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Those good vibrations might be premature

BY MELODY HANATANI
Daily Press Staff Writer

CITY HALL The lovefest was short-lived.

Following the Fiscal Crisis Management Assistance Team's recent report that basically gave the school board the green light to ratify a 5-percent teacher pay raise, good vibrations could be felt throughout the district. Those have stilled somewhat, as it appears the district might not be out of the woods.

The FCMAT report released earlier this month confirmed

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Beautiful people's court

SM Courthouse is ripe for celebrity sightings

BY KEVIN HERRERA
Daily Press Staff Writer

SM COURTHOUSE Whether it's a \$10 million defamation lawsuit filed against socialite Paris Hilton, an extortion case involving action hero Bruce Willis, or the O.J. Simpson civil trial in which the NFL great was found responsible for the murder of his ex-wife, the halls of this courthouse have

hosted an array of legal disputes — both petty and pressing — involving Hollywood's elite.

"We definitely get more than our fair share of celebrity trials here," said Linda Lefkowitz, supervising judge of the Santa Monica Courthouse. "You never know when you are going to run into one."

There was the restraining order filed by Colin Farrell against a former phone

sex operator who sued the "Alexander" star for harassment after he allegedly sent more than 500 filthy text messages bragging about his sexual prowess, and the case of "Desperate Housewives" star Teri Hatcher, who sued a gossip columnist for writing that she had sex with men in a van outside of her home.

Even mundane things like a name

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4th Annual 'Dance! Santa Monica'

1130 Lincoln Blvd., 8 p.m.

An eclectic hour of dance presented by local choreographers: Suchi Branfman, Chloe Arnold, Eryn Schon, Rebecca Levy and Deborah Rosen. There will be a brief Q & A after the performances with the choreographers. Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$5 for seniors and kids, 14 and under. Tickets can be reserved by calling (310) 458-8634.

African-American Arts Festival at STAR ECO Station

10101 W. Jefferson Blvd., Culver City, 10 a.m. — 4 p.m.

This free outdoor event includes live music, dance performances, paintings, sculpture, ceramics, jewelry, world-class capoeira, food, vendors, crafts, games and more. For more info, visit www.ecostation.org, or call (310) 842-8060.

'Miss Nelson Is Missing'

2627 Pico Blvd., 11 a.m. — 12:15 p.m.

The Morgan-Wixson Theatre in Santa Monica presents this play based on the Miss Nelson books for children. Tickets are \$5 for children (under 12) and \$7 for adults. Reservations can be made by calling (310) 828-7519. For more information, visit www.morgan-wixson.org.

Whale Watching at Malibu Pier

23000 Pacific Coast Highway, Malibu, 11:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m.

Whale watching voyages will sail from Malibu Pier on the 55-foot boat "Aquarius." The trip lasts approximately two and a half hours. Ticket prices are \$25 for adults, \$20 for seniors, and \$15 for juniors. For further information and reservations, call (310) 456-8037. Group rates are available.

'Jules'

1404 Third Street Promenade, 8 p.m.

This "Romeo & Juliet" inspired story is told through the eyes of Juliet, with provocative queries addressing racial and political tension amongst today's youth. For more information, call the Promenade Playhouse & Conservatory at (310) 656-8070.

'Frida Kahlo'

2332 W. Fourth St., Los Angeles, 8 p.m.

This play, written and directed by Ruben Amavizca, and based on the life of the Mexican artist, takes an analytical look at the woman behind the artist. Spanish and English-language versions of the play are both available. For information and reservations, call (213) 382-8133 or visit www.fridakahlotheater.org.

Sunday, Feb. 18, 2007

Los Angeles heroes

501 Westwood Plaza, Westwood, 7:30 p.m. — 9:30 p.m.

The Art of Living Foundation is sponsoring a 'Heroes of Humanity' event to honor heroes from the L.A. area. The event will be held at UCLA in the Ackerman Grand Ballroom. Ticket prices range from \$25 to \$125. Purchase your tickets online by visiting www.uplifthumanvalues.org or call (310) 467-4009.

The Nuts and Bolts of Judaism with Rabbi Dan Shevitz

206 Main St., 10 a.m. — 11 a.m.

A series of classes designed to offer participants some of the basics of Jewish learning. To be held in Mishkon's Social Hall, following Kiddush.

For more information on any of the events listed, log on to smdp.com and click the "Events" tab for the given day's calendar.



Tobacco ban has prisoners seeing black

BY JEREMIAH MARQUEZ

Associated Press Writer

LANCASTER, Calif. There's no if, and or butt about it: California's ban on tobacco in prisons has produced a burgeoning black market behind bars, where a pack of smokes can fetch up to \$125.

Prison officials who already have their hands full keeping drugs and weapons away from inmates now are spending time tracking down tobacco smugglers, some of them guards and other prison employees. Fights over tobacco have broken out — at one Northern California prison guards had to use pepper spray to break up a brawl among 30 inmates.

The ban was put in place in July 2005 to improve work conditions and cut rising health care costs among inmates but it also has led to an explosive growth of tobacco trafficking. The combination of potentially big profits and relatively light penalties are driving the surge.

"I've never seen anything like it," said Lt. Kenny Calhoun of the Sierra Conservation Center in Northern California, where officials report cigarette prices of \$125 a pack.

Darren Cloyd is nearing the end of his 15-year sentence at California State Prison, Los Angeles County, for second-degree armed robbery. Before the ban he remembers paying about \$10 for a can with enough rolling tobacco for dozens of cigarettes. Now one contraband cigarette can cost that much.

"The black market is up here," said Cloyd, 37. "Everyone and their momma smoke."

California has the nation's largest prison population — 172,000 adult inmates. While many states limit tobacco use in prisons, California is among only a few that ban all tobacco products and require workers as well as inmates to abide by the prohibition when inside the walls.

Still, tobacco finds its way into prisons.

Sometimes, family and friends are able to secretly pass it to inmates during visits. Other times, inmates assigned to work crews off prison grounds arrange for cohorts outside the prison to leave stashes of tobacco at prearranged drop sites, then smuggle it behind bars.

A less-risky method: culling small amounts of tobacco from cigarette butts

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By leaps and bounds

Robert Collins, 19, a nationally ranked track star for Santa Monica College leads the pack en route to a win in the 110-meter hurdles at the Western State Conference meet on Thursday at the SMC campus. Collins finished with a time of a 15.56.

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Landlord in Supreme defiance

BY MELODY HANATANI

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SUNSET PARK Undeterred by the two courts that have already ruled against him, an accused slumlord is digging in for another fight.

It's been a rough few years for Guillermo Gonzalez, an embattled Sunset Park live-in landlord who has fueded with the city of Santa Monica over allegations that his three-unit apartment building at 2438 Ocean Park Blvd. is in dire straits.

City officials have charged that the structure is a fire and safety hazard for more than 15 years, serving as a haven for criminal activity.

"The city wants to see everyone homeless," said Gonzalez, sitting in his front courtyard on a sunny Friday afternoon. "They don't want to see anybody with a house."

Two years ago, the maintenance and management of the 1,500-square foot prop-

erty was taken from Gonzalez and placed in the hands of a Century City attorney, David J. Pasternak.

The 34-year landlord is fighting two battles — the trial court's decision to appoint Pasternak as receiver, and its approval to bulldoze the building. Unfortunately for Gonzalez, the lower court's decisions were upheld by the Appellate Court. Now, Gonzalez is hoping the third time is a charm and that the California Supreme Court will listen.

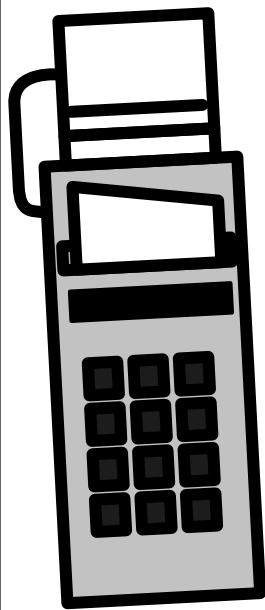
The apartment building on Ocean park Boulevard would not exactly be classified as eye candy. A mismatched combination of wrought iron and chain link fences set the property securely back from the busy boulevard. A combination of different chairs completes an outdated-looking patio furniture set. A slight breeze on Friday was nudging the bent hula hoop that dangled from the branch of a lemon tree in the courtyard.

Both Stan Stern, the attorney representing Gonzalez, and the city of Santa Monica, represented by Deputy City Attorney Adam Radinsky, have filed their briefs to the California Supreme Court. The highest court in the state is now accepting amicus briefs until March 2, after which time it will set a court date to hear oral arguments, according to Adam Radinsky, the head of the city's Consumer Protection Unit.

In his petition to the Supreme Court, Gonzalez alleges that he was denied due process of law under the 14th Amendment and his property rights under the California Constitution were violated, Stern said on Thursday.

A list of claims accompany Gonzalez' case, including that the landlord was not given the opportunity to raise his defense

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Staying in touch with high-tech kids Editor:

Concerns about students misusing camera phones and other high tech items in our classrooms, as written about in the Los Angeles Times on Feb. 8 ("Extracurricular videos roil campus") may seem to be a new worry. Certainly, if you are the parent of a child in either middle or high school, you no doubt remember the days when 'high tech' in the schools meant the AV squad setting up a slide show for your social studies class. But to truly understand the challenges new technologies pose for our classrooms, you have to go back to 1999 – the year of the tragedy at Columbine High School.

The Columbine massacre marked a turning point for parents, who from that day forward have demanded, and rightly so, that they be able to maintain some form of contact with their children during the school day. The events of 9/11 solidified many parents' desire to be able to stay in contact with their children in case of emergency. But as the article in this paper made clear ("School bullying in the digital age," Jan. 20-21, page 1), new technologies pose new challenges. Though it is illegal to tape record a phone conversation without consent, students now, can and do, post embarrassing videos of other students and teachers on Web sites like YouTube. The awkward incidents that every one seems fated to endure as part of their childhoods now have become part of our nation's permanent digital record. Nor does the problem end there. Students who use the cameras on their phones to record their fellow students in an embarrassing moment often go on to use the text-messaging feature on those same phones to cheat on exams. How then, do we find a balance between the need for parents to stay in contact with their children and the right of every student, teacher and parent to privacy and dignity? How do we stay connected to our children, without letting them use those means of connection improperly?

Some would say the answer is to simply not allow children to have cell phones in school. It is unfortunately, unworkable and wrong. School districts who have attempted to take away cell phones from students have been met with hostility, not just from students, but from their parents as well. Moreover, as noted by the Times, teachers are often able to allow students to use their portable technologies for productive purposes. No, we can't just take away all the cell phones, but perhaps the answer to the problems caused by those phones has been staring us in the face all along – communication.

Communication is, after all, what we all use cell phones for, and communicating is what we need to do to solve the problems caused by cell phones in our schools. Parents, teachers, school administrators and, yes, students, are going to have to sit down, as soon as possible, and work it out. If YouTube and other Web sites have shown us anything (besides videos of stupid human tricks, that is), it's that we are no longer living in a top-down society. School districts are going to have to set up technology panels to help set policies that work for all. Should there be cell phone-free areas in every school? Should students have to check their phones with their teachers when they walk into class, the same way patrons check bags before walking into a store? What sort of disciplinary measures are we prepared to use to enforce our new policies, whatever they may be?

We are going to have to answer all of those questions. What we can not do, however, is delay. Our schools can not serve their purpose, can not fulfill their mission of educating our children, if they can not promise all of the people in them, that at the very least, they will be free from humiliation and harassment. It's time everyone involved in our schools, from teachers to students to parents and administrators, have a conversation, one that hopefully, will take place in person, and not on the phone.

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President Santa Monica-Malibu Classroom Teachers Association



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Flipping the bird at America's symbol

THE BELOVED SYMBOL OF THE UNITED States of America is threatened right now. I'm not talking about the juiced-up baseball player, the dollar sign or the hamburger that's too big to fit into your mouth. I'm talking about the bald eagle.

Long a member of the endangered species list, our American bird is probably going to be kicked out of that club. Forty years ago, the eagle was listed as endangered, and the proud bird has flourished since then. Some people feel it's flourished too well.

