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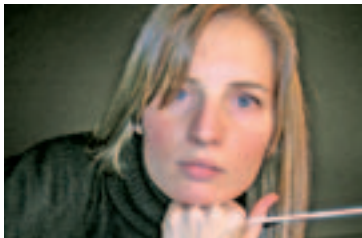
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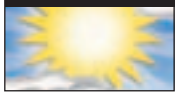
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Activists occupy the abandoned North Star hotel (5 West Hastings St.) yesterday, unfurling a banner reading, "Homes Now." They are protesting the closure of hotels that house low-income residents. Yesterday was the final day of Homelessness Awareness Week.

Activists occupy hotel

Homelessness protesters await police reaction before stepping up squat



About 80 protesters gathered yesterday at Pigeon Park to demand that the city provide social housing, while eight others occupied the abandoned North Star Hotel, just around the corner at 5 West Hastings St.

Homelessness is on the rise in Vancouver, partly due to closures of cheap hotels that house some of the city's poorest residents.

David Cunningham, of the Anti-Poverty Committee, said organizers were waiting to gauge reaction from police before bringing more people into the squat.

"We don't want to lead in a bunch of homeless people to get arrested," said Cunningham, who promised further demonstrations and occupations in the weeks to come.

At press time, police were trying to determine who owned the building before taking any action.

"The Vancouver Police Department has always stood behind any initiative to get people off the streets," said Const. Tim Fanning, adding that police want to make sure any protests are peaceful.

In expletive-loaded statements,

memories of Woodward's

► In September 2002, 53 protesters squatted for about three months in the vacant Woodward's building before being moved to an Eastside hotel about three blocks away.

Cunningham slammed the current and past municipal governments for allowing hotels to close down, forcing some occupants onto the street.

"There are empty buildings and there are people on the street. That is a crime," yelled Theo Collins into a microphone hooked up to a small p.a.

The focus on homelessness dissolved somewhat as the microphone was passed around.

"I've been in Pigeon Park for 20 years and I'm not going anywhere," shouted one man, before lighting a crack pipe.

Another shared his thoughts on U.S. President George W. Bush.

From the fourth-storey window above, one of the squatters, Kim Kerr, yelled down that he wanted people to remember what the protest was about.

"We want the city of Vancouver to live up to its promise — a promise to buy one hotel a year," said Kerr, who is director of the Downtown Eastside Residents Association.

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A UNIVERSITY of Calgary researcher predicts that Whistler will have no natural snow by the 2010 Olympics. Dave Reynolds said B.C. ski hills will suffer from global warming sending skiers to Alberta mountains instead. SOURCE: CBC News Online



COQUITLAM RCMP yesterday found a man who got lost hiking at Buntzen Lake Saturday. The man also got lost at Golden Ears park just weeks ago. SOURCE: news1130.com



Court ready to rule on sewage

District in hot water for alleged dumping into Burrard Inlet



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A British Columbia Provincial Court judge will decide today whether to approve charges against the province and the Greater Vancouver Regional District (GVRD) for allegedly pumping toxic sewage into Burrard Inlet.

Environmental investiga-

tor Douglas Chapman is alleging that effluent from the Lion's Gate sewage treatment is harmful to fish and therefore violates Canada's Fisheries Act.

"The GVRD, in its monitoring and reporting, is failing about one in every three of its toxicity tests," said Lara Tessaro, a staff lawyer with Sierra Legal Defence Fund, who is representing Chapman in today's charge approval hearing.

Generally, higher levels of toxic surfactants — detergents and soaps that reduce the available oxygen in

water — were found during the drier summer months when salmon runs were moving down Burrard Inlet, Tessaro said.

Christianne Wilhelmson, program co-ordinator with the Georgia Strait Alliance of the groups supporting the court action, said the ultimate goal is to get the Lions Gate plant — a primary sewage treatment plant — converted to secondary treatment.

Primary treatment separates solid wastes from liquid, while secondary treatment uses bacteria to consume biological contaminants.

special treatment

► The GVRD has five sewage treatment plants, of which three are secondary treatment plants and two are primary treatment plants.

"It's not acceptable, they know secondary sewage treatment is the solution to the problem, but they're ignoring that and continuing to pollute our waters," Wilhelmson said.

The GVRD is developing plans to install secondary treatment at the plant by 2030.



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Kathryn King, front, inventor of the compression bra, for women such as Christine Smith, rear, who have had heart surgery.

Bra breakthrough

Can be worn right after heart surgery

It won't make a big splash in Victoria's Secret catalogues, but a new bra could be a sure hit with women recovering from heart surgery.

Kathryn King, a University of Calgary researcher, came up with a specialized compression bra for women who experience numbness, tingling and shooting sensations in their breasts after their chests are opened for surgery. King presented findings of the two-year study at the Canadian Cardiovascular Congress in Vancouver yesterday.

She said the bra can be worn right after heart

surgery in the operating room.

"This is why it's so neat, it can go on that early," she said. "It doesn't interfere with the monitoring equipment and they're able to have the chest tubes in."

Currently, women are asked to bring a comfortable bra to the hospital but aren't able to wear it for up to four days.

The soft, tight-fitting compression bra closes in the front with a zipper and has straps that include Velcro. That makes the bra adjustable to accommodate changing breast sizes due to fluid retention or weight loss. It also has no metal clasps that can interfere with X-rays.

CANADIAN PRESS

Diwali celebrations all about keeping it light

Performances highlight festival

By JEFF HODSON
Metro Vancouver

The appeal of Diwali, said Paromita Naidu, is that people can relate to it.

"Light over darkness, good over evil, knowledge over ignorance, it's very relatable," said Naidu, chair of the Vancouver Celebrates Diwali 2006 celebrations.

"It's one of the few festivals that crosses religious and cultural boundaries."

Known as the Festival of Lights, Diwali is a major event for Hindus, Sikhs and Jains. Diyas (small oil lamps) are lit as a sign of celebration and hope.

In Vancouver, Diwali celebrations culminated yesterday with cultural performances at the Roundhouse Community Centre in Yaletown.



JEFF HODSON/METRO VANCOUVER

Vandana Sidher performs the Tillana, a dance, during Diwali celebrations at the Roundhouse Community Centre in Yaletown yesterday.

Naidu said the celebrations were meaningful, allowing the older generation of South Asians to "transport their

memories" and "transmit culture" to the younger generation. Yesterday's celebrations also included the Diwali Chai

House at the Wise Hall. The event featured dance and poetry from emerging South Asian artists.

NEWS IN BRIEF

• **BODY** A toddler who went missing has been found dead in North Vancouver. The three-year-old was reported missing on Friday. Police were told the boy was playing with his friends when he wandered off on his own. The area was searched and the boy was found in a nearby swimming pool. Emergency crews failed to revive the child and he was dead on arrival at hospital.

The name of the boy will not be released at the request of his family.

• **WILDLIFE** Five killer whales that usually swim with pods along the B.C. coast have been missing for more than a month and researchers say they fear the marine mammals may be dead, CBC News Online reports.

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A NEW POLL suggests the Conservatives are losing the support of female voters after cuts to women's advocacy groups and an alleged sexist slur by Foreign Affairs Minister Peter MacKay against former girlfriend MP Belinda Stronach, right. Canadian Press



A DECIMA Research Survey released this weekend suggests that 34 per cent of female voters support the Liberals, 28 per cent the Tories and 16 per cent the NDP. Canadian Press

MY view

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Ruling bad for programs

The B.C. Supreme Court's recent ruling that school boards may not charge for any goods or services that are an essential part of K-12 student curriculums may make a handful of parents happy, but the programs, and more specifically the students, will surely suffer.

In my photography class last year, we were asked to pay a \$40 fee to cover the expenses of our photo paper and camera repairs. We were urged to pay the fee as soon as possible, otherwise we simply wouldn't be able to afford the materials needed. Photography proved to be a creative outlet for other students and myself, the one period in our day that didn't force us to simply take notes — it required us to use our imaginations.

Students often discover their life-long passions in elective courses, but without school fees being paid for photo paper, paint in art classes, and cooking materials in home economics, the courses would go nowhere and have little educational or inspirational value. I certainly don't enjoy paying these fees (or having my parents do so), but the fact of the matter is that these elective classes will not be the same, or may even cease to exist, without some kind of funding. Schools have always offered financial aid to those in need and all that students and parents need to do is ask.

→ MEGAN FORSYTH is a Grade 12 student at Burnaby Mountain Secondary.

LETTERS

Soldier's resignation worthy of praise

Re: Why B.C. man left military. The resignation of Francisco Juarez from the Canadian Armed Forces may be an indicator of (Prime Minister Stephen) Harper's increasingly unpopular shift from humanitarian assistance to pro-Bush, front-line combat missions. Allegations of illegal kidnappings, secret detentions, and torture of innocent citizens under the auspices of U.S. intelligence agents suggest that credibility must be given to a soldier who decides he will not have any part of this.

— JUERGEN DANKWORT, PH.D.
KWANTLEN UNIVERSITY, DEPT. OF SOCIOLOGY

Dissenters don't deserve coverage

Re: Why B.C. man left military. Why not write about the thousands of men and women who chose to serve and protect our country and who still do? Juarez apparently has a political axe to grind. Dissenters (however few) always seem to get more coverage than hon-

ourable and loyal folks doing their job.

— JIM JOHNSON, VANCOUVER

Stronach behaving like a hypocrite

Re: Alleged MacKay quip leaves Liberals howling. Has Belinda Stronach apologized to Tie Domi's wife first, before demanding an apology from (Peter) MacKay? She is a hypocrite. She feels his remarks are disrespectful, yet her own behaviour is quite despicable. She should look at herself.

