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NEWS OF THE WEIRD
BY CHUCK SHEPARD

The parents of wannabe singer-actor-celebrity Marissa Leigh, 16, of Scottsdale, Ariz., employ 10 people for her career development, according to an April Arizona Republic story, including manager; publicist; voice coach; two acting coaches; people to do makeup, hair and wardrobe; musical composer; photographer; and web-master (plus, of course, an entourage of confidence-boosting friends). “She’s spoiled,” said her mother, “but hopefully, it’s a grounded spoiled.” However, on her national TV debut, on MTV’s “My Super Sweet 16” (a party which her parents spent \$150,000 to stage), she was caught saying “I’m a princess” and “I’m such a rock star that I can do this” and “I always get exactly what I want.” Even after MTV cut the two songs she sang, she was optimistic: “(This show) I’ll still put my name out there and stuff.”

TODAY IN HISTORY

Today is the 214th day of 2006.
There are 151 days left in the year.

On Aug. 2, 1776, members of the Continental Congress began attaching their signatures to the Declaration of Independence.

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OBITUARY



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SHINING STAR A fixture at Izzy’s Deli, Hy Katz (left) and Izzy Freeman (right) worked with each other for decades.

Deli ‘star’ leaves a shining light

BY MICHAEL J. TITTINGER
Daily Press Staff Writer

NORTH OF WILSHIRE — Former car dealership owner Walter Parr liked to bring clients and associates to Izzy’s Deli — the self-dubbed “Deli of the Stars” — where he knew upon entering he could expect celebrity-like treatment.

There to greet him was Hy Katz, the legendary diner’s equally legendary general manager, a city staple of a man who was on a first-name basis with movie stars, judges, politicians and athletes alike. The pictures on the eatery’s walls are testament to his widespread notoriety.

Katz died on July 16 at the age of 85 from complications of pneumonia.

Parr would typically stop alongside his guests and wait for the “star” treatment.

“How many, Mr. Parr?” Katz would ask, raising up a hand to acknowledge the regular in a professional manner, before setting out to find them the best table available. Once seated, it was common for Katz to chat up Parr’s guests, that is, if Parr approved.

“He was just a great humanitarian. He always had the time of day for you, your guests, everyone,” said Parr

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Court costs criminal

Consolidation consumes Santa Monica’s time and money

BY KEVIN HERRERA
Daily Press Staff Writer

CITY HALL — The county court system’s financial woes have partially been solved at local taxpayers’ expense.

By consolidating the county court system, the state has saved millions in operating costs at the expense of local governments, including Santa Monica, which must not only deal with the inconvenience of shuttling in-house attorneys and detectives to the Airport Courthouse daily, but pay for their gas

and office space too.

In the two years since criminal cases were moved from Santa Monica to the Airport Courthouse, nearly \$100,000 has been spent by the City Attorney’s Office and the Santa Monica Police Department to accommodate the change. And those costs don’t include the estimated tens of thousands of dollars in staff time and inefficiencies in the system.

Justice has been taxed as well by the elimination of criminal proceedings in Santa Monica, according to

officials at the City Attorney’s Office and the judge who oversees all misdemeanors, arraignments and pre-trial motions filed in the city.

“Moving the city’s criminal proceedings to the Airport Courthouse was a very significant loss to this community for a number of reasons, the first being that it is very difficult for many defendants and others participating in those cases, such as a witness, to get to that courthouse,” said City

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Duck and cover



Fabian Lewkowicz/Daily Press

Juan Rodriguez, 20, a painter from United Paint Co., applies a coat of yellow paint onto a Venice flower shop on Lincoln Boulevard.

STATE

Community mad at ‘Max’

BY SANDY COHEN
AP Entertainment Writer

LOS ANGELES — Mel Gibson said Tuesday he is not a bigot and he apologized to “everyone in the Jewish community for the vitriolic and harmful words” he used when he was arrested for investigation of drunken driving.

“Hatred of any kind goes against my faith,” he said in a statement released through publicist Alan Nierob.

“I’m not just asking for forgiveness,” Gibson said. “I would like to take it one step further, and meet with leaders in the Jewish community, with whom I can have a one-on-one discussion to discern the appropriate path for healing.”

It was the second apology the 50-year-old Oscar winner has issued through Nierob since his Friday arrest.

Gibson said he’s “in the process of understanding where those vicious words came from during that drunken display” and hopes members of the Jewish community, “whom I have personally offended,” will help him in his recovery efforts.

“There is no excuse, nor should there be any tolerance, for anyone who thinks or expresses any kind of anti-Semitic remark,” Gibson said.

“But please know from my heart that I am not an anti-Semite. I am not a bigot.”

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A must appearance, Aquarius

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JACQUELINE BIGAR'S STARS The stars show the kind of day you'll have:

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ARIES (March 21-April 19)

★★★★ Upheaval helps you understand what needs more work, as long as you don't overreact. Extremes mark your decisions, especially financially and with a key partnership. A loved one makes demands. Tonight: Work as a team.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

★★★★ Others react strongly to those around you. The unexpected occurs in meetings and/or around friendships and the unexpected. A family member could be unusually hard or difficult. An emotional situation weighs on you. Tonight: Go along for the ride.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

★★★★ A nice and easy pace helps you toss work and pressure aside. You could want to try something in a totally different way. Think in terms of gaining insight into what makes you feel overwhelmed. Tonight: Easy does it.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

★★★★ Your creativity points you in a new direction. A partner could also take you in a new direction. Your emotions run high and have an impact. Your imagination helps you relate to the many different people in your life. You might feel that you are limited in some fundamental way. Tonight: Pretend that there is no tomorrow.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

★★★★ You come from a fundamental point of view when basics and security are involved. Treat funds with caution. A partner could be provocative, challenging you to go to a new level. You could be overly serious or touchy. Your creativity blooms. Tonight: Anchor in. Could you be overly serious?

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

★★★★ A talk proves to be valid and dynamic. If you think carefully, you will allow more creativity to float up. Associates and friends seem to present challenging situations. You could come up with another way of finding solutions. You naturally say the right thing. Tonight: Talk up a storm.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

★★★★ Expenses could be overwhelming. You might need to reverse your direction or do something totally different. You could be evaluating new possibilities. The reception your ideas get might not be what you want. Know your objectives. Tonight: Don't go overboard.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

★★★★ You make waves, as you can tell by others' reactions. Think in terms of gain and growth. Your lively ways draw strong results. Smile your way through problems. You have what it takes. Tonight: Say yes.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

★★ Understand what might be going on with someone who is close to you. Detach and try to imagine what it is like to walk in this person's shoes. You easily could be surprised by insights that haven't been available up till now. Tonight: Easy does it.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

★★★★ Aim for more of what you want. Sometimes you are overwhelmed and think you cannot deal with everything a partner or key associate is throwing at you. Look at what you want ultimately. Tonight: Find your friends.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

★★★★ Others look to you for advice and leadership. The fact that you are confused or look at others without complete reality colors your situation. Others could be touchy and difficult. Your insights open up new possibilities. Tonight: A must appearance.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

★★★★ You might believe there is another way. Finding it might be a different story. You and others will benefit from turning a dream into a reality. Someone in your daily life rains on your parade. Bah humbug! Tonight: Try a new restaurant.

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COMMUNITY BRIEFS



Photo courtesy

The Santa Monica Chorus of Sweet Adelines International belted their way to capture second place in a national competition.

Santa Monica Chorus tastes victory

By Daily Press staff

It was sweet victory for a local barbershop quartet last month. The Santa Monica Chorus of Sweet Adelines International took second place at the Harmony Classic Division A Competition held on July 14 in San Antonio, Tex. The 34-member chorus, the oldest Sweet Adelines chapter west of the Rocky Mountains, apparently impressed the judges and audience with their 15-minute entertainment package. The Santa Monica Chorus was led by their director of 19 years, Laura Pallas. Sweet Adelines International has more than 1,200 quartets all around the world, with more than 600 choruses ranging in size from 15 to 200 members, and more than 27,000 female members, all singing a cappella harmony, barbershop style. The Santa Monica Chorus can be heard throughout the year singing for civic and private groups, churches and community events.

Santa Monica teen explores Costa Rica

By Daily Press staff

While some of her peers this summer were vacationing at luxury resorts, 17-year-old Santa Monica resident Adrienne Beitcher pushed herself to new heights by trekking through clouds and rainforests, climbing trees, rappelling down waterfalls, camping in remote Mestizo villages, rafting down class III rapids and surfing warm water breaks in Costa Rica. During her Costa Rica Rainforest Outward Bound School (CRROBS) 15-day Multi-Element, Beitcher became part of a self-reliant group exploring the Costa Rican rainforest. "I learned a lot and grew as a person," Beitcher said. "The trip made me think about who I want to be quite a bit. I met amazing people and had the best 15 days of my life." CRROBS has offered college credit for an array of year-round wilderness adventure courses throughout Central America since receiving its Outward Bound International membership in 1994.

