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Nine years later

It's now been nine years since the minimum wage was frozen in B.C. In that time the province has moved to the bottom when it comes to minimum wage at \$8 per hour. That's not acceptable, according to NDP leader Carole James. "Our province has the shameful honour of having the lowest minimum wage in the country," she said. She backs the B.C. Federation of Labour's call to have the wage bumped to \$10 an hour.



Inquiry resumes

The Davies Commission of Inquiry into the death of Frank Paul resumes Wednesday as the Crown prosecutors who decided not to charge Vancouver police officers in the Aboriginal man's death are put on the stand to explain their choice. The unprecedented questioning begins with Gregory Fitch, the director of legal services at the Criminal Justice Branch, this week. Assistant Deputy Attorney General Robert Gillen and three Crown lawyers are scheduled to testify next week. — QMI AGENCY

Halloween blazes hit city

MATT KIELTYKA
QMI Agency

Halloween proved to be a costly one in Vancouver and had fire crews scrambling across the city.

Fire fighters responded to a potentially violent building blaze early Monday morning after a fireworks store near Commercial Drive and Venables burst into flame around 6 a.m.

Crews worked quickly to make sure the explosives inside didn't go off, though witnesses could hear some popping and crackling.

"As you can imagine, it had the potential to be volatile in there with ten of thousands of dollars worth of fireworks in-

side," said VPD spokesperson Const. Lindsey Houghton.

No one was injured during the fire.

The fire department and police are working together on the investigation, as the fire remains suspicious.

The incident marked the end of a busy Halloween night for fire fighters.

More than \$200,000 in damages (not counting the fireworks shop) had been tallied when all was said and done.

The most severe damage was done to John Henderson elementary school.

Houghton said someone had shot fireworks through the school's window and set off the sprinkler system inside.

A hose emits water outside a fireworks store that burst into flames near Commercial Drive and Venables early Monday morning. PHOTO CARMINE MARINELLI



MARITAL SCHEME

CBSA The Canadian Border Services Agency have arrested a former Surrey resident, Jotika Ashni Reddy, for allegedly marrying two men in Surrey in 2006 and Delta in 2008 despite already being married to a man. The CBSA alleges Reddy, now living in Edmonton, married the men to help them gain permanent resident status in Canada. She faces two charges under the Immigration and Refugee Protection Act and two charges of bigamy under the Criminal Code.

YOUTH STABBING

CHARGES A 13-year-old Vancouver boy is facing charges of assault with a weapon and assault causing bodily harm after allegedly stabbing a 12-year-old during a Halloween fracas. Vancouver police say the two boys started arguing while setting off fireworks at Moberly Park Sunday evening and escalated to physical contact. When the 12-year-old got home, he noticed he was bleeding and had a slash across his stomach.

SUSPECT SOUGHT

STABBED Vancouver cops are searching for a suspect after a 32-year-old was found slumped outside a Petro Canada gas station at Kingsway and Nanaimo early Monday bleeding profusely. The man was stabbed in the neck and was rushed to hospital. He's expected to make a full recovery. Police don't have any suspects, but say the incident isn't random.

GUARDIAN PROJECT

New project aims to protect women in DTES

MATT KIELTYKA
QMI Agency

Vancouver police made a big push Monday to dispel fears the department doesn't care about women in the Downtown Eastside.

The department — in cooperation with a number of community and women's groups — announced the Guardian Project to protect women in the impoverished neighbourhood.

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said. "Crime statistics in this area have never truly reflected the danger and jeopardy that women face. Whether it's fear of reprisal or fear of authority figures, women have traditionally been reluctant to report crimes against themselves and others."

The reality of that statement

came to a head Oct. 4, when the community rose up in protest over the death and investigation of Ashley Machiskinik.

Vancouver police initially believed her death — caused by a fall from a window — was a suicide but it is now being investigated as suspicious.

Many groups rallied outside the VPD's DTES office Oct. 4 and several protesters locked themselves inside the department, demanding to speak with Chu about the case.

A town hall followed and police have come back with the Guardian Project.

The multi-pronged approach offers a \$10,000 reward for information into Machiskinik's death, sets up a tip line for women who are victims of crime or reported violence against women and has the VPD committing to

regular town hall meetings with interest groups and the public in the DTES.

"It's all about new ways of thinking and how to work with the community and that's never happened with the Vancouver police department to this degree in the past," said Marlene George, who organizes the annual DTES missing women's march. "[The project] gives people the safety that they need to come forward."

A Guardian Project website has been set up at www.vpd.ca.



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NEWS, VIEWS & ATTITUDES

**Bill
Tieleman**

Political columnist

Shades of Iron Lady

It's a funny old world that here I have won a majority but feel I have to go.

- British Conservative Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher, 1990

Will Premier Gordon Campbell suffer the same fate as Thatcher – a dominant political leader forced out of office by her party despite winning a third majority government?

With *Global TV* reporting Sunday that an emergency caucus meeting has been called this week by B.C. Liberal MLA and whip John van Dongen, leadership revolt talk grows stronger daily.

The reasons are plentiful: Campbell's disastrous television address last week defending the Harmonized Sales Tax actually worsened his position, according to an Ipsos Reid poll.

It found only 11% of viewers had a better opinion of the premier after seeing it while 43% said their opinion had worsened.

Perhaps British Columbians were unimpressed with Campbell's surprise announcement of a 15% income tax cut because B.C. still has a deficit and the premier defends the HST because the province needed a one-time \$1.6 billion grant from Ottawa.

So where does he suddenly come up with the \$600-million-a-year for an income tax cut?

Then there's the surprise guilty plea bargain deal with former B.C. Liberal aides David Basi and Bob Virk in the B.C. Rail corruption trial that saw the government pay their \$6 million legal fees without trying to seize their property or future wages.

And a cabinet shuffle that angered one minister enough to publicly complain about Campbell's failure to consult his team.

It's reminiscent of Thatcher – the British "Iron Lady" – who won a decisive 1987 election victory but by 1990 trailed the opposition Labour Party by 14%, while her approval rating of 40% was second lowest of any post-war prime minister.

After initially fighting party challengers, Thatcher announced she would resign.

While less B.C.'s "Iron Man" than "Most Despised Man", Campbell won his third term in 2009 but today trails the New Democrats by between 9% and 25% while his personal approval rating has dropped to just 9% compared to 50% in March 2009.

And there's still a membership review vote on Campbell's leadership to announce at the party's Penticton convention November 19-20.

Should Campbell's numbers be embarrassing low, he could announce his departure as leader at the convention to avoid the results being made public.

Thatcher's resignation paved the way for John Major to become prime minister and then win another majority election victory over Kinnock in 1992.

Will Gordon Campbell read the political history lesson and try to save his party or will the stubborn premier force rebels to push him from office?

The next few weeks may tell the tale.

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More democracy down south

BOB MACKIN
QMI Agency

It's the first Tuesday of November again, so Washingtonians are voting on politicians and policy.

The state legislature is asking citizens whether people charged with murder or a propensity for extreme violence should be denied bail. Citizen initiatives include proposals to privatize liquor stores and end taxation of candy, bottled water and pop.

British Columbia voters, who get to vote next September on the Harmonized Sales Tax's fate, can only envy the direct democracy.

