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NEWS OF THE WEIRD BY CHUCK SHEPARD

■ At Northern Ireland's Belfast Zoo in September, Phoebe the chimp and two others managed to climb out of their compound, and armed security guards had to come round them up. In an effort to frighten the animals into submission, they fired shots into the air, and according to the reporter for The Guardian newspaper, the chimps not only became docile at the sound of gunfire, but they put their hands up.

■ In September, veterinarian Jon-Paul Carew of the Imperial Point Animal Hospital in Fort Lauderdale, Fla., surgically removed a 13-inch-long serrated knife that had been swallowed by Elsie, a 6-month-old St. Bernard puppy, and the dog is now doing fine. The blade was lodged between her esophagus and stomach for about four days and was detected by an X-ray. Said Elsie's owner, "She wants to eat everything and anything."

TODAY IN HISTORY

Today is the 290th day of 2005.
There are 75 days left in the year.

On Oct. 17, 1777, British forces under Gen. John Burgoyne surrendered to American troops in Saratoga, N.Y., in a turning point of the Revolutionary War. In 1919, the Radio Corporation of America was created.

In 1931, mobster Al Capone was convicted of income tax evasion and sentenced to 11 years in prison. (He was released in 1939.)

In 1933, Albert Einstein arrived in the United States as a refugee from Nazi Germany.

In 1941, the U.S. destroyer Kearney was torpedoed by a German submarine off the coast of Iceland; 11 people died.

In 1945, Col. Juan Peron staged a coup, becoming absolute ruler of Argentina.

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Legal fees no drop in bucket

Contaminated water fight leaves city, lawyers at odds

BY CAROLYN SACKARIASON
Daily Press Staff Writer

CITY HALL — When lawyers hired by City Hall were grappling with 18 oil companies for contaminating Santa Monica's drinking water, they ran up some hefty bills. Among them were meals at the

city's most expensive restaurants, stays at upscale hotels and trips by private jet.

The attorneys' efforts to get taxpayers to foot the bills, which have been buried in a pile of expenses that nearly total \$1 million, have raised eyebrows — and more legal fees.

What's more, the contingency fee arrangement in the multi-million dollar case is in dispute, though the case was largely successful, resulting in a settlement the tactics of which are also in dispute. The two sides are set for trial in March. At issue is just how much City Hall owes its team of

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Aircraft dispute adds fuel to the MtBE case

BY CAROLYN SACKARIASON
Daily Press Staff Writer

CITY HALL — A lawyer battling City Hall over pricey expenses being billed to taxpayers has denied that those bills ever included the use of a private jet, according to documents in the bitter dispute.

The disagreement comes in the wake of a settlement of City Hall's lawsuit against 18 oil companies for contaminating the city's drinking water. In the case, the city hired three outside law firms, all working on the basis they would share the fruits of the settlement.

The city already has declined to pay some of the additional expenses lawyers have run up at expensive restaurants and hotels around town. But Marshall Grossman, a lawyer representing other lawyers who did the eating and drinking in the case, disputes a city contention that the expenses included use of a private jet used by one of the law firms involved in the case, Baron & Budd.

The case has shed light on a culture clash between high-powered attorney lifestyles and the expectations of a City Hall charged with protecting taxpayers' money.

At issue is \$88,543 worth of travel expenses the city claims was billed by lawyer Fred Baron, who used a chartered private jet. Though Grossman denied the billing, a copy of the 2002 invoice shows \$88,543 in air travel charges.

Grossman also claimed that city attorneys routinely dined on the contingency lawyers' dime at Le Merigot Hotel and other high-end spots. Those dimes have now come back to haunt the city in the form of bills the contingency lawyers want taxpayers to pay.

"They had champagne tastes when it came to eating with the

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This one's for the farmers, you dig?



Fabian Lewkowicz/Daily Press

Musicians from the Jason Myers Quartet entertain the throngs on hand at Sunday's Farmer's Market on Main Street. Dan Weinstein (right) jams on his sousaphone while Dan Mohr accompanies on his tuba.

COMMUNITY PROFILES

COMMUNITY PROFILES IS A WEEKLY SERIES THAT APPEARS EACH MONDAY AND DELVES INTO THE PEOPLE WHO LIVE, WORK AND PLAY IN SANTA MONICA.

Watching history unfold for 104 years

BY JASMIN PERSCH

Special to the Daily Press

Until two years ago, Pedro Galvan could typically be seen sitting with his wife Alejandra on their porch, hand in hand, her head on his shoulder.

Today, Galvan sits on the porch with his dog. Alejandra passed away three months before turning 104.

Losing loved ones is something

the centenarian has had to come to grips with, something that goes hand in hand with embarking on a second century of life. In addition to his wife, Galvan has outlived two of his children, his parents and his brothers and sisters.

Likely the oldest person in Santa Monica, Galvan will celebrate his 104th birthday on

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LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
★★★★ Others can upset your apple cart if you allow them to. On the other hand, you can swing with change and upset. Depend on a very important friend or associate. Together you can handle nearly anything. Tonight: Be a duo.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
★★★★ If you are exhausted, honor the drain in your energy. Let others run with the ball. You always feel as if you have to do everything. You don't. Your friendly ways move others to see events through your eyes. Tonight: Flip through your messages first.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
★★★★ You might expect changes with a romantic relationship, child or creative product — perhaps not immediately, but soon. Look at this phase as a transformation. Concentrate on each task you do right now, and tension will ease. Tonight: In your favorite chair.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
★★★★ Handle a personal or domestic matter first thing this morning. You will need to come to some kind of conclusion. Once you clear out this situation, your creativity will flourish, no matter what you focus on. Tonight: Bring others together.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
★★★★ Take your car in for a checkup in the near future. Also, become a more cautious driver. Are you considering a home office or remodeling a room or two? Aquarius adores the different. Tonight: Return a long-distance call.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
★★★★ Handle your finances with kid gloves today and for the next several weeks. You will find that others have many suggestions as to how to invest your funds, or what to do with them. Claim your power; make your own choices. Tonight: Chat with a friend.

ARIES (March 21-April 19)
★★★★ With an Eclipse in your sign this morning, your levels of energy could fluctuate dramatically. Don't push yourself, as you could be accident-prone. Go into slow mode; do more mental work involving finances and your bills. Tonight: Revise your fall budget.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
★★★★ You certainly hop out of bed on the wrong side this morning. Have you thought about getting back in bed and calling in, or at least making this a half-day? You will be all the happier if you move like a tortoise. The good news is, you end the day as a hare. Tonight: Whatever makes you happy.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
★★★★ A change involving a friendship, meeting or goal happens quickly. You might ponder what has happened for quite a while. Take your time today, taking no strong actions. Your imagination finds solutions. Tonight: Take it easy.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)
★★★★ Be ready to swing or adjust to a different professional or community stance. Be gracious, knowing that ultimately everything happens for the better. Meetings add to your resourcefulness. Tonight: Brainstorm away.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
★★★★ Information and news could rapidly change. Confirm what you hear with care, because your decisions and pending actions will be determined as a result. Others admire your resourcefulness blended with your leadership. Tonight: In charge, whether you want to be or not.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
★★★★ Someone close or key to your life could change his or her tune soon. Once more, take the high road and walk in others' shoes. Explore new ways of thinking and handling issues. Talk to someone more knowledgeable than you. Tonight: Read between the lines.

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LOCAL



Rounded off



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The first person to correctly identify where this mystery photo was taken will win a prize, courtesy the Daily Press. E-mail answers to editor@smdp.com.

COMMUNITY BRIEFS

Drugstore cowboys get to the bottom of it

By Daily Press staff

Seniors concerned about escalating prescription drug costs can get an educated explanation of benefits this week, courtesy of the city of Santa Monica.

The city of Santa Monica's Commission for the Senior Community will feature a free education presentation on the New Medicare Drug Benefit. Guest speaker, Ilene Harper, executive director of the Center for Health Care Rights, will be present to explain what benefits are provided under the new Medicare drug coverage and how the Medicare drug benefit works with Medi-Cal or retiree drug coverage.

The meeting will be held on Wednesday, Oct. 19, at 2 p.m. at the Ken Edwards Center, 1527 Fourth St.

The Commission for the Senior Community meets the third Wednesday of the month at 1:30 p.m. at the Ken Edwards Center. For more information, call (310) 458-8300.

Seniors, come one, come all

By Daily Press staff

The Santa Monica Family YMCA will hold its annual Senior Open House Day on Thursday, Oct. 20, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., a free event open to all seniors in the community. Visitors are invited to partake in any of the scheduled activities for the

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No one last week accurately described where this mystery photo was taken. The first person who does, will win a prize. E-mail answers to editor@smdp.com.



SURF REPORT

On Monday, the NW swell backs off, and with no notable SW, size will be best around west-facing spots with waist- to possibly chest-high surf. Still, south-facing breaks can expect some waist-high surf. The low continues to spin over the region, possibly bringing showers and problematic winds.

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WEDNESDAY	4:14	1.8	5:34	-0.3	10:28	6.3	N/A	N/A
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Still, some feel it unfair to pass the costs on to developers, who will be required to pay quadruple, in some cases, what they previously had, and may dissuade them from doing business in the city.

So this week, Q-Line wants to know: **"Was City Council correct in their assertion that higher developer fees will equal more affordable housing, or was the hike an unnecessary passing of the buck?"**

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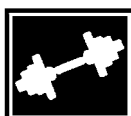
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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Yapping spews hatred

Editor:

In regards to Gerald M . Condon’s letter (SMDP, Oct. 11, page 5) regarding the veterans. Has he been in the service . Did he fight in WWII? Has he been to Iraq ? I don’t think so. He sounds like a property owner in yuppyville North of Montana. You know the kind — the ones who clog the streets with there SUVs and yap on their cell phones all day. They should be thankful that we have all the young boys fighting for them.
When the boys come home from this war that was started by that dork in the white house, what do you think we should do send them to Crawford, Tex.
Get a life.

