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NEWS OF THE WEIRD
BY CHUCK SHEPARD

LEAST COMPETENT ANTI-ABORTION ACTIVIST: David Robert McMenemy, 45, was arrested in Davenport, Iowa, in September after he drove his car into a women's clinic and then set it on fire to protest abortions. He was then informed that it is just a medical clinic, providing neither abortions nor abortion referrals.

LEAST COMPETENT DRUG AGENTS: Just after federal and local narcotics agents cut down and bundled for destruction massive quantities of marijuana plants at a site in California's Marin County in September, officials reported that, despite security, 1,200 of the plants had been stolen before they could be taken away.

TODAY IN HISTORY

Today is the 313th day of 2006.
There are 52 days left in the year.

1965 The great Northeast blackout occurred as a series of power failures lasting up to 13.5 hours left 30 million people in seven states and two Canadian provinces without electricity.

1986 Israel revealed it was holding Mordechai Vanunu, a former nuclear technician who'd vanished after providing information to a British newspaper about Israel's nuclear weapons program. (Vanunu was convicted of treason and served 18 years in prison.)

QUOTE OF THE DAY

"Half the world is composed of people who have something to say and can't, and the other half who have nothing to say and keep on saying it."

ROBERT FROST
AMERICAN POET (1874-1963)

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ELECTION2006

Challengers were swept under the rug

BY KEVIN HERRERA
Daily Press Staff Writer

CITYWIDE — The makeup of the City Council will remain the same, at least for another two years, as all three incumbents were re-elected Tuesday night.

Kevin McKeown came out on top with 12,033 votes, followed by Pam O'Connor with 11,374 votes, and Bob Holbrook with 11,142 votes, according to county election officials.

Planning Commissioner Terry O'Day, making his first run for the council, made an impressive showing, coming in fourth with 9,927 votes. He was followed by newcomer Gleam Davis, an education advocate who pulled in 8,162 votes.

Event planner Jenna Linnekens, who also made her first run for council, came in sixth with 2,578 votes. Entertainment consultant Terence Later finished seventh (2,217 votes), followed by real estate agent Mark McLellan (1,861 votes), homeless advocate Linda Armstrong (1,532 votes) and flight attendant Jonathan Mann (1,369 votes).

While the results will not be finalized until Dec. 5, as the Los Angeles County Registrar/Recorder continues to count absentee and provisional ballots, political pundits do not expect any dramatic changes.

For McKeown, the victory was monumental given the fact that he received more votes than any other candidate despite a heavily-financed campaign by the hospitality industry to remove him from office.

The Beverly Hills-based Edward Thomas Management Company, operators of Shuttles on the Beach and the Casa del Mar Hotel, spent nearly \$400,000 on a combination of negative campaign ads that blasted McKeown and mailers supporting Holbrook and O'Day.

McKeown said he will use the next four years to get a comprehensive, campaign finance reform package passed to lessen the influence of

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Complete race results

Challengers' next moves

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A new chief in town

TOP COP: Long Beach vet gets nod

BY KEVIN HERRERA
Daily Press Staff Writer

CITY HALL — City Manager Lamont Ewell has hired a 23-year-veteran of the Long Beach Police Department to become the city's next top cop.

Timothy Jackman, currently the second in command in Long Beach, will take charge of the Santa Monica Police Department on Dec. 11. He will receive a salary of \$178,000 a

year, city officials said on Wednesday.

Jackman, 47, will take over for former Chief James Butts Jr., who left the SMPD in August after serving 15 years at the helm, during which time he added more minorities to the force, introduced officers to the latest crime-fighting technology and oversaw a drop in crime to the lowest level in 50 years.

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TIMOTHY JACKMAN

Till they meet again

Fabian Lewkowicz [fabianl@smdp.com](#)
Tanzanian acrobats from 'Tunahaki' entertain the students at Crossroads School this week amid their tour of the U.S.

House divided: Step Up turned down

BY KEVIN HERRERA
Daily Press Staff Writer

OCEAN PARK — The organization behind a plan to house young men and women with mental disorders in a triplex near John Adams Middle

School will have to go back to the drawing board, after being denied a \$450,000 loan by City Hall.

Tod Lipka, executive director of the mental health provider Step Up on Second, said Wednesday that the nonprofit pulled out of a deal to

purchase the property at 1826 Pearl St. because of the inability to secure a loan from City Hall. All of the additional funding for the project, expected to cost just under \$2 mil-

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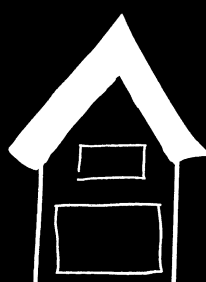
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ARIES (March 21-April 19)
★★★★ If you are willing not to be the lead player, events will proceed with comfort and ease. Your priorities will make a difference, especially to one key individual in your life. Your fire and energy add to each developing situation today. Tonight: Snuggle in.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
★★★★ Your take-charge attitude comes out. If nothing else, this new style pleases you. A financial matter can now be resolved with greater moneymaking potential. Understanding keeps you centered and others happy. Tonight: A force to be dealt with.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
★★★★ You will want to say what you think, and for the most part, others are ready to hear it. Perhaps the only clincher is that others also want the same reception, if not more, from you. Are you ready to give it? Tonight: Happy nearly anywhere, if you have company.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
★★★★ You see the high road and not all the other sometimes painful alternatives. You might not realize how lucky you are to have so much innate understanding. Look around. Others might need a nudge or two. Tonight: Easy does it.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
★★★★ You might be going overboard or being excessive, be it spending, eating or some other indulgence. Knowing what you want makes a difference. You will want to understand where an associate is coming from. Ask and listen. Tonight: Rein yourself in.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
★★★★ Work with individuals in an effort to reveal your true intent. Share more of yourself than you have in the past. You might be amazed by the response you'll get. Consider options more carefully than in the past. Tonight: Togetherness counts.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)
★★★★ All signs have days that are close to perfect. This one is just that. Think in terms of expressing your authenticity and personality. Rethinking a decision might be important and certainly is not out of the question. Tonight: All smiles.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
★★★ Take your time making plans. In fact, decide that it is OK to make no plans if that is what makes you comfortable. You need to take care of yourself first. Tonight: Happy as can be.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
★★★★ Sometimes you could find it difficult to cover all your bases simultaneously. Don't drive yourself wild. Understand that you aren't the only one in the same situation. Listen to what some feel might be overly dramatic. Tonight: Where the crowds are.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
★★★★ Accept others as they are, and you'll be on the path to success and happiness. Sometimes the Goat gets a touch critical or angry. Don't bother. Know what you want and where you are heading. Tonight: Go along with someone else's plans.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
★★★★ Sometimes you might feel overwhelmed by what is happening in your life. You might want to listen to someone's suggestion. Focus on getting one project done at time. Please do not scatter. Tonight: Find your favorite chair.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
★★★★ You are happy no matter which way you go and no matter what happens. You see situations from a much more innovative perspective. Use some of this insight to make life more fulfilling for you and those around you. Tonight: Fun and games.

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Pressing her luck

Santa Monica Police Explorer Alexsya Cornejo 15, does 12 pushups during a weekly inspection in front of City Hall. Police Explorers assist sworn police officers by performing non-hazardous duties such as assisting in crime-reduction campaigns, evidence searches and civic events.

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STATE
LA Times forces out editor amid cutbacks

BY GARY GENTILE
AP Business Writer

LOS ANGELES — Los Angeles Times editor Dean Baquet was forced to resign Tuesday in a power struggle with parent company Tribune Co. over budget cuts at the newspaper.
Baquet's resignation comes just a month after former publisher Jeff Johnson also was forced to step down. In a rare public display

of defiance, the two news executives had refused to agree to further budget cuts at the Times, saying they would damage the quality of the paper.
The cuts were mandated by Tribune as it struggles with a declining stock price and slumping circulation at all its newspapers. Tribune also is in the midst of considering a sale of all or parts of the company, including the Times.

Baquet will be replaced Monday by James O'Shea, the managing editor of the Chicago Tribune, the newspaper said. O'Shea will be reunited with David Hiller, who took over for Johnson after serving as publisher at the Tribune.
Hiller told the Times staff Tuesday that Baquet's departure came after the two could not agree about the future of the paper.

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Left out? Well, join the club!

BY MELODY HANATANI
Daily Press Staff Writer

SAMOHI — The Simple Minds weren't playing their hit song "Don't You (Forget About Me)." There was no kleptomaniac shaking dandruff out of her hair, nor a rebel and rich girl tongue wrestling in the janitor's closet.
The Santa Monica High School version of The Breakfast Club is a far cry from the movie, in which five high school students — all from different walks of life — befriend one another during Saturday detention.
The Breakfast Club at Samohi is about just that — breakfast, though its meetings are held during lunchtime every Wednesday, not detention, and not in the morning.
It's a gathering of students who have a passion for breakfast and good company, and of course, the John Hughes film.
Santa Monica High School is home to around 90 student clubs that range from the usual local chapters of national organizations, like the Key Club; to ethnic groups, like the Muslim Student Association; to the quirky, like the South Park Club.
It's Wednesday and lunchtime officially begins. Club founder and Junior Alec Richker starts the meeting and asks for another member to second the motion.
"I second the motion," one student says. "Also, please pass me a bowl."

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MORNING GLORY: Junior Ananya Kepper and fellow Breakfast Club members wax philosophical on all things cereal and Molly Ringwald.

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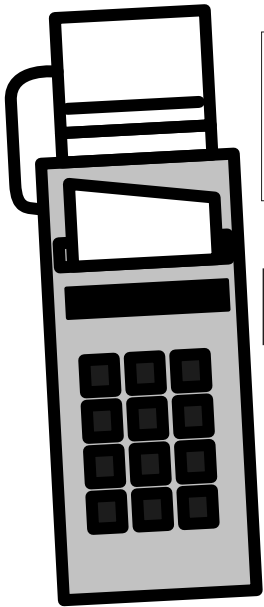


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EDITORIAL

These are the good ol' days

This just in: Life is good.

That smell residents may have gotten a whiff of this week wasn't the Proposition Y after-party, but the air of complacency. Like the old Palmolive dish soap commercial used to state: "You're soaking in it."

For all the campaign rhetoric over the past several months; for all the money spent on what had become a surprisingly aggressive, and oftentimes nasty little campaign; for all the vitriol thrown at candidates from both voters and one another, residents decided in the end that things, well, just aren't so bad.

Just one incumbent — the school board's Shane McCloud — was bounced from office amid Tuesday's elections, and that's also including races for City Council, the Santa Monica College Board of Trustees and the Rent Control Board. And it wasn't for a lack of competition. In the council race alone, newcomers such as Terry O'Day, Gleam Davis and Jenna Linnekens would seem to have a future place of prominence in city government ... just not now.

With each of those candidates sent back to get a bit more seasoning, voters decided the old guard is just all right by them.

