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NEWS OF THE WEIRD
by Chuck Shepard

Police in Scotia, N.Y., arrested Malinda Kelly in March on several charges but only after they had scurried around for several hours trying to find her "stolen" car and her 3-month-old son, who was inside. The next day, Kelly's story fell apart. Actually, said police, she had forgotten where she had left the car, which was idling, with the child inside, while she ran down the street to burglarize her uncle's home. (She came away with some money, but meanwhile lost her own money when a stranger took her purse from the idling car.)



QUOTE OF THE DAY

"Seriousness is the only refuge of the shallow."

— Oscar Wilde



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Judge to consider Doubletree complaint

BY JOHN WOOD

Daily Press Staff Writer

The National Labor Relations Board has decided that charges filed by a union against a local hotel have merit and will be addressed by a judge.

The charges — which were filed by the Hotel Employees and Restaurant Employees Union Local 11 in April — allege that managers from the Doubletree Guest Suites Hotel forbade employees from wearing buttons in support of organized labor.

An administrative judge is scheduled to try the case Aug. 11. Either side can then appeal the judge's ruling to the actual NLRB.

A June 30 complaint filed by the NLRB

"It's about being able to voice your opinion without fearing a reprisal."

— KURT PETERSEN

Organizing director, hotel employees union

accuses the hotel of "interfering with, restraining and coercing employees." If the hotel is found in violation, it will be required to retract the rule and post a notice to all employees that it is okay to wear the pins, said Laurel Spillane,

an NLRB spokeswoman.

The NLRB is an arm of the federal government that investigates labor law violations.

Problems began when Rafael Salmeron, the hotel's executive housekeeper, allegedly told employees in February and April that it was against the rules to wear union buttons, according to the complaint.

Kurt Petersen, organizing director for the Hotel Employees and Restaurant Employees Union Local 11, said Doubletree managers told employees to either remove the pins or clock out and go home.

"Basically they've threatened people with their jobs," he said. "It's not about the button,

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Ex-LA Raider arrested in Simply Sofas fire

Former defensive end Anthony Smith arrested, charged with arson

BY JOHN WOOD

Daily Press Staff Writer

A former LA/Oakland Raiders football player was arrested Tuesday for allegedly setting a fire at a Santa Monica furniture and antique shop that caused \$4 million in damage.

Anthony Wayne Smith, 36, of Marina del Rey, was charged with arson in connection with the Feb. 13 fire that gutted Simply Sofas, located on the 2300 block of Lincoln Boulevard.

Bail for Smith was set at \$1,000,000. Smith, a stand-out defensive end for eight seasons with the team, will be arraigned today at the Airport Courthouse near LAX.

Marilyn Nelson, owner of Simply Sofas, said Smith sold personal items, such as framed swords and marble obelisks, on consignment at her store for years. The items were worth anywhere from \$100 to several hundred dollars each.

The relationship between the two deteriorated earlier this year when Nelson asked Smith to retrieve several unsold items and pick up a check, Nelson said.

First, Smith refused to take the items. Next, he

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John Wood/Daily Press

A man walks past the charred remains of the Simply Sofas furniture and antique store located on the 2300 block of Lincoln Boulevard.

Felon accused in murder won't face death

BY PATRICK KINMARTIN

Special to the Daily Press

A convicted felon who is accused of killing a Santa Monica woman in 1998 will not face the death penalty, according to the Los Angeles District Attorney's Office.

David Thomas Wright, 48, pleaded innocent last week to one count of first degree murder in the killing of Aviva Labbe. Labbe, 20,

"(Wright) said it was impossible that he was linked physically to the murder."

— JOHN HENRY

Santa Monica Police detective

was found raped and murdered in a walkway next to an apartment building at 238 Hill Street on June 14, 1998.

There were no suspects in her

murder, which was classified as a "cold case," and it remained unsolved for nearly four years.

However, in 2002 a sampling of Wright's DNA linked him to the

murder through the U.S. Department of Justice's database system. Wright was registered in the system because he is serving a six-year sentence for battery of a Santa Monica police officer during an unrelated incident.

After he was identified as a suspect in Labbe's murder, a special panel within the DA's office decid-

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ARIES (March 21-April 19)

★★★★ You could feel weighed down by what lies ahead more than by what is happening at work. You could be quieter than usual, especially as you gain new insight into what is motivating you. Think and research, but lie low. Tonight: Get a good night's sleep.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

★★★★★ Communications could have a serious tone. A meeting might be a source of excitement or surprise. Incorporate the unexpected into your life. Others might not realize how challenging they are, but you enjoy this type of problem. Tonight: Lead the gang into Wednesday night's festivities.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

★★★★ You might need some downtime to deal with an impending situation at work. Although you thought you were sure about a certain matter, you discover that a lot goes down quite quickly. Be especially careful financially; establish limits. Tonight: Burn the midnight oil.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

★★★★★ You might want to take an overview. Not everything is as it seems. In fact, you could be shocked by the information that comes down your path. Rather than react, detach. Could you be overly serious? Loosen up. Tonight: As you like it.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

★★★★★ A partner gives you somewhat stunning news. Use your keen ability to adapt, and you'll move through this uproar with ease. Don't be hard on yourself. Schedule a long-overdue talk in the very near future. Clear the air. Tonight: With the closest person in your life.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

★★★★ Others have been acting in startling and unpredictable ways. You might want to revise your thinking about an important event. Be more forthright with a friend who has your best interests in mind. Tonight: The only answer is "yes."

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

★★★★★ Dig into work, accepting new facts and/or technology. Your ability to adapt and incorporate different types of knowledge makes or breaks you in this present period. Although you sometimes find it hard, flex anyway. A superior could be touchy. Tonight: Soak away stress.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

★★★★★ Your imagination heads you in a new direction. Tap into your creativity at work and/or in your personal life. You have a lot to add. If single, a new relationship might not be as stable as you'd like. Tonight: Be your frisky self. Don't think long-term with a relationship right now.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

★★★★ Home dominates your thoughts. Check out and investigate an investment; determine whether it's all that you think it is. Surprising news could come forward, shaking your stability, if you're not careful. Tonight: Togetherness is the theme.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

★★★★★ You have a way of getting through to others, though you could veer off the beaten path. Associates appreciate your ingenuity. A partner reflects a solemn mood. You need to open the door to talks. Tonight: Chat over dinner.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

★★★★ Deal with finances head-on, as much as you might be uncomfortable with what is going on. You could be a bit down with a work-related situation or just plain tired. Take better care of yourself. Schedule a checkup if need be. Tonight: Treating yourself doesn't have to be expensive.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

★★★★★ The Moon in your sign puts you in a position where the cards are in your hands. Resist a tendency to do the unexpected. Others cannot always deal with your newfound unpredictability. A child or loved one could be touchy. Tonight: Choose from your many invitations.

