A BOLD summer season

BY LUKE HAROLD

The BOLD schedule of events in Beverly Hills concludes today with a Concerts on Canon show by Rod Lightning and the Thunderbolts of Love – from 6:06 to 6:45 p.m. and 7:15 to 8 p.m. – drawing the curtain on the initial slate of events for Mayor Lili Bosse’s new program.

“I thought it was a tremendous success, very excited by it,” Bosse said, reflecting on the turnaround to BOLD events throughout August. “The city really came alive at night.” Bosse developed BOLD (Businesses Open Later Days) to rejuvenate the local business community. Stores in Beverly Hills, including those along the city’s famous Rodeo Drive, have traditionally had late hours, but some are worried about adverse effects to public health.

Events started with an installation that Mayor Lili Bosse and local residents helped complete.

L.A. approves Indigenous Peoples Day

BY LUKE HAROLD

The Los Angeles City Council voted 14-1 on Wednesday to replace Columbus Day with Indigenous Peoples Day, culminating a two-year process that ignited passions on both sides.

“Los Angeles does bold, progressive things, we take bold, progressive action,” said Councilman Mitch O’Farrell, who introduced a motion in 2015 to establish the new holiday.

Beginning no later than 2019, Indigenous Peoples Day will be recognized as an official city holiday on the second Monday of every October, instead of Columbus Day, which will continue to be a federal holiday.

Council’s vote also established Italian American Heritage Day on Oct. 12 each year.

O’Farrell is a native Oklahoman and a member of the Wyandotte Nation. Councilman Joe Buscaino, 15th District, who cast the dissenting vote, is of Italian descent. He posted a YouTube video a few years ago about his family’s pasta sauce recipe, one of the many ways he shares his heritage with the community. The two agreed on the value of Los Angeles honoring America’s Indigenous Peoples, but they have been at odds over the message it would send to replace Columbus Day, a day of national pride for many of the city’s Italian-Americans.

The cultural passions on each side were on display during public comment. City Council President Mitch O’Farrell, who introduced a resolution on Aug. 22 in opposition to the bill, said, “I thought it was a tremendous step forward for our city and others members will be.

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BY EDWIN FOLVEN

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The Wilshire/West Traffic divisions won the competition last year by donating 147 units of blood. The winning station is treated to lunch by Cedars-Sinai’s Blood Donor Services. The totals for the 2017 competition will be available next week.

The Abbey is one of many local nightlife venues that could benefit from later hours, but some are worried about adverse effects to public health and safety.

The holiday will replace Columbus Day on the local calendar

Councilman Mitch O’Farrell, 13th District, joined a rally outside City Hall in support of implementing Indigenous Peoples Day in Los Angeles.

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AIDS LifeCycle
Open House
Bicyclists interested in participating in the 2018 AIDS LifeCycle are encouraged to attend an open house on Thursday, Aug. 31 from 7 to 8:30 p.m. at the Los Angeles LGBT Center’s Village at Ed Gould Plaza. Details will be provided about the ride held every June from San Francisco to Los Angeles, including how to receive a free loaner bike and discounts offered by local bike shops. The event raises funds for the center and the San Francisco AIDS Foundation. 1125 N. McCadden Place, Ste. 202. RSVP required. (800)245-3424, info@lgbtc.org.

September
Story Time
Families are encouraged to attend “Story Time at the Fowler” on Friday, Sept. 1 from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the Fowler Museum at UCLA. The event is intended for children ages 6 and under and includes interactive stories about people living in Africa, Asia, the Pacific and the Americas. After “Story Time”, children can learn about global art by traveling around the world in a self-guided gallery adventure. Admission is free. 308 Charles E. Young Drive North. (303)425-3861, arts.ucla.edu.

Jazz at LACMA
Jazz fans are invited to a performance by saxophonist Rickey Woodard on Friday, Sept. 1 at 6 p.m. at the Los Angeles County Museum of Art’s Bing Theatre. Woodard began his career as a member of the Ray Charles Band and later recorded and toured with Frank Sinatra, Ella Fitzgerald, Ernestine Anderson, Benny Carter and Horace Silver. He has been a member of the Clayton-Hamilton Jazz Orchestra, the Juggernauts and the Chameleons in addition to making numerous guest appearances. Admission is Free. 5905 Wilshire Blvd. (323)857-6010, lacma.org.

Astronomy Forum
Learn about the latest in astronomy at “All Space Considered” on Friday, Sept. 1 from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. at the Griffith Observatory. Topics include the Griffith sky report, the recent solar eclipse and more. The first monthly series is held by the Friends of the Observatory. Leonard N. Potter Event Horizon Theater, 2800 E. Observatory Road. griffithobservatory.org.

John Williams
The Los Angeles Philharmonic presents “John Williams: Maestro of the Movies” on Friday, Sept. 1 and Saturday, Sept. 2 at 8 p.m. and Sunday, Sept. 3 at 7:30 p.m. at the Hollywood Bowl. Legendary composer Williams returns to conduct many of his greatest moments of movie music magic. David Newman kicks off the evening with additional film music. A selection of clips will be shown on the big screen. Tickets start at $14. 2301 N. Highland Ave. (323)850-2000, hollywoodbowl.com.

Goodfellas
Movie fans won’t want to miss an outdoor screening of “Goodfellas” (1990) on Saturday, Sept. 2 on the lawn at the Arty Museum of the American West. Bring a picnic basket and blanket and enjoy the classic mob film by director Martin Scorsese. Doors open at 5; the musical group Trudop Sorority performs at 7; and the movie starts at 8 p.m. The film is rated R. Tickets start at $8.4700 Western Heritage Way, in Griffith Park. (323)667-2000, theatre40.org.

Cabin in the Sky
Enjoy a screening of the film “Cabin in the Sky” (1943) on Tuesday, Sept. 5 at 1 p.m. at the Los Angeles County Museum of Art. The film was written by Joseph Schrank and is based on a musical play by the same name by Lynn Roff. After a compulsive gambler dies during a shooting, he receives a second chance to reform himself and to make up with his worried wife. General admission is $4. The screening is part of the museum’s “Broad Fest” returns on September 21-23 at 2 p.m. and 7 p.m. at The Broad Stage Education & Community Programs, with artist Marri Gittelman, will also oversee collective art projects inspired by wind and waves. Food, beer and wine will be available for purchase. Admission is free. 1125 N. McCadden Place.

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Quincy Jones
Tribute
Musical director Christian McBride and conductor John Clayton will lead “Quincy Jones: The A&M Years” on Wednesday, Sept. 6 at 8 p.m. at the Hollywood Bowl. The event spotlights “Walking in Space,” “Gila Matani,” and “Smackwater Jack” – three A&M jazz albums by Jones that were released during a peak creative time in his life. Joining McBride and Clayton for the special tribute will be Dave Grusin, Sean Jones, Hubert Laws, Grégoire Maret, Lewis Rodriguez, Valerie Simpson and an all-star big band. Tickets start at $1. 2301 N. Highland Ave. (323)850-2000, hollywoodbowl.com.

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LGBT Center among those denouncing potential transgender military ban; Mattis calls for freeze

BY LUKE HAROLD

Rep. Adam Schiff praised Defense Secretary James Mattis on Wednesday after Mattis reversed a directive from President Donald J. Trump last Friday that would have indefinitely upheld a ban on transgender military members. Mattis issued a statement on Tuesday saying the current policy allowing transgender troops to serve openly will remain in place pending further analysis. Schiff said he was “thankful” for the secretary’s decision.

However, the fact remains that there was no basis for the President’s destructive change in policy and the tweets that preceded it. Every American should be encouraged to serve the country and we should be grateful for all who do.”

Former President Barack Obama announced in 2016 that transgender military members could serve openly for the first time in U.S. military history. Previously, they could have been medically discharged for revealing that information. The Obama administration gave the military until July 1 this year to implement the rule, but that was pushed back to Jan. 1, 2018. A directive issued by Trump last Friday will indefinitely postpone the military’s effort to integrate transgender people.

The directive states that the secretary of defense and the secretary of homeland security “shall determine how to address transgender individuals currently serving in the United States military.”

Darrel Cummings, chief of staff at the Los Angeles LGBT Center, issued a statement harshly condemning the directive. He referred to recent criticism Trump has faced over his response to the white supremacist-led rally in Charlottesville, Virginia, and his pardon of Joe Arpaio, a former Arizona sheriff.

