

Santa Monica Daily Press

A newspaper with issues

00000

SUPER LOTTO PLUS

1-14-22-34-44

Megamember: 15

Jackpot: \$7 million

FANTASY 5

4, 6, 7, 11, 18

DAILY 3

Afternoon picks: 8, 3, 0

Evening picks: 5, 1, 7

DAILY DERBY

1st Place: 02, Lucky Star

2nd Place: 04, Big Ben

3rd Place: 07, Eureka

Race Time: 1:45.03



NEWS OF THE WEIRD

by Chuck Shepard

■ Former Harvard professor Weldong Xu, who was arrested in March for his alleged scheme to bilk colleagues out of \$600,000 to fund a bogus SARS research institute in China, admitted to Boston police that he spent part of the money on what the detectives recognized as a traditional Nigerian money-laundering scam, although Xu aggressively insisted that it was a legitimate deal. Said Detective Steve Blair, "(The Harvard professor) never caught on."



QUOTE OF THE DAY

"Money is good for bribing yourself through the inconveniences of life."

— Gottfried Reinhardt



INDEX



Horoscopes

Work is chaotic, Gemini 2



Local

Local soccer team rises to the top .3



Opinion

Losing our freedoms 4



Business

How to invest wisely 5



State

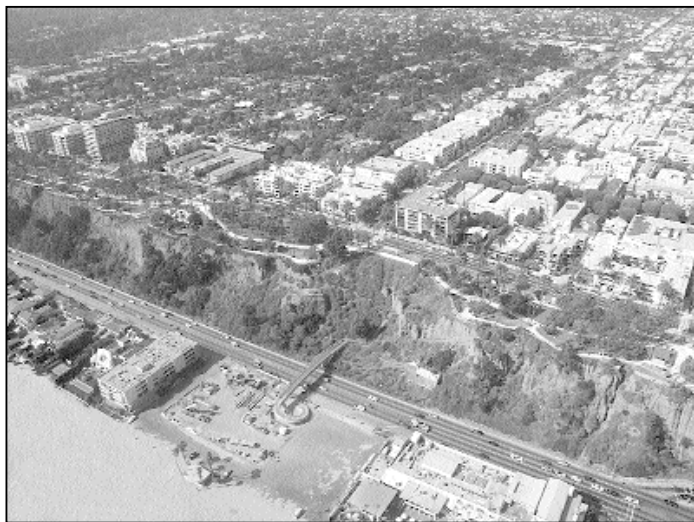
Golden Gate on its own 8



International

Illegal migrants rise in number .10

It's no bluff: PCH cliffs could crumble



An aerial shot of the Palisades bluffs, which extend from Colorado Avenue to Santa Monica Canyon. Officials fear that the bluffs will collapse if nothing is done to stabilize them.

\$10 million is needed to secure Palisades bluffs

BY JOHN WOOD

Daily Press Staff Writer

CITY HALL — Long feared as dangerous and unstable, the Palisades bluffs are constantly eroding and need \$10 million in repairs, officials have concluded.

That was the key finding of a geotechnical study delivered to the City Council on Tuesday. Scientists recommended draining the bluffs of as much water as possible, while perhaps paving over the crumbling rim and evicting the resident ground squirrels.

Details of the project still need to be hammered out before plans are reviewed by local and state boards, as well as the public.

After hearing an overview of five possible approaches, the City Council directed staffers to find a permanent solution if possible, with cost being a secondary concern.

"It's a serious thing, landslides," said City Councilman Bob Holbrook, who recalled two slides — one that buried motorists. "Someone once mentioned that God wants this bluff in the ocean, because that's what nature will do if we don't do anything to try and change that."

Ranging from 30 to 150 feet high, the Palisades bluffs distinguishes the western edge of Santa Monica, where they rise directly above the Pacific Coast Highway. Landslides have occurred on the Palisades bluffs for at least 130 years, officials said.

"The first reported landslides along the bluffs were reported by travelers, stagecoach travelers, traveling between Santa Monica and Topanga Canyon in the 1870s and 1880s," said Anthony Antich, an engineer in City Hall. Antich chronicled the history of the bluffs, which over the years have suffered from several slides and "rim failures," leaving debris covering PCH.

See BLUFFS, page 6

City Hall taps oil firms' wells for the last time

MTBE contamination lawsuits over for City Hall

BY CAROLYN SACKARIASON

Daily Press Staff Writer

The multi-year and multi-million dollar legal battle over Santa Monica's contaminated drinking water is coming to a close now that the last oil company has agreed to pay City Hall \$3.55 million.

Lyondell Chemical Co., a manufacturer of MTBE, which contaminated the city's drinking water in 1996, was the last defendant to settle litigation levied by City Hall in 2000. The City Council officially accepted the settlement on Tuesday, with Councilman Bob Holbrook recusing himself because his family owns stock in the oil company.

City Hall sued 18 oil companies that were responsible for contaminating Santa Monica's drinking water wells. With Lyondell's settlement, more than \$120 million will be paid to City Hall by the oil companies for allowing MTBE, a gasoline additive, to seep into several of the city's wells. Methyl Tertiary-Butyl Ether cleans

emissions, but is toxic if ingested.

"This will bring to conclusion the lawsuits brought by the city against the companies," said Assistant City Attorney Joe Lawrence. "This is the last remaining company."

Since the lawsuits were levied, money has been trickling in by the oil companies. In March, WinAll Oil Co. settled for \$350,000. Three oil companies — Shell, ChevronTexaco and ExxonMobil — agreed last year to pay whatever it takes to clean up the contamination, which was caused when underground storage tanks leaked gas into the ground water. The companies also agreed to pay City Hall \$92.5 million in cash.

A new treatment facility is planned to be built specifically to clean up the city's water at the Charnock Well Field in West LA, the city's main water source.

The settlement by Shell, ChevronTexaco and ExxonMobil, ensures that the oil companies will pay for all costs to construct, operate and maintain the treatment plant, which officials expect will clean the city's water supply by 2008. Costs could exceed several hundred

See MTBE, page 6

Smoking ban in SM is a done deal

Law will take effect in less than a month

BY JOHN WOOD

Daily Press Staff Writer

COUNCIL CHAMBERS — Smokers have 28 days to quit smoking at local beaches and on the Santa Monica Pier.

The City Council on Tuesday voted 5-2 in support of the ban at its final reading, setting it up to become law May 27. For the first 90 days of the law being enacted, police officers will first warn offenders. If they are caught again, offenders will be given a \$250 ticket.

Once fines, penalties and other court costs are totaled, violators can expect to be out of pocket \$750 or more, prosecutors said.

To appease concerned merchants, council members agreed to set aside designated smoking areas on the

See SMOKING, page 7

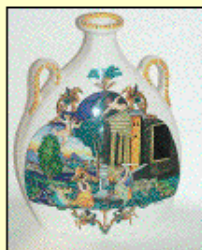
CATERING IS OUR SPECIALTY!
Sales Meetings • Seminars • Home/Office Parties
IZZY'S WILL HANDLE THE DETAILS
— YOU'LL ENJOY THE SUCCESS
Open 24 Hours
1433 Wilshire Blvd at 15th St
310-394-1131

Summer Music Classes! Sign up now
(310) 453-1928
1901 SANTA MONICA BLVD.
IN SANTA MONICA

\$14,388 Smart people buy at
Hyundai of Santa Monica
Includes:
10 Year/100,000 mile powertrain
5 Year/60,000 mile bumper-to-bumper
America's Best Warranty!
1010 Santa Monica Blvd. (310) 393-6000

PONTE VECCHIO

ITALIAN HOME & GARDEN FURNISHINGS



Mid-Century Venetian Glass
Tuscan Ceramics • Chandeliers
Dessert Dinnerware • Jewelry
Florentine Leather • Antique Linens

702 MONTANA AVENUE IN SANTA MONICA
(310) 394-0989 • www.PonteV.com

Go Ahead...Smile!



FEATURING: THE INTRA ORAL CAMERA
TO WATCH YOUR DENTAL EXAM!

- General & Cosmetic Dentistry
- Oral Surgery
- Fillings (Mercury free)
- Bonding, Veneers & Porcelain Crowns
- Gum Treatments
- Dentures, Partials & Repairs

50% OFF
TEETH WHITENING

Cash Patients. Limited Time Offer. Expires 3/31/04.
Not a California Dental Practice.

Dr. Vafadar, D.D.S., D.M.
12113 Santa Monica Blvd. Suite 204
310.571.3000

Free Cosmetic Consultation
Let us design and create your masterpiece smile in the
most up-to-date technology and relaxing environment.
Call us today for your next appointment.
Medical and most insurance accepted
FREE PARKING

Fantastic Sams

"Come and see our NEW look"



ADULT HAIRCUT
Shampoo &
Precision Cut
\$9.95
Long Hair Extra

COLOR
Shampoo &
Quality Color
\$5.00 OFF
Min. \$39 & up

Santa Monica
26610 Santa Monica Blvd.
(Next to Sierra Drugs)
310-453-5103
M-F: 9am-6pm Sat: 9am-6pm Sun: 10am-5pm

Sunset Grill

Mediterranean with a Twist

A Fantastic Spot for Breakfast

Our Breakfast is Great!
CREPES • OMELETTES

DELIVERY

GREAT SPECIALS
AVAILABLE

CATERING
for your office parties

"We Have Gourmet Cakes & Pies"

BREAKFAST ■ LUNCH ■ DINNER
Open from 7:30am - 9pm ■ Closed Sundays & Holidays
1701 Ocean Park Blvd. in Santa Monica ■ 310-450-7546



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

Happy B-Day Beau "Rockstar" Lemire



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)

★★★★ Settle in to work if you want to enjoy your weekend. You have a lot to accomplish. Stunning information easily could head in your direction. Note your reaction; learn from it. You might have certain traits you want to even out or transform. Tonight: Work as late as you want or need to.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

★★★★★ You could feel pushed between and betwixt. How you handle what comes down could change if you stop and brainstorm. Do not count on a friend right now. He or she might become a bit flaky. Be understanding, if possible. Tonight: Spontaneous works. Be with special friends or loved ones.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

★★★★ You might choose to work from home, as the office or workplace could be full of chaotic energy. Otherwise, you will need to concentrate and focus. A boss becomes erratic. Understand that his or her thought process could be like this. Tonight: Mosey on home.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

★★★★★ Others listen to what you say, but that fact doesn't imply that others won't play devil's advocate. Welcome this opportunity to shore up a project and make sure you have thought it through. Check out office gossip before running with it. Tonight: At your haunt.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

★★★★ How you spend your money could become an issue with a partnership or with someone you deal with financially. Understand that this person or institution could be unpredictable. Tonight: Balance your checkbook.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

★★★★★ Your energy peaks, which affects everything you do. Others continue their unpredictable behavior. You could feel a bit batty and crazed if you allow yourself to react. Claim your power, knowing what you want from someone close. Tonight: Let others follow your lead.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

★★★★ You might not want to reveal everything you know, though an associate might try to coax you to that end. Unexpected happenings around work and your daily life keep you on your toes. You get an impression rather than a factual report of what is going on. Check it out. Tonight: Take a personal night.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

★★★★★ Meetings point you in a new direction if you are open. You might be surprised by what happens if you don't push and instead work as part of a team. You will hit a home run. Sometimes you need to sublimate your strong will. Tonight: Spontaneity rules.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

★★★★ Be more aware of your image when dealing with those around you, especially at work. You might not understand a family member's choice, but work with it. The unexpected keeps occurring. You need to learn to flex. Tonight: A must show.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

★★★★★ Reach out for experts and detach from the immediate. Be willing to float with a surprise or the unexpected. Use care when driving or with big tools or instruments right now. You could be more distracted than you realize. Tonight: Imagine and put yourself in another's place.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

★★★★★ You prefer to work with individuals right now. Keep whatever you discuss or deal with within your closed circle. Use care with your wallet and funds. You pull the wild card financially. Buy a lottery ticket! Tonight: Spice up an important relationship.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

★★★★ Your unpredictability could work against you. Let others reveal their colors right now. You might be upset, but choose a slow response. Investigate new possibilities that surround people, associates and networking. Tonight: Out with friends.

