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NEWS OF THE WEIRD

BY CHUCK SHEPARD

■ At commencement this year at Gallatin High School in Nashville, Tenn., the principal had the valedictorian arrested for trying to make a speech that was reserved for the senior class president.

■ The Buffalo (N.Y.) News reported skyrocketing absentee rates at local high schools this spring because of a new district policy that the lowest possible semester grade would be 50, even for those missing every class (meaning that a grade as low as 80 for one semester could be averaged with a no-show 50 to reach the minimum-passing grade of 65).

TODAY IN HISTORY

Today is the 241st day of 2006.
There are 124 days left in the year.

2005 Hurricane Katrina hit the Gulf Coast near Buras, La.; the resulting floods devastated the city of New Orleans. More than 1,300 people died in Louisiana while an estimated 300 Louisiana residents died out of state; some 230 people perished in Mississippi. Property damage estimates were in the hundreds of billions of dollars.

QUOTE OF THE DAY

“In the United States there is more space where nobody is than where anybody is. That is what makes America what it is.”

GERTRUDE STEIN

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Water treatment mired

DELAYED: Legal dispute, technical questions plague MTBE cleanup efforts



(Above) The city's water wells at Arcadia Wells, a treatment plant at Bundy Drive and Wilshire Boulevard, have been contaminated with MTBE since 1996. (Below) A new facility is slated to be built at the plant once an agreement can be reached.

BY CAROLYN SACKARIASON
Daily Press Staff Writer

CITY HALL — It will likely be 15 years after the city's drinking water was contaminated that Santa Monicans will be able to tap into their own wells again.

That's because a bitter legal battle and complicated water treatment design process appear to be at an impasse between City Hall and the lawyers representing three major oil companies, which have admitted to allowing methyl tertiary-butyl ether (MTBE), a gasoline additive, to seep into the groundwater, thus contaminating the city's drinking water wells in 1996.

In a landmark settlement in 2003, Shell, ChevronTexaco and ExxonMobil agreed to pay City Hall more than \$120 million for their role in the water contamination. The oil companies also agreed to pay for the design, construction and maintenance of a water-treatment plant at Arcadia Wells, a source of city water located in West Los Angeles.

The wells were originally set to be cleaned up by 2008. But now it appears it will be at least 2011 before Santa Monicans will have clean drinking water from the city's own supply, said Craig Perkins, City Hall's environmental and public works director.

“We're at least five years away,” he

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Farrell 'stalker' must stay away

By Daily Press Staff

SM COURTHOUSE — Colin Farrell obtained a stay-away order Monday against a Santa Monica woman who confronted the “Miami Vice” star on stage during a taping of “The Tonight Show with Jay Leno” in Burbank last month.

Santa Monica Superior Court Judge John H. Reid issued a preliminary injunction directing 31-year-old Dessarae Bradford to stay at least 150 yards from Farrell, his 2-year-old son, James Nathaniel, and the

boy's mother, Kim Marie Bordenave, according to City News Service.

The order expires in August 2009. Neither Bradford nor Farrell attended the hearing. Bradford reportedly called the courtroom later and said she would be filing a petition to set aside the order, a clerk said.

Bradford allegedly accosted the 30-year-old Irish actor July 20 in front of Leno, NBC security and a studio audience, according to a petition.

The next day, a judge pro tem issued a temporary restraining order against Bradford, who is a former phone-sex operator and model, according to People magazine.

“I don't know Ms. Bradford, nor have I had personal contact with her prior to (last night), when she accosted me during a taping of a television show,” Farrell said in a petition, City News Service reported. “I am concerned for the safety of my family,

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School board race filled with passion, clout

BY KEVIN HERRERA

Daily Press Staff Writer

CITY WIDE — With six candidates boasting strong ties to education and the connections in the community to back them up, the race to fill four seats on the Santa Monica-Malibu Unified school board has all

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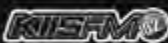
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ARIES (March 21-April 19)

★★★★★ Togetherness continues to be a theme. You might find it hard to subjugate your needs. Still, if you look at the big picture, you clearly see that this path is correct. Listen to others with an eye to what works. Tonight: Let a partner reveal his or her thoughts.



TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

★★★★★ Others run the show. You get ahead of the game through the unexpected and a meeting or group of friends. The unexpected does occur. Pressure comes from a partner. You know what to do. Tonight: Say yes.



GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

★★★★ Juggling different perspectives happens easily as you work with the unanticipated. Consider options around your daily life, routine and perhaps work. Take a stand. Design more of the life you want. Tonight: A must show.



CANCER (June 21-July 22)

★★★★★ As an emotional sign, you understand what it means to run with your feelings. Do just that, and you'll emerge successful and on target. A problem that emerges involving your daily life and/or health can be worked through. Tonight: Let your imagination emerge.



LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

★★★★ You might want to step back before getting involved in others' issues. The clearer you are about where you are coming from, the better the results. Partners and associates could act in a surprising manner. You can always say no. Tonight: Curb wild spending.



VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

★★★★ Tell it like it is, and you'll draw results. Others might want to touch base, though you need to accept their unique style. Family or a real estate matter could have an irritating impact. Use your upbeat, positive attitude. Tonight: Out and about.



LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

★★★★ Pull yourself together before you make a statement or try another approach. You might want to create upheaval in your daily life. Is this from boredom or out of necessity? Do ask yourself that before you roll on out. Tonight: Try to express uncomfortable feelings.



SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

★★★★★ Your imagination united with direction creates both dynamic and surprising ideas. Others react to your creativity. Your positive attitude draws dynamic results. Smile, and others will melt. A friendship pushes you to spend. Tonight: Do what you want.



SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

★★★★ You could kindle quite an incendiary situation if you aren't careful. Observe and think, but for the moment do not take action. The less said the better. Often, you might wonder how your actions or attitude could change your direction. Tonight: Rethink your attitude.



CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

★★★★ You know what you want and where you are heading. Still, unexpected developments could take you in a new direction. If you want your life and day to work, flow with rather than fight the status quo. Aim for what you want, which could involve your goals and a friendship. Tonight: Find your friends.



AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

★★★★★ Take a stand and move forward. You will be a lot happier if you are a crusader. Emphasize your long-term goals. You are in charge and moving forward. Build a stronger basis with a friend or partner; develop a stronger relationship. Tonight: Leader of the gang.



PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

★★★★★ Read between the lines. Know more of what you want. Realize exactly what is happening with someone at a distance. Investigate alternatives. Think through a decision carefully. Do not react to a partner's uproar. Tonight: Try a mind-relaxing activity.

BORN TODAY Actor **Dante Basco** (1975), singer **Michael Jackson** (1958)

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COMMUNITY BRIEFS

Topanga school in running for classroom makeover

By Daily Press staff

While schools in Topanga prepare for back-to-school, one classroom at Hale Middle School may receive a once-in-a-lifetime designer facelift, thanks to an essay written by eighth-grade student Alexa St. Martin.

St. Martin described how her teacher, Angela Gotschall, deserved a classroom makeover, and has been selected from among 500 first-prize winners to become one of 21 semifinalists in the EXPO Classroom Makeover program. Now, St. Martin has the chance to win the grand prize — a colorful \$25,000 makeover for Gotschall’s classroom, created by celebrity designer Genevieve Gorder from TLC’s Trading Spaces.

“Designing a classroom is a dream for me,” Gorder said. “Teachers have one of the most important jobs in the world yet you rarely get that from the aesthetics of the classroom. Kids are my favorite clients, to have a chance to work for them and improve a teacher’s environment through functionality and form is something I never pass up.”

In her essay, St. Martin described how Gotschall’s lively spirit has influenced her drama class to express colorful emotion while acting, and therefore, her drab classroom is in need of a makeover to “set the stage” for a more stimulating environment. As a semi-finalist, St. Martin has already won a \$1,000 classroom makeover for Gotschall’s room, featuring new dry erase boards, markers and accessories along with \$600 in U.S. Savings Bonds for herself. Now St. Martin’s essay has a chance to make the final grade.

“I’m always excited when my students step up to the plate and make things happen, so you can imagine I was blown away to learn that Alexa had written an essay that’s now won our classroom a makeover,” Gotschall said. “She’s a phenomenal student who is always challenging herself and taking charge on projects. The fact that she wrote this essay to help benefit our drama class is a prime example of her drive and leadership. I couldn’t be happier for her accomplishment.”

The contest, which ran Feb. 1 through June 1, invited students in grades second through 12th nationwide to write a short essay describing why their teacher deserved a classroom makeover. Twenty-one semifinalists were chosen. Out of the 21 semifinalists, one grand prize winner will be chosen. The grand prize winner will be announced in September.

Lunch on the John Wayne Cancer Institute

By Daily Press staff

Call it a power lunch or an empowering lunch for cancer survivors.

The John Wayne Cancer Institute Auxiliary (JWCIA) will hold its annual membership luncheon on Tuesday, Sept. 19, at The Beverly Hills Hotel. For the first time, the event will include a special gift boutique. The reception will begin at 10:30 a.m. Lunch will begin at noon.

Sister Maureen Craig will be the recipient of the 2006 Ellen Cooperman “Angel” Award. A member of the Sisters of Charity of Leavenworth, the founding order of Saint John’s Health Center, Sister Maureen is chaplain for the center’s foundation. An award-winning poet and prolific writer, she is being honored for her ongoing commitment to patient advocacy and her dedication to Saint John’s patients and families, providing a steady stream of much-needed support in difficult times. Established in 1992 by Sidney R. Cooperman to honor the memory of his wife, Ellen, the award is given each year to a woman who has made a significant contribution as a role model to women everywhere.

