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Stars perform for a good cause

Indie rock band Stars will perform at Vancouver Technical Secondary School Thursday morning to celebrate a \$10,000 donation awarded to the school from Canadian music education charity MusiCounts. "I agree to participate in anything that involves music and kids. My whole life was given to me by my participation in the public school system," said lead singer/lyricist Torquil Campbell. Stars will also perform at the Vogue Theatre Thursday night. — QMI AGENCY



Creativemix returns

The crème de la crème of Vancouver's creative community will join together Thursday to nurture local innovation. Creativemix, an "ideation" conference featuring speakers including Pixar creative director Dylan Brown, musician Dan Mangan and Goh Ballet director Chan Hon Goh, returns for its second year at Yaletown's Roundhouse Community Centre to both inspire and support up-and-coming artistic trailblazers. — QMI AGENCY

Cops cleared in beating case

DHARM MAKWANA
QMI Agency

The victim in a case of so-called mistaken identity plead for justice Wednesday at the conclusion of a nine-month Delta police investigation that exonerated two Vancouver police officers accused of using excessive force.

East Vancouver man Yao Wei Wu questioned the findings of Delta Chief Const. Jim Cessford who determined Consts. Nicholas Florkow and Bryan London acted within the rule of law when subduing Wu during a domestic violence call that came from a rental suite at the back of the victim's home on Jan. 21.

In the physical confrontation, Wu suffered a broken orbital bone when officers pulled him to the ground.

"Please tell me, from now on, if the police knocks at the door at midnight, should we open the door or not?" Wu asked through a translator. "For justice, and for vindication of myself, I will pursue this in court."

Wu's lawyer Cameron Ward questioned why the investigation took so long when less than an hour was spent questioning each officer involved.

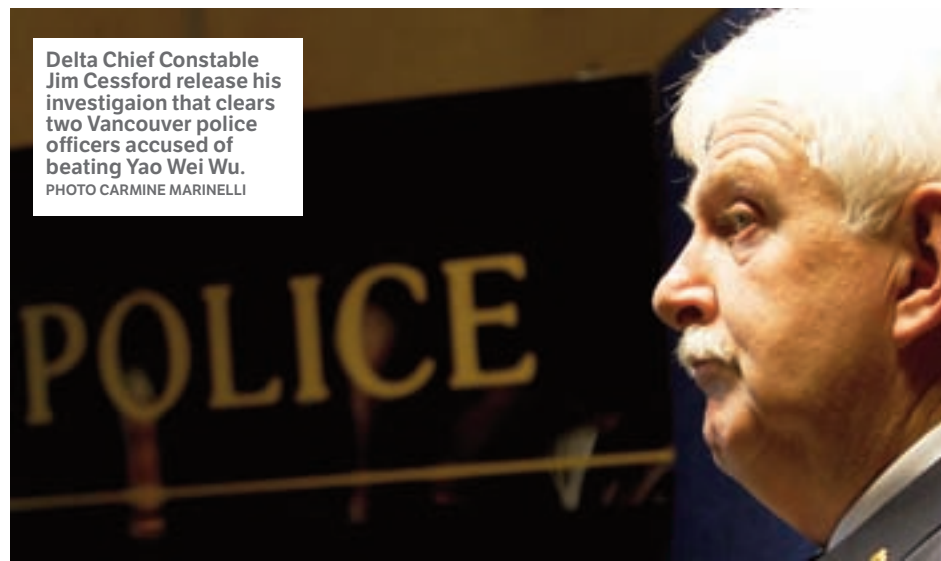
"Because we had police investigating police, the investigation lasted for nine months and the assailants were not interviewed for four months. Mr.

Wu was questioned the next day while he was recovering," he said.

Chief Const. Cessford maintained police are best fit to investigate police but remained open to the possibility of an independent, civilian-led investigation team into police misconduct.

Vancouver police issued a statement attempting to clarify why Wu's case was described first as an arrest, then days later as a case of mistaken identity deserving of an apology by Chief Const. Jim Chu.

Wu can appeal Chief Const. Cessford's findings through the Office of the Police Complaints Commissioner.



Delta Chief Constable Jim Cessford release his investigation that clears two Vancouver police officers accused of beating Yao Wei Wu.
PHOTO CARMINE MARINELLI

ZALM SUED

AUTOBIOGRAPHY Bill Vander Zalm may be winning the war on the Harmonized Sales Tax — with Premier Gordon Campbell's resignation given Wednesday — but the former premier is in some hot water of his own. Former conflict of interest commissioner Ted Hughes filed a defamation lawsuit against Vander Zalm for comments about Hughes in the 2008 autobiography *Bill Vander Zalm: 'For the People'*. — QMI AGENCY

RED NOSE

SAFETY The holidays are fast approaching, which marks another year for Operation Red Nose. The volunteer-designated driver program is gearing up to help people get home safely during a time of office parties, festive gatherings and intoxication. Red Nose organizers will launch their 2010 campaign Thursday in North Vancouver. — QMI AGENCY

CASE CLOSED

BONES Residents in Surrey were a bit rattled Tuesday with the news that a set of bones had been found near Highway 10 and 126 St. that afternoon. But after launching an investigation, Surrey RCMP told media Wednesday that analysis has ruled out the possibility the bones are human. The investigation has now ended. — QMI AGENCY

FRANK PAUL INQUIRY

Decision a difficult one: Prosecutors

MATT KIELTYKA
QMI Agency

The decision not to charge any Vancouver police officers in the death of Frank Paul was "a close call," according to a senior member of the Criminal Justice Branch.

The inquiry into Paul's death held hearings Wednesday for the first time since 2008 as prosecutors testified — for the first time in B.C.'s history — why no criminal charges were laid in the aboriginal man's 1998 death from exposure after police dropped him off in an east Vancouver alley.

First up was Gregory Fitch, the director of criminal ap-

peals and special prosecutions at the Criminal Justice Branch.

Fitch was ordered to review the evidence of the case and the decision not to lay any charges against police after the Office of the Police Complaint Commissioner asked the Crown to reconsider the file in light of new evidence.

"I found the assessment to be a difficult one. It took me longer than it should have," Fitch told commissioner William Davies. "It was a very complicated file."

Fitch said he consulted with an unusually high number of lawyers before finally making

his decision to back up the Crown's original decision not to lay charges against the officers for failing in their duty to provide Paul with the appropriate care while he was in their custody.

He made his decision in Aug. 2001, but admitted the choice was a difficult one.

"It was a close call," he said.

Before the unprecedented hearings began, commissioner Davies said he has the power to recommend changes to the Criminal Justice Branch's rules, policies and procedures.

But that's as far as he can go. "I will not find or allege mis-

conduct against a member of the Criminal Justice Branch," he said.

Fitch outlined the steps Crown prosecutors take when approving charges and said B.C. has the strictest guidelines in the country.

Prosecutors can only approve charges if there is a "substantial likelihood of conviction" and prosecution is required in the public interest.

In comparison, prosecutors in Ontario can move a case into the legal system if there is a "reasonable prospect of a conviction," a much lower threshold, according to Fitch.

The inquiry continues.



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Mike Klassen
Political columnist

Many changes on the way

After spending \$240,000 to announce a 15 per cent income tax cut during prime time and receiving no increase in his approval rating, Gordon Campbell finally realized he had to go. That's the reason my sources say the Premier packed it in, despite several other intriguing theories.

Now the B.C. Liberal Party constitution takes over, and the party's executive meets to discuss the date to choose a new leader. The vote by party members must take place no sooner than eight weeks and no later than six months from their decision. My bet is that the leadership vote will wait until after the Feb. 15 provincial budget, probably in March or April.

Another bomb went off on Wednesday that hardly any media pundits took notice of while they wrote the obituaries for Gordon Campbell.

By resigning the Premier effectively ended Carole James' career as the BC NDP leader. James is done. The internal struggle her party dealt with in October over the Bob Simpson affair will be a walk in the park compared to what's ahead unless she also tenders her resignation forthwith.

Who forms the next government of British Columbia entirely depends upon which party has a more civil process to replace their leader. On that front, the advantage goes to the B.C. Liberals.

