

Pricey pasta in hot water

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Purse strings

IF we saw this purse, it might quickly become the world's most expensive sick bag. **Paris Hilton** — who's believed to have once caught a fleeting glimpse of reality but mistook it for a pony — says she bought a \$65,000 bag. (Not a bag of uranium — just a bag.) For context, it would take the average American two years of gross income to pay for it. Speaking of gross, Hilton told Elle that the custom-made Birkin is covered with "over 60,000 Swarovski crystals." She added that she "can't remember how much it cost," but it's estimated to be worth \$65,000. Perhaps she needed some where to store her discarded engagement rings.



Paws and claws

KIM Kardashian (above) hosted a family screening for the insipid G-rated flick "Paw Patrol: The Movie" on Thursday. It's the reality star's first animated feature, believe it or not. She plays Delores, a sassy poodle working in an animal shelter. She's had previous cameos in such classics as "Disaster Movie," "Ocean's 8" and "Temptation: Confessions of a Marriage Counselor." She said during an intro: "OK guys, I want to welcome everyone here to the 'paw Patrol' movie," but thankfully didn't mention her "craft."

NELLO no more?

A source told us that celebrity haunt Nello — where plates of pasta go for over \$100 — is on its way out of its Madison Avenue home and will be replaced by another swank eatery, Cipriani.

We heard that the pricey joint owes nearly \$2 million in rent and is close to eviction, which a spokesperson denied.

"We have been making payments," the restaurant's spokesman, **Todd Shapiro**, told Page Six. "An arrangement was put in place that does not reflect that number. The landlord and owner sat down several months ago to work things out. Right now, we have not gotten a letter of eviction."

But Shapiro also told us the Italian eatery owned by **Thomas Makos** might be relocating to less expensive digs nearby, as the restaurant industry attempts to get back on its feet amid the pandemic.

"There have been ongoing discussions between Thomas and the landlord," Shapiro said. "But we've been offered dozens of places to relocate the Nello brand. Nello may not be at that location. It might be a few feet away, or across the street — but it's definitely not going out of business. It's a staple of NYC. It's not going anywhere."

Meanwhile, another upscale eatery, Cipriani, already has five NYC locations, plus eateries

from Las Vegas to Moscow. The brand also has a chain of hotels and residences.

A rep for Cipriani did not respond to a request for comment on the possibility of expanding into the current Nello space at 696 Madison Ave.

Nello has been a favorite of power players and celebs over its 27 years on Madison Ave., including **Jennifer Lopez**, **Mickey Rourke**, **Jennifer Aniston**, **Harrison Ford**, **Jay-Z**, **Kanye West** and **Donald Trump Jr.**

Shapiro told us, "COVID was one of the toughest times for restaurants and many didn't survive... Nello did survive. It's a testament to the great food and loyal customers."



Sightings

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Tip-sy at the bar

TALK about a hot tip! A bartender at gay sports bar Boxers in Chelsea got a \$2,021 tip on a \$160 bill — on top of hundreds in cash — from a patron who wanted to show thanks for the place being open and dealing with the pandemic this year. A source tells us a generous customer, who was excited to be

to dole out the drink as he sat at the bar for three hours just ordering gin and tonics. He gave the bartender \$2,000 at the time, so the bartender was \$200. When the bill came, the customer asked the bartender for a \$2,000 tip. The bartender said, "No, you de-

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Smelling stars

IN the ongoing mini-series of stars' bathing habits, we're now getting intimate with **Matthew McConaughey's** odor. "Community" star **Yvette Nicole Brown** (above) said on a new podcast episode that when she worked with McConaughey in 2008 — and had read that the hunky star hadn't used deodorant in 20 years — she just knew she had to get a whiff. "My first thought was, 'I'm going to get as close as I can to him to see if he's right [about being naturally odorless].'" Brown told **Jess Cagle** on SiriusXM. And? "He smells like granola and good living. He has a sweet, sweet scent," the actress said. "That is just him, and it's not musty or crazy." McConaughey has said another co-star, **Kate Hudson**, tried to turn him on to natural deodorant... without luck.

Horror show house haunted

EMILY Hampshire says to rid herself of any evil vibes from her role in the upcoming horror series "Chapelwaite," she'd walk by co-star **Adrien Brody's** incense-filled trailer. "Adrien has a lot of incense and he's very holistic," she told us, "so I would just walk by his trailer and I was like, 'Well I'm cleansed!' " "Chapelwaite" is based on the short story "Jerusalem's Lot" by **Stephen King** and set in the 1800s. One "red band" trailer shows footage of Brody picking bloody worms out of his nose. The actor previously revealed he chose to work with real ones rather than computer graphics. "We had a worm wrangler who handled these worms with her bare hands," he said. Hampshire told us: "I saw the trailer... when you're on set, worms don't look as wormy as they do when they are all over you, and thank God the 'you' in the sentence was Adrien and not me." She also said the Halifax home where they shot is truly creepy. "[It's] beautiful, but it's haunted... they have the whole history of everyone who lived in there, and everyone who lived in there pretty much died a horrible death... doors would shut. I am not kidding, that place is haunted." "Chapelwaite" premieres on Epix Aug. 22.

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