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NEWS OF THE WEIRD BY CHUCK SHEPARD

Researcher Jean-Louis Martin of the Universite Claude Bernard in Lyon, France, found (for a December British Medical Journal article) that consuming cannabis (marijuana) doubled motorists' likelihood of a fatal auto collision, and alarming news headlines about the report followed. Less prominently noted in the article, and consequently in news reports, was that drivers impaired by alcohol were six times more likely than an unimpaired driver to have a fatal collision, thus suggesting that the generally illegal drug, cannabis, is only one-third as dangerous for drivers as the legal drug, alcohol.

TODAY IN HISTORY

Today is the 38th day of 2006.
There are 327 days left in the year.

On Feb. 7, 1812, author Charles Dickens was born in Portsmouth, England.
In 1904, a fire began in Baltimore that raged for about 30 hours and destroyed more than 1,500 buildings.

QUOTE OF THE DAY

"Human beings are the only creatures who are able to behave irrationally in the name of reason."

ASHLEY MONTAGU
ENGLISH ANTHROPOLOGIST (1905-1999)

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Suspect charged in cop's shooting

BY RYAN HYATT
Daily Press Staff Writer

LAX COURTHOUSE — A 20-year-old Santa Monica man was charged on Monday with two counts of attempted murder after he allegedly shot a local police officer last week.

German Michael Espinola was charged with two counts of attempted murder; two counts of premeditated murder; two counts of assault with a firearm; one count of shooting at an occupied motor vehicle; and one count of unlawful firearm activity. In addition, the

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Rough brush with the law



Fabian Lewkowicz/Daily Press

HARD TIME: Victor Smith sweeps the boardwalk just south of the Santa Monica Pier on Monday as part of his court-ordered community service.

Couple's mail fraud scheme stamped out

BY RYAN HYATT
Daily Press Staff Writer

LAX COURTHOUSE — The couple allegedly involved in a mail fraud scheme that used a rented Santa Monica mailbox to bilk hundreds of thousands of dollars in payments from victims around the nation have pleaded no contest to the charges against them.

Maciej Noworyta and Brenda Chaidez Diaz were arrested at their Chino Hills home on Friday, Dec. 2, and taken to Los Angeles County Jail after the Santa Monica City

Attorney's Office filed a 30-count criminal complaint against the couple charging them with conspiracy, grand theft and false advertising.

The complaint was based on evidence which suggests that hundreds of victims paid \$20 each to sign up for work stuffing envelopes at home. Noworyta and Chaidez Diaz have been accused of sending out false advertising to induce victims to send \$20 to secure employment and then provide them with nothing more than worthless documents, according to the City Attorney's Office.

Authorities believe the couple used a mailbox at the UPS Store at 1223 Wilshire Blvd. in Santa Monica to receive payments. According to the allegations, the couple was able to obtain hundreds of thousands of dollars annually for several years from victims. In a one-week period in October, the defendants' Santa Monica mailbox received more than \$20,000 in payments from more than 1,200 victims around the country.

Noworyta and Chaidez Diaz were each convicted and sentenced on Jan. 26 for 11 misde-

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Gray whale surfaces in SM Bay breakwaters

BY KEVIN HERRERA
Daily Press Staff Writer

SANTA MONICA BAY — Lifeguards said they were treated to a rare site on Monday, spotting what they believed to be a young gray whale cruising the breakwater near the Santa Monica Pier.

The whale, roughly 15 to 20 feet long, surfaced for air at about 8:30 a.m. near Will Rogers State

Beach and continued to cruise south at a normal speed, showing no signs of distress, said lifeguard David Estey.

Lifeguards observed the whale, which was traveling roughly 100 feet offshore, for about an hour to make sure it wasn't trying to beach itself. Estey said the whale looked to be moving freely and was not tangled in any netting.

"We generally see them around this time of year, but not in the (Santa Monica) Bay. That's a pretty rare occurrence," Estey said.

Whales are often spotted around this time of year as they make their way to Baja California to mate and give birth in the warmer waters. Whales typically head south around November through December and make the

trek north around March and April. During the annual migration, a gray whale can travel as far as 6,000 miles each way, according to www.whaletimes.org, an informational Web site on whales.

"This could have been a newborn who was born early and was simply patrolling the shoreline, maybe playing in the surf," said

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JACQUELINE BIGAR'S STARS The stars show the kind of day you'll Have:
★★★★-Dynamic ★★★★★-Positive ★★★★★-Average ★★-So-so ★-Difficult



ARIES (March 21-April 19)

★★★★ Your creativity works overtime as you come up with answers and ideas for any issue or hassle you come across. Meetings and groups of people prove to be unusually lucky. Let others toss their ideas into your hat. Tonight: Just don't be alone.



TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

★★★ Consider what works regarding others. Good planning and sensitivity can win you friends and new opportunities. If you are part of the work force, you certainly can make your mark. Tonight: Treat yourself without going overboard.



GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

★★★★★ You are happy no matter what you are doing. Some of you might play hooky and go on a day trip. Meeting people happens with ease. Don't hesitate to ask for what you want. Others will bend over backward for you today. Tonight: Whatever makes you happy.



CANCER (June 21-July 22)

★★★ It might be hard to keep good news hush-hush. Much goes on with a special partnership or relationship. Be sure you understand this person. You don't want a problem later. Know when to say no. Tonight: Stay muzzled. Read a good book.



LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

★★★★★ You have much to smile about, whether you know it or not. Stop, and instead of complaining, think positively. Others will go out of their way to help you. Don't worry. Simply flow with the many special people in your life. Groups and meetings point to success. Tonight: Be with favorite people only.



VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

★★★★★ Read Taurus' message and consider how it might apply to you. You will need to take the high road in order to maximize your success and abilities. Openly greet unusual ideas and people. New doors will be opened. Tonight: Movie time.



LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

★★★★★ Use your creativity to add to the many different facets of your life. You laugh, and others simply smile and enjoy. Use your innate relating skills to your advantage. Others respond positively. Detach in order to get the whole picture. Tonight: So what if it's Tuesday?



SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

★★★ Focus on your projects rather than daydream away. A key partnership or relationship starts heading toward better days. You could make a big difference in this person's life. What is happening is mutual. Tonight: Follow another's lead. Share more with a partner or friend.



SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

★★★★★ Someone's words bring a smile to your face. Make an extra effort with those you come into contact with. If you find your feelings overwhelming, you might need to start talking rather than hold them in. Tonight: Follow through on another's request.



CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

★★★★★ You might want to think a problem through more carefully. Use that well-recognized Capricorn practical sixth sense. Solutions will appear as a result, especially if you are willing to take a risk. Tonight: Take a walk, or choose another form of exercise.



AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

★★★★★ Mix inspiration and imagination. Delightful results head your way as your innate gifts emerge. A relationship could heat up out of the blue. You are starry-eyed, and for good reason. Tonight: Happy as a cat.



PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

★★★ Your instincts serve you well with a real estate investment or a domestic matter. You know what to do to get the results you want. Be grateful for an offer, even if you don't like it. Tonight: Mellow out.



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COMMUNITY BRIEFS

Donor shows true grit with \$5M gift to John Wayne

By Daily Press staff

Everyone loves a gift, especially if it can contribute to finding a cure for cancer. The John Wayne Cancer Institute (JWCI) has announced that it received a gift from Dr. Miriam and Sheldon G. Adelson in the amount of \$5 million, the largest single contribution the Institute has ever received. JWCI will use the money to expand existing research and develop fields of study in cancer research. The Institute intends to continue its affiliation with Saint John’s Health Center in Santa Monica.

“We are honored to be affiliated with the Institute and its fine team of doctors and researchers, and we look forward to providing continuing assistance in its fight against cancer and its search for cures,” said Sheldon G. Adelson, a member of the JWCI board of directors and chairman and CEO of Las Vegas Sands Corp., which owns Venetian Resort Hotel Casino in Las Vegas and the Sands Macao in China.

