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Riley Sartell, 7, raises his hand Tuesday during a session of peace games at John Muir Elementary School. The events are regularly held to encourage students to resolve conflicts using non-violent methods.

Santa Monica pays for its voice on Capitol Hill

BY ANDREW H. FIXMER
Daily Press Staff Writer

It wasn't an act of random kindness when the United States Congress awarded a \$6 million public works project to help stabilize the Pacific Palisades Bluff along the Pacific Coast Highway two years ago.

And the majority of U.S. Senators didn't simply have a soft spot in their hearts for Santa Monica when they recently voted to override a decision by the Bush administration to cut half the city's federal grant money from the nation's budget.

Behind the scenes, Santa Monica had a paid lobbying firm to ensure federal assistance.

Since 1994, Santa Monica has paid The Ferguson Group about a half million dollars to represent its views to Congressional representatives who are mostly outside of the Los Angeles region.

"It's to all the other members of Congress where we don't have a direct relationship where they help us the most," said Kate Vernez, who manages the city's affairs with other governments. "It's been a very successful partnership. It's a very important relationship."

That relationship was renewed by the city council last week, when council members voted unanimously to approve an annual contract with Ferguson for \$63,600.

Vernez said the lobbying firm will play an important role as city officials work to extend

the proposed Exposition light rail line from downtown Los Angeles into Santa Monica.

The firm also will be crucial in ensuring oil companies are held accountable in cleaning up the city's water wells contaminated with a carcinogenous gasoline additive called MTBE, she said.

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— KATE VERNEZ
Government relations,
assistant to the city manager

And the lobbying firm is essential in representing the city council's positions on federal legislation ranging from ATM fees and affordable housing issues to environmental causes and tourism-related matters, Vernez said.

"They (Ferguson) are very well-regarded in Washington and they represent a number of California cities there," Vernez said.

The Ferguson Group is the largest lobbying

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Local tobacco merchant conned out of thousands

BY ANDREW H. FIXMER
Daily Press Staff Writer

When a substantial cigar deal went up in flames, an alleged con artist used smoke and mirrors to deceive two local merchants out of thousands of dollars.

Hail Azeri, owner of Tobacco Zone at 2400 Main St., was sued in Santa Monica Small Claims Court last week by Michelle Bouchoucha, who was trying to retrieve \$5,000 he had given Azeri under what Bouchoucha claimed were fall pretenses.

But Santa Monica Small Claims Judge Pro Tem Michael Graham ruled against Bouchoucha because

he believed the money was a partial payment for the cigar deal gone bad.

"I believe you knew what this money was for," Graham said. "Now you're trying to get it back but I think you're going after the wrong person."

Graham said it sounded like both businessmen were taken by a clever scheme to defraud them.

"I am convinced you were both conned," he said. "You both got screwed."

Bouchoucha, who operates an herbal remedy store in Venice Beach, said the money was a loan to help Azeri. But Bouchoucha didn't even

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Husband, wife identified in local murder-suicide

Husband had outstanding warrants for violence

BY CAROLYN SACKARIASON
Daily Press Staff Writer

The man who shot and killed his wife before killing himself this past weekend had two outstanding warrants for domestic violence and threatening to use a firearm, police said.

Stephen Louis D'Anjolell, 52, had a \$15,000 warrant in Santa Monica issued in March for domestic violence and a \$5,000 warrant issued from West Hollywood for exhibiting a firearm in a rude or threatening manner, said Santa Monica Police Lt. Frank Fabrega.

Details of either case were not available at presstime.

D'Anjolell's two daughters found him and their mother, Julieann D'Anjolell, 51, dead in the living room of their apartment, located at

909 Euclid Ave. Sunday morning. Residents who live near the couple said they heard gunshots on Friday at about 6:15 p.m.

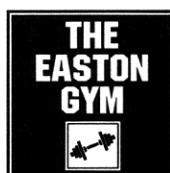
Concerned that they couldn't reach their parents, the daughters went to the apartment, broke in through a window and found the couple dead at about 11:30 a.m., according to witnesses. The daughters, one in her early 20s and the other a teen-ager, screamed loud enough for neighbors to rush to the scene. An unidentified man with the daughters called Santa Monica police, who had the crime scene taped off until the late afternoon when the Los Angeles Coroner's Office removed the bodies.

Autopsies were conducted Tuesday. The coroner ruled Julieann D'Anjolell's death a homicide with a gunshot wound to the head. Stephen D'Anjolell's cause of death has been ruled a suicide, with a gunshot wound to the head.

Several neighbors said the couple, who lived in the apartment for about three months, fought incessantly.



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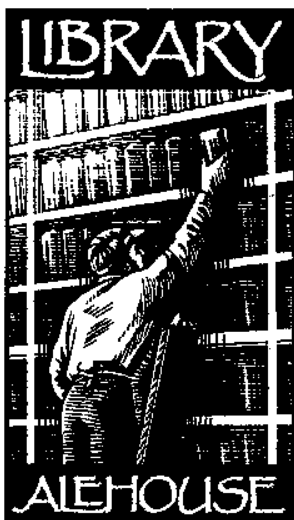
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ARIES (March 21-April 19)

★★★★★ Unexpected news gets your adrenaline running. Get into the moment and deal with what might be coming up via a friend or associate. Meetings give yet another slant on a personal problem. Talk with someone directly. Tonight: Visit with friends on the way home.



TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

★★★★ Take the lead, especially if unexpected matters disrupt plans. You can deal with much more than others can because of recent experiences. Finances might be tight, but you will figure out a way to get around any hassles. Tonight: Make it to a meeting.



GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

★★★★ Reach out for someone who cares a lot about you. Carefully consider options that surround travel, more education and a better ability to understand other styles. Your serious, thoughtful consideration touches someone you care about. Tonight: Try something different.



CANCER (June 21-July 22)

★★★★ Work with an associate or partner. Your feelings will go in another direction if you stay open. Carefully consider your options that surround a child or loved one. Sometimes you give too much, causing yourself a problem. Tonight: Togetherness counts.



LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

★★★★ Carefully consider options that surround an unpredictable pal. How you deal with someone can make or break a key issue. Talk about your long-term needs with someone who can help you develop a long-term plan. Tonight: Take a midweek break.



VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

★★★ Recognize others for their help and extra efforts when you explain a change or initiate a new project. How you see a developing situation might not be as hard or difficult as you think. Express your interest in learning something new. Tonight: Know when to call it quits. Go home.



LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

★★★★★ Excitement and change get you going. Be willing to adapt and change direction. Your humor and fun nature like the challenge. Reach out for someone at a distance. You might not have a complete perspective, but someone else does. Tonight: Find a Leo to play with!



SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

★★★★ Consider someone's feelings. This person might act in a most unexpected way, but ultimately this person knows what works for him or her. Take your time in a discussion with someone who seems closed off. You have good people skills; use them. Tonight: A quiet evening at home.



SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

★★★★ Continue to reach out to those in your immediate environment. You could be jolted, as an unanticipated development blows your plans. Don't be hard on an associate or loved one. This person might feel bad enough already. Tonight: Out and about.



CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

★★★★ Recognize your limits with an associate or friend. You won't be able to change his or her mind. Work drains you, and you might need some time off. Be realistic about how much you can do. Take a break or cut out of work early. Tonight: Get extra sleep.



AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

★★★★ You decide that another approach can work. As a result, you might not get done what you need to. Carefully consider your options surrounding a difficult loved one. Talk all you want, but actions always speak louder than words. Tonight: Whatever puts a smile on your face.



PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

★★ You could be more drained than you realize. Take your time with those you care about. Slow down. In fact, if you can take a personal day, do so. Everyone needs time off sometime. Don't let depression get the best of you. Tonight: Vanish. Do for yourself.



QUOTE of the DAY

"England produces the best fat actors."

— Jimmy Cannon (1910-1973)

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LOCAL



surf report Information compiled by Jesse Haley

Today we're seeing a building swell out of the north-west (275-295 degrees). It should mix with southwest (190-200 degrees) swell for two- to three-foot surf at exposed breaks; west facing spots being the best, of course.

Thursday promises decreasing swell conditions and slumping wave heights. Look for decent sets during the good tides.

On Friday, LA should see some activity from tropical storm Iselle, though it is too early to tell how Iselle will impact surf.

Today's Tides:		
Low-	2:46 a.m.	-0.19'
High-	9:06 a.m.	4.51'
Low-	2:33 p.m.	1.89'
High-	8:22 p.m.	5.58'

Location	Wednesday	Thursday	Water Quality
County Line	2-3'/Fair	2-3'/Fair	A
Zuma	2-3'/Fair	2-3'/Fair	A
Surfrider	1-2'/Fair	1-2'/Fair	A
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The Q Line

A recent demonstration on the beach by housekeepers who work at a half dozen different hotels begs the question of whether or not they are entitled to more money because their employers are feeling the pinch of the economy's downturn.

The housekeepers want a higher wage, more breaks, a longer lunch, less hotel rooms to clean and family health insurance, among other things.

They say many of their co-workers were let go last year and now the ones that have been spared their jobs are being asked to

work harder for the same amount of money.

