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NEWS OF THE WEIRD
BY CHUCK SHEPARD

■ A 23-year-old woman and her 27-year-old companion were accidentally run over and killed, apparently while standing in a far left lane of Interstate 10, arguing (Ocean Springs, Miss., June).

■ A 46-year-old man, breaking through a bedroom window in the home of his estranged wife in violation of a restraining order, accidentally slashed an artery and bled to death (Milwaukee, June).

■ A 51-year-old man, trying to drive around a traffic jam on Interstate 10 as he was fleeing a gas station where he had just pumped \$60 worth of gas without paying, fatally struck another car (with only minor injuries to the other driver) (Welsh, La., June).

TODAY IN HISTORY

Today is the 213th day of 2006.
There are 152 days left in the year.

Forty years ago, on Aug. 1, 1966, 25-year-old Charles Joseph Whitman went on a shooting rampage at the University of Texas clock tower in Austin, killing 14 people with a high-powered rifle. Whitman, who had also murdered his wife and mother hours earlier, was gunned down by police.

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'Widows' face murder rap



GOLAY



RUTTERSCHMIDT

BY MICHAEL J. TITTINGER
Daily Press Staff Writer

DOWNTOWN LA — The macabre plot investigators believe was hatched by a pair of elderly women — one a Santa Monica landlord — began to take shape Monday, as mur-

der charges were filed against the so-called "Black Widows" in connection with the hit-and-run deaths of two men whom the women had allegedly befriended in a conspiracy to cash in on their life insurance policies.

The Los Angeles District Attorney's office has filed capital

murder charges against Helen Golay, 75, of Santa Monica, and Olga Rutterschmidt, 73, of Hollywood, accusing the alleged conspirators with concocting a deadly plot to set homeless men up in paid-for

See **BLACK WIDOWS**, page 6

It's typically hit or miss



Fabian Lewkowicz/Daily Press

Holden Miller, 13, a student at Crossroads School, practices his swing at the baseball fields in Memorial Park on Olympic Boulevard.

Merchants look for smoking gun

Irked by being left out of loop, business owners slam ban

BY KEVIN HERRERA
Daily Press Staff Writer

CITYWIDE — Scores of business owners were never contacted by City Hall as attorneys hammered out the details for a sweeping smoking ban that could dramatically affect the bottom line of restaurants, cafes and pubs. Members of the Montana Avenue and Main Street merchants associations and the Pico Improvement

Organization said they were caught off guard last week when the City Council asked in-house attorneys to draft the ban, which would make smoking nearly impossible in all commercial corridors in Santa Monica.

If the ban is approved in the coming months, smoking will no longer be permitted along the Third Street Promenade or at any of the farmers' markets. Smoking also will be prohibited in all outdoor dining and

services areas, and within 20 feet of any entrances or windows open to the public.

Smoking already is prohibited in the city's parks, beaches and on portions of the Pier. Violators can face fines of up to \$250.

"It's troubling to see that those who are providing advice to the council don't always touch base with

See **SMOKING BAN**, page 7

Beaches still miss the mark

BY MILOS BLAGOJEVIC
Special to the Daily Press

SM BEACH — It appears bay pollution is getting worse instead of better, despite clean water standards established three years ago.

A list of 10 beaches — including the beach at Santa Monica Pier and Will Rogers State Beach at Santa Monica Canyon — last week were

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ARIES (March 21-April 19)

★★★★ Work with one other person, and you'll get the results that you've dreamt about. Together you work as a team and can grapple with any problem that heads in your direction. Set off on making a dream a reality. No one is stopping you. Tonight: Your energy might seem endless.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

★★★★★ Someone clearly wants to play a bigger role in your life than he or she does right now. Make space for this person, even if at times he or she aggravates you. Listen to others and get past an immediate hassle. Try working as a team. Tonight: Go with the flow.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

★★★★ Easy does it, especially if you feel feisty or more easily aggravated than usual. Go out of your way to pitch in and help others. Listen to what someone shares. He or she might have a lot to say or do. Tonight: Fun and games.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

★★★★★ Talk to others and add more fun into your life. You could come off a lot stronger than you realize. Loosen up and enjoy your interactions. A deeply creative Moon Child emerges. Tonight: Hang out and enjoy a special friend.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

★★★★ Get down to basics. Listen to others and find out what is happening. You might need to spend a little in order to gain. Carefully listen to someone who really adds to your security. You might want to spend time close to home. Tonight: Happy at home.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

★★★★★ Your volatile or sometimes sarcastic self could emerge when you least expect it. This is true especially if you have not been expressing some strong feelings or feelings that you consider disagreeable or difficult. Tonight: Have a long-overdue talk.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

★★★ Your instincts lead you financially, but actually could cause a problem. You might be sitting on strong feelings. How you feel about someone you care for might not be logical. Take some thinking time. Tonight: Work through strong feelings.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

★★★★★ You aim for more of what you want. You have a strong drive and high energy. Think in terms of gains and positive changes. Listen to feedback from a fairly assertive friend. You innately know what is good for you. Tonight: Make what you want happen.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

★★★ Know when to pull back and think. Right now, a lot gets dropped on you. You could become irate, but it isn't worth it. You need to rethink a situation more carefully. Sometimes you really don't have workable ideas. Tonight: Get some extra R and R.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

★★★★★ If you take in the big picture, you'll get results. Sometimes even you get caught up in minuscule data. Emphasize people, friendships and getting more out of your life. You will love the results — promise. Tonight: Find your pals.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

★★★★ Take charge of a situation and get ahead of work. You can mobilize a partner to help you make a difference. Worry less about the immediate here-and-now. Others look up to you. Be aware that you are a role model. Tonight: A must appearance.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

★★★★★ Others encourage you to understand, though in some way or form, they are way too challenging for you. Don't trigger; walk in others' shoes. Your compassion makes a big difference; others will respond. Tonight: Let your imagination lead.

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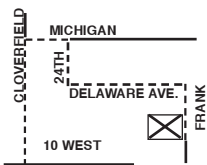
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COMMUNITY BRIEFS

Electrical repairs still impacting downtown

By Daily Press staff

Driving and parking in downtown Santa Monica will still require some maneuvering from motorists this week.

Southern California Edison, whose crews are still working to repair and replace high-voltage underground cables downtown following a vault explosion caused by circuit overload on July 22, has provided new information regarding some partial and full street closures during their work schedule:

Broadway: Continuing through Tuesday or Wednesday, the street will be closed to vehicles between Second and Fourth streets at all times so crews can complete initial repairs. It will then be re-opened to normal traffic flows, but steel plates will remain in place for an additional period of time and caution is advised.

Pedestrian access to businesses on Broadway will be maintained at all times. Even where the work crosses the sidewalk at the alley, the area will be coned off and pedestrians can make their way safely around it.

Second Street: Lanes are open to traffic at all times, but caution is needed because of steel plates on the roadway. Today, the street will be closed between Colorado Avenue and Broadway for approximately four hours so Edison crews can remove the plates. The street will then be reopened to normal traffic flows.

Santa Monica Boulevard: One lane in each direction — on the north side of the street — is open to traffic between Second and Fourth streets at all times. Parking is prohibited on the north side of the 200-300 blocks to accommodate traffic.

Second Court Alley: Closed to vehicles and pedestrians, between Santa Monica Boulevard and Broadway at all times until Sunday, Aug. 6, when it will be reopened for pedestrian access only. Edison work in the alley is anticipated to continue until Aug. 20.

Twilight Dance Series: Those planning to attend Thursday night's concert on the Santa Monica Pier are advised to head south on Fourth Street to Pico Boulevard, then west to the Civic Auditorium parking lot on Main Street or the beach lots west of Ocean Avenue. Parking at the Civic Center is free on Thursday, Aug. 3.

Downtown parking: For two to three days, vehicles will only be able to enter parking structure No. 7 (Santa Monica Place, at Fourth Street and Broadway) from Fourth Street.

The Santa Monica Police Department will provide traffic control officers to ensure the safety of repair crews, motorists and pedestrians in the construction zone.

For more information, call Edison at (800) 655-4555.

SMC professor leads Arctic art adventure

By Daily Press staff



DR. SIMON BALM

Thousands of miles from the sun and palm trees of Santa Monica, a local professor will be leading an adventure in a completely different environment.

