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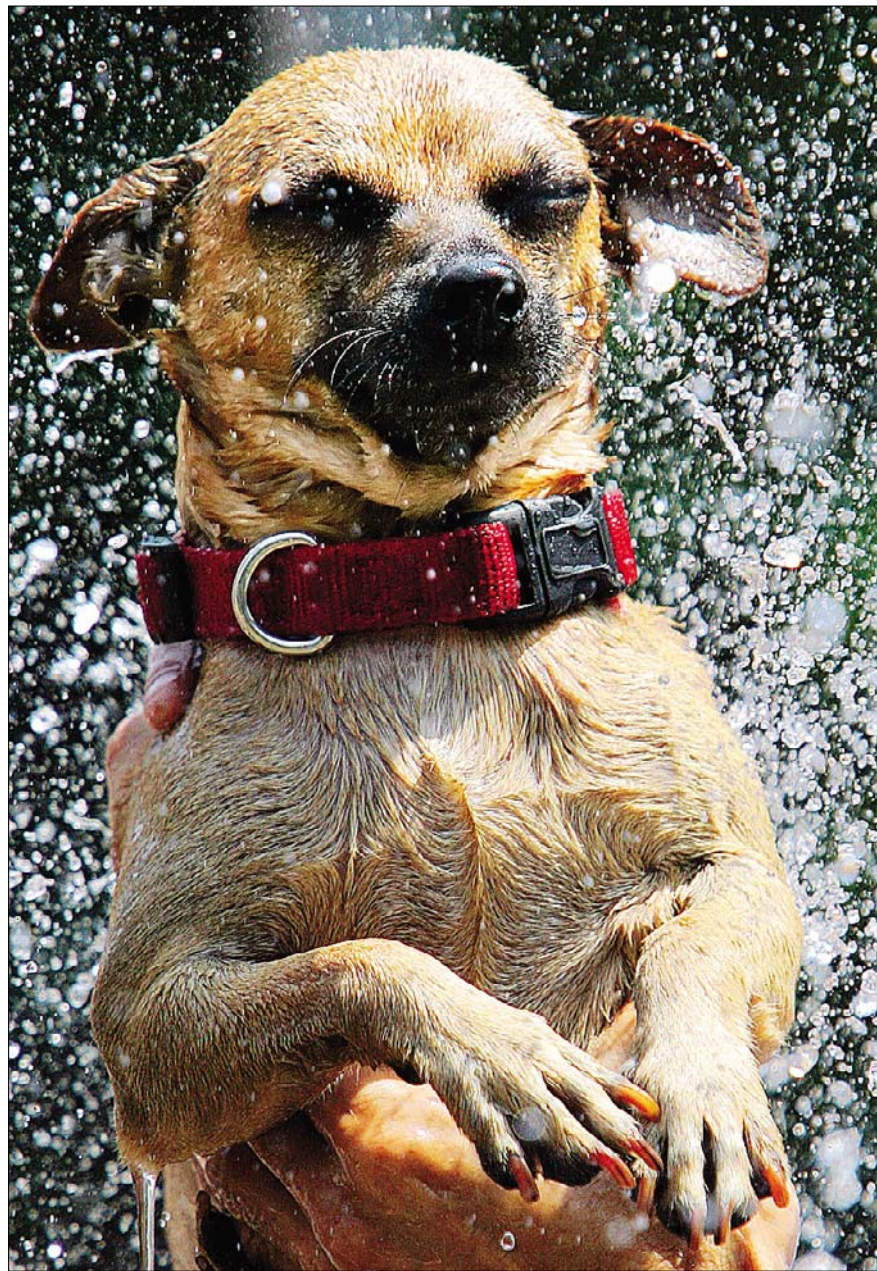
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## Little Relief From Butal Heat

**COLD COMFORT:** A Chihuahua named "Pooch" gets a cooling sprinkle from a fire hydrant in Philadelphia as the eastern half of the U.S. continued to broil under a heat wave. Temperatures have soared over 100 degrees in the Northeast the past two days, with more of the same expected on Thursday before a brief respite this weekend. ♦ **Great escape:** Tourists seek cool venues | Page 11

## Damning Report on Haditha

Officials: Probe implicates Marines in civilian killings

WASHINGTON | An initial U.S. military probe supports allegations that American Marines deliberately shot 24 Iraqi civilians in Haditha last November, a Pentagon official said Wednesday.

The Marine Corps and Navy prosecutors are now reviewing the evidence to determine whether to recommend criminal charges. That decision may be weeks away, and the lawyers may ask investigators to probe further, two officials said.



Mattis

They discussed the matter on condition they not be identified because the case — among the most sensational of several involving Iraqi civilian deaths — has not yet produced charges.

"It's fair to say that the majority of the work has been done," said a third official, Ed Buice, spokesman for the Naval Criminal Investigation Service that is leading the probe. "But it's impossible to predict how much longer the investigation will take."

A decision on whether to press charges ultimately will be made by the commander of the Marines' parent unit, the 1st Marine Expeditionary Force at Camp Pendleton, Calif. That currently is Lt. Gen. John Sattler, but he is switching assignments soon. His successor will be Lt. Gen. James Mattis. (AP)

♦ **Murtha sued:** Marine sergeant accuses congressman of defamation over Haditha case | Page 4

**ADVERTISING | Try the Ignition** A Birmingham, Calif., man accidentally caught his house on fire after pouring gasoline on his car in an effort to get it to start, WVTV-TV reported. The man told authorities that, after failing to get the van started, he

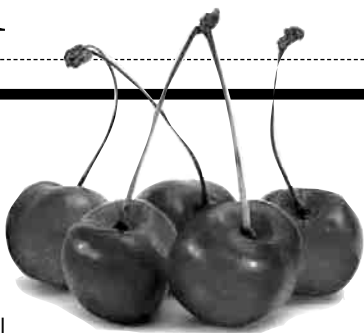


doused the carburetor with gasoline and tried again. The turning engine created sparks that ignited the gasoline, destroying the vehicle and one room of his house. It took a half-hour to put out the fire. (EXPRESS) **EyeOpeners** | Page 2

# eyeOpeners

**JAIL**  
**Climb Atop This Cell Bunk Bed Instead**

Three children in Halesowen, England, were arrested and jailed for climbing a cherry tree to make a fort, the Daily Mail reported. The three made their way up the cherry tree and broke some branches to make the fort, without knowing it was on protected public land. After undressing them, taking their mug shots and collecting DNA and saliva samples, the children were reprimanded. "Amy was scared bucketloads to be locked up in a cell knowing murderers and rapists have been sat in the same cells. The police action was completely unbalanced," said Jacqueline Higgins, the mother of one of the children. (EXPRESS)



**BUDGETING**  
**We'll Have to Raise Taxes to Pay for Jeff**

A former clerk-treasurer in Vera Cruz, Ind., faces theft charges after, investigators said, he paid himself and his wife more money than was in the town budget. Prosecutors filed 21 counts

of theft this week against Jeffrey W. Patterson, clerk-treasurer from June 2004 to September. The town's budget was \$4,500; following an audit by the state, investigators said Patterson overpaid himself more than \$7,000. His wife, who worked as the town's utility clerk, was overpaid by about \$800, the audit found. (AP)



MINIATURES

## Panoromania

Forget Chechen rebels. Vladimir Putin has a lot more to worry about — this giant rampaging through the streets of Moscow! Well, perhaps that's what this man stepping over "the river" inside the Moscow panorama on Wednesday was — or any potential buyers are — fantasizing. The panorama was constructed by more than 300 workers in 1977. The company that owns the 52-foot-wide model of the city center said it doesn't have the money to maintain it, and has put it up for auction for \$380,000. (EXPRESS)



If bar refs are as intolerant as the World Cup ones, one beer will get you carded.

**REFEREEING**  
**Similar Idea for the U.S.: Foul Shots**

Inspired by the yellow and red penalty cards flashed by football referees, some New Zealand bars are using color-coded cards to help curb excess drinking. A yellow card is shown to imbibers who may be heading toward trouble during a night at the pub, while a red card removes them from the bar, officials said. A yellow card means no alcohol is served to the recipient for a specific period of time. (AP)

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The amount of money, in dollars, raised by a central Ohio Girl Scout troop that a leader has been charged with stealing. Prosecutors accuse Teresa Wickline, 42, of raiding the checking account of Troop 225 to pay for cell phone bills and other personal expenses.

## Nation

# Record Temperatures Stagger East

Hot weather lingers, spurring heat warnings from Maine to Okla.

NEW YORK | Record-breaking heat and oppressive humidity made people across the eastern half of the country miserable Wednesday. Others forced to work outdoors guzzled icy drinks to cope with the heat wave that has sent temperatures soaring over 100 across the East and parts of the Midwest.

In New York, the temperature rose to 101 at LaGuardia Airport and 96 in Central Park. Baltimore, Boston and Philadelphia also expected to hit at least 100, and the heat could linger through Thursday.

The National Weather Service posted heat advisories and warnings from Maine to Oklahoma. Triple-digit temperatures were forecast Wednesday along the East Coast as far north as parts of Maine and New Hampshire.

The temperature was already above 80 degrees before dawn Wednesday at Nashua, N.H. LaGuardia Airport still had 92 degrees at midnight and eased only to 86 degrees by 6 a.m. before hitting 101 in the afternoon. In the heart of Manhattan, the low at Central Park only got to 83.

Equipment problems and stormy weather caused scattered power outages during the night in parts of the northeastern New



SPLASH: Amir Jackson, 13, enjoys an open fire hydrant in Philadelphia Wednesday.

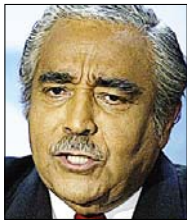
England states, utilities said.

"It's unbearable; it's oppressive," said Joy Haber, 44, who canceled a trip from Long Island into Manhattan because of the stifling weather. Her 13-year-old son, Sean, skipped day camp when his bus arrived with a malfunctioning air conditioner.

In Philadelphia, concrete worker Bob Ferguson was building walls 32 feet below street level. "Down in that hole, there's no air," said Ferguson, who wore the mandatory hard hat, long sleeves, long pants and work boots.

In Boston, authorities awaited autopsy results on a pregnant woman who died Saturday after collapsing at a sweltering Red Sox game. Denise Quickenton, 29, suffered an apparent heart attack after sitting in sunny bleacher seats, where the temperature was at least 90 degrees, authorities said. (AP)

## HEARSAY | PLACE YOUR BETS



"I would not put everything on the table if I thought for one minute we would lose."

—REP. CHARLES RANGEL (D-NY)  
WHO PLEDGED ON WEDNESDAY THAT HE WILL RETIRE IF THE DEMOCRATS DON'T RETAKE CONTROL OF THE HOUSE THIS YEAR

## Teen Surrenders After Bank Standoff

EAST THETFORD, VT. | An armed 16-year-old walked into a bank, took two employees hostage and demanded to speak to a mental-health counselor before surrendering Wednesday, authorities said.

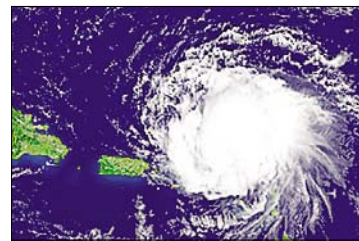
No injuries were reported in the standoff, which began when Daniel Eaton walked inside carrying a shotgun and handgun and fired a blast into a wall. A police negotiator ended the standoff. (AP)

## Storm Sweeps Through Caribbean

Forecasters say Chris could hit Fla. coast by late this weekend

SAN JUAN, PUERTO RICO | Tropical Storm Chris swept through the eastern Caribbean on Wednesday, forcing cruise ships to change course and tourists to evacuate small islands off the coast of Puerto Rico as it threatened to become the first hurricane of the Atlantic season.

The storm had top sustained winds of 60 mph as it swirled past the northern Leeward Islands and moved west-northwest toward the



Tropical Storm Chris nears the eastern Caribbean in this satellite photo.

U.S. Virgin Islands, the British Virgin Islands and Puerto Rico.

A hurricane watch was issued in the southeastern Bahamas and the Turks and Caicos Islands, the National Hurricane Center said. The

watch meant hurricane conditions with winds of at least 74 mph were possible by late Thursday.

The storm was projected to pass at least 100 miles north of Puerto Rico, but could produce strong gusts of wind and up to 8 inches of rain. Authorities in the U.S. territory warned of possible flash floods and mudslides.

The center of the storm was about 115 miles northeast of the U.S. Virgin Islands late Wednesday.

Forecasters said it was likely to strengthen and could hit anywhere from south of Cuba to Florida by late this weekend. (AP)

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**Total number of small earthquakes** that have hit a tiny corner of Ohio, shaking on average every two weeks since New Year's Day. So far, the quakes haven't caused any serious problems and sometimes even go unnoticed. Experts aren't sure why they are happening, but they do know they are happening frequently.

