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NEWS OF THE WEIRD

by Chuck Shepard

You break it, you bought it:

Australia's High Court ruled 4-3 in July that because Dr. Stephen Cattaneach's sterilization surgery on Ms. Kerry Melchior had failed, it was Cattaneach's (and the Queensland Health Department's) responsibility to pay the cost of raising the Melchior's unwanted child until age 18. The decision stunned the medical profession and insurers in Australia, especially because Cattaneach had relied on Melchior's inaccurate statement that her right fallopian tube had been removed at age 15 (and so performed surgery only on the left tube).



QUOTE OF THE DAY

"Never put off until tomorrow what you can do the day after tomorrow."

— Mark Twain



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Curtains will open for Madison Theater

SMC performing arts center enters final stages

BY JOHN WOOD

Daily Press Staff Writer

After five years of planning, a 535-seat theater in Santa Monica has been approved and will be built next year.

The Santa Monica College board of trustees this week unanimously approved the \$18 million project, which is called Madison Theater and will be located at 11th Street and Santa Monica Boulevard.

"It's an entitlement," said Don Girard, marketing manager for SMC. "This allows the project to proceed."

Only one person spoke out against the theater at the board's Monday meeting.

That person, a nearby resident, said the amount of cars generated from theater patrons will not be adequately served by the project's 301 parking spaces.

Despite that the surrounding area is reserved for residents in what's called a "preferential parking zone," the resident said cars are likely to park on the street illegally. Officials said they have done their

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Photo courtesy

Above: A rendition of what the inside of the Madison Theater will look like.

Below: A model of the building's exterior.

Afro-Cuban sounds on the SM pier tonight

By Daily Press staff

Tonight's free concert at the Santa Monica Pier features the Afro-Cuban ensemble "ODARA."

The band incorporates rumba, cha cha, guaracha, bembé and tumba francesa into their music for a salsa sound packed with flavor and soul.

In the Afro-Cuban folklore tradition "odara" means "firmly rooted, well grounded or balanced."

ODARA recently released their debut album "Odara," which showcases the song writing and arranging of legendary Afro-Cuban artists Lazaro Galarraga and Guillermo Cespedes.

The band includes Galarraga

and Cespedes, Humberto "Nengue" Hernandez on timbales, Richard Marquez on congas, Joel Pena playing the Cuban "tres" guitar, Iris Cepeda on background vocals, Raimundo Someyan and John Fumo on the trumpets, bassist Rahsaan Fredricks and Gary Eisenberg on trumpet and valve trombone.

The Susie Hansen Latin Jazz Band will open the show, featuring renowned jazz violinist Susie Hansen and some of LA's finest jazz musicians playing their brand of hot Afro-Cuban jazz.

Tonight's concert runs from 7:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. on the parking deck of the Santa Monica Pier.



Patrick Kinmartin/Daily Press

Jack Caruso stands in front of his family's store.

Menswear store: Formal ending to fading fashion

Clothes better suited for previous generation

BY PATRICK KINMARTIN

Special to the Daily Press

After 59 years in the Santa Monica clothing business, Mike Caruso Menswear is hanging it up permanently.

Store owner Jack Caruso told hundreds of customers this week through a blast e-mail that unfavorable economic conditions made his decision to close the

family business unavoidable.

Caruso, whose grandfather, Mike, founded the business in 1944, said he will close the store at 631 Wilshire Blvd. this month and begin work with another retailer in September.

"This is the right time to move on," Caruso said. "Ending such a wonderful era obviously isn't easy, but it's necessary. We've just been spinning our wheels financially over the past couple of years, struggling to break even."

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Schwarzenegger announces bid on Davis recall ballot

BY ERICA WERNER

Associated Press Writer

LOS ANGELES — Arnold Schwarzenegger ended the suspense Wednesday and said he would run in California's recall election, awarding Republicans his marquee value in their campaign to oust Gov. Gray Davis. Democratic Sen. Dianne Feinstein had earlier ruled out a run, labeling the election "more and more like a carnival every day."

Schwarzenegger's announcement came as a surprise. Advisers had said in recent days that he was leaning against putting his name on the Oct. 7 election ballot because of opposition from his wife, journalist Maria Shriver.

He announced the decision during a taping of "The Tonight Show with Jay Leno," calling it the toughest he's made since deciding to get a bikini wax in 1978.

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Often a haze surrounds your relationships, and you might put loved ones and friends on a pedestal. Therefore, it is likely that they will tumble off, and you might feel as if someone pulled the wool over your eyes. But who put this person or these people on the pedestal initially? You are unusually attractive and draw others to you more than ever before. You naturally do an excellent job with your own PR. You make money more easily this year from September on. Do be careful not to go on an enormous spending spree. If you are single, you will have your share of suitors. Pick and choose with care. Wait at least a year before making a commitment. If you are attached, your relationship will be enhanced by more communication. Music could play a significant role in your life. SAGITTARIUS understands you.

ARIES (March 21-April 19)

★★★★★ You still might not be getting the whole picture. More interestingly, you really don't care. Revise your thinking to incorporate new ideas. Don't close out some strange concept or perception, which could wind up being workable. Caring multiplies because of your openness. Tonight: Try a new restaurant.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

★★★★★ Reach out to someone at a distance. Visualize more of what you need and want from a partner. You'll find that although this person is changing, he or she is still there for you. Friends and meetings provide direction. Transform a situation through a discussion. Tonight: You get what you want.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

★★★★★ Extremes mark recent decisions involving a loved one and/or finances. Know that no one is viewing the big picture. Aim for more of what you want here, refusing to take unneeded risks. Re-organize your work in order to get more done. Tonight: Go for a workout.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

★★★★★ You understand a lot more than you realize. While others could be touchy or even combative with information that you put forth, concentrate on what you want to get done. Refuse to push too hard. Remember, you also need a break. Tonight: Off to the gym.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

★★★★★ Holding you back could be a problem, should anyone try. You are the ultimate straight shooter right now. Still, some vagueness could surround you, especially with a partnership. If you need to ask some extra questions, please do. Ultimately, you will be a lot happier. Tonight: Get into weekend mode.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

★★★★★ Deal with the basics right now. Your perspective could change dramatically, especially as a co-worker seems to muddle things up right now. Associates might not want to confuse matters; it just seems like the nature of the day. Tonight: Happily head home. Insulate yourself from others.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

★★★★★ You might want to think carefully before making any ultimatums. A new relationship or child could be starry-eyed. His or her nostalgia could be contagious but not necessarily helpful. Communications remain pivotal. Tonight: As you like it.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

★★★★★ Don't hold back; say what is on your mind. You might regret not clearing the air while you can. Your perceptions could change substantially over the next few weeks. Continue to maintain a cautious attitude with your finances; you'll be much happier ultimately. Tonight: Your treat.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

★★★★★ Don't try to control everything. Rather, let situations bloom as they naturally would. You might be more in control than you realize. You sense events, calls and even words before they happen right now. Tonight: Beam in what you want.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

★★★★★ Know when to step back and take your time. Verify all information that heads in your direction. Extremes earmark your decisions, so postpone any one of significance. Stand back if your emotions trigger. Tonight: Take your time.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

★★★★★ Test out ideas on others. Verify information when it comes across your path. Friends pull together, wanting to help you get what you desire. Meetings within your immediate circle could prove instrumental. Tonight: Go off and play.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

★★★★★ Take your time with a boss. Keep asking questions if you don't feel comfortable. You will come up with great solutions if you keep at it. A boss appreciates your consistency at the moment. Don't give up, no matter how frustrated you might become. Tonight: Just hang in there.

