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NEWS OF THE WEIRD
BY CHUCK SHEPARD

Mr. Yamaki, you are an incredibly lucky man," said New York City federal magistrate Lois Bloom in September, presiding at a bail hearing for Japanese executive Yoshio Yamaki, 56, who had been charged with stealing \$7 million from his employer to fund his gambling habit. Bloom was referring to the fact that his substantial bail had been jointly arranged by Yamaki's wife, Hiroko (whom he had walked out on in January), and his mistress, Megumi Tsuji, with whom he had been living.

TODAY IN HISTORY

Today is the 297th day of 2006.
There are 68 days left in the year.

- 1945
- The United Nations official-ly came into existence as its charter took effect.
- 1537
- Jane Seymour, the third wife of England's King Henry VIII, died 12 days after giving birth to Prince Edward, later King Edward VI.
- 1931
- The George Washington Bridge, connecting New York and New Jersey, opened to traffic.

QUOTE OF THE DAY

"History must always be taken with a grain of salt. It is, after all, not a science but an art."

PHYLLIS MCGINLEY
AMERICAN POET AND AUTHOR (1905-1978)

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Tunnel vision

Fabian Lewkowicz FABIANL@SMDP.COM

Attendees of the annual Ocean Park Barbecue load up their plates on Monday outside the Victorian on Main Street.

Teenager is shot without knowing

By Daily Press staff

PICO BOULEVARD — Santa Monica Police are looking for a suspect wanted in connection with the shooting of a teenage girl here over the weekend. Shortly before 10 p.m. on Saturday, officers responded to the 2700 block of Pico Boulevard regarding calls of shots fired. When officers arrived, they made contact with an injured girl, who had been shot in her right leg. The 17-year-old victim said she was walking into an apartment complex when she felt a sharp pain in her leg. Only then did she realize she had been shot, police said. The victim was treated at the scene by paramedics before being transported to a local hospital. She was not able to describe the assailants. "She never even heard the gunshot," said SMPD Capt. Alex Padilla. "We're still investigating, trying to get as many facts as possible."

WeTip

Anyone having information regarding the incident is encouraged to contact the Santa Monica Police Department at (310) 458-8491. Callers who wish to provide anonymous information may call the We-Tip national hotline at 1-800-78-CRIME (27463).



Brett Lowell SPECIAL TO THE DAILY PRESS
CLIFFHANGER: A climber featured in 'Dosage Volume IV' catches a fingerhold. The documentary will be featured at the Reel Rock festival at John Adams MS.

Life on the 'bivy'

Film fest celebrates all things climbing

BY MELODY HANATANI
Daily Press Staff Writer

JOHN ADAMS MIDDLE SCHOOL — Timmy O'Neill's life changed forever the moment he reached the top of a cliff at Joshua Tree National Park 17 years ago. "This is as good as it can feel," O'Neill remembered thinking at the

time he concluded his first rock climbing experience. "I can't wait to feel some more." He didn't. O'Neill went on to become one of the world's top rock climbers, living life out of a backpack, one day at a time, while traveling the world from

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It's all location, location, location

BY KEVIN HERRERA
Daily Press Staff Writer

CITY HALL — In a deviation from the usual script, the City Council is expected tonight to author a scene that favors landlords over tenants. Known for being a staunch protector of renters' rights, council members could move to make life a little easier for the landlords by capping the amount of money they have to pay tenants for relocation during the repair or renovation of their units.

At present, City Hall doesn't limit how much landlords must pay when they temporarily move a tenant out of an apartment. Landlords are also forced to pay for relocation, even if the tenant is responsible for the damages that made repairs necessary, such as a fire. Those provisions, or lack thereof, led one landlord to file suit against City Hall for failing to comply with a state provision that offers landlords the right to appeal the awarding of relocation benefits. In that case, the Santa Monica Fire Department deemed that the fire — which rendered two units uninhabitable — was caused by a tenant smoking while laying in bed. The owner was ordered to provide relocation benefits until the units were repaired. The owner subsequently sued City Hall, claiming the relocation law was an unconstitutional taking of property, because it requires that benefits be paid in "unlimited amounts" and denied landlords the right to an appeal, which is granted under state law.

In the interest of clarifying and complying, the City Attorney's Office recommended changes that include setting a "per diem" rate or a flat fee per day for housing, meals, laundry and pet accommodations. It has not yet been determined

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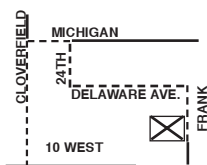
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ARIES (March 21-April 19)

★★★★ Events and a willingness to work with others encourage an overview. New beginnings are possible, if you like. Handling others and relating on a deeper level bring forth opportunity and new beginnings. Tonight: You have a strong way of stating your case.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

★★★★ Remember the old expression "keep your friends close and your enemies closer"? You might want to put this proverb into action, or at least be more observant of friend and foe. You'll gain useful information. Tonight: Yes, someone could be caustic. Distance yourself if need be.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

★★★★ You can accomplish a lot. To some you might appear as a whirling dervish, close to unstoppable. Let others reveal their true colors by listening and not always acting. You might be surprised. Tonight: Pick through your invitations.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

★★★★ Listen to others and make the necessary decisions that surround a child or loved one. You find that when faced with a problem, answers evolve. Trust your abilities more completely, and you'll get results. Tonight: Find a favorite, comforting spot and relax.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

★★★★★ Even if you are well-intended, you could be a bit pushed by personal responsibilities, family and a real estate matter. Do you know when to toss your hands in the air and say enough? You get a chance to practice. Tonight: Live it up!

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

★★★★ Easily, you could be overwhelmed by others' expectations. You might need to do this and that for others; though you might long for a retreat, and are likely to take one. Listen to what others think, even if you want to put your hands over your ears! Tonight: Nestle in.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

★★★★ Use extreme caution with your finances. You could be tired and more withdrawn than usual. Understand just how much someone really cares before you make a call or say something you might regret. Use your famed diplomacy. Tonight: At a favorite spot.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

★★★★ You might want to make waves and change gears. Work on being more helpful and content. Sometimes your extremely assertive and energetic style is misread. For better or worse, you don't care right now. Tonight: Treat yourself!

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

★★★★ Think before you leap into action. In fact, the morning encourages you to take a long, hard look at what is going on. Honor more of what you want and need. Think positively. Tonight: As you want — right now!

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

★★★★★ Consider reversing gears or heading in a different direction. How you see someone or what you might or might not do could throw you off. A new friendship or a renewed one could be in the offing. Tonight: Take some time off.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

★★★★ You of all signs will be called on the carpet today. Others hold you responsible for events that you might not think you have anything to do with. Look at where you might have needed to assume a stronger role. Tonight: That's right — leader of the gang.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

★★★★★ Take the high road and don't get involved in complications that you would prefer not to. Detachment might give you a stronger sense of direction. Be positive. Tonight: Others notice you.

BORN TODAY Actor David Nelson (1936), actor Kevin Kline (1947)

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OBITUARY

Go-getter O'Neill, 73

BY KEVIN HERRERA
Daily Press Staff Writer

DOWNTOWN — Already a mother and a housewife, Louise Jane O'Neill was looking for even more to do when she went to work as an assistant at the now-defunct Los Angeles Herald-Examiner. The next thing she knew, O'Neill was writing a column on things to do in Southern California.

From there, O'Neill entered into the world of advertising, where she spent the next 30 years as one of the Santa Monica Outlook's top display advertising representatives, luring local businesses with her charm, enthusiasm and dedication to her clients.

Last Thursday, O'Neill (or "Janie" to family, friends and clients) died of congestive heart failure. She was 73.

