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NEWS OF THE WEIRD

BY CHUCK SHEPARD

Trial judge Florentino Floro was fired by the Philippines supreme court in April, and his appeal rejected in August, after investigators found that he had claimed to rely on three mystic dwarves (Armand, Luis and Angel) for psychic powers and the ability to write while in a trance. (Floro protested media accounts of his firing to The Wall Street Journal in July, denying that dwarves helped him decide cases and writing that Armand, Luis and Angel are merely "spirit guides" and that he himself is "gifted" from God "to heal and to prophesy.")

TODAY IN HISTORY

Today is the 272nd day of 2006.
There are 93 days left in the year.

1978 Pope John Paul I was found dead in his Vatican apartment just over a month after becoming head of the Roman Catholic Church.
1789 The U.S. War Department established a regular army with a strength of several hundred men.

QUOTE OF THE DAY

"Any man should be happy who is allowed the patience of his wife, the tolerance of his children and the affection of waiters."

MICHAEL ARLEN
ENGLISH NOVELIST (1895-1956)

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SMSP campaign takes it to the local streets

BY KEVIN HERRERA

Daily Press Staff Writer

THIRD STREET — Looking to place a "progressive" majority on the City Council this November, members of Santa Monicans for Sensible Priorities — a coalition of residents and business owners — said they will lace up their walking shoes this weekend and pound the pavement in search of votes.

Their official campaign kick-off will begin with a march through the city's diverse neighborhoods, at which time

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Campaign crusades

BACKING UP: Local candidates seek to secure support

BY KEVIN HERRERA

Daily Press Staff Writer

CITYWIDE — The campaigns of City Council incumbents Bob Holbrook and Kevin McKeown received a significant boost this week with each earning the endorsements of police and firefighters.

City Council member Pam O'Connor secured the support of the Santa Monica Police Officers Association (SMPOA) while Planning Commissioner Terry

O'Day will be backed by Santa Monica Fire Fighters, Local 1109, heading into election day.

The Chamber of Commerce also made endorsements this week for the Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School Board race and the Santa Monica College board of trustees.

For school board, the chamber is backing incumbents Emily Bloomfield and Shane McCloud, along with Kelly Pye and Barry Snell. For the college board, the chamber elected to endorse just three of the

candidates for an available four seats — former SMC finance director Tom Donner, SMC co-chair Nancy Greenstein and education advocate Louise Jaffe.

There are three seats open on the City Council, and four seats apiece for the school board and SMC board of trustees. The election is Nov. 7.

Last week, the firefighters political election committee held interviews with all 10 City Council candidates.

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A 'Walk' on the beach

Children play at Santa Monica Beach recently atop the art sculpture titled "Walk on LA," which was created by artist Carl Cheng and rests just north of the Pier. The work was commissioned by the City of Santa Monica Percent for Art program with funds from the National Endowment for the Arts and the Santa Monica Arts Foundation.

Fabian Lewkowicz/Daily Press

SM disaster team chases Hurricane Ernesto

BY BILL BAUER

Special to the Daily Press

When Hurricane Ernesto was threatening Florida and the entire East Coast close to a month ago, volunteers based in Santa Monica responded.

Following major events such as hurricanes, earthquakes, fires and floods happen, the American Red Cross puts out a call for disaster volunteers around the country to supplement the services offered by the local chapters who can be quickly

overwhelmed in a cataclysmic event.

The requests for support come from national headquarters through regional Red Cross Service Areas. And, when the requests for Ernesto disaster relief help from the Pacific Service Area hit Red Cross

intra-chapter communications, Santa Monica heeded the call, sending a team that consisted of both disaster relief veterans and volunteers who emerged in the wake of

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Dinner for two, Gemini

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ARIES (March 21-April 19)

★★★★ Your imagination points you in a new direction. Take the risk and do something totally different. You might be taken back by someone you care about. He or she might push you to take a stand, even if you would prefer not to. Tonight: Check in on an elderly friend or relative.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

★★★★ Continue to be forthright with someone you really care about. You often distance yourself from this person, as you are uncomfortable with his or her thinking, attitude and style. This person needs to understand where you are coming from. Tonight: Split town.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

★★★★ A partner changes gears, perhaps stunning you. You might not have all the answers, but you do have many. Loosen up and express your wilder thoughts and ideas. Return a call and schedule some quality time. Tonight: Dinner for two.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

★★★★ Plow through your remaining work, clear your desk and get as much work done as possible. Network in the afternoon. Socialize and enjoy your many companions. Romance could tap you on the shoulder at any given moment. Tonight: Sort through your invitations.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

★★★★ Cut out of work and start your week-end early. Plans revolving around a loved one could change. Not everyone thinks like you. Intensity marks an interpersonal bond. Talking helps you understand this person better. Tonight: Ease up.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

★★★★ Though you might lie low for a good part of the day, this behavior is no reflection on your energy. You see many different approaches to the same end. Listen to another's feedback, especially if it involves your personal well-being. Tonight: Let your hair down. Reveal the wild thing in you.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

★★★★ You have a way of charming others. Before they know it, they are in agreement with your ideas and suggestions. Your laughter is contagious. Right now, your role easily could be "the personality kid." Tonight: Everyone needs some downtime.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

★★★ Curb extravagance. Avoid heavy emotional displays — good or bad. Right now, tune in to your inner needs. Update an old perspective about money and security. Consider updating your budget. Tonight: Cruise on out the door.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

★★★★ The Moon highlights you most of the day. Getting an early start might be important. You could decide to head in a new direction. Why not? You will tend toward extravagance and overindulgence. Tonight: A little self-discipline goes a long way.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

★★★ Clear out quiet work, and you'll get way ahead. Loosen up with those in your immediate circle. Less judgment and more acceptance will allow greater flow in your relationships. A compliment puts a huge smile on your face. Tonight: Anything is possible. What would you like to do?

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

★★★★ Find your friends and take time to listen and find out their news. As a result, you might change your plans. A sudden adventure could happen very easily. You understand a key person in your life. Tonight: Get much-needed rest.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

★★★★ Take a stand. Be willing to accept responsibility for a difficult situation. You might want to move away from this situation but cannot. Think positively about a key relationship. This person supports you in nearly every way. Tonight: Do what you want. Could this involve a friend?

BORN TODAY Actress **Madeleine Kahn** (1942), TV host **Bryant Gumbel** (1948)

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COMMUNITY BRIEFS

Get grillin' for youth programs

By Daily Press staff

Chowing down at Spitfire Grill today just might do more than fill an empty stomach. Spitfire Grill is having a Help Santa Monica Red Cross Youth Day.

The restaurant management will donate 15 percent of the sale of food and beverages to the Santa Monica chapter of the American Red Cross' youth programs.

Diners only need to mention "Red Cross" or present a "Red Cross coupon" and 15 percent of their tab (less tax and tip) will be donated to the Santa Monica Red Cross youth services. Spitfire Grill, located at 3300 Airport Ave., will apply the donations from food and beverages sales served between 11 a.m. and 9 p.m. Go to www.spitfiregrill.net for more information about the restaurant.

For additional information about the American Red Cross of Santa Monica youth activities, call (310) 394-3773 or visit www.redcrossofsantamonica.org.

Going 'Wild' about Mars

By Daily Press staff

Stargazing gets taken to the next level at Santa Monica College's Friday night astronomy series.

The SMC Planetarium presents the first show in the series, called "Wet & Wild Mars" — an intriguing look at the newest discoveries on the Red Planet — as its feature show in October. The show is scheduled for Oct. 6, 13 and 20 as part of the college's astronomy series.

The guest lecture will be "Mars Reconnaissance Orbiter: Initial Science Results." Dr. Richard Zurek of the Jet Propulsion Lab/Mars Reconnaissance Orbiter project will talk about the initial discoveries of the spacecraft, which has a camera so sensitive it could see a beach ball on Mars. The guest lecture will be Friday, Oct. 27.

The feature show and guest lecture are at 8 p.m. Each is preceded by "The Night Sky Show" — which re-creates the night sky and provides the latest information on space exploration — at 7 p.m.

The astronomy shows are held in the John Drescher Planetarium, which features the state-of-the-art Digistar projection system. It is located on the second floor of Drescher Hall, 1900 Pico Blvd. The guest lecture is in Science Lecture Hall 140.

Tickets are \$5 each or \$9 for the "double bill," with discounts for children and senior citizens. For information, call (310) 434-3000.

Literary series has a 'Prayer'

By Daily Press staff

Poetry that addresses the struggle between cultural heritage and the need to belong is the source material for Santa Monica College's latest lecture in its Literary Series.

SMC's fall series continues Thursday, Oct. 12, with poet Amy Uyematsu, who will read from and discuss "Stone Bow Prayer," her most recent collection. She will speak at 11:15 a.m. in SMC's Art Lecture Hall 214, 1900 Pico Blvd.

"Stone Bow Prayer" is a collection that continues to explore her personal journey as a Sansei, a third-generation Japanese American from the grassy plains of China to the coast of Japan to the classrooms and sidewalks of Los Angeles.

Uyematsu was born in 1947 and grew up in Southern California. Her poetry grows out of the conflict between her wish to belong to the culture around her and her strong sense of ethnic identity. Like many Japanese-Americans during World War II, her parents and grandparents were interned. A high school math teacher, she has published two collections besides "Stone Bow Prayer" — "30 Miles from J-Town" and "Nights of Fire, Nights of Rain."

Currently in its fourth year, the SMC literary series has brought to campus such acclaimed authors as Khaled Hosseini, author of the best-selling "The Kite Runner." The series is free and seating is on a first-arrival basis.

The literary series is sponsored by the SMC Associates, a private organization that funds speakers and special programs on campus, and the SMC English Department.

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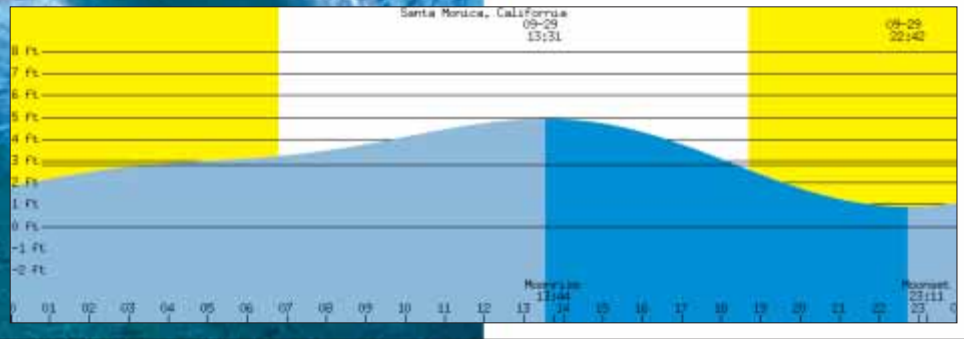


WATER TEMP: 66°

SWELL FORECAST (4-6 FT)
The New Zealand portion of the swell that's been in the water this week will begin to fade--this is from around 200-220 degrees. There's a southerly element from 180 from some Pitcairn activity--this will still hang around.

LONG RANGE SYNOPSIS
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WEATHER AND WINDS SHIFT THIS WEEKEND...

TIDE FORECAST FOR TODAY IN SANTA MONICA



The QLine

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Santa Monicans are about to enter the throes of campaign season. Locally, we've got multi-million bond measures to improve school facilities; a parcel tax increase to clean up the bay; an initiative to make pot smokers the lowest priority for cops and the question of whether the city manager should have the ability to fire top department heads who deserve it.

On the city government front, there are three City Council seats up for grabs, all three of which are occupied by incumbents running. If you haven't heard from all eight of the candidates yet on their campaign platforms, you will.

So this week Q-Line wants to know, "What do you want your elected leader to change in Santa Monica? What policies need to be created? What are the city's issues?"

Call (310) 285-8106 before Friday at 5 p.m. and we'll print your responses in the weekend edition. Please try to limit your comments to a minute or less. It might help to think first about the wording of your response.



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EDITORIAL

Troublesome grades



By all accounts, the city of Santa Monica is a national leader in its efforts to achieve sustainability, having adopted its Sustainable City Plan more than a decade ago and striving to maintain a consistent path toward the goals therein. Other cities' residents should be so fortunate as to have elected officials consistently seeking ways to ensure that an enviable quality of life is not compromised while the city meets necessary environmental, economic and social needs.

Among the criteria that fall under the plan's umbrella include such things as environmental health, human dignity, community education, resource conservation and affordable housing — conditions that would affect not only local residents, but people from across the globe.

It is commendable that city officials would hold its feet to the fire in regards to sustainability, as they did with their second annual "Sustainable City Report Card," the results of which were unveiled by gushing city officials last week. There were plenty of reasons to smile — the report was stacked with As and Bs in subjects such as civic participation, open space land use and community education.

The only problem? The grades were awarded by city staffers. More than 50 indicators ranging from incidents of discrimination, voter participation and market rents, to the number of trees and parks near a particular community, job creation and air quality were employed to calculate the grades.

In essence, however, it was an internal audit, with city staff grading themselves.

That's not to say the city's performance in those respective areas is not deserving of the high marks, but the internal methods utilized to award the grades smacks a bit of self-congratulatory affirmation. It all rings a bit hollow, given the hundreds of thousands of dollars, if not millions, the city spends yearly on outside consultants for everything from garbage hauling to homeless services to information technology.

While the successes and setbacks we've experienced should be measured, those barometers would appear to carry more weight — with admirers both within city limits and on the outside looking in — had they been issued by an independent entity, not the same staff who drew up the plan in the first place.

Then we would truly know where we stand, before we call on others to follow our lead.

So long to Sack

For close to five years, founding editor Carolyn Sackariason has overseen the Santa Monica Daily Press newsroom with an unquestioned commitment to community and a fervor for setting the record straight. Under her stewardship, the daily newspaper



has not only gained a foothold in the city's collective consciousness, but become a trusted news source and informational soundboard.

It was with regret that news broke of her decision to step down as editor of the newspaper she'd helped found, effective next week, not only for an affected newsroom that fully intends to soldier on, but for a community that is losing one of its most active and critical voices.

