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NEWS OF THE WEIRD
BY CHUCK SHEPARD

■ During an emergency in December, Westminster (Md.) High School's policy on evacuating wheelchair-using students came to light, to the horror of two disabled students' parents. While smoke filled the building and the panicked students exited, teachers brought the two students to the second-floor stairwell and, rather than risk liability for mishandling them, teachers were instructed to get out themselves, and leave the students there to await trained firefighters. (A month later, a special committee clarified the policy, urging that the students be left only in smoke-free stairwells.)

■ Dr. Thomas Perls, director of the New England Centenarian Study at Boston University Medical School, told a conference in Brisbane, Australia, in March that he donates blood regularly because one of the key reasons why females outlive males is menstruation. Perls said iron loss inhibits the growth of free radicals that age cells. "I menstruate," he said, "but only every eight weeks."

TODAY IN HISTORY

Today is the 154th day of 2005.
There are 211 days left in the year.

Forty years ago, on June 3, 1965, astronaut Edward White became the first American to "walk" in space, during the flight of Gemini Four.

QUOTE OF THE DAY

"Nothing is done. Everything in the world remains to be done or done over."

LINCOLN STEFFENS
AMERICAN INVESTIGATIVE REPORTER

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A solemn day in Santa Monica

BY RYAN HYATT

Daily Press Staff Writer



United States Marine Corps. Col. Michael Walker hands the flag which draped over the casket of fallen Marine and Santa Monica Police officer Ricardo Crocker, to his mother Jeanette, on Thursday outside of St. Monica's Church. Walker served in Crocker's unit while stationed in Iraq.

Nicky Five Aces/Five Aces Photo

DOWNTOWN — More than 1,200 people on Thursday said good-bye to Ricardo Crocker, a man who touched the lives of thousands of people while serving as both a Marine in Iraq and a Santa Monica Police officer.

Crocker was killed last week in Iraq while serving as a reservist for the United States Marine Corps.

The message that permeated throughout St. Monica's Church was that Crocker will never be forgotten because of the impact he made on those who knew him will be carried on for as long as they live.

In addition to Crocker's family and friends, the turnout of mourners included representatives from 15 police agencies, the U.S. Marine Corps and other Armed Forces, the district attorney of Los Angeles, four police chiefs from around the county — as well as several city and elected officials, and the majority of the Santa Monica Police force.

Mourners, many dressed in black and teary-eyed, began trickling into the church sanctuary at 8 a.m., greeted by St. Monica parishioners.

Several posters lined the entryway. There were photographs of Crocker with youngsters in scenic wilderness backdrops, as a participant in Police Activities League outings. There also were photos of Crocker in desert fatigues among his fellow Marines.

Between the photos, there were several salutations from loved ones. One read, "Rick, you were

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Anti-violence activists hail job fair as good first step

BY RYAN HYATT

Daily Press Staff Writer

SAMOHI — The first steps to quell gang violence in Santa Monica have been taken, following two workshops held on the issue earlier this year, according to organizers.

One of the objectives that emerged from the gang violence workshops was to provide job

opportunities to at-risk youth living in the community. Last week's job fair apparently met that criteria, as organizers of the event hailed it a success.

Community activists, business leaders and elected officials said the job fair staged at Santa Monica High School last Wednesday has put into motion an "action plan" which originated from the workshops. The fair — organized by

social service groups, the chamber of commerce, City Hall and state representatives — was intended to help individuals up to 24 years of age secure jobs.

"Nothing stops a bullet like a job," said Oscar de la Torre, director of the Pico Youth & Family Center (PYFC), a City Hall-funded nonprofit group that strives to improve the lives of youth in the Pico neighborhood. "We can take

young people who are selling drugs and get them off the streets by giving them hope. And there is nothing more hopeful than a paycheck."

The first gang violence workshop, held Feb. 26, was sponsored by the city of Santa Monica and State Sen. Sheila Kuehl. The goal was to pool ideas from communi-

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Jacquie Banks

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ARIES (March 21-April 19)

★★★ Sometimes an over-involvement with money causes you to lose sight of more important values. Your family needs to take precedence in your decisions. Check out an investment carefully. Tonight: Revamp your budget.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

★★★★★ Relax more, as your words are finally taken in the way you intend. Others respond to your efforts and good will. Your smile draws surprising results. What occurs in a meeting could never have been anticipated. Tonight: Do your thing.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

★★★ Know when to do little — like now. Someone might not understand where you are coming from. Take your time explaining. A public appearance or an encounter with a boss could go in a different direction than you'd anticipated. Tonight: Get some extra R and R. You will need it soon enough.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

★★★★★ Venus enters your sign, adding to your allure and desirability. Although you might have opted to maintain a low profile, right now others won't allow you to. A meeting is far more important than you think. Listen well. Tonight: It's Friday night; find your friends.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

★★★★★ Visualize what you want for yourself ultimately, especially in the public and professional sectors of your life. Listen to what others share. They really care about you. Someone you meet today or in the near future might not be all he or she appears to be. Tonight: Leader of the gang.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

★★★★★ You want to take an overview and not get caught up in the details. You find that your ability to grow and see life from a renewed point of view helps. A friend could be instrumental in making what you want happen. Tonight: Get away from conventional thinking.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

★★★★★ Listen to a partner, dear friend or associate. You might not agree with him or her, but for the moment, respect this person's logic. You draw others to you, as if you're honey and they are bees. Enjoy. Tonight: You gleam, but focus on that special person.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

★★★★★ Make it your pleasure to go along with others. You show that you care through understanding. Clearly, your way isn't the only way. A new opportunity or person has a way of helping you understand others. Tonight: Do something totally different.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

★★★ You might be left holding the bag, at least at work. Ultimately, you don't mind if you have to postpone some plans. A partner or associate appreciates all the effort you put in for him or her. Tonight: Allow someone to dote on you.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

★★★★★ Add that lighthearted touch, and others will respond well. In fact, where many might be stumped, you find a solution. A partner, friend or co-worker expresses appreciation for your efforts. Say yes to a spontaneous invitation. Tonight: Give up being serious.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

★★★ Head home as early as possible. A new interest or project could not only occupy your thoughts but also become a source of great pleasure. Choose some much-needed private time, even if it is to complete a work-related matter. Tonight: Stay close to home.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

★★★★★ You say and do the unexpected. How you deal with a loved one might surprise even you. Your gentleness comes through when dealing with a special person. Your caring efforts will be better received if you don't act so unpredictably. Tonight: Go with your imagination.

