

Santa Monica Daily Press

A newspaper with issues

LOTTO

FANTASY 5

1, 10, 22, 31, 32

DAILY 3

Afternoon picks: 8, 3, 6

Evening picks: 2, 8, 6

DAILY DERBY

1st Place: 10, Solid Gold
2nd Place: 5, California Classic
3rd Place: 11, Money Bags
Race Time: 1:44.32



NEWS OF THE WEIRD

by Chuck Shepard

Separation of Church and Clinic:

■ At a November hearing on Thomas DeVol's business practices, Missouri's State Committee of Psychologists also heard evidence that the marriage counselor had described himself as a "Christian psychologist" who estimated that, during his 20-year practice, about 150 of his clients were possessed by demons and other "evil spirits." (The committee was still deliberating DeVol's fate at press time.)

■ In February in Genoa, Italy, Catholic Cardinal Tarcisio Bertone announced formation of a committee of three priests and three health professionals to decide, in possible cases of satanic possession, whether the parishioner should be referred to counseling or to an exorcist.

QUOTE OF THE DAY

"I have an intense desire to return to the womb. Anybody's."

— Woody Allen

INDEX

Horoscopes

Into the woodwork, Capricorn ... 2

Local

"Thunder" clap ... 3

State

Noose tightens on hurt workers ... 5

Opinion

'Fool'-ish pride ... 6

Entertainment

Roseanne displays 'Range' ... 8

National

Here comes the judge ... 10

International

Sharon wants to share ... 11



Carolyn Sackariason/Daily Press

Craig Clark (left), brother of Brian Clark, the owner Canyon Service & Detail, chats with Santa Monica resident Melanie Kai Queudo. The 80-year-old service station faces possible closure because of a neighbor dispute.

Gas station owner may have to go with the flow

Days may be numbered for 80-year-old landmark

BY JOHN WOOD

Daily Press Staff Writer

SM CANYON — The gasoline tanks are dry at an 80-year-old service station in the heart of Santa Monica Canyon, and it may not be long before the historic business is shut down forever.

Brian Clark, 41, owner of Canyon Service & Detail, is in a tug-of-war with his landlords, who have put the 17,000-square-foot parcel at 507 Entrada Dr. on the market for \$2.3 million. Clark said he wants to buy the station, but added that realtor friends have valued it at no more than \$1.8 million.

The historic property is owned by descendants of Francisco Marquez, who, with Ysidro Reyes, was granted the 6,600-acre-plus Rancho Boca de Santa Monica by the Mexican government in 1838.

Since taking over the service station in 1996, Clark has feuded with some residential neighbors over a car detailing outfit he

runs on the property. They maintain the detailing service is loud and illegal. Clark says it's essential to the success of his business and supported by most neighbors.

"The station needs the gas to bring in the traffic and the detailing to generate the money," said Clark, who pays \$3,000 a month to rent the 1924 station. Clark added it costs about \$20,000 to fill up the gas tanks, an investment he's hesitant to make while the future of the station is uncertain.

The specialty, high-octane pumps at the station have been dry for about a month. The future of the little station was thrown into doubt by a lawsuit levied by Ted Stolman, 62, a business reorganization and bankruptcy lawyer, who for 24 years has lived on Amalfi Court behind the station.

Stolman started fighting the city of Los Angeles in 2000, after it granted Clark a permit allowing him to do detailing work on the property, which sits in the middle of a residential area and has been able to sell gasoline only with a special permit since 1925, when the property was

See STATION, page 4

Ruff days for dead man's former companion

By Daily Press staff

When local homeless man Michael Stranger died in an alley north of Wilshire Boulevard last month, he left Lenny, his 4-year-old mutt, to wander the streets alone.

Animal activists who knew Stranger quickly took up the cause. They bailed Lenny out of the shelter, had him groomed and evaluated, and started looking to find him a new home.

"That dog was his whole life," said Patricia

Stake, a longtime resident who runs Lost Angels, a local nonprofit organization dedicated to helping needy animals. "He was the center of his life."

Stranger's body was found by city trash collectors early March 19 tucked underneath an apartment building in an alley between Ninth and 10th streets north of Wilshire Boulevard.

Lt. Cheryl MacWillie, a supervisor from the Los Angeles County Coroner's Office, said Stranger, 56, who was known on the streets as

"Bill," reportedly suffered from cancer of the stomach and esophagus, and possibly alco-

See PET, page 4

Fool's gold? Residents take issue

From the editor:

It was a joke.

Some people found yesterday's news hilarious, while others did not.

In case some of our readers missed it, the April 1 edition of the Santa Monica Daily Press was entirely made up and, while most of the reaction from the community was positive, there were a handful of people who called our office in disgust. We're sorry if we offended you ... it was just a joke.

Those who were upset mostly complained of the lead story — "Palisades Bluffs crumble; PCH closes." One reader, who works on

Main Street, said it was appalling that we would use a tragedy to get a laugh. The story, which pointed out that no one was injured in the fake disaster, was intended to "fool" readers into thinking big news happened on Wednesday.

Another reader e-mailed this message: "Your editorial today is a travesty of newspaper publishing. If you had any history in Santa Monica you would know that the possibility of the bluffs crumbling is no laughing matter and has indeed happened. You should be ashamed of yourself. You are the joke."

But others called commending the SMDP

See APRIL FOOL'S, page 5

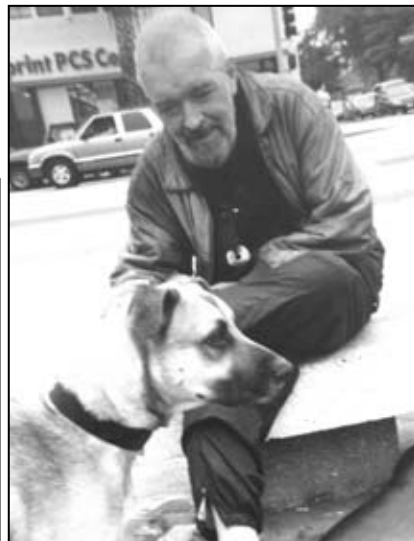


Photo courtesy

Michael Stranger and pet dog Lenny were constant companions up until the man's death.

New '03 All Wheel Murano SE \$27,386

Auto, Full Power, Tilt, AM/FM, CD & More

Save \$4000 off MSRP

MSRP: \$31,386

SANTA MONICA NISSAN

888-651-4821

1599 Santa Monica Blvd.

santamonicanissan.com



Stk#230541 vin#3W219000

Acadie
HAND CRAFTED FRENCH CREPES

◆ CREPES ◆ COFFEE ◆ SOUPS ◆ SALADS ◆

213 Arizona Ave, Off The 3rd Street Promenade Tel: (310) 395-1120

BRING THIS AD TO RECEIVE A 10% DISCOUNT

BACK OR UNFILED TAXES?

ALL FORMS • ALL TYPES • ALL STATES

SAMUEL B. MOSES, CPA
(310) 395-9922
429 Santa Monica Blvd. Ste. 710
Santa Monica 90401



AWARD WINNING BEER SELECTION

29 Beers on Draught
HAPPY HOUR 4-6PM Monday thru Friday

\$5.99 Burger Monday!!!

Your choice of:
Ahi • Salmon • Boca
Garden • Turkey • Beef

PLAN YOUR NEXT PARTY
ON THE PATIO

2911 Main Street • Santa Monica • 11:30am - Midnight Mon-Sun
Telephone 310.314.4855 • www.libraryalehouse.com

Would you like to buy
diamonds
from someone in the
family?



Visit today and see the difference family makes.

At Readers Fine Jewelers, we treat our clients
like part of the family. Loyal service, the best
quality, value and a great reputation.

331 Wilshire Blvd. Santa Monica • 2 Hours Free Parking (Behind Store)
310.451.1349 • www.readersjewelers.com



Eddie Guerboian



Britannia Pub

A Great Place To Anchor

Great Food... Great Cocktails... Great Crew... GREAT FUN!!



Full Bar • Restaurant • Live Music • Heated Patio
Low Carb Menu Available!

WEDNESDAY NIGHT BANDS ARE BACK!
Show Starts at 10pm • No Cover
April 7th: Yikes

KARAOKE! Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday & Sundays • No Cover

318 Santa Monica Blvd. • Santa Monica
310-458-5350 • www.britanniapub.com



HOROSCOPE

The Daily Horoscope is proudly sponsored by:



THE COUNTER
BUILDING A BETTER BURGER

HOURS: M-TH:11AM-10PM FRI-SAT:11AM-11PM SUN:12PM-9PM
2901 Ocean Park Blvd in Santa Monica • 310.399.8383

One at a time tonight, Aquarius



JACQUELINE BIGAR'S STARS

The stars show the kind of day you'll have:

★★★★★-Dynamic ★★★★★-Positive ★★★-Average
★★-So-so ★-Difficult

ARIES (March 21-April 19)

★★★★ Your fiery side emerges, even if you try to stay focused at work. Others find your words to be unusually harsh, though you might not intend them to be. Still, you gather up enough steam to get the job done. Focus. Tonight: Choose something that's physically relaxing for you.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

★★★★ Your imagination takes you to a new level of understanding. Financial changes occur because of your imagination and ability to see beyond the obvious. Your laughter invigorates those around you. Just don't overspend. Tonight: Play away.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

★★★★ Others might contradict you but have good ideas behind their criticism. Pressure builds, and you might let someone have it who really doesn't deserve it. Be sensitive to a family member or roommate. Remember, you have to live with him or her. Tonight: At home.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

★★★★ Speak your mind and follow through on clearing off your desk and returning messages. You'll want to leave your office uncluttered, if possible. Consider new ways of encouraging those around you. Choose your words with care if you are frustrated. Tonight: Start your Friday night ritual.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

★★★★ Others push you hard to spend your money on something they think is a great idea. Be sure you agree. You might push someone away, but it also might be worth it, for now. Right now, you have good instincts regarding your investments. Tonight: Your treat.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

★★★★ The Moon in your sign empowers you for the next few days. Think through a decision, especially if it is controversial and about your work. Right now, expressing yourself forcefully could backfire. Charm works. Tonight: Keep on smiling.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

★★★★ Know when to step back. Information might be a lot different from what you know are the facts. Lighten up about what is going on rather than create bad feelings. Keeping your own counsel allows for success. Tonight: Be mysterious. Vanish.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

★★★★ Where groups, meetings and friends can be found is where you gain right now. A partner or associate could be on the warpath, making you most uncomfortable. Focus on the long term, not getting into anything petty. Tonight: Where you are, the party is.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

★★★★ Others could be irritable, even if it is the end of the workweek. Emphasize what is good in your life, and deal with those areas. A public appearance or a discussion with a higher-up takes you in a new direction. Look to monetary gains. Tonight: A force to be dealt with.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

★★★★ Consider taking off early today. You need a change of pace and a break from your daily life. Sometimes you become so imbedded with routines that you need to pull out. You gain a great deal from a new setting and mindset. Tonight: Pretend to be gone, even if you're not.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

★★★★ Together with another, you make a difference. Teamwork takes you down a new path, be it financial or emotional. Dance to a different tune; open up to new ways of thinking and handling personal matters. Tonight: Flirt with only one person at a time, please.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

★★★★ Visualize more of what you want within a relationship. Don't expect this to happen overnight, but start talking about your desires. By putting them on the table, you're on your way to creating just what you want. Tonight: Accept an invitation out.

Santa Monica Daily Press

Published Monday through Saturday
Phone: 310.458.PRESS(7737) • Fax: 310.576.9913

1427 Third Street Promenade, Ste. #202 • Santa Monica, CA 90401 • www.smdp.com

PUBLISHER

Ross Furukawa ross@smdp.com

EDITOR

Carolyn Sackarian sack@smdp.com

STAFF WRITER

John Wood wood@smdp.com

CHILD DEVELOPMENT COLUMNIST

Margie Altman margiealtman@yahoo.com

ADVERTISING SALES MANAGER

Rob Piubeni rob@smdp.com

ADVERTISING ACCOUNT EXECUTIVE

Steve Averill steve@smdp.com

ADVERTISING ACCOUNT EXECUTIVE

Rob Schwenker schwenker@smdp.com

PRODUCTION MANAGER

Del Pastrana del@smdp.com

PRODUCTION ASSISTANT

Alejandro Cesar Cantarero II alex@smdp.com

ADMINISTRATIVE TRAFFIC MANAGER

Heather Rich heather@smdp.com

CLASSIFIED REPRESENTATIVE

Mitch Troy mitch@smdp.com

CLASSIFIED REPRESENTATIVE

Kitty Seeger kitty@smdp.com

CIRCULATION MANAGER

Michael Aviles michael@smdp.com

CIRCULATION

Keith Wyatt keith@smdp.com

CIRCULATION

Glenn Bolan glenn@smdp.com

SPECIAL PROJECTS

Dave Danforth dave@smdp.com

MASCOT

Maya Furukawa maya@smdp.com

LOCAL



COMMUNITY BRIEFS

A 'Thunderous' victory for girls soccer team

By Daily Press staff

After a recent win, a Santa Monica youth soccer team now ranks first in Southern California in their age group and as one of the top teams in the nation.

The Santa Monica AYSO girls under-10 soccer team, the Blue Thunderbolts, on March 27, won in San Pedro the Tri-Section Championships, which includes the area between Bakersfield and Mexico, and represents nearly a third of all AYSO teams in America.

It also is the first time in recent history that a league team from Santa Monica AYSO, boys or girls, has won the tournament, officials said.

"This is a great day for Santa Monica AYSO," said Maryanne LaGuardia, the AYSO regional commissioner. "Congratulations to the team and their coaches, Angel Vasquez and Peter Meyer, for their tireless efforts and dedication which resulted in this triumphant win. All of Santa Monica should feel proud."

Following their Area 1P Championship in January, the Thunderbolts then advanced to the Section 1 games in Beaumont and Hemet, and again, won the championship, officials said.