So this week, Q-Line wants to know: **"Is it the hotel ownership's responsibility to give their workers more money or is more work for the same amount of money just part of keeping your job given the current economic climate?"**

Call (310) 285-8106 with your response before Thursday at 5 p.m. We'll print them in Friday's paper. Please limit your comments to a minute or less; it might help to think first about the wording of your response.

Man arrested after he allegedly made threats

BY CAROLYN SACKARIASON

Daily Press Staff Writer

A Culver City man was arrested Tuesday after he allegedly assaulted and threatened a woman in a Santa Monica neighborhood the day before.

Vince Yoshito Nishisaka, 38, was arrested by Santa Monica Police early Tuesday for making criminal threats, domestic violence, carrying a concealed firearm and stalking, according to Lt. Frank Fabrega. Nishisaka was booked into the Santa Monica Jail. His bail is set at \$150,000.

The victim, who resides in Redondo Beach, went to the Santa Monica Police station on Monday at 5:30 p.m. to report that Nishisaka allegedly threatened her and hit her with the rear view mirror he reportedly broke off her car about four hours earlier.

She told police he approached her between Arizona Avenue and Santa Monica Boulevard near 20th Street. She was dropping off her child at a school in the area. She told police Nishisaka want-

ed to talk about their relationship. She agreed and followed him two blocks east in her car. Nishisaka got into her car and they had a conversation. During the conversation, Nishisaka allegedly threatened her and then struck her with the mirror. He fled the area. The victim sustained a cut and bruise from the incident.

As part of their investigation and additional information that Nishisaka might pose a serious threat to the victim, Santa Monica Police conducted surveillance of Nishisaka's home in Culver City throughout the night.

At about 6:30 a.m., Nishisaka was seen leaving his home in his car. A few minutes later, Santa Monica police pulled him over at Lindblade and Stoner Avenue in Culver City. Police searched the vehicle, where they found a loaded firearm.

Fabrega said the SMPD routinely does domestic violence investigations that take officers outside of the city.

"It was important that the suspect was found because the victim is in fear all the time which made it imperative for his arrest," he said.

LOCAL SPORTS BRIEFS

Hard fought battle ends in first Viking loss

BY JESSE HALEY

Special to the Daily Press

The defending Bay League Champion Vikings suffered their first loss, 32-24, Friday night at the hands of the La Costa Canyon Mavericks.

Ricky Johnson gave up four interceptions and two safeties in his first career start as quarterback.

La Costa's pass rush pressured Johnson for four quarters, but after going down 14-0 in the first quarter, Johnson hit wide out Paul Helmy in the end zone for a six-yard touchdown.

The Vikings went for two but La Costa's defensive line stuffed Johnson on the quarterback sneak to make the game 14-6.

The Vikings' lackluster kick returns left them with poor field position, twice inside the 10 yard line, leading to four La Costa points on safeties.

Samohi failed to convert on four PATs with one missed place kick and three attempted two-point conversions falling short of the end zone.

Tail back Chris Clay rushed for a touchdown in the second half, and the Vikings scored on a Maverick fumble, to make it 25-24 Mavericks in the final minutes of the third quarter.

The Vikings and Mavericks played strong fourth quarters, but the deciding blow was struck by Mavericks' quarterback Kevin O'Connell who found his tight end open for a touchdown in the final minutes of the game, ending it at 32-24.

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OPINION

LETTERS

Tired of city's inaction

Editor:

I recently obtained a book from the Santa Monica Main Public Library (aptly named, wouldn't you say?) relating a personal account of a renowned journalist's bicycle journey across America circa early 1990s.

The author was ending his journey at the Santa Monica Pier and I was struck with sadness as he related his impression of what he encountered as he entered Southern California in general and Santa Monica specifically. To quote from pages 239 and 240:

"I had lived in Santa Monica after moving to Southern California from Denver in 1970 but something had happened to the upscale town of my memories. On every street I turned down looking for familiar sights were vacant-eyed, raggedy homeless people. They were urinating in alleys, pawing through dumpsters, sprawled in grassy parks, a babble of incoherent voices and gnarled fingers that reached out for money ... I accelerated. The headline that flashed to mind said: 'Visitor Crossing USA on Bicycle Mugged, Killed Two Miles Short of Finish Line.' After the normalcy of the back roads of America that had been my home, I felt as though I had been plopped down on an alien planet."

What more can be said! I live and work in Santa Monica and feel abandoned by the city. I am tired of the prolonged discussions of both sides regarding the homeless and so many other topical issues. I am tired of dealing with panhandling, of stepping over sleeping bodies, and the overall unsightliness of this ocean side city among so many other issues. Apparently, the homeless, the tourists, the wealthy are the preferred demographics for this city as the infrastructure is in place to meet THEIR needs. Excuse me, while I fight traffic to go shopping in one of our neighboring cities.

The author ended his 3,012-mile journey in Santa Monica, with, what I consider the ONLY real negative/horrified perspective in his entire account of dozens of cities across America. I am truly ashamed.

We may judge ourselves by our intentions while the world judges us by our actions.

Lost among all the agendas,
Kevin McNulty
Santa Monica

Show some compassion

Editor:

Recently, I have noticed a proliferation of voices calling for a change in Santa Monica's homeless policies. Many of the opinions have framed the discussion as a contest between the interests of the homeless and the interests of other residents and visitors. While the writers have offered various compromises for balancing the group interests, little attention has been paid to the subjective experience that I think many residents have in their contact with homeless people: Guilt. It is an phenomenon that I feel offers a window to a deeper understanding of our situation. As many of the commentators have noted, the Promenade offers a great deal to Santa Monicans.

I might have a delicious meal, see a movie, or browse one of the stores. These are pleasurable activities. But the pleasure of these activities is parasitic on the belief that I am entitled to this joy. When I emerge from the restaurant and am confronted with destitution and desperation, some of my pleasure evaporates as I wonder why it is me that gets to live as I do. I think this experience of guilt is instructive — it helps remind me that not all people live as well as I do. Although this is a painful reminder, it is crucial in summoning compassion and a commitment to respect the dignity of all people.

While the magnitude of the suffering of the homeless is imposing, it should not overwhelm us and lead to the conclusion that we cannot or should not help. I think if we pay close attention to our own emotions, they can guide us to humane policies.

Matthew Brensilver
Santa Monica

'This sand is your sand, this sand is my sand ...'

EDGE of the WEST

By Ron Scott Smith



"At one o'clock we will sell at public outcry to the highest bidder, the Pacific Ocean, draped with a western sky of scarlet and gold ... we will sell a southern horizon, rimmed with a choice collection of purple mountains ... the title to the land will be guaranteed to the owner. The title to the ocean and sunset, the hills and the clouds ... and the song of birds is guaranteed by the beneficent God who bestowed them in all their beauty ..."

Thus raved the loquacious auctioneer, Tom Fitch, only slightly carried away, as he prepared to sell off the first pieces of Santa Monica back in 1920-something.

They who bought weren't going to take the poetic pitchman literally were they?

They were. Apparently some guys up along this coastline really think the ocean and the sunsets and the birds are written into their home ownership titles.

David Geffen for one. The California Coastal Commission, overseers of the shorelines that belong to no one in particular, but everyone in general, recently ordered a path be opened next to Geffen's seaside mansion that would allow the pub-

lic to walk from the Pacific Coast Highway to the sand. Their sand. His sand, but their sand too. It's the people's sand on that nice little beach out there, not just yours, David, so lighten up, and open up. But no — he's got the pathway blocked, the city of Malibu in his corner, and together they're suing the Coastal Commission and the California Conservancy, along with an environmental group, Access For All, to keep us off "his" beach. I don't know, are we that undesirable? That messy? Anybody else out there feeling a bit insecure and unworthy?

OK Dave, you had the ear, you found the talent, you got the hits and caught that big green wave which carried you right up onto those pristine sands outside your estate. Your Dream Works. But that doesn't mean you own that wave or the sand it crashes on. Just be grateful you've been able to ride it, and enjoy the view of it from your windows. Look where it's brought you! But if it pisses you off to have to look at, or join others out there enjoying that sun and that surf — people whose dreams work not quite so magnificently, then good advice might be to take some of your many millions and go somewhere a little more private and a little further away from the huddled masses on "your" beach. What limitless options to have at your disposal! What breathtaking choices available to you! And you choose to sue everybody in sight for trying to offer up the ocean to all, to pauper and

record/movie mogul alike.

David Geffen discovered Don Henley and the Eagles, among others, to begin his lifelong ascent into that rarefied air — the financial stratosphere where men can own oceans. Don Henley once wrote this verse about the town he now lives in for a beautiful and haunting song called "The Last Resort."

"Then the chilly winds blew down across the desert

Through the canyons of the coast to the Malibu.

Where the pretty people play, hungry for power

To light their neon way and give them things to do."

So, it would seem, he had some idea of what he was getting into when his own wave landed him up in "the Malibu" too. But now, he fights that same damn bothersome Coastal Commission that his old buddy Geffen fights, because it has recently given its approval for a large commercial and residential development to be built near the civic center. It would no doubt mean increased traffic headaches, and that drive up PCH at the end of an afternoon of high lunch and business in town is already a bitch, even without this new development. And there'd surely be more visitors from poorer places like LA and, uh, Santa Monica. Did I mention insecure and unworthy? The fact that this new center may include sports fields, day care facilities, and sen-

ior citizen/teen centers, along with needed housing, it would seem to give it some kind of redemptive quality, but ... no, the fight is on.

