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NEWS OF THE WEIRD by Chuck Shepard

■ Kenneth Patrick Porche Jr., 22, was arrested outside the ladies' room at Dillard's department store in Houma, La., in January, carrying four plastic bags of urine and several empty bags labeled with descriptions such as "old woman." Police said they believed that Porche would enter a stall, disable the toilet's flush mechanism, and line the bowl with a plastic film to catch the urine, before hiding away in an adjacent stall. After a woman used the toilet and left, Porche would collect and bag the urine from the plastic film. Since Porche's behavior was difficult to characterize, police charged him under the catch-all "criminal mischief."



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Nobody ever forgets where he buried the hatchet.



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John Wood/Daily Press

The public safety building behind City Hall is beginning to take shape. The new facility is expected to open in April and will house the headquarters of the Santa Monica Police Department. (Inset) A construction worker works his magic with concrete.

Elections could be done by ranking your choices

By Daily Press staff

A new bill could allow Santa Monica voters to elect their officials by ranking them as their first, second and third choices.

Introduced by Assembly member Loni Hancock (D-Berkeley), AB 1039, also known as the Local Electoral Freedom bill, would allow municipalities to enact alternative election methods, including Instant Runoff Voting and Proportional Representation.

Instant Runoff Voting is a method that guarantees a winner with a mandate from a majority, all within a single election. In an IRV election, voters rank their choices — first, second, third, and so on. If a voter's first choice "loses," or finishes last, the voter's next choice is counted toward the total in the next round. The rounds continue until a candidate has 50 percent plus one vote. The method would ensure that runoffs are eliminated and a candidate receives a true majority.

The Green Party of California endorses the bill because it would simplify the electoral process and save dwindling tax dollars lost under the new state budget, officials say.

"With declining voter turnout, cities need options to reinvolve residents and make sure municipal elections have the broadest participation," explains Santa Monica Mayor pro tem Kevin McKeown, who is a Green Party member. "Instant runoff voting is perhaps the most exciting alternative because it lets voters rank their choices and truly vote their consciences. IRV saves cities money, and reduces the role of big corporate contributions in politics because candidates need run only a single campaign."

IRV would limit costs to cities for runoff elections by declaring a winner on Election Day, rather than a community bearing the costs of a runoff election a month later, officials say.

Officials also claim the bill would:

■ Eliminate the "spoiler effect" of three-way candidacies. The Nader-Gore situation in 2000, as well as the Bush-Perot situation in

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Woman's murder puts actors on guard

BY CAROLYN SACKARIASON

Daily Press Staff Writer

The recent murder of a young Santa Monica woman who was lured with hopes of fame and fortune has reminded the local acting community how dangerous auditioning can be.

When news hit late last month that 21-year-old Kristi Johnson vanished after she went to meet a man who claimed to be a publicity photographer, actresses in Santa Monica started exchanging war stories about questionable situations they have found themselves in.

They were lucky. Johnson, however, was not.

The Santa Monica College student, who was more interested in the behind-the-scenes aspect of the entertainment business, was lured into the clutches of a smooth-talking predator who has a long criminal history of telling young, attractive women that he can make them famous.

Johnson's partially clothed, bound body was found in the Hollywood Hills last Monday, two weeks after she disappeared. Johnson told her roommates on Feb. 15 that she was going to the Century City Mall to meet the purported photographer she had previously met. She never returned. Her car was found a week later at the St. Regis Hotel in Century City, which was dropped off on Feb. 16 by a man who matches the description of the suspect police now believe may have murdered Johnson.

The suspect, who is in custody at the Los Angeles County Jail on an unrelated felony charge, is a three-time convicted felon who was released from state prison on Jan. 20. Murder charges are expected to be filed within the next week, police said.

"Whenever anyone goes to a place that they are unfamiliar with

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Local inventor takes on City Hall regulations

Game maker says city violated his first amendment rights

BY JOHN WOOD

Daily Press Staff Writer

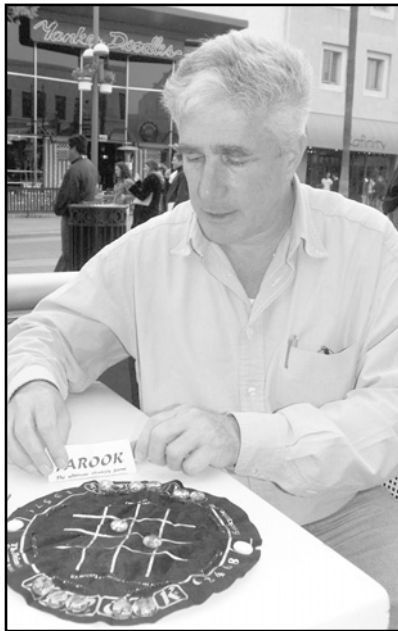
A judge now will decide whether or not a local game inventor's constitutional rights have been violated by the city.

Stewart Lamle argued in front of a city hearing officer on Thursday that he should be granted a business license to play and sell his "Farook" game on the Third Street Promenade.

City officials denied Lamle a business license last year, citing that he couldn't sell his game without either a performance permit or a city-rented cart.

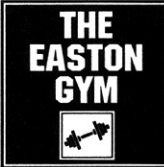
Lamle appealed the city's denial and hearing examiner Ed Edelman has 30 days to make a

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John Wood/Daily Press

Stewart Lamle, the inventor of the game, 'Farook,' is appealing the city's decision that he isn't a street performer on the Third Street Promenade.



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You often wonder what would happen if you did or said something else. This year, simply give in to spontaneity, and you'll get positive results. You often question your limits and are likely to test them. Recognize when you have had enough, and others will pitch in. Never hesitate to ask for support. You will gain professionally. If you are single, you are likely to meet someone through your work. This person could prove to be very special. Romance becomes even more a part of your life this coming winter and fall. If you're attached, an opportunity heads your way as a couple. If you can work on it together, it will gain in meaning. LEO pushes you in the work arena.



ARIES (March 21-April 19)
★★★★★ You easily go to extremes right now, feeling optimistic and as if nothing can or will stop you. Well, you're right. Right now you're on a roll creatively and emotionally. With this type of energy backing your chart, the Force is with you. Don't allow someone to stop you. Tonight: Play away.



TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
★★★★ You find an unusual opportunity that could color your life ultimately and for the long term. Check out investments with greater care, keeping an eye open for those involving real estate. You might get an opportunity that could be too good to be true. Tonight: Visit with family.



GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
★★★★★ Keep reaching out for those around you, even if it is just a neighbor. Others appreciate you checking in on them and seeing life from a renewed perspective. Allow greater happiness to enter your life by being less me-oriented. Tonight: Out and about.



CANCER (June 21-July 22)
★★★★★ Pay attention to what might be going on within your immediate circle right now. You might want to indulge yourself more often. Do something uniquely for yourself. Don't hesitate with a friend or loved one. Go more than halfway when dealing with others. Tonight: Let the good times flow.



LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
★★★★★ You have the good fortune of tumbling in the right place at the right time. Just put your ideas forward, and everything seems to fall in place. Others succumb to your innate charm and ways. You know what you want; don't wait any longer. Tonight: Just keep smiling.



VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
★★★★ Knowing when to step back can make all the difference. Your mind could be working overtime, but you can handle whatever comes up. Information that heads in your direction could give you another point of view. Don't hesitate to mull over your decisions. Tonight: Smile away.



LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
★★★★★ Follow your friends, understanding exactly what your limits are. What you thought was a serious meeting could break into a wild and happy happening. What is wrong with this? Don't make any judgments, and you will be much happier as a result. Tonight: Where your friends are.



SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
★★★★★ Understand more of what you would like from a work situation. If you want to ask for a raise, there could be no better time than the present. Realize your constraints, but also use timing to achieve more. Others certainly are in a gracious mood. Tonight: Assume the lead.



SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
★★★★★ Make calls and explore options involving travel or education. You might find the answers too good to be true, but that might not be so. Break past rigid thinking. Take an opportunity and run with it. You are the only person stopping you. Tonight: Make calls. Surf the Internet.



CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
★★★★★ You might not be comfortable with what is happening with a child or loved one. You've probably rarely seen him or her opulent or downright wild. You cannot stop this person, so you might as well enjoy him or her. Let the good times roll. Tonight: Just say "yes."



AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
★★★★★ Others seek you out, but you might be overwhelmed by what you hear. You also could have difficulty scheduling everything and everyone. Do your best knowing that the weekend is about to greet you. Enjoy a meeting that assumes a light tone. Tonight: Party the weekend in.



PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
★★★★ You manage to gain a much different perspective if you don't limit your options and only look at your possibilities. Don't use the word "impossible" or "no." Make your expertise finding solutions. Others respond to your open ways. Tonight: Run errands on the way home.

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LOCAL



Kelly Hayes-Raitt/Special to the Daily Press

The fireplace, pictured in the back, is lined with blue tiles, coffee urns and delicate china teapots, and dominates this coffee house visited by Kelly Hayes-Raitt in Baghdad.

Bombing backgammon and other games in Baghdad?

BY KELLY HAYES-RAITT
Special to the Daily Press

Feb. 7, Baghdad — A Voices in the Wilderness volunteer from Kansas held a fundraiser for a children’s center. “Bowling for Baghdad” featured bootleg rum and a bowling match between activists and reporters (reporters won). I was much more popular as a bartender than as a bowler: I have not the slightest clue about the proportion of rum to coke and apparently erred on the rum side. On the other hand, I guttered twice.

Games are big in Iraq. Every afternoon, young men gather across the street from our hotel for their football (soccer) matches. Every evening, older men gather in coffee houses for their domino and backgammon matches.

Soccer playing fields are sparse and dirty. American bombs hit sewage and waste treatment plants in 1991. Efforts to rebuild have been crippled by the U.N. sanctions, which prevent the importation of chlorine and spare parts for repairs. Additionally, erratic electricity makes treating sewage and drinking water difficult. Half the sewage treatment plants are

inoperable, and another 25 percent do not meet environmental standards. Every day 500,000 tons of raw sewage is dumped into the Tigris and other rivers, contaminating down-stream drinking water sources. Only half the number of garbage trucks operate. Childhood diarrhea has quadrupled since before the Gulf War; typhoid fever has increased from 2,240 cases a year to 27,000 cases a year.

Gone are the public gardens and landscaping and greenery. In its place are brown, decrepit, trash-strewn playgrounds. Yet, the young soccer players clean their field and play with gusto, not missing an opportunity to show off for a strange American woman who is lured to their perimeter by retrieving a stray ball.

By contrast, a woman wandering into a coffee house attracts little attention. Only men gather in these cacophonous rooms where the coffee is as thick as the smoke-filled air. The delicate china teacups are a surprising contrast to the triumphant slamming of dominoes on the tiled tables.

It is in the coffee house across from my hotel that I meet Dhia, a 24-year-old

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BEYOND
BAGHDAD



Information compiled by Jamie Seborer

Look for south swell build up from Wednesday coming in from a steep southerly angle that could miss some breaks. The well-exposed breaks should see waves in the 3'-to-4' range. The rest of the breaks will be knee-high.

Our next northwest swell is coming today. This swell should hit in the early morning with sessions looking at head-high surf, possibly a 1'-2' overhead. The swell is coming at a westerly angle so it's going to hit all breaks. The sets could have walled-up conditions if the break faces directly west.

Watch for morning and afternoon fog. The beaches are as clean as they are going to get and the water temperatures should stay about 60 degrees.



Today's
Tides:

High 5:05AM 4.7'
Low 12:40PM -0.2'
High 7:32PM 3.6'

Location	Friday	Saturday	Water Quality
County Line	3-4' good	5-7' good	A
Zuma	2-3' Fair	4-6' good	A
Surfrider	2-3' fair	3-4' fair	A
Topanga	1-2' fair	4-5' fair	A
Breakwater	2-3' fair	4-6' fair	A
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The QLine

Plenty to worry about in Santa Monica

Last week, Q-line asked:

“What issues here in Santa Monica — other than war and school district woes — are you concerned about?”

Here are your responses:

■ “Not a thing in the world. Everything is just wonderful. I have to run now, there is a man wearing a white suit carrying a butterfly net rushing after me.”

■ “The presence of illegal aliens is a real and significant problem in this area. When are we going to see them cleared up from the intersection of 11th and

Colorado? These illegals directly contribute to the homeless person’s plight by taking away any available work in this area as well as any affordable housing. Now thoroughly entrenched deeply in the construction, hotel and restaurant businesses, for safety reasons, they

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OPINION

LETTERS

Irked by Prop. A ad

Editor:
 Wednesday’s “Message to Renters” advertisement supporting Prop. A and the resultant demolitions and loss of community history left me incredulous.
 Lawyers and developers pandering to renters in the name of homeowners is so laughable I hope it can only reveal the greedy desperation with which those lawyers and developers hope to gut our Santa Monica historic preservation program.
 Yes, renters, damn right homeowners are our friends and we are theirs. We should stand together in voting NO on Prop. A for this very reason. Santa Monica is home to us all, a wonderfully special place; and the charm of our shared neighborhoods is on the auction block with Prop. A.
 There is no “rift” between homeowners and renters on love for our city and interest in preserving our neighborhoods and their historic character.
 Homeowner or renter, vote NO on A.

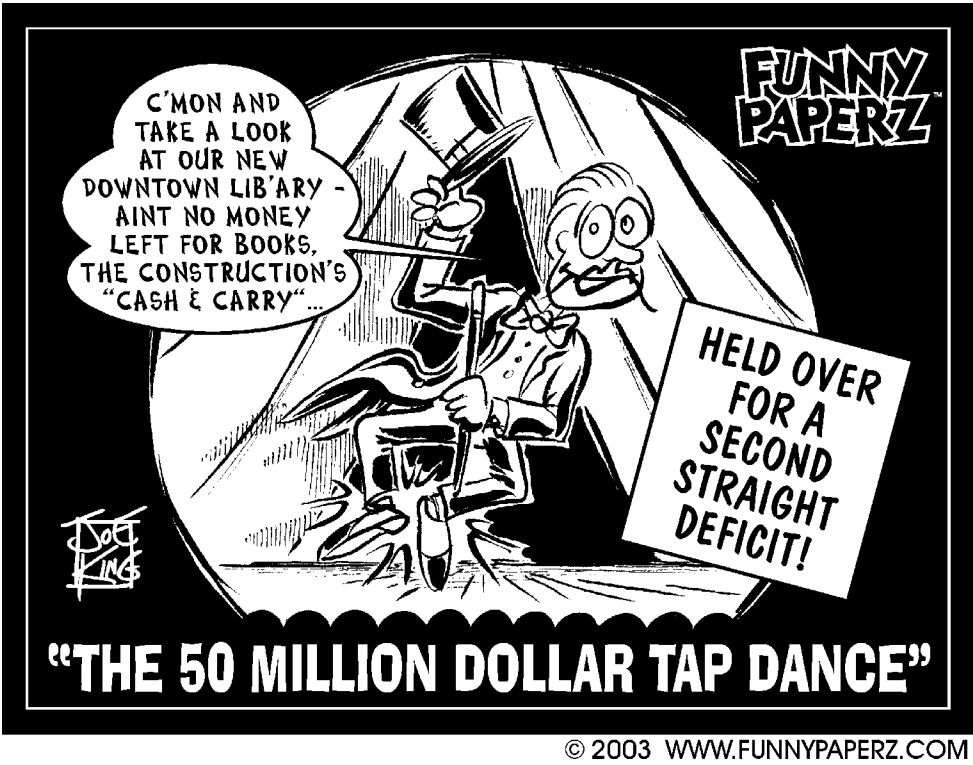
Kevin McKeown
 Mayor pro tem and 27-year renter

The hypocrisy of it all

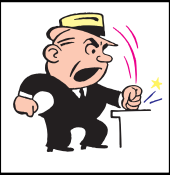
Editor:
 Let me see if I have this right. Bea Nemlaha, spokesperson for Save Our Neighborhoods, states that Santa Monica tenants “care about the character of Santa Monica,” “have civic pride” and that many “will become Santa Monica homeowners.”
 Question 1: What is the character of Santa Monica to which Bea is referring? Is it a lazy beach town by the sea, a bastion of socialist/communist-minded hippy leftovers, a haven for the homeless, a playground for the rich and not-so famous? If she is referring specifically to the character in terms of residences, then for the most part all I see are a couple of nice houses surrounded by a sea of unkempt apartments that remind me of my college days.
 Question 2: Where was all this civic pride back in the days when the majority of Santa Monica residences were actually houses? You remember, don’t you? You know, before all these crappy, shoebox apartments were constructed at the expense of the “historically significant” houses? It’s so interesting to me that back then Santa Monica was allowing single-family houses and bungalows to be demolished in favor of apartments, but today — no way! Oh yeah, but that was before rent control and the SMRR.