Ronald Martin
Santa Monica

Vets aren’t the evil ones

Editor:

Gerald M. Condon’s diatribe and predicted mayhem in the streets as homeless veterans “repeat history” (SMDP, Oct. 11, page 5) and turn Brentwood into some kind of a smoldering apocalypse of lawlessness and mayhem (my hyperbole) is not only flawed in its accuracy, it reeks with self-righteous indignation, and, quite frankly, is as disgusting as sewer offal (no hyperbole). Mr. Condon, you, first of all, are out of touch. The VA does house homeless vets. I outlined this in a detailed letter to the SMDP printed on June 7, 2005. Approximately 500,000 homeless vets live at one of the four major homeless vet programs at the West Los Angeles VA campus on any given day, Mr. Condon. Some have even arrived there direct from prison or jail (heavens to mercy). Nevertheless, Brentwood is still considered one of the safest areas in the county. Also, if all veterans were, say, African-American, would not your blanket statements about homeless vets and crime be racist? Hmmm. Me thinks, yes. For, you see Mr. Condon, all veterans — homeless or not — who served to keep you safe and snug are of one color ... G.I. green.
Get a reality check, please Mr. Condon. The vast majority of homeless vets are not committing rape, robbery and homicide as your sickening letter eclipsed, nor will they ever. Hell, few of us even jay-walk. The same was actually true during the 1940s and ’50s as well. Exaggerated and sensationalized news items by tabloidistic Walter-Winchell-wannabes of the post-war era notwithstanding, we veterans — homeless or not — were, and are, usually well behaved. Remarkable, really, when you note that our former purpose was to kill people and break stuff.
By the way, it wasn’t a homeless vet who blew up Micky Cohen’s Brentwood ice cream parlor and machine-gunned his Brentwood home (twice) in the 1950s. Neither was it a homeless vet who butchered alive Nicole Simpson and Ron Goldman one terrible Brentwood night. The last thing Mr. Condon and quaint little Brentwwod need to worry about is hospitalized, homeless veterans taking a break from turning their lives around in order to lurk in the shadows with diabolical intent. However, what we all need to fear is people like Condon who use words much the way words were used during the Salem witch trials.
Homeless vets may not wear halos, Mr. Condon, but we sure as hell don’t need your ugly, virulent, and cowardly insecurities hanging over our heads like the Sword of Damocles, either.
Shame on you, Mr. Condon.

James Zeruk Jr.
Homeless vet

Deal with complainers the way ‘City Hall’ does



You have a complaint about something City Hall has done recently. Some of you might make a phone call, e-mail or write to staff — or a City Councilmember — and voice your opinion.
Or, say you’ve heard that City Hall is planning something you don’t like. You go to the “public input meeting” and despite all the public relations rhetoric from staff and their like-minded consultants, you disagree with their course of action and let them know it. Or you speak at a City Council meeting and get blank stares.
Like most of us, you probably have found that your criticism and comments are ignored or dismissed.
So, you up the ante, distribute flyers and write letters to the editor. This gets their goat because you’ve gone public and created an issue in front of thousands of citizens. The powers to be know the heat is on.
It doesn’t make any difference if you’re critical of a council person’s proposal, a staff proposal, a grand scheme put forth by special interests such as developers, labor unions or a business group, City Hall’s reaction to criticism occurs in a predictable and well defined five- step process.
Step one: Deny, deny, deny. Ignore, ignore, ignore. “Problem? What problem?” “We’re unaware of this.” “It’s news to us.” “We’ll get back to you ...” and all you can hear is the silence. Example: Speed bumps don’t slow down fire trucks and paramedics. In city lingo this is “ignore and conquer.”
Step two: Go away, you’re bothering us. “You’re the only one complaining about this.” Example: You have a drunk in your carport? “We’ve had no other complaints.” “Funny, you’re the first person to ever mention this.” Ever? In other words, nobody else has ever brought this up, therefore, you are unique and different and an anomaly. This is “divide and conquer.”
Step three: You don’t understand or you’ve been misinformed. “You’ve got your facts wrong.” Example: Overdevelopment doesn’t cause traffic problems. “You don’t comprehend the entire issue.” “You’re oversimplifying.” The strategy is to make you

think you’re making a fool out of yourself. You question your own intelligence and just go away. It’s “dismiss and conquer.”
Step four: The lunatic fringe. “You’re crazy, an oddball or a nut case.” Example: People who think the city’s homeless programs are a failure. “You have no credibility and don’t know what you’re talking about.” In other words you’re a drooling, babbling moron and evil incarnate.
You’re still complaining and you now have allies with you. Others have joined your cause and they’re speaking up, too. There are two options in dealing with the leader of an unhappy group.
Step five, option one: Co-opt and make promises. Those in power suggest that you’ll be appointed to a city board or commission — if you stop your carping and get with their program. They might even suggest that you’d make a great candidate for City Council or school board and they’ll back your run — but, not if you continue your wicked, wicked ways. Drop it or you’ll be blacklisted, never work in this town again or ever be appointed to any city board or commission. Banished. Forgotten.
Step five, option two: The counterattack. This is when City Hall unleashes its own public relations campaign and goes on the attack to win the hearts and minds of the citizenry. Newspaper articles, the front page of the city newsletter, The Seascape, and councilmanic proclamations all scream, “This is great and those who disagree are so wrong.”
I’ve experienced all of the above ranging from e-mails from council persons who are clearly wrong themselves, to specific threats from unknown sources. I was actually told to stop campaigning when I ran for City Council last year, or experience the fates described in option one above.
There are lots of real neighborhood activists — as opposed to the phony ones named on political flyers — who have similar stories to tell. We all wear our experiences like badges of honor. Sometimes we win and sometimes we lose, but the fun is in the game and it’s especially thrilling to catch someone in City Hall with their pants down.
Yeah I know. Just another wacko spouting off. Just keep on believing it.

(Bill Bauer is a Santa Monica resident who is currently on assignment as a Red Cross volunteer in the Gulf region.)



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Back in black: Scary costumes all the rage

BY MARTHA IRVINE
AP National Writer

Bunny Lavalliere's recent Halloween costumes have been mostly "fluffy and fairy-like," as she puts it — but not this year.

The 19-year-old fashion design student is making an outfit that pushes the boundaries of gore. From the front, it will have a sullen zombie look. But when she turns around, there will be fake protruding bones and organs in the back. It's another sign that, after taking a respite, darker Halloween themes are making a comeback.

"I'm big on surprises. This one is going to have amazing amounts of blood," Lavalliere says, sounding a bit gleeful about the costume she's making at her school, the Art Institute of California-San Francisco.

Her inspiration came from the revival of the slasher movie — genre classics such as "Friday the 13th" and "Halloween" that her generation is flocking to see, along with newer horror films, including "Saw" and the remake of "House of Wax."

Retailers and trend-watchers also are sensing a heightened comfort level with scarier costumes and decorations, a full return to the dark side after many revelers toned down their outfits following the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks and subsequent anthrax threats in 2001.

"It was tough for a while," says Dave Dering, a 39-year-old resident of Lawrenceville, N.J., who's a longtime fan of Halloween. Known as "Uncle Deathy" to family and friends, even he displayed only one yard decoration four years ago. It was a monster carrying an ax — and an American flag — to indicate Dering's support for the victims of the World Trade Center attacks and their families.

It turned out to be one of the most patriotic Halloweens on record, with many

children dressing as firefighters and police officers, a nod to the ranks in New York.

Of course, recent months have had their share of sad news, too — from ongoing casualties in Iraq to a seemingly constant string of natural disasters. But this time, Dering and others see scary, sometimes kitschy Halloween traditions as a way to escape tough realities, rather than potentially offensive.

"It takes some steam off; it's a diversion — a way to have a little fun," says Dering, who's going all out to decorate his yard and home this year, and who also hosts an annual Halloween bash.

One trend-watcher sees it this way: "Gore we can manage is very much on fad right now, as we feel the increasing need to become familiar with bad things — bad things that don't get the best of us," says Marian Salzman, director of strategic content for the advertising agency JWT Worldwide. "I think it's also why we love our crime television. While the solutions are not as black and white as the days of 'Dragnet,' there is still a sense that good will beat evil in those shows."

Retailers say they first sensed an increased appetite for darker Halloween themes at trade shows last winter — and stocked up their inventory as a result.

At the national Halloween Warehouse chain, there's been big interest in the "Gothic Manor" section, where customers can find capes, chokers with studs and costumes that include the "emperor of evil" and "dark vixen," a hooded black velvet dress.

These "slightly edgier themes" are particularly popular with teens and young adults, says Malinda Behrens, vice president of brand development for Party City, which runs the Halloween Warehouse chain.

A big seller at the Spirit Halloween Superstores is a life-sized, razor-fingered Freddy Krueger character, which utters well-known phrases from the still-popular 1984 film "Nightmare on Elm Street."

COMMUNITY BRIEFS

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day, including gym fitness, water exercise, Tai Chi, chair massage, blood pressure check, and more.

Two seminars will be presented, the first on estate planning at 10:30 a.m., the second on coughs at noon. Tours of the Y's facility will be available and free seven-day guest passes will be given out to those taking a tour. There is no advance registration required to attend. For more information, call Lidia Magarian, senior physical director, at (310) 393-2721, ext. 109.

The joy of acting

By Daily Press staff

The Santa Monica College theatre arts department is presenting Tony- and Emmy-nominated actor Obba Babatundé, who will present a master class called "The Joy of Acting: Character Development, Audition Process, Scene Study."

The free master class, open to the public, will be at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 19 in the Hangar Stage, located at SMC's Airport Campus, 2800 Airport Ave. Seating is on a first-arrival basis.

Babatundé is perhaps best known for his Tony-nominated portrayal of CC White in the original Broadway production of Dreamgirls and his magical performance as legendary jazz artist Jelly Roll Morton in the world premiere of Jelly's Last Jam.

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This is the second in SMC's fall Theatre Arts Master Class series, which is co-sponsored by the SMC Associates, a private organization that funds speakers and special programs on campus.

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Judge overturns property compensation law

BY CHARLES E. BEGGS
 Associated Press Writer

SALEM, Ore. — A judge last week struck down as unconstitutional a voter-passed property rights law that had required state and local governments to pay owners whose land was affected by land-use regulations, relaxing some of America’s strictest zoning laws.