O'Neill had been in poor health for the last few years, according to her daughter, Sharon O'Neill, who lived with her mother in their West Hills home.

"The phone hasn't stopped ringing all day," the younger O'Neill said last week, fighting back tears. "There wasn't anyone she wouldn't help. Everyone loved her. Whatever you needed, she was there."

Louise Jane O'Neill was born in Connecticut, where she received a degree in nursing. She moved to California in 1958 with her husband and three-year-old daughter, settling in the San Fernando Valley.

"She said she just needed some work ... and she ended up being one of the best in her field," the younger O'Neill said. "She was known for hitting the pavement, going out to her customers."

While working for the Outlook, O'Neill handled some of the newspaper's top clients, including Cox Paint, Inc., Naylor Paint, Bubar's Jewelry, Cosentino's, Fisher Lumber and Bourget Bros. Building Materials.

"She's a local legend in the newspaper business," said Kelly Pye, a former Outlook advertising representative who worked with O'Neill for nearly 13 years. "It's hard to think of Janie without seeing her just bursting through the door. She was just a very vibrant woman, a great newspaper representative

who really established strong relationships with her clients. It's very sad to hear she's gone"

Former Outlook executive editor Skip Rimer remembers O'Neill as opinionated with a "gruff exterior, but a heart of gold interior."

"She made us laugh," Rimer said. "And life was never dull with her around. When she was in the room — or even the next room — everyone knew it ... Janie was a wonderfully unique individual."

Eddie Guerboian of Readers Jewelers was one of O'Neill's loyal clients. He remembers O'Neill's energy, her smile ... and her love of jewelry.

"She was just so go, go, go. She had so much energy that sometimes I would have to calm her down," Guerboian said. "She was always thinking of her clients and how to take care of their needs. She was tough at times, but you always knew that she was sincere and looking out for your best interests."

While O'Neill spent much of her time trying to please her clients, outside of advertising she was just as giving, willing to "offer you the shirt off her back," said friend Maxine Flam.

"Janie could relate to everyone — old, young and in between," Flam said. "She loved to talk politics, history, religion and even frustrating things like leaking pipes ... electrical problems and firing numerous gardeners. When we spoke on any topic, I knew that Janie was well read, well informed, not to mention interesting."

Flam said the last time she spoke with O'Neill, her good friend told her she did not think she would live much longer.

"I told her not to talk that way," Flam said. "She was going to be around a long time ... I guess Janie knew."

Memorial services for O'Neill have yet to be scheduled. Her daughter plans to spread her mother's ashes along the beach in the coming weeks.

"I know she misses everyone there," the younger O'Neill said. "She misses all of Santa Monica. She lived in the Valley for 43 years, but she basically considered Santa Monica her home."



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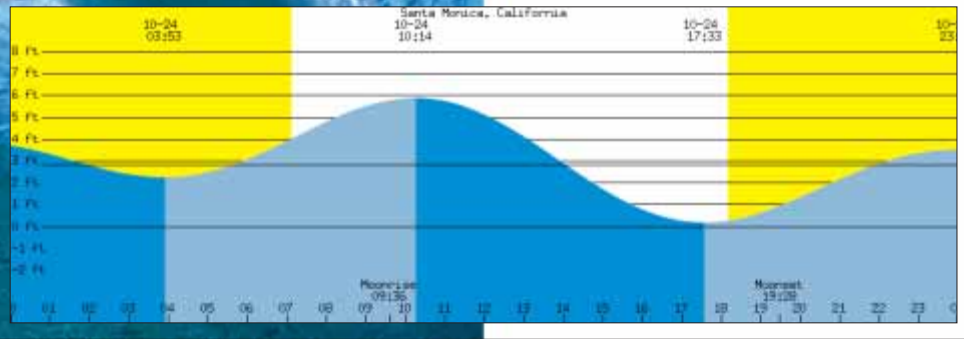


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The QLine

The verdict is in ...
Following more than two weeks of deliberations, the Farmers' Market crash jury found George Russell Weller guilty on 10 counts of vehicular manslaughter with gross negligence — opting against the lesser charges before the 89-year-old Weller, who drove his car through the outdoor Arizona Avenue market more than three years ago, killing 10 people and injuring more than 60 others.
While Weller faces up to 18 years in prison, sources indicate the prosecution may not seek jail time.
So this week, Q-Line wants to know:
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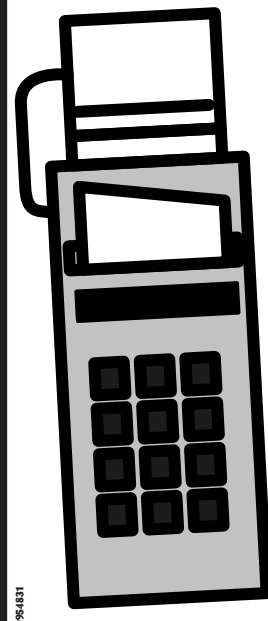
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GUEST COMMENTARY BY JOHN W. WHITEHEAD

To horror, a season

"To a new world of gods and monsters."
Bride of Frankenstein (1935)

The public mood had changed — and radically. "The crack in the fabric of reality known politely as the year A.D. 1931," writes David J. Skal in his book *The Monster Show*, "appeared to many Americans to be the end of all possibilities." The sting of the Great Depression of 1929 was about to hit bottom. But within a year, the world's unemployed population would reach an estimated 30 million people. A popular song of the time, "Life Is Just a Bowl of Cherries," had the hint of sour grapes. As one author noted, "The phrase came into common use because it expressed a common state of mind. The bottom had fallen out of the tubs into which America had poured its hopes and faiths; the great horn of plenty had voided itself and all that was left of its unimaginable riches was a bowl of cherries."

Much like today, bitterness, despair and fear ruled the cultural landscape. Millions awaited a scapegoat or a deliverer. Instead, a monster in the flesh — Adolf Hitler — was about to wreak havoc on the world. It is little wonder, then, that 1931 would be the year that the modern horror film was born.

Such has been the history of both horror and science fiction films, which reflect the angst, fear and paranoia of the times. This is true of the present horror genre. How else can one explain such modern films as "The Ring" (2002), "Saw" (2004) and "Descent" (2006) — all focusing on the darkness, chaos and cruelty of human beings and the demonic nature of modern technology? As such, the horror genre has much to teach us about ourselves and our culture.

However, much modern horror — with its abundance of blood and guts — is not for the faint of heart. Yet, this was not true of the early horror films, many of which have now become classics. The older black-and-white horror films, while encapsulating their times, are as entertaining as they are fun to watch. Here are some of my favorites:

"Dracula" (1931). Bela Lugosi in his most famous role as a vampire who terrorizes the countryside in search of human blood. The influential film "The Last Man on Earth" (1964) is a fine adaptation of the vampire tale.

"Frankenstein" (1931). Adapted from the Mary Shelley novel about a crazed scientist who creates a terrifying but strangely sympathetic monster. This film introduces us to the legendary Boris Karloff as the monster. The classic sequel *Bride of Frankenstein* (1935) is a gem.

"The Mummy" (1932). It took eight hours of extraordinary make-up to turn Karloff into a macabre Egyptian mummy. The mummy, a 4,000-year-old priest who was disgraced and buried alive, comes to life and seeks a girl whom he believes is the rein-

carnation of his long-lost love. "The Mummy" (1959) is an effective remake of the classic.

"The Wolf Man" (1941). Lon Chaney becomes a werewolf when he is bitten by a gypsy, played by none other than Bela Lugosi. Still one of the best werewolf movies ever made. But the very gory "Dog Soldiers" (2002) rivals any film version of the werewolf saga.

"Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde" (1941). Spencer Tracy plays a schizophrenic physician who resorts to his primal animal nature to stalk and kill women. Great supporting cast, including Ingrid Bergman and Lana Turner. "Mary Reilly" (1996) is an intriguing take on the Jekyll/Hyde story.

"Cat People" (1942). A Balkan immigrant believes in a curse that will change her into a deadly panther that must kill to survive. From classic director Jacques Tourneur. The 1982 remake is somewhat disappointing.

"I Walked with a Zombie" (1943). Another from director Tourneur about an American nurse who travels to Haiti to care for a catatonic woman. The plot thickens when the nurse takes her patient to a voodoo ceremony. "Night of the Living Dead" (1968) is considered the best modern tale of the walking dead.

"The Uninvited" (1944). A man and his sister buy a home that they soon realize is haunted by spirits. This chilling film is one of the first to deal seriously with ghosts. Stars Ray Milland. "The Haunted" (1991) is also a well-made ghost story.

"Curse of the Demon" (1957). A psychologist (Dana Andrews) investigates the death of a colleague and enters the world of demonology. This superb thriller from Jacques Tourneur attacks our modern notion of a rationalistic world. Creepy film. "The Exorcist" (1973) is one of the most frightening demon movies ever.

"Black Sunday" (1960). A witch (who also happens to be a vampire) and her lover are executed in 1630. Two hundred years later, they are accidentally resurrected and seek revenge. Disturbing at points. "Burn, Witch, Burn" (1962) is a suspenseful spin on witchcraft.

Unlike most horror films in the theaters today, you won't have to worry about gore or blood — especially since most of these films are in black and white. In other words, unlike most modern films, you'll have to use your imagination. However, there are some genuinely chilling moments in all these classic movies. And all are available on DVD.

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BY AMY KAUFMAN

Special to the Daily Press

CITY HALL — City Council members are expected to spend more than \$238,000 tonight on renovations to bolster a number of homes in the city and the quality of the roads that lead there.

Home should get a little bit sweeter for residents of the Mountain View Mobilehome Park, 1930 Stewart Street, if officials agree to foot the \$121,000 bill for improvements on park grounds.

Built in the early 1950s, the park occupies five acres of land and has 105 rent-controlled spaces, but some of the park’s facilities are in disrepair.

An 1,130-square foot community building on the property contains bathrooms, laundry facilities, a resident manager’s office and a small adjacent pool. Dry rot and termites were discovered in February 2006 and further investigation showed water leaks under the foundation which had eroded the concrete footings and slab. Additionally, the bearing wall between the laundry room and bathrooms was unsound upon discovery. The bathrooms have since been closed.

The new building plans outlined in a city staff report include “new sewer and water lines, new concrete slab, new framing of structural members and bearing walls, new electrical, new drywall and flooring, and new bathrooms that will meet Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) requirements.” Infrastructure upgrades would include “replacement of existing electrical systems; installation of natural gas lines; replacement of water and sewer lines; installation of new underground lines for cable, television and telephone; installation of on site fire hydrants; and regarding and repairing of interior roadways with rolled curbs.”

City property since December of 2000, Santa Monica legally settled to preserve the property at Mountain View for affordable housing.

Under the city’s ownership, many new features have been implemented at the park, including the establishment of emergency vehicle access and adequate road widths for the vehicles, installation of a fire hydrant adjacent to the property, installation of bollards for protection of residents’ propane tanks, removal of city-owned substandard units and repairs to other units, and mitigation of overcrowded mobile homes by relocating families within the park, a city staff report said.

Infrastructure upgrades, establishing code compliant lot lines and new mobile home installation, along with the aforementioned repairs, are proposed to cost \$121,134 and begin in early 2007.

SMOOTHER WALKWAYS IN STORE

Neighborhood improvements are also slated for residents under the Borderline Neighborhood Improvement Project — a plan implementing new curbs and gutters, sidewalks, driveways, ADA curb ramps and landscaping along Longfellow Street and the connecting streets of Marine, Navy and Ozone between Longfellow and Lincoln Boulevard.

The proposed scope of services include “a feasibility study to develop concept design plans to address pedestrian safety, parking availability, traffic circulation, and the lack of parkway trees and landscaping,” a city staff report said.

Nelson-Nygaard Consulting Associates, who are providing the services, will include a community outreach component with key residential property owners, tenants and business owners in the area. Public meetings will be hosted by the staff to encourage community participation.

The suggested improvements are expected to cost around \$117,000.

BEING GREEN NETS GREEN

Santa Monica could stand to cash in for its recycling skills if council agrees to apply for a grant tonight. The California Tire Recycling Management Fund appropriates a program that “promotes alternative uses for waste tires and decreases environmental impacts from unlawful tire disposal and traditional stockpiling methods,” a city staff report said.

Santa Monica has used recycled tire products in rubberized asphalt for Annual Street Repair/Resurfacing Project for several years. The city has also used rubberized sidewalk panels comprised of recycled tires as durable, environmentally friendly ways to avoid tree root management or concrete sidewalk removal around trees with root problems.

If approved for the grant, the city could net \$100,000.

HISTORIC PROPERTY TAX BREAK

Those residents who own historic properties in Santa Monica should be getting a tax break thanks to the Mills Act Historic Property Preservation Agreements. The Mills Act is “a state law which enables local governments to enter into contracts of qualified historic properties to authorize a property tax reduction,” a city staff report said. The act was established in an effort to help preserve and designate such historical sites in the city with the provision of incentives.

Those buildings which are qualified structurally and evaluated for their restoration and maintenance needs will be eligible for the proposed 10-year plan, which will allow a \$4,649 property tax revenue reduction for the owners.

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Chris Sarmiento (at top) and Chuck Berling, from the City of Los Angeles' Water and Power division, work 60 feet up, installing a cross-arm to hold in place a new transformer at the corner of Abbot Kinney and Venice boulevards recently. The extra electricity is needed to build a new development on the lot at corner.

STATE BRIEFS

LOS ANGELES

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Transportation officials are considering a \$1 billion light rail line directly to Los Angeles International Airport.

The line would run along Crenshaw Boulevard and Florence Avenue between Exposition Boulevard and the airport. Metropolitan Transportation Authority planners said it could be up and running by 2015 if they get funding.

The Green Line along the Century Freeway from Norwalk to El Segundo was initially supposed to terminate at the airport, but the LAX connection was scrubbed by the MTA because of budget problems.

“Obviously, Crenshaw is very heavily traveled. It meets all the criteria for a good line. It goes through commercial areas. It goes near schools,” said Supervisor Yvonne Brathwaite Burke, an MTA board member.

FORT IRWIN

Sending in more of the Cavalry

The U.S. Army may enlarge the 11th Armored Cavalry Regiment and Fort Irwin and increase annual troop maneuvers at the Mojave Desert base.

Potential changes call for increasing the number of yearly maneuvers from 10 to 12 and stationing up to 3,400 more soldiers at the military post 40 miles northeast of Barstow, said Col. Christopher Philbrick, Fort Irwin's garrison commander.

The proposals are under review. Fort Irwin was designated the Army's National Training Center in 1981 and some 60,000 soldiers are trained yearly during monthlong maneuvers.

Philbrick said an environmental report will look at the impact of the additional troops and up to 5,000 family members on Fort Irwin's facilities, including military and housing structures, schools and dining halls.

It will also study the potential impact on the environment _ including water supply, air quality, road traffic to and from the fort, and the effect on the imperiled desert tortoise.

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Landlords to collect right of appeal from city

PER DIEM, from page 1

what the per diem rates will be. The council will consider the rates once the changes are approved, said Deputy City Attorney Adam Radinsky with the consumer protection, fair housing and public rights unit.

