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Theater drama transforms into public plea

Group needs to raise \$500K or it's a wrap

BY ANDREW H. FIXMER
Special to the Daily Press

Hollywood couldn't write a story as dramatic:

A small town playhouse needs to raise \$25,000 in 24 hours to save their theater, the last few dollars arriving by courier only minutes before the 5 p.m. deadline. Thousands of old friends and alumni around the world, contacted through a little boy's e-mail campaign, sent in cash gifts to save the landmark.

But this is a real-life, local drama.

The Santa Monica Playhouse has been told its rent will be increased to more than \$12,000 a month starting next January, but the venerable theater group can barely pay the current \$10,000-a-month rent for its prime downtown location on Fourth Street, between Wilshire Boulevard and Arizona Avenue.

However, the theater group's landlord, local attorney Jules Kievits, isn't viewed as the villain.

He is giving the theater group 18 months to raise \$500,000 to buy the building. Every six months the group must reach fundraising milestones, or risk losing it all.

"Our landlord's not the mustached twirling melodramatic landlord at all; he has been very supportive."

— EVELYN RUDIE
Playhouse co-artistic director

"Our landlord's not the mustached twirling melodramatic landlord at all; he has been very supportive," said Evelyn Rudie, a co-artistic director at the theater since 1967. By the end of the month, the

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Santa Monica Playhouse

No work for food



Del Pastrana/Daily Press

The homeless line up in Palisades Park Thursday to get the day's free meal, which consisted of salad, hearty stew and rice, topped off with gourmet muffins. Many community leaders who advocate helping the homeless don't condone the daily feedings because it proliferates the problem. Many say it's no wonder Santa Monica is a haven for the homeless.

Park's outdoor market wins fight in final round

All sides duke it out; boxing ring survives

BY CAROLYN SACKARIASON
Daily Press Staff Writer

The farmer's market and the boxing ring will remain staples of Virginia Avenue Park.

City officials put an end to a decade-old debate this week when they approved the estimated \$8.2 million Virginia Avenue Park expansion.

The Santa Monica City Council on Tuesday listened to more than four hours of testimony from citizens, mostly from the park's neighbors who live in the Pico and Sunset Park areas.

They have picked apart the proposal for the past 10 years but there were supporters of the expansion, as well.

In the end, the council voted 6-1 to approve the expansion of the park from 5.8 acres to 9.5 acres. The park is bordered by Virginia Avenue and Pico Boulevard, between 21st and 23rd Streets.

It will have a youth and community center, basketball courts, a wading pool, an outdoor

pavilion, more parking and more open space. Councilman Bob Holbrook cast the dissenting vote because the plan doesn't allow for enough green space, which is sorely lacking in the city, he said.

The hotly contested idea of moving the popular Saturday farmer's market to Santa Monica College to utilize more park space failed. The council ultimately decided to allow the market to continue, based on testimony from residents who said the market is a crucial element in keeping their neighborhood connected because it's a meeting place on the weekends.

But some argue that using public funds to support a private venture is wrong. Santa Monica Mayor Pro Tem Kevin McKeown said that line of thinking is flawed because the park already hosts other private events that max out parking and the public's access to the park. More importantly, the city is involved in many public/private ventures throughout Santa Monica, including the Third Street Promenade, which is definitely a public space surrounded by private enterprise, he said.

Right before council voted on the issue,

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★★★★★ You could feel unusually pressured by a friend. Make an effort toward someone who might have fallen on hard times. Your caring means much more than you realize. Use care when wording an option. Someone could be unusually defensive. Tonight: Relax with a pal.



TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

★★★★ Just when you thought someone wouldn't come through for you, you have a delightful surprise. Realize that anything becomes possible if you remain upbeat and positive. A partner doesn't agree with you on an investment. Postpone the decision. Tonight: Play the weekend in.



GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

★★★★★ The Moon in your sign inspires you to take a leap of faith. Don't worry so much about the risk. Remember, if you don't take a risk, you'll have nothing. Be more upbeat about the possibilities that surround you. Others cheer you to the finish line. Tonight: The world is your oyster.



CANCER (June 21-July 22)

★★★ Follow a loved one's or an associate's lead. You'll feel a lot better if you do what comes naturally. Think in terms of trust. Worry less about all the "ifs" and "maybes." Someone expresses his or her feelings. You can't say "no" to this person, nor do you want to. Tonight: Play it low-key.



LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

★★★★★ Aim for what you want. Your determination makes an enormous difference. Don't kid yourself! Someone has strong feelings for you, which he or she is determined to express. Count on your diplomatic abilities with others. Accept a wild invitation. Tonight: Where you are, the party is.



VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

★★★★ A boss or parent counts on you perhaps a little more than you would like. Loosen up with this person and discuss what it is you desire from a work or daily situation. Someone finds you close to inspirational. You're in the position to create a dream. Tonight: Leave the office ASAP.



LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

★★★★★ Someone knows how to make you misty-eyed, as this person appeals to your more spiritually loving side. Still, there is a daydream quality about this relationship that you cannot get around. Enjoy what is happening rather than fight it. Tonight: Opt for romantic or different.



SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

★★★★ Deal with someone on a one-on-one level. Your caring will multiply if you open up to talks. Holding back and not sharing your thoughts could backfire, even with a work-related matter. What you say makes a difference. Do something special for a loved one. Tonight: Dinner out.



SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

★★★★★ Let others make choices, though you might want to guide a special person with a comment or two. Return calls. Catch up on news. During lunch, visit with a friend you haven't seen for a while. Meanwhile, clear your desk as you start smiling about the weekend. Tonight: Accept someone's invitation.



CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

★★★★ Make an effort to shorten your day by organizing your workload or perhaps even delegating it. You could be delighted by a financial offer that finally fits your needs. Don't hesitate any longer than you need to. You pull the wild card financially. Tonight: Decide on easy.



AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

★★★★★ Your smile wins you new friends and warms up others. Your ability to draw others peaks if you express your softer, intellectual side. Decide to do nothing partially right now. When you opt for a 100 percent effort, you get even better results than you'd hoped for. Tonight: Let someone know how much you appreciate him or her.



PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

★★★★ Your smile betrays what is really going on. Though you might not choose to share every detail that goes through your mind, you feel far more in control if you have someone's support. Don't create a problem before there is one. Tonight: Happy at home.



WEATHER

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QUOTE of the DAY

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— Russell Lynes

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LOCAL

Color my world



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Mike Eramdjian finds inspiration on a Thursday afternoon to entertain a passion he has indulged for more than 25 years — painting with watercolors.

Council plan would use discretionary funds to save theater

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group must raise another \$20,000 — of which \$14,000 already has been raised.

Earlier this week, the group presented its case to the Santa Monica City Council. Organizers need matching funds from the city of Santa Monica to attract corporate sponsorship. Without it, many companies won't take a chance on the group, theater organizers say.

"We have found over the past few years that the first question asked whenever we look for corporate sponsorship is 'what kind of support do you get from your city,'" said Rudie. "If the city can help us, then we would be able to say to them 'we have this seed money from the city now what can you do to match it.'"

To bring in outside sponsors needed to save the theater, the group says its going to need a large grant from the city.

"We're looking for a \$100,000 pledge, or a 2-1 matching grant," said Rudie. "Short of that, anything the city can afford to give us we would be happy to have."

But the city is having a tough time during the recent economic downturn. Taxes from retail sales and hotel room bookings are down and every non-profit organization the city typically funds are vying for what's available.

Santa Monica Mayor Pro Tem Kevin McKeown has proposed spending the majority of the city council's discretionary fund of \$117,000 to help the group.

"We as a community must be willing to make wise investments in our youth," he said. "Stage arts, like field sports, teach teamwork, poise and leadership."

McKeown argues it would not be unprecedented for the city to help a struggling arts group.

He points to the \$234,000 in grants the city annually provides to 10 local cultural

organizations; the \$6,000 the city spends on busing school kids to cultural events; the \$66,000 the city pays annually for cultural events; and the free board given to two local museums and subsidized artist loft space at the airport as past signs of subsidizing the arts.

"So this is not an unprecedented action. What makes this critical and time sensitive is that they could lose the building and have no place else to go in Santa Monica," said McKeown. "Everybody watches television now, and not enough people go out and see live theater anymore. What's happened is the large venues attract enough attention to stay afloat but the little guys get squeezed out. If we don't work to protect our small theaters now, we are going to lose them and that would be a terrible thing."

Typically, the city council picks a "pet project" each year to spend its discretionary funds on. Last year it was for marching band uniforms. The previous year the city helped send school kids to Washington, D.C.