Land-use policies adopted by the state in 1973 have been widely regarded as a national model for protecting America’s farmland and other open space from unbridled development. The combination of local and state regulations had confined most new housing to areas that already are built up.

But a property owners’ revolt led an overwhelming margin of voters last November to pass Measure 37 — a state law requiring that state and local governments either compensate land owners when regulations lower property values or waive the rules.

In the decision Friday, Marion County Circuit Judge Mary James struck down Measure 37 as violating five provisions of

the state and federal constitutions.

Her decision created more confusion around a law that already has perplexed officials, who are unsure how to enforce it. The law is now bound for further appeals and legal tussling.

Judge James sided with opponents of the measure who argued that it violates the “equal privileges and immunities” provisions of the state constitution because it gives benefits to people who bought their land before regulations were applied but not to those who purchase property later.

Kevin Neely, a spokesman for the Oregon attorney general’s office, said the state would seek a stay of James’ decision pending an appeal.

Dave Hunnicutt, the president of Oregonians in Action and main author of Measure 37, said the ruling was a complete surprise.

He said it would be impossible to craft any measure giving property owners compensation that would pass the tests created by James.

“The ruling is novel, to put it bluntly,” said Hunnicutt. “We are predicting a dif-

ferent outcome on appeal. If Judge James’ ruling stands, then there is nothing property owners can do in this state to protect themselves.”

Since Measure 37 passed last fall, more than 2,000 claims for compensation or waivers have been filed throughout the state. Local officials have had to process claims because of deadlines in the law, even though they lack any guidance on uniform statewide standards.

Many claims have been brought by property owners wanting to subdivide their land to build houses, or to put commercial developments on land where current rules forbid it.

Only people who owned a tract of land before regulations affecting it were enacted can file a claim. A major dangling issue has been whether a property owner who is granted a waiver of a land-use restriction can pass along the waiver rights to new owners.

The land use planning watchdog group 1000 Friends of Oregon, which campaigned against Measure 37, argues that allowing transferable waivers could cripple planning and allow hodgepodge development across Oregon’s open spaces.

Bob Stacey, executive director of the group, hailed Friday’s ruling and said he was urging Gov. Ted Kulongoski and legislative leaders to convene a special session to “pass legislation that deals fairly with people who have borne an unfair burden, but not at the expense of their neighbors.”

Kulongoski spokeswoman Holly Armstrong said there are no plans to call a special session.

As the state population has risen,

straining land use planning, property owners have tried repeatedly to ease restrictions.

Voters approved a similar property compensation measure in 2000 as a constitutional amendment. But the state Supreme Court threw it out on grounds it contained too many changes to be rolled into a single amendment.

Because of that, Oregonians in Action drafted Measure 37 as a statutory change. That made it vulnerable, however, to arguments that it violated constitutional protections.

Striking at the heart of the compensation issue in the measure, the judge said the government can’t be required to pay if it wants to enforce valid land use regulations.

“A government cannot be forced to choose between exercising its power...to regulate for public welfare, health or safety or paying private parties to comply with the law,” James said. “Because Measure 37 imposes limitations on the government’s exercise of power to regulate land use in Oregon, it is unconstitutional.”

Oregon Attorney General Hardy Myers has said that the law doesn’t allow waiver rights to be transferred. He has raising that issue in test court cases in Crook and Jackson counties.

The Legislature grappled with waiver issues and some other legal questions but couldn’t agree on any legislation to iron out the wrinkles of the law.

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KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

“Know before you go” is a weekly update on construction projects throughout Santa Monica. Here are the government-initiated projects for the week of Oct. 17:

Fourth Street fiber optic communication

Fiber optic cable and conduit installation and splicing termination on Fourth Street, between California Avenue and Olympic Drive.

Pier structural rehabilitation

About a 150-foot-long stretch of the westbound lane, just west of Bubba Gump, will be inaccessible to pedestrian and vehicular traffic until Oct. 17. The eastbound lane will be available for use with caution.

Ashland Avenue storm drain repair

Installation of a low-flow diversion unit on Ashland Avenue, between Main Street and Neilson Way. There will be detour signs posted around the work area.

Montana Avenue storm drain repair

Repair of an existing outlet structure, several drainage facilities and approximately 200 square feet of asphalt near the 1550 beach parking lot. Follow posted detour signs.

Marine Street utility undergrounding

Relocation and undergrounding of electric, phone and cable facilities on Marine Street, between Lincoln Boulevard and Prospect Court. Parking limitations will be posted daily.

Cingular telecommunications lines

Cingular is installing telecommunication lines on San Vicente Boulevard from 17th to 19th street; San Vicente Boulevard from Fourth Street to 100 feet west of Fourth Street; and Fourth Street from San Vicente Boulevard to the alley south of San Vicente Boulevard.

Civic Center parking structure

Construction continues on a new 900-space Civic Center Public parking structure, located on Fourth Street next to the Public Safety Facility. Construction will require the closure of Avenida Mazatlan and the Fourth Street sidewalk. One lane on southbound Fourth Street is subject to closure while work is occurring. There also may be delays entering the Civic Center parking lot from Fourth Street. Use the Main Street entrance.

Electrical vault installation

Southern California Edison will be installing an underground vault under Santa Monica Boulevard at Seventh Court. There will be detours around work areas. Follow posted signs.

Gas Company main replacement

Southern California Gas Company is replacing a 4-inch main on San Vicente Boulevard, between 16th and 17th streets; 17th Street, between San Vicente Boulevard and Georgina Avenue; Georgina Avenue, between 16th and 17th streets, between San Vicente Boulevard and Georgina Avenue. There will be detours around work areas. Follow posted signs.

Main Library

Construction is under way on the new main library, located at 601 Santa Monica Blvd. There is currently no sidewalk access on Santa Monica Boulevard, and Sixth and Seventh streets, adjacent to the project.

Memorial and Los Amigos Park building replacement

Park buildings will be inaccessible during construction. Memorial Park is located at Olympic Boulevard and 14th Street. Los Amigos Park is located at Fifth Street and Hollister Avenue.

On-Fiber telecommunications lines

On-Fiber is installing telecommunication lines on 26th Street from north of Colorado Boulevard to Pennsylvania Street. There may be detours around the work area along Pennsylvania Street, from 26th Street to Stewart Street.

Street and park lighting project

Work continues on upgrading street lighting with new fixtures and circuits. The work is currently scheduled to occur on 23rd Street from Santa Monica Boulevard to Arizona Avenue; California Avenue from Second to Seventh Street; and Ocean Avenue from Montana Avenue to California Avenue; as well as Marine, Clover and Douglas parks.

Seismic retrofit of parking structure No. 5

Seismic retrofitting is underway on the parking structure on Fourth Street, between Broadway and Santa Monica Boulevard. There may be some added congestion around the entrances and exits.

Traffic signal upgrade

The transportation management division is upgrading traffic signals on Ocean Park Boulevard at Cloverfield Boulevard and at 23rd Street. For information, call (310) 458-4982.

Virginia Avenue Park

Renovations are expected to continue through the fall. The park is closed.

(For more information, log on to http://santa_monica.org/engineering/projects/kbug_project_list.asp or call 310-458-8721.)



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JOHNNIES-The Best Little Neighborhood Italian Restaurant. Come in to our new location and enjoy Traditional or Stuffed pastas, Mile High Salads, Grinders, Roman Style Sandwiches, Hearty Calzones, and New York Style Thin Crust Pizza, in a relaxing neighborhood setting. When you're looking for a reasonably priced, traditional Italian meal with authentic New York attitude, Johnnies delivers. Hours: Sunday-Thursday 11am-10pm and Friday and Saturday 11am-11pm. Dine In, Take Out and Delivery. 1456 Third Street Promenade, Santa Monica. (310) 395-9062.

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	Amount
9/27/2002 Marriott	513.02
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Marriott - see credit card statement also	1,231.12
Hilton	145.63
9/28/2002 Yellow Cab	37.00
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10/18/2002 United Airlines	152.00
Kinko's	54.65
Marriott See Credit Card Statement Duane C. Miller SMA depo	528.98
10/26/2002 Kinko's	6.80

City contends lawyers' expenses unreasonable

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contingency lawyers for securing a \$121 million cash settlement, plus building a water treatment facility to clean up seven water wells.

Already, more than \$600,000 has gone to lawyers working the case. While hundreds of thousands of dollars in taxpayer money was reimbursed to the contingency lawyers for their expenses, city attorneys refused to pay a substantial amount, contending they strayed beyond reasonable levels.

Like \$88,543 in air travel billed to City Hall by Dallas-based attorney Fred Baron in 2002. The total balance on the invoice? \$206,275. It included such expense totals as \$11,850 for hotels; \$2,463 in meals; \$3,937 for cabs, car rentals and parking; \$10,000 for conference rooms and more than \$300,000 in office expenses, including copying costs and research.

City officials also felt \$300.21 for a meal at Capo restaurant; \$214.98 for dinner at Giraffe and \$168.31 at Valentino was a bit extravagant. Those meals were billed to City Hall in January 2003 by Miller, Sher & Sawyer, a Sacramento-based law firm.

City attorneys said they weren't present for any of those meals, consumed instead by outside lawyers working for the city on a contingency basis.

REASON USED IN UNREASONABLE CIRCUMSTANCES

The January 2003 invoice from the Sacramento firm totaled \$11,641.77, for

everything from meals to hotel and airfare costs to cabs and business expenses incurred from September to November 2002. The invoice showed that City Hall owed Miller, Sher & Sawyer \$75,324.74, with \$13,604.40 already having been paid.

Visions of the outside lawyers wining and dining, and flying around on private planes irked city attorneys enough to contest them.

City Hall's other law firm, Baron & Budd, had billed Santa Monica taxpayers for trips on Baron's private jet, and other airfare costs from Washington D.C. to California, a trip which wasn't necessary to the case, according to city officials (See related story). And hotel charges rung up by private lawyers also exceeded city guidelines.

