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## During 9-11 attacks' anniversary, tourists decide to stay home

*Officials expect long economic recovery*

**BY ANDREW H. FIXMER**  
Daily Press Staff Writer

As the one-year anniversary of the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks approaches, the local hotel industry remains worse off and will likely lose millions of dollars by the end of the year.

Many hotel managers report that despite slashing room rates, occupancy levels for this week will hit an all-time low. Some hotel operators have decided not to cut their rates and instead are having a "quiet week."

And while Santa Monica won't resemble a ghost town on Wednesday, the number of tourists in town for the week will be

at its lowest in years, officials said.

"It's terrible," said Paul Hortobagyi, general manager of the Georgian Hotel, located at 1415 Ocean Ave. "That's the best description I can give you."

To drive occupancy levels up, many hotels have been forced to cut their room rates by more than 25 percent from what they were charging last year. Most hotel managers wouldn't reveal how much those prices have been cut for competition reasons.

For most hotel operators, this Sept. 11 will be a stark reminder of the downturn in travel and tourism that has taken place over the past year.

While local occupancy levels for the entire year have risen slightly, room rates have been slashed so low that hotels' profit margins are shrinking.

"It's going to cost us about \$2.5 million this year," said John Thacker, general manager of Loews Santa Monica Beach Hotel, located at 1700 Ocean Ave. "That's mostly from average (room) rate loss."

From January to June of this year, luxury hotels have dropped their room rates by more than 10 percent, which has raised occupancy levels above last year's by more than 4 percent, according to a report by PKF Associates, a national travel industry firm.

For many of Santa Monica's less expensive hotels, the loss in tourism has been less damaging. Those hotels have had a 4.6 percent decline in average hotel room rates, while they've experienced an increase in occupancy by nearly 5 percent, according to a report by Smith Travel, which monitors national tourism trends.

That will likely translate into another difficult budget year for the City of Santa Monica, which depends heavily on the taxes it collects on hotel rooms, officials said.

The city already had to suspend more than \$20 million in capital improvement projects and cut several million dollars in operating expenses to balance this year's budget. And officials are fearing next year will be more of the same.

Compared to other cities in the region and nationally, Santa Monica has fared better than most, said Misti Kerns, executive director of the Santa Monica Convention and Visitors Bureau.

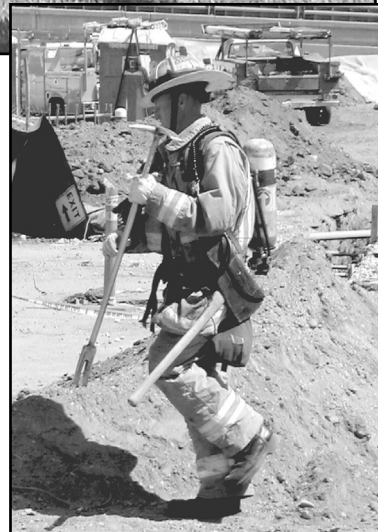
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**A woman talks on her cell phone while waiting to be let back into the courthouse Wednesday. Hundreds of people were evacuated after the power went out. (Right) A fire fighter works to repair a gas line in front of City Hall, which was unrelated to the power outage.**



## Lights go out throughout Santa Monica

*Fire dept. on hand to free those trapped in Civic Center elevators*

**BY ANDREW H. FIXMER**  
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A construction crew working at an Ocean Avenue hotel allegedly cut a power line Monday, cutting off electricity to more than 2,000 people throughout the city for about two hours.

At about 10:30 a.m., power went out at City Hall and the county courthouse, trapping three people in elevators there. Two people were trapped in the elevator at the courthouse and a city employee was stuck in an elevator at City Hall. Nearby Santa Monica Fire Department fire fighters were able to open the elevators and free those trapped inside within 10 to 15 minutes, officials said.

The fire department was outside of City Hall when the power went out because a two-inch wide high pressure gas line was accidentally severed at 10:15 a.m. Monday by a worker using a backhoe on the new public safety build-

ing construction site.

"It was kind of a fluke ... that we were already out here when the power went out," said fire department spokeswoman Jill Barnes.

About 2,200 residents and businesses north of Pico Boulevard, between Lincoln Boulevard and Ocean Avenue were effected, a Southern California Edison official said.

Gas company officials were able to shut the gas leak off by 12:17 p.m.

Power was restored to most of the grid about 15 minutes later.

While City Hall was able to continue operating because of back-up emergency generators, the courthouse had to be evacuated and the jail went into lock down mode.

Courthouse officials, who also had emergency generators running, evacuated the building, concerned that people might hurt themselves.

"Even with emergency lights, the building gets pretty dark," said Superior Court Judge Alan Haber, who oversees all of the courthouses on the westside. "And there are plenty of things for

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## City comes together for 9-11 events

**BY CAROLYN SACKARIASON**  
Daily Press Staff Writer

While some Santa Monicans may feel the need to remember the tragic events of Sept. 11 privately, the city and a host of community organizations have planned events to bring residents together.

Wednesday is chock full of vigils, prayer services and observances from sunrise to sunset. An early morning gathering is planned by the Santa Monica Bay Interfaith Council at the west end of the Santa Monica Pier beginning at 6:45 a.m.

The Santa Monica Fire Department will hold tributes at each of the city's four fire stations beginning at 7 a.m., in conjunction with ceremonies being held at fire stations throughout the nation that morning. Neighbors of the fire stations are invited to walk over to participate with the men and women of the Santa Monica Fire Department in a brief,

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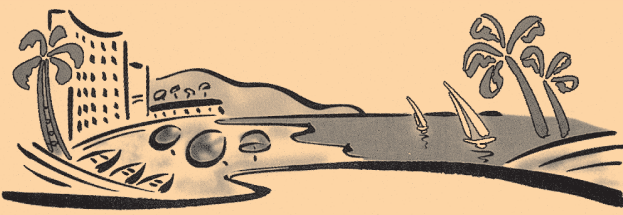
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#### ARIES (March 21-April 19)

★★★★ Working with others could be overwhelming. You might need to step back and think through a decision. Juggling your schedule in order to suit others isn't helpful for you, ultimately. Know when to say you have had enough. Tonight: Slow your pace.



#### TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

★★★★ If you feel that you are in a pressure cooker, don't worry. You will make it through everyone's incessant demands. Your ability to handle many comes out. Don't feel frustrated; rather, demonstrate your strong sense of organization. Tonight: Have a long-overdue discussion with a co-worker.



#### GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

★★★ Dig into work. Though you are a most social sign, what would suit you right now would be to close the door and focus on each project completely. If you must, screen your calls. Know when to say "enough." Willingly put in extra time. Tonight: Take a walk and relax.



#### CANCER (June 21-July 22)

★★★★ Use your imagination, trying to satisfy those around you. Understand when you have had enough of someone. Curb your spending for now, if need be. Watch a tendency to overdo it and go to extremes. Deal with others efficiently. Tonight: Enjoying yourself doesn't need to be costly!



#### LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

★★★ Center yourself, please, considering what might be going on with those in your immediate environment. Review a personal matter in your own time. Often, by focusing on something else, you find that solutions will come forward. Allow yourself to process. Tonight: Let a close friend tell it like it is.



#### VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

★★★★ Please understand others' limits, or you could become frustrated. Communication remains critical to the quality of your work. Your instincts help you make the correct choice financially. Worry less about the end results. Tonight: Visit with a pal over dinner.



#### LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

★★★★ Expansive efforts pan out despite what gets tossed into your path. Your ability to zero in on what counts helps you clear out problems. Use all your talents. Don't judge your success only by your bank account. Tonight: Pay bills.



#### SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

★★★★ Others seek you out, though you might note a desperate tone in their inquiries. The key will be for you to remain calm and easygoing. Very carefully consider options that surround a business arrangement. You might not be getting all the facts. Ask more questions. Tonight: What would make you happy?



#### SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

★★ Take your time right now, especially if you believe there might be an undercurrent that you don't understand. Observe, and make inquiries simultaneously. Your detective abilities help you get to the bottom of a problem. Tonight: Do your thing.



#### CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

★★★★ Aim for more of what you want. Remember that not everything can be bought with the almighty dollar. Recognize your limits. Close relating takes you to a new level of understanding. Don't let another's demands impact you in any way. Tonight: Gather with your friends.



#### AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

★★★ Understand what ails those around you, especially a superior or someone you need to answer to. You might find this person unusually vague, but that is exactly how he or she finds you. Keep the lines of communication open. Tonight: Work late.



#### PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

★★★★ Distance yourself from work issues, and you will renew your perspective. You will find unexpected solutions to aching problems that keep reappearing no matter what you do. Loosen up with your dealings, remaining upbeat. Return calls at your leisure. Tonight: Take in a movie.



### QUOTE of the DAY

“Do not insult the mother alligator until  
after you have crossed the river.”

— Haitian proverb

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# LOCAL

## COMMUNITY BRIEFS

### Rand and UCLA work toward better health care

By Daily Press staff

RAND and UCLA signed a partnership agreement that will strengthen joint research and training efforts on initiatives to improve the quality of health care in America.

The agreement extends and expands a 30-year-old association between UCLA and RAND that has helped to create one of the nation's most respected health care policy research and training programs in the nation. The agreement also broadens the ability of UCLA faculty to participate in research projects at RAND, and commits RAND's researchers to expand their role in health policy training programs at UCLA.

UCLA includes the David Geffen school of Medicine, UCLA Medical Center, the UCLA Neuropsychiatric Institute and Hospital, Mattel Children's Hospital, Santa Monica/UCLA Medical Center, and the UCLA School of Public Health.

### Private school has new leadership

By Daily Press staff

Newbridge School in Santa Monica has a new director of education. Bruce Gram, who directed the middle school in 1997 and 1998, most recently served as headmaster of general studies of an all boys private school in Toronto.

Gram joins headmaster Pat McCabe at the school which was founded in 1972. Gram has experience as both administrator and teacher with the Toronto District School Board, having specialized in drama, English, and language arts for elementary, middle school and high school students.

