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NEWS OF THE WEIRD

BY CHUCK SHEPARD

Laurie David is the social-activist wife of "Curb Your Enthusiasm" TV star Larry David, well known for speaking out on, and rallying other activists on environmental issues, such as the need for energy conservation. According to a report in the September Atlantic Monthly, David shuns commercial airliners to get to her speeches (even though the increase in fuel usage to carry a person of her size would be negligible), preferring to make special trips each time by private jet, which a New Republic columnist calculated uses as much fuel in one cross-country round-trip as a Hummer uses in a year.

TODAY IN HISTORY

In 1765, Frederick County, Md., repudiated the British Stamp Act.
In 1903, singer Enrico Caruso made his American debut at the Metropolitan Opera House in New York, appearing in "Rigoletto."
In 1936, Life, the magazine created by Henry R. Luce, was first published.

QUOTE OF THE DAY

"As democracy is perfected, the office of President represents, more and more closely, the inner soul of the people. On some great and glorious day the plain folks of the land will reach their heart's desire at last and the White House will be adorned by a downright moron."

H.L. MENCKEN

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Light rail in Santa Monica gains steam

Construction on the first half of rail line between Los Angeles and Santa Monica likely to begin soon; \$500M for second half still needs to be raised

BY JOHN WOOD

Daily Press Staff Writer

CITY HALL — The money is in place and construction likely will begin early next year on the first half of an estimated \$1 billion light rail line that eventually will connect downtown Los Angeles to Santa Monica, transportation officials said Monday.

The first phase of the project

will connect downtown Los Angeles to the intersection of Venice and Robertson boulevards in Culver City, via USC and 10 other stops. That part alone is expected to cost \$490 million and be open to the public by 2010.

It will cost another \$500 million to extend the rail line from Culver City to Santa Monica, officials said. That money hasn't been raised yet.

"It's been hard work to get it this far, and it's very exciting," said Santa Monica City Councilwoman Pam O'Connor, also a board member for the Metropolitan Transportation Authority, which is in charge of the project. "Concurrent with (the first half) we need to work on phase two. The real benefit of the line comes from when the total length of the line to Santa Monica is complete."

Richard Thorpe, MTA's chief project management officer, projected there will be 45,000 daily riders on the rail line by 2020.

Fares will be equal to what's charged on other modes of public transportation. If the line were open today, the fare would be \$1.25, Thorpe said.

A special meeting of the Santa Monica City Council was held midday Monday at the conclusion of a bus tour of the proposed 9.6-mile line. Transportation officials and elected leaders munched on deli sandwiches and chocolate chip cookies while Thorpe presented the plans, which go before the MTA board of directors in January. Thorpe said work will

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A heartfelt day



John Wood/Daily Press

Children leave the SMC campus this past weekend after their families received gift baskets filled with food for the Thanksgiving holiday, provided by the Heartfelt Foundation.

Gang violence at the top of Genser's agenda

(Editor's note: This is the second article in a weekly series examining the priorities of four residents elected on Nov. 2 to serve on the Santa Monica City Council.)

BY JOHN WOOD

Daily Press Staff Writer

As he prepares for a record fifth term on the City Council, local planning consultant Ken Genser said his top priority is to reduce gang violence in Santa Monica and bridge a perceived disconnect between residents and the police department.



KEN GENSER

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Running up the tab to track city employee time

(Editor's note: This is part of an ongoing series that tracks the city's expenditures which appear on the upcoming Santa Monica City Council consent agenda. Consent agenda items are routinely passed by the City Council with little or no discussion from elected officials or the public. However, many of the items have been part of public discussion in the past).

BY KATHLEEN BISHOP

Special to the Daily Press

CITY HALL — Elected officials are expected to spend \$416,000 tonight, mostly to keep tabs on City Hall employees.

The bulk of spending —

\$361,000 — will pay for a contract with Kronos, Inc. to expand its automated timekeeping system to all city employees. The police department has used the system since 1998 and the solid waste division started using it at the beginning of the year.

The software is a time and attendance record keeper, and manages leaves of absences for staff.

The cost of software licenses, hardware and installation is estimated at \$316,000. Maintenance for the first year will be about

\$45,000, with a maximum five percent annual increase for the next four years.

Another \$50,000 will go toward continuing work on the Urban Runoff Management Plan with contracted consulting firm Brown and Caldwell. The dollar amount is the maximum allowable for Brown and Caldwell to put together a follow-up workshop about the plan. The plan is part of

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ARIES (March 21-April 19)

★★ Tension builds, especially about real estate and a domestic matter. You cannot win for losing with this personal matter or investment, for now. Pull away and give yourself time. You could easily tumble into an extravagant streak. Tonight: Your treat.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

★★★★ Do what you need to do to get your work done. In fact, if it helps, close your door and screen your calls. You will feel a lot better once you clear out your day's work. Reach out to friends and/or family later this afternoon. Tonight: Whatever makes you happy.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

★★★★ Use the daylight hours to handle key matters, especially financial ones. You could be a bit down about self-imposed limits. A boss or co-worker helps you complete your day with a big smile and a pat on the back. Plan on a late meeting. Tonight: Relax.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

★★★★ You could be out of sorts with a boss or anyone who comes across your path. Take your time and don't push. Handle responsibilities. You will discover that a meeting turns into a social happening. Tonight: Why not go along with the moment?

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

★★★★ Move what you need to move early in the day. Do research, make phone calls and stay on top of a low-level depression. Late in the day, establish your leadership. You will have the needed facts to take a stand. All eyes look to you. Tonight: Out on the town.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

★★★★ You deal with others on an individual basis during the day. Others enjoy your attention and caring. Clear out as much as you can in your personal style. Later today, you will want to find experts and confirm facts. Tonight: Rent a movie.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

★★★★ Others hold the cards again. A boss might be quite difficult and touchy. How you visualize a work-related project might be very different from how the majority of your associates do. Listen to all the different ideas without tossing yours away. Tonight: Talk turkey with a co-worker. Share your thoughts.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

★★★ All work and no play will not make you happy. In fact, you could be grumbling a lot more than usual. Use your charm, even with associates, to help lighten up everyone's mood. Buy some cookies at lunchtime for your co-workers. Tonight: Go along with plans.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

★★★★ You're full of fun and naughtiness. A partner might be discouraged by your lack of seriousness. However, you can and will complete what you need to, only with an ear-to-ear smile and persistence. Count on being at work quite late. Tonight: Go home and relax.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

★★★★ You might continue to have trouble dealing with key personalities in your life. To avoid this, you could cocoon in your office or at home. Later in the day, your fun-loving nature arises. Let humor enter your day. Tonight: Play away.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

★★★★ You say what you feel, and others respond in many different ways. Some co-workers could distance themselves from you, whereas a boss could find your honesty refreshing and enlightening. There is a difference between open and honest. Don't use honesty to hurt. Tonight: Happy at home.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

★★★ Spending could be excessive. If you let your intuition and gentle side lead, you could be vying with the national debt. Be careful. Look at the big picture. Expensive gifts aren't necessary. Tonight: Shoot the breeze with a friend.

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LOCAL

COMMUNITY BRIEFS

Registration for acting workshops open

By Daily Press staff

Santa Monica College’s Emeritus College is seeking students for its winter session acting workshops — at both the foundation and advanced levels.

The workshops will be offered Fridays beginning Jan. 7. Classes are held at Emeritus’ new facility at 1227 Second St., just south of Wilshire Boulevard. Registration began Nov. 22.

The foundation class is offered from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., and the advanced class runs from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. Students have a chance to rehearse and perform scenes of their choice.

The class is taught by Barbara Gannen, actress, director and professional acting coach. She has worked in theater, film and television for 25 years, and also teaches at the Margie Haber Studio in West Hollywood.

Emeritus College is an acclaimed program that offers classes designed for people 55 years old and older.

The class is free, but advance registration is required. Registration forms can be downloaded at www.smc.edu/emmeritus, or by calling Emeritus College at (310) 434-4306. Gannen can be reached at (323) 935-6119.

Let Big Blue Bus get you to the game

By Daily Press staff

The Big Blue Bus Getaways packages to the Rose Bowl parade and game are on sale now.

It features transportation to and from the game and/or the parade, special parade grandstand seating and free parking at the departure point in Santa Monica.

“It is a perfect family outing and great fun for out-of-town guests,” said Dan Dawson, customer relations manager for the Big Blue Bus.

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Getaways depart from the Civic Auditorium, where parking is free.

For more information, call customer service at (310) 451-5444 or (310) 395-6024. You also can stop by the Big Blue Bus offices at 612 Colorado Ave. in Santa Monica from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, or visit www.bigbluebus.com.

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By Daily Press staff

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The Gift Card can be purchased in denominations from \$20 to \$500. For more information call (310) 394-5451.



SURF REPORT

On Tuesday look for a mix of slowly building NW ground swell, slowly fading SW swell and some NW wind swell. Northern LA spots see mostly the SW swell for somewhat inconsistent knee-waist high waves at many breaks and occasional bigger sets at top combo breaks. South Bay also see surf in the 2-3’ range, with chest high sets at best NW breaks through the north half of the bay. Those waves continue through mid week. Look for light and variable wind on Tuesday morning, turning W by the afternoon.

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MONDAY	N/A	N/A	12:47	0.7	6:16	5.7	6:40	4.3
TUESDAY	12:19	1.1	1:29	0.2	6:44	6.0	7:31	4.1
WEDNESDAY	12:50	1.4	2:06	-0.2	7:11	6.1	8:18	4.0
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The Q Line

The Santa Monica City Council earlier this month discussed how many street performers should be allowed on the pier at any one time. The discussion turned into a larger debate about the atmosphere on the pier. Some elected officials think the pier should be quieter than it is today, with the idea that it should be a place to reflect and take in the natural beauty surrounding it.

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Rail route through Santa Monica still undecided

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commence on the project soon after plans are approved.