It's odd and sad to see this music icon, one with songs of truly great social consciousness, engage in this battle to ostensibly give his life more privacy, more ease with which to be lived, and, as with Geffen, keep people away. You've got the house up there nestled into a hillside full of the endangered sage and chaparral but now that you do — no more houses, no more development, enough is enough — save the sage. Something like that, right?

In Poe's classic "Masque Of The Red Death" — not soon to be re-released by Geffen's Dreamworks — the upper crust, the wealthy denizens, gather inside and close their mega-castle in defiance to the pestilence and sickness sweeping through the lowly outside world. The lucky ones inside, however, soon are felled by the worse plague already within.

Don Henley's words again:

"Who will provide the grand design, what is yours and what is mine

Cause there is no more new frontier, we have got to make it here.

We satisfy our endless needs and justify our bloody deeds

In the name of destiny and in the name of God."

(Ron Scott Smith can be reached at edgeofthewest@aol.com).

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LOCAL



Reputation good on the Hill

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firm in Washington, D.C. specializing in local governments. The bi-partisan firm represents municipalities in more than 16 states, including many in California.

While not every city across the state has a paid lobbyist in Washington, the practice is becoming increasingly popular, said Dwight Stenbakken, a legislative director with the League of California Cities.

"I have a feeling there are a good number of cities with representation back there," Stenbakken said. "There's probably in the neighborhood of 50 to 100 cities with representatives on a regular basis. That wouldn't surprise me."

Many cities, like Beverly Hills and West Hollywood, largely rely on the league and the California Conference of Mayors to represent their views to Congress, although at times they contract with lobbyists for special causes, Stenbakken said.

"It kind of depends on the issue," Stenbakken said. "You can be a medium to small city but maybe you have a large

federal issue in your community, whether it's water quality or transportation, then size doesn't make a difference."

But he added, "You have to be able to afford to put the resources in to have a lobbyist and I suppose that's easier for a medium to large city."

Charmayne Macon, who primarily handles Santa Monica's lobbying at Ferguson, said the city keeps her busy. Macon said she is always looking for information on federal issues she knows Santa Monica is concerned about.

But unlike many other cities, Santa Monica doesn't simply go to Washington with its hat in hand, she said. Santa Monica elected officials frequently take positions on broad-ranging policies that are heard on Capitol Hill.

"They are very active, more so than most," Macon said. "They have their projects where they come to Congress to get their dollars, but they are also very active when it comes to policies they support and those" they want to be heard on.

"But because they don't just come when they need money," she said, "Santa Monica also has a very good reputation."

Neither side wins in cigar deal

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know Azeri — he was asked by his business partner, Amro Boucelli, to help out Azeri, who sold Boucelli \$10,000 in cigars.

Sound confusing? It gets even more complex.

Boucelli attempted to pay Azeri the \$10,000 for the cigars, but the check bounced, Azeri said. It wasn't until Azeri threatened to press criminal charges that Boucelli went to Bouchoucha and asked him to write a \$5,000 check to Azeri so he wouldn't call the police, Azeri said.

But Bouchoucha said Boucelli told him Azeri was having trouble paying for a large order of merchandise for his store and needed a short-term loan.

"We had done this before, so I didn't think it was a big deal," Bouchoucha said. However, he testified in court that he only knew Boucelli as an acquaintance, yet he has done similar loans with him.

Bouchoucha said he knew nothing about the botched cigar deal until after the \$5,000 check had been cashed. He said if he had been told Boucelli owed Azeri, he wouldn't have given him the money.

"I had no reason to give \$5,000 to this gentleman," Bouchoucha said. "If he had told me what this person (Boucelli) was all about I never would have handed over the money."

Azeri claims Boucelli and Bouchoucha had previously been business partners and were close friends. Azeri said the small claims lawsuit was merely another part of the pair's scam to rip him off.

Bouchoucha denies knowing Boucelli

as more than an acquaintance. But sources have said the pair were business partners in a clothing store that went belly-up in Santa Monica a few years ago.

Neither man said he knows where Boucelli is and they haven't seen him in months.

Boucelli did not appear in court and couldn't be located for comment.

Sources said Boucelli is being investigated by the Santa Monica Police Department for writing bad checks.

"We cannot confirm or deny that there is an investigation ongoing," said SMPD Lt. Frank Fabrega.

Azeri believed Bouchoucha's check was a partial payment for the cigars. When Azeri sued Boucelli in court earlier this year, he sought a judgment for \$5,000 because he counted Bouchoucha's money as a partial payment.

"Why would I only sue him for \$5,000 if he owed me (\$10,000)?" Azeri asked. "Because I already had part of the money."

"This is a problem between him and Mr. Boucelli," Azeri added.

Graham agreed. He pointed out Bouchoucha had written on the check's memo "payment for Amro Boucelli" after it had been processed and returned by the bank. Graham said it appeared Bouchoucha had unsuccessfully attempted to alter what was written in the memo section to disguise the check's true intent.

But even so, Graham said neither side was a winner in the case.

"I'm not going to like ruling either way on this matter," he said, "because you both got taken."

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Corsairs' QB out for three to five weeks

Santa Monica College quarterback David Koral suffered a broken clavicle during Saturday's season opener against College of the Canyons. The Vanderbilt transfer will be out for three to five weeks.

Prior to the injury, Koral went 13 of 24 passing for 258 yards, two touchdowns and two interceptions.

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STATE

Global Crossing ready to leave Beverly Hills

BY SIMON AVERY
AP Business Writer

BEVERLY HILLS — Gary Winnick, founder and chairman of Global Crossing, is looking for a buyer for the opulent former headquarters of the failed telecommunications firm.

Winnick bought the landmark complex through his investment firm Pacific Capital Group for \$41.5 million in 1998 and then leased it to Global Crossing through a subsidiary, North Crescent Realty, for \$400,000 a month.

North Crescent Realty has hired real estate firm Cushman & Wakefield to sell the property.

Martin Morgenstern, a senior director at Cushman & Wakefield, said Tuesday there is "significant interest" in the property, but declined to say whether it would fetch more or less than the amount Winnick's firm paid.

Initial proposals from interested buyers range from turning the historic complex into a boutique hotel to using it as a medical office, Morgenstern said.

Winnick himself works out of a replica

of the Oval Office inside the gated plaza. Through his firms, he conducted at least \$7.5 million of renovations on the site, of which Global Crossing paid \$3.2 million, according to regulatory filings.

Global Crossing broke its lease in April, but Pacific Capital continues to use some of the offices. Winnick's firm did not immediately return a call for comment.

The property was designed by architect Paul Williams. It is modeled after an Italian villa, complete with elaborate gates, statues, fountains and reflecting pools.

The site came to symbolize the flamboyant, big-spending ways of Bermuda-based Global Crossing, which had hoped to dominate the market for high-speed communications with its unmatched 100,000-mile fiber optic network.

The property includes two buildings with a total of 124,000 square feet of office space. The north building was built in 1938 for MCA. The south building was constructed in 1963 for Litton Industries.

The listing comes a day after Global Crossing submitted its reorganization plan with a New York bankruptcy court.

'Surf City USA' a no-fly zone for airborne banners

BY CHELSEA J. CARTER
Associated Press Writer

HUNTINGTON BEACH — "Surf City USA" has imposed a no-fly zone for airplanes towing banners over its famous strand of beach, making it the first coastal city in California to ban aerial advertising.

The Huntington Beach City Council approved the law to put a stop to airplanes buzzing its city and beaches with banner ads touting everything from beer to clubs to tacos.

Some owners of aircraft companies said Tuesday they would defy the law, passed 24 hours earlier by a 5-2 vote. Federal regulators said they would continue to issue permits for pilots pulling banners in spite of the law.

"They allow billboards along the freeways, but they won't allow beach banners? It's discrimination," said Bob Dobry, owner of Aerial Promotions Inc. of Long Beach.

"We want them to cite us. We want them to violate us. We're going to court and we're going to sue them."

But officials say the law falls within the city's rights, and was wanted by its residents who were annoyed with the airplane noise and the banners towed through the beach community dubbed "Surf City USA," as in the Jan and Dean rock classic.

The law was inspired by a 1996 Honolulu ordinance that restricted certain aerial advertising after that city received complaints about one company's use of a helicopter at night to tow a huge electronic sign.

The Honolulu ordinance survived legal challenges by aerial advertising companies that argued the law did not apply to the sky and regulation of air traffic was the responsibility of the FAA. The ordinance was upheld by the 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeal in January.

But the Huntington Beach ordinance

goes one step farther.

Under the law, which takes effect in 30 days, police can cite aircraft companies, pilots or advertisers up to \$1,000 if banner ads are towed over city limits, which includes the beach and extends three miles out to sea. Pilots can also be sentenced to as much as a year in jail under the law.

Mayor Pro Tem Connie Boardman said the law will help other coastal cities that have long wanted to keep noisy planes away from their residents. Laguna Beach, Manhattan Beach and Newport Beach are also considering their own bans, she said.