Gram notes that his own educational philosophy is a good fit for Newbridge School's progressive, creative and academically challenging approach to teaching students whose abilities range from above average to exceptionally gifted.

## Booze, blues and views



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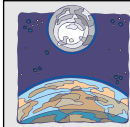
Claire Ragge fields questions from residents to Santa Monica City Council candidate Pro Se on Saturday at the Gas Lite on Wilshire Boulevard. The Gas Lite is hosting a town hall meeting every Saturday from noon to 2 p.m. called "Booze, Blues and Views" during the campaign season where residents can discuss any topic on their minds. A different guest speaker will be present during each event.



Still booming southwest swell keeps good spots in chest- to shoulder-high waves this morning. Pulses make for head-high and overhead sets at northern LA County breaks. Sets should begin to look less consistent than Monday, but there's still plenty of big surf left.

It looks like swell will be backing off Wednesday. Roughly a foot of height is expected to be lost. Consistency also will suffer, but set waves continue to promise patient surfers clean-peeling, rippable, four-foot surf.

Temperature drops off a few degrees, averaging in the low 60s. Skies look clear.



### Today's Tides:

|       |            |       |
|-------|------------|-------|
| Low-  | 6:01 a.m.  | 0.85' |
| High- | 12:18 a.m. | 5.72' |
| Low-  | 6:56 p.m.  | 0.57' |

| Location    | Tuesday   | Wednesday | Water Quality |
|-------------|-----------|-----------|---------------|
| County Line | 4-5'/Fair | 2-4'/Fair | A             |
| Zuma        | 4-5'/Fair | 2-4'/Fair | A             |
| Surfrider   | 2-4'/Fair | 2-4'/Fair | A             |
| Topanga     | 3-5'/Fair | 3-4'/Fair | A             |
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## The Q Line

While most California residents are cognizant of their health, the rest of Americans are getting fatter by the day. It has recently been reported that nearly 60 percent of the country's population is obese. The culprit? Fast food, says Cesar Barber who has sued McDonald's, Kentucky Fried Chicken and Burger King for selling products to the public that they know are damaging to a person's health. The suit is much like the ones against the tobacco industry, which has been hung out to dry for knowingly selling damaging products to the public.

The local school district just recently approved year-long contracts to Papa

Johns Pizza, McDonalds, Taco Bell and Pizza Hut so they can sell their fat-laden food to high school students. School administrators said if they don't offer it, kids will just walk down the street and buy it anyway, which would leave the district cash strapped.

So this week Q-Line wants to know, "Do you think fast food should be sold at our local schools? Why or why not?"

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## OPINION

# LETTERS

### ‘Musty, crusty’ politics getting old

Editor:

Maybe it's sitting up here in the quiet fresh air of the Northern California coast that is causing an anarchy of thoughts to be sifting through my mind. These thoughts are about the life and times of current day Santa Monica — a place I was born, raised, educated and am now living with my own family. When I am “up north” something exists here that is sadly absent in my hometown of Santa Monica — fair representation and the freedom to excel in anything outside of politically correct venues.

Santa Monica is what I would call “a socially engineered community.” It all started with the emotionally charged debut of SMRR, in the late '70s — a group who put forth a bully pulpit espousing a “We are right, you are wrong” platform that has only grown in its heady power trip over everyone's way of life. Housing issues were SMRR's forceful “foot in the door,” followed by putting SMRR endorsed representatives into every nook and cranny of government policy making. Consequently, we have evolved into a town ruled by despotic consumers, where providers have little say, squeaky wheels rule, distorted facts and figures go unchecked, and politically correct activism is our city motto.

We are now coming upon another ho hum election season. SMRR, as usual, has announced its slate of candidates. How many people actually anointed the party slate? A hand full, perhaps? As usual there will be an election hook — some sensational issue that will pit one philosophy against another. Will it be the “living wage” battle, trying to force hotels to unionize? It's all about emotional takes on things and catchy sound bites. Everyone knows that. But, we tend to be engulfed in perceived injustices and vote with knee jerk spasms, not questioning credentials or facts, just voting straight from those convenient little postcards that are shoved under wind shield wipers or door mats just before local elections.

And, what do we get from this kind of prepackaged electioneering? What type of government is created from the long tenure of an unstoppable machine like SMRR?

First, I think there is a certain smugness, an alternative fat cat syndrome, that comes with absolute power. Fairness is defined by those in power. Those out of power are ignored. The city, as a landlord, therefore allows itself to make rather unsympathetic economic decisions when cutting loose long term businesses, such as the Boathouse. They also think nothing about raising “unconscionable rents” on businesses they manage, like Hot-dog on a Stick, using generic excuses like, “this is good business for the city.” Why then are they so opposed to “good business” decisions made in the private sector?

SMRR's position on Trader Joes and Target is another irony of preaching one set of political ideals while acting on another set. SMRR identified itself as a political vehicle for low rents, small business, and taking on big, corporate development. But, when it came to backing the Target project, it was Ken Genser, a long time SMRR councilman, who vigorously promoted this super corporate store, saying it would have little impact on the crowded downtown area. Only, after a very public battle, was it narrowly defeated.

Trader Joes, however, a smaller, customer-friendly market, was quickly silenced and vanquished after it applied for a store location at 12th and Wilshire, where there is far less congestion and a greater need for this type of service. How many people

would have welcomed another site, for this popular store, on the other side of town? We will never really know, because with no SMRR crony pitching its merits, and SMRR planning commissioner, Kelly Olsen, vehemently opposing it, Trader Joes didn't have a chance.

How about all those BIG apartment complexes, in the central business district, on Sixth and Seventh streets? What ever happened to SMRR being against rampant development? Maybe only tree houses qualify as “over development” in the SMRR rhetoric? Remember Ken Genser's robust objection to a child's treehouse being built? Whew, got to watch out for built-out back yards, especially when they are in trees!

And, the new transit mall ... does that really ease traffic and make our city more resident-friendly?

Do we really need a bigger downtown library, after spending how many million to rid the main branch of asbestos? Whose idea is that? Yours, or our SMRR run city? I hear that 60 percent of those polled don't like the idea. Oh well ...

Historical districts is another hot button. Now SMRR wants to get into your homes and decide whether you reside in a historical gem or not. If they deem that you do, then another city-created bureaucracy, the Landmarks Commission, becomes judge and jury on what you can do with your property. A similar city entity, the Rent Control Board, has been making arbitrary economical decisions for residential income property owners for decades now. Residential owners, welcome to the club of the controlled.

Homelessness. Everyone is talking about this issue. Some call it compassion run amok. Others say it is everyone's entitlement to have a meal, roam around, and act as they want. Our city heads seem vague. They want to be viewed as caring, but at what cost? After all, 5,000 workers have lost their jobs recently. Tourists are uncomfortable with the high visibility of the homeless. For that matter, residents don't seem to like it much either.

Governing bodies, without the baggage of political agendas and endorsements, might advocate food, shelter and work program combinations, aimed at people wanting out of their dire circumstances. Vagrants and free loaders, who only want free handouts, free space and no strings would be discouraged. But, in order to implement such programs, the city would have to mediate the concerns and ideas of business, residents and charitable organizations, partnering solutions rather than posturing ones.

Over the years, the reign of Tenant's Rights has grown into a tyranny, creating a “crisis” or sponsoring divisive issues as a means to stay in power. This is simply not healthy leadership or governance. Our city's reputation should not be that one person's rights automatically invalidates another's, just because their “guy” is in office. No, a well-run city, a fair community takes everyone's needs into consideration. In order to do this, city councils, school boards, college boards, rent control boards, etc., all positions of power, should be occupied by people with diverse ideas, experience and not beholden to any political group, as SMRR demands of the people it endorses. Such human diversity is a good checks and balance so that a city doesn't grow crooked or slanted with only one point of view at its helm.

Just think for a moment ... wouldn't it be magical if the majority of voters just threw away their post card and voted in people instead of old musty, crusty politics!!! What a breath of fresh air and revitalization of good will that would be!

Jan Tousignant  
Santa Monica

## Living wage supporters want to have it both ways

*(Editor's note: This is one of a series of weekly columns editorializing on the hotly contested living wage ordinance. The city council passed an ordinance last July requiring businesses in the coastal zone that generate more than \$5 million in annual revenue to pay their employees up to \$12.25 an hour. Those businesses and their supporters have asked for the ordinance to be rescinded, which is before voters this November.)*

*The Daily Press has asked organizers of Santa Monicans Allied for Responsible Tourism, which supports the living wage, to provide a counter-point opinion to balance out the debate. Those organizers said they will provide commentary, but have not yet done so. Other supporters of the living wage measure have not come forward to express their opposing viewpoints, which the Daily Press welcomes.)*

Here's a quandary for you. Suppose you support the city's minimum wage ordinance — Proposition JJ — because you believe it will benefit low-wage workers in Santa Monica. However, opponents of JJ, like me, contend that the

measure will result in a loss of job opportunities for those same workers, thereby hurting the very people it is designed to help. While you would like to dispute my position, you have no basis for doing so; in fact, almost all the relevant research points in my direction.

Then one day an acknowledged expert in the field of labor economics publishes a study he conducted on the effects of typical “living wage” laws. This study concludes that such laws raise the income for some workers, result in job losses for others and, on balance, seem to benefit more workers than they hurt, thereby having a moderately positive effect on urban poverty. Because the study is the first to assess the impact of these laws, it gains a great deal of media attention.

While the study isn't perfect from your perspective because Proposition JJ is very different from any of the laws which were analyzed, you decide to use it as support in your campaign. In fact, you go so far as to cite the study in your ballot argument.

### Guest Commentary

By Naia Sheffield

Then the expert comes to town and explains why his study has no bearing on Proposition JJ (primarily because of the massive differences between JJ and typical “living wage” laws, as discussed in earlier columns). Moreover, he says that Proposition JJ is not a wise policy for those seeking to increase the income of low-wage workers. What do you do now?