Ultimately, Sackariason's efforts have served to fan the flames of debate and keep clear the lines of communication amongst us all. She leaves Santa Monica a better place than when she found it, and for that she should be commended, wherever the road may lead her.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Reader wants mentally ill away from children

Editor:

I have been reading about Step Up on Second's plan to acquire the property at 1826 Pearl St. to house and treat young men with mental disorders. I grew up in Sunset Park and know it as a solid family-oriented community. While their goal is commendable, why have they chosen a location directly in the middle of a residential neighborhood surrounded by schools?

John Adams Middle School on Pearl Street has over 1,200 students, ages 11 to 14, and is only two blocks away. Grant Elementary School, also on Pearl Street, with over 650 children, ages 5 to 11 enrolled, is only four blocks away. Will Rogers Elementary School also has over 600 children, ages 5 to 11, and is only five blocks away. These children are constantly moving around the neighborhood, walking to school, playing with friends after school and their proposed project is a risk to their safety, regardless of what they say.

Two questions need to be answered:

(1) Why do they insist on using the Pearl Street location for their project when there are other locations available that would serve their purpose?

(2) Why are eight or 10 mentally-ill patients more important than 2,500 innocent school children?

These children are the most precious possessions of the Sunset Park community, and they owe them an explanation.

Julia Nissley
Santa Monica

Dog days at city parks sorely lacking

Editor:

As a person who loves the outdoors and nature, I am all for creating and improving parks in Santa Monica. However, the scales are tipped very unevenly when it comes to funds to improve dog parks.

Those of us who use dog parks and/or would like to use them are a large percentage of the population. Yet in our existing parks, it continues to be smelly and create hazards for dogs, especially small dogs with the wood chips often creating splinters and other damage. Water fountains are filthy and clogged. Landscaping, lighting and a general overall plan to create a fun and appealing atmosphere (for both humans and canines) are missing.

I am speaking of Jocelyn, Pacific and the dog run at Memorial (where there is no water or shade at all) parks. If any of the other parks were in such disrepair, no one would use them. Yet the dog parks continue to be popular because it is the only place we can exercise our dogs off leash. There are no dog parks at all north of Wilshire.

So, before or while (depending on the budget, I guess) putting hundreds of thousands of dollars into other types of parks, isn't it time to revisit the needs of those of us who have dogs and are in need of nice parks?

Georja Umano Jones
President, Unleash the Beach

Keep commercial projects off Main Street

Editor:

(Editor's note) This is an open letter to Mayor Bob Holbrook and City Council.

On Sept. 12, you discussed possible changes to development standards in certain zoning districts throughout our city. As I understand it, you chose not to heed the Ocean Park Association's plea for changes to the CM3 and CM4 standards. Your decision may have been based in part on the following text from your staff report:

"At the north end of Main Street, near Pico Boulevard, there are more CM3 and CM4 properties. Here too, there is a limited amount of development activity that is anticipated over the next 20 years. The most likely candidate for redevelopment may be the parcel located at the southwest corner of Pico Boulevard and Main Street."

That same day, Sept. 12, notices of a pending demolition permit and a pending development review for a three-story mixed use project were posted for the property at 2001-2011 Main Street, the current site of the Horizons West surf shop, arguably the birthplace of skateboarding. This is not "the parcel located at the southwest corner of Pico Boulevard and Main Street."

It seems your staff report was, at best, disingenuous — surely someone in City Hall was aware this project was in the pipeline?

If entitled and constructed, the project at 2001-2011 Main Street will be large, monolithic and at odds with the community's ambitions for Main Street.

Your own staff report (and here they got it right) notes that the "unique scale and character of development along Main Street is an attribute that the community has stated clearly must be preserved."

I urge you on Sept. 26, when you resume your discussion of changes to development standards, to reconsider the CM3 and CM4 districts.

I also implore you to modify the list of preferred projects in the CM2 district so that it only includes 100 percent affordable projects, historic preservation, supportive housing and child care centers. These are the sort of developments which need to be incentivized through modified standards, not market rate housing or commercial projects, as the economics of development are sufficient to encourage the production of these latter categories.

Ted Winterer
Santa Monica

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Laundry, lunch and a nap?



LAUGHING MATTERS

BY JACK NEWORTH

One night on TV, I saw comedian and actor Larry Miller ("Pretty Woman," "Mighty Wind," "Best in Show") jokingly compare his work ethic with that of his father's. He noted that while he was growing up, his father had three jobs: one 9-to-5, one in the evenings and one on the weekends. Miller said that if he does the laundry and makes lunch in the same day, he's ready for a nap.

Sadly, I can relate.

A few months back, I wrote a column about my friend Joe Geletko, 72, a retired Santa Monica mailman and soon-to-be motion picture star, though right now he's a walk-on. Joe's daily schedule includes surfing, casting calls for commercials and movies, collecting recyclables on the beach and following Notre Dame football. Joe's energy level is so high he ought to have his own infomercial.

Joe told me that he had good news and bad news. The bad news was electrical and plumbing repairs on his house came to \$1,230.20 in just one week! The good news was his residuals from commercials that month came to \$1,230.60. Joe mused he made \$0.40 for the month, but at least he was in the black.

Joe has a friend Ebba Rosenblad, who's 75 years young, and I do mean young. They met on a commercial where they played the parts of fit seniors, which was definitely type-casting. Ebba may have more energy than Joe, if that's possible. She's like Wonder Woman without the cape. Ebba has won 16 gold medals in the Senior Olympics (is that all?) and works out constantly at Muscle Beach, where she's an inspiration to many half her age. But recently, Ebba broke her hip during one of her routines. I knew there was a reason I don't work out.

Like Joe, Ebba is definitely a "glass is half-full" person. She had to have surgery and recuperated at a convalescent facility, but her spirits remained high throughout. With her daughter Phoebe visiting, she looked more like the fitness director than a patient. Her room was filled with cards and flowers from her beach workout friends, a culture of interesting and eclectic people, many of whom are seniors. With rents in Santa Monica continuing to rise, I wonder if in 10 years the city will still have such colorful characters? I hope so.

When I was a kid and came to Santa Monica in the summers, I remember senior citizens on park benches feeding the pigeons. At the stately Georgian Hotel on Ocean Avenue — then a retirement home, now a trendy hotel — I remember seeing a hero of mine, the comic genius Stan Laurel. It was sad to me. He would sit silently in a rocking chair on the porch with a blanket across his lap.

I can tell you one thing, the seniors of that era weren't skateboarding or bodysurfing or climbing on the rings. What's hap-



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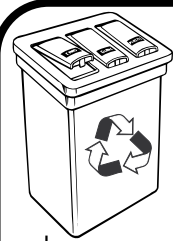
pened? Is it the water? Vitamins? Does living in Santa Monica promote this trend or are these incredibly fit seniors drawn to this area? For me, they are either inspiring or intimidating, depending on how my day is going.

While the weather is still good, on a Sunday afternoon, pry yourself away from football on TV and go down to Muscle Beach, just south of the pier. On the beach are rings and bars, and on the grass area people do gymnastics, hula hoops and juggle. Santa Monicans have been doing this since the '20s. It's evolved into a combination traveling circus-outdoor gym. Be prepared, however. The cornucopia of sights and sounds may have you looking at your pot belly and saying, "I've got to do something!"

As for Ebba, the good news is she's home and on the mend. At 75, she's planning her big comeback. She wants to be ready for the 2007 Senior Olympics. I'll be happy if my sock drawer is straightened out by 2007.

Ebba's also eager to get back into commercials, and even movies. If they ever make "Wonder Woman: The Later Years," Ebba would be perfect. Joe Geletko could play the septuagenarian Batman. If any casting agent or producer is reading this, please take note. I could even write the screenplay. Actually, I already have, but that's another column. For now, I've done the laundry and made lunch, so I'm ready for my nap.

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CRIME WATCH

BY DAILY PRESS STAFF

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On Saturday, Sept. 23, at 8:47 p.m., Santa Monica Police officers responded to the 1400 block of Wilshire Blvd. — Blockbuster Video — regarding a suspect in custody for allegedly stealing DVDs. When officers arrived, they spoke with an employee, who said he saw the suspect enter the store and remove yellow, magnetic security-strips from several DVDs and leave the store without paying for the discs. The employee detained the suspect outside of the store and held him until police arrived. The suspect was taken into custody by the SMPD and booked at the Santa Monica Jail for commercial burglary and a probation violation. He was identified as Mark Anthony Slider, 43, a transient. No bail was set.

On Saturday, Sept. 24, at 2:50 a.m., police responded to the 900 block of Third Street regarding a prowler. When officers arrived, they spoke with a woman who said she was in her bathroom and heard noises outside of the window. When she looked out, she said she saw a man standing by her bathroom window. She immediately called police. When officers arrived, they located the suspect nearby and placed him under arrest for prowling. The suspect was identified as Jason Robert Thompson, 36, of Santa Monica. His bail was set at \$5,000.

On Friday, Sept. 22, at 5:40 p.m., police responded to the 2600 block of Lincoln Boulevard — Albertsons — regarding a theft suspect in custody. When officers arrived, they spoke to a store employee who said the suspect was seen walking through the store removing items from the shelves, opening them and eating them as he browsed. It was estimated the suspect consumed \$24.69 worth of food and candy, police said. When confronted, the suspect had no money in his possession and was arrested for commercial burglary. He was identified as Timothy Claire White, 53, a transient. His bail was set at \$20,000.

On Friday, Sept. 22, at 7:31 p.m., police responded to the 1600 block of Cloverfield Boulevard — Ralphs — regarding a theft suspect in custody. When officers arrived, they spoke with an employee who said that a witness saw the suspect steal a 24-ounce can of beer and place it in his trousers, proceeding to walk out of the store without paying. Once confronted by employees, the suspect began to struggle, police said. After about five minutes of fighting, officers arrived and placed the suspect in custody. He was booked for strong arm robbery and commercial burglary. The can of beer was recovered. The suspect was identified as Preston Wayne Brumfield, 47, a transient. No bail was set because of a probation violation, police said.

On Saturday, Sept. 23, at 11:45 a.m., police responded to the 1300 block of Fourth Street — Washington Mutual — regarding a woman suspected of fraud. When officers arrived, they spoke to a bank employee who said the suspect was attempting to withdraw \$5,000 from an account that had a fraudulent deposit. The bank confirmed the deposit was fraudulent and the suspect was arrested for attempted grand theft. She was identified as Latoyer Shantee Clark, 24, of Los Angeles. Her bail was set at \$20,000.

On Thursday, Sept. 21, at 6:10 a.m., police responded to the 1200 block of Third Street — Adidas — regarding a report of a trespasser. When officers arrived, they arrested a man who was on the property without permission. He was taken into custody and booked for trespassing. He was identified as John Marshal Treseder, 57, a transient. His bail was set at \$1,250. He also had a warrant for his arrest for loitering in a public parking structure, police said.

On Monday, Sept. 18, at 8:31 p.m., police responded to the 1600 block of Ocean Avenue regarding a report of vandalism. When officers arrived, they contacted a witness who said she was sitting in her residence when she heard noises outside her window. She looked out and said she saw two men spray-painting a wall. She notified police and the two suspects were arrested and booked for vandalism. One suspect was a juvenile, 14 years of age, who was released to a guardian. The other suspect was identified as Michael Davenport, 18, of Duarte. His bail was set at \$66,000. He was also detained for violating his probation and for two warrants, police said.

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IF YOU'RE NOT VOTING, THEN WHO ARE YOU ELECTING?

Democrats still tentative about Angelides, polls show

BY JULIET WILLIAMS

Associated Press Writer

SACRAMENTO — Two new polls show Democratic gubernatorial candidate Phil Angelides is still having trouble connecting with members of his own party, a gap he'll have to close quickly if he is to have a chance at unseating Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger in November.

While 82 percent of Republicans back their candidate, Schwarzenegger, just 57 percent of Democrats said they would vote for Angelides, according to a poll from the Public Policy Institute of California. A Field Poll out Wednesday said Angelides had the support of 61 percent of Democrats.

It's a disparity the campaign is working hard to close while publicly maintaining confidence that Democrats will turn out for Angelides.

With Schwarzenegger dominating the airwaves with expensive ads and successful policy deals, it's been hard for Angelides to get his message out, said Barbara O'Connor, director of the Center for the Study of Politics and the Media at California State University, Sacramento.

"It's not a good place to be six weeks out," O'Connor said. "Whether or not he can pick up enough steam to bring home the Democrats is anybody's guess. Most people are saying no, but I don't think the polls necessarily measure what's going on today."

Schwarzenegger had a 17-point lead among likely voters, 48 percent to 31 percent, in the Public Policy Institute's poll. A Field Poll out Wednesday gave Schwarzenegger a 10-point lead with likely voters.

The Public Policy Institute surveyed 2,003 California adults by telephone from Sept. 13-20. It had a sampling error margin of plus or minus 2 percentage points, with a higher margin for subgroups. The Field Poll interviewed 557 likely voters by telephone from Sept. 14-24. It had a sampling error margin of plus or minus 4.3 percentage points.

Both showed at least 15 percent of Democrats are still undecided in the governor's race.

Angelides this week launched a new strategy by injecting the debate over the war in Iraq into the race. He pledged to lobby for the return of California's National Guard troops and rally other governors to do the same if he is elected.

The tactic is widely seen as an effort to secure votes from Democrats, who overwhelmingly disapprove of the war and President Bush's handling of it.

Angelides is trying to secure 80 percent of his party's vote, campaign strategist Bill Carrick said. No California candidate who has met that threshold has lost since Republican Pete Wilson beat Dianne Feinstein in the 1990 governor's race, he said. Feinstein had support of 82 percent of Democratic voters that year, Carrick said.

"Democrats are a pretty diverse crowd, and it just takes them longer to get there, but they get there," he said.

Because Angelides is having trouble inspiring members of his own party, the campaign is forced to spend its time and money trying to woo them. That leaves less for its efforts to win over moderates and independents.

Democrats and independent voters account for about two-thirds of California's electorate.