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LOCAL

COMMUNITY BRIEFS

Whole Foods to open Wilshire store today

By Daily Press staff

Whole Foods Market, the world's largest natural and organic supermarket, opens its doors in Santa Monica today.

The store, located at 2201 Wilshire Blvd., will celebrate its grand opening today beginning at 9 a.m. with city officials and community members hosting a bread-breaking ceremony. The first 300 customers will receive a free baguette during the opening ceremony. There will be food sampling and music all day.

On Friday, a kids' tile project party will be held for students from McKinley Elementary School who painted the tiles that will be permanently displayed at the market. The celebration, which will be held from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m., will include cake and ice cream for the kids.

Then on July 23, the market will donate 5 percent of the day's sales to Santa Monica-Malibu Education Foundation's "For The Arts ... For Every Child" program. Local artist Peter Tigler will help create a mural for customers to help paint and sign their names. The mural will be permanently displayed in the store.

The program's goal is to make the arts a consistent and reliable part of children's education through a unique funding opportunity. The goal of the program is to create a permanent endowment fund of \$15 million, which will support the arts in the Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District, including music, visual arts, dance and drama.

The foundation will administer the endowment, which will generate \$825,000 annually. The program will provide choral music teachers at every elementary school, visual arts and enhanced music programs at local middle schools and additional support drama and dance at the high schools.

Whole Foods features premium organic and natural foods, free of artificial additives and preservatives, along with a complete selection of health and body care products. Some of the offerings at the store include fresh seafood delivered six days a week, organic and free range poultry, more than 250 different artisan cheeses, an olive bar featuring varieties from around the world, dry-aged beef, extensive wine and beer selections including organic wines, ethnic cuisine, ready to eat foods, an in-store coffee roaster and much more.

Animal-assisted therapy group needs new shelter

By Daily Press staff

A locally-based animal-assisted therapy organization is looking for a new home. Create-A-Smile has been renting office and training space from a church in Santa Monica but the rent unexpectedly is being raised by 40 percent, which the organization can't afford.

A new facility with a minimum of 2,500 square feet is needed to avoid thousands of patients not receiving their therapeutic visits, Create-A-Smile officials say.

The organization provides therapy to more than 180 facilities and 27,000 patients in the Los Angeles area at no cost.

Create-A-Smile is the only organization in Southern California that provides training, testing, certification and placement of nationally recognized and insured animal-assisted therapy animals and volunteers since 1995. Registered therapy animals include dogs, cats, birds, hamsters, rabbits, miniature horses and other pets.

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OUTLOOK: A new, much stronger SW will hit Friday and build through the weekend. Nice, nice, nice.

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Three years ago, an effort to relocate Santa Monica's largest homeless services provider was thwarted by resident objections.

Now, officials at Ocean Park Community Center have announced plans to buy a building at the intersection of Cloverfield Boulevard and Michigan Avenue. If all goes according to plan, the \$5 million building would undergo a \$4 million renovation and be ready for use in one year once the escrow period ends in about three months.

OPCC — which has a \$7 million annual budget — currently rents space from the city in the Big Blue Bus building, located at 612 Colorado Ave. It must move because the bus operation needs more space.

OPCC officials said last week that they plan to meet with neighbors and include them in discussions about the property, where plans call for beds for 55 people and daytime services for as many as 250.

So this week Q-Line wants to know:

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OPINION

Rules governing class action lawsuits need changing



INCITES

By Ed Silverstein

I need a lawyer. A good one. No, make that a great one. In fact I need the greatest lawyer in the world. The reason? I'm going to file a class action against all the other lawyers in the world.

Well, maybe not all of them, but definitely the class-action lawyers. These are the lawyers that one Florida judge compared to "the squeegee guys who frequent major urban intersections and who run up to a stopped car, splash soapy water on its perfectly clean windshield and expect payment for the uninvited service of wiping it off."

Every U.S. citizen will be included in the class and we will be suing the lawyers for \$45,407,000,000,000.

Now, you may be wondering how I arrived at this figure. According to the American Tort Reform Association, lawsuits in 2000 resulted in a cost of \$1,200 for every adult and child. So I took the current population, about 290 million, multiplied that by \$1,200, then multiplied that total by 40, which is approximately half our normal life expectancy. Finally, figure about 3 percent a year for inflation and there you have it: forty five trillion, four hundred and seven billion dollars.

Now some of you might say that class actions protect us from big corrupt corpo-

rations. This is true. But with lawyers becoming increasingly predatory, the cure may be worse than the disease. Take a look at some recent cases.

Asbestos. Some companies concealed known facts about the danger of asbestos and they deserved to be punished, but litigation put at least 15 companies out of business so far. Several of them were totally innocent. Thousands of workers lost their jobs. Billions were paid to plaintiffs, many of whom were not, and might never be, sick. And recent research has shown that many of the dangers associated with asbestos were exaggerated and in some cases non-existent.

Breast Implants. Not a single legitimate study has ever show any correlation between silicone breast implant leakage and increases in connective tissue disease, yet lawyers using junk science extorted \$4 billion from Dow Chemicals and put them into chapter 11. Smaller companies closed their doors forever. And guess what? The FDA is again considering approval of silicon-filled breast implants.

And then the granddaddy of them all: tobacco litigation.

As everyone knows, a bunch of states sued the tobacco companies for increased health care costs associated with smoking. Ultimately the tobacco companies settled for about \$290 billion over 25 years. The first problem is that it's all based on a lie. Smokers use less health resources because they die younger.

I'm not a big fan of tobacco companies. They produce a deadly product, advertise to kids, boost the nicotine to make it more addictive, use methods that

misrepresent actual tar levels in low tar cigarettes and lied about it all under oath and in front of Congress. But does this settlement really punish them? The answer is no.

What they did was raise prices to cover the increased costs, so the only people really hurt were smokers... and of course the states bringing the suits.

True, these states are going to reap a huge windfall, but in fact they could just as easily have increased taxes on cigarettes, not only for the amount that they won, but the additional \$70 billion that will be shared by a small group of attorneys involved in the case.

And who are these lawyers? Well some of them had nothing to do with the litigation other than being a crony or big contributor to a state attorney general or other politician.

And if you think you're going to get rich by being a member of a class action, think again. A typical settlement will usually result in a coupon for a few dollars off the very product that resulted in the suit in the first place. And when Bank of Boston was sued for escrow overcharges, customers were awarded about \$10, but were charged \$90 in legal fees for an \$80 net loss.

What was really galling is that the loss for the plaintive resulted from their attorneys turning down the same offer two years prior because it would have paid them only \$500,000 rather than \$6 million in fees they ultimately received.

