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Happy fourth of July, Santa Monica!

Grounded by high costs, Airport museum closing

BY ANDREW H. FIXMER
Daily Press Staff Writer

Santa Monica Airport's Museum of Flying has crashed — burned by high insurance premiums and the city's costly noise ordinance fines, officials said.

After more than 25 years in the community, museum officials announced they will shut their doors permanently on July 28 and relocate the operation to another regional airport.

Increased insurance costs have prohibited museum officials from flying its collection of World War II era fighter planes since Sept. 11 because their premiums have increased nearly 90 percent.

They believe by moving the museum to a more rural location, those premiums could be lowered enough to continue flying the planes. Though museum operators said a new location has not been formally chosen, some speculate a lease may be signed for space at Camarillo Airport.

"We are in conversation with a number of locations within reasonable driving distances from Santa Monica," said Dan Ryan, the museum's executive director. "Every location has its advantages and disadvantages, but there's at least one location where we feel we could do much better than where we are at now."

Originally founded as the Donald

Douglas Museum and Library in 1974, the museum is now a non-profit corporation with an extensive collection of planes, models and exhibits, located in a hangar at the airport. The current location opened in April 1989 and has been host to nearly 200,000 youths from local area schools as part of its interactive educational tour program.

Before Sept. 11, the museum would fly its planes 10-15 hours a month. But now insurance companies are worried about Santa Monica Airport's proximity to residential and commercial developments.

"I couldn't imagine if there was an accident or incident involving

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Andrew H. Fixmer/Daily Press
Antique planes hang from the ceiling at Santa Monica Airport's Museum of Flying. The museum is closing and will move to another regional airport on July 28.

Santa Monica City Mayor to attend U.N. summit

Mayor hopes to promote national environmentalism

BY TRAVIS PURSER
Special to the Daily Press

Santa Monica Mayor Michael Feinstein said he will attend the World Summit on Sustainable Development in Johannesburg, South Africa, this summer along with Councilwoman Pam O'Connor.

Feinstein said the trip will be an opportunity for him and O'Connor to showcase the Santa Monica Sustainable City Program, which encourages economic development in a way that protects the environment and human well-being. The city's alternative fuel vehicles and recycling are two results of the program.

Local and national leaders from around the world are expected to attend the event. The United Nations is organizing it as a follow-up to the 1992 Earth Summit in



Mayor Michael Feinstein

member hopes the new event will be an opportunity for cities to join forces to influence national governments to pay more attention to sustainability. "Our federal government could set sustainability targets as (Santa Monica) did."

Feinstein expects such "cross-pollination" to occur not only among governments in the United States, but among governments around the world.

On an international level, Feinstein said he is concerned that measures set up

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Rio de Janeiro.

"We're going to find out things we didn't expect" about how other communities are complying with recommendations that came out of the 1992 summit, Feinstein said. But also, the Green Party

'Tricked out' casting



Andrew H. Fixmer/Daily Press
Casting agents for the movie 'Fast and the Furious II' audition more than 350 suped-up hot-rods at the Civic Center Auditorium parking lot Wednesday.

Americans argue about tipping, how much is a good tip

BY NANCY BENAC
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON — Some people sneak back to the table to add more money, some to snatch back a few dollars. Husbands and wives dicker, parents and kids argue, all over how much to tip when they eat out.

It's summertime, when people eat out the most, and it's a sure bet that the final

course at many a meal will be a debate over what the service was worth.

Ask around, and it seems everyone has a tipping system — and a theory on who's the most generous or stingy.

Marty Mondragon, 40, of Albuquerque, N.M., says his sister calculates 15 percent down to the exact penny. "Just round it," he insists.

Sandra Lawless, 37, of Venice, Fla., said her husband "pretty much does what

I tell him — usually 15, 20 percent."

Jessica Bellis and fiance Paul Rogers came out of Cafe Asia on 19th Street in Washington one recent evening and reported tipping 20 percent because it's easy to do the math — take 10 percent and double it.

"Paul will very easily just take 20 percent," Bellis chimed in, "and I'll be like 'Whoa, whoa, whoa. What are you doing? We don't need to give that much.'"

Overall, support for the practice of tipping has grown in recent years, from 55 percent in a 1978 Roper survey to 73 percent in a new poll for The Associated Press.

The AP poll, conducted by ICR of Media, Pa., finds that younger people are more supportive of tipping than older Americans, and that people in the

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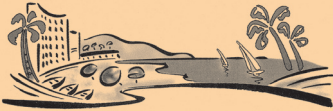

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★★★ Use care with finances. You might go overboard in an attempt to celebrate and allow your most lively and wild mood to flow. Dote on others, but in a meaningful manner. Let others ask for more of what they need emotionally. Tonight: Help another feel at ease.

♉ TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

★★★★★ You're all smiles, and for good reason. Starting the weekend early puts you in an unusually good frame of mind. Entertain, inviting others over. No one can make others feel more at ease than you. Spend time with a favorite friend. Tonight: Let the fireworks happen!

♊ GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

★★★ Slow down and take your time when making a decision. In fact, relax and put your feet up. Even though many around you could be celebrating, you could opt to do otherwise. Watch an old movie or visit with a friend. Feel free to listen to another drummer. Tonight: Keep it low-key.

♋ CANCER (June 21-July 22)

★★★★★ Where your friends are is where you can be found! You might even do the tour of parties and celebrations. Decide who and where, and the rest will be easy. Celebrate the day in your typical style. A special friend or loved one seeks you out. Tonight: Where the gang is.

♌ LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

★★★★★ Take charge and invite others to join you, whether at your home or out at an event. Celebration comes naturally to the Lion. Do others a favor and share this special day with them. A child or loved one still needs special attention. Tonight: In the limelight.

♍ VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

★★★★★ You might want to do something a bit different this Fourth of July. Some might opt to take off and do some traveling. Be smart and don't make plans to return right away. Others might want to escape to the movies or a concert. Tonight: Reach out for someone at a distance.

♎ LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

★★★★★ You don't have to be among crowds or with your many friends. Choose the company of one special person who you ultimately enjoy. Get past images and do something a bit different. Make it OK to have your own private fireworks. Tonight: Let the fun go till the wee hours.

♏ SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

★★★★★ Your popularity peaks. What a perfect day to join friends. You make the rounds, visiting with friends, loved ones and others in general. Socialize to your heart's content. Wear red, white and blue! You're nearly as popular as the flag! Tonight: You could watch not only the sunset, but also the sunrise.

♐ SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

★★★★★ Go out of your way for someone you care about. For some, you might pitch in and do this person's job so a friend can have the day off. For others, you might want to go out of your way to make sure a lonesome friend or two has plans. Tonight: Just go with the moment.

♑ CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

★★★★★ Allow your sensuality to direct you. Nothing has to be a certain way. Just flow. Seize the moment when another decides to cave in and give you what you most want. Socialize and play as if you were a kid again. Tonight: Play the night away.

♒ AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

★★★ You opt to stay close to home right now. Indulge a family member, making the most out of an opportunity. Listen well to another, also sharing some vulnerability. Catch up on news and recent happenings. Tonight: You don't have to go far.

♓ PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

★★★★★ Speak your mind without worry. Others lighten up the mood of the day, refusing to take anything or anyone personally. Delay an important conversation if you must. Be yourself; be lively. Enjoy the moment to the max. Tonight: Get together with friends.

 **QUOTE of the DAY**

“Don't take everything I say so verbally.”

— Anthony Bradenthaler

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LOCAL

All in a day's work



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Latin station 'Noticiero T52 Telemundo' reporter Maria Araiz Perez prepares to give a live broadcast report from the beach on a recent afternoon.

Team work



Photo courtesy
A determined, defensive-minded squad of 7 and 8-year-old Santa Monicans dominated last week's All-star Wilmington Invitational Tournament for Pony League, Pinto division. The young ball players went undefeated, and allowed only five hits in four games. They sport a healthy confidence going into the July 5 regional tournament, where a good showing means a shot at the little league World Series.