The JWCI conducts interdisciplinary basic, clinical and translational research, and applies that knowledge to advance modern cancer treatment. JWCI’s internationally recognized team of scientists and clinical researchers is dedicated to investigating and studying numerous types of cancer in an unrelenting effort to find a cure or control for each type of cancer.

“This gift will enhance the Institute’s research programs by funding the recruitment of additional world-class basic research scientists and clinical investigators,” said Dr. Donald L. Morton, president and surgeon-in-chief of JWCI.

Additionally, the JWCI conducts innovative research focusing on biological mechanisms to provide new understandings of the cause, diagnosis, control and cure of cancer; provides training for new generations of surgical scientists who study and treat cancer; and offers experimental treatment services to develop and test new forms of diagnosis and therapy to improve the quality of life and expected survival of those afflicted with cancer.

“The Adelsons’ gracious gift and long-term involvement to the Institute will ensure its independence, allow the JWCI to recruit new scientists and expand its translational research programs for which JWCI has become world renowned,” said Ethan Wayne, a member of the JWCI board and director of the John Wayne Cancer Foundation, which provided the seed money to establish the JWCI.

The John Wayne name has been committed by the Wayne family to cancer research and education in memory of their father who died of cancer. The John Wayne Cancer Institute has received acclaim for advances in melanoma, breast and colon cancer as well as immune therapy of cancer. Other areas of research include prostate and liver cancer.

Addressing the political culture with ‘flying colors’

By Daily Press staff

A new exhibit will offer an answer to people weary about our current political atmosphere.

West Coast author Ken Kesey (“One Flew Over The Cuckoo’s Nest”) once invited the entire nation to answer the question, “can you pass the acid test?” Initially, that question was meant to gauge if someone could remain cool and calm with psychedelics in their system, but throughout the years, that question has become a simple code for, “can you survive what’s going on in our country?” Having been through that question, collage artist Tom Brennan proposes the answer: “Yes, with flying colors,” which is also the title of his latest, all-new collage art exhibit.

“The most important element at my exhibits is that people have fun,” Brennan said. “At every exhibit we get people who love to interact with the collages and become part of them. No one stands around.”

The exhibit will be held on Feb. 17 at 6 p.m. at the Design Center, located at 1119 Colorado Ave.

SNOW AND SURF REPORTS

CONDITIONS

DATA PROVIDED BY ONTHESNOW.COM

BEAR MOUNTAIN

NEW SNOW	BASE DEPTH	LIFT HOURS	RUNS OPEN	LIFTS OPEN
(24 Hrs) 0"	12"-36"	8:30am - 4:00pm	18	10/12

CONDITIONS: Packed Powder, Machine Groomed, Hard Packed

JUNE MOUNTAIN

NEW SNOW	BASE DEPTH	LIFT HOURS	RUNS OPEN	LIFTS OPEN
(24 Hrs) 0"	96" - 120"	8:00am - 4:00pm	35	6/6

CONDITIONS: Packed Powder, Machine Groomed

MAMMOTH MOUNTAIN

NEW SNOW	BASE DEPTH	LIFT HOURS	RUNS OPEN	LIFTS OPEN
(24 Hrs) 0"	144" - 168"	8:30 am - 4:00 pm	150	26/28

CONDITIONS: Packed Powder, Machine Groomed

MOUNTAIN HIGH

NEW SNOW	BASE DEPTH	LIFT HOURS	RUNS OPEN	LIFTS OPEN
(24 Hrs) 0"	12"-24"	8:30 am - 10:00 pm	16	8/16

CONDITIONS: Machine Made, Machine Groomed, Hard Packed, Wet

MT. BALDY

NEW SNOW	BASE DEPTH	LIFT HOURS	RUNS OPEN	LIFTS OPEN
(24 Hrs) 0"	12"-12"	8:00 am - 4:30 pm	4	2/4

CONDITIONS: Packed Powder, Machine Made

SNOW SUMMIT

NEW SNOW	BASE DEPTH	LIFT HOURS	RUNS OPEN	LIFTS OPEN
(24 Hrs) 0"	12"-36"	4:30 am - 4:30 pm	18	14/14

CONDITIONS: Machine Made, Machine Groomed, Hard Packed, Wet

SNOW VALLEY

NEW SNOW	BASE DEPTH	LIFT HOURS	RUNS OPEN	LIFTS OPEN
(24 Hrs) 0"	24"-12"	8:30 am - 4:00 pm	10	5/11

CONDITIONS: Machine Groomed, Spring

CONDITIONS

WATER TEMP: 57°

DATA PROVIDED BY WETSAND.COM

SWELL FORECAST (4-10 FT)

Today into Wednesday is when our next NW swell is due. This is from another Kamchatka Peninsula originating system we started over a week ago. In our last report, we mentioned how some models were favoring the fetch on this one to reach incredible seas over 50 feet. This system didn't live up to expectations, but did peak with seas over 40 feet.

LONG RANGE SYNOPSIS

NW'er due today, Wednesday...

NW being tracked for 12th-13th...

Tracking NW for 14th-15th...

TIDE FORECAST FOR SANTA MONICA

FRIDAY	7:04AM	1.1FT	6:41PM	1.02FT
LOW TIDE:	12:40AM	5.1FT	12:49PM	3.7FT

SATURDAY	8:38AM	1.0FT	7:23PM	1.8FT
LOW TIDE:	1:29AM	5.1FT	2:29PM	2.9FT

SUNDAY	10:24AM	0.7FT	8:24PM	2.4FT
LOW TIDE:	2:29AM	5.1FT	5:09PM	2.7FT

MONDAY	11:48AM	0.1FT	10:07PM	2.8FT
LOW TIDE:	3:39AM	5.1FT	7:04PM	3.0FT

TUESDAY	12:46PM	-0.3FT	11:37PM	2.8FT
LOW TIDE:	4:50AM	5.2FT	7:53PM	3.4FT

WEDNESDAY

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THURSDAY

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FRIDAY

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The QLine

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Santa Monica residents will soon be polled as to whether they are interested in cleaning the city's beaches and coastal waters, and whether they're willing to pay for it.

A soon-to-be-released cleanup plan would make Santa Monica compliant by 2020 with several new environmental regulations. City officials say there will be a considerable need for a new funding source for the project. Capital costs alone could reach \$95 million over a period of 15 years. In addition, operating and maintenance costs could at least double the current \$36 annual stormwater fee homeowners pay, according to a recent staff report.

So this week, Q-Line wants to know, “What are you willing to pay for a cleaner coast?”

Call (310) 285-8106 before Friday at 5 p.m. and we'll print your responses in the weekend edition. Please try to limit your comments to a minute or less. It might help to think first about the wording of your response.

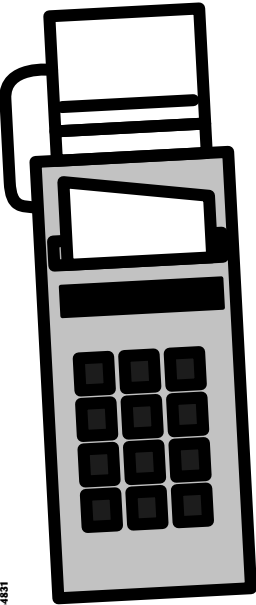
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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

The system works against the homeless

Editor:

I have been in the midst of the homeless issue for almost two years now, since I came here to Los Angeles County. I have stayed in shelters, been part of programs and only by the grace of God, can I say that I am almost at the end of this latest phase of my life. By his grace, my husband and I acquired jobs and have struggled to find permanent dwelling.

The fact is that the system is set against the homeless. They are persecuted, looked down upon, and treated and looked at as the scum of society. Some rise above the looks, the wrinkled noses and fight to keep their heads above water and, again by the grace of God, they make a go of life.