Campbell may have been toxic in the polls, but internally party apparatchiks recognize that he held them together well for 18 years. They're much less likely to hang their dirty laundry in public.

Whereas, how the NDP will resolve their leadership problems is a whole other matter. The recent scrap revealed that factions within that party are more pronounced.

I also think that, unlike the B.C. Liberal Party, outsiders are more likely to take over.

The rumours of Vancouver Mayor Gregor Robertson seeking the leadership of the NDP persist, despite his coy statements to the contrary. Robertson's backroom has invested significant money, much of it from American backers and from the charitable sector, in developing a power play around Robertson's golden boy image.

His ambitions don't stop at 12th and Cambie, but over to where the real money and power lies in Victoria. Robertson's key mentor and financial backer even stated in an interview that he has a 500-year vision that he's devoting significant resources too. Now that's some long range planning!

Robertson is well positioned to throw the weight of his social network, bottomless pot of cash, and his high recognition factor into the mix provincially. But will he do it? You can bet there are several people feverishly plotting that move right now.

When it comes to the demise of Carole James as leader, you can also credit the Herculean efforts of the anti-HST forces too for their part. No one could have possibly expected that with Gordon Campbell's political capital evaporated that the NDP would have stood by their current leader.

For those who watch politics, 2011 is going to be a barn-burner. A year from now I expect the face of B.C. politics will be barely recognizable.

Mike Klassen is a supporter of the B.C. Liberal party.

PREMIER NO MORE

B.C. The sudden resignation of Premier Gordon Campbell sent shockwaves through the B.C. political universe, but for many it was a welcome decision. He is the fourth of the last seven B.C. premiers to step down.

BOB MACKIN
QMI Agency

British Columbia's 34th Premier Gordon Campbell announced his resignation at a hastily called Wednesday news conference where he said politics is a "very nasty business at times" but said his career was "quite a run and a lot more fun than not."

Campbell, 62, led the B.C. Liberal Party to three consecutive election wins during a boom and bust nine-year era that climaxed with the 2010 Winter Olympics.

His tenure was marred by a 2003 Hawaii drinking and driving conviction, the B.C. Supreme Court corruption trial over the sale of taxpayer-owned BC Rail and a tax revolt against the Harmonized Sales Tax.

Campbell said he asked the party to hold a leadership convention "at the earliest possible date," but did not say when he would depart.

"My goal is to return public attention to what is important to British Columbians, their jobs, their families and how government can best support them," an emotional Campbell said. "That is what the decision with regard to the HST was all about."

Campbell's resignation came almost a week after a \$240,000 televised speech in which he apologized for and explained the HST, announced a 15 per cent income tax cut and promised to improve elementary school

education. An Angus Reid Public Opinion survey found Campbell's approval rating plummeted to 9 per cent in mid-October. His leadership was already scheduled for review at a Nov. 19-20 convention in Penticton.

"When public debate becomes focused on one person as opposed to what's in the best interests of the province of B.C., we've lost sight of what's important," he said. "When that happens it's time for a change."

Campbell thanked his wife Nancy and two sons and didn't take reporters' questions. Prime Minister Stephen Harper credited Campbell with returning "British Columbia to prosperity" and applauded his flag-waving, red mitten-wearing support of the Olympics.

B.C. NDP leader Carole James thanked Campbell for his public service, but said he harmed B.C. by cutting social programs and imposing the HST.

"Premier Campbell made the right decision," said James' statement. "It's become increasingly clear the B.C. Liberals have broken trust with the people they were elected to serve. No issue shows that more clearly than the HST."

Campbell is the fourth premier out of the last seven to resign: Bill Vander Zalm (1991) and Glen Clark (1999) for conflict of interest and Mike Harcourt (1996) over a party scandal.



Above: Premier Gordon Campbell announces his resignation Wednesday in Vancouver. Right: Campbell speaks at the Victoria launch of the Olympic torch relay on Oct. 30, 2009.

What now for Libs?

BOB MACKIN
QMI Agency

The B.C. Liberals were already planning a Nov. 19-20 convention in Penticton. Now they have to hold a convention to replace Premier Gordon Campbell, leader since 1993.

Party president Mickey Patryluk must call the board together within 28 days of Campbell's Wednesday bombshell and decide on a date no later than six months

after such a board meeting, said party spokesman Chad Pederson.

Pederson was unable to say whether Campbell would remain Premier until the leadership convention or depart sooner and hand the reins to an interim leader.

Health minister Kevin Falcon and Surrey mayor Dianne Watts have been widely touted as challengers for Campbell's crown.

Mixed reaction

BOB MACKIN
QMI Agency

Opinions about Gordon Campbell were polarized the day the premier called it quits.

B.C. Federation of Labour president Jim Sinclair said Campbell "put business interests ahead of the well-being of British Columbians."

"(The Liberals) took the highest minimum wage in the country and left us today with the lowest," Sinclair said.

Olympic Resistance Network's Chris Shaw said Campbell is leaving B.C. with an Olympic debt that ensures "the continuation of the crisis of

homelessness and poverty."

Wilderness Committee policy director Gwen Barlee said saving the Great Bear Rainforest was good and the carbon tax symbolic, but Campbell "gutted" the environment ministry.

"When you really scratch beneath the green veneer there's not much there," Barlee said.

B.C. Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Association executive director Darrell Evans said Campbell increased government secrecy despite a 1998 openness pledge.

"He is a man who promised everything and delivered almost nothing," Evans said.

Mark Startup, president of retail entrepreneurs association Shelfspace, said Campbell had the guts to champion Sunday shopping as Vancouver Mayor and sales tax reform as Premier. Despite the controversial HST, "significant changes were made on the policy level which have benefited merchants."

Ex-Four Host First Nations CEO Tewanee Joseph said the Premier deserved credit for "having First Nations in this province play a bigger role in where we are going as B.C. The legacy that he's created now lives in all of us and we need to keep this relationship going."



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Milestones in Campbell's career

1948: Born Jan. 12 in Vancouver

1969: Earned English degree on scholarship at Dartmouth College

1972-1976: Executive assistant to Vancouver Mayor Art Phillips

1976-1984: real estate developer, SFU MBA student, campaigner for downtown stadium

1984: elected alderman in City of Vancouver

1986: elected 40th mayor of

Vancouver

1988 and 1990: re-elected Mayor

1993: elected B.C. Liberal leader

2001: led Liberals to landslide win over NDP

2003: convicted of impaired driving in Hawaii; successful campaign for Vancouver 2010 Olympic bid; RCMP raid B.C. Legislature

2005 and 2009: Liberals re-elected

2009: announced Harmonized Sales Tax

2010: B.C. hosts Olympics; HST introduced; anti-HST petition forces Campbell to call referendum; BC Rail trial begins and ends with surprise plea bargain by ex-ministerial aides Basi and Virk; Campbell resigns Nov. 3.



NEWS, VIEWS & ATTITUDES

Bill Tieleman
Political columnist

HST sealed premier's fate

"When public debate becomes focused on one person rather than what's in the best interests of British Columbia, we have lost sight of what is important. When that happens, it's time for a change."

— B.C. Premier Gordon Campbell during his resignation speech Wednesday

In the end, it wasn't ripping up union contracts or massive public protests or a fudge-it budget or privatizing B.C. Rail or even the Basi-Virk corruption trial that took out Gordon Campbell.

And while a rumoured B.C. Liberal MLA caucus revolt and an upcoming leadership review vote put pressure on Campbell, they were both symptoms, not the cause.

No, the political bullet with his name on it had three fatal letters that he likely wishes he'd never heard - HST.

Campbell and his party have dropped dramatically since British Columbians realized that the \$2-billion shift in taxes from corporations to consumers would cost them each hundreds if not thousands of dollars every year. Even Campbell's last-minute attempt to avoid the electoral electric chair with a 15 per cent income tax cut announced in last week's televised address couldn't get him a reprieve from voters.

While Campbell handily won a third majority government in May 2009, his outrageous pre-election claim that B.C.'s budget deficit was only \$495 million soon became \$2.8 billion. That caused Campbell to panic. The quickest solution: A \$1.6 billion, one-time-only grant from the federal government for imposing the HST.