Santa Monica-UCLA Medical Center seeks tennis players

By Daily Press staff

Tennis, anyone? Tennis players of all skills levels are now being recruited to participate in the ninth-annual "Westside Challenge to Beat Breast Cancer" event on Saturday, Oct. 21, at the UCLA/Los Angeles Tennis Center. The event will feature up to 84 players in a round-robin tennis marathon, followed by a reception at the nearby Straus Clubhouse. All players receive a souvenir bag filled with various items, are eligible for prizes and are invited to pre-event instructional clinics run by tennis professionals. Proceeds will benefit the low-cost mammography screening program at Santa Monica-UCLA Medical Center, which provides affordable screening and, in some cases, diagnostic mammograms to eligible Westside residents. Since its inception, the event has raised more than \$800,000. For a player packet or more information, e-mail tennis coordinator Rick Grant at ric-grant1@earthlink.net or call him at (310) 823-0157.

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SURF REPORT

SURF CONDITIONS

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LONG RANGE SYNOPSIS

SIZEABLE SW COMES IN THURSDAY...

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TIDE FORECAST FOR TODAY IN SANTA MONICA

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Homelessness not an elementary issue

Editor:

Kevin Ueda's article on prospective City Council candidates (SMDP, July 28, page 1) stated that I believe "City Hall's current programs seem to be effective regarding homelessness." That's not quite the case.

Homelessness remains residents' No. 1 concern year in and year out and I experience it daily in my Ocean Park neighborhood, where I can rarely walk down Main Street without being aggressively panhandled every block or so. And explaining to my 4-year-old daughter about homelessness and teaching her to be cautious and street smart during encounters with transients has been a gut-wrenching challenge I'd have been happy to do without.

What I recollect saying to Mr. Ueda was that I was encouraged by the efforts of council members Bobby Shriver and Richard Bloom and others in our community to push new regional and local initiatives to deal with homelessness, but that these efforts would require some time before generating results. Whereas previously Santa Monica relied on a tired and ineffective "continuum of care" to cope with homelessness, new endeavors such as hiring a homeless czar, instituting a homeless court and auditing the efficacy of social services providers are part of a necessary attempt to experiment with new and promising methods for coping with an issue which impacts all of us.

That does mean there is not more to be done. We must work harder to eliminate the anti-social behavior of some homeless individuals. To that end, we must find new ways, within the limits of our basic civil liberties to curtail threatening and obnoxious behavior. And in hiring a new chief of police, we must seek an individual who offers a bold approach to addressing our two most intractable public safety concerns: Homelessness and gang violence. Finally, we have to get those who would like to change their lives off the streets and into supportive housing, whether at the VA facility or other locations in LA County.

Thank you for the opportunity to clarify my stance on this vital issue.

Ted Winterer
Santa Monica

Harmful effects of 'progressive' Santa Monica

Editor:

The proposed draconian smoking ban seems absolutely insane when it comes to the economy of Santa Monica. It will drive people away from restaurants and bars here to other nearby areas. Furthermore, enforcement will prove impossible, and could have racist implications, as enforcement could be used to target non-whites and the poor of all races. It would complete the transformation of our city into an enclave for the wealthy and the homeless, as well as the residents in the new low-income housing, with no one in between (and does anyone seriously believe the city would enforce it against the homeless?) Personally, I'm tired of Santa Monica's need to prove itself "progressive" by endorsing wacky ideas while ignoring the basic problems of the city such as homelessness citywide and violence in and around Virginia Avenue Park. I wish the City Council would pay more attention to the unglamorous business of actually governing efficiently, like Culver City and even fellow "progressive" small westside city West Hollywood does. The City Council seems intent on sabotaging what good aspects Santa Monica has and putting forth new and nutty novelties.

I personally cannot wait to leave Santa Monica with what it is turning into. And the City Council deserves most of the blame.

Michael Snider
Santa Monica

Smoking ban self-serving and desperate

Editor:

As a Santa Monica resident and longtime health and tobacco control advocate who appeared before the City Council to testify in support of the smoking ban, I write to express objection and disappointment to the comments attributed to the executive director of the Bayside District Corporation and the Bayside District Board of Directors.

The position articulated and advocated by the Bayside District Corporation Board of Directors is a familiar one: self-serving, desperate and not based in fact or reality.

Let me remind the SMDP audience, as well as Santa Monica residents, that the Bayside District Corporation charge is to partner with City Hall to promote and manage downtown and the Promenade.

Self-interest and failure to follow council intent and action is not a best or proven practice when implementing community and policy change.

I urge the Bayside District Corporation executive director and its Board of Directors to reevaluate and reconsider their position.

Finally, I urge the comments attributed to the Bayside District Corporation executive director be rescinded.

Robert Donin
Santa Monica

World peace can wait, there's pig to be eaten



NEWS ON THE EDGE

BY RON SCOTT SMITH

Desperate for a better life, a decent wage for a decent day's labor, for a decent country governed by men unsullied by greed and corruption, he packs his bag with the bare necessities, goes to the corner cantina for one last belt of tequila and a couple gallons of drinking water. It will grow heavier by the hour, but without it he couldn't survive the long lonely trek that lies ahead. He's ready. Ready to leave behind all he knows to risk wicked border vigilantes, foreign jail, endless walking through all manner of deadly terrain in scorching weather. He is so very ready.

But I don't know where to go.

Oh my brothers to the south, ye know not what ye do. Stay home. This thing up here may not be all it's cracked up to be.

But an illegal alien, a working class hero, is something to be so I've been thinking Baghdad for a new start. It has to be fairly easy to get a job and move about there undocumented. Not as an American soldier though. Those unloved, unwanted, unpassported illegals — the U.S. armed forces — get paid barely a living wage while their independently contracted cohorts from Halliburton, Brown, Root, Kellogg, et. al, are making a major killing, pun intended. Truck drivers are reportedly bringing down hundreds of thou — what is it — per month? And if they get spooked on a run they just ditch the American taxpayer-funded truck and get the honor-bound and underpaid GI's to taxi them back to the safety of the Green Zone fortress. No doubt the mercenaries slide the soldiers a generous tip as they disembark, and it all sounds so alluring and profitable — what dreams are made of. Nine billion unaccounted-for dollars has got to be going into somebody's pockets, why not mine I'm dreaming.

But then, Baghdad temperatures have been hovering around the 120's all summer long and if you think that poor guy on the jackhammer over there in Canoga Park has been sweating, imagine 130,000 American soldiers — armed, armored, booted, helmeted, bulletproof-vested — going out on undefined missions to find improvised explosive devices before the IEDs find them, in the middle of sweltering neighborhoods full of natives who mostly — let's be honest about this — who mostly hate their living guts. Just as you would hate the living guts of foreign soldiers patrolling Wilshire Boulevard after bombing you and your country into a living 120-degree hell.

It's the war stupid. Can you hear me now? How can even one blinded Bush enabler have so much as a hint of support left for their Great Needless War? If they must continue to blow hard about supporting the

troops, who they are always quick to point out "volunteered," then they'd best do anything they can to help get those young volunteers-for-America out of that man-made deathtrap soon. How soon? How about yesterday? Either that or get their own flag-waving, Bush-enabling backsides over there to replace them, one at a time. Talk the support talk, walk the support walk.

The Eskimos are walking the walk. Six of them have been called up from their local National Guard unit in Konginginak, Alaska to go save the day in Baghdad. Talk about a body-jolting temperature change. Harold Azean, one of the super six, said, "You never really think of the Eskimos being at war with anybody." Welcome to Bushamerica, Mr. Azean. Come on down.

They say who you associate yourself with defines who you are. Watch out, Bush enablers, you're associating with a deteriorating condition. Something appears to be going terribly wrong with the president. Is he under the influence again?

What kind of influence was he under when he closed his nukes for fruits deal that allows India to develop atomic bombs at their leisure in return for Americans getting jacked up Jamba Juice? Somehow, he said this to sum up that deal: "The United States is looking forward to eating Indian mangos." I know I am.

He violated German chancellor Angela Merkel by grabbing her shoulders from behind at the G-8 Summit, then brushed off grave questions from reporters about Israel's invasion of Lebanon by alluding to the pig he would be eating for dinner. When the Prime Minister of England walked up to him, the president greeted him like a frat brother, "Blair, what are you doing? You leaving?" before revealing how bored he was and how he wanted them to move the damn thing along at a quicker pace. It's only world peace and stability at stake. Move it along. Got pig to eat.

Was Zawahiri, Bin Laden's main lieutenant, right when he sent the message out to the insurgents who continue to roam freely through the Bush-enabled full-out Mad Max anarchistic Mesopotamian Thunderdrome? "To my brothers in Iraq: stay firm, your enemy is now dizzy." Dizzy.

Evil is not as evil as it is stupid. Stupidity is at the heart of evil. Jews hate Muslims hate Christians hate Hindus hate Muslims hate Jews. Get the picture? Stupid. And stupider yet, it's all in the name of God, who right about now must be wondering what he was thinking when he put humans in charge of the earth.

Would there be any need at all for his beautiful blue planet if there were not an innate need for truth, propriety, peace, and compassion built into it? There would be no need for it at all.

Be careful what you wish for, Bush enablers, you just might get it.

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Gibson must seize his God-given golden opportunity



THE WITNESS STAND

BY CLIFF NICHOLS

It would appear that anti-Semitism is to a society, or for that matter to any individual, what leprosy is to human flesh. It corrodes and decays. What before may have been living and vibrant is made repulsive. Nothing of any value appears to be left in its wake and the damage it inflicts often seems irreversible. Such would appear to be the tragedy that just occurred, if in fact it turns out to be true that Mel Gibson did say the oh-so-very ugly things that he has been said to have said about Jews on the night of his drunk driving arrest. But, in it all, I have to ask whether there might be some blessing buried within the wound Mel inflicted.