# Marine Sues Rep. for Defamation

## Sergeant under probe for Iraq deaths claims Murtha 'spread lies'

WASHINGTON | Rep. John P. Murtha was sued for defamation Wednesday by a Marine Corps sergeant under investigation in connection with the deaths of Iraqi civilians in Haditha.

Lawyers for Frank D. Wuterich, 26, argue in a federal lawsuit that the Pennsylvania Democrat falsely accused Wuterich of "cold-blood-

ed murder and war crimes." But they acknowledged during a news conference that Murtha identified Wuterich's squad, but not Wuterich by name, when speaking with reporters.

"His real problem is not his lawsuit against me, it's defending himself in court," Murtha told reporters Wednesday while campaigning in his hometown, Johnstown, Pa.

In a statement, the 16-term congressman said he does not blame Wuterich for "lashing out."

"When I spoke up about Haditha,



Rep. John P. Murtha, D-Pa., appears at a Democratic fundraiser last week.

CHERYL SENI/IAF

my intention was to draw attention to the horrendous pressure put on our troops in Iraq and to the cover-up of the incident," Murtha said.

The suit contends Pentagon officials "who have briefed or leaked information to Mr. Murtha deliberately provided him with inaccurate and false information" and that Murtha subsequently "has made repeated statements ... that are defamatory" to Wuterich and his fellow Marines.

The suit accuses Murtha of spreading "false and malicious

lies" about Wuterich and his squad that were "intended to serve his own private purpose and interests." Murtha's comments, according to the suit, "have been reproduced by

### Details of the Suit

→ Wuterich argues that he and his unit were following rules of engagement when they used grenades and rifles to clear up a group of homes. | **Today, A Section**

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countless third parties throughout the world."

The claim seeks damages to be determined. KIMBERLY HELFING (AP)

## CALIFORNIA | PANDA CELEBRATES 1ST BIRTHDAY



**BETTER THAN A CAKE:** Su Lin, the San Diego Zoo's giant panda cub celebrates her first birthday on Wednesday, by playing with special birthday treats including icicles that spell out her name at the zoo in San Diego.

KEN BOHNER/AP

# Evolution Foes Lose in Kan. Primary

## Teaching's supporters gain a 6-4 majority on state school board

TOPEKA, KAN. | Conservative Republicans who pushed anti-evolution standards back into Kansas schools last year have lost control of the state Board of Education once again.

The most closely watched race was in western Kansas, where incumbent conservative Connie Morris lost her GOP primary Tuesday. The former teacher had

described evolution as "an age-old fairy tale" and "a nice bedtime story" unsupported by science.

As a result of Tuesday's vote, board members and candidates who believe evolution is well-supported by evidence will have a 6-4 majority. Evolution skeptics had entered the election with a 6-4 majority.

Critics of Kansas' science standards worried that if conservatives retained the board's majority, it would lead to attempts in other states to copy the Kansas standards.

"There are people around the

country who would like to see the Kansas standards in their own states," said Eugenie Scott, director of the National Center for Science Education in Oakland, Calif., which supports the teaching of evolution.

Also Tuesday, Kansas Republicans chose a nominee to challenge Democratic Gov. Kathleen Sebelius in November. With all precincts reporting early Wednesday, state Sen. Jim Barnett captured his party's nomination with 36 percent of the vote, besting six other candidates. (AP)

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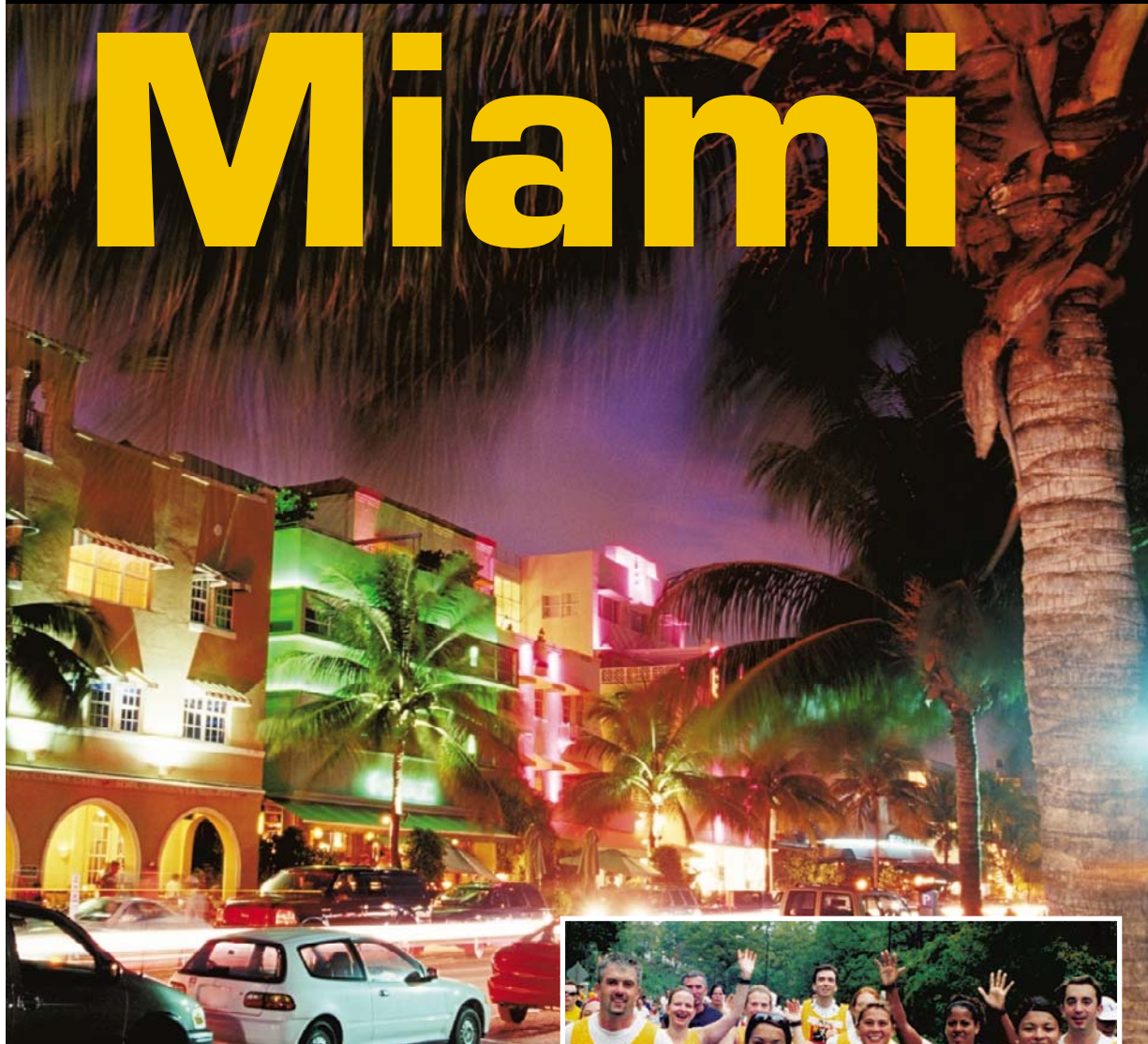
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# Nation

# In Brief



Firefighters hose down an exploded house in Carlinville, Ill., on Wednesday.

### CARLINSVILLE, ILL.

## Crews Investigate House Explosion That Killed Two

A house explosion Wednesday killed two people and injured two others, officials said. Mayor Robert Schwab said a woman was found in the basement of the destroyed home and a male juvenile also was pulled from the rubble. The explosion occurred at about 7:30 a.m. Natural gas and electrical service crews were on the scene investigating. (AP)

### TAMPA, FLA.

## Former Harris Aide Said Candidate Hid Subpoena

U.S. Senate candidate Rep. Katherine Harris received a grand jury subpoena from federal investigators but kept it from her top campaign advisers, leading to the latest round of staff departures last month, a former aide said. "Yes, there was a subpoena. She didn't tell us," former campaign manager Glenn Hodas told The Tampa Tribune. Hodas resigned from the Republican congresswoman's Senate campaign in July. (AP)

### COLUMBUS, OHIO

## State's Top Court Throws Out Woman's Death Sentence

The Ohio Supreme Court on Wednesday threw out the death sentence of the first woman condemned since the state resumed executions in 1999. The court ruled that the trial judge had allowed a prosecutor to be involved in preparing his opinion in sentencing Donna Roberts, 62, in violation of Ohio law. The court let Roberts' murder conviction stand but ordered the trial court to resentence her for aggravated murder in the death of her ex-husband. (AP)



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**CROSS-TRAINING:** It's primate vs. primate in New Delhi. In an effort to keep monkeys out of the city's subways, authorities have called a handler to bring in a fierce-looking primate called the langur — one of the few animals known to scare the monkeys and keep them off the trains.

## World

### In Brief



Viktor Yanukovich, who has close ties to Moscow, may become prime minister.

#### KIEV, UKRAINE

### Yushchenko Lets Deadline Pass Without Word on PM

President Viktor Yushchenko left Ukrainians hanging in limbo after a midnight Wednesday deadline for deciding whether to accept his chief rival as prime minister passed with no word on what he would do. The deadline's expiration puts Ukraine into another round of the political uncertainty that has dragged on since parliamentary elections more than four months ago. The party that got the most seats, led by the pro-Russian Viktor Yanukovich, managed to form a majority coalition with two other parties. (AP)

#### BAIDOA, SOMALIA

### Government Struggling to Regroup After Resignations

Somali leaders struggled to regroup Wednesday after a week in which 29 ministers quit the government, with the defectors urging the virtually powerless administration to reconcile with Islamic militants who have seized the capital. Eleven ministers stepped down Tuesday and Wednesday, adding to the 18 who resigned late last week. (AP)

#### KIPLING, SASKATCHEWAN

### Two Captive Boys Freed From Convicted Pedophile

A 10-year-old Canadian boy managed to escape from a convicted pedophile, and police talked his alleged abductor into letting another boy go and surrendering peacefully. The case captured national attention as live television coverage broadcast the police action around the abandoned farm. After a 10-hour standoff, the accused abductor, Peter Whitmore, 35, surrendered. (AP)

# Hezbollah Ramps Up Rocket Attacks

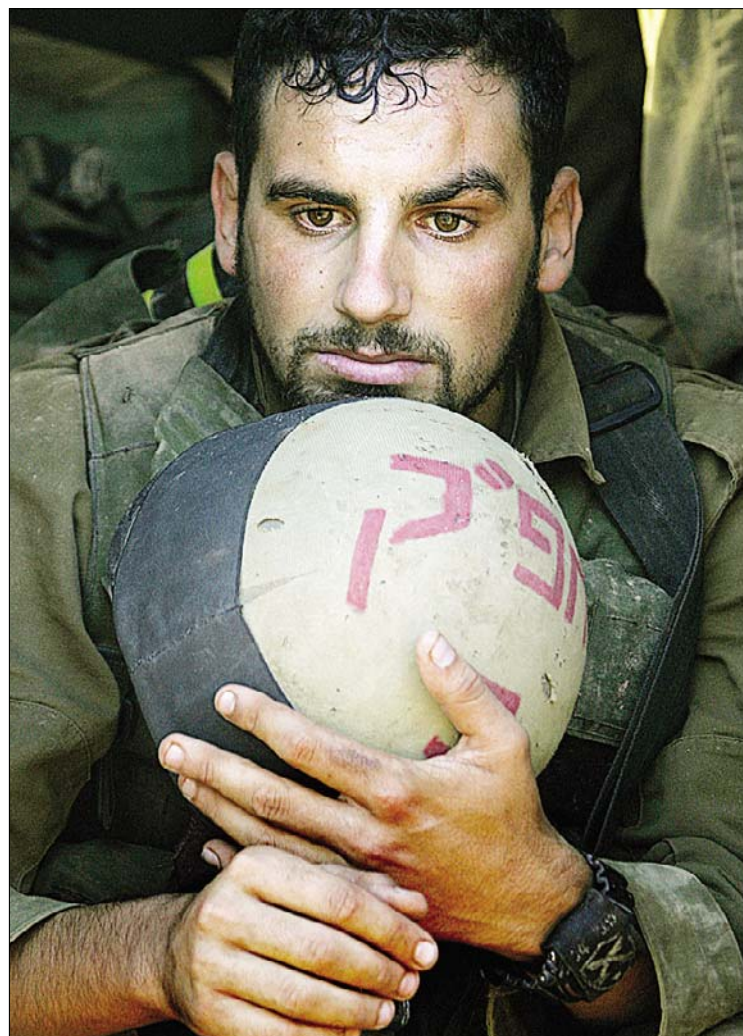
## Israeli military pours 8,000 ground forces into Lebanon's south

BOURJ AL-MULOUK, LEBANON | Hezbollah fired its biggest and deepest volley of rockets into Israel on Wednesday as Israel pursued the guerrillas with 8,000 soldiers on the ground and heavy bombing. With fighting in its fourth week and diplomatic efforts stalled, the region braced for a bitter and long war.