“While he pardons a convicted felon and refers to white supremacists as fine people, our commanders-in-chief are ostracizing the thousands of dedicated, hard-working transgender service members willing to lay down their lives for our country and, against the recommendation of an overwhelming number of military leaders, preventing them from fighting for our country,” Cummings said.

Ashston Carter, former secretary of defense under Obama, announced last summer that transgender people would be able to serve openly in the U.S. military. It was another social milestone for the military following the discontinuation of the Don’t Ask, Don’t Tell policy issued by former President Bill Clinton. But Trump, in his memo, said there was no “sufficient basis” to begin allowing transgender personnel or recruits to serve.

“In my judgment, the previous Administration failed to identify a sufficient basis to conclude that terminating the [Defense Department’s] longstanding policy and practice would not hinder military effectiveness and lethality, disrupt unit cohesion, or tax military resources, and there remain meaningful concerns that further study is needed to ensure that continued implementation of last year’s policy change would not have those negative effects,” the memo read.

A report commissioned by the Department of Defense estimated that there were between 1,320 to 6,630 transgender people already in the military. It added that costs of health care, one of the concerns Trump mentioned, would be “relatively small.”

How to help people affected by Hurricane Harvey flooding

BY JACLYN COSGROVE

Ongoing, life-threatening flooding from Hurricane Harvey continues to devastate southeast Texas, leaving thousands displaced.

Several organizations have stepped up to help those affected by flooding in the Houston region.

Locally, Cedars-Sinai Medical Center employees are contributing to hurricane relief efforts by donating through a Cedars-Sinai webpage with the American Red Cross.

To maximize the impact of employees’ generosity, Cedars-Sinai will match donations dollar for dollar, up to $50,000. Proceeds will be directed to areas of greatest need.

Restaurants in Los Angeles have started hosting fundraising events as well, including a benefit tonight, Aug. 31, from 9 p.m. to midnight at Keve’s Black, 3705 W. Sunset Blvd., to raise money for the Greater Houston Community Foundation. The event will donate 100 percent of raffle ticket sales and 15 percent of all alcohol sales between 9 p.m. to midnight to the foundation.

Over the past week, the Red Cross launched a massive relief response to the devastating storm and is requesting financial donations to provide immediate disaster relief. Donations can be made by visiting redcross.org, calling (800) RED CROSS or texting the word HARVEY to 90999 to make a $10 donation.

Approximately 31 Red Cross volunteers from the Los Angeles region – including Jarrett Barrios, American Red Cross Los Angeles Region CEO – have been deployed to Texas, volunteering in shelters.

Preliminary estimates indicate that at least 17,000 people sought refuge in more than 45 shelters across Texas Monday night, including at least 8,000 evacuees at the George R. Brown Convention Center in Houston, according to the Red Cross. Shelters have also opened in Louisiana as the storm moves eastward.

After receiving an overwhelming number of inquiries from residents and companies who want to help, Houston Mayor Sylvester Turner and County Judge Ed Emmen established the Hurricane Harvey Relief Fund that will accept tax-deducible flood relief donations. To donate, visit gkhf.org/hurricane-relief.

Additionally, the United Way of Greater Houston established the Hurricane Harvey Relief Fund that will accept tax-deducible flood relief donations. To donate, visit gkhf.org/hurricane-relief.

Local firefighters and rescue volunteers in Northwest Houston worked this week to help residents evacuate the area.

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DNA testing solves murder 48 years later

BY EDWIN FOLVEN

For nearly five decades, the family of 22-year-old art student Wendy Jo Halison searched for answers after Halison was assassinated in 1972.

In 2016, they finally received answers when DNA evidence linked a convicted murderer who died in an Ohio prison in 2013 to the homicide.

Halison, who lived with her family in a one-bedroom apartment on Wilshire Boulevard near Fairfax Avenue, had gone shopping on Sept. 29, 1968 at the now-closed Thrifty drug store. The next day, friends and family members found the victim’s Ford Thunderbird parked on Fairfax Avenue near Olympic Boulevard, a short distance south of the store. Halison’s body was in the trunk, said Det. Richard Bengtson, of the Los Angeles Police Department’s Robbery-Homicide Division.

Bengtson said detectives from the Wilshire Div. had investigated the case for years. They surmised it was one of the murders in Halison’s life who committed the crime.

She had a boyfriend at the time and an ex-boyfriend with whom she remained close. Halison was described as a drifter, dead at age 77 while serving time in an Ohio prison for a murder he committed in 1972.

Bengtson said Richard was staying in the local area when he killed Halison. The detectives said the suspect’s mother lived in the Mid-City area. Richard also matched the description of a white man who witnesses saw in the store at the same time Halison was there.

Bengtson said he believes Richardson followed Halison to the parking lot. He called Richardson a predator and said the murder was a crime of opportunity.

After Richardson’s murder conviction in Ohio, he was later convicted of the 1972 murder of a 23-year-old woman in Orange County, and was sentenced to life in prison. That ensured he would have been transferred to custody in California if he ever got out of prison in Ohio.

Bengtson said Halison might not have been the only woman from the local area murdered by Richardson, a potential suspect in four additional cases. One of the victims is Margaret Schuit, a woman in her early 20s who disappeared from the same Thrifty drug store in 1969 and whose body was later found in Burbank. Bengtson said the DNA evidence from that investigation was lost and the case remains cold.

He said he is just starting to review the other cases.

The detectives said linking Richardson to Halison’s murder was a challenge, and it provided answers to the victims’ family. The Los Angeles Times reported the news about the case being solved in an article published on Aug. 26.

Richardson had gone shopping on the day Halison was killed, and the DNA from the murder scene was tested again.

“Is wonderful that I was able to give the family some answers as to what happened and why it was happened,” Bengtson said. “For me, it’s one of those things where I kept fighting for someone who couldn’t fight anymore.”

Gunman sought for murder near Melrose and Sierra Bonita

BY EDWIN FOLVEN

Investigators with the Los Angeles Police Department’s West Bureau Homicide Unit are asking for the public’s help in identifying a gunman who shot and killed a victim on Monday evening in the Melrose Avenue shopping district.

A undercover police officer was driving in the area at approximately 5:45 p.m. when he heard numerous gunshots. The officer drove toward the location where he heard the gunshots and found a male victim lying in the street near Melrose and Sierra Bonita Avenue.

A firearm was also found near the victim’s body. Paramedics arrived and pronounced the victim dead from multiple gunshot wounds. The victim’s name was not released. The exact motive for the shooting is unknown but the incident is believed to be gang-related.

Witnesses reported seeing a male suspect flee in a dark-colored SUV east in alley just south of Melrose Avenue. The suspect was described as black, approximately 20 to 25 years old and 5 feet 10 inches to 6 feet tall. He was wearing a dark-colored jacket.

Anyone with information is asked to call (213)382-9470. During weekends and off-hours, call the LAPD’s hotline at (877)LAPD247.
Councilmen Paul Koretz, 5th District, and David Ryu, 4th District, held a press conference on the steps of City Hall to support a bill from the state Senate that would require 100 percent renewable energy to power California by 2045.

Koretz praised the bill, SB 100, as a way for California to remain among the world leaders implementing alternative energy policies and combating climate change. After passing the Senate by a 25-13 vote, the bill is pending in the Assembly.

“If you had told me at the beginning of my political career how far along we would be on the road to climate chaos in 2017, I never would have believed it,” Koretz said. “In climate change, we face the greatest and most critical challenge any generation has ever faced in the history of the planet. And with strong focus, actual leadership, as opposed to what’s happening in Washington, D.C., we will pull off a clean energy future – because we must.”

The councilman pointed to Hurricane Harvey, which has devastated the Gulf region, especially Houston, with rainfall causing flooding, as a symptom of climate change. Harvey was downgraded to a tropical storm after it came ashore last Friday.

“Climate change is not happening to our children and our grandchildren, it’s happening to us, right now in real time,” Koretz said.

The majority of scientists at organizations throughout the world have supported claims that human activity is contributing to climate change. But President Donald J. Trump has sided with the minority in the scientific community denouncing the link between humans and climate change, and that policy can reverse the trend.