The Auxiliary’s Public Service Award will be presented to the AVON Foundation, which, since 1955, has been committed to improving the lives of women. Over the course of 50 years, it has raised more than \$450 million, making a genuine and lasting difference in the lives of women everywhere, with a special focus on the issues of breast cancer and domestic violence.

Two-time Emmy and Golden Globe nominee Susan Sullivan will serve as the luncheon’s special guest host. A veteran of stage, screen and television, Sullivan starred in TV’s hit series “Falcon Crest” and “Dharma and Greg” and appeared in the hit film “My Best Friend’s Wedding” as Cameron Diaz’s mother.

Boutique vendors include Bed Head, Blix, Classy Bag Lady, Empire Diamond, Fleur’t, Hana Rachel, Just For You Fine Stationery, Karen Klein Candles, Martini Martini, Moonlite, New Moon Jewels, Positive Appearance Center, Shelley’s Fashions, Stephanie

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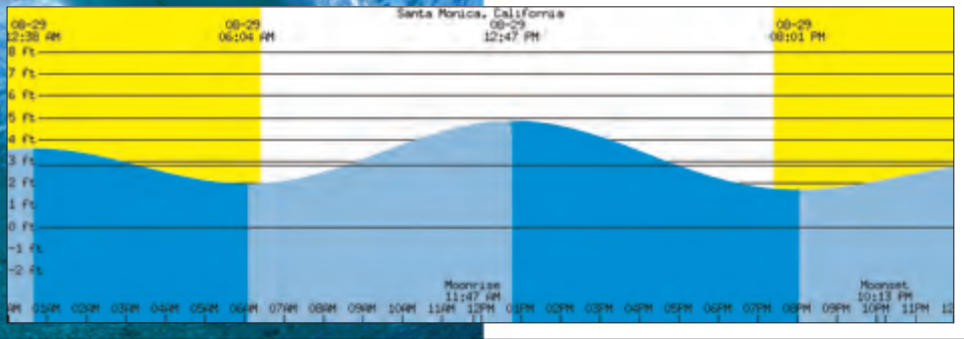
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So this week Q-Line wants to know, **“What qualities should the next police chief possess? What does he or she need to do to make Santa Monica safer and more livable?”**

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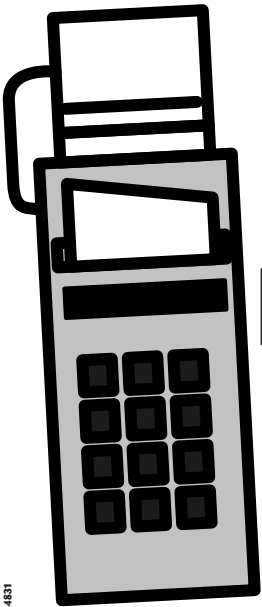
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GUEST COMMENTARY BY JOHN W. WHITEHEAD

Is 'Big Brother' riding shotgun?

The New York Times recently reported that government agents at airport security checkpoints have begun checking more than people's bags, pockets and shoes. Now, they are even checking faces. This new technique, called "behavior detection," is occurring in about a dozen of our nation's airports. The program, which our government borrowed from Israeli airport security agencies, trains a small group of agents from the Transportation Security Administration on how to identify people with "evil intent." These agents, once routine security screeners, receive only four days of classroom training and three days of practice before they are sent off to focus on passengers' facial expressions, body and eye movements, changes in vocal pitch and other indicators of stress.

While many Americans are concerned with the privacy issues relating to this program, even those who are close to the project recognize its flaws. Paul Ekman, a retired psychology professor from the University of California and the developer of some of the facial analysis tools used by the U.S. government in this program, admits, "We have no basis other than the seat of our pants to know how many points should be given to any one thing." In other words, the government has no idea if the program's intrusive methods will have even an ounce of success. And how could they, based on such subjective and unreliable indicators? People at airports are often in a hurry, under stress and agitated — all of which is expressed in their facial expressions and mannerisms.

Since the alleged British bomb plot, government officials are placing even more scrutiny on international passengers. A recent proposal by Homeland Security chief watchdog Michael Chertoff would permit government officials to look beyond known terrorists on watch lists and check unsuspected passengers' itinerary information more closely. Such information could include passengers' names, addresses and credit card information, plus their hotel and car reservations.

However, more comprehensive databases such as Passenger Name Record already exist, which the government could use to access this information. According to The New York Times, "Passenger Name Record is created by global travel reservation services like Sabre, Galileo and Amadeus, companies that handle reservations for most airlines as well as for Internet sites like Travelocity." When someone makes a reservation with a participating travel agency, a file is created containing the person's name, contact information, flight, car and hotel reservations and credit card information as it relates to the travel.

It's bad enough that the government can watch your flight patterns and facial behavior. However, it won't be long before they know each time you drive down the road to get a gallon of milk. In fact, the government already has the ability to access information right out of your car. Unknown to most Americans, nearly one-third of all vehicles

on the road today — and 64 percent of this year's models — contain small chips and sensors known as event-data recorders (EDRs) that can retain up to 20 seconds of data prior to an accident. This information includes speed, braking, acceleration and seatbelt usage in cars.

These "black boxes," which are similar to the ones used in airplanes, are being used by car rental companies, transport companies and even parents alongside other technology such as global positioning systems (GPS) to determine how fast their employees or children are driving, the number of hours behind the wheel and general driving patterns. The technology can even capture up to 300 hours of driving data, which is then easily downloaded onto a personal computer.

These black boxes also are being used in our nation's courtrooms to determine the outcome of criminal trials involving vehicular accidents. However, it doesn't stop there. Insurance companies are interested in using this technology to track their customers' driving habits, which, while not a true indicator of a driver's overall driving record, could lead to higher insurance rates. Some insurance companies have even begun offering their customers discounts for voluntarily providing them with the information captured by the recorders.

In fact, the growing concern that this technology will chip away at citizens' privacy rights has prompted several states to pass laws regulating their use and accessibility. In 2004, California was the first state to pass legislation that requires automakers to inform buyers if their vehicle has a black box and to restrict anyone from downloading the information from the box without the owner's permission. Since then, nine additional states have passed similar laws and 11 others are considering it. The issue has even received attention in Congress, with Representatives Mary Bono (R-Calif.) and Michael Capuano (D-Mass.) sponsoring a bill that would allow car owners to turn off their recorders.

The government, as usual, claims that all of these programs are done in the name of keeping Americans safe from terrorists — and even from ourselves. As the threat of terrorism confronts us, our government claims that new methods are necessary to track terrorists and prevent them from striking. Even the use of surveillance techniques that don't involve terrorists will simply be justified as being for our own good and safety.

But where will all this stop? As one privacy expert opines, "This is a confirmation of our warnings that once you let the camel's nose under the tent, it takes 10 minutes for them to want to start expanding these programs in all different directions."

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Take a break, you certainly deserve it

WHAT'S THE POINT?
BY DAVID PISARRA

Labor Day is here and with the end of season drawing near, now is the time for the final summer parties, putting away the inflatable toys from the kid's pool, packing up the barbecue and calming nervous children as they prepare to go back to school.

For most of us, Labor Day is nothing more than an excuse for a barbecue. It's time to get in the last joyous relaxing days of warmth and sunshine. For others it is perhaps the last long weekend of childhood enjoyment, for those lucky souls who are still teenagers and can enjoy all the bounty Santa Monica has to offer.

Labor Day began as a holiday to honor the working class in this country. Like so much of modern culture, it has become perverted and simply an excuse for marketers to sell off their end-of-season clearance. For the children, it is a day off from school and it should be a day of relaxation for a massively overworked society. Report after report shows that America has become a compulsive society consumed with work. We are constantly in contact and focused on getting ahead.

It's little wonder that we have to work so hard in this society that we have to force ourselves to take days off. In a country where a person's value is seemingly determined by the car they drive, the clothes they wear, how can we not expect people to be obsessive about the amount of money they're making, the sales they are projecting, and consequently to compete about how many hours they work?

In the 24-hours-a-day, seven-days-a-week world of the Internet, being connected is now obligatory. The expectation of instant communication at all times with everyone has infiltrated our society to such a degree that if we should be able to take an afternoon off and quiet our cell phones and not return an e-mail, people instantly assume something is wrong. People attend concerts these days and bring their Treos or Blackberries to check their text messages and e-mails, while in the middle of watching some performance that they have spent a couple of hundred dollars on. We are expected to instantly respond to an e-mail asking if we have an afternoon available three weeks in the future.

On the one hand, I'm a big proponent of technology and the ability to transfer our workplace effectively anywhere. On the other hand, for those of us who are incapable of shutting off a Treo or Blackberry for

even an afternoon I think that the transition to a constant-contact society is doing extreme harm.

Though the original meaning of Labor Day is to commemorate the economic and social achievements of workers. Principally begun in Australia as an outgrowth of a strike, it came to stand for the concept of an eight-hour work day and eight hours of recreation.

The idea of eight hours of recreation is foreign to almost all of us today, which is ironic because the advent of technology was supposed to free us. In some way it has — productivity for many people has become mobile. This is where the law of unintended consequences comes into play, and we see how dreams and reality meet, but in a way that no one foresaw.

