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NEWS OF THE WEIRD by Chuck Shepard

■ In January, the engineers and hobbyists of Utah's Salt Lake Astronomical Society told reporters they were planning to air-drop bowling balls, at very high altitude, to check out their impact when they land on the salt flats, to simulate the impact of meteorites. The society said it had been frustrated that it could not find any meteorites so far and had been wondering whether they had disintegrated or been pulverized on impact. Two days later, the U.S. Bureau of Land Management, citing the many people engaged in work projects on the salt flats, said it was a bad idea to be dropping bowling balls around them.



THOUGHT OF THE DAY

It is easier to get forgiveness than permission.



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Cops: Suspect used ruse on other women

BY CAROLYN SACKARIASON
Daily Press Staff Writer

The man suspected of killing a Santa Monica woman was previously convicted on felony charges for luring young women into his clutches by claiming to be a photographer in the entertainment industry.

attractive females, purports to be a photographer in the entertainment business, whether it's music or film," said Santa Monica Police Chief James T. Butts Jr. "This person is a very convincing and very smooth predatory type person."

Johnson's bound and partially clothed body was discovered by

"This person is a very convincing and very smooth predatory type person."

— JAMES T. BUTTS JR.
Santa Monica Police Chief

In fact, in one instance that led to a conviction, the purported photographer used the exact same film title to lure his victim as he did with 22-year-old Kristine Johnson and another woman who escaped from him more than a month ago in West Hollywood.

"This person approaches

hikers at the bottom of a steep hillside in the Hollywood Hills on Monday afternoon. She disappeared Feb. 15 after telling her roommates she was going to audition for the film production at the Century City Mall.

Police refused to release the name of the film production used



Carolyn Sackariason/Daily Press

Santa Monica Police Chief James T. Butts Jr. and police personnel give the latest information in the murder investigation of Kristine Johnson's murder during a press conference on Tuesday.

by the suspect.

Johnson was found wearing a specific article of clothing that the suspect asked both her and the female from the West Hollywood

incident to wear to their purported photo shoots. Johnson was last seen in a light blue corduroy outfit, blue jeans and a matching

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City building inspector arrested for bribery

Man's work under suspicion

BY JOHN WOOD

Daily Press Staff Writer

A Santa Monica building inspector was arrested last month on suspicion of soliciting bribes, police announced Tuesday.

The suspect allegedly asked for cash in return for covering up building code violations during the past three months, according to

police and city officials.

Police are not releasing any information on the suspect while the investigation is on-going, but city officials confirmed he is male and not a native of Santa Monica.

The worker, a temporary employee contracted by the city to inspect buildings and make sure they meet code, was arrested in the middle of February, according to city officials.

His work during December, January and the beginning of February is under investigation.

While the extent of the suspected crimes is still unknown, Suzanne Frick, who heads the city's planning department, said the charges are serious.

"We are very disturbed," Frick said Tuesday. "If the allegations are correct, his behavior was reprehensible and we hope he is prosecuted to the full extent of the law."

Building Officer Tim McCormick said the alleged wrongdoing may reach well beyond the individual suspect's actions.

"We're concerned that there may be other parties involved, and we'd like them to come forward," McCormick said. "We're doing everything we can to investigate (the alleged solicitations)."

McCormick — who oversees the city's building department — said he doesn't know how the suspect got away with the alleged crimes, but credited the city's employee probation period and evaluation processes for nabbing the temporary worker.

Assistant City Manager Judy Rambeau said the city will not rest until every lead is exhausted.

"We're going to be following up with all the job sites this person may have touched," Rambeau said. "And we're going to make sure systems are instituted so nothing like this can ever happen again."

Any person with information regarding this investigation should call SMPD Detective David Hunscke at (310) 458-8949.

Jerry Rubin to take 'Peace Activist' case to Supreme Court

BY JOHN WOOD

Daily Press Staff Writer

Former City Council candidate Jerry Rubin is taking his battle to be recognized on local election ballots as a "Peace Activist" to the nation's highest court.

James Fosbinder, a First Amendment attorney who is working pro bono on behalf of Rubin, said Tuesday he plans to file a petition asking the U.S. Supreme Court to hear the case.

Rubin suffered a setback last week when the 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals refused

to rehear his case, solidifying a three-judge panel's ruling last October that upheld a previous dismissal of Rubin's lawsuit by a U.S. District judge.

A 9th Circuit judge last year requested the three-judge panel's unanimous decision be reviewed by the full court, but that request was denied when it failed to garner the support of the majority of 9th Circuit judges.

Fosbinder, whose practice is based in Hawaii, said Tuesday he was encouraged by the earlier request for a review, even though it failed. The request was a "one in a 1,000"

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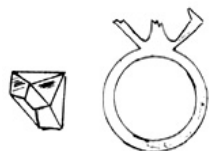


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HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Wednesday, March 5, 2003:

Listen to your thoughts, and follow through on them. You know what to do; it is a matter of simply taking action. Your instincts prove unusually right-on. If you listen to others, you might gain a different perspective. Still, you need to know what you want in order to achieve your desired results. Making and spending money could become a strength and a liability, in that order. Your energy carries you through the year, though you might have a tendency to gain weight as well. If you are single, you will meet someone who might convince you to change that status. You could meet this person through your work. If you are attached, your relationship will benefit from those extra touches. Nurture your loved one more. ARIES understands your assets.

♈ ARIES (March 21-April 19)

★★★★★ You've got the vavoom and energy to make what you want happen. Others respond to your ideas and dynamic energy. Make it OK to use your magnetism. Everything doesn't have to involve logic or intellect. Let go. Tonight: Do your thing.

♉ TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

★★★ Take your time with those around you. Your family takes an even higher priority than you anticipated. You need to slow down and do some thinking as to the best way to integrate both your personal and professional lives. Tonight: Do your thing.

♊ GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

★★★★★ Meetings prove to be instrumental, whether it is a group or one-on-one conversation. You gain through exchanging ideas and find solutions. You enjoy yourself. Others seek you out massively. Screen calls if need be. Tonight: Take a midweek break.

♋ CANCER (June 21-July 22)

★★★ Others look to you for information and feedback. Your way of handling an associate can make or break a personal matter. Your vantage point makes a big difference with a professional decision. Understand what might be needed here. Tonight: It could go late.

♌ LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

★★★★★ Your ability to see the long-term view could make a big difference in your dealings. Reach out for others, and make sure you have gathered sufficient information. Your word makes a big difference to many. Good suggestions come from left and right. Tonight: Try a new restaurant.

♍ VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

★★★★★ Be imaginative in your dealings, especially those involving joint financing. You might not be sure what is the best path. Keep exploring rather than committing. Your instincts will guide you. Tonight: Get together with a friend.

♎ LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

★★★★ Reach out for others. Seek out friends and the company of associates. Manifest your ability to come up with answers and zero in on what you want. Be imaginative with ideas and solutions. Others admire your resourcefulness. Tonight: Say "yes" to an invitation.

♏ SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

★★★★ You might be surprised about what is going on within your immediate circle. Loosen up with associates, and you will find out how successful you can be. Flow with opportunity. A boss thinks you're the cat's meow. Keep up the good work. Tonight: Burn the midnight oil.

♐ SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

★★★★ Use your fire energy to make anything possible. Be upbeat with your dealings, knowing that they can happen. You have unusual vision combined with high creativity that directs you and anyone who is fortunate enough to be around you. Tonight: Defer to a child or loved one.

♑ CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

★★★★ If you are dealing with the basics, you'll come out on top. You have strong instincts that guide you both on a one-on-one level and with the basics. Understand what others want from you. Be as clear as possible. Tonight: Happy at home.

♒ AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

★★★★ You have the ability to move a personal situation forward. Allow others to be more creative and open. Going with the flow gets some spectacular results. You have a dream; start sharing it if you want to make it a reality. Tonight: Hang out.

♓ PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

★★★★ Deal with finances directly, sharing your objectives with those around you. Pace yourself at work. Ask associates for some feedback, if need be. Together as a group, you push a project to the finish line. Your instincts serve you well. Tonight: Pay bills.



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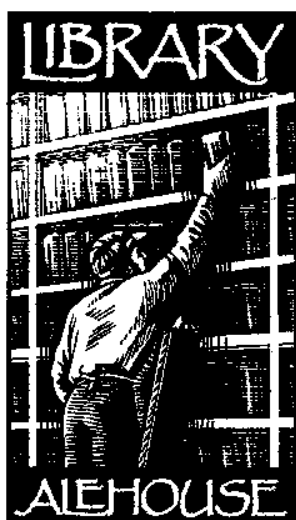
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LOCAL

Local doctor, guitarist dies in scuba diving accident

By Daily Press staff

Janice D'Amico, MD, of Santa Monica was not your ordinary doctor, and likewise she departed this world in a larger than life way.

