



Mountain Views-Observer

“Upside Down..” Dorn-Platz Attorney Tells Court Projects Have More Debt Than Value

By Susan Henderson

The attorney representing developer Dorn-Platz told a Los Angeles Superior Court Judge last week that both the One Carter and Stonehouse developments had more debt than they are worth. “The projects are upside down, so what are they foreclosing on?”, asked Attorney John Schock. His comments were in reference to the initial objection of Sierra Madre Investors, LLC and Castlegrace Investors to the Preliminary Injunction filed by Dorn Platz. The request was filed to prevent the investors from foreclosing on both One Carter and Stonehouse properties. The judge granted Dorn-Platz’s motion and scheduled a hearing for a more permanent injunction in August. Dorn-Platz was required to post a \$50,000 bond with the court.

A Band Aid On A Hemorrhage

Although the court gave Dorn-Platz a temporary stay on the sale of the membership interests, at least one other foreclosure, and numerous defaults and lawsuits still wait in the wings.

Victor Sahn, attorney representing the investors seeking foreclosure, informed the court that later the same day, there would be a meeting between his clients, Dorn-Platz and Capital Source Funding in an attempt to protect not only the interest of the investors who have contributed more than \$4.4 million dollars to One Carter and Stonehouse, but also the interests of the finance company who has loaned a total of \$38 million dollars to the projects. In addition, the issue of management control of the projects was to be determined.

Last month, Sierra Madre Investors, LLC met to remove Greg Galletly and Dorn Platz as the project manager. According to agreements that Galletly says are no longer valid, the investors have the right to remove the designated manager. Sierra Madre Investors, LLC currently owns 62.8% of One Carter, LLC.

Further, on June 6, 2008, according to Attorney Richard Walsh, whose firm represents Capital Source Funding, one hundred percent of the membership interests in the projects will be sold at public auction. The original date for the sale was postponed from May 7th so that all could meet and discuss alternatives to foreclosure. The finance company is foreclosing because of defaults on interest payments in excess of \$400,000.

Sierra Madre Also Defaults One Carter Project

On April 28, 2008, City Attorney Sandra Levin filed a “Notice Of Default and Notice of Intent of the City to Cause the Forfeiture of Deferred Public Improvement Bonds”, with yet another entity involved with the project, WL Sierra Madre Associates, and Bond Safeguard, Inc. Bond Safeguard issued performance bonds in excess of \$2.6 million to the City of Sierra Madre on behalf of Dorn-Platz. (See chart on page 3) The city required the bonds to cover costs of associated with the project that Sierra Madre would be liable for should the developer default.

In Levin’s letter, she cites a long list of deficiencies created by the developer on the One Carter project including:

1. The ‘canceled’ status of the corporate status of WL Sierra Madre Associates and its’ right to transact business in California. She also noted that several other entities involved are classified by the California Secretary of State as having “ceased good standing” due to outstanding tax obligations. (WL Sierra Madre Associates assumed One Carter, LLC’s interest in June, 2007.)
2. The grading and construction has been halted and the equipment has been removed.
3. No reliable or accurate construction or grading schedule has been submitted as required by the agreement.
4. The LA Regional Water Quality Control Board issued a Notice of Violation and calls to Dorn Platz by them have not been returned. The notice says that “The National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System General Permit For Storm Water Discharges Associated With Construction Activity”, has been violated at the project.
5. The arborist required by the city to monitor grading has ceased to work has not be replaced.
6. At least two sub contractors/consultants have not been paid and are seeking recourse through the bonds.
7. The grading is partially completed and is damaged by rainfall and erosion. (cont. pg. 3)

Sierra Madre Civic Club Awards Education Grants



Civic Club Scholarships were given out Thursday night to: Front Row (L-R) Pablo Garcia, Mireya Perez, Caitlin Skelly, Andrew Pirrone Rear (L- R) Ellen O’Connor, Katie Merrill, Dalia Copti, Simone Lovano, Brittany Banis Not pictured are Jenna Coyne and Kara-Leigh Huse
Photo by Bill Coburn

By Bill Coburn

At its meeting on Thursday, the Sierra Madre Civic Club announced the recipients of its “Education Award 2008”, a main philanthropy for the group. Only high school seniors are eligible for the grants, given conditionally on one of the following; that the senior be a resident of Sierra Madre, has a relative who is a member of Civic Club, or has worked in Sierra Madre for the last twelve months or has a parent who works in Sierra Madre.

Key points about each student considered by the Awards Committee include: volunteer activities, interests, talents, hobbies, accomplishments or recognition, plus educational or career plans.

Two letters of reference - one from a teacher or school administrator and one from an adult leader in the applicant’s volunteer activity or an employer – were also required for the consideration of the Education Awards Committee, chaired by Amy Putnam.

Selected to receive awards this year were: Brittany Banis, Dalia Copti, Jenna Coyne, Pablo Garcia, Kara-Leigh

Huse, Simone Lovano, Katie Merrill, Ellen O’ Connor, Mireya Perez, Andrew Pirrone, and Caitlin Skelly.

Brittany Banis attends Mayfield Senior High, and plans to attend UCSD. Dalia Copti attends Maranatha High School, and will be going to San Diego State. Jenna Coyne attends Paul VI High School in Audobon, NJ, and plans to go to Catholic University in Washington, D.C. Pablo Garcia, a Duarte High School senior, will be attending Cal Poly Pomona, La Salle’s Kara-Leigh Huse will “fight on” at USC, and Simone Lovano will be traveling east to Rutgers after also graduating from La Salle High School. When Katie Merrill graduates from PHS, she’ll be applying her grant towards her studies at Bryn Mawr. Ellen O’Connor, who attends Alverno High School, will be attending UC Berkeley in the fall. Mireya Perez will graduate from Arcadia High School, and after attending community college at first, plans to complete her studies at either Berkeley or UCLA. Andrew Pirrone, who, with Merrill, also attends PHS, will be joining Garcia at Cal Poly Pomona. And Caitlin Skelly will head up to the Bay area to attend San Francisco State University.

TAKING CARE OF BUSINESS

Sierra Madre’s Senior Commission Chair, Nancy Walsh (center) recently applied to Los Angeles County to have the Sierra Madre Senior Center included on the list of agencies eligible to receive donations from the County. The goal was to use or recycle donations with the goal of generating revenue to support senior programs and services.

Upon approval, the commission began to receive notices of available donations from the County.

Two Commission activities have generated over \$280 in the last month. In addition to recycling toner cartridges, they participated in the Girls Softball Association’s Fun Day at Sierra Vista Park on Sunday, May 4. They sold mesh sports bags, Teen Titan children’s hampers, and Teen Titan table and chairs.

This is a new venture and adventure for the Senior Community Commission and they plan to continue to search for new and innovative ways to generate revenue for the senior community of Sierra Madre.



WEEKLY FARMERS MARKET COMES TO SIERRA MADRE

Starting on May 21st, Sierra Madre will be holding a certified farmers market every Wednesday between the hours of 3pm and 7pm in the public parking lot on Mariposa Avenue, just south of Sierra Madre Blvd. between S. Baldwin and S. Hermosa Avenues.

The farmers market will offer a variety of vegetables and seasonal fruits from California family farms. There will also be a selection of freshly made specialty foods, such as vegetarian and vegan dishes, ethnic food and hot food prepared at the market.

Everything you’ll find at the farmers market has been made or picked fresh, is pesticide-free and preservative-free, so you can make the healthiest eating choices possible.

The farmers market is a project of the Sierra Madre Community Services Commission. The market is sponsored and operated by Scholastic Gardens, a non-profit organization.

For more information, call (310) 633-3966 or (626) 355-5278.

MEMORIAL PARK STABBING TRIAL OVER

Defendents Sentenced To State Prison

By Susan Henderson

Nearly two years after the vicious stabbing of a Sierra Madre teen in Memorial Park, the perpetrators were found guilty and sentenced to State Prison. Sierra Madre resident, Ryan Swender, 18 at the time of the attack, Marvin Chang, then 19 and Richfield Chang, now 25, stood before Superior Court Judge Leslie Brown in late April and entered pleas on ‘no contest’. Judge Brown then found each defendant guilty of the charge of assault with a deadly weapon.

The pleas came after 9 days of trial testimony from witnesses who told the story of how an innocent teen was attacked by Marvin and Richfield Chang at the behest of Swender. Deputy District Attorney Garrett Worchell brought the matter to trial after months of delay.

According to testimony, as a result of an argument with another teen that many

speculate was over drugs, Swender called and visited the Changs and arranged for them to come to Sierra Madre to, “kick the ass of every teen in the park.” The victim, who had come to the park at the invitation of friends, was not involved in the initial argument, nor did he know the Changs. However, witnesses revealed that the person who invited the victim to the park was anticipating a confrontation between Swender and another teen.

A key witness from Pasadena, Dane Ensley, who was also 18 at the time of the incident, was granted immunity in exchange for his testimony. According to Ensley, Swender orchestrated the attack but did not know that a stabbing would occur.

All three defendants were charged with Attempted Murder, Assault With A Deadly Weapon and various battery charges. The plea

agreement, however, dropped all charges except the Assault charge.

Most of the witnesses were minors ranging in age from 14 to 17 at the time of the attack. Their names, although often mentioned during the preliminary hearing and trial, will not appear in this paper.

Ryan Swender, whose family originally posted a \$1 million bond, was sentenced to 3 years in state prison. He will serve 336 actual days with credit for time served and good behavior. Richfield Chang was given the most severe sentence. He was sentenced to 3 years for the assault and an additional 3 years for a prior felony and an additional 5 years for habitual criminal behavior for a total of 11 years in state prison. Marvin Chang was sentenced to 4 years for the assault and an additional enhancement of 3 years for the personal infliction of great bodily harm. His total sentence is 7 years in state prison. Ironically, both Changs, who are not related, were recommended to participate in the state’s fire line program.

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Forecasts courtesy of the National Weather Service



Sierra Madre Friends of the Library Art Fair Features Foxlo Pottery

Save the date! About 100 of internationally and locally known artists will display their Fine Art at the 46th Annual Sierra Madre Art Fair, Memorial Park, 222 W. Sierra Madre Blvd., Sierra Madre, on Sat. May 17th, 9:30 am to 6:00pm, and Sun. May 18th, 9:30 am to 5:30 pm.

This year's featured artists are Fox and Lois Garney from Cambria, CA. "Everything in nature has the potential to inspire" is the quote from Foxlo Pottery, and is certainly exhibited in their unique works. Fox and Lois have been collaborating on ceramic pieces since 1972, where they met in the Ceramics Dept. at San Jose State University. Their lovely pottery is turned on the potter's wheel, and then hand-carved in a variety of techniques. Inspired by natural surroundings, their botanical-themed works are exhibited throughout California and Arizona.

Other art mediums represented this year are jewelry, weaving, hand-painted silks, glass, acrylics, metal art, textiles, gourds, and Bonsai. About 80% are popular artists returning from previous years. Artist recruitment begins early in Fall, and each artist is carefully selected by Chairperson Sharon Murphy to bring intriguing and creative works from all over California, Arizona, and Oregon.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 Senior Community Commission 3:00 p.m. Planning Commission. 7:30 p.m., both in Council Chambers	2 Art Show Opens In City Hall Family Movie Friday Kersting Court 7:30 p.m.	
5 Summer Adult Softball Registration Begins Author's Night - Stephen J. Cannell Sierra Madre Playhouse. 7:00 p.m.	6 City Council Meeting Council Chambers 6:30 p.m.	14 Community Arts Commission Council Chambers 6:30 p.m.	9 Travelers' & Collectors Council Chambers 7:30 p.m.	 15 "Third Thursday" Book Club. Library 11:00 & 7:00 Planning Commission Council Chambers 6:30 p.m.	10 Lifeguard Training Begins	16 Family Movie Friday. Kersting Court 7:30 p.m.
12 Community Services Commission Council Chambers. 6:30 p.m.	13 13-14. AARP Senior Driving Safety Program	 21 Tree Advisory Commission Council Chambers. 7:00 p.m.	17 SMVFA Pancake Breakfast	23 Mount Wilson Trail Race Pasta Feed Kersting Court. 6:00 p.m.	24 Mount Wilson Trail Race & HFF Kids Fun Run. Kersting Court. 7:00 a.m.	31 Swim Test Day Aquatic Center 12:00 Noon
18 17-18 Friends of the Library Art Fair 	19 Author at the Library. 7:00 p.m. 	27 City Council Meeting. Council Chmbers. 6:30 p.m.	28 Library Board of Trustees. City Conference Room 7:00 p.m.	30 Family Movie Friday. Kersting Court. 7:30 p.m. 		

Two local Sierra Madre artists will feature their art: Myra Epstein brings vibrant colors to still-life watercolors that range from reflections on the English countryside to the ethnic diversity of southern California; and Carolyn Gravatte captures local village scenes and landscapes in oil on canvas. Visit newcomer Barbara Carter's booth to learn about her 'neo-pointillism' paintings and be wowed! Also new this year is Stephen Johnstone's edgy and fun photography, and oil impressions by Paul Chamberlain.

Enjoy lively music onstage from Jazz to dolcimer while savoring food court offerings from Baja Grill, Robin's restaurant, Holly's BBQ, Hawaiian shaved ice, and Sierra Madre's own old-fashioned lemonade, and many others.

Sponsored by the Sierra Madre Friends of the Library, this important fundraiser directly supports library services, programs, and building and grounds improvements.

For more information contact Sharon Murphy (626) 355-3997, or go to www.sierramadreartfair.com.

City Council Questions Answered

Do you have a question regarding an item on an upcoming City Council agenda? Do you have any questions regarding City services? While you can always call City Hall and get an answer to your question, we're providing another, convenient opportunity to get your questions answered.

Beginning on Monday, May 12th, from 9 am to 10 am, the City Manager and Department Heads will be standing by, available at City Hall to answer any questions you may have regarding City Council agenda items, items on the warrant register, or city services in general. You do not need to make an appointment - just drop by anytime between 9 am and 10 am on May 12th. A complete list of dates and times is shown at the bottom of this page.

Please remember that anyone can call City Hall, at (626) 355-7135, to get their questions answered, and appointments are also available. If you prefer to just drop by, future office hours are:

Monday, May 12th, from 9 am to 10 am
Tuesday, May 27th, from 9 am to 10 am
Monday, June 9th, from 9 am to 10 am
Monday, June 23rd, from 9 am to 10 am

If you have any questions, please call City Hall at (626) 355-7135.

Position Open Police Department Dispatcher

CITY OF SIERRA MADRE CALIFORNIA Invites applications for Sierra Madre Police Department DISPATCHER \$32,273 - \$41,213 \$33,744 - \$43,067 after July 1, 2008

CalPERS 2.5% @ 55 Application Deadline: 4:00 p.m. Thursday, May 29, 2008

Position Under direct supervision of a Police Sergeant or Watch Commander, receives and transmits routine and emergency telephone and voice radio messages, dispatches equipment and personnel; receives and transmits teletypes for related computer systems. Provides clerical/secretarial support for the Police Chief and the Police Department on a shift basis. The position requires the ability to work any shift within a 24 hour day.

For more information please visit www.cityofsierramadres.com or call 626-355-7135

Changes To Swim Schedule

The Sierra Madre Aquatics Center is changing to a new one-week swim lesson schedule. Rather than daily 30-minute lessons for two weeks, the swim classes will be extended to 45 minutes, still satisfying all American Red Cross requirements. There will be 11 separate swim sessions starting June 16 and running through August 29. The cost for the new 45 minute, one week swim lesson is \$35.00.

