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NEWS OF THE WEIRD
BY CHUCK SHEPARD

In 2001, a veteran middle school science teacher in New Bedford, Mass., used the same needle to prick the fingers of two dozen seventh-graders to make blood slides for class. (The teacher retired before school officials learned of the gross breach of blood-safety procedures, and subsequent tests revealed no problems.) In September 2006, a first-year teacher at Salina South High School in Salina, Kan., used the same lancet on more than 20 students in her anatomy and physiology classes, thus violating not only blood-safety rules but system guidelines against using real blood for class work. All students were tested, and results were pending at press time.

TODAY IN HISTORY

Today is the 293rd day of 2006.
There are 72 days left in the year.

1944

During World War II, Gen. Douglas MacArthur stepped ashore at Leyte in the Philippines, 2 1/2 years after he'd said, "I shall return."

1968

Former first lady Jacqueline Kennedy married Greek shipping magnate Aristotle Onassis.

QUOTE OF THE DAY

"Cynicism is intellectual dandyism."

GEORGE MEREDITH
ENGLISH POET (1828-1909)

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Crystal Chen/Special to the Daily Press

IN A SNAP: Singer-actress Lindsay Lohan was swarmed by the paparazzi in Hollywood this summer. Photographers who make a living off snapping up photos of celebrities are also a familiar sight in Santa Monica, a playground for the rich and famous.

Caught in a flash

Celebs are under constant paparazzi watch when in SM

BY KEVIN HERRERA
Daily Press Staff Writer

MAIN STREET — After paying his tab and shaking hands with the bartender, “Brokeback Mountain” star Jake Gyllenhaal said good-bye to Hollywood “it girl” Jessica Biel and

darted out the front door of Rick’s Tavern, only to be greeted by a less-friendly throng of paparazzi, who lit up the night sky with flash bulbs and calls of “Jake! Over here!”

While many tourists dream of being witness to such a display, sites such as that Main Street are com-

mon in Santa Monica, a playground for the rich and famous since the early 1920s, when celebrities like silent film star Marion Davies and media mogul William Randolph Hearst would host lavish dinner

See PAPARAZZI, page 15

Renters market heats up



Melody Hanatani/Daily Press

HOT SPOT: Santa Monica’s location and scenery make it desirable for renters.

BY MELODY HANATANI
Daily Press Staff Writer

CITYWIDE — It’s never easy to find a place to live.

It’s even harder if the target location is much-desired Santa Monica, one of the hottest and most expensive rental markets in Greater Los Angeles.

Beth Tabanera knows how hard it is find an apartment in Santa Monica. The nanny commutes between her client’s house in the

See APARTMENT HUNTER, page 17

Lawsuit claims racism for rent

BY MELODY HANATANI
Daily Press Staff Writer

SM COURTHOUSE — A former Santa Monica apartment hunter has filed suit against a local non-profit responsible for increasing the city’s affordable housing market, accusing it of racism and discrimination.

The offices of Svitlana E. Sangary of Brentwood filed the lawsuit on Wednesday on behalf of Alex Baldwin, a 34-year-old African-American film producer from West Los Angeles, against Community Corporation of Santa Monica, one of the largest landlords of affordable housing with about 1,200 units in the city.

The lawsuit, filed in Santa Monica Court, alleges that Community Corp. violated the California Fair Employment and Housing Act, as well as the state prohibition of discrimination in state-funded programs. The majority of Community Corp. housing in Santa Monica has been funded by the city.

According to Jim Kemper, senior

See LAWSUIT, page 16



Troubled waters

Samohi students complain of mold in Drake Pool. Get the full story on page 16.

Kevin Herrera/Daily Press

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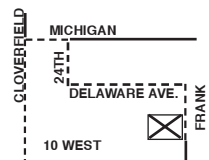
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A night off, Scorpio

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JACQUELINE BIGAR'S STARS The stars show the kind of day you'll have:

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



ARIES (March 21-April 19)

★★★★★ Others run with the ball. Let them. In fact, you might have a much better time if you don't feel such a need to control and run with your ideas. Let others do the work for a change, especially as they are willing and able. Tonight: Say yes.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

★★★★ Emphasize effectiveness and getting the job done. You'll be way ahead of the game if you stay centered and know what you want. Push through hassles and liabilities. Tonight: Be easy-going.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

★★★★★ Your imagination takes you down a perilous route, and you come up with different and new ideas. Romance spices up single Twins' lives, while attached Geminis might want to demonstrate their affection. Tonight: Your creativity surges.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

★★★★ If you need to take a personal day or just want to hang around the house, don't worry - everyone, especially the Moon Child, needs to anchor and make strong choices. Recycle, recenter and renew your sense of well-being. Tonight: Make a favorite dessert.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

★★★★★ Sometimes you might not be sure of yourself. Don't allow insecurity to get to you. Find new ways to deal with different people. You will discover that communications are very easy and light. Return calls, thinking of upcoming plans. Tonight: Fun and games.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

★★★★ Experience greater security by getting advice and willingly expanding your hours of potential. How you see someone could change radically - let it. You might be delighted by what comes up if you don't buck trends. Tonight: Your treat.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

★★★★★ You are in the pink, and others know it. Creativity and imagination plug in together. It might feel as if there is no stopping you now. Think positively about your options. Make choices that put a smile on your face. Tonight: Beam in what you want.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

★★★ Know when to back off and go in another direction. You might not think that everything happens the way you want, but ultimately you could be quite satisfied. Make the impossible possible. Imagine. Tonight: A night off.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

★★★★★ If you don't lose your focus and stay keyed in to the here and now, you will see that much happens that you never anticipated. Friendship makes a significant difference. Let your imagination intertwine with plans. Tonight: Hang where your friends are.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

★★★★ Everyone wants to take a stand; it makes a difference in what goes on. You laugh, and others respond. Understand what might be going on with someone you care about. What you hear and what happens could be two different stories. Tonight: Think "late."

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

★★★★★ Take the high road and consider your options most carefully. What appears as a given could be a problem ultimately if you don't shore up details. Your mind flips to the more creative side. Tonight: Take off as soon as you can.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

★★★★★ Work with one person at a time. If you are distracted, a lot will come down your path. You will find that many people at one time could only distract and prevent you from being as effective as you might like to be. Tonight: Time with a special person.

BORN TODAY Mom **Ludivina de la Torre** (1942), rapper **Snoop Dogg** (1971)

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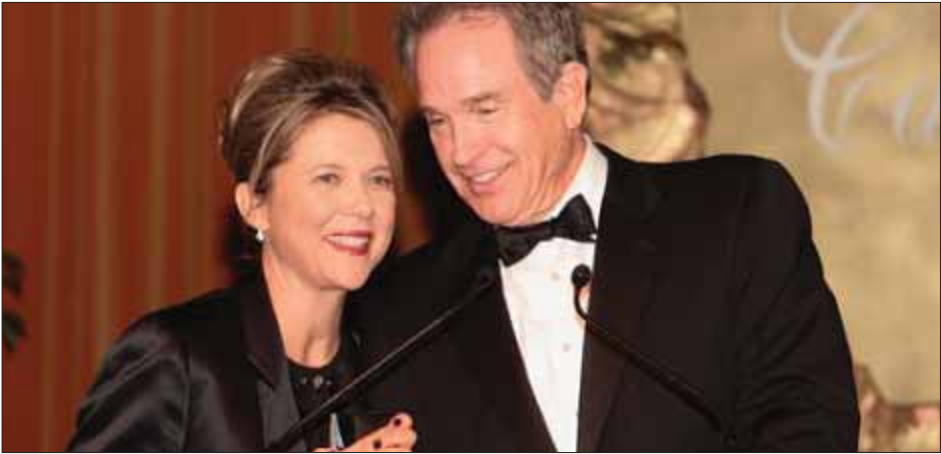


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HONORED: Warren Beatty and his wife, the highly acclaimed actress Annette Bening, were presented with the 2006 Caritas Award on Oct. 15 at the Saint John's Health Center Caritas Gala. More than 500 guests attended the charity event, which raised \$900,000 in vital support to Saint John's.

Beatty and Bening honored at gala

By Daily Press staff

Academy Award-winning actor and director Warren Beatty and his wife, actress Annette Bening, were honored this past Saturday as the 2006 Caritas Award recipients for their spirit of charity, compassion and commitment to others at the Saint John's Health Center Caritas Gala.

More than 500 guests attended the charity event at the Regent Beverly Wilshire in Beverly Hills, raising \$900,000 for Saint John's.

Also honored was philanthropist Flora Laney Thornton, who received the Spirit of Saint John's Award for her service and dedication as a Trustee of the Saint John's Health Center Foundation, as well as for her significant contributions to the cultural and educational institutions in our community.

Past event honorees include Tom Hanks and Rita Wilson, Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger and First Lady Maria Shriver, Anthony Hopkins, Martin Sheen, Vin Scully, Robert Wagner, Angela Lansbury, former First Lady Nancy Reagan and Jimmy Stewart.

The Caritas Gala was hosted by the Saint John's Health Center Foundation and the Irene Dunne Guild, a key support group of the hospital. With a membership of approximately 86 women, the Irene Dunne Guild provides a variety of volunteer services and philanthropic support to Saint John's.

In addition to hosting the Caritas Gala, the Irene Dunne Guild helped fund the new Saint John's Mobile Blood Donor Center and created the "Angels of the ER" program to provide non-medical assistance to emergency room patients and their families. This year's gala was co-chaired by guild members Catherine Corlin and Judy Piro.

Ahoy mateys!

By Daily Press staff

Shiver me timbers, there's free Halloween fun a comin' to Pacific Park, on the Santa Monica Pier, now celebrating its 10th anniversary, at the over-the-ocean swashbuckling-themed Pirates' Pier Mini Golf course.

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To take pleasure in a free round of mini golf, buccaneers in pirate costume merely need to go to the Pirates' Pier Mini Golf entrance and notify the attendant and Pacific Park will provide a complimentary round.

So haul yer family and come walk the planks of the Santa Monica Pier and join the fun at Pirates' Pier Mini Golf at Pacific Park this coming Halloween.

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SURF CONDITIONS

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SWELL FORECAST (4-6 FT)
We should see a temporary, short-lived decrease in size as the NW remains quiet and the south swell backs down to around waist high. We do though have a substantial SW swell due on Saturday the 21st, and as a result, some forerunners will likely creep in at times with 18-20 second periods, making for those rogue-wave pluses at south facing breaks.

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TIDE FORECAST FOR TODAY IN SANTA MONICA

Time	Tide Level (Feet)
02:17	8.0
08:35	2.0
17:05	2.0
20:42	8.0

The Q-Line

Doomed to repeat it?
A pair of local institutions face quite opposite fates, as they grow older and their neighbors grow younger and richer. On Sunday, the Santa Monica-UCLA Medical Center marked its 80th year with a street festival attended by local officials. Meanwhile, the Zephyr skateboarding shop on Main Street — regarded by many as the birthplace of modern skating — faces an uncertain future, as the building's owner looks to redevelop the space.
So this week, Q-Line wants to know:
"Is Santa Monica's history, culture and heritage properly celebrated and preserved, or should bygone eras just be allowed to be gone?"
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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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Historical landmarks under attack on Main Street

Editor:

Many thanks for Melody Hanatani's informative article ("Has Dogtown had its day?") in the Oct. 11 issue of the Daily Press.

It saddens me to think that my Ocean Park neighborhood may lose two touchstones of its funky beach town history — the surf and skate shop, which was the birthplace of modern skateboarding, and an artist's studio still used by John Baldessari, one of our region's more accomplished artists.

Moreover, the changes afoot at 2001-2011 Main Street are a microcosm of the challenges we face in modifying our land use policies for the next 20 years so as to accommodate moderate growth while preserving the essence of Santa Monica.

For instance, during the public input to the update to our land use policies, residents were quite vocal about their desire to preserve our history. Yet here on Main Street, history may be demolished in the name of progress.

At the same time, the public also spoke loudly about its interest in promoting green buildings. The mixed-use project that will replace Horizons West touts itself as the first privately owned LEED-certified apartment complex in Santa Monica (LEED is a yardstick for measuring the environmental benefits of green buildings). The new development will devote 30 percent of its roof space to solar energy, and the conscientious developer apparently would like to devote 100 percent of the roof to renewable energy, but is prohibited from doing so by the City of Santa Monica (and what's up with that in a city that promotes itself as a leader in sustainability?). On the other hand, developer Juli Doar asserts that another green benefit of the building is that it won't have air conditioning.

Since the project is two blocks from the cooling breezes of the Pacific and since few people in Ocean Park use AC because of the benign climate, I'm not so sure that feature will by itself do much to diminish global warming. Perhaps the project could be greener?

Anyway, one public goal of preserving history may be shoved aside to serve another community ambition of embracing sustainability, depending upon the action of the Landmarks Commission. Which is more important? Does one have to be chosen over the other? Perhaps not. Santa Monica residents have also made it clear they'd like to see more adaptive reuse of older buildings in lieu of demolishing structures to build anew. Interestingly enough, reusing vintage buildings is about the greenest approach one can take in environmentally sound construction, and in fact, the LEED standards award points for adaptive reuse.

So why not preserve all or at least part of Horizons West and the studio and build around and on top of them? That way both history and sustainability can be served and the project will be even greener.

Interestingly enough, just across the street, a similar opportunity to adaptively reuse part of a structure while preserving our history was lost a couple of years ago. On the other side of Main Street, between Bay and Bicknell streets, once stood the Boulangerie bakery, now being replaced by a mixed-use project designed by architect Howard Laks (also the architect for 2001-2011 Main). Mr. Laks spent considerable time responding to community feedback and redesigning the Boulangerie project so it would look more like historic Main Street. Then, when the old bakery was demolished, historic tile signs and storefronts from decades-old retail establishments were discovered beneath a mansard overlay installed by the bakery. What better way could there have been to make the new development look like historic Main Street than to incorporate these old storefronts?

Alas, history lost out to progress at the Boulangerie site and the tile signs were not even preserved for use elsewhere. Perhaps it's time to learn a lesson from that fiasco and incorporate history into the redevelopment of 2001 — 2011 Main Street.

If you agree, you can e-mail the developer at info@2001mainstreet.com.

Ted Winterer
Santa Monica

Smoke is not the only smelly problem

Editor:

In response to "SM Takes Final Public Puffs" (SMDP, Oct. 12, Page 1) and City Councilman Herb Katz's comment that "we always hear about these fears of losing tourism, So what?": How typical of our council, not giving a rat's ass about businesses or commerce, while pouring millions of taxpayer dollars into enabling rotting bums to ruin every inch of this city.