In eastern Lebanon, villagers wept as heavy machinery carried off the bodies of those killed in an overnight raid against a Hezbollah stronghold. Across northern Israel, fields lay scorched from rocket fire that killed a Massachusetts native fleeing on his bicycle after a warning siren went off.

Hopes for a cease-fire dimmed despite a plea from Pope Benedict XVI for a quick solution. U.N. diplomats debated a draft resolution that would lay down the conditions for an international force to go in; they claimed they were making progress but acknowledged no immediate deal was in sight.

The prospect of a longer war has raised tensions across the Mideast, where anti-Israeli and anti-American hostility is now



**PUSHING FORWARD:** An Israeli soldier rests after crossing back into Israel from southern Lebanon after an early morning military operation on Wednesday.

### A Steadfast Militia

→ Weeks into its war with Israel, Hezbollah has retained its presence in southern Lebanon, often the sole authority in devastated towns along the border. | **Today, AI**

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sharp. Arab leaders have warned repeatedly in recent days that the fighting has hampered any hope for a long-term Israeli peace deal.

But Israeli Prime Minister Ehud Olmert said his country would stop its offensive only after a robust international peacekeeping force is in place in southern Lebanon — something likely to take weeks at minimum. He predicted the fighting would create “new momentum” for Israel’s plan to separate from the Palestinians by pulling out of the West Bank.

On the first full day of its massive ground push, Israeli military officials said Hezbollah was putting up resistance as troops went from village to village in south Lebanon to clear them of guerrillas.

But the officials, speaking on condition of anonymity, said they were confident the resistance would not change their objective of reaching roughly four miles into Lebanon by Thursday. HAMZA HENDAWI (AP)

## Few New Details on Castro's Health

### Cuban lawmaker says leader is 'very alive'; brother still a no-show

HAVANA | Fidel Castro still appeared to be running the show in Cuba on Wednesday after undergoing abdominal surgery and naming his brother acting president, while police and civilian groups patrolled neighborhoods that have seen civil disturbances in the past.

Raul Castro remained out of public view two days after the temporary leadership change was announced, and the state news media's focus remained solely on the elder Castro and his recovery, creating uncertainty about who was



A motorcyclist rides past a poster of Cuban leader Fidel Castro in Havana.

really in charge.

“The revolution will continue while Fidel recovers,” proclaimed Juventud Rebelde, the Communist youth newspaper. “Fidel, get well,” read a front-page headline in the Communist Party daily Granma.

Parliament Speaker Ricardo Alarcon told the New York-based independent radio show Democracy Now! on Wednesday that Castro was “very alive and very alert” when the men spoke the previous day. Other than that, there was no new information about Castro's health. State television has broadcast no new images of either brother since the handover was announced.

Commander Jeff Carter of the U.S. Coast Guard, which patrols the water between Cuba and Florida, said there was no sign that Cubans were heading en masse to the United States. “We're not seeing anything — nor are we seeing any going the other direction, from Florida,” he said. ANITA SNOW (AP)

## Bombs Kill 11 on Iraqi Soccer Field

BAGHDAD, IRAQ | Bombs exploded on a soccer field Wednesday killing 11 young people, and at least 42 other people — two of them Americans — died elsewhere in sectarian or political violence. Still, the president said plans are on track for Iraqis to take over security.

Despite the violence, President Jalal Talabani said the government remains confident it can cope with the security crisis.

“We are highly optimistic that we will terminate terrorism this year,” Talabani said. “The Iraqi forces will take over security in all Iraqi provinces by the end of this year gradually, and if God's will, we will take the lead.” (AP)

## World



**TALK SOUP:** NBA star Yao Ming pledged Wednesday to give up eating shark's fin soup, a Chinese delicacy, as he joined a campaign to promote wildlife protection. "Endangered species are our friends," Yao said at a news conference organized by the London-based group WildAid.

# Taliban Attacks Target NATO Forces

## Assault on Danish troops comes after ambush kills 3 Britons

KANDAHAR, AFGHANISTAN | Taliban insurgents attacked a Danish camp in southern Afghanistan Wednesday, seriously wounding one NATO soldier, in the third assault on Denmark's contingent since it deployed to the volatile region last week.

A Taliban ambush in the same province Tuesday killed three British soldiers and seriously wounded a fourth. They were the first NATO deaths since Monday, when the alliance assumed military control of southern Afghanistan from a U.S.-led coalition.

A raid by Afghan forces backed by coalition aircraft killed 18



**SEEKING PEACE:** NATO soldiers examine the wreckage of the vehicle after a suspected suicide car bombing on the outskirts of Kabul, Afghanistan, on Wednesday.

Taliban militants in an insurgent hideout in Helmand late Tuesday, local police chief Ghulam Rasool said.

Afghanistan is being racked by its deadliest outbreak of violence since U.S.-led forces toppled the Taliban regime in late 2001 for hosting Osama bin Laden. More than 900 people — mainly militants — have been killed since May.

A spokesman for the U.S.-led coalition, Col. Tom Collins, said pamphlets from Taliban leader Mullah Omar urging Afghans to rise up against the U.S. and its allies had recently been distributed. He offered no further details.

The pamphlets claimed Western forces were "out to destroy Muslims," and expressed pride in suicide bombers, even those who kill civilians, Collins said. (AP)

## N. Korea Rejects Offer of Flood Aid From Seoul

SEOUL | North Korea's Red Cross has rejected an offer from its South Korean counterpart for aid to flood victims, a South Korean official said Wednesday, as an aid group claimed the disaster left about 10,000 people dead or missing.

North Korea "expressed thanks for Seoul's offer" but said "it will handle the recovery efforts from recent floods by itself," a senior North Korean Red Cross official said, according to the South Korean Red Cross.

Floods caused by heavy rains in mid-July killed at least 154 North Koreans, according to the United Nations. North Korea's official media has said the disaster caused hundreds of casualties and cut off roads, bridges and railways. (AP)

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World



A woman shouts out as law enforcers approach during a confrontation between disgruntled election workers and riot police in Kinshasa, Congo, on Wednesday.

# Congo Riot Police, Poll Workers Clash

Dispute over payment due for manning voting stations triggers unrest

KINSHASA, CONGO | Riot police fired into the air Wednesday to disperse scores of angry workers demanding payment for manning polling stations during Congo's historic elections.

Meanwhile, counting continued from Sunday's vote, which drew 80 percent of Congo's 25 million registered voters. No official preliminary results were being released, and the final tally was expected to take several weeks. Local results were being posted in 60 districts.

In the capital Wednesday, security forces also fired tear gas and could be seen hitting at least one person with batons to disperse about 150 workers outside offices of the Independent Electoral Commission. Some of the pro-

testers, who gathered at various electoral commissions centers, said they hadn't been paid fees of about \$70.

"The Electoral Commission doesn't respect human rights," read one banner a man held outside a government building.

Electoral officials weren't immediately available for comment. It wasn't clear when the workers, who opened 50,000 voting booths nationwide, were supposed to receive their payments.

The commission has had trouble paying its workers, in part because Congo lacks a formal banking system.

Sunday's multiparty vote was Congo's first in four decades, and Congolese embraced what they hoped would be the beginning of the end of misrule and violence. The United Nations reported Wednesday that turnout was 80 percent. EDWARD HARRIS (AP)

# Indonesia Tests 7 for Avian Flu

MEDAN, INDONESIA | Seven Indonesians from the same village on Sumatra were being treated for bird flu symptoms Wednesday, in what doctors and officials fear could be two new clusters of the virus.

The patients, at least three of them children, are believed to have been infected by chickens.

Blood tests still have to confirm H5N1 virus infections, but they are being treated as if they have the life-threatening disease.

Indonesia has posted 42 human deaths from the H5N1 strain of the virus since July 2005. (AP)

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# Money

## AOL to Offer Free E-Mail

Company aims to stop losing Web users to Yahoo, Google, MSN

NEW YORK | Stepping up the chase for online advertising dollars, AOL will give away e-mail accounts and software previously available only to its paying customers in a strategy shift likely to accelerate the decline in its core Internet access business.

The decision, announced Wednesday by AOL parent Time Warner Inc., removes the few remaining reasons for AOL subscribers to keep paying when they already have high-speed Internet



Once a leader in the Internet business, AOL has struggled to keep subscribers.

access through a cable or phone company.

Dulles, Va.-based AOL hopes that by making services free, it can draw Internet users to its ad-supported Web sites and keep them from defecting to Yahoo Inc.,

Google Inc. and Microsoft Corp., which have offered free e-mail for years.

"This is the final goodbye to the days when AOL was the king of the Internet," said Jeff Lanctot, general manager of aQuantive Inc.'s Avenue A/Razorfish, an agency that places some ads on AOL sites. "They now know they are the underdog."

Free e-mail accounts are available immediately, while some other features won't become free until early September.

Subscribers who dropped AOL within the past two years will be able to reclaim their old AOL.com addresses simply by logging on with their old passwords. (AP)

## In Brief

### NEW YORK Natural Gas, Crude Oil Prices Rise Amid Heat Wave

Natural gas prices rose Wednesday as scorching temperatures that baked the Northeast and Midwest put pressure on the U.S. electricity grids. Crude oil and gasoline prices also rose sharply after a government report showed that U.S. crude and gasoline inventories fell last week,

and as a tropical storm formed in the Caribbean. Natural gas rose 22.5 cents to settle at \$7.799 per thousand cubic feet Wednesday. Light sweet crude oil for September delivery rose 90 cents to settle at \$75.81 a barrel Wednesday. (AP)

### NEW YORK Mortgage Applications Dip To Lowest Level Since 2002

Mortgage application volume fell to

its lowest level in more than four years last week, the latest indication that the once red-hot real estate market is cooling down. The Mortgage Bankers Association reported Wednesday that its market composite index, a gauge of mortgage loan application volume, fell to 527.6 last week, down 1.2 percent from the previous week's reading of 533.8. This is the lowest index reading since May 2002. (AP)

**The color of money:** Post personal finance columnist Michelle Singletary offers her advice on your money questions | [washingtonpost.com/liveonline](http://www.washingtonpost.com/liveonline) at noon

## Market Action

### New York Stock Exchange

Gainers			
STOCK	LAST	DAILY CHANGE	DAILY PERCENT CHANGE
ConsGph	56.74	+8.94	+18.7
WattsWtr	33.85	+5.16	+18.0
CinciBell	4.50	+58	+14.8
ExcelM	10.65	+1.16	+12.2
WalterInd	49.06	+5.16	+11.8
Losers			
Biovail	15.77	-5.18	-24.7
Esterline	34.00	-8.15	-19.3
Tronox n	11.69	-1.16	-9.0
BeckCoul	52.00	-5.00	-8.8
Startek	12.08	-1.12	-8.5

### NASDAQ Stock Market

Gainers			
STOCK	LAST	DAILY CHANGE	DAILY PERCENT CHANGE
Pozen	10.44	+2.95	+39.4
BlueNile	31.77	+7.67	+31.8
UnvAmr	15.98	+3.48	+27.8
<B>Iomai n	3.79	+82	+27.6
<P>MER Tle	2.84	+55	+24.0
Losers			
ansthink	2.98	-1.07	-26.4
Centilm	2.02	-72	-26.3
Rambus	12.65	-4.33	-25.5
FortuNet n	9.18	-2.06	-18.3
AvalonPh n	2.35	-49	-17.3

### Rates

	CURRENT	PREVIOUS WEEK
Prime Rate	8.25	8.25
Fed Funds close	5.25	5.25
3-month disc	4.97	4.98
2-year	4.95	5.07
10-year	4.97	5.03
30-year	5.06	5.10

### Currency (Dollars in foreign currency)

	TODAY	PREVIOUS DAY	YEAR AGO
British Pound	.5325	.5331	.5648
Canadian Dollar	1.1263	1.1306	1.2157
European Euro	.7814	.7802	.8197
Japanese Yen	114.55	114.52	111.38
Mexican Peso	10.9748	11.0290	10.6000
Taiwanese Dollar	32.85	32.82	31.76

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### Bank Stocks

STOCK	LAST	DAILY CHANGE	YEAR TO DATE PERCENT CHANGE
AustNZ	97.91	+72	+11.2
BcoSnCH	15.09	+11	+14.4
BkofAm	51.96	+43	+12.6
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MitsuUFJ	13.66	+23	-2
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TorDBk g	51.39	+22	-2.5
UBS AG s	54.45	+42	+14.5
US Bancrp	31.92	+02	+6.8
Wachovia	54.25	-.01	+2.6
WA Mutl	44.13	-.28	+1.4
WellsFrgo	72.40	+42	+15.2



**OUT WITH THE OLD:** Va. attorney general Bob McDonnell said Wednesday he has formed a task force to streamline state regulations. "Today is the start of a serious, long-term effort to reduce unnecessary and obsolete regulations," he said.