Back in 1963, only 417 bald eagle nesting pairs could be found in the lower 48 states. Today, there are approximately 8,500 mating pairs in the lower 48. But instead of everybody celebrating the success of conservation and the Endangered Species List, some people feel that since protecting them worked, now we can stop protecting them.

Does this make sense? If we stop protecting them, won't their numbers decrease, and then we'll just have to start protecting them again in the future? Should we also conclude that now that fewer and fewer Americans are dying of various diseases, we should stop giving people vaccines and antibiotics, and wait until more people start dying before we resume treating them?

Last week, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service got an extension, which will keep the eagle on the endangered list at least until June 29, when a decision about its fate will be made. But most people feel it's just a matter of time before the Department of Interior or the anti-conservationist, pro-building lawsuits will force the Bush administration to remove the eagle from the list.

Doesn't President Bush have enough problems? Does he really want to be in the history books as the President who removed the symbol of America from the Endangered Species list?

Just to make things clear, you hunters can stop licking your lips. Even if the bald eagle is removed from the list, this will not allow the killing of our sacred bird. The Bald and Golden Eagle Act of 1940 will still protect them from hunters. Removing the eagles from the list will "merely" allow what conservationists fear will be the disturbing of the eagle's habitat, forcing them to move on and possibly suffer a decline in population.

In other words, builders want to put up condominiums and shopping malls where eagles have their nests or hang out, and they feel these birds can just fly somewhere else and make their homes.

The American Bald Eagle has been our official symbol since 1782. It's been on stamps, government seals, and it's even the logo for the N.R.A. I think we should leave the eagles alone and find another spot for that proposed high-

rise or another Chuck E. Cheese.

I'd actually like to add things to the endangered list, not make it shorter. There are many other things in our country that are endangered. A few examples are:

- A movie ticket that costs less than \$10.
- A television series that's aimed at adults.
- Real sugar in the restaurant sugar bowl instead of just artificial sweeteners.
- Books that aren't about diets or how to become a billionaire.
- Pro football teams that have more players on the field than in court.
- Salads that have lettuce in them.
- Computer programs that come with a manual you can hold in your hands and read.
- Cops that walk the beat.

It's a slippery slope. We have to hold onto

DOESN'T PRESIDENT BUSH HAVE ENOUGH PROBLEMS? DOES HE REALLY WANT TO BE IN THE HISTORY BOOKS AS THE PRESIDENT WHO REMOVED THE SYMBOL OF AMERICA FROM THE ENDANGERED SPECIES LIST?

things that are important to us. If we stop protecting the eagle today, tomorrow we may be saying good-bye to rain checks at car washes.

But some people feel that there are just too many eagles now, and that they've become a nuisance for all of us. Maybe it's just my neighborhood, but I can't remember the last time that a flock of eagles awakened me early in the morning, or messed up my windshield, or that there were so many of them that they blocked out the sun. On the other hand, it's easy for me to remember when I last thought there were too many condos and shopping malls. Just now.

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STRAY talk

A CENTER-CUT, NO-FAT REVIEW OF WHAT WAS SAID THIS PAST WEEK BY FOLKS THE WORLD OVER AND RIGHT AT HOME

"Can I slap you now?"

— Actress Sandra Bullock on her frustration with people continually asking when she's having kids

"It is necessary to hit oil interests in all regions which serve the United States, not just in the Middle East. The goal is to cut its supplies or reduce them through any means."

— Excerpt of an al Qaeda threat posted on a Web site used by Islamic militants.

"Britney came upstairs in a dancer bikini and a white bus-boy jacket. And that's what she walked out wearing."

— Source at One, a New York nightclub, where Britney Spears visited the go-go dancers' dressing room and made a clothing change after deciding she didn't like the micro-mini red dress she was wearing.

"That's not sexy like a new park or (recreation) center, but it's something the city needs to invest in equally."

— Craig Perkins, director of environmental and public works management, regarding street lights

"I understand that they have to do these cuts. But they have to understand that there's a lot of people and families affected by this."

— Alex Tiba, an eight-year factory worker and one of 13,000 Chrysler employees who will be laid off by 2009

"If it makes people think a bit more about priorities, if it makes anybody about to rush in and develop something in the community think twice, then that's all we can hope for."

— Michael Barnard, local director of the movie "90404 Changing: The Vanishing American Neighborhood," on his hopes for the film

"I want to be like Gandhi and Martin Luther King and John Lennon, but I want to stay alive."

— Madonna, during an interview with Sirius' new OutQ/channel 109 station

"I'm sure there are some people who are in favor and some who would be appalled by it, but if the marijuana business is anything like it used to be, they certainly would be able to afford the rent."

— Gary Gordon, of the Main Street Merchants Association, regarding the possible opening of a medical marijuana dispensary on Main Street

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IT'S A DOG OF A BUILDING, BUT IT'S DOGTOWN ... SO MAYBE IT'S THE RIGHT BUILDING FOR THIS."

— Nina Fresco, Chairwoman of the Landmarks Commission, on the possible nomination of the Horizons West Surf Shop as a landmark

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THESE SURELY AREN'T THE GOLDEN DAYS OF ENTERTAINMENT

This week's Q-Line question asked readers:

"What performance, art installation or creative work — from local to international — made the biggest impression on you this past year?"

Here are your responses:

"FRANKLY, NONE OF THESE VENUES did anything to capture my attention. Not like past years, when real creativity, art and enjoyment were the result for the observing public. Now it is all about ego and the money and not too much talent and sensitivity."

"I DO NOT WISH TO WAX OVERLY CRITICAL of today's singers and today's tunes. However, today's singers and tunes are merely an emulation of those singers who, in the past, have made those tunes famous in the 1940s and '50s. Still, if I was to pick a female singer of today I would pick Diane Krall and male singer Andrea Bocelli. I am impressed with the fact that they are both excellent at their craft."

"WHAT MADE THE MOST IMPRESSION on me is some of the stuff that they have the nerve to call art. You see pictures of this stuff and it looks like some drunk threw a bunch of paint on the ground and fell on it and rolled over the canvas. If you

can hang it upside down and nobody notices, it is not art. Leonardo DiVinci was an artist. Monet was an artist. Norman Rockwell was an artist. This modern junk that looks like drunkards throwing paint all over the place is not art. Yet, people are stupid enough to spend thousands and thousands of dollars for this stuff. That is amazing more than anything else."

"THE PERFORMANCE AND ART installation that I saw called 'Blood Diamond' was so excellent. It was just great. And the performance of (Leonardo) DiCaprio and (Djimon) Hounsou made it a wonderful, wonderful movie. I thought the acting and photography was superb and just marvelous."

"THE OSCAR SHOW IS A JOKE, ASKING some silicon bimbo who she is wearing. Ask her to spell the designer's name and you'd have to call the paramedics. Besides, anything with Whoopi Goldberg is a disaster. But you have a choice to see what you think is interesting. Locally, you don't. City Hall's ministry of cultural awareness and correct thought makes sure that your tax dollars are incorrectly used in supporting questionable presentations of creative work so lazy artists can get cheap housing. Sounds very big brother to me. See if the bimbos at the Oscars can spell Orwellian."

"AND THE ACADEMY AWARD FOR BEST Acting goes to ... Santa Monica for Renters Rights! The entire city hates how they have completely ruined our once sweet little town, yet two weeks before every election they yell, cry and threaten tenants that their evil landlords will toss them out if they are not elected. Since there are more tenants than landlords, their great acting always gets them reelected."

"YES, I USED TO LOOK FORWARD TO watching the Oscars. Actually, we used to dress up and have a party and pretend to be at the party with all the movie stars. Again, for the second year, I boycott the event for the poor selection for the emcee. If Hollywood can't do better, then there is no talent. To stay home and watch would be wasted. To watch and listen to that emcee, Ellen Degeneres, makes the entire evening worthless. I do not want to wait for that."

"THE MOTION PICTURE THAT I HOPE wins a lot of Academy Awards is "Letters from Iwo Jima," from Clint Eastwood. It really gives a very human portrayal of the Japanese during that period in time of history. The Japanese are portrayed as having to protect the island for their empire and to die for that empire. As Clint Eastwood has said, Japanese soldiers didn't expect to return home, but the motion

picture focuses on one young Japanese who is brought into the army soon after his wife had a baby and he really didn't want to be there. He does the best he can ... I think this is an excellent motion picture."

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CRIME WATCH
BY DAILY PRESS STAFF

Holy haymakers, Batman: Trouble in Gotham

SATURDAY, FEB. 10, AT 1:20 A.M.

Santa Monica police officers responded to the 1400 block of the Third Street Promenade – Gotham Hall – regarding an assault. When officers arrived, they contacted club security who said a bartender was stabbed in the hand by a woman carrying a switchblade. Officers spoke with the suspect, who said she pulled the switchblade out of her purse because she was afraid that she was going to be attacked by one of two men fighting in the club. When one of the men moved towards her in a threatening way, she said she made a stabbing motion with the knife and accidentally stabbed the bartender, who was trying to break up the fight. The woman was arrested and booked for possession of an illegal weapon and for assault with a deadly weapon. She was identified as Alexia Isis Fino, 29, from Miami Beach, Florida. Her bail was set at \$30,000.

SATURDAY, FEB. 10, AT 5 P.M.

Officers responded to the 1800 block of Main Street – the Civic Auditorium – regarding a theft in progress. When officers arrived, they spoke with organizers of a gem and jewelry show taking place at the auditorium. The organizers said a woman was looking at jewelry at one of the merchants’ booths and grabbed several necklaces and put them in her jacket pocket. She grabbed some other necklaces and paid for them, but left the area without paying for the others she stuffed in her jacket, organizers said. She was detained by private security until police arrived. Officers searched her jacket and found two necklaces worth \$992. The woman was arrested and booked for grand theft. She was identified as Susan Hemmati-Farahani, 47, of Los Angeles. Her bail was set at \$20,000.

FRIDAY, FEB. 9, AT 5:55 P.M.

Officers responded to the 1600 block of Cloverfield Boulevard – Ralphs – regarding a shoplifting suspect who allegedly threatened to kill store employees. When officers arrived, they spoke with store security who said a man walked into the store, grabbed a cart and began filling it with items. He then left the store without paying for the items, store security said. When confronted by employees in the parking lot, the man allegedly threatened to kill the employees and placed his hand underneath the back of his shirt as if he had a gun strapped to his belt. Employees rushed back into the grocery store and called police. A short time later, police received a domestic disturbance call in the 1800 block of 19th Street. The suspect in that disturbance matched the description of the shoplifting suspect. When officers arrived, they took the suspect into custody, at which time he was positively identified by grocery store employees. He was transported to jail and booked for robbery. He was identified as Craig Wayne Jolivet, 47, of Santa Monica. His bail was set at \$10,000.

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 7, AT 7:40 A.M.

Police responded to the 1000 block of 19th Street regarding a report of lewd conduct and vagrancy. When officers arrived, they spoke with a woman who said she was dressing in her apartment when she looked out the window and saw a construction worker watching her while he touched himself. She turned away and went into another room, where she saw the same man a few minutes later looking through her window again, she said. Police located the suspect and placed him under arrest for lewd conduct. He was identified as Juan Jose Mendoza, 25, from south El Monte. His bail was set at \$10,000.

MONDAY, FEB. 5, AT 7:50 A.M.

Officers on routine patrol in the area of Main Street and Pico Boulevard noticed a man walking with an open container of beer. Officers approached the suspect and conducted a search. Officers said they found a screwdriver, which the suspect said he used for protection, as well as a cell phone, a digital voice recorder and a pair of Ray-Ban sunglasses. Further investigation revealed the cell phone had been reported stolen. The suspect was arrested for possession of stolen property. He was identified as Darrell Dominguez Lee, 46, a transient. He was placed on a parole hold and, therefore, no bail was issued.

MONDAY, FEB. 5, AT 8:35 A.M.

Officers responded to the 2100 block of 22nd Street regarding an assault in progress. When officers arrived, they spoke with a man who said he was the victim of an attack. The man said he was involved in an argument with one of his tenants when a friend of the tenant pushed him to the ground and then hit him over the head with a flower pot. The attacker then fled on foot, the landlord said. Officers located the suspect in a nearby apartment building and he was placed under arrest for assault with a deadly weapon. He was identified as Peter Romeo Hellmann, 48, of Santa Monica. His bail was set at \$50,000.