"The best way to illustrate that voters are on your side isn't a poll or letters to the editor," veteran Washington petitioner Tim Eyman told *24 hours*. "There's a public vote at an election where both sides make their case to the voters and the voters make the final decision. There's nothing that has a greater impact than that."

Over six months, Eyman attracted the required 320,000 signatures – eight per cent of votes cast in the last race for governor – to force a vote on whether tax increases should require a two-thirds majority in the state legislature. It took Eyman less than a month to meet the 1,800-signature quota to add a vote on ban-



U.S. President Barack Obama waves at a campaign rally for Democratic Senator Patty Murray (L) in Seattle, Washington in this Oct. 21 file photo. Democracy is stronger south of the border, suggests Fight HST's Chris Delaney. REUTERS PHOTO

ning photo radar and intersection cameras to the ballot in his hometown Mukilteo.

B.C.'s initiative law allows only 90 days to sign-up 10 percent of voters in all electoral districts. Ex-premier Bill Vander Zalm's historic Fight HST petition got

557,383 signatures and will be on the special Sept. 24, 2011 ballot. Voters won't have another similar opportunity until 2014.

Fight HST lead organizer Chris Delaney said a stronger initiative law would have forced the governing Liberals

– out of fear – to consult the public before announcing the HST.

"We need a B.C. constitution that says certain things must go to the people, like a major tax structural change," said Delaney, spokesman for the B.C. First party.

No suspects in Gastown shooting

MATT KIELTYKA
QMI Agency

Police no longer have any suspects in the brazen Gastown shooting that left four people injured Sunday.

Three people were shot and another was injured in the chest when a pair of gunmen opened fire on a group of innocent bystanders near the corner of Water and Richards Streets.

Two men were arrested within 20 minutes of the incident but Vancouver police spokesperson Const. Lindsey Houghton told media Monday they had been released after numerous witness interviews seemingly ruled them out as possible suspects.

"The initial information that

led to the arrest changed throughout the day," Houghton said. "The two men were released. [They're] no longer considered suspects."

Now investigators are back at square one and sifting through interviews and video surveillance to try to pin down a suspect in the incident.

"At this point, we have a lot more questions than answers," said Houghton.

Three of the victims have been released from hospital.

The fourth, a young woman, had surgery for a gunshot wound to her wrist and is recovering.

Houghton said she would require cosmetic surgery to repair the damage done to her hand and wrist.

FEEDBACK

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I RIDE THE TRAIN everyday and there is this lady who, in the middle of a jam-packed train, eats her breakfast. It's fine... it's a free country and she is entitled to whatever she wishes to do BUT she is not eating a sandwich or anything dry. It's soup! I'm so scared to stand next to her in case the train makes a sudden stop. God bless us all if this happens. Dear lady, please, for your safety and the safety of other commuters, leave your tin bowl at home or wait until you reach your destination. I'm sure you'll enjoy your soup better while sitting.

- Vinnie Velasco

THE RAPID CHANGES in computer technology are truly amazing and so seductive for curious minds. In spite of all the commercial hype, most young people develop good personal values while balancing their need to feel accepted by (some of) their peers. Given all the distracting influences, it is encouraging to see so many young men and women chart challenging courses toward their personal dreams and lifelong goals. In a world where 'bad-news-sells', the decent young people in our communities seldom get the recognition they deserve.

- Lloyd Atkins

Liberals slammed over health strategy

DHARM MAKWANA
QMI Agency

The B.C. government's 10-year plan to improve mental health outcomes and decrease substance abuse arrived two years too late, said the provincial health critic.

In Surrey, Health Minister Kevin Falcon and Children

and Family Development Minister Mary Polak Monday unveiled the roadmap that promises a 15 per cent decrease in the number of children who are socially and emotionally vulnerable by 2015, a 10 per cent drop in the number of students who smoke pot or drink before age

15 by 2014, and a 20 per cent increase in primary care physician administering interventions by 2015, among other initiatives.

All laudable initiatives, according to NDP-MLA Adrian Dix, who added policy that looks good on paper hasn't translated well in practice

under the Liberal government. "The previous mental health plan expired two years ago," he said. "It is a chasm between rhetoric and action with this government."

Dix pointed to funding cuts of West Coast Alternatives, an award-winning community health program, and a lack of

provincial response to the Vancouver Police Department's Lost in Transition on the challenges of balancing mental health and law enforcement as examples of government's track record.

"One goal that they failed on is producing this report on time," he began. "Another goal

they failed on is cutting the very services this plan recommends.

"The fact this government, which has lost credibility, is making claims on what its going to achieve in 2015 is OK, but I think their actions undermine their commitment."

Dog calendar for charity

MATT KIELTYKA
QMI Agency

Look out fire fighters, the Vancouver police department is rolling out a calendar of its own.

The sex appeal may not be there, but there will be no shortage of cute on display as the department's dog squad is put into the limelight in support of the B.C. Cancer Foundation and the B.C. Children's Hospital Foundation.

Since the calendar is put together on a volunteer basis and outlets are doing the

same, 100 per cent of the \$15 calendar proceeds go directly to the charities.

The calendars are now available for purchase at all Tisol locations, the VPD headquarters at 2120 Cambie St., Vancouver Police Museum, the Animal Care Clinic at 2303 Alberta St., the B.C. Cancer Foundation at 600 W. 10th Avenue and the B.C. Children's Hospital Foundation at 938 W. 28th Avenue.

They're also available online through the VPD and B.C. Cancer Foundation.



(L) Cst. Dan Ames and (R) Sgt. Barry Cooke with police dog Shack during a press conference to unveil the 2011 police dog calendar.
PHOTO CARMINE MARINELLI

AIDS far from over: Advocate

DHARM MAKWANA
QMI Agency

The AIDS epidemic is far from over, said the executive director of AIDS Vancouver.

Brian Chittock made his point Monday when joining Mayor Gregor Robertson to launch the We Care Red Ribbon Campaign, a public awareness effort to promote safe-sex practices and shed light on "a stigma of silence."

"People think the epidemic is finished, it's over, if I get HIV I can still live a healthy life," Chittock said. "Well, that's not exactly true.

"Not everyone can qualify to get on the right medications. People are still dying from it."

He added HIV/AIDS transmission rates have decreased within the intravenous drug user population because of clean needle programs but other groups remain at risk.

"Right now we're still seeing younger men who have sex with men with an increased infection rate in Vancouver and that's proven through B.C. Centre for Disease Control reports," he said.

The Red Ribbon Campaign features four weeks of programming including film nights and panel discussions.

VANOC

Olympic committee nearing its end

BOB MACKIN
QMI Agency

Vancouver's rapidly disappearing 2010 Winter Olympics organization has come full-circle.

VANOC employed 1,500 full-timers at its peak but only two are left to wind down operations within the 375 Water St. offices of the Twentyten Group, ex-vice-

president Andrea Shaw's marketing firm. The Vancouver 2010 Bid Corporation was located in the same Gastown heritage building when the International Olympic Committee chose Vancouver in 2003.

Vice-president of communications Renee Smith-Valade refused to disclose where VANOC was moving

before its five-month, rent-free extension expired Sunday at the city-owned 3585 Graveley St. tower.

Documents obtained by QMI show Vancouver city hall paid VANOC \$29,120 on March 11 and \$2,392,320 on May 4 for used furniture and Internet technology equipment originally worth \$9.1 million.