Santa Monica College astronomy professor Dr. Simon Balm will be the scientific advisor on the creation of a large-scale art installation on the Antarctic Ice Shelf this December as part of a project funded by the National Science Foundation.

Balm will be working with artist Lita Albuquerque of Los Angeles on the installation, which will consist of approximately 100 blue spheres that will reflect a portion of the southern sky on the precise date of the Winter Solstice. Each sphere in the piece will be positioned to reflect a star's exact location in the sky and placed on the Ross Ice Shelf near McMurdo Sound, in front of the active volcano Mount Erebus.

The NSF's Artists and Writers Program recently made the decision to invite Albuquerque and her team to do the installation.

"This is an amazing opportunity to combine science and art in such a unique way," said Balm, who has previously conducted research at the South Pole three times.

As technical advisor, Balm will generate maps and coordinates, and drill holes in the ice for the placement of the spheres. For more information, visit www.stellaraxis.com.

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LONG RANGE SYNOPSIS

SW CONTINUES THIS WEEK...

SIZEABLE SW COMES IN THURSDAY...

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The Q-Line

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Chiming in and butting out ...

The City Council is expected to adopt in the coming weeks a far-reaching smoking ban that, for all intents and purposes, will render it illegal to light up just about anywhere outside of a residential street. By a 5-1 vote, elected leaders have chosen to make Santa Monica a national leader in efforts to remove smokers from all public places — parks, beaches, outdoor dining patios, Third Street Promenade, downtown sidewalks.

So this week, Q-Line wants to know:

Do you agree with the anti-smoking measures? Does the ban represent the wants and will of Santa Monica voters?

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Smoke signals of the Santa Monica to come

Editor:

Overheard on the Promenade in November, 2006:
 “Sorry sir, but I’ll have to cite you — it’s illegal to smoke on the Promenade.”
 “But officer, it’s marijuana.”
 “Oh, that’s different — I’m not allowed to notice that.”

Tom Larmore
 Santa Monica

Gas the pigeons while we’re at it

Editor:

In regards to the squirrel article (SMDP, July 21, page 1). What is this? The squirrel holocaust? For a state so into animal rights, this seems extreme.

You want to talk about a problem in Santa Monica? Let’s talk about the flying rats, otherwise known as pigeons. Once you vaccinate the female squirrels and they cannot reproduce, that squirrel population will die off. So obviously, City Hall is now trying to play God.

If they want to play God, they need to take care of the pigeon population.

Marissa Sims
 Santa Monica

A natural solution

Editor:

The problem you describe in the article about squirrels is a sad commentary on our times (SMDP, July 21, page 1). Many localities have too many wildlife; deer and Canada Geese are other animals that have adapted to living amongst us with their numbers causing problems. Unfortunately, the natural predators that kept populations under control have been killed off — by humans. Perhaps Santa Monica should look into increasing their raptor population. We read of peregrine falcons adopting cities with tall buildings as alternate habitat where they help keep pigeon population down. Perhaps some eagles and hawks could help to keep the Santa Monica squirrel population under control in a natural fashion.

Sue Coulson
 Woodbridge, Va.

Homeless problem a matter of economics

Editor:

Randy Walberger (SMDP, July 13, page 4) once again restates what has become a deplorable social condition in the United States. Americans have simply learned to tolerate the fact that innumerable numbers of their fellow citizens live in squalor on the streets of all large cities and in some rural areas. The anthropologist Kim Hopper has commented on this any number of times. Hopper has called it the case of people being forced to “live private lives in public spaces.” All human beings, everywhere, prefer to engage in certain activities in solitude, which includes urination, defecation and sex. For American homeless people, this is simply impossible. And it all boils down to the economics of poverty.

There is also the unavoidable issue of mental illness. Housing programs will certainly help to alleviate the lack of shelter (and solitude) for those who function at relatively high levels — “normies” as some people call them.

For the mentally ill, however, who also tend to be very poor people, many will only be reached and helped by outreach programs that actively, patiently and compassionately seek to engage them in the services they require, but frequently reject. This is a major medical and social work effort, which will require field workers and won’t be cheap. So we return to the issue of the economics of poverty.

Ms. Linnekins in her essay (SMDP, July 27, page 4) comments that other cities have developed some remarkably effective housing programs. Some of these programs also have mental health and medical outreach teams. The wheel need not be reinvented.

But they cost money. We’re back to economics.

Rick Reutter
 Santa Monica

Airport screening staff flies in face of security



WHAT’S THE POINT?

BY DAVID PISSARRA

My partner and I are on our first real vacation in two years. Well, sort of, we’re actually at SIGGRAPH in Boston. His movie is being shown, and he has a few interviews to do. I have few duties this week, so it’s a welcome break from the day-to-day madness known as our life.

Traveling these days by air involves being shuttled from one “security zone” to the next. One treks back and forth as various individuals who are sporting badges, demonstrating their authenticity as honest government officials asking inane questions and performing “tests” on our luggage. It all seems like some kid’s exercise or a work provision designed to keep the unemployable occupied.

The Department of Homeland Security personnel all appear to be hardworking people, until you look below the surface. At first blush, there are many of them operating the airport, checking bags for bombs, sharp objects and the ever-dangerous cigarette lighter or book of matches in a suitcase. They check our clothing, and make sure that we have photo identification — lest we forget who we are.

As the airlines have systematically cut jobs to try and stay in the air, they have increased the number of self-serve opportunities, which means that our airlines are fast becoming like those of other countries: no frills and no fun.

We can make our reservations online, check in by swiping a credit card, a boarding pass prints out, and the first time you interact with a human is when you need them to hand you the baggage sticker that goes on your checked bags. They don’t even put your bags on the conveyor belt to go to the plane, you have to carry them all the way to the west end of the terminal so they can be screened by the transportation safety agency.

The line for the bag screener goes fairly quickly, but then what would you expect when all they do is ask if you have any illegal items in your bag, then take the bag from you and put it on a conveyor belt? Granted, it does go through some machine that checks to make sure the electric toothbrush isn’t connected to dynamite.

Then there is the guy who randomly swabs some bags to check for biochemical weapons. Based on his lackluster speed of processing, I think he would have rather been at a Dodgers game than doing his job. Of course, the fact that there hundreds of

bags to process only means job security for him.

After you drop your bags at the scan station, you then have to walk to the east end of the terminal, go up an escalator so you can join a line of people who are waiting to be scanned at the west end of the terminal, right above where you dropped off your bags.

The body scan and carry-on scanners are so bored with their jobs that it shows in their faces. When we walked past the bag scanner, which I realize is fully automated and sounds an alarm when something suspicious is detected, the operator was chatting with one of his co-workers and not paying attention to the machine.

The body-scan people make us go through a ridiculous exercise of emptying our pockets and removing shoes, and it all seems absurdly designed to make us believe we are safer but without actually increasing safety. When the 16-year-old black girl traveling with her large family has to turn around and show the official the bottoms of her flip-flops, we’ve surpassed the lowest point of rational concern.

As I handed my boarding pass and drivers license to the checker, she didn’t even look me in the face to see if I matched the photo on my license. All this walking and checking and delaying seems to be pointless.

History has shown that terrorists are religious zealots, generally disaffected young men who have too much time on their hands and too little material goods to care about their life. Happy people are not terrorists. Healthy well-fed, materially rich people are not terrorists.

People who have hope of being financially better off than they were two weeks ago are not terrorists. This “war on terror” is not going to be won by making gay men who are going to computer conventions stand in lines and answer stupid questions, like “Has anyone put anything in your bags that you don’t know about?”

To win this war, we need real solutions to world poverty and the recognition that though not everyone can own a yacht, we can all have hope of owning one, and that is what stops a terrorist mindset from growing in a culture. Why do terrorists always come from poor countries? Because they have nothing to lose.

The battle for hearts and minds goes to the side that first feeds the people, then clothes them, and finally entertains them. Like the song says, we can bomb the world, but we cannot bomb it into peace.

(David Pissarra is a lawyer in the Santa Monica firm of Pissarra & Grist. He welcomes your questions and comments. He can be reached at dpissarra@pissarra.com or (310) 664-9969.)