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 Sackarison sack@smdp.com

STAFF WRITER

John Wood wood@smdp.com

CHILD DEVELOPMENT COLUMNIST

Margie Altman margiealtman@yahoo.com

ADVERTISING SALES MANAGER

Rob Plubeni rob@smdp.com

ADVERTISING ACCOUNT EXECUTIVE

Michelle Oshry michelle@smdp.com

ADVERTISING ACCOUNT EXECUTIVE

Georgia Chudoba georgia@smdp.com

ADVERTISING ACCOUNT EXECUTIVE

Rob Schwenker schwenker@smdp.com

PRODUCTION MANAGER

Del Pastrana del@smdp.com

PRODUCTION ASSISTANT

Alejandro C. 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

Mike Aviles mike@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

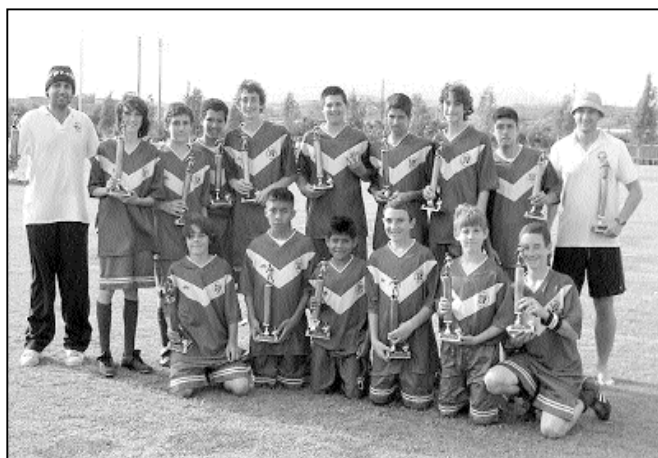


Photo courtesy

(Back row) Coach Xavier Kochhar, Josh Epstein, Kevin Bruce, Henry Gruber, Charlie Paris, Sean Harris, Nick Ferro, Robbie Paris, Chris Gonzales and coach Ben Reah. (Front row) Jake Leal, Alejandro Cruz, Robin Ramaz, Robert Khedr, Matthew Speiser and Alexander Kovacs.

Local kids earn title of 'all-stars'

By Daily Press staff

A group of local soccer players won their third tournament this past weekend. Santa Monica Saints AYSO Boys U14 (ages 13 and 14) all-star soccer team claimed victory at the "Apricot Jam" Invitational soccer tournament in Moorpark with a 6-0 championship victory against Corona, following pool victories over Newbury Park, Granada Hills and Valencia. The tournament followed last month's dramatic 4-3 overtime victory over arch rival and host Culver City in the championship game of the "Sony Classic" tournament in Culver City. In February, the team traveled to Riverside to win the "Locomotion" Tournament.

The group of 15 kids all attend Santa Monica schools, and most of them will be entering Santa Monica High School as ninth graders this fall. After participating in the Santa Monica AYSO program, they and their coaches were selected to form an all-star team to represent the Santa Monica region in tournament competition. The team hopes to defend its unbeaten streak at upcoming tournaments in Irvine, Chino, Santa Barbara and Lake Tahoe.

Replenishing the souls of others

By Daily Press staff

A day of replenishing your mind, body and spirit this Saturday can help victims of abuse.

"Replenish Your Body & Soul Day" at the MedSpa Day & Spiritual Salon will benefit abused women and children. The new Fountain of Youth MedSpa in West LA will offer a menu of youth-enhancing spa treatments and classes at a special price for the whole day.

The event will benefit the USC Violence Intervention Program and Rape Crisis Center, a facility that serves women and children who have been witness to, or victims of abuse. The cost for the day spa is \$75, a value of up to \$200. Reservations

See BRIEFS, page 7



Our SW swell will be backing down today, but it will still be good for some little bumps here and there. There also will be a mix of NW wind and ground swells in the water Thursday with some waist-high surf of its own.

OUTLOOK: The NW combo weakens on Friday as the old SW'er continues to lose steam.

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

Today the water is:

63°

	LOW TIDES				HIGH TIDES			
	Morning	Height	Evening	Height	Morning	Height	Evening	Height
SATURDAY	8:45	-0.3	7:04	2.8	12:45	5.4	4:22	3.0
SUNDAY	10:16	-0.3	9:28	3.1	1:57	5.0	6:09	3.4
MONDAY	11:34	-0.4	11:30	2.7	3:36	4.8	6:55	3.8
TUESDAY	NA	NA	12:33	-0.5	5:11	4.8	7:27	4.2
WEDNESDAY	12:41	2.1	1:18	-0.5	6:24	4.9	7:56	4.6
THURSDAY	1:32	1.4	1:55	-0.4	7:21	5.0	8:22	4.9
FRIDAY	2:15	0.9	2:27	-0.2	8:09	4.9	8:47	5.2

The Surf Report is sponsored by:

ALL ABOUT HER

ROCKER

BOARD SHOP

SURF • SNOW • SKATE

boards • wetsuits
swimwear
clothing • accessories

12204 Venice
Mar Vista, CA
(310) 397-83
(310) 397-89
www.rockboard.com
info@rockboardshop.com

The Q-Line

There has been a lot of speculation recently that terrorists will once again attack the United States. And it's supposed to happen relatively soon. Before the presidential election, some predict. As we witnessed in Spain several weeks ago, the devastating attack on the train dramatically changed the outcome of that country's elections.

So this week, Q-Line wants to know,

"If we have another terrorist attack, will it change your view on the politics of Washington and possibly change your vote in the presidential elections?"

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.

STORE WIDE SALE

Up To 25% Off Entire Stock

We offer an incredible selection of gourmet foods from around the world.



1800A Abbot Kinney Blvd., Venice
One block south of Venice Blvd.

310/305-9800



TAXES

ALL FORMS • ALL TYPES • ALL STATES

AUDITS • BACK TAXES • BOOKKEEPING • SMALL BUSINESS

SAMUEL B. MOSES, CPA
(310) 395-9922

429 Santa Monica Blvd. Ste. 710
Santa Monica 90401



OPINION

LETTERS

Let freedom ring

Editor:

Freedom is under assault in the United States. Local ordinances range from banning smoking in outdoor locations to effectively preventing individuals from protecting their rented property from destruction caused by gangs or the homeless. The state restricts "privileges" from riding a motorcycle without a helmet to nude sunbathing. The federal government mandates too much minutia from the best sources for prescription drugs to the manner in which local governments must spend their tax dollars on education to a minimum drinking age.

While the bare threads of a democratic republic still exist, following are a few legislative changes that I'd like to see passed:

If you can grow it or mine it, you may cure it, distill it, smoke it, drink it, eat and sell it (buyer beware) to those of us who don't have the space to grow, mine, cure or distill our own. Naturally occurring herbs and substances may be refined and ingested by a free people.

If our taxes support it, then it must be tolerant of all choices that individual citizens may make. If a social program or tax break is good for one group, then equal access to it is good for all. If our taxes maintain public services and open spaces, then all individuals must have access whether they are handicapped, smoke or prefer nudity. Free communities are tolerant.

Constitutionally limit the power of government, corporate entities and large groups joined together for any purpose. Freedom is best protected by small, local involvement. The federal level of government should be limited to support the broadest ideals and to coordinating minimal national objectives. It should not get involved in the specific implementation of any issue. States and corporate/institutional legal entities should be limited both in size and scope. Freedom is denied when a single corporate or state decision is allowed to impact the lives of millions. Local governments should bear the greatest responsibility and accountability for all public services. Free societies limit the accumulation of (and subsequent corruption of) wealth and power.

Finally, we must hold individuals accountable for their own actions. The key to enduring freedom is personal responsibility. Reduce our bloated, slow-moving legal system by allowing the real lessons of freedom, the joyful and painful consequences of one's choices, to be felt by each citizen.

By limiting the size and scope of the legal entities governing society while at the same time enforcing personal responsibility, we can restore and increase freedom for all.

Ed Sharrow
Santa Monica

Take your issues to the polls

Editor:

In the SMDP April 27 edition, (page 1), I read the article about the cell phone antennas. It made me think about how things go in Santa Monica. The City Council makes everything difficult for the people who live here. As an example, I can't make a cell phone call from my kitchen but I can from my upstairs bedroom. I can't drive down a city street without having some obstacle provided by the city impede my progress. I can't go almost anywhere without tripping over the homeless. For awhile I was impeded from going to ATMs because the City Council thought the banks should provide the service for free. I can't do a remodel on a property without going through a living hell from the city. Why do we keep electing these kind of people?

R. Chace
Santa Monica

Opinions expressed are those of the writer and do not necessarily reflect those of the Santa Monica Daily Press staff. Guest editorials from residents are encouraged, as are letters to the editor. Letters will be published on a space-available basis. It is our intention to publish all letters we receive, except those that are libelous or are unsigned. Preference will be given to those that are e-mailed to sack@smdp.com. All letters must include the author's name and telephone number for purposes of verification. Letters also may be mailed to our offices located at 1427 Third Street Promenade, Suite 202, Santa Monica, 90401, or faxed to (310) 576-9913. All letters and guest editorials are subject to editing for space and content.

It's tough for children to raise a decent mother



INSIDE OUT

By Amy Perritt

It's Mother's Day next Sunday so this weekend we'll be busy shopping for that special gift for our moms. I can't help but think that it really should be the other way around. Shouldn't they be buying something for us — the children? After all, it's not easy being responsible for their title.

It's our job — as children of these mothers — to ensure we train them, particularly during the first three years of their development, into the moms we know they would want to become.

First off there is diaper changing. Luckily, it's not as much a phenomenon for them as it is for dads — it only takes a few surprise pees after the diaper has come off for moms to quickly learn not to linger. And for the slow-moving mothers, well that's what rolling off the changing table is for.

It's exhausting, but the child must always pay close attention to where the mother is at all times. We just need her to turn away for one split second, so that we can hit our younger brother over the head for touching our new train set.

Mothers get a little carried away every once in a while and send us to our rooms to think about our actions. In case you missed that chapter, this is their harmless way of testing us to see who's boss. Simply write your name all over your bedroom walls with your new birthday crayons — mom will learn her guilt can be felt wherever we are so why not make it the TV room next time?

Saying good-bye is never easy for any of us, but for mothers it is especially difficult. One of the hardest moments in our mothers' lives is when they leave us for our first day of school. Of course, if they had fed us more junk food and less brussel sprouts we wouldn't have grown up so fast. But you know mothers. They never listen.

Children who are responsible role models will prepare their mothers early on for sixth grade. This is when they will be required to still drive us to school, but drop us off a block away from the front entrance.

Otherwise, what would other mothers think? They don't want them to be called "child's-little-mommy" and become alienated from the parent-teacher association.

Either way some moms find an excuse to get "in" like mine did. For several years on Halloween my mother appeared in my classroom dressed as a ghost. Without saying a word she handed every student a chocolate chip cookie from her basket. For a time, it was fun, and my friends and I loved the mystery. But I had to sit her down for a chat when she showed up in my 10th grade class and everyone recognized the cookies as my mom's.

Then ... suddenly ... a break through. Mom offers you her car for Saturday night.

Then ... she turns around and forbids you from leaving the house dressed as you are — hip huggers and a short T-shirt, your belly button showing only from certain angles.