The invoices were submitted by the law firms sporadically and didn't have detailed expenses. City officials would pay only the fees they felt were reasonable. City officials asked for documentation to back up the expenses, which showed private aircraft use, Lincoln Town car rentals and limousines.

In a Feb. 10, 2003 letter to the lead attorneys on the case — Duane Miller, Victor Sher and Baron — City Attorney Marsha Moutrie gave them the bad news: their bills were unreasonable, in view of the fact that taxpayers of far fewer means would be expected to pay them.

"As you know, our retainer with you obligates the city to provide reimburse-

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	Amount
10/28/2002 Kinko's - see credit card statement	52.60
Kinko's	0.20
10/29/2002 Giselle's Travel	485.50
Yellow Cab	40.00
Kinko's	13.36
Kinko's	46.66
Hyatt Hotels See Credit Card Statement Tamarin Austin in San Francisco to review documents	851.00
10/30/2002 Hilton	122.90
11/2/2002 Kinko's	16.19
11/5/2002 Ritz Carlton	236.53
Giselle's Travel from Washington to Santa Ana	1,303.25
11/6/2002 Ritz Carlton - see credit card statement	24.75
11/7/2002 Haytt See Credit Card Statement Tamarin Austin in San Francisco to review documents	322.75
11/14/2002 Kinko's	106.48
TOTAL COSTS	\$11,641.77
PREVIOUS BALANCE	\$77,287.37
10/9/2002 Credit for United Airlines	(\$35.00)
11/6/2002 PAYMENT - THANK YOU. Check No. 96628	(\$11,096.59)
1/2/2003 Credit for Marriott Hotel dated 8/9/02	(\$453.65)
1/10/2003 Credit for October invoice Travel Expense for Duane C. Miller Dosangh case.	(\$40.00)
1/10/2003 Credit for November invoice charges of Cinema and mini bar for Le Merigot dated 7/1/02.	(\$49.66)
1/10/2003 Credit for November invoice 7/31/02 Giselle's travel.	(\$1,929.50)
Total payments and adjustments	(\$13,604.40)
BALANCE DUE	\$75,324.74

An invoice submitted to City Hall by one of the law firms representing the city in its water contamination case shows how quickly the expenses can add up: \$11,641 in two months. A significant portion of those expenses were from hotel stays at the Marriott and Ritz Carlton, and meals at some of the finest restaurants in Santa Monica.

LOCAL



Expenses don't fit the bill

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lawyers," asserted Grossman, who added that meals at high-end restaurants are sometimes needed. "There are times when business meals need to be held in appropriate venues.

"But most of the time, they ate in their rooms."

City Attorney Marsha Moutrie said she accepted a few meals from Baron based on his insistence that he'd pick up the tab and the fact that she had herself personally paid for several meals previously. She viewed the situation as a meal trade.

One of those meals was an August 2002 lunch at Michael's Restaurant when Baron told Moutrie that his firm hadn't yet billed City Hall for any expenses and he wanted to wait until the case was over before being reimbursed. But she replied that city officials wanted an estimate of how much they owed, Baron claimed.

So Baron submitted an invoice the following month, which included \$88,543 in what he said was commercial, coach air travel expenses. But Baron said he never expected to get paid for the estimated 75 trips he made relating to the case alleging MtBE contamination of the city's water.

"We did not seek any reimbursement for travel or airfare," he said. "There were no bills for private airfare and to my knowledge, the city has never paid us for air travel."

City attorneys felt the air travel costs were exorbitant and refused to pay them without proper detailed documentation.

As for pricey restaurant bills, Baron claimed city attorneys joined him and his colleagues.

"The city staff was very interested in eating at nice restaurants," Baron asserted. "We were dealing with hundreds of millions of dollars, so if we spent an extra \$10 on a meal, then so be it."

Moutrie explained in a 2003 letter that she might have inadvertently confused the contingency lawyers because she and other city attorneys have personally paid for meals at high-end restaurants. Those meals were paid out of the city attorneys' own pockets and were never billed to taxpayers.

In response to Moutrie's correspondence, attorneys made arguments in court and sent letters to City Hall asserting it

refused to reimburse any of their costs. More letters from city attorneys ensued.

"You have written two letters to me and to (Assistant City Attorney Joe Lawrence) that include a mix of threats, accusation and questions," Moutrie wrote to Grossman on July 22, 2004. "The city cannot and does not surrender either claims or public resources based on threats. The city has a duty to protect public resources and is fully accountable for all expenditures ...

"The city has paid a total sum exceeding \$620,000 in cost reimbursements," Moutrie continued. "Some unreasonable costs were partially reimbursed, including exorbitantly high meal and hotel charges. However, I understand that the submitted claims have been processed; and the only remaining issue involves Mr. Baron's air travel. He opted to use his firm's private jets for his own convenience. The city has offered reimbursement reflecting the cost of commercial airfare for each trip ... that offer remains open."

Moutrie asserted in her Feb. 10, 2003 letter that City Hall received requests for reimbursement for travel not related to Santa Monica's case. She also wrote that City Hall had received requests for reimbursement for more than one ticket for the same trip. She requested further explanation and added a note on the city's policy on air travel.

"Overall, as to commercial air travel, our expectation is as follows: In general, the city will reimburse you for the cost of traveling round-trip coach from the city where your office is located to the city of the meeting ... as to procedures, your submissions should be itemized and supported by documentation ..."

MILLIONS AT STAKE

Behind the dispute over meals, hotels and planes looms a larger battle over exactly what the contingency lawyers are owed for representing City Hall in its litigation against the oil companies, which admitted to allowing gasoline additive MtBE to seep into Santa Monica's drinking water, contaminating seven wells.

At issue is just how much City Hall owes its team of contingency lawyers for securing a \$121 million cash settlement, plus building a water treatment facility to

are some flagrant exceptions. For instance, we have received claims for extremely expensive meals at a couple of the city's most expensive restaurants. These claims far exceed the city guidelines and any common understanding of what would be considered 'reasonable' cost for dinner."

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clean up the water wells.

In a letter dated May 3, 2004, Moutrie offered to process the lawyers' payment requests on services rendered, based on documentation establishing hours worked on individual tasks and information that supported hourly rates. Moutrie indicated that when the dispute was over, the city would deduct fees paid on those billings from any amount agreed or ordered to pay.

In response, Baron indicated on May 4, 2004, that the case was prosecuted based

on a contingency fee and his firm didn't keep hours and didn't agree to an hourly rate. He declined the offer.

That offer was hashed out again in mediation between city attorneys and the contingency lawyers, who continue to argue they were retained by City Hall on a contingency fee basis. Then the two sides sued each other.

The battle over lawyer fees and expenses is expected to go to trial in March.

Culture clash: City looks to protect taxpayers from faulty fees

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ment for 'reasonable' expenses incurred in the course of your work on the city's behalf," Moutrie wrote. "Most of the individual items on the expense claims we have received from you are within the realm of reasonableness. However, there

are some flagrant exceptions. For instance, we have received claims for extremely expensive meals at a couple of the city's most expensive restaurants. These claims far exceed the city guidelines and any common understanding of what would be considered 'reasonable' cost for dinner."

City guidelines establish \$45 a day in expenses for meals — breakfast, \$8; lunch, \$12; and dinner, \$25, with no alcohol reimbursement. Nightly lodging costs of up to \$175 are considered reasonable, Moutrie wrote — amounts that might be considered stingy by many law firms.

The lawyers hadn't been informed of

the city's expense guidelines until Moutrie's Feb. 10, 2003 letter.

"I think it's emblematic of a huge culture clash in this case," Moutrie said. "We obviously operate in different worlds.

"They may have assumed that it was OK to bill the city for expensive meals because that's the world they live in."



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Tuesday, but belies his age with a sharp wit and ability to recall memories from when he was a little boy.

Born in Jalisco, Mexico, Galvan only went to school for one day before his impoverished family sent him out to work. He continued working labor-intensive jobs after immigrating to Santa Monica in 1927, signing on with a construction company a year after he arrived.

Alejandra's first husband — a coworker of Galvan's — was buried alive in a ditch dug for sewage pipes. Galvan almost befell the same doom, but he narrowly escaped death. Galvan subsequently courted Alejandra, marrying her at St. Monica's Church in 1930.

Galvan has seen much in his 104 years — two world wars, the Roaring Twenties, the Great Depression, the baby boom, civil rights movements, 9/11 — a veritable textbook of life experience. He wanted to fight in World War II, but wasn't accepted because of his language barrier, and because he was the sole provider for a

large family.

During the Depression, his family got by thanks to stamps for clothing, gas and food. Galvan eventually became a gardener at a nursery, then a self-employed one, retiring at 86.

Through the years, Galvan always set aside a portion of his paychecks for his financially troubled family in Mexico. He traveled back to Mexico often to bring his mother and two sisters food and money. Galvan's life at home was full as well, fathering nine children with Alejandra.

His only regret? Not having a formal education, but took pride in seeing his descendants going on to college and succeeding professionally.

Galvan — the last of five generations alive in his family today — has 47 grandchildren, 90 great-grandchildren and 10 great-great-grandchildren.

Galvan recently took time to speak with the Daily Press, and reflect on an extraordinary life.

What is your most memorable memory?

"I lived a beautiful life when my wife was alive. We went to Mexico. When I first came here (to Santa Monica), all I

knew was the areas I lived. When I met my wife, we traveled throughout Mexico to places I didn't know existed."

How have the advancements in technology affected your life?

"They are good for everybody. All technology makes life a lot easier for people. For young people a lot of schooling, learning is good. In those days there was a lot of labor. It's a beautiful time for young people, progress for everybody. The main thing is education."

How has Santa Monica changed over the years?

"A lot. It's all modern. We have never seen this before. The babies were born at home in my time. Doctors would come to the house."

To what do you attribute your longevity?

"I credit my health. The attention and care I've gotten to my health (from family) and having a marvelous life."

How long do you think you are going to live?

"I'm ready whenever God calls me. The

virgins and gods that saw me be born, they are going to take me someday when my time comes. Whatever God wants. I pray night and day. God has already given me a long life and a lot of joy and I've seen so much. Beautiful. Nice times for everybody. I reminisce often from a time when I can remember what I went through in life. I never desired to get married. I always asked God for courage to come to this country."