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GUEST COMMENTARY BY ROBERT BERGER

Council's courage a breath of fresh air

The opinion expressed by the Santa Monica Daily Press "Smokescreen is insulting" (SMDP, July 28, page 4) takes an extremely narrow view on a 5-1 decision reached by City Council last Tuesday evening on expanding the city's current smoking ban. The council has indeed "done it again" as the SMDP asserts, but what they have done is to take a bold new step to further protect residents, workers and visitors from what we now know to be an even more alarming source of illness, death and family heartache than previously believed.

Conspicuously absent in the SMDP piece is any mention or repudiation of the landmark U.S. Surgeon General and California Air Resources Board (CARB) reports that prompted and support those actions. The June 2006 Surgeon General's report concluded, "there is no safe level of exposure to secondhand smoke.

Breathing even a little secondhand smoke can be harmful to your health." The report goes on to estimate that more than 50,000 Americans are killed each year from secondhand smoke.

The CARB was unanimous in declaring secondhand smoke a "toxic air contaminant" that is directly linked to lung disease, stroke, heart disease, sudden infant death syndrome, low infant birth weight and breast cancer among young women. The CARB monitored outdoor nicotine concentrations and found some of the results comparable to those found in smoker's homes. A Stanford study by Dr. Neil Klepeis, who spoke at Tuesday's meeting, concluded "short-term outdoor levels of exposure can exceed secondhand smoke levels measured inside cars and houses."

So smokers are not only (sadly) killing themselves, their habit is potentially killing

those that are subjected to their unfiltered secondhand smoke. Perhaps this is why over a dozen California cities, the states of Washington and tourist-dependant Hawaii, Sydney and Singapore have already banned smoking on dining patios and other outdoor areas. The vast majority of Californians — 86 percent — don't smoke, and they have the right to breathe air that is free of this poison.

There is wide support for smoke-free environments and the fears of potential lost revenue among business are unfounded. A 2005 California Department of Health Services survey showed that 93 percent prefer to eat at smoke-free restaurants. A 2004 Santa Monica survey showed support for smoke-free outdoor dining to be at 85 percent. Even Zagat's national restaurant survey reported that 89 percent of Americans thought smoking should be totally banned in restaurants. The

fear that business owners may lose business due to these types of bans is unfounded based on numerous economic studies that have been conducted after other tobacco policies were implemented in the past.

Given the enormous amount of data we now have on the adverse health impacts of secondhand smoke, it's ironic that the SMDP used the term "dead-on" in siding with Councilmember O'Connor's lone dissenting vote — she voted against smoke-free beaches and parks as well. It will take time, patience and cooperation to effectively communicate and implement the new measures, but at the end of the day we will have a Santa Monica that is healthier and more prosperous than ever.

(Robert Berger is president of Healthier Solutions, Inc., a Santa Monica-based advocacy group dedicated to promoting the rights of non-smokers.)

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Elderly landlord charged with conspiring to kill homeless men

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apartments and then collect on multiple insurance claims by posing as the deceased's relatives following their untimely deaths.

All told, the pair collected more than \$3 million in insurance pay-outs, according to a felony criminal complaint filed by the DA's office against the women, who allegedly made dozens of claims with a wide array of insurance companies after the deaths of Paul Vados and Kenneth McDavid.

Vados, 73, was killed in a hit-and-run collision on Nov. 8, 1999, while in an alley in the 300 block of North La Brea Avenue in Hollywood. McDavid, 50, was felled in similar fashion, run over in an alley in the 1200 block of Westwood Boulevard in Westwood on June 21, 2005.

Both Golay, who owns three apartment complexes in the Ocean Park neighborhood of Santa Monica, and Rutterschmidt were charged on Monday with two counts of capital murder and two counts of conspiracy to commit murder for financial gain. The pair have been behind bars since their arrests on May 16 on charges of insurance fraud.

"They're already facing a trial in federal court, so when they are transferred depends on the proceedings there," said Sandi Gibbons, a spokesperson for the DA's office. "There's already a trial set there, so when that's concluded the state can proceed."

According to Gibbons, an arrest warrant needs to be issued when a defendant is already being held in another jurisdiction, so that officers can "physically arrest them" again. A July 25 trial date on the fraud

charges was postponed until Oct. 24, while investigators continued their probe into the hit-and-run cases.

Deputy District Attorney Shellie Samuels, who is prosecuting the case, asked the court on Monday to hold both women without bail, standard for a capital murder case. The DA's office will not make a decision on whether to seek the death penalty against the defendants until the case moves closer to trial.

Last week, Golay's Santa Monica-based attorney, Roger Jon Diamond, reported having filed a new motion with U.S. District Judge Gary Klausner to have his client released on bail because she had been facing just federal fraud charges. Klausner had yet to schedule a hearing for the bail request.

It's widely expected that the federal fraud charges will be dropped now that state murder charges have been filed.

An upbeat Diamond likened the imminent dismissal of federal charges as a victory on Monday, when reached in his car while heading to San Diego for another federal trial.

"We're halfway there, the federal case was worthless," said Diamond, who added that authorities have little new evidence regarding one of the alleged murders. "There's nothing new here, it's rehashed in a state case. They just took off the federal wrapping and put on state wrapping. They're the same charges investigated by the LAPD in 2000 ...

"I'm confident this will all result in a dismissal or acquittal."

Rutterschmidt's attorney, deputy federal public defender Kim Savo, didn't return a call seeking comment on Monday.

Before an arraignment date for the mur-

der charges can be set, federal prosecutors would have to drop the fraud case and the women would have to be transferred to a state facility from the Metropolitan Detention Center in downtown Los Angeles where they are currently being held.

Diamond said he had met with Golay for an hour on Monday, leaving just before the charges were filed by the DA's office. Still, he said his client was prepared.

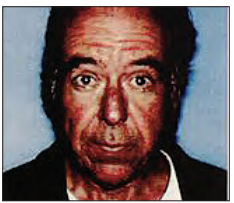
"Naturally, anyone has to be aware of potential charges, but she was in good spirits, very confident she will win," he said. "In the end, she's going to look back on all this as just an episode in her life ... basically, because she's not guilty."

Between December of 1999 and November 2000, according to the complaint, Golay and Rutterschmidt successfully cashed in on nearly \$600,000 worth of premium benefits from 13 insurance policies payable upon the death of Vados — whom Rutterschmidt claimed was a cousin. On Nov. 30, 1999 — 22 days after Vados' death — Rutterschmidt signed an order for release of the victim's body and had his remains buried in an unmarked grave.

More than five years later, the duo allegedly struck again, according to the criminal complaint, only that time they raised the stakes considerably. According to the DA's office, Golay and Rutterschmidt attempted to amass a collective \$7.24 million from 23 separate life insurance policies naming McDavid as the insured and themselves as the beneficiaries. That time, it was Golay who claimed to be a cousin of the deceased, seeing to it that McDavid's remains be



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immediately cremated.

In each instance, Golay and Rutterschmidt were said to have set up the victims in rent-free apartments — Vados at 861 Fedora St. in Los Angeles, McDavid at 1843 N. Cherokee Ave. in Hollywood. They paid the men's utilities and visited them regularly for roughly two years, according to the criminal complaint.

The scheme began to unravel between December 2005 and May of this year, when several of the insurers deemed the claims on McDavid to be suspicious and withheld payment, prompting Golay to challenge the companies and even threaten litigation, according to the criminal complaint.

The complaint also details the pair's purchase of a 1999 Mercury Sable station wagon under the name of Hilary Adler, with Golay allegedly storing the car in the alley behind her Ocean Park Boulevard apartment before it was used on June 21, 2005 to run over McDavid in a back alley. Just before midnight that same day, Golay called the Automobile Club of Southern California to request a tow truck for the disabled car, later abandoning it just five blocks from Rutterschmidt's Hollywood residence.

The investigation by LAPD detectives is ongoing.

Beaches still failing

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found to be in violation of the Clean Water Act by the Los Angeles County Department of Health Services environmental monitoring division and the Los Angeles County Sanitation District, according to Heal the Bay, a nonprofit organization.

The list is up from six in Heal the Bay's last report, and it now includes other popular spots like Cabrillo Beach and Topanga State Beach at Topanga Creek, which showed high levels of fecal bacteria in the water.

"This continues the trend of about 10 beaches that exceed the new beach bacteria standards in violation of the Clean Water Act," said Mark Gold, executive director of Heal the Bay. "While this is a relatively small number, we urge the coastal cities responsible and LA County to protect public health by immediately posting warning signs at the beaches, to come forward with plans to clean up these beaches and do everything possible to comply with the law as soon as possible."

