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NEWS OF THE WEIRD

by Chuck Shepard

■ Thinking Outside the Box: It was a black male police officer who arrested her, and a black female officer who searched her, and drunk-driving suspect Donna Mills, who is a black New York City judge, still played the race card at her March trial. According to a New York Post report, Mills' lawyer said that the presence of the black officers meant that Mills' race-card defense was being undermined, and that that in itself might be evidence of police racism. (Mills was acquitted, but in subsequent interviews, jurors said the racism argument was inconsequential.)

■ In Los Angeles in February, Michael Marks, 25, raising an insanity defense to attempted murder, said he was drugged at the time of the crime because someone on a balcony above him had spilled PCP on top of his head and that it must have affected his thinking. (He was convicted.) And Michael Cammarota, 57, asked a judge in New York City in February not to imprison him for engineering a multi-victim investment fraud but rather to send him to a mental institution because he needs help with what he called his "addiction" to "money." (He got four to 12 years.)

QUOTE OF THE DAY

"Copy from one, it's plagiarism; copy from two, it's research."

— Wilson Mizner

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'Hedge police' put crackdown on hold

Prosecutors will wait to enforce law

(Editor's note: This is the second article in an ongoing series examining City Hall's hedge law.)

BY JOHN WOOD

Daily Press Staff Writer

CITY HALL — Prosecutors this week temporarily called off a crackdown on illegal front hedges throughout Santa Monica that stand taller than three and a half feet.

About 200 households citywide recently were targeted under the

law, which also limits back and side yard hedge heights to eight feet. Violators were ordered to clip their greens within 30 days or be fined \$25,000 a day — up to a maximum of \$500,000.

Upset residents flooded City Hall with complaints, crediting the hedges with providing much-needed privacy, shade and character to their neighborhoods. Although some are only inches above the legal limit for hedge heights, others tower 20 to 30 feet high.

Among those targeted was a group of residents that live in a million-dollar homes along Adelaide Drive in northern Santa Monica —

including Bobby Shriver, Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger's brother-in-law, and Alvin Sargent, an accomplished film writer. Both questioned the impetus for the recent enforcement and City Hall's priorities.

"What is the right thing for the people?" asked Shriver, who has lived in Santa Monica for 27 years. "And should Lincoln Boulevard have the same rules as 23rd Street? And why do people walk up Adelaide all day long? It's got to be something about the pretty trees there."

Shriver's frustration was echoed by local attorney Chris Harding, who's been retained by two resi-

dents — one on Adelaide Drive and another north of Montana Avenue. Unless there is a safety issue, Harding said City Hall should leave the hedge owners alone.

"I think they have too many enforcement staff with not enough serious business to do," added Harding, who called the recent hedge crackdown by City Hall officials heavy-handed and clumsy. "They are citing people for rear hedges on the alley on Adelaide which have been there for many, many decades ... This is enforcement run amok."

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Downtown design: Santa Monica's \$200,000 question

Interim law governing new buildings extended three years

BY JOHN WOOD

Daily Press Staff Writer

COUNCIL CHAMBERS — A debate over the size and shape of new buildings in downtown Santa Monica might last another three years, even after City Hall paid a consultant nearly \$200,000 to study the issue.

Some want narrower streets downtown that allow for wider sidewalks, and taller buildings with courtyard patios. Others think the area is already too dense and want City Hall to set stricter parameters on what developers

can build.

The City Council this week voted 4-2 to extend until March of 2007 an interim ordinance governing new buildings downtown. More public input needs to be heard before a formal plan is drafted, council members said.

"We're getting many poor designs," said City Councilman Ken Genser. "We're getting an uninteresting downtown which isn't pleasantly scaled."

Genser said it likely will be at least a couple of years before officials can listen to public comment and craft an ordinance that fits the land-use plan for all of Santa Monica. But others want to see the process move quicker.

"I'm going to see what we can

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Case of the jitterbug



Carolyn Sackariason/Daily Press

Roy Acker twirls his wife, Ruby, on the Third Street Promenade during Senior Day on Thursday. Dozens of Santa Monica's seniors gathered for lunch and dancing.

Music to their ears: Arts festival kicks off today

By Daily Press staff

SM PIER — Today is the kick-off of two and a half days of arts and music — highlighted by legendary musician Jackson Browne — to raise money for local schools.

The free weekend festival, "Celebration For The Arts 2004," will be held at the Santa Monica

Pier. Organizers hope to raise \$100,000, which will be put toward a larger, \$15 million fund-raising campaign.

"For The Arts" is a campaign launched by local parents two years ago. For the Arts plans to create a \$15 million endowment so programs in music, visual arts,

dance and drama are in every school throughout the district. Since its inception, For the Arts has raised \$1.5 million.

The weekend's festivities begin with a VIP reception and live auction at the pier carousel at 5:30 p.m. The reception will feature a live auction conducted by mem-

bers from the cast of Emmy Award winning show, "The West Wing." At 8:30 p.m., Browne will perform with a band called Venice at Barnum Hall on the Santa Monica High School Campus. Browne lives in the area, is a member of the For The Arts Honorary

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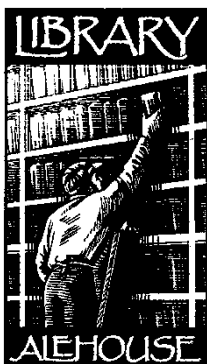
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The stars show the kind of day you'll have:

★★★★-Dynamic ★★★★★-Positive ★★-Average
★★-So-so ★-Difficult



ARIES (March 21-April 19)

★★★★ Use the daylight hours and your charm to zero in on what you want. You have an unusually pleasant manner that draws others to your camp. Brainstorm; ideas will flourish in this atmosphere. Groups work for you. Tonight: Take some private time.



TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

★★★★ Use today for your highest good, be it professionally or personally. Your leadership characteristics come out. You express a deeper understanding of someone in charge than he or she has of him- or herself. Tonight: A meeting proves to be lucky.



GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

★★★★ Do your research, and others will be taken by your abilities and knowledge. A meeting helps you get others on your team. Work as late as necessary. Be ready to make the needed choices. Your laughter helps others relax. Tonight: Work late.



CANCER (June 21-July 22)

★★★★ A partner clearly wants to chip in and help. Your concerns could be overwhelming. Share them with a partner you trust. You will feel that the load has become lightened. Detach as well. See other ways around the problem. Tonight: Relax your mind. Watch a movie, listen to music or hop on the computer.



LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

★★★★ Others seek you out, but understand that you are in the position where you might want to say little and listen a lot. You might not want to do this, but you will gain ultimately. Be gentle with someone at a distance. Tonight: Opt for togetherness.



VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

★★★★ Plunge into work with the full expectation of getting the job done. Still, a flirtation in the office or workplace could be a touch distracting. Do you really want to mix the two? Others seek you out later in the day. Tonight: So many options, so little time.



LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

★★★★ Ever playful, you might have difficulty settling in and listening to someone's issues. Try very hard to do just that, as this person needs your time and attention. Postpone work as long as you can. Ultimately, people are more important. Tonight: Now, dig into work.



SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

★★★★ Family comes first. Because of this, you might opt to bring your work home or finally make that decision about a home office. Your ability to find solutions emerges later today. Use this skill for yourself as well as for others. Tonight: You could become quite naughty.



SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

★★★★ Keep conversations going and don't drop the ball. Your imagination and openness to others help make (nearly) anything possible. You do need to take the initiative. Return calls. Schedule meetings. Tonight: Get some extra zzz's.



CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

★★★★ You might want to think before you leap into action right now, especially if the matter involves home, real estate and/or daily life. Adding to the quality of your life might be just what the doctor ordered. Tonight: Price this item or talk it through with family.



AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

★★★★ You have the right words to draw out someone who sometimes wants to hide away. Others pitch right in and add their support. Know that you are on a winning streak. Act accordingly. Others will respond accordingly as well. Tonight: Ask. Don't get shy now.



PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

★★★★ Hold your tongue and listen more. A money arrangement could work for you if you stop trying to put in your two cents. Besides, nothing is a go without your permission or your OK. You can afford to lie back and have others put their cards on the table. Tonight: Nap first, then decide.

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LOCAL

Local nurses get a large dose of TLC this week

By Daily Press staff

Hundreds of nurses were honored Wednesday as part of a week-long appreciation effort.

National Nurses Week is a time to appreciate what nurses contribute to patient care in their communities. This year, the week was celebrated May 6-12 across the country. At Saint John's Health Center, the hospital and medical staff showed the more than 430 nurses how much they appreciate the professional care they provide.

"We get hundreds of letters each year from patients who have benefited from the outstanding personal and professional skills of our nursing staff," said Mary Ellen Blakley, vice president of patient care at Saint John's Health Center. "We're incredibly proud of our nurses and the contribution they make to helping our patients heal."

To show their appreciation, the hospital sent massage therapists to both the day and night shifts, provided health screenings, delivered cookies, scheduled speakers and held an appreciation dinner on May 12.

Nurses at Saint John's come from a variety of backgrounds and bring different skills and experience to the bedside. Some of them include:

■ Veteran labor and delivery nurse Marquina Munoz Freedman, who joined the Saint John's staff 10 years ago after working at several area hospitals. Freedman has loved babies since she was a girl, and has dedicated herself to helping others, especially new mothers. She has just begun teaching prenatal classes for a Santa Monica OB/GYN practice and also is a massage therapist with private clients. She lives in Venice with her husband, a professional paddleball player.

■ Raul Meza, 34, a charge nurse in the ICU, who speaks both Spanish and English. Meza appreciates the importance of being able to communicate to patients in their own language and has made it priority to help recruit more Spanish-speaking nurses. Meza speaks to student groups who come to Saint John's and at job fairs at local colleges, helping to educate young Hispanic men and women about the benefits of nursing. He's also mentored several family members who also have gone on to become nurses. Meza says he loves to be able to serve patients and their families in times of crisis. He lives in Canoga Park.



Nicky Five Aces/Special to the Daily Press
Saint John's nurse Nikki Luederitz is held high by patient lift team members David Brown (right) and Eric Batiste (left) on Wednesday during an appreciation dinner celebrating National Nurses Week. The dinner featured a skit set to the music of "Dancing Queen," in which several cardiology nurses, members of the lift team and other medical staff performed.

■ Tim Meck, 48, has been an ER nurse at Saint John's for more than 24 years — by far the longest in the department. He's always been interested in medicine — he volunteered at a hospital while in high school, worked in an operating room and was an EMT before attending nursing school. Meck says he loves the never-knowing-what-comes-next aspect of the ER. He cares deeply for people in need and finds his job very gratifying. He's a nighttime charge nurse, overseeing the staff and caring for patients.

One of Meck's most memorable patients was a 30-year-old man who came to the ER with a severe asthma attack. The young man had stopped breathing and his heart had almost stopped. It was only because of the quick work of Meck and the staff at Saint John's that he lived. Just a few months ago, on the anniversary of his life-saving visit to the ER, the patient returned to the ER to thank Meck and the staff for their efforts and to give them a letter of thanks. It's now in one of Meck's five scrapbooks of memorable moments and awards he's won that his wife keeps for him. He lives in Thousand Oaks.

surf report

On Friday, look for a mix of both fading NW windswell and fading/leftover SSW. Average spots throughout the region see 1-3' surf (knee- to waist-high), while standout NW wind swell breaks in the north half of the South Bay see a few chest-high sets. Look for light and variable wind in the morning to switch to the W and build in the 8-15 knot range for the afternoon.

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The QLine

The draft of the 2004-05 budget is nearly complete. It will be released to the public within days. The Santa Monica City Council will hold a series of workshops open to the public at the end of this month. And while the budget is pretty much set, it is an opportunity for residents to understand where and how their money is spent. The final budget must be adopted by July.

So this week, Q-Line wants to know,

"If you had your way, where do you think the City Council should spend your money?"

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OPINION

LETTERS



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Headline in bad taste

Editor:

Bums fight bum in bumfight? (SMDP, May 12, page 3). Yikes. Might the headline writer have a point of view here? No doubt. In fact not even a possibility of doubt. Why would such a pejorative term be used once, let alone three times, in a headline? Why in the world would your newspaper use such a naked prejudice in a straight piece of journalism? Please in the future let the writer use the term only when referring to his/her posterior.

Forrest Murray
Santa Monica

Details on election info

Editor:

Thank you for John Wood's article, "Teacher unions flex political muscle" (SMDP, May 12, page 1). In an unprecedented effort, teachers and faculty will jointly endorse the best education candidates for the Santa Monica College Board of Trustees and the Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District Board of Education.

Questionnaires for potential candidates are available from Kelly Hayes-Raitt by calling (310) 474-5545. Questionnaires from trustee candidates are due Tuesday, May 18. Questionnaires from school board candidates are due Monday, May 24.

Only candidates who complete questionnaires will be considered for an endorsement by the Santa Monica College Faculty Association and the Santa Monica-Malibu Classroom Teachers Association.

Endorsements of the candidates who best reflect students' educational needs will be announced June 9.

Kelly Hayes-Raitt
Santa Monica

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Compromise bad for SM schools, good for politicians



MY WRITE

By Bill Bauer

The dust has finally settled around the aborted Community for Excellent Public Schools funding ballot initiative.