On March 27, they played their semi-final game of the Tri-Section tournament against Santa Barbara's Orange Thunder, the undefeated team from Section 10.

With less than a minute to play the Blue Thunderbolts, who were down by one, tied the score and sent the game into overtime, officials said.

In overtime play, the Thunderbolts won with a score of 5 to 3. Their final game of the tournament was against Crazy In Pink, a team from Alta Loma.

The Thunderbolts defeated Crazy In Pink with a score of 5 to 2, giving them the first place win.

The scoring attack was led by Kristen Vasquez and Kendall Gustafson with support by mid-fielders Dalia Kaufman, Jessie Bar, Alex Rodriguez and Sasha Meyer.

The team goalie, Hunter Conrad, came out charging to save a number of break aways, and Dana Ritchie and Sophie Innocenti held defense positions, officials said.

Mark Ritchie served as team manager, and assisted the coaches and team throughout the season.

Former SMC Trustee dies

By Daily Press staff

Former Santa Monica College Trustee, volunteer and community activist, Schiller A. Colberg, died March 23 at the age of 90.

Colberg served 20 years, until 1979, on the SMC and Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District Board when the two districts were governed by one entity. He also served on SMC's General Advisory Board.

Perhaps best known for his commitment to the Boy Scouts, he also was involved in other community organizations, including the Santa Monica Rotary Club — where he logged in 49 years of near perfect attendance and also served as president.

Born July 8, 1913 in Chicago, he obtained his bachelor's degree from the University of Illinois in 1937 and became a professional Boy Scout executive the next year.

In 1940 he married Medora Clow, and they began raising a family. Colberg continued working with the Scouts and also graduated from the executive program at the University of Chicago and obtained his master's degree in business administration from that school in 1954.

That same year, Colberg and his family moved to Malibu after he accepted the position of Scout Executive for the Crescent Bay Area Council in Western Los Angeles.

Scouting flourished under Colberg's leadership as he helped build the membership over 24 years from 5,000 Scouts to 34,000 — including the San Fernando Valley — and the volunteer base from 3,000 to 17,000.

Colberg also was involved in the Santa Monica Bay Navy League, and served on the boards of Sheltered Workshops for the Handicapped and First Federal Savings of Santa Monica. He was also a charter member of the Plato Society at UCLA.

Aside from his wife, he is survived by his son Kent; daughters Karen Colberg and Kristine Stewart; sister Betty DeWitt, and three grandchildren. He was preceded in death by son Kit Colberg. A memorial service will be held at 2:30 p.m. on Friday, April 30 at First United Methodist Church, 1008 11th St. in Santa Monica.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Western Los Angeles County Council, Boy Scouts of America, 16525 Sherman Way, Unit C-8, Van Nuys, Calif. 91406.

surf report

Look for mainly leftover WNW swell today, with waist-high surf at the better winter breaks.

OUTLOOK: New, steep NW swell will be on the rise through the day on Saturday with waist-high surf and below.

Today the water is:

62°

Write us at wood@smdp.com and tell us what the surf is doing today at your local break.

	LOW TIDES				HIGH TIDES			
	Morning	Height	Evening	Height	Morning	Height	Evening	Height
SATURDAY	8:40	1.0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
SUNDAY	10:25	0.8	N/A	N/A	1:02	4.1	N/A	N/A
MONDAY	11:29	0.4	11:01	3.0	3:01	4.0	7:10	3.4
TUESDAY	12:10	0.1	11:52	2.6	4:33	4.2	7:12	3.7
WEDNESDAY	N/A	N/A	12:42	-0.1	5:32	4.6	7:22	3.9
THURSDAY	12:28	2.0	1:09	-0.3	6:18	4.9	7:37	4.2
FRIDAY	1:03	1.5	1:35	-0.4	6:58	5.1	7:55	4.6

The Surf Report is sponsored by:

ALL ABOUT HER

ROCKER

12204 Venice Boulevard
Mar Vista, CA 90066
(310) 397-8300 TEL
(310) 397-8931 FAX
www.rockboardshop.com
info@rockboardshop.com

BOARD SHOP

SURF • SNOW • SKATE

boards • wetsuits
swimwear
clothing • accessories

The Q-Line

The Supreme Court is currently debating whether or not "under God" should be removed from the Pledge of Allegiance. The question arose when the parents — one an atheist and the other a born-again Christian — of a 9-year-old girl got entangled in a custody battle.

Now the issue has gone all the way to the high court and in 2002, the 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals declared that reciting the pledge in public schools is unconstitutional because the words "under God" amount to an endorsement of religion — and is not a separation of

church and state. If upheld, the ruling would overturn 50 years of common practice in America's schools.

So this week, Q-Line wants to know: "Should the words 'under God' be removed from the Pledge of Allegiance? Why or why not?"

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

Design a Party with a Slice!

Specializing in Event Catering, Office Parties and Birthdays

"A slice of NY in your own backyard."

— Anthony Dias Blue
Bon Appetit Lifestyle

Lunch/Office Delivery

915 Wilshire Blvd. • 310.451.SLICE (7542)
1622 Ocean Park Blvd. • 310.399.4060



Since 1967
Quality & Value Always!

Open 6am - 2:30pm Mon. - Fri.
6am - 4pm Sat. - Sun.

310-399-7892

2732 Main St.
Santa Monica

REACH FOR
YOUR FRUITS AND
VEGETABLES HERE!
(5-9 A DAY)

Quilters

By Molly Newman & Barbara Damashek



Morgan-Wixson Theatre - Feb. 27 to April 4

Fridays & Saturdays at 8pm & Sundays at 2pm

Saturday Matinee Mar. 13 at 2pm

Tickets \$20 / Seniors \$15 / Students \$12 / Group Discounts

Reservations: (310) 828-7519
2627 Pico Blvd in Santa Monica

www.morgan-wixson.org



LOCAL

Neighbors prevail in fight versus historic Canyon service station

STATION, from page 1

annexed to LA County. In December, Stolman convinced the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals to overturn the detailing permit.

"If you allow him to get away with this type of action, then next week he'll open a 7-11 store and the next week he'll open a liquor store," Stolman said Thursday. "A line needs to be drawn."

Though Stolman and a handful of other neighbors feel the detailing outfit is too loud and congests traffic in the canyon, Clark, who grew up in nearby Mandeville Canyon, said there's strong support for the old service station — even with the detailing component. And he isn't giving up his fight.

"I'm not a quitter and I can't just

say forget it," he said, adding the LA City Attorney's Office told him not to panic, and that they would review the recent ruling and decide where to take it from there.

Stolman maintained the Ninth Circuit ruling is final and cannot be contested.

In the meantime, the property owners are apparently determined to sell. Upon her death two years ago, Angie Marquez passed the land onto three children, one of whom died and passed it on to her children. Clark said those children are anxious to sell.

There are currently several offers for the property on the table, but none from Clark, said real estate agent Patt Frank, who declined to elaborate on how many offers had been made or for how much. The 17,000-square-foot property could

easily accommodate two single-family homes, if developed.

What happens next remains unclear. Clark said he is entitled to a five-year continuation on his lease, which has expired, but that he wouldn't fight the Marquez descendants if they opt to sell the property. Plus, Clark said he's been spending \$1,500 a month out of his own pocket to cover the rent in recent months.

Stolman said he only wants what's fair.

"Clark billed it as a 'save the station' event, which it never was," Stolman said Thursday. "Our position all along has been that we want the station to comply with the regulations."

"We're not saying the station needs to close. We're just saying, 'Comply with law.'"

Man's best friend suddenly needs home

PET, from page 1

holism. When he was found, Stranger was still wearing an identification bracelet from Santa Monica Hospital, where he'd been treated just days before he died for an unknown illness.

Stake said Stranger often would hang out in front of the 7-11 at Seventh Street and Wilshire Boulevard. It was there that she saw him last, just days before he died.

"As we're talking, I'm realizing Michael's having a hard time holding the leash, it's painful for him," Stake

said. "As we're talking he'd say, 'Excuse me, I'm just in so much pain.'"

Stake, who brought chew toys and bones for Lenny to play with, said Stranger told her he'd been attacked and robbed in his sleep the night before by other homeless people who knew he was given powerful painkillers during his hospital stay. Stranger told Stake doctors had told him he had only weeks to live, Stake added.

"He was trying to find a home for that dog," she said.

When Stake learned of Stranger's death, she immediately went to the Santa Monica Shelter and bailed out Lenny, a labrador-shepherd mix. Since then, a groomer called the "Laundered Beast" in Venice has donated a free grooming and Faith Mantooth at "Doggy Central," which is a Culver City-based cage-free kennel, donated a free temperament evaluation.

But as of Thursday, Lenny was still looking for a temporary caretaker and in need of a permanent home. Stake said she was hoping to find someone in the community who had bonded with Lenny before she opened up the adoption to the general public. She encouraged people to call for more information.

Lost Angels can be reached at (310) 401-0182.

— John Wood



THERE'S A PLUS
TO SWITCHING BANKS.

INTRODUCING FREE CHECKING
PLUS \$50* FROM FIRST BANK.

When you switch to First Bank, you'll never have to worry about changing banks again. We're not for sale and that's more than a promise, it's a guarantee. So you'll never again end up with surprises like new account numbers or new PIN's. Plus you can receive:

- ▶ \$20 for establishing Direct Deposit
- ▶ \$20 for making a bill payment with Online Banking
- ▶ \$10 for using a Debit Card with 10 signature based transactions

LOS ANGELES
11835 W. Olympic Blvd.
310-473-0090



Member FDIC

* Offer available for one new personal checking account per household. Minimum \$100 to open. New checking account may earn a maximum of \$50 limited to one new checking account per household. An incentive of \$20 will be awarded for setting up direct deposit or for conducting an Online Bill Payment posted between 3/23/04 and 6/30/04. For conducting 10 or more signature-based debit card transactions that posts between 3/23/04 and 6/30/04, a \$10 bonus will be awarded. Incentives will be credited to the new checking account on or about 7/15/04. Excludes new branch special offers. Offer good for new checking accounts opened between 3/23/04 and 5/15/04, and in good standing as of 6/30/04.

UNIVERSAL ART GALLERY

"Best Framer in Los Angeles"
LA Magazine

Catering to the Interior Design
and Film Industry

- ✓ Speedy & professional service
- ✓ All work done on the premises
- ✓ Special discounts to the trade

Your family portraits deserve a professional touch.

Universal Art Gallery • 2001 Lincoln Blvd., Venice • phone: (310) 302-8909



ARE YOU BACKED UP?

IT'S EASY AND WILL SAVE YOU TIME
AND MONEY IN THE LONG RUN.

- Data backup packages start at \$50 a month
- Daily and Weekly back ups available
- It's automatic!
- Recovery assistance available.

ZyLink

Call Zylink at 866.227.9539

TAX \$
free
\$ Day

on
Montana Avenue
7th to 17th Streets

Saturday
April 3, 2004

Shop tax free all day
The tax is on us!

SALES TAX PAID BY PARTICIPATING MONTANA ART ASSOC. MERCHANTS



California tightening up workers' comp. system

BY STEVE LAWRENCE

Associated Press Writer

SACRAMENTO — Rosaura Navarro picked strawberries in the fields near Watsonville until she wrenched her back and leg while lifting the baskets of fruit four years ago.

Back injuries are notoriously hard to diagnose, and Navarro says doctors could not pinpoint the source of her pain. Nevertheless, the 30-year-old woman has been getting \$110 a week in workers' comp instead of the \$420 she made picking crops.

Such benefits may be in jeopardy as California tries to overhaul the most costly workers' compensation insurance system in America.

California's 91-year-old system has been troubled for the better part of the past decade, but now, with premiums doubling and tripling, the economy stagnant and businesses threatening to leave the state, fixing it has become a priority for lawmakers and Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger.

Schwarzenegger wants to require doctors to use "objective medical findings" to determine if an employee has a work-related injury. Injuries would have to be "reproducible, measurable or observable." He also wants to require employees to show that a cumulative injury — one that develops over time — was substantially caused by work.

Unlike many states, California covers

all industries and all workers, such as field hands like Navarro and employees of small businesses. California also makes it easier than many states to claim a work-related injury; among other things, it covers cumulative injuries and occupational diseases that other states do not.

Because of those factors and others, the total paid in workers' comp premiums in California has gone from \$6.4 billion in 1997 to an estimated \$25 billion in 2003, according to the California Chamber of Commerce. And the average cost of dealing with workplace injuries has more than doubled, climbing from \$2.68 per \$100 of payroll in 2000 to \$6.30 per \$100 in 2003 — the highest rate in the nation.

Business groups portray the problem as less a matter of fraud and malingering on the part of workers and more a case of too much subjectivity in the way injuries are diagnosed and rated in severity.

Too often, said Chamber of Commerce lobbyist Charles Bacchi, two workers with essentially the same injury will receive wildly different benefits. One doctor might prescribe costly therapy, while another might give the worker a painkiller.

Bacchi said such "highly subjective" evaluations may lead to a worker getting "a permanent disability award for something that's not necessarily warranted."

The changes proposed by the governor could affect Navarro and the thousands of other workers with similar injuries that

are not easily detected by an X-ray or other diagnostic tool.

Attorneys and doctors said the governor's proposal would be particularly harmful to California's 900,000 farmworkers, who frequently complain of back pain because of the stooping, bending and lifting required to pick crops.

"I can only empathize with the field worker who is injured and has back pain that may or may not show up with objective findings on an X-ray or an MRI or what have you," said Dr. Ramon Jimenez, former

president of the California Orthopedic Association. "To discount them, to cut them out of the benefits because they have pain or subjective symptoms and you cannot measure, it is absolutely wrong."

The problem may well be worse in California, where the close-to-the-ground crops and tender fruits and vegetables such as strawberries, cilantro, almonds, pomegranates, dates, oranges and avocados have to be harvested by hand rather than by machine — a backbreaking job.