Scientists have made it clear,” Ryu said. “We must stop burning fossil fuels in order to spare our children and their children from the devastating effects of climate change.

“The White House has turned its back on renewable energy and environmental justice. However, California will continue to lead our country with a clean environment and thousands of new green jobs by passing SB 100,” Koretz said.

Seven of the top 10 cities listed in the American Lung Association’s “State of the Air 2017” report as the most ozone-polluted cities are in California. The Los Angeles and Long Beach metropolitan area ranks first.

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Councilman Paul Koretz, 5th District
More women face homelessness in L.A.

BY IACLYN COSGROVE

An increasing number of women in Los Angeles are experiencing homelessness, and often, it is a result of the barriers they face in getting help for serious mental illness, domestic violence, human trafficking and drug addiction, a newly released report found.

Created by the Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority last fall, the Ad Hoc Committee on Women and Homelessness concluded its final report and recommendations on Friday, Aug. 25, outlining how community leaders can best help women who are homeless.

Local leaders started directing attention specifically toward women who were homeless after the annual point-in-time count in 2016 revealed a significant increase in homelessness among women. Among other findings, the data showed a 70 percent increase since 2009 in the number of unsheltered women in Los Angeles County, excluding Pasadena, Glendale and Long Beach.

Over the past several months, committee members compiled perspectives from a range of people including service providers, advocates and people who experienced homelessness firsthand with data.

“Combining vivid personal stories and expert analysis, this report offers providers, local government and elected officials with the guidance they need to reverse the rise in the number of women experiencing homelessness,” Wendy Greuel, chairwoman of the ad hoc committee and vice chair of the LAHSA Commission, said in a statement. “I’m tremendously proud of the committee members for their contributions to this landmark document.”

The committee’s overall conclusions were that Los Angeles must improve how services are delivered to women experiencing homelessness, collect better data, continuously train service providers and develop trauma-informed policies to help women.

The report outlines the level of danger many women who are homeless face. Nearly half (46 percent) of women report having been attacked or physically assaulted since becoming homeless. Among transgender women, the prevalence was even higher, at 63 percent.

“According to a 2001 study conducted in Los Angeles County, the average homeless woman experienced as much major violence in a single year as the average American woman experiences in her lifetime,” the report notes.

Additionally, many women who are homeless face serious health challenges, especially those who don’t spend nights in shelters. Almost 20 percent of sheltered women reported having a serious mental illness. Twice that number of women with serious mental illness, 40 percent, live unsheltered, spending nights in places “not designed for or ordinarily used as a regular sleeping accommodation for human beings.”

Meanwhile, the percentage of unsheltered women with a substance use disorder, 22 percent, is more than three times that of sheltered women – 7 percent.

One of the most significant impacts that women experiencing homelessness face is finding affordable housing. The Los Angeles area has been identified as the most cost-burdened in the United States, the report notes.

Additionally, there aren’t enough housing interventions to help women when they’re ready to access it, according to the report.

“Whether it is a victim of domestic violence who chooses to remain with her abuser rather than lose her apartment, an elderly woman with dementia who is evicted from her home, or an unsheltered woman on Skid Row who is subject to the daily violence of living on the streets,” the report notes, “the absence of safe and stable housing is a primary barrier for all women experiencing homelessness.”

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Los Angeles Mayor Eric Garcetti’s “10,000 Strong” veterans hiring initiative, has employed 10,500 Angelenos at more than 200 companies, surpassing its goal to connect 10,000 veterans to full-time employment by the end of 2017. “These men and women who served our country in uniform should come home to opportuni- ty,” said Garcetti. “Veterans are some of the hardest-working, most qualified and prepared people in Los Angeles, and they should have every chance to succeed in the work- place and make a living for themselves and their families. I am proud of the incredible suc- cess of 10,000 Strong, and grateful for everything it has accomplished for some of our most deserving workers and local employers.” The “10,000 Strong” initiative is a coalition of companies and community organizations that share the goal of connecting veter- ans with employment. By work- ing with local nonprofits, City WorkSource Centers and the Employment Development Department, “10,000 Strong” helps companies identify qualified veterans and fill open positions. The program also assists veterans with job training geared toward helping them transition military skills to the civilian workforce.

Employer partners include SpaceX, City National Bank, Call of Duty Endowment, NBCUniversal, Starbucks, Northrop Grumman, the Walt Disney Company, Metro and Advanced Security Concepts.

“The California National Bank is so proud to support this important initiative by the city of Los Angeles to get our veterans back to work,” said Martha Tuma, executive vice president and head of human resources for City National Bank in Los Angeles. “City National has a long history of supporting the communities in which we live and work and we couldn’t be more thrilled to share our efforts for this key project.”

In July, Garcetti was joined by representatives of Elon Musk, who are funding more than 50 other companies for the first in a series of training sessions to stimulate veteran hire- ing. The mayor is seeking to help businesses capitalize on the fed- eral Work Opportunity Tax Credit (WOTC), which is avail- able to employers that hire and retain workers from target groups that have “significant barriers to employment” including veter- ans. The underutilized tax credit can deliver up to $9,600 to employers per veteran hired. For information, visit lamayor.org.

Mayors advocate for laws

to fund affordable housing

Los Angeles Mayor Eric Garcetti traveled to the State Capitol on Wednesday to urge lawmakers to approve a legislative package that would fund the development of low- income and affordable housing, and ensure that housing construction meets growing demand across California.

The mayor called for the passage of SB2, which would raise hundreds of millions of dollars each year for affordable housing, and SB3, which would place a $4 billion general obligation bond on the November ballot.

“The California Dream belongs to everyone who calls our state home...”

— Mayor Eric Garcetti

Mayor Kevin Faulconer, San Francisco Mayor Ed Lee, Sacramento Mayor Darrell Steinberg, Oakland Mayor Libby Schaff, San Jose Mayor Sam Liccardo and Santa Ana Mayor Miguel Pulido.

Garcetti is continuing to address the housing affordability crisis in Los Angeles with a proposed Affordable Housing Linkage Fee, which would more than double the city’s produc- tion of affordable housing every year.

JFS plans to relocate services during
collection of the transformation of its Freda Mohr Multipurpose Center at 330 N. Fairfax Ave, and is notifying seniors, families and people with disabilities who receive services there about temporary relocation plans during construction.

JFS is planning to build the three-story Lois and Richard Gunther Center at the site, which will have 28,000 square feet of space and on-site parking. The new facility will house all services currently offered at the Freda Mohr Multipurpose Center, as well as the nearby Hirsch Family Kosher Kitchen and Café. To facilitate the project, JFS will provide tempo- rary services at 6310 S. San Vicente Blvd, Ste. 275. The build- ing is between Fairfax Avenue and Wiltshire Boulevard.

“...we will be working in hand-in-hand with all the clients to ensure there are transportation services and plans with whoever gets them to and from the center,” said JFS spokesman David Gershwin. “We anticipate the last service date will be in mid-September and we plan to open the [temporary] Freda Mohr Multipurpose Center just after. The idea is not to have any delay.”

The Hirsch Family Kosher Kitchen and Café, which serves meals to seniors and people with disabilities as well as offering a meal delivery service, will also be temporarily relocated in the build- ing on San Vicente Boulevard. Services currently offered at the Freda Mohr Multipurpose Center such as case management, family counseling, support groups and exercise classes will also be held at the temporary facility.

Gershwin did not have a time-line for construction. The project has already received approval and entitlements from the city.

The Freda Mohr Multipurpose Center has been located on Fairfax Avenue since the early 1950s – first on the west side of the street and later where it is currently locat- ed. It is named after the first exec- utive director of JFS. The Freda Mohr Multipurpose Center serves approximately 1,000 clients per month.

The new Lois and Richard Gunther Center will also serve as JFS headquarters, with offices of the third floor. It features a “Wall of Honor” recognizing supporters.

The project is funded through donations to a capital campaign. “It will be the flagship location for JFS,” Gershwin said.

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Fairfax High School reaches out for volunteer coaches

BY JACLYN COSGROVE

Calling all local athletes: Fairfax Senior High School has a job for you.

Athletic Director Shawe Cox said the school needs local residents to serve as walk-on and off-campus coaches.

Volunteer coaches would work with students to help them improve specific skills in many different sports.