Staff Writer Kevin Herrera compiled these reports.

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Sticking around

Proposal would give lawmakers additional time in one office

BY STEVE LAWRENCE
 Associated Press Writer

SACRAMENTO Two campaign consultants with close ties to the Legislature and governor proposed a ballot initiative Thursday that would modify California's term limits and give some current lawmakers a shot at an additional four to six years in office.

The measure, which supporters hope to put on the ballot in February, would let lawmakers serve up to 12 years, spending all their time in one house or splitting it between the two chambers.

State law now limits lawmakers to six years in the Assembly and eight in the Senate. They can serve a total of 14 years with stints in both houses.

The change would benefit both of the Legislature's top leaders, Assembly Speaker Fabian Nunez, D-Los Angeles, and Senate President Pro Tem Don Perata, D-Oakland. They are scheduled to be termed out of their houses next year.

"This is the most straightforward and best way to do this — to provide more experience than now for legislators, but limit their terms," Gale Kaufman, a political consultant who has worked for Democratic lawmakers, said in a conference call with reporters.

Republican consultant Matthew Dowd also took part in the call and will work on the initiative campaign with Kaufman.

Lawmakers' current term limits were

adopted by California voters in 1990. Critics say they have produced a Legislature filled with inexperienced lawmakers who often are forced from office before they develop expertise in issues facing the state.

Voters soundly rejected an attempt to extend term limits in 2002. That measure, Proposition 45, would have enabled lawmakers to run for an additional four years in office if their supporters collected a certain number of signatures.

But Kaufman and Dowd said polls showing improved public ratings for the governor and Legislature could increase the chances that the 12-year limit would pass.

"I think there is a window (of opportunity), largely driven by the perception of the Legislature and governor working together," Dowd said.

Kaufman said voters were more likely to approve an initiative than a measure put on the ballot by lawmakers.

"It makes it more passable, and that's the goal here," she said.

If approved by voters, the new term limits would be partially retroactive. Time already served by lawmakers in their current house would count against the 12-year limit but not time they may have served in the other house.

So a legislator who already had served six years in the Assembly and was closing in on eight years in the Senate could run for one more four-year Senate term. Similarly, a lawmaker who had served eight years in the Senate and was in a third term in the Assembly could get three more two-year terms in that house.

Paul Jacob, president of U.S. Term Limits, predicted California voters would reject the initiative. He said the proposal would "allow the reimposition of boss rule" by long-serving legislative leaders.

Justice Department names new interim U.S. attorneys

ALLISON HOFFMAN
 Associated Press Writer

SAN DIEGO The Justice Department announced temporary replacements Thursday for two recently ousted U.S. attorneys in San Diego and San Francisco.

Outgoing San Diego chief federal prosecutor Carol Lam will be succeeded by Karen Hewitt, a career federal prosecutor who is currently the executive assistant U.S. attorney for the Southern District of California.

In San Francisco, U.S. Attorney Kevin Ryan will be replaced by Scott Schools, a career federal prosecutor who currently works for the Justice Department overseeing legal guidance and personnel matters for all 94 U.S. attorney's offices across the country.

Hewitt's appointment was announced as staff and local law enforcement personnel gathered for a simple office farewell party just hours before Lam was due to leave her post. Ryan was scheduled to depart on Friday.

Both Hewitt and Schools will serve on an interim basis until new U.S. attorneys are nominated by the White House and confirmed by the Senate.

Lam and Ryan were among more than seven federal prosecutors recently fired, some without cause, by the attorney general under, under a little-known part of the Patriot Act.

Federal prosecutors serve at the pleasure of the president, subject to Senate confirmation.

Democrats contend that prosecutors were forced to resign to make way for Republicans' political allies and that the White House slipped the provision into the Patriot Act to permit such indefinite appointments.

Lam's dismissal, in particular, prompted criticism from Democrats who questioned whether her departure was linked to the prosecution by her office of disgraced former congressman Randy "Duke" Cunningham, a Republican who is currently serving more than eight years in federal prison after pleading guilty to accepting more than \$2.4 million in bribes from defense contractors.

On Tuesday, Lam's office won a pair of long-awaited indictments against a former top CIA official and a defense contractor implicated in the Cunningham case.

Also on Thursday, San Diego-based wireless technology giant Qualcomm, Inc., announced that Lam will join its legal department as senior vice president and legal counsel starting on Feb. 26.

The chip maker is currently embroiled in a global web of lawsuits with Nokia Corp. and other major equipment makers claiming that Qualcomm levies unjust, inflated licensing fees to use its patented technologies in their products. Regulators in Europe, South Korea and Japan are probing Qualcomm's business practices as the company trades lawsuits with rivals across the U.S. and Europe.

Reporters in clear over BALCO leaks

BY PAUL ELIAS AND DAVID KRAVETS
Associated Press Writers

SAN FRANCISCO Two San Francisco Chronicle reporters will avoid jail time under a plea agreement by a criminal defense lawyer who admitted leaking them secret grand jury documents from the BALCO steroids investigation.

In court papers filed Wednesday in U.S. District Court, attorney Troy Ellerman said he allowed reporters Lance Williams and Mark Fainaru-Wada to view transcripts of the grand jury testimony of baseball stars Barry Bonds, Jason Giambi, Gary Sheffield and sprinter Tim Montgomery.

Ellerman had represented Victor Conte, founder of the Bay Area Laboratory Co-operative, the Burlingame supplements lab that allegedly provided performance enhancing drugs to the elite athletes, as well as BALCO vice president James Valente.

The Chronicle published stories in 2004 that reported Giambi and Montgomery admitted to the grand jury that they took steroids, while Bonds and Sheffield testified they didn't knowingly take the drugs. The leaked testimony also was featured prominently in the writers' book, "Game of Shadows," which recounts Bonds' alleged use of steroids.

A federal judge ordered the reporters jailed after they refused to divulge their source. They have remained free pending an appeal to the 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals, but Ellerman's plea deal states that federal prosecutors will no longer try to put the reporters in prison.

Ellerman agreed to plead guilty to four felony counts of obstruction of justice and disobeying court orders. He could spend up to two years in prison and pay a \$250,000 fine. A judge still has to approve the terms of Ellerman's plea agreement; no sentencing date has been set. Ellerman, who is licensed to practice law in California, also faces disbarment.

"I find the fact that Troy Ellerman has admitted to leaking the BALCO grand jury transcripts to be outrageous," Conte said in an e-mail to The Associated Press. "This man was an officer of the court who was highly

paid to provide the services of a criminal defense attorney. Instead, he chose to serve his own agenda and act in a way that was tremendously damaging to his own clients."

Conte and Valente were among five men who pleaded guilty to steroids-related charges in an earlier phase of the investigation.

Eve Burton, general counsel for Hearst Corp., which owns the Chronicle, would not confirm or deny that Ellerman was the source of the leaked documents. The reporters also declined to discuss their source.

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"As we have said throughout, we don't discuss issues involving confidential sources," Williams and Fainaru-Wada said in a joint statement.

Ellerman's attorney, Scott Tedmon, could not immediately be reached.

Ellerman, a 44-year-old resident of Woodland Park, Colo., is commissioner of the Professional Rodeo Cowboys Association.

He earlier represented Conte, but it was in 2004, when Ellerman was preparing Valente's defense against steroid distribution charges that he became a key source for the two Chronicle reporters.

In March 2004, Ellerman signed an agreement that he would not disclose grand jury testimony given to him to prepare the defense.

Retired players take issue with NFL

BY DAVID KRAVETS
Associated Press Writer

SAN FRANCISCO Two former NFL players are accusing the league's union of inadequately representing them and the 3,500 retired players in licensing deals and allege the player's association may owe millions of dollars in licensing fees.

In a lawsuit filed Thursday in U.S. District Court, former players Bernard Parrish and Herb Adderley say the NFL Players Union's arm that handles licensing arrangements has done little to secure licensing deals with clothing manufacturers, video game makers and other venues. The suit seeks class-action status to represent the 3,500 retired players, which it says may be owed "tens of millions of dollars."

Parrish was a defensive back with the Cleveland Browns and Houston Oilers from 1959 to 1966. Adderley was a cornerback for the Green Bay Packers and the Dallas

Cowboys from 1961 through 1972.

The lawsuit claims that \$7 million was given to 358 retired players in 2005, meaning a small percentage of players have been compensated.

"Defendant has not made diligent efforts to generate revenue for plaintiffs. Almost 90 percent of the class receive no money," the lawsuit says.

"Defendant has not allocated opportunities to plaintiffs in any fair or equitable manner. Defendant has not, on information and belief, distributed revenues to plaintiffs that should have been distributed."

The suit also demands that the National Football League Players Inc., as the union's licensing arm is known, open more of its books to players.

Gene Upshaw, the union's executive director, called the lawsuit "baseless."

"We will vigorously defend it. We look forward to showing what we do for retired players," he said.

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Dems diss health plan

Schwarzenegger's health care proposal deemed too costly

BY LAURA KURTZMAN
Associated Press Writer

SACRAMENTO Democrats challenged Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger's universal health coverage plan this week at its first public hearing, saying the proposal could drive up insurance premiums.

Meanwhile, the nonpartisan Legislative Analyst's Office warned the plan could be nearly \$3.2 billion out of balance.

Sheila Kuehl, a Santa Monica Democrat who is an advocate of a single-payer system, presided over a four-hour Senate Health Committee hearing with a "Do No Harm" sign hanging from the dais. The warning, gleaned from the Hippocratic oath, suggested the governor's proposed reform could do more harm than good.

Kuehl praised Schwarzenegger for bringing attention to the health care issue but said his plan was incomplete. She said it asked too much from the uninsured.

She also suggested the governor's proposal could be exploited by "pirates" from the insurance industry, just like energy companies used deregulation to game the state's electricity market in 2000 and 2001.

"Everybody's got to buy insurance, but

there's really no limit on premiums here," she said.

Officials from the governor's office defended the \$12 billion plan, saying it would lower costs by making the health insurance market work better.

"We hope that the market will become much more functional," said John Ramey, a former insurance industry lobbyist who helped develop the Schwarzenegger plan.

Under the governor's proposal, insurance companies could no longer deny coverage to people for medical reasons or charge them more because they were in poor health. Insurers also would have to limit their administrative costs.

In return, everyone would be required to have health insurance, which would provide insurers with several million new customers.

Schwarzenegger's plan would cover 4.1 million of the 4.8 million uninsured California residents, according to Massachusetts Institute of Technology Professor Jonathan Gruber, who was asked by the governor's office to analyze the plan.

An estimated 1.5 million would be covered through public programs and 2.6 million would receive insurance through a new state pool or by purchasing it on their own. Some 6.5 million Californians go without insurance at some point in the year.

Gruber's analysis assumes there would be no change in the number of people who receive insurance through their employers.

But others say the governor's plan will induce many businesses to drop coverage. The proposal requires employers to spend 4

percent of payroll on health care or pay that amount to the state.

Most businesses spend far more to cover their employees. And Rick Brown, director of the center for Health Policy Research at the University of California, Los Angeles, said the governor's plan "is likely to degrade job-based coverage."

Gruber, however, said only 7.5 percent of California businesses would choose to pay the 4 percent payroll fee instead of insuring their employees.

Much of Thursday's hearing centered on whether the governor's plan was adequately funded. Schwarzenegger's health and human services secretary, Kim Belshe, insisted it was, but two analysts called that into question.

As much as \$1.35 billion in federal funding may not come through, according to the Legislative Analyst's Office, along with \$1 billion in county funding. The analyst's office also said the governor underestimated the number of uninsured and did not factor in medical care inflation.

By the fifth year of the plan, LAO analyst Marcus Stanley said, the annual cost of the governor's plan could be \$400 million higher than current estimates.

Belshe said the LAO analysis overstated the danger that the state would be unable to get all the federal funding it is seeking. She said it did not factor in the potential savings from the governor's plan.