Oh, oh, I see. Now that SMRR has managed to gain total control over everything in this town simply because of the sheer number of renters, it is no longer acceptable to just tear down an existing house (especially if it’s being replaced with, oh, dare I say it — a “monster mansion” or five high-end townhomes which don’t have votes for SMRR). I get it now — historically significant houses are really only significant when they are surrounded by the multitudes of 1960 and 1970 eyesores that pass as residences and house SMRR voters.
 Question 3: Just exactly how will “many” Santa Monica renters become Santa Monica homeowners? The least expensive one-bedroom condo in Santa Monica is \$325,000. So a current Santa Monica tenant would have to be making in the neigh-

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Neighborhood associations not representative of the neighbors



MY
WRITE
By Bill Bauer

To be a city-recognized neighborhood organization, a group must be located in and represent a specific geographic area, as well as meet membership size requirements.
 It must have an elected board of directors, a set of by-laws or constitution, open board of directors meetings and at least one annual public membership meeting. In addition, it must file for or obtain state and/or federal non-profit corporation status.
 “Official” associations can then apply for city funding, have fees waived when it uses city facilities and is listed and linked to the city’s Web site.
 Two directors from each of the neighborhood groups sit on the board of directors of Community Corp. of Santa Monica, the city-affiliated developer of most of our affordable housing.
 The city strongly recommends all developers get feedback on their proposed projects from neighbors. Developments are often presented at neighborhood association board meetings for review, usually by a handful of directors who live

nowhere near the development.
 Residents adjacent to the proposed development aren’t always notified about presentations and are often surprised and upset to find out that their neighborhood group said “OK” after construction starts.
 Critics say most of the neighborhood associations are “SMRR’d up” — a reference to being controlled by Santa Monicans for Renters Rights, the community’s dominant political organization.
 SMRR sycophants control and use the associations to promulgate the SMRR agenda. It’s why so many neighborhood groups ardently support affordable “rental” housing projects, homeless services and traffic calming while ignoring neighborhood nuisances, chronic civil and criminal code violators and other more mundane problems.
 It’s also why some neighborhood groups are cheerleaders for pet SMRR causes. Those associations who don’t “tow the party line” often find their complaints are ignored and their problems are not addressed by the City Council majority.
 When a neighborhood organization takes positions on issues neighbors disagree with, breakaway groups sometimes form to challenge the established association’s position. For example, when the Ocean Park Community Organization favored an affordable housing project at Main Street and Pacific Avenue, neigh-

bors created Friends of Ocean Park to fight the project.
 When residents formed a new neighborhood organization within an area already covered by one of the “big eight,” the city won’t recognize them, so their power and influence is limited.
 “Neighbors For A Safer Santa Monica” is typical of a new breakaway group.
 NFSSM chair, Chuck Allord, said the Pico Neighborhood Association has done little to help his neighbors in the Broadway/Olympic corridor east of Lincoln Boulevard deal with the area’s large homeless population and a dance club that is a chronic noise violator. NFSSM also opposes PNA’s endorsement of traffic calming measures such as those now being installed on Broadway.
 Said former PNA chair, Peter Tigler, “PNA’s priorities are home ownership, true community policing and improving the neighborhood’s look and feel.”
 However, the Pico Terrace Neighbors, 9th Street Neighbors and NFSSM were created because some neighbors felt the PNA didn’t “do enough” about their specific problems.
 Ninth Street Neighbors had a preferential parking issue and “East” Pico residents were concerned about the increased traffic that new Olympic corridor commercial developments were bringing to their quiet residential streets.

“It’s not about PNA ego. There’s no reason why neighbors can’t work on their own issues under our umbrella or not,” Tigler said.
 As robust as the PNA is, it still suffers from the same malaise as many other neighborhood organizations. That is, getting enough residents motivated with lasting “fire” to work on the area’s many problems and issues.
 A lack of leadership or compelling issues can even lead to an organization’s inactivity and eventual demise. At least one of the “big eight” and formerly powerful neighborhood groups now seems to be inactive. The board of Mid-Cities Neighbors hasn’t met for almost a year.
 Why does the city support eight favored neighborhood associations with grants and perks? In these difficult economic times, should we be spending tens of thousands of dollars of taxpayer money to prop up organizations that seem to be increasingly irrelevant, political and, more often than not, out of sync with the residents they claim to represent?
 If a neighborhood organization is viable and truly representative of its area, it should survive and do well on its own. If not, it will dry up and go away as it should.
 (Bill Bauer is a longtime Santa Monica resident and a freelance writer.)

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OPINION



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borhood (no pun intended) of \$80,000 per year in order to afford a “home.” Oh, wait a minute. Is Bea saying after living under rent control for 10, 20, or 30 years, that the tenants have saved up enough money (on the backs of the landlords) to purchase a home? Or, is she saying that “many” of the current tenant population can already afford to purchase a house, which would mean that “many” of Santa Monica’s renters are actually NOT low-moderate income? Hummmmm? That doesn’t sound like the old SMRR, et. al motto “to ensure that Santa Monica remains affordable to low and moderate income people.” Sound like Bea knows what I know — that the tenants for whom see professes to speak are actually upper-middle class white folk who are living in rent-controlled apartments. (Don’t worry, I won’t tell anyone)

The hypocrisy of this city never ceases to amaze me.

Tony Street
Santa Monica

The Q Line

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ought to be identified. For security reasons, they ought to be terminated in favor of hiring who is legal.”

■ “I’m concerned about a City Council engaged in an orgy of spending on grandiose and unnecessary projects, while ignoring basic needs, such as deteriorating alleys for instance. I’m concerned that the \$25 million bond issue for upgrading our libraries, passed in 1998 has resulted in a planned expenditure of \$74 million. I’m concerned about the kick-backs someone must be getting from the never ending flow of new buses, new street signs of all kinds, new city vehicles, garbage bins, etc. Irresponsible council has become so addicted to borrowing and spending huge sums of money, that most of all, I’m concerned about Santa Monica going bankrupt, leaving us taxpayers to pick up the pieces.”

■ “I’m deeply concerned that the City of Santa Monica consistently awards maintenance contracts to companies which are 100 percent Hispanic labor force, which I believe is discrimination against all other people. I think something should be done about it.”

■ “I am a 10-year Santa Monica resident. I do not want to this darn, darn, darn fluoride crap thrown into my water. It is crap. Everything that I have read about it for the past 25 years has been junk. It is awful and nasty stuff. The people writing against it don’t have a monetary motive, they are not getting any money, whereas people writing for it just might be because it is a huge industry. You think about it. Study the facts yourself, go online, blah, blah, blah. There are a lot of educated people, much smarter than myself that will say it’s nasty stuff. That would be a great big campaign, daily, weekly, monthly to get on the bandwagon about. Let’s stop it now.”

■ “I believe one of the most important issues facing the City of Santa Monica right now is the addition of fluoride to our water. It is known poisonous, industrial waste product. It has no business going into our water and into our bodies. I hope that more people will become aware of it and do something about. I would like to have city council rescind their motion to have this industrial waste kept out of our water.”

■ “A major issue that bothers me is the millions of dollars being spent to erect a new library when our current facility is more than adequate. I wonder where the money trail started and stopped?”

■ “The biggest issue is and should be concerned about SMRR’s ongoing attempt to control the lives of every Santa Monica resident. The latest example being their opposition to the homeowners voluntary preservation measure.”

“Why are we building a new courtyard with a food area for the library? The homeless will take it over. Many people not do not like to the library because of the homeless. Many of them don’t bathe.”

