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THE POLICE BEAT ISSUE

Cops bust Ecstasy ring

BY KEVIN HERRERA
Editor in Chief

PUBLIC SAFETY FACILITY What started as a few low-level drug busts in Santa Monica and West Los Angeles has led authorities to one of the biggest Ecstasy import rings in the region, authorities said.

Alexandru Sabau, 37, who was taken into custody last week by Santa Monica Police and U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) agents, faces charges in federal court stemming from his role in a scheme to smuggle Ecstasy into the United

States from Canada and exchange it for caches of cocaine.

The charges brought by the United States Attorney's Office for the Central District of California stem from a three-month joint undercover probe, police said.

"This was a major supplier," said SMPD Lt. Doug Theus, commander of the Office of Special Enforcement. "What happens is we arrest someone and they give us information that leads to another arrest and another and another until it grows bigger and bigger, leading us to a major supplier."

The arrest "absolutely" puts a dent in the

supply of Ecstasy in Santa Monica, Theus said.

Officials with ICE said SMPD officers played a major role in breaking up the ring, going so far as to say that they do not believe the arrest would have been possible without their help.

"We believe this individual was seeking to bring significant quantities of Ecstasy into Southern California from Canada, which he told our informants he intended to use as collateral to obtain caches of

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Photo courtesy ICE

HUGE SUPPLY: Agents with the U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement and officers with the Santa Monica Police Department arrested a Canadian citizen for possession of approximately 100,000 Ecstasy tablets. Authorities said the suspect, Alexandru Sabau, 37, was looking to trade the Ecstasy for 25 kilograms of cocaine.



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BUSINESS IS BLOOMING: Jolene Reynolds, co-owner of Delarobbia Flower Mart on Fourth Street, creates a bouquet last week.

Businesses say 'I Do' to gay marriage

BY ALICE OLLSTEIN
Special to the Daily Press

DOWNTOWN After decades of discrimination and legal hurdles, same-gender couples can finally wed, and the local economy is

set to reap the benefits.

While many couples are rushing straight to the courthouse for a quick, civil ceremony, the surge of business for wedding planners, hotels, photographers, dressmakers and florists could bring much-needed relief

to the slumping California market.

And since California, unlike Massachusetts, will marry out-of-state couples, the tourism industry is also expected

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Homeless man arrested for Arizona murder

BY DANIEL ARCHULETA
Managing Editor

PUBLIC SAFETY FACILITY A homeless man wanted for first-degree murder and sexual assault in Tucson, Ariz., was taken into custody by Santa Monica Police officers late Monday night, officials said.

"It is obviously an example of good police work," said Deputy Dawn Hanke, a public information officer with the Pima County Sheriff's Department. "We're happy Santa Monica PD helped get another bad guy off the street."

Officers were responding to a call regarding a noise disturbance in the 700 block of Seventh Street when they encountered John Vincent Nitzke, 48.

Officers detained the man while they checked for warrants, discovering that he



NITZKE

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Give yourself the gift of some quiet moments in the middle of the week. Walk and meditate on the new permanent labyrinth in Simkins Hall.

Kicking it with Kiwanis

1332 Sixth St., 12 p.m. — 1:30 p.m.

The Santa Monica Kiwanis Club is holding its weekly luncheon at the Santa Monica YMCA. There will be a guest speaker at the event. For information, call (310) 613-1249.

World of geishas

1332 Second St., 1pm, 3:20 p.m., 5:40 p.m., 8 p.m. & 10:15 p.m.

Enter the mysterious world of geishas at the World Premiere Screening of "Hannari — Geisha Modern," a documentary film that seeks to capture these Japanese performers and their culture for what they are truly meant to be. The true beauty of the geisha can be seen in performances during June 26 — July 2 at the Laemmle Theatre. It is \$10 per ticket at box office. For additional information, visit www.hannari.info or call (310)394-9741.

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Cops say shooting was gang related

BY KEVIN HERRERA
Editor in Chief

DOWNTOWN A shooting that took the life of a 28-year-old man in the Pico Neighborhood on Saturday has been deemed gang related, police said.

Byron Lopez was murdered by two African-American suspects while walking in the 2000 block of Court 19. Detectives are still searching for the suspects, said Sgt. Renaldi Thruston, with the Santa Monica Police Department.

The night Lopez was shot a gang task force involving officers from various agencies throughout Southern California was assembled.

But instead of patrolling the Pico Neighborhood, which has been the center of gang activity in the city for nearly 20 years, the officers involved in the task force were assigned only to the western side of the city, patrolling along Lincoln Boulevard into Marina del Rey in an effort to keep suspected gang members from coming into the city at a time when hundreds gathered at

John Adams Middle School for a fireworks show.

The task force was formed in response to a stabbing that occurred two weekends ago adjacent to the Santa Monica Pier, Thruston said.

Some have questioned why the task force was not assigned to the Pico Neighborhood, where two known Santa Monica gangs are based.

Thruston said extra officers have been assigned to the Pico Neighborhood on a regular basis for some time and that command

staff wanted the task force to focus on preventing gang members from coming into Santa Monica from Venice. Santa Monica College, which hosted the fireworks show, assigned its officers to patrol JAMS. SMPD officers were also working the fireworks show.

The weapon used in the shooting is still unknown. Officers are waiting for the coroner to send evidence to the SMPD for testing, Thruston said.

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Delaying smoke signals

BY KEVIN HERRERA
Editor in Chief

CITY HALL Owners of restaurants and bars will have more time to train their employees on the latest changes to Santa Monica's comprehensive smoking ban as city officials postpone enforcement until a proper public relations campaign is in place.

Deputy City Attorney Adam Radinsky of the Consumer Protection Unit said the change to the smoking ban, which makes business owners liable if they knowingly or intentionally allow customers to smoke in outdoor dining areas and patios, will go into effect July 22, 90 days after it was approved by the City Council.

However, officers will not enforce it until the council has approved of a marketing campaign being created by Southard Communications.

Smoking is illegal anywhere within 20 feet of public entrances, exits and windows in the seaside city. The ban, which went into effect on Thanksgiving Day in 2006, encompasses outdoor areas of assembly, such as the Third Street Promenade, Farmers' Markets, outdoor dining areas, bus stops and ATM lines.

"The effective date has already been delayed," Radinsky said. "Normally, [ordinances] go into effect 30 days after council approval and we made this go into effect 90 days to coincide with the PR program. Our office believes it would be wise and fair to wait until then since there has been a delay."

Southard is close to developing a slogan and brand that is intended to celebrate living in a smoke-free environment, however, the council must approve the campaign and there is no telling when that may happen.

Southard is still waiting to hear back from City Hall on when the council will be available to review their proposal.

"The council's schedule in the summer is in question," said Roxana Janka, vice president of Southard, which has an office in Santa Monica. "They are not sure if they will have a quorum for some of the summer meetings because people will be on vacation and July 22 is pretty packed with the land use update."

Southard still has to finish a survey of residents and visitors to determine how many people are familiar with the smoking ban.

"Our guess is that most people know of the law, but they don't know the details of the law," Janka said.