Mail-in only registration will begin Monday, June 2. Online registration will be accepted Tuesday, June 10 and walk-in registrations will be accepted Monday, June 16. Complete class details can be found in the summer edition of the Wistaria Vine: Community Brochure and Newsletter, scheduled to be mailed to all residents mid-May. The Wistaria Vine will also be posted online at www.cityofsierramadre.com, and available at the Community Recreation Center, City Hall, Public Library, Hart Park House, and Chamber of Commerce.

Don't know what level to register your child for? Come to our FREE SWIM TEST DAY

Saturday, May 31, 12noon - 3:00 pm

611 E. Sierra Madre Blvd. Sierra Madre, CA 91024

Certified instructions will be available to test skills and make class placement suggestions

For more information, please call the Community and Personnel Services Department at 626-355-5278.

Home Protection, Mudslide Awareness and Flood Preparation for Sierra Madre Residents

As you know, in California, wildfires are generally followed by mudslides and flooding when the rainy season arrives. Now is the time to begin rainy season preparations, if you live adjacent to or near the burn area.

Representatives of the Los Angeles County Department of Public Works will be visiting Sierra Madre residents and providing advice on home protection and mudslide awareness. Please make use of the free advice provided; County staff has a great deal of experience in dealing with the aftermath of fires.

The County also provides on-line advice at: <http://www.ladpw.org/wmd/HomeOwners/intro.cfm>

The Sierra Madre Public Works Department has begun its preparations for the rainy season already, and advises resident to do

the same.

It's not too soon - don't wait 'til it's too late!

If you live outside the areas that may be effected by mudslides, are of able body, and would like to sign up in advance to assist in sandbag placement and other storm relief activities, please contact Suzi McConnell or James Carlson of the Sierra Madre Public Works Department at 626.355.7135

We are forming the Sierra Madre Volunteer Sandbag Corps.

Remember- Protect yourself and your property.

Prepare well in advance.

Do not rely solely on the City, as our limited resources will likely be overwhelmed.

For more information, please contact the Community & Personnel Services Department at 626-355-5278.

Santa Anita Fire Fund Accepting Donations

A Santa Anita Fire Fund has been set up with the Sierra Madre Community Foundation to help the City pay for the cost of fighting the Santa Anita Fire. If you would like to donate, you can download the attached form and mail it with your donation to:

SIERRA MADRE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION
PO Box 716, Sierra Madre, CA 91025

Checks should be made out to SMCF/CCF with "Santa Anita Fire Fund" in the memo.

The Sierra Madre Community Foundation is an affiliate of the California Community Foundation, a non profit charitable corporation. All donations are tax-deductible as allowable by law.

Fourth of July Parade Grand Marshal Sought

Sierra Madre Fourth of July Committee is looking for candidates to serve as the Grand Marshal for the 2008 Fourth of July Parade. This year's parade will be held on Friday, July 4, according to Matt Bosse, Fourth of July Committee Chairman.

Candidates for the Parade Grand Marshal should echo the spirit of Sierra Madre and should be active volunteers in any of the local nonprofit organizations in Sierra Madre.

Nominations should be sent to: The Fourth of July Committee, P.O. Box 1073, Sierra Madre 91025 or via e-mail to matthewbosse@hotmail.com by Monday, June 2nd.

The Parade begins at 10 a.m. at Sierra Madre

Bldv. and Sunnyside, progressing east to Sierra Vista Park until about 11:30 a.m. At that time Memorial Park, on the west side of town, will be filled with nonprofit food booths and the Beer Garden will be open for business.

Chairman Bosse reminds residents that the event kicks off at Memorial Park beginning 6 pm on July 3rd with the band Aluminum Marshmallow and continuing with the Night Bloomin' Jazzmen playing under the large shade tree from noon to about 4 p.m. on July 4th - children's games will take place also on the south lawn of Memorial Park. Food booths and the Beer Garden will be open both the evening of July 3rd and after the parade on July 4th.

LOCAL AUTHOR NIGHT AT THE SIERRA MADRE LIBRARY

WHAT: Author and Sierra Madrean Tim Potter will discuss and sign his new novel, The Lost Boys: A Parochial Novel of the Vietnam Generation, on Monday, May 19, at 7:00 p.m. at the Sierra Madre Public Library. Ten years in the making, the book is a fictionalized memoir of a group of veterans who struggle to come to terms with the war and find stability and meaning for their lives in a largely hostile post-war America. Sponsored by the Friends of the Sierra Madre Library.

WHEN: Monday, May 19, at 7:00 p.m.

WHERE: The Sierra Madre Public Library, 440 West Sierra Madre Boulevard, Sierra Madre 91024. For further information, visit the Library's web site at www.sierramadre.lib.ca.us or call (626) 355-7186.

Friends of the Library Bargain Books Table

WHAT: The Friends of the Sierra Madre Library will have a Bargain Books Table Sale inside the Library during the Library's public open hours. Featured titles will include Fiction, Health, Nature, and Specialty books. All books are in good condition and will be sold at the bargain price of \$1.00.

WHEN: Monday, May 12 - Saturday, May 17, 2008

WHERE: The Sierra Madre Public Library, located at 440 West Sierra Madre Boulevard in Sierra Madre, is open Monday through Wednesday from Noon to 9 p.m., Thursday and Friday from Noon to 6 p.m., and Saturday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. For further information on programs and services please visit the Library's web site at www.sierramadre.lib.ca.us or call (626) 355-7186.

WHY: These every-other-month book sales sponsored by The Friends help provide funding for Library resources and programs.

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Mount Wilson Trail Race Celebrates its 100th Anniversary!

Time & Place

Saturday, May 24, 2008 at 7:30 am sharp. Check-in time is from 6:00 am to 7:15 am. The race concludes at 10:30 am. The Trail Race begins and ends in the center of Sierra Madre, California, at Kersting Court, the corner of Sierra Madre Blvd and Baldwin Ave.

Course

The 8.6 mile race starts on pavement, uphill, to a dirt path no more than 3 feet wide. It features an elevation gain of over 2,100 feet; approximately 4.3 miles to the turnaround point at Orchard Champ. Most of the race takes place on the Mount Wilson Trail, where some section have vertical drop-offs of several hundred feet. Emergency support is stationed at strategic points along the course to give any necessary aid. Boy and Cub Scout Troops provide water at two locations: the 2.3-mile marker and the turnaround point.

History

The Mount Wilson Trail Race is the second oldest Trail Race in California; first held in 1908 when runners raced to Mount Wilson, rested 1/2 hour, then raced back down. Only a handful of intrepid runners dared to attempt such a grueling test. The race was held sporadically from the first year until the late 1940s and early 1950s when it was abandoned completely. In autumn of 1965 it was revived and has grown over the years to its present format. Organized by a volunteer committee, the current race is 8.6 miles in length. The exact course has changed by erosion, fires, and earthquakes. For this reason no official record is recognized. Since the revival in the 1960s, today's course is considered the most difficult.



New this Year - Family Awards!

Team up with your favorite family member or your entire family for our newest category of racers. Times will be combined and we'll see if the Smiths can keep up with the Jones!

Pre-registration and Pasta Load Party!

Pick up your race number and t-shirt early on Friday, May 23 at Kersting Court and enjoy a great pasta dinner from Cafe 322 of Sierra Madre! From 6:00-8:00 pm, there'll be salad, bread and two kinds of pasta from just \$6.75. Cafe 322 will donate a portion from each dinner served to Sierra Madre Search & Rescue Team. Runners and non-runners alike are welcome!



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- Community Services • Planning • Senior Community

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For more information please call (626) 355-7135

The Mountain Clymer



By Kim Clymer-Kelley

Hope for the Seventh Generation

“With children we always have to think about seven generations to come but yet unborn.”

--Janice Sundown Hattet, SENECA

What we do today will effect the children seven generations from now. How we treat the Mother Earth will affect the children yet to be born. If we poison the water today, our children's children will be affected by the decision we made. Our children are the gateway to the future. Let us conscientiously think about the children and the seven generations to come.



Some of you out there may not yet be aware of the proposal that our governor has come up with to close his 14.5 billion dollar budget gap. Its impact really hit home this past week as I camped with my son in Montana de Oro State Park. I had heard of the deficit and that the schools and the state park system were targeted , but had not read the exact details. I was made aware of the them by a couple of women, Betty and Eve from Pasadena, who we camped next to and shared a campfire with last Wednesday night. I have spent many peaceful evenings over the last few years in this lovely campground on the coast near San Luis Obispo...it is one of my favorites. I was stunned to find out that it is one of 48 parks that will be closed should these budget cuts get passed.

There is a disturbing trend in this country...one that is short-sighted and puts the future of this generation and future generations in great peril...the effects of which can be clearly seen in the generation of children now in our schools. The large majority of these children have been raised in an environment that has not allowed them to establish a connection to nature. They spend most of their time indoors in a man-made environment. The results of studies on the seriousness of the effects of this are just now being brought to light and the consequences of the effects on our world are yet to be seen. These studies have concluded that a disconnectedness

to nature leads to the creation of unhappy, self-centered, uncaring people with a lack of concern for any environmental issues. This, coupled with a failing educational system that will undoubtedly suffer greatly from its latest round of proposed budget cuts, will produce an ignorant, apathetic, despondent and selfish people who will be running the country at a time when it will be vital to have passionate and progressive leaders who can inspire dynamic changes in how we care for our environment. It is not the time to be taking any kind of action that will further add to the decline of our educational system and make it nearly impossible to expose our children to the immense benefits of establishing a respect and love for our planet and all living things. These proposed budget cuts are sure to further exasperate the problem and will certainly make the challenges that we face today even more difficult. It is time to look at the big picture and to determine what kind of people it will take to rise to meet these challenges and how we can best foster the development of such a populous. If we do not do so, the future is bleak.

California has always been a leader in concern for the environment. It has been a culture of “the great outdoors”. It

is part of our identity as Californians. The nation has always looked to us for leadership in this area...we have been the trend setters and innovators. This is not the time to take a step back, but rather a time to step forward and step up to the plate. It is bad enough that the federal government has cut off access to hundreds if not thousands of square miles of the National Parks and Forests and has allowed corporate greed to desecrate our wilderness, but now this state will be denying its citizens access to their own public land and access to those places that can teach, impassion, and heal our children. This cannot be allowed to happen. I urge you all to visit: <http://www.environmentalcalifornia.org/action/preservation/state-parks?id4=TAfsent> and voice your opposition to the state park closures and to cuts in the education budget...for our children, our children's children and for the seventh generation from now.

An Evening In Brazil For The Price Of Dinner

Eric Byak's soft Brazilian Jazz fusion Saturday nights at Lozano

By Chris Bertrand

The strings of Eric Byak's sweet, soft guitar will transport your next Saturday evening dinner at Sierra Madre's Lozano Restaurant into a real night away from it all. You can whet your musical appetite for his style of Brazilian Jazz fusion with a quick visit to EricByakMusic.com where you can listen to tracks from a recent CD, “Journey from the Heart.” Lozano Restaurant, self proclaimed as “Southern California's hidden fine dining destination” has been delivering sophisticated dining in this eclectic hamlet since 1981, with a bent toward Regional California cuisine.

This welcome addition to the musical menu for Sierra Madre just adds to the wide variety of tunes and styles that can be heard from nearly every eatery in town on most weekend evenings. They include Bean Town just across the street from Lozano, Café 322, Charcuterie's outdoor venue, and Sierra Madre Books where there's no food, just great reading and regular live music.

Byak is known for his smooth guitar style, a perfect adjunct to make dinner out a special event, yet not so intrusive as to exclude any conversation at the dinner table. With 30 years of music under his belt, Byak seems to do it all. While teaching aspiring guitarists right here in Sierra Madre (as well as on the West side), he utilizes facilities at Bethany School and Church, where he also is one of their church service musicians. Tom Brady, of Sierra Madre's Destination Group commented, “Eric is an obvious talent who blends smooth jazz rhythms with a fresh Brazilian style. We always enjoy listening to his soundtracks and new songs. His talent and improvisation skills allow him to relate to and teach both adults and children, like my daughter Kathleen and her friends.”

Byak comments that his composition and arranging skills plus extensive experience in the LA music industry, with credits on commercials and television shows, allow him to hear tracks of his student's newest music choices, and help them to learn the style and pieces on the spot. “It really keeps me current on the latest music, when my students bring in tracks, and ask to learn the style or the tune!”

Eric Byak and Lozano's invite you to sample their combined menu offerings on your next Saturday night out between 7:30 and 10 p.m. beginning May17th. Restaurant Lozano is located at 44 N. Baldwin in Sierra Madre. For reservations, call 626-355-5945 or visit LozanoRestaurant.com.

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The emphasis will be an education approach by law enforcement officers on the importance of stopping for pedestrians in a crosswalk.

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Sierra Madre Police Blotter

During the week of Sunday, April 27th, to Saturday May 3rd, the Sierra Madre Police Department responded to approximately 193 calls for service.


Sunday, April 27th:
6:39 AM – Residential burglary, 300 block E. Sierra Madre Blvd. The suspect(s) entered the home through the back door. There were no signs of forced entry. The crime occurred between 12:30 am and 6:30 am Sunday, 4/27. The loss included of a Samsung Blue Ray Disc Player & a 52” Sharp television. The value was estimated at \$3700.00.
5:23 AM – Arrest, 200 block E. Sierra Madre Blvd. A fight between two drivers led to both being arrested. A female driver was arrested for battery and the male driver was arrested for possession of cocaine. His passenger was arrested for two outstanding warrants. All parties were transported to the Pasadena Jail for remand.

Tuesday, April 29th:
2:54 AM – Arrest, Foothill Blvd and Rosemead Blvd. A motorist was arrested for being under the influence of a controlled substance. He was transported to the Pasadena Jail for remand.

Wednesday, April 30th:
10:13 PM – Arrest, Michillinda Ave and Sierra Madre Blvd. A car was stopped for a minor traffic violation. A records check revealed the driver's license was suspended/revoked. The driver was arrested and released on a written promise to appear.

11:52 PM – Arrest, 100 block S. Michillinda Ave. A car was stopped for speeding. A records check revealed his license was suspended/revoked. The Pasadena resident was issued a citation and released on a written promise to appear for driving on a suspended driver's license.

Thursday, May 1st:
6:51 AM – Auto burglary, 100 block E. Highland Ave. The suspect(s) smashed the passenger window of a car and took the owner's purse, driver's license and \$300.00 cash. The crime occurred between 8:00 pm Wednesday, 4/30 and 6:30 am Thursday, 5/1.
9:33 AM – Attempted residential burglary, 100 block Coburn Ave. Several glass louvers were removed from the living room window. The crime occurred between 8:00 pm Friday, 4/25 and 8:45 am Thursday, 5/1.
Friday, May 2nd:
8:43 AM – Residential burglary, 200 block East Orange Grove Ave. The bathroom window was broken and the suspect(s) entered the home and ransacked the master bedroom. The crime occurred between 9:00 am and 9:30 pm Thursday, 5/1. There was no loss.
9:04 PM – Arrest, 3800 block Arboleda Ave, Pasadena. A motorist was stopped for speeding. A records check revealed his license was suspended/revoked. The Montclair resident was issued a citation for speeding and released in the field on a written promise to appear for driving on a suspended driver's license.



Environmentally Speaking,

Did You Know

The Plight Of the Honeybee

By Pat Birdsall

In the past two years, nearly one-third of America's honeybees have vanished. They started mysteriously abandoning their hives, never to return. Farmers—many of whom rely on the pollinator to help their crops grow—are understandably worried, as are scientists, who fear the honeybee may be a modern-day canary in a coal mine. Although the bee die-off, also known as colony collapse disorder, continues to alarm and puzzle scientists and beekeepers. Experts hypothesize that the likely culprits are pesticides, mites, dwindling food supply, and a new virus that appears to target the bees' immune system.