Under the proposed changes, landlords will also be allowed to appeal the awarding of benefits and will no longer be forced to pay if a tenant is found to be entirely or primarily responsible for causing the damages that prompted the relocation in the first place.

While state law limits relocation payments to two months, plus the cost of deposits for a new unit, the changes being considered by the council do not include a time limit. This was done out of fear that landlords would delay making repairs to force rent-controlled tenants to give up and

move out.

The city of Berkeley, for example, has a three-month cap. West Hollywood has a six-month cap.

"I think this will provide clarity, because a lot of questions we get are how much the owner actually has to pay and what is considered a reasonable hotel," said Tracy Condon, a spokesperson for the Rent Control Board, which handles disputes between tenants and landlords over rent increases and decreases, overcharges and amenities.

If relocation is under 30 days, a landlord currently must set a tenant up in a hotel. In the past, there have been disputes over what type of hotel a landlord must provide.

"There is always room for dispute on what the amount should be, what type of hotel should it be," Condon said. "With this (change), we will be able to provide better

answers to the owner and the tenant. It doesn't have to be a fancy hotel, but it has to be reasonable."

The changes proposed state: "If a tenant will be displaced for a period of less than 30 days, the tenant shall be entitled to relocate to a motel or hotel ... which is safe, sanitary, located in Santa Monica and contains standard amenities such as a telephone."

If the relocation is for longer than 30 days, the temporary housing must be rental housing and be comparable in size to the tenant's existing unit, include the same number of bedrooms, be in close proximity to services such as hospitals and schools, and allow for any pets the tenant owns.

While the landlord pays all costs associated with the temporary housing, the tenant is still required to pay the landlord rent for the existing unit under repair.

Carl Lambert, president of the Action Apartment Association, which represents property owners in Santa Monica, did not seem pleased when asked about the changes.

"It is baffling to me why the council would put more of a burden on the backs of landlords that are suffering under rent control," Lambert said. "This is going to push more landlords out of business when they get to the critical point where their buildings have to be remodeled ... I understand having to pay for a hotel and little bit of a per diem, but everybody eats out in this day and age and life goes on."

"Why should we be forced to completely pay for and support a tenant's lifestyle just because we are trying to improve their residence?"

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Josh Lowell SPECIAL TO THE DAILY PRESS

CHALK IT UP: A climber featured in 'Dosage' keeps a grip. John Adams Middle School will play host to a climbing film festival.

Getting their piece of the rock

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the southern tip of South America to the Karakoram ranges in Pakistan.

The extreme sport enthusiast is featured in the documentary "First Ascent," which chronicles the experience and psychological battle that rock climbers experience when they venture into unknown territory. It is one of two feature length films being shown Wednesday at John Adams Middle School during the "Reel Rock Film Tour."

One of the largest adventure sport documentary film tours in the country, the first Reel Rock tour kicked off in September with simultaneous premieres in different locations in Colorado. It will have traveled to about 60 cities in the United States and Canada before it wraps up the North American leg of its tour next month.

The tour features films produced by two well-known rock climbing documentary filmmakers -- Peter Mortimer, who created "First Ascent," and Josh Lowell, who directed "Dosage: Volume IV."

The event is expected to find an audience not only in Santa Monica, but throughout Southern California, which has some of the best rock climbing locations in the world, according to Mortimer, who called Santa Monica home for five years.

"There are definitely a lot of climbers in Southern California and a lot of famous climbers have come from this area," Mortimer said. "It's neat to come to an area where there is established climbing and outdoor communities for people to get together."

Mortimer said some of the more popular rock climbing locations include Joshua Tree, Rockreation Sport Climbing Center on LaGrange Avenue and Stony Point out in the San Fernando Valley.

Coordinator Nick Rosen said the film tour makes the genre more accessible to those people who are not typical rock climbing fans.

"Nobody has ever done a rock climbing event like this," Rosen said. "It's the first time anyone has tried to do a big national tour."

Some of the personalities from the two films are sched-

uled to make an appearance at John Adams on Wednesday, including O'Neill and female climber Lisa Rands.

The outdoor gear store Adventure 16, which is sponsoring the event, will raffle off some apparel at the middle school.

"First Ascent" was filmed in locations around the world, from cliffs overlooking oceans in Thailand to the peak of the Himalayas to the Los Angeles skyline -- O'Neill's uncharted territory.

"My first ascent is much more esoteric than the first ascent a lot of other guys were doing because mine took place on buildings and around sculptures," O'Neill said.

Filming and editing took more than a year and a half with a crew of six cinematographers.

"It is something that is often not documented because traditionally in rock climbing and mountaineering movies, a lot of stuff is staged," Mortimer said. "Making this film, we really wanted to capture the actual ascent."

"Dosage Volume IV" is the fourth installment in a series of compilations of short rock climbing films produced throughout the year. The idea came from a web site that showed, or gave a "dose," of a new rock climbing film every month.

"At the end of the year, we compile all of it on DVD and release and call it 'dosage,'" said Lowell, whose father is a cinematographer.

Lowell has been climbing for the past 18 years, since beginning in high school. The outdoor enthusiast fell in love with the sport instantly.

The filmmakers hope their works will inspire others interested in rock climbing to try the sport, and to encourage those who are already active to try something new.

"The difficulty in the challenge in climbing is a pretty universal theme," Lowell said. "When you do succeed, there is a moment of elation."

TICKET INFORMATION

The Reel Rock Film Tour is scheduled to start at 7 p.m. Tickets can be purchased at Adventure 16 at 11161 W Pico Blvd. for \$10. Tickets can also be purchased at the door for \$12.

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Dorie Meek

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Dear Dorie,

I'm a stay-at-home parent with two children under the age of three. I'm interested in delaying the school experience for as long as possible. When am I required to send my children to school? Most of our playgroup friends are entering preschool at age three, this seems awfully early to me. Can I wait until four or five without hurting my children?

Pause on Preschool

Dear Pauser,

Believe it or not, in the state of California, school attendance is not mandated by law until first grade. That translates to six years of age by December 2 of the year they start school. While most parents choose to enroll their child in kindergarten around age 5, you are not legally bound to do so.

Preschool, on the other hand, is a total parent choice. There is mixed research about the benefits of beginning at age three but most educators agree that if the philosophy and curriculum of the school is age-appropriate and developmentally sound, a few half days of preschool each week benefits the child primarily in the social/emotional development domain. By 4, the average preschool experience is five half-days per week and I know many kindergarten teachers that highly recommend at least one year of preschool.

You may also want to look at home-schooling as an option for preschool. If you google, "home schooling for preschoolers," you'll get about two million websites with information! Regardless of your friends' decisions, each child is different and you will ultimately want to address the unique needs of your children and your resources as their first teacher. Good luck.

Dorie

Dorie Meek is director of the Infant & Family Support Program, provided by Saint John's Health Center in partnership with the Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District. Submit questions to meek@smmusd.org.

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GUEST COMMENTARY BY LINDA MILO

Stuck in the middle

Stay 'tuned-in' with pre-teens during some confusing years

I just spoke to a vice principal in a District 2 middle school in Los Angeles whom I'd met while doing research a few months back. We've stayed in touch. He's been employed by the school system for more than 30 years. He told me that in all these years, he has never seen what he's seeing today — the pre-teens' behavior at his school is even stumping him. The kids are talking back to teachers, bullying one another to excess, smoking in secret corners of the school and acting completely out of control. He told me that the basic thing is that "the parents don't have a clue."