FAA spokesman Jerry Snyder said the city ban would not change the way it operated.

"The FAA believes that we have jurisdiction over airspace issues," he said.

Snyder said the FAA is responsible for aircraft inspection and for providing the waivers that aerial advertisers need to fly at altitudes lower than established for general aviation.

"It's not our ordinance. We don't have any control over the city's attempts of enforcing it," he said. "We are going to continue to operate as the FAA has in the past," including issuing permits for aerial advertisers.

On Thursday, one of Dobry's airplanes towed a banner advertising pizza along the near-deserted stretch of beach, 25 miles south of Los Angeles.

He said he would not stop flying through the city.

"The City of Huntington Beach does not control air space. If they did, the city could say we don't want that 737 flying over our city going into John Wayne Airport or we don't want the space shuttle flying over our city," Dobry said. "There is nothing unsafe or illegal about what we do."

But for resident Robert Shapiro, who lives a few hundred yards from the beach, the ban was a long time coming.

STATE



Santa Cruz officials help give away pot at City Hall

BY MARTHA MENDOZA
AP National Writer

SANTA CRUZ — Cutting ribbons, making declarations, attending medical marijuana giveaways at City Hall, it's all in a day's work if you're the mayor of Santa Cruz.

"Santa Cruz is a special place, and today we're letting the world know how compassionate we can be," said Mayor Christopher Krohn. "We're taking a stand."

Krohn and his colleagues on the City Council planned to join workers from the local medical marijuana center at a pot giveaway for sick people Tuesday. Their goal: let federal authorities know that, in this town, marijuana is considered medicine for those who are ill.

Marijuana is illegal — as a medicine or as a recreational drug — under federal law. But state law, and county and city ordinances, say it's legal if recommended by a doctor.

In Santa Cruz, and many California communities, local law enforcement works closely with growers and distributors who help sick people obtain marijuana. Krohn said he and his colleagues don't plan to handle the marijuana, but will stand in solidarity with the clinic workers and users.

The City Hall pot distribution comes less than two weeks after agents from the federal Drug Enforcement Administration arrested the owners of a local pot farm and confiscated 130 plants that had been grown for use as medicine at the Wo/Men's Alliance for Medical Marijuana.

DEA spokesman Richard Meyer said he

was appalled by city leaders joining the giveaway, and would not discuss whether his agents would show up to make any arrests.

"Marijuana is an illegal drug in this country," he said. "Our job is to enforce the law."

Santa Cruz Police Chief Steve Belcher said his officers work closely with WAMM, and that they did not plan to arrest registered, legitimate members picking up their medicine.

However, he said, "This is not going to be a smoke-out at City Hall."

People who show up to smoke pot for fun, without a doctor's recommendation, could face arrest, he said.

There is no official city sponsorship of the event — council members and medical marijuana advocates simply are acting on their own in a public space, said City Attorney John Barisone.

Alaska, Colorado, Hawaii, Maine, Nevada, Oregon and Washington also allow marijuana to be grown and distributed to people with a doctor's prescription. But the DEA has focused its raids on medical marijuana growers and distributors in California.

Community members in this liberal community repeatedly have supported medical marijuana. In 1992, 77 percent of Santa Cruz voters approved a measure ending the prohibition of medical marijuana. Four years later, state voters approved Proposition 215, allowing marijuana for medicinal purposes. And in 2000, the city council approved an ordinance allowing medical marijuana to be grown and used without a prescription.

Trailer park may become Los Angeles historic monument

By The Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — A little-known trailer park that dates to the 1920s may be enshrined as an important piece of the city's history.

The City Council is considering naming the Monterey Trailer Park to the list of historic and cultural monuments, joining 715 other sites that range from an avocado grove to the Hollywood sign.

State and federal officials say it may be the first U.S. trailer park given historical status.

But the park's new owner doesn't want the honor. Peter Young says he is trying to restore the 1.7-acre property, one of about five-dozen mobile home parks in Los Angeles.

"For eight years, it was sitting there with nothing done to it," Young said. "And now that I'm trying to restore it, they're calling it historical. You should have seen the amount of trash that was hauled."

The site in Highland Park, a few miles northeast of downtown, was built in the early 1920s by Elmer Drummond, who named it the Monterey Auto Camp. It boasted laundry facilities, 10 guest cabins, two small Craftsman-style homes, and a setting that included Monterey pines, Chinese elms, century-old live oaks and even a pair of California redwoods.

"It is a real part of our history," said Meri Pritchett, a member of the Los Angeles Conservancy member who helped nominate the site for historic sta-

tus. "It's especially part of LA's history, because people came into this area post-World War I, and there were a lot of these auto camps acting as temporary housing before LA was able to boom."

Today, the guest cabins are gone but Craftsman-style homes and some of the other facilities remain, along with 22 trailers and mobile homes shared by about 30 residents.

"It's like a bubble here, a time capsule ... the land of the lost," said Ed Lum, a 36-year-old graphic artist who has lived there since 1996. "To get a space here is about like getting a good apartment in New York. You have to wait until somebody dies, almost."

John Agnew, who collects vintage trailers, said he "just fell in love" when he discovered the park eight years ago. Agnew, 40, now lives there and convinced his sister and several friends to follow. He failed in an effort to buy the park, which Young purchased in April for \$540,000.

He and his friends are possessive about the site.

"He didn't just buy a piece of property. He bought family," Agnew said of Young. "He bought a big relationship with a lot of people with different backgrounds."

The city's Cultural Heritage Commission nominated the park on Sept. 4. The City Council hasn't voted yet but it usually follows the commission's advice, said Jay Oren, the city's historic preservation officer.



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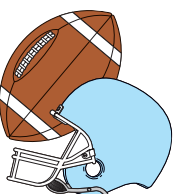
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NATIONAL

County sues lawyer accused of having sex with client

By The Associated Press

SEATTLE — King County filed suit against a public defender accused of having sex with her murder-defendant client in jail and against her employer, seeking \$800,000 to cover expected trial delay costs.

The civil lawsuit filed Thursday against Theresa Olson and The Defender Association, the largest of four groups that contract with the county to represent indigent clients, alleges the public defense contract was violated.

"It's not any different than in previous incidents, where somebody has, by their negligence, cost the county a lot of money," county budget director Steve Call said. "We file a claim to recover our costs. It's a prudent way to do business."

The damage figure reflects what the county already has paid for the defense of Sebastian Burns, who is charged with

three counts of aggravated first-degree murder in three 1994 beating deaths.

A jail sergeant said he saw Olson, 43, having sex with Burns, 26, in a jailhouse conference room on Aug. 10.

Olson's lawyers, David Allen and Todd Maybrow, said Monday the county should wait until after the murder trial to claim any damages. The defender group's executive director, Robert Boruchowitz, said the lawsuit is "meritless."

Burns' trial, delayed for nearly six years while he and co-defendant Atif Rafay fought extradition from Canada, is set for April 28. Deputy prosecutor Jim Konat has predicted the case will be rescheduled for some time in 2004.

The county "will incur additional costs for defense in an amount at least as much as the amount already paid to date to defendants," according to the court filing.

Ex-mayor takes to airwaves before serving prison time

BY BRIAN CAROVILLANO

Associated Press Writer

EAST PROVIDENCE, R.I. — Vincent "Buddy" Cianci Jr.'s new — although perhaps brief — career as a talk-radio host began with an explanation for why the convicted former mayor of Providence has decided to step into the booth.

"I have to work. I have to pay bills," Cianci said Monday morning. "No. 2, it would be boring to sit at home all day. No. 3, I don't have any restrictions on my freedom of speech."

He will appear each morning from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. with Steve Kass on WPRO-AM 630.

A bevy of TV cameras and reporters captured Cianci's first day on the job. He reminded listeners that he's no longer mayor and has no claim to the title.

"Call me Buddy," he said. "That's my name."

Cianci, 61, was convicted in June of racketeering conspiracy and was sentenced earlier this month to five years and

four months in prison for heading what prosecutors called a wide-ranging bribery scheme out of City Hall.

Cianci, who stepped down from office earlier this month after his sentence, said he'll talk about anything listeners want — from politics to current events to his own legal troubles.

"If people want to waste their time calling me and telling me I'm a jerk, they can do that," he said.

But Cianci's new career may not last long. He is due to report to prison on Dec. 6. He appealed his conviction and has asked a federal appeals court to free him on bail until his case is heard.

Like much of his career, Cianci's talk-show turn, and last week's appearance as an election-night analyst for a local TV station, has generated its share of controversy.

His radio debut generated far more calls than is typical for a Monday morning, and the overwhelming majority of callers offered words of support to Cianci and applauded the station for putting him on.

Parents charged in girl's death

BY PAUL FOY

Associated Press Writer

SALT LAKE CITY — A couple have been charged with killing their 4-year-old adopted daughter by forcing her to drink large amounts of water.

The girl's parents said she was given the water as part of a form of therapy to promote family bonding. But prosecutors disputed that and said she was being punished for drinking Kool-Aid.

Richard Killpack, 34, and Jennete Killpack, 26, of Springville, were charged Monday with child abuse homicide and child abuse. They were not arrested and are awaiting a court summons.