And while it would be tempting to attribute the incumbent sweep to name familiarity and voter apathy, the handful of measures on this year's ballot prove quite telling about constituent wants and needs:

More taxes to clean the city's beaches and water? Check.

More taxes to repair school infrastructure? Check.

More accountability for department heads? Check.

Easing restrictions placed on elected officials to guard against corruption? Nuh-uh.

There is an old colloquialism that states: If you always do what you always did, then you'll always have what you always had. Maybe in Santa Monica, where the sun shines year-round, where individual expression is embraced, and where most complaints derive from a want of others to live and work here too, then the same ol', same ol' isn't such a bad thing.

Indeed, things here can be so chill that we enact legislation to allow us to get our ganja on.

Well, smoke it if you got it, Santa Monicans.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Getting down with business

Editor:

During the past several weeks of the local election campaign, I have observed the accusations and political propaganda surrounding the city council race with scrutiny. I feel that it is time that someone attempts to refresh the portrayal of the situation.

Why were the entrepreneurs in our community being attacked by Santa Monicans for Renters Rights and the Kevin McKeown campaign? The opportunity to pursue business ventures is what this country was founded on. Last time I checked, we don't live in a socialist society. Why does Kevin McKeown continue to scare residents about building another "Miami Beach" when he knows full well, as a councilmember, that there is a prohibition on building future hotels on our beaches?

These individuals in "big business" are often the grease on the wheels for the functioning of our society. With their financial success, they contribute to the improvement of our community. For example, the hospitality industry in Santa Monica donated thousands and thousands of dollars to organizations such as the Committee for Excellence in Education to help our schools. Even their personal interest to maintain an environment conducive to tourism often translates into community-wide benefits, such as with beach and park maintenance. Furthermore, the countless taxes that their economic gains are subject to augment the city budget with millions of dollars per year which funds the improvement of our education system, city maintenance and the police and fire departments. When the economy thrives in a community, the quality of life rises in benefit of everyone.

It is my wish that McKeown would no longer ignore all that businesses do to better our community and acknowledge the benefits that they enjoy thanks to the commerce in Santa Monica. Our focus should be on the candidates' stances on the issues themselves — these project the future of Santa Monica.

Bob Hattoy

Former Sierra Club Regional Director and Clinton Environmental Advisor

Republicans reap what they sow

Editor:

The Republicans in the congressional races achieved the result of this election the old fashioned way — they earned it.

After 12 years of GOP dominance in the House, Newt Gingrich's "Contract with America" was reduced to nothing more than an ineffectual display of the arrogance of power.

Such will be the legacy of their cheerleader-in-chief, George W. Bush, as well, though his, unfortunately, will be written in the blood of our soldiers.

David Stoughton
Santa Monica

Commute conundrum



ICONOCLAST BLAST

BY SETH BARNES

Los Angeles isn't a bicycling paradise. Acres of sprawl, miles of concrete hardtop, and occasional choking smog don't lend themselves to adventures on two wheels.

My own biking history hardly had an auspicious beginning. Riding on training wheels next to my parents on a narrow bike path lined on either side by poison ivy, I suddenly declared "I'm going to fall!!" To which my optimistic mother replied, "No, you're fine." Of course, I immediately plunged into the bushes and two weeks of head-to-toe poison ivy misery. Hey, maybe I'm clairvoyant.

These cycling negatives aside, I think we all agree that nothing beats a good clean bike ride. With the wind in your face and your heart pumping, it's the one time most people get to temporarily escape the clutches of gravity. And if you own or rent one of those snazzy California beach cruisers that are so common in Santa Monica, you can pretend you're a modern day Mary Poppins. And what beats that?

But recently, I entered into a biking dilemma that I still haven't figured out. Six months ago, I started a new job. Our offices are a mere two miles from my house. I could clock a golf ball to my office with a couple of solid 3-woods. I officially have one of the easiest commutes in the Los Angeles Basin. So easy, that for the good of the environment and my own health, I clearly should ride my bike to work.

On top of all this, my company offers a commuting discount where they'll pay me the monthly parking fee. So what's the dilemma you ask?

I'm unwaveringly stubborn and selfish. That's all.

You see, despite the many incentives for riding my bike to work, all I can think of are the incremental inconveniences that I'd rather not deal with. When I began the job, I wanted to be as punctual as possible in the morning, and for me, work starts a bit earlier than most people. But now, as I enter my sixth month of employment, it's clear that I could Lance Armstrong my way down

Olympic Boulevard in plenty of time to meet my work commitments.

There's also the issue of riding down Olympic Boulevard. We're not exactly talking about the Champs-Élysées here. And outside of the scenery, it doesn't strike me as the most biker-friendly thoroughfare. Of course, I could spin down 11th Street (where there's a bike lane) to Colorado as an acceptable alternative. But still, in my mind, there's just something icky and a wee bit repulsive about riding on the surface streets of Santa Monica at commute time. In a few test runs, done on the weekend naturally, I always feel like I'm a wild steer about to be lassoed by a speeding BMW.

Finally, there's the issue of getting all hot, sweaty and bothered as you peddle yourself into a frenzy before the workday has even commenced. Look, I know you can't compare it to ascending the Pyrenees in the final stages of the Tour de France, but I have my vanity to look after, right?

As I hemmed and hawed over whether to take the bike-to-work plunge, the nifty little excuse of daylight savings sauntered into the picture. I can't be expected to bike home in the thick, unrelenting darkness!! I know, I know ... modern technology has provided battery-powered headlamps, reflective vests and such, but growing up we didn't have these, and I was expressly prohibited from riding my bike after dark (see poison ivy incident above).

When it comes to conserving our natural resources and taking care of the environment, I tend not to fall in the activist camp. Weaning ourselves off our petroleum and energy "addiction" is an important task, but I don't think it's realistic to ask people to go totally green unless doing so provides a notable benefit or improvement compared to their current situation. I'm not saying that's the right attitude. It's the practical one. Human behavior flows towards efficiency and maximum personal benefit. That's our nature.

And while preserving the planet we live on is certainly in all our best interests, it lacks the immediacy of getting to work on time each day. Again, I always prefer to trade in honesty as opposed to idealism.

But I also know I should probably just ride the damn bike to the office.

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GUEST COMMENTARY BY VICTOR KAMBER

Why not 'Speaker Pelosi?'

Perhaps I'm missing something here, but should the Republican Party have been in such a tizzy about "saving" the country from Democratic minority leader Nancy Pelosi?

Nancy, after all, is a very attractive, polite (even former House majority leader Dick Armey says so), politically-savvy 66-year-old grandmother who for 10 terms has represented a San Francisco Congressional district where they consider her a national treasure ... though too conservative.

How can any change not be an improvement for this do-nothing GOP-controlled Congress that has an embarrassing 13 percent approval rating?

Is this not an institution on cruise control for rehab or Leavenworth? Is this not the Congress that debated gay marriage and flag burning at a time when American families were losing their jobs, pensions and health benefits?

Is this not the Congress of Duke Cunningham and Bob Ney, one in jail and one packing to go there? Is this not the House where former majority leader Tom DeLay and four of his top aides were indicted for money-laundering?

Is this not the House where the current speaker is under attack by his own party for covering up a sex scandal?

Majority Whip Roy Blunt of Missouri calls the prospect of Pelosi becoming speaker "just plain scary" and, horror or horrors, warns us that with her in charge, Democrats just might establish a "Department of Peace." Apparently, the very thought of peace breaking out is enough to galvanize the GOP base.

Senate Majority Leader Bill Frist claimed Pelosi will "compromise 100 percent of our National Security."

Accustomed to such GOP taunts, Pelosi responds that a woman would be tougher on defense than her male colleagues.

"Think of a lioness," she said. "You come anywhere near our cubs, you're dead."

At a time when a "culture of corruption" has engulfed the GOP-controlled Congress, how can their party leaders demonize the squeaky-clean Pelosi, who has zero tolerance

for payoffs or shady deals, regardless of party? Republicans were stunned at her quick action removing Rep. William Jefferson from the Ways and Means Committee for allegedly taking bribes.

To the politically paranoid, her San Francisco base is enough to disqualify her from any office higher than school crossing guard. But San Francisco's only crime is tolerance, and her East Coast upbringing is the stuff of novels, hailing from a strong family tradition of public service. Her father, Thomas D'Alesandro Jr., is her role model and a local legend, serving as the mayor of Baltimore for 12 years after five terms in Congress.

This week's election could prove an historic one, with a result long overdue: As speaker, she will have reached the highest position of power ever achieved by a woman — third in line of Presidential succession. Whether you're a Democrat, a Republican or an Independent, if you yearn for a return to good, honest government and have a genuine concern for America's future, what is there not to like about Nancy Pelosi?

FDR had his "first 100 days" that changed America, but everything moves at a faster pace today, so Nancy Pelosi has her first 100 hours. On that lightning pace and with her swinging the gavel, Democrats will drain the swamp of corruption, roll back the subsidies to Big Oil, increase the minimum wage, adopt the recommendations of the 9/11 Commission and broaden stem cell research.

Pelosi's agenda may be scary to the GOP base, but a welcome change of direction for most Americans.

President Bush campaigned as "a uniter, not a divider" and proceeded to become the most polarizing American politician in modern times. Under Pelosi's leadership in the House, Democrats have their most unified voting record in half a century. If she can bring fractious Democrats together, think what she can do for the country.

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The Q-Line

When the top story is topsy-turvy ...

With films such as "Borat: Cultural Learnings of America for Make Benefit Glorious Nation of Kazakhstan" and "Man of the Year" topping the box-office, fake news shows like "The Daily Show" and "The Colbert Report" attracting larger audiences, and such publications as the satirical newspaper "The Onion" now in circulation in more cities across the country, including Santa Monica, it seems as if news satire is everywhere.

Indeed, several studies have shown that more and more young adults are using such outlets as their primary news source, gleaning the issues of the day from satirical reporting.

With that in mind, this week's Q-Line question is:

Is the increasing appeal of news satire healthy, drawing non-news watchers into topical discussions; or does the glut of satire only serve to blur the truth in journalism and politics?

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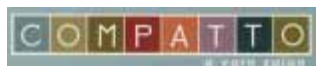
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Environmental campaign pooches out Chairman Pombo

BY ERICA WERNER

Associated Press Writer

LOS ANGELES — Jerry McNerney was an unlikely candidate to take down a powerful GOP committee chairman.

He has never held elected office. He has written novels and a satire diet book, and is a wind energy consultant who named his daughter Windy. He started several companies that haven't gone anywhere, has almost no income and lives off a family trust.

McNerney did not even have the support of Democratic Party leaders in the primary, and he lost badly two years ago to the man he soundly defeated Tuesday: House Resources Committee Chairman Richard Pombo, R-Tracy. He beat Pombo 53 percent to 47 percent.

The unconventional resume didn't matter as national environmental groups made the race a referendum on Pombo, angry over the incumbent's support for energy and gas drilling, privatizing public lands and rewriting the Endangered Species Act to add protections for landowners.