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LOCAL



COMMUNITY BRIEFS

Gaslite lines up community forums

By Daily Press staff

The Gaslite has released the late summer lineup for its popular "Blues, Booze and Views" events.

The free events feature live blues, free pizza, free soft drinks and special guest speakers. Patrons are invited to participate in spirited discussions on local and national issues.

The Gaslite hosts the free weekly events every Monday at 7 p.m. as a service to the community.

On Aug. 4: Linda Sullivan and Ben Franz-Knight, chair of the board and executive director of the Santa Monica Pier Restoration Corp., will give a multi-media presentation on history and upcoming plans for the pier.

On Aug. 11: Sherry Kellogg, president of the Santa Monica Hospitality Association, will speak about the challenges facing the local hotel industry.

On Aug. 18: There will be an open forum where participants can bring their own topics.

On Aug. 25: Darrell Clarke, chair of the Santa Monica Planning Commission, will speak about community planning issues.

On Sept. 1: Sandie Richards, member of the steering committee and Santa Monicans Allied for Responsible Tourism, will talk about workers and the living wage.

On Sept. 8: Melissa Effron, director of Community Services Planned Parenthood, will speak about reproductive rights issues facing men and women.

On Sept. 15: There will be an open forum where participants can bring their own topics.

On Sept. 22: Michael Feinstein, a Santa Monica City Councilmember, will talk about his recent trip to Cuba and issues facing Santa Monica.

On Sept. 28: Dave Danforth, co-founder of the Santa Monica Daily Press, will speak about the state of the media and news reporting.

The Gaslite is located at the corner of Wilshire Boulevard and 21st Street in Santa Monica.

For further information on upcoming forums and/or to suggest a guest speaker, contact the Gaslite's owner, Claire Ragge, at (310) 829-2382, ext 4.

Venice teachers go to Mudd

By Daily Press staff

Jennifer Kim and Fred Siegel, high school teachers in Venice, recently attended the "Partners in Engineering Problem Solving" program at Harvey Mudd College.

They spent five days at Harvey Mudd College, beginning July 21, developing and learning methods to solve problems and ways to apply design in engineering.

Kim and Siegel teach at Venice High School.

The PEPS program was established at Harvey Mudd College to introduce engineering problem solving and design to math, science and technology teachers. The intention is that the teachers will then teach their students the same techniques to excite them about the possibilities in math and science classes.

Teachers are generally selected from schools that serve significant numbers of women and minority students, groups under represented in science, engineering and mathematics.

Harvey Mudd College is the liberal arts co-educational institution of engineering, science and mathematics that also places strong emphasis on humanities and the social sciences. The college's aim is to graduate engineers and scientists sensitive to the impact of their work on society. HMC ranks among the nation's leading schools in percentage of graduates who earn Ph.D. degrees. It is the pioneer of the internationally known "Clinic Program," established in 1963.

This is the sixth annual PEPS workshop. Teachers who are interested in participating in future workshops can contact professor Lori Bassman at (909) 607-1250 for more information.



Where there once was waves there now is sunshine. Expect the surf situation to be relatively pinner, in relation to the last week or so.

BAD NEWS: The mix of S and SW will continue to fade.

GOOD NEWS: More time for beer on the beach.

OUTLOOK: A new, smaller SW will start to fill in this weekend. NW still kicking it in the background.

Get stoked on an epic sesh? Get burned by a bad report? Write us at wood@smdp.com and tell us what the surf is doing today at your local break.

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The beach lots directly off of Main Street would be available for market shoppers free of charge from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., under the Main Street Merchants Association proposal. Apparently City Hall officials were receptive to the idea earlier this year, but the proposal has stalled.

This week, Q-Line wants to know, "Should the beach lots be available for the Main Street Farmers Market? If not, what should be done about the lack of parking on Main Street on Sundays?"

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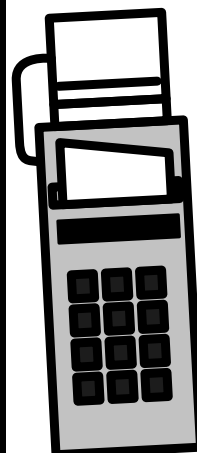
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OPINION

LETTERS

Toss a good Democrat into the ring

Editor:

Your "Think Twice" columnists, Evelyn Jerome and Todd Flora, featured a lively debate Tuesday (SMDP, Aug. 5, SMDP, page 4) on the hot topic of whether a major Democrat — beyond Gov. Gray Davis — should appear on the recall ballot.

Ms. Jerome argued that yes, one should.

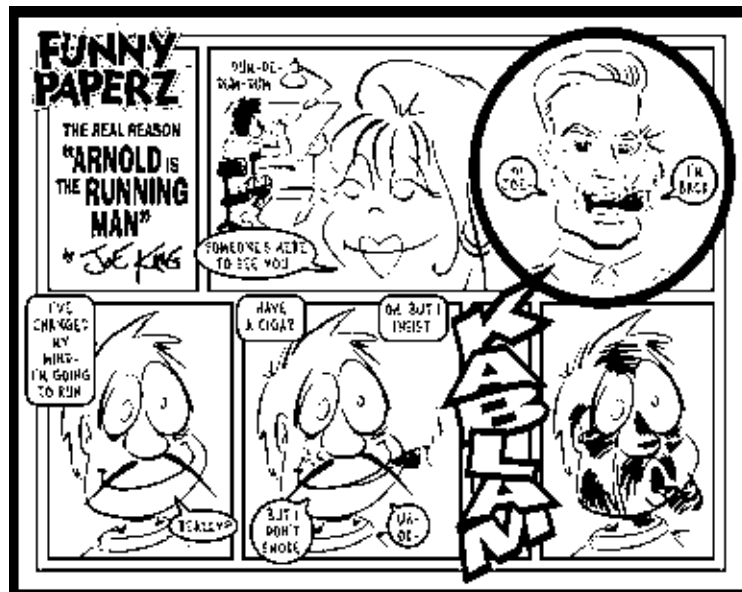
Not offering a strong Democratic candidate disenfranchises those of us who are voting "no" on the (first part of the) recall.

Without a strong Democrat on the (second part of the) ballot, the next Governor is almost sure to be Tom McClintock, Richard Riordan or Darrell Issa. Gray Davis is unpopular like few other politicians and he could very well be recalled.