With war chests swollen by tobacco and other class action judgments, expect to see an increase in class action litigation. Plaintiff attorneys are already targeting paint companies, nursing homes, HMO's,

mold, not to mention fast food companies.

And because of the explosion in these suits we are being increasingly denied products and services. Playgrounds are being closed and Wendy's has even stopped selling hot chocolate in the United States. And don't be surprised if in the near future we are paying \$5 for a McDonald's hamburger and \$70 for a gallon of paint.

And have you tried to buy insurance lately?

Class action tort reform is imperative. Congress is currently considering a law that would require class actions to be filed in federal court, thus eliminating shopping for venues that are plaintiff friendly. Another needed change is to require individuals to 'opt in' to a class action rather than being automatically included.

There is one reform, however, that would maintain the protections against abusive and dishonest corporate practices and yet would effectively curtail frivolous and opportunistic suits and those motivated purely by personal gain. Simply exclude plaintiffs and lawyers from collecting on punitive awards. Rather, use punitive damages to fund programs to insure that abuses that lead to the suit do not occur in the future.

Or we could just sue all the lawyers in the world.

(Ed Silverstein is a freelance writer living in Santa Monica. Lawyers reading this column should be aware that opinions expressed in this column may not be those of the writer. Comments can be e-mailed to edsincites@aol.com.)

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LOCAL



Union complaint leads to hearing with judge

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it's about respecting people's opinions. It's about being able to voice your opinion without fearing a reprisal."

But Francois Khoury, general manager of the Doubletree, located at 1707 Fourth Street, said he doubts the charges will hold up. He said the vast majority of Doubletree workers do not want to be organized and accused the union of filing frivolous charges against the hotel and issuing slanted press releases.

"The union's motives are transparent as it requests neutrality — the union's code word for a one-way gag rule intended to prevent the employees from learning the facts," he said.

Khoury said this is the fourth time the union has filed this type of charge with no success to date.

Spillane said Tuesday the details of the other three cases were not immediately

available. But she said the board feels there is enough merit to try the hotel on the new charges.

Petersen said comparing the new complaint to the other charges in unfair. While the other charges were settled, this is the first time the matter will be heard by an administrative judge, he said.

"The company refuses to allow people to wear a button," he said. "And the difference this time is that the federal government is prosecuting them."

Union officials are pushing for organized labor at both the Doubletree and the Four Points Sheraton Hotel, 530 Pico Blvd. Currently, only two hotels are unionized — the Viceroy, which sits on city property at 1819 Ocean Ave., and the Fairmont Miramar, 101 Wilshire Blvd. A card-check election, where employees can cast their vote for or against a union over a series of months, is currently underway at Loew's Hotel, 1700 Ocean Ave.

Former NFL star charged with arson in store blaze

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claimed he lost the check and demanded a second one, she said. Smith also demanded she pay in full for an obelisk that was damaged by her workers when they picked it up and found it was not properly attached to its base, Nelson said.

Nelson said she was intimidated by the angry Smith, who had been calm and polite during previous interactions, and issued a second check to put the matter behind her.

"It made no sense," she said of Smith's outburst. "It still makes no sense."

Nelson said she heard nothing from Smith. But less than two weeks later, Simply Sofas was set on fire. Until one week ago, Nelson said she had no idea Smith was a suspect.

"It's been one hell of a last six months," she said Tuesday. "But I'm just so thankful they were actually able to find him. I was worried when they didn't (immediately) arrest him."

Investigators are not releasing any information on how the fire was set.

Santa Monica Police Department Lt. Frank Fabrega said the case is now in the hands of the LA County district attorney. The Santa Monica Arson Task Force, which is made up of police and fire workers, worked on the criminal investigation with the help of the LA Fire Department and its fire-trained K-9, "Buster."

Nelson, who is temporarily running the shop out of her Los Angeles home, said she plans to open a new store this fall on Olympic Boulevard in West LA. She said



John Wood/Daily Press

The inside of the Simply Sofas building shows only a shell remains.

she is eagerly looking forward to putting the matter behind her.

"We have been so adulterized by every Tom, Dick and Harry that wants to capitalize on this mess," she said. "It's been the most terrible experience."

Smith, a first-round draft pick from the University of Arizona in 1990, played for the NFL's LA/Oakland Raiders from 1991-97. During his pro career, Smith amassed 178 tackles and 58 sacks. The team moved from Los Angeles to Oakland in 1995.

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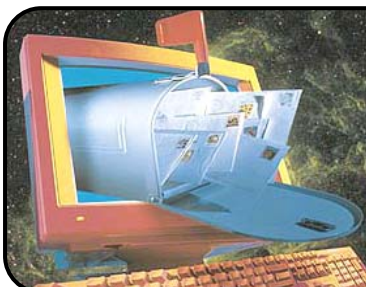
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Lawmakers clueless on how to solve budget crisis

By The Associated Press

SACRAMENTO— Senate President Pro Tem John Burton, D-San Francisco, said Monday that a much-anticipated Republican budget proposal weighs too heavily on the poor and elderly and will be rejected tomorrow, leaving lawmakers with no new ideas for solving the California budget crisis.

Burton said the list of more than 100 spending cuts aimed at trimming about \$2.7 billion in state spending would get no support from Democrats on the Senate floor when it comes up for debate Tuesday.

"Most of their budget cuts come at the expense of those who are least able to afford them — the aged, blind and disabled," Burton said. "We think that it's unfair that the poorest in our state bear the brunt of the economic downturn."

There had been some hope that the budget proposal from Senate Republicans might serve as the foundation for a possible agreement between the two sides because much of what was proposed had been drawn from other sources, including some first offered by Democratic Gov. Gray Davis either in January or with his revised budget plan in May.

But Burton said the GOP plan drew almost two-thirds of the savings from health and human services — something the Democrats will not support.

The state is now in the third week of the fiscal year without an approved spending plan and with no sense that an agreement is on the horizon.

DNA database identifies man in unsolved murder

MURDER, from page 1

ed July 8 that Wright will not get the death penalty if found guilty, said Jane Robison, a spokeswoman for the DA's office.

She wouldn't specify the criteria for the special panel, but she said that the panel reviews all death penalty cases and isn't required to provide reasons for its decisions.

Wright will appear in Los Angeles Superior Court on July 30.

Wright's DNA was found on a rectal swab taken from Labbe's body, according to forensic expert Brian Wraaxall, who testified during Wright's preliminary hearing in April.

Wright vehemently denied all allegations against him during a videotaped interview with Santa Monica Police Detective John Henry, the detective said while being cross-examined by Wright's public defender, Paul Golub.

"(Wright) told me it's a shame that someone would go so far just to have sex with someone else," Henry testified. "He said it was impossible that he was linked physically to the murder."