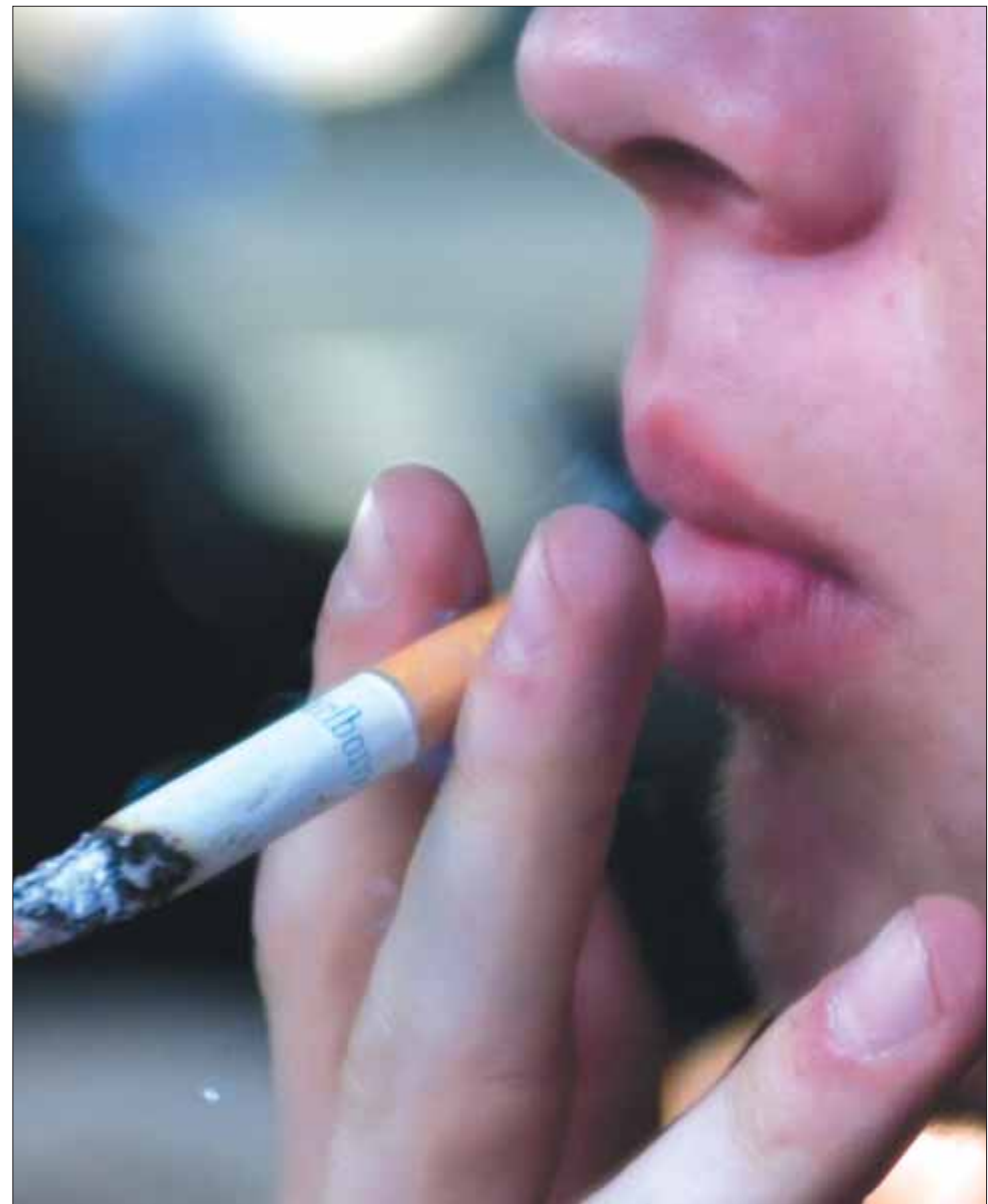
Southard has worked with students from Santa Monica High School to develop a marketing strategy and are now working on creative concepts.

"We'd love to launch mid-August," Janka said.

The business community has pushed for a PR campaign ever since the initial ban was approved in 2006, fearing that enforcement could turn tourists off. Representatives from the Chamber of Commerce and Convention and Visitors Bureau pushed hard for the delay in enforcement, saying more time is needed to educate residents and visitors, as well as train employees.

"The business community has said we will support you, but we need help," said Samantha O'Neil with the chamber. "We are excited about being a part of the process ... but we need to work together and starting enforcement before we launch a campaign will hurt that process."

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WHERE THERE'S SMOKE: Restaurants and bars will have until July 22 to enforce a new smoking law which makes business owners liable if they knowingly or intentionally allow customers to smoke in outdoor dining areas and patios. The City Council passed the ban in April.



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Enhancing the ‘common good’

Editor:

Proposition 98’s defeat underscores the fact that Californians will not be fooled again. A majority see rent control as a good thing for everyone. Enhancing the Rousseauistic “common good.” They see that rent control jurisdiction landlords are not forced to be the rental housing business, that they are assured a fair return on their investment under the Berkenfeld case, and most importantly, that the general good is served by rent control.

It tends to promote stable neighborhoods, where neighbors likely know each others’ names – a vanishing element in modern city life. Rent control can help create more economically diverse classrooms, where children from different socio-economic backgrounds may spend years, K-12, attending classes together.

I would not be surprised to find that rent control has also been shown to have a dramatic effect on reducing crime. Because people tend to stay in the same place for a long period of time under rent control, perhaps crime is deterred because criminals who might otherwise come into buildings without causing suspicion know they might get caught in Santa Monica. Hence, rent control can be said to help create safer neighborhoods.

These are just a few of the tradeoffs when a city regulates local residential apartment business, and mobile-home park, profit potential.

Profits from utility companies are regulated, profits of cable and phone companies are regulated, hospitals are regulated, crops are subsidized, in all of these things, profit is limited under a concern for the common good.

Yet many people, shareholders, officers and directors of large public corporations, and trust fund babies – many of whom have only fractional interests in businesses and trusts that operate in the residential housing and mobile home businesses – sound a specious cacophony of infringed constitutional rights, constitutional rights that were in fact never intended for artificial entities such as corporations, LLC’s, and family trusts.

Rent control serves the very rights that this country was created upon, the inherent dignity of each of us, as individuals, and not as subjects to a higher breed. Individual liberty, not unlimited exploitation of property at the expense of a stable life for tenants, is the founding principle of this once great nation. Individual liberty and rent control serve the same purpose, the reaffirmation of individual dignity.

We are, as a nation, I believe, suffering the effects of unbridled greed that has outpaced good sense and social responsibility. I am excited that the trend may be reversing, the tide shifting.

The youth get it. Thank you California for the defeat of 98. And best of luck to you, Mr. Obama. I have been in public office for the last eight years, termed out like Mr. Bush.

He and I have served at the same time, at hugely different levels, and to very different purposes. Its been a long and strange trip indeed.

I hope I have left a better legacy than he has, but that’s not saying much, is it.

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Doing the Texas two-step

Editor:

The GOP sees the gas crisis and offshore drilling as the road to victory in the ‘08 election. Isn’t that the icing on the cake: Bush and his Republican allies and corporate oil cronies create the gas crisis and then turn it back on Americans to gain political advantage. The Texas two-step.

Is the push for offshore drilling and its inherent deception any different than the hurry-up rush to war and will Americans once again play the victim for White House “dirty tricks”?

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Going Postal

Steve “the Mailman” Breen

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George Carlin was truly a class clown

“[People] want to control your language ... [to] control your mind and control your thoughts. And they’re not alone ... political groups, special interest, anti-bias groups will always suggest the correct political vocabulary that you ought to be saying”
 – George Carlin, in concert circa 1993

I HAD TO HIDE MY COPY OF GEORGE Carlin’s “Class Clown” from my uber-Catholic mom when it came out in 1972. Having been raised in a conservative Democrat household behind the “Orange Curtain” in the ‘60s and ‘70s, the mere possession of such contraband would have reasonably garnered more chores in the scullery, and probably a novena of Masses thrown in as well.

Carlin has and always will remain one of my heroes. I’ll miss seeing him at Starbucks on Main Street where he’d pick up his coffee as I was delivering the mail to Gov. Schwarzenegger’s office. What you got from a conversation with him was like one of his routines. He was funny, sometimes irascible, a little goofy yet deliciously incisive and “game on.”

The planet became a poorer place upon the news of his passing.