## Local

# Area Summer Heat is 'Unbelievable'

Mercury hovers near 100; similar weather is expected Thursday

WASHINGTON | Temperatures in the District soared again Wednesday, hitting 99 degrees at Reagan National Airport just before 4 p.m. and expected to peak at 101.

"This is unbelievable," said Bob Garner, a tourist from Atlanta who retreated with his family into the air-conditioned comfort of the Capitol. "They get the hottest days of the year while we're here."

A high of 100 with a heat index of 110 was predicted for Thursday.

"This is not normal summer D.C. heat," said Andy Woodcock, a forecaster with the National Weather Service's Baltimore-Washington office.

At the Capitol, tourists filled water bottles at drinking fountains and doused themselves. Others drenched their baseball caps before putting them on.

At the Library of Congress day-care center, children stayed inside because it was deemed too hot to swim. Washington Redskins football coach Joe Gibbs cut his players a break by ending afternoon prac-



**HOT SEAT:** Tourists sit in the shade on the steps of the Lincoln Memorial during extremely high afternoon temperatures in Washington on Wednesday. By 11 a.m., the heat index at Reagan National Airport was 103, the National Weather Service said.

### IN The Washington Post

→ **BURN UNITS:** Heat-related calls keep area firefighters and paramedics busy as residents are treated for exposure. | **Today, Metro**

→ **DON'T HAVE THE POWER:** Steps taken to try to reduce the demand for electricity. | **Today, Metro**

tice early and then pushing back the 4 p.m. session to 7 p.m.

Some Washington tourists pressed on with their plans, gulping bottled water and fanning themselves with brochures outside such landmarks such as Union Station and the Washington Monument.

"The humidity is so bad — not

like in Spain," said Carlos Mulas, 56, of Madrid, before boarding a tour bus. "But Washington is so beautiful. We expect to enjoy it."

The hot weather is expected to ease off toward the weekend, with the weather service's Web site calling for a high of about 87 degrees for Saturday. (AP/TWP)

# Gansler Gets More Support

Top Prince George's County leaders back bid for state office

UPPERMARBORO, MD. | Montgomery County prosecutor Douglas Gansler, running for state attorney general, is being supported by two top Prince George's County political leaders.

The backing gives Gansler support from black leaders in Maryland's largest Democratic jurisdiction.

Rep. Albert Wynn and Prince George's County Executive Jack B. Johnson plan to endorse Gansler.

Support from the two leaders could be a setback for the two other Democratic candidates seeking their party's nomination to replace retiring Democratic incumbent. J. Joseph Curran Jr. Stuart Simms, the former Baltimore state's attorney, is the only black candidate in the contest. About half of the Montgomery County Council district of Thomas Perez lies in Wynn's district.

A poll last month showed Simms in a statistical tie with Gansler among likely primary voters. (AP)

## Md. Coach Charged With Sex Abuse

WASHINGTON | A Bowie, Md., high school football coach has been charged with sexually abusing a 15-year-old girl, and according to police documents, he also hired her out in the District of Columbia as a prostitute.

Arron Burroughs, 35, was ordered held without bail Tuesday during a hearing at Superior Court in the District. The junior varsity football coach at Bowie High School was arrested Monday night at a Washington motel. (AP)

## The Lotteries

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Mid-day Pick 4 **6-4-6-2**

### VIRGINIA

Mid-day Pick 3 (Wed.) **3-3-5**  
Evening Pick 3 (Tues.) **1-2-2**  
Mid-day Pick 4 (Wed.) **2-4-9-4**  
Evening Pick 4 (Tues.) **2-4-8-3**  
Mid-day Cash 5 (Wed.) **03-19-21-24-30**

Evening Cash 5 (Tues.) **03-06-12-26-34**

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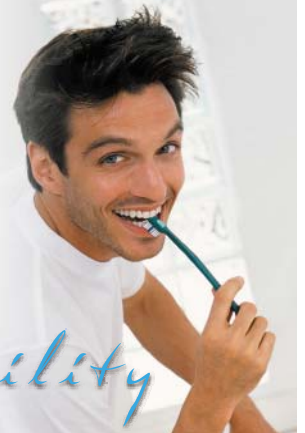
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**HEAD BUTT HEARD 'ROUND THE WORLD:** A song parodying Zinedine Zidane's head butt during the World Cup final has shot up to the top of French music charts. The song pokes fun at the entire French team, and lyrics warn listeners, "Watch out: it's the head-butt dance."



## Sports

# Portis Adds Characters to Redskins

Running back with multiple personalities is team's heart and soul

REDSKINS | Clinton Portis was more than the heart and soul of the Washington Redskins' offense last season. He also provided character — or, rather, characters — donning various wigs, fake glasses and accessories to assume such alter egos as "Coach Janky Spanky" and "Bro Sweets" during interviews.

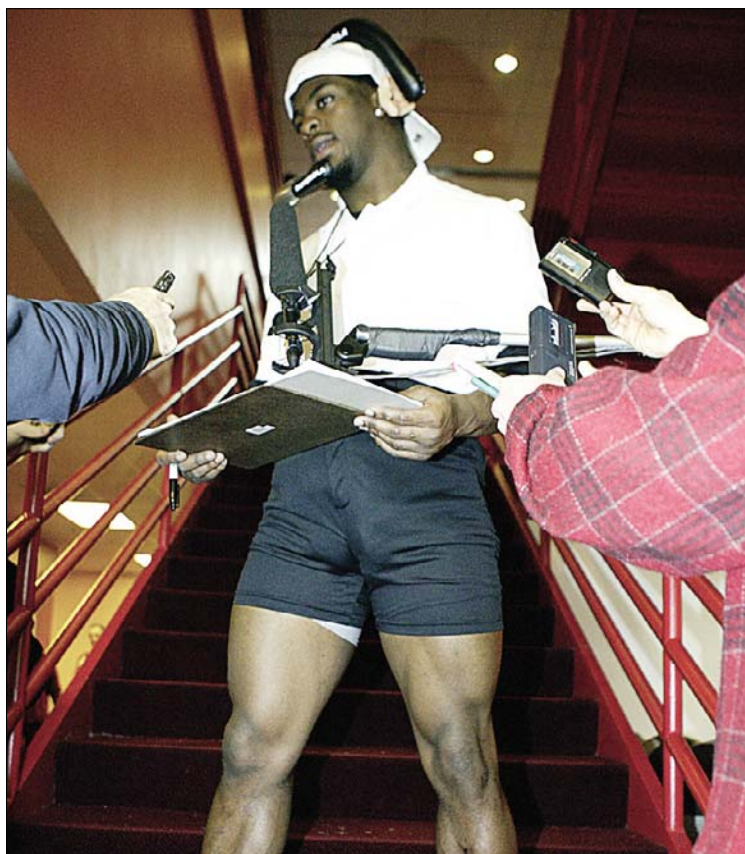
Nearly everyone Portis bumped into this offseason mentioned those getups.

"Everywhere I went," he said. "I went to church, and people were looking at me like, 'Where's your costume?' I said, 'I'm trying to come thank God as me.'"

Portis doesn't know whether he'll resume the every-week-is-Halloween routine. It depends, he says, on how things go for the Redskins, who expect to improve on last season's 10-6 record and second-round playoff loss.

One thing that will definitely look different is Washington's offense, thanks to the additions of receivers Brandon Lloyd and Antwaan Randle El and associate head coach Al Saunders.

By the end of last season,



Dressed as coach Janky Spanky, Redskins running back Clinton Portis talks with the media last January. Portis is expecting to improve on his 1,516-yard season.

Santana Moss was the only proven wideout, allowing opponents to focus on him and Portis. And even with clubs bunching up to stop the run, Portis gained a fran-

chise-record 1,516 yards, the third time in his four NFL seasons (two each with Washington and Denver) he topped 1,500.

"Clinton's had probably four of

### SKINS SPOTLIGHT

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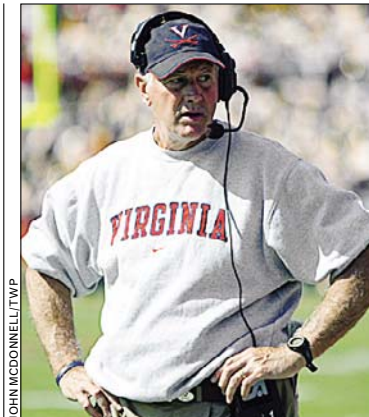
It may sound odd, but the phrases "surprising quick-ness" and "light on his feet" are actually used regularly to describe the 6-foot-5-

inch, 312-pound defensive tackle. The fifth-round pick out of Minnesota was brought in to shore up a defensive interior that struggled when starter Cornelius Griffin was injured last year, and coach Joe Gibbs says that Montgomery "fits in and plays very well" within Washington's defensive system. JOE TAUKE

the best years a running back's had," coach Joe Gibbs said. "Hopefully, what you're trying to do is gradually improve."

That very well could happen with Saunders' tweaks and quarterback Mark Brunell's new targets.

"We didn't add a little bit; we added a lot ... and Mark being the smart guy that he is, he's going to get the ball to the right person," Portis said, a diamond stud gleaming in each earlobe. HOWARD FENDRICH (AP)



Virginia coach Al Groh said replacing four coaches was good for the program.

## New UVa. Coaches Excite Groh

Cavaliers replace both coordinators but stay within old systems

COLLEGE FOOTBALL | Recruits are not the only people working their way into the programs at Virginia this season. The coaching staff also has undergone a transformation, and that's a good thing, according to the man in charge.

Virginia lost three assistant coaches to head coaching positions and a position coach, who took a job as a coordinator.

"At this point, it's been better for us to replace four than one because it's, across the board, brought a new energy," Virginia head coach Al Groh said. He promoted son Mike to offensive coordinator and brought Mike London back as defensive coordinator.

Virginia also added Steve Bernstein as assistant head coach for the defense, Bob Diaco as special teams coordinator and Dave Borbely as running game coordinator and offensive line coach. All three were already familiar with the systems Virginia uses.

The familiarity is crucial, Groh said, because it means players who already knew one system can continue to learn in that system, albeit under different scrutiny.

New coaches, Groh said, means players can't rest on old accomplishments. HANK KURZ JR. (AP)

# Stubborn Bonds Stumped by Shift

## NATS NOTES

NATIONALS | Baseball players are stubborn — especially the great ones — and Nationals manager Frank Robinson knows that.

With that in mind, Washington employed a defensive tactic popularly known as the Ted Williams shift, for one of its earliest victims, when facing slugger Barry Bonds in a pair of series over the past two weeks.

The first baseman hugs the foul line and the second baseman drops into short right field. The shortstop swings over to the area normally occupied by the second baseman, and the third baseman plays just to the right of second base.



Barry Bonds strikes out during a series against the Nationals last week in D.C.

It is meant to frustrate dead pull hitters. The strategy also is used on lefties like Jason Giambi and Carlos Delgado, as well as Bonds.

Bonds, who played in three of the six games between the two teams, repeatedly grounded into the shift and did not record a base hit.

That the exaggerated shift actually works puzzles Robinson. A well-placed bunt down the third base line or a slapped ground ball to the all-but-abandoned left side virtually assures the batter of a hit.

"I don't see why if you're in the eighth or ninth inning of a ballgame and you're down by a few runs, why wouldn't you take it?" he said.

But baseball players are stubborn, and Robinson knows that.

### Looking like Livan

For much of the year, Livan Hernandez hasn't pitched much like the No. 1 starter he is counted on to be. But after seven innings of one-run baseball to beat the Giants on Tuesday, Hernandez had pitched at least six innings and allowed three runs or fewer in six of his past seven starts. He won his only four decisions during that span.

### Healthy for once

Long defined by the nagging injuries that have dotted his career, first baseman Nick Johnson is healthy and it's showing. Johnson already has matched his career-high 15 home runs and is hitting .296, a career best. "When Nick gets locked in, he's tough to get out," Robinson said. "He's hitting the ball all over the field." DEREK TURNER

## Sports



**NEVER SAY CORNY:** The Milwaukee Admirals unveiled their new logo, a dead admiral, Wednesday. The logo comes with a slogan — “Never Say Die” — and a back story that explains it is the old admiral logo, except he’s been trapped underwater for 25 years.

# Schmidt Stifles Nationals

## Soriano's 2 home runs are not enough in 8-6 loss to San Francisco

**NATIONALS** | Moises Alou homered, hit a two-run double and also singled in a run, Jason Schmidt struck out 10, and the San Francisco Giants ended a nine-game losing streak with an 8-6 win over the Nationals on Wednesday.

Schmidt (8-7) won for only the second time in 10 starts since he matched a franchise record with a 16-strikeout game June 6 against the Florida Marlins. He struck out 10 or more batters for the fourth time this year to beat the Nationals organization for the first time since a win against the Montreal Expos on Aug. 25, 2002.