We rely on honey bees for one-third of our food supply, so when honey bees are in danger, we're all in danger. They are truly airborne heroes. They are responsible for the pollination of more than 100 crops, including fruits, vegetables, nuts and seeds, and provide 80% of the country's pollination services. In dollars and cents, the honey bee is responsible for \$15 billion in U.S. agricultural crops each year. They need our help...

What you can do in your own backyard...

Replace some of your lawn with flower beds. Plant native plant species, which are suited for local bee populations. (pollinator.org) Reduce or eliminate pesticides and insecticides in the garden whenever possible.

(organicgardening.com) Choose plants that flower at various stages in the growing season to provide a consistent source of food for pollinators. For a free packet of bee-friendly flower seeds, visit burtsbees.com. Bee pollination is essential for 40% of the ingredients in a product we all know and love. Haagen-Dazs ice cream. They are contributing in a big way to help our communities bring them back. Check out (helpehoneybees.com), to see how.

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Fire Safe Council Meeting Reviews The Past, The Present and The Future

On Monday, May 5th, Sierra Madre Fire Marshall, Rich Snyder along with Mike Kinney of the Fire Safe Council, spoke to a packed crowd in the City Council Chambers regarding the recent Santa Anita Fire, its' current status and what residents can expect in the days to come. In addition to Kinney



Fire Safe Council Member Caroline Brown addresses the audience Photo by S. Henderson and Snyder, Fire Chief Steve Heydorf, and Police Chief Marilyn Diaz were also on hand to discuss the recent wildfire and its' aftermath. Residents of Oakcrest and Deodor made a special presentation to the Fire Department in appreciation of their efforts in saving lives and homes while fighting the fire.

Prepare Now for Mudslides & Flooding
A Message From Sierra Madre Public Works
As you know, in California, wildfires are generally followed by mudslides and flooding when the rainy season arrives. Now is the time to begin rainy season preparations, if you live adjacent to or near the burn area.

Representatives of the LA County Department of Public Works will be visiting Sierra Madre residents and providing advice on home protection and mudslide awareness. Please make use of the free advice provided; County staff has a great deal of experience in dealing with the aftermath of fires.

The County also provides on-line advice at: <http://www.ladpw.org/wmd/HomeOwners/intro.cfm>

The SM Public Works Department has begun its preparations for the rainy season already, and advises resident to do the same.

It's not too soon - don't wait 'til it's too late! If you live outside the areas that may be effected by mudslides, are of able body, and would like to sign up in advance to assist in sandbag placement and other storm relief activities, please contact Suzi McConnell or James Carlson of SM at 626.355.7135. We are forming the Sierra Madre Volunteer Sandbag Corps.

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2008 LARA Environmental Awards Bestowed Upon Sierra Madre Schools, Businesses and Organizations



Illiana Lalli of Cafe 322, Albert Metzger, Midge Morash and Pat Birdsall of SMEAC, Council Member Joe Mosca, James Carlson of Public Works, and Armen Khourdajian of Mailbox and Postal at the recent San Gabriel Valley Environmental Awards Luncheon.

Story and Photo By Bill Coburn

On Tuesday, May 6th, six Sierra Madre organizations were recognized at the San Gabriel Valley Environmental Awards, sponsored by the Los Angeles Regional Agency (LARA). According to James Carlson with SM Public Works Dept., the City is a member of LARA. The membership is paid for by Athens, who provides the City's waste disposal services. Carlson said that AB 939 requires all Cities to divert fifty percent of their solid fills from landfills. By virtue of its membership in LARA, the City is able to pool/average its numbers so that if in some months they don't quite reach the required fifty percent, they won't incur penalties. Another benefit is shared funding to put on educational showcases and joint events, as well as an opportunity for City staffers to discuss and consult about ways to handle problems, or share success stories for possible implementation. There are sixteen member Cities in LARA, including four San Gabriel Valley cities, Pomona, Sierra Madre, Duarte and Rosemead.

In the education category, both Sierra Madre School and Sierra Madre Community Nursery School (SMCNS) were recognized. At Sierra Madre School, parent volunteer Susan Hoskins and the "Sierra Madre School's Green Team" have contributed to source reduction, recycling, and an enormous amount of education to our school age children in the topic of environmental stewardship. The "Green Team" has just scheduled the first "Waste Less" school dance, and has accomplished a Bottles & Cans recycling program, "Cancel Catalogs for Earth Day" drive, a zero-waste auction fundraiser, and hosted a free E-Waste collection event May 3rd and 4th.

SMCNS was recognized for its continuing effort to create a community of environmental stewards in pre-school children. It hosted a Los Angeles County composting workshop as well as a "Families Helping Families Go Green" workshop. Waste Less Living specializes in zero-waste party and composting services. Waste Less Living not only offers compostable tableware like plates, cups and utensils made from sugar and corn but also arranges for the pick-up and removal of the discarded waste items and food scraps generated from various types of events. Parent volunteers who were singled out at the awards were Lisa Lewis & Christine Lench-Hinkel, Lewis for her work with composting, and Lench-Hinkel, who is founder of Waste Less Living.

E. Waldo Ward and Son was recognized in the Commercial Manufacturing/Production category. Sierra Madre's oldest business is leading the way into the "Green" future by maintaining a policy of environmental stewardship. They have several large recycling containers which capture co-mingled recyclables derived from their site. Currently they are recycling at a 75% rate. A

majority of these recycled materials are glass, plastics, and paper, which has a substantial effect on diversion efforts.

In the Commercial / Non-Profit category, recognition was given to three Sierra Madre businesses/organizations: Café 322, Mailbox & Postal, and the Sierra Madre Environmental Action Council. According to LARA's Executive Director, Karen Coca, who hosted the awards luncheon, "Small businesses like Café 322 in Sierra Madre set the example for other small businesses to follow." Café 322 pays for a separate recycling dumpster, with pickup twice a week. The dumpster is filled with plastic, foil, bottles, cans, paper and cardboard, and the recycler processes the recyclables at a Materials Recovery Facility. Café 322 also contracts for a 50-gallon barrel so that they can recycle kitchen grease. The recycler collects the barrel every two months or so for a small fee.

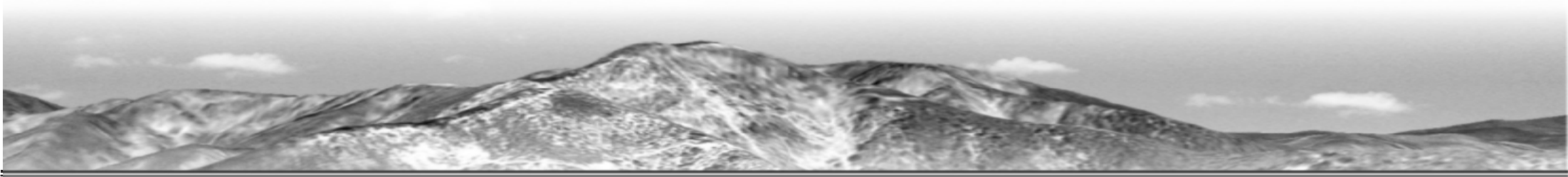
Café 322 supports a citizen-based advocacy group called Environment California with a monthly donation of \$75.00 to promote environmental protection. They buy recycled paper, paper towels, and bathroom tissue, and they try to conserve water by offering water to guests, which they can either accept or deny.

Mailbox & Postal participates in the Green Earth recycling program designed to help reduce pollution and they also developed protocols to reduce excess bubble wrap and "peanuts" that are used in packaging. Through the efforts of owner Armen Khourdajian, residents and businesses are encouraged to bring their packaging materials to Mailbox and Postal for reuse.

The Sierra Madre Environmental Action Council (SMEAC) was formed in 1971. SMEAC has been very active in the community, educating the public on all topics concerning environmental stewardship with a newsletter and articles in local papers. The dedicated group of volunteers organizes clean-up days for the community's Bailey Canyon Park, ensuring that green waste is not disposed of in a landfill. Each year, SMEAC organizes and conducts, on one of the trails above Bailey Canyon Park, a nature awareness program for all third grade students in Sierra Madre.

Non-Sierra Madre organizations recognized at the luncheon included the Duarte Unified School District, Ganesha High School, and the Rosemead School District in the Education Category. In the Commercial / Manufacturing Production category, Halax Corporation, Royal Cabinets, Vertis, and Pregis Corporation were singled out. And in the Commercial / Non-Profit category, Beacon Property Management, Cal Poly Pomona, Panda Restaurant Group, Cal Poly Pomona, Lanterman Development Center, City of Hope, In-n-Out, and Pomona Valley Hospital received awards.

Fittingly, the award presented to each winner was made of recycled glass.



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\$38 Million Up In Smoke

By Dean Lee

With 65 percent of all electricity in Pasadena being coal generated city officials warned late last month that they need to act now before cost skyrocket in order to reduce emissions levels 25 percent by 2020 complying with Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger's "Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006," known as AB 32.

The law requires that by 2020 the state's greenhouse gas emissions be reduced to 1990 levels. New regulations would apply to all sectors of the economy including electricity generation and natural gas as well as Transpiration. It would also apply to the construction industry.

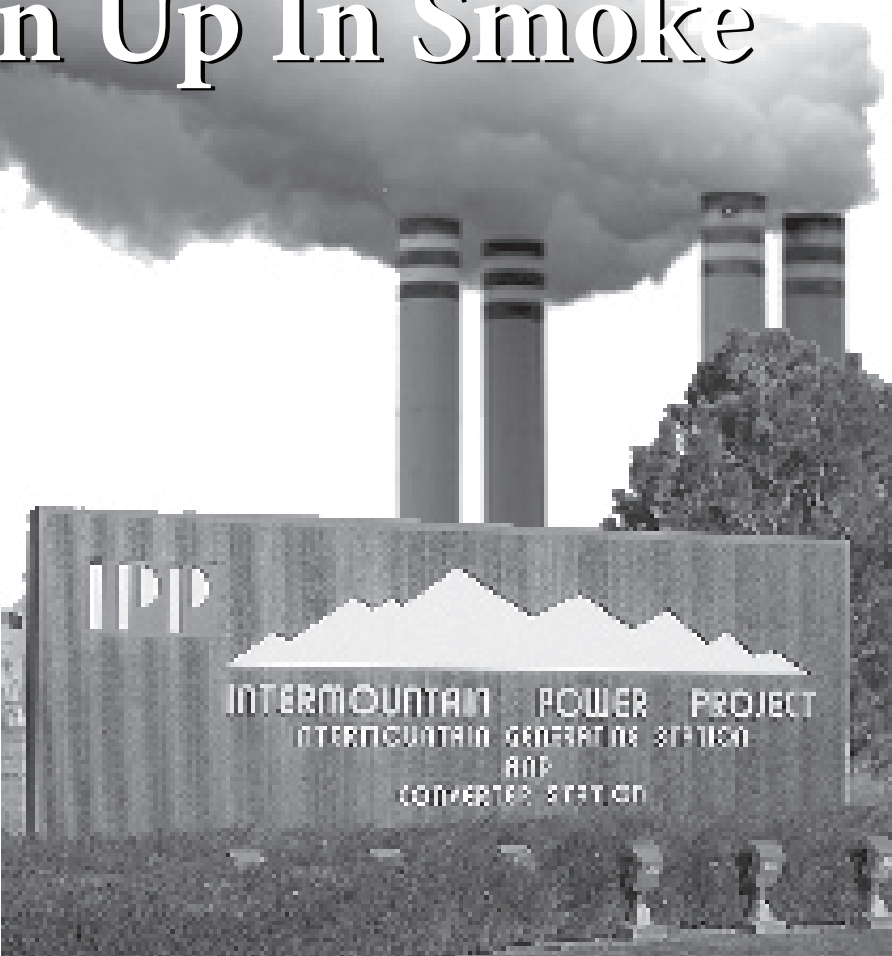
The bill defines , "greenhouse gases" as, carbon dioxide (CO2), methane (CH4), nitrous oxide (N2O), hydrofluorocarbons (HFCs), perfluorocarbons (PFCs), and sulfur hexafluoride (SF6). These are the same used in the Kyoto Protocol where 137 counties have come together to combat climate change.

City staff said they would have to buy emission allowances if a "Cap and Trade" program were to take affect costing the city \$38 million a year something none of them said they were in favor of. Under that program the cities below the levels could sell credits to more polluting cities.

Pasadena Water and Power Department General Manager Phyllis Currie said Northern cities in that state tend to have high uses of hydrothermal and geothermal where here in the south we tend to use coal she said. This would lead to the south trading with the north.

Mayor Bill Bogaard said although necessary, AB 32 was one of the most economically threading laws the city will see.

"All of this of course impacts 60,000 customers who are our constituents in the community," he said. "It's clear to me in the months and years ahead, number one, that we're going to be talking about these same issues 'a lot', and number two, we're going to be discussing them with our constituents 'a lot' and it won't be with an excess of smiles."



He went on to say that people will soon realize, "that the world in changing it terms of the cost of these precious and absolutely necessary commodities."

Currie earlier gave a lengthy report on why and how the city could implement the goals. She said that although the bill mandates that the California Air Resource Board implement regulations by 2012, the rules by which those will apply will be decided this year, including "Cap and Trade."

Councilmember Steve Madison said he though the city could overcome this, "the outlook is challenging but we're pretty smart in this county when we put our minds to things." He then related the issue to child labor laws 100 years ago. "People were up in arms then saying it was going to ruin our economy and we couldn't do business," he said.

Madison said the issue needed to start with more legislative advocacy at both the state and federal level. "Even the President now accepts that there is climate change," he said smiling. He added that maybe there was a way to end coal contracts. The city of Pasadena is locked into buying coal from the Intermountain Power Project in Utah until 2036.

He also said the city needed to immediately embark on a program to reduce coal.

"We should be doing this anyway, before they make us, sort of like kicking a habit," he said. "If we reduce it a little bit every year it would be a lot easier than going cold turkey when they tell us legislative we have to."

Currie said the only other two options were natural gas and nuclear neither of which were viable. Both she said cost much more then coal adding that the city chose coal to save rate payers money, "it's historical," she said. Other council member asked about renewable and alternative energy sources which she said were even higher.

Currie also explained that reducing incrementally at the current rate would take until 2050. "We are looking for ever opportunity to reduce coal, but what I'm saying is we are still on the hook."

Madison also asked about selling coal or generating it themselves. "If we sold coal at a loss let's say, just to get rid of it, and yet we retained the responsibility for the emissions associated with what we sold, that would just aggravate our financial problems," Currie said. She also said the city had looked into generating its own power.

Councilmember Sid Tyler asked if the city's Environmental Advisory Commission had reviewed her report. Saying no Madison commented, "That needs to be done immediately."

Marathon Moves Forward Despite Security Concerns

By Dean Lee

Acting City Manager Bernard Melekian confirmed Monday that the Pasadena Marathon set for Nov. 16 moved one step closer last week to taking place even though police and event organizers could not agreed on a route that would gaurantee the safety of the thousands expected to attend.

Melekian said some of the original 26.3 mile marathon maps shown to the city included areas outside Pasadena like Sierra Madre and unincorporated areas of L.A. County. He said the city would have to work with a number of other agencies in order for the original plans to work, saying also that they [the other cities], were never told. He said they could not assure safety in those areas.