"We're getting ready to finalize (federal and state environmental review documents)," Thorpe told council members and a group of some 25 transportation officials from around Los Angeles. "The real key we're shooting for is that January board meeting ...

"This is only phase one of the Expo Line," he added. "We need everybody's support. We need community support, but especially local elected officials."

It's unclear when work would begin on the second half of the project. O'Connor said officials are looking into various

methods of raising the estimated \$500 million and construction will begin once the funds have been identified. At the earliest, the second half of the rail line will be completed a few years after the first half.

Funding for the first part of the project came from a mix of local, state and federal sources, Thorpe said. More than \$305 million came from local sales tax and lease revenues, as well as direct contributions from cities. Sacramento contributed another \$49 million to the rail project and \$135 million was obtained through federal funds for congestion and air quality.

While MTA officials consider how to raise money for the second half of the project, what route the rail line would take in

Santa Monica is still undecided. City Councilman Mike Feinstein said Monday two stops were currently being considered. One is downtown at Fourth Street, possibly where the Sears building is currently located. The other is off of Cloverfield Boulevard near Interstate 10.

Feinstein said those stops wouldn't be accessible to enough of Santa Monica's workers and asked rail supporters to consider a stop at Bundy Drive and Centinela Avenue on the eastside of Santa Monica, and another at 14th Street and Olympic Boulevard. He said City Hall was exploring covering I-10 at 14th Street, which would allow them to build a parking lot accessible to commuters. A city park could then be

built on top of that lot, he suggested.

No matter where the stops are placed, officials agreed the Westside is badly in need of more public transportation. The cities of Santa Monica, West Hollywood, Beverly Hills, West Los Angeles and Culver generate 10 percent of the county's sales tax revenue, but historically the region has benefited from just .01 percent of transportation dollars, according to an October update to a study commissioned by the five cities.

Even a small investment in transportation will have an enormous impact, said Steve Cunningham, transportation director for Culver City.

"We're choking," Cunningham added. "It's time to change that."

Homelessness No. 4 on councilman's priorities

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Creating more parking also ranks high on Genser's agenda, as does ensuring the public weighs in on the development of Santa Monica, he said.

Genser on Nov. 2 was one of four residents elected to four-year terms on the council, to begin Dec. 7. Incumbents Richard Bloom and Herb Katz also were re-elected, alongside challenger Bobby Shriver. They will join City Councilwoman Pam O'Connor, and Councilmen Bob Holbrook and Kevin McKeown, whose terms expire in 2006.

Ongoing gang violence in Santa Monica resurfaced as a major political issue this fall after an alleged gang member fired 14 rounds in broad daylight at a bicyclist in front of the Edison Language Academy in the eastside Pico neighborhood. Nobody was critically hurt in the shooting, though several young children and teachers witnessed it.

For Genser, the problem has two distinct components. First is the ongoing violence. Second are what Genser and some other elected leaders see as strained relations between police and residents of the city's poorest neighborhood.

"I don't know that I have solutions," Genser said. "I think we have to create the framework and environment where we all — City Council, city staff and the police department and representatives of the community — seek solutions together."

Specifically, Genser suggested a work-

shop or series of workshops be held where residents and community leaders break into groups to discuss the violence problem and possible solutions, before presenting their findings to a larger group.

"One of the concerns I have ... is if we just schedule a public hearing, people are going to posture, and I'm not just saying people in the community," Genser said. "I think people on both sides will posture and try to find blame, and I don't think that's particularly productive. I think we have to look forward and see how we can make things better and I think that means people sitting in small groups and seeing how they can solve problems together."

As to the issues involved in addressing gang violence, Genser said he wouldn't know what's most critical until the workshops are held. Still, he said at a minimum officials need to consider adding more after-school programs for youths in middle and high school. As to mending relations between some residents and the police department, Genser suggested residents be asked to weigh in on the SMPD's neighborhood centered policing model.

"I think the community needs to have a bigger role in structuring our community policing efforts and I think we need to build trust in both directions to allow that to occur," he said. "We have to make it comfortable and safe for members of the community to report issues, report situations where they see laws being broken. Because we need to intervene when that happens too. I think right now there is

resistance from members of the community to discuss these issues with our police department — or even our social service agencies."

Genser said a second priority during his fifth term on the City Council will be to focus on parking issues throughout Santa Monica, particularly downtown.

"We've adopted an important plan for improving parking in the downtown," he said. "We just adopted a generalized plan for improving parking on east-west corridors. One of the things I think my role is is to try and make sure we move towards implementing those plans."

Specifically, Genser said he would like to act quickly to buy land downtown that could be used for parking structures, before the land is bought and used for other purposes. Secondly, Genser said he would like city staffers to evaluate the size of red zones and parking spaces throughout Santa Monica, with the idea that many spots could be created by redrawing boundaries on city streets. Finally, Genser said he'd like to explore the possibility of creating new parking districts, where nearby merchants pay into a fund to build more structures.

As a third priority, Genser said he is looking forward to overseeing an update to City Hall's land use element, a document that governs development throughout the city. The land use element was last updated 20 years ago. Of specific importance to Genser is that the public be heavily involved, in all different varieties of

forums.

"I don't have any preconceived notions ... but I do want to make sure that we have a very meaningful public outreach process," he said. "I think we have to look for other vehicles to get that input ... It might be through things such as reaching out to existing various neighborhood groups and other kinds of groups. If we only rely on formal public hearings we will just get the same people and it's essential to involve people in the process where they have the opportunity to really work on them (draft documents) and give serious input."

Finally, Genser said he would like to dedicate time towards ongoing problems with the homeless population, a frequent topic of campaign discussions. Though Genser said the council has done a good job of addressing the problem, he acknowledged dissatisfaction in the community and said officials should maintain a watchful eye.

"I think we have to ensure enforcement of our laws or the enactment of new laws regarding public behavior," Genser said. "Clearly, there are many members of our community that are disturbed by behavior of some people in our public places ...

"I think the council has adopted sensible priorities," he added. "For some reason, they're not translating into results. I don't know the answer, if we need to amend policies or devote more resources or somehow refocus our resources and be a little more strategic about how we enforce (the laws)."

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LOCAL



Runoff projects planned for SM bay protection

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the city's overall effort to treat, recycle and reuse urban runoff, and is just one element of many in the Santa Monica Sustainable City Program.

The workshop will take place in early January 2005 and include interested parties such as the city and county of Los Angeles, Santa Monica Bay Keeper, Heal the Bay and Santa Monica Bay Restoration. The purpose of the follow up would be to get support for regional solutions for urban runoff and increase Santa Monica's chances to get funding to execute the plan.

Brown and Caldwell has worked with City Hall since November of 2002 to develop a plan that complies with 1987 amendments to the United States Clean Water Act.

The council is also likely to approve building an underground diversion from the storm drain at Ashland Avenue near Neilson Way.

The project will be funded by the Los Angeles County Flood Control District and will help meet the goals of Santa Monica's Sustainable City Program.

If the proposal is approved, dry weather runoff from the storm drain at Ashland Avenue will flow through the sewer system, be treated at the Los Angeles Hyperion Treatment Plant and then discharged into Santa Monica Bay. The drain takes runoff from the Main Street business district.

The parking lot entrance at the end of Ashland Avenue will be under construction from April 2005 to July 2005. Neilson Way and the other two parking lot entrances will not be impacted by the project.

STATE BRIEFS

Probe into LAPD shows marked improvement

By The Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — The federal monitor overseeing Police Department reform said improvements have been made in internal auditing procedures and investigation techniques into officers accused of using deadly force.

Michael Cherkasky's latest quarterly report said, however, that the consent decree might have to be extended beyond 2006 because work still needs to be done in an officer misconduct "early warning system" as well as creation of a stronger civilian watchdog.

The monitor's oversight is part of the consent decree the city signed with the U.S. Justice Department three years ago following the Rampart corruption scandal involving officers who falsified evidence, framed suspects and covered up unjustified shootings.

The LAPD agreed to a series of reforms rather than fight federal allegations that it systematically abused the rights of citizens. Since June, the LAPD was required to show two years of "substantial compliance" with the nearly 200 provisions required in the decree in order to meet the 2006 deadline.

Excessive force issues, LAPD response to complaints, racial profiling and limits on civilian oversight have been routinely cited in the monitor's quarterly reports.

In the report released on Nov. 15, Cherkasky said Inspector General Andre Birotte Jr. needs more support from the city to ensure that police are not abusing the system. Birotte said the city has made efforts to deal with Cherkasky's concerns.

In addition to approval of \$400,000 in provisional money, the City Council funded 10 new positions, including police performance auditors and special investigators for the inspector general's office.

High school site has low contamination

By The Associated Press

NORCO — Soil vapor samples show only low levels of benzene and toluene, chemicals primarily found in gasoline, at Norco High School's football field and two nearby homes.

The levels found at the high school were lower than the amounts at the Hillside Avenue residences, the environmental testing firm Environ said in a report.

Wyle Laboratories, an El Segundo-based defense contractor that used its 429-acre Norco site to test rocket motors and electronics, hired Environ to test for contamination. Wyle is under a state consent order to clean up contamination.

"The lack of significant levels on the football field is encouraging, because there were no significant concentrations detected," said Joseph Aldern, registered geologist and regional manager of Kleinfelder, the technical consultant for the city of Norco.

The levels of benzene and toluene found outside the Hillside homes were extremely low, Aldern said, comparing the levels to the amount of gas a person could spill when filling up a lawnmower.

"It's nothing that big red flags need to go up on," Aldern said.

Aldern said it was surprising there was no detection at the high school of trichloroethylene, a cancer-causing industrial solvent the state believes migrated from the laboratory. Low levels of TCE have been found along the foundation of some homes along Golden West Lane, residences separated by a hill from Wyle Laboratories.

Air quality tests inside those same homes detected benzene and TCE in one residence at levels that don't pose immediate threats, but could potentially have health effects after years of constant exposure, according to the Department of Toxic Substances.