— CHERYL LAI, VIA E-MAIL

Deserter setting bad example

Re: Why B.C. man left military. Francisco Juarez should have been mature enough to understand that the primary role of any military is to fight war. By joining and then deserting the military, he set a bad example. His public vilification of our military and brave soldiers is damage control for his personal image, at best, and betrayal to the nation, at worst.

— BIAN K. BASAK, VANCOUVER

TODAY'S debate

What do you think of TV Guide's switch from its print edition to an online version only?

FELIX WONG
28
Vancouver
"I never read the TV Guide, I always just check what's on online anyway. I go to Canada.com and there's a link for TV listings."

A.J. DURMAN
27
Vancouver
"I just don't think a lot of people will use it because a lot of people don't have computers. When I'm online that's the last thing I'm looking for."

JENNIFER GARDY
27
Yaletown
"I think it's great because paper is a waste of trees. I use the digital cable guide because it's way easier. I haven't even looked at the TV Guide in a decade."



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with Simi Sara

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Recipes

SPRIT BRAID SEAFOOD PLATTER WITH SAMBUCA FIDDLEHEAD SAUCE
Andrew George | Kla-how-eya Aboriginal Centre

<p>Ingredients:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2 x 4 oz strips Pacific salmon 4 oz strip halibut or cod 2 cups Court Bouillon (see recipe) 	<p>For Sambuca Fiddlehead Sauce:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 tbsp unsalted butter 3 shallots, finely chopped 1 clove garlic, finely chopped 2 tbsp Sambuca 1 cup whipping cream 2 oz fiddleheads, parboiled and drained 	<p>For Court Bouillon (for poaching fish):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1/2 large carrot, thinly sliced 1/2 large onion, thinly sliced 1 stalk celery, thinly sliced 6 black peppercorns, crushed 5 parsley stalks 1 bay leaf 1 tbsp salt 3/4 cup white wine vinegar 8 cups cold fish stock or water
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Directions:

For Court Bouillon (for poaching fish):

1. In a large heavy soup pot, place carrot, onion, celery, peppercorns, parsley stalks, bay leaf, salt, vinegar and fish stock. Bring to a boil, reduce heat and simmer, uncovered, for 20 minutes.

For Sambuca Fiddlehead Sauce:

1. In a medium skillet over medium-high heat, melt butter. Sauté shallots and garlic until shallots are softened.
2. Carefully stir in Sambuca; reduce by half.
3. Stir in cream and simmer until sauce thickens slightly. Add fiddleheads and simmer, stirring until fiddleheads are heated through.

To Prepare the Fish:

1. Braid three strips of fish (two salmon and one white fish) like you would hair. Skewer both ends with toothpicks to hold braid together.
2. In a large skillet, bring Court Bouillon to a simmer. Place braids carefully in a pan and poach 12 to 14 minutes until fish is tender.

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BLOC QUEBECOIS Leader Gilles Duceppe, right, says he is willing to force an election if the minority Conservative government doesn't deal with the so-called fiscal imbalance in the next federal budget. Canadian Press



OTTAWA needs to fulfill its promise of increasing federal transfers to the provinces in the near future, Duceppe told delegates Saturday at a Bloc convention in Quebec City. Canadian Press

Apologize or step down, Layton says

Peter MacKay should apologize or step down as Canada's foreign affairs minister for sexist comments he allegedly made towards female parliamentarians, the leader of the federal NDP party said Saturday.

Jack Layton said MacKay ought to say he's sorry for a remark heard during ques-

tion period Thursday, labelling Liberal MP and former girlfriend Belinda Stronach as a dog. MacKay denied the allegations.

Stronach maintains that she does not regret dating MacKay.

"I cared a lot about him," she told her biographer. "And I still do."

CANADIAN PRESS

Grits see red at debate

Rae attacks old friend Ignatieff over stance on war

Pounded by his rivals over allegedly hawkish writings on the war on terror, Michael Ignatieff got personal at a Liberal leadership debate Saturday.

Attempts by the other contenders to force the front-runner to explain his views on torture, pre-emptive war, targeted assassinations, and open-ended detentions were

drowned out by boos from his supporters.

When Bob Rae raised his writings to suggest his ideas contradicted the Charter of Rights, Ignatieff chided his longtime friend and talked about his mom.

"Listen carefully, my friend," Ignatieff replied curtly.

"You knew my mother, who was engaged to be married to a man who was killed through (Nazi) torture at Buchenwald.

"So you can be very sure

a hawkish position

► Liberal leadership candidate Stéphane Dion raised a 2002 column from a British newspaper and suggested Ignatieff is even more hawkish than U.S. President George W. Bush. In the *Guardian* piece, Ignatieff suggested the president should use military clout to impose the creation of a Palestinian state.

that as a prime minister, as a party leader, I oppose torture."

The two former university roommates then walked off the stage, walked towards their seats in the audience, and crossed paths without looking at each other.

Ignatieff supporters later drowned out Stéphane Dion when he said the one-time academic will have to answer — either now or in an election campaign — when pushed to explain his writings. Dion also scolded audience members for their response to Rae's attack on Ignatieff.

CANADIAN PRESS

Dads confront Governor General

Gov. Gen. Michaëlle Jean was confronted yesterday by a group of fathers claiming unfair treatment by the justice system in their custody battles.

A handful of demonstrators were protesting outside a conference on violence against women and stopped Jean as she left after giving a speech.

Daniel Laforest, spokesman for the group Fathers For Justice, argued that violence against men by their spouses is also an issue that needs to be addressed and wanted to give Jean a book of statistics illustrating his point.

"Two hundred and fifty thousand children have been prevented from living with their fathers," he called out to Jean. "It's serious."

CANADIAN PRESS



PETER MCCABE/CANADIAN PRESS

Gov. Gen. Michaëlle Jean receives a standing ovation from participants at an international conference on fighting violence against women in Montreal yesterday. Jean was also confronted by fathers claiming unfair treatment by the justice system in custody battles.

Harper calls Ontario, Quebec byelections

Prime Minister Stephen Harper, defying opinion polls that suggest his Conservatives are slipping in the key battlegrounds of Ontario and Quebec, has called a pair of byelections to fill vacant Commons seats in both provinces.

In a terse statement yesterday, Harper announced that

voters in London North Centre and the Montreal-area constituency of Repentigny will go to the polls Nov. 27.

Neither riding has been kind to the Tories in recent years and party insiders admit privately they face long odds this time around as well.

"The London seat is a pret-

Green gets ready

► The new head of the Green party, Elizabeth May, is going to run in the riding of London North Centre. CBC NEWS ONLINE

ty strong Liberal (one) and Repentigny is pretty strong Bloc Quebecois," said one Tory strategist. Canadian Press

NEWS IN BRIEF

• **LAW** In Winnipeg, men arrested for soliciting prostitutes would take days or weeks to sign up for a court-mandated awareness course called John School. When police started seizing their cars, they were signing up within hours. That's the result Alberta lawmakers and are hoping for starting today, when a new provincial law kicks in allowing police to seize John's cars. To get the car back, the offender may have to do community service. Canadian Press

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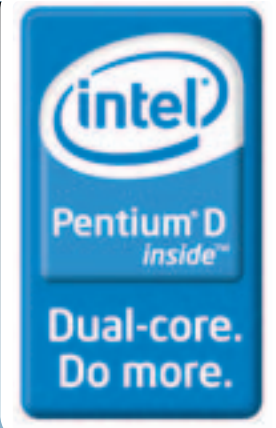
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A DETROIT MAN whose erotic pursuit of mannequins over the past 13 years has led to at least six convictions for breaking and entering and a stint in prison, has been accused of indulging his fetish again, police said. Associated Press



RONALD DOTSON, 39, was arrested and jailed Oct. 9 after breaking a window at a cleaning-supply company to get at a mannequin in a black and white French maid's uniform, police said. Associated Press

Judge exiles U.S. man to Canada

Legality of sentence being debated

Jail or Canada? Malcolm Watson chose Canada.

In an unusual sentence that has immigration lawyers questioning its legality, Watson, a U.S. citizen, has agreed to stay out of the United States for the next three years

as punishment for having sex with a 15-year-old female student.

Erie County, N.Y., District Attorney Frank Clark called the plea deal "a little dicey" but said the girl's family was happy with it.

Under the sentence for sexual abuse imposed by Cheektowaga Town Court, Watson can enter the United States

only to report to his probation officer. Watson already lives across the border in Fort Erie, Ont., with his Canadian wife and three children.

But exiling a citizen is unheard of, said Robert Kolken, a Buffalo immigration lawyer.

"I don't see how a judge sitting in a criminal court in the U.S. can lawfully banish a cit-

izen as a condition of sentencing," he said.

Cheektowaga Justice Thomas Kolbert could not be reached for comment.

Another immigration lawyer, Robert Berger, warned that Watson could be barred from entering Canada because of his new criminal record.

Even Watson's lawyer,

Oscar Smukler, said he was surprised by the deal.

"We did some research on the question of whether Canada might consider throwing (Watson) out, which would make him a man without a country," Smukler said.

The alternative sentence? As much as a year behind bars. ASSOCIATED PRESS

'Wild ride' of droughts, rain coming, study says

Global warming being blamed

The world, especially the Mediterranean region, Brazil and the western United States, will likely suffer more extended droughts, heavy rainfalls and longer heat waves over the next century because of global warming, a new study forecasts.

Canada will also see some changes, including more rainfall and a longer growing season, the study suggests.