All you can do is hope that she will eventually realize that if she nagged less, she wouldn't hear: "I hate you!" If she could just fall asleep at night, she wouldn't have to worry about whether we missed our curfew or not. Even better, she could be spared the smell of alcohol and cigarettes on our breath and the awkward feeling of placing a book about sex on our bed several days later.

From the moment we deliver ourselves into our mothers' world, our "motherhood training" begins. It's a laborious and often thankless job. Some days, you fall into bed knowing that you are "the best thing that ever happened to her" but feeling as though you just can't win.

Then seemingly overnight, (just as you leave her for college, or to start a home of your own), your mother starts to behave like the mom you always knew she could be. As painful as it is, you can see she's ready to take back her wardrobe and keep the twenties in her wallet for herself.

You realize your job is done.

From there, we — as the mother's child — can simply let her know we are never far away. She can call us day or night ... you know ... for when she's missing us and feels like picking up the phone to call. And, hopefully to say her three favorite words — I love you.

(Amy Perritt raised the best mom in the world. She can be reached at aperritt@hotmail.com)

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

How the pros do it: 10 tips for smart investing



By John Kim

7. Before investing, designate funds for short-term and long-term use. Don't invest money you need to keep liquid.

9. Learn all you can about companies in which you invest. Read the annual reports and earnings summaries you should receive as a stockholder. And ask your financial consultant about current company research. The better an understanding you have of a company's strategic focus

10. Live within your means. Americans are saving less and less, and spending more. Keep your spending habits within the limits of your income and invest wisely for the future by maximizing your contribution to your retirement plan at work.

Past performance is not a guarantee of future results. This article is based, in whole or in part, on information provided by the sales and marketing communications department of Smith Barney. Smith Barney is a division and service mark of Citigroup Global Markets Inc. Member SIPC).

(John S. Kim is a financial consultant with Smith Barney in Beverly Hills. Call (310) 205-4939 or visit www.fc.smithbarney.com/jkim. This article is based, in whole or in part, on information provided by the credit and lending services department of Smith Barney. Smith Barney is a service mark and division of Citigroup Global Markets Inc. Member SIPC).

If your income is sporadic or commission-based, keeping your payments low and flexible may be a priority. An interest-only mortgage structure would allow you to pay only interest for an initial fixed period, usually up to seven years. During that time, you are free to pay into principal when it's convenient

[illegible]

Q-Line: 310.258.8106



LOCAL

Bluffs off PCH have a long history of landslides

BLUFFS, from page 1

In the 1930s and 1950s, city workers did some work to limit erosion, but Antich said the tunnels they drilled into the hillside to help drain ground water were not used and are now inoperable. The new report called upon more than 50 years of studies and highlighted several different approaches, all with varying costs and impacts on residents and motorists.

At a minimum, scientists recommended draining the bluffs of water. Different "dewatering systems" include drilling perforated tubes upward into the bluffs, building a 10-foot-diameter tunnel underneath Palisades Park — so workers can find and remove pockets of water — and drilling a series of vertical pipes from above, which would intercept ground

"This is a long-term investment in a signature part of our city."

KEVIN MCKEOWN
City Councilman

water moving west towards the edge of the bluffs.

A second approach involves manipulating the bluffs' surface. Antich said a clear, cement-like application could be applied that would hold together the bluffs. He also said grout could be wedged into cracks to keep them from widening and gullies could be filled.

The other three options include what's called "soil nailing," where 20-foot nails would be hammered into the bluff face, constructing a 15-foot-wide pathway along part or all of the rim, and getting rid of ground squirrels and damaging vegetation. Ice plant, for example, gets heavy when it's wet and can rip off portions of the bluffs, Antich said.

How City Hall will pay for the project won't be decided until a final plan is adopted by the council, perhaps as early as this fall. Officials already have set aside \$1.3 million of redevelopment funds and another \$6 million in grant money from the federal government, according to City Hall documents. The project is expected to cost about \$7.5 million, plus another \$2.5 million in soft costs — though those estimates could change depending on the final plan.

Council members said the most important thing is that the job is done right.

"This is a long-term investment in a signature part of our city — and we will regret it for a long time if we don't do it right when we do it," said City Councilman Kevin McKeown.

What Do You Have to Lose?



Weight? Bad Habit? Anxiety? Fear? Phobias?
Low Confidence? Chronic Pain? Stress?
Insomnia? Procrastination?

It's Only A Phone Call Away!
John McGrail C.H.T.
Certified Hypnotherapist
(310) 235-2882

MTBE still being used in some communities

MTBE, from page 1

million dollars. The cash settlements will be used to cover out-of-pocket costs, and other city needs, like continued water quality improvements and water security.

The City Council on Tuesday also agreed to pay Southern California Water Co. \$5.6 million as a settlement relating to the MTBE cases. Southern California Water Co. sued City Hall to determine who had water rights at the time of the contamination, Lawrence said. The oil companies used that lawsuit to slow down their court proceedings with City Hall, he added.

In order to move forward with its cases against the oil companies, City Hall had

to resolve the lawsuit levied by Southern California Water Co. As a result, City Hall will purchase water rights in the Charnock basin from the Southern California Water Co. for \$5.6 million. The money will come from the settlement payments made by the oil companies, Lawrence said.

Santa Monica's crusade against MTBE set the stage for national efforts to clean up the additive. Though California took an aggressive stance against the additive and banned it this year, the Bush administration in February quietly shelved a proposal to ban MTBE in many communities, helping an industry that has donated more than \$1 million to Republicans.

Experience om on Main St



2716 Main Street, Santa Monica, California 90405
Tel 310-255 0902 Fax 310-255 0921

19943 Rinaldi Street, Porter Ranch Town Center, California 91326
Tel 818-832 4846 Fax 818-832 4118

*on selected items

*Come early
so you won't be
dissatisfied*

Serving OCEAN PARK and nearby beach communities



Monte Hartman
Real Estate Services



oceanparkhomes.com

(310)
448-5968



WELLS FARGO
MORTGAGE

Reverse Mortgages for Senior Homeowners*

You've worked hard to own your home, now let it work for you!

- Receive Payments instead of making them
- Use money for home repairs, buying a car — whatever you choose!
- No repayment due until you sell or vacate your home.

Call Greg Dimich for free brochure: (800) 367-1779

*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 MB for second mortgages and is a New Jersey Department of Banking Licensed Mortgage Banker.
©2003 Wells Fargo Home Mortgage, Inc. All Rights reserved #12882

Have Fun Getting FIT By the BEACH

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



State of the Heart Fitness offers:

- 4-Week "Way to Wellness" program
New session starts May 8th
- Personal Training
- Exercise Classes
- Life Coaching
- Health & Wellness Education

*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

LOCAL

13 miles of beach will be smoke-free next month

SMOKING, from page 1

pier. The quantity, size and location of those areas have yet to be decided, but officials on Tuesday said they were willing to consider portions of outdoor eating areas and private parties on the pier.

Several council members said they would like to have the designated smoking areas be treated with a special fire-resistant coating. One of the key reasons for the smoking ban on the pier is the potential fire hazard posed by cigarette butts. The health risks of second-hand smoke and litter were the other top concerns.

Smoking was outlawed by the City Council in all Santa Monica parks last year. In January, a statewide law went into effect that made it illegal to smoke 20 feet from any government building.

Ben Franz-Knight, executive director of the Pier Restoration Corp., the nonprofit organization that manages the pier, said this week he recommended eight areas be set aside, as well as a portion of each outdoor dining area. City Councilman Ken Genser indicated he most likely will push to reduce the number of designated areas.

City Councilman Mike Feinstein, who voted against the ban, lambasted the Daily Press from the dais for an April 16 article that stated he was "interested" in banning smoking in outdoor eating areas. Feinstein had told his colleagues at an earlier meeting that people in outdoor seating areas were held captive by smokers.

On Tuesday, he accused the Daily Press of intentionally making it sound as if he was spearheading a campaign against smoking in outdoor dining areas.

"For one local tabloid which seems to thrive on selling advertising by misrepresenting what people say up here, it had quoted me as saying that ... I was the one

Once fines and penalties are totaled, violators will be out of pocket \$750.

who had wanted to ban it in outdoor seating, in restaurants," Feinstein said. "I think it's unfortunate that the local press chooses to misrepresent those kind of statements in order to sell newspapers."

Feinstein later said he thought it was natural to ban smoking in outdoor eating areas before banning it on the beach and pier, but explained he was not specifically advocating it. Asked whether he was for or against banning smoking in outside dining areas, Feinstein declined to take a stand on either side of the issue.

It's unclear how difficult it will be to enforce the new law, especially because many of the visitors to the beaches and pier are tourists who will need to be constantly educated about the city's law. Deputy City Attorney Adam Radinsky, who helped draft the smoking legislation, said a recent undercover survey of 10 Santa Monica parks revealed that only two people were violating the law.

"And that includes Palisades Park," he said. "Our information is that the compliance is very good and it seems to be mostly self-enforcing."

Along with a decision last week by the Los Angeles City Council to ban smoking on the four beaches in the city of LA — Cabrillo Dockweiler, Will Rogers and Venice — 13 miles of local beaches will soon be smoke-free.

COMMUNITY BRIEFS

BRIEFS, from page 3

are required.

Women may choose from two mini-spa treatments such as massage, facial, micro-dermabrasion and energy healing, plus a roster of classes including yoga, Zen meditation and Tantra. A tea tasting will be hosted by Rena Shah of the renowned Chado Tea Rooms in Los Angeles and Pasadena.

The event will take place at the Fountain of Youth MedSpa, 11687 National Boulevard at Barrington, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

"Women and children are all too frequently the victims of violence in Los Angeles and throughout the world," said Carey Ann Strelecki, who is hosting the event with the Fountain of Youth MedSpa. "When we had the opportunity to create a project that would make a difference to abuse victims while providing a day for women to rejuvenate from their often frantic, exhausting lives, it seemed like a natural."

Participants interested in registering should call (310) 993-3700, or visit www.replenishyoursoul.com.

Samohi alumni get together

By Daily Press staff

Old high schoolers are getting together this weekend to relive their wonder years. All Samohi alumni, faculty and friends are invited to a picnic to share their memories, as well as renewing friendships, this Saturday from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

In addition to enjoying classmates, faculty and friends, there will be opportunities to see the renovated Barnum Hall with its new landscaping, archives and trophies, past yearbooks and class books, and a redecorated administration building.

Participants are asked to bring a lunch or purchase Viking burgers. The picnic will be held on the Samohi campus.

Parking is available in the lot off Olympic East at the tennis courts, or in the north parking lot through the alley entrance off of Michigan Avenue.



Come In & Experience Our Grilled or Cold Panini Sandwiches & Superb Salads

Panini Party Platters • Weekly Specials • Everything Fresh • Made to Order
Order Online at www.paninigarden.com • Dine-In • Garden Patio • We Deliver

Open Daily from 11 a.m. to 9 p.m.
2715 Main Street • Santa Monica • (310) 399-9939 • Fax (310) 314-2634

24 Hours Door-to-Door Shuttle Service

COAST SHUTTLE

Shuttles to All Airports, Piers, & Amusement Parks.
Over 16 Years Experience

TO or FROM
Santa Monica to LAX - \$14
Venice to LAX - \$12

(800) 449-8267
VANS
www.coastshuttle.com

Lower Rates & Best Service to Your Destination.

