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NEWS OF THE WEIRD
BY CHUCK SHEPARD

■ A former police official and current aggressive, respected Wellington, New Zealand, litigator, Rob Moodie, 67, said in July that he is tired of the old-boy network of male lawyers and judges, and that henceforth he will show his disdain by dressing in women's clothes in court. The worse the "corruption" he senses, the frillier will be his outfits, said the married father of three, who also said he happens to like women's clothes, but that it took the pervasive male courthouse culture to bring that into the open. Moodie said already he has enjoyed giving "a flash of lace at the urinal" but said he would keep his trademark moustache.

■ The New York Advisory Committee on Judicial Ethics ruled in July that judges can, if they wish, carry guns in the courtroom if they are otherwise permitted by state law, provided the judges are "patient, dignified and courteous."

QUOTE OF THE DAY

"The only time people dislike gossip is when you gossip about them."

WILL ROGERS

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What a shrimp



Fabian Lewkowicz/Daily Press

KICKING IT UP A NOTCH: Culinary student Phil Kinkade, 25, prepares a shrimp pesto crostini during this week's Santa Monica Chamber of Commerce's networking mixer that was held at the Art Institute of California-Los Angeles.

LOCAL

Farmer's Market driver to stand trial within weeks

BY KEVIN HERRERA

Daily Press Staff Writer

DOWNTOWN LA — More than three years after he lost control of his Buick LaSabre and drove through a crowded Farmer's Market, killing 10 and injuring 63 others, George Russell Weller will stand trial for vehicular manslaughter.

Jury selection begins Sept. 8 at the Clara Shortridge Foltz Criminal



RUSSELL WELLER

See WELLER TRIAL, page 12

Congressman delivers strong message to USPS

BY KEVIN HERRERA

Daily Press Staff Writer

WASHINGTON, D.C. — With residents in pockets of Santa Monica and West Los Angeles still experiencing delays in mail deliveries, Congressman Henry Waxman, (D-Los Angeles), has called on the inspector general of the United States Postal Service to conduct an investigation and come up with short-term and long-lasting solutions to rectify poor mail service.

Waxman, the highest-ranking minority member on the Committee on Government Reform, has been pressuring the highest-ranking members of the USPS to investigate since last fall, when dozens of con-

stituents compiled complaints and forwarded them to the congressman. Shortly after that, Waxman held face-to-face meetings with Postmaster General John E. Potter, at which time complaints from constituents were handed over to Potter, making him aware of problems specific to Santa Monica.

On Aug. 3, Waxman made an official request to Inspector General David Williams, who conducts audits and tracks the accuracy of postal employees for the postmaster general.

"For some time now, constituents in my congressional district and surrounding districts have complained

See GOING POSTAL, page 12

Barnum Hall to become public theater

BY KEVIN HERRERA

Daily Press Staff Writer

CITY HALL — After spending more than \$7.5 million to restore Santa Monica High School's Barnum Hall to its original glory, school officials are considering an additional \$176,500 to make the theater suitable for expanded community and commercial use.

The majority of the money — \$88,000 — would go towards hiring a theater manager to oversee the daily maintenance of the historic performance hall, as well as hiring technical staff for various productions, and who would be responsible for artistic programming.

That individual also would serve as an adjunct professor to the Stage Craft Technology class, teaching Samohi students how to run lights and sound boards, as well as how to operate a theater day-to-day. The class is currently offered at Malibu High School, however, the school board is expected to approve its expansion to Samohi.

Other expenditures would include marketing to expand awareness at the hall and attract quality acts; cosmetic improvements such as new bathrooms, landscaping and a marquee; new signage to direct visitors to public parking; installing an LCD projector, a podium and computer network for power point presentations; and creating an annual operating budget of \$15,000.

The school board Thursday

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The City Council has adopted
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other City facilities. Please review
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your suggestion. Go to smgov.net
for details.



The park will have a large synthetic turf sports field,
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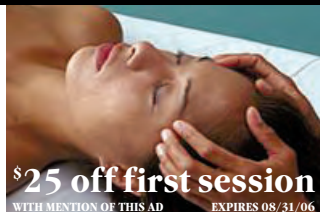
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JACQUELINE BIGAR'S STARS The stars show the kind of day you'll have:

★★★★★ DYNAMIC ★★★★★ POSITIVE ★★★★★ AVERAGE ★★★★★ SO-SO ★★★★★ DIFFICULT



ARIES (March 21-April 19)

★★★★ Though you might not be energetic,
much that occurs is quite satisfying. You don't
always need to be first or out there. A partner or
dear friend enjoys mellowing out with you. Share
more of yourself. **Tonight:** At home.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

★★★★ Answer your phone or doorbell.
Before you know it, you'll have plans. Once more,
you discover the pleasure of socializing. The
unexpected will take you in a new direction if you
just respond to events. Others want to hear from
you. **Tonight:** Say yes. Share.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

★★ Expenses could be out of whack; you
have let them get that way. Take charge, and you
have taken the first step in getting everything
under control. You might be amazed by some of
the ways you can eliminate costs. **Tonight:**
Remember, fun doesn't need to cost.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

★★★★ Enjoy center stage. Make deci-
sions that make you happy. Your instincts and
emotions merge. If you follow through on what
you feel, you'll plunge into merriment, success
and creativity. The love tom-toms beat. **Tonight:**
What would make the Moon Child happy?

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

★★ Take your time and work behind the
scenes. You cannot always find the answers
through direct communication. Partners' insights
are interesting and unexpected. Close to home is
where you are happiest. **Tonight:** Add more mys-
tery to your life. Vanish with a loved one.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

★★★★ Take the obvious road to get
where you want to be. You could be delighted by
what happens. Don't put others in a box; you will
find out why soon enough. Communication is
abundant and active. Return calls. **Tonight:** Chat
up a storm.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

★★★ Some of you might need to work or
handle responsibilities. Though you might not be
delighted, you'll discover a lot of positives once
you get going. Often, in order to make money,
you need to spend some. Still, don't go over-
board. **Tonight:** Out on the town.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

★★★★ Even if you hadn't intended to, split
town or go off on a day trip. Spontaneity and
adventure recharge your batteries. Excitement
adds to the quality of a special relationship.
Children can be quirky. **Tonight:** Read between
the lines.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

★★★★ Smile, as someone makes it quite
clear how much he or she wants to be alone with
you. If you worry less and simply hang in there,
you could enjoy yourself far more than you
thought possible. **Tonight:** Let someone else run
the show.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

★★★★ Surround yourself with people you
like and do what you most want. Happiness is
contagious. Let others understand what is going
on with you. The unexpected occurs and can be
exciting if you don't buck the trend. **Tonight:** Out
and about.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

★★★★ Getting a project moving allows you
to gain a sense of confidence and leadership. You
feel on top of your game. You might be difficult to
stop. Listen to feedback from someone you
admire. You pull the wild card financially. **Tonight:**
Choose an easygoing activity.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

★★★★ Your emotional instincts are right-
on. Follow them, and you might even surprise
yourself. Be willing to blaze a new trail, and you
will have many reasons to smile. An unusual but
happy person punctuates your day. **Tonight:** Use
your imagination.

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COMMUNITY BRIEFS

Santa Monica enters race toward clean energy

By Daily Press staff

Santa Monica and 13 other cities, representing nearly 4 million citizens, have signed on to the Energy Freedom Challenge (EFC) in its first year.

Each city has publicly taken a strong stand in support of clean, renewable and domestically-produced energy. The EFC is also dubbed "America's Race to Independence through Renewable Energy."

The other 13 founding cities include Austin, Tex.; San Diego; Portland, Ore.; Sacramento; Albuquerque, NM.; Eugene, Ore., Ann Arbor, Mich.; Boulder, Colo.; Santa Barbara, Alameda, Calif.; Cuyahoga Falls, Willits, and Moab, Utah. In an effort to encourage U.S. cities to achieve independence from foreign and environmentally harmful energy sources, the race challenges cities to satisfy over half of their electricity needs using clean energy resources such as wind, solar and bioenergy. To meet the challenge, municipalities, consumers, government, energy providers, industry, and advocates must work together.

"The city of Santa Monica supports the Energy Freedom Challenge and commits to increasing its renewable energy use through clean distributed generation systems," said Santa Monica Mayor Bob Holbrook. "We are launching a long-term Community Energy Independence Initiative that will install energy efficiency and solar systems in Santa Monica homes and businesses. We believe that this is the path towards energy independence."

Participating cities will submit annual tracking reports itemizing electricity purchases — expressed in megawatt hours, or MWhs — by type of resource (e.g. solar, wind, geothermal) and method of purchase (e.g. on-site generation, renewable energy certificates, green pricing program).

