

THE KANSAS CITY STAR.



TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS

Actress **Kristen Johnston** is 44.

Actress-comedian **Anne Meara** is 82. Actress **Sophia Loren** is 77. Bassist **Chuck Panozzo** of Styx is 64. Jazz guitarist **Peter White** is 57. Actor **Gary Cole** is 55. Rapper **Yung Joc** is 29.

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Anderson's heartache

Anderson Cooper just launched a new morning talk show last week and already he's pulling out all the stops.

On Monday's show he sat down for a very sad conversation with his own mother, **Gloria Vanderbilt**, who talked of the day in 1988 that her older son fell from the 14th-floor terrace of the family's New York penthouse. **Carter Vanderbilt** was just 23 when he took his own life.

People say her son jumped, **Cooper** Gloria said. But he was sitting on the balcony wall, one leg hanging over the edge, before he lowered himself over the side, hanging on with both hands. Then, he just let go.

"When he went ... I thought he was going to come back, but he didn't," Gloria, 87, told Anderson, who was 21 at the time. "He let go, and there was a moment when I thought I was going to jump over after him."

She didn't, she told Anderson, because "I thought of you, and it stopped me" from jumping.

Kate: Hunting for a cause

Speaking of newlyweds ...

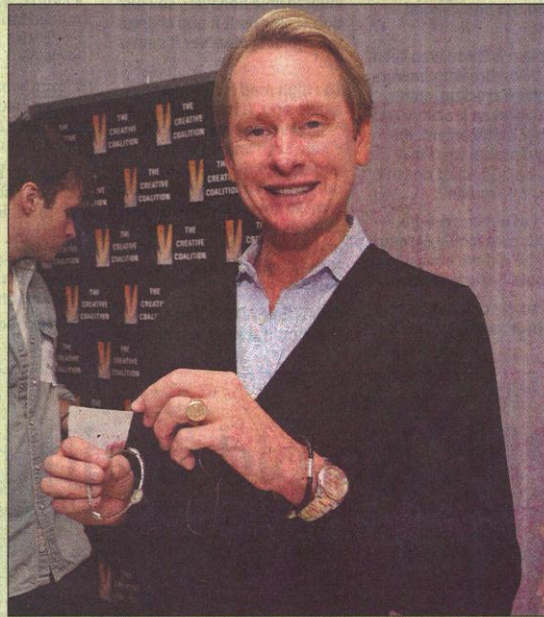
Kate Middleton — excuse us, that's Catherine, Duchess of Cambridge now — is hunting for a charity to champion. St. James's Palace confirmed over the weekend that Catherine will spend the next few months exploring various charities to shower with her time and royal attention. **Prince William** plans to introduce Catherine to a cause he favors.

The two will help open a children's cancer center at the Royal Marsden Hospital next week. William followed in his late mother's footsteps by becoming the hospital's president.

DWTS 'new' host

Who was that new host Mon-

SILPADA AT THE EMMYS



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That's fashion expert and "Dancing With the Stars" contestant **Carson Kressley** checking out the goods in the **Silpada Style Suite** over the weekend at the Emmy Awards. The (hometown) **Silpada** goodies charmed the likes of "Extra" co-host **Maria Meunounos** (a longtime fan of the line), **Jennifer Love Hewitt** and **Kansas City, Kan.**, native **Eric Stonestreet** of "Modern Family." Emmy nominees and presenters enjoyed a veritable feast of freebies ranging from HP notebook computers, manicures and vegan footwear to bedazzled toasters and a \$700 hair dryer.

day night on "Dancing With the Stars"? She sure looked like regular co-host **Brooke Burke**. But she was introduced as **Brooke Charvet**.

Actually, the season premiere was a coming-out party for **Brooke's** new married name. She and **David Charvet** were married last month after they snuck away to St. Barts with their four children and two friends.

While she says she's happy to use her husband's name profes-

sioned **Mia** in a bathtub, the other **Justin** naked on a bed.