For knowledge workers, technology has actually become the great enslaver, and for manual workers, technology has dramatically reduced the need for their efforts. When the factories of yesteryear were redesigned to accommodate the robots, workers were displaced, and we have not found a way in which to utilize them. This has resulted in a surplus of labor for a deficit of need.

There are many people who look at office workers and think that because they are not swinging a hammer, or riveting sheet metal, that they are not doing "real" work. But the truth of the matter is, in terms of stress and costs to one's life, the office worker, who is now expected to be "on call" all the time, is likely suffering from greater stress than the steelworker who worked an eight-hour day, and though they were physically exhausted at the end of the day, they could go home and put their job behind them.

The manual worker has a freedom that the knowledge worker does not enjoy. It is impossible to take home your work when you are a metal fabricator for Boeing. But I feel safe in saying that many a legal secretary has lost a good night's sleep worrying about some form that was due to be filed with the court.

Labor used to mean hourly shift workers, and it still does, but as we have progressed in society to become more dependent upon our knowledge skills, we also have changed the face of labor. As work has become portable, people are more capable of working all the time and the traditional concept of a laborer needs to adapt.

We are all more likely to be considered labor these days, and we should all take advantage of the original intent. To take a break and recognize our accomplishments, whether they are wrought by hammer or Blackberry, we all need to relax more.

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City, lawyers battle over fees

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said. "Everything is moving much more slowly than we would like."

City officials and attorneys representing the oil companies are finding little middle ground in agreeing on what method should be used to clean up the water wells and where the treatment plant should be located. All decisions must be made with a consensus from both sides, Perkins said.

That's proving difficult since the oil companies' attorneys are engaged in a bitter legal battle with City Hall over how much the contingency lawyers are entitled to in fees from the settlement. At issue is just how much City Hall owes its team of contingency lawyers for securing a \$121 million cash settlement, plus the value of a water treatment facility that eventually will clean up the water wells.

It most likely will come down to how a judge and jury interpret a 15-page complicated legal services agreement signed between City Hall and the contingency lawyers that is as ambiguous as the sliding scale of fee percentages outlined in it.

But after years of litigation and millions of dollars spent, the case has stalled. After losing numerous motions at the Superior Court level, City Hall has filed an appeal for a motion to compel arbitration with the California Court of Appeals, which has effectively stayed the case.

The motion was originally denied by Los Angeles Superior Court Judge David Minning and was based on the argument that because City Hall had terminated one of the law firms included in the original legal services agreement, the fee structure outlined in it isn't applicable.

Santa Monica-based attorney Roland Tellis, who is representing the law firms of Texas-based Baron & Budd, Sacramento-based Miller & Sawyer and San Francisco-based Sher & Leff — the three law firms that worked on the MTBE case for City Hall — believes the appeal is just a stalling tactic so city attorneys can regroup.

"We believe that because they came off the heels of six or seven losses, they filed a motion to compel arbitration and then appealed the judge's decision so it's an automatic stay," Tellis said.

The trial was supposed to begin this past February, but it looks like it won't be heard until the beginning of next year — if City Hall's appeal is denied. A hearing before the Court of Appeals could be scheduled this fall with a ruling expected by the end of the year.

"We believe that we can get this case back on track by early next spring," Tellis said.

Meanwhile, the design of the water treatment facility is moving equally slowly.

Perkins said an engineering committee comprised of city officials, consultants and engineers — hired by both City Hall and the oil companies — is considering different methods to clean up Santa Monica's drink-

ing water. But City Hall and the oil companies are disagreeing on several issues, including where the plant will be built and what type of facility it should be, Perkins said.

That matters a great deal to both sides because the contingency lawyers are entitled to a percentage of the value of whatever type of plant is built.

City Hall argues it should pay the attorneys on the value of the plant. The attorneys argue they should be paid on the cost and operation of the plant, which could be significantly higher than its value.

The treatment plant will become obsolete after Santa Monica's water is cleaned up and therefore worth nothing monetarily, city officials argue.

"We think we want a better handle on how we treat (the water)," Perkins said. "I think if we had to do it all over again, the city would control it itself."

But Tellis said city officials have created a conflict of interest for the public because they want the best technology to clean the water, which could increase the value of the plant and therefore increase the amount of money City Hall would have to pay the contingency lawyers.

"In dealing with the oil companies, they want a Volkswagen when it's about the value of the plant, but they want a Bentley when it comes to the method (of cleaning the water)," Tellis said.

He added that the value of the plant and a treatment method already has been established. A panel that includes a host of experts, including Rhodes Trussell, a Pasadena-based hydrology engineer, has appraised the value of the plant at \$135 million.

Tellis said Judge Minning ruled that the appraisal cannot be confirmed while the case is stayed.

"I find it hard to believe that they haven't agreed or haven't come up with a method," he said. "As long as the case is stayed, they need to take the position that these costs are unknown and what the method to cleaning the water is because they realize that they have to walk the line and take the same position in both proceedings."

But Perkins counters that the contingency fee dispute has little effect on the water treatment design process.

"It's not a major impact ... it diverts some attention, but it's sort of a sideshow at this point," he said.

Perkins expects that once the method is selected, a small scale pilot treatment plant will built by the end of this year and will run for six to 12 months. The design and building of the large treatment facility will be bid out and will take three years to build.

Because the legal services agreement between City Hall and the law firms is vague and ambiguous regarding a non-cash recovery, it's open for interpretation on whether or not the lawyers should be paid on the value of the plant or the cost of building and operating it.



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Six candidates vie for four seats on board

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the makings of a highly competitive campaign, one that could overshadow the much more visible race for control of the City Council.

The field of candidates includes three incumbents running for their first re-elections — Emily Bloomfield, Shane McLoud and Oscar de la Torre — and three political novices — Barry Snell, Kelly Pye and Sidonie Smith.

Each has their sights set on closing the achievement gap, easing overcrowding and continuing the district's recent success, including steadily rising test scores.

Incumbents plan to rely heavily on experience and the academic achievements of the last four years, many of which were guided by policies crafted under former school superintendent John Deasy. On the other hand, challengers are pointing to the failure of the current board to raise grade point averages of students of color, particularly males.

McLoud, 38, is the lone teacher currently on the school board, serving students at the Camino Nuevo Charter Academy near downtown Los Angeles. He has been an educator for the past 10 years and believes his experience in the classroom gives him a unique perspective on what students need to succeed.

"I want to continue with what I've been working on for the last four years ... including enhancing teacher training, a new facilities master plan and bond measure ... increased public funding, which helped us save music and art programs, nurses and class size reduction for (kindergarten

through third grade)," McLoud said.

If re-elected, McLoud said he will focus his attention on five areas: class size reduction for all grade levels to help underperforming students, improved operational efficiencies to save money and hire more teachers, professional development of faculty, increased resources and programs for disadvantaged students to ensure equity in education, and increased parent participation.

McLoud said he has the support of the mayors of Malibu and Santa Monica, and is looking to once again secure the backing of the Santa Monica Chamber of Commerce.

"We need to find more money so that class sizes can be reduced," McLoud said. "If you look at our most underachieving students ... their core classes have 32 to 34 more kids ... It's embarrassing."

With de la Torre, voters get a life-time Santa Monica resident who once served as the school-body president at Santa Monica High School. The director of the Pico Youth & Family Center, de la Torre believes he is in touch with the students who are most at risk of dropping out, making him a qualified candidate who can connect with youth like no other school board member can. De la Torre also said he is the only resident of the Pico neighborhood currently serving on any elected board, aside from the Planning Commission, which is important given the recent violence there.

"If re-elected, I will continue to be an advocate for the public school system that made me who I am today," de la Torre said. "I see myself as a role model for students who come from ... the south-side schools — that they can achieve academically, receive a

master's degree and one day serve on the school board. By supporting me, we send the right message to our student body."

De la Torre, 34, who has been endorsed by the powerful tenants group Santa Monica for Renters' Rights (SMRR), said he will put his energy into enhancing campus security and institute consistent disciplinary policies, as well as reduce class sizes. He said he also will work to institute programs that teach students about the importance of protecting the environment.

Another incumbent who is endorsed by SMRR is Bloomfield, a 46-year-old mother of three SMMUSD students who has worked in the private sector as an economist specializing in business management.

"I'm running again because I want to continue to see through a lot of the initiatives that were begun when I first started on the board, with a focus on closing the achievement gap," Bloomfield said, pointing to the redesign of Samohi into six smaller learning communities as an example of real reform that has helped students raise test scores.

Bloomfield feels stability and continuity are key in light of recent changes in the administration, including a new superintendent. There also have been changes at secondary schools in Santa Monica, with new principals coming on board.

"I would like to build new bridges with the community college to bring about new ways to collaborate and be creative," Bloomfield said. "We also have an opportunity to pass a new bond to bring all our schools up to basic standards in terms of safety and technology. That's another big opportunity that I want to be a part of."

Snell, 51, a resident of Santa Monica for 10 years, also is a SMRR-backed candidate, securing more votes at the political party's convention last month than any other candidate.

A father of three SMMUSD students, Snell has been active in the Parent Teacher Student Association (PTSA) at Samohi, where his daughter and youngest son attend.

"I've always been very passionate about education and also very committed to giving back to the community," said Snell, a certified public accountant. "I think Santa Monica has an excellent school system ... but I feel we are not paying enough attention to our male students. Being a male raising three kids on my own, I feel I can offer another perspective. And being a CPA, I have a healthy understanding of the struggle maintaining funding at levels we're accustomed to."