■ “The homeless problem is the biggest problem in Santa Monica. They should bring them to the brand new Belmont Learning Center. It’s empty. They could bring them cots, feed them in the cafeteria, educate them in classrooms. They would have a gym and an auditorium for entertainment, offices for counselors, bathrooms, etc. Maybe some people will start shopping here again.”

■ “I’m concerned that the members of the city council do not read your newspaper to find out what the people of Santa Monica are concerned about.”

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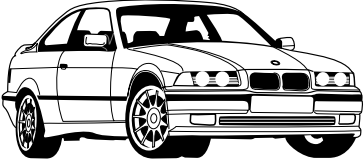
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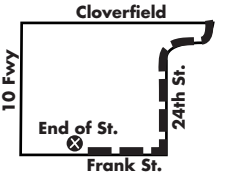
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REAL ESTATE

What you want and need to know about household mold



DAYS ON THE MARKET

By Jodi Summers

The effects of mold are a hot topic among Santa Monica homeowners. Mold first gained attention last year when the state announced the California Toxic Mold Protection Act, which has the state Department of Health Services assessing the health threat posed by indoor molds and developing standards for toxic mold exposure.

To help you better understand the health threats of mold, the National Association of Realtors tapped the brain of building science consultant Dr. Nathan Yost regarding the basics of mold contamination.

How does mold develop in a home?

There are more than 100,000 types of mold. Mold and mold spores require nutrients, moisture, oxygen and favorable temperatures to grow. Nutrients for mold are present in dead organic material such as wood, paper or fabrics, but mold also can derive nutrients from some synthetic products such as paints and adhesives. Spores are small bundles of genetic material and chemicals (similar to seeds) that molds make under certain conditions. Many molds thrive in a normal indoor climate.

Are there harmful and non-harmful molds?

There are only a few molds that can cause infection in healthy humans. The biggest health problem from exposure to mold is allergy and asthma in susceptible people. Most people tolerate exposure to moderate levels of many different molds without any apparent adverse health effects.

How much mold exposure is harmful?

Individuals are quite different in their response to exposure to the toxic chemicals that some molds release. Children under 1 years old may be more susceptible to the effects of some molds than older individuals.

Do certain types of construction promote mold development?

Tight building construction allows for less exchange between inside air and outside air. Moisture that gets into the air from activities such as cooking, bathing and even breathing will remain in a tight

house longer than it would in a loose house. Controlling moisture, including indoor relative humidity, curtails mold growth. Exhaust fans and controlled ventilation reduces the probability of mold growth in a tight building.

Can building materials promote mold growth?

Mold needs water, a nutrient source, oxygen and favorable temperatures to grow. Many species of mold thrive on paper-faced gypsum board. It can be kept dry by controlling the interior humidity and keeping rain from seeping into roofs and walls. Cement board, mortar or non-paper-faced gypsum do not contain nutrients to support mold growth and can safely be used in damp areas like bathrooms.

Are there tests to indicate the presence of mold?

The most reliable way is to use your eyes and your nose. If a fuzzy black or green discoloration is noticed in a damp location, it is almost certainly mold. If a building smells musty, there probably is mold somewhere — that somewhere might mean in walls or in the crawl space.

If mold is present, what's the best way to get rid of it?

If there is a moderate amount of mold on furnishings or boxes, simply discard the materials. If the mold is on a hard surface but occupies less than 10 square feet, wash the area with soapy water (scrubbing with a brush may be necessary), rinse and allow the area to dry before repainting. Larger areas (greater than 10 square feet) should be cleaned by an experienced professional. The moisture problem causing the mold needs to be diagnosed and corrected otherwise mold is likely to reoccur. The mold clean-up is finished when there is no visible mold, dust or dirt remaining that could contain large amounts of mold and mold spores.

Where can I get more information about mold?

<http://www.epa.gov/iaq/molds/index.html>, Environmental Protection Agency's information of Mold/Moisture/Mildew

<http://www.cdc.gov/nceh/airpollution/mold/>, Center for Disease Control's information on Mold under Air Pollution and Respiratory Health

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LOCAL



Woman's travels in Iraq brings home reality of war



George Sapio/Special to the Daily Press

Dhia, 24, is a translator with a BA from Baghdad University. He makes more money working in a coffee house. Dhia befriended Kelly Hayes-Raitt in Baghdad.

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English literature graduate with a strong command of English and a quick sense of humor. Although I am the only woman here at 4 o'clock in the afternoon, I feel at home. Dhia assures me it is fine for me to be here, writing and drinking coffee as thick as melted chocolate. I joke with him and his cohorts while photographing the ancient floor-to-ceiling blue tiled fireplace that serves as the centerpiece of the huge hall.

It is here that George, a photographer and delegation participant from Ithaca, NY, teaches me backgammon. In a remarkable string of luck, I throw repeated doubles and silently pray my luck rubs off and saves this ancient, lively, pedestrian spot from an errant bomb. I feel petty wanting to save a coffee house from demolition. Yet, it is places just like this that I fear will not survive.

The mood on the street changes dramatically after President Bush's "the games are over" speech. The hotel workers tape our windows, people stockpile. I go for one last coffee. Dhia has prepared responses to American letters for us to take back:

"My dear friend, I'm very happy to read your letter, because it made me know that there are many people in America (who) don't want this war to happen.

My friend, I lost two of my aunts and many of my friends in the last destructive war (Gulf War) and I don't want to lose any of my family (or) my people in Iraq.

I would like to thank you and all good people in America who love peace and oppose the war.

Thank you very much for caring about my people in Iraq and sharing their suffering.

My name is Dhia. I'm 24 year old. I studied English literature in Baghdad University. I hope I could get my M.A. degree in English literature."

*Peace & love,
Dhia*

Like many young people around the world, Dhia dreams of continuing his education in the United States — the very country that may literally bomb all his dreams.



Kelly Hayes-Raitt/Special to the Daily Press

George Sapio of Ithaca, NY., smokes tobacco from a traditional hooka in a coffee house in Baghdad.

Over my last Iraqi coffee, I ask Dhia if he thinks the war could be stopped.

"Only Allah can stop this war. President Bush wants to bomb," he answers solemnly.

I am struck by the strength of his faith and the futility of his helplessness. I ask one last question: If you could meet President Bush, what would you say to him?

"Just leave us alone," he replied.

(Santa Monica resident Kelly Hayes-Raitt traveled in Iraq during the first week of February, meeting with women to learn the impact impending war has on their lives. She will be discussing her trip and showing her photos at the Pacific Palisades Library on Sat., March 22 from 10 a.m. to noon. For information, call (310) 581-4421.)



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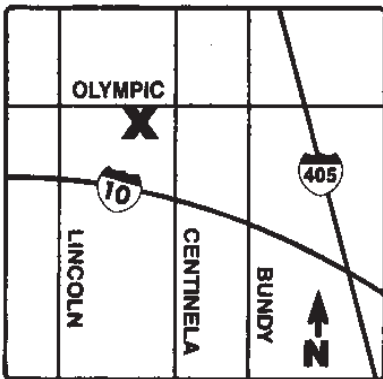
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LOCAL

Actress offers tips to protect women in the business

PRECAUTIONS, from page 1

or meet someone they don't know, there are precautions they can take," said Santa Monica Police Lt. P.J. Guido. "What's helped in our investigation is that Kristi did some things we would suggest ... she told someone where she was going and who she was going to meet."

The information Johnson gave to her roommates about her meeting on that fateful day may have helped police track down her alleged murderer, but more precautions may have saved her life.

Another woman who was lured by the same man just weeks before Johnson's disappearance was able to escape because she brought her boyfriend with her.

The woman called local police on Feb. 20 to report that she had been approached in late January in the Century City Mall by a man claiming to be a photographer. He was reportedly auditioning women for the same film that Johnson told her roommates she was going to audition for, according to police.

But the woman said when she and her boyfriend went to meet the man at a pre-arranged location in West Hollywood, he tried to forcibly move her to another location, police said.

The woman's boyfriend interceded and searched the man to find his identification, but the supposed photographer was able to free himself and run away, police said.

While the tragedy of Johnson's murder may have raised awareness in the acting community to be careful of who to trust in a business rife with shady people, some are taking it to another level.

Aleesa Adams, a local actress, has vowed to not let Johnson's death be in vain. She plans to start a campaign to promote safety for women in the acting and modeling world.