Prosecutors said Cassandra Killpack was forced to drink so much water it caused fatal brain swelling. She died June 10.

Cassandra was tied with her hands behind her back when she tried to fight off her parents, said Sherry Ragan, chief of Utah County Attorney's criminal division. Cuts and bruises were found around the girl's mouth.

Defense attorney Philip Danielson said Cassandra drank only three glasses of water.

"These parents had no intention of hurting their child. In fact, all this was done in an attempt to help the child through an extreme emotional problem," Danielson said.

He said Cassandra was physically and sexually abused before being adopted and was not bonding with her new parents. He said the Cascade Center for Family Growth in Orem promoted forced water drinking for children with attachment disorder. Such children resist loving relationships and are violent and unmanageable.

Center director Larry Van Bloem denied that his therapists promoted forced water drinking. "No, we never recommend it," he told The Daily Herald of Provo.

In June, Springville police searched the Cascade Center for therapy records on Cassandra.

"There is not any evidence to prove any criminal culpability on the part of the center," Lt. Dave Caron said.

NATIONAL



Problems with new air traffic system may threaten safety

BY JONATHAN D. SALANT

Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON — A problem-plagued \$1.3 billion air traffic control system still has major flaws that must be corrected before it debuts in November, congressional investigators say.

The problems remain so severe that they will jeopardize air safety if not fixed, the General Accounting Office, the investigative arm of Congress, said in a report issued Tuesday.

Federal Aviation Administration spokesman Scott Brenner said the agency is correcting any flaws and won't use the Standard Terminal Automation Replacement System, or STARS, if it has safety-threatening problems.

"Obviously, we're not going to deploy a system that is not 100 percent safe," Brenner said. "This is new technology. We'll work out all the bugs before we deploy it."

But officials of the union representing the FAA employees who certify and main-

tain air traffic control equipment say they worry that the agency will install the system even if it doesn't work properly.

"We are very, very concerned that the FAA is so determined to deploy STARS that they'll deploy it even if they shouldn't," said Tom Brantley, vice president of the Professional Airways Systems Specialists. "If the system is not certified properly, if we can't verify that the information is accurate, then that could absolutely lead to big problems. They have to know where that aircraft is. It's our job to make sure the system will tell them that."

The full STARS is scheduled to make its debut in November in Philadelphia. Limited versions are now in El Paso, Texas; Syracuse, N.Y.; Memphis, Tenn.; Hartford, Conn.; Birmingham, Ala.; Albuquerque, N.M.; Detroit; Albany, N.Y.; and Providence, R.I.

Eventually, STARS will be installed at dozens of sites where controllers track planes from takeoff to cruising altitude. It

will replace several different models of computers now in use and offer full-color displays instead of monochrome. It contains weather maps and can be expanded to produce even more detail about storms.

But the GAO, the Transportation Department inspector general and the union say the equipment doesn't always present a reliable picture of area traffic.

"These problems, if not corrected, might prevent FAA from using STARS to control air traffic and might jeopardize safety," the GAO said.

Blanche Necessary, a spokeswoman for Raytheon Co., which is building the system, said the company and the FAA are testing STARS and making changes as needed. "Everything keeps getting tested and retested," she said.

STARS has been plagued by cost overruns and delays, according to both the GAO and the Transportation Department inspector general. In 1996, the FAA planned to install STARS at 172 facilities

beginning in 1998 at a cost of \$940 million. Plans now call for 74 facilities at a cost of \$1.3 billion; the first systems went online this year, four years behind schedule.

Brenner said the agency initially planned to buy commercial hardware and software, but it wasn't reliable enough. The higher costs and delays resulted because the FAA needed to buy custom-made, more reliable equipment, he said.

Even then, the first system, in El Paso, didn't properly display the flights, Inspector General Kenneth Mead said in June. The old system remained in place as a backup because "tower managers stated controllers were not comfortable relying solely on STARS," Mead said.

That same month the FAA invoked a never-before-used clause in its contract with its employees, declaring an emergency and ordering the technicians in Syracuse, N.Y., to certify the system there, which must be done before air traffic controllers can begin using the displays.

Parents warned that risks of pot use is greater than thought

BY EUN-KYUNG KIM

Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON — The nation's drug policy director warned parents Tuesday against trivializing the dangers of marijuana to their kids, warning them that more teens are addicted to pot than to alcohol or to all other illegal drugs combined.

Many parents and children have outdated perceptions about marijuana, said John Walters, director of the Office of National Drug Control Policy. They believe marijuana is not addictive, that it's less dangerous than cigarettes or that it has few long-term health consequences.

In reality, more teens enter rehabilitation centers to treat marijuana addiction than alcohol or all other illegal drugs combined, Walters said.

"Our effort is to correct the ignorance that is the single biggest obstacle to protecting our kids," he said as he announced an advertising campaign by his office and 17 education, public health, anti-drug and family advocacy groups.

The national effort will include advertisements on tel-

evision, radio and print media, along with ones that will air in NFL stadiums and inside game programs.

"For too long our nation's teens have been getting the wrong message about marijuana. Youth popular culture has trivialized the real harm of marijuana in kids," Walters said.

A common misperception is that smoking marijuana is less dangerous than smoking a cigarette, said Surgeon General Richard Carmona. But marijuana contains three to five times more tar and carbon monoxide than a comparable amount of tobacco, he said. It also affects the brain in ways similar to cocaine and heroin.

Carmona said that one out of five eighth-graders has tried marijuana — twice as many who tried it a decade ago.

"Marijuana is not a rite of passage but a dangerous behavior that could have serious health consequences. Parents must realize that what they tell their children about drug use makes a difference," Carmona said.

Dr. Richard Corlin, former president of the American Medical Association, urged parents, teachers, doctors and anyone else working with children to stop sending conflicting signals.

"We must lead by example and not use marijuana ourselves or condone its use by anyone of any age," he said.

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NATIONAL

Government finds deception in weight-loss advertising

BY DAVID HO

Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON — Weight-loss advertising is riddled with false or misleading claims that prey on millions of overweight people seeking help to shed pounds, the Federal Trade Commission reported Tuesday.

The FTC found that 55 percent of weight-loss ads make claims that lack proof or very likely are false.

"There are no fast and easy fixes," Surgeon General Richard Carmona wrote in a preface to the study. "The public must adopt a healthy skepticism about advertising that promises miracles and scientific breakthroughs."

Carmona said companies should use real weight-loss results in their promotions and publishers and broadcasters should screen ads they run to ensure they "are based on science and not on wishful thinking."

About 61 percent of U.S. adults are overweight or obese, the report said, and more than two-thirds of all Americans are trying to lose or keep off weight. Consumers spent about \$35 billion in 2000 on weight-loss products ranging from books and videos to drugs and diet shakes, the report said.

The FTC conducted the study with the Partnership for Healthy Weight Management, a coalition that includes scientists, government agencies and weight-loss companies.

Researchers examined 300 weight-loss advertisements that ran mostly during the first half of 2001. The ads were taken from television, radio, the Internet, newspapers, magazines, e-mail and direct mail.

The FTC also said its efforts against deceptive marketing for weight-loss products have increased.

In April 2000, Enforma Natural Products,

which advertised and sold "The Enforma System," agreed to repay \$10 million to customers to settle FTC charges that they used false claims about scientific testing.

The company promoted its two products — "Fat Trapper" and "Exercise In A Bottle" — primarily with 30-minute infomercials featuring former baseball player Steve Garvey. The company claimed the system could block fat from being absorbed and increase the body's capacity to burn it off.

The new report found that many of the 2001 ads defied scientific facts and were obviously false. Some ads promised substantial and rapid weight-loss without surgery, diet or exercise, while others claimed users of a product could eat as much as they wanted and still lose weight.

"By promoting unrealistic expectations and false hopes, they doom current weight-loss efforts to failure and make future attempts less likely to succeed," said Dr. George Blackburn, a professor of nutrition at Harvard Medical School-Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center.

Blackburn said some weight-loss supplements lack safety warnings and can be dangerous.

Ephedra, a popular herb commonly used for weight loss and bodybuilding, has long been controversial. The FDA has reports of 100 deaths among ephedra users.

The Justice Department said last month that it is conducting a criminal investigation into whether Metabolife International, the nation's leading seller of the supplement, lied about the safety of ephedra.

"To lose weight and not regain it, ongoing changes in thinking, eating and exercise are essential," Blackburn said. He said that when people know more about the realities of weight-loss, "fewer will be inclined to waste their money, time and effort on dangerous fads."

Survey finds growth in Roman Catholic, evangelical faiths

BY RACHEL ZOLL

AP Religion Writer

The Mormon church and evangelical faiths grew during the past decade while more liberal Protestant denominations shrank, according to a new census of U.S. religions conducted by a Roman Catholic research group.

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints grew at the fastest rate, with the Pentecostal denomination Assemblies of God following closely behind, the 2000 Religious Congregations & Membership study found.

The Roman Catholic Church also posted strong growth while its population shifted. More Catholics now live in the West than the traditionally Catholic Midwest, and the Catholic population in the South grew faster than it did in the Northeast.