Southern California Transfer Company

PUBLIC DUMP IN SANTA MONICA

310-828-6444
1908 Frank St. Santa Monica



GERMAN CAR SERVICE

Specialist in Repair of **Porsche • VW • Audi • BMW**

- Best alternative to high dealer prices
- Complete service and repair
- All work guaranteed
- Locally owned and operated since 1965



2202 OLYMPIC BLVD., SANTA MONICA • (310) 829-2563

Transients look to 'settle' up

APRIL FOOLS, from page 1

for making them, well ... feel like fools. One reader said he was fooled for about 10 seconds, but then realized that the photo of the rubble on the PCH was obviously fake. But his girlfriend, who lives in Malibu, called him in a panic, wondering when she would ever see her love again because the PCH was closed. His response to those upset was "Lighten up, it's a joke." He added that his girlfriend called two colleagues who commute from the north and told them to go a different way to get to Santa Monica because she thought the PCH was closed.

City officials — who appreciated the humor, much of which was at their expense — said they were inundated on Thursday with transients who believed that City Hall really did settle a \$57 mil-

lion lawsuit with a homeless group, and came in to City Hall looking for their money. There is no money and there is no settlement. Sorry for the confusion.

One reader called in and expressed her angst, explaining her neighborhood nearly gave her notice to her landlord when she learned that nickel parking meters were going to be installed on every street in Santa Monica.

"There was no humor in your paper at all today. If you are going to do this you should tell people," she said. "This isn't funny. This is a newspaper. It's supposed to be real."

Several readers were in agreement when they said they thought Santa Monica needs a sense of humor every once in a while.

We concur.

Serving OCEAN PARK and nearby beach communities

Monte Hartman
Real Estate Services

COLDWELL BANKER

oceanparkhomes.com (310) 448-5968

RESIDENTIAL INCOME

Helping Sellers:

- Complete 1031 Exchanges
- Trade Equity for Larger Buildings & Increased Income
- Receive the Best Possible Price for Their Property (showings w/accepted offer only)

Helping Buyers:

- Locate & Secure Desired Properties
- Purchase Homes with Income Units

CALL JOSH KAHN 310.968.1737

CENTURY 21 BETTER HOMES • 1626 Ocean Park Blvd., Santa Monica

NOW SERVING BREAKFAST!

Starting Monday, April 5th: 7am-11am



**ALL MARCH
MADNESS GAMES**
\$1.00 Tacos — \$2.50 Pints

8 TVs • 2 Big Screens
Authentic Philly Cheese Steaks
Burgers • Pop-a-shot
3 Pool Tables and more!

(310) 899-0076

1333 Santa Monica Blvd.
(corner of I4th and Santa Monica)
Lunch-Time Delivery Available

Happy Hour
5-7 M-F

*Burger, Fries & Pint

\$6.95

**LAKERS &
KINGS GAMES**

\$2.50 Pints • 12 different beers on tap

SUB SANDWICH

Buy One at Regular Price & Get the 2nd
of equal or lesser value for **FREE!**

With Coupon. Expires 6/30/04

Upcoming Headliners

SATURDAY 4/03

80's Saturday Afternoon!

SUNDAY 4/04

CUBENSIS Grateful Dead tribute

MONDAY 4/05

MEET ME AT THE PUB

Since 1993
Available for private parties

Next door to
Over/Under
(310) 451-5040
www.l4below.com

LETTERS

April Fool's issue a 'hoot'

Editor:

If Pulitzers are awarded for Best Mock News Issue, you guys are a shoo-in. Your April 1 issue was a hoot — as good as the best issue of The Onion.

When my East Coast friends have asked about life out here — I'm a recent immigrant — I've said that I'm broadening my definition of normal. When asked in the future, I'll just e-mail a hotlink to your April 1 issue.

Thanks for the belly-laughs.

Elissa Royal
Santa Monica

Gotcha

Editor:

You guys. You got me again, but not for long this year. I was horror struck reading "Palisades bluffs crumble; PCH closes" by Sacka Something, Daily Planet Slave, in the Santa Monica Daily Planet. I turned to page 11 to read the continuation of the story, and was thinking, "Now what am I going to do?" due to the fact that I walk in Palisades Park just about every day. I thought, "I wonder if it is safe to even venture near the park?" and then I noticed the story below it, also by Sacka Something, "Osama bin Laden captured in SM" and that is when I got it, and began chuckling. The funny thing is that I've heard someone say that bin Laden is probably hiding out in the Santa Monica Mountains somewhere, but, what would be a more perfect place than in the tunnels of the bluffs along with the homeless.

It was a pleasant relief to discover that it was all an April Fool's joke, and the laughter lifted my spirits after the savagery that took place in Iraq yesterday, but then I was then confronted with it again in today's LA Times, which actually had photos of the bodies hanging from the bridge. It is so gruesome and I find it unimaginable that anyone could be so mercilessly savage.

The other thing that it pointed out to me was how much I take for granted, such as believing I was reading the Santa Monica Daily Press, and not the Santa Monica Daily Planet, and how I assume that I am reading stories by known Press staff, when the names have all been changed "to protect the innocent."

Julia Childish
AKA Julia Reeves
Santa Monica

Reader was fooled

Editor:

I enjoyed today's (SMDP, April Fool's edition) paper very much. Well done.

I especially liked "meanwhile, shots rang out in the Pico Neighborhood." You're a riot.

The picture on the front had me reaching for the phone to call a friend to see if she'd seen it on the TV news. Very nice.

Christian Boyce
Santa Monica

Reader not amused

Editor:

If you are going to do a spoof e-mail briefing, could you at least make it funny? (SMDP, April Fool's edition) Somebody needs to get in better touch with their inner fart cushion, and stop wasting everyone else's time.

Andrew Gumbel
Santa Monica

See LETTERS, page 7



Council's smoke-screen is biggest April Fool's joke



**MY
WRITE**
By Bill Bauer

After reading the April Fool's parodies in the local news yesterday, I wondered why writers resorted to fiction when recent actions by City Hall stand on their own as April Fool's jokes.

Last week, City Council extended smoking prohibitions to the Santa Monica Pier, beaches and a cigarette butt's flipping distance from municipal bus stops. There was the usual rhetoric from politicians and self-proclaimed guardians of public health about fire dangers, pollution and health hazards from second-hand smoke. (100 yards away on a public beach in a 3-knot wind?)

City Hall recently joined a lawsuit against two federal agencies involved in foreign oil projects that allegedly generate carbon dioxide emissions that are leading to global warming — and the eventual destruction of our beaches and our tourist industry.

Holy catastrophe! City Hall makes a federal case about global warming's effect

on our beaches and bluffs 10,000 years from now, but conveniently ignores the detrimental effects a smoking ban and our large, inhospitable vagrant population has on the tourism industry today? I smell a "Green Party" agenda and another pointless Don Quixote-type misadventure like recent failed litigation over ATM fees, which cost us hundreds of thousands of taxpayer dollars.

How about the hundreds of "homeless" who use our parks, streets, alleys and private property as toilets? There's a wall in the 2400 block of Main St. that is breathtaking, not only for its odor, but the sheer amount of human excrement at its base. This is not a health hazard, or bad for tourism?

We have laws prohibiting public urination and excretion, but with an estimated 1,500 transients here, they're impossible to enforce. Homeless advocates claim that public restrooms would solve the problem. But between the violently mentally ill and vandals, these facilities are impossible to keep operational and in repair.

How about an ordinance requiring the mostly non-Santa Monica groups that still feed transients in our parks to provide portable toilets so their customers don't have to relieve themselves on our side-walks and yards after dining? Naww. The

City Council is too busy wasting time on cigarette smoke to deal with something serious.

If City Hall were really concerned about the environment, wouldn't it be doing something about chimney smoke? There must be tens of thousands of unfiltered, unregulated chimneys that belch smoke from burning wood, paper and who knows what other materials in residential fireplaces on a nightly basis.

It's why when you take a walk at night, the air smells like burning rubbish. Sometimes there's so much acrid smoke that eyes sting, noses run and shortness of breath ensues. How can this be good for everyone's health?

One fireplace fire generates a 100,000 times more pollution than a cigarette. However, no politician will incur the wrath of legions of fireplace owners by outlawing wood burning fireplaces — no matter how much better for all of us and the environment it would be in the end.

Don't wait for political leaders, environmental advocates or even the self-appointed guardians of public health to tackle fireplace pollution. It's too big of a fish to swallow. Politicians and do-gooders always pick on inconsequential targets such as the small percentage of people who still smoke versus a lot of people who

enjoy their fireplaces and then brag, "Look what I've accomplished."

It's all disingenuous, inconsistent, cowardly and hypocritical. City leaders talk the talk but won't walk the walk. In the end, nothing improves. Meanwhile, someone or some small group loses another freedom, sacrificed by a pointless smokescreen of bogus showboating and political favoritism.

Beating up on an easy target accomplishes nothing. For example, those with more mouth than huevos will call for a ban on "toy guns" rather than take on a real opponent — the firearms industry. Those in charge of controlling vehicle emissions excuse millions of commercial trucks and buses saddling instead the relatively few classic car owners with rigorous inspections and smog controls.

Here, as elsewhere, lip service substitutes for real challenges and hard work. Tough decisions are not made, remedies are never administered and meaningful change doesn't occur. Only political expediency is served. And, we all pay a heavy price.

Just something to ponder the day after April Fools' Day.

(Bill Bauer is a longtime Santa Monica resident and freelance writer).

OPINION



LETTERS

LETTERS, from page 6

Still laughing

Editor:

I heard those shots ringing out from Pico 'hood (SMDP, April Fool's edition). It was the guts bursting of laughter from people reading today's edition of SMDP. I haven't read anything so funny in a while. If you continue to print such a copy with this hilarity, I see a Pulitzer in your future. Way to go, and thanks for the fun.

Hank Baylis
Santa Monica

An old fogey's historical knowledge

Editor:

In her letter to the editor (SMDP, March 30, page 6), Carmen Finestra makes some interesting points about how the City Council has mismanaged the city of Santa Monica. I can't really quibble with that.

However, I do have to take issue over a point she attempts to make by stating that "mom and pop businesses like Polly's restaurant" are driven out of business due to rising rents.

The notion that Polly's is a "mom and pop" business is just not accurate. Polly's Inc. operates 14, well, now 13, Polly's restaurants in southern California, along with 15 Kentucky Fried Chicken restaurants in the Southland. Polly's Inc. is anything but a "mom and pop" business operation. It's a large chain.

Polly's Inc. made a business decision not to pay the existing rental rate on Wilshire Blvd. But that's a business decision it made, and now another chain restaurant is poised to take over and pay the prevailing rate.

But for those of you who have forgotten, or were too young or weren't here 25 or so years ago, it was Polly's that drove out another "mom and pop" restaurant — Fat Eddies, a neighborhood hamburger joint — presumably, because it made a business decision over the prevailing rental rate. Some weren't happy, but nobody cried foul.

I guess one advantage of being an old fogey in this town is my memory, and some common sense. That, and knowing the more things change, the more they remain the same.

Saul Cohen
Santa Monica

Quit criminalizing the homeless

Editor:

I was both disgusted and saddened to read David Pissarra's column (SMDP, March 30, page 7). Mr. Pissarra argues that his unfortunate break-ins and vandalism are attributable to "the disgusting behavior of our homeless population." As an attorney, Mr. Pissarra should know not to accuse anyone unless he can back up his allegations. He suggests no evidence that a homeless person is responsible in his case. I have also been the victim of crimes in the past, including a break-in at my house. It so happens that neighborhood kids were responsible. Perhaps Mr. Pissarra should canvas his own neighbors before he heaps blame on those less fortunate in the community whose only crime may be not having a place to live. Too often the homeless are bashed for all the ills of society. We should be directing our resources to ending homelessness.

Richard Hirsch
Santa Monica

On the floor

Editor:

Wow, I love the April Fool's paper. It's the best. I'm on the floor. I can't breathe. I'm hysterical. I hope all the over-educated fools that run this wonderful city read and get enlightened.

Richard Chace
Santa Monica

Put it there! Unless your shake is a limp, wet fish



INSIDE OUT

By Amy Perritt

It's a 'pleasure' to make your acquaintance?

It's time to put an end to the limp handshake. I received another one the other day and it was very unpleasant.

Somehow I didn't recognize the signal. The woman held out her hand in a manner reserved for the Queen of England. Her palm faced the floor and her fingers dangled loosely downwards, as if she were waiting for a manicurist to rest them in a bowl of warm sudsy water. Or ... for someone to kiss it.

I should have guided her hand into the proper starting position where we could have entered into a solid, mutually-engaged grip. I should have rejected her hand altogether, and simply nodded and smiled in greeting. Either strategy would have saved me from what transpired next.

Her hand fell into my palm like a wilted leaf. Her hand felt like a piece of raw, marinated salmon waiting to be barbecued.

At that point, I was too committed to release, so to make it a quick one, I immediately guided her arm up and down,

attempting a "shake." As I did, her fingers started to slip from my hand leaving me with only one choice. I jumped forwards and brought in the reinforcement of my left.

She smiled halfheartedly. So did I.

I was puzzled. Evidently, this was not a person who would be jumping out of a plane with a parachute tied to her back anytime soon, but I needed to know. Of all of the hand-shakers to choose to be, why the "floppy-handed" one?

It's true. Handshakes can be tricky. The "pincher" hand shaker is content with grabbing your fingers, while the bones of your knuckles grind against each other, until all circulation is cut off. The "dislocation" hand shaker painfully pumps your arm up and down well beyond the standard five to seven times. And watch out for the "left-handed" shakers. They just don't get it at all.

Then there are cultural protocols to consider. Most of you will probably kiss someone on both cheeks while shaking hands in Montreal, Canada. In other cultures the handshake should be gentle then followed with your hand on your heart. Fraternities create their own handshakes and others still dare to subscribe to the old-fashioned philosophy that a man never initiates the handshake with a woman.