SM Police Department wins an Emmy for documentary

By Daily Press staff

Santa Monica's finest won one of Hollywood's top awards. The Santa Monica Police Department-produced a 30-minute video documentary titled, "Every 15 Minutes-For My Friends," which depicted the tragic effects of teenage drinking and driving. The film was honored with an Emmy Award in the Children/Youth Programming Category at the 54th Annual Los Angeles Emmy Award ceremonies held last Saturday at the Academy of Television Arts & Sciences' Leonard H. Goldenson Theatre in North Hollywood.

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.

Investors now sit around the dinner

table betting whether the worst has come out in corporate America's earnings fabrication scandal.

This week Q Line wants to know:

"Is more scandal to unfold in this mess? Is this the time to invest?"

Call (310) 285-8106 with your response before Thursday at 5 p.m. We'll print them in Friday's paper. Please limit your comments to a minute or less; it might help to think first about the wording of your response.



More of the same today, knee-to-waist-high sets, cleanest at north bay locales. Light onshore winds in the morning will pick up in the afternoon, meaning mostly glassy conditions.

Friday, an incoming southwest swell will begin to show. The increased activity will post periodical chest-high sets during the afternoon.

The new swell builds this weekend.

(Information compiled by Jesse Haley.)

Location	Thursday	Friday	Water Quality
County Line	2-3'/Fair	2-4'/Fair	A
Zuma	2-3'/Fair	2-4'/Fair	A
Surfrider	2-3'/Fair	2-3'/Fair	A
Topanga	2-3'/Fair	2-3'/Fair	A
Breakwater	2-3'/Fair	2-3'/Fair	A
El Porto	2-3'/Fair	2-3'/Fair	A

Tides:				
Thursday	12:34 A.M.	6:07 A.M.	11:16 P.M.	6:08 P.M.
	Low 1.64'	High 3.12'	Low 1.89'	High 5.04'
Friday	1:21 A.M.	7:21 A.M.	12:00 P.M.	6:41 P.M.
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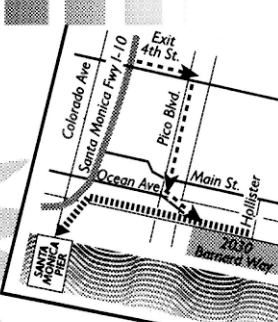
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OPINION LETTERS

City is full of hot air

Editor:

Congratulations to the non-smoking zealots in the first step of their crusade to ban smoking anywhere, anyplace, anytime in Santa Monica. Just as Prohibition made America the laughingstock of the civilized world, our anti-smoking Puritans can one day "make the world safe for six-year olds" by just banishing all evil adult residents (to Venice?) as well as establishing strategic checkpoints in the city, manned by wand-waving "sniffers" 24/7, so as to exclude free-thinking tourists who might attempt to bring tobacco (even chewing tobacco "my God, they could exhale.") products into the city.

Dave Hughes
Bay area

Let owners opt-out

Editor:

In her letter on July 2, Bea Nemlaha makes a number of dubious statements about the intent of the Homeowners for Voluntary Preservation initiative (By the way, I am one of the three signatories of that initiative; Tom Larmore is not).

First, Bea says that under our initiative historic districts would be held up by one or two people who didn't want their homes included. This is unlikely.

Even in the potential districts that exist now, not every home is listed as a contributor. It is entirely possible, even probable, to have districts which do not include every home in the neighborhood. There would be no harm in letting people opt out.

If you drive through either the 18th Street potential district or the La Mesa potential district, you will see hundreds of "No Historic District" lawn signs. In spite of this, the Landmarks Commission has, as of this writing, taken NO action to remove either area from their list of potential districts. This is the opposite problem than the one Bea seems to be worried about; it is a few people (six, to be exact) continuing to promote districts where 90 percent of the citizens don't want them. The Landmarks Commission itself is making our initiative necessary.

She also says that a structure could be prevented from being designated if just one owner doesn't agree, even if all the other owners want it. Since our initiative covers ONLY single family R1 homes, I am confused as to her point. I don't know how many people own her house, but most single family homes are owned by ... pay attention now, Bea ... a single family.

She asks whether we really want a city where we are powerless to stop remodels if the "current" owner of a house wants to make them. Well, yes we do. As long as a homeowner conforms to zoning laws, we want him or her to be able to remodel. I guess this is just a philosophical difference.

Near the top of her letter, she states that by designating your home the Landmarks Commission does not "take control" of your property. Well, if they can stop you from remodeling, which seems to be the part of the ordinance Bea likes best, what do you call it?

The root of the problem in Santa Monica is that truly magnificent historical structures get lumped in debate with all the less important structures that are potential structures of merit or parts of potential historic districts. No one on our side wants to see true architectural or historic treasures destroyed, but the Landmarks ordinance lumps them all together.

The easiest way to save my simple house from their grasping reach is to pass an initiative that protects all houses.

Perhaps there is a compromise to be made, but the Landmarks Commission and their bosses at the City Council have been steadfast in their refusal to offer one. In their arrogance, they believe they can make this problem go away by ignoring it. Well, we're not going away, and we will pass this initiative. Maybe it's time they let their egos drop and actually talked to the people.

Greg Poirier
Santa Monica

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ENTERTAINMENT

Actor Paul Newman's not packing it up ... yet

BY SEAN DALY
Special to the Daily Press

CHICAGO — Paul Newman had to see the question coming. After all, in March 2000 he did look at talk show host David Letterman with those famous blue eyes and announce plans to make one final movie before calling it a wrap.

So Mr. Newman, is the new Mob drama "Road To Perdition" going to be your swan song?

"It's probably closer to a vulture than a swan," he quips, prompting a round of laughter from reporters gathered in a ballroom at the posh Ritz-Carlton Hotel. "I keep trying to retire from everything and I've discovered that I've retired from absolutely nothing. I don't seem to be able to retire."

At 77, the Oscar-winning star of "The Sting" and "Cool Hand Luke" says he still has a few things to scratch off his To-Do list before packing it in.

For one thing, he is hoping for a big screen reunion with Joanne Woodward, his wife since 1958. "We're looking at something down the pike," Newman reveals, in between bites of scrambled eggs. "So there's still a little vinegar left in the old dog yet."

And apparently some salad dressing, too. "My favorite flavor is the Family Italian Recipe," he shares, casually changing the subject to accommodate a shameless plug for his famous line of Newman's Own organic food products. The Kenyon College graduate also offers a quick hint to spice up his best-selling line of spaghetti sauces: "Try adding bacon and green olives."

"The spaghetti sauce is good to think about — morning, noon and night," he laughs. "Think about the spaghetti sauce. And think about hustling other people to buy the spaghetti sauce."

Not that he needs the customers. Since 1982, Newman's Own products (yes, they have considered adding Butch Cassidy Beer) have grossed more than \$110 million dollars, all of which has been donated to charity.

"These days, my spaghetti sauces out gross my movies," he likes to joke.

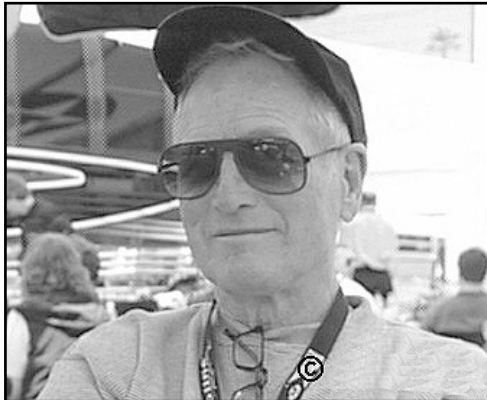
Newman also operates The Hole in The Wall Gang Camp in Ashford, Connecticut for children with cancer and other blood-related diseases.

"I don't think that there's anything exceptional or noble in being philanthropic," he says, in a suddenly more serious tone. "It's the other attitude that confuses me. I am really confounded at the stinginess of some institutions and some people. You can only put away so much stuff in your closet."

Newman must be hoping some of his good karma will rub off on the July 12 release of "Road To Perdition," the story of a 1930s Chicago hit man seeking revenge on the mobster who killed his wife and son. Newman co-stars as John Rooney, a powerful Mob boss caught in the middle of the feud.