What words of wisdom can you impart?

"To study, first of all. Go forward. With a lot of education, people have awakened. Everything was hard before. Life has become easier and a lot of roads have opened up. Technology from today (has changed a lot). Years before it was all manual labor. With education, your intelligence goes up and grows and grows. Because of education and lecturing people have grown up high. It's beautiful for youth who are living with technology."

"They are learning from education."

(Pedro Galvan's daughter, Irene Galvan, and granddaughter, Rosie Garcia, helped translate his responses for the purposes of this article.)

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Her fondness for bears is worth shouting about

BY MICHAEL JAMISON

Associated Press Writer

WEST GLACIER, Mont. — Carrie Hunt leaves the horse-whispering to other, more prosaic folk. It's far more exciting and satisfying, she said, to practice bear-shouting.

"Basically, what I've done over the past 10 years is pilot a program where we teach bears and teach people how to live in the same areas without conflict," she said.

Her business, the Wind River Bear Institute, recently relocated from Utah to Florence, Mont., putting Hunt within a day's drive of the Lower 48's last remaining grizzly bear populations. It's a move that's allowed her to respond quickly to bear problems, including grain spills in the railroad corridor near Essex.

And now that she's in the neighborhood, Hunt and her methods are expanding out of people's backyards and into the backcountry, with precedent-setting work deep in Glacier National Park.

"What we're doing now has never been done before," Hunt said. "What we're doing is the only program of its kind in the entire world."

Hunt is traveling like a missionary into grizzly country, bringing with her lessons for the bears in how to get along with human hikers. This summer, students included a sow and two cubs — bears that, until Hunt's lessons, didn't mind much hanging out with humans.

"The goal," she said, "was to teach the bears to prefer to do the right thing."

The real goal, which goes back decades, has been to stop killing bears.

"I've been a bear biologist for almost 30 years now," Hunt said. "Pretty early on, I got tired of seeing bears die because they got into trouble with humans."

In 1982, after years working in Yellowstone National Park and along Montana's Rocky Mountain Front, Hunt finally decided to tackle the problem. She had moved to Missoula and was working on her master's degree, when she started thinking about nonlethal methods to "teach bears 'no.'"

Her first efforts included the use of pepper spray. But spray only goes so far, and for a tool to be truly effective it needed a longer reach.

Soon, Hunt was partnered with Wyoming Fish and Game officials, performing tests of rubber bullets on wild bears.

"No one knew what would happen," she said. Would the bears turn and run? Would they charge?

Turns out, the rubber bullets worked great, effectively stinging bears into retreat. But they too were limited in range.

Her work, of course, had taken her into hunting camps and across big ranches, where she started to notice a pattern. Outfitters and landowners with dogs didn't have near the bear problems as those without.

Dogs, she realized, would give her the required range, "and I went looking for the breed. It was then that I discovered Karelian bear dogs."

Brown bear hunters in Finland swore by their Karelians, which unlike hounds wouldn't tree a bear. Instead, they worked grizzlies the way cow dogs work cattle.

Over the past decade, Hunt and her Wind River Bear Institute have worked bears using trained dogs to remarkable success.

"In 10 years of work, with 200 to 300 bear actions a year, working from Japan to Canada and throughout the Rockies, we have never had a bear dog hurt or a person hurt or a bear hurt," she said.

The trick, she said, is to distinguish between "aversive conditioning" and "bear herding."

Aversive conditioning, she said, uses negative reinforcement to harass bears away from people places — essentially to teach fear of people.

Bear herding, she said, involves sophisticated bear behavior modification, "cuing them in very precise ways." Essentially, it teaches good habits, teaches a bear it can leave at any time and it can choose natural cover over garbage cans.

The program involves lots of learning — by the bears, the public, the bear managers and especially by the Wind River staff.

Its success was evident enough that this summer managers at Glacier Park decided to try taking it straight into the bear's lair.

For years, a female grizzly has stomped around Oldman Lake like she owned the place. At first, she learned she didn't have to move away from the trail when hikers came by. Later, she learned hikers would give way when she wanted the trail to herself.

Finally, she learned to lumber boldly into remote backcountry campgrounds, cubs in tow, to "Hoover up" any crumbs left behind.

But she never stole any food, never charged, never acted in any way aggressively. And she was productive, keeping up a regular brood of cubs and bolstering the grizzly population.

Problem was, those cubs were learning all the wrong lessons.

In July, park management invited Wind River to come in and assess the situation.

It was not without precedent. Hunt started working with the park in 1997, when she and her Karelians moved 13 black bears from alongside Glacier's Camas Road.

In 1998, they pushed a grizzly off the boardwalk at Logan Pass in just five days, and the bear never had to be trapped, never caused another day's trouble. In 2000, she successfully taught a food-conditioned grizzly to steer clear of front-country camps on the park's eastern side "and that bear never came back."

The bear she found at Oldman Lake was, in her words, "flexible and soft and subordinate and easy around people."

The challenge would be to keep her that way. The last thing Hunt wanted was a bear that wasn't aggressive to suddenly get jittery and see people as a problem requiring force.

The commitment to save the grizzly, she said, "was an incredibly proactive thing for the park to do. They pulled together all the resources they had to try to save her, to do this properly and to give her a chance."

With two Wind River staffers, two park rangers and three Karelians, Hunt took to the woods, set up camp and waited. The idea, she said, was to act like hikers and campers — who were shut out of the area at the height of the summer season for the work to begin.

When the dogs scented the grizzly, they barked her off the trail. She took cover in the campground, and Hunt pushed her out with shouts and exploding "cracker shells."

Earlier, rangers had put a radio collar on the bear, so they were able to track her — all the way over the ridge and into the next drainage.

"She really took off and at that point, yeah, I thought she probably was a very good candidate for conditioning," Hunt said.

Dressed in "civilian" hiking clothes, they "did what hikers do," except with trained dogs and lots of shouting. Eventually, they pulled the dogs out, and relied only on shouting.

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Anti-gun-control law triggering controversy in Alaska

BY MATT VOLZ
Associated Press Writer

JUNEAU, Alaska — Starting Wednesday, a new anti-gun-control law in Alaska will allow handgun owners to carry concealed weapons without a permit in the seven Alaska cities where permits are now required.

Gun owners will be allowed to keep their firearms in their vehicle, even if the car is parked on private property where the owner has a no-gun policy.

And, some police chiefs say, local ordinances that ban guns from public buildings such as city halls will no longer be enforceable.

Alaska's new law forbids municipalities from passing gun laws that are more restrictive than state law.

The National Rifle Association, which

helped Republican state Rep. Mike Chenault draft the new law, said it wants to prevent cities from passing restricting laws in the future. It's what the organization calls state pre-emption, and Alaska will be the 44th state to have such a law on its books.

"We are looking to make it uniform to all 50 states," said spokeswoman Kelly Hobbs from the NRA's Fairfax, Va., headquarters. "Without it, it creates an unfair, inconsistent and confusing patchwork of local firearm ordinances."

Chenault said a law-abiding citizen should be able to carry a firearm wherever he wants to, but in Alaska, that citizen may be breaking the law and not even know it.

"You could leave Homer with a gun in your vehicle and find yourself in conflict with laws in other municipalities just by driving through those municipalities," he said.

The part of the law that most concerns Alaska police chiefs is the lifting of bans on guns in public buildings. That could leave government workers inside vulnerable to attack, said Anchorage Police Chief Walter Monegan.

"There are lots of people, myself included, we really value our constitutional rights," Monegan said. "But if we had the same enthusiasm to also support our constitutional responsibilities, then I would be less concerned over this issue."

Across the state in Bethel, Police Chief Ben Dudley said he also is concerned that he will no longer have the option of charging people with entering a municipal building with a weapon. But he's more philosophical on the effects of that city law when it comes to stopping somebody who means to do harm.

"If there were people with bad intentions entering into municipal buildings, the law isn't going to stop those people anyway," Dudley said. "They're going to stick a pistol down their pants anyway."

The new law would allow cities to keep guns out of places beyond a restricted access point, such as a metal detector, but the chiefs say their cities can't afford to staff and equip such points.

Plus, "It runs counter to the intent of public buildings to establish the checkpoints," said Juneau Police Chief Richard Gummow.

Chenault said his interpretation of the

new law differs. State law now does not specifically prohibit weapons in municipal buildings, but it does in state buildings. If municipalities pass their own weapons bans for public buildings, those laws shouldn't be considered any more restrictive than the state's ban, he said.

But he acknowledged that it may take a court challenge to see if his interpretation is correct.

The police chiefs are less concerned about the concealed-weapons permits. Two years ago, the Legislature removed the requirement for a permit to carry a concealed weapon, but the state continues to issue them. The NRA says those permits are still required in seven cities: Anchorage, Bethel, Juneau, Petersburg, Sitka, Valdez and Wasilla.

Even opponents of the law seem fine with getting rid of the permit requirements.

But state Sen. Hollis French, D-Anchorage, who voted against the bill, said he objects to its stance of putting gun rights over private property rights. The law says a government or person cannot create a rule that would prohibit someone from keeping a gun inside a car, wherever the car is.

"In that tension between the legitimate right to protect yourself, and, for me, the more absolute right to do as you see fit with your property, this tips the balance a little too far toward guns," French said.

Bono distances himself from concert fundraisers

BY FOSTER KLUG
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON — U2's Bono says he is not involved in efforts by U.S. lawmakers to use his band's concerts to raise campaign money.

Sens. Hillary Clinton, D-N.Y., and Rick Santorum, R-Pa., and other politicians have scheduled fundraising events in private suites during shows for U2's North American Vertigo tour, which runs through the end of December.

Jamie Drummond, executive director of DATA, an Africa advocacy group that Bono helped found, said in a message posted on the band's Web site: "Neither DATA nor Bono are involved in these (fundraisers), and they cannot be controlled. The U2 concerts are categorically not fundraisers for any politician; they are rock concerts for U2 fans."

Another DATA spokesman said Bono was speaking for himself and not for the

rest of the Irish rock band.