"That has a lot to do with the growth of the Hispanic population in the United States," said researcher Clifford Grammich, who collected Catholic figures for the study.

The study found the Los Angeles metropolitan area was the most diverse urban center, with 106 different denominations reporting members. Illinois was the most diverse state with 120 different faiths.

The survey is conducted once a decade and was released Tuesday.

The latest version includes Muslims for the first time, finding 1.6 million in the United States. The count was lower by millions than some other surveys, but researchers said the figure was only a tally of those active in mosques, not the total American Muslim population. Estimates of all Muslims vary dramatically from 2 million to 6 million.

The study was conducted by the Glenmary Research Center in Nashville, Tenn., a Catholic research and social service organization that coordinates the study with analysts from several faiths. It's one of just a few religious surveys across denominations.

The 149 participating faiths sent membership estimates to Glenmary, which adjusted the figures to make them comparable. The U.S. Census Bureau does not collect information on religion.

The numbers for each denomination may not be exact, but are close enough to help uncover important trends, said the Rev. Dale Jones, a Church of the Nazarene minister who oversaw the survey.

Jones said one of the most troubling trends was that, in most areas, religious groups failed to increase the percentage of members compared with the total population. This was especially pronounced in the West, where denominations claim the smallest percentage of members.

INTERNATIONAL



Iraqi move seen as effort to rob U.S. of support

BY GEORGE GEDDA

Associated Press Writer

UNITED NATIONS — President Bush said Tuesday the United Nations Security Council “must not be fooled” by Iraq’s questionable promise of unfettered weapons inspections. He told wavering world leaders to maintain pressure on Saddam Hussein to disarm.

“You can’t be fooled again,” the president said as his administration sought to head off attempts by Saddam to rally support at the U.N. Privately, Bush advisers said Saddam may be getting the upper hand in the public relations war.

Noting that Iraq has repeatedly made and broken similar pledges since the Persian Gulf War, Bush said, “You’ve got to understand the nature of the regime we’re dealing with. This is a man who has

delayed, denied, deceived the world. For the sake of liberty and justice for all, the United Nations Security Council must act — must act in a way to hold this regime to account, must not be fooled, must be relevant to keep the peace.”

Bush invited the four top congressional leaders to the White House for a meeting on Wednesday as administration advisers worked on the terms of legislation that would give the president the authority to use “all appropriate means” to force Iraq’s disarmament, an administration official said.

In the Senate, Majority Leader Tom Daschle said, “I think there will be a vote well before the election.” The comments represented a shift in tone for Daschle, D-S.D., who had earlier declined to say definitively whether the vote would take place before or after the mid-term elections.

Bush’s strong words came after Russia — a powerful veto-holding member of the Security Council — said a new resolution is unnecessary now that inspectors were welcomed back.

“I don’t think so,” Russian Ambassador Sergei Lavrov said when asked if there was a need for a new resolution.

The White House sought to take back momentum Bush had built last week when he urged the U.N. to pass a resolution demanding the Saddam disarm and meet several other stiff U.S. demands.

White House press secretary Ari Fleischer said Saddam Hussein is playing “rope-a-dope with the world” with a promise of unfettered weapons inspections.

“We have seen this game before,” Secretary of State Colin Powell said in casting doubt on the sincerity of Saddam’s offer.

To underscore the point, Bush’s office released a four-page timeline that specified “the Iraqi regime’s repeated pattern of accepting inspections ‘without conditions’ and then demanding conditions, often at gunpoint.” The timeline was derived by a 1998 U.N. report, the White House said.

Powell said that a new Security Council resolution would keep the pressure on Baghdad. “Remember, the issue is not inspection, it is disarmament,” he said.

Bush plans to meet on Wednesday morning with Congress’ top four leaders as administration advisers finalized wording of the congressional resolution Bush would like to see passed, giving him authority to use “all appropriate means” to force Iraq’s disarmament, an administration official said.

Bush addressed the issue at a Nashville, Tenn., fund-raiser for Senate candidate Lamar Alexander and again at a local middle school while promoting civics. He warned anew of “a barbaric regime teaming up with a terrorist network, providing weapons of mass destruction to hold the United States and our allies and our friends blackmail.”

“It’s time for them to determine whether they’ll be the United Nations, or the League of Nations. It’s time to determine whether or not they’ll be a force for good and peace, or an ineffective debating society,” he said.

Iraq’s promise to allow weapons inspectors cannot be believed and is not enough

anyhow, Fleischer told reporters aboard Air Force One as Bush made his way to Tennessee for a political appearance.

“If Saddam Hussein’s word had meaning he would have disarmed a long time ago — and this is where the Western world likes to take peoples’ word at face value,” Fleischer said. “History has shown that Saddam Hussein’s word cannot be taken at face value. He has a history of playing rope a dope with the world while all the while developing a more powerful punch.”

House Majority Leader Dick Armey, R-Texas, told reporters that Iraq’s agreement to admit weapons inspectors would only be meaningful if Saddam followed through.

“Saddam having stood up and given lip service, I think, invites us to wait and see,” Armey said. “I think Ronald Reagan said, ‘Trust, but verify,’ — this is a great opportunity to practice that option.”

Powell said the United States would continue to press for a Security Council resolution. “If they (the Iraqis) are serious, they will want one.”

Iraq made its inspection offer Monday night, apparently hopeful that it will generate strong international opposition to the U.S. goal of installing a new regime in Baghdad, by force if necessary.

What the Iraq proposal means in practice remained to be worked out. It is not clear, for example, whether Saddam would allow the United Nations to inspect his palaces for evidence he has or is trying to develop chemical, biological or nuclear weapons.

Saddam’s offer is the latest example of a greater Iraqi diplomatic sophistication of late. He has sought to improve relations with his neighbors while simultaneously wooing three of the Security Council’s permanent members: Russia, China and France.

Bush’s speech last Thursday to the U.N. General Assembly put the spotlight on Saddam’s promises of 12 years ago to disarm — promises the administration says he has consistently ignored, imperiling world peace.

Bush seemed to be making headway, finding a number of countries agreeing with his thesis that Saddam was making a mockery of the Security Council by systematically flouting its resolutions calling for Iraq to certify that its weapons of mass destruction had been destroyed.

Fallen fighters



Amr Nabil/Associated Press

Iraqi soldiers place a coffin among the coffins of 32 other fighters of the Iraqi army, who were among the victims of the Iraq-Iran 1980-88 war, in front of a painting of Iraqi President Saddam Hussein at the Fakka border crossing, 280 miles southeast of Baghdad on Tuesday. Iraq and Iran exchanged the remains of 120 soldiers captured during their war, in a further step towards normalizing relations between the two neighboring countries.

In search of Columbus’s grave, researchers dig up brother

BY DANIEL WOOLLS

Associated Press Writer

MADRID, Spain — Researchers dug up remains thought to be the brother of Christopher Columbus on Tuesday in the first step of a high-tech project to end a dispute over where the explorer himself is buried.

Workers broke ground at a garden beside a Seville-area ceramics factory where the brother, Diego Columbus, is thought to have been buried for the past decade.

The workers pulled out a corroded zinc box about the size of a suitcase, sliced it open with metal cutters and pulled back the top to reveal brown bone fragments, several of which appeared to be ribs.

The project calls for extraction of DNA from the bones and the remains of other Columbus family members. Those results would then be compared to DNA from two sets of remains both purported to be those of Cristobal Colon, as Christopher Columbus is known in Spanish.

One set is buried in an ornate tomb at the cathedral in Seville. The other is in a

monument in Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic.

Matching Diego’s DNA to that of Christopher’s would also help determine if they had the same Genoese mother and father, as traditional theory holds, or just the same father. Another theory says the men shared only their mother and that Christopher was born on the Spanish island of Mallorca, not in Italy, and was the illegitimate son of a Spanish prince.

Tuesday’s disinterment was only a preliminary step, and a final resolution could be months or years away if it comes at all. But lead researcher Marcial Castro was exited nevertheless.

“We now have the first piece of the puzzle,” he said from Seville.

Castro and Sergio Algarrada, high school teachers in the Seville area, have not received permission from church and government officials in either Spain or the Dominican Republic to dig up the alleged remains of Christopher and to allow forensic geneticist Jose Antonio Lorente to extract DNA.

And the remains of Diego are just part

of the solution to the puzzle, and not even the team’s strongest card. One problem is they are not certain the bones at the factory are Diego’s because, like those of his older brother, the remains were moved many times.

Diego Colon died in 1515 and was buried in a chapel on La Cartuja island in the Guadalquivir River that runs through Seville. In the 19th century a ceramics company acquired the island and everything on it, including the chapel and the remains.

When it moved the factory to a town outside Seville in the 1990s, the company took along what was left of Diego Colon. The skull had been missing since the 1950s after it was removed for medical research.

Assuming Castro’s team wins permission to open both graves claimed to hold the remains of Christopher Columbus and DNA can be extracted, the most valuable tool for locating the explorer’s grave will be the remains of Hernando Colon, Columbus’ son through an extramarital affair.

Hernando’s remains are the only authenticated ones of a close relative of Christopher Columbus, Castro says. They

are buried at the cathedral in Seville, along with the bones that Spain says are his father’s.