The marathon could draw as many as 15,000 applicants making it one of the largest races in the country organizers said. The number of possible spectators is unknown, pending the route, but they said it had to potential to bring in over \$1 million of revenue to the city.

During a closed door meeting on April 30th, Melekian said Pasadena Forward, organizers of the marathon, submitted another map and documents.

"The meeting went well said without going into any detail. "Most of the concerns were taken care of." He said the November 16th date had been saved and was a little surprised

when organizers last week packed the council chambers during the regular meeting accusing the city of "not being on board." He said this was never the case.

Executive Director of Pasadena Forward, Israel Estrada said to the council "What you see here tonight is a snapshot of the community support this event has generated over the past three years."

Estrada also said his group had turned in all the necessary paperwork and raised the funds the city requested to pay for police and safety. Estrada also said they have been working with many different city organizations and individuals to execute what he called "a world class event."

After the meeting Estrada said what they were truly looking to be able to publish the Map. He said not only for those who are training but also businesses that lie along the route. As of Friday a Map was still not available at pasadenamarathon.org the official website. Organizers said they hoped to have it available next week.

In a press release Olympic Champion and Pasadena resident John Naber gave his full support to the Marathon. "Pasadena is a city filled with tradition, elegance and a fundamental respect for public parklands," Naber stated. "There is no better place to take a 26-mile run while enjoying beautiful greenery, interesting architecture, and wonderful weather."

Passions Run High Over Tough Citywide Smoking Ordinance

By Dean Lee

Things got ugly quick Monday night during the regular city council meeting as two Pasadena residents squabbled after one called the other fat during public comment —all over a new anti smoking ordinance that will leave those who wish to light up with almost nowhere to go.

The packed meeting had smokers and nonsmokers divided, literally. The smell of smoke lingered in half the room. By the door and a number of people left coughing. About half a dozen non smoking advocates and the youth organization Day One tried to show there support by wearing green stickers only to be heckled by smokers as they spoke. Some were as young as 15.

After the council voted in favor of the stricter smoking restrictions, with Councilmember Chris Holden abstaining and Councilmember Steve Madison absent, the city's Sergeant at Arms was called to break up an augment outside that included city staff.

Comments first made by La Canada resident Keith Park calling Nancy Sagatelian of the Pasadena Tobacco Prevention Coalition obese led to an argument in which Park was asked by police to leave city hall.

"I am not going to sand here and insult somebody by saying that the lady who represents Day one and American Hart Association, Miss Nancy is obese." Park said. "I have decided to smoke cigars, it's my right."

Sagatelian then asked Mayor Bill Bogaard if she could again address the council about the remarks. After Bogaard politely denied, the argument erupted outside in which staff tried to break it up.

Most that favored restitutions said they did not go far enough asking to add sidewalks and multi family housing among other things. They also thanked Director of the Pasadena Public Health Dr. Takashi Wada for making this a health issue.

David Wheatley president of the Pasadena Tobacco Prevention Coalition asked that Brookside Golf Course be added back in. He also said window should be treated the same as doors

allowing smoke to drift.

"Somehow when the issue went to the city manager's office some 'whiteout' appeared and it vanished," he said. "We would like to see that put back in." The golf course was brought up by a number of other people as well but not by the council and is still the only park area were people can smoke.

Councilmember Sid Tyler asked staff to report back to council in 10 months to evaluate the current ordinance and recommend additional measures that would enable the city to receive an "A" grade from the American Lung Association. The city will now have a "B" having gone from an "C."

Pasadena attorney Christopher Sutton said the city's smoking ban would fail to accommodate people with disabilities. He said both for people in wheel chairs and for those addicted. He said smoking is defined as an addition and because of that smokers are defined as disabled. He had to stop talking as the room erupted into laughter although he said he was not kidding.

Sutton also said the ordinance did not allow businesses with outdoor smoking areas to take further steps to ensure that smokers and nonsmokers were separated. He said it was unfair to deprive businesses that depend on smokers.

JJ's Steakhouse owner Ralph Viscuso estimated he would lose \$600,000 if smokers left.

Smoking will now be prohibited in outdoor malls, shopping areas/centers, outdoor dining areas, within 20-feet of an entrance/exit, all service waiting lines including ATM machines, bus stops and movie theaters. Smoking is also prohibit in public outdoor gathering "events/special events/parades/fairs." As written this would include the nearly 1 million Rose Parade attendees.

Enforcement would be done through an existing Public Health Department Tobacco Control Program with a telephone number and website for the public to file complaints. Fines start at \$100 and go up \$100 for additional violations. The ordinance will take affect 30 days after being published in a local newspaper.

City of Pasadena to Celebrate Cyclists

By Teresa Baxter

The City of Pasadena will host a week of festivities beginning on May 12, with workshops and rides to celebrate and encourage bicycling for health and everyday transportation. The celebration, Bike Week Pasadena, enters its second year in 2008 and builds on the success of 2007, where throngs of visitors and spectators took part in activities in the heart of the city.

"With gas hovering at \$4 per gallon, it's time to demonstrate just how easy and cheap pedal-power can be," said Judi Masuda, transportation planner for the city. "And with all the cycling technology and handy accessories on the market, even trips to the grocery store have become an easy errand by bike."

According to BikeNow.org, this year's Bike Week 2008 schedule is already crammed with excitement—featuring a Ladies' Night ride that winds through Pasadena to the Rose Bowl, a group road ride through Bungalow Heaven, bicycle pit stops, "Bikes in the City" workshops, bike films and a social ride—with festivities culminating on Saturday with the Second Annual Bicycle Commuter Expo.

The Urban Bicycle Expo, held at the historic One Colorado on Saturday, May 17, boasts a wealth of exhibitors focused on encouraging bicycling for transportation. The Expo happens all day long starting at 10 A.M on DeLacey Ave. between Union and Colorado Blvd. The day will be kicked off with a family ride led by Pasadena Vice-Mayor Steve Haderlein. Local area bike shops, bike and accessory manufacturers, and local advocacy groups will come together to present

the latest bicycles, fashion, and gear emerging from the ultra-hot urban bike commuter scene. Entertainment will include live music, DJs and a chic cycling fashion show. The animated bike movie favorite "The Triplets of Belleville", a 2004 Academy Award nominee, will be screened outdoors and under the stars in the picturesque One Colorado Courtyard at 8:00 P.M., after the Urban Bike Expo.

Free and open to everyone, Bike Week Pasadena is a public-private collaboration of the city of Pasadena Department of Transportation, One Colorado, the Playhouse District Association, Cyclists Inciting Change through Live Exchange (C.I.C.L.E.) and the Metro Gold Line.

Sponsors include Whole Foods, Shell Vacations, REI, Pasadena Cyclery, InCycle and Helen's Cycles. For a complete itinerary of the week's events, or for further information, please visit cicle.org or call 323-478-0060.



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La Salle Crystal Ball Clears \$306,000 Carol and Brad Wright '73 Honored

La Salle High School held its ninth annual Crystal Ball, "April in Paris" on April 18 at the Langham, Huntington Hotel and Spa, Pasadena (formerly known as the Ritz-Carlton). The 400 guests, dressed for a springtime evening in Paris, enjoyed a cocktail reception while leisurely perusing and bidding on 160 silent and super silent auction items. At the conclusion of the silent auction, guests moved to the ballroom where they were seated at fuchsia covered tables adorned with Eiffel Towers and pink azaleas.

During dinner, guests continued to try to outbid each other on super silent auction items including art produced especially for the evening by talented La Salle staff and students. Following dinner, excitement spread throughout the room as the Live Auction began. A private jet trip to Napa Valley for the day, a helicopter tour of Los Angeles including dinner and limousine service, trips to Washington D.C., Dominica, Kauai, and Tahiti, a gourmet dinner prepared by Chef Bonacci and his family and friends, VIP Student Parking for a year, and an evening of wine tasting and gourmet dinner with the incomparable Dr. Gray were purchased by lucky bidders through lively and competitive bidding.

Meshach Taylor P'08 from the cast of the Designing Women television series graciously served as Emcee for the evening. Meshach brought Principal Pat Bonacci to the stage to draw the winning raffle ticket for a Hawaiian vacation for two. The lucky winners of the get-a-way were Theodore and Patricia Lafranchi GP '10. Meshach then introduced the President of La Salle, Dr. Richard Gray who made a special presentation to the evening's honorees. The Lasallian Volunteer award was given to Carol and Brad Wright '73 P '07, '12 in recognition of their years of service to La Salle and Catholic education.

Carol and Brad have had extensive volunteer involvement with the schools that their children, Jessica, Christopher '07, and Stephen '12, have attended. Carol has held leadership positions in the parent associations of no less than four schools: High Point Academy, San

Gabriel Christian, Mayfield, and, of course, La Salle. Not to be outdone by his wife, Brad got an early start by serving on the Board of Directors of Saint Edmund's Nursery School. In addition to refereeing soccer games sponsored by Region 13 of AYSO for the last twelve years, he assumed various administrative responsibilities with AYSO for the last seven years. He received the AYSO Walizer Award for his outstanding service to the Region 13 Referee Program. Both Carol and Brad have been extensively involved in the Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts as a result of their children's participation and were privileged to witness their son, Chris' Eagle Scout Court of Honor.

Not content to limit her volunteer time to her children's activities, Carol spent the better part of twelve years holding a variety of positions with the Junior League of Pasadena, and is currently involved with the Pasadena Chapter of the National Charity League, of which she was a founding member of the Board of Directors.

All of the above pales in contrast to their service to La Salle over the last five years. Two years as Recording Secretary led Carol and Brad to serve as Vice-Presidents of the Parent Association and, ultimately, as President during the school's fiftieth anniversary year. In addition to launching the Freshman Parent Orientation event in 2006, Brad and Carol co-chaired Grandparents Day and were instrumental in the huge success of the "Back-to-Swing Night" Parent Dance. The La Salle community is grateful for their many years of dedicated service and congratulates them on being honored as the Lasallian Volunteers of 2008.

The Crystal Ball is La Salle's major annual fundraising event and all proceeds support the academic, arts, athletic, and financial aid programs. Thank you to Donna Rey P'09, P'11, Crystal Ball Chairperson, and Karen McAlister P'09, P'11, Crystal Ball Co-Chairperson, the Crystal Ball Committee and each and every volunteer, sponsor, and donor who helped to make this year's Crystal Ball, a huge success with over \$306,000 in net proceeds.

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TRISH'S TRUTH

Ever Thought About Posting a Secret?

By Trisha Collins

PostSecret is a website where each week people can send in an artfully decorated postcard that clearly displays a secret they have. There are no names, no addresses, it's all anonymous. PostSecret is a place where you can go to express yourself, where you can expose your deepest darkest secret with complete anonymity. You don't have to worry about what people will think and if they'll judge you, it's a place for relief. The website is actually like a healing and relieving process for virtually everyone who visits it, whether you've displayed a secret or not. The bottom line is, everybody has a secret, big or small. It's just that many people are ashamed of their secrets, so they never

tell anybody about them. PostSecret allows people to let go of their secrets creatively each week, helping themselves and others all at once.

PostSecret was created by Frank Warren, an ordinary man with a family whose goal was to create "something of an art form, a sacred trust". With the website already 4 years old, Warren has created just that. When it first began, Warren received a total of 3,000 postcards to present on the website. Now, the website has received over 100,000 postcards, about 200 everyday. Warren explains to CNN that he has "a great relationship with the mail carrier, but some at the post office probably do hate me," just going to show his dedication to the website.

It's good to let go sometimes. People

are almost trapped within themselves with secrets, secrets itching to be told. The problem is simple: it's hard to tell. It's difficult to tell someone something that's been deep inside you for years, mostly because people are afraid of their reaction. They wonder "Will they treat me differently?" or "Will they tell someone else?" or "Will they judge me?" With PostSecret.com, there's a complete guarantee that you're secret will remain confidential (unless of course you have instantly recognizable handwriting).

I visited the site last week after reading about it in LA Youth. I encourage you all to take some time out and visit this website even if you haven't sent in a secret. You might get more out of it than you think.

La Salle Sends Military Care Packages

Pasadena, CA - La Salle Student Life and the Alumni Association held a drive for items to be sent to La Salle alums currently serving in the armed forces overseas. The care packages were assembled by La Salle students and included personal notes of thanks to Army Captain, Leroy Cisneros '89, stationed in Afghanistan, Navy Seaman, Equipment Operator, Jeremy Gorman '95, stationed in Iraq, and Army First Lieutenant Jacob Brady '02, as well as to dozens of fellow soldiers in their respective companies.



Below, from left are Kristen Schultz '98, Director of Alumni Relations, Maddie Herlache '09, John Kopcha '09, and Tyler Varing '09.

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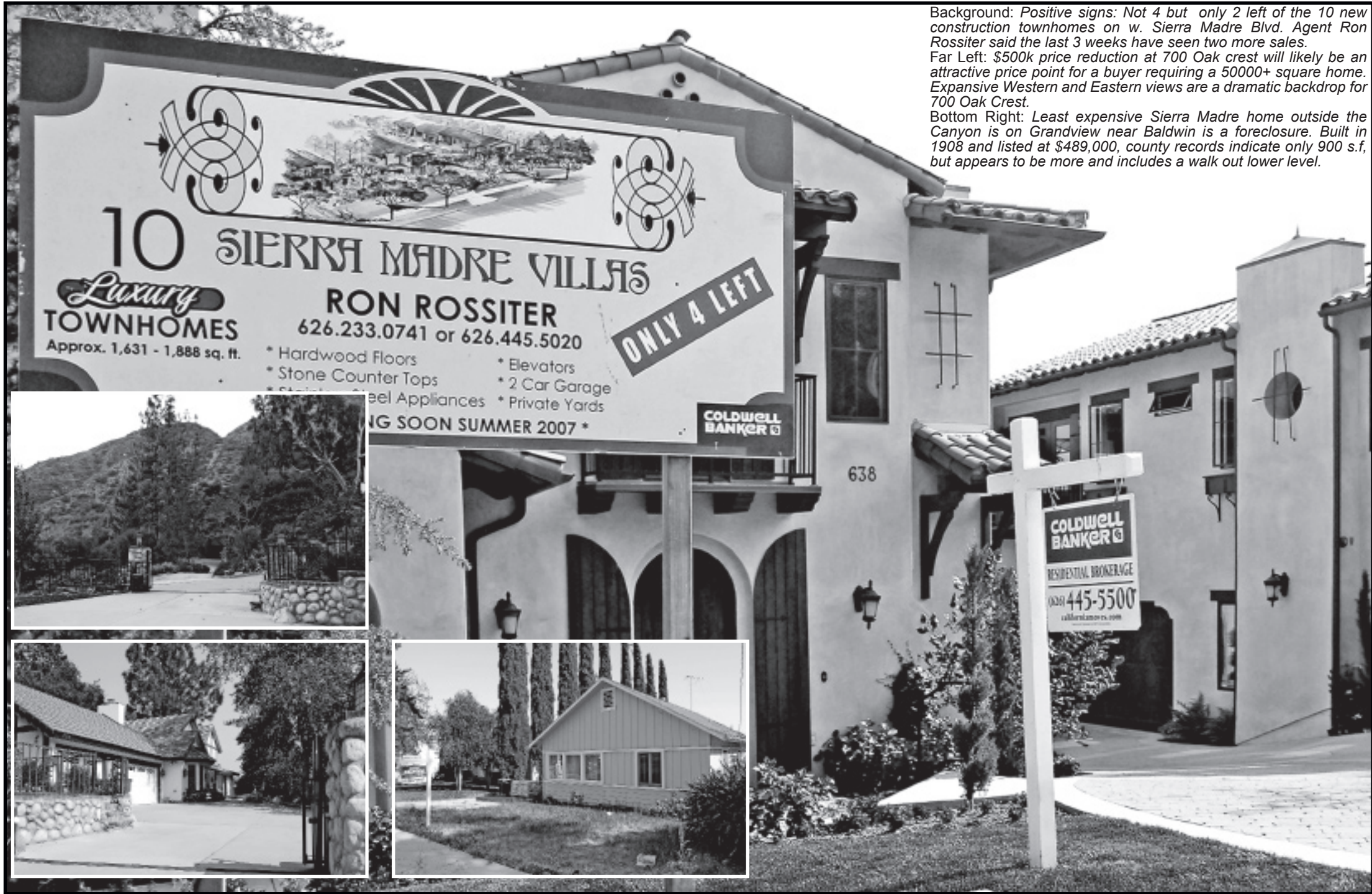
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Background: Positive signs: Not 4 but only 2 left of the 10 new construction townhomes on w. Sierra Madre Blvd. Agent Ron Rossiter said the last 3 weeks have seen two more sales. Far Left: \$500k price reduction at 700 Oak crest will likely be an attractive price point for a buyer requiring a 50000+ square home. Expansive Western and Eastern views are a dramatic backdrop for 700 Oak Crest. Bottom Right: Least expensive Sierra Madre home outside the Canyon is on Grandview near Baldwin is a foreclosure. Built in 1908 and listed at \$489,000, county records indicate only 900 s.f, but appears to be more and includes a walk out lower level.