The findings come three weeks after the Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board (RWQCB) was to vote on whether to require local cities and LA County to comply with new beach water quality standards every day during the summer months. The standards would have taken effect July 15.

But the RWQCB decided to postpone the vote, which is now scheduled for the board's meeting on Sept. 14. The decision could establish new stricter guidelines for surface water pollutants, including posing fines on cities that have contaminated water levels.

"We thought it was necessary to postpone it so we could address the procedural issues we needed to address," said Jonathan Bishop, regional director of the RWQCB. "I'm not especially unhappy about it myself."

"There was no good reason for us to move forward if we have procedural problems."

Meanwhile, Heal the Bay is pushing for

action before the Sept. 14 vote, including an open letter to Bishop on the organization's Web site asking the RWQCB to take immediate action to keep the beaches safe.

Other beaches Heal the Bay said were in violation of the Clean Water Act include Dockweiler State Beach at Imperial Highway; Redondo Beach Pier; Dockweiler State Beach at Ballona Creek; Marie Canyon at Puerco Beach in Malibu; Castlerock storm drain near Topanga Canyon and Las Tunas County Beach at Tuna Canyon.

It estimated that up to 1.5 million swimmers and surfers get gastrointestinal illnesses (stomach cramps, diarrhea and vomiting) from bacterial pollution at beaches on 100 miles of shoreline in LA and Orange counties.

The new standards, called Total Maximum Daily Loads, (TMDLs), require beach waters and discharges from storm drains to be free from unhealthy levels of fecal bacteria. They would apply to all Santa Monica Bay beaches from the Ventura County line south to Palos Verdes during dry weather, between April and October, when tens of millions of residents and visitors use the beach.

"No beaches during the summer dry weather should be exceeding any sort of bacteria," said James Alamillo, the beach report card manager for Heal the Bay.

In 1999, Heal the Bay, the Natural Resources Defense Council (NRDC) and Santa Monica Baykeeper went to court to fight for — and won — water quality pollution limits for in Los Angeles and Ventura County. The beach bacteria limits for Santa Monica Bay were established in 2003.

Many of Santa Monica Bay's beaches still have elevated bacteria levels. In order to be easily enforceable, the bacteria pollution limits need to be incorporated into the LA County Storm Water permit by the RWQCB, Heal the Bay officials said.

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Merchants wanted heads up about butting out

SMOKING BAN, from page 1

those affected parties first before taking action," said Charles Donaldson, a resident of Sunset Park and chairperson of the Pico merchants group, which stretches from the eastern end of the city to Ocean Front Walk. "Personally, I think this ban is like using an elephant gun to kill a mosquito. I don't think smoking is that much of an issue in Santa Monica. But the point is, we should have been consulted."

City officials said it is their policy to contact as many people as possible who will be impacted by an action taken by the council, however, total saturation is often impossible as the outreach relies heavily on word of mouth.

In regards to the smoking ban proposed, Deputy City Attorney Adam Radinsky said he held meetings with representatives of the Chamber of Commerce, Bayside District and Pier Restoration corporations, the Convention and Visitors Bureau, and the California Restaurant Association months before the ban was brought before the council for debate.

Radinsky said the Apartment Owners Association of Greater Los Angeles also was contacted to gauge what support, if any, existed for a ban on smoking in apartments and other housing where people are living in close quarters and exposed to secondhand smoke.

"We tried to cover the different areas of businesses and organizations that could be covered by the recommended (ordinance)," said Radinsky, who started the investigative process for the ban in February following a report by the California Air Resources Board that found secondhand smoke to be highly toxic.

"We felt we had a sampling of the kinds of organizations that might be covered," Radinsky said. "We certainly didn't mean to leave any organization out and we will be doing additional outreach in the coming weeks and months as we go through the next phase of the process."

Kathy Dodson, president of the chamber, said she met with Radinsky, at which time staff in her office sent out notices along with a survey to members.

However, there are many businesses which do not belong to the chamber that will be affected by the ban, and "the city should have contacted (them) at a minimum," Dodson said.

During last week's council meeting, only one restaurant owner showed up to speak out against the proposed ban. He was overwhelmingly outnumbered by supporters of a smoke-free Santa Monica.

Council members commented on the lack of opposition, which could have been caused by the lack of notification, Dodson said, or the fact that it was only a discussion item and not the first reading of an actual ordinance.

"That might have confused some people," Dodson said. "I can expect more input when this comes back to the council."

That does not necessarily mean more opposition to the ban. According to a survey conducted by the chamber, 61 percent of respondents said they favored a ban on smoking in outdoor dining areas. Sixty-three percent favored the 20-foot, non-smoking radius around building entrances.

Kathleen Rawson, executive director of Bayside, said it is hard to put out an advanced warning to members because City Council agendas are sometimes not available until a couple of days before the meeting. Rawson said the Bayside board did debate the ban in a public forum and there was an article about it in the organization's "Bayside Beat" publication. The Bayside board voted against the proposed ban, 7-1.

There have been complaints in the past that City Hall has kept residents, property owners and other interested community members in the dark about certain actions, but Dodson said communication has recently improved.

"Last year, I don't think they would have even bothered to come to us, so it's getting better," Dodson said. "But at the same time, this (ban) is going to affect a lot of businesses because it basically means no smoking at all in the major corridors like Wilshire and Santa Monica (boulevards)."

One such business is El Cholo, a popular Mexican restaurant on Wilshire Boulevard that has nine tables, or 40 seats, dedicated to outdoor dining where patrons are allowed to smoke. There also is a waiting area outside for tobacco enthusiasts.

"Do we want to push people out to the corner of Wilshire and 11th Street so they can smoke cigarettes and have the butts drop into the street and, in turn, have them going into the bay?" asked Dawn Schlegel, the restaurant's manager. "I like compromise and I think that smoking outdoors is a great thing for those who want to smoke when they go out to dine. We only had 40 seats compared to 300 inside (the restaurant), so we felt this was a good compromise. Taking that away would be detrimental to a lot of businesses."

Schlegel, a member of the chamber, said she received no notification of the ban.

Just because the chamber was notified doesn't mean other businesses will be, said Gary Gordon, executive director of the Main Street Merchants Association.

"We've spent years trying to correct this impression that if people in city departments are reaching out to the chamber, they are reaching out to Main Street," Gordon said. "We are two separate organizations ... There's certainly some overlap, but if you tell the chamber something, you haven't told us."

Main Street is expected to be hit especially hard given its eclectic collection of cafes, small restaurants and neighborhood bars, where patrons often smoke on patios or near the entrance of businesses.

At the Urth Caffe on Main Street, a business which was one of the first to prohibit smoking outdoors, co-founder Shalom Berkman said he didn't find out about the ban until an organization supporting it contacted him asking him to sign a letter of support. He refused.

"We believe in being a health-conscious model business, but we are 100 percent opposed to government ordinances banning smoking," Berkman said. "We really believe in American principals that people and businesses have the right to choose if they want customers to smoke or not. Americans should be able to make their own choices ... If City Hall wants to take away freedoms, people should be

notified and have the chance to speak out. Those who enjoy smoking should be on the front lines to defend their rights."

Debbie Kramer, a manager at Rick's Tavern on Main Street, said she doesn't expect business to decline if the ban is approved, however, she did say the ban "sucks."

"Folks are not going to stop coming out because they can't smoke," Kramer said. "It definitely puts the pressure on us to tell people where they can and can't smoke."

Kramer said a fear of losing business surfaced two years ago when City Hall began enforcing a law banning smoking in all public buildings. That fear never materialized.

Mayor Pro Tem Bobby Shriver, along with City Councilman Kevin McKeown, who both voted in favor of the ban, said they were surprised to hear many business owners were left in the dark regarding the ban, given the media coverage and outreach to the chamber and Bayside. Both said they are eager to hear from the businesses when the issue comes back before the council.

The earliest that could happen is sometime in September or October, Radinsky said. In the meantime, representatives from the three merchants associations plan to meet today to discuss any future action.



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- Continue with your school visits as long as it is interesting to your son. Make sure that he knows where the toilet and water fountain are as well as his classroom and cubby. You may need to explain the word “cubby” if it’s unfamiliar.

- Start off with a short first day. If the program offers an option to stay longer at drop-off and come early for pick-up, choose to do so on the first day. You’ll be surprised how happy your son is to see you after a short time in his new school environment.