In a preview of a major international multi-year report on climate change that comes out next year, a study out of the National Center for Atmospheric Research details what nine of the world's top computer models predict for the lurching of climate at its most extreme.

"It's going to be a wild ride, especially for specific regions," said study lead author Claudia Tebaldi, a scientist at the federally funded academic research centre.

double shot

According to the study, the Pacific Northwest, is predicted to get a strange double whammy of longer dry spells punctuated by heavier rainfall.

Canadian's wife, kids found dead in Mexico

Police seeking man for questioning

Police in the southern Mexican state Chiapas said on the weekend they were searching for a Canadian man whose wife and two children were found dead in the state capital Tuxtla Gutierrez.

A man identified as Charlie Petterson, 42, of Ottawa, has been missing since the bodies of Liliana Casillas and her two children, Ixchel, four, and Ethan, seven, were found Wednesday in the family home, said Jose Domingo

Perez, a spokesman for the Chiapas state police.

Police have not determined the cause of death of Casillas and the children, Perez said.

But he said hypodermic needles with traces of an unknown substance were found near the bodies.

Perez said Petterson is wanted for questioning in the deaths but there is no arrest warrant out for him.

The Foreign Affairs Department in Ottawa was aware of the reports from Mexico and said the Canadian Embassy in Mexico City was looking into it. ASSOCIATED PRESS



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PORK FAT FUN People stand in a chain holding sandwiches with pork fat at the Salo (pork fat) Festival in Lutsk, western Ukraine, yesterday. Participants declared their 43-metre line of sandwiches the world's longest salo-burger.

Insurgents target police recruits

IRAQ Insurgents ambushed a convoy of buses carrying police recruits northeast of Baghdad yesterday, killing at least 15 and wounding 25 others, police said. Authorities said dozens of other recruits were feared abducted following the midday attack outside a police recruiting centre near the restive city of Baqouba, 55 kilometres northeast of Baghdad.

Network airs video of sniper in Iraq

MEDIA Footage aired Saturday by Arab satellite television station Al Jazeera showed U.S. soldiers being shot by Iraqi snipers, whose commander said they trained using techniques from a book written by a retired U.S. army sniper.

The video shows at least three U.S. soldiers falling to the ground after apparently being shot by snipers in separate attacks. It was unclear when or where the attacks took place. ASSOCIATED PRESS

NEWS IN BRIEF

• **WHALING** Iceland has broken a global moratorium on commercial whaling, killing an endangered fin whale for the first time since the 1980s, the Icelandic media reported yesterday. Iceland announced last week that it would resume commercial whaling, ignoring a worldwide moratorium that came into effect in 1986.

• **ENRICHMENT** Iran offered Saturday to talk with the West about its disputed nuclear program days before the United States and its partners are expected to circulate a draft resolution providing for limited sanctions against Tehran. But prospects for UN action dimmed as Russia balked at punishing Iran. ASSOCIATED PRESS

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ABOUT 20 MILLION pink flamingos are believed to grace the lawns of homes across America since inventor Don Featherstone first created the waterfowl in 1957. Torstar News Service



Gel implants set to return

Health Canada approves silicone for two companies

Fourteen years after they were pulled from North American markets, silicone gel breast implants are making a return to Canada.

Health Canada announced Friday it has issued licences to two companies that make the implants, lifting restrictions on the use of the devices effective immediately.

Mentor Corp. and Allergan Inc., who make the approved products, had to agree to continue a long-term study of the safety of the implants and to develop new product labelling after holding focus

group sessions with Canadian doctors and women who have the devices implanted.

Dr. Supriya Sharma said Health Canada was persuaded, based on a thorough study of extensive evidence, that the products were safe for use. She said officials plowed through 65,000 pages of documents.

She said Health Canada was not deterred by a recent revelation from a U.S. watchdog group, Public Citizen, that a whistleblower has alleged Mentor withheld safety information from the Food and Drug Administration. Sharma said there is evidence to question the credibility of the allegations. CANADIAN PRESS

lawsuits

▶ **Manufacturer Dow Corning paid up to \$2.35 billion US to settle class-action lawsuits involving 300,000 women, including some from Canada, who said their health was harmed by the devices.**

Founder won't invest in Tim's

Joyce feels stock has hit plateau

Ron Joyce, co-founder of the Tim Hortons restaurant chain, revels in the coffee-selling giant he created — but not enough to reinvest any of his millions in it.

The company's stock-market value is over \$6 billion but the author of Always Fresh: The Untold Story Of Tim Hortons says Tim's has likely hit a plateau for investors.

That's not to say he doesn't love Tim's. His autobiography is a tribute to the chain and the franchise owners who helped build it from a single cramped diner. CANADIAN PRESS



Tim Hortons co-founder Ron Joyce enjoys a coffee in Toronto Friday, revelling in the coffee-selling giant he created. AARON HARRIS/CANADIAN PRESS

Gas price dip may spur retail sales boom

Gasoline prices plunged 17.4 per cent in September, driving down Canada's broadest inflation figure below 1 per cent, despite increases in the costs of women's clothes,

cars, natural gas and tuition fees, Statistics Canada says.

And much of the money consumers are saving at the pumps could find its way into retailers' hands this holiday

season, economists suggest.

Consumer prices fell 0.5 per cent in September, slashing the annual inflation rate to 0.7 per cent from 2.1 per cent. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

YouTube removes 30,000 video files

COPYRIGHT The video-sharing site YouTube deleted nearly 30,000 files after a Japanese entertainment group complained of copyright infringement. Most videos posted on YouTube are homemade, but the site also features copyright material posted by individual users. ASSOCIATED PRESS



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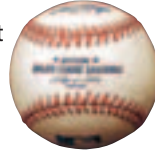
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BASEBALL players and owners have reached a tentative agreement on a five-year labour contract, a person with knowledge of the negotiations told The Associated Press yesterday. An official announcement could come as soon as today.

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A TEARY-EYED Sacramento Kings coach Eric Musselman apologized yesterday for his arrest a day earlier on a drunken driving charge.

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SPORTS IN BRIEF

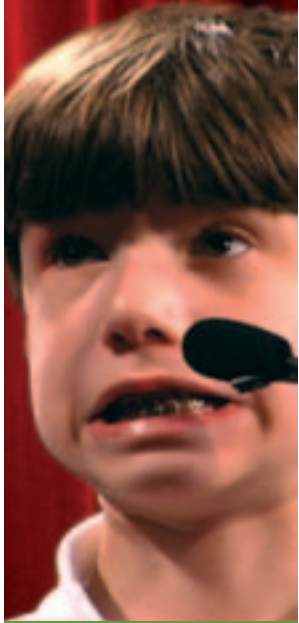
- **NHL** Chicago Blackhawks centre Michal Handzus will miss rest of season with torn knee ligament, the team announced yesterday. Handzus the injury during Saturday's game against the St. Louis Blues. Blackhawks goaltender Nikolai Khabibulin also suffered a broken finger during the game.
- **NHL** Pittsburgh Penguins forward Ryan Malone will be sidelined four-to-six weeks with a broken forearm, the team said yesterday. He was injured in Saturday's 5-3 victory over Columbus.

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Hungry Tigers roar back

Rogers extends scoreless innings streak to 24 1/3

TIGERS 3 CARDINALS 1

Now you see it. Now you don't. Whatever was on Kenny Rogers' hand, even after he cleaned it off, the St. Louis Cardinals couldn't hit him.

Virtually untouchable this October, Rogers shut down the Cardinals on two hits over eight shutout innings, leading the Detroit Tigers to a 3-1 victory on a chilly night that tied the World Series at one game apiece.

But the real substance of the matter was this: What was on the left-hander's pitching hand that caused a first-inning flap? It appeared to be something dirty or dark, and umpires brought Cardinals manager Tony La Russa out to the field at the end of the first for a brief discussion. In the middle of the second, Detroit manager Jim Leyland talked to three umps near the third-base line. Whatever was on the Tiger pitcher's paw, it was gone when he came out for the second.

Rogers extended his scoreless streak to 23 post-season innings this year and 24 1/3 post-season innings overall, a streak that began in 2003 with Minnesota. It is the longest streak since Curt Schilling tossed 25innings in 1993 and 2001. ASSOCIATED PRESS



Tigers starting pitcher Kenny Rogers reacts after striking out St. Louis Cardinals batter Juan Encarnacion last night in Game 2 of the World Series in Detroit.

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Fed-up Flyers fire coach as GM resigns

1-6-1 team sits in last place in NHL

Bob Clarke was burnt out. Ken Hitchcock was tuned out.

Now both are out of jobs, part of a dramatic breakup yesterday designed to jolt the NHL-worst Philadelphia Flyers out of the cellar and end their worst start in 17 years.



Clarke

Clarke resigned in his second stint as general manager, unable to match the Stanley Cups he won with the team as a player in the 1970s. Hitchcock was fired more than a month after signing an extension, but with the Flyers 1-6-1 and with the fewest points in the NHL.

Assistant John Stevens was appointed head coach and Paul Holmgren was promoted from assistant general manager to interim general manager.

Soccer team looks to get past controversy

Trio of women threaten lawsuit over being cut

Members of the women's national soccer team say they want to put a controversy involving three suspended players behind them.

But, as the team prepared to leave today for the inaugural Peace Queen Cup tournament in South Korea, the players were not sure they would welcome their former teammates back.

"They let our team down," said Christine Sinclair, the

Burnaby, B.C., native named national team captain to replace veteran Charmaine Hooper.

