

Beauty salons go the distance with eyelashes

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GREENWICH, Conn. — Here's beauty news that may have you toying your eyelash curlers and heavy-duty lengthening mascaras.

Eyelash extensions, semi-permanent lashes that make those full sets of false eyelashes seem so fake, are the latest beauty enhancement offered in upscale salons.

The process of gluing individual lashes and blending them in with the natural lash line started in Asia and migrated to Hollywood.

As with so many red carpet

trends, the beauty industry took notice and makeup artists began learning the time-consuming craft.

Getting lash extensions can be a bit tedious, but one makeup artist skilled in the application process says their appeal will make others stare.

"They really can make your eyes look amazing," says Tamara Efron, makeup artist at the Warren Tricomi salon in Greenwich. "I have clients tell me all the time that people ask them what they did, because they look so good, but

I think best part is you can go to sleep with them on and wake up without raccoon eyes."

Since Warren Tricomi began offering the service several months ago, the applications have been popular with everyone from brides-to-be to stay-at-home moms and women with a heavy schedule of holiday parties.

"They are great for a special occasion, like a wedding, where you are going to have lots of events," says Sandra Warren, manager of the

Greenwich salon. "But they are also popular with people who have sparse lashes or just don't like the results they get from mascara."

Efron explained the application process costs about \$100 and takes a little less than an hour.

Efron starts with clean lashes, before applying more than 30 separate, black lashes to each eye. She says dark lashes work best on most clients. The extensions last about 2 1/2 weeks before they must be serviced or removed. Samantha Bucci, a client at

the salon, says the process was painless and worthwhile.

"I think they look great," she said.

While Efron initially thought clients would try extensions for special occasions only, she's been surprised by the number of women wearing them regularly, repeating the process again and again.

"Actually, the biggest appeal is with women who don't like to wear a lot of makeup but love how these

make their eyes look," she says. "You can swim with them, workout, wear contacts, and wake up in the morning looking great."

Efron, who has worked with major magazines on photo shoots, says the lashes are actually the "sneaky little secret," of the beauty trade.

"A lot of times in mascara adds, when the models' lashes look so amazing, these are what they are wearing," she says. "That's why they look so great."

Committee looks into complaints on police

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complaints and find fault with those making them, said Bill Saunders, the group's chief executive.

"There has to be some honest dialogue around the possibility that the police department has a problem," he said. "What they're saying is that there is no problem and that

everything is perfect, and that's just not true."

Pryor said police are investigating the complaints although the committee did not bring them to police.

Copies of the complaints were provided to police by The (Charlotte) Post and Courier which reported on the complaints last weekend.

Pryor said the department

doesn't tolerate officer misconduct and during the first 11 months of 2005, eight officers were fired and 55 faced discipline resulting from complaints about conduct.

He said people need to bring police their complaints.

"They need not fear the police department. When there is a problem, we deal with it," Pryor said.

City Councilman Bob King said Police Chief Jon Zumalt works to communicate and handle problems.

"The problem is that some people in the community aren't coming forward," he said. "If they have a complaint, I believe the chief will follow up."

Study: More people move west, southeast

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ST. LOUIS—A century and a half after Horace Greeley famously said, "Go West, young man," many Americans are still listening.

A study of moving habits by the nation's largest mover of household goods, United Van Lines, suggests that people are continuing to move to the West and Southeast, and away from the East and Midwest.

The St. Louis-based company has tracked migration since 1977. The 2005 figures were based on more than 226,000 moves handled by the company in the 48 con-

tiguous states and the District of Columbia.

Oregon had the highest inbound migration, with a 63.6 percent of moves going into the state. Other Western states also saw significant inbound movement, including Idaho (61.9 percent), Nevada (60.1 percent) and Arizona (60.1 percent).

In the Southeast, North Carolina led the way, with 61.3 percent of moves inbound. Other southern states with large percentages of inbound moves included South Carolina (59 percent), Alabama (58.9 percent), Tennessee (58 percent) and

Georgia (55.2 percent).