Alfonso Soriano homered twice to drive in three runs, his fourth multihomer game this season and 15th of his career. He led off the game with a shot to the arcade in right-center — his seventh lead-off homer and 30th of his career,



Nick Johnson swings and misses at a pitch thrown by Jason Schmidt. The Giants ace struck out 10 on the way to his second win in 10 starts as San Francisco won, 8-6.

and the second for him against the Giants. He hit a two-run homer off Steve Kline in the seventh.

But the Nats, who conclude their nine-game road trip with a weekend series at San Diego, generated little other offense against Schmidt.

Tony Armas (7-7) lost for the

fourth time in five starts and was done after his fourth-inning wild pitch allowed Randy Winn to score from third for a 4-1 Giants lead.

Armas failed to go four innings for the second straight start. He allowed six runs and eight hits in 3 2/3 innings. JANIE MCCAULEY (AP)

## Orioles, Bedard Beaten by Mariners

**ORIOLES** | Adrian Beltre hit a two-run homer, and the Seattle Mariners held on to beat the Baltimore Orioles 2-1 Wednesday, ending Erik Bedard's seven-game winning streak.

On a day in which temperatures reached 102 degrees, the Orioles were steamed at home plate by umpire Mark Wagner, who ejected second baseman Brian Roberts and manager Sam Perlozzo for arguing third-strike calls.

Bedard (12-7) allowed two runs, four hits and three walks in 5 1/3 innings. He had won seven straight



Orioles starter Erik Bedard lost for the first time since June 11 on Wednesday.

starts before getting a no-decision against the Chicago White Sox on Friday. The left-hander's last loss was on June 11, at Minnesota. (AP)

### TODAY'S TV LINEUP

**BASKETBALL (11 P.M. ON ESPN2)** The new-look men's national team that includes role players as well as superstars and is coached by Mike Krzyzewski will get its first test of the season — with a game against Puerto Rico.

**EXTREME SPORTS (9 P.M. ON ESPN)** After months of hype, the X Games finally begin in Carson, Calif.

**WOMEN'S GOLF (10 A.M. ON TNT)** All of

the world's best players, from Annika Sorenstam to Karrie Webb to Michelle Wie, are in Lancashire, England, for the first day of the Women's British Open.

**BASEBALL (12:30 P.M. ON TBS; 1 P.M. ON ESPN; AND 7 P.M. ON ESPN2)** Atlanta is at Pittsburgh, Toronto is up against the Yankees, and the Indians play the Red Sox.

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Sports

# Best in the LPGA Gather in Britain

Women's British Open features 3 players with 22 majors, 1 with none

WOMEN'S GOLF | Annika Sorenstam, Karrie Webb and Se Ri Pak are out of their so-called slumps and winning majors again. Michelle Wie feels she's on the brink of winning her first tournament.

The Women's British Open begins Thursday at wind-swept Royal Lytham with a field featuring this season's three major winners holding a combined total of 22.

Sorenstam is going for her 11th major. That would put her level with Tiger Woods, who won his 11th men's major at the British Open at Royal Liverpool two weeks ago.

The Swede, who has dominated women's golf for six years and won 10 tournaments last season, admits she's been way below the standards she sets herself. Yet, she has won two events this season, including the U.S. Open, and has twice been runner-up.

Webb's first of three victories this year came at the opening major, the Kraft Nabisco Championship at Rancho Mirage. She also won last week's Evian Masters in France and is chasing her fourth British Open and eighth major.

The Australian didn't win a tournament last year, however,



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Annika Sorenstam is looking for the 11th major victory of her career this week.

and, prior to this season, had won only two since 2002.

Like Sorenstam, Webb doesn't think she was in a slump, just not playing as well as in the past.

"I don't think it was as bad as some people think," Webb said. "But, obviously, I set standards pretty high."

Pak won the LPGA Championship at the Bulle Rock course at Havre de Grace, Md., for her first victory in 14 months, and Wie, who tied for second behind Webb at Evian, is still searching for that elusive first victory. ROBERT MILLWARD (AP)

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Baltimore	49	59	.454	15.5	29-28	20-31
Tampa Bay	44	63	.411	20	26-24	18-39

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Chicago	63	42	.600	7.5	34-19	29-23
Minnesota	61	44	.581	9.5	39-14	22-30
Cleveland	46	59	.438	24.5	26-29	20-30
Kansas City	37	69	.349	34	22-29	15-40

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L.A. Angels	55	51	.519	0.5	25-25	20-26
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**THERE'S THE RUB:** An Oregon massage therapist denied Wednesday that he applied testosterone cream on American sprinter Justin Gatlin. Gatlin's coach has contended that Gatlin, who has been accused of doping, was the victim of a vengeful massage therapist.



# Sports

## Blake Finally at the Mountain Top

With others faltering, top-ranked American has solidified his spot

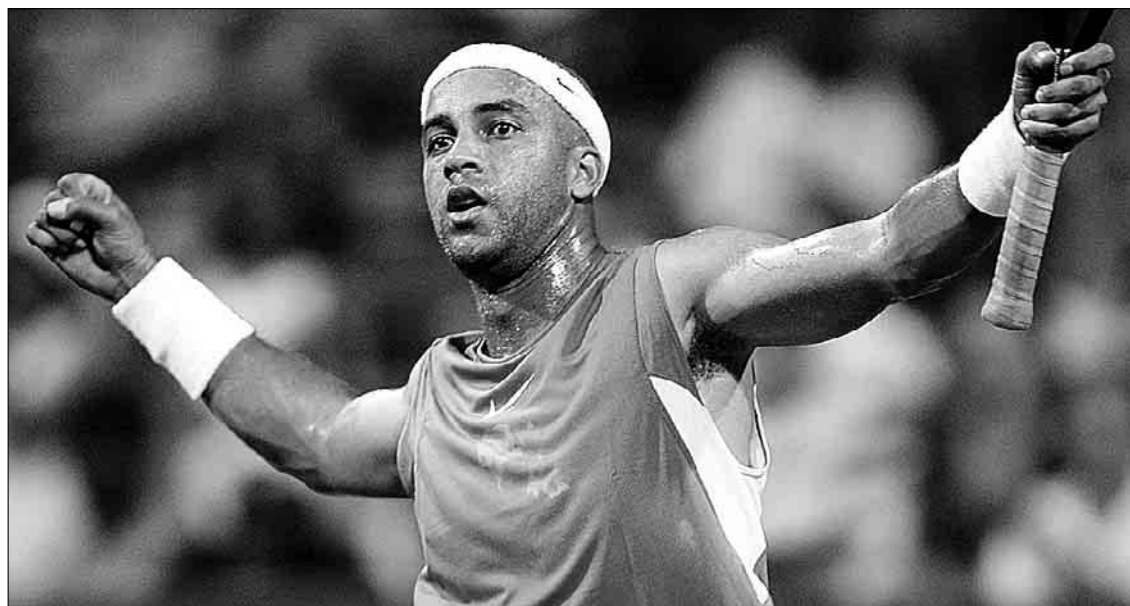
**TENNIS** | A year ago, James Blake was very much a player on the rise, announcing his return to the upper ranks of American tennis by reaching the final of the 2005 Legg Mason Tennis Classic.

Now, with Andy Roddick faltering and Andre Agassi a month from retirement, Blake has made it to the top.

As the No. 5-ranked player in the world, Blake is the top American player on the ATP Tour, and this year he has started to receive some of the hype that comes with such a lofty ranking.

"I feel like it is added pressure, but I've always appreciated pressure," he said. "It means I'm doing something good, and I have the opportunity to do something better."

"I hope that me being No. 5 in the world and being on TV a whole



James Blake celebrates during his second-round match against Kevin Kim Tuesday at the Legg Mason Tennis Classic in D.C.

lot and doing everything I'm trying to do to promote the game will show kids that it's possible," he said. "I didn't come from a country club background and there is a way to do it if you work hard and try your best and keep having fun doing it."

Blake particularly stressed the work ethic required to make it onto the big stage, which he said he thinks the current generation of kids might be lacking.

"They see any of the basketball players on TV and they just think

that came easy," he said. "They don't realize how many hours Shaq put in in the gym — even if his free throws look ugly, I'm sure he spent millions of hours in the gym working on them."

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## NBA Modifies Playoff Seeds to Reflect Records

**BASKETBALL** | The NBA is changing the way teams are seeded in the postseason, looking to avoid the controversy that surrounded last season's playoffs.

Starting in the upcoming season, the top four seeds — the three division winners and the second-place team with the best record — will be seeded according to their win-loss total, guaranteeing that the top two teams in each conference can't meet until the conference finals, the league announced Wednesday.

The NBA had given the top three seeds to division winners regardless of record, meaning a second-place team could not do better than the No. 4 seed, even if it had a better record than a division champion.

That rule came under fire last season when division rivals San Antonio and Dallas were forced to meet in the second round, even though the second-place Mavericks had a far better record than division champions Phoenix or Denver. (AP)

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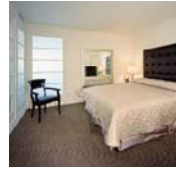
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## Sports

# 2.2

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# Legg Mason's Big Qualifier

Before beating Agassi, Stoppini's had to focus on making the tourney

TENNIS | Andrea Stoppini had already played four matches when he stepped on the court to face one of tennis' legends Tuesday night. He had already played eight sets and 70 games in the sweltering summer heat of Washington. But that didn't matter to Stoppini, who beat Andre Agassi swiftly in just one hour on Tuesday.

For every Agassi who makes his way to a Legg Mason Tennis Classic 17 times in his career, or for every Andy Roddick who withdraws from one, there is a Stoppini — a less-proven player who is just trying to qualify to play in the real thing.

"To qualify is every time difficult," Stoppini said following his now most famous win. "And after, when you play with top players, the level is much higher. But I played good, and had good confidence, so it's OK."



Andrea Stoppini smiles after defeating Andre Agassi at the Legg Mason.

Thirty-two players tried to qualify for the final four spots in D.C.'s Legg Mason Tennis Classic. They traveled from around the world without a guarantee that

they would even make it to the final 64. The qualifiers arrived at Carter Barron the weekend before the tournament began to battle over a chance to play during the week.

And after Stoppini, Ryan Sweeting, Phillip King and Wesley Whitehouse won their spots in the final, each was expected to promptly lose in the first round.

Of course, in sports, things don't always go as planned. Three of the four advanced out of the first round, and Stoppini is now playing for a spot in the quarterfinals.

Who knows what's next for the young Italian who hadn't won an ATP match until Sunday's straight-set victory over Paul Goldstein — a Grand Slam win, perhaps?

"I don't think so," Stoppini said, laughing. "I'd have to play the qualifier." IAN HERBERT (EXPRESS)

**Late matches:** The Legg Mason ended too late for Express' deadline. For results | *Today's Post*, **Sports**



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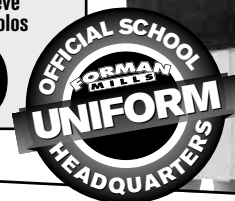
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**Television****A Tinsel Jungle****Laura Kightlinger mocks vain, insecure Hollywood in a sitcom**

**BRANCHING OUT** | Jackie Woodman dreams of taking Hollywood by storm with the screenplay she talks about finishing.

In her favor: She's bright, witty and, despite a dismal romantic life, highly presentable. Her problem areas: discipline and drive.

Speaking of drive, she doesn't. Best friend Tara, a ditzzy underling at a film production company, is usually willing to haul Jackie around.

But how can anyone live in L.A. and not be a motorist?

"I was born without the use of a car, so, to me, it seems normal," Jackie might explain, witheringly deadpan.

On "The Minor Accomplishments of Jackie Woodman," a buddy comedy set amid the vanities of Tinseltown, Jackie is seldom at a loss for words — unless they're for her screenplay.

The eight-episode "Jackie Woodman" premieres Friday at 11 p.m. on the IFC channel. Laura Kightlinger is its star, creator, executive producer and co-writer.

The 37-year-old Kightlinger is a standup comic with HBO specials to her name. She was a writer-produc-



**WHERE THE WOLVES DRINK LATTES:** Laura Kightlinger has been a consistent presence on TV and in comedy clubs. In her new sitcom, she takes on Hollywood.

er on "Will & Grace," with a recurring role as Nurse Sheila. She logged a season at "Saturday Night Live." Besides "Jackie Woodman," she's currently appearing on the Louis C.K. sitcom, "Lucky Louie."

One more thing: In real life, she drives.

"Although I really hate it," Kightlinger said. For Jackie's car scenes with Tara, co-star Nicholle Tom is at the wheel.

"It's Nicholle who has to talk and

drive," said Kightlinger. "She leaves the sarcasm to me."

The focus of "Jackie Woodman" is mainly the childhood chums as they battle their outsider status.