"The council has a certain amount of money in a discretionary account for these kinds of things. Mostly, they are used for one time events, where once they are done, they are done," said McKeown. "This would be one payment that would have a pay off for years to come."

But not every council member is as eager as McKeown to hand over the money.

Councilman Richard Bloom wants to see the theater group's books first, to make sure the city's investment does not go to waste.

Also, he wants to see how the city can come up with the money without cutting too deeply into other non-profit groups which need funding too.

"My view of the playhouse's plight is that we need to have our staff look into it

Park construction may speed up to curb costs

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McKeown attempted to make a condition to the approval by asking that the Police Activities League boxing ring be removed.

"I think boxing is inherently violent ... I'm just not comfortable having a city facility where it's teaching our children to hit each other."

— KEVIN McKEOWN
Santa Monica pro-tem mayor

"I think boxing is inherently violent," he said, adding the sport is not like football where hitting is part of moving the ball down the field. "But in boxing, the hitting is the core of the activity. I'm just not comfortable having a city facility where it's teaching our children to hit each other. I think we should be trying harder to teach them non-violence."

But Councilman Ken Genser said McKeown has misconceptions about the sport.

"I just encourage Mr. McKeown to learn a little more about boxing," he said. "I just hope you broaden your perspective."

Genser took boxing as a child, which taught him to anticipate people's movements and gave him confidence.

Councilwoman Pam O'Connor also condones boxing because many men use that skill in special training for careers like the armed forces.

The majority of the council vetoed the request, but Mayor Mike Feinstein agrees with McKeown.

"I am similarly skeptical about the value of boxing in our society," he said.

Based on testimony, the council approved the controversial plan with several conditions such as analyzing the traf-

fic before and after the expansion; that trees be lined between the park and the special event area; trees near the overflow parking must be maintained and a special turf is used for parking during the farmer's market.

Designers of the plan also will address neighbor's concerns about noise emanating from the park, particularly from the pool.

Consultants are preparing the schematics of the development and construction is expected to begin this fall.

While the project is short about \$4.3 million, the city is looking for way to cut costs by limiting improvements at the community center or completing the project quicker than the original two-year plan, said Karen Ginsberg, of the city's cultural and community services division. If it were to be completed within 16 to 18 months, the city could save money through construction management and costs.

With the city facing a multi-million shortfall and capital improvement projects expected to be put on hold, McKeown said Virginia Park won't be one of them. The project has accrued money over time with funds allocated to it each year since the properties were purchased 12 years ago.

"This is something that was already funded," McKeown said. "We are moving forward and we tried very hard to listen to everybody's concerns."



Carolyn Sackariason/Daily Press
Virginia Avenue Park will go through a transformation beginning this fall.

thoroughly before we take any action. We need to have a clear understanding of what things there are in a practical nature that we can do," he said. "But there is no question this is a valuable institution to the city and they are currently in some dire financial constraints."

Every year, the city audits non-profits it funds to make sure the money was spent as pledged.

"We spend millions of dollars every year assisting a variety of non-profits in the area. And in exchange, or as part of that process, we require those non-profits to open their books for review so that we know our money is well spent," said Bloom.

"I have nothing but deep respect for the playhouse. But we need to know that our money, the very first thing we need to know, is whether it's fiscally prudent to invest it.

"There are a good many of agencies that we serve that are suffering right now, for a variety of reasons, but mostly due to the downturn in the economy, and I think that's something we have to bear in mind

with this request," Bloom continued.

Bloom said the council made the correct move, voting to postpone McKeown's proposal until next month's meeting because only four of the seven council members remained at the meeting that went well beyond 1 a.m.

"If you look at what Kevin was asking us to allocate that night, it would have been way more than 50 percent of our discretionary funds," he said. "But whether or not I agree with what (the other council members) decide in the end, they have a right to have a say in how we use that money."

The theater group already is moving ahead with plans to host 40 productions over the next 18 months to celebrate the theater's 40-year anniversary. International groups the theater has worked with in Japan and Europe have pledged to hold benefits to help raise the needed money.

"We are very confident that we can do this," said Rudie. "Especially when we see what our kids have done and the response we've been getting from our alumni."

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NATIONAL

Parents offer strong support for John Walker Lindh

BY JENNIFER LOVEN
Associated Press Writer

ALEXANDRIA, Va. — Two years after they last saw their son, the parents of John Walker Lindh came to offer him their steadfast love and a spirited defense.