It would have created a city charter amendment requiring Santa Monica to allocate 4 percent of designated general fund revenues or \$6 million — whichever was greater — plus up to 8 percent of additional monies as city revenues increased. If CEPS had qualified for the fall ballot and received voter approval, it would have required permanent funding of schools by City Hall.

However, a compromise has rendered the proposed CEPS initiative moot. Meetings between school supporters, Santa Monica/Malibu Unified School District Superintendent John Deasy and City Manager Susan McCarthy resulted in an agreement that calls for the city to give \$6 million annually to the school district for five years. A "less expensive" cost of living increase will add to the dollar figure in years ahead.

There are questions about the compromise. Some say that despite a contract, in years to come the City Council could change its mind and alter the agreement. And, then there's the issue of whether this City Council can order a long-term spending commitment that future City Councils would have to uphold. Municipal ordinance 2.69.010 (f), known as the 1994 Public Safety Act, for example, placed a cap on city funds that could be allocated for homeless services, but the city attorney since ruled the ordinance was unenforceable because it placed unreasonable limitations on future City Councils' ability to govern and control budgets.

It seems that everyone wanted an alternative to CEPS. As the initiative came closer to qualifying for the ballot, its own supporters were getting cold feet. There were complaints about Malibu and the non-resident "permit" holders (who make up 40 percent of the district's students) ducking a financial stake. Voters carping about two recent, school-related tax increases and a lack of financial oversight increased fears that CEPS might not win voter approval after all.

City Hall fretted about a sizable and growing, permanent fiscal obligation that could take away from other city operations such as public safety.

Santa Monicans For Renters Rights leaders feared a serious party split if the

CEPS initiative made the ballot. There's no way this was going to happen in an organization whose strength is its consistent agreement on agenda and policy.

Both the SMRR-controlled school board and City Council approved the compromise in the past week. So, who are the winners and losers?

SMRR co-chair Denny Zane, a CEPS founder and Ralph Mechur, a SMRR steering committee member, as well as a CEPS leader, were both solidly behind the initiative. City Council SMRRs such as Mayor Richard Bloom and Councilmen Michael Feinstein and Ken Genser were firmly against it. Bloom, Feinstein and Genser, up for reelection this November, had won SMRR endorsements in previous campaigns.

CEPS supporters vowed to label any person opposing their measure as being "anti-education, anti-children and anti-schools." A SMRR endorsed, anti-measure slate could suffer the anti-school stigma. But the thought of SMRR not supporting its three incumbents and acknowledging front runners was unthinkable.

On the other hand, there also were concerns that the powerful police, fire and municipal employees unions vociferously against the measure might not endorse SMRR's pro-CEPS candidates. Other long-standing alliances could've also unraveled. There was no choice but to strike a deal, and SMRR leaders worked feverishly to make that happen.

With the matter resolved, a rancorous squabble over school funding is no longer a concern. For the most part, they're one, big, happy family for now. So, SMRR emerges a big winner.

Non-SMRR candidates for office are big losers. They've lost a key issue to use against long-entrenched SMRR office holders. A hair-pulling, eye-scratching SMRR rift would have given opposition candidates their best chance in years to win City Council and school board seats. And, of course, those who worked so hard on the CEPS initiative also lost out.

But the biggest losers are our schools. The compromise falls way short of what the schools would have received if the CEPS proposal were approved by voters. Even Deasy said, "CEPS would at least double this."

So once again, they've shortchanged our kids. Because of political game playing, education has once again fallen victim to political expediency SMRR style.

(Bill Bauer is a longtime Santa Monica resident and a freelance writer.)

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OPINION



Making lemons into lemonade and more

PISTACHIO PERSPECTIVE

By Susan Ann Connor



As she lay there in her sick bed, the nurse lightly tapped on her door. The response was barely audible. "Come in," she weakly murmured.

The cheery caretaker waltzed in with a tray displaying a lone lemon on it. "Your elixir, madam," she said, bowing to her patient.

Sitting up against the backboard of her four poster bed, the woman's eyes lit up at the sight of the yellow fruit. "Dang, I feel better already," she chimed.

She, meaning me, suddenly woke up and dashed to the fridge for a swig of lemonade. God, it tasted great. After a second, then a third swig, I meandered in my soporific state back to bed to evaluate the nuances of my dream. I didn't get very far, however, and fell back into slumber, feeling rather sweet, and tart.

Hmmmm ... exactly, what is it about the lemon? Indeed, as in my dream, the lemon, even the mere appearance of it, lightens our load. I've always liked lemons, but lately I seem to be obsessed with them. I didn't really notice until my friend Clare was over the other day and noticed for me.

"Wow, you really do like lemons, don't you?" she said with a big fat grin.

"What do you mean?" I said with a big fat grin back, squeezing an umpteenth lemon for a cake I was making for a friend's birthday.

My eyes darted around trying to catch up with her observation. First, I saw the cake, then the bowl of lemons on the kitchen table, then the tall glass of lemonade I had offered Clare, then the citrus dishwashing soap, a candy jar full of lemon drops, a most excellent rendition of a lemon by my young niece ... and all this just within eyesight.

"Well, don't you?" I asked watching her voraciously suck on a lemon drop.

"Yeah, I do. Rate it about a nine out of

10 for fruit flavors," she said.

My curiosity built how others, besides Clare, rated the holy lemon. So, I e-mailed 10 friends (male and female) to rank the fruit, one to 10. There were six 10s, two sevens, one five ... and one zero. The zero once had a bad experience with "the loathsome lemon," he said. I asked no further questions to that survey member.

But there seems to be good reason for the high percentage of lemon lovers. First of all, it tastes good. It smells fresh and clean, always a good thing. It heals and helps release toxins (a glass of water with the juice of one lemon a day keeps the doctor away). It is an antioxidant, anti-ager, antidepressant, anti-septic, purifier, preservative and an insect repellent, just to name several.

Many of these lemon virtues are widely known, but I wondered if there were any hidden benefits of which I was unaware. So, I "googled" lemons. You'll never guess what I found: Contraceptives and Casanova.

Yup, they say lemon is a contraceptive. And Casanova used to load lots "a lemons in his napsack" when cavorting the streets of Venice, visiting his lady loves. Imagine. Upon arrival at the maiden's home, he'd pull out the fruit and announce, "It's lucky lemon time." At least he came prepared.

Evidently, the lemon juice kills sperm ... and was the most popular way to prevent pregnancy among Mediterranean women 300 years ago. Also interesting, there is actual research being done now to determine if lemons might kill the AIDS virus, especially in regards to assisting women in developing countries.

I have not yet pinpointed all the interpretations of my dream and what the fruit was trying to tell me, but I have established a new found lust for lemons. Except, I think I'll forego the lemon as contraceptive idea. So when the news is too much to take, the mosquitoes are too much to bear, or I need to preserve peaches, I will follow the ways of the lovely lemon tree.