"I hope there's more to it than a gee-it's-hard-to-make-it-in-the-business kind of show," Kightlinger said. "I don't want it to look like a cheap 'Entourage.' Anyway, it's about two women not making it, instead of young guys who are being handed the world." FRAZIER MOORE (AP)

**The View From the Way Down**

**DVD** | It lasted only one season on HBO, but offbeat comedy series "The Comeback" (HBO) received three Emmy nominations last month, including a best-actress nod for star Lisa Kudrow and a best-director nomination for Michael Patrick King ("Sex and the City").



Kudrow was self-aware as the clueless falling starlet on "The Comeback."

The 13-part series co-created by Kudrow and King focuses on a terminally perky actress named

Valerie Cherish who scored a minor hit on a sitcom that ended a decade ago and is obsessed with reviving her career.

The new, two-disc DVD set includes droll commentary from King and Kudrow on the pilot episode and a very amusing commentary on another installment with Valerie.

Rounding out the set is "Valerie After the Laughter," a new interview with the actress in which everything that could go wrong does, and a visit with Valerie backstage at "Dancing With the Stars," right after she fell during her fictional turn as a dancer on the reality competition show.

SUSAN KING (LOS ANGELES TIMES)



**'STAR' SEARCH:** "Inside every woman there's a Pussycat Doll," a CW press release insisted, announcing that the new network has started casting a show tentatively titled "The Search for the Next Pussycat Doll." Ph.D.s are lining up all over the country.

# Television

## ON TV TONIGHT

### WHO ARE YOU PEOPLE?

The dog days are upon us, bringing triple digits, brownouts, repeats and talent shows. OK, **BIG BROTHER: ALL-STARS** (8 p.m., CBS) is not a repeat, but with its recycled cast, it sure seems like one.

### SCYLLA, MEET CHARYBDIS

The results shows of **AMERICA'S GOT TALENT** (9 p.m., NBC) and **SO YOU THINK YOU CAN DANCE** (9 p.m., Fox) go head-to-head, offering viewers the choice between British beauty Cat Deeley and the avuncular charms of Regis Philbin.

### GALLOPING IRON HORSE

**UNSTOPPABLE TRAIN** (8 p.m., National Geographic) recalls a railroad nightmare that struck near San Bernardino, Calif., when brakes failed, sending an overloaded freight train on a collision



**HOT FEET:** Tune in tonight, Benji fans, to see if the popular hooper can dance.

course with a small town and a petroleum pipeline.

### CULT CHOICE

Susan Hayward faces the gas chamber in the 1958 potboiler **I WANT TO LIVE!** (10 p.m., TCM). KEVIN MCDONOUGH (UNITED FEATURE SYNDICATE)

# Hiroshima's Grim Legacy

## The 1945 bombing of Japan continues to send out shock waves

**LONG STORY SHORT** | Cinemax continues its weekly showcase for Oscar-nominated 2005 documentary shorts.

Directed by Steven Okazaki, "The Mushroom Club" (7 p.m., Cinemax) interviews survivors of the atomic blast that devastated Hiroshima on Aug. 6, 1945. An elderly woman was a 25-year-old newlywed when the bomb fell.

Although nearly every building in Hiroshima has been rebuilt, she



**LEST WE FORGET:** Schoolchildren attend a memorial for the bomb's victims.

still scours the streets and riverbanks for grim mementoes of the occasion. She has collected buttons torn from the clothes of blast victims, bits of melted glass and pieces of ceramics fused by the heat.

"Mushroom" also looks at changing attitudes toward the war, defeat and occupation and Japan's post-war policy of pacifism. Japan's policy of renouncing war is so ingrained that people think nothing of a cigarette brand named Peace.

Today, a small-but-growing minority calls for the return of Japan's military and its days of "glory." KEVIN MCDONOUGH (UNITED FEATURE SYNDICATE)

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<b>MOVIES</b>	AMC (3:15) ** "Hoodlum" (1997, Crime Drama) Laurence Fishburne. 'R'	TCM The Lusty Men	HBO (5:00) ** "Flight of the Phoenix"	MAX (5:00) *** "Serenity" (2005)	SHOW In the Army Now	TMC Agent-Banks 2	STARZ! Lords of Dogtown	ENCORE (5:45) ** "Point Break" (1991, Action) Patrick Swayze. 'R'	** "Scarface" (1983, Crime Drama) Al Pacino, Michelle Pfeiffer. A Cuban immigrant fights to the top of Miami's drug trade. 'R'	*** "The Fighting Seabees" (1944, Adventure) John Wayne. 'NR'	*** "I Want to Live!" (1958, Biography) Susan Hayward. 'NR'	** "Surviving Christmas" (2004) Ben Affleck. 'PG-13'	** "Lucky Louie" (1996, Science Fiction) Will Smith, Bill Pullman. 'PG-13'	** "Jason Goes to Hell: The Final Friday" (1993) 'R'	** "Enduring Love" (2004) Daniel Craig. ITV Premiere. 'R'	** "Bloodfist" (1989) Don "The Dragon" Wilson. 'R'	** "Blade: Trinity" (2004, Horror) Wesley Snipes, Jessica Biel. 'R'	** "Road House" (1989, Action) Patrick Swayze, Kelly Lynch. 'R'					

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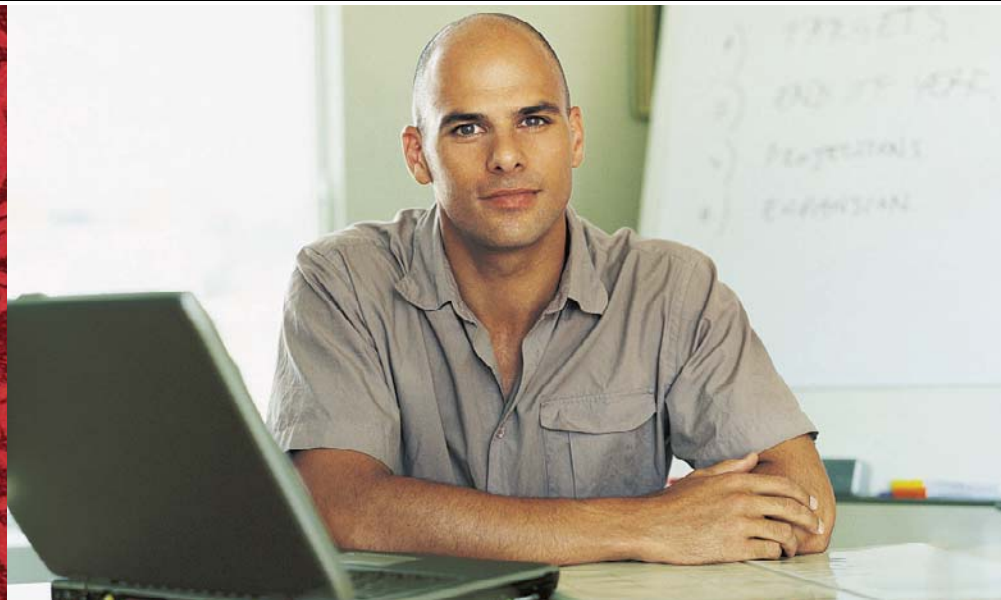


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## Security

### Tiny Chihuahua runs with the big dogs of narcotic-detection

Though she's only a 6-pound Chihuahua-rat terrier mix who looks like she belongs in Paris Hilton's purse, Midge has the will, skill and nose of a 100-pound German shepherd.

The newest recruit for the Geauga County Sheriff Department's K-9 unit could very well be the nation's smallest drug-sniffing pooch.

"Good girl," Sheriff Dan McClelland says, praising the 7-month-old, tail-wagging puppy, during a recent training exercise.

McClelland began training Midge for drug-detecting duties when she was just 3 months old, after reading about departments being sued by suspects whose cars or homes were damaged by larger dogs.

Like many police departments, Geauga County has had German shepherds and Labrador retrievers for years. In fact, visitors often ask, "Is the big dog out?" — referring to 125-pound Brutus, says Lt. Tom

McCaffrey, Brutus' handler.

Still, Brutus' intimidating, deep-pitched bark disappears when Midge — her name is short for midget — playfully wrestles with him in the grass outside the old jail. That's where the dogs participate in narcotics training, where Midge watches the bigger dog maneuver through cabinets, heating vents and other spaces in search of marijuana.

Police dogs must pass a test in which they successfully search for drugs in several places to get state certification. Then they can officially become K-9s and conduct legal searches. McClelland hopes Midge will receive her working papers when she is about a year old.

McClelland's idea of using smaller dogs was reinforced when he returned from vacationing in Canada and saw U.S. Customs officials using beagles to sniff luggage.

The sheriff seems to be part of a trend, as others are training smaller dogs for police uses.

There are advantages to smaller dogs, says Bob Eden, whose Eden Consulting Group trains police dogs and handlers. "Smaller pups can get into smaller and tighter spaces in order to carry out their searches," Eden says.

On the other hand, dogs that

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**POLICE ACADEMY:** Six-pound Midge knows that it's the size of the fight in the dog.

# Tin Tin Tiny

are too small may not be able to get around certain obstacles — and there could be a credibility problem, Eden says.

"A Jack Russell terrier may make an extremely capable narcotics detection dog," he says, "yet

some agencies would shy away from using such a breed simply because the dog doesn't have the same respect level from the public as a Lab or shepherd might."

That's not stopping McClelland,

who bought Midge from a co-worker's relative and takes her everywhere with him — she even has a pair of goggles for rides on the sheriff's motorcycle. On a recent day, she was curled in his lap, sporting a black "sheriff" vest over her brown-spotted white fur.

The sheriff says he knew instantly Midge would be good for his police experiment in Geauga County, whose picturesque rolling farmland and old-fashioned town squares are home to about 90,000 people east of Cleveland.

"She is very calm. She is not yappy. She likes people a lot, really loves kids," he says as he strokes the dog.

Midge has helped boost the department's relationship with the community. The tiny dog was grand marshal for a Memorial Day parade, wearing an American flag scarf while perched atop a motorcycle.

She has been a hit in the county jail, where McClelland takes her to visit well-behaved inmates. Wearing flip-flops, some of the prisoners giggle when Midge licks their toes. Others cuddle her close as they talk with the sheriff about missing their own dogs at home.

On visits to school classrooms, Midge gets passed around by curious students. And McClelland offers a lesson:

"I tell the kids, 'Even when you're small, if you take a stand, you can make a difference.'"

CONNIE MABIN (AP)





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# Rainbow Connections

## Culture

### Short-term commune holds fast to 1960s theories and be-ins

Pausing as he pushed a stroller piled with supplies up a hill, Art Goodtimes called himself a hold-over from the Summer of Love in the 1960s. With a bushy beard and a bulging belly, Goodtimes believes in the ideal offered by the Rainbow Family, the band of hippies that preaches love, peace and harmony and is best-known for its huge gatherings every July.

Yet Goodtimes knows that enjoying a weeklong commune with thousands doesn't make it real. "It's an experiment to see if we can live like this, to see if we can get along," said Goodtimes.

The Rainbow Family is a living relic of the 1960s, claiming to be the largest unorganized organization in the country. There are smaller gatherings all year, but the

**“What we have here is a huge giveaway ... There's shelter for the homeless, food for the hungry.”**

**ART GOODTIMES**  
RAINBOW FAMILY MEMBER

big event comes in July, when thousands gather in a national forest to exchange hugs, beat drums and just "be." There are no leaders, no mantra or dogma. The gathering draws members of religions from Jews to Hare Krishnas.

Yet contradictions abound. There are no leaders, but members refer to elders. There are no work assignments, but everyone is expected to work. Food is free, but everyone is expected to contribute.

And while many object to alcohol or drugs, there were scores of drug arrests at this year's gathering and an entire tribe camps in an



**SUMMER-OF-LOVE CAMP?** Thousands turn up at the Rainbow Family's gathering.

alcohol-fueled party zone.

The contradictions are part of the anarchy that makes the Rainbow Family what it is, said Michael Niman, a Buffalo State College professor who wrote a book

on the movement. At its heart, the movement is healthy, Niman said, and a pure example of American individualism amid government involvement in daily life. "It's our heritage as Americans to celebrate

freedom," Niman said.

Barry Adams is a founder of the movement. Disillusioned with society when he left the Army in 1966, Adams found happiness in San Francisco's hippie movement.

Adams said he and a band of friends held their first Rainbow Family gathering in Colorado in 1972. This year, he surprised many by suggesting the group launch a lawsuit against what he feels is a crackdown by the Forest Service on the gathering, which includes a prayer circle dedicated to peace.

"I never thought there would be a problem with our federal government for us to go out in the woods and pray," Adams said.

This year, in the woods 30 miles north of Steamboat Springs, about 15,000 turned up. "There's a healing here," said a 20-year veteran who called herself Red Woman.

If some ideals didn't match the realities — the Forest Service disputes Rainbow claims that they always leave the forest better than they found it — the spirit of the gathering feels genuine.