"They wanted to do what they wanted to do and we've moved on. We don't expect them to be back and we're playing like they're not going to be back. We're going with the team we have."

Her thoughts were echoed by goalkeeper Erin McLeod.

"It's been challenging for our team," said McLeod, of Calgary. "Those three players

have had a huge impact on this program. Since the loss of them we've been fortunate enough to come together as a team and move past it and become stronger for it."

In a dispute that has turned ugly and at times personal, Hooper, defender Sharolta Nonen and forward Christine Latham have threatened a lawsuit over being cut from the national team.

The Canadian Soccer Association says the three were suspended for failing to play in a pair of exhibition games

against China in August.

The players maintain they are being punished for not committing soon enough to a residency program, funded by Greg Kerfoot, the millionaire owner of the Vancouver Whitecaps. The residency program would see national team players living in Vancouver through next summer's World Cup and possibly the 2008 Olympics.

The three players claim the program pressures women to play for the Whitecaps women's team, a charge the Canadian Soccer Association denies. CANADIAN PRESS



Hooper

Alonso retains title, Schumi bids adieu

MOTORSPORTS Fernando Alonso became a Formula One champion again on a day when Michael Schumacher retired to end one of the great careers in sports.

Alonso won his second straight title with a runner-up finish to Felipe Massa at the Brazilian Grand Prix yesterday. Schumacher, a seven-time F1 champ, needed to win his farewell race to keep alive his remote chance of another title. But the German punctured a tire less than 10 laps into the race and finished fourth. ASSOCIATED PRESS

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MARIA SHARAPOVA, right, became the first Russian to win the Zurich Open, beating Daniela Hantuchova 6-1, 4-6, 6-3 yesterday in the final.

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WORLD NO. 1 Roger Federer became the first player in the Open era to win 10 titles in three straight years yesterday at the Madrid Masters with a 7-5, 6-1, 6-0 victory over Fernando Gonzalez.

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Bucs' bomb grounds Eagles

62-yard field goal dashes Philly's comeback bid

Matt Bryant nailed a 62-yard field goal — the third-longest in NFL history — to give the Tampa Bay Buccaneers an improbable 23-21 last-second victory over Donovan McNabb and the Philadelphia Eagles yesterday in NFL action.

The kick ruined a gallant comeback engineered by McNabb after the Bucs built a 17-0 lead, mostly on the strength two interceptions that Ronde Barber returned for touchdowns.

In other NFL games: **Kansas City 30, San Diego 27** — Lawrence Tynes hit a career-long 53-yard field goal with six seconds left, atoning for a first-quarter miss and getting the win for the Chiefs. **Houston 27, Jacksonville 7** — The Texans' beleaguered defence dominated and rookie running back Wali Lundy had 93 yards rushing and a TD in an upset victory



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Philadelphia Eagles' Jerome McDougle, right, grabs Buccaneers quarterback Bruce Gradkowski by the facemask yesterday in Tampa, Fla. The Bucs defeated the Eagles 23-21.

over the Jaguars. **Green Bay 34, Miami 24** — Ranked last in the NFL in pass defence, Green Bay intercepted Joey Harrington three times to beat woeful Miami. **Cincinnati 17, Carolina 14** — Carson Palmer led a fourth-quarter drive that culminated in his one-yard throw to T.J. Houshmandzadeh that lifted the Bengals past the Panthers.

Denver 17, Cleveland 7 — The NFL's stingiest defence held its fifth straight opponent to single digits and Jake Plummer did just enough to with Denver's offence to earn the win. **Indianapolis 36, Washington 22** — After being tackled awkwardly twice in the first half, Peyton Manning responded with three third-quarter TD passes to lead In-

dianapolis to victory. **Minnesota 31, Seattle 13** — Chester Taylor ran for a career-high 169 yards on 26 carries as Minnesota stunned Seattle and ended the Seahawks franchise-record 12-game home winning streak. **Oakland 22, Arizona 9** — Andrew Walter threw a 32-yard TD pass to Randy Moss, ReShard Lee ran for a one-yard score in the first quarter and the Raiders overcame five turnovers to win their first game of the season.

N.Y. Jets 31, Detroit 24 — Leon Washington rushed for 129 yards on 20 carries and scored the first two TDs of his career, and the Jets held on to beat the Lions.

New England 28, Buffalo 6 — Corey Dillon's two TDs rushing in the first half gave the Patriots an early lead, and they went on to rout the Bills. **Atlanta 41 Pittsburgh 38 (OT)** — Morten Andersen, booted a 32-yard field goal seven minutes into OT to give the Falcons the win.

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When you can flawlessly conduct an orchestra of salt and pepper shakers, you're making progress.

Vancouver Philharmonic Orchestra assistant conductor Risa McDonell grins when she describes waving her baton at the silent stands but she's serious. It's a way to learn new pieces from her Victoria mentor, Hungarian conductor Janos Sandor.

"He films me and we go over it and I cry," she says with a laugh. "The movements are hard to learn. Some standard patterns are fairly simple but you have to add a lot of finesse to these to get the sound that you want (from a live orchestra)."

Now in her second year of a two-year internship with the Vancouver Philharmonic, McDonell has already amassed valuable experience getting that sound.



Vancouver Philharmonic assistant conductor Risa McDonell says she enjoys guiding people to create great music.

She conducts a piece during each of the orchestra's five annual concerts as well as teaches concert band and

jazz band at North Van's Windsor Secondary. She also plays flute for the West Coast Symphony.

It's a busy life for the 29-year-old Vancouver resident, but the hard work feeds her passion for music and con-

ducting — a goal she's had since she joined the La Jeunesse Girls' Choir at age 13 in Ontario.

"(The two conductors) just directed with so much grace and charm and never raised their voices at the choir, even though there were definitely times when we deserved it," she says. "I thought, 'I would love to do this, love to guide people to create great music.'"

Is it at all like an actor saying what she really wants is to direct?

"It's the same thing for sure but I'd like to think it's not coming from an egotistical place ... my teacher (Sandor) talks about radiance from the podium — you have to get cues from the musicians and radiate energy back to them."

McDonell, who has a bachelor of music from the University of Victoria (2002) and a B.C. Teachers Certificate (2003), says she finds conducting "humbling" as there is

much to know and mistakes are part of the process. She plans to launch a youth orchestra in the next few years.

"The most challenging thing about the job is just the psychology of it, obviously getting prepared and

knowing the score, but you're asking 100 people or more to do something your way."

Is her age or gender ever an issue?

"Ask me again in 20 years when I've had more experience and can really call myself a conductor."

"The most challenging thing about the job is just the psychology of it ... you're asking 100 people or more to do something your way."

RISA MCDONELL,
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Most women would rather trade places with Katie Couric for a week than with Julia Roberts, according to a recent poll from Ladies' Home Journal.

Given the choice of trying out any high-profile job, 15 per cent of women said they'd choose to be a TV news anchor job for a week — the most common profession chosen. Women over 65 years old were more likely to choose this job than their younger counterparts.

Movie star ranked as the second-most popular career with 13 per cent. Just over one in 10 would like to run the country, while six per cent would like Paula Abdul's job as a judge on American Idol. At the office, women are mostly satisfied with their real jobs. Nearly one-third said they love their jobs even though the money isn't great, and 28 per cent said they like every aspect of their jobs.

Ladies' Home Journal polled 529 women ages 18 and up in June. The full survey results appear in the November issue. ASSOCIATED PRESS

Pupils fit into fashion industry

Annual show highlights students' designs

Carnival costumes, fetish-wear, and bridal gowns don't have much in common.

However, these and other styles will be united Oct. 26 during Vancouver Community College's (VCC's) 19th annual Fiat Mode XIX fashion show at Granville Island's Performance Works. Grad collections range from Melissa McMahon's earthy fabrics to Cabiri Calisto's Brazilian-influenced party wear.

Calisto, who recently won Apparel B.C.'s student illustration competition, grew up watching her mother create hand-embroidered clothing. After graduating high school, she enrolled in VCC's continuing studies Fashion Arts certificate program after a visit to the school.

"As soon as I walked in the door, I thought 'this is it,'" she said. "It looked like a place where people actually worked."

Calisto's impression fit the school's mix of theory, personal expression and technical skills. Program co-ordinator Evelyn May said the graduation show demonstrates the program's breadth — from conceptual design to finished garments.

"We encourage individual pursuits and creativity," said May. "We also ...



Cabiri Calisto shows off one of the pieces she designed for VCC's Fashion Arts graduation show, Let There Be Fashion.

(teach) the technical skills that allow for success in the industry."

Graduate Ben Newcombe, who currently works at Ocean Drive Leather, said he wanted to design clothes he wanted to wear, but couldn't find. Building on childhood memories, his orchestral-influenced pieces include an overcoat shaped

like the s-curve of a cello.

"The collection is reflective of growing up with dance and music," he said.

Students also enjoyed the program's flexible schedule. McMahon, whose dreamlike pieces use 'eco-fabrics' like hand-dyed bamboo and hemp and flip traditional menswear

upside down and sideways, now works at yoga clothing company Lotuswear. After studying commerce at university, she enrolled in the part-time, two-year program while working as a retail manager. Eventually, she switched to the one-year intensive program.

"I decided I wanted to do something that was not just a job, but something I enjoyed doing for a living," she said.

All the students said the one aspect uniting Vancouver's fashion scene is variety. Debra Walker, executive director of B.C. Fashion Week, agreed. She noted the city's proximity to Asia and the Western U.S. and the population's active lifestyle as inspirations feeding local apparel companies — more than 300 in the Lower Mainland, according to VCC.