Cities compete in four different size categories, from populations under 50,000 to those more than 500,000. Cities that submitted their official entry forms in year one of the EFC are "founding cities" and will comprise the EFC advisory board. Cities that join in year two and beyond will be designated "freedom cities."

Two sponsor groups created and manage the EFC. Solar Austin, a clean energy advocacy group located in Austin, Tex., oversees all business and management aspects of the EFC. The Union of Concerned Scientists (UCS), the nation's leading science-based non-profit working for a healthy environment and safer world, defines all technical aspects of the EFC, including metrics and competition rules. The U.S. Department of Energy, through its Solar America Initiative, awarded initial funding to Solar Austin to launch the Challenge.

For more information, visit www.energyfreedomchallenge.org or contact Joni Gilton, EFC program coordinator, at (512) 306-0898, or joni@energyfreedomchallenge.org.

Community plays ball for shelter dogs

By Daily Press staff

Community leaders, friends and softball players turned out on Aug. 12 at Memorial Park to play the staff and volunteers of K9 Connection in a fundraising softball game to benefit homeless shelter dogs and at-risk school youth.

Spectators and players dined on free Mexican fare before hitting the diamond to support K9's adoption outreach volunteering program and their three-week classes for counselor-referred teens from participating local schools.

"Our volunteers take a short training class at the city of Santa Monica's Animal Shelter

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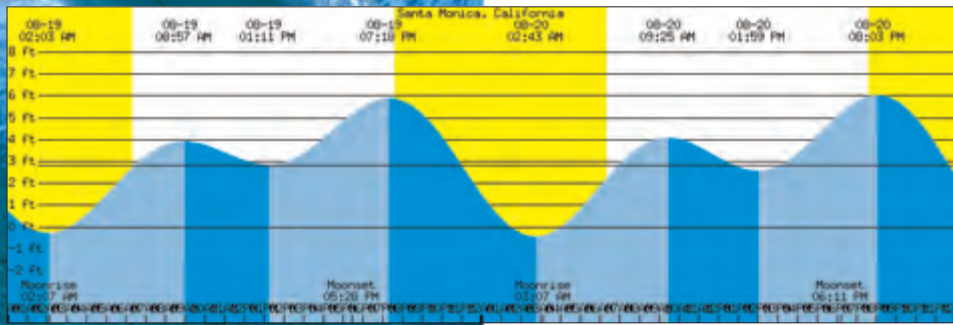
SURF CONDITIONS

WATER TEMP: 69°

SWELL FORECAST (3-4 FT)
The SW swell should peak with size waist high for south facing breaks. We're also expecting some energy from what is about to become Hurricane Hector. This is expected to bring in some 12-second periods with wave heights running waist to possibly chest high at times at breaks able to pull in its 180-degree energy (mostly below LA).

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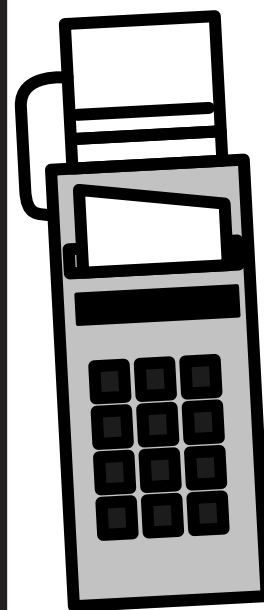
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The Q-Line

Too MANY ISSUES

This past week, Q-line asked: **"What initiatives or races have your attention heading into election season? Are there too many entries on the ballot?"** Here are your responses:

© "It is interesting that most professions require a formal education and testing prior to licensing. A politician simply runs for office, slices the bologna thick, and is often elected to control a city, state, or entire country. If there was ever an era for voters to exercise caution, it is now. Prudence dictates that we research every issue and candidate prior to placing a pen on the ballot."

© "These ballots are too long. They always sneak on some bond measure so they can have an excuse to raise taxes. We don't need all these bond measures because they're all just a scam anyway. There's always too many people running for offices that don't mean much. Most of these people are idiots anyway and every time they get elected, next time we're trying to get rid of them, and it never ends. The only good thing about it is that while there's so many people, only a few of them will actually win anything."

© "The initiative that I'm most interested and opposed to is the so-called clean beaches and ocean initiative. Everybody knows that most of the water that's in the bay, the pollution comes from outside the city. So I'll be damned if I'm going to pay \$250 a year to clean up everybody else's mess, when they're not contributing anyway, so I'm voting 'no' on that one."

© "I am concerned about two: First, Julia Bromley's race. Could we find anyone that's going to do the job worse than Fran Pavely has done? I don't know who her opponent is, but a non-school district board member is a

big plus. Next is the \$268 million school bond. Education expense is one of the biggest scams in this country. Between SMC and the school district over the last 20 years, I bet the taxpayers have been soaked for close to \$800 million. Every time some minority board member whines about social promotion or a level playing field, half the parents in this town go weak in the knees thinking they might have to pay for a private school. Instead, dummies in this town give their kids an over inflated, costly education. Don't believe me? How about the new superintendent — she has no Ph.D. Sounds like an expensive carpetbagger to me."

© "I know my greatest concern should be the local governor's fight, but I find myself fascinated with the fiasco going on in Connecticut. I always considered Lieberman a Republican in Democrat's clothing. But now I see he is an arrogant, sore loser, self-centered dirty player, and a danger to the Democratic party in Connecticut. I hope his remaining followers recognize him for what he is, because if he takes votes away from the legal Democratic candidate, he will be putting the Republican one in office. Wake up, Connecticut. And by the way, how did Gore ever pick him to be VP?"

© "I'm going to be watching the water tax that the council has put on the ballot. It's grossly unfair that they should ask the Santa Monica property owners to fund all of the cleanup when all, well most, of the pollution is coming from outside Santa Monica."

Liquid gel on planes leaves a bad taste



MODERN TIMES

BY LLOYD GARVER

By now we all know that the latest threats to airline travel are liquid and gel explosives. A terrorist attack was apparently thwarted when those types of explosives were exposed as having the dangerous potential that many of us had been unaware of. Up until now, I thought hair gel was just a slimy, smelly product that made my nose itch when the guy next to me had it on. I thought a diet soda was just a fat guy's rationalization to help him wash down a pizza. I thought nail polish remover was, well nail polish remover. But like the rest of the world, now I know that these and other common products are potential weapons.

When hearing about the bans on things like lipstick and bottled water, I heard many people complain about the inconvenience. I wasn't one of them. As with all the other safety measures, if I have to be slightly inconvenienced in order to be protected, that's OK with me. I admit that at first I was worried that we weren't going to be allowed to board the plane with any fluids in our bodies, either. But once I was reassured that wasn't the case, the whole thing didn't seem like a big deal to me.

No, I wasn't disturbed by the potential inconvenience. I was disturbed by the news coverage of these liquid explosives that I think went too far. I appreciated that the press applauded those who protect us. But then the media went a step farther into the dubious zone. They taught us all how to turn these everyday products into weapons.

In my opinion, it would have been enough to report that these things could be made into weapons. But on every newscast that I saw, in every paper that I read, there were very explicit directions for how to make explosives out of these products. Was this really necessary? Was a step-by-step "cookbook" of instructions really an important part of the news story? Wouldn't it have been sufficient to inform us that in the wrong hands, these things could be dangerous?

I'm a big fan of the First Amendment. In fact, it's one of my favorites. So, I'm not suggesting that the press and others be banned

from giving out information that could be dangerous. I'm just asking for a little common sense and restraint.

Anyone can go on the Internet and get instructions for making a nuclear bomb. Somehow, this doesn't please me as a demonstration of how much free information is out there for every individual. I wouldn't be surprised if there were sites named "How To Impersonate A Secret Service Agent," or "The Home Phone Numbers And Addresses Of Every Pilot In The United States," or "How To Break Out Of A Maximum Security Prison." But I wouldn't be happy to learn that they were on my neighbor's "favorites" list.

Suppose you were an alienated young man, watching the news reports on the liquid explosive dangers last week. You're already bored writing crank letters and making phony phone calls to the bullies who picked on you at school and the girls who turned you down when you asked them out. You've been fired from every job you've ever had because the boss always had it out for you. Several psychiatrists have prescribed medication for you, but you stopped taking it because you didn't like its side effect — it took the edge off. When you're in a crowd, nobody seems to notice you. You desperately want attention. Is it the best idea in the world for the nightly news to teach this kid how to blow up a plane?

I would much rather see those reporters turn their serious faces towards the airlines, and talk about how they should pitch in during this crisis. And how can they pitch in? Once everyone has boarded, just give each passenger a bottle of water, a toothbrush and some toothpaste. They could give it out instead of those little bags of pretzels and wheat chex or whatever that cardboard-tasting snack is supposed to be. That way, we could all be safe on the plane, but we wouldn't have to be thirsty and we'd all have fresh smiles. That kind of journalistic approach would have left a good taste in my mouth.