As for Mr. Flora's argument that Democrats should not give legitimacy to the recall, I say nonsense. The recall became legitimate when the Secretary of State scheduled it for Oct. 7. And candidates such as Riordan and McClintock signed up.

The California Democratic Party is making a colossal mistake by standing shoulder-to-shoulder with Gray Davis, a politician whose approval ratings are in the dirt. When Californians awake on Oct. 8 they'll quickly learn that their new governor is a Republican.

Joanne Gamlin
Santa Monica



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Give us your poor, your tired ... but keep the gays

TITTINGER'S
TAKE

By Michael J. Tittinger

The woman stormed out of the bar like her hair was ablaze, making a b-line for the exit as if some metal gates were about to come crashing down and lock her in this flaming freak show thriving only in her mind.

Moments later, her boyfriend with whom she had been sitting, turned to me with a knowing smile and leaned in.

"Can I ask you a question? And be honest," he asked, seeming a little demanding for a conversation starter. "Is this place straight-up?"

Straight-up? Looking at the pool tables behind us, my first thought was whether or not he meant there was a lot of gambling going on or something. Why the two would be concerned about that I hadn't the foggiest.

"Is this a gay bar?"

I thought he was joking. Another extended look about the room produced plenty of men and women, even if they were mostly paired off like Noah's animals. As many times as I'd been there, it never even remotely crossed my mind.

"My girl ... I told her she was trippin'."

With that he turned and headed for the exit after her. I had a sudden vision of a scared, violated woman curled up in the fetal position out in the parking lot, devastated that she may have ordered a beer in a gay bar.

The real stink of it was the full pitcher

of beer the lovebirds left virtually untouched atop the bar. What a waste.

The horror.

I'm assuming these two are not loyal viewers of the new Bravo network hit "Queer Eye for the Straight Guy," but these two, with their rampant and unchecked homophobia, and their ilk, thankfully appear to represent a dwindling majority. Turn on the television on almost any given night these days and gays and their lifestyle, so abhorrent to so many, will be finding their way into your living room. They are seemingly everywhere — "Queer Eye," "Will & Grace," "Boy Meets Boy," "Queer as Folk" not to mention the plethora of shows that include the token gay character in their milieu of politically correct workplace and neighborhood depictions.

Of course, these are seldom accurate portrayals of the lifestyle, devoid of any vitriolic anti-gay resentment and unprovoked consternation ... like a seemingly ordinary couple running for the door of a Santa Monica bar just at the thought of being surrounded by such heathens.

But what the popularity of such shows does seem to indicate, aside from a piqued curiosity, is a growing willingness in this country to accept gays and lesbians and not hold their respective lifestyle choices against them — all of which makes President Bush's unsolicited remarks last week about gay marriages all the more curious and all the more ill timed.

It seemed more than a bit ironic when the President and Pope seemingly joined forces to denounce the question of gay marriages seven months after they clashed mightily over the morality of waging war on Iraq and Saddam Hussein. The unlike-

ly alliance with Pope John Paul II on the topic does little to bolster the President's case. It is an uneasy intertwining of religion and politics to say the least.

The Pope and President had been at odds for the better part of this past year on a whole slew of issues, but are suddenly in cahoots when it comes to preventing homosexuals from enjoying the same rights and freedoms as everybody else. More loving, monogamous relationships in this world, regardless of gender, would seem to be a good thing, would seem to be, dare I say, a Christian thing. But these two have come to an understanding as to who the sinners of the world really are, those among us who are really bringing about the dissolution of civilization.

Last week the Vatican unveiled a 12-page document, approved by Pope John Paul II, calling on Roman Catholic lawmakers to block legislation granting legal rights to homosexual unions in Europe and abroad. By coming out (no pun intended) in support of the Pope, President Bush will again prompt comparisons to his father, often criticized for having lost touch with the American people, unable to find the pulse of society with a stethoscope and miner's helmet.

At present, gay marriages are forbidden in the United States, although Vermont allows same-sex civil unions and Massachusetts' high court is expected to rule on the issue soon.

By most indications, the tolerance of alternate lifestyles appears to be swelling here in the United States as gays and lesbians push for equal rights. Our puritanical history is colliding with the ideals our nation claims to represent and the President looks like he's leading the

charge to hold onto the days of yore, trying to keep his finger in the dike ... as it were. It's a losing battle. See women's suffrage and the civil rights movement of the 1960s for just two cases of fellow Americans fighting for the same rights as granted to everybody else.

It's almost as if the president is left standing there saying, "Give us your poor, your tired, your hungry ... just not your fags." He doth protest too much.

Who is it hurting anyway, this desire for gay marriages and same-sex civil unions? Loving relationships in the world are never a bad thing, despite what the President might think.

"Marriage is between a man and a woman," President Bush said from the White House front lawn last week, before going so far as to say he's considering the pursuit of a Constitutional amendment specifically banning same-sex marriages from ever being legal. "And we've got lawyers looking into the best way to do that."

What's the President so afraid of? Canada, the Netherlands and Belgium already allow same-sex marriages, and Britain is now considering civil unions. People like President Bush are likely more worried about how they'll respond to the unnerving sight of two gay people holding hands than the legality of it all, or wondering how they're going to explain the sight to their kids.

Contrary to popular belief along the Bible Belt, homosexuality is not contagious, emerging science suggests. There's no need to go running for the exits, especially with a full pitcher of beer atop the bar.

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LOCAL



Caruso Menswear was a store for some celebs

CARUSO, from page 1

Eventually, the difficulties of being a small business owner in today's market were insurmountable."

For Caruso, the toughest of those difficulties was keeping up with current fashion trends while offering customers competitive prices. Because many men no longer dress as formally as they used to, the store was not selling as much as it had in the past.

"Who wears nice suits everyday anymore?" Jack Caruso said. "Casual is the way to go now and although we've tried to keep up with the trend, no one is going to think of Mike Caruso's when they go looking for T-shirts and jeans."

While the store's income decreased, expenses like workmen's compensation insurance and its rent increased. As a result, Jack Caruso could no longer afford to pay part-time workers, forcing him to work overtime.

"I was virtually running the business by myself," he said. "After a while, it burnt me out. I realized I needed to be spending more time with my wife and son. I would never quit on this store if I didn't have to, but business was dying off and it became obvious it just won't survive over the next few years in this day and age."

Jack Caruso is not the only local business owner to buckle under the pressure of heavy financial burdens. Many smaller, privately-owned businesses have closed their doors in Santa Monica in recent years while corporate-owned stores that can afford to pay high rent prices have opened up.

City officials have recognized that the trend appears to be growing and said they are concerned about the future of independent businesses here.

City Councilman Kevin McKeown attributes the increases in rent to landlords pursuing short-term profits while ignoring the long-term benefits of a solid local business community.

"Santa Monica has always been a city with a lot of community character," McKeown said. "But lately, it seems that the flavor of local business has had more of a cookie-cutter taste to it. That's fine if you like your cookies cut. But if you prefer them to be more natural, then it's a problem."