One Of A Kind: *Featuring unique homes & gardens and the people who create them*

Photos and Story By Chris Bertrand

The State of our Local Real Estate - Are home values on the way back up yet?

Shortly before the Santa Anita Fire, five local real estate experts sat down with me to chat about our local real estate market. It's on everyone's minds these days. It's certainly on the news day in and day out.

I put out an invitation to the first five respondents from a group of ten professionals whose real estate opinions I value. The idea was to bring them together, to bounce candid insights and perspectives on the current real estate market off one another. Appraiser Brenda Wendt, Realtors Irene Daly of Dilbeck, Jan Thornton from Coldwell Banker, Carmen Thibault from Sotheby's and Dilbeck Arcadia's branch manager, Harold Baerresen brought 84 years of experience to the table.

Unequivocally, they all agree on what we are NOT. Our local area, which I define as our newspaper's delivery area of Pasadena, Altadena, Sierra Madre, Arcadia and Monrovia, is NOT in the "Foreclosure Freefall" or whatever clever phraseology the 11 o'clock new uses in the sound bite advertising during "Dancing with the Stars." They all feel this is being overplayed into a frenzied generalization, which really applies to only some metro areas like San Bernardino and Riverside.

We are NOT in a newly developing area with large numbers of foreclosures. Do we have some? Yes, of course. When we talked late in April, the numbers were impressively small, however. Wendt identified only four in the 46 active listings in Sierra Madre as of April 18, though the 1 Carter and Stonehouse land parcels (no houses) were reported in foreclosure last week. In a community of 10,578, that is pretty darn stable. Our communities haven't seen the rows and rows of for sale signs with REO, bank-owned or foreclosure riders on them that the television crews seem so eager to film over in the Inland Empire.

Irene Daly and Harold Baerresen from Dilbeck point out that we are even seeing some multiple offers on well-priced homes with the "right features"... For some, that's the highly rated school district Arcadia offers. For others, it's the energy and night life of Old Town Pasadena, the eclectic charm of Sierra Madre, or the Victorian and historical properties of Monrovia, all vibrant healthy communities. I myself observed an urgency in the buyers at local Sunday open houses recently.

Sales are being made. Active, good agents are selling homes, and the positive is that people in for the "fast buck" have been shaken from the roster. Daly put two Sierra Madre listings into escrow and wrote another Sierra Madre offer this week which is currently in multiple offers.

Choosing a lender is really important, particularly in this post, sub-prime lending era. These agents have seen which lenders perform on time and which don't, so it's not completely about the rate that's offered. It's also the fees and the reliability of the lender. That's something

agents who do a lot of transactions will be able to evaluate.

SOME ATTRACTIVE BUYS AROUND RIGHT NOW

With 46 single family home listings in Sierra Madre as of that date, the least expensive home in Sierra Madre, excluding the Canyon, is 38 W. Grandview at \$489,900. It is a foreclosure. According to Sierra Madre based appraiser Brenda Wendt, it's approaching what she refers to as land value. In fact, it's a property she mentioned to me a few weeks before, as a seemingly attractive buy within our city. There also happens to be a home on that land, with 924 square feet noted in the listing, plus additional interior square footage not accounted for in county records. It's in a stable neighborhood just outside the downtown area, with well-tended homes around it. An easy, two block walk to Bean Town.

When I visited the property, I called the broker, but never received a call back. No return calls from the listing broker? Who knows? Maybe that's why it's still on the market. What I DID see was an active, interested family investigating the property with an agent. By the time this prints, I certainly hope to see a sold sign there.

The property longest on the market is 700 Oak Crest Drive. A large property with 5051 square feet, it has seen 538 days on market. What some might see as bad news, can be good news. A price drop of \$500k over this period of time puts it at \$1,880,000 and will likely make this an attractive buy for someone looking for an elegant, sophisticated home with great views.

Some interesting marketing strategies have popped up in this market, including listing an Arcadia home on Forest at \$100k in the MLS, in anticipation of an auction, with a "buy it now" price of \$799,000, latching onto the E-Bay style.

The agents all had their own horror stories of trying to complete foreclosure and short sale transactions, mostly in the peripheral counties. Jan Thornton commented that the misconception still remains that foreclosures are a great deal. She warns that by the time all the accumulated debts are paid, the price is often higher, not lower than buying from an owner-occupied homeowner who is a motivated seller. All the agents piped up with concerns and cautions about foreclosure deals, and Daly reiterated several times her problems with lender-owner addenda to the sales contracts.

There's a whole set of risks involved with buying a foreclosed home. When an owner walks away from a home in foreclosure, there's often anger and emotion involved. If the owner can take it with them, they likely do. The appliances disappear. The lighting and plumbing fixtures and the air conditioners disappear. Not necessarily neatly either. So buyer beware. Since money's obviously been an issue, there's often deferred maintenance. One commented that if the little items aren't maintained well, the bigger ticket home repair and maintenance items are likely deferred, too.

Carmen Thibault said she has had extensive trouble in getting timely contract responses from the lenders holding foreclosure listings. The banks are just not in the business of holding and selling homes. On a whole, they don't go out of their way to make it easy either. Slow responses on paperwork often follow insult with injury, with high penalties and fees if you don't close within their specified tight time frame. This just compounds the difficulties in dealing with a corporate entity rather than an in situ homeowner. Many banks have assigned processing companies to deal with their foreclosed properties, and some of these are particularly uncooperative. Again, they stressed that we're VERY lucky to be in such a stable area, with such a low percentage of homes with these sale issues.

ARE WE ON THE WAY BACK UP?

Baerresen chuckles that the only way to ascertain whether we're on the upswing for sure, is to check "the rear view mirror." Wendt commented that these past few months of flat sales prices usually signals that the bottom's been reached. She expects a few bumps in local prices, up a little and fluctuating down a bit, but the spring is looking quite promising!

Their joint recommendation was to find a willing, motivated seller, and take advantage of the favorable interest rates now. Jan Thornton comments that Realtors often hear "Maybe if I wait, prices will drop and we can afford more home. BUT, when interest rates jump just a small amount, the resulting impact on the monthly cost quickly outweighs a possible downward blip in prices. The phrase bandied about at the end of the day: "Buy now, or pay more later!"

If you'd like to chat personally with any of these agents and the appraiser, here they are in no particular order, just like on "Dancing with the Stars":

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TABLE FOR TWO By Peter Dills

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May 17th and 18th is the annual California Strawberry Festival located at College Park in Oxnard. Hours are 10 AM to 6:30 PM. This event pays tribute to our vast regional agricultural heritage. Delicious strawberries are served here in every manner the imagination can

conceive. There are cooking demonstrations, 300 arts and crafts booths plus live entertainment featuring Big Bad Voodoo Daddy. For more information call (888) 288-9242 or visit the web site at www.strawberry-fest.org. Tickets are \$12

May 23rd to the 25th (Memorial Weekend) is the 5th Annual Food and Wine Festival at the Balboa Bay Club and Resorts. I will be in attendance, so join me as I sample food, wine and enjoy music as we lounge with the spectacular views of the bay. This weekend is loaded with fun items, there are 10 events with a few highlights; Friday night is Italy on the Bay, Saturday is Lunch with Italian winemaker Antinori, plus an afternoon of Sake and Sushi, Saturday night is Grand tasting with 60 wineries and Sunday features a Caribbean Brunch with a Calypso band, with an afternoon of sparkling wine

to follow.

The resort has been named one of the top 500 Hotels in the World by Travel and Leisure Magazine. Join me to find out exactly why. For more information call (949) 630-4146 www.balboabayclub.com for admission and fees

June 1st. The Taste of Alhambra is located on 1st and Main St. This event offers food and music from local Alhambra Restaurants all for one inclusive price. Presale \$45; \$55 day of the event. Currently there are over 30 different vendors offering samples of their food and spirits!! Festivities run from 5 PM to 9 PM. Proceeds benefit local charities call (626) 284-4943 for ticket information.

Do you know of a food event?
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Stuart Tolchin On...LIFE It's Really Up To You

At the urging of my vivacious neighbor, Barbara Wamboldt, I attended the Sierra Madre Community Arts program at the Sierra Madre Playhouse. The speaker was Stephen J. Cannell Jr., executive producer and creator of forty television series and writer of fifteen hundred screenplays. Mr. Cannell is a larger than life character who is also a successful novelist in addition to winning honors as a high school running back.

During the presentation, Mr. Cannell revealed that he had been held back in kindergarten, the third grade and the tenth grade. He had gone to College to play football and was academically ineligible before the season even started and he never was eligible to play. Many people thought he was just stupid and others thought he just didn't apply himself. As you have probably guessed he suffered and continues to suffer from dyslexia, a condition that impairs one's ability to read and spell. Maybe his disability would be diagnosed today but when he was going to school, who knew from dyslexia? (It's hard to tell how old the man is—he looks fifty and is probably close to seventy.) As a result of his continuing academic problems, Mr. Cannell became accustomed to disappointment and rejection. He knew nothing about the condition of dyslexia but knew only that he had great difficulty in doing things that his friends seemed to do with ease. Still he believed in himself and pursued his dream to become a writer. He had a secret. In High School he had written a poem for his English Class and had received his all time highest grade, B--. He was thrilled and read the poem to everyone, including his older sister, an honor student. His sister loved the poem and, to prove a point,

submitted the poem in her own name in her Honors English Class; yep, she received an A, and there's more. The poem was selected to appear in the Campus Literary Magazine and was in fact published under her name. This was Mr. Cannell's first published writing, and in his presentation he emphasized that this experience taught him some very important things.

Number 1; More than ever, he was now certain that he was a talented writer even though he couldn't spell and had trouble reading. Number 2; Equally important was the realization that other people's responses were largely determined by their expectations. He decided then and there that if other people's response to his writing was important to him, it was part of his responsibility as a writer to be able to reach them. He continued to write five hours a day without ever selling anything and without losing hope. He enjoyed the present moments of his life, because writing was a thing he loved and he did it every day. He believed in his ability and knew there was some way he would succeed; the only way he could fail was if he ran out of time.

At some time in our life most of us experience ourselves as being square pegs trying to fit into round holes. It is this struggle that often constitutes our unique contribution to the world. In evolutionary terms, an individual ability to do something in a new and more effective way often contributes to the advancement and benefit of the entire species. In one way or another we are all freaks and the world needs us. We carry within ourselves the unknown path to the future and our main responsibility is to continue to believe in our own value. I hope this makes some sense to you; it almost does to me and I guess that's close enough.



The Amendments

By Rich Johnson

As a public service to our wonderful community of citizens, this newspaper is going to recap below the 27 Amendments to the constitution. You are encouraged to cut this column out and put it on your refrigerator.

As your choices for political office start taking stands on issues, you can compare, where applicable, how they relate to these amendments. Shall we begin?

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- #2. The right to keep and bear arms, and form a militia.
- #3. No quartering of soldiers in private houses during peacetime.
- #4. Protection from unreasonable searches and seizures.
- #5. Protection against self-incrimination and double jeopardy.
- #6. Fair, speedy, public trial by jury and the right to counsel.
- #7. Right to trial by jury in civil cases.
- #8. No cruel and unusual punishment, or excessive fines.
- #9. Protection of rights not enumerated in the Constitution.
- #10. All other powers reserved to the state or the people.
- #11. Immunity of states to federal and foreign law suits.
- #12. Procedures for electing the President and Vice President.
- #13. Abolition of Slavery
- #14. Guarantee of citizenship, equal protection and due process.
- #15. Guarantees the right to vote regardless of race, color or previous servitude.
- #16. Gives Congress the right to levy income taxes.
- #17. Direct election of U.S. Senators by the citizens
- #18. Introduced Prohibition
- #19. Guarantees women the right to vote
- #20. Moved succession of office from March up to January.
- #21. Repeal of Prohibition.
- #22. Limits Presidents to two terms in office.
- #23. Gave D.C. residents a vote in Presidential elections.
- #24. Prohibits the charging of a poll tax in federal elections.
- #25. Defines the succession to the presidency
- #26. Standardized the voting age to 18.
- #27. Postpones Congressional pay raises until after a new election.

The last amendment was ratified in 1992. It was originally submitted to congress in 1789 meaning it took over 202 years to be ratified. In case you are interested six amendments proposed by Congress have failed to be ratified by the appropriate number of states. Four are still technically pending. They are:

- A. The U.S. House of Representatives Apportionment Amendment (Big wow!) That was proposed in September of 1789.
- B. The TONA Amendment was proposed in May of 1810. It restricts any citizen from accepting any title of nobility from some foreign country or ruler without the consent of Congress.
- C. The Corwin Amendment was proposed in March of 1861. It would have prohibited Congress from banning slavery in those states whose state laws permitted it.
- D. This amendment would give Congress power to regulate child labor. It was proposed June 2, 1924 and is still pending. The two proposed Amendments that have expired are:
- E. the Equal Rights Amendment proposed in 1972 and expired in 1979. And finally
- F. an Amendment giving the District of Columbia the equivalency of statehood. It was proposed in 1978 and expired in 1985. So, what else do you want to know?

From The Desk Of... Glenn Lambdin

I believe it was Albert Einstein that said, "Insanity is doing the same thing over and over and expecting different results." Ahh, Sierra Madre, take note.

Sierra Madre has been an interesting study between what some have called the Preservationist vs. Property Rights People. I have never really liked these two labels because it implies that if you are a Property Rights Person then you are an Anti-Preservationist or vice versa. I believe you can be both preservationist and property rights advocate.

Over the past dozen or so years, Sierra Madre has been party to several public battles all in the name of preserving the character and historical fabric of our town. While nobody wants to see the character and charm of Sierra Madre changed, intense battle lines have been drawn. In each case, the intention to preserve was admirable but the method used resulted in costly adverse results.

What good is intention if a repeated methodology only erodes what we all desire? Why continue to employ a failed methodology expecting different results. Its insanity. And the method used, well, it has been an aggressive "in your face" to the property owners that attempts to force them to do what "we" say you are going to do.

To those that continue to employ this method, perhaps you should take a close look and take ownership of the results of your efforts. Look at what you're leaving our town and the price we end up paying. In each case, the cost has escalated and has become increasingly more destructive.

