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NEWS OF THE WEIRD

by Chuck Shepard

In March in Hartford, Conn., Rebecca Messier, who was convicted with her husband, Joseph, in 1998 of giving \$8,500 to a prosecutor to get a lenient sentence, petitioned in Superior Court to get her \$8,500 back. And Jeffrey Cameron Fitzhenry, 17, was arrested in Palm Desert, Calif., in May after walking into a clinic with a 9 mm handgun and shooting his girlfriend because she was about to abort his baby.



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Officials eye butt-free beaches for all

BY JOHN WOOD

Daily Press Staff Writer



John Wood/Daily Press

Anti-smoking activist Jim Walker points to two cylinders filled with 13,000 cigarette butts collected from an area beach by a group of children in one hour's time. Officials want to make it illegal to smoke on public beaches throughout California.

SM PIER — Local and state officials gathered here Friday in support of a new bill that proposes banning smoking on every public beach in California.

Riding the crest of a recent wave of local anti-smoking laws passed as far away as Australia, Assemblyman Paul Koretz (D-West Hollywood), the bill's author, said the sheer scope of the statewide ban would make California a trendsetter.

"It's a sad fact that too many careless smokers use our beaches as their ashtrays," said Koretz, adding cigarette butts take 25 years to decompose. "Smokers on the beach just don't think ahead to the consequences of their actions."

Health concerns also were cited by backers of the law, who said families

shouldn't be forced to move their beach blankets to avoid second-hand smoke.

Laws recently were passed outlawing smoking on city beaches in Santa Monica, Malibu and Los Angeles. Similar laws exist for some local beaches in such locales as New Jersey, the United Kingdom and Australia — and even on some lake shores in Minnesota.

Organizers said the first beach smoking ban in the United States was passed 10 years ago to protect a natural preserve on a beach in Hawaii.

Koretz was joined at the morning press conference by elected leaders from Santa Monica, Malibu and Los Angeles, and activists from a variety of anti-smoking groups and the Surfrider Foundation. The speakers were flanked by a pair of tall

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Many happy returns



Daniele Hamamdjian/Daily Press

Hal Ross, a founding member of the Turning Point Resource Board, accepts the Generous Spirit award last week at an event honoring Turning Point Transitional Housing.

BY DANIELE HAMAMDJIAN

Special to the Daily Press

DOWNTOWN — Fostering the belief that every human being has the right to dignity, Turning Point Transitional Housing, a 55-bed shelter for the homeless, celebrated over 20 years of community service by recognizing the contribution of volunteers and private donors at Loews Santa Monica Beach Hotel last Sunday.

"It's good to see them become citizens, paying they're own taxes," joked Hal Ross during a speech given to the 200 attendees. Ross, a retired public accountant, is one of

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Battered woman regains life

BY DANIELE HAMAMDJIAN

Special to The Daily Press

In March of 1988, Leslie Jean McIntosh says her husband wrapped his hands around her neck, hoping to strangle her in front of their three children. She fought back and

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Taking a megabyte out of crime

BY JOHN MULLER

Special to the Daily Press

DOWNTOWN — A gathering of Attorneys General from across the country descended on Santa Monica this week to discuss the legal issues surrounding the war on terrorism, Internet file sharing and cyber-

crime during a four-day meeting at the Miramar Hotel that concluded Friday.

Less than a third of the NAAG attended Friday morning's final program on how to combat cybercrime and protect youth from Internet predators. According to a May survey by Chief Security Officer maga-

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zine, online criminal attacks on corporate and government networks cost businesses \$666 million in 2003. More than 40 percent of the 500 executives polled said hackers had become

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That figures



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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)
★★★★ You could overdose on the good times, if that is possible. Someone clearly cannot get enough of you. How nice! Think in terms of adding to the quality of your life. A purchase might very well be worth it. Your possessive side emerges. Tonight: Do some price comparing.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
★★★★★ You could waver between trying to be serious and being outrageously playful. You opt to take a risk, but you check out alternatives. Listen to a neighbor's or relative's information, as you'll gain key information. Tonight: Hang out.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
★★★★ Investigate a purchase before you go off and buy it. You still might choose to go the more expensive route. Make this decision from intelligent information-gathering rather than impulsiveness. Holding back actually might benefit you. Tonight: Make a splash out on the town.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)
★★★★★ Others envy your directness and ability to zero in on what needs to happen. Sometimes, you develop a devil- may-care attitude. Avoid jumping into a new friendship or relationship. Check this person out first. Tonight: What would please the Moon Child?

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
★★★ You might have a grin on your face that few can understand, and you don't need to explain! Allow some private time where you can daydream and think. If possible, remain conservative with your finances. Avoid risk-taking. Tonight: Happy at home with the shades pulled.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
★★★★★ Friends surround you. You could delight in going to a baseball game or barbecue with others. Spread your wings and get to know new folks as well. You might be close to unstoppable when you decide you want something. Tonight: Where the action is.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
★★★★ Responsibilities call, but you actually might not mind. Take your time handling your different obligations. A parent or older friend needs special time. Slow down as far as spending goes. If possible, curb extravagance. Tonight: Stay close to home.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
★★★★★ Reach out for someone at a distance or make plans to meet at a halfway point. You particularly enjoy relating on a one-on-one level with others. Use the moment to maximize a personal relationship. Charge your intensity in this direction. Tonight: Where there is music.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
★★★★★ Work with each person who comes your way. Your popularity explodes, presenting many options. A party or event draws you out. Others see you at your best. Remember to take time for a very special loved one. Tonight: Togetherness works.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
★★★★★ Others knock on your door. You might have to decide between two different plans, one of which might take you out of your immediate surroundings. Decide where you will enjoy yourself the most. After all, this is your Saturday, too! Tonight: Reach out for others.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
★★★★ Slow down and smell the roses. You don't always have to be the cheerleader for others. Value special time with those you love and care about. Catch up on news and recent developments. You might think you know everything, but you don't. Tonight: Choose to relax.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
★★★★★ Your lively, fun nature emerges, drawing many to you. As you express your more kidlike side, others will join in. A family member delights in your fun ways. Don't let seriousness mar the mood and the closeness. Tonight: Share a favorite pastime.

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LOCAL



COMMUNITY BRIEFS

Attention: Starving artists

By Daily Press staff

The City of Santa Monica is seeking qualifications from experienced professional public artists for the upcoming Village at Santa Monica Civic Center housing development. A panel of art professionals will review all submissions to select a pool of artists or artist teams, any of whom could be chosen. The artist fee for this project is \$50,000. The deadline is July 22.

Hooked on phonics

By Daily Press staff

The Delphi Academy of Santa Monica will start its summer session June 28. The session is open to K-6 students and is currently accepting enrollment for its summer camp, which features sports, science, cooking, art, music and a reading program. Delphi just completed its first year, and boasts a reading program for students as young as four.

In the program, Delphi uses a combination of phonics and high volume reading to teach children to decode unfamiliar words and master basic phonetic principles. Children are expected to have read more than 600 books by the end of the third grade.

For more information on the Delphi reading program and the summer session, call Betsy Quinn at (310) 526-2702 at Delphi Academy of Santa Monica at 1610 Broadway.

Who's down with ROP?

By Daily Press staff

This summer, SMMUSD's Regional Occupation Program is offering a get-ahead class for the Visual/Performing Arts graduation requirement. The Digital Design class will meet during summer school from 8 a.m. to 12:35 p.m. Class starts Monday, June 28, and ends Friday, August 6, and is open for enrollment.

The course is University of California approved and gives students 10 credits upon graduation. The course aims to teach students to prepare artwork for printing and includes instruction in design methods, conceptual skills and digital techniques. Students will work on Mac computers using QuarkXPress for publication design, Photoshop for digital imaging and Adobe Illustrator for electronic imaging.

For more information, contact Yvonne Strahn at (310) 395-9493.



SURF REPORT

The wind swell fades further as the SW continues to offer modest energy Saturday. The better exposed SW breaks again see knee- to waist-high surf, while standout breaks see occasional bigger sets. Look for the SW swell to hold similar energy on Sunday as the wind swell starts to creep back up by the afternoon as well. On Monday we'll start to see a building trend in both NW wind swell and SW swell. Look for the SW swell to fill in further on Tuesday, looking best by the late afternoon and through the day on Wednesday as it turns more to a SSW direction. As the SW swell peaks later Tuesday and into Wednesday look for waist- to head-high surf at the better exposed breaks, while standout spots in Orange County see some bigger sets. Those waves then slowly wind down on Thursday and into Friday.