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LOCAL



COMMUNITY BRIEFS

Chew the fat at free health education forum

By Daily Press staff

St. John’s Health Center’s Flora L. Thornton Community Education Program is set to counter obesity with education. A forum dedicated to addressing the impact of obesity in the community will teach participants the dangers of obesity and ways to prevent it. The forum, which features Richard J. Jackson, M.D., M.P.H., and state public health officer at the California Department of Health Services Francine Ratner Kaufman, M.D., a nationally-known authority on diabetes and obesity, will be presided over by Assemblymember Fran Pavley 41st District, California Legislature. The program is presented in conjunction with St. John’s Health Center’s Flora L. Thornton Community Health Education Program.

The event, which will take place at the Fairmont Miramar Hotel, is a forum for parents, teachers, medical professionals, and civic and community leaders to address growing concerns about the effect of obesity on both individuals and the community, and to discuss possible solutions to the crisis.

Both speakers are experts on the health problems related to obesity, according to officials. Dr. Jackson is currently providing leadership and oversight in addressing how obesity affects productivity in the workplace and Dr. Kaufman, Head of The Center for Diabetes, Endocrinology and Metabolism at Children’s Hospital Los Angeles, has authored a new book on the topic: “The Obesity-Diabetes Epidemic That Threatens America — And What We Must Do to Stop it.” Kaufman is also the immediate past president of The American Diabetes Association.

In addition to addressing obesity’s effects on the workplace, schools and the community, the speakers will also discuss how individuals can achieve a healthier lifestyle, including increasing activities and choosing more nutritious food. Those attending the forum will be encouraged to take part in the discussion.

The St. John’s Health Center’s Flora L. Thornton Community Health Education Program provides free health forums and other education programs for the community.

It also offers programs entitled: Freedom from Smoking, Lose Weight for Good and Diabetes Management.

The “Challenging the Obesity Epidemic” forum will take place on Wednesday, June 8 from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. at the Fairmont Miramar Hotel, 101 Wilshire Blvd., Santa Monica. There is no cost to attend, but reservations are mandatory. For more information or to make reservations, please call (310) 829-8453.

Samohi students on to something big

By Daily Press staff

Santa Monica High School students have recently shined in the community. The scholarship coordinator for Santa Monica High School, Ada Hollie, nominated 11 students who met the criteria for an Emblem Club Scholarship. This scholarship is based on academic achievement, community service and personality, officials say. Ann Scully, chairperson of the scholarship committee and her colleagues selected Caelain Coffman, Monica Cowan, Jimmy Maldonado and Julian Turner as winners. They were each presented a check for \$500, and the nominees and their families were hosted for dinner at the May social.

Scholarship winners have various plans for the future. Coffman will be attending Loyola Marymount University in Westchester and will major in psychiatry. She has been involved in teenage counseling. Cowan has a scholarship at Yale University and will be studying engineering. Maldonado will be majoring in neuroscience at UCLA, and Turner will be attending Pepperdine University and specializing in telecommunications. Ken Miller, president of the Santa Monica Emblem Club, who was unable to be in attendance, had previously stated that “The future was in good hands, when we had boys and girls like these graduating from high school. When you looked at the hours worked, the community and school activities, and the tough classes, it was amazing to find such academic standing.” For more information, call Curt Curtiss (310) 645-8989.

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MONDAY	10:20	-0.2	11:10	2.1	3:06	4.6	5:23	4.6
TUESDAY	11:13	0.2	12:24	1.4	11:13	0.2	12:24	1.4
WEDNESDAY	12:24	1.4	11:59	0.7	6:00	3.9	6:39	5.5
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Staffers within City Hall are proposing significant utility rate increases for Santa Monicans because they say the money is running out. However, as they analyze the city budget prior to its adoption in June, City Council members are questioning why and if the rate increases are necessary.

Staff says solid-waste, water, wastewater and stormwater fund balances have been decreasing to varying degrees over the last four years. So, the costs are most likely going to be passed to the

users.

So this week, Q-Line wants to know, “Do you support rate increases on your utility bills to restore the fund balances to healthy levels? How much are you willing to pay?”

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OPINION

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Water quality report was too quality

Editor:

Could anyone tell us how much the recently mailed Santa Monica's "Annual Water Quality Report, May 2005" cost to print? It certainly is impressive, not only as beautiful art work, great photography and publicity, but a waste of taxpayers' dollars. Printed in full color, glossy paper, fabulous art work on the cover, you would think it was conceived by a Madison Avenue advertising firm. As far as I know, there is no competition for the water service. This is simply an informational pamphlet, not a travel brochure. It could and should have been printed at the lowest possible cost to the taxpayers' wallet. But then, perhaps it should be saved for future generations to appreciate how Santa Monica City Hall had money to burn in 2005.

Jean-Claude Demirdjian
Santa Monica

Poison in our parks prompts questions

Editor:

The poisoning of squirrels in the northern portion of Palisades Park seems rather crude and unsafe considering that there are no signs posted notifying park users about the green poison boxes chained to the fences. Are these squirrels being blamed for the instability of the hillside, or is there a disease issue? If the latter is the case, then signs should be posted regarding the outbreak of whatever has led to the poison boxes.

As a frequent park user, it's rather disturbing to see these squirrels (many newborns) dying a slow, agonizing death, only to have crows fly in and pick and grab them in their weakened state as children are playing nearby (as happened this weekend). Not exactly a relaxing and civil park environment, especially since the squirrels are much more welcome to park residents in comparison to the scores of homeless who have ruined the southern portion of Palisades Park.

Geoff Shackelford
Santa Monica

Call off the dogs

Editor:

I've been surprised by the vehemence and vitriol coming from the anti-dog crowd in recent months over the proposed off-leash experiment at Santa Monica State Beach. And Ben Jacobs' letter in last Friday's SMDP (SMDP, May 27, page 4) was perhaps the most jaw-dropping example.

Jacobs' opposition hinges on four issues: water quality, safety, cost and the beloved snowy plover.