In the latest PPIC poll, 42 percent of independents said they support Schwarzenegger while 27 percent favored Angelides; 21 percent were undecided.

In addition to the war debate, Angelides' campaign is trying several other strategies in the final weeks of the campaign.

Carrick said it will seek to remind voters of Schwarzenegger's quixotic record — conservative ballot measures last year, deals with Democrats this year. It also will begin airing commercials designed to highlight Angelides' accomplishments and personal history.

The state treasurer also is being helped by the same coalition of unions that helped defeat Schwarzenegger's special election initiatives last year.

The Alliance for a Better California began airing television commercials this week attacking Schwarzenegger. It spent roughly \$4 million on the ad buy, according to the secretary of state's office.

State campaign finance law requires that the commercials be so-called “issue ads” that cannot talk directly about Angelides.

Schwarzenegger campaign adviser Matthew Dowd said the race will tighten as Election Day approaches and that Angelides is likely to increase his support among Democrats. The question, however, is by how much.

“Can he get above 70 or 75 percent?” he said.

Dowd said Angelides needs to get above the 80 percent threshold among Democrats and pick up more support from independent voters.

He questioned the effectiveness of an ad campaign designed to introduce Angelides to voters just six weeks from the election.

"You're kind of late to the game for that," he said.

Brad Johnson, a 28-year-old Democratic Party activist from Monrovia, is hoping Angelides' latest approach focusing on the Iraq war will help the candidate gain momentum. At a union hall rally against the war Tuesday in Burbank, hundreds turned out to hear Angelides speak, he said.

"The place was packed. I've been at lots of events there, and I've never seen that many people there," he said.

But Angelides was in Schwarzenegger's shadow again Wednesday as the governor signed legislation on global warming in San Francisco. He was flanked by some of the state's top Democrats, including Assembly Speaker Fabian Nunez and San Francisco Mayor Gavin Newsom.

Nunez and other legislative Democrats have left Angelides with few avenues of attack after they reached a number of compromises with the governor.

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WHEN: Wednesday, October 4, 2006 at 7:00 p.m.

WHERE: Council Chambers, City Hall
1685 Main Street
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HOW TO COMMENT

The City of Santa Monica encourages public comment. You may comment at the Planning Commission public hearing, or by writing a letter or e-mail. Information received prior to the hearing will be given to the Planning Commission at the meeting.

MORE INFORMATION

If you want additional information about this project or wish to review the project, please contact Jonathan Lait, AICP, Principal Planner (310) 458-8341. The Zoning Ordinance is available at the Planning Counter during business hours or available on the City's web site at www.santa-monica.org. The meeting facility is wheelchair accessible. If you have any disability-related accommodation request, please contact (310) 458-8341, or TTY Number: (310) 458-8696 at least five (5) business days prior to the meeting. Santa Monica "Big Blue" Bus Lines #1, #2, #3, and #8 serve City Hall.

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Logs show some inmates may have been conscious during execution

BY DAVID KRAVETS

AP Legal Affairs Writer

SAN JOSE — Medical logs of past state executions showed that some inmates might have been conscious during the lethal injection procedure because the sedatives were mixed by prison staffers with no medical background, an anesthesiologist testified Wednesday.

Dr. Mark Heath of Columbia University also testified that records from San Quentin State Prison executions show that some of the drugs taken from the prison pharmacy that weren't used went missing.

"For each execution, there's 15 vials missing," Heath said during the second day of court hearings challenging California's lethal injection method. He added, "There were errors in mixing drugs."

The hearing was called by U.S. District Judge Jeremy Fogel amid concerns inmates

may suffer unnecessary pain when being put to death. In February, Fogel put California executions on hold, fearing the sedatives were not knocking the inmate unconscious and thus making it possible for the prisoner to feel extreme pain when a paralyzing agent was delivered.

The challenge was brought by condemned prisoner Michael Morales, convicted of kidnapping, torturing and raping 17-year-old Terri Winchell of Stockton 25 years ago. Morales' attorneys maintain that the paralyzing agent is given solely to make the inmate appear in a serene state to please execution witnesses and prison staff while masking what could be an excruciating death.

Heath, who has testified against lethal injection in five states, mentioned two California inmates who may have been conscious when executed: Robert Massie who was executed in 2001 and Crips co-founder Stanley Williams executed last year.

He said they may have been breathing, and therefore conscious, when the paralyzing drug was given, pushing them into a state of "agony."

California, like most of the 37 states with lethal injection, uses a three-drug cocktail to execute. First a sedative, then a paralyzing agent and final a heart-stopping dose, a process that takes about 12 minutes once the drugs begin flowing.

Heath testified that an anesthesiologist should participate in the execution to make sure the inmate is unconscious. But he added that no execution could be perfect.

"No human endeavor can be performed to humane perfection every time," he said.

Heath said the state's latest plan to continually drip a sedative throughout the procedure won't eliminate the possibility that the inmate will remain conscious.

But he conceded on cross examination that he has never approved of a lethal injection

method he has reviewed. He added that he never attended an execution and said it was unethical for doctors to participate in them.

In February, Fogel believed there was "substantial evidence" in past medical logs to suggest the past six men executed in San Quentin might have been conscious because they were still breathing after the paralyzing agent was given.

Fogel ordered two licensed anesthesiologists to be on hand to ensure Morales was unconscious. Or, he said, the prison could use just a sedative, but it would have to be injected by a licensed practitioner such as a doctor, nurse, dentist, paramedic or other medical technician.

Licensed personnel declined to participate amid a furor by medical trade organizations denouncing their members' participation in execution.

Testimony was scheduled to resume Thursday.

The case is Morales v. Tilton, 06-219.



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Calif. Gov. signs global warming initiative

BY SAMANTHA YOUNG

Associated Press Writer

SAN FRANCISCO — California Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger on Wednesday signed into law a sweeping global warming initiative that imposes the nation's first cap on greenhouse gas emissions, saying the effort kicks off "a bold new era of environmental protection."

Standing on picturesque Treasure Island with San Francisco's skyline in the background, Schwarzenegger called the fight against global warming one of the most important issues of modern times.

"We simply must do everything we can in our power to slow down global warming before it is too late," Schwarzenegger said during an address before signing the bill.

Mayor Gavin Newsom and New York Gov. George Pataki, as well as Democratic legislators, joined Schwarzenegger for the high-profile ceremony. British Prime Minister Tony Blair, who struck a deal with Schwarzenegger over the summer to develop clean technologies, addressed the ceremony participants via video link.

Blair said California had set a "bold target" and called the bill-signing "a proud day for political leadership."

"This will echo right round the rest of the world," he said.

California's efforts on global warming have been in the spotlight since Schwarzenegger and the state's legislative Democrats reached an accord last month on the Democrat-authored bill to cut greenhouse gases.

The negotiations culminated in the last week of the legislative session, handing the Republican governor a key victory during an election year in which he has sought to portray himself as a friend to the environment.

On Wednesday, Schwarzenegger called the bill signing a historic occasion.

"It will begin a bold new era of environmental protection in California that will change the course of history," he said.

Schwarzenegger and Democratic lawmakers said they expected others to follow California's lead.

"Today, we tell the rest of the world, other states and our nation that California has the courage, the know-how to turn this tide and the ability to move forward to putting an end to this creeping disaster we know as global warming," said Assembly Speaker Fabian Nunez, D-Los Angeles.

Nunez wrote the bill with Democratic Assemblywoman Fran Pavley of Agoura Hills.

Schwarzenegger's Democratic opponent in the November election, state treasurer Phil Angelides, also supports the new law.

It imposes a first-in-the-nation emissions cap on utilities, refineries and manufacturing plants in a bid to curb the gases that scientists blame for warming the Earth. Two years ago, a state board adopted tight regulations on automobile tailpipe emissions, an initiative that is being challenged in federal court by automakers.

State reports have predicted the effects of global warming could be severe for the state, leading to earlier melting of the Sierra snowpack and threats to the state's water supply. It also could lead to changes in the growing season in the nation's No. 1 agricultural producer, even jeopardizing the Napa Valley wine industry.

Tom Graff, California regional director of

Environmental Defense, urged the federal government to follow with a national cap on carbon emissions.

"Together we have moved from a message of despair to one of hope and action," Graff said. "We are still at the beginning of a long journey to restrain and manage the warming of our globe, and there is still much more work to be done."

Also this week, Schwarzenegger is expected to sign a second Democrat-sponsored global warming bill with consequences beyond the state's borders. That bill will prohibit California's large utilities and corporations from entering long-term power contracts with suppliers whose electricity sources do not meet the state's greenhouse gas emission standards.

The measure by Sen. President Pro Tem Don Perata, D-Oakland, is intended to force coal plants in the western U.S. to install cleaner technologies.

California's efforts to cut greenhouse gas emissions from industry and automobiles are part of a goal to reduce the state's emissions to 1990 levels by 2020, an estimated 25 percent reduction. California is the world's 12th largest producer of greenhouse gases such as carbon dioxide, methane and nitrous oxide that are trapping heat in the Earth's atmosphere.

Schwarzenegger issued an executive order in 2005 calling for an even more ambitious reduction — cutting the levels of greenhouse gases to 80 percent below 1990 levels by 2050.

In an interview Tuesday with The Associated Press, Schwarzenegger described the emissions-cap bill as one step in a long-term strategy by the nation's most populous state to combat global climate change. He said the state should further reduce industrial emissions and adopt initiatives such as placing greater emphasis on renewable energy and hydrogen-fueled cars.

The industrial emissions cap has been praised by environmentalists as a step toward fighting global climate change, but business leaders have warned that it will increase their costs and force them to scale back their California operations.

Industry officials say California lawmakers must ease other regulatory burdens to counter the higher costs they face with the tighter emissions standards.

An example could be eliminating the sales tax levied on new equipment, said Dorothy Rothrock, vice president of government relations for the California Manufacturers and Technology Association.

"If we do continue to discourage California manufacturing, emissions will happen elsewhere without regulation, and we will not have achieved our goal of reducing emissions," she said.

Association President Jack Stewart said the group does not plan to sue California to stop the regulations as automakers have done with the rules regarding tailpipe emissions.

Schwarzenegger said it is possible to protect the environment as well as the state's economy. He expects the law will lead to a new business sector in California devoted to developing the technologies industries can use to meet the tougher emission requirements.



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Polygamy not endorsed

Mormons can't shake perceptions of their former plural marriage practice

BY JENNIFER DOBNER
Associated Press Writer

SALT LAKE CITY — Wilford Woodruff dropped to his knees in prayer. It was September 1890 and the federal government was threatening to seize church property and prosecute Mormons unless they stopped plural marriage.

Woodruff, a polygamist and president of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, had a revelation and declared a manifesto: The faithful were to obey federal law and cease the practice.

It was read at the church's fall conference and approved unanimously. The vote, Woodruff noted in his diary, "created a sensation throughout the whole United States."

No manifestos are on the agenda this weekend — it's unlikely polygamy will even be mentioned — when 100,000 Mormons gather for their twice-a-year General

Conference in Salt Lake City. Millions more worldwide will watch broadcasts in 85 languages.

But polygamy continues to make headlines, and the church can't seem to shake perceptions that it endorses the practice, no matter what happened 116 years ago.

Since 2001, several self-described Mormon fundamentalists have been charged with crimes tied to polygamy.

The latest and most prominent is Warren Jeffs, the leader of the Fundamentalist Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, who is jailed in southern Utah on charges of being an accomplice to rape by arranging the marriage of a minor to an older man.

"Almost 10 years ago or so, literally, it was not a big deal," said Jan Shipps, professor emeritus of history and religious studies at Indiana University-Purdue University, who has written about Mormons.

"Now it has suddenly emerged into the

public domain and (the church) has to find a way to talk about it again," she said.

The issue is "really aggravating" to the church, said D. Michael Quinn, former history professor at church-owned Brigham Young University.

"The fact remains that these people who have extra wives call themselves Mormon. They believe in the Book of Mormon," he said. "So it's inevitable that this linkage is going to be there."

The roughly 10,000 members of Jeffs' sect, who mostly live along the Utah-Arizona border, are among an estimated 37,000 fundamentalists in western states who believe plural marriage is essential for their exaltation in heaven. Jeffs is said to have 40-plus wives.

Many fundamentalists claim Mormon church founder Joseph Smith as their original prophet and use the Book of Mormon as the cornerstone of their faith.

Mormon officials, however, say even a few shared traits don't put the fundamentalists in the same category as members of the Salt Lake City-based church. "Warren Jeffs is Not a Mormon," the church's Web site declares.

"Catholics, Protestants, Methodists, Jehovah Witnesses, Lutherans, evangelicals and a host of other faiths believe in Jesus and claim the Bible as their own, yet all consider themselves separate and distinct faiths," said Kim Farah, a Mormon church spokeswoman.

"The same is true for all religious groups who believe in Joseph Smith and use The Book of Mormon," Farah said.

Church President Gordon B. Hinckley rejects the idea that "Mormon fundamentalists" can even exist.

Retired BYU history professor Thomas Alexander, a Woodruff biographer, said there's nothing Mormons can do about how others identify themselves.

"The only thing we can try to do is differentiate ourselves, and that's extremely difficult to do," he said.

It's difficult because polygamy didn't quickly end with Woodruff's manifesto in 1890, scholars say.

In fact, the practice continued secretly among some Mormons into the 20th century. When exposed in 1904, the manifesto was restated and the church began excommunicating members who violated it.

Nonetheless, polygamy has not been removed from the church's Doctrine and Covenants, which describe Mormonism's bedrock tenets.

Mormons believe in continuing revelations, meaning church doctrine can change. Woodruff's manifesto, Farah notes, came long after original doctrine was written.

"Asking why the church does not still believe in polygamy because it appears in its scriptures is like asking Christians to explain why they discontinued stoning people for adultery," the church spokeswoman said.

"It appears in the Scriptures but has been superseded by later revelation," Farah said.

B. Carmon Hardy, history professor at Cal State Fullerton, believes church leaders have done a remarkable job of keeping the public discourse at a minimum. He notes that for decades the issue was hardly discussed and it's rarely mentioned in official church publications.