(Lloyd Garver has written for many television shows, ranging from "Sesame Street" to "Family Ties" to "Frasier." He also has read many books, some of them in hardcover. He writes the "Modern Times" column for CBSnews.com's opinion page and a weekly column for SportsLine.com. He can be reached at smdp@lloydgarvermoderntimes.com.)

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Cleaning up the record

Editor:

I would appreciate being allowed to have the opportunity to respond to Ms. Karen Hernandez's comments regarding the "smell" on 17th Street between Olympic Boulevard and Michigan Avenue (SMDP, Aug. 15, page 4). We have been practicing veterinary medicine seven days a week on this corner for over 20 years with never a complaint. We take it upon ourselves to clean and sweep the sidewalk about once a day. Most of the time there are leaves, trash, plastic bags, cans, and liquor bottles on the sidewalk. Other people besides our clients walk their dogs on this overpass. It is a long stretch over the 10 freeway with no grass, only cement. I personally have never seen the city of Santa Monica in 21 years sweep this sidewalk. Homeless people live across the street and under the freeway and there is often trash, blankets, and old sleeping bags in the bushes next to the street.

Last week apparently some animal died in the brush next to the freeway causing the smell in the area which had nothing to do with our so-called "sick" clients and their pets. I suggest this area under the freeway needs to be cleaned and monitored by the city. If Ms. Hernandez's suggestion is to issue a citation, my suggestion is for all of us to pitch in, helping keep the area clean. I will be very happy to allow Ms. Hernandez to help us maintain the area. Perhaps next time the "daily newspaper with issues" should speak first with the veterinary clinic in question or investigate the source of the complaint. We also appreciate Ms. Hernandez for thanking our staff for cleaning up the sidewalk.

Kenneth Jones, DVM
Santa Monica

Developers are deplorable

Editor:

We attended the farce called a "public hearing" on Aug. 11.

The shady, deceitful dealing of the "Or Khaim Hashalom" religious entity is — in our conviction — a tricky scheme to realize huge profits at the expense of poor, working American tenants and still poorer seniors. The developer's "hired guns" — Rosario Perry and Ms. Hirsh, plus Rabbi Hertzl Illulian enhanced the repulsive picture.

These peddlers of falsehood and hypocrisy demonstrate complete disregard of human values, dignity and common decency.

They should never be allowed to get away with these despicable shenanigans.

Steven and Ruth Drew
Santa Monica

A historic conversion

Editor:

The solution to avoid eviction for the tenants in the Teriton Apartments is simple. The city of Santa Monica should give Community Corp. of Santa Monica the money to buy this building and convert it to an affordable housing project. The Or Khaim Hashalom organization can use the money from the sale to purchase a property that is not a landmark, develop the replacement property to meet their needs, and this is a win-win situation for everyone involved. I urge the City Manager to direct the staff to take the appropriate action to convert this historic building to an affordable housing project.

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Illegal dump fire to cost millions

Cleanup of an illegal dump on an Indian reservation in the Coachella Valley will cost millions of dollars, federal officials said.

A four-day blaze burned about six acres of the 40-acre Lawson Dump on the Torres Martinez Desert Cahuilla reservation before it was extinguished on Monday.

The fire started three days after a Riverside federal judge ordered the dump closed and operators, including tribal member Kim Lawson, off the site.

Officials returned to the dump site Thursday and found car parts, chemically treated lumber, oil and electronics that can contain lead, copper, mercury and other toxic waste.

For 14 years, dump fires have regularly sent smoke billowing toward nearby homes and schools as well as across the Coachella Valley.

“There is nothing of this extent on any other reservation,” said Lisa Northrop, a regional natural resources officer for the Bureau of Indian Affairs. “This is going to be, easily, a multimillion-dollar cleanup.”

Firefighters would only say the fire was “human caused” but Northrop called it arson.

“This particular dump emanated some very, very strong noxious and toxic smoke. The size and scope, complexity and content of the material contained in this fire have not been seen by us, burning, in this valley,” said Battalion Chief Ray Paiz of the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection/Riverside County Fire Department.

Exposure to the fumes sickened three firefighters, Paiz said.

“If you look through the pile, you can pick out any number of synthetic materials that gives off poisonous gases,” Paiz said. “The impact of it is what it does to the community around it.”

Tribal chairman Ray Torres has spoken out against the dump and cooperated with authorities who shut it down.

Cleanup could be delayed until a court fight between the federal government and dump operators is over, Northrop said.

LOS ANGELES

Cops may get free ride

Uniformed officers may soon be allowed to ride Metropolitan Transportation Authority buses and trains for free.

Thursday’s proposal by an MTA committee said the proposal is designed to increase security, adding the benefits far outweigh the cost.

“The more they ride, the more security we have,” MTA deputy chief executive John Catoe said.

The MTA board will consider the proposal next week.

The committee report said the presence of law enforcement officers “helps to increase vigilance, minimize criminal activity, and ensure the safety and security of transit patrons and employees.”

The LAPD does not keep track of how officers get to work, and Catoe said he didn’t expect thousands of uniformed officers to get out of their cars and onto buses each day.

Deputy Chief Sharon Papa said most officers travel to and from work in civilian clothes, changing into their uniforms at the start of each shift.

The Metrolink commuter rail service and Foothill Transit already offer free service to police.

LOS ANGELES

Tailgates disappearing in valley

There’s been a rash of tailgate thefts in the San Fernando Valley.

Thirty-six pickup truck tailgates have been stolen so far this year in the LAPD’s Mission Division, which covers the communities of Granada Hills, Knollwood, Mission Hills, North Hills, Panorama City and Sylmar.

Tailgate thefts have been reported throughout the Los Angeles area, but they are unusually high in the Mission Division, the Police Department said in a news release. They are worth about \$1,000 apiece.

It’s not clear if the thefts are related, Officer Jason Lee said.

“We’re not ruling anything out,” Lee said. “It could be one person or a group of people.”

The tailgates are stolen from trucks, then sold to body shops to be used as replacements for customers, Lee said.

“They turn around and sell them to unsuspecting — or suspecting — body shops,” Lee said.



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Barnum to become more than high school theater

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directed district staff to move forward with those recommendations, which were made by Mitze Productions, a firm specializing in performance spaces. The firm was hired by the school district in February for \$20,000 to evaluate the feasibility of Barnum operating as a full-fledged performance space instead of just an auditorium for student productions. Since Barnum re-opened two years ago, school officials realized that the theater has been underutilized and there could be a potential to rent it to outside groups, which could bring in new revenue for the district.

"The key is to really have someone there full-time who can answer the phones, prepare contracts and offer estimates ... making sure the facility is kept clean and safe," said Marnie Mitze, the managing director of the Center for the Arts at Pepperdine University, who runs Mitze Productions with her husband Tom, managing director of the Thousand Oaks Civic Arts Center.

"You must maintain quality control," Mitze said.

While the hall is "a gem, a beauty, with great space and great acoustics," additional money needs to be spent to make the hall competitive with others in Southern California, Mitze said.

"You are going to have to deal with creating easy and attractive access for the public because the hall is situated on campus, but with the proper signage that shouldn't be a problem," Mitze said. "There is a lot of discussion around making schools community centers and that's what we're dealing with here."

Built in 1938 by the federal Works Project Administration (WPA) Barnum once served as Santa Monica's civic auditorium for several years. It was designed to be the cultural center of the city — hosting concerts, plays, musicals, ballets, operas and solo acts.

The school board is looking to bring that back.

"To exploit the full potential of Barnum Hall, I believe these recommendations are essential," said school board member Jose Escarce, who, along with other elected officials and audience members, seemed excited about the possibility of Barnum being utilized 365 days a year.

The Streamline-Art Deco design of Barnum was created by the architectural firm of Marsh, Smith & Powell. Norman Marsh is best known for designing the many sculptures, plaques, reliefs, murals, and fountains at USC during the mid 1970s, as well as several buildings on the UCLA campus in the mid 1950s and buildings in Venice, Calif. in 1904, according to school

district officials.

One of Barnum Hall's original designers, Henry Alfred Buxton, also worked on the design of the Grauman's Chinese Theatre, now Mann's Chinese Theatre.

The theater's original design went way beyond those of a traditional high school theater.

Santa Monica artist Stanton MacDonald-Wright directed leading WPA artisans to create such works as the Viking mural on the fire curtain and the mosaic in the lobby. Additionally on the front facade of the hall is a concrete bas-relief of a comedy-tragedy mask and musical instruments portrayed in the art deco style that was preeminent for many public buildings in the 1930s.