“The broader vision is just trying to reach out into the community and get people involved that are in and around the area because we know there’s a lot of talent in our area,” Cox said.

The school also needs to hire for two paid positions, a boys tennis coach and a track coach for students with disabilities.

Cox, a football coach at Fairfax for 19 years, said in the past, when he tried to hire additional football coaches, they would often have a hard time making it to practice because of traffic and the distance they lived from the school.

“That’s why Cox hopes residents will sign up. Cox said volunteer coaches could enjoy serving their community and being a role model for young people.

“The Los Angeles Metropolitan Transportation Authority (Metro) is observing ongoing, year-round efforts to educate the public about train safety.

Safety Program is another component of the MCE. It conducts safety awareness of safety through in presentations at schools within a city streets. Additionally, the team conducts safety presentations at schools within a half-mile radius of the Blue, Expo and Gold lines that run alongside city streets. Additionally, the team conducts safety presentations at senior centers, recreation centers and other community organizations. For information, visit metro.net.

Los Angeles eligible for boost in homeless funding

The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development has announced that Los Angeles is eligible to apply for $111 million in The Continuum of Care Program Competition 2017 Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA).

The funds include a renewal amount of $105 million and a potential bonus of $6 million. The 2017 NOFA application period closes Thursday, Sept. 28, at 5 p.m.

The collective Los Angeles Continuum of Care NOFA application is submitted to HUD by the Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority, and covers all of Los Angeles County, with the exception of Glendale, Long Beach and Pasadena. Those cities submit their own applications.

For information, visit laha.org.

Weekend street closures needed for Regional Connector Transit Project

The Los Angeles Metropolitan Transportation Authority (Metro) has announced that beginning Friday, Sept. 8, crews will begin weekend closures on Flower Street between Fifth and Sixth streets in downtown Los Angeles for decking installation work required for the Regional Connector Transit Project.

The first weekend closure will start at 7 p.m. on Friday, Sept. 8 and remain in place through 5 a.m. on Monday, Sept. 11. The weekend closures will continue every weekend for approximately three months.

Crews will remove the roadway and install pilings. The work also includes excavation and the installation of deck panels that will serve as a temporary roadway during construction of the tunnel beneath the street.

The $1.7-billion Regional Connector Transit Project is a 1.9-mile underground light-rail extension that will connect the Blue, Expo and Gold lines to downtown Los Angeles. For information, visit metro.net.

Purple Line project is moving full steam ahead

Work is continuing on the Purple Line Extension along Wilshire Boulevard Conduit placement is occurring daily from 8 p.m. to 6:30 a.m. through Friday, Sept. 1 at the intersection of Tower Drive and Wilshire Boulevard.

Tower Drive will be closed just south of Wilshire Boulevard, and traffic will be reduced to one lane in each direction on Wilshire Boulevard from Gale Drive to San Vicente Boulevard. There will also be a temporary sidewalk closure on the north side of Wilshire Boulevard just west of San Vicente Boulevard.

Potholing, piling, instrumentation and steel deliveries are also continuing on the western segment along Wilshire Boulevard between San Vicente and La Cienega boulevards.

Near Wilshire Boulevard and Fairfax Avenue, the excavation, hauling and utility work is ongoing. Additionally, potholing and jet grouting preparation is occurring near Wilshire Boulevard and Cloverdale Avenue, and excavation is ongoing near Wilshire Boulevard and La Brea Avenue.

Crews are working above and below ground at multiple locations along the Purple Line Extension project.

Members of the public with questions or concerns about Purple Line Extension construction activity can also call the 24-hour project hotline at (213)922-6934, and email the project team at purplelineext@metro.net.

Crews are working above and below ground at multiple locations along the Purple Line Extension project.

photo courtesy of Metro
Cedars-Sinai is bolstering an ongoing effort to strengthen the social safety net in the Los Angeles region with a third year of grants totaling $4.8 million to programs that address the physical and mental healthcare needs of many underserved populations, including the homeless, at-risk youth,immigrants and others.
The funding represents Cedars-Sinai’s latest steps to increase financial, administrative and leadership effectiveness at community clinics and mental health organizations. The goal is to increase access and reduce disparities to those in need of health services.

“Hundreds of thousands of people in Los Angeles receive care at community health centers. In this time of healthcare uncertainty, the role of these community clinics has only grown in importance,” said Jonathan Schrieter, director of community engagement at Cedars-Sinai. “We believe we can impact the efficiency and quality of care given to LA’s most vulnerable populations with ongoing support for local healthcare institutions.”

The Cedars-Sinai Community Clinic Initiative was launched three years ago to strengthen the leadership and effectiveness of local clinics with a two-pronged approach. Cedars-Sinai invested strategically in broad community-wide efforts to improve quality care, financial benchmarking, data analysis and leadership development at clinics in the Los Angeles area. The community partners involved in this initiative include Capital Link, the Center for Care Innovations, the Community Clinic Association of Los Angeles County, Healthforce Center at UCSF, the Institute for High Quality Care, the L.A. Trust for Children’s Health and the Southside Coalition of Community Health Centers.

Cedars-Sinai also provided grants directly to individual clinics to improve their quality of care and patients’ experience. This component of the Community Clinic Initiative benefited a diverse set of partners, including The Achievable Foundation, a health center that treats children and adults with developmental disabilities; Los Angeles Christian Health Centers, whose Joshua House location serves the homeless population in downtown Los Angeles; and the Korean Health, Education, Information & Research (KHEIR) Center in Koreatown.

Through the Community Clinic Initiative, partners such as KHEIR have been able to participate in programs focused on quality improvement and the efficient management of clinic and health data. In addition, a grant from Cedars-Sinai allowed KHEIR to expand its successful chronic care program to promote diabetes self-management for Spanish-speaking patients. KHEIR’s community health center also is implementing new medical record software to track diabetes patients’ health.

Additionally, this year’s grants went to 13 mental health partner organizations that treat uninsured and undocumented patients with mental health issues, substance use disorders and other challenges.

For information, visit cedars-sinai.edu/CBGO.
The Beverly Hills Community Dog Park’s first anniversary celebration, Bark’s & Breakfast, will take place on Sept. 10 from 10:30 a.m. to noon at the dog park located at 344 North Foothill Road. All humans and dogs are welcome.

Mayor Lili Bosse will officiate the anniversary celebration, sponsored by the Friends of Beverly Gardens Park and the City of Beverly Hills Recreation and Parks Commission. Breakfast treats will be provided through donations from Toast Bakery Café, Beverly Hills Market & Deli, Urth Caffé, Pusy & Pooch, The Amanda Foundation, The Larder at Maple Drive and Pet Food Express.

For information, visit beverlyhills.org/dogpark or call (310)288-2220.

Schiff amendment would add rules to Secret Service funds

Rep. Adam Schiff (D-Burbank) announced on Wednesday that he will introduce an amendment to the Department of the Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act that would prohibit the payment of Secret Service funds to entities owned or operated by the president or his immediate family. Media reports have said the president and his family’s frequent visits to locations owned by the Trump Organization have put an unprecedented strain on the Secret Service’s budget and manpower.

Based on General Accountability Office estimates of comparable travel from previous administrations, each visit to a Trump Organization location by the president and his family costs an estimated $3 million.

Much of this money is paid to the Trump Organization itself, including a substantial amount for the rental of golf carts — at an estimated cost of $60,000 to taxpayers — and other expenses necessary for security.

The act allocates funding for government programs for Fiscal Year 2018. The bill will be considered by Congress in September.

**USC unveils its new $700 million complex**

USC Village, a $700 million, 15-acre residential and retail complex that will house more than 2,500 students above a variety of dining and entertainment options opened at the university earlier this month.

The complex will serve as the LA 2028 Media Village, a key component of LA 2028’s “Main Press Center cluster.” The MPC cluster is anchored by USC’s new Annenberg Hall, a five-minute walk from the Media Village, offering members of the media convenience, state-of-the-art workplace facilities and on-site support and catering services. The media transport rail will be located within the secure perimeter of this MPC cluster, providing a “clean to clean” experience for media moving between their housing, the MPC and IBC and other secured Olympic sites.

LA 2028’s use of the USC Village is consistent with the bid committee’s low-risk approach of utilizing existing and privately funded facilities to deliver world-class, sustainable games.