"In sermons and Sunday school lesson, it's absent," he said. "It's conspicuous by its absence and for the large majority of church members, I think polygamy is a largely forgotten chapter."

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The owner of a downtown jewelry store is suing his insurance company after the firm accused him of staging a robbery and refused to reimburse him for the merchandise he claimed went missing.

Harry Yildiz, 67, was alone in his shop on Dec. 29, 2004, when a man in a raincoat with a gun hidden beneath his umbrella burst in, tied him up and made off with \$1.1 million in diamonds and jewels, his lawyer Marc Brumer told a jury this week.

But attorneys for Lloyd's of London said Yildiz staged the robbery and suggested that he may have dispatched his son to Aruba to sell off the jewels cheaply.

The diamond seller's version of events is simply "not logical," lawyer Andre Cronthall said.

Brumer portrayed the case as a "classic David vs. Goliath" and suggested that the detective who investigated the robbery concluded with the insurance company.

LOS ANGELES

Builder over budget?

Public works officials granted a contract for the city's new police headquarters to the only builder offering a bid, despite complaints that its proposal was far above budget.

The Public Works Board agreed Wednesday to pay builder Tutor-Saliba \$231.3 million for the 11-story project that planners originally estimated at \$200 million.

Officials also lamented that Tutor-Saliba was using only about 3.48 percent minority subcontractors and no women subcontractors.

"At a project this size, it's just kind of mind-boggling to me that we have no women businesses participating at all and very low participation by the minority businesses," board Chairwoman Cynthia Ruiz said.

Tutor-Saliba Senior Vice President Jack Frost told board members his firm tried to get a more diverse mix of subcontractors involved. He said he suspects the minority and female-owned subcontractors were busy with other projects.

COSTA MESA

City pays for dog's death

The city agreed to pay \$225,000 to settle a lawsuit alleging police wrongly shot a family's pit bull 15 times, killing it, officials said.

Two officers were issuing two boys citations on May 13, 2004, for riding their bikes without helmets when the youngsters ran into their back yard, police said.

The officers chased them and were confronted by the dog, police said.

Harold Potter, the assistant city attorney who negotiated the settlement, said the dog was poised to attack and that police were in the right when they killed him.

But dog owner Mary-Jo Mansfield and her sons sued in federal court, claiming the officers wrongfully denied them the use of their property.

"There has absolutely been no determination of police misconduct," Potter said. He said other factors led to the city's payout. "For one thing, juries like dogs more than people."

LOS ANGELES

The luggage stays put

The owner of a Hollywood Boulevard luggage store won his fight with the city over its attempted use of eminent domain to clear the site for redevelopment.

The planned \$500 million Hollywood and Vine residential and retail development project will be built around the Bernard Luggage building that went up in 1928, city and Community Redevelopment Agency leaders announced Wednesday.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
BEFORE THE CITY OF SANTA MONICA LANDMARKS COMMISSION

SUBJECT: Public hearings will be held by the Landmarks Commission on the following applications:

320 Santa Monica Pier, Zoning: RVC (Residential-Visitor Commercial District), LC-04CA-009. The City Landmarks Commission will be conducting a public hearing to consider Certificate of Appropriateness Application No. LC-04CA-009, to approve installation of a new public rest-room building, a new ice cream kiosk, and the creation of two vendor cart storage areas in and adjacent to the existing Pier Maintenance/Police Substation building on the Santa Monica Pier. The Landmarks Commission will determine whether the proposed project is appropriate and architecturally compatible for the Santa Monica Pier, a designated City Landmark. **Applicant: City of Santa Monica Resource Management Department. Owner: City of Santa Monica.**

380 Santa Monica Pier, Zoning: RVC (Residential-Visitor Commercial District), LC-06CA-014. The City Landmarks Commission will be conducting a public hearing to consider Certificate of Appropriateness Application 06CA-014, 380 Santa Monica Pier, for proposed addition of design elements and lighting on the north entrance of Pacific Park located on the City Landmark-designated Santa Monica Pier. **Applicant: Santa Monica Amusements LLC/Pacific Park. Owner: City of Santa Monica.**

415 Palisades Beach Road (Pacific Coast Highway), Zoning: RVC (Residential-Visitor Commercial) District & Beach Overlay District, LC-06CA-016. The City Landmarks Commission will be conducting a public hearing to consider Certificate of Appropriateness 06CA-016 for the approval of landscape plans and final selection of materials and colors associated with the previously-approved design for the rehabilitation and adaptive reuse of the former Marion Davies Estate at 415 Pacific Coast Highway as a public, beach-oriented recreation facility. The Landmarks Commission will determine whether the proposed landscaping plans, and final selection of materials and colors for the project is appropriate and architecturally compatible for this City Landmark designated property. **Applicant: City of Santa Monica. Owner: California State Department of Parks and Recreation.**

423-431 Ocean Avenue, Zoning: R4 (High Density Multiple Family Residential) District, LC-06LM-003. The City Landmarks Commission will be conducting a public hearing to consider Landmark Designation Application 06LM-003 at 423-431 Ocean Avenue to determine whether the multi-family residential structures constructed in 1936 and 1950 should be designated as a City Landmark. The Landmarks Commission will make a decision regarding designation based on whether the application, research and public testimony presented show that the structures meets one or more of the required criteria for landmark designation. (Continued from September 11, 2006) **Applicant: Anthony Carr. Owner: SM Ocean Star, LLC.**

When: Monday, October 9, 2006 at 7:00 pm

Where: City Council Chambers, City Hall, Room 213
1685 Main Street, Santa Monica

Questions/Comments
The City of Santa Monica encourages public comment on this and other projects. You or your representative, or any other persons may comment on the application at the Public Hearing, or by writing a letter addressed to Roxanne Tanemori, Associate Planner, City Planning Division, 1685 Main Street, Room 212, Santa Monica, California, 90401-3295. Or, you may contact Ms. Tanemori by phone at (310) 458-8341 or by email at roxanne.tanemori@smgov.net.

More Information
The meeting facility is wheelchair accessible. If you have any disability-related accommodation requests, please contact (310) 458-8341 or TTY (310) 458-8696 at least three days prior to the event. All written materials are available in alternate format upon request. Santa Monica Bus Lines 1, 2, 3 and 7 serve City Hall. Pursuant to California Government Code Section 65009(b), if this matter is subsequently challenged in Court, the Challenge may be limited only to those issues raised at the Public Hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the City of Santa Monica at, or prior to, the Public Hearing.

Espanol
Este es un aviso de una audiencia publica para considerar la designación de una propiedad en la ciudad como un monumento histórico. Para mas información, favor de llamar a Carmen Gutierrez en la División de Planificación al número (310) 458-8341.



Experimental diabetes treatment produces mixed results

BY ALICIA CHANG
AP Science Writer

A few diabetics have been able to give up their daily insulin shots after getting transplants of pancreas cells, according to the broadest study of this experimental treatment. But for most patients, the results fell short of the cure researchers have been seeking.

Nearly half of the 36 patients who received the cell transplant achieved insulin independence by one year after the treatment. The benefits were mixed for the others, and about three-quarters of the whole group relapsed and needed insulin injections again.

The patients had severe cases of Type 1 diabetes, the less common form once known as juvenile diabetes, which is not linked to obesity.

Experts said the treatment, involving pancreas cells from donated cadavers, holds promise and they believe it won't be

long before doctors figure out how to extend the benefit to more diabetics. Researchers, reporting their findings in Thursday's New England Journal of Medicine, said they did not know why it worked in some people and not others.

"For a select few, this represents a major alternative in their quality of life," said Dr. Robert Goldstein, chief scientific officer for the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation International.

The only way for diabetics to receive a pancreas cell transplant is to enroll in an experiment. The treatment is not yet available at U.S. hospitals.

About 5 percent to 10 percent of the world's 170 million diabetics have Type 1. The condition occurs when the pancreatic cells that make insulin, a hormone, are destroyed and can no longer produce it. The other form of diabetes, Type 2, is linked to obesity and occurs when the body can't properly use the insulin it makes.

Type 1 diabetics need regular insulin shots to survive.

Insulin is required to convert sugar from food into energy. Although some patients have pancreas transplants, the procedure is often risky.

For years, doctors tried to perfect a less-invasive technique that involves transplanting pancreas cells from cadavers into patients. The procedure proved disappointing until 2000 when a group of Canadian researchers led by Dr. James Shapiro of the University of Alberta published a landmark study in the New England Journal that detailed a more efficient way to transplant cells into eight diabetics.

The latest study by Shapiro, which was partly funded by the U.S. government, is the first international and most extensive study of the treatment to date. It involved 36 Type 1 diabetics at nine hospitals in North America and Europe.

The patients suffered from a complication that prevents them from recognizing when they have low blood sugar. If untreated, the condition can cause loss of consciousness, a coma or even death.

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Mailers, phone calls and aggressive action

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members will distribute glossy leaflets explaining SMSP, how it is funded and what it stands for. The hand-outs will also include the results of a survey on City Hall's homeless efforts that 5,000 residents and businesses completed this summer, SMSP representatives said.

Throughout the course of the campaign, voters can also expect to receive multiple mailers and phone calls from volunteers as SMSP looks to run an "aggressive campaign" in support of council candidates Bob Holbrook and Terry O'Day, said Seth Jacobson, a spokesman for the organization, which is funded by contributions from residents and the hospitality industry.

Holbrook, a pharmacist running for his

fourth term, and O'Day, an environmentalist and planning commissioner making his first run for the council, both received at least 60 percent of the vote of SMSP members. Other council hopefuls came close, but a consensus could not be reached on a third and final candidate, Jacobson said.

By supporting Holbrook and O'Day, SMSP is looking to challenge the dominance of Santa Monicans for Renters Rights, or SMRR, whose members have held a majority on the City Council for much of the last 28 years. Holbrook has often been the target of SMRR mailers in past elections, while O'Day decided against seeking the SMRR endorsement. Both have been endorsed by the Santa Monica Chamber of Commerce, which is often at odds with SMRR.

Council members Pam O'Connor and

Kevin McKeown are running for re-election. They have been endorsed by SMRR.

"The status quo has made Santa Monica a very desirable and livable city ... but those of us who live here would like to see other issues addressed than the same old, same old by the ruling junta, SMRR, that has been driving politics here for over two decades," said Bob Hattoy, a member of SMSP who has worked in the White House for President Bill Clinton, and was involved in Vice President Al Gore's unsuccessful presidential bid in 2000.

"SMRR has done good things, but they haven't thought outside of the SMRR box and it's time to do that," said Hattoy, a Santa Monica resident. "Things have become stagnant, and the thousands of people responding to our survey and the dozens and dozens of people who speak to me regularly are asking me how we can jump-start change. Well, we have to break the mold and try a new progressive majority."

SMRR members have challenged SMSP's credibility as a grassroots organization, given its ties to the hospitality industry.

Denny Zane, a co-founder of SMRR, has called SMSP "Astroturf," meaning fake grassroots.

To many observers, SMSP isn't helping it's cause. So far the coalition has not held a public forum for its members and is still undecided if it will do so.

In addition, last week SMSP created a political action committee, or PAC, with the name "Santa Monicans for Sensible Priorities PAC — Major Funding by Hospitality Providers and Edward Thomas Management Company." Thomas Management operates Shutters on the Beach, a luxury hotel and restaurant in Santa Monica.

Hattoy said the PAC was named as such to prove there is nothing to hide, nor nothing to be ashamed of.

The hospitality industry was vigorously attacked by labor unions during a campaign in 2002 to overturn a living wage ordinance passed by the council which required businesses with annual gross revenues of \$5 million or more in the city's coastal and downtown tourism areas to pay workers at least \$10.50 an hour beginning in July 2002. The campaign against the ordinance spent close to \$2 million to defeat it.

"I don't see restaurants and hotels as evil," Hattoy said. "These are people who have invested a lot of money into this city, so why shouldn't they be allowed to have a say on what goes on? ... Yes, they're contributing a considerable amount of money to the PAC, but I don't find their money dirty."

Jacobson said local campaign finance laws restricting individual contributions to candidates — the limit is \$250 per person — makes it virtually impossible for any incum-

bent to lose unless they are challenged by an independently wealthy opponent or a PAC funded by those who can afford to lose money.

"It really is the responsibility of those who have the money and who have issues with the city to see something is done," Jacobson said. "There is nothing wrong with businesses like restaurants and hotels or retail establishments participating in the political process."

To prove that they are indeed grassroots, members of SMSP hand delivered to the council more than 5,000 surveys from businesses and residents. SMSP used the responses from those surveys, as well as a recent poll commissioned by the coalition, to formulate a platform. Three key areas SMSP is focusing on are homelessness, crime and traffic, Jacobson said.

"We really need something to be done about the homeless situation and not just sit around and talk about it or hire another \$200,000-a-year staff person," Jacobson said, referring to homeless czar Ed Edelman, who was hired by the council last year. "With the public feedings (of the homeless), the council has been able to move two of the groups indoors, but that is unacceptable. They all should be gone by now. They should be removed from the parks and off the lawn at City Hall."

Jacobson said SMSP will also fight for the reallocation of resources to fund more police officers so they can aggressively enforce laws against sleeping in doorways and camping at local parks.

"We support the family reunification program and the housing first model, but we need more resources to go to these programs instead of just treating these people and then releasing them," Jacobson said. "The business community needs to be more involved in solving the problem. I bet if you asked some of the property owners around here, they would be more than happy to find places to house these people."

In the area of crime, SMSP would like to see a new police chief hired who will continue the legacy of James T. Butts, who resigned in August to head up the police force for Los Angeles World Airports. That legacy includes community policing and creating a department that is sensitive to the needs of residents and one that is ethnically and culturally diverse, Jacobson said.

Butts has endorsed O'Day's campaign.

As for traffic, SMSP will push for the renovation of downtown parking structures, the development of a new downtown traffic management plan and more funding for public transportation.