When the HST was announced, I immediately started a "NO BC HST" Facebook protest page. And British Columbians responded, with more than 1,000 a day joining until the "NO BC HST" page peaked at 136,000 members — second only to the Canucks fan page.

Then, together with former B.C. Premier Bill Vander Zalm and ex-Unity Party leader Chris Delaney, we formed Fight HST and organized a major Vancouver rally of 5,000 protesters in Sept. 2009.

Fight HST then did the impossible - we launched the first-ever successful citizens' initiative petition demanding the HST's elimination. It gathered 705,000 signatures across B.C.'s 85 ridings and was declared valid by Elections BC.

Campbell and the B.C. Liberals continued to dismiss Fight HST and voters' anger, but now the premier is political history and the HST is likely to follow soon.

Bill Tieleman is a supporter of the B.C. NDP.

TWITTER CHATTER

@RichTweets: WOW WOW WOW. Gordon Campbell resigned! Maybe he should pay back the \$240,000 spent on his infomercial that clearly tanked. #bcpoli

@yyzsportsmedia we are such wimps in Ontario; Y can't Dalton follow Gordon Campbell's lead and resign

@mattdcpga: Goodbye Gordon Campbell. I know I'm the minority here, but I'm sad to see you go. #yyj

@RyRyNcoke: Why would gordon campbell resign over the only good thing hes done for bc? bc needs hst like it or not

@VanMortgage: maybe Gordon Campbell thought he lost the mid-term election? #bcpoli

@kimberlybui25: My goodness. Gordon Campbell resigns and I get into arts co-op. I'll take that as a good omen.

@petequily: Gordon Campbell is the top trending topic on Twitter in Canada. Because he resigned. Partying tonight in BC

@sfulton8: Open the champagne! Gordon Campbell is pulling a Palin.

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1 Barack Obama faced the midterm-election music Wednesday telling U.S. citizens he "felt bad" about the drubbing his party took at the polls.

2 Gay and lesbian protesters in Spain are planning to protest the Pope's visit this weekend with a **Queer Kissing Flashmob**.

3 Facebook announced Wednesday it is planning an expansion to its mobile platform, though CEO Mark Zuckerberg denied rumours his company was developing its own phone.

GOOD NEWS

LEGO GETS BEAMED UP BY NASA

A LEGO space shuttle is en route to space. NASA and the LEGO Group have partnered to send the model shuttle into space with the space shuttle Discovery's STS-133 mission. According to a press release from the space agency, the LEGO Group will release four NASA-inspired products next year. Each one will contain education materials. The initiative is in part an attempt to boost children's interest in math and science. — QMI AGENCY

WEIRD NEWS



SAN FRANCISCO LAW TAKES HAPPY MEAL TOYS FROM CHILDREN

San Francisco has become the first major U.S. city to pass a law that cracks down on the popular practice of giving away free toys with unhealthy restaurant meals for children. San Francisco's Board of Supervisors passed the law on Tuesday on a veto-proof 8-to-3 vote. It takes effect on Dec. 1, 2011. The law, like an ordinance passed earlier this year in nearby Santa Clara County, would require that restaurant kids' meals meet certain nutritional standards before they could be sold with toys. Opponents of the law include the National Restaurant Association and McDonald's Corp, which used its now wildly popular Happy Meal to pioneer the use of free toys to market directly to children. "We are extremely disappointed with today's

decision. It's not what our customers want, nor is it something they asked for," McDonald's spokeswoman Danya Proud said in a statement. "Getting a toy with a kid's meal is just one part of a fun, family experience at McDonald's," Proud said. The San Francisco law would allow toys to be given away with kids' meals that have less than 600 calories, contain fruits and vegetables, and include beverages without excessive fat or sugar. Backers of the ordinance say it aims to promote healthy eating habits while combating childhood obesity. "Our children are sick. Rates of obesity in San Francisco are disturbingly high, especially among children of colour," said San Francisco supervisor Eric Mar, who sponsored the measure. — REUTERS

TWITTERTRENDS

Gordon Campbell: The B.C. premier, slammed with low popularity numbers hastily announced his resignation Wednesday motivating Tweeps to chat about it. Campbell's popularity sunk after he said he was bringing in the harmonized sales tax.

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I wish my Christmas-ambitious neighbours would give me some time to dedecorate after Halloween, so our holidays don't clash.

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BY THE NUMBERS



300 artifacts

The number of items included at an exhibit in London, England, displaying items found on the wreck of the RMS Titanic, some of which have never been presented before. Above are dishes recovered from the wreck. — REUTERS



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'I AM NOT SATISFIED': CLEMENT

Feds spike Potash bid

DAVID AKIN
Parliamentary Bureau Chief

The federal government Wednesday spiked a \$39 billion foreign takeover of Saskatchewan's Potash Corp., saying the offer from Australian mining giant BHP Billiton wasn't good for Canada.

"I am not satisfied that the proposed transaction is likely to be of net benefit to Canada," Industry Minister Tony Clement told reporters.

In rejecting the bid, the government of Prime Minister Stephen Harper avoided a potentially damaging showdown with Saskatchewan Premier Brad Wall, who leads the conservative-minded Saskatchewan Party and who had threatened to sue if Ottawa failed to block the deal.

"The pressure coming from the people of Saskatchewan

is clearly rattling this government," said NDP Leader Jack Layton.

"They've been forced to listen."

A recent poll by Angus Reid found that 62% of people in Saskatchewan and Manitoba wanted the deal blocked.

Nationally, the poll of 1,014 Canadians found that about 34% agreed with Wall, and only 9% opposed Saskatchewan's decision.

The Conservatives hold 13 of Saskatchewan's 14 seats, and opposition politicians were ready to use the Potash deal as ammunition to try to steal those seats in a future election.

Both Liberal Party Leader Michael Ignatieff and NDP Leader Jack Layton called on Clement to scrap the 30-day waiting period given to BHP Billiton for a response.



Industry Minister Tony Clement speaks with reporters Wednesday after the government spiked a \$39-billion foreign takeover of Potash Corp. QMI AGENCY

KKK costume outcry leads Legion to close branch

MARK HOULT
AND JANET RICHARDS
QMI Agency

The Ontario Command of the Royal Canadian Legion is cracking down on a branch where a racist Halloween costume caused waves across the country.

Ed Pigeau of the Royal Canadian Legion Ontario Command said the Campbellford, Ont., branch of the legion has been temporarily closed until they complete their investigation.

"I can tell you that the man who let them in has been severely reprimanded and there is the possibility there could be others who will be disciplined or dismissed," Pigeau said.

The comments came after OPP said charges were unlikely after two men attended the party dressed up as a black man with noose around his neck being led around by a man dressed in Klu Klux Klan robe and a confederate flag on his back.

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Ontario howls over Cesar's pet pooch

ANTONELLA ARTUSO
QMI Agency

The same vague pit bull description used to ban the canine companion of famous dog whisperer Cesar Millan from Ontario could just as easily apply to most of the males in the provincial Legislature, NDP MPP Cheri DiNovo says.

"It talks about wide shoulders, short hair, pointy ears — it would describe most of the men at Queen's Park except for the long thin tail, and we don't know that because they wear trousers," DiNovo said Wednesday.

Millan's people contacted DiNovo's office at the end of August in anticipation of a fall tour through Ontario, she said. Millan was concerned that his dog Junior might be classified as a pit bull under the provincial legis-

lation banning the dogs, she said.

Attorney General Chris Bentley said he admires the work of Milan but the pit bull ban was necessary for public safety.

"It was a very difficult decision," Bentley said. "I have a dog myself. She is part of the family."

It was a very difficult decision ... I have a dog myself. She is part of my family. »

— Ontario Attorney General Chris Bentley

DiNovo said she supports bad owner legislation that punishes people who don't control their pets, but said it is unfair to target dogs just because someone believes they look like a pit bull.

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FOURTH ERUPTION SENDS VILLAGERS FLEEING

70,000 shelter from ash

REUTERS — Indonesia's Mount Merapi erupted with renewed strength on Wednesday, the fourth eruption in eight days, forcing authorities to move shelters holding some 70,000 refugees further away from the volcano, a volcanology official said.