Bono is a dedicated lobbyist for the world's poor and AIDS-stricken.

Santorum's press secretary, Robert Traynham, said Thursday that the decision by the Senate's third-ranking Republican to hold a fundraiser during Sunday's Philadelphia show is based on his "deep respect and admiration for Bono and their work together over the last few years to fight the global spread of HIV-AIDS."

Traynham said Santorum's office has not spoken with Bono about his position, but it is routine for elected officials to host such fundraisers at sporting and cultural events.

The fundraiser will go ahead as planned, Traynham said.

Clinton, the former first lady, who represents New York, expects 18 supporters willing to pay \$2,500 each to benefit Democrats, to join her at a U2 concert at the MCI Center in Washington.

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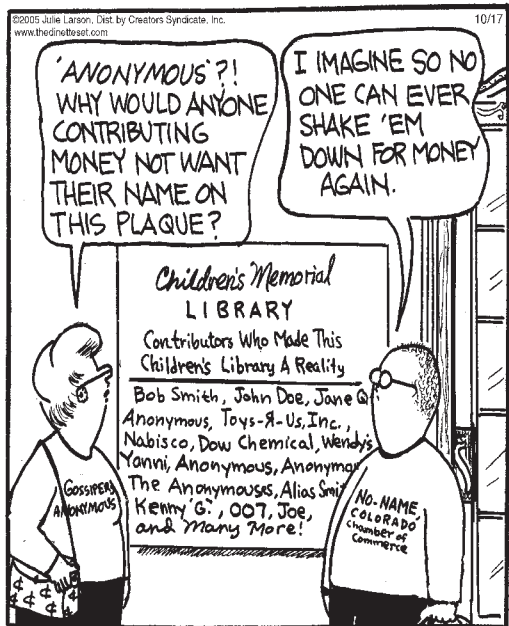
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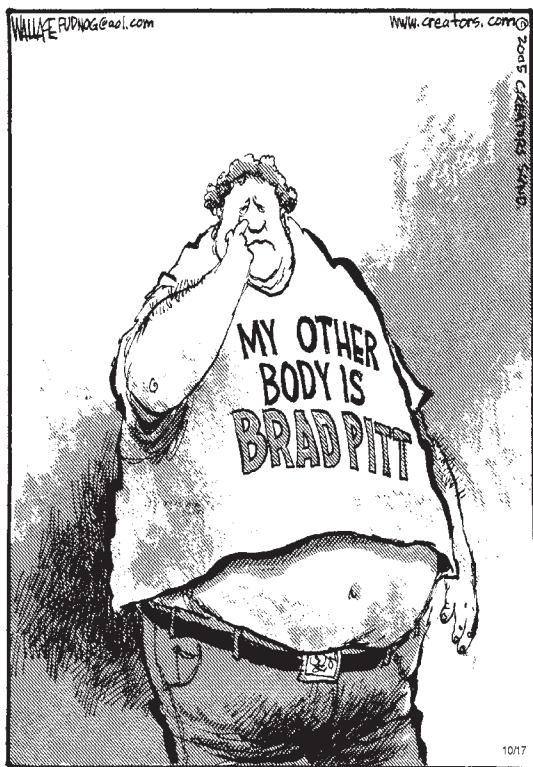


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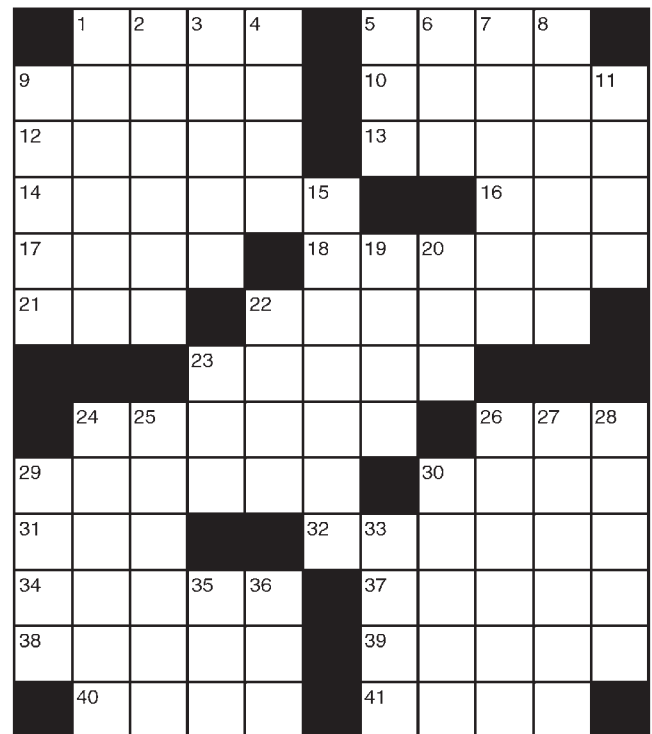
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Dated this 20th day of September, A.D. 2005

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Escrow No. 119123

Notice is hereby given that a bulk sale of assets and a transfer or liquor license(s) is about to be made. The name(s), business address(es) to the Seller(s)/transferee(s) are:
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Doing Business as:

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All other business name(s) and address(es) used by the transferor(s) within three years last past, so far as known to transferee(s), are: NONE
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That the total consideration for the transfer of said assets and of said license(s) is the sum of \$300,000.00, including the inventory estimated at \$18,000.00 which consist of the following:
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Signature of Buyer(s)

James Overtruf, Loma Lee Nelson-Huseman

Dated: September 20, 2005

Pub: 10/3/05, 10/10/05, 10/17/05

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 05 2152137 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as Spaces & Light, 4626 Via Marina #107, Marina del Rey, CA 90292. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : Bettina Bernoth, 4626 Via Marina #107, Marina del Rey, CA 90292 This Business is being conducted by, an individual. Signed: Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious name or names listed herein.. /s/: Bettina Bernoth

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 05 2215584 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as California Natural Hazard Disclosures, Real Estate Natural Hazard Disclosures, 240 N. Virgil Ave., #16, Los Angeles, CA 90004. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : Armando Sanchez, Sr., 706 N. Rampart Blvd., #3, Los Angeles, CA 90026 This Business is being conducted by, an individual. Signed: Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious name or names listed herein.. /s/: Armando Sanchez

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 05 2232344 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as Colonial Surgical Supply, 13337 E. South St., #200, Cerritos, CA 90703. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : Adelaida Guarin, 13337 E. South St., #200, Cerritos, CA 90703 This Business is being conducted by, an individual. Signed: The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed on (Date)8/1/2005. /s/: Adelaida Guarin

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 05 2232325 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as Custom Creation Upholstery, 11914 Rosecrans, Norwalk, CA 90650. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : Robert Contreras, 11957 Cheshire St., Norwalk, CA 90650 This Business is being conducted by, an individual. Signed: Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious name or names listed herein.. /s/: Robert Contreras

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 05 2232343 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as Diligent Medical Billing Services, 22322 Figueroa St., Carson, CA 90745. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : John Galazo, 22322 Figueroa St., Carson, CA 90745 This Business is being conducted by, an individual. Signed: The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed on (Date)8/1/2005. /s/: John Galazo

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 05 2220360 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as DR Mobile Resource, 3308 Arbor Rd., Lakewood, CA 90712. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : Adora Coloma, 3308 Arbor Rd., Lakewood, CA 90712 This Business is being conducted by, an individual. Signed: Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious name or names listed herein.. /s/: Adora Coloma

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 05 2232398 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as Elmer Ramos Landscaping & Gardening Services, 1600 Cimarron St., Los Angeles, CA 90019. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : Elmer Ramos, 1600 Cimarron St., Los Angeles, CA 90019 This Business is being conducted by, an individual. Signed: Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious name or names listed herein.. /s/: Elmer Ramos

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 05 2232397 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as ESL Enterprises LLC, 1605 W. Roosevelt St., Azusa, CA 91702. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : ESL Enterprises LLC, 1114 Melhan Ave., La Puente, CA 91744 This Business is being conducted by, a limited liability. Signed: The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business

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name or names listed on (Date)9/10/1999. /s/: ESL Enterprises LLC, Owner, Ernesto Lopez
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 05 2204386 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as Gabby's Discount Family Store, 6304 S. Compton Ave., LA, CA 90001. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : Blanca Estela Flores, 8330 S. Marie Ave., Los Angeles, CA 90001 This Business is being conducted by, an individual. Signed: The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed on (Date)9/13/2005. /s/: Blanca E. Flores

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 05 2230077 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as "JC" Wood Design, 5420 Pacific Blv., 1, Huntington Park, CA 90255. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : Julio Cesar Villagran, 5420 Pacific Blv., 1, Huntington Park, CA 90255 This Business is being conducted by, an individual. Signed: The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed on (Date)6/1/2005. /s/: Julio C. Villagran

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 05 2232356 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as Henry's Fuel Injection Service, 5338 S. Figueroa St., Los Angeles, CA 90037. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : Henry E. Aguilar, 437 W. 54th St., Los Angeles, CA 90037 This Business is being conducted by, an individual. Signed: The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed on (Date)6/1/2000. /s/: Henry E. Aguilar

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 05 2220394 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as KantinFlas Trucking, 9054 Bradhurst St., Pico Rivera, CA 90660. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : Jose C. Salmeron Jr., 9054 Bradhurst St., Pico Rivera, CA 90660, Jose Antonio Salmeron, 1827 S. Catalina St., Los Angeles, CA 90006 This Business is being conducted by, co-partners. Signed: Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious name



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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 05 2482064 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as Merrihew's Sunset Garden, 1526 Ocean Park Blvd., Santa Monica, CA 90405. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : Richard Craig Lahey, 1138 16th St., #6, Santa Monica, CA 90403 This Business is being conducted by, an individual. Signed: The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed on (Date)10/14/2005. /s/: Richard Lahey This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on 10/14/2005. NOTICE: THIS FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT EXPIRES FIVE YEARS FROM THE DATE IT WAS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK. A NEW FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO THAT DATE. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name statement in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14411et seq.,Business and Professions Code). SANTA MONICA DAILY PRESS to publish 10/17/2005, 10/24/2005, 10/31/2005, 11/7/2005