The theater was neglected for nearly 40 years, creating the need for significant repairs and upgrades. The effort was funded by bond measures, roughly \$1 million from City Hall and donations from community and business leaders.

"I whole heartedly believe in these recommendations," said Ralph Mechur, a member of the Samohi Performing Arts Community Enterprise (SPACE), which was formed to review and evaluate the condition and potential use of Barnum Hall and the Greek Theater, an outdoor performance space with concrete seats used for Samohi graduations and fundraisers.

"This is a really positive venture and we must not forget that the city gave the district \$1 million with the expectations that Barnum would become a community venue," Mechur added. "We should keep our promise to everybody."

The school board was in full support of the recommendations, only requesting that preference be given to student performances and graduation ceremonies over private events.

A fee schedule was submitted by Mitze Productions, which included rates charged for use. For one performance, non-profits would be charged \$1,600 per day, while others would pay \$3,200 per day to use Barnum. For the Greek, the daily rates jump to \$2,000 for non-profits and \$6,000 for others.

While some board members have concerns that the fees were too high, Mitze assured them that they were below the rates charged by other performance halls.

Based on conservative estimates, Mitze said Barnum would need the district's financial support to pay for the new operation's start-up costs during for the first year. But the theater would become self sufficient as operations would provide enough revenue to pay for continued maintenance, ensuring the theater would not fall into disrepair. Mitze envisions at least 100 non-school events to be held at Barnum each year.

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Illegal immigrants on the rise, federal report says

BY SUZANNE GAMBOA

Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON — About 11 million illegal immigrants were living in the U.S. at the start of this year, the federal government said in a report Friday.

That's up from an estimated 8.5 million living in the country in January 2000, according to calculations by the Office of Immigration Statistics in the Department of Homeland Security.

The office estimated that 10.5 million illegal immigrants were living in the United States in January 2005 and that the number grew at a national average of 408,000 a year.

Estimates of the size of the illegal immigrant population vary widely according to the political leanings of groups using them.

The federal government acknowledged the difficulty of getting an accurate count in its report, saying estimates involve assumptions and combinations of data.

A Homeland Security spokeswoman could not be reached immediately.

In March, the Pew Hispanic Center used Census Bureau data to estimate that the

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United States had 11.1 million illegal immigrants in March 2005. The center used monthly population estimates to project a total of 11.5 million to 12 million in March.

Mexico is the largest contributing country of illegal immigrants, with nearly 6 million in the U.S. in 2005, the government said. El Salvador, Guatemala, India and China followed with a combined contribution of about 1.4 million unauthorized immigrants.

The greatest increase in illegal immigrants in the country was among Mexicans, a jump of 260,000 from 2000 to 2005. The greatest percentage increase in the immigrant population in those years was among people from India, 133 percent, and Brazil, 70 percent.

California had the largest illegal immigrant population, with 2.8 million in January 2005, followed by Texas with 1.4 million and Florida with 850,000.

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Despite ban, gambling addicts abound in Hawaii

BY JAYMES SONG

Associated Press Writer

HONOLULU — Bob, a former airport screener, stole money from the luggage of tourists to support his gambling problem. Sam lost \$75,000 in a single month betting on sports. Al hasn't gambled for 13 years, but itches every day to roll dice.

People in Hawaii are about as far from legal gaming as they can get. No lotteries. No scratch tickets. No Indian casinos. No bingo parlors or horse tracks.

But despite Hawaii's isolation, gambling has torn apart many families here, caused financial ruin and spawned violent crime. Online gaming is only making it worse.

While the state spends millions annually on drug and alcohol prevention and treatment, however, it commits no resources to helping problem gamblers.

"In Hawaii, it's sort of like: see no evil, hear no evil, speak no evil," said Keith Whyte, executive director of the National Council on Problem Gambling. "They're ignoring a substantial problem in their midst, apparently because they want to pretend that since it is illegal, no one does it and no one gets in trouble."

That's like saying there's no drug problem because drugs are illegal, Whyte said.

Despite not advertising in Hawaii, the Washington-based council's 24-hour hot line received 763 calls last year — more than two calls a day — from gamblers in Hawaii seeking help.

"These are disorders that are deeply rooted in the human condition. They are not dependent on legality of the activity," Whyte said.

State Health Director Chiyome Fukino, whose agency oversees treatment programs for mental health and drug abuse, said the number of calls is not significant in comparison with the state's population.

"I think the lines of personal responsibility and government control, although not always clear, in this instance are more heavily weighted toward personal responsibility," she said when asked about the lack of state programs to deal with gambling addiction.

With the state offering no help, the last resource for many pathological gamblers is a weekly Gamblers Anonymous meeting held every Tuesday night in a church in downtown Honolulu — the only one in the islands. Hundreds have attended through the years. About a dozen attend regularly.

Some come by choice. Others are under a judge's order. They sit around a table on folding metal chairs in a stuffy room with cinderblock walls, cooled only by the tradewinds coming through the jalousie windows and three fans.

At a recent meeting, members agreed to share some of their stories with The Associated Press if their identities remained protected. Some have known each other for years only by first names.

"Hi. My name is Al. I am a compulsive gambler," said the group's leader, a businessman in his mid-50s who has been attending GA meetings since 1982.

Al's downfall is dice.

He says he hasn't rolled any since Oct. 13, 1993, but quickly points out a gambler can never be cured.

"I've been here for 20 years-plus, but I haven't been clean for 20 years-plus," he said. "We recognize it's a lifelong process."

Al's addiction began decades ago when he ran a casino in his dormitory at the University of Hawaii. He later gambled away his life savings, custom house and almost his future, racking up nearly \$400,000 in gambling debts at one point.

Dina, the only female in the group, is a hairdresser who got addicted to slot machines while living in Nevada. What started with \$60 losses turned into thousands, as she maxed out credit cards, took out loans and lied to her husband.

"It was just a major nightmare to keep it all secret," said

Dina, who adds that her life is much better now that she's away from gambling.

While cockfights and card rooms are popular in Hawaii, sports betting is king. It's what gets gambling addicts deep in the financial hole, taking them years to climb out.

City efforts to stem the gambling are ineffectual. Police usually target the operators, instead of the gamblers themselves, and investigations can take months or years. But as soon as one operation is dismantled, another springs up to take its place. Gambling is a misdemeanor offense in Hawaii.

Bookies here operate "6-5" games, police and gamblers say, meaning a losing bettor would have to pay \$6 on every \$5 wagered, which equals a 20 percent commission. So a losing \$100 wager would cost \$120.

Sports betting is popular because bets can be called in, without having cash upfront. The Internet has only made it easier.

"Online gambling is big now," said Rick, a sports gambling addict at the GA meeting. "You can go on there at any time and bet on anything from soccer in Great Britain to any horse race in the world."

"I even bet on WNBA games. I know nothing about the WNBA."

The dozen addicts at the GA meeting had combined losses of more than \$1 million. Many are still paying off their debts.

A common theme was how they couldn't stop — no matter how much they were up, or down.

"It's not about money because no matter how much money we make, it's never enough," Al said. "The way we gamble is so obsessive."

When the money runs out, gambling addicts often fall into desperation and sometimes crime.

In recent years, there has been a series of crimes linked to gambling in Hawaii. Notable cases include:

— Three Honolulu police officers were indicted in April for allegedly conspiring with a card and cockfighting operation located across from an elementary school.

— Three men were shot, two fatally, on a municipal golf course in 2004. Police said the shootings were part of a dispute between factions competing to provide security at gambling houses.

— Banker Sukanto Sia was sentenced in 2002 for bankruptcy and wire fraud. His bankruptcy filing included \$13.5 million owed to two Las Vegas casinos.

— Former city housing supervisor Michael Kahapea was sentenced to 50 years in prison in 2000 for stealing \$5.8 million in public funds. Kahapea, who used the money for lavish trips to Las Vegas, blamed his gambling addiction.

— The mutilated body of a 57-year-old man was found fronting Circuit Court, where he worked as a custodian. Police believe the unsolved 1999 slaying was tied to gambling.

Hawaii's love of gambling can also be witnessed in Las Vegas, which is the top destination for islanders and sometimes referred to as the "ninth Hawaiian island."

The hub for island residents is the California Hotel and Casino, owned by Boyd Gaming, which charts 10,000 Hawaii travelers a month to Las Vegas.

Despite being named after the Golden State, "The Cal" specifically caters to patrons from the Aloha State, with 80 percent of their guests from Hawaii.

Lottery and casino companies occasionally lobby the Legislature and business leaders to open the state, but no serious effort has been made in at least five years.

"I think those guys are hopping over us now and going to Macau," said Judy Rantala, president Hawaii Coalition Against Legalized Gambling. "I think they've given up on us — I hope they've given up on us."