Let's examine his arguments, in turn. Water quality issues certainly are a concern — but only if you assume that dog lovers will leave their hounds' feces lying around for the tide to come in. As someone who has long taken his labrador on the public beaches at night and early morning, I can tell you that it's far easier to pick up poop in its entirety from sand than grass, and that given the probationary nature of this experiment — and peer pressure — everyone will make sure the poop is scooped. I also know this from taking my dog to the local Santa Monica dog park for many years, everybody makes sure no droppings are left lying around.

Which also brings us to the issue of safety. Jacobs may cite problems in Long Beach — or Valparaiso or Timbuktu for that matter — but a rather better example for him would be to look at the local dog parks, which have run for many years without safety issues, attacks on humans, mass dogfights or any of the other phantoms Jacobs conjures up. It is these very same people — responsible Santa Monica dog owners, who know just how precious this resource will be, and how hard it was to get — who will be responsible for keeping everything peaceable and their dogs under control. Based on their record hitherto, I think we can trust them. And so it follows that his concerns about costs for additional animal control or park rangers are rendered moot.

And then there is Jacobs' beloved snowy plover. Sorry, but if we are so concerned about the plight of two dozen birds why don't we ban beach going altogether? After all, it's humans who do the real damage to the beach and to water quality by slathering themselves with sunblock, and leaving dirty diapers, cigarette butts, fast food containers and beer bottles in the sand. You want to talk about environmental degradation? Look in the mirror, not at Bowzer. Jacobs' comments reminded me of a homeowner who opposed the establishment of Joslyn dog park back in the early 1990s. This man, who lived just downhill from the park, said at a community meeting that he would certainly sue the city if, as expected, a "river of dog urine" washed his house off its foundation. I'm sorry to see that such fairytales are still being peddled. The proposed off-leash beach is an experiment, that's all. If it doesn't work out, let's cancel it. But let's not penalize responsible dog owners because of unfounded fears or hysteria.

Neil Fletcher
Santa Monica

Beltway tightening sure beats TV reruns



HERE'S THE THING

BY LARA M. BROWN, Ph.D.

While prime time television enjoys its usual summer break, the Hollywood-for-ugly-people (Washington D.C.) has launched two new dramas to fill the void. "Desperate White House" and "Lost: Adrift on the Hill" may prove entertaining summer fare for those who just can't help themselves from tuning in for a political fix.

Desperate White House involves a chief executive who is rapidly losing power, yet doesn't realize it. He holds press conferences, but no news is made. Still, he keeps pushing private accounts for Social Security and a questionable nominee as ambassador to the United Nations. When his poll ratings fall, his administration berates the media for their incompetence. Then he holds another press conference.

He says he doesn't really worry about things — except of course, for the safety of our troops in Iraq and for his twin daughters. He's not kept up at night by things like, our troops' safety in Afghanistan (we are still pursuing bin Laden, right?), North Korea's nuclear capabilities, or South Korea's leap-frogging ahead of the United States in stem cell research. He doesn't make people feel safe any longer, but he's oblivious.

This show's dramatic tension revolves around one question. Will he adapt, learn, and change to the political circumstances he finds himself in? Or will this president continue down the road he is on?

It's a lot like watching a car chase. While you don't know how long it will last (can it last 42 more months?), where exactly all of the twists and turns will be, how much destruction or how many people might get hurt, you do know that it doesn't ever end well for the person in the vehicle being pursued. Desperate White House is likely to only get worse (or better, depending on your perspective) as the season progresses.

Lost: Adrift on the Hill may prove to be the more interesting show of the summer. The storyline involves three majority party leaders all with very different political make-ups who are trying to deal with the lowest poll ratings from the American people that they have had in ten years.

The Speaker is a consensus builder who has effectively bridged divide after divide within his own party to produce

legislation. While he is aligned with the White House, he is acutely aware that his members need to have a winning 2006 electoral strategy. He typically works behind the scenes and in back rooms. The question is: Will he come out front to save his party?

The leader is an abrasive, win-at-all costs politician facing multiple ethics charges. He has significant support within his party, including from the Speaker, but the question is: Will he prove a liability to his friends? Will the members of his own party decide he has embarrassed them and that he has gone too far? Will they need to distance themselves from him before 2006 or can they afford to stay in his corner? Only the Ethics Committee's investigation will reveal these answers.

The senator is an ambitious politician aiming at the White House in 2008, but he can't seem to figure out the politics necessary to lead his chamber or his party. He seems to be floundering in the partisan politics of his time. He probably should either go into lobbying or go back to medicine when he is out of the Senate in 2007, but his pride seems to have gotten the better of him. The question is: How much longer can he survive the presidential game?

Lost: Adrift on the Hill also has all sorts of minor actors who confront, obstruct, contradict, expose, and ridicule the major players. While clearly they're all stuck on an island without much hope of finding a way off, they at least have danger, excitement, surprises, and strange romances (Sens. Santorum and Clinton sponsoring a bill together?) to keep the narratives moving along until the characters join them in 2007.

Here's The Thing:

Politics recently has had all the drama of a weekly television show, and it is likely to continue this way for a while. Don't be taken aback. It's the time in the cycle for it. The second terms of presidents are generally when the scandals erupt, the politics become fiercer, and the institutional pressures separate the branches.

The simple reason: Everyone in the system begins to jockey for power and position, looking towards the open presidential seat. As a citizen, the best thing you can do is not fight it, politics has its seasons. If you can, sit back and enjoy the view. It's likely to be quite a show.

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COMMENTARY



Planting it in a plane is matter of strategy

PISTACHIO PERSPECTIVE

BY SUSAN ANN CONNOR



Personal satisfaction flowed through my veins as groups "B" and "C" piled into the Southwest aircraft. I was breathin' easy, 'cause I had landed that choice aisle seat and ample bin space directly above. I wasn't smug, but I have to admit I felt a bit like a smarty pants being in the "A" group.

Staying up past my bedtime to qualify on their Web site for a guaranteed "A" group boarding pass (better known as first-in-line) had paid off. I was on my way home from a fun family Memorial weekend, and I didn't want it ruined by having to occupy the supreme galactic punishment — a middle seat.

One by one, the "B" and "C" faces scoped out the seat situation and overhead opportunities. Some still hopeful. Some plain glum. And some simply resigned to being squishified for the next one and a quarter hours.