"Rooney's son Connor is a bad guy and his 'adopted' son Michael (Tom Hanks) is kind of a good bad guy," the silver haired actor explains. "Rooney is forced to protect one at the expense of the other, so it's an intriguing conflict."

"Road To Perdition" is Newman's first big screen role since "Where The Money



Paul Newman

Is" in late 2000.

He has appeared in more than 55 films since making his big screen debut in the 1954 klunker "The Silver Chalice."

"That was the worst film of the 1950s," he confessed in a recent interview. "It adds luster and dimension to the word awful, but it gives me a kind of reverse pride because it gives every young actor hope. No matter how bad your early films are, there's hope for a career."

By all accounts, the only son of Arthur and Theresa Newman — proprietors of a successful Ohio sporting goods store — landed squarely on his feet. He earned a total of nine Academy Award nominations before finally taking home the Best Actor statue in 1987 for his portrayal of an aging pool shark in "The Color of Money."

Newman recently completed a three-week engagement in Thornton Wilder's "Our Town" at the Westport, Connecticut Country Playhouse, where Woodward serves as artistic director.

"It's the first play that I've done in 35 years," he says, likening the experience to "sticking a rifle in your mouth."

Ironically, Newman made his television debut in 1955, playing a teenager in a musical version of that same play. (It was his only singing role.) Newman did appear in other stage productions — his Broadway debut came in the 1953 cast of "Picnic" — before eventually landing a film contract from Warner Bros.

These days, Newman says he is becoming more and more comfortable in the role of supporting actor.

"I'm realistic. I'm no longer a marquee star. I can't open a film any more the way Tom Cruise can ... But I can still get a good table in a restaurant," he grins.

After being discharged from the United States Navy, Newman married Jacqueline Witte in 1949. They had two daughters, Susan and Stephanie, and a son, Scott, who died in 1978 of a drug overdose. He exchanged vows with Woodward nine years later (daughters Elinor, Melissa and Claire followed), and their union remain one of the longest lasting in Hollywood history.

Newman is a four-time winner of the Sports Club of America National Championship, half-owner of the Indy Car motor racing team of Newman-Haas. A runner up in the 1979 LeMans 24 Hour race, he admits:

"It's been difficult for me to give it up. It's been my one addiction. But I'm gradually retiring from racing."

Yeah, yeah, we've heard that one before.

(Sean Daly is a Santa Monica-based writer and is president of Showtime Entertainment.)

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City's aerospace past will no longer be on display

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ours or anyone else's aircraft here," Ryan said.

Airport manager Bob Trimborn said he has worked hard to keep the museum in its present location and is disappointed to see it leave.

"It's definitely not in the best interest of the airport that they're closing," Trimborn said. "That museum holds so many important artifacts from this airport's past."

Ryan also said museum officials are

upset at the high fines charged by the city against violators of its noise ordinance. A first offender can receive a \$2,000 fine, a second could receive a \$5,000 fine and beyond that violators may be charged \$10,000 per infraction.

"We have to power back the aircraft to land them (underneath the noise ordinance), and that's not safe and it's bad for the engine," Ryan said. "And besides, I don't even have \$2,000 in our marketing budget, let alone enough to pay fines to the city."

He added, "We have exhausted all

options (with the city)."

But Trimborn said the museum's planes rarely breached the noise ordinance.

"The noise ordinance hasn't changed except for the fining element," he said. "We've had very few violations from them over the years."

During World War II, Donald Douglas built many of the military's planes at its factories located at the Santa Monica Airport. The factories brought 44,000 workers into the city, changing Santa Monica from a sleepy bedroom communi-

ty into a thriving city.

The Museum of Flying has held multiple commemorative events and recognized various groups of aviation and aerospace celebrities, including the greatest test pilots of the 20th century and the pioneering astronauts from the Mercury, Gemini, and Apollo space missions.

The museum houses numerous artifacts from Santa Monica's aviation past, such as Donald Douglas' drafting table and a plane built at the airport that was one of the first to fly around the world.

Sustainable cities less susceptible to terrorist acts

MAYOR, from page 1

by the World Trade Organization could undermine local governments' ability to enforce ordinances meant to protect human rights and the environment. For example, the WTO could override Santa Monica's proposed living wage ordinance, which would set the minimum wage for some workers at \$10.50 per hour, plus health benefits. Feinstein expects the summit to influence the WTO agenda, and he wants to be there to address that.

The summit takes place Aug. 26-Sept. 4, but Feinstein, citing concerns about his personal security, declined to say exactly how long he would be gone. He said he and O'Connor would personally pay for the trip, except for a \$200 registration fee to attend a local government session

sponsored by the International Council for Local Environmental Initiatives Aug. 27-29. The city of Santa Monica is a member of the council and will pay the fee, he said.

Santa Monica allots \$6,700 in travel expenses annually for each elected official.

O'Connor, a Democrat, said she and Feinstein might be asked to speak at the summit because Santa Monica is widely known as having an advanced sustainability program.

Last Saturday a town hall meeting to prepare environmentalists for the summit drew hundreds of people, including the mayor, to the Crossroads School in Santa Monica. O'Connor hopes the local government session

will produce a formal position paper to be presented to national governments at the summit.

Environmentalists say they have seen environmental issues take a back seat to security after Sept. 11. And they are waiting to see how that will effect government leaders in Johannesburg.

Feinstein said he would convey a message that environmentally sound practices help protect communities from terrorists. For example, communities that produce their own electricity, either through solar methods or otherwise, are not susceptible to the threat of terrorists cutting power lines hundreds of miles away.

Governments and organizations are making a flurry of last-minute preparations for the summit.

Study shows people tend to tip more when sunny outside

TIPPING, from page 1

Northeast are more accepting of the practice than those in other regions. More than three-fourths think a tip should be earned rather than automatic, and more than half say they've stiffed a server because of poor service.

But social researchers say that in reality, the biggest factor in determining who gets the tiptop tips is simply the size of the bill, not the quality of the service.

"Whether it's sunny outside has as big an impact on tipping as the rating on the service," said Michael Lynn, a Cornell

University professor who has researched tipping habits for two decades, earning the nickname "Mr. Tipping."

People tend to tip a little more when it's sunny, one study found.

Other oddities gleaned from the annals of tipping research: Servers who squat down at the table to look customers in the eye get about \$1 more, servers who smile or touch diners on the shoulder also net more cash, men tip more than women if the server is female, women tip more than men if the server is male, and blacks tip less than whites, although the racial variance declines among blacks who dine out

more frequently.

Other studies show that people tip more if their check arrives on a tray decorated with a credit card logo. Writing "thank you" on the check also increases tips, as does bringing a piece of candy with the check — or, even better, two pieces.

And then there's the smiley-face factor.

It turns out that female servers who draw a happy face on the back of the check boost their tips, but male servers who do the same decrease their take.

Bill Marvin, a consultant known as the "Restaurant Doctor," says most people

don't reduce tips much for poor service, despite what they may say.

"If people truly tipped honestly, waiters would get a lot better feedback," he said. Instead, he said, diners "tip 15 to 20 percent for terrible service and then never come back."

Last month, the Supreme Court gave the Internal Revenue Service the OK to use estimates to catch — and tax — unreported restaurant tipping.

Part social grace, part business transaction, tipping seems to inspire endless head-scratching and not just over the calculations scribbled on a napkin.

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Found guilty of murder



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Twenty-year-old gang member Samuel Sharad Shabazz, right, was convicted on Wednesday of killing former Los Angeles Police Chief Bernard Parks' granddaughter, Lori Gonzalez. Shabazz, seen here looking back at the gallery before the verdicts were read in Superior Court in Los Angeles, also was found guilty of attempted murder in the shootings of eight people, including a man who was in the car with Gonzalez when she was shot. He was acquitted of one count of attempted murder. At left is Shabazz' attorney, Robin Yanes.

Road trip vacations help rev up tourism industry

BY GARY GENTILE
AP Business Writer

LOS ANGELES — Deborah Dallinger's hassles as she navigated security checks on her recent European vacation persuaded her to stick closer to home this summer.