**DWP hosted 2017 vendor fair for economic development**

The Los Angeles Department of Water and Power (DWP) last week hosted a 2017 vendor fair, entitled “Transforming Connectivity.”

The event was organized by LADWP to help promote economic development, diversity in contracting, and excellence in water and power service to the residents of Los Angeles. The fair provided a forum for entrepreneurs and businesses to network with DWP staff and large prime contractors to develop new alliances and build business relationships for future contracting opportunities with DWP. More than 500 attendees were present.

Posed to award more than $3 billion in contracts over the next five to 10 years, DWP is encouraging the participation of more suppliers, contractors, and subcontractors, especially small-, minority-, female-, and disabled veteran-owned business enterprises. Upcoming DWP contracts include provision of equipment, materials and construction management services to upgrade infrastructure and support major capital programs necessary for building reliable and sustainable water and power infrastructure and meeting regulatory mandates.

“Fostering business connections not only helps LADWP find the best options to complement our business operations. It also allows us to promote opportunities for all businesses and ultimately economic development in our city,” said David H. Wright, DWP general manager. “We are pleased with the participation of many companies at this networking event, and I hope this leads to valuable business opportunities for all.”

Gwendolyn Williams, LADWP’s Director of Supply Chain Services, said the event is part of the department’s “vision of success.”

“This year’s vendor connection event is a crucial component in the development of that identity,” she said.

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The U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) on Aug. 14 awarded approximately $4.9 million to six universities and a university-gov- erned nonprofit to support transi- tioning the West Coast “ShakeAlert” earthquake early warning system into production. The awards will fund a new two-year cooperative agreement with California Institute of Technology, University of Washington, University of California Berkeley, University of Oregon, University of Nebraska, and University of Nevada and UNAVCO. Additionally, the USGS purchased approximately $1 in new sensor equipment to expand and improve the “ShakeAlert” system. The pro- grams, as well as internal work that the USGS is conducting, are possi- ble because of $15 million in fund- ing to the USGS Earthquake Hazards Program for “ShakeAlert” provided by Congress earlier this year.

Rep. Adam Schiff (D-Calif.), who has led in securing the funds for the programs in annual congressional funding bills for a West Coast earth- quake early warning system, said he was pleased with the new allocation. The additional $4.9 million awarded to the earthquake early warning system brings us one step closer to fully deploying this tech- nology, which can save lives in the event of a major earthquake,” Schiff said. “We will continue to work on a bipartisan basis to provide funding for this vital public safety system to ensure it reaches its full poten- tial. We know that it is a matter of when, not if a major earthquake will strike the West Coast, and a fully operational early warning system will help us be ready.”

As a regional warning system can give people a few seconds to stop what they are doing and take protective measures before severe shaking starts. Under the new cooperative agreements, the USGS and its seven university and nonprofit partners will collaborate to improve the “ShakeAlert” system’s sensor and communication infrastructure throughout the West Coast. “ShakeAlert” is a new program in the USGS Advanced National Seismic System, a federation of national and regional earthquake monitoring networks throughout the United States, including California, Nevada and states in the Pacific Northwest.

In 2018, Schiff previously secured $8.2 million in a Fiscal Year 2016 fund- ing bill specifically designated for a West Coast Earthquake Early Warning System. The funding was a substantial increase over what the president requested in his bud- get. In 2015, Schiff also led a group of 35 Members of Congress – pri- marily from California, Washington, and Oregon – to request that the Appropriations Committee fund an Earthquake Early Warning System for the West Coast.

CHLA gets high marks for rehabilitation programs

Children’s Hospital Los Angeles (CHLA), which runs one of the largest acute pediatric rehabilitation centers in the country, has been accredited by CARF International for its pediatric inpatient medical rehabilitation programs.

CARF International (formerly the Commission on Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities) is an independent nonprofit surveying com- mission that establishes benchmarks for rehabilitation programs and services. CHLA is the only facility in Southern California, and one of only 32 in the world, to receive the CARF accreditation.

In the spring of 2015, CARF surveyed CHLA in late June to conduct interviews, observe organizational practices and review documentation as part of the assessment. In addition to examining factors like fiscal responsi- bility, average length of stay and patient satisfaction, CARF places a strong emphasis on how well a hospital includes and considers a patient’s family and community support systems. To receive accredit- ation, facilities must have culturally sensitive, interdisciplinary pro- grams that are successful, open and responsive to the needs of patients and families.

CHLA provides coordinated rehabilitation care through nursing, physical and occupational therapy, hearing and speech therapy, social work and play-centered activities for children with stroke, cancer, brain and spinal cord injuries or disorders, seizures and rheumatolog- ic disorders. For information, visit CHLA.org.

City participation encourages in new recycLA program

Los Angeles Sanitation and the city launched the first phase of “recyLA,” a new business and multifamily dwelling recycling and waste collection program that will be implemented over a six-month period.

The program provides recycling and waste collection services to 80,000 multifamily or small apart- ment complexes account- ably in Los Angeles, many of which previously had access to a recycling program. LA Sanitation is encouraging residents to take part in the program and schedule a waste assessment as soon as possible.

The new program divides the city into 11 zones that will each be served exclusively by a single ser- vice provider, ensuring cleaner air and less wear on streets by using fewer trucks. It will also provide reliable and responsive customer service, predictable and protected rates, and much needed infrastructure and equipment improvements. However, Zaldivar cautioned that some multifamily apart- ment complex owners have not previously had the opportunity to recycle, they will need to partici- pate in a process to “right size” their new service plans, Zaldivar said.

Additionally, some charges that are standard in other cities, includ- ing distance fees, were often waived under Los Angeles’ previ- ous system, at the cost of lower standards in other areas of service, which Zaldivar added. The charges were now being assessed, frustrating some recyLA customers, he said. A specialist with service provider is contact- ing each customer in their zone and will meet with the customer to guide them through a “right-sizing” process known as “waste character- ization assessment.” It will provide the opportunity to most effectively manage potential increases and to clearly understand the process, Zaldivar said.

Residents served by recyLA are urged to schedule a waste assess- ment immediately and work with designated service providers to develop a service plan regarding the size of service and frequency of collect- ion. Residents having difficulty con- necting with a service provider should complete an assessment should contact LA Sanitation at (800)773- 2489, or visit recyLA.com.

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Golden Road’s ‘Made in L.A.’

Golden Road Brewery presents ‘Made in L.A.’ – a two-day music and arts festival on Saturday, Sept. 2 and Sunday, Sept. 3 featuring performances by Warren G, YACHT and Buyepongo. Visit vendor booths, eat innovative fare and enjoy a large selection of freshly brewed craft beer. All proceeds benefit Alex’s Lemonade Stand Foundation; reservations are suggested. 5410 W. San Fernando Road. Visit bit.ly/madeinLAfest.

Bagel Broker turns 30

The Bagel Broker is celebrating 30 years in Los Angeles on Tuesday, Sept. 5 by giving customers born in 1987 a dozen free bagels. From Monday, Sept. 11 through Sunday, Sept. 17, bring in a 1987 school yearbook with your senior photo and receive 30 bagels for the price of 24. From Monday, Sept. 18 through Sunday, Sept. 24, celebrate with 30-cent small coffees. The Bagel Broker is also holding a bagel sandwich contest from Tuesday, Sept. 5 through Tuesday, Sept. 19. Submit an Instagram photo of a sandwich creation and tag @bagelbrokerla and #bagelbroker30. The winning sandwich will be featured in October and the winner will receive free bagels for a year. 7825 Beverly Blvd., (323)931-1258.

L.A. loves Alex’s Lemonade

Chef David Lentz of The Hungry Cat will host special guests Neil Bodenheimer, Turk Detrich and Ryan Gannon, of Cure in New Orleans, for the 9th annual food and drink festival on Thursday, Sept. 7 at 7 p.m. Bodenheimer, Detrich and Gannon will mix special cocktails while Lentz prepares “NOLA-inspired” seafood dishes. The menu includes soft-shell crab po-boys, oyster loaf and fried soft-shell crawfish. All proceeds benefit Alex’s Lemonade Stand Foundation; reservations are suggested. 1535 N. Vine St., (323)462-2155.