Snell said he would like to look at other revenue streams for the district, including building new partnerships with local businesses. If elected, he said he will also focus on bringing in male mentors.

"I'm hoping my commitment might stimulate more men to work in the system," Snell said. "Being a black male, a lot of times people will think that my interest only rests

with children of color. While I'm concerned about the achievements of African-American and Latino students, I want to position myself as an individual who is looking for quality education for all."

Pye, an advisory committee member of Community for Excellent Public Schools (CEPS), and a member of the district's equity fund oversight committee, rounds out the SMRR slate.

A former advertising sales representative for the Santa Monica Outlook and other newspapers, Pye now works for her husband. She runs his masonry business, which she said allows her time to take care of their two children and volunteer at school sites.

"Working to strengthen the schools has been my passionate commitment for the past seven years," Pye said in her candidate's statement.

Pye was out of town on vacation and could not be reached for comment.

If elected, Pye said she will work to expand art and music programs, as well as community partnerships and parental involvement, according to her candidate's statement.

"With your vote, I will help our district achieve a rich educational experience for all our children," she said.

Smith, a single parent of a Samohi alum, challenged Snell and Pye for the SMRR endorsement, but failed to secure enough votes. However, that hasn't stopped the "over 60 candidate" from moving full-steam ahead with her own campaign, which emphasizes curriculum reform to make it more culturally relevant for students of color.

"Santa Monica is a wonderful place ... but wonderful isn't perfect. We can grow in many areas," Smith said. "I would love to see our city, our community, take the idea that every child will graduate high school and make it a citywide effort, to put forth a marketing campaign so that everywhere students go, they are getting that message."

Smith is an administrator with Project GRAD (Graduation Really Achieves Dreams) LA, which helps disadvantaged students graduate from high school and attend college. Smith, a 30-year veteran in education and a long-time resident of Ocean Park, also works as a speech-language pathologist and former administrator with the Los Angeles Unified School District.

Smith is looking for the faith-based and business communities, as well as parents, to get more involved in education. Such involvement will allow students to see first-hand that someone cares about them, she said. She would also like to see curriculum changes that reflect the experiences of all students.

"When we talk about education, we often think that one size fits all, and that just doesn't work," Smith said. "Black and brown children weren't part of the conversation for establishing public schools, and when we have, there hasn't been much of a response."

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Industry 'safety valve' emerges as key issue in California bill

BY SAMANTHA YOUNG

Associated Press Writer

SACRAMENTO — If California becomes the first state to cap greenhouse gas emissions from industry, Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger wants to ensure that the government can delay the regulations if an emergency arises.

The so-called "safety valve" sought by the administration has emerged as one of the key obstacles in negotiations over the landmark bill. Democratic lawmakers who are pushing the bill say they fear such a clause would provide more of an escape hatch than a safety valve, providing a loophole for industries that don't want to meet the emission limits.

"We want to make sure we have a bill that's strong, that's enforceable, that has real teeth to it," Assembly Speaker Fabian Nunez, D-Los Angeles, said in an interview Monday with The Associated Press.

The legislation calls for the state's major industries, including utilities, oil and gas refineries, and manufacturers such as cement plants, to reduce their greenhouse gas emissions. The goal is for emission levels throughout California to reach 1990 levels by 2020.

The target would translate into an estimated 25 percent reduction in greenhouse gas emissions, which scientists blame for global warming.

Nunez said he planned to end negotiations and put the bill in its final form by 6 p.m. Monday, setting the stage for a Senate vote as early as Tuesday. But it was unclear whether the administration would endorse the bill, which does not provide as much assurances for businesses as Schwarzenegger officials had hoped.

The two sides have been negotiating intensely for weeks over the bill, rushing to reach a compromise before the legislative session ends on Thursday. Both sides have said they want to succeed — Democrats to advance one of their key policy initiatives and Schwarzenegger to continue momentum on climate change issues, one of his key environmental planks.

One of the outstanding issues is the so-called safety valve language. Both sides agree the state must have some flexibility to delay the emission caps if an emergency arises, but they remain at odds over when that would be appropriate.

Schwarzenegger has said he embraces an emissions cap, but his representatives say any legislation must give the state more flexibility to extend the timeline.

"This is a huge undertaking, an undertaking of 10 times the magnitude of energy deregulation," said Environmental Protection Agency Secretary Linda Adams, who is leading the negotiations for the administration. "We don't want to see another situation like the energy crisis where the state's hands were tied."

In 2001, then-Gov. Gray Davis was forced to call a special session of the Legislature to respond to the tripling of electricity rates and blackouts throughout the state, much of which was later determined to be caused by market manip-

ulation.

Adams said a future governor should be given the tools to react during an emergency, rather than waiting until one has occurred. For example, the administration says the state must be able to push back the 2020 date if it is hit with an earthquake, terrorist attack or other catastrophe.

Regulators also might not be able to meet the cap timeline if the U.S. Supreme Court disqualifies a 2004 state law reducing vehicle tailpipe emissions. That regulation accounts for about 30 percent of California's clean-air reductions, Adams said.

But environmental groups fear any leniency could doom the state's goals and remove the incentive for businesses to invest in reducing greenhouse gases.

In addition, leaving an out for industries could undermine the creation of a so-called "cap-and-trade market." Under such a scenario, emission credits would be priced and put on the open market for companies to buy, sell or trade in exchange for reducing their own emissions, said Jim Martson, a senior attorney at Environmental Defense.

"If you don't know where there's going to be a firm date by which you have to act, it's hard to determine the allowances," Martson said.

Business groups opposed to the bill point to the ongoing dispute over the safety valve as evidence that California would suffer an economic burden if an emissions cap were enacted into law.

"Ironically, there is no clear program to implement in AB 32, but state leaders are hung up on arguments about safety valves and emergency mechanisms," said Jeanne Cain, senior vice president of the California Chamber of Commerce. "They clearly must fear some major economic crises if this bill is enacted and actual programs are created."

The Chamber of Commerce has labeled the global warming bill a "job killer," saying companies forced to buy emission credits in California will simply leave the state to do business elsewhere.

California businesses are divided over whether they can realistically meet the bill's mandatory reductions. The cap calls for reducing greenhouse gases by 174 million tons per year or the equivalent of the annual emissions from 43 coal-fired plants.

Because of that, Schwarzenegger has said a market system for emission credits must be mandated in the bill. Democrats say the issue deserves more study before it is prescribed in legislation.

California is the world's 12th-largest emitter of such pollutants. State reports in recent years warn that global warming could have far-reaching consequences in the nation's most populous state. A two-to-three degree increase in the temperature could melt the Sierra snowpack earlier, lead to flooding in the Central Valley and threatening the state's long-term water supply.

Despite their differences, both sides say they are optimistic an agreement will be struck.

Alleged stalker must stay away until 2009

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given Ms. Bradford's ongoing course of conduct escalating unwanted personal contact."

Bradford, who had been in the studio audience, came onto the stage and exchanged words with Farrell, who escorted her offstage and called for NBC security personnel.

He then returned and apologized to the audience, joking that he had just met his "first stalker."

Bradford has filed "numerous harassing lawsuits" against Farrell and left "threatening voicemails" with his lawyer.

Bradford unsuccessfully sued the star of such films as "Alexander" and "SWAT" in small-claims court, alleging that he had stalked her.

She also self-published a book, "Colin Farrell: A Dark Twisted Puppy," which she displayed to reporters who attended a news conference she called last month, at which she claimed the star stalked her, not the other way around.