Mr. Katz talks about saving lives, and not caring about this city losing money. He must have forgotten that tourism dollars and tax revenue from businesses are what makes this city tick. He must have forgotten that tourists, residents, citizens and voters want to be safe from crime. He must have forgotten that it takes revenue to pay for police and emergency services. He must have forgotten that he was elected to put this community's best interests and safety first.

I am sure that I am not alone in the conclusion that my tax dollars are better spent ridding this city of the law-breaking bums, rather than paying for some ticket-writing hall monitors looking for puffs of smoke.

As a former smoker, and one who despises it these days, I, like most non-smokers, don't like to smell smoke while walking or dining anywhere — I do believe that secondhand smoke is a health hazard, but let's get real here. The bum and urine stench that permeates this city is far worse.

Breathing ammonia, dodging jumping head lice and fending off overly aggressive freeloading beggars is what is hazardous in this city. If only our city leaders would create the same brouhaha, attention and audience over the vagrant problem.

Our city leaders still don't have their priorities straight — no matter how much they hear, they just don't get it. The fact that they would make such a big deal out of the smoking issue, endorse an ordinance and openly encourage a decrease of tax revenue, is beyond comprehension. Santa Monica is now Skid Row West and Herb Katz and his council partners refuse to acknowledge it. It's unbelievable. It's very frustrating. It's inexcusable. It's upsetting. It's nerve racking.

There they go again, our useless council — doing absolutely nothing about the biggest problem we have here ... I think I need a cigarette.

Lori Emerson
Santa Monica

Conservatism leaves some empty promises

THE
SOAP BOX
BY BENNET KELLEY



Throughout the fall campaign, the Bush administration has been stymied and forced to respond to the "Book of the Week" from the National Intelligence Estimate's findings that the "Iraq war has made the overall terrorism problem worse" to Bob Woodward's "State of Denial" exposing the administration's arrogance, mendacity and incompetence in Iraq. This week should be no different, as the release of David Kuo's "Tempting Faith" reveals that compassionate conservatism is nothing more than a hollow facade for a domestic policy solely focused on maintaining power.

As a candidate, George W. Bush articulated his view that compassionate conservatism required more than simply praising compassionate efforts or calling for volunteerism since "without more support and resources, both private and public, we are asking them to make bricks without straw." Bush promised more than \$8 billion to help social service organizations serve "the least, the last and the lost," including more than \$6 billion for tax incentives to increase private charitable giving and a \$200 million annual "Compassion Capital Fund."

Kuo helped launch the White House Office of Faith-Based Initiatives; but by 2005, Kuo declared that "these promises remain unfulfilled in spirit and in fact." The White House political staff had little interest in the program to begin with and quickly discovered that the faith-based initiative "powerfully appealed to both conservative Christians and urban faith leaders — regardless of how much money was being appropriated." As a result, tax incentives for charitable giving were stripped from the 2001 tax bill in favor of the estate repeal (aka "Paris Hilton tax cut") even though this will cost charities at least \$10 billion annually in lost contributions. Bush also failed to allocate a single penny to the Compassion Capital Fund in his initial budget and by the end of his first term it had received only one-eighth of what had been promised.

Republican Congressman Mark Souder has conceded that the Republicans had no interest in the faith-based initiative beyond using it as a political tool since there is no political advantage to helping the poor "because it's not our base." This demonstrates that compassionate conservatism is not about serving "the least, the last and the lost," but instead is about serving the interests of the Republican Party by pandering to and placating its evangelical base. The faith-based program is merely a mask that the

administration wears to give the appearance of having a domestic policy or even compassion.

This confirms what John DiIulio, the first Director of the Office of Faith-Based Initiatives, revealed in 2002 when he stated that "there is no precedent in any White House for what is going on in this one: a complete lack of policy apparatus. What you've got is everything — and I mean everything — being run by the political arm. It's the reign of the Mayberry Machiavellis."

As one Republican senator privately admitted to President Clinton, "Republicans don't believe in government very much, but we love power." This is the fundamental contradiction of Republican governance. As Professor Alan Wolfe writes "Unable to shrink government, but unwilling to improve it, conservatives attempt to split the difference, expanding government for political gain, but always in ways that validate their disregard for the very thing they are expanding. The end result is not just bigger government, but more incompetent government."

Nothing illustrates this more than the administration's response to Hurricane Katrina, which demonstrated both the administration's incompetence and indifference. Last September, President Bush stood in New Orleans, which had endured both the force of Katrina and the impotence of FEMA, and promised to confront the region's "persistent poverty" with "bold action." President Bush has said little about domestic poverty since then and did not even address the issue in his State of the Union Address. When his 2007 budget proposal forced him to choose between his promise of "bold action" and serving his base by making his tax cuts permanent, Bush chose the latter. As a result, the 2007 budget not only includes no new poverty initiatives but dramatically cuts spending on anti-poverty programs.

The Katrina betrayal is nothing new as time and time again this administration has placed the interest of a few over the needs of the nation. This is the inevitable result of a governing philosophy dictated by Mayberry Machiavellis that is devoid of any fundamental principles other than preserving the Republican oligarchy.

In 1999, President Clinton characterized compassionate conservatism as essentially meaning "I like you, I do ... And I'd like to help. But I just can't and I feel terrible about it." Kuo's book suggests that Clinton was right, except that there is no evidence that this cynical White House is even capable of remorse. That may change in November.

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CRIME WATCH

BY DAILY PRESS STAFF

Cops and robbers square off

On Sunday, Oct. 15, at 4 p.m., Santa Monica Police Officers responded to an apartment building in the 2100 block of 20th Street regarding a report of a burglary in progress. When officers arrived, they spoke with witnesses who said a strange woman was seen opening a window to an apartment and climbed in. Officers closed off the area and waited for the suspect to emerge. A short time later, the woman opened the front door of the apartment and was detained by officers for questioning. During their investigation, officers found several items in her possession that did not belong to her, including checkbooks and personal identification.

When the suspect was placed under arrest for burglary, officers said she tried to fight back and was charged with resisting arrest. She was identified as Cynthia Simmons, 22, from Rialto. Her bail was set at \$51,460. Officers said they had spoken with Simmons at the apartment complex earlier in the day. Officers said Simmons told them she was waiting for a friend who lived in the apartment to come home. She was escorted off the property then, but returned later in the day and made entrance via a window.

Speaking of windows, Simmons was cited for vandalism three days earlier after throwing a glass bottle against a window, causing it to shatter. The incident occurred on Wednesday, Oct. 11, at 1:45 p.m. Police said Simmons walked into the Public Safety Facility and became angry and frustrated after learning that her friend had been arrested. Police said Simmons threw a glass bottle against the service counter's window and then left the lobby. She was detained outside and issued a citation for \$500.

On Sunday, Oct. 15, at 6:45 p.m., officers responded to the corner of Main and Bay streets regarding a suspect who was passed out on a bus. When officers arrived, they contacted the suspect, waking him up. Upon further investigation, officers discovered the man had several cell phones in his possession and a Sony PlayStation 2. Officers questioned the suspect, who could not provide any information as to how he came to possess the items, nor could he provide phone numbers for the phones. Officers discovered that the phones had been reported stolen and the suspect was arrested for possession of stolen property, a violation of his probation. The suspect was identified as John Bataeff, 35, of San Francisco. No bail was set.

On Saturday, Oct. 14, at 2:45 a.m., officers responded to the 700 block of Santa Monica Boulevard regarding an assault with a deadly weapon. The alleged victim and the suspect were both said to be homeless and had gotten into an altercation over sleeping arrangements on the sidewalk. The suspect allegedly picked up a piece of wood and struck the victim in the left tricep, just above the elbow. The victim fled and called police. When officers arrived, they located the suspect and placed him under arrest for assault with a deadly weapon. The suspect had several outstanding warrants for misdemeanors. He was identified as Robert Lee Leonard, 52, a transient. His bail was set at \$32,250.

On Friday, Oct. 13, at 8:45 p.m., officers responded to the 2400 block of Colorado Avenue — Café Bizou — regarding a report of a purse snatching. When officers arrived, they spoke with a woman who said she was having drinks at the bar when she struck up a conversation with a young man. After some time, she went to the restroom, leaving her purse behind. When she returned, she said her purse was missing, as was her newfound friend. Other witnesses in the bar said they knew the man from prior contacts and provided officers with his home address in Los Angeles. Officers went to that location and detained the suspect, who was arrested for grand theft. Inside the purse, officers found \$1,500 in cash. The suspect was identified as Ulysses Villanueva, 23, of Los Angeles. His bail was set at \$20,000.

On Friday, Oct. 13, at 7:30 p.m., officers on routine patrol noticed a man sitting on the sidewalk in the 300 block of Arizona Avenue. The man was using a laptop that was plugged into a lightpost, a violation of the municipal code (using electricity without permission). Upon further investigation, officers discovered that the computer did not belong to the suspect and he was arrested for possession of stolen property. He was identified as Larry Black, 49, a transient. His bail was set at \$20,866.

On Friday, Oct. 13, at 8:05 p.m., officers responded to an alley in the 500 block of Colorado Avenue regarding an assault. When officers arrived, they spoke with the victim who said she had gotten into an argument with a friend over sleeping arrangements and the friend began to choke her. The victim identified the suspect and he was placed under arrest for assault. He was identified as Leon Marvin, 49, a transient. His bail was set at \$30,000.

On Wednesday, Oct. 11, at 1:30 p.m., officers responded to an apartment building in the 500 block of Santa Monica Boulevard following a report of a burglary. When officers arrived, they spoke with two victims who said their vehicles had been burglarized while parked in an underground garage. The garage had a video surveillance system that captured the theft. The following morning, at 4:45 a.m., one of the victims went to check on his car when he found the suspect that was captured in the video sleeping in the garage. The victim detained the suspect and called police. The suspect was allegedly wearing clothing that had been stolen from the victim's car the night before. The suspect was arrested and booked for burglary. He was identified as Cyrus Macswayne, 53, a transient from Santa Monica. No bail was set because of outstanding warrants and a parole violation.

On Monday, Oct. 9, at 11:40 p.m., officers responded to an alley in the 200 block of 26th Street. When officers arrived, they spoke with witnesses who pointed to a man who was on top of a garage yelling. The man allegedly said he was being chased. Officers managed to talk him down and during an investigation, he admitted to having taken methamphetamines within the last couple of days, police said. Officers determined the suspect was under the influence of narcotics and placed him under arrest. He was identified as Joel Robles, 23, of Los Angeles. No bail was issued because the suspect was on parole, having just been released from prison a few days prior to the incident.

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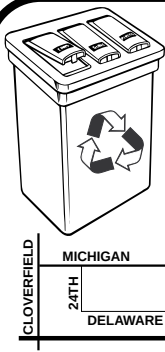
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Parents pull spiritual club

BY MARCUS WOHLSEN

Associated Press Writer

SAN FRANCISCO — Marin County may be etched in the public imagination as a liberal land of hot tubs, aging hippies and free thinkers, but even a bastion of alternative spirituality apparently has its limits.

Plans for a high school meditation club funded by filmmaker David Lynch evaporated this week after parents caught wind that students would be taught Transcendental Meditation, the method developed by a one-time spiritual teacher to The Beatles, Maharishi Mahesh Yogi.

Amid protests that TM was a form of religious practice and therefore inappropriate for a public school, the David Lynch Foundation on Tuesday withdrew the \$175,000 it had pledged to Terra Linda High School in San Rafael.

The grant would have provided funds for 250 students and 25 staffers to practice TM, a meditation style past adherents claimed allowed them to levitate. Lynch, best known as the director of dark, surreal films like "Eraserhead" and "Blue Velvet," has meditated for more than 30 years and credits TM with nourishing his creativity.

Not only does it reduce stress in the body, but the research shows it wakes up the brain. So the child is actually able to absorb more knowledge and do better on exams," said Bob Roth, the Lynch foundation's vice president. "Also, the child is happier."

But an information meeting for Terra Linda parents about the program last week

High school students are held back from learning Transcendental Meditation in class

turned chaotic, with one parent rushing the stage to denounce TM as a cult.

Others said they felt TM was too close to a religion and therefore should not be promoted as a student activity, leading a conservative legal organization to consider suing the school for violating the separation of church and state.

Alternative forms of spiritual expression are nothing new in Marin, just across the Golden Gate Bridge from San Francisco. Flower children of the 1960s flocked to the county's coastal bluffs and rolling hills after they decided to settle down and raise families.

In more recent years, Marin County has become one of the most affluent in the country. That wealth has brought with it the kind of high-pressure academic environments common to schools in prosperous communities.

Marin's openness to nonconformity combined with its stressed-out students seeking release made Terra Linda, located in the town of San Rafael, one of the last places the Lynch Foundation expected to find resistance.

Since last year, the foundation has given more than \$3 million to fund TM programs at 20 public, private and charter schools from Detroit to Washington, D.C., without causing a stir, according to Roth.

Terra Linda Principal Carole Ramsey said interest in meditation had grown recently at the high school. A club started by a school

health instructor there last year attracted 60 students.

"I think it helps them to calm their minds so that they are able to focus," Ramsey said.

Ramsey blamed "a few individuals" for creating "an environment that has led to the withdrawal of this grant" and said the school would encourage students who remain interested in meditation to investigate alternative programs.

A federal appeals court in 1979 called TM a form of religious teaching and ruled the practice could not be taught in New Jersey public schools. The decision is often cited as a precedent in religion-in-public-schools cases.

Detractors who say TM has religious overtones usually point to an initiation ceremony where teachers invoke Hindu deities. But practitioners describe TM as a relaxation technique used by 6 million Americans of every religious persuasion.

Whether TM is religious or not, state education officials said that religion clubs are allowed in California public schools under certain conditions.

"You can have a religious club on campus as long as its student-run and there's no church affiliation," said Pam Slater, a spokeswoman for the California Department of Education.

Ramsey said the Terra Linda TM club would have met those criteria. Students would meditate twice a day — once before

school, and once after school — and not during school hours, and participation was voluntary, she said. Religious clubs, including a Christian club, have existed at the school without stirring debate, she said.

Sharing the chagrin of some Terra Linda parents over the TM club was the Pacific Justice Institute, a nonprofit legal group that often advocates for religion to play a greater role in public life. In this case, though, the group threatened to sue the high school over church-state boundaries.