The parents, who are separated, watched their son's first, brief federal court appearance from the second row in the courtroom mindful that the process could end with his imprisonment for life if he should be convicted of helping his country's enemies.

"I am grateful to God that he has been brought home to his family, me, his home and his country."

— MARILYN WALKER
Mother

Grim-faced, they then spoke briefly to reporters outside.

"John loves America. We love America," Frank Lindh said. "John did not do anything against America. John did not take up arms against America. He never meant to harm any American, and he never did harm any American. John is innocent of these charges."

Marilyn Walker said it had been wonderful after a two-year absence to spend time with her son, at a brief meeting before the hearing.

"My love for him is unconditional and absolute," she said softly. "I am grateful to God that he has been brought home to his family, me, his home and his country."

She appeared to have more to say but, on the verge of tears, left the microphone to be comforted by the elder Lindh.

The parents last saw their son, now 20, two years ago when he left the United States for Yemen to study Arabic and Islam. From that country on the Saudi peninsula, Lindh traveled to Pakistan, then Afghanistan.

Before Thursday's hearing, with Lindh's defense lawyers saying they urgently needed time with him, the parents had just 20 minutes for a family reunion in a courthouse interview room — separated from their son by a wire screen and, unlike his lawyers, monitored by the FBI, according to attorney James Brosnahan.

Lindh was returned to the United States on Wednesday aboard a military cargo plane. His parents, and attorneys they hired to represent their son, arrived Wednesday night from their homes near San Francisco but were turned away from the detention center where Lindh was imprisoned.

Frank Lindh said the two are grateful their son, a little heavier and shorn of the scraggy, dark hair and long beard familiar to Americans from pictures taken after Lindh's capture in Afghanistan, was in good physical condition.

But Frank Lindh said the two were upset to learn from their son that he had not received medical treatment until he was transferred to a U.S. naval ship almost two weeks after his capture.

U.S. authorities found Lindh holed up with Taliban fighters after a bloody prison uprising near the northern Afghan city of Mazar-e-Sharif in which a CIA officer was killed. Lindh was shot in the leg during the uprising.

Lindh's attorneys met with him for a lengthy second session after the hearing, but his parents — who must have permission from the U.S. attorney's office to see their son — did not.

Instead, they left the courthouse accompanied, like all other players in this drama, by their own security detail.



J. Scott Applewhite/Associated Press

With his head shaven and his stare fixed straight ahead, American Taliban fighter John Walker Lindh leaves the Alexandria Detention Center in Alexandria, Va., before dawn on Thursday, on the way to his first appearance in a nearby federal court. Lindh, a 20-year-old Californian, is appearing in federal court to face charges that he conspired to kill Americans in the war on terrorism.



Enron document destruction: Duncan held responsible

BY MARCY GORDON

AP Business Writer

WASHINGTON — Fired auditor David Duncan was solely responsible for the massive destruction of Enron documents, officials of the energy company's accounting firm told skeptical lawmakers Thursday. Duncan refused to answer questions, invoking the Fifth Amendment.

Lawmaker after lawmaker denounced the rushed paper shredding at Arthur Andersen and the complex business practices at Enron as Congress delved into the biggest bankruptcy in U.S. history. The company's collapse cost investors billions of dollars, wiped out the retirement savings of thousands of employees and raised questions about the company's extensive political connections.

Nancy Temple, a lawyer for Andersen, said she reminded auditors about the firm's policy for retaining documents but didn't order their preservation or destruction after learning of a federal investigation of Enron.

"I was unaware of any shredding activity," she insisted under intense questioning by members of the House Energy and Commerce Committee's investigative panel.

Lawmakers demanded to know why it took Temple so long — from the Securities and Exchange Commission's first informal inquiry into Enron on Oct. 17 until the day after the SEC's subpoena to Andersen for documents on Nov. 8 — to direct auditors to keep the documents.

"This guidance never went out when it should have gone out," declared Rep. Billy Tauzin, R-La., chairman of the full committee.

And why, Tauzin wanted to know, did "scores and scores" of Andersen employees work overtime to destroy records if the firm's policy favored preservation, as its officials have said? Preserving the documents would only have taken a few hours of locking them up, he suggested.