To illustrate, in 1995, Sierra Madre had a Cultural Heritage Commission (CHC) and a list of historical properties. To my knowledge, at that time, not one single homeowner objected to being listed. With meaningful intentions of preservation, the CHC embarked on an over zealous campaign that launched the town



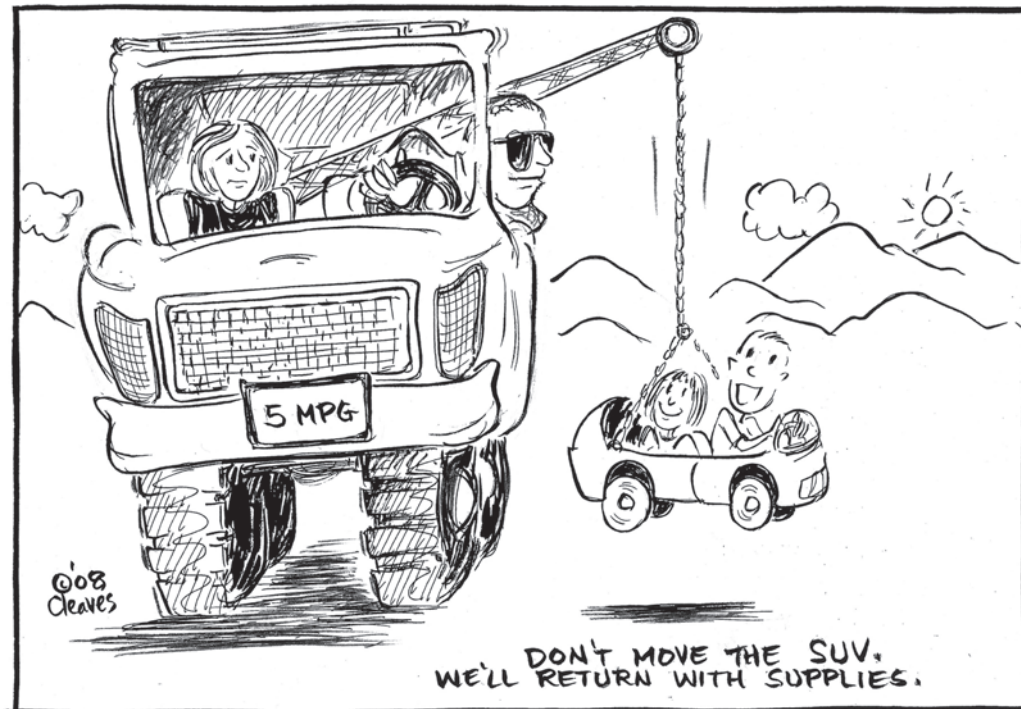
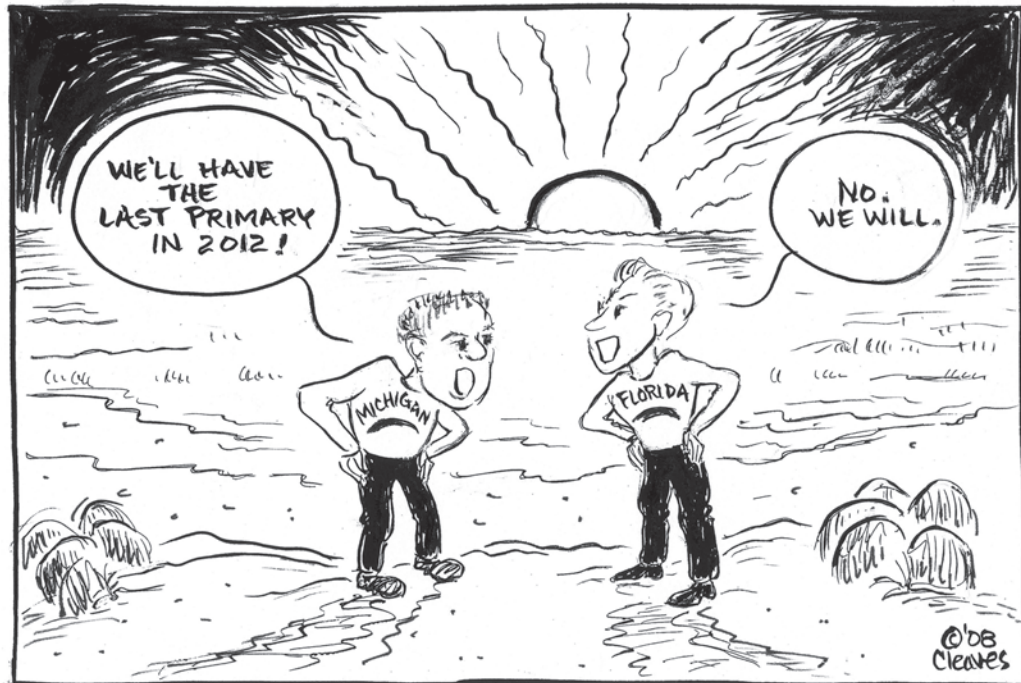
into a battle that resulted in two costly initiatives and a landmark court case. When the dust settled, we were left with 29 fewer homes on our list of historical resources.

In 1998, the Kraft Estate had only one home on the property and the largest stand of oak trees in the city. The estate was sold to a doctor who wanted to build a second home on the property where he and his wife could raise their family, leaving the southern half of the property undeveloped. Again, with intentions of preservation and the same forceful and harassing approach, the method yielded opposite results. Tired and frustrated by the harassment, the good doctor subdivided the estate into five lots and sold them. Today, instead of two homes on the property, there are five. Too bad the lesson wasn't learned there.

Unfortunately, this same method is being used at One Carter and Stonehouse. It is history repeating itself and regardless of intention, we can already see grave results of enormous proportions. Is there anyone who is not saddened, if not sickened, by the sight of the hillside that has been butchered, raped and left abandoned?

It appears that One Carter and Stonehouse may soon be under new ownership or at least new control. Maybe, just maybe, this time the vocal opposition to these two projects can approach the new owners with a realistic sense of logic and reason and put an end to the repeated short-sighted method that renders adverse results. Maybe we can come out ahead this time undamaged. Hopefully, One Carter isn't beyond salvaging and the need to salvage will never even be a topic of discussion at Stonehouse.

"Insanity is doing the same thing over and over and expecting different results."



LEGAL NOTICES

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 08-0809415

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **AMOR LINGERIE #2**, 6375 S. ALAMEDA ST., LOS ANGELES, CA 90001. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) AMOR STORES, LLC, 1559 W. 37th ST., L.A., CA 90018. This Business is conducted by: **A LLC. Signed:.** This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on **05/07/08**. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on **10/09/07**.

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 08-0870553

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **CALI 'R MUSIC GROUP**, 2216½ CLOVERDALE AVE., L.A., CA 90034. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) ANTHONY HARGREW, 2216½ CLOVERDALE AVE., L.A., CA 90034. This Business is conducted by: **AN INDIVIDUAL. Signed: ANTHONY HARGREW.** This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on **05/02/08**. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on **N/A**.

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 08-08789328

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **DAVID POLISHING**, 732 S. MAPLE AVE. UNIT C, MONTEBELLO, CA 90640. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) DAVID MORELOS, VERONICA AGUILAR, 10743 SHIRE PL. #H, WHITTIER, CA 90601. This Business is conducted by: **HUSBAND and WIFE. Signed: DAVID MORELOS.** This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on **05/05/08**. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on **5/5/08**.

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 08-0819896

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **DISCOVERY TICKETS**, 9251 GARVEY AVE. STE. H, SOUTH EL MONTE, CA 91733. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) WIN WORLD WEALTH, INC., 9251 GARVEY AVE. STE. H, SOUTH EL MONTE, CA 91733. This Business is conducted by: **A CORPORATION. Signed: JORGE GONZALEZ.** This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on **05/08/08**. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on **N/A**.

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 08-0820426

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **1. DJ SCORPION 2. DJ SCORPION**, 6631 SPECHT AVE., BELL GARDENS, CA 90201. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) LUIS ERNESTO PLEITES, MARIA DOLORES RAMOS, 6631 SPECHT AVE., BELL GARDENS, CA 90201. This Business is conducted by: **A GENERAL PARTNERSHIP. Signed: LUIS PLEITES.** This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on **05/08/08**. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on **2/18/05**.

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 08-0801396

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **ETAPIA**, 2418 NINA ST. #4, WEST COVINA, CA 91792. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) ERMALINDA TAPIA, 2418 NINA ST. #4, WEST COVINA, CA 91792. This Business is conducted by: **AN INDIVIDUAL. Signed: ERMALINDA TAPIA.** This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on **05/06/08**. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on **N/A**.

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 08-0693921

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **FRANCISCA MUJERES DEL MUNDO**, 8922 LINDANTE DR., WHITTIER, CA 90603. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) FRANCES MAGANA-CURIEL, 8922 LINDANTE DRIVE, WHITTIER, CA 90603. This Business is conducted by: **AN INDIVIDUAL. Signed: FRANCES MAGANA-CURIEL.** This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on **04/21/08**. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on **21 APRIL 2008**.

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 08-0870806

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **GD RESTAURANT**, 11098 SOUTH ATLANTIC BLVD., LYNWOOD, CA 90262. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) HECTOR AYALA, BEATRIZ AYALA, 11923 OLD RIVER SCHOOL RD. #9, DOWNEY, CA 90242. This Business is conducted by: **A GENERAL PARTNERSHIP. Signed: HECTOR AYALA.** This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on **05/02/08**. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on **N/A**.

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 08-0790797

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **M.D. TRANSPORT**, 3123 E. 2nd ST., LOS ANGELES, CA 90063. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) MARGARITO A. DURAN, 3123 E. 2nd ST., L.A., CA 90063. This Business is conducted by: **AN INDIVIDUAL. Signed: ANTHONY HARGREW.** This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on **05/05/08**. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on **N/A**.

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 08-0603650

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **NEW CREATION KINGDOM FELLOWSHIP**, 700 W. LAUREL ST. #A-103, COMPTON, CA 90220. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) ANGELA GOODLOW ADRIAN GOODLOW, 700 W. LAUREL ST. #A-103, COMPTON, CA 90220. This Business is conducted by: **HUSBAND and WIFE. Signed: ANGELA GOODLOW.** This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on **04/08/08**. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on **N/A**.

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 08-0819897

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **1. PAKADI 2. DISCOVERY SEMINARS and COACHING**, 9251 GARVEY AVE. STE. H, SOUTH EL MONTE, CA 91733. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) WIN WORLD WEALTH, INC., 9251 GARVEY AVE. STE. H, SOUTH EL MONTE, CA 91733. This Business is conducted by: **A CORPORATION. Signed: JORGE GONZALEZ.** This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on **05/08/08**. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on **N/A**.

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 08-0801221

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **RIDICULOUS TWOSEATER**, 1137 GREEN ST., GLENDALE, CA 91205. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) THOMAS PAUL WARD, LAUREE ANNE MARTELL, 1137 GREEN ST., GLENDALE, CA 91205. This Business is conducted by: **A GENERAL PARTNERSHIP. Signed: THOMAS PAUL WARD.** This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on **05/06/08**. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on **N/A**.

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 08-0811095

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **TRANA'S MOBILE WASH**, 1635 NEIL ARMSTRONG APT. 260, MONTEBELLO, CA 90640. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) ERLY NABOR TRANA LOPEZ, MARIA GABRIELA ANEZADA, 1635 NEIL ARMSTRONG APT. 260, MONTEBELLO, CA 90640. This Business is conducted by: **A GENERAL PARTNERSHIP. Signed: ERLY NABOR TRANA LOPEZ.** This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on **05/07/08**. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on **N/A**.

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FILE NO. 2008-0820356

STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF USE OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME

The following person(s) has/have abandoned the use of the fictitious business name: **KANG TAE NYEO TOTAL BEAUTY CENTER, 3700 WILSHIRE BL. #110, L.A., CA 90010**. The fictitious business name referred to above was filed on 12/30/05 in the county of Los Angeles. The business was conducted by: **AN INDIVIDUAL**. The business information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false, is guilty of a crime.) **SIGNED: HYUNG HAN**

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FILE NO. 2008-0819895

STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF USE OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME

The following person(s) has/have abandoned the use of the fictitious business name: **DISCOVERY SEMINARS and COACHING, 8217 CRIDER AVE., PICORIVERA, CA 90660**. The fictitious business name referred to above was filed on 10/30/07 in the county of Los Angeles. The business was conducted by: **HUSBAND and WIFE**. The business information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false, is guilty of a crime.) **SIGNED: JORGE GONZALEZ**

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 08-0625503

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **1. GRB ENTERPRISES 2. GERASBIZ.COM**, 4742 W. 167th ST., LAWDALE, CA 90260. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) GERARDO RAMON RITCHHEY, 4742 W. 167th ST., LAWDALE, CA 90260. This Business is conducted by: **AN INDIVIDUAL. Signed: GERARDO RAMON RITCHHEY** This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on **04/10/08**. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on **5/01/08**.

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 08-0762235

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **1. JESUS KING OF KINGS 2. KING OF KINGS SCRIPTSHIRT**, 1518 S. CONCORD LANE, GLENDALE, CA 91740. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) RICHARD ROJAS, 1518 S. CONCORD LN., GLENDALE, CA 91740. This Business is conducted by: **AN INDIVIDUAL. Signed: RICHARD ROJAS.** This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on **04/30/08**. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on **4/29/08**.

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 08-0762236

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **1. MOON MEALS**

2. MOONMEALS.COM, 209 S. VIOLET AVE. APT. N, MONROVIA, CA 91016. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) MYRNA NOEMI BOHI M., ARI ALEXIS BOHI M., ROBERT V. BOHI, 209 S. VIOLET AVE. APT. N, MONROVIA, CA 91016. This Business is conducted by: **A GENERAL PARTNERSHIP. Signed: ROBERT V. BOHI.** This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on **04/30/08**. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on **N/A**.

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 08-0762237

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **1. CREATIVE MIND ASSOCIATES 2. CREATIVE MINDS TECH.COM**, 209 N. BROADMOOR AVE., WEST COVINA, CA 91790. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) DANIEL ANTHONY BROOKS, 209 N. BROADMOOR AVE., WEST COVINA, CA 91790, ROBERT VINCENT BOHI, 209 S. VIOLET AVE. #N, MONROVIA, CA 91016. This Business is conducted by: **A GENERAL PARTNERSHIP. Signed: DANIEL BROOKS.** This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on **04/30/08**. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on **N/A**.

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 08-0762238

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **1. R. BOHI ENTERPRISES 2. ENTREPRENEURSHIP MALL**, 209 S. VIOLET AVE. APT. N, MONROVIA, CA 91016. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) ROBERT VINCENT BOHI, 209 S. VIOLET AVE. APT. N, MONROVIA, CA 91016. This Business is conducted by: **AN INDIVIDUAL. Signed: ROBERT VINCENT BOHI.** This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on **04/30/08**. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on **N/A**.

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 08-0761720

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **ABCD COMPANY**, 9635 CAMINO REAL, ARCADIA, CA 91007. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) YUK LING HO, 9635 CAMINO REAL, ARCADIA, CA 91007. This Business is conducted by: **AN INDIVIDUAL. Signed: YUK LING HO.** This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on **04/30/08**. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on **N/A**.

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 08-0741887

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **ATLANTIC CAR WASH**, 7700 ATLANTIC AVE., CUDAHY, CA 90201. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) BEST WEST CAR WASH, INC., 7466 BEVERLY BLVD. #104, LOS ANGELES, CA 90036. This Business is conducted by: **A CORPORATION. Signed:.** This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on **04/28/08**. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on **4/22/08**.