Caruso's opened in 1944 when 31-year-old retailer Mike Caruso took a gamble and leased a store on Wilshire Boulevard and Fourth Street, which was tucked far away from most of the business activity on Third Street and Santa Monica Boulevard. With the help of his son, Dick, the Carusos were able to grow with the area and settle in.

By the time the store celebrated its 25th anniversary, it had become a fixture in Santa Monica. Actor Richard Burton

and Los Angeles Lakers announcer Chic Hearn were among a list of celebrities who shopped at Caruso's. More impressive, said Dick Caruso, was the loyalty of local customers in the area.

"We had men who would come in to get their wedding tuxes from us because they had also gotten their prom tuxes from us when they were in high school," said Dick Caruso, who retired in 2000 and has since moved to Palm Springs.

"Casual is the way to go now and although we've tried to keep up with the trend, no one is going to think of Mike Caruso's when they go looking for T-shirts and jeans."

— JACK CARUSO
Store owner

When Mike Caruso passed away in 1985, Dick Caruso took over as the store continued to flourish in the 1990s. But after suffering structural damage in the 1994 Northridge earthquake, Caruso's building condition was not conducive for daily operation. For years, they tried to work around the city's slow remodeling plans.

"It was taking too long," Jack Caruso said. "That building meant so much to us, but we knew it would be too much time and money to wait for them to completely remodel it, so we decided to take off."

In 1998, the Carusos moved up the street to their current location on 6th Street and Wilshire Boulevard. They realized that changing venues would be the least of their problems as the new millennium approached.

Jack Caruso also feels parking fee increases and the homeless population near Wilshire Boulevard have kept some customers from coming in.

He begins work in September with Carroll & Company, a men's specialty store in Beverly Hills, where he plans to work less hours and spend more time with his 14-year old son, Kyle. The going out of business sale, which started Wednesday, will be on for two more weeks before the store closes its doors for good.

"It's been an amazing run for all of us," Dick Caruso said. "It's sad that it's now over, but we made a lot of friendships and had great times we are thankful for. It's like the ole' saying goes: 'All good things must come to an end.'"

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CenterLine light rail project won't be on ballot

By The Associated Press

SANTA ANA — Supervisors rejected a proposal to ask voters on the Oct. 7 ballot whether to approve the eight-mile CenterLine light-rail project linking the Santa Ana Transportation Center and John Wayne Airport.

Rep. Loretta Sanchez, D-Santa Ana, led opposition to Supervisor Chris Norby's suggestion for a voter straw poll on the recall ballot. She said it would have put discussions for federal funding at risk.

Norby, who opposes CenterLine, said a favorable vote would "silence most of the critics, including me."

But the prospect of a vote would have killed chances of keeping funding for the project on target in the federal budget, which takes effect Oct. 1, opponents of Norby's proposal said at Tuesday's meeting of the Orange County Board of Supervisors.

"There's a lot of scrutiny and a lot of people playing politics to get their projects funded and not funding other people's projects," Sanchez said. "It's always easy to turn back federal funds, but it's never easy to get back our place in line."

It could be another six years before money would be available if the project weren't funded this year, said Arthur Leahy, executive director of the Orange County Transportation Authority.

The \$1 billion light-rail system relies on federal, state and local funds. The local money would come from voter-approved Measure M in 1990.

Anonymous donor to be named at another time

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best to ease neighbors' parking concerns that have been expressed in the past two years. According to the plan that governs the project, SMC is not allowed to stage events that will require more than 301 parking spots.

"It isn't that every neighbor is thrilled, but most neighbors are OK with it," said Girard, adding that SMC will continually monitor the situation. "And as we've moved forward, they're actually more interested and excited about the project."

Construction of Madison Theater is expected to begin next summer, once state officials sign off on safety issues and contractors bid on the \$15 million cost of construction.

SMC leases the property from the Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District. Girard said the theater currently on the site has been in disrepair and has not been used for 20 years or longer.

In 1998, SMC began exploring options for upgrading the auditorium and in 2001, college officials sought and received the district's approval. By 2002 the height, size of the building and the traffic issues were resolved. In March of 2003, a draft Environmental Impact Review — which is a planning document — was made available to the public.

Sixteen members of the public made written comments on the EIR, Girard said. While most of those comments expressed support for the project, four of them asked for clarification on any impacts the theater might have on the surrounding area.

The final EIR was produced in July. In preparation for Monday's meeting, Girard said the college sent out 1,200 letters to local residents, from 9th Street to 12th Street and Wilshire Boulevard to Broadway. Despite that, only 25 members of the public spoke and only one of those spoke against the project.

Santa Monica architecture firm Renzo Zecchetto Architects drew up the designs for the theater, which will be used for professional shows, as well as SMC and local school district programs.

Michael Stebbins, the firm's Madison Theater project manager, characterized the style of the building simply as modern.

"The way we approach architecture we don't really go after a particular style," he said. "It just sort of develops with a particular piece of property."

Stebbins said Madison Theater was a unique challenge because SMC officials first contacted the firm five years ago and asked it to start working on the project before the specifications had been approved.

As a result, the architects had to design the theater from the inside out, he added.

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— **JOE WEICHMAN**
Advisory board member

The theater features high ceilings, side wings, dressing rooms, an orchestra pit, projection booth and sophisticated acoustics. The exterior of the theater will be landscaped with plants and a water fountain.

Girard said it will take about two years to construct Madison Theater.

So far, \$8 million has been raised privately to fund the project. In order to qualify for some public funding, Girard said SMC must raise \$2 million more.

Two anonymous donors, one who gave \$1 million and the other \$2 million, helped catapult the financing of the project, Girard said. The larger donor is expected to be named before the theater is opened.

Joe Weichman, a member of an advisory board that is overseeing the project, said Monday's vote brought with it a large sense of relief among theater supporters.

"The college is following through with the demands of the community," he said. "This theater will redefine performing arts on the Westside."

STATE



Feinstein bails from race, disappoints some Democrats

RECALL, from page 1

"The politicians are fiddling, fumbling and failing," he said. "The man that is failing the people more than anyone is Gray Davis. He is failing them terribly, and this is why he needs to be recalled and this is why I am going to run for governor."

"I want to clean up Sacramento," he added.

Political commentator Arianna Huffington declared Wednesday that she would run as an independent, one of the only other well-known names in the race so far. Former Los Angeles Mayor Richard Riordan, a moderate Republican, has said he would enter the race if Schwarzenegger, 56, did not.

Polls have shown Riordan would be a stronger candidate than Schwarzenegger in the recall election. Riordan's spokeswoman said the former mayor was deliberating with his family and that no announcement was scheduled before Friday.

Feinstein's decision not to run gave a big boost to Davis, while frustrating some Democrats who wanted her to run to ensure the governorship would remain in the party's hands if Davis lost.

"After thinking a great deal about this recall, its implications for the future and its misguided nature, I have decided that I will not place my name on the ballot," Feinstein said in a statement.