Asked what he meant by that, the vice principal said parents, who are currently overburdened and overstressed in their own lives, are not aware of their child's behavior in school or even relating to the changes going on with their pre-teens.

This usually zany, childish and silly behaving group of middle school pre-teens are in the process of changing and transforming their physical and mental states, with each pre-teen reacting in a different way, based on their own personalities and their own experiences. These changes bring with it confusion, emotional mood swings and body changes. The v.p. knows there is a disastrous broken connection between parents and their middle school child, but can't figure out what to do about it.

As we discussed the situation further, I told him that I thought there were three issues necessary to create this connection, and also to create a deeper special relationship between a parent and a child.

First, and most important, is for a parent to take the time and space to communicate with their child. This communication is taking the time to discuss issues regarding drinking, drugs, violence, family guidelines and expected behaviors. This is vital for your child's mental stability and growth. Letting your child know there is zero tolerance for liquor and drug use is a must. Each parent should take his or her child out (every month or so) early in the morning, before school starts, for breakfast and have a heart-to-heart talk. This time for communication is unencumbered by other family members being around and allows both of you to open up to feelings and thoughts that haven't been expressed. If this isn't

possible, then parents should insist that family members share dinner together regularly to discuss what's going on in each person's life.

Second is to provide your pre-teen with a comfortable and nurturing home environment, healthy meals, daily patterns and routines of when to watch TV, do homework, expect chores completed, and allowing your child to experience a good seven to eight hours of sleep each night. A middle school child, who is going through so many changes, needs to have a restful night and wake up ready to face their own stressful day.

Third is for parents to stop themselves from reacting too quickly to what your child tells you. All kids really hate it when their parents "freak out." Remain composed and centered as you talk to your child. Don't react strongly to what your child tells you. Middle school kids are not only exploring new and different outlooks, they are also discovering more about themselves. Remind your child that you've never been a mother/father to a pre-teen before and you need them to realize this, as you may occasionally make a mistake.

Talk with your child, not at your child.

Your middle school child needs to develop a real trust with you as they go through their dramatic developmental changes. You know your child best. Spend time supplying encouragement and nurturing your child needs. When you are "tuned in" to your child and their school life, you are involving yourself with your child's ever-changing life and ensuring parental success. You'll have a better insight into your child's world when you become involved with his school's staff, his evolving educational requirements, and his close friends.

It's time for parents to hike up their bootstraps and plant both feet on the floor in becoming a stronger model for their child. Not spending time listening to your child is always a big mistake. Don't forget that your child will one day be a mentor to his or her own child. Become an involved parent that your child can be proud of.

Linda Milo is "The Parent-Child Connection Coach." For more information, visit: <http://www.empoweringparentsnow.com>. To book a free parent coaching session, write linda@empoweringparentsnow.com.



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Humorous stories and a special puppet show at the Ocean Park Library. 2601 Main St., 310-392-3804. FREE!

SAT., OCT. 28

FRANKLIN SCHOOL HALLOWEEN CARNIVAL – 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
Don't miss this super fun annual event which features rides, games, contests, lots of food, live music and other entertainment. Free admission, ticketed rides, games and food. 2400 Montana Ave., 310-828-2814.

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HALLOWEEN PARTY - 9:00 – 11:00 a.m. Santa Monica Pier presents this free interactive concert series for young children. This week's event features dancer, choreographer and entertainer Angelina "Joy" Emanuele who brings her music-driven show "The Joy House" to the pier. Come in costume for the parade! Santa Monica Pier, www.santamonicapier.org.

PUMPKINS & PANCAKES – 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Enjoy a pancake breakfast from 10am – noon, followed by pumpkin decorating with the Children's Museum of LA. Santa Monica Place, Center Court, 3rd & Broadway, 310-394-4049, www.santamonicaplace.com.

SAT. & SUN., SEPT. 30 – OCT. 29 – 12:30 & 3:00 p.m.

"ABSOLUTELY HALLOWEEN" at the Santa Monica Playhouse.
The heartwarming tale of a sweet, young girl named Candy who learns some surprising lessons about life, love, laughter and sugar from an intriguing cast of characters as they try to save Halloween. 1211 4th St., 310-394-9779 for reservations, \$10.50 ages 12 and under, \$12.50 adults.

MON., OCT. 30

SPOOKY STORIES & CRAFTS – 4:00 p.m.
Gentle Halloween fun for ages 4 and up at the Fairview Branch Library, 2101 Ocean Park Blvd., 310-450-0443.

TUES., OCT 31 – HAPPY HALLOWEEN!

PALLOVEEN CARNIVAL – 5:00 – 9:00 p.m.
This awesome event is presented by the SM Police Activities League and features fun and games, music, booths, trick-or-treating, costume contest and food. For youth and their families, FREE admission, ticketed activities and food. Barker Hangar, 3021 Airport Ave., 310-458-8988.

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TUESDAY

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

Storytelling and Library Programs

Main Library – 601 Santa Monica Blvd. – 458-8621

Baby Time – 10:15 & 10:45 a.m., babies up to 2 years, next session starts Oct. 31. Spanish and Bilingual Stories – 11:20 a.m. Ages 2 – 5.

Fairview Branch Library – 2101 Ocean Park Blvd – 450-0443.

Toddler Story Time in Spanish – 10:00 a.m., ages 2-3, next session starts Oct. 31.

Baby Time – 11:00 a.m., babies to age 2, next session starts Oct. 31.

Twilight Story Time -7pm – an ongoing program for 3-5 year olds.

Montana Avenue Branch Library – 1704 Montana Ave – 829-7081.

Family Story Time – 7:00 p.m., all ages.

10/24 & 11/21 – Terrific Tuesdays – 3:30 p.m. Stories and crafts for K-2nd graders.

Ocean Park Branch Library – 2601 Main St. – 392-8304

Story Time for Twos – 10:00 and 10:30 a.m.

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

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YWCA – A Place for Parents –Toddler & Me Class - 9:15 - 10:15 a.m. – 12 to 36 months; Infant & Me Class – 10:45 – 11:45 a.m. and 1:30 – 2:30 p.m., 0 – 12 months; 2019 14th St. Call 452-3881for details and prices.

BREAKTHROUGH PARENTING CLASSES –

7:00 – 9:30 p.m.

An advanced 10-week parent education course. Continuous enrollment. For info call Jayne A. Major, Ph.D., Breakthrough Parenting Services, Inc., 310-823-7846, jm@BPinAction.org.

Yoga & Exercise

Exhale Center for Sacred Movement, 245 S. Main St., Venice. Pre/Post Natal – 11:25 a.m. 12:50 p.m. 450-7676, exhalespa.com. Single class \$17, package of ten \$135.

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Mommy Care – at the Dance Factory, 11606 San Vicente Blvd., Brentwood, 310-394-6711. Combined Pregnancy/Recovery Exercise Group – 7:00 – 8:00 p.m.. (babies welcome, includes baby massage and work-out at the end)

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Storytelling and Library Programs

The Talking Stick Coffee Lounge – 1630 Ocean Park Blvd., 450-6052

10:30 a.m. Free story time for moms and kids ages 0-4 at this neighborhood coffee shop.

Fairview Branch Library – 2101 Ocean Park Blvd – 310-450-0443.

Next session starts Nov. 1 for both

Story Time for Twos – 9:30 a.m.

Preschool Story Time – 10:30 a.m.; ages 3-5.

Montana Avenue Branch Library – 1704 Montana Ave – 310-829-7081.

Baby Time - 10:15 & 11:15 a.m., ages 0-2, next session starts Nov. 1.

Ocean Park Branch Library – 2601 Main St. – 392-8304.