First, let this be said: Christ neither ever was, nor is he today, anti-Semitic. He was a Jew who loved his people and still does. Having said that, what does that tell you about what opinion on the subject those who are devoted to him should hold? And even though some erroneously may think otherwise, to my mind such people will never be able to make anti-Semitism either moral or right.

Now, having said that, let me also point out something else I think should be obvious. None of us are exempt from doing and saying things we regret and that includes people like Mel Gibson. He is, after all, nothing more than just another human being. That is to say, like all the rest of us, he is flawed and thus in need of the compassion and forgiveness we all ultimately hope to receive from time to time. That does not, however, address the damaging nature of his remarks. To do that, I think he will have to take a very introspective account of what in his life has brought him to his current crisis. Then he will need to take the appropriate actions necessary to effect a satisfactory remedy, which ought to include a heartfelt apology from him addressed directly and publicly to the world's Jewish community. If he were to actually do that, he might not only powerfully contribute towards stemming the odious infestations of anti-Semitism that are appearing currently around the world, but also to the education of many about his Messiah's love for all of mankind. Is that an opportunity Mel should seize or what? If he was not a spokesman for Jesus before, now may be his chance in a way that is even more powerful than what was available to him before.

Could it be merely a funny coincidence that right now would appear to be the very time that such a spokesman is so very much needed? Given the present wars in the Middle East, and perhaps because of those wars, anti-Semitism now appears to be breaking out openly in places more today than at any time since World War II. From the words of Spain's Prime Minister Jose Luis Rodriguez Zapatero to the condemna-

tions of Israel for defending itself, it should seem apparent to even the casual observer that the spirits working for the enemy of Mel's Christ are busy right now sowing their evil seeds of anti-Semitic hatred. And, during these times it is also interesting to me that God seems to have decided to put Mel at a podium now set before the world to speak on his behalf, if he is willing to do so. For me, the true tragedy would be if Mel lets his mistakes, coupled with his love of his earthly treasures, cloud his view and so cause him to miss this opportunity altogether.

From one perspective, anti-Semitism could be viewed as one of many forms that deny who Christ was. And from that point of view, the good news is that it is a mistake that might possibly be put to good use by people who have the requisite courage and integrity to make it so. Consider, for example, the events of a similar nature that transpired in the lives of Apostles Peter and Paul. Early on, both denied Christ on a number of occasions only to be used later by God to deliver his message to mankind more powerfully than they ever could have hoped to achieve in the absence of those experiences. The reason appears to be simple. Their denials, when recognized by these men for the horrible mistakes they were, ultimately led to their recognition of their own human frailties and weaknesses, which, in turn, led to their being appropriately humbled before the God they worshipped. Not until they had been brought to such a state of humility, however, were they truly ready to be used by their God more effectively than they ever would have been otherwise. In short, although those particular mistakes in their lives could have been a curse, they ultimately were used by God to produce tremendous blessings in the lives not only of the Apostles but also in the lives of all those who were eventually touched by them.

In this regard, I hope Mel sees this same opportunity he has now been afforded. Like Peter and Paul, if he has the courage and integrity first to assume a position of humility, he just might find that he has been prepared by that same God to be a conduit for tremendous blessings to be showered not only on him, but on all of the millions of people around the world whose hearts and minds only Mel now has the ability to reach with a message. What greater opportunity could be heard knocking at the door of any man? The question that remains is whether Mel will be willing to open that door and embrace this great opportunity. Regardless of whether he does or not, there exists one fact of which we can be fairly certain: It is not likely that this opportunity will either linger or knock again. Right now the decision is Mel's and the time for him to make it is now. Should he delay, sadly for him the opportunity will soon pass away and be forever lost.

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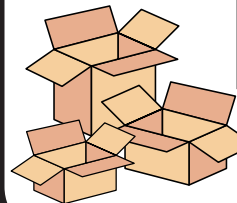
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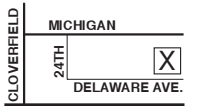
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Clinton on a hot one

Ex-president joins mayors in fight against climate change

BY MICHAEL R. BLOOD

Associated Press Writer

LOS ANGELES — Former President Clinton and big-city mayors from around the globe have joined in an initiative to combat climate change and increase energy efficiency in everything from street lights to building materials.

The partnership between Clinton and the Large Cities Climate Leadership Group — an alliance of Rome, London, Mexico City, Los Angeles and other big cities that have pledged to cut greenhouse gas emissions — was to be formally announced Tuesday afternoon in Los Angeles.

The alliance's aim is to slash the pollutants that contribute to global warming.

"It no longer makes sense for us to debate whether or not the Earth is warming at an alarming rate, and it doesn't make sense for us to sit back and wait for others to act," Clinton said in a statement.

"The fate of the planet that our children and grandchildren will inherit is in our hands, and it is our responsibility to do something about this crisis," Clinton added. "The partnership ... will take practical and, most importantly, measurable steps toward helping to slow down global warming, and by taking this approach I think we can make a big difference."

The pact is similar to one signed Monday by California and Britain, which will share information and technology to cut pollutants linked to climate change.

"Our aim is simple — to change the world," said London

Mayor Ken Livingstone, who chairs the city group.

Many cities have worked to reduce energy use and greenhouse-gas emissions, but most of these practices are not in widespread or coordinated use, officials said.

Using the resources of his presidential foundation, Clinton will assist the large cities to create a consortium that will pool the purchasing power of the cities to lower the price of energy-saving products and accelerate the development of new technologies to reduce greenhouse gases. This will be similar to a Clinton Foundation initiative to lower the prices of drugs used to treat AIDS, officials said.

The new alliance will also deploy measurement tools and Internet-based communications that will allow cities to establish a baseline on their greenhouse-gas emissions, measure the effectiveness of the program in reducing these emissions and to share what works and does not work with each other.

Last October, London convened a meeting of major, international cities to discuss the dangers of climate change. Other cities in the group include Berlin, Beijing, New York, Chicago, Philadelphia and Toronto.

Steps taken by cities could include installing energy efficient lighting for traffic and street lights and revising building codes and practices that make use of more effective insulation, windows and heating and ventilation systems.

Working together, they will also stress the use of environmentally friendly fuels or hybrid technologies for city buses and garbage trucks, and will look into ways to reduce traffic congestion and improve designs for electricity systems.

Jewish leaders praying for Mel

GIBSON, from page 1

In an investigative development, the attorney in charge of a civilian panel responsible for oversight of allegations of wrongdoing by the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department said a preliminary review found nothing wrong with the handling of Gibson's arrest.

"In this case the information reviewed to date indicates that LASD did ensure that the arrest of Mr. Gibson was handled in accord with its policies and practices," said Michael Gennaco, head of the county Office of Independent Review.

In addition to the procedures of stopping, testing, arresting and taking Gibson to a sheriff's station, "most importantly, all information that should have been presented to the D.A. regarding this arrest and the underlying and surrounding circumstances was presented to the district attorney," Gennaco said.

He said an investigation was continuing into whether the disclosure and documentation of information about the arrest was consistent with policies.

Gibson's new statement was welcomed by some Jewish leaders.

"We are glad that Mel Gibson has finally owned up to the fact that he made anti-Semitic remarks, and his apology sounds sincere. We welcome his efforts to repair the damage he has caused," Abraham H. Foxman, national director of the Anti-Defamation League, said in a statement. "Once he completes his rehabilitation for alcohol abuse, we will be ready and willing to help him with his second rehabilitation to combat this disease of prejudice."

"I welcome his words. And I hope and pray that they are sincere and heartfelt," but Gibson needs to show "tangible actions" of repentance, said Rabbi Mark S. Diamond of the 280-member Board of Rabbis of Southern California.

"I don't want to minimize for a moment the hurt and anger, the anguish, his words have created in our community," he said.

Gibson acknowledged "there will be many in that community who will want nothing to do with me, and that would be understandable. But I pray that that door is not forever closed."

Gibson was pulled over for speeding early Friday in Malibu and arrested for investigation of driving under the influence of alcohol.

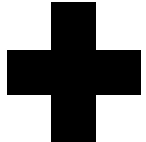
He was released several hours later after posting \$5,000 bail.

On Monday the Sheriff's Department sent its case to prosecutors, according to a law enforcement official who spoke on condition of anonymity because of the sensitivity of the case. According to the official, the report states that a tequila bottle was found in Gibson's car when he was pulled over on Pacific Coast Highway.

The department's initial account of the arrest did not mention Gibson's remarks. However, the law enforcement official quoted Gibson as saying, "The Jews are responsible for all the wars in the world," and asking the arresting officer, "Are you a Jew?"

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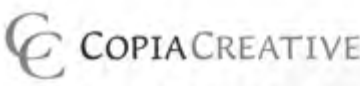
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NEWPORT BEACH

Boy’s beach cave-in

A woman saved her 13-year-old son’s life after following a hunch that the 4-foot deep trench he was digging collapsed on him, officials said.

Dylan Scott was recovering at home Monday from the scrapes and bruises he sustained when the sand fell in on him.

“It’s creepy,” he said. “I just remember something really heavy fell on me.”

Wendy Scott, 41, said she didn’t see Dylan when she returned to the beach after briefly joining her 10-year-old in the water Sunday.