"This really just breaks my heart," Adams said. "She was so young."

Adams attended a vigil for Johnson on what would have been her 22nd birthday on Feb. 27 held at a Santa Monica church. Adams, who never met Johnson, came to the vigil because the circumstances relating to her disappearance hit too close to home for the actress.

"I get approached all the time and as actors, your headshot goes out all over town," she said. "As an actor, you submit yourself to so many things ... this town is just so full of perverts."

Adams said she was once approached by a man promising her a role in a cable television show. He told her to come to his home, but when Adams asked for more details, like which network he represented, he wouldn't provide specifics. When she declined to come to his home, the man called off the audition.

"It made me so angry I wanted to call the police," she said. "But what are they going to do? I've gotten so angry about this during my career."

After hearing about Johnson, Adams quickly typed up several reminders for actresses that could save their lives. (See related story.) She hopes to gain support from others like her in the industry to help create a Web site that will link to other industry sites that actors visit, as well as distribute pamphlets in acting studios, organizations and agencies.

She wants to provide information for actresses and models on how to keep their personal information private, what behav-



KRISTI JOHNSON

ior is considered professional, what should set off alarms, and what questions to ask to determine whether or not someone is legitimate. The Web site also will contain a history of prior cases of actresses and models being taken advantage of, hurt, or murdered.

"Kristi was very young and when older men are flattering you, many (young girls) succumb," Adams said. "Not all of them are molesters and kidnappers, but many directors assume that any woman will sleep with you to get to the top."

Reminder to actresses:

■ Set up a voicemail instead of giving out your home number.

■ Never put your home address on any actor-related mailings as a return address. Get a P.O. box or join an organization like the Actor's Network that allows you to use their P.O. box.

■ Only meet with potential filmmakers, photographers, managers or agents in public places, offices or studios during the day. Bring a friend with you, especially if they have a home office or studio. Do not get in a car with them, no matter how convincing they are.

■ If you are meeting at a restaurant, call information ahead of time to make sure it exists.

■ Learn what professional conditions are standard for auditions, interviews and photo shoots.

■ Never be alone on a location — bring a friend, boyfriend or a hire a make-up or hair artist to be there with you.

■ Find a system to easily refer back to any projects, managers or agents you submit for so you can confirm it's really something or someone you were interested in. If it isn't, ask how he got your phone number. Be suspicious of vague answers and flattery from strangers.

■ Question anyone about the specifics of what they're working on. Learn what you need to ask to determine what's legitimate and what isn't.

■ Don't think someone else has to give you a break to become successful. Give it to yourself by making your own projects with people you meet in classes or through industry organizations where you can meet filmmakers, theater producers, etc.

■ Tell friends, family and co-workers where you are meeting the person and who the person is.

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Criminal proceedings against Lamle delayed

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decision.

Paul Mills, Lamle’s attorney, argued the city is violating his client’s first amendment right of free speech by not allowing him to play and sell his game in the public right of way along the Promenade.

“Speech doesn’t have to be people talking,” Mills said. “It can be people walking down the street, whether or not they’re carrying signs. It can be people sitting down, whether or not they’re wearing T-shirts with words printed on them.”

Mills argued Lamle’s game is an exchange of ideas and literature — pointing out that Farook attracts game players who engage in lively debate on a spectrum of political and philosophical issues.

“It’s only ideas,” he said of the game. “It’s symbolic debate.”

Deputy City Attorney Linda Moxon, who requested that a reporter be kept out of the hearing, didn’t argue the first amendment issue. She said it had already been ruled on in Lamle’s performance permit hearing last year, when another administrative judge found in favor of the city.

“This is not the proper forum,” she said. “The business license issuance is not a first amendment case.”

Lamle was denied a performance permit last year because the city considers his game a personal service and not a performance. Under city laws, Lamle has to apply for a license as a vendor.

Moxon argued that Santa Monica couldn’t issue a business license to Lamle

because only a limited number of certain types of vendors — including carts, sidewalk cafes and farmer’s market retailers — are allowed to sell their items on the Promenade, she said.

“This was not an arbitrary denial of a business license,” Moxon said. “If he chose to come in and apply for a license where this could occur, there would be no issue.”

Mills pointed to an “open-air vendor” exception in the municipal code that allows Lamle to operate anywhere on the Promenade.

But Moxon said the city attorney’s office said the City Council hasn’t designated where the open-air vending sites are allowed.

Mills said the sites don’t need to be designated because the exception speaks for itself.

Mills raised several issues questioning the city’s handling of Lamle. He said Lamle’s application for a business license was only processed on his third visit to City Hall, and only then because he was flanked by two witnesses and an attorney.

After it was filed, Lamle’s application was immediately denied without reason and Lamle’s request for an appeal was consistently ignored. That was until Mills formally challenged the legality of the city’s actions, he told the court.

Based on the city’s alleged mistreatment of Lamle’s appeal, Mills argued last year’s ruling against his client should be overturned.

“He had the right to the respect and the

dignity of due process,” said Mills, who added that Lamle was led on a “wild goose chase” in his quest for a business license. “Instead, he was told nothing.”

Mills alleged Lamle’s treatment by City Hall was unique because business applications are usually easy to acquire.

“A business license is a very basic thing,” he said. “It’s like a library card. They want to know who you are and what you’re doing out there. It’s just a registration.”

Lamle, who has been issued 41 misdemeanor citations and incarcerated twice, faces 11 criminal charges. Those include doing business without a license, performing at a table higher than what’s legally allowed and located outside of designated performance zones. Each count carries a maximum of six months in jail and a \$1,00 fine.

The criminal proceedings are likely to be delayed until Edelman rules on whether Lamle is entitled to a business

license, Mills said.

Lamle describes Farook as one of only three high-level strategy games ever invented. The other two are the 3,000-year-old game Go! and the 1,500-year-old game of Chess. Mills said Farook is like “tic-tac-toe to the tenth power.”

Playing and selling the game was a lucrative occupation for Lamle, who charged \$1 to play the game and \$15 for a take-home version of Farook.

The local inventor called the city’s treatment of him ridiculous, and vowed to take his case to the state and federal level until he is permitted to play his game on the Promenade.

“The city just adoesn’t like games,” he said. “You have these people out here playing music and charging for their CDs, and you have other performers out here. But for some reason, I’m not allowed. It’s discrimination.”

Democratic presidential hopefuls head for the West

BY ERICA WERNER

Associated Press Writer

LOS ANGELES — Against the backdrop of a possible war in Iraq, six of the Democrats who want to be president will vie for attention and California’s wealth of money and votes at the state Democratic Party Convention this weekend in Sacramento.

The candidates will make their pitches to 1,800 party activists 10 months before the Iowa caucuses and a year before a California primary that could play a larger role than ever in determining the nominee.

“In a crowded field and particularly this early on, you do have to go where the bulk of the Democrats are. And regardless of the timing, an awful lot of the people who influence the process are going to be in that room,” said Michael Feldman, a Democratic consultant who was a political adviser to Al Gore. “And that’s not to be ignored, or ignored at their peril.”

Sens. John Kerry of Massachusetts and John Edwards of North Carolina, former Vermont Gov. Howard Dean, Al Sharpton, former Illinois Sen. Carol Moseley Braun and Ohio Rep. Dennis Kucinich will deliver 10-minute speeches to delegates starting Friday evening.

The other three hopefuls — Missouri Rep. Dick Gephardt and Sens. Joe Lieberman of Connecticut and Bob Graham of Florida — are not attending. Gephardt and Lieberman cited scheduling conflicts, while Graham is awaiting his doctor’s permission to begin campaigning following Jan. 31 heart surgery.

California donates more money to candidates for federal office than any other state, has more electoral votes — 55 — than any other, and is home to two Democratic fund-raising capitol, Los Angeles and the San Francisco Bay area.

The state is reliably Democratic, voting for Gore over George W. Bush by 1.3 million votes in 2000 and re-electing Democratic Gov. Gray Davis last year even as much of the rest of the nation went Republican.

“It’s the biggest state in the country and a Democrat has to have California in order to win, so it’s a huge state for me,” Dean said.