"I think people are really looking for change and I believe we can help them attain it," Hattoy said. "Instead of just remaining with the same old policies and the same old politicians, we need a breath of fresh air."

NOTICE OF COMPLETION & PUBLIC NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF A DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT (DEIR), ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT (EA) & SECTION 4(f) EVALUATION ON THE SANTA MONICA PIER ACCESS IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

OFFICIAL NOTICE is hereby given on the completion and availability of a Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR), Environmental Assessment (EA) and Section 4(f) Evaluation on the following project:

PROJECT LOCATION: SANTA MONICA PIER, SANTA MONICA, CALIFORNIA 90401

DESCRIPTION OF PROJECT: The Draft EIR /EA analyzes five (5) different alternatives and a No Project alternative for improving both pedestrian and vehicle access to the Santa Monica Pier. Each alternative includes seismic strengthening of the Pier. The alternatives are as follows:

Locally Preferred Project: Parallel Vehicular Ramp with ADA Accessible Sidewalk: The Pier would be reinforced and widened to include 8 foot sidewalks on both sides of the Pier Bridge with the north side sidewalk being ADA compliant. The Pier Sign would be relocated 5.5 feet to the north but not structurally altered. A one-way vehicular ramp would be constructed at the northern side of the Pier Bridge to feed traffic to the existing City parking lot at 1550 PCH.

Parallel Vehicular Ramp and South Bridge Sidewalk: The Pier would be reinforced and widened to provide a 16 foot wide sidewalk on the south side of the Pier Bridge only. A one-way vehicular ramp would be constructed at the northern side of the Pier Bridge to feed traffic to the existing City parking lot at 1550 PCH. The total width of the Pier would be increased by 11 feet on the north side and the Pier Sign would be relocated 13.5 feet to the north to span the roadway, but not be structurally altered.

Ramp Through the Pier Deck: This alternative would construct a vehicle access ramp through the Pier Deck to a bay underneath the Pier that feeds into the parking lot at 1550 PCH. The Pier Bridge would be reinforced and widened to include 8 foot wide sidewalks on either side. The Pier Sign would be relocated 5.5 feet to the north but not structurally altered.

Pier Bridge Widening with North and South Bridge Sidewalks: This alternative would reinforce and widen the pier by 11 feet on the north side and provides 8 foot sidewalks on both sides of the bridge. There would be no construction of a ramp. The Pier Sign would be relocated 5.5 feet to the north but not structurally altered.

Pedestrian-Only Bridge with Service/Emergency Vehicle Access Only and Replacement Parking: This alternative would reinforce and convert the bridge to primarily a pedestrian-only bridge that would allow service and emergency vehicles only. This would result in the loss of 283 parking spaces located on the Pier. This document analyzes the construction of replacement parking nearby. The Pier Bridge would not be widened; therefore, the Pier Sign would not be re-located.

The Draft Environmental Impact Report /Environmental Assessment and Section 4(f) Evaluation on this project is available for your review and comment. This document examines impacts of the proposed project on the City's environment including the historic Pier Sign. Environmental effects of one or more of these options may include: Aesthetics, Biological Resources, Historic Resources, Noise (during construction), and Vehicle Circulation. Impact areas analyzed in the Environmental Impact Report are: Aesthetics, Air Quality, Archaeological Resources, Biological Resources, Hazardous Materials, Historic Resources, Noise, Access, Pedestrian Circulation and Parking, Land Use.

HOW TO COMMENT ON THE DRAFT EIR/EA: The City of Santa Monica encourages public comment on this and other projects. A copy of the document is available for your review in the following locations:

City Planning Counter, Room 111, 1685 Main Street, Santa Monica, CA 90401
City Clerk, Room 102, 1685 Main Street, Santa Monica, CA 90401
Santa Monica Public Library 601 Santa Monica Blvd., Santa Monica, CA 90401
Ocean Park Branch Library, 2601 Main Street, Santa Monica, CA 90405

If you have comments about the DEIR, you should forward them to Sarah Lejeune, AICP, Senior Planner, so that they can be considered.

COMMENT PERIOD: Monday August 7, 2006 through October 16, 2006
(extended from September 20)

DUE DATE FOR COMMENTS: Monday, October 16, 2006, (5:00 p.m.)

WHERE TO SEND COMMENTS: City Planning Division, 1685 Main Street, Room 212, Santa Monica, CA 90401-3295; Attention: Sarah Lejeune, AICP, Senior Planner. Telephone: (310) 458-8341. e-mail: sarah.lejeune@SMGOV.net

MORE INFORMATION: Following the completion of the Final EIR, additional notice will be given upon scheduling a Public Hearing before the City Council to certify the EIR, review the project options and select an option for final design and construction.



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Support comes after interviews and meetings

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Each were given 20 minutes to talk about their qualifications and to answer questions relevant to issues that affect firefighters and their ability to perform their duties, said Brad Lomas, president of the union.

"We felt that Kevin McKeown and Bob Holbrook are the strongest incumbents who have given us unwavering support in the past," Lomas said. "They have always been there for us ... and what impressed us the most about Terry O'Day is his well-rounded reputation on the Planning Commission as a consensus builder. He'll be an excellent City

Council member."

The SMPOA followed a similar format, hosting a series of interviews and meetings with the candidates, said Jay Trisler, chairman of the association.

"Track records show that Mayor Bob Holbrook, Kevin McKeown and Pam O'Connor will continue to give the police department the tools it needs to deal with terrorism, gang violence, substance abuse and overall crime and quality-of-life issues," Trisler said. "These candidates have shown that they have the experience needed to deal with the wide variety of issues facing our community."

Holbrook, McKeown and O'Connor have

also been endorsed by the Santa Monica Municipal Employees Association.

Meanwhile, chamber chairman John Bohn said the business community's endorsements are "an important way the chamber supports education."

"Providing for the schools means making sure they have the leadership they need to succeed," Bohn added. "All of the candidates we have endorsed will serve this community well."

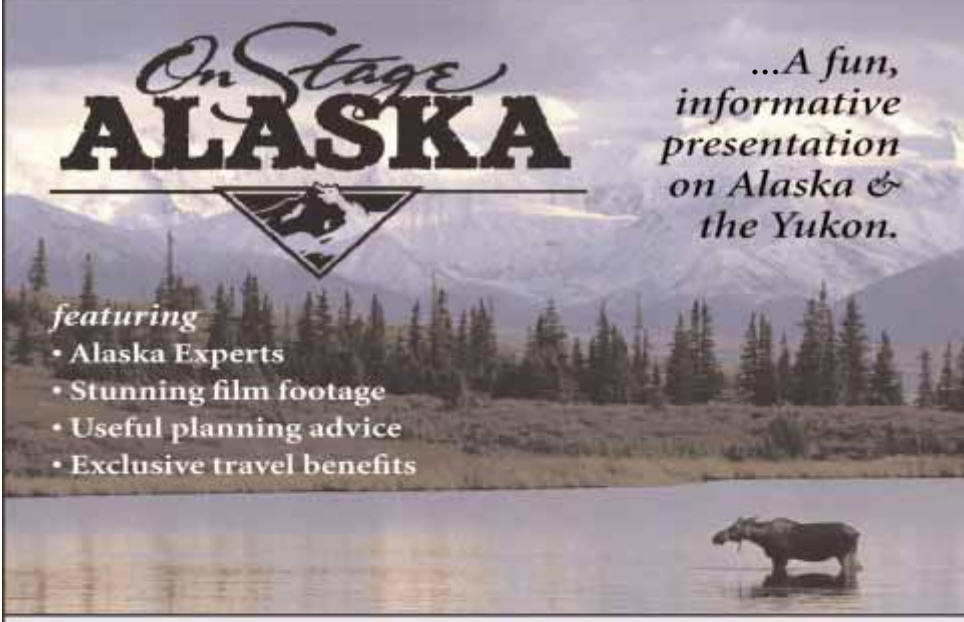
All education candidates, except McLoud and Donner, were endorsed by Santa Monicans for Renters Rights (SMRR), the ruling political party in Santa Monica, which has oftentimes been at odds with the chamber.

The fact that the chamber endorsed SMRR candidates shows "the chamber looks at what is best for the school system," Bohn said. "Who SMRR endorses is not a factor."

Those who were endorsed welcomed the support and felt honored to receive recognition for the work they've done in the community. Each of the candidates expressed gratitude.

With the endorsements comes significant campaign cash, as the firefighters and police look to raise money to help elect their candidates. Members of the chamber said they too will help candidates raise funds and will campaign on their behalf.

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NOTICE OF A PUBLIC HEARING BEFORE THE SANTA MONICA CITY COUNCIL



SUBJECT: Appeal 06APP-038 of the Planning Commission's Technical Denial of Development Review Permit 04-007, Vesting Tentative Tract Map 04-028 and Final Environmental Impact Report **1940-44 Cloverfield Boulevard**

APPLICANT: Torkian Construction
PROPERTY OWNER: Siamak Torkian

A public hearing will be held by the City Council to consider the following request:

An appeal of the Planning Commission's technical denial of the Statement of Overriding Considerations, Development Review Permit and Vesting Tentative Tract Map to allow for the construction of a two-story (30-foot high), 25,001 square foot, 16-unit condominium complex with a 35-space subterranean parking garage on a 25,300 square foot parcel. The proposed project also involves the demolition of eight rent controlled, single-story detached apartments and associated garages. The City Council will also consider certification of the Final Environmental Impact Report (FEIR), which analyzes the environmental impacts of the proposed project.

Approval of the proposed project will require the City Council to adopt a Statement of Overriding Considerations since the FEIR found that the project will have significant and unavoidable traffic impacts on Virginia Avenue between Cloverfield Boulevard and 20th Street. The Final EIR, which consists of the Draft EIR and the responses to comments received during the comment period on the DEIR, is available at the Fairview Branch Library, 2101 Ocean Park Boulevard, at the Office of the City Clerk, City Hall, 1685 Main Street and at the City Planning Division Public Counter, Room 111 in City Hall. The Final Environmental Impact Report (DEIR) is also available on the City's website: <http://santa-monica.org/planning/planningcomm/environmentalreports.html>

DATE/TIME: **TUESDAY, October 10, 2006, AT 6:45 p.m.**

LOCATION: City Council Chambers, Second Floor, Santa Monica City Hall
1685 Main Street, Santa Monica, California

HOW TO COMMENT
The City of Santa Monica encourages public comment. You may comment at the City Council public hearing, or by writing a letter. Written information will be given to the City Council at the meeting.

Address your letters to:

City Clerk
Re: 1940-44 Cloverfield Condominiums Project
1685 Main Street, Room 102
Santa Monica, CA 90401

MORE INFORMATION
If you want more information about this project or wish to review the project file, please contact Laura Beck, Associate Planner at (310) 458-8341, or by e-mail at laura.beck@smgov.net. The Zoning Ordinance is available at the Planning Counter during business hours and on the City's web site at www.santa-monica.org.

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Teams form for aid

DISASTER RELIEF, from page 1

Hurricane Katrina.

Traditionally, requests go out for volunteers qualified for Disaster Services Human Resources (DSHR) to respond to a major event. The calls are typically for individuals with specific specialties, such as persons with experience in family services or feeding. Local volunteers tell their chapter they are able to deploy for as long as three weeks. Volunteers are then matched with needs at the disaster site, instructed to report for duty and flown into the disaster area by the Red Cross.

Recently, the American Red Cross has been urging local chapters to put together DSHR "teams" that specialize in specific service areas such as sheltering, mental health, logistics and family services. With Hurricane Ernesto bearing down on Florida, the Santa Monica "team" put together by Red Godfrey, the chapter's disaster response chair, was "ready to go."

Godfrey's team consisted of Karen Young, 52, from Thousand Oaks; Terry Bourdages, 53, from Westwood; Joe Blumenfeld, 56, from Woodland Hills; Janet Burnley, 51, from Santa Monica and Kristen Ulrich, 36, also from Santa Monica.

Godfrey and Young had gone out on Hurricane Katrina disaster relief the previous year and were the only members of the team who had previous on-site disaster experience. The others came to the Santa Monica chapter during Katrina relief efforts to volunteer.

"They called us and we told them to come in, take classes and get the training to be able to go out into the Katrina disaster area," Godfrey related. "And, they did."

Young drives from Thousand Oaks to Santa Monica twice a week to volunteer, while Godfrey, who is also on the chapter's Board of Directors, drives in four days a week from Calabasas. The chapter doesn't compensate volunteers for mileage or other expenses.

"The American Red Cross was eager to try the team-versus-individual concept," said Godfrey. "The thinking was that a 'team' that's already organized and whose members know each other might be able to hit the ground running at a disaster faster than assembling a group of diverse strangers from around the country into a team on scene."

Godfrey's team was originally scheduled to fly into Tampa, FL, immediately after Ernesto blew through, but were rerouted the day of their flight to Charleston, South Carolina, because Ernesto was rapidly moving up the East Coast.

In Charleston, the Santa Monica team of shelter associates was put in charge. Santa Monica was the only chapter that had deployed a trained group of people already assembled as a working team.

"Most of the other volunteers did not understand what the 'team concept' was," Godfrey said, "mainly because they had never seen it before."

The Red Cross' Raleigh Service Area headquarters had determined there was a need for supervision of shelter operations and mass care, including food distribution. The Santa Monica team began by coordinating overall mass care in the Charleston area. Because evacuation shelters were set up in local schools, the school districts themselves provided most of the hot meals to shelter clients, thus making the Santa Monica team's job a little easier.

In Charleston, which was hit by heavy flooding, shelters opened and closed within



Photo courtesy American Red Cross

four days because shelter occupants were able to get back home, quickly. While the Charleston chapter did manage to open some shelters before the Santa Monica unit arrived, Godfrey's team still handed out cots, blankets and meals, took care of administrative work such as head counts, budgeting and the coordination and delivery of various supplies for the four-day period.

As the Charleston operation wound down, the Santa Monica volunteers were preparing to fly back to California when the Southeast Service Area received a call from the job director at Charleston. He said, "If anyone needs help, this is the last chance to utilize this Santa Monica team and reassign them before they go back home."