Lalalala ...

(Susan Ann Connor can be reached at pistachiocolumn@aol.com. She has a luscious lemon cake recipe, and if you e-mail her, she would be happy to pass it along).

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LOCAL

Council members to discuss hedge law May 25

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It's unclear how old the hedge law is. Tim McCormick, head of City Hall's building department, said it dates back to at least 1948, and maybe earlier. But it wasn't until City Hall started hiring new code compliance officers that hedges were targeted, McCormick added.

"We are actually in the process of

updating the historical zoning information ... A lot of people are asking that question because in the zoning world that's a common concern — that people aren't being held to standards that are post facto ... It gets to be complicated," said McCormick, who added the recent enforcement effort was at the direction of elected officials.

McCormick said there are two key reasons for the law. First, hedges can cause

safety problems, especially at intersections or next to driveways, where they can block sight lines. Second, some residents complain they make homes look like "armed fortresses."

Citations are complaint driven, though McCormick said once staff members are called out to a particular residence, they also will cite violators in the surrounding area.

City Attorney Marsha Moutrie said she

won't pursue any of the hedge cases that have landed on her desk — except ones that represent a "clear threat to public safety" — until after the issue goes before the City Council, which is scheduled to take place on May 25. In those safety instances, Moutrie added, City Hall "would take the most limited enforcement route available."

Setting downtown standards might take years

DOWNTOWN, from page 1

do to speed this thing up," said City Councilman Herb Katz, who voted against extending the interim ordinance. "I think it's too long ... We could work on it now and get it done."

Katz criticized the parameters set in the interim ordinance and said developers are sometimes stuck in bureaucracy for 12 to 14 months or longer.

"It's hard to work with. It's such a low threshold," Katz said. "If we're going to wait three years, we're going to still have people waiting too long, and they're not going to come in. And especially small businesses ... We can't screw around with small business. They haven't got the money or the time."

As well as a desire to make the approval process easier for local business owners, City Hall is required by the state to provide more housing downtown. Developers have long reminded officials of that commitment through legal pressure.

At the Tuesday night City Council meeting, Mayor Richard Bloom and top

planning officials said even though the interim ordinance lasts until March of 2007, they intend to work diligently toward drafting new standards more quickly.

At issue are a series of mixed-use and residential developments along Fifth, Sixth and Seventh streets, as well as various other projects downtown. The interim ordinance governing downtown projects dates back to 2002.

Since then, City Hall hired the Roma Design Group, a consulting firm, to come up with a better design for downtown. For \$193,000, the consultants recommended narrowing streets and widening sidewalks, and letting developers build higher in exchange for courtyard patios. The idea was to slow down vehicle traffic and increase pedestrian traffic to make downtown more like a traditional European-style walking city.

Those recommendations have been met with mixed reactions. Architects and developers wonder if it's wise to push courtyards — which can be a bonus in some buildings. Others say the taller

buildings threaten to turn downtown streets into shadowy canyons that don't fit in within a California beach community.

"They want to build 65-foot high buildings with these air shafts in the middle called a courtyard," said Ellen Brennan, a local activist who organized a group against the Roma recommendations.

Another consultant suggestion was to bypass some of the public review process for projects that are 30,000 square feet or less and meet certain criteria. That suggestion was adamantly opposed by many residents and officials, who said public input is a crucial step for any project in Santa Monica.

Developers apparently agree. Chris Harding, a land use attorney who represents Howard Jacobs, a developer who owns many downtown properties, said public review shouldn't be cut out — though he suggested it could be sped up.

Harding added that some projects are approved in just a couple of months, while others take a year or longer to be approved by City Hall.

"I think the standards need work. What it means in the near term is people who want to pursue projects will have to muddle through, in a situation with a lack of clarity," Harding said. "There is no consensus between staff, (the Architectural Review Board) and the Planning Commission as far

as what they want to see in terms of design ... none of that is resolved, and so people who want to do a project have to make difficult decisions about what they want to do, in terms of design."

What happens next will depend on how diligently City Council members work toward finding suitable standards, Harding said. It also will depend on how much stock they place in the group of activists Brennan belongs to, which wants to steer away from the notion that downtown should be more densely developed.

"It's not a residential neighborhood. It's a place where you can concentrate more density — residentially and commercially," Harding said. "I think the critical question is, 'Is the city going to rethink that?' and if they do, 'Where are they going to put the additional housing which the state will require of them as part of state housing policy?'"

Brennan said her group — which includes planning commissioners Darrell Clarke and Arlene Hopkins — coalesced at a recent meeting of neighborhood leaders and in the last week has attracted a lot of attention.

"Everything that's happened, happened in the last week," she said. "I have never experienced such rage and resolve ... We're just thinking moment to moment. This is creating itself while we're sitting here."



NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF PROPOSED FY 2004-05 ONE-YEAR ACTION PLAN ALLOCATING FEDERAL CDBG AND HOME FUNDS

Notice is hereby given that the City of Santa Monica has developed the Proposed FY 2004-05 One-Year Action Plan. The One-Year Action Plan is submitted annually to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). It delineates the City's specific projects and activities for one-year use of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and HOME funds in order to meet the City's overall housing and community development needs as specified in the Consolidated Plan (FY 2000-05) adopted by City Council and submitted to HUD in June 2000. The City is seeking community comments on the Proposed One-Year Action Plan.

Copies of the Proposed FY 2004-05 One-Year Action Plan are now available to the public for a 30-day community review period ending June 15, 2004. To obtain a copy of the Proposed FY 2004-05 One-Year Action, please contact:

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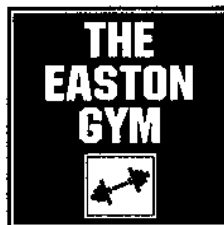
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Ex-FBI agent lied about affair with alleged spy

BY LINDA DEUTSCH
AP Special Correspondent

LOS ANGELES — A former FBI agent pleaded guilty Wednesday to lying about his sexual relationship with a woman alleged to be a Chinese double agent.

James J. Smith pleaded guilty to a single count of making a false statement and agreed to cooperate with the government.

U.S. District Judge Florence Marie Cooper said Smith faced up to five years in prison, but outside court defense attorney Brian Sun said the sentencing guidelines indicate his client would serve no more than six months and perhaps no time.

Sun emphasized that Smith admitted only that he had a sexual relationship with the woman, Katrina Leung, and that he lied to the FBI about it. He did not plead guilty to any counts involving misuse of classified information.

Smith, 60, was the longtime handler of Leung, a naturalized citizen and San Marino socialite who was recruited 20 years ago to work for the FBI, gathering intelligence during frequent business trips to China. Prosecutors claim she began working for China around 1990.