Others, who deal with demons of their own, are not able to do so and so they simply give up. This leads to addictions in addition to the mental illnesses that plague this city. Drugs, alcohol and sex can be just as easily the end result of the homeless as the catalyst to why they are now homeless. Jobs, or lack thereof, are also factors. The shelters work hard to see that the homeless get off the streets for a while and they have them save their money and that's super. The problem is that money management takes time and patience and wisdom and sometimes it takes years to learn money management under ideal circumstances. Taking people off the streets who have no concept of money management whatsoever and trying to imprint it into them in six months or less most likely isn't going to happen, and so they leave the program and spend all the money they've saved. They go to the next shelter and the situation only repeats itself. This can go on for years. Sure, sometimes things work out, but from what I've seen, it's not often.

The homeless situation (I hate the word "problem") needs to be dealt with in a more aggressive manner. Maybe Mr. Edelman (City Hall's new homelessness czar) has such a program planned; I have no idea, but from what I've seen, that is the only way it's going to happen. When I say aggressive, I'm not talking about cruelty, I'm talking about getting involved and getting one's hands dirty. Getting to know the actual people involved is a good way to start — especially those who are lucid enough to understand exactly what's going on and may even feel passionately about the people involved (all of them, homeless or not) who might want to get involved in being part of the solution, having been part of the problem long enough.

I find that the majority of the criticism geared toward the homeless is from people who "appear" to not know them at all. They see one or two who are dirty and smelly and decide that we are all like that. We aren't. The showers that the homeless can use are open only at certain times, and in certain locations and if they can't sleep within range of where those showers are, obviously they can't get to them in time. Those who could use them and don't are primarily mentally ill and spend the majority of their time just trying to survive and cleanliness isn't high on the priority list. They feel hated (rightfully so) and they lose the will to live.

There is such a lack of empathy and sympathy in our world. We wonder why our children are killing each other and their parents. We wonder why there is such a lack of "natural" feelings towards other people. Why do we expect them to act like we perceive that they should when they carefully watch the reaction of people towards those who are less fortunate than themselves? I believe that if we truly stepped back, in our own minds, and tried for one or two seconds to put ourselves in the homeless people's shoes, and truly understand how hard it is for the majority of them, having to live like rats and spend their lives collecting cans for the money to do whatever. Many do it for drinking and drugs, but many others do it for the sole purpose of eating and having a little dignity so they don't have to live in food lines.

Another valid point as far as drinking and drugs is this: They aren't the only ones

who drink and do drugs and it's evidenced by the fact that not all in AA and NA are homeless people. Drugs and drinking involve all racial, social and economic boundaries. Those who are not homeless and poor ought not to be too hasty to judge those in society who are so broken down that for them, drinking and drugs are an escape from the realities of life.

I've striven to be as gentle as possible in this little expose. I want to see people of all races, economic situations and even religions come together. I believe in God and in his son as my savior, but ultimately we are all family and although we may not agree with each other, we ought to try to get along better. We are all children of Abraham.

Heidi J. Hameed
Santa Monica

Seeing library's shortcomings in black and white

Editor:

I was joyfully celebrating the inauguration of our brand new Public Library building on Jan. 7, however, I just found out that the \$74 million building actually went all into bricks, cement, windows and furniture and there wasn't any money left to buy a color printing machine (actual value \$159). I wonder if The people's Republic of Santa Monica would get to work in a fundraising campaign and bring our public Library, technologically speaking, to 21st Century standards. Otherwise, we stand up, with little choice, but to remain in "black and white" printing. Another option would be that City Hall's legal department may go after the building contractors, who incidentally went, "laughing all the way to the bank," and perhaps persuade them in donating some color printing machines if they ever expect extremely profitable future city contracts.

Charles Brown
Santa Monica

Bush has cried wolf one time too many

Editor:

I don't believe this president in anything he says. He has betrayed the American people over and over again. He has lied about weapons of mass destruction and took us to an illegal war. He has lied about what happened on 9/11 to use it as an excuse to push a plan that is against Democracy and civil rights. He has acted no better than a terrorist himself now killing thousands of innocent people in Afghanistan and Iraq, as well as the lives of innocent Americans. He now wants to abuse his power to spy on Quaker peace groups and vegans or anyone who is not with him on this path of destruction.

There isn't a respected legal authority out there buying any of the president's fuzzy justifications based on some outlandish expansion of executive powers in opposition to the Constitution and the will of the people as expressed through their Congress. It is time that there be some oversight in the form of a special prosecutor to determine the extent to which the president should be held accountable. Or the people will have to rise and replace this administration with one that serves the people. Who out there will fight for humanity and all people around the world.

Alexander Scianna
Playa del Rey

Thinking quick doesn't always equal better



WHAT'S
THE POINT?

BY DAVID PISARRA

Technology is a wonderful thing. It is what allows me to write this on my phone while I am skiing in Mammoth. I have one of those multi-function devices that is a phone, personal digital assistant, mini-computer, and camera for pictures and video.

I've had it for a year now, and I must say that it is a wonderful tool to have. I love how I can have every name and e-mail I use on my phone. It allows me to be able to take advantage of the promises that were made to the world by the Bill Gates and Steve Wozniaks of the late 1970s.

The wizards of wonder at Microsoft and Apple told us we'd have a paperless office and that our free time would increase. In some ways they were right and in others, thanks to the law of unintended consequences, they were horribly wrong. Paper use has actually gone up as

more people have computers and printers. People are expected to work more as we have greater and more useful tools.

When I was in high school I was ahead of the curve because I knew how to use an IBM two-floppy drive computer. In those days, one drive held the program disk and one held the data. The printer was a dot matrix, form feed, slow as molasses dinosaur. It would take forever to print out a page, and forever and a day for a report.

The slowness of the printer, however, would cause me to check and recheck my work. It was a natural brake on the speed at which I worked, which actually increased the quality because I didn't want to wait for a reprint.

As laser printers have increased the speed at which we can see a hard copy, it is easier to be sloppy and less accurate, which results in a decrease in productivity. Word processors — they used to be called typists — at one time were required to have high accuracy because typed documents were hard to correct.

In this age of spell checkers and fast printing, accuracy has given way to speed, and concern for quality is less important

than quantity. I see it in the documents I receive, the letters that are sent to me and in the horrendous spelling, and improper grammar, that is fast becoming acceptable.

Technology — all technology — whether it's a knife to cut vegetables, or a Cray supercomputer, is only as good as the operator. I've been in kitchens and seen people mangle a carrot, because they don't care to or know how to chop properly. I've seen people make a computer provide information in a virtuoso performance.

That is why the need to teach the basics is so critical. The technology to understand the voice is becoming more accurate, which means that it will soon replace a significant number of word processors. But that means that the writers will have to edit their own pieces more, and if they do not possess the ability to differentiate the right from the wrong, the technology loses its greatest benefit.

I've received a letter from another attorney who was trying to convey an alternate meaning. I'm fairly sure he dictated "in other words ..." but what was written was 'another words ...' The prob-

lem with this type of error is that I recall the error and not his message.

Technology is a force for good. It allows the office manager of my sleep lab to work poolside with a cellphone and a laptop. It allows me to get a day of skiing in and not miss the big crises in the office. It has resulted in greater productivity for thousands, which translates into better quality of life for millions of people.

It is also a curse that means I feel the pressures of running two companies, all the time. Which affects my quality of life.

We should take advantage of the benefits of technology, in the same way that humans have taken advantage of new technologies from fire, to steel, to printing. But we should also remember that technology is like a good dog, it should serve us, not the other way around.

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COMMENTARY



Ch-ch-ch-childrearing must grow on you



ANY DAY IN LA

BY HEIDI MANTEUFFEL

Some people blame me for my child turning out the way he did, but I blame it on poor lighting and an abundance of mold.

What you're looking at is a class case of a rebellious Chia Pet.

No one has contacted me for the rights of "Chias Gone Wild," but for all the parents out there struggling with a similar situation, the story must be told.

The decay and degradation of my first-born pottery all happened so fast — within a month.

My baby hippo was delivered the week before Christmas. Some would call it unexpected — we call him our pottery surprise.

With that sweet green ceramic face all swaddled in plastic, it looked surprisingly nothing like me.