The Santa Monica team was reassigned to Wilmington, NC, on Cape Fear Island as a reward for their outstanding work in Charleston.

"We got high marks because we did our job and because we were a team, we knew each other, knew what to do and were efficiently organized," remarked Godfrey. "Also, we were relaxed and easy to work with."

Upon arrival on Cape Fear, Godfrey was assigned as the administrator for mass care. The team became the only mass care shelter team, opening and closing two shelters and taking charge of the bulk distribution of cleaning supplies and food. They also took

out Emergency Response Vehicles (ERVs) and distributed food, water and emergency supplies where roads weren't flooded. In many instances, clients picked up Red Cross supplies by canoe from distribution points set up on high ground.

Following a grueling eight days, Santa Monica volunteers were finally back in California, except for Godfrey, who stayed a total of two weeks to continue administering the mass care operations and wrapping up final reports, financial records and the volumes of paperwork that had to be completed for the Red Cross Service Area disaster headquarters. Godfrey also wrote the narratives for chapters in Charleston and Wilmington that describe what the local Red Cross chapters did, things that worked and didn't work, and suggestions for improving local operational efficiency.

Godfrey and the entire Santa Monica chapter are proud of her team of disaster volunteers, noting that Santa Monica now has six more seasoned, veteran disaster volunteers who can provide professional level support right here in the event the city sustains another earthquake or disaster.

EDITOR'S NOTE Bill Bauer is Director of Communications and a volunteer for the Santa Monica Red Cross, as well as a regular columnist for the Daily Press.

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GET LIFTED: (Left to right) Ben Hall, Sam Goltzari, Itai Shapira and Miles Gregley of Elevators bring their brand of hip-hop infused beats, rhymes and songs to 14 Below this Saturday night.

Not your parent's Elevater music

FEELIN' SOULFUL: Elevaters promote positivity and an overall good time with their jams

BY LORI BARTLETT

Special to the Daily Press

Infectious energy flows from Elevaters' diverse sound encompassing hip-hop, rock and funk genres harnessed into a style they simply call "soul."

Diversity is not only found in their sound, Elevaters music stems from a desire to promote positivity, tolerance and self-acceptance. With songs like "Let's Get Real" and "Follow Me," the lyrics tackle topics such as attaining self-empowerment and building relationships on trust.

"There is a lot of intention put into the context of where the song came from," explained bassist Itai Shapira. "A lot of these guys were theater students ... so they understand the power of words. As lyricists, they put a lot of intention into the lyrics ... Our band is very ethnically diverse so we try to express that in the music."

"It's really, uplifting music."

The creative collective known as Elevaters met primarily through a UCLA theater class. The lull between classes in the sculpture garden outside the theater building became an opportunity for four of the band's current members to begin jamming together.

Vocalist and beatboxer Ben Hall said the

incidental courtyard meetings resulted in a musical relationship that was special from the start.

"Sam (Goltzari), our keyboard player, and MC and David (Noily) and Miles (Gregley) and I would just be hanging out, and we would just start making music together," he recounted. "I would start beatboxing and they would start singing and rapping. We just started making music together when we had free time because it was fun."

"I always felt, with these guys, I was talking about things I really cared about," said Hall. "I found myself being very honest with them and that was something special."

That something special was put on hold while the group split to explore the post-grad world, but the Los Angeles area beckoned. After three years, they decided it was the right time to focus on the musical chemistry they felt in college. As they harnessed in on the new vision, Shapira joined as the fifth member, adding depth to the former vocal and guitar sound.

Drummer Andre Morton, the newest member, joined up with Elevaters after seeing their live show at The Mint in February.

"I walked in and the guys were performing without a drummer and Ben was doing the beatbox, and they were just so entertain-

ing," said Morton. "So I just stayed after the show... and said 'You guys are holding this thing down, but if you had a drummer you'd really be able to blow up.'"

While every band has dreams of being signed to a major record label and to have the means to distribute their music on a larger scale, the group is loyal to its Santa Monica roots.

With the current Elevaters incarnation, the sextet has made a name for itself in the Santa Monica area, regularly headlining shows at local spots such as Temple Bar and 14 Below. With a strong theater background, Elevaters

are far from shy on stage and bring a frenetic brand of energy to their performances.

"We are very comfortable on stage," said Goltzari. "When I go see a performance, I want to get a connection, get a sense of who they are, so I just take the things that I love in shows that I've seen and I really try to make sure that we keep that kind of energy in our shows — just a positive, happy experience on stage, and hopefully, that translates to the audience."

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"Here, we got that beach, Westside mentality. We also have that open-mindedness, and people who like a variety of music — classic rock and hippie rock mixed with hip-hop," said guitarist Noily. "The people are here. There are people of all ages at our shows. Santa Monica is represented at an Elevaters show for sure."

Santa Monicans can get Elevated on Saturday at 14 Below, as Elevaters headline a show featuring Libra Project and Emily Moultrie, with doors opening at 8 p.m. and Elevaters rocking the stage around 11 p.m. Tickets are \$8 at the door and in advance. Call (310) 451-5040 for more information.



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This weekend, we've got a terrific new dance performance at Highways showcasing new work developed at UCLA's second annual Hothouse Program, opening weekend of Santa Monica Theatre Guild's production of a contemporary classic, more music on the Pier, a free day at the California Heritage and animated folk tales at the Aero. There really is something for everyone. You'll find me at the Aero on Sunday, where I hope to discover just why it is that elephants can't fly.



Popped! Contemporary Dance at Highways

If you're a fan of contemporary dance, Highways is definitely the place to be this weekend when Casebolt and Smith, LA's film newest contemporary dance company, premieres Popped! This performance, which ruptures the boundaries of friendship, collaboration and personal space, plays tonight through Sunday.

POPPED!
Casebolt and Smith
Highways Performance Space
<http://www.highwaysperformance.org/>
1651 18th Street at the 18th Street Arts Center
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Wake Up With the Waves

Start your day off with the fishies and the kiddies on Saturday morning when the Pier's third Wake Up With the Waves concert presents Mariachis Para Sus Ninos. It's the totally cool thing to do for the mini-bailadores and their adults.

Wake Up With the Waves
Mariachis para sus Niños
9 a.m. - 11 a.m.
Saturday
Santa Monica Pier
<http://www.santamonicapier.org/>

Through the Eyes of the Sculptor

The Santa Monica Main Library presents a free screening of "Through the Eyes of the Sculptor" on Saturday at 3 p.m.. This film follows sculptor Emmanuel Fillion on his search for the perfect marble block. The audience is afforded an up-close look as Fillion's work is conceived in clay and then immortalized in marble. After the film, director/writer/narrator Gina Minervini will lead a discussion.

Santa Monica Main Library
<http://www.smpl.org/>
Martin Luther King, Jr. Auditorium
601 Santa Monica Boulevard
(310) 458-8600

California Heritage Museum — Free For All!

This Sunday, before you pick up your fresh produce at the Main Street Farmers Market, be sure to swing through the California Heritage Museum for the second annual Museums Free-For-All day. Heritage, along with many other museums in the LA region, are throwing open the doors and laying out the welcome mat. Currently, the museum is showing an incredible array of art quilts by California quiltmakers and their gift shop sells beautiful tiles, mahjong tile bracelets and books on past museum exhibitions.

The California Heritage Museum
<http://www.californiaheritagemuseum.org/>
2612 Main Street
(310) 392-8537

And just in case you absolutely insist on leaving Santa Monica this weekend to visit some other museum, here's the LA Museums web site where you can find a list of all the museums participating in the Museums Free For All (<http://www.museumsla.org/>) .

NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC ALL ROADS FILM FESTIVAL ANIMATED PROGRAM

After the market, drop off your goodies and get on over to the Aero Theatre for the animated program of the National Geographic All Roads Film Festival (<http://www.nationalgeographic.com/allroads>). Traditional tales from Africa, the Pacific Northwest, Mexico, India and other cultures come alive in animated form. I'm particularly intrigued by the Canadian film "The Raven and the Sea Wolf," in which the first man is dismayed to find he has no skill as a fisherman and that his skills as an artisan are unappreciated and seeks help from a mythical sea monster. I'm also dying to know how the elephant lost his wings as depicted in the Muria Gond's tale of the conflict between the first elephant and man. Ever since Dumbo, I've been fascinated by flying elephants!

3:00 p.m.
Sunday, October 1
Aero Theatre
1328 Montana Avenue
<http://www.americancinematheque.com>

Six Degrees of Separation at Morgan Wixson Theatre

And finally, the Santa Monica Theatre Guild presents "Six Degrees of Separation," John Guare's brilliantly compelling story of two New York art dealers whose lives are changed forever after they encounter a charismatic young man who's both more, and less, than who he claims to be. "Six Degrees of Separation" opens Friday, Sept. 29 at the Morgan-Wixson Theatre and continues through Saturday, Oct. 28, with performances on Fridays and Saturdays at 8 p.m. and Sundays at 2 p.m. Tickets are \$18 for general admission, \$15 for seniors and students with group discounts available. Tickets may be purchased by calling the Theatre Box Office at 310-828-7519.

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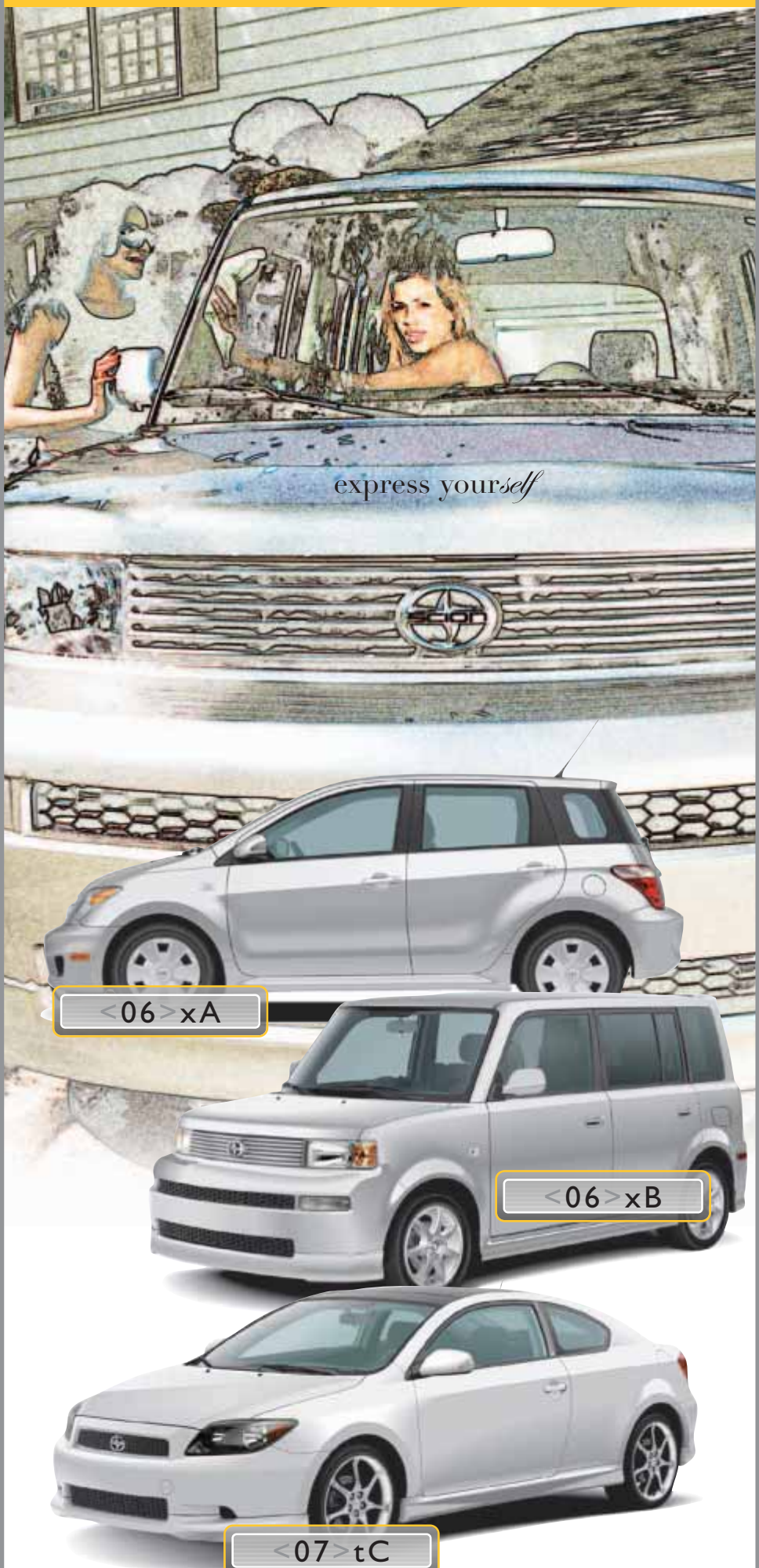
Well, that wraps it up for this week's Palette. Santa Monica's Cultural Affairs Division is still working away on the development of a new map for the future of the arts and culture in our city. Thanks to everyone who has participated in workshops and surveys so far. Please check our web site for news about the plan and to learn ways that you can participate in drafting this important document. If you have any comments or suggestions for the Palette, please send them along to Artpalette.mailbox@smgov.net.



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Bush urges bickering Asian anti-terror allies to all get along

BY ANNE GEARAN
AP Diplomatic Writer

WASHINGTON — In a Rose Garden appearance arranged to show warmth and unity, the bickering leaders of Pakistan and Afghanistan shook hands with President Bush but not with each other.

Pakistani President Gen. Pervez Musharraf and Afghan President Hamid Karzai, whom Bush considers key bulwarks against Islamic radicalism in a volatile region, barely looked at one another as Bush appealed for cooperation against the common enemy of terrorism.

“These two men are personal friends of mine,” Bush said in a brief Rose Garden appearance before Wednesday’s light dinner of soup, sea bass and salad. “They are strong leaders who have an understanding of the world in which we live. They understand that the forces of moderation are being challenged by extremists and radicals.”