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 08-0761465

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **B'KAZ FASHION**, 4710 WHITTIER BLVD., L.A., CA 90022. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) LUIS GARCIA, 2725 N. BROADWAY, L.A., CA 90031. This Business is conducted by: **AN INDIVIDUAL. Signed: LUIS GARCIA.** This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on **04/30/08**. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on **N/A**.

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 08-0759714

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **DISCOTECA 2000**, 542 S. BROADWAY STE. #16, LOS ANGELES, CA 90013. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) RAFAEL MORENO, 1387 E. 56th ST., LOS ANGELES, CA 90011. This Business is conducted by: **AN INDIVIDUAL. Signed: RAFAEL MORENO.** This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on **04/30/08**. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on **2/1/2005**.

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 08-0652446
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **GLAMOUR HAIR STYLERS**, 1907 WEST BADILL STREET, COVINA, CA 91790. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) ROCIO ZEGARRA BORDA, 14402 HALLWOOD DR., BALDWIN PARK, CA 91706. This Business is conducted by: **AN INDIVIDUAL. Signed: ROCIA ZEGARRA BORDA.** This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on **04/15/08**. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on **N/A**.

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 08-0643884
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **NDUKWE INTERNATIONAL ART COMPANY**, 7414 S. HARVARD BLVD., L.A., CA 90047. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) LATRESCHÉ HAMILTON, 7414 S. HARVARD BLVD., L.A., CA 90047. This Business is conducted by: **AN INDIVIDUAL. Signed: LATRESCHÉ HAMILTON.** This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on **04/14/08**. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on **N/A**.

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 08-0662238
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **THE CENTER FOR EDUCATION & AGING RESOURCES/SENIORS ALIVE AT 65**, 904 NORTH LA BREA-2nd FL., INGLEWOOD, CA 90301. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) HOSANNA COMMUNITY CHURCH, 10866 WASHINGTON BLVD. #215, CULVER CITY, CA 90232. This Business is conducted by: **A CORPORATION. Signed: BISHOP EUGENE HOLLY.** This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on **04/16/08**. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on **1995**.

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 08-0651559
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **WENDIE GUO INSURANCE SERVICES**, 2228 INDIANA AVE., LOS ANGELES, CA 90032. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) WANYI GUO, 2228 INDIANA AVE., LOS ANGELES, CA 90032. This Business is conducted by: **AN INDIVIDUAL. Signed: WANYI GUO.** This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on **04/15/08**. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on **N/A**.

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 08-0632931
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **WESTERN NAILS SPA**, 316 N. WESTERN AVE. #B, SAN PEDRO, CA 90732. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) UYENGIAO H. LE, 2256 GRIFFIN AVE., LOS ANGELES, CA 90031. This Business is conducted by: **AN INDIVIDUAL. Signed: UYENGIAO H. LE.** This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on **04/11/08**. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on **N/A**.

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 08-0724134
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **CELEERS “R” US**, 936 S. BURLINGTON AVE. #303, LOS ANGELES, CA 90006. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) CARLOS P. RUANO, 936 S. BURLINGTON AVE. #303, LOS ANGELES, CA 90006. This Business is conducted by: **AN INDIVIDUAL. Signed: CARLOS P. RUANO.** This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on **04/24/08**. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on **N/A**.

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 08-0686426
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **CHOSEN CONCEPTS**, 9112 S. 7th AVE., INGLEWOOD, CA 90305. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) ELNOR JOHNSON, 9112 S. 7th AVE., INGLEWOOD, CA 90305. This Business is conducted by: **AN INDIVIDUAL. Signed: ELNOR JOHNSON.** This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on **04/18/08**. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on **06/1994**.

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 08-0723731
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **DAY & NIGHT ADJUSTERS**, 14630 VALLEY BLVD. #F, LA PUENTE, CA 91746. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) ALEJANDRO VILLEGAS, 6078 FULL ST., CORONA, CA 92880. This Business is conducted by: **AN INDIVIDUAL. Signed: ALEJANDRO VILLEGAS.** This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on **04/24/08**. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on **1999**.

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 08-0701992
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **PERSUE**, 2111 N. SAN GABRIEL BLVD. #G/H. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) TIENIU WANG, LIPING SHAO, 516 S. HIDALGO AVE. #C, ALHAMBRA, CA 91801. This Business is conducted by: **A GENERAL PARTNERSHIP. Signed: TIENIU WANG.** This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on **04/22/08**. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on **1/1/2008**.

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 08-0724276
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **REVOLUTIONARY IMAGES**, 15120 BELLOTA AVE., PARAMOUNT, CA 90723. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) EDWIN BLANCO, 15120 BELLOTA AVE., PARAMOUNT, CA 90723. This Business is conducted by: **AN INDIVIDUAL. Signed: EDWIN BLANCO.** This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on **04/24/08**. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on **N/A**.

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 08-0724325
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **ROCKSTAR FOTOS**, 205 W. ALTADENA DR., ALTADENA, CA 91001. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) EDUARDO PIMENTEL, 205 W. ALTADENA DR., ALTADENA, CA 91001. This Business is conducted by: **AN INDIVIDUAL. Signed: EDUARDO PIMENTEL.** This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on **04/24/08**. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business

name or names listed above on **N/A**.
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 08-0724614
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **SIMPLICITY EVENTS WEDDING AND EVENT COORDINATION**, 8427 VICKI DR., WHITTIER, CA 90606. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) GUADALUPE CARRERA, 8427 VICKI DR., WHITTIER, CA 90606, CARMEN ALANIZ, 8330 MORRILL STREET, WHITTIER, CA 90606, JAMES M. JUAREZ JR., 1630 NEIL ARMSTRONG ST. UNIT 204, MONTEBELLO, CA 90640. This Business is conducted by: **A GENERAL PARTNERSHIP. Signed: JAMES M. JUAREZ JR.** This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on **04/24/08**. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on **N/A**.

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 08-0704094
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **SUBLIMINAL EVENTS**, 5701 S. EASTERN AVE. #630, COMMERCE, CA 90040. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) REACH BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT GROUP, INC., 10222 ROSECRANS AVE., BELLFLOWER, CA 90706. This Business is conducted by: **A CORPORATION. Signed:** This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on **04/22/08**. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on **N/A**.

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 08-0723029
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **TOMMY TA**, 420 BOYD ST. STE. 501, LOS ANGELES, CA 90013. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) TRUNG HONG TA, 340 W. LAS FLORES AVE., ARCADIA, CA 91007. This Business is conducted by: **AN INDIVIDUAL. Signed: TRUNG TA.** This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on **04/24/08**. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on **N/A**.

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 08-0703662
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **VUITTON INTERNATIONAL**, 1151 SONORA AVE. #209, GLENDALE, CA 91201. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) JOYCE O'RILEY, 1151 SONORA AVE. #209, GLENDALE, CA 91201. This Business is conducted by: **AN INDIVIDUAL. Signed: JOYCE O'RILEY.** This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County

on **04/22/08**. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on **N/A**.
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 20080531489
The following person (s) is (are) doing business as: **M AND M SERVICE AND REPAIR** 15916 S. Figueroa St Gardena, CA 90248
Full name of registrant(s) is (are) Carlos E. Hernandez 15916 S. Figueroa St Gardena, CA 90248. The business is conducted by: **AN INDIVIDUAL**. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true information, which he or she knows to be false, is guilty of a crime.) This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on Mar 27, 2008. The registrant (s) has (have) not commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above.

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170802EH File No. 20080550053 FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
The following person (s) is (are) doing business as: **T.L.C. CONSTRUCTION** 411 W. 4th St #6 Long Beach, CA 90802
Full name of registrant (s) is (are) Christopher Robert Gourgaud 411 W. 4th St #6 Long Beach, CA 90802. The business is conducted by: **AN INDIVIDUAL**. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true information, which he or she knows to be false, is guilty of a crime.) This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on Mar 31, 2008. The registrant (s) has (have) not commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above.

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170803CC File No. 20080531488 FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
The following person (s) is (are) doing business as: **KAL AUTO SALES** 15916 S. Figueroa St Gardena, CA 90248
Full name of registrant (s) is (are) **KAL INVESTMENT GROUP** 15916 S. Figueroa St Gardena, CA 90248. The business is conducted as: **A CORPORATION**. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true information, which he or she knows to be false, is guilty of a crime.) This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on Mar 27, 2008. The registrant (s) has (have) not commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above.

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170804CC File No. 20080531487 FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
The following person (s) is (are) doing business as: **I.D. AUTO SERVICE** 15916 S. Figueroa St Gardena, CA 90248
Full name of registrant(s) is (are) SATURN SYSTEMS, INC. 15916 S. Figueroa. The business is conducted by: **A CORPORATION**. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true information, which he or she knows to be false, is guilty of a crime.) This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on Mar 27, 2008. The registrant (s) has (have) not commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above.

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170805CC File No. 20080531497 FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
The following person (s) is (are) doing business as: **ZBI ENTERPRISES** 13312 ½ Van Nuys Blvd Pacoima, CA 91331
Full name of registrant (s) is (are) Carlos M. Celaya 13312 ½ Van Nuys Blvd Pacoima, CA 91331. The business is conducted by: **AN INDIVIDUAL**. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true information, which he or she knows to be false, is guilty of a crime.) This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on Mar 27, 2008. The registrant (s) has (have) not commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above.

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170806GM File No. 2008062543 STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF USE OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
The following person (s) has (have) abandoned the use of the fictitious name: **HUNAN VILLAGE RESTAURANT** 1017 S. Glendora Ave West Covina, CA 91790
The name of the registrant (s) is (are) Hao Ou Yang 1017 S. Glendora Ave West Covina, CA 91790. The business was conducted as: **AN INDIVIDUAL**. The fictitious business name referred to above was filed on 04/16/2008. Original File #20080662667. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true information, which he or she knows to be false, is guilty of a crime.) This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on April 21, 2008. The registrant (s) has (have) ended to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 04/21/2008.

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In a 1953 short story titled “The Golden Apples of the Sun,” author Ray Bradbury imagined a space expedition that would approach the Sun, reach out, and snatch a sample of its material—while the spacecraft’s crew nearly perished from the intense heat.

Now, 55 years later, science-fact is catching up with science-fiction. NASA is about to send a spacecraft to the Sun that will duplicate, in some respects, Bradbury’s perilous mission—except that this robotic craft will carry no crew to feel the sun’s heat.

The Johns Hopkins University Applied Physics Laboratory (APL) is building a spacecraft to be sent closer to the sun than any probe has ever gone – and what it finds could revolutionize what we know about our star and the solar wind that influences everything in our solar system.

The ambitious Solar Probe mission will study the streams of charged particles the sun hurls into space from a vantage point within the sun’s corona—its outer atmosphere—where the processes that heat the corona and produce solar wind occur. At closest approach, Solar Probe will zip past the sun at 125 miles per second, protected by a carbon-composite heat shield that must withstand up to 2,600 degrees Fahrenheit and survive

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blasts of radiation and energized dust at levels not experienced by any previous spacecraft.

Experts in the U.S. and abroad have grappled with this mission concept for more than 30 years, running into seemingly insurmountable technology and budgetary limitations. But in February an APL-led team completed a Solar Probe engineering and mission design study at NASA’s request, detailing just how the robotic mission could be accomplished. The study team used an APL-led 2005 study as its baseline, but then significantly altered the concept to meet NASA’s challenging cost and technical requirements.

“We knew we were on the right track,” says Andrew Dantzler, Solar Probe project manager at APL. “Now we’ve put it all together in an innovative package; the technology is within reach, the concept is feasible, and the entire mission can be done for less than \$750 million—about the cost of a medium-class planetary mission. NASA decided it was time.”

APL will design and build the spacecraft, on a schedule to launch in 2015. The compact, solar-powered probe will weigh about 1,000 pounds; preliminary designs include a 9-foot-diameter, 6-inch-thick, carbon-foam-filled solar shield atop the spacecraft body. Two sets of solar arrays will retract or extend as the spacecraft swings toward or away from the Sun during several loops around the inner solar system, making sure the panels stay

at proper temperatures and power levels. At its closest approach to the Sun, the spacecraft must survive solar intensity more than 500 times what it experienced while orbiting Earth.

Solar Probe will use seven Venus flybys over nearly seven years to gradually shrink its orbit around the Sun, coming as close as 4.1 million miles (6.6 million kilometers) to the Sun, well within the orbit of Mercury and about eight times closer than any spacecraft has come before.

Solar Probe will employ a combination of in-place and remote measurements to achieve the mission’s primary scientific goals: (1) determine the structure and dynamics of the magnetic fields at the sources of solar wind; (2) trace the flow of energy that heats the corona and accelerates the solar wind; (3) determine what mechanisms accelerate and transport energetic particles; and (4) explore dusty plasma near the sun and its influence on solar wind and energetic

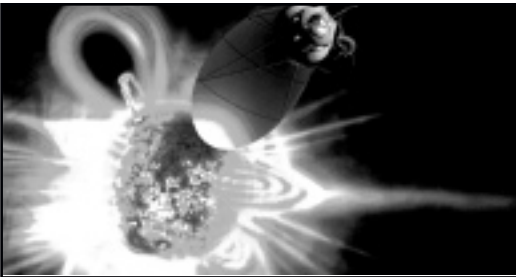


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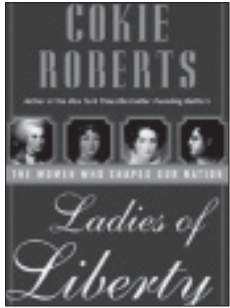
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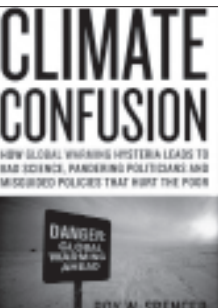
Ladies of Liberty: The Women Who Shaped Our Nation by Cokie Roberts (2008)

Author & journalist Cokie Roberts looks back at some of the remarkable women who helped our young country in a time of need. Taken from journals, letters, and other primary sources, many previously unpublished, Roberts brings to life the extraordinary accomplishments of these women who were mothers, freethinkers to first ladies, educators and explorers. Almost every quotation here is written by a woman, to a woman, or about a woman. With insight and humor, she presents a colorful blend of biographical portraits and behind the scenes stories of these important women that include Martha Jefferson, Abigail Adams, Dolley Madison, Margaret Bayard Smith, Elizabeth Monroe, Louisa Catherine Adams, Eliza Hamilton, Louisa Livingston, Theodosia Burr, Sacajawea, plus others. A very enjoyable and enlightening read. This book is a follow-up to her bestseller, Founding Mothers: The Women Who Raised Our Nation.