Other beach visitors told her Dylan had gone swimming, but she sensed he was buried in the sand, she said.

Onlookers began helping her dig when she clawed through the sand and touched Dylan’s head, she said.

The boy wasn’t breathing and had turned blue by the time rescuers arrived, she said. He was revived at a hospital.

FULLERTON, Calif.

Mosquitoes have West Nile

Mosquitoes collected in traps at a park have tested positive for the West Nile virus, the first sign of the disease in Orange County this year, officials said.

The discovery at Craig Regional Park prompted health officials to increase spraying in the area and to remind residents to take precautions.

“With the recent rains and the warm weather, there is a greater chance of having mosquito breeding around your home,” said David Swerdlin, head trustee for the Orange County Vector Control District.

The mosquitoes that tested positive were collected from traps on July 19, officials said.

Meanwhile, Los Angeles County vector control officials said they confirmed Monday that samples of mosquitoes collected in the Sepulveda Basin area tested positive for West Nile Virus.

Officials said the samples are the year’s second occurrence of the West Nile virus-positive mosquitoes.

RIVERSIDE, Calif.

Time for fire recovery

The U.S. Small Business Administration declared a disaster in the wake of the Sawtooth Complex Fire, offering federal loans for property owners affected by the blaze, officials said.

Monday’s declaration makes low-interest loans from \$40,000 to \$1.5 million available to those who lost personal, home and business property, Santa Ana District Director J. Adalberto Quijada said.

The application deadline for property damage loans is Sept. 25. The economic injury application deadline is April 27, 2007.

ALISO VIEJO, Calif.

Cat catastrophe

Animal control officers seized 82 cats from a couple’s home after neighbors complained about the odor they were causing.

Monday’s seizure represented the largest number of cats removed from a residence in several years, according to officials with Orange County Animal Control Services.

“We had complaints that the odor could be smelled three houses away,” said city building official Gary Hawken.

Lester McCormick, 51, said he and his wife Nancy, 51, took cats into their home when nobody else wanted them, but had no idea that they had accumulated so many.

“I thought we had about 30,” he said.

The McCormicks kept three cats, the ones they have had the longest, Hawken said. He said the couple will have to pay about \$70 per removed cat.

LOS ANGELES

Referendum against the mayor

Teachers have submitted enough signatures to trigger an internal referendum on their union’s support for legislation that would give some control over the school district to Mayor Antonio Villaraigosa.

About 600 signatures were submitted to the 47,000-member United Teachers Los Angeles, referendum-backer Paul Huebner said this week.

Union members had reached an agreement with Villaraigosa in June that would allow him to share power with the elected school board and the appointed superintendent. Some members, however, have remained critical of the deal.

“This is all about union democracy and letting the members have a say in something that is very important to them,” Huebner said of the referendum.

Referendum supporters are urging the union’s leadership to organize an expedited vote before state lawmakers consider the legislation. The legislative session for the year ends Aug. 31.

LOS ANGELES

Impostor steals from Katrina

A woman who posed as a Red Cross volunteer in a scam that bilked donations meant for Hurricane Katrina victims was sentenced to six months at a halfway house.

Gina Liz Nicholas, of Glendale, also received three years of probation, 300 hours of community service, was fined \$1,000 and was required to undergo psychiatric counseling at Monday’s sentencing hearing.

She had pleaded guilty to a charge of impersonating a Red Cross worker.

Nicholas, who police say is 20 but prosecutors say could be 23, was the second person sentenced in the first federal fundraising fraud case stemming from the August 2005 disaster.

She and two others were arrested in September 2005 outside a Best Buy store, where police said they had set up a table and collected as much as \$2,000 over several days.

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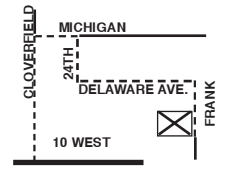
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Change in the air

Vail Resorts blowin' in the wind with new renewable energy plan

BY KIM NGUYEN
Associated Press Writer

DENVER — Vail Resorts said Tuesday it will buy enough wind-generated electricity to replace all the power used by its five ski areas and other businesses, the third such switch this year by a high-profile company catering to environmentally conscious customers.

Vail said it would purchase nearly 152,000 megawatt-hours of wind-generated electricity, enough for its dozen lodges, 125 retail stores and its headquarters in addition to its ski areas.

Austin, Texas-based natural food grocer Whole Foods Market Inc. said in January it would buy enough wind-generated electricity to replace all its power consumption. Aspen Skiing Co. said in March it would do the same.

Whole foods is buying 458,000 megawatt-hours a year; Aspen, 21,000 megawatt-hours annually.

"(Wind) works from a business point of view, an economic point of view, and an environmental view point — it's free source of energy," said Christine Real de Azua of the American Wind Energy Association. "There are zero emissions and it does not add to global warming or pollution."

Buying renewable energy also helps a company's image, said Matt Clouse, program director of the federal Environmental Protection Agency's Green Power Partnership.

"Corporate America sees renewable energy as an opportunity to be responsible to the environment and help develop domestic resources and improve their public image," he said.

"And in some cases, renewable energy can offer financial benefits by offering a fixed price for electricity," he said.

Vail becomes the second-largest corporate purchaser of wind power in the country, the EPA said. Whole Foods is the largest.

Rob Katz, chief executive officer of Vail Resorts, said the company is switching to wind power because it wants to reinforce its commitment to the environment and take a leadership role on energy use in the travel industry.

"We just feel like it's the right thing to do," he said.

Vail did not disclose the cost of the switch. Spokeswoman Kelly Ladyga said the company's overall utility costs will rise, but prices for wind energy are comparable to that of fossil fuels.

Vail, which just moved its headquarters

ON THE NET

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from the Vail Valley to the northwest Denver suburb of Broomfield, will buy wind power from Renewable Choice Energy of Boulder, the company arranging wind power for Whole Foods.

Quayle Hodek, founder and chief executive of privately held Renewable Choice, said Vail's purchase will remove 211 million pounds of carbon dioxide pollution annually, the equivalent to removing 18,000 vehicles from roadways or planting 27,000 acres of trees.

Vail is the second-largest ski operator in North America, after Intrawest Corp., based in Vancouver, British Columbia.

Vail Resorts owns and operates Vail, Beaver Creek, Keystone and Breckenridge ski areas in Colorado, Heavenly in Nevada and California, and Grand Teton Lodge Co. near Jackson, Wyo.

Vail shares were down 16 cents at \$34.41 in afternoon trading on the New York Stock Exchange.

Crossing the border gets illegals a hard night's sleep

BY LYNN BREZOSKY
Associated Press Writer

RAYMONDVILLE, Texas — Men have been working on the futuristic cluster of tent-like domes to house illegal immigrants around the clock since late June; the quest for laborers has tapped local employment centers dry. Express delivery trucks rumble in and out with materials ordered on the fly.

Wednesday, less than 12 weeks after President Bush told the nation he was boosting the Border Patrol and ending the "catch and release" policy blamed on a shortage of federal detention space, 500 metal bunks are to be filled with immigrants awaiting deportation. By Sept. 26, 2,000 will be ready.

The army of workers were under orders from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement to complete the project quickly, and President Bush is scheduled to visit the region to talk about immigration on Thursday.

The Willacy County Detention Center is one of a host of new or expanded prisons,

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Road rule reaches dead end?

BY SAMANTHA YOUNG

Associated Press Writer

SAN FRANCISCO — A federal judge said Tuesday that the Bush administration had the right to overturn a ban on road construction in untouched parts of the national forests but questioned whether it could do so without weighing the possible environmental effects.

U.S. District Judge Elizabeth Laporte said the Forest Service appeared to be “on solid ground” last year when it reversed a Clinton administration rule banning new roads on nearly a third of federal forests.

But she questioned whether the agency violated federal law by skipping environmental studies — the heart of two lawsuits brought by 20 environmental groups and the states of California, Oregon, New Mexico and Washington. The cases have since been consolidated, and all parties presented arguments Tuesday in Laporte’s courtroom.

Laporte said she did not know when she would make a final decision in the case.

“The court’s role is not to endorse one approach over the other,” Laporte said, referring to Forest Service management plans.

Rather, she said, the question is whether federal procedures were violated when Bush overturned the ban on road building that President Clinton ordered in January 2001, eight days before he left office. If so, that could prompt Laporte to invalidate a new state-by-state management strategy endorsed by the Bush administration and restore the road-building ban.

The legal dispute stems from the so-called “roadless rule” that prohibited logging, mining and other development on 58.5 million

acres of roadless forest land in 38 states and Puerto Rico. Of that, 97 percent is in 12 states: Alaska, Arizona, California, Colorado, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, New Mexico, Oregon, Utah, Washington and Wyoming.

While praised by environmental groups, the Clinton rule was challenged by timber companies and some western states. After a series of legal battles in California and Wyoming, the Bush administration in May 2005 replaced the roadless rule with a voluntary state-by-state petition process.

Critics said the reversal did not take into account environmental and wildlife studies for some of the most pristine forests in the U.S.

“The roadless areas are open to development unless the states can convince otherwise,” California deputy attorney general Claudia Polsky told the court.

Environmentalists worry that timber, mining and oil and gas interests could penetrate deeper into forests, which provide habitat for fish and wildlife, as well as areas recreation.