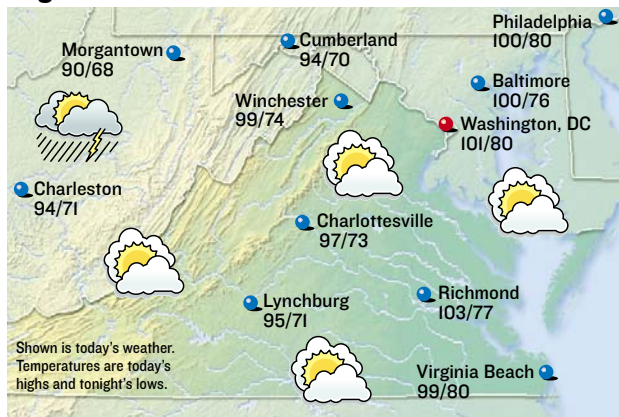
Members greet each other with "welcome home." Those arriving with nothing are taken care of. Those with plenty share.

"What we have is a huge giveaway," Goodtimes said. "There's shelter for the homeless, food for the hungry." CHASE SQUIRES (AP)

### 5 Day Forecast for the Washington Area

<b>Today</b>  Thunderstorm late this afternoon <b>101°</b>	<b>Tonight</b>  Thunderstorm possible <b>80°</b>	<b>Friday</b>  Variably cloudy, thunderstorm, warm <b>93° / 74°</b>	<b>Saturday</b>  Partly sunny <b>88° / 71°</b>	<b>Sunday</b>  Mostly sunny, seasonably warm <b>88° / 72°</b>	<b>Monday</b>  Partly sunny, maybe a thundershower <b>92° / 73°</b>
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### Regional Weather



### Almanac

Washington, D.C., through 4 p.m. Wed.

**Temperature**  
 High ..... 99°  
 Low ..... 80°  
 Normal high ..... 88°  
 Normal low ..... 70°  
 Average humidity ..... 50%

### Precipitation

24 hours ending 4 p.m. .... 0.00"  
 Month to date ..... 0.00"  
 Normal month to date ..... 0.22"  
 Year to date ..... 28.65"  
 Last year to date ..... 27.27"  
 Normal year to date ..... 23.04"

For up-to-the-minute weather, see: [washingtonpost.com/weather](http://washingtonpost.com/weather)

### Regional Forecast

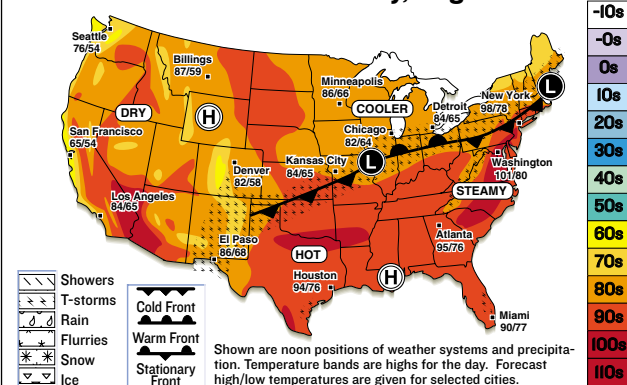
**D.C. Metro:** Today, partly sunny, hazy, humid, record-challenging heat, a late-day thunderstorm. High 101. Wind west 7-14 mph.

### Sun and Moon

Sunrise today ..... 6:11 a.m.  
 Sunset tonight ..... 8:18 p.m.  
 Moonrise today ..... 3:22 p.m.  
 Moonset today ..... 12:11 a.m.



### National Weather for Thursday, August 3



### National Cities

City	Today Hi/Lo/W	Fri. Hi/Lo/W
Atlanta	95/76/t	94/74/t
Boston	93/72/t	80/66/pc
Chicago	82/64/t	88/64/s
Dallas	100/78/s	100/78/s
Denver	82/58/t	86/60/t
Honolulu	88/78/pc	88/77/pc
Los Angeles	84/65/pc	80/65/pc
Miami	90/77/pc	90/77/pc
New York City	98/78/t	88/72/pc
Orlando	94/74/t	92/75/t
Seattle	76/54/s	76/54/pc

### World Cities

City	Today Hi/Lo/W	Fri. Hi/Lo/W
Amsterdam	64/58/r	70/59/sh
Athens	96/74/s	95/75/s
Berlin	70/56/pc	77/55/t
Buenos Aires	59/43/pc	63/48/pc
Calgary	70/47/s	65/44/pc
Dublin	68/54/pc	66/59/r
Geneva	68/58/r	63/53/sh
Moscow	72/56/c	68/60/t
Rome	86/72/t	86/68/s
Sydney	63/48/pc	61/52/sh
Tokyo	84/73/pc	86/75/pc

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Styles

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# Elegant Elie


 Designing  
People

## Tahari introduces a classic but youthful men's line for autumn

Having conquered women's ready-to-wear, designer Elie Tahari has now set his sights on the boys, with a line of elegantly tailored sportswear scheduled to launch this fall.

"For years, I have noticed a void in the menswear industry; the element of business-casual clothing simply doesn't exist," the designer said recently via e-mail. "Not all men are required to dress in suits every day for work, but they still want to look professional and stylish. I wanted to fill that void with pieces that are luxurious [but that] can be paired with a classic pair of pants or even denim."

In practical terms, this translates to utilitarian-yet-sophisticated pieces such as overdyed cashmere sweaters, washed leather jackets, herringbone reefer coats cut close to the body, slim moleskin pants and luxe cotton pique polos in masculine shades of chocolate, olive and beige with shots of midnight blue and deep red — all of which would, indeed, look great with trousers or jeans.

Tahari's selvage denim is accented with artisan hardware and raw-edged details for that rough-refined mix, and white cotton pin-tucked shirts are washed for a cool

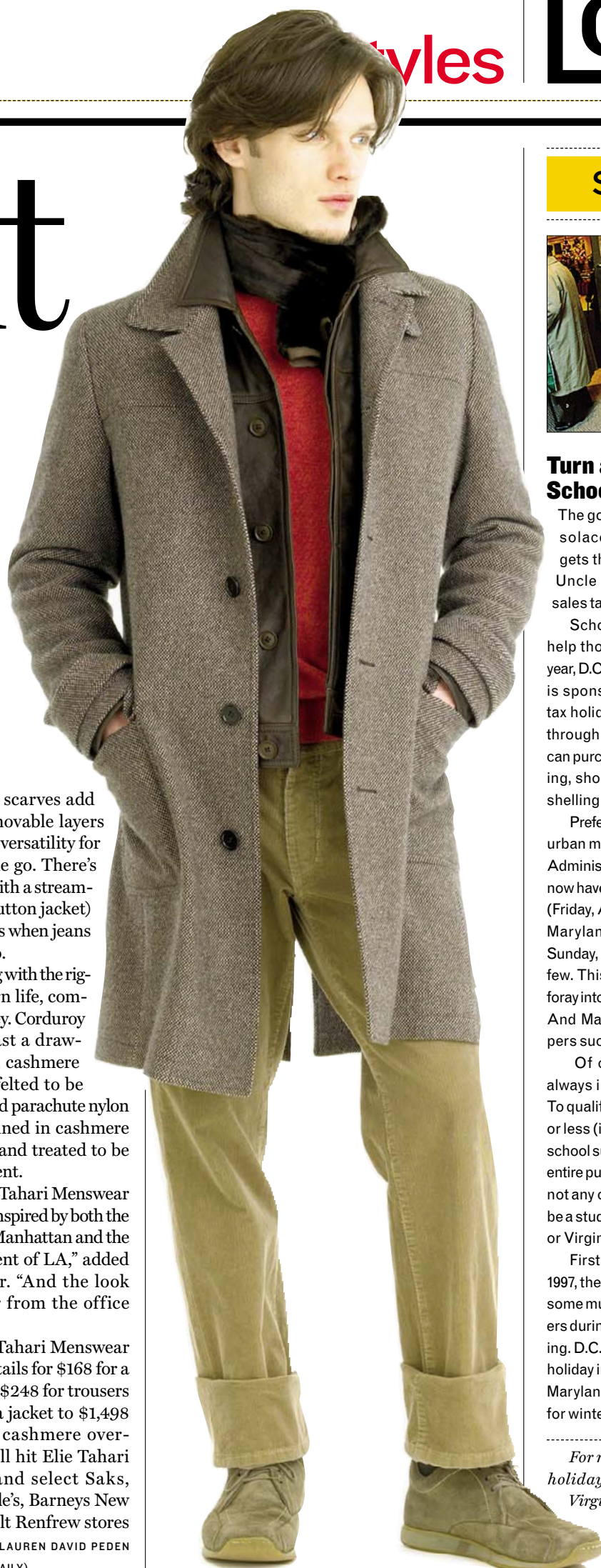
rumpled effect. Plush mink scarves add a touch of whimsy, and removable layers and linings offer year-round versatility for the well-dressed man on the go. There's even a seasonless wool suit (with a streamlined, one-button jacket) for those days when jeans just won't do.

In keeping with the rigors of modern life, comfort is also key. Corduroy trousers boast a drawstring waist, cashmere blazers are felted to be extra soft, and parachute nylon parkas are lined in cashmere for coziness and treated to be water repellent.

"The Elie Tahari Menswear collection is inspired by both the chic style of Manhattan and the casual element of LA," added the designer. "And the look carries over from the office to dinner."

The Elie Tahari Menswear collection retails for \$168 for a polo shirt to \$248 for trousers to \$798 for a jacket to \$1,498 for a heavy cashmere overcoat, and will hit Elie Tahari boutiques and select Saks, Bloomingdale's, Barneys New York and Holt Renfrew stores in August. LAUREN DAVID PEDEN

(FASHION WIRE DAILY)



## Shopping



### Turn and Kiss the Schoolkid Next to You

The government can't offer much solace when the summer heat gets this unbearable. But what if Uncle Sam withdrew that pesky sales tax?

School is taxing enough, so to help those gearing up for another year, D.C.'s Office of Tax and Revenue is sponsoring its traditional sales tax holiday. From Saturday, Aug. 5, through Sunday, Aug. 13, shoppers can purchase school supplies, clothing, shoes and electronics without shelling out an extra 5.75 percent.

Prefer to do your shopping at suburban malls? The Federation of Tax Administrators reports that 13 states now have such holidays, and Virginia (Friday, Aug. 4—Sunday, Aug. 6) and Maryland (Wednesday, Aug. 23—Sunday, Aug. 27) are among the lucky few. This year marks Virginia's first foray into the wonders of tax freedom. And Maryland hasn't offered shoppers such amnesty since 2001.

Of course, the government always imposes a few restrictions. To qualify, each item must cost \$100 or less (in Virginia, the price of each school supply can't exceed \$20). The entire purchase can go over \$100, just not any one thing. You don't have to be a student or live in D.C., Maryland or Virginia to get the break.

First established by New York in 1997, the holiday is meant to provide some much-needed relief to taxpayers during times of excessive spending. D.C. is planning its next tax-free holiday in November (no word yet on Maryland or Virginia) — just in time for winter break. CORY OHLENDORF

For more information on D.C.'s holiday, visit [otr.cfo.dc.gov](http://otr.cfo.dc.gov), for Virginia's visit [tax.virginia.gov](http://tax.virginia.gov), and for Maryland's visit [individuals.marylandtaxes.com](http://individuals.marylandtaxes.com).

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## Dog Days Festival Unleashed

**FESTIVALS** | With the weather cooling down this weekend — well, sort of — it might actually be tolerable to venture outdoors and enjoy the city. If you're in the vicinity of 14th and U streets Northwest, you might want to check out the seventh annual Dog Days of August Sidewalk Sale and Festival, hosted by the MidCity Business Association, on 14th Street Northwest between P and U streets on Saturday and Sunday. Remember, the District's sales-tax holiday on individual clothing under \$100 will be in effect.

If you're afraid of dogs, steer clear — but if you love 'em, head on down to 10th and U streets Northwest for the third annual "Best in Show" dog contest, which will take place

Saturday from 9 to 10:30 a.m.

The festival will run from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. on Saturday, and 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Sunday. **MICHAEL GRASS (EXPRESS)**

### Another Extension

**PARKING** | Arlington County officials have granted yet another grace period for zoned 2005-06 residential parking permits, this time through Sept. 4. Officials have asked residents who don't receive 2006-07 permits in the mail by Aug. 15 to contact the parking officials for temporary stickers. **M.G.**

### What, No Handles?

**COMPLAINTS** | Metrorail commuters continue to post comments to



**GRAB HOLD:** Reconfigured Metrorail cars have more ceiling rails, fewer poles.

**READEXPRESS.COM** about reconfigured train car interiors meant to open up space inside by removing train seats.

Says BLN: "Why is it that Metro still has not incorporated the handles that swing down from the top bars? This would be similar to the ones on [some] subway cars [in New York City], or the ones used

on Denver's light-rail system. Unfortunately, unless I decided to wear heels on any particular day, forget the ceiling bar; chair handle it is." **M.G.**

### → Coming Up Today

Express' Arion Berger continues her weekly series picking apart Bravo's "Project Runway."