Nevertheless, I felt insulted. Did she curl up her hand in the fetal position and make me do all the work to avoid skin

contact? Was I contaminated?

Actually, yes. I had touched at least five communal door handles and four elevator buttons so far that day. There had to be traces of keyboard grime on my typing fingers mixed in with history of the last 10 people who had owned the money I used to buy my morning coffee and lunchtime salad bar. But my hand was a good temperature, free from open wounds and dry to the touch.

Let's face it. We all come into contact with the "warm clammy" hand every once in a while and wish there were latex between your hand and theirs. Yet, we still follow through with an unyielding grip, complemented by a cheerful facial expression, and just hope the wetness is from recent hand washing.

Couldn't she and her "floppy-hand" shaker clan not replace their limp handshake with a quick hug or pat on the back? Of course, in my case, the hug would have been too intimate, the pat on the back parent-like and degrading — however, either one far less disturbing.

I looked down at my two hands cupping her right one. We were now in the "two-handed" shake we see most often on campaign trails. I wondered. Was it a lack of handshaking experience or the absence of proper instruction? Perhaps she just didn't know that many refer to her style of handshake as the limp d--k. I had to help her.

Even after my mom taught me the correct handshake when I was a teenager, I still developed into a "bone cruncher."

"You've got quite the handshake," colleagues would say after I freed them from my clench. Then they would massage that hand with their other one.

It was only a few years ago when I received a similar handshake that I understood this was not a compliment. All I remember was the burning sensation in my fingertips followed by a throbbing.

Alas, the experience taught me that there were other ways to show that I was a serious business woman (about what I'm not sure), I knew what I was talking about (which I probably didn't) and I was happy to be there. (Maybe, dependent on whose hand I was shaking.)

I decided I'd tighten my hold on my "floppy-hand" shaker's hand. Maybe no one had ever taken the time to increase their hand pressure to coach her to do the same. Bring the "V" between your thumb and forefinger firmly into the other person's "V." Base of thumb meets base of thumb. Then gently shake maintaining eye contact.

It didn't work. Instead I felt a slight pull coming from her arm and I immediately let go. After all, I didn't want her walking away thinking I was a "never ends" hand shaker.

The limp handshake is lame and need stiffening.

CREATE SOME DIALOGUE. YOUR OPINION MATTERS!

Please send letters to: Santa Monica Daily Press
Att. Editor: 1427 Third Street Promenade Suite 202 • Santa Monica, CA 90401 • sack@smdp.com

Entertainment

Moo-yah! 'Home' is sweet place for the children

Review

BY DAN DUNN

Special to the Daily Press

A discouraging word will seldom be heard about "Home on the Range." In an age in



Ron Perlman and Selma Blair star in "Hellboy."

Review

'Hellboy' one hell of a funny boy

BY DAN DUNN

Special to the Daily Press

Writer-director Guillermo del Toro ("Blade II") relies heavily on comic-book movie conventions, but what distinguishes this film is the title character — a cigar-chomping, blue-collar, red-skinned, crime-fighting mutant played with sensational swagger by Ron Perlman of "Beauty and the Beast" fame. The movie is based on Mike Mignola's popular comic book series about a monster from Hell who enters our world through a portal opened by the Nazis in World War II, and is captured by the Americans, in whose service Hellboy battles all the things that go bump in the night.

Raised like a son by Professor Broom (John Hurt) at the top-secret headquarters of the Bureau for Paranormal Research and Defense, Hellboy is a manly man's monster. He pumps iron, listens to rock 'n' roll and digs the ladies — particularly a pretty pyro-kinetic member of BPRD's freak family named Liz (Selma Blair). And, boy, is he one hell of a crackup. Perlman's got the comedic chops of a seasoned stand-up (think Don Rickles), and his sharp sense of humor serves the film well during the extended video game-like fight sequences that might otherwise feel played out.

Since he apparently cannot die, we don't get the sense that Hellboy is ever in jeopardy. The villain, Rasputin, has come back to try and convince our hero that evil is his destiny, but Hellboy's allegiance is never really in doubt. The conspicuous lack of central conflict leaves us only to wonder whether Liz will fall for a drippy FBI agent (Rupert Evans) and break the poor devil's heart. While this lame love triangle is a drag, it cannot diminish the strength of Perlman's powerful performance.

(Rated PG-13 for sci-fi action violence and frightening images. Running time: 132 minutes)

which "children's movies" are increasingly designed to put adult butts in the seats, it's refreshing to see one that doesn't aspire to be anything other than quality entertainment for the kids. In that regard, "Home on the Range" succeeds mightily. It's a rollicking adventure set in an idyllic Wild West, where there are no guns, just a whole lot of fun.

And I never thought I'd be able to get away with saying something like this: Roseanne Barr is one very funny cow.

Barr gives voice to Maggie, a sassy show heifer who shakes things up at a sleepy dairy farm called "Patch of Heaven." At first, Maggie butts snouts with the farm's matron, a stuffy British cow named Mrs. Caloway (Judi Dench). But when a looming bank foreclosure threatens "Heaven," Maggie, Mrs. Caloway and a new age-ish cow named Grace (Jennifer Tilly) band together — with help from a cocksure stallion, Buck (Cuba Gooding Jr.) — to try and save the farm. Their plan: Capture an ornery cattle rustler named Alameda Slim (Randy Quaid) and use the reward money to pay off the farm's debt.

In addition to the impressive cast of vocal talent — Steve Buscemi and former Texas Governor Ann Richards are also on board — "Home on the Range" boasts an A-list team of animators and a fine score by eight-time Academy Award-winner Alan Menken. The film's signature tune, "A Little Patch of



A colorful cast of animated characters star in "Home on the Range."

Heaven," is an infectious number sung by k.d. lang with which, thanks to Disney radio, all you parents out there are sure to become agonizingly familiar. Sure, the narrative is somewhat limited compared to, say, "Finding Nemo," and the requisite moralizing feels

warmed-over, but there are enough cow bells, cattle whistles and yee-hawing high jinks to keep the kids captivated.

(Rated PG for brief mild rude humor. Running time: 76 minutes)

Roseanne's got a beef with Bush and co.

BY DAN DUNN

Special to the Daily Press

(Roseanne Barr provides the voice of Maggie the cow in Disney's animated feature "Home on the Range." Film critic Dan Dunn met Barr in Century City for what turned out to be a pretty animated conversation with the notoriously outspoken star.)

QUESTION: Where does giving voice to an animated cow rank among your list of credits?

ROSEANNE BARR: I like to say that being a voice in a Disney movie is the most awesome aspect of this experience. It's Disney, and it'll be around forever, and it's for kids. So I guess I've done it all now.

Q: After some success doing stand-up in Denver, you came to L.A. and within a week secured a gig on "The Tonight Show." A year later, you had your own hit sitcom. What was it like becoming an overnight sensation?

RB: It was a mindblower. It totally caught me off guard, and it never stopped. Buckle up, get on the rollercoaster and here we are — still going.

Q: Back when you were performing in small clubs in the Rockies, did you ever imagine you'd become such a huge star?

RB: Yeah, I saw it. It was all laid out in my mind's eye, you know, what could happen. And I saw what it was going to take to get there, and asked for lots of advice from the right people, and I did it.

Q: You're doing stand-up again. Do you find the comedy comes from a much different place than it did back in the early days?

RB: It totally does. I'm old. I'm a grandma now, so the perspective has changed. But I still have that burning desire to say something, and to say it my way.



Roseanne Barr

Q: Do you see that same passion in many of today's young comedians?

RB: A lot of them are clearly doing whatever it is they think they need to do to get a sitcom. But there are a few of them out there who really are standing up and saying some good stuff. It makes you feel like, man, it's the '60s all over again. I think that's a product of having someone like (President) Bush in office. It unites people to go against him.

Q: So I take it you're not a George Bush supporter?

RB: Man, I hope he loses. It's like they get off on rubbing people's faces in the fact that there are no jobs and that they're going to do whatever they want to do.

Q: How are audiences responding to the anti-Bush material in your set?

RB: They're too mellow. I mean, I'm talking about the end of the world. I hear (Bush) talking and it seems like the end of the world

is coming. But a lot of people, it's like they're hearing something totally different. I think everyone's on drugs. We're just a drugged-up society. The war on drugs is a joke — it's being waged against poor people on street drugs by rich people on prescription drugs.

Q: Is there a solution? Can we sober up?

RB: I dunno, and I don't know if people care. It's like, hey, the world's a big freakin' accident waiting to happen, and I'm cutting back on carbs. So there's one positive if the world blows up — the end of the diet industry.

Q: Seriously, though, do you have hope for the future?

RB: I do, I guess. I'm an idiot. We can fix anything if we put our minds to it. And what the hell does any of this have to do with the cartoon I'm in? Are you going to ask me anything about the movie?

Q: Well, you play a cow. Do you eat meat?

RB: I love animals ... because they're so tasty.

Q: When you see Maggie up there on the screen, do you recognize any of your mannerisms?

RB: Oh, yeah. They filmed us, then they used that as a reference when they drew the characters. So she curls her lip and sort of sneers like I do when I deliver a punchline. She cocks her head like I do, too. I mean, they really got it down.

Q: Who were your biggest supporters?

RB: Louie Anderson played a big role. So did Sam Kinison. Mitzi Shore, mostly, at the Comedy Store. And, of course, Rodney Dangerfield helped all of us. I saw a rerun of this old Dangerfield young comedians special that we were all on. It was me, Kinison, Seinfeld and, I think, Tim Allen. It was really something back then — Rodney just did so much for us.

ENTERTAINMENT



Rock sticks it to the bad guys

Review

BY DAN DUNN

Special to the Daily Press

What The Rock is cookin' smells like a box office winner. Though purportedly based on actual events, "Walking Tall" — a remake of a 1973 film that starred Joe Don Baker — is about as believable a yarn as the one about the dog who ate the homework. What the film lacks in plausibility, however, it more than makes up for with pure adrenaline. Watching The Rock relentlessly pound the stuffing out of the bad guys will no doubt help moviegoers vicariously mitigate their own concession stand price-related anger. As the special forces stud who takes on a town full of crooks, the former pro wrestling champ serves notice that he is Hollywood's biggest action hero. If he keeps it up, he might someday be governor of California.

After a seven-year stint in the military, Chris Vaughn (The Rock) has returned home to his rustic hometown in the Pacific Northwest to discover that the place has fallen apart. His high school rival, Jay Hamilton (Neal McDonough), has shut down the old mill and is running an illegal drug ring out of a casino. After taking a serious beating at the hands of Hamilton's thugs, Vaughn decides to run for sheriff and clean up the town. With his childhood pal Ray (Johnny Knoxville) as his only deputy, Vaughn dispenses justice with a vengeance, leading — of course — to the ultimate showdown with his arch-nemesis.

Okay, so he's not Laurence Olivier, but



The Rock stars in "Walking Tall."

The Rock certainly acquires himself well as the town's pumped-up savior. The guy's got personality — screen presence — and his comedic timing is precise. He imbues Vaughn with enough old-fashioned American probity to cover up his lack of emotional availability. Then again, who needs emotion when you've got all that muscle mass. Pairing The Rock with Johnny Knoxville was a stroke of casting genius. The former MTV star is one entertaining jackass.

(Rated PG-13 for sequences of intense violence, sexual content, drug material and language. Running time: 86 minutes)

'Dogville' delivers dim view of U.S.

Review

BY DAN DUNN

Special to the Daily Press

For a guy who's never been here, maverick filmmaker Lars von Trier sure does have lots of insights about the United States ... and most of them aren't very flattering. Inspired by the Bertolt Brecht-penned tune "Pirate Jenny" — about a persecuted servant-girl who exacts revenge on her tormentors — "Dogville" is a three-plus-hour misanthropic assault on what von Trier presumes to be the myth of American goodness. But it's not enough to say "Dogville" is merely anti-American, it's essentially anti-human. The title relates to the film's central thesis: That people are narrow-minded, bloodthirsty animals, no better — perhaps worse — than dogs. Sound brutal? Well, it is.

But "Dogville" is also a film that, after a rather tedious first hour, grabs you by the collar and shakes you into cognizance. Whether von Trier's anti-capitalist sentiment and lack of faith in humanity resonates depends largely upon what the viewer brings to the table, but the film is undeniably engaging on several levels, even as the cinematic techniques the director employs leave us feeling oddly detached as the story unfolds.

The film was shot on a hand-held digital camera entirely on a large soundstage in Copenhagen, Denmark, with invisible houses, bushes, even the town's pooch marked only by painted white lines. Color is washed-out, with no walls to conceal them the townsfolk are hemmed in together in an eerie, claustrophobic fashion. With its disjointed dialogue and curious commingling of the real and imagined, "Dogville" plays like filmed theater of the absurd — something you'd expect to see on public television, rather than at the multiplex.



Nicole Kidman stars in "Dogville."

When the movie premiered last year at Cannes, von Trier rejected comparisons to "Our Town," but many will, no doubt, find similarities between the ramshackle Depression-era mining town that is Dogville and Thornton Wilder's sad, rustic community. But Grover's Corners never knew the kind of iniquity that befalls Grace (a magnificent Nicole Kidman), a beautiful fugitive on the run from mobsters who is given refuge by the citizens of Dogville in exchange for giving of herself in ways that grow increasingly onerous.

What the dishonorable denizens of Dogville don't know, however, is that Grace has a dangerous secret — one that comes to light during a horrific reckoning in the film's finale. In addition to Kidman's award-caliber work, there are several superb performances here, most notably from Patricia Clarkson, Paul Bettany and Stellan Skarsgard.

(Rated R for violence and sexual content. Running time: 177 minutes)



**"Get A Life ...
A Nightlife, That Is"**

BY THOMAS YOUNG & MAUREEN TOBIN
Special to the Daily Press



Review

THAI NEW YEAR — 2547

It is 2004 in Santa Monica, but in Thailand it is 2546.