Preschool Twilight Story Time – 7:00 p.m. Parents/children ages 3-5.

Main Library – 601 Santa Monica Blvd. - 310-458-8621

10/25 & 11/29 - Creative Kids' Club – 3:30 p.m. – Stories and crafts for K-2nd graders.

Barnes and Noble, Westside Pavilion – 2 pm – ages 2-5 – 310-475-4144

Border's, Westwood – 11a.m. – 310-475-3444.

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Sweeping up Skid Row

BY ANDREW GLAZER
Associated Press Writer

LOS ANGELES — The early morning light is just bright enough to reveal the no loitering sign and the half-dozen people sleeping beneath it in tents on the Skid Row sidewalk.

A few bony men scatter as a police cruiser rolls up. Not Glenda Caldwell. She isn't stirring from beneath her filthy blankets sprawled beside a shopping cart filled with crumpled cans and paper.

In the past, police might not care. Plenty worse happens in a neighborhood that for decades has been virtually surrendered to crime, grime and vagrancy but now sits on the fringe of an attempted downtown revival.

Starting this month, however, a beefed-up force is arresting people who violate a daytime sidewalk sleeping ban that critics deride as overzealous and Chief William Bratton insists is a way to salvation for Skid Row. It's the same kind of bust-small-crimes approach he used to control crime in New York City more than a decade ago.

"Where do you want me to pack up and go? To hell?" Caldwell bellows at the two officers and their sergeant. She shouts that she is mentally ill, that her father raped her when she was nine and killed her mother.

As Caldwell grows louder and angrier, backup arrives. Now five strong, the officers manage to calm and cuff her, promising a meeting with one of the counselors permanently planted in the booking room who could get her clean and in a shelter.

That takes nearly an hour. The officers spend the next two hours filling out paperwork. It is time-consuming work with plenty more to be done. Several thousand homeless live in the 50-square-block area near downtown. By the end of this day, police arrest about 10 they say have broken the loitering law.

Enforcing the sidewalk-sleeping ordinance is a stark change for a neighborhood where police traditionally have tried to contain crime from spreading, not stop it. The ordinance is considered one of the most restrictive in the nation and has drawn fire from homeless advocates and their allies.

"L.A. remains the only city in the U.S. whose answer to homelessness is to criminalize being poor," said Mark Rosenbaum, a lawyer with the American Civil Liberties Union, which has sued to stop the city from enforcing the ordinance. "A program that relies on criminalization isn't going to solve any of the social problems."

More than 200 of the nation's 250 largest cities have ordinances prohibiting sidewalk sleeping, sitting and loitering,

according to a study by the National Coalition for the Homeless. How much these ordinances are enforced can vary day to day, and the group's acting executive director, Michael Stoops, said he'd never heard of another city enforcing a no camping ordinance during the day, but not at night.

The Los Angeles policy highlights intractable issues within the city's largest concentration of addicts, mentally ill and homeless — a population that needs but doesn't always want specialized care.

With 50 new foot patrol officers redeployed to Skid Row, Bratton's Safer City Initiative attempts to apply his "broken window" approach to improving an area he calls the worst open-air drug market in the country. By enforcing minor crimes, police will erode a long-accepted feeling of lawlessness, he said. Police arrested about 600 people for drug selling in the first week of the initiative.

"We're not here to cure homelessness," said Police Capt. Andrew Smith, who is based in Skid Row. "We're here to ... end what some call a Mardi Gras of crack here, where it's almost a free zone of dope and prostitution and aggravated assaults."

Homeless rights groups and the ACLU, which sued the city in 2003, decry the policy of moving homeless from sidewalks as mean-spirited. A federal appeals court sided with the ACLU in April, classifying enforcement of the ordinance as a violation of the Eighth Amendment that bars cruel and unusual punishment as long as there are not enough beds in homeless shelters.

City officials vowed to fight the ruling until it reached the U.S. Supreme Court. Settlement talks followed and Bratton and others signed off on a proposed agreement that would have allowed overnight sidewalk sleeping but prohibit it during the day and within 10 feet of a business or residential entrance at all times.

The City Council rejected the settlement last month, fearing it was too sweeping and would let the ACLU make similar arguments elsewhere in the city.

Police enforcing the no-sleeping ordinance say there are some 100 beds available in Skid Row on any given night, but addicts prefer to be close to suppliers.

While on dawn patrol of the neighborhood, Sgt. Tim Shaw handed out cards with shelter information to people lying on the sidewalks. Several said they had searched and failed to find space in shelters — or weren't interested for reasons including limited space for belongings.

Shaw said a program diverting nonviolent arrestees into treatment for mental illness or addiction is a success, even though only about 14 of every 100 follow through.

Hard to angle for challenger Angelides

BY LAURA KURTZMAN
Associated Press Writer

SACRAMENTO — State Treasurer Phil Angelides is entering the final two weeks of the governor's race with members of his own party complaining he has not given a clear reason why voters should dump Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger and elect a Democrat.

In a sign of a campaign in distress, the treasurer has cycled through one tired message after another, from saving education to promoting the middle class to denouncing the governor as a Bush crony. This week, Angelides began dredging up the governor's messy past, including his troubles with women.

But neither Angelides' positive arguments that he would be a better leader, nor his negative ones that Schwarzenegger has failed, have done him much good. Since he introduced himself to voters in the spring, Angelides' support in polls has dwindled.

Schwarzenegger, meanwhile, has dominated the news for months with official actions that have reshaped his image, while his political operation has turned Angelides' arguments on their head.

If the ultimate task of a political campaign is to give its candidate a winning message — or failing that, to destroy its opponent's — Schwarzenegger's campaign has done both, while Angelides has done neither.

A great deal has gone against Angelides this year, beginning with the tax windfall that enabled Schwarzenegger to placate the powerful state teachers union that brought him low the year before. The money reduced pressure to solve the state's budget problems, sparing Schwarzenegger from hav-

ing to make unpopular cuts.

But the challenger's biggest problem has been Schwarzenegger's success in redefining himself from the ineffectual and highly partisan Republican that voters saw at the beginning of the year to an independent-minded leader willing to cut deals with Democrats.

"There's a real thirst in California for bipartisan cooperation," said Bruce Cain, director of the University of California, Berkeley, Institute for Governmental Affairs. "And people are willing to grab it, even from someone who's a little bit daffy."

Schwarzenegger's success has been galling to Democrats who believe there were ample opportunities for Angelides to capitalize on the governor's weaknesses by reminding them of what they did not like about the Schwarzenegger of 2005.

"If a clear choice was presented, I don't think they would have bought four more years like the last three," said Larry Grisolano, a Los Angeles-based, Democratic campaign consultant for two decades. "That's what people need to hear in order to understand the story and who they need to vote for."

Noting that Schwarzenegger's support in public opinion surveys remained stuck in the mid-40s through the summer, he said the public was less sold on the governor's election-year changes than the "chattering class" that chronicled it.

Except for the weekly San Francisco Bay Guardian, every English-language newspaper that has offered an opinion has endorsed the governor.

On Sunday, La Opinion, the leading Spanish-language daily newspaper in the United States, endorsed Angelides and blasted Schwarzenegger for policies that "foster resentment against undocumented immigrants, feeding negative passions."

California engineer fights for freedom and democracy in communist Vietnam

BY TERENCE CHEA
Associated Press Writer

SAN JOSE, Calif. — For years, Cong Thanh Do waged his battle for democracy in Vietnam on a laptop computer in his quiet suburban home, thousands of miles from the country he fled a quarter-century ago.

No one — not even his wife or three kids — knew the soft-spoken Silicon Valley engineer had founded an underground political party, advocated for jailed dissidents or penned dozens of pro-democracy essays — all under the pseudonym "Tran Nam."