The 47-year-old physician, whose first career was as a rock and roll guitarist, was vacationing in the Maldives in the Indian Ocean when she died in a scuba diving accident on February 10.

After surfacing from her third dive of the day, D'Amico experienced trouble breathing and went into cardiac arrest. The exact cause of her death is not known, but officials suspect embolism — a common occurrence among divers, where tiny air bubbles in the bloodstream expand and burst as a diver approaches the water's surface.

A memorial service will be held March 8 at 4 p.m., at the All Saints Episcopal Church in Beverly Hills.

D'Amico will be missed by friends, family members and colleagues.

"She was an incredibly learned and passionate person," said K. Pearson Brown, her partner of four years. "She would envelop herself in a new interest and study it and practice it until she mastered it. She did more living in one year than many people do in a lifetime."

In the 1970s, D'Amico traveled the country as a member of a pioneering all women's rock and roll group, Sweet Jenny Grit. One early review in the Syracuse New Times reported, "For Janice D'Amico, the band's lead guitarist, there can be nothing but praise as she lays down some real tasty licks



Janice D'Amico
and refuses to overplay."

After many years as a successful musician, D'Amico pursued a second career in medicine.

After receiving her medical degree from the University of California, Los Angeles in 1987, she practiced anesthesiology and attained sub-specialty experience in obstetrics, cardiac surgery, pediatrics and neurology.

D'Amico's diving safaris took her to Papua New Guinea, Bali, Egypt's Red Sea, Sippidan, Malaysia, Indonesia, Micronesia, La Paz, Palau and the Maldives.

"Janice always wanted to find the big fish," said Patty Shayles, a diving companion. She would seek out schooling barracuda and sharks. The hammerheads were her love. She described diving as a spiritual experience that made her feel closer to God."

In the 1990s, D'Amico cycled through Italy, and in 1995 she trekked through the Zaskar Valley in the Himalayas. She was an avid tennis and volleyball player and fitness enthusiast.

D'Amico loved to garden and cook. She was a participant in local social, arts and entertainment

organizations and a member of a conversation salon of authors, scholars and artists.

In recent months, D'Amico had read many books about religions of the world and communing with nature on hikes and scuba diving. Friends said she was on a spiritual quest.

"Janice had a core attitude to live life to the fullest," friend and fellow diver Katie Gregory said. "She was a truly beautiful person. She was intense, a very strong spirit — this world was not enough for Janice."

On her last trip, she was learning French from scuba master Josi Dalcourt.

"Before her last dive, we had a great talk for a couple of hours, and she was super happy," Dalcourt said. "She said to me in French, 'I love life.'"

D'Amico was born in Syracuse, New York. She graduated from San Francisco State University where she received a bachelor of arts in Music Performance. She received a medical degree from the University of California at Los Angeles, School of Medicine. She was certified as a Diplomate of the American Board of Anesthesiology and the National Board of Medical Examiners.

D'Amico is survived by her father, James F. D'Amico, and step-mother, Carmaline D'Amico; two sisters, Regis Ann Davis and Nancy D'Amico; loving friends K. Pearson Brown, Leslie King and Laura Thomas, D.D.S.; two step-sisters, Lisa Frateschi and Christine Pollock; step-brother Richard Lemmon; and several nieces, nephews and cousins.

surf report Information compiled by Jamie Seborer

Wednesday will feature the tail end of the swell around waist high. On Thursday another NW swell rolls through, though this is not very strong. Wave size should remain around waist to chest high, with some occasional over-head waves at better-exposed, west-facing breaks.

County Line will have the best waves along with areas further south. There will be some afternoon blow-out and look for temperatures to remain around 60 degrees. The 72 hour rain advisory is still in effect.

It rained last night and more is expected Wednesday and Thursday. Therefore the beaches will remain at a high bacteria level until next week — when a big swell is expected to arrive around March 13.

Today's Tides:		
Low	4:13am	1.0'
High	10:12am	4.8'
Low	4:29pm	0.5'
High	10:45pm	4.6'

Location	Wednesday	Thursday	Water Quality
County Line	3-6' fair	2-4' fair	NA
Zuma	3-4' fair	2-3' fair	NA
Surfrider	2-3' fair	2-3' fair	NA
Topanga	2-3' fair	1-2' fair	NA
Breakwater	2-3' fair	1-3' fair	NA
El Porto	4-6' fair	3-4' fair	NA

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The Q Line

It seems as though every week the news gets worse for our city and school budgets. Deficits grow by the millions and officials say it's going to get to much worse before it gets better.

The local school district is asking the City of Santa Monica to kick in an extra \$3.5 million this year. The city already gives the district \$3.5 million annually. Both entities are facing about the same deficit this year — between \$10 and \$15 million — based on ever-changing estimates.

And as the city continues to fund projects like the new \$56 million voter-

approved library, the schools will lose up to 200 employees because of lay-offs and many educational programs plan to be cut.

So this week, Q-Line wants to know, "Should the city give the district more money? Why or why not?"

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OPINION

LETTERS

More Prop. A mailer confusion

Editor:

I was surprised to find myself quoted as a supporter of Proposition A on a piece of literature I received in the mail. I was not contacted by the "Yes on A" campaign, and I did not approve of the use of my name on their mailer.

I am a strong supporter of historic preservation. I belong to the Santa Monica Conservancy. I live in a 1920's bungalow that was moved to its present site from 4th Street and Wilshire in the early 1950's, and was rehabilitated by my late husband and me in 1992.

As a candidate for City Council, I made a commitment to adopt Proposition A as an ordinance to avoid this current confusing and expensive election.

Had I been elected, I would have worked to establish a process to review current ordinances and administrative procedures to examine how their implementation creates barriers to cost-effective improvements in residential neighborhoods. It was my hope that Santa Monica would develop a homeowner-based constituency for historic preservation, as Pasadena has, through celebration of architectural and cultural heritage, city incentives for restoration, and homeowner pride. We could then return to the voters with a consensus historic preservation law based on the cultural and economic benefits of historic preservation to both the homeowners and the city.

This is not an issue upon which our community should be divided, but it will take time to reach agreement on our goals and how we will achieve them. Standards and procedures should be adopted that will encourage the preservation, renovation, restoration and rehabilitation of older homes, as well as their modification to provide for changes in family size, taste and lifestyle. This is not the kind of lawmaking that is done well by initiative. We need to educate and organize ourselves as a community, and develop a consensus about historic preservation and other alternatives to maintaining and showcasing our architectural and cultural heritage.

Regardless of whether Proposition A is approved by the voters, the Conservancy and other homeowner groups should continue to invest in the tough job of community education through events such as the planned home tour in May. We should begin a constructive dialogue about our city's heritage, including homeowners, renters, the Santa Monica Historical Society, youth and academics in the process. I hope that in a year or two, we will be back to the voters with a meaningful approach to historic preservation. Meanwhile, I'm voting "No" on Proposition A.

Abby Arnold
Santa Monica

Gov. Davis hurting education

Editor:

Governor Davis' state budget cuts are hurting one group more than any other in California — the community college students and their families. He is slashing \$288 million for this fiscal year alone but total cuts equal to \$530 million are due for 2003-