"If it's religious in nature and it involves faculty, then you would have a problem," said Kevin Snider, chief counsel for the institute.

Still, some parents said they fully supported TM at Terra Linda, as did their kids.

Nina Rush, 15, a soccer-playing sophomore at Terra Linda, said the TM club had generated a lot of buzz at the school. She said she had planned to sign up along with many of her friends.

"It would be such a nice thing for me to clear my mind. Because I realized I'm always thinking about my assignments, and school and work and grades," she said. "I could have really benefited from this program. And I know a lot of my friends could have benefited from it, too."

Rush's mother, Suzanne Rush of San Rafael, agreed.

"I work with kids every day that are stressed out," said Rush, who tutors elementary school students. "If I can offer our kids something to help them de-stress and work up to their potential, then that's what we want."

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Consul says Mexicans were wrongly left out

BY PETER PRENGAMAN
Associated Press Writer

LOS ANGELES — Mexican immigrants have been wrongly excluded from the immigration reform debate, and building more fences along the U.S.-Mexico border could exacerbate migration problems, said Ruben Beltran, Mexico's consul general for Los Angeles.

During an interview Wednesday, Beltran blamed the exclusion in part on vocal anti-illegal immigration groups like the Minutemen, but argued most Americans don't share their views. He also said Mexico's position on immigration reform had been unfairly portrayed.

"Our position has been labeled as only rooting for a solution that involves the A-word," or amnesty for undocumented immigrants, said Beltran. "Which frankly, I don't find to be the case."

The diplomat said a "true solution" to the immigration problem would include increased Mexican border security, foreign investment to create more jobs in Mexico and an expansion of guest-worker programs to allow Mexicans to work temporarily in the U.S.

With an estimated 3.5 million people of Mexican descent, Los Angeles County is home to America's largest Mexican population, according to the U.S. Census.

The national pro-immigrant movement was born here, bringing hundreds of thousands to the streets last spring demanding

amnesty for more than 11 million illegal immigrants.

The U.S. Senate passed a bill earlier this year that would have combined enhanced border security with a path to citizenship for many illegal immigrants, but it ultimately died because of a lack of consensus in the House of Representatives.

Earlier this month, President Bush signed the Secure Fence Act, which will add 700 miles of fence along the U.S.-Mexico border.

Beltran called the act a "fractured" response, saying it could ultimately cause more problems than it solves.

"Are we going to favor organized crime that is preying on immigrants?" said Beltran, expressing views similar to the Mexican government's.

He added that making illegal border crossings more dangerous could also increase the number of people who die trying to navigate miles of hot, barren desert.

"And instead of having 300 deaths a year (in the desert), are we now going to have 600 deaths?" he asked.

Beltran said he hoped Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger would "go deeper in his relationship with Mexico and Mexican immigrants."

Schwarzenegger was criticized by Democratic opponent Phil Angelides earlier this month when the governor said it was difficult for Mexicans to assimilate because of the proximity to their home country. Schwarzenegger has talked about assimilation in the past.

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The Center gets a lift

Turning 40 in Southern California often leads to the inevitable face-lift. Downtown's landmark AT&T Center is no exception.

The somewhat dated 35-story AT&T Center, once known as the Transamerica Tower, is among other downtown buildings getting "re-skinned" as owners freshen up high-rises during the area's office boom.

The AT&T Center's 1960s-era square metal cladding is being replaced with a 21st century translucent metal skin.

"It was tired and outdated and a little run-down. It just didn't have a positive image in the marketplace," said Steve Briggs, a principal partner at LBA Realty.

In Hollywood, the 6565 Sunset Building was re-clad in titanium-blue reflective glass. Downtown, a face-lift of 811 Wilshire replaced the small blue tiles that covered the mid-'60s skyscraper with more than 1,100 aluminum and stainless-steel panels.

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Extreme change for paralyzed officer

ABC-TV's "Extreme Makeover: Home Edition" and community volunteers built a new wheelchair-accessible home for paralyzed police Officer Kristina Ripatti.

She smiled and wiped away tears Wednesday when a bomb squad truck that had been blocking her view pulled away and thousands — including hundreds of police officers and Chief William Bratton — cheered the big reveal.

The show will be broadcast Nov. 26.

Ripatti was shot and paralyzed from the chest down while chasing a robbery suspect in June. The tiny home she shared with husband Tim Pearce, also an LAPD officer, and their toddler daughter wasn't wheelchair friendly.

On Oct. 11, the ABC crew told the couple they were leaving on a Mexican vacation. The 850-square-foot, two-story tract house was razed and it was replaced in just a week with a 3,200-square-foot home.

COVINA

Medical marijuana licenses revoked

The business licenses of three medical marijuana dispensaries were revoked by the City Council.

United Caregivers Group Inc., So Cal Consultants and Legal Ease Inc. all received business licenses to operate in the city earlier this year. But city officials said they didn't fully disclose their intentions.

"They signed under penalty of perjury that they would uphold all local, state or federal laws. The bottom line is that they promised to do that, and they didn't," city spokeswoman Bobbi Kemp said.

The council voted to revoke the licenses Tuesday night.

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Candidate denies sending letter to voters

BY PETER PRENGAMAN

Associated Press Writer

LOS ANGELES — A Republican congressional candidate said Thursday that he was not personally involved in sending a letter warning Hispanic immigrants they could go to jail or be deported if they vote next month, a mailing that prompted a state investigation.

"I did not do this. I did not approve of any letter," Tan D. Nguyen, the GOP challenger to Democratic U.S. Rep. Loretta Sanchez, told The Associated Press.

The investigation is focused on Nguyen's campaign, according to a law enforcement official who spoke on condition of anonymity because he is not authorized to publicly discuss it. The Los Angeles Times and The Orange County Register also indicated the Nguyen's campaign was the target.

Nguyen said he believed an employee in his office might have used his voter data base to send out the letter without his knowledge. He said that employee has been "discharged."

The letter, written in Spanish and mailed last week to an estimated 14,000 Democratic voters in central Orange County, tells recipients: "You are advised that if your residence in this country is illegal or you are an immi-

grant, voting in a federal election is a crime that could result in jail time."

In fact, immigrants who are naturalized U.S. citizens can legally vote.

It is illegal to threaten or intimidate voters, though, and the complaints about the letters that began surfacing this week prompted state and federal investigations.

"I will do whatever I can do to encourage all citizens in this district to vote," Nguyen said. He said he was cooperating with authorities and promised more details of what happened during a news conference Friday.

In an interview Thursday morning, Sanchez told the AP she had never spoken to Nguyen because her campaign didn't see him as a threat to her re-election.

She said she didn't know who did it, but if it was Nguyen, it was especially troubling that the culprit might have been an immigrant. Nguyen immigrated to the U.S. from Vietnam as a child. His campaign Web site says he opposes illegal immigration.

"If it is in fact this guy, the most disgusting and saddest thing about it is that it comes from another immigrant," said Sanchez, who was born in the U.S. to Mexican parents. "These communities have spent years trying to get naturalized immi-

grants to vote."

The owner of Huntington Beach-based Mailing Pros, Christopher West, told The Orange County Register that he was hired to do the mailings but didn't know what they said and didn't know any laws were being broken when the mailer was sent. He said he gave investigators the name of the person who hired him.

"I'm the one that processed it, and I don't read Spanish," West said. "Until the investigator read it to me, I didn't know the content."

Scott Baugh, chairman of the Orange County Republican Party, condemned the letter as "an obnoxious, grotesque piece of work."

"Regardless of who did it — Republican or Democrat — if it's a crime, then whoever did it should be prosecuted," Baugh said.

The note's letterhead resembles that of an anti-illegal immigration group, California Coalition for Immigration Reform, but group leader Barbara Coe said she told investigators for the attorney general's office Wednesday that her group didn't authorize the letter and she didn't know who sent it.

"The letterhead was altered and I've never head of any Sergio Ramirez," the name signed to the letter, Coe said.

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LONG BEACH

Diving on duty

Three policemen who blew the whistle on fellow port officers who dived for lobsters while on duty filed a lawsuit alleging retaliation for exposing the so-called "Lobstergate" scandal.

The illegal dives three years ago led to transfers and letters of reprimand for at least four Long Beach police officers.

In a Superior Court suit, Officer Craig Patterson, Officer Warren Harris and Sgt. David Gage claimed they were harassed "for disclosing and testifying truthfully about the illegal conduct of the officers."

The suit said plaintiffs, who were working for the Police Department's Port Security Unit, were labeled "snitches" and "malcontents" and they were told to carry their firearms while off duty, implying their lives were in danger.

They were also refused transfers, issued lower than normal evaluations and denied promotions, among other things, the suit said.

The plaintiffs said the retaliation came after they reported that a group of their fellow officers had used the police boat to dive for lobsters in the Port of Long Beach.

Deputy Police Chief Tim Jackman said he could not discuss the lawsuit.

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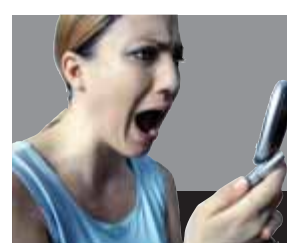
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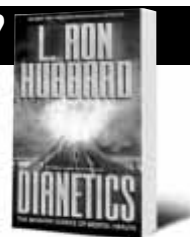
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More than just a tourist spot, Chinatown remains a home

BY JULIANA BARBASSA

Associated Press Writer

SAN FRANCISCO — Passengers pour from a crowded bus onto a Chinatown sidewalk. The thin frame of a teenage boy is jostled like a rag doll by women with babies, school kids with backpacks, elderly shoppers picking through bins of flopping fish, and tourists looking for bargains among the plastic Buddhas.

A crowd of teens gathered in the dark basement of the Chinese Historical Society on a Friday night bursts into laughter as the familiar scene from their daily lives plays out on video. They made the short movie to reflect their impressions of a neighborhood that is much more to them than dim sum and souvenir shops.

Chinese-American teens in San Francisco have a complicated relationship with the biggest of the nation's many Chinatowns.

On the one hand, it's a place of comfort and familiarity. But the noise, crowds and smells wafting from open-air produce stands selling dried mushrooms or fresh herbs can seem old-fashioned to a generation hooked on iPods and YouTube, and chaotic compared to the suburbs where some now live.

Yet whether they live in the densely packed blocks or visit regularly to find a physical connection to their culture, history and friends with similar backgrounds, Chinatown still is home to the teens who cherish what it represents even as they make fun of it on film.

"Universally, kids will seek a place of comfort," says Ben Wong, director of the Chinatown Beacon Center, a community organization that offers education and leadership programs for youth. "They naturally connect based on ethnicity, language, socioeconomic status. If they leave, they come back. It's a place of connection."

For more than 150 years, the neighborhood has sheltered immigrants. It's one of San Francisco's biggest tourist draws, but still offers a first toehold, a network of support and the reassurance of familiar languages and customs to new arrivals.

This is what sets it apart from other ethnic neighborhoods that within decades can go from a dynamic community to little more than a collection of restaurants and quaint signs. The Chinese have been a part of San Francisco from the city's inception, and the neighborhood is a physical reminder of those roots. It has become a tourist attraction, but visitors have to compete for sidewalk space with recent immigrants looking for spices or foods they can't find anywhere else.

"I couldn't really leave this place," says Tony Liu, a 16-year-old high school senior who has lived in Chinatown since he moved there in the 1980s. "I'd miss being around other people who are Chinese."

The young people who live and congregate here confront the same challenges faced by inner-city youth of all backgrounds: difficulty accessing good health care, a quality education, tight quarters. In hotels where one room can house a whole family, there's a lack of recreational opportunities and spaces kids can consider their own, said Jan Lin, a professor at Occidental College and author of "Reconstructing Chinatown: Ethnic Enclave, Global Change."

There are drawbacks, but there is also a sense of community that draws teenagers like Vinson Chen, 17, who helps his parents run a general store in Chinatown although he lives across town in the comparatively tidy and spacious Sunset district.

"We speak the same language, have the same roots," he said.

Authorities: SoCal couple ripped off elderly of nearly 100 homes

BY ANDREW GLAZER

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LOS ANGELES — Longtime neighbors of Richard Dee were surprised when a mysterious couple filled trash bins with his belongings and surrounded his home with a chain link fence.

Even the prized 1967 Ford Mustang of the 76-year-old man disappeared. Before long, the tiny handprints Dee had pressed into cement outside the doorstep when he was 6 were the only evidence his family had lived there for so many years.

The couple told neighbors that Dee had died and they were the new owners of the home.

Dee, a retired researcher for an insurance company, was actually quite alive — recovering from a stomach illness in a nursing home.

Authorities arrested Jesus Duran Aguayo and his wife Sofia, both 52, of Monterey Park on Wednesday for investigation of defrauding elderly and sick home owners of \$5 million by illegally taking possession and renting about 100 homes.

They were each being held in lieu of \$1.4 million bail following a yearlong state investigation.

The Aguayos will each be charged with 20 felony counts, including grand theft, burglary, forgery and elder abuse, said Tom Dresslar, a spokesman for Attorney General

Bill Lockyer. If convicted of all the counts, they could each face about 20 years in prison.

Jesus Aguayo, a licensed real estate broker, and his wife, a licensed real estate agent, trolled for unoccupied homes with delinquent property taxes, paid off the debts and filed bogus quit claim deeds to seize control of the property, authorities said.

The Aguayos are also suspected of clearing possessions from the homes and producing fake documents when questioned, according to the attorney general's office.

Their lawyers could not immediately be reached for comment.

Dee said he forgot to pay property taxes after he was hospitalized in 2003 then transferred to a nursing home.

He said the Aguayos came to the nursing home a month later, saying they had paid off his taxes and demanding compensation. They also pushed for him to sell them the home but he refused, Dee said.

Oil paintings by Dee's mother, family photos and furniture were discarded while the home was cleared, neighbors said.

"I've lived there almost my whole life, my parents lived there, and we were all honest hard-working people," Dee said. "It was very disturbing to find out they had taken all this from me."

Dee regained possession of his home last year with legal help, though he remains in a nursing home while his roof is repaired. He has no hope of recovering other belongings.

Researcher: Climate change could bring more rain to Northwest

BY DONNA GORDON BLANKINSHIP

Associated Press Writer

SEATTLE — A climate researcher at the University of Washington says Pacific Northwest winters will be getting more gray and rainy over the next 50 to 100 years, due to a low-pressure system near the Aleutian Islands that is moving farther to the north and east.