The department is a board within the California Environmental Protection Agency overseeing the cleanup.

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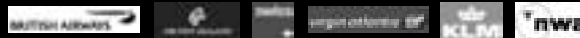
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OPINION

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Thinking big, too big

Editor:

My family came to Santa Monica in September 1875. But after reading about Macerich's proposal to tear down Santa Monica Place and build, among other buildings, three 21-story high-rises caught me by surprise, and has really made me think about moving on. And I notice that they've filed with the city planning department for a development agreement. This thing is on the fast track. I guess they've never tried to drive down Fourth Street.

Oh, I get it. Start with 21 stories and 15 will be a song. Oh yes, add a childcare facility, some senior and affordable housing, and plant a few trees. A slam dunk with cheers and popcorn.

Perhaps it's time again to hit the streets with an initiative that limits heights on all structures west of Lincoln Boulevard to three stories, not to exceed 40 feet — not even elevator towers. Oh yes, let's keep the childcare, trees and housing.

Time to get organized.

November ballot anyone?

Michael E. Hill

Santa Monica

Get parking plan in gear

Editor:

I don't like the idea of allowing businesses to buy or otherwise obtain preferential parking permits for use in residential neighborhoods. It goes against the very reasons that preferential parking zones were created in the first place, it goes against our sustainable city plan, and it goes against common sense. It also goes against the wishes of many of the residents of this town, many of whom have suffered through years of

scarce parking in their own neighborhoods.

Are we to believe that a lack of city-provided employee parking is causing hardship for businesses along Wilshire, Santa Monica and Ocean Park Boulevards in Santa Monica? That's pretty hard to swallow, given recent reports that show Santa Monica's businesses along those streets have enjoyed 22 percent gains in taxable sales, far exceeding the state and county averages of 7.7 and 5 percent respectively (SMDP, Oct. 13, 2004). I haven't noticed any vacant storefronts along those streets — looks like business is pretty good here.

Even if businesses don't have enough parking for their employees, whose problem is it, and how should it be solved? I'm a business owner, but I don't think it's the city's responsibility to solve problems that are mine, and providing parking for my employees is my problem. Maybe it's "good business" for the city to try to make things better for businesses, but it shouldn't be done at the residents' expense. Putting non-resident cars into residential neighborhoods on a regular basis hurts residents, and that's exactly the situation that our existing preferential parking program attempts to prevent. Santa Monica's municipal code cites a desire to protect residential streets from non-resident parkers five times in six paragraphs (3.08.040 designation criteria). Not a lot of room for interpretation there.

Whether it's a business owner's problem or the city's problem, I'm disappointed that the city's "solution" is contrary to our sustainable city plan's transportation goals, which include reducing automobile dependency, and reducing pollution and motor vehicle congestion. Our east-west corridors (Montana Avenue, Wilshire, Santa Monica, Pico, and Ocean Park boulevards) are already choked with traffic. Why would we want to encourage more people to drive to jobs at businesses on those streets by making it easier for them to park nearby? Santa Monica's own Big Blue Bus company serves these east-west corridor streets extremely well, with routes along each from east of the 405 Freeway almost to the ocean. Why aren't we suggesting that business people get with the program and ask their employees to hop on the bus?

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A Thanksgiving thought: Life in LA pretty good



WHAT'S THE POINT?

BY DAVID PISARRA

Thanksgiving is here again. It is a timely reminder that life is short, glory is fleeting and time marches on.

It seems like just yesterday that I was driving to Utah to pick up the mother- and father-in-law, so that we could then drive to Idaho for the big family Thanksgiving dinner. This year it will be a smaller party at our home. Just a few friends to give thanks for all that we have.

We live in a magical place, an almost surreal existence compared to what the rest of the country, let alone the world, experiences. On any given day, I can drive to the beach, see an amazing sunset, eat in some of the finest restaurants, and try cuisines from around the world.

Our multi-cultural polyglot city is located in a county that is as large as some

nation-states. We have access to a cultural database that is rivaled perhaps only by New York, Hong Kong or Sydney.

In mere minutes on a freeway we can experience the wonders of a Chinese market. Smelling the same smells as the markets in Shanghai. Tasting dim sum like in Canton. If you can, take a child down to Chinatown to see the wonder in their eyes as a whole other world opens up, and you'll be thankful.

We have access to the amazing spectacle that is Korean barbecue, usually located in a strip mall somewhere between here and downtown.

If you want to know more about the Middle East, and how those cultures have differences and similarities, just take a stroll down Westwood Boulevard or Fairfax, where you'll also run into an amazing array of African influence.

We have at our doorstep the world of design and taste. West Hollywood is the source for new furniture, clothing, hip fashion and celebrity nightlife.

There are regional hot spots of culture from Guatemala, Mexico, Honduras,

Brazil, Thailand, India, Korea, China, Japan, Russia, the Philippines, and God only knows how many others. We can travel the world and never leave home.

Our recreational opportunities are just as abundant. In one day you can be at the beach, in the mountains hiking, skiing, in the desert for dinner and star gazing, and home by sunrise. Not a bad life.

Our cultural access allows us live theater in the form of many little equity waiver playhouses, regular union shops, and world renowned venues. From the smallest 99-seat theater where you are likely to see some celebrity, either on the stage or in the seat next to you, to the Mark Taper, we have access to a world that others only dream of.

Musically we have the Hollywood Bowl, the John Anson Ford Amphitheater, and the Disney Hall.

Our movie life is beyond compare. What other city has the theaters, the studios and the events that we have on a regular basis?

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dled masses yearning to breath free." We are the culmination of all that is good in the world. Brought right to our doorstep, ours for the asking.

We have much to be thankful for this year. We have a city with more than abundant food and clean water, electricity and freedom — which is more than most of the world has.

Take a moment this Thanksgiving, in between the football games and yelling at the kids, to reflect on where we live, on who we are, and how we have more than many, even the least of us has access to more.

Yes, we can all look to the Ferrari in the driveway next door, or the guy with the new plasma screen T.V., and feel inadequate. But this Thanksgiving, let's look at what we have.

We live in a multi-cultural, artistic paradise, and we should not forget it.

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OPINION



LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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It's time we put considerable city resources into solving Santa Monica's parking problem — a 365-days-a-year problem that negatively affects businesses, renters, homeowners, students, tourists, and everyone else who's tried to park a car here. It's a city-wide problem that needs significant attention. I understand City Hall's desire to balance the parking needs of businesses and residents, and while I think the City Council's collective heart is in the right place, mere nipping and tucking at the existing municipal code is not the way to provide a significantly improved situation. Rather than tinkering here and adjusting there, let's start over, and let's do it right. Santa Monica doesn't need to fine-tune its existing preferential parking program — it needs a carefully considered, comprehensive citywide parking plan. Let's make one that works, one that we can stick to — and let's get started now.

Christian Boyce
Santa Monica

Dumb Dems need a lesson in American history

Editor:

Leftists, like Michael Moore, have done the Democratic Party no favors. He has already announced that there will be a sequel to his propaganda film but it won't hit theaters for at least two to three years because he doesn't know exactly what it's about yet. In a nutshell, regardless of what happens in the Bush Administration, Mr. Moore is confident that he can spin it to make America appear evil.

In fairness, Mr. Moore is not an official spokesman for the party and all Democrats are not necessarily socialists. Many just feel guilty about being born into ungodly wealth and never having to earn an honest living.

Speaking of which, Howard Dean very well could be the next chairman of the DNC. We can look forward to more rousing, fist-clenching speeches that pose the tough questions, yet give no answers. On the flip side, we have Barak Obama to deliver fluffy, well-spoken speeches with zero content. But he sure is a good speaker, and so was Adolf Hitler.

The party of F.D.R. has become the party of condescension, power and influence. It was easier to buy a presidential pardon under Clinton than it was to buy a U.N. veto under Annan. They perpetuate the myth that minorities are in need of their help and that the rich are responsible for all their woes.

But don't worry, vote for a Democrat and they'll steal even more money from those evil rich people and redistribute that evil money to its rightful owners — the people who didn't earn it. How much money did Rev. Al put in his pocket from his campaign? Who bought the Clinton's mansion in Westchester?

According to the media, leftists/socialists are headed to Canada because they've conceded that America does not espouse their warped values. They consider this migration an insult. I consider it a favor. Besides, they'll be in good company. The colonists who would not fight for independence (Torries) and preferred to be lorded over were exiled to Canada more than 200 years ago.

One day the Democrats might learn that you can't solve problems by throwing other people's money at them. They must also accept the fact that every human deserves sovereignty over their lives and must take responsibility for their actions instead of blaming the government or anyone else. On that day, they will officially become Republicans.

Thomas Kenney
Santa Monica

Museum a display of LA's unreal culture



ANY DAY IN LA

BY HEIDI MANTEUFFEL

Major metropolitan areas hold locations of higher learning, and you'd think Los Angeles would do the same. So why did it surprise me the Museum of Jurassic Technology showed nothing more than LA culture?

I guess I forgot that living in LA I'm not entitled to anything real. Silly me when I heard about the museum, I thought I'd see dinosaur bones or at least a mosquito dipped in amber. But once we walked through the entry hallway into the museum, we had no idea that the exhibits would show nothing remotely prehistoric.

First we sat down and listened to the lame-as-all introduction video. We laughed at the visual of an old glove that emerged when the narrator said, "On the one hand ..." and again when the second appeared to show the other hand. We didn't know this tongue-and-cheek humor was intentional and would permeate throughout the entire museum.

In the first dimly-lit room I thought I saw my first fossilized mosquito. At a closer look, I realized it was sapphire-making machine, showing how to produce this as a man-made stone. We saw a glass case with some plastic plants in it with the audio mentioning the prehistoric era. Maybe the good stuff was later in the exhibit.

No it wasn't. For once we passed the wolf head in the glass case howling at off pitches in an eerie room, we were suspicious this wasn't the case.