This is exactly the position in which JJ's supporters found themselves following the recent Chamber of Commerce luncheon when one of the speakers was Dr. David Neumark, a widely respected labor economist. Their solution to the problem was ironic, indeed.

After having used Dr. Neumark's study to support their position in the ballot argument (and probably intending to use it in future mail pieces and other campaign statements), they attacked the chamber for inviting him because he was an opponent of JJ!

Remarkably two-faced.

Evaluating Proposition JJ requires keep-

ing two important distinctions in mind.

First, it is critical to separate the laudable goal of helping low-wage workers and their families from the actual results of the measure — good intentions do not necessarily make good laws.

Second is the difference between JJ and typical living wage laws, the kind studied by Dr. Neumark. Those laws are limited to employers entering into service contracts with the city and, in some cases, companies receiving direct financial assistance from the city, such as tax incentives. Because JJ covers private businesses having no direct economic contact with the city (other than the obligation to pay taxes), its effects will be totally different. It was this message that Dr. Neumark was trying to convey.

While advocates of JJ were busy characterizing Dr. Neumark as an opponent of JJ, they conveniently neglected to mention that they were using his totally irrelevant study as support for their own position.

Which is it guys?

*(Tom Larmore is a Santa Monica resident and a local property rights attorney.)*

# LOCAL

## Tourism downturn may cost local hotels millions

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"I think Santa Monica rate-wise has adjusted slightly down, which opens us up for people who thought we were too expensive before to come and check us out," she said.

But recovery is a long way down the road, Kerns said. Travel patterns similar to those in 2000 — which is considered the peak of the last decade's economic boom times — are not expected to return until the third quarter of 2004.

And air travel doesn't seem to be bouncing back either. Los Angeles International Airport has been reporting double-digit declines in passengers for the past three months, according to the Los Angeles Convention and Visitors Bureau.

Recent reports show that most Californians, and Americans in general, are sticking to road trips, which tend to be shorter in distance and duration. Many Santa Monica hotels have adjusted their marketing strategy to reflect that change, officials said.

"We had to adjust marketing and advertising from a national to a more regional level," said Brian Jago, director of sales and marketing for both Shutters on the Beach, located at 1 Pico Boulevard on the beach boardwalk, and Casa del Mar, located at 1910 Ocean Front Walk. "We did a lot more on a local and regional basis than we would have otherwise."

But Jago also noted the hotels he works for are off more than 15 percentage points in occupancy levels compared to last year. And this week is going to be even worse.

"This is one of the slowest weeks of the month," he said. "Let me just put it that way."

Except for a September promotion, neither hotel has discounted its rates. The rooms average between \$380-\$580 a night, Jago said.

"Bottom line, people are going to travel for business or leisure and adjusting your rates isn't going spur travel," he said. "Our corporate travelers remain the same."

Kerns said Santa Monica is not likely going to see a return to 2000 room rates and occupancy levels until international travel picks up again. The convention and visitors bureau has undertaken an extensive \$800,000 advertising and marketing campaign overseas to boost the number of foreign visitors to Santa Monica.

"When international people start to travel again on a regular basis, that's when you'll see those dollars we are losing start to creep up," Kerns said.

However, many international tourists will likely stay home or travel to another country if America goes to war with Iraq, officials said. It's customary for Japanese not to travel in countries that are at war, the Associated Press has reported.

"As long as we are beating the drums to go to war, that is not going to help regain international travelers' confidence," said Hortobagyi, whose Georgian Hotel has occupancy levels 25 percent lower than last year. "They might as well go to Tahiti, Australia or New Zealand, which are all a little more independent from all these political activities."

## City churches holding their own Sept. 11 vigils

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solemn flag ceremony and tolling of bells.

Fire stations are located at 1444 7th St., 222 Hollister, 1302 19th St. and 2405 Ashland Ave.

The largest event of the day will begin at 7 p.m. on the south side deck of the Santa Monica Pier. The event is organized by the Santa Monica Bay Interfaith Council and co-sponsored by the City of Santa Monica. Music by the New Directions choir will begin the ceremonies, followed by tributes to emergency responders by the Santa Monica Police and Fire Departments, as well as a tribute to survivors. There will be special readings by community members, silence in memory of those who lost their lives, and a closing ceremony of remembrance and hope.

Parking is available in Lot 1 north of the pier, located at 1550 Pacific Coast Highway. Big Blue Bus lines 1, 7 or 10 serve the pier, which is wheelchair accessible.

There also will be a small gathering outside City Hall at noon on Wednesday. Members of Santa Monica's residential and business communities who find themselves in the Civic Center area mid-day are invited to gather with City Hall and county courthouse staff in front of City Hall, 1685 Main St., at noon for a ceremony.

Santa Monica's Fire and Police Departments will participate and a vocal tribute will precede a moment of silence.

A silent vigil is planned at Palisades

Park from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m., hosted by the Interfaith Council.

Santa Monica CityTV Channel 16 is producing "Santa Monica Remembers September 11," with a wide range of Santa Monicans sharing their thoughts about 9-11, how the tragedy affected them, the local community and the nation. The program will air all day, from 8 a.m. to 7 p.m., on Channel 16.

At Santa Monica College, a student will play "Taps" and a moment of silence will be observed at 10:28 a.m., the time when the second World Trade Center tower collapsed. The event will be held at the college's clocktower, where a banner will be available all day for people to sign and then sent to New York where a group of similar banners will be displayed.

The Santa Monica Historical Society Museum will present "In Memoriam: New York City, 9/11/01" on Wednesday at 2 p.m. and Sunday at 2 p.m. at the museum, located at 1539 Euclid St.

The program includes former New York City Mayor Rudy Giuliani and his staff reflecting on their first realization of the attacks and what ensued in the following days. The film draws on unprecedented access to New York's City Hall, and video from more than 100 people in and around New York City, much of which has not been seen.

Check with your local church or the Salvation Army as they also are planning ceremonies on Wednesday.

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## L.A. County debuts sex offender locator map

By The Associated Press

**LOS ANGELES** — Parents wanting to see if they live near registered sex offenders will be able to search a new Megan's Law Web site provided by the county.

The map, accessible 24 hours a day, gives search options by ZIP code, city or address. The information can then be taken to a police or sheriff's station to see names, photographs and criminal records of convicted sex offenders.

"This powerful high-tech tool enhances public safety because it empowers citizens with vital information to protect themselves and their families from sex predators," county Supervisor Michael D. Antonovich said Friday at the unveiling of the site.

Los Angeles County has 17,047 sex offenders. A total of 13,745 are considered "serious" offenders, meaning they've been convicted of crimes such as rape, sodomy, assault with intent to commit rape and child molestation.

Another 121 are considered "high risk" sex offenders because they've been convicted of multiple violent crimes.

The remaining are sex offenders who have been convicted of possession of pornography, incest, indecent exposure, spousal rape and misdemeanor sexual battery.

"It's unfortunate that evil does walk among us, but these people are identified, and people can use this information to protect their families," said Undersheriff Bill Stonich.

The map shows where sex offenders live throughout the county and comes equipped with a zoom feature to look at specific neighborhoods, but it does not list addresses. It simply indicates the general location of an offender's home with a box or circle in the middle of the offender's street.

The department is probing the possibility of listing exact addresses of high-risk sex offenders on the Megan's Law computers, Stonich said.

## Southern California region to get new Coast Guard team

BY SANDRA MARQUEZ

Associated Press Writer

**LOS ANGELES** — U.S. Transportation Secretary Norman Mineta has commissioned a new anti-terror team that will work to prevent future attacks from taking place in Southern California.

The Maritime Safety Security Team, a fast deployment U.S. Coast Guard unit, was created in response to Sept. 11 to enhance homeland security.

The Los Angeles-based unit, the third of its kind, is expected to perform search and rescue operations at the nation's busiest port.

"This port is key to the future security and economic viability of the United States and must be protected at all costs," Mineta said Sunday during a ceremony honoring government workers at the Coast Guard Terminal Island base in San Pedro.

He noted the port receives more than 4 million cargo containers and more than 500,000 cruise ship passengers each year.

The 100 members of the maritime security team completed specialized weapons and boat tactics training at Camp

Lejeune, N.C., last month.

Jessica Field said the patriotic nature of the team's mission led her to volunteer. "Everybody worries about the risk. We know it's part of the job," said Field, 23. "We are prepared."

Mineta said the new threat facing the nation requires that "we rethink the way we look at security in our transportation systems, including our seaports, where 95 percent of our overseas trade occurs."

But he assured Americans that our country is "a whale of a lot better than it was on Sept. 11, 2001."

Coast Guard Sea Marshal Adam Finn, 23, was one of 18 government security workers to receive a medal from Mineta for going beyond the call of duty during last year's terrorist attacks.

Finn said he worked extra long hours last fall patrolling the Port of Los Angeles and conducting what he called "high-risk boarding of vessels."

He said many of his colleagues deserved recognition.

"Everyone is still doing 110 percent. No one person in the force can really be awarded," he said. "Everyone is doing homeland defense."

## Power outage and gas leak unrelated events at City Hall

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people to bump in to and trip on, so for their safety we have asked everyone to wait outside until power can be restored."

Hundreds of people, ranging from lawyers and jurors to judges and courthouse employees, milled about outside the courthouse's front doors waiting to get back into the building.

Some took the time to finish up some last minute work on their laptops and make calls to the office on their cell phones, while others took the time to read the paper or lie in the grass and soak up the sun.

"It can be very costly when our operations are suspended like this," Haber said.

When power was not restored by 11:30 a.m., Haber called a courthouse-wide recess until 1:30 p.m. The recess was called to avoid long lines of people waiting to be cleared by security before re-entering the building, he said.

But with very little marine layer blocking the sun, many didn't mind the interruption to their work day.

"If it had to happen," said fire chief Ettore A. Berardinelli, "then you couldn't have asked for a better day for it."

# NATIONAL



## Hundreds expected at NY medical examiner's office, dubbed 'Memorial Park'

BY SARA KUGLER  
Associated Press Writer

**NEW YORK**— In a parking lot where 18 refrigerated trailers hold the remains of World Trade Center victims, hundreds of family members and those working to identify the dead will quietly mark the Sept. 11 anniversary.