Rantala said she likes Hawaii the way it is.

"I don't think it would do a bit of good to have a big flourishing casino in Waikiki or in Ko Olina," she said. "We can get tourists here without gambling."

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Judge rules cigarette makers lied to smokers

BY NANCY ZUCKERBROD

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WASHINGTON — A federal judge says the nation's top cigarette makers conspired for decades to mislead the public about the health hazards and addictive nature of smoking, but she says there's not much she can do to make them pay.

U.S. District Judge Gladys Kessler sided with the government Thursday in its seven-year-old civil racketeering case against the tobacco industry. She rejected a bid by the Justice Department to make tobacco companies pay billions of dollars in remedies.

Kessler, who presided over a nonjury trial, said she was barred by an appeals court ruling that remedies must be designed to prevent future wrongdoing and not to punish bad behavior.

Kessler rejected a government proposal to impose fines on the industry if youth smoking rates fail to drop in the coming years, despite finding that the companies marketed to teens and lied about it.

The judge did order the companies to stop labeling cigarettes as "low tar," "light," "ultra light" or "mild," saying they have used those terms to mislead consumers.

"They distorted the truth about low tar and light cigarettes so as to discourage smokers from quitting," Kessler said.

"They suppressed research. They destroyed documents. They manipulated the use of nicotine so as to increase and perpetuate addiction," Kessler wrote in the ruling, which often referenced internal industry memos.

The government had asked the judge to make the companies pay \$10 billion for smoking cessation programs, though the Justice Department's own expert said \$130 billion was needed.

That reduction in recommended remedies led to accusations that Robert McCallum, as an associate attorney general appointed by President Bush, had tried to weaken the case. An internal Justice Department investigation cleared him of wrongdoing, saying he was supporting a figure he thought

could be sustained on appeal. McCallum is now U.S. ambassador to Australia.

Kessler's decision came nearly a decade after the states reached legal settlements with the tobacco industry worth \$246 billion and aimed at recovering health care costs. Those settlements imposed marketing restrictions on the industry, such as banning ads on billboards and public transportation and banning cartoon characters.

In the federal case, tobacco companies had denied committing fraud and had said changes in how cigarettes are now sold make it impossible for them to act fraudulently.

Mark Smith, a spokesman for R.J. Reynolds Tobacco Co., said company officials were "gratified that the court did not award unjustified and extraordinarily expensive monetary penalties."

Smith said the company was disappointed by Kessler's finding that the companies had conspired to violate federal law and deceive consumers. He said company lawyers would analyze the decision and decide whether to appeal.

The Justice Department expressed disappointment in Kessler's decision not to impose some of its key remedies.

"Nevertheless, we are hopeful that the remedies that were imposed by the court can have a significant, positive impact on the health of the American public," the department said.

Sharon Eubanks, who recently stepped down as the head of the government's tobacco team, said: "We won. It's clear the government won. This is the first time they've been found to violate the racketeering statute. For crying out loud, that's significant. They're racketeers."

The government filed the civil case under a 1970 racketeering law, commonly known as RICO, used primarily to prosecute mobsters in cases in which there had been a group effort to commit fraud.

The tobacco companies — except for one defendant, Liggett Group Inc. — were ordered to pay the government's cost for pursuing the lawsuit, estimated by the Justice Department at more than \$140 million.

Public health groups said they were pleased the judge sided with the government but disappointed the ruling didn't include tougher sanctions.

"Their misdeeds have finally been exposed. However, the court's remedies are weak. It's like a criminal act worthy of a life sentence, but instead they got a slap on the wrist," said M. Cass Wheeler, CEO of the American Heart Association.

The suit was filed in 1999 during the Clinton administration. The Bush administration pursued it after receiving early criticism for openly discussing the case's perceived weaknesses and attempting unsuccessfully to settle it.

The defendants in the federal lawsuit were: Philip Morris USA Inc. and its parent, Altria Group Inc.; R.J. Reynolds Tobacco Co.; Brown & Williamson Tobacco Corp.; British American Tobacco Ltd.; Lorillard Tobacco Co.; Liggett Group Inc.; Counsel for Tobacco Research-U.S.A.; and the now-defunct Tobacco Institute.

The only cigarette maker excluded from Kessler's ruling was discount manufacturer Liggett, which Kessler credited with coming forward in the 1990s to admit smoking causes cancer and for being helpful to state and federal officials pursuing claims against the tobacco industry.

Associated Press writer Pete Yost contributed to this report.

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Ski bum breaks world record with 1,000 days

BY TODD JOHNSTON

Associated Press Writer

Rainer Hertrich loves what he does so much that he hasn't taken a day off since Nov. 1, 2003.

No sick days. No vacation days. He doesn't need them.

After all, Hertrich is not stuck in an office or making sales calls. He's crisscrossing down another ski slope to keep his world-record streak alive.

Hertrich reached the milestone of 1,000 consecutive days of skiing when he barreled down Oregon's Timberline Ski area on July 27. Though he surpassed the next-longest streak long ago and already holds a place in the Guinness Book of World Records, there's no sign the ultimate ski bum plans to stop.

"To me, it's flat-out fun," said Hertrich, a 45-year-old telemark skier. "I don't know of any other sport where you can go that fast on your feet."

The previous record was held by the British skier Arnie Wilson, who skied 365 consecutive days in 1994. Hertrich surpassed Wilson's mark in 2004, and kept going.

Hertrich follows winter by traveling from Oregon and Colorado to Chile and Argentina, zigzagging the Americas to ski year-round. When it's winter in the U.S., he'll be here. And when summer comes, he ventures to the Andes for South America's winter.

It's there he finds the right conditions for

the other world record Hertrich set in his marathon: vertical feet skied.

He has already skied 34 million vertical feet. To put that into perspective, on an average day he skis 33,000 vertical feet. That is higher than Mount Everest.

"I'm going to South America for the adventure and keeping up the vertical feet," he said. "The adventure part is really my reward to myself."

In a telephone interview from Oregon, Hertrich sounds like a man of few worries. He is not married and has no children. There is no one to question his freewheeling ways.

His drive seems more for the adventure of the next great downhill or a visit to a new locale to meet skiing friends than it is to set a world record. Yet, setting records is certainly on his mind.

"When I passed the first year mark, that was a big mark," he said. "When I passed 500 days, that was a big mark to me at the time."

Following day 1,000 of his feat, he was a bit mystified on his daily Internet blog by all the attention: "For some reason, 1,000 days on skis seems like a big deal to a lot of people."

And while he's having way too much fun to contemplate the accomplishment for too long, there was more than the usual exuberance in his online diary following the day when he set the record: "Great day, snow, and fun!!! I think I'll have to wake up alive one more time and ski tomorrow."

Hertrich lives and breathes the cold environment. His day-to-day job as a snow

groomer, manicuring and maintaining the very slopes that he skis, suits his passion perfectly. In the winter months, he works on Colorado's Copper Mountain and in the summer he helps maintain Mount Hood in Oregon during the race camp season.

Hertrich grew up in Boulder, Colo., learning to ski at an early age. A typical career path was not in his future. He dreamed of things beyond the confines of a classroom or an office cubicle.

"I didn't want to go to college. I thought about the outdoors while in class," he recalled.

His thoughts have not changed since he was young. The best part about skiing is "the freedom, being up on the mountain, and the scenery."

In 2003, his skiing endeavor began when he discovered an elite club at Jackson, Wyo. — for those who had skied 6 million vertical feet in a year.

Hertrich was up for the challenge, and he soon surpassed that mark, skiing more than 7 million vertical feet.

"You have to ski every day," he said, "and you have to ski a lot every day."

With all this skiing, he began to wonder if he was near any record. He was, and that's when his test of endurance against Mother Nature and himself truly began.

He began logging his vertical elevation with a sophisticated altimeter watch. Skiing daily was an easier calculation to compute.

Hertrich has weathered brutal conditions

along the way. But he's continued to ski — through bitter cold, frostbite, rain and illness.

"The worst days were when I'm camping in my tent, it's raining and I know I have to go," he said.

There have been close calls, too. Before flying to South America, for example, he's learned to take pre-dawn runs on Mount Hood before going to the airport on a travel day.

One time in Chile, he rented a car at the airport and got lost in Santiago. He almost did not make it to the slopes before the day was over. Another time, he hopped a bus to the mountain not realizing it was the scenic route.

Perhaps the most bizarre, though, was when he hiked up an active volcano since it had more snow to ski down than neighboring mountains during a dry spell in Chile's winter.

Hertrich generally welcomes such obstacles with open arms. "The adventure's great and I look forward to where it's not all you expected it to be," he said.