Do's secret life as a freedom fighter was revealed to his family and the world when he was arrested while vacationing in Vietnam and accused of plotting against the communist government. He spent more than five weeks in detention, staging a 38-day hunger strike while a slew of American politicians and activists demanded his release, before he was deported to the United States last month.

Though Do, 47, says he prefers working behind the scenes, since returning to California he has embraced his new celebrity to advance his cause: bringing democracy and political freedom to Vietnam. He said his imprisonment illustrates why the country's one-party system needs to change.

"The government lets you have freedom in the stomach, but they control your ideas," Do said during an interview in his modest house in San Jose. "As long as you accept the rules, it's OK. But if you want to stand up for your rights, you're going to be in trouble."

The Vietnamese Embassy in Washington, D.C., did not respond to calls seeking comment on Do's case.

Do's wife and children said they never suspected their husband and father had led a double life. Over the past five years, he spent several hours each night typing away at the dining room table. His family thought he was just working on engineering projects or surfing the Web.

"I didn't have any idea," his wife, Tien Jane Dobui, 43, said, sitting next to Do in their living room, where jade art pieces, porcelain vases and family photographs decorate the walls and shelves. "I wasn't angry at all. I was just surprised he was so deeply involved in politics."

Do, a naturalized American citizen, said he didn't tell the people closest to him to protect them. He worried that if his identity were uncovered, it would endanger him, his family and the People's Democratic Party, the outlawed political group he co-founded last year to promote free elections and human rights in Vietnam.

"To live a better life, to have freedom and democracy for all, we the people have to stand up," Do wrote in the party manifesto.

Vietnam's fast-growing economy has raised incomes and lifted millions out of poverty in recent years, but critics say the country hasn't done enough to improve its human rights record. Activists hope President Bush will push Hanoi to hasten political liberalization when he visits in November.

Seeing no future in communist Vietnam, Do and Dobui fled in a small boat in 1981 and eventually settled in California, where he studied to be an electrical engineer while working nights as a janitor.

Over the years, he created a comfortable middle-class life for himself and his family, but he never forgot his roots. In the early 1990s, he began working with other Vietnamese refugees to push for political change back home.

"Even though I have lived here so long, part of me is still Vietnamese," Do said. "I want to see the Vietnamese people enjoy what I enjoy here — freedom and democracy."

Four years ago, Do began corresponding by e-mail with political dissidents inside Vietnam and launched the Democracy Club, which provided information on jailed activists to groups such as Amnesty International and Human Rights Watch. Using the Tran Nam alias, he wrote and edited an online newsletter that advocated political freedom and reported the inside workings of the Communist Party.

Do and other club members last year founded the People's Democratic Party, one of numerous political groups calling for regime change and democratic reform in Vietnam.

Stepping out

Actor Cage is bidding adieu to Bel-Air after eight years

NICOLAS CAGE is leaving Bel-Air. The actor has put his home in the tony community on the market for \$35 million. He bought the seven-bedroom, seven-bathroom house for \$7 million eight years ago. The 11,000-square-foot Tudor-style home sits on an acre just above Sunset Boulevard. It has a two-story entrance, a front yard fountain, an Olympic-sized swimming pool and a two-

bedroom guest house. Singer Tom Jones owned the home for 20 years before Cage, and before that it belonged to crooner Dean Martin. The 42-year-old actor won't be lacking for places to stay. He owns other homes in Southern California, and earlier this year bought a castle in Bavaria and a private island in the Bahamas, according to People magazine. Cage won a best actor

Oscar for "Leaving Las Vegas." Earlier this year he played a cop tracking a missing child in "The Wicker Man" and a Port Authority officer in the Oliver Stone film "World Trade Center." ASSOCIATED PRESS

Celebs aren't turned on by gas facility

PIERCE BROSNAN and other celebrities gathered to protest a natural gas facility proposed for a site 14 miles off the Malibu coast. "We have to use our voices and band together and stop this," Halle Berry said Sunday. The gathering — also attended by Cindy Crawford, Jane Seymour, Dick Van Dyke and Tea Leoni — was intended to raise awareness about how the energy industry has invested billions to liquefy and ship natural gas across oceans. There are five facilities proposed for California, with three along the Southern California coastline. One of the world's largest energy companies, Australian-based BHP Billiton, is seeking to build the terminal off the coast of Malibu and Oxnard. A decision is expected next year. BHP officials say the termi-

nals would provide a reliable source of low-polluting energy. Opponents, however, say the terminals would not meet clean air requirements and could be terrorist targets. Brosnan, who hosted the protest, said his opposition to the terminals extends beyond the beach in his backyard. He plans to oppose other proposed terminals, including one in Long Beach and one in Port Hueneme. Following a pancake breakfast, dozens of surfers, including Daryl Hannah on her pink board, paddled out to a sign bobbing in the water. The message to Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger, who has the power to veto the proposal, had a picture of the proposed terminal with a red line through it and the words: "Terminate it!" AP

OPRAH WINFREY was scheduled to tape an interview with Madonna on Tuesday about the pop singer's planned adoption of a 13-month-old boy from the African country of Malawi. The interview is scheduled to air Wednesday on Winfrey's talk show, a spokeswoman for Harpo Productions Inc. said Monday. It will be Madonna's first TV interview about the adoption. Madonna traveled to Malawi on Oct. 4 with her husband, Guy Ritchie. They spent eight days visiting orphanages she is fund-

ing through her charity. The child, David Banda, was taken to London last week after Malawi's High Court granted Madonna and Ritchie an interim adoption order. Madonna, 48, has said she acted according to the law, but the toddler's father, Yohane Banda, said Sunday he didn't realize he was signing away custody of his motherless son "for good." Madonna has two children — daughter Lourdes, 9, and son Rocco, 6. AP

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MOVIEGUIDE

AERO THEATRE
1328 Montana Avenue
(310) 395-4990

Wednesday
Horror of Dracula, Brides of Dracula
7:30

Thursday
The Fearless Vampire Killers, Return of the Vampire
7:30

AMC LOEWS BROADWAY 4
1441 3rd Street
(310) 458-6232

Employee of the Month (PG-13)
4:45

The Grudge 2 (PG-13)
2:20, 4:45, 7:10, 9:45

The Guardian (PG-13)
4:30

The Illusionist (PG-13)
2:00, 7:30, 10:10

Open Season (PG)
2:10, 4:20, 7:00, 9:20

Texas Chainsaw Massacre: The Beginning (R)
2:15, 7:40, 10:00

AMC 7 SANTA MONICA
1310 3rd Street
(310) 289-4262

The Departed (R)
12:10, 1:50, 3:30, 5:00, 7:00, 8:20, 10:30

Flags of Our Fathers (R)
12:40, 2:20, 4:20, 5:30, 7:40, 8:35, 10:25

Flicka (PG)
12:30, 2:45, 5:20, 7:50, 10:10

Marie Antoinette (PG-13)
12:00, 1:40, 2:50, 4:30, 5:40, 7:30, 8:30, 10:40

LANDMARK NUWILSHIRE
1314 Wilshire Blvd
(310) 281-8228

The Last King of Scotland (R)
1:00, 4:00, 7:00, 9:55

The Science of Sleep (R)
1:45, 4:30, 7:15, 10:00

LAEMMLE'S MONICA FOURPLEX
1332 2nd Street
(310) 394-9741

Deliver Us From Evil (NR)
12:00, 2:30, 5:00, 7:30, 10:00

Little Children (R)
12:45, 3:45, 7:00, 10:00

Little Miss Sunshine (R)
12:10, 2:40, 5:10, 7:40, 10:10

Sleeping Dogs Lie (R)
12:00, 2:20, 4:50, 7:20, 9:50

MANN'S CRITERION THEATRE
1313 3rd Street
(310) 395-1599

Infamous (R)
1:00, 4:00, 7:10, 10:00

Jackass: Number Two (R)
12:40, 3:10, 5:30, 8:00, 10:40

Man of the Year (PG-13)
11:30am, 2:10, 4:50, 7:30, 10:20

The Marine (PG-13)
12:30, 3:00, 5:20, 7:50, 10:10

The Prestige (PG-13)
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Tim Burton's The Nightmare Before Christmas in Disney Digital 3D (PG)
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Fill in the blank cells using numbers 1 to 9. Each number can appear only once in each row, column, and 3x3 block. Use logic and process of elimination to solve the puzzle. The difficulty level ranges from Bronze (easiest) to Silver to Gold (hardest).