The Sierra Club, Defenders of Wildlife and other groups spent more than \$1 million to defeat Pombo and declared victory when they succeeded.

McNerney, on the other hand, admitted he had to get used to the win. Addressing jubilant supporters early Wednesday he

promised to fight for clean air and clean water. "We won!" he announced.

"Before I got up on stage, I hadn't gotten used to the title (congressman), but now I feel a lot of responsibility," McNerney, 55, told The Associated Press later. "It's definitely an honor, and know I have the people to answer to."

McNerney, who was born in Albuquerque, N.M., has a doctorate in math from the University of New Mexico. He worked at Sandia National Laboratory in Albuquerque and later at a windpower company.

From his California home in Dublin, he founded a company called HawtPower with hopes of manufacturing wind turbines. But he had trouble attracting capital and abandoned the venture to run for Congress.

McNerney says he was inspired to run two years ago by his son, Michael, an Air Force officer who suggested McNerney could serve his country in office. He ran in the 2004 primary as a write-in candidate, losing badly to Pombo 39 percent to 61 percent.

After Tuesday's victory was secured, McNerney got a congratulatory call from former President Clinton. His son, Michael, also spoke briefly with Clinton.

"We don't come from a political family at all," said Michael. "I was on the phone with him (Clinton) and thinking, 'How did we end up here?'"

LA Times editor is out, while rumors of paper's sale swirl

LA TIMES, from page 3

"When I came here four weeks ago, Dean Baquet and I agreed that we would work to get to know each other, for me to get to know the newspaper, and we would decide if we were on the same page in terms of the strategic and operating direction of the paper," Hiller wrote in an e-mail to the staff.

"After considerable discussion, we concluded that we have significant differences on future direction, and so Dean will be leaving."

Two weeks ago, Baquet told journalists attending the Associated Press Managing Editors conference in New Orleans that his stand against further job cuts had not changed.

Hiller told Times employees gathered in the newsroom Tuesday there would be no staff cuts this year, according to several staff members who were present. In his e-mail, Hiller said staffing levels were still being discussed as part of the paper's 2007 operating plan.

Hiller also told employees they would have to decide if they could support the new leadership team.

"I appreciate that not everybody will agree and choose to join in this direction, and that's OK," Hiller wrote. "Everybody gets to choose whether this is a direction they can support, and do so with excellence and passion. But decide we all must, because the last thing we can stand is confusion on our mission and objectives. It's going to be hard enough as it is."

In an interview with The Associated Press, Hiller said he met Tuesday with the paper's top editors, many of whom are close to Baquet.

"I'm hopeful they'll stay and work with

Jim O'Shea and move us forward," Hiller said, adding the decision to part ways with Baquet was difficult both personally and professionally.

"I came here very open to the idea that Dean and I would work together on into the future," Hiller said. "I thought it was a very real possibility."

Baquet, through a newspaper spokeswoman, declined comment.

Times spokeswoman Nancy Sullivan refused to allow an Associated Press reporter into the newsroom to hear Baquet speak, saying "it's an internal matter."

Times staffers, who had twice sent strong letters supporting Baquet to Tribune executives, gave Baquet several standing ovations and enthusiastic applause after a brief, emotional speech, several reporters said.

"He's been a great editor and supporter — just a great leader," reporter Erika Hayasaki said after Baquet's talk. "It's devastating to see him go."

Baquet told the newsroom to give his replacement a chance, adding that the two had become good friends.

"He told us he knows Jim and said that he's a great guy and that he had a lot of respect for him," Times photographer Annie Wells said. "That was very encouraging to hear because somehow we have got to get through this difficult period. We're all afraid of what's coming down from Tribune."

Baquet was hired as the Times' managing editor in 2000 and was named its editor last year after the departure of John Carroll and publisher John Puerner, who also left over a dispute with Tribune about budget cuts.

O'Shea joined the Tribune in 1979. From 1995 until being named managing editor in 2001, O'Shea was deputy managing editor for news.

Democrats in control as ballots get tallied

BY CALVIN WOODWARD

Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON — Republican control of Congress was on the line Tuesday in an election colored by voters' dismay over the Iraq war and misbehavior in Washington.

At stake in the midterm election were all 435 House seats, 33 in the Senate, 36 races for governor, ballot measures on gay marriage, embryonic stem cell research, the minimum wage and more — plus the overarching fate of President Bush's agenda in the last two years of his presidency.

In a climate inhospitable if not toxic for incumbents, Democrats hoped finally to answer the rout that drove them from legislative power in 1994. Even their opponents conceded Democrats were certain to make gains and, despite brave words for public consumption, Republicans worried that control of the House would slip from their hands.

Even Senate control was up in the air, but a tougher climb for Democrats.

Bush flew to his home state of Texas to vote Tuesday, finishing a restrained five-day round of campaigning mostly in GOP strongholds. His presence on the stump was a mixed blessing for candidates attracted to the attention and fundraising prowess generated by a president but nervous about being associated too closely with an unpopular leader.

Charlie Crist, a Republican running to succeed Bush's brother Jeb as Florida governor, bailed from a planned appearance with Bush in a safely Republican section of the Panhandle, an embarrassing snub on the eve of voting.

Bush gamely pressed on with lacerating attacks on Democrats at that Pensacola rally of 7,000 loud supporters. "The Democrat philosophy is this: If it breathes, tax it, and if it stops breathing, find its children and tax them," Bush shouted.

Former President Clinton responded sharply in kind: "They can't run anything right," he said, taunting Republicans about Iraq, Hurricane Katrina recovery and scandal in Washington.

Democrat Jim Webb, a former Navy secretary, author and less than smooth campaigner, invited Clinton to his side to close out a Virginia Senate campaign he was given little chance of winning at the outset.

His tight race with Sen. George Allen became emblematic of unexpected Democratic opportunities in state after state. "I have a strong feeling that on Wednesday morning the White House is going to wake up and look across at the Capitol dome and say, 'We got a problem,'" Webb told a crowd pressed into a Roanoke firehouse.

White House press secretary Tony Snow, appearing Tuesday on Rush Limbaugh's radio show, argued that the Democrats' only stance is "literally running around and heckling the president rather than trying to think seriously about how to deal with bin Laden."

"You gotta wonder if they're a serious political party," Snow said. He also criticized

a Democratic proposal for dealing with the Iraq war by saying, "We do, quote, phased redeployment, what we do is we invite a whole lot more September 11ths."

Democrats needed to gain 15 House seats or six in the Senate to form a majority, a development that would give them a stronger voice against a war that has cost more than 2,800 U.S. lives and has come to be seen by most Americans as misbegotten.

Sharply critical of Bush's prosecution of the war throughout the campaign, Democrats nevertheless lack a common position on how to get the U.S. out.

Both parties sent thousands of volunteers to competitive districts to mobilize voters and assembled legal teams to watch for irregularities in balloting systems that continue to be error-prone six years after the hanging-chad debacle of 2000.

The Justice Department sent a record 850 poll watchers to 69 cities and counties to

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safeguard against fraud, discrimination or system malfunctions in tight races.

Republicans have been the acknowledged champions at getting supporters out to polling stations, a critical skill in midterm elections when turnout is typically low, around 40 percent, and one that heightened suspense over which party would hold the levers of power at the end of the counting.

Evangelical conservatives are the foundation of that mobilization and motivation drive, but their own enthusiasm was in question as they faced the prospect of a president too politically weak to take forward their agenda and looked back on a campaign tainted by the congressional page sex scandal and more.

Some final opinion polls indicated a tightening race; others suggested the Democrats were still far in front in national sentiment. At least two dozen Republican House seats were at risk. Among GOP-held open seats, those in Arizona, Colorado, New York, Ohio and Iowa seemed most vulnerable. Republican Reps. John Hostettler, Chris Chocola and Mike Sodrel of Indiana; Charles Taylor of North Carolina; Curt Weldon, Don Sherwood and Melissa Hart of Pennsylvania; and Charles Bass of New Hampshire were in particularly difficult re-election struggles.

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Three dead amid rains

BY TIM FOUGHT

Associated Press Writer

PORTLAND, Ore. — The body of a woman who disappeared on a storm-battered beach was found Wednesday, the third death during a wave of stormy weather in the Pacific Northwest that smashed rainfall records and threatened hundreds of homes, authorities said.

The search continued for the woman's companion.

The Pineapple Express storm, named for its origin over the warm Pacific Ocean, had abated Wednesday after sending rivers over their banks Monday and Tuesday, causing millions of dollars in damage.

Oregon Gov. Ted Kulongoski declared an emergency in coastal Tillamook County, where about 100 people were evacuated because of rising water.

The two women were last seen walking on the beach near Gleneden Beach on Tuesday. Lt. Vicky Ryan of the Depoe Bay Fire District said she saw the women and "cautioned them to not go out on the beach because of

the high water."

They apparently moved to another stretch of beach, she said. The body of one of the women was found Wednesday, Ryan said. She didn't say where the body was found, saying she couldn't release more information until relatives were notified.

Two deaths were reported in Washington state, a hunter whose pickup truck was swept into the Cowlitz River and a man who ignored road closure signs and whose vehicle was swept into the same river.

Near Gleneden Beach, 15 to 20 dump trucks hauled gravel to shore up the foundations of three houses whose foundations were threatened by erosion.

Ryan said Wednesday that 300 truckloads of rock had been dumped behind and below the homes as barriers against surf gnawing at the land.

Some highways and numerous local roads were closed Wednesday because of high water, mud and rock slides or flood damage. A section of Interstate 5 southwest of Seattle was reopened early Wednesday

after being closed for about nine hours because of high water.

In Snohomish, about 25 miles north of Seattle, flooding entered the municipal sewage treatment plant and damaged a diversion dam on the Pilchuck River. Larry Bauman, town planner, said countywide damage would likely exceed the \$5 million caused by flooding in 2003.

"This is a catastrophic event," Bauman said.

Washington Gov. Chris Gregoire had declared an emergency for 18 counties on Monday, authorizing the National Guard and the Emergency Management Division to offer assistance. Helicopters and hovercraft were put to work making rescues.

Rainfall records were set Monday across western Washington, including 8.22 inches at Stampede Pass, which broke an all-time record for a 24-hour period there of 7.29 inches, set on Nov. 19, 1962. Olympia had a record for the date at 4.31 inches.

The storm dumped up to 15 inches on Oregon by Tuesday, mostly along the coast.

At least one house was swept away and nearly 300 homes and cabins were threatened when the Cowlitz River rose out of its banks and changed course near Packwood, Wash., south of Mount Rainier, said Sheriff's Deputy Stacy Brown.

Associated Press writers **Curt Woodward** in Olympia, Wash., **Donna Gordon** Blankinship in Seattle and **Annie Shooman** in Portland, Ore., contributed to this report.