"We've definitely seen significant strides in (the fashion industry during) the last few years," she said. "The sheer number of designers is a credit to the industry here."

Still, grads said Vancouver's relatively small size and the fledgling nature of the industry means it takes hard work to break in, even as it grows.

"It's a competitive industry," said McMahon. "You have to be willing to do anything to start out ... and then it's up to you to prove yourself."

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Illness doesn't keep employees from work

Instead of chicken soup and lots of bed rest, most employees come to work when they're feeling under the weather, one recent survey shows.

A whopping 98 per cent of employees admitted going to work when they were sick, according to a poll from Kronos Inc., a workforce management company.

Two out of five said they did so out of guilt and 39 per

cent said their workload was too heavy to miss a day of work.

While these tough employees may impress the boss, their co-workers aren't happy to see them in the office with a fever.

Thirty-eight per cent of employees are afraid of getting sick when ill colleagues come to work, and another 35 per cent blame their employers for not encouraging

sick staffers to stay home.

Two-thirds wish the company would create a work environment where calling in sick isn't penalized.

Two out of five want employers to offer onsite flu shots and another quarter would prefer an onsite health care clinic.

Kronos polled 1,120 employed adults ages 18 and over in September.

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Job seeker takes page of inspiration from comic book

By MICHELLE NOVIELLI
for Metro Vancouver

Khalid Mokhtarzada knows what it takes to get noticed by employers — four months of dedication, constant creativity, and a passion for success.

While studying business economics in university, Mokhtarzada, now 26, continued to pursue his artistic interests on the side. But after dropping out of school and working full-time for a collections agency, he knew he would be much happier working in the Internet marketing or web design industry.

But with little work experience and design know-how, Mokhtarzada said he had a lot of learning to do before he could get his foot in the industry's door. So after spending four months studying Flash and audio, Mokhtarzada created an interactive online resumé.

"If you're in the marketing field, you need ideas and a typical resumé doesn't say much about how creative you can be," he said. But the challenge was to get prospective employers online to read his new resumé. So Mokhtarzada took a page of inspiration from a comic book.

"If an employer is not hiring, they won't even look at your cover letter," he said. "I needed to get noticed, so I decided to go all out and made a comic strip."

When Mokhtarzada mailed personalized, full-colour comics to about 30 employers, he received immediate responses and positive feedback. After an interview with an Internet marketing firm, Mokhtarzada's months of creative labour paid off and he



Graphic cover letters and resumé stand out in a crowd, believes Khalid Mokhtarzada, below. His comic-inspired cover letter helped land him the job he always wanted.

was immediately hired.

Heather Babcock has seen many different types of resúmes and cover letters. As a student-employment co-ordinator, Babcock said creative resúmes and cover letters are a sure way to demonstrate creativity.

But Babcock warns against some forms of creative humour.

"I've seen some that have tried to be funny, but you have to be careful with this," she

said. "You want to show your creative side without looking juvenile."

Babcock also advises having two forms of your resumé and cover letter — one creative version for mail and in-person deliveries, and one professional one for faxing.

Looking back, Mokhtarzada said the journey to his dream job was stressful, but successful.

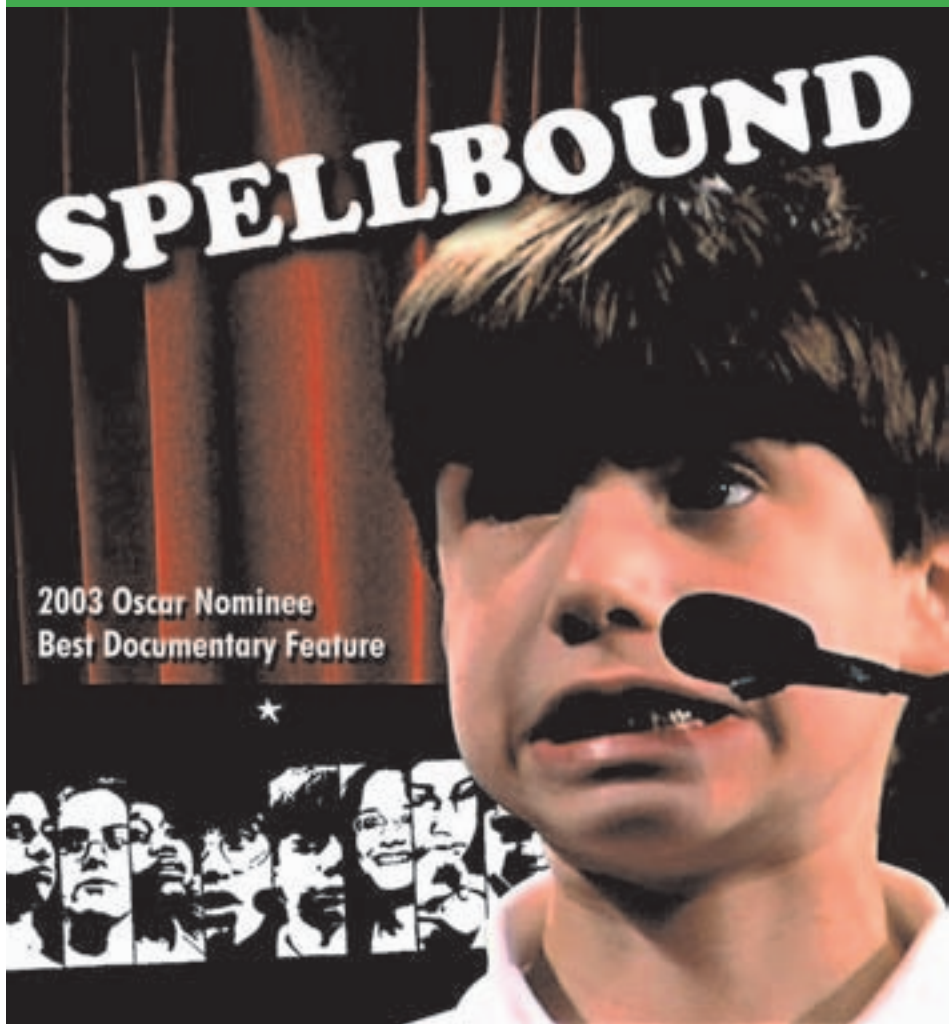
"It was pretty crazy and I thought I was losing my mind," he said. "But it worked out well, and my current job is everything I've always wanted."

To check out Mokhtarzada's comic cover letter and resumé, visit his website at www.the-k-report.com.

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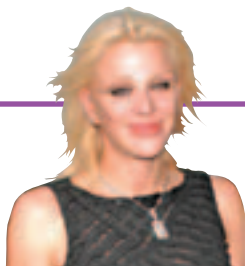
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COURTNEY LOVE, left, who has apparently been sober for more than a year, has told *Billboard* she is working on a comeback album with producer Linda Perry. SOURCE: E! News Online

'Freedom has a price'

Five For Fighting's Ondrasik talks to Metro about war and the NHL

By IAN NATHANSON
for Metro Vancouver

John Ondrasik named his band after a major penalty in NHL — which tells you how much of hockey fan the heart and soul of Five For Fighting is. And apparently he's a seasoned sports writer to boot. Having previously been published in *Sporting News*, *Inside Hockey* and *Sports Illustrated's* website, he now gets to contribute a once-a-month hockey column to *SI.com* throughout the 2006-07 NHL season.

In his Sept. 22 debut column, the California native responsible for the plaintive piano ballad *Superman* (It's Not Easy) opines on Marty McSorley, Bob Probert and even retired Maple Leaf Tie Domi's glory goon days and how NHL punchups have been declining in recent years.

But Ondrasik also raises another conundrum about the sport — trying

to explain to his five-year-old son why fighting is bad in all other contexts except in hockey. One wonders if that was partly an inspiration behind his father-son conversation piece *The Riddle*, the lead-off single from Five For Fighting's third disc *Two Lights*.

"That's a good illustration, I never really thought about it in that way," Ondrasik says. "When your kid asks you a question about the hockey fight, you look at the fight differently than you would as, say, a passionate Marty McSorley fan. It changes how you look at the world."

The father-son motif also shows up on *Two Lights'* title track, but in a context related more to the war on Iraq. The song came to Ondrasik following a dinner with a young U.S. soldier bound for Iraq and a soldier's father, a Vietnam veteran.

"Every day you wake up and learn you've lost three guys," Ondrasik says. "It's this daily depression of knowing these guys are gone and it breaks your heart. Freedom has a price."

Not that Ondrasik's necessarily espousing any political or flag-waving



Five For Fighting — better known to close associates as John Ondrasik — performs on Nov. 10 at Richard's On Richards.

agenda — for this father of two, he's more interested in crafting songs about real-life loves, losses, family and personal circumstances. And since forming Five For Fighting in 1997, hard work on that craft paid off with hits *100 Years* and *Superman*.

The latter, in particular, has become something of a post-9/11 anthem in the U.S. due to Ondrasik's performance of the song at the 2001

Concert For New York. The event moved many a firefighter and New York City cop. And Ondrasik, too — he got to perform the song alongside many of his superheroes in music.

"I played with every living influence that night," he says, specifically citing Elton John, Paul McCartney, The Who, Billy Joel and James Taylor. "There was my whole musical upbringing happening right in front of me."

Ford fit and ready for next Jones film

MOVIES Harrison Ford says he feels "fit to continue" to play Indiana Jones, despite growing older. "We did three films that stay within the same block of time. We need to move on for artistic reasons and obvious physical reasons," Ford, 64, said Friday. "I feel fit to continue and bring the same physical action."



