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*A newspaper with issues*

## Rallying the team



Carolyn Sackariason/Daily Press

Santa Monica High School head coach Norm Lacey prepares his team during practice on Tuesday afternoon for their season opener Friday night against La Costa Canyon at Santa Monica College. Look for continued coverage of the Samohi Vikings in the Daily Press throughout the season.

## Charges dropped against Santa Monica Henna artist

*Criminal case was headed for a jury trial*

BY ANDREW H. FIXMER  
Daily Press Staff Writer

The city has dropped seven of the eight charges against a Henna artist who has been repeatedly fined and arrested for performing his craft on the Third Street Promenade.

In exchange for a plea of no contest to one charge of operating a business without a license, the city attorney's office agreed last week to drop all but one charge against Luke Chanthadara.

A \$100 fine stemming from the one unchallenged misdemeanor charge will be suspended for one year as long as Chanthadara doesn't perform Henna without a proper permit. If Chanthadara complies, the charge will be dropped permanently.

Chanthadara has promised that he won't continue protesting the city's street performers ordinance by practicing his art.

Henna artists have been banned from performing on any public street after the city council in October voted 4-3 to elim-

inate the practice. But Chanthadara has continued to perform — and has continued to be cited by police — arguing that it's his First Amendment right to do so.

But that all ended July 20 when police seized Chanthadara's property and arrested him on the Third Street Promenade. Between four and six plain-clothed police officers equipped with a video camera arrested Chanthadara while he drew non-permanent designs on the skin of tourists.

"I would say it's a fairly lenient disposition," said Deputy City Attorney David

Fairweather. "Our purpose wasn't to punish or put him in jail for this. Our purpose is to make sure the laws are enforced and the violations do not continue."

The agreement between both sides was finalized on Friday, three days before the case was to be sent out for a jury trial, which was expected to last for weeks.

"My primary goal is to see that (that) activity is not repeated," Fairweather said. "I said as long as he is placed under those specific probation terms, then I would be satisfied."

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Luke Chanthadara

## City remembers victims from Sept. 11 attacks

BY ANDREW H. FIXMER  
Daily Press Staff Writer

While the terrorist attacks that took place one year ago today may have occurred thousands of miles away, the effects still resonate here.

Santa Monica residents Dora Menchaca, 45, and Carolyn Beug, 48, were aboard airplanes that were hijacked and flown into the Pentagon and the north tower of the World Trade Center, respectively.

Menchaca was on American Airlines flight 77, which took off from Dulles International Airport in Virginia. Beug was aboard American Airlines flight 11 that originated from Boston.

Menchaca, who was a Sunset Park resident, is survived by her husband Earl Dorsey, a 19-year-old daughter, Imani Dorsey, and a 5-year-old son, Jaryd Dorsey.

Beug, who lived in a north of Montana Avenue neighborhood, is survived by her husband John Beug, twin 19-year-old daughters Lauren and Lindsey Mayer-Beug, and a 13-year-old son, Nicky.

Both were proud mothers of local student athletes.

Menchaca's daughter, Imani, was a star soccer player at Harvard-Westlake before joining the soccer team at the University of Portland as a starting middle forward. Menchaca and her husband were known for not missing any of their daughter's games, even after she moved to Portland.

Imani Dorsey said through a University of Portland spokesperson that she did not want to give any interviews

during the one-year anniversary marking her mother's death.

"She needs to circle the wagons and try to deal with this if that's at all possible," said Loren Wohlgenuth, the university's spokeswoman.

Because of a rigorous soccer schedule, Imani will not be returning to Santa Monica today, he said.

**"People say they want to keep the memory alive, but I don't expect to feel any more pain that day than I feel every day."**

— IMANI DORSEY  
Victim's daughter

University administrators said a recent interview Imani had given to The Oregonian newspaper overwhelmed her. In the article, published last Wednesday, Imani said she doesn't want to be reminded by the anniversary of the tragic event.

"For me, I wish it wasn't such a big deal," she told The Oregonian. "People say they want to keep the memory alive, but I don't expect to feel any more pain that day than I feel every day."

She told the newspaper that dwelling

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## City struggles with homeless, crime in commercial district

*Santa Cruz faces same issues as Santa Monica*

BY MARTHA MENDOZA  
AP National Writer

**SANTA CRUZ** — There are bad vibes downtown these days in this liberal beach town.

City leaders, frustrated by aggressive beggars and obnoxious sidewalk behavior, want to ban Hacky Sack games and limit panhandling, political tabling and street music.

As a result, topless women, Uncle Sam on stilts, and "Jerry's kids" who would rather be following the Grateful Dead (if

there was still a Grateful Dead to follow) have been marching past surf shops, book stores and cafes chanting: "We're here, we're poor, we're not going shopping."

For several months, city leaders have been developing a package of complex new rules for the 10-block stretch in a rowdy and public process that has included dozens of meetings and protests. At the same time, there's been an unusual rash of violent crime — a shooting, a gang fight and several late night assaults.

"There's an increasing number of people who aren't being respectful to each other," City Councilman Tim Fitzmaurice said Tuesday. "We can't change their

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

★★★ Don't count on any givens, or you might be sorely disappointed. Be willing to do all the groundwork yourself. Sometimes you see far more than others. Simplify your ideas so that others can understand your logic. Build on concepts. Tonight: Adjust to a friend's need.



**TAURUS (April 20-May 20)**

★★★★ Understand more of what makes you happy through talks and by asking questions. You might have barked up the wrong tree. Be honest enough to say so. Ultimately, your happiness could be tied into your willingness to say you're wrong. Tonight: Go along with another's plans.



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

★★★ Dig into work. Confusion surrounds your plans at work. Just when you're about to take action, you find there is another boomerang in your path. Right now, you could be stalled at making no decision or taking no action. Clear your desk. Do what you can. Tonight: Get some exercise.



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

★★★★★ Welcome more pleasure into your life. Realize your limits with an associate and/or your finances. What starts out as a "yes" rapidly turns into a "no." This person simply doesn't know for sure what he or she wants to do. Loosen up with others. Tonight: Relax. Do what you enjoy.



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

★★★ In your opinion, others make situations more confusing and difficult than need be. Recognize that you can do little to change what might be happening. Choose to not react, but rather to do your thing. Stay centered, despite others' attempts to pull you in different directions. Tonight: Charge home.



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

★★★ Pace yourself in order to finish what you must. In some way, you might feel as if you run into needless interference. Close your door if you want to have an important conversation. Understand your limits here, and come to terms with someone else's ideas. Tonight: Work off steam.



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

★★★ Deal with your finances carefully. You might tumble into an endless maze if you're not careful. What might appear to be a healthy risk isn't. Hold back, and you'll get new and much-needed information. The conservative approach works for now. Tonight: Buy a card for a loved one.



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

★★★ Knowing what you want might be one thing; communicating the basics, especially to someone you think is turning a deaf ear, could be close to impossible. In your frustration, don't do anything too radical. Play it cool. Tonight: Zoom in on what you want.



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

★★★ You might not appreciate what others share with you right now. Don't become withdrawn or unfriendly, just weigh the pros and cons. You could find that you have a lot to digest. Slow down and don't make any mistakes. Tonight: Get to bed early.



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

★★★★ Not everyone sees a financial situation as you do. You might as well stand on your head, as it is a futile effort to try to convince others right now. Listen well in a meeting. Avoid developing an attitude, or in the long run, you might damage your credibility. Tonight: Fun and games.



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

★★★ Though you might believe that you present your ideas clearly, others find you to be confusing, if not downright unpredictable. Recognize and accept what others say. Be more aware of what you say and do. Get feedback from a trusted associate, and LISTEN. Tonight: Work as late as need be.



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

★★★★ Take your time sorting through information. You could be distracted and not doing the quality of work others associate with you. Pull back if need be. Your laughter draws many to you. Demonstrate an ability to laugh at yourself. Tonight: Relax to some blues or jazz.



### QUOTE of the DAY

**"My uncle was the town drunk ...  
and we lived in Chicago."**

— George Gobel

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# LOCAL

## Surveying the damage



Franklin Smith/Special to the Daily Press  
A Los Angeles Police Officer inspects a mangled motorcycle Tuesday afternoon on the Pacific Coast Highway.