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 05 2404882 FRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as Hose Express, LA Tubes and Hoses, Al #/ON 2115727, 4507 W. Rosecrans Ave., Hawthorne, CA 90250. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : Bay Cities Radiator Inc, 4507 W. Rosecrans Ave., Hawthorne, CA 90250 This Business is being conducted by, a corporation. Signed: Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious name or names listed herein.. /s/: Bay Cities Radiator Inc, President, Donald Shimasaki This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on 10/05/05. NOTICE: THIS FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT EXPIRES FIVE YEARS FROM THE DATE IT WAS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK. A NEW FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO THAT DATE. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name statement in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14411et seq.,Business and Professions Code). SANTA MONICA DAILY PRESS to publish 10/17/2005, 10/24/2005, 10/31/2005, 11/7/2005

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 05 2393366 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as 1st Time Bailing, 5534 Bradna Dr., LA / PO Box 78176, LA, CA 90016. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : William E. Harris, 5534 Bradna Dr., LA / PO Box 78176, LA, CA 90016 This Business is being conducted by, an individual. Signed: The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed on (Date)4/1/2001. /s/: William Harris This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on 10/04/05. NOTICE: THIS FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT EXPIRES FIVE YEARS FROM THE DATE IT WAS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK. A NEW FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO THAT DATE. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name statement in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14411et seq.,Business and Professions Code). SANTA MONICA DAILY PRESS to publish 10/17/2005, 10/24/2005, 10/31/2005, 11/7/2005

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 05 2393334 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as America Travel, 6118 Atlantic Blvd., Maywood, CA 90270. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : Juan M. Diaz, 6430 Aliston St., Los Angeles, CA 90022 This Business is being conducted by, an individual. Signed: The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed on (Date)10/3/2005. /s/: Juan M. Diaz This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on 10/4/2005. NOTICE: THIS FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT EXPIRES FIVE YEARS FROM THE DATE IT WAS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK. A NEW FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO THAT DATE. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name statement in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14411et seq.,Business and Professions Code). SANTA MONICA DAILY PRESS to publish 10/17/2005, 10/24/2005, 10/31/2005, 11/7/2005

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 05 2371152 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as Anna's Custom Curtains, USA Custom Curtains & EXT, 7138 Greeley St., Apt. #16, Tujunga, CA 91042. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : Anna Moulguinova, 7138 Greeley St., Apt. #16, Tujunga, CA 91042 This Business is being conducted by, an individual. Signed: Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious name or names listed herein.. /s/: Anna Moulguinova This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on 9/30/05. NOTICE: THIS FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT EXPIRES FIVE YEARS FROM THE DATE IT WAS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK. A NEW FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO THAT DATE. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name statement in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14411et seq.,Business and Professions Code). SANTA MONICA DAILY PRESS to publish 10/17/2005, 10/24/2005, 10/31/2005, 11/7/2005

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 05 2394320 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as Black Jupiter Productions, Black Jupiter, 4939 Palo Verde Ave., Lakewood, CA 90713. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : Derald D. Davis, 4939 Palo Verde Ave., Lakewood, CA 90713 This Business is being conducted by, an individual. Signed: Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious name or names listed herein.. /s/: Derald D. Davis This statement was filed with the County Clerk of

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LOS ANGELES County on 10/04/05. NOTICE: THIS FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT EXPIRES FIVE YEARS FROM THE DATE IT WAS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK. A NEW FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO THAT DATE. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name statement in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14411et seq.,Business and Professions Code). SANTA MONICA DAILY PRESS to publish 10/17/2005, 10/24/2005, 10/31/2005, 11/7/2005

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 05 2416356 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as Bloccwise Entertainment, 1814 Mansfield Ave., Los Angeles, CA 90019. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : Ronald Moore, 1814 Mansfield Ave., Los Angeles, CA 90019 This Business is being conducted by, an individual. Signed: Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious name or names listed herein.. /s/: Ronald Moore This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on 10/06/05. NOTICE: THIS FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT EXPIRES FIVE YEARS FROM THE DATE IT WAS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK. A NEW FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO THAT DATE. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name statement in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14411et seq.,Business and Professions Code). SANTA MONICA DAILY PRESS to publish 10/17/2005, 10/24/2005, 10/31/2005, 11/7/2005

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 05 2370801 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as CDR Construction Management, 93 Surfside Ave., Surfside, CA 90743. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : Benjamin Davis Grote, 93 Surfside Ave., Surfside, CA 90743 This Business is being conducted by, an individual. Signed: The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed on (Date)9/30/2005. /s/: Benjamin D. Grote This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on 9/30/2005. NOTICE: THIS FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT EXPIRES FIVE YEARS FROM THE DATE IT WAS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK. A NEW FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO THAT DATE. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name statement in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14411et seq.,Business and Professions Code). SANTA MONICA DAILY PRESS to publish 10/17/2005, 10/24/2005, 10/31/2005, 11/7/2005

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 05 2393397 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as Cobel Auto Body, Al #/ON 1162684, 18225 Parthenia Blvd., #A, Northridge, CA 91324. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : Tanhous'n Co Inc, 18658 Klum Pl., Rowland Heights, CA 91748 This Business is being conducted by, a corporation. Signed: The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed on (Date)10/4/2005. /s/: Tanhous'n Co Inc, CEO, Jimmy Tan This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on 10/4/2005. NOTICE: THIS FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT EXPIRES FIVE YEARS FROM THE DATE IT WAS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK. A NEW FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO THAT DATE. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name statement in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14411et seq.,Business and Professions Code). SANTA MONICA DAILY PRESS to publish 10/17/2005, 10/24/2005, 10/31/2005, 11/7/2005

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 05 2394398 FRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as Devin Body and Fender, 11510 S. Alameda St., Unit 6 1/2, Linwood, CA 90262. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : Ernesto Santana, 5202 1/2 Latham St, Los Angeles, CA 90011 This Business is being conducted by, an individual. Signed: Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious name or names listed herein.. /s/: Ernesto Santana

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 05 2416371 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as Glenoak Apt, 11710 Glenoak Blvd., Pacoima, CA 91340. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : Jose Trinidad Onate, 5617 Lemon Grove Ave., Los Angeles, CA 90038, Raul Onate, 5617 Lemon Grove Ave., Los Angeles, CA 90038 This Business is being conducted by, co-partners. Signed: The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed on (Date)11/18/2004. /s/: Jose Trinidad Onate, Raul Onate

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 05 2413924 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as GM Lupita's Mini Market, 740 E. Martin Luther King Jr., LA, CA 90037. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : Maritza Guevara Diego, 9807 S. Wilmington Ave., Los Angeles, CA 90002, Elfidio Gustavo Lopez Vasquez, 9807 S. Wilmington Ave., Los Angeles, CA 90002 This Business is being conducted by, husband and wife. Signed: Registrant has not yet

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begun to transact business under the fictitious name or names listed herein.. /s/: Elfidio Gustavo Lopez Vasquez, Maritza Guevara Diego This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on 10/06/05. NOTICE: THIS FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT EXPIRES FIVE YEARS FROM THE DATE IT WAS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK. A NEW FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO THAT DATE. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name statement in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14411et seq.,Business and Professions Code). SANTA MONICA DAILY PRESS to publish 10/17/2005, 10/24/2005, 10/31/2005, 11/7/2005

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 05 2416330 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as Hoop School, 5025 East Pacific Coast Highway, #230, Long Beach, CA 90804. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : Willette Nicole Anderson, 5025 East Pacific Coast Highway, #230, Long Beach, CA 90804 This Business is being conducted by, an individual. Signed: The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed on (Date)10/6/2005. /s/: Willette Nicole Anderson

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 05 2403630 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as JC Body Shop, 2135 W. 16 St., Long Beach, CA 90813. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : Juan Francisco Cabrera, 2135 W. 16 St., Long Beach, CA 90813 This Business is being conducted by, an individual. Signed: The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed on (Date)2/1/2003. /s/: Juan Francisco Cabrera

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 05 2416336 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as Just Us Network, California State Bar Association, Three Star Assistance, 528 S. Wall St., Suite #302, Los Angeles, CA 90013. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : Elijah Malachi X Mothershed, 528 S. Wall St., Suite #302, Los Angeles, CA 90013 This Business is being conducted by, an individual. Signed: The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed on (Date)10/6/2005. /s/: Elijah Malachi X Mothershed This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on 10/6/2005. NOTICE: THIS FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT EXPIRES FIVE YEARS FROM THE DATE IT WAS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK. A NEW FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO THAT DATE. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name statement in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14411et seq.,Business and Professions Code). SANTA MONICA DAILY PRESS to publish 10/17/2005, 10/24/2005, 10/31/2005, 11/7/2005

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 05 2420417 FRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as Kobe Perfume, 521 S. Los Angeles Street, Los Angeles, CA 90015. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : U.S. Perfume, 303 N. Swall Drive, #105, Beverly Hills, CA 90211 This Business is being conducted by, a corporation. Signed: Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious name or names listed herein.. /s/: U.S. Perfume, CEO, Samuel Kohan This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on 10/06/05. NOTICE: THIS FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT EXPIRES FIVE YEARS FROM THE DATE IT WAS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK. A NEW FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO THAT DATE. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name statement in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14411et seq.,Business and Professions Code). SANTA MONICA DAILY PRESS to publish 10/17/2005, 10/24/2005, 10/31/2005, 11/7/2005

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 05 2393358 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as L&L Investments Co., 12203 Corley Dr., Whittier, CA 90604. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : Walter Cabrera, 12203 Corley Dr., Whittier, CA 90604, Luigi Perrotta, 54 62nd Place, Long Beach, CA 90803 This Business is being conducted by, co-partners. Signed: Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious name or names listed herein.. /s/: Walter Cabrera, Luigi Perrotta

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 05 2357614 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as M.I.A. Records Inc., Al #/ON 2894698, 1626 N. Wilcox Ave., Apt.