"I deeply believe the recall is a terrible mistake and will bring to the depth and breadth of California instability and uncertainty, which will be detrimental to our economic recovery and decision-making," she said.

The recall election is yet another setback for Davis, who has seen his popularity plummet as the state grapples with a record \$38 billion budget deficit.

It also is the latest force to bedevil Californians, who in recent years have endured an energy crisis, the collapse of the dot-com economy and a federally mandated cutback in one of the state's main water supplies. Residents now face the prospect of higher car taxes and college fees to close the state's budget gap.

Davis is the first California governor to face a recall and would be only the second governor nationwide to be removed from office if the effort succeeds.

Analysts from both parties believed the governor's chances for survival would have dramatically diminished

if Feinstein, who tops polls as California's most popular politician, was on the ballot as an alternative.

Her decision came a day after a strong endorsement for Davis from the AFL-CIO. Both developments were key victories for the governor, whose support from fellow party members had appeared to be weakening.

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— ARNOLD SCHWARZENEGGER
Actor

"I'm very pleased with Sen. Feinstein's announcement," Davis told San Francisco radio station KGO-AM.

"To the extent that Democrats get in the race, it makes it look like a normal election and legitimates what is really an effort by the right wing to steal back an election they couldn't win last November," he said. "I think at the end of the day people will realize that the party is better served rallying around its sitting governor."

Some party members still thought otherwise.

"I want to back the strongest candidate and it's important that we coalesce around one, and now I'm appealing to the leaders, the folks whose pay grade is one or two notches up from mine, to figure out who our strongest candidate is and lead us in coalescing behind that candidate," said Rep. Brad Sherman, D-Calif., who had supported a Feinstein candidacy.

One possibility was U.S. Rep. Loretta Sanchez, who had supported a Feinstein candidacy and said she might run if Feinstein didn't.

"I have a feeling something will be decided tomorrow probably one way or the other," said Sanchez's spokeswoman, Carrie Brooks.

Members of California's congressional delegation discussed the matter in a conference call Wednesday, with the majority leaning toward finding a consensus candidate, said a source familiar with the discussion who spoke on condition of anonymity.

Huffington, the ex-wife of former Republican Congressman Michael Huffington, announced her candidacy at a news conference in Los Angeles.

"I'm not, to say the least, a conventional candidate. But these are not conventional times," she said. "And if we keep electing the same kind of politicians who got us into the same kind of mess funded by the same kind of special interests, we'll never get out of this mess."

Michael Huffington also has taken out papers, but has not indicated whether he will enter the race.

The ballot also is likely to include several conservative Republicans U.S. Rep. Darrell Issa, who funded the recall, is a declared candidate, and state Sen. Tom McClintock filed papers Tuesday. Businessman Bill Simon, who lost to Davis in November, also is expected to run.



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STATE



Officials say state's water sharing deal is unacceptable

BY SETH HETTENA
Associated Press Writer

SAN DIEGO — Six Western states that share the Colorado River with California have told Gov. Gray Davis that they would not accept the latest version of a landmark deal aimed at weaning the nation's most populous state from its over-reliance on the river.

Representatives of Arizona, Colorado, Nevada, New Mexico, Utah and Wyoming signed a letter Tuesday to Davis outlining their problems with the complex deal under consideration by four Southern California water agencies. A copy of the letter was obtained by The Associated Press on Wednesday.

Approval by the six states is crucial to California's hopes of reaching the long-awaited Colorado River-sharing deal sought by the U.S. Interior Department, which oversees the lower Colorado, long a source of intrastate feuding.

The six states found that the 75-year deal, known as the Quantification Settlement Agreement or QSA, has exit clauses "that will undermine its permanence or viability."

The deal also should not be subject to "endless litigation," such as the ongoing court battle between the Interior Department and the water board in the Imperial Valley, the state's biggest user of Colorado River water, the letter said. The water board is fighting the Interior Department's attempts to cut its massive water supply.

Finally, state funding appeared to be in limbo for parts of the deal, such as the construction of a concrete lining to conserve water in the All-American Canal that carries water to the Imperial Valley, the letter stated.

A spokesman for the governor, whose aides helped broker a revised deal between the four water agencies in March, welcomed the letter and said it was simply a matter of "clarification."

"We are definitely working to address the issues they identified," said the spokesman, Byron Tucker. "Overall, we view this as a positive step. Now that we have their issues in writing, we feel we'll be able to avoid potential roadblocks in the future."

The letter's author, Herbert R. Guenther, director of the Arizona Department of Water Resources, did not return a call seeking comment.

The four Southern California agencies met Wednesday in Sacramento with aides to the governor and Bennett Raley, the assistant interior secretary responsible for Western water issues.

In a telephone interview, Raley said the six states must be satisfied before it approves the deal between four Southern California water agencies that involves a massive water transfer from Imperial Valley farmers to San Diego.

"It is very, very important to the secretary that they are comfortable," he said. "There is a long-standing and very deep tradition of consultation between the department and all the states."

"We've had other concerns that continue to be ignored ..."

— ADAN ORTEGA
Spokesman, Metropolitan Water District of Southern California

The deal is also California's ticket to getting back river water that it lost this year.

Interior Secretary Gale Norton cut the amount of water California can draw from the river this year by 15 percent as punishment for the state's failure to reach an agreement by Dec. 31. The state will be able to draw the surplus water for 15 years when a deal is approved.

The Metropolitan Water District of Southern California, the huge, Los Angeles-based water wholesaler serving 18 million people, has held up the deal and has echoed the problems the six states cited with the agreement, including the exit clauses and the uncertain sources of state funding.

"We've had other concerns that continue to be ignored, such as the dramatic drought in the Colorado River basin, which makes it highly unlikely that surplus water would not be available even with an agreement," said Adan Ortega, a spokesman for the agency.

Last month, aides to the governor floated another proposal that addressed the Salton Sea, an inland sump that is a major stop for migratory birds, and shifted the costs of environmental mitigation from taxpayers to water users. The proposal was cheered by environmentalists, but had not been adopted by all four agencies.

Los Angeles considering reactivating warning sirens

By The Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — The city is considering a reactivation of Cold War-era air raid sirens to alert residents of a natural disaster or terrorist attack.

The City Council voted Tuesday to study ways to alert residents of emergencies, including pressing into service the now rusty sirens, many still mounted on utility poles and towers throughout the city. The air raid sirens were silenced in 1986.

The sirens would be used with such 21st century methods as automated phone calls and Internet postings.

Councilwoman Janice Hahn brought up an examination of emergency notification plans, then Councilman Tom LaBonge suggested that officials also study bringing the sirens back into use.

"It's an infrastructure, although very worn and somewhat outdated," he said. "It would alert people to tune into radio stations."

More than 200 of the sirens were installed in the 1950s to warn of nuclear attack.