An unidentified motorcyclist was airlifted to UCLA Hospital at about 3:45 p.m. after the driver of a Mercedes SUV made a left turn out of the parking lot of Gladstones restaurant unaware that the motorcyclist was traveling southbound. The occupants of the SUV suffered minor injuries. The motorcyclist is listed in critical condition, according to LAPD officials. Traffic on the PCH was backed up for miles in both directions.



## CrimeWatch

### Hotel worker robbed

By Daily Press staff

■ A front desk worker at the Four Points Sheraton Hotel was threatened by a man who said he had a gun and demanded the money in the cash box, according to police.

On Aug. 31, Santa Monica Police were called to the hotel, located at 530 Pico Boulevard, at 7:31 a.m. The victim said she saw a man exit the elevator in the lobby, walk toward her at the front desk and then told her he had a gun, police said. She complied with his demand and gave him the money in the cash box. The suspect took the money and left the hotel.

The total loss is unknown.

The suspect is described as a black male, about 30 years old, 6' and has a muscular build.

■ A Santa Monica man was stabbed in the shoulder after he witnessed what appeared to be a transient attempting to steal his roommate's car, police said.

At 8:53 a.m. on Aug. 26, Santa Monica Police responded to the 2200 block of 29th Street. The victim told police he saw a man sitting in his roommate's car and questioned him. The suspect produced a knife and when he attempted to flee, he stabbed the victim in the upper shoulder. The suspect fled on foot and was chased by a second witness who lost him in the area near 31st Street and Ocean Park Boulevard.

The stabbing victim was taken to a nearby hospital. The second witness recovered miscellaneous items found on the street. The suspect is described as a black male, between 35 and 45 years old, 6', 150 lbs. He has black hair and appeared to be a transient, police said.

■ Two trash cans on fire caught the attention of one resident in the 1100 block of Third Street on Aug. 31.

At 1:25 a.m., Santa Monica Police were called to the alley behind Third Street after a witness told officers a man standing in front of two trash cans had lit them on fire.

The suspect was gone by the time police arrived. He is described as a white male, about 5'7", wearing a light blue jacket.

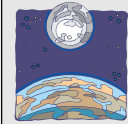


Information compiled by Jesse Haley

Decreasing size is the continuing trend today as wave height drops again. Leftover southwest swell is still good for waist- to chest-level surf at north bay spots, and standout south bay breaks. Zuma and its surrounding surf spots offer fun sets, two- and three-foot mostly, occasionally four feet and clean.

Most of the south bay will see knee- to waist-high, and wind swell waves the majority of the day.

On Thursday, activity will decrease as only a small southwest swell shows on the horizon. Waves look similar to today with less consistency. There will be sets in the three- and four-foot range, but those will most likely prove to be rare. Expect decent size waves, nice conditions, moderate to light on-shore winds in the afternoon and water temperature in the low 60s.



### Today's Tides:

High- 1:00 a.m. 4.26'  
Low- 6:45 a.m. 1.51'  
High- 1:04 p.m. 5.49'  
Low- 8:14 p.m. 0.65'

| Location    | Wednesday | Thursday  | Water Quality |
|-------------|-----------|-----------|---------------|
| County Line | 3-4'/Fair | 2-4'/Fair | A             |
| Zuma        | 3-4'/Fair | 2-4'/Fair | A             |
| Surfrider   | 3-4'/Fair | 2-3'/Fair | A             |
| Topanga     | 2-4'/Good | 2-3'/Good | 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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## LETTERS

## Insulted over living wage debate

Editor:

Francois Khoury's contention that Kurt Peterson's latest effort was an angry diatribe, struck me, as well ... an angry diatribe.

If we are going to have an intelligent debate on the issue of a living wage in Santa Monica, what we first need to do is separate the apples from the oranges — not insult the opposition.

Francois is management. Not surprisingly, he sees management's point of view. Kurt is a union organizer. That is the point of view from which he sees best.

Francois did a nice job of summarizing the advantages of workers remaining non-union; they don't have to pay dues, follow union by-laws and so on. Fair enough.

As a teacher I've long thought we've done a poor job in this country of teaching our children of just how normal came to mean a five-day, 40-hour week. Having read my history I know full well that prior to the advent of unions in this country workers had the right to work 16-hour days, six days a week, without health care of any sort, no vacations, no sick days and so on and so forth. These advantages were often shared with women and children as young as 10 years old.

You may argue, if you like, that unions' days have come and gone, but you cannot argue but that they have significantly altered the landscape for the better when it comes to working conditions. And those who doubt what management does unfettered by the counterweight of the collective bargaining system need look no farther than their history books for examples. I'd suggest starting with the Triangle Building fire in New York ...

Last time I read economics (Adam Smith's, The Wealth of Nations), the duty of management was to the bottom line — profits. The duty of the union was to its members. Sure, some individuals can cut themselves a fine deal with the boss, but what about the rest? Can they walk in and demand justice on their own? With a union they can, and they can do it on their feet rather than their knees.

P.S. It should be noted that as a teacher, I, like my nearly three million colleagues nationwide are members of state associations like CTA, and either NEA or AFT nationally.

Marc Sanschagrin  
Santa Monica

## No war in Iraq

Editor:

I am glad that the president has evidently agreed to respect the Constitution and seek approval from Congress before deciding to go to war. There is good reason for that Constitutional requirement: We cannot successfully fight a war that we don't want to fight. Congress represents the will of the people and will, I believe, oppose a war with Iraq because the people of the United States of America oppose it.

Most Americans agree that Iraq's longtime dictator, Saddam Hussein, is a bully and a murderer, but that does not distinguish him from many other dictators, many of whom this country supported when it was in our best interests to do so.

At this moment American veterans with varying degrees of disability cannot even draw their military pensions and VA disability at the same time, without waiving their rights to one or the other. We do not want to see our country add additional veterans to the already overcrowded facilities.

Invading Iraq would not lessen the threat of terrorism against the United States; doing so would undoubtedly actually increase it. No compelling evidence has been produced that links Iraq to the September 11 attacks, and a U.S. war against Iraq could incite stronger support for Al Qaeda across the Arab and Muslim worlds.

I look forward to a resounding rejection by Congress of any effort to take us into a war with Iraq.

Frances Dean Smith  
Ocean Park

## Article was in poor taste

Editor:

Re: News of the Weird by Chuck Shepard, Tues., Sept 10.

I found it incredibly tasteless for Shepard to write about turning "a loved one's cremated ashes into a diamond" the day before the anniversary of so many's loved ones being cremated when a plane hit a building and they were crushed to dust by the fire and concrete collapsing on them.

Or was it just good timing on Shepard's part?  
(You see how the media confuses us?)

H. Rosenfeld  
Ocean Park

## One year ago today ... how quickly we don't forget

EDGE  
of the  
WEST

By Ron Scott Smith



*(The following is a reprint of a column I wrote late in the night of Sept. 11, 2001. I was doing weekly radio review for an Internet magazine.)*

I sleep with the radio on.

That way when I wake up, I'm dialed right into the friendly early morning L.A. airwaves, getting local news and weather between songs, with time checks thrown in so I know how much longer to lay before facing the day.

This morning though, the airwaves are not friendly. Orson Welles is at it again. The War Of The Worlds, Part 2, or something equally twisted is coming through these speakers. Am I dreaming? I thought that hoax could only play out once.

A fully loaded Boeing 767 jetliner crashes into the 110-story south tower of the World Trade Center in New York. Yeah, right. Fifteen minutes later another 767 hits the north tower. A third commercial jet full of passengers, this one a 757, dives into and takes out one fifth of the Pentagon — the United States of America, that Pentagon — about 40 minutes later. OK, I get it. Ha. That's enough of this science fiction bullshit. I close my eyes to hopefully find a little more sleep.

But I'm just alert enough to hear the tale get taller. Way taller. Within the hour ... first one ... then the other stricken New York

City skyscraper crumbles to the ground like it's made of playing cards. Buildings falling from the clouds on top of the most populous city in the world, at the height of the morning rush hour. How far will these morning radio hoax jockeys go for ratings?