The \$310,000 IT portion was included in an omnibus June 22 council report on capital expenditures. The rest of the transaction was kept secret until QMI obtained a Jan. 8 in camera staff report and Jan. 31 contract last month via Freedom of Information.

"We didn't handle the details of that," Mayor Gregor

Robertson said Monday. "We delegate issues like that to staff for decision. It looks like a good one in terms of the savings."

City hall is spending \$10.3 million to convert VANOC's former premises into the new Vancouver Police headquarters, but tenants Morrison Hershfield engineering and Garda Security will remain.



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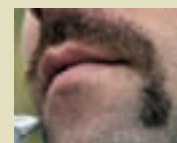
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OVERHEARD

An **iPhone alarm glitch** caused many European users to be late for work Monday as their device did not compensate for an hour of Daylight Savings Time.

November is back and so is the campaign to grow a 'mo' or moustache to raise awareness of prostate cancer.



3 Randy Moss was waived of his duties with the Minnesota Vikings Monday — after just four games since arriving from the Patriots.

GOOD NEWS

LIGHTER SPARKS AMAZING TALE

A young man who was stranded in a frigid forest with no food says he would be dead today if not for a lighter that he would normally have left at home. Hunting and fishing shop owner Real Thivierge Jr. says a motocross trip took a turn for the worst last week when he was travelling about 500 km northeast of Montreal and lost control of his bike and fell to one side. "I heard the sound of my knee giving way," said Thivierge. He made a makeshift splint then walked for several hours, but in the wrong direction. As night fell, he found his lighter made a fire and stayed warm until hunters found him the next day. — QMI AGENCY

WEIRD NEWS



EXPLOSIVE UNDERWEAR A model displays a bra made of firecrackers at a fashion institute as part of Diwali celebrations at Noida in the northern India Monday. Diwali, the festival of lights, will be celebrated across the country Nov. 5. We're hoping this model isn't a smoker. — REUTERS

ACTOR PLAYING GUNMAN KILLED IN CASE OF MISTAKEN IDENTITY

A night watchman in the Philippines claims he was just doing his job when he shot and killed an actor on a movie set Saturday night. Police said Eddie Cuizon, 52, a watchman in Cebu, fatally shot Filipino actor Kirk Abella, 32, who was sporting a mask and a fake gun for a film shoot. Abella was working on the set of *Going Somewhere*, a film by British director Alan Lyddiard. He was riding away on a motorcycle for the closing scene when he was shot. The Filipino newspaper *Diario* re-

ports Cuizon, 52, told police he was responding to calls from concerned citizens about armed men on motorcycles. He said he spotted two men on motorcycles and took off after them. The newspaper says Cuizon told police he shot Abella after he brandished his gun, which turned out to be plastic. *Diario* reports that armed men on motorcycles have been linked to several recent murders in the country. Cuizon faces charges of homicide and violation of a gun ban. — QMI AGENCY

TWITTERTRENDS

#conanshowzero: The Canadian Twitter-sphere was abuzz over Conan O'Brien Monday. Conan-less TV is nearing an end with his upcoming show, but Team Coco lovers got a preview of Conan O'Brien's *Show Zero* streamed online last night.

Canada's Top 3

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STREET TALK

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Moustache denial

A person's lack of acknowledgment they have excess facial hair above the lip.

Every month is November for Johnny. He rocks a 'stache at 5 p.m. each day in total moustache denial.

ECO

Research targeting earthy organization

Call it a DNA digital Dewey Decimal System for all life on Earth. Every species, from extinct to thriving, is set to get its own DNA barcode in an attempt to better track the ones that are endangered, as well as those being shipped across international borders as food or consumer products. Researchers from the International Barcode of Life Project hope handheld devices will be able to one day read these digital strips to identify different species. — REUTERS

BY THE NUMBERS



400,000

The number of stems from the flowers of *crocus sativus* needed to make up a kilo of saffron, which retails at about US\$14,000. Above, stigmas are extracted during the saffron harvest in the central Spanish village of Consuegra. — REUTERS

Vancouver Weather The Weather Network

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Police tear gas breaks up post-election violence

REUTERS — Tanzanian police used tear gas to disperse opposition supporters in the commercial capital on Monday as tension rose due to delays in releasing the results of Sunday's presidential and parliamentary elections. The protesters in Dar es

Salaam were angry at the outcome of a council election run alongside Sunday's national votes that are expected to give President Jakaya Kikwete another five years at the helm of east Africa's second largest economy. "The situation is tense ... I

have received reports that police have used tear gas in Mwanza, Arusha and Dar es Salaam. People are restless because they want the results to be made public," said Mwesiga Baregu, Chadema campaign manager. "The situation is bad. We

have reached a point where we might see bloodshed, just like what happened in Kenya when the election results were delayed." Violence erupted after Kenya's 2007 election following delays in releasing results and accusations that the in-

cumbent Mwai Kibkai had stolen the vote. Police said they used water cannons and tear gas to disperse the crowds outside a polling station in Dar es Salaam. "Riot police were called in after crowds burnt tyres on the

road and damaged at least one vehicle at Tandika area in Dar es Salaam," Temeke Regional Police Commander David Miseme told reporters on Monday. "At least 15 people were arrested. No injuries have been reported so far."



world tour

LONDON **IRON LADY** **OUT OF HOSPITAL**

5 Former British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher left hospital on Monday nearly two weeks after being admitted for tests related to a flu illness. Thatcher, a Conservative who served as prime minister from 1979 to 1990, was admitted to a London hospital on Oct. 19 after failing to shake off a bout of flu. Standing on the doorstep of her London home, she appeared frail but she nevertheless waved at waiting photographers. Britain's only female prime minister, she led her country in a war against Argentina over the Falkland Islands in 1982 and was close to the late U.S. President Ronald Reagan. — **REUTERS**

SEOUL **BORBER BATTLE LIKELY** **AN ACCIDENT: MINISTER**

2 An exchange of gunfire across the heavily armed border between the two Koreas last week was likely an accident and not a deliberate provocation by the prickly North, a top lawmaker and former army general said on Monday. Hwang Jin-ha, who sits on parliament's intelligence and North Korea committees, said Friday's skirmish was probably unintentional. — **REUTERS**

REYKJAVIK **FRESH VOLCANO FEARS**

3 Meltwater is flooding from the Grimsvotn glacial lake in Iceland and could signal the volcano underneath is about to erupt, a spokeswoman at the Icelandic Civil Protection Department said on Monday. Water now pouring from Iceland's biggest glacier, Vatnajokull, which sits on top of a number of volcanic hotspots, could be a sign of fresh geological activity, Civil Protection Department spokeswoman Gudrun Johannesdottir said. — **REUTERS**

ISTANBUL **OUTLAW PARTY** **DENIES BOMBING**

4 The outlawed Kurdistan Workers Party (PKK) on Monday denied responsibility for a suicide bomb attack in Istanbul that wounded 32 people and said they were extending a ceasefire until Turkey's general elections in 2011. "There is no way we would be involved in such an attack on a day our organisation was getting ready for a step towards peace," the PKK said in a statement. — **REUTERS**

AFGHANISTAN **ON THE FRONT LINES**

1 SSgt. Ysidro Gonzalez, from the 1st Battalion 8th Marines Alpha Company shouts orders while under fire from Taliban insurgents during a gun battle in the town of Nabuk in southern Afghanistan's Helmand province, on Monday. Meanwhile, a large number of insurgents attacked and seized Khogyani district of Ghazni province. Afghan police later retook the district. — **REUTERS**

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JULIA LOUIS-DREYFUS EYES POLITICAL COMEDY

Seinfeld veteran Julia Louis-Dreyfus is in talks to star as the American vice president in a political comedy being developed at HBO. *Veep*, from Scottish satirist Armando Iannucci, follows a U.S. senator who becomes vice president and finds the job is "nothing like she expected and everything everyone ever warned about," HBO said.