CASA ANTIGUA CANTINA presents

The Spirit of Old World Mexico Comes to the Westside

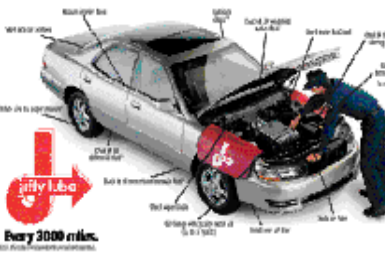
Cinco de Mayo

Wednesday, May 5th

\$5 PATRÓN Grande Margaritas 16oz.!
TEQUILA served from 5pm-7pm

12217 Wilshire Blvd in Los Angeles
Tel: (310) 820-2540

LUBE IT OR LOSE IT.



\$29.99 on your next Jiffy Lube® Signature Service Oil Change & Receive a FREE Dozen Doughnuts From **Krumpy Kreme DOUGHNUTS**

2344 Pico Blvd. In Santa Monica (at Cloverfield)
(310) 392-1994

Santa Monica Tobacco Fine Cigars & Cigarettes

1434 Fourth St.
(between SM Blvd.
& Broadway)
Santa Monica
(parking in rear)
FREE DELIVERY W/ MINIMUM PURCHASE
310.393.9592

**20% OFF
ALL LIGHTERS**

Dupont, Collibri, Zippo, Vector

The BENIHANA®
EARLY BIRD SPECIAL

Hibachi Chicken or
Teriyaki Beef Julienne

only **\$10⁹⁵**

Includes Soup, Salad,
Shrimp Appetizer, Hibachi Vegetables,
Steamed Rice and Green Tea.

Monday - Thursday 5-6 p.m.
Saturday & Sunday 3-4:30 p.m.

(310) 260-1423
1447 - 4th St. • Santa Monica
Parking directly across the street
in City Structure #5

Valid only at Santa Monica
location. Dine-in only. Not good
with any other discount.
Not Valid 5/09/04 Expires 5/30/04

An experience at every table
BENIHANA
www.benihana.com

PUBLIC MEETING

**MURAL
CONSERVATION**

The City of Santa Monica's Public Art Committee will make recommendations to the Arts Commission on the conservation of some of the 14 public murals in the City's collection. The murals that need conservation will be ranked and prioritized for treatment, repair, and protection measures. You can provide input on this process.

If you have questions or comments regarding the conservation of this or any of the public murals, please attend the public meeting, which will include a slide presentation, an opportunity for public comment, and a discussion by the Committee


City of
Santa Monica®

MEETING
Tuesday May 4th 6pm
Ken Edwards Center
1527 4th Street, Santa Monica

More Information: (310) 458-8310

STATE

National Guard leaving Golden Gate Bridge

BY LESLEY GUTH
Associated Press Writer

SAN FRANCISCO — The California National Guard is standing down Friday from the Golden Gate Bridge, where guards wearing camouflage and carrying assault weapons have been patrolling since Sept. 11, 2001.

The decision, approved by Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger, was not based on cost — \$5.2 million a year — nor the need to deploy the guards elsewhere, said Gary Winuk, chief deputy director of the California Office of Homeland Security. "The guard mission was always temporary in nature."

State officials and bridge managers have developed a more permanent security system including patrols by the California Highway Patrol, U.S. Coast Guard, U.S. Park Police and Golden Gate National Recreation Area rangers. These other agencies will assume responsibility Saturday for the bridge's security, Winuk said.

The FBI, San Francisco police and Marin County sheriff's office also will contribute to bridge security, said bridge spokeswoman Mary Currie. She said bridge managers made an "aggressive" effort to keep the guard, asking the governor to reconsider and meeting with state homeland security staff.

"We're not happy about it," she said. "It's been an invaluable asset to us. They've been an integral part of the fabric of the security of the bridge for the last two and a half years."

Following the terrorist attacks, the

National Guard helped patrol four California bridges that were considered potential terrorist targets: the Golden Gate, the Bay Bridge, the Vincent Thomas Bridge at the Port of Los Angeles and the Coronado Bridge in San Diego. In June 2002, the guard left all but the Golden Gate, which has been staffed by about 50 guards and administrators.

The total cost to patrol the bridges has been more than \$13 million, said National Guard spokeswoman Denise Varner. That amount includes estimated costs for 2004, Varner added.

The increased security on the bridge has at times been controversial.

In March 2002, critics complained about the \$750,000 tab to put soldiers up in hotels — including San Francisco's four-star Marriott. In April that year, guards complained to the Contra Costa Times that their equipment was poorly maintained.

But others have liked having the guards on the bridges. San Lorenzo's Robin Lynn delivered home-cooked breakfasts and lunches to the soldiers working 12-hour shifts on the Golden Gate and Bay bridges.

A light but steady stream of tourists visited the bridge Wednesday. Michael Green and his 11-year-old daughter, Skylar, from Centennial, Colo., stopped at the souvenir shop on the San Francisco side of the bridge.

"If they are going to do it, they are going to do it whether there are armed guards or not," Green said. "I feel confident driving across."

Supreme Court rules against enviros in California smog case

By The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The Supreme Court ruled Wednesday that a Southern California agency may have gone too far in imposing its own antismog rules for city buses, airport shuttles and other vehicles.

Justices, on a 8-1 vote, sided with oil companies and diesel engine manufacturers who claimed that local pollution rules conflict with national standards.

The San Francisco-based 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals upheld the tougher local rules, but the decision was voided by the high court. The Supreme Court sent the case back to California to consider the issues.

Justice Antonin Scalia, writing for the court, said that the emissions rules appear to be blocked by the federal Clean Air Act.

"If one state or political subdivision

may enact such rules, then so may any other; and the end result would undo Congress's carefully calibrated regulatory scheme," he wrote.

Justice David H. Souter filed the only dissent. Souter, of New Hampshire, said he disagreed that the Clean Air Act "prohibits one of the most polluted regions in the United States from requiring private fleet operators to buy clean engines that are readily available on the commercial market."

The rules apply to Los Angeles, San Bernardino, Riverside and Orange counties, which together have the nation's worst air-quality problem. The restrictions were imposed in 2000 and apply to fleets of vehicles such as buses, waste haulers and others.

The Clean Air Act gives states some authority to set their own rules. At issue in Wednesday's case were local standards.

**check out
your forecast in
today's horoscopes ...**

page 2



STATE

Farmers struggling with new regs on runoff pollution

BY JULIANA BARBASSA
Associated Press Writer

FRESNO — California's contentious experiment to monitor water pollution from farms got off to a rough start this month as thousands of confused farmers failed to comply. Regulators remain unsure how to enforce the measure and environmentalists have sued to impose tougher rules.

As they stand, the new rules require between 25,000 and 80,000 growers who have irrigation water or stormwater running off their lands to submit a plan for testing canals and creeks that eventually empty into the Central Valley's rivers. They had until April 1 to report what they grow, and what pesticides or fertilizers they use.

Water authorities still hope monitoring for pollution can begin on July 1. But the whole process has been thrown together so quickly that no one knows how many farmers have complied — or even exactly how many properties the rules apply to.

Until this year, farms enjoyed a blanket exemption from California's water quality law, which requires businesses and cities to apply for permits to discharge runoff and submit plans to reduce pollution.

Under pressure from environmental groups, the State Water Resources Control Board in February 2003 issued the new rules, which require farmers to submit the plans in order to continue getting the waiver.

While farms don't have to follow the same tough rules as other businesses, they now have to test water runoff at key periods — during irrigation and after storms — and report findings to the regional water board.

Farming groups say only a fraction of the tens of thousands of the growers have taken steps to comply.

Part of the problem is that there has never been an attempt of this scope to monitor the impact of agriculture — a \$27.5 billion dollar industry statewide — on water pollution. Many farmers don't know about the new regulations, and those who do are hesitant to sign up for a plan with uncertain costs.

"This is an overwhelming task," said Bill Croyle, senior engineer with the Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board. "But we're committed to getting things up and running."

Part of the confusion stems from the fact that many people — such as farmers in arid areas, or someone with a tiny parcel zoned for agricultural use — don't know the rules apply to them.

"Water is very expensive for us," said Danny Andrews, who farms 2,000 acres of cotton, fruits and vegetables near Bakersfield with his father, Robert Andrews. He doesn't think the new rules apply to his farm, since they see as little as 5 or 6 inches of rain a year and do their best not to let any run off their property.

There are no clearly defined penalties for failing to submit the required plans and data, and no one expects growers to be fined, though the water board will try to reach farmers who have not complied to notify them that they need to do so.

"The regional water board has to send notices telling farmers of deadlines," said Tony Francois, director water resources for the California Farm Bureau Federation. "There can be penalties if you refuse, but the regional board has not even sent out those notices."

Farmers can either come up with the monitoring plan themselves, at an estimated cost of at least \$2,000 per year after startup costs of up to \$10,000, or join a coalition of farmers to share the burden. By last November, eight coalitions had formed, carving up the Central Valley into separate water basins.

Local agricultural commissioners, commodity groups, and the industry leaders have tried to help spread the word to farmers. But the water board has only five staff members, and no new resources to spend on outreach.

"It's been extremely confusing for individual farmers," said Mike Mendes, the chief of water resources for the Kings' River Conservation District. He's part of the Southern San Joaquin Valley Coalition, which includes Fresno, Kings, Tulare and Kern counties. Only 300 of the

area's 5,000 growers have signed up.

Critics who argued for more stringent rules say the process was flawed from the start.

"One can't deny that this is a historic step, possibly the most significant step in the nation toward regulating agriculture," said Bill Jennings, of Deltakeeper, a Stockton-based group focused on water quality. "But the failure to grapple with accountability and setting a goal that has to be complied with are the seeds of the plan's own failure."

Deltakeeper sued the water board, along with the California Sportfishing Protection Alliance, Environment California, Natural Resources Defense Council and Ocean Conservancy, alleging the new rules have no teeth.

"We were willing to consider a watershed approach if there was a goal of when compliance would be achieved, with interim milestones and standards, but this contains none of those," said Jennings.

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) 302-8003

"World Famous"
Big Dean's Cafe
At Santa Monica Beach

Enjoy the "Beach" atmosphere and the "Big Dean's" morning atmosphere

SUN • FUN • GREAT FOOD • BEER • WINE • MUSIC

Sports: TV • 2 Outdoor Pools • Smoking Allowed
Reasonable Prices! Children Welcome!

1615 Ocean Front, Santa Monica (310) 391-6666

Also open 11 hours daily at 1015 10th St. (310) 391-6666

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

John Cassebe THE DANCE DOCTOR

Two Private Lessons for \$125
with this ad



Salsa
Swing
Tango
Balkroom
Latin
Belly Dancing
Pilates
Lindy Hop
Hip-Hop
Open Hip Hop
Tap/Hip Hop
kiss ages 4-6
Creative Dance
kiss ages 8-6

1440 Fourth Street in Santa Monica
310-459-2264 • www.dancedoctor.com

3000 WHENEVER minutes®

Motorola V66

FREE

After \$50 Activ. in Prepaid and \$50 in-store Prepaid

SRP \$99.99 Annual contract required.

INFINITY WIRELESS 2914 Main St. in Santa Monica (310) 452-9935 • InfinityWireless@aol.com

- Switch to T-Mobile
- Get the best value in wireless
- Keep your phone number

\$49.99
A month
1-year agreement

Unlimited Long Distance and Roaming
with your regional calling area. CA, HI

High-Speed Internet Access



**DO YOU HAVE A T1
CONNECTION FOR YOUR BIZ?
PAYING TOO MUCH? HOW
DOES \$150 A MONTH SOUND?**

Local SM Company Offering High Speed
Internet Access for a Lot Less.