Officine BRERA whiskey dinner

Executive chef Angelo Auriana is partnering with American whiskey producer WhistlePig for an intimate multi-course dinner on Wednesday, Sept. 6 from 6 to 9 p.m. at Officine BRERA. WhistlePig’s master distiller David Pickerell will discuss the company’s history and guide diners through a tasting. Courses include almond wood-grilled lamb chop with lardo-whipped potatoes paired with a 15-year straight rye. Dessert is a coffee-infused dark chocolate budino with a WhistlePig Old World Cask finish. The dinner is $87.5 per person, including tax and gratuity. Reservations required by visiting eventbrite.com/e/officine-breras-chef-angelo-auriana-welcomes-whistlepig-master-distiller-dave-pickerell-for-a-tickets-37016358926. 1331 E. Sixth St. (213)553-8006.

See Restaurant News page 15
New merchants give visitors more reasons to ‘meet at Third and Fairfax’

The Original Farmers Market, corner of Third and Fairfax, has welcomed five new merchants.

Michelina Artisan Boulanger offers artisan breads like multi-grain and sourdough, premium desserts such as macarons, and café favorites including tarts, pastries, bagels, croissants, and salads. Named after owner Vincent Benoliel’s wife Michelle, the unique bakery is filled with the aroma of freshly baked dough daily. Benoliel has more than 20 years of baking experience in Paris.

Cool off at Local Ice, a Studio City ice cream favorite, with handcrafted treats in delectable flavors such as Tommy’s Traditional Vanilla, Samantha’s Sweet Strawberry, Josh’s Java, Cookie Monster, Salty Sam’s Caramel, Banana Foster and more at their new Original Farmers Market stand.

Kiehl’s natural health and beauty products help protect the skin. Founded 165 years ago in New York’s East Village, Kiehl’s began as an old-world apothecary and now brings its premium skin, hair and body care products to the Market.

Additionally, Batson Barbershop is capturing the spirit and service of traditional barbershops of the past with classic haircuts and hot towel shaves. The shop also offers modern services such as nose and ear waxing. Owner John Batson is the head barber and an expert in shaves, fades, trims and more.

For those seeking the débonair style of a Parisian woman, Oh Waouh Salon offers trendy styles and fashionable cuts. The specialty merchant is owned and operated by Beverly Hills aestheticien Deborah Pariente, a native of France, who provides professional beauty services ranging from facials and anti-aging treatments to hair color and blowouts – with or without appointments.

The Original Farmers Market is located at 6333 W. Third St. For information, call (323)933-9211, or visit farmersmarketla.com.

Try fresh-baked pastries at the new artisan bakery, Michelina.
At 10:45 a.m., an unknown suspect committed a burglary in the 200 block of N. Almont Drive. The loss was estimated at $132.

At 12:01 a.m., an unknown suspect committed petty theft in the 8100 block of Wilshire. The loss was estimated at $200.

Aug. 20 At 12:37 a.m., an unknown suspect committed a burglary in the 9500 block of Wilshire. The loss was approximately 63 years old, 6 feet tall and 180 pounds. The loss was valued at $4,450.

Four unknown suspects, two male and the others female, committed a grand theft in the 9700 block of Wilshire at 4:22 a.m. No further information was provided about the suspects.

West Hollywood Sheriff’s Station Aug. 21 At 2 a.m., an unknown suspect burglarized a vehicle parked near the corner of Huntley and Metrose.

An unknown suspect committed a burglary in the 9620 block of Highland at 12:01 a.m. No further details were provided.

An unknown male suspect assaulted a victim in the 700 block of Alta Drive at 4 a.m. The suspect was approximately 39 years old, 5 feet 6 inches tall and 119 pounds.

An unknown male suspect assaulted a victim in the 700 block of N. Almont Drive at 12:01 a.m. No further details were provided.

An unknown suspect committed a burglary in the 9500 block of Wilshire at 11:40 p.m. No further details were provided.

An unknown suspect committed a burglary in the 9600 block of Wilshire at 4:22 a.m. The loss was at $800.

At 5:13 a.m., an unknown female suspect assaulted a victim near the corner of South Doheny Drive and Olympic. The suspect was approximately 39 years old, 5 feet 5 inches tall and 119 pounds.

At 7:30 a.m., two unknown suspects, one male and the other female, committed a burglary in the 9620 block of Brighton Way. The male suspect was approximately 6 feet tall and 160 pounds. Their vehicle was suspected to be approximately 6 feet 6 inches tall and 140 pounds.

At 7 a.m., an unknown suspect committed a burglary in the 800 block of N. Western.

An unknown suspect burglarized a vehicle parked in the 8300 block of Santa Monica.

At 7:30 a.m., an unknown suspect committed a grand theft in the 8300 block of Santa Monica.

At 8:30 a.m., an unknown suspect committed petty theft in the 1100 block of S. Cahuenga.

At 11 a.m., an unknown suspect burglarized a vehicle parked in the 7000 block of Wilshire. The injury was reported near the corner of Sunset and Wasco.

West Hollywood Police Department Aug. 22 At 5 p.m., an unknown suspect committed petty theft in the 7400 block of Selma. The loss was approximately 6 feet 6 inches tall and 119 pounds.

At 7 a.m., an unknown suspect burglarized a vehicle parked near the corner of Rosewood and Orange.

An unknown suspect committed a petty theft in the 8400 block of Clinton at 9 a.m.

At 1:43 p.m., an unknown suspect committed a petty theft in the 100 block of S. Flores.

An unknown suspect committed a theft in the 1100 block of S. La Brea at 3 p.m.

An unknown suspect burglarized a vehicle parked in the 8400 block of Clinton at 9 a.m.

At 12:45 a.m., an unknown suspect committed a petty theft near the corner of Fountain and Poinsettia Place.

An unknown suspect burglarized a vehicle parked in the 9500 block of Wilshire.

An unknown suspect committed a burglary in the 1100 block of N. Genesee at 9 a.m.

At 10:50 a.m., an unknown suspect committed a theft in the 100 block of N. La Brea.

An unknown suspect committed a theft in the 8400 block of Hollywood at 3 p.m.

At 4:30 p.m., an unknown suspect committed petty theft in the 100 block of Fuller.

At 8:30 a.m., an unknown suspect committed petty theft in the 600 block of N. Santa Monica.

At 1:43 p.m., an unknown suspect committed petty theft in the 100 block of N. La Brea.

At 7 a.m., an unknown suspect committed a petty theft in the 600 block of N. Western.

An unknown suspect committed a petty theft in the 5700 block of Santa Monica at 7:30 a.m.

At 8:55 a.m., an unknown suspect committed petty theft in the 600 block of N. Saint Andrews Place.

An unknown suspect burglarized a vehicle parked in the 7700 block of Beverly at 11:30 a.m.

At 7:30 a.m., an unknown suspect committed petty theft in the 300 block of S. La Brea.

An unknown suspect committed petty theft in the 7900 block of Blackburn at 1 p.m.

At 1:15 p.m., an unknown suspect committed petty theft near the corner of Burton Way and Wililam.

At 1:30 p.m., an unknown suspect committed petittheft in the 700 block of Hudson.

An unknown suspect burglarized a vehicle parked in the 6200 block of Wilshire.

At 3:25 p.m., an unknown suspect burglarized a vehicle parked in the 7000 block of Hawthorn.

An unknown suspect burglarized a vehicle parked near the corner of Vine and Camerford at 9 p.m.

At 10 p.m., an unknown suspect committed a theft in the 600 block of N. Los Angeles.

An unknown suspect burglarized a vehicle parked in the 1200 block of N. Gower.

An unknown suspect committed a burglary in the 6300 block of Wilshire at 1 p.m.

At 2:30 a.m., an unknown suspect pickedpocketed a victim in the 1400 block of N. Mansfield at 8:55 p.m.

At 10:30 p.m., an unknown suspect burglarized a vehicle parked in the 7200 block of Hollywood.

At 12:01 a.m., an unknown suspect committed a burglary in the 1200 block of N. Gower.

An unknown suspect committed a burglary in the 6300 block of Wilshire at 11:30 a.m.

At 12:00 a.m., an unknown suspect committed petty theft in the 8200 block of Wilshire.

At 11:00 a.m., an unknown suspect committed petty theft in the 800 block of N. Western.

At 3:00 a.m., an unknown suspect committed petty theft in the 700 block of S. Highland.