2004. This is unprecedented in the history of California.

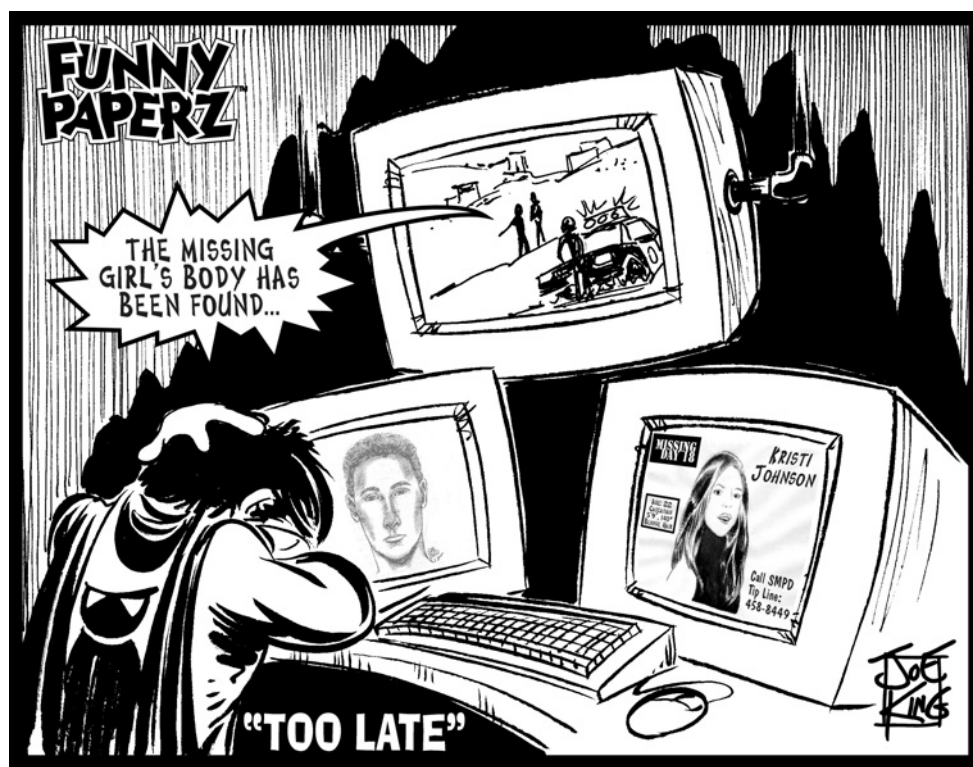
Davis' silent and cruel cuts have caused Santa Monica College to cancel 250 classes during this spring session and forced a massive layoff in the departments assisting minorities such as EOPS, disabled students, Pico Partnership, and counseling.

But this is not enough for Governor Davis. He has managed to pass a proposition increasing the community college tuition from \$11 a unit to an outrageous \$24. The \$13 per unit increase WILL NOT GO TO THE SCHOOLS, it will go to the state coffers.

More than 150,000 students statewide will no longer be able to afford the cost of education. Take for instance a low-income family with two children attending community college: 12 units per student will cost approximately \$395 after adding the health fees and the parking fee (\$75 next semester) per student, you are talking about \$800 per 16 weeks plus the cost of books (approximately \$400 per student). To summarize, HOW is a single parent, or a low-income family head of the household going to afford to pay \$1,600 per semester to send their kids to school?

What about the independent student who works part-time making \$7 an hour? How

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Meet People for Eradication of the Terribly Inappropriate



INCITES

By Ed Silverstein

I once had a partner who was an animal activist. He would rescue dogs from the highway and take in every stray or unwanted pet. He was personification of the bumper sticker "I Brake For Animals." On the other hand, if he saw a person crossing against the light he would aim for them and hit the accelerator. As far as I know he never killed anyone, but it certainly wasn't for lack of trying. Eventually his erratic behavior would be explained by a brain tumor the size of an orange.

P.E.T.A. has no such excuse.

Their recent slide into asininity began with a missionary-like crusade against California Happy Cows, the ones featured in the California cheese commercial. Apparently they (the cows) are not really happy. I'm not sure P.E.T.A.'s claim is totally accurate. I used to herd a bunch of cows in Chatsworth that didn't seem terribly unhappy. And I'm willing to bet that cows they use to make cheese are a lot happier than the ones they use for Happy Meals.

In any event, I was sure that these humorless defenders of bestiality (or whatever they call it) could not get any more ridiculous. I was soon to be proved wrong.

The next act, in what would be a three-ring circus of the absurd, would be P.E.T.A.'s outrage at Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat. This murderous despot had the audacity to use a donkey, rather than a brainwashed teenager, for a suicide bombing in Israel. This would not have been a problem except that the donkey, instead of just humans, got blown to bits. Of course there was no way P.E.T.A. would take this sitting down, nor would they roll over and play dead. Instead their leadership fired off a nasty letter to Arafat demanding that he cease and desist using donkeys for suicide bombings. Terrorist groups around the world breathed a sigh of relief when it was learned that the letter did not contain any admonishment about the detonation of humans.

I was convinced that this was rock bottom even for P.E.T.A.. But again I underestimated this band of fanatical, egocentric, publicity seeking evangelists.

In their latest bid for the limelight, exhibiting all the sensitivity of a tree slug, P.E.T.A. has compared chicken and pig farming with Nazi concentration camps. They even have a name for this ludicrousness: The Holocaust on your plate national tour. Let me repeat that: The Holocaust

on your plate national tour. Do these idiots have any idea what went on during the Holocaust? What's next on P.E.T.A.'s agenda, The National Hamburger Emancipation Trail Ride to compare cattle ranching to slavery? Please.

I also have a problem with P.E.T.A.'s celebrity spokespeople. These PETaphiles, as I like to call them, lack a certain amount of credibility. I have a suggestion. Move out of your 7,000-foot Beverly Hills mansion and into a 300-foot studio apartment. I know it's hard to leave. The mansion's wood work alone must have required clear cutting 50 acres of prime rain forest, but you're trying to be taken seriously. Now raze the mansion and plant some grass. This will create an optimum environment for turning the infestation of rodents in Beverly Hills into a bucolic enclave of California happy rats. Oh, and leave the Koi pond. It might someday support a family of Ospreys. Now do the same with the place in Aspen. Yes, Aspen too. Finally use all your remaining assets to purchase land for animal habitats. All done? Good. Now I'm ready to listen to you tell me how I should live my life.

While I fully support any reasonable efforts to encourage farmers and ranchers to raise and kill food animals in an ethical manner, I don't believe for a second that these are the goals of P.E.T.A.. The true

agenda of P.E.T.A. is just like any other extremist religion or cult. It is simply to impose their dogma on the rest of us whether we like it or not. So you will never hear them suggest a humane way in which to raise or kill an animal because they don't believe there is such a thing. What they believe is that we should not be allowed to use animals for food, clothing, entertainment, or research. That means no meat, poultry, fish, or for that matter cheese or milk. Leather's out, so are circus acts, and you can just forget about any miracle cancer cures. They don't even want you to have pets. And it is apparent that they don't like people very much.

So as far as I'm concerned, if we can convince the Palestinians to start strapping bombs to donkeys instead of Palestinian kids, and blowing up happy cows instead of Israelis, I'm all for it. And if P.E.T.A. wants to save animals in the Middle East, Iraq might be more to their liking. Saddam tests his chemical and biological weapons on humans rather than animals. And he's always looking for a few jackasses to be used as human shields.

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LOCAL



LETTERS

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can anyone afford tuition, books and maybe, just maybe, have left over money to pay for living expenses?

Financial aid? Forget about it. If your income was above \$11,000 (one person household), or more than \$19,000 (one dependent) in 2002 you won't qualify for it. You made too much money.

But Davis doesn't care. He attended Stanford, his kids can go to private school. The cuts will not change his life, only ours. He lied to everyone during the past election. All his promises for better education, smaller classes and affordable college are false. Look at the facts — they speak for themselves.

Angela Almeida
Santa Monica

Prop. A 'flip-flop'

Editor:

Last fall at a candidate's forum at Franklin school which I attended, Councilwoman Pam O'Connor was asked point blank whether she would vote to enact the Homeowners Freedom of Choice Initiative (Proposition A), and she said that she would. When the issue came before the council she abstained, giving herself plausible deniability. Now she denies making the comment.

It is the right of every politician to flip-flop their position after they have been re-elected. I prefer to think that O'Connor's position has "evolved," rather than suspect that she was lying outright to curry homeowner votes. But her statement of intent to vote yes was made in a public forum, on the record, and was reported in the local press. The homeowners of this city know what she said before the election, and we know what she is saying now. We are unlikely to forget either position.

Gregory Poirier
Santa Monica

Lay off my friend Martin

Editor:

March comes in like a cool sea breeze off Santa Monica Bay...except for having to read Tittinger's Take, "Blurred images send the world mixed messages" (SMDP, Feb. 27). Mr. Tittinger says it is the intent of "Hollywood's Wag the Dog spinmeisters to confuse in the interests of swaying public opinion that is so troublesome." His fear of mixed messages and distortion of reality can be traced back to Ronald Reagan, first movie actor ever elected U.S. president.

He rips into Martin Sheen, saying "it insults the American intelligence" to hold Sheen up as a champion of anti-war sentiment. "There is little doubt the movement hopes to capitalize on the general public's association of Sheen with the presidency." Wrong again. Sheen has been protesting since before that same Reagan administration that first confused all of us. I know Martin Sheen and you, Mr. Tittinger, are insulting our intelligence. I was arrested with Sheen in Minneapolis during the Honeywell Convergence Project days when thousands like us attempted to get that corporation out of the nuclear war and cluster bomb business and back to producing more of their fine milkshake blenders.

"What is the image we are sending that rest of the world?" Mr. Tittinger asks. The home of the brave, we call it.