Following the pitiful howls, we saw antler horns, a collection of weird doilies and dead mice on buttered toast. We saw Pope John Paul II literally through the eye of a needle, a man narrating his deteriorating "precious, lucky dice," and the modern history of trailer parks.

The weirdest section, though, concerned bizarre superstitions. One illustration showed salting your teeth to avoid bad luck. Another said spitting on a baby's birthmarks was curative and that good pastors spat on a baby's head during

baptism. My favorite said the cold breath of a duck could cure an infant's sickness and showed a duckbill inserted inside a child's mouth.

I'm not going to lie and say that I wouldn't recommend this place to a friend. The weird superstitions and random oddities were all entertaining. But when we really stopped to think about it, we came to see the Jurassic period and saw nothing more prehistoric than 19th century culture.

How can museums in LA get away with pretending to be something they're not? Could you imagine a Space and Air Smithsonian in D.C. that showed four-minute snippets of "Hello Dolly," or the Natural History Museum's center exhibit portray the evolution of the Smurfs?

More importantly, what is it about LA that attracts so much fakeness and furthermore applauds it? So many people prefer fake boobs, collagen lips and tummy tucks versus allowing someone to be a flawed human being. It seems like the Jennifer Gray culture wants to look "better" at the cost of losing a part of themselves.

I say this because she lost her famous facial features that made her somewhat recognizable to the public. And that seems to be OK for any extension of LA culture. It doesn't have to be what it says — the main factor is entertainment. Entertainment is an important factor in our daily lives, but could it hurt to bring back a little thing called sincerity? Whatever happened to saying "let's do lunch," and actually eating at Marmalade? It seems as if now that's only a trait seen on "Leave it to Beaver" and "The Andy Griffith Show," which are becoming prehistoric as it is.

LA's not the only city that has seen this trait come and go. In my time traveling in Europe this is one of the key features that makes an American himself — that and talking loudly while sporting white tennis shoes. But there are some places that lead this revolution more than others, and just once I'd like to go somewhere and see what I came for, even if it is an old boring fossil.

(Heidi likes looking at fossils and eating lunch with friends. To contact Heidi, e-mail her at anydayinla@gmail.com).



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STATE

Arnold supporters push for a White House run

BY BETH FOUHY

AP Political Writer

SAN FRANCISCO — Lissa Morgenthaler-Jones, a 47-year-old Silicon Valley money manager, wasn't prepared to think much of Arnold Schwarzenegger when she met him at a fund-raiser two years ago.

"I thought, 'Austrian meatball,'" she said. "But then five minutes after I met him, I thought, 'You could go all the way to the White House.'"

Morgenthaler-Jones signed on with Schwarzenegger's gubernatorial campaign during last year's recall and served on his finance committee.

A year after that historic election, she thinks the governor's office doesn't seem large enough for what she calls "Arnold Power."

Morgenthaler-Jones last week launched www.AmendforArnold.com, a campaign promoting a constitutional amendment to allow foreign-born citizens to run for president.

Schwarzenegger became an American citizen in 1983, 15 years after he immigrated to the United States from Austria. The governor has said he'd consider running for president if such an amendment passed but also taken pains to say it shouldn't be created specifically for him.

But most observers say Schwarzenegger and his vast popularity are the only reason the idea is being floated. Four bills seeking a Constitutional amendment already have been introduced in Congress.

Morgenthaler-Jones' campaign, supplemented by her purchase of television commercials in several California cities, has become something of an overnight sensation. Her Web site received more than 4 million hits in its first three days.

Timed to coincide with Schwarzenegger's one-year anniversary in office, AmendforArnold seemed a logical extension of the former actor and bodybuilder's improbable rise to political power.

"Arnold is the most popular Republican figure in the country," Morgenthaler-Jones said. "A lot of people understand what this means for moderates like us — we really wish there was a middle party, rather than the wing nuts running our lives."

Put more diplomatically, "wing nuts," are the conservatives who now broadly control the Republican party. That's a problem for Schwarzenegger, whose views on social issues do not reflect those of the most powerful GOP constituency.

Polls show President Bush won re-election in large part because of his appeal to conservative Christians and others who oppose abortion and gay marriage. Many conservatives have set as their next goal a constitutional amendment prohibiting gay marriage.

By contrast, Schwarzenegger supports abortion rights, stem cell research and civil unions for gay and lesbian couples. He's also said he would bend to the will of California voters if they decided to legalize gay marriage.

"I don't think there's any conceivable possibility of a constitutional amendment to allow Arnold Schwarzenegger to run for president. It's a huge effort, and for one person, it's never happened," said

Mat Staver of Liberty Counsel, a conservative legal advocacy group based in Florida. "And even if you could cross that insurmountable hurdle, he wouldn't garner the votes of moral conservatives."

Some Schwarzenegger critics have already have pounced.

On Thursday, an Austin, Texas, talk radio host launched Americans Against Arnold and an affiliated Web site dedicated to defeating the amendment movement.

Its Web site, www.arnoldexposed.com said the group is taking "defensive measures against Arnold Schwarzenegger's blitzkrieg attack on the Constitution because we love America and believe that the Founding Fathers were right: only someone born in America should be able to be President."

It goes on to say that Schwarzenegger's past, which includes allegations that he improperly groped women on movie sets, makes him unfit to be governor, much less president.

That's just one small indication of the uphill battle the Schwarzenegger presidential bandwagon would face.

First, for a Constitutional amendment to pass, it must be approved by two-thirds of both the Republican-controlled House and Senate. Three-quarters of the states would then have to ratify it.

"Right now, it's blue states and red states, and you've got to get 38 states to say yes," said Lou Sheldon, president of the Orange County-based Traditional Values Coalition and a frequent critic of Schwarzenegger's social views. "That could be a real problem for him in a lot of southern states."

Even if the amendment were to pass, Schwarzenegger would have real problems making his way through the Republican Party's presidential primaries.

The Rev. Jerry Falwell, an influential leader among religious conservatives, said he believed foreign-born citizens should have the right to run for president and that he would support amending the Constitution. But he also said Schwarzenegger would have to change his views on social issues to be a viable Republican presidential candidate.

"I could not be happier that he is governor of California, and his help in the recent re-election of George W. Bush is undeniable," Falwell said. "But the fact that he is not pro-life would probably prevent him from getting the nomination in the Republican primaries. I would hope he would rethink his position on those issues, so I could support him."

For her part, Morgenthaler-Jones said she couldn't believe conservatives would stand in the way of a Schwarzenegger candidacy.

"The party risks a real backlash because there are a lot of moderates like me who can't take it anymore," she said. "Arnold could be the 215-pound gorilla to pull the party back to the center."

As to his protestations that the proposed amendment shouldn't be about him, Morgenthaler-Jones laughs.

"I love the fact that he's such a bad liar," she said. "I think that's a good quality in a politician."

STATE



Gardena looking for a break from bankers

BY MICHAEL R. BLOOD
Associated Press Writer

LOS ANGELES — With \$26 million in debt payments due next month, the city of Gardena is hoping its bankers show some holiday generosity.

The Los Angeles suburb can't afford the bill, the bulk of which came from a dubious decision to finance an insurance company more than a decade ago. So, for the second time since the late 1990s, city officials are trying to dodge bankruptcy by trying to renegotiate the debt.

In an opening gambit in what could be months of negotiations, officials want Japanese-owned Sumitomo Trust & Banking Co. to forgive or reduce the city's \$20.1 million debt stemming from the flopped insurance company.

"Japanese banks have written off a large percentage of their foreign loans. We're hopeful that they will think our city is one of those cases," Mayor Terrence Terauchi said. "We are not in a significantly different position from a business that has hit upon a hard time."

Gardena's banks, Sumitomo and Union Bank of California haven't disclosed their plans. Union Bank is owed more than \$6 million that financed a troubled home-loan program.

Terauchi and other officials said the city of 60,000 has few options to raise cash on a debt that nearly equals Gardena's annual general fund budget.

The financial crisis is likely to follow one of three scenarios ahead of Gardena's December payment deadline, according to financial and legal experts.

The banks could agree to new terms, such as forgiveness of all or part of the debts or an extended repayment period, which would almost certainly carry higher interest costs for taxpayers. This would avoid a legal battle which could take years to resolve.

Under a second option, one or both of the banks could go to court to seek a judgment against Gardena, which would lead to costly litigation with no guarantee of getting the money.

As a last resort, Gardena could file for bankruptcy, a rarely used strategy in which the city would need to be deemed

insolvent and seek state authority to go to court. Bankruptcy would shield the city from its creditors, but the long-term damage to its reputation and credit could make it extremely expensive to borrow money in the future.

"It's almost always the case that a negotiated settlement, if one can be reached, will be less costly ... less disruptive in terms of uncertainty and quicker than a litigated solution," said Edward Janger, resident scholar at the American Bankruptcy Institute.

The City Council plans to meet Tuesday, though the financial crisis wasn't a topic scheduled for public discussion.

The debts were secured with city property — including a pool, the community center, the police station and gymnasiums. If the city defaults, officials fear the banks could attempt to claim the collateral, although Terauchi said it wouldn't be worth the trouble.

"The assessed value of the property ... is not anywhere close to \$26 million. I don't think it's even half of \$26 million," the mayor said. "If they did foreclose, they would become the owners and maintain the property. That would be much more expensive than it was worth."

Sumitomo has declined comment. Union Bank has said little, other than confirming it is negotiating with the city.

Gardena used \$10 million from a municipal bond to start the Municipal Mutual Insurance Co. in 1993. The plan called for the company to pay off the debt, but it never made money and is now under state oversight, all but out of business.

The debt ballooned to more than \$20 million after the city borrowed again in 1999 to pay of its old loan. At the same time, the home-loan program sputtered, leaving the city with another \$6 million hole.

Given its dire financial condition, Gardena's hopes for a break from the banks might be realistic.