Consider yourself privileged to live in the Los Angeles area, where many exotic, unique cultures merge with things decidedly American. A wonderful way to get a unique education is to immerse yourself in the customs, ways and traditions of other peoples and places.

Everyone should partake in the stimulating Thai New Year — Songkran Festival — also known as the "Water Festival." On Sunday in "Thai Town," Hollywood Blvd. will be closed between Western to Normandie avenues to celebrate this most exciting of festivals, attended by Isinthon Sornvai — Consul-General, Royal Thai Consulate of L.A. — and Ubolratana — Her Highness, the Princess of Thailand. This event is free and open to the public. There will be a parade, booths, food, games, exhibitions, ceremonies — everything for a perfect day. Bring yourself, bring the family, bring your friends and seek out other ways of life and ethnicities. Much of the Thai culture revolves around Buddhism, the fourth-largest religion in the world.

According to Albert Einstein, "Buddhism has the characteristics of what would be expected in a cosmic religion for the future: It transcends a personal God, avoids dogmas and theology; it covers both the natural and spiritual; and it is based on a religious sense aspiring from the experience of all things — natural and spiritual — as a meaningful unity."

The Songkran Festival is a time of great merrymaking and Thailand's most sanuk (fun-filled) festival, celebrated with marvelous gusto once a year to mark the Thai New Year. Songkran derives from an old Sanskrit word meaning "Beginning of the Solar Year." It is variously referred to as the "Beginning of the Lunar Year," "The Start of the Returns of the Rains," and, of course, "Thai New Year." Songkran is a time for thanksgiving and gratitude, an important time for people to reflect on the acts of kindness, thoughtfulness, generosity and compassion from other people and how such acts bring about peace, happiness and a general well being. Songkran is also a time for family reunions.

The significance of the Songkran Festival, or the Festival of Water, is a time of cleansing and purification, a kind of riddance of all bad luck that has befallen one during the year, a time to start anew. Songkran Festival is legendary for its water-throwing, ranging from just splashing anyone and everyone with water guns and sprays to showering people with water hoses and buckets, all delivered with good spirits, of course. Everyone gets watered at this time, so expect to get a little wet at the festival.

Plan to spend the whole day at this festival. If you're there at 8 a.m., you will be just in time for prayers by Buddhist Monks who'll receive alms along Hollywood Blvd. Then, find a good viewing position as the Songkran Cultural Parade starts around 10 a.m. About noon, the Songkran Festival Opening Ceremony will officially begin. Take a journey into a new cultural experience with three stages of entertainment, 166 booths and activities for all ages. During this time, about 60 Thai restaurants will be preparing time-honored delicacies guaranteed to make your mouth water and your stomach growl with anticipation.

Did we mention entertainment? All around you there will be traditional dancers and singers, costume contests with a variety of cultural workshops and folk art. View Thai

kickboxing or get a Thai massage. You may need one after a day of walking and eating. There will also be health care booths and an array of activities for children. Don't forget to take home some handicrafts from local artists and souvenirs aplenty.

Drum roll, please. At 12:30 p.m. and 2:30 p.m., join chefs Tommy Tang and Jet Tila as they attempt to make it into the Guinness Book of World Records by cooking the World's Largest Pad Thai noodles dish. They expect to make a 150- to 200-pound batch.

Treat yourself to this dramatic, eye-catching festival. At the end of the day, you will have a new perspective of the Thai people in Los Angeles. For more information, call 800-921-2597 or visit www.thainewyear.com

We interviewed Jet Tila, a well-known Thai chef who has written a couple books on Thai cooking. Jet told us, although there have been many smaller Los Angeles Thai events, this is the first time all the groups have come together for a large Thai New Year's festival, which they plan to have yearly.

"Thailand celebrates the fact that it is one of the few countries that has never been colonized or occupied by a foreign power. This autonomy has helped shape the food, culture and religion into what it is," said Tila. "Bangkok, capital city of Thailand, translates to 'Great city of Angels,' just like Los Angeles is the 'City of Angels.' Los Angeles has the largest Thai population outside of Thailand.

We wondered if there was a Thai national dish. Jet informed us: "Although there is no actual national food dish, Thailand has adopted the widely liked Pad Thai. Pad Thai in Thailand doesn't have the unusual and wonderful orange hue it does here. In Thailand, Siracha is used to slightly color the Pad Thai and add heat. When Pad Thai immigrated to the U.S., paprika was used to give it its color."

Chef Jet Tila's Pad Thai

Active Work time is 20 minutes. Total preparation time is 40 minutes.

2 tbsp. Tiparos Fish sauce	3-4 cup BKM Chantaboon Rice stick
1 1/2 tbsp. Bottled tamarind paste	1/4 cup Sliced baked tofu
2 tbsp. Lime juice	3/4 cup (1-inch lengths) chicken
1 1/4 tsp. Vinegar	2 Eggs
2 tbsp. Sugar	8 Shrimp, peeled and cleaned
2 tbsp. Oil	2 tbsp. Paprika
3 to 4 Garlic cloves, crushed	1/2 cup Green onions, cut into 2-inch strips
1 1/4 tbsp. Packaged salted turnip	1/2 cup Chopped dry-roasted unsalted peanuts
3/4 cup Dried shrimp	1-cup Bean sprouts

Soak noodles in water to cover 1 hour. Drain well before using.

Stir together fish sauce, tamarind paste, lime juice, vinegar and sugar. Set aside.

Heat wok over high heat. Add oil and coat pan completely. When pan starts to smoke, add garlic and stir 5 seconds. Add turnip, dried shrimp and tofu and stir-fry until they begin to soften, 3 to 4 minutes. Add chicken pieces and stir-fry until no longer pink, 1 to 2 minutes. Push ingredients in wok to side and let oil settle in center of pan. Crack eggs into pan, making sure to break yolks. Lightly scramble until half-cooked, about 30 seconds. Combine with remaining cooked ingredients in pan.

Add shrimp and cook until chicken and shrimp are medium done, about 1 minute. Add 3 cups drained noodles and cook 15 seconds. Add reserved sauce mixture and paprika and fold together until paprika evenly colors noodles and all liquid is absorbed, about 2 minutes. Place green onions in center of noodles, then spoon some noodles over green onions to cover and let steam 30 seconds. Stir in 3 tablespoons peanuts. Transfer to serving plate and garnish with bean sprouts and remaining peanuts.

NATIONAL

Case against former Qwest executives wrapped up

BY JON SANCHE

Associated Press Writer

DENVER — The government wrapped up its fraud case against four former Qwest executives Thursday, saying they improperly booked nearly \$34 million in 2001 revenue in a scheme concocted to deceive auditors and the FBI.

With relatives of the defendants looking on, Assistant U.S. Attorney William Taylor detailed documents for the jury that he said were purposely designed to accomplish a financial conspiracy.

"It was concocted for the corporate accountants, constructed to fool the auditors and constructed to fool the FBI," Taylor said. He said the defendants were motivated by the potential of substantial bonuses and by the "cultural imperative" at Qwest to meet revenue targets.

Grant Graham, Thomas Hall, Bryan Treadway and John Walker are accused of booking the revenue as part of a \$100 million deal to link Arizona's public schools to the Internet. Prosecutors say they tried

to book the revenue for equipment that wasn't purchased yet and then lied to auditors and regulators about it.

The defendants listened to the prosecution's closing argument largely without expression, though Walker shook his head at times as Taylor outlined the government's accusations. Behind them sat wives and friends who have been a steady presence in the courtroom throughout the seven-week trial.

Each defendant faces 11 charges, including fraud and conspiracy, and could spend years in prison if convicted.

Walker's attorney, Stephen Peters, delivered the first closing argument from the defense. He accused the FBI of building the government's case by relying on Qwest's own investigation — one he said didn't cover important facts.

In interviews with company attorneys, Walker was never asked about personal matters that had distracted him from his work, Peters said.

"What really is wrong with this case is

that the finest investigative agency in the world, the FBI, was thrown completely off course by the content and character of these interviews," Peters said.

He said that throughout the interviews, Walker was consistent: He believed the deal was legitimate.

The trial is the first stemming from investigations that prompted former Qwest chief executive Joseph Nacchio to quit in 2002 and ultimately led the company to remove \$2.5 billion in revenue from its books.

Defense attorneys have said the four

men were either not fully informed or did not fully understand the accounting principles in the deal and that they believed it was legitimate.

Prosecutors scoffed at that claim.

During the trial, Philip Geiger, former chairman of the Arizona School Facilities Board, testified that Qwest officials pressured him to buy equipment earlier than he considered necessary. Taylor said that after the deal closed, some of the defendants changed documents Geiger had signed to try to convince auditors the deal complied with accounting rules.

Senate Judiciary approves Myers for 9th Circuit seat

BY ERICA WERNER

Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON — An Idaho lawyer nominated to the federal appeals court won narrow approval Thursday from the Senate Judiciary Committee despite fierce opposition from environmentalists.

The committee voted 10-9 along party lines in favor of President Bush's nomination of William G. Myers III to the 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals. The party-line vote likely means that Democrats will attempt to make him the seventh Bush judicial nominee to be blocked in the full Senate.

Democrats cited Myers' opposition to environmental protections while Interior Department solicitor from 2001-2003 and as a private lawyer and lobbyist for cattle and mining interests.

Sen. Dianne Feinstein, D-Calif., said she was disturbed by his "extreme" comments, including when he wrote that environmental groups are "mountain biking to the courthouse as never before, bent on stopping human activity wherever it may promote health, safety and welfare."

Myers acknowledged during his confir-

mation hearing of sometimes using a "poor choice of words." He didn't immediately return a message for comment Thursday.

Committee Republicans supported him, saying he is highly qualified, has bipartisan backing and would bring needed balance to the 9th Circuit, viewed as the nation's most liberal federal appeals court.

"I do believe that Bill Myers' judicial philosophy places him firmly in the mainstream of American jurisprudence," said Sen. Larry Craig, R-Idaho.

The 9th Circuit, based in San Francisco, oversees nine Western states and decides many environmental cases.

The Senate has approved more than 170 of Bush's judicial nominations, but Democrats have used the threat of filibusters to block Bush's appeals court nominations of Mississippi Judge Charles Pickering, Alabama Attorney General William Pryor, Texas Judge Priscilla Owen, Hispanic lawyer Miguel Estrada and California Judges Carolyn Kuhl and Janice Rogers Brown.

Estrada withdrew his nomination in September and Bush gave temporary appointments to Pickering and Pryor.

Reverse Mortgages for Senior Homeowners*

- Refinance your home with no loan repayment for as long as you live there.
- Receive the loan proceeds in a lump sum, monthly installments or as a line of credit.

Marc Owens

Reverse Mortgage Consultant

1-888-248-5473 Toll-Free



* Must be at least 62 years old. Call for more detailed program information. Wells Fargo Home Mortgage, Inc. originates mortgage loans in New Hampshire under License No.5757 MB for first mortgages and License No.5768 MHL for second mortgage and is a New Jersey Department of Banking Licensed Mortgage Banker. ©2003 Wells Fargo Home Mortgage, Inc. All Rights reserved.

PASSENGERS WANTED

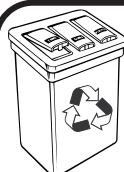
EXPRESS TAXI

SAVE MONEY!
IT'S AS EASY AS...Off Any Fare
of \$6.00 or more.Off Any Fare
of \$10.00 or more.Off Any Fare
of \$16.00 or more.

FOR FAST PICKUP CALL:

310-828-3333
WWW.PASSENGERSWANTED.NET

\$20 FLAT FEE TO LAX
\$50 FLAT FEE TO LONG BEACH
with ad only



RECYCLE NOW!

WE PAY THE BEST RATES!

Aluminum ♻ Plastic ♻ Glass ♻ Bi-Metal ♻ Cardboard
White/Color/Computer Paper ♻ Copper & Brass ♻ Newspaper

Santa Monica Recycling Center
2411 Delaware Avenue • (310) 453-9677



BOB GABRIEL INSURANCE

Providing Professional & Personalized Service Since 1936



- Auto Experts
- Life, Disability & Pension
- Homeowners
- Commercial & Business
- Workers Compensation
- Group & Individual Health

Representing "A" rated companies
including MERCURY INSURANCE

California survey shows Mercury Insurance Auto
rates to be the most competitive in this area.

Phone Quotes Available

We encourage you to visit the Santa
Monica Historical Society Museum —
The Archives of Santa Monica.
1539 Euclid (310) 395-2290

310.829.0305
2325 Wilshire Blvd., Santa Monica

MoldUSA
The Mold Removal Specialists.
"We send your mold packing!"



Suffering from unexplained coughing,
sneezing or headaches? You may be a
victim of TOXIC mold. Call us!!!

310 823 MOLD

LIC# 810886

4333 Admiralty Way 2nd Floor, East Tower South MDR, CA
www.moldusa.com resnick@moldusa.com



WORLD BRIEFLY

Officials: al-Qaida linked to attacks

By The Associated Press

TASHKENT, Uzbekistan — This week's outbreak of violence in Uzbekistan is linked to al-Qaida, a top anti-terror official said Thursday — the first time the Uzbek government has directly linked the attacks to the terror network headed by Osama bin Laden.

Ilya Pyagay, Interior Ministry deputy anti-terrorism chief, said operations were continuing to capture and uncover suspected terrorists. At least 43 people have died this week in a series of suicide bombings and police shootouts.

"These are Wahhabis who belong to one of the branches of the international al-Qaida terror group," said Ilya Pyagay, Interior Ministry deputy anti-terrorism chief, referring to the strict strain of Islam in which bin Laden was raised. "These are bandits who planned these attacks long in advance"

Pyagay said officials were also seeking to determine if the 20 alleged terrorists they said died in a stand-off Tuesday were Uzbek citizens or not. He said many had been carrying false passports.