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SUNDAY	6:07	-0.4	4:43	2.8	1:06	3.4	11:02	5.5
MONDAY	6:45	-0.2	5:29	3.0	1:52	3.5	11:40	5.2
TUESDAY	7:23	0.0	6:32	3.0	N/A	N/A	2:39	3.6
WEDNESDAY	8:03	0.2	7:56	3.0	12:24	4.8	3:22	3.8
THURSDAY	8:45	0.5	9:32	2.7	1:20	4.3	4:01	4.1
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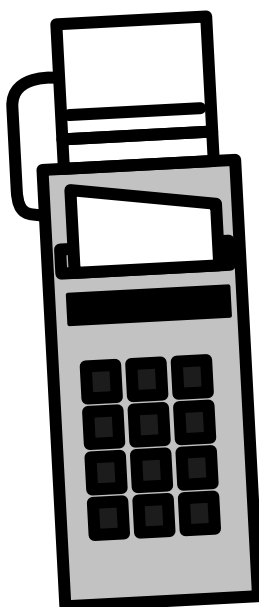


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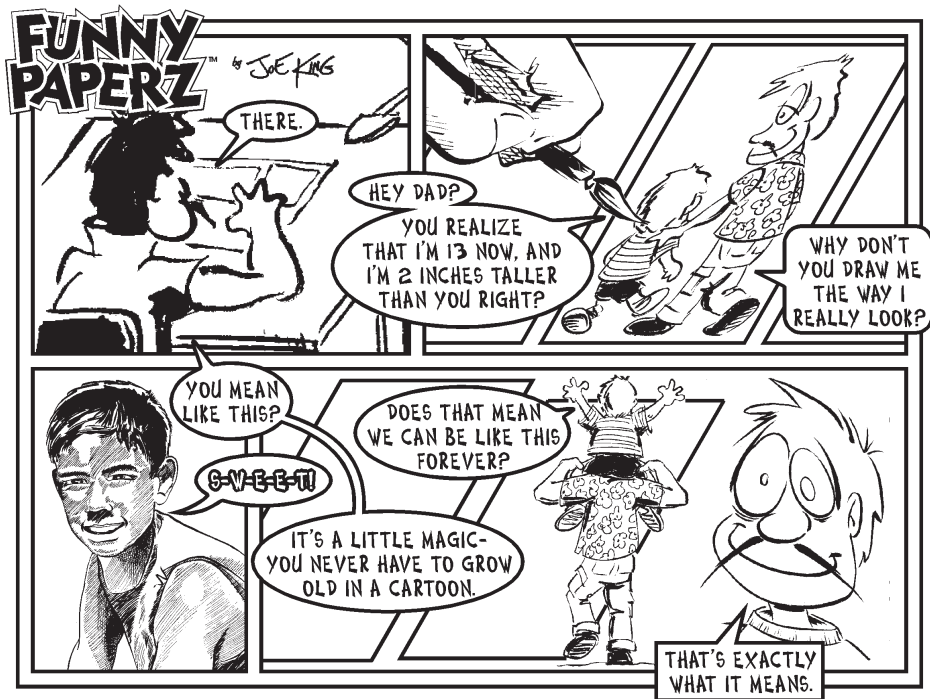
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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Leash the rhetoric

Editor:

I have just read the letter from Mr. Johnson regarding "Unleash the Beach" (SMDP June 16, page 1). I respect the opinion presented, but must strongly disagree with his anti-dog rhetoric.

I don't believe that the plan is to allow dog owners to "release their animals at random on a large portion of Santa Monica's ... pristine beaches." All dog owners would like is a designated area (not random and large) that they can take their dogs to enjoy the beach. If people do not wish to be around dogs then they can avoid that small section of beach, so how can Don say the petition would force anyone who didn't want to be around dogs to have to be?

Also, as a side note, the SM beaches are far from being pristine (just ask Heal the Bay) and humans have, and already are, doing much more damage to the beaches than dogs ever could. There are dog beaches elsewhere that have worked out fine — an example is in San Diego. I don't believe anyone wishes to use the beach as a "dog toilet" by any means, and I truly believe that given the privilege to use the beach, dog owners would clean up after their pets.

I also don't believe that anyone is asking for pet ownership to be a community responsibility — we are just asking for a small strip to take our dog who love the beach.

As a long time Santa Monica resident, I know that there are few places that welcome dogs and more restrictions, and have come to believe that Santa Monica is not a very dog-friendly place at all and I personally don't want to have to drive all the way to Leo Carillo State Beach just to let my dog near the ocean. Is that so unreasonable?

Michelle Jones
Santa Monica

Beware the Lemonade Stand police

Editor:

I'm probably not the only one who views various members of the Santa Monica City Council as squirrely (SMDP June 18, page 1). And they certainly are coming across as especially squirrely in their debate over the destructive squirrels in Palisades Park.

If I understand it, the City of Santa Monica has been ordered by a government agency, the County of Los Angeles, to eliminate the ground squirrel population, a rodent problem that makes the city, and Palisades Park in particular, dangerous.

City councilmen Genser and McKeown seem to think Santa Monica should just ignore the law and the county's order. Their decision to do this is both squirrely and sadly ironic, since both Genser and McKeown are among those who feel it is appropriate to send out Santa Monica government inspectors to issue orders to business owners to remove business signs or face substantial fines, or issue orders to homeowners to cut down their hedges or face substantial fines. These two councilmen also support the smoking police, the watering police, the business permit police. These two councilmen seem to support everything but the homeless police.

I can't take my two children to the city's parks or beaches because of the homeless problem. With all this frivolous and ridiculous enforcement occurring in Santa Monica, I now have to wonder that if my children decide to open a little lemonade stand in front of our home, simply because they can't use the city's parks or beaches, these two misguided and squirrely councilmen will send the Lemonade Stand police to persecute them for not having a property business permit or license.

If you think I'm joking, remember Santa Monica is the city that persecuted that little boy because of his playhouse. However, if the Lemonade Stand police do happen to show up I will instruct my children to obey the law, unlike councilmen Genser and McKeown who seem to believe that laws and their enforcement only apply to others and not them.

Katherine Marie Anderson
Santa Monica

DeLay reaction should make his motives clear



MODERN TIMES

BY LLOYD GARVER

The other day, I received an invitation from Tom DeLay, Majority Leader of the House of Representatives. Some people would probably say it's just a computer-generated form trying to elicit a contribution to help reelect the President. However, I felt compelled to reply:

Tom DeLay, M.C.
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United States Congress
H-107 The Capitol
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Congressman DeLay:

I just received the invitation to serve as an Honorary Chairman of the House Majority Trust and to come to the 2004 President's Dinner in Washington. I accept.

Since you invited me personally — it said "Lloyd Garver" right there on the envelope, and the letter started off "Dear Friend" — you are apparently familiar with and, I guess, a "friend" of my column. Perhaps one reason you invited me was so I would share with the other guests the views expressed in your favorite columns of mine. With that in mind, I will be prepared to discuss such things as the First Swimsuit Column, Dan Quayle as a possible running mate for John Kerry, and the survey that determined that slobes make better lovers.

I don't mind admitting that I was flattered when you said, "some of the best and wisest decisions will come from working together with exceptional individuals like you."

As a columnist, I have often been rough on politicians from both sides of the aisle. I have certainly not treated the current President with kid gloves. In fact, I have often expressed how appalled I've been at things President Bush has done and said. And yet, you still invited me to this occasion. I am very touched. Until now, I had dismissed the President's description of himself as a "uniter, not a divider" as so much political rhetoric. But because of your desire to include me in this group and at this dinner, I must view the Republican Party as the party of inclusion.

Similarly, I was pleased by your admission that "the Democrats embrace an agenda far different from the principles and ideals of our Republican Party." I think that such an admission may be the first step to

correcting the mistakes of the Republican Party, and I congratulate you on your bravery in making this admission public.

I noticed that you put "M.C." after your name, so I guess you will be the Master of Ceremonies for the evening. I have a couple of suggestions about that. The Republican Party is often accused of not being the party of minorities, so I would lay off the ethnic humor. The safest thing might be for you to just do a few impersonations. You could start with the old, stiff Al Gore and end with the new, ranting Al Gore. But if you feel yourself losing the audience, just say how optimistic you are about America and mention the words "national security." It always works.

Now, to a ticklish topic. When I got to the end of the letter and saw that you were asking people to donate \$5,000, well, frankly I was shocked. You don't invite someone to dinner and then ask them to pay you for the privilege of being invited. It's okay to ask a guest to bring a bottle of wine, a dessert, maybe a side dish. But \$5,000?