The legislative analyst also said the monthly premium for insurance through the state pool was likely to be higher than the \$224 the governor's plan assumes.

Ex-CIA official denies misuse of secret info

BY ALLISON HOFFMAN
Associated Press Writer

SAN DIEGO As the CIA's executive director, Kyle "Dusty" Foggo had access to the spy agency's most sensitive secrets.

This week, Foggo, now retired, pleaded not guilty to federal charges that he used that information to direct classified supply deals to his best friend, San Diego defense contractor Brent Wilkes. According to a federal indictment, Wilkes reciprocated by paying for their lavish vacations and promised Foggo a job.

Both men surrendered Wednesday at FBI offices in San Diego after a 20-month investigation that has already sent former U.S. Rep. Randy "Duke" Cunningham to prison.

"Not guilty, your honor," each told U.S. District Judge Larry Burns.

Foggo's defense attorney, Mark MacDougall, told Burns he intends to file for access to classified documents in defending his client against the charges, which touch on the highly secretive world of so-called "black" CIA contracting.

The use of classified information in criminal trials is governed by federal rules that allow the court to determine what secrets must be allowed as evidence for a fair trial. If a judge determines that sensitive information is key, prosecutors might face a choice between allowing disclosure or jeopardizing their case.

Free workshop reveals 7 ways to slash college costs

SANTA MONICA – An extremely popular free workshop is being held for the parents of college bound high school students during the month of February at various Santa Monica locations.

The workshop will focus on little-known ways of getting money for college, no matter how much income you make, or how good of a student you have. The class will include such topics as how to double or triple your eligibility for free grant money, the secret to sending your child to a private or UC school for less than the cost of a junior college, and the single biggest mistake that 9 out of 10 par-

ents make when planning for college.

The workshop dates are Thursday, March 1st (7L15-8:45) Santa Monica Main Library, Saturday March 3rd (10:00-12:00 Noon) Santa Monica Main Library, Tuesday, March 6th (7:15-8:45) Montana Branch Library. The workshop will be taught by Shanee Chavis an affiliate of the College Planning Network, Inc. the nation's leading expert on paying for college.

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Kaiser study aligns genes with diseases

BY PAUL ELIAS

AP Biotechnology Writer

SAN FRANCISCO Health-care provider Kaiser Permanente has launched a massive study into the complex interplay of genetics, environment and lifestyles that cause many common diseases.

Kaiser researchers are sending detailed surveys to its 2 million adult members asking about their habits, family medical histories and many other factors that influence health. In a second phase it hopes to start next year, Kaiser will ask members to donate genetic material through cheek swabs or blood draws.

The plan is to combine that information with the company's massive medical history records in a database that researchers can use to gain a deeper understanding of dis-

ease causes and develop treatments.

"This is a vital and important effort to improve the health of people everywhere," said Dr. David Kessler, head of the University of California, San Francisco medical school who attended Wednesday's news conference announcing the endeavor.



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Kaiser expects about 500,000 of its members to return the surveys over the next four months in the latest attempt to unravel the complex causes of common diseases such as asthma, cancer and depression.

Kaiser's Research Program on Genes, Environment and Health dwarfs all similar projects except one of similar size in the United Kingdom.

The National Institutes of Health last year launched a genes and environment project that could study as many as 1,000 people

Kaiser's goal of enrolling up to 500,000 of its members is rivaled in ambition only by the government-backed UK Biobank, which was launched last year and also intends to survey and collect genetic material from a like number of United Kingdom residents.

UCSF genetics scientist Neil Risch said the Kaiser project will produce results quicker and includes a broader array of volunteers than the British study, which intends to follow the health of people ages 40 to 69 for up to 30 years in Great Britain.

Risch, who is the co-leader of the Kaiser project, said the HMO's members represent all socio-economic and ethnic groups. He also said UK Biobank researchers are essentially starting from scratch while Kaiser already has decades worth of medical data gathered from its members.

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found along roadsides and other work sites.

At California Correctional Center in Lassen County, officials reported more than 60 tobacco offenses among inmate crews at the institution's work camps in December, Associate Warden Matt Mullin said. The same month, cigarettes triggered a brawl between 30 Hispanic and white inmates on a high-security yard. Follow-up interviews with inmates revealed the dispute was over control of tobacco sales.

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Prison, a felon sneaked back on to prison grounds hours after being paroled. He was found with a pillowcase of almost 50 ounces of rolling tobacco — worth thousands of dollars on the black market. The plan was to throw it over the facility's fence.

"It's almost becoming a better market than drugs," said Devan Hawkes, an anti-gang officer at Pelican Bay. "A lot of people are trying to make money."

And that includes prison workers.

Last year, a corrections officer was put on leave from California State Prison, Solano, for smuggling tobacco. The guard made sev-

eral hundred dollars a week through tobacco, officials say.

At Folsom State Prison, a cook quit last year after he was caught walking onto prison grounds with several plastic bags filled with rolling tobacco in his jacket. He told authorities he was earning more smuggling tobacco — upwards of \$1,000 a week — than he did in his day job.

Another Folsom cook made about \$300 for each tin of rolling tobacco she brought into the prison, receiving payment through money orders sent by an inmate's relatives. She resigned after being caught in October.

"There's quite a bit of money to be made," said Lt. Tim Wamble, a Solano prison spokesman. "In a department this size you're gonna have people who will succumb to the temptation."

Unlike illegal drugs, which bring harsh penalties when smuggled into prison, punishments for inmates caught with tobacco usually range from just a written warning to extra work duties, no matter the quantity involved.

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Utah mall victims were buying Valentines

BY DEBBIE HUMMEL
Associated Press Writer

SALT LAKE CITY Vanessa Antrobus Quinn was meeting her husband at a jewelry store to pick out the wedding ring they couldn't afford when they got married. A.J. Walker and his dad were buying Valentine's Day cards for their family. Teresa Ellis was celebrating a bonus she'd gotten at work.

They were among the victims when a teenage gunman opened fire Monday in a crowded shopping mall, killing five people and wounding four.

Sulejman Talovic, 18, began his rampage in the evening, just as the Trolley Square mall began to fill up with people eating dinner at its five restaurants or shopping in its many stores. Talovic died in a shootout with police, and investigators have not determined a motive for the attack.

Vanessa Antrobus and Richard Quinn were married four years ago but didn't have

enough money for a ring.

"I was meeting her there to buy a wedding ring. I called her and told her to come," Quinn said, sobbing. His 29-year-old wife was killed before they could find each other in the large shopping center.

A.J. Walker, 16, and his 52-year-old father, Jeffrey, had just finished shopping for Valentine's Day gifts for their family when the shooting began. Jeffrey Walker was killed; A.J. was shot in the head.

The teenager was in serious condition Friday. Family spokesman Mark McDougal said the boy knows his father was shot, but his family has not told him Jeffrey Walker died. Doctors recommended limiting the information the boy receives because he is recovering from brain surgery and faces several more operations.

Teresa Ellis, 29, and Brad Frantz, 24, were on a date at the mall, celebrating a bonus she had received at work and doing some Valentine's Day shopping, according to

Frantz's stepfather Steve Wangerin. Both were killed.

Ellis, who grew up in Jamestown, N.Y., loved the outdoors and children and was "like a mother to her younger sisters," her obituary said.

"She was witty and could always come up with a quick joke," said Nathan Ellis, her husband, who separated from her but said he remained on good terms.

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Richard Quinn, victim's husband

Frantz, the father of a 3-year-old, worked in construction and was particularly proud of helping to build the Mormon temple in

Rexburg, Idaho.

Carolyn Tuft, 44, and her daughter, Kirsten Hinckley, 15, were in a card shop at the mall when they were shot. Kirsten died. Tuft was in critical condition Friday.

A memorial service for Kirsten was held Friday, but the family will wait until Tuft is able to attend before holding a funeral. Kirsten's classmates tied red ribbons on school grounds in her memory.

Also wounded were Shawn Munns, 34, and Stacy Hansen, 53.

Shawn Munns, the first person shot, had just finished dinner with his wife and stepchildren. After he was wounded, Munns called his wife, who had driven to the mall separately and was leaving through a different exit. He warned her to get away, then staggered into the Hard Rock Cafe and told people to lock the door and call 911.

His sister-in-law, Jodie Sparrow, says his sense of humor was helping him and the rest of their family cope.

Study: Wolves have elk on run in more ways than one

By The Associated Press

BILLINGS, Mont. The presence of wolves in and around Yellowstone National Park has led to changes in elk breeding patterns, likely a significant factor in the decline in elk populations, a study published Friday concludes.

The study, published in the journal Science, examined behaviors of elk herds in areas where wolves were present and in areas where the predators were not. In addition to depredation by wolves, those herds regularly targeted by packs produced fewer pregnancies and calves, the study found.

"Most people assume that low numbers of calves were due to direct predation. The paper says in large part it's because of the effect on pregnancy rates," said Scott Creel, ecology professor at Montana State University, who led the study.

The reintroduction of wolves to the Yellowstone ecosystem more than a decade ago has led to numerous studies of the effects of the predators on everything from moose and

beavers to willow trees and other plants.

Some wolf critics have blamed the predators for killing large numbers of elk in the Yellowstone ecosystem.

Much research has been done on the complex predator-prey relationship of wolves and elk. But until now, no one had looked at how wolves might affect pregnancy rates.

For their study, Creel and others examined elk scat from five wintering elk herds from 2002 to 2006. The herds were from Gallatin Canyon, Dome Mountain, Blacktail Plateau and Wall Creek in the Yellowstone ecosystem and Garnet Mountain, about 120 miles to the northwest.

In particular, researchers were looking for progesterone, a hormone that increases during pregnancy.

When wolves are present, elk tend to move around more, eat in different places and change how they cluster in groups. With those elk, researchers found lower rates of progesterone and, as expected, fewer calves born the following year, the study said.

"Elk in the absence of wolves go about their business in one way, they go about the task of feeding themselves, then

you put wolves on the landscape and now they have two priorities to trade off one another," Creel said. "They have a behavioral response to wolves. They carry costs."

The ratio of calves to cows, which is considered an important gauge of an elk herd's overall health, was lower in areas where wolves were busier, the study found.

In the Gallatin Canyon herd, there were just eight calves per 100 cows, the study said.

Generally, 30 calves per 100 cows is considered a solid ratio to sustain a herd.

The results appear to mesh with an earlier study that looked at how elk calves died on Yellowstone's Northern Range.

The project was launched in 2003, after a drop in the number of elk counted during annual surveys in that area. Between 1994 and 2004, the elk count fell from 19,035 to 8,335. This winter's count, conducted on Dec. 30, found 6,738 elk.

The calf study found that bears, not wolves, were the leading cause of death for young elk before their first winter, when they would be counted by researchers.

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Once was lost

Mount Hood tragedy gives way to talk of mountain locators

BY BRAD CAIN

Associated Press Writer

SALEM, Ore. There's danger aplenty on Mount Hood — including avalanches and crevasses that can swallow a climber and leave no trace.

In the past 25 years, more than 35 climbers have died on the 11,239-foot mountain, Oregon's tallest peak and one of the most frequently climbed mountains in the world.

Several Oregon lawmakers want to improve the odds of climbers' survival by requiring them to wear electronic locators above 10,000 feet on Mount Hood — an idea mountaineers resist.

Rep. John Lim, chief sponsor, contends that three climbers who perished in December might be alive had they carried the devices, which send electronic signals that can give search and rescue teams the precise location of stranded climbers.

But many climbers say that while carrying beacons is a good idea, it should be their choice — not required.

"It's a very dangerous undertaking, but that's part of the beauty of it," Dave Sauerbrey, a leader of the Mazamas climbing group, said of mountaineering.

No state requires climbers to carry the devices.

Lim says Oregon should be the first, especially in view of the December tragedy.

Three out-of-state climbers became stranded atop the mountain in gale-force winds and snow that produced whiteout conditions, setting off a rescue operation

that made international headlines.

Nine days later, after the weather cleared, searchers found the body of Texas climber Kelly James, but his two companions, Brooklyn resident Jerry Cooke and Texan Brian Hall, are still missing, presumed dead.

James was able to make a distress call to his family using a cell phone. But the trio did not carry electronic beacons.