Lawmakers disclosed that the Andersen attorneys had hired an outside law firm on Oct. 9, in large part in anticipation of possibly being sued over Enron accounting. That showed that Temple and other Andersen officials had an early indication of trouble and should have ordered all Enron-related documents to be saved, the House members said.

"I knew there was a possibility of litigation but we did not discuss it," Temple testified.

As Congress' sprawling inquiry into Enron's collapse stepped up, Senate Governmental Affairs Committee Chairman Joseph Lieberman said he will ask that panel to issue subpoenas for Enron's and Andersen's documents regarding their contacts with the White House and several federal agencies on regulations affecting the energy-trading company.

The financial debacle has touched more than half of the members of Congress who accepted campaign contributions from the energy trading company, as well as top members of the Bush administration who were contacted by

Enron as it teetered toward bankruptcy.

In opening statements at the House hearing, lawmakers denounced the rushed paper shredding at Andersen as well as the business practices that led to Enron's failure.

Andersen senior officials Dorsey Baskin and C.E. Andrews, appearing as subpoenaed witnesses with Temple, repeatedly pinned the blame on Duncan, whom Andersen fired last week. Andersen itself has been fired by Enron as its accounting firm.

"This effort was undertaken without any consultation with others in the firm or, so far as we are aware, with legal counsel," Baskin said of the shredding.

Andrews insisted that Duncan, as Andersen's lead auditor for Enron, was solely responsible for preserving documents.

Duncan was the first witness but did not speak at the hearing, other than to assert his Fifth Amendment right against potentially incriminating himself.

"Enron robbed the bank, Arthur Andersen provided the getaway car and they say you were at the wheel," Rep. Jim Greenwood, R-Pa., told him.

When Greenwood began to question Duncan, asking him if he had given an order to destroy documents to "subvert governmental investigations," Duncan cited his constitutional right to silence.

Duncan invoked it twice amid the banks of camera lights. "Respectfully, that will be my response to all your questions," he told the panel. He was not questioned further and was excused.

Afterward, Greenwood said, "I still haven't made up my mind on whether Mr. Duncan was a rogue employee or whether Mr. Duncan was set up as a scapegoat."

Senate Majority Leader Tom Daschle said Duncan should be compelled to testify. "Those who had any role or part to play ought to be brought before the Congress and we'll make sure that happens on the Senate side," he told a news conference.

Duncan previously told committee investigators that he was following company guidance on document destruction laid out in an Oct. 12 e-mail from Temple, who is based at Andersen's Chicago headquarters.



Jerome Delay/Associated Press

A Palestinian boy runs away from Israeli soldiers stationed outside Yasser Arafat's compound in the West Bank town of Ramallah on Thursday. A small group of youths throwing stones at Israeli troops set a car ablaze, drawing a few rounds of rubber bullets. The sign on the wall is part of a larger graffiti calling for the Intifadeh not to be forgotten.

Study shows drinking could ward off Alzheimer's, dementia

BY EMMA ROSS

AP Medical Writer

LONDON — A new study indicates that daily moderate consumption of alcohol, which has already been shown to help prevent heart disease and strokes, may also ward off Alzheimer's disease and other types of dementia.

The study, published this week in The Lancet medical journal, also found that it doesn't seem to matter what people drink — the effect is the same.

The finding adds to a growing body of evidence for the health benefits of moderate drinking.

Experts say moderation — between one and three drinks a day — is the key.

The adverse effect of excess alcohol is beyond question. Besides destroying the liver, several studies have shown that excessive drinking can be toxic to the brain. Alcoholics can end up with a shrunken brain, which is linked to dementia. There is even a medical condition called alcoholic dementia.

"For people who drink moderately, this is another indication that they are not doing any harm. And for those who don't, if they don't simply out of health concerns, they might want to rethink that position," said Meir Stampfer, professor of nutrition and epidemiology at Harvard

School of Public Health, who was not involved in the study.

Scientists at Erasmus University in Rotterdam, the Netherlands, conducted a six-year study of 5,395 people aged 55 and over who did not have signs of dementia.

They were asked whether they ever drank alcohol. Those who said yes were quizzed on how often they drank and details on their consumption of specific drinks such as wine, beer, spirits and fortified wine such as sherry and port.

The men mostly drank beer and liquor, while women preferred wine and fortified wine.