Now that I think about it, asking me for a contribution must have been some sort of computer mistake. Someone with your experience is certainly aware that as a columnist, it would be unethical for me to make such a donation. So I guess somebody on your staff "cut and pasted" when they were just supposed to "paste." No biggie. Don't even bother trying to find out who messed up. Sometimes the chain of command gets awfully fuzzy. Besides, everybody will probably just say they were following orders.

So, obviously, I won't be contributing any money. But from your letter, it's clear that this dinner is not about money. It's about ideas, people, and, yes, America. So I know that you won't rescind my invitation just because I'm not contributing financially.

I look forward to seeing you on July 21, and don't worry about me. I can just take a cab to the dinner.

Sincerely,

Lloyd Garver
Honorary Chairman

P.S. If there is going to be Japanese food, I'd rather not sit next to the President's father.

(Lloyd Garver has written for many television shows, ranging from "Sesame Street" to "Family Ties" to "Frasier." He has also read many books, some of them in hardcover. He writes the "Modern Times" column for CBSnews.com's Opinion page and can be reached at smdp@lloydgarver-moderntimes.com)



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OPINION



The QLine

COUNCIL NEEDS TO MIND ITS OWN BUSINESS

This past week, Q-line asked:

Should business owners pay to have their property inspected by City Hall?

Here are your responses:

① "When is this larcenist city council nonsense going to end? The city is going to pieces all around us with the filthy homeless, vagrants and crazies. They keep coming up with these code-correcting, money-making schemes which make money for them, I guess, to pour into the bottomless pit of homeless help money. Of course, the business owners should not have to pay, and what should be investigated are the city employee salaries and padded expense accounts. I wonder where all this money is going?"

② "I cant help but wonder if the inspectors aren't wearing masks and packing six-shooters. Sounds like robbery to me."

③ "The city inspecting a business where there is no complaint or conspicuous violation does not sit well with me. If there is a valid complaint for an inspection, and a violation is found, the inspection and violation is usually accompanied by a fine. In my opinion, that fine should be the only inspection fee."

④ "I am vehemently opposed to this. Business owners are paying enough in this city."

⑤ "Business owners should not have to pay for their property inspection unless they were informed prior to receiving their business license. If they were not, they should not have to pay anything."

⑥ "Let's call this by it's rightful name. It's extortion. Business owners

already pay annual fees for their permits, which should cover inspection costs. Just last month they were billed \$50 for fire inspections, now they are being fleeced for another \$500. Council's actions have come about because they have squandered so much public money, they are resorting to something very close to racketeering in order to make up for the shortfall."

⑦ "This is more taxation without representation. \$500 is ridiculous for the city council to say, "Hey, everything looks fine." Only if there is a problem should there be an inspection or even a suspicion. Even this has to be substantiated, and there is no need for this kind of rip-off against business owners trying to keep the city's economy going."

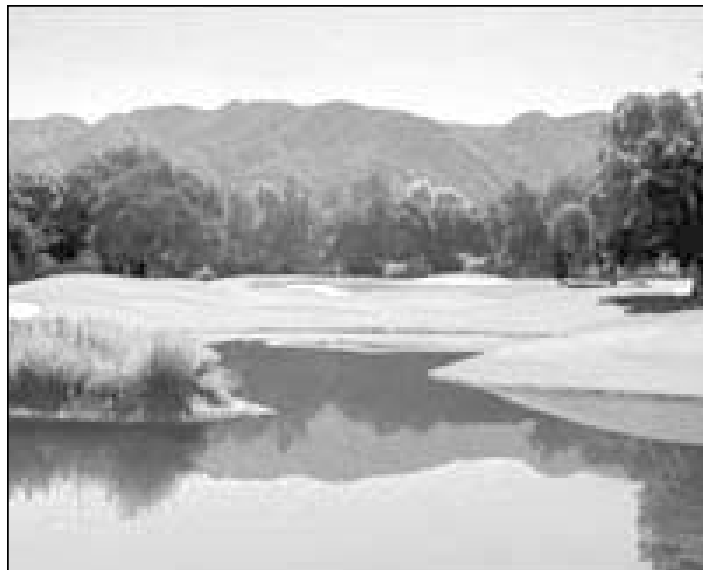
⑧ "They want to gouge money out of the businesses by inspecting them. They should be inspecting the bums for all their stink and garbage and human waste. Oh, but then the bums don't have any money."

⑨ "I don't think any of the business owners should be inspected unless there is a legitimate complaint. Inspectors need to start digging around 1685 Main St. Check on the inspectors there, like the one who got hauled into court last year for illegal activities. Leave the business people alone, they are helping to keep the city going. Unlike the people at City Hall who are doing nothing but creating havoc for everybody, hassling people about hedges and signs. We need to clean house come November and get some actual people in there."

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Clients go from down on streets to up on their feet

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the five founding members of the Turning Point Resource Board and was one of the three honorees at the brunch. Turning Point recognized Ross by giving him the Generous Spirit Award.

Event Chair, Donna Gentry, presented the Brilliant Star Award to Loews Santa Monica Beach Hotel for its outstanding contribution by a corporation, and for its loyalty and commitment to Santa Monica — the St. Monica Parish community received the Open Heart Award.

Turning Point is a project of the Ocean Park Community Center's (OPCC) network of shelters and services. Since 1983, Turning Point has been assisting the homeless in reaching self-sufficiency by providing everything from clothing to computer training. Today, secured with permanent housing and employment, more than 2,500 individuals can give thanks to the program for a successful transition.

Prior to its well-organized digs on 16th St., Turning Point was housed in a church basement in Santa Monica, where volunteers like Ross would sometimes spend the night in order to lend a helping hand. Prior to joining the program, Ross and his wife Shirley tried rescuing families from

the Santa Monica and Malibu streets and parks by offering them hotel rooms and emergency money. The couple quickly realized their generosity would not provide a permanent solution. After reading about OPCC and its many services, the couple took action.

Following the 1994 Northridge earthquake, Ross made a few phone calls, and with the support of many other donors, transformed Turning Point into a project now funded by the City of Santa Monica, the State of California and private donations.

"You can't believe the background of some of these people who end up being homeless," noted Ross during his acceptance speech.

John Maceri, executive director of OPCC, took time to remind the audience that the project gave the homeless a chance at a life most people take for granted, and congratulated the former residents for their accomplishments.

The celebration included champagne and a silent auction wherein articles on bid varied from porcelain dolls to vacation getaways.

"I couldn't think of a more beautiful organization to celebrate," said Patricia Scalan, who graduated in November of 2001.

Scalan found her way to the shelter through a family friend after 25 years of alcohol and drug addiction. Virgil Hill, Turning Point project manager, introduced the audience to a choked-up Scalan, who admitted she had never rented an apartment or owned a check book before the completion of her stay at Turning Point. Cheers and applause followed when a smiling Scalan, now program coordinator of assessment and referral at the Clare Foundation, told the audience she was presently living in a one-bedroom bachelorette pad.

"Now we go to the same pedicure and manicure salon," added a laughing Gentry.

Actor Mark McGraw, brother of country singer Tim McGraw, was also on hand, after hearing about the event and wanted to show his support.

Turning Point seeks to break the cycle of homelessness and to help integrate homeless individuals back into society. The program has a maximum stay of nine months, during which residents are required to save 80 percent of their income. The money they are able to save is critical to their transition. There is currently a three-month waiting list to become a resident.

Woman once was lost, but has found new life

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managed to slip away.

She had never cheated on him or stolen anything for that matter. She had, she says, allowed him to do all her thinking and feeling for more than 10 years. He controlled everything. That morning, McIntosh woke up and said she finally realized she was his equal.

"We'd always beat each other up, but I was never afraid of him," she recalled. "That night, I looked into his eyes and said, 'Who the hell do you think you are?'"

She says he went right for her neck and tried to beat her back into submission. That's when she called the police and found refuge with her three children in a shelter for battered women.

"I felt that if I went back to him, I would have failed at what I was setting out to do, which was to break the cycle," explained McIntosh in a recent interview. After being evicted from her apartment a few years later, she lost her youngsters to the man she escaped.

"I was very hurt and very lost, they were my whole life," she remembered.

McIntosh would spend the next decade addicted to cocaine and methamphetamine, with the occasional night in jail.

Today, as McIntosh attends her regular AA meetings, she can still recall the years of drug addiction that landed her in front of a Pasadena judge in the summer of 1997.