After the wave of violence began Sunday, Uzbek officials initially pointed to the extremist Islamic group Hizb ut-Tahrir, which has been firmly suppressed in the country. But the group denied involvement and it has no known links to terrorist violence.

Sharon: Israel must pull out for peace

By The Associated Press

JERUSALEM — Ahead of talks with U.S. envoys, Prime Minister Ariel Sharon said Israel must unilaterally pull out of areas that it will clearly not control in the framework of a final peace accord.

In the West Bank town of Bethlehem early Thursday, a shootout erupted at a mental hospital when soldiers

and Palestinian militants holed up in the building traded fire, the army said. The troops later arrested 12 wanted Palestinians among the militants.

Sharon defended his plan Wednesday in a speech in Tel Aviv, saying there is no Palestinian partner for peace negotiations, and so Israel had to take its own action.

Sharon, who was to meet with the U.S. envoys later Thursday, has proposed pulling Israeli soldiers and settlers out of all or most of the Gaza Strip and dismantling a few settlements in the West Bank as unilateral measures if peace talks remain frozen.

Israel must draw its own security line, which would mean "withdrawal from areas which it is understood will not be under Israeli control in any permanent agreement to be signed in the future, which cause great friction between Israelis and Palestinians — the Gaza Strip, for example," he said.

Kerry stirred, not shaking

By The Associated Press

BOSTON — Democratic presidential candidate John Kerry was recovering off the campaign trail Thursday after minor shoulder surgery that his doctor described as free of complication.

The four-term Massachusetts senator underwent the 45-minute procedure Wednesday to repair tendons in his right shoulder and bicep. Dr. Bertram Zarins, chief of sports medicine at Massachusetts General Hospital, said Kerry would be in pain for a few days and probably need an ice pack and narcotic painkillers.

Kerry had no public schedule for the rest of the week.

Zarins said the presumed Democratic nominee was smiling and talking shortly after coming out of surgery.

The doctor also said Kerry would have to forgo temporarily the most time-honored tradition in politics: shaking hands.

New York up and running ... for now

By The Associated Press

ALBANY, N.Y. — New York state begins its 20th straight year without an on-time budget Thursday, a record of futility unmatched in the nation.

To the dismay of New Yorkers, there's plenty of finger-pointing, angry accusations and some weakly offered excuses but no progress and seemingly no stomach for change. Lawmakers were to observe the dubious milestone by leaving the Capitol on Thursday for a 12-day spring break.

Republican Gov. George Pataki, who offered up a \$100 billion budget plan in January, said state Assembly Speaker Sheldon Silver, a Democrat, simply wouldn't negotiate. Silver pinned the blame on Pataki.

"It is late and it's not my fault," chimed in Senate Majority Leader Joseph Bruno, a Republican.

The governor on Monday sent the Legislature emergency appropriation bills to keep state government operating until at least April 18 without a new budget. The Legislature is expected to approve the measures, worth more than \$9 billion, before it breaks Thursday.

Collegiate kidnap victim 'alive and well'

By The Associated Press

MADISON, Wis. — Audrey Seiler's parents were always confident that the University of Wisconsin student would be found after her baffling disappearance from her off-campus apartment last weekend.

The 20-year-old sophomore was located alive and healthy Wednesday in a marsh near campus, four days after she vanished with no coat or purse.

Police said Wednesday night that Seiler had been abducted at knifepoint, but that the abductor had not been found. Officer Shannon Blackamore said Seiler did not know the abductor. He also said there was an indication or threat of a gun, though Seiler never saw the weapon.

"Audrey reports she was not free to leave and was not injured," Blackamore said. Assistant Police Chief Noble Wray declined to answer questions about how Seiler got free.

If you have a business dispute of any kind call



1-800-233-8521
FOR A FREE CONSULTATION



**EASTON GYM
SANTA MONICA**

1233 Third Street Promenade
310-395-4441

Easton Gym is your neighborhood gym.

COMPLETE FITNESS FACILITY • FREE PARKING

**AA OLYMPIC
Self Storage**

Serving Santa Monica and West L.A.

**2 Months FREE Rent
+ FREE Lock**
Call for details



OPEN 7 DAYS

**Call About
FREE Truck
Rental Plan**



(310)829-2525

3250 OLYMPIC BLVD. • www.selfstorage.net/aaolympic

COMICS

The Dinette Set by Julie Larson



edge *by KERRY & PATSY LARSON*

Natural Selection® By Russ Wallace



Reality Check® By Dave Whammond



Speed Bump® By Dave Coverly



CROSSWORD By THOMAS JOSEPH

ACROSS

- 1 Swag-geng
- 6 Fancy tie
- 11 Make up lines
- 12 "Atlantic City" director
- 13 Lasso loop
- 14 Eggs on
- 15 Fitting
- 16 Worry
- 18 Ulmost
- 19 Musical ability
- 20 "You there!"
- 21 Not in port
- 23 Trail carriers
- 25 Leb. neighbor
- 27 Distress signal
- 28 Cut off
- 30 Hone
- 33 Masseur's place
- 34 Shell game need
- 36 Ring legend
- 37 Big house
- 39 Chess piece
- 40 Debate
- 41 Easy two-pointer
- 43 Take the wheel

44

- Dancer Castle
- 45 Hinds' mates
- 46 Gave a hoot

DOWN

- 1 Tomorrow, in Tijuana
- 2 Takes on
- 3 Closet item
- 4 Towel term
- 5 Past plump
- 6 Current measure
- 7 Mystery writer
- 8 Laundry room item
- 9 Nostalgic songs
- 10 Irritable
- 17 Funny fellow
- 22 Seaman's answer
- 24 At present
- 26 Some swords
- 28 Athens rival
- 29 Old auto
- 31 Galahad's mother
- 32 Like
- 33 Big hit
- 35 Escapade
- 38 Cooking fat
- 42 1040 entry

B	R	A	N		P	A	P	A	W
R	I	L	E		M	E	N	A	C
A	T	O	M		A	N	G	L	E
D	A	T	E		L	I	N	E	
					S	I	D	E	L
S	T	A	I	N	S		D	I	D
W	A	I	S	T		L	E	O	N
A	R	M			W	A	Y	L	O
B	A	S	C	I	L	I	N	E	
H	I	P	H	O	P		A	S	E
A	T	H	E	N	S		S	L	A
T	A	I	L	S		H	E	R	S

Yesterday's answer

NEW CROSSWORD BOOK! Send \$4.50 (check or m/c) to Thomas Joseph, Box 1, P.O. Box 536175, Chicago, IL 60653-6175

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11									
13									
15									
17									
19									
21									
23									
25									
27									
29									
31									
33									
35									
37									
39									
41									
43									
45									

4-2

IS YOUR RETIREMENT PLAN AGING GRACEFULLY? WE LIVE WHERE YOU LIVE.®



Keep your money hard at work, with 401(k) rollovers, TSAs, annuities and more. Call me to get started today.

Troy Wilson Lic.#: 0D75687
2451 Santa Monica Blvd.
Santa Monica, CA
310.315.1955

LIKE A GOOD NEIGHBOR



STATE FARM IS THERE.®

Providing Insurance and Financial Services • statefarm.com®

State Farm Life Insurance Company, in NY and WI - State Farm Life and Accident Assurance Company, Bloomington, IL. Annuities and other products offered by State Farm affiliates are not FDIC insured, not guaranteed by State Farm Bank, and are subject to investment risk, including possible loss of principal. Consult your tax or legal advisor for specific advice.

Chiropactic & Accupuncture



Victoria D. Lucas
D.C., LAc, QME

Vita Wellness

MAXIMUM FAMILY CARE IN ONE LOCATION

310-449-1222

2222 Santa Monica Blvd., Ste. 203 • Santa Monica, CA 90404

COPIA CREATIVE

P.O. Box 777, Santa Monica, CA, 90406
info@copiacreative.com
310-8-Copia-C (826-7422)
www.copiacreative.com



Where creativity knows no boundaries...
Where imagination has no limits...
Where innovation and integrity go hand in hand...
Where intelligent marketing strategy and compelling concepts...
...Thrive

Specializing in:
Brand Identity • Marketing Strategy • Web Development •
Print and On-Air graphics and design • Product Packaging

\$3⁵⁰ per day. Up to 15 words, 20 cents each additional word.

Call 310-458-7737 and promote your business opportunities to our daily readership of over 15,000.

CLASSIFICATIONS:

Announcements
Creative
Employment
For Sale
Furniture
Pets
Boats

Jewelry
Wanted
Travel
Vacation Rentals
Apartments/Condos Rent
Houses for Rent
Roomates
Commerical Lease

Real Estate
Real Estate Loans
Storage Space
Vehicles for Sale
Massage
Services
Computer Services
Attorney Services

Business Opportunities
Yard Sales
Health and Beauty
Fitness
Wealth and Success
Lost and Found
Personals
Obituaries

Employment

\$3 - 5K per week income potential work from home, NOT MLM. (800)570-3782 Ext. 4020.

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT for S.M. Real Estate Law Firm. Strong computer, phone, & organizational skills. Quickbooks experience a plus! \$12/hr+benefits, fax resume 310-883-2917

BEAUTY STYLISTS for Fantastic Sam's in Santa Monica. Guarantee 9hr and up. 310-890-1222

BLUE SKY Service Agency Elderly Care & Home cleaning service seeking Caregivers & Housekeepers. Please contact Madeline 323-655-4009

Circulation Manager
The Daily Press is interviewing for a Circulation Manager. Must have reliable transportation, a clean driving record and proof of insurance. Flexible early mornings (1am to 8am), six days a week. Ex-military types preferred. Excellent pay. Call 310-458-7737x 104

CUSTOMER SERVICE/
Microsoft Office Experience
Excellent Phone Skills
\$10-15/hr Fax resume
(310)998-5690

F/T FRONT Office. Internist in Pacific Palisades, back office exp. preferred. Must be reliable & detail oriented, contact Angela 310-454-3020

Employment

FULL COMM. Inside Sales S.M. PT/FT Selling radio interview campaign. Comm=\$1,000 per/sale 818-905-8038x55

HARARI IS looking for an experienced salesperson F/T. Fax resume to 310-260-1273 or call for interview, 310-260-1204

MSGI

Help make the world a better place and earn extra cash as a Tele Fundraiser. Raise money for the Democratic National Committee, PBS Radio and TV Stations, Symphonies, Operas and Theatres. Work for MSGI!!

Now is your chance to join a dynamic fund raising organization that offers employees flexible schedules, paid training, and an hourly salary plus bonuses. Start to make a difference today by calling Danni at 310-760-0770 ext. 400 or email us at submissions@sdatel.com.

MANAGER TRAINEE Career Opportunity. Sales exp. reqd. Growing self-storage Co. in Santa Monica 310-829-4109

Nanny wanted, 25-30 hours/wk experienced, loving. Must have references & transportation. Family 310-922-7367

NATIONAL TOUR Company Near LAX is expanding their Sales Department!! Flexible 30-hr/week, Work P/T & Earn F/T Income. Base+ Commission+Paid Training. No cold calling. Call Aaron at 1-800-421-6890 x555. See our website: goymt.com

OFFICE WORK. Good communication skills, FT/PT, \$10/hr & up. Please fax resume to 310-395-8108.

Employment

PRIDE OF S.M. Senior Building needs F/T experienced assist Team. Salary+Appt+Benefits Fax resume 310-393-4282

PT/FT WORK ON Food cart, Venice Beach Boardwalk, good pay, fun job. Call (310)409-5155.

RECEPTIONIST More than just meeting and greeting, successful candidate will have a minimum of one year experience with MS Word & Excel, good telephone and communication skills and enthusiasm. Front office, Full time position with parking and benefits, at busy shopping center Management office. Qualified applicants should e-mail resume and cover letter to: char_bossel@macerich.com or fax both to (310)451-9939 No phone calls please.

SANTA MONICA Restaurant seeks servers w/experience & restaurant helpers. Work dinner shift, 310-396-4039

SPECIAL APARTMENT Manager Opportunity For Mature Experienced individual or couple. MUST HAVE: Building maintenance & repair experience, will be liaison between management Co. & occupants. Good people skills a must, requires Full-time commitment for care of 42 Elegant units in Exclusive Westside locations. Beautiful one bedroom & salary. 310-826-7960

WORK P/T No experience needed, evenings, \$8/hr, flexible schedule. Call (888)263-9886.

For Sale

HOT TUB 2004 Model. Neck jets. Therapy Seat. Warranty, never used. Can deliver worth \$5700, sell for \$1750 818-785-9043

Baby Stuff

COLLEGE STUDENT looking for P/T Nanny/Personal Assistant in exchange for room/board Great references! Rachel 310-989-8608

FULL-TIME NANNY available for summer. Fun, creative, energetic, light housework, loves kids. 206-617-4940

Furniture

FURNITURE FOR Sale. Dining room set, table w/six chairs, buffet/hutch, \$1200, Kenmore side-by-side refrigerator, ice/water in door 2yrs old, \$500 Firm. Steel & glass computer table, \$120, file cabinet to match \$100 & steel futon w/2 covers & 2 pillows to match \$100. 310-207-9873 or 310-600-3436

Vehicles for sale

VOLVO GL SEDAN \$1450 Clean, dependable, well maintained 1985 Silver Volvo. Power everything. New brakes and steering system. 177K miles but ready for 177K more. Call Seth @310-314-7395

Vehicles for sale**WE NEED YOUR TRADE!**

'01 Ford F150

V6, automatic, P/W, P/C, (ID#A29098)

WE NEED YOUR TRADE!