Industry representatives say building roads in specific areas is a legitimate activity to help fight wildfires, salvage timber from burned areas or thin overgrown forests.

“Most catastrophic wildfires we’re experiencing in the West have blown up in unroaded areas,” said Chris West, vice president for the Portland, Ore.-based American Forest Resource Council, which has sided with the Bush administration in the case.

Forest Service spokesman Dan Jiron said the approach put in place under the Bush administration does not mean that areas previously designated as off-limits will be opened automatically to road-building and commercial pursuits.

‘Catch and release’

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both public and private, that ICE has commissioned for an expected rush of illegal immigrant detainees.

Before Bush’s latest crackdown on illegal immigration, Mexican immigrants were driven back across the border. Illegal immigrants from elsewhere were given a notice to appear before an immigration court sometimes as far as 30 days ahead. Few showed up, prompting border sheriffs to wryly call the paperwork a “notice to disappear.”

But Bush announced in May an end to the catch and release program and ordered stiffer enforcement of the border, causing a ripe need for more detention space in South Texas.

Holding the non-Mexican illegal immigrants until they are deported will also take bed space, as will Department of Homeland Security plans to track down and remove illegal immigrants in the U.S. interior. Homeland Security Secretary Michael Chertoff said last week that Salvadorans also would be detained for the first time since a two-decade-old court decision blocked them from the use of expedited removal.

A bill signed in December 2004 authorized up to 40,000 new beds in immigrant detention centers nationwide by 2010. ICE spokesman Dean Boyd said the agency has requested money next year for 6,700 new beds.

For companies like Corrections Corporation of America, the nation’s largest private prison company, it could mean good business times ahead.

“We continue to monitor the status of immigration policy to determine the effect it may have on our business,” CCA President John Ferguson told stockholders in May. “We believe there will be a significant expansion of border enforcement efforts, which

should result in a substantial increase in the population of illegal detainees.”

Bob Libal, of Grassroots Leadership, an Austin-based nonprofit that tracks the prison industry, said he anticipates a “disturbing trend of nonviolent immigrants being incarcerated for profit.”

“Private prison companies are banking on the fact that they’re going to be able to get rich,” he said, “whether or not it’s good policy, whether or not it’s good for the community.”

ICE’s directive for speed on the Raymondville facility was emphatic, and overtime and procurement costs haven’t seemed to be an issue, said Kendall Phinney, a partner with Hale Mills, the lead construction firm.

Phinney said the company was essentially challenged to complete a 12-month project in 90 days.

“When you’re taking a 12-month project and cramming it into 90 days, there’s a premium you pay,” Phinney said.

He said extra costs included building materials for the tents, described by its manufacturer as an “engineered stress membrane structure” held together with aluminum arches that can withstand 110 mile-per-hour winds. They have been used for U.S. military in Iraq.

Each of the 10 tents will hold 200 detainees in rows of bunks separated into four rooms with drywall. Giant air conditioning vents run under the fabric ceiling. Tall barbed wire fence surrounds the complex, which neighbors a county jail and a state prison.

Contractors, subcontractors, the private prison management company and county officials are banking on the bunks staying full and on ICE coming back with orders for more. Hale Mills has 20 more acres on the site it can fill.

“The question is when it will be expanded,” Phinney said.

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Maria M. Stewart
Secretaria Municipal

Fecha: 28 de julio, 2006

City absorbs county costs

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Attorney Marsha Moutrie. "It's also more difficult for the city to handle its work there. That's a real minimal consideration compared to the impact on those participating directly in a case."

MAKING THE TREK

Instead of reporting to the Santa Monica Courthouse, located next door to City Hall, deputy city attorneys and police officers must drive the congested 405 Freeway, spending anywhere from 30 to 60 minutes stuck in traffic before reaching the Airport Courthouse.

That cuts into time spent working on other cases, said Chief Deputy City Attorney Betty Haviland, who runs the criminal division.

"We used to walk across the street," Haviland said. "Now it's like a 25-mile round trip. Our attorneys have to come in at 7 (a.m.) now instead of 7:30 (a.m.) to prepare."

Many charged with a crime, particularly homeless individuals, have trouble finding transportation to court. As a result, they fail to appear, forcing a warrant to be issued for their arrest. Witnesses and victims also are inconvenienced, officials said.

Los Angeles Superior Court Judge Bernard Kamins, who handles Santa Monica's misdemeanors, said he has seen a significant drop in the number of defendants who show up for their day in court. On a good day he said he can expect to see maybe five out of dozens scheduled to appear.

Kamins said he has spoken with many defendants who are homeless who said they have walked more than 10 miles and slept outside of the courthouse the night before their appearance, all so they wouldn't be late and face even more charges.

"I think the cost cutting looked great on paper, but in reality, it doesn't save money, at least for Santa Monica," said Kamins, who handles between 80 and 180 cases a day.

The decision to consolidate county courts surfaced more than four years ago when the state was experiencing a severe budget deficit and legislators were forced to make cuts. Officials with the Los Angeles Superior Court had to lay off hundreds of employees and close 29 courtrooms county-wide. Three courthouses, including one in Malibu and Culver City, were closed completely.

At that time, security costs also were closely scrutinized. During that audit, several lockups, including the one at the Santa Monica Courthouse, were found to be too small or antiquated to operate efficiently enough to justify their cost.

"It simply became too expensive to run many of them and if we eliminated them, we were looking at cost savings that were pretty significant," said Allan Parachini, a spokesman for the Los Angeles Superior Court system.

In the case of Santa Monica, the county court system was spending \$769,000 a year to run the lockup, where defendants in custody of the LA County Sheriff's Department are held until their cases are heard before a judge. Parachini said the lockup was too small and required too many deputies to run it properly.

At the same time, the newly-constructed Airport Courthouse, located near the Los Angeles International Airport, was up and running with a state-of-the-art security system and larger lockup.

"The profusion of gang-related violent crime cases has made security in the courtrooms and courthouses an even more important priority than in the past," Parachini said.

With that in mind, Santa Monica's criminal cases, along with all felonies, were moved to the Airport Courthouse, leaving only civil matters behind.

At the time of the move, many judges, prosecutors and defense attorneys expressed their displeasure, saying the consolidation would prove to be expensive for Santa Monica.

At the city's expense

Now, more than two years into the consolidation, the true

cost is beginning to surface.

To operate an office at the Airport Courthouse for one year, the City Attorney's Office spends \$24,360, according to Iris Stein, an office administrator in City Hall.

Since the move, the City Attorney's Office has spent \$960 a month on rent for an office at the Airport Courthouse; \$200 a month for telephone service and access to the Internet, and another \$870 a month to pay for transportation of six attorneys, Stein said.

That is in addition to the \$6,083 in start-up costs, which included \$898 to transfer files and \$185 for a lock smith, Stein said.

The Santa Monica Police Department also has seen an increase in expenses. Before the consolidation, the SMPD was paying the LA County Sheriff's Department \$65,820 for the transporting of those in custody. That figure jumped to \$83,849 in 2005, and is expected to rise to \$91,472 this year, said SMPD Lt. Frank Fabrega.

That's not including the cost of assigning two officers to the jail custody detail, something the SMPD didn't do before the consolidation. Fabrega said the SMPD also had to pay to have a van retrofitted so officers could transport both male and female detainees at the same time, where as in the past, officers simply had to walk those in custody over to the courthouse, a trip that took minutes.

THE WAITING GAME

Safety also is in jeopardized by the consolidation, Fabrega said. Whereas before, when an incident occurred and back-up officers needed to respond, Fabrega said the SMPD could easily deploy officers sitting in court waiting to testify. Now those officers are stuck at the Airport Courthouse. Detectives also were able to go to the Santa Monica Courthouse to file cases with the LA District Attorney's Office before the consolidation. Now they must travel to the Airport Courthouse.

"What was once a 45-minute process has turned into almost a three-hour ordeal, and that cuts into the time these detectives could be out solving other crimes," Fabrega said. "This not only affects Santa Monica, but other law enforcement agencies."

Detectives also used to be able to work at their desks and walk just a few hundred feet to the courthouse minutes before they were scheduled to testify. Now they are relegated to sitting at the Airport Courthouse for hours waiting for the court proceedings to move forward.

Parachini said judges presiding over the court consolidation understood the problems it would cause for municipalities.

"We feel your pain, but we hope you feel ours," Parachini said. "It was a very troubling process and a frustrating one because there was no decision we could make that would ease the lives of law enforcement agencies. But at the same time, we were staring in the face the need to close facilities and lay off employees. We needed every penny of those security savings to be able to continue offering full services to residents."

Since 2000, county courts are no longer controlled by the county Board of Supervisors. The courts answer to the Administrative Office of the Courts, based in San Francisco. Each court system is given a budget that it must operate within. Decisions to cut spending are made locally by presiding judges.

Those judges also have the power to reverse the damage done, however, Parachini, speaking on their behalf, said that even with more money coming from the state, most lockups will not be reopened because of their age and lack of new technology to make deputies' jobs safer.

"Funding for public agencies has been in danger for a long time and what's unfortunate, it puts agencies in a position where, if it makes a decision to cut back, that may well create a hardship for others," Parachini said. "Unfortunately, we're all in the same boat. There's just too little budget money available."

Deli loses flavor after losing its star

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on Wednesday, shaking his head in disbelief that he would never see Katz manning his post at the diner's entryway again.