Hertrich realizes he's setting a marker for other skiers, and he encourages anyone who wants to take up the challenge.

He recalled some kids saying, "Oh, I'll beat that."

His response: "Go right ahead, buddy!"

So what about tomorrow's run? He paused and, without worry, said, "I'll be happy if I can go out and ski tomorrow, since I'm 40 miles away from the slopes."

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Return to sender: Postal delays still delivered

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of receiving first-class letters and magazines late," Waxman wrote in the letter. "Often, constituents have complained of receiving no mail at all. In December 2005, I wrote to the postmaster general to report these issues, but unfortunately, my constituents continue to report poor service.

"I have not seen consistent improvements in my congressional district," Waxman added. "In fact, recent reports from my constituents have included receipt of mail as much as 14 days after their post mark."

In a mail delivery report dated May 4, first-class mail was delivered six days after it should have been processed. That report also showed standard mail being delivered eight days late.

The problem was supposed to have been solved with the hiring of more postal employees to help sort the mail and get it to carriers quicker so deliveries are made before residents get home from work.

Larry Dozier, a spokesman for the USPS, said the consolidation of post offices in Santa Monica, along with the hiring of more employees and the realignment of mail routes, has "almost eliminated complaints," which have dropped from 25 a day in January to three or four a day, the average.

"The conditions (Waxman) is referring to are old and have since been corrected as far as Santa Monica goes," Dozier said. "There have been some personnel issues with a particular route (in Santa Monica) and that is being addressed. I cannot go into detail because it is a personnel matter."

Dozier said the main distribution center in South Los Angeles sifts through roughly 6 million pieces of mail daily at a rate of 36,000 letters per hour, up from nearly 5 million letters sorted daily before the Marina Del Rey center was closed. Dozier said the closing of that facility has nothing to do with

the delays, but rather staffing shortages that have now been resolved.

Try telling that to Sunset Park resident Rachel Kadar, a part-time teacher who has resorted to digging in a trash bin to find her mail after it has been discarded by other tenants in her apartment complex. Kadar said there is a basket on the steps of her apartment that is overflowing with mail that has been delivered to the wrong address. Some of the letters are for residents who do not live in the apartment complex.

"I've never had problems with mail before until I moved here," Kadar said. "I've missed letters, credit card bills, and I still haven't received a paycheck from my last teaching job, and that was over a month ago."

Kadar said the problem started shortly after she moved into her apartment in December of 2004. She put a hold on her mail while she went out of town. When she returned, she found her mailbox bursting, with some of her mail left on top where anyone could steal it. That included her credit card statement.

"Now I have to worry about someone out there possibly using my information to commit fraud," Kadar said. "This whole ordeal has been very stressful and it seems like no matter what I do, nothing happens. I've called the post office several times and nothing is done."

A spokesperson with the inspector general's office said they have received Waxman's request and are conducting a review of operations. There was nothing to report as of Friday afternoon, the spokesperson said.

Waxman is calling for employees to be interviewed and that the inspector general conduct a complete efficiency review of the facilities, including a review of internal controls and computer-generated data, to determine the integrity and reliability of those systems.

Criminal case moves forward, civil suits linger

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Justice Center in downtown Los Angeles, with opening statements coming as early as Sept. 11, according to court officials.

Weller, 89, has pleaded not guilty to 10 felony counts of vehicular manslaughter with gross negligence. If convicted on all 10 counts, Weller faces a possible sentence ranging from probation to 18 years in state prison.

Weller reportedly lost control of his car after he rear-ended a Mercedes Benz at the intersection of Fourth Street and Arizona Avenue on July 16, 2003, according to a California Highway Patrol report. Police say he hit the accelerator instead of the brake, traveling 995 feet through the Farmer's Market at speeds of up to 60 mph, hurling pedestrians into the air before stopping, the CHP report said.

The 10 people killed ranged in age from 7 months to 78 years old.

The trial was delayed several times, leaving many to wonder if Weller would ever see the inside of a courtroom. Attorneys representing victims who are suing the entities responsible for operating the market said District Attorney Steve Cooley was stalling for political gain, a claim his office has denied.

Weller is charged in the deaths of Theresa Bregalia, 50, of Bronx, N.Y.; Brendon Esfahani, 7 months, of Los Angeles; Molok Ghoulain, 62, of Los Angeles; Gloria Gonzalez, 35, of Venice; Movsha Hoffman, 78, of Santa Monica; Leroy Lattier, 55, a transient; Diana McCarthy, 41, of New York, N.Y.; Kevin McCarthy, 50, of New York, N.Y.; Cindy Valladares, 3, of Los Angeles; and Lynne Ann Weaver, 47, of Woodland Hills.

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and then walk the individual abandoned rescue dogs to public places and parks to find someone willing to give the pets a new home," said Glen Zipper, K9's project operations manager.

K9's school program utilizes the homeless animals to counsel, educate and inspire at-risk 12- to 16-year-old youth to apply the lessons that they teach the dogs to their own lives and to work toward achievable goals.

"This softball fundraiser is a party to celebrate our dedicated and enthusiastic volunteers," said Katherine Beattie, K9's co-director, "as well as our newfound and longtime community supporters. It's all about helping the kids and the dogs to a better life."

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(Left to right) K9 volunteer Patty Corry with Chico; volunteer Robin Whitehouse with adoption board, and co-director Katherine Beattie with Tucker, were ready to play ball for dogs and kids.

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Arab nations want U.N. to help launch peace initiative

BY EDITH M. LEDERER

Associated Press Writer

UNITED NATIONS — Arab nations want the U.N. Security Council to help launch a new peace process to end the broader Arab-Israeli conflict, saying the “road map” unveiled in 2003 to establish a Palestinian state is dead.

Arab League foreign ministers have asked to send a delegation to a ministerial meeting of the Security Council in September to initiate a new effort to bring lasting peace between the Israelis and Palestinians after nearly 60 years of conflict.

Yahya Mahmassani, the Arab League’s envoy to the United Nations, said he had personally discussed the foreign ministers’ request with the 15 Security Council members and “there is very strong support” for the idea of convening a council meeting. It will likely take place between Sept. 20-24, he said.

“Now, we are working ... on what outcome would be coming out of this meeting,” Mahmassani told The Associated Press.

He said bringing the question of the Arab-Israeli conflict to the Security Council will be one of the main items on the agenda of an Arab ministerial meeting on Sunday at Arab League headquarters in Cairo. The Arab ministerial delegation to go to New York will probably be selected at the meeting, he said.

Arab foreign ministers decided to take the issue to the Security Council at a meeting in Cairo on July 15, two days after Israel launched an offensive against Hezbollah militants after they captured two Israeli soldiers, he said.

At that meeting, Arab ministers displayed frustration and declared the Mideast peace process “dead,” blaming Israel for its demise.

“The Middle East peace process has failed,” Arab League Secretary-General Amr Moussa said after that meeting. “We are going to the Security Council — this is a unanimous position — to discuss the whole situation from scratch.”

The road map was drafted by the United States, the United Nations, the European Union and Russia — known as the Quartet — and aimed to end the most recent Middle East violence and establish a Palestinian state by 2005. But Israel and the Palestinians have failed to carry out the parallel steps in the peace plan and it has languished.

The Arab initiative to try to restart the peace process from scratch at this time is significant, because the unresolved Arab-Israeli conflict is at the heart of the current Palestinian-Israeli fighting in Gaza and the 34-day war between Israel and Hezbollah militants in south Lebanon.

Arab nations have fought several wars

with Israel — in 1948, 1956, 1967 and 1973, as well as Israel’s previous two invasions of Lebanon. The first three were heavy defeats for Arab armies, and though Egypt’s army saw dramatic successes in 1973, the battle had swung to Israel’s favor by the time it ended.

In the eyes of many Arabs, Hezbollah’s tougher-than-expected resistance against Israel’s relentless bombardment and heavy ground assaults shook the Israeli military’s image of invulnerability. Hezbollah’s leader, Hassan Nasrallah, has become an instant hero.

Arab states that have been traditional allies of the United States are concerned about Hezbollah’s moves to consolidate their political position and capitalize on what many perceive as a military victory in the fighting against Israel. To counter Hezbollah’s rising influence, diplomats said the Arab moderates sought to restart an Arab-Israeli peace process.

“We consider the peace process, the Quartet, the road map, have not achieved their objective,” Mahmassani said. “So we want to bring up the whole issue of the Arab-Israeli conflict ... and especially the peace process in order to initiate a new peace process that will achieve ... a final, just and lasting settlement for the Arab-Israeli conflict in the region.”

On Saturday, Russia’s Foreign Ministry also said it is time to rethink the issue, saying the conflict with Hezbollah was rooted “in the lack of a comprehensive settlement in the Middle East.”