Eric Slathe said weather that far in the future may not seem relevant to the average person, but the storms brought on by climate change will affect everyone paying for or designing a new bridge or roadway today.

Weather systems near the Aleutian Islands affect rain patterns in western Oregon, Washington, British Columbia and Alaska because the path of storms along the jetstream is affected by what happens in and above the Pacific Ocean, Slathe explained.

"The whole storm system in the north Pacific is tracking northward," but that's just half of the story, Slathe said. "Even though the storms are moving northward, they are becoming more intense."

He predicted a 5 percent to 15 percent increase in Washington and Oregon rain and a 10 percent to 20 percent increase in Alaska rain 50 to 100 years from now. The storms will be both more intense and more frequent, leading to more flooding, more water flow in rivers and erosion of salmon habitat.

"The problem is it's more water, but more water at the wrong time. We already have plenty of water in November," Slathe said.

When asked if this forecast could be good news for skiers, the researcher said it probably wouldn't be helpful to anyone but engineers and planners. Lower-elevation ski

areas could see more rain than snow in future seasons because of a combination of global warming and increased precipitation, he said.

People who design infrastructures like bridges and stormwater systems with underground pipes or culverts depend on information like Slathe's report, which was published Oct. 13 in the online edition of the journal Geophysical Research Letters.

"Often they plan these things based on what we've seen in the recent past. The future isn't going to look like the past," Slathe said. "The best thing is to factor in a little bit more margin of safety."

Slathe said computer technology improvements in the last five years have made this kind of precise climate predicting possible. His team of researchers, part of the university's Joint Institute for the Study of the Atmosphere and Oceans, took data gathered by other scientists around the world and analyzed it for the Pacific Northwest. The study was paid for by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.

He said the Pacific Northwest's climate could eventually be modified if people act to halt or slow global warming and climate change, but previous policies and actions have already decided what will happen in the next 50 years.

"If we stabilized emissions, these scenarios have much less of an impact on the later half of the century," Slathe said, suggesting people drive less, use more efficient vehicles and influence developing economies like China to be more energy efficient than the United States has been. "The worst parts are still up to us."

California presents long-awaited options for saving the Salton Sea

BY CHRISTINA ALMEIDA

Associated Press Writer

LOS ANGELES — After two years of often intense debate and research, state officials have finished an environmental report providing 10 alternatives to help save the Salton Sea, California's largest lake.

The report, scheduled to be released Thursday, outlines various solutions to increasing salinity levels, dropping water levels and threats to critical habitat areas, according to an executive summary obtained by The Associated Press. The lake is a critical North American habitat for migrating birds.

"All of us are relieved," said Dale Hoffman-Floerke, chief of the Colorado River and Salton Sea office for the Department of Water Resources, which prepared the report along with the Department of Fish and Game. "This has definitely been

work over a long period of time."

The alternatives include various levels of new infrastructure with construction costs ranging from \$2.3 billion to \$5.9 billion in today's dollars. All the alternatives feature a reduced lake, various levels of habitat protection and air quality management, said Hoffman-Floerke.

"We don't have all the answers. There is still a lot of uncertainty out there as far as water quality issues, but I think we've done a pretty good job ... with the information we have," she said.

The state will now enter a 90-day public comment period before they will have to submit a "preferred alternative" to the state Legislature. Since the report was finished later than expected, state officials will miss by about two weeks the Dec. 31, 2006, deadline for the alternative imposed by the Legislature, Hoffman-Floerke said.

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Job cuts at weapons lab has town of Los Alamos on edge

BY DEBORAH BAKER

Associated Press Writer

LOS ALAMOS, N.M. — With job cuts looming at the nuclear weapons lab that is this town's bread and butter, even the German shepherd on a flier tacked to a bulletin board is looking anxious.

"Due to cutbacks at the LANS, my family has to move. ... as much as they want to, they can't take me with them," it says.

The pooch's plea: A loving family willing to play fetch.

The recent announcement by Los Alamos National Security LLC, the lab's new operator, that hundreds of contractors' positions must be cut because of budget problems has the town on edge.

"We've all been on a bit of a roller coaster here," motel owner John Smallwood told the lab's deputy director, John Mitchell, at a Chamber of Commerce business breakfast last week.

"Los Alamos is a company town and whether we like it or not, this company, this board of directors, is making decisions for us," said Smallwood, who relies on contractors to fill his motel rooms.

The number of cuts is not yet clear. Los Alamos National Laboratory officials say it's likely to be at least 350 over the next year — 10 percent of the contractor work force — and could reach 600.

Business owners say layoffs already have started, fueled by lab edict and by the uncertainties surrounding the switch in management in June from the University of California to a for-profit group that includes Bechtel Corp. and UC.

"It's not just a California college any more. That changes everything," said a consultant who just lost his contracting job and asked not to be identified. "The lab is now run on a for-profit basis by a company that knows how to do big business."

A handful of contractors contacted by The Associated Press said they feared retaliation if they complained publicly about the cuts.

One of them, who does safety-related work, said when LANS took over in June

he had 26 employees; now there are 10. As of the end of December he won't have any work from the lab, he said.

In late June, at a regular weekly meeting with the lab to discuss a contract that employed five people, the firm was told it had been canceled, he said.

"They sent five people home that day ... with absolutely zero warning," the contractor complained.

The lab has about 600 contracts to provide everything from paper clips to engineering services. There are roughly 3,000 contract workers; another 8,300 full-time employees work directly for the lab, and the new management says it doesn't plan to cut any of those jobs.

LANL is a huge economic force in largely rural northern New Mexico. About half its work force lives in Los Alamos, while the others commute from the scattered communities at the bottom of "the hill," as the mesa-top lab site is called.

While rumors had been swirling around for months, some business owners said they were taken aback by the sudden announcement in late September that 600 jobs could be at stake.

LANS should have warned the community such cuts were coming, even if the numbers weren't yet firm, critics say.

"I think it's gotten off on a bad foot," said U.S. Rep. Tom Udall, a Democrat who represents northern New Mexico. He says the Department of Energy and the National Nuclear Security Administration should have planned better and created more of a budget cushion for the lab's new operator.

LANS faces a shortfall for the budget year that began Oct. 1 of about \$176 million. That's because it's more expensive for the new operator to run the lab, while the facility's roughly \$2 billion budget — not yet finalized by Congress — is expected to remain flat.

The new costs: \$55 million in state gross receipts taxes, because of its for-profit status; \$71 million in new labor costs, including pension benefit changes mandated by the new contract; and a \$50 million management fee.

Dropping the drunken skiing bill

BY BROCK VERGAKIS

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SALT LAKE CITY — Drunken skiers may be thrown out of a ski resort, but they won't have to worry about being thrown into jail. A state lawmaker is dropping a bill that would have made skiing under the influence a crime.

Rep. Mike Morley, R-Spanish Fork, said ski resorts have addressed his concerns about ensuring visibly drunk skiers and open containers aren't allowed on ski lifts.

"I just felt that the industry was handling that well," Morley said. "They assured those of us concerned with that issue they're going to take affirmative steps on their part."

Most Utah ski resorts sell alcohol.

Morley said the steps include providing additional training for ski lift operators, prohibiting open containers of alcohol and prohibiting anyone impaired by alcohol consumption from using the ski slopes.

Dangerous and reckless skiers or snowboarders can already have their ski passes confiscated by ski patrol members or lift operators.

Morley had received a complaint from a

constituent that he had ridden on a ski lift last winter next to a man who was drunk and drinking from an open container. The constituent complained to the hill operator and the manager of the resort. Ultimately, he complained to Morley.

"In enforcing the no-open-container rule and watching for impaired skiers, that should handle the situation probably better than what (lawmakers) could do," he said.

Morley said it's already a crime if a drunken skier injures someone. He said he hadn't gotten as far as deciding what would have been the blood-alcohol threshold for charges under the bill.

Nathan Rafferty, Ski Utah president, said drunken skiing isn't a big problem on the state's slopes.

"We really don't see it a lot. That's why it kind of surprised us," he said.

All Utah resorts say they operate under the American National Standard for Safety guidelines, which calls for operators to deny anyone access to a lift if they feel they are a danger to their guests.

Rafferty said the ski industry always welcomes new ways to improve safety.

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Alaska Natives will attend convention

BY MARY PEMBERTON

Associated Press Writer

ANCHORAGE, Alaska — The keynote speaker at this year's Alaska Federation of Natives Convention has a tough love message for fellow Alaska Natives: Take responsibility for your own lives.

"We can't wait for the government or these other agencies to fix these problems. We have to do it for ourselves," said Katherine Gottlieb, president and CEO of Southcentral Foundation, an Alaska Native nonprofit health corporation. "If we get together today we can face the threats we have today and overcome them."

That is the message Gottlieb will bring to this year's AFN convention, the largest annual gathering of Alaska Natives in the state. The convention, which runs from Monday through Saturday, is expected to bring between 4,000 and 5,000 people to Anchorage. This year's theme is "Building Safety, Security and Self-Sufficiency in our Native Communities."

Gottlieb, who is of Aleut descent, said she had intended to talk about the threat of bird flu, but decided instead to address other health threats, among those obesity, diabetes, cancer, smoking and domestic violence.

"Those are the immediate threats we are facing today that are killing our children and killing our people," she said.

Alaska has 231 federally recognized

tribes. Its population is about 20 percent Alaska Native or American Indian.

"This is an event that brings people from every corner of the state," said Roy Agloinga, rural affairs coordinator for Mayor Mark Begich. "There are delegates that will be coming from every single village in the state."

The annual convention is Anchorage's largest, Agloinga said. So large, in fact, it has outgrown available convention space, forcing exhibitors and vendors of Native arts and crafts to share display tables. A new, larger convention center is expected to be completed by 2008.

Anchorage is preparing a warm welcome. The thousands of AFN delegates have an estimated economic impact of more than \$4 million for the weeklong convention, which features Native dancers and a large arts and crafts show.

The convention has been held nearly every year in Anchorage since it began in 1966 but lost out to Fairbanks last year. It was moved back to Anchorage because this is an election year and it likely will draw even more people.

Over 200 volunteers will be on hand to greet delegates arriving at the airport and the convention center. Businesses also are being encouraged to hang welcome banners and offer AFN delegates discounts. Limousines are being donated to shuttle delegates from the downtown to various shopping venues.

Two hunters missing in the Colorado Rockies found safe

BY DAN ELLIOTT

Associated Press Writer

DENVER — The second of two hunters to get lost in the woods in separate incidents this week as snow fell across the Colorado Rockies has been found safe.

Darrel Levingston of Routt County Search and Rescue said 54-year-old William Porter walked out of the woods Wednesday night, contacting people at a lodge in neighboring Moffat County.

Levingston said authorities got a call from Porter on a borrowed cell phone about 8:45 p.m. and called off their search.

About 45 rescuers on foot, horseback, helicopter and fixed wing airplane looked for Porter Wednesday in rugged country about 115 miles northwest of Denver.

In an unrelated search effort, 68-year-old Roger Debenham of Drake, was found earlier Wednesday about 120 miles west of Denver after getting lost the day before. Karen Debenham said she had spoken to her husband and he was "as best as can be expected. He's tired, cold and hungry."

Sheriff Lou Vallario, of Garfield County where Debenham got lost, said searchers had contacted him by two-way radio. "He was fine," Vallario said.

Debenham survived a night in the woods by building a bed and a blanket out of pine branches, sheriff's spokeswoman Tanny McGinnis said.

"He tried building a fire but everything was too wet," she said.

Levingston said Wednesday he didn't know what steps Porter took to get through two nights in the wilderness, but said Porter

is an experienced woodsman and apparently walked for miles.

Authorities said Porter lives near Strasburg, east of Denver, and had been hunting with three other people. On Monday, Porter had gone ahead of the others to retrieve an elk he had shot the day before, but when the others arrived he wasn't there, Levingston said.

"When he left, it was raining and it turned to snow," Levingston said. "The snow came down pretty fast and heavy, and he did get pretty disoriented."

Porter's companions looked for him all day Monday and at one point found his tracks, but he appeared to have turned away about halfway to the spot where the elk lay. Falling snow obscured his tracks after that, Levingston said.

"We're not sure what would have attracted him to go that way," he said.

Levingston said finding your way in the woods is difficult, and once a person realizes he is lost, it's generally best to stay in one place so rescue teams can zero in on an area.

This week's storm dropped 14 inches of snow in Black Hawk, about 25 miles west of Denver, while other areas reported from 2 to 13.5 inches. The Loveland ski area reported 8 inches of new snow while Arapahoe Basin reported 6 inches. Snowmass, near Aspen, reported 16 inches of new snow.

The early blast of winter slowed traffic across much of the state. A two-car collision on icy roads Wednesday killed a woman and injured a 3-year-old boy in her car near Greeley.

Sections of some highways were shut down Tuesday because of the weather, but all had reopened by Wednesday.

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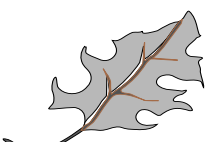
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Hawaii quake damages 13 advanced telescopes

BY AUDREY MCAVOY

Associated Press Writer

HONOLULU — The massive jolt that rocked Hawaii damaged some of the world's most advanced equipment for gazing into outer space.

Scientists at many of the 13 telescopes atop Mauna Kea, a dormant volcano on the Big Island, are still examining their implements to gauge the extent of the problems. Many have suspended their celestial observations to inspect equipment for flaws.

Christian Veillet, executive director of the Canada-France-Hawaii Telescope, said an encoder — a device enabling astronomers to keep track of what part of the sky they are looking at — had a chunk taken out of it when Sunday's magnitude 6.7 earthquake lifted his telescope up and down.

"That device has been smashed and crushed by the telescope at the time of the main shake," Veillet said. "It looks like you took some butter out of it with your knife, and it's really solid steel we are talking about."

Veillet said his crew is rebuilding an encoder assembly with spare parts. At the earliest, Veillet said his telescope would be operational again at the end of the week.

The Canada-France-Hawaii telescope's mirror and all of its optics emerge unscathed. Its digital camera — the biggest in the world — was also fine, he said.

Still, his team hasn't finished checking for damage and it's too early to say to what extent the telescope was affected by the quake, Veillet said.

Mauna Kea's ideal conditions for observing space have attracted some of the most technologically advanced telescopes on the planet to its slopes.

The mountain's 13,796-foot elevation gives the telescopes a clearer picture by lifting them above a great deal of weather. Mauna Kea's location in the middle of the Pacific Ocean also offers clear air because there are no nearby mountain ranges to disrupt the atmosphere.

