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Local businessman suspected in Pico murder



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Above: BT Automotive Service was the scene of an arrest Monday night after its manager was charged with murder. Left: Police found a man shot in the stomach lying on the sidewalk in front of a buddhist community center on Pico Boulevard.

BY CAROLYN SACKARIASON

Daily Press Staff Writer

A manager of an automotive repair shop on Pico Boulevard was arrested for murder in connection to the shooting death of a man that occurred outside of the business Monday night.

Michael Ward Bell, 53, of Los Angeles, was taken to the Santa Monica Jail, minutes after he allegedly shot an unidentified man on the 2600 block of Pico Boulevard, just feet away from BT Automotive Service, which is operated by Bell.

The victim's name has not been released by the Los Angeles County Coroner's office and his

body remained at UCLA Medical Center in Westwood awaiting a transport on Tuesday evening, coroner's official said.

Santa Monica Police were called to the area at 8:24 p.m. on Monday when several residents reported shots being fired, said SMPD Lt. Frank Fabrega.

"He was a mechanic that I could trust. I liked him, he was a good guy ... I feel bad for the guy."

— RON WINKELMAN

Westside Inc. Heating & Air Conditioning owner

Police investigate drive-by shooting

By Daily Press staff

Police are investigating a drive-by shooting on Santa Monica's eastside that occurred early Sunday morning, which landed a man in the hospital with gun shot wounds.

At about 12:40 a.m., Santa Monica Police responded to the 1900 block of 20th Street where they found a 19-year-old Santa Monica resident with gunshot wounds. He was treated at the scene by Santa Monica Fire Department paramedics and transported to a local hospital with non-life threatening wounds.

Police said the victim was standing on the sidewalk when a dark, compact vehicle slowly drove by and shot him.

The incident is not related to Monday's murder.

Anyone with information should call the SMPD's robbery-homicide unit at (310) 458-8451 or (310) 458-8495.

School to address claims of biased discipline practices

BY ANDREW H. FIXMER

Daily Press Staff Writer

Santa Monica-Malibu Unified administrators announced they will formally create a task force to investigate claims its discipline policies are discriminatory.

The announcement comes days after a newly formed group, Mothers for Justice, held a demonstration attended by hundreds of parents and children at last Thursday's school board meeting.

The group's members believe their Latino and black children were unfairly targeted for suspensions and expulsions based on their race.

District officials said the parents' concerns have not fallen on deaf ears. They pledge to investigate their complaints.

"It's apparent to me that we need to review the policies that the par-

ents are upset about and then make changes where we feel they are necessary," said school board member Brenda Gottfried. "And we need to do that as soon as possible."

The school district's annual discipline report to the state showed that Hispanic and black children were suspended from its schools far more than white students.

Superintendent John Deasy said the task force will consist of no more than 20 members drawn from throughout the school district and the community. The Santa Monica Police Department will have an officer serving on the task force.

"No matter if the concerns are true or false there are always things we can do better," Deasy said. "If we are going to be for continuous improvement, I think these are

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No fireworks in Santa Monica

But plenty of other cities offer festivities

By Daily Press staff

Santa Monica doesn't have its own fireworks display, but other cities do.

The following is a list of alternative places to celebrate our nation's freedom.

■ **Marina Del Rey:** Salute to our nation's independence with the annual county-sponsored fireworks display in Burton Chace Park in Marina Del Rey. The 20-minute show

will be broadcast over FM Radio KXLU (88.9) and begins at 9 p.m. on July 4. Call (310) 305-9511 for more information.

■ **Pasadena:** Celebrate the Fourth of July with 90,000 of your closest friends at the fireworks extravaganza and the L.A. Galaxy vs. San Jose Earthquakes rematch at the Rose Bowl, located at 1001 Rose Bowl Drive, Pasadena. Kick off the day at the Soccer Fest with music, food and fun. The rematch of the MLS Cup 2001 begins at 7 p.m. and fireworks explode at 9 p.m. Call the Rose Bowl at (626) 577-3101 or visit their site at

www.rosebowlstadium.com for ticket and parking information, as well as a list of stadium "Cans and Can'ts." You also can get information by calling 1-877-3GALAXY (342-5299) or visiting www.lagalaxy.com.

■ **Burbank:** The Tonight Show All-Star Band and other entertainers provide patriotic music for the Starlight Bowl's Fourth of July "Proud to be an American" celebration that kicks off the Bowl's summer concert series. On Thursday, July 4, bring a blanket, order your picnic dinner and enjoy the stars on stage and in the sky at the city of Burbank's

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ARIES (March 21-April 19)
★★★★★ Your fire and steam help you get a strong start to what easily could be a lazy day. Your family and friends might already be playing away, getting in the mood for the Fourth. Join them as soon as you can. Don't let pressure put you out of sorts. Tonight: Whatever puts a smile on your face.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
★★★★ Recognize your limits right now. Others might be getting in the frame of mind to play on the Fourth, but you have other matters to deal with. A personal obligation could turn into a delightful pleasure if you remain open. Tonight: Pull back.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
★★★★★ Surround yourself with friends and loved ones ASAP. If you have to work, you'll zoom out the door soon enough. Trust in your energy and enthusiasm right now. You might be a hard force to stop once you start celebrating. Tonight: Go till the wee hours.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)
★★★★★ Others seek you out. Clear out immediate to-dos in order to allow yourself more time off. Whether you intend to or not, you could wind up being responsible for those around you. Take a strong stand if need be. Tonight: A must appearance.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
★★★★★ Take off as soon as you can. Travel and adventure mix in the next few days. Visit with a friend at a local vacation spot, making the next few days part of the long weekend. A romance smolders in the background. If single, you might veer in a totally new direction. Tonight: Go exotic.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
★★★★★ Make time for a special friend or loved one. In many ways this might be more rewarding than you anticipate. Flow with the moment, not focusing on what you need to do. Let go of a tendency to worry, replacing it with an enjoyment of the here and now. Tonight: Opt for closeness.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
★★★★★ Though you like to be acknowledged and accept responsibility as the path to this end, you still might be allowing too much to land on your plate. Touch base with an older relative or parent. This person cares greatly whether you call him or her. Tonight: Go along with another's wishes.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
★★★★ Relax and handle a personal matter directly. Your perspective changes a lot if you flow with an opportunity. New information comes from someone at a distance. Go with another's choices. Plans might change before you know it. Tonight: Do something physical.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
★★★★★ Your imagination excels because of a child or loved one. Be yourself when dealing with a difficult associate who could balk once you believe you have an agreement. Dig into your creativity one more time to find answers. Tonight: Let the dynamite in you out!

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
★★★★ Just when you think you have made peace, the unexpected occurs. You find that someone is a bit unstable at best, if not downright quarrelsome. Look around. Note how others go to the opposite extreme. Go with those who are convivial. Tonight: Mosey on home.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
★★★★ You might want to join in on the convivial mood of the moment, but if you do, you might need to work late. Do you really want that? Loosen up when dealing with someone you care about; not everything can be your way. Tonight: Catch up on friends' news.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
★★★★ Take complete account of your finances before you head into the weekend. Your sense of humor emerges when dealing with a child or loved one. Be consistent with this person. When you're irritated later on, you realize that you have let the boundaries between the two of you tumble. Tonight: Have a long overdue chat.

QUOTE of the DAY

**"There are more crimes in Britain now,
due to the huge rise in the crime rate."**
— Labour Party leader Neil Kinnock

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LOCAL

The Q Line

First Enron, then WorldCom and now Xerox.

Their unique accounting practices are now on public display for all to see. And their dirty little secrets are coming back to haunt corporate America. The billions of dollars in overstated revenue is just the beginning, some say.

Xerox's overstated revenue of \$6.4 billion is the latest blow to corporate America in what has become a dizzying parade of accounting missteps.

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PNA elects new members, debates VERITAS measure

By Daily Press staff

There's four new faces on the Pico Neighborhood Association's board.

At its annual organization meeting Saturday, more than 200 PNA members gathered in the Virginia Avenue Park recreation building to elect four new board members and listen to debate over a controversial ballot initiative that would divide the city into voting districts.

Savalas Colbert, Susanne Griffin, Wes Terry and Rev. Ronald Williams will replace George George, Tarik Ricard and fill two vacant positions on the PNA board.

Williams is the new pastor at the First AME Church by the Sea and has quickly become heavily involved in the neighborhood's affairs.

But he didn't intend on being elected to the PNA board.

"When I sat down, the woman next to me asked if she could nominate me, and all of a sudden another woman seconded that," he said. "And before I knew it they had elected me."

Santa Monica's AME church has a long tradition of being involved in the PNA, Williams said. According to him, past AME Rev. Ellis Cassoen helped found the organization in 1979.

"It's where I live and I want to be involved," Williams said. "I like it — I'm really enjoying living in Santa Monica."

After the elections, Mayor Mike Feinstein debated Paul DeSantis, author of the Voter Election Reform Initiative for a



Rev. Ronald Williams

True Accountability System — which proposes dividing the city into voting districts with council representation and for the direct election of the mayor who would have veto power. The initiative also proposes term limits for the council. The measure will be on the Nov. 5 ballot.

The PNA has not taken a formal position on VERITAS and Chairman Peter Tigler said the organization is still deciding whether it will take a stance either way on the issue.

The eight-square block Pico neighborhood — which runs north of the Santa Monica Freeway to Santa Monica Boulevard, south to Pico Boulevard and east from Lincoln Boulevard to Centinela Boulevard — has historically been the center of Santa Monica's violent crime, drug dealing and gang activity.

Parents hope district's efforts aren't all talk

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issues we would need to have looked into anyway."

A schedule of meetings and the group's roster is currently being hammered out by school district officials, which will be created next week. Officials believe the task force may begin its meetings by the end of the month.

Deasy met with SMPD Chief James T. Butts, Jr. Tuesday to discuss the concerns of Mothers for Justice. Butts asked Lt. PJ Guido of the department's youth services division to represent the department.

"We will participate and help out in any way possible," Guido said. "The police chief meets monthly with the superintendent to discuss these types of issues, and we have always had good cooperation with John Deasy."

Members of Mothers for Justice are asking school district administrators to re-examine their disciplinary policies in order to balance how they are carried out along racial lines, and to involve the parents more — particularly when the police are called.

The group also has released a report on institutionalized racism and its impact on students of color, which they say reveals that black and Latino students are suspended and expelled in disproportionate numbers throughout the school district.

They also say the report shows how officials are more likely to involve police in school disciplinary matters if the student is a minority.

Organizers of the group applauded

Deasy's action and they hope the task force will do more than talk about the district's problems.

"We need to really scrutinize this and find out how we can protect the students from racial profiling and selective enforcement," said Maria Loya, one of the group's organizers.

"We are very concerned with the violation of our students' civil rights."

— MARIA LOYA
Mothers for Justice organizer

"The fact that the superintendent proposed a commission, especially during the summer, is a good sign that he is serious and he takes the issues we brought forward seriously," she said.

Loya said the group's members were positive about having the police department participate on the task force, but she emphasized any new discipline policy should advocate police involvement as a "very last resort."

"We've demonstrated that student civil rights have clearly been violated, either in the school district's interrogation process or when the police are called in," she said. "We are very concerned with the violation of our students' civil rights."



Remaining mixed swells, petering southwest and northwest wind and ground swell, will last through today. Decent sets show throughout the north and south bay, clean, knee-to-waist high at northerly spots.

Light onshore winds in the morning are followed by afternoon gusts.

Thursday's surf should stay in the two-to-three foot range at exposed breaks.

(Information compiled by Jesse Haley.)

Location	Wednesday	Thursday	Water Quality
County Line	2-4'/Fair	2-3'/Fair	A
Zuma	2-4'/Fair	2-3'/Fair	A
Surfrider	2-4'/Fair	2-3'/Fair	A
Topanga	2-4'/Fair	2-3'/Fair	A
Breakwater	2-3'/Fair	2-3'/Fair	A
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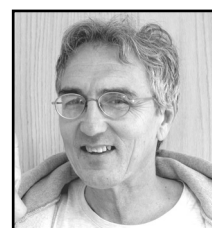
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COMMENTARY

‘... One nation ... Under God ... Divisible ...’ Duh!



EDGE of the WEST

By Ron Scott Smith

Well, leave it up to the 9th Circuit Court up there in crazy Berkeley, the only city in America registering higher than our own Santa Monica on the Left-O-Meter.

What a can of hot air they’ve gone and opened up. The earth shook, the heavens rumbled, and lives of decent folks everywhere were shattered when the decision to strike the words “under God” from the pledge of allegiance was handed down last week by a traitorous group of northern California high court justices.

You’d have thought the sky was falling smack-down on the home of the brave, what with chicken littles everywhere warning us through large, right-wing, talk-radio mouths.

Starting early, the morning after the news broke, these cultural warriors, on cue, all day long, foamed at the mouth over this fresh opportunity to do the only thing they ever do anyway — trash anything they deem to be ... liberal. The “L” word.

The king of right-radio bash, the ringmaster of these one-trick ponies, Rush Limbaugh got things off to a quick start, when, not a minute into his opening, he dusted off all the trusty old sticks and stones and started slinging them around. “Kooks,” “goofballs,” “freaks,” and “wackos,” effortlessly rolled off his tongue before he took a deep breath. “There is no greater example of the consequences of liberalism, than this decision by these kook judges in northern California,” Limbaugh said.

And so it began.

Dennis Prager, whose show runs concurrently on another band down the dial, was determined to make his play for conservative ears all across the fruited plain. He got right to his point, the point they all get to: “There is a civil war in this country for the soul of America.” He was nice enough of a guy to give thanks to God that it’s not a violent war yet, but did somewhat contradict that sentiment by saying, “This decision by the 9th Circuit is worth fighting over!” Then came this gem: “These judges are humanly (sic) wrong and Americanly (sic) wrong.” Guys that talk all day long for a living might consider some adult night-schooling in vocabulary.

Mike Medved and Sean Hannity followed with their noon to 3 p.m. tag team on separate stations, and by this time the warm-ups were done. The san-

itary gloves were off and it was time to get down and dirty.

Hannity got maybe the most dramatic read out of this thing than any of them. He officially declared this tampering of the pledge to be one of those “you’ll-always-remember-where-you-were-and-what-you-were-doing” things. Right up there with the JFK assassination and the attack on the twin towers, to name a few. Do you know where you were?

Then, the other noon-to-3 guy, Medved, unleashed his rapid-fire version of name-calling for dummies — adding “idiots,” “morons,” and “crackpots,” to the old standbys already noted. But here’s where it got interesting, as he invoked the name of ... now hold on ... our little beach town. “Slanta” Monica, I believe I heard him call us. Said something about us and our demonic rent-control, and diabolical living wage ordinances, being right up there on the mortal-enemies-of-the-USA list with the judges up north. Ouch, baby. It was getting personal now. This from the guy who, when he got to his daily dose of Europe-bashing, said: “It is true that we in America just don’t care about the rest of the world — and that’s one of the things I love about this country.”

I’m not making this up.

On to afternoon drive time, and when John and Ken, on their cleverly named “John and Ken Show,” also played the Santa Monica card when railing on a totally separate issue — assembly-woman Fran Pavley’s proposed tax on SUV’s — it began sinking in. They said this: “Where do these left-wing, socialist crackpots come from? She’s from Santa Monica and that’s all you need to know.”

You fellow citizens better listen up.

According to this right-radio gang, whether you like it or not — whether you even give a damn or not — whether you even know it or not — you’re engaged in a war for the soul of America. Me? I kind of think the soul of America’s doing just fine, except for when overzealous, over-reacting, overachieving, overweight radio hot-heads with a vision of America about 50 years gone, get to stirring things up and fomenting that ugly old-school hatred.

Somebody needs to keep an eye on these guys. It ain’t the Lakers vs. the Kings but it’s a contest that bears watching.

“Under God” or no “under God,” isn’t it a little bizarre, maybe even a little creepy, in 2002, to still be commanding rooms full of 6 and 7 year olds to stand in unison, hands on hearts, pledging allegiance to a flag, nurturing a nationalistic and religious fervor that gets this planet into trouble time after senseless time?

(Ron Scott Smith is a Santa Monica resident and can be reached at edge-ofthewest@aol.com)

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LOCAL

Police: Fireworks are illegal in Santa Monica

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Starlight Bowl, located at 301 East Olive Ave., Burbank. Gates open at 6 p.m. Enjoy music and entertainment from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. The fireworks show explodes at 9 p.m. Call the city's park, recreation and community services at (818) 525-3721 for ticket prices and more information.

■ **Culver City:** On July 4, the Culver City Exchange Club lights up the skies at Culver City High School, located at 4401 Elenda Street, with a fireworks blowout that's almost an hour long. Doors open at 4 p.m. and fireworks start at 9 p.m. Bring a picnic and make a day of it, or eat at one of the food booths and enjoy local musical acts, face painting and roving entertainers. Proceeds from food and merchandise sales benefits local youth organizations. Dogs or alcohol are not allowed. For more information, call (310)287-3850.

■ **Hollywood:** James Taylor joins the Hollywood Philharmonic at the Hollywood Bowl, located at 2301 N. Highland Blvd., for Fourth of July festivities and fireworks. Show dates: July 2, 3 and 4, 7:30 -10:30 p.m. Gates are open all day with parking available at the Bowl or in nearby lots (fee prices vary). Pack your picnic baskets, enjoy an LA landmark and watch the elaborate fireworks explode to a live Philharmonic performance. For tickets, parking fees and event information, call (323) 850-2000.

■ **Long Beach:** Celebrate our America's independence on the Queen Mary, located at 1126 Queens Hwy., Long Beach. The ship is open from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. and event admission (prices vary) is good for the entire day and includes the Queen Mary tours. On July 4 at 9 p.m., watch a blitz of fireworks light up Long Beach Harbor. The pyrotechnics are visible from other points on the harbor as well. Call (562) 436-3511 for event dates, admission prices, and parking fee information.

■ **Redondo:** Enjoy surfside Fourth of

July Festivities on the Redondo Beach Pier. Local bands kick off the Pier's summer concert series on July 4 at 6 p.m. and a brilliant fireworks display starts at 9 p.m. The ocean skyline is lit up for half an hour from a floating barge in Kings Harbor. Park on-site for \$7 or use the free park-and-shuttle service at the Redondo Beach Library and Redondo Union High School. Call (310) 318-0648 or (310) 372-1171 for more information.

■ **Studio City:** CBS' Studio City fireworks spectacular features two simultaneous fireworks shows, both set to music at two different stages on July 4. Gates to the CBS Studio Center, located at 4024 Radford Avenue, Studio City, open at 4:30 p.m. Spend the day watching Magic Castle magicians, stake out your camp and enjoy a picnic (or purchase refreshments at the event) until the sky lights up at 9 p.m. No alcohol is allowed. Call (818) 655-5916 for ticket (prices vary) and parking fee information.

■ **Torrance:** If you're in the South Bay, plan to spend the day at Charles Wilson Community Park, located at 2100 Crenshaw Boulevard, Torrance on July 4. The gala starts at 11 a.m. with carnival games, festival booths and vendors, arts and crafts, international foods and a traditional Fourth of July barbecue. Arrive early to set up camp and enjoy local bands and live entertainment until 9 p.m. when the sky explodes with a spectacular display of red, white and blue fiery bursts. Call (310) 681-2930 for more information.

The Santa Monica Police Department wants to remind citizens that it is illegal to possess, use, sell or distribute any type of fireworks that emit any flame, spark or smoke, including "Safe and Sane" fireworks.

The SMPD will issue a citation and confiscate all fireworks pursuant to the Santa Monica Municipal Code Section 8.40.010, which adopts the Uniform Fire Code, 1997 Edition.

Homicide fourth this year

SUSPECT, from page 1

"He was a mechanic that I could trust," said Ron Winkelman, owner of Westside Inc. Heating & Air Conditioning, which is located in the plaza near BT Automotive. "I liked him, he was a good guy ... I feel bad for the guy."

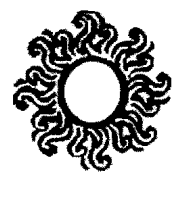
Although business owners in the area didn't see the shooting take place since most of the businesses close at 5 p.m., they suspect there was a reason Bell was involved.

According to an employee at a nearby repair shop, the victim stood on the street outside of BT Automotive most of Monday afternoon. Bell stayed late Monday night waiting for a customer to

pick up his car, which he did about 8 p.m. Bell was arrested about 30 minutes later.

SMPD detectives blocked off Pico Boulevard between 25th Street and 27th Street most of the night while they investigated the crime scene. The victim was found lying in front of the SGI-USA building, a Buddhist community center, located at 2601 Pico Boulevard.

This is the fourth homicide in Santa Monica this year. Santa Monica Police have arrested all of the suspects connected to them. One suspect who murdered his estranged wife in March at their residence on Ocean Park Boulevard killed himself when police cornered him in Nebraska.



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Checking the stress factor



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Colby Gamon, left, and Adam Williamson pull up a sample of earth while working on a drill platform on Monday in Parkfield, Calif. Contractors are assisting scientists in drilling a hole more than a mile deep near the San Andreas fault. The hole will be rigged with instruments to provide the clearest picture yet of what happens when stressed out rocks snap and trigger a tremor.

Guild report: Acting jobs decline 9.3 percent

BY LYNN ELBER
AP Television Writer

LOS ANGELES — The number of movie and television roles for Screen Actors Guild members dropped 9.3 percent last year, with supporting actors among the hardest hit, the guild said.

So-called runaway production, in which projects are filmed outside the United States, was one reason for the decline, SAG said.

Guild members tend to be used only in principal roles abroad, said spokeswoman Ilyanne Kichaven. SAG believes U.S.-based productions would be more likely to use union actors in supporting roles as well, she said Tuesday.

The rise of reality TV programs and a drop in production that followed SAG and Writers Guild of America contract negotiations in 2001 also contributed to the decrease, Kichaven said.

For 2001, according to the report released Monday, 48,167 roles were cast under guild contracts, compared to 53,134 in 2000.

"It is disappointing to see the total number of roles for SAG members declining," SAG President Melissa Gilbert said in a statement. "SAG is actively seeking remedies to bring more opportunities to our members."

Kichaven said SAG's "Global Rule One" drive could have an impact on the plight of supporting actors. On May 1, the

union increased enforcement of its requirement that members work under SAG contracts for foreign-filmed projects intended for U.S. distribution.

The SAG report, released Monday, also showed a decline in guild roles for minority actors. In 2001, a total of 22.1 percent of all roles went to minority performers, compared to 22.9 percent in 2000.

Black actors received 14.4 percent of the contract roles cast in 2001, a drop from 14.8 percent the year before. There was a slight year-to-year drop for Hispanic actors, to 4.8 percent from 4.9 percent, and for Asian and Pacific Islanders (to 2.5 percent from 2.6 percent).

An upward bump was recorded for Native American actors, from 0.2 percent in 2000 to 0.37 percent in 2001. Given the small numbers, Native American casting in a single project such as the newly released film "Windtalkers" could account for the change, Kichaven said.

Women are lagging in the Hollywood job market. Men received 62 percent of the roles cast in 2001, although women make up the majority of the population, SAG said — a finding similar to previous years.

Men worked nearly twice as many days as women in TV and movies roles in 2001.

The information is based on all TV and movie productions reported to the guild via a casting data report, SAG said. Guild contracts do not include daytime TV, game or reality shows.

STATE



Will Vivendi Universal breakup favor Diller?

BY GARY GENTILE
AP Business Writer

LOS ANGELES — In Hollywood, the buzz this week is whether Barry Diller will reprise his role as media mogul if Vivendi Universal decides to sell its U.S. entertainment assets.

Diller already serves as chief executive of Vivendi Universal Entertainment, the company formed in December after Vivendi Universal bought the entertainment assets of Diller's USA Entertainment for \$10.3 billion. The unit includes Universal Studios, which runs theme parks, and Universal Pictures, one of the more successful movie and television studios.

Diller also serves as head of USA Interactive, a collection of Internet properties including Ticketmaster and Expedia.

Whether his role will broaden depends in part on how Vivendi Universal decides to reduce its considerable debt load after the ouster of its flamboyant chairman, Jean-Marie Messier. Vivendi's board will meet Wednesday to appoint an interim chairman and formally dismiss Messier.

French newspapers and analysts speculated that Vivendi may be split into more manageable parts. Messier's grand vision of a global media empire would be reversed if Vivendi opted to sell off the movie studio it acquired when it bought Seagram for \$30 billion in 2000.

Since taking the helm of Vivendi Universal Entertainment, Diller has led the unit with a light hand, concentrating more on his interactive assets, as he had said he would. Despite concern over Diller micromanaging Universal Pictures, key executives there have all agreed to serve for another five years.

"His passion is with the interactive assets. That still makes a lot of sense to me," said SG Cowen entertainment analyst Peter Mirsky. "Most of his compensation comes from the interactive side."

Diller would be the logical choice to lead the studio again should the unit either be spun off with the backing of the Bronfman family, which sold Universal to Vivendi, or if he mounted his own purchase of the assets.

Diller is remaining mum on his plans, leaving others to speculate.

'Friends' star settles topless sunbathing photo lawsuit

BY ERICA WERNER
Associated Press Writer

LOS ANGELES — With husband Brad Pitt at her side, "Friends" star Jennifer Aniston on Tuesday settled her privacy lawsuit against two magazines that published photographs of her sunbathing topless in her back yard.

"We have perfected a settlement that's confidential ... this matter has been resolved," U.S. District Judge Ronald S.W. Lew said after a 2 1/2-hour chamber meeting with attorneys.

Pitt and Aniston were in court for the announcement just before noon, but they left without speaking to reporters. Aniston wore a long-sleeved white shirt and beige slacks with her hair pulled back, while Pitt sported a gray suit, open-necked shirt and bushy beard.

The nonjury trial in Aniston's suit had been scheduled to begin Tuesday.

As part of the settlement the parties agreed to disclose no details, and attorneys refused to elaborate outside court.

"The parties have reached this settlement, they think it's the best for both sides. It is an amicable settlement," said Aniston's attorney, Jay Lavelly.

Pressed by reporters to describe his client's reaction, he said, "Since it was an amicable settlement all sides are amicable about the terms of the settlement."

Aniston, 33, claimed a paparazzi photographer — described in her lawsuit as a "stalkerazzi" — scaled a neighbor's wall and, using a telephoto lens, snapped photos of her "reclining topless in her back yard, wearing only her panties." The pictures were then sold to the magazines.

The August 2000 lawsuit against the magazines' publishers, Man's World Publications Inc. and Crescent Publishing Group, claimed misappropriation of the right of publicity for commercial advantage, or using her name or image for com-

mercial purposes without her consent. Aniston was demanding unspecified punitive damages. Lavelly had said the actress was prepared to testify.

The photograph appeared in European magazines before being circulated in 1999 in Celebrity Skin and High Society. Aniston claimed descriptions of the photographs that said she was in the "raw" and "raunchy" were "highly offensive and objectionable."

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The defendants argued the photos were newsworthy.

"This case has been hard-fought by everybody," defense attorney Kent Raygor said outside court. "Everybody in this case had strong beliefs, strong opinions about their rights. We discussed that, explored it in depth for the last year-and-a-half."

Asked whether his clients would change their approach to photographing celebrities, Raygor said, "Everybody, including my clients, including Mr. Pitt, Ms. Aniston, we all learn from our experiences."

Aniston has received judgments and settled claims with other U.S. and European magazines that published the photo, but still has a lawsuit pending against the photographer who allegedly took the photo.

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STATE

State plans extra July 4th security as a precaution

BY DON THOMPSON

Associated Press Writer

SACRAMENTO — Californians will see extra police aircraft in the sky, more Coast Guard boats in the water and more patrolmen on the highways during the long Independence Day weekend as a result of last fall's terrorist attacks.

But there are no specific threats nor any indication California is being targeted by terrorists during the holiday, officials said Tuesday.

"We're looking for a healthy, fun Fourth of July. This is kind of serious business we're always talking about, but the truth is I'm going to go out and celebrate the Fourth, and I encourage everybody ... to do the same thing," said George Vinson, Gov. Gray Davis' security adviser.

However, he and Dallas Jones, director of the Governor's Office of Emergency Services, urged citizens to report anything unusual or suspicious.

"Just kind of be on the alert," Vinson said. "We're living under a new reality. September 11 changed things — no one can deny that."

All 30 highway patrol aircraft will be in the air virtually around the clock starting Wednesday, monitoring aqueducts, bridges, highways and areas where large groups are expected to gather, said California Highway Patrol Commissioner D.O. "Spike" Helmick.

There will be extra sea and air surveillance of major bridges and ferries in the San Francisco, Los Angeles and San Diego areas.

And the highway patrol will be at full force, with about 6,500 officers on duty, Helmick said. Patrolmen have been instructed to carry riot gear in their vehicles, he said.

Much of the highway patrol's extra vigilance is aimed not so much at terrorists as at the more than 60,000 motorcyclists expected to attend the Hollister Independence Rally south of San Francisco.

Police want to avoid a repeat of a similar April rally in Laughlin, Nev., where a

brawl in a casino between Hells Angels and Mongols gang members left three dead. A fourth biker, a Hells Angels member from San Diego, was found dead that same day on Interstate 40.

Highway patrol officers south of the San Francisco Bay area will work 12-hour shifts, and have been instructed to carry overnight bags with them just in case.

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A 60-member "special operations team" trained in riot control will be stationed near Hollister; another team will be on duty in Southern California. Both also could respond to other emergencies such as a terror attack, Helmick said. A special weapons and tactics team also will be on hand near Hollister.

Patrol cars scattered around the state will be carrying radiation detection equipment, Helmick said, but they did that even before Sept. 11.

The state's pending budget contains money for initial radiation protection gear such as coveralls, masks and gloves that patrol officers could wear until emergency crews with more sophisticated equipment arrive. Helmick said he is ready to order those kits when the budget is approved.

The California National Guard will not be on any special alert, and no military air patrols are planned over major cities, as was the case immediately after Sept. 11, officials said.

San Bernardino supervisor buys out fireworks stand

By The Associated Press

FONTANA — A San Bernardino County supervisor bought out a fireworks stand Tuesday with the aim of preventing wildfires in an area where thousands of acres have been scorched in recent months.

Supervisor Jon Mikels spent \$55,000 of his district's discretionary fund to buy out the fireworks stand on the outskirts of Fontana, about 50 miles east of Los Angeles.

"Just as the stand was ready to open, it closed," he said.

The stand, operated by the Inland AIDS Project, was one of three Mikels targeted to close. Only the operators of the AIDS project stand agreed to negotiate, Mikels said. A telephone call to the AIDS project was not immediately returned. It was unclear whether operators of the other two stands — both in San Bernardino — would consider such a deal.

Mikels said he decided to try to buy the fireworks after unsuccessfully asking cities to ban fireworks or move the stands.

"It proved impossible. This was the next best idea," he said.

The county's mountain and canyon communities have been threatened by four large wildfires in recent months. Mikels estimated the cost to fight those fires was \$10 million each.

"Compared to what it cost to fight fires, the money was well spent," he said.

NATIONAL



Students' questions answered about sharks, attacks

BY MARTHA IRVINE

AP National Writer

Summer's here and it's time to head to the beach. But before some swimmers step in the ocean, they'll hesitate for a moment at the thought of sharks in the water.

They might remember movies or news reports about shark attacks, including two last month off Florida's shores. In the first, a 16-year-old boy was bitten in the foot and, a few days later, a 10-year-old boy was bitten in the leg.

Experts, however, say there's little to fear. Shark attacks are rare — though they are increasing and are likely to continue to do so as more humans recreate in waters that are shark habitats.

There were 76 confirmed, unprovoked attacks on humans worldwide in 2001, according to a group of shark experts who compile the International Shark Attack File.

The AP asked students at Lafayette Specialty School, a public elementary school in Chicago, to pose some questions about sharks, a topic they studied earlier

this year.

Bob Hueter, director of the Center for Shark Research at Mote Marine Laboratory in Sarasota, Fla., provided the answers. Hueter has studied sharks for nearly 30 years.

— **From Danny Toro, age 7.**

Q: Why do sharks make mistakes and eat people instead of fish?

A: Even with millions of people in the water coming into contact with millions of sharks worldwide, there are only about 10 fatal shark attacks each year. Sharks really do not "eat" people. But sometimes they bite a person's hand, arm, foot or leg, perhaps thinking the person is a fish — and because the person is swimming or surfing where the sharks are feeding on their normal food.

— **From Erick Gill, age 10.**

Q: Why do sharks have a fin that sticks out of the water?

A: They really don't. That's sort of a movie mistake that's often made. Sharks

have one or two "dorsal" fins that stick up on their bodies. These fins stabilize the sharks as they swim, preventing them from rolling, side to side. It's only occasionally that these fins come out of the water, when sharks are feeding or just swimming at the surface. But sharks don't usually have their fins in the air.

— **From Peter Cruz, age 9.**

Q: Why do sharks swim in straight lines?

A: This is another Hollywood image. Sharks move their tails from side to side and can turn and pivot quite well. So they don't really swim in straight lines for very long.

— **From Vincent Tenev, age 10.**

Q: How do sharks fight off sickness?

A: Sharks have a very simple immune system that seems to work quite well in fighting off disease and healing wounds. Plus, they appear to be genetically resistant to the effects of cancer-causing chemicals. All in all, they are fairly sickness-

free animals.

— **From Stevon Crutcher, age 10.**

Q: Why do sharks eat small fish?

A: Most sharks are not that large, maybe less than 6 feet long. And most of them are fish-eaters with a diet of fairly small fish, although some sharks eat other things — crabs, lobsters, octopus, sea turtles, sea birds, dolphins and even other sharks. The largest shark of all — the whale shark — eats plankton, just like whales do.

— **From Jermaine Renix, age 10.**

Q: Why are some shark species endangered? What can we do to save them?

A: Sharks are threatened because people who are fishing take too many of them out of the water, a practice called "over-fishing." It's happening all around the world. The problem is that sharks don't grow and reproduce fast enough to replenish the numbers taken by fishing. To save them, we all need to learn more about sharks and help educate other people.

Saudi princess fined \$1,000 for pushing maid down stairs

BY MIKE SCHNEIDER

Associated Press Writer

ORLANDO, Fla. — A Saudi princess accused of pushing her maid down a flight of stairs was fined \$1,000 and put on probation in a no-contest plea accepted in court Tuesday.

Princess Buniah al-Saud is in Saudi Arabia and didn't appear at the five-minute hearing in which her attorneys didn't contest a misdemeanor battery charge filed in Florida Circuit Court.

In such a plea, a defendant doesn't admit or deny guilt but agrees to a punishment. The judge who accepted the plea also ordered her to pay \$131 in court fees and surcharges and to write a letter of acknowledgment to the court. She was put on unsupervised probation.

The plea marked an about-face for the 41-year-old princess who in February had promised a judge she would come back to the United States for trial, if allowed to return to Saudi Arabia, because she wanted to

clear her name. The princess is a niece of King Fahd of Saudi Arabia.

"It was a good way to resolve the case for all parties," said Mark Schnapp, one of her attorneys. "Would we have preferred to go to trial in the long run? Yes. But at the end of the day, she's in Saudi Arabia. This will terminate the case at this point."

Another attorney, Russell Crawford, said the princess had no immediate plans to return to the United States. Her attorneys said the plea wouldn't prevent her from returning.

"We are not contesting the charge and that's the end of it," Crawford said.

The princess had been living in Orlando while studying English at the University of Central Florida. She was originally accused in December of pushing the maid, Ismiyati Suryono, down 12 steps at their apartment, and was originally charged with attempted aggravated battery. She was later accused of also forcing Suryono to work without pay, and of stealing electronic equipment from her driver and selling it.

Al-Saud settled a civil lawsuit filed by Suryono and returned to Saudi Arabia in February with a judge's permission. Terms of the civil settlement were not released.

Suryono returned home to Indonesia for her mother's funeral and was denied a visa to return to Florida on the grounds that she might try to stay in the United States illegally.

Prosecutors said that would have kept her from testifying had the state taken the case to trial.

Assistant State Attorney Mike Saunders said he was unaware of a federal law that might have allowed Suryono to return to the United States to testify in a criminal trial. The new law, part of the Violence Against Women Act, allows visas to be issued to noncitizens in some cases.

"We did not know about it," Saunders said. "But we were already in stages of discussion, a similar plea to what is resolving the case today. So I'm not sure we would have gone through those steps."

Saunders said Suryono's attorney had indicated that a plea of a misdemeanor was acceptable to the maid.

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NATIONAL

Adventurer Steve Fossett first to complete around the world solo in balloon

BY ROB GRIFFITH

Associated Press Writer

KALGOORLIE, Australia — In dark skies high above the ocean south of Australia, American adventurer Steve Fossett reached the milestone he has chased for more than six years — becoming the first person to fly a balloon solo around the world.

"Steve has crossed the finishing line," said mission controller Joe Ritchie as Fossett's silvery Spirit of Freedom balloon crossed east of 117 degrees longitude at 27,000 feet to complete the circumnavigation.

The 58-year-old Chicago investment millionaire covered 19,428.6 miles on the trip, according to his Web site, finally succeeding in his sixth attempt at the record.

"It is a wonderful time for me," said a calm-sounding Fossett by satellite telephone from his cramped capsule, where he has spent two weeks living on military-like rations, breathing from oxygen cylinders and using a bucket as a toilet.

"Finally after six flights I have succeeded and it is a very satisfying experience," he added.

British tycoon Richard Branson — who also has tried and failed to do what Fossett achieved — paid tribute to the adventurer.

"What Steve has achieved is nothing short of remarkable. He has tried time and time again and never given up despite coming close to death on a number of occasions," Branson said in a statement.

"It was the last great aviation challenge. A challenge far more difficult than Lindbergh's crossing of the Atlantic. He deserves his place in the history books and no one can ever take it away from him."

Fossett was already planning his next adventure — flying a glider up to the stratosphere above 60,000 feet from southern New Zealand. He could launch that attempt later this month.

"I'm going to talk to him about this next thing he is doing, because it scares me, frankly," Ritchie said.

Learning from previous failures, this time around Fossett had plenty of fuel, no rogue nations to avoid and enough spare oxygen.

The meticulous preparation, combined with helpful weather made the flight almost uneventful.

"The best flight is not the most exciting flight. This flight has been boring," Ritchie said from Fossett's mission control at Washington University in St. Louis.

The voyage he began June 18 in western Australia took him exactly 13 days, 12 hours, 16 minutes and 13 seconds.

After breaking the record, Fossett was planning to continue drifting across Australia for up to 18 more hours until he finds a safe place to land — most likely on southern Australia's vast Nullarbor Plain on Wednesday morning.

What is left of Fossett's capsule after the landing will wind up in the Smithsonian Museum, according to his mission controllers.

He couldn't immediately break open champagne in his cramped capsule.

"I can't do very much celebrating here," Fossett said. "I do have a few bottles of Bud



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Pilot Steve Fossett's Bud Lite Spirit of Freedom balloon floats at 6,550 meters (21,500 feet), near the coast of South Africa, Sunday, June 30, 2002. Fossett drifted into aviation history on Tuesday becoming the first person to fly a balloon solo around the world.

Light but I'm saving it for the landing."

Bud Light sponsored Fossett's successful attempt.

As a fax from Fossett's capsule rolled into the mission control confirming his achievement, applause broke out and team members hugged in front of about 25 spectators and dozens of reporters.

About an hour after the balloon crossed the finish line, Fossett's team in St. Louis received a congratulatory call from Swiss pilot Bertrand Piccard, who made the round the world voyage as a team in March 1999 through the Northern Hemisphere with Englishman Brian Jones.

"Congratulations," Piccard told Ritchie in the phone call. "It couldn't have happened to a better guy and ... a great team."

Piccard and Jones made the trip around the world as a duo, but Fossett did it solo. As an example of the difficulties of going solo without anyone to share the labor, Fossett was able to sleep only about four hours a day during this trip, usually 45 minutes at a time. He had to climb outside the capsule alone, into temperatures well below zero, to change fuel tanks or repair burners.

Aside from a couple of turbulent patches, his flight was largely problem-free. At times, high-altitude winds powered Fossett's balloon along at a race car-like speed of 200 mph.

Fossett chose to fly over the Southern Hemisphere, as he did in 1998 and last year. That route posed fewer challenges from wary governments, since he was effectively flying over only a handful of countries.

Fossett spent the trip in a capsule 7 feet long, 5 1/2 feet wide and 5 1/2 feet tall.

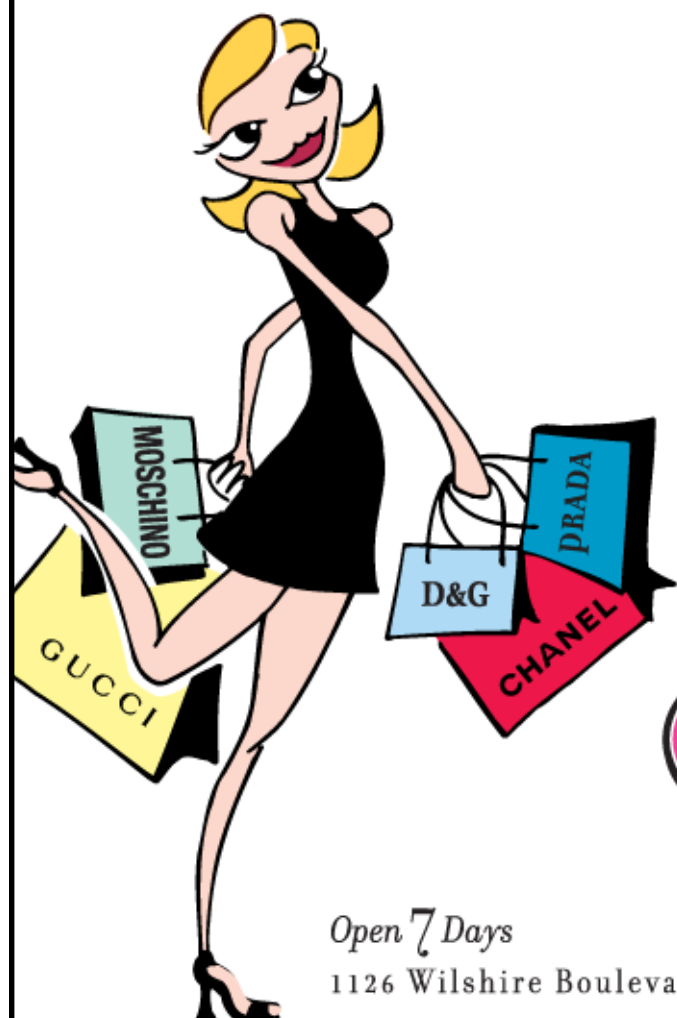
His past attempts have been far from boring.

Fossett went 14,235 miles in 1998, when his attempt from Argentina ended with his balloon's harrowing 29,000-foot plunge into the Coral Sea.

In 1998, Fossett actually traveled 15,200 miles, but the Switzerland-based Federation Aeronautique Internationale shaved the distance to account for zigzags which don't count toward records.

Last August, Fossett set a solo balloonist duration record, flying for 12 days, 12 hours and 57 minutes before going down on a cattle ranch in Brazil.

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SPORTS



Venus too quick for umpire; Henin beats Seles

BY HOWARD FENDRICH

AP Tennis Writer

WIMBLEDON, England — Venus Williams raced in behind a stinging approach shot, all 6-foot-1 of her poised at the net.

Her opponent barely got to the ball and spun a stroke wide, giving Williams a break point during their Wimbledon quarterfinal on a rainy, windy Tuesday.

“Game, Miss Williams,” the chair umpire said.

Well, not quite — that was the proper call a point later, when Williams planted a forehand winner right on the baseline.

It’s tough to keep track of the score when the top-seeded Williams is at her best.

The two-time defending champion beat 48th-ranked Russian Elena Likhovtseva 6-2, 6-0 in just 47 minutes, taking her total court time to little more than 4 1/2 hours in five matches.

While she overwhelmed yet another unheralded opponent for a 19th straight victory at the All England Club, 2001 runner-up Justine Henin overcame Monica Seles for the first time in five tries, 7-5, 7-6 (4). Williams and Henin will meet in a semifinal.

“It’s going to be tough for me. Especially on grass courts, she’s playing so well,” Henin said. “She won her matches so easily. So I know it’s going to be difficult. You know what happened last year.” Williams beat the Belgian in three sets for the title.

The other semifinal’s participants will be decided Wednesday. Venus’ sister, French Open champion Serena, will play No. 11 Daniela Hantuchova in one quarterfinal, while Jennifer Capriati faces No. 9 Amelie Mauresmo in another.

No. 3 Capriati advanced to the final eight when her rain- and darkness-delayed fourth-round match against Eleni Daniilidou was finally completed Tuesday. Capriati won 6-1, 3-6, 6-1.

The match, called Monday at a set



Alastair Grant/Associated Press

Jennifer Capriati returns to Greece’s Eleni Daniilidou during their Women’s Singles, fourth round match at Wimbledon on Tuesday. Capriati won the match 6-1, 3-6, 6-1, to reach the quarterfinals of the tournament.

apiece, resumed just before 6 p.m. after a series of rain delays and was moved from Court 1 to Court 18 to ensure it could be completed.

“The player today and yesterday was completely different,” said Capriati, who huddled in a towel between changeovers to brace against temperatures in the 50s and winds topping 25 mph. “In that second set, she was playing pretty unbelievable. It would have been very tough to beat her if we would have kept playing.”

Play was stopped at 7 p.m., leaving a men’s match unfinished. Richard Krajicek, the last Wimbledon champion left in the tournament, and Mark Philippoussis split the first four sets — all tiebreakers — of a fourth-round match. They’ll resume Wednesday.

The winner faces No. 27 Xavier Malisse, who completed his 3-6, 6-3, 3-6, 6-3, 6-4 victory over No. 23 Greg Rusedski. That fourth-round match was

halted Monday after the fourth set, and Malisse wrapped things up by breaking the Canadian-turned-Briton in the seventh game of the final set.

Williams faced just two break points against Likhovtseva, who’s never taken a set off her in eight meetings. She erased one with a 112 mph service winner.

Otherwise, Williams wasn’t challenged much at all, reeling off the last 10 games of the match and dropping just seven points in the entire second set.

Williams volleyed more than she had since the tournament began, winning the point on 16 of 20 trips to the net — including 10-for-10 in the second set.

She’s not ready to serve-and-volley, mind you, but she’s feeling more comfortable striding forward.

“With any Grand Slam, you have to play aggressively. You have to really step up and take it to your opponent,” said Williams, who’s won four of the last eight

majors. “You can’t just sit back and wait and hope they miss, because I tried that and it just didn’t work.”

She simply pounds any short shot by an opponent, any ball not delivered to a corner or carrying some real oomph.

Williams’ first real test of the fortnight — and her first match against a player ranked higher than 35th — will come against No. 6 Henin, who took her to three sets in last year’s title match.

“She didn’t play top players in this tournament. So maybe I have a little advantage on this part,” said Henin, who eliminated No. 12 Elena Dementieva and No. 4 Seles. “The key is going to be (if I play) like today: I went to the net, I was really aggressive, I wasn’t afraid, I wasn’t nervous.”

Henin’s sleek backhand was at its best for most of the match, which was twice interrupted by rain.

Seles won all four of their past meetings, but they never had played on grass, where Henin clearly is at her best — and Seles at her worst.

Wimbledon is the only Grand Slam event Seles hasn’t won (she has nine major titles), and she’s only been past the quarterfinals once — losing to Steffi Graf in the 1992 final.

The subject of steroids has hung over Wimbledon, and Capriati and Williams objected Tuesday to the WTA Tour’s plan to start no-notice, out-of-competition tests for banned substances later this year.

“I think that’s a bit of an invasion,” Capriati said, adding that she doesn’t think any players use steroids.

Williams doesn’t oppose out-of-competition testing in general, but is against no-notice testing.

“I don’t think that’s a good idea,” she said. “I think there has to at least be a notice normally. I wouldn’t let anyone in my house if I’m not expecting them. Showing up at the door — you kidding?”

Felix ‘Tito’ Trinidad retiring from professional boxing

BY RICARDO ZUNIGA

Associated Press Staff Writer

SAN JUAN, Puerto Rico — Felix “Tito” Trinidad is retiring, a legal representative for the former middleweight and welterweight champion said Tuesday.

Nicolas Medina said that the 29-year-old Trinidad, who had a successful career of multimillion dollar fights in three weight classes, has decided to quit fighting.

“After carefully evaluating all present factors and listening to the recommendation of his father, manager and trainer he has decided to retire definitely as a professional boxer,” Medina said in a statement.

Trinidad was 41-1, with 34 knockouts, and took part in 21 title fights. He is considered by many as the best Puerto Rican boxer. Trinidad began his professional career in 1990, when he was 17, after a short amateur career of 57 fights.

Trinidad won his last fight against France’s Hacine Cherifi in May. He suffered his first defeat in the previous fight against Bernard Hopkins, which also

cost him his middleweight title. Hopkins knocked him out in the 12th round.

After Trinidad beat Cherifi, Hopkins refused his requests for a rematch, as did Oscar de la Hoya, who lost a previous bout to Trinidad.

“The only fights remaining would not add anything to his career, but would cause great risk to his health,” Medina said.

Trinidad and his family could not immediately be reached for comment.

On July 19, 1993, he won his first championship — the IBF welterweight crown — when he knocked out Maurice Blocker in the second round. He defended that title 15 times.

Trinidad beat the previously undefeated De la Hoya in September 1999, adding the title of WBC welterweight championship.

A year later, he gained weight and beat promising Americans David Reid and Fernando Vargas in super welterweight bouts.

In 2001, Trinidad moved to the middleweight division and beat William Joppy, which paved the way for his unification fight against Hopkins.

Caught by a Jay



Associated Press

Boston Red Sox base runner Jose Offerman, right, gets caught at home by Toronto Blue Jays catcher Ken Huckaby while trying to score on a bases-loaded, fly out by Shea Hillenbrand in the first inning at Fenway Park in Boston on Tuesday.



INTERNATIONAL

U.S., global agencies gear up for new threat defense

PART III: DIRTY BOMBS

(EDITOR'S NOTE — U.S. authorities on May 8 intercepted a man allegedly planning a "dirty bomb" attack in the United States on behalf of al-Qaida. Will there be others? This is the third and final installment of a series on the threat of nuclear terrorism.)

BY CHARLES J. HANLEY

AP Special Correspondent

VIENNA, Austria — The chemist, his fingertips tracing the line of an invisible wire, imagined what might be done with a piece of iridium-192 to achieve the objective — terrorize a city with a radiation weapon.

"It would have to be cut into bits." The U.N. scientist's finger chopped at the air. "That's so it would be dispersed." He went on, then looked up and stopped. "We've been working more with the Americans, you know. There's much they don't want shared."

Quietly, wary of sharing information publicly, handed a near-impossible mission, specialists in the United States and Russia and at the U.N. nuclear agency based in Vienna are laying plans for a global defense against "radiological dispersal devices," potential terror weapons some have dubbed "dirty bombs."

Unlike nuclear warheads, designed to kill and destroy through the heat and blast of giant fission-fusion reactions, radiation weapons would rely on conventional explosives to blow radioactive material far and wide — cesium, cobalt, iridium, isotopes in everyday use in medicine and industry.

In the aftermath of Sept. 11, this threat looks more real, real enough to have brought the top U.S. and Russian energy officials together in May to announce that a task force would work to secure such radioactive sources in the former Soviet Union.

At his Vienna headquarters, the director general of the International Atomic Energy Agency said a nuclear bomb would be more frightening in terrorist hands, but a radiological weapon is more likely to end up there.

"It might not have the number of fatalities, but certainly it would create a lot of panic," Mohamed ElBaradei told The Associated Press. "It is attractive from the perspective of a terrorist."

The isotopes seem attractive to many.

On March 6, 2001, Moscow police seized three Russian suspects and a half-pound of radioactive cesium-137, in what police sources told Russian television was to be a \$1.5 million sale to an intermediary for a "Middle East country." The country was not named.

This May 30, Lithuanian police arrested six Lithuanians who they said were trying to sell about 2 pounds of cesium-137 on the black market. Their foreign contact eluded authorities.

Then on June 10, the U.S. government announced it had detained an American Muslim, Jose Padilla, who had returned to the United States after allegedly plotting with al-Qaida contacts in Pakistan to attempt a radiological attack in the United States.

An IAEA database tracks dozens of cases since 1993 of trafficking in radioactive materials. Many originate in the former Soviet Union, and many seem the work of common criminals with a notion the material is valuable.

Besides thefts, some deadly lumps of radioactivity were "orphaned" in the ex-Soviet Union — left behind unguarded when the military pulled back to Russia from outlying republics. In Georgia, three woodsmen were stricken with illness after finding two strontium-run nuclear batteries in the mountains. The IAEA organized an unprecedented hunt last month for other such radioactive perils in that former Soviet republic.

Strontium and the other exotic isotopes, or radionuclides, byproducts of nuclear reactors, have worked their way into daily life in many ways, their deadly radioactivity put to use treating cancer, sterilizing medical equipment, finding oil deposits, disinfecting food. The IAEA estimates 34,000 radiotherapy cancer treatments are administered worldwide each day.

Potent batches must be heavily shielded, because exposure to their gamma rays for more than a pinpoint moment can cause acute radiation poisoning, even death. Long-term exposure to lower levels can cause cancer.

Turning an isotope into a weapon would be an unpredictable exercise — and dangerous, if not suicidal, for terrorists without elaborate protective equipment.

A makeshift weapon's impact would depend on the explosive charge; the wind and weather; the type, amount and radioactive intensity of the isotope and how it was placed with the bomb. Its form — solid or powdery — would determine how widely it might be dispersed by a blast, or by ventilation systems, vehicles, clothing, the wind.

Radioactivity is insidious in other ways, too: Long-lasting cesium-137, for example, fuses with concrete. Buildings might have to be demolished.

In 1987 in Goiania, Brazil, unwitting scavengers broke open an abandoned radiotherapy unit and spread its cesium-137 around the city. Four people died, hundreds were contaminated, 85 houses had to be destroyed, and thousands of tons of clothing, furniture and other exposed material were carted off. In Goiania it was cesium chloride, a talc-like powder, easily dispersible.

"If someone with a certain set of mind got hold of a source like Goiania, he could cause not necessarily a lot of deaths, but a lot of social disruption," said Anthony Wrixon, the IAEA radiation safety specialist and chemist who described the approach to iridium wire.

He then added, "I don't believe cesium chloride material like this is produced anymore."

A simple Internet search, however, shows it is still out there. In fact, a company just 35 miles from New York City manufactures a powerful food irradiator packed with cesium chloride powder — 2.8 million curies' worth, in the basic measure of radioactivity.

A "dirty bomb" of just 1,000 curies might contaminate a vast swath of a city, nuclear physicist Steven E. Koonin testified at a U.S. Senate hearing in March.

The IAEA reports 300 such irradiators in use worldwide. Their massive bulk and deadly untouchability are considered deterrents to tampering by outsiders, but U.S. authorities also recently instructed users and transporters of large radioactive sources to step up security.

Another witness reminded the senators, however, that tiny amounts also can do great damage. Physicist Henry Kelly, a

former White House technology adviser, said that if the cesium in a medical gauge recently found in North Carolina were attached to 10 pounds of TNT and exploded on the Washington Mall, it theoretically might force a decades-long abandonment of a 40-block area covering the Capitol and the Supreme Court.

The scenarios frighten. The task of defending against them is daunting.

"It's a big job. It's not clear that it can be done," Linton Brooks, deputy chief of the U.S. Energy Department's nuclear security operations, said in an interview in Washington. "But I think it once again is an expansion of our thinking based on 9/11."

In Moscow, a key official of Russia's nuclear regulatory agency agreed.

Tracking "sources" would be an even tougher job than protecting the plutonium and uranium for nuclear bombs, said Yuri G. Volodin. "The spectrum of radioactive sources is so wide, and the number out there is immense."

A first step will be to identify the sources that are most dangerous and most accessible to terrorists, U.S. officials said. The Americans and Russians are also quickly mounting a pilot project to tighten security at a huge "radioactive dump" for such sources in the Moscow area.

In the longer term, the IAEA wants to study the idea of an international tracking

system for large radioactive sources. It says more than 100 countries may have inadequate regulation of such material. "What is needed is cradle-to-grave control," the IAEA's ElBaradei said at a news conference in London last week.

Others recommend that governments finance research into alternatives to radionuclide use.

The U.S. government, meanwhile, has dispatched hundreds of radiation sensors to U.S. border crossings and transportation hubs, and the IAEA is working to install them internationally.

It's expensive — up to \$65,000 to properly equip a single monitoring point, said Reza Abedin-Zadeh, the IAEA's safeguards equipment chief.

Will the dread of nuclear terrorism, of fission bombs or radiation weapons, produce a world with nuclear sentinels on every corner? "I don't want to see that for my children," said Abedin-Zadeh. "We're faced with this because of some states' carelessness with nuclear material control and accounting. I hope we can solve the problem in 10 years."

Kelly, president of the Federation of American Scientists, offered the senators an answer beyond accounting: "In the long run our greatest hope must lie in building a prosperous, free world where the conditions that breed such monsters have vanished."

Surveying the wreckage



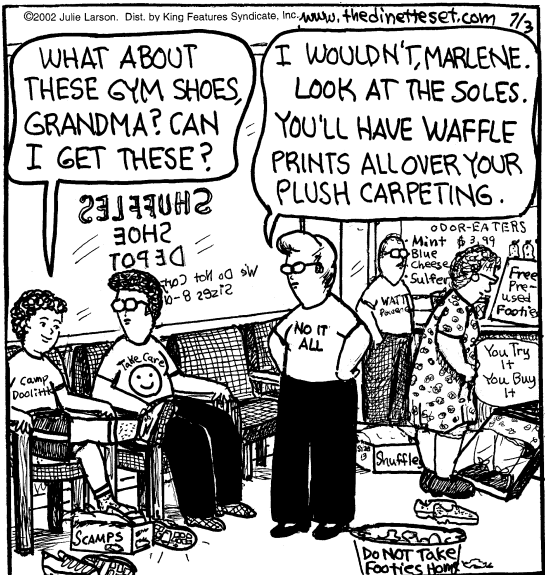
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Rescue teams and firefighters search the debris of the crashed Boeing 757 cargo plane near Taisersdorf, southern Germany on Tuesday. Two aircraft, a Bashkirian Airlines Tu-154 passenger jet from Moscow bound for Barcelona, Spain, carrying children and teen-agers, and a Boeing 757 from the DHL package delivery service, carrying cargo, were believed to be flying at an altitude of about 12,000 meters (36,000 feet) when they collided late Monday night scattering flaming wreckage over a wide area. All aboard were believed to be killed, officials said.

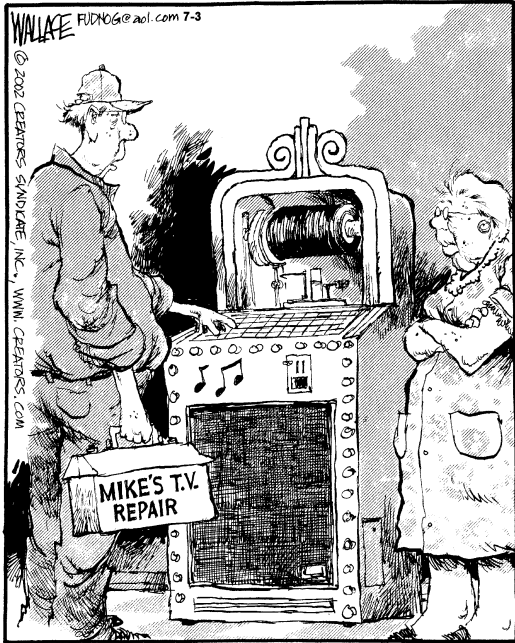
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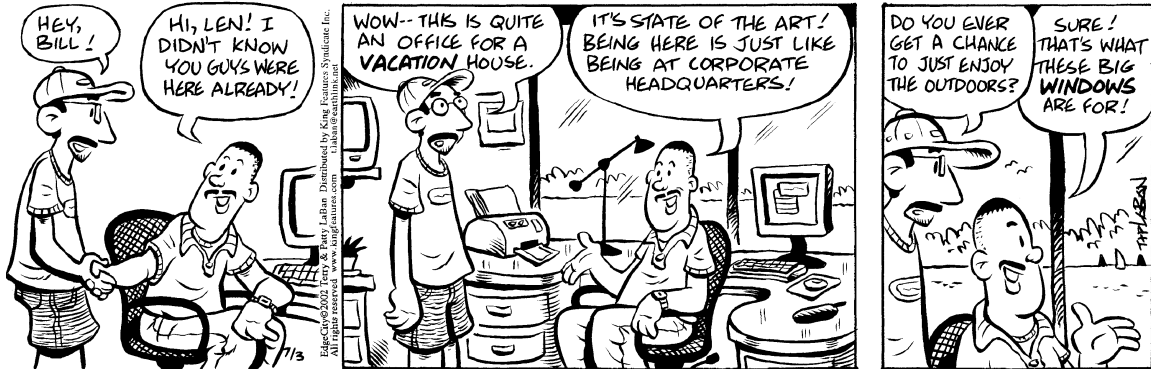
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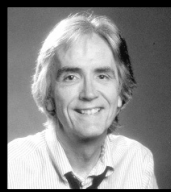
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Calendar

Wednesday, July 3, 2002

movies

Loews Broadway Cinema 1441 Third St. at Broadway
About a Boy (PG-13) 12:00, 2:30, 5:00, 7:30, 10:00. *The Sum of all Fears* (PG-13) 12:45, 3:45, 6:45, 9:45. *The Bourne Identity* (PG-13) 1:15, 4:15, 7:15, 9:30, 10:15, 11:45. *Juwanma Man* (PG-13) 11:30, 2:00, 4:30 7:00.

Mann Criterion 1313 Third St.
Windtalkers (NR) 4:00, 10:10. *Minority Report* (PG-13) 11:30, 12:30, 3:15, 4:15, 7:00, 8:00, 10:30, 11:15. *Divine Secrets of the Ya-Ya Sisterhood* (PG-13) 11:10, 2:00, 4:45, 7:30, 10:15. *Bad Company* (PG-13) 12:40, 7:20. *My Big Fat Greek Wedding* (PG) 11:20, 1:45, 4:30, 7:10, 9:40. *Insomnia* (R) 11:00, 1:50, 4:40, 7:40, 10:40.

AMC Theatre SM 7 1310 3rd Street
Lilo & Stich (PG) 10:40, 12:55, 3:05, 5:25, 7:35, 9:30. *Hey Arnold! The Movie* (PG) 10:30, 12:40, 2:55, 5:00, 7:10. *Mr. Deeds* (PG-13) 10:55, 11:55, 1:45, 2:30, 4:15, 5:15, 7:00, 7:50, 9:50, 10:30. *Star Wars: Episode II - Attack of the Clones* (PG) 10:30, 1:35, 4:40, 7:45, 10:50. *Scooby-Doo* (PG) 11:05, 1:20, 3:35, 5:45, 8:00, 10:15. *Spider-Man* (PG-13) 11:00, 1:40, 4:30, 7:20, 10:40.

Landmark Nu-Wilshire 1314 Wilshire Blvd.
The Fast Runner: Atanarjuat (NR) 11:30, 3:15, 7:30. *Lovely and Amazing* (R) 12:00, 2:15, 4:30, 7:00, 9:30.

Laemmle Monica 1332 2nd St.
Y Tu Mama Tambien (NR) 12:00, 2:35, 5:10, 7:45, 10:15. *The Emperor's New Clothes* (PG) 1:40, 4:20, 7:00, 9:40. *Sunshine State* (PG-13) 12:30, 3:45, 7:00, 10:10. *Pumpkin* (R) 1:35, 4:25, 7:15, 10:05.

Today

Community

Senior Suppers - Discounted meals for people AGE 55 or older are served daily, from 3:30 p.m. To 7 p.m., in the cafeteria at Santa Monica-UCLA Medical Center, 1250 16th Street in Santa Monica. \$3.69 Info only: (310)319-4837.

Santa Monica Strutters, a FREE program sponsored by UCLA Healthcare's 50-Plus Program! Walking programs for adults 50 or older looking for safe, low-impact exercise in a comfortable environment. The Santa Monica Strutters meet Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays, from 8 a.m. To 10 a.m., at Santa Monica Place, Fourth St. and Broadway Ave. in Santa Monica.

Classes

Los Angeles Arts Academy, Summer Art Camp in Santa Monica & Westchester. Ages 5 to 13 years old. Lots of fun: art, acting, singing, karaoke, drawing, sculpture, drum circles, field trips & more! June 24 through August 16, M-F 9 a.m. To 3 p.m. (except field trip days). Now enrolling! laarts@earthlink.net.

Entertainment

Sucker, Psychedelic Breakfast, Perkowski. 14 Below, 1348 14th St., (310)451-5040.

Fishbone. Temple Bar. 1026 Wilshire Blvd., (310)393-6611.

The Shakers, Propaganda Man, Fountain &

Vine. The Joint, 8771 W. Pico Blvd., W. LA. (310)275-2619.

Cara Rosellini hosts The Gaslite's Comic Review, followed by open-mic comedy karaoke, at The Gaslite, 2030 Wilshire Blvd. 7:30 p.m. FREE! (310)829-2382.

Poetry N Go Club, 8 pm. UnUrban Coffeehouse. 3301 Pico Blvd., Santa Monica, (310)315-0056.

Anastasia's Asylum, 1028 Wilshire Blvd., Santa Monica. Board games, cushiony sofas, a full veggie menu, juices, teas, and coffee that grows hair on your chest. No cover. (310)394-7113.

Rusty's Surf Ranch, 256 Santa Monica Pier. Walls and ceilings are lined with one of the area's largest collections of pre-1970's surfboards. Cover varies. Full bar. All ages. (310)393-7386.

LUSH 2020 Wilshire Blvd., Santa Monica. Three bars, plenty of booths, sofas, leopard-print carpet and a sunken dance floor. Mexican grill serves dinner after 5 p.m. Full bar. Over 21. Cover \$5 - Free. (310)829-1933.

Thursday

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No Cover tonight! Temple Bar, 1026 Wilshire Blvd., Santa Monica. This candlelit lounge fosters a community atmosphere. Kitchen features a full menu. Full bar, over 21. (310)393-6611.

Sativa- house music from 8-2 featuring DJs Cade, Tomas Wolfe, Ruh-son, & Darwin. The Joint, 8771 W. Pico Blvd., W. LA. (310)275-2619.

Robin Moxey, 9:00 pm, Al, 10:15 pm, Pleasure Club, 11:30 pm. Temple Bar, 1026 Wilshire Blvd., (310)393-6611.

Improv nite: Unusual Suspects, 8 p.m., \$5, Off The Wall, 9 p.m., \$5. Comedy Underground, 320 Wilshire Blvd. *The showtime entrance is in the alley. Show info/Reservation line: (310)451-1800.

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Theatre

Santa Monica Playhouse is proud to present Picon Pie! The World Premiere of a joyous and poignant musical play about the life and loves of legendary Molly Picon. Admission is \$23.50. Show starts at 8:00 p.m. 1211 4th Street, Santa Monica. For more information please call (310)394-9779 or visit www.santamonica-playhouse.com.

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ODDS & ENDS

Peddlers banned from city

By The Associated Press

SHALLOTTE, N.C. — The town of Shallotte has given roadside peddlers the boot, saying they clutter the town's aesthetics and compete unfairly with permanent retailers.

Sunday was the last day for sellers of everything from shrimp and peanuts to old clothing after the town council passed an ordinance banning peddlers.

At least one peddler got around the ban. Peanut salesman Charles Williams had his brother, who owns the gas station where Williams' stand is located, buy the peanut business.

Shrimp dealer Richard Todd, who has peddled seafood for 16 years in the same location, said he would explore selling his operation to the owner of the lot where his stand is located.

The ban came just as peddlers were gearing up for the busy July 4 holiday, when summer traffic gets busier in the coastal town.

Home of the brave

By The Associated Press

ANDOVER, Kan. — Mario and Cassie Aberle won't need to hang an American flag outside their home for July 4th. That's because their home is the flag.

The couple wanted to do something big to show their patriotism following Sept. 11.

They noticed they had 13 siding strips on their house,

just the right number for the stripes on a flag. So, the couple painted the side of their home to look like Old Glory.

Hundreds of people have stopped by to see the giant flag and snap photos. The Aberles say eventually they'll have to repaint their house — but it will be at least another year before they do.

One hell of a rollercoaster ride

By The Associated Press

BRISTOL, Conn. — After riding a Lake Compounce roller coaster for two weeks, Noel Aube and Michael Barillaro are record setters — and new friends.

The two Meriden men rode the Wildcat 2,002 times, breaking Aube's 1975 record of 2,001 continuous rides.

Four contestants originally sought to break the record when the contest began June 17. It was down to Aube and Barillaro as of June 21.

Derrick Ruegg, a 37-year-old systems analyst, was disqualified for returning late from a break. Duane Robertson, 28, a hardwood flooring contractor, was bumped when he failed to show up one day.

Aube, 48, and Barillaro, 32, shared a prize of \$2,000 cash and a new speedboat as winners of the contest, which celebrated the 75th anniversary of the Wildcat.

Other than a sore lower back, Aube, a postal clerk, had few complaints after stepping off the coaster after 2,002 rides on Monday.

It was 1975 when Aube, then 21 and just out of the

Navy, set the record at Lake Compounce with 2,001 consecutive rides on the Wildcat — more than 79 hours, 42 minutes.

This time around, the contestant rode the coaster only during park hours, taking nights off.

Aube said he and Barillaro took turns riding in the center car, which seemed to provide the best cushioning from the bumpy, bone-rattling tracks. After the victory, Aube promptly retired.

Children found useful for some things

By The Associated Press

GREENSBORO, N.C. — A stay-at-home mom is responding to the recent water restrictions in her community by offering her services — and those of her three children — as "human sprinklers."

For about \$15 an hour, Jinni Hoggard and her children — ages 12, 11 and 8 — will hand-water lawns, gardens or anything else in need of a drink.

City officials in Greensboro, which is suffering from a four-year drought, have declared it illegal for residents to use sprinklers, but not hand-held hoses.

Hoggard believes some people may be too busy to spend hours personally watering their lawns.

"I thought, 'Ooh, I could be a human sprinkler, and I could make my children sprinklers,'" she said.

Last week, Hoggard bought a classified newspaper ad to tout her services. She hasn't received any gigs yet, but she thinks people will call as their gardens falter.

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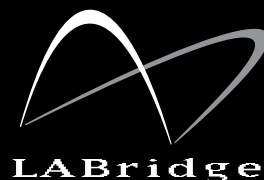
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