At the time I placed my happy derriere in seat 8C, the middle seat was vacant. Of course, it was vacant. Middle seats are losers. The last ones picked. As people passed my row, you could sense their disdain at the empty center seat. I began to feel compassion, not only for the passengers, but for the sweet seat beside me. I thought, "Don't worry little seat, someone will want you."

Soon competition for that more comfortable location swelled the cabin. I overheard a twenty-something whisper to her friend, "See that aisle seat up there. Push through and go spit on it." Her friend turned back and gave her a dirty look. "Hey dude, I was only kidding," she said out loud. I don't think she was.

Then one row in front of me, opposite side, was a middle-seat marauder. Nabbing an aisle seat, she was now at work hoarding the center seat next to her. She had plopped her extra-large purse on top of it and was busy exuding territorial body-language. I knew it was all in vain, because the pleasant flight attendant told me it was a full flight. But it was all rather entertaining to watch.

Actually, who could blame her? If you're over five foot, two inches tall and weigh more than 100 pounds, you're doomed for discomfort. Unless you're flying first-class, of course. And on Southwest, everyone is first-class.

As the plane continued to fill and the rear aisle and window seats were inhabited, I knew I was getting closer to having a neighbor. Who was it going to be? What would be my fate? I did hope it was going to be someone who had brushed their teeth that morning and had refrained from excessive perfume.

Suddenly from a few rows ahead, a slightly-strawberry-haired and I have to say more-than-slightly-handsome man looked back at me. I smiled coyly. He pointed his finger at the sweet seat next to me and mouthed, "Can I sit there?" I mouthed back, "You bet your life you can sit there." No, just joshing. I only nodded

affirmatively, but without hesitation.

As he moved in and his bent knees nearly reached his chest, Mr. Strawberry explained that he was afraid to fly and being surrounded on both sides by crying children was not going to ease his dread. I assured him that I didn't have a fear of flying, nor would I cry. And I'd be happy to help with his oxygen mask should there be a problem.

"Good," he said with a flirty grin, "because on my last flight coming home from the far east, the plane was hit by lightning, the engine dropped, and we had

to land in North Korea."

Whoa, that's something to top.

I decided not to console him further by suggesting that statistics compiled by the Department of Transportation concluded that airline travel is 29 times safer than driving. It probably wouldn't have made any difference. Though I may bring it up later. Because Mr. Strawberry would like to have coffee ...

Hmmmmmmmm ... Lalalala!

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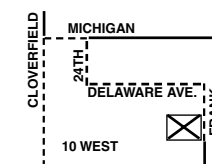
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LA mayor-elect says Dems need to diversify

BY WILL LESTER

Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON — Los Angeles Mayor-elect Antonio Villaraigosa told Democrats on Wednesday they need to diversify.

"We need to look long and hard within our movement," said Villaraigosa, the former California Assembly speaker who was elected mayor in mid-May.

"Look at this room today," he told a largely white crowd at a rally for the lib-

eral group Campaign for America's Future. "You don't see the kind of diversity that we need to build a strong movement in America."

Villaraigosa becomes the first Hispanic mayor in Los Angeles in more than a century. While his victory has been hailed as a sign of the rising political power of Hispanics, Villaraigosa said it was about more than that.

"It wasn't just a Latino victory," he said. "It was about building a coalition."

The 52-year-old Villaraigosa said he knows how to work with Republicans and appeal to voters on a broad range of issues. "I worked with the other side. I realized they got elected, too," he said. "They represent a big part of what California is about."

"That could be a blueprint of what we need to do around the country," said Villaraigosa, who was a national co-chairman for Democrat John Kerry's presidential campaign.

He said Democrats need to show more

patience in appealing to voters.

"I'm unabashedly a progressive," he said. "You take people where they are and you try to move them to your direction. You don't go so far out in front of people they don't feel you're connected to them."

Democrats need to redefine "family values" beyond the current narrow definition given by the conservatives, he said.

"We've got to say when we see a child in poverty, that it's a family value to lift that child up," he said.

Workshop groups say job fair all about second chances

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ty members, leaders and experts geared towards reducing gang violence in Santa Monica.

A second session was originally scheduled in March, but postponed until April 9 due to the murders of Hector Bonilla, 25, and Jonathan Hernandez, 19, who were shot multiple times on March 5 at a birthday party held at the Moose Lodge at 16th Street and Ocean Park Boulevard.

The killings took place in front of between 50 and 70 witnesses, according to police, who said witnesses have provided detectives with little information, making the investigation difficult. The suspects are still at large.

The goal of the second workshop was to come up with realistic ways to reduce gang violence in Santa Monica over the next two years. In addition, Sen. Kuehl

invited regional economic and law enforcement representatives to pledge their organizations' help in rallying around anti-gang-violence efforts.

Among the types of action needed to reduce gang violence, participants said more job opportunities were needed for struggling youth.

Stacey Serber, an employment specialist with the Work Source Center, a non-profit organization which helped organize the job fair, said 380 job-seekers attended, along with 33 employers offering more than 125 jobs. The jobs available included work in the fields of auto repair, computers, health, retail and the entertainment industry.

Serber said the goal was to help youth secure 50 jobs offered by 20 different employers. She feels, based on the turnout, that both goals were exceeded.

Kathy Dodson, president and CEO for

For more information on the gang violence workshops, visit the Web site at www.StopGangViolence.smgov.net.

the chamber of commerce, said the job fair offered many job opportunities for youth, while at the same time fulfilled some temporary and permanent needs for local businesses.

"It was a first-time job fair we pulled together quickly and worked out well with a wide variety of companies that were there," Dodson said. "If it is successful, it may become an annual event."

De la Torre said the PYFC helped inform youth of the job fair and prepared them with workshops in resumé development and interviewing.

De la Torre said one of the most promising developments to come out of the job fair is the possibility that some Santa Monica businesses may begin hiring residents who have felonies, and are looking for a second chance.

De la Torre believes the PYFC could help the chamber make sure the program is effective by providing counseling to the employees.

"We promise to offer any employees a chance to help overcome barriers by offering case and time management skills on a continued basis, so that they are not going to be set up for failure," de la Torre said.

Among the goals discussed at the workshops, Nat Trives, chairman of the Santa Monica Chamber of Commerce's board of directors, said the chamber also plans to create a 100 at-risk youth mentor program with the Big Brothers and Big Sisters. That plan depends on a successful grant proposal with the hope of being in place within two years.