310-393-4037

www.NoCatNetworks.com • sales@nocatnetworks.com

Grand Opening

Bi Z B

Lingerie

1101 Ocean Park Blvd. #113
Santa Monica, CA 90405-4007
Tel: 310-393-4037

15% off w/ad
new reg. \$30.00

Large selection of Lingerie
LACEY SLIPS & CAS • Hot
Dancewear
Stockings • Panty Hose
Custom Made Piece
Wanted a Stylist Service

Free No. 100% Lingerie
No. 100% Lingerie • No. 100% Lingerie

JOE SWIM

Vintage Fashion Expo

The original

Show Sale May 1-2

Fashions 1850s-1980s

Accessories Hats Textiles Jewelry

Men's Women's

Santa Monica Civic Center

Open 9am @ 10am

Sat. 10:30am-6pm

Early buy! Sat. 9-10:30am \$20

Sun. 11-5

Admission \$10 (\$2 off for the poor)

Parking rebate with ticket purchase

www.vintageexpo.com

Students free on Sunday w/ ID & A+ 787-793-0773



INTERNATIONAL

Illegal migrant numbers spike as Mexicans hope to obtain U.S. work visas

BY OLGA R. RODRIGUEZ

Associated Press Writer

SASABE, Mexico — After a four-year decline, illegal immigration from Mexico is spiking as several thousand migrants a day rush across the border in hopes of getting work visas under a program President Bush proposed. Many also are trying to beat tighter security to come in June.

The U.S. Border Patrol told The Associated Press that detentions — which it uses to judge illegal migration rates — jumped 25 percent to 535,000 in the six months ending March 31 compared to a year ago.

Near Sasabe, a town bordering the Arizona desert that's the busiest illegal border crossing area, an average 2,000 people arrive daily.

On a recent day, at a break in a barbed-wire fence outside Sasabe, about 300 migrants scrambled out of 10 trucks and four vans within 30 minutes with their smugglers, who led crowds along a worn trail. As the sun set, they disappeared into rolling hills that hide the treacherous desert.

Raudel Sanchez, a 22-year-old farm worker, said he wanted to get back to his job at a Minnesota ranch.

Sanchez crossed into the United States through Sasabe three years ago, but says the journey is getting more difficult. He walked three days in the desert and was out of water when he was caught in Arizona and deported.

Undeterred, he said he planned to take a bus to Altar, a northern city about 70 miles from the border where migrants hire smugglers. From there, he planned to head back to Sasabe and cross again.

"It's already very hard to cross, but it's going to be even harder," he said in Nogales. "I need to try again, at least one more time, and if I fail, I'll go back home."

Many migrants are betting on the approval of Bush's migration proposal, which faces an uphill battle in Congress. About 75 percent of those arrested are Mexican, while the rest are from Central America and other places, U.S. customs officials said.

In January, Bush proposed a guest-worker plan that would give legal status to undocumented migrants already working in the United States and to those outside the country who can prove they have been offered a job.

Because it's hard to get a job offer while in Mexico, many are heading north now, hoping to get settled before a program is in place.

Mark Krikorian, executive director for the Center for Immigration Studies, a group that favors stricter immigration policies, said the rise in illegal migration also shot up in 1986 when an amnesty was announced.

"Illegal aliens will respond to the messages the government sends," Krikorian said. "When we send the message that we are thinking about amnesty, they decide it may be worth it to try to cross."

Illegal migration had been declining

along the U.S.-Mexico border since 2000. U.S. Border Patrol figures show detentions dropped from 1.6 million in 2000 to 905,000 in the fiscal year that ended last Sept. 30.

There is no exact data on the number of people crossing illegally. But in an indication of increased traffic, 535,000 illegal migrants were arrested along the U.S.-Mexico border from Oct. 1 to March 31, said Gloria Chavez of the U.S. Customs and Border Protection Bureau.

In the same period, the Border Patrol's Tucson sector detained 70,000 more people, an increase of 49 percent.

U.S. Customs and Border Protection Commissioner Robert Bonner attributes part of the jump to increased security. "The main reason we're seeing an increase in apprehensions is because the Border Patrol is more effective, particularly in the Tucson sector," he said.

But Mexican officials are also seeing an increase. Grupo Beta, a Mexican government-sponsored group that tries to discourage migrants from crossing and aids those stranded in the desert, said 56,000 migrants went through Sasabe in March compared to 41,000 in March 2003.

In Altar, a farming town that has become the gathering point for those heading to Arizona, street vendors sell backpacks, water jugs and salt pills by the thousands.

The modest homes around the plaza, crowded with triple-decker bunk beds, serve as makeshift motels for migrants. They're almost always at capacity, said Francisco Garcia, a former mayor who now volunteers at the town's only migrant shelter.

"We're a town with a population of 6,000, and there have been weeks when we have twice as many people," Garcia said.

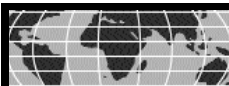
Under new security measures, about 300 more U.S. border agents will be deployed by June 1 along the Mexico-Arizona border. The number of border agents assigned to the Tucson sector will eventually increase from 1,800 to 2,500, Bonner said.

Many of the additional agents already have been sent to the Tohono O'odham Indian reservation, an area west of Sasabe where illegal migrant traffic has ballooned, said Border Patrol spokesman Charles Griffin.

The heightened border security is driving more migrants to more treacherous desert routes between Sonoyta and San Luis Rio Colorado in western Arizona, said Enrique Enriquez, an agent with Mexico's Grupo Beta.

"Migrants are telling us they're crossing through Sonoyta because there are fewer Border Patrol agents there," Enriquez said. "But with the new changes, we expect more migrants will start going west of there," where there are even fewer roads and people to help stranded migrants.

Grupo Beta plans to assign rescuers to Sonoyta in May, Enriquez said. Every year, hundreds of migrants die in the desert, where temperatures soar above 100 degrees in summer.



WORLD BRIEFLY

Teenagers killed in Thailand

By The Associated Press

PATTANI, Thailand — Scores of teenage militants armed with little more than machetes attacked security outposts across Thailand's troubled Muslim-dominated south Wednesday, but they were repulsed by police who had been tipped off to the offensive. At least 107 militants were killed.

The last of the raids was quashed when police fired tear gas into a mosque and then killed 11 fighters who tried to escape. Three policemen and two soldiers were also slain in the fighting.

It was the worst violence in a region that has seen dozens of people killed in near-daily of attacks this year. The government has blamed Islamic separatists who have sought to carve out a homeland in the Muslim-majority south of this predominantly Buddhist country for decades.

Prime Minister Thaksin Shinawatra denied the attackers had connections to international terrorists. Officials said the attacks were bids to steal weapons from checkpoints and military bases.

"Most of the insurgents are youths from the southern provinces," he said. "Their acts are not linked with international terrorists."

German leader urges fight against anti-Semitism

By The Associated Press

BERLIN — Germany's president appealed to European governments Wednesday to step up the fight against anti-Semitism as he opened a 55-nation conference in which Jewish groups are calling for a high-profile official to spearhead the effort and a commitment to stricter law enforcement.

Johannes Rau said anti-Semitism is no longer being perpetrated by the state as it was by Nazi Germany, and that it is now up to governments to find ways to combat it.

"It is not good that a conference has to take place on this issue in 2004," Rau said.

Foreign ministers from a swath of Europe and Secretary of State Colin Powell were expected to address the two-day meeting in Berlin amid reports of a rise in anti-Semitic attacks last year.

Police have imposed heavy security in downtown Berlin for the gathering of the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe, the third major conference in Europe to address anti-Semitism in the past year.

Youths from large Arab communities in France, Belgium and other European countries have been blamed for attacks on Jewish property and individuals that have increased as violence surged in the Middle East.

12-year-old fatally chokes girl

By The Associated Press

CARROLLTON, Ga. — Police say a 12-year-old boy used his hands to strangle a third-grader who disappeared while riding her bicycle to a nearby friend's house.

Amy Michelle Yates, 8, was found dead Monday night, hours after she went missing. Tuesday afternoon, the boy was arrested and charged with murder.

Carroll County Sheriff Terry Langley and Chief Deputy Sheriff Brad Robinson would not disclose what led investigators to the boy, whose name was withheld because he is a juvenile. He was being held in the Paulding County Youth Detention Center in Dallas, Ga.

Many of Amy's neighbors helped her parents search the area late Monday after they learned she never arrived at her friend's home.

Her body was found in tall weeds about 100 feet outside the Twin Oaks Mobile Home Park.

Amy would have turned 9 on May 5. Neighbors described her as a bright, energetic girl who made friends easily.

Black Hawk spotted by trucker

By The Associated Press

FLORENCE, S.C. — A truck driver spotted the wreckage of an Army helicopter on a river bank after it vanished during a training mission in bad weather, and searchers later recovered the bodies of the three soldiers who were aboard.

The wreckage of the UH-60 Black Hawk was found Tuesday night near a bridge off Interstate 95, about 100 miles northeast of Columbia, said Maj. Rich Patterson, a Fort Bragg spokesman at the command post here. The soldiers' bodies were recovered later.

The helicopter was reported missing Monday night during a flight from Fort Bragg, N.C., to Florence that involved training with night vision goggles.

Rain and thunderstorms moved across South Carolina on Monday evening, but Army officials said the weather should not have been a factor in the helicopter's disappearance. The Army is investigating the cause of the accident.

Bush goes on offensive for bioterror attacks

By The Associated Press

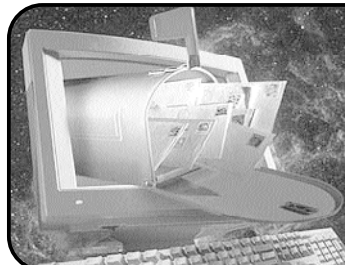
WASHINGTON — President Bush, who has made national security the centerpiece of his campaign for re-election, has signed an order designed to improve the nation's defenses against bioterror attacks.

The presidential directive, which Bush signed last week, attempts to plug gaps in the nation's biodefenses, an administration official said on condition of anonymity.

An unclassified version of the directive was being released at a briefing Wednesday.

The directive works to coordinate what the government already is doing to protect food and water supplies, for example.

The Bush administration would not release the directive on Tuesday, but memos posted on the Web site of the Association of Metropolitan Water Agencies said the directive "has a strong emphasis on the water sector."



Santa Monica Daily Press
Has an 'E-dition'
Home delivery by E-mail

Check the day's headlines, news stories, classifieds, comics, horoscopes and ads all before you leave the house!

FREE SUBSCRIPTIONS AVAILABLE!

For more information, please call:
310.458.Press (7737) or sign up on
our Web site @ www.smdp.com

Specializing in Leasing & Selling Office & Industrial Buildings

NAI CAPITAL COMMERCIAL
SPECIALIZING IN LEASING & SELLING OFFICE
& INDUSTRIAL BUILDINGS
310/440-8500 ext. 104



Christina S. Porter
Senior Associate

BUBAR'S Jewelers

Since 1945

Jewelry repairs while you wait
Let us restyle your jewelry

1457 4TH STREET AT BROADWAY
(1/2 block from the Promenade)
Repair Hours: Tues-Sat 10a.m. — 7p.m.
(310) 451-0727



Leonel Zepeda
Jeweler
over 20 years experience

Measure "S" Senior Exemption from Parcel Tax

On June 3, 2003, the voters of Santa Monica and Malibu approved Measure S, a 6-year parcel tax at \$225 per parcel which contains a provision to exempt senior citizens who:

- Are 65 years old by June 30
- Own & occupy their property as their primary residence
- Annually apply for exemption.

Seniors who applied for & received the exemption for 2003-04 will be sent a 2004-05 renewal form in May, which needs to be completed, signed & returned by July 31, 2004.