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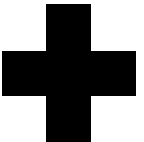
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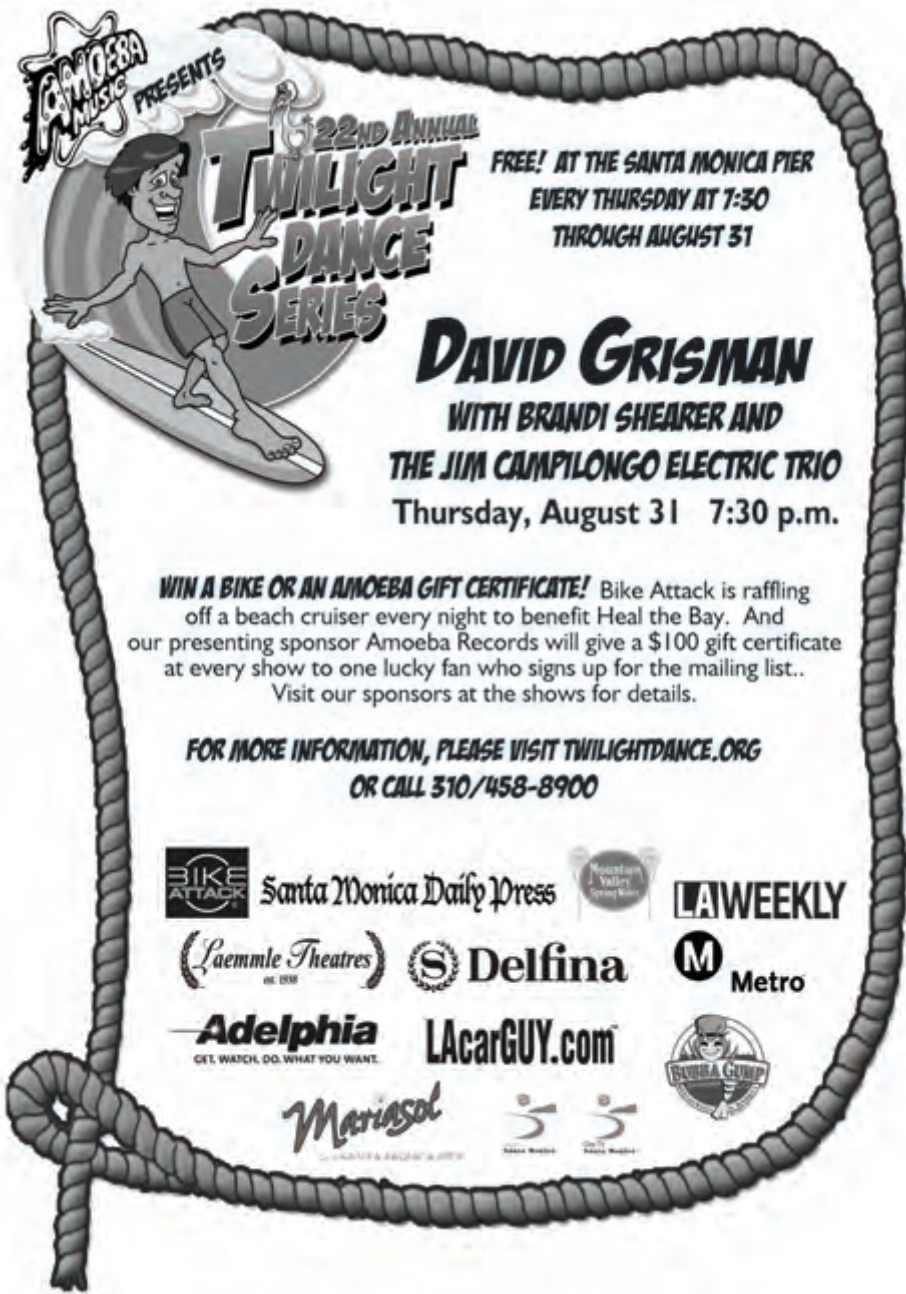
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GLENDALE

Graveyard lockdown upsets families

A virtual lockdown at a 121-year-old cemetery left graves untended for weeks and prevented families from visiting the burial sites of loved ones.

"It's just unbelievable what has happened to this once grand cemetery," said Sara Grassel, 67, of La Crescenta, who was removing debris Sunday from the graves of her grandparents, parents and son.

Grand View Memorial Park was closed June 13 after the state began investigating its owner. It opened for the first time in 10 weeks Sunday, and families were outraged to find snarls of weeds, dead grass and trash around graves.

Ryan Robinson found his father's grave so overgrown he had to go home for working gloves and trimmers.

"You need a weed whacker or a mower," Robinson said as he struggled to clear tangled weeds and brush.

The cemetery owner, Marsha Howard, was investigated for allegedly mishandling finances and bodily remains. Charges were dropped, but her license has been suspended pending a hearing. Also, Howard and cemetery operator Moshe Goldsman are defendants in a civil lawsuit.

The park had not been maintained since it was closed, and the water was shut off in June.

For now, no burials are permitted at the cemetery. Interments, disinterments, inurnments and the removal of ashes also are prohibited, pending the outcome of the state investigation.

Through an agreement with the owner, Glendale officials agreed to unlock the wrought-iron gate on Sundays.

"These people are obviously upset. ... Opening the cemetery one day a week was the least the city could do to help," said Glendale city spokesman Ritch Wells.

PASADENA

Pasadena police look to amend racial reputation

The Pasadena Police Department is taking steps to make sure justice is color blind — and they want residents know it.

Crime rates are down in the city, but a recent survey that gave the department generally high marks also suggested officers had an image problem with some minority residents.

Twice as many blacks as whites said police misconduct was a problem. And half of blacks and 45 percent of Latinos reported unwarranted police stops as at least a minor problem.

"Issues of race run deep in this country and in this community," said Pasadena police Chief Bernard Melekian, who came to the department in 1996. "Perception is everything. We must keep an open dialogue with community members in order to continue changing for the better."

Some policy changes were in place before the report was issued. Among them: residents who feel intimidated about going to a station to report grievances are allowed to file a complaint through the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People.

Other programs seek to improve relations with minority groups — as well as the community overall.

The report found there was another side to the issue — many officers feel they can be the target of unfair complaints over racial profiling or abuse of authority.

"They see a mostly white, male-dominated profession and draw conclusions," said Cmdr. Paul Gales, who is black. "As a profession, law enforcement organizations nationwide, not just in Pasadena, realize more and more that they should reflect the community they serve."

SAN BERNARDINO

Coroner's office to get new life

San Bernardino County's new budget will increase the staff of the coroner's office by 14 positions, after complaints that an overworked staff could be failing to recognize possible homicides.

"We've given them the resources to do the job," said Mark Uffer, county administrative officer.

In February, Deputy Coroner Randy Emon and former Coroner Brian McCormick warned that overwhelmed staffers could be missing signs of foul play in deaths. Since 1980 the county population has nearly doubled, but the coroner's office had more investigators two decades ago than it did earlier this year.

Concerns date at least to 2004, when visiting county supervisors discovered there were 125 bodies in a morgue designed to hold 85 bodies.

Investigators were handling 600 to 900 cases each year, but the National Association of Medical Examiners recommends investigators take on about 400 cases per year. Experts say to burden investigators more could lead to mistakes — including missing homicides — because investigators don't have enough time to thoroughly examine in each case.

MONROVIA

Officials: Marijuana dispensary put up smoke screen

City officials say a local business put up a smoke screen in order to open up a medical marijuana dispensary in a shopping center.

The store was opened for three days before city officials asked the owner to close.

Monrovia officials claim the business license called for a "vitamin and herb store," while a medical marijuana dispensary would have required a special permit.

But owner Steve Leon, who calls his store the Monrovia Patient Collective, said he and his lawyer were honest about the nature of his business.

While city officials say they were duped, Leon claims he was told by someone in the planning department that since a medical marijuana dispensary was not part of the city's zoning codes, he should open up as a retail sales business, which he said he did.

Let them not eat cake: More schools ban birthday treats

BY JENNIFER PELTZ

Associated Press Writer

Birthdays are becoming lessons in counting calories along with candles for thousands of kids heading back to school this fall.

A growing number of schools nationwide are curtailing or cutting out birthday sweets in the name of nutrition and weight control. Others are concerned about food allergies and contamination. Some also argue that birthday parties eat up class time.

It's a controversial topic, as local districts debate whether such policies protect the health of their children or if they needlessly destroy a longtime childhood ritual.

"There's no question that it's an issue out there," says Erik Peterson, a spokesman for the School Nutrition Association, a national group of school-food directors. " ...But no one wants to be the food police."

The federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention estimate that one in six school-age children is overweight, triple the proportion in 1980. The agency has projected that one in three children born in 2000 will eventually develop a form of diabetes linked to being overweight.

One recent study says school snack fests may play a role: A survey of 3,000 Minneapolis-area eighth-graders found that their average body-mass index — a common gauge of weight appropriateness — rose 10 percent with every form of noshing a school allowed, from fundraising bake sales to congratulatory pizza parties.

Against those kinds of statistics, Congress has declared that schools must establish wellness policies by the start of this school year in order to continue receiving various forms of funding, forcing schools to look at all their food policies.

There's no complete tally, but a recent School Nutrition Association study of the nation's 100 biggest public school systems found that more than 60 percent now have dietary guidelines or rules about classroom parties. They generally apply only during the school day.

Some examples:

■ Alabama public schools now ban any birthday treat that lists sugar or high-fructose corn syrup as its first ingredient.

■ New rules in Ogden, Utah, say public-school party food must meet dietary standards that limit sugar, fat and salt, though health administrator Mitch Wilcox says the requirements are aimed at teachers more than parents, for now.

■ In Howard County, Md., a new policy limits sugary celebrations to once a month at public schools, and even specifies that home-baked cakes and cookies cannot be cream-filled. At least one Howard County school, Centennial Lane Elementary, already bans birthday feasts entirely. So does Chandler School in Duxbury, Mass., where students now get a birthday sash, chair cover, sticker and pencil instead of sweets.

■ Many more school systems — from Fresno Calif., to Bow, N.H. — discourage junk-food birthday feasts, with varying degrees of force.

Some parents applaud the idea, saying school parties have become semi-regular blowouts instead of occasional treats.

"If we're trying to send a healthy message to the children on what's good to eat and we're having parties that are happening a couple of times a week or on a weekly basis, then I think that's not sending the best message," says Rhonda Avery of Lakeland, Fla.

Avery, a mother of three and registered dietitian, helped shape new birthday rules in central Florida's Polk County. As of last month, parties during school are limited to an average of once a month, unless the menu meets detailed new nutrition standards. Cupcakes with frosting? Try celery sticks with peanut butter. Candy? Well, maybe soy nuts.

But other parents have mixed feelings about cracking down on birthday cake and cupcakes, which have been fixtures of classroom parties long enough for many parents to remember their own.

The modern layered, elaborate birthday cake dates to the mid-19th century, when the advent of cookstoves and baking powder enabled home cooks to turn out impressive confections, says food historian Barbara Haber, the author of "From Hardtack to Home Fries: An Uncommon History of American Cooks and Meals." Precursors of birthday cake can be traced to medieval Europe or even ancient Greece.