“Therefore, one of the main goals of the world community should be the concentration of efforts on creating conditions for the resumption of the peace process in the region on all tracks,” the ministry said. “One of the urgent tasks in that context is the normalization of the situation on the Palestinian territories and the resumption of dialogue between the Palestinian National Authority and Israel.”

The Quartet still supports the road map as the best plan for peace. The Group of Eight — the seven major industrialized nations and Russia — also stuck to its previous support for the road map at its July summit in Russia.

In a July 16 communique, the group said all Palestinian parties should accept the road map’s conditions including recognizing the existence of Israel and rejecting violence — which the Hamas-led Palestinian government has refused to do.

Before Arab ministers arrive in New York in September, the issue of the best way to achieve Palestinian-Israeli peace is certain to be raised by Secretary-General Kofi Annan, British Prime Minister Tony Blair and ministers from other council nations during their upcoming travels to the Middle East.

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Woods-Mickelson battle gives way to lesser names

BY NANCY ARMOUR
AP National Writer

MEDINAH, Ill. — Tiger Woods and Phil Mickelson got along so well, they'd like to spend more time together this weekend.

OK, so maybe that's a stretch. The pairing of the world's best players at the PGA Championship on Thursday wasn't exactly riveting stuff. But they're both in the hunt, and they'll gladly spend more quality time this weekend if it means they're in the final group Sunday.

"He's in his own world, and we take care of our game and our business," Mickelson said. "It's a fun day and we shake hands afterward. We both played OK today, but we both had a chance to go a little lower."

Instead, the two, who have combined to win five of the last seven majors, settled for matching 3-under 69s that left them three strokes behind some very unlikely leaders.

Lucas Glover let everyone know just how badly he wants a spot on the U.S. Ryder Cup team, making three birdies in his last four holes for a 6-under 66 that gave him a share of the lead with Chris Riley.

Billy Andrade, who lucked into his spot as the seventh alternate, was one stroke back at 67. And that group between those three and Woods and Mickelson? It includes guys like Henrik Stenson, J.J. Henry and Stewart Cink — names on the tip of every golf fan's tongue.

"When I wake up in the morning and see that I beat Tiger and Phil, it's got to put a smile on your face a little bit," Riley said. "But I know there's a lot of golf left, Just to be there, though, on the first day, I can't ask for much more."

For as much as they're in the hunt, Woods and Mickelson rarely play together. They've been paired together a total of 15 times, with only four of those coming at a major. They hadn't strolled around a major together, in fact, since the final round of the 2001 Masters — which, for those keeping score, Woods won.

And as everyone knows, the two aren't exactly best buds. If Brad and Angelina think they're under the microscope, they should listen to the questions these guys get.

But Woods and Mickelson understand how the game is played. There were no temper tantrums, no clubs thrown, no cross words spoken. Even the fans kept the trash talk to a minimum.

Woods opened with a sloppy bogey on the par-5 10th, cussing and flipping his club at the bag when he missed the

green with his third shot. His chip shot ran 35 feet past the hole, and he left it 2 feet short.

But he recovered with a key 7-foot par save on the 13th. He also had an improbable birdie on the par-5 14th, hitting a blind 7-iron off a trampled lie in the rough and holing a 30-foot putt.

Mickelson birdied the first two holes, then hit a stretch where he missed seven of nine greens. He saved par on all of them except the par-3 second hole, pulling a 4-foot putt.

"We're here to post a number," Woods said. "We went out there and I think we did that today. We all hit the ball pretty good and ground our way around the golf course and just kept ourselves in the ballgame."

In other words, they were bland.

Just like Medinah.

Much was made early in the week of Medinah's 7,561-yard course, a supposed beast that is the longest in majors history. When it really mattered, though, it handed out birdies like pairing sheets with soft, calm conditions.

The 60 sub-par rounds Thursday broke by two the previous PGA Championship record for any round, set in 1995 in the second round at Riviera.

"I don't think there's anything wrong with it," Cink said. "If somebody shoots 20-under-par this week, then they are going to be the PGA champion, and they are going to have to go through a whole lot to win this tournament. It's a tough win no matter what."

With Woods-Mickelson a yawner and Medinah a nice walk, the focus quickly shifted to the Ryder Cup. The top 10 in the Ryder Cup rankings after this weekend automatically make the squad, along with two picks by captain Tom Lehman.

Five players have clinched spots, and Chris DiMarco is a virtual lock. That leaves four more spots — and a whole lot of people who want them, starting with Glover and Davis Love III.

Glover is 14th in the standings, and needs to finish at least eighth to have a chance. Love, who began the year fourth in the standings, is 15th. He was the best player of the day, leading the tournament at 7-under, until a triple-bogey on the par-3 17th.

"We're all chasing the same goal," Glover said. "It's just like looking at the leaderboard on the 18th tee on Sunday if you're in the hunt. You're all vying for the same thing, you all want it, and that's the goal."

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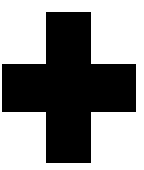
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Denver arrest leads to bodies in Mexico

BY OLGA R. RODRIGUEZ

Associated Press Writer

MONTERREY, Mexico — A man arrested in Denver for immigration violations is the main suspect in the rapes and killings of eight women whose remains were found five years ago in a trash-strewn lot in the border city of Ciudad Juarez, Mexican authorities say.

Relatives and women right's activists, however, remain skeptical the women's killer has been caught and say some of the women were wrongly identified.

Chihuahua state Attorney General Patricia Gonzalez told the Ciudad Juarez daily newspaper El Diario newspaper that Edgar Alvarez Cruz, who was arrested Tuesday, is linked to the killings of eight women, ages 15 to 21, whose remains were discovered on November 2001.

Gonzalez didn't respond to repeated requests from The Associated Press for comment Friday.

State prosecutor Maria Teresa Gonzalez, who leads the investigations into the killings of women in the border city of Juarez, said her office did not have a warrant for Alvarez Cruz's arrest.

"We're currently working on getting a warrant," Maria Teresa Gonzalez said.

Ken Deal, chief deputy U.S. marshal for Colorado, said Alvarez Cruz was arrested on immigration violations at the house where he had been living in Denver for at least a month while working at a concrete construction company.

struction company.

Alvarez Cruz was flown to El Paso, Texas, where Patricia Gonzalez would arrange his extradition sometime next week, Maria Teresa Gonzalez said.

U.S. Ambassador to Mexico Tony Garza called Alvarez Cruz's arrest "a major break" in the investigations into the sexually motivated murders of more than 100 young women in Ciudad Juarez, across the border from El Paso, Texas, between 1993 and 2003.

Relatives and women right's activists, however, remain skeptical the women's killer has been caught, given the spotty record of officials who have handled the investigation.

Celia de la Rosa, whose 19-year-old daughter Guadalupe Luna was identified as one of the eight women found in 2001, said she was told last month DNA tests conducted on the body didn't match her daughter.

"How can they say they've found who did it if they don't even know who the girls are?" De la Rosa said.

Shortly after the grisly 2001 discovery, state authorities in Chihuahua, where Juarez is located, announced they had identified the eight women and closed the cases after arresting two bus drivers.

One of the men died while awaiting trial. The other was released from prison last year after a judge overturned his conviction on grounds that the testimony of a key witness was unreliable. Two of the men's defense lawyers were gunned down in Ciudad Juarez in separate incidents.

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Ebert is thumbs up on his recovery

Film critic **Roger Ebert**, who is battling cancer in a Chicago hospital, says he looks forward to coming back to work despite a hard road to recovery that has kept him hospitalized for three months.

"I don't have a crystal ball, so I can't tell you when, but I sure look forward to being back on the movie beat," he

said in a statement Thursday.

Ebert, famous for his "thumbs up" or "thumbs down" critiques, had surgery June 16 to remove a cancerous growth on his salivary gland. He also had emergency surgery July 1 after a blood vessel burst near the site of the operation.

"When I announced that I had a recurrence of salivary

cancer that required surgery, I had no idea when I went into the hospital on June 16 that I would still be here on August 16," Ebert said.

The 64-year-old had undergone cancer surgery three times before the June operation — once in 2002 to remove a malignant tumor on his thyroid gland and twice on his salivary gland the next year.

Ebert said in the statement his voice has been affected by the cancer treatment and part of his overall rehabilitation will include having to strengthen his vocal cords. He added that "doctors are moving cautiously, but they are enthusiastically optimistic about my recovery."

Ebert has been a film critic at the Chicago Sun-Times

since 1967. He won the Pulitzer Prize for criticism in 1975, the same year he teamed up with Gene Siskel of the rival Chicago Tribune to launch their movie-review show. Siskel died in 1999. Ebert has co-hosted the show with fellow Sun-Times columnist Richard Roeper since 2000.