The volcano, near Yogyakarta on Java island, spewed clouds of ash and gas 5 km into the sky for more than an hour on Wednesday, its biggest eruption in the past 10 days.

"This is the first time that the eruption has continued for more than an hour, so I decided to move the shelters to 15 km away from the summit from 10 km away previously," Surono, head of Indonesia's volcanology agency, said.

"We have moved the shelters 15 km away, but I hope the hot clouds will not reach 10 km from the crater," Surono said.

Villagers wearing masks stand on a street after fleeing from their village in Sidorejo in Klaten of the Indonesia central Java province on Wednesday. **REUTERS**



U.S. open to criticism

REUTERS — The United States is open to fair criticism of its human rights record, including racial discrimination and counter-terrorism policies, when it is under UN scrutiny this week, a U.S. envoy said on Wednesday.

For the first time on Friday, U.S. practices will come under review by the UN Human Rights Council, which has been gradually examining the performance of all UN members.

"We have to be willing to take criticism from all corners. And we've got to be able to take all serious allegations seriously, and I believe we will," U.S. human rights ambassador Eileen Chamberlain Donahoe said.

A bloc of developing countries, many of them Muslim, often allied with Russia and China, dominate the 47-member body set up in 2006 to replace a discredited commission.



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Swift slams ex-manager

Taylor Swift has stepped up a legal battle with her former manager by accusing him of deliberately making her life a misery with his litigation attempt. Dan Dymtrow, who managed Swift when she was 14 years old, filed suit in New York last month, claiming he is owed millions of dollars in commission for playing a key role in the singer's career. He also accused the *Love Story* star's parents of delaying the signing of Swift's lucrative record deal until after he had been fired to avoid paying him any more money. — WENN.COM

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Boyle set for royals

Susan Boyle's dreams of performing for a royal audience are set to come true — the Scottish star has been asked to sing for Charles, Prince of Wales at a charity event. The 49-year-old singer took to the stage for Pope Benedict XVI during his visit to her native Scotland in September. And Boyle is now preparing to follow up her papal performance

with a royal bow at the upcoming Pride of Britain show in London next week. In a statement, she says, "It's going to be a real privilege to be performing before His Royal Highness, the Prince Of Wales. It's going to be a great night. I can't wait to be there." — WENN.COM

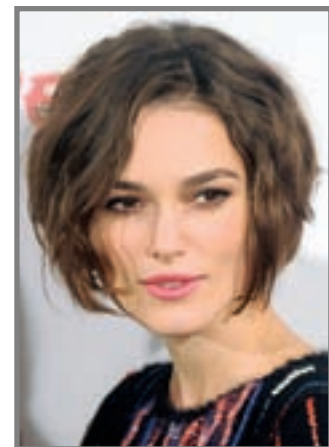
Inject humour into 007: Moore



Roger Moore is calling on movie bosses to inject "a little humour" into the next James Bond movie because *Quantum of Solace* was too serious. Daniel Craig made his second outing as 007 in the 2008 blockbuster, but the film was largely panned by critics. Moore is convinced a more humorous script will impress viewers. — WENN.COM

Knightley laptops stolen in London

Keira Knightley has called in police after her London home was ransacked by burglars while she attended the Rome Film Festival in Italy. The *Pirates of the Caribbean* star was promoting her new release, *Last Night*, at the annual movie event last week when the thieves targeted her \$1.95 million property in the U.K. capital. They are thought to have entered Knightley's apartment block through a faulty door and gained access to her home by forcing their way in. The burglars took two personal laptops, leaving Knightley feeling "violated" and worried about returning to the property, according to Britain's *The Sun*. A source tells the publication, "Keira is mortified to think anyone has been rummaging around her personal stuff. She feels violated and doesn't know if she wants to return to the flat." Police are currently investigating the incident. — WENN.COM



BUTLER: THE GOOD SAMARITAN

Scottish actor Gerard Butler proved he's the perfect gentleman during a night out in New York City last week by coming to the rescue of a girl who fell over in the street. The *300* star enjoyed an evening with friends at trendy Manhattan restaurant Villa Pacri on Thursday. After leaving the eatery, the group found a woman lying in the street outside after having tripped on her high-heeled shoes, according to the *New York Daily News*. Butler reportedly dashed over to help her to her feet, while his friends picked up the contents of her purse which had scattered in the fall before sending the grateful girl on her way. — WENN.COM

Filmmaker calls out judge



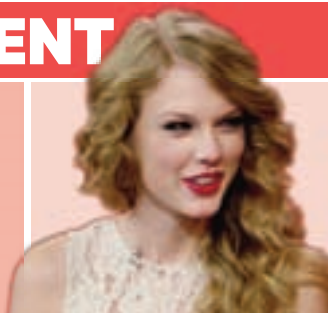
Filmmaker Michael Moore has criticized a New York City judge for dismissing a juror in a financial fraud case because of her links to his

2009 movie *Capitalism: A Love Story*. Donna Gianell, 54, had been selected to take part in a trial which has seen Citigroup banking bosses accused of committing fraud by over-estimating the value of British record label EMI when it was sold to private equity company Terra Firma for \$6.4 billion in 2007. Judge Jed Rakoff dismissed Gianell when he found out she had received a credit in Moore's documentary, which was fiercely critical of the banking industry. She was interviewed for the movie, but her scene was cut from the final edit. — WENN.COM



Stone Temple Pilots at Coliseum

At Pacific Coliseum tonight, American rockers the Stone Temple Pilots play tunes off their latest album - the first time the quintet has produced music since 2001's *Shangri-La Dee Da*. The self-titled record was released last May and has since garnered much critical acclaim. Tickets at livenation.com - 24H



Taylor Swift tops charts with *Speak Now*

Country-pop star Taylor Swift had a sensational debut on the album charts this week. The 20-year-old's third studio effort, *Speak Now*, blasted to No. 1, selling a whopping 62,000 copies in its first week. Sylvain Cossette's *70s Volume 3* checked in at No. 2, Kings of Leon's *Come Around Sundown*, No. 1 last week, slipped to No. 3, and Michael Buble's *Crazy Love* shot up 67 positions to No. 4. - QMI AGENCY

ZACH GALIFIANAKIS AND ROBERT DOWNEY JR. INSIST THEY DON'T GET ALONG THAT WELL

Due Date stars become frenemies

LINDSEY WARD
QMI Agency

Just as anyone who has seen their characters in *Due Date* might expect, Robert Downey Jr. and Zach Galifianakis really don't get along that well.

"I think Robert and I formed a friendship on this movie — albeit very antagonistic," Galifianakis says of his unlikely partner in the anti-buddy roadtrip comedy, opening nationally in theatres on Friday. "He makes fun of people a lot, and for some reason I like to be made fun of."

Downey Jr., sitting next to his co-star at a news conference, admits that when he first teamed up with Galifianakis on the set of *Due Date*, he felt it was his "duty to teach this guy how to f—ing act," but soon learned Galifianakis already knew how — even if he does have a "ghastly tick."

"It's my favourite thing about him, to tell you the truth, particularly when you're doing press and it takes him 45 years to answer one question.

He's trying to think about

what the answer is, and then he stutters and then he goes, 'Mmm hmm,' and then he judges himself and then he starts all over again," Downey Jr. says before launching into a full-fledged parody of Galifianakis screwing up his lines on set — much to his frenemy's dismay.

"I know my face is turning red," Galifianakis responds. "I don't want you to interpret it as being embarrassed ... it's rage. The colour of my face is rage."

Galifianakis may blush, but he doesn't crack up. Downey Jr. says he's "85 times more professional than Zach" but was more likely to burst into laughter while shooting *Due Date*.

The film directed and produced by *The Hangover*'s Todd Phillips and Dan Goldberg sees the star's wallet-less architect, Peter Highman, forced to ride from Atlanta to Los Angeles with *The Hangover* star's aspiring actor, Ethan Tremblay, in order to be with his expectant wife

(Michelle Monaghan) for the birth of their first child.