As, arguably, the greatest social commentator from the counter-culture movement, Carlin trafficked heavily in illuminating the hypocrisy of all Pharisees. Carlin’s greatest gift, however, was his unabashed soliloquies on the First Amendment.

His books and interviews yet, above all, his stand-up routines were the tour de force of informing you, that in no uncertain terms, should any person or institution censor your speech or your ideas in subservience to their own snotty self importance. He usually had seven or more very choice dirty words to re-enforce his voluminous vitriol on the subject.

In late May 2008, a young man, Jim Picco, wrote me a very nice letter. While many of my detractors get their diapers in a yank when I’m making hagiographic hamburger out of one of their sacred socio-political cows, at least one smart Democrat got the joke.

Dear Mr. Breen:

I get the feeling I don’t agree with you on most political issues, but I do like your writing style. I don’t mind seeing my fellow Democrats getting skewered. Does that mean I’ve moved past partisanship?

What about you? Do you ever get tired of the partisanship in our national discourse? I’m so sick of it.

Very truly yours,
 Jim [last name withheld by request]

Jim, I gotta tell ya, I’m sick of it too! I’m sick of bumper stickers that mince, “Spay and Neuter All Republicans”. Jim Crow era Democrats also recommended the same “procedure” for colored men; I qualify in both categories.

Democrats have weird notion of jocularity. It’s a relief, though, that the high gas

prices keep the cross burnings to a minimum. And it’s telling that even you too, Jim, have to remain in the shadows for your apostasy, real or imagined by the Party of Tolerance, out of real concerns for reprisals.

A less steely conservative than myself might feel a bit like a monstrous Frankenstein-conservative being chased down by the angry villagers in their Prius hoping that he won’t be caught and have his “bolts” cut off.

IN THIS COUNTRY, JIM, PARTISAN BLASPHEMY IS NOT A CRIME ... EXCEPT IN SANTA MONICA. IT’S A KINDLER, GENTLER FORM OF POLITICAL APARTHEID, I GUESS.

Jim, I’m sick of listening to horror stories of a conservative’s property being destroyed or their personal safety being threatened by the “Party of Tolerance” due to the simple association of identity with the GOP.

When was the last time you heard of a conservative “north of Montana” patrician beating the chicken soup out of some unwashed hippie from Green Peace?

I’m sick of hearing my friend’s fear for his Hollywood writing job because, if his Femi-Nazi “Heil Hillary” studio boss gets wind of his politically elephantine affection, he knows he’ll be on the next train out to the labor camps of the unemployment line.

In this country, Jim, partisan blasphemy is not a crime ... except in Santa Monica. It’s a kinder, gentler form of political apartheid, I guess.

What is so curiously satisfying to me is observing that most of the venom spat from the local liberal fascies in my general environs has been about my writing style yet these self-appointed Lictors of liberalism have yet to challenge any of the facts presented.

And as politically unconcerned as Carlin frequently professed, I’m sure that it is not beyond reason that he would consider the term “liberal thinking” an oxymoron. He’s probably laughing with me right now, and calling me a jerk. It’s a term of affection amongst class clowns.

Wassa matter? Can’t take a joke?

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Word in Edgewise

Kenny Mack

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Getting out of the groove, Madonna?

I WAS BORN IN THE '70S, SO I GREW UP watching music videos on MTV, not "reality shows." Way back in the '80s, there was nothing cooler than music videos. These days, the network is known more for creating reality TV stars than rock stars. It's gotten so bad that I can spot every girl on "The Hills" from a block away, but wouldn't recognize The Killers if every member of the band walked up to me and slapped me across the face. In my defense, L.C., Whitney, Lauren, Audrina, and Heidi are all attractive girls who are treated like genuine celebrities with talent, even though their main gig is starring on a reality show that isn't even real.

The woman we have to thank for this sad state of affairs at MTV, Madonna, was in the news last week because she wants a divorce from her husband of eight years, film director Guy Ritchie. Unfortunately for her, she forgot to get a prenuptial agreement before they got married. Now her soon-to-be ex-husband is entitled to half of her fortune and I, for one, can't resist laughing at the delicious irony of this woman potentially losing \$100 million in a divorce settlement. This is the woman who taught the girls of my generation that sex sells, they don't have to feel ashamed of using sex to sell themselves, and if you're sexy enough, you don't even have to be able to sing to make it as a pop singer. Especially if your first big album, "Like a Virgin" is in stores at the same time you're naked in Penthouse and Playboy.

Madonna got ahead in late 1970s New York City by utilizing her three biggest assets: Her left boob, her right boob, and her willingness to show them to anyone who could advance her career. Make no mistake, had it not been for her numerous nude photo sessions, we never would have heard of this woman after about 1985. Instead, she went on to become MTV's first reality TV star as everything she did was fully documented on the network as it focused less on musicality and more on personality. First there was a high-profile marriage to Sean Penn, a failed attempt at an acting career, a divorce once it was clear the marriage wasn't going to work out, then her re-invention as someone else. The funny thing about this woman is that she always seems to re-invent herself as a new and different kind of slut, but to me the song remains the same.

That was until about 1999 when she decided she wanted to become British — Lady Madge of Wiltshire, wife of film director Ritchie and a proper Englishwoman. They got married and had a son named Rocco, though not necessarily in that order, then waited around for "happily ever after" to arrive. Shockingly, it never came. So there she was three years later, on stage at the Video Music Awards again. This time, she was sucking face with not one, but two former members of the Mickey Mouse Club. Some people thought it was hot. I didn't. For obvious reasons, I'd watch my Britney kiss Christina Aguilera all day long. But add a woman old enough to be their mom to the mix and I throw up in my mouth a little bit.

Last year, Madonna signed a new contract that will pay her \$120 million to keep recording and touring for another 10 years, pushing her net worth into the neighborhood of \$600 million. The problem now seems to be that she's outgrown her "British phase" and wants to move back to New York with Lourdes, David from Malawi, and Rocco; leaving Ritchie back in England. Guy, of course, isn't going to just roll over and take it, so their lawyers will have to work it out. Unlike Madonna, however, Ritchie actually is English, so he understands public opinion in Great Britain much better than she does. He's acting like a man trying his hardest to make his marriage work. He's taken a trip to New York to be with her, he's fighting for his family, and he wants his son to grow up "as an Englishman." If the divorce happens, it will be clear who wanted out. It will be the person worth over \$500 million, and she'll probably have to give up custody of their son and about \$100 million to get the freedom she's looking for.

She once sang, "Boys may come and boys may go and that's alright, you see. Experience has made me rich and now they're after me." I wonder if the "Material Girl" will still be singing when she has to pay Ritchie off to the tune of nine figures?

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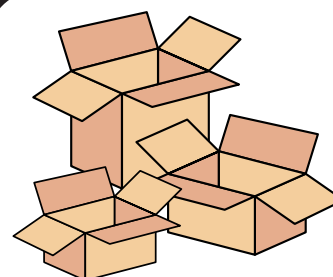
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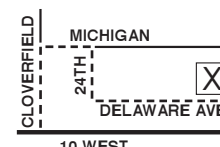
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Sick and tired

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Fires leave valley with polluted air

California's raging wildfires are creating a smoky haze so stifling that doctors in the state's landlocked farm country say their waiting rooms are crowding with patients struggling to breathe amid the soot-laden air. Respiratory therapist Kevin Hamilton said his health center's waiting rooms in Fresno are full of people with sore throats, itchy eyes and sniffles. Even without the blazes, the farming towns and subdivisions dotting the San Joaquin Valley are typically shrouded in a layer of smog during the summer. But airborne ash from the hundreds of lightning-sparked fires are causing a spike in air pollution.

The tiny particles of soot which are blamed for causing asthma and other respiratory problems. Once they reach the valley, they're sealed in under a layer of warm air created by hot summer temperatures.

