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NEWS OF THE WEIRD
BY CHUCK SHEPARD

■ Federal prosecutors have insisted so far that any ill-gotten money that former Enron executives had squirreled away in their spouses' names still can be fully recovered by the government, except for one executive. Michael Kopper, once a director of Enron's global finance unit, pleaded guilty in 2002 to illegally obtaining \$16.5 million, but he is openly gay. And since his home state of Texas does not recognize his union with his longtime partner, prosecutors cannot treat the partner as a "spouse" and have lumped him with "third party" transferees, whose assets are much more difficult to obtain (according to a November report in Washington Blade).

■ Not Our Fault: In 2002, Jeffrey Klein and Brett Birdwell, both 17 at the time, trespassed onto a railroad yard in Lancaster, Pa., and climbed atop a boxcar to see what the view was like, but were severely burned by a 12,500-volt line on the roof and thus sued Amtrak and Norfolk Southern railroads for not having done enough to prevent them from trespassing. In October, a federal jury awarded the two men a total of about \$12 million in compensatory damages plus \$12 million in punitive damages.

TODAY IN HISTORY

1856 The 28th president of the United States, Thomas Woodrow Wilson, was born in Staunton, Va.

WORD UP!

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1. To cause to disappear by rubbing out, striking out, etc.; to erase; to render illegible or indiscernible. 2. To destroy, as a mental impression; to wipe out; to eliminate completely. 3. To make (one-self) inconspicuous.

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Turning tricks

A young pedestrian stops to admire Swave's yo-yoing skills yesterday on the Third Street Promenade.

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Serving up a little free time for families

BY KEVIN HERRERA
Daily Press Staff Writer

WEST LA — With two young boys in Little League, Kathy Brisacher is constantly running from one practice to another, leaving little time to think about the eternal question of what's for dinner.

"You get so caught up in the day's activities that dinner time rolls around and you're just stuck," Brisacher said. "Chili fries and hamburgers are great, but you can't live off them."

Like many active moms, Brisacher struggles with being the perfect homemaker. Spending evenings with her family playing board games, helping with homework or just talking is important, but can take a back seat to preparing

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Christine Chang Special to the Daily Press

SALE AWAY: Businesses located on 2nd Street such as Butan Handicraft see far less foot traffic than Third and Fourth streets to the east, and resort to closing down.

Business not so usual

BY MELODY HANATANI
Daily Press Staff Writer

SECOND STREET — With offices, yoga studios and gyms as far as the eye can see, it seems as though this sleepy street is located in another universe rather than being only one block away from the hustle and bus-

tle of the Third Street Promenade. Unlike the promenade and downtown Fourth Street, both of which are filled to near capacity with retailers and restaurants, Second Street, with its empty storefronts and numerous parking garages, has failed to attract

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Robbery suspect leaps to his death

In an attempt to run, man plunges out of a window

BY KEVIN HERRERA
Daily Press Staff Writer

FOURTH STREET — A Santa Monica man wanted in connection with an attempted armed robbery died Tuesday after jumping out of a third floor window in an apparent attempt to run from police.

Detectives with the Santa Monica Police Department were ordering Martin Schmidt to surrender when the 33-year-old "suddenly turned, ran through the bedroom, crashed through a closed window and fell from the third floor," said SMPD LT. Alex Padilla.

Schmidt, who was a suspect in the attempted armed robbery of the Budget Market at 2331 Fourth Street, sustained major injuries in the fall. Paramedics treated Schmidt at the scene before transporting him to a local hospital, where he later died as a result of his injuries, Padilla said.

Detectives investigating the attempted robbery were led to an apartment complex in the 2900 block of Fourth Street where the suspect was residing with other family members, Padilla said.

Family members allowed the detectives to search the apartment for Schmidt, who was hiding in a back bedroom. When detectives called on Schmidt to give himself up, he jumped.

Sam Sharif, manager of the market, said Schmidt came into his store around 10:45 a.m. Tuesday swinging a baseball bat and demanded money. Sharif said Schmidt, who was wearing a black hooded sweatshirt, had robbed one of his employees three months earlier using the same baseball bat.

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1533 Fourth St., 6 p.m. — 8 p.m.

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For more information on any of the events listed, log on to smdp.com and click the "Events" tab for the given day's calendar.



OBITUARY

Former president Gerald Ford dies

BY JEFF WILSON

Associated Press Writer

RANCHO MIRAGE — Former President Gerald R. Ford, who declared “Our long national nightmare is over” as he replaced Richard Nixon but may have doomed his own chances of election by pardoning his disgraced predecessor, has died. He was 93.

The nation’s 38th president, and the only one neither elected to the office nor the vice presidency, died at his desert home at 6:45 p.m. Tuesday.

“His life was filled with love of God, his family and his country,” his wife, Betty, said in a statement.

Ford was the longest living former president, surpassing Ronald Reagan, who died in June 2004, by more than a month.

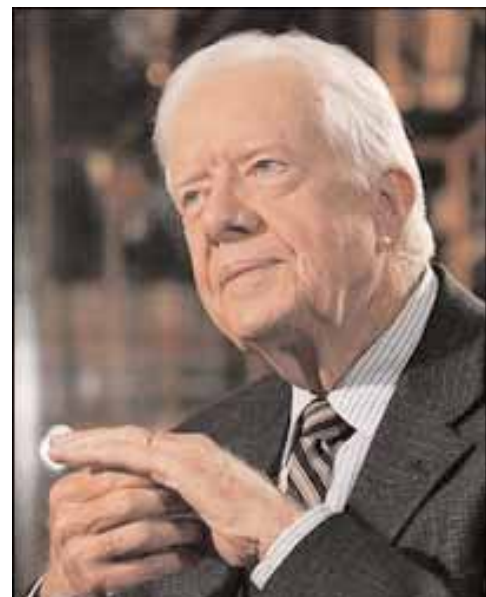
Ford’s office did not release the cause of death, which followed a year of medical problems. He was treated for pneumonia in January and had an angioplasty and pacemaker implant in August.

Funeral arrangements were to be announced Wednesday.

“President Ford was a great man who devoted the best years of his life in serving the United States,” President Bush said in a brief statement to the nation Wednesday morning. “He was a true gentleman who reflected the best in America’s character.”

Former President Carter described him Wednesday as “one of the most admirable public servants and human beings I have ever known.”

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FORD



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IT'S A SQUEEZE: Francisco Licea, 28, a truck driver from JSC International, dodges vehicles in a 2nd Street alley to deliver food to a Japanese restaurant.

Alleys are no short cut

GETTIN' BY: Making passage off SM main roads can be a challenge

BY KEVIN HERRERA

Daily Press Staff Writer

THIRD STREET ALLEY — It’s 10:45 a.m. and Lindsay Mullins is stuck in traffic. She’s not on any freeway or congested thoroughfare. She’s trapped behind a pair of delivery trucks here, just a few hundred feet from her final destination — Santa Monica Boulevard.

“This is ridiculous,” the blonde with ambition said as she honked her horn ferociously. “I’ve been sitting here for like 10 minutes and I haven’t moved an inch.”

Mullins is a victim of the downtown alley system. What was supposed to be a short cut around the Third Street Promenade has turned into “the detour from hell” as she sits impatiently in her silver Mercedes-Benz waiting for truck drivers to make like Moses parting the Red Sea and move their bulky vehicles out of her way.

The tight alleys — about 20 feet in width — are almost always crowded during the day

as delivery trucks, garbage men, promenade employees and shoppers use the highly-traveled arteries, occasionally clogging them like bad cholesterol.

“BUT WE WOULD DEFINITELY LIKE TO BE ABLE TO MANAGE THE VEHICLES BETTER IN THE ALLEYS.”

Kathleen Rawson

Executive director BAYSIDE DISTRICT CORP.

“It’s crazy busy sometimes,” said UPS driver Genaro Zonteras as he parked his truck just inches from the back of Abercrombie & Fitch so he could leave

enough room for cars to squeeze by while he dropped off packages to a nearby business.

“We really have no where else to go but the alleys,” Zonteras added. “People want deliveries made to their back doors, there’s not much parking on the street, so we just have to deal with it ... This reminds me a lot of downtown L.A.”

Some progress has been made by city officials to alleviate the congestion in the service alleys, however, there really is no oversight or traffic management plan except for a law prohibiting people from parking in an alley for any purpose other than loading or unloading. If a person does park to drop someone off or put a package in their trunk, they cannot park in such a manner that fire trucks or other emergency vehicles cannot pass through.

City Hall has opened up taxi lanes in the morning for deliveries and has asked merchants to stagger their deliveries so that there

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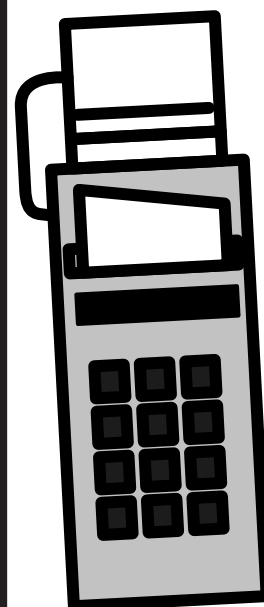
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GUEST COMMENTARY BY ALAN M. GOTTLIEB

Rise in violent crime proves need for personal protection capability

Following a recent FBI report that the first half of 2006 saw an increase in violent crime, anti-gun rights organizations quickly moved to blame passage of concealed carry laws and other common sense reversals of 1990s gun control policies.

There's a term for such a theory: Preposterous. Across the country, experts have anticipated this crime increase for some time, because of the rising number of younger males in what researchers call the "crime prone years," combined with a decrease in the number of jobs for unskilled workers and, perhaps most importantly, a return to the streets of gangsters who were imprisoned in the 1990s, and who have completed their sentences.

Couple that with a deplorable rate of recidivism and pattern of leniency from judges who ought to know better, and you have the makings of a disaster. Overworked police — whose ranks have been thinned because many belong to military reserve or National Guard units now deployed overseas — are fighting what amounts to a "holding action" against both new and recycled criminals.

This is hardly the environment in which hysteria-driven crusades for restrictive firearms laws that only affect law-abiding citizens should gain much political traction, except perhaps on editorial pages, in liberal Congressional offices and other bastions of gullibility.

Paul Helmke, president of the Brady Campaign to Prevent Gun Violence, which should more accurately call itself the "Campaign to Prevent Gun Ownership," claimed that during the 1990s, crime fell because the Clinton Administration made it "harder for criminals to get guns." That's not true and he knows it. If gun restrictions are the solution to violent crime, perhaps Helmke can explain why violent crime is skyrocketing in Great Britain, where private gun ownership is highly regulated. Maybe he can explain why the Australian gun "buy back" has had no measurable effect on homicides there.

Gun laws passed early in the Clinton administration made it more difficult for honest citizens to legally purchase firearms of their choice. Those laws did nothing to keep criminals from getting guns, and a Justice Department survey entitled "Firearm Use by Offenders" (NCJ-189369) proves it.

That study, derived from a survey of prison inmates, revealed that "During the offense that brought them to prison, 15 percent of State inmates and 13 percent of Federal inmates carried a handgun, and about 2 percent, a military-style semiautomatic gun." Notice that only a handful of these criminals were armed with so-called "assault rifles," a favorite target of gun control extremists.