## Poll Center

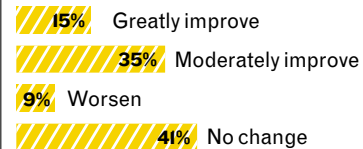
### TODAY'S QUESTION

Will offering services for free stop AOL's decline?

- Yes
- No

### YESTERDAY'S RESULTS

How will U.S.-Cuba relations change if Fidel Castro dies?



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"Only 97 degrees at Dulles? It sure felt a lot worse than that. The temperature readout on my car read 99-103 on the way home [on Tuesday]."

**BLOG.HORLIKA.COM** DOUBTS TUESDAY'S OFFICIAL TEMPERATURE READING AT DULLES AIRPORT.

### Night the Music Died

"Please tick up your thermostats one or two degrees on Thursday so as not to overtax the power grid and make the rescheduled Sleater-Kinney show explode."

**A DCIST.COM** COMMENTER MAKES A PLEA TO THOSE LIVING NEAR THE 9:30 CLUB, AFTER A CONCERT HAD TO BE EVACUATED TUESDAY NIGHT BECAUSE OF REPAIRS NEEDED ON AN ELECTRICAL TRANSFORMER.



### Drink 'Til You Drop

"People are getting burned out on KICKBALL? Just so we're clear, kickball is a sport that you play for about an hour before you go drink for five hours. Exactly what do these people need a breather from?"

**KICKBALLINTHECITY.BLOGSPOT.COM** GOT WISHY-WASHY RESPONSES WHEN TRYING TO ORGANIZE VARIOUS KICKBALL LEAGUES IN D.C. FOR INTER-LEAGUE PLAY.

### Attendance Required

"Even if she had shown up, the single still wouldn't have flopped. They could've spent \$3 billion and hired some dancing elephants, but that still wouldn't have saved it. Bad music is bad music."

**THESUPERFICIAL.COM** ON LINDSAY LOHAN, DROPPED BY HER UK RECORD LABEL AFTER FAILING TO DO A PROMOTIONAL TOUR.



### Fidel's Regime Isn't Dead Yet

"... [T]he right-wing 'exiles' in Miami are kidding themselves if they think Cuba becomes a democracy the instant Fidel's ticker stops. Despite popular American perceptions of Cuba, it's not a one-man regime. Fidel has built a vast bureaucracy that can and will go on after his death."

**AUTOMOPLANE.BLOGSPOT.COM** SAYS THAT EVEN IF CUBAN DICTATOR FIDEL CASTRO DIES, HIS REGIME WILL LIVE ON.

## Live Online

### Castro's Brother

**BRIAN LATELL**, author of "After Fidel: The Inside Story of Castro's Regime and Cuba's Next Leader," was online Wednesday at [washingtonpost.com](http://washingtonpost.com) to discuss Cuba's transfer of power.

**I know Raul Castro runs the military and is the "enforcer," but other than that, is there any truth to the widely held belief that he is characteristically more oppressive than Fidel?**

Raul should actually be considered more complex than Fidel. Raul certainly has a long record of brutality and association with the harshest policies the Cuban Revolution has pursued, especially during its first few decades in power. In the beginning, he was probably more radical than Fidel. But since the end of the USSR, the brothers seem to have reversed roles. Fidel is now the more intransigent, dogmatic, and ideologically fixed. Raul is now more pragmatic.

**Why wouldn't Raul Castro come out on television at this time to reas-**

**sure the population and to reinforce his own power?**

Over the years, he has generally shied from public performances. He is not a good public speaker and knows it. He lacks Fidel's charismatic qualities and does not like to be seen as inferior in this regard. Perhaps these sensitivities are especially acute now that he is in the process of taking over. He may also be very busy securing his flanks, meeting with many top officials, etc. But you are right: He will need to come out into public view soon and be both reassuring and convincing in his new role.

**What policy changes, if any, do you see coming from a Raul-led government in terms of land reforms or loosening of stifling controls over the economy. How do you think the U.S. should respond to Cuba, post-Fidel?**

I believe that once he has consolidated power and feels he has a degree of popular support, that Raul will begin cautiously and gradually implementing economic reforms. The goal would be to liberalize and decentralize the economy, to allow more individual initiative and private entrepreneurship.



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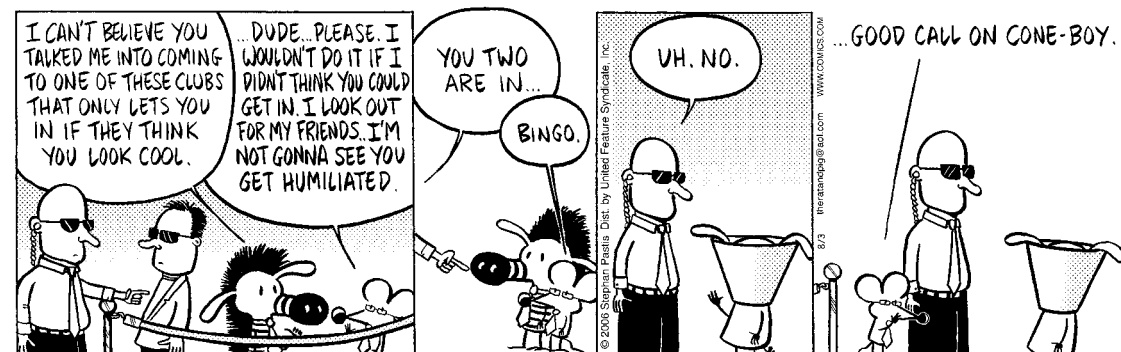
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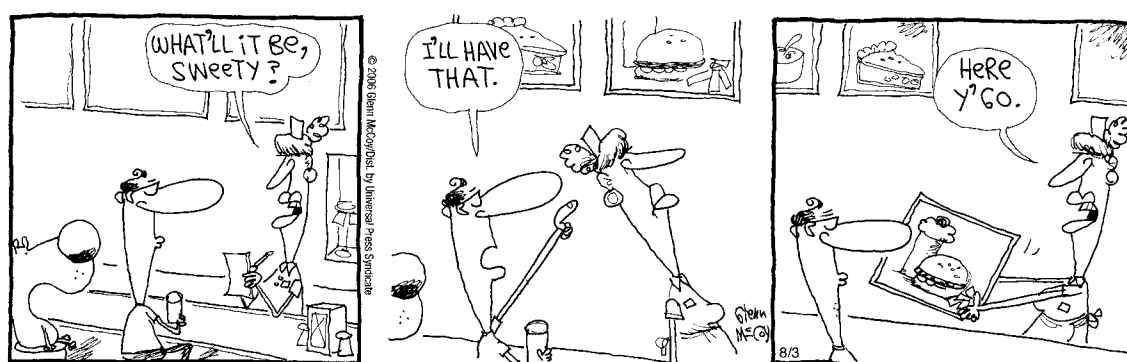
**Pooch Cafe** | Paul Gilligan



**Pearls Before Swine** | Stephan Pastis



**The Duplex** | Glenn McCoy



## Horoscope

By Stella Wilder

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)** Your tendency to criticize anything you do not understand will surely hold you back—and may even prevent you from fitting in at all.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)** A practical, down-to-earth approach to even the loftiest issues can only win you respect and results. Don't get enigmatic, flighty.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)** Those developments you find most intriguing may also carry with them the greatest risk of personal danger. Be circumspect; use caution.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)** You're in the mood to take the reins; see if you can't be in control while maintaining a light, accepting attitude.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)** What comes to you in one form may not leave looking anything like its former self. This and other cryptic messages abound at this time.

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

temptation to comment on yourself and your work. Do your job, let others do theirs and cooperation will thrive.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)** Talk and action go hand in hand—but don't mistake one for the other. There are times when each must take precedence.

**PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)** You're one for the simple things, and you will do anything to avoid overcomplicating even the most routine domestic affairs.

**ARIES (March 21-April 19)** Unlike your Pisces neighbor, you may find yourself in the mood for something complex, mysterious, clandestine. Use great care.

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20)** Though you may seem to be impersonal at times, you are simply being business-like. Still, there may be room for you to warm up a little.

**GEMINI (May 21-June 20)** You're in need of a little more emotional security at this time—but make sure you're more receptive to it when it comes your way.

**CANCER (June 21-July 22)** Don't play with anyone's affections—including your own. The risk of permanent emotional damage may be great at this time.

## Letters

**Wrong Priorities in Big Easy**  
**IN THE JULY 31 ARTICLE** highlighting six killings in New Orleans ("Shootings Tarnish Big Easy's Image"), I found the final quote by one of the city's council members to be very enlightening. She was "tremendously bothered because there are so many great things about New Orleans ... But this is what people will be reading about." It's like the

joke I used to tell about the majority's attitude toward violence in the African-American community: "Hey, could you keep the murders down over there? We don't wanna scare off the tourists."  
 —JUDITH MAY  
*New Orleans native*

**Correction:**

An attribution was accidentally cut from a Blog Log quote in Wednesday's edition about D.C. Council member Adrian Fenty's wine tastes. The originating blog was winesmith.blogspot.com.

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## Today in History

**1492** Christopher Columbus set sail from Spain on a voyage that took him to the Americas.

**1949** The National Basketball Association was formed as a merger of the Basketball Association of America and the National Basketball League.

**1980** Closing ceremonies were held in Moscow for the

Summer Olympic Games, which had been boycotted by dozens of countries, including the United States.

**1981** U.S. air traffic controllers went on strike, despite a warning from President Reagan they would be fired, which they were.

**1993** The Senate voted 96-3 to confirm Supreme Court nominee Ruth Bader Ginsburg.

**1996** At the Atlanta Olympics, the U.S. men's basketball "Dream Team" beat Yugoslavia 95-69 to win the gold.

# LOOK out

## People



SCOTT HEPPELL/AP

Elton would also really like America to adopt British-style libel laws.

### WHATEVER Good Charlotte Takes Note, Returns to Bland Rock-Pop

**ELTON JOHN** says he'd like American bands to adopt the cutting-edge, glam-rock style made popular by his peers. "It's been a thing the British have always been very good at, with Bowie, myself, T.Rex, the Who, Queen. ... We all embraced that side of it," John, 59, tells *Fashion Rocks* magazine. (AP)

### KEVIN FACTS He Has a Rock Band

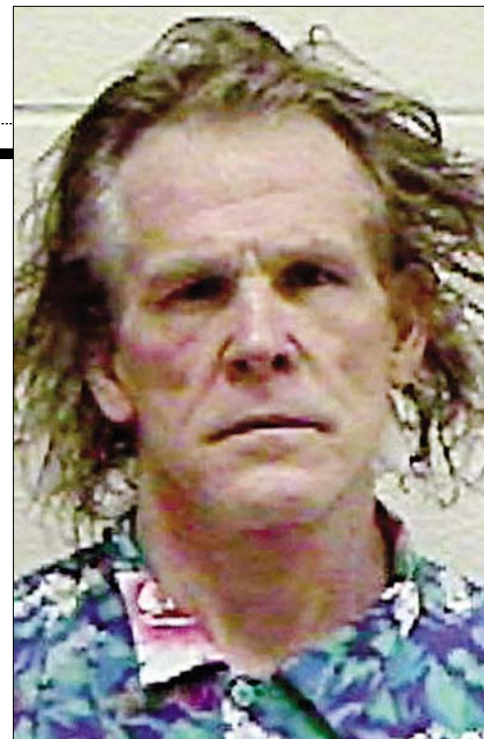
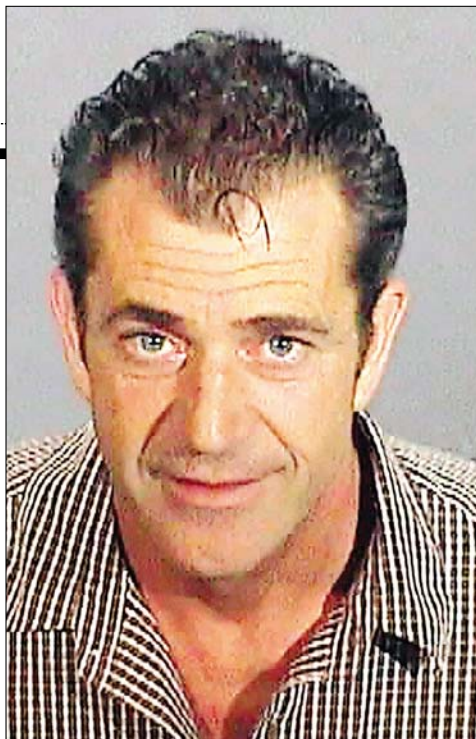
**KEVIN COSTNER** hasn't shown in Dyersville, Iowa, since filming "Field of Dreams" in 1989. Now comes word that Costner will appear Aug. 11 at the baseball field in Dyersville as part of a "Rolling Roadshow" tour, in which 10 classic movies are being shown at the sites of their filming. Costner will play a free