As with any road-trip comedy, much ridiculous hilarity ensues as the mismatched pair — Peter a practical thinker with anger-control issues, and Ethan a free-spirited stoner who shares inappropriate habits with his French bulldog Sonny — make their way through the States.

But beneath the driving

disputes, death-defying accidents and numerous pit-stop cameos (Juliette

Lewis, Jamie Foxx and

Danny McBride star) lies a theme of fatherhood — to which Peter, a soon-to-be-dad, and Ethan, whose pops recently died, can both relate.

"While it is a road movie and it is a comedy, at its core it is a movie about (Ethan), who's going through a trauma,



Zach Galifianakis as Ethan Tremblay and Robert Downey Jr. as Peter Highman in *Due Date*, out this Friday.

having just lost his father, and (Peter) who's about to become a father for the first time," Phillips says.

"And why they needed to meet at this moment and why

Robert needed to travel with this kind of man-child who was going through this traumatic experience, but really is a purely loving creature, much like a child would be."

Independence Day producer prepping secret alien film

REUTERS — The man who destroyed the White House in one of the biggest alien-invasion movies of all time, is secretly returning to the genre, this time in a decidedly small way.

Independence Day director Roland Emmerich, who also managed to destroy New York in *Godzilla* and the Earth in his 2009 global-warming picture *2012*, is gearing up to shoot a blockbuster called *The Zone*.

The stealth project joins the swelling ranks of the "found footage" genre, which purport to be genuine reels, tapes or

files found after the person operating the camera expires.

The alien-invasion flick *Cloverfield* revived the trend in 2008, and the hugely successful *Paranormal Activity* movies have kept it alive.

No plot details are known but sources say *The Zone* revolves around an alien invasion, will be improv-based and cast with relative unknowns.

In fact, word is that two leads were just cast, one playing a haggard journalist in his 40s or 50s, the other a black man in his early to mid 20s, the cameraman.

Michael Jackson gets the circus treatment

DARRYL STERDAN
QMI Agency

As if Michael Jackson's life — and death — weren't enough of a circus already.

Jackson's estate and Canadian-born Cirque du Soleil have joined forces to unleash something called *Michael Jackson: The Immortal World Tour* onto an unsuspecting populace.

Directed by choreographer Jamie King, "this once-in-a-lifetime electrifying production will combine Michael Jackson music and choreography with Cirque du Soleil creativity to give fans worldwide a unique view into the spirit, passion and heart of the artistic genius who forever

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fairly tale and magic, and the fragile beauty of nature."

The tour kicks off in Canada next fall, beginning in Montreal and working its way west to Vancouver.

Tickets for the off-the-wall extravaganza go on sale Saturday, Nov. 6 at Ticketmaster at noon local time. They'll set you back between \$50 and \$250, depending on whether



you want the one-white-glove treatment or a seat in the nosebleeds.

Cirque Club members and MichaelJackson.com subscribers have access to a pre-sale on now.

COMEDY

No pattern to Connolly's performance

JASON MACNEIL
QMI Agency

It's been quite the year for Scottish comedian Billy Connolly, from having the City of Glasgow honouring him to his wife performing on *Strictly Come Dancing*, Britain's equivalent of *Dancing With the Stars*.

Connolly puts an exclamation mark on 2010 with a month-long Canadian tour dubbed *The Man Live* which kicks off at Toronto's Massey Hall on Thursday and wraps up Nov. 26 in Vancouver. This despite the fact writing material for his stand-up routine is anything but routine.

"There's no pattern at all," Connolly, 67, says during a Toronto promotional stop. "I've tried it really healthy and been OK and tried it really unhealthy and it's been splendid. Then I've tried it really unhealthy again and it's been rotted, then I'll be fit and it'll be brilliant."

"I don't know. I haven't a clue what it is and I wouldn't dream of trying to analyze it for fear of it going away. I feel once you exposed it that it would run away and hide, the same way they'd expose me."

What Connolly found out early on in his stand-up career was never to assume anything.

"I remember once going to the Liverpool Empire and saying to my driver that, 'It'll be good tonight,'" he says. "About 15 minutes into the show I thought this isn't working, I'm dying here. I'd forgotten that you have to go to work. There's no such thing as a good gig, there's only a good night and you create that between you and the

audience. It taught me a huge lesson: There's no such thing as a good gig until it's done."

Earlier this year, Connolly received the Freedom of the City of Glasgow, something which took him by surprise.

"It entitles me to feed my

◀◀ **There's no such thing as a good gig, there's only a good night and you create that between you and the audience.** »

— Billy Connolly

sheep in Glasgow and I was going to actually do it and show up with sheep to feed them but I learned Bono did it in London," he says. "He took some cattle and marched them over London Bridge."

"If I commit a crime I'm entitled to a cell of my own being a Freeman of the City. So it must have been a weird bunch; they must have been quite excited to be thrown into the slammer. I was also made a Hammer Man. I might be summoned to be hammered or hammer something; it's been a long time since I've hammered anything."

Connolly has also spent some time helping his wife Pamela Stephenson with her *Strictly Come Dancing* gig.

"She was rehearsing in New York with a snake hips guy named James so she has a way to do it," he says. "I'm delighted for her, she loves to dance. We dance a lot but just silly dancing. She tires of me very quickly because I never

take it seriously. If we're doing ballroom-y dancing I always pretend to be drunk at one point and I get low and curl her down low until our knees are bent and she'll say, 'What are you doing?'"

Following his Canadian tour, Connolly plans to take the show to New Zealand and Australia early next year before filming begins on another travel series. Connolly filmed *Journey to the Edge of the World*, a 10-week trek where he traveled across Canada and visited remote northern locales. The new one sees him traveling America's famous Route 66 on his "motor trike."

"I like the human race very much and it's a constant source of bewilderment to me; these nice people are represented by people who don't resemble them," Connolly says. "I find the desire for power is never in line with aesthetic taste, so the world is becoming worse and worse looking. The softies need to take up the paint brushes and slap the politicians with them."

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Comedian Billy Connolly kicks off a cross Canada tour in Toronto on Thursday.
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Star Spaces

Jane Lockhart, the award-winning host of *Colour Confidential* (Tuesday nights on W), started building and decorating dollhouses at five years old. Now she has her own interior design firm (janelockhart.com), is a sought-after speaker at home shows and has written two books.



— MARCY CORNBUM,
SPECIAL TO QMI AGENCY

24h > How would you describe your home in two words?

Small and neat.

24h > Tell us about your home.

My home is a 900-square-foot condo. I'm on the top floor of a low-rise building. It is a new building and I moved in just over a year ago. I have a wonderful terrace that looks over the trees of Bloor West Village — no big buildings, just lots of trees. It's like I'm in a tree house.

24h > What attracted you to this space?

I really like that this space is wide, rather than the typical unit which is long and narrow. The ceilings are just

24h > Who shares your home?

over nine feet high, so the windows are full and clear.

My 17-year-old cat Matisse and my two-year-old beagle Baxter. It has taken a bit for Matisse to accept Mr. B., but he has managed to exercise his authority when necessary. We all know who the boss is.

24h > What is your favourite room and why?

My living room. I love my furniture and how comfortable the space feels. It's not crowded, but functional. The main floor flows so well into my den and into my bedroom. The space connects seamlessly to the other spaces adjacent to it.



24h > How would you describe your decorating style?

Clean, classic, 1960s Hollywood Regency style. I don't like a lot of clutter. I prefer a few choice pieces, which I showcase. I like furniture that remains elegant regardless of the current trends. My space needs to be contemporary and peaceful, not jarring. My walls are off-white. I need to be away from strong and penetrating colour when I'm home, as I work with it every

day. I have graphic patterns, shiny surfaces, textured carpets and glamorous drapery. Of course, everything needs to be pet-proof, as my messy roommates don't care what style I have!

24h > What is your fondest memory in this home?

Clean, classic, 1960s Hollywood Regency style. Enjoying the warm afternoon sun while on the terrace, reading the paper and listening to the kids

jumping in the outdoor pool just up the street.

24h > What's the one item in this home you can't live without?

I absolutely love my Le Corbusier lounge chair. I found it at an antique and junk store over 20 years ago. I always felt that this piece arrived right at the time when I was looking for it... like it was meant to be.