— REUTERS

Bieber airbrushed?

The editors of a magazine behind a controversial new Justin Bieber photoshoot have denied they airbrushed images to make it look as if the singer was wearing eyeliner. The cover of Brazilian teen magazine *Toda Teen* emerged online last week and sparked fury among the singer's young fans, who feared the *Baby* hit-maker had fallen victim to over-zealous digital re-touching. But bosses at the publication have now spoken out to deny they drastically altered Bieber's features. In other news, the teen's female fans are set for a shock — he's secretly dating fellow teen sensation Demi Lovato, according to a U.S. report. *Life & Style* reported the singer, 16, is dating 18-year-old *Camp Rock* actress Lovato after they were spotted kissing. — WENN.COM



LOHAN LAUGHS OFF WOES IN NEW SKIT

Lindsay Lohan is refusing to let her personal problems get her down — she's poked fun at herself in an online skit for Will Ferrell's Funny Or Die website. The 24-year-old *Mean Girls* star has been in and out of jail and rehab this year and is currently serving a three-month stint at California's Betty Ford Clinic after failing two court-ordered drug tests. Lohan's recent probation report stated the actress fears she will be unable to pay the

US\$53,000 fees for her rehabilitation because she "can not afford" it.

— REUTERS

buzz

Allen miscarries again

British pop star Lily Allen has suffered a miscarriage. The *Smile* singer, who was around six months pregnant by her boyfriend Sam Cooper, was admitted to hospital on Thursday morning after complaining of stomach pains. The 25-year-old spent the weekend being treated by doctors, but efforts to save her baby tragically failed, according to British newspaper *The Sun*. A statement from the star's representative confirms the news: "It is with great sadness that we have to confirm that Lily Allen and Sam Cooper have lost their baby. "The couple ask that their privacy be respected and that they be left alone at this deeply distressing time." Allen previously suffered a miscarriage in 2008 just months after she announced she was expecting a baby with Chemical Brothers star Ed Simmons. — WENN.COM



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Kate Nash at the Commodore Ballroom

British music sensation Kate Nash is coming to the Commodore Ballroom Wednesday night to perform tracks off her recently released second album, *My Best Friend Is You*. The redheaded singer-songwriter has charmed audiences in her home country with hit singles *Foundations* and *Do-Wah-Do*. Tickets available at livenation.com — 24 HOURS



No more Big Love as cable series nears end

Big Love's fifth season, which debuts on Jan. 16, will be the last for the Emmy-nominated polygamy drama. The *Big Love* cancellation comes on the heels of TLC wrapping up the successful first season of its headline-making real-life polygamy show, *Sister Wives*, which has been renewed for another season. — REUTERS

ACTRESS PORTRAYS CIA OPERATIVE VALERIE PLAME IN FAIR GAME, OPPOSITE SEAN PENN

Watts forced to 'toughen up'

Naomi Watts stars in *Fair Game*, in select Canadian theatres this Friday.



MARIE-JOELLE PARENT
QMi Agency

Seven years after famously being revealed as an undercover CIA operative, Valerie Plame's story is hitting the big screen.

Naomi Watts plays the blue-eyed, blond spy in director Doug Liman's new political thriller, *Fair Game*.

The 42-year-old actress was Liman's top pick to play the secret agent, he told reporters at a New York news conference to promote the film, which opens in select Canadian cities on Friday.

But Watts, busy with her newborn baby, wasn't keen on taking on a new role. Then the script, by screenwriter friend Jezz Butterworth, landed on her doorstep.

"Of course, he was smart," said the actress. "You couldn't just read 10 pages of that script."

In fact, she read it in one sitting.

"Ten days later she was in my office, nursing her child," said Liman (*The Bourne Identity*, *Mr & Mrs Smith*), recounting how he asked whether he should leave the room.

"We're going to do a movie together so you better get used to it," Watts had replied.

But Liman thought the star wasn't ready to play Plame's tough-cookie character.

"She was way too soft and maternal," he said. And so he sent the actress to a real CIA training centre in Virginia to toughen her up.

"I rammed cars without a seat belt or helmet," Watts recalled. "I set off explosives. As I walked in, they kicked me in the shins and threw me on the ground."

When she said 'Ouch' she was told she better not say it again unless she was hurt enough to need to go to hospital.

"There is one thing (I did) I'm not even allowed to talk about," she admitted about her time at the spy boot camp.

But the harsh treatment seemed to work. "She came back from it, it was night and day," Liman said.

"So don't mess with me," Watts chimed in.

Plame made headlines when she was exposed as a spy in a 2003 media leak. The Plame Affair eventually led to the trial and conviction of Lewis (Scooter) Libby, a former chief of staff to then U.S. vice president Dick Cheney.

The 47-year-old spy had been working for the CIA for 18 years and was in charge of a probe into possible weapons of mass destruction hidden in Iraq. Meanwhile, her husband, diplomat Joe Wilson (Sean Penn), was waging a war of words against the Bush administration. In a 2003 editorial in the *New York Times*, Wilson accused Washington of manipulating his intelligence reports debunking the theory Iraq was seeking nuclear materials in Africa. Wilson claimed the government was using the reports to justify the invasion.

Soon after, Plame's identity was leaked to the media, allegedly by senior administration officials. The ensuing scandal ended her career and destroyed her personal life.

Liman found Plame's story fascinating. "She (was one of) the most secret employees of the CIA," said the filmmaker. "Millions are spent crafting their covert identities. They take their secrets to the grave, they save lives and countries but never brag about it. It's almost a monk's existence."

Watts didn't have much time to research the character she was playing and said she was leery around Plame, who worked as a consultant for the film. But the two women are still in touch and Plame and Wilson walked the red carpet at the film's New York premiere.



JUDDS, O'NEALS GET REALITY SHOWS

OPRAH NETWORK

Country music stars Naomi and Wynonna Judd, and father-daughter actors Ryan and Tatum O'Neal, are both getting their own reality TV shows on the upcoming Oprah Winfrey Network (OWN) cable channel next year. OWN announced the two shows on Monday as the cable TV venture jointly owned by the TV talk show host readies for its Jan. 1 launch with an array of original series and lifestyle shows — and lots more of Winfrey herself. — REUTERS

ISRAEL'S WAGNER BAN DIMS

GERMANY An Israeli orchestra will stike an emotional chord in Germany next year when it plays a work by Richard Wagner, Hitler's favourite composer, further challenging a long-standing taboo in Israel on his music. Israeli ensembles hardly ever play Wagner, citing the feelings of Holocaust survivors. Opposition in the Jewish state to the works of the anti-Semitic 19th-century composer is fading, Israel Chamber Orchestra chairwoman Erela Talmi said. — REUTERS

KID CUDI PICKS ROCK OVER RAP

MTV Rapper Kid Cudi is launching a rock career - because he no longer feels "passionate" about writing hip-hop songs. The *Day 'N Nite* hitmaker is turning his attention to rock because he doesn't feel fulfilled writing rap verses. He tells MTV.com, "I'm just over rapping ... that's why you never really hear me on Kanye (West) joints like that." — WENN.COM



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interview

Elvis Costello has the workin' man blues. Granted, his paycheck has a few more zeroes than yours and mine. He's more or less his own boss. And at the end of his shift, he goes home to Diana Krall. But that doesn't deter the singer-songwriter from identifying with the common man — or from lambasting Wall Street wolves — on his latest CD *National Ransom*. The 56-year-old spoke to us from Vancouver where he lives with Krall and their twins. — DARRYL STERDAN, QMI AGENCY

QMI: What's the message behind *National Ransom*?