The trailers outside the medical examiner's office have become a sacred spot for families who hope their relatives will be identified. Of the 2,801 people listed as dead or missing, 1,400 had been identified as of Monday.

"This has been a healing experience," a woman who lost her husband wrote in a message book for victims' families. "May his soul and all the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace."

Families must schedule visits, and hundreds signed up for hour-long sessions Wednesday at the site they have dubbed "Memorial Park."

Chaplains have been there for nearly a year, since the body parts began arriving by the truckload. Under the direction of the Revs. Charles Flood and Betsee Parker, the chaplaincy program has evolved into a full-time operation, with its own trailer, a Web site and a staff of eight volunteer clergy to greet visiting family members.

They also talk with workers in the labs not far from the trailers holding more than 19,000 body parts.

Flood, rector of the Episcopalian St. Stephen's church in Philadelphia, pays for his commute and much of the program out of his own pocket. He plans to be there for at least three more years.

"The family members say they're going to be coming here for a very long time," said Flood, 58. "But if family visitations stop, we're going to keep a presence here. I cannot imagine having 19,000 body parts sitting here in what is called Memorial Park, with no religious presence."

Immediately after the attack, when ambulances arrived with the bodies of uniformed rescue workers, the staff lined up and the on-duty chaplain laid a hand on the remains with a silent prayer. In January, Flood was asked to create a weekly ceremony that would honor civilian victims and give the staff time to reflect on the momentous task.

**"It was just a chance to stop and reflect, because people were working such long shifts."**

— DONNA FISK  
Volunteer

He wrote several interfaith prayers and purchased 19 lanterns — one for each trailer, plus another for remains not found.

"It was just a chance to stop and reflect, because people were working such long shifts," said Donna Fisk, a volunteer who was in charge of Memorial Park for eight months. "Some people would stand around and cry. Some people would hug each other. They just needed that release."

The service under the tent in Memorial Park now draws regulars, who each week still place the lanterns in front of the trailers. Among them is Howard Cash, president of Gene Codes Corp., which developed software for DNA matching. Cash said he tries to attend the service each Friday.

"Standing in that very respectful and spiritual place, you really feel the presence of all these people, and there's always that feeling that everyone there is saying 'Don't give up, here I am,'" Cash said. "It makes it easier to push on to the next week and do it all again."

## Pakistani sentenced for illegal entry to U.S.; will be deported

By The Associated Press

**MIAMI** — A Pakistani man was sentenced Monday to time served and now faces deportation for illegally entering the United States on a visa bought from a corrupt U.S. Embassy worker in the Persian Gulf state of Qatar.

Malik Naeem Afsar, who pleaded guilty to illegal possession of a visa, should be sent home in several months, said defense attorney David Joffe.

"He's happy to be going home," said Joffe. Asked why Afsar came to the United States, Joffe said, "He wanted the American dream."

Afsar and a roommate, who received the same sentence on the same charge last month, have been in custody since their arrests in July.

They paid \$10,000 each for two of at least 71 illicit visas sold through the embassy in Qatar. More than 30 alleged recipients have been detained, and three are believed to have terrorist links.

Fraudulent visas were issued to citizens of Jordan, Bangladesh, Syria and Pakistan in Doha, Qatar, from April 2000 to July 2001, U.S. officials have said.

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## NATIONAL

# Death focuses attention on weight-reduction surgery

BY JOHN PORRETTO

AP Business Writer

**DETROIT** — The death of a city councilwoman after weight-reduction surgery has focused attention on a newly available technique in which a noose is tightened around the stomach.

Councilwoman Brenda Scott, who weighed more than 300 pounds, died Sept. 2 from an infection caused by a stomach perforation, three days after surgery at Port Huron Hospital. The medical examiner ruled the death an accident.

Scott, 47, underwent a procedure called Lap-Band Adjustable Gastric Banding, which won approval from the Food and Drug Administration in June 2001. The procedure has been done on nearly 90,000 people in other countries, mostly in Europe, over the past nine years.

The procedure involves placing an adjustable silicone band around the upper part of the stomach, creating a small gastric pouch that limits food consumption and creates an earlier feeling of fullness.

Once in place, the device is inflated with saline and can be tightened or loosened. It is intended to remain in place permanently but can be removed if necessary. Surgeons use keyhole surgery to put it in place.

Other surgical treatments for obesity — such as stomach stapling and gastric bypass — are more invasive.

The FDA has said Lap-Banding is intended only for severely obese people — those who are at least 100 pounds overweight or twice their ideal body weight and have failed to lose weight by diet, exercise and other means.

**“There’s risk associated with any surgery. Keep in mind that morbid obesity also carries risks.”**

— GEORGEANN MALLORY

The American Society for Bariatric Surgery, executive director

Doug Trigg, spokesman for INAMED Corp. in Santa Barbara, Calif. — makers of the Lap-Band device — said the death rate worldwide has been extremely low — about 0.005 percent.

Port Huron Hospital, which has performed the procedure more than 80 times since March, had had no major complications before Scott’s death, medical director Dr. Kevin Sullivan said Thursday. Sullivan would not comment on Scott’s case but said the hospital continues to offer the operation.

The American Society for Bariatric Surgery in Gainesville, Fla., estimates that 63,100 Americans will have stomach-reduction surgery this year. That is up from 23,100 in 1997.

“It used to be considered on the fringes of medicine, and now it’s pretty mainstream,” said Georgeann Mallory, the association’s executive director. “More people know about it. More people have confidence in it.”

Mallory said she had no statistics on complications related to Lap-Banding because the procedure is so new in the United States. She said the death rate for gastric bypass is three in every 1,000 patients.

“There’s risk associated with any sur-

gery,” she said. She added: “Keep in mind that morbid obesity also carries risks.”

In clinical trials of Lap-Band, most of the 299 patients — who also were required to diet and exercise — steadily lost weight over three years.

Lap-Band patients typically leave the hospital within 24 hours. Scott left Port Huron Hospital on Aug. 31. By the next night, she was complaining of abdominal pain and was taken to Detroit Receiving Hospital. She died of peritonitis, an infec-

tion of the abdominal lining often caused by a surgical mistake.

Her family has retained attorney Geoffrey Fieger, whose clients have included assisted-suicide advocate Jack Kevorkian.

Fieger said two autopsies revealed perforations in Scott’s stomach. He said there was no other way the holes could have occurred except in surgery.

“It’s a no-brainer,” Fieger said.

Jackie Viteri, spokeswoman for the Washington-based American Obesity Association, said she hopes the Scott death does not become an indictment of all weight-reduction operations.

“Each individual case is so different,” Viteri said. “There are a lot of options for treatment — surgery being the most severe. But this shouldn’t hinder someone from discussing that option with their surgeon.”

## Drawn-out murder trial throws a spotlight on sex between lawyer and client

BY GENE JOHNSON

Associated Press Writer

**SEATTLE** — Defense attorney Theresa Olson, a fiery advocate who sometimes cries openly when she loses a case, was visiting a murder-defendant client behind bars when jail guards looking through a window reported seeing them having sex.

Olson was thrown off the case by the judge.

The episode could delay an already long-postponed murder trial. It has also thrown a spotlight on conduct that only recently was officially recognized by the American Bar Association as an ethical breach.

The alleged affair has derailed Olson’s otherwise distinguished career and frustrated those who want to see Sebastian Burns and Atif Rafay stand trial in the 1994 clubbing deaths of Rafay’s family. The trial was delayed for nearly six years while Burns and Rafay fought extradition from Canada.

“What an amazing, sad, pathetic case,” said Lis Wiehl, a University of Washington law professor.

How long it takes Burns’ new lawyers to get up to speed on the case will determine whether it is delayed beyond its April 28 trial date.

The state bar association is investigating the jail commander’s report about the alleged dalliance in a jail interview room Aug. 10, and Olson could face a range of punishments all the way up to disbarment.

Washington state has had an explicit rule against lawyer-client affairs for two years. The state Supreme Court added the rule in light of the case of Lowell Halverson, a former bar president whose license was suspended for six months for having affairs with clients in divorce cases.

In 2000, the ABA included in its recommended code of ethics for state courts a rule expressly prohibiting lawyers from striking up affairs with their clients. The rule took effect in February.

The ABA said it has no national statistics on how many lawyers have been disciplined for having sex with their clients.

Such trysts typically involve male

lawyers and female clients who are going through a divorce — not a 26-year-old, male triple-murder defendant and his married, 43-year-old counsel.

“You don’t think about this and think, ‘Here’s this poor vulnerable guy who got sucked into this relationship,’” said Boston University Law School ethics professor Nancy Moore, who lobbied the ABA to adopt the rule. “But it still creates a conflict of interest that makes the lawyer less capable of exercising independent judgment.”

Wiehl, the UW law professor, asked this, for example: What could happen to the client if the relationship turned sour?

Olson, a 15-year veteran of Seattle’s public defender’s office, is considered an effective if eccentric lawyer who wears ruffled petticoats and homemade clothes in court. Burns had been her sole client for nearly three years.

Burns walked away silently when asked about her during a break in a recent court hearing. Olson’s boss, Bob Boruchowitz, did not return calls for comment.

“She’s not giving interviews,” her attorney, Todd Maybrow, said Friday. “At this point, she’s on vacation from the office, and she will be for a couple more weeks.”

Rafay’s mother, father and sister were found beaten to death with a baseball bat in their home eight years ago. Prosecutors said Burns did it so he and Rafay could collect insurance money and profit from the sale of the house.

Burns and Rafay were arrested in British Columbia after investigators who bugged their house said they heard them acknowledge committing the crimes. Canada would not send them back to Seattle, however, because prosecutors wanted the death penalty. Prosecutors finally relented, and Burns and Rafay were extradited in 2001.

Tim Johnson, deputy police chief in Bellevue, where the family was killed, said Olson’s alleged misconduct will not hurt the case in the long run.