First-time applicants may:

- Call (310) 450-8338, ext. 269 to request an application to be sent in May
- Print out the application from our website at: srmusd.org
(Click Senior Exemption, then Application for Senior Exemption)

SANTA MONICA SUMMER GUIDE
COMING TO NEWSTANDS IN MID JUNE

COMICS

The Dinette Set by Julie Larson



Natural Selection® By Russ Wallace



edge city by TERRY & BARRY LEBAN



Reality Check® By Dave Whammond



Speed Bump® By Dave Coverly



CROSSWORD BY THOMAS JOSEPH

ACROSS

- 1 Vaulted area
- 3 Enjoy the mall
- 10 Delinty drinks
- 11 Singer Train
- 12 "Cold As Ever" rapper
- 13 Report card signer
- 14 One-on-one meeting
- 16 Galle's protector
- 20 Gas pump number
- 23 Calamity
- 24 Bank deals
- 25 Specious
- 27 Wholly
- 28 Serves the soup
- 29 Jack, e.g.
- 32 Mug malicever
- 36 Screen-writer Khouri
- 39 Frogner Park locale
- 40 On the train
- 41 Squad
- 42 Basil-based sauce
- 43 Stiches

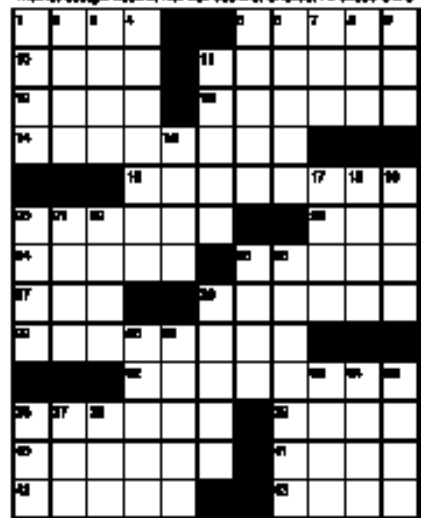
DOWN

- 1 "Don't you wild"
- 2 Print measure
- 3 Blueprint number
- 4 Singer Gloria
- 5 Dishonor
- 8 Part of a sheik's house-hold
- 7 Afternoon hour
- 8 Sewing aid
- 9 Convened
- 11 Nutmeg, e.g.
- 15 Treats leather
- 17 Illegally off base
- 18 One or two
- 19 Florida extension
- 20 Norwegian
- 21 Plum mixer
- 22 Soft mineral
- 25 Unusual
- 26 Stock buys
- 28 Like some shoes
- 30 Black key on a piano
- 31 Nile city
- 33 Under-standing words
- 34 Imperfection
- 35 Some cats
- 36 Top
- 37 Homer's dad
- 38 —Alumnae



Yesterday's answer

More crossword puzzles (and 400 jokes!) in Thomas Joseph Book 2, P.O. Box 520076, Orlando, FL 32852-0076



428

木蘭 Fukuji Sushi
JAPANESE RESTAURANT

\$5.95 Lunch Special
Choose 2 Select Items (served w/ Miso Soup)
Available from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Sushi & Roll Special
Buy 1 get second item free
Exp. April 30, 2004

2645 LINCOLN BLVD. IN SANTA MONICA
(AT OCEAN PARK INSIDE THOMAS' COFFEE SHOP)

(310) 452-2265

Chiropractic & 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

P.O. Box 777, Santa Monica CA, 90406
info@copiacreative.com
310.8.Copia.C (876.7477)
www.copiacreative.com

COPIA CREATIVE

Where creativity knows no boundaries...
Where imagination has no limits...
Where innovation and integrity go hand and 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

Santa Monica Daily Press

CLASSIFIEDS

\$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
Roommates
Commercial 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

\$500-\$2500 WEEKLY make money everytime someone buys groceries.
www.ucanshop4less.com

ASSISTANT COOK for busy catering company w/4yrs/exp. must have professional appearance fax resume 310-649-0264

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

BRENTWOOD APARTMENT Manager team, 33 units experienced, maintenance person, 2+2 Fax Resume 310-471-3123

CARETAKER: LOOKING for kind & intelligent person for seniors in Santa Monica home. Must live-in home and be able to spend time in second home in Illinois. Call Mike, 310-993-2030

CNA MALE for P/T days-private duty case in Malibu. Ten hour shift please call Bonnie. 323-782-0303 Phone 310-456-3950 Fax

DENTAL ASSISTANT M-F 8-5pm. Area of Mar Vista, Culver City, Private office, x-ray license necessary, new graduates welcome. Also, Front Desk receptionist, F/T Call to schedule your interview. 310-391-0699 T& Th 8am-5pm 310-287-0245 W& F 8am-5pm

DRIVER CLEAN record for busy catering company food delivery professional appearance 310-649-0906 fax resume 310-649-0264

GIVE OF YOURSELF! American Cancer Society Discovery Shop in Brentwood Country Mart is extending its hours & needs your help! 2-4 Hours Weekly Terry/Hannah 310-458-4490

MINUTE MAN Parking seeks valet parkers. Experience preferred, no placement agency. 310-214-1888

Employment

ORTHODONTIC DENTAL Office-Exclusive Office in Pacific Palisades. Exceptional opportunity please call 310-454-6317

P/T HOURS Between 8-6 M-F Needed weekdays & weekends at car wash in Culver City. 310-313-5394 ext.4# Andrea

PART-TIME ASSISTANT COMPUTER LITERATE 4 HOURS PER DAY CALL 818-587-3154 FOR DETAILS

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

RETAIL/AREA MANAGER : Chain of Jr. Trendy clothing stores seeking area manager. Traveling required, merchandising & minimum 2yrs experience. Please call 310-638-9938

SALES REP. F/T Natural Product Broker L.A/O.C Area, Sales experience a plus! Salary+. Fax Resume 818-509-2455

SALES ROUTE Career. Break-fast and lunch service 1/2 day. Earn up to \$200-\$300 per week. Must have reliable car. Near Venice/Robertson. (310)253-9091

SALES: 44 year old Forbes 500 Ranked Affiliate CO. is looking for sales pros to keep pace with rising gold market. Top earners make 300k+. Full benefits. No cold calling. Draw/comm. Santa Monica. Visit www.goldline.com or call (310)319-0313.

SALES: UNIQUE Santa Monica based company seeks P/T & F/T Sales representatives. E-mail resume to info@winter-springs.com.

SANTA MONICA Nail & Hair Salon has 4 hair stations for rent. \$395/mo 2106 Wilshire Boulevard 310-829-5944

UPSCALE BEVERLY Hills area Jeweler seeks F/T salesperson w/following salary+comm. bonus+401K please fax resume 415-399-1994

Employment

SANTA MONICA Office Manager/Admin. Assistant/ Bookkeeper, Property Management Experience Necessary Fax Resume 310-471-3123

SANTA MONICA Restaurant seeks P/T servers w/experience. Work dinner shift, Call after 4pm 310-396-4039

WLA LAWFIRM seeks P/T Bookkeeper/Office Manager 25-30hrs/wk. Must be proficient in Quickbooks, Timeslips7 and WP9 Fax resume 310-820-4005

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

Furniture

MATRESS! TWIN & Full Sets \$89-\$99! Pillowtop \$125! 12-20yr Warranties We'll beat any advertised price! 323-757-8927

Vehicles for sale

'91 VOLKSWAGEN Jetta, good condition, sunroof, cd player, \$1300, call to see!! 310-804-5608

INDUSTRIAL TRIKES

@ TRANS-PORT-STATION
3127 N. Lincoln Blvd.
310-399-3392

YOUR AD HERE

Santa Monica Daily Press
Classifieds
310.458.7737

Vehicles for sale



WE NEED YOUR TRADE!

'01 Ford F150
V8, auto, manual, P/W, P/C.
(ID:RA29099) \$15,995

'00 Isuzu Rodeo S Sport
V6, Auto, TIL. Cruise
(ID:RA337000) \$9,995

'99 Dodge Quad Cab
Pick Up, Over Size Tires & Wheel b. Auto, A/C, Sharp
(ID:RG10134) \$4,995

'99 Ford Explorer
Red, A/C, Leather
(ID:R71979) \$10,995

'97 Ford Ranger
Super cab, 4x4, Auto, Alloys
(ID:RA09009) \$7,995

'02 Chevy Tahoe LT
(ID:RA190679) \$23,995

'02 Ford Sport Track
Low Miles, V8, P/W, P/L, TIL.
Cruise, Tonsneau Cover
(ID:R2UD41792) \$19,995

BRING US YOUR TRADE-INS
PLUS TAX, LICENSE & DOCUMENT
FEE ON ALL VEHICLES

1230 Santa Monica Blvd.
310-451-1588

Vehicles for sale

Claude Short Auto Sales Dealer

'94 JAGUAR XJ6
VIN 887617 Private cond.
& disc change, w/le wheels
\$9,995

'97 BMW 328i
convertible VIN T99113 Super
clean low miles \$19,000

'98 DODGE GRAND
CARAVAN LE
VIN 620531 \$9000

'98 DODGE NEON
Low Miles VIN 640904 \$4,995

'01 GEM ELECTRIC CAR
Silver, Legal VIN 014832
\$5,995

'02 FORD THINK
ELECTRIC CAR
Silver, Legal VIN 109861
\$5,995

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

Vehicles for sale

SEHMI MOTORS sales and service Mercede Benz

Mercedes Benz C230
vin A599628
1998 - Low Miles
\$14,500

Mercedes Benz E320
vin A324594
1997 - Low Miles
\$16,750

Mercedes Benz S420
vin A098266
1993 - \$18,000

Mercedes Benz E320
vin C128399
1994 - \$18,000

2042 S. Sepulveda Blvd.
W. Los Angeles

(310) 477-6739

Vehicles for sale

Claude Short Auto Sales

Offering Quality Service to the Westside since 1927

This Week's Special



'97 BMW 328i
Convertible, Super Clean Low Miles 113 \$18,000

Four Generations
of
Devoted Service

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



GRADUATION SALE

'08 Honda Civic EX
Dk. Green, Loaded, Auto
Trans, 4DR, Moon Roof
VIN# 503217 \$8,995

'06 Mercury Cougar XR-7
51K orig. miles, C D
Blue w/ gray leather
VIN#04149 \$5,995

'08 Ford Explorer XLT
4.0 SOHC, 404, 69K miles
VIN#R23720 \$10,995

'08 Ford Explorer
2-Wheel Dr., Loaded
48K original miles
VIN#07039 \$9,995

ALL VEHICLES HAVE ONE FACTORY MAINT. MAINT. ATTE

SERVICE

Come in now.
Your next oil change is
FREE!

A Good Mechanic is Like a Good Computer Guy
"Indispensable"
Tom Flynn is the Best on the Westside!

THE WESTSIDE'S MOST
COMPREHENSIVE OIL CHANGE
only **\$35.00**...

Plus Grand Prix's 50-PT Safety Check

Sales/Excellent Service Dept.

11257 Venice Blvd., L.A. Techcenter (at Lincoln & Venice) (S)

www.grandprixsales.com

310-397-2121

LBMG

Serving Your Family for 21 Years

Local Boy Makes Good

CLASSIFIEDS

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 preowned 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
(888) 319-1661
LAcarsGUy.com

**YOUR
AD
HERE**
ADVERTISE!!!

**Santa Monica
Daily Press
Classifieds**

**310.458.7737
Ask for Mitch**

Personals

SONIA WILLIAMS
Peggie
Spiritual Clairvoyant
Palm Reader
Fortune Teller
310.278.5099

Vehicles for sale



**Think
Green!**

'02 PRIUS

Silver, 2DK, 4dr (20039839)

'01 PRIUS

Silver, 5DK, 4dr (10021331)

'03 PRIUS

Silver, 1DK, 4dr (20087426)

'03 PRIUS

White, 2DK, 4dr (20087436)

'01 PRIUS

Green, 1DK, 4dr (10007333)

'01 PRIUS

Ocean Blue, 2DK, 4dr (10021979)

AD EXPIRES 4/30/04
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
LAcarsGUy.com

Instruction

SWIMMING LESSONS Any Age. Any Level 7yrs Experience Call for Info 310-403-9356

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

Wanted

29 PEOPLE. We pay you to lose weight 310-745-1233

PIANO TEACHER Wanted, looking for a patient piano teacher for lessons in my home in Santa Monica. Call Steve 310-666-2191

For Rent

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

Personals

For Rent

1BD, 1BA Upper level, \$925
Stove, refrigerator, parking, no pets. 2535 Kansas #208
Santa Monica, CA 90404
Manager located in Apt. #101
310-780-3354

1BD, 1BA Upper level, \$950
Stove, refrigerator, fireplace, dishwasher, parking, no pets. 2535 Kansas #202
Santa Monica, CA 90404
Manager located in Apt. #101
310-780-3354

3RD STREET PROMENADE
Apts. Ocean views, 1+1, \$1850, 2+2 \$1900-\$2300. W/D in Unit, fireplaces. 1453 3rd Street. (310)862-1000.