I don't know about you, but I've worked every day of my life since I left school and somebody else profits from it. Obviously, I've made a pretty good living. But I've earned my money. I don't apologize for it. I don't do it at anybody else's expense. And I can't say that's necessarily true of

some of the people that are referred to in *National Ransom*. But really, it's not me saying anything different than Merle Haggard's *Working Man Blues*. It's the same message, you know: We persevere.

QMI: If I've got my math right, this is your 30th studio album in 34 years. Which begs the question: When are you going to stop loafing around?

Yes, I know! (Laughs) It's a dirty job, but somebody's got to do it.

QMI: Many of the new songs are set musically or lyrically in '20s and '30s. What about that era appeals to you?

I just like the little structures you can use. I'm not going to make any claims to it being rigidly authentic. I think you can hear the playfulness with it. I like the idea that we're not wedded to the notion of rock 'n' roll in leather trousers and teased-up hair. There's other kinds of rock 'n' roll too, you know. I think it's good to remember that.

QMI: You've remained very prolific at an age where many songwriters lose touch with the muse. What's your secret?

I suppose certain people would give you different views of whether I was connected with it or not, depending on how much they like my last recording — or my last 12 recordings. (Laughs) I love people telling me how great my early records were, when they were mostly roundly ignored. But I never have really done anything out of routine. And I sort of feel like I can do it with much more freedom because I have access to a lot of different music and different techniques.

QMI: Are you doing another season of *Spectacle*?

At the moment it's in suspended animation. The most important thing is that having done 20 episodes, I'm happy with what we did. We had a great variety of people. And we came very close to getting a couple of people that would have been fantastic, but just at the last minute something happened. So I'm grateful for the opportunities that gave to me.

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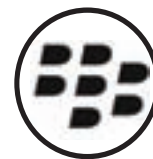


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television

NCIS

8 p.m. on CBS
He may have been joking, but they're not laughing. A marine who was fond of playing pranks is found dead the night before Halloween. As Gibbs (Mark Harmon) and the team investigate, they suspect his murder might have been retaliation for his practical joking. Ziva (Cote de Pablo) attempts to adjust to her new role as a full-fledged NCIS agent in *Code of Conduct*.

THE BIGGEST LOSER

8 p.m. on CITY
Fall in, you maggots! This new episode takes the contestants to Camp Pendleton to train like U.S. Marines — obstacle courses, rifle exercises, hikes with oversize backpacks and all. While some falter under the pressure, others get into it, with one even shaving his head to look the part.

GLEE

8 p.m. on FOX, GLOBAL
The choir room is vandalized, and Sue (Jane Lynch) reveals that it was the work of rival club Vocal Adrenaline, whom she let into the building. The glee club members vow to get revenge but take things a little too far. Will (Matthew Morrison), however, discovers a way to beat the rival club legitimately: by putting on a performance high on funk — a style VA doesn't do well. Lea Michele and Chris Colfer also star in *Funk*.



NCIS: LOS ANGELES

9 p.m. on CBS, GLOBAL
The search for a large amount of cash believed to have been stolen by a group called the Jihadist Raiders Front leads the agents to a bank where the money has allegedly been moved ... and a plot to rob that bank. Kensi (Daniela Ruah) is sent into the bank to investigate, and she's caught in the crossfire when the robbery unfolds in the new episode *The Bank Job*.

TV TUESDAY

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Putting the clocks back bad for us: Scientists

Putting the clocks back in winter is bad for health, wastes energy and increases pollution, scientists say, and putting an end to the practice in northern areas could bring major health and environmental benefits. British and Russian politicians are being asked to consider parliamentary bills to leave clocks alone, allowing an extra hour of daylight in the afternoon to boost levels of vitamin D and encourage people to exercise. — REUTERS

MAKING ENDS MEET

Become the CFO of 'You Co.'

TANYA ENBERG
24 hours

Christina Quinn runs her household much like a CEO operates an independent business. Quinn's business-style approach to earning and living inspired her to write *Wake Up or Die Poor*, a user-friendly guide that helps turn so-called disposable income into money-making revenue.

"Every business in the country considers their revenue valuable," explains Quinn. "Companies have a chief financial officer; they track their revenue; they categorize it into

cost centres and make purchasing and financing decisions based on simple calculations made with real data. Our salary is just as valuable. We have fixed expenses — mortgage, transport, toiletries — and variable — groceries, entertainment, miscellaneous — just like Google, Microsoft or Joe's Convenience."

Quinn says like any smartly run business, having a solid action plan is a must. "We need to plan for expansion, getting married, having babies, and we need to manage change, home and car purchases, job losses, career moves," she explains.

"We work so hard for our money, why should it be labelled disposable? So that's what the Quinn-Co. method is — becoming the CFO of Your Co. and making decisions about your hard-earned revenue with real data."

One major hurdle is learning to discuss money, she says.

"As Canadians, we will absolutely never discuss how much money we earn or what kind of debt load we carry," she says. "We'll listen to a detailed depiction of a girlfriend's 24-hour labour and delivery, or little Johnny's learning disability, but debt and salaries are off the table."

"Just like discussing a great recipe or a technique to help a child learn, the only way to achieve our financial goals is to get real, and to get real num-

bers out into the open."

Stamping out frivolous spending and prioritizing is key but so is abolishing the urge to try and "keep up with the Joneses."

"The CFO of Google doesn't let his mom influence his financial decisions. Once you become aware of what you truly want for yourself and your family ... it's freedom, really."



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Green sheen is hip

Nail polish is another personal care product that's full of not so great things like toluene, dibutyl phthalate, formaldehyde, acetone and heavy metals. But not Hopscotch Kids Water Colors Safe Nail Polish, which was developed by Ginny Cardenas, a mother of four, who wanted a healthier alternative for painting her tots' fingers and toes. It's also non-toxic, hypoallergenic, eco-friendly and 100% biodegradable and super fun, coming in a range of colours from Red Rover (top right) to Three Sailors Went to Sea, Sea, Sea (below, right). And Hopscotch stands up to the kid test. It goes on smoothly, dries fast and wears well. In fact, you may end up using it on your toes as well, or at least checking out Scotch Naturals, their equally eco-friendly line for mamas. Visit raspberryykids.com.