"Gardena may have significant leverage," said Alexander Laughlin, a bankruptcy expert at a Washington law firm, "because of the amount of debt owed ... would cause a creditor to make concessions that they wouldn't ordinarily make."

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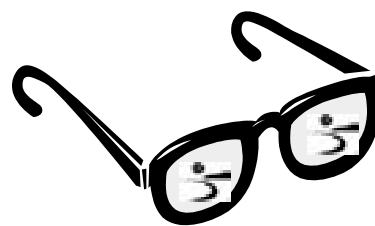
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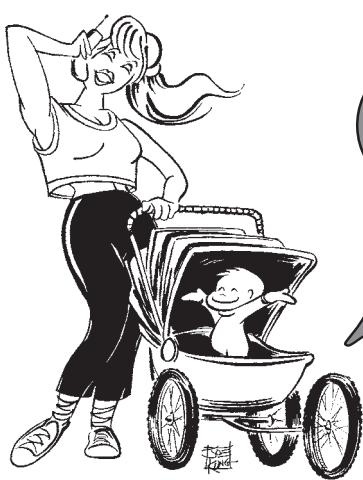


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DEAR DORIE

'Terrible two' syndrome kicks in

Dear Dorie,

I thought I had figured out my 2-year-old. No such chance. I let her dress herself, pick out her clothes from two choices, make as many of her own decisions as possible, etc. But the past two weeks, we have a huge struggle at least once or twice a day. It's usually when I am trying to get her dressed to get out the door in the morning. We hit the park or storytime or some other fun place every morning. She naps so much better when we get outside. But, now she ends up upset, crying hysterically and I end up frustrated and angry. Help! The biggest change lately is that she keeps changing her mind — from one dress to the other, over and over.

She also resists putting on a diaper to go out. She's almost ready for panties but not quite. I let her go naked at home most of the time but I have to explain everyday about putting on a diaper to go out. I am mainly worried about having to physically force a diaper, clothes, etc. on her and also the fact that she is having these big emotional meltdowns. Are either of these things harmful for her?

Dear mom,

In parenting, there's the educated advice and the gut response. Both apply here. Let's start with the advice: Two-year-old temper tantrums are quite normal and a sign of healthy social/emotional development. Your daughter is confident in your love for her and your ability to keep her safe. This translates to the blessing and the curse of "I can really show my anger around Mommy."

When a 2-year-old is upset, she can't help but let you know it. Everything, good and bad, is important to her and the skill to emotionally "hold back" has not yet been developed. Twos get angry, frustrated, hit you or throw toys at the wall and then it's over and they're happy again laughing deliriously. This is still an ego-centric phase and your daughter is legitimately upset when absolutely everything doesn't go her way.

With a well-established morning exit routine, wild behavior usually indicates a need to set limits while crying over seemingly trivial things signals a need for attention. In this example though, the gut response kicks in. Who needs to go out for the morning? She is sending clear signals that she wants to stay home with Mommy and, call me crazy, do nothing. Maybe a late morning or early afternoon routine would be more soothing? Maybe a few "pajama days" with Mom will help. Maybe naked at home is part of her toilet learning process and she wants/needs to experiment with it. There are a number of possible scenarios but she is telling you, stay home with me a little while. If you're in a position to do it, go for it.

(Dorie Meek is director of the Infant & Family Support Program, provided by Saint John's Health Center in partnership with the Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District. Meek answers questions concerning children ages birth to 5 years old. Submit your questions to "Dear Dorie" at meek@smmusd.org, or call (310) 452-6132; fax (310) 452-6392.)

GUEST COMMENTARY BY DAVID J. BREDEHOFT, PH.D.

Parents aren't doing their children any favors by being their best friends

Ian Pierpoint of Synovate, a market research company, recently surveyed 1,000 parents who lived with children ages 12 to 30, and an additional 500 children in the same age range in the US, UK and Canada. Pierpoint found that:

- 43 percent of parents say they want to be their child's best friend.
- 40 percent would buy their children everything they wanted if they could.
- 37 percent would prefer their kids at home at all times because they want to protect them.
- 71 percent of parental child purchases are made without any child request. Parents guessed at what their teen or young adult would want rather than something he or she asked for.
- 47 percent of the teens say they intend to stay home as long as they can.
- 41 percent of 20-24 year olds are living at home.
- 56 percent of parents are in no hurry for their children to leave home.
- 72 percent of parents would welcome their children back at any time.
- 65 percent of teens believe their parents "try hard to be a friend."
- 40 percent of teens indicated they would raise their own kids differently.

Further, Pierpoint said a best-friend parent "doesn't give you rules and tell you what to do." Best-friend parents interviewed for this study felt their own parents didn't understand them and that is why they want to be seen by their children as someone who is fun to be

around, listens and is non-judgmental. (Sources: Personal communication with Ian Pierpoint and the USA Today, Oct. 12, 2004, p. 8D).

Best-friend parenting raises a number of questions. What does it mean to be a friend? What does it mean to parent? Can parents be friends with their children, and in doing so, do they abdicate parental responsibilities in exchange for friendship? How is a friend-to-friend relationship different from a parent-to-child relationship? Is there a difference between being a friend and being friendly? Is being a best-friend parent good for children, or is it a form of overindulgence? If so, what type?

I would argue that the role of parent and friend are very different — perhaps even conflicting. The Oxford English Dictionary defines a parent as "A person who holds the position or exercises the functions of a parent; a protector, guardian." Friends are on the same level with you, equal in power while parents should hold more power than their children. Parents should be friendly, but should resist the urge to become a best friend. This can happen when the child becomes an adult.

When children are young, parents have very clear jobs. They make decisions in the best interests of children's development. They say appropriate yes's and no's. They role model. They teach. They mentor. From time to time, they insist. They stand fast as consultants to their children as their children become ever more skillful and responsible. They act to keep children safe. They discipline. These are not the hallmarks of an equalized friend relationship. Friendly, yes. Best friend, no.

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SAT. & SUN., NOV. 27 & 28

THE WESTSIDE BALLET presents THE NUT-CRACKER for its 31st year. Smothers Theatre, Pepperdine University, 2425 PCH. Call 556-3227 or visit www.westsidetal.com for more info.

TURTLE and TORTOISE EVENT – 10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Natural History Museum of LA County, 900 Exposition Blvd. Meet live turtles and tortoises from around the world. Fun activities and crafts. For all ages. Free with museum admission: \$8 adults, \$2 children. 213-763-3466.

CHRISTMAS TREE TRAIN – Departs 10:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m.

Ride the train to pick out a Christmas tree and meet Santa onboard. \$20 adults, \$10 ages 4-12, \$6 under 4. Tree price not included. Reservations recommended. Fillmore & Western Railway Company, 250 Central Ave., Fillmore, 805-524-2546. Sat. & Sun. thru Dec. 19. The North Pole Express begins Dec. 3 – check back next week for details.

SUN., NOV. 28

FAIRYTALE DANCE & MUSIC – A dance performance of Tchaikovsky’s The Nutcracker Suite. 12:30 p.m. at LA County Museum of Art, 5909 Wilshire Blvd., 323-857-6000, www.lacma.org.

COMING UP – TUES., NOV. 30th – CPR

TRAINING – FREE!

6:00 p.m., Santa Monica Airport, free parking. Call Dr. Harris at 393-7758 for reservations and more info. Ages 16 and up.

Special Note – Mommy Care classes at the Dance Factory have moved to 11606 San Vicente Blvd., Brentwood. Please see the calendar listings for schedule updates.

TUESDAY

Movies for Moms!

Nov. 23th – “Friday Night Lights” starring Billy Bob Thornton, Derek Luke and Jay Hernandez. Drama, Rated “PG-13.” 11:00 a.m., Loews Broadway, 1441 3rd St. Promenade – for Moms and babies newborn – 1 year old. Doors open early for socializing and getting comfortable. Visit www.enjoytheshow.com/reelmoms for details.

Storytelling

Main Library – held at Reed Park, corner of 7th and Wilshire.

Toddler Storytime; 10:00 & 10:30 a.m. For 2 year olds with adult.

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

Cuentos Para Pequenos – 10:00 a.m., six-week series in Spanish for 24 – 36 month olds with adult. Current session thru Dec. 7. **Lap Time** – 11:00 a.m, six-week series for babies 0-24 months, co-sponsored by the SMMUSD Infant & Family Support Programs. Current session thru Dec. 7. Twilight Story Time -7pm – an ongoing program for 3-5 year olds.

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

Family Story Time – 7:00 p.m., all ages. **Terrific Tuesdays** – 3:30 p.m., every other Tuesday, Nov. 9 & 23. Stories and crafts for ages 5 – 9.

Ocean Park Branch Library – 2601 Main St. – 310-392-3804.

Toddler Storytime, 10:00 and 10:30. Music, rhymes and stories for 24-36 month olds.

Tiny Tuesday Storytime at Storyopolis For ages infant to 3. 11:00 a.m. 116 North Robertson, Plaza A, LA. 310-358-2500, www.storyopolis.com

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

Classes

YWCA – A Place for Parents – Toddler & Me (1-3 years) – 9:15 – 10:15 a.m.; Infant & Me, Transitional Group (7 – 14 mos.) – 10:45 – 11:45 a.m.; Infant & Me (0-12 mos.)

– 1:30 – 2:30 p.m.; classes in partnership with the Infant and Family Support Program. 2019 14th St. Call 452-3881for details and prices.

Yoga & Exercise

Prenatal Aqua Aerobics at the Santa Monica YMCA

10:00 – 11:00 a.m and 7:30 – 8:30 p.m; Free for members, non-members \$90 for 10 classes. (also Thursday nights 7:30 – 8:30 p.m.) 393-2721. ext. 117 for more info.

Yoga Works – 2215 Montana Ave, 310-393-5150; Pre/postnatal – 12:15 – 1:40 p.m., \$15. Mommy and Me – 1:45 – 3:00 p.m.