“It’s frustrating, sure,” he said. “But there’s been delays all along. The justice system is a good system.”

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## NATIONAL



# Travel on 9-11 anniversary will not be business as usual

BY BRAD FOSS

AP Business Writer

Joshua Siegel barely hesitated before booking a flight on the anniversary of the terrorist attacks. About the only thing that crossed this frequent flier's mind was to travel early in the day.

"I think it's going to be a little crazy," said Siegel, a Washington-based political activist who booked a 6:45 a.m. flight to Providence, R.I. to minimize delays related to extra-tight security, commemorative activities and reporters staking out the nation's airports.

Sure, Siegel had a momentary flashback to Sept. 11 after selecting his departure date. But he never considered rescheduling out of fear.

Stephanie Cebulski of Berkeley, Calif., on the other hand, postponed a trip to Boston for that very reason.

"I know it's not logical. If any day you'd be safe it would be 9-11," said Cebulski, who recently became a mother and is not entirely comfortable on planes to begin with. "It just felt too weird, too odd to be in a plane that day thinking about what happened."

Just how many would-be travelers plan to stay home on Wednesday is hard to tell. Airlines are not disclosing precise figures on advance bookings, saying only that passenger traffic will be down several percentage points. A few major airlines said they would scale back service as if it were the Friday after Thanksgiving or the night of Christmas Eve, when demand usually drops by a few percentage points but can shrink by as much as 10 percent.

Those reconsidering their flying plans tend to be leisure travelers. Many corporate travelers say they basically have no choice in the matter.

Still, Sept. 11 will hardly be business-as-usual for the nation's travel industry.

A few airlines have encouraged pilots to commemorate the anniversary by making brief preflight announcements to passengers. At American and United, whose planes were hijacked in the attacks, employees will wear commemorative ribbons and both airlines will sponsor special events around the country, including moments of silence, dedications and memorial plantings.

Spirit Airlines will fly 13,400 passen-

gers for free.

Demand for intercity and charter bus service remains down about 5 percent from a year ago, but no significant changes in passenger traffic are expected on Wednesday, said Gale Ellsworth, chief executive of Trailways Transportation System of Fairfax, Va.

The American Bus Association said several companies are donating more than 40 charter vehicles to carry passengers to a memorial service in Shanksville, Pa., the rural area about 80 miles east of Pittsburgh where one of the hijacked planes crashed.

Transit officials said they expect normal levels of commuter traffic around the country. City buses in Atlanta, Louisville, Ky., and Spokane, Wash., will operate throughout the day with their headlights on as a tribute, according to the American Public Transportation Association.

In Boston, commuter trains and streetcars will mark the occasion by temporarily halting service.

Amtrak will offer regular service and conductors nationwide will ask passengers to observe a moment of silence at

8:46 a.m. EDT, the moment American Airlines Flight 11 crashed into the north tower of the World Trade Center.

No matter where travelers go, they are likely to be reminded of the anniversary.

Semi-retired vacationers Janet and Roy Smith of England recently were confronted with a sculpture inside New York's Pennsylvania Station commemorating the tragedy. The sculpture includes fragments from the World Trade Center, office debris found near ground zero and photographs taken on Sept. 11.

"It brings you back to earth," Roy Smith said. "It shouldn't fade from people's minds."

Phillip Karber, chairman of Terminal 4 at Kennedy Airport in New York, intends to spend a quiet moment alone at the airport Wednesday morning, gazing out a window with a view of the reshaped Manhattan skyline.

A year ago, from that same spot, Karber watched through a telescope as the trade center's north tower collapsed.

"I'll have a cup of coffee, look out there and think about it," he said. "I almost hope it's overcast."

# Blood banks threw away more donated blood than normal

BY LAURA MECKLER

Associated Press Writer

**WASHINGTON** — More than 200,000 units of blood had to be thrown away in the weeks after Sept. 11, five times the amount that typically expires before it can be used, congressional auditors report.

Shaken by the terror attacks, people across the country lined up to give blood, doing one of the few things they could think of to help. Nearly 600,000 pints above normal collections were donated in September and October, the General Accounting Office estimates in testimony being delivered to a House subcommittee Tuesday.

With few survivors, however, little extra blood was needed. All totaled, fewer than 260 units were used to treat victims of the attacks. Donated red cells last only 42 days before it goes bad.

"Far more blood was collected immediately after Sept. 11 than was needed by survivors or that ultimately could be absorbed by the nation's blood banks," Janet Heinrich, director of health care issues for the GAO, said in testimony prepared for Tuesday's hearing before the House Commerce investigations subcommittee.

By Sept. 12, independent blood banks, which collect about half the nation's blood, were telling people that no more was needed and asking them to come back. The American Red Cross, which collects the other half, continued to urge donations, promising to freeze anything that couldn't be used right away. In the end, only 9,000 units were frozen.

Members of the subcommittee plan to press the Red Cross on that point Tuesday, said spokesman Ken Johnson.

"Clearly suppliers knew they had more blood than they needed on the day after 9-11, and yet the Red Cross continued to make impassioned appeals for help. Why? We still don't have a good answer," Johnson said.

The Red Cross responded that it was preparing for the worst.

"We weren't confident there wasn't another man-made disaster headed our way," said Trudy Sullivan, Red Cross vice president for communications and strategy.

"We wanted to be as prepared as possible."

Sullivan said the freezing plans did not materialize because the technology needed for thawed blood to last more than 24 hours was not yet available. The Red Cross had hoped it would be ready in time, she said. She estimated it remains 9 to 12 months away.

Of the extra blood collected, the GAO estimates that about 208,000 pints of red cells were thrown away because they expired before being distributed to hospitals. That does not include an unknown number of additional units discarded by hospitals, it said.

The GAO based its estimates on information from the National Blood Data Resource Center, which tracks the blood supply at a representative group of blood banks, Heinrich said in an interview Monday. Using this method, the GAO could not determine how much of the wasted blood was collected by the Red Cross and how much by independent centers.

Representatives from the Red Cross and from independent centers each said that their estimates of wasted blood were far lower than the GAO's. The Red Cross

estimates that about 50,000 units were discarded between Sept. 11 and Oct. 14. Independent blood banks discarded 15,000 units in the first week, about 9,000 more than normal, then returned to normal supply, said Jim MacFerson, chief executive officer of America's Blood Centers, the trade group for independent banks.

Heinrich said she is aware of their estimates but sticks by the GAO conclusions.

In her testimony, she notes that the competing blood bankers have agreed to work more closely in future disasters, sending uniform messages to the public. They also are resolving to try and maintain an adequate blood supply through the year rather than collect more than is needed after disaster hits.

"The most important thing in retrospect is to make sure you have a uniform message going out," MacFerson said. "I think everyone agrees with that now."

There also were mixed messages from the Bush administration. Early in the week, the White House suggested people donate blood. By week's end, health officials said the need had been met and asked would-be donors to return in a few weeks.

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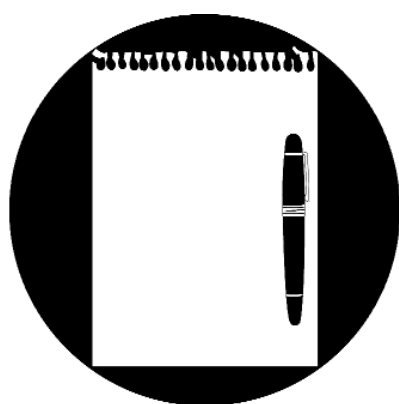
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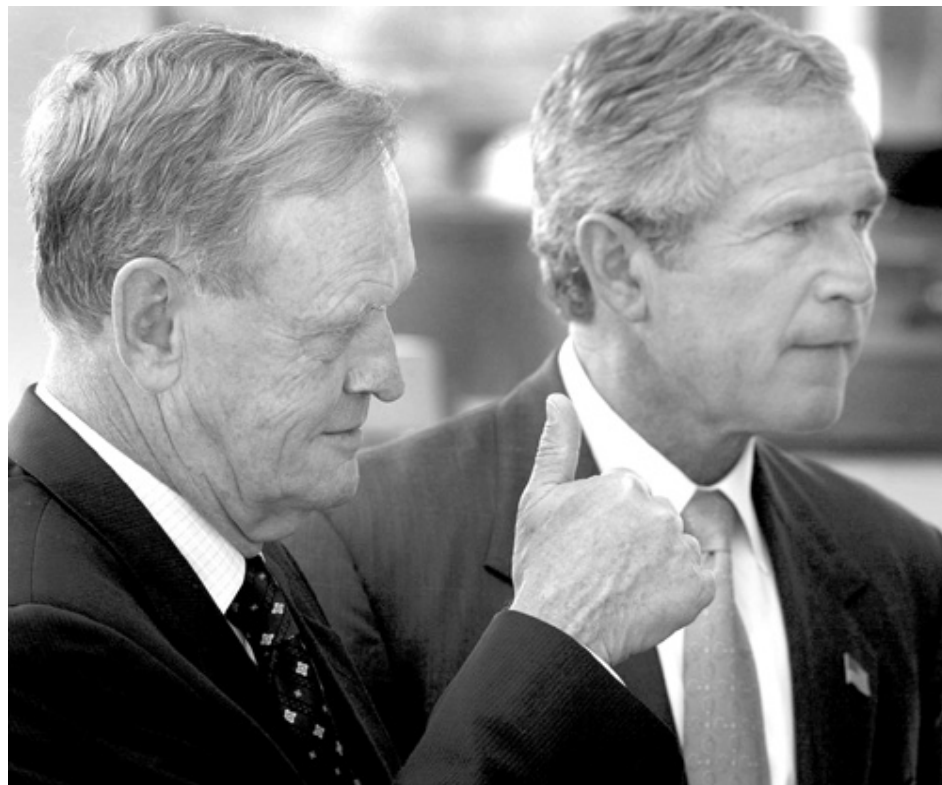
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## INTERNATIONAL

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## U.N. chief says Security Council should have its say on action against Iraq

BY EDITH M. LEDERER  
Associated Press Writer

**UNITED NATIONS** — As the Bush administration tries to build its case for a possible attack on Iraq, U.N. Secretary-General Kofi Annan said Monday that the Security Council must be allowed to have its say on the issue.