	2	4	5			9		3
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GETTING STARTED

There are many strategies to solving Sudoku. One way to begin is to examine each 3x3 grid and figure out which numbers are missing. Then, based on the other numbers in the row and column of each blank cell, find which of the missing numbers will work. Eliminating numbers will eventually lead you to the answer.

SOLUTIONS TO LAST PUZZLE

3	1	7	6	2	4	5	8	9
4	9	8	7	5	1	3	6	2
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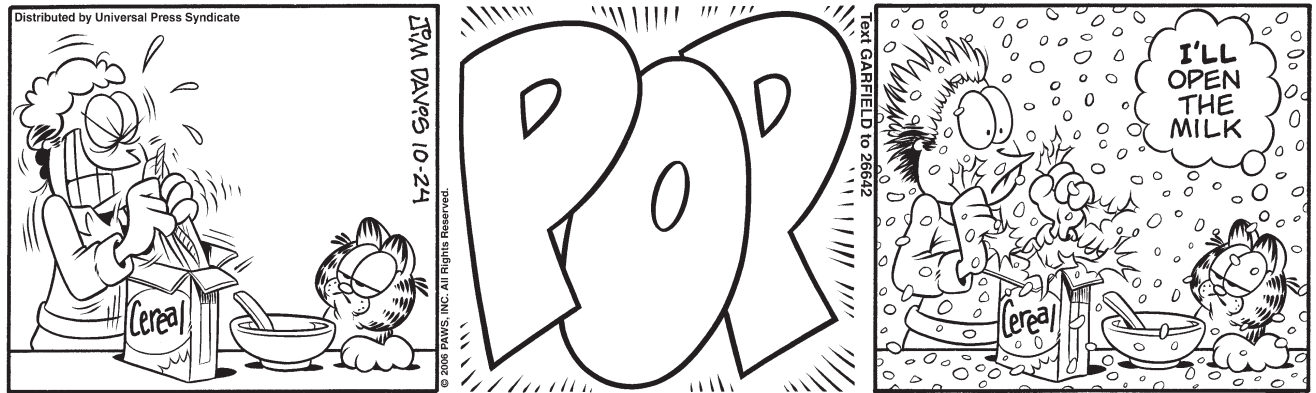
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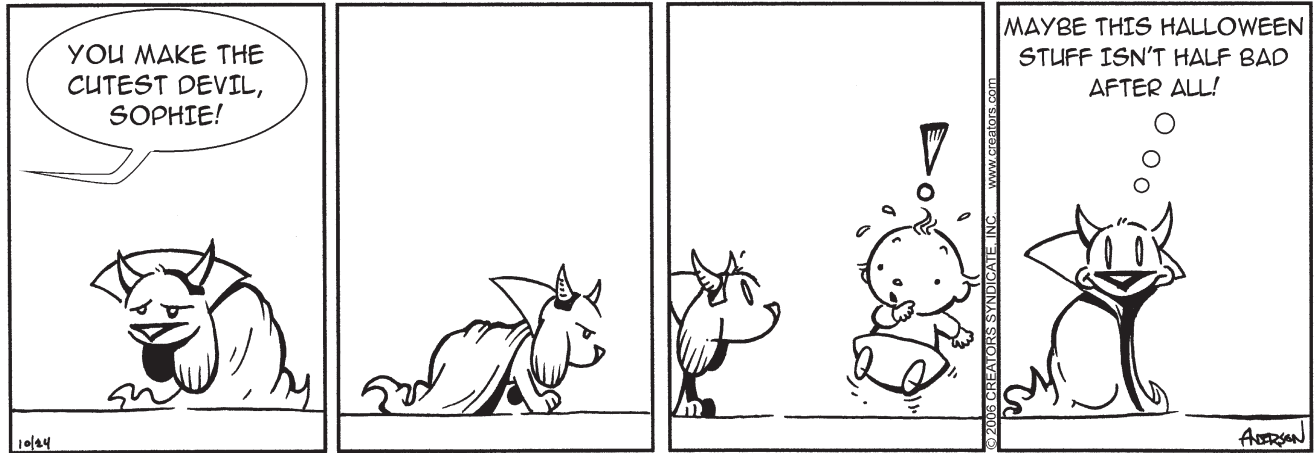
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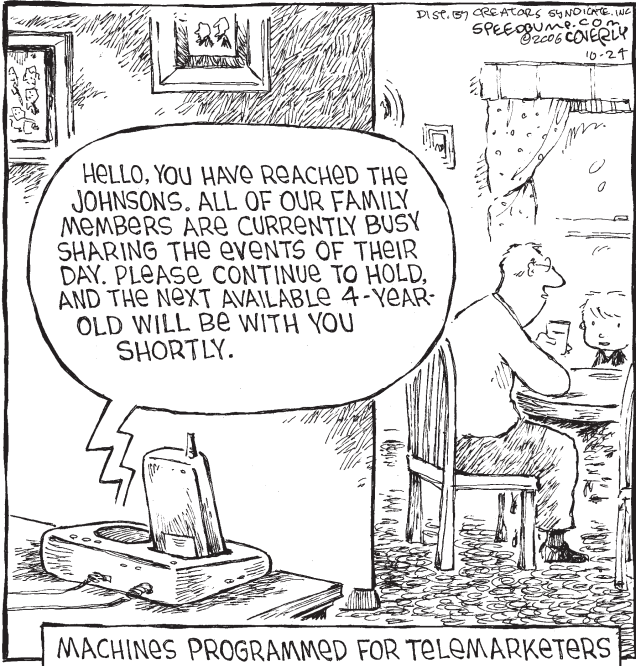
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6 Blazer part
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12 By oneself
13 Popular restaurant roster
15 — Arbor
16 Doctor's bill
17 Chiding sound
18 Gas-pump choice
20 Anger
21 Got together
22 Saloon quaff
23 Applauds
26 Leapers in a Christmas song
27 Top-10 records
28 Boar's mate
29 Colony member
30 Entered a river race
34 Pod veggie
35 Pale
36 Bullring call
37 Group of addresses
40 Choreographer de Mille

- 41 Like Poe tales
42 Hawk homes
43 Condescending look

DOWN

- 1 Fighting
2 Sawyer of news
3 Getting on
4 Favorite
5 Knick-knacks
6 Beer type
7 Everyone
8 Mr. Tibbs's portrayer
9 Guaranteed
10 Some mail
14 Orderly callers
19 Strike
22 Cereal holder
23 Johnny Appleseed's real name
24 Ancestry
25 Gets
26 Hotel areas

- 28 Checkout act
30 Cheese choice
31 River through Nantes
32 Commercial cow
33 Hamper
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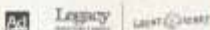


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