Reality check — how'd the Dodgers do last night? I get up and turn the TV on, but there's no SportsCenter. Instead, on all-sports-all-the-time ESPN there's live news coverage. Ditto the Comedy Channel and MTV. By the time all the channels down the dial are scanned it's clear this is the only thing on. This is no hoax.

This is a nightmare but I'm wide awake. Another Boeing 767 is obliterated in a head-long dive into the green hills of western Pennsylvania while aiming for the White House. This is beyond the scope of the most delirious sci-fi writer. This is New York City in dust. For real. This is Pitch-Black Tuesday. This is the starkest, most naked horror your eyes or mine will ever see. And that's not even close to all this is.

September 11, 2001 — a flash point where all our lives everywhere on this planet change forever. Get used to it.

Words will fail. But words will try. Two of the simplest are all that seem to matter right now:

Sadness. In its purest state it lies thick in the air across this land. It is simply not a thought to bear, those thousands of our brothers and sisters buried alive beneath the buildings they only entered this morning to earn a living in. It's an image that will not fade out — of giant jet planes slicing through those buildings full speed, head on. And then the two towers that stood so heroically drop like an avalanche, first the north, then the south, unable to stand on its own without its twin. Those airplane passengers — our sons, our mothers — headed away to

vacation or home from vacation. Headed somewhere, anywhere but into the side of a building or the side of a hill. Three hundred firemen right on their task, unflinching, helping crippled people out of crippled towers. But two-ton hunks of metal and concrete falling from the sky don't alter their course to miss 300 firemen.

Anger. You could insert rage, wrath, fury. Like sadness, it's here in its purest state. Lost lonely killers with nothing to live for but everything to die for, not wishing to meet their God alone, they take our thousands with them. But they will be face to face with their God all by themselves. Whoever he is, he may not have the welcome for them they expect.

And then we watch people 6,000 miles away, fellow human beings with hearts beating in their chests like yours and mine, celebrating in the street. Palestinians celebrating, passing out candy to one another, celebrating, the gruesome deaths of our innocent children, women, men. Despite the hard, cold daily battles you're engaged in, don't take to the streets on this day and celebrate. Don't go there. Your leader, Arafat, is smart enough to at least outwardly show condolence. He's already donated a pint of his blood to the American relief cause. No fool, he wants not to further stir the evil giant. His blood, ominously, tragically, might soon be more useful in hospitals closer to his homeland.

Which brings us to the angry Osama Bin Laden, whose publicly proclaimed obsession to destroy the U.S. already has him labeled as the mastermind of these attacks, before the day is even over. He's mad all right — a madman — eaten away by latter stages of terminal religious zeal. It occurs to me that even he — late tonight, when he lies down his head and goes into that truth serum-like zone just before sleep sets in —

even he will wonder, was this too much? He will quickly push such sentiment aside but he must wonder, was this too much?

Americans don't wonder, we know, and now stand united in the sadness and the anger, still in their purest state. That's a bad combination and this nation, as one, will strike back hard and heartlessly.

Many of us have resisted this path for all our lives, have nurtured anti-war instincts since the Vietnam era, and have gotten good at it. It's in our soul. But like the kid running with his rougher buddies, the kid who never wanted to get into a fight, once the fight is on and the danger is real, his reluctance disappears. The kid steps up, joins the fray, and finds viciousness born of instincts he maybe never knew he had. Instincts he maybe never wanted to have.

We're the ones who don't blindly stand behind everything our nation did or does. We don't wave flags in patriotic fervor, which is where much of this worldwide mayhem comes from in the first place. But we stand firm now, as one, in support of major retaliation in defense of our very lives. What in your hell have you unleashed, Bin Laden?

It's late now, or early — the wee hours of the morning. The day has come full circle and left me weary, disoriented, sore, even though all I've done is sit on the left coast of this staggering country and watch intense human suffering on a television.

The radio has been bizarre all day. Rush Limbaugh did not bash any Democrats. Phil Hendrie was intentionally not funny. And stranger even than that, Art Bell was just a normal guy with a radio show talking about Nostradamus and the end of the world.

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## LOCAL

# Samohi will erect memorial for resident who died on 9-11

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on those events will not help her move forward and heal.

"For the first day and week, I played it through my head a lot — how scared she must have been," Imani told The Oregonian. "But after about a week, I pushed it away from my mind because it wasn't helping at all."

Menchaca had just watched her daughter play a tournament in Raleigh, N.C. the day before she flew to Washington, D.C. to testify before the Federal Drug Administration about a new drug being released by Thousand Oaks-based Amgen, Inc., where she worked in the clinical development department.

Menchaca's FDA meeting was canceled so she boarded the American Airlines flight as a standby passenger to get home to her family sooner. She wasn't supposed to fly out until later that day.

"Dora was an absolutely lovely person," said Mary Ann Foote, an Amgen co-worker. "I describe her as being maternal, always concerned about those in her group, her patients, her co-workers and, especially, her family."

"That was why she was on that plane," Foote added. "She was trying to get back to her family."

Beug was known for her unwavering support for the girl's cross-country track team at Santa Monica High School, where her daughters attended before graduating in June 2001.

At the team's track meets, she would bring bagels, cream cheese and bananas for the entire team. When her daughters were freshmen, she bought all 250 track team members uniforms when the high school was short on funds. Then, when she found out the school's track teams didn't have warm-up suits, she provided one for every athlete on the team.

"She attended every track meet for four years," said Samohi Athletic Director Mike Griswald. "She was great to her own kids and for every kid. She was out here all the time for these kids."

"We're still not the same around here," he added. "Those of us that were close to her will never be the same."

Griswald is working with Beug's husband, John, to build a memorial for her on the north end of the track field, where roll call is taken every day before practice.

"That way people will see it on a daily basis and be reminded always of her," Griswald said.

Beug was flying home from Boston with her mother, Mary Wahlstrom, after a week of helping her daughters settle into

their new college at the Rhode Island School of Design. The girls, both film majors, start their first day of classes today.

"(The girls) are coping very well," said Pat Cady, Samohi girl's cross-country track coach. Cady said he talks to John Beug regularly and he visited with the twins over their summer vacation. "They are strong that way, they take after their mother."

"She was one of the single-most incredible people I have ever met in my life," Cady said. "She was incredibly accomplished and incredibly modest."

**"We have always had people in our lives who have died or moved to other jobs that we don't necessarily think of every day. But people tell me they think about her every day and I do too."**

— MARY ANN FOOTE  
Victim's co-worker

Both Menchaca and Beug also were successful professionally.

Beug, a former Walt Disney Records executive, was an acclaimed writer and filmmaker, who had been honored for her work on Van Halen's "Right Now" music video. At the time of her death, she had been working on a children's book.

Menchaca led Amgen's team that took potential medications through the clinical trial stage, when they are administered to humans for the first time. She was often called to Washington, D.C. to testify before the FDA about the effects of the drugs.

At Amgen, Menchaca's co-workers still collect mail sent to her from companies that haven't learned of her fate. The correspondence is placed into Foote's mailbox so she can call each company individually to let them know what happened to Menchaca.

"They won't just throw this stuff away," Foote said. "They are very protective of her. And very protective of her memory."

"We have always had people in our lives who have died or moved to other jobs that we don't necessarily think of every day," Foote added. "But people tell me they think about her every day and I do too."

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# Santa Cruz politicians deal with merchant complaints

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behavior. The best we can do is talk about space and time and place and manner."

On Tuesday about 20 protesters with duct tape over their mouths and "Reclaim Our Streets" signs walked the length of downtown before a City Council meeting where leaders planned to fine-tune — and likely postpone — implementing their ordinances.

Jay Green, sitting on the edge of a planter box in front of a downtown jewelry store, said it's police, merchants and city leaders who need to be more respectful.

"The city people must have way too much time on their hands, because that's the only reason why I think they want to hassle us and ban things like chalk and hacky sack," he said. "It's nonsense."

A few feet away, in front of a chic women's clothing store, a disheveled man with a ragged backpack puked into the planter.