Russia and China — both permanent members of the council with close ties to Iraq — oppose any military action. Russia said last week it would use its veto on the council against any use of force.

Annan's comments came as French President Jacques Chirac proposed that the Security Council set a three-week deadline for Baghdad to allow unfettered U.N. weapons inspections. If Iraq failed to do so, a resolution on whether to use military force would be considered.

Annan would not comment directly on the French president's proposal.

"I think it is important to stress that the council, which has been seized with this Iraqi issue for so long, should have something to say," he said. "I think it is appropriate that the council pronounces itself on the issue."

The secretary-general returned just ahead of a new session of the General Assembly where possible U.S. military action against Iraq is expected to be a dominating issue — along with the global fight against terrorism.

President Bush is expected to present the U.S. case for action against Saddam Hussein to the world's nations at the start of the General Assembly's annual ministerial meeting Thursday. Bush has been speaking to world leaders by telephone in recent days while his officials have inten-

sified public appearances saying they have evidence of Iraq's alleged weapons of mass destruction.

Iraq says Washington — and its top ally, Britain — are lying about having evidence in order to garner world support for an attack.

A report by a London-based think tank said Iraq was capable of building a nuclear bomb in a few months if it obtained radioactive material, and that its arsenal contains powerful chemical and biological weapons that can be quickly mass produced.

Iraq also possesses around a dozen missiles with a range of 400 miles, making it able to strike Saudi Arabia or Israel, said the report, issued Monday by the International Institute for Strategic Studies.

Annan said he had spoken to Bush and was waiting to hear what he said, but he has repeatedly stated his opposition to a war on Iraq.

In Paris last week, he told reporters it would be "unwise to attack Iraq" because "it will raise international tensions."

Britain has been the strongest backer of the United States, promising to help it win allies on the Iraq issue, while Germany and Russia have been the strongest opponents in Europe. Other European nations have expressed deep skepticism, but a number of governments on Monday suggested they could support some sort of action against Iraq — but only on certain conditions, particularly on condition it comes through the United Nations.

France's Chirac has spoken out against any attack to oust Saddam, but his proposals in an interview published in The

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## INTERNATIONAL



# Palstinian leader Arafat condemns acts of terror

BY JAMIE TARABAY

Associated Press Writer

**RAMALLAH, West Bank** — Yasser Arafat condemned terror attacks and promised to hold general elections in January, but in a rambling speech to the Palestinian parliament Monday he fell short of outlining clear steps against terror or agreeing to share some power with a prime minister.

Fumbling with microphones and repeatedly straying from a prepared text, the Palestinian leader also offered — apparently in jest — to give up executive powers if asked.

The parliament session in Arafat's sandbagged West Bank headquarters came at what could be a pivotal point in the two years of Israeli-Palestinian violence, with signs of a thaw coinciding with Palestinian militants' efforts to stage attacks of unprecedented scale.

In a speech that was both conciliatory and packed with accusations against Israel, Arafat said he condemned "attacks against Israeli civilians" and that such attacks drew attention away from Palestinians' suffering under Israeli occupation. He told legislators to uphold the national interest — but he skipped passages from the draft that included a call on parliament to ban suicide attacks.

Addressing Israelis, Arafat said: "We want to achieve peace with you. We want security and stability for us and you and for the entire area. ... After 50 years of struggle, I say it's enough of the struggle and bloodshed."

Raanan Gissin, an adviser to Israeli Prime Minister Ariel Sharon, said the speech was meaningless and that Palestinian reform would not work with Arafat in power. "Peace and reforms can only happen when Arafat is not there," Gissin said.

Paul Patin, a spokesman for the U.S. Embassy in Tel Aviv, said after the speech that Arafat would be judged by his actions, not his words.

In Gaza, Ismail Abu Shanab of the Islamic militant group Hamas said Arafat showed no clear strategy. "We need to ...

find a way to challenge the Israeli aggression," said Abu Shanab, whose group has carried out scores of suicide attacks that have killed more than 250 Israeli civilians in the past two years.

The Palestinian legislature has convened only sporadically, and usually with a low turnout, during the past two years, because of Israeli travel restrictions.

On Monday, Israel banned 12 legislators from making the trip from Gaza to Ramallah, saying they were involved in attacks on Israelis. In solidarity, other Gazan lawmakers stayed behind and participated by video conference.

At the opening of the session, parliament re-elected speaker Ahmed Qureia. A key player in previous peace talks with Israel, Qureia is a confidant of Arafat and is seen as a potential successor.

Arafat's maneuvers seemed to please no one, with several Palestinian legislators complaining he had held off on presenting his new Cabinet to parliament for approval, and that he had not set a specific election date.

When Arafat mentioned that presidential, parliamentary and municipal elections would be held in early January — as previously announced by aides — one legislator shouted: "What is needed is a presidential decree with a specific date."

Arafat's confirmation of the January date appeared to defy the United States, which has sought a delay in presidential elections in hopes of winning Palestinian agreement to installing a prime minister who would take over day-to-day governance and render Arafat a figurehead.

The idea of a prime minister is also popular among Palestinians fed up with official corruption and mismanagement, and some legislators have conditioned support for Arafat's new Cabinet on creation of a prime ministerial post.

"I wish to hear him accepting the appointment of a prime minister," said Qadura Fares, a lawmaker from Arafat's Fatah movement, adding that without it he expected a majority to vote against the new Cabinet.

At one point, Arafat said reforms should be based on a separation of pow-



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**Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat addresses members of the Palestinian parliament in the West Bank town of Ramallah on Monday. In his speech, Arafat said he condemned every act of terror against Israeli civilians.**

ers, then added: "Unless you want to bring somebody else in the executive authority. I wish you could do it and give me a rest."

Arafat aides said later that he has repeatedly made the offer, always in jest, in internal meetings. At a weekend meeting, Arafat continued to resist aides' pressure to share power with a prime minister, sources said.

The Palestinian leader has been weakened in recent months, with the United States shunning him and Israel trying to sideline him. Since a major Israeli military offensive in March, he has been largely confined to his headquarters in Ramallah.

The legislature was to reconvene Tuesday, with the wrangle over the Cabinet expected to dominate proceedings.

In the Gaza Strip, meanwhile, Israeli troops blew up the house of a suspected Palestinian militant in the Boureij refugee camp. During the operation, about 60

tanks encircled Boureij and two adjacent camps. Troops found a building used to manufacture anti-tank missiles and mortar bombs and blew it up, the army said.

Despite a five-week lull in suicide bombings, Israeli authorities last week intercepted a car near the West Bank border carrying one of the biggest bombs they have ever found — 1,350 pounds of explosives — plus two barrels containing fuel and metal fragments.

Sharon said last week that he sees a possibility for the first time of reaching an accord with the Palestinians. On Monday, a senior Palestinian official said Sharon would meet in the coming days with Arafat's deputy, Mahmoud Abbas, to try to find a way out of the fighting. Sharon's aides declined comment, but Sharon has recently said he has been contacted by a senior Palestinian official and was ready to meet with him.

## International leaders worry about consequences of war

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New York Times on Monday suggested there were circumstances he could reverse that stance.

Chirac did not say outright if France — which also holds veto power on the Security Council — would support a U.N. resolution on military action if Iraq rejected his proposed three-week deadline.

"Nothing is impossible, if it is decided by the international community on the basis of indisputable proof" of the existence of weapons of mass destruction, Chirac said. "For the moment, we have neither proof nor decisions."

The Vatican's foreign minister said military action against Iraq should only be undertaken if the United Nations authorizes it after assessing the impact on the Iraqi people and on world stability.

"We can't impose the law of the jungle," Archbishop Jean-Louis Tauran told the Italian Catholic newspaper L'Avvenire in the Vatican's first comments on the issue.

Dutch Prime Minister Jan-Peter

Balkenende said that military action was a last resort, and that Iraq should accept weapons inspectors to avert war, he told the newspaper Parool.

Spain did not rule out the use of force in Iraq, but urged diplomatic action be stretched to the maximum. "It's evident that the world would be better without Saddam Hussein," Foreign Minister Ana Palacio said in an interview with Telecinco TV.

Speaking to reporters on his arrival at U.N. headquarters on Monday, Annan said many people are worried about unexpected consequences of an Iraqi attack.

"The question is the morning after," he said. "What sort of Iraq do we wake up to after the bombing? What happens in the region? What impact could it have? These are questions leaders I have spoken to have posed."

Asked how persuasive he found the evidence compiled by the United States and its closest ally Britain, Annan said, "I haven't seen the evidence yet."

## Uzi submachine gun inventor dies at age 79

By The Associated Press

**JERUSALEM** — Uzi Gal, the inventor of Israel's most famous contribution to the arms industry, the Uzi submachine gun, has died in Philadelphia of a long illness, family members said. He was 79.

Gal died Saturday and will be buried Thursday in Kibbutz Yagur, a collective farm near Haifa where he grew up.

The Uzi submachine gun, invented in the 1950s and used by the Israeli army for the first time during its Sinai campaign in 1956, has become a mainstay of secret services from Jerusalem to Washington.

In recent years, Gal was developing a new type of pistol that was to be marketed in the United States. Israel's Yediot Ahronot daily reported that the new weapon was to "create a revolution in the international weapons market" but gave no details.



## SPORTS

# Ishii undergoes surgery, remains hospitalized

BY JOHN NADEL

AP Sports Writer

**LOS ANGELES** — Los Angeles Dodgers rookie left-hander Kazuhisa Ishii, hit in the forehead by a line drive, had a two-hour operation Monday to remove bone chips from his nasal passage.

He will remain hospitalized for at least a few days, Dodgers head trainer Stan Johnston said.

A CT scan after the operation was deemed normal and the Japanese pitcher was "eating and walking," according to the Dodgers. Ishii also sustained a small skull fracture and a concussion.