"The judge asked me if I wanted two years in prison or nine months in rehab, so I chose the nine months, and here I am six years later," explained McIntosh. 'Here' is an apartment on Ocean Park. McIntosh now has a car and a stable job at Ocean Park Community Center as a food and inventory specialist. For that, she thanks Turning Point Transitional Housing.

Last Sunday, McIntosh and a dozen other Turning Point graduates joined volunteers and private donors at the Loews Santa Monica Beach Hotel to celebrate a program that has taken more than 2,500 individuals off the streets over the course of the past 20 years.

"The things I have today, I never thought I could have and I owe a lot of it to Turning Point," admits McIntosh, now 45. Though she is tremendously grateful today, McIntosh remembers how scared she was the first day she walked into the 55-bed shelter located on 16th St. "It's the fear of the unknown."

McIntosh, however, proved more than willing to do whatever it took to get off the streets and to not use drugs.

McIntosh grew up in what she referred to as a dysfunctional family with seven children. She was a teenager when her father left her mother after 25 years of marriage.

"I was trying to find my way," she recalled.

She married at 18, right after graduating from Duarte High School, in hopes of finally finding happiness. Instead, she became a welfare mom with three children in an abusive relationship.

"You go through the whole cycle of domestic violence, he says he's sorry and he'll never do it again," she said.

McIntosh has no regrets about the past. These days, she dreams about buying a house and traveling to Italy. In the mean time, when she is not hitting down pins at the bowling alley, she spends her time with her grandchildren.

McIntosh and her children try to avoid talking about the past.

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LOCAL



Officials meet at SM Pier to back new smoking ban

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cylinders packed with 13,000 cigarette butts, collected in just one hour at Newport Beach by a group of about 100 children.

Tourists to the Santa Monica Pier on the gloomy June morning had mixed reactions to the proposal. Lanetta Strever, 35, from Burbank, felt the law was a good idea.

"I don't like the smoking. It's a family thing," she said. "I've got three little ones."

Joyce Mark, 50, a former smoker from Riverside that came to the beach with her two daughters and three grandchildren, agreed trash on the beach was a problem,

but said the smoking ban was a violation of personal rights.

"Smokers pay the same taxes as non-smokers," Mark said.

As to enforcement, officials admitted policing likely would be scant.

"My belief is that this will be largely self-enforcing," said Koretz. "I can't tell you the last time I saw somebody smoking in a restaurant — because everybody knows that's the law."

Added Jim Walker from Stop Tobacco Abuse of Minors Pronto, "Most smokers are not bad people. It's just the habit that is bad."

Attorneys general warn parents to stay connected

CYBERCRIME, page 1

the greatest cybersecurity threat to their networks.

The National Association of Attorneys General works "to facilitate interaction among Attorneys General as peers" and "to facilitate the enhanced performance of Attorneys General and their staffs," according to its mission statement. It includes the chief legal officers from each of the 50 states, as well as the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, and the territories of Samoa, Guam and the Virgin Islands.

Attorney General Bill Lockyer of California is the current president of the Association.

The attorneys participated in a panel on national security, terrorism and individual rights, and discussed the issues of freedom of speech and intellectual property on the Internet over the course of the first three days of the conference. The NAAG also held committee meetings to discuss methods of dealing with environmental policies, health care, violence against women, prescription drug abuse and the tobacco industry.

On Friday, Thomas K. Clancy, the director of the National Center for Justice and the Rule of Law, presented his organization's National Programs Initiative. The Center, which seeks to ensure equality, equity and fairness in law, has been in a partnership with the NAAG since 2001, and has funded programs to train prosecutors for Internet crimes like identification theft, credit card theft and Internet auction theft.

"We need to work together to help investigate sophisticated criminal activity," Clancy said. "What we're trying to do is build a network of people, an organization, to help combat computer-related crime and give the states a role in the area."

He said that a survey returned by 30 attorneys general had showed that only a "small number" of states have a specific unit dedicated to fighting cybercrime. Clancy said that the attorneys general requested more training in forensics, updated legislation, increased cooperation with other offices and the high-tech industry, and a campaign to increase public awareness.

The non-profit organization i-SAFE also made its services available Friday with its Operation Shield. I-SAFE teaches K-12 students to surf the Internet safely and responsibly through classes integrated into school curriculums, according to Chief Operations Officer Dennis Shaw.

Shaw stressed that the Internet has no boundaries and that parents have become increasingly disconnected from their children's Internet activities.

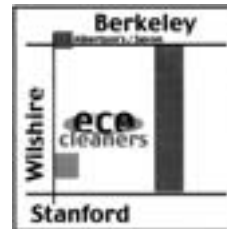
"They take risks, unreasonable risks," Shaw said. "They're online to have fun, and they think that everybody else is online to have fun as well. And that creates a problem. It makes our kids vulnerable to these people."

Shaw compared young and untrained Internet surfers to youth cruising the highway without driving lessons or seat belts. Even worse than a highway, he said, the Internet is filled with people actively seeking to do harm.

"We think the solution is education," Shaw said. "We've got to empower our kids to think responsibly ... There are all different kinds of danger available away from filtering and blocking. We support those, but what we find is that because our kids are so technologically savvy today, [those methods] really aren't effective."

According to NAAG's president-elect, William H. Sorrell, the presentations were aimed at promoting awareness and cooperation between the organizations and the different attorneys general.

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BY ALEX VEIGA
AP Business Writer

But it remains to be seen how much of the Houston-based energy giant will be left by the time it emerges from bankruptcy reorganization.

But before that happens, the state must win its case.

The suit, filed in Alameda County Superior Court, seeks restitution and unspecified damages from the once high-flying energy company that declared bankruptcy in 2001 amid revelations of hidden debt and inflated profits.

"The evidence, we think, is very, very compelling that California rate payers should be entitled to well in excess of a billion dollars — probably closer to 2 billion dollars — in profits that Enron took that were illegal," Lockver said.

A message left with an Enron spokeswoman was not immediately returned.

The lawsuit comes amid a series of developments in the Enron saga.

Tapes recordings released earlier this month of Enron traders' profanity-laced calls showed them openly gloating of manipulating California's power market and boasting they would bring the state to its knees.

In excerpts of the calls, some of which

Lockyer played Thursday, the traders bragged of ripping off California “to the tune of” a million dollars a day and of stealing money from “Grandma Millie.”

"Grandma Millie is California. I am her lawyer and she seeks justice," Lockyer declared.

Lockyer's lawsuit contends that between 1998 and 2001 Enron violated California's commodities and unfair competition laws by engaging in "a number of unlawful, unfair, fraudulent and manipulative trading schemes" to artificially boost energy prices and the company's profits.

Each violation of the state's unfair competition law is punishable by a fine of up to \$2,500, while breaches of the state's commodities law can be punishable by up to \$25,000 per incident.

The suit, the first filed against Enron by the state's top law enforcement officer, accuses the company, among other things, of deliberately causing congestion along power transmission lines, then reaping extra revenue for taking action to relieve the bogus congestion. The company also allegedly misrepresented out-of-market energy sales so it could sell power back to the state at a higher price.

“While the state reeled from the combined impact of sky-high power prices, supply shortages and rolling blackouts, the Enron defendants enjoyed massive, unprecedented profits and extracted millions of dollars in ill-gotten gains from utilities and their customers through a variety of fraudulent schemes,” according to the 20-page complaint.

Lockyer is bringing the suit amid his ongoing battle with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission to collect as much as \$9 billion in refunds from energy wholesalers that officials say the state is owed to cover overcharges it paid during the energy crisis.

FERC has estimated the overcharges at around \$3 billion and has collected less than \$100 million to date.

The attorney general is also attempting to reverse a decision by FERC last month requiring that California refund Enron and other energy companies nearly \$270 million in overcharges from power the state sold during the energy crisis.

"If FERC had been aggressive from the beginning we wouldn't have to file these lawsuits," Lockyer said.

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By The Associated Press

BREA — A landslide danger is forcing closure of Olinda Elementary School. Officials had wanted to expand the rural campus, but geological studies show a possibility for landslides so the state is forcing the school district to close Olinda. The school was built on an ancient landslide and an earthquake or heavy rain could trigger a slide, geologists said.

Safety requirements for nearby homes and businesses aren’t as strict so they can stay. There’s no immediate danger to Olinda students or faculty. Olinda is expected to relocate to a new campus in three or four years.

“It was a big surprise to a lot of people because it seemed to come out of the blue. I was shocked and upset,” parent Paula Neale said.