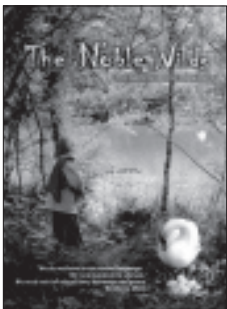
Climate Confusion: How Global Warming Hysteria Leads to Bad Science, Pandering Politicians and Misguided Policies that Hurt the Poor by Roy Spencer (2008)

The author has a PhD in meteorology, is lead climate scientist at University of Alabama and former senior scientist for climate studies at NASA. Yes, he says, there has been global warming in the last 150 years. About 1 degree in 100 years. Natural climate variability happens. Anytime climate changes there are winners and losers. We are not pushing mother nature over the edge as the Gore followers say. Break off of ice shelves is normal. Our contribution is a tiny fraction. Adding CO2 does increase the temperature some, but it's mostly a natural condition. The world has actually cooled in the last year and stopped warming seven years ago. Also, we need to reexamine the premise that CO2 is bad; vegetation and sea life may do better with more CO2. M.I.T. Atmospheric Professor Richard Minson says this is the best book on global warming science now available. From the Author "I wrote Climate Confusion for several reasons. In contrast to other works, I wanted it to be an entertaining and easily understood primer on how weather and climate works, showing why manmade global warming is unlikely to be a serious problem for humanity. Furthermore, I wanted to explore the political, philosophical, and religious underpinnings of beliefs in catastrophic global warming, helping the reader to better appreciate why scientific research in this area has become tainted and untrustworthy. Finally, and possibly most importantly, by using basic economic concepts I wanted to counter currently proposed policy "solutions" to global warming that will have devastating effects on the world's poor."



The Noble Wilds by The Supreme Master Ching Hai (2008)

Master Ching Hai exhibits Her Love and Compassion towards all living beings, including wildlife. Drawn from personal experience, the author shows how wildlife serves as mirrors through which we see ourselves. Wildlife have the same human qualities, including feelings, emotions, understanding, protective love, and desire to live. Over 400 pages, it's full of beautiful photos, wit and love and touching stories - The Noble Wilds is an eye opener. Animals are entitled to sincere consideration as co inhabitants on the earth planet. Recognizing this, we should conserve and manage wildlife and animals with loving care and compassion. A wonderful treasure for adults and kids.



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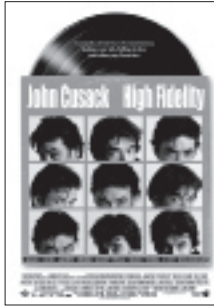


Becoming Jane (2007)

This is a dramatization of a possible life scenario of famed romantic novelist Jane Austen. The year is 1795 and Jane is a feisty young woman and beginning writer who already can see people beyond class and commerce, beyond pride and prejudice, and dreams of doing what was then nearly impossible, marrying for love. Of course her parents are searching for that wealthy, well connected husband to provide Jane's future security. The parents want her to marry a rich nephew of a local aristocrat, but when Jane meets a roguish handsome Darcy-like character sparks fly. Now the couple face the sense and sensibility of the age. If they marry, they will risk family, friends and fortune. A well-done period piece with some good special features.

Juno (2007)

This highly enjoyable quirky movie has delightful dialogue, great music and set designs. Even though the story centers on a 16-year old girl who must deal with her unwanted pregnancy, the movie is a joy from beginning to end, and outspoken lovable Juno becomes an unforgettable character. One of the best films of 2007, it was nominated for Best Picture and won an Oscar for best original screenplay.



High Fidelity (2000)

In this fun romantic comedy, vintage record store owner Rob Gordon (John Cusack) has been ditched (yet again) by his girlfriend because he hasn't changed since they met. To understand where all went wrong, Rob revisits his top five breakups of all time (he constantly makes top five lists, though usually about music). As he finds and talks to his former girlfriends to find out why they dumped him, he continues to try and win Laura back. The film is a clever, humorous tribute to the music scene, as the movie is centered around Rob's record shop and his record collection, as well as a look at the male view of affairs of the heart. A break-out movie for the fun Jack Black. Also, Rob asks that all important question, "Are we listening to pop music because we are miserable? Or are we miserable because we listen to pop music?"



Rebuilding After Stress

By Mary Carney

Intense periods of stress - whether they be long or short - leave their effects. Stories abound of people whose hair "turned white overnight," or turned white weeks or months after an event. Sudden events can be "merely" stressful - which can sometimes be relatively to overcome, or majorly shocking, leaving one very different than before the event. Loss of spouse or career can result in serious health challenges one or two years afterwards as part of the body's healing response.

What some of us experienced during the fires was stressful - mildly for those who lived near Orange Grove, more seriously for those who live right next to our usually peaceful, protective and nurturing foothills. Within a few hours of the fire starting, 1,000 of our friends and neighbors were under mandatory evacuation from their homes. Others were advised of the fire's possible future path, and advised to be prepared to evacuate at any moment.

Whether we chose to move out, or stay, our amygdala (survival brain) kicked in, activating adrenal glands to give us the energy to "fight or flight". Those two very small 1/2" x 3" orange colored glands that crunched on top of each of our kidneys take a tremendous beating in today's world. The medulla, inside each gland, actually produces the adrenaline (epinephrine and norepinephrine), while the cortex, the outer layer, produces other hormones, such as cortisone and aldosterone, which help balance our body's fluids and electrolytes (salt).

For most of us, moments of stress come and go - Darn! I burnt the toast! Aghh, I got a parking ticket. Whoops, I almost got hit by that car. Fleeting, irritating, scary. But when something goes on for a while - for a few hours, or days, or weeks, or months or, per Al Martinez' editorial in today's LA Times about the effects of war on our unprepared young men, the left-over effects can be much more serious.

After serious stress, can we regain our lives? How? Our strength? How? What do we do?

Here in town, most of us said, "Good, I'm back home. Things are still here." But the 2 or 3 days of stress linger according to our own unique response. When it's serious enough, it gets fancy labels called post-traumatic stress disorder. We can get "stuck" inside with nerves that never settle down, with a hyperactive "alert" system that startles at everything, to interrupted sleep. Each of

these affects our nutritional reserves and strength.

From my point of view, there needs to be a balanced, two-pronged re-stabilization process. One is physical, and the other is emotional.

For the physical, increase intake of quality foods, as many fresh (not cooked) vegetables and fruits as possible, easily digested sources of protein, more of the critically essential fatty acids. Take conscious time to chew foods more thoroughly for a while to help start the digestion right. Include additional digestive enzymes to more completely breakdown those carbs, fats and proteins so that more nutrients are available. Add some good whole-food supplements. The first vitamins to go are the B vitamins. Lack of B1 leads to shaking, lack of PABA and Pantothenic acid leads to white hair (hint, hint).

When I was 27, fell off a balance beam while doing a backwards somersault, and accidentally pulled out a handful of my long hair - and discovered that there were 3" of white at the roots! I was appalled, to put it mildly! After three years on megavitamins, including at least 300 mg of mixed B vitamins every day, there wasn't a gray hair anywhere. I eventually phased out of supplements and, for the last umpty decades really haven't done much with them. And yes, I have some grey hairs now, but I'm betting if I again boosted my Bs, and the other things I know I've let slide, that they'd all disappear ...

On the emotional side, what were the (hidden) fears? Financial? Loss of life? Choosing among touchstones? Treasures? Where would you go? What was most important? How do one's inner instinctive selections "square" with what one thinks other people's opinions would be? Was there a detachment process, when realizing that of everything you had acquired, you, yourself could only take a few things, at best? And, by yourself, not even the ones you prized most? Then to have the reprieve and release - nothing lost. But still, the effects of your inner process lingers ... until you finds a way to deal with it.

May I suggest taking care of yourself with patience for self and neighbors. Pay attention now, and recover more quickly - so that you're not blindsided several months from now when you see or experience something "new" and unexpected. Coming back from stress is another one of those "from the inside out" processes that only you can accomplish. Don't you just wish sometimes that you didn't have to do it all? I know I do ...



BIRD'S EYE VIEW

By Pat Birdsall

Jury Duty Part Two

The bus dropped me off just a crosswalk away from the Criminal Courts Building in Los Angeles. I walked up the steep hill to the entrance and wondered if jury duty in San Francisco could be much worse. I entered the door that said "Jury Entrance" and walked into a world just this side of the penal system. We were like a herd of cattle—"Stand in line, put your purse on the conveyor belt." No, don't walk through the "non-golden" arches until you're told. What's that in your pocket?" said an Amazon of a woman. The other inspectors looked in her direction ready to tackle the miscreant she was addressing, until they saw that I was a card-carrying member of AARP. I told her it was my inhaler, and she just dismissed me with the wave of her arm. "Move on," instructed the Amazon. As I have said in the past, I'm Irish, and some of us don't forgive and some of us don't forget...It didn't take long. After the bus ride and the "frisking," I had to go to the restroom. There was a ladies' room not far away on the same floor. I discovered that the stall I had selected had TP, but you couldn't get it out of the dispenser. I was able to reach up for a seat protector, snatching the last one. I exited, and another woman approached the stall. I told her about the TP dilemma, she thanked me and went into the second stall. Enter the Amazon. She went into stall number one...I left only when I heard the click of her door lock!

Off to the jury room on the 5th floor. The rest of the herd and I were definitely not going to fall asleep in there because the room was so cold. How cold was it you might ask? Well, it was cold enough to keep a side of beef frozen through a summer in Death Valley replete with a Baskin-Robbins franchise. Total strangers were on the verge of snuggling to keep warm. I thought I saw an exchange of cash for an extra sweatshirt. Then out came a court representative to give us a rundown on procedures and I'm sure to divert our attention away from the thermostat. He asked for the folks who felt they should be excused due to a medical or financial hardship to come forward. At least half of the room got in line, many with smug looks on their faces, I might add. Unless one was in an obvious coma, or a card-carrying member of a mental institution, no one was excused.

Our court spokesperson announced that a courtroom on the 15th floor needed over 100 potential jurors for a case that might take seventeen days. "When I call your name, please let me know if you're here." The first name—"Patricia Birdsall" *(To be continued...)*

SENIOR HAPPENINGS...

By Pat Birdsall

FYI:

Mother's Day

On May 9, 1914, President Woodrow Wilson made the first official announcement proclaiming Mother's Day a national holiday that was to be held on the 2nd Sunday of May. It was here at the first observance that the carnation was introduced as a souvenir of Mother's Day. A tradition that has lasted to this day.

~Helpful Hints~

Choose to reuse: Think twice before you toss those used dryer sheets. They're great as furniture polishing cloths; they remove static from clothing and hair, and are quick-and-easy fresheners for stored books, shoes and clothes.



Happy Birthday
Juanita Loera and
Barbara Soulanille



Recipe of the Month: Quick Sauerkraut

1 head green cabbage (about 2 ½ pounds), outer leaves removed, halved, cored and thinly sliced
½ cup distilled white vinegar
1 tbs. coarse salt

In a medium saucepan, combine cabbage, vinegar, salt and 1¼ cups water. Cover, and cook over medium, stirring occasionally, until cabbage is tender, 30 to 35 minutes (if bottom of pan starts to brown, add ¼ cup more water). To store, refrigerate up to 2 weeks. Makes 6 cups

Classic Reubens
2 tbs. light mayonnaise
1 tbs. ketchup
1 tbs. sweet pickle relish
Coarse salt and ground pepper
1 tbs. butter
8 slices rye sandwich bread
½ lb sliced corned beef
1 1/3 cups Quick Sauerkraut
4 oz sliced Swiss cheese

1) In a small bowl, combine mayonnaise, ketchup, and relish: season with salt and pepper. Set aside. Butter bread; place, buttered side down, on a work surface. Spread 4 slices with mayonnaise mixture; top with corned beef, sauerkraut, and cheese. Sandwich with remaining bread, buttered side up.

2) In two batches, cook sandwiches, covered in a large skillet over medium-low, until bread is golden brown and cheese is melted.

For Your Funny Bone

The customer only wanted half a head of lettuce, and insisted the stock boy check with the manager before denying his request. The boy approached his boss. "Some moron wants to buy half a head of lettuce," he said. Just then he saw the customer was standing right behind him. "And this gentleman," he added quickly, "has kindly offered to buy the other half." Later the manager said, "That was some pretty quick thinking. Tell me, where are you from son?" "Canada, sir," the boy replied. "Really? And why did you leave?" "Because there's nobody up there but tramps and hockey players." "I see," said the manager. "You know my wife is from Canada." "Really?" said the boy. "What team did she play for?"

Every day of our lives we make deposits in the memory banks of our children.
~Marilyn Penland



Activities:

Unless listed differently, all activities are at the Hart Memorial Park (Senior Center) 222 W. Sierra Madre Blvd., Sierra Madre

Lunch Program: Monday-Friday- Call (626) 355-0256 to reserve day before. Suggested donation \$2.00 for seniors, others- \$3.75.

Monday: Free Strength Training Class with Lisa Brandley 1:00- 1:45 PM
Tuesday: Bingo: 1:30-3:30 PM .25c per card

Yoga: 5:00 PM- Instructor, Andrea Walsh - \$6.00 for seniors

Wednesday: Open

Thursday: Game Day- 1:30- 4:00 P M Poker, Bunco, Scrabble, Cribbage, Chess, Checkers, Backgammon, Pinochle...you name it.

Yoga: 5:00-6:30 PM- For seniors and others who want to go slow (can be done in a chair) Instructor: Andrea Walsh \$6.00 for those 50 & over-\$7.50 for those under 50 To register call (626) 355-7394

Friday: Ping-Pong- 2:00-4:00 PM- Not tournament, just for fun

~ **New~ Fridays:** Adult Fitness Class- Noon-1:00PM at the Recreation Center \$34.00 for 8 week course. Call (626) 355-7394 for info & reservations
Saturday: Senior Club for those 55 and older- Brown bag lunch at 11:30AM Meeting at Noon and Bingo: 12:30 PM only .25c per card

Monthly Excursions:

May 15- From Sierra Madre to Fillmore where you will board a train to Santa Paula. A 3 course meal will be served in the vintage dining cars. There will be a walking tour of the heritage murals or you can explore the California Oil Museum. \$52.00 (includes bus, train & lunch) The trip has a high minimum requirement of 45 people, so ask a friend or two to join you.

*For reservations and further information call Susan Clifton at (626) 355-7394 or stop by and see her at the Hart Memorial Park House- 9:00 AM- 2:00 PM- Monday-Thursday

Free Consultation with Pasadena Attorney Geoffrey Chin- 2nd Wednesday of the month- 10:00 AM - 11:30 AM-*Appointments are a must. Call Susan Clifton at (626) 355-7394. *Conflicting court schedules can occasionally cause cancellations.

Blood Pressure Clinic The SM Paramedics do blood pressure readings on the 2nd Tuesday of each month from 11-12:00 noon

Hearing Loss after 50+ Dr. Lucy Shih will discuss treatment options currently available on Tuesday, April 22 from 1:30-2:30 p.m. at the Arcadia Community Center 365 Campus Dr., Arcadia. One in three people age 60 and over, and half of those older than 85 have hearing loss. Hearing problems can be frustrating and even dangerous. For reservations call (626) 574-5130.

Meals-On-Wheels: Meals are delivered to homebound seniors through the YWCA Intervale lunch program M-F with frozen meals for the weekend. \$2.00 suggested donation per day
Call Susan Garcia at (626) 858-8382

SPORTS

Alverno Jaguar Softball Heads To CIF For Seventeenth Straight Year

Photos by Belle n' Beau



Junior Amanda Mowrey (top) and Sophomore Alyssa Avila, (below) show that younger Jaguars have plenty of talent!



Pitcher Michelle Escamilla and catcher Sarah Trevino make a great team. This is their fourth trip to CIF.



Michelle Estrada is a strong athlete who will have gone to CIF all four years of high school



year. The undefeated Jaguars hold a 10-0 Horizon League record this season, with a 20-3-0 record overall.

"This team has a lot of talent," comments coach Frankie Russo. Russo has coached the Jaguars to CIF playoffs for those seventeen winning years.

The Alverno Jaguars are the 2004 Southern Section Division VI champs, a title they also won in 1981. Alverno, a Catholic high school for girls in Sierra Madre with 282 students, was the first school of any size in the West San Gabriel Valley to win two CIF softball championships.

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