Golub asked Wraaxall if technology used to link DNA was prone to error. Wraaxall said there was a slight possibility of that.

LA County Medical Examiner Susan Selve testified that Labbe was likely strangled to death because her lungs were damaged and no skull fractures were found.

Labbe's body was found lying face down with a purse placed on her back. The purse contained, among other objects, a bottle of Jack Daniel's Whiskey, a pair of high-heeled shoes and a motel key.

The key was to a room at the Santa Monica Motel on Lincoln Boulevard where Labbe was living, according to testimony from Henry.

During his investigation, Henry said he spoke with Labbe's cousin, Leslie Tutnick, who at the time was Labbe's only local relative. Tutnick told Henry she was trying to help Labbe get through emotional distress. She also described Labbe as "someone desperately trying to get her act together," Henry testified.

Rev. Sandie Richards said Wright often hung out in front of her building, The Church at Ocean Park, according to

Henry's testimony. She said that he kept his belongings in a desk in front of the church building, which is across the street from where Labbe's body was found, Henry said.

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During the autopsy, LA County supervising criminalist Dan Anderson testified that he found a foreign object inside Labbe's body. Upon further investigation, Anderson discovered that a beeping pager had been lodged in Labbe's rectum. It is unknown whether or not the beeper is connected to Wright.

Henry also testified during the cross-examination that Richards depicted Wright as non-violent man who often drank but never gave her any trouble.

Wright's criminal background, however, indicates otherwise.

In 1990, he pleaded no contest to petty theft and three years later he was convicted of possessing a dagger and given probation.

In 1994, Wright was sentenced to two years in prison for assault with intent. In 1999, Wright was acquitted of possessing a deadly weapon. Last January, a jury found him guilty of battery, resisting arrest and failing to register himself as a sex offender.





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CALIFORNIA BRIEFS

Pesticide thieves prey on Ventura growers

By The Associated Press

VENTURA — Thieves preying on Ventura County growers have committed four large-scale heists of pesticides so far this year, including \$50,000 worth of chemicals from an Oxnard warehouse.

It wasn't clear if the thefts — more than \$150,000 in pesticides and fungicides — were related, according to authorities who said the chemicals were apparently taken for agricultural use.

"These have been planned out, well-organized strikes, no question about it. They knew exactly what they wanted," Agricultural Commissioner Earl McPhail said.

Sheriff's Deputy Don Jennings said the chemicals were likely trucked out of the county and perhaps even south of the U.S.-Mexican border.

Jennings wouldn't identify the chemicals taken but said most were being stored for use in strawberry fields.

"In all of these thefts, the burglars didn't take all of the chemicals that were there. They took specific chemicals, like somebody more or less had a shopping list. They were probably sold before they were stolen," the deputy said.

While agricultural theft in general is a mounting concern, agricultural officials say pesticide theft is particularly troubling because of the potential for misuse.

"Around here, we all take great pains to make sure what we're using is being applied properly," said grower Edgar Terry, president of the Ventura County Farm Bureau. "But God knows what could happen in other areas if (the stolen pesticides) were used by someone who just goes out and sprays willy-nilly."

Supervisor wants airport comment period extended

By The Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — Supervisor Don Knabe wants Mayor James K. Hahn to double the public comment period — from 45 days to 90 — on his \$9 billion modernization plan for Los Angeles International Airport.

Hahn set a 45-day period for filing of written comments on the 5,323-page environmental analysis of the plan unveiled last week. Hahn's proposal would enhance security by dramatically reconfiguring the airfield and building new airport entrances.

Knabe said Monday that he will ask fellow supervisors to support a motion urging Hahn to allow a 90-day public comment period so more people can comment. Additionally, he said, many people are on vacation during August when all nine public hearings are scheduled.

"I don't think an extra 45 days would hurt anything," Knabe said. "Otherwise it looks like they're trying to jam (the plan) down everyone's throat."

Hahn doesn't think a 90-day period is needed, the mayor's communications director Julie Wong said.

"It's not a matter of wanting to exclude public comment," Wong said. "In fact, that's why the airport is having so many public hearings."

Voters reject street maintenance tax

By The Associated Press

SANTA ANA — Property owners overwhelmingly rejected assessing themselves a fee to pay for graffiti removal and street, median and park maintenance.

Ballots, weighted by the value of the proposed assessment, showed 29.4 percent favored the assessment district and 70.6 percent opposed it, officials announced Monday. Only 36 percent of property owners participated in the mail-in balloting.

Ballots were mailed May 23 and had to be returned by July 7.

"We're surprised at how big a loss it is," City Manager David Ream said. "It is something we can understand, though. People are reluctant in these times with other taxes like the vehicle license fee going up."

Stuck with a \$3 million budget shortfall, the city wanted to annually assess homeowners \$33 and apartment owners \$24 per unit. Industrial property owners would have paid \$256 per acre and commercial property owners \$328.

The city spent \$275,000 to establish the balloting process and on three newsletters detailing the consequences if the measure did not pass. City officials also held public meetings and attended sessions with clubs and organizations to explain the measure.

Owner of killer pit bull pleads innocent

By The Associated Press

MURRIETA — A baby sitter whose pit bull killed a 2-year-old girl pleaded innocent to child endangerment and involuntary manslaughter.

Jackie Star Batey, 30, entered the pleas Monday through Deputy Public Defender Richard Blumenfeld. She was released on her own recognizance and didn't comment as she left the Southwest Justice Center.

If convicted, she faces up to six years in prison.

Batey was supervising Summer Clugston along with her four children and another child when the mauling occurred June 20, authorities said. The 2-year-old was attacked by the pit bull while she was playing in the front yard of Batey's home in Good Hope, near Perris.

Batey's son kicked the dog until it freed the girl, who was declared dead at Inland Valley Medical Center in Wildomar.

Prosecutors said there were reports of the pit bull's hostility and that Batey was aware of the dog's history. The animal was killed after the attack.



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STATE

Supreme Court reverses man's murder conviction

BY RON HARRIS
Associated Press Writer

SAN FRANCISCO — A young man's confession that led to his murder conviction was given involuntarily, in violation of his Miranda rights and should have been deemed inadmissible, the California Supreme Court ruled Monday.

Kenneth Ray Neal's two confessions to murder should have been prohibited because he was badgered by a detective from the Tulare County Sheriff's Office, the state's high court said, reversing Neal's conviction. His nine requests to speak with a lawyer prior to the confessions also were rebuffed.

The state Supreme Court ruled the 5th District Court of Appeal did not adequately take into account the officer's repeated and deliberate violation of the Miranda requirements. Neal, who was 18 at the time, was jailed overnight without food, water or a toilet until he gave a confession the next day.