"That's just Jimmy," Green said. "Don't worry about it."

As is apparent any day of the week, the heart of this

50,000 person town is very much a gathering place.

Street musicians dot the doorways, coffee drinkers soak up sunshine, political candidates shake hands and shoppers stroll between stores.

Bee, a homeless woman with bright blue eyes and sun-burned cheeks, has already propped her "Anything Helps Even A Smile" piece of cardboard on her friend, John "Wolf" DuCharme's jacket to comply with the proposed rule that signs can't be placed directly on a sidewalk.

But she said she's going to have a tough time with other nuances of the proposed law that require her to sit at least 14 feet away from a business and not lean on anything, as the proposed law states.

"Good God, what do they want me to do? Hang from the trees?" she said.

Santa Cruz is not unique in struggling with downtown tensions between merchants who want to clear the sidewalks and homeless people, wanderers, students and others who want to hang out.

Santa Monica businesses are now looking to the city council to take action against the homeless in the down-

town area, who aggressively panhandle and disrupt life for tourists, residents and merchants.

During the past few months, there have been protests over the treatment of the homeless in commercial areas in more than a dozen communities including Portland and Eugene, Ore., Boston and Sacramento. Last week in New Orleans, homeless advocates asked the FBI to investigate whether city policies violated civil rights.

In Santa Cruz, the strife is particularly painful because the district is still recovering from the 1989 Loma Prieta earthquake.

"It's changed," said councilman Fitzmaurice. "Before the quake, it was a meandering kind of garden mall. It could be extremely gregarious, but generally speaking it wasn't outrageous."

Now that the area has been mostly rebuilt (a few pits remain where there once were buildings), the area is somewhat more upscale with a large art and history museum, several galleries, a revamped art house movie theater and designer clothing stores.

# Local Henna artist may drop federal lawsuit against city

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While both sides are claiming victory, Chanthadara's lawyer, Paul Mills, said his client will now try to attack the city's Henna ban through the proper channels, which he believes will be more effective.

"Luke has established himself as a voice the city will listen to on this issue," Mills said. "Now he is going to work on hammering out a solution with them."

"Without these criminal charges interfering with anyone's perspective, or people trying to anticipate where someone is coming from because of them, a new working relationship can be established," he added.

Fairweather said the city attorney's office will continue to prosecute performers who violate the city's ordinances that try to regulate them.

"To me he's not being punished on this particular case," Fairweather said. "It wasn't about punishment but enforcing the ordinances regarding business licenses. This (agreement) has some teeth in it because he is on probation and if he violates it then he could go to jail."

Henna is a non-permanent dye used to draw on skin. But some artists use dangerous toxic chemicals, which has given the 5,000-year-old art form a bad rap in Santa Monica. Some council members think tattooing is not a performance, but a form of cosmetology.

Skin rashes and other complications are caused by "black Henna" or phenylenediamine, a hair dye. Black Henna is cheaper than traditional Henna dye, which is red and has been used for skin decorations and body art for thousands of years.

The three councilmen that voted to keep Henna in the city agree that it's an art form and should be included under the city's street performer ordinance — just like a clown who does face painting. Councilmen Kevin McKeown, Richard Bloom and Mayor Mike Feinstein lost to majority vote. Feinstein vowed to bring back the issue again when a new council is elected this fall.

Chanthadara still has a federal civil rights lawsuit pending against the city, but Mills said he is currently trying to reach another agreement that will settle that claim against the city.

"If we can work out settlement with the city that is very possible," Mills said. "I would say that's even likely. We didn't get rid of the federal lawsuit (Friday) but it's very likely we can deal with it in the next few weeks."

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## STATE



# Beach, bike path, pool keep parents afloat at marina

BY KELLY SCOTT  
Los Angeles Times

## MARINA DEL REY

— When I moved to L.A. from New York, living near a beach was a profound novelty. Twelve years later, seven of them in Pasadena and Eagle Rock, my family of four makes it to the beach twice a year, tops.

Not that we don't try: I often look for deals in Santa Barbara, San Diego or Santa Monica, but they can be hard to come by. Tipped off about summer promotions offered by the Marriott chain, I found a hotel it identified as a "resort" in Marina del Rey and booked it for the Fourth of July.

The hotel is across the street from Mothers Beach and a reasonable walk to the ocean.

Standard rooms come with a king bed and a roll-away or with two doubles. With son Devin, 8, and daughter Susannah, 5, we needed a second full bed and, if possible, separate sleeping areas for kids and parents. I asked the reservations clerk about upgrading to a suite, and she said she would make a notation on my reservation.

We arrived at 4 p.m. for check-in, no upgrade was available. But still swept up in the excitement of a hotel stay near the beach, we headed to our room on the ninth (top) floor.

My husband, Sean, and I were underwhelmed by the size and stuffy air of Room 925. But the view north, encompassing the coast, would be great for that night's fireworks. (Our rate, \$129 per night, was part of a "Come Out and Play" promotion that has since ended.)

We went down to the pool and saw at once that the photo on the hotel's Web site had been shot with a wide-angle lens. The pool is barely 20 feet long, but never gets deeper than 5 feet (perfect for kids). After about an hour and a half we started thinking about dinner.

Our plan for the weekend was to walk everywhere. About a block and a half from the hotel is Edie's, an independently owned '50s-style diner.

The lovely waterside deck was already crowded with people in a good position to watch the fireworks. We were seated near the deck door in a booth that brought to mind the old bench-style car seats.

It soon became apparent that Edie's had holiday staffing problems. Half an hour after we were seated, we still had no food, and the family of five across the aisle hadn't been able to order. But when our food finally arrived, it was fine and our beleaguered waitress comped the kids' ice cream.

Back at the Marriott, the hotel's rooftop terrace was open for watching the fireworks, and Sean and Devin headed up there. Susannah and I turned out the lights in our room, opened the curtains over the sliding-glass door and got a panoramic view of about four fireworks displays from Venice on north.

Because our room was stuffy and my husband craves the smell of the ocean, we left the sliding glass door cracked open to sleep. Big mistake. A bus stop was within earshot, and we woke to the sound

of a bus idling and accelerating at 6 a.m. The kids and I were wide-awake, so we headed down to Stones, the hotel's restaurant.

I was concerned that the white tablecloths and napkin-stuffed water goblets spelled a fancy-schmancy breakfast, but the hostess

we were pleased to find the pulsing street carnival scene there unchanged. Our kids were more taken with the array of new playground structures planted in the sand along the way.

We had lunch at Mercede's Cuban Grille, and let's just say they were a lot nicer about serving hot and tired kids than our two deserved. The food was terrific, our seaters and servers kind and indulgent.

Susannah and I took a siesta while the boys swam again, then we all walked over to Mothers Beach. With its alphabet-block lifeguard stand and plethora of children, it's a cozy, quiet beach, popular with parents of younger kids.

For dinner, we went to the family burger chain Islands and afterwards, we walked down to the pier at the foot of Washington Boulevard, watched the fishers and admired a

rather show-offy pelican.

That night we cranked up the A/C, drew the drapes and slept much better. The next morning, we went around the corner to Joni's Coffee Roaster ("Born to Be Wired"), where we had fabulous coffee, cereal, granola and bagels.

We had wanted to play tennis (which the Web site says is "nearby"), but when

we asked one of the young, attractive but somewhat uninformed desk clerks, we learned the courts are at the Ritz Carlton down the road, available to Marriott guests for \$25 an hour.

Our \$129 room rate, as with most quoted lodging prices, was somewhat deceptive: With taxes and \$14-a-day parking, it was about \$160.

## Guest Commentary

quickly brought out crayons and an activity sheet/menu for the kids. They ordered pancakes and for the rest of us, there were a variety of buffets.

Later, the four of us set out on the short walk to the beach and rented two tandem bikes.

Sean and I rediscovered the fun of biking between the ocean and the one-and-only Venice boardwalk. It had been a few years, and

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## NATIONAL

## America on 'code orange' alert



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Attorney General John Ashcroft, center, flanked by Homeland Security Director Tom Ridge, left, and FBI Director Robert Mueller, announces at the Justice Department in Washington Tuesday that the Bush administration raised the nation's terror alert warning to its second highest level, code orange, signaling a "high risk" of attack ahead of the Sept. 11 anniversary.