Highest ranking transgender person elected

BY TARA GODVIN

Associated Press Writer

HONOLULU — After an aggressive campaign, Kim Coco Iwamoto earned a seat on Hawaii's statewide Board of Education and, according to national advocacy groups, a place in history as the country's highest-elected transgender official.

Iwamoto, a 38-year-old lawyer, did not tout her gender status in the campaign but has openly advocated for transgender youth and related issues at the state capitol. She placed third in Tuesday's election among six candidates for three seats on the board.

She was not immediately available for comment. However, in a statement early Wednesday she said she was looking forward to "working in collaboration with the other members of the board to move education forward in our state."

Iwamoto, who was born on Kauai and attended a Honolulu Catholic boys school, also noted that she had won a special "Kids Voting Hawaii" virtual election for students on the Internet. Her biography on her Web site does not give her age or gender status.

The 14-member state board governs the islands' 285 public schools that enroll more than 180,000 students. Iwamoto was elected to a seat representing Oahu, Hawaii's most populous island.

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World watches Democratic wins

BY PAUL HAVEN
Associated Press Writer

MADRID, Spain — The seismic shift that midterm elections brought to Washington’s political landscape was welcomed by many Wednesday who oppose the war in Iraq and the harsh methods the Bush administration has employed in fighting terrorism.

From Paris to Pakistan, politicians, analysts and ordinary citizens said they hoped the Democratic takeover of the House of Representatives would force President Bush to adopt a more conciliatory approach to global crises, and teach a president many see as a “cowboy” a lesson in humility.

But some also expressed fears that a split in power and a lame-duck president might stall global trade talks and weaken much-needed American influence.

On Iraq, some feared that Democrats will force a too-rapid retreat, leaving that country and the region in chaos. Others said they doubted the turnover in congressional power would have a dramatic impact on Iraq policy any time soon, largely because the Democrats have yet to define the specifics of the course they want to take.

The U.S. ambassador to Iraq, Zalmay Khalilzad, said American policy would not dramatically change, despite the Democratic election success.

“The president is the architect of U.S. foreign policy,” the ambassador said in a videotape distributed by the U.S. Embassy. “He is the commander in chief of our armed forces. He understands what is at stake in Iraq.”

Regardless of the effect on world events, global giddiness that Bush was finally handed a political black-eye was almost palpable.

In an extraordinary joint statement, more than 200 Socialist members of the European Parliament hailed the American election results as “the beginning of the end of a six-year nightmare for the world” and gloated that they left the Bush administration “seriously weakened.”

In Paris, expatriates and French citizens alike packed the city’s main American haunts to watch results, with some standing to cheer or boo as vote tabulations came in.

One Frenchman, teacher Jean-Pierre Charpentrat, 53, said it was

about time U.S. voters figured out what much of the rest of the world already knew.

“Americans are realizing that you can’t found the politics of a country on patriotic passion and reflexes,” he said. “You can’t fool everybody all the time — and I think that’s what Bush and his administration are learning today.”

Democrats swept to power in the House on Tuesday and were threatening to take control of the Senate amid exit polls that showed widespread American discontent over Iraq, nationwide disgust at corruption in politics, and low approval ratings for Bush.

Bush is deeply unpopular in many countries around the globe, with particularly intense opposition to the U.S.-led war in Iraq, the U.S. terror detention center at Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, and allegations of Washington sanctioned interrogation methods that some equate with torture.

People across the Mideast also reacted swiftly, saying it appeared the U.S. president had paid the price for what many view as failed policy in Iraq.

Most governments across the region had no official comment, but some opponents of the United States reacted harshly. “President Bush is no longer acceptable worldwide,” said Suleiman Hadad, a lawmaker in Syria, whose autocratic government has been shunned by the U.S.

Even some Iraqis voiced hope for change.

“We hope American foreign policy will change and that living conditions in Iraq will improve,” said 48-year-old engineer Suheil Jabar, a Shiite Muslim in Baghdad.

In Copenhagen, Denmark, 35-year-old Jens Langfeldt said he did not know much about the midterm elections but was opposed to Bush’s values. He referred to the president as “that cowboy.”

In Sri Lanka, some said they hoped the rebuke would force Bush to abandon a unilateral approach to global issues.

The Democratic win means “there will be more control and restraint” over U.S. foreign policy, said Jehan Perera, a political analyst.

Passions were even higher in Pakistan, where Bush is deeply unpopular despite billions in aid and support for President Gen. Pervez Musharraf.

Tank shells rip through neighborhood

BY IBRAHIM BARZAK
Associated Press Writer

BEIT HANOUN, Gaza Strip — Israeli tank shells ripped through a residential neighborhood in the northern Gaza Strip early Wednesday, killing at least 18 members of an extended family, including eight children, and wounding dozens of others, health officials said.

Hamas chief Khaled Mashaal said that a truce with Israel was finished and his group’s militants could resume fighting. The military wing of the Palestinians’ ruling group called on Muslims around the world to attack U.S. targets, a call disavowed by the Hamas-led Palestinian government.

Prime Minister Ehud Olmert expressed regret over the deaths and, along with Defense Minister Amir Peretz, offered “urgent humanitarian aid” to the Palestinian Authority and immediate medical treatment to the wounded.

Israel halted artillery attacks in Gaza while it investigated the incident, but said it would press forward with operations meant to halt Palestinian rocket fire on Israeli communities.

Hamas Prime Minister Ismail Haniyeh suspended talks on forming a more moderate government with Palestinian President Mahmoud Abbas, and both men declared a three-day mourning period. Abbas said the negotiations must continue.



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New police chief comes to SM via Long Beach

NEW CHIEF, from page 1

"I have tremendous respect for Jim and what he accomplished," Jackman told the Daily Press Wednesday evening. "You don't get to spend that much time as police chief without making some enormous strides. The community owes him a great deal. I owe him a great deal."

Butts left the department to accept a position as chief of police for Los Angeles World Airports, the department which owns and operates Los Angeles International Airport, Ontario International Airport, Palmdale Regional Airport and Van Nuys Airport. It also runs the FlyAway Bus service.

With extensive experience in both field operations and administration, Jackman has covered the spectrum of public safety posts, from community relations to internal affairs, information technology to terrorism prevention. He has a strong track record in youth services and youth violence prevention, working successfully with the Long Beach Unified School District to pilot new initiatives, Ewell said.

"I am impressed with Mr. Jackman's balanced background and leadership ability, as well as his strong commitment to working with and including the community in decision-making," Ewell said. "He has demonstrated (the) practice of collaboration and being a strong contributor to citywide team efforts."

Jackman was one of the top-seven finalists interviewed by a panel of residents, business representatives, clergy and school officials last month. Jackman was chosen fol-

lowing a nationwide search that included three candidates from within the SMPD.

During the search, Deputy Chief Phil Sanchez, Capt. Mark Smiley and Capt. Jacqueline Seabrooks each took a turn serving as chief while the selection process forged ahead.

"This was one of the most difficult selections I've had to make because of the outstanding qualifications and talent of our internal candidates," Ewell said. "But ultimately, I had to balance the needs of the community and think about the long term and where we would like to go in terms of stronger relationships citywide. This gentleman has a track record of having worked well with all the communities he has come in contact with."

Jackman will leave a department of 1,500 employees and a \$173 million budget for the SMPD, which has 468 employees and a budget of nearly \$60 million.

Aside from being familiar with the dynamics that surround a seaside city relying heavily on tourism, Jackman has also dealt with the issue of homelessness. Long Beach has an estimated homeless population of 4,475 and faces challenges similar to those of Santa Monica. In 2004, he developed a program to train officers on alternatives to cope with homeless and the mentally ill, and has worked closely with mental health professionals to train more than 100 officers, city officials said.

Jackman, a former U.S. Marine from New Hampshire, said he is "thrilled" to be coming

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to Santa Monica and is eager to tackle the many challenges in front of him, from homelessness and youth violence, to maintaining a high-level of service that residents have come to expect of the SMPD.

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Ewell said one of the reasons he picked Jackman was that he is "a cop's cop," who has walked the beat, worked in internal affairs, served as a union representative/negotiator and as an academy coordinator supervising the internal training of approximately 400 Long Beach recruits in eight different academy classes.

When he's not policing, Jackman said he enjoys reading whatever he can get his hands on, as well as spending time with his two

high school-age sons, boating and other sporting activities.

Jackman has a bachelor's degree from the University of the State of New York and a master's in business administration from the University of California at Irvine. He serves on several community boards, including the Long Beach Public Corporation for the Arts and Conservation Corps of Long Beach.

"Community members wanted someone who is approachable, who has good interpersonal skills, a background in reducing crime, a background in having worked with youth, working on intervention programs, and someone who had a proven track record," Ewell said. "I think this gentleman reflects all of those different experiences. I think he's a good, solid administrator, very bright ... He's a perfect fit."

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For Step Up, loan process was a lesson learned

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lion, was contingent on Step Up securing the loan from city officials.

"This is disappointing," Lipka said. "One thing is clear. For us, this project is needed as a preventive step, but we will have to go back and regroup and ... figure out what we want to do now."

The plan in question included the purchase of the triplex, where the non-profit hoped to place at least eight men and women between the ages of 18 and 26 who had recently experienced their first episodes of mental illness. Participants in the two-year transitional living program would have been monitored around the clock by staff, who would look to teach them the skills needed to better manage their lives.

Residents expressed strong opposition to the plan out of concern that the project would displace several tenants who currently live at the location, create a safety risk for students and residents if the occupants failed to stay on their medica-

tion, and add to the growing list of affordable housing projects and social service providers located in the area.

"We thought this was pretty much a done deal, that they would come up with funding one way or the other," said Jeff Bender, a resident who lives across the street from the triplex. "I'm surprised the city didn't go through with this ... I have respect for the program and I hope (Step Up) can find a suitable location."

City officials said the concerns of residents were well known, however, they did not factor into the decision to deny the loan.

"It was based purely on technical grounds," said Bob Moncrief, housing manager for City Hall. "What they had proposed was essentially a group home where people share the same facilities and services are provided, and in our guidelines for housing, they really didn't meet the definition of a group home."

City Hall defines a group home as a single unit, such as a house. The Step Up project included a home and two apartments located in the backyard that would have been private

units for graduates of the program, Moncrief said.

"In terms of the population they were targeting — wanting to serve the most vulnerable, that being young people experiencing the first stages of mental illness — we would like to work with them as a housing division and try to find some alternative way to assist this population," said Moncrief.

Step Up originally asked City Hall for a \$1.7 million loan, which was denied because it did not meet funding guidelines, according to the housing manager.

While unsuccessful, Lipka said the process provided a valuable learning experience for Step Up, which established a neighborhood advisory board comprised of residents who are critics and supporters of the project.

"We had some very positive dialogue and helped raise awareness about mental illness," said Lipka, who said he continually confronts misperceptions about those who suffer from mental disorders. "With that in mind, we think this was worthwhile ... regardless of the outcome."