John Deasy, superintendent of the Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District, said in addition to hosting the

youth job fair, the district has been successful in creating two new programs specifically intended to help struggling students, which he discussed at the workshops. He said both the community day school and value youth work program will begin in September.

The community day school is a program intended to help students who have been incarcerated get back into school. The valued youth program intends to provide motivation for students to stay in school by paying them to tutor younger students.

City Hall spokesperson Judy Rambeau said the city has budgeted for next year to reach a number of objectives intended to help the Pico neighborhood, which is located on the eastside of the city and experiences the majority of gang-related crimes.

City Hall will hire a trades intern position — someone who works for City Hall in order to gain work experience in a trade. There will be another graffiti removal position added to the city budget. There also have been lighting improvements budgeted for Pico next year, which is designed to build a sense of community and reduce crime.

City Manager Susan McCarthy met with the key players from the workshops with the intent of developing the official course of actions each group aims to fulfill.

Rambeau said that information should be posted on City Hall's Web site today.

According to De la Torre, efforts similar to the job fair need to be continued.

"This isn't a one-shot deal," de la Torre said. "We need to do this on a continual basis and keep the dialogue going on why our young people suffer from violence and drug addiction."

"We can't just have two community workshops and think the problem is going to go away."



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‘Deep Throat’ family ready to cash in on new fame

BY GREG SANDOVAL
Associated Press Writer

SAN FRANCISCO — The family of W. Mark Felt, the former FBI official whose alter-ego “Deep Throat” remained in hiding for 30 years after bringing down a sitting president, appears ready to cash in on his new found fame.

And if money is what they want, Felt’s family stands to reap a financial windfall, according to literary agents, who estimated Wednesday that a book deal could be worth up to \$1 million.

“That is assuming he has a compelling story to tell,” said Glen Hartley, president of Writer’s Representatives LLC, based out of New York. “A book could easily be valued in the six figures.”

As news broke that Felt was indeed the secret source who guided two young Washington Post reporters as they uncovered the Watergate scandal, Felt’s family offered to sell family photographs—the first in an apparent flood of moneymaking opportunities.

Felt’s role in the scandal, which forced the resignation of President Richard Nixon, surfaced in an article written for Vanity Fair by a family friend, San Francisco attorney John O’Connor.

He wrote that Felt’s daughter Joan, who persuaded her 91-year-old father to

go public as “Deep Throat,” lamented that the Post’s Bob Woodward would get all the credit—and profit—if Felt went to the grave with his secret.

“We could make at least enough money to pay some bills like the debt I’ve run up for the kids’ education,” she told Felt, according to the article. “Let’s do it for the family.”

Vanity Fair said the Felts weren’t paid for the article, and Felt’s grandson, Nick Jones, said Tuesday that the family has yet to decide how to proceed. Nobody answered the phone at Joan Felt’s home, where she cares for her father, on Wednesday.

Clearly, interest in Felt’s story is white hot.

“All The President’s Men,” the 1974 book by Woodward and Carl Bernstein about the scandal, ranked as the 43rd best-selling title Wednesday afternoon on Amazon.com., up from about 400th the night before. Requests for the movie jumped twelvefold on Netflix, the nation’s largest online DVD rental service.

O’Connor didn’t respond Wednesday to a request from The Associated Press for comment, but he told The Wall Street Journal that he’s fielding numerous book and movie offers.

Questions remain about what kind of a

“We could make at least enough money to pay some bills ... Let’s do it for the family.”

W. Mark Felt’s daughter, Jane

story Felt can tell today. He suffered a stroke in 2001 and has been in declining health since.

Felt appeared frail when he shuffled to the doorway of his daughter’s house Tuesday to give photographers a brief opportunity to take his picture. His family refused all questions, fueling speculation about how his age has effected his awareness and memory.

Before Felt’s story can be sold, the family must show publishers or filmmakers that he has a compelling and accurate story to tell, said Peter Onsets, chief executive of the publishing company PublicAffairs and a former Post reporter.

“The big issue is, did Felt keep notes or a diary?” Osnos said. “Did he tell anybody or record anything in advance? The impression that you have now is a very old and frail man. If there is no written record, what you may have is the family scrambling around looking for something to say.”

Felt’s family will also have to compete with Woodward, whose own Deep Throat book is being rushed into print by Simon

& Schuster.

Without Woodward and Bernstein’s cooperation, Felt’s family won’t likely have access to their notes, which the pair sold for \$5 million to the University of Texas at Austin two years ago. At the time, they said documents naming Deep Throat would be kept secure at an undisclosed Washington location until the source’s death.

The university said Wednesday that they haven’t received the Deep Throat papers.

Still, if Felt can provide a view from inside the FBI during the bureau’s Watergate investigation, that may be enough to draw readers. And Osnos sees nothing wrong with Felt’s family trying to sell the story.

“There’s no reason why they shouldn’t,” Osnos said. “This isn’t Amber Frey, who fell into a situation and then try to capitalize on it. This was a guy who really was a historic figure. This is the last great mystery of the Watergate era. It’s a big story about a big story.”

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Governor sends family condolences

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one of a kind. It's too bad this had to happen so soon."

The sanctuary was bright and airy, with several windows reflecting light inside from high above, and a golden-gilded dome above the altar.

A large headshot of Crocker in his police uniform and a life-sized photo of Crocker in his desert fatigues were up front, facing the mourners.

Four hundred seats of the 800-person-capacity sanctuary were reserved for uniformed law enforcement and military personnel. The remaining 400 seats were reserved for family, city employees and members of the public. Overflow seating was set up in front and just east of the church.

With an American flag draped over his silver casket, Crocker was carried from the sanctuary entrance toward the altar. The service, led by Monsignor Lloyd Torgerson, began shortly after 9 a.m. with the opening hymn "Be Not Afraid," followed by Biblical readings from Crocker's friends and colleagues.

One of the speakers was U.S. Marine Corps. Lt. Col. William Costantini, who said Crocker was involved in the effort to re-build Iraq by helping neglected parts of the country construct new hospitals, schools and government institutions. Crocker helped maintain relationships with mayors, Sikhs, mullahs and businessmen alike.

"Some men are willing to give the best of our nation in order to fulfill a great need," Costantini said. "Rick was such a man."