His competitors could say the same, and many of them have been making forays to California for months, courting Hollywood moguls and tying up supporters and fund-raising dollars in advance of a crucial March 31 campaign finance reporting deadline. Kerry has been among the most active thus far in the state and scheduled a major fundraiser Thursday evening in San Francisco.

But this weekend the focus could be on war. Kerry and Edwards both voted in favor of last year’s congressional resolution authorizing war in Iraq, while Kucinich voted against it and Dean, Sharpton and Moseley Braun have said they would have opposed it.

California’s March 2 primary, its earliest ever, falls after even earlier votes in New Hampshire, South Carolina and elsewhere that in the past have essentially determined the nominee. But because a front-runner may not have emerged from the large pack by March, political experts said California voters could play a deciding role.

State Democratic officials, meanwhile, will be trying to keep the focus on domestic issues this weekend. Even as California suffers an estimated \$34.6 billion deficit that many residents blame on Democrat Davis, whose party controls every statewide office, they’ll emphasize Bush economic policies they say have hurt the state.

San Fran to use instant runoff voting this year

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1992, would not be a concern under an IRV system. Many Nader voters might have made Gore their “second choice,” just as many Perot voters could have chosen the elder Bush as their No. 2 choice.

■ Allow local communities more control over local elections. Voters can directly choose the best voting option for their communities.

■ Promote positive campaigns and eliminate negative campaigns, since a candidate would need second- and third-choice votes. Attack ads, then, would not be wise and would probably not pay off in

an IRV system.

■ Increase voter turnout, as results have shown that turnout increases with more choices on the ballot, as well as increasing the likelihood that one’s vote will be decisive.

The city of San Francisco will use IRV for the November elections this year after citizens passed Proposition A in March 2002. November races for mayor, district attorney and sheriff will be chosen by IRV, and all subsequent elections for supervisor, treasurer, city attorney, public defender and assessor will use IRV.

Drummer sues members of The Doors over contract

By The Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — Stewart Copeland, former drummer of the rock group The Police, has filed a \$1 million breach of oral contract lawsuit claiming two members of The Doors 21st Century reneged on a promise to use him during an upcoming tour and album.

Copeland’s suit was filed in Superior Court on March 7 against keyboardist Ray Manzarek and guitarist Robby Krieger. Both were original members of the 1960s rock band The Doors.

Representatives for Manzarek and Krieger declined comment.

Copeland had performed as recently

as January with the defendants but in February was replaced in The Doors 21st Century, the suit claims.

His lawsuit accuses the defendants of “exploiting the credibility, talent and reputation” of Copeland to launch and generate interest in the tour and album.

Last month, drummer and Santa Monica resident John Densmore sued Manzarek and Krieger for going on tour without him. All three were members of the original The Doors along with lead singer Jim Morrison, who died in 1971. Democratic presidential hopefuls head west for party convention

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INTERNATIONAL

Chief nuclear inspector calls for U.N. compromise

BY CHARLES J. HANLEY
AP Special Correspondent

VIENNA, Austria — The chief U.N. nuclear inspector urged the Security Council on Thursday to compromise on proposed disarmament conditions for Iraq, with staggered deadlines and no ultimatum for war.

“I think there’s a keen desire globally to do everything before resorting to war,” Mohamed ElBaradei said in an Associated Press interview at his agency’s headquarters along the Danube River in Vienna. He offered to return to Baghdad himself to help see a timetable of tasks carried out.

ElBaradei, director-general of the International Atomic Energy Agency, also dismissed the U.S. contention that Iraq intends to use imported aluminum tubes to eventually help make nuclear bombs.

ElBaradei reported to the Security

Council last Friday that his investigation concluded the tubes were unrelated to nuclear work. Secretary of State Colin Powell has since said “more information from a European country” suggested they were, indeed, meant for that purpose.

“We have got this information,” ElBaradei said, “and it doesn’t change our assessment.”

The IAEA chief spoke as divisions deepened at the United Nations in New York over the next steps in the crisis.

In the latest version of a British resolution, London proposes listing six disarmament requirements Baghdad would have to meet or face “serious consequences.” France, which opposes setting ultimatums and has veto power in the council, flatly rejected the plan.

ElBaradei, who with chief U.N. weapons inspector Hans Blix has been at the center of the disarmament effort in

Iraq, said he supports the idea of setting “tasks” for the Baghdad government.

“We haven’t really told them specifically what they need to do,” he said of the Iraqis.

He approved of some requirements on the British list, such as its call for interviews abroad of Iraqi scientists and a commitment to destruction of all al-Samoud 2 missiles, recently declared illegal by U.N. inspectors.

But he questioned Britain’s demand for a televised statement by Iraqi President Saddam Hussein that banned weapons are hidden in Iraq.

“We have no clear evidence he has things he is hiding for him to admit,” ElBaradei said.

ElBaradei, an international lawyer from Egypt, said he regretted the schisms in the Security Council.

“You need the U.N. for (fighting) terrorism, for the Middle East,” he told the

AP. “The fact the Security Council is being split is very counterproductive.”

He called on the Security Council to fashion a compromise resolution with disarmament benchmarks, with deadline dates assigned to certain tasks.

“You need to give them (Iraq) adequate time, and the time obviously is linked to the task you’re asking them to do,” ElBaradei said.

Then, he said, he would go to Baghdad if necessary.

“If as part of the implementation of this benchmark we are asked to go to Iraq, I obviously would not see any reason not to go,” he said.

But missed deadlines must not automatically lead to war, he said: “It’s a deadline to evaluate, to take stock, not a deadline to automatically say I’m going to war.”

Hussein gives \$225K to families of Palestinian ‘martyrs’

BY HASSAN FATTAH
Associated Press Writer

GAZA CITY, Gaza Strip — A defiant Saddam Hussein, under intense international scrutiny for possible ties to terrorism, this week distributed \$225,000 to 21 families of Palestinians killed in fighting with Israel, including \$25,000 to the family of a Hamas suicide bomber.

In all, Iraq has paid more than \$35 million to families of militants — including relatives of scores of suicide bombers — and slain Palestinian civilians in support of the 29-month-old Palestinian uprising against Israel.

Saddam has not tried to hide the payments, disbursing the money in public ceremonies organized by the Arab Liberation Front, a tiny pro-Iraqi faction in the West Bank and Gaza Strip.

Checks of \$10,000 were handed out in a packed ban-

quet hall in Gaza City on Wednesday — even as the United States was trying to persuade the U.N. Security Council support to use military force to disarm Iraq and oust Saddam. Washington has accused Saddam of supporting terrorism.

Ibrahim Zaanen, the Arab Liberation Front leader in Gaza, said the Iraqi payments are a show of Arab solidarity against Western aggression.

“This ceremony, God willing, will not be the last because President Saddam considers the Palestinian people as part of his Arab nation,” Zaanen told The Associated Press on Thursday. “The Iraqis and the Palestinians are in the same trench, facing an ugly aggression.”

A total of 26 families were supposed to receive checks totalling \$275,000 on Wednesday, but five families did not appear and would receive their money later, ALF officials said.

The 26 slain Palestinians whose families were receiving money included 23 civilians, two gunmen and a suicide bomber.

The payments have made Iraq popular among many Palestinians who feel they have been abandoned by other Arab countries in their conflict with Israel. Most Palestinians oppose a U.S. offensive against Baghdad as unjustified, though many also consider Saddam to be a cruel dictator.

Yasser Arafat has been careful not to side with Saddam, as he did in the 1991 Gulf War — a stance that led to the expulsion of tens of thousands of Palestinians

from Gulf states, especially Kuwait.

Arafat’s Palestinian Authority has stayed out of the current U.S.-Iraq confrontation, saying only that it should be resolved by peaceful means.

But radical Palestinian groups have openly sided with Iraq at rallies and marches, on one occasion calling on Iraqis to stage suicide bombings against invading troops.

Sheik Ahmed Yassin, the wheelchair-bound Hamas leader, said recently that war on Iraq was tantamount to a war against all Muslims and “America must be buried in Iraq so they can learn a lesson not to attack any Arab countries.”

Israeli intelligence agencies have been looking at the West Bank and Gaza Strip for signs of ties between Saddam and followers of Osama bin Laden, but have not able to establish such a connection, Israeli security sources have said.