## Poll: Public optimism, patriotism high despite continuing fear of attacks

**BY WILL LESTER**  
Associated Press Writer

**WASHINGTON** — Americans are more patriotic, more inclined to spend time with their families and very optimistic about the future of the country a year after the terrorist attacks of Sept. 11, new polls suggest.

These positive feelings come at the same time they have increasing doubts about the effectiveness of the campaign against terrorism and continuing fears of more terrorist attacks.

The ABC News poll released Tuesday found that eight in 10 Americans say they are optimistic about the future of this country and even more are optimistic about their own futures. More than eight in 10 said it was essential to spend time with their families, up from six in 10 who felt that way two years ago. Seven in 10 said they were "extremely proud" to be Americans; just over half said that in January 2001.

Two-thirds in polls taken by ABC and CNN-USA Today-Gallup said they are displaying the American flag regularly these days.

President Bush's job approval rate was at 71 percent in the ABC News poll and 66 percent in a Fox News/Opinion Dynamics poll, slightly higher than several recent polls that put him in the low 60s.

Almost four in 10 in the Gallup poll said they are concerned that they or a family member will become a victim of terrorism, down from almost six in 10 who felt that way a year ago.

Two-thirds in the ABC poll said they are scared there might be more terrorist attacks. That's only a slight drop from the three-fourths who felt that way soon after the attacks.

And their view of the campaign against terrorism suggests they think the battle is far from over. Four in five in the ABC poll said the most difficult part of the war on terrorism is yet to come.

Just over a third in the Fox poll, 36 percent, said they think the United States is winning the war on terrorism.

The ABC News poll of 1,011 adults was taken Sept. 5-8 and the CNN-USA Today-Gallup poll of 1,003 adults was taken Sept. 2-4. The Fox News poll of 900 registered voters was taken Sept. 8-9. All three had error margins of plus or minus 3 percentage points.



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# NATIONAL



## Study links brain tumors and older cell phones

BY GRETCHEN PARKER  
Associated Press Writer

**BALTIMORE** — In what could bolster an \$800 million lawsuit against Motorola and major cell phone carriers, a new study found a possible link between older cell phones and brain tumors.

Although many studies have found no cancer risk from cell phone use, the research published in the latest European Journal of Cancer Prevention said long-term users of analog phones are at least 30 percent more likely than nonusers to develop brain tumors.

Newer digital phones emit less radiation than older analog models of the sort studied.

The lawsuit against cell phone manufacturer Motorola was brought by Christopher Newman, a Maryland doctor stricken with brain cancer. A federal judge is expected to decide by month's end whether case should go to trial and if so, whether the study can be used as evidence.

"From our perspective, and from a public health perspective, the court should just be aware of what's out there," said Newman's lawyer, John Angelos, whose firm has made millions suing asbestos and tobacco companies.

If the case is allowed to go forward, it

could open the door to other major lawsuits against the wireless communication industry. So far, no similar claims have been successful.

A Motorola attorney criticized the methodology of the new report, which was written by Swedish oncologist Dr. Lennart Hardell.

Hardell studied 1,617 patients with brain tumors and compared them with a similar-sized group of people without tumors. He found that patients who used Sweden's Nordic Mobile telephones were 30 percent more likely to have brain tumors, especially on the side of the head that touched the phone most often. Those who used the phones longer than 10 years were 80 percent more likely to develop tumors.

Newman's lawsuit names Motorola, Verizon and other wireless carriers. He claims the analog cell phones he used from 1992 to 1998 caused him to develop a cancerous brain tumor behind his right ear. The tumor was removed, but Newman is blind in one eye, suffers memory loss and slowed speech and can no longer work, his lawyers say.

Three major studies published since December 2000, including one by the U.S. National Cancer Institute, found no harmful health effects from cell phones.

## Cities are seeing an increase in the use of illegal drug 'khat'

BY STEPHANIE V. SIEK  
Associated Press Writer

**COLUMBUS, Ohio** — An influx of immigrants from Somalia and other African and Middle Eastern countries has led to increased use in some U.S. cities of the illegal drug khat, a leaf that is chewed for its amphetamine-like high, authorities say.

Khat has been seen in cities such as Detroit and New York since the 1980s. But it was virtually unknown in Columbus and Minneapolis until the late 1990s, law enforcement authorities say.

Use of the drug appears to be confined largely to immigrant communities, police in Columbus and Minneapolis say.

Khat has been illegal since 1993 in the United States. According to the Drug Enforcement Administration, chronic use can cause violence and suicidal depression similar to amphetamine addiction, though the agency said it was unaware of any examples.

Khat has increased in prevalence in the past several years with an influx of immigrants from countries such as Somalia, Ethiopia, Kenya and Yemen where khat is widely used, authorities say.

"What coffee is to Americans is what khat is for Somalis," said Omar Jamal, executive manager of the Somali Justice Advocacy Center in St. Paul, Minn. "The whole thing about khat being addictive is very strange for Somalis. It's a completely different frame of thinking."

Community groups say their people are being targeted and are not aware they are breaking the law. Police say they are confident immigrants know khat is illegal.

Khat leaves contain cathinone, which is chemically similar to amphetamine. The shiny, bright green or reddish-green

leaves are sold attached to thin, rhubarb-like stems. A bundle of 15 to 35 sticks costs about \$40 in Columbus. Users often brew the leaves or stuff them into their cheeks like chewing tobacco.

"Like what you would get from two or three beers — that little feeling that lets people forget problems and troubles," said Ali Sharrif of Toronto, who is from Somalia and said he used to chew khat in his homeland. "It makes talking and communicating a lot more easier somehow. You feel like you are suddenly very, very alert."

Most khat that makes its way to the United States comes from East Africa, where it is a major export. Because khat's potency dramatically drops after 48 hours, it usually is delivered by air express or by courier, law enforcement officials say.

According to the DEA, the only known case of khat cultivation in the United States was in 1998 in Salinas, Calif., where authorities seized 1,076 of the plants.

In Hennepin County, which includes the Minneapolis area, khat-related charges have been filed against 10 to 20 people in the past year, said Dan Rogan, spokesman for the county attorney's office. St. Paul-Minneapolis has the nation's biggest Somali community, estimated at up to 50,000 members.

In Columbus, where community groups estimate there are more than 30,000 Somalis in the second-biggest concentration in the United States, police have seized 860 pounds of khat so far this year. Sgt. Ben Casuccio said that in all of 2001, Columbus police seized 633 pounds. In 2000, they confiscated about 8 1/2 pounds.

The number of khat-related charges in Columbus was not available because authorities do not classify charges by drug.

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## INTERNATIONAL

# Is Washington singling out Iraq in nuclear weapons crusade?

BY WILLIAM J. KOLE

Associated Press Writer

**VIENNA, Austria** — China has them. The United States, Britain and France have them. So do India and Pakistan. Israel likely does, and North Korea may be trying to get them.

Nuclear weapons abound, in friendly and unfriendly hands. So why is Washington singling out Iraq in its post-Sept. 11 crusade to purge the world of the threat?

The obvious explanation: Saddam Hussein — who has used chemical weapons against neighboring Iran and his own people — refuses to let U.N. weapons inspectors return to check intelligence reports that he may be trying to build a nuclear bomb.

But as President Bush ratchets up his quest for support for an invasion of Iraq, agencies monitoring the global proliferation of weapons of mass destruction say a regime change in Baghdad won't eliminate the menace posed by other unpredictable governments.

"There's always a worry when one country is focused on that others will be ignored, and that's a mistake," said David Albright, a former Iraq weapons inspector who runs the Washington-based Institute for Science and International Security.

"There are serious problems in South Asia that aren't getting addressed, and the Bush administration isn't reaching out at all to Iran," he said. "These situations are very dangerous and require a lot of attention. If everybody's looking at Iraq, it's more difficult to come up with an overall engagement strategy."