Tennessee mom Susie Van Etten wonders whether schools are "emphasizing food to the point that they're going to give the kids a complex about food." Still, she supports new rules on the frequency and amount of birthday sweets at her 5-year-old daughter's school, West Cheatham Elementary, and hopes the restrictions won't harden into an all-out ban.

"I believe in 'everything in moderation' ... I do think that (kids) should be allowed to have a cupcake on their birthday," says Van Etten, a former restaurant manager who lives in Chapmansboro. "I don't think a child wants a pencil."

Some parents are considerably more bitter about bans on birthday sweets.

When northern New Jersey's Scotch Plains-Fanwood School District considered forbidding any edible birthday treats this year, "people came out and just poured out their souls about how we were stealing childhoods," says school-system spokeswoman Kathy Meyer. A proposal to bar birthday cakes and other junk food from public schools in Santa Clara, Calif., was compared to Prohibition, says mom and schools activist Noelani Sallings, who supported the plan.

Both school systems have since softened their proposed requirements into recommendations, officials said. They aren't the only schools that have backed off: After new statewide rules prompted cupcake embargoes at some Texas schools, state lawmakers declared last year that families may bring "any food product of their choice" for a birthday bash.

"I do think (kids) need to be learning about health and choices and those kind of things in school ... But having a cupcake for your birthday — if that's where we're at in trying to fight obesity in the United States, then we're way behind the curve," says Rep. Jim Dunnam, a Waco Democrat and father of three who led the pro-cupcake charge.

For all the debate over cupcakes, some schools say they're doing fine without them.

Meadowside Elementary in Milford, Conn., barred all "celebratory foods" in 2004 to protect a growing number of students with life-threatening food allergies, says Principal Bob Davis. PTA President Maryanne Weishaupt says parents have adjusted readily to bringing in toys, pencils and other items instead of cake.

In Fayetteville, Ark., 7-year-old Brenner Hickey is adjusting, too. In kindergarten at Vandergriff Elementary, she got cupcakes on her birthday. Last year the school stopped parents from bringing in birthday treats to share, and Brenner made do with a card and a pencil from the school principal.

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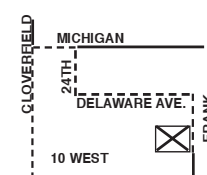
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By Daily Press staff

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The Early Childhood Parenting Center, a nonprofit child development organization, is sponsoring a parent education program entitled "Tiny Books for Tiny Tots." The program is set for Monday, Sept. 11, from 2 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. at 1440 Harvard St.

Parents will make a "little book" for their very young, pre-verbal infant or young toddler. The books are designed to be tools to help little ones better understand and make sense of life events — those that are expected occurrences, unexpected surprises, as well as events that are sad, scary or joyous.

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To register for the program, call (310) 281-9770 by Sept. 6. The fee is \$15, payable at the program. If you are paying by check, make checks payable to Community Partners, FBO, ECPC. For more information, log on to www.parentingtots.org.

Get rid of the 'brain drain'

By Daily Press staff

Any parent can attest to the challenges of preparing children for a new academic year after the "brain drain" of summer vacation. Many children forget weeks of school instruction over their summer break and have difficulty transitioning back into a learning mode.

"By exercising kids, imaginations and creativity, it prepares them for the school session to come," said Shell Herman, CEO and co-founder of KidzArt. "Programs like KidzArt make it fun for kids but that's not all. KidzArt also creates opportunities for kids to communicate, brainstorm and express themselves, which can be a great way to get the school year started."

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For more information, call (323) 852-0032.

Being bored is boring

**HOW MUCH IS ENOUGH?**

BY JEAN ILLSLEY CLARKE PH.D.

It's catching. Boredom is catching. Jeremy complained so regularly about being bored that his parents became bored hearing about it. Ellie's fifth grade class insisted that their lessons were boring so frequently that their teacher got bored with kids who want to be entertained full time. Jerry repeated why his job was boring so often that his wife got bored hearing about it. She described how boring her daily commute was so regularly that Jerry got bored hearing about that. Yes, boredom can be catching. And it can become a debilitating habit. Boredom is a super tool to use when you want to avoid responsibility or manipulate others.

Charlie, 14, appeared to believe that boredom relieved him of responsibility and allowed him to blame others for his misconduct. Charlie and his friends had done minor damage to a neighbor's home. The homeowner, instead of calling the police, had challenged the boys to think of a way to make amends. They decided each of them would do two hours of yard work as restitution. That was OK with the homeowner, but while the others were pulling weeds and picking up sticks, Charlie was wandering around, humming. When the homeowner asked why he had left his job he said he couldn't do it because it was boring and he went home. His mother, it was reported, commiserated with him because the homeowner was just trying to get free yard work and should have paid him. Bad news — boredom was used as a crutch for failure and condoned by a parent whose intent may be good. But, the impact of the mother's overindulgence does not bode well for this boy.

BOREDOM CAN BE POSITIVE

Too bad for Charlie, because boredom can be so helpful

to use at any age. It is a signal for us to take action. It says:

- Look around. What can I learn?
- How can I make this an enjoyable experience?
- Get up and do something.
- Why do I get myself stuck in this situation again and again?
- Have I made boredom a habit?
- Time to get creative.

HOW MUCH IS ENOUGH BOREDOM?

Charlie's mom let him use boredom to become irresponsible. Danny's mom has a different approach. She welcomes boredom. When Danny says he's bored, she says things like:

- Great. This is your opportunity to do something you have been wanting or needing to do.
- Do you want to help me sweep the garage?
- How long are you going to feel bored before you do something about it?
- Is this a good time for you to do some day dreaming?
- Do you have a book or a project that isn't finished?
- Shall we tell each other stories?
- Think of four things you could do and come tell me about them.

Whatever your approach, remember that children need to learn that boredom doesn't need to be catching and that it shouldn't become a habit. They need to understand that feeling bored is a signal that they have an opportunity. And children deserve to have parents who are not entertainment machines. You can read more about the results of doing things for children that they should be doing for themselves in the "How Much Is Enough?" book.

(Jean Illsley Clarke, Ph.D., Connie Dawson, Ph.D., and David J. Bredehoft, Ph.D., are co-authors of "How Much is Enough? Everything You Need to Know to Steer Clear of Overindulgence and Raise Likeable, Responsible, and Respectful Children." Illsley Clarke can be reached at jiconsults@aol.com. To read more about overindulgence, go to www.overindulgence.info.)

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BIG! WORLD! FUN! FAMILY SERIES at the FORD
11:00 a.m. - Saturdays thru the summer. This series runs through Sept. 30 and features music, theatre and more. Adults \$5, kids are FREE! Ford Amphitheatre, 2580 E. Cahuenga Blvd., LA, 323-461-3673, www.fordamphitheatre.org.

SUNDAY, SEPT. 3
FAMILY FUNDAY PERFORMANCE at the THEATRICUM BOTANICUM
11:00 a.m. - Top-notch entertainment provides a morning of fun, music and imagination at this weekly event. \$8. 1419 Topanga Canyon Blvd., Topanga, 455-3723. Series runs through the summer.

TUESDAY

Movies for Moms! 11:00 a.m., Loews Cineplex Broadway Theatre, 1441 3rd St. Promenade – for Moms and babies newborn – 1 year old. Doors open early for socializing and getting comfortable. Visit www.enjoytheshow.com/reelmoms for details.

Storytelling
Main Library – 601 Santa Monica Blvd. – 458-8621
Next session starts Sept. 5 for:
Baby Time – 10:15 & 10:45 a.m., babies up to 2 years.
Spanish and Bilingual Stories – 11:20 a.m. Ages 2 – 5.
Fairview Branch Library – 2101 Ocean Park Blvd – 450-0443.
Toddler Story Time in Spanish – 10:00 a.m., ages 2-3, next session Sept. 5 – Oct. 10.
Baby Time – 11:00 a.m., babies to age 2, next session Sept. 5 – Oct. 10.
Twilight Story Time -7pm – an ongoing program for 3-5 year olds.
Montana Avenue Branch Library – 1704 Montana Ave – 829-7081.
Family Story Time – 7:00 p.m., all ages.
Ocean Park Branch Library – 2601 Main St. – 392-8304
Story Time for Twos – 10:00 and 10:30 a.m., starts Sept. 19, register beginning Aug. 30.
Tiny Tuesday Storytime at Storyopolis
For ages infant to 3. 11:00 a.m. 116 North Robertson, Plaza A, LA. 310-358-2500, www.storyopolis.com
Barnes and Noble at the Grove

Storytime for ages 2 – 6. 10:00 a.m. 189 Grove Drive, LA, 323-525-0270

Classes
YWCA – A Place for Parents –Toddler & Me Class - 9:15 - 10:15 a.m. – 12 to 36 months; Infant & Me Class – 10:45 – 11:45 a.m. and 1:30 – 2:30 p.m., 0 – 12 months; 2019 14th St. Call 452-3881for details and prices.
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Yoga Works – 2215 Montana Ave, 310-393-5150; Pre/postnatal – 12:30 – 1:55 p.m., \$15. Mommy and Me – 1:45 – 3:00 p.m.
Mommy Care – at the Dance Factory, 11606 San Vicente Blvd., Brentwood, 310-394-6711. Combined Pregnancy/Recovery Exercise Group – 7:00 – 8:00 p.m.. (babies welcome, includes baby massage and workout at the end)
Stroller Strides Fitness Class – 9:30 a.m. Mon. – Fri., Palisades Park, call 800-795-6708 or visit www.strollerstrides.com for more info.
YoMama Yoga – 1404 3rd St. Promenade, St. 201. Parent & Me –

10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.; 12:30 – 1:30 p.m. Yoga for parents with kids ages 6 wks – 6 years. Kids interact with each other and toys. \$15 single class, \$65 for five classes, \$120 for ten classes. yogababyla.com

Breastfeeding Group
The Pump Station, 2415 Wilshire Blvd., 310-998-1981 - drop-in, first class free, \$10 fee thereafter. Moms/babies 0-4 months, 1:00 – 2:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY

MOMS Club of SM South Playgroups – Newborn group - call for time.
4:30 p.m., separate groups for children born in 2000 and 2001. Call or email Alison at 450-0209 or riversalison@hotmail.com for more info. All moms welcome!