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COMMUNITY BRIEFS

Some star power for CLARE

By Daily Press staff

Celebs and locals will join to celebrate CLARE's continuum of care.

The 9th Annual Friends of CLARE Tribute Dinner will take place in the Colonnade Ballroom at Casa del Mar Hotel in Santa Monica tonight at 6 p.m. The evening's Master of Ceremonies will be best-selling author, comedian, and talk show host Greg Behrendt. CLARE will be honoring three outstanding individuals who have made a lasting contribution in the recovery community.

Earl Hightower will receive CLARE's Tribute Award presented by actor Matthew Perry for continued dedication and service to the community. This year's Spirit of CLARE award will be presented to Santa Monica resident Jack Rosenbaum, a member of CLARE's Board of Directors for over 20 years. CLARE will present a new award this year, the Founders Award, to another Santa Monican, Ken Schonlau, the last surviving founder of the CLARE Foundation.

The CLARE Foundation has 11 programs at four locations providing a continuum of care to all those seeking recovery from alcoholism and substance abuse. Last year, over 25,000 men, women and children turned to CLARE for help and more than 90 percent completed their program of recovery.

Speakers continue to entertain at SMC

By Daily Press staff

Talks of all things TV, film and theater continue at SMC.

The Santa Monica College Academy of Entertainment and Technology's entertainment industry speakers series extends into November with more talks.

All lectures in SMC's Mary Pickford Speakers Series are free and are held at 7 p.m. Monday evenings at SMC's Academy of Entertainment and Technology's Screening Room, 1660 Stewart St., Santa Monica.

The speakers in November are:

n Nov. 13: Jon Kroll — executive vice president for original programming at New Line

Television who has produced a number of TV shows, including the Emmy-winning "Amazing Race."

n Nov. 20: John Balma — character actor with 20 years experience in theater, film, television and commercials, including the "I'm in debt up to my eyeballs!" role in a LendingTree commercial. He has worked with such actors as Danny DeVito, Dustin Hoffman and Jeff Bridges and has made guest appearances on such shows as "Friends" and "The West Wing."

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SANTA MONICA CITY COUNCIL

(Three seats available)

	VOTES	PERCENTAGE
☒ Kevin McKeown	12,033	19.35
☒ Pam O'Connor	11,374	18.29
☒ Bob Holbrook	11,142	17.91
☐ Terry O'Day	9,927	15.96
☐ Gleam Davis	8,162	13.12
☐ Jenna Linnekens	2,578	4.15
☐ Terence Later	2,217	3.56
☐ Mark C. McLellan	1,861	2.99
☐ Linda Armstrong	1,532	2.46
☐ Jonathan Mann	1,369	2.2

With 72 of 72 precincts reporting (100 percent).

Registration: 57,455

SANTA MONICA-MALIBU SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD

(Four seats available)

☒ Emily Bloomfield	16,001	22.34
☒ Oscar de la Torre	14,081	19.66
☒ Kelly McMahon Pye	13,983	19.53
☒ Barry A. Snell	12,741	17.79
☐ Shane McLoud	9,633	13.45
☐ Sidonie Smith	5,175	7.23

With 89 of 89 precincts reporting (100 percent).

Registration: 69,080

SANTA MONICA COLLEGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

(Four seats available)

☒ Nancy Greenstein	16,201	22.02
☒ Louise Jaffe	15,560	21.14
☒ David B. Finkel	13,739	18.67
☒ Andrew Walzer	12,765	17.35
☐ Tom Donner	9,767	13.27
☐ Susanna Kim Bracke	5,556	7.55

With 89 of 89 precincts reporting (100 percent).

Registration: 68,999

RENT CONTROL BOARD

(Three seats available)

☒ Jennifer Kennedy	10,516	29.98
☒ M. Korade-Wilson	10,052	28.65
☒ Zelia Mollica	8,854	25.24
☐ Robert Kronovet	5,658	16.13

With 72 of 72 precincts reporting (100 percent).

Registration: 57,455

41ST STATE ASSEMBLY DISTRICT

☒ Julia Brownley	56,022	63.28
☐ Tony Dolz	29,660	33.5
☐ C. S. Frankowski	2,844	3.21

With 234 of 234 precincts reporting (100 percent).

Registration: 184,110

BALLOT MEASURES

	YES	NO	PASSED
☒ Proposition "U"	15,823	6,424	YES
☒ Proposition "V"	16,623	8,273	YES
☐ Proposition "W"	10,588	11,933	NO
☒ Proposition "Y"	15,339	8,164	YES

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In with the new

CAST AWAY: Turnout on par with previous mid-term elections

BY MELODY HANATANI
Daily Press Staff Writer

CITYWIDE — Santa Monicans for Renters Rights will remain the ruling political party in city government after its candidates swept the Santa Monica College Board, School Board and Rent Control Board races on Tuesday.

With all precincts reporting, unofficial election results show that each of the candidates endorsed by SMRR won open and challenged seats on the three boards, giving independent school board incumbent Shane McLoud the boot in the process.

The results mean SMRR will continue its hold over city government as it has maintained throughout the majority of its existence since 1979. The only SMRR-endorsed candidate who came out empty-handed in Tuesday's election was City Council candidate Gleam Davis.

Candidates were up until the early morning hours awaiting the results, which did not start rolling in until after 10:30 p.m., or two and a half hours after polls closed.

"I was up until 2 a.m. at home, looking at the computer for results," said newly elected Rent Control Board member Zelia Mollica.

Voters carried current Rent Control Board Chairwoman Jennifer Kennedy back into office, handing her close to 30 percent of the votes. Fellow SMRR endorsees Marilyn Korade-Wilson and Mollica garnered 29 percent and 25 percent, respectively.

"I'm happy and enthusiastic about having Zelia and Marilyn coming to join the board," Kennedy said.

Property Manager and Real Estate Broker Robert Kronovet's message of bringing back a minority voice to government apparently didn't resonate with the majority of voters, who only gave him 16 percent.

Voters handed a victory to school board incumbents Emily Bloomfield and Oscar de la Torre, who led the group of SMRR candidates in the race with 22 percent and 19.7 percent of the votes, respectively. PTA mom Kelly McMahon Pye (19.6 percent) and accountant Barry Snell (17.8 percent) rounded out the school board winners.

Election results show that Santa Monicans support the public education system, said McMahon Pye, who believes she was elected because of her sincerity to serve the public schools and for her experience as a PTA executive board member at both Will Rogers Elementary School and John Adams Middle School.

"I'm ready to work," she said. "We have a phenomenal community."

Taking in 13.4 percent of the vote, the odd incumbent out was McLoud, a fifth grade teacher at Camino Nuevo Charter Academy in Los Angeles, who was voted out after serving one term. Though she dropped out shortly after qualifying for the ballot, administrative educator Sidonie Smith still took 7.23 percent of the votes.

The Santa Monica College Board will welcome back Chairwoman Nancy Greenstein, who captured the first of four available seats with 22 percent of the vote. Louise Jaffe, a teacher, pulled in 21 percent, followed by David Finkel (19 percent) and Andrew Walzer (17 percent).

Rounding out the list of candidates, college administrator Tom Donner and financial adviser Susanna Kim Bracke were both unable to draw enough support to win, with 13 percent and 8 percent, respectively.

"I had a major community outreach effort where I knocked on thousands of doors," Walzer said. "I really did a lot of hard work and I was rewarded."

THE LOSERS
Kronovet wonders if the Rent Control Board results might have been different if he had spread his campaign message sooner, as in running television commercials earlier or meeting more voters. The Kronovet for Rent Control Board commercials ran on local and cable networks such as

Fox News and CNN.

"It may be a small election, but it's an important campaign," Kronovet said. "I think we have a wonderful opportunity to win in '08."

Meanwhile, getting bounced from the school board came as a shock to McLoud, who was the only teacher on board.

But McLoud said his absence will be felt on the board, but not the district, as he plans to continue to advocate for the issues that matter to him.

"Though I'm disappointed I'm not being reelected to the School Board, I'm satisfied that I contributed to the improvement of our schools for the past four years," McLoud said on Wednesday. "Though I wanted to continue to reform efforts, I have confidence in the new and existing school board members' ability to continue to make our schools better."

THE NEXT STEP
While the newcomers have a list of goals they would like to see fulfilled in their first terms in city government, those who have been around a while plan to spend the next few years taking care of existing business. The next few years will give both new and reelected board members the opportunity to prove to voters that the campaign promises made were not merely a tactic to get elected.

On the SMC Board of Trustees, members talked openly about their hopes to leave a legacy in their next term of repairing relationships between administrators, faculty and neighbors in the college, and working hard to produce a balanced budget.

"We have a new board and we have a fairly new president [Dr. Chui Tsang]," Greenstein said. "The opportunities are unlimited for what we can all accomplish together."

School Board candidates hope to bridge the racial gap within the public school system, as well as boost math scores.

The first item on the list of priorities came on the campaign trail for de la Torre, when he came across a group of John Adams Middle School boy scouts who asked the board member why their school does not have any lockers, while Lincoln Middle School does.

The answer could lie in the perception that the environment at Lincoln Middle School, located on California Avenue north of Wilshire Boulevard, is safer than John Adams Middle School, located on 16th Street south of Pico Boulevard, and that the students at John Adams would use the lockers to inappropriately stash weapons or other outlawed items, de la Torre said.

"I'm not going to say that's the reason, but it's something that smells like that," de la Torre said. "I've never seen research or a study that shows that lockers create more violence on campus."

On the Rent Control front, candidates say they want to promote communication between landlords and tenants, and educate landlords and tenants on rent control laws.

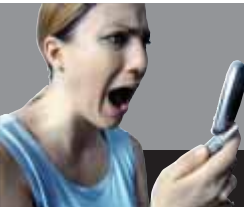
The next term will be spent to ensure that there is diversity within Santa Monica and there are as many outreach programs for tenants as there are for landlords, Mollica said.

"My goal would be, four years from now, the people who are renters who really want to stay in Santa Monica will still be here," Mollica said.

TURNOUT
Voter turnout on Tuesday lies in the 41-percent range, according to the number of votes cast for local measures. The number is in stark contrast to the 2004 election, when 62 percent of registered voters came out to the polls, though 2004 was a presidential election year.

The turnout in Tuesday's election closely mirrors that of the 2002 mid-term election, when approximately 44 percent of the city's registered voters participated.

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Red barren

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Still standing tall

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political action committees that are not hindered by the strict fundraising laws that candidates for City Council must abide by.

"(The results) tell me Santa Monicans pay attention to the real issues and are resistant to distorted, although, well-funded messages," McKeown said Wednesday, one day after his election triumph. "This wasn't about me. This is about our community coming together to make a statement about where we together wanted to go ... No future candidate should have to go through being a human piñata to serve her or his neighbors."