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

Breastfeeding Group

The Pump Station, 2415 Wilshire Blvd., 310-826-5774 - no pre-reg required, first class free, \$10 fee thereafter. Moms/babies 0-4 months, 1:00 – 2:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY

Storytelling

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

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

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

Preschool Story Time – 10:30 a.m.; six-week series for 3-5 year olds with adult. Next session Nov. 3 – Dec. 8

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

Lap Time - 10:00 & 10:30 a.m., for ages 0-2.

Toddler Story Time – 11:15 a.m., for 2 year olds.

Ocean Park Branch Library – 2601 Main St. –392-3804.

Preschool Twilight Story Time – 7:00 – 7:30 p.m. Parents/children ages 3-5.

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

Border’s, Westwood – 11am – 310-475-3444.

Classes

Rhythm Child Parent & Me Rhythms, Santa Monica Studios, 3025 Olympic Blvd., 9:30 – 10:15 a.m. Children explore rhythms through drum play. Ages 6 mos. – 3.5 years; \$15 per session. Call 204-5466

or visit www.rhythmchild.net for more info.

YWCA – A Place for Parents – Parent Support (3 – 5 years) – 9:15 – 10:15 a.m.; Infant Plus (0-12 mos.) – 10:30 a.m. – noon; Parents of Adolescents Support Group – 7:00 – 8:30 p.m. 2019 14th St. Call 452-3881for details and prices.

Yoga & Exercise

Yoga Works, 2215 Montana Ave, 310-393-5150 Pre/Postnatal – 12:15 – 1:45pm, \$15

Fitness for Moms – Babies Welcome! Step Aerobics, 10:30 a.m. at the YMCA, 393-2721, ext. 117 for more info. Free for members, non-members pay \$90 for 10 classes.

Breastfeeding Group

The Pump Station, 2415 Wilshire Blvd., 310-826-5774, no pre-reg required, first class free, \$10 fee thereafter. Moms/babies 0-4 months, 1:00 – 2:30 p.m.

Other

Puppetolio – 1:00 p.m., 310-656-0483, 1255 2nd St., ages 3 & up, reservations suggested

THURSDAY

HAPPY THANKSGIVING!

FRIDAY

La Leche League of LA/Mar Vista – meets the 2nd Friday of each month at 10:00 a.m. Call 310-390-2529 for info.

Classes

Classes at the YWCA and the Electric lodge are canceled for this week.

Yoga & Exercise – these classes are confirmed for Friday, Nov. 26.

Fitness for Moms – Babies Welcome! Indoor Cycling, 10:30 a.m. at the YMCA, 393-2721, ext. 117 for more info. Free for members, non-members pay \$90 for 10 classes.

Yoga Works – 2215 Montana Ave, 310-393-5150; Pre/postnatal – 12:15 – 1:45 p.m., \$15.

Other

Baby Attuned - Fridays, 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m., A new program promoting sensitive parenting and developmental awareness. Learn about and keep a record of your baby’s unique development, ages 3 to 60 months. Parent-completed developmental screening, with review and feedback from a licensed clinical developmental psychologist and experienced pediatric nurse practitioner.

er, Eileen Escarce, PhD, MSN. (PSY 18819). Introductory fee: \$15 per screening with feedback. 1137 2nd Ave, Suite 213. By appointment only 310-367-1155.

SATURDAY

Storytelling

Barnes and Noble, 3rd St. Promenade – Kid’s Story Time – 10am – 310-260-9110

Barnes and Noble, Westside Pavilion – 10:30am – ages 2-5 – 310-475-4144.

Children’s Book World, 10580 1/2 Pico Blvd, LA - 10:30 a.m., 310-559-B00K.

Village Books, 1049 SwarthmoreAve, Pacific Palisades – 10:30 a.m. – 454-4063.

Yoga & Exercise

Santa Monica Yoga – Pre- & Post-Natal Yoga, Saturdays – 12:30 – 2:00 p.m.

1640 Ocean Park Blvd, 396-4040, www.santamonicaayoga.com

Mommy Care – at the Dance Factory, 11606 San Vicente Blvd., Brentwood, 310-394-6711. Combined Pregnancy/Recovery Exercise Group – 8:30 – 9:30 a.m.(babies welcome, includes baby massage and workout at the end)

Other

Snowwhite and Mary-Mary Quite Contrary at the Santa Monica Playhouse

Alternating Saturdays & Sundays at 12:30 & 3:00 p.m. thru Dec. 19th , \$12 adults, \$10 kids ages 12 & under. 394-9779 ext. 2 for reservations, www.santamonicaplayhouse.com

Puppetolio – 1:00 and 3:00pm, 310-656-0483, 1255 2nd St., ages 3 & up, reservations suggested

Magicopolis – 2 and 8 p.m., 1418 4th St., Admission is \$20 for evening, \$15 for matinee. Call 310-451-2241 for info.

Precious Prints – Ceramic Heirlooms for a Lifetime, Second Saturday every month at The Pump Station, 1:00 – 4:00 p.m. Contact Kristan Ritchie at 310-802-8013 or visit www.preciousprintsstudios.com for more info.

Breastfeeding

Working Mother’s Support Group

The Pump Station, 2415 Wilshire Blvd. - 10:00 – 11:30 a.m., \$12 fee, led by Ilka Sternberger, certified lactation educator. Call 826-5774 for more info.

SUNDAY

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Main Street Farmer’s Market – 9:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m., corner of Main St. and Ocean Park Blvd. Pony rides, live music, lots of vendors and great family socializing.

Puppetolio – 1:00 and 3:00pm, 310-656-0483, 1255 2nd St., ages 3 & up, reservations suggested

Magicopolis – 2 p.m., 1418 4th St., Admission is \$15. Call 310-451-2241 for info.

Family Fundays at the Will Geer Theatricum Botanicum

Ages 4 and up, 11:00 a.m., \$8, 1419 N. Topanga Blvd., Topanga Canyon, 310-455-3723.

MONDAY

Storytelling

Main Library – Lap Time at Joslyn Park, Craft Room, 9:30 a.m. A series for babies up to two years old.

“Family Connections” - 10:00 a.m. Joslyn Park, Craft Room.

Ocean Park Branch Library – 2601 Main Street, 310-392-3804.

“Spanish for Little Ones”, 11:15 a.m. Current session Nov. 8 – Dec. 16.

Barnes and Noble, 3rd St. Promenade – Toddler Story Time – 10am – 310-260-9110

MOMS Club of Santa Monica – New Mother Group – for new moms with babies ages 0-6 months. Meet for conversation, support and playtime. All new Moms welcome!

Call Clare at 395-7422 for time, location and more info.

Classes

YWCA – A Place for Parents – Toddler & Me (1-3 years) – 9:20 – 10:20 a.m.; Parent Support (1-3 years) – 10:30 – 11:30 a.m. 2019 14th St. Call 452-3881for details and prices.

Breastfeeding Group

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Yoga & Exercise

Yoga Works, 2215 Montana Ave, 310-393-5150 Pre/Postnatal – 12:15 – 1:45pm, \$15 Yoga Garden, - Restorative yoga for pre/postnatal – 6:30 p.m., 310-450-0133. www.yogagardenstudios.com

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NATIONAL

Gay marriage debate won't end anytime soon

BY DAVID CRARY

AP National Writer

NEW YORK — "Protection of marriage" is now the watchword for many activists fighting to prevent gays and lesbians from marrying. Some conservatives, however, say marriage in America began unraveling long before the latest gay-rights push and are pleading for a fresh, soul-searching look at the institution.

"When you talk about protecting marriage, you need to talk about divorce," said Bryce Christensen, a Southern Utah University professor who writes frequently about family issues.

While Christensen doesn't oppose the campaign to enact state and federal bans on gay marriage, he worries it's distracting from immediate threats to marriage's place in society.

"If those initiatives are part of a broader effort to reaffirm lifetime fidelity in marriage, they're worthwhile," he said. "If they're isolated — if we don't address cohabitation and casual divorce and deliberate childlessness — then I think they're futile and will be brushed aside."

Gay-rights supporters, during their recent losing battles against gay-marriage bans in 11 states, often argued that if marriage in America was in fact troubled, it was heterosexuals — not gays — who bore the blame.

"That was the best argument same-sex marriage advocates had: 'Where were you when no-fault divorce went through?'" said Allan Carlson, a conservative scholar who runs a family-studies center in Rockford, Ill. "Any thoughtful defender of marriage has to say, 'You're right. We were asleep at the switch in the '60s and '70s.'"

Carlson hopes the same-sex marriage debate will encourage a broader national conversation.

"For the first time in about 50 years we are honestly looking at the state of marriage in America, and what we have allowed to happen to it," he said. "I hope the conservative side will do a little soul-searching and look for ways to rebuild traditional marriage into something stronger."

Carlson decries no-fault divorce, where neither spouse is held responsible for the breakup, but acknowledges that its demise is not imminent. He proposes more modest steps: tax revisions benefiting married couples, a more positive portrayal of marriage in textbooks, policies aiding young college graduates so they could afford to marry sooner.

In several of the states that approved gay-marriage bans on Nov. 2, initiatives are underway to bolster heterosexual marriage. A bill pending in Michigan's legislature would encourage premarital education; Arkansas Gov. Mike Huckabee and his wife have invited 1,000 couples to join them in a Valentine's Day covenant mar-

riage ceremony in which they would voluntarily reduce their options for a quick divorce.

However, gay-rights supporters say slogans like "protection of marriage" are mostly used as code for anti-gay sentiment to further partisan aims.

"There's clearly a divide about what constitutes a healthy marriage," said Corri Planck of the Family Pride Coalition, which represents gay and lesbian families. "But there are countless gay and lesbian couples who, if they had legal recognition, would hold up their relations as models of good marriage."

Jordan Lorence, a Phoenix-based lawyer with the conservative Alliance Defense Fund, has been active fighting same-sex marriage, but he agrees with those who see marriage facing broader challenges.