Associated Press

Doherty guilty of carrying drugs

Pete Doherty pleaded guilty Friday to five counts of possessing drugs, including heroin and crack cocaine.

Sentencing for the Babyshambles singer was adjourned until the Sept. 4. District Judge Alison Rose warned Doherty that he could be sentenced to jail.

Doherty, 27, had been charged with seven counts of drug possession on

Thursday, after he was stopped by police in London last week. The charges relate to that arrest and two other incidents earlier this year.

The singer gained fame with his previous band, the Libertines, and as the on-off boyfriend of supermodel Kate Moss. Doherty's drug habit gained international attention after a

British tabloid printed pictures of Moss allegedly using cocaine at a music studio where Doherty and his band were recording. No charges were leveled against the supermodel.

Last month, Doherty announced that he was canceling a scheduled concert and entering a rehabilitation clinic in his latest bid to quit drugs.

AP

Child actor Osment charged with DUI

Haley Joel Osment, who suffered a broken rib last month when his car struck a mailbox, has been charged with drunken driving and marijuana possession, authorities said.

Osment's blood-alcohol level after the July 20 crash was measured at .16 percent, twice the legal limit, said Jane Robison, a spokeswoman for the Los Angeles County district attorney's office.

The 18-year-old actor was charged Thursday with misdemeanor counts of driving under the influence, marijuana possession and driving under the influence with the special allegation of having a blood-alcohol content of .15 percent or higher. He also faces a vehicle code infraction of being under the age of 21 and driving with a blood-alcohol level of .05 percent or greater.

Osment, who faces a maximum of six months in jail if convicted, was scheduled to be arraigned Sept. 19 in Glendale Superior Court.

His attorney will work with authorities to arrange a time for Osment — the star of films such as "The Sixth Sense" and "Pay it Forward" — to surrender, Robison said. The district attorney plans to request that bail be set at \$15,000.

DreamWorks spokesman and family friend Marvin Levy said Thursday the family would have "no comment at this time" on the charges.

Levy said Wednesday that Osment has recovered from injuries that landed him in the hospital and is preparing to attend college in the fall.

Authorities said Osment was driving home alone about 1 a.m. when his 1995 Saturn hit a mailbox and flipped over.

AP

Pam and Kid go honky tonk

Pamela Anderson and **Kid Rock** have tied the knot again, this time at a fabled Nashville honky-tonk.

A judge performed the ceremony just after midnight Thursday at Tootsie's Orchid Lounge, said Kirt Webster, Kid Rock's Nashville-based publicist.

Kid Rock, whose real name is Bob Ritchie, later took the stage at Tootsie's and sang Lynyrd Skynyrd's "Sweet Home Alabama" and Hank Williams Jr.'s "Family Tradition," Webster said.

Anderson, 39, and Ritchie, 35, were wed July 29 near St. Tropez, France. According to Anderson's Web site, the couple were

married again at a courthouse in Beverly Hills, Calif., on Aug. 3.

In a posting dated Aug. 16, Anderson wrote: "Marriage Number 3! Nashville tootsies. In front of the coolest crowd. Bobby's singing! Sweet Home Alabama."

The bride and groom both wore white for the Nashville ceremony — hers a minidress and his a tank top.

"It was not your usual wedding, but a good time was had by all," said Davidson County General Sessions Judge John Brown, who also officiated at Lee Ann Womack's wedding.

Following the ceremony, the couple partied for a few hours at a restaurant, Webster said. "It was a good time," said Webster, who served as one of the witnesses to the nuptials. "All the people that were there, the fans, they had a good time."

The rocker and the "Baywatch" star were engaged in 2002 but never set a wedding date. They broke up the following year.

Anderson has two sons, Brandon, 10, and Dylan, 8, from her marriage to rocker Tommy Lee. Ritchie, who owns a condo in Nashville, has a 13-year-old son, Bob Jr.

AP

Timberlake slams America's idol

Justin Timberlake backtracked from criticism of "American Idol" winner Taylor Hicks after telling Fashion Rocks magazine the 29-year-old soul singer "can't carry a tune in a bucket."

"I have a strange relationship with that show," Timberlake tells the magazine in an interview. "I despise it, and yet I'm completely fascinated."

"The guy who won — people think he looks so normal, and he's so sweet, and he's so earnest, but he can't carry a tune in a bucket. Do you realize how much

pressure it is to put on somebody all of a sudden?"

Timberlake, a member of boy band 'N Sync who is now pursuing a solo career, also said: "If he has any skeletons whatsoever; if, God forbid, he's gay, and all these people in Mississippi who voted for him are like, 'Oh, my God, I voted for a queer!' It's just too much pressure."

Liz Morentin, a representative for Hicks' record label, RCA, declined to comment Thursday.

Ken Sunshine, Timberlake's representative,

said the 25-year-old singer's comments "were taken completely out of context."

"He has tremendous affection for Taylor Hicks' success," Sunshine told The Associated Press on Thursday. "He would never say anything that personal about somebody he's never met. He only wishes him the best."

Timberlake's second solo album, "FutureSex/LoveSounds," is set for release Sept. 12. "Sexyback," his first single from the CD, began playing on U.S. radio outlets last month.

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Step Up (PG-13)
11:55, 2:30, 4:55, 7:35, 10:05
Barnyard: The Original Party Animals (PG)
11:30, 2:00, 4:35, 7:05, 9:20
Talladega Nights: The Ballad of Ricky Bobby (PG-13)
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Scoop (PG-13)
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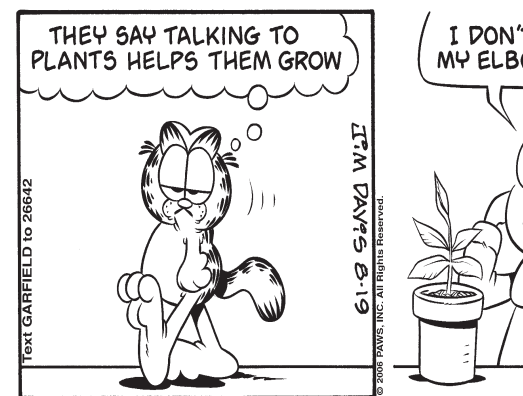
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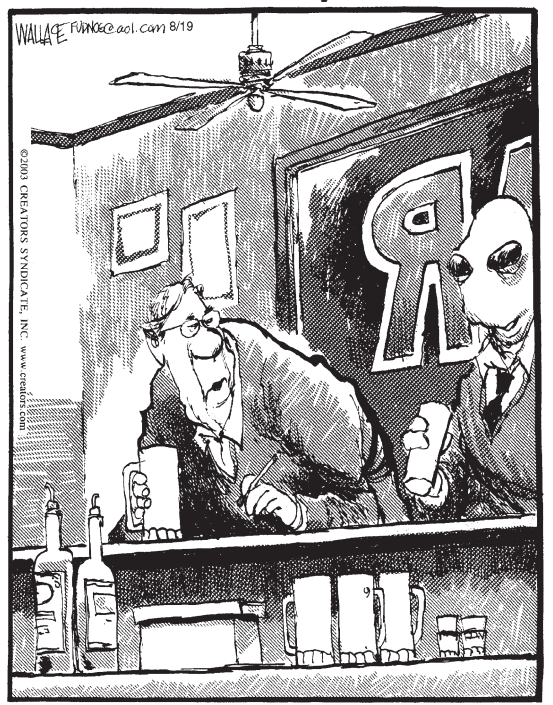
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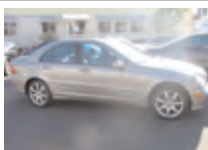
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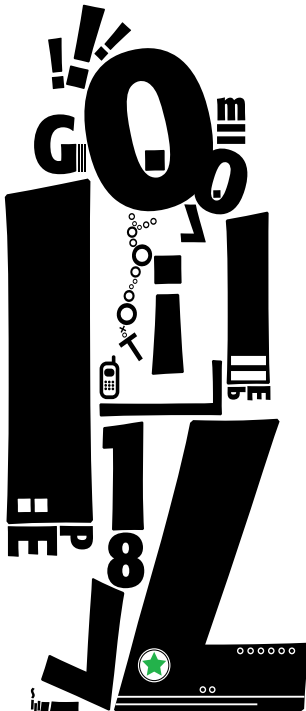
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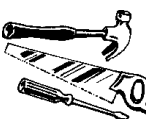
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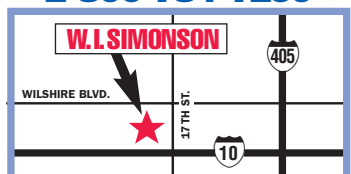
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