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Four tips to save cash

- Don't be afraid of using reward credit cards if you can pay the balance in full each month.
- Want to invest? Open up a new savings account? Do your research first and compare banks.
- If you carry debt, negotiate with your creditors for lower interest rates.
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Flying direct with WestJet

WestJet Vacations has announced new direct-flight destinations for winter 2010-2011. The airline will now fly direct to Santa Clara, Cuba and Grand Cayman Island from Toronto, direct from Vancouver, Calgary, Edmonton, Winnipeg, Saskatoon, Regina and Montreal to Montego Bay, Jamaica, and direct from Montreal and Calgary to Varadero, Cuba. Fares start at \$219, while seven day vacation packages start at \$819. Visit WestJetVacations.com. — QMI AGENCY

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But if you want an upscale stay that's more old-world European than madcap take on *Alice in Wonderland* — and money is no object — why not stay at Gianni's place.

As in Gianni Versace. The Italian fashion icon put SoBe on the map when he bought Casa Casuarina in the 1990s and turned it into his own private oasis by the sea.

Built in 1930, the modern adaptation of Christopher Columbus' family home in Santo Domingo was given splashes of Versace's flamboy-



The pool partly tiled in 24-karat gold, sports a floor mosaic that depicts Versace's iconic Medusa head design.

MARK DANIELL, QMI AGENCY

ant design when he added a gold-tiled mosaic pool, statues to reflect all the world's religions, ornately designed fountains and 10 exquisitely designed suites that housed some

of the designer's famous friends (both Madonna and Elton John had rooms just for them when they visited) and siblings.

If you were an up-and-

comer during the mid-'90s, 1116 Ocean Dr. was the place to see and be seen. The party came to an end in 1997 after Versace was murdered at his front gate. For many years

after, the mansion was closed, becoming a spot where the morbidly curious would gather every day to snap photos.

After its brief usage as a spe-

cial events venue, the Versace Mansion has been reconceived as a boutique hotel right in the heart of South Beach.

Launched by restaurateur, Barton G. Weiss, it is now known as the Villa by Barton G. and offers five-star luxury a stone's throw from the Atlantic. Smack dab in the middle of Miami's heady party scene, hotel guests never have to leave the Mediterranean-style oasis, where suites start at \$2,500 per night.

Personally assigned butlers wait on guests 24/7 arranging for everything from a Kindle loaded with e-books, to serving lunch and laying out pyjamas. And if you want to do the beach thing, your very own Mr. Belvedere will hop across Ocean Drive and set you up with a lounge chair and umbrella.

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2 Swim, surf or just splash around with the Canon PowerShot D10 12.1 MP Waterproof Digital Camera with 3x Optical Image from Canon. Price unavailable.

3 Seal up your valuables with these protective storage bags from Loksak. These durable baggies keep your dry goods (think books, toiletries, Passport and electronics) free of water, sand and dust. Suggested price, about \$10 for a four-bag set.

4 Can't afford a snazzy underwater camera? The Aquapac Compact Camera Case (about \$35) is a great money-saving alternative that allows you to still get those watery action shots. Slip in your camera and get snapping!

Avoiding bedbugs in your travels

NICOLE FEENSTRA
QMI Agency

These blood-sucking insects travel quickly and are quite content setting up a home in your bed, couch or clothing. The frequency with which people visit hotels, fly or cruise has played a large part in the spread of bedbugs, allowing these creatures to reach near epidemic proportions this year.

Nicole Hockin of Hotels.com and author of the Travel Smart blog (travelsmartblog.com) has several tips to help travellers identify any bedbugs in their rooms, as well as hints that will keep them from hitching a ride back home.

- Keep your luggage off the floor. Place it on a desk or luggage rack under light instead. "Bedbugs don't like the light so they hide in dark areas," Hockin says.

- Examine your hotel room's sheets and mattresses for evidence of these pests when you arrive. Look for blood spots, white eggs and the bugs — alive or dead.

- Check up on the hotel before you book! Websites like TripAdvisor.com and Hotels.com offer guest reviews.

- Wash all clothing brought on your trip in hot water and dry on maximum heat as soon as you get home. This will "kill any unwanted hitchhikers," says Hockin.

For more on how bedbug infestations occur and how you can survive one, visit the Travel Smart blog.

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10 things to do on second trip to NYC

NATALIE TAYLOR
TripAtlas

The first landing into New York City presents a dizzying array of activities that tends to produce self-inflicted to-do lists: Statue of Liberty, Broadway, Empire State Building, Rockefeller Center, the Chrysler Building, Museum Mile, Central Park, Wall Street, and of course shopping and dining at a multitude of stores and restaurants. Will you be able to do everything? See everything? Is it ever enough?

Here are a few suggestions of things to see and do on subsequent trips back to the city that never sleeps:

1 Visit a lesser-known museum The Met, Guggenheim and MOMA are cultural icons, but smaller museums give insight into other subcultures or less-known aspects of the art world.

2 Bridge the gap The Manhattan Bridge, ugly stepsister to the Brooklyn Bridge's Cinderella, doesn't ignite much discussion, as noted by Robert Reid, Lonely Planet author and host of *The 76-Second Travel Show*, who decided to give the bridge some fanfare by celebrating its 100th anniversary last year.

3 Find a Mission On my last trip to New York, I inquired where my friend got her beautiful Sari-inspired shirt, which led me to New York's Little India. I had no idea of the

cornucopia of Indian restaurants and shops.

4 Ninja restaurant in Tribeca, its not everyday that your waiter performs magic tricks table-side dressed in a ninja outfit.

5 Hang out in a hotel Manhattan boasts close to 426 hotels alone. The Ace Hotel's lobby is a work of art and its bar, the Breslin, is where trendsetters congregate.

6 Attend an event During Fashion Week, maybe you can peep on Kelly Cutrone cackling profanities at her minions; or admire swing dancers jumping, jiving and wailing at *A Midsummer Night's Swing* at Lincoln Centre.

7 Go to another borough. Everyone thinks Manhattan is the cat's meow, but its the boroughs that purr with a cornucopia of activity. Brooklyn has trendy restaurants. Prospect Park is an ideal place to picnic. The Queens Museum of Art features the Panorama, a replica of every single building (895,000) built prior to 1992.

8 Do Nothing Do nothing In the city that never sleeps, it can be hard to turn off. That being said, leisurely strolling around different neighbourhoods like the Lower East Side with no map in hand and seeing what happens can be just as exhilarating

as the *Amazing Race*-like whirlwind adventure you planned six months in advance.

9 Underground culture New York is the easiest place to find counter culture. One way to find it is to listen to a poetry slam.

10 Eat out of a food truck Street food has expanded beyond the typical shoddy hot dog and bagel carts to

ethnic fare from tacos, dumplings and schnitzel. These cheap delights have become so popular, the awards ceremony "The Vendy Awards" has been dedicated to them.

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HOCKEY hotspot**Luongo stonewalls Devils****HOSEA CHEUNG**
QMI Agency

Chalk another one up for Roberto Luongo.

After outplaying fellow Canadian Martin Brodeur for the No. 1 goaltending job during the Winter Olympics in February, the Canucks netminder came out on top yet again, this time in a 3-0 win over the New Jersey Devils Monday at Rogers Arena.

Luongo's 30-save shutout effort – the 52nd of his career – gives Vancouver their fifth straight win at home, improving to 5-0-1.

His counterpart Brodeur, who finished with 20 saves, was hardly to blame on either of the three goals against.

The first saw defenceman Matt Taormina slip behind the Devils' net, resulting in a turnover which led to Raffi Torres' third of season. The Devils rookie was victimized again on Vancouver's second goal when he failed to contain



CANUCKS VS DEVILS New Jersey Devils goalie Martin Brodeur (L) knocks the puck away from Vancouver Canucks Henrik Sedin during the first period of their NHL hockey game at Rogers Arena. PHOTO REUTERS

Ryan Kesler in front of the net, allowing the Canucks centre to finish his own rebound.