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LOS ANGELES

LAX Hilton sues to block special wage law

The Hilton Hotel at Los Angeles International Airport has filed a lawsuit challenging the legality of a city ordinance that would impose a new minimum wage for hotel workers. The so-called "living wage" ordinance would give workers at the Hilton and several other airport-area hotels a minimum wage of \$10 an hour with benefits or \$11.25 without benefits. State law currently requires a minimum amount of \$8 an hour.

The ordinance is due to take effect Saturday. But Hilton, in its injunction-seeking lawsuit, argues the city is attempting to improperly regulate the market and is violating state rules. In a statement, the Hilton's general manager, Grant Coonley, says, "The city of Los Angeles does not have the right to impose a wage law that only affects a dozen hotels on one street that have no financial or contractual relationship with the city." AP

SAN FRANCISCO

Trial begins for disgraced politician's fundraiser

A trial is set to begin for a former San Francisco fundraiser accused of funneling \$125,000 in state money to the political campaign of former Secretary of State Kevin Shelley. Shelley left office in disgrace three years ago after the allegations came up. Julie Lee was charged in 2005 with four counts of mail fraud and three counts of attempted witness tampering. Those charges carry maximum prison terms of 10 to 20 years each. The criminal trial also may provide a glimpse into the inner workings of San Francisco politics. Lee was a prodigious political fundraiser and became a City Hall insider. Willie Brown, a former Assembly speaker and San Francisco mayor, is expected to be called as a witness. AP

IRWINDALE

Four cars of freight train derail

Four cars of a freight train derailed today in an industrial area in Irwindale. A food-additive chemical leaked but no injuries were reported, and officials say there was no public health threat. Authorities say the cars slipped off the rails at about 3:50 a.m. in eastern Los Angeles County. A Union Pacific spokeswoman says a crew made a track-switching mistake while moving cars. She says they didn't follow instructions on how to move rail cars. One car leaked contents and a county fire hazardous materials team was sent, but the substance turned out to be propylene glycol. The nontoxic chemical is used in foods, cosmetics, toothpaste and other products. Nobody was hurt and there were no evacuations. AP

VENTURA

Bear cub briefly visits neighborhood

A bear cub wandered into a Ventura neighborhood, climbed a tree and took a dip in a hot tub before running back into the mountain wilderness. Residents called police at about 2 a.m. Monday to report the young black bear roaming around Hemlock and Santa Clara streets. Officers followed the approximately 100-pound animal until it climbed a tree in front of a house. Resident Stephen Schafer says he looked outside at about 3 a.m. and thought "there is a really big poodle in my backyard." He then realized, "Hey, that's not a poodle." Department of Fish and Game officers say the cub wandered into a backyard hot tub after leaving the tree. The cub then got out of the tub, hopped a fence and made its way into the backcountry north of the city. AP

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Ranchers forced to sell herds because of drought

Drought-ravaged pastureland is forcing Central California ranchers to sell cattle and sheep herds. A U.S. Department of Agriculture report says conditions on California rangelands are the worst in the nation. About 97 percent of the state's pastures are in poor or very poor condition. It's forcing ranches to buy expensive feed for their herds, move them elsewhere or, in some cases, sell entire herds. Similar conditions last year forced stockmen to sell off their herds. Cambria rancher Joy Fitzhugh says her family was forced to sell their calves a month early and reduce the herd by 15 percent because of drought conditions. AP

LOS ANGELES

Not-guilty pleas entered in gang racketeering case

Thirty alleged members and associates of a northeast Los Angeles gang have pleaded not guilty to federal racketeering and drug-related offenses. The defendants, including seven women, were split into groups of five as they entered their pleas Tuesday. All were wearing jail uniforms and none spoke other than to answer procedural questions. U.S. Magistrate Judge Paul Abrams set a trial date of Aug. 19. Several defendants waved to friends and family members as they were led out of the packed courtroom. AP

SACRAMENTO

Lawsuit over fatal helicopter crash settled

A French company that makes helicopter engines has settled a civil lawsuit three years after the fatal crash of a Sacramento County Sheriff's Department chopper. Turbomeca reached a confidential settlement with the surviving deputy and the families of two deputies who were killed in the July 13, 2005, accident. Joseph Kievernagel, 36, and Kevin Blount, 29, were killed, and Deputy Eric Henrikson, 28, was severely injured when their helicopter crashed into a hill near Lake Natoma east of Sacramento. AP

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Learning the lingo

IT SEEMS EVERYWHERE YOU TURN THERE is another gloom and doom real estate story in the media. If you are in financial trouble and possibly on the brink of losing your home, it is important to have an understanding of real estate terminology. Below are real estate terms and explanations to give you a little help while you're dealing with a tough situation.

DEFAULT

Just as it sounds, defaulting on a home loan is a failure to make a loan payment. When you pass the grace period and have not made a payment, you are in default of the loan. A loan with no payment 30 days after the due date is usually in default. Although most home loans are similar, every promissory note spells out how a borrower is in default of a loan. Unfortunately, many lenders will not talk to borrowers about short sales or loan modifications until a loan has been in default for two or more months.

DELINQUENCY

Just like a credit card payment, when you fail to make a home loan payment by the due date, the loan is delinquent. Lenders will report a delinquent payment to the credit bureaus. The difference between a default and delinquency is time. If a payment is made within 30 days of the due date, but after the grace period it is delinquent. Obviously all home loans are different, but any lack of payment after 30 days from the due date is in default.

FORECLOSURE

Possibly the scariest word to any homeowner a foreclosure is caused by a lack of loan payments putting a loan in default. A foreclosure is the process by which the note holder (usually the lender), takes control of the collateral (usually the house), and forces

a sale at public auction. Depending on the state you live in, the foreclosure process can begin 30 days after you default on a loan or up to a year later.

SHORT SALE

In real estate terms, it is when a real estate asset, such as a home, is sold for less than the mortgage owed. For example, Joe sells his home for \$800,000 when he owes the bank \$1,000,000. Some lenders are willing to do short sales to avoid the foreclosure process since it can be more cost effective. However, not all lenders are willing to do short sales and many lenders will not discuss the option until a borrower is in default of a loan.

INTEREST RATE ADJUSTMENT

Possibly the three words that will epitomize the subprime debacle are interest rate adjustment, which is when an interest rate adjusts. An interest rate is made up of two components: A margin, which is set by the bank, and an index. The index is usually tied to a common index such as the 12-month Treasury average of the one-year Treasury bill or 12 MTA. Many subprime loans were fixed for two years at low rates but adjusted to higher levels after the fixed term. Many borrowers are experiencing that adjustment today, which has caused many payments to skyrocket — sometimes doubling.

If you are in trouble or realize you are about to be in trouble with your loan, talk to your lender to see if they can help you. Sometimes lenders will not talk to borrowers until they are in default, but try to avoid that since a delinquent loan payment will negatively impact your credit.

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ECONOMY

Bush calls housing deal possible

BY BEN FELLER
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NORTH LITTLE ROCK, Ark. President Bush expressed confidence Tuesday he will reach a deal with Congress on a housing-rescue plan, but only if lawmakers show "less politics."

The president's comments came as many homeowners are saddled with mortgage payments they can't afford and face foreclosure. The Senate is considering a \$300 billion plan to back cheaper loans for people who risk losing their home, but that measure has stalled for now.

"I think we can get us a bill," Bush said. "But it's going to require less politics and more focus on keeping our minds on who we need to help, and that's the homeowner."

He spoke at a credit-counseling agency in Arkansas that helps people saddled with debt. In this election year, lawmakers of both parties — and a president with shrinking time to score any domestic victories — want to deliver some relief to struggling families.

Senate leaders hope to get back to the bill after their weeklong break; it has been snagged over an unrelated dispute about tax

breaks for renewable energy.

The legislation includes elements Bush supports, including an overhaul of the Federal Housing Administration. But the White House opposes parts of the rescue plan, too.