At 2:45 p.m., an unknown suspect committed petty theft in the 600 block of S. Michigan.

At 1:15 p.m., an unknown suspect committed petty theft in the 700 block of N. Saint Andrews.

At 1:30 a.m., an unknown suspect committed petty theft in the 600 block of S. Western.

At 7 a.m., a victim assaulted a victim in the 700 block of S. Highland.

At 10:29 p.m., an unknown suspect committed a burglary in the 700 block of S. Highland.

At 10:40 p.m., an unknown suspect committed petty theft in the 700 block of S. Highland.

At 11:15 p.m., an unknown suspect committed petty theft in the 800 block of N. Wilshire.

At 12:10 a.m., an unknown suspect committed petty theft in the 1600 block of N. Sunset.

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Kettle Black happy hour and Sunday Supper

Enjoy a Peroni, frosted or glass of red or white wine with a slice of margherita pizza for $8 during Kettle Black’s daily happy hour from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Guests with larger appetites can order a whole margherita pizza with a Peroni or glass of red or white wine for $15. Also new is the Sunday Supper series featuring a three-course Italian dinner for $20 per person. Bottles of chianti and pinot grigio are just $20. Olympia Lager is also $3 per glass on Sundays. 3705 W. Sunset Blvd., (323)641-3705.

Tower 12 football season specials

On weekends the beachside bar and restaurant Tower 12 opens at 9 a.m. Enjoy college football and NFL games with all-day drink specials including a 32-ounce double-tap flight beer for the price of a pint, 22-ounce mimosas for $6, half-priced bloody Marys and half-priced micheladas. Food specials are served until 11 a.m. and include a $6 breakfast biscuit blitz with scrambled egg, cheese, savory maple sauce and choice of apple-wood smoked bacon or sausage. The biscuits are served with tots. 53 Pier Ave., Hermosa Beach. (310)561-6008.

Sawyer happy hour

Sit on the patio and enjoy a daily happy hour at Sawyer from 4 to 7 p.m. Specials include fried chicken sandwiches with house-made dill pickles and red cabbage slaw for $7. A half-dozen oysters of the day with mignonette, horseradish, lemon, crystal hot sauce and choice of apple-wood smoked bacon or sausage for $4. 3709 Sunset Blvd., (323)364-3709.

Astro Doughnuts and Fried Chicken

Astro Doughnuts and Fried Chicken is open on Sundays from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. so football fans can pick up chicken wings in a Sunday Funday basket for $39.95. The basket includes 20 Astro Wings either Korean barbecue or sriracha buffalo sauce; two vanilla glazed and two seasonal doughnuts; four orders of tater tots and a large side of kimchi coleslaw. The Astro Wings, which are also available in six-piece individual orders for $9.50, are offered all day on Sunday and by advanced order on other days. Breakfast is also served all day on Sunday. Enjoy fried chicken and sausage gravy, fried chicken honey with hot sauce and honey butter, and fried farm fresh eggs on a choice of doughnut, potato roll or cheddar biscuit. New on the breakfast menu is The Works featuring fried chicken, bacon, egg and cheese on a cheddar biscuit for $9. 516 W. Sixth St., (213)622-7876.

Wood & Vine new menu

Wood & Vine owner Scott Kay welcomes executive chef Jennifer O’Neil to his Hollywood dining destination, where O’Neil is unveiling her new menu for local diners and the Hollywood Pantages Theatre’s “Hamilton” audiences. Located directly across the street from the venue, guests can enjoy pre-theater cocktails at an exposed brick and wood bar or dine al fresco on the unique urban back patio. O’Neil, who came to Wood & Vine from Leona in Venice, has created a high-end comfort food menu. Dishes include pork belly tacos, lamb burgers, branzino filet with roasted tomato caper tapenade and pistachio-crusted rack of lamb. Additionally, the restaurant’s “From Vine to Vine” wine dinner series features a partnership with K&L Wine Merchants. A special four-course wine dinner with Alysian Wine will be held on Sept. 20 for $60. The restaurant also offers a members-only “Vine Club” offering free bites and drinks, as well as free tickets to exclusive events. 5300 Hollywood Blvd. (323)334-3360.

SpeakEasy at The Larchmont

The Larchmont is holding “Larchmont Candle Nights” on Friday and Saturday nights from 5:30 to midnight, with drinks and snacks in a pop-up fashion with no reservations necessary. Try a “Real Whiskey Sour,” pictured above, made with Templeton Rye. The Larchmont will also debut a new lunch menu on Sunday, Sept. 10. 5750 Melrose Ave., (323)464-4277.

Ultimate game day at Public School

Celebrate Monday Night Football with $5 buffalo fried chicken sliders, burger sliders and foot-long hot dogs at Public School. Wings are $7 and $4 beer specials are available from 4 p.m. until closing at the bar or on the patio. 612 S. Flower St., #220, (213)622-4500; 15300 Ventura Blvd. #102G, (818)728-9818; 9411 Culver Blvd., (310)588-0414.

Forman’s Whiskey Tavern

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"Beach Rats" is a reminder of the loneliness of finding yourself

In this coming-of-age drama, "Beach Rats" is a reminder of how lonely coming out as a gay teen can be.

"Beach Rats" follows Frankie, a Brooklyn teenager who, through trial and error, is trying to figure out who he wants to be.

Throughout the film, Frankie, played by actor Harris Dickinson, does what he thinks he must do to fit in. He steals drugs from his parents, giving them to his group of aimless friends. He finds a pretty girlfriend, Simone, a girl his friends envy him for dating. To his friends and family, Frankie is a straight, introverted guy.

But inside, Frankie is struggling.

At night, Frankie logs onto an online hookup site for men. Frankie chooses older men because they won't know any of his friends, and he won't have any chance of seeing them outside of dingy hotel rooms and dark beaches — or so he thinks.

One of the film’s more painful moments is when Frankie takes photos in front of a mirror at home with his girlfriend, Simone. The photos feel incredibly similar to the photos he took of himself for the hookup websites he uses to meet older men. The duality of his life in this moment is abundantly clear.

On an episode of the podcast, "The Close-Up" by the Film Society of Lincoln Center, director Eliza Hittman talked about why she used such tight shots throughout the film.

"Beach Rats" is filmed on Super 16mm film, and Hittman and French cinematographer Hélène Louvart chose to shoot "Beach Rats" with limited light because that’s the world they saw when studying the cruising scene that pops up along secluded New York beaches.

“We decided to shoot on Super 16 because we wanted the film to have sort of a timeless feeling... I think it’s a story that has a timeless feeling and also (is) an area that’s sort of trapped in time,” Hittman said on the podcast. “And also, all these digital cameras are so phenomenal, and (with) how light sensitive they are – we were like ‘We don’t want the sensitivity to the light.’ We wanted to be able to shape the darkness. “Beach Rats” is indeed a beautiful film. However, the film ends abruptly and without a necessary moment of vulnerability or honesty from Frankie. That could arguably be because, as a teenager, Frankie realistically might not be ready to have that moment.

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Eliza Hittman,
Director
“Beach Rats”

Simone (Madeline Weinstein) in Eliza Hittman’s “Beach Rats.”

Frankie (Harris Dickinson) and his crew roam Coney Island in Eliza Hittman’s “Beach Rats.”

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Film critic Tim Posada is away from the office on paternity leave until late September. Reporter Jaclyn Cosgrove will review films until his return.
The Los Angeles Chamber Orchestra’s (LACO) is offering its “Campus to Concert Hall All Access Pass” for college students ages 17 to 30. The $30 pass provides admission to 30 LACO concerts during the orchestra’s 2017-18 season.

Pass holders can attend all eight of LACO’s “Orchestral Series” concerts at the Alex Theatre, Caltech’s Beckman Auditorium and UCLA’s Royce Hall; three “In Focus” programs offering insights into chamber music repertoire at Santa Monica’s Moss Theater and San Marino’s Huntington Gardens; five “Baroque Conversations” programs, with repertoire from early Baroque through the pre-classical period at Zipper Hall; and three “Sound Investment” salons, at which attendees mingle with a composer and learn about their artistic process. As a bonus, the All Access Pass includes access to performance after parties, advance reservation privileges and the option to reserve up to three additional tickets for $8 each for college friends (valid college ID required). The student pass, offered for the seventh year, helps build appreciation for classical music among younger audiences.