I started by finding him a nice place on the dining room table as I knew little Hilber was going to be the new focus of my life. My addiction to snorting Elmer's glue was just going to have to be put on hold for a bit.

After we placed him gently in his plastic catch-all dish, Hilber's dad and I looked lovingly on at him as Hilber cooed, taking in his new surroundings. Sure he was cute at first, but within two days, he

had already launched a freight train of complaints: The water wasn't distilled enough, the table was too wood-like, and why did we never take him anywhere?

Oh I don't know, maybe because the waitress at Denny's threw us out when we told her Hilber's our kid and should eat for free.

He kept whining about being a baldy so early in life. I told Hilber to relax, that his mom had the same problem and look how she turned out.

That didn't make him feel better. So I quickly fermented Chia seeds for 24 hours in a Petri dish that doubles as my breakfast bowl.

It's too bad more people don't use alfalfa transplants as a viable hair loss solution.

Hilber became a happier hippo as his alfalfa locks started to come in. He pranced around with an air as his hair went from bald to science nerd to the most beautiful head of Chia hair anyone had ever seen.

But as the alfalfa grew, so did Hilber's ego. When the sprouts hit his shoulders, we finally told Hilber to get a haircut. But the pottery could not be stopped.

It was then that I really witnessed Hilber's decision-making process go downhill. It could also have been due to

all the substance abuse and heavy drinking he was partaking in.

The kid drank a lot, and it always went right through him. Sure, at first it helped create a lush, vibrant head of hair. But a month later even his prize hairdo took a turn for the worse.

Hilber's once beautiful, envious plant fro has now turned into a rain drenched mullet.

I know Hilber's partying days were catching up to him, but as he was no longer a minor, there was not much we could do.

His dad and I tried to reason with him that his drinking was ruining his life. The bags under his eyes started to grow. Hilber exhibited a

lack of concentration, not to mention he contracted some nasty patches of mold.

Hilber would stumble home at night completely inebriated, waking up his baby sister in the process. His eyes were glazed over, and his breath reeked of rotten Dasani.

That is when we decided it was time for a Chia intervention.

Hilber's father and I called a family meeting. Hilber had to attend because he can't move.

We told Hilber that we were tired of his reckless behavior — it was tearing the family unit apart. Hilber laid there stone cold, not listening to a word we said.

I gave him an ultimatum: "Hilber, you can either agree to abide by our rules, or you can find a new home."

I guess a wild Chia can't be broken in. We don't know where Hilber is now, but if you see him tell him that we love him, and to please, lay off the Sparkletts.

(Heidi can be reached at anydayin-la@gmail.com.)

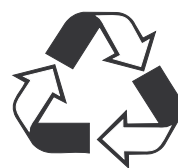


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What rubbish: City wants fast-food joints to pay

BY TERENCE CHEA

Associated Press Writer

OAKLAND, Calif. — They spill out of trash cans, clog sewers and litter city streets and sidewalks. Burger wrappers, french fry containers and beverage cups discarded from fast-food restaurants and convenience stores plague cities across America.

Oakland officials are so fed up with fast-food trash that they want to tax the businesses they blame for much of the city's garbage woes, then use the money to clean up the streets.

"It's not fair that the residents have to clean up after a fast-food establishment that's making a profit," said Councilwoman Jane Brunner, who proposed the new ordinance. "A city is judged by how clean it is, and Oakland definitely has a major litter problem. It's time to clean up."

Despite protests from business owners, a city council committee last month endorsed the measure, which would impose fees on all restaurants and stores that serve take-out food or beverages. The full eight-member council was expected to vote on the ordinance Tuesday.

If approved, Oakland would be the first city in the nation to force eateries, food and liquor stores to chip in to clean up litter, industry officials say.

Businesses are fighting the measure, saying they'll be forced to pass along the costs to customers, including low-income residents and young people who are the biggest consumers of fast food.

"This is an indirect tax on the people," said Benjamin Scott, public policy director for Oakland's Chamber of Commerce. "This ordinance does little to address the problem of litter in Oakland."

Businesses say the city should educate the public and enforce littering laws. Some say they already pay employees to pick up trash in their neighborhoods.

"Littering is a crime, but they're not enforcing the law," said Johnnie Downs, director of local government affairs for the California Restaurant Association. "We need to educate the youths on why littering is bad and the effect litter has on neighborhoods."

Litter from fast-food restaurants has become a major problem in communities nationwide as more Americans depend on quick meals to accommodate "on-the-go" lifestyles, said Rob Wallace, a spokesman for Keep America Beautiful, a Stamford, Conn.-based nonprofit group.

Recent surveys show that fast-food packaging makes up about 20 percent of all litter, with packaging for chip bags, drink containers, candy wrappers and other snacks comprising another 20 percent, Wallace said. One Texas study found a connection between litter and proximity to fast-food restaurants, shopping malls

and convenience stores.

"By its very nature, all fast food has significant packaging components ... that become part of the waste stream with every meal, within minutes after the point of purchase," Wallace said.

In Oakland, Brunner has received complaints about fast-food litter for the past eight years. Standing in front of a Burger King restaurant across from Oakland Technical High School, she pointed out neighborhoods where students toss lunch wrappers on streets, sidewalks and residents' lawns.

Jason Bandarra, who lives near the high school, said he picks up litter around his neighborhood three or four times a week.

"Nobody wants to have fast-food wrappers all over the place," Bandarra said. "It's just disgusting. When you have all this trash floating around the neighborhood, the neighborhood looks blighted."

Keeping the streets clean is key to revitalizing a city often seen as a poor stepchild to its more glamorous neighbor across the bay — San Francisco. Last year, Oakland went so far as to sue the state Department of Transportation for failing to clean up and prevent dumping along freeway corridors in the city.

Oakland, with a population of about 400,000, has programs for sweeping streets, cracking down on illegal dumping and asking businesses to "adopt" areas and keep them clean, but the paper bags, cups,

lids, wrappers and straws won't go away.

The proposed ordinance would affect about 450 Oakland establishments, including about 60 fast-food chains, 90 liquor stores and 300 other businesses that sell food and beverages in disposable packaging, Brunner said.

Businesses would be required to pay fees ranging from \$230 to \$3,800 based on their income. Brunner estimates that more than three-quarters of the affected businesses would only pay the minimum fee, which amounts to 63 cents a day.

The larger fast-food chains would pay higher fees, but restaurants that are part of business improvement districts that volunteer to clean up their neighborhoods would be eligible for fee reductions or exemptions.

The city would use the projected \$237,000 a year to hire small crews to pick up litter in commercial areas around high schools and middle schools where most of the garbage is found.

As part of the program, Oakland police would conduct "litter stings" and ticket litterbugs, and schools would teach students about the costs of littering, Brunner said.

Christopher Waters, who owns a small cafe in North Oakland, said he backs the proposal.

"We all have to take responsibility for the products we sell," Waters said, "before and after people walk out the door with them."

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New charges await the celebrity private eye

BY GREG RISLING

Associated Press Writer

LOS ANGELES — Hollywood loves a good scandal — cheating spouses, sex tapes, drug addictions.

The industry's obsessive rumor mill has churned over the past few months in anticipation of the outcome of a three-year FBI investigation into suspected illegal wiretapping by celebrity private investigator Anthony Pellicano.

Answers could finally be revealed Monday when the 61-year-old shamus is expected to be arraigned on unspecified federal charges.

"Everybody wonders who is going to take the fall," said Laurie Levenson, a professor at Loyola Law School and a former federal prosecutor.

"He's like (Jack) Abramoff. You just hope you didn't get your picture taken with him," Levenson said, referring to the lobbyist who recently pleaded guilty to federal corruption charges.

Pellicano has worked for a galaxy of Hollywood stars, such as Michael Jackson, Elizabeth Taylor and Sylvester Stallone. High-profile lawyers and agents also have enlisted Pellicano's services.

But prosecutors haven't disclosed if any famous names might be tied to the investigation or have testified before a grand jury.