BRENTWOOD ADJ. Bright, 2bd/2ba \$1485/mo. upper, new carpets, appliances, parking, laundry, fabulous balcony! 310-474-5419

CEDAR PROPERTIES LAMBERT INVESTMENTS
Singles, 1 Bedrooms, 2 Bedrooms. \$875 & Up. 310-309-7798.

CULVER CITY Gated Community 1bd/1ba New carpet, New dishwasher, freshly painted. N/S No pets 310-815-1945

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

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 dishwasher and outdoor laundry on a patio. \$2750 310-466-9256

MAR VISTA \$1350 Upper 2+1 Redone w/ everything new. Maple kitchen, crown moulding, stove, dishwasher, microwave, parking 310-450-5476

MAR VISTA, \$1795/mo. Spacious 3bd/3ba 2-car parking, Security, stove/fridge, no pets 310-559-9896 before 8pm-Studio avail. \$720

MDR ADJACENT Studio, gated building with gated subterranean parking, newer building with courtyard area, quiet neighborhood. 310-466-9256 laundry

mm.pknq, 1 year lease, no pets \$895 310-578-9729

MDR LARGE 3+2, W/D, refrigerator, fireplace, 2-car garage, steps to sand, pets ok! \$3500/mo 310-577-0015

MDR PENINSULA. Very large 2bd, 2ba with balcony, incredible canal view, fireplace, dishwasher, stove. 2 car parking, 1 year lease, no pets. 110 Hurricane St. #204 Owner: Seymour Wynn \$2000 310-466-9256

PACIFIC PALISADES \$1995/mo Upper, 2+2, balcony, bright, spacious, totally renovated, Parking, no pets, n/s 310-471-4181

SANTA MONICA \$1475/mo. 1248 11th Street unit F 2BD 1.5BA blinds, carpet, laundry, parking no pets. (310)393-6322.

SANTA MONICA \$1695/mo Beautiful, renovated 2bd 1ba upper, new paint, appliances. 1318 Euclid #11 (310)395-1495

SANTA MONICA \$2550/mo front unit, condo w/garden, 2bd 2ba, built-in kitchen, garage, 817 6th Street, Mike 626-482-0787

For Rent

SANTA MONICA 1+1, r/s, laundry, parking included, gas paid. \$925
www.westsiderentals.com

SANTA MONICA 2+1, r/s, new carpets, close to SMC, painted, laundry avail. \$1275
www.westsiderentals.com

SANTA MONICA 2+2-loft-Three floors. Suite-style bedrooms, two side-by-side parking. Huge common areas with high ceilings and loads of light. Fireplace, dishwasher, lots of closet space. Private ROOFTOP patio. 820 Bay St. \$2595 310-466-9258

SANTA MONICA \$1580/mo, 2bd 1.5ba Upper, Double enclosed garage, fresh paint, water paid No pets (818)222-5683.

SANTA MONICA ADJ. 2bd/2ba \$1800/mo Mar Vista 3bd/2.75ba \$2850/mo, fenced yards, w/d hookups, garages, pets ok 310-452-4700

SANTA MONICA Beach Studio, Classic Spanish Duplex great for surfing, bicycling, skating, street parking. No pets, lease \$1050 Open House Sun/1-4 310-450-2440

SANTA MONICA Cottage, r/s, patio, yard, quiet local, 2 closets tiled floors \$825
www.westsiderentals.com

SANTA MONICA guest house, carpets, pool, yard, pvt. entry, view of ocean, \$900
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 Townhouse 2+1.5, 1214 Idaho Ave. Redone, 1 car garage, laundry on-site, will consider pets \$2195/mo 310-869-0468
www.howardmanagement.com

SANTA MONICA townhse, 2+1 1/2, patio, lg. clsts, yard, nr. SMC, parking inc. \$1195
www.westsiderentals.com

SANTA MONICA \$2400/mo 833 5th St. #201, 2BD 2BA Stove, d/w, blinds, carpet, laundry, pool, intercom entry, gated tandem parking. No pets. 310-393-2547

SANTA MONICA, fridge, carpets, laundry, quiet local, m to m, utilities inc. \$450
www.westsiderentals.com

SANTA MONICA, patio, hrdwd flrs, lg. closets, laundry, gated prking, m to m, \$899
www.westsiderentals.com

SANTA MONICA, r/s, laundry, quiet local, controlled access, gas & electric paid \$955
www.westsiderentals.com

SANTA MONICA, r/s, patio, quiet local, yard, 2 closets, tiled floors. \$825
www.westsiderentals.com

SANTA MONICA, upper, r/s, laundry, 2 closets, lg. mirror, month to month, \$550
www.westsiderentals.com

VENICE BEACH large 1 bd, 1ba apts. Upper unit in large courtyard with swimming pool, 4 blocks to the beach. Gated private parking, laundry room, quiet neighborhood. \$1150 Aaron 310-823-0354

VENICE BEACH. Single, 1 block from the beach. Kitchen, carpet & vinyl, bright & airy. 1 year lease, no pets, no smoking. \$850. 310-466-9256
www.ellynesis.com

VENICE DUPLEX 2bd 1.5ba upper, 2 car parking, W/D hookups, hardwood floors and lots of charm. 1 year lease, no pets, no smoking. \$1525. Available May 5. 310-466-9256

For Rent

Venice: \$875/mo 501 N. Venice 3 Singles, carpets, laundry, utilities paid, no pets. (310)574-6767.

VERY BRIGHT and large 2 bd 2 ba with wrap around balcony two fireplaces, lots of closets and loft like ceilings. Must see to believe. 1yr lease. No pets. \$1750 310-466-9256

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

WESTCHESTER, 2+1 Total Remodel w/d hookups, fridge, garage, yard, excellent location, no pets \$1495/mo 310-521-8828

Houses For Rent

SMALL COUNTRY HOME IN MONTANA NEIGHBORHOOD Designer's one bedroom. Large private garden with brick patio. Exquisite attention to detail. High beam ceilings, wood floors, fireplace, new stainless steel appliances and limestone bath. Completely secure and gated environment, near 14th & Montana. Enclosed garage, no pets \$2500/mo 310-826-7960

Roommates

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

Commercial Lease

**SANTA MONICA
OFFICES 6th ST.**

**ONE MONTH
FREE RENT**

Remodeled Mediterranean Design
Near Rembrandt Windows
Parking, Garden, Courtyard
Janitor, Utilities Included
2-4 Rooms, Short/Long Term
\$1495-\$2450
(310) 395-4620

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

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. D.Keasbey (310)477-3192

Real Estate

WESTSIDE HOTLIST! Reveals 10 best buys in your price range. Free recorded message. 1-877-545-2201/ID#1090 Remax

Real Estate



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

HOUSE FOR SALE!
CULVER CITY
5 BDRM 2BA
BROOKS OK
(310) 863-7643

RARE INCOME OPPORTUNITY IN CULVER CITY
GREAT POTENTIAL! BROOKS OK
(310) 392-9223

ROQUE & MARK Co.

2802 Santa Monica Blvd.
310-828-7525
SALES - RENTALS
PROPERTY MANAGEMENT

RENTALS AVAILABLE NO PETS ALLOWED
SANTA MONICA

1451 Princeton \$995
Upper 1 bed, new carpets & blinds, sweet park only

828 11TH ST. \$1550
Upper 2 bed, 1 ba h, new carpet, balcony, near Montana

624 Lincoln \$1725
Upper 2 bed, hardwood floors, laundry hookups. North of Montana

824 10TH ST. #1 \$1850
Lower 2 bed, 2 ba h, beautiful remodel, steps to Montana Open Sea & Sun 11-4

OFFICE SPACE
1247 Lincoln \$650
2ND Floor of bldg, approx 900SF, 1 parking space, block to Wilshire

WEST LA/ BRENTWOOD/ MAR VISTA

11905 Avon, Mar Vista, \$900
Upper 1 bed, dishwasher, gas stove & fridge, gated parking

523 Grand, Venice, \$1750
Duplex, lower 2 bed, new carpets & blinds, walk to beach

12018 Marine, Mar Vista, \$3000
House, 3 bed, 2 bath, 1900 SF all appliances, patio & yard

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

WESTSIDE ZERO-DOWN
Payment Lovely 3bd 2ba homes. Quiet streets, \$750K-1.2M. Free recorded message 800-577-7489ext3001 Keller Williams Realty Sunset

CLASSIFIEDS



Real Estate 1617 BROADWAY Individual Offices New building. All services included. Over 2000 sq. ft. of space. Fully equipped kitchen. Separate entrance. Parking. Available lease terms. 310-526-0310	Massage BLISSFUL RELAXATION! Heal your body, mind, spirit. Therapeutic, Swedish, Deep-tissue. Energy balancing. Strictly non-sexual. Introductory specials from \$50.00/hr. 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 Swedish to light fingertip massage by classy European therapist. Serious callers only. (310)826-7271.	Announcements COME SHOP AT DAYBREAK DESIGNS! A grass-roots business for women in transition. Quality hand-made arts & crafts in time for Mother's Day. Daybreak Shelter Friday, April 30, 11am-7pm & Saturday May 1, 11am-7pm 1610 7th St. & Colorado 310-450-0650 ALZHEIMER'S SUPPORT GROUP meeting. Last Wednesday of the month; at Sunrise Assisted Living, Pacific Palisades call (310)573-9545/Linda. Business Opps BECOME DEBT FREE and Financially Secure for only \$25 a month!! Recorded message 800-887-1090 Yard Sales TWO FAMILY Garage Sale!! Sunday 5/2 8am-12pm Furniture, Baby stuff, much more! 2428 Hill St.	Yard Sales DAYBREAK DESIGNS presents Excellent Jewelry and Crafts 1610 7th Street corner of 7th & Colorado Friday 4/30 11am-7pm Saturday 5/1 11am-7pm GIANT BOOK ONLY SALE! THOUSANDS OF TITLES! Garage in Alley 627 9th Street \$1/\$3 7am-Noon Saturday May 1. Health/Beauty GET THE VERY BEST FOOD! The Vital Zuman weekly farm box. 310-457-1084	Health/Beauty PERSONAL ASSISTANTS IN-HOME CARE Round the clock Services ELDER CARE also RESIDENTIAL HOME CLEANING "Professional Service with a Personal Touch" MADE SKY SERVICE AGENCY 323-655-4002 bluekyserviceagency.com BRAIDS! HAIR EXTENSIONS! Full Service Salon Open 7days/week specializing in Caucasian & Asian Hair 5364 W. Adams Blvd. braidsbyasabrina.com 323-937-8870	Fitness Have Fun Getting Fit By the Beach Inspire About Our Way to Wellness Program! Exercise, Eating & Stress Management... All in the Great Program! Located at the Loews Santa Monica Beach Hotel 310-842-5657 www.globalfitnessolutionsonline.com
Real Estate Wanted MOTIVATED BUYER: I buy houses, any area, any price, any condition. Call (310)422-4933.	Message OCEAN THERAPY: nice relaxing massage Spanish & Asian Staff (310)899-3709.	Yard Sales TWO FAMILY Garage Sale!! Sunday 5/2 8am-12pm Furniture, Baby stuff, much more! 2428 Hill St.	ADVERTISE! Santa Monica Daily Press 310-458-7737	Health/Beauty GET THE VERY BEST FOOD! The Vital Zuman weekly farm box. 310-457-1084	Lost & Found LOST CAT!! 20 LB. White & Black with brown stripes lost around 4th and San Vicente, may answer to "Ty-Ty" 310-403-6165