The meeting was a command performance for leaders who have joined their fortunes to Bush’s anti-terror drive since the Sept. 11, 2001, attacks but who for months

have picked at one another’s efforts to fight terrorists along their long, remote, mountainous border.

They actually did shake hands before joining Bush in appearing before reporters, National Security Council spokesman Frederick Jones said Thursday.

After the private meal, the White House issued a bland statement that called the session a “constructive exchange” but outlined no new agreements or initiatives. The White House did not make any officials available for questions.

“They committed to supporting moderation and defeating extremism through greater intelligence sharing, coordinated action against terrorists, and common efforts to enhance the prosperity of the people of Afghanistan and Pakistan,” the statement from press secretary Tony Snow said.

Afghanistan’s ambassador to the United States, Said Jawad, said the dinner ran into overtime and ended on a good note. He said Karzai and Musharraf agreed to hold two joint tribal councils, gathering tribal leaders from both sides of their border, and to meet again soon.

Jawad said the discussion was frank, but he did not say whether Bush directly asked his guests to knock off their sniping in public.

Snow, speaking to reporters Thursday, said the two leaders agreed on new ways to fight terror and address root causes of terrorism. Snow would not say whether they agreed to a verbal cease-fire.

Bush’s three-way dinner party, just weeks before the November congressional elections, came as he works to persuade voters that Republicans are best able to guide the U.S.-led war against terrorism. He faces declining American support for both the U.S.-led war in Iraq and the U.S. military commitment in Afghanistan.

Afghan officials claim that Pakistan lets Taliban militants hide out and launch attacks into Afghanistan. Musharraf says Karzai has bad information and notes that Pakistan has deployed 80,000 troops along the porous border.

Karzai says Musharraf turns a blind eye to hatred and extremism being bred at Islamic schools in Pakistan. At one point, Musharraf said Karzai is behaving “like an ostrich,” refusing to acknowledge the truth and trying to shore up his political standing at home.

Right up to Wednesday night’s White House dinner, they also have pointed fingers at one another over al-Qaida’s Osama bin Laden and other terror leaders. Each says bin Laden isn’t hiding in his country and suggests the other might do more to help find him.

The heated accusations had put the White House in the middle, and Bush

thought it was time to clear the air.

Standing between the pair, Bush emphasized “the need to cooperate, to make sure that people have got a hopeful future” in both countries.

The Afghan and Pakistani leaders stood stiffly on either side of Bush as he spoke without notes or a lectern. Musharraf was tightlipped, hands clasped awkwardly before him. Karzai nodded agreeably as Bush spoke. Neither of the foreign leaders spoke.

“Today’s dinner is a chance for us to strategize together” and find common solutions, Bush said.

Speaking in London Thursday, where he traveled after his U.S. visit, Musharraf said, “The meeting that I held with President Bush and Hamid Karzai last night was very good. It was decided that we should have a common strategy. We have to fight terrorism. We have to defeat it, defeat it jointly.”

The session came as Afghanistan suffers its worst reversals since the U.S.-led ouster of the extremist Taliban regime nearly five years ago.

The Taliban militants have regrouped and launched an offensive earlier this year whose strength and organization took Afghan and U.S. officials by surprise. They have adopted methods commonly used by militants in Iraq: suicide bombings, ambushes and beheadings.

Illegal opium production has risen yearly despite billions of dollars spent to suppress it, and Afghanistan is now the source of more than 90 percent of the world’s supply.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING TO BE HELD BY THE SANTA MONICA ZONING ADMINISTRATOR ON APPLICATIONS FOR VARIANCES

TIME/DATE: 10:30 a.m., TUESDAY, OCTOBER 10, 2006

LOCATION: Council Chambers, Room 213, Santa Monica City Hall, 1685 Main Street, Santa Monica

A Public Hearing will be held by the Zoning Administrator of the City of Santa Monica at the above noted time and place in regard to the following requests:

SUBJECT OF HEARING:

Use Permit 06-008, 2800 Twenty-Eighth Street. Requests approval of a Use Permit for the installation of an unmanned wireless telecommunications facility on the roof of a commercial office complex located in the Santa Monica Business Park. The proposed antennas do not comply with the requirements for non-parabolic antennas contained in Santa Monica Municipal Code (SMMC) Section 9.04.10.06.110 (a). [Planner: Regina.Szilak@smgov.net] **Applicant: Royal Street Communications. Property Owner: Arden Realty Limited Partnership.** [This application was continued from August 8, 2006 Zoning Administrator Hearing.]

Use Permit 06-009, 1901 Main Street. Requests approval for 6 roof-mounted non-parabolic antennas, 1 4-foot diameter microwave antenna and equipment cabinets. The proposed microwave antenna does not comply with the requirements of Santa Monica Municipal Code (SMMC) Section 9.04.10.06.160 for parabolic antennas in non-residential districts. The proposed non-parabolic antennas do not comply with the requirements of Santa Monica Municipal Code (SMMC) Section 9.04.10.06.110(a). [Planner: Dennis.Banks@smgov.net] **Applicant: Royal Street Communications (Metro PCS). Property Owner: ADMA, LLC.**

Use Permit 06-010, 1920 Colorado Avenue. Requests approval for additional antennas and equipment to an existing unmanned wireless telecommunications facility on the roof of a medical office complex. The proposed antennas do not comply with the requirements for non-parabolic antennas contained in Santa Monica Municipal Code (SMMC) Section 9.04.10.06.110 (a). [Planner: Regina.Szilak@smgov.net] **Applicant: Cingular Wireless. Property Owner: 1920 Colorado Inc.**

Variance 06-016, 1753 Tenth Street. Requests to permit 1 required parking space to be located in the front half of the subject parcel and a modification to side yard setback requirements to permit a carport to encroach XX-feet into the required eight-foot side yard setback of the R2 district. [Planner: Dennis.Banks@smgov.net] **Applicant/Property Owner: Ann McGarvey.**

Variance 06-017, 505 Arizona Avenue. Request to eliminate the loading space requirement and to allow 10 of 25 required parking spaces to be provided at an off-site location. [Planner: Grace.Cho@smgov.net] **Applicant/Property Owner: First Church of Christ, Scientist, Santa Monica.**

Any person may comment at the Public Hearing, or by writing a letter to the City Planning Division, Room 212, P.O. Box 2220, Santa Monica, CA 90407-2220. Plans are available for public review at the City Planning Division. For more information, please contact the City Planning Division at (310) 458-8341.

Pursuant to California Government Code Section 64009(b), if this matter is subsequently challenged in Court, the challenge may be limited to only those issues raised at the Public Hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the City of Santa Monica at, or prior to, the Public Hearing. The meeting facility is accessible. If you have any disabilities related request, contact at (310) 458-8341 or TTY (310) 458-8696 at least three (3) days prior to the meeting. Santa Monica “Big Blue” Bus Lines #1, #2, #3, #7 and #8 serve the City Hall.

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Attack on Colo. school hostages ‘sexual in nature,’ sheriff says

BY CATHERINE TSAI
Associated Press Writer

BAILEY, Colo. — The gunman who took six girls hostage in a high school classroom, killing one, had sexually assaulted at least some of them, the sheriff said Thursday. “He did traumatize and assault our children,” Park County Sheriff Fred Wegener said. “I’ll only say that it’s sexual in nature.”

Wegener identified the suspect as Duane R. Morrison, 53, of the Denver area. He said investigators had not established any previous connection between him and the hostages.

Authorities said Morrison had let four of the hostages go before a SWAT team stormed the Platte Canyon High School classroom where he had been cornered Wednesday.

The gunman fatally wounded one of the girls and killed himself as the deputies charged in. The other girl escaped.

The victim was identified by acquaintances and a co-worker as 16-year-old Emily Keyes, shown in a yearbook photo as a smiling blonde who played volleyball and was on the high school debate team.

She was pronounced dead at a Denver hospital after Wednesday’s standoff, which reminded many people of the 1999 massacre at Columbine High, less than an hour’s drive away.

“This is something that has changed my school, changed my community,” said Wegener, a 36-year resident of Bailey. “My small county’s gone.”

Wegener said Morrison made few demands. “Most of the demands were, ‘Leave me alone, get out of here,’” he said.

Asked about his decision to storm the classroom, Wegener said:

“Being a sheriff in a small community, knowing all the parents, knowing the kids — my daughter graduated last year, my son’s a junior here — it is very difficult. Because I’d want whoever was in my position to do the same thing. And that is to save lives,” he said.

Morrison began the takeover by ordering students to line up at the chalk board as he tapped each with his gun and told them to stay or go, a student in the classroom said.

Cassidy Grigg, 16, said the man walked in, fired a warning shot at the floor and ordered the students to line up. He told some to leave and others — all girls — to stay.

“You could tell that he wanted the females,” Cassidy said on NBC’s “Today” Thursday. “He tapped me on the shoulder and he told me to leave the room. I told him, ‘I don’t want to leave.’”

“He told me that if I didn’t go then he would pretty much

kill me,” Cassidy told ABC’s “Good Morning America.” “I noticed that he wanted to keep the females in the class. That’s the main reason why I didn’t want to go because I’m sure the girls would have felt more support if there would have been some males in the class with them.”

No one recognized the man, who seemed to be dressed as a student, Cassidy said.

“He was just an old guy who came on a mission, and I think he got what he wanted,” he told “Today.”

“We are a community in mourning,” schools superintendent Jim Walpole said. “Our thoughts, our prayers are with our students, staff and their families. Especially the family of the student we lost.”

Residents gathered quietly Thursday morning at the Cutthroat Cafe, where Keyes had been a waitress for about two years, to grieve and remember, said Bobbi Sterling, a waitress and cook there.

“It’s very sad here. You know, the family lost their daughter but as a community, we lost a child,” she said. “We’re just sitting here, numb and in shock. We’re all just kind of stunned. People are here for mutual support.”

Grigg described Emily as one of his first friends when he moved to the area in sixth grade.

“She was always sweet,” he told “Today.” “She was just friendly. She was just a good person in general.”

Wegener was at a loss to explain a motive. “I don’t know why he wanted to do this,” Wegener said, his voice breaking.

The gunman claimed he had explosives in a backpack and was wielding a handgun, authorities said. He released four hostages one by one, then abruptly cut off communication with authorities and set a deadline that forced authorities to act.

He said authorities used explosives as they entered the classroom, only to have the suspect fire at officers, shoot one of the girls and then himself.

School was canceled for the rest of the week at the high school and the adjoining middle school in this tiny mountain town.

The lines of students fleeing the schools, the bomb squads and the frantic parents scrambling to find their loved ones evoked memories of the Columbine attack, where two students killed 13 people before taking their own lives.

Michael Owens, who has one son at the middle school and another in the high school, said the anxiety was worse because the memory of Columbine was still fresh.

“Things that are out of your control, you just do what you can do,” he said. “It’s like an earthquake.”

Suspects in Vail fires to enter pleas in Oregon courtroom

By The Associated Press

EUGENE, Ore. — Two defendants in a federal investigation of environmental radicals face sentencing in December on eight counts of arson stemming from the \$12 million fires at a Vail, Colo., ski resort in 1998.

Chelsea Dawn Gerlach and Stanilas Gregory Meyerhoff, both 29, were arraigned Wednesday in federal court in Eugene.

They are to enter pleas and be sentenced on Dec. 14, when they are also to be sentenced for other arson-related crimes to which they pleaded guilty in July.

Under plea deals the pair made with federal prosecutors, both agreed to have the Colorado charges transferred to Oregon to be settled along with their other arson cases.

The Vail crimes focused national attention on radical environmentalists who ascribed their attacks to the secretive Earth Liberation Front and Animal Liberation Front.

The Vail fires are one of 18 separate attacks charged to a group of 13 people between 1996 and 2001.

Meyerhoff, who renounced ELF, earlier pleaded guilty to 54 charges related to seven separate attacks in a plea deal for a recommendation from federal prosecutors that he be sentenced to 15 years and eight months, according to court records.

As part of his deal, authorities in Michigan, Arizona, Washington, Wyoming and California will not prosecute potential cases against him, court records showed.

Gerlach pleaded guilty to 18 charges in five separate attacks. She has apologized for the harm and fear created by her actions, which she said were motivated by “a deep sense of despair and anger at the deteriorating state of the global environment.”

Prosecutors have recommended Gerlach get a 10-year sentence. Authorities in Wyoming, Washington and California agreed not to pursue potential cases against Gerlach, according to court records.

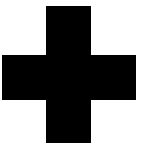
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More violence in Iraq kills at least 21

BY PATRICK QUINN
Associated Press Writer

BAGHDAD, Iraq — A car bomb killed five people Thursday and wounded another 34 after it exploded near a restaurant in central Baghdad, police said.

Bombing and shootings killed at least 21 people in and around the capital, and police reported finding 40 bodies.

The car bomb exploded at noon near the Abu Tibeekh restaurant in Sadoun Street in central Baghdad. Many of the injured had serious burns and some were not expected to survive, police Lt. Ali Mohsen said at the Kindi Hospital.

Although the Muslim fasting month of Ramadan is under way, some Iraqis are not abstaining from eating meals during daytime hours.

Two Iraqi soldiers were killed and 10 more injured when a suicide car bomb slammed into a checkpoint in northeast Baghdad, police said.

The attack came in the Shaab neighborhood, one that just been cleared by U.S. and Iraqi troops as part of the Operation Together Forward security drive in the capital.

The bodies of 40 men have been found dumped in eastern and western Baghdad in the past 24 hours, police said. All showed signs of torture, had been shot, and had their hands and feet bound, police Lt. Thayer Mahmoud said.

Gunmen killed seven people, including five policemen and a woman, in different locations in the province of Diyala just north of Baghdad, police said.

The included two police and a woman who were killed in Muqdadiah, about 60 miles north of Baghdad. The two policemen were brothers. Another three officers and his brother were killed in the city of Baqouba.

A shootout between Iraqi soldiers and a truckload of gunmen resulted in the death of six militants southwest of Baghdad, said Col. Khalil al-Zawbaey, spokesman for the 2nd Brigade.