- Have a positive “check-in” exchange with the teacher and other staff in full view of your child. Seeing your happiness and trust with the teacher will be very comforting to your son, especially on the first day.

- If at all possible, avoid any other major changes in the first few weeks of preschool. Allow him ample transition time to get used to the new rhythm and routine of the day.

Fundamentally, a successful preschool transition depends on empathy. If you respect and understand the volume of new sensations and experiences that your little one may be curious or even frightened about, your “mommy” nurturing instincts will kick in to support and guide him. Good luck.

Dorie

(Dorie Meek is director of the Infant & Family Support Program, provided by Saint John’s Health Center in partnership with the Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District. Meek answers questions concerning children ages birth to 5 years old. Submit your questions to “Dear Dorie” at meek@smmusd.org, or call (310) 452-6132; fax (310) 452-6392).

Amends to that!

Rectifying a situation through good deeds instills discipline



HOW MUCH IS ENOUGH?

BY JEAN ILLSLEY CLARKE PH.D.

Adrianna, 3 1/2, was cranky. Auntie Gina thought a bubble bath might help. She sprinkled a little of the blue bubble bath salts on the bottom of the tub, secured the top on the container, set the bottle up on the shelf and turned the faucet on full force.

Adrianna dropped her clothes on the white carpet and slid into the tub. The tub toys plopped into the water. The grumpies vanished.

Gina returned to the porch. Ten minutes later, a buck-naked little girl streaked onto the porch yelling, “Mom! I didn’t do it, but you better tell Auntie Gina there is a problem.”

A problem? Indeed. The bottle lay empty and blue granules spread across the white carpet.

Typical 3-year-old behavior? Well, if not typical, certainly not unusual. The question is how to handle it. How to reward Adrianna for reporting, and how to discomfort her about spilling the bath salts and lying. Mom demanded that Adrianna look her in the eye and said evenly, “This is a mess. You must ask Auntie Gina if she wants your help cleaning it up, or if she wants us to get out of her way.” Adrianna demurred. “I didn’t do it.” Mom ignored that detour and insisted “Adrianna ask!” Gina’s quick “Out!” sent Mom and Adrianna scurrying back to the porch.

“So,” Mom held Adrianna firmly in her lap, “If you can’t help Auntie clean up the mess, we will have to think of something else you that can do to make amends. Do you remember what making amends is?”

“Make better?”

“What could you do to make it better for Auntie Gina?”

Half an hour later, Dad, with a satisfied grin, and a little girl with a pensive attitude, returned.

“What are you going to do?”

Adrianna looked to her dad but he remained quiet. Finally she spoke. “Already did. We found wood for the fire-place. I’ll tell Auntie I sorry.”

“Finding firewood. That was a kind thing to do. It doesn’t fix the rug, but it does help your Auntie.” Mom’s voice grew stern. “However, don’t say you are sorry unless you really are. That’s lying and we don’t want you to lie. And next time, don’t say, ‘I didn’t do it’ if you did. Now go find Auntie Gina.”

No overindulgence, criticism, or abuse, here. Only good discipline. Take responsibility for your own actions, make amends and tell the truth.

The three ways of overindulging might have looked like this:

- Too much: “Daddy will buy a new carpet. You never mind darling.” The child learns that you don’t have to respect other people’s property.

- Over nurture: Doing for the child what she should be doing for herself. “Don’t worry, sweetie, I’ll tell Auntie Gina it was just an accident. Run and play now.” The child learns: that she doesn’t have to become competent. Others will do thing for her.

- Soft structure: Lax rules. “Auntie Gina shouldn’t have left the bottle in the bathroom. She expects too much of a 3-year-old.” The child learns that she doesn’t have to be responsible. Others should be responsible for her.

Making amends can be a good alternative to natural and logical consequences. The natural consequence of having the child clean the rug wasn’t feasible, and the logical consequence of no bubble baths for a month is too distant for the 3-year-old mind. Adrianna needed immediate help with how to be competence and reinstate herself as a positive, contributing member of the family, and she got it.

There is lots more about how to avoid overindulging in the “How Much Is Enough” book.

(Jean Illsley Clarke Ph.D., Connie Dawson Ph.D., and David J. Bredehoft Ph.D. are co-authors of “How Much is Enough? Everything You Need to Know to Steer Clear of Overindulgence and Raise Likeable, Responsible, and Respectful Children.” Illsley Clarke can be reached at jiconsults@aol.com.)

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2601 Main St. – 392-8304

Story Time for Twos – 10:00 and 10:30 a.m., July 25 – Aug. 29.

Tiny Tuesday Storytime at Storyopolis
For ages infant to 3. 11:00 a.m. 116 North Robertson, Plaza A, LA. 310-358-2500, www.storyopolis.com

Barnes and Noble at the Grove
Storytime for ages 2 – 6. 10:00 a.m. 189 Grove Drive, LA, 323-525-0270

Classes
YWCA – A Place for Parents –Toddler & Me Class - 9:15 - 10:15 a.m. – 12 to 36 months; Infant & Me Class – 10:45 – 11:45 a.m. and 1:30 – 2:30 p.m., 0 – 12 months; 2019 14th St. Call 452-3881for details and prices.
BREAKTHROUGH PARENTING CLASSES – 7:00 – 9:30 p.m.
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Yoga & Exercise
Yoga Works – 2215 Montana Ave, 310-393-5150; Pre/postnatal – 12:30 – 1:55 p.m., \$15. Mommy and Me – 1:45 – 3:00 p.m.
Mommy Care – at the Dance Factory, 11606 San Vicente Blvd., Brentwood, 310-394-6711. Combined Pregnancy/Recovery Exercise Group – 7:00 – 8:00 p.m.. (babies welcome, includes baby massage and workout at the end)
Stroller Strides Fitness Class – 9:30 a.m. Mon. – Fri., Palisades Park, call 800-795-6708 or visit www.strollerstrides.com for more info.
YoMama Yoga – 1404 3rd St. Promenade, St. 201, www.yogababyla.com - Parent & Me – 10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.; 12:30 – 1:30 p.m. Yoga for parents with kids ages 6 wks – 6 years. Kids interact with each other and toys. \$15 single class, \$65 for five classes, \$120 for ten classes.

Montana Avenue Branch Library
1704 Montana Ave – 310-829-7081.

Baby Time - 10:15 & 11:15 a.m., ages 0-2, July 19 – Aug. 23.

Ocean Park Branch Library
2601 Main St. –392-3804.

Preschool Twilight Story Time – 7:00 p.m. Parents/children ages 3-5.

Barnes and Noble, Westside Pavilion – 2 pm – ages 2-5 – 310-475-4144
Border's, Westwood – 11a.m. – 310-475-3444.

Classes
YWCA – A Place for Parents –Toddler & Me Class - 10:30 – 11:30 a.m., 5 to 36 months; 2019 14th St. Call 452-3881for details and prices.

Yoga & Exercise
YoMama Yoga – 1404 3rd St. Promenade, St. 201, www.yogababyla.com - Parent & Me – 10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. Yoga for parents with kids ages 6 wks – 6 years. Kids interact with each other and toys. \$15 single class, \$65 for five classes, \$120 for ten classes.
Prenatal Yoga – 11:15 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. \$18 single class, \$85 for five classes.
Yoga Works, 2215 Montana Ave, 310-393-5150 Pre/Postnatal – 12:30 – 2:00 p.m., \$15
Stroller Strides Fitness Class – 9:30 a.m. Mon. – Fri., call 800-795-6708 or visit www.strollerstrides.com for more info.

Breastfeeding Group
The Pump Station, 2415 Wilshire Blvd., 310-998-1981, drop-in, first class free, \$10 fee thereafter. Moms/babies 0-4 months, 1:00 – 2:30 p.m.

Other
Puppetolio – 1:00 p.m., 310-656-0483, 1255 2nd St., ages 3 & up, reservations suggested

THURSDAY
MOMS Club of SM South Playgroup – 3:00 – 5:00 p.m. for children born 1/02 – 2/03; 3:30 p.m., for children born 3/03 – 12/03, Call or email Alison at 450-0209 or riversalison@hotmail.com for more info. All moms welcome!