The most damning revelation from the report, for what it does to one of the gun control crowd's favorite targets — the mythical "gun show loophole" — is that less than 1 percent of these criminals (0.7 percent) acquired their guns from gun shows. Another 1 percent got theirs from flea markets. Not surprisingly, 78.8 percent got their firearms from family or acquaintances, on the street or other illicit sources.

Expect perennial gun-haters like Helmke to ramp up the rhetoric against sensible concealed carry laws that are proving their effectiveness in some 40 states. With violent crime on the upswing, and experts predicting it will keep rising, this is no time to advocate victim disarmament laws. May as well put wolves in the sheep pasture and bid them "Bon Appétit!"

CROSS THE COUNTRY, EXPERTS HAVE ANTICIPATED THIS CRIME INCREASE FOR SOME TIME, BECAUSE OF THE RISING NUMBER OF YOUNGER MALES IN WHAT RESEARCHERS CALL THE 'CRIME PRONE YEARS.'

American voters, tired of being victims of criminals and scapegoats for gun control fanatics, fought to reverse this country's head-in-the-sand attitude about crime and how to quell it. In state after state, law-abiding citizens rescued their right of self-defense. They learned through years of political indifference that the best way to fight crime is to fight back, and to secure for themselves, their neighbors and friends the means to win that fight.

What anti-gunners deliberately overlook about the new crime report is that the biggest increases are in larger cities, most of which have restrictive gun laws, while murder rates have dropped in medium and small sized cities. Citizens in those smaller communities are more likely to legally arm themselves, and criminals know it.

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Preserve Uncle Al's drunken Christmas Eve rantings

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Ms. Kirste, a Special Collections Curator at the Academy of Motion Picture Arts & Science's Academy Film Archive, will discuss things one can do to ensure personal movies live a long life. She will also discuss the cultural significance of home movies and archival efforts to preserve them for future generations.

This program is free and all ages are welcome. For more information, contact the Santa Monica Public Library at (310) 458-8600, or visit the Library's Web site at www.smpl.org.

DAILY PRESS

Schwarzenegger issues statement on Brown

In a statement released today, Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger commented on James Brown's death at the age of 73, "Maria and I send our prayers and thoughts to the family of James Brown today. Mr. Brown was an entertainment icon who for decades energized and entertained people around the world with his electrifying music."

Brandishing his ethnomusicology skills, Schwarzenegger pontificated on Brown's legacy, "'The Godfather of Soul' and 'The Hardest Working Man in Show Business' were just two of his nicknames and they certainly fit. He was also one of the most innovative and creative artists in the history of popular music and he's credited with helping to invent soul, funk, disco and even hip-hop. His trailblazing career and unique sense of style were a source of great pride and inspiration to many and his music and cultural contributions will live on far into the future."

Expressing the Schwarzenegger family's sympathies, the governor concluded with, "Our condolences are with his loved ones as they mourn the loss of such an extraordinary individual."

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Governor speaks of Officer Tuvera

Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger observed the death of Police Officer Bryan Tuvera in a statement released today, "Officer Tuvera put his life on the line everyday to make California a safer place. Maria and I send our deepest condolences to Bryan's family as they mourn the extraordinary loss of their loved one. He valiantly served and protected the citizens of this golden state and will be remembered as a hero."

Tuvera, 28, died Dec. 23 as a result of injuries sustained on Dec. 22 when he was shot by an escaped fugitive. Officer Tuvera was a four-year veteran of the San Francisco Police Department. He is survived by his wife, Salina.

In honor of Officer Tuvera, Capitol flags will be flown at half-staff.

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Don't be a bum, take care of your bum

The New Year is a perfect time for men to make resolutions that will make their health a top priority. Men over the age of 35 should take their health into their own hands by asking their doctor about the risks and benefits of taking a prostate-specific antigen (PSA) test and digital rectal exam (DRE) to detect early signs of prostate cancer.

"As the baby boomer male population ages, it becomes increasingly important to inform them about the seriousness of prostate cancer," explained Mark Scholz, M.D., medical director at the Prostate Oncology Specialist Inc. in Marina del Rey.

Most men are still reluctant about getting screened for prostate cancer even though it is the most common cancer in America and is the second-leading cause of male cancer-related death in the U.S., according to the latest data released by the Prostate Cancer Foundation, which estimates approximately 232,000 men will be diagnosed this year and 30,000 men will lose their lives to it.

Research shows approximately nine out of 10 cases of prostate cancer are now detected early as a result of PSA testing. Both PSA and DRE exams are done together to increase the accuracy of the diagnosis.

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The Q-Line

Have guns; will travel ...
Incidents of gang violence, parking attendants being held-up in city parking structures, school lockdowns, threatening transients, low-priority marijuana use ... with a new chief of police taking the reins last week, much will be made about his priorities for the SMPD. Despite crime statistics having dropped to a 50-year low during his predecessor's run as top cop, Chief Tim Jackman will have his hands full with resident requests. This week's Q-Line question asks:

What should Chief Jackman's priorities be in addressing crime in the City of Santa Monica. Where is more focus needed?

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Wealthy SoCal residents donate twice as much as NorCal affluent

BY JORDAN ROBERTSON

Associated Press Writer

SAN FRANCISCO — Affluent Southern Californians donate twice as much money to charities as their well-off counterparts elsewhere in the state, according to a new study released Tuesday.

But not so fast. If all contributions were factored in, including a small group of blockbuster donations from Northern California, the average amount given would make Silicon Valley the most generous region of the Golden State.

The study, by San Francisco-based philanthropic researcher NewTithing Group, examined tax returns of people in California who made \$200,000 or more in 2004, the most recent year the data was available.

The group compared the amount that affluent Californians declared as charitable donations versus their wealth from investments, which included stock holdings and private investments but not real estate and retirement pensions.

The measurement was meant to provide a more meaningful gauge of generosity than only looking at income, the group said.

Researchers looked at the median, or midpoint, of the amount given in each region rather than the average amounts, which they said were unfairly skewed by super-large donations from a small group of Northern Californians.

By that standard, affluent people in Los Angeles County donated the greatest share of their wealth, giving about \$4,923 each, or 0.99 percent of \$497,000 in investment assets. The numbers were similar in other counties throughout Southern California.

Affluent people in the central coast and valley areas — including Sacramento, San Luis Obispo and Fresno counties, among others — held the most investment wealth but gave the smallest slice, at just \$3,590 each, or about 0.46 percent of \$778,778 in investments.

Silicon Valley, which includes San Mateo

and Santa Clara counties, didn't fare much better, with people parting with just a fractionally higher amount, nearly 0.47 percent of their investments. The areas including San Francisco and other parts of Northern California came in at roughly the same range.

But when looking at the average amount donated compared to investment assets, rather than the median, wealthy individuals in Silicon Valley came out on top, giving \$23,122 each, or about 1.24 percent of \$1.87 million in investment wealth.

Using that measurement, people in Los Angeles still gave slightly more money — \$23,172 each. But that amount represents a significantly smaller percentage of their individual wealth — about 0.93 percent of \$2.26 million in investment assets.

Tim Stone, executive director of the NewTithing Group, said the group chose to emphasize the median measurements to present a clearer picture of the contributions from the typical affluent individual rather than a few philanthropic superstars.

He said one aim of the study was to convey the need for charitable givers throughout the state to start thinking more about their donations as a percentage of wealth rather than income.

"Many of us give by the seat of the pants," he said. "We give piecemeal, and at the end of the year we just add up how much we give. But if you give by proactively budgeting for charity, you might be more apt to give proportionately."

Philanthropy groups in Silicon Valley said the influx of new money could be one reason behind the regional discrepancies.

"A great deal of the wealth in Silicon Valley is relatively new," said Michelle McGurk, spokeswoman for the Silicon Valley Community Foundation, which will have \$1.5 billion under management when its merger takes effect Dec. 31. "Generally it takes a while for folks to create patterns of charitable giving and put down roots in the community and start to give back."

Detailed report to spell out problems within California school systems

BY JULIET WILLIAMS

Associated Press Writer

SACRAMENTO — At the same time they are being asked to meet ever tougher state and federal standards, California's schools face long-standing, seemingly intractable problems.

Among them: Huge achievement gaps related to income and race, fewer teachers skilled in such areas as math and science, and a slew of complicated mandates to meet.

Politicians over the last decade have tried to tackle the problems but failed to solve the most persistent ones, even as education is cited by voters as one of their most important issues.

The latest to take on the challenge is Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger, who has convened a broad-based, bipartisan panel of experts to perform a comprehensive review of California's public school system. Its mandate ranges from reviewing the funding system to studying effective teaching.

Educators hope it will lead to long-lasting change.

"I don't see that we have a choice. I just think we're at the point where we've tinkered around the edges for so long. ... There's no

more tinkering that can be done," said Russlyn Ali, director of Education Trust-West, an Oakland-based policy and research organization.

Ali also is a member of the Committee on Education Excellence, the task force Schwarzenegger appointed in April 2005.

The group is expected to start making recommendations to the governor and other state leaders in early 2007. Before then, it will receive a series of research studies requested by Democratic legislative leaders and Superintendent of Public Instruction Jack O'Connell.

He said the academic review will for the first time try to estimate the real cost of a quality education for California students, including the 1.6 million English learners and 3.1 million who are considered poor. They represent half of all students in the nation's largest public education system.

O'Connell also hopes the research will persuade Sacramento decision-makers to set funding based on schools' needs, rather than fluctuations in the economy or the state budget.

California is spending a record amount on schools this year, but progress in closing its achievement gaps has been slow.

Speaker-to-be Pelosi learned politics in Baltimore row home

BY KRISTEN WYATT

Associated Press Writer

BALTIMORE — Before Nancy Pelosi takes the reins of the U.S. House next month, the California Democrat will visit a rowhouse in Baltimore's Little Italy neighborhood. It's where the woman who next week will become the nation's first female speaker grew up — and learned politics long before she was old enough to vote.

The youngest of six, Pelosi was born into a political family in a house always full of strangers asking for help. Thirty years before going to Congress, the former Nancy D'Alesandro was brokering political deals for constituents of her father, Thomas D'Alesandro Jr., who served as Baltimore mayor from 1947 to 1959 and as a congressman 1939 to 1947.

"She got her basic training in politics right in this room," recalled one of her older brothers, Nicholas D'Alesandro, 72, who still in lives in the Little Italy rowhouse, now home to a health clinic on the ground floor. "We gave help to hundreds, thousands of people. It was the kind of thing she was raised to do."

The political breeding didn't convince Pelosi's playmates that she was destined to be second in line for the presidency, though. Childhood friends said they never imagined Pelosi's political career eclipsing that of her father Thomas D'Alesandro, Jr., and brother, Thomas D'Alesandro III, who served one term as mayor 1967-1971.

"Nancy was a very quiet, shy young lady," said Mary Ann Campanella, 65, who played with Pelosi as a child and still lives in Baltimore's Little Italy. "She had no interest whatsoever in politics at the time. That's what made us so shocked — she was a very quiet shy young lady. But I remember we were all in awe of her being the little princess and riding in the open-top cars in the parades. Still, we're can't believe how far she's come."

So proud is Little Italy of Pelosi's political ascension that the city will name part of Pelosi's childhood street for her. Neighbors also want to see her name added to the neighborhood bocce court, now named for Pelosi's father.