The primary issue upon appeal was whether Neal's eventual confessions, given to the detective on the day following the initial interrogation, were made voluntarily. The Court of Appeals found that they were, but the state Supreme Court disagreed and said Neal "could easily assume that his right to counsel was illusory, that he would receive no legal help, and that he had no choice but to cooperate."

Neal confessed to Detective Mario Martin that he strangled Donald Collins, 69, with an electrical cord on April 3, 1999. The court said the confessions, made April 5, 1999, were the centerpiece of the state's case against Neal.

Collins was a child care worker when he originally befriended Neal at a boys' group home in Porterville. After Neal left the group home, Collins wired him money

to return to Tulare County and live with him in Springville.

Neal confessed to Martin that he became infuriated after Collins attempted to have sex with him after the two had been drinking. Neal said he rebuffed the unwelcome advance and that the two had also argued that day over which television program to watch.

As Collins sat in an easy chair on April 3, 1999, waiting for a couple cheeseburgers to cook, Neal confessed that he sneaked up behind him and strangled the older man with the cord cut from an electric griddle.

"I was just telling (Martin) anything he wanted to hear so he'd ... leave me alone," Neal testified.

Neal's lawyer, Victor Morse, said the state Supreme Court's reversal of the murder conviction sent a strong message to law enforcement officers who might try similar tactics, in an obvious violation of a suspect's Miranda rights to remain silent and to speak with a lawyer.

"The law permits an assertive interrogation by police officers, but police have to respect a suspect's invocation of his constitutional right to counsel in an interrogation," Morse said.

Calls placed to the California Attorney General's office and the Tulare County District Attorney's Office did not immediately return calls seeking comment.

Martin testified his interrogation tactics were a "useful tool" he had learned from a supervisor.

Neal, now 22, was convicted in 2000 of second-degree murder in Collins' death and is currently incarcerated at Calipatria State Prison serving a 15 years-to-life sentence. Monday's ruling sends his case back to Tulare County where the district attorney will decide whether to retry Neal. Calls to the office were not immediately returned.

War cards flying off shelves

BY KIM CURTIS
Associated Press Writer

SAN FRANCISCO — A high school teacher, fed up with the Bush administration's popular playing cards featuring Saddam Hussein, "Chemical Ali" and other most-wanted Iraqis, is now selling her own deck, "Operation Hidden Agenda."

Kathy Eder's 55 playing cards show pictures of President Bush, Defense Secretary Donald Rumsfeld and others along with quotes, mostly from journalists, questioning the rationale for the U.S.-led war. The backs feature a 1983 photograph of Rumsfeld shaking Sadaam Hussein's hand.

Eder said she first decided to create her own plastic-coated propaganda in March as a comeback to the "messages of hate" contained in the cards the Department of Defense issued to help U.S. troops identify suspected war criminals.

Her "Hidden Agenda" cards, are "not hateful. They're factual," she said.

In Eder's version, Bush is the ace of spades with the title, "Dictator of the World," and the ace of clubs depicts Rumsfeld above the caption, "Donald Goes to Bagdad" — with the Iraqi city misspelled. The jokers carry quotes from Mahatma Gandhi and Martin Luther King Jr.

Eder used free, public domain DOD

photographs (several of the same ones show up repeatedly) and collected the quotes from newspapers and magazines. She hired a designer willing to work for \$15 an hour and 5 percent of the profits. But only one of the about 30 publishers she contacted responded at all, and it said it couldn't get to the cards for at least a year.

"I knew this was something that had to happen immediately," said Eder, 42, who teaches social justice and morality at Bellarmine College Preparatory School in San Jose.

She decided to self-publish, but then couldn't find a printer willing to do the job.

Eventually, Texas-based Liberty Playing Cards, one of the companies that prints the government's "Most Wanted" cards, agreed.

Once the product became available online and at a few bookstores, Eder said she sold 3,000 decks in three weeks. She's already placed a second order for 5,000 decks.

At Bookshop Santa Cruz, people lined up outside the store the morning the cards went on sale, according to Don Gardner, who works at the store. With about half of the purchasers buying more than one deck, the store has sold about 1,100 copies of "Hidden Agenda," which "may be running neck-and-neck" with the latest Harry Potter book, Gardner said.

NATIONAL



Hurricane Claudette lashes beaches of Texas coast

BY MARK BABINECK

Associated Press Writer

PORT O'CONNOR, Texas — Hurricane Claudette roared onto the Texas Gulf Coast with whistling wind and heavy rain Tuesday, pounding the beaches with high waves and chasing some people to higher ground inland.

The storm's broad eye reached the shore late in the morning, surrounded by wind blowing at around 80 mph.

Three to 4 inches of rain had fallen in the Houston area, about 100 miles northeast of Port O'Connor and 45 miles inland. At Galveston, at the storm's northern edge, waves crashed over the 17-foot seawall that guards the city from the gulf.

No injuries had been reported.

Roofs were blown from some beachfront homes, traffic lights were toppled and palm trees bent in the wind. Electricity flickered.

"I wanted to board up the windows but I think it's too late for that," Rusty Clark said at Port Alto, about 15 miles north of Port O'Connor, as trees around his house bowed in the wind.

Port O'Connor and Palacios, midway between Houston and Corpus Christi, were in the direct path of the eye of the storm, the first hurricane of the Atlantic season.

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Port Alto resident

Port O'Connor, a village of vacation homes and shrimpers 110 miles southwest of Houston, is bordered by grazing land and rice fields. It was destroyed by a strong hurricane in 1919 and again by Category 4 Carla in 1961.

Claudette, upgraded from a tropical storm during the night, had maximum sustained wind blowing at 80 mph by late morning.

At noon EDT, the center of the hurricane was over Matagorda Bay, about 10 miles east-northeast of Port O'Connor, the National Hurricane Center said in Miami.

The entire Texas coastline was under some sort of advisory, with a hurricane warning stretching from Baffin Bay in South Texas to High Island east of Galveston toward the Louisiana line. Wind also lashed parts of the Louisiana coast, but a storm warning was lifted there at late morning.

Flooding from a storm surge 3 to 5 feet above normal tide levels also was likely in the warning area, along with 5 to 8 inches of rain.

Galveston County emergency management officials had urged residents of the west end of the Bolivar Peninsula to consider leaving in anticipation of the storm, since tides above 4 feet would cut off evacuation routes.

"We are a little bit more under the gun," Galveston Mayor Roger Quiroga said.

Major oil companies had evacuated hundreds of workers from drilling and production platforms in the Gulf and shut down oil and gas production as the storm approached and gathered strength.

Claudette developed Tuesday in the Caribbean, brushing Jamaica, the Cayman Islands and Mexico's Yucatan peninsula before entering the Gulf of Mexico.