Storytelling
The Talking Stick Coffee Lounge – 1630 Ocean Park Blvd., 450-6052
10:30 a.m. Free story time for moms and kids ages 0-4 at this neighborhood coffee shop.
Fairview Branch Library – 2101 Ocean Park Blvd – 310-450-0443.
Next session Sept. 6 – Oct. 11 for both **Story Time for Twos** – 9:30 a.m.
Preschool Story Time – 10:30 a.m.; ages 3-5.
Montana Avenue Branch Library – 1704 Montana Ave – 310-829-7081.
Baby Time - 10:15 & 11:15 a.m., ages 0-2, next session Sept. 13 – Oct. 18.
Ocean Park Branch Library – 2601 Main St. –392-3804.
Preschool Twilight Story Time – 7:00 p.m. Parents/children ages 3-5.
Barnes and Noble, Westside Pavilion – 2 pm – ages 2-5 – 310-475-4144
Border's, Westwood – 11a.m. – 310-475-3444.

Classes
YWCA – A Place for Parents –Toddler & Me Class - 10:30 – 11:30 a.m., 5 to 36 months; 2019 14th St. Call 452-3881for details and prices.

Yoga & Exercise
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Prenatal Yoga – 11:15 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. \$18 single class, \$85 for five classes. yogababyla.com
Yoga Works, 2215 Montana Ave, 310-393-5150 Pre/Postnatal – 12:30 – 2:00 p.m., \$15
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Other
Puppetolio – 1:00 p.m., 310-656-0483, 1255 2nd St., ages 3 & up, reservations suggested

THURSDAY
MOMS Club of SM South Playgroup – 3:00 – 5:00 p.m. for children born 1/02 – 2/03; 3:30 p.m., for children born 3/03 – 12/03, Call or email Alison at 450-0209 or riversalison@hotmail.com for more info. All moms welcome!

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Classes
YWCA – A Place for Parents –Toddler & Me Class - 9:15 - 10:15 a.m. and 10:45 – 11:45 a.m., 12 to 36 months; Parent Support Group – 3:30 – 4:30 p.m., age 3 – 5 years; 2019 14th St. Call 452-3881for details and prices.
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The Pump Station, 2415 Wilshire Blvd., 310-998-1981 - drop-in, first class free, \$10 fee thereafter. Moms/babies 4-8 months, 1:00 – 2:30 p.m.

FRIDAY

MOMS Club of SM South Playgroups
11:00 a.m. - playgroup for children born 10/04 – 5/05. Call or e-mail Alison at 450-0209 or riversalison@hotmail.com for more info.
Parent's Night Out at Child's Play, 2299 Westwood Blvd., 6:00 – 11:00 p.m.
Kids get a night of supervised fun with pizza, games and more while parents go out. Ages 3-10, \$9 per hour, \$7 siblings, 3 hour minimum. Reservations required, 470-4997. ww.childsplayonline.net

Classes
YWCA – A Place for Parents –Toddler & Me Class - 9:15 - 10:15 a.m. – 12 – 36 mos.; Playtime/Parent Support - 10:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m., 2019 14th St. Call 452-3881 for details and prices.

Yoga & Exercise
Kid's Yoga Circle Class at Exhale Spa – 3:30 p.m., for ages 5 – 11, 1422 2nd St., 260-2736 or yogaforkids@hotmail.com.
Yoga Works – 2215 Montana Ave, 310-393-5150; Pre/postnatal – 12:30 – 1:55 p.m., \$15.
Stroller Strides Fitness Class – 9:30 a.m. Mon. – Fri., call 800-795-6708 or visit www.strollerstrides.com for more info.

SATURDAY

Storytelling
Barnes and Noble, 3rd St. Promenade – Kid's Story Time – 10am, 310-260-9110
Barnes and Noble, Westside Pavilion – 10:30am – ages 2-5, 310-475-4144.
Children's Book World, 10580 1/2 Pico Blvd, LA - 10:30 a.m., every other Sat., 310-559-BOOK.
Village Books, 1049 SwarthmoreAve, Pacific Palisades – 10:30 a.m., 454-4063.
826LA, 685 Venice Blvd, 2nd Floor, Venice – 10:30 – 11:30 a.m., ages 3-6, RSVP to info
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Puppetolio – 1:00 and 3:00pm, 310-656-0483, 1255 2nd St., ages 3 & up, reservations suggested
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Parks will get transit help

BY THOMAS J. SHEERAN

Associated Press Writer

PENINSULA, Ohio — Federal officials on Monday announced 42 grants totaling almost \$20 million to reduce traffic in America's national parks and public lands by providing alternative transit including trains, shuttle buses and bicycle trails.

The goal of the Alternative Transportation in the Parks and Public Lands program is to reduce pollution and congestion and preserve parklands and wildlife areas while increasing access for visitors, including the disabled.

The grants were announced at the 33,000-acre Cuyahoga Valley National Park by Deputy Interior Secretary Lynn Scarlett and Federal Transit Administrator James Simpson. The officials climbed aboard the park's historic train for a tour after the announcement, which included \$898,000 in grants for upgrades to the rail.

The biggest of the grants included \$4.7 million to buy rail

cars for the Chugach National Forest in Alaska, \$1.4 million for propane-powered buses for Maine's Acadia National Park and \$1.2 million for a replacement boat dock at Glacier Bay National Park and Preserve in Alaska.

Grants in the four-year program "will have a nationwide impact," said Rep. Ralph Regula, R-Ohio, who co-sponsored the original legislation creating the Cuyahoga Valley park, Ohio's only national park.

Scarlett and Simpson said the grants eventually will total \$97 million by 2009.

"More visitors enjoy our parks and public lands each year, and this program provides an additional tool to help enhance the visitor experience," Scarlett said.

The Cuyahoga Valley park, located between Cleveland and Akron, drew more than 2.5 million visitors last year.

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By The Associated Press

PARKSVILLE, British Columbia — If you're interested in a three-hour tour, George Schultz of Parksville has just the boat for you.

For about \$89,000 (U.S.), you can buy the boat famous for setting aground on an uncharted desert isle to set the stage for the 1960s television classic "Gilligan's Island."

The S.S. Minnow was supposedly off for a three-hour tour when, as the theme song explained, "The weather started getting rough, the tiny ship was tossed. If not for the courage of the fearless crew, the Minnow would be lost."

The real-life Minnow also ran aground.

The twin-diesel, 36-foot mahogany Wheeler Express Cruiser hit a reef in Hecate Strait as the former owner was taking the vessel down the coast from Alaska. Scotty Taylor of Parksville said the owner sold the 46-year-old boat to him for salvage on condition that he promise to restore it.

Schultz, a boat broker, estimated Sunday that the work cost more than \$180,000.

Kind of like the old definition of a boat as a hole in the water into which to pour money?

"You better believe it!" Schultz said with a laugh.

Taylor is selling the storied vessel because he's tired of it.

"He's going on 70 now and doesn't want to bother with it anymore," Schultz said. "It would make a great investment for a three-hour tour."

According to the Gilligan's Island Web site, the boat is the third of four vessels used in the show. Taylor's Minnow was used in the opening credits of the second season.

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Dozens killed in Iraq in spike of violence

BY ELENA BECATOROS

Associated Press Writer

BAGHDAD, Iraq — A suicide car bombing and clashes between Shiite militia and Iraqi security forces left at least 50 people dead Monday in a brutal contradiction of the prime minister's claim that bloodshed was decreasing.

The deaths followed bombings and shootings Sunday that killed more than 60 people across the country, from the northern city of Kirkuk to Baghdad and Basra in the south.

The dead included eight American soldiers, one of the U.S. military's deadliest weekends in months.

In the city of Diwaniyah, gunbattles between Iraqi forces and militiamen of the Mahdi Army loyal to radical cleric Muqtada al-Sadr left at least 34 people dead and about 70 wounded, Iraqi officials said.

The fighting broke out late Sunday night when Iraqi soldiers conducted raids in three neighborhoods to flush out the militiamen and seize weapons, said army Capt. Fatik Aied.

He said the fighting continued Monday.

The al-Sadr representative in Diwaniyah, Sheik Abdul-Razaq al-Nidawi, told The Associated Press that "the Iraqi army pulled out of Diwaniya and the Mahdi army is in state of high alert."

Dr. Mohammed Abdul-Muhsen of the city's general hospital said 34 bodies were brought in — 25 Iraqi soldiers, seven civilians and two militiamen. He said at least 70 people were injured.

Fatik said the militiamen were using rocket-propelled grenades and assault rifles. At least 10 militiamen had been arrested, he said.