Pellicano was released Friday from a federal prison in Taft after completing a 2 1/2-year sentence for possessing illegal weapons, prison spokeswoman Pam Jones said. He was transferred to San Bernardino County Jail, which is sometimes used by the federal government to house its detainees, said Jimell Griffin, an inspector for the U.S. Marshals Service.

Griffin said Pellicano was booked on charges "that are under seal," but he wouldn't elaborate.

Both the U.S. attorney's office and the FBI declined to comment on whether an indictment has been filed.

The investigation has led to some arrests. Last month, a former Beverly Hills police officer pleaded guilty to two counts of wire fraud and four counts of unauthorized access of protected computers to commit fraud.

Sandra Carradine, 58, the ex-wife of actor Keith Carradine, pleaded guilty to two counts of perjury.

Both are scheduled to be sentenced later this year.

Robert Pfeifer, former president of Hollywood Records, also has been arrested in connection with the case, his attorney Leonard Sharenow told The Associated Press on Sunday. Although charges against the 50-year-old music industry executive weren't revealed, Sharenow said Pfeifer hired Pellicano in

2000 over a dispute with a former employer.

Sharenow said he and Pfeifer met with federal prosecutors in 2004 and "thought we answered all their questions."

"He's upset of course," Sharenow said of his client who was arrested Friday. "He believes he never did anything wrong and he's going to fight this."

Others have said they have been contacted by federal authorities about the wiretapping investigation.

Comedian Gary Shandling told The New York Times in 2003 that the FBI notified him about the possibility of his phones being wiretapped.

Prominent entertainment lawyer Bert Fields, who often hired Pellicano as an investigator, has said he was questioned by federal agents. The attorney has denied any wrongdoing.

"Everyone who hired this guy is a logical target for an investigation," said Lon Sobel, a professor at Southwestern University School of Law and editor of Entertainment Law Reporter, a monthly trade publication. "It's a hell of an embarrassing situation to be in."

Attorney Victor Sherman, who helped represent Pellicano in his federal explosives case, believes authorities have tried to string out the investigation and said his former client has been upset and concerned by the prospects of an indictment.

"They're playing games," Sherman said. "They are trying to make it as painful on him as possible."

Before he went into prison, Pellicano said he wouldn't cooperate in the wiretapping probe and would protect the confidentiality of his clients.

Pellicano has made his career living in the limelight. He first gained acclaim in 1977 after locating the remains of Taylor's third husband after they were stolen from an Illinois cemetery.

He also helped auto maker John DeLorean win acquittal on cocaine trafficking charges in the early 1980s and was hired by Jackson to refute child molestation claims in 1993. Jackson ended up settling out of court with the accuser's family for a reported \$15 million to \$20 million.

Pellicano's troubles began in 2002 when prosecutors claim he hired Alexander Proctor to threaten Anita Busch, then a reporter for the Los Angeles Times, who was working on a story about actor Steven Seagal and possible links to the Mafia.

Proctor allegedly went to Busch's home, placed a dead fish with a rose in its mouth on the windshield of her car and made a bullet-sized hole in her windshield. He also placed a sign with the word "stop" on the windshield, court documents show.

The FBI later raided Pellicano's office, found illegal explosives and seized documents and computers.

Pellicano and Proctor each face one count of making criminal threats and one count of conspiracy but neither have yet entered a plea. Proctor is serving a 10-year prison term in Illinois on unrelated drug charges.

An indictment also may bring further legal reverberations.

"The big issue would be if there was illegally obtained evidence," Levenson said. "It could lead to motions for new trials on cases that have been resolved. This case could cause a major disruption."

Some people also believe an indictment will curtail Hollywood's shady dealings.

"We're talking about celebrities hiring top-gun lawyers to gain privileged information. That's not fair game," said publicist Michael Sands, who suspected Pellicano of tapping his phones in 1990.

Levenson agreed that an indictment could have serious implications in the entertainment industry.

"It has the potential of being a healthy deterrent on how Hollywood people treat each other," she said. "You can't illegally investigate your enemy. Even in Hollywood you have to play by the rules."

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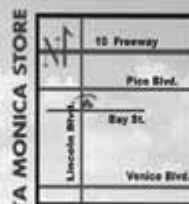
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Movies for Moms! 11:00 a.m., Loews Cineplex Broadway Theatre, 1441 3rd St. Promenade – for Moms and babies newborn – 1 year old. Doors open early for socializing and getting comfortable. Visit www.enjoytheshow.com/reelmoms for details.

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Montana Avenue Branch Library – 1704 Montana Ave – 829-7081.
Terrific Tuesdays – 3:30 p.m., Feb. 14. Stories and crafts for K to 2nd graders.
Family Story Time – 7:00 p.m., all ages.
Ocean Park Branch Library – 2601 Main St. – 392-3804.
Story Time for Twos – 10:00 and 10:30. Session dates Jan. 3 – Feb. 7 (registration required).
Tiny Tuesday Storytime at Storyopolis
For ages infant to 3. 11:00 a.m. 116 North Robertson, Plaza A, LA. 310-358-2500, www.storyopolis.com
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WEDNESDAY

MOMS Club of SM South Playgroups – Newborn group - call for time.
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Storytelling

The Talking Stick Coffee Lounge – 1630 Ocean Park Blvd., 450-6052
10:30 a.m. Free story time for moms and kids ages 0-4 at this neighborhood coffee shop.
Fairview Branch Library – 2101 Ocean Park Blvd – 310-450-0443.
Story Time for Twos – 9:30 a.m.
Preschool Story Time – 10:30 a.m.; ages 3-5.
Session dates Jan. 4 – Feb. 8.
Montana Avenue Branch Library – 1704 Montana Ave – 310-829-7081.
Baby Time - 10:15 & 11:15 a.m., ages 0-2. Session dates Jan. 4 – Feb. 8.
Ocean Park Branch Library – 2601 Main St. –392-3804.
Preschool Twilight Story Time – 7:00 p.m. Parents/children ages 3-5.
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Preschool Story Time – 11:15 a.m.; ages 3-5. Ongoing.
Ocean Park Branch Library – 2601 Main St. – 310-392-3804.
Baby Time – 9:20 & 10:20 a.m. Babies to 2 years. Session dates Jan. 26 – Mar. 2.
Babystyle, 1324 Montana Avenue, 434-9590
10:30 a.m. Free story time for moms and kids ages 0-4.

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Parent's Night Out at Child's Play, 2299 Westwood Blvd., 6:00 – 11:00 p.m.
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Planetarium Show at SMC's John Drescher Planetarium, 7:00 p.m. - Night Sky Show, 8:00 p.m. – featured program. \$5 adults, \$4 children. Pico and 17th St., 434-3000.

Classes

YWCA – A Place for Parents –Toddler & Me Class - 9:15 - 10:15 a.m. – 12 – 36 mos.; Playtime/Parent Support - 10:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m., 2019 14th St. Call 452-3881 for details and prices.

Yoga & Exercise

Fitness for Moms – Babies Welcome! Indoor Cycling, 10:30 a.m. at the YMCA, 393-2721, ext. 117 for more info. Free for members, non-members pay \$90 for 10 classes.
Yoga Works – 2215 Montana Ave, 310-393-5150; Pre/postnatal – 12:30 – 1:55 p.m., \$15.
Stroller Strides Fitness Class – 9:30 a.m. Mon. – Fri., Palisades Park, call 800-795-6708 or visit www.strollerstrides.com for more info.

SATURDAY

Storytelling

Barnes and Noble, 3rd St. Promenade – Kid's Story Time – 10am, 310-260-9110
Barnes and Noble, Westside Pavilion – 10:30am – ages 2-5, 310-475-4144.

Children's Book World, 10580 1/2 Pico Blvd, LA - 10:30 a.m., every other Sat., 310-559-BOOK.
Village Books, 1049 SwarthmoreAve, Pacific Palisades – 10:30 a.m., 454-4063.
826LA, 685 Venice Blvd, 2nd Floor, Venice – 10:30 – 11:30 a.m., ages 3-6, RSVP to info @825LA.com or 310-314-8418. (826LA is a non-profit organization dedicated to supporting students with their creative and expository writing skills, and to helping teachers inspire their students to write).