'96 Ford Taurus

Auto, CD, P/W, P/C, Low Miles (ID#160363)

'99 Dodge Quad Cab

Pick Up, Oversize Tires & Wheels, Auto, A/C, Sharp (ID#610134)

'99 Ford Explorer

Red, A/C, Leather (ID#71978)

'02 Ford Explorer XLT

V8, Leather, Loaded, Black MANAGER SPECIAL (ID#A61068)

BRING US YOUR TRADE-INS

PLUS TAX, LICENSE & DOCUMENT FEE ON ALL VEHICLES

1230 Santa Monica Blvd.
310-451-1588

Vehicles for sale**LOOK**

LEXUS/VOLKSWAGEN OF SANTA MONICA PRE-OWNED CENTER



OVERSTOCKED
You the public can benefit. Make any reasonable offer and you can drive away in a certified preown Lexus, VW or other makes.

2000 PASSAT GLX

4-Door Sedan, Automatic
A/C, Moon Roof, Leather
(226595)

2003 LEXUS ES 300

4-Door Sedan, Low Miles,
Moon Roof (117527)

1100 Santa Monica Blvd
(310) 319-1661
LacarGUY.com

Vehicles for sale**Claude Short Auto Sales Dealer**

'94 JAGUAR XJ6

VIN 687617 Pristine cond.
6 disc changer wire wheels
\$8,995

'97 BMW 328i

convertible VIN T98113 Super clean low miles \$18,000

'98 DODGE GRAND CARAVAN LE

VIN 530531 \$9000

'98 DODGE NEON

Low Miles VIN 640904 \$4,995

'01 GEM ELECTRIC CAR

Street Legal VIN 014692
\$5,995

'02 FORD THINK ELECTRIC CAR

Street Legal VIN 105861
\$5,995

2501 Lincoln Blvd. in Venice
(310) 395-3712

YOUR AD HERE**ADVERTISE!!!**

Santa Monica Daily Press Classifieds

310.458.7737
Ask for Mitch

Vehicles for sale

'00 Hyundai Sonata
44K Miles. Loaded.
Vin#265094 \$7,495

'98 Volvo Wgn
Cross Country,
Carfax approved
Vin#489241 \$12,995

'99 Mitz Galant GTZ
Low Miles, Must See!
Vin#114961 \$9,495

'01 Kia Spectra GSX
Auto, CD, Alloys
Great First Car
Vin#016399 \$6,495

'99 GMC Yukon SLE
4X4, Low Miles
Vin#483440 \$14,995

'98 Celica GT Conv.
Autotrans. Loaded.
Black on black.
Vin#048028 \$10,495

'98 Volvo S70 T5 Sedan
White w/tan leather int.
Low Miles. Loaded.
Vin#434358 \$11,995

'98 Ford Mustang
Convertible, AM/FM/CD,
Low Mi., Way Cool Car!
Vin#172985 \$7,995

Sales/Excellent Service Dept.

11267 Venice Blvd., L.A. (between Sepulveda & Sawtelle)

www.grandprixsales.com

310-397-2121

Serving Your Family for 21 Years

LBMG

Local Boy Makes Good

For Rent**ENJOY LIFE ON THE 3RD STREET PROMENADE**
GREAT LIVE/WORK SPACE

Criterion Apartments



302 Arizona Avenue, Santa Monica

Walk to the Beach ♦ Pedestrian Lifestyle ♦ Beautiful Studio Apts. from \$1,100 per month

310-394-9833



METROPOLITAN PACIFIC

*One year lease minimum term. Utilities, Stove, & Refrigerator included.

CLASSIFIEDS

Vehicles for sale



Monumental Savings!

'01 TOYOTA CAMRY

38K Miles Super Clean
(U1029135) \$12,988

'01 Highlander Ltd.

V6, Loaded, 30K miles
(10005103) \$21,995

'00 CAVALIER

Auto, AC + More
(Y744439) \$3,999

'99 4-RUNNER

59K Miles, LOADED
(X0043634) \$12,990

'01 COROLLA LE

Power Locks/Windows
(1Z475373) \$10,995

'97 TOYOTA RAV4

Leather and Moon Roof
(V7007964) \$10,990

'00 SONATA

Moonroof (Y0029135) \$5,995

AD EXPIRES 4/05/04

All advertised prices exclude government fees and taxes, any finance charges, any dealer document preparation charges, and any emission testing charge.

HURRY TO:

832 Santa Monica Blvd.
800-944-4157
LAcARguy.com

Instruction

DRUM LESSONS in your home! Great w/children & beginners, first lesson FREE! Call Tom (310)422-2699.

MATH TUTOR, Algebra, Statistics, Test Prep. Former college instructor, friendly, patient & entertaining. Will tutor individually or in groups. Call for rates, Curtis 310-968-1649

TOTAL SPANISH IMMERSION CLASSES, Private Teacher **KIDS** through total physical response method, (songs/games) **ADULTS** Communicative grammar and conversation. **Translations** **310-403-3001**

Wanted

BODY THERAPIST needed to share work space in MDR low rent/great location
310-450-2456

Personals



SONIA WILLIAMS

Psychic

Spiritual Clairvoyant

Palm Reader

Fortune Teller

310.278.5099

Wanted

LOOKING TO rent/sublet covered space in Santa Monica for storage of classic car.
310-395-3268

MRS. DOUBTFIRE, looking for mentor/nanny/tutor job w/interesting family for great salary. Mature woman. B.S., MA education/counseling. Good at multi-tasking, computer skills to light cooking. Phone/fax 310-313-3299

For Rent

1BD, 1BA Upper level, \$950 Stove, refrigerator, parking, no pets. 2535 Kansas #202 & #208 Santa Monica, CA 90404 Manager located in Apt. #101

Casa Loma Apartments

101 Dudley Ave.
Venice Beach Unf. Single
(Completely Remodeled)

\$1095.00
FIRST MONTH FREE!

PARKING FREE!
UTILITIES FREE!

Sorry no pets, single occupancy only. Free month requires security deposit & 1 year lease. Call Edward Romero 1-888-399-1166 or sunnibill@juno.com

CHARMING UNIT in Duplex. New carpet, 2+1.5 W/D hook-ups, 2 car parking, large kitchen, great light. \$1525 310-466-9256

The BEST RENTALS in VENICE
ELLY NESIS Co. Inc
(310) 396-4443
ellynesis.com

FREE RENTAL Lists & No Fee Rentals. Sullivan-Dituri Company. 2111 Wilshire Blvd. Santa Monica, CA 90403.

HOME IN Marina Del Rey, 3+2 with private yard, shed and automatic gate that contains three cars. The house itself has hardwood floors and a full kitchen with a fridge, dishwasher and outdoor laundry on a patio. \$3000 310-466-9256

MDR ADJ \$675 large single, lower, w/large closets, full kitchen, refrigerator, very light, freshly painted. Laundry, parking & no pets. (310)828-4481

MDR PENNINSULA. Very large 2bd, 2ba with balcony, incredible canal view, fireplace, dishwasher, stove. 2 car parking, 1 year lease, no pets. \$2000 310-466-9256

MDR, GREAT view/Waterfront 3bd+den2 1/2 bath, parking, pool, large patio w/bbq. \$5800/mo w/1year lease \$6000/mo w/6months 310-701-2326

PALMS/WEST L.A. 1BD, 1BA Upper, safe neighborhood, gated building, r/s, parking, ceiling fan, no pets. \$875/mo 310-923-0587

For Rent

PAC. PALISADES, 2BD/1BA Refurbished, private entry, lower, hardwood floors, W&D, bright, parking, storage, pet friendly. \$1,995/mo 310-454-0687

PDR 2+1 3/4, upper, large, closets, r/s, blinds, small building, no/pets, no/smoking. \$1425/mo/1yr lease 310-338-1311

PDR DELUXE Security Complex 2car parking, multiple amenities 1699/mo, 6/month lease, 310-628-2416

PDR SPACIOUS 2+1, lovely hilltop residential area, lots of closets, r/s, no pets \$1395/mo 310-822-3144

SANTA MONICA \$2600 Walk to beach, great apt. to share, Spacious, 3bd2ba, hardwood floors, new appliances, quiet street. 310-399-1273

SANTA MONICA 1+1, upper, new crpt & paint, near Trader Js, prking, \$975 www.westsiderentals.com

SANTA MONICA 2bd \$1499/mo 2031 20th Street 310-273-1185

SANTA MONICA Condo, 2+1, lower, r/s, hrwd flrs, laundry, yard, prking, \$1075 www.westsiderentals.com

SANTA MONICA Penthouse Ocean View, 3bd 2ba+loft, dining, living, balcony, built-ins, hardwood floors 2 car garage \$4800/mo 626-485-3015

SANTA MONICA shrd hse, pvt rm, r/s, dishwasher, near SMC, yard, m to m, \$550 www.westsiderentals.com

SANTA MONICA Twnhse, dog ok, r/s, patio, lg closets, near UCLA, prking, \$1895 www.westsiderentals.com

SANTA MONICA, 3+2, dwasher, hrwd flrs, gated, pantry, intercom, garage, \$1750 www.westsiderentals.com

SANTA MONICA, Duplex, upper, r/s, hrwd flrs, yard, laundry, near SMC, \$1250 www.westsiderentals.com

SANTA MONICA, Guest House, pet ok, r/s, patio, yard, prking, m to m, \$1175 www.westsiderentals.com

SANTA MONICA, lower, r/s, patio, gated, crpt, laundry, m to m, util incl, \$800 www.westsiderentals.com

SANTA MONICA, r/s, new crpt, laundry, quiet, near SMC, ceiling fan, m to m, \$725 www.westsiderentals.com

SANTA MONICA, shrd apt, pvt rm, r/s, balcony, crpt, laundry, prking, flex lease, \$550 www.westsiderentals.com

SANTA MONICA-BRAND New Building, 1BD/1BA, 2BD/2BA, & 3BD/2BA Townhouse \$1300-\$2950 New Appliances, Patio, Parking 818-571-6001

TOWNHOUSE CONDO 3+2 1/2, \$2100/mo 1838 Barry Ave. #2. Stove, microwave, dishwasher, fireplace, balcony, dining room, carpets, blinds, intercom entry, 2car gated parking spaces, no pets 310-578-7512

VENICE CREATIVE office space just off Abbot Kinney, perfect for small photography studio or graphic design firm, concrete floors, bathroom. \$1095. 310-466-9256 1 Year lease

VENICE SINGLE \$1000/mo 25 19th Ave. #E 1/2 block from the beach. Stove, refrigerator, carpet, blinds, laundry, no pets. 310-578-7512

For Rent

W. LA 1 Large 1bd/1ba \$950/mo. Hardwood floors, venetian blinds, walk-in closets 310-826-3360

W.LA 1BD 1ba, Hardwood floors, \$1050/mo+deposit, No pets 310-444-0023

WEST HOLLYWOOD 1+1 8 UNIT building, spacious lower apt., washer/dryer, AC, refrigerator, stove, dishwasher, gas fireplace, gated building, gated parking, blinds, wood/carpet/vinyl, balcony, good closets, close to shopping, w/c pets \$1275 310-271-7064

WESTWOOD, 2BD2BA, free A/C, hot/cold water, 2 parking spaces, new bath & kitchen, pool/spa \$2200/mo 818-469-4911

WLA \$1195 OCEANVIEW & Breezes. larger 1 bedroom, top of hill, private driveway, upper, front (310)390-4610.

WLA \$1290/MO. 2 Bedrooms, 1 bath, hardwood floors, large kitchen (310)391-8880.

WLA/PALMS \$1150/MO Spacious 2bd/2ba, lower. Best Palms area, Keystone near Palms Blvd. Ample closets, appliance, parking, laundry 310-828-4481

Roommates

2BD 1BA SUITE Large private home, kitchen to share. References, male preferred 310-478-5860 After 10am \$850/mo

ROOMMATE WANTED Beach Front \$1500/mo share bath. All utilities included No pets, n/s Darren 310-459-8256

W. LA Gorgeous 3-Story Townhouse to share. Females only, will have own floor \$925/mo+\$550deposit. 1 dog 310-866-1670

Commercial Lease

SANTA MONICA OFFICES 6th ST.

ONE MONTH FREE RENT

Remodeled: Mediterranean Design
Near Promenade, Windows
Parking, Garden Courtyard
Janitorial, Utilities included
2-4 Rooms, Short/Long Term

\$1495-\$2450
(310) 395-4620

2901 OCEAN Park, commercial space available. 2200sq/ft Turn Key Salon, \$2,25sq/ft. All-sq available, office space 1000sq/ft ample parking, \$2.10sq/ft. Call 310-450-5056

3101 OCEAN Park, Brand New Remodeled Building. Office space available, 1500sq/ft, sq/ft, ample parking 310-450-5056

BUILDING FOR Lease 1800sq/ft Parking, 2ba. 10800 Washington, Fantastic Culver City, short SM commute. Mr. Romano 310-839-3611

CHARMING GARDEN Type Freestanding Commercial Office Space. Wilshire & Yale \$1500+util. Call Broker Elly 310-264-2688

WAREHOUSE SPACE 1300sq/ft Includes 1 office and bathroom; Lease for 6-30/mo @ \$2300/mo Includes roll-up door+4 parking spaces. Located in S.M. Colorado & Yale. Quiet, safe & accessible. Tom 310-612-0840

Commercial Lease

NAI CAPITAL COMMERCIAL

Specializing in Leasing & Selling Office & Industrial Buildings

310-440-8500 x.104

SANTA MONICA 1334 Lincoln Blvd 1140sq/ft \$2200/mo. & 600 sq/ft 1300/mo. Can combine. E. Keasbey (310)477-3192.

SM/OCEAN PARK: room available in well located Chiropractic & Acupuncture office 3 days per/wk \$500/mo. Jasmine (310)392-9596.

Real Estate



AGAPE ESTATES
Pride of Ownership
Homes and Units
Realtor and Developer
Call Today
310-745-4847
Buy or Sell Tomorrow

WESTSIDE HOTLIST! Reveals 10 best buys in your price range Free recorded message-1-877-545-2001/ID#1040 Remax

Real Estate Wanted

MOTIVATED BUYER: I buy houses, any area, any price, any condition Call (310)422-4933.