Israel says the payments to the Palestinians prove Saddam’s link to terrorism, however. “It shows that Saddam is involved in every activity that is terrorism and murderous and leads to instability in the Middle East,” said Amira Oron, a spokeswoman for Israel’s Foreign Ministry.

In the Gaza City banquet hall, families walked to the podium one-by-one to receive \$10,000 checks. A large banner said: “The Arab Baath Party Welcomes the Families of the Martyrs for the Distribution of Blessings of Saddam Hussein.”

Among the recipients was the family of a suicide bomber, Mahmoud Jamassi, who blew himself up in a small boat near an Israeli navy vessel in January, killing only himself.

Launching into war?



Markus Schreiber/Associated Press
An aircraft director gives signals as a A F/A-18 Hornet is launched in the background aboard the USS Harry S. Truman on Thursday. The USS Harry S. Truman aircraft carrier and its battle group are currently on deployment in the eastern Mediterranean Sea.

Royal Aide resigns after inquiry finds he bent palace rules on hospitality

BY SUE LEEMAN
Associated Press Writer

LONDON — In a fresh blow for Prince Charles, a trusted personal aide resigned Thursday after an investigation found he bent palace rules forbidding royal staff from accepting perks and hospitality.

The four-month inquiry said Michael Fawcett, did “infringe internal rules relating to gifts from suppliers,” including a Tiffany watch, a Cartier alarm clock, champagne and chocolates.

But Sir Michael Peat, the prince’s private secretary who headed the inquiry, said Fawcett could not be severely criticized because the rules were not enforced and he made no secret of such gifts.

The inquiry criticized Charles’ private office for lax record-keeping, a habit of unloading unwanted gifts and a failure to take seriously a staff member’s claim that he was raped.

The prince, who was visiting Bulgaria on Thursday, said in a written statement that the inquiry “does not make comfortable reading in some parts, but I accept full responsibility and all the recommendations.”

Fawcett did not issue any statement, and wasn’t talking to reporters.

It was the latest setback for the heir to the throne. His public relations adviser Mark Bolland resigned last year. Bolland had been credited with turning Charles’ companion Camilla Parker Bowles from an object of scorn to an accepted member of the royal circle.

More recently, royal officials said they would investigate reports that Charles accepted \$640,000 for one of his charities from Cem Uzan, a Turkish media mogul who is facing fraud charges in the United States.

The prince called to set up the inquiry last November after the collapse of the theft trial of Princess Diana’s former butler Paul Burrell, which prompted allegations that Charles’ staff were responsible for selling unwanted gifts, sometimes taking a cut for themselves.

In his 111-page report, Peat said Fawcett was not guilty of financial impropriety.

The report said perks received by Fawcett last year included membership of a club. “Part of the quid pro quo is that he introduces potential new members to the club,” the report said.

SPORTS



Firefighter wins Iditarod Trail Sled Dog Race

BY RACHEL D'ORO
Associated Press Writer

NOME, Alaska — A Norwegian firefighter won the Iditarod Trail Sled Dog Race on Thursday, enduring extreme wind and cold toward the finish of the grueling, 1,100-mile trek.

Robert Sorlie waved to hundreds of cheering spectators as he completed the race in just more than 9 1/2 days.

He led his eight-dog team across the line at 1:47 a.m. in near-zero temperatures, finishing ahead of Ramy Brooks and three-time Iditarod champion Jeff King.

"I'm feeling very well," Sorlie said before he hugged his wife in the winner's circle.

The 45-year-old musher finished in nine days, 15 hours, 47 minutes. He will take home \$68,571 and a new truck.

It was only the second time Sorlie had made the trek from Anchorage to Nome, a town of 3,500 along the frozen Bering Sea.

Sorlie is the second non-Alaskan to win the Iditarod and the second winner born outside the United States. Doug Swingley of Lincoln, Mont., won four times, and Martin Buser, a Swiss native who has lived in Alaska more than 20 years, became a U.S. citizen after his fourth victory last year.

"That truck is mine," Sorlie said before leaving the village of White Mountain on

Wednesday afternoon for the 77-mile home stretch to Nome.

"It was a tough trail between White Mountain and Nome — wind, cold, much wind-blown snow," Sorlie said. "But I'm feeling good now."

Gusts reached up to 50 mph overnight.

Sorlie is a three-time champion of Norway's premier long-distance dog sled race, the 600-mile Finnmarkslopet. Last year he finished ninth in the Iditarod, a record for a first-time competitor. But Sorlie said he promised his wife he will not race next year.

Sixty-four mushers entered this year's Iditarod, which had a \$600,000 purse. By late Wednesday, 49 mushers were still in the running.

Warm weather and a lack of snow this year forced organizers to make the most drastic changes in the route since the race began in 1973.

The new route was 70 miles longer and followed unfamiliar terrain. Then last weekend, organizers decided to drop one leg of the trek because of poor trail conditions, cutting about 50 miles from the race.

Buser was running in fourth place and Ken Anderson was fifth. In sixth place was John Baker, followed minutes later by Linwood Fiedler.

Completing the top 10 were Ramey Smyth, Ed Iten and Sonny Lindner.



Al Grillo/Associated Press

Norway's Robert Sorlie crosses the finish line of the Iditarod Trail Sled Dog Race in Nome, Alaska on Thursday to take first place in the 1,125-mile Anchorage to Nome sled dog race. The 45-year-old fireman and father of two won the race in 9 days, 15 hours, 47 minutes and 36 seconds. Ramy Brooks of Healy, Alaska, finished second.

Kenny Rogers joins Twins after passing physical

By The Associated Press

FORT MYERS, Fla. — Kenny Rogers passed his physical Thursday, and the Minnesota Twins finalized his \$2 million, one-year contract.

Rogers threw in the bullpen to All-Star catcher A.J. Pierzynski and got his new uniform dirty while taking fielding practice before Minnesota's split-squad game against Detroit.

"I'm glad to be in a uniform," the 38-year-old left-hander said. "I'm just ready to get to work. I'd like to have a little more time than I've got, so I'll just squeeze as much as I can into these next couple of weeks."

Rogers was signed to fill a vacant spot in the Twins' starting rotation caused by the injury to left-hander Eric Milton's left knee. The acquisition of Rogers, a former All-Star and Gold Glove, allows left-hander Johan Santana to move back into the bullpen.

Santana had expected to start.

"I've been waiting for the opportunity, prepared for it, so it is not easy for you as a pitcher when you don't get the opportunity," Santana said.

Milton was placed on the 60-day disabled list to make room for Rogers.

Twins general manager Terry Ryan said Santana's ability to be a full-time starter was not questioned, but the benefit of adding an experienced arm couldn't be passed up.

"The situation developed where he had interest in us and there's no question that we were looking to get left-handed and it worked out," Ryan said. "I think us having a club that's got the capability of advancing in the postseason was part of the equation."

Santana found out before Thursday's split-squad game against Boston that he was headed back to the bullpen.

"I don't have anything against Kenny or anyone they want," he said. "They want a pitcher who can step up and step into the rotation so we can win a World Series, but what's going to happen when Milton comes back?"

According to Rogers, Twins utility man Denny Hocking was the first person from the organization to contact him in order to gauge his interest in signing. Then he spoke with Ryan and started to set things in motion.

"When (Denny) called I was surprised, but when I saw his name on caller-ID I knew I knew that name from somewhere," Rogers said. "It was a big surprise, and

Angels option Turnbow, Jenks

By The Associated Press

TEMPE, Ariz. — Right-hander Derrick Turnbow was optioned to Double-A Arkansas on Thursday by the Anaheim Angels, who also optioned right-hander Bobby Jenks to Class A Rancho Cucamonga.

Turnbow, entering his fourth season with the Anaheim organization, hasn't pitched in the major leagues since 2000, when he made 24 appearances for the Angels and compiled a 4.74 ERA.

After breaking his forearm during the 2001 season, he began on the disabled list and then made 13 appearances for Arkansas. This spring, he had a 9.00 ERA for Anaheim in three relief appearances.

Jenks, who turns 22 Friday, had a 22.50 ERA in just two innings this spring. He spent last season with both Arkansas and Rancho Cucamonga, making 20 starts.

anytime a team has interest for me, I appreciate it."