Storytelling
Main Library – 601 Santa Monica Blvd. – 458-8621
Current session thru Aug. 17 for:
Story Time for Twos – 10:15 & 10:45 a.m.
Preschool Story Time – 11:20 a.m. Ages 3 – 5.
Fairview Branch Library – 2101 Ocean Park Blvd – 310-450-0443.
La Hora Del Cuento – 7:00 p.m. Spanish stories, songs and rhymes for all ages.
Montana Avenue Branch Library – 1704 Montana Ave – 310-829-7081.

Story Time for Twos – 10:15 a.m., July 20 – Aug. 24.
Preschool Story Time – 11:15 a.m.; ages 3-5. Ongoing.
Ocean Park Branch Library – 2601 Main St. – 310-392-3804.
Baby Time – 9:20 & 10:20 a.m. Babies to 2 years, July 6 – Aug. 10.
Babystyle, 1324 Montana Avenue, 434-9590
10:30 a.m. Free story time for moms and kids ages 0-4.

Classes
YWCA – A Place for Parents –Toddler & Me Class - 9:15 - 10:15 a.m and 10:45 – 11:45 a.m., 12 to 36 months; Parent Support Group – 3:30 – 4:30 p.m., age 3 – 5 years; 2019 14th St. Call 452-3881for details and prices.
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Yoga & Exercise
YoMama Yoga – 1404 3rd St. Promenade, St. 201, www.yogababyla.com - Parent & Me – 10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. Yoga for parents with kids ages 6 wks – 6 years. Kids interact with each other and toys. \$15 single class, \$65 for five classes, \$120 for ten classes.
Prenatal Yoga – 7:00 – 8:15 p.m. \$18 single class, \$85 for five classes.
Yoga Works – 2215 Montana Ave, 310-393-5150; Pre/postnatal – 12:30 – 1:55 p.m., \$15. Mommy and Me – 1:45 – 3:00 p.m.
Stroller Strides Fitness Class – 9:30 a.m. Mon. – Fri., call 800-795-6708 or visit www.strollerstrides.com for more info.

Breastfeeding Groups
La Leche League of LA/Mar Vista – meets the 1st Thursday of each month at 10:00 a.m. in the Community Room of the Westchester Municipal Bldg., 7166 W. Manchester Ave., corner of Lincoln and Manchester. Call 310-390-2529 for info.
The Pump Station, 2415 Wilshire Blvd., 310-998-1981 - drop-in, first class free, \$10 fee thereafter. Moms/babies 4-8 months, 1:00 – 2:30 p.m.

FRIDAY
MOMS Club of SM South Playgroups
11:00 a.m. - playgroup for children born 10/04 – 5/05. Call or e-mail Alison at 450-0209 or riversalison@hotmail.com for more info.
Parent's Night Out at Child's Play, 2299 Westwood Blvd., 6:00 – 11:00 p.m.
Kids get a night of supervised fun with pizza, games and more while parents go out. Ages 3-10, \$9 per hour, \$7 sibs- lings, 3 hour minimum. Reservations required, 470-4997. ww.childsplayon-line.net
Classes
YWCA – A Place for Parents –Toddler & Me Class - 9:15 - 10:15 a.m. – 12 – 36

mos.; Playtime/Parent Support - 10:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m., 2019 14th St. Call 452-3881 for details and prices.

Yoga & Exercise
Kid's Yoga Circle Class at Exhale Spa – 3:30 p.m., for ages 5 – 11, 1422 2nd St., 260-2736 or yogaforkids@hotmail.com.
Yoga Works – 2215 Montana Ave, 310-393-5150; Pre/postnatal – 12:30 – 1:55 p.m., \$15.
Stroller Strides Fitness Class – 9:30 a.m. Mon. – Fri., call 800-795-6708 or visit www.strollerstrides.com for more info.

Other
Cinderella at The Santa Monica Playhouse – Family Theatre; Fridays & Saturdays, July 21 – Aug. 27; 6:00 p.m., 394-9779 ext. 1 for reservations. \$12.50 adults, \$10.50 kids ages 12 & under. www.santamonicaplayhouse.com

SATURDAY
Storytelling
Barnes and Noble, 3rd St. Promenade – Kid's Story Time – 10am, 310-260-9110
Barnes and Noble, Westside Pavilion – 10:30am – ages 2-5, 310-475-4144.
Children's Book World, 10580 1/2 Pico Blvd, LA - 10:30 a.m., every other Sat., 310-559-BOOK.
Village Books, 1049 SwarthmoreAve, Pacific Palisades – 10:30 a.m., 454-4063.
826LA, 685 Venice Blvd, 2nd Floor, Venice – 10:30 – 11:30 a.m., ages 3-6, RSVP to info
@825LA.com or 310-314-8418. (826LA is a non-profit organization dedicated to supporting students with their creative and expository writing skills, and to helping teachers inspire their students to write).
Classes
YWCA – Toddler & Me - 9:45 – 10:45 a.m.; Parent Enrichment once per month , 11:00 a.m. – noon, call Barbara Olinger at 452-3881 for rates and dates.

Yoga & Exercise
Santa Monica Yoga – Pre- & Post-Natal Yoga, Saturdays – 12:30 – 2:00 p.m. 1640 Ocean Park Blvd, 396-4040, www.santamonicayoga.com
Mommy Care – at the Dance Factory, 11606 San Vicente Blvd., Brentwood, 310-394-6711. Combined Pregnancy/Recovery Exercise Group – 8:30 – 9:30 a.m.(babies welcome, includes baby massage and workout at the end)
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East Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Boston	62	41	.602	—
New York	61	41	.598	1/2
Toronto	57	48	.543	6
Baltimore	48	58	.453	15 1/2
Tampa Bay	43	62	.410	20

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Detroit	70	34	.673	—
Chicago	61	42	.592	8 1/2
Minnesota	60	43	.583	9 1/2
Cleveland	45	58	.437	24 1/2
Kansas City	37	67	.356	33

West Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Oakland	55	50	.524	—
Angels	54	50	.519	1/2
Texas	52	53	.495	3
Seattle	51	53	.490	3 1/2

TUESDAY'S GAMES

Cleveland (Sabathia 7-7) at Boston (Snyder 2-2), 4:05 p.m.
Toronto (Burnett 2-4) at N.Y. Yankees (Wright 6-6), 4:05 p.m.
Seattle (Moyer 6-9) at Baltimore (R.Lopez 7-11), 4:05 p.m.
Detroit (Verlander 13-4) at Tampa Bay (Howell 0-0), 4:15 p.m.
Texas (Eaton 0-1) at Minnesota (Baker 3-6), 5:10 p.m.
Chicago White Sox (Buehrle 9-9) at Kansas City (OPerez 0-0), 5:10 p.m.
Oakland (Blanton 11-8) at **Angels** (Colon 1-5), 7:05 p.m.

WEDNESDAY'S GAMES

Texas at Minnesota, 10:10 a.m.
Seattle at Baltimore, 12:05 p.m.
Oakland at **Angels**, 12:35 p.m.
Cleveland at Boston, 4:05 p.m.
Toronto at N.Y. Yankees, 4:05 p.m.
Detroit at Tampa Bay, 4:15 p.m.
Chicago White Sox at Kansas City, 5:10 p.m.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

East Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
New York	63	41	.606	—
Philadelphia	49	55	.471	14
Florida	49	56	.467	14 1/2
Atlanta	48	56	.462	15
Washington	46	59	.438	17 1/2

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
St. Louis	58	46	.558	—
Cincinnati	55	50	.524	3 1/2
Milwaukee	50	55	.476	8 1/2
Houston	49	56	.467	9 1/2
Chicago	43	61	.413	15
Pittsburgh	40	66	.377	19

West Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
San Diego	55	50	.524	—
Arizona	53	51	.510	1 1/2
San Fran	51	54	.486	4
Colorado	50	54	.481	4 1/2
Dodgers	50	55	.476	5

TUESDAY'S GAMES

Atlanta (Smoltz 8-5) at Pittsburgh (Snell 9-6), 4:05 p.m.
N.Y. Mets (Pelfrey 2-1) at Florida (Olsen 9-4), 4:05 p.m.
Dodgers (Penny 10-5) at Cincinnati (Arroyo 9-7), 4:10 p.m.
Arizona (Vargas 8-7) at Chicago Cubs (Hill 0-4), 5:05 p.m.
Philadelphia (Mathieson 0-2) at St. Louis (Suppan 8-5), 5:10 p.m.
Milwaukee (Bush 6-8) at Colorado (Fogg 7-5), 6:05 p.m.
Houston (Pettitte 9-11) at San Diego (Peavy 5-10), 7:05 p.m.
Washington (Hernandez 8-8) at San Francisco (Cain 7-7), 7:15 p.m.