Lim said having to carry a beacon shouldn't be that big a deal to climbers and the requirement would cut the cost of search-and-rescue operations.

Lim said that seeing the grief of Jerry Cooke's mother firsthand convinced him that such a law would be worth it if even one life could be saved.

"It will send a strong message to climbers — this may save your life and spare your loved one's misery," he said.

The climbers have a strong ally in Rep. Scott Bruun of West Linn, a climber who's been to the summit of Mount Hood a dozen times.

"I don't see this bill passing," he said. "This was a tragic accident that happened in an extreme sport. This is a situation the Legislature can't fix."

Rocky Henderson of Portland Mountain Rescue said his group has taken no stand on Lim's bill, but he believes that "if you try to legislate so much safety, you lose the adventure."

Missing mountain climbers accounted for only 3.4 percent of the total number of search-and-rescue missions mounted in Oregon in 2005 — not a disproportionate share compared with hunters, mushroom pickers or others who get lost in the wilds, Henderson said.

"The Oregon Legislature shouldn't waste time on something that's such a small problem in the overall scheme of things," he said.

But a lawmaker who's co-sponsoring the bill said the climbers "are being a little bit selfish" and the legislation would reduce the risks faced by rescuers at high altitudes.



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Democrats are challenging Bush's power to wage war

BY ANNE FLAHERTY
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON Democrats are challenging President Bush's power to wage war, contending they've found a way to block a troop increase in Iraq and prevent any pre-emptive invasion of Iran.

First Congress was to vote on a nonbinding measure stating opposition to Bush's decision to send 21,500 more troops to Iraq. The House was expected to pass the measure on Friday, with the Senate planning to hold a test vote Saturday.

Democrats say the votes are the first step toward forcing Bush to change course in a war that has killed more than 3,100 U.S. troops and lost favor with voters.

"This country needs a dramatic change of course in Iraq and it is the responsibility of this Congress to consummate that change," said Rep. John Murtha, who chairs the House panel that oversees military spending.

Murtha, D-Pa., is preparing legislation that would set strict conditions on combat deployments, including a year rest between combat tours; ultimately, the congressman says, his measure would make it impossible for Bush to maintain his planned deployment of a total of about 160,000 troops for months on end.

Murtha's proposal also might block the funding of military operations inside Iran — a measure intended to send a signal to Bush that he will need Congress' blessing if he is planning another war.

"The president could veto it, but then he wouldn't have any money," Murtha told an anti-war group in an interview broadcast on movecongress.org.

In an interview Thursday, House Speaker Nancy Pelosi,

D-Calif., noted that Bush consistently said he supports a diplomatic resolution to differences with Iran "and I take him at his word."

She said, "I do believe that Congress should assert itself, though, and make it very clear that there is no previous authority for the president, any president, to go into Iran."

Bush said at a news conference Wednesday he has no doubt the Iranian government is providing armor-piercing weapons to kill American troops in Iraq. But he backed away from claims by senior U.S. military officials in Baghdad that the top echelon of Iran's government was responsible.

Administration critics have accused the president of looking for a pretense to attack Iran, at loggerheads with the United Nations about what Tehran says is a nuclear program aimed at developing energy for peaceful purposes.

In a speech Thursday, Bush said he expects Congress to live up to its promise to support the troops.

"We have a responsibility, Republicans and Democrats have a responsibility to give our troops the resources they need to do their job and the flexibility they need to prevail," Bush said.

In the third day of a House debate on the war, GOP combat veterans spoke out against the Democratic resolution.

"The enemy wants our men and women in uniform to think their Congress doesn't care about them," said Rep. Sam Johnson, R-Texas, who was a prisoner of war during Vietnam. "We must learn from our mistakes. We cannot leave a job undone like we left in Korea, like we left in Vietnam, like we left in Somalia," Johnson said.

Rep. Duncan Hunter of California, the top Republican on the House Armed Services Committee, called the political maneuvering by Democrats "extremely dangerous."

Nevada governor facing FBI probe for military pacts

BY BRENDAN RILEY
Associated Press Writer

CARSON CITY, Nev. Federal authorities have confirmed that Nevada Gov. Jim Gibbons is being investigated to see if there are links between any gifts or payments he may have received from a software company and secret military contracts the firm got when he was in Congress.

The newly elected Republican governor denied any wrongdoing and told The Associated Press that "they can look as deeply as they need to and I encourage them to do so, but there would have been absolutely no influence."

A federal law enforcement official confirmed the FBI probe. The official, who spoke on condition of anonymity because of the ongoing investigation, said the inquiry is focusing on what role Gibbons played in awarding military contracts to eTreppid Technologies LLC in Reno and whether he received any gifts in exchange.

Gibbons said he had not been contacted by the FBI regarding his contacts with Warren Trepp, a longtime friend and owner of eTreppid who contributed nearly \$100,000 to Gibbons' campaign for governor through different companies he controls.

"They never talked to me. They never have given me any kind of hint or whatever," he said.

The governor said he's a "pretty public person" and figured that if an investigation was under way he would have been contacted.

Asked whether he had hired an attorney as a result of the reported investigation, Gibbons said friends have volunteered to help and he would look into the issue if needed.

"I've done nothing wrong though," he said.

Trepp, a former chief trader for convicted junk-bond dealer Michael Milken, also has denied any wrongdoing.

Trepp's attorney, Stephen Peek, said Thursday that he and client were unaware of an investigation, "other than what we read."

"Warren Trepp was not contacted by any governmental agencies with respect to the allegations," Peek said.

The Wall Street Journal first reported that investigators were looking at whether federal contracting rules were violated in the case involving Gibbons, who was sworn in last month as governor after five terms in Congress, where he served on the House Intelligence and Armed Services committees.

Gibbons said he had read the news story and was "disturbed" that it "tried to connect dots where there are no dots to connect."

"I don't think that I have done anything that hasn't been done by others, which is opening doors for businesses in the state of Nevada," Gibbons said.

Gibbons had asked the House ethics committee in November for an opinion about whether he improperly reported flights aboard Trepp's jet and a Caribbean cruise paid for by Trepp, whose company has millions of dollars worth of classified federal software contracts from the Air Force, U.S. Special Operations Command and the CIA. Gibbons did not disclose the trip as required by House ethics rules and later asked the committee for an exemption, but left office before any action was taken.

The Journal reported new evidence had emerged in a federal lawsuit in Reno involving Trepp and Dennis Montgomery, his former technology chief at eTreppid. Montgomery claimed in November that Trepp and Gibbons used political clout to get local FBI agents to raid his home and investigate him.

Trepp and Montgomery are involved in litigation related to the copyrights of the company's video surveillance technology, which reportedly is used with unmanned aircraft to identify terrorism suspects.

The evidence cited includes e-mails to Trepp discussing a payment or gifts to then-Rep. Gibbons. The e-mails also show Gibbons using his congressional office to help the company seek classified military and civilian contracts, the newspaper said.

"Please don't forget to bring the money you promised Jim and Dawn," Trepp's wife, Jale Trepp, said in a March 22, 2005, e-mail days before Trepp and his wife embarked on the Caribbean cruise with Jim Gibbons and his wife, Dawn, a former Nevada state assemblywoman.



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Residents' spirits aren't any brighter

City's concentration
of liquor stores has
some saying 'when'

BY KEVIN HERRERA

Daily Press Staff Writer

CITYWIDE When Holly Wright walks with her two young children through their Ocean Park neighborhood, she can't help but notice the word "liquor" plastered in large letters on the side of a convenience store ... and neither can her children.

"I don't know if (the number of businesses selling liquor in the neighborhood) has been a big issue, but for me, it's kind of offensive," Wright said. "Here are my kids wanting to go to a store to buy some candy or snacks and they are bombarded by these huge advertisements for alcohol."

"I don't have easy access to any health food stores to feed my kids, but I can go a block and get alcohol in two minutes."

Wright isn't alone. Citywide, residents have expressed concern about the number of establishments selling beer, wine and hard liquor.

In 2006, there were 266 liquor licenses in Santa Monica. While that number pales in comparison to the city of Los Angeles (5,667 liquor outlets), Santa Monica — with its large selection of gourmet restaurants and hotel bars — has a far greater count of licenses than neighboring cities of a comparable size, including Culver City (119) and Beverly Hills (166).

There are fears that the number of people driving under the influence increases with the number of liquor licenses issued by the California Department of Alcohol and Beverage Control (ABC). Residents have also complained about the clientele that frequents the businesses — mainly corner liquor stores — where undesirables tend to gravitate.

STEMMING THE TIDE

Opposition to certain establishments, coupled with strict zoning laws that require adequate parking before issuing a permit to operate, has made obtaining a liquor license in Santa Monica difficult and costly, with some licenses selling for as much as \$80,000 on the open market (a license in New Jersey recently sold for \$1.25 million).

That's just for an already existing license. If a business owner wants to increase the size of a restaurant or club, or start one from scratch, they'll likely have to pay more. Just obtaining a conditional use permit from City Hall to operate the business costs \$10,198, plus a \$899 administrative fee for an alcohol determination hearing. Even after paying all that, there is still no guarantee that one will be granted a license.

"The difficulty varies from city to city, state to state. Santa Monica is one of the toughest cities, mainly because of the lack of parking and well-organized neighborhood groups that can put an end to process quickly if not consulted at the beginning of the process," said Jon C Mejia, national sales manager for the American Liquor License Exchange, which specializes in guiding businesses through the often complex and frustrating application process for a liquor license.

"Twenty-five years ago, all you had to do was apply to the state," Mejia added. "Cities were getting flooded with applications, so now there is a more labor intensive process, including applying for a conditional use permit, which requires the applicant to hold a public hearing."

"That's when you can really run into problems."

If a business owners fail to go out into the community before the hearing, they can easily run into a room full of angry residents determined to stop them in their tracks.

"It's always easiest when you come to the table with the community's support, and that includes interacting with the police chief, councilmen, city planners and local homeowner groups," Mejia said. "If you just fill out an application and go to the hearing expecting to get the support of the community, you'll more often than not run into a situation where everyone is against you and now you've just sunk your life savings."

Still, many are willing to take that chance because of the profits promised to those holding a license.

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Holly Wright
Ocean Park resident

"With a liquor license you can offer a wider selection of drinks for your guests and that means more people are going to come here to eat instead of going across the street or across town," said Ricardo Avila, manager at El Cholo on Wilshire Boulevard and 10th Street. "Compare the prices of beer and wine to liquor. There's just no way to compete without (liquor). A beer or glass of wine can sell for \$6 each. But we have shots of tequila that are \$24, even one that is \$90. Having a license definitely brings in more money."

But with great cash flow comes responsibility. Liquor stores, restaurants and nightclubs must follow strict zoning laws and state regulations or face hefty fines, and in some extreme cases, the revocation of their license, which could mean the end of a business.

ABC, with the help of the Santa Monica Police Department and other law enforcement agencies, frequently conducts compliance checks to reduce the availability of alcohol to minors.

Minor decoy operations have been conducted by local law enforcement throughout the state since the 1980s. When the program first began, the violation rate of retail establishments selling to minors was as high as 40 to 50 percent. When conducted on a routine basis, the rate has dropped in some cities as low as 10 percent, according to John Carr, a spokesman for ABC.

The SMPD periodically reaches out to restaurants and nightclubs to keep employees informed about laws regulating the sale of alcohol.



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CASE OF THE SHAKES: (Top) A sign on Wilshire Boulevard serves as a beacon for the city's imbibers. (Above) Carlos Pedroza, a bartender at El Cholo for eight years, pours the restaurant's signature margarita this week. The city's concentration of liquor licenses worries some residents.

"We are always being reminded to make sure we card our customers (to see if they are of legal age)," said Avila, adding that El Cholo does not serve alcohol once its kitchen is closed. "You do not want to get fined."

SMPD Lt. Alex Padilla said most nightclubs in Santa Monica have been good about hiring security to ensure minors are not served alcohol and that drinkers behave.

"(Business owners) do not want to jeopardize their licenses, so they take extra precautions to ensure they don't sell alcohol to people are not old enough or who are already highly intoxicated," Padilla said. "We are doing our part, but it is really up to the people who are working there to understand the law and adhere to it."