Henrik Sedin capped off the scoring with his first of the

season on a penalty shot in the third after being tripped on a breakaway by Colin White.

Daniel Sedin failed to record a point Monday, ending his

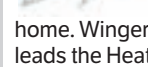
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2nd Period	
1:09 Van - Kesler (4) (Raymond, Samuelsson)	
3rd Period	
13:47 Van - H. Sedin (1)	

nine-game consecutive point streak.

UP NEXT

The Canucks bring their league-worst road record into Edmonton Tuesday against the Oilers. Alex Burrows is expected to get his first start of the season following an off-season shoulder surgery.

ABBY SPLITS PAIR AGAINST ADMIRALS

AHL The Abbotsford Heat (6-5-1) held on to fifth in the Western Conference after splitting weekend matchups against Milwaukee. The Admirals took the first game Friday 3-2 before the Heat responded with a 4-2 win Saturday at home. Winger Carter Bancks, who had a goal in the victory, leads the Heat in scoring with nine points. — QMI AGENCY

GMEN RETURN HOME AFTER 2-1 TRIP

WHL The Vancouver Giants (10-6-1-1) closed out their three-game road trip with a 4-2 win Saturday over the Edmonton Oil Kings. The victory came after a 5-2 loss in Red Deer Friday and a 5-2 win in Lethbridge Wednesday. The Giants, who sit second in the West, return home Friday to host the Kelowna Rockets. — QMI AGENCY

TWO BARS

A slow week for the Canucks with only two games in seven days. Hard to raise reception level based on practices. Blame the schedule makers.

CONNECTED

Two solid performances by Luongo improves Canucks win streak to three.

DISCONNECTED

Dan Hamhuis' foot injury isn't going away despite it being a deep bruise rather than a fracture. The defenceman will not travel with the team this week.

VOICEMAIL

"I'm sick of going around Keith in practice, not really making me a better player anymore. I know he has some concussion problems but walking around him at ease is getting old." - joked Kevin Bieksa, who happened to be within whispering distance of injured stallmate Keith Ballard.

TWEETS OF THE WEEK

@canucksgirl44: Also I know it's early, but it's terribly disturbing to see the #Canucks the NW Division... BELOW Minnesota, people.

@edlau: What...? The #Canucks are playing tonight? Are ya sure? I thought Bettman scheduled us 3 months off then 73 consecutive to end the year

@passitobulis: Now Parent has a groin strain? Archie Andrews' car is in better shape than the #Canucks defense corps.

Moose dropping

QMI AGENCY – It was a scary end to the weekend for the Manitoba Moose.

The Lake Erie Monsters blanked the Moose 2-0 on Halloween afternoon in Cleveland, getting revenge for a 6-3 loss on Friday night.

Manitoba, which was playing its third game in three days, has lost two straight, fell to 5-4 and now occupy the second-last spot in the

North Division.

The Moose continue their seven-game road trip on Tuesday night in Hamilton against the Bulldogs.

It was the second straight game that the Moose blew an opportunity to win in the third period. On Saturday they allowed three unanswered goals in the final 10 minutes of a 4-2 loss to Grand Rapids.

**GUT SHOT****Guts McTavish**

Sports columnist

Canucks forecast

Alex Burrows arrival back into the line up tonight will finally give us the opportunity to witness the top 9 vision Canucks GM Mike Gillis had in mind heading into the new campaign.

If ever there was a line that Burrows could ease back into form on, it's the Sedins line. The Burrows vacancy has been filled by a revolving door of Canucks wingers keeping the spot warm for the eventual return of the incumbent triplet.

Ballard returned last night and looked solid as ever, Hamhuis is very close to being back and with the turning of the calendar Roberto Luongo posted a shutout. So all is sunny in Canuckville right?

Mikael Samuelsson getting 13:20 of ice time from his coach last night tells me no.

So lets go with a new Canuckville forecast of partly cloudy with chance of Sammy breaking out of his funk over the next few games.

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GIANTS WIN IT ALL

WORLD SERIES San Francisco Giants pitcher Tim Lincecum delivers to the Texas Rangers during Game 5 of Major League Baseball's World Series in Arlington, Texas. With a 3-1 win, the Giants clinched the series four games to one.

PHOTO REUTERS

Grey Cup will cost you

BOB MACKIN
QMI Agency

Raising the Roof is the slogan for the 99th Grey Cup in 2011 at B.C. Place Stadium.

Raising the Rates ought to be the slogan for the ticket sales campaign, which began Monday.

It'll cost B.C. Lions' season ticket subscribers between \$100 and \$295 plus service charges and HST per ticket to the Nov. 27, 2011 game. When public sales start in June, top price is \$375 in level two club seating between the goal lines.

B.C. Place has hosted seven Grey Cups. The highest-price to see the Edmonton Eskimos beat the Montreal Alouettes in 2005's overtime thriller was \$225. Tickets were \$35 when the Toronto Argonauts edged B.C. in 1983 to win the first indoor Grey Cup.



B.C. taxpayers paid the CFL \$1.88 million for 2011 hosting rights to showcase B.C. Place, which is undergoing a \$563 million renovation. The new retractable roof will be fully functional in time for the Grey Cup. Taxpayer-owned B.C. Lottery Corporation was announced as

the newest Grey Cup 2011 sponsor Monday. Organizing committee GM Scott Ackles said the Nov. 24-27, 2011 festival will take place in the Vancouver Convention Centre and outdoors on the foot of Robson Street at Terry Fox Plaza outside B.C. Place.

Owner Braley stands by coach Buono

BOB MACKIN
QMI Agency

Wally or won't he?

B.C. Lions' owner David Braley says it's up to head coach and general manager Wally Buono to decide his 2011 job description.

"Wally will be with this team next year, period, full stop," Braley said Monday. "It's his decision whether he coaches or wants to be general manager only."

The 7-10 Lions remain in the hunt for a playoff spot. They need to beat the Hamilton Tiger-Cats on Saturday and hope for an Edmonton Eskimos' loss to avoid missing the playoffs for the first time since 1996.

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Horoscope
November 2, 2010

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

Today's birthday: Widen your perspective now to focus on the long term. This could involve long distance travel or planning for ten years into the future.