Pelosi will attend a ceremony to name the street Tuesday to kick-off four days of festivities to celebrate her becoming speaker. Pelosi also plans to visit her Washington alma mater, Trinity Washington University, in a tour designed to show the nation she's not a California-bred liberal, but a good Roman Catholic girl from a working-class neighborhood.

The message is not lost on the Rev. Michael Salerno, a priest at St. Leo The Great, the Catholic church Pelosi attended as a child. Salerno didn't minister to Pelosi as a child, but he'll be on hand to say a few words at the street naming next week.

"Fifty, 60 years ago a woman never even got to venture out of the neighborhood. Now one of our daughters is going to be speaker. It's amazing," Salerno said.

Pelosi spokesman Brendan Daly, said in a statement that visiting Little Italy and Baltimore "always has the feeling of a home-coming" for Pelosi.

"It has always had a special place in her heart," Daly wrote of Baltimore.

City politics taught her a lesson that served Pelosi well even in federal office, said Thomas D'Alesandro III, now 77. (Her father died in 1987.)

"We were all born and raised in politics and we all worked the political scene," he said. "We were born and raised in Little Italy, very poor, a humble neighborhood. And we had our doors open every day, people coming in

looking for jobs, for medical assistance, for housing, to get somebody out of jail. ... She had an opportunity at an early age to be exposed to the world of politics at the precinct level, at the constituent level."

Observers say Pelosi learned early how to dole favors and win political friends.

After marrying, moving to California and working in the state Democratic Party, Pelosi became friends with former California Gov. Jerry Brown. When Brown sought the presidency in 1976, his ties to the D'Alesandro family helped him win the support of Maryland's Democratic governor at the time. Brown won the Maryland primary over Georgia Gov. Jimmy Carter, who attended the U.S. Naval Academy in Annapolis.

Pelosi "went back to all her father's old friends, reminded them of all the favors he'd done for them. And all of a sudden, Jerry Brown was a favorite," said Hal Marcovitz, a former journalist in Pennsylvania who wrote a biography of Pelosi for a women-in-politics series for school children.

Pelosi's father even kept a "favor file" to keep track of friends, Marcovitz said. That neighborhood style of politics "served her well later when she went out on her own, because she gained an empathy for others, and that could be a pretty effective way to be a politician."

Even neighbors who have little interest in politics say Pelosi's Baltimore background played a critical role in her career.

"She had a lot of time to watch and absorb, and it's paying off now," said Giovanna Aquia Blatterman, whose husband used to dance with Pelosi at neighborhood church dances. "I think this is the most exciting thing here since her father became mayor. It's a rebirth for us."

Airport lights to blame for Blair's landing mishap

BY LAURA WIDES-MUNOZ

Associated Press Writer

MIAMI — British Airways blamed poor lighting at Miami International Airport for a commercial jet overshooting a runway with British Prime Minister Tony Blair and his family aboard, but airport and federal officials said Wednesday that the lights were fine.

British Airways Flight 209 from London hit some airfield lights after it landed around 6:15 p.m. Tuesday, but it did not leave the pavement and it reached the gate under its own power, airport officials said. No injuries were reported.

British Airways spokesman John Lampl said the pilot stopped the 747 at the end of the runway because he couldn't see the lights to the taxiway.

"Apparently they're doing some resurfacing work and relighting, so the lighting was poor," Lampl said.

But airport spokeswoman Lauren Stover said the lights were working fine.

"There was absolutely no construction on the runway," Stover said.

National Transportation Safety Board investigators also found that the lights were working properly and that there was no construction, said NTSB spokesman Jeff Kennedy. Federal Aviation Administration spokeswoman Kathleen Bergen, too, confirmed the lights were working. She said the plane stopped just past the official end of the runway.

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Great expectations

Bush is one step closer to making a decision on U.S. policy in Iraq

BY DEB RIECHMANN

Associated Press Writer

CRAWFORD, Texas — After weeks of deliberation, President Bush is honing in on a national security team meeting at his Texas ranch that will take him a step closer to deciding a new U.S. policy in Iraq.

With each passing day that he gathers advice, Bush is creating more than a new way forward. He's building expectations that will be hard to meet no matter what he unveils.

By the time he announces his Iraq plan in January, roughly two months will have passed since Democrats won control of the House and Senate in the Nov. 7 election that was widely viewed as a referendum on U.S. involvement in Iraq.

Anticipation of Bush's decision is high not just because people are weary of war, but also because of the way Bush has gone about deciding his next move.

Saddled with a reputation for stubbornness, Bush has gone the other direction. He has made a visible effort to seek advice — from the military, diplomats, academics, retired generals, a special study commission, Iraqi officials, Republican leaders, even Democrats he once ridiculed.

"The president wants to make sure the consequences of crafting a new way forward in Iraq are thought through and due consideration is given to the outcome of any new action

that would be taken," deputy White House press secretary Scott Stanzel said Tuesday in Crawford, where Bush is spending the week.

On Thursday, the president hosts a National Security Council meeting with Vice

BUSH HAS PROMISED A NEW APPROACH, YET EVEN GATES, HIS NEW DEFENSE SECRETARY, HAS ACKNOWLEDGED THAT 'THERE ARE NO NEW IDEAS IN IRAQ.'

President Dick Cheney, Defense Secretary Robert Gates, Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice, National Security Adviser Stephen Hadley and Gen. Peter Pace, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

Pentagon officials said Tuesday that Gates isn't likely to offer a single solution but, rather, a broad set of recommendations for changing the course in Iraq. A senior Defense Department official, who spoke only on condition of anonymity because Gates' advice to

Bush is secret, said the recommendations "would involve many aspects of how we can do things differently."

Bush, suffering low approval ratings for his handling of Iraq, is not expected to make any final decisions at the meeting. Stanzel said there could be other National Security Council meetings before the president makes up his mind. He is to announce his decisions in a speech between now and the State of the Union address on Jan. 23.

Bush has promised a new approach, yet even Gates, his defense secretary, has acknowledged that "there are no new ideas in Iraq."

Indeed, some of the main ideas under consideration — sending in more troops, embedding more U.S. advisers in Iraqi units, engaging in more aggressive diplomacy — aren't novel. And if Bush does come up with a remarkably fresh approach after nearly four years of war, that will raise the question of why he hadn't thought of it before.

No decisions have been made about possibly increasing U.S. troops in Iraq, but senior defense officials say Gates has signed orders that will send the 82nd Airborne Division's 2nd Brigade to Kuwait shortly after the new year. That could be part of a short-term surge of troops to Iraq to quell ongoing violence.

On Tuesday, the U.S. military reported that seven more American soldiers had died, pushing the U.S. military death toll for the month to 90.

Ohio court issues public reprimand of Rep. Gov. Taft

BY ANDREW WELSH-HUGGINS

Associated Press Writer

COLUMBUS, Ohio — The state Supreme Court on Wednesday publicly reprimanded Ohio Gov. Bob Taft for his ethics violations in office, a black mark that will stay on his permanent record as an attorney.

Taft, a Republican and great-grandson of President William Howard Taft, pleaded no contest in 2005 to failing to report golf outings and other gifts and was fined \$4,000. He could not seek re-election because of term limits and leaves office in less than two weeks.

The Office of Disciplinary Counsel, an arm of the state Supreme Court, said in April that Taft violated Ohio's code of professional conduct for lawyers, and Taft later signed an agreement admitting the violation.

The justices agreed by a vote of 6-0 Wednesday with a recommendation from the Board of Commissioners on Grievances and Discipline to issue the public reprimand. The court could have rejected the recommendation or ordered a stronger punishment.

Taft, whose law license has been on inactive status since 2002, has talked about teaching after leaving office rather than practicing law.

"The governor is pleased that the matter is concluded and that the court recognized his reporting error was nothing more than an oversight," Taft spokesman Mark Rickel said. "He came forward, he fully disclosed, he admitted to his errors and accepted all the consequences."

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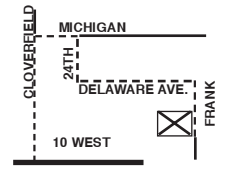
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Bye Polar decision?

Endangered Act proposed to protect bears

BY JOHN HEILPRIN

Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON — Polar bears are in deep trouble because of global warming and other factors and deserve federal protection under the Endangered Species Act, the Bush administration is proposing Wednesday.

Pollution and overhunting also threaten their existence. Greenland and Norway have the most polar bears, but almost 5,000 live mainly in Alaska and travel to Canada and Russia.

Interior Secretary Dirk Kempthorne plans to announce later Wednesday that polar bears should be listed as a "threatened" species on the government list of imperiled species, a department official confirmed Wednesday. The "endangered" category is reserved for species more likely to become extinct.

Such a decision would require all federal agencies to ensure that anything they authorize that might affect polar bears will not jeopardize their survival or the sea ice where they live. That could include oil and gas exploration, commercial shipping or even releases of toxic contaminants or climate-affecting pollution.

Environmentalists hope that invoking the Endangered Species Act protections eventually might provide impetus for the government to cut back on its emissions of carbon

dioxide and other heat-trapping "greenhouse" gases that are warming the atmosphere.

The proposed listing also marks a potentially significant departure for the administration from its cautious rhetoric about the effects of global warming.

President Bush's steadfast refusal to go along with United Nations-brokered mandatory controls on carbon dioxide, the chief global warming gas, has contributed to international tension between the United States and other nations.

Polar bears, an iconic and cold-dependent animal, are dropping in numbers and weight in the Arctic. In July, the House approved a U.S.-Russia treaty to help protect polar bears from overhunting and other threats to their survival.

That vote put into effect a 2000 treaty that sets quotas on polar bear hunting by native populations in the two countries and establishes a bilateral commission to analyze how best to sustain sea ice. It also approved spending \$2 million a year through 2010 for the polar bear program.

The Polar Bear Specialist Group of the World Conservation Union, based in Gland, Switzerland, has estimated that the polar bear population in the Arctic has dwindled to 20,000 to 25,000.

The group lists the polar bear among

more than 16,000 species threatened for survival worldwide, and projects a 30 percent decline in their numbers over the next 45 years. It says sea ice is expected to decrease 50 percent to 100 percent over the next 50 to 100 years."

The Interior Department plans to allow up to 90 days of public comment on its proposal, which was first reported by The Washington Post on its Web site on Tuesday night.

A little over a year ago, three environmental groups — the Center for Biological Diversity, Natural Resources Defense Council and Greenpeace — filed suit to force such a proposal from Interior's Fish and Wildlife Service, which oversees endangered species. Fish and Wildlife officials have been reviewing the status of polar bears more than two years.

They were pleased by the decision Wednesday.

"This is a victory for the polar bear, and all wildlife threatened by global warming," Kassie Siegel, a lawyer for the Center for Biological Diversity, said Wednesday. "There is still time to save polar bears but we must reduce greenhouse gas pollution immediately."

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Advocates asking court to stop horse roundup near Las Vegas

BY KEN RITTER

Associated Press Writer

LAS VEGAS — Advocacy groups are asking a federal judge to stop the Bureau of Land Management from rounding up wild horses and burros next week in the Spring Mountains west of Las Vegas.

America's Wild Horse Advocates, based in Blue Diamond near Red Rock Canyon, and Wild Horses 4 Ever of Logandale filed a lawsuit Tuesday in U.S. District Court in Las Vegas seeking a temporary restraining order and an injunction indefinitely postponing the Jan. 2 roundup. No hearing was immediately scheduled.