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Landlord on the outside looking in

FROM LANDLORD PAGE 3

against the city's motion to appoint a receiver; and the city failed to provide Gonzalez with an order of abatement to repair the conditions in the apartment.

"We don't think he received proper notice in the first place (that the building) was going to a receiver," Stern said. "If he had gotten proper notice ... and had the opportunity to rehabilitate it on his own, he would've done so."

GONZALEZ WAS GIVEN NUMEROUS OPPORTUNITIES OVER MANY YEARS TO ABATE THE VIOLATIONS, BUT REFUSED TO DO SO."

brief submitted to the Supreme Court by the City Attorney's Office

But Gonzalez had more than enough time, the city claims.

"The code violations were serious and extensive," stated a brief submitted to the Supreme Court by the City Attorney's Office last month. "Gonzalez was given numerous opportunities over many years to abate the violations, but refused to do so."

The saga began in 1989, when the city filed a nuisance suit against Gonzalez for

fire, mechanical, plumbing and electrical violations. The landlord allegedly ignored the order, forcing the city to file an injunction to demolish parts of the building that had been constructed without building permits. It did so in 1991 and Gonzalez was forced to foot the bill of \$21,900, which he did by refinancing his mortgage.

Less than a decade later, the City Attorney's Office filed 85 misdemeanor charges against Gonzalez for numerous building, fire, housing, plumbing and electrical violations, leading Gonzalez to plead guilty on 15 of those charges. In 1998, Gonzalez spent time behind bars — 280 days — for refusing to make any changes.

The city alleged that none of the units in the apartment had heating; none of the bedrooms had usable windows; there was trash accumulating inside and outside the building; and the apartment was a favorite hang-out for criminal elements.

Between October 2003 and September 2004, there were 32 calls reported to the Santa Monica Police for criminal activity.

But Gonzalez claims the building is in a livable condition and that he has fixed the problems. He himself has raised his son, who has since moved out, and is now raising another of his children in the building.

"We have hot water ... I've tested the electrical system," Gonzalez said.

In 2004, the city finally filed a motion to place the building in the hands of a receiver, which was subsequently granted by Beverly Hills Superior Court Judge Lisa Hart Cole in January 2005.



File photo

ENTRENCHED: Guillermo Gonzalez has had a running feud with the city over the upkeep of his Ocean Park Boulevard apartment building. The case is headed for the Supreme Court.

"He is a very experienced receiver for real property and performed the role in many other properties," Radinsky said.

Pasternak suggested demolishing the building, saying that a vacant lot would command an additional \$59,000 in sales compared to the property with a suddenly code-compliant building.

The City Attorney's Office believes that it would be in Gonzalez' best interest if the building was demolished and sold as a vacant lot.

Gonzalez contends he is in the mess he's in because the city's building inspectors provided him with one set of information and presented city officials with another.

"This is not the only building the city wants to take away from the owner," Gonzalez said.

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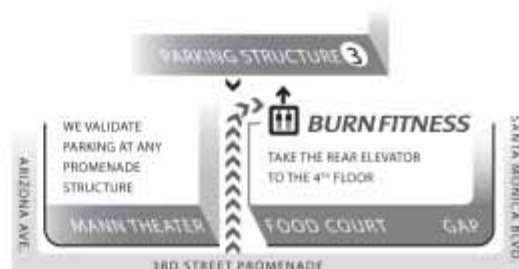


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Courting celebrities is all in a day's work

FROM COURTHOUSE PAGE 1

change can draw paparazzi, such as Brad Pitt and Angelina Jolie's filing to have their adoptive children, Maddox and Zahara, re-named Jolie-Pitt. Even though the couple didn't appear in court — as is the case with many celebs — paparazzi showed up anyway, hoping to snap someone with name recognition.

"It can get pretty crazy at times with all of the photographers, but if they want to come into the courtroom they have to behave and leave their cameras at the door," said a deputy with the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department, which provides security for courthouses that handle both criminal and civil trials. "We try to help the celebrities as much as possible by allowing some of them to come through a side door. But the paparazzi is usually pretty good about picking up on that. If they miss their shot one day, they'll make sure they get it the next."

Santa Monica draws so many celebrities simply because of its location, according to Lefkowitz. With so many stars living in or near Santa Monica, Venice and Malibu, they tend to file suit at the closest courthouse, which happens to be Santa Monica.

"It really is just a matter of geography," Lefkowitz said.

The latest high-profile legal filing came earlier this week, when Zsa Zsa Gabor's eighth husband filed papers seeking to establish paternity of former Playboy Playmate Anna Nicole Smith's baby daughter, Dannielynn.

Frederic von Anhalt said he had sexual relations with Smith in January 2006, when her baby was likely conceived, and that he would take responsibility for the 5-month-old girl if testing shows that he is the father.

In his petition, von Anhalt reportedly is asking for legal and physical custody of the baby.

He isn't alone. At least three other men

claim to be the father of Smith's baby, who was born on Sept. 7 in the Bahamas. They include Smith's attorney, Howard K. Stern, Los Angeles photographer Larry Birkhead, and Mark Hatten, a man convicted in Los Angeles of making terrorist threats against Smith, according to celebrity news Web site TMZ.com.

Stars don't always have to be at the center of a lawsuit to visit the courthouse. Sometimes they're the jurors, as was the case recently with Priscilla Presley.

NO MATTER HOW FAMOUS THEY ARE, WE TRY TO TREAT THEM JUST LIKE ANYONE ELSE."

Judge Linda Lefkowitz
Santa Monica Superior Court Supervising

The ex-wife of rock god Elvis Presley was in court a few weeks ago sitting on a bench on the second floor of the courthouse, reading a book and sipping on a bottle of water as she waited for court to begin. Presley was reportedly helping to decide a personal injury lawsuit.

"No matter how famous they are, we try to treat them just like anyone else," Lefkowitz said. "After all, this is a courthouse and there are serious, life-altering decisions that have to be made ... that said, you can't help but get a little starstruck."

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Santa Monica Police Chief Tim Jackman speaks with Rick Turney, co-owner of A & R Textbooks on Pico Boulevard, on Thursday during the top cop's neighborhood walk. Jackman was joined by Mayor Richard Bloom, fellow officers and about a dozen civilians as he walked through the Pico Neighborhood in efforts to build trust and relationships with residents.

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Lincoln Middle School faces lack of class

FROM SCHOOLS PAGE 1

what several board members have believed all along — the Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District will be able to maintain the required 3 percent in its special reserves over the next three years even after the Board of Education grants a 5-percent salary increase to its teachers.

Still, the district may be living on the edge during that time, with no real finances set aside for any unforeseen needs.

By law, the district must maintain a minimum 3 percent of its general fund in special reserves. When the district submitted its preliminary financial AB 1200 report to the Los Angeles County Office of Education in October, the school board and the Financial Oversight Committee discovered that the district could wipe out its special reserve fund in three years if it approved the 5-percent contract.

Once FCMAT Executive Deputy Director Anthony Bridges finished his presentation, congratulations seemed to be in order for Superintendent Dianne Talarico, whose “foresight” in enlisting FCMAT finally set the record straight, according to board members.

“This is what the public process is all about and holding public institutions accountable,” said School Board Vice President Oscar de la Torre. “To me, it worked out.”

With school board members stating that they were happy to finally move forward with the 5-percent ratification, expected to happen next month, and SMMCTA President Harry Keiley echoing that there are 800 teachers awaiting the salary hike, it was time for the Financial Oversight

Committee to send out a little reminder.

Prefacing his comments by agreeing that FCMAT performed an outstanding job, FOC Chairman Paul Silvern said that the district will be walking a fine line if the board moves forward with the contract agreement.

At the end of the second year after the contract approval, there will be less than \$900,000 in free cash to carry over into fiscal year 2009-10 that's above and beyond the 3-percent reserve fund level, Silvern said.



**“IT IS
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TO USE ONE-TIME MONEY
RESERVE TO FINANCE AN
ONGOING EXPENDITURE.”**

John Petz

school board meeting attendee

“Bear in mind that that projection does not take into account any further salary increases for classified staff ... no additional costs with GASB 45, and anything else that might come up over the next couple of years,” Silvern said.

GASB 45 — Governmental Accounting Standards Board — requires government and school agencies consider their post employment benefit costs.

The public wasn't done with the board quite yet.

John Petz took issue with the process the school board went through in the contract agreements with the teachers union and the

disagreements between it and the Financial Oversight Committee. It's a public process that involved the typical secret meetings that have gone on historically in the district. It's a process where the school board decided to ignore the concerns of the Financial Oversight Committee. And it's a process that broke, Petz alleged.

“I'm deeply concerned about how we're going to pay for the contract,” Petz said. “It is irresponsible to use one-time money reserve to finance an ongoing expenditure.”

School Board President Kathy Wisnicki responded to public concerns on the events of the past few months — events from the preliminary report showing the district in financial trouble to the resignation of former Chief Financial Officer Winston Braham to rumors that he resigned due to a disagreement over financial matters with Talarico.

“None of us wanted to have the process unfold the way it did,” Wisnicki said. “We've heard the concerns, we've talked to the community and we've talked to teachers who have been tremendously patient through this process.”

“We look forward to moving the next items forward.”

TURNING THE PAGE

The board was urged to examine the enrollment decline in the district the past few years since less students mean less money from the state. The decline was intentionally caused by the board about five years ago when it placed a moratorium on non-district students entering SMMUSD, only making exceptions for children of school and city employees.

As enrollment continues to decline, you

continue to deficit spend,” Bridges said. “The bottom line is as long as you have an operating deficit, you'll have difficulty moving forward in the district until you resolve this.”

“Spend what you take in ... though it's easier said than done.”

Another year of declining enrollment is predicted for the next school year, according to a preliminary report conducted by Dr. Douglas Staine, the district's director of certificate personnel.

A decrease in student enrollment is projected for nearly every single school in the district, with the exception of Edison Language Academy, Point Dume Marine Science School, Santa Monica Alternative School House and Malibu High School. Several schools, like Olympic High School and Community Day School, where the population usually comes from the two other high schools in the district, are expected to maintain the same level of enrollment and are not considered to have an impact on the amount of funding the district receives from the state due to student population.

The school that stands to receive the greatest loss is Lincoln Middle School, with 40 less students in the 2007-08 school year.

School board members said they would like to know where the district is losing students. School Board member Jose Escarce believes the district is losing students through what he calls “attrition” with less number of students entering at the kindergarten level than the number of students graduating from high school.

“That's the only explanation I can think of,” Escarce said.

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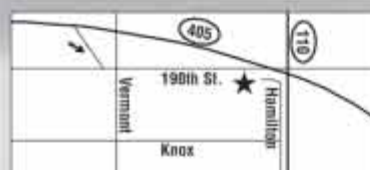


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No food and drink coupling too odd

BY J.M. HIRSCH

AP Food Writer

If you're still struggling with how to pair reds and whites, you've got a steep learning curve ahead of you.

That's because the art of pairing food and drink has taken a turn to the avant-garde, making your worries over which wine best complements your entree seem positively pedestrian.

Today, the question isn't whether shellfish takes chardonnay or shiraz, but which single-source gourmet dark chocolate best

marries a porter. Or whether Italian roast coffee shines with cave-aged Gruyere or fresh ricotta.

Consider this urge to pair unlikely items a symptom of the broadening of the nation's palate. Led by chic restaurateurs and audacious gourmets, Americans searching for the next taste sensation are increasingly open to new ways of thinking about old flavors.

Such as the partnering of scotch and sushi at San Francisco's Nihon restaurant. Or the pairing of riesling and steak tartar at New York's Riingo restaurant. Even coffee and cheese, classes on which are offered by

Murray's Cheese shop in New York.

It's an extension of Americans' almost obsessive interest in the provenance of their food, says Dana Cowin, editor-in-chief of Food & Wine magazine. "As people understand the individual nuances of things, then the next question in their mind is how do they go together."

Sure, it's serious food geek. And esoteric doesn't begin to do justice to the discussions that fill Web food forums. But it's also just plain serious, especially for food processors, who are forever searching for the next "it" flavor that will launch a product to pop cul-

ture success.