Hank Rosenfeld
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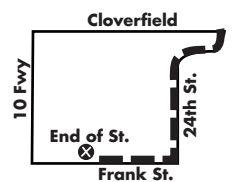
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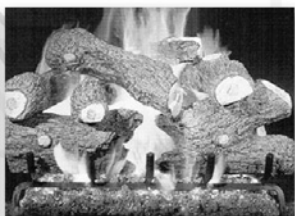
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A source said this vacant home on Skyline Drive was searched by police last week. Yellow crime scene tape is across the sign on the gate.

Suspect being held on unrelated parole charge

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shirt, according to police.

Also on Tuesday, new details emerged about the house on Skyline Drive searched by police last week in connection with Johnson's disappearance.

That house — a two-story Spanish-style home currently for sale — is located two houses away from where Johnson's body was found, according to a source familiar with the property who wished to remain anonymous.

On Tuesday, the home's front gate was sealed with yellow police crime scene tape.

However, Butts said Santa Monica investigators didn't place the tape there and he wouldn't confirm or deny whether the house was searched. Police have said a home in the vicinity of where the body was found was searched last week.

The home is located in a remote neighborhood high in the Hollywood Hills that is difficult to get to.

"Skyline Drive is out of the way — you have to know it's there," the source said, adding that actor Laurence Fishburne rented the house until six months ago. "You don't just happen upon Skyline ... Whoever did this to this woman knew the area."

Police said the suspect is being held on an unrelated parole violation by another law enforcement agency, though they refused to name which one. Also, investigators know the man's name but aren't releasing it while they build a case against him.

Two L.A.-area television news stations broadcast the suspect's photo and name on Tuesday night, despite a warning from police that making his identity public could jeopardize the investigation.

"We are very disappointed that Channel 2 and Channel 9 decided to air the subject of interest," said SMPD Lt. Frank Fabrega. "If this person turns out to be the suspect, other victims that come forward will have a difficult time proving

anything in court because they have a preconceived notion that he's guilty."

Throughout the two-week investigation, police have remained tight-lipped on specific charges that would identify the suspect and information relating to evidence seized. Detectives have attempted to question him and he is not cooperating, Butts said.

**"There are other pieces
of information that
we believe tie the
suspect to Johnson's
disappearance."**

— **JAMES T. BUTTS JR.**
Santa Monica Police Chief

"We are not going to discuss anything that will identify him," Butts said, adding he has not met the suspect.

The suspect was arrested on the unrelated charge shortly after Johnson's car was dropped off at the St. Regis Hotel in Century City on Feb. 16 — the day after she disappeared. He has been in custody ever since.

Ten search warrants were executed last week at various locations throughout Los Angeles, including the home on Skyline Drive and the suspect's West Hollywood residence, which is located two blocks away from where he attempted to lure the woman in the January West Hollywood incident.

"There are other pieces of information that we believe tie the suspect to Johnson's disappearance," Butts said. "We await forensic processing of evidence secured from Kristi's Miata and locations searched pursuant to search warrants before making a final arrest decision."

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LOCAL



City Council hopeful takes case to Supreme Court

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thing for a 9th Circuit judge to do, Fosbinder said.

Still, Fosbinder expressed reserved optimism about Rubin's prospects of being heard in the nation's highest court.

"The odds statistically are that they'll reject (our petition)," Fosbinder said. "On the other hand, one of the judges in the 9th Circuit felt it was important enough to look at it again on their own (without us requesting it)."

Rubin originally sued the city in 2000 during his first bid for a Santa Monica City Council seat after the city denied his request to be listed as a "Peace Activist" on the ballot.

In 2002, Rubin's name ran on the ballot without a designation. He withdrew just days before the election, citing his battle with depression. Rubin has not decided whether he will run in 2004 and said Tuesday the designation determination likely will not have a strong effect one way or the other.

City Clerk Maria Stewart, who has been working on the case, did not return phone calls Tuesday.

However, she has said in the past that state election code bars candidates from using the word "activist" in the professional designation that is printed under their names on the ballot.

But Rubin has maintained that it is his First Amendment right to do just that.

"That's what I do," Rubin said. "That's what I consider my occupation, my life-long vocation. Not only is (being an) activist a job, it's a damn hard job."

Rubin said Stewart came back with a series of alternatives — peace promoter and peace organizer, among others — that fell short of describing his professional pursuits.

"All you have to do is look in my closet to see I'm not an organizer," Rubin joked. "It'd be false advertising."

At issue in the trial is whether the city's ballot can be deemed a "limited public forum," where free speech is protected by the First Amendment. If it is, Fosbinder said Rubin will almost certainly win the case.

"They have this bizarre system of arbitrarily allowing or not allowing you to designate your own occupation. They don't know what they're doing, and they don't have any guidelines."

— JAMES FOSBINDER
Attorney

But Fosbinder said Stewart doesn't consider the ballot a limited public forum.

"She's arguing it's a little mechanical thing where you put your job down," said Fosbinder, who added that attorneys outside of California couldn't believe the city would forbid such a designation. "They have this bizarre system of arbitrarily allowing or not allowing you to designate your own occupation."

"They don't know what they're doing and they don't have any guidelines. It's just so damn arbitrary it drives me nuts."

As of the 9th Circuit's ruling last week, Fosbinder and Rubin had 45 days to file their petition with the Supreme Court. Once filed, the city will file their response and the Supreme Court will decide whether or not to hear the case.

All told, the process could take the "better part of two years," Fosbinder said.

Ex-LAPD Chief Parks opens early lead for council

BY ERICA WERNER
Associated Press Writer

LOS ANGELES — Former police Chief Bernard Parks appeared headed for an easy victory Tuesday in his race for City Council and former state Assembly speaker Antonio Villaraigosa was in a tight contest, as both tried to restart their political careers.

With early absentee ballots counted, Parks had 78 percent of the vote, or 3,491 votes, against four minor candidates in his fight for South Central Los Angeles' 8th district.

Villaraigosa had 50 percent of the vote, or 2,375 votes, in early absentees. His opponent in the largely Hispanic 14th district, incumbent City Councilman Nick Pacheco, had 45 percent of the vote, or 2,103 votes.

A third candidate was trailing. If no one gets more than 50 percent, the top two vote-getters will meet in a runoff May 20.

Wins by either Parks or Villaraigosa could set up a power struggle with Mayor James Hahn, who defeated Villaraigosa in a bitter campaign for mayor two years

ago, then refused to support Parks for a second term as chief. Hahn said Tuesday he could work with whoever won.

"You know, I'm somebody who's easy to work with, I don't carry grudges, I'm interested in working with people," Hahn said. "There's a lot of good stuff that we need to work on here in this city."

Seven of the City Council's 15 seats were up for votes in the nonpartisan election, including four that were vacant. Three incumbents were being forced out by term limits and one was elected to higher office — Assemblyman Mark Ridley-Thomas, who used to occupy the 8th district seat.

Meanwhile voters in suburban South Gate, where four local officials were recalled in January amid allegations of abuse of office, were electing three council members. Nearby in Carson, where two past and two present city officials were indicted on federal corruption charges, voters were filling two seats left empty by resignations and guilty pleas.

Elections were taking place in dozens of municipalities around the state.

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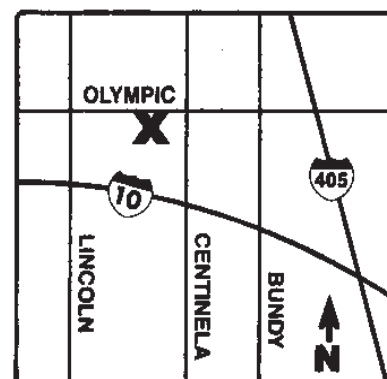
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STATE

Logging targeted by state legislators, environmentalists

BY DON THOMPSON

Associated Press Writer

SACRAMENTO — Environmental groups and state legislators are adopting a tag-team approach this spring to pressure state and federal regulators to alter logging practices in California.

An annual ranking Wednesday of the state's 10 most endangered wild places blames the Bush administration for "unprecedented federal assaults" on the state's wildlife and wilderness.

A coalition of environmental groups plan to assail the U.S. Forest Service's rewriting of plans for 11.5 million acres of Sierra Nevada national forest Wednesday when Regional Forester Jack Blackwell appears before the California Board of Forestry. A pair of pending legislative resolutions, meanwhile, urge logging protections for Sierra forests and the Giant Sequoia National Monument.

While concerted criticism of the Bush administration fits into the recent agenda of Democratic Gov. Gray Davis' administration, logging regulations by his board appointees and Department of Forestry also are under sharp attack.