Smith was originally charged with gross negligence for allegedly allowing Leung access to classified materials and with mail fraud for allegedly filing false reports to FBI headquarters about her reliability. He faced 40 years in prison if convicted of those charges. The charge to which he pleaded was added in a superseding indictment in February.

Leung is charged with taking classified documents from Smith's briefcase, although she has not been accused of relaying that information to China.

She faces up to 14 years in prison if convicted of illegally copying and possessing national security papers that she intended to use, or could have used, to harm the interests of the United States. She has denied the allegations.

Smith, whose family was in court, stood before the judge with his lawyer and recounted his FBI career, which began in 1970, his recruitment of Leung as an FBI asset in 1982 and the beginning of a sexual affair with her in 1983, which continued until his arrest last year.

"What is your plea?" the judge asked. "Guilty, your honor," Smith said in a firm voice.

The former agent said that in August 2000, when he was questioned by the FBI during a routine evaluation, "I was asked if there was anything in my background that could compromise me and I said, 'No.' ... That statement was false."

The plea agreement calls for Smith to make himself available to the FBI, the U.S. attorney's office and foreign intelligence agencies with an interest in the case.

"There is a requirement that you cooperate fully," the judge told him.

The judge said that if the government finds Smith provided substantial assistance, prosecutors will depart from the maximum sentence and recommend a lower penalty.

The agreement calls for Smith not to discuss classified information with anyone and not to have any contact with the media until after the case has concluded.

Assistant U.S. Attorney Rebecca Loneragan asked the judge for a lengthy period before sentencing because of Smith's anticipated cooperation. The judge set sentencing for Jan. 10.

Leung's trial is pending. Her attorneys, Janet Levine and John Vandevelde, were in court for the plea and issued a statement later.

"We are happy for James J. Smith and wish him well because, as far as we are concerned, he did nothing worthy of a criminal prosecution, but neither did Katrina Leung," the attorneys said.

"Although we may have to fight to the end because the FBI has tried to protect its own and shift blame for their mistakes to Katrina, an outsider, a Chinese-American and a woman, we are confident that this case is much ado about nothing and Katrina Leung will be vindicated," they said.

The plea agreement calls for Smith to withdraw from any joint defense arrangement he may have had with Leung.

Outside court, Sun said he wanted to make it clear that Smith's plea did not involve any crime against national security.

"The agreement reached shows that Mr. Smith never put the government at risk when he was an FBI agent," Sun said.

He said the counts of mishandling classified information and mail fraud are likely to be dismissed at the time of sentencing.

"He always intended to work with and cooperate with the government," Sun said.

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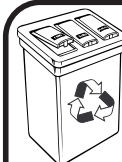
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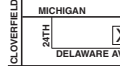
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Entertainment

Petersen's 'Troy' pumps up summer movie season

Review



BY DAN DUNN
Special to the Daily Press

The Greek deities that play such a prominent role in "The

Iliad" — the poet Homer's ancient account of the Trojan War — aren't given much play in the film "Troy." In their stead are bare-chested, brawny and bronzed matinee idols who, with a pumped-up, blonde-coifed Brad Pitt leading the charge, are poised to conquer the box office in this spirited throwback to the sprawling war epics of yesteryear. Wolfgang Petersen ("The Perfect Storm," "Air Force One") has made big movies before, but nothing as ambitious as this nearly three-hour, star-studded period piece about fighting men and the women who love them. "Troy" was shot on mammoth soundstages and outdoor locations in London, Malta

and Mexico, employing thousand of extras and crew members. With a reported \$175 million price tag — 10 percent of which went to Pitt — it is one of the most expensive features ever produced. It says here, Warner Bros' investment will prove to be a wise one. "Troy" is as good a kickoff to the summer movie season as there's been in years.

Pitt has the hopped up Alpha male mien down pat (see "Fight Club," "Legends of the Fall" and "Seven") and as Achilles, Greece's greatest warrior, he's as volatile as weapons-grade plutonium. "I want what all men want," he tells a mistress on the eve of battle, adding "I just want it more." Boy, does he ever — as

rendered here, Achilles is to killing what Michael Jordan was to slam dunks. Pitt's muscular performance is nearly unassailable save for his labored British dialect, an Achilles heel that is laid bare in several scenes in which the star appears opposite the venerable Peter O'Toole (in a memorable turn as Priam, ruler of the Trojans). The yin to Brad's yang is Eric Bana ("The Hulk") in a finely measured performance as Hector, the heroic prince and principal protector of Troy. Orlando Bloom ("The Lord of the Rings") is fey, but tolerably so, as Hector's younger brother Paris, the legendary Lothario whose love affair with Helen (German model Diane Kruger), wife of the

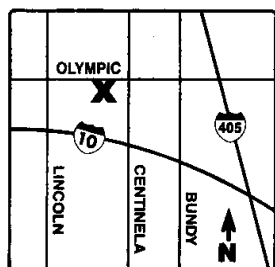
Spartan king Menelaus (Brendan Gleeson), sparks the film's central conflict. Brian Cox chews up the high-priced scenery with lusty aplomb as Agamemnon, the war-mongering King of the Mycenaeans whom many of you may remember from reading Cliff's Notes in high school. Sean Bean ("The Lord of the Rings") and Australian actress Rose Byrne also stand out in supporting roles. "Troy" boasts an appropriately thundering soundtrack, along with award-caliber set and costume design.

(Rated R for graphic violence and some sexuality/nudity. Running time: 163 minutes)

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In the Q&A pit with Brad

BY DAN DUNN
Special to the Daily Press

Brad Pitt's career thus far has been a bit of a numbers game. "Seven" is one of several mid-90s films that established Pitt as a Hollywood superstar. Another, "Seven Years in Tibet," got him banned from China. "Twelve Monkeys" netted the Oklahoma native his one and only Oscar nomination. "Ocean's Twelve" is the sequel to the 2001 hit that went to eleven. "Less than Zero" is the first film Pitt ever appeared in (as an uncredited partygoer), and no doubt represents the number of people who find him unattractive. So pretty is Pitt, in fact, that he is the only actor to be named People Magazine's "Sexiest Man Alive" two times. And finally, there's the number three — that's how many months, and hours a day, Pitt spent in the weight room pumping himself up to play Achilles in Wolfgang Petersen's \$175 epic, "Troy."

QUESTION: You're in the best shape of your life. How'd you get there?

BRAD PITT: It was a lot of hard work, with an impending mid-life crisis as a great motivator. I got with people who knew what they were doing, and I told them where I wanted to get to — where I had to get to — to play the ultimate warrior.

Q: Were you intimidated at all by the prospect of playing one of the most famous figures in history?

BP: Intimidating, no, but it's exciting. It's what we do. This one has so many things going on — fighting styles and physicality, emotional turmoil and a dialect. As you get down the road, these (types or roles) become more enticing.