Columbus died in the Spanish city of Valladolid on May 20, 1506. He had asked to be buried in the Americas, but no church of sufficient stature existed there so he was interred at a monastery in Valladolid.

Three years later, his remains were moved to a monastery on La Cartuja island. In 1537, Maria de Rojas y Toledo, widow of Columbus’ son Diego, was allowed to send the bones of her husband and his father to the cathedral in Santo Domingo for burial. There they lay until 1795, when Spain ceded the island of Hispaniola to France and decided Columbus’ remains should not fall into the hands of foreigners.

So a set of remains that the Spaniards thought were Columbus’ were dug up from behind the main altar in the newly built cathedral and shipped to a cathedral in Havana, where they remained until the Spanish-American War broke out in 1898. Then Spain took them to Seville.



SPORTS

Winning on the road not such a big deal for teams

BY BARRY WILNER

AP Football Writer

Enough already with this home-field advantage stuff, at least early in the NFL season. Road teams are prospering, and it's not a 2002 phenomenon.

Through the first two weeks of the season, road teams are 17-15, including a remarkable 11-5 last weekend. And that record was not built on the dregs of the league — Detroit, Baltimore and Carolina.

The Panthers have won both their home games, albeit against the Ravens and Lions, and Detroit is the only 0-2 team on the road.

Instead, it's the likes of St. Louis, San Francisco, Pittsburgh, Seattle and Baltimore, all at least 6-2 at home in 2001, that already have fallen in their own stadiums.

Last year, road teams were 112-136, a .452 percentage that was the highest since 1987. Many of the away losses came later in the schedule, when weather is far more of a factor; when some teams already are out of the playoff race; and when certain clubs have learned how to use the local environment to their benefit.

Don't discount that final item. In September and October, the wind doesn't generally blow as hard in Soldier Field (or, more appropriately this year, in Champaign, Ill.) There's no tundra in Green Bay because nothing is frozen yet. Good conditions can be an equalizer early

in the season, which is why the Packers have complained in the past when they are not scheduled for enough late-season home games.

Only Miami, which has won 16 straight August-September games, doesn't fall into that pattern.

"Around halftime you know they're starting to feel it," Jason Taylor said of early season visitors to Miami. "You can tell when a guy is soaking wet and the color from his jersey is running into his pants, when his tongue is hanging out and he's barely getting in his stance."

But the Dolphins tend to struggle at home when the heat has little effect, going 8-7, including the playoffs, since 1999 in November-January.

Road teams also can use the togetherness factor. No sport is more reliant on teamwork than football, and any time spent enhancing camaraderie is significant.

"You know why we are comfortable on the road? Because when you go on the road, no one gives you a chance to win, anyway," Denver tight end Shannon Sharpe said. "You can relax. You're at the hotel, and you don't have to worry about tickets or watching the kids or taking the dogs out."

"I'm a firm believer that it's easier to win on the road than at home."

Some coaches would share that view. The Jets were 3-5 at home, 7-1 on the road in 2001, Herman Edwards' first year in charge. They won their road game and

were routed at home this month.

Edwards even had the Jets wear their road white uniforms against New England last weekend, hoping to transfer some of that positive karma to Giants Stadium.

Didn't work.

"We need to establish a home-field advantage," Edwards said. "We need to make it tough on teams coming to our stadium."

Historically, it's been tough on the Jets in the Meadowlands. Since moving there in 1984, they are 68-76-1, including an eight-year string where they didn't have a winning mark at home.

Until the Jets get their own stadium and aren't simply tenants in the Giants' home — unlikely before 2008 — they will own

no home-field advantage.

While the Jets are gracious hosts, several other teams known for being unkind to visitors also are losing their edge. The Redskins are only 23-17-1 since moving into FedEx Field. Powerful St. Louis has lost six of its last 17 home games, including three of the last seven. Tennessee won its first 12 at its new home in Nashville but is 6-7 (including a playoff loss) since.

"It all comes down to believing in yourself," Oakland veteran defensive back Rod Woodson said. "If you believe in yourself, it doesn't matter where you are playing. It could be on the road, in the parking lot, wherever. On the road, there's no outside distractions, just the game."

Tim Montgomery becomes the world's fastest man

BY ROB GLOSTER

AP Sports Writer

Tim Montgomery's feet finally caught up to his mouth.

After years of empty bravado, Montgomery lived up to his own hype by toning down the trash talk and stealing a few secrets from his girlfriend and training partner, Marion Jones.

Montgomery long had predicted his supremacy in the 100 meters, only to get beaten in big races by world record holder Maurice Greene.

But he earned the World's Fastest Man title last Saturday in Paris, where — using Jones' starting blocks and inspired by her example — he broke Greene's 3-year-old record by a hundredth of a second.

"My feet are swollen from striking the ground so hard, my knees are swollen, my joints are swollen," he said in a teleconference Tuesday from Madrid. "I knew I was going to do it, I just didn't know when."

Jones, the world's fastest woman and winner of an unprecedented five track medals at the 2000 Sydney Olympics, had just won her race at the Paris meet.

Montgomery stepped into Jones' blocks, and didn't even bother to adjust them. He had precedent — when Montgomery ran his previous best time, in Oslo last summer, he was wearing Jones' spikes.

The result was a time of 9.78 seconds, and immediate respect from a sport that had watched him lose time after time to Greene — who sat out the Paris race because of exhaustion.

"I think the other athletes are like, 'Is this for real? Tim Montgomery has the world record?' I want more people to see me race so they know it's for real," he said. "Now I just want to show everyone they overlooked someone."

Montgomery broke the record by running nearly a perfect race in virtually perfect conditions. His reaction time to the starting gun was .104 seconds — just four-thousandths of a second from being a false start — and he had a tailwind of 2.0 meters per second, the legal limit.

The 27-year-old Montgomery knows all about world records that don't meet legal standards.

In 1994, while attending Blinn Junior College, he smashed the world junior record with a 9.96 at Odessa, Texas. But the wind gauge was found to be incorrectly sited, and the track was 3.7 centimeters short — about the length of a big toe — so

the record was thrown out.

The native of Gaffney, S.C., always had speed. He took up sprinting after breaking his arm playing football in high school, and immediately started challenging the nation's top runners.

By 1997, he was a bronze medalist in the 100 at the world championships. He failed to qualify for the 100 at the Sydney Olympics, but in the past two years turned into Greene's top challenger.

**"My feet are swollen
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— TIM MONTGOMERY
Fastest man in the world

For the past couple of years, he has preached about surpassing Greene and breaking his record. He questioned an injury that sidelined Greene, and claimed the Olympic champion was ducking him.

But each time they met in a big race, Greene was the winner — at the 2001 world championships, and at the U.S. Championships this summer at Stanford, Calif. Greene was so annoyed that he turned his head to glare at the trailing Montgomery in the final meters of their semifinal heat at Stanford.

Jones told him to stop focusing his energy on Greene.

"He shut me up at trials, so I stopped talking," Montgomery said, "and I started doing."

Montgomery said the biggest change in his career came in 1999 when he began training with Trevor Graham, who also coaches Jones. At Norfolk State, Montgomery trained three times a week and rarely lifted weights. Soon he was working out with Jones, whose work ethic forced him to change.

"I was a rock star and I became a track star. I thought running was so easy," he said. "Having someone in her position come out there in the rain, snow, whatever — that can inspire you."

Montgomery, who has a license plate that reads "9.75," said he's determined to break his own record. And he's got plenty of new trash talk ready for Greene, now dubbed by British newspapers as "Slow-Mo."

Johnny Unitas remembered

BY FOSTER KLUG

Associated Press Writer

BALTIMORE — With the wail of bagpipes filling the cathedral and his coffin covered in white lilies and roses, Johnny Unitas was remembered as "the greatest," a quarterback who made the impossible possible.

Before more than 2,000 relatives, fans and friends, the Hall of Famer was honored Tuesday as a leader who forever changed the NFL and made everyone around him better. Unitas died Wednesday of a heart attack at 69.

Former Baltimore Colts receiver Raymond Berry, Unitas' most frequent target, told the crowd his teammate was a "once-in-a-lifetime quarterback."

"You elevated all of us to unreachable levels, whether we were in the stands or on the field," Berry said.

Berry was joined at the Cathedral of Mary Our Queen by NFL commissioner Paul Tagliabue, Baltimore Ravens coach Brian Billick and players Ray Lewis, Peter Boulware and Michael McCrary. Also attending were former Baltimore Colts teammates Art Donovan and Tom Matte, and Mayor Martin O'Malley.

"He was mythic," Tagliabue said. "He symbolizes football, and, more importantly, he symbolizes leadership."

Outside the cathedral, a small plane flew overhead with a banner that said, "Unitas We Stand" in big red letters. Near the coffin stood a painting of Unitas walking into the distance in his No. 19 blue Colts jersey.

Unitas' six sons were the pallbearers. Chad Unitas choked back tears as they prepared to take the coffin out of the hearse and a bagpiper played "Edelweiss."

"We remember the cheers that rang out from 33rd Street, celebrating a man in black hightop shoes," said Cardinal William Keeler, the archbishop of Baltimore, recalling Unitas' glory days at

Memorial Stadium.