Crocker, 39, commonly known as "Rick," was a 10-year veteran of the SMPD and a major in the United States Marines Corps. He was killed on May 26 in a rocket-propelled grenade attack in the province of Al-Anbar.

Crocker is survived by his mother, Jeanette; father, Curtis; sisters, Maria and Marisa; and brother, Carlos. Linda, a deceased sister, passed 11 years ago. Crocker had requested to be buried next to her in Puerto Rico.

Crocker held the rank of captain in the U.S. Marines when he was hired as a Santa Monica police officer on July 21, 1995. As a reservist with the Marines, he had already served in Iraq and had been re-deployed. Colleagues who worked closely with him said he had only been back a few months.

In addition to working with for the SMPD's special entry team, the crime impact unit and PAL, Crocker served as a medic for SMPD's SWAT team. He also worked patrol and had been a field training officer during his police career.

Crocker was accompanied from Dover Air Force Base to Santa Monica on Tuesday by United States Marine Corps. Major Craig Price. Price will remain with Crocker until he is buried on Saturday in Puerto Rico National Cemetery. Twenty-one Santa Monica police officers will attend the burial in Puerto Rico.

Crocker was escorted by his family, as well as military and police personnel, down Lincoln Boulevard from Los Angeles International Airport towards Gates Kingsley & Gates Moeller Murphy Mortuary in Santa Monica.

On Thursday morning, the motorcade — comprised of at least 30 police cars and 30 law enforcement motorcycles — transported Crocker from the mortuary at

■ In lieu of flowers, Crocker's family has requested that any donations be made to the Santa Monica Police Activities League. Checks should be made payable to: Santa Monica PAL, C/O Santa Monica Police Department, 333 W. Olympic Drive, Santa Monica, CA 90401.

8:45 a.m. to St. Monica's Church. Following the ceremony, there was a reception held at the Casa del Mar Hotel.

Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger wrote a letter of condolence to Crocker's family, read aloud by Santa Monica Police Chief James T. Butts, Jr., who was the last lay speaker at the service.

"This is going to be difficult for me," Butts said. "If I falter, it is not due to a lack of courage, but out of an abundance of love I feel for Rick."

Butts relayed how he was introduced to Crocker in January of 1995 as part of a final interviewing process for candidates to become officers for the SMPD.

"We had a lot in common," Butts said about his interview with Crocker. "I liked weight-lifting. He liked weight-lifting. We were both college-educated. We both liked gadgets. He liked to surf, and I hated sharks."

The remark earned a round of laughs from the mourners that rang through the sanctuary in what was an otherwise moving and emotionally-draining ceremony.

Butts went on to tell how he was so impressed with Crocker he decided to hold a vacancy in the police department for six months until Crocker finished his Marine duties that July, a measure he had never taken for another candidate.

Butts said he felt confident in his decision, in part because he felt confident in Crocker.

"Rick never was bogged down with the question 'why?'" Butts said. "For him, it was always 'why not?'"

Crocker was described as man full of life and optimism who was patriotic and loved the Dodgers and the outdoors. And he always chose to see the positive over the negative.

Butts read the most recent e-mail the SMPD received from Crocker, dated May 7, weeks before his death.

"... It's tough on everybody, feeling numb, tired," Butts said, fighting back the tears. "Have a mission in a few days. Not much else to say."

The majority of mourners, including Marines and police officers, broke down and cried.

"Rick, we cry because we miss you," Butts said. "We will smile, because we remember you."

"Rest in peace, my friend."

Crocker will be flown to his final resting place in Puerto Rico. In the meantime, Crocker's body will remain at Gates Kingsley & Gates Moeller Murphy Mortuary, which offered its services for free.

There was a full rendering of military honors before the casket departed. Crocker was removed from the sanctuary to the front of St. Monica's Church, where the mourners gathered.

Three rifle rounds rang out and the flag resting on Crocker's casket was folded and given to his mother, Jeanette.



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(Top) Santa Monica Police Chief James T. Butts Jr. stands over the casket of fallen Officer Ricardo Crocker in St. Monica's Church on Thursday morning.

(Bottom) A pair of Marines break down in tears during funeral services for Ricardo Crocker on Thursday outside of St. Monica's Church.

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Entertainment



Life's a beach for 'Dogtown' scribe Peralta

BY DAN DUNN
Special to the Daily Press

Three years ago, Stacy Peralta scored with the Sundance Festival-fave documentary "Dogtown and Z Boys," a true, though somewhat objectivity-challenged recounting of how he and a group of penniless teen-aged surf rats from Venice, California, took their clunky skateboards onto asphalt-banked school playgrounds and empty swimming

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pools and inadvertently inspired a pop culture phenomenon back in the mid-1970s. On the heels of that success, Peralta penned the fictionalized version, "Lords of Dogtown," and teamed up with director Catherine Hardwicke, whose girls-gone-wild drama, "thirteen," was also an indie hit a few years back (actually, Hardwicke was brought on board after David Fincher, who is credited as a producer, opted out of the director's chair). While not quite as upbeat and engaging as the sun-stroked documentary, the gritty "Lords of Dogtown" succeeds thanks to a creative team that possesses a keen understanding of the ways and means of rebellious teens, an ass-kicking Hendrix-heavy soundtrack, and some revelatory performances.

Kudos to the casting director for lining up John Robinson ("Elephant"), Victor Rasuk ("Raising Victor Vargas") and Emile Hirsch ("Imaginary Heroes"), all of whom are spot-on as Peralta, Tony Alva and Jay Adams, the shirtless standard-bearers of the skateboard revolution who, within a year of their first public appearance at a national competition, became international superstars. Heath Ledger explores the outer limits of koo-koo-cool as Skip Engblom, the stoner-guru surf shop owner who reigns in, but ultimately loses control of the skateboard prodigies. A barely recognizable Rebecca De Mornay (as Adams' loving but damaged mom) and a pimped-out Johnny Knoxville round out the stellar assemblage of thespian talent. Another convincing "character" here is San Pedro, California, standing in as the rundown coastal community that was Dogtown.

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BY DAN DUNN

Keep it fresh, even when home alone

The Imbiber remembers a time when a “cocktail party” consisted of he and a few buddies doing Old Milwaukee beer bong in a low-rent, off-campus apartment. Boy, I miss the old days. But enough about last summer ...