The researchers also checked whether participants' drinking habits had changed over the preceding five years or whether they had engaged in binge drinking — more than six drinks in one day.

Everyone was categorized according to how much they drank. Four or more glasses of alcohol per day was considered heavy drinking.

By the end of the study in 1999, 197 of the participants had developed Alzheimer's or another form of dementia. Those who fared best were people who drank between one and three drinks a day. They had a 42 percent lower risk of developing dementia than the nondrinkers.

Those who weren't daily drinkers but had more than one drink per week had a 25 percent lower risk and those who drank less than a glass a week were 18 percent less likely than nondrinkers to develop dementia.

The number of heavy drinkers, who numbered 165 — mostly men — was insufficient to draw conclusions about any affect heavy drinking might have on dementia.

Recalculating all the figures for each type of alcohol separately, and comparing wine to other types of alcohol, yielded the same results.

"This red wine thing is a myth. The evidence for it is meager," said Stampfer. "It happens that red wine, in most cultures, is more likely to be consumed in moderation than spirits or beer, so for that reason it can appear to be specially protective, but in fact, the type of beverage does not matter."

Dead birds rain down on town

By The Associated Press

BREESE, Ill. — It was like a scene from an Alfred Hitchcock movie: hundreds of dead birds sprawled across JoAnn Thole's lawn.

"I've got 117 pounds of dead birds — I weighed them," Thole said as she opened her garage, which she had made into a makeshift bird morgue.

The European starlings hadn't died of some mysterious disease. They were killed by poison distributed by Agriculture Department at the request of local farmers, who said the birds had been eating cattle feed and causing other problems.

Kirk Gustad, director of the Agriculture Department's Wildlife

Services unit in Springfield, said the agency received about two dozen requests from Illinois farmers to kill off the starlings.

This week, thousands of dead birds dotted the streets of Breese, a southwestern Illinois town of 4,000. The birds have been seeking out trees to sleep in after spending their days eating feed — and poisoned pellets — at nearby farms.

There were so many dead birds last weekend that police Chief Jim Hummert told residents to put the carcasses in containers at the curb with their garbage.

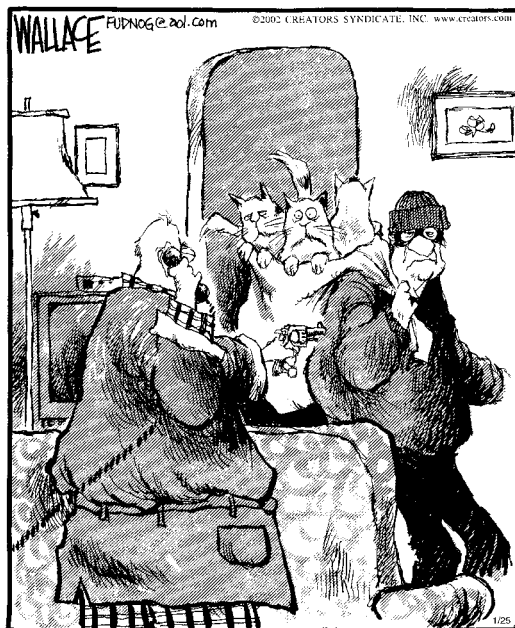
"There are some subdivisions with so many dead birds and so much bird droppings that kids can't go out and play," Hummert said.

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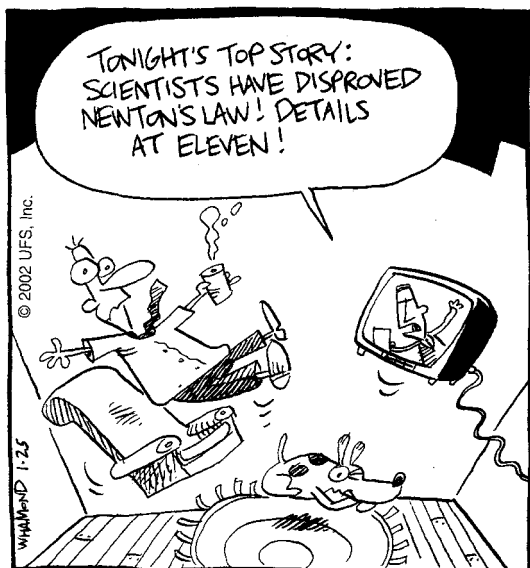
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 - 14 Rob's wife
 - 15 Office seeker, briefly
 - 16 Cote cry
 - 18 Kareem, originally
 - 19 "Once and Again" son
 - 20 Top
 - 21 Supplement, with "out"
 - 22 Book buyer
 - 24 Headliner
 - 25 Vegan's no-no
 - 27 Peas' places
 - 29 Ticks off
 - 32 Kitchen pest
 - 33 Snap
 - 34 Decimal base
 - 35 Can. neighbor
 - 36 Wing
 - 37 Zoo favorite
 - 38 Painter Picasso
 - 40 "Tiny Alice" playwright