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417, LA, CA 90028. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : M.I.A. Records Inc., 3305 W. Spring Mountain Dr., Suite 60-24, Las Vegas, NV 89102 This Business is being conducted by, a corporation. Signed: The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed on (Date)12/17/1998. /s/: M.I.A. Records Inc., President, Jesse Turner This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on 09/29/05. NOTICE: THIS FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT EXPIRES FIVE YEARS FROM THE DATE IT WAS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK. A NEW FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO THAT DATE. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name statement in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14411et seq.,Business and Professions Code). SANTA MONICA DAILY PRESS to publish 10/17/2005, 10/24/2005, 10/31/2005, 11/7/2005

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 05 2390747 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as Martin Auto Electric, 8310 S. Broadway, LA, CA 90003. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : Martin Carbajal Perez, 6573 4th Ave., LA, CA 90043 This Business is being conducted by, an individual. Signed: Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious name or names listed herein.. /s/: Martin Carbajal Perez

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 05 2393396 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as Ochoa's, 14322 Falco Ave., Norwalk, CA 90650. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : Miguel Ochoa, 14322 Falco Ave., Norwalk, CA 90650 This Business is being conducted by, an individual. Signed: Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious name or names listed herein.. /s/: Miguel Ochoa

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 05 2369435 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as Professional Drafting & Design, 6220 Oxsee Ave., Whittier, CA 90606. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : Jesus M. Lizarraa, 6220 Oxsee Ave., Whittier, CA 90606 This Business is being conducted by, an individual. Signed: Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious name or names listed herein.. /s/: Jesus M. Lizarraa

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 05 2404832 FRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as Rapid Legal Services, Al #/ON 2196444, 213 W. Alameda Ave., Suite 101, Burbank, CA 91502. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : Express Med. Billing and Consulting, 213 W. Alameda Ave., Suite 101, Burbank, CA 91502 This Business is being conducted by, a corporation. Signed: The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed on (Date)10/1/2005. /s/: Express Med. Billing & Consulting

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 05 2394360 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as Restaurante Y

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Pupuseria Kasandra's, 5736 S. Broadway Ave., Los Angeles, CA 90037. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : Blanca Angelica Zuniga Denochez, 512 E. 64th St., Los Angeles, CA 90003, Blanca Isabel Fuentes, 512 E. 64th St., Los Angeles, CA 90003 This Business is being conducted by, co-partners. Signed: The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed on (Date)7/1/2004. /s/: Blanca Denochez, Blanca Fuentes This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on 10/04/05. NOTICE: THIS FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT EXPIRES FIVE YEARS FROM THE DATE IT WAS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK. A NEW FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO THAT DATE. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name statement in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14411et seq.,Business and Professions Code). SANTA MONICA DAILY PRESS to publish 10/17/2005, 10/24/2005, 10/31/2005, 11/7/2005

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 05 2370854 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as Selco 2 Battery Co., 2220 E. Foothill Blvd., Pasadena, CA 91107. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : Gregory W. Tria, 222 Monterey Road #1201, Glendale, CA 91206 This Business is being conducted by, an individual. Signed: Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious name or names listed herein.. /s/: Gregory Tria This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on 9/30/05. NOTICE: THIS FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT EXPIRES FIVE YEARS FROM THE DATE IT WAS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK. A NEW FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO THAT DATE. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name statement in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14411et seq.,Business and Professions Code). SANTA MONICA DAILY PRESS to publish 10/17/2005, 10/24/2005, 10/31/2005, 11/7/2005

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 05 2427195 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as SCIENCE AND SENSORS TECHNOLOGY, SCIENCE AND SENSORS TECHNOLOGIES, 4117 Tivoli Av., Los Angeles, CA 90066. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : Claudio Oliveira Egalon, 4117 Tivoli Av., Los Angeles, CA 90066 This Business is being conducted by, an individual. Signed: Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious name or names listed herein.. /s/: Claudio Oliveira Egalon

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 05 2461907 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as Executive Health Services, Pacific Mediation Services, Local Energy Network, Al #/ON 200522110044, 1330 California St., #303, Santa Monica, CA 90403. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : NRG Enterprises, LLC, CALIFORNIA, 1330 California St., #303, Santa Monica, CA 90403 This Business is being conducted by, a limited liability. Signed: The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed on (Date)10/3/2005. /s/: NRG Enterprises, LLC, Managing Member, Donald R. Furnival

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 05 2482065 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as Deb Murray Events, Deb Murray Consulting, 2450 4th St., Santa Monica, CA 90405. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : Debra Murray, 2450 4th St., Santa Monica, CA 90405 This Business is being conducted by, an individual. Signed: The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed on (Date)10/1/2005. /s/: Debra A. Murray This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on 10/1/2005. NOTICE: THIS FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT EXPIRES FIVE YEARS FROM THE DATE IT WAS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK. A NEW FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO THAT DATE. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name statement in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14411et seq.,Business and Professions Code). SANTA MONICA DAILY

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Superior Court of California, County of Los Angeles Petition of Jeannine Stephanie Smith for Change of Name To ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner or Attorney: Jeannine Stephanie Smith filed a petition with this court for a decree of changing names as follows: Jeannine Stephanie Smith to Jayne Bela Tylor. The court orders that all persons interested in this matter shall appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Notice

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PEOPLE IN THE NEWS

Toking tales: Etheridge smoked during chemo

By The Associated Press

NEW YORK — Melissa Etheridge says she smoked medicinal marijuana to help with the side effects of chemotherapy during her treatment for breast cancer.

The 44-year-old singer, who was diagnosed over a year ago, is now cancer-free.

"Instead of taking five or six of the prescriptions, I decided to go a natural route and smoke marijuana," Etheridge says in an interview to air Sunday on "Dateline NBC" (7 p.m. EDT).

When asked how her doctors reacted, Etheridge says, "Every single one was, 'Oh, yeah. That's the best help for the effects of chemotherapy.'"

The singer says she smoked marijuana every day for her pain and symptoms and "the minute I didn't feel it, I stopped."

The use of marijuana with a doctor's recommendation is legal in California and nine other states, but is against federal law.

Etheridge says she isn't concerned about federal prosecution.

"No, I didn't worry. But it was worth it."

Her new greatest hits album, "The Road Less Traveled," includes the new song "I Run for Life," which is dedicated to the fight against breast cancer.

NEW YORK — What would Bob Saget say about this?

Mary-Kate Olsen, who shared the role of Michelle with her twin sister, Ashley, on the '80s comedy "Full House," has dropped out of college, early in her sophomore year, according to a published report.

"Mary-Kate Olsen has taken an approved leave of absence from New York University to focus on her increasing responsibilities as co-president of Dualstar Entertainment Group and to pursue personal interests," her publicist, Michael Pagnotta, was quoted on People magazine's Web site Friday.

Olsen's twin sister, Ashley, also co-president of Dualstar, will remain at NYU.

A message to Pagnotta from The Associated Press

wasn't immediately returned Friday.

Mary-Kate, 19, spent six weeks at a treatment center for an eating disorder in summer 2004.

Since starting out as babies on "Full House" — Saget played their father — the twins have created a multimedia empire with a clothing line, feature films, direct-to-video movies and other merchandise.

Mary-Kate, a brunette, and Ashley, who is blond, became co-presidents of Dualstar when they turned 18. Each is estimated to be worth more than \$150 million.

BURBANK, Calif. — Ellen DeGeneres will get a fancy tour guide when she takes her talk show to Manhattan next month.

New York Sen. Hillary Rodham Clinton has agreed to show DeGeneres around the city during the comedian's Thanksgiving Week visit.

"We'll go see some theater, and we'll hang out and do some stuff there. We'll go to clubs," DeGeneres said during Thursday's taping of "The Ellen DeGeneres Show."

"You'll go to the clubs," Clinton replied.

DeGeneres also congratulated Clinton on her 30-year marriage to former President Clinton.

"He's the kind of person you really want to be married to for 30 years because he washes dishes," Clinton said.

She added that Clinton is feeling much better since his heart bypass surgery and is working hard on his foundation and other international efforts.

LOS ANGELES — Tori Spelling's husband has filed for divorce, a little more than a year after the couple married.

The couple separated last month. Actor-writer Charlie Shahan is seeking spousal support from Spelling, according to papers filed Thursday in Los Angeles Superior Court.

Spelling, best known for her role as Donna on TV's "Beverly Hills, 90210," met Shahan on stage in 2002 during the Los Angeles production of his romantic comedy "Maybe, Baby It's You." The two were in 11

vignettes about couples in search of love.

They wed in July 2004 at her parents' Holmby Hills home.

Spelling's father is TV producer Aaron Spelling.

SANTO DOMINGO, Dominican Republic — Jennifer Lopez and husband Marc Anthony will open the President of Latin Music Festival. The three-night event runs Friday through Sunday.

It will be the first time that Lopez performs onstage in the Dominican Republic. Anthony has performed four times in the Caribbean country.

Lopez's participation shows how important the festival has become to Latin and Caribbean artists and "the affection and respect she has for her roots," said festival spokeswoman Maribel Hernandez.

The sixth biennial President of Latin Music Festival will be held in Santo Domingo's Felix Sanchez Olympic Stadium. Some 150,000 people are expected to attend.

Spanish pop-singer David Bisbal, Puerto Rican reggaeton singer Daddy Yankee and Dominican merengue singer Sergio Vargas will perform on Saturday and Sunday.

NEW YORK — Penn & Teller will go "Off the Deep End" in an NBC special that will air Nov. 13.

The two-hour show will be the first magic special ever performed entirely underwater, the network said Wednesday. It was filmed in the Caribbean, off the coast of Grand Cayman and the Atlantis, Paradise Island resort in the Bahamas.

Penn & Teller will make a submarine "disappear," do tricks with sharks and "psychic" dolphins, and perform a new "superillusion" in which they walk on water.

As with their Las Vegas stage act, they will reveal how they pull off their illusions.

"We've been living in the Las Vegas desert for years. Nothing but cactus, sand, scorpions and Wayne Newton," Penn Jillette, the vocal half of the duo, said in a statement. "And we realized it was time to do a show underwater. Magic needs a good head-soaking."

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