Whether you’re entertaining a group of friends, enjoying some solitary time at the end of the workday, or bracing yourself for another nerve-racking Dodgers game, there’s something special about a well-prepared drink from a proper home bar. To that end, I’ve compiled a few tips that will help you become the master mixologist that you long to be.

Get fresh whenever possible. Ready-made mixers are for crude barbarians and frat boys. Discerning bibulators use fresh fruits and juices in their recipes. In the bar, as in the kitchen, fresh ingredients make the difference.

Stemware. Is bigger really better? The answer is no. Not only do smaller glasses look classier, they hold a better drink. Extra-large cocktails get warm while you’re struggling to finish them, as well as get watered down with melting ice. Which brings me to ...

Ice cubes — size matters. Larger, solid cubes not only melt more slowly, they don’t break up as much when you’re shaking your cocktails.

Play with fire. If you really want to impress your guests (and are fresh out of Old Milwaukee and clean funnels), try “flaming” an orange peel as a finishing touch on a cosmopolitan. Thinly slice off a piece of orange peel — a circle, about one inch in diameter. Light a match and hold it a few inches above the drink. With your other hand, take the orange peel and snap it, spraying the skin’s oil through the flame and onto the surface of the drink. This simple gourmet touch looks impressive, takes just a second, and adds great flavor to the standard Cosmo.

(E-mail questions, comments or suggestions for the Imbiber to ddunn@metro.us)

Eating up Crowe

BY DAN DUNN

Special to the Daily Press

Exiting the theater following a screening of Ron Howard’s Depression-era boxing biopic, “Cinderella Man,” I wondered how much differently this wholly entertaining film might have turned out had it been helmed by an inveterate prankster such as Ralph

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Malph or a wet sponge like Patsy. Clearly, Russell Crowe’s days on set were happier under the direction of the erstwhile Richie Cunningham, a swell guy who apparently never met a feel-good story he didn’t feel good about making. As he did so well in both “Apollo 13” and “A Beautiful Mind,” Howard celebrates the triumph of the human spirit with a technically dazzling adaptation of a remarkable true story.

Jim J. Braddock (Crowe) was on the cusp of pugilistic greatness in the late 1920s when his career was derailed by a hand injury. By 1933, Braddock and his family — wife Mae (Renee Zellweger) and three small children — are, like millions of Americans, still reeling from the stock market crash of ’29. Stripped of his boxing license, we watch Braddock suffer, swallow his pride, grovel, then suffer some more. Eventually, he gets another shot in the ring thanks to his tenacious manager Joe Gould (a fantastic Paul Giamatti — is this guy on a roll, or what?) and makes the most of it despite near-impossible odds. The inspirational underdog material might have played like old hat had Crowe, who’s been down this road before, not simply refused to allow “Cinderella Man” to be anything less than exceptional. Scene after scene, he reminds us that he is without doubt one of our greatest living screen actors, and Howard has once again provided him with a richly textured role to showcase his considerable abilities. The reliable Zellweger provides stellar support as Braddock’s fulcrum, as does Craig Bierko as the seemingly indestructible fighter Max Baer. The brutal fight sequences, and there are a number of them, are rendered with “Raging Bull”-like intensity. “Cinderella Man” will go down as one of the best pictures of 2005, and if you don’t believe that, well ... sit on it.

(Rated PG-13 for intense boxing violence and some language. Running time: 144 minutes)



‘School’ is out for the summer, and it’s bumpin’

BY DAN DUNN

Special to the Daily Press

Say what you will about mercurial schoolmaster Paul Green’s unorthodox style, but one thing’s for sure: His kids are all right, and so is

his lively documentary “Rock School.” Philadelphia is a notorious hotbed for hotheads, and it’s hard to imagine a rumbling Krakatoa like Green operating anywhere else. Founded in 1999, his eponymous School of Rock Music is dedicated to teaching kids the ins-and-outs of rock and roll, and to that end Green — whose own dreams of

Guitar Godliness have gone painfully unrealized — employs an approach that is part battering ram, part Romper Room. Alternately sensitive and abusive, Green doesn’t abide modern pop or Top 40, and instead offers his charges spirited, F-bomb-laden instruction on the intricate orchestral rock of Frank Zappa and the thunderous clap of Led Zeppelin and Black Sabbath. His commitment to students and craft is beyond reproach, though his histrionic methods will make most modern educators and parents cringe.

First-time filmmaker Don Argott spent nine months at the School of Rock profiling five students of contrasting temperament and ability. There’s an electrifying 12-year-old prodigy,

C.J., who’s mastered the complex guitar stylings of Santana and Eddie Van Halen and seems to inspire both pride and jealousy in his teacher; nine-year-old twins Asa and Tucker are the source of the film’s biggest laughs; while the introspective Quaker, Madi, and clinically depressed Will — who confesses “If it wasn’t for Rock School, I’d probably be dead” — provide emotional heft. At the center of it all is Green, a complex, vivid character sure to inspire admiration, pity, embarrassment, joy and, most of all, excitement.

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Series of car bombings, attacks kill 38 in Iraq

BY PAUL GARWOOD

By Associated Press Writer

BAGHDAD, Iraq — Three suicide car bombings struck within an hour and two parked motorcycles exploded in northern Iraq on Thursday, while gunmen in speeding cars opened fire on a crowded market in Baghdad in a series of attacks that killed at least 38 people.

Continuing violence during the past days has claimed the lives of at least four children, two U.S. soldiers and a Sunni Muslim cleric, underscoring the rampant, random nature of an insurgency that has killed at least 810 people since the April 28 announcement of Iraq's new Shiite-led government, according to an Associated Press count.

Twenty people were killed as a wide swath of northern Iraq was hit by three suicide bombings within an hour.

A restaurant in Tuz Khormato, 50 miles south of the northern city of Kirkuk, was struck during breakfast hours Thursday, killing at least 12 people, including a bodyguard of Iraq's Kurdish deputy prime minister Rowsch Nouri Shaways, and wounding 40, according to the Iraqi Defense Ministry and police.

The blast set ablaze eight cars in the restaurant's parking lot, the focal point of a bloody, rubble-strewn scene that U.S. and Iraqi police quickly cordoned off. Shards of glass, shoes and splattered breakfast meals covered the restaurant's floor as emergency workers raced around overturned tables and wooden chairs in a bid to treat the casualties. Ambulances and pickup trucks ferried bodies away.