While many would see McKeown's re-election as a defeat for Santa Monicans for Sensible Priorities (SMSP), which coordinated the anti-McKeown campaign, Seth Jacobson, a spokesman for the group, said he was happy with the election results because Holbrook was re-elected along with O'Connor, a moderate on the council who has been able to connect with both the business community and Santa Monicans for Renters Rights (SMRR), the city's ruling political party that has often bumped heads with developers.

"We knew from our polling that the incumbents had a significant advantage," Jacobson said. "And our priority was always to support Mr. Holbrook and try to get Mr. O'Day elected ... We are happy that after a stream of attacks — including six extremely vicious direct pieces of mail attacking Mr. Holbrook and Mr. O'Day, one as late as Tuesday morning from SMRR, we were able to assist in Holbrook's re-election."

Jacobson said despite O'Day having zero name recognition coming into the race, the candidate performed "extremely well" and that he has a future in local politics if he chooses to run again. Jacobson also expressed regret that the negative attacks by SMRR and the SMSP campaigns overshadowed the "80 percent" of positive campaigning SMSP engaged in on behalf of Holbrook and O'Day.

The attack ads on McKeown and the attention they generated may have made it difficult for O'Day, Davis and other newcomers to reach voters, overshadowing their efforts.

"I think even though we didn't engage in any negative campaigning, we ended up associated with some of that, and that was tough to overcome as a first-time candidate," O'Day said. "We did everything we could ...

and I realized just how hard it is to beat an incumbent in this city.

"For a first-time candidate, I think we made a great showing."

Now that she has another four years on the dais and the MTA board, O'Connor said she is looking forward to using some of the bond money approved by voters statewide to extend the Exposition Light Rail line to Santa Monica and fund other traffic improvement projects to help relieve congestion on the Westside. She also looks forward to continuing her work on updating City Hall's land use policies to bring them up to date.

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TERRY O'DAY
CITY COUNCIL RUNNER-UP

A veteran with 12 years of experience on the council, O'Connor said she was never nervous on election night.

"You can never get anxious about the election because whatever happens is going to happen," O'Connor said. "You've got to trust that you've done everything you can do during the campaign season and then you sit and wait for the outcome. I've always said being on the council is something I enjoy doing, but it does not define who I am."

With another term in front of him, Holbrook said he is looking forward to continuing working on reducing the homeless population in Santa Monica. He said progress has been made, including an agreement that moves the feeding of the homeless indoors, and in turn, out of the city's parks and off the lawn of City Hall.

Holbrook said he will also push for more improvements to the city's infrastructure, which includes paving pockmarked streets and improving storm drains and water mains.

"I think we have put a good foot forward," Holbrook said. "We just need to focus on fixing Santa Monica."

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By Daily Press staff

MARINA DEL REY — Burditch Marketing Communications (BMC), an award-winning marketing communications firm based in Los Angeles, has been engaged by Marina del Rey Convention and Visitors Bureau for public relations in the U.S. and abroad.

Beverly Moore, Executive Director of Marina del Rey Convention and Visitors Bureau, conducted the search.

“The Visitors Bureau believes BMC’s strategic planning and integrated marketing expertise will accelerate the pace of the Marina’s growth in the tourism marketplace,” says Moore. “I personally am looking forward to taking advantage of their creative, kinetic energy, which they put into everything they do.”

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Firms taking franchise route to boost number of stores

BY JANET FORGRIEVE

Associated Press Writer

DENVER — For shoppers at Lowry Town Center, Squeeze Fresh Smoothies is just the citrus-colored shake shop on the corner. But there’s more to it.

Greenwood Village, Colo.-based Squeeze, founded by former Quiznos Seattle-area director Richard Dean, is one of a growing number of companies that are franchising for faster growth. Most recently, the company signed deals to open 75 more of the smoothie shops in Arizona and California over the next seven years.

Nationally, 767,483 franchises have created more than 18 million jobs, nearly 14 percent of the country’s private-sector employment, according to the most recent figures from the International Franchise Association.

Those businesses generated \$506.6 billion in payroll in 2003, the most recent IFA numbers available.

In Colorado, franchises employ 181,415 and generate payroll of about \$4.6 million, IFA figures show. Numbers include Colorado-based franchisers and those from other states that have sold franchises here.

Anecdotal evidence — including frequent announcements from out-of-state franchisers planning to enter the market — indicates those numbers are growing fast.

Texas-based Interstate Battery, which has been primarily a wholesaler for more than 50 years, instituted a franchisee program last year to expand its 19-store chain of All Battery retail stores.

The concept is simple: Stores sell batteries for everything from the tiniest gadget to the biggest motor vehicle and, if they don’t have it, they’ll make it. It has opened more than 40 franchises and has stores in 26 states, the District of Columbia and Puerto Rico.

Interstate has had one of its corporate stores in Arvada, Colo. — a suburb north of Denver — for nine years. Now, with franchisees, it expects to open up to five Denver-area franchises in the next few years, said Vice President Mickey Elam.

“We’re just excited about expanding into the Denver market — it is recognized as the anchor for expansion into the west,” Elam said.

Interstate has hired Houston-based Liberty Development Consulting to solicit, qualify and sign up franchisees in new markets.

For franchisees, the attraction is often clear: They start their own businesses but with backup, training and often an established name.

Financing comes more easily to franchisees than to pure startups, because lenders and guarantors such as the U.S. Small Business Administration are more likely to approve loans for franchisees signing on to a proven concept.

Other economic reasons also are adding to the growth of franchising, said Kevin L. Hogan, president of Liberty Development which has also advised Shell Oil, Church’s Chicken and Breugger’s Bagels.

After the stock market burned investors earlier this decade, many looked for alternative investments, Hogan said.

That fueled a real estate boom and, because franchising requires stores and so is often real estate-intensive, the number of franchisees grew.

“Now, people are moving more and more into franchising because even real estate now — it’s questionable as to whether it’s a bubble,” he said. “Franchising is no bubble — you can do it for 30 or 40 years and even hand it off to your kids.”

Denver-based Spicy Pickle Franchising was created in 2003 to take the popular local sandwich shop to a slew of new customers.

Franchisees have opened 15 stores in five states, with more under construction and franchise agreements in other states, including New York.

“Franchising is growing at a remarkable rate,” said Marc Geman, managing partner of Spicy Pickle Franchising.

“The reason for that is there are a lot of people now who are looking toward owning a franchise as a lifestyle. They’re coming out of white-collar industry and places like that, and owning a franchise is an opportunity to make a good living and own their own business.”

Some companies find that franchising is one way to cut overhead.

In January, Denver-based Peaberry Coffee said it would close up to 13 of its corporate-owned shops, selling the leases to giant competitor Starbucks, and look to its Colorado franchisees for future store growth.

Colorado is home to some franchisers that have become big nationwide, including Quiznos and RE/MAX International.

The state also boasts a host of smaller ones — more than 40 at last count — that hope to make it as big.

As the pool of potential franchisees has grown, so have the number and diversity of franchisers.

Some, such as Squeeze, start with the fast-growth franchise track in mind, citing franchising as the best way to leverage other people’s capital.

Others evolve from thinking smaller. Boulder, Colo.-based Camp Bow Wow awarded its 150th franchise since founder Heidi Flammang launched her first doggy day care in 2000.

“Going in, I thought I would own four or five in the metro Denver area and be happy as a clam,” she said.

Instead, she soon realized she was more of a big-picture person and not so much a detail-oriented operator.

“I kept getting distracted,” she said. “I figured the day-to-day running was better left to someone with a more entrepreneurial spirit.”

The camps began franchising about three years ago, and the company is now launching retail stores in its facilities.

Luckily, Flammang had a client who had been active in franchising for Mrs. Fields cookies and could direct her to the resources she would need.

Oregon woodworker builds sturdy cider pressing machines

BY LEWIS TAYLOR

Associated Press Writer

ELMIRA, Ore. — Robert Correll likes to say that he doesn’t just make apple presses, he makes memories.

“I feel so grateful that I’m able to be a part of so many people’s lives,” says the man who’s been called Cider Bob and the Johnny Appleseed of apple presses.

Correll has made at least 3,050 memories. That’s how many presses the former inventory control specialist from Elmira has produced. Of course, the real number of people who have been touched by Correll’s handcrafted wooden presses is much greater.

Cider making is an intrinsically social activity, best undertaken in small groups, and Correll’s presses have been used by countless church groups, neighborhood groups, farm collectives and small businesses. They are also, arguably, the best small presses you can buy. So says Sally Herman, a farmer from Salem who recently purchased one.

“It’s a dream machine, no doubt,” she says. “We pressed some cider with another machine a couple of years ago and had to chop all the apples (by hand). This one’s fast, it’s easy, it’s portable, easy to clean. It does a really good job.”

Herman isn’t the only one who thinks Correll’s presses are special. Last year an article in Forbes Magazine declared it the best small press on the market. A Northern California company impressed with the design licensed it for production, and Correll has had orders from all over. Locally, there are Correll presses at Dorris Ranch, Mount Pisgah Arboretum, Buford Park and numerous barns, sheds and warehouses.

Correll started off selling mainly to buyers in apple growing regions in the Northwest such as Yakima, Wash., but he has since branched out to other parts of the country, not to mention Costa Rica, New Zealand, Poland, France and Malaysia.

“This is my niche. This is God given,” said Correll, who recently celebrated his 75th birthday with an apple turnover his wife baked. “This isn’t just what I do, this is who I am.”

Correll grew up in Ellensburg, Wash. So did his wife, Glinda, who says Correll was the first boy who ever kissed her. He’s also the second-generation apple press maker in his family.

From pirates to 'Family Guy,' clubs bring students together

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The students begin talking about their plans for Club Day, an exhibition day coming up in the next few weeks, and what kind of breakfast to serve at the event. The conversation shifts around as students mention the Kevin Federline-Britney Spears break-up, how "awesome" the "Breakfast Club" movie is, and what citizens of other countries eat for breakfast.

The Japanese eat fish and salad for breakfast, said Julia Seelhozer, a junior, citing one example.

The students are eating cereal and bread, getting creative with the ingredients.

"Oh my god! That is so gross!" screams Seelhozer during Wednesday's meeting, when she sees her friend create a Cap'n Crunch cereal and sugar sandwich.

"It's really gross," replies Junior Ananya Kepper, speaking to her friend with a mouthful of her Cap'n creation.

Richker started the club earlier this year after the idea came to him one night when "The Breakfast Club" aired on television.

"I decided it would be a funny name to have for a club and would be a fun way to meet friends," Richker said.

NINJA VS. PIRATES

The club is among 80-100 new clubs that form every year at Samohi. The requirements to start a new club are fairly simple — it must have at least 15 members, a teacher needs to volunteer to advise the club, the club must have a set meeting time and location, the club members must perform 20 hours of community service together, and the club must host at least four events during the school year.

Clubs give students the opportunity to take an active part in a large campus that has more than 3,000 students, creating a community within a community.

Samohi is considered unique among area public high schools in terms of its long and interesting list of clubs, said Activities Director Cathy Marsh.