The memorial service and funeral Mass were open to the public. The cathedral, which seats about 2,200, was filled by the time the Mass began. The coffin was closed, and the body will be cremated.

Unitas played for the Colts from 1956-72, and for the San Diego Chargers in 1973. He set 22 NFL passing records, was named MVP of the NFL three times and was selected for the Pro Bowl 10 times. He won three championships, including the overtime victory against the Giants in the 1958 NFL title game.

"You made the impossible possible," Berry said. "Those images of your performances still haven't faded."

Donovan added: "He was the greatest. He should get this kind of respect. He's the guy who put Baltimore on the map."

Outside the cathedral, Ravens president David Modell said Unitas supported the new team when it came to Baltimore from Cleveland before the 1996 season.

"Johnny U. was the father of modern football, so all of us, including my father, who enjoyed participating, owe that to Johnny," Modell said. Modell's father, Art Modell, is the Ravens' owner.

Frank Gitschier, a former coach at the University of Louisville, was the first speaker.

"The world has lost one of its greatest legends and all of you have lost a friend," Gitschier said. He recalled how he met Unitas 52 years ago, when he was recruiting as an assistant coach.

Gitschier said he was told, "This kid is tough as nails and he could really throw the ball." After he promised Unitas' mother that he would go to Mass every Sunday and would graduate, she agreed he could attend Louisville.

"It was no great recruiting coup — we got Johnny U. because no one else wanted him," Gitschier said.

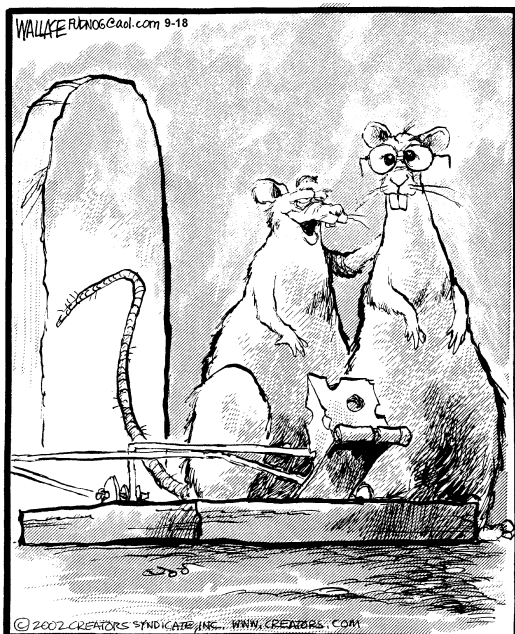
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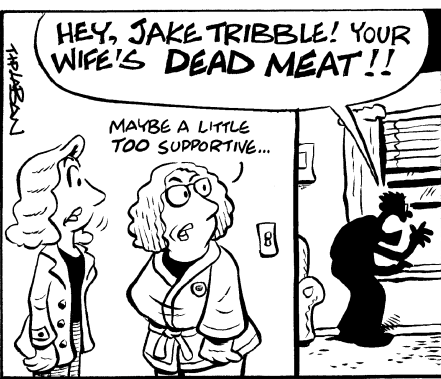
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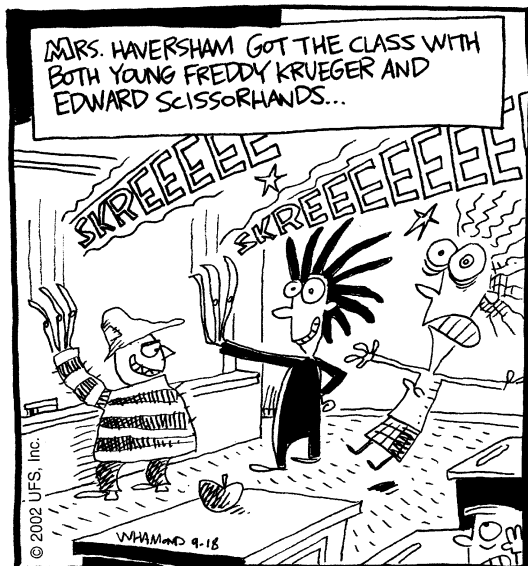
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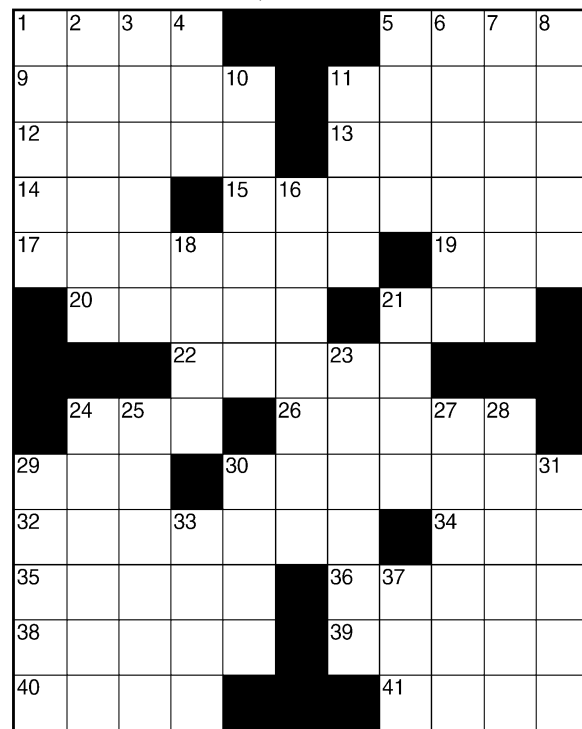
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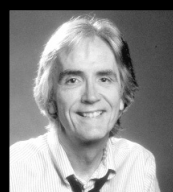
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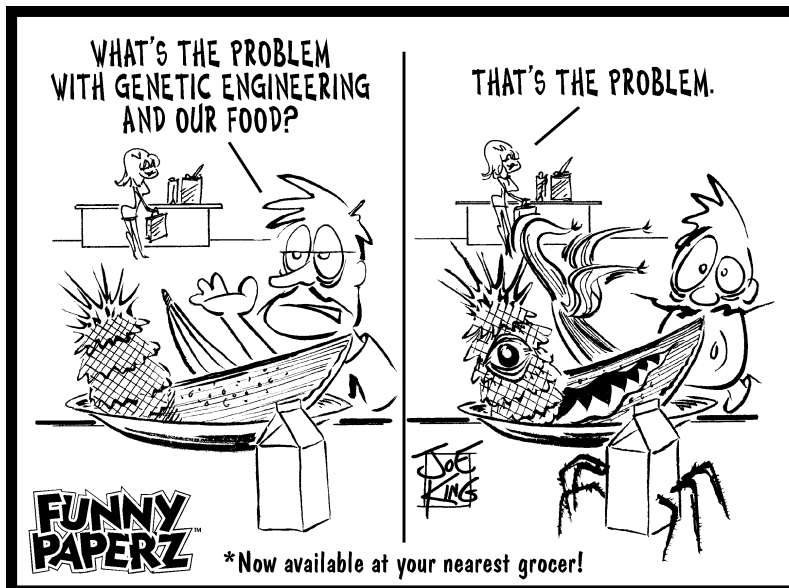


NEWS OF THE WEIRD

by Chuck Shepard

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Wednesday, September 18, 2002

movies

Loews Broadway Cinema
1441 Third St. at Broadway
City by the Sea (R) 12:20, 1:40, 3:00, 4:20, 5:40, 7:00, 8:20, 9:40.
Igby Goes Down (R) 12:00, 1:15, 2:30, 3:45, 5:00, 6:15, 7:30, 8:45, 10:00.

Mann Criterion
1313 Third St.
Spider Man (PG-13) 1:50, 7:15.
Men In Black II (PG-13) 11:30, 4:40, 10:00.
Austin Powers in Goldmember (PG-13) 11:50, 2:20, 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.
Stealing Harvard (PG-13) 11:45, 2:00, 4:30, 7:10, 9:40.

AMC Theatre SM 7
1310 3rd Street
Signs (PG-13) 2:10, 4:40, 7:25, 9:50.
FearDotCom (R) 9:40.
Road to Perdition (R) 1:40, 4:20, 7:05, 9:45.
Barbershop (PG-13) 2:20, 4:50, 7:35, 10:00.
Blue Crush (PG-13) 1:30, 4:00, 7:10.
Spy Kids 2 (PG) 2:05, 4:30, 7:00, 9:25.
Blood Work (R) 4:10, 9:35.
Swimfan (PG-13) 2:00, 5:00, 7:15, 9:30.
Serving Sara (PG-13) 1:50, 7:10.

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

Laemmle Monica
1332 2nd St.
Possession (PG-13) 1:45, 4:25, 7:05, 9:50.
The Good Girl (R) 1:00, 3:15, 5:30, 7:50, 10:10.

Aero Theatre
1328 Montana Ave.
Tadpole (PG-13) 5:00, 7:30, 10:00.

Today

Community

Santa Monica Strutters, 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 Santa Monica Strutters meet Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays, from 8 a.m. to 10 a.m., at Santa Monica Place, Fourth St. and Broadway Ave. in Santa Monica.

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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.

Theater & Arts

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Music & Entertainment

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