The injunction would remain in effect until a judge heard groups' claim that the BLM plan, outlined in an environmental assessment released Friday, is flawed and that the roundup would undercut efforts to keep wild horses on the range.

"The removal will harm the genetic viability and diversity of the wild horse populations in question in an irreparable and permanent (manner)," the lawsuit said.

BLM spokeswoman Kirsten Cannon in Las Vegas said Wednesday the agency had not received the lawsuit and could not comment.

She said the BLM plans to leave 108 horses and 121 burros in the Spring Mountains. An environmental assessment of plans to round up horses in the Lake Mead area has not been completed, she added.

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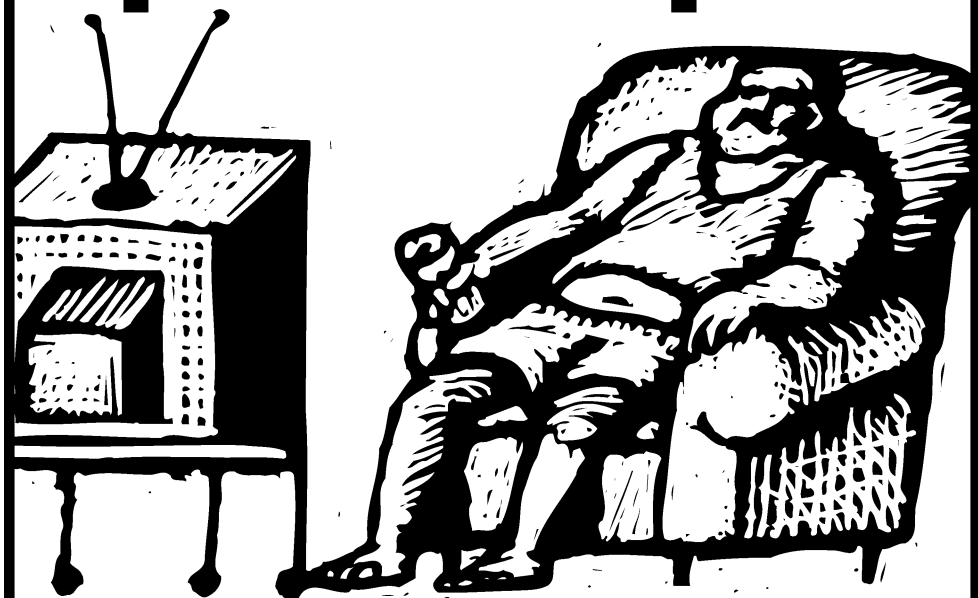
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Ethiopian, Somali government troops force Islamic fighters to retreat from strategic city

BY MOHAMED OLAD HASSAN
Associated Press Writer

MOGADISHU, Somalia — Attacking at dawn, Ethiopian and Somali government troops on Wednesday drove Islamic fighters out of the last major town on the road to Mogadishu, the Islamist-held capital.

Former warlord Mohammed Dheere, who controlled the town of Jowhar before it was captured by the Council of Islamic Courts in June, led the Somali government troops, said resident Abshir Ali Gabre.

“We will attack Mogadishu tomorrow, from two directions,” Dheere told the crowd, although his statement appeared to overstep his authority. Dheere does not speak for the government or the Ethiopians.

Government spokesman Abdirahman Dinari confirmed the capture of Jowhar and said his troops were heading toward Balad, an agricultural village about 18 miles from Mogadishu. Smaller than Jowhar, it is the last town before the capital.

Thousands of Ethiopian and Somali government troops were seen in tanks heading toward Balad, said Nadifo Ali Tifow, a resident in Qalimow, a village 25 miles from Balad.

Fighting could still be heard at a military camp south of Jowhar and in the village of Lego. An Islamic official said his troops were simply entering a new phase in their battle.

“Our snakes of defense were let loose, now they are ready to bite the enemy everywhere in Somalia,” said Sheik Mohamoud Ibrahim Suley. He did not elaborate, but some Islamic leaders have threatened a guerrilla war including suicide bombings in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia’s capital.

Hundreds of people had fled Jowhar, anticipating major fighting, but others seemed resigned to it after suffering from drought and flooding over the last two years.

“We do not know where to escape, we are already suffering from floods, hunger and disease,” Abdale Haji Ali said from Jowhar. “We are awaiting death.”

Ethiopia sent fighter jets streaking deep into militia-held areas Sunday to help Somalia’s U.N.-recognized government push back the Islamic militias. Ethiopia bombed the country’s two main airports and helped government forces capture several villages.

Ethiopian Prime Minister Meles Zenawi said Tuesday that Ethiopian forces may soon wrap up their offensive against the Islamic militias that until recent days controlled most of the southern part of the country.

Zenawi said he aims to severely damage the courts’ military capabilities and allow both sides to return to peace talks on an even footing. He has said he would not send his troops into Mogadishu, which the Islamic movement has held since June.

A State Department spokesman in Washington signaled support Tuesday for Ethiopian military operations against Somalia, noting that Ethiopia has had “genuine security concerns” stemming from the rise of Islamist forces in its eastern neighbor.

Meanwhile, the chairman of the African Union Commission has called a meeting Wednesday in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, of the 53-nation AU, the Arab League, and the Intergovernmental Authority on Development, a seven-nation East African group, to try to end the fighting and resume dialogue between Somalia’s warring parties.

The U.N. Security Council on Tuesday took no immediate action on a draft presidential statement circulated by Qatar calling for a cease-fire and withdrawal of foreign forces, specifying Ethiopian troops.

The United States and several other nations objected to singling out Ethiopia and the call for a truce, saying talks and a political agreement are needed for stability before foreign forces can leave. The council agreed to continue discussions Wednesday.

Somalia has not had an effective government since warlords overthrew longtime dictator Mohamed Siad Barre in 1991, pushing the country into anarchy.

Two years ago, the United Nations helped set up a central government for the arid, impoverished Horn of Africa nation. But until the past week, it had little influence outside of its seat in the city of Baidoa, about 140 northwest of Mogadishu.

The country was largely under the control of warlords until this past summer, when the Islamic militia movement pushed them aside.

One critical issue is whether the central government can

win the support of Somalis. Many resent Ethiopia’s intervention because the countries have fought two wars over their disputed border in the past 45 years.

Experts fear the conflict in Somalia could engulf the region. Islamic courts leaders have repeatedly said they want to incorporate ethnic Somalis living in eastern Ethiopia, northeastern Kenya and Djibouti into a Greater Somalia.

Any effort by the Somali government or Ethiopia to take the capital risks a disaster similar to the U.S. intervention in Somalia in 1992.

That U.N.-sponsored mission ended in 1993, after Somali militiamen shot down a U.S. Army Black Hawk helicopter. Eighteen American servicemen were killed in the crash and vicious street fighting that preceded and followed, made famous in the book and movie “Black Hawk Down.”

Associated Press writers **Salad Duhul, Les Neuhaus in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, and Chris Tomlinson** in Nairobi, Kenya, contributed to this report.

Cities plan early parties to avoid church conflict

The Associated Press

PROVO, Utah — How does “Auld Lang Syne” sound on the eve of New Year’s Eve?

Provo and St. George will celebrate the new year with public parties Saturday to avoid conflicts with Mormon religious practice, which discourages Sunday revelry.

“We wanted to hold the event when the most people will attend,” said Marc Mortensen, coordinator of First Night St. George, an event held on six blocks in the southwestern Utah city.

“It would sure be a disappointment if only a couple thousand people attended when we anticipated upward of 15,000,” he said.

In Provo, the party will be indoors at the Provo Towne Centre Mall.

“Everybody starts early in the month wishing people happy holidays and New Year’s,” said Scott Henderson, assistant parks director. “All of the activities and excitement, whether or not it’s New Year’s, will dictate the spirit of the event.”

Salt Lake City is sticking with Sunday. But organizers are anticipating 10,000 people, down from 30,000 a year ago, said Kim Angeli, event manager for the Chamber of Commerce.

The party will be held outdoors at the Gallivan Center, a few blocks from the headquarters of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, from 6 p.m. to midnight.

“New Year’s isn’t quite the holiday you want to move around,” she said. “Its significance lies in a precise time.”

LDS President Gordon B. Hinckley will speak to young people at 6 p.m. Sunday at the church’s conference center. On Saturday night, there will be music at Temple Square.

In northern Utah, Kaysville and Fruit Heights won’t hold a New Year’s Eve party because Dec. 31 is a Sunday. The decision disappointed some residents who aren’t Mormon.

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Following trends in the market



MARKET MATTERS

BY BRIAN HEPP

While all of us would love to be able to predict what will happen with our investments, the market reminds us that it has a mind of its own. However, as we look to the future — specifically to the new year just around the corner — we can use certain guidelines to help us at least get an idea of where the markets appear to be headed. By paying attention to these indicators, we can make educated decisions on where to place our investment dollars.

One way to gauge the market and its trajectory is to be aware of the trends that are currently in place for the market and the economy. It's worth noting that even though we're focusing on the market, we also have to consider the state of the economy as well. Trends for the economy, corporate earnings, inflation, interest rates and a host of other factors all help control the market. So rather than trying to predict something happening that is not already in play today, it's best to stick with the trends in place as we look ahead.

For example, the current recession in the

building industry has, in part, led to slower economic activity in recent months. Interest rates were on the rise for two years, but the Fed halted its rate hike cycle in June of this year. Also of note, the market has been rising overall for 50 months now, compared with a typical bull market average of approximately 25 months. So what do these trends tell us?

The trends indicate that the economy and the stock market should perform okay in 2007. That may not sound like a highly technical term to describe it, but with the information we can glean from the trends mentioned above, it appears that while we're not on pace to see a huge upward swing in the market, we probably won't see a major decline either.

Beyond the general market direction, as an investor you also want to know which areas of the market might provide favorable investment opportunities. Investors should always consider investing in sectors of the market that may be in a position to do well going forward. Based on the expectation for a slower growth economic environment in the first half of 2007, our market professionals currently recommend investing in the more defensive health care and consumer staples sectors.

As for your current holdings, if you happen to own companies that are weak in their respective industry, this could become a bigger risk when the economy slows. You may

be better off buying and owning strong companies that have pricing power and dominant positions in their industry. But how can you identify these companies?

Interestingly, some of them may be right in front of you. Think about the products you see on the table at holiday gatherings or at bowl game parties — brands that are widely known and accepted. These companies are usually quite profitable because they have good control of pricing. It's always possible their business may slow down a little with the economy, but they're likely in a position where they won't fall off entirely.

The hard part to making good picks is that great companies don't always translate into great stock investments. When the market recognizes a good company, its stock price tends to move to a valuation that doesn't offer an attractive risk/reward tradeoff. However, in the current environment, you can look for — and take advantage of — opportunities to buy great companies at reasonable prices.

For more information about the outlook, the 2007 Investment Guide from A.G. Edwards is available on my Web site, agedwards.com/fc/brian.hepp, or by calling my office at (310) 453-0077.

BUSINESS BRIEFS

Nothing ventured, nothing gained

As the new year draws near, the familiar adage, "Nothing ventured, nothing gained" may be truer than ever — especially on the job. A recent survey reveals that, while a small percentage of workers (12 percent) made career-related resolutions at the beginning of 2006, nearly three-quarters (72 percent) of those who did were successful in achieving their goals. When it comes to career objectives for 2007, 24 percent of respondents named skills enhancement as their number-one priority for the new year. Earning a raise was a close second.