Two of the more famous telescopes on the peak, at the W.M. Keck Observatory, also

took hits in the jolt, the most powerful to strike Hawaii in 20 years.

The Keck telescopes' mirrors and optics are fine, but the radial pads and brakes that support the 300-ton structures on their mounts must be removed and replaced, said Laura Kinoshita, an observatory spokeswoman.

She said inspection showed the telescopes came down on the radial pads and brakes with about 100,000 pounds of force during Sunday's temblor.

Once these are replaced, the Keck's engineers will have to recalibrate both telescopes to account for the seismic shifts that moved the Keck I telescope more than 1/8 inch and the Keck II telescope more than one inch, Kinoshita said.

That's because the observatory relies on software to tell instruments where in the sky the telescope is pointed, based on the telescope's previous location.

"In astronomy, even a movement by a few nanometers makes a significant impact on the accuracy of our systems," Kinoshita said. "So we need to update our systems to factor in the new position of the telescope."

Like many of the telescopes on Mauna Kea, data obtained through the Keck's telescopes — the largest fully functional optical telescopes in the world — have significantly advanced astronomy.

Scientists using the Keck telescopes found a majority of known planets orbiting stars other than our sun. They also proved there is a black hole in the middle of our Milky Way Galaxy.

Peter Michaud, a spokesman for the Gemini Observatory, said his facility's biggest problem was testing the equipment to make sure the telescope survived the quake OK. Some have compared the task to setting up a new telescope. So far, though, the Gemini Northern Telescope appeared to have no problems, he said.

The NASA Infrared Telescope Facility also appears to be in good shape. Allen Tokunaga, its director, said his astronomers were able to operate their telescope normally when they tried it Tuesday.

Earthquake is a reminder of Hawaii's isolation, fragility

BY GILLIAN FLACCUS

Associated Press Writer

VOLCANO, Hawaii — The earthquake that rattled Hawaii last weekend was a sharp reminder of the vulnerability and isolation of this island state, a volcanic hotbed separated from the rest of the world by thousands of miles of open ocean.

The 6.7-magnitude temblor on Oct. 15 caused relatively little damage and no fatalities. Yet it left those living in the shadows of two of the world's most active volcanoes to marvel at how lucky they were — and how bad things could have been.

"We've had a lot of disasters on this island, but this thing topped it all," said Michelle Alcain, 26, as she took a cigarette break outside Daylight Donuts in Kailua-Kona. "If there's a major disaster, we're stuck here. There's only one way in and one way out."

Those living on Hawaii's Big Island, the largest and southernmost island in the Hawaiian chain, are accustomed to their

isle's violent growing pains. The 4,000-square-mile island is home to five volcanoes, including two — Kilauea and Mauna Loa — that are among the most active in the world.

Longtime residents mark time by the island's spasms: volcanic eruptions that have wiped out entire communities and a dozen earthquakes of magnitude 6.0 or greater in the past half-century alone. Last week's quake, however, was the first jolt of such size on the island in 17 years.

"You want to talk about devastation, this earthquake was a scratch on the back," said Hawaii County Mayor Harry Kim. "This is our history and unfortunately, part of that history is the loss of lots of lives."

The Oct. 15 quake, mild by Hawaiian standards, isolated the Big Island for hours when Honolulu International Airport closed to outbound flights and prevented aid workers from immediately flying to the areas closest to the epicenter. It also ravaged much of Kawaihae Harbor, one of two ports that take in a stream of barges that serve as the Big Island's lifeline to the outside world.



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Celebs snapped doing daily tasks

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parties at their "Gold Coast" estate.

With chic shopping districts such as Montana Avenue, and a host of popular restaurants, seaside hotels and spas, celebrities flock to Santa Monica, and in turn, so do the paparazzi, "or stalkerazzi" as George Clooney calls them.

Turn to any tabloid at a local supermarket and one is almost guaranteed to find at least one picture of a pop culture icon going about their business within the city limits — be it "Spider-man" Tobey Maguire and his pregnant fiancée Jennifer Meyer leaving a local doctor's office last month, or Heather Locklear walking into the Buffalo Club for rumored lover David Spade's birthday party.

You name the celeb, and chances are they've been spotted — and photographed — in Santa Monica.

"Santa Monica is definitely a place where celebs like to flock. There's no doubt about it," said Frank Griffin, a photographer for the last 35 years and co-creator of one of the largest firms in the star-snapping business, Bauer-Griffin.Com.

"Britney Spears likes to hang out at the Fairmont (Miramar Hotel)," Griffin said. "She had her baby at St. John's Hospital. A lot hang out at Casa Del Mar or Shutters — that's where Russell Crowe was caught ... with Meg Ryan, dancing cheek-to-cheek on the Third Street Promenade before going to The Discovery Store and then sipping on some coffee at Starbucks.

"Santa Monica, and particularly Montana Avenue, is one of the few places where celebrities actually get out and walk on the street."

SNAP!

BRAD PITT IS CAUGHT EATING A BURGER OUTSIDE OF THE COUNTER RESTAURANT IN SUNSET PARK.

As the competition grows, the tactics used by paparazzi have become increasingly intense, intrusive, and oftentimes, dangerous. Stories about crazed photogs chasing after celebrities on crowded commercial streets have made headlines and forced lawmakers to pass new laws.

However, that has done little to stop a passionate photographer looking for that one shot that could bring in hundreds of thousands of dollars.

In Santa Monica, police try to be vigilant, but there is little an officer can do unless a photographer breaks the law.

"We get calls from major celebrities regarding the paparazzi and our role is to make sure that laws aren't violated," said former SMPD Police Chief James T. Butts. "But someone has the right to be where they are unless they are doing dangerous things, like a vehicle blocking another vehicle, personally blocking someone's path. Unless they are doing something illegal, and if they are in a public place, there is very little police intervention."

Butts said the biggest transgression committed by aggressive paparazzi is when they impede a star's path, using their SUVs to create barriers, preventing celebs from escaping so they can take a picture.

"We arrested one who cut off the wife and children of a very major celebrity on the north end of town," Butts said.

It seems everyone has a story.

Bob Trimborn, acting director of the Santa Monica Municipal Airport, where celebrities like Harrison Ford, Ed Norton and Angelina Jolie park their planes, said several years ago a group of crazed paparazzi drove onto the runway and chased a celebrity during take-off.

"They spent some nights in the gray bar motel for that stunt," Trimborn said. "We've had another photographer who broke into a fixed-based operator to get pictures ... We've beefed-up security so that won't happen again."

Over at Chase, a hair salon on Wilshire Boulevard near Second Street, co-owner and stylist to the stars Lyola Torres said paparazzi are constantly seen in the area and occasionally stop by to offer their business cards hoping to get tipped off when a celebrity comes in for a trim.

"We would never call them. We don't want to scare our clients away," Torres said. "Just recently, we had a celebrity here — I don't want to say who he is — who came in for a haircut, and we had some guys taking pictures through the window. He asked us if we could tell them to leave. We did, but they were kind of rude about it and refused. So we moved the client to the other side of the salon.

"It's annoying with all the flashes going off," Torres said. "Most of the big celebrities don't come into the salon. We do house calls or hotel calls depending and who and where they are."



File photo

WAITING GAME: Paparazzi wait armed with cameras for celebs.

SNAP!

JENNIFER GARNER IS CAUGHT SMILING WHILE WAITING FOR A RIDE OUTSIDE OF CASA DEL MAR.

Many businesses follow a certain protocol when celebs visit, letting them slip in and out through a back door or pulling down the shades to block the prying eyes of paparazzi.

At Houston's Restaurant, a popular spot where Spears' hubby Kevin Federline held his bachelor party and Brad Pitt often stops for burgers, General Manager Chris Collins makes it a priority to ensure that all guests are allowed to relax while they dine, and that includes keeping the paparazzi out.

"We have a very controlled environment," Collins said. "We have a valet that is right by the side door so celebrities can slip in easily without being seen. We also have an upstairs area that is very private, where they can eat without having to worry about being bothered. We have had some paparazzi try to snap some pictures through the blinds, but we just close them."

At Michael's in downtown, celebrities are allowed to enter through the back while paparazzi often hide in bushes.

SNAP!

OPRAH WINFREY IS CAUGHT WITH AN ARMFUL OF CHRISTMAS GIFTS FROM ROOM WITH A VIEW ON MONTANA AVENUE.

The intensity to which paparazzi perform is legendary. At red carpet events, they have been known to scream and be so demanding that stars will run with fear. On the street, it's no different. Stars have been seen running from packs of paparazzi only to find themselves boxed in when they reach their Porsches. That can be detrimental to businesses.

"As soon as the celebrities see (the paparazzi) they jump in their cars and leave. I'm sick of it," said Kandi King, the manager of Ames, a popular female clothing boutique on Montana Avenue, where celebrities like Priscilla Presley and Reese Witherspoon shop for one-of-a-kind fashions.

Witherspoon sued an aggressive photographer in September 2005 for assault after he allegedly pushed a child out of the way while hitting another with his camera in efforts to snag a picture of the actress with her daughter Ava.

"Paparazzi have really chased stars out of the area," King said of the popular shopping district. "We all know (stars) have a lot of money to spend and we'd like them to spend it with us, but as soon as the paparazzi show up, they head out. We need to get it under control."

King said she keeps the number to the SMPD close at hand to chase the photogs away.

One such photographer is Frank Rhomer, creator of X17.com, a major photography agency that supplies tabloids. Rhomer said he abides by all laws when out in the field and has developed a good working relationship with the SMPD.

"Santa Monica has been very fair," he said. "I haven't had any problems with them. On the contrary, Malibu is very terrible. They love to harass the photogs."

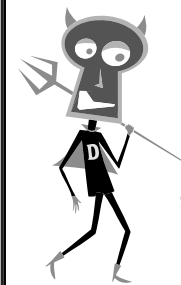
Rhomer said while retailers like Ames may complain about paparazzi, the majority love the attention and free publicity that comes with their store being mentioned in a magazine like US Weekly, Star or Globe. One store, Kitson on North Robertson Boulevard, sued US Weekly for running shots of celebs and intentionally cutting out the store's logo.

"The folks at Kitson calls us every time a celebrity comes into the store," Rhomer said. "The shops have used the paparazzi like the celebrities have. Many (stars) want to be photographed. Many TV stars need to be photographed to keep themselves in the public eye."

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Taking a dip in Drake worries students

BY KEVIN HERRERA

Daily Press Staff Writer

SAMOHI — In the latest edition of the high school's student paper, staff writer Kevin Katz calls out administrators for playing dirty pool.

The editorial in "The Samohi," published Oct. 12, didn't complain of corruption or graft by the high school's leadership, but rather the mold and mildew swimming amongst members of the student body forced to dip into Drake Pool.

Calling it "a disgrace," Katz said some students have come to despise plunging into the Olympic-size swimming pool because they fear contracting an irritating skin rash, or worse, a bacterial infection. Katz also said the pool "doubles as a trash can;" one that has attracted roaches, ants, "even mice."

"The swimmers, beyond the horrible amounts of chlorine, have to deal with practicing where ants, cockroaches, and hopefully only a few rats and mice dwell at night," Katz wrote. "Maybe it's time to look at our pool and say: 'Hey, it's time to do something about it.'"

That time has come.

This weekend, the indoor pool — located just behind the Greek Theater on campus — will be closed for cleaning and re-chlorinating, said Norm Lacy, athletic director for Samohi. Drake is expected to re-open Monday.

"I believe we are in good shape, but because of this article, we want to make sure that we are doing all we can to ensure students are safe, so we're taking aquatics out this weekend, shutting the pool down so we can super chlorinate it, kill everything that's believed to be in there and start anew," Lacy said.



Kevin Herrera/Daily Press

LAPPED: The Drake Pool is expected to re-open on Monday after a cleaning and re-chlorinating process.

Addressing water quality is one of several measures Lacy said he is taking to clean up the pool area and locker rooms. Recently, the school's locker rooms were closed for four months for mold removal. Drywall was replaced, along with damaged wood.

In addition, the school is close to signing a contract to have all air vents steam-cleaned to improve air circulation and keep mold from returning, Lacy said.

Katz' editorial comes with less than three weeks before the Nov. 7 election, when voters will be asked to approve Measure BB, a \$268 million bond that would be used to pay

for new asbestos removal, repair leaky roofs, renovate outdated classrooms, bathrooms and plumbing, along with other school infrastructure improvements.

The measure is supported by parent groups and school board members, opposed by anti-tax groups and a group of Malibu residents.

Once word of Katz' editorial spread, some parents became concerned about the health of their children. On an Internet messaging board, parents posted inquiries, wanting to learn more about Drake.

"Dear PALS, do you know about pool situation?" parent Noma Niroomand wrote. "Our kids' health is in danger. Do you know if school has any action plan to solve this problem? Let me know if you have any info."

The editorial "created a little (public relations) problem for us," Lacy said. "I want the parents and the students to know that we do have a plan and we are addressing the concerns expressed in the article."

Lacy said as soon as the editorial hit, he went to the pool to check things out. Lacy admits the situation isn't perfect, however, he found no signs that the pool is over chlorinated, nor littered with trash.

On Thursday, the water in Drake appeared clean and clear of any garbage. There were collections of brown sediment near the pool's drains, however, but nothing that warranted draining the pool completely, which Lacy said would be too costly and require a special permit from City Hall because of the school's close proximity to the ocean.

"We really don't see any need for it," Lacy said. "We're taking the proper steps to address this and we'll continue to monitor the chlorine levels."

Suit claims Baldwin was kept from renting in affluent areas

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administrative analyst in the city's Housing and Redevelopment Division, the city has provided tens of millions of dollars in funding to Community Corp. projects in Santa Monica.

The plaintiff names Community Corp. Director of Property Management Chris Mobley, Leasing and Occupancy Manager Cindy Norton and Leasing Specialist Naomi Waka as defendants in the case.

Baldwin claims that Community Corp. prevented him from renting its apartments in an affluent part of Santa Monica, and instead tried to selectively place him in a more dangerous and less desirable area.

The complaint dates back to this summer, after Baldwin became disabled due to back surgery in February, leaving him without a job and steady income.

"I knew my income would be a set amount and I wanted something more affordable until I started working again," Baldwin said on Wednesday in Svitlana Sangary's office.

Baldwin applied to be placed on a waiting list for Community Corp. apartments and heard about an opening at an apartment on 20th Street in the Pico neighborhood that reportedly had recently been publicized because of gang violence.