The last hurricane to strike Texas was in 1999, when Bret slammed into a largely unpopulated stretch between Corpus Christi and Brownsville.

Annan urges Bush to help Liberia

By The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — U.N. Secretary-General Kofi Annan made his strongest pitch yet to President Bush for American peacekeeping troops in Liberia, but Bush is deferring his decision until he gathers more information.

Bush said Monday that any deployment of American troops to Liberia would be limited in size and duration and would depend on Liberian

President Charles Taylor stepping down and leaving the country.

Bush gave no indication he was close to a decision, and aides said they didn't expect one this week. He offered no hint of whether any U.S. contingent would comprise military advisers, humanitarian experts or soldiers.

The president commented after meeting at the White House with Annan, who appealed for help in bringing peace to Liberia.

Asked whether United Nations or U.S. involvement is necessary, Annan said, "I think for us to pacify Liberia, both will be necessary."

The president said he was awaiting reports from two teams he sent to assess the situation in Liberia, one reviewing the humanitarian needs there, the other the military situation.

"I think everybody understands, any commitment we have would be limited in size and limited in tenure," Bush said.

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WORLD BRIEFLY

China urges N. Korea to accept U.S. talks

By The Associated Press

SEOUL, South Korea — China's critical role in the nuclear standoff with North Korea was evident Tuesday, with a Chinese envoy reportedly urging the North's leader to accept U.S.-proposed talks aimed at resolving the crisis.

North Korean leader Kim Jong Il met an envoy of Chinese President Hu Jintao on Monday amid conflicting reports about whether Pyongyang has reprocessed spent nuclear fuel rods, a step toward making atomic bombs.

China's role is pivotal because it exerts considerable leverage over the North as a major source of food and fuel to its impoverished neighbor. At the same time, China is sharply critical of U.S. proposals for economic and political pressure on North Korea.

The New York Times said that North Korea told U.S. officials last week that it has produced enough plutonium to make a half-dozen nuclear bombs and intends to turn the material into weapons. But American intelligence agencies have little evidence to support the North's nuclear claim, the newspaper said in its Tuesday edition.

Palestinian kills man during peace efforts

By The Associated Press

JERUSALEM — A Palestinian attacker stabbed one man to death and wounded two others in Tel Aviv early Tuesday, the first terror attack in an Israeli city since a June 29 truce, while Palestinian leaders said they settled a rift that jeopardized peace efforts.

Palestinian Prime Minister Mahmoud Abbas had threatened to resign unless Yasser Arafat's Fatah movement gave its backing to his handling of contacts with Israel. The two met late Monday, and organizers said they settled their differences.

The United States and Israel are counting on Abbas to lead the Palestinians in peace efforts that would end 33 months of violence and create a Palestinian state by 2005 according to an internationally sponsored "road map."

The attack at the Tel Aviv restaurant came just a few hours after Arafat and Abbas met. After the meeting, but before the Tel Aviv incident, Abbas pledged to enforce the June 29 cease-fire agreed to by three main Palestinian groups. "Unfortunately there are some vio-

lations of the truce, and we will deal with them in accordance with the law," he said.

Davis supporters plan lawsuit

By The Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — Faced with a petition drive to oust Gov. Gray Davis that has netted twice the necessary signatures, supporters of the embattled executive are mulling a legal challenge, saying they have discovered widespread illegalities in the recall effort.

Lawyers for Taxpayers Against the Governor's Recall said they planned to file a lawsuit Tuesday to seek an injunction against the Republican-led process.

The pro-Davis group said the alleged improprieties included the use of signature gatherers who were not California residents and not registered to vote in the state.

The development came on the same day organizers of the recall drive turned in their last batch of petitions, saying they had collected 1.6 million signatures to get a recall on the ballot — almost double what they needed. Counties still must verify the signatures as valid.

Chris Wysocki, a spokesman for Rescue California Recall Gray Davis, said the signatures were carefully monitored and predicted any lawsuit challenging the recall would quickly be tossed out.

NAACP angry at Democrat no-shows

By The Associated Press

MIAMI BEACH, Fla. — Leaders of the NAACP denounced three Democratic presidential candidates who did not attend the group's forum and warned the party's office seekers that their support should not be taken for granted in next year's election.

The six presidential hopefuls who participated in Monday's forum shared the stage with four empty chairs, each labeled with the name of a White House candidate who did not attend. They were President Bush and Democrats Joe Lieberman, Dick Gephardt and Dennis Kucinich.

While Bush's absence wasn't a surprise — he hasn't attended NAACP conventions since taking office — the group's leaders were outraged at the Democratic no-shows.

"In essence, you now have become persona non grata," NAACP President Kweisi Mfume said of the

Democrats who passed on the event. "Your political capital is the equivalent of Confederate dollars."

Wildfire forces evacuation

By The Associated Press

WHITERIVER, Ariz. — Hundreds of people fled their homes around this eastern Arizona community as a wildfire raging on an Indian reservation nearly quadrupled in size, charring sacred sites and striking a severe blow to the White Mountain Apache Tribe's crucial timber industry.

The 5,800-acre fire on the Fort Apache Indian Reservation didn't destroy any homes or buildings, but authorities ordered evacuations for part of Whiteriver and several other communities, said Cam Hunter, spokeswoman for the state's Division of Emergency Management.

At least 700 homes and as many as 5,000 people were affected by the order. The fire also burned within two miles of a point that would trigger evacuations in Pinetop-Lakeside and nearby mountain communities about 20 miles to the north where the population swells to 30,000 in the summer.

Indians arrested for tax-free tobacco

By The Associated Press

CHARLESTOWN, R.I. — Eight members of the Narragansett Indian Tribe, including the tribal leader, were arrested Monday by state police in a tumultuous raid on the tribe's new tax-free tobacco shop.

Gov. Don Carcieri called the raid "truly regrettable, but clearly necessary." He maintains the tax-free shop is illegal, while tribal leaders say they would close it only if the governor dropped his opposition to a casino.

Carcieri said the troopers entered the reservation with a court-issued search warrant.

Chief Sachem Matthew Thomas and other tribal members were arrested as police entered the Narragansett Smoke Shop, which opened Saturday. Col. Steven Pare, superintendent of the Rhode Island State Police, said seven tribal members were released on personal recognizance, and one posted bail.

Pare said one person was injured during the raid, while tribal members said as many as 10 people complained of injuries.

A videotape by television station WJAR shows state police troopers forcibly opening the shop's doors. Several tribal members who resisted were wrestled to the ground and handcuffed.

Bush: Administration working to prove Iraq had weapons

BY TERENCE HUNT

AP White House Correspondent

WASHINGTON — President Bush, facing questions about his credibility, says the United States is working overtime to prove Saddam Hussein was developing weapons of mass destruction before the United States invaded Iraq.