Ford

Evans was having affair: Husband

PEOPLE The husband of country singer Sara Evans says she filed for divorce the day after he discovered she was having an affair.

Craig Schelske did not identify the other man in court documents filed Friday in Williamson County Chancery Court. Schelske denies Evans' allegations that he committed adultery, was verbally and emotionally abusive, drank excessively and frequently watched pornography.

Evans' publicist declined to comment. ASSOCIATED PRESS

box office

- Estimated ticket sales for Friday through Sunday at U.S. and Canadian theatres, according to Exhibitor Relations:
 1. *The Prestige*, \$14.8 million US
 2. *The Departed*, \$13.7 million
 3. *Flags of Our Fathers*, \$10.2 million
 4. *Open Season*, \$8 million
 - 5 (tie). *Flicka*, \$7.7 million
 - 5 (tie). *The Grudge 2*, \$7.7 million
 7. *Man Of The Year*, \$7 million
 8. *Marie Antoinette*, \$5.3 million
 9. *The Texas Chainsaw Massacre: The Beginning*, \$3.9 million
 10. *The Marine*, \$3.7 million

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The Tragically Hip's latest CD *World Container* is in stores.

The Hip pairs hockey, calypso beat on latest effort

An odd thing happens when you pair Canadian rock icons the Tragically Hip with legendary Canadian record producer Bob Rock. The result: hockey to a calypso beat.

Hip frontman Gord Downie says the band's collaboration with the man behind such huge '80s rock albums as Mötley Crüe's *Dr. Feelgood* and Bon Jovi's *Slippery When Wet* drew out some unexpected experiments when all gathered in the stu-

dio to record the new album *World Container*.

"Any conversation about how the record was made has to start with Bob and probably end with Bob," Downie says by phone during a recent stop in Winnipeg to promote the album, released last week.

"He suggests anywhere from 100 to 300 to 500 (takes), I don't know, it just seemed endless, and everything was prefaced with,

'This might sound crazy' or 'Call me insane, but ...' and he would want to hear something, he would want to hear it go in this direction."

Directions such as calypso-tinged guitar upstrokes for the hockey song *The Lonely End Of The Rink*. The track evokes snow-covered roads and frozen lakes with a chugging, island-inspired guitar rhythm, and it works.

But acknowledging those musical inclinations were a

part of the five-man rock band — including guitarists Paul Langlois and Rob Baker, bassist Gord Sinclair and drummer Johnny Fay — was a new thing.

"I think (for the new album) we willingly surrendered to that idea of fun in the studio and having fun and not being afraid to show your influences ... as opposed to that dogged pursuit of your own sound," Downie says. CANADIAN PRESS

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CBS HAS ordered a full season of the freshman legal drama *Shark*. Star James Woods has said that this is one of the best projects he's ever worked on.

SOURCE: E! News Online



“IT WAS getting too serious. We started fighting. There was too much bickering.”

— Brody Jenner explains his split from Nicole Richie, left
SOURCE: Ananova.com

KELLY PRESTON and Michelle Trachtenberg are set to play mother and daughter in *The Possibility Of Fireflies*, Dominique Paul's adaptation of her novel. Cameras roll in January in South Carolina.

SOURCE: E! News Online

DVD extras

by Rick McGinnis

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The Exorcist: The Complete Anthology

(Warner Bros. DVD box set)

All of the *Exorcist* sequels, and two versions of William Friedkin's original film, are included in this box set, but the real bonus is the one thing the film demanded — a feature documentary on the production of the film.

We get to hear how the bed levitated, and how Linda Blair vomited pea soup and rotated her head backwards.

The Break-Up

(Universal DVD)

The best of the full menu of bonus features included in this — for those of you who can't wait to listen to Vince Vaughn and Jennifer Aniston's commentary track (tacky) — is a series of outtakes devoted to an improv scene between Vaughn and *Swingers* co-star Jon Favreau. One of the funniest scenes in the film is basically created from whole cloth, live with two cameras — if only the rest of the film were as comic.

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Over The Hedge

(Dreamworks DVD)

Including a bonus cartoon with a feature animation has become obligatory these days — once again, Pixar made the rules, and everyone else follows. Hammy's Boomerang Adventure is fast and funny, but it makes you wish the studios would allow their talented animators to knock out a short or two every couple of months, just to keep themselves loose and inspired.

Comics pay tribute to spooky season

So when you knock on strangers' doors and ask for candy you're greeted with pepper spray, your friends call you names when you put on your retro Adam West Batman costume and you've come to the realization that bobbing for apples in the communal bucket may be the single sickest activity humans can participate in?

Don't let that diminish your Halloween spirit.

Just in time for the most ghoulish of holidays come a pile of creepy comics to remind you the true meaning of Halloween: Scaring the heck out of yourself.

Goosebumps Graphix Vol. 1: Creepy Creatures

Authors R.L. Stine, Gabriel Hernandez, Greg Ruth, Scott Morse •

Publisher Graphix/Scholastic •

Price \$11.99/\$8.99 US (Paperback) •

★★★★★

R.L. STINE'S Goosebumps

tales have sent chills up children's spines for years, but now, with the help of comic-book illustrators Gabriel Hernandez, Greg Ruth and Scott Morse, they get a new chance to spook you out. This collection offers three devilishly good tales: *The Werewolf Of Fever Swamp*, *The Scarecrow Walks At Midnight* and *The Abominable Snowman Of Pasadena*.

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JOHN CONSTANTINE lives in the darkest, bleakest, nastiest corner of the DC Comics Universe. So does it

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come as any surprise that he doesn't want his memories back after a run-in with the dark forces leaves him with amnesia?

Serial killers, demonic possession and an appearance by the Lord of Hell himself all make this *Hellblazer* tale pretty darned creepy, but the really unsettling part? — John Constantine: Daddy?!

Zombie

Authors Miles Gunter, Victor Santos •

Publisher Image Comics •

Price \$12.99 US (Paperback) •

★★★★★

A SAMURAI, a ninja and a

Zen Monk walk into a zombie-filled brothel ...

Sounds like the opening line to an interesting joke, but this gory combination is the premise for *Zombie*, a fun "Night Of The Living Dead Meets The Seven Samurai" kind of thing from the twisted minds of Miles Gunter and Victor Santos.

Batman And The Monster Men

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SOMETHING nasty is turning up in Gotham City — body parts with bite marks in them. This quaint retro tale sees a young and de-

visedly less Dark Knight trying to figure out what kind of monster(s) could be doing this to people, while precariously balancing something even scarier — hiding his life as a vigilante from his girlfriend.



The Wicked West II: Abomination & Other Tales

Author Todd Livingston, Robert Tinnell, Neil Vokes •

Publisher Image Comics •

Price \$15.99 US (Paperback) •

★★★★★

VAMPIRES, zombies, ghosts, monsters and more: It's all par for the course in *The Wicked West*. Cotton Coleridge is out for revenge on 13 men who wronged him and he's not going to let any of the numerous things that go bump in the Wild West night stop him from finding them.

Queen moving, despite protagonist

The Queen

Stars Helen Mirren

Director Stephen Frears

★★★★★

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By NORMAN WILNER
for Metro Vancouver

THE QUEEN is a very odd little movie, and a very good one.

It's passingly comic, but it's not exactly a satire. It's dramatic, even though we already know the story. And it's even a little moving, despite its central character being almost as closed and unsympathetic a protagonist as one can imagine.

With a minimum of fuss, Stephen Frears' film convincingly re-creates the England of 1997, when the new Prime Minister Tony Blair and his monarch, Elizabeth II, weathered an



Helen Mirren portrays monarch Elizabeth II in *The Queen*.

unprecedented public mourning for the late Princess Diana, killed in a Paris car crash.

In the wake of Diana's death, we are told, the Queen decreed the Princess' funeral should be a private affair, to be handled by her family, the Spencers — a gesture that may have seemed principled to Her Majesty, but

rang horribly false to the British people, who believed that the monarch's reserve was indicative of a clueless, insulated figurehead, rather than a grandmother's instinct to shield her bereaved grandchildren from further trauma.

Peter Morgan's script focuses on the fallout from Diana's death, when Blair became the public face of

England's grief even as he worked feverishly to save the monarchy from a death-spiral of bad press. Positioning Michael Sheen's intimidated prime minister against Helen Mirren's supremely confident — and supremely closed — monarch, Morgan infuses every stuffy political exchange with an undercurrent of bruised humanity.

Yes, there's some artistic license taken: A subplot built around Elizabeth's encounter with a magnificent stag in the hills of the Royals' Balmoral retreat feels far too good to be true. But it works on dramatic terms, illuminating a side of the Queen that she'd never show to another person — even, we infer, to her own family. But she does well enough by her dogs.

Pacino to receive achievement prize

KUDOS Al Pacino can add another acting accolade to his collection.

The 66-year-old actor will receive the American Film Institute's highest honour, the AFI Lifetime Achievement Award, it has been announced.

Sir Howard Stringer, chairman of the AFI board of trustees, called Pacino "an icon of American film."

"His career inspires audiences and artists alike," Stringer said.

The 35th AFI Lifetime Achievement Award will be presented to Pacino at a tribute dinner in Los Angeles on June 7.

Past recipients of the honour include Sean Connery, Martin Scorsese, Steven Spielberg and Elizabeth Taylor.

Pacino was honoured with a Lifetime Achievement Award in 1996 by the Independent Feature Project.