Q: Achilles saw the Trojan War as a means of securing his legacy of greatness. Were you tempted to look at this role in a similar way? After all, the Academy loves

to honor these sorts of films.

BP: No, because you never know about that going in, and it's just confusing to start thinking that way. You attack the role in the same way you'd attack "Snatch." It's about the research going into it. When you're actually shooting, you're just anxious to get it out.

Q: Did you read "The Iliad" before making "Troy?"

BP: I actually read it, I'm proud to say, and it's good — there's a reason it's still around. It's one of the great stories amongst a handful of great stories ... Homer was trying to erase the lines that separated my side from your side, and trying to adopt a greater humanity in a world of warring factions. And you look at (what's happening today), and it doesn't seem like so much has changed.

Q: What are your favorite war epics?

BP: I immediately go to "Lawrence of Arabia," because of Peter O'Toole. And would you call "Apocalypse Now" an epic? Because that film, to me, is everything.

Q: Your wife, Jennifer Aniston, recently ended her run on "Friends," one of the most successful television shows ever. Are you among the millions mourning the end of an era?

BP: Everything has to come to an end, but I'm going to miss it. I'm going to miss those Thursday nights. Fortunately, we still have syndication so I think I'll be OK.

Q: Any plans to work with Jennifer in a movie?

BP: I'm sure at some point, but we have to be very careful. Couples (appearing) together in film usually is the kiss of death.

ENTERTAINMENT



What's playing

VAN HELSING

The most extortionate B-movie ever produced; a ghoulish goulash of CGI overkill peppered with stilted dialogue and a host of historical inconsistencies.

NEW YORK MINUTE

Girls, boys and — no doubt — dirty old men are invited to Mary-Kate and Ashley's big screen sexual awakening and, ugh!, is it ever unseemly.

GODSEND

Director Nick Hamm struggles to maintain control over a convoluted story and veteran cast making dubious choices.

LAWS OF ATTRACTION

Offers little in the way of convincing conflict. The script gives character development such short-shrift that even a prodigious talent like Moore struggles to locate her arc.

MEAN GIRLS

Some funny stuff up front, but as things move along, the laughs are harder and harder to come by.

13 GOING ON 30

Has its moments, but is hampered by several conspicuous shortcomings, not the least of which is that it replaces one dubious lifestyle fantasy with another that is just as chancy.

MAN ON FIRE

A by-the-numbers revenge thriller that benefits from strong performances by Denzel Washington, Christopher Walken and Dakota Fanning.

I'M NOT SCARED

Director Gabriele Salvatores enchants and unhinges us in this gorgeous, disturbing reflection on the loss of innocence.

THE GIRL NEXT DOOR

Emile Hirsch and Elisha Cuthbert bring a genuine vulnerability to their roles and, despite a paucity of previous comedy experience, prove to be quite adept at delivering the laughs.

DOGVILLE

Undeniably engaging, even as the cinematic techniques the director employs leave us feeling oddly detached as the story unfolds.

THE UNITED STATES OF LELAND

An incoherent, fetishistic film, which invites viewers to question the why of juvenile violence when all they really should be asking is "why bother?"

HOME ON THE RANGE

In an age in which "children's movies" are increasingly designed to put adult butts in the seats, it's refreshing to see one that doesn't aspire to be anything other than quality entertainment for kids.

CUISINE



A NIGHT OF WINE AND FOOD

By Daily Press staff

FAIRMONT MIRAMAR HOTEL — In tandem with the launch of his new book, "John Ash: Cooking One on One," the California wine country cuisine pioneer, chef, award-winning author and teacher has collaborated with the culinary team here to bring the tastes to Santa Monica.

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MAY 19:

Six-course guest chef dinner featuring John Ash and Bonterra Vineyards at the Grille Restaurant, from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m.

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MAY 20-JUNE 6:

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Get jacked up on
'Coffee and Cigarettes'

BY DAN DUNN

Special to the Daily Press

You either get Jim Jarmusch or you don't. Those who do will delight in this latest offering from the white-topped indie icon who conceived "Dead Man," "Night on Earth" and "Down by Law." A thoughtful collection of 11 deadpan comedic vignettes that Jarmusch wrote and began filming in 1986, "Coffee and Cigarettes" is a black and white gallimaufry of talent and abstraction. "Delirium" features Bill Murray as a caffeinated waiter who discusses the use of nicotine as an insecticide with GZA and RZA of the Wu Tang Clan. In "Jack Shows Meg His Tesla Coil," rockers Jack and Meg White of The White Stripes give an impromptu light show to a perplexed kitchen worker (Cinque Lee). Cate Blanchett plays herself in the wry "Cousins," in which she has a tense encounter with a jealous cousin (also played by Blanchett) at a film junket.

Other highlights include "Strange to Meet You" with Steven Wright and Roberto Benigni extolling the virtues of the bad habits emphasized in the title. This short was originally produced for "Saturday Night Live" in '86 and became the catalyst for this long-term project. Lensed by legendary cinematographer and David Lynch fave, Frederick Elmes, "Coffee and Cigarettes: Somewhere in California," stars Tom Waits and Iggy Pop and won the Golden Palm at the 1993 Cannes Film Festival as Best Short Film. Also onboard, as various oddballs, are Alfred Molina ("Spiderman II"), Vinny Vella ("Casino") and percussionist E.J. Rodriguez.

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LOCAL

Festival, concert to raise money for SM schools

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Committee and has a nephew who attends John Adams Middle School.

Then on Saturday and Sunday, from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m., a variety of festivities will take place on the pier — everything from live musical performances by local students to arts and crafts activities and art vendors selling their wares. Vendors will give a portion of their sales to For The Arts. There will be plenty of food at the festival provided by local restaurants, which also will donate a portion of their sales to the cause.

Tickets are still available for the Jackson Browne concert. There are three levels of ticket prices — \$65, \$250 and \$1,000, which includes the VIP reception. Call (310) 396-6727 for more information.

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■ Chance to Dance

Chance To Dance is a nonprofit that provides creative and therapeutic dance classes for dancers of all ages and abilities. Chance To Dance is based in Santa Monica.

■ Creative PlayGround @ the Powerhouse Theatre

Creative PlayGround, a not-for-profit arts organization, develops and performs interactive, literature-based theatre for family audiences. Started by co-artistic directors Karen Harcastle and Elizabeth Tobias and utilizing the talents of a diverse company of professional performers and educa-

tors, Creative PlayGround is committed to bringing to life the stories of many cultures for children of all ages and backgrounds.

■ Santa Monica Playhouse

Now in its 42nd year, the Santa Monica Playhouse provides theatre entertainment and theatre-related workshops to the Los Angeles area and throughout the world.