"When it's all said and done," Bush said Monday, "the people of the United States and the world will realize that Saddam Hussein had a weapons program."

Bush has been on the defensive since the administration acknowledged it could not document his State of the Union claim in January that Iraq had been trying to buy uranium in Africa to develop nuclear weapons.

That claim was based on British intelligence that had been called into question by the CIA, and the agency's director, George Tenet, has accepted responsibility for not seeking removal of the statement from Bush's speech.

House Majority Leader Tom DeLay, R-Texas, dismissed the controversy as "incredibly overblown," and the result of Democratic presidential hopefuls vying for support in advance of their primaries.

"When you listen to the rhetoric, you start to wonder which side won. There is no margin of victory that could satisfy them. They didn't want to fight in the first place and they've spewed more rhetoric at President Bush than they ever did at Saddam Hussein," DeLay said Tuesday.

"They think if they just get a little bit angrier, and a little bit meaner and a little bit louder the American people will start hating the president as much as they do,"

he said.

DeLay said that Bush "didn't lie. He didn't mislead anybody. His statement was accurate." The majority leader also responded forcefully to a question of whether Tenet should depart the government. "Absolutely not," he said.

Sen. Bob Graham of Florida, a candidate for the Democratic presidential nomination, accused Bush of deception. "He deceived the American people by allowing into a State of the Union speech — at a critical point when he was making the case for war with Iraq — a statement that he either knew was wrong or should have known was wrong."

Sen. Edward M. Kennedy, D-Mass., appearing on NBC's "Today" show Tuesday, said "there is a broader issue, and that is the failed policy toward Iraq."

For his part, Bush said the United States was reviewing documents and interviewing Iraqis in an intensive effort to support the still unproven claim that Saddam had forbidden weapons.

The embarrassing episode about questionable intelligence forced the administration to concede it did not know the source of the British claims — and, in fact, was not trying to determine the source.

"We don't know if it's true but nobody — but nobody — can say it was wrong," White House press secretary Ari Fleischer said. "That is not known."

Administration officials said Bush's statement was technically correct since he was simply saying that British intelligence said something was true. In the Jan. 28 speech, Bush said, "The British government has learned that Saddam Hussein recently sought significant

quantities of uranium from Africa."

Anti-war advocacy groups launched a television advertising campaign accusing Bush of misleading Americans about Iraq's nuclear ambitions. The ad ends with the word "leader" superimposed on Bush's face, and then the word changes to "misleader."

Defending his administration, Bush said, "I think the intelligence I get is darn good intelligence. And the speeches I have given were backed by good intelligence."

The administration said the questionable intelligence claim was simply one piece in a long, documented list of evidence showing that Iraq was trying to acquire material for nuclear weapons.

Said Fleischer, "The fact of the matter is whether they sought it from Africa or didn't seek it from Africa doesn't change the fact that they were seeking to reconstitute a nuclear program."

The White House also drew a distinction between the way Bush handled intelligence claims about Iraq in a speech he gave in Cincinnati last October compared with his State of the Union address in January.

In October, acting on Tenet's suggestion, Bush excised a sentence about Iraq seeking a specific quantity of uranium from Niger, Fleischer said. Yet, several months later, Bush went ahead and raised the claim about seeking uranium in Africa.

Fleischer said it was an apples-and-oranges difference because the Cincinnati speech mentioned Niger while the State of the Union speech talked about all of Africa, and that there was different reporting from the CIA. "So it's an apple in Cincinnati and an orange in the State of the Union," he said. "The two do not compare that directly."

SPORTS

SPORTS IN BRIEF

By The Associated Press

CYCLING

■ **GAP, France** — Lance Armstrong kept his overall lead in the Tour de France despite driving into a field to avoid crashing into a main rival.

Joseba Beloki, who had been second overall behind Armstrong, broke his leg and is out of the race.

Armstrong finished fourth in the stage. Kazakh Alexandre Vinokourov won the 114.4-mile stage, and moved into second place overall. He trails Armstrong by 21 seconds with 11 stages to go.

Beloki hit the road hard when he slipped off his bike speeding around a bend on a rapid downhill descent with less than 5 miles to go. Armstrong was right behind and just missed plowing into the Spaniard.

To avoid Beloki, Armstrong rode into a field next to the road. He bumped across the sun-burnt grass, cutting off a hairpin bend. At the end of the field, he got off his bike, carried it to the road, got back on and sped off.

BASEBALL

■ **CHICAGO** — Roger Clemens replaced Barry Zito on the American League All-Star roster in a move that left the Oakland pitcher wondering why he was bumped off the team.

Zito said he found out about the switch while sitting with his All-Star teammates in a hotel ballroom, giving interviews. The commissioner's office said the decision was made by the Athletics, who said they told the left-hander on Sunday.

Clemens, who had returned to Houston on Sunday night from the New York Yankees' series in Toronto, was told of his ninth All-Star selection on Monday morning. He then made plans to jet to Chicago on Tuesday in time for the game.

■ **LOS ANGELES** — The Los Angeles Dodgers signed Rickey Henderson and acquired outfielder Jeromy Burnitz from the New York Mets.

Henderson, a 44-year-old future Hall of Famer, had been playing for the Newark Bears of the independent Atlantic League.

The Mets will receive three minor leaguers — infielder Victor Diaz and right-handed relievers Joselo Diaz and Kole Strayhorn. New York will also pay part of Burnitz's remaining salary this season.

■ **CHICAGO** — Anaheim's Garret Anderson won the All-Star Home Run Derby, beating St. Louis' Albert Pujols 9-8 in the final.

Anderson, who won the World Series last year with the Angels, became the second player from a defending champion to win the derby.

Tino Martinez, then with the New York Yankees, accomplished the feat in 1997.

BASKETBALL

■ **PHOENIX** — The Phoenix Suns signed top draft pick Zarko Cabarkapa to a three-year contract for \$3.94 million.

The 6-foot-11 forward from Serbia was the 17th overall selection last month in the NBA draft.

Although the team did not reveal financial terms of the deal, Cabarkapa was expected to receive the maximum allowed for a rookie. He will receive \$1.22 million next season, \$1.31 million the following year and \$1.4 million 2005-06. The contract includes a fourth year at the club's option.

■ **TUALATIN, Ore.** — High schooler Travis Outlaw signed his first NBA contract with the Portland Trail Blazers.

As the 23rd pick of the draft's first round, the 18-year-old Outlaw was eligible for a three-year deal worth \$2.5 million.

Outlaw, a 6-foot-9, 210-pound forward, was the second high school player chosen, behind No. 1 overall choice LeBron James.

COLLEGE BASKETBALL

■ **FORT COLLINS, Colo.** — Colorado State basketball coach Dale Layer signed a five-year contract after leading the Rams to the NCAA tournament last season and the Mountain West Conference championship.