Katz worked two decades as general manager for the former Zucky's Diner, another city landmark, before signing on with Izzy's a quarter century ago.

Katz had become such a Santa Monica fixture, the founder of Izzy's Deli said he has to inform people every day about his friend's passing, as they enter the deli and inquire about the man who made every patron, not just celebrities, feel like a star.

"He was a celebrity in his own right," said Izzy Freeman last week, sipping on iced tea in a mid-restaurant booth. "He understood that no matter how rich you are, no matter how famous you are, that everybody wants the maitre de to know you when you walk into a place."

"He knew how to make a difference."

Katz's reputation preceded him at Izzy's Deli, according to Freeman, who said his longtime general manager was someone he had coveted ever since founding the New York-style deli some 33 years ago. When Katz finally approached him about jumping ship from the competitor that was Zucky's — formerly located at Fifth Street and Wilshire Boulevard — Freeman welcomed him with open arms.

Katz, who hailed from Patterson, N.J., had already established a following among both the celebrity crowd at Zucky's, as well as the regulars who frequented both Wilshire diners, making the transition a seamless one.

Aside from his considerable skills as a people-person among customers, Katz went on to become a beloved co-worker, friend and member of the community in which he lived.

Following his son's death in Vietnam, Katz established the Allen P. Katz Jewish War Veterans Post in his honor. The post, which continues to meet regularly, according to Freeman, raises money each year in efforts to provide a handful of Santa Monica High School students with scholarships.

Freeman said he backed a scholarship after his father, Morris Freeman, passed away, and gave the money in his father's honor to a graduating senior. The deli founder said Katz's commitment to the community may have contributed to his deteriorating health, as his manager continued to put off medical examinations until this year's post commitments were in place.

"When he was sick and unable to work anymore, I told him I still wanted him to serve as ambassador, you know, to keep the mind muscle active," said Freeman. "He could have just come in and sat with customers. I didn't want him to sit at home alone."

Katz's wife Esther died close to a decade ago.

Unfortunately for Freeman, he never got the chance to see his friend return to Izzy's in the ambassador capacity, as Katz succumbed to a variety of ailments earlier this month. Freeman plans to close one day this month and hold a private reception in his friend's honor, inviting celebrities famous and non-famous to gather and recall the maitre de who always knew their name.

At Izzy's and elsewhere, Katz's reach can still be felt. Juan Cuellar, now "the best waiter in Santa Monica," according to Freeman, was just 16 when he met Katz while working as a busboy at the restaurant. Sitting at the counter, eating lunch while on break, Cuellar fondly recalled the man who took him under his wing and encouraged him to reach for the stars.

"I am very grateful for having met him," said Cuellar, "just a nice, nice person."

Cuellar, who was born in Mexico, could barely speak English when he met Katz more than a decade ago. He credits Katz with encouraging him to go to school and keep bettering himself. Today, Cuellar is married with two children, and according to Freeman, has to keep having his station expanded due to all the customers who ask for him by name.

"Hy used to joke that 'if you speak in Spanish, I'll pay you in pesos,'" said Freeman with a smile, alluding to Katz's efforts to encourage the staff to learn English.

Parr first met Katz when he was a teenager, years before he would assume control, along with his brother, of the family car dealership, Claude Short Dodge. He remembers Katz always showed an interest in him, well before they became business associates, and eventually longtime friends.

"He just had a certain way about him from the start," said Parr. "He went out of his way to make people happy, recognizing them and taking care of them."

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(Clockwise) St. James Primary School first graders at Holy Cross Parish in Dandora, Nairobi, Kenya. St. James Primary School students strike a pose during recess at Holy Cross Parish. Choir members sing during worship in the phase 1 church. Choir members sing during worship in the phase 3 church.

Santa Monicans deliver their charity globally

By Daily Press staff

AFRICA — A group of Santa Monicans will be coming home this week from Kenya.

The 11-member team from St. Monica Catholic Parish arrived in Nairobi, Kenya, on July 24 for a 10-day aid and fact-finding mission at their sister parish, Holy Cross Church. The trip includes following up on current projects, observing how Holy Cross has used the funding from St. Monica, what the current needs of the community are, and what projects may be needed in the future.

Holy Cross is located in the extremely poor and AIDS-devastated suburb of Dandora. Led by Pastor Msgr. Lloyd Torgerson, the missionaries are staying in the Carmelite retreat house in a wealthy suburb of Karen, which requires a daily one-hour commute to Dandora.

The St. Monica Holy Cross Africa Ministry is an expression of one of St. Monica's five-year parish-wide goals to provide material assistance to the poor and form partnerships with local, archdiocesan and global groups to serve those in need.

With 40 percent of residents unemployed, roadside vendors sell everything from toothbrushes to live chickens to sofas that are upholstered. Dandora residents live in shacks without water, electricity or toilets. AIDS is widely prevalent in Dandora, where it is common for women to turn to prostitution to survive.

Africa Ministry team member Kitty Felde, a correspondent for National Public Radio, has been cataloguing the trip in daily audio reports, which are available at <http://www.stmonica.net>.

The team from St. Monica includes Dr. Amy Nguyen, who has been treating patients at the Volunteer Counseling and Testing (VCT) HIV/AIDS Clinic and the Brother Andre Dispensary Clinic which has no regular doctor — just nurses.

"The clinic began in a 20-foot container on the grounds of the Holy Cross, but the need quickly outgrew the space," Felde reported. "They moved down the street to a building which originally housed the rectory, but now houses a lab, a pharmacy, a counseling center — a really comprehensive AIDS Care Clinic. Back at Holy Cross, dozens and dozens of AIDS patients lined up patiently for a five-pound sack of cornmeal."

The clinic was started as a government-funded facility, but St. Monica helped acquire the larger building, which is down the street and around the corner from Holy Cross. On this trip, the St. Monica team succeeded in fixing the medical equipment at the AIDS clinic.

"The clinic uses the buddy system and a team of volunteers to check up on patients, to track them down if they don't show up for treatment," Felde said, adding that 95 percent of AIDS patients complete their first year of treatment.

To boost patients' morale, the AIDS clinic celebrated with 60 patients who have stayed on their medicine for one year. They held a graduation party, including certificates of completion and a cake.

The AIDS clinic has many safeguards to ensure that their AIDS patients are supported medically and emotionally.

St. Monica's partnership with Holy Cross extends far beyond AIDS medical treatment. Ashley Harrison, an eighth-grade teacher at St. Monica Elementary School, is assisting at the 380-student St. James Primary School in Dandora, one of several Holy Cross facilities that are aided through contributions from St. Monica parishioners. Contributions fund 13 scholarship students at St. James, among other things.

Team member Ed Archer, director of liturgy and music at St. Monica, is studying and participating in the choir at Holy Cross. Team members Katherine and Steve Casey are checking out a new fresh water well that was bored on the campus of Holy Cross Parish this past spring. Co-chairs Nancy Dewey and Trevor Rodrigues share the responsibility for ensuring the mission's accountability, manage the 3-year-old St. Monica-Holy Cross relationship and help to set strategy on future operations.

One woman who has been HIV positive since 1992 had a message for the parishioners of St. Monica: "We are people rejected and neglected, even by our families. We are receiving blessings from you. You cry so much about us."

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**DAYS ON
THE MARKET**
BY JODI SUMMERS

"I've been wanting to buy a shopping center, but every time I start analyzing the numbers, I get a headache," an investment buyer recently said. "Each property has a different set of numbers and they are not always accurate. How do I know what to buy?"

Whenever you review an income and expense analysis for a property or six, you realize how difficult it is for the average investor to digest the information and make an educated purchase decision. Much like the stock market, what makes a great real estate investment is keyed into timing and interest rates as much as it is to the true operating costs of a property.

In the current market, if you're looking for portfolio properties that have a return on investment, you either need a big down payment or to buy outside of town — Texas, Arizona, Idaho and New Mexico are current favorites. Certainly SoCal has offered a lot in property leverage and appreciation over the years, but at the end of the day the cash flow is what is really sexy to a property investor, and why so many have been buying out of state.

Again comes the almighty questions, "How do I know what to buy?"

Real estate analysts offer the following suggestions for using a cash flow analysis in making investment property purchase decisions:

■ Examine many similar properties at the same time.

You can ascertain how accurate an income and expense statement may be when you compare it with income and expense statements from other properties. One document may leave out a vacancy rate; the other might exclude property maintenance components. Know vacancy rates in the neighborhood and find out the average time to find a new tenant. Contact lenders and property managers in the area and get their feedback on your potential purchase.

■ Review operating expenses and cash flow for the past three years.

Many financial analysts' reports will exclude capital expenses. Bear in mind that you need a reserve for property maintenance. If you review three years of income and expenses, you will have a much better idea of real expenses, as well as vacancy rates.

■ Obtain comparable rent income numbers.

Drive around the neighborhoods where your potential property is located. Call the phone numbers on available properties and confirm the rental rates. Are there any concessions being given on lease space? Use the information to verify the figures you received for the property you wish to buy.

■ Examine the vacancy rate in the market place.

Each market and specific type of real estate investment has a vacancy rate. Even desirable locations like the westside require a minimum of 3 percent factored in for the vacancy rate. In harder-to-rent areas, look for concessions and rebates being offered by property owners. How might those concessions affect your cash flow? Is your property rented at fair market value? Banks are hesitant to loan on properties with a high vacancy rate. They will, however, offer construction loans if you are renovating the building. This may give you some time to find tenants to fill a building, otherwise you will be forced to guarantee the rents, which means more money to the bank and less in your pocket.