PROMOTE YOUR BUSINESS IN THE SANTA MONICA SERVICE DIRECTORY

Services B.C. HAULING clean-up; all types big truck; hydraulic liftgate -small truck. No Saturdays. (310)714-1838. 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.	Services A1 CONSTRUCTION, framing, drywall, electrical. 30 years in this area. Free estimate. (310)475-0497 or (310)415-7134. MARCO TELECOM: Phone jacks, installation & repair. Rewiring phone line, splitting business. (310)301-1926, pager: (310)351-7673.	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 www.christinecohen.com	Services RATTELCO MULTILINE PHONE SYSTEMS DSL-DATE CABLES CATV-OUTLETS-VOIP VOICE-MAIL-CATSE WIRING MOVES-ADDS-CHANGES AND-REPAIRS Raymond Van Alphen Field Technician 310-451-9515 Pager: 310-844-6636	Services PAINTING TOP QUALITY A&A custom, Interior And Exterior . Free Quote. Jeff Arrieta (310)560-9864. PAINTING/WALLPAPER Painting, Wallpaper Removal & Installation, Wall Texturing, Free Estimates! Glenn's Wall Service 310-686-8505 STAR CARPET & UPHOLSTERY Professional Deep Cleaning 2Bdrm — \$29 • 3Bdrm — \$39 up to 900 sq ft With 10 Years Experience Total Satisfaction Guaranteed 323.871.2917 • 323.863.3488	Services WINDOW CLEANING PROFESSIONALS Residential and Commercial FREE ESTIMATES Specializing in Luxury Homes! (310) 709-1257
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 2425 SANTA MONICA BLVD., SUITE 303 • SANTA MONICA	Services BEST MOVERS No job too small 2 MEN, \$59 PER HOUR Fully insured. We make it EASY. Free prep & load. Discount for handicap & senior. Since 1975 LC 110294 (323) 992-1136 CONCEPTAL CARPENTRY Custom Woodworking Moldings • Doors • Windows Eaves • Porch Bay • Roofs • Siding 310-428-1602	Computer Services 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	Computer 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.	Services AFFORDABLE AUTO DETAIL SERVICE SERVICE INCLUDES 30-45 MIN. FREE WASH, WINDOW CLEANING, TIRE TRIM SHINE, INTERIOR POLISH FLAT RATE \$60.00 THANK YOU FOR YOUR BUSINESS Steve's DISCOUNT PLUMBING DRUMS • HEAT RESIDENTIAL • COMMERCIAL (310) 439-7771 • 1100 S. PAVAN BLVD. 15% OFF WITH THIS AD TOWN & Country Builder. Masonry work, concrete, driveways, brick, stone wall, patio, tile. State/Lic.441191 (310)578-7108. When You Call Ready to Put Up, Call Us! NED PARKER CONSTRUCTION Bonded & Insured • Lic. #CS-029 FENCING • GOLF DIVERT • ROOFING CONCRETE • ELECTRIC 323.871.8869 ADVERTISE! 310-458-7737	Services ADVERTISE! 310-458-7737
A/C CONSTRUCTION Beverly Hills/Beverlywood General Contractor Residential Remodel & Home Improvement Honest • Reliable FREE ESTIMATES — Sabbath Observed — 310.278.5380 Fax 310.271.4790 LDC 104544 Truly bonded	ONE HOUR Alterations, hemming, jeans, pants, skirts, etc. Made by professional Call Michael 310-980-2674	J&G PAINTING & DRYWALL Interior & Exterior FREE estimates References Available Greg 310-391-4362 • Joe 310-403-8247 Give your house a facelift for spring! WOOD FENCING Decks & Carpentry All Work Guaranteed Call Joe Gomez at 310-327-0599 Pager 310-795-3501	HOUSECLEANING SERVICE, Homes, Apartments, Offices & Condos. Vacant/Construction & Professional. Honest & Excellent References Please CALL 213-977-4943 or 213-247-3674	Steve's DISCOUNT PLUMBING DRUMS • HEAT RESIDENTIAL • COMMERCIAL (310) 439-7771 • 1100 S. PAVAN BLVD. 15% OFF WITH THIS AD TOWN & Country Builder. Masonry work, concrete, driveways, brick, stone wall, patio, tile. State/Lic.441191 (310)578-7108. When You Call Ready to Put Up, Call Us! NED PARKER CONSTRUCTION Bonded & Insured • Lic. #CS-029 FENCING • GOLF DIVERT • ROOFING CONCRETE • ELECTRIC 323.871.8869 ADVERTISE! 310-458-7737	ADVERTISE! 310-458-7737



PEOPLE IN THE NEWS

Yo Yo Ma is expected to draw millions to the tube

By The Associated Press

■ **NEW YORK** — It's a TV show that lures about as many viewers as "Sex and the City" did — without the sex.

Up to 7 million people, on average, watch the public television series "Live from Lincoln Center," which on Thursday will feature cellist Yo-Yo Ma and the Amsterdam Baroque Orchestra under Ton Koopman.

From the 1,100-seat Alice Tully Hall, Antonio Vivaldi's Concerto in B flat major and Franz Joseph Haydn's Concerto in D major "will get to a TV box in North Dakota, in Wyoming, into living rooms across the country," says Ma. "This music is intimate and we're playing it in a fairly intimate hall, and the music will reach people in their living rooms."

The two concerti are on Ma's latest recording for Sony, one of about 50 albums that have earned him 15 Grammys.

"Live from Lincoln Center" airs at 8 p.m. EDT Thursday on PBS with host Beverly Sills, the one-time star soprano who's now chairwoman of the Metropolitan Opera.

A handful of Lincoln Center concerts air live each season, drawing as many as 7 million viewers every time. HBO's "Sex and the City" ran weekly for five seasons, getting 7 million to 8 million viewers on an average night.

■ **DALLAS** — John Travolta says the single best experience he ever had on a film was the 1980 honky-tonk movie "Urban Cowboy" — and that good experience had a lot to do with Texas.

"The feeling in the air was of realness, down-to-earthness — there was a real warmth," said Travolta, who spoke in Dallas as part of the Brinker International Lecture Series. The movie was filmed in Pasadena, a Houston suburb.

The 50-year-old actor flew in on his private jet for Monday's lecture, part of a fund-raiser for the Dallas Center for the Performing Arts.

He said he turned down "American Gigolo," one of four movies offered to him that Richard Gere later picked up, in favor of "Urban Cowboy."

Travolta said he also "learned the real term of 'party'" while shooting the movie.

"I was out with a bunch of urban and real cowboys, and there's a photo of me holding a rooster in one hand and a glass of Jack Daniels in the other — I'm having the time of my life."

Travolta's current film is the action-thriller "The Punisher."

■ **NEW YORK** — The Beastie Boys are set to perform at the MTV Movie Awards next month, along with D-12 and the Yeah Yeah Yeahs, a network representative told The Associated Press.

The irreverent awards show will be taped June 5 in Culver City, Calif., outside Los Angeles, and broadcast June 10 on MTV.

"Pirates of the Caribbean: The Curse of the Black Pearl" has the most nominations with six, including best movie and best on-screen team for co-stars Johnny Depp and Orlando Bloom.

Other performers and presenters are to be announced later.

■ **LOS ANGELES** — June Pointer-Whitmore, formerly of the Pointer Sisters, was charged with felony drug possession and misdemeanor possession of a smoking device, according to the Los Angeles County district attorney's office.

The 50-year-old singer, who hasn't performed with the group for several years, was arrested along with two friends Thursday outside Pointer-Whitmore's sister's home in Hollywood. Bonnie Pointer, who also sang with the group before embarking on a solo career, wasn't arrested.

Police went to the house after neighbors called with complaints. Officers questioned Pointer-Whitmore and

allegedly found her with cocaine and cocaine pipes, the district attorney's office said Monday.

Pointer-Whitmore was released on \$10,000 bail Saturday, and was scheduled to appear Friday in Los Angeles County Superior Court.

Ruth, Anita, June and Bonnie Pointer formed the R&B Pointer Sisters group in the early 1970s and recorded hits including "He's So Shy," "Fire" and "Automatic."

Anita and Ruth still perform under the group's name, with Issa Pointer, Ruth's daughter, filling in to make it a trio.

■ **MINNEAPOLIS** — The "Mary Tyler Moore" house is up for sale with an asking price of nearly \$1.7 million.

The five-bedroom, six-bath Victorian home quietly went on the market in early March, but a "For Sale" sign only recently appeared on its lawn.

Exterior shots of the 112-year-old home were used in "The Mary Tyler Moore Show" during its run in the 1970s, although actress Mary Tyler Moore never set foot in the house during the show's production. The fictional character, Mary Richards, lived in a third-floor apartment. Her wacky neighbor was Rhoda Morgenstern.

The owners, who've had the house since 1988, didn't say why they were selling, according to Tuesday's editions of the St. Paul Pioneer Press.

■ **DENVER** — California-based conductor Jeffrey Kahane will take over as music director for the Colorado Symphony Orchestra, beginning with the 2005-06 season.

"I've been a huge fan of this orchestra for a long time," said Kahane, who first conducted the symphony in 1994. "I think it's one of the most exciting orchestras in the country. I know basically every major orchestra, and there are a lot of good ones, but this orchestra has something very special about it."

Marin Alsop, who's been the only music director in the symphony's 15-year history, is stepping down.

A FAMILY OF DEALERS



VOLKSWAGEN
SANTA MONICA
IN SANTA MONICA... ON SANTA MONICA™

Drivers
wanted.®

Volkswagen Santa Monica,
family owned with 40 years in your community,
is expanding our
SERVICE DEPARTMENT
to provide you a faster, more efficient service experience.

We listened, we heard your comments, and we are working
to make you the happiest customer on earth.

2440 Santa Monica Boulevard • Santa Monica, CA 90404

310-829-1888 • 866-LACARGUY

LAcargUY.com™

Our family of dealers include:

Toyota of Hollywood • Lincoln/Mercury of Hollywood • Acura of Hollywood • Lexus Santa Monica • Acura Santa Monica
Toyota Santa Monica • Volkswagen Santa Monica • Pacific Porsche • Pacific Audi • Pacific Volkswagen

LAcargUY.com



LEXUS
SANTA MONICA
IN SANTA MONICA... ON SANTA MONICA

Lexus Santa Monica
has expanded their
**AWARD-WINNING
SERVICE DEPARTMENT**
with a new 15 million dollar
STATE-OF-THE-ART FACILITY.
Offering you, our loyal customer, less
wait time and continued quality
service for your Lexus.

2450 Santa Monica Boulevard • Santa Monica, CA 90404

888-640-8466

LAcargUY.com

Our family of dealers include:

Toyota of Hollywood • Lincoln/Mercury of Hollywood • Acura of Hollywood • Lexus Santa Monica • Acura Santa Monica
Lexus Santa Monica • Volkswagen Santa Monica • Pacific Porsche • Pacific Audi • Pacific Volkswagen