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'My life is better and my kids are smarter'

Gene Simmons opens up about his reality show

CHATTING WITH THE DEMON: Gene Simmons, KISS bassist, entrepreneur, spokesman for amiable infidelity and reality TV star, called me bright and early the other day. I was frankly surprised, and told him so — punctuality isn't what anyone expects from a man who plays in a band for a living, never mind someone who made spitting blood and breathing fire more of a trademark than any solo or song. "That's because the people that inhabit the rock stardom world are insane," he tells me. "Self-destructive,

not qualified to do anything besides ask the next person in line, 'Would you like fries with that, sir?' Rock stars and rock stardom are not the home of deep thinking. On the other hand, that doesn't concern me. ... Life is a gift, and if you have the balls, the tenacity to ruin God's work, you should get everything you deserve, which is to go straight to hell. If you numb yourself with drugs, you should get the repercussions of that — become a drug addict, become a loser, and eventually lose your life."

Like Ted Nugent, Simmons has joined the reality TV industry with A&E's Gene Simmons' Family Jew-

els. What sounds on the surface like an Osbournes retreat has one crucial difference: Simmons' family — his longtime girlfriend, Newfoundland native and Playboy playmate Shannon Tweed, their two kids Nick, 17, and Sophie, 14 — is normal and well-adjusted.

"They're both honour students," Gene brags about his kids, unmistakable pride in his voice, "coveted by the A-list schools. Both charming, they don't curse. Just great young people."

This unexpected twist makes it initially disarming, but what makes it so watchable is Gene's willingness to make himself the butt of the jokes, the blustering but self-contented dad whose (common-law) wife and kids are one step ahead of him. It rewinds past 40 years of TV to the era of shows like Father Knows Best, albeit with leather

pants, Vegas adult film conventions, and legions of fans that range from trashy young women begging for autographed cleavage to graying suburbanites with houses full of KISS memorabilia. Gene's reality series might be the most moral primetime show on the air.

At the end of a short but quote-packed interview, Gene insists he never intended to make a reality show. "I saw it more as an infomercial, as an opportunity to shill for the different things I'm doing. If I took out TV ads, that would cost me a fortune — better just to seductively and virally tell people what I'm doing ... and in return, you get to crawl into my house and see that my life is better than yours, and that my kids are smarter and more well-behaved than yours."

Gene Simmons Family Jewels airs tonight on A&E.

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291	383	27 (PBS)	Rick Steves' Europe	Antiques	Antiques Roadshow		American Experience	Brave New Home...		Are You Being...	
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600	564	29 (H&G)	Designer Guys	Takeover...	Makeover Wish	My First Place	Home to Stay	reDesign	Designer Guys	Takeover...	
400	400	30 (TSN)	NFL: New York Giants	at Dallas	Sportscentre		NFL Films Presents	NFL PrimeTime		Sportscentre	
615	520	31 (A&E)	Gene Simmons...	Gene Simmons...	CSI: Miami		CSI: Miami	CSI: Miami		Gene Simmons...	
628	584	32 (SPKE)	Disorderly Conduct: Video	on Patrol	The Ultimate Fighter		CSI: Crime Scene Investigation	MXC	Blind Date	The Ultimate	
500	500	33 (CNN)	Anderson Cooper 360°				Larry King Live	Anderson Cooper 360°			
521	560	34 (TLC)	Miami Ink		Little People/World	Little People/World	Miami Ink	Shalom/Home...		Conjoined Twins...	
575	583	35 (CMT)	Plucked	Road Hammers	Joe Nichols Central Live		Roseanne	Reba	Married/Children	Plucked	
616	522	36 (SHO)	Da Vinci's Inquest		Cold Squad		ReGenesis	Dead Like Me		CSI	
620	523	40 (BVO)	When Moses Woke		Law & Order		Without a Trace	Movie: Small Town Girl			
601	562	41 (LIF)	Project Runway		Making It Big		Extra	Matchmaker		Making It Big	
520	505	42 (DIS)	Canada's Worst Driver		Daily Planet		Deadliest Catch	Extreme Makeover	Canada's Worst Driver	MythBusters	
	364	43 (PBS)	Lustron/House...		Are You Being...	Keeping Up...	Tavis Smiley	Charlie Rose		Antiques Roadshow	
522	506	44 (HIS)	Tour of Duty		Modem Marvels		Deadwood	Deadwood			
627	528	45 (SPC)	The 4400		FX: The Series		Star Trek: Enterprise	Alias		Movie: Saint Sinner	
294	650	47 (TBS)	Family Guy	Family Guy	Comedy Festival Special: Pit Stop		Movie: Lost & Found				
		48 (TROP)	Ad Persuasion	Inside the Box	Seinfeld	Seinfeld	Ellen	Grace Under Fire	Frasier	Married/Children	
411	457	49 (OLN)	Pilot Guides		Don't Forget Your Passport		Untamed North America	Hooked/Mark Krupa	Dangerous Places	Pilot Guides	
554	545	60 (TEL)	The Batman	Kappa Mikey	Futurama	Hey Joel	Family Guy	Futurama	Robot Chicken	The Venture Bros.	
557	541	61 (FAM)	That's So Raven	Smart Guy	8 Simple Rules	Life With Derek	The Sinbad Show	Life With Bonnie	Popular	8 Simple Rules	
603	561	62 (FN)	Nigella Feasts	Return to Tuscany	Restaurant Makeover		Easy Entertaining	This Food, That	Family Restaurant	I Do Let's Eat!	
416	409	63 (GLF)	Golf Channel	Playing Lessons From the Pros		Golf Central	Learning Center	Golf Channel	Academy Live		
410	403	64 (SCR)	Raw		The Score Tonight		Raw			The Score	
417	406	65 (SC)	Movie: Used Cars			Payback	Unique Whips		Inside Nextel Cup	7 Days	
553	546	66 (TRE)	Timothy/School	This Is Daniel Cook	Franklin	Toopy & Binoo	Ants in Your Pants	Crazy Quilt	Wee 3	The Bittles	
625	547	67 (COM)	Air Farce	You Bet Your Ass	Just for Laughs	Jeff Ltd.	The Simpsons	Celebrity	Dog Bites Man	Team Sanchez	
320	621	60 (CEN)	Sleeper Cell		Dexter		Masters of Horror		Movie: Angel of Death		
296	654	64 (SBK)	Frasier	Frasier	South Park	South Park	Ent. Tonight	The Insider		Becker	
298	653	65 (TLA)	Raymond	Raymond	...Hates Chris	All of Us	Girlfriends	The Game		Sex and the City	
295	651	66 (WGN)	News		Sex and the City		Scrubs	Becker		America's Funniest Home Videos	
297	652	67 (WPX)	News		Sex and the City	Friends	Will & Grace	Frasier	According to Jim	South Park	
650	394	70 (V)	Wonderfalls		360 Vision	The Lost Gods	Everwood		Wonderfalls	7th Heaven	
621	527	73 (STR)	Tonight Show With Jay Leno		Star! Daily	E! News	Celebrity Poker			E! News	

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7 P.M. Totally Board Mondays (SK8/snow/surf industry night) with in-bar mini ramp. At the Buffalo Club, 1161 Granville St. Info: 604-688-7803.

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'I was misled': adopted boy's father

A Malawian man who gave up his 13-month-old son to be adopted by Madonna said yesterday he had not realized he was signing away custody "for good."

Yohane Banda signed adoption papers earlier this month, clearing the way for a Malawian judge to grant the pop singer and her husband a temporary order to take his son David.

"Our understanding was that they would educate and take care of our son just as they were doing at the orphanage," the 32-year-old illiterate peasant farmer told the Associated Press in a telephone interview from Li-

punga. Until now, Banda has said his decision was in the best interests of his motherless son and criticized local charities who have started legal proceedings to challenge the adoption.

Banda said his understanding was that "when David grows up he will return back home to his village."

He said the director of Child Welfare Services, Penston Kilembe, and the retired pastor who heads the orphanage never told him by "adoption" it meant David would cease to be his son. "If we were told that she wants to take the baby as her own we could not have consented

because I see no reason why I should give away my son," he said.

Banda said he was illiterate and so had no idea of the significance of the adoption papers he signed. However, Banda insisted he did not want David to return to the orphanage. "We are still thankful Madonna has rescued him from poverty and disease; we pray for the good Lord to keep blessing her for her benevolence," Banda said.

Kilembe refused to comment yesterday as did Madonna's Malawian lawyer.

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Anna Nicole refuses test

An attorney for Anna Nicole Smith said Friday the reality TV star has no intention of submitting her six-week-old daughter for paternity testing as demanded by an ex-boyfriend. "Why should she accommodate (photographer Larry Birkhead) at all?" asked attorney Wayne Munroe.



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George smokes up on TV

George Michael praised marijuana and apparently smoked a joint during a recently taped British television interview, prompting criticism from anti-drug campaigners Friday. "This stuff keeps me sane and happy," Michael, 43, said on The South Bank Show.



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Etheridge, partner have twins

U.S. singer Melissa Etheridge and her partner Tammy Lynn Michaels have become parents to twins, BBC News Online reports. A boy and a girl were born to Michaels and are in "excellent health," the singer wrote on her website.