The survey was developed by Accountemps, the world's first and largest specialized staffing service for temporary accounting, finance and bookkeeping professionals. It was conducted by an independent research firm and includes responses from 559 full or part-time workers 18 years or older and employed in office environments.

"The start of the new year is an ideal time to reflect on achievements during the past 12 months and set goals for the future," said Max Messmer, chairman of Accountemps and author of "Managing Your Career for Dummies."

For those considering career-related New Year's resolutions, Accountemps offers the following tips:

- Set realistic objectives — Allow yourself stretch goals, but make sure they are attainable. Establish a timeline for accomplishing them.
- Develop a specific plan — Break big goals into smaller action items to ensure you stay on track.
- Reward yourself — Acknowledge your successes — doing so will increase your drive to keep achieving.
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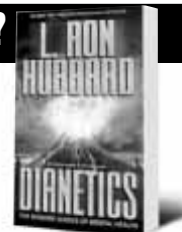
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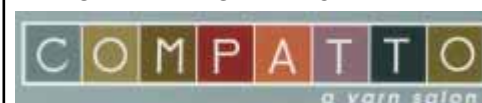
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Dinner on the fly

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meals and washing dishes.

To ensure she doesn't miss out on anything having to do with family, Brisacher turned to Dream Dinners, a company which provides everything one needs to prepare the perfect dinner without having to worry about chopping vegetables or running to the market for spices or an extra stick of butter.

Clients order meals out of a catalogue or online (www.dreamdinners.com) and go to a Dream Dinners kitchen where all of the ingredients are there, ready for busy moms and young professionals to assemble, freeze and take home to defrost when ready.

The meals, which can range from home-style chicken and dumplings to different casseroles and herb-crusted flank steak, are kept in plastic baggies that ensure freshness. All one has to do is take out a meal (medium dinners serve three), defrost it over night and pop it in the oven, fry it on the skillet or fire up the barbecue, saving cooks hours in prep time.

Each serving runs from \$3 to \$5, saving families money.

"Dream Dinners is great," said Debbie Adamson, a Santa Monica Canyon resident with two young children always clawing at her feet. "It saves me a good deal of prep time. I don't have to wash or chop of a bunch of vegetables. And the clean up is easy. It makes it so the evenings aren't stressful. You have the time to relax and enjoy your family. The best part is the meals taste great."

Dream Dinners is a franchise created in the late 1980s by two working mothers, Stephanie Allen and Tina Kuna. The Snohomish, Washington-based company went national in 2003 after years of perfecting recipes and the process.

The company now has over 35 stores, including one in Mar Vista, which is owned by Santa Monica couple Justin and Brook Hensley, who opened up shop in 2004, signing the lease for their massive prep kitchen days after their wedding.

"We just thought that this being L.A., so many parents are busy, so this presented a real solution," Justin Hensley said. "We wanted to help people prepare good, delicious dinners that are healthy. It's quick without being fast food."

The benefits go far beyond convenience and taste.

"Research also shows that families who sit down for dinner three times a week, the kids do much better in school," Hensley added. "They have higher (grade point averages), an expanded vocabulary and start reading at an early age. Sixty percent are less likely to use alcohol or



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FOOD FOR THOUGHT: Dream Dinners help busy people prep meals ahead of time and freeze contents until ready to eat.

drugs and eating with families is the only common denominator for national merit scholars."

Those interested go online or call and make an appointment to prepare meals they order. When a client arrives, the ingredients are all set up, complete with the right measuring spoons and an assistant to guide them through the process and clean up when they make a mistake.

"It's basically cooking by numbers," Hensley said. "But you can customize your meals too. If you have a kid who doesn't like garlic, you can make a dinner without it. If you want extra cheese, go for it. It's that easy."

Dinners can last anywhere from four to six months in the freezer, "so there is no pressure to eat them right away," Hensley said.

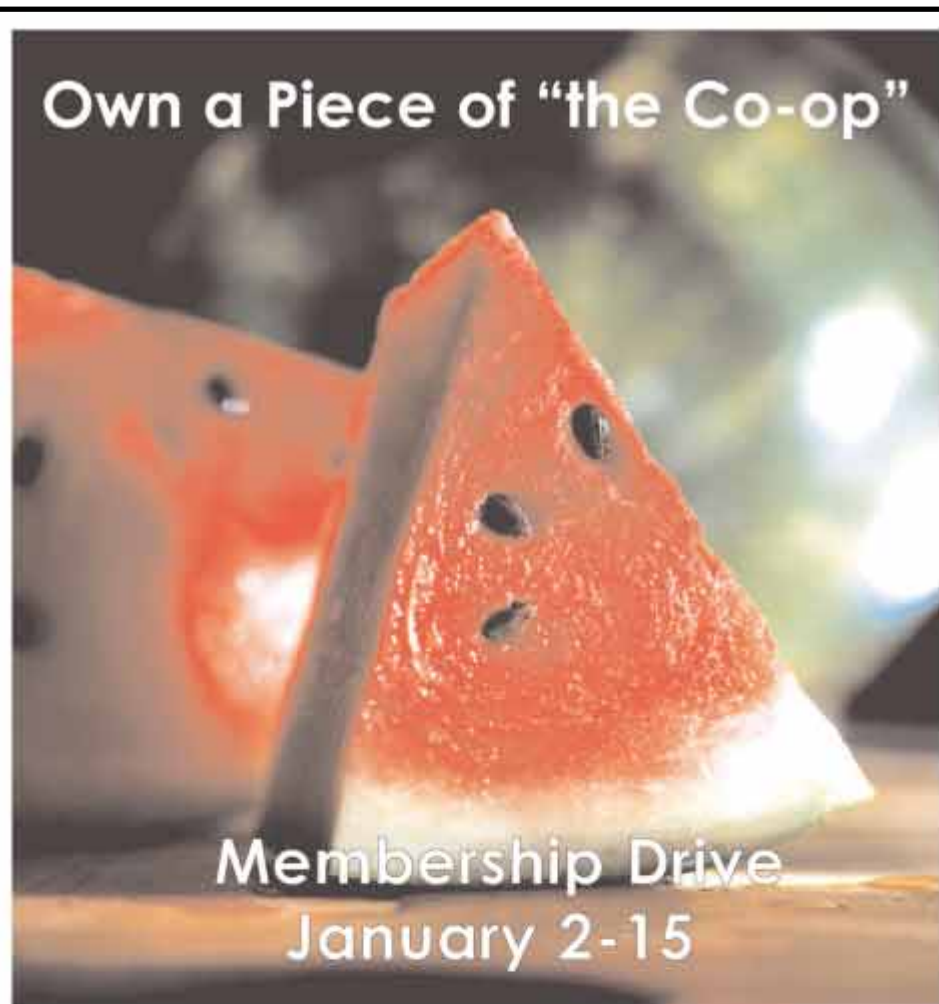
Most families order 12 meals a month, spreading them out so that three nights a week one doesn't have to worry about going to the market. Since Dream Dinners opened up in West Los Angeles, Hensley said more than 2,000 people have signed up. The franchise just celebrated its two year anniversary in November.

While the food may taste great, that's not the only reason some clients keep coming back. Many build relationships with other clients and end up volunteering for various non-profits, cooking meals for the needy.

Adamson and Brisacher have helped distribute food for the homeless at the St. Joseph's Center, PATH (People Assisting the Homeless) and other providers.

"You really do become like a family," Adamson said. "You get a chance to bond when you're in the kitchen."

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Closing sales are not unusual on 2nd

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the same strong following, level of interest, and pedestrian and vehicular traffic as its neighbors to the east.

Odd considering the street's proximity to one of the main shopping attractions on the Westside.

"It's like night and day," Sidsie Caswell said of the promenade and Second Street. The owner of antique store Historia at 1322 Second St. has seen many businesses come to Second Street, hoping to capitalize on the overflow from the promenade. The only problem is the shopping crowd never seems to head their way.

"It would be nice to have more traffic on Second Street," Caswell said on Wednesday. "If you're not on the promenade, it's hard."

Bayside District Corporation has worked for years to try to stimulate development along both Second and Fourth streets. Both streets have come a long way in their commercial developments, but Fourth Street has outpaced Second Street.

"The evolution has taken longer than we anticipated," said Kathleen Rawson, executive director of Bayside. "The good news is we do have potential tenants interested in Second Street that would be good for downtown."

The low level of pedestrian traffic came as a surprise to Benchen Khenpo, the owner of Bhutan Handicrafts at 1418 Second St., a temporary store specializing in traditional arts and crafts from Bhutan.

Khenpo operates the store for only one month every year at a location in Santa Monica. For many years, the store found a home on Main Street where Khenpo enjoyed success from the artsy crowd. It's been a different story on Second Street where a "closing sale" sign hangs on his window advertising markdowns of 40 percent off. The last day of business for

Bhutan Handicrafts is on Sunday.

"Main Street was a lot better," Khenpo said on Wednesday. "People who come here [to downtown] get stuck with the promenade idea in their head."

The closing sale is not an uncommon sight on Second Street where the rent is considered to be expensive considering the low amount of food traffic it gets. O' My Sole, a shoe store on the corner of Broadway and Second Street, is also slashing prices in its own going out of business sale.

Though similar in size, there are differences between Second Street and Fourth

office use only, causing darkness along the street once 5 p.m. rolls around and many of the offices turn out the lights.

But once a commercial tenant moves out of one of the grandfathered buildings, the property owner has up to a year to find a new tenant to keep the building zoned as office space. If the building is still empty after one year, the space is automatically rezoned as retail, said Dave Wilson, president of Lee & Associates.

The closing of Robinsons-May in the spring after Federated Department Stores purchased the May Department Stores has

or whether they will find one anchor tenant to fill the vacancy.

Some changes are expected along Second Street too.

Popular LA Pan Asian restaurant Buddha's Belly has submitted a proposal to open a restaurant in the Hotel Carmel on Second Street. There are also plans to transform the former Mayfair Theatre at 214 Santa Monica Blvd., which closed shortly after the Northridge Earthquake, into a mixed-use development with ground floor retail and apartments above, York said.

Another theatre still in commission, Leammle's Monica Fourplex, has helped stimulate business for its neighbor, Historia. Historia clients are more likely to patronize the Leammle theatre rather than shop at an Old Navy or Banana Republic, Caswell said.

"For us, the promenade is not a factor," Caswell said. "People who go to the promenade are not looking to buy a 19th century painting from Mexico."

The Farmers' Market, spilling into Second Street off Arizona Avenue, has served as a source for potential customers for many of the businesses on Second Street. One of the beneficiaries is the Natural Resource Defense Council [NRDC] on 1314 Second St. The environmental organization is housed in the second greenest building in the United States.

Most of the activity in the NRDC comes from the free building tours conducted throughout the week for those who have scheduled an appointment. Other than the tours, and the crowd that comes into the center from the Farmers' Market, the NRDC remains a pretty quiet place.

"We have the gyms and yoga studios here. There isn't a lot of retail," said Gisela Levin of the NRDC. "We don't get a lot of foot traffic."

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"FOR US, THE PROMENADE IS NOT A FACTOR. PEOPLE WHO GO TO THE PROMENADE ARE NOT LOOKING TO BUY A 19TH CENTURY PAINTING FROM MEXICO."

Sidsie Caswell
Store Owner HISTORIA

Street, said Rob York of York Consulting Group, a contractor for Bayside District Corporation, which oversees Downtown Santa Monica.