"The clubs are reflective of what the students are interested in," Marsh said.

For example, the newly formed Ninja vs.

Pirates Club represents an interest its members have in ninjas and pirates, and who would win in a showdown.

The answer is the ninja, according to Club President Ardi Salam, a junior.

The club originally started as the Ninja Club and remained so until another friend recommended adding the pirate as a rival. There were also talks of adding the viking to the list, but members decided to focus on the rivalry between ninja and pirates.

With 20 members strong, the club meets every Tuesday at lunch to discuss all things ninja and pirates, and imagine who would come out the victor during a fight between the two. The students watch videos documenting the history of ninja and pirates.

Sometimes, they produce their own ninja vs. pirate skit.

"There is nothing a pirate can do that a ninja can't," Salam argued. "The ninja has been training since they were a child. They're constantly learning and have spiritual powers within them."

NO 'GILMORE GIRLS'?

Following the latest episodes of the animated comedy "Family Guy" is the Family Guy Club, which meets every Tuesday at lunch. The club was formed by Alex McRitchie, who came to Samohi as a freshman from Pilgrim Lutheran School of Santa Monica, knowing only three people in the entire school.

Befriending more students by the beginning of his sophomore year, McRitchie, now a junior, decided to start the Family Guy Club.

"I thought Family Guy was a great way to meet people," he said. "It's a great way for people who are a little shy or don't know how to meet other people to get together."

The club started out with 10 members and now has about 14 meeting every Tuesday to watch the latest episode during lunch.

Though it may be a great place to make friends, it's not the best place to meet a girl.

"It's mostly guys," he said. "Which is sort of an obstacle to overcome."

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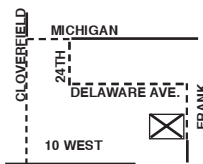
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QUICK STATS
Number of sewage spills -- 1
Number of beach closures due to a sewage spill -- 0
Number of wet days -- 0
Number of A grades for dry/wet weather -- 37 / 45
Number of ICDF grades for dry/wet weather -- 10 / 45

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LOCATION	DRY	WET
Los Cerritos Beach, at Arroyo Sequit Creek mouth	A+	ns
Nicholas Beach at San Nicholas Canyon Creek mouth	A	ns
El Pescador State Beach, between Luchessa and Los Alitos creeks	A+	ns
Enchanted Canyon at El Matador State Beach	A+	ns
Dead Beach at Tomcaw Creek mouth	A+	ns
Zuma Beach at Zuma Creek mouth	A+	ns
Walnut Creek, projection of Wildfire Rd. (private)	A	ns
Paradise Cove Pier at Ramirez Canyon Creek mouth	A	ns
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Lido Canyon Creek mouth	A	ns
Saltwater Canyon at San Blas County Beach	A+	ns
Puerto State Beach at creek mouth	A+	ns
Marine Canyon storm drain at Puerto Beach, at 24572 Malibu Rd.	F	ns
Serfider Beach at Malibu Colony fence	A	ns
Serfider Beach (beach location) - daily	F	ns
Malibu Pier - 50 yards east	A	ns
Carbon Beach at Sweetwater Canyon	A+	ns
Los Flores State Beach at Los Flores Creek (point zone)	A+	ns
Big Rock Beach at 19948 PCH stairs	D	ns
Pine Creek at Los Angeles County Beach	A+	ns
Tuna Canyon	ns	ns
Tapanga State Beach at creek mouth	A	ns
Castroville Storm Drain at Castle Rock Beach	F	ns
Santa Ynez Storm Drain at Castle Rock Beach	A+	ns
Will Rogers State Beach at 17200 PCH (1/4 mile east of Sunset drain)	A+	ns

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COLLEGE FOOTBALL

No more plane rides for weary Trojans

BY JOHN NADEL
AP Sports Writer

LOS ANGELES — Home, at last. After playing five of its first eight games on the road in five different states, No. 7 Southern California is finished traveling for the regular season, save a short bus trip to nearby Pasadena.

While coach Pete Carroll and his players are pleased about that, they're speaking in terms of a one-game schedule — Saturday night's matchup with No. 21 Oregon. "It's time to come home, play at the Coliseum, get this end of the season under way," Carroll said Tuesday. "I'm thrilled about that, it's like a homestand coming up. (But) Oregon is the only team I'm talking about today, as much as you'd like me to talk about others.

"We do realize we don't have to travel. The rest of it will be taken care of in due time."

After facing Oregon, the Trojans have a date with No. 8 California on Nov. 18 in a game that figures to determine the Pac-10 championship; a contest against No. 9 Notre Dame on Nov. 25, and their annual meeting with crosstown rival UCLA at the Rose Bowl on Dec. 2.

Should the Trojans win out, and they're 17-0 under Carroll in November, they'd lock up a berth in the Rose Bowl on New Year's Day. Four more wins could mean a berth in the national championship game, although they'd need a lot of help for that to happen since they're ranked seventh in the latest BCS standings.

"All we can do is take care of our games," safety Kevin Ellison said. "All that stuff doesn't matter if you don't take care of the game in front of you."

Junior linebacker Thomas Williams said it's probably more difficult for the younger players to avoid looking ahead.

"The older guys who have been around for a few years really understand," he said. "You can only do what you can do today. I don't think it's hard at all to focus on only one team. It's important to focus on the team you're playing, especially when you have an 'X' on your back."

Williams said that while the loss at Oregon State hurt, he added: "It hurt more people on the outside than on the inside because of the expectations. Teams are playing us harder than they ever have before. Anybody can lose on any given Saturday."

Oregon (7-2, 4-2) will be playing at the Coliseum for the first time in six years. The Ducks won a 28-17 decision over the Trojans in 2000 — the year before Carroll was hired. USC (7-1, 5-1) has won 30 straight at home since losing to Stanford 21-16 in 2001.

"We're pleased that this matchup has turned around — we finally get to play them at our place," Carroll said. "We're pretty healthy now, feeling pretty good. It's time to take a significant step now."

The Trojans are 2-1 against the Ducks under Carroll, losing 24-22 in 2001 and winning 44-33 in 2002 and 45-13 last year. The teams didn't play in 2003-04.

USC lost 33-31 at Oregon State on Oct. 28 to snap a 38-game regular-season winning streak, but rebounded last weekend for a 42-0 victory at Stanford.

"A very good game for us," Carroll said. "It feels like that was a nice step for us."

Oregon, averaging 36.3 points per game, has won two straight after losing at California and Washington State last month.

"This is not something we should be uncomfortable with," Carroll said of the matchup with Oregon. "We're getting better, stronger right now. We got some turnovers last week, some sacks the last couple of weeks. That makes us feel better about what's going on. We feel well-equipped, ready to go."

Shell hopes Brayton can stay

BY JOSH DUBOW
AP Sports Writer

ALAMEDA, Calif. — Raiders coach Art Shell worked in the NFL office long enough to know that Tyler Brayton will be punished for kneeling Seattle's Jeramy Stevens in the groin.

Shell just hopes the punishment will be a fine, not a suspension, because he said video tape showed that Brayton was only reacting to a kick from Stevens.

"Tyler was reacting to someone trying to kick him in the groin area," Shell said Tuesday. "So there was a reaction to that. Sometimes when there's pushing and shoving, you might not react. But when that happens, guys will react and he did. There will be something. What it is, I don't know. Could be a fine. Hopefully that's all it will be. Then we'll go from there."

Seahawks coach Mike Holmgren disagreed with Shell's interpretation of the tape, saying Stevens' foot got extended as he tried to disengage from Brayton.

"It wasn't anything close to resembling what actually occurred, afterward ...," Holmgren said, comparing what Stevens did to Brayton's reaction. "If you look at the film, I think it's pretty clear that's not what happened."

Both Brayton and Stevens were unavailable for comment Tuesday.

Shell, who heard player appeals on fines and suspensions for on-field conduct during his time in the NFL office, gave the Raiders' side of the story to the league earlier Tuesday.

NFL spokesman Greg Aiello said the league was looking into the play and could have a decision on further punishment as soon as Wednesday.

Shell said he hopes that Stevens gets the same punishment that Brayton does.

"It should be because he initiated it and Tyler reacted," Shell said. "You tell your guys not to react to things like that, but in that situation you understand."

The play in question happened in the final minutes of Oakland's 16-0 loss to Seattle on Monday night. Brayton and Stevens were pushing and grabbing at each other's shoulders away from a 4-yard run by Mack Strong with 1:54 remaining in the game.

Shell said a replay showed that Stevens tried to kick Brayton. Brayton then responded by raising his right knee onto the upper inside half of Stevens' left thigh while an official watched just yards away. Brayton got a penalty for unsportsmanlike conduct and was ejected.

Digging Duff

A New York teenager pleaded not guilty to stalking pop star **HILARY DUFF**.

Maksim Myaskovskiy, 18, was charged with the felony when he appeared in court Tuesday, and his bail was raised to \$1 million. A Nov. 22 hearing was set to determine whether enough evidence exists to order

him to stand trial.

It was not immediately known whether Myaskovskiy had a lawyer.

Myaskovskiy was arrested Friday after he made several phone calls from a hotel room to a private security firm employed by Duff, Manhattan Beach police Sgt. Steve Tobias said.

An investigator with the firm told police Myaskovskiy threatened to harm Duff at an event she was scheduled to attend.

"He made physical threats against both Ms. Duff and her boyfriend," Tobias said.

Duff, 19, and her family sought an order of protection against Myaskovskiy on Oct.

New York teen denies threatening the pop star

12, alleging in court documents that he tried to contact her by visiting her neighborhood, the neighborhood of her boyfriend —Good Charlotte singer Joel Madden —and her mother's home.

Court documents said Myaskovskiy "admitted to being 'obsessed' with her, has stated

his intention of purchasing a weapon, and has threatened to kill himself and to engage in dramatic actions to get her attention ... and that Joel Madden stands in their way."

Duff is best known for starring in the long-running Disney Channel show "Lizzie McGuire."

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Anna Nicole on mend after collapse

Physicians at Doctors Hospital released 38-year-old reality TV star and former Playboy Playmate **ANNA NICOLE SMITH** on Monday after determining that her collapsed lung had stabilized, attorney Wayne Munroe told The Associated Press on Tuesday.

Smith, who checked into the hospital Oct. 30 with pain in her side, was staying at the same

facility in September when she gave birth to a daughter, Dannielynn, and her adult son died while visiting her three days later.

"I think it takes quite some time to recover from a collapsed lung, and you have to keep up the breathing exercises for some time," Munroe said. "But she's shown a high threshold for pain, having been

through so much recently."

After leaving the hospital, Smith returned to the waterfront home that has been the subject an ownership dispute between her and a South Carolina businessman, Munroe said. G. Ben Thompson has said that Smith has not honored an agreement to pay the mortgage. He is seeking her eviction from the gated mansion known as

"Horizons."