24h > Weekends at home, what are we most likely to find you doing?

I always work Saturdays with my clients in my interior design business. Sunday mornings I get up and take Baxter on a long walk. It's a time to relax and to think ... a day of reflection.

24h > If your walls could talk, what would they say?

"Are you ever going to paint us a colour?!"

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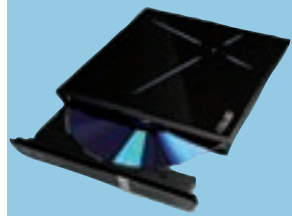
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HP has innovatively collaborated with Dr. Dre & Interscope Records' Jimmy Lovine to create the ENVY 14 Beats Edition laptop. The Beats Edition was created with top notch audio quality in mind for the music lover with no sacrifices on the power and portability side. — QMI AGENCY

XBOX'S NEXT BIG THING

Getting Kinected



JORDAN HEATH-RAWLINGS
QMI Agency

It's tough, in the video game business, to really surprise people these days.

We know exactly what's coming down the pipe. It's been hyped for months. It's been advertised in magazines and talked-up in interviews. It's been demoed at trade shows and previewed at private parties.

The only way a manufacturer like Microsoft can really drop any jaws with new technology now is through the in-home experience. It's one thing to sell something in a glitzy room full of flashing lights and 70-inch

screens. It's another to replicate — or even improve upon — that experience when people get your equipment home and out of the box.

And Microsoft's Kinect — the sensor camera released today that detects your body's movement and lets the Xbox read your actions as in-game commands — is actually far better in your living room than it may have seemed at their various in-store setups, Kinect Experience storefronts or at their massive launches held last night in several cities.

Kinect is far from perfect, but it's the most exciting kind of imperfection. It's a peripheral packed with possibility.

Right now the games — for which, according to the tagline, "you are the controller" — are simple. It's clear developers need to get familiar with exactly what they've got here.

But it's the future that has this relatively jaded gamer more excited than anything else.

A lot of gamers grew up wanting one of Star Trek's holodecks. When a piece of modern technology feels like a step down that road, well, that's not a feat to be taken lightly.

When you are holding nothing in your hand or on your person, and your Xbox console is still displaying your body and mimicking all of its movements on the screen ... well, you realize how little of your current

gaming technology has the power to amaze.

You'll need a decent-sized TV to enjoy Kinect properly, and a relatively large living room to actually get down to business.

But the set-up is as simple as plugging in two cords, setting the camera below or above your TV and hitting the power button. Kinect will walk you through the rest.

It's a peripheral packed with possibility.

Shipping with *Kinect Adventures*, and with launch titles (see sidebar) like *Kinectimals* (interact with all manner of cute, exotic felines), *Your Shape: Fitness Evolved* (a more adult Wii-Fit, without the balance board), *Kinect Sports* (a standard motion-based sports package), *Dance Central* (a Rock Band-esque musical simulator, with you as the dancer) and *Kinect Joy Ride* (drive cars, do stunts) it's easy to see how Kinect would primarily appeal to new and inexperienced gamers. It's also easy to anticipate "serious" gamers writing it off as "Microsoft's Wii."

Which it is — if all that phrase refers to is motion-based gaming. In reality, Kinect amazes because of how seamlessly, even at launch, the technology integrates you into the games



and itself into your Xbox.

Call up Kinect by waving your hand while your Xbox is turned on. Or just by saying "Xbox, Kinect!" It'll hear you, and obey. Select items by moving your hand or holding it in place.

It's hard to understand how impressive these simple things feel until you're doing them for yourself, in the comfort of your

home.

So yes, the launch titles (at least the five we tried) are very much first-generation software. The serious gamers will need to see Kinect used for something deeper than minigames before they buy in, and that's a fair criticism.

And yes, there is a rough-around-the-edges feel to some

of Kinect's performance.

And absolutely, the marketing blitz will be out of control this Christmas, and it will no doubt annoy you.

Every once in a while, though, technology takes the next step. It's sometimes a hesitant and stumbling move, but it's the forward progress we should care about.

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Ding Dong! '80s relived

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Devon Swift
Professional Tweeter

I was shocked to learn Tom Bosley, the man who played Howard Cunningham on the iconic sitcom *Happy Days*, died a few weeks back at the age of 83.

Finally he can be with his TV son *Chuck* who ABC killed off after just one season.

For me, the '70s and '80s represented the golden age of television. Sitting on my butt for two long face-stuffing decades resulted in me coming about half a dozen Ding Dongs shy of qualifying for my own hygiene monkey.

There were places on my body I could no longer reach myself but that didn't matter as long as I had the crew from the *Love Boat* to keep me company.

I even remained a fan of the show after we all found out little Vicky did all that cocaine. Or was it Julie? I'm leaning towards Julie...

OK, Twitterverse, I've embarrassed myself enough times for some of your old school TV guilty pleasures.

@Ranger_Smythe: I'd watch *Night Court* and salivate over Marky Post. I would have liked to tie her to my post (wink).

I was talking guilty pleasures not guilty pleas. OK, this just got way too real. Someone save this thing.

@Sharla13: I loved how wholesome *Little House On The Prairie* was.

That's so sweet. My favourite wholesome shows were *Leave It To Jeannie* and *I Dream Of...* (hang on someone's at the door).

Sorry. OK where were we?

Thanks to a recent cable package upgrade, I now have the ability to relive my favourite shows all over again with TV Land.

I believe a box of Ding Dongs is in order tonight. After all — it's not every day you get a second shot at a hygiene monkey.

This week's top celebrity tweets:

@KimKardashian: Thank you hotel staff for the little chocolate snack on my pillow!

@DevonSwift24: Open a window! That's what happens when you don't tip.

@ceoSteveJobs: I dressed as Moses for Halloween and used two iPads as tablets. "Thou shalt not steal music."

@ConanOBrien: Why does everyone look so uncomfortable when my Katy Perry *Teenage Dream* ring tone goes off?

Devon Swift appears Thursdays. Follow him on Twitter @DevonSwift24.

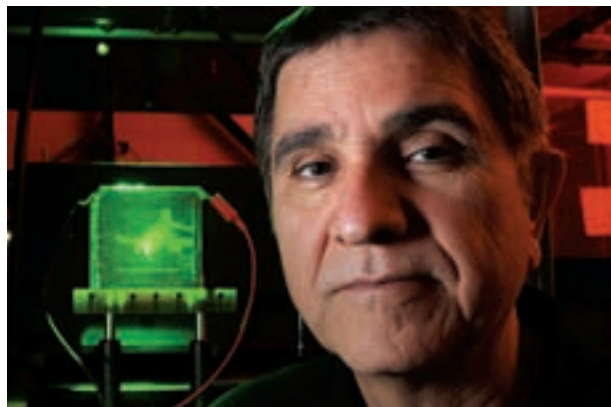
We're one step closer to beaming out 3-D holograms

REUTERS — Executives may not be able to beam a full three-dimensional image of themselves across the world just yet but researchers are a step closer to 3-D real-time images, an advance in holographic technology that could make video conferencing far more lifelike.

Nasser Peyghambarian, right, of the University of Arizona and colleagues said Wednesday their new holographic technology can project a near 360-degree image to another location that updates every two seconds.

"Three-dimensional telepresence" addresses shortcomings of current holograms, which give the illusion of 3-D but leave out the rear view, said Peyghambarian, whose study is in the journal *Nature*.

"If you look at the 3-D object, we show it is very much like if you look around you. It's the closest to what you see compared to any other technology," Peyghambarian, who also holds a position at the Na-



tional Science Foundation, said.

He said the earliest use of the technology could be in movies, but the popularity of 3-D films such as *Avatar*.

"We foresee many applications, including for example, car or airplane manufacturing. They can look at the hologram and design the system they have in real-time and look at the model and make changes on it as they go," Peyghambarian told the briefing. Surgeons

around the world also could help in complex operations at the same time, he said.

To create the hologram, cameras take colour images at multiple angles and send them over an Ethernet line. Peyghambarian said it will be two years of working out issues, including improving the screen and reducing the system's power demands, before the technology will be available, and less than 10 years before it would be used in homes.