“Our ‘Campus to Concert Hall All Access Pass’ makes it affordable for students to attend multiple performances for substantially less than the cost of a movie, or even a latte,” said Lacey Huszcza, LACO’s senior director of advancement and strategic engagement. “Although LACO offers student tickets at $8, the ‘All Access Pass’ makes tickets even more affordable and easy to reserve in advance.”

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Chamber Orchestra offers pass taking students from campus to concert hall

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Students join Wilshire Division officers for ‘Shop With a Cop’

Officers from the Los Angeles Police Department’s Wilshire Division accompanied approximately 50 children during the police station’s “Shop With a Cop” event on Aug. 16. The students each received approximately $100 in school supplies. When some of the students went over the $100 limit, officers paid the difference. The students were joined by Sgt. Cleon Joseph and Officer Tanya Milliner.

“Shop With a Cop” was made possible by philanthropist Dave Anderson through the Matthew 25:35 Foundation, whose mission is based on the Bible verse, “I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in, I needed clothes and you clothed me.”

The nonprofit is dedicated to providing underserved individuals with food, shelter, clothing, education and other necessities. A $62,500 donation from the Matthew 25:35 Foundation was shared by the LAPD’s 21 divisions, with pre-selected students from each area receiving school supplies.

Students shopped with Wilshire Division police officers at Staples on Wilshire Boulevard.

photo courtesy of Sgt. Cleon Joseph

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Torlakson denounces racism and hate in letter to school districts

California Superintendent of Public Instruction Tom Torlakson sent a letter to school leaders on Aug. 24 denouncing racism and encouraging schools to celebrate diversity as the new school year begins.

The letter was mailed to county and district school superintendents and charter school administrators in more than 1,025 school districts.

“I want to let all California educators, students and their families know that I reject the hatred, racism and violence so sadly displayed earlier this month in Charlottesville,” Torlakson said. “Hateful rhetoric and disgusting, failed ideologies should stay buried in the dustbins of history. We need to join together as Americans and denounce all who preach hate instead of the love, acceptance and understanding that should define our 21st century.”

Torlakson also spoke about hate and racism last week at a preview of “Charlottesville” from the Learning Policy Institute available by visiting learningpolicyinstitute.org.

**Garcetti seeks students for Mayor’s Youth Council**

Los Angeles Mayor Eric Garcetti is calling on young people to join the Mayor’s Youth Council, a one-year program for Los Angeles high school students promoting civic engagement and inspiring the next generation of leaders.

Council members advocate for causes relevant to youth in Los Angeles, and the council gives young people a voice at City Hall. The Youth Council includes high school students from diverse educational backgrounds representing all 15 City Council districts.

Each district has its own group that meets monthly. They are led by a representative from the Mayor’s Office of Public Engagement. Additionally, Youth Council members convene throughout the program, giving student leaders a chance to connect and share best practices.

Meetings are dedicated to a specific theme, with topics such as civic leadership, community landscaping, grassroots organizing, civic engagement at the college level, public speaking, professional development and community service. Guest speakers from the governmental, nonprofit, corporate and labor sectors will address the Youth Council. Members also have the opportunity to volunteer at community events and receive professional development training.

For information and applications, visitlamayor.org/myc.

**Spend the night at the zoo for close-up fun with the animals**

The Los Angeles Zoo offers “Zoopendous Nights,” overnight adventures for school groups, scout troops and other organizations that include hands-on animal activities and beastly bedtime stories.

Young visitors can tour the zoo after dark and enjoy pizza and salad. After a continental breakfast the following morning, participants will meet some of the zoo’s animal ambassadors. Scouts can earn a badge during the overnight experience. This event is for children 6 through 12.

The program runs from approximately 6 p.m. to 9:15 a.m. the next day. The cost is $60 per person; the programs begin in October.

For students and teachers, visit cde.ca.gov.

Girl Scouts earned a badge for attending the overnight experience at the Los Angeles Zoo, and by the looks of it, had a great time.

**Back to School**

A perfect vehicle for schools, tutors, after-school camps, book stores, and after school “treats” to appeal to students and parents!
Tickets are available for a staged reading of the classic Rodney Dangerfield film “Back to School” on Wednesday, Sept. 6 at 7 p.m. at Los Angeles City College (LACC) in the historic El Camino Theatre.

“Back to School: The Live Stage Reading” stars Brad Garrett, Rachel Skarsten, William Atherton, Paul Rodriguez, Craig Gass, Harry Basil, Sarah Levy and Devon Werkheiser. It will be held on the LACC campus.

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Doctors, pharmacists and other health care professionals are heading back to school at Cedars-Sinai Medical Center, joining the first class of a new accredited master’s degree program in health delivery science.

The program offers an advanced curriculum focused on measuring and improving the value of health care. The executive-style program emphasizes applied analytical skills, digital health science, health care finance and performance improvement so students can help prepare health care professionals for a changing marketplace that is increasingly rewarding medical providers for measurable outcomes and cost-effectiveness.

It’s about improving quality of care while also reducing cost,” said incoming program director Dr. Lili Shek, associate program director of the Cedars-Sinai Internal Medicine Residency Training Program. “As practicing physicians, we need to use big data to our advantage and create a measurable plan to improve the patient care process so we can provide safe, efficient and effective care.”

The program, which is accredited by the Western Association of Schools and Colleges, includes 15 months of after-hours classroom instruction followed by five months of field work at Cedars-Sinai or other health care organizations.

For information, visit cedars-sinai.edu.

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KCCA holds next session of Korean language classes

The Korean Cultural Center of Los Angeles (KCCA) will hold its third quarter of Korean language classes beginning on Tuesday, Sept. 12.

Ten classes and all levels of instruction are offered. Most classes are held at the KCCA in the Miracle Mile and the Korean Education Center in Koreatown, although some course levels are offered at the Korean Education Center.

classes are held every Tuesday evening from 7 to 9 p.m. for 12 weeks. The program is open to students 18 and older. KCCA is located at 5505 Wilshire Blvd.

The Korean Education Center is located at 680 Wilshire Place, Ste. 200. For information, visit kcca.org.

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Harvey devastates

Greater Houston launched a relief fund donation campaign to help meet storm-related needs and recovery in their community. For more information, visit unitedwayhouston.org/flood/food-donation.

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Protests. An amendment emerged that coinciding with the United Nations’ International Day of the World’s Indigenous Peoples, the council rejected the amendment. Councilmen Gil Cedillo, 1st District, Mitchell Englander, 12th District, and Councilman Mike Bonin, 11th District, said Indigenous Peoples Day opening in Dallas, working with city and county disaster officials to care for the pets of evacuees. Donations can be made by visiting spo.ca/gifts.

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### LAPD holds blood drive

"We have strategically worked with LAPD Operations West Bureau during this particular time of the year to help us," Bauer said. "Summer is a tough time for us in terms of getting donors, and we hold the competition to increase the blood supply and raise awareness. No one knows better than our first responders about the critical importance of giving blood. We are extremely grateful to the LAPD for recognizing the significance of and importance of donating blood.

Members of the public are also welcome to donate blood at the Wilshire/West Traffic divisions, now and through the end of September. The time it takes for the Ninth Circuit to process a case from start to finish is not significantly different from other circuit courts and splitting the circuit would waste, not save, taxpayer dollars, according to the news release.

"Proponents of splitting the Ninth Circuit rely on misleading arguments and it's important to set the record straight. These efforts have nothing to do with caseload," said Senator Feinstein. "In fact, the Ninth Circuit would be a huge waste of taxpayer dollars. The simple fact is that calls by President Trump and Senate Republicans to split the Ninth Circuit are simply a political response to decisions they don’t like."

A Phoenix headquarters for the proposed 12th Circuit is estimated to cost more than $136 million.

The construction of places to hold court in other cities is estimated to cost up to $2.5 million per location. Some proposals to split the Ninth Circuit create additional judgeships, and the total cost for each new judgeship could reach $34 million over the course of that judge’s tenure, based on the average yearly cost of each judgeship and the median length of service of current Ninth Circuit senior judges.

"Proposals to split the Ninth Circuit are opposed by judges appointed by presidents of both parties as well as the broader legal community and the business community, which benefits greatly from uniformity in federal law in Western states."