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Urban checks into rehab

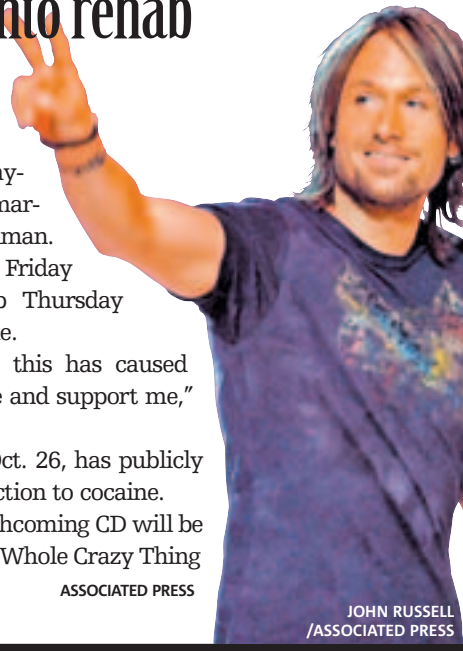
Keith Urban has checked himself into a rehabilitation treatment centre, less than four months after the Grammy-winning country singer's marriage to actress Nicole Kidman. Urban released a statement Friday that said he entered rehab Thursday night with his wife by his side.

"I deeply regret the hurt this has caused Nicole and the ones that love and support me," Urban said in the statement.

Urban, who turns 39 on Oct. 26, has publicly acknowledged a former addiction to cocaine.

All appearances for his forthcoming CD will be postponed. Love, Pain, & The Whole Crazy Thing was set for release Nov. 7.

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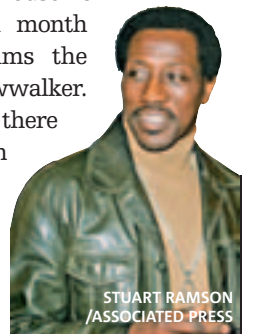


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Snipes in Namibia: Show

When Wesley Snipes was indicted on eight counts of tax fraud last week, U.S. Attorney Paul Perez said the actor had not been arrested because authorities did not know where he was. But the TV show Inside Edition found him in Namibia, where he is renting a house for \$6,000 US a month while he films the movie Gallowalker. He has been there for seven weeks, the show reported.

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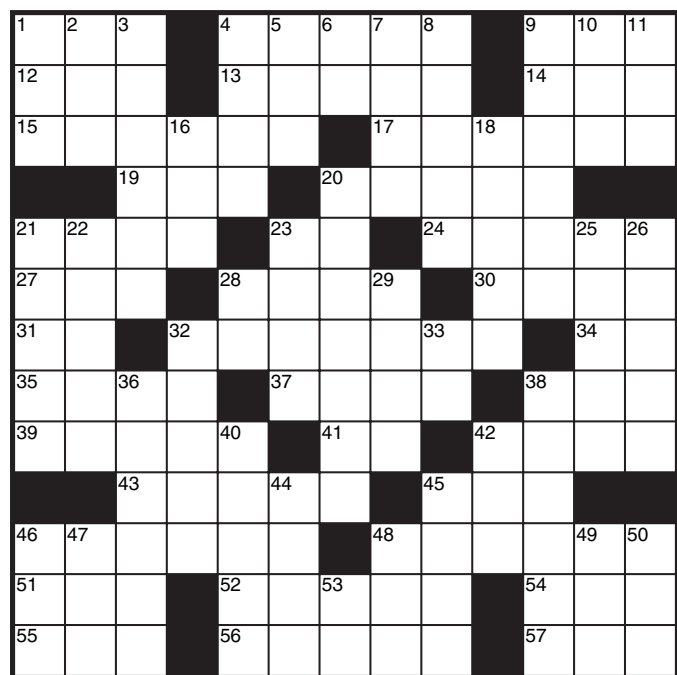
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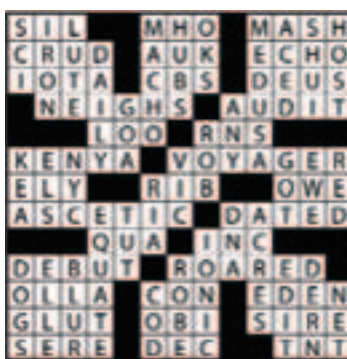
DOWN

- 1 Prospect for gold
- 2 Baseball stat
- 3 Scatterbrain
- 4 Bread and cheese
- 5 Buy
- 6 Auto racer — Unser
- 7 Nothing but
- 8 Crush grapes
- 9 Elegant
- 10 New prefix
- 11 Bodybuilder's pride
- 16 Fleming of spy-dom
- 18 Movers and shakers
- 20 It's prehistoric
- 21 Less rosy
- 22 Mac maker
- 23 Wheel parts
- 25 Savalas of Kojak
- 26 Port near Kyoto
- 28 Roast beef — jus
- 29 Connery of Dr. No
- 32 Rattletraps
- 33 Freight carrier
- 36 Spain and Portugal
- 38 Plenty
- 40 Helipad sites
- 42 Diminish
- 44 Shuttle complement
- 45 Door latch
- 46 Okla. time
- 47 Luau strings
- 48 Eur. airline
- 49 Mauna —
- 50 Feverish
- 53 Per

ACROSS

- 1 Farm enclosure
- 4 Bubbles up
- 9 Double helix
- 12 Onassis nickname
- 13 Immature raptor
- 14 Dixie fighter
- 15 Canada or Mexico
- 17 Wild West shows
- 19 Crumple up
- 20 Written reminders
- 21 Major nuisance
- 23 Nile god
- 24 Sauce with basil
- 27 Well-chosen
- 28 Draws a bead on
- 30 Deli breads
- 31 Hi-fi record
- 32 Nectar seekers, briefly
- 34 Refrain syllable
- 35 Wiesel or Ducommun
- 37 Rise abruptly
- 38 Yellowstone sight
- 39 Concrete reinforcer
- 41 Opry's st.
- 42 Gaelic pop star
- 43 Historical period
- 45 Cable network
- 46 Screen blinker
- 48 Japanese theatre
- 51 Schuss
- 52 Senses
- 54 Thicken
- 55 Londoner's brew
- 56 Overwhelm
- 57 Sci-fi computer

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2. Lightweight cord queue (1)
3. Practical joke by actress Hilary (1)
4. Chicago team's angry stares (1)
5. Catholic services' drinking vessels (2)
6. Spoken clarity of a lie (2)
7. Spinning around Rod of "Twilight Zone" (2)

ANSWERS: 1. SQUAT SCOTT 2. TWINE LINE 3. SWANK PRANK 4. BEARS CLARS 5. MASSES GLASSES 6. FICTION DICTON 7. WHIRLING SERLING
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		8	6	4	2	

Instructions

The digits 1 through 9 will appear exactly once in each row, each column, and each zone. (A zone is an outlined 3x3 grid within the larger puzzle grid. There are nine of these zones in the puzzle.) Do not enter a digit into a box if it already appears elsewhere in the same 3x3 zone, or in the same row across the puzzle, or column down the puzzle.

Solve time:

- Under 13 minutes Genius
- 13-17 minutes Scholar
- 17-21 Smart
- 21-25 Pretty good
- More than 25 Keep practising

PREVIOUS ANSWER

4	7	8	3	6	2	1	5	9
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6	8	3	1	7	5	9	2	4
7	2	1	6	4	9	3	8	5
8	4	7	2	9	1	5	3	6
2	3	5	7	8	6	4	9	1
1	6	9	5	3	4	2	7	8

horoscope

ARIES
March 21-April 20

A cowardly man has a visitor. Save money for the time that a fanatic fails to impress. Fame will find your friend.

TAURUS
April 21-May 21

Remain friendly when going your own way. Bear in mind someone needs to be punished. A perky girl gets a hobby.

GEMINI
May 22-June 21

Don't jump when someone peeks out from a hidey-hole. Capture love with a new friend. Sweet dreams are filling your head.

CANCER
June 22-July 22

Psychic impressions will overcome reluctance to join a group. A dazzling object is more important. Try to be gentle with a moaner.

LEO
July 23-Aug. 23

A childish friend can't see the whole picture. Belief arrives in form of a wad of cash. A backer causes a business upset.

VIRGO
Aug. 24-Sept. 22

An ally is embarrassed about saying the wrong thing. Your love life takes on a different quality. A defensive person is in trouble.

LIBRA
Sept. 23-Oct. 23

Someone knows you know the truth. Don't let a promise interfere with the teller of a story. Your character is admired.

SCORPIO
Oct. 24-Nov. 22

Someone will read your mind, so think hard about honesty. The discovery of a good agenda changes travel plans.

SAGITTARIUS
Nov. 23-Dec. 21

Don't show your claws due to frustration. A stranger knows something about someone close to you. A groomer tells of his joy.

CAPRICORN
Dec. 22-Jan. 20

A logical approach works best with noise-makers. A chance to be thrilled arises. Check your wallet before accepting a shaky deal.

AQUARIUS
Jan. 21-Feb. 18

You'll supervise on a level playing field. Your security system is inspected. A man has a proposal for a problem.

PISCES
Feb. 19-March 20

The discord from emotional problems is blown out of the water. Do some reading at night. An idiotic person makes sarcastic remarks.

AVATAR VENUS

Celeb fun facts

Name: Benjamin McKenzie
Best known for: His role as Ryan on the television series The O.C.
Interesting fact: McKenzie followed his father and grandfather to the University of Virginia, where he graduated in 2001 with a degree in economics and foreign relations.



SOURCE: imdb.com Actor Benjamin McKenzie

Vancouver weather

Afternoon

Partly cloudy.
12°

Tonight

Rain. 90%
Low 9°

Tuesday

Variable. 40%
12° / 8°

Wednesday

Showers. 40%
10° / 8°

Thursday

Thunderstorms. 60%
12° / 8°

Temperature Normals
High: 12.6°
Low: 5.8°

Records
High: 17.3°/1992
Low: 0.0°/1949

Sunrise: 7:46 a.m.
Sunset: 6:07 p.m.
Moonrise: 9:40 a.m.
Moonset: 6:19 p.m.

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