Community Corp. currently has approximately 2,500 households on what it calls the "marketing list" — a waiting list for apartments within the Community Corp. system. These applicants were at one time asked to fill out a questionnaire at the beginning of the year to provide information about their household income and size so that when a vacancy arises, Community Corp. could see if the apartment would meet the applicant's needs, said Community Corp. Executive Director Joan Ling.

Ling refused to comment on individual applicants for this story and said she would only speak generally.

The organization gives preference to local residents and full-time workers in Santa Monica during the process of selecting a tenant. Applicants whose landlords and employers are able to provide confirming information immediately to Community Corp. stand a better chance of landing the apartment, Ling said.

Years before, Baldwin had heard through an unnamed employee at Community Corp. that the organization selects tenants on a first-come, first-serve basis. With that in mind, Baldwin said he purposely submitted his application for the building at the deadline to ensure he would not receive the apartment in Pico.

Instead, he was kicked off the waiting list. He appealed and was placed back on.

In July, two months after he was placed back on the list, Baldwin said he received notification for a vacancy in an apartment on Second Street, right above the Community Corp. offices.

The apartment was perfect, Baldwin said, with its proximity to the mall and beach, and handicap-accessible amenities.

To ensure his application would be accepted, Baldwin arrived at 6 a.m., two hours before the open house.

"The person who was showing the place told me and a bunch of other people of color that Community Corp. didn't open until 8:30 a.m.," Baldwin said. "I knew it would open at 8 because it said so on the door."

Baldwin was the first in line and received a stamp notifying that his application was received first.

He left feeling assured he would receive the apartment and was ready to notify his landlord. A few days later, he received a call from Community Corp. asking about the absence of information on his application of an apartment he had rented a few years before.

The apartment Community Corp. was referring to was a broken down unit on Fourth Street that Baldwin rented in 2003, but never moved into because the landlord failed to

repair broken locks and plumbing. On the ninth day into the month-to-month lease, Baldwin said he submitted his 30 days vacancy notice to the apartment manager.

Soon after, he received a call from Community Corp. informing him he was kicked off the waiting list again. He believes the apartment was instead granted to a white applicant.

"They didn't want me to have that apartment," Baldwin said. "I was good enough for the 20th Street apartment with the exact same information."

"I never had a problem getting an apartment," he said. "Never."

Applicants are required to provide rental and income information from the past five years, Ling said. Those who omit information, lie on their application or have a history of eviction can be kicked off the list.

"In general, it is our policy if an applicant lied on their application and we find out, we turn them down," Ling said.

Baldwin said he first suspected discrimination from Community Corp. in 1999 when he and a friend from Sweden applied for housing. He said his friend received a number of notifications for apartment openings north of Wilshire Boulevard, while Baldwin received none. Baldwin said their applications were almost identical.

Sangary said on Wednesday that the plaintiff has a list of minority witnesses who claim to have had similar experiences with Community Corp.

"They are just selectively enforcing some unknown regulation and looking for some technicality to kick off and deny housing to people of color," Sangary said. "With white people, everything is fine."

Baldwin, who said he would not live in a Community Corp. apartment if given the chance now, is hoping the organization will change its policies as a result of the lawsuit.

"To offer me an apartment now would be a slap in the face," Baldwin said.



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Cell mate

A man uses his wireless phone to describe the meltdown sunset at the Santa Monica Pier.

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Renters seek to live in SM

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Pacific Palisades and her home in downtown Los Angeles almost every day. The commute takes her an exhausting three and a half hours a day.

Between the commute and cost of gas on a nanny's salary, Tabanera finally decided enough was enough. She set her sights for a new home on Santa Monica, trying to land digs closer to her job and UCLA, where she plans to enroll in a few months.

She began her search in March. Seven months later, Tabanera is still looking.

Expensive rent and limited vacancies, coupled with beautiful weather and picturesque scenery make Santa Monica one of the most sought after cities to call home on the west coast.

Indeed, the most popular listing on Westsiderentals.com — a fee-based rental search Web site — is Santa Monica, followed by the Silverlake area and Long Beach.

"People really have a strong desire for Santa Monica," noted Mark Verge, owner of Westside Rentals, adding that his company has also provided rental information in Santa Monica for celebrities.

The city is so desirable that some people will pay up to \$10,000 a month in rent. As of Thursday evening, there were 243 apartment listings for Santa Monica on Westsiderentals.com.

COMPETITION RISING

The rental market in Santa Monica has become even more competitive in recent years. With Santa Monica College, UCLA, and numerous tech companies like Google and Symantec, the city is a popular choice as a home for students and young professionals.

"There's a lot of competition," said apartment hunter Natti Wade of Westwood. "It's like an audition."

Verge finds that landlords, who can post their vacancies for free on Westsiderentals, are inundated with interested applicants if they place their units even \$100 less than market value.

Less than a decade ago, many apartments were granted on a first-come, first-serve basis, as long as the applicant's credit history and references checked out. Today, landlords find

themselves with a list of applications and have the luxury of picking the perfect tenant.

Westside Rentals recently posted a one-bedroom apartment for \$1,300 on 14th Street and Arizona Avenue. The landlord received 34 applications within three days.

Besides competitiveness, the major issue among most apartment hunters seems to be the expensive rent. Anna Chow is searching for a one-bedroom or studio apartment for less than \$1,250 a month. She hasn't had much luck in three weeks of searching.

In general, the apartments have been too small for the exorbitant rent, Chow said.

"I was looking at one south of Wilshire Boulevard for \$1,025, and it measured 9 feet by 9 feet for the main room," Chow said. "It's a pretty fair, but old building ... 'cozy,' as they would advertise."

Chow said she has used some of the more popular search engines like Westsiderentals.com and Craigslist.org in her apartment hunt, but has also tried finding places by simply walking around.

PET PROBLEMS

The issue in finding the right apartment does go beyond the expensive price tag and small size for some. Wade currently resides in Westwood and is having trouble finding an apartment that will accept her Chihuahua.

"Most places don't allow pets," said Wade, who's been apartment hunting for a month. "It the pet is house-broken, I don't know what the problem is."

Wade has until January, when her landlord plans to move back into the bedroom she is currently subletting. Wade currently pays \$600 a month for a room inside a house.

She's been searching for a one-bedroom or studio apartment for less than \$1,000 for a month.

On Thursday night, Marty Kaplan of Santa Monica, showed an apartment on Princeton Street for less than \$1,100 a month to two prospective tenants, including Chow. Kaplan said she received at least three calls for the apartment on Thursday.

Kaplan said she does not conduct formal interviews with her applicants and will usually offer a lease if the applicant's credit and employment information are cleared.



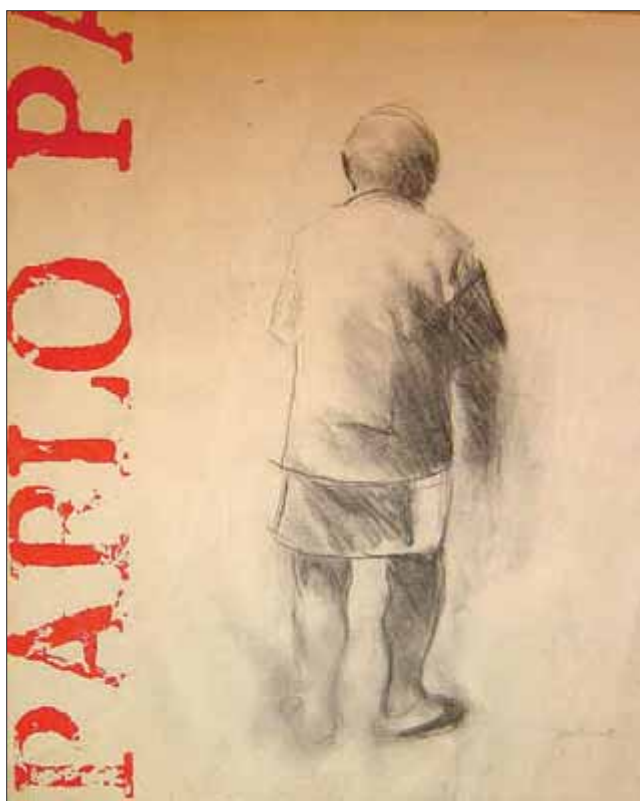
Melody Hanatani/Daily Press

CLOSING THE DEAL: The rental market has become more competitive and landlords can cause a stir by lowering their prices just below market value.

She said most of her 60 units in Santa Monica are easy to rent, but finds it takes more time with the three-bedrooms, which typically run around \$3,000 a month.

As for Tabanera, she has since expanded her search to Culver City and Brentwood.

"If I live somewhere in Santa Monica ... I can take the bus and save money," Tabanera said on her cell phone, while she was stuck in traffic on Tuesday night. "Right now, I'm on La Cienega on the 10 freeway and I'm going all the way downtown. I know I'm going to sit here for another 45 minutes."



Photos courtesy

(Clockwise from top left) [1] Painting "Hazel and Big Boy" by Warren A. Newcombe from Adamson-Duvannes Galleries. [2] "Les Elegantes" by Alice Halicka, a Polish artist who worked in France. [3] Trigg Ison, Gravleur, and Johnny Depp at the American premier of the art of Gravleur. [4] An example of the paintings of Gravleur that will be on display at the event. [5] "The White Sox Exhibition" by Carl Hugo Beetz from Papillon Gallery in L.A.

For international art's sake

BY LORI BARTLETT

Special to the Daily Press

SM AIRPORT — Fine art that's certain to cross all language and cultural barriers is on display at Santa Monica Airport's Barker Hanger this weekend. "Art International: A Fine Art Affair" features the works of American, European, Asian and Latin American artists.

The show opened on Wednesday night with a museum night gala and is scheduled to run through Sunday. The exhibit features works from many styles and eras, including impressionist, modern, post-war, late 20th century and contemporary, and mediums ranging from sculpture and photography to prints, drawings and oil paintings.

More than 30 galleries and seven museums from across the U.S. and Europe comprise the 70-plus booths exhibiting their fine art fare. Impressionist art depicting the scenic

charm of early California from 1880 to 1940, and California artists who painted in Europe are all featured in the William A. Karges Fine Art Gallery. Most of the works are museum quality paintings.

Owner Karges said the show is a must-see for art admirers and buyers in the area.

"It's a diverse show," said Karges. "There is modern, fine art, watercolors and sculpture. It should cover something for everybody. There is even some photography as well."

The show features many California galleries and museums, including Trigg Ison Fine Art. Ison will feature the original works of Gravleur — a contemporary French artist discovered by himself and Johnny Depp.

Ison will also be showing some celebrity art by musician Marilyn Manson.

Art International also invited galleries from New Orleans — impacted by Hurricane Katrina — to join the event. Two

New Orleans galleries, Callan Fine Arts and the Cole Pratt Gallery, are showing their works, as well as a special photography exhibit with shots from Hurricane Katrina.

"It's become difficult for our clients, who are serious collectors of fine art, to get to New Orleans, so it's increasingly important to us to connect with them, wherever they are," said Steven Callan, owner of Callan Fine Arts. "Art International gives us a high-quality venue to do just that."

The director of Cole Pratt Gallery, Erika Olinger, adds, "As New Orleans moves beyond the devastation of Katrina, the gallery, which specializes in Southern contemporary art, has experienced an upswing in sales. People are looking for beauty and joy amidst the chaos, and the art market is coming back."

"We're eager to see how the work of our artists, who came to us undiscovered and whom we bring to national attention, will

present at this important new fair."

Many of the exhibiting museums are from right here on the Westside. The Downey Museum of Art, the Fowler Museum of Cultural History at UCLA and the Barnsdall Municipal Art Gallery are some of the booths featured at the fair. The Downey Museum of Art is a noted venue for 20th Century art that serves a multi-ethnic public. Devoted to art and culture from Africa, Asia, the Pacific and the Americans, the Fowler Museum features works of the past and present. Barnsdall Municipal is the premier exhibition facility of the City of Los Angeles' Department of Cultural Affairs.

Art International is open today, from noon until 8 p.m.; 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. on Saturday; and 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Sunday. Admission is \$15. Information and advance tickets can be obtained by calling (310) 287-1896 or e-mailing osatco@aol.com.

ENTERTAINMENT BRIEFS



Photo courtesy

JUST GROOVY: **Perpetual Groove brings a fusion of rock and visual effects to the Temple Bar.**

Feelin’ the groove

By Daily Press staff

Savannah-based quartet Perpetual Groove bring a blend of driving rock, futuristic effects and a knack for melody to the Temple Bar on Oct. 26. Perpetual Groove first began touring more extensively in 2001 when they broke out of the Southeast region. Five years later, Perpetual Groove is on the national touring circuit traveling with a continually expanding light show.

Under their collective belt, Perpetual Groove has recorded two original studio albums — 2005’s “All This Everything,” which was recorded in Atlanta’s Tree Sound Studios and produced by Grammy Award Recipient Robert Hannon, and 2003’s “Sweet Oblivious Antidote” (on Harmonized Records). This past summer, they were back at Tree Sound Studios with Hannon and will release their third album in the fall on Tree Leaf Records.

Entering a new era of traveling via tour bus, their current tour finds the band crossing the nation to Santa Monica, leaving their trusty van behind.

Perpetual Groove will perform with the Underground Orchestra at Temple Bar, 1026 Wilshire Boulevard. Doors open at 8 p.m., with the show starting at 10:30 p.m. Tickets are \$13 in advance and \$15 at the door. For information and tickets, call (310) 393-6611 or go to www.templebarlive.com.

Some good “Jam”

By Daily Press staff

A local indie film hits the big screen at the Hollywood Film Fest this Saturday. Craig Sirling’s feature “Jam” was made at the Santa Monica offices of his production company, Thanksgiving Films. Sirling’s short film version of “Jam” played at the first Other Venice Film Fest in 2004, and now the feature version is screening at the Hollywood Film Fest at 7 p.m. in Theatre C at the Arclight Cinemas, 6360 Sunset Boulevard. The cast includes William Forsythe, Marianne Jean-Baptiste, Amanda Detmer, Jonathan Silverman and Gina Torres, among others.

The film’s plot unfolds on Father’s Day, when 14 travelers’ lives collide following a crash that leaves them stranded on a two-lane rural highway. With nowhere to go, the characters of “Jam” emerge from their cars and become travel companions with those whom they would normally never meet. The primary themes revolve around family and the dynamic between father and son.