■ Talk to an appraiser about the marketplace.

Appraisers are paid to know median incomes and expenses in any given marketplace. An appraiser offers accurate information so you can make an informed decision.

■ Review the IREM and/or BOMA expense analysis books for the marketplace. The Institute of Real Estate Management is a professional real estate management association serving both the multi-family and commercial real estate sectors. The Building Owners and Managers Association (BOMA) assembles a report that details income and expense statements for office buildings throughout North America based on members' responses to a standard survey. The books are updated every year and offer an in-depth look at how properties are operating.

■ Ask for schedule "E" tax return information for the property.

Schedule "E," a.k.a. form 1040, is the supplemental income and loss from rental real estate, royalties, partnerships, S corporations, estates, trusts, etc. It is the information the current property owner gives to the IRS. Keep in mind some property owners keep two sets of books — one for themselves and one for the IRS. Some pay a handyman on the premises for repairs and very little of anything is ever reported.

If you do your homework, you will have a clear idea of a property's value. Then read the reports. Analysts suggest an 8 to 10 percent positive cash flow after all deductions.

Beyond cash flow, there are several other indicators you can compare and analyze when pursuing your investment strategy. They include CAP rate, cash-on-cash return, debt coverage ratios, price per square foot for comparable properties in the same marketplace, percentage of expenses — are they in line or understated? Also factor in financing and due diligence costs as part of your transaction spread sheets.

For more on Southern California commercial properties, there is a great information blog at www.socalindustrialrealestate-blog.com.

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THE HOA ADVISOR

BY MICHAEL CHULAK

This meeting is over

QUESTION: I'm a director of a homeowner's association. Can you clarify the meaning of the word "adjournment?"

ANSWER: The word has two meanings. Most commonly, it refers to the last stage of a board or shareholder's meeting when the business of the meeting is concluded and the meeting is ended, with the person presiding announcing, "the meeting is adjourned."

The term is also used if a board or shareholder's meeting is carried over to another time when unfinished business can be concluded. The second meeting is then referred to as the "adjourned meeting."

QUESTION: Is the tort of defamation covered by a homeowner association's director's and officer's liability policy?

ANSWER: Often it is, but not always. You should have your association's policy reviewed by a qualified insurance consultant or your attorney to make certain of your coverage. Defending a defamation suit can be very expensive and can take years to conclude.

QUESTION: Our homeowner's association is incorporated. What are the general powers of a corporation?

ANSWER: The powers of a corporation are those set forth in the articles of incorporation; set forth in the bylaws; established by law; and existing for a natural person unless prohibited by the articles and/or bylaws. The powers established by law are too numerous to include in this column.

QUESTION: Can a member of a homeowner's association act independently to enforce the covenants, conditions and restrictions against another owner?

ANSWER: Yes. The means for enforcement is either the court system or alternative dispute resolution (mediation or arbitration) depending on the type of violation.

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Real estate financing can be a complicated web



REAL ESTATE 101

BY MIKE HEAYN

You had a plan. It was simple. At least you thought it was. The goal was to build an apartment with six units in 12 months. Easy enough, but something happened — actually everything you did not count on happened. First, your labor and material costs skyrocketed. Next, the city did not pass your project on inspections the first time along the construction process. Now, 24 months into the project you are only 90 percent complete and your loan is due. What do you do? The first thing you do is educate yourself about the financing options you have. In real estate many different types of loans exist. Choices generally break down into many different types, but only four — permanent, construction, bridge and mezzanine will be explored here.

If you know what a home loan is then you know what a permanent or "perm" loan is. A typical type of "perm" loan would be a 30-year fixed fully amortizing in 30 years. With the competition that exists many permanent loans have competitive rates and terms. To qualify for a perm loan usually a credit score, income statement, appraisal and debt to income ratio or a debt service ratio on the commercial end is required.

But what type of real estate financing do you need if you are building a structure? A construction loan will allow you to get started on a project. Think of a construction loan as a line of credit with terms that last from six months to two years. Four main components make up a construction loan. They are collateral, interest reserve account, interest rate and loan amount.

A lender will use the land and any existing improvements as collateral. An interest reserve account is the line of credit used to pay for labor and materials, along with interest on the loan. The interest that accumulates is the interest that is paid on the loan as it is being used for construction and development. The bank lends a set dollar or loan amount. As the interest reserve account increases the payments increase. Think of it in terms of a home equity line of credit. If you were approved for a home equity loan and used \$10,000 one month and \$10,000 the next month your payments would double. A construction loan works in the same manner: As more money is taken out of the interest reserve account the

payments increase.

What if you only have 10 percent of construction left to complete on a project, which should be completed in about three months and you have started leasing units but your construction loan is due next month. The construction lender will want the loan paid down before they will grant any kind of extension. What do you do? One option is to get a bridge loan. Like any freeway bridge, a bridge loan covers the space, in this case, between a construction loan and a permanent loan. A bridge loan is essentially a second or third mortgage that uses the land and the improvement as collateral. If you have to get a bridge loan you are going to have to pay for it with higher rates, but this kind of financing can save a project. Normally a bridge loan will last no longer than 24 months.

What happens if you paid off your construction loan with a bridge loan and are ready to get permanent financing but you do not have enough money to close the gap? One option, which is the most complex real estate financing tool, is a mezzanine loan. Think of a mezzanine loan as a loan that covers the rest of the equity. If you had a large construction project and used a bridge loan to get you to the point where you could get a permanent loan, but were only able to get a 70 percent loan to cost and could only support 15 percent equity you would need to get another loan to cover the 15 percent difference. Hence, the creation of mezzanine financing. This is not, however, your ordinary loan. A mezzanine financier will usually take a position behind the first loan, or in this case the permanent loan. The collateral is usually an interest of ownership in the borrowing entity. Many other complex aspects of mezzanine financing exist, but now, think of it as the missing piece needed to close the permanent loan to equity gap.

As you can see real estate financing, especially commercial financing, can become complicated. If you are starting a project it is a good idea to be versed in all of your financing options as you never know what you will need down the road. Just as a construction loan will help you start a project, a bridge loan, mezzanine loan, and/or permanent loan may help you finish it.

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Deferring capital gains not simple by any definition



IN YOUR SPACE

BY CHRISTINA S. PORTER

The ability to defer capital gain taxes on the sale of property has been around since 1921. In 1935, the Board of Tax Appeals approved the first modern tax-deferred exchange using what's known as "qualified intermediaries."

The 1954 amendment to the Federal Tax Code changed Section 112 (b)(1) to Section 1031 of the Internal Revenue Code, and adopted the present day definitions and description of the tax-deferred like kind exchanges.

The Starker family tax-deferred like kind court decision

established the need for regulations regarding delayed tax-deferred exchanges. This now famous case prompted the United States Congress to eventually adopt the 45-calendar day identification deadline and the 180-calendar day exchange period as part of the Deficit Reduction Act of 1984.

The Tax Reform Act of 1986 eliminated accelerated depreciation and put like-kind exchanges in the limelight as being one of the few income tax benefits left for real estate investors.

The Revenue Reconciliation Act of 1989 disqualified like-kind exchanges between domestic and non-domestic properties and placed a two-year holding period requirement on related party exchanges.

Revenue Procedure 2000-37 gave investors guidelines on how to structure reverse tax-deferred like kind exchange transactions.

Revenue Procedure 2002-22 provided investors with additional like-kind replacement property options that had not existed before, known as Co-Ownership of Real Estate (CORE). CORE is most frequently referred to as Tenant in Common or TIC investments.

Revenue Procedure 2005-14 made effective on Jan. 27, 2005 made it possible for the first time for homeowners to use the tax-deferral mechanism of Section 1031 on their primary residence, if specific steps outlined in the code were carefully followed.

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Israel moves deeper into Lebanon

BY HAMZA HENDAWI
Associated Press Writer

BOURJ AL-MULOUK, Lebanon — Heavy ground fighting raged Tuesday near a border village and Israel resumed frequent airstrikes after it decided, in a major expansion of its offensive, to send thousands more troops deeper into Lebanon. The soldiers will go as far as the Litani River, 18 miles from the Israeli border, to clear out Hezbollah fighters and hold the territory until a multinational force is deployed there, senior Israeli officials said Tuesday. The resumption of the Israeli air campaign against Hezbollah strongholds and supply routes came despite an earlier pledge to suspend such attacks for another day. That 48-hour suspension was announced after the world expressed outrage over the killing of 56 Lebanese in a week-end Israeli bombing.

Israeli Prime Minister Ehud Olmert said Tuesday that it was not in Israel's interest to agree to an immediate cease-fire because every day of fighting weakens Hezbollah. "Every additional day is a day that drains the strength of this cruel enemy. Every extra day is a day in which the (army) reduces their capability, contains their firing ability and their ability to hit in the future," he said.

Three Lebanese civilians were killed and three more were seriously wounded when Israeli warplanes hit a house in the southern town of Lweizeh on Tuesday evening, Lebanese security officials said.

The Lebanese Red Cross said it retrieved 12 bodies buried in the rubble of four villages flattened by Israeli airstrikes in south Lebanon. It was unclear when they died. Workers were still digging through the wreckage, and said they expected to find more bodies.