The Federation of American Scientists, which keeps tabs on nuclear arms worldwide, offers a bleak assessment of the global threat:

■ At least 17 countries either have nuclear weapons or are believed, based on Western intelligence, to have the means to produce them. Seven nations have confirmed nuclear arsenals: Britain, China, France, India, Pakistan, Russia and the United States. Israel, which is reported to have up to 100 warheads, has never confirmed its arsenal. Countries suspected of pursuing nuclear weapons include Iran, Iraq, Libya and North Korea.

■ Nineteen countries are suspected of having or pur-

suing biological weapons. They include Egypt, India, Iran, Iraq, Israel, Laos, Libya, North Korea, Pakistan, Russia, South Africa, Syria and Taiwan.

■ Sixteen nations have the missile technology capable of carrying nuclear or biological weapons to distant targets. Aside from major nuclear powers, they include Egypt, India, Iran, Iraq, Libya, North Korea, Pakistan and Syria.

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Thirty-two countries produce more than 150 different kinds of unmanned drone aircraft capable of flying undetected below missile-defense systems to deliver a nuclear or biological payload, the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace says in a new book, "Deadly Arsenals: Tracking Weapons of Mass Destruction."

Ominous threats abound elsewhere, the foundation contends: China has 20 nuclear-armed missiles capable of hitting the United States, and Libya has produced more than 100 tons of blister and nerve agents.

"After Sept. 11, the terrorist use of weapons of mass destruction seems the more urgent danger, but ... the acquisition of those weapons, even by established nations,

dares catastrophe," author Joseph Cirincione says.

The Vienna-based International Atomic Energy Agency, the United Nations' nuclear watchdog, monitors the status of nuclear materials in dozens of countries.

"But we're limited in being able to provide total assurance in countries that have not signed agreements enabling us to much more intrusively go in and determine whether a nation is pursuing a secret nuclear program," said IAEA spokeswoman Melissa Fleming.

Iraq, whose military was decimated by the Gulf War, likely doesn't have nuclear weaponry, despite the Bush administration's insistence that Baghdad is working to acquire the technology.

"There's no urgent need to go to war," said Albright, the former weapons inspector.

The respected International Institute for Strategic Studies said in a report this week that although Baghdad has substantial supplies of chemical and biological agents, a nuclear bomb could be years out of its reach. It hastened to add, however, that Iraq could build a bomb "in a matter of months" if it obtained high-grade radioactive material.

Is the fuss over Iraq obscuring the broader fight to contain the nuclear, chemical and biological threat? Dennis M. Gormley, a senior fellow at the London-based institute, doesn't think so.

"There's a decided difference between Iraq and the other members of the so-called 'axis of evil,'" Gormley said. "There's a track record of irresponsibility on Iraq's part. For 11 years, Iraq has flouted 16 U.N. Security Council resolutions. Iraq has used chemical weapons against its own population and against one of its neighbors, Iran."

During the 1980-1988 Iran-Iraq War, Iraqi forces used chemical weapons numerous times. U.N. investigators confirmed the use of two main Western-made formulas: mustard gas and a nerve gas.

In 1988, Saddam's military bombed the Iraqi town of Halabja to put down Kurdish rebels, killing an estimated 5,000 people.

"In a sense, we have this narrow window of opportunity to do something about what can only become worse," Gormley said. "This may be our last best chance."

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## INTERNATIONAL



# Iraq calls on Arabs to 'confront' America

BY SELCAN HACAOLU  
Associated Press Writer

**BAGHDAD, Iraq** — In conflicting signals, a senior Iraqi official on Tuesday called on Arabs to rise and "confront" America, barely a day after another official said Iraq wanted to be a trade partner, not a battlefield foe, with the United States.

In the United Nations, meanwhile, U.N. chief arms inspector Hans Blix said there was no evidence from aerial photos or other sources that Iraq has weapons of mass destruction or is trying to build them. But he added there are still "many open questions" about Iraq's weapons programs that need to be answered.

He urged Iraq to allow U.N. inspectors back and reiterated that if Baghdad cooperated fully with inspections he could recommend that the Security Council suspend sanctions within a year.

Washington accuses President Saddam Hussein of harboring terrorists and possessing weapons of mass destruction. President Bush said he hasn't yet decided whether to attack Iraq but he insists that Saddam must be removed from power.

Regarding the current standoff with the United States, Iraqi Vice President Taha Yassin Ramadan said: "We categorically believe that the aggression on Iraq is an aggression on all the Arab nation."

Speaking to reporters in neighboring Jordan, he said: "It is the right of all the Arab people, wherever they are, to fight against the aggression through their representatives and on their soil ... by all means."

His remarks came less than 24 hours after Foreign Minister Naji Sabri, speaking in Baghdad Monday night, said: "We do not want to fight anybody, we do not hope that a war is waged against our country. We'd like to live in stability. We'd like

to live in peace."

He said Iraq was hoping to revive the trade ties it enjoyed with the United States before Iraq invaded Kuwait in 1990. The United States led the 1991 Gulf War that forced Iraq out of Kuwait.

Saudi Arabia, meanwhile, joined European nations in saying the United States should work through the United Nations to contain any possible Iraqi threat.

President Bush's administration, trying to build world support as it considers military action to oust Saddam, says debate among its allies has shifted from a question of whether the United States should confront Iraq to how.

Bush said Tuesday he will ask the United Nations "to deal with the problem."

"I'm deeply concerned about a leader who has ignored the United Nations for all these years, refused to conform to resolution after resolution after resolution, who has weapons of mass destruction," Bush said.

Arab nations have staunchly opposed any military action against the Iraqi leader, saying it would throw the Middle East into turmoil. The Saudi foreign minister, Prince Saud al-Faisal, said an attack would lead to the dismemberment of Iraq, but suggested Riyadh would follow the U.N.'s lead.

"If there is an operation, the decision has to be taken by the United Nations," the Saudi minister said in Paris after meeting French President Jacques Chirac.

Leaders from Italy, France, Spain, Denmark and the Netherlands denounced Saddam in exceptionally blunt terms this week, saying he poses a threat with his alleged drive to develop chemical, biological and nuclear weapons. But the leaders suggested Washington first seek U.N.

## Gearing up for ceremonies



Wally Santana/Associated Press

**Coalition Joint Task Force CJTF-180 soldiers practice raising and lowering the U.S. flag for the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks anniversary ceremonies on Tuesday at the Bagram air base, Afghanistan.**

backing for any action.

Russia and China oppose any attack on Baghdad and both hold veto powers on the U.N. Security Council. Russia's First Deputy Foreign Minister Vyacheslav Trubnikov said in an interview published Tuesday that an American strike could split the international anti-terrorism coalition.

European Commission President Romano Prodi, speaking to Portuguese radio station TSF Tuesday, said he opposes unilateral U.S. military action against Iraq and wants Washington to ensure the support of the Security Council and the United States' allies.

Senior U.S. administration officials said Bush, in an address Thursday to the U.N. General Assembly, planned to urge the United Nations to demand that Saddam open his weapons sites to unfet-

tered inspections or face punitive action. But he was not expected to set a deadline, as Chirac has reportedly proposed.

Iraq says reports that it possesses chemical and biological weapons and is seeking to develop nuclear weapons are lies spread by the United States and its closest ally, Britain, to justify an attack.

The United States accuses Saddam of sponsoring terrorism as well as holding weapons of mass destruction. Iraq has launched a campaign trying to refute the claims.

Reporters in Baghdad Monday were escorted on a tour of a site Iraqi defectors say was a terrorist training camp. The Iraqi government claims the camp 25 miles east of Baghdad was used to train security forces to respond to hijackings.

# Arafat's Fatah group pledges to stop attacks in Israel

BY MARK LAVIE  
Associated Press Writer

**JERUSALEM** — Yasser Arafat's Fatah movement pledged for the first time Tuesday to try to stop attacks on Israeli civilians by its militiamen, creating a small opening for a truce. Other militant groups said attacks would continue.

A Fatah leader, however, cast doubt on the statement, and Israeli officials dismissed it as giving tacit approval for attacks on Israeli soldiers and settlers in the West Bank and Gaza Strip.