Fourth Street has the benefit of seeing more vehicular traffic coming straight off the 10 Freeway while Second Street dead ends to the south on Colorado Avenue. Unlike Second Street, where most buildings have office space on the first floor, Fourth Street boasts an eclectic mix of retailers and restaurants up and down the corridor. Anchor tenants, which are absent on Second Street, such as REI and Circuit City also helps bring in more traffic to Fourth Street.

Another problem lies in the zoning requirement for many of the buildings on Second Street, which are grandfathered in as

also hurt the Second Street district where one of the main entrances to Santa Monica Place once faced. The entrance closed after Robinsons-May did.

Macy's, whose main entrance faces Fourth Street, remains open.

Macerich Co., which owns Santa Monica Place, is planning to give the mall a major facelift in coming years, recently submitting preliminary plans to build an open-air shopping center that would flow with the promenade.

Robyn Young, senior manager of development relations at Santa Monica Place, said there are no immediate plans to fill the space formerly occupied by Robinsons-May. Macerich officials are unsure of whether the space will be chopped up into smaller stores

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"My guy picked up a bottle of wine and said, 'I let you go before, but I'm not going to give you money this time,'" Sharif said. "He picked up the bottle and said he was going to smash it over the guy's head. The guy dropped the bat and said he was just kidding. He was pretty scared and ran out."

Sharif said police told him that Schmidt was responsible for robberies at other stores in the area.

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City Hall trying to find some solution for alley congestion

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isn't gridlock.

"But we would definitely like to be able to manage the vehicles better in the alleys," said Kathleen Rawson, executive director of the Bayside District Corp. a public-private management company that helps City Hall run downtown. "It's complex. There's not just one issue at play, but multiple things. The problem is that the alleys are really service alleys and play a critical role in the operation of downtown businesses. You not only have UPS trucks, you have garbage trucks, Arrowhead delivery guys. They are just heavily used."

Rawson said Bayside has been in discussion with City Hall to come up with a traffic management plan. Talks are still ongoing.

City Hall is currently looking for trash haulers to take over the commercial side of the business, therefore eliminating the more than 40 different companies that currently collect garbage in downtown. This will eliminate traffic and help reduce pollution, said Craig Perkins, City Hall's director of environmental and public works management.

Shoppers are also forced to enter the adjacent parking structures from the street instead of the alleys to cut down on traffic, and garbage bins have been placed in recessed holding bins to keep them out of the alley.

Those who frequently use the alleys have asked for City Hall to assign parking officers

to monitor the deliveries and regulate traffic but their presence is lacking.

"There's never any cops back here," said "It's pretty much up to the drivers to keep the peace."

Fights have broken out between drivers because of frustration, Beacom said.

"You really have to try and think about other people when you come down here," he said. "You have to be aware of how your parked and you have to make your deliveries quickly because you don't want to be blocking traffic for too long."

Lucy Dyke, the transportation planning manager for City Hall, said keeping traffic moving through the alley must depend largely on the common sense and courtesy of those who use them.

City staff is currently review how the alleys are used as they look to update the land-use and circulation element of the city's general plan. Making alleys more pedestrian friendly is also being discussed, Dyke said.

"You could impose stricter fines for motorists who park there, but those who would be paying the fines would be those who use downtown the most and ensure that it is a vibrant place to be," Dyke said. "You have to really find a balance on how many fines you want to issue and how much people can put up with them. We are trying to find that balance."

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OBITUARY Ford revived Watergate debate

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Ford was an accidental president. A Michigan Republican elected to Congress 13 times before becoming the first appointed vice president in 1973 after Spiro Agnew left amid scandal, Ford was Nixon's hand-picked successor, a man of much political experience who had never run on a national ticket. He was as open and straightforward as Nixon was tightly controlled and conspiratorial.

Ford took office moments after Nixon resigned in disgrace over Watergate.

"My fellow Americans," Ford said, "our long national nightmare is over. Our Constitution works. Our great republic is a government of laws and not of men. Here the people rule."

And, true to his reputation as unassuming Jerry, he added: "I am acutely aware that you have not elected me as your president by your ballots. So I ask you to confirm me with your prayers."

He revived the debate over Watergate a month later by granting Nixon a pardon for all crimes he committed as president.

That single act, it was widely believed, contributed to Ford losing election to a term of his own in 1976. But it won praise in later years as a courageous act that allowed the nation to move on.

The Vietnam War ended in defeat for the U.S. during his presidency with the fall of Saigon in April 1975. In a speech as the end neared, Ford said: "Today, America can regain the sense of pride that existed before Vietnam. But it cannot be achieved by refighting a war that is finished as far as America is concerned." Evoking Abraham Lincoln, he said it was time to "look forward to an agenda for the future, to unify, to bind up the nation's wounds."

Ford was in the White House only 895 days,

but changed it more than it changed him.

Even after two women tried separately to kill him, his presidency remained open and plain.

Not imperial. Not reclusive. And, of greatest satisfaction to a nation numbed by Watergate, not dishonest.

Even to millions of Americans who had voted two years earlier for Nixon, the transition to Ford's leadership was one of the most welcomed in the history of the democratic process — despite the fact that it occurred without an election.

After the Watergate ordeal, Americans liked their new president — and first lady Betty, whose candor charmed the country.

In a long congressional career in which he rose to be House Republican leader, Ford lit few fires. In the words of Congressional Quarterly, he "built a reputation for being solid, dependable and loyal — a man more comfortable carrying out the programs of others than in initiating things on his own."

When Agnew resigned in a bribery scandal in October 1973, Ford was one of four finalists to succeed him: Texan John Connally, New York's Nelson Rockefeller and California's Ronald Reagan.

"Personal factors enter into such a decision," Nixon recalled for a Ford biographer in 1991. "I knew all of the final four personally and had great respect for each one of them, but I had known Jerry Ford longer and better than any of the rest.

"We had served in Congress together. I had often campaigned for him in his district," Nixon continued. But Ford had something the others didn't: he would be easily confirmed by Congress, something that could not be said of Rockefeller, Reagan and Connally.

So Ford became the first vice president appointed under the 25th amendment to the Constitution.



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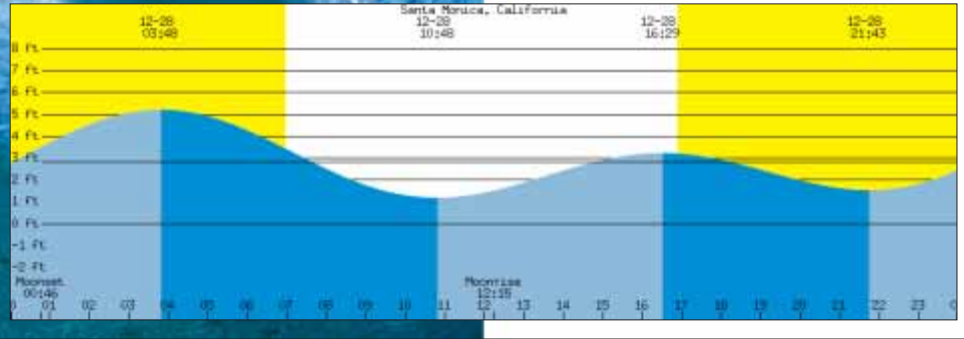
SURF CONDITIONS

SWELL FORECAST (14-16 FT)
The weather should begin to clear, but winds will likely remain problematic. Wind swell is also expected to be a dominant feature with choppy conditions highly likely. As for size, if the faces can hold up, then peaks at west facing breaks running 2-4 feet overhead seems a reasonable call.

LONG RANGE SYNOPSIS
WEATHER AND WIND BEARING DOWN ON COAST...
SMALLER NW DURING SECOND HALF OF WEEK...

WATER TEMP: 60°

TIDE FORECAST FOR TODAY IN SANTA MONICA





NORTH LOS ANGELES COUNTY

Grades for this report are based on monitoring data from the previous four weeks up to the ending date of

December 5, 2006

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QUICK STATS
(for the last 28 days)

Number of sewage spills -- 0

Number of beach closures due to a sewage spill -- 8

Number of wet days -- 4

Number of A grades for dry/wet weather -- 37 / 31

Number of (C,D,F) grades for dry/wet weather -- 10 / 13

The Beach Report Card is made possible by a grant from



Heal the Bay reminds you not to swim or surf within 100 yards of any flowing storm drain or for 3 days after a rainstorm. After a rain, indicator bacteria counts at beaches throughout California usually far exceed health criteria in the state's Beach Closure and Health Warning Protocol.

LOCATION	DRY	WET
Leo Carrillo Beach, at Arroyo Sequit Creek mouth	A	A+
Nicholas Beach at San Nicholas Canyon Creek mouth	A+	A+
El Pescador State Beach, between Lachusa and Los Aliso creeks	A+	A+
Encinal Canyon at El Matador State Beach	A+	A+
Broad Beach at Trancas Creek mouth	A+	A+
Zuma Beach at Zuma Creek mouth	A+	A+
Walnut Creek, projection of Wildlife Rd. (private)	A+	A+
Paradise Cove Pier at Ramirez Canyon Creek mouth	F	F
Escondido Creek, just east of Escondido State Beach	A+	A+
Latigo Canyon Creek mouth	A	F
Solstice Canyon at Dan Blocker County Beach	A	A+
Puerto State Beach at creek mouth	A+	A+
Marie Canyon storm drain at Puerto Beach, at 24572 Malibu Rd.	F	F
Surfrider Beach at Malibu Colony fence	A+	A+
Surfrider Beach (breach location)- daily	A	F
Malibu Pier - 50 yards east	A+	A+
Carbon Beach at Sweetwater Canyon	A+	ns
Las Flores State Beach at Las Flores Creek (point zero)	A+	A+
Big Rock Beach at 19948 PCH stairs	F	A+
Pena Creek at Las Tunas County Beach	A+	A+
Tuna Canyon	ns	A+
Topanga State Beach at creek mouth	A	A+
Castlerock Storm Drain at Castle Rock Beach	F	ns
Santa Ynez Storm Drain at Castle Rock Beach	F	ns
Will Rogers State Beach at 17200 PCH (1/4 mile east of Sunset drain)	A+	A+

LEGEND

DRY -- each location is graded on an A - F scale based on bacterial pollution levels present in the surf zone

WET -- grades for days of recorded rainfall and the following 3 days

ns -- no sample taken



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LOCATION	DRY	WET
Will Rogers State Beach at Bel Air Bay Club drain near fence	A+	F
Will Rogers State Beach at Pulga Canyon storm drain	A+	A+
Will Rogers State Beach at Temescal Canyon drain	A+	F
Will Rogers State Beach at Santa Monica Canyon drain (Chautauqua)	F	F
Santa Monica Beach at Montana Ave. drain	F	A+
Santa Monica Beach at Wilshire Blvd. drain	D	D
Santa Monica Municipal Pier	F	A+
Santa Monica Beach at Pico/Kenter storm drain	A	F
Santa Monica Beach at Strand St. (in front of the restrooms)	A	A+
Ocean Park Beach at Ashland Ave. drain	A	A+
Venice City Beach, at the Rose Ave. storm drain	A+	A+
Venice Beach at Brooks Ave. drain	A	A+
Venice Beach at Windward Ave. drain	A+	B
Venice Fishing Pier - 50 yards south	A+	A+
Venice Beach- projection of Topsail St.	A+	A+
Marina del Rey, Mothers' Beach- lifeguard tower	C	A
Dockweiler State Beach at Ballona Creek mouth	A	F
Dockweiler State Beach at Culver Blvd. drain	A+	D
North Westchester Storm Drain at Dockweiler State Beach	A+	F
Dockweiler State Beach at World Way (south of D&W jetty)	A+	A+
Dockweiler State Beach at Imperial Hwy drain	A+	D
Dockweiler Beach- opposite Hyperion Treatment Plant	A+	A+
Dockweiler State Beach at Grand Ave. drain	A+	A+