State geologists discovered the slide danger while studying Olinda’s expansion plans.

ATM thief playing a numbers game

By The Associated Press

SANTA ANA — A man who jams automatic teller machines to steal cash cards is striking Orange County banks, police said.

The man is believed to have struck at least 10 times in the county since August 2003 and is suspected of using the same scam in Los Angeles.

The man, who wears a baseball cap, dark glasses and a goatee, apparently jams the ATM with plastic or tape, then reappears when a customer’s card becomes stuck and offers to help.

“He’ll say, ‘If you put in your PIN and hit the cancel key, your card will come out,’” said Anita Reid-Green, an Irvine police investigator.

That advice fails but the man has memorized the personal identification numbers punched. He leaves and then returns later to retrieve the stuck card, which he uses to withdraw cash from other ATMs.

The man is believed to drive a newer, dark-colored Chevrolet Suburban or GMC Yukon XL, with chrome wheels, rear double doors and a roof rack.

Lawyer who bilked clients no saint

By The Associated Press

HUNTINGTON BEACH — Grand theft and forgery charges were filed against a lawyer who allegedly bilked clients out of \$641,000.

Twenty-four felony counts were filed against attorney Eric St. John, 54, of Huntington Beach, said Mark Macaulay of the Orange County district attorney’s office. St. John was also charged with failure to pay \$102,911 in state taxes.

St. John’s wife, Diana, 56, was charged with three counts of failing to file state tax returns.

The couple was arrested at their Huntington Harbour home on Wednesday and they were released after booking.

Eric St. John was suspended from the state Bar Association for failing to perform competently, communicate with clients or refund unearned fees, California State Bar records show. The association is recommending his removal, association spokesman E.J. Bernacki said.

Van Nuys air show grounded

By The Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — The annual two-day air show at Van Nuys Airport has been canceled.

The popular San Fernando Valley air show, which draws up to 300,000 people, was grounded because of construction on a 13-acre Fire Department air operations facility at the airport, spokeswoman Stacey Geere said.

The decision to shut down the show was made quietly by airport officials last fall, but it wasn’t made public until Thursday when the Daily News inquired about plans for the event.

Mayor James Hahn said public safety was a priority.

“This new helicopter center will enhance the Fire Department’s capability to conduct lifesaving water drop, search and rescue, brush patrol and air ambulance missions that will keep Los Angeles safer for all residents,” said Hahn in a statement.

Instead of the two-day aeronautical spectacular, the airport will host a one-day Van Nuys Airport Community Open House on June 26 with an air demonstration by Fire Department helicopters.

“It’s a tough decision,” said Geere. “The construction of the air operations facility has permanently altered our ability to host the full-scale air show. It’s definitely a benefit to the residents of the San Fernando Valley and the city of Los Angeles to have an improved fire facility.”

Orange you honored? County rejected again

By The Associated Press

SANTA ANA — A Nevada official courted for the job as Orange County’s chief executive rejected the job offer.

It was Orange County’s second rejection in 10 months.

Thom Reilly, manager of Clark County, Nev., for three years, notified Orange County’s interim executive officer this week about his decision.

“It’s a tough decision. Orange County is a great place, but so is Clark County,” Reilly, 43, said. “It’s one of those things you have to weigh back and forth. Ultimately, I just decided to stay here.”

The Board of Supervisors had been expected to approve hiring Reilly as early as its June 29 meeting.

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NATIONAL

Ex-missile commander now defends soldiers in hot-button cases

BY ROBERT WELLER

Associated Press Writer

The military must rue the day it sent Frank Spinner to law school.

The former missile control officer is now a highly successful defense attorney for soldiers accused of everything from dereliction of duty to manslaughter. Just last week, the Air Force dropped rape charges against one of his clients.

It should come as no surprise that Spinner is involved in another big case: He represents Spc. Sabrina Harman, 26, of Lorton, Va., a member of the 372nd Military Police Company who is accused of mistreating Iraqi prisoners in what has become a worldwide scandal.

Spinner will leave his office in nearby Colorado Springs for Baghdad this weekend to prepare for Harman's preliminary hearing next Thursday.

The retired lieutenant colonel declined to talk about his defense of Harman, but noted comments by high-ranking officials have made it difficult to get a fair trial. Lawyers for other defendants in the scandal say they plan to subpoena officials as high as Vice President Dick Cheney.

Spinner, 53, has never been reluctant to do what is necessary. He has called press conferences and held off-the-record chats with reporters to keep them posted — and happy. When he defended a female pilot accused of adultery in Minot, N.D., he offered to present a list of other officers who had committed the same offense without being charged.

"I think there is tremendous irony in that my first trip back to Minot was to defend Kelly Flinn," Spinner mused. Flinn, who had faced the possibility of jail time, won a discharge under honorable conditions.

Spinner, who attended the Air Force Academy but dropped out to get married, was a deputy missile control commander at the North Dakota air base when he took advantage of a program to train officers as lawyers. The military paid for law school in exchange for 10 years of service.

What they got was a one-man band who has handled more than 200 cases, working alone most of the time except for the help of appointed military lawyers. He left the military in 1994 to open a law office in Virginia and a few years ago returned to Colorado, where his father lives in tiny La Veta.

He has been busy ever since.

"Frank is a tough cookie. He knows the system, the law and how to use it to obtain good results for his clients," said defense attorney Charles Gittens of Middleton, Va., one of Spinner's rivals for high-profile military cases.

Spinner's first big case involved Air Force Capt. Jim Wang, who was charged with dereliction of duty in the "friendly fire" shutdown of two Black Hawk helicopters that killed 26 people over Iraq in 1994. A military jury cleared him a year later.

Spinner later won an acquittal for Marine Capt. Richard Ashby after his jet severed a gondola cable, killing 20 people in Italy.

Spinner, the son of an Air Force officer who became a minister, is a member of the Christian Legal Society. Inside a courtroom, however, he is more pit bull than pastor.

In the recent rape case, Spinner faced a military intent on showing it was tough on allegations of sexual misconduct after more than a year of ugly headlines involving the prestigious Air Force Academy.

He argued commanders were improperly pushing for a conviction of Cadet Douglas Meester to answer the complaints that more than 100 female cadets had been assaulted, harassed or punished over the past decade.

He lost that argument and was appealing when the government offered a plea bargain that included no rape charges.

"You can't shy away from the truth," Spinner declared in court.

Meester had come to court with his bag packed, ready to go to the brig even on the lesser charges. By the time Spinner was through telling the judge that what had happened in an academy dorm room happens every night in colleges nationwide, his client had a simple reprimand and a \$2,000 fine. And Meester is appealing that.

"He's willing to do whatever it takes, as long as it's honest, to defend his client," Douglas Meester Sr. said of his son's attorney. "In addition to his expertise in military justice, we chose Frank for my son's case because he shows the courage to fight for the facts despite the political consequences."

Now comes Harman's case.

Harman, a 26-year-old former pizza shop manager, joined the Army Reserve after the Sept. 11 attacks. She is one of two smiling soldiers seen in a photo taken at Abu Ghraib as they stand behind naked, hooded Iraqi prisoners stacked in a pyramid.

An Army report obtained by The New Yorker magazine quotes Harman as saying her job was to keep detainees awake, including a hooded prisoner who was placed on a box with wires attached to his fingers, toes and genitals.

She has told The Washington Post she was assigned to break down prisoners for interrogation, though she and other members of the MP unit had never been trained for such a job. She said those who brought the prisoners in "would set the standards on whether or not to 'be nice.'"

"I certainly feel I have a lot to work with," was as specific as Spinner would get in the Harman case. Harman's family did not return calls seeking comment.

Spinner said he decides which cases to take depending on his busy schedule.

"I want to be sure I can add value to the defense since they will have a military lawyer appointed for them," Spinner said. He said he also wants to be convinced of his client's innocence.

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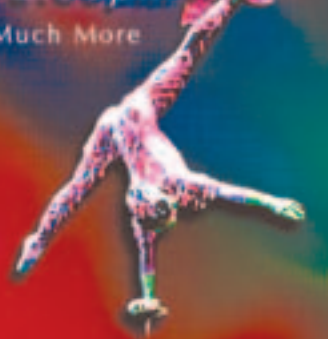
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He said the death rate for Indians with diabetes is 249 percent higher than for people of all other races in this country.

A farm leader from Colorado recommended retooling federal policies to help ranchers and farmers receive fair prices

New Mexico Republican Party Chairman Allen Weh said Democrats and Sen. John Kerry, the presumptive Democratic nominee, "cling to a pessimistic vision of America rather than face the reality that, under President Bush, America's economy is strong and growing stronger."