Classes

YWCA – Toddler & Me - 9:45 – 10:45 a.m.; Parent Enrichment once per month , 11:00 a.m. – noon, call Barbara Olinger at 452-3881 for rates and dates.

Yoga & Exercise

Santa Monica Yoga – Pre- & Post-Natal Yoga, Saturdays – 12:30 – 2:00 p.m.
1640 Ocean Park Blvd, 396-4040, www.santamonicyoga.com
Mommy Care – at the Dance Factory, 11606 San Vicente Blvd., Brentwood, 310-394-6711.
Combined Pregnancy/Recovery Exercise Group – 8:30 – 9:30 a.m.(babies welcome, includes baby massage and workout at the end)
Stroller Strides Fitness Class – 9:00 a.m., Palisades Park, call 800-795-6708 or visit www.strollerstrides.com for more info.

Other

Puppetolio – 1:00 and 3:00pm, 310-656-0483, 1255 2nd St., ages 3 & up, reservations suggested
Magicopolis – 2 and 8 p.m., 1418 4th St., Admission is \$20 for evening, \$15 for matinee. Call 310-451-2241 for info.
Precious Prints – Ceramic Heirlooms for a Lifetime
Second Saturday every month at The Pump Station, 1:00 – 4:00 p.m. Contact Kristan Ritchie at 310-802-8013 or visit www.preciousprintsstudios.com for more info.
Lakeshore Learning Stores "Free Crafts for Kids" – Saturdays, 11:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m., 8888 Venice Blvd., 559-9630.
"A Faery Hunt" – 10:30 a.m., every Saturday at Franklin Canyon Park. An interactive children's show, searching for fairies and other enchanted creatures in the magical canyon and finding them! \$10, call for reservations – 818-324-6802. www.faeryhunt.com. Meet in the parking lot of the Sooky Goldman Nature Center, 2600 Franklin Canyon Dr., Beverly Hills.

SUNDAY

Main Street Farmer's Market – 9:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m., corner of Main St. and Ocean Park Blvd. Pony rides, live music, lots of vendors and great family socializing.
Puppetolio – 1:00 and 3:00pm, 310-656-0483, 1255 2nd St., ages 3 & up, reservations suggested
Magicopolis – 2 p.m., 1418 4th St., Admission is \$15. Call 310-451-2241 for info.

MONDAY

MOMS Club of SM South Playgroups
9:30 a.m. – for children born 1/04 – 9/04; call or email Alison at 393-4481/riversalison@hotmail.com for more info. All moms welcome!

Storytelling

Barnes and Noble, 3rd St. Promenade – Toddler Story Time – 10am – 310-260-9110
Baby Time – 9:30 a.m. Storytelling for babies up to age two. Followed by Family Connections.
Joslyn Park Craft Room, 633 Kensington Rd.

Family Connections – 10:00 a.m. Learn about child development, family relationships and many other parenting topics from well-respected experts in fields related to early childhood development and growth. This series is presented FREE! by the SMMUSD's Infant and Family Support Program. This is a great chance for moms with young babies to socialize and meet other moms. For moms with babies up to age two. Come at 9:30 a.m. for Baby Time Storytelling. Joslyn Park Craft Room, 633 Kensington Rd.

Classes

YWCA – A Place for Parents –Toddler & Me Class - 9:15 - 10:15 a.m. – 12 – 36 mos.; "Playtime – A combination play time and parent support time", 10:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m., 2019 14th St. Call 452-3881for details and prices.

Breastfeeding Group

The Pump Station, 2415 Wilshire Blvd., 310-998-1981 - drop-in, first class free, \$10 fee thereafter.
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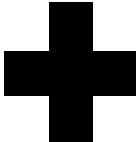
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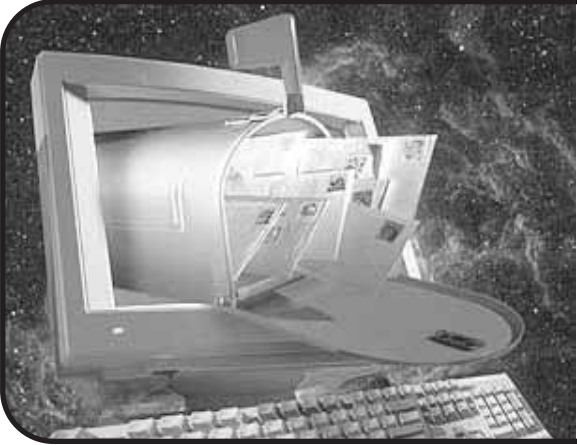
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Alleged shooter's accomplice yet to be charged

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complaint alleges the attempted murder was to further a criminal street gang, which carries a higher penalty.

Espinola is being held on \$2.4 million bail. If convicted, he faces life in prison.

Espinola's alleged accomplice in the shooting is Santa Monica resident Richard DeLa Cruz, 32, who was arrested on Jan. 26 for attempted murder of a police officer and a felony probation violation, said SMPD Lt. Frank Fabrega. The Los Angeles District Attorney's Office has not charged DeLa Cruz, pending further investigation and evidence analysis.

The shooting occurred about 5 a.m. last Thursday near the corner of 20th Street and Pico Boulevard. Officers immediately sealed off the area and conducted a search, locating Espinola and DeLa Cruz in an apartment build-

ing in the 1900 block of 17th Street near Santa Monica College. The department's SWAT team was deployed and negotiated the surrender of the two men at approximately 6:15 a.m., according to police.

Officer Walter Ramirez, a four-year-veteran of the department, suffered a wound to his right wrist, and was transported to UCLA Medical Center where he was treated and released.

Shortly before the shooting, the suspects were observed acting suspiciously in the parking lot of the Ralph's grocery store at 1600 Cloverfield Boulevard.

Officers in a marked patrol car notified Ramirez and his partner, who were in an undercover unit assigned to burglary suppression. They observed Espinola and DeLa Cruz drive off in a blue van and proceeded to follow them at a distance of roughly two blocks, according to police.

The officers lost sight of the suspects' van around 18th

Street and Pico Boulevard. As the officers drove south on 17th Street, they noticed the van parked in a driveway. As Ramirez drove closer, a suspect, believed to be Espinola, jumped from the passenger side of the van, raised a weapon and fired three rounds, one striking Ramirez in the right wrist as he tried to drive away from the scene.

As Ramirez drove forward, one shot was fired. The second shot went through the passenger side window and struck Ramirez. A third shot shattered the right rear window.

The officers did not return fire, police said.

DeLa Cruz was arrested two years ago after the SMPD SWAT team raided his apartment in the 1900 block on 17th St. He was charged with probation violation after police found evidence in his apartment that allegedly linked him to shootings in the neighborhood weeks before.

Couple expected to pay restitution to victims

MAIL FRAUD, from page 1

meanor counts, including five counts of grand theft, five counts of false advertising, and one count of conspiracy. Their pleas were taken by Superior Court Judge Bernard Kamins.

Under the terms of the agreement, the couple faces fines of more than \$80,000. Both Noworyta and Chaidezdiaz will have to perform 600 hours of hard labor community service; they will be credited for the nine days they've served in LA County Jail and have three year's probation; and there will be full restitution to all known victims.

Adam Radinsky, deputy city attorney, said mail scams occur frequently, but people can take steps to avoid being victims.

"Unfortunately, this type of scam is very common in our society today, when it is easy to produce mass mailings by Internet or by the U.S. mail," Radinsky said. "We hope this case serves as a wake-up call for those who are considering this kind of illegal conduct and consumers who can easily be misled by false promises."

"A good rule of thumb is that you should never pay somebody else to give you employment."

In December, Noworyta and Chaidezdiaz were released on \$200,000 combined bail. As conditions of their release, Noworyta and Chaidezdiaz had to surrender their passports, were ordered to remain in Southern California and were prohibited from selling their real estate or motor vehicles, according to the City Attorney's Office.