State lawmakers of Davis' own party are launching a half-dozen bills this spring that would impose logging restrictions previously rejected by state regulators.

The environmental groups believe a five-member majority of the board will now support changes in state regulations on clear cutting and retaining old-growth forest. They also see board support for shifting to a watershed-wide review of logging plans that they contend would better assess the cumulative effects of timber cuts, road building and erosion on protected wildlife.

But if state regulators don't act by August, environmental activists expect lawmakers to step in with their own legislation.

They largely credit Senate President Pro Tem John Burton, D-San Francisco, for empowering both arms of the strategy.

The Senate leader repeatedly blocked Davis' forestry board appointees last year if he thought they were too biased toward the logging industry.

This year he ordered up a raft of legislation backed by a Senate Resources and Wildlife Committee staff report that promised to streamline forestry regulations while limiting clear-cutting and increasing old-growth and water quality protections. One industry-opposed bill would impose a new penny-a-board-foot logging fee to fund firefighting and harvest plan reviews.

"This year, Burton said 'I'm going to take the lead,'" said Warren Alford, a Sierra Club organizer. Environmental groups intend to promote the legislative package, but if forestry board members act first "it will let the air out of the bubble a little bit."

The California Wilderness Coalition's second annual listing of the state's "10 Most Threatened Wild Places" takes aim at both state and federal agencies.

The group accuses Bush of aiming regulatory rollbacks directly at California, listing many of the same examples — from off-road vehicles to offshore oil drilling — advanced by Davis and other top Democratic officeholders and disputed by the federal administration.

In addition to criticizing the Forest Service for its plans, the group's top 10 list includes Sierra Pacific Industries' plan to log up to 1 million acres of its private land, timber cuts regulated by the state Department of Forestry.

About half the acreage would be clear-cut over the next hundred years, ultimately resulting in fewer but larger and more marketable trees per acre, Tom Nelson, the company's director of forest policy, said Tuesday.

Private timber companies' long-term plans call for significantly reducing clear-cutting over the next 40 years, according to a report to be presented to the forestry board Wednesday.

Court says lesbians can sue over denial of fertility care

By The Associated Press

SAN DIEGO — A California appeals court ruled Tuesday that a lower court erred when it dismissed a woman's lawsuit claiming her health care providers acted unlawfully when they refused to provide infertility treatments to her so she and her lesbian partner could start a family.

The 4th District Court of Appeal ordered Guadalupe Benitez's case returned to lower court for trial.

The case brought by Benitez was among the first in California to apply the state's civil rights law barring anti-gay discrimination to health care.

Benitez, 31, alleges two doctors at North Coast Women's Care Medical Group in Vista refused to inseminate her because of their religious beliefs about gays.

A trial court dismissed her case, ruling that the Employee Retirement Income Security Act, which regulates employee benefits plans, bars a state civil rights claim against doctors whenever the doctors' services are paid through an employer-provided health plan.

But the appeals court ruled the act does

not apply if the denial of treatment was for non-medical reasons.

"We reverse because we conclude ERISA does not pre-empt the state claims alleged by Benitez," the ruling said.

The justices did not address the religious allegations made by Benitez.

Benitez's attorney, Albert C. Gross, said the appellate ruling will give Benitez her day in court.

"The Court of Appeal recognized ... they could not shelter themselves with the Employee Retirement Income Security Act to avoid facing the responsibility of their acts of discrimination and breaches of conduct," Gross said.

Attorney Carlo Coppo, who represents the doctors, said the decision was a combination of religious and clinical reasons. He said the women's center had not performed a third-party insemination, except for married couples, in more than a decade.

After the doctors allegedly refused to provide the infertility treatment, Benitez said, she was forced to go outside her medical plan and pay for insemination out of her own pocket.

Benitez gave birth to a baby boy a year ago.

STATE



Federal agents begin to grab Internet domain names

BY MATTHEW FORDAHL

AP Technology Writer

SAN JOSE — Federal agents routinely seize property used in crimes, from drug dealer's cars to hackers' computers. But the government has begun nabbing Internet domain names — a tactic civil libertarians say threatens online merchants and could enable the feds to spy on unwitting Web surfers.

In one case, the government took over Web sites that it said peddled marijuana paraphernalia. In another, prosecutors acquired a site whose owner was charged with selling chips that let video game systems run pirated games.

But rather than shutting them down like in the past, the sites remained alive — and now greet visitors with stern warnings from government agencies.

The trend is alarming online civil liberties groups and legal scholars, who say that as electronic commerce becomes more common, the tactic could destroy people's livelihoods. While businesses can physically relocate in the material world, in cyberspace they depend on their domain name, the Web's equivalent of the front door of a bricks-and-mortar venture.

"If you want to take down a Web site but simply confiscate the servers, operators can always buy other servers," said Michael Overly, an attorney specializing in computer law at Foley & Lardner. "But if they take the domain name away, then they've put the person out of business."

Appeals court stays enforcement of its pledge ruling

BY DAVID KRAVETS

Associated Press Writer

SAN FRANCISCO — A federal appeals court on Tuesday put on hold its ruling barring the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance in public classrooms, pending an appeal to the Supreme Court.

The order followed a request by the Elk Grove Unified School District near Sacramento. The daughter of the man whose suit led the 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals to find the pledge unconstitutional attends school there.

Without Tuesday's stay, public schools in nine western states would have been banned — beginning next Monday — from reciting the pledge, with its reference to "under God." Those states are Alaska, Arizona, California, Hawaii, Idaho, Nevada, Montana, Oregon and Washington.

The stay gives the school district 90 days to ask the Supreme Court to review the appeals court's ruling. Elk Grove Superintendent Dave Gordon said the district will ask the court to hear the case by the end of April.

A Justice Department spokesman said the government had no comment on Tuesday's order, and said the Bush administration was still considering whether it would also appeal.

In June and again last Friday, the San Francisco-based appeals court ruled that the pledge is an unconstitutional endorsement of religion when recited in public schools.

The Elk Grove district was the target of a lawsuit filed by Michael Newdow, a Sacramento atheist, who alleged that his daughter shouldn't be forced to take part in reciting the pledge.

Critics of the Justice Department's raids in recent weeks also say they fear the government could use the new method to spy on Web surfers who visit confiscated sites.

"The government is suddenly in a position of being able to monitor the Web-surfing activities of unwitting individuals who believe they are going to a Web site ... but possibly implicating themselves into some law enforcement investigation," said David Sobel, general counsel of the Electronic Privacy Information Center.

Visitors to pipesforyou.com, for instance, are greeted with a message informing them that a Pennsylvania federal court has "restrained" the sites at the request of the Drug Enforcement Administration.

"You can spin this out to future situations where there are a lot of classes of individuals the government might like to have a list of," such as visitors to terrorism- or bio-

logical weapons-related sites, Sobel said.

The Justice Department did not return repeated phone calls seeking comment on what it plans to do with the sites and their visitor logs.

In announcing the indictment last week of 55 people for allegedly selling drug paraphernalia on the Internet, Attorney General John Ashcroft said several sites had been redirected to DEA servers and that prosecutors had asked the court to redirect another "15 to 20 sites within the next 30 days."

Among legal issues that remain unresolved is whether a domain name constitutes property, or a contract the owner has with the company that provided it. If it's the former, a domain name could indeed be seized like a car, house or computer. Domain transfers have in the past occurred as a result of criminal or civil cases, but Overly said the courts would ultimately decide the issue.

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INTERNATIONAL

U.N. chief appeals to find 'common ground' on a proposal to disarm Iraq

BY EDITH M. LEDERER

Associated Press Writer

UNITED NATIONS — U.N. Secretary-General Kofi Annan appealed to a deeply divided Security Council on Tuesday to find common ground on Iraq, saying he is optimistic of an agreement. But some council members said they weren't so hopeful.

The United States has been pressing for a vote next week on a resolution to give U.N. backing for a war, though it doesn't currently have the nine "yes" votes needed. White House spokesman Ari Fleischer said Tuesday the vote was "desirable" but "not necessary," leaving open the possibility that the United States would not call for one.

U.S. Ambassador John Negroponte, asked if the United States would withdraw the resolution if it didn't have enough votes, said: "We believe that support should be there and we're not facing that kind of situation," he said. "I think we'll cross that bridge if and when we come to it, but we don't think we should have to come to that point."

But Annan's appeal and the possible change in U.S. tactics reflect the polarization in the Security Council that appears to have hardened in recent days. Many undecided council members have called for a compromise among the key powers — but the two camps are so far apart that diplomats said there have been no substantive talks.