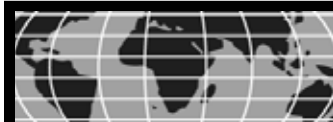


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WORLD BRIEFLY

Indonesian police were warned of attack

By The Associated Press

JAKARTA, Indonesia — Police on Wednesday said they seized documents last month showing terrorists had planned to target the area around Jakarta's Marriott Hotel, where a powerful car bomb a day earlier killed as many as 14 people and injured nearly 150.

Security forces had increased patrols in the Marriott area in response to the seizure but the precautions weren't enough to prevent the suspected suicide attack, which underscored the continuing threat of terrorism in the world's largest Muslim nation.

"There was a warning that there were some targets and we have been anticipating an attack," said Jakarta police spokesman Prasetyo, who like many Indonesians uses a single name.

He said that the documents were seized in the central Java town of Semarang last month, when police arrested seven alleged members of Jemaah Islamiyah.

Officials also said they were investigating two men who allegedly purchased the vehicle used in the bombing, and planned to issue a composite sketch of one of the men later Wednesday.

The Jemaah Islamiyah rebel group, believed linked to the al-Qaida terror network, allegedly claimed responsibility for the hotel bombing in remarks published by Singapore's Straits Times newspaper. But it couldn't immediately determine if the claim was authentic.

Musgrove, Barbour each win primary

By The Associated Press

JACKSON, Miss. — Defeating primary challengers wasn't tough for Democratic Gov. Ronnie Musgrove and former Republican National Committee Chairman Haley Barbour, but the battle between incumbent and national figure could be a real contest in this struggling state.

As expected, Musgrove easily defeated four little-known opponents in Tuesday's Democratic primary, while

Barbour beat out his sole opponent in the GOP race.

Incomplete returns Tuesday night showed Musgrove with 74 percent of the vote in his race, and Barbour with 81 percent in his primary. A simple majority is needed for nomination.

Barbour was Republican national chairman from 1993 to 1997.

Democrats to go through pre-primary

By The Associated Press

CHICAGO — Democrats vying to challenge President Bush in 2004 are first going through a pre-primary before organized labor.

The nine contenders played to labor leaders in the AFL-CIO's presidential forum Tuesday night, offering ambitious plans for health care coverage and restrictions on trade agreements, and criticizing the Bush administration for plans to change overtime pay regulations.

Many eyes were on Dick Gephardt, who has staked his presidential aspirations on support from organized labor. His challenge is to convince skeptical leaders of the large service and public sector unions that he is a viable candidate.

Union presidents will formally discuss the AFL-CIO's endorsement plans in a closed session Wednesday.

Leaders say the likely decision will be to schedule another meeting in October to allow more time for consideration.

Gephardt is the only candidate who could obtain a laborwide endorsement, should it be granted, labor leaders acknowledge.

Terrorists may use electronics for attacks

By The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Travelers may encounter longer lines at airports as screeners focus extra attention on CD players, cameras, laptops and other electronic gadgets that terrorists might try to use to conceal weapons or bombs.

The Homeland Security Department on Tuesday sent an advisory to law enforcement personnel nationwide alerting them to the possibility al-Qaida could use electronics to carry out attacks.

"Al-Qaida operatives have shown a special interest in converting a camera flash attachment into a stun gun type of weapon or improvised explosive device," the advisory said.

David Stempler, president of the Air Travelers Association, said longer lines will be a small price to pay for extra security.

"There's one thing worse than being slightly inconvenienced — it's being permanently inconvenienced," he said.

Among the items that will prompt increased scrutiny at airports are remote keyless door or lock openers, automatic camera flash attachments, cellular phones and multi-band or dual-speaker radios.

Powell visits Bush's ranch

By The Associated Press

CRAWFORD, Texas — President Bush welcomed Secretary of State Colin Powell to his ranch in the first of several visits this week by senior members of his national security team.

Powell and Deputy Secretary of State Richard Armitage flew into nearby Waco at mid-afternoon Tuesday and went to the ranch for dinner.

They planned to talk Wednesday about a range of international issues, including the Middle East and North Korea, said Bush spokesman Scott McClellan.

On Thursday, Vice President Dick Cheney arrives at the ranch before a meeting Friday with Bush and Defense Secretary Donald H. Rumsfeld. National security adviser Condoleezza Rice flew to Texas with Bush when he began a month-long vacation Saturday.

The visit by the State Department leaders came a day after The Washington Post reported that Powell and Armitage intend to leave the administration at the end of Bush's first term, even if Bush should win a second term.

Powell dismissed the report as "gossip" that lacked substance, and said he served at the president's pleasure.

Officials at the State Department and White House would not say whether the two men plan to stay, saying it is premature to speculate about a second term 15 months before the next election.

Seven-member Marine team deploys in Liberia's capital

BY GLENN MCKENZIE

Associated Press Writer

MONROVIA, Liberia — U.S. military helicopters shuttled a seven-member Marine team into Liberia on Wednesday, putting the first American troops on the ground in what Washington stresses will be only limited support for a West African peace force.

A few dozen excited children on Monrovia's Atlantic beaches pointed and waved as the olive-green U.S. military helicopters swept in from U.S. warships far off shore and settled onto a tarmac pad out of sight behind the U.S. Embassy's high white walls.

"We feel happy because we're tired of what is happening. We expect them to bring peace for us," said Andrew Sarte, a 32-year old refugee, and one of the few adults among the clustered children.

Within minutes, the Marines rolled out in four-wheel drives and sped away to meet with leaders of the 3-day-old West African mission at its temporary base at Liberia's main airport. There, the Marines, in green camouflage uniforms and armed with automatic rifles, entered a Liberian military installation for talks with force commander Nigerian Brig. Gen. Festus Okonkwo.

At a hangar, Americans and Nigerians sat surrounded by duffel bags and Nigerian armored personnel carriers, army trucks and fuel rigs, conferring and taking notes.

"There are certain things we cannot provide you with," one American could be heard telling his Nigerian counterparts.

Col. B.M. Monguno, a Nigerian defense attaché, told reporters the Americans had come to hear from the West Africans about "our logistical needs."

President Bush said Wednesday he sent the contingent to help clear the way for humanitarian relief, adding that he still expects Liberian President Charles Taylor to leave the country.

"This is all part of doing what is necessary to help (West African troops), going in to provide the conditions necessary for humanitarian relief to arrive, whether it be by sea or by air," Bush said.

Taylor, a former warlord who is blamed in 14 years of conflict here and who has been indicted for war crimes in nearby Sierra Leone, has pledged to cede power Monday, and go into exile in Nigeria at some publicly unspecified time later — but many are skeptical he will do so.

A senior administration official said Tuesday that the cadre could grow to 20 in coming days — but cautioned it should not be seen as the vanguard of a larger U.S. force.

The United Nations, European and African countries and Liberians themselves have pressed the United States to intervene in Liberia, where two months of rebel sieges have killed well over 1,000 civilians and left the government-held

center of the city desperately short of food and clean water.

Washington has said repeatedly it will play only a limited role. The United States oversaw Liberia's 19th-century founding by freed American slaves, and Liberia remained one of the United States' leading trade and strategic partners in Africa up to the end of the Cold War.