The deal raises Layer's base salary to \$185,000, with incentives for postseason play, interim athletic director Christine Susemihl said.

■ **LOUISVILLE, Ky.** — Louisville reserve guard Bryant Northern was dismissed from the basketball team following his arrest on theft and forgery charges.

The 6-foot, 175-pound senior, admitted to police that he stole two blank checks from a home he was visiting and tried to cash them for more than \$3,000, according to arrest records.

HOCKEY

■ **DALLAS** — Longtime Boston Bruin Don Sweeney signed a one-year deal with the Dallas Stars.

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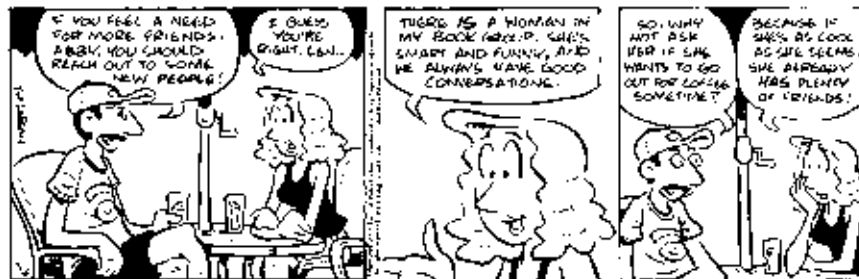
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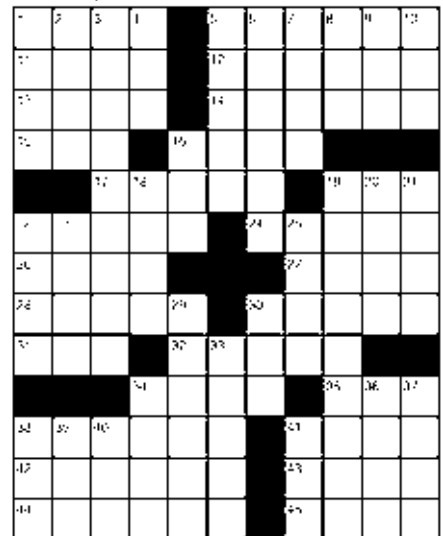
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Limbaugh to join ESPN's 'Sunday NFL Countdown'

By The Associated Press

■ **BRISTOL, Conn.** — Talk radio's Rush Limbaugh is headed to the NFL — joining ESPN's "Sunday NFL Countdown."

Hired to "provide the voice of the fan and to spark debate on the show," according to ESPN, Limbaugh makes his debut Sept. 4, the night of the NFL opener.

His "Rush Limbaugh Show" is heard in more than 650 markets worldwide, ESPN said in announcing the hiring Monday.

"Football is like life and I know life," Limbaugh said. "I am a big fan of the NFL and now I get to do what every football fan would love to do. I get to take my observations from the living room couch to the ESPN studios and talk football with the best journalists and players in the business."

Chris Berman hosts "Sunday NFL Countdown," along with former NFL players Steve Young, Tom Jackson and Michael Irvin. This also will be Irvin's first season with the show.

■ **LOS ANGELES** — Lawyers for an aerial photographer sued by Barbra Streisand for posting photographs of her Malibu estate on the Internet asked a judge to throw out the case, arguing the millionaire-environmentalist was attempting to document the coastline for preservation, not harass the star.

In her lawsuit filed May 20, Streisand accused Kenneth Adelman, a retired Silicon Valley software engineer, of violating her right to privacy.

Adelman says his California Coastal Records Project Web site provides the photographs for scientific and research purposes.

"They have presented no evidence he is stalking Streisand," Adelman's attorney, Richard Kendall, said Monday. "There is no evidence presented that Adelman even knew it was Streisand's house."

Kendall called the photos a matter of public interest and urged Los Angeles Superior Court Judge Allan Goodman to protect them as part of Adelman's free speech.

Streisand's lawyer said the photos violate her privacy because they reveal entrance points to her property and other details that can't be seen from a public vantage point.

Anyone with an Internet connection can now see the layout of her pool and the location of her windows, doors and balconies, Streisand alleged in the \$10 million lawsuit.

"The defendant would have the court believe that if you live near the coast, you give up the right to privacy," said lawyer John Gatti. "And in this case, there's someone with real safety concerns."

The hearing was expected to continue Wednesday.

Adelman's Web site contains more than 12,000 other aerial images. He and his wife, Gabrielle, use their personal helicopter and the latest computer and photographic equipment to take the pictures.

■ **LOS ANGELES** — The author of "The Exorcist" and the director of the 1973 movie of the same name have settled their lawsuit against Warner Bros., which claimed the studio shortchanged them.

Warner Bros. spokeswoman Barbara Brogliatti said Monday the case had been settled and all claims were dismissed, but the terms of the settlement wouldn't be disclosed.

The lawsuit, filed in May 2001, had been scheduled to go to trial this week.

William Peter Blatty, who wrote the novel and screenplay, and director William Friedkin, claimed Warner Bros. breached its fiduciary duty by self-dealing the rights for a newer version of the film, "The Exorcist — The Version You've Never Seen," released three years ago. They claim the studio would sell the rights to its sister cable television networks TNT and TBS for lit-

tle to no profit.

After the decision to reissue the film was made, Friedkin spent several months re-editing the original, adding 11 minutes of footage and tinkering with the sound, the lawsuit said. Both Friedkin and Blatty also gave hours of media interviews to promote the new version.

The reissued film grossed \$39.7 million in the United States and \$110 million worldwide, making it one of the most successful rereleases ever.

Under their original 1971 deal, Warner granted Blatty the right to 39 percent of the net profit of the film; Friedkin later was granted the right to 10 percent of the net profit.

■ **TUCSON, Ariz.** — Results of breath tests taken from pop singer Diana Ross can be used as evidence in her case, a judge has ruled.

Ross, 59, faces three drunken driving-related charges in Tucson City Court after being stopped by police on Dec. 30. She has pleaded innocent.

The trial is scheduled to begin Sept. 9.

Her lawyer, Stephen Paul Barnard, said he'll appeal the decision.

In June, Barnard sought to have the breath test results tossed out, arguing that police didn't have a search warrant and intimidated Ross.

Ross testified that although she took a breath test, she was coerced and felt intimidated when an officer asked her to take more tests later.

City Magistrate T. Jay Cranshaw, in a ruling filed July 8, denied the motion and cited a police videotape that shows that Ross doesn't appear to be scared.

Cranshaw said police interaction with the singer, also caught on tape, wasn't threatening.

Police said Ross had a blood alcohol concentration of 0.20 percent. The legal limit in Arizona is 0.08 percent.

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