The Coca-Cola Co., for example, recently partnered with the Culinary Institute of America in Hyde Park, N.Y., to brainstorm which foods go well with the company's drinks, including its signature beverage (which they say goes well with Cajun seasonings and coconut).

As consumers think more about how food and drink interact, marketers are happy to fuel the interest. The New York wine shop Pour, for example, organizes its bottles by how to pair them, rather than by varietal or origin.

A traditional Irish spirit, still made secretly in friendly confines

BY SHEILA FLYNN

Associated Press Writer

DUBLIN, Ireland Any spirit nicknamed "the devil's spittle" practically begs to be banned.

And it was. For centuries. Yet the Irish never let that impede production of poitin (pronounced PUH-cheen), an ultra-strong relative of American moonshine that flourished underground to become one of the nation's most mysterious and unusual drinks. Now, 10 years after the ban was dropped, the Irish aren't letting the legalization of poitin

(which also goes by "mountain dew" and "water of life," depending on the folk song rhapsodizing about it) get in the way of a good black market drink.

"Any highway and byway, there's always somebody doing it," said Oliver Dillon, managing director of Bunratty Mead and Liqueur Company in Co. Clare, which makes and markets poitin legally. Home distilling remains illegal.

"Poitin is part of our heritage ... It's been a way of life," he said. "Poitin is the treasured spirit of Ireland."

Produced from malt, barley, sugar, yeast and water — and predictably, in past eras, from potatoes — poitin is dry and

grainy, with a changing, increasingly sweet aftertaste. It often is distilled three or four times to produce a spirit that is sharp and clear.

Though always popular, the appeal of poitin (which means "small pot," a reference to traditional production methods), skyrocketed during the 17th and 18th centuries when English rulers imposed spirit taxes and private distillation bans.

Keen to flout resented laws and preserve their beloved drink, the Irish took the making and selling of poitin underground, where it remains today.

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BASEBALL

Dodgers get back into swing of things

BY JOHN NADEL
AP Sports Writer

LOS ANGELES After the mess general manager Ned Colletti inherited last winter, the defection of J.D. Drew three months ago was a minor problem for the Los Angeles Dodgers.

The team was in shambles when Colletti took over in November 2005, necessitating wholesale changes that led to a 17-game improvement last season. Los Angeles went from 71-91 in 2005, its second-worst record since moving west from Brooklyn in 1958, to a playoff berth.

Colletti would love to see a similar jump this year — though 105 wins is a lot to ask.

“That would be pretty nice,” he said with a smile before leaving for spring training in Vero Beach, Fla., where pitchers and catchers are scheduled to report on Friday.

The Dodgers went 88-74 last season under first-year manager Grady Little, the same record as NL West champion San Diego. They entered the postseason as the

wild card, and were swept in the first round by the New York Mets.

“I think this is a better team than the one that finished last season, and I don’t think there’s any doubt we’re better than a year ago at this time,” Colletti said. “We’re better for the experience of last season.”

“They were very disappointed that it ended the way it ended. Almost every guy I talked to said they couldn’t wait for the ‘07 season to get going. And that wasn’t just the kids — that was Nomar Garciaparra and Jeff Kent.

“That’s a good way to start. But we’ll see. We’ve got miles to go.”

The Dodgers appear to have improved their rotation significantly by signing free agents Jason Schmidt and Randy Wolf. Other key additions were outfielders Juan Pierre and Luis Gonzalez — the latter because Drew opted out of the final three years of his contract and signed with Boston.

“What I set out to do this offseason was two things: add a big bat and shore up our pitching,” Colletti said.

Bonds may pay dividends

BY JANIE MCCAULEY
AP Sports Writer

SCOTTSDALE, Ariz. Barry Bonds finally signed his \$15.8 million, one-year deal and it was approved Thursday by the commissioner’s office, ending more than two months of wrangling between the slugger and the San Francisco Giants over contract language.

With both sides satisfied, Bonds is scheduled to report Monday to spring training. He is likely to participate in the Giants’ first full-squad workout Tuesday.

“I expect he will be ready to go,” general manager Brian Sabean said.

The 42-year-old Bonds is 22 homers shy of breaking Hank Aaron’s career record of 755.

Bonds signed the contract Tuesday, and it was sent overnight mail to the Giants. The team then faxed a copy to the commissioner’s office for approval.

His agent, Jeff Borris, and the Giants reached a preliminary agreement on Dec. 7, then spent weeks negotiating the final terms. The team announced the deal Jan. 29 and

Bonds did an interview via conference call.

But his first contract contained a provision detailing his responsibilities for promotional appearances and was rejected by the commissioner’s office. Management and the players’ association agreed last year during bargaining not to allow any language in new contracts regarding promotional appearances other than the standard clause in all player contracts.

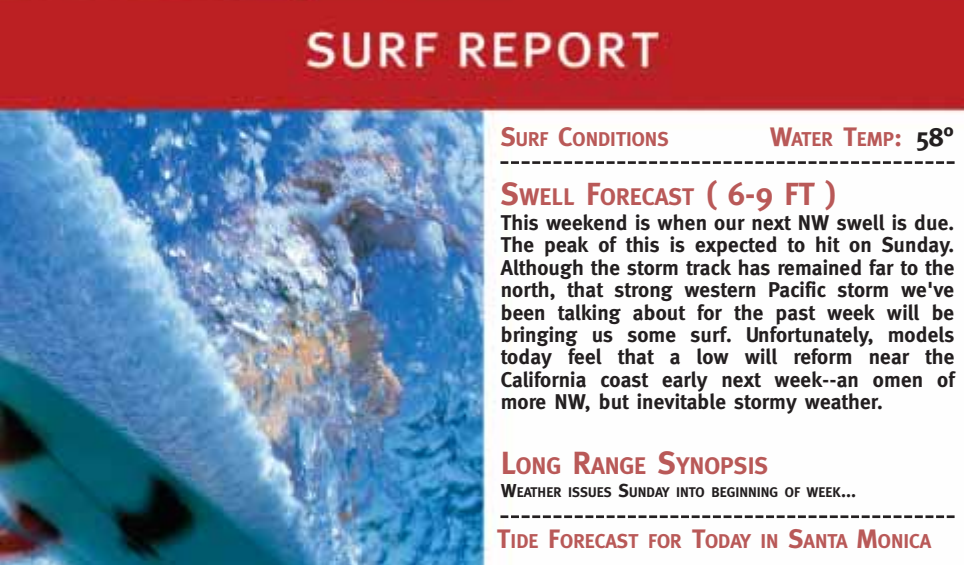
The deal also contained a provision stating the Giants could terminate the deal in the event Bonds is indicted, language Borris has said is unenforceable under baseball’s labor agreement. A federal grand jury is investigating whether Bonds perjured himself when he testified in 2003 in the Bay Area Laboratory Co-Operative steroid distribution case that he hadn’t knowingly taken any performance-enhancing drugs.

Bonds long has denied knowingly using steroids.

After the first contract was rejected by the commissioner’s office, the Giants sent revised documents to Borris, but Bonds held off signing the revamped contract.



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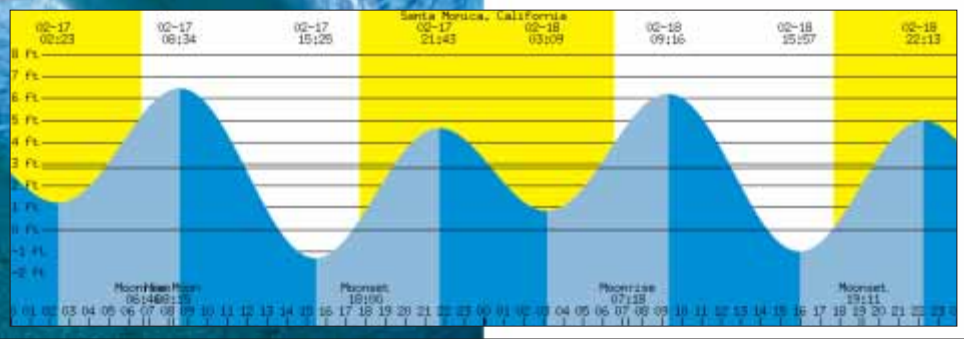
SURF REPORT

SURF CONDITIONS **WATER TEMP: 58°**

SWELL FORECAST (6-9 FT)
This weekend is when our next NW swell is due. The peak of this is expected to hit on Sunday. Although the storm track has remained far to the north, that strong western Pacific storm we've been talking about for the past week will be bringing us some surf. Unfortunately, models today feel that a low will reform near the California coast early next week--an omen of more NW, but inevitable stormy weather.

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QUICK STATS (for the last 28 days)

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- Number of beach closures due to a sewage spill — 0
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- Number of A grades for dry/wet weather — 36 / 29
- Number of (C,D,F) grades for dry/wet weather — 7 / 12

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LOCATION	DRY	WET	LOCATION	DRY	WET
Los Camille Beach, at Arroyo Sequit Creek mouth	A+	A+	Will Rogers State Beach at Del Air Bay Club drain near fence	B	B
Nicholas Beach at San Nicholas Canyon Creek mouth	A+	A+	Will Rogers State Beach at Polga Canyon storm drain	A+	A+
El Pescador State Beach, between Luchessa and Los Alitos creeks	A+	A+	Will Rogers State Beach at Tennessel Canyon drain	A	F
Encinal Canyon at El Motador State Beach	A+	A+	Will Rogers State Beach at Santa Monica Canyon drain (Chautauque)	F	F
Broad Beach at Trancas Creek mouth	A+	A+	Santa Monica Beach at Montana Ave. drain	C	A+
Zuma Beach at Zuma Creek mouth	A+	B	Santa Monica Beach at Wilshire Blvd. drain	B	A+
Walnut Creek, projection of Wildlife Rd. (private)	A+	A+	Santa Monica Municipal Pier	D	B
Paradise Cove Pier at Ramirez Canyon Creek mouth	A	A+	Santa Monica Beach at Pico/Xanterra storm drain	A	F
Escandido Creek, just east of Escandido State Beach	A+	A+	Santa Monica Beach at Strand St. (in front of the restaurant)	A	D
Ludigo Canyon Creek mouth	A+	A+	Ocean Park Beach at Ashland Ave. drain	A+	A
Solstice Canyon at Don Blocker County Beach	A+	A+	Venice City Beach, at the Race Ave. storm drain	A+	A+
Puente State Beach at creek mouth	B	A+	Venice Beach at Brooks Ave. drain	B	B
Marie Canyon storm drain at Puente Beach, at 24572 Malibu Rd.	F	A+	Venice Beach at Windward Ave. drain	A+	A+
Serfider Beach at Malibu Colony fence	A+	B	Venice Fishing Pier - 50 yards south	A+	B
Serfider Beach (beach location) - daily	F	F	Venice Beach- projection of Topical St.	A+	D
Malibu Pier - 50 yards east	A	F	Marino del Rey, Mothers' Beach- flagguard tower	B	F
Carlson Beach at Sweetwater Canyon	A	F	Dockweiler State Beach at Ballona Creek mouth	A	B
Las Flores State Beach at Las Flores Creek (joint zone)	A+	A+	Dockweiler State Beach at Culver Blvd. drain	A+	A+
Big Rock Beach at 19048 PCH stairs	A+	A+	North Westchester Storm Drain at Dockweiler State Beach	A+	A+
Pena Creek at Los Tunes County Beach	A+	A+	Dockweiler State Beach at World Way (south of D&W jetty)	A+	F
Tuna Canyon	A+	A+	Dockweiler State Beach at Imperial Hwy drain	A+	A+
Topanga State Beach at creek mouth	F	F	Dockweiler Beach- opposite Hyperion Treatment Plant	A+	F
Castlerock Storm Drain at Castle Rock Beach	F	A	Dockweiler State Beach at Grand Ave. drain	A+	A+
Santa Ynez Storm Drain at Castle Rock Beach	A	A+			
Will Rogers State Beach at 17200 PCH (1/4 mile east of Sunset drain)	A+	A			

LEGEND

DRY — each location is graded on an A – F scale based on bacterial pollution levels present in the surf zone

WET — grades for days of recorded rainfall and the following 3 days

ns — no sample taken

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ARIES (March 21-April 19)
★★★★★ Get together with friends. Though plans and moods can change, you cannot help but enjoy yourself. Go to a game. Organize a hike or some other fun adventure. A relationship could take on a new life. Tonight: Where the action is.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
★★★ You are on top of your game. Others come forward and seem to gain energy and vigor. A community or public appearance could be the beginning of a new role, if you desire. Tonight: In the limelight.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
★★★★ Look past the obvious. How you see life could change because of a discussion or someone who thinks very differently from you. A day trip will help give you a better perspective as well. Tonight: Enjoy all the attention.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)
★★★★ A partnership could play a very significant role in your life. This person might need some help or nurturing. A new beginning is possible, especially as you seem to walk away from being easily upset. Tonight: Be with one person, not a crowd.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
★★★★★ Others run the show. Though you might not be comfortable, let others really express who they are. If you are able to follow this path, a new beginning within a relationship becomes possible. Tonight: Love the attention.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
★★★★ You are always practical. If you pull back right now, you might see a situation in a new light. Somehow, you know that you need to change gears and perhaps do something quite differently. Focus on the people who make a difference in your life. Tonight: Easy does it.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
★★★★ You might need to rethink recent events revolving around a child or loved one. If you are willing to be more nurturing, you might find that you are a lot closer than in the past. A new beginning is possible. If you are single, get ready! Tonight: Add that special touch.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
★★★ Roll with your mood. If you want to stay close to home or fuss over family, now is the time. A decision involving real estate could be far more important than you realize. You actually could reverse a trend. Tonight: Indulge in a favorite meal.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
★★★★ You might want to just hang out or visit with others. What happens could be quite exciting or different if you remain open. Catching up on news, swapping jokes and laughing over a meal all fit the bill perfectly. Tonight: Say "yes."