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Friday on Iraq's cooperation, Annan called on the council to unite, as it did last November in unanimously adopting a resolution that gave Iraq a final opportunity to disarm or face serious consequences.

"The members have different positions, and of course, I hope through the discussions and the exchange of views they might be able to find some common ground to move forward," Annan said at a private luncheon with the 15 Security Council ambassadors.

Asked whether he was optimistic that this might happen, Annan replied: "I am optimistic."

But other council members were less hopeful of resolving the council split that has left the United States, Britain and Spain supporting authorization for war but France, Russia, Germany and China backing inspections at least into July.

"People have to work together to find some solution," said Chile's U.N. Ambassador Gabriel Valdes, whose country has been interested in a Canadian compromise proposal for benchmarks Iraq would have to meet by the end of the month.

But when asked the prospects of a council agreement, Valdes said, "I don't know — I really don't know."

Bulgaria's U.N. Ambassador Stefan Tsvetkov, whose country is considered to be in the U.S. camp, was even more pessimistic.

"Everybody talks about compromise but I can't see one," he said. "I'm afraid that positions have hardened instead of coming closer, and it's harder now to achieve the unity of the council."

U.S. soldiers wait for toilet paper and other supplies

BY KIMBERLY HEFLING

Associated Press Writer

CAMP NEW JERSEY, Kuwait — As they set up this sprawling camp on Tuesday, soldiers in the 101st Airborne awaited helicopters, Humvees and other crucial supplies — such as 52,000 rolls of toilet paper.

Supplies of toilet paper are so low, soldiers said they were rationing their remaining rolls.

Word of the crisis has gotten back to the division's home in Fort Campbell, Ky., where troops boarding planes to the Gulf were told to carry a handy roll in their carryon pack along with the rations known as Meals Ready-to-Eat.

"You've got guys going to war with their ammunition, their rolls of toilet paper, and their MREs," joked Col. Michael Linnington, the commander of the 3rd Brigade.

The shortages should be temporary, a casualty of the sweeping process of moving thousands of troops halfway across the world for duty in the Gulf. At the moment, the division's supplies, everything from tents to ammunition, are aboard a ship in the Indian Ocean, but should arrive soon.

Maj. Gen. David H. Petraeus, commanding general of the division, said 13,500 soldiers in the 101st have arrived

in Kuwait and, as far as the Army is concerned, things are working out just fine.

"We are ahead of schedule," Petraeus said as he strode the grounds of Camp New Jersey as troops conducted trench warfare drills. "This baby is on track."

As far as deployments go, things here are actually pretty good. Troops are getting hot food, warm blankets and showers three times a week — though the army is encouraging soldiers to turn off the water while they scrub so there's enough for everyone.

The Army has also set up computers for soldiers to send E-mail, a barber shop and post exchange.

Pulling it together has been tough for Maj. Michael Seering, a 38-year-old reservist from Green Bay, Wisc., who acts as the camp's "mayor." An Army reservist with the 19th Core Material Maintenance Command, he has faced unusual obstacles — like when the mess hall collapsed in heavy wind.

"We are living like kings in this camp and I really cannot complain at all," Davis said.

Seering, technology sales consultant, was surprised to find himself here so soon. He received word last week that his reserve unit was activated. Two days later, he was on his way to Kuwait.

The folks in the 101st are waiting for another event Wednesday. That's when an advance supply of toilet paper should arrive.

Airport explosion



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Police inspect the front terminal at the Davao City International Airport in southern Philippines following a powerful explosion on Tuesday. A bomb hidden in a backpack exploded killing at least 19 people, including an American missionary, and wounding nearly 150, authorities said.

N. Korean interception of U.S. reconnaissance raises tension

BY CHRISTOPHER TORCHIA

Associated Press Writer

SEOUL, South Korea — After North Korean fighter jets intercepted a U.S. reconnaissance plane, the communist country said Tuesday the threat of armed confrontation on the Korean Peninsula was growing because of what it called U.S. aggression.

North Korea did not comment on the interception of the plane. Its state-run media instead criticized annual U.S.-South Korean military exercises that began Tuesday, saying they were preparation for an attack. The exercise, named Foal Eagle, ends April 2.

"This Foal Eagle exercise is escalating the danger of armed clashes on the Korean Peninsula," said Minju Joson, a North Korean newspaper.

"If the eagle swoops down on us, a nuclear war will break out and it is clear that the whole Korean nation will not escape nuclear holocaust," said the report, which was monitored by South Korea's Yonhap news agency.

North Korea routinely condemns such exercises, but the belligerent rhetoric and the interception of the American plane come amid fears the North could make nuclear bombs within months.

U.S. military officials say the annual maneuver is "defense-oriented" and is not related to the nuclear dispute.

Lt. Cmdr. Jeff Davis, a Pentagon spokesman, said four North Korean fighter jets had approached the U.S. plane over the Sea of Japan on Sunday, coming as close as 50 feet. One used its radar to identify the plane as a target, but there was no hostile fire, he said.

Davis said it was the first such incident since 1969, when a North Korean plane shot down a U.S. Navy EC-121 surveillance plane, killing all 31 Americans aboard.

In Washington, White House spokesman Ari Fleischer said President Bush "believes that the issue of North Korea can be handled diplomatically."

"This is a matter that we will protest and we're talking to our allies about best

manner to do that," Fleischer said, adding that "North Korea continues to engage in provocative, and now reckless actions. And North Korea engages in these actions as a way of saying, pay me. That will not happen."

In a commentary, North Korea's Minju Joson described Bush as "a political illiterate and a shameless impostor who has dull senses of the times."

The newspaper also appealed to South Koreans, who host 37,000 U.S. soldiers on their soil, to join North Korea in resisting the United States.

The interception of the U.S. plane appeared to be part of an effort to pressure the United States into negotiations on chief North Korean aims: a nonaggression treaty and economic aid.

"The reckless move is a signal to the United States at a time when Washington pays little attention to North Korea's repeated demand for direct dialogue," said Lee Suk-soo, a military studies professor at the National Defense College in Seoul.

North Korea on Tuesday reiterated its demand for a nonaggression pact, saying through Radio Pyongyang that it was "to remove an unreasonable U.S. threat, not to gain something." The radio was monitored by Yonhap.

Washington, which is preparing for a possible war against Iraq, says it will not be blackmailed into concessions and that North Korea's efforts to develop nuclear weapons are a multilateral issue. The U.N. Security Council is expected to debate the matter.

North Korea test-fired a missile into the sea off its east coast on the eve of South Korean President Roh Moo-hyun's inauguration last week.

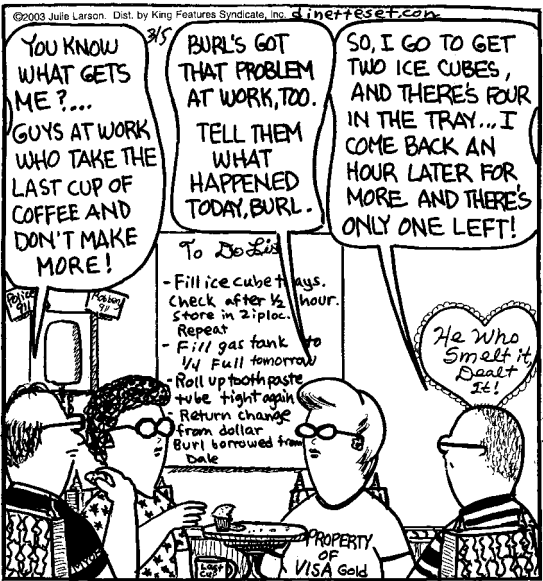
On Feb. 20, a North Korean MiG-19 warplane crossed over the South's western sea border, but retreated after South Korean jets flew to the area.

Last week, U.S. officials said North Korea had restarted a nuclear reactor that is at the center of a suspected weapons program. The reactor could yield enough plutonium for an atomic bomb in about a year, experts say.