Rogers was 13-8 with a 3.84ERA in 33 starts for Texas last year. He said the Chicago White Sox also showed interest before they acquired Bartolo Colon from Montreal.

A couple players inside the Twins clubhouse were familiar with Rogers. Mike Fetters pitched in Oakland with Rogers in 1998, and Rick Reed was a teammate with the New York Mets and with Texas.

"He's a gamer, he's a competitor," Fetters said. "He knows his limits, he goes about business thoroughly, he's a profes-

sional. I think this sends a message to the guys in the clubhouse that the people in the front office want to win."

Rogers would like to be ready to pitch by opening day, but Ryan said the plan is to bring him along slowly. Milton is expected to miss four-to-six months.

"My dilemma is not when I'm going to be slotted in," Rogers said. "It's just me getting ready in the right timeframe so I'm here for 34 or 35 starts. It's not my ideal situation, only having 15 or 16 days to get ready. But I knew that going in."

"I don't want to miss a turn in the rotation and that's my first and foremost goal."



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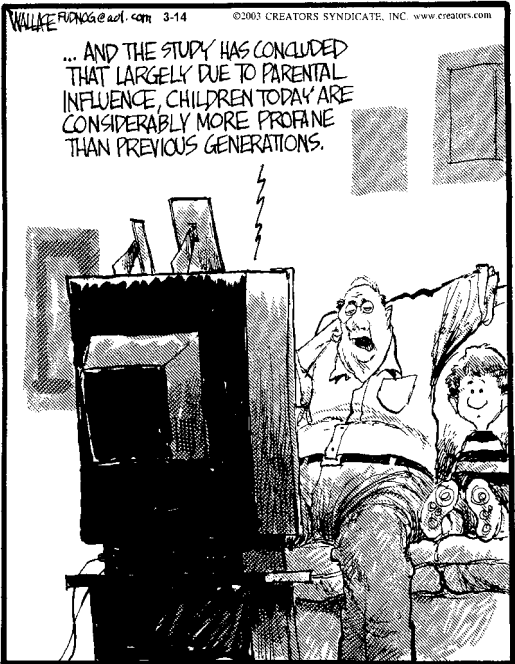


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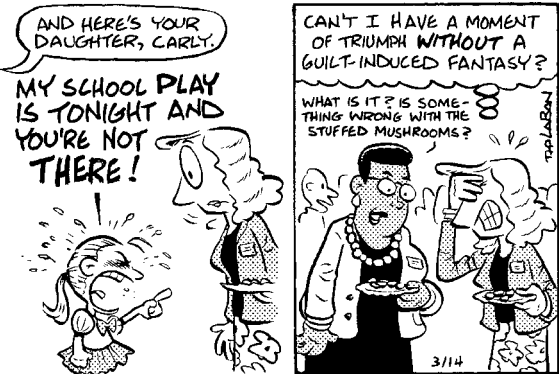
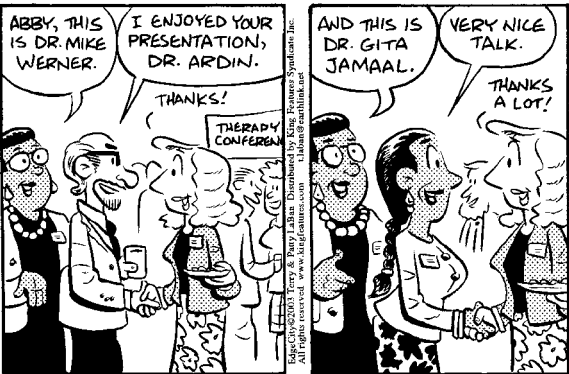
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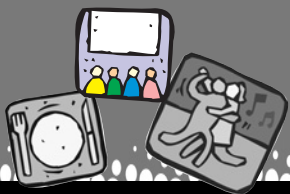
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BACK PAGE

‘Spinster Millie’ gives in and aging hands tie the knot

BY JIM FITZGERALD
 Associated Press Writer

MAMARONECK, N.Y. — For three-quarters of a century, Mildred Bobe resisted flirts, turned down proposals, always found “something wrong” with the men who were interested. Relatives called her “Spinster Millie.” But she has finally made it down the aisle — with the help of a walker festooned with roses and lace — marrying 85-year-old Hubert Spurr, whom she met when their wheelchairs lined up together in physical therapy class at the Sarah Neuman nursing home.

They were pronounced husband and wife Feb. 13 at a nonsectarian service in the home’s sunny Winter Garden, before about 100 chatty residents and one squirming baby. The audience let out a collective “Oooh” when Bobe appeared in her long ivory gown and squealed at each of the couple’s three kisses.

Bobe, 73, accepted Spurr’s proposal, and the \$18 ring he bought at the nursing home gift shop, just a few weeks after meeting him. It seems he knew just the right compliment. “He said he liked my eyes,” Bobe said.

At the wedding, a tenor sang “Spanish Eyes.” While it was Bobe’s first marriage, it was Spurr’s third. He had come to the nursing home in March not because he had to — he could have remained at his Port Chester home, with help — but to stay with his second wife, who had Alzheimer’s disease, after 20 years of marriage.

She died at the home in September, and Spurr, a World War II radioman, an air traffic controller and a longtime teletype operator for United Press International, was heard saying he no longer wanted to live.

In October, he met Bobe, a New York City native, as they sat in their wheelchairs in a hallway, awaiting their turns at physical therapy. She was 15 years younger than the average resident, but heart and kidney problems had taken a toll

after forcing her to retire as head supervisor of data entry at Salomon Brothers. She had lost the life of Manhattan dating and dancing that kept her happy in her singleness.

“Millie and I were both very depressed, me because my wife had died and Millie because she was ill,” Spurr said.

They talked about fishing and history. They played bingo and watched TV.

“We liked the same sort of things,” he said. “She was intelligent and kind and sweet, and truly, she had beautiful eyes. ... I wasn’t depressed any more.”

When Bobe’s sister announced that her family was moving to Seattle and suggested Bobe come with them, Spurr was able to talk her out of it, with the help of that \$18 ring.

“Stay here and marry me,” he said. “We both sort of knew that was the best way to stay together, although I hadn’t asked and she hadn’t said yes,” Spurr said.

Bobe did say yes, choosing Spurr and the nursing home over a life in a house with her family. Asked if the decision wasn’t a bit sudden, she said, “Not at all. I liked him from the start.” And Spurr said, “This was a chance I wasn’t going to get again.”

Since the engagement, the cheap ring has been replaced by one with a diamond, and the staff at Sarah Neuman, part of the Jewish Home and Hospital network, has taken to calling Spurr “Loverboy.”

Man sentenced to 30 nights in doghouse

BY MARK BABINECK
 Associated Press Writer

ORANGE, Texas — A man accused of mistreating his 11-year-old stepson was ordered Thursday to spend 30 nights in a doghouse.

Prosecutors said Curtis Lee Robin Jr. whipped Zachary Weiger with a car antenna, made him sleep in a doghouse and chop wood as punishment.

The boy later recanted the doghouse allegation, and Robin denied making him sleep outdoors. But Robin did not dispute the other claims.

He accepted a plea bargain that gave him a choice of 30 days in jail or 30 nights in a doghouse. He chose

the doghouse so that he could continue to work as a foreman at a demolition company.

Robin was to spend his first night in the 2-by-3-foot state-supplied doghouse in his front yard on Thursday. Rain was forecast.

His lawyers argued he needed a bigger doghouse, a sleeping bag and mosquito netting. Judge Buddie Hahn said the state would provide a doghouse about the same size as the one the boy once claimed to have slept in.

Robin is allowed to sleep with either his head or feet outside, since he cannot fit all the way into the doghouse. A sheriff’s deputy will patrol his home periodically each night to

ensure he serves his sentence. The deal also called for Robin to serve eight years’ probation and pay a \$1,000 fine.

Investigators said when they first interviewed the 11-year-old in 2001, he was filthy and had mosquito bites all over his body.

Pat Anzaldi, the boy’s maternal grandfather, said Robin deserved the punishment. “I know Mr. Robin is very concerned with mosquito netting and weather, but my grandson was not presented with the same treatment,” he said.

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Serving Cornbeef, Cabbage & Irish Stew

♣ Full Bar Menu ♣

♣ Guinness on Draft ♣

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