"For decades, Christians have been guilty for having a weak defense of marriage," he told the Christian Post earlier this year. "Marriage has become a junior high school dating scene where if I am unhappy I could divorce my husband or wife and move on to someone else."

In a telephone interview, Lorence said Americans face a choice of whether to view marriage as primarily an act of individual satisfaction or as an institution serving the communal good.

"That's the big battle line," he said. "I think people's attitudes are shifting, and they're saying the traditional way makes a lot of sense — that you can't just get divorced at the drop of a hat."

Many of the groups campaigning against same-sex marriage evoke "the sanctity of marriage" yet make little or no mention of the problem of divorce.

One group, the Alliance for Marriage, has focused almost entirely in the past two years on advocating a federal amendment that would ban gay marriage. The alliance's president, Matt Daniels, said the proposed ban is an essential starting point for other initiatives to strengthen heterosexual marriage — such as promoting family-friendly workplace policies.

"No one in the alliance believes saving the legal status of marriage as between man and woman will alone be sufficient to stem the tide of family disintegration," Daniels said. "But if we lose that legal status, we lose the policy tool we need to pursue our broader agenda."

Stephanie Coontz, a professor at Evergreen State College in Olympia, Wash., and author of a new history of marriage, said passing anti-gay amendments in hopes of returning marriage to some bygone traditional status is futile.

"Heterosexuals changed marriage, not gays and lesbians," she said. "None of these measures is going to change the fact that marriage no longer plays the same central economic and political role that it used to. ... People see it as more optional."

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LOCAL

Don't be an 'overindulger' by giving your children friendship

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Let's apply the "Test of Four" to best-friend parenting:

Is being a best-friend parent good for children, or is it a form of overindulgence? The "Test of Four" says parents may be overindulgent if the answer is "yes" to one or more of the following questions:

1. Will being a best-friend parent interfere with or slow down what my child needs to learn at this age? (Yes. Children in this study and our studies reported growing up without many of the life skills needed to function as adults, because their best-friend parent did things for them.)

2. Will being a best-friend parent spend a disproportionate amount of family resources on one or more of my children? (Yes. When asked, 40 percent said they would buy their children everything they wanted, and 73 percent guess, and then buy things for their children without asking.)

3. Is best-friend parenting done to benefit the parent more than the child? (Yes. They said they were parenting this way because they felt their own parents didn't understand them. They want their children to accept them.)

4. Does best-friend parenting potentially harms others, society, or the planet in some way? (Possibly. Children raised by best-friend parents won't follow rules because their parents didn't set guidelines or rules.)

Best-friend parenting equal all three types of overindulgence.

I believe best-friend parenting is a form of overindulge. It overindulges children in all three ways: too much, over nurture and soft structure. Best-friend parents buy everything for their children: Too much.

They want to protect their children by keeping them home as long as they can and cater to their every desire: over nurture. They don't set limits or enforce rules: soft structure. Further, our research shows that overindulgence harms children and they too are more likely to become less effective parents when they grow up.

Tips for avoiding overindulgence

■ Be friendly to your children, but not their best friend.

■ Expect your children to do chores.

■ Develop meaningful relationships with the adults in your life.

■ Set limits and discuss them with your children.

■ Enforce the limits you set.

■ If you are over-involved with your child, begin the process of emancipation in a thoughtful and caring way for both of you.

To participate in a our on-going research on overindulgence, log onto our Web site at www.overindulgence.info <<http://www.overindulgence.info>>.

(David J. Bredehoft Ph.D., Jean Illsley Clarke Ph.D., and Connie Dawson Ph.D., are co-authors of "How Much Is Enough? Everything You Need to Know to Steer Clear of Overindulgence and Raise Likeable, Responsible and Respectful Children — From Toddlers to Teens." Bredehoft is chair of the social and behavioral sciences department at Concordia University in St. Paul, Minn. and can be reached at bredehoft@csp.edu. To read more about overindulgence go to www.overindulgence.info <<http://www.overindulgence.info>>.)

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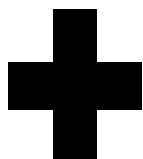
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Small businesses argue national labs are needed

BY HEATHER CLARK

Associated Press Writer

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. — Rudy Gonzalez sold his house in Virginia, moved back home to the Southwest and set up the office for his new construction company in a downtown apartment.

After Builtek Construction Inc. finished its first job building housing for U.S. Border Patrol agents in Big Bend, Texas, the 30-year-old entrepreneur was broke.

But his small company had the start of a good reputation, and six years later, Builtek has a \$2 million subcontract to build the walls and doors of a nanotechnology facility at Sandia National Laboratories.

Walking among workers in hard hats and construction equipment in the partially finished structure, Gonzalez said, "If it wasn't for Sandia, a company like mine would have never seen a project like this."

Still, Gonzalez and other small business advocates say national laboratories could do more to support small companies by increasing direct contracts to them.

At Los Alamos National Laboratory in northern New Mexico, there has been a recent decline in the amount of money going to small businesses. On the other hand, Sandia and the Waste Isolation Pilot Project near Carlsbad have seen increases in money paid to small companies.

Richard Marquez, Los Alamos lab's associate director for administration, said the lab's efforts to recruit small businesses were sidetracked by a procurement scandal early last year.

That resulted in the drop in money spent on small business contracts — from \$431 million in fiscal 2002 to \$417 million the next fiscal year.

"We've got to stop that trend and get it back up to a healthy profile," Marquez said.

In July, the lab was able to begin refocusing its efforts and some contracts suitable for small businesses are now in the pipeline, he said.

But small businesses doing work at Los Alamos have yet to feel the effects.

The lab has "been in a shutdown mode, and it's had a huge impact on small business people," said Tina Cordova, president and co-owner of Queston Construction Inc.

Her company has not seen a direct contract from Los Alamos in 18 months, although typically it has had as many as 20 employees working there, she said.

Even with his work at Sandia, Gonzalez said his company has had a tough few months, working with a large out-of-state company and nearly going bankrupt after 4 1/2 months of delays.

Gonzales said Sandia worked with him and increased his contract to cover the additional expenses.

"To their credit, they came on board," he said.

Gonzalez believes the labs should put mechanisms in place so large contractors can't save construction costs on the backs of small businesses.

Theresa Carson, manager of supplier information and relations at Sandia labs, said the lab has taken a lot of initiatives to encourage small businesses — from small business fairs to posting business opportunities on its Web site.

Sandia and WIPP also have unbundled contracts — breaking large projects into smaller jobs that small businesses can bid for.

Sandia's efforts have increased the amount of money going to small business from \$360 million in fiscal year 2001 to \$459 million two years later. But the percentage of contracts going to small businesses decreased from 69 percent to 53 percent over the same period.

The percentage decline was due to larger companies getting contracts on the Mesa Project, the largest capital construction project ever undertaken at the lab.

But, Carson said, the lab tried to protect small businesses by requiring large companies to include them as subcontractors. The move allowed companies like Gonzalez's to get some of the business.

And although this year has been tough for small businesses trying to get contracts at Los Alamos, Marquez said that's about to change. He is shooting to have at least 50 percent of the lab's procurement dollars going to small business — up from the 43 percent in fiscal year 2003.

The lab's Business Advisory Council is working on such issues as how to make bidding for lab contracts more transparent by better communicating business standards to small businesses, he said.

"We typically haven't done a very good job of communicating those in advance," he said.

Marquez also said town meetings with small business owners are helping.

Cordova, who has attended two such meetings, agreed they have been "very beneficial."

The Department of Energy's Waste Isolation Pilot Project is the bright spot when it comes to small business.

In fiscal year 2003, 86 percent of the procurement money was paid to small firms, said Bob Prentiss of Washington TRU Solutions, which runs WIPP.

The money going to small business has increased from \$20 million in fiscal year 2001 to \$38.6 million two years later.

"There's this tremendous versatility and expertise out there in the small business world," Prentiss said.

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Migrants find many ways to finance trip to U.S.

BY ANABELLE GARAY

Associated Press Writer

ALTAR, Mexico — Migrants make their way through the dusty streets of this northern Mexico town toting backpacks stuffed with a few belongings and carting jugs of water to sustain them on their upcoming treks into the Arizona desert.

Many also carry another burden: the debt they've incurred to make a trip to the United States.

Despite humble lives, migrants such as those crammed temporarily into Altar's squalid boarding houses often pay thousands of dollars to finance trips to the United States, where they will work menial jobs to support themselves and families back home.

They do everything from putting their property up as collateral to finding loan sharks to asking relatives for money to pay smugglers and other costs.

Carlos Enrique Cano Vanega hopped trains from Honduras to Altar, barely bringing enough money to also pay the bribes demanded by Central American authorities to let him through.

The 29-year-old worked on the family farm raising pigs and growing corn and beans, using his cut of harvest earnings for the trip. His father also sold a plot of land in their native San Pedro Sula, Honduras, to give Cano money for the journey.

"My dad said, 'I'm going to help you out with what I can,'" Cano said while resting at a migrant shelter in Altar, a popular staging area for migrants planning to cross the border at Arizona. "So I'm planning on helping them out with what I can."

Smuggling fees range from around \$1,000 for Mexicans to several thousand dollars for migrants from elsewhere.

The methods for paying them can be as varied as the people, and they can prove as treacherous in their own way as the hazardous mountain and desert terrain migrants must cross in many areas to get into the country.

"People are very creative, they're constantly coming up with ways," said David Kyle, an assistant professor of sociology at the University of California-Davis who studies migration patterns.

At the Altar shelter, 60 miles south of the Arizona border, migrants tell coordinator Francisco Garcia of signing over their land to lenders.

The loan sharks charge interest rates ranging from 10 percent compounded monthly to 15 percent compounded daily, causing migrants to lose their possessions within a few weeks, Garcia said.

The cycle keeps loan sharks gaining more and adds to the urgency migrants feel to try to cross into the United States to find a job, Garcia said.