The small deployment Wednesday stirred little notice in a capital preoccupied with the search for food.

Markets in government-held Monrovia held only potato greens and chili peppers. Rice, the key staple, was nowhere to be seen.

Across the bridges marking Monrovia's front lines, thousands of civilians poured out of the rebel-held port carrying bags of rice on their heads.

They said rebels were doling out the food free of charge from shipping containers requisitioned by the renegade force.

"They gave me two persons' share because I helped them carry," said Prince Maxwell, a 22-year-old university student.

Volunteer doctors were treating wounded rebel soldiers and civilian sick at a makeshift clinic set up in the cargo bay of the city's Club beer factor, near the port.

Doctors said they had almost no antibiotics, painkillers or even bandages and sutures.

"We want the government side to allow us medicine because our wounds are dangerous," said Hassan Konneh, a 28-year-

old rebel soldier who groaned from the pain of a bullet wound to his leg.

West African military and civilian officials and U.S. Ambassador John Blaney have tried to persuade the rebels to open access to the port and its commercial and aid warehouses.

Rebel officers have set different conditions — some saying they will yield the port when peacekeepers come there, others saying President Taylor must cede power and leave Liberia before they will go.

Nigerian commanders said initially Wednesday they would deploy to the port later in the day, but the move was postponed to Thursday to allow the force at the airport outside the city to build in strength.

Okonkwo, the force commander, said the force on the ground had built to 500 Nigerian soldiers and five armored personnel carriers.

West African leaders have promised a total of 3,250-strong force from at least six African countries.

Taylor's government said over the weekend that he will leave only when enough peace troops are on the ground, and when the war-crimes indictment against him is dropped.

On Wednesday, the World Court confirmed that Liberia had asked it to stop the war crimes prosecution. Officials at the World Court, the U.N.'s highest judicial body, said it would have jurisdiction only if Sierra Leone agrees.

SPORTS



Kobe case draws wide television exposure for hearing

BY DAVID BAUDER

AP Television Writer

NEW YORK — In a sign of the intense media spotlight that awaits him, six cable TV networks provided live coverage Wednesday of Kobe Bryant's brief court appearance on the sexual assault charge against him.

The cable news networks CNN, Fox News Channel and MSNBC were joined by Court TV, ESPN and E! Entertainment Television to monitor the NBA star's appearance in Eagle County court in Colorado.

"All this media coverage for two words," said MSNBC's Keith Olbermann, a former sportscaster who cut short his vacation to anchor his network's coverage. Bryant addressed Judge Frederick Gannett once in waiving his right to a quick hearing.

Bryant's court appearance took place

hours before Fox was to air the Teen Choice Awards, taped earlier. The Los Angeles Lakers' star turned up to accept an award as favorite male athlete.

The court appearance led the sports network ESPN to bring in former CNN legal expert Roger Cossack for analysis, and E! to briefly stop talking about hairstyles and celebrity dating — proof Bryant's celebrity cuts across several worlds.

The quick, procedural hearing tested the TV networks' ability to think of things to say.

Fox News Channel discussed the meaning of Bryant's wife's absence. Court TV dissected his clothing. And Olbermann, broadly reaching, connected Bryant's exit in an SUV to O.J. Simpson's Ford Bronco.

CNN talked about the crowd that shouted at Bryant as he left the courtroom.

Meanwhile, it was announced that

Pitkin County Sheriff Bob Braudis will take over as lead investigator in the case. Aspen is the county seat of Pitkin County and is located less than 100 miles from Eagle, Colo.

Court TV measures public interest in the case not just in ratings, but in how much its anchors and reporters are in demand to come talk about the case on other networks, said Court TV president Art Bell.

The network expanded Catherine Crier's nightly newscast for the hearing and scheduled a prime-time documentary on the case.

It's a fascinating case that not only delves into the nuances of what is or isn't sexual assault but puts a spotlight on how society treats sports heroes, Bell said.

"I think there is a whole lot of interest," said Mark Efron, vice president of live news programming at MSNBC. "It's one of those stories that is the nexus of a lot of different points."

Familiar faces from past big trials made reappearances throughout the television day, including Jeffrey Toobin and Nancy Grace on CNN and Dan Abrams on MSNBC. Fox News Channel showed a picture of its satellite truck to illustrate a segment on the attention given to the case.

Bryant's legal troubles have pushed aside, at least for a time, cable news' previous obsession: the Laci Peterson murder case from California. A reporter MSNBC recently hired to cover the Peterson case, Sumi Das, was sent to Colorado instead.

SPORTS IN BRIEF

By The Associated Press

BASKETBALL

■ **EAGLE, Colo.** — Kobe Bryant's lawyers asked a judge to punish any law enforcement officers who discussed the sexual assault case with reporters in violation of a court order.

The lawyers want Eagle County Judge Frederick Gannett to schedule a hearing so officers can be questioned under oath about whether they leaked information.

The request came after news reports in the past week quoted anonymous sources who described reported injuries to the accuser and the amount of time she spent in Bryant's room. The sources also said Bryant gave inconsistent statements to law enforcement officials.

Bryant is charged with felony sexual assault against a 19-year-old woman who worked at an exclusive resort hotel in nearby Edwards when Bryant stayed there June 30. He has said the sex was consensual.

Earlier, Gannett released a brief that detailed the prosecution's argument against releasing court documents to the public. He omitted details that could be used to identify the woman or that could jeopardize the investigation.

Gannett has yet to rule on the media's request to gain access to documents including the arrest affidavit, search warrants and other material. Lawyers representing NBC, The Denver Post and other media organizations have argued that the public has a right to view the documents.

■ **MILWAUKEE** — Terry Porter, a native of Milwaukee who played 17 seasons in the NBA, has been hired to coach the Bucks, according to a league source.

The Bucks called a news conference for 4 p.m. Wednesday to introduce their new coach. The source, speaking on condition of anonymity, said it will be Porter, who was an assistant with the Sacramento Kings last season.

■ **PHILADELPHIA** — Derrick Coleman has re-signed with the Philadelphia 76ers, a team source said.

The signing will be announced at an 11 a.m. news conference Wednesday morning, said the source, speaking on condition of anonymity.

BASEBALL

■ **HOUSTON** — Astros second baseman Jeff Kent was suspended for two games and fined as a result of his argument with umpire Matt Hollowell during a game against the Chicago Cubs on July 26.

Kent appealed the penalty and was in Houston's lineup for against the New York Mets. A date for a hearing has not been set. The suspension, imposed by Major League Baseball vice president Bob Watson, will not take effect until the appeal is heard.

Kent is alleged to have pushed Houston manager Jimmy Williams into Hollowell after being ejected while disputing a check swing call.

TENNIS

■ **MONTREAL** — Wimbledon champion Roger Federer won the last four games to cap an impressive comeback against Gaston Gaudio in the first round of the Canada Masters.

The third-seeded Federer was trailing 5-3 in the last set. Moments earlier, he was down three break points serving at 2-4, 0-40. He had to save another break point serving at 1-3.