Ishii, who turned 29 Monday, was struck by the line drive hit by Houston's Brian Hunter in the fourth inning of Sunday's 6-2 loss to the Astros. Hunter drove the 3-2 pitch so hard into the left side of Ishii's head that the ball ricocheted to the backstop. Hunter would up with an RBI double.

Manager Jim Tracy, assistant trainer Matt Wilson and paramedics rushed to the pitcher's aid. Ishii was placed in a neck brace, then on a stretcher and driven off through the center field gate to Good Samaritan Hospital.

Johnston said Ishii was moved to Cedars Sinai

Hospital late Sunday night after the nasal fracture was discovered, and Dr. John Yu performed a two-hour operation to remove chips.

**"The most important thing as far as the Dodgers are concerned is his health and well-being."**

— **LUIS GARCIA**  
Dodgers spokesman

A small titanium plate was inserted during the surgery, Johnston said. Ishii was removed from the intensive care unit Monday.

Dodgers spokesman Luis Garcia said no timetable had been set for Ishii's return to the mound.

"The most important thing as far as the Dodgers are concerned is his health and well-being," Garcia said,

adding that Ishii's wife joined him at Good Samaritan Hospital late Sunday and was with him again Monday at Cedars Sinai.

Ishii, the losing pitcher Sunday, has a 14-10 record and a 4.27 ERA. Before Hunter came up, Ishii was booed by the Dodger Stadium crowd of 42,934 because he had walked Jason Lane and pitcher Roy Oswalt with one out.

Kevin Beirne replaced Ishii on the mound after a 14-minute delay.

Ishii, one of the most effective starters in Japan for several years, signed a \$12.3 million, four-year contract with the Dodgers in February.

Ishii was the second Dodger carried off the field in two weeks at Dodger Stadium. On Aug. 26, Alex Cora left in an ambulance with a concussion after colliding headfirst with Arizona shortstop Tony Womack's knee while trying to steal second base. Cora missed two games.

"Bad things came to my head today," Cora said after Sunday's game. "I just started praying and doing the same things my teammates did for me two weeks ago. Seeing it from this side, I know it's hard to see the brace and the stretcher and the ambulance.

"But I know he's going to be fine. In both situations, you've got to tip your hats to the medical staff."

## Webber indicted on charge of lying to grand jury

BY DAVID RUNK

Associated Press Writer

**DETROIT** — Sacramento Kings forward Chris Webber was indicted Monday on charges he lied to a grand jury about his dealings with a University of Michigan basketball booster more than a decade ago.

Webber, who led Michigan's "Fab Five" team to two NCAA title games, was charged with obstruction of justice and making a false declaration before a grand jury, FBI spokeswoman Dawn Clenney said.

Webber's father, Mayce Webber, and his aunt, Charlene Johnson, were indicted on the same charges.

If convicted, each faces up to 10 years in prison and a \$250,000 fine.

The indictment contends that Webber, his father and aunt lied to the grand jury and conspired to conceal the cash, checks, clothing, jewelry and other benefits that booster Ed Martin gave the play-

er and his family from 1988-93. All three testified in 2000.

Messages seeking comment from the Kings, the elder Webber and Johnson were not immediately returned.

After Martin's indictment, Webber publicly denied taking significant amounts of money from him and said the government's charges were inaccurate. Martin pleaded guilty in May to conspiracy to launder money.

Martin admitted he took gambling money, mixed it with earned income and money given to him from another person, then loaned it to at least four players while they were amateurs.

Martin said he paid \$280,000 to Webber; \$160,000 to Robert Traylor, now with the Charlotte Hornets; \$105,000 to Maurice Taylor, now with the Houston Rockets; and \$71,000 to Louis Bullock, who has been playing professionally in Europe.

Traylor and Bullock admitted receiving the money in testimony to the grand jury,

their attorney, Steve Fishman, has said.

Former Michigan guard Jalen Rose, now with the Chicago Bulls, also said in May that he took "pocket money" from Martin.

Webber, a 29-year-old four-time All-Star, was the first pick in the 1993 NBA

draft and was rookie of the year with Golden State. He starred at Washington before being traded to the Kings.

Webber led Sacramento to the Western Conference finals, and the Kings were eliminated in Game 7 by the eventual NBA champion Los Angeles Lakers.

## Some fans unfazed by indictment of Kings' star

BY STEVE LAWRENCE

Associated Press Writer

**SACRAMENTO** — Sports fan John Lovell seemed more concerned about the state of women's tennis and professional boxing than the indictment Monday of Sacramento's best known athlete, Chris Webber.

"He's the only athlete who (allegedly) took payments from a booster and lied about it?" Lovell asked in the middle of a conversation with two other patrons of a downtown sports bar. "He is going to be acquitted at the end of the day."

Webber, who led the Sacramento Kings to within one game of the NBA finals this year, was indicted Monday in Detroit on charges of lying to a grand jury about money and other benefits he received from a booster while at the University of Michigan.

The federal indictment accused the Kings forward, his father and his aunt of conspiring to conceal cash, checks, clothing, jewelry and other benefits provided by former Michigan booster Ed Martin from 1988-93.

Martin pleaded guilty in May to money laundering charges.

Kings fan Josh Setters, a bartender at a downtown Sacramento restaurant, also downplayed the seriousness of the charges against Webber, who could be sentenced to up to 10 years in prison and fined \$500,000 if convicted.

"Imagine being a 20-year-old kid, being broke and going to college," Setters said. "You would have to be a pretty strong man not to take it.

"He will be acquitted. He will be all right because the Maloofs are going to get

him a lawyer that is going to chop that court in half," he added, referring to Kings' owners Joe and Gavin Maloof.

The city's daily newspaper, The Sacramento Bee, and two Sacramento television stations made the indictment the top story on their Web sites. The Bee site also offered readers a look at the indictment itself, the Justice Department press release announcing the charges and past stories and columns on the case.

Chuck Dalldorf, chief of staff for Sacramento Mayor Heather Fargo, said the mayor would have no comment on the charges.

"She doesn't really want to comment on it," he said. "This matter is not relevant to the city at all or the city's relationship to the Kings.

"An indictment is just an early part of the prosecution process. It's hard to say what this really means or if he's guilty of anything at this point."

Darren May, a spokesman for the Kings, said the team also would have no comment.

"We really don't have an official response, largely due to the fact that we are still gathering information," he said. "There is a process for this to be resolved and we are going to let that process take place."

Webber has had a hot-and-cold relationship with Sacramento since the Kings traded Mitch Richmond and Otis Thorpe to the Washington Wizards for him in 1998. At one point he complained that he wanted to leave because he couldn't find decent soul food in the California capital.

But his signing last summer of the second-largest contract in NBA history, worth about \$123 million over seven years, kept Webber in Sacramento.

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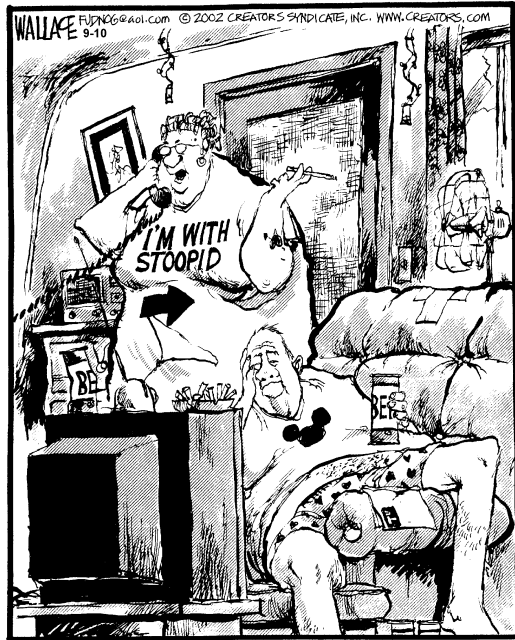
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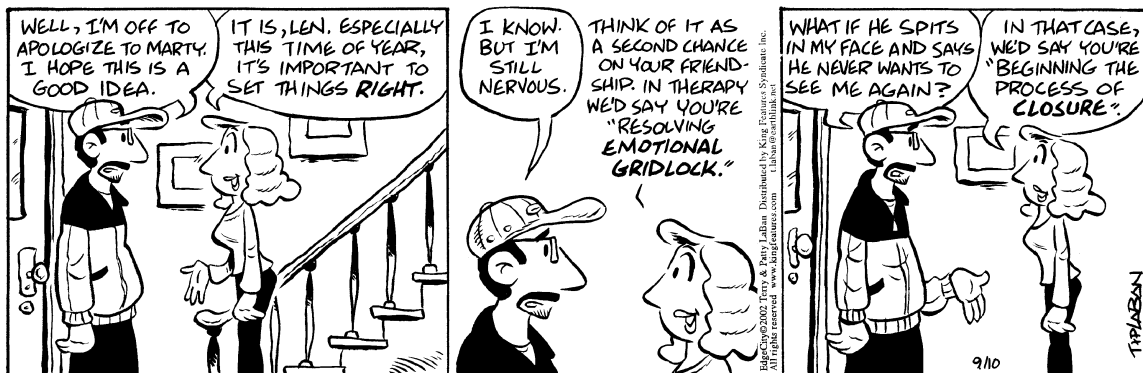
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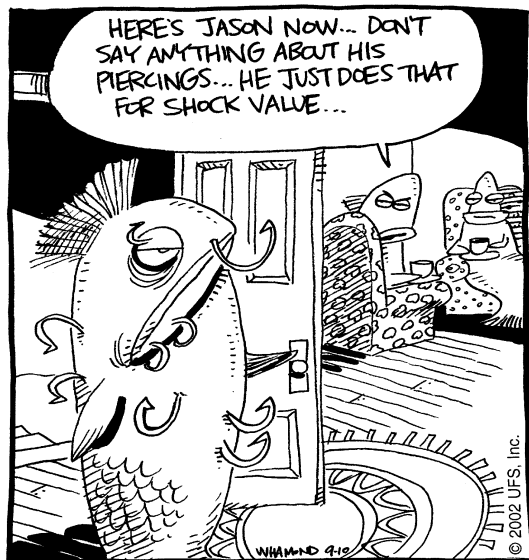
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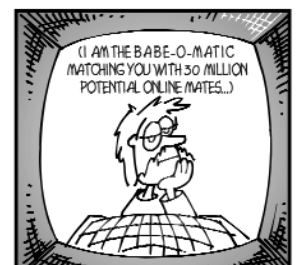
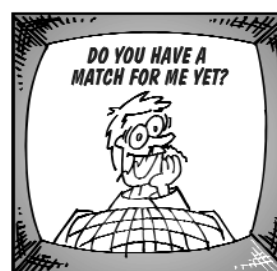
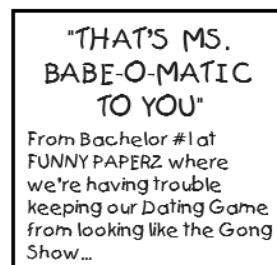
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# Calendar

## Tuesday, September 10, 2002

### movies

**Loews Broadway Cinema**  
1441 Third St. at Broadway  
*Blue Crush* (PG-13) 1:00, 3:50, 6:40, 9:30. *Simone* (PG-13) 1:20, 4:10, 7:00, 9:50. *City by the Sea* (R) 12:40, 1:40, 3:30, 4:30, 6:20, 7:20, 9:10, 10:10.