■ Center for the Study of Political Graphics

With more than 50,000 posters, the Center for the Study of Political Graphics archive is the largest collection of Post World War II graphics in the United States. The CSPG collects, preserves and exhibits posters relating to historical and contemporary movements for social change. Through its varied programs, CSPG is reclaiming the power of art to inspire people to action.

■ Santa Monica Civic Light Opera

The Santa Monica Civic Light Opera serves as an education partner to Santa Monica High School's Theatre Arts department and operates as a not-for-profit professional theatre company that unites the high school's aspiring alumni actors and community performers on the Barnum Hall and Humanities Center stages.

Operating on the Santa Monica High School campus and in cooperation with students from Santa Monica High School, the SMCLO's new role as a community arts organization since the completion of Barnum Hall is not only to foster the development of theatre alumni but also bring together arts and audiences within an already culturally rich community.

■ Kids on Stage

Kids On Stage, Inc. is a theater and video arts program that develops creati-

ty, self expression and social consciousness through artistic media. It inspires players to discover their own unique voices while building valuable skills that extend to all facets of life.

Food will be provided by:

■ Britannia Pub, 318 Santa Monica Blvd. Fish and chips.

■ Fritto Misto, 601 Colorado Blvd.

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■ Pradeeps, 1405 Montana Ave.; 517 Washington Blvd. in Marina del Rey Traditional Indian cuisine.

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■ Panda Express, 804 Montana Ave.

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■ Acadie Handcrafted Crepes, 213 Arizona Ave.

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■ Jamba Juice, 304 Santa Monica Blvd.

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SATURDAY

Music stage

11-11:30	Elementary
11:30-12	Set Up/Break
12-12:30	JAMS Choir
12:30-1	Set Up/Break
1-1:30	JAMS Band
1:30-1:45	Set Up/Break
1:45-2:15	JAMS Orchestra
2:15-2:30	Set Up/Break
2:30-3	Samohi Orchestra
3-3:15	Set Up/Break
3:15-3:45	Samohi Band
3:45-4:15	Set Up/Break
4:15-4:45	Samohi Choir
4:45-5	Break 5 Jazz Band

Dance/drama stage

11-11:45	SM Playhouse
12-12:45	Creative PlayGround
12:45-1:15	Brass Quintet
1:15-1:45	Chance To Dance
1:45-2:15	Chance to Dance Workshop
2:30-3	Samohi Dance
3-3:30	Roosevelt, Mr. Martinez
3:45-4:15	Dream Winds
4:30-5	SMCLO & SM Drama

SUNDAY

Music stage

11-11:30	Elementary
11:30-11:45	Set Up/Break
11:45-12:15	Lincoln Choir
12:15-12:30	Set Up/Break
12:30-1	Lincoln Band
1-1:15	Set Up/Break
1:15-1:45	Lincoln Orchestra
1:45-2	Set Up/Break
2-2:45	MHS Instrumental Music
2:45-3	Set Up/Break
3-3:30	MHS Choir
3:30-4	Set Up/Break
4-5	Swinging Deacons

Dance/drama stage

11-11:45	SM Playhouse
12-12:45	Spirit Series
1-1:45	Kindred Dance
2-2:30	MHS Drama
2:45-3:15	Samohi Dance
3:30-4	SMCLO & SM Drama

Auctioning for schools

By Daily Press staff

Christie's Auction House will moderate the live auction at the pier carousel before the Jackson Browne concert, which will include a dozen packages for guests to bid on:

■ **Qantas round-trip to Australia for two**

Donor: Qantas Airways

Donor value: \$16,927

Minimum bid: \$8,000

■ **Luxury cruise for two aboard Six-Star Crystal Cruises**

The winner will have a choice of a cruise for two to Alaska, the Caribbean, New England, or the Mediterranean.

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■ **Play ball with Anaheim Angels Baseball**

Four box seats for the Sept. 11, 2004, Angels game at Edison Field versus the Chicago White Sox. The item includes dinner for four at the exclusive Diamond Club and onfield passes before the game to view batting practice of Vladimir Guerrero and the 2002 World Series Champions.

Donor: Anaheim Angels Baseball

Donor value: \$1,500

Minimum bid: \$750

■ **Three nights at the Palmilla Resort**

in Los Cabos, Mexico

A three-night stay at the Palmilla resort in Los Cabos, Mexico including airport transfers. Guests may enjoy two infinity-edged pools, tennis courts and a complimentary round of golf on the signature Jack Nicklaus-designed golf course. The package includes dinner for two at “Agua.” If in season, the package will also include whale watching.

Donor: Jerry & Prudence Inzerillo;

Jody Kasten and Jack Sussman

Donor value: \$10,000

Minimum value: \$5,000

■ **6 Laddie John Dill Sculpture — Light Trap**

12" x 24" x 2" welded and polished aluminum sculpture by world-renowned artist, Laddie John Dill.

Donor: Matt and Kathy Barrett

Donor value: \$3,000

Minimum bid: \$1,500

■ **“The West Wing”**

Join the cast of this multi-E Emmy award-winning show, “The West Wing” and rub shoulders with the talents of Martin Sheen, John Spencer, Stockard Channing, Dule Hill, Allison Janney, Janel Maloney, Bradley Whitford, Richard Schiff and Josh Malina.

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Minimum bid: \$1,500

■ **Not So Extreme Summer Makeover package**

The package includes a one-hour session with famous trainer Ray Kybartas, author of the book, “Fitness is Religion — Keep the Faith,” which has sold more than 150,000 copies and counting. His clients include Madonna, Sean Penn and Viggo Mortensen. Then brighten your

smile with a teeth-bleaching session with Beverly Hills dentist, Dr. Joel Reims. Improve your look with a visit to the salon of celebrity hair stylist to the stars, Joe Torrenueva, owner of Torrenueva Beverly Hills. Top it all off with a relaxing massage or facial at the new, and even more luxurious, Burke Williams Day Spa.

Donors: Ray Kybaras, Dr. Joel Reims, Joe Torrenueva and Burke Williams

Day Spa

Donor value: \$950

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WORLD BRIEFLY

Opposition wins India

By The Associated Press

NEW DELHI — India's opposition Congress party captured the most seats in parliamentary elections, according to early results Thursday, a stunning defeat for Prime Minister Atal Bihari Vajpayee that was almost certain to return the Gandhi dynasty to power.

Vajpayee's ruling party conceded defeat, opening the way for Sonia Gandhi, the Italian-born widow of the former Prime Minister Rajiv Gandhi, to become the country's leader. It was one of the most dramatic political upsets since Indian independence almost 60 years ago.

The results reflected the feeling by millions of India's rural poor that they had been left out of the economic boom promoted by Vajpayee's Bharatiya Janata Party-led government.

"We have not got the mandate of the people," said BJP President Venkaiah Naidu, adding that the decision was taken at a 90-minute meeting of the party and its coalition partners.