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Bush out of the loop

Britain, California work together to combat global warming

BY MICHAEL R. BLOOD

Associated Press Writer

LOS ANGELES — Britain and California agreed Monday to work together to address global warming, detouring around the Bush administration to explore the potential for curbing greenhouse gas emissions and promoting clean-burning fuels, officials said.

British Prime Minister Tony Blair and California Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger planned to announce the pact, which aims to create a joint market for greenhouse gases. Environmental groups questioned the value of the voluntary agreement, calling it little more than a symbolic gesture to address climate issues.

The agreement lays the groundwork for a new trans-Atlantic market in carbon dioxide emissions, which could help California cut carbon dioxide and other heat-trapping gases scientists say are warming the planet. President Bush has rejected the idea of ordering such cuts.

According to a draft, the agreement calls for the state and the British government to collaborate on technology research while seeking ways to hasten the transition to a low-carbon economy.

The intent is to set a price on carbon pollution, an unwanted byproduct of fossil fuels like coal, oil and gasoline. The idea is to set overall caps for carbon and reward businesses that find a profitable way to minimize their carbon emissions, thereby encouraging new, greener technologies.

“This is an agreement to share ideas and information. It is not a treaty,” said Adam Mendelsohn, Schwarzenegger’s communications director. “Right now, all we are doing is talking about sharing ideas.”

For the election-bound Schwarzenegger, the agreement comes at a time when he has been attempting to distance himself from Bush as the president’s popularity has sagged.

His aides disputed the agreement was an attempt to side-step the White House. In a conference call with reporters, state Environmental Protection Agency Secretary Linda Adams said the agency is in “constant contact” with federal regulators, but added that there was no discussion with Washington about Monday’s agreement, which involves only voluntary actions.

Monday’s meeting was being hosted by Steve Howard, chief executive of The Climate Group, and Lord John Browne, chairman of British Petroleum. British and American business leaders planned to use it to also discuss other ways of accelerating use of low-carbon technologies.

Craig Noble of the Natural Resources Defense Council, an environmental group, said the pact had symbolic value but “the time for talk is over.” He urged passage of a proposal, pending in the state Legislature, that would make California the first state in the nation to cap greenhouse gas emissions from industrial sources.

“The bottom line is, voluntary is not enough,” Noble said. That was echoed by the advocacy group Environment California, which said in a statement “the ticket to success in fighting global warming is establishing a mandatory, verifiable and enforceable cap on global warming pollution. ... Without that, promises to do something about global warm-

ing are nothing more than a lot of hot air.”

“It will be markets, not governments, that will decide which technologies are chosen in the future. Governments can give clear, credible, long-term signals to the market which will enable companies to develop the technology that will result in cleaner technology, more energy efficient technology,” said a Blair spokesman, speaking on condition of anonymity, in line with government policy.

The world’s only mandatory carbon trading program is in Europe. Created in conjunction with the Kyoto Protocol, a 1997 international treaty that took effect last year, it caps the amount of carbon dioxide that can be emitted from power plants and factories in more than two dozen countries.

Companies can trade rights to pollute directly with each other or through exchanges located around Europe as long as the cap is met. Canada, one of more than 160 nations that signed Kyoto, plans a similar program.

Although the United States is one of the few industrialized nations that haven’t signed the treaty, some Eastern states are developing a regional cap-and-trade program. And some U.S. companies have voluntarily agreed to cap their carbon pollution as part of a new Chicago-based market.

A main target of the agreement between Britain and California is the carbon from cars, trucks and other modes of transportation. Transportation accounts for an estimated 41 percent of California’s greenhouse gas emissions and 28 percent of Britain’s.

Schwarzenegger has called on California to cut its greenhouse gas emissions to 2000 levels by 2010. California was the 12th largest source of greenhouse gases in the world last year, bigger than most nations.

Blair has called on Britain to reduce carbon emissions to 60 percent of its 1990 levels by 2050. Britain also has been looking at imposing individual limits on carbon pollution. People who accumulate unused carbon allowances — for example, by driving less, or switching to less polluting vehicles — could sell them to people who exceed their allowances — for example by driving more.

Bush has resisted Blair’s efforts to make carbon reduction a top international priority. After taking office, Bush reversed a 2000 campaign pledge to regulate carbon dioxide emissions, then withdrew U.S. support from the Kyoto treaty requiring industrialized nations to cut their greenhouse gases to below 1990 levels.

Kristen Hellmer, a spokeswoman for the White House Council on Environmental Quality, said the agreement was “a wonderful amplification” of talks last year between the president and Blair.

“It’s just another step forward,” she said. “This is a way to share ideas, what works and what doesn’t work.”

The United States is responsible for a quarter of the world’s global warming pollution. Bush administration officials argue that requiring cuts in greenhouse gases would cost the U.S. economy 5 million jobs. Instead, the administration has poured billions of dollars into research aimed at slowing the growth of most greenhouse gases while advocating a global cut on one of them, methane.

(Associated Press Writer **John Heilprin** contributed to this report.)

All gung-ho about getting galactic

BY ALICIA CHANG

AP Science Writer

LOS ANGELES — They are celestial missionaries of sorts: professionals with a wild side, celebrities with money to burn and semi-retirees with a hankering for one last thrill.

What they share is a desire to float weightless for a mere five minutes. They’ve also got \$200,000 to book a flight into space. Even without a guarantee that they would ever blast off, these leisurenauts are voluntarily promoting commercial space travel — still several years away, at least — with an almost religious fervor in speeches, writings, even art exhibits.

The buzz is about Virgin Galactic, the fledgling spaceline founded by British airline mogul Sir Richard Branson. It strategically chooses its clients to be the public face of the company in an effort to draw attention to and, it hopes, corner the infant space tourism market.

Take Trevor Beattie, a London-based advertising guru with a trademark mop of curly black hair. Beattie was in Los Angeles at a space conference this spring hyping a flight he expects to take in 2008 — the program still awaits federal approval and the completion of its rocketship.

Flanked by Virgin Galactic executives, Beattie gushed about his idol, moonwalker Buzz Aldrin, who happened to be in the crowd.

“When I was a kid, I wanted to be Buzz Aldrin. Now I’m a fully grown adult ... and I still want to be Buzz Aldrin,” said Beattie, 46, who has agreed to create for free a 60-second commercial for Virgin Galactic that will hit theaters in the fall.

In the ultra-secretive world of personal space flight, Virgin Galactic is depending on customers such as Beattie to spread the word. While “founders,” as the first 100 Virgin Galactic passengers are known, aren’t required to promote the company, many eagerly do.

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Singer gets pick of litter

By The Associated Press

NEW YORK

Boy George will perform his court-ordered community service by picking up trash on city streets in the August heat, a sanitation spokesman said.

The one-time Culture Club singer will be issued a shovel, broom, plastic bags and gloves when he reports Aug. 14 for five days of work, said department spokesman Vito Turso.

"This is the epitome of community service," Turso told the Daily News for Monday editions. "It's not like he's going to be working in an air-conditioned office."

Born George O'Dowd, the 45-year-old singer has struggled with drug problems for years. He was ordered to do community service after pleading guilty in March to false reporting of an incident. He called police with a bogus report of a burglary at his lower Manhattan apartment in October, and the responding officers found cocaine inside.

Turso's statement was the first indication of what sort of work the singer would be given. He could be assigned to pick up streets in Chinatown, Little Italy, Nolita or parts of the Lower East Side.

O'Dowd became an '80s icon with his androgynous appearance and vocals on hits such as "Karma Chameleon" and "Do You Really Want to Hurt Me?" A Manhattan judge threatened the singer with jail time if he failed to complete his five days of community service before Aug. 28.

LOS ANGELES

Cops back on Notorious killing

Six veteran homicide detectives are leading a new police task force investigating the unsolved 1997 killing of Notorious B.I.G.

The new probe comes in the face of a wrongful death lawsuit filed by the rapper's mother, Voletta Wallace, and other relatives, who claim rogue police officers were involved in the killing, the Los Angeles Times reported Monday.