Radinsky said the City Attorney's Office became

involved in the case after receiving at least three different complaints from victims of the alleged scam, beginning in September. Shortly after, the City Attorney's Office was contacted by federal investigators, who had begun their own investigation, Radinsky said.

The couple is alleged to have operated under a number of different names, including: Mayflower Publishing Executive Publications, Ad-Ventures International and Tri-Star Publishing. Both the City Attorney's Office and federal investigators are continuing to search for additional victims who may have made payments over the past year.

Jerry Kaplan, the couple's attorney, said he was satisfied with the agreement reached.

"We think it's resolved in a way that was fair to all sides," Kaplan said.

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Whale scrapes by in Bay

WHALE, from page 1

Peter Wallerstein, president of Whale Rescue Team, a non-profit organization that provides animal rescue services for the city. "This is the time when newborns are learning what the ocean is. The mother could be 100 yards away and keep in constant contact, knowing every move their babies are making."

Since gray whales feed off what lives on or near the ocean floor, filtering sand through their baleen plates, the whale spotted on Monday could have been feeding in the shallow water or simply using the

ocean floor to scrape off barnacles and lice.

"It's really nothing to get concerned over," Wallerstein said. "Maybe one out of 100 whales might need help if they are that close to the shore, but most of the time it's usually a good thing to sit back and enjoy."

The gray whale, or Eschrichtius Robustus, tends to reach lengths of up to 45 feet and can weigh as much as 70,000 pounds. At birth, calves are approximately 15 feet long, according whaletimes.org. An adult eats about 660 pounds of food a day or 340,000 pounds during their four-month feeding period.

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The defense rests, but Bush's \$2.77 trillion plan cuts elsewhere

BY MARTIN CRUTSINGER
AP Economics Writer

WASHINGTON — President Bush sent Congress a \$2.77 trillion spending plan on Monday that would bolster the nation's war against terrorism but squeeze many other government programs in an effort to deal with an exploding budget deficit projected to hit an all-time high this year.

Bush, hoping to get his domestic agenda back on track after a year of political setbacks, sent Congress a budget blueprint that emphasizes keeping the country strong militarily while offering mostly modest initiatives to deal with voter anxiety about rising global competition, soaring energy prices and skyrocketing medical bills.

"My administration has focused the nation's resources on our highest priority — protecting our citizens and our homeland," Bush said in his budget message. "Working with Congress, we have given our men and women on the front lines in the war on terror the funding they need to defeat the enemy and detect, disrupt and dismantle terrorist plots and operations."

Bush's spending proposals, contained in four massive volumes featuring green and beige covers, are for the 2007 budget year that begins next Oct. 1. The \$2.77 trillion in spending would be up by 2.3 percent from projected spending of \$2.71 trillion this year.

The administration in its budget documents said the deficit for this year will soar to an all-time high of \$423 billion, reflecting increased outlays for the Iraq war and hurricane relief.

The administration says the deficits will be on a declining path over the next five years, which would allow the president to achieve his goal of cutting the deficit in half by 2009, the year he leaves office.

Bush is also seeking savings by trimming the growth of spending in Medicare, the government's giant health care program for the elderly and disabled, by \$35.9 billion over five years, and making similar reductions in a number of other benefit programs.

"These are not cuts," White House Budget Director Joshua Bolten told reporters of Bush's Medicare plans. "These are modest reductions in the rate of growth."

With the various reductions, Bush is able to meet his goal of cutting the deficit in half from 2004 while making permanent sweeping tax cuts enacted during his first term that are now scheduled to end after 2010.

The cost of extending those tax cuts will add \$120 billion to the deficit in 2011 and more than \$1 trillion to the deficits from 2012 to 2016.

Democrats attacked what they said were Bush's skewed priorities. They said he was trying to impose austere budgets that will harm programs for the poor while protecting tax cuts Democrats said were going primarily to the wealthy.

Senate Minority Leader Harry Reid, D-Nev., said that the budget was "filled with pages of giveaways to special interests and cuts to those who can least afford it."

Responding, presidential spokesman Scott McClellan said, "The president is focused on making sure that we keep our economy growing, and that means keeping taxes low."

Republicans in Congress expressed support for the spending document, which will kick off months of debate likely to last until the next budget year begins in October and perhaps beyond.

"We have to face up to this fiscal reality that this baby boom generation is going to retire soon and we need to do something about it," said Senate Budget Committee Chairman Judd Gregg, R-N.H.

In addition to trimming Medicare, other proposed Bush savings in so-called mandatory spending, because the payments are set in law for all who are eligible, include \$4.99 billion in changes in farm commodity programs, and \$16.7 billion in reforms of the Pension Benefit Guaranty Corp., the government program that backs private pensions.

The biggest spending increase would go to the military, a 6.9 percent rise to \$439.3 billion for 2007, a figure that does not include the costs of fighting wars in Iraq and Afghanistan. The administration said last week it will ask Congress for an additional \$120 billion to cover fighting for the rest of this year and the early part of 2007 while seeking another \$18 billion in hurricane relief this year.

While the Department of Homeland Security would also see an increase for 2007, nine of the 15 Cabinet-level agencies would see outright cuts in their discretionary spending for next year.

Bush is proposing to continue a serious squeeze on the one-sixth of the budget outside posing seeks to put a serious squeeze on the one-sixth of the budget outside of defense and homeland security that is subject to annual appropriations. This year he would cut spending in this area by 0.5 percent.

To achieve this goal, Bush is seeking savings of \$14.5 billion by eliminating and drastically scaling back 141 government programs. Last year, he targeted 154 such programs and won two-fifths of the spending cuts he requested, amounting to \$6.5 billion in savings.

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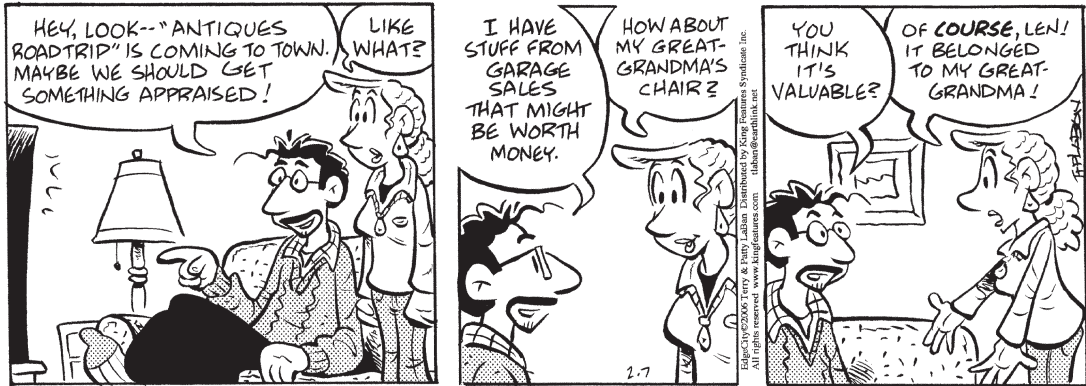