Intense gun battles also were reported in several south Lebanon villages, and Hezbollah said four of its fighters were killed. The guerrilla group claimed that 35 Israeli soldiers had been killed or wounded in the fighting, but Israel had no immediate public comment.

The heaviest fighting centered on the Lebanese border village of Aita al-Shaab. Arab satellite channels carried live pictures as Israeli forces unleashed a relentless bombardment of artillery shells on the town, from which Hezbollah guerrillas crossed the border on July 12 and captured two Israeli soldiers, sparking the crisis.

Diplomatic efforts to end the crisis have faltered, despite

increased world pressure for a cease-fire after the devastating weekend strike in the town of Qana.

Olmert expressed hopes that a cease-fire would be based on a formula that would push Hezbollah away from Israel's border and prevent it from attacking in the future.

"We are at the start of a diplomatic process that I believe will lead in the end to a cease-fire under totally different conditions from those which existed previously on our northern border ... which will provide a real buffer between us and those who would take our lives, with international support such as there has never been before," he said.

"We ... will agree to a cease-fire when we know for certain that conditions in the field have changed from those that would cause a war to break out," he said.

President Bush also resisted calls for an immediate halt to fighting, saying any peace deal must ensure that Hezbollah is crippled. He said Iran and Syria must stop backing the Shiite militant group with money and weapons.

"As we work with friends and allies, it's important to remember this crisis began with Hezbollah's unprovoked attacks against Israel. Israel is exercising its right to defend itself," Bush said.

Israel made the decision to expand the ground offensive at a meeting late Monday of its Security Cabinet.

Up to now, several thousand soldiers had been engaged, fighting house-to-house battles with hundreds of Hezbollah fighters in Lebanese towns and villages close to the border. Last week, the Cabinet called up some 30,000 reserve soldiers, many of whom reported to their bases earlier this week to begin training.

Defense officials said they expected thousands more soldiers to be sent to Lebanon.

"We have reached the stage where we have to expand the operation," said Defense Minister Amir Peretz, without giving the dimensions of the next phase.

Labor Party lawmaker Danny Yatom confirmed the Security Cabinet approved a ground offensive up to the Litani River. The goal is "to control the area, to kill as many Hezbollah terrorists as possible and to destroy as many rockets and launchers as possible, in order to minimize the capabilities of Hezbollah," Yatom, a reserve general and former chief of the Mossad spy agency, told The Associated Press.

The Litani meanders through south Lebanon, and at some points is as far as 18 miles from the Israeli-Lebanese border. A 1978 incursion by Israel into Lebanon, to push back Palestinian guerrillas, was named after the river.

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Cooper busy building The Rock

By the Associated Press

PHOENIX



COOPER

For all the envelope-pushing Alice Cooper has done as a shock rocker, he also knows the value of boundaries, especially for children.

“Kids love boundaries. We used to fight against them. But in all reality, what we really did want was to know where we could go.

Of course, you always step over the line just a little bit to see what’s going to happen,” said the 58-year-old rocker, known for his ghoulish makeup and hits such as 1975’s “Welcome to My Nightmare.”

Cooper said his Christian, nonprofit Solid Rock Foundation has begun fundraising efforts for a 20,000-square-foot teen activity center to be called The Rock, which will be built at Grand Canyon University.

The \$3 million center will feature a recording studio, indoor basketball courts, rock-climbing walls, coffeeshop, game room and concert hall. Construction is expected to begin next year.

“People don’t lay in the sun in southwest Phoenix. There’s lots of shootings going, there’s lots of meth going on, there’s lots of gangs,” Cooper said. “In the middle of all that is a bunch of 12-, 13-, 14-year-old kids that can go one way or the other.”

Officials for Grand Canyon University, a private college with a Christian focus, came to Cooper with the offer to build the youth center on the campus. Cooper has given scholarships to the school for more than five years.

“We’re not going to beat them over the head with a Bible,” Cooper said. “But we’re certainly going to be available to tell them that that’s available to them.”

Cooper, who spends about seven months of the year at home in suburban Paradise Valley, said that when he walks off the stage, “I’m going back to Phoenix, play golf, work on Solid Rock, go shopping and do everything that a father and a husband’s supposed to do.”

“I watched all of my best friends — Jimi Hendrix, Jim Morrison, Janis Joplin, Keith Moon — every one of them, die trying to live their image,” he said.

“The one thing that my generation learned was ‘be a rock star when it’s time to be a rock star.’”

ROME

‘Fair’ face ready for marriage

Elizabeth Hurley says she plans to marry her boyfriend, Indian businessman Arun Nayer, very soon.

“I can’t tell you the exact date, but it is very close,” the 41-year-old actress-model is quoted as saying in the Italian edition of Vanity Fair magazine. The couple have been dating since 2003.

Hurley, who has a 4-year-old son, Damian,

with film producer Steve Bing, added: “We are also thinking of having a child.”

She has appeared in “Bedazzled” and the “Austin Powers” movies. For several years she was the international face of Estee Lauder cosmetics.

Asked about how she’d feel as a married woman, Hurley said, “I’ll tell you once I am married.

“But I’ve lived with Hugh Grant for 13 years; we were like husband and wife. I don’t think there will be much difference.”

ROME

Joel and Adams rock the stone age



JOEL

Billy Joel and Bryan Adams took the stage, with the Colosseum as the backdrop, and performed classic hits for hundreds of thousands of fans.

Joel performed favorites such as “New York State of Mind,” “Honesty” and “Just the Way You Are” during Monday night’s free concert.

While introducing one song, the 57-year-old singer joked in shaky Italian, “This song is as old as the Colosseum.”

Adams, 46, opened the show, performing classics including “Run to You.”

Giant screens were set up along Via dei Fori Imperiali, the large boulevard that leads to the Colosseum, for the throngs of people who could not see the stage.



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Miami Vice (R)
12:00, 1:30, 3:00, 4:30, 6:15, 7:30, 9:30, 10:30
My Super Ex-Girlfriend (PG-13)
12:10, 2:30, 5:00, 7:20, 9:40
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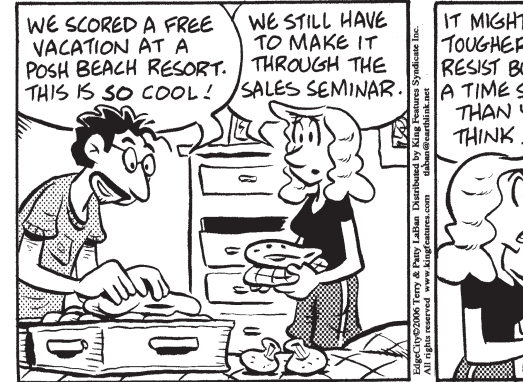
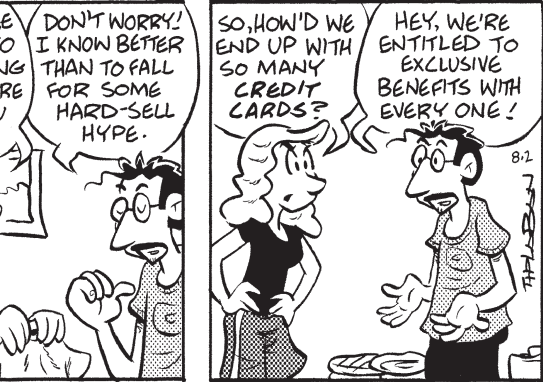


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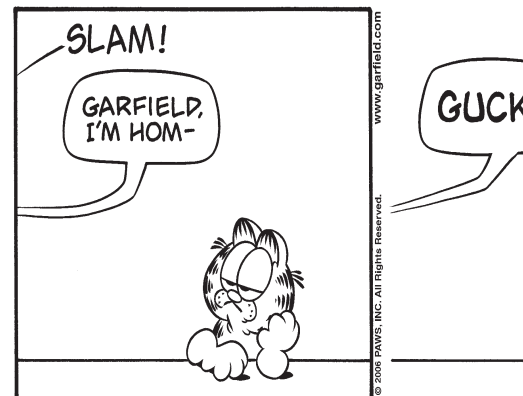
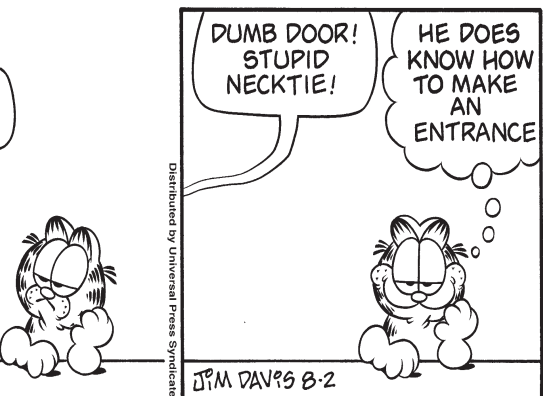


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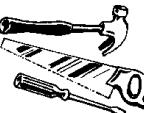
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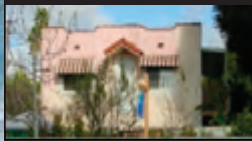
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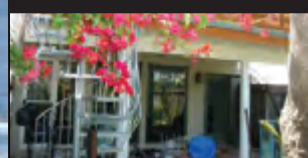
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