"They tell me 'Even if I went back, I wouldn't have anything to pay with,'" he said. "Imagine that you're far away from your hometown and you promised your family and your neighbors a lot of things and you incurred a debt."

There are also stories of migrants offering up homes and cars as collateral to lenders, some of whom are associated with smugglers.

"You don't have to have the money in hand before you go because there are people who have turned this into a business," Kyle said.

"It's a pyramid scheme. As long as

there's new people coming into this," loan sharks continue gaining money and assets and their lending capabilities grow.

Other migrants, particularly those from South America, employ subterfuge.

They doctor assets by temporarily putting homes, cars and land in their name and transferring money into their accounts. That helps them obtain a U.S. tourist visa by showing that they are likely to return home, where they have possessions.

Once in the United States, the immigrants overstay their visas and assets revert to the original owners.

Smugglers may also call potential sponsors to ask if they'll pay to bring friends or relatives over, said Armando R. Garcia, a supervisory special agent with U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement in Phoenix.

Repayment for the illegal trek can be either a strict or informal process. Relatives may charge interest or expect a service. Other times, migrants must help the family financially or contribute when relatives are pooling funds to bring another person over.

"The family is even banking on that person," Kyle said. "It's sort of like an extended family investment."

Once in the United States, the family and social bonds the immigrants themselves crave encourage repayment of the smuggling debt, said Rey Koslowski, an associate professor of political science at Rutgers University who studies human smuggling.

"Somebody who takes but doesn't pitch in later, they might not be as willing to assist them in the future," he said. "They could take off to another town, but they wouldn't have that network to help them in the future."

Smugglers also cash in on their relationships to recruit from their hometowns, sometimes offering migrants they know a break on fees, said Salvador Reza, coordinator of the advocacy group Tonatierra.

"He just brings them over and says 'Ay, pagame despues,' or 'Pay me so much every month,'" Reza said.

Although such arrangements aren't too common, they tend to happen in field work or restaurants, with contractors or owners paying smuggling fees and migrants working to pay off the debt, immigration officials say.

In some cases, migrants can take up to five years to erase their smuggling debt, Kyle said.

But anytime migrants use smugglers, they're taking risks, from the dangers inherent in dealing with a criminal element to the chance they'll be held by coyotes looking to extort more money from the migrants' families.

Luis Vazquez Ortiz, a Mexican illegal immigrant, said he remained locked and bound in a motel room for a week because his uncle could only pay the agreed upon \$2,000 fee and not the extra \$1,000 smugglers were demanding.

"They would say to me 'Why doesn't the money come in? If that money doesn't come in, you'll die here!'" he recalled the smugglers saying.

"When I remember it, it saddens me," Vazquez said in Spanish as he waited for work at a day labor center in Phoenix. "My family, if they come and the same thing happens to them — well, they're better off over there."

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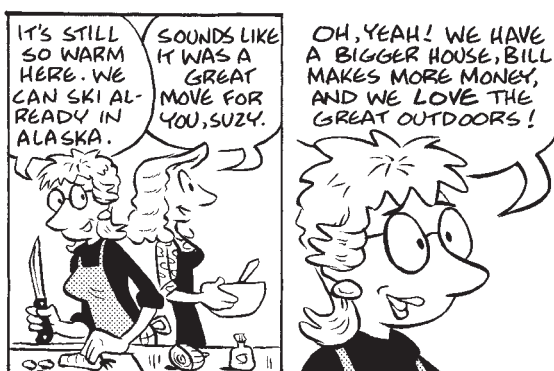
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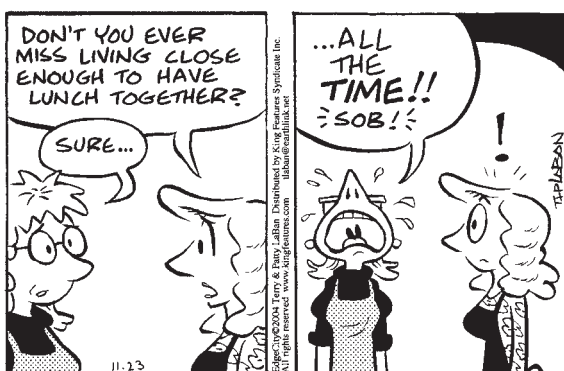
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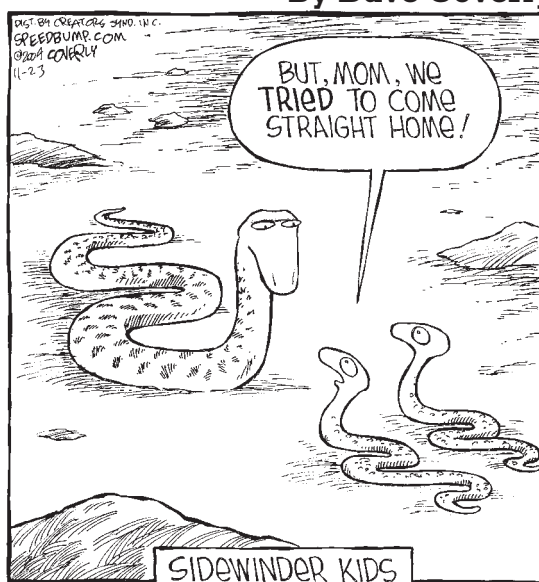
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PEOPLE IN THE NEWS

Bale refrains from food for role in 'The Machinist'

By The Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — Veteran actors Orson Bean and Charles Durning have taken on TV roles that touch on very different periods in their youths.

Bean, 76, who was blacklisted for a year during the anti-communist fervor of the 1950s, guest starred on "Cold Case" as a former communist sympathizer now suspected in an unsolved 1953 murder case.

Durning, 81, a decorated World War II veteran, appears in "NCIS" as a man who claims to have murdered a fellow Marine while fighting at Iwo Jima in 1945.

The "Cold Case" episode with Bean, titled "Red Glare," aired Sunday. Durning is in Tuesday's episode of "NCIS."

Bean said he wasn't averse to revisiting the controversial period in which actors, writers and others in Hollywood faced a loss of work if they were tagged as communists or fellow travelers.

His TV career was briefly stalled but he didn't suffer the prolonged ostracism that crushed others in the industry, Bean said.

Durning, who has been in such films as "State and Main" and "The Hudsucker Proxy," took part in the Normandy invasion and was wounded in the Battle of the Bulge. He holds three Purple Hearts and a Silver Star.

Durning said he applauds "NCIS" for reminding viewers of history.

"I enjoyed the part," Durning said. "I enjoyed that it was about my era, my time in the sun, I guess you'd call it."

SAN FRANCISCO — To lose 63 pounds, Christian Bale stopped eating and kept on moving.

Normally weighing in at 185 pounds, the actor adhered to a fairly uncomplicated weight-loss regimen for the movie "The Machinist." He ignored food and ramped up his fat-burning power by running.

"I didn't look at the script and think, 'Oh my God, I

get a chance to lose weight for this movie. Yes!'" Bale told the San Francisco Chronicle in Sunday's editions. "That would have been moronic. It was a matter of me liking the script so much that I wanted to achieve what I felt was necessary."

In "The Machinist," Bale plays Trevor Reznik, a paranoid, forgetful, guilt-ridden factory worker who is beset by hallucinations because he hasn't slept for a year.

LILLEHAMMER, Norway — A nine-year-old Spanish girl won the second annual Junior Eurovision Song Contest.

Nine-year-old Maria Isabel won the top prize Saturday with her song "Antes Muerta Que Sencilla" ("I'd Rather Be Dead than Plain"), an ode to good clothes, good times and standing tall in the face of criticism by others.

The Ayamone native took an early lead in the balloting by viewers throughout Europe and never relinquished it.

Soloists, duos and bands performed original songs in their native language in the contest, a youth-version of the wildly popular Eurovision Song Contest, most famous for launching the international career of the Swedish pop group ABBA in the 1970s.

CHARLESTON, S.C. — A new production of Mozart's "Don Giovanni," Italian marionettes and Chinese theater highlight the 2005 schedule for the Spoleto Festival USA.

Each spring, Spoleto lights up the stages around Charleston with music, dance and drama. The 2005 season runs from May 27 through June 12, festival officials announced.

Ottorino Respighi's rarely performed "Sleeping Beauty in the Woods" will be produced at the Dock Street with marionettes as well as singers, a chorus and orchestra.

The festival will also present a new production of Walter Braunfels' opera "The Birds." In addition, the Colla Marionettes from Italy will perform two separate programs during Spoleto.

The festival will present "Amajuba — Like Doves We Rise" produced by the Oxford Playhouse and The Farber Foundry. The play follows five people growing up in South Africa during the final days of apartheid.

Taiwan's Contemporary Legend Theatre will perform "Kingdom of Desire," an abbreviated version of "Macbeth." The show will be performed in Mandarin Chinese with English titles projected for the audience.

The dance program includes a production by Italian choreographer Emio Greco as well as performances by Hubbard Street Dance Chicago and tap dancer Savion Glover.

The jazz lineup features, among others, singer Kate McGarry, Brazilian pianist and composer Andre Mehmari, Norwegian pianist Tord Gustavsen and Grammy Award-winning vocalist Shirley Horn.

JACKSONVILLE, Fla. — Paul McCartney will headline the 2005 Super Bowl halftime show as the National Football League goes mainstream after the controversy over this year's show.

"There's nothing bigger than being asked to perform at the Super Bowl," McCartney said in a statement. "We're looking forward to rocking the millions at home and in the stadium."

The show will be televised by Fox from Jacksonville on Feb. 6, the NFL said. It will be McCartney's second Super Bowl appearance. He sang in the pre-game show in New Orleans in 2002.

Last Feb. 1 at Houston's Reliant Stadium, Justin Timberlake ripped off part of Janet Jackson's outfit while they were singing a duet, exposing her right breast to a TV audience of some 90 million people. Jackson blamed the incident on a "wardrobe malfunction."



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