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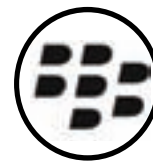


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— TANYA ENBERG, 24 HOURS

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McCallum nominated for MOP and MOC

Kicker Paul McCallum led the way for the B.C. Lions Wednesday, garnering CFL awards nominations as Most Outstanding Player and Most Outstanding Canadian. "I was surprised that I received it and it's an honour," said the veteran, who has made 42-of-47 field goals and scored 163 points. "It just shows the kind of season that we had when the kicker is getting this kind of award. But I'll take it." The Lions' best chance at taking home an award is linebacker Solomon Elimimian, who was given the nod for Outstanding Rookie after leading the team with 74 tackles. Rounding out the nominees: Nickleback Corey Banks as Outstanding Defensive Player, offensive lineman Jovan Olafioye as Outstanding Lineman and returner Yonus Davis as Outstanding Special Teams Player. East and West Division nominees will be announced on Nov. 11 while overall winners will be named on Nov. 25. — HOSEA CHEUNG



Roberto Luongo (left) will sit Thursday as backup Cory Schneider (right) gets the start in Colorado.

QMI AGENCY FILE PHOTO



New residency coach for Caps

BOB MACKIN—The Vancouver youth academy for two years Whitecaps lured Sparta and was technical director Rotterdam's technical director Richard Grootsholten for the last two. The 45-year-old will become the new head coach assisted by Craig Dalrymple, Steve Meadley and Martin Nash, who retired last week. The De Lier, Netherlands native coached Sparta's

Schneider gets Mile High call

TONIGHT
6 P.M. (SNET-VAN)



HOSEA CHEUNG
QMI Agency

As expected, Roberto Luongo will get a well-deserved rest Thursday.

After three straight wins, the Canucks goaltender takes a

seat to backup Cory Schneider when Vancouver closes out a two-game road trip in Colorado.

The decision doesn't come as a surprise considering Luongo started back-to-back games Monday in Vancouver and Tuesday in Edmonton.

The real head-scratcher at this point of the season, however, is how long it took for Schneider, who is 2-0, to finally get his first start away from

home.

Nevertheless, the rookie netminder will aim to keep his undefeated record intact after a couple of solid performances in which he's allowed just one goal apiece.

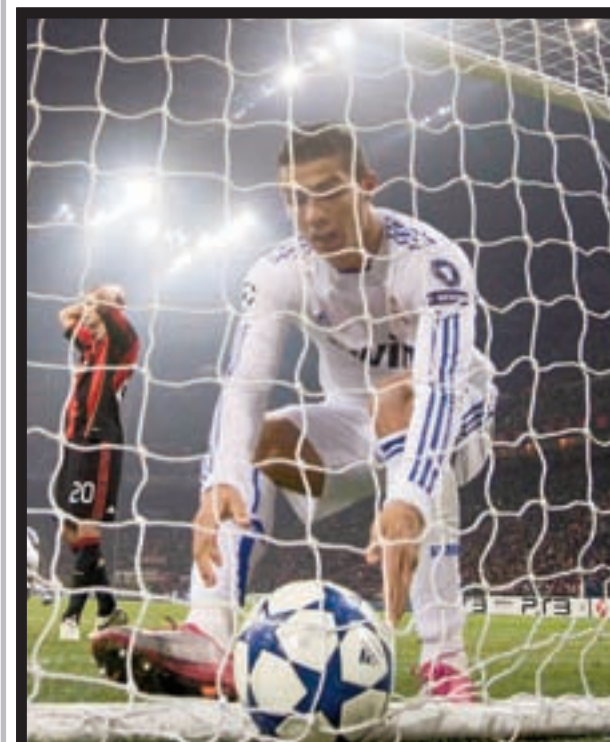
And with the Canucks coming off their first road win of the season, he'll be backstopping a team looking to improve on their subpar 1-3-1 road record while trying to keep their four-game winning streak alive.

LAST MEETING

Vancouver walked away with a 4-3 overtime win over the Avalanche last week, thanks to Mason Raymond's extra frame tally.

Expect Colorado, winners of two straight, to come out looking to redeem themselves and even the season series so far.

Peter Budaj gets the start in net for the home team with Craig Anderson still sidelined with a knee injury.



BACK OF THE NET

CHAMPIONS LEAGUE Real Madrid's Cristiano Ronaldo brings the ball from the net after teammate Pedro Leon scored in injury time against AC Milan during their Group G match in Milan Wednesday. The game ended in a 2-2 draw. — REUTERS

PHOTO ALESSANDRO BIANCHI

SURFER FOUND DEAD

DECEASED Three-time world surfing champion Andy Irons was found dead on Tuesday in a Dallas hotel room. The 32-year-old had been on his way home to Hawaii from a contest in Puerto Rico. The world's surfing media reported that Irons became sick during the Rip Curl Search contest in Puerto Rico this week and pulled out of the event. — REUTERS

DION OUT

INJURY Toronto Maple Leafs captain Dion Phaneuf will be out four to six weeks after sustaining what the NHL team called a "significant leg laceration" during Tuesday's game against the Ottawa Senators. The Maple Leafs said Wednesday he had successful surgery to repair the damage. Phaneuf injured his leg when he got tangled up with a Senators player and fell awkwardly to the ice. — QMI AGENCY

INDY TO COWTOWN?

RELOCATE Organizers of Edmonton's cancelled IndyCar event say they'd eagerly explore making at least a pit stop in Calgary next summer. After logistical and funding problems surrounding Edmonton's downtown track tanked the event there, Montreal-based Octane Racing Group spokesman Normand Prieur said they're determined to find a Western Canadian venue for next July. — QMI AGENCY

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MUSIC CITY MOSS

CLAIMED
The Tennessee Titans claimed seven-time Pro Bowler Randy Moss off waivers Wednesday, giving them a big-play wide receiver who will be expected to help the team return to the play-offs. Moss, who leads all active NFL players with 153 career touchdown receptions, was waived by the Minnesota Vikings earlier this week. The Titans, 5-3 this season and half a game behind the Indianapolis Colts in the AFC South, are entering their bye week and do not play until Nov. 14 at Miami. — **REUTERS**

SIMS DOCKED 50K

PUNISHED
The NFL fined Philadelphia Eagles linebacker Ernie Sims \$50,000 Wednesday for an incident in an Oct. 24 contest. Sims was docked for his actions toward Tennessee Titans receiver Lavelle Hawkins termed, as "unnecessarily striking a defenseless receiver in the neck and head area with his forearms," according to a league spokesman quoted in the *Philadelphia Inquirer*. — **REUTERS**



Who is the most unlikely Canuck to be added to the Ring of Honour?

Paul, the famous psychic octopus, recently passed away. What killed him?

If the Canucks get cheerleaders, what should their first cheer be?

What can the B.C. Lions offer the Roughriders as an incentive to beat Edmonton Saturday?

If recently-waived receiver Randy Moss were to actually interview himself, what question would he ask?



GUTS MCTAVISH
24 hours columnist

Mark Messier. I'm all for hoisting his jersey to the rafters assuming, of course, he's in it.

From everything I'm hearing, all the evidence points to autoerotic asphyxiation.

"2-4-6-8 who's the man we no longer hate - Andrewwww Alberts!"

A gift certificate good for one free mountain rental.

"How ridiculously sexy is Tom Brady?" As for Moss - no idea what he'd ask. (call me)



SULLY
Green man

Evgeny Namestnikov. Not only was he brutal, his name would take up half the ring.

He tried to outdrink Charlie Sheen.

An unplugged version of the 1987 hit "Whenever You Need Somebody", by Rick Astley.

A mountain or at least some type of gradual hill.

"Despite being dumped by Minnesota, are you still invited on the Mike Tice 'Love Boat'?"



TAYLOR JUKES
Virgin 95.3, weekdays 9-12 host

Rick Rypien! Instead of fan favourite, he's the favourite to fight fans.

Who knows ... but shouldn't he have seen it coming?

"2, 4, 6, 8, get Salo back on skates!"

Cheerleaders that don't have to wear parkas. Felions show skin!

"How many teams can I play for this season?"