Congress and its allies had already claimed victory and declared that Gandhi, the party leader, would be the next prime minister.

American sentenced for spying

By The Associated Press

BEIJING — A Chinese court on Thursday sentenced a U.S.-based dissident to five years in prison on spying charges.

Yang Jianli, who lives in suburban Boston, also was convicted of illegal border crossing after a trial in a Beijing court, the official Xinhua News Agency said.

The one-sentence report did not give any other details. Yang, a Chinese citizen with permanent U.S. residency, was detained on April 26, 2002, while trying to board a flight in the southwestern city of Kunming using a false identity card. His Boston-based advocacy group, Foundation for China in the 21st Century, calls for political change in China.

Kerry still lashing out at Bush

By The Associated Press

LITTLE ROCK, Ark. — Democrat John Kerry used a focus on veterans' health as a vehicle to tout his war-hero record, while prominent backers trotted out to disparage President Bush for a far less heroic history.

Kerry was wrapping up a four-day swing focusing on health care issues by talking about veterans issues, arguing that Bush has cut funding for Veterans Administration health programs and that's left hundreds of thousands of veterans without care.

Kerry was greeted by retired Gen. Wesley Clark, a former rival who set the tone. "Can you imagine having a president who actually answered the country's call and went to war when our country needed him as a young man?" asked Clark.

Bush was a member of the Texas Air National Guard during the Vietnam War, while Kerry earned a string of decorations commanding a swift boat in the Mekong Delta.

"On Tuesday, Senator Bob Dole and 49 Medal of Honor recipients endorsed President Bush because of his steady leadership and winning the war on terror," countered Bush spokesman Steve Schmidt.

Convicted sex offender charged

By The Associated Press

FARGO, N.D. — A federal grand jury on Wednesday charged a convicted sex offender in the kidnapping and death of University of North Dakota student Dru Sjodin.

Alfonso Rodriguez Jr., 51, appeared in federal court and pleaded not guilty to a charge of kidnapping, resulting in death. If convicted, he could face the death penalty.

The complaint says the crime involved "torture and serious physical abuse," and that Rodriguez "held her for purposes of sexually assaulting her."

Federal prosecutors took the case to allow authorities to pursue the death penalty if Rodriguez is convicted. Neither North Dakota nor Minnesota, the two states involved in the case, have death penalty laws of their own.

Sjodin, 22, of Pequot Lakes, Minn., disappeared from a Grand Forks, N.D., shopping mall parking lot Nov. 22. Her body was found April 17, near a county road northwest of Crookston, Minn.

Rodriguez, of Crookston, had been in custody in Grand Forks on a state kidnapping charge since his arrest in December. That charge was dropped Wednesday at the request of federal prosecutors, Grand Forks County State's Attorney Peter Welte said.

Bush touts education reform at high school

By The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — A high school in West Virginia, where he is in a close race for the state's five electoral votes, provides the latest forum for President Bush to both promote and defend his record on education.

Bush, who was visiting a school in Parkersburg on Thursday, has been competitive on the issue since the 2000 campaign, when his proposals helped him win support from women voters.

As he has for the past two days, Bush was expected to defend the education reform law called No Child Left Behind, which requires federally funded school systems to demonstrate that their students can meet a set of learning standards.

"I have seen incredible progress" and "my job as president is to continue to challenge," Bush told educators and state officials Wednesday at the National Institutes of Health in Bethesda, Md.

Democrats say the administration's current budget shortchanges the law by some \$9.4 billion, making it difficult for educators to meet the law's goals. Republicans say the Democrats' figures are misleading, that the Democrats' own alternative proposal for the fiscal year beginning Oct. 1 is billions of dollars under the authorized cap.

House looks to line pocket books of workers

By The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Reminding voters that President Bush's tax cuts have fattened their paychecks, the House wants to make permanent a new tax bracket that lowered taxes on the first \$7,000 earned by workers.

It's the third in a series of bills that together are an election-year push to lock in some of Bush's most popular tax cuts. Democrats have used each bill as an opportunity to blast Republican stewardship of the economy and deepening deficits.

The House expects to vote Thursday on a bill making permanent the bottom tax bracket created in the 2001, which lowered taxes on the first \$6,000 in wages from 15 percent to 10 percent. In 2003, Congress expanded the bracket to cover the first \$7,000 earned.

Without action, the bracket shrinks back to \$6,000 next year and disappears completely in 2011.

Democrats said they back the effort to preserve the bottom bracket, but not at the expense of a growing deficit.

They plan to offer an alternative tax cut that keeps the expanded bottom bracket through 2010. The tax cut would be covered by a 1.95 percent surcharge on individuals who earn \$500,000 or more and couples who earn \$1 million or more.

Nuclear dump in Nevada short on cash

By The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The Energy Department has been warned by an influential lawmaker that it may get a fraction of the money sought next year for a proposed nuclear waste dump in Nevada, jeopardizing any chance that site can open by 2010.

Congress has given the project the go-ahead, pending a permit by the Nuclear Regulatory Commission. But securing the money needed every year so the Yucca Mountain project can stay on schedule has frustrated planners.

The latest potential roadblock came from the House Appropriations subcommittee that is considering a department request for \$880 million for the budget year that begins Oct. 1. The project 90 miles northwest of Las Vegas is facing major challenges in getting an NRC license and developing a waste transportation plan.

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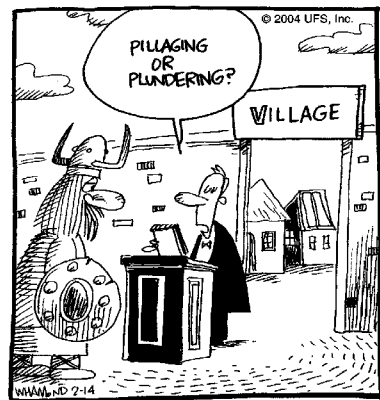


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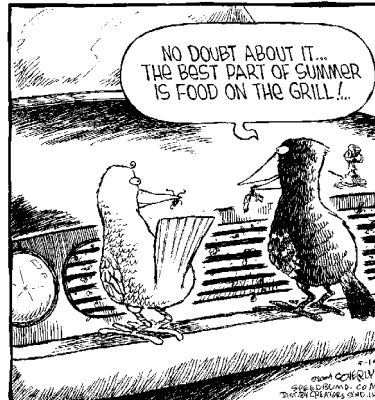
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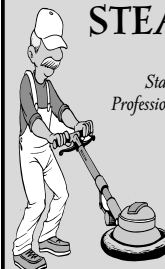
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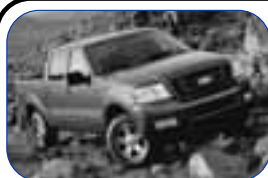
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