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
★★★★ You might be playing with the idea of heading in a different direction financially. You might need to go within to see if what you wanted for yourself a year or month ago is the same now. Do some price comparison. Tonight: Talk over a decision.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
★★★★★ A New Moon in your sign heralds a brand-new beginning. Though you might not consciously want to make any changes, in some fashion, you will feel renewed. Others note your radiance and energy. Do what you want for a day! Tonight: A special gesture goes a long way.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
★★★ Make it OK to be a bit sluggish. You also might need to answer to someone who you would like to bypass. Meet your obligations, and you will be a lot happier. As a result, your energy suddenly returns! Tonight: Act like the world is your oyster, and it will be.

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Actor Hal Holbrook (1925)
Singer Gene Pitney (1940)
Basketball player Michael Jordan (1963)



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ENERGY DRINK

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"Bull"

"If you're gonna play
the game
you're gonna need
the energy"

The trouble with Britney

An e-mail from **BRITNEY SPEARS'** former assistant Felicia Culotta saying the 25-year-old pop star needs to get her act together because she's headed for "rock bottom" has been posted on a Web site's gossip blog.

"I cherish ALL the incredible opportunities that came my way thru my job with Britney and am crushed/saddened/heart sick by the way her life is unfolding," says the e-mail, posted this week on

'NOTTING' HER MAN

Ladies, **HUGH GRANT** is back on the market.

The "Music and Lyrics" star, 46, and his girlfriend, 33-year-old British socialite Jemima Khan, "have decided to split amicably," the actor's representative, Robert Garlock, said Friday in a statement to The Associated Press.

Grant, who rose to fame in the romantic comedies "Four Weddings and a Funeral" and "Notting Hill," previously dated Elizabeth Hurley. AP

ThatOtherBlog, a gossip blog on the Hollywood.com Web site.

The e-mail, addressed to "Ruben," was sent in response to an editorial "Why Britney Is Asking for It," according to the blog.

"I want you to know Ruben that WE (as in her Family and nearest and dearest - ALL of whom are not on the payroll anymore!!) are doing EVERYTHING in our power to get help for Britney," writes Culotta, who says she

worked for Spears for nearly 10 years.

Since filing for divorce from Kevin Federline in November, Spears has drawn criticism for her drinking, partying and sloppy appearance.

"Ruben," who runs ThatOtherBlog, told The Associated Press on Friday that Culotta is a good friend and that he is declining media requests to interview her. In her e-mail, Culotta said she is working as a corporate flight atten-

dant and living in Mississippi.

Gina Orr, Spears' publicist at Jive Records, couldn't be reached at her office Friday and didn't immediately respond to an e-mail from the AP asking for comment.

"There's just so much you can do to help a person - I don't dare want to be an enabler, and I cannot love her enough for the both of us," Culotta says.

"I cannot convince her in ANY way to love herself. ... I

cannot save her from herself, nor can I commit her to any type of treatment program against her wishes and will."

Culotta says Spears' friends are doing "all in our power to NOT pad the bottom or move the bottom, so when she does indeed hit rock bottom, she'll stand up and walk away from this whole fiasco a new, confident, changed, career driven Britney like we all knew and loved."

ASSOCIATED PRESS

Diaz wins big over 'smooching' report

CAMERON DIAZ accepted "substantial" damages from American Media Inc., publisher of the National Enquirer, on Friday for alleging that she had an affair with a married man, her lawyer said.

Simon Smith, a partner with the London law firm Schillings, told London's High Court that the article alleged that Diaz had a "smooching session" with a married producer who worked on her MTV show, "Trippin'." The article was posted to the

magazine's Web site in May 2005.

After Diaz complained, the photographs were removed from the Enquirer's Web site and were not published in editions of the magazine distributed in Britain.

The lawsuit was settled out of court, Smith said, and the terms of the agreement were confidential. In court, he

said the damages paid were "substantial."

In a statement read to the high court Friday, the magazine "apologized unreservedly" for any distress caused to the 34-year-old Diaz, her former boyfriend Justin Timberlake, as well as the producer and his wife. Sam



Howard, the Enquirer's lawyer, said the magazine "entirely accepts that the allegations were without foundation and ought never to have been published."

It was the second settlement in the case for Diaz: In July 2005, The Sun paid the actress - star of the "Charlie's Angels" films and "There's Something About Mary" - undisclosed damages after settling out of court over the same story.

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Music and Lyrics (PG-13)
11:20am, 2:00, 4:40, 7:20, 10:00
Norbit (PG-13)
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Difficulty
BRONZE

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2	6	3		1				
		2					9	
8			2				4	7
		5	1	9				

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GETTING STARTED

There are many strategies to solving Sudoku. One way to begin is to examine each 3x3 grid and figure out which numbers are missing. Then, based on the other numbers in the row and column of each blank cell, find which of the missing numbers will work. Eliminating numbers will eventually lead you to the answer.

SOLUTIONS TO LAST PUZZLE

1	2	8	6	4	5	9	3	7
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7	4	6	3	9	2	8	1	5
3	8	2	4	7	1	5	9	6
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GUYS, WHAT DO YOU WANT TO DO ONCE WE'RE IN VEGAS?

WE CAN HIKE IN THE DESERT OR SAIL LAKE MEAD.

DON'T THINK SO. MY TO-DO LIST SAYS: GAMBLE, DRINK, REPEAT.

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The Other Coast

By Adrian Raeside

THIS IS THE EQUIVALENT OF WALKING THROUGH A NUDIST COLONY IN AN OVERCOAT.

OFF-LEASH PARK

Garfield

By Jim Davis

THANKS FOR THE COFFEE, CUP

NO PROBLEM... AND CALL ME JOE

YOU KNOW, JOE, AS FAR AS NIGHTMARES GO, THIS ONE COULD HAVE BEEN A WHOLE LOT WORSE

HOW?

IT COULD HAVE BEEN DECAFFEINATED

NOW YOU'RE SCARING ME, MAN

Dog eat Doug

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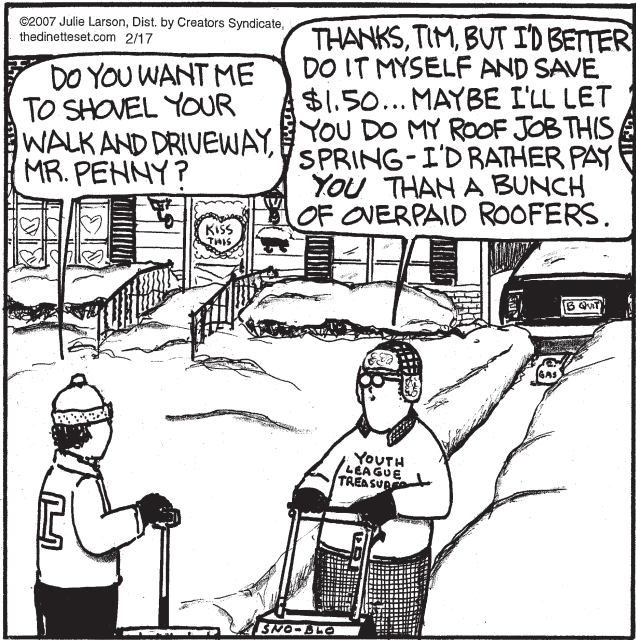
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HOW ABOUT SOME RAWHIDE?

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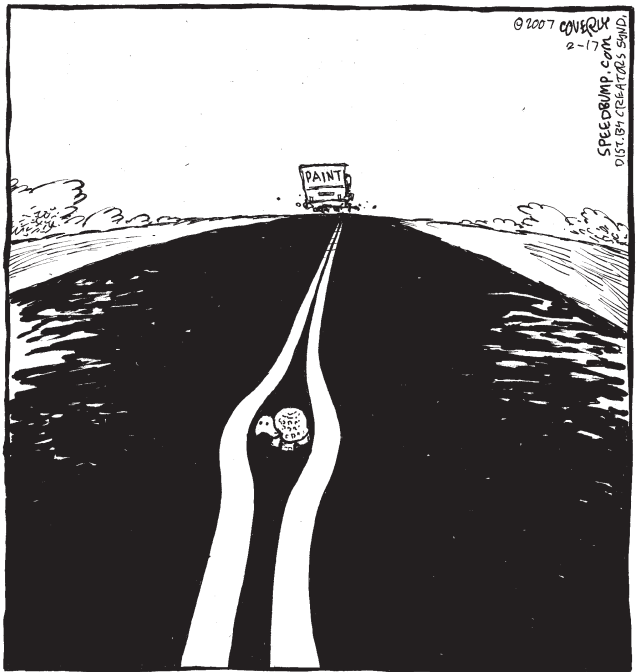
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1897 the forerunner of the National P.T.A., the National Congress of Mothers, convened its first meeting, in Washington.

1904 the original two-act version of Giacomo Puccini's opera "Madama Butterfly" was poorly received at its premiere at La Scala in Milan, Italy.

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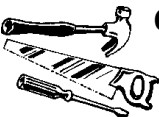
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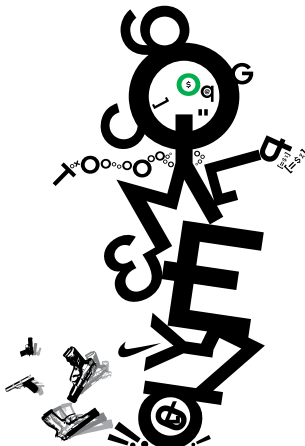
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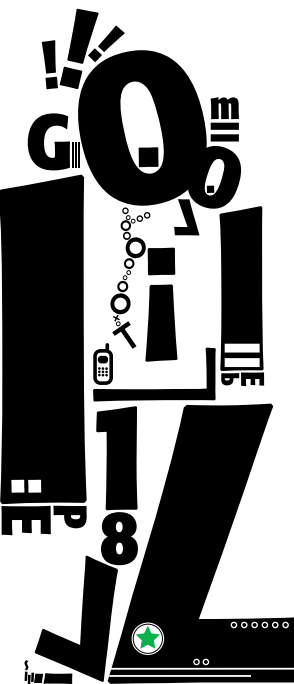
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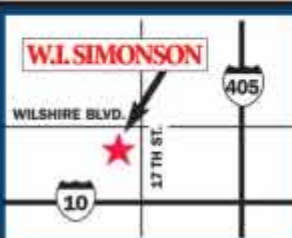
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