Diwaniyah, 80 miles south of Baghdad, is a Shiite-dominated city where the influence of the Mahdi Army has been gradually increasing. It already runs a virtual parallel government in Sadr City, a slum in eastern Baghdad.

The government of Prime Minister Nouri al-Maliki, a Shiite, has found it difficult to rein in al-Sadr, whose movement holds 30 of the 275 seats in parliament and five Cabinet posts.

Al-Sadr's backing helped al-Maliki win the top job during painstaking negotiations within the Shiite alliance that led to the ouster of Prime Minister Ibrahim al-Jaafari.

Al-Sadr mounted two major uprisings against the American-led coalition in 2004 after U.S. authorities closed his newspaper and pushed an Iraqi judge into issuing an arrest warrant against him.

American forces have been wary of confronting the Mahdi Army because of al-Sadr's clout and his large following among Iraq's Shiite majority.

Some 10,000 Iraqis have been killed in the last four months in unrelenting attacks by Sunni and Shiite extremists on each other's communities, as well as bombings and shootings by Sunni Arab insurgents.

Midmorning Monday in Baghdad, when traffic is usually heavy, a suicide car bomber slammed into a police check-

point outside the Interior Ministry. The blast, heard a mile away, killed 16 people, including 10 policemen, police 1st Lt. Ahmed Mohammed Ali said. He said 18 policemen were among the 47 people wounded.

Elsewhere in the capital, a roadside bomb in the mainly Sunni western neighborhood of Jihad struck a car transporting five barbershop workers, killing one person and seriously wounding four, police Lt. Maitham Abdul-Razzaq said.

The U.S. military said eight U.S. soldiers were killed Saturday and Sunday in and around Baghdad, seven of them by roadside bombs and one by gunfire. More than 2,600 U.S. military personnel have died since the beginning of the Iraq war in March 2003.

U.S. military authorities said there was less violence than before.

"We have reduced the amount of violence," military

spokesman Maj. Gen. William B. Caldwell told reporters in Baghdad. "We are actually seeing progress out there."

"Whether it is shops opening, banks opening, neighborhood trash being removed, women and children moving about in their neighborhoods ... Iraqi security forces are making progress," he said.

The renewed violence nonetheless undercut al-Maliki's claim that government forces were prevailing over insurgents and sectarian extremists.

"We're not in a civil war. Iraq will never be in a civil war," he said through an interpreter on CNN television Sunday. "The violence is in decrease and our security ability is increasing."

(Associated Press writer **Vijay Joshi** in Baghdad contributed to this report.)

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Barnyard: The Original Party Animals (PG)
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Charity case McCartney backs out of fundraiser

A charity backed by **PAUL MCCARTNEY** and his estranged wife has canceled a fundraising gala after the former Beatle said he would not attend, British newspapers reported.

The event, set for Oct. 11 in Los Angeles, was intended to raise money for the Adopt-A-Minefield campaign, the Daily Mirror said. Heather Mills McCartney helped

found the charity.

Adopt-A-Minefield declined to comment on the reports Friday and would not say whether the event had been canceled.

British newspapers reported that McCartney was considering making a donation to the organization to compensate it for the cancellation.

Stuart Bell, McCartney's

spokesman, confirmed that McCartney would be making a donation, although he declined to comment on the exact sum.

McCartney, 64, and Mills McCartney, 38, announced their separation in May after four years of marriage. They have begun divorce proceedings in an increasingly acrimonious split. The couple have a 2-year-old daughter, Beatrice.

The former Beatle announced his decision not to attend the gala in July, saying in a statement that he would not be able to attend "given the current circumstances."

Last year's gala in Los Angeles, hosted by the couple, raised some \$3 million for minefield clearance and the rehabilitation of land mine victims.

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MCCARTNEY

BROKEN BOND

BARBARA BACH, a former Bond girl and wife of ex-Beatle Ringo Starr, was hospitalized with a broken leg after being kicked by a horse.

Bach was admitted Sunday to the Royal Surrey Hospital in Guildford, 35 miles southwest of London. She had surgery to repair her fractured right femur, the hospital said Monday.

Bach, who turned 59 on Sunday, married Starr in 1981. The couple appeared together in the 1981 film "Caveman."

She was a Bond girl in 1977's "The Spy Who Loved Me," starring Roger Moore as Agent 007.

AP



GONG LI

Scene clears Chinese censors

"Miami Vice," which includes steamy love scenes between **COLIN FARRELL** and Chinese actress **GONG LI**, has cleared censors in China, a Beijing newspaper reported.

The Beijing News quoted director Michael Mann as saying the film had been cleared to screen in Chinese movie theaters and that he was considering returning to China to attend the premiere.

Mann was in Shanghai to film a commercial, the newspaper said.

The report in Sunday's editions said it wasn't clear if censors had asked that the R-rated movie be edited in any way.

State-run China Film Group declined to confirm the report. Yuan Wenqiang, the group's vice president for external relations, said work on importing "Miami Vice" was ongoing.

"I'm not at liberty to tell you what stage it's at," he told The Associated Press.

China only imports 20 foreign films a year and keeps a tight watch over their content.

Beijing banned last year's "Memoirs of a Geisha," which starred Zhang Ziyi and Gong, reportedly over concerns about stoking anti-Japanese sentiment.

AP

Richards' smoking pardoned

Keith Richards won't be fined for reportedly lighting up during a Rolling Stones concert in Scotland.

The stage at Hampden Park, where the band performed

Friday night on their "A Bigger Bang" tour, is exempt from a new law that bans smoking in enclosed public places, the Glasgow City Council said Monday.

Violators of the new law, which took effect in March, can be fined up to \$95. The ban includes theaters and sports venues.

Richards' publicists at LD Communications in London did not immediately return a call

seeking comment.

The City Council said it had heard from journalists that the 62-year-old guitarist was smoking during the performance, but it wasn't known whether the journalists had been at the concert.

AP

Carey hands over keys in exchange for photo op

MARIAH CAREY handed a Nashua couple the keys to a new car. The couple handed them back.

Melanie Anderson won free tickets to Carey's concert in

Boston last week, then learned she'd won a drawing for a new car. Carey gave Anderson the keys to a Mazda Miata at the concert.

Anderson, 28, and her fiancée, Tony Neve, 32, said

they're not going to keep the car. The dealer agreed to buy it back for \$18,500. The couple said they will use the money to pay for their Sept. 30 wedding.

Carey hugged Anderson and

Neve before posing for photos.

Anderson said the 36-year-old pop diva kept running over to look at the digital camera to see how the images looked.

"She didn't like a couple of

the pictures, so she had us erase stuff," Anderson said. "She straightened out my hair and fixed Tony's collar and made sure we looked OK."

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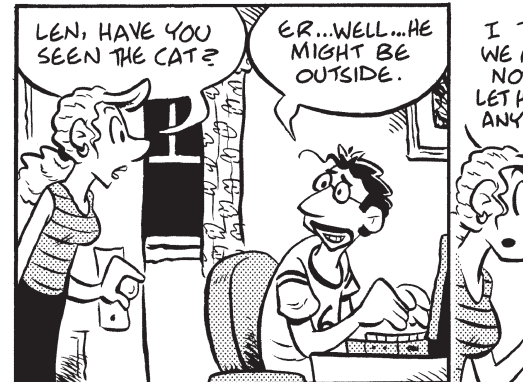
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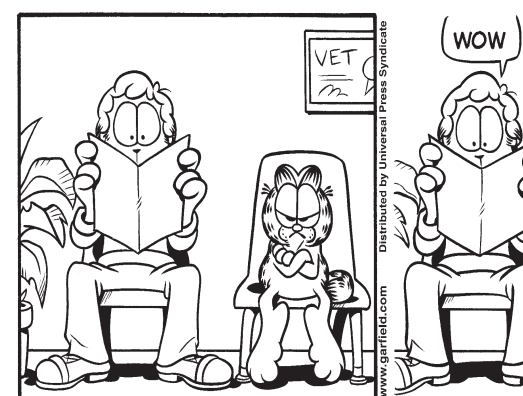
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(UCC Sec. 6105)

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The location in California of the Chief Executive Office of the seller is: 3021 GLENN AVE. SANTA MONICA, CA 90405

The name(s) and business address of the buyer(s) is/are: DOLLARD DEVELOPMENT, INC., GURCHARAN GREWAL & HARPAUL GREWAL, 25637 WILDE AVE, STEVENSON RANCH, CA 91381
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Notices

the office of: DISCOVERY ESCROW COMPANY, 7777 CENTER AVE, STE 180, HUNTINGTON BEACH, CA 92647, ESCROW NO. 30434-LO, ESCROW OFFICER: LAURIE J. ORR and the anticipated sale date is SEPTEMBER 19, 2006

The bulk sale is subject to California Uniform Commercial Code Section 6106.2.

The name and address of the person with whom claims may be filed is: DISCOVERY ESCROW COMPANY, 7777 CENTER AVE, STE 180, HUNTINGTON BEACH, CA 92647, ESCROW NO. 30434-LO, ESCROW OFFICER: LAURIE J. ORR and the last day for filing claims by any creditor shall be SEPTEMBER 18, 2006, which is the business day before the anticipated sale date specified above.

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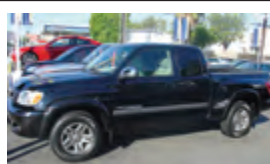
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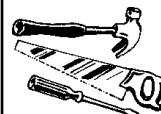
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