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Invite others over, Cap

JACQUELINE BIGAR'S STARS
The stars show the kind of day you'll have:

★★★★★ Dynamic ★★★★★ Positive
★★★★ Average ★★ So-So ★ Difficult



ARIES (March 21-April 19)

★★★★ Creativity comes from discussions with friends or from brainstorming. You might be on overload. Excessive feelings spin out. Lots of guidance comes from creativity. Your imagination takes you to a new level. Let your personality flow. Tonight: Take your time sorting through ideas.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

★★★ Listen to your instincts. Basics come from a new point of view. Work with someone on an individual level. Tune in to what is necessary, not what you want. A pragmatic view can save the day. Tonight: Take some long-overdue personal time.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

★★★★★ Zero in on the essentials. Others might see you as stern as your practical personality emerges. You go a bit overboard, and others feel overwhelmed. Listen to your sixth sense regarding an intense person. Tonight: Still living life as if there is no tomorrow.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

★★★ Stand up and be counted. How you view a situation changes. Listen to feedback from someone who definitely handles life differently. Be willing to put in that extra effort. Tonight: A force not to be reckoned with.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

★★★★ If you can see the other side, you will be able to accept and solve any issue. What is clear is that your impulsive nature, though you do try to restrain it, draws results. Nurture rather than criticize. Your views can impact others. Tonight: Choose a mind-relaxing activity.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

★★★★ Your smile proves to be a winner. Others want to understand and relate closely. Though you might be a bit uncomfortable, you will make a difference. Realize more of what is necessary to make your life tick. Tonight: Be a duo.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

★★★★★ Reach out for others. You might be delighted by what comes down your path. Allow more opportunities by expanding your immediate circle. A sense of well-being emanates from you, especially when you are home. Tonight: Listen to suggestions.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

★★★ Grasp what needs to happen. You might quite suddenly see someone in a different light. Understanding comes from those in your life who you often put on a pedestal. The lack of judgment makes you less uptight. Tonight: Easy does it.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

★★★★★ Your perspective is in great demand. Evaluate. Consider. Making snap judgments could cause more problems than you'd like to deal with. Reach out to someone at a distance who sometimes might be aloof or sad. Tonight: Do your thing.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

★★★ Anchor in and understand. Sometimes stripping away your opinions allows for a clearer field of vision. Intensity marks your interactions with a key partner. Understand the uniqueness in this person. Tonight: Invite others over.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

★★★★ You might want to examine what is going on with others. Sometimes even if you walk in their footsteps, an ability to identify with them can elude you. Work on listening. Accepting someone as he or she is is step number one. Tonight: Run errands and visit.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

★★ Expenses go overboard, which, if you think about it, is normal for the season. Your discomfort helps you quickly straighten out any problems. Trust yourself to make good choices. A friend lightens up the mood. Tonight: Gather your bills, even if you don't pay them yet.

Born Today

Actor Denzel Washington (1954)

Actress Sienna Miller (1981)

Violinist Nigel Kennedy (1956)



Happy Birthday!

Center on the basics this birthday year. Reflect and consider what might not be working for you. You have a tendency to overindulge. As you have so much fun, reining yourself in might be difficult. Although you might be uncomfortable, you'll want to let go of what isn't working. The following year, 2008, will offer special opportunities that you need to prepare for now. Frequently ask yourself what you want and need. Formulate a wish list! A partnership could test your patience and willingness. Your determination to maintain this relationship will be tested.

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It feels so good

Kidman and Urban reunite after rehab

NICOLE KIDMAN and KEITH URBAN have reunited in the actress' hometown of Sydney after the Australian-reared country singer completed treatment for alcohol abuse, media reports said Wednesday. Cameras caught

Urban, 39, checked himself into a rehabilitation treatment center in the United States in October, with Kidman by his side. He flew into Sydney on Tuesday, Australian Associated Press reported. Cameras caught

Kidman, also 39, and Urban holding hands as they left the United International Pictures office Wednesday. The couple said nothing to the media as they walked to a car and were driven away. Kidman, who won a best

actress Oscar for 2002's "The Hours," has been in Sydney since before Christmas and is working on a movie in Australia, AAP and Nine Network television reported. Urban hasn't visited Australia since he married

Kidman in a lavish Sydney wedding in June. The couple then moved to Nashville, Tenn., where Urban records. His latest album, "Love, Pain, & the whole crazy thing," was released last month.

ASSOCIATED PRESS

Turin Film Festival gets artistic view

Italian filmmaker NANNI MORETTI has been named artistic director of the Turin Film Festival, an event that focuses on young directors and independent movies from around the world. "(The festival's) work in researching new cinema and finding less conventional authors is of great impor-

tance," Moretti said Wednesday in a statement. "I accepted ... to become artistic director in the hope of contributing to strengthen it." The Turin event held its 24th edition in November, but could face increasing competition from the storied Venice Film Festival as well as a new event launched this year in Rome.

Moretti won top honors at the Cannes film festival in 2001 with his film "The Son's Room" - the story of a psychoanalyst whose happy family life is shattered when his teenage son dies in a freak diving accident. The actor-director is also known for his lighthearted films dealing with his own experiences such as 1994's

"Caro Diario," as well as his more politically charged works as a vocal supporter of leftist parties in Italy. This year's "Il Caimano (The Caiman)" - released less than a month before the April elections - served up a fierce critique of then conservative Premier Silvio Berlusconi and of modern-day Italy.

AP

Sandler brings joy to kids with cancer

ADAM SANDLER, a New Hampshire native, helped brighten Christmas for a sister and brother who are struggling with cancer. The 40-year-old actor, whose movie credits include "The Longest Yard," "50 First Dates" and "Mr. Deeds," sent a Sony Corp. PlayStation 3 loaded with games to 15-year-old Stephanie and 18-year-old Kevin Hudon of Manchester. Sandler also sent signed DVDs, jerseys and an autographed "Longest Yard" poster. Stephanie has bone cancer that recently spread to her lungs. She is scheduled for surgery Jan. 8. Kevin

was diagnosed with Hodgkin's lymphoma in November and is undergoing chemotherapy. Christine Monahan, a teacher at Manchester Memorial High School, said the package from Sandler arrived last week. Monahan has been helping raise money for the family. Memorial High senior Nathan Burditt camped out 34 hours last month to buy a PlayStation 3 and then, on Monahan's suggestion, gave the video game console as a prize in a fundraising raffle. Monahan said in a phone interview Tuesday, "I was completely sarcastic." But

Burditt, 18, took her seriously. His explanation is simple. "I've had my tough times," he said Tuesday of medical problems that included frequent trips to a Boston hospital as a child and heart surgery last summer. Burditt's donation of the \$600 video game console sent the fundraising project to a new level. Monahan had hoped to raise \$500 to help the Hudon family pay some bills and buy Christmas gifts. Instead, the project raised \$21,000. "Everybody out there, I just wanted to say 'thank you' and my family thanks

you," Stephanie said. Meanwhile, Burditt won his PlayStation 3 back - albeit reluctantly. Monahan said that wasn't a big surprise since many people buying tickets wrote his name on them. Burditt wanted to sell it and donate the money to the Hudons, but the family said no. "They had said I've already done enough. I don't really see it the same way, but I'm not going to go against what they say," he said. For now, Monahan is keeping the system boxed at her house until Burditt makes a decision.

AP

SOUP KITCHEN SURVIVORS

Host JEFF PROBST and his girlfriend, former contestant JULIE BERRY, served Christmas dinner at a soup kitchen and were spotted the following day shopping at a Target store. Probst said the experience of volunteering to serve meals at the Wayside Soup Kitchen was a chance to bring some perspective to the "frantic" holiday season. "It's a chance to remember how fortunate you are," he said Tuesday. He made the comments as he and Berry shopped at Target in South Portland, where they mingled with customers and posed for pictures. "We keep running into friends of hers every other aisle," Probst said. The couple spent the holiday with Berry's family in Gorham. Probst, 45, is taking a break after filming the upcoming season of CBS Corp.'s "Survivor." Crew members get a few months off after shooting two seasons back-to-back, he said.

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MOVIEGUIDE

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Wednesday
The Bank Dick, It's a Gift
7:30
Thursday
The Awful Truth, Ruggle of Red Gap
7:30

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1441 3rd Street
(310) 458-6232

Babel (R)
10:15am, 1:10, 4:10, 7:15, 10:20
Deja Vu (PG-13)
8:00, 10:45
The Good German (R)
10:45am, 1:30, 4:15, 7:00, 9:45
The Good Shepherd (R)
12:00, 3:45, 7:30, 11:00
Happy Feet (PG)
10:00am, 12:30, 3:00, 5:30

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

Apocalypto (R)
10:20am, 1:40, 4:40, 7:40, 10:45
Blood Diamond (R)
10:10am, 1:20, 4:20, 7:30, 10:40
Borat: Cultural Learnings of America for Make Benefit Glorious Nation of Kazakhstan (R)
7:00, 9:05
Dreamgirls (PG-13)
10:00am, 1:00, 4:10, 7:20, 10:10, 11:20
The Holiday (PG-13)
10:50am, 2:00, 5:00, 8:00, 11:00
Night at the Museum (PG)
10:30am, 12:00, 1:30, 2:35, 4:00, 5:20, 8:20, 10:50
The Pursuit of Happyness (PG-13)
11:20am, 2:00, 4:50, 7:50, 10:30

LANDMARK NUWILSHIRE
1314 Wilshire Blvd
(310) 281-8228

Little Children (R)
12:30, 3:45, 7:00, 9:50
Notes on a Scandal (R)
11:10am, 1:45, 4:30, 7:15, 9:55

LAEMMLE'S MONICA FOURPLEX
1332 2nd Street
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Curse of the Golden Flower (Man cheng jin dai huang jin jia) (R)
1:35, 4:25, 7:20, 10:10
Letters From Iwo Jima (R)
12:30, 3:45, 7:00, 10:15
The Queen (PG-13)
1:20, 4:15, 7:10, 9:45
Volter (R)
1:45, 4:35, 7:30, 10:15

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

Black Christmas (R)
12:40, 3:00, 5:20, 7:40, 10:20
Casino Royale (PG-13)
12:30, 3:50, 7:20, 10:40
Charlotte's Web (G)
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Rocky Balboa (PG)
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We Are Marshall (PG)
1:00, 4:00, 7:00, 10:00

The advertisement features a blue background with a large, stylized yellow and blue diamond logo containing a white drop shape. Below the logo, the text "LIQUID ICE ENERGY DRINK" is written in a bold, yellow, blocky font. To the right, the phrase "This Is No 'Bull'" is written in a large, red, italicized font. At the bottom left, the text "If you're gonna play the game you're gonna need the energy" is written in a yellow, blocky font. On the right side, there is a detailed image of a blue and silver can of Liquid Ice Energy Drink, tilted diagonally. The can has the brand name "LIQUID ICE" and "ENERGY DRINK" printed on it, along with a small logo.