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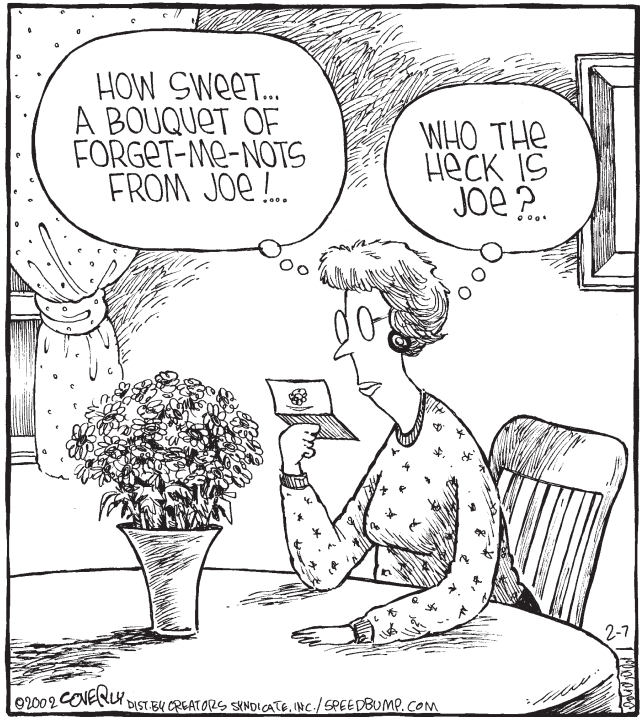
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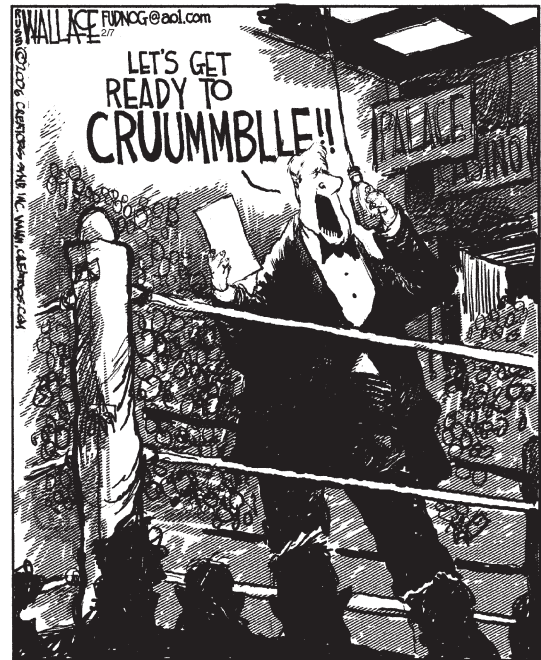
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Pesci acts out: ‘Goodfella’ may have snapped

By The Associated Press

BOCA RATON, Fla. — Police have confirmed that Oscar-winning actor Joe Pesci is being investigated after a fan said the star punched him in the mouth because he snapped a photo of him in a shopping center parking lot.

The “Goodfellas” star gave his account of the Jan. 22 incident last week at a Boca Raton home where he was staying, police spokesman Sgt. Jeff Kelly said. Garry Serino, who was with Pesci at the time, also gave police a statement.

Kelly did not provide details because of the investigation.

“There are two sides to every story,” Kelly said.

Police were preparing to send the investigation results to the Palm Beach County prosecutors to determine whether Pesci should be charged with misdemeanor battery for allegedly punching Juan Carlos Montenegro, 24.

Montenegro, a Broward Community College student, told police that after encountering Pesci, 62, he shook the actor’s hand and told him he was a big fan. He then purchased a camera, walked toward Pesci and asked for a picture, but the actor refused, he said.

Montenegro kept asking to take a picture, and when Pesci turned, Montenegro took the photograph. Pesci then punched him with his right fist, the report said.

If Pesci is charged, he would be issued a court summons, and would not be booked into the county jail, said Mike Edmondson, state attorney’s office spokesman.

Pesci’s attorney, Jay Julien, did not return a call for comment.

MOORPARK, Calif. — Feznick, an aspiring celebrity kangaroo, underwent lip surgery because he was bitten by a wolf at a Hollywood animal farm.

The 75-pound kangaroo underwent plastic surgery on Sunday and veterinarians say the marsupial will soon be ready to resume his acting career.

Feznick is an aspiring actor who often appears at corporate events and was on the red carpet for the opening of last year’s movie flop “Kangaroo Jack,” his owner Eadie McMullan said.

Last year, Feznick stuck his snout under a fence at a Kern County farm for Hollywood animals and was bitten by a wolf, leaving the 4-year-old kangaroo with a toothy, Billy Idol-style sneer, veterinarian Scott Amsel said.

Surgery on Sunday turned Feznick’s muzzle back into a fuzzy, made-for-TV, face.

Westlake Village plastic surgeon Dr. Theodore

Corwin performed the two-hour lip surgery, the first time he’s ever worked on an animal. He didn’t charge for Feznick’s lip repair.

“It looks like people surgery in a way,” said surgical nurse Jeanine Rich, “except the patient is a little hairier.”

NEW YORK — The Three Tenors won’t make it to a fifth straight World Cup and will be replaced by two tenors and a soprano.

A news conference was scheduled for Tuesday at the Metropolitan Opera House to announce that Placido Domingo will be joined by tenor Rolando Villazon and soprano Anna Netrebko at a concert in Berlin on July 7, two days before the World Cup final.

On the final weekend of the last four World Cups, Domingo sang with Luciano Pavarotti and Jose Carreras in concerts where the trio was dubbed “The Three Tenors.” Those performances took place in Rome (1990), Los Angeles (1994), Paris (1998) and Yokohama, Japan (2002). According to Domingo’s Web site, there have been a total of 34 “Three Tenors” concerts in which the trio sang, the last on Sept. 28, 2003, at Columbus, Ohio.

In Germany, Domingo, Villazon and Netrebko will sing with the Orchestra of the Deutsche Oper Berlin and conductor Marco Armiliato.

BOMBAY, India — Bryan Adams is writing a new album, but of the 30 songs he’s already come up with, he loves just three.

“There’s a saying, ‘It’s easy to write songs, but very difficult to write great songs.’ I’m going through that right now,” Adams told reporters Friday while on his fourth tour to India.

Adams spoke of the discipline and objectivity that songwriters must have.

“It’s a really difficult process,” he said. “You have to be methodical and focused.”

The Canadian rocker recalled the rough, early days when as a struggling 18-year-old he signed a contract with a record company for just \$1.

“I didn’t have a manager, I didn’t have a band, I was just a songwriter,” Adams said. “But I needed to get my foot in the door, so I took the dollar.”

He released his first album in 1980, but it wasn’t until his third “Cuts Like a Knife” in 1983 that the hits began to roll in.

Adams has since won 10 Grammys and scored 12 platinum discs worldwide.

He celebrated 25 years in the music business last year with a collection, “Anthology.”

Adams played in Pakistan before coming to India. His Karachi concert helped raise money for victims of the South Asian earthquake in October that killed 87,000 people and left millions homeless, mostly in northern Pakistan.

HONG KONG — “Memoirs of a Geisha” star Zhang Ziyi is a rising star in Hollywood, but said she won’t let her international fame get to her head.

“My best trait is that I know my limitations ... I won’t think it’s a big deal to get on the cover of Time or having a full-page report in The New York Times devoted to me. If you think through these things, you won’t have trouble falling asleep at night,” Zhang was quoted as saying in a report on the Chongqing Morning News’ Web site.

The “Crouching Tiger, Hidden Dragon” star attributed her success to hard work — not just luck. Zhang has worked with some of the top names in the industry since her debut, including Zhang Yimou, Ang Lee and Jackie Chan.

“I work very hard. I do a lot of homework for every role,” Zhang said, according to the online report.

She said she’s emerged from the shadow of Gong Li, a famous Chinese star before her time and her co-star in “Memoirs of a Geisha.”

“People used to call me mini-Gong Li, but no one does that any more,” she reportedly said.

BEVERLY HILLS, Calif. — Actor Dick Van Patten made his first public appearance Sunday since suffering a diabetic stroke two weeks ago, his publicist said.

The “Eight is Enough” patriarch joined Bill Maher, Penny Marshall and other celebrities for a Super Bowl party at Wolfgang Puck’s famous Spago Restaurant, said his publicist, Daniel Bernstein.

Van Patten, 76, spent several days at Cedars-Sinai Medical Center after having a stroke last month, Bernstein said. The actor showed no apparent injuries from the stroke and is expected to make a full recovery, he said.

Van Patten is “feeling great and is very excited to be watching the big game with friends,” his publicist said in a statement.

Van Patten has acted in scores of radio programs, Broadway plays and films, but he is best known for “Eight is Enough.” The ABC comedy-drama, which ran from 1977 to 1981, starred Van Patten as Tom Bradford, a newspaper columnist coping with a household of eight children.

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