The lawsuit filed by the Wallace family ended

in a mistrial last year when it was discovered that a police detective intentionally hid statements by a jailhouse informant linking the killing to two former officers.

A judge ordered the city to pay \$1.1 million in legal fees and other expenses to the rapper's family. A new trial was set for early next year.

There was no new evidence that prompted the formation of the task force. But evidence discovered by the task force could help the city in its argument against the family's claims.

B.I.G., born Christopher Wallace, was 24 when he was gunned down March 9, 1997, while leaving a party at a Los Angeles museum. The New York rapper, also known as Biggie Smalls, was one of the most influential hip-hop artists of the 1990s.

The investigative team is exploring the theory that Wallace was killed by a member of the Southside Crips gang as part of a hip-hop feud that that involved the slaying of rapper Tupac Shakur in Las Vegas six months earlier.

The investigators also are pursuing allegations that Wallace was killed by a Blood gang member hired by Marion "Suge" Knight, the owner of Shakur's record label. Knight has denied any involvement in the killing.

SAN JUAN, Puerto Rico

Actor stumps for hotel staff

Danny Glover helped launch a campaign to rally Puerto Rico's hotel workers to join the local branch of a large U.S. labor union in a bid to gain better pay and benefits.

Glover, whose movie credits include "The Royal Tenenbaums" and the "Lethal Weapon" series, joined leaders of the Gastronomical Union, which represents about 2,100 employees at nine hotels in the U.S. territory, to call for the island's hospitality workers to unite under a single banner.

"The union's fight is to construct a world in which we want to live," Glover said at a news conference Sunday at the Condado Plaza Hotel & Casino in the capital of San Juan.

Glover, 59, has long been involved in political activism. He has traveled to San Francisco, Boston

and Toronto with labor leaders of UNITE HERE — of which the Gastronomical Union is a member.

In Puerto Rico, about 8,000 hospitality workers do not belong to any organized union, said representatives of UNITE HERE, which represents about 450,000 workers.

NEW YORK

McCartney takes classical turn

Paul McCartney has made his share of classic music: Now the ex-Beatle is releasing a classical album.

"Ecce Cor Meum," which means "Behold My Heart," is a choral and orchestral work in both English and Latin, due out this fall. Britain's Magdalen College Oxford commissioned McCartney to create the music more than eight years ago in celebration of a new concert hall.

Though McCartney has released three other classically oriented albums, he acknowledged that writing "Ecce Cor Meum" was a difficult task that took revisions and public performances before he finally got it right.

"Eventually I made it all come together through correcting some misapprehensions," McCartney, 64, said in a statement released to The Associated Press on Monday. "If it had been a Beatles song I would have known how to do it. But this was a completely different ballgame."

"Ecce Cor Meum" is to be released on Sept. 26.

NEW YORK

Jett still a punk

Joan Jett may be 45 now, but that doesn't mean she's outgrown punk.

"I never subscribed to the idea that punk rock means you have to play fast and scream," Jett told Newsday in Sunday's editions. "To me, it means being a rebel, being an underdog, being outside and doing it yourself."

With a new album, "Sinner," released on her own Blackheart Records label, Jett is reintroducing herself to a generation that probably knows her only as that lady who sang "I Love Rock 'n' Roll" in the early '80s.

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MOVIEGUIDE

SHOWTIMES: TUESDAY, AUGUST 1, 2006

Aero Theatre
1328 Montana Avenue
(310)395-4990

Wednesday

The Pied Piper 7:30

Thursday

Enter the Dragon &
Nightmare on Elm Street 7:30

AMC7 Santa Monica
1310 3rd Street
(310) 289-4262

The Ant Bully (PG)

12:45, 3:10, 5:20, 8:00, 10:15

John Tucker Must Die (PG-13)

1:00, 3:20, 5:25, 7:50, 10:10

Miami Vice (R)

12:00, 1:30, 3:00, 4:30, 6:15, 7:30,
9:30, 10:30

My Super Ex-Girlfriend (PG-13)

12:10, 2:30, 5:00, 7:20, 9:40

Pirates of the Caribbean:

Dead Man's Chest (PG-13)

12:30, 2:45, 4:10, 6:30, 7:40, 10:00,
10:50

AMC Loews Broadway 4
1441 3rd Street
(310) 458-6232

Scoop (PG-13)

1:15, 3:30, 7:30, 10:00

The Devil Wears Prada (PG-13)

1:00, 4:15, 7:15, 10:30

Superman Returns (PG-13)

12:30 | 3:45 | 7:00 | 10:15

Cars (G)

12:45, 4:00, 6:45, 9:45

Landmark Nuwiltshire
1314 Wilshire Blvd
(310)281-8228

Strangers with Candy (R)

12:10, 2:40, 5:10, 7:40, 10:00

Who Killed the Electric Car? (PG)

12:00, 2:30, 5:00, 7:30, 9:50

Laemmle's Monica
Fourplex
1332 2nd Street
(310) 394-9741

Little Miss Sunshine (R)

12:15, 1:45, 2:45, 4:20, 5:20, 7:00,
8:00, 9:30, 10:30

A Scanner Darkly (R)

12:15, 5:00, 9:55

Wordplay (PG)

2:35, 7:35

An Inconvenient Truth (PG)

12:30, 2:55, 5:20, 7:45, 10:10

Mann's Criterion Theatre
1313 3rd Street
(310) 395-1599

Clerks II (R)

12:40, 3:00, 5:30, 8:00, 10:20

Lady in the Water (PG-13)

11:00, 11:40, 1:40, 2:20, 4:20, 7:10,
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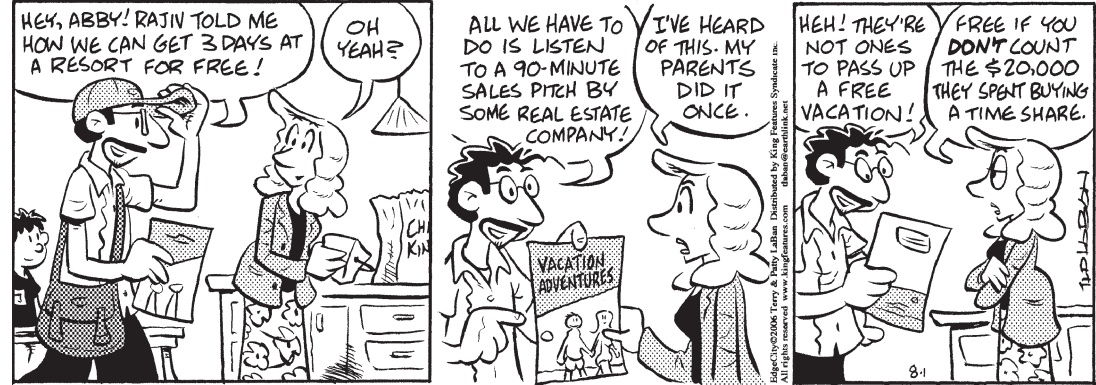
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The name and address of the person with whom claims may be filed is: CALIFORNIA ESCROW SERVICE INC, 3580 WILSHIRE BLVD #710, LOS ANGELES, CA 90010 and the last day for filing claims by any creditor shall be AUGUST 16, 2006, which is the business day before the anticipated sale date specified above.
Dated: JULY 27, 2006

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NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF LOLA SWEITZER aka LOLA TALITHA SWEITZER, LOLA T. SWEITZER
Case No. BP099603
To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of LOLA SWEITZER aka LOLA TALITHA SWEITZER, LOLA T. SWEITZER
A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by Mark J. Saladino, Public Administrator in the Superior Court of California, County of LOS ANGELES.

THE PETITION FOR PRO-BATE requests that Mark J. Saladino, Public Administrator be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

THE PETITION requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.

A HEARING on the petition will be held on September 15, 2006 at 8:30 AM in Dept. No. 9 located at 111 N. Hill St., Los Angeles, CA 90012.

IF YOU OBJECT to the grant-ing of the petition, you should ap-pear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.

IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR or a contingent creditor of the deceased, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within four months from the date of first issuance of letters as provided in Probate Code section 9100. The time for filing claims will not expire before four months from the hearing date noticed above.

YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are a per-son interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and ap-praisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.

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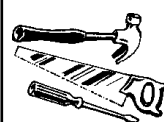
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