DOWN

- 1 Late meal
- 2 Lawrence portrayer
- 3 Site of some breaks
- 4 Rink surface
- 5 Misstated
- 6 Dieter's lunch
- 7 "— little teapot ..."
- 8 Site of some spins
- 9 Cry of discovery
- 10 Bureau part
- 17 Sender's choice
- 23 — Moines
- 24 Droop
- 26 Hold tightly
- 27 Poor fellow

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Yesterday's answer

- 28 Marked down
- 30 Summer show
- 31 Rude looks
- 33 Fragrant bloom
- 39 Went ahead
- 41 Old card game

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by Chuck Shepard

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Cross-country cab traveler gets mental evaluation

By The Associated Press

JACKSONVILLE, Fla. — A woman taking a round-trip taxi cab ride from Jacksonville to Alaska has been stopped by police in Northern California for a mental evaluation.

Patricia Agness was detained Monday by police after she caused a disturbance at a motel in Fort Bragg, Calif., several hours south of Oregon.

Agness left Jacksonville on Jan. 16 for her 10,000-mile trip with stops in 30 cities.

She hired two cabbies to drive 8-hour shifts on her trek from Florida through Texas and up the California coast. They planned to continue north to Juneau, Ala.,

“... she was making some unusual statements, so we determined she was in need of mental health evaluation.”

— **BRUCE CUMMING**
Fort Bragg interim police chief

and return through the Midwest with stops in Minneapolis and Nashville, Tenn.

When they checked into a motel Monday evening,

Agness insisted on staying in the lobby instead of her room, police said. The motel manager called the police.

“Police went and talked to her and she was making some unusual statements, so we determined she was in need of mental health evaluation,” said Fort Bragg interim Police Chief Bruce Cumming.

California police can hold people up to 72 hours for a mental health evaluation if they are considered gravely disabled or a danger to themselves or others.

Officials at the Mendocino County Health Department would not comment.

Agness switched cab companies in Buellton, Calif., when her original cabbies said she wanted to shorten the planned driving breaks.

Man, 94, oldest known recipient of GED diploma

By The Associated Press

THOUSAND OAKS — Cecil Smith is not your ordinary school dropout.

The 94-year-old retired upholsterer last attended classes when automobiles were gaining popularity and Warren G. Harding was president. Eighty years later, he became the oldest known recipient of the general equivalency diploma — a credential certifying knowledge equal to that of a high school graduate.

“It’s really an honor,” Smith told a group of friends, relatives and school district officials at a graduation ceremony Wednesday. “It’s certainly appreciated.”

In 1922, Smith left MacLean Junior

“It’s really an honor. It’s certainly appreciated.”

— **CECIL SMITH**
Oldest diploma recipient

High School in Terre Haute, Ind., after both of his parents died. He was only 14 and one of 13 children. He stayed with relatives before finding a job. Within a few years, he was employed at a furniture factory in Grand Rapids, Mich.

Smith never really wanted to finish his education until his nephew Dick Kirkland told him about GED classes at

a school in Thousand Oaks, a town about 40 northwest of Los Angeles.

“Nothing in his daily routine prepared him for this,” Kirkland said. “I suspect he has an ability to figure things out that we never recognized.”

Despite poor vision, three hearing aids, an artificial hip and a 10-year bout with prostate cancer, Smith persevered and finally donned a cap and gown. He

received several proclamations from city and school officials as well as a commendation from President Bush.

The GED test is given in sections that cover math, science, social studies, reading and writing and used since 1942. The average age of the 865,000 people who took the test in 2000 was 25. Officials of the national GED Testing Service believe Smith is the oldest person to receive the diploma.

“We’ve checked on it with all the institutional memories we could put out a call to,” said testing service director Ben Justesen. “I found no one any older than Cecil Smith.”

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