Janric Classic Sudoku

Fill in the blank cells using numbers 1 to 9. Each number can appear only once in each row, column, and 3x3 block. Use logic and process of elimination to solve the puzzle. The difficulty level ranges from Bronze (easiest) to Silver to Gold (hardest).

Difficulty
BRONZE

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GETTING STARTED

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

SOLUTIONS TO LAST PUZZLE

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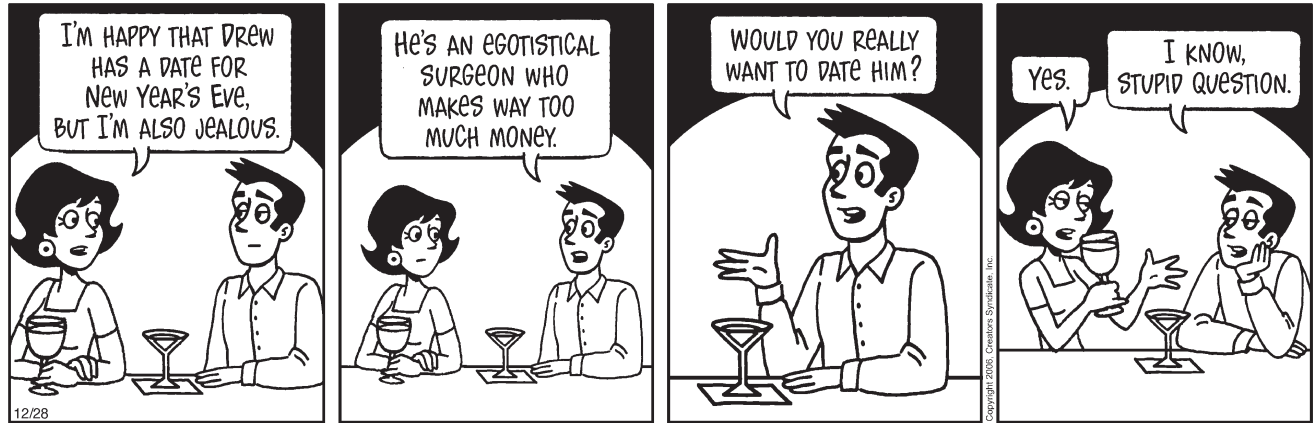
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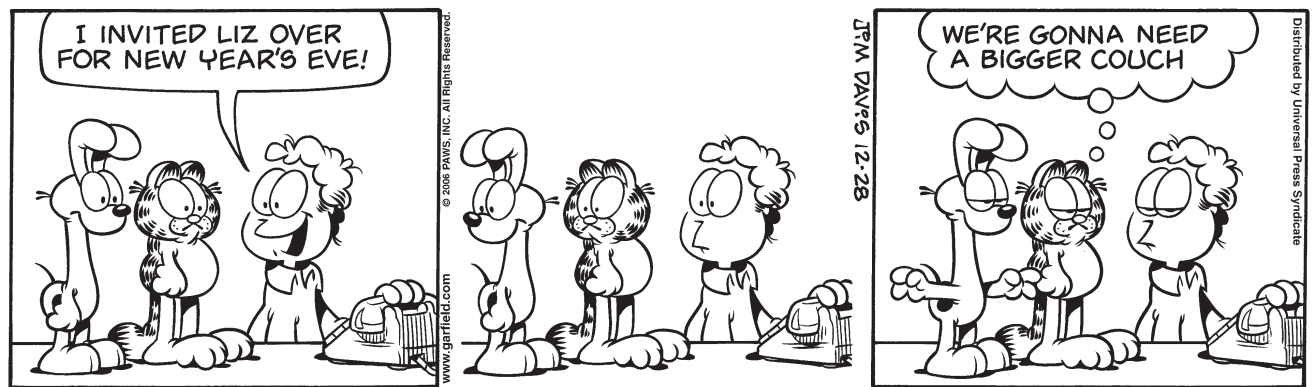
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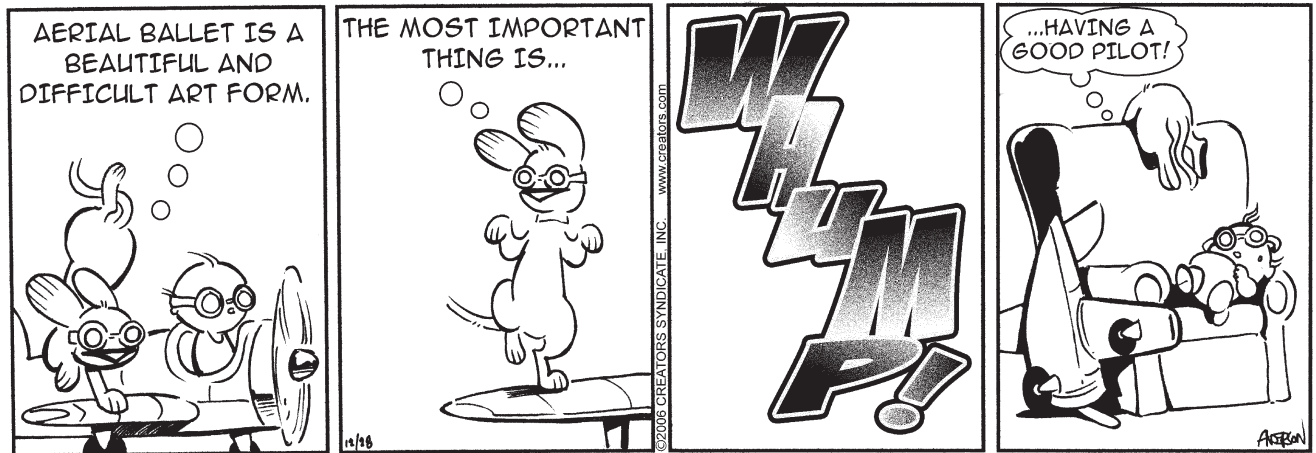
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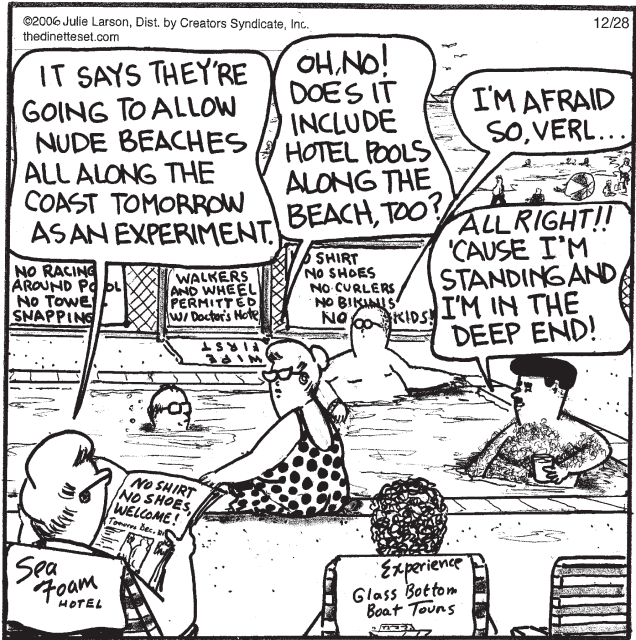


Dog eat Doug

By Brian Anderson



The Dinette Set by Julie Larson



Natural Selection By Russ Wallace



Speed Bump By Dave Coverly



CROSSWORD

By THOMAS JOSEPH

ACROSS

- 1 Heidi's home
- 5 Asian island
- 11 Corrida critter
- 12 Irritate
- 13 "The Doctor —"
- 14 Girl in a Beach Boys song
- 15 "The Idylls of the King" poet
- 17 Course need
- 18 Shred
- 22 View obscurers
- 24 Teatime treat
- 25 One, for Juan
- 26 Musical princess
- 27 Ticket halves
- 30 Fancy home
- 32 Complete
- 33 Join a cast
- 34 Tokens of love
- 38 Small beard
- 41 Audition goal
- 42 Niche
- 43 Zap in a micro-wave, in slang

- 44 Cheated at hide-and-seek
- 45 Dance bit

DOWN

- 1 Fighting
- 2 Finish last
- 3 Gets a hard copy of
- 4 Poem type
- 5 Sailors
- 6 Can't stand
- 7 Arch
- 8 Pallid
- 9 Say further
- 10 Arts-funding org.
- 16 Agreeable answer

- 19 Indicates
- 20 Ruin
- 21 Still life fruit
- 22 Need to
- 23 Obsessed with
- 28 Composer Béla
- 29 Jacket part
- 30 Impair
- 31 Squirrel's stash
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- 40 Trick taker, often

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CASE NO. BP102065

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A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by KYOKO KOBAYASHI in the Superior Court of California, County of LOS ANGELES.

THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that KYOKO KOBAYASHI be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

THE PETITION requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act with limited authority. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority. A HEARING on the petition will be

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NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF
THELMA CUMMINGS BAIN aka
THELMA C. BAIN

Case No. BP102013

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of THELMA CUMMINGS BAIN aka THELMA C. BAIN

A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by Ron Bain in the Superior Court of California, County of LOS ANGELES.

THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that Ron Bain be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

THE PETITION requests the decedent's will and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The will and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court.

THE PETITION requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.

A HEARING on the petition will be held on January 16, 2007 at 8:30 AM in Dept. No. 5 located at 111 N. Hill St., Los Angeles, CA 90012.

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NOTICE OF AMENDED PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF:
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CASE NO. SP006985

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AN AMENDED PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by LISA B. DESFORGE in the Superior Court of California, County of LOS ANGELES. THE AMENDED PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that LISA B. DESFORGE be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

THE AMENDED PETITION requests the decedent's WILL and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The WILL and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court.

THE AMENDED PETITION requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.

A HEARING on the petition will be held on 01/19/07 at 9:15AM in Dept. F located at 1725 Main St., Santa Monica, CA 90401

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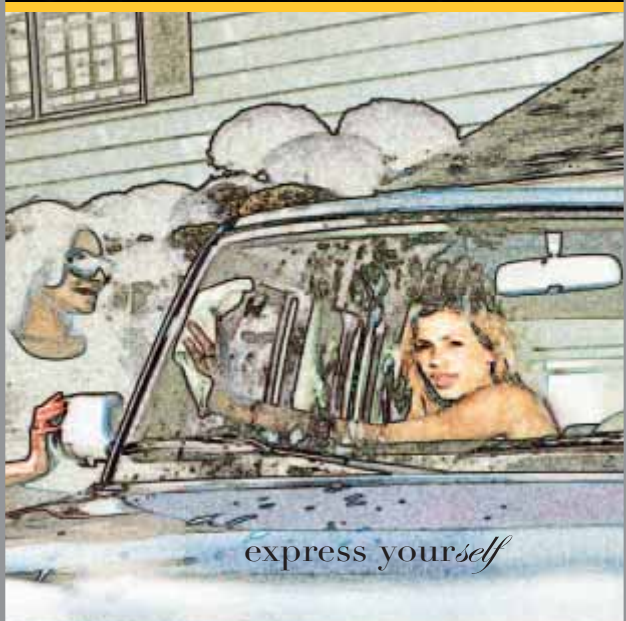
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