Massage

BLISSFUL RELAXATION! Heal your body, mind, spirit. Therapeutic, Swedish, Deep-tissue. Energy balancing. Strictly non-sexual. Introductory specials from \$50.00/1hr. Lynda, L.M.T. (310)749-0621

EXQUISITE, INTUITIVE, strong and tender relaxing bodywork by mature European. Professional Lady Sonja (310)397-0433.

FULL BODY MASSAGE: Licensed and certified; will travel. Your home or office. \$45/hr. Estella (310)396-2720

FULL BODY Swedish to light fingertip massage by classy European therapist. Serious callers only. (310)826-7271.

Local Therapist looking to TRADE non-sexual bodywork with other therapist. Paul 310-741-1901

OCEAN THERAPY: nice relaxing massage Spanish & Asian Staff (310)899-3709.

REVITALIZE & Rejuvenate. Body, Mind & Spirit with an exquisite full body Swedish/Deep-tissue massage. Laura (310)394-2923/(310)569-0883.

Real Estate

ROQUE & MARK Co.

2802 Santa Monica Blvd.
310-828-7525

SALES - RENTALS
PROPERTY MANAGEMENT

RENTALS AVAILABLE

NO PETS ALLOWED

SANTA MONICA

2250 30th St. \$975

Upper 1 bed, new carpet, fresh paint, bright, view

1501 Washington \$1500

Lower 2 bed, 1 bath, fridge & stove, garage

1224 12th St. \$1550

Upper 2 bed 1.5 baths, bright, front unit, balcony

828 11th St. \$1650

Upper 2 bed, 1.5 baths, new carpet, balcony, near Montana

OFFICE SPACE

1247 Lincoln \$650

2nd floor office, near Wilshire, parking, negotiable terms

WEST LA/ BRENTWOOD/ BEL AIR

620 Acanto, Bel Air \$750-795

Bachelor apts, utilities paid, partly furnished, near Getty

1975 Beverly Glen, WLA, \$1300

Upper 1 bed, new kitchen, new carpet & blinds, laundry

12258 Montana Brentwood \$1850

2 bed, 2 bath, new berber carpet, new linoleum, new vertical blinds

FOR MORE LISTINGS GO TO WWW.ROQUE-MARK.COM

Obituaries

NASHNER-LOIS ODLE, age 84, died on January 14 in Portland, Oregon. She was born in Pittsburgh on March 4, 1919. She received a B.A. in Music from Carnegie Mellon University when she was 19. Her husband Sydney Nashner died in 1955, and she raised her three children Marjorie, Lewis, and Robert. At the age of 50 she earned a Master's degree in Public Administration at UCLA and worked as a Human Relations Management Consultant. She was an accomplished concert pianist and performed at chamber music and other recitals in Los Angeles and Santa Monica, where she lived for 30 years with her partner Karl Kreuter. She leaves her three children, her sisters Sylvia Lilley and Jeanne Perlman, two grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

ADVERTISE!

310-458-7737

CLASSIFIEDS



Announcements

ALZHEIMER'S SUPPORT GROUP meeting. Last Wednesday of the month; at Sunrise Assisted Living, Pacific Palisades call (310)573-9545/Linda.

Business Opps

SHARE SPACE in Brentwood. Use for office, therapy, skin care, etc. For 2-3 days/wk 310-451-9880

Health/Beauty

BRAIDS!
HAIR EXTENSIONS!
Full Service Salon Open 7days/week specializing in Caucasian & Asian Hair
5364 W. Adams Blvd.
braidsbysabrina.com
323-937-8870

Health/Beauty

WANT TO feel better? Try acupuncture, it works! Jeane Houle, L.Ac, Acupuncturist and herbalist, Bayside Wellness Center, 310-315-1828 M-W-F. Receive \$50 off 1st appointment with mention of ad.

Fitness

*** EXERCISE ***
W O W W W !!!
"New In Boxes"
Treadmill Space Saver,
\$372 OBO. Recumbent Bike, Stationary or Upright Bike, \$262 Each.
310-729-2022

Yard Sales

GIANT BOOK Sale! Thousands of titles, Saturday 7am-Noon 627 9th Street in alley.

Fitness

Have Fun Getting FIT By the BEACH

Feel Better...Lose Weight...Improve your Health!

Inquire About Our Way to Wellness Program! Exercise, Eating & Stress Management ... All In One Great Program!

Located at the Loews Santa Monica Beach Hotel
310-842-5657
www.globalfitnesssolutionsonline.com

Ocean Oasis
A Medical Day Spa for Women
Facials • Yoga • Pilates • Therapeutic Massage
Pregnancy & Post-pregnancy services
BRING IN A FRIEND FOR YOGA AND SHE'S FREE!
(310) 458-8190
Dr. Lisa Masterson, M.D.
1333 Ocean Avenue in Santa Monica

Pay tribute to a loved one.



The Santa Monica Daily Press Obituaries.

Call Mitch for details. 310.458.7737 ext. 111

PROMOTE YOUR BUSINESS IN THE SANTA MONICA SERVICE DIRECTORY

Services

A/C CONSTRUCTION

COMMERCIAL
Residential Remodel
HONEST & RELIABLE
FREE ESTIMATES

310.278.5380
Fax 310.271.4790
Lic# 804884 Fully Insured

A1 CONSTRUCTION, framing, drywall, electrical. 30 years in this area. Free estimate. (310)475-0497 or (310)415-7134.

B.C. HAULING clean-up; all types big truck; hydrolic liftgate -small truck. No Saturdays. (310)714-1838.

LDT COMPUTER SERVICES

Microsoft Certified Systems Engineer and Trainer
Business and Residential
Experienced • Reliable • Affordable

Training • Networking • Hardware • Web Design • Software

FREE CONSULTATION
LDTCompute@aol.com

(310) 989-6677

BEST MOVERS

No job too small
2 MEN, \$59 PER HOUR
Fully insured. We make it EZ.
Free prep. & boxes. Discount for handicap & seniors!
Since 1975 Lic. T-163844
(323) 997-1193

MARCO TELECOM: Phone jacks, installation & repair. Rewiring phone line, splitting business. (310)301-1926, pager: (310)351-7673.

Services

THE MOLD EXPERTS

Expert Mold
Inspection,
Investigation
& Remediation

400 S. Beverly Dr., Ste 214
in Beverly Hills
(310) 281-2282
www.errandsetc.biz

J&G PAINTING & DRYWALL

Interior & Exterior -FREE Estimates
References Available
Greg: 310-391-4362 • Joe: 310-403-6247
Give your house a facelift for spring!

Services

GET ORGANIZED!

for filing system set-ups,
unpacking from a major move,
uncluttering closets and
other home/office paper
management problems, etc.

HIRE A PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZER!

Call Christine Cohen:
310-274-4988

Member: National Association of Professional Organizers

Turn Your Closet into Cash!

L.A.'s hottest resale store!
Great Labels
DESIGNER RESALE

ACCEPTING NEW CONSIGNERS

WANTED:
LOUIS VUITTON
CHANEL
GUCCI
HERMES
ST. JOHN
PRADA
JUDITH LEIBER
MISSONI
DOLCE & GABBANA

1126 Wilshire Blvd.,
Santa Monica, CA 90401
(310) 451-2277

HOME THEATER AND MUSIC:
system design, installing and
troubleshooting. 16 years experience
with audio/video systems,
satellite, cable, telephone and
computer networks.
(310)450-6540.

Lic.#758420
All Work
Guaranteed

DISCOUNT PLUMBING

DRAINS • HEAT
RESIDENTIAL • COMMERCIAL

(310) 439-7771 ALL PRICES NEGOTIABLE
15% OFF WITH THIS AD

Services

NOTICE TO READERS:

California law requires that contractors taking jobs that total \$500 or more (labor or materials) be licensed by the Contractors State License Board. State law also requires that contractors include their license number on all advertising. You can check the status of your licensed contractor at www.cslb.ca.gov or 800-321-CSLB. Unlicensed contractors taking jobs that total less than \$500 must state in their advertisements that they are not licensed by the Contractors State License Board.

PAINTING/WALLPAPER
Painting, Wallpaper Removal & Installation, Wall Texturing, Free Estimates! Glenn's Wall Service 310-686-8505

"JENNY CAN CLEAN-IT"
fast, reliable. We take care of your cleaning, own transportation. \$40 (818)705-0297.

RAYTELCO

VOICE & DATA
MULTI LINE PHONE SYSTEMS
DSL • DATE CABLING
CATV • OUTLETS • T-1
VOICE MAIL • CAT-5E WIRING
MOVES, ADDS, CHANGES
AND REPAIRS

OVER 20 YEARS EXPERIENCE IN
RESIDENTIAL AND COMMERCIAL

Raymond Van Alphen
Field Technician
310-451-9515
Pager: 310-841-8595

Services

WINDOW CLEANING professionals

Residential and Commercial
FREE Estimates
Specializing in Luxury Homes!
(310) 709-1257

Business Services

DO YOU Mind Earning an Extra
300-2100/wk? Working 10
Hours a Week? Call
323-632-1234

Computer Services

COMPUTER HELP: Your office or home Computer tune-up, Microsoft Word, Excel, Quickbooks, internet navigation, software installation. PO Sale (310)207-3366/310-801-6845

DIGITAL DUCHESS COMPUTER SPECIALIST

Extremely Professional Service at a Low Rate
■ Repairs ■ Training
■ Upgrades ■ Networking
■ Set-up ■ Wireless
(310) 395-6884 or email
kerry@digitalduchess.com

Services

DENTAL EMERGENCY?



- Evening hours + emergency services
- Root Canals, Crowns, Veneers
- 20+ years of experience
- UCLA Graduate
- Most insurances accepted
- Cosmetic Dentistry

Dr. David Taft, DDS
310-315-3676

UCLA Parkside Medical

2428 SANTA MONICA BLVD., SUITE 303 • SANTA MONICA

ONE HOUR Alterations,
hemming, jeans, pants, skirts,
etc. Made by professional Call
Michael 310-980-2674

GRAPHIC DESIGNER Print or
Web Raymond Fernandez
310-780-5725
portfolios.com/raymond
fernandez

High-Speed Internet Access

UP TO 8X FASTER THAN DSL
Only \$12⁹⁹ per month
• No Contract
• Includes Email and
Webpace
• 1-Month Trial
310-393-4037
www.NoCatNetworks.com • sales@nocatnetworks.com

When You Get Ready to Fix Up, Call Us!

NED PARKER CONSTRUCTION

Bonded & Insured • Lic#658-486
PAINTING • CARPENTRY • ROOFING
CONCRETE • ELECTRICAL
323.871.8869

Classified Advertising Conditions :REGULAR RATE: \$2.50 a day. Ads over 15 words add 20¢ per word per day. Ad must run a minimum of twelve consecutive days. PREMIUMS: First two words caps no charge. Bold words, italics, centered lines, etc. cost extra. Please call for rates. TYPOS: Check your ad the first day of publication. Sorry, we do not issue credit after an ad has run more than once. DEADLINES: 4:00 p.m. prior the day of publication except for Monday's paper when the deadline is Friday at 4:00 p.m. PAYMENT: All private party ads must be pre-paid. We accept checks, credit cards, and of course cash. CORRESPONDENCE: To place your ad call our offices 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, (310)458-7737; send a check or money order with ad copy to The Santa Monica Daily Press, P.O. Box 1380, Santa Monica, CA 90406 or stop in at our office located at 1427 Third Street Promenade, Ste. 202. OTHER RATES: For information about the professional services directory or classified display ads, please call our office at (310)458-7737.

SANTA MONICA RESIDENTS ... SANTA MONICA FORD IS

**#1 VOLUME FORD
DEALER IN THE U.S.A.***

We are currently the #1 volume Ford dealership in the U.S.A. *based on a combination of retail and fleet sales and to maintain this distinction we MUST not lose your business.

It is imperative you contact us before you purchase that next Ford.



**Family Owned &
Operated since
1948**

HAVE WE GOT SERVICE DEALS FOR YOU!

Tire Rotation & Brake Inspection **\$19.95**

Inspect brake friction material, caliper operation, rotors, drums, hoses and connections. Inspect parking brake for damage and proper operation. Rotate and inspect four tires. Dual-rear-wheel vehicle extra. See Service Advisor for details.

Must mention this ad at time of write up. Taxes extra.
Expires 6/30/04

10% OFF SERVICE BILL

Bring this coupon to your Service Advisor and receive the above savings applied to your entire service bill, when it does not include services listed on this ad.

Must mention this ad at time of write up. Taxes extra.
Expires 6/30/04

2-wheel alignment & Tire Inspection **\$39.95**

Check and adjust camber and toe. Check tread depth and condition all four tires. Additional parts and labor may be required on some vehicles. See Service Advisor for details.

Must mention this ad at time of write up. Taxes extra.
Expires 6/30/04

4-wheel alignment & Tire Inspection **\$69.95**

Check and adjust camber and toe. Check tread depth and condition all four tires. Additional parts and labor may be required on some vehicles. See Service Advisor for details.

Must mention this ad at time of write up. Taxes extra.
Expires 6/30/04

Santa Monica Ford will meet or beat any OEM tire price

10% OFF any body repair over \$2500
10% OFF of parts purchased
from the parts dept.

Minor Service for only **\$39.95**

Oil Change & Oil Filter Replacement, Lube Hinges, Latches & Applicable Chassis Parts, Silicone Protection of Window Weather Strips, Check Fluid Levels & Top Off to Factory Specifications, Inspect Cooling System, Hoses & Belts, Check Running Lights for Proper Operation, Check Suspension System, Inspect Exhaust System for Corrosion, Inspect & Rotate Tires, Adjust Pressures, Multi-Point Inspection Report Card

Must mention this ad at time of write up.
Excludes diesels & HD "E" & "F" series vehicles/OP code PMinor.
Expires 6/30/04

If you purchased elsewhere ... you probably paid too much!

SANTA MONICA  **1230 Santa Monica Blvd. • 310.451-1588**