The top U.S. military spokesman in Iraq, Maj. Gen. William B. Caldwell, said Wednesday that murders and execution-style killings are the No. 1 cause of civilian deaths in Baghdad. Much of the violence has been attributed to death squads, many of which are thought to be offshoots of mainly Shiite militias.

He added that there had been a spike in violence in Baghdad with the onset of Ramadan, which Sunnis began observing Saturday and Shiites on Monday, and that suicide attacks were at their highest level ever.

“This has been a tough week,” he said.

A child was killed in the southern Baghdad neighborhood of Dora when a mortar shell landed on a house, police said.

Seven policemen and three Interior Ministry special forces were injured in three different bombings in the capital.

Southwest of Samarra, a city 60 miles north of Baghdad, two fuel tankers were hit with roadside bombs and blew up, police said. Police initially said the attack had been on an oil pipeline.

Shadowy object found at the tip of Aleutian chain may be lost World War II submarine

BY JEANNETTE J. LEE
Associated Press Writer

ANCHORAGE, Alaska — Underwater sonar images of a black shape against a background of grainy monochrome are safely stored on two computer hard drives at Bruce Abele's home in Newton, Mass.

Blurred by odd shadows and striations, the silhouettes are the biggest clues in more than 60 years to the fate of his father's World War II submarine, the USS Grunion, which sank nearly 5,000 miles west of Massachusetts, near the obscure islands at the tip of Alaska's Aleutian chain.

For decades, relatives of the Grunion's 70 lost crewmen had no information beyond fragmented U.S. Navy records, and a few rumors, about where and why the sub went down.

They knew the Grunion had sunk two Japanese submarine chasers and heavily damaged a third in July 1942 near Kiska, one of two Aleutian islands occupied by the Japanese. They knew her last official radio message to the sub base at Dutch Harbor, on July 30, 1942, described heavy enemy activity at Kiska Harbor. They knew she still had 10 of her 24 torpedoes during that communication. They knew Dutch Harbor responded with an order to return to the base, but they don't know if Grunion ever received it.

Until a few years ago, the clues were too sparse to justify a search, said Abele, whose father, Mannert Abele, was the Grunion's commander.

“We really didn't do anything about it because there was nothing, no information,” Abele said. “What were we going to do?”

Abele and his two brothers all married and had children. Bruce, the oldest, started working in computers in the late 1950s and later invested in Boston-area real estate. Brad, the middle son, owned a management recruiting business and John helped found the multibillion dollar medical equipment company Boston Scientific Corp.

Four years ago, a man who had heard about the Grunion's disappearance e-mailed Bruce the links to several Grunion Web sites.

One site held an entirely new clue, a note from a Japanese model ship builder who said he thought he knew what had happened to the Grunion.

John Abele contacted the man, Yutaka Iwasaki, who translated and sent him a report written in the 1960s by a Japanese military officer who served in the Aleutians. A maritime magazine had recently reprinted the report.

It described a confrontation between a U.S. submarine and the officer's freighter, the Kano Maru, on July 31, 1942, about 10 miles northeast of Kiska — the Grunion's patrol area.

The sub dispatched six or seven torpedoes. All but one bounced off the boat without exploding, or missed, the officer wrote, although the hit knocked out his engines and communications. He said he returned fire with an 8-centimeter deck gun, and believed he had sunk the sub.

Japanese troops took over Kiska and Attu in early June 1942, just as the Allies were winning the battle of Midway. The U.S. Navy was shoring up its defenses in the central Pacific, but managed to assign more than a dozen submarines to the waters around Kiska at the end of the month, according to declassified Navy orders.

The Abeles began investigating the identity of the sub in the Kano Maru officer's report.

They contacted Robert Ballard, discoverer of the Titanic. He declined to participate in a search, but briefed the Abeles on the complications of searching for deep-sea wrecks. Geological formations sometimes conceal a vessel; it could be perched precariously on an undersea cliff; the water pressure and landing impact could have broken the Grunion into small pieces, making it harder to find.

They also hired a marine survey firm, Williamson and Associates, for an expedition in August to Kiska. The Seattle-based company focuses on mapping ocean and river bottoms for oil companies, government agencies and academic institutions and, occasionally, agrees to explore for wrecks.

Williamson at first told the Abeles that surveying the tip of the Aleutian archipelago would be too expensive, Bruce Abele said, but after six months of negotiating, the firm agreed to send sonar technicians and equipment aboard a Bering Sea crab boat to the frigid waters licking the base of Kiska volcano.

The U.S. Navy, citing lack of resources, is not involved in the search and the Abeles prefer to keep the cost to themselves.

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Movin' Out

Joel is selling his home in Oyster Bay Harbor for a hefty price

Four years after purchasing an estate with picturesque views of Oyster Bay Harbor, BILLY JOEL, the 57-year-old singer has listed the place for sale with a prominent real estate firm.

Joel, who paid \$22.5 million for the property in 2002, now has an asking price of \$37.5 million. For that, a buyer will get a 40,000-square-foot brick, gabled house containing five bedrooms

with three full baths, three half-baths and eight fireplaces on 14.26 acres with 1,550 feet of shoreline on Oyster Bay. A guest cottage and a pool house by the beach are included.

Joel's spokeswoman, Claire Mercuri, told Newsday: "Billy is a Long Islander and still maintains a property in Sag Harbor." She declined further comment. Other amenities include a gym,

music room, wine cellar, outdoor pool, bowling alley and tennis courts, and a domed-roof indoor pool room, which has been converted into a space for Joel's grand piano.

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Marriage and a baby carriage for Peet

AMANDA PEET and screenwriter DAVID BENIOFF are expecting a baby and will marry this weekend, the "Studio 60" actress says.

Peet, 34, told David

Letterman on CBS' "Late Show" on Wednesday that she is four months' pregnant, earning her the nickname "Fatty" on the set of her NBC show.

"See, that's not right,"

Letterman said. "That's just not right."
"I think it's really funny," she replied.
Peet starred in the movies "Something's Gotta Give," "Syriana"

AP

Timmons feels the heat from charges

JEFF TIMMONS of '90s boy band 98 Degrees pleaded no contest to charges of reckless driving and refusing to sign a citation and was sentenced to a year of probation.

Wednesday. The 33-year-old singer was ordered to undergo treatment for alcohol and substance abuse and must serve 50 hours of community service. Timmons was pulled over April 23 in a white Mercedes for driving 60 mph in a 45-mph zone, according to a report. He

was in town for a charity softball game.
He originally had been charged with driving under the influence, but that charge was dropped due to a lack of evidence, said assistant state attorney Michelle Perlman.
"Mr. Timmons refused all

physical testing — breath or blood or urine," Perlman said.
Defense attorney Michael Donnelly said, "In light of the facts, we consider the negotiated plea of reckless driving to be a fair resolution in this case."

AP

Stars rome about for foreign film fest

NICOLE KIDMAN, MONICA BELLUCCI AND VIGGO MORTENSEN are among the stars headlining the first edition of the Rome Film Festival.

movie is being shown out of competition.
"This film is a paradigm. It has everything you can think of for an opening film," Piera Detassis, a member of the festival's board of directors, said Tuesday.
Bellucci stars in "N (lo e Napoleone)" or "N (Napoleon

and I)" and "Le Concile de pierre" or "The Stone Council," both being shown out of competition. Mortensen appears in "Alatriste," a movie about a soldier living in 17th-century Spain.
Also premiering at the festival, but showing out of competition, is Mira Nair's "The

Namesake," a movie about an Indian family moving to New York City.
Among the 16 movies competing for the best movie award are Iranian Niki Karimi's "Chand rooz ba'd ... (A few days later ...)" and Shane Meadows' "This Is England."

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MOVIEGUIDE

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AERO THEATRE
1328 Montana Avenue
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Friday
Louie Bluié, Ghost World 7:30
Saturday
Bad Santa — Director's Cut 7:30
Sunday
National Geographic All Roads Film Festival Animated Program 3:00
Crumb 6:30

AMC LOEWS BROADWAY 4
1441 3rd Street
(310) 458-6232

The Black Dahlia (R)
1:15, 4:15, 7:15, 10:00
Hollywoodland (R)
1:00, 4:00, 7:00, 9:50
The Illusionist (PG-13)
1:30, 4:40, 7:30, 10:15
Invincible (PG)
1:45, 5:30, 8:00, 10:30

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Crank (R)
7:30, 9:45
Everyone's Hero (G)
11:50am, 2:20, 4:50
Gridiron Gang (PG-13)
11:20am, 2:30, 5:20, 8:00, 10:50
The Guardian (PG-13)
11:00am, 12:30, 2:10, 3:40, 5:10, 7:00, 8:30, 10:20, 11:35
The Last Kiss (R)
11:30am, 2:00, 4:40, 7:20, 9:40, 11:45
Open Season (PG)
11:10am, 12:50, 1:50, 3:00, 4:30, 5:30, 7:10, 8:10, 9:30, 10:30, 11:30

LANDMARK NUWILSHIRE
1314 Wilshire Blvd
(310) 281-8228

The Last King of Scotland (R)
1:00, 4:15, 7:00, 9:50
The Science of Sleep (R)
11:15am, 1:45, 4:30, 7:20, 10:00

LAEMMLE'S MONICA FOURPLEX
1332 2nd Street
(310) 394-9741

A Guide to Recognizing Your Saints (R)
11:30am, 1:55, 4:30, 7:10, 9:40
Half Nelson (R)
11:30am, 2:05, 4:40, 7:20, 9:55
Little Miss Sunshine (R)
12:00, 2:30, 5:05, 7:40, 10:10
Short Film (NR)
11:20am, 11:35am
The U.S. vs. John Lennon (PG-13)
11:45am, 2:15, 4:50, 7:30, 10:00

MANN'S CRITERION THEATRE
1313 3rd Street
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All the King's Men (PG-13)
1:00, 4:10, 7:20, 10:20
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Jackass: Number Two (R)
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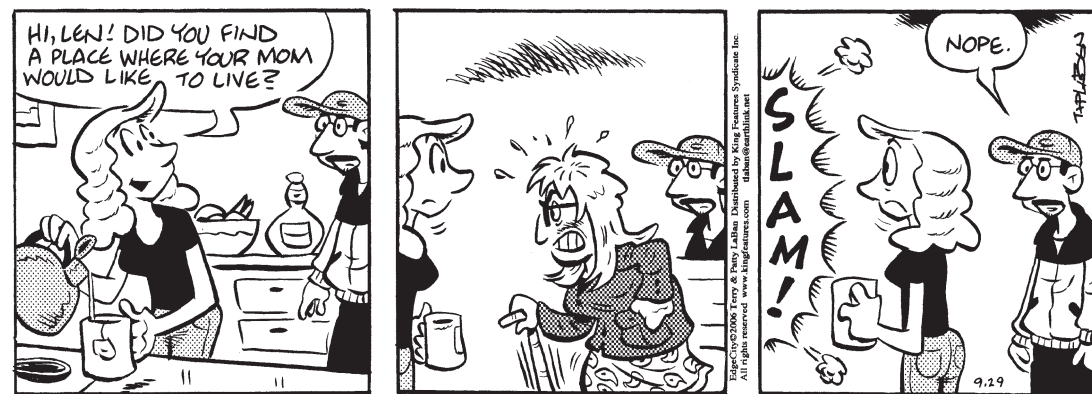
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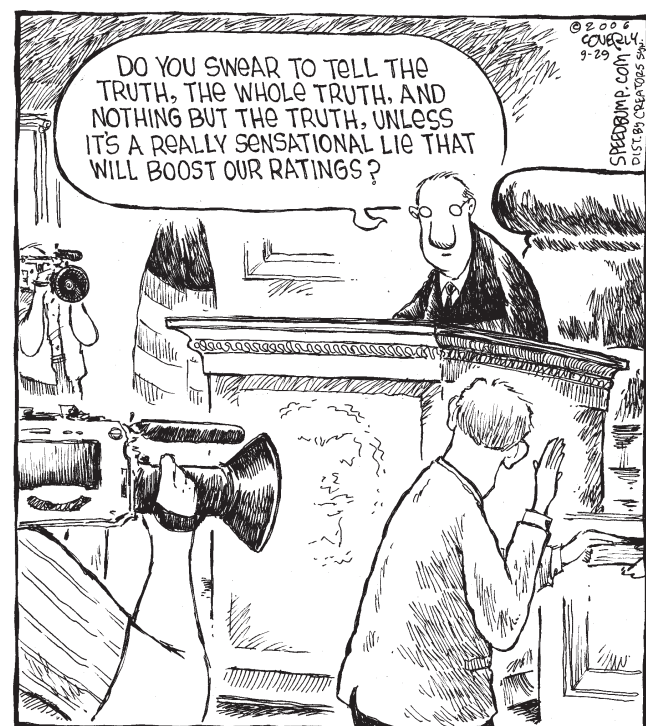
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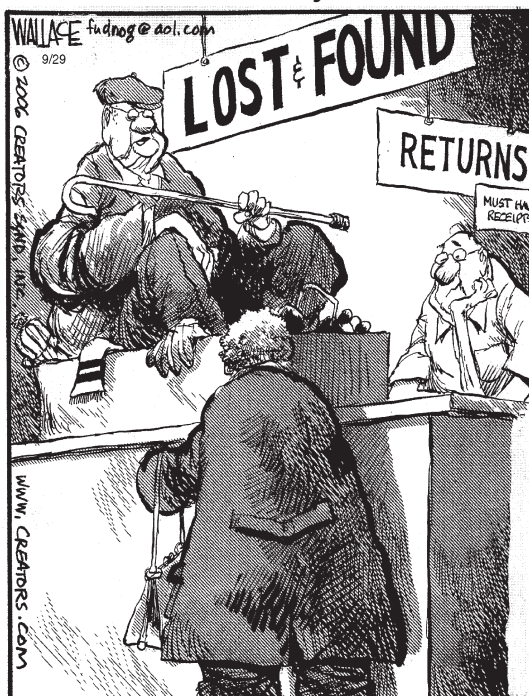
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