Earlier in Kirkuk, a suicide car bomber targeting a convoy of Toyota Land Cruisers carrying civilian contractors killed four Iraqi bystanders, including a child, and wounded at least 11 others, said Dr. Bassam Mohammed of Kirkuk Emergency Hospital. None of the occupants in the convoy was injured, although one vehicle was damaged, the U.S. military said.

"My 5-year-old boy Ayad and I were passing by the car bomb exploded and the blast killed him," Robert Jerges, the child's father, said. "Why did I lose my child? why did he deserve this?"

Another suicide bomber killed four people and wounded four in Baqouba, 35 miles northeast of Baghdad, police Col. Mudhafar Mohammed said. The victims included Hussein Alwan al-Tamimi, 41, deputy head of Iraq's northeastern Diyala provincial council

since January, and three of his bodyguards.

A new online posting purportedly by the al-Qaida group in Iraq has declared the creation of a new cell of suicide bombers called the "al-Bara bin Malek Brigade" and claimed it already has carried out a number of unspecified attacks. It wasn't possible to verify the authenticity of the four-minute audiotape by a man claiming to be Abu Doujana al-Ansari, the head of the group.

Two parked motorcycles rigged with explosives detonated near a coffee shop frequented by policemen, killing five Iraqis, wounding 13 and destroying several shops in Mosul, police and hospital officials said.

Gunmen firing randomly from three speeding cars also killed nine Iraqis in a crowded market area in Baghdad, a Defense Ministry official said.

"There were no security targets there, they were all civilians," Defense Ministry spokesman Radhi Badir said.

The attack occurred in the ethnically mixed northwestern neighborhood of Hurriyah. Earlier this year, gunmen killed the governor of the Baghdad province and six of his bodyguards in a drive-by shooting in the neighborhood.

The massive explosion in Tuz Khormato tore apart the town's Baghdad Restaurant, where bodyguards of the deputy prime minister were eating, police Brig. Sarhad Qadre said.

"I was sitting inside my restaurant when about six cars parked nearby and their passengers came inside and ordered food," said restaurant owner Ahmed al-Dawoudi. "Seconds later, I heard a big explosion and the restaurant was turned into twisted wreckage and rubble. Blood and pieces of flesh were everywhere."

Shaways was not at the restaurant at the time of the blast. Kurds, who want oil-rich Kirkuk to be part of their autonomous Kurdistan region, have been regularly targeted by insurgents.

Also Thursday, a roadside bomb blast forced a car off the road in Mahmoudiya, 20 miles south of Baghdad, killing three passengers and wounding three others, Yarmouk Hospital Dr. Shebab al-Neimi.

Militants attacked an Iraqi police patrol with gunfire and a car bomb, killing a female bystander, plus wounding a civilian and a policeman in Baghdad's southern Dora district, police Lt. Majid Zaki said. Police captured the insurgents and raided a car bomb-making workshop south of Baghdad.

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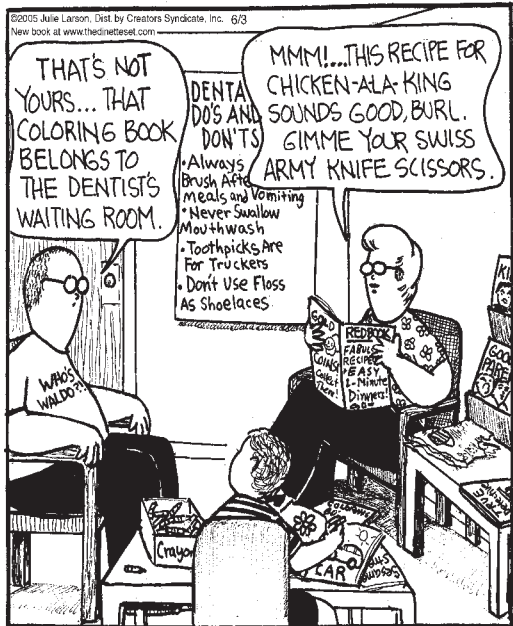
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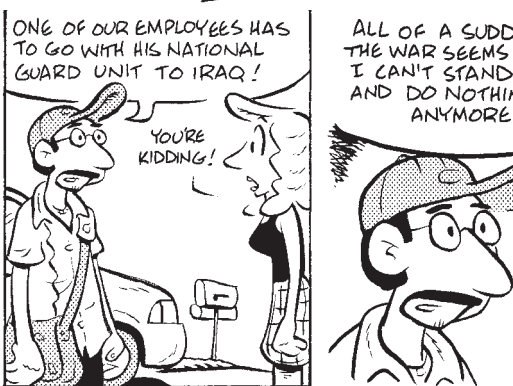


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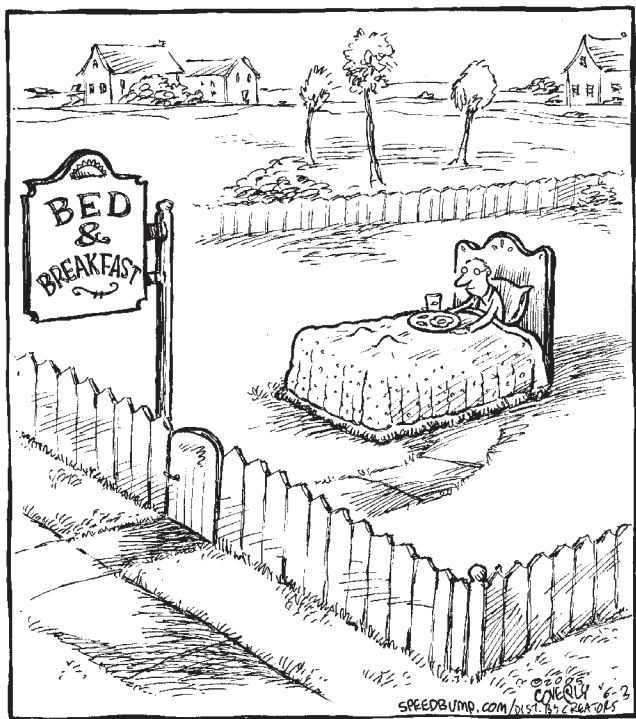
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