**Mann Criterion**  
1313 Third St.  
*Solder Man* (PG-13) 1:50, 7:15. *Minority Report* (PG-13) 1:00, 7:10. *Men In Black II* (PG-13) 11:30, 4:40, 10:00. *Austin Powers in Goldmember* (PG-13) 11:50, 2:30, 5:00, 7:30, 10:15. *My Big Fat Greek Wedding* (PG) 11:40, 12:20, 2:10, 2:45, 4:50, 5:30, 7:20, 8:00, 9:50, 10:30. *XXX* (PG-13) 12:00, 3:30, 7:00, 10:10. *Blood Work* (R) 4:20, 10:20.

**AMC Theatre SM 7**  
1310 3rd Street  
*FearDotCom* (R) 2:20, 4:45, 7:30, 9:55. *Signs* (PG-13) 1:40, 4:15, 5:35, 7:15, 8:15, 9:45. *The Master of Disguise* (PG) 1:30, 3:30. *Road to Perdition* (R) 1:45, 4:25, 7:10, 9:50. *Swimfan* (PG-13) 2:30, 5:20, 7:45, 10:00. *Spy Kids 2* (PG) 1:50, 4:35, 7:00, 9:25. *Serving Sara* (PG-13) 2:00, 4:55, 7:20, 9:40.

**Landmark Nu-Wilshire**  
1314 Wilshire Blvd.  
*The Kid Stays in the Picture* (R) 12:15, 2:30, 4:45, 7:15, 9:45. *Mostly Martha* (PG) 11:00, 1:30, 4:15, 7:00, 9:30.

**Laemmle Monica**  
1332 2nd St.  
*Tadpole* (PG-13) 1:45, 3:45, 5:45, 7:45, 9:55. *The Good Girl* (R) 12:30, 2:50, 5:10, 7:30, 9:55. *Possession* (PG-13) 12:00, 2:30, 5:00, 7:45, 10:15. *24 Hour Party People* (R) 1:30, 4:15, 7:10, 10:05.

**Aero Theatre**  
1328 Montana Ave.  
*The Bourne Identity* (PG-13) 5:00, 7:30, 10:00.

### Today

#### Community

The Westside Walkers, a FREE program sponsored by UCLA Healthcare's 50-Plus Program! Walking programs for adults 50 or older looking for safe, low-impact exercise in a comfortable environment. The Westside Walkers meet Tuesdays and Thursdays, from 8 a.m. To 10 a.m., at Westside Pavilion, Pico Blvd. Between Overland Ave. and Westwood Blvd. In West LA. For more information about the program, call (800)516-5323.

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**BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUPS AT SMC'S EMERITUS COLLEGE.** Santa Monica College offers free bereavement support groups in the summer session through it's Emeritus College, a widely praised program designed for older adults.

Two support groups will meet Tuesdays on an ongoing basis. One group will meet from noon to 1:50 p.m. and the other from 7 p.m. to 8:50 p.m. For information and registration, call Emeritus College at (310) 434-4306.

Senior Suppers - Discounted meals for people AGE 55 or older are served daily, from 3:30 p.m. To 7 p.m., in the cafeteria at Santa Monica-UCLA Medical Center, 1250 16th Street in Santa Monica. \$3.69 Info only: (310)319-4837.

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Temple Mishkon Tephilo and its neighbor, St Clements Church are holding a joint remembrance service for September 11 on September 11 at 7:00 pm. The memorial will begin outside the church on 3rd Street off Marine Street, Venice with a

remembrance prayer led by the parish priest, Father Tomas Elis. The participants will then make a candlelight walk across Hampton Drive onto Main Street to Mishkon Tephilo for a memorial service led by Rabbi Shevitz with Father Elis. The services are open to all.

The Santa Monica Historical Society Museum will re-air **IN MEMORIAM: NEW YORK CITY**, 9/11/01 on the 1 year anniversary of the World Trade Center attacks. 2 p.m., 1539 Euclid St., Santa Monica. The program is free to the public and will include a tour of the Museum.

#### Arts/ Entertainment

Cara Rosellini hosts The Gaslite's Comic Review, followed by open-mic comedy karaoke, at The Gaslite, 2030 Wilshire Blvd. 7:30 p.m. FREE! (310)829-2382.

Poetry N Go Club, 8 pm. UnUrban Coffeehouse. 3301 Pico Blvd., Santa Monica, (310)315-0056.

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## A whole lot of bull

By The Associated Press

**VICTORVILLE** — Carolyn Sanford finally delivered the dowry her son-in-law had been demanding for years.

All 600 pounds of a Texas longhorn bull arrived Saturday just as Paul Glover was having his morning cereal.

"I couldn't believe it, a steer in my front yard!" he said.

Tired of Glover teasing her about a dowry for his wife, Dawn, Sanford came up with the prank, arranging for Oak Hills Arena, a company that provides animals for everything from commercials to Hindu weddings, to transport the 3-year-old bull.

"To open that door and see that thing, I'm still shaking," said Glover's wife, Dawn.

## A Midwestern wedding

By The Associated Press

**GREEN BAY, Wis.** — The wedding wasn't exactly traditional. There were a few cheese-headed guests, an Elvis impersonator and the legendary Packalope — half-deer, half-Packers fan.

But Sunday's nuptials for Rita Diebert and Richard Mossing were certainly memorable.

The two tied the knot in the parking lot of Lambeau Field, just a few minutes before the Green Bay Packers took to the field in their season opener against the Atlanta Falcons.

Mossing, a die-hard Packers fan from Toledo, Ohio,

drove Diebert the 400 miles to Green Bay after the couple first met and she asked him what a Packers fan was. Mossing has driven his forest green van emblazoned with "Go Packers" on the side to nearly every home game in the last five years.

"Rich has made a Packers fan out of me. I just love them. And I can't say enough kind words for the fans. We had to get married here," said Diebert.

Surrounded by a sea of green and gold, Brown County Circuit Court Judge Mark Warpinski performed the 10-minute ceremony, and cheers erupted.

Mossing, who wore Packers-themed attire, said he couldn't think of anything more exciting.

## Lawn cow gets schooled

By The Associated Press

**GREENSBURG, Pa.** — Daisy Mae has dropped out of school, the hapless victim of a heartless thief.

Or so the couple who own the 400-pound concrete cow contend.

Nancy and James Martz decorate their lawn cow to coincide with various seasons and annual events, and last week had outfitted Daisy Mae for a back-to-school display.

But when someone stole the cow's backpack, the Martzes decided to take down the decorations, including a chalkboard and pencils, and put up a sign proclaiming: "Stolen backpack caused my quitting."

"Somebody has to spoil everything," said neighbor Joan Wissinger.

Nancy Martz said other decorations will be placed on the cow this week as football season begins in earnest, including a Pittsburgh Steelers helmet and a goal post.

## Driver gets birds-eye view

By The Associated Press

**ARLINGTON, Wash.** — "Call 911! I have a hawk stuck to my arm."

It didn't take long for gas station customers to see Jamie Wing wasn't kidding.

A red-tailed hawk collided with Wing's pickup truck Thursday, and after she freed the bird's wing from the side-view mirror, the hawk invaded the truck, bit Wing's lip and then sank its talons into her right arm.

Wing, 38, said she threw a coat over the bird, tried without success to get it off her arm — and then drove to the nearest highway exit.

"Every time you touched the bird, it gripped harder," she said. "There was a point where it got so painful that I was going to reach down and break its neck myself, but I love animals and I realized the bird was in shock and pain."

Firefighters administered morphine to help ease Wing's pain, and two women from the nearby Sarvey Wildlife Center pulled the hawk off her arm.

Wing was treated at a local hospital for puncture wounds on her right arm, hand and thumb.

"I feel lucky it didn't chew me up more," she said.

The hawk had to be euthanized because both wings were broken too badly to heal or be repaired, said Kestrel SkyHawk, who cares for birds of prey at the center and is on its board of directors.

## The definition of a bad day

By The Associated Press

**ARTESIA, N.M.** — It was just one of those days for Marcos Cabezuela.

The 18-year-old accidentally shot himself in the right hand — and then ran out of gas on his way to the hospital.

Cabezuela told sheriff's deputies he and Brandon Grantham, 18, were headed to Carlsbad on Wednesday when a .357-caliber handgun Cabezuela was handling accidentally discharged.

Grantham called 911 from a cell phone as he continued driving toward Carlsbad, and sheriff's deputies and an ambulance were sent to meet them. A short time later, deputies were told the pickup was out of gas.

The ambulance found the pair about six miles southwest of White's City, and rushed Cabezuela to the emergency room at Carlsbad Medical Center, where he was treated for a gunshot wound to his right palm.

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