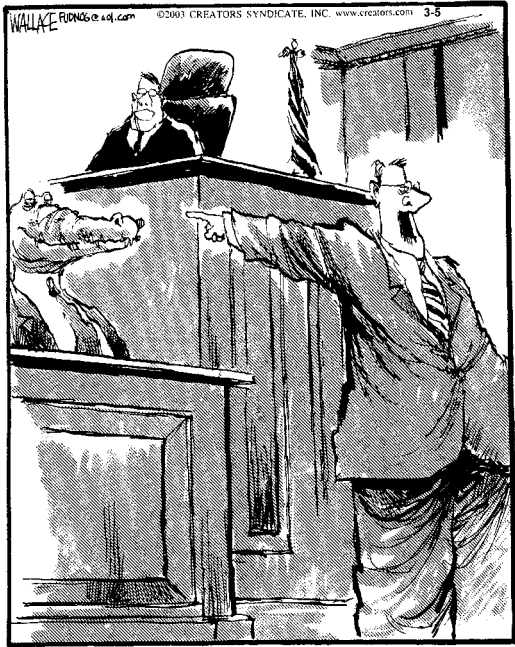


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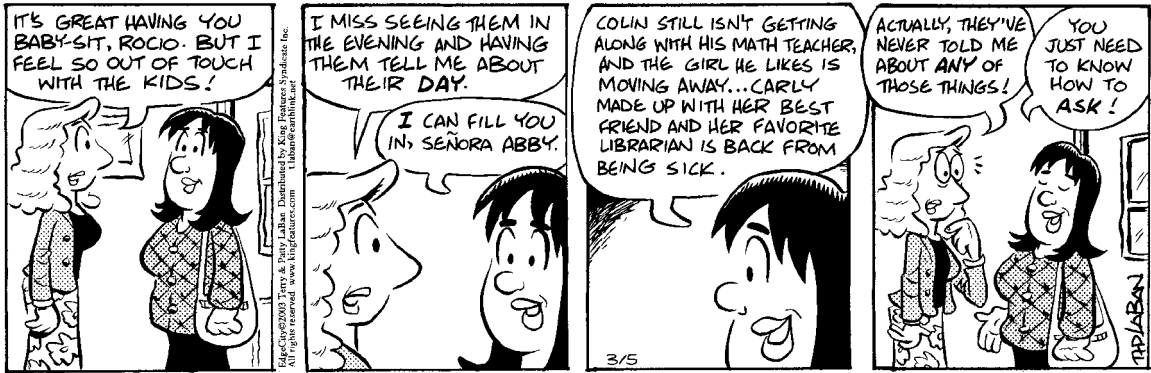
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Chargers to renegotiate lease with Qualcomm Stadium

BY SETH HETTENA

Associated Press Writer

SAN DIEGO — In a move that outraged the city's mayor, the Chargers decided Tuesday to trigger an "out" clause in their lease at Qualcomm Stadium and start talks with the city about a new venue.

The decision to trigger the renegotiation clause, which had been expected, opens a 90-day window to come to a new stadium deal with the city and begins a process that could end with the team moving out of San Diego.

"The start of this process does not signal that the team intends to leave San Diego," said Mark Fabiani, a former Clinton White House lawyer who is serving as special counsel to the Chargers. "We have no intention of talking to any other city as we begin a negotiation process with the city of San Diego."

Mayor Dick Murphy said the team was short-circuiting the city's good-faith process to review the Chargers' demand for a new stadium. The City Council had scheduled a March 18 hearing on a final report on ways to keep the team in the city done by a citizens task force.

"I'm outraged by the Chargers triggering today," Murphy said. "I think the Chargers' action is a

slap in the face of the Chargers task force, the San Diego City Council and the public."

The mayor said there would be no formal stadium negotiations before the March 18 hearing and added that the timing of the Chargers move Tuesday could hurt the process.

"This will aggravate the relationship between the city and the Chargers and that's not helpful," Murphy said. "Either they don't care what the mayor and the City Council think or they have the most inept public relations outfit in San Diego."

If no agreement is reached with the city over the next 90 days, the Chargers could seek offers over the next 18 months from another city, such as Los Angeles.

San Diego has the right to match another city's offer. Otherwise, the Chargers can terminate the lease. The team could not leave San Diego — its home since 1961 — before the end of the 2003 football season.

The Chargers say they are prepared to discuss ways the team could cover the full cost of a \$400 million stadium, Fabiani said.

The citizens task force recommended last month that the team pay for the construction of the new stadium in exchange for the right to redevelop the 166-acre

Qualcomm site.

"We think this proposal deserves careful study and that, under the right conditions, it may work," Fabiani said. "We are eager to sit down with the city to explore the possibilities."

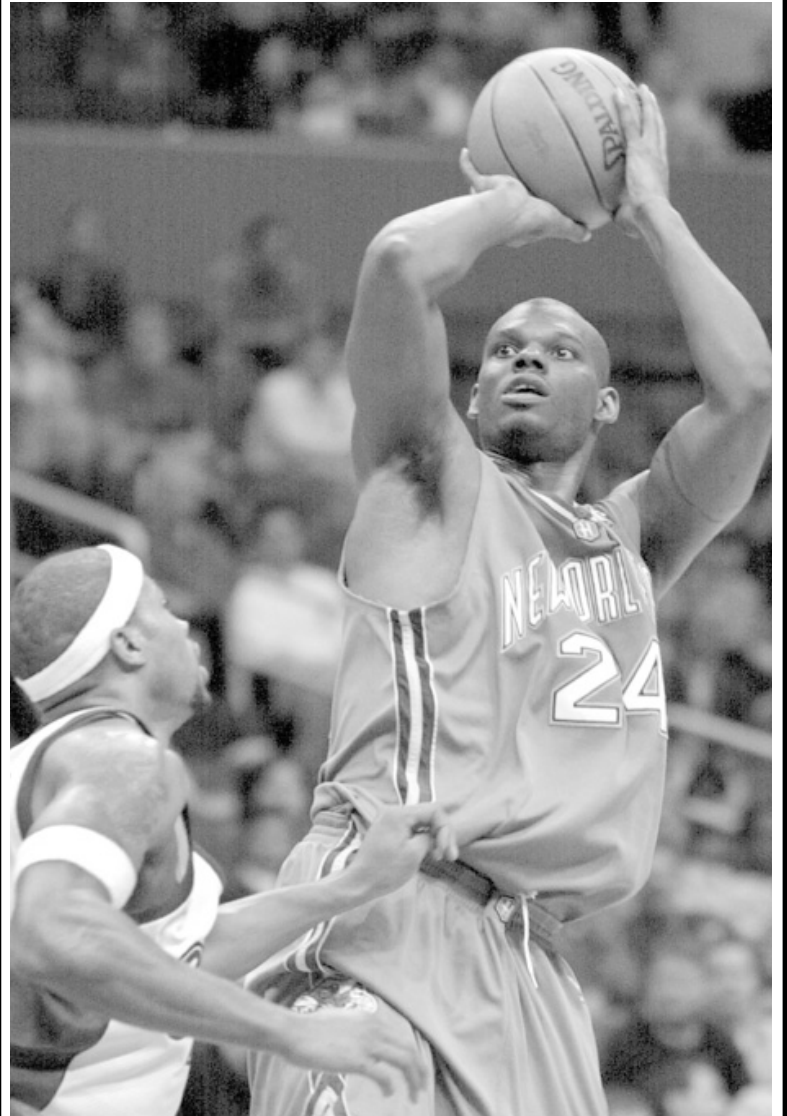
The Chargers say the franchise needs a new stadium to remain economically competitive with other NFL teams that have moved into 19 new stadiums over the past decade. The team has been criticized for failing to fully disclose its finances that justify the claim.

Fabiani reiterated an offer to allow city officials to review the complicated trigger calculations and the data supporting the conclusion.

The Chargers' current lease is controversial because of the trigger clause and a section that guarantees the team revenue equal to the sale of 60,000 general admission tickets for each home game until 2007. The city has already paid the Chargers more than \$25 million under the guarantee.

"This renegotiation process is the agreed-upon way for the city and the Chargers to take the first steps toward changing the current lease and eliminating the ticket guarantee — and toward a sensible plan for the stadium site," Fabiani said.

Mashburn squashes Clippers



Ric Francis/Associated Press

New Orleans Hornets' Jamal Mashburn scores over Los Angeles Clippers' Corey Maggette during the fourth quarter Monday at Staples Center in Los Angeles. Mashburn scored 35 points and had 10 assists in the Hornets' 111-108 win.

Rice, Brown will stay in Oakland

By The Associated Press

Jerry Rice suggested last season he might play until he's 45. Now he has a contract that will pay him until he's 46.

"It could happen," Jim Steiner, Rice's agent, said after his client signed a six-year, \$30 million deal Tuesday that helped the Oakland Raiders with their salary-cap problems.

"He takes it year-to-year based on how he feels and how he's playing. Who knows?"

The 40-year-old Rice is the league's career leader in receptions (1,456), yards receiving (21,597) and touchdowns scored (203).

The Raiders' other venerable wideout, 36-year-old Tim Brown, also signed a restructured contract. The Raiders, by some accounts, were as much as \$50 million over the cap.