COLIN JACK
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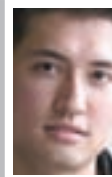
Donald Brashear - although he would make the Roxy Ring of Honour!

A Dutch soccer player armed with a deep fryer.

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13 watermelon helmets carved with the 2009 Grey Cup logo.

Question: "So Randy, what's next?" Answer: "No comment!"



HOSEA CHEUNG
24 hours reporter

Jan Bulis. Although I hear he's a favourite for the Ring of Shame inductions.

Indigestion. He overfed on mussels after the Germans tried to get him to predict every Bundesliga game.

Just to get Mikael Samuelsson going Team-Sweden style: "Give me an F, give me a U ..."

Coach Wally Buono will teach them how to count to 13, just in time for the playoffs.

"Have you seen a doctor yet for that foot-in-mouth disease?"

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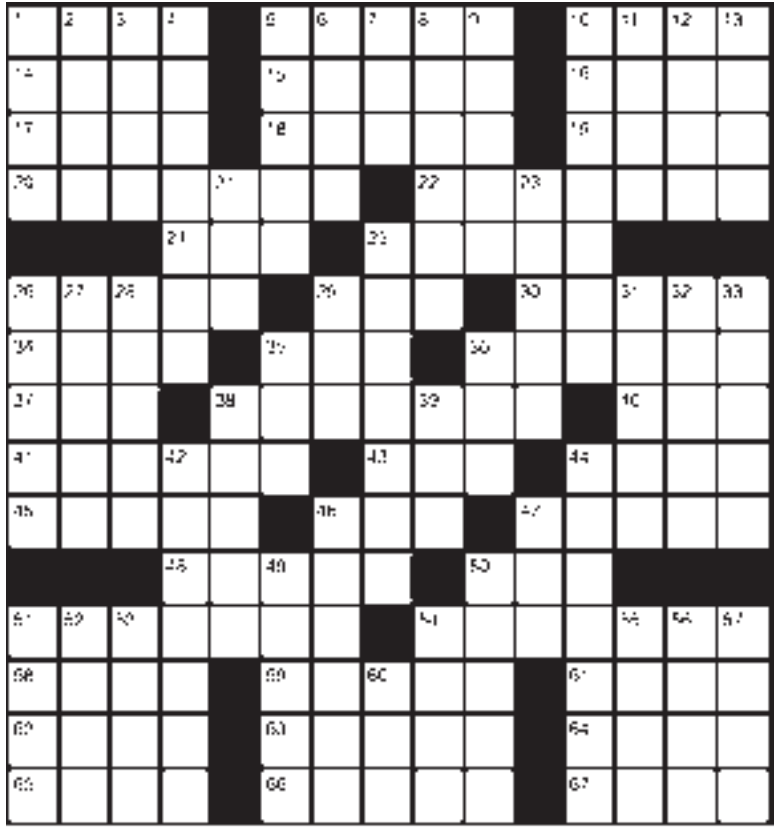
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 - 18 ___ for; selected
 - 19 Stuff; overfill
 - 20 Force into servitude
 - 22 Los Angeles baseball team
 - 24 Neckwear item
 - 25 Danger
 - 26 Relaxed
 - 29 Cot or crib
 - 30 Swerves
 - 34 In the distance
 - 35 White lie
 - 36 Bag carrier
 - 37 Acquired
 - 38 Takes tiny bites
 - 40 Recline
 - 41 Error remover
 - 43 Pickle jar topper
 - 44 Bouquet holder
 - 45 Landlord's collections
 - 46 Become firm
 - 47 Went out with
 - 48 Book of maps
 - 50 Feel miserable
 - 51 Not as smooth
 - 54 Like a school skirt, often
 - 58 "___ want for Christmas is my two front..."
 - 59 Nimble
 - 61 Memo
 - 62 Blueprint
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- 1 Hay bundle
 - 2 Middle East nation
 - 3 Play divisions
 - 4 Refuge
 - 5 Orchard
 - 6 Actress Lange
 - 7 Insurance co. employee
 - 8 Required
 - 9 Passion
 - 10 Squirmed
 - 11 Author ___ Stanley Gardner
 - 12 Rain hard
 - 13 Blasting substances, for short
 - 21 Assistance
 - 23 Shabby bars
 - 25 Small stones
 - 26 Raring to go
 - 27 Prior to, to Shakespeare
 - 28 Hell's ruler
 - 29 Overalls part
 - 31 Dazzling effect
 - 32 Poker term
 - 33 Drive too fast
 - 35 Evergreen
 - 36 ___ as a beet
 - 38 Bird homes
 - 39 "Diamond ___"
 - 42 Gazing
 - 44 Drapery topper
 - 46 Use mouthwash
 - 47 Perish



- 49 Minimum
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- 54 Scheme
- 55 Warty hopper
- 56 Sicilian volcano
- 57 ___ worthy; consider fit
- 60 Charged atom



LINDA BLACK
Horoscope
November 4, 2010

To get the advantage, check the day's rating:
10 is the easiest day, 0 the most challenging.

Today's birthday: Don't worry about a demanding partner. Listen to their words, while paying attention to the mood. What do they really want? Sometimes you just need to hear what's missing in order to transform challenges with respect and compassion.

ARIES
March 21 to April 19
You could easily obsess over a partner's injury or illness. It's OK to show concern and even better if you understand the treatment or meds completely.
Rating: ●●●●●●

LIBRA
September 23 to October 22
Huddle privately with your coworkers. More gets accomplished in private today. There's time later to go public, but first get consensus from the team.
Rating: ●●●●●●

TAURUS
April 20 to May 20
Your work environment contains a hazard that demands attention now. Repair flooring or carpet to prevent accidents. Reduce clutter to a minimum.
Rating: ●●●●●●

SCORPIO
October 23 to November 21
Finalize one more question before you present your ideas to the group. Consider the feelings of others as you add the finishing touch.
Rating: ●●●●●●

GEMINI
May 21 to June 20
An older person obsesses over creative details that don't quite come together. Don't force the pieces to fit together or you might break them.
Rating: ●●●●●●

SAGITTARIUS
November 22 to December 21
Family circumstances rearrange your schedule. Juggle new priorities and use spare moments to handle what you planned before.
Rating: ●●●●●●

CANCER
June 21 to July 22
Household matters demand your attention. You wonder how you'll get everything done and still manage your travel plans. Prioritize ruthlessly.
Rating: ●●●●●●

CAPRICORN
December 22 to January 19
A new face enters the picture, bringing heartfelt feelings and a deep understanding of your career goals. Expect big changes, and take time.
Rating: ●●●●●●

LEO
July 23 to August 22
You're ready to take off on a bold adventure into parts unknown. On a practical note, pack for the destination. Do laundry, and then decide if you need something new.
Rating: ●●●●●●

AQUARIUS
January 20 to February 18
Your finances alter when an older person reveals long-term arrangements. Allow this information to soak in before making any plans.
Rating: ●●●●●●

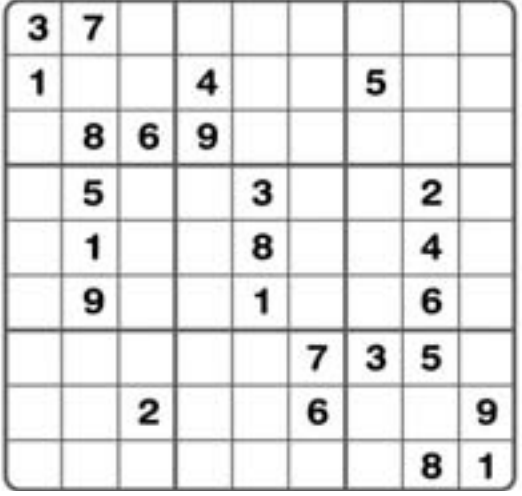
VIRGO
August 23 to September 22
Others add opinions to your situation. Listen, and then research the facts before you decide what to do. That way you have confidence in the choice.
Rating: ●●●●●●

PISCES
February 19 to March 20
Don't freak out! An older person presents a problem, but you grasp a solution with minimal difficulty. Rely on your own values and information.
Rating: ●●●●●●

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