The statement came a day after Arafat spoke to the Palestinian Legislative Council, meeting at his headquarters in Ramallah, and repeated his call for an end to attacks on Israeli civilians. In the past, West Bank Fatah activists have defied such calls and continued attacks.

Meanwhile, senior Israeli and Palestinian officials met to discuss measures to ease tensions. Israeli Foreign Minister Shimon Peres and Palestinian Cabinet Minister Saeb Erekat, a confidant of Arafat, headed the two teams.

Palestinian Trade Minister Maher el-Masri said the meeting produced no results.

A statement from Peres' office said that in the next few days, Israeli Defense Minister Binyamin Ben-Eliezer would meet with his Palestinian counterpart, Abdel Razak Yehiyeh, to discuss a Palestinian proposal that Israel withdraw its forces from the section of Hebron that was returned to the Palestinians under the 1990s interim accords but later reoccupied by Israel.

"In every place where you can prove that you are taking responsibility (for stopping terror attacks), we will pull out," Peres told the Palestinians, according to the statement.

In mid-June, Israel took control of seven of the eight

main Palestinian population centers, responding to suicide bombings in Israel. Under an agreement last month, Israel returned Bethlehem to the Palestinians, but the other part of the understanding — restoring Palestinian control in reoccupied parts of Gaza — has not been implemented.

The Fatah statement Tuesday was unusual in that for the first time the group cited not just practical reasons for opposing attacks — that they prompt Israeli retribution and create world sympathy for Israel, but also out of a need "to prevent all attacks against civilians in accordance with our moral values."

Groups affiliated with Fatah, most notably the Al Aqsa Martyrs Brigades, have carried out scores of attacks during the two years of fighting, including some suicide bombings and shootings inside Israel.

The statement said the attacks give Israel an excuse to retaliate and denounced Israel's actions as "aggressive acts taken by the occupier." It listed the expansion of Jewish settlements, demolition of Palestinian houses, curfews, roadblocks and other measures by Israel.

The statement said Fatah endorsed the Palestinians' "legitimate rights in resisting the occupation" — usually a formula for justifying attacks on soldiers and the more than 200,000 Jewish settlers in the West Bank and Gaza.

However, senior Fatah leader Hussein al-Sheik said the three-page document was just a draft. He said it was part of a dialogue between Fatah and militant groups like Hamas and Islamic Jihad which ended after the Israeli air force bombed a Gaza apartment building earlier this summer, killing top Hamas militant Salah Shehadeh and 14 other people. "We still have some reservations," al-Sheik said.

Another Fatah leader, Marwan Barghouti, expressed his reservations in a statement from an Israeli jail, emphasizing that the group reserved the right to fight

Israeli occupation. Barghouti, a leader of the Palestinian uprising, is on trial for alleged terrorism.

Raanan Gissin, spokesman for Israeli Prime Minister Ariel Sharon, said the Fatah statement was insufficient because it did not rule out attacks against Israelis in the West Bank and Gaza.

"There can't be any acceptance of divisions of terrorism," Gissin said, "in other words if you attack in Israel that's bad terrorism, but if you attack in the territories, that's good terrorism."

Palestinians demand a state in all of the West Bank and Gaza Strip with the mainly Arab section of east Jerusalem as its capital. Because of the violence, which helped topple the Israeli government of former Prime Minister Ehud Barak, Sharon canceled a proposal that came close to meeting most Palestinian demands and appears willing to offer far less.

In Ramallah, the Palestinian parliament debated Arafat's new Cabinet — the result of a June reshuffle — but was not expected to vote until Wednesday. A group of legislators threatened to topple the Cabinet, saying Arafat has failed to fire corrupt and incompetent ministers.

The vote is seen as a test of Arafat's political strength. After decades of one-man rule, Arafat has been weakened in recent months. The United States and Israel are disregarding him as a matter of policy. Many Palestinians are dissatisfied with what they see as vague promises to carry out reforms and fight corruption.

Arafat's Fatah movement has been among his main critics, with activists calling for him to appoint a prime minister — a demand backed by the United States.

Speaking to reporters late Tuesday, Arafat said a prime minister could be appointed only after creation of a Palestinian state.



## SPORTS

# Razor's edge separates A's, Angels in AL West

BY BETH HARRIS

AP Sports Writer

**ANAHEIM** — Not much separates the Oakland Athletics and Anaheim Angels in the waning days of the regular season.

Both teams are coming off double-digit winning streaks and boast the two top pitching staffs in the American League.

They'll be seeing each other seven more times as they battle for the AL West lead. The first-place A's held a three-game lead over the Angels going into Tuesday night's game.

"It's going to be fun down the stretch," A's third baseman Eric Chavez said. "Every game's going to matter."

The A's won 2-1 Monday in the opener of a four-game series that will affect who wins the division title. It was Oakland's 23rd victory in 24 games. The loss snapped Anaheim's 10-game winning streak.

"You're not going to see too many games decided by five or six runs too much in the last few weeks, so it comes down to clutch hitting and playing good defense," Chavez said.

Oakland's pitching staff leads the AL with a 3.64 ERA; the Angels are second at 3.67. The A's lead the major leagues with 17 shutouts; Anaheim has 13 shutouts, the most since it had the same number 10 years ago.

"If we can split with these guys, that would be great," Oakland pitcher Tim Hudson said. "That's all you can really ask for against a team of that caliber."

On Wednesday, the A's will start Cory

Lidle, who has started in five of Oakland's last seven shutouts.

"You're definitely aware it's quite possible their staff can shut you down," Anaheim pitcher Kevin Appier said. "They're a solid ballclub and we're aware of that. We got to be able to counter it."

Mindful of Anaheim's 6-14 start, the worst in franchise history, shortstop David Eckstein refuses to label the current series as make-or-break.

"If you take that approach, you can get too high or you can get too low," he said. "In this game, you got to stay at an even keel, that's why we go back to just one game at a time."

It's been a remarkable season for the Angels, who haven't made the playoffs since 1986.

With 19 games remaining, they own the best record (88-55) in franchise history. Anaheim leads the AL wild-card race by four games over Seattle, a team that was running away with the division a year ago.

"Our confidence is at a level that we're not carrying any ghosts of what happened last year," manager Mike Scioscia said. "They're going out there trying to make plays and not worried about making mistakes."

Attendance still isn't what the Angels would expect for a series pitting the two hottest teams in baseball.

Monday's game drew 28,145, and through 72 home games, the Angels have had just 11 sellouts and remain short of the 2 million mark. Club officials expected a sizable walkup crowd for the series,

## An Orioles steal



Ron Frehm/Associated Press

**Baltimore Orioles' Luis Matos (32) steals second base as the ball thrown by New York Yankees first basemen Nick Johnson gets past second baseman Alfonso Soriano in the fifth inning on Tuesday at Yankee Stadium in New York. Yanks pitcher Andy Pettitte made a pick-off throw to first. Matos went to third base on the errant throw by Johnson.**

but had only 3,068 walkups Monday.

"It's tough right now, especially with school starting back up, to come out during a weeknight," Eckstein said. "But if we keep playing well, I think the fans are going to come."

Those that do show up are increasingly enthusiastic for laid-back Orange County. The Angels' ubiquitous rally monkey doesn't just show up on Edison Field's big screen; the primate comes out in droves,

especially when the team trails late.

And with all of their remaining games against division rivals (seven with Oakland and six each with Seattle and Texas), the Angels could extend their status as the AL's second-best comeback team.

"Pretty much every game is going to come down to the final three innings," Eckstein said. "If you like some good baseball, it's going to be played in the next three weeks."A

# Webber vows to fight charges of lying to grand jury

BY GREG BEACHAM

AP Sports Writer

**SACRAMENTO** — Chris Webber, still sweating from an offseason workout, was cool and collected Tuesday as he vowed to fight charges that he lied to a federal grand jury.

Ignoring the advice of his lawyers, Webber said he was speaking out because "I wanted to show my supporters I am not running away from the situation."

"I will fight this case to the end, and I feel that I will be vindicated," the Sacramento Kings All-Star forward said.