■ **ESPOO, Finland** — Top-seeded Patty Schnyder of Switzerland was eliminated in the first round, losing to Silvija Talaja of Croatia 7-6 (4), 6-2 at the Nordea Nordic Light Open.

Schnyder, ranked 17th, lost in the final last year. Talaja, ranked 67th, is coming off a doubles victory in a WTA Tour event in Sopot, Poland.

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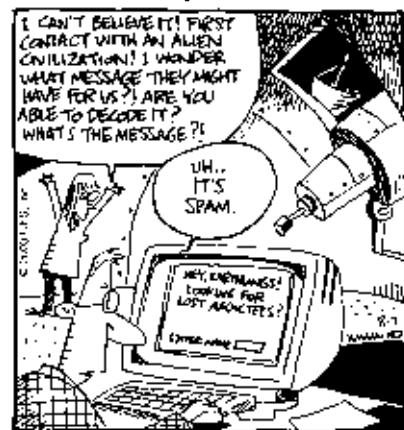
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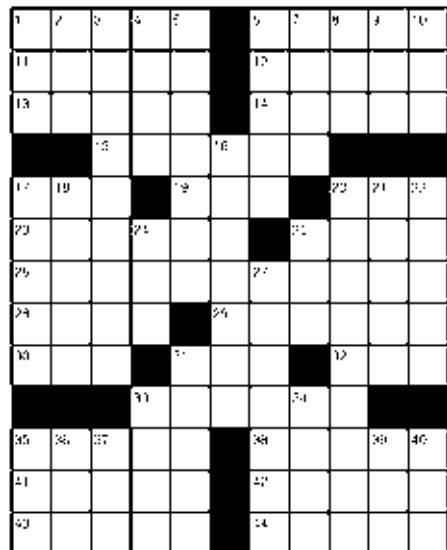
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PEOPLE IN THE NEWS

'American Idol' winner was secretly paid to don clothes

By The Associated Press

■ **BIRMINGHAM, Ala.** — Owners of hip-hop clothing maker 205 Flava Inc. say they secretly paid Ruben Studdard to wear the company's bright jerseys on "American Idol," despite a ban by the program on such deals.

A lawyer for owners Willie and Frederick Jenkins responded Monday to a lawsuit filed by Studdard last week accusing the brothers of wrongly profiting from his image as the second "American Idol" winner.

The Jenkins' lawyer, at a news conference, showed copies of \$10,000 in checks made out to Studdard's brother, Kevin Studdard, and his manager, Ron Edwards.

Lawyer LaVeada Morgan Battle, who spoke on behalf of the Jenkins brothers, said Studdard told them to "keep this confidential" because the Fox network prohibits "American Idol" contestants from entering into contracts while on the show.

Studdard refused comment Monday. "The public will hear from us soon," said Studdard's lawyer, Byron Perkins.

Willie Jenkins had told The Birmingham News about the payments in a June interview. "When he wore the clothing, we paid him," he said at the time.

Studdard approached 205 Flava around March about being paid to wear the jerseys on the show, Battle said. He asked for \$1,000 a week to wear the merchandise, and payments eventually grew to \$1,500 a week as the singer advanced in the show, Battle said.

"The payments were made as full and fair compensation," Battle said.

"We have major sponsors like Old Navy," said Michael Jaffa, vice president of business and legal affairs for American Idol Productions Inc., explaining the ban on outside contracts. "There were issues promoting a brand in competition with our sponsors."

Studdard's lawsuit says it was his idea to print 205 — the area code of his hometown, Birmingham — in large numbers across the jerseys. Battle said that design was used before Studdard ever wore them.

Studdard's lawsuit also says the men weren't authorized to use his image to promote their jerseys on the company's Web site. They didn't remove the image immediately because they were hoping to reach a deal with Studdard's management, Battle said.

■ **VERO BEACH, Fla.** — "America's Most Wanted" host John Walsh and his wife have jointly dismissed their divorce lawsuit, an attorney for Reve Walsh said.

Attorney Odette Bendeck said Tuesday that the couple is "happily reconciled" and committed to their marriage. A dismissal of all divorce actions was filed in state court in Indian River County, where Reve Walsh filed for divorce in July 2002.

Seeking custody of the couple's two underage children, Reve Walsh had said in court papers that her marriage was irretrievably broken. They'd been married 32 years.

The Walshes' son, Adam, then 6, was abducted July 27, 1981, from a Broward County Sears store. His head was found 14 days later and 120 miles away in a canal on the west side of Vero Beach.

Adam's death led his parents to co-found the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children in Alexandria, Va., in 1984.

■ **NEW YORK** — Kevin Costner doesn't care that "Waterworld," his futuristic blockbuster from 1995, was a major flop with critics.

"They don't have that 'Waterworld' ride in Universal Studios because it's not popular," the actor-director tells Diane Sawyer in an interview on ABC's "Primetime Thursday," airing at 10 p.m. EDT. "It's a great movie, it really is."

"I know it made a lot of money," he adds.

Costner, 48, also says that one of his biggest hits, 1992's "The Bodyguard," almost had a sequel — and it would have starred Princess Diana. He said he'd been talking with her about succeeding Whitney Houston,

and got the script for the film on Aug. 31, 1997 — the day Diana died in a Paris car crash.

"She was very quiet. She was really sweet. And I said, 'Yeah, there's going to be a kissing scene.' And she laughed," Costner says. "There was a very real thing between us in terms of doing this movie. ... She hadn't said yes to it, but she had indicated to me that she knew her life was going to change."

Costner's latest film, the Western "Open Range," will be in theaters Aug. 15.

■ **LOS ANGELES** — The Southern rock band Lynyrd Skynyrd canceled the remainder of its co-headline tour with Sammy Hagar because of the health woes of founding lead guitarist Gary Rossington.

Rossington, who underwent successful open-heart surgery in February, had received permission to head out on the "Party of a Lifetime" tour with Hagar beginning July 19. Lynyrd Skynyrd's own "Vicious Cycle" tour had been set to begin Aug. 23 in Omaha, Neb.

Rossington, 51, underwent quintuple bypass surgery Feb. 25 at an Atlanta area hospital. But last week, Rossington's doctor ordered him to rest because of fatigue, band spokesman Latham Nelson said Tuesday.

Further tests by Dr. Matthew W. Gwynn determined Rossington had suffered a mild seizure. Rossington, who was released from the Atlanta area hospital Monday, will need at least three weeks of rest before touring, Gwynn said.

There were no details about the seizure, Nelson said. "We're hopeful that Gary will have a speedy recovery and look forward to performing in the near future," Johnny Van Zant, the band's lead singer, said in a statement, adding, "Lynyrd Skynyrd encourages all of the fans to head out and see Sammy carry the torch."

Lynyrd Skynyrd hopes to reschedule performances in cities where concerts have been canceled, Nelson said.

The band's hits over the past 30 years include "Gimme Three Steps," "Freebird" and "Sweet Home Alabama."

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