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Associated Press Writer

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NATIONAL



Negative attitude by Bush doesn't damper Kerry

BY WILL LESTER

Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON — President Bush's re-election team drove up negative impressions of John Kerry during a relentless \$80 million advertising campaign the last three months, but the Republicans failed to undercut the Democrat's standing as a viable alternative to Bush.

As the Bush-Cheney campaign's spring push draws to a close, the Republicans have succeeded in changing voters' perception of Kerry.

After winning the primaries in early March, Kerry was viewed favorably by a 2-to-1 margin. Now, half view him favorably and four in 10 have an unfavorable assessment, according to a Pew Research Center poll released this week.

"The Bush campaign raised Kerry's negatives on the themes they were advertising and reinforced the perception of Bush as a strong leader," said Kathleen Hall Jamieson, a specialist in political communication and director of the Annenberg Public Policy Center at the University of Pennsylvania.

A majority of voters critical of Kerry are more likely to mention his character as a major reason, especially his perceived inconsistency on issues, the poll found. The Democrat didn't help his cause with a handful of campaign slips, including an odd explanation that the GOP incorporated into the Bush ads.

During a West Virginia campaign stop, Kerry said he voted for the \$87 billion aid package for Afghanistan and Iraq before voting against it. Kerry had favored an earlier version that called for rescinding tax cuts to pay for the bill; when that failed, he cast a protest vote that would have no impact on the bill's passage.

Although the Bush re-election campaign has achieved one goal — changing voters' impressions of the Democrat — it has been unable to do what President Clinton managed in 1996: open what proved to be an insurmountable lead over Republican challenger Bob Dole.

Eight years ago, the Clinton re-election team, relying on an aggressive ad campaign, turned a 4 percentage-point lead over Dole in January into a 16-point advantage in June. Recent surveys show Kerry either tied with Bush or one candidate holding a slight advantage over the other with more than four months remaining before Election Day.

Kerry's biographical ads focusing on his decorated tours of duty in Vietnam have been particularly effective, Jamieson said. The Kerry campaign spent more than \$60 million on ads that attempted to define the four-term Massachusetts senator for a significant part of the electorate that knows little about him and spots criticizing Bush's policies.

Democratic-leaning interest groups spent another \$40 million on advertising critical of Bush.

Kerry remains locked in a very close race with Bush — with the incumbent at 46 percent, Kerry at 45 percent and independent Ralph Nader at 6 percent in a recent

Associated Press-Ipsos poll.

The Bush campaign plans to stop running ads for several days next week while Kerry will remain on the air. Bush strategist Matthew Dowd said the ads accomplished much of what the campaign wanted, including raising doubts about the Democrat.

Negative views of Kerry increased among both Republicans and independents, the Pew poll found.

"Kerry hasn't left much of an impression on me," said Chris Deorio, a 54-year-old independent from Bloomington, N.J. "I think he's got too many conflicting ideas, he goes back and forth on too many things. He's not the kind of guy who gives me a lot of confidence."

The Kerry campaign counters that for all the money Bush has spent, the Republican has gained little traction.

"They have used their best opportunity, spent more than \$80 million on negative advertising and John Kerry's in a strong position," said Kerry campaign pollster Mark Mellman. Most of Bush ads have criticized Kerry, although not all.

The continuing violence in Iraq, the prison abuse scandal and the reports emerging from the Sept. 11 commission that have raised questions about Bush's handling of the war on terrorism have drawn attention from the

campaign.

Republican dairy farmer Sam Spadine, who lives near Scranton, Pa., said the news from Iraq has kept him from watching much television, in part because the reports are too aggravating and depressing.

"Iraq was the big thing that has turned me off to Bush," Spadine said, citing his opposition to the idea of a pre-emptive war.

The Pew poll found that those who have a favorable view of Kerry said they liked his character or his policies, but were often vague on specifics. Retired electrician Doyle Moreland, of San Antonio, says he prefers Kerry but has a hard time explaining why.

"I know plenty about Bush and it's too much," Moreland said. "I really couldn't say how I feel about Kerry, I don't know much about him."

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NATIONAL

Terrorist's original idea for 9/11 was pitched to bin Laden in '96

BY CONNIE CASS
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON — Five years before the worst terror attack in American history, a U.S.-educated Kuwaiti pitched an outlandish idea to Osama bin Laden.

Khalid Shaikh Mohammed, now a U.S. captive, concedes his apocalyptic vision of 10 planes steered into nuclear power plants, skyscrapers and other American targets received only a lukewarm response from the al-Qaida kingpin.

The meeting in Afghanistan in mid-1996, however, apparently was the genesis of the attacks that killed nearly 3,000 people on Sept. 11, 2001. Three reports issued this week by the Sept. 11 commission provide the fullest picture yet of how Mohammed's idea evolved from wild scheme to unfathomable reality — and the government's chaotic response.

Mohammed had targeted U.S. airliners before. He was indicted in the United States earlier in 1996 for plotting to bomb 12 flights over the Pacific Ocean, but he wasn't captured. Mohammed, born in Kuwait and a 1986 graduate from North Carolina Agricultural and Technical State University, also wanted to crash a plane into CIA headquarters.

His new plan needed bin Laden's money and his muscle.

Between May 1996, when bin Laden moved to Afghanistan from Sudan, and the Sept. 11 attacks, more than 20,000 men trained at his terror camps. They learned to be soldiers and, the Sept. 11 commission said, "to think creatively about ways to commit mass murder."

They floated ideas: take over a Russian launch site and fire a nuclear missile at the United States, pump poison gas into a building's air conditioning, hijack a plane to attack a city.

Advanced terrorism training was given to only the most promising recruits, among them the Sept. 11 hijackers. Early in 1999, bin Laden gave the go-ahead for a scaled-down version of Mohammed's proposal three years earlier.

According to Mohammed, the two drew up a list of potential targets:

- The Capitol, perceived source of U.S. policy in support of Israel;
- The White House and Pentagon, both advocated by bin Laden as potent American symbols;
- The World Trade Center, favored by Mohammed, whose nephew Yousef was in prison for the 1993 bombing of the towers that represented America's financial might.

Bin Laden selected potential suicide hijackers. The first two arrived in Los Angeles on Jan. 15, 2000. During the next 18 months, 17 more followed, some entering the country on fraudulent visas. Four, including ringleader Mohammed Atta, attended U.S. flight schools.

FBI agents in Arizona and Minnesota were suspicious of the flight students, but their alarms went unheeded by higher-ups.

The summer of 2001 was a time of intensive preparation by the hijackers. They rode cross-country flights for surveillance, brought boxcutters onto planes as tests, practiced flying rented planes and honed their strength at gyms.

Meanwhile, in Afghanistan, senior al-Qaida leaders were under pressure from the Taliban not to attack inside America's borders. Some feared U.S. military retaliation. Despite the pressure, bin Laden prodded Atta to get on with it.

In mid-August, Atta settled on the date of Sept. 11,

choosing a week when Congress would be back from summer break. Bin Laden wanted to strike the White House; Atta preferred the Capitol as an easier target. The commission said it has been unable to determine definitely which was the intended target on Sept. 11.

The hijackers bought their flight tickets in late August and early September. Then, ever loyal, they took care of a final detail — sending back to al-Qaida \$36,000 they didn't need.

At the airports early on Sept. 11, nine of the hijackers were pulled aside for extra security screenings, but all were allowed to proceed, some with hidden knives and boxcutters.

At 8 a.m., American Airlines Flight 11 took off from Boston, with five hijackers aboard. Within 45 minutes, the other 14 hijackers were airborne: on flights out of Boston at 8:14, from Dulles airport near Washington at 8:20, from Newark, N.J., at 8:42.

On the ground, the first sign of trouble came when air traffic control lost contact with Flight 11 about 8:13 a.m. Minutes later, air traffic controllers heard an ominous transmission from the cockpit:

"We have some planes. Just stay quiet and you'll be OK. We are returning to the airport."

The Boston controller wasn't sure what he had just heard. Then came a second transmission, believed to have been the voice of Atta, the plane's pilot, addressing the passengers: "Nobody move. Everything will be OK. If you try to make any moves, you'll endanger yourself and the airplane."

It was a hijacking.

Air controllers first tried to call a military alert site in Atlantic City, N.J., unaware it had been closed. It was the start of a cascade of communications errors that morning that undermined any chance of stopping the attacks.