Jean-Baptiste, Detmer and Forsythe are scheduled to attend the screening on Saturday night. For more information, go to www.jammovie.com.

Can you see my film now?

By Daily Press staff

Film technology has expanded to audiences via phone. Hollywood’s First Wireless Film Fest — The Third Screen Film Festival (TSFF) — debuts next week. The screening begins at 7 p.m. on Thursday, Oct. 26, at the Museum of Television & Radio, 465 North Beverly Drive, Beverly Hills.

Guests will be invited to view top TSFF films on cell phone screens and engage in a panel discussion on the future of new media moderated by TSFF Director Jon Katzman and featuring industry experts, including TSFF Judge David Gale, EVP of New Media at MTV; Chris Gore of Film Threat; Virginia Heffernan of the New York Times; Roger Jackson of IFILM; Daniel Tibbets, EVP of GoTV Networks and Suzanne Zizzi, SVP, Lion Rock Productions.

The top 15 TSFF film entries are posted at thirdscreenfilmfestival.com for viewers to cast their final votes. Votes will continue to be collected in real time via online and text messaging until the final winners are announced.

TSFF is presented by Columbia College Chicago — the largest arts and media college in the county — and its Semester in L.A. Program based at CBS Studios in Studio City.

Four prizes will be awarded at the final event, including: The top Student Filmmaker Prize; the grand prize Audience Choice Award (most votes overall); the Mobile Award (most votes from cell phones or wireless devices); and the Jury Prize presenting the judges’ top selection.

For more information, go to www.thirdscreenfilmfestival.com.

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Doubts about vote count are strong in U.S., Italy and Mexico

BY WILL LESTER

Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON — Count on close, contentious elections to stir up public distrust in the vote count.

That could be why people in the United States, Italy and Mexico had the lowest levels of confidence in the vote count among nine countries in AP-Ipsos polling taken just weeks before the U.S. midterm elections. Fewer than two-thirds in each of the three countries said they were confident the vote count would be accurate.

That's lower than in the other countries polled — Canada, France, Germany, South Korea, Spain and the United Kingdom, where three-fourths or more in each country felt the vote count is accurate.

"If we're going to have an effective democracy, we can't lose confidence in the institutions that deal with the votes," said Gabriel Nunez, a 39-year-old sales clerk in Mexico City.

In Mexico, Italy and the United States, recent contested elections left one side feeling cheated.

—In Mexico this past summer, ruling party candidate Felipe Calderon was proclaimed the winner after the country's top electoral court rejected claims by leftist candidate Andres Manuel Lopez Obrador of widespread fraud. By the end of the year, Mexicans will have an elected president, and the man he beat will have been "inaugurated" president by his followers.

—In Italy's parliamentary elections last April, outgoing Premier Silvio Berlusconi

alleged the vote was marred by irregularities and for weeks refused to accept the narrow-margin victory of Romano Prodi's center-left coalition.

—In the United States, the 2000 election was contested for more than a month before the Supreme Court ended the dispute, enabling Republican George W. Bush to be certified the winner over Democrat Al Gore. The 2004 election had enough problems to bring back memories from four years earlier.

—Germans had a close election in 2005 but worked out a compromise and the German people accepted the count with little outcry.

The U.S. complaints in 2000 and again in 2004 left Charlotte Blum, an independent voter from Fairfax, Vt., with doubts about the accuracy of the vote count. "People were asking for recounts," she said of the 2004 voting. "It's a bad atmosphere for the country."

The doubts come at a time that voter turnout has been sliding in many different countries.

Only half in the United States said they always vote, the lowest level in any of the nine countries polled. More than seven in 10 in Canada, France and Germany say they always vote, with almost that many in Spain and Britain saying that.

Voter turnout is traditionally higher in many European democracies than in the United States, and some voting analysts blame U.S. voter registration laws that put much of the burden on the voter to register.

Voter turnout has been dropping in many democracies, however, and the lack of interest among young adults is frequently cited.

For example:

■ In the United Kingdom's 2001 election, just 59 percent of registered voters cast a ballot, the lowest turnout since 1918. The 2005 national elections brought out 61 percent of voters, recording a slight upturn in a trend that has been moving down.

■ Voter turnout in Canada has waned steadily over recent years, dropping from 75 percent of registered voters in 1988 to an all-time low of 60 percent in the June 2004 election.

■ Turnout for German parliamentary elections usually hovers around 80 percent, matching a post-World War II low last year with about 78 percent of the electorate turning out — still high for most democracies.

■ In France, voter turnout has been dropping, especially in parliamentary elections, but the 2002 results when right-wing candidate Jean-Marie Le Pen forced a runoff — eventually won by President Jacques Chirac — were a shocker for many.

Margot Gillouard, a 19-year-old student in Paris who would be voting for the first time in 2007, is aware of the high stakes in the French elections. "When you see what happened the last time, I wouldn't miss it for anything," she said.

Turnout in the United States has been dropping over the last few decades, but was higher in 2004 when 122 million, or 62 percent of the voting age population, turned out in the presidential contest.

The drop in voting levels is widespread and often involves young people, said Bruce Cain, a political scientist at University of California-Berkeley.

"There seems to be a general wave of

demobilization, a problem of disengagement," he said, noting that voting is marked by "peaks and valleys." "A major part of it in many countries is young people. They move a lot, they don't have a vested interest in the society."

Compulsory voting is one approach that scattered countries have tried over the years — though few enforce the law. That approach to improving voter turnout was backed by 63 percent in France, 59 percent in Mexico and 58 percent in Britain.

Only 33 percent in the United States favored that approach, according to the polling of about 1,000 people in each of the countries. The telephone polls, conducted between Sept. 8 and Oct. 1, have margins of sampling error of plus or minus 3 percentage points in each country.

Skeptical attitudes about how much an individual's vote counts runs high in European democracies — with totals ranging from 32 percent in Germany and 51 percent in Spain saying they feel their vote doesn't count.

Occasional election problems don't upset Giancarlo Rossi, a 60-year-old export manager in Rome, who agrees with six in 10 in his country that he's confident his vote counts.

"Little tricks can happen often," he said, "but they don't influence the overall result."

Associated Press writers Kathleen Miller in Mexico City, Aurelie Toulemonde in Paris, Alessandra Rizzo in Rome and AP's manager of news surveys Trevor Thompson and news survey specialist Dennis Junius contributed to this story.

Former House clerk set to testify in the Foley investigation

BY LARRY MARGASAK

Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON — One central figure has been silent in the investigation of ex-Rep. Mark Foley's approaches to male pages, a former congressional officer whose upcoming testimony could support House Speaker Dennis Hastert.

When former House Clerk Jeff Trandahl appears before the House ethics committee in closed session Thursday, his testimony may help investigators determine how Hastert's office dealt with Foley.

In an internal report released by Hastert, his aides contend that they first learned about Foley's conduct in the fall of 2005, when they became aware of overly friendly e-mails to a former Louisiana page. However, Foley's former top aide said he told Hastert's chief of staff about the Florida Republican's conduct in 2002 or 2003.

Trandahl, who usually greeted acquaintances in the Capitol with a smile and a

friendly conversation, has made no public statements since the scandal broke and, for a time, wouldn't even reveal the name of his lawyer, Cono Namorato.

With polls showing the Foley scandal could hurt Republicans in the Nov. 7 midterm elections, Trandahl's testimony could be damaging if he contradicts Hastert's account and says Republican leaders lacked the urgency required to protect the teenage pages. Hastert has fended off calls for his resignation and said he believes he and his staff acted properly.

Trandahl was the official who likely would have known about any problems involving the page program, including improper conduct by pages or improper approaches from lawmakers or House employees. He supervised the program and was on its controlling group, the House Page Board, which consists of three lawmakers, the House clerk and the sergeant at arms.

Trandahl, who works for the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation, was known to be protective of pages. They are high school stu-

dents who run errands and learn how Congress works. They live in a dormitory and attend a congressional school.

Foley resigned his seat Sept. 29 after he was confronted with sexually explicit instant messages he sent former male pages, messages far more damaging than those sent the Louisiana page. In that case, Foley asked what the 16-year-old wanted for his birthday and requested a picture.

Foley also reportedly tried to enter the pages' dormitory near the Capitol while intoxicated.

Trandahl is known to have confronted Foley at least once. The chairman of the Page Board, Rep. John Shimkus, R-Ill., has publicly said he and Trandahl spoke with Foley in the fall of 2005 after learning about the e-mails to the former Louisiana page. The boy's parents wanted the contact ended and Foley promised to comply, Shimkus said.

Hastert has said he didn't learn about Foley in 2005 and didn't know about the problems until the scandal broke late last

month. However, two other Republican leaders said that they told Hastert, R-Ill., months earlier.

One of the officials, Majority Leader John Boehner, R-Ohio, was set to testify Thursday. He told a Cincinnati radio station earlier this month that when he approached Hastert about Foley last spring, the speaker told him "it had been taken care of."

Rep. Tom Reynolds of New York, the House GOP campaign chairman, has not yet testified.

The speaker's information conflicts with statements by Kirk Fordham, Foley's former chief of staff, who said he told Hastert chief of staff Scott Palmer about Foley in 2002 or 2003. Palmer disputed Fordham's version of events.

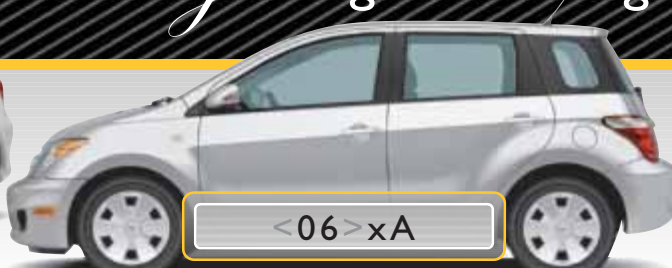
Hastert has told reporters if he learns that anyone on his staff covered up information, they will be fired.

Hastert and his aides, including Palmer, have not yet given their accounts to the ethics committee.

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Rice calls on all nations for cooperation

BY ANNE GEARAN

AP Diplomatic Writer

SEOUL, South Korea — Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice said Thursday she will not presume to tell South Korea or China exactly how they should enforce U.N. sanctions on North Korea, but called on all nations to cooperate.

“I did not come to South Korea nor do I go anyplace else to try to dictate to governments what they ought to do,” she said at a news conference.

She said the United States wants to lower tensions, not escalate them.

Rice’s South Korean counterpart, Foreign Minister Ban Ki-moon, warned North Korea anew that it should do nothing to worsen tensions.

“A second nuclear test by North Korea should never take place,” he said following meetings with Rice.

Rice is on an Asian tour in support of United Nations sanctions on North Korea for a nuclear test that rattled the world amid continued signs that North Korea may be preparing for a second nuclear test.

She is reassuring Seoul that the United States stands behind its pledge to defend the country if the North attacked. She carried a similar message in Japan, her first stop on a four-day trip devoted almost entirely to crisis talks on the nuclear threat.

Acknowledging that different countries will take different approaches to enforcing the U.N. restrictions on North Korea, Rice said the United States wants to ensure that all nations cooperate.

She said initial reports that the U.N. sanctions would require a blockade or embargo on North Korean goods were exaggerated and that there is a model for action, citing an existing agreement among about 80 nations that is meant to counter the spread of nuclear materials or long-range missiles.

South Korea has not signed on to that 2003 agreement, the Proliferation Security Initiative, out of concern that it would provoke the North. Frustration over that position was one cause of tension between Washington and Seoul even before the nuclear test.

Rice described that existing program as “effective, but not confrontational.”

“There are many ways to implement (U.N. sanctions) that have the same character,” she said.

North Korea has a standing army of about 1.2 million, with millions more in reserve, and a supply of missiles capable of reaching Asian cities. North and South Korea technically are still at war more than 50 years after the Korean conflict ended.

The U.S. has 29,500 troops in South Korea, plus other air and naval forces in range. While the U.S. has no land-based nuclear weapons in Asia, it does have submarines equipped with nuclear weapons.

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Gaut ordered to stand trial

BY ALLISON HOFFMAN
Associated Press Writer

SAN DIEGO — A woman who was with Chargers linebacker Steve Foley the night he was shot by an off-duty police officer was ordered Wednesday to stand trial on charges that she tried the run the officer down.

Lisa Maree Gaut, 26, has pleaded not guilty to assaulting Officer Aaron Mansker. Prosecutors say she slid behind the wheel of Foley’s souped-up muscle car after the player got out to confront Mansker, then gunned the car at Mansker after he shot Foley in the leg.

Superior Court Judge Frederick Maguire warned that his ruling should not be interpreted as a referendum on either Mansker or Foley.

Mansker, a 23-year-old rookie officer with the Coronado Police Department, shot Foley in the leg and thigh after tailing him for about 30 miles on a freeway, suspecting he was driving drunk.

Foley pleaded not guilty on Monday to misdemeanor

drunk driving charges. He was not required to appear in court, and is recovering out of the hospital. His agent, David Levine, said last week that Foley has not been able to walk since the shooting.

Mansker took the stand at the preliminary hearing for Gaut this week. He told the court on Tuesday that he followed Foley’s plum-colored 1971 Oldsmobile Cutlass Supreme after seeing the car weave through freeway traffic.

The shooting occurred after Foley got out of the car and began walking toward Mansker, who said he first fired a warning shot. Mansker testified Wednesday that he shot Foley because he thought the linebacker might have a gun after the player reached for his waistband.

On cross-examination, Mansker told Gaut’s attorney, Raymond Vecchio, that he hadn’t seen a weapon.

“It was just the reaching that made you shoot him?” Vecchio asked.

“That’s correct,” Mansker said.

Mansker is on paid administrative leave.

Gaut faces up to five years in state prison if she is convicted.

Baker patiently waiting to see what’s next

BY JANIE MCCAULEY
AP Sports Writer

SAN FRANCISCO — Dusty Baker knows if he is meant to manage again, it will happen.

For now, he’s back in Northern California tending to all of the things he didn’t have time for while leading the Chicago Cubs.

On Thursday, he will fly to Detroit to do television work for the World Series.

“I don’t have a plan,” Baker said Wednesday in a phone interview. “It’s up to other people to initiate the plan. You go on with your life. You’ve got to keep moving, and you’ve got to keep moving forward at the same time.”

He certainly would listen if the Oakland Athletics or San Francisco Giants contacted him about their managerial openings. The A’s fired Ken Macha on Monday after the team reached the AL championship series. From 1993-2002, Baker managed the Giants, who cut ties with him after the club lost the ‘02 World Series to the wild-card Angels. Yet patching up his differences with owner Peter Magowan might be difficult.