Dallas, meanwhile, signed another veteran, fullback Richie Anderson. He'll be reunited with Bill Parcells, who coached him with the New York Jets. Also, Houston re-signed inside linebacker Jay Foreman, who led the expansion team in tackles last season, and Miami re-signed punter Mark Royals.

Seattle re-signed outside linebacker Anthony Simmons to a five-year deal worth more than \$23 million, including a signing bonus of at least \$7.5 million.

Cornerback Dexter McCleon

agreed to terms with Kansas City. The former St. Louis Ram lost his starting job to Dre' Bly last year. Now the Rams have neither of them — Bly signed with Detroit last week.

The Eagles acquired linebacker Mark Simoneau in a trade with the Falcons and gave him a five-year contract. He's expected to replace Shawn Barber, who signed with the Chiefs on Monday. Atlanta will receive a sixth-round draft choice this year and a fourth-round pick in 2004.

Another busy team in free agency, the New York Giants, solved some of their special teams woes, agreeing to terms with veteran punter Jeff Feagles, formerly of Seattle, and long snapper Ryan Kuehl, late of Cleveland.

The agreements came hours after New York re-signed backup quarterback Jason Garrett, cornerback Kato Serwanga, tackle Barrett Brooks and linebacker Brad Rice.

Washington made an offer to Green Bay Packers restricted free agent safety Matt Bowen and the Packers have one week to match. If the Packers let him go, they'll receive a sixth-round draft pick from the Redskins.

Jerry Rice, who joined the Raiders in 2001, had 92 catches for 1,211 yards and seven touchdowns last season, his 18th in the NFL. With Brown and fourth-year man Jerry Porter, he gives

the AFC champions one of the NFL's top receiving trios for Rich Gannon, the league's MVP.

"They were as productive as any receiver trio in recent memory," Raiders senior assistant Bruce Allen said of Brown, Rice and Porter. "We're happy to have them back, and I'm sure Rich Gannon is, as well."

The 31-year-old Anderson, entering his 11th season, was one of the NFL's top pass-catching running backs under Parcells and Al Groh, catching 88 passes and making the Pro Bowl in 2000.

With Herman Edwards as coach and a new offense under coordinator Paul Hackett, he fell to 85 receptions in the past two seasons combined. Over his 10-year career, he has 305 catches for 2,449 yards and has rushed for 722 yards and a 3.8 yard average.

The hiring of Ray Rhodes as defensive coordinator helped convince Simmons to stay with the Seahawks.

"It's a match made in heaven," Simmons said. "I think Ray and I are going to be a perfect fit together. He understands my abilities and the way I play the game. I think he's going to utilize all my talent."

"I had my choices of where I wanted to go, where I could end up. With Ray coming in, it was, 'I've got to do whatever I can do to come back to Seattle.'"

Dodgers pitcher does not remember accident

BY JOHN NADEL

AP Sports Writer

VERO BEACH, Fla. — Minor league pitcher Masao Kida of the Los Angeles Dodgers claims to remember little about the head-on collision he was involved in Saturday night and hopes his career won't be interrupted for long.

Kida, 34, spoke with reporters at Dodgertown on Tuesday night, a day after being released from the hospital.

Authorities said the accident occurred at 7:18 p.m. Saturday.

On crutches and wearing a boot on his right foot, Kida said his heel and lower back were a little sore, but otherwise he was progressing well.

"The doctor told me I'll have to have this brace on for about one week and not to do any strenuous activity for about one month," he said through an interpreter.

Tepei Shiohara, a passenger in the vehicle driven by Kida and the interpreter for Dodgers pitchers Hideo Nomo and Kazuhisa Ishii, remained hospitalized in Orlando.

A team spokesman said the

27-year-old Shiohara is expected to make a full recovery. He had surgery to remove a ruptured spleen and repair a torn bowel on Saturday night and exploratory surgery Monday.

Kida said the two were going to Orlando when the accident occurred. Authorities said the other vehicle was driven by David Eugene Butler, 26, of Orlando, who was not seriously injured.

"What I do remember is not knowing exactly how to get to Orlando but getting on this one road and feeling comfortable I was heading in the right direction," Kida said. "When I was hit, the next thing I remember was waking up in the hospital."

Kida said he hadn't spoken with Shiohara but hoped to as soon as possible.

Kida signed a minor league contract with the Dodgers last month. He pitched in the majors for Detroit in 1999 and 2000 after a career in Japan. He was 1-0 with a 6.42 ERA in 51 games for the Tigers.

He said when playing for the Tigers and attending spring training in Lakeland, he had gone to Orlando a couple times so he knew how to get there.

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1st Annual Westside Business Expo presented by the Santa Monica Chamber of Commerce. The day program themed "Success at Work" features expert-led sessions in marketing, finance, technology and more. 8am to 6pm, Olympic Banquet and Conference Center, Olympic and Sawtelle, WLA. Tickets are \$60, (includes lunch and all breaks). For more information call (310)394-9825.

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BACK PAGE



Dirty dogs on the slopes

By The Associated Press

SUN VALLEY, Idaho — Here's some advice for skiers near the Sawtooth National Recreational Area: Clean up your act.

The usually pristine ski trails north of Ketchum are noticeably less so this year as a growing number of skiers bring along their dogs, leaving their droppings along the way.

Courtesy Ski Patroller Cindy Hamlin picks up as many as 40 piles a day on a 4-mile section of the trail near the Sawtooth headquarters.

To keep the trails from turning into minefields, Blaine County Recreation District Trail Coordinator Shelley Preston has erected signs reminding skiers that county code requires dog owners to remove their pets' waste or face a \$300 fine.

Problem is, said Preston, some people have been filling the bags and then leaving them alongside the trails, as if they expect a garbage man to collect them.

"This year is the worst year we've ever had. We've gone through twice as many Pet Pick-Up bags as we did last year and we still have more dog waste along the trail," said Preston, who estimated 3,500 bags have been handed out so far.

'Rink rats' wed

By The Associated Press

CADILLAC, Mich. — Kelly Merchand and Mike Malmberg got a chilly start to married life.

The couple were married Saturday at the ice rink of the Wexford Civic Arena in front of friends, family and teammates from their league hockey teams. A DJ played a Detroit Red Wings theme song.

Merchand and Malmberg wore hockey jerseys and pastor Bryan McConnell performed the ceremony while wearing a black-and-white striped referee's jersey.

A huge cake designed to emulate the Stanley Cup awaited the newlyweds, who clearly aren't your everyday hockey fans.

"We just wanted something unique," Merchand said after the Saturday wedding.

Tom Gray, who served as the couple's wedding planner, said this was the first wedding at the Cadillac rink and an appropriate ceremony for the couple.

"They're regular rink rats, they're here all the time," said Gray.

On the menu for the reception were food, beer — and a hockey game.

7-person town for sale

By The Associated Press

AMBOY, Calif. — The owners of this tiny desert town hope to get some clicks on Route 66 when they put it up for auction on the Web this week.

Timothy White and Walt Wilson intend this week to list the postage-stamp town on auction site eBay Inc., said Rob McManus, estates director for San Marino-based Dilbeck Realtors.

Amboy, population seven, has remained unsold since it was put up for sale for \$1.9 million in October, McManus said Monday. White and Wilson bought the

town for an undisclosed amount several years ago.

"We kept it alive — we got it going again. It's just we have a lot of other things we're doing, we're involved in. We thought it was time for someone else to take it over," Wilson said.

The highest bidder will get a package that includes the 150-acre town, post office, motel, cafe, gas station, church, gift shop, two landing strips, four antique vehicles and about 540 acres of surrounding land divided in five noncontiguous parcels, McManus said.

Amboy was founded in 1858 as a mining town. It is about a 3 1/2-hour drive from Los Angeles.

Pets on stage

By The Associated Press

FARGO, N.D. — Jacoby the beagle was more interested in sniffing the competitors than in beating them.

The dog's owner, Deb Haarsager, tried to prompt him by singing "Amazing Grace," but it didn't work.

"He always howls along," Haarsager said.

Jacoby was among some 25 dogs and cats taking part in the Fargo-Moorhead Opera's first talent show for pets last weekend.

Purebreds and mixed breeds competed in five categories, including stage antics, singing and howling.

"There's a belief that opera is elitist," said Becky Sundet-Schoenwald, executive director. "We're trying to break down those barriers. Something like this might make people more likely to check us out. Opera is for everyone."

The judges were both generous and forgiving of the four-legged competitors.

Tiger, a Lab and springer spaniel mix, couldn't calm down long enough to sing along to the harmonica blues played by his owner, Dan Johnson of Moorhead, Minn.

"That's OK," said judge David Hamilton. "Stage fright happens to everybody."

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