At 8:37 a.m., controllers reached the Northeast sector of NORAD, the North American Aerospace Defense Command, and urged them to scramble fighter jets because a hijacked plane was headed for New York.

"Is this real-world or exercise?" responded an incredulous military official.

"No, this is not an exercise, not a test," the FAA said.

Nine minutes later, Flight 11 flew into the north tower of the World Trade Center.

Those nine minutes were the most notice the military would receive of any of the four hijackings.

Confusion turned to chaos during the next hour, as the Federal Aviation Administration struggled with "an unprecedented challenge they had never encountered and had never trained to meet," the commission wrote.

Just before 9 a.m., President Bush stood outside a Sarasota, Fla., elementary school classroom, preparing to read to second-graders. Aides told him a small plane had struck the World Trade Center. He assumed it was a tragic accident, though the FAA and air defense officials already knew otherwise.

Air traffic controllers in New York were looking frantically for another plane that had disappeared from their screens. The hijackers had turned off its transponder, a tracking device.

"It's escalating big, big time," a New York manager warned the FAA command center in Herndon, Va. Two minutes later, United Airlines Flight 175 from Boston crashed into the south tower of the World Trade Center.

White House Chief of Staff Andrew Card whispered in the president's ear: "A second plane hit the second tower. America is under attack."

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INTERNATIONAL



Al-Qaida takes credit for beheading U.S. hostage

BY SALAH NASRAWI

Associated Press Writer

RIYADH, Saudi Arabia — An al-Qaida group said Friday it killed American hostage Paul M. Johnson Jr., posting three photos on the Internet showing his body and severed head.

The message, in the name of Al-Qaida in the Arabian Peninsula, appeared as a 72-hour deadline set by the group ended.

Saudi security officials said Johnson's body was found in al-Munisiyah district just outside the capital, Riyadh.

President Bush condemned the beheading and vowed that "America will not be intimidated by these kinds of extremist thugs." And Vice President Dick Cheney promised "America will hunt down the killers, one by one, and destroy them."

A U.S. official in Washington said the main suspect in the killing is Abdulaziz Issa Abdul-Mohsin al-Moqrin, the top al-Qaida figure in Saudi Arabia. The official spoke on condition of anonymity.

The al-Qaida statement posted on the Internet said, "In answer to what we promised ... to kill the hostage Paul Marshall (Johnson) after the period is over ... the infidel got his fair treatment."

"Let him taste something of what Muslims have long tasted from Apache helicopter fire and missiles," the statement said.

Johnson, 49, who worked on Apache

attack helicopter systems for Lockheed Martin, was kidnapped last weekend by militants who threatened to kill him by Friday if the kingdom did not release its al-Qaida prisoners. The Saudi government rejected the demands.

He was the latest victim of an escalating campaign targeting Westerners that Saudi and U.S. officials say aims to drive foreign workers from the kingdom and undermine the ruling royal family, hated by al-Qaida.

Al-Moqrin's group Al-Qaida in the Arabian Peninsula has claimed responsibility for most anti-Westerner attacks in the past two months.

"The inhumanity of the crime exceeds all boundaries of civilized people," U.S. Ambassador to Saudi Arabia James Oberwetter said in a statement. "There is a tremendous sadness on the part of the family, the U.S. Embassy, and the American community at Paul's death."

The Saudi ambassador to Britain called the slaying "an evil act by evil people."

"We will continue to use every effort to fight this murderous cult in Saudi Arabia," Prince Turki al-Faisal said in London.

Earlier, as the deadline approached, Saudi security forces launched an all-out search, going door-to-door in some Riyadh neighborhoods, as Johnson's wife went on Arab television Friday pleading for his release. But officials admitted they had few leads on the group that abducted

him or where he was being held.

After Johnson's death was reported, his family was in seclusion at a town house in Galloway Township, N.J., where they have been holding a vigil. A man in front of the house identified himself only as "Bill" and said the family did not want to talk to reporters.

One of the three photographs posted on the Web site showed a man's head, face toward the camera, being held by a hand. The other two showed a beheaded body lying prone on a mattress, with the severed head placed in the small of his back, the clothes underneath bloodied.

The face looked like Johnson's.

The beheaded body was dressed in a bright orange jumpsuit, similar to one Johnson is seen wearing in earlier videos released by the kidnappers.

"To the Americans and whoever is their ally in the infidel and criminal world and their allies in the war against Islam, this action is punishment to them and a lesson for them to know that whoever steps foot in our country, this decisive action will be his fate," the al-Qaida statement said.

Soon after the statement appeared, the Web site was inaccessible, with a message saying it was closed for maintenance.

Johnson is the second American to be kidnapped and beheaded in the Middle East in just over a month.

American businessman, Nicholas Berg, was beheaded by his captors in Iraq,

and his last moments later appeared on a videotape posted on an al-Qaida-linked Web site. His body was found on May 12. U.S. officials say al-Qaida-linked Muslim militant Abu Musab al-Zarqawi may have been Berg's killer.

Johnson was seized on June 12, the same day that Islamic militants shot and killed Kenneth Scroggs of Laconia, N.H., in his garage in Riyadh.

Scroggs worked for Advanced Electronics Co., a Saudi firm whose Web site lists Lockheed Martin among its customers. The office number on Johnson's business card was for Advanced Electronics.

The same week as Scroggs' death, militants shot and killed another American, Robert Jacobs, and an Irish citizen in Riyadh.

It appears that Jacobs was also decapitated after being shot to death. Video shows his attackers bent over his body, making a sawing motion near the head, though there was no confirmation.

A spokesman for Lockheed Martin Corp. said the company had "no official notification on the status of Paul Johnson."

"But obviously we hope that the media reports people are seeing are not true," spokesman Jeff Adams said from the Bethesda, Md. headquarters.

A message posted on the defense contractor's Web site reads "Our thoughts and prayers are with Paul M. Johnson Jr. and his family," but a notation on the message refers to it as "Employee Kidnapped."



WORLD BRIEFLY

Insurgents keep up pressure

By The Associated Press

BAGHDAD, Iraq — Insurgents launched two deadly attacks Friday in Baghdad, killing an American soldier and wounding a civilian contractor in a mortar barrage on a U.S. base, and injuring three U.S. troops in a coordinated ambush in another part of the capital.

The attacks were among several in Sunni Muslim areas of Iraq following a series of deadly car bombings this week that have unnerved an Iraqi public before the transfer of sovereignty at the end of this month. Municipal officials said at least 13 Iraqis have died in two days of clashes between U.S. troops and insurgents in the town of Buhriz northeast of Baghdad.

Three Iraqi civilians died in the Baghdad ambush, which began when a roadside bomb exploded in the Kamalaya district in the east of the city, the U.S. command said. Insurgents opened fire from the rooftops. U.S. troops returned fire and the insurgents "sustained moderate casualties," the statement said.

Several hours later, six mortar shells exploded at a 1st Cavalry Division camp in southern Baghdad, killing an American soldier and slightly injuring a contractor working for Kellogg Brown and Root, the military said.

Elsewhere, American soldiers clashed with insurgents Friday for a second straight day in the Sunni town of Buhriz, 35 miles northeast of Baghdad.

Insurgents also attacked U.S. troops Friday at a police station in the Sunni Triangle city of Samarra, firing rocket-propelled grenades and rifles after warning shopkeepers to close, witnesses said. U.S. troops returned fire, wounding two attackers, residents said by telephone. There was no report on U.S. casualties.

Strip tease? Gaza getting divvied up

By The Associated Press

JERUSALEM — The Palestinian Authority and militant groups have begun putting together an agreement to share power in the Gaza Strip after an Israeli withdrawal from the volatile territory, officials said Friday.

Palestinian Prime Minister Ahmed Qureia confirmed

that the document is being written and said it would be completed after additional talks in Egypt.

Qureia met Friday with Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak in Cairo to discuss the Israeli withdrawal from Gaza, scheduled to be completed by September 2005. Israeli Prime Minister Ariel Sharon refuses to negotiate the terms of the pullout with the Palestinians, and Egypt is serving as a mediator.

The Egyptians have pledged to send military advisers to help train and reform the Palestinian security forces and are seeking assurances from Israel that it will halt all military strikes in Gaza well before the pullout, to allow the advisers to work, Qureia said in a telephone interview from Cairo.

As part of reform efforts, Egypt also is pressing Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat to merge 12 security branches into three. Arafat has resisted reforming the security branches in the past and has not given an unequivocal answer.

Egypt is trying to broker an agreement between the Palestinian Authority and rival factions — including the militant Hamas and Islamic Jihad groups — on how to run Gaza after a pullback, a Palestinian official said Friday, speaking on condition of anonymity.

Deputies take rap for music video

By The Associated Press

ATLANTA — A best-selling rapper filmed an unauthorized video at the Fulton County Jail while out on work release from another jail, embarrassed county officials said.

Part of a video for rapper Clifford Harris, whose stage name is T.I., was shot Thursday night, authorities said.

An Atlantic Records spokesman for the rapper did not immediately return calls for comment.

Harris' first album, "I'm Serious," was released in 2001. His second album, "Trap Muzik," was a best-seller on the charts last year.

Harris was serving jail time in neighboring Cobb County on a probation violation when he received permission to leave the jail to make the tape at the Fulton jail, Cobb County Chief Deputy Sheriff Lynda Coker said.

A spokesman for Fulton County Sheriff Jackie Barrett said she had no idea a rap video was being filmed inside the 3,200-inmate jail. Deputies apparently allowed "four or five" men up to the seventh floor with a hand-held camcorder, Barrett said. Barrett said the deputies would be disciplined.

Houston, we have a prodigy

By The Associated Press

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. — Space station astronaut Mike Fincke was listening in from orbit Friday when he got the good news: It's a girl.

His wife Renita Fincke gave birth to their second child at a Houston-area hospital. The astronaut was connected via a NASA-arranged radio hookup to his wife's cell phone in the delivery room, a family friend said.

NASA officials said it was the first time to their knowledge that a U.S. astronaut was in space during the birth of his child.

The couple named the girl Tarali Paulina. Fincke proudly informed Mission Control that Tara means "star" in the Indian dialect of his wife's family. Their son is named Chandra, which means "moon."

"My wife had already given me the moon, now she's given me a star," he said.

NASA also arranged two video conferences for the family in the hours after the birth to give Fincke a chance to see his newborn, family friend Judith Hayes said.

Immigrants keep low profile

By The Associated Press

ONTARIO, Calif. — Elidia Celestina peered from behind a window shade before opening the door a crack to a stranger. If she leaves her apartment at all these days, it is only for a rushed, nerve-racking trip to the store.

"Everyone is afraid," said Celestina, 19, who came from Mexico five months ago. "We're like mice, hiding in our homes."

She and many other illegal immigrants in Southern California have been gripped by fear since a new Border Patrol unit began roving through Hispanic communities and making arrests well north of the border, beyond the agency's usual area of operations.

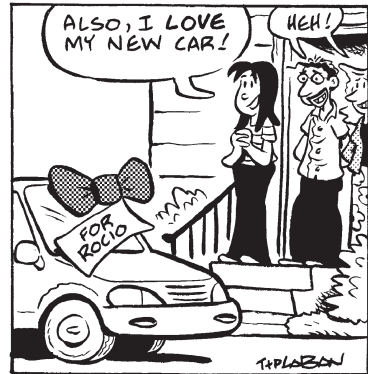
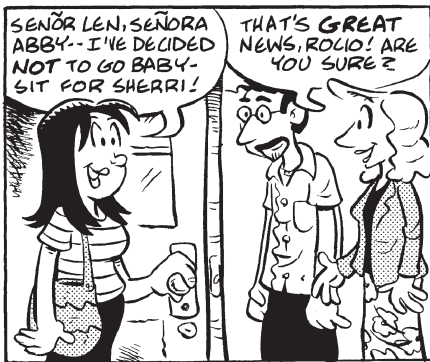


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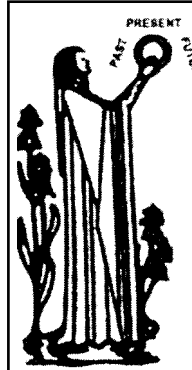
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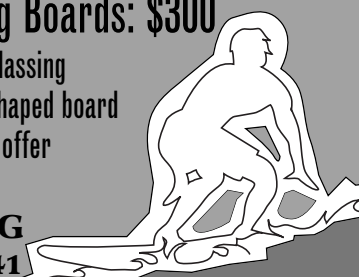
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PEOPLE IN THE NEWS

People in the views: Madonna keeps them away

By The Associated Press

■ **LONDON** — Madonna won her bid Friday to stop walkers from traipsing over large parts of her \$16 million country estate.

The singer's lawyers had argued before a public inquiry that a demand from the Countryside Agency to let rambles onto areas regarded as open countryside would bring strangers close to her home at Ashcombe House, compromising her privacy and security.

The inquiry ruled Friday that the public has no right of access to 15 of 17 contested segments of land on the 1,200-acre estate, on the border of Wiltshire and Dorset counties in southwest England.

The Countryside Agency claimed a partial victory, saying that the two parcels of land where walkers must be allowed account for 123 acres of the 350 acres under dispute.

"Almost half of the land contested at the public inquiry has been classed as open count," the agency said.

Those areas aren't within sight of Madonna's home, said planning inspector David Pinner, who announced the inquiry's decision.

At the inquiry hearing in Shaftesbury last month, lawyers for Madonna and her film-director husband, Guy Ritchie, argued that the designated land was not open countryside and allowing the public access would cause an invasion of their privacy and breach their human rights.

A spokesman for the couple, who were listed as Mr. and Mrs. G. Ritchie in legal papers relating to the case, said they would have no comment.

■ **LONDON** — "ER" star Alex Kingston said Friday she's leaving the hit show because her character's story lines have come to a natural end, not because the producers think she's too old.

Radio Times magazine quoted the British actress earlier this month as saying the long-running medical drama was increasingly focused on young characters,

"and apparently I, according to the producers and the writers, am part of the old fogeys who are no longer interesting."

She told British Broadcasting Corp. television that her comments were taken out of context, and that she was leaving "ER" by mutual agreement.

"There is absolutely no bitterness to my leaving, seriously. And unfortunately I think the press have been misinformed and misinformed the public," she said. "I'm leaving because my contract has come to its natural end."

Accusations that the makers of "ER" discriminated against her because of her age were "absolutely not true at all," said the 41-year-old actress.

"I'm horrified and embarrassed for 'ER' because they have no right to be tarnished with the ageism brush because they are absolutely not that at all. We mutually felt that my character's story lines had run their course, all of the characters that Corday had been involved with have left the show and we agreed that maybe it was time to move on."

Kingston said she didn't yet know how "ER" writers would plot her out of the show.

"I don't think I'll be killed by a helicopter because that's happened already" to another character, Dr. Robert Romano, she said. "I think they will hopefully let her live."

■ **MIAMI** — An 89-year-old woman whom Robin Givens struck with her sport utility vehicle has filed a civil lawsuit against the actress.

The auto negligence lawsuit filed on behalf of Maria Antonia Alcover does not seek a specific money amount.

Alcover, a Cuban immigrant who came to the United States in 1963, is in a nursing home recovering from the accident that occurred five months ago in the crosswalk of a busy city street at rush hour.

Her lawyer, Steve Jugo, said it's unclear whether she'll walk again.

"She is doing better and she didn't lose her leg, but she says her life has been ruined," Alcover's nephew, Tony Garcia, told the Miami Herald.

Witnesses said Alcover had been inching across the road, and wasn't quite on the sidewalk when the traffic light turned green.

Givens, the ex-wife of former heavyweight boxing champion Mike Tyson, turned the corner and swiped Alcover, forcing her to fall backward into the SUV, which crushed her right leg, witnesses said.

Givens, who stayed with Alcover while officials arrived, was issued a traffic summons for failing to use due care when a pedestrian was in the crosswalk, which carries a fine of less than \$70, police said.

She pleaded not guilty and appeared in traffic court Wednesday. Her trial was postponed to Sept. 13.

Christopher Nicholas, a Tallahassee attorney defending Givens in the civil case, declined to comment. Givens' traffic court attorney could not be reached.

Alcover's civil lawsuit also names Givens' sister, who owns the 2000 Mercedes SUV Givens was driving.

■ **DETROIT** — An auto parts supplier won't be allowed to quote race car driver Mario Andretti to promote its products, a federal judge ruled.

In March 2003, Andretti filed a lawsuit in Detroit against California-based Borla Enterprises, a supplier of high-performance exhaust systems and catalytic converters, claiming the company wrongly used his words in an advertisement.

Despite knowing about a four-year deal Andretti signed in November 2001 to endorse products from Borla rival Car Sound Exhaust System Inc., Borla ran advertisements in automobile magazines that included a June 2001 interview in which Andretti praised a Borla product.

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