Bush also sounded an upbeat tone about the slumping economy.

"I'm confident in the long run, America is going to be just fine," he said.

The House has already passed a housing plan, so differences with the proposed Senate version would have to be reconciled before a bill could get to Bush. Lawmakers have been negotiating behind the scenes with the Bush administration to avert a veto.

The economy has been battered by housing, credit and financial problems. Consumers responded in the first quarter by spending at the weakest pace since the 2001 recession.

The combination of weak housing sales, falling home values, tighter lending and the weak economy has forced many strapped homeowners into foreclosure. Many can't find buyers, or they owe more than their home is worth and can't get refinanced into an affordable loan.

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ECONOMY

Gas prices change views on energy

BY H. JOSEF HEBERT
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON High gasoline prices have dramatically changed Americans' views on energy and the environment with more people now viewing oil drilling and new power plants as a greater priority than energy conservation than they did five months ago, according to a new survey.

The poll released Tuesday by the Pew Research Center shows nearly half of those surveyed — or 47 percent — now rate energy exploration, drilling and building new power plants as the top priority, compared with 35 percent who believed that five months ago.

The Pew poll, conducted in late June, showed the number of people who consider energy conservation as more important declined by 10 percentage points since February from a clear majority to 45 percent. People are now about evenly split on which is more important.

The number of people who said they considered increasing energy supplies more important than protecting the environment increased from 54 percent in February to 60 percent and the number of people who favor oil drilling in Alaska's Arctic National Wildlife Refuge also increased.

"This shows the real impact of higher gas prices on the public," said Carroll Doherty, associate director for the Pew Research Center for the People & the Press, which commissioned the telephone survey of 2,004 adults from June 18 to June 29. The margin of error

was plus or minus 2.5 percentage points, slightly larger for subgroups.

Since February, gasoline prices have soared from just over \$3 to a national average of \$4.08 a gallon, according to the Energy Department.

The shift toward embracing more energy production was seen across different age and political groups, reflecting a change in attitudes among Democrats, independents, women, and young people — all groups that in the past have generally championed conservation over energy development.

The survey comes as Congress is in the midst of a bitter debate over how to respond to the country's energy problems and as the two major presidential candidates also are sharply divided on energy priorities.

GOP candidate John McCain has called for building more nuclear power plants and ending a blanket moratorium on drilling in 85 percent of the country's coastal waters. His rival, Democrat Barack Obama, has emphasized incentives for conservation and development of alternative energy sources and opposes expanded offshore drilling.

Likewise, Democrats have been pushing for more conservation and energy alternatives in Congress and argued the country cannot drill its way out of its energy problems. Congressional Republicans argue the answer is more domestic energy production, including on federal lands and waters off limits because of environmental concerns.

The Pew poll, however, showed Republicans and Democrats moving closer

together on the production vs. conservation dispute. The number of Democrats who said they saw increased production as the top priority jumped by 16 percentage points since February to 46 percent. Republicans holding that view declined from about half to 43 percent.

With the exception of the Arctic refuge, the poll did not address any specific energy proposals such as whether to lift drilling moratoria in some ocean waters, the pros and cons of nuclear energy, or the environmental impacts of coal burning power plants on global warming.

It sought to address general energy priorities, said Doherty.

Among the survey's most astounding findings is the dramatic increase in a span of five months in the support for energy exploration and production among groups that have traditionally championed conservation as being the answer to the country's energy problems.

For example, the percentage of liberals who said expanding energy exploration was their most important priority doubled from 22 percent in February to 45 percent; increased by 19 points to 50 percent among independents; and by 18 points to 46 percent among women.

Young people, who in the past have overwhelmingly leaned toward conservation, saw the most dramatic shift. Just over half of the people from 18 to 29 years of age saw expanding energy exploration more important, double the number in February.

ECONOMY

Manufacturers struggle to deal with rising prices

BY ELLEN SIMON
AP Business Writer

NEW YORK Each week, Ira Cooper opens a letter from another supplier with the same message as the last: We're raising our prices, effective immediately. We can't tell you how long the new prices will last.

"We used to get quotes good for six months," said Cooper, president of QED Inc., a lighting company based in Lexington, Ky. "Now you're lucky if you can get a quote good for 15 days."

Manufacturers of everything from wallpaper to cereal are feeling the same hit. The Institute for Supply Management said Tuesday that its index of prices manufacturers pay for raw materials hit 91.5 in June, up from 87 in May and the highest reading since 1979.

Its overall index of manufacturing activity was 50.2, barely breaking a four month contraction streak. Any reading above 50 signals growth.

Manufacturers are "experiencing higher prices for their inputs while demand for their products is slowing," Norbert J. Ore, chairman of ISM's manufacturing business survey committee, said in a statement accompanying the report.

Some of the price increases are a game of catch-up.

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Market Matters

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Plan carefully when hitting a big jackpot

PICTURE THIS: YOU'VE JUST WON THE lottery or received a large inheritance. You start daydreaming about all the wonderful things you'll buy and all the vacations you'll take. Money will no longer be a worry. Unfortunately, it may not be quite that simple. If you don't properly plan on how to receive your windfall and invest it wisely, you could find yourself not on Easy Street, but on the road to financial disaster.

If you suddenly find yourself rich overnight, here is some advice you may want to consider before buying that new sports car and quitting your job.

TAKE LOTTERY WINNINGS IN A LUMP-SUM

If you're disciplined enough not to spend the money all at once, you may want to consider taking all the money at once. Typically, receiving a lump-sum will give you more money over your life expectancy than if you take the money in payments over the years. For example, if you receive \$1 million and pay half of that in taxes, you'll end up with \$500,000 to invest. At a 10 percent rate of return, your winnings would have the opportunity to grow to more than \$3.3 million in 20 years. By comparison, if you choose to receive the \$1 million windfall in 20 annual installments of \$50,000 and invest each year at 10 percent, you would end up with approximately \$2.8 million — a difference of more than \$500,000. The more money you can get invested right away, the better off you could be.

CHOOSE THE INSTALLMENT OPTION IF YOU'RE A SPENDTHRIFT

If a bank account with a lot of money in it is too tempting for you to handle, take your fortune over a period of several years. You may not have this option with every type of windfall, but if you happen to win

the lottery, the lottery sponsor may invest your winnings for you. You may be getting a better rate of return by taking the money in one lump-sum, but that's no use if you end up spending all of it without planning.

KEEP INCOME TAXES IN MIND

Most likely, about half of what you win or inherit will go to pay federal and state income taxes. And remember, a multi-million dollar payout will put you in the highest federal tax bracket at 35 percent. Add state income taxes to that, and you're may be up for losing half of your money to taxes. In cases where winning lottery tickets are purchased outside your home state, it's possible that you would be taxed in your home state and the state where you purchased the ticket. Careful tax planning can help you keep as much of the money as possible.

WHAT HAPPENS WHEN YOU DIE?

If you're married, the money typically may be transferred to your spouse free from any estate taxes. However, if the amount totals more than \$2 million this year (\$3.5 million in 2009) and your spouse is also deceased, your heirs will have to turn over as much as 45 percent of that money to the federal government in the form of estate taxes.

As you can see, without careful planning, a financial bonanza could become a nightmare. A financial advisor can help you make sure to take the appropriate steps to help you manage the windfall more effectively. Wachovia Securities does not give tax or legal advice. Specific questions on taxes as they relate to your individual situation should be directed to your tax advisor.

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BUSINESS

Starbucks closing 600 stores

BY JESSICA MINTZ
AP Business Writer

SEATTLE Starbucks Corp. said Tuesday it will close 600 company-operated stores in the next year, up dramatically from its previous plan for 100 closures, a sign the coffee shop operator is still feeling the pain from the faltering U.S. economy.