ARIES
March 21 to April 19
If you plan a trip, allow for adjustments in the itinerary. Something lucky happens along the way.
Rating: ●●●●

LIBRA
September 23 to October 22
Communicate with neighbours, friends and distant relatives. There is power in building goals.
Rating: ●●●●●●

TAURUS
April 20 to May 20
Seemingly minor changes transform your personal work as if by magic.
Rating: ●●●●●●

SCORPIO
October 23 to November 21
Plan for more folks around the dinner table than usual. It's better to have leftovers than fall short.
Rating: ●●●●●

GEMINI
May 21 to June 20
A close associate points out the need for intense focus. Now sort out the salient facts and create your action plan.
Rating: ●●●●●●

SAGITTARIUS
November 22 to December 21
Paying attention to the task at hand may be difficult now. For best results, keep yourself in the moment.
Rating: ●●●●●●

CANCER
June 21 to July 22
Apply mental effort to your work. Others are creative, but you need to keep your eye on theoretical parameters.
Rating: ●●●●●●

CAPRICORN
December 22 to January 19
Stick to basics as you discuss important issues in private. Group members are ready for a change. Effective direction is necessary.
Rating: ●●●●●●

LEO
July 23 to August 22
Harness your enthusiasm and apply it to a creative task. This makes the work go quickly and easily.
Rating: ●●●●●●

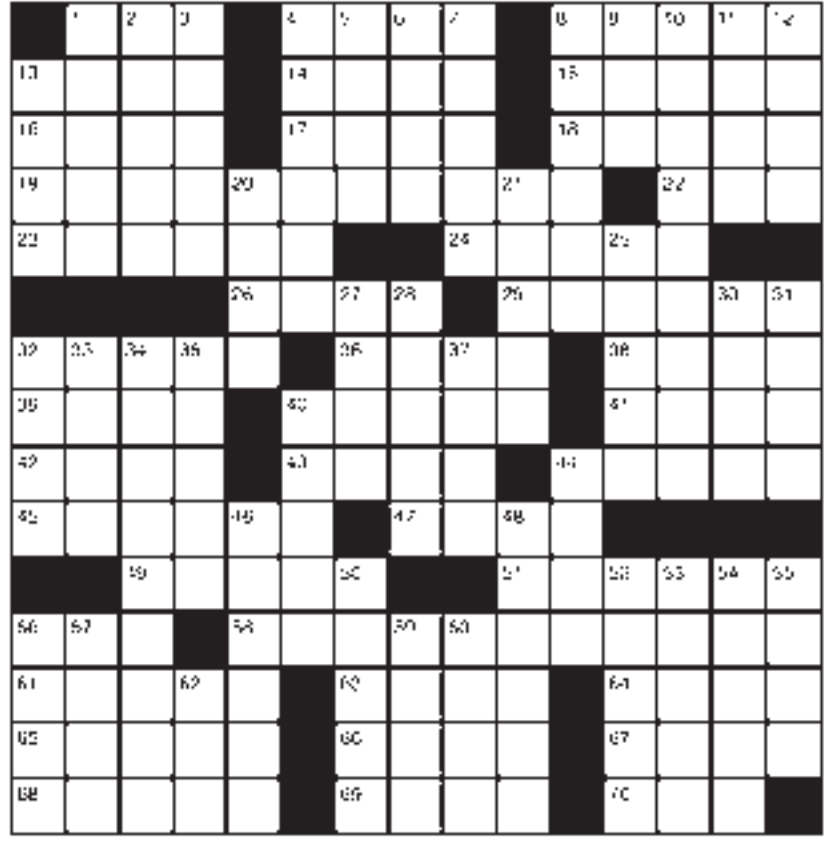
AQUARIUS
January 20 to February 18
Pay close attention to another team member's enthusiastic presentation. You find practical information that affects your side of the equation.
Rating: ●●●●●●

VIRGO
August 23 to September 22
Apply physical energy to household activities. Your mind's going three directions at once, but keep yourself busy organizing.
Rating: ●●●●●●

PISCES
February 19 to March 20
You're more ready than you thought to take on personal transformation. Try something new.
Rating: ●●●●●●

crossword

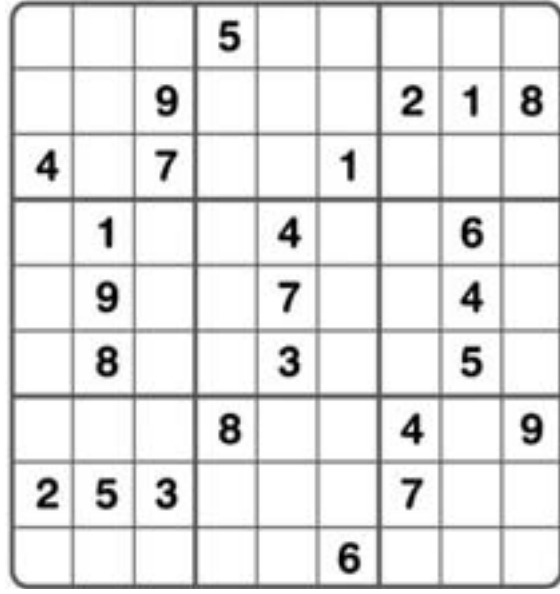
- ACROSS**
1 Shade tree
4 Reach across
8 Mistrust
13 __ market; swap meet
14 Like take-out orders
15 Proprietor
16 *Othello* villain
17 Butter substitute
18 Thickheaded
19 Ill-fated; jinxed
22 Gobbled up
23 Goodyear blimp contents
24 Put forth, as effort
26 Harp of old
29 Theatre cast
32 Goody
36 News, for short
38 Opera solo
39 Engrossed
40 Sum
41 Quayle and Rather
42 Part of the eye
43 Article
44 Tiny bit of land
45 Spain's dollar before the Euro
47 Tall grass stem
49 Egypt's capital
51 Ozzie or Willie
56 Expression of mock surprise
58 Public official's wrongdoing
61 India's currency
63 Dull
64 Flying mammals
65 Proceed very slowly
66 British peer
67 __ out a living; gets by
68 Narrow street
69 Trick
70 Allow
- DOWN**
1 Gladden
2 Permissible
3 Native New Zealander
4 Tumultuous
5 Explorer Marco
6 Matures
7 Lariat's end
8 Walk unsteadily
9 Have debts
10 Artificial
11 Finest
12 Palm or pine
13 Trout or turbot
20 Small group of believers
21 Praise highly
25 Highways
27 Uprising
28 Go in
30 __ for; miss greatly
31 Vane direction
32 Journey
33 Unusual
34 Anglican, in the United States
35 On the waves
37 Renown
40 Jewelled coronet
44 "Beware the __ of March"
46 Occurring at just the right moment
48 Provide the means for
50 More ancient
52 Can wrapper
53 Asp or anaconda
54 Group of eight
55 Loch __ monster
56 Killer whale
57 Throw
59 German woman's title
60 Corncocks
62 Female sheep



sudoku

Under 10 Minutes
10-15
15-20
21-25
Over 25

Are You Kidding Me?
Tell Your Friends
Leaderboard is in Sight
Making Progress
Practice Makes Perfect



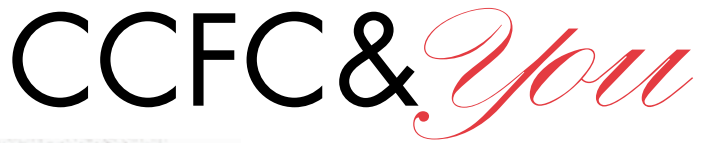
OBJECT OF SUDOKU
No math or calculating is required to play. Using the digits 1 through 9 fill every space on the board with the missing numbers. Every row, column, and 3x3 box must contain all of the digits 1 through 9. There is only one correct solution for each puzzle so every space has only one correct answer.

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



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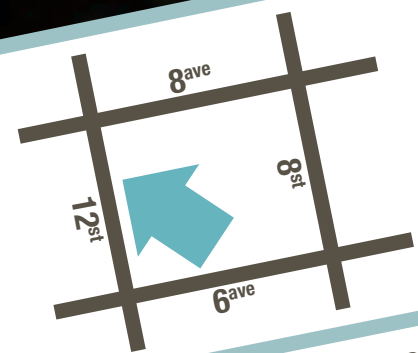
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