Here's part of their joint statement to **E!** News:

"At no time did **Mr. Timberlake** and **Ms. Kunis** exchange inappropriate texts or emails. ...

"**Mr. Timberlake** would like us to make it clear that while he might write songs about putting things in boxes, he never has and definitely doesn't make a habit of taking any photos of them and sending them. ...

"**Ms. Kunis** would like us to add that while she is a fan of the song, she does not have nor has ever had photos of any male parts in her possession."

Eww, gross!

A TMZ cameraman learned the hard way Sunday that there's really no keeping up with **Lance Armstrong**.

The photog was running alongside **Lance** during a run in New York City Sunday night, throwing questions out as he tried to keep up. But just a few minutes into the interview-on-the-run, the cameraman tossed his cookies.

And yes, we get to hear it on camera.

But kudos to the photog for not missing a beat.

"**Lance**, I just threw up!" he called out as **Lance** disappeared into the night.

Starbrites

■ Veteran NBC newsmen **Lester Holt** will finally get his day in the sun when he replaces **Ann Curry** as host of "Dateline NBC" when its 20th season begins Friday.

■ Someone stole **John Travolta's** 1970 Mercedes-Benz 280SL from a Santa Monica street over the weekend when he parked it there for about 10 minutes while visiting a Jaguar dealership, **TMZ** reports. Maybe the Mercedes thought it was being replaced and took off on its own?

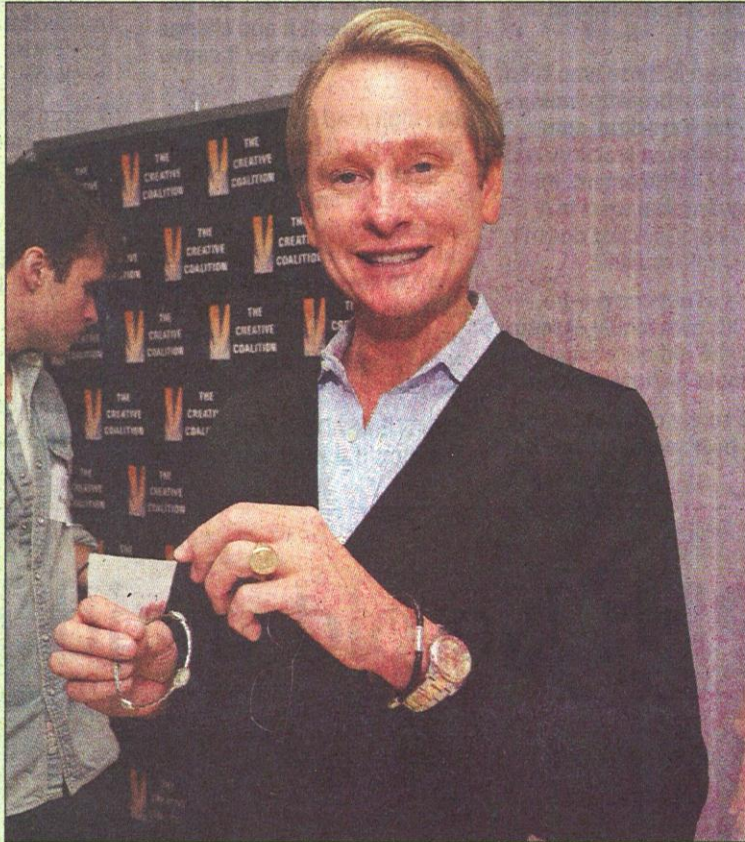
When **Lisa Gutierrez** isn't wishing she drove a car worth stealing, she's **Stargazing** among published reports of celebrity news.

sionally, reaction from other people to the name change has been "50-50," she tells **People** magazine. **Stargazing** says she'll always be **Brooke Burke** to us.

A what in a what?

"**Friends With Benefits**" co-stars **Mila Kunis** and **Justin Timberlake** are trying to set the record straight about those sexy photos of each other that were swiped by a hacker and put up for sale online last week. One picture

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