Smith's 20-year-old son, Daniel, died at his mother's bedside on Sept. 10. A pathologist who conducted a private autopsy said he died from the accidental combination of methadone and two antidepressants.

The results of official toxicology tests and a police investigation into his death have not been released. AP

Go girl: Lohan tired of the 'party' rap

LINDSAY LOHAN says she hates her reputation as a party girl.

"I'm 20 years old. Is it a crime to go ... dancing with your friends?" the actress said Tuesday on "The Oprah Winfrey Show."

Lohan said she was "lucky and blessed" to be able to act.

"I've been acting my whole life and this is what I love to do," said Lohan, whose screen cred-

its include "The Parent Trap," "Freaky Friday," "A Prairie Home Companion" and the upcoming "Bobby," about the 1968 assassination of Sen. Robert F. Kennedy.

Emilio Estevez, who directed the movie, told Winfrey that Lohan was a professional on the set, showed up on time and turned in "the best work of her life."

The media focuses on allegations of wild-child behavior "because it sells," Estevez said. "I'd rather have them focus on how extraordinary she is in this film."

"Bobby," set for release Nov. 23, has an ensemble cast that also includes Demi Moore, Sharon Stone, Anthony Hopkins and Laurence Fishburne.

In July, James G. Robinson,

chief executive officer of Morgan Creek Productions, chided Lohan in a letter for her behavior on the set of "Georgia Rule" and doubted her absence was related to heat exhaustion.

"We are well aware that your ongoing all-night, heavy partying is the real reason for your so-called 'exhaustion,'" he wrote. AP

ENTERTAINMENT

Spears finally gives K-Fed his walking papers

BY JEREMIAH MARQUEZ

Associated Press Writer

LOS ANGELES — Britney Spears is saying bye-bye to K-Fed.

The pop princess filed for divorce Tuesday from her husband, former backup dancer and aspiring rapper Kevin Federline.

The Los Angeles County Superior Court filing cites "irreconcilable differences."

Spears, 24, married Federline, 28, in 2004. They have a 1-year-old son, Sean Preston, and an infant son who was born Sept. 12. The divorce papers identify the baby as Jayden James Federline.

In the divorce papers, which do not mention a prenuptial agreement, Spears asks for custody of the couple's two children with visitation rights for Federline. The filing lists as

separate property, and thereby off-limits to Federline, "miscellaneous jewelry and other personal affects," earnings and other assets to be determined.

Spears' declaration that she and Federline had no community assets indicate the pair had a prenuptial agreement and don't want to disclose to the court any divorce settlement, said Leon Bennett, an attorney who handles celebrity divorces but who is not involved in the Spears-Federline matter.

The couple were legally married Oct. 6, 2004 — a few weeks after a widely covered wedding ceremony.

A message left with Spears' attorney, Laura Wasser, was not immediately returned.

Spears married Federline eight months after ending a 55-hour Las Vegas marriage to her childhood

friend, Jason Alexander. Her second marriage has provided endless fodder for tabloids, which have speculated frequently that the union was in trouble.

Federline's attorney, Mark Vincent Kaplan, issued a statement declining comment.

"There is no statement at this time as requested by Mark's client, Kevin Federline," said Michael Sands, spokesman for Kaplan.

But in an interview with The Associated Press two weeks ago, Federline had nothing but praise for Spears.

"Her influence on me has been really big," he told the AP. "She's a strong woman and she knows what she wants out of life and that helps build a strong man. I look up to you baby."

The filing came a day after

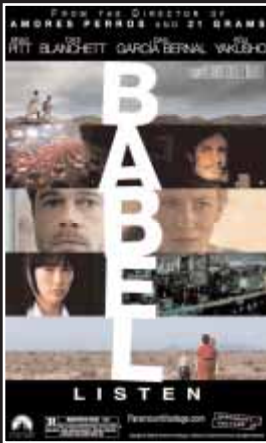
Spears, back in shape after the birth of her second child, made a surprise appearance on David Letterman's "Late Show" in New York by popping up behind him as he was sitting at his desk.

Born in Kentwood, La., in 1981, Spears got her first taste of fame at age 11 when she joined the "The All New Mickey Mouse Club" TV show. Her fellow Mouseketeers included future superstars Justin Timberlake and Christina Aguilera.

Five years after leaving the show she released her debut album, "Baby One More Time." In a video for the title track, Spears dressed provocatively in a school uniform and cemented her reputation as a sex symbol. Yet, throughout a years-long romance with Timberlake, Spears always proclaimed her chastity.

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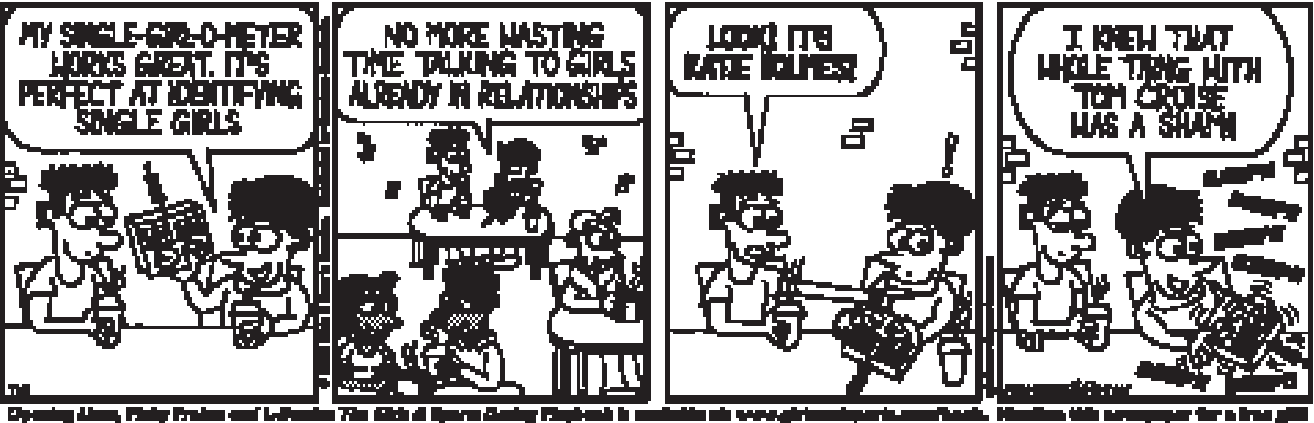
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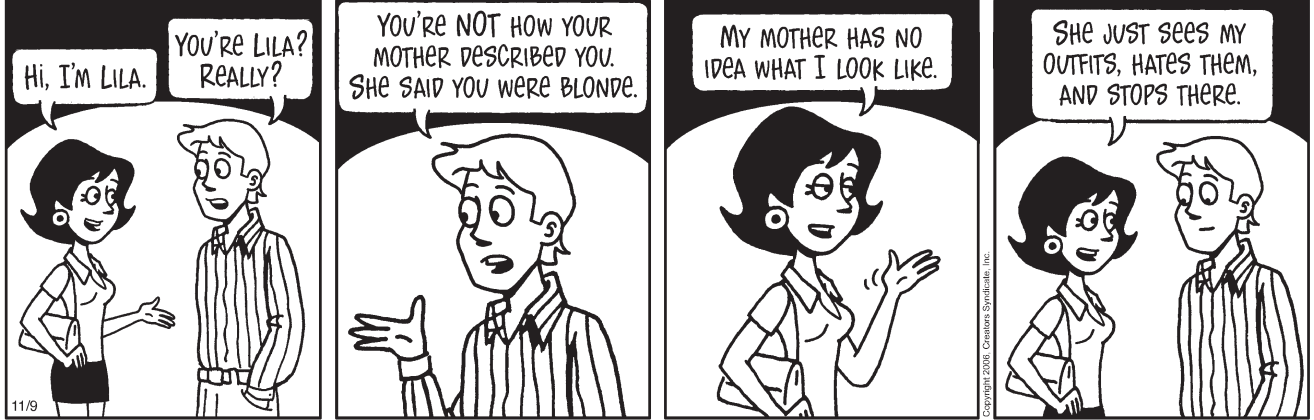
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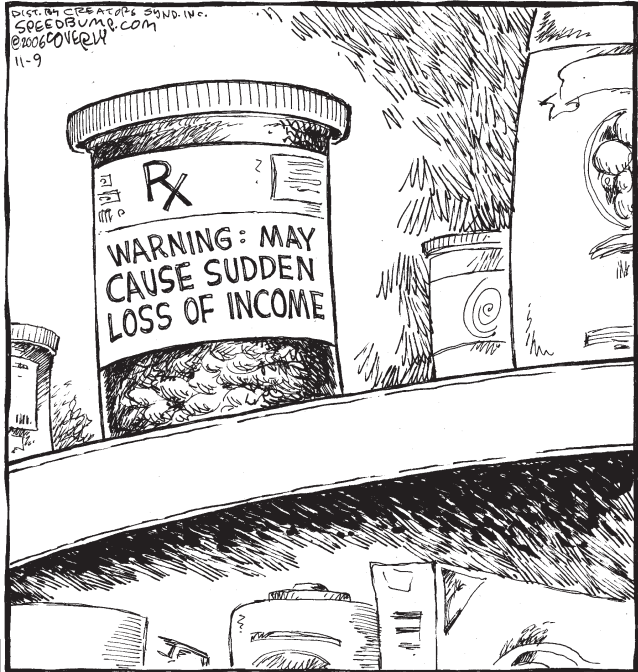
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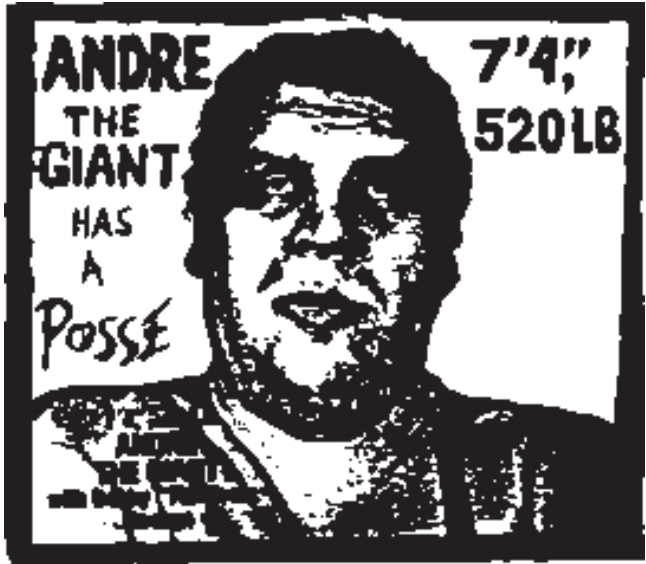
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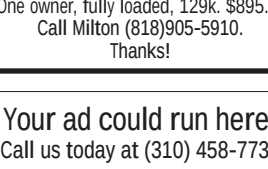
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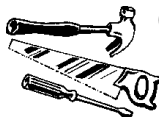
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