“I haven’t talked to anybody,” Baker said. “Some of it happened so recently. You try not to rush into making decisions.”

Baker’s contract was not renewed after four seasons with the Cubs, who finished 66-96 this season. In his first season, the Cubs came within five outs of the World Series.

Things went downhill from there for a franchise that hasn’t won it all since 1908. Baker led the Cubs to their first back-to-back winning seasons in more than three decades but had losing seasons in his final two years — including an NL-worst mark in 2006.

Baker, always popular with his players, is relying on his faith to tell him what’s next. And he is heeding the advice of his former All-Star basketball coach from high school, Frank Carabajal.

“I got the best advice: ‘Good people fall forward,’” Baker said. “Some of these things take time. I try not to worry or stress out.”

Baker’s phone has been ringing off the hook — “every day, all day” — with calls from old friends and coaches, everybody curious about what his future holds.

He was headed to Sacramento on Wednesday to visit his father and check on his house there, where he’d eventually like to retire.

“I have not been here but twice in eight months,” he said. “I’ve been home five days since I left for spring training. I have everything to do.”

A winless season takes a toll on Raiders’ Sapp

BY JOSH DUBOW
AP Sports Writer

ALAMEDA — Warren Sapp walked by Randy Moss’ locker recently and saw a framed picture commemorating the receiver’s 100th career touchdown catch.

“You catch 100 TD passes, you think that would bring a little happiness to your life,” Sapp commented.

On this Oakland Raiders’ team there’s little to be happy about.

Moss goes on the radio weekly and criticizes the team. Last year’s leading receiver, Jerry Porter, hasn’t played a game all year and has been suspended by coach Art Shell for insubordination. And the winless Raiders are off to their worst start in more than four decades.

After spending most of his career on winning teams in Tampa Bay, Sapp is struggling with the losing and negativity around the Raiders.

“It’s probably the worst time in my life right now,” Sapp said.

Oakland (0-5) heads into Sunday’s game against the Arizona Cardinals as the NFL’s only winless team and having lost 11 in a row dating to last season.

Sapp hasn’t been on a team that started this poorly since his second year in the league, when the Buccaneers lost their first five games on the way to a 6-10 mark.

The Raiders haven’t been this bad since 1964, when they lost their first five games in Al Davis’ second year as coach.

Most of the problems have been on an offense that has scored just 50 points and has been kept out of the end zone in three of the first five games, including last Sunday’s 13-3 loss at Denver.

“We aren’t going to win many with three points, but we are just going to keep plugging along,” Sapp said. “It’s about pride, now, more than anything. We haven’t won a game. We can’t hang our hat on anything. You have to go out and play. I know for myself I am, because I love this game.”

Shell considers Sapp one of the leaders of a team that is sorely lacking them. With Moss and Porter making their problems public, that leadership is being tested like never before.

“He’s a guy guys look up to,” Shell said. “He keeps guys loose. He’s demanding of his teammates. He makes sure they’re doing the right things. Guys respect him a lot and I’m sure there’s a bunch of them that look up to him.”

Sapp has learned to tone down his rhetoric, saying he’s learned that it’s not “really wise to say all the stuff you’re really thinking.”

That’s a lesson Moss could use. Having shut out the local media during most of his two years in Oakland, Moss gets his thoughts out through a weekly radio spot on Fox Sports Radio.

He’s talked about how things are “fishy” around the Raiders, complained about how hard Shell makes the team work, said there’s no reason for him to care about the losing because no one else does, and said he’d welcome a trade if the Raiders thought it would help the team.

Sapp, who used to have his own radio spot in Tampa, said Moss’ interviews wouldn’t be such a big deal if the team was winning.

“But when you’re (0-5), everything’s magnified,” he said. “And I think being a veteran guy he would understand that. But, hey, Moss is Moss. ...

“But Randy’s always been a different guy. Nothing that’s going to make it any worse right now, I don’t think. It’s got to get better before it gets worse.”

That could take a while.

The Raiders are the laughingstock of the league right now, with Web sites already running polls about whether they’ll even win a single game this season.

After this week’s game against the struggling Cardinals (1-5), the schedule gets much more difficult, with a home game against Pittsburgh, a visit to Seattle, a home game against Denver and trips to Kansas City and San Diego.

The Raiders are underdogs this week and figure to be for the five following games. Then comes a home game against Houston, which looks as if it could be Oakland’s most winnable matchup.

“When you’re on the outside looking at an 0-5 team, it’s really easy to nitpick and say what you need to say because there aren’t a lot of things you can fight off when you’re 0-5,” Sapp said. “The losses are there and there are no wins to fight anything with. We know what kind of ballclub we got. We just have to go out and show it.”

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YOKO ONO sued music company EMI Group PLC and a subsidiary for \$10 million, claiming she was cheated out of royalties from the sale of recordings by her late husband, John Lennon.

The lawsuit, filed in New York's state Supreme Court on Wednesday, accuses EMI and Capitol Records Inc. of violating

a half-dozen agreements by "willfully and knowingly underreporting royalties" by hiding the "true use and disposition of Lennon's recordings."

Ono's three-page filing, which included a summons and notice but no detailed complaint, also accuses EMI and Capitol of "intentionally and systematically rendering dishonest

and grossly deficient accounting statements."

A spokeswoman for EMI/Capitol, Jeanne Meyer, would not discuss Ono's lawsuit specifically, but she said, "Artists from time to time request audits of their royalty accounts. Sometimes there are differences of opinion, which is understandable given the com-

plex nature of recording contracts."

Meyer said the contracts are sometimes subject to interpretation "but 99 times out of 100 these things are resolved in an amicable way."

Ono's lawyer, John LiCalsi, refused to comment on the lawsuit, which asks for at least \$10 million plus interest.

In August, state Supreme Court Justice Karla Moskowitz refused to dismiss a similar lawsuit brought by the Beatles and their music company, Apple Corps Ltd. That lawsuit seeks ownership and control of the Beatles' master recordings.

Meyer said her company is appealing the judge's ruling

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Kazakhstan extends invite to Cohen

A top Kazakh official has an invitation for SACHA BARON COHEN, whose character, Borat, parodies a Kazakh journalist: Come visit.

Deputy Foreign Minister Rakhat Aliyev said in an interview that he understands why Kazakhs are unhappy about Cohen's character. But he told newspaper Kazakhstan Today that "we must have a sense of

humor and respect other people's freedom of creativity."

"I'd like to invite Cohen here," he said. "He can discover a lot of things. Women drive cars, wine is made of grapes and Jews are free to go to synagogues."

Cohen's character has presented inhabitants of the ex-Soviet republic as addicted to horse urine, fond of shooting

dogs, and viewing incest as a respectable tradition. Cohen's film, "Borat: Cultural Learnings of America for Make Benefit Glorious Nation of Kazakhstan," will be released Nov. 3.

Kazakh officials have tried to respond to Cohen's depiction of their country.

The Foreign Ministry recently ran ads on CNN, in The New York Times, and in the

International Herald Tribune citing facts and figures on the nation's economic growth, civil liberties and cultural achievements.

"It's useless to offend an artist and threaten to sue him," Aliyev was quoted as saying. "It will only further damage the country's reputation and make Borat even more popular."

AP

Easton's fainting spell adds some drama

The Tony-award winning actor RICHARD EASTON was recuperating at a hospital Thursday after he collapsed on stage during a preview performance of the Broadway play "The Coast of Utopia."

Easton, 73, fainted Wednesday at Lincoln Center's Vivian Beaumont Theater while making a dramatic exit near the end of the first act of Tom Stoppard's 2002 trilogy.

The show was halted as Easton's co-star, Ethan Hawke, asked for help from any doctors in the audience.

Easton was hospitalized, but appeared to recover quickly, said the theater's spokesman, Philip Rinaldi.

"They don't know what it was," Rinaldi said Thursday. "He was OK last night. He was alert, lucid, talking. He seemed fine. Today, he is undergoing a bat-

tery of tests."

Wednesday night's performance was canceled and the audience sent home, but performances were to resume Thursday with David Manis, Easton's understudy, Rinaldi said. Patrons will be eligible for a refund or exchange, he said.

Previews for the play, the first part of a nine-hour epic set in 19th-century Russia, began

on Tuesday. It opens Nov. 5. Easton had been playing a nobleman, and father to Hawke's character. The cast also includes Amy Irving, Billy Crudup and Martha Plimpton.

Easton, a professional actor since he was a teenager in Montreal, Canada, won a Tony Award for best actor in 2001 for his work in another Stoppard play, "The Invention of Love."

AP

Booking Bruce and his E Street Band

There is BRUCE SPRINGSTEEN, leaning against a counter in a diner, looking young and hopeful in a black-and-white snapshot taken at the Jersey Shore in 1978.

In another series of color photos, the E Street Band and friends are playing softball for a team called the E Street Kings. Bruce, wearing a yellow cap, is

swinging a bat.

The hardcover book, titled "Greetings from E Street," contains dozens of photos of the Boss and his band, mostly from the collection of Danny Federici, a band member and organ player.

Author Robert Santelli, a former music critic at the Asbury Park Press, said his favorite pic-

tures are the softball montage.

"The sense of fun and camaraderie was always evident to me, and I think these pictures show it," he said.

Springsteen, a Freehold native, is of course New Jersey's most famous rocker.

He rose to fame playing in clubs around Asbury Park, and Santelli's book tells the story of

the E Street Band in photos and obscure reproductions. Those include a replica napkin from the Stone Pony and a "free pass" to a show any Friday in September 1971 at an address in Asbury Park.

The 80-page book, published by Chronicle Books, sells for \$35.

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7:30

Saturday
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4:45

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1:45, 4:30, 7:10, 9:45

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4:15

The Illusionist (PG-13)
1:30, 7:30, 10:15

Open Season (PG)
2:00, 4:20, 7:00, 9:20

Texas Chainsaw Massacre: The Beginning (R)
2:15, 7:40, 10:00

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Flicka (PG)
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Marie Antoinette (PG-13)
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Little Miss Sunshine (R)
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Fill in the blank cells using numbers 1 to 9. Each number can appear only once in each row, column, and 3x3 block. Use logic and process of elimination to solve the puzzle. The difficulty level ranges from Bronze (easiest) to Silver to Gold (hardest).

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Rating: **SILVER**

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There are many strategies to solving Sudoku. One way to begin is to examine each 3x3 grid and figure out which numbers are missing. Then, based on the other numbers in the row and column of each blank cell, find which of the missing numbers will work. Eliminating numbers will eventually lead you to the answer.

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6250025A - (6250025A CONS); RED CROSS OF SANTA MONICA, 1450 011TH ST, SANTA MONICA, CA 90401
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6250085A - (6250085A, 6250085B, 6250085C CONS); RESIDENCE, 2108 OAK ST, SANTA MONICA, CA 90405
6250087A - (6250087A, 6250087B CONS); STUDIO 3 HAIR SALON, 3001 OCEAN PARK BL, SANTA MONICA, CA 90405
6250089A - (6250089A CONS); MARINE PARK BUILDING, 1406 MARINE ST, SANTA MONICA, CA 90405
6250093A - (6250093A CONS); ST CLEMENTS CHURCH, 3102 003RD ST, SANTA MONICA, CA 90405
6250094A - (6250094A CONS); ST PAULS LUTHERAN CHURCH, 958 LINCOLN BL, SANTA MONICA, CA 90403
6250095A - (6250095A CONS); FIRE-SIDE CONVALESCENT HOSP, 947 003RD ST, SANTA MONICA, CA 90403
6250098B - (6250098B CONS); CHURCH IN OCEAN PARK, 235 HILL ST, SANTA MONICA, CA 90405
6250104A - (6250104A CONS); REED PARK/ THE CARD ROOM, 1129 007TH ST, SANTA MONICA, CA 90403
6250106A - (6250106A CONS);

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6250113A - (6250113A, 6250113B CONS); ST PAULS LUTHERAN CHURCH, 958 LINCOLN BL, SANTA MONICA, CA 90403
6250120A - (6250120A, 6250120B CONS); JOSLYN PARK, 633 KENSINGTON RD, SANTA MONICA, CA 90405
6250121A - (6250121A, 6250121B CONS); SANTA MONICA CITY HALL, 1685 MAIN ST, SANTA MONICA, CA 90401
6250125A - (6250125A CONS); FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHR, 1008 011TH ST, SANTA MONICA, CA 90403
6250127A - (6250127A CONS); ST CLEMENTS CHURCH, 3102 003RD ST, SANTA MONICA, CA 90405
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6250128C - (6250128C CONS); The qualified voters shall vote by absent voter ballots or vote at the office of the Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk on election day.
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7100004A - (7100004A, 7100004B, 7100004D, 7100004E CONS); COLDWELL BANKER, 120 S TOPANGA CANYON BL, TOPANGA, CA 90290
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7100032A - (7100030B, 7100030E, 7100032A, 7100032B, 7100032C, 7100032D, 7100032E, 7100032F, 7100032G CONS); RESIDENCE, 21900 SADDLE PEAK RD, TOPANGA, CA 90290
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9005925A - (9005925A, 9005925B CONS); PALISADES LUTHERAN CHURCH, 15905 SUNSET BL, PACIFIC PALISADES, CA 90272
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9007693A - (9007693A, 9007693B, 9007693C CONS); THE SUMMIT CLUB, 1501 CHASTAIN PWY W PACIFIC PALISADES, CA 90272
9007697A - (9007687E, 9007697A, 9007697B CONS); SANTA YNEZ, 17005 PALISADES CIR, PACIFIC PALISADES, CA 90272
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**NOTICE OF SUBSEQUENT PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF:
ARAM J. DERYV AKA MAX DERYV AKA ARAM JOHANNES DERYV**

CASE NO. BP100477

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the WILL or estate, or both of ARAM J. DERYV AKA MAX DERYV AKA ARAM JOHANNES DERYV. A SUBSEQUENT PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by JOHN WELSH ROBINSON, THOMAS GOUNTOUMAS AND ATHANASIOS

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GOUNTOUMAS in the Superior Court of California, County of LOS ANGELES.
THE SUBSEQUENT PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that JOHN WELSH ROBINSON, THOMAS GOUNTOUMAS AND ATHANASIOS GOUNTOUMAS be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.
THE SUBSEQUENT PETITION requests the decedent's WILL and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The WILL and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court.
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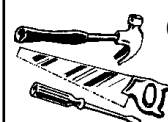
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