Webber was indicted Monday on charges he misrepresented his dealings with Ed Martin, a former University of Michigan booster who claims he loaned the NBA star \$280,000 while Webber was an amateur player. Martin also said he loaned money to other Michigan basketball players, including two who admitted taking it.

"I did not lie to the grand jury," he said at the Kings' practice complex.

It's too soon to say whether Webber will miss any games in the upcoming season to deal with his legal woes, said Geoff Petrie, the Kings' vice president of basketball operations.

Webber, who led Michigan's "Fab Five" team to two NCAA title games, has repeatedly denied taking significant amounts of money from Martin. Webber was charged with obstruction of justice and making a false declaration before a grand jury, according to the FBI and U.S. attorney's office in Detroit.

The maximum penalty on each charge

Webber faces is five years and a fine of \$250,000.

Wearing a suit and tie in front of a large contingent of reporters, Webber described Martin, a former auto worker, as a predatory fan who placed unwanted attention on promising athletes such as Webber, who starred at Detroit Country Day High School before attending college in nearby Ann Arbor.

"This case is about a man who befriended kids like myself, preying on our naivete, our innocence, claiming that he loved us and that he wanted to support us, but later wanting to cash in on that love and support that we thought was free," Webber said.

Although he read a statement and did not answer questions from reporters, he did manage to joke about his perspiration: "I'm sweating because I had a good workout today."

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

In three weeks, Webber will start the second season of his seven-year, \$123 million contract — the second-largest deal in NBA history when he signed it last summer. While preparing for the season, he'll also be dealing with the possible repercussions from occasionally accepting what he's previously said were small amounts of money, mostly under \$50, from Martin.

Petrie and Kings coach Rick Adelman joined Webber inside the Kings' workout center next to Arco Arena while several of his teammates practiced a few feet away. If Webber, the Kings' leading scorer and rebounder, is happy and focused,

Sacramento will be a strong favorite to win its first league title.

Webber said he will continue to speak out.

"I will dedicate time speaking to kids and families that are in athletics such as myself about the pitfalls of athletics and those who prey on kids and young families," he said. "Hopefully, they can learn from this experience."

Martin pleaded guilty in May to conspiracy to launder money, admitting he took gambling money, combined it with other funds and lent it to several players while they were still amateurs.

Martin, 68, said his payments included \$280,000 to Webber; \$160,000 to Robert Traylor, now with the New Orleans 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 to the grand jury they received the loans, said their attorney, Steve Fishman. Former Michigan star Jalen Rose, now with the Chicago Bulls, said in May he took "pocket money" from Martin.

Payments to college players violate NCAA rules. The indictment said Webber, his father and aunt gave false information to the university in its internal investigation and the school forwarded it to the NCAA.

The indictment says Webber, his father and his aunt conspired to conceal the cash, checks, clothing, jewelry and other benefits provided to the player and his family by Martin from 1988 to 1993.

## Shaquille O'Neal's big toe surgery scheduled today

By The Associated Press

**LOS ANGELES** — Los Angeles Lakers center Shaquille O'Neal is scheduled to have surgery today on his arthritic right big toe.

The 30-year-old O'Neal could be sidelined for up to six weeks, meaning he might not be ready when the three-time defending NBA champions open the season Oct. 29 against San Antonio.

He will undergo a cheilectomy, the removal of bone spurs in the joint that have caused pain and restricted his motion.

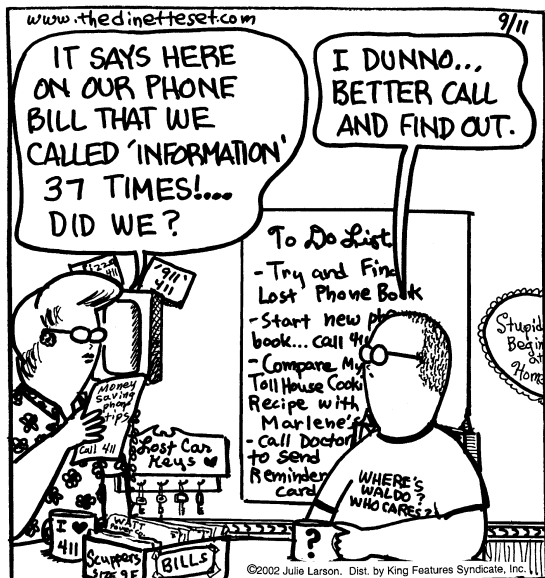
Dr. Robert Mohr will perform the operation at UCLA Medical Center.

O'Neal played last season using a combination of medication, orthotics and other treatments to ease the pain, but he still was bothered by the sore toe.

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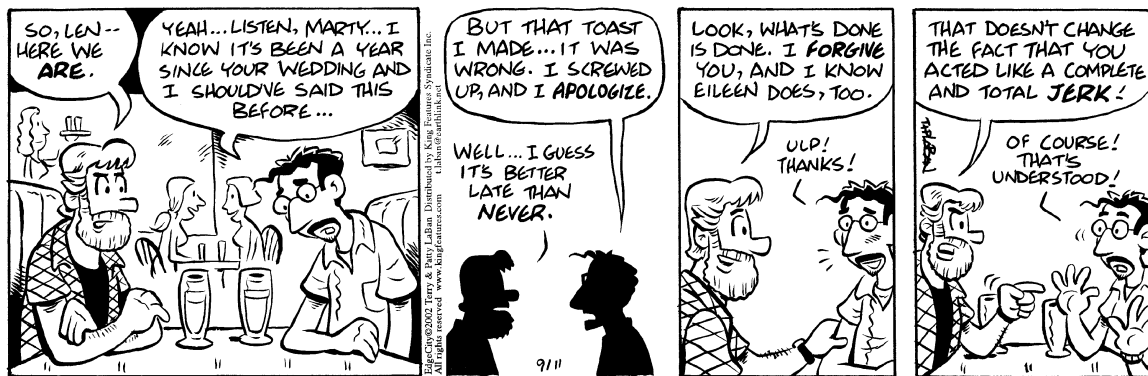
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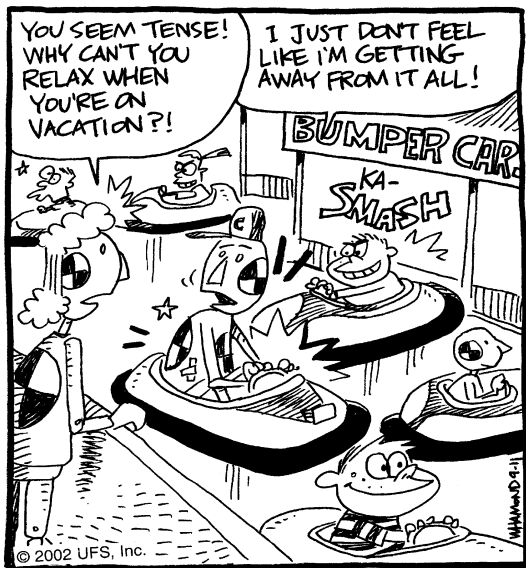
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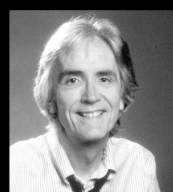
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by Chuck Shepard

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# Calendar

Wednesday, September 11, 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.  
*Soder 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 Church of Scientology, Mission of Santa Monica, is offering special assistance during the anniversary of 9/11. Volunteer Ministers provide counseling for grief, anxiety, fear and other effects of 9/11. 10 a.m. To 10 p.m. Daily through September 15. No charge. 1337-C Ocean Ave. For more information please call (310)576-1010.

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.

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 parishpriest, Father Tomas Elis. The participants will then make a candlelightwalk 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.

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Medical Center, 1250 16th Street in Santa Monica. \$3.69 Info only: (310)319-4837.

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### Theater / Arts

"The Big Wheel," an exhibition of photographs of the historic Santa Monica Pier and Pacific Park by Juanita Richeson, is on display until September 20 at the Main Library Art Gallery, second floor, 1343 Sixth Street. The exhibition is free and open to the public. For more information about the program, the public can contact the Santa Monica Public Library at (310) 458-8600, or visit the photographer's web site [www.metro-olisphotos.com](http://www.metro-olisphotos.com).

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