States with the biggest percentage of moves leaving the state were all from the East, Plains or Midwest. Chief among them was North Dakota, with 67.8 percent of moves being outbound. Others with large outbound moves included Michigan (63.9 percent), New Jersey (60.4 percent), Indiana (59.9 percent), New York (59.8 percent) and Illinois (58.4 percent).

One exception to the trend of movement to the West was California, where 55.7 percent of the moves were outbound.

Hurricane Katrina played a role in Louisiana's outbound migration—57.9 percent of moves were leaving the state.

Missouri had slightly more moves out of the state than in, with 50.8 percent of moves going out. In Kansas, 52.6 percent of moves were leaving the state.

United Van Lines Vice President Carl Walter said the company's migration study has been used through the years by real estate firms, financial institutions and others for business planning and analysis activities.

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Get a dictionary: American Dialect Society names choicest words of 2005

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ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. — Here are the winning words chosen by the American Dialect Society as 2005's best words or phrases:

• Word of the Year: truthiness, stating concepts one wishes to be true, rather than the facts.

• Most Useful: podcast, a digital feed containing audio or video files for downloading to a portable MP3 player.

• Most Creative: whale tail, the appearance of a thong or G-string underwear above the waistband.

• Most Unnecessary: K Fed, Kevin Federline, who is

known as Mr. Britney Spears.

• Most Outrageous: crotch-fruit, a child or children.

• Most Euphemistic: internal nutrition, force-feeding in the military sense.

• Most Likely To Succeed: sudoku, a Japanese number game that became popular in 2005.

• Least Likely To Succeed: pope-squatting, registering a domain name that is the same of a new pope in order to profit from it.

• Best Tom Cruise-Related Word: jump the couch, like the actor did on Oprah Winfrey's talk show couch in May.

Family squabbles over sale of King Center

David Stokes

THE ATLANTA INQUIRER

ATLANTA — As the nation prepares to celebrate the birthday of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. next week, new leadership and a more prominent role by a federal agency has taken place toward "the living institution and memorial to promote (King's) ideals of non-violence."

In late September, King's nephew, Isaac N. Farris, assumed leadership of The King Center as president and chief executive officer following a board of directors election. Farris succeeded Martin Luther King III, the eldest son of the civil rights leader and Coretta Scott King.

Additionally, according to sources familiar with the scenario, King Center directors moved to choose the federal government to take over the property and general maintenance and upkeep of the 449 Auburn Avenue location, to take effect early next year, after revelations were discovered last year of ongoing financial struggles endured to sustain the 30-year-old edifice with regular city and state code regulations.

"We've been talking about it for a long time," indicated former U.N. Ambassador Andrew Young, a King Center director who labored with Dr. King during the 1960s civil rights movement. "While the National Park Service will take care of maintenance costs and the property, the board and the family will con-

tinue to control the center's programs and missions." He said the deal is comparable to the government maintaining Atlanta's Carter Center and the John F. Kennedy Presidential Library in Boston.

Young, now 73 and chairman of Goodworks International, was an executive director of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference during King's reign as founding president. SCLC was founded by King, Rev. Ralph David Abernathy,

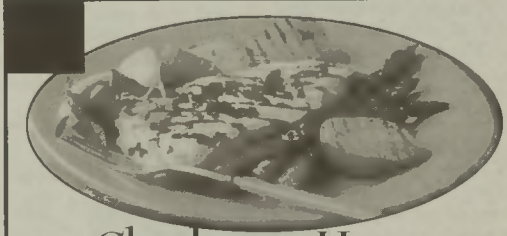
Rev. Joseph E. Lowery and other clergy in 1957.

Local National Park Service or Department of Interior officials were not immediately available for comment. The agreement, nevertheless, will have The King Center's property deeded to the U.S. government, yet, allow the King family to maintain control of center initiatives.

In a December statement announcing the new center official, Farris said "the Center has authorized the exploration of options sur-

rounding the transfer of property of The King Center, including Dr. King's birth home. The transfer would relieve The King Center of the economic burdens ...and enable the Center to focus on enhanced program(s) development."

Other King Center board members include Christine King Farris, mother of Farris and eldest sibling of King, Jr.; Edythe S. Bagley, sister of Mrs. King, and Dexter Scott King, chairman of the board of directors.



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