Starbucks said in a statement that 70 percent of the stores to be closed were opened after the start of 2006. The locations set to close include ones that "were not profitable and not projected to provide acceptable returns in the foreseeable future," it said.

About 12,000 workers will be affected by the closings, which are expected to take place over the next year, according to Valerie O'Neill, a spokeswoman for the company.

O'Neill said most of the employees will be moved to nearby stores, but she did not know exactly how many jobs will be lost.

The company predicted related charges will add up to \$328 million to \$348 million,

but said that after income tax benefits and other changes, it expects to pay about \$100 million.

Starbucks also cut the number of company-operated stores it will open in fiscal 2009 in half, to fewer than 200. The company did not adjust its plan to open fewer than 400 stores in 2010 and 2011.

In May, Starbucks said its second-quarter profit sank 28 percent as U.S. consumers cut back on visits in light of rising food and gas prices.

As of the end in March, there were 16,226 Starbucks stores around the world, including 7,257 company-operated stores in the U.S.

Shares of Seattle-based Starbucks jumped \$1.02, or 6.5 percent, to \$16.64 in after-hours trading after losing 12 cents to close at \$15.62.

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MOVING VIOLATION

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While a new ban on using hand-held cell phones went into effect Tuesday, it seems some drivers aren't paying attention. Here a woman driving east on Pico Boulevard rolls past a Santa Monica Police Department squad car while using her cell phone in plain sight.

Suspect faces 20 years in prison

FROM BUST PAGE 1

cocaine for export back to Canada," said Robert Schoch, special agent in charge of the ICE office of investigations in Los Angeles.

"These substances not only pose a significant public safety risk, they also generate huge profits that are often funneled back into other types of illegal activity," Schoch said. "That is why ICE determined to attack and dismantle these kinds of criminal schemes."

Sabau was arrested near his Newport Beach apartment after he arrived for a roadside meeting with an informant to finalize a deal to trade approximately 100,000 Ecstasy tablets for 25 kilograms of cocaine, authori-

ties said. When Sabau flashed the drugs, officers moved in for the arrest.

The pills, which typically retail for \$20 a tablet, would have brought as much as \$2 million on the street.

Following the arrest agents searched Sabau's residence and discovered a small amount of cocaine and approximately \$14,000 in cash.

Sabau is being held without bail until a July 8 hearing. His arraignment is set for July 21.

If convicted, Sabau faces a maximum penalty of up to 20 years in prison. Authorities said the investigation into the drug trafficking scheme is still ongoing.

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Man was wanted in Tucson

FROM ARREST PAGE 1

was wanted for murder and sexual assault in Arizona.

Nitzke was wanted in Pima County for the death of Dorothy Carras, 81, an elderly woman who was murdered and sexually assaulted inside her home May 23. Pima Police said Carras was suffocated. DNA collected at the scene led homicide detectives to issue a warrant for Nitzke's arrest.

Pima County detectives flew to Santa Monica early Tuesday morning to make contact with the suspect and make arraignments

for extradition to Arizona.

SMPD Sgt. Renaldi Thruston said Nitzke would be sent to Los Angeles County Jail before being extradited to Tucson where he will be arraigned for the crimes.

Carras volunteered for Habitat for Humanity and a local food pantry, where she worked as a nurse and caregiver to the sick and elderly.

She also served as a docent at a local park, according to the Arizona Daily Star.

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Study shows that court decision could boost economy

FROM MARRIAGE PAGE 1

see a summer spike.

A new study by the Williams Institute at UCLA School of Law says that direct spending by same-sex couples will add \$684 million to the state's wedding industry and \$64 million to the state budget over the next three years, and create as many as 2,200 additional jobs.

The study estimates that over the next three years, gay weddings will also generate \$9 million in marriage-license fees for counties. It also noted that the majority of gays also represent the most sought-after consumer demographic — “DINKS” or “dual income no kids.”

Loyola Marymount University assistant professor of Economics Jennifer Offenberg believes that gay marriage will have a “very positive effect” on the economy.

“There has been a back-log of people waiting to be married, which accounts for the sudden flux,” she explained. “It’s a good spike in the economy that is actually sustainable for a long period of time. There will be a greater number of events, causing a ‘wedding trickle-down’ of locations, catering, music and hotels.”

Local Santa Monica businesses agree, and while some have already felt the impact of the Supreme Court decision, others are still looking for a way to tap into the new gay marriage market.

Leonora Di Mauro, the president of the Santa Monica-based company Italy in Style, which helps same-sex couples plan weddings in Tuscany and Milan, has had calls come pouring in. Though the company has catered to European gay couples for years, this is the first time that they’ve worked with U.S. clients.

Because gay marriage is illegal in Italy, the organization’s services include a symbolic ceremony, often using an actor to play a priest. Now, for the first time, this will be matched with a legally binding ceremony back in California.

“We’ve started getting calls. We’ve started getting requests. And I’ve personally talked to colleagues [in the wedding business] who’ve seen an incredible increase in requests,” Di Mauro said. “For me, it’s a way of opening up to the market. Before, Italy was not really seen as a destination for gays, since it’s still considered conservative. But we have several venues and suppliers that are gay-owned or gay-friendly.”

Some Santa Monica businesses, such as online wedding planning site Viddia, have had to make adjustments to better serve the gay community.

“When we first built the site, you could only register as a man with a woman,” explained Viddia president Michael Ripberger. “Just last week we modified our site to register same sex marriages, groom with groom or bride with bride.”

The decision, said Ripberger, was a difficult one.

“We had to think twice about it because we’re a national business. We have users and vendors throughout the country, and I know from dealing with them on a day to day basis that their religious views are very conservative,” Ripberger said. “They’re into the whole sanctity of marriage thing. We were hesitant to alienate any customers, who might think we’d turned our Web site into a Sodom and Gomorrah free-for-all, but we decided it would be a worthwhile market and something that needs to be done.”

Ripberger’s future plans include pushing for formal marketing campaigns in the gay



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SEWING UP BUSINESS: Dress designers like Santa Monica-based Hanna Hartnell may see a boost in business thanks to same-sex weddings.



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community. He feels that gay marriage will have “an immediate impact” on the Santa Monica economy.

In her own effort to get into the same-sex marriage business, The Rev. Janet Gollery McKeithen sent out a press release announcing that the Church in Ocean Park in Santa Monica, California is offering wedding services to any couple wishing to marry. McKeithen, a United Methodist Minister who will face discipline from her church for performing the ceremonies, will hold a group wedding service for gay couples on July 6.

“It’s a moral, ethical and religious issue for me,” she said. “We shouldn’t be treating people differently.”

Not only private businesses, but the city of Los Angeles itself, rated as one of the top 10 gay destinations in the United States by the Travel Industry Association, has been

marketing itself to gay couples contemplating marriage.

The Los Angeles tourist Web site now proudly declares: “With all its sights and attractions — and a heritage of tolerance — gay-friendly Los Angeles will soon be the perfect gay and lesbian wedding destination.”

Many Santa Monica businesses, however, are as of yet unaffected by the decision, and report no increase in wedding orders.

Jolene Reynolds of Delarobbia Flower Mart speculates that that wedding businesses will see more action toward the end of the summer.

“People are just running off to the courthouse right now and doing the justice of the peace thing,” she said. “Later we’ll have more big ceremonies.”

UCLA law student Lisa Concoff Kronbeck had a symbolic wedding ceremo-

ny on June 24 last year, and was able to have another, legal ceremony for her one year anniversary on this past June 24. She speculates that those running to the courthouse for a civil ceremony have, like her, already had wedding ceremonies and are now simple “making it official.”

“The real money will start coming in after the rush of people who’ve been waiting 10, 15, 20 years to get married,” she said. “Then you’ll see people planning weddings.”

She also noticed a shift in the business sector, with more and more catering to the gay market.

“I’ve seen a lot of [gay-friendly] advertising lately,” she said. “People are really jumping on the train. And I have the feeling that [same-sex couples] will go for businesses that are advertising specifically for gay couples. It’s a huge industry.”

Some areas, however, have yet to catch on.

“When we told the flower shop we had two brides, she thought it was a double wedding,” laughed Concoff. “Certain areas haven’t gotten used to people being out and not hiding.”

The UCLA study estimates that half of California’s 102,639 same-sex couples will marry over the next three years and another 68,000 will come from out-of-state. Whether or not the Westside accepts these marriages as moral or sanctified, the business possibilities of these thousands of weddings will be impossible to ignore.

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Salmonella probe adds fresh foods served with tomatoes

BY LAURAN NEERGAARD

AP Medical Writer

WASHINGTON Adding to tomato confusion, the government is about to start testing numerous other types of fresh produce in the hunt for the source of the nation's record salmonella outbreak — even as it insists tomatoes remain the leading suspect.

Investigators are mum on exactly what other vegetables are getting tracked.

Items commonly served with fresh tomatoes is the only hint Food and Drug Administration food safety chief Dr. David Acheson would give, calling it “irresponsible” to point a finger until he has more evidence that some other food really deserves the extra scrutiny.

“Tomatoes aren’t off the hook,” he stressed. “It’s just that there is clearly a need to think beyond tomatoes.”

Still, Acheson widened FDA’s probe on Tuesday, activating an emergency network of food laboratories around the country in anticipation of lots of additional samples to test.

The reason is that the outbreak continues, with 869 people now confirmed having taken ill. Most troublesome, at least 179 of them fell ill in June, the latest on June 20. That is more than two months after the first salmonella illnesses appeared, meaning the outbreak is continuing weeks longer than food-poisoning specialists had expected — and suggesting the culprit is still on the market.

Over the weekend, disease detectives with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention began interviewing people sickened in June to find out what they ate and to compare their diets with those of healthy relatives and neighbors.

Officials haven’t reveal early findings, except to say they supported the investigation’s new move.



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Among the possibilities FDA is exploring is whether tomatoes and other produce are sharing a common packing or shipping site where both might become contaminated, or whether multiple foods might be tainted while being grown on adjoining farms or with common water sources.

Pressure is increasing on the FDA to solve the case, with the tomato industry suffering millions of dollars in losses and pushing for Congress to investigate how the agency handled the outbreak.

But Acheson said Tuesday that there’s a growing misconception in the public that if tomatoes really were to blame, the outbreak would only have lasted six weeks.

That’s just not true, he said, pointing to farms that rotate harvests so as to keep producing tomatoes for months.

Tomatoes first became a suspect because of what are called “case-control” studies rapidly conducted in New Mexico and Texas, the outbreak’s center, CDC food-poisoning specialist Dr. Robert Tauxe said.

Those kinds of studies compare the sick to people who are otherwise similar — in income, lifestyle, where they live — but healthy. In those initial studies, about 80 percent of the ill reported eating certain types of fresh tomatoes, far more than the healthy group did, Tauxe said. Statistically, the association was too strong to think it a coincidence.

Some food-poisoning experts say the

CDC missed a key step in not taking those studies a step further and trying to trace why some of the healthy ate tomatoes without harm.

For now, the FDA continues to urge consumers nationwide to avoid raw red plum, red Roma or red round tomatoes unless they were grown in specific states or countries that the agency has cleared of suspicion.

Check the FDA’s Web site — <http://www.fda.gov> — for an updated list. Also safe are grape tomatoes, cherry tomatoes and tomatoes sold with the vine still attached.

That advice is coming under fire too because tomatoes are sent through multiple repacking and distribution sites around the country, even to Mexico and back, regardless of where they’re grown. But Acheson said the advice would be fine-tuned only if new science emerges.

Even Health and Human Services Secretary Michael Leavitt expressed frustration Tuesday that the case isn’t solved.

“Nothing happens fast enough when you have a problem like this,” Leavitt said as he asked Congress for more funds and stronger legal powers for food and consumer safety agencies. Still, “I feel confident we will find the solution to this problem.”

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New federal student loan terms go into effect

BY JUSTIN POPE

AP Education Writer

Changes in the federal student aid program that took effect Tuesday will lessen interest rates for some students while increasing the amount they can borrow.

Among the biggest changes, the interest rate on new, subsidized Stafford loans to undergraduates drops from 6.8 percent to 6 percent. Subsidized Stafford loans are awarded to lower-income students, and the government picks up interest payments while students are still in school.

The rates are slated to continue to decline in stages over the next five years, part of congressional measures approved last year to increase student aid. Earlier this year, responding to the credit crunch, Congress also approved \$2,000-per-year increases in what students can borrow from unsubsidized Stafford loans, which students can take out regardless of income.

Meanwhile, as part of a regular annual reset, borrowers with older, variable-rate Stafford or PLUS loans that they have not yet consolidated will see their rates drop by 3 percentage points.

Mark Kantrowitz, who runs the Web site finaid.org, estimates the changes in subsidized Stafford interest rates would save the average Stafford borrower between \$2,000 and \$3,000 over the course of a 15-year repayment.

Finally, maximum federal Pell Grants — the main direct-aid program for low-income college students — officially rise to about \$4,730 per student.

The three programs — subsidized and unsubsidized Stafford loans, plus Pell Grants — provide aid to roughly the same number of students each: about 5 million.

Report: Kitchens are filthier than bathrooms

BY SEAN O'DRISCOLL

Associated Press Writer

NEW YORK If you want to eat dinner from a clean surface, you might try your bathroom.

A study being released Wednesday found that kitchen sinks have more germs than bathroom sinks. The study also found that three-quarters of American kitchen cloths and sponges are heavily contaminated with harmful bacteria, meaning proper clean-up can be difficult.

The study was sponsored by the makers of the cleaning product Lysol, but the company did not design the study. Samples were taken by independent environmental scientists in 20 homes with children in each of seven regions, including the U.K., the U.S., Germany, Africa, Saudi Arabia, Malaysia and India. Internationally, 90 percent of kitchen cloths, 46 percent of kitchen sinks, 38 percent of bathroom sinks and 14 percent of children’s toys failed the test, meaning they had a total bacteria count of more than 100,000 per square centimeter.

The bacteria included E. coli and salmonella, which were probably carried in by food, small children or pets, researchers said. They can cause diarrhea or infections with flu-like symptoms that are especially dangerous to small children, the elderly and pregnant women.

One of his most astounding findings was that bachelors had the cleanest kitchens.

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Think ahead, Aries

ARIES (March 21-April 19) ★★★★ As you discover the holiday coming up, you feel patriotic. You might opt to host the celebration rather than hop from barbecue to barbecue. Count on your unique style emerging. Tonight: Think ahead.	LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) ★★★★ You take a stronger stand than you thought possible. You want what you need, and you make it quite clear. Don't push someone too far or make demands that don't work. Listen to suggestions. Tonight: Your sixth sense pulls through for you.
TAURUS (April 20-May 20) ★★★★★ Discuss an option, realizing perhaps someone has his or her unique agenda. Though you might feel you have to jump your share of hurdles, you do it successfully. A partner might be MIA. Tonight: Visit with friends, by phone or in person.	SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) ★★★★★ Learn to back off and detach if you want or need to make a judgment. Your perspective changes because you remain open. Allow more feedback and information to head in your direction. Tonight: Take in new vistas.
GEMINI (May 21-June 20) ★★★ You keep spending and spending. Focus on necessities, not frivolities. Your seriousness might not conform with the rest of the world and how they are feeling. Go with the moment. Don't allow others to pressure you. Tonight: Enjoy every moment.	SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) ★★★★★ A partner has a strong impression or idea that needs to be followed through on. Make time for a conversation. Not everyone sees a situation the same way. Work with individuals. Tonight: Have a long-overdue discussion.
CANCER (June 21-July 22) ★★★★★ You are personality plus. Relax and follow through on what is important. You make key decisions. A wish or decision today with a touch of self-discipline can go a long way. Tonight: Zero in on what you want.	CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) ★★★★ Others let you know what they think. You want to be more independent and forthright. How you deal with someone and the choices you make together remain key to the basis of this relationship. Tonight: Sort through ALL possibilities before deciding.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) ★★★ Aim for what you want knowing full well where you are heading. You might not be able to move a key situation forward as fast as you'd like. Do some quiet thinking about what you really want. Tonight: You might have difficulty assuming control. Let go and worry less.	AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) ★★★★ Complete what you must to enter the next few days free and relaxed. You might find a partner's suggestions more distracting than realistic. Don't judge this person harshly. He or she is simply trying to help. Tonight: Relax.
VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) ★★★★★ Zero in on what counts. If you try to do something too differently, you could be set back by a problem. Evaluate with an open mind what is happening. Friends surround you. Be willing to accept their support. Tonight: Where the gang is.	PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) ★★★★★ Getting anything done could prove to be difficult, as you are already in the holiday spirit. Be willing to take off and do whatever is necessary. You'll enjoy yourself wherever you are. Tonight: Let the wild thing in you out!

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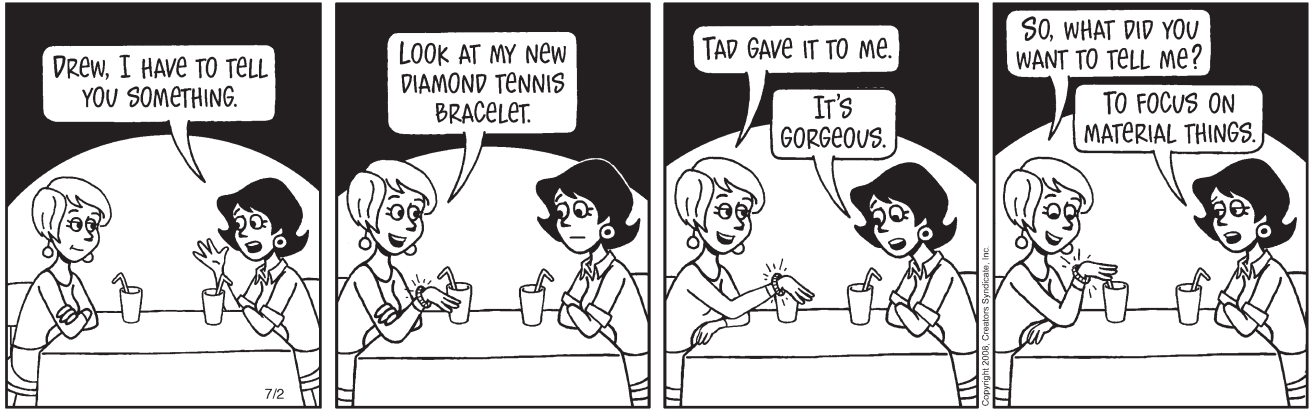
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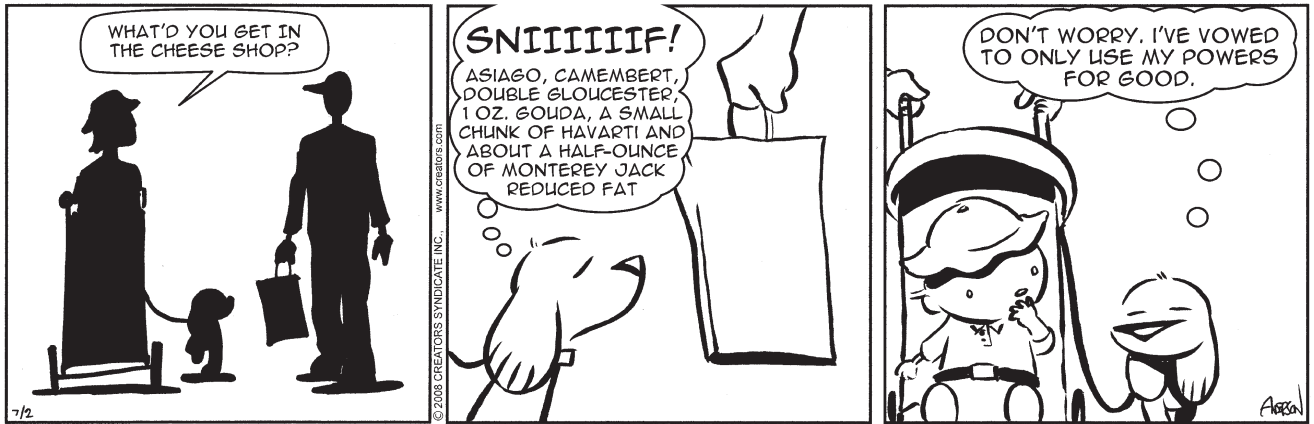
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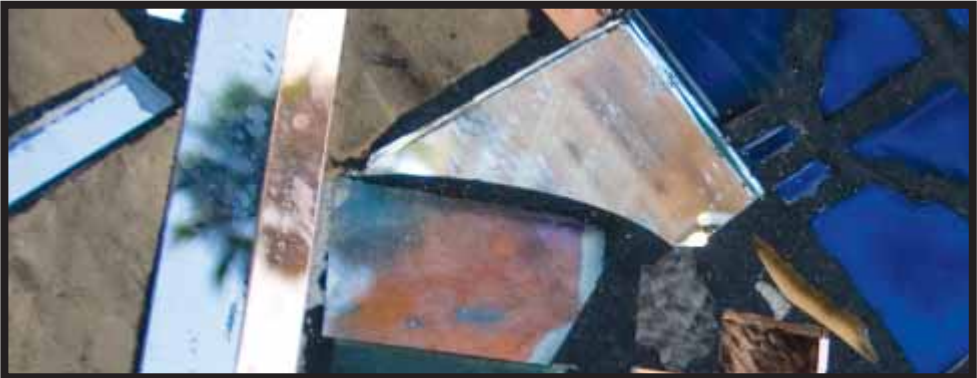


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NEWS OF THE WEIRD
BY CHUCK SHEPARD

■ Ecuadorian legislator Maria Soledad Vela proposed in April that the nation's constitution express the public-health principle that women have a right to enjoy sex and not be mere breeding machines. Opponents ridiculed Soledad Vela's "right to orgasm" that might lead to lawsuits against husbands.

■ In April, Tommy Tabermann, a member of Finland's parliament, submitted a bill to require one week's paid vacation a year solely for romance, to counteract the country's alarmingly high divorce rate.

■ In April, Mayor Gonzalo Navarrete of the impoverished town of Lo Prado, Chile, ordered public money for funding up to four Viagra tablets a month to men over age 60, to improve "quality of life."

TODAY IN HISTORY

1807 in the wake of the Chesapeake incident, in which the crew of a British frigate boarded an American ship and forcibly removed four suspected deserters, President Jefferson ordered all British ships to vacate U.S. territorial waters.

1881 President Garfield was shot by Charles J. Guiteau at the Washington railroad station; Garfield died the following September. (Guiteau was hanged in June 1882.)

1908 Supreme Court Justice Thurgood Marshall was born in Baltimore.

1926 the United States Army Air Corps was created.

1937 aviator Amelia Earhart and navigator Fred Noonan disappeared over the Pacific Ocean while attempting to make the first round-the-world flight along the equator.

1961 author Ernest Hemingway shot himself to death at his home in Ketchum, Idaho.

1964 President Johnson signed into law a sweeping civil rights bill passed by Congress.

1987 18 illegal aliens were found dead inside a locked boxcar near Sierra Blanca, Texas, in what authorities called a botched smuggling attempt; a 19th man survived.

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