"It's one thing to spend 10 hours on a plane to France, but it's another to spend four hours at the airport," the 52-year-old Walnut Creek resident said. "When I go on vacation, I just want it to be easy."

Dallinger will spend her remaining vacation driving to visit friends in Santa Barbara and staying at her favorite bed and breakfast in Inverness. Her experience is like that of many Americans who are flocking to state parks, beaches and the mountains while doing more driving and less flying.

Although tourism across the country this summer is expected to continue its gradual recovery from the devastating impact of the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks, people are traveling differently.

"More people are driving, and people have basically doubled the amount they are willing to drive to avoid the hassle of airports," said Ed McWilliams of D.K. Shifflet & Assoc. Ltd., which has polled 2,400 frequent travelers nationwide every week or so since last October.

The survey found that people are willing to drive as much as eight hours to avoid the hassles and delays prompted by heightened security at airports. That's twice as long as they were willing to drive before Sept. 11.

Analysts say tourism should be close to last summer's level, although not all sectors will recover equally. Hotels will see an uneven recovery as travelers spend more time visiting family members and campgrounds.

"The recovery has been driven by

leisure travelers," said Peter Yesawich, president of Yesawich, Pepperdine & Brown, a marketing services firm. "Business travel demand flatlined last November and has not recovered."

Vermont tourism officials are expecting bookings an inn and lodges to be on par with last year, while campgrounds reservations are running ahead of previous levels, a reflection of the trend toward more family travel.

"Traditionally at the state parks, when the economy is down a little, people pick a less expensive way of vacation," Larry Simino, director of state parks, said.

People are also choosing to spend their time off with loved ones. "Especially after last fall, people seem to be doing more family things," said Diane Konrady of the Vermont Department of Tourism and Marketing.

In California, campgrounds saw a 20 percent jump in reservations after Sept. 11, an indication that people who otherwise might have planned out-of-state trips had decided to stay close to home. Bed and breakfast inns in the state's wine country and other locales are also seeing an increase in guests.

In New York City, tourism officials are expecting hotel occupancy rates to be only 2 percent lower than last summer.

And in Orlando, Fla., theme parks expect robust attendance.

"The theme parks are doing better than last year and that says something after 9-11," said Bob Gault, president and CEO of Universal Orlando. "Groups that don't want to fly aren't hesitating about jumping in a car and driving. We're seeing a lot of drive traffic so far."

Some regions are facing more specific tourism challenges.

Arizona and Colorado officials have worried that tourists would stay away because of wildfires.

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Voting twice is suspected in 2000 presidential election

BY FRANK ELTMAN
Associated Press Writer

NEW YORK — More than 850 people are suspected of having voted in two different states in the 2000 presidential election, including 402 in both New York and Florida, officials said Wednesday.

A spokeswoman for the New York City Board of Elections confirmed that it is investigating the allegations of double-voting and has asked the Republican National Committee to provide any information it has.

RNC spokesman Kevin Sheridan said the committee is cooperating and is preparing a list of names it recorded as voting twice to hand over to city election officials.

Details of the investigation were first reported Wednesday in the New York Post.

Preliminary RNC research has uncovered 858 instances of people who appeared to double vote in various combinations of 11 states; the New York-Florida combination was the largest with 402.

Theoretically, a person could file an absentee ballot in one state and cast a ballot at a polling place in another state. It is also possible a person might cross a state

line to vote a second time or cast a ballot in another person's name.

Sheridan said he did not have information on the party affiliation of those voting in two different states.

"We're not trying to turn this into a partisan issue," he said. "This was a natural outgrowth of our effort to update our voter files."

Democratic National Committee spokeswoman Maria Cardona said the party is not involved with the double-vote probe.

"The Republicans have spent so much time this year trying to distract from the real issue, which is election reform," Cardona said.

Sheridan said RNC records have now found that there are 140,000 people in 11 states who are registered to vote in two different places. In many instances, the voters live in a northern state and own a vacation home in the South.

Double-voting in New York is a felony punishable by up to a year or more in jail.

The other states still being studied by the RNC are Arizona, Connecticut, Massachusetts, New Jersey, New Mexico, North Carolina, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island and South Carolina.

Settlement reached over federal voter rights lawsuit

By The Associated Press

MIAMI — A database that led to the wrongful removal of names from voter rolls in the 2000 election will be reprocessed to look for names that should be restored, under an agreement in a federal voting rights lawsuit.

The agreement reached Tuesday could restore hundreds of names to Florida's voter rolls, and it would be the first time since the disputed 2000 election that the central voter files would be corrected for errors, attorneys said.

The deal must be approved by U.S. District Judge Alan Gold.

The NAACP and four other civil rights groups sued Florida, several counties and the processing company ChoicePoint about problems that they claim disenfranchised voters.

President Bush beat Al Gore in Florida by just 537 votes, giving him the presidency.

ChoicePoint bought DBT, the company that was awarded a \$4.2 million state contract to compile a list of felons and dead people who should be purged from the voter rolls.

ChoicePoint spokesman James Lee said that list was compiled according to state requirements. About 58,000 names were sent to all 67 county elections supervisors, who were responsible for deciding whether to purge the names from the voter rolls.

Under Tuesday's agreement, ChoicePoint will recheck voter lists using stricter identification criteria those applied before the election, requiring a match of first and last name, Social Security number, race, gender and date of birth.

Glacier turns fjord into a lake

By The Associated Press

JUNEAU, Alaska — Russell Fiord in is now a lake as the gap between the advancing Hubbard Glacier and land narrowed to less than 50 feet.

The glacier's march in Southeast Alaska has constricted the amount of water flowing out of the fjord-turned-lake. While water continues to gush from a narrow channel, more water is flowing into the lake than out to the sea, according to agencies monitoring the glacier's movement.

The lake's level has risen about a half-foot a day since June 24, according to recordings from a U.S. Geological Survey gauging station.

"Essentially, it's a lake with an outlet," said Faith Duncan, an information officer with the U.S. Forest Service.

Flights over the area Friday showed the gap between the glacier and Gilbert Point, the nearest point of land, at less than 50

feet. The gap was about 150 feet in mid-June. Russell Lake is about 39 miles long.

"We'd hesitate to say it's completely closed because there is an outlet for water," said Jacqueline Lott, a ranger with Wrangell-St. Elias National Park and Preserve. "Whether or not it's going to be able to handle the volume of water necessary is something we're going to have to watch because the water level is rising."

Hubbard Glacier, about 35 miles from Yakutat at the northern end of Alaska's Panhandle, has been advancing since the mid-1890s. The tidewater glacier blocked the entrance to Russell Fiord for more than four months in 1986 before an ice dam broke and water flushed into Disenchantment Bay.

If an ice dam holds, scientists believe a rising Russell Lake eventually would spill over into the Situk River drainage to the south and alter Yakutat's subsistence, sport and commercial fisheries.

NATIONAL



Taking a closer look at arsonists in the firefighting ranks

BY NICHOLAS K. GERANIOS

Associated Press Writer

SPOKANE, Wash. — For firefighting crews, it is an inexplicable fact of life: Some of the wildfires that blacken the nation's forests and destroy people's homes are set by colleagues hoping to cash in.

It apparently doesn't happen often. But now that two firefighters have been accused of setting two of the most devastating wildfires in recent memory, arson in the ranks is getting another look.

"It's the fire community's dirtiest little secret," said Timothy Ingalsbee, director of the Western Fire Ecology Center in Eugene, Ore.

In the past decade, there have been an average of 116,000 wildfires per year, 102,000 of them caused by humans, according to federal statistics. Many of the human-caused fires are accidental, but Ingalsbee estimates that about one-quarter — more than 25,000 — are caused by arson and another 25,000 might be.

"We usually only hear of the very worst and blatant incidents, where people are caught red-handed or confess," he said.

Richard Mangan, a retired Forest Service fire administrator in Missoula, Mont., estimated that no more than 10 to 20 wildfires per year are deliberately started by firefighters.

That it happens at all is difficult for many to understand and it isn't just a rural problem. Last year alone, a volunteer firefighter trainee was sentenced life in prison for setting a fire near Pittsburgh that killed a family of three, and eight volunteer firefighters in Virginia were arrested for allegedly setting fires because they were bored.

Two years ago, a former Forest Service fire safety worker was sentenced to three years in prison for setting fires in the Oregon woods. Authorities said she wanted to earn overtime pay fighting the flames.

Prosecutors say economic motivation is also behind the largest wildfire in Arizona history. Part-time firefighter Leonard Gregg, a 29-year-old resident of the economically depressed Fort Apache Indian Reservation, allegedly set fire to dry grass last month in hopes of earning \$8 an hour as part of a fire crew.

The fire merged with another blaze and raced across more than 465,000 acres. The fire has destroyed at least 423 homes, devastated the economy of the reservation

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— TIMOTHY INGALSBBE
Western Fire Ecology Center director

and was still not fully contained Wednesday.

In Colorado, Forest Service employee Terry Barton is charged with arson for allegedly starting a 137,000-acre fire — the largest in state history — that destroyed more than 130 homes. Authorities have not offered a motive in her case.

Mangan suggested another possible motive for firefighter arsonists.

"It's not economic, but the hero image they want to get," he said.

Forest Service spokesman Joe Walsh declined to comment on the two cases but said fires set by firefighters don't happen often.

The U.S. Fire Administration, a branch of the Federal Emergency Management Agency, does not study the issue, but executive officer Marko Bourne also said wildfire arson by firefighters is not widespread.

"But like any profession we occasionally have a bad apple in the barrel," Bourne said.

Experts also suggest that firefighters aren't the only ones with economic incentive to set wildfires.

Ingalsbee said federal policy changes over the past generation has privatized the firefighting support network — the water tankers, planes, food and other services used by crews nationwide — creating fire entrepreneurs whose livelihood depends on flame.

It is a big business: The federal government spent \$1.3 billion fighting wildfires in 2000 after media images of flaming trees spurred public demands for aggressive suppression efforts.

Many of the entrepreneurs are loggers who lost their jobs because of environmental protections and became free-lance firefighters, Ingalsbee said. Environmental groups also say Forest Service policies allow the logging of charred timber in areas that were off-limits before they burned.

"There is a huge economic incentive to commit arson," Ingalsbee said.

There were similar economic incentives during the Depression, when there was an epidemic of wildfires caused by desperate people seeking a paycheck, Ingalsbee said.

Because of that, the government developed a small army of professional firefighters and prohibited local residents from fighting fires in their own areas. But that policy was reversed in the 1980s and federal agencies were encouraged to use the closest available firefighters and hire private equipment, Ingalsbee said.

"They are not paid unless they go out on a fire," he said. "This will continue until that policy is changed."

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Taking extra precautions



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New York National Guardsman, Cpl. John Lombardi, of Staten Island, center, and Sgt. Luke Chiarenza, of Saratoga, N.Y., right, keep watch over the Long Island Railroad waiting area at Penn Station on Wednesday in New York. Two senior U.S. officials, speaking Wednesday on condition of anonymity, said U.S. intelligence is picking up more talk about an attack on or about July 4, but there is still nothing specific or corroborated.

Investigation targets Ecstasy drug use on Marine base

BY ESTES THOMPSON
Associated Press Writer

CAMP LEJEUNE, N.C. — Tipped two years ago that Marines were using and selling the club drug Ecstasy, investigators opened what became the largest military-drug probe in recent years and arrested dozens of service personnel on the corps' biggest East Coast base.

Authorities seized \$1.4 million worth of illegal drugs, including 31,000 tablets of Ecstasy, 13,000 doses of LSD, 56 ounces of the "date rape" drug GHB, 4,783 grams of cocaine and 405 units of steroids.

Investigators said Wednesday that 84 Marines and sailors were charged and 82 have been convicted in military courts. That included 61 people accused of distributing Ecstasy and 23 accused of using it. None of those arrested was an officer.

Those convicted will be dishonorably discharged at the end of their sentences, which range from three to 19 years, and will lose pay and veterans' benefits. Ninety-nine civilians also were charged and most of their cases are pending in state courts.

Drug investigations in the military aren't new, but the Camp Lejeune investigation was the first there to target Ecstasy, base spokesman Maj. Steve Cox said.

The people implicated represent the fringes of the Marine Corps, Cox said. Up to 60,000 active-duty personnel work at Camp Lejeune.

"It's not an epidemic by any means," he said. "From a Marine Corps perspective, we view drug use as a societal issue. We would be naive to think our Marines are not using drugs."

A so-called designer drug, Ecstasy is a hallucinogenic that increases heart rate and respiration.

Other drug investigations in the military have involved smaller numbers of people.

Thirty-eight cadets out of 4,300 at the Air Force Academy were implicated in drug scandal there in 2000. In 1996, five midshipmen at the U.S. Naval Academy in Annapolis, Md., were court-martialed and jailed on drug charges, and 15 others were expelled.

Slow response to 911 call may cost two officers their jobs

By The Associated Press

CHICAGO — Chicago's top lawman recommended that two officers lose their jobs over an allegedly slow response to a woman's repeated 911 calls just before she was slain.

Police Superintendent Terry Hillard said Tuesday that people who dial 911 expect "that help is on the way. And in this case, help was not on the way."

The officers, Donald E. Cornelious and Christopher Green, have said they were delayed at the station checking their equipment and then broke off en route to look for a suspect who had fled the woman's house.

According to authorities, Ronyale White repeatedly called 911 on May 3, saying her estranged husband had violated a protection order and was in her home.

It took the officers 16 minutes to drive two miles to the house, where they found the 31-year-old mother of three had been shot.

"There is no way to tell whether a more timely response would have saved Ronyale White's life," Hillard said. "But a timely response would have at least given her a fighting chance."

Hilliard's move trumped an earlier recommendation by the department's internal affairs division to suspend the officers for 15 days. The Chicago Police Board will determine the punishment.

SPORTS



Capriati loses to Mauresmo; Serena a win from No. 1

BY HOWARD FENDRICH

AP Tennis Writer

WIMBLEDON, England — Jennifer Capriati looked on at the big drops falling from the slate sky, eyed the chair umpire, and held up a palm as if to say, "Why are we out here?"

She went ahead and served. Double fault. Another double fault. Serve broken. Concentration cracked.

Out of sorts on a start-stop-start day of rain, her shoulder in pain, Capriati couldn't summon the resolve that helped her win three major titles in the last 1 1/2 years and lost 6-3, 6-2 to No. 9 Amelie Mauresmo in the Wimbledon quarterfinals Wednesday.

That snaps Capriati's tour-high run of six straight Grand Slam semifinals and sends Mauresmo to a final four encounter Thursday with French Open champion Serena Williams.

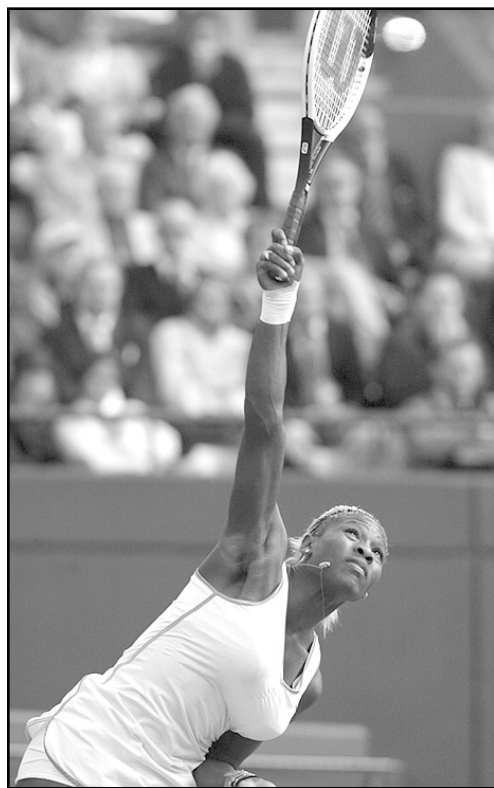
"Ten aces? For me, there's always room for improvement. Always. I haven't gotten anywhere close to my potential."

— SERENA WILLIAMS
Tennis pro

The No. 2-seeded Williams had 10 aces and 20 other unreturned serves in overwhelming No. 11 Daniela Hantuchova 6-3, 6-2 in another quarterfinal with no continuity thanks to rain delays.

"Ten aces?" Williams said excitedly, looking at a stat sheet. Then, in what could be construed as a warning, she added: "For me, there's always room for improvement. Always. I haven't gotten anywhere close to my potential."

If she wins her semifinal, Williams will



Ted S. Warren/Associated Press

Serena Williams serves to Slovakia's Daniela Hantuchova during their Women's Singles quarterfinal on the Number One Court at Wimbledon on Wednesday.

move up to No. 1 in the rankings for the first time, overtaking sister Venus — no matter what else happens in the tournament.

The other semifinal has Venus, the two-time defending champion, against No. 6 Justine Henin in a rematch of the 2001 final. They both won in straight sets Tuesday.

In the only other match finished Wednesday, 1996 champion Richard Krajicek completed a 6-7 (2), 7-6 (4), 6-7 (1), 7-6 (5), 6-4 victory over Mark Philippoussis to make the quarterfinals. They entered the day at two sets apiece, and Krajicek broke serve in the very first game Wednesday, just the third break of the match.

Tim Henman's quarterfinal against Andre Sa was halted because of rain after the Briton won the opening set 6-3. It will resume Thursday, when the other quarters start: No. 1 Lleyton Hewitt vs. No. 18 Sjeng Schalken, Krajicek vs. No. 27 Xavier Malisse, and No. 22 Nicolas Pietrangeli vs. No. 28 David Nalbandian.

If each Williams wins Thursday, they would meet in an all-in-the-family major final for the third time in 10 months.

For the first time in a while, Capriati won't stand in the way.

Her left shoulder and neck were massaged twice by a trainer during changeovers, and it hurt just to toss the ball for serves by late in the match. She thought the 55-degree weather and the interruptions might be to blame.

"I'm definitely not a 16-year-old body anymore," said Capriati, who's a decade older than that but normally is indefatigable.

She won last year's French Open final 12-10 in the third set, and erased a final-record four match points en route to capturing a second straight Australian Open in January.

Referring to the weather, she said: "Everyone's got to go through it. You just have to know that this is Wimbledon. It didn't help to be playing an opponent today that was playing the best she's played in a long, long time."

Mauresmo, who has a tattoo of an angel on her left shoulder, burst on the tennis scene by making the 1999 Australian Open final, but hadn't gone beyond the quarterfinals of a major since. She has played spectacularly at the All England Club, dropping just 21 games in her past four matches.

A key has been charging the net. The Frenchwoman, who turns 23 Friday, suddenly realized that while her groundstrokes pack plenty of power, chances of success on grass multiply greatly with effective volleying.

"I knew I shouldn't let her play her game, do what she likes to do, which is dictating," said Mauresmo, 1-3 against Capriati before Wednesday. "I took my chances, going forward, and it worked well."

Talk about understatement. She won the point on 22 of 25 trips to the net.

It might have been a career-boosting breakthrough for Mauresmo, whose left thigh was heavily bandaged.

"My mental was a little up and down. I'm trying to put things together so that I go very far in a Grand Slam tournament. The head has to be good," Mauresmo said. "It's experience, maturity, maybe, growing up, learning from what I did."

The day had the feel of a videotape being repeatedly played and paused. Nearly three hours after play was scheduled to start, Capriati and Mauresmo were told to warm up.

But as they hit the first practice strokes, rain returned, tarps were pulled out and



Dave Caulkin/Associated Press

Jennifer Capriati returns to France's Amelie Mauresmo during their Women's Singles quarterfinal on the Centre Court at Wimbledon on Wednesday.

the players sent away for nearly an hour.

When play did begin, Capriati and Mauresmo got just 18 minutes in. Heavy rain was falling when Capriati's consecutive double faults handed Mauresmo a 4-2 lead.

A 37-minute rain delay was followed by six minutes of action. Then came a delay of 19 minutes.

When they returned for the final time, Mauresmo broke the third-seeded Capriati's serve twice early in the second set to seal the outcome.

Plenty seemed to bother Capriati,

including Mauresmo's penchant for waiting until the last allowable moment to get back on court after a changeover. Capriati loves to get a rhythm going, and would bound to the baseline quickly after a break.

She also glared at the chair umpire after consecutive serves by Mauresmo were called out by line judges but turned into aces by the overrules in the fourth game of the second set. The calls helped Mauresmo hold serve at love to go up 3-1.

"At that point," Capriati said, "I just realized things weren't going my way."

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Suspected Al-Qaida member escapes from Yemeni prison

BY AHMED AL-HAJ
Associated Press Writer

ADEN, Yemen — A suspected Yemeni member of al-Qaida, arrested while trying to enter the country illegally, has escaped from prison, security officials said Wednesday.

The man, identified only by his first name, Walid, was arrested earlier this year in a desert area near the Oman-Yemen border and handed over to Yemeni authorities, the officials said on condition of anonymity.

They said the man, in his 30s, fled Afghanistan after fighting U.S. forces in the Tora Bora region in December, the officials said.

Authorities said they didn't know how he escaped from jail. He was transferred last month from a prison in the capital San'a to the southern port city of Aden, where several other al-Qaida suspects are being held.

Yemen says it is holding 85 people suspected of links to Osama bin Laden's al-Qaida network.

Yemen, the ancestral home of the bin Laden family, has been a hotbed of terrorist activity. In

October 2000, a dinghy loaded with explosives rammed the destroyer USS Cole as it was refueling in Aden, killing 17 U.S. sailors.

Two Australians allegedly involved in terrorism in Afghanistan could be held in a U.S. military prison in Cuba until the war on terror ends, a senior U.S. diplomat said in Australia on Wednesday.

"Until the war is over, I think that you have to be careful that you don't put people back on the street who might harm the society that you're trying to defend," said U.S. Ambassador Thomas Schieffer.

He said David Hicks and Mamdouh Habib were "pretty deeply involved in what was going on in Afghanistan. I am satisfied that they are involved in terrorism."

Hicks, 26, was brought by the U.S. military to Guantanamo Bay, Cuba since shortly after his capture in early December. More than 500 men captured in Afghanistan and Pakistan are being held at the base in Cuba.

The Australian government has accused Hicks of training

with al-Qaida while in Afghanistan.

His family has said the former cowboy from the southern Australian city of Adelaide converted to Islam and fought with the Taliban, but was never an al-Qaida terrorist.

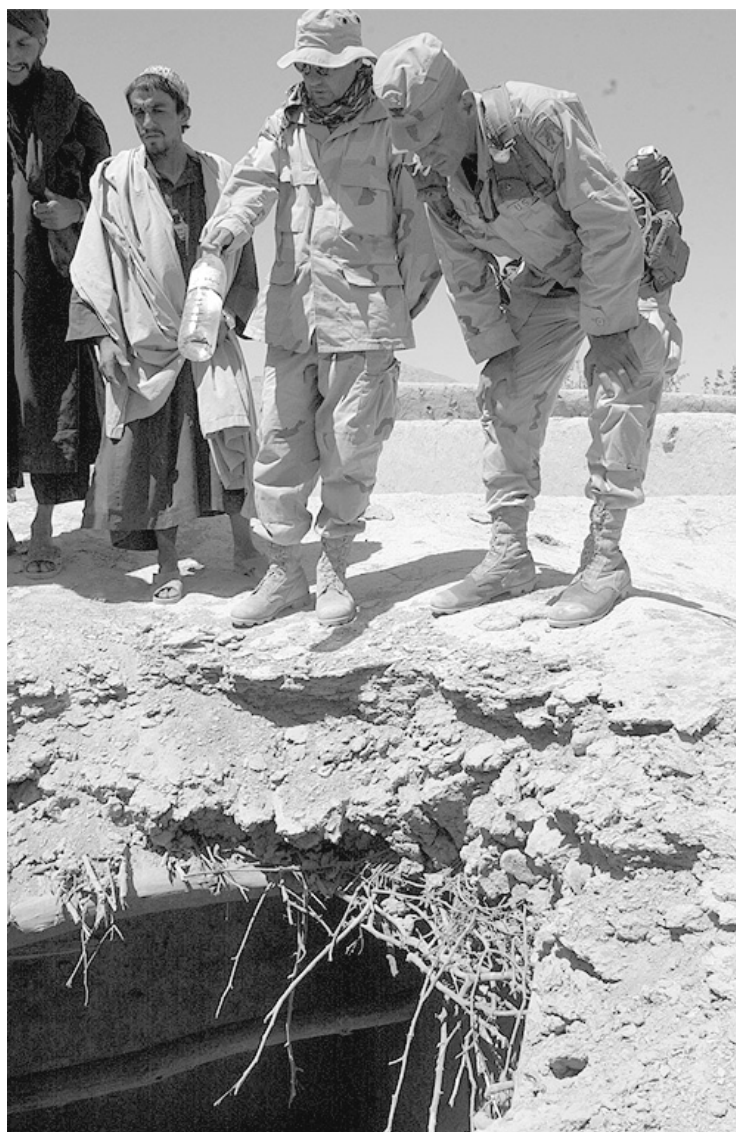
Habib, a 46-year-old father of four who holds Egyptian and Australian citizenship, was arrested in Pakistan in October. He was first transferred to Egyptian custody, then moved to Afghanistan where he was handed over to the U.S. military.

Habib's family in Sydney has denied he was involved with al-Qaida and said he was looking for an Islamic school for his children when he was arrested.

Australian officials have spoken to both men, but the two have not been allowed any legal representation or family visits.

Hicks' family lawyer Stephen Kenny called on the United States to either designate the men as prisoners of war or change them. The United States has said it would apply the Geneva Convention rights on prisoners of war to Taliban fighters but not to those working with al-Qaida.

Investigating the damage



Joseph Giordano/Associated Press
U.S. Army Col. Kass Saleh, leader of an investigation team, looks at a hole in the ceiling of a house in Kakarak, Afghanistan on Wednesday. Villagers say the hole was caused by a bomb Monday, killing 25 people celebrating a wedding party in the house. Afghan officials say 40 people were killed and about 100 wounded in a pre-dawn U.S. raid Monday on a half-dozen villages in Uruzgan province about 175 miles southwest of Kabul.

Argentine president calls for early presidential election

BY BILL CORMIER
Associated Press Writer

BUENOS AIRES, Argentina — Hours after winning international promises to find ways to help Argentina's crumbling economy, President Eduardo Duhalde called early presidential elections that he said were a necessary first step toward restoring order.

In a brief address Tuesday evening, Duhalde said he would hold elections for president and vice president in March 2003, six months earlier than planned. A primary would be called within 120 days, he said, meaning candidates would be chosen no later than December.

By moving up the vote, Duhalde sought to instill renewed international confidence in Argentina, still mired in its worst economic crisis ever.

"We will reinsert ourselves into the international community," Duhalde said in a five-minute address broadcast nationwide. "We are very close to concluding a long negotiation" with the International Monetary Fund, he added.

Earlier Tuesday, the IMF promised to send several teams to Buenos Aires to study support plans for the tottering economy. In Washington, IMF spokesman Thomas Dawson said the teams would be sent in the coming weeks.

IMF Managing Director Horst Koehler had predicted several weeks ago that a new loan for Argentina could be approved by the end of July.

Duhalde is lobbying the IMF for \$18 billion in credit to repay debt owed to multilateral lenders this year and next.

The IMF halted some \$22 billion in credits last December just before the Argentina crisis exploded into street riots that forced then-President Fernando de la Rúa to resign midway

through his four-year term. Twenty-nine people were killed in the riots.

After a period of political turmoil following De la Rúa's resignation, Congress appointed Duhalde to serve as caretaker president.

Aides said an early election would envision Duhalde leaving office in May, rather than December 2003 as originally planned.

It also appeared to satisfy some critics who argued that the

country now requires a speeded-up election timetable to find a leader with a popular mandate to guide Argentina out of its steep recession.

The country is wilting under 20 percent unemployment, a \$141 billion-dollar debt default and a more than 70 percent devaluation of its local currency against the dollar.

"Advancing the elections will

help the negotiations with the IMF because the Fund is requesting (a strengthening) of the country's institutions in the shortest time possible," said Manuel Mora y Araujo, an Argentine political analyst.

He said he expected the move would inject new confidence among foreign investors and lenders. "They are going to see uncertainties dispelled," he said.

Thai police arrest American wanted for murder

BY SUTIN WANNABOVORN
Associated Press Writer

BANGKOK, Thailand — Thai police raided a beachside condominium and arrested an American wanted for the highly publicized murder of his socialite wife in Atlanta 15 years ago, officials said Wednesday.

James Vincent Sullivan, who had been under police surveillance for weeks, was arrested Tuesday night in a condominium in the Cha-am beach resort, 100 miles south of Bangkok, said police Col. Somchai Yoklek.

He said Sullivan's arrest was requested by the FBI. Sullivan, 61, has been indicted in the United States on charges of hiring someone to kill his estranged wife, Lita McClinton Sullivan, in 1987.

News of the arrest was welcomed by the slain woman's father.

"We've waited a long time for this,"

Emory McClinton, the victim's father, told WSB-TV in Atlanta. He said, however, the arrest would force him and his wife to relive the sorrow of their daughter's murder. "We will have to go through the process again. We will have to resurrect all those memories and go through this trial."

Sullivan is being held in custody while the Foreign Ministry organizes extradition proceedings, police Maj. Gen. Surasit Sangkhaphong, the head of the Crime Suppression Division, told reporters.

Sullivan, who also has Irish citizenship, is listed on the FBI Web site as one of the agency's most wanted fugitives.

U.S. authorities claim Sullivan, a millionaire investor from Palm Beach County, Fla., paid someone \$25,000 to kill his wife to avoid losing property in a costly divorce.

The alleged hit man was arrested in April

1998 and is on trial in Atlanta for murder.

Soon after the killing, Sullivan is believed to have left Florida for Costa Rica, where he bought a second home, and fled Costa Rica after his indictment.

It is not clear when Sullivan arrived in Thailand, but he obtained a resident visa in 1998 and married a local woman. That year, the couple bought a unit in a hotel-condominium complex in Cha-am and had lived there since then, a police statement said.

The manager of the condo complex, Sompob Prasraki, said that Sullivan was feared by staffers at the complex for his short temper and mostly remained in the condominium.

Prosecutors in Georgia are seeking the death penalty for the alleged hit man, Phillip Anthony Harwood. They say that he took a box of pink roses to McClinton Sullivan's Atlanta town house and shot her in the head.

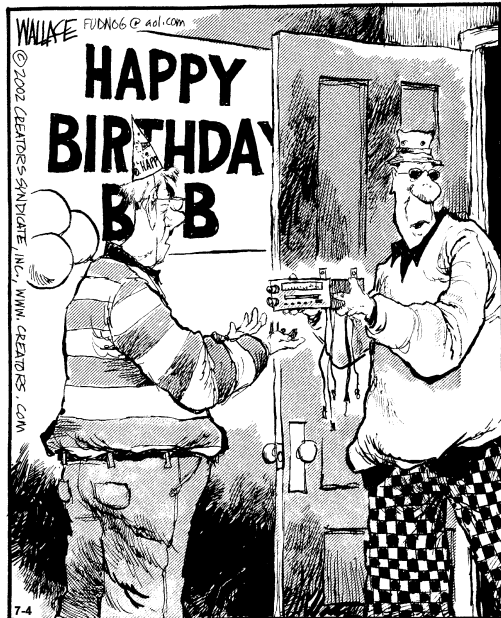
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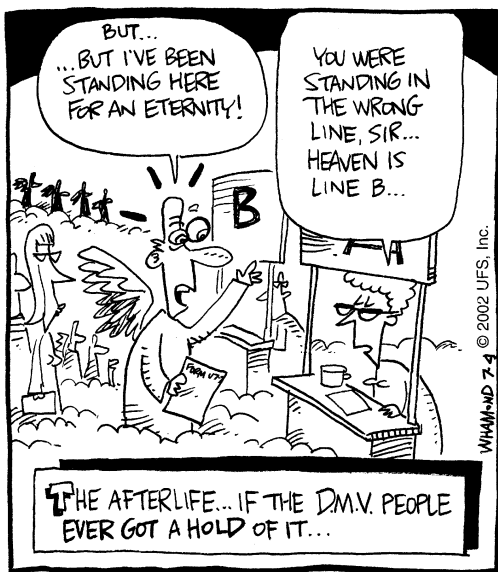
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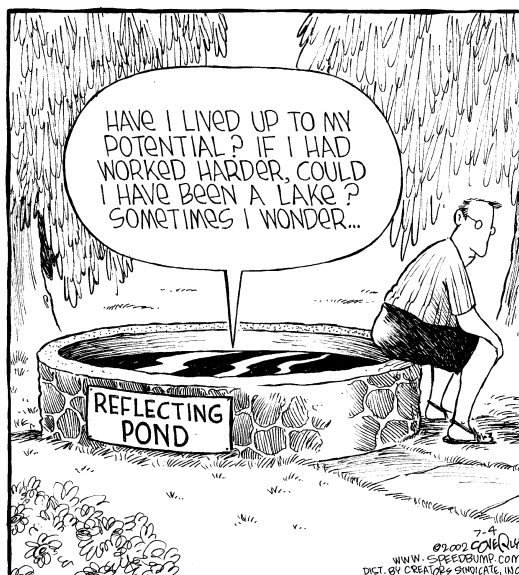
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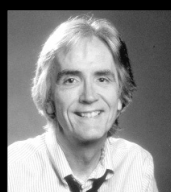
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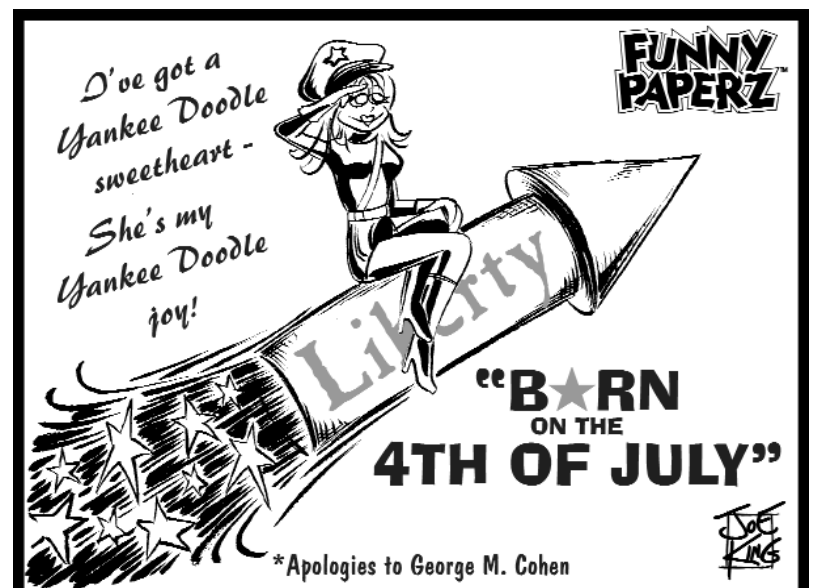


NEWS OF THE WEIRD

by Chuck Shepard

Florida boy faces court without a lawyer

In May, Tampa, Fla., judge Richard Nielsen, apparently impatient that a 16-year-old burglary convict had not acquired an attorney for his hearing on restitution to the victim, ordered the boy to proceed anyway, to call witnesses and introduce evidence, even though the boy did not know what "restitution" meant and thought at first that the prosecutor was there to help him. (Florida law requires attorneys for all juveniles.) A few minutes later, Nielsen ejected the boy's mother from the courtroom because she would not stop giving the boy advice. (Nielsen's behavior might not have come to light had not a St. Petersburg Times reporter happened into the courtroom by chance.)





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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.

Tommorrow Community

The Westside Walkers, 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 Westside Walkers meet Tuesdays and Thursdays, from 8 a.m. To 10 a.m., at Westside Pavilion, Pico Blvd. Between Overland Ave. and Westwood Blvd. In West LA. For more information about the program, call (800)516-5323.

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Entertainment

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. No drink minimum!

Komdey Krunch. 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.

Chicago Blues Man Andy Walo formerly with Junior Wells. Harvelle's, 1432 4th St., 3110-395-1676.

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.

O'Briens Irish Pub, 2941 Main St., Santa Monica, pours A Pint of Funny, every Thurs., 8 p.m. FREE! (310)396-4725.

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.

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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.santamonicaplayhouse.com.

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'Fugitive' t-shirt nabs fugitive

By The Associated Press

BREMEN, Ind. — The T-shirt said: "Fugitive, You never saw me." The man wearing it wished police hadn't.

Christopher J. Antus was arrested Monday during a routine traffic stop while sporting the bright orange shirt.

"Well, I guess you are going to have to come with me," state police Trooper Jerrod Patty said.

Antus asked why.

Patty pointed to the T-shirt: "Well, your shirt says you're a fugitive."

The trooper learned that the shirt Antus was wearing was no joke.

Antus, 24, was wanted on an arrest warrant charging him with failure to appear in court, a felony in northern Indiana's Marshall County.

Antus was jailed without bond Tuesday.

A marriage on the run

By The Associated Press

LEXINGTON, Ky. — A Kentucky couple has decided to forgo the traditional walk down the aisle for a sprint down Main Street.

Tim Bailey and Wendy Cegielski planned to get married Thursday at a downtown park during a short ceremony about 45 minutes into a 10k race.

The newlyweds — clad in modified nuptial attire — will then finish the 26th Bluegrass 10,000 arm-in-

arm before departing on their honeymoon — at a Costa Rican adventure camp.

"I always thought traditional weddings were stuffy and too expensive anyway," said Cegielski, 26, a high school teacher. "I wanted something I could remember."

Bailey, 44, is a teacher and cross-country coach who has run in every Bluegrass 10,000 — the last seven dressed as a superhero.

He competed as The Silver Surfer last year and has donned Captain America, Spider-Man and Space Ghost costumes in previous years. In fact, it's the costumes that led Cegielski to notice him.

"I saw this guy dressed up as Spider-Man, and I thought, 'Who is that crazy guy, and why is he dressed up?'" she said. "When I met him, I thought it was ironic that he was the guy I remembered."

"We started running together, and one thing led to another," Bailey said.

Man takes sons on robbery

By The Associated Press

SOUTH FORK, Pa. — A 29-year-old man is accused of bringing his two young sons along while he tried to steal a cash box from a neighbor's house.

Shawn E. Popish was charged with burglary, criminal trespass and corruption of minors.

Popish was seen June 25 trying to pilfer the box from the house, about 65 miles east of Pittsburgh, authorities said.

The homeowner, Robert Fresch, told authorities he

came home and found Popish's sons — ages 4 and 6 — waiting for their father, said borough police Officer Michael H. Popma.

Popish said he was stopping a burglary, not committing one.

"He said he observed an individual go into the house and he was trying to be a good neighbor," Popma told The Tribune-Democrat of Johnstown. "It's very unlikely."

Popish was jailed on \$25,000 bond. The boys were turned over to their mother.

Goat wears Earnhardt's number

By The Associated Press

DAYTONA BEACH, Fla. — A 4-month-old goat with a curious birthmark has fans of the late racing star Dale Earnhardt flocking to a north Florida farm.

The brown Nubian goat, named Lil' Dale, was born with a distinctive white three — Earnhardt's number — on her right side.

"It's weird," said her owner, Jerry Pierson. "I've seen people take pictures and get tears in their eyes."

"One woman said, 'Man, she gives me chills,'" Pierson said.

Although she was born on a meat and dairy farm in Interlachen, about 50 miles south of Jacksonville, Pierson says Lil' Dale likely has a career in advertising.

"How couldn't she be something to NASCAR or auto racing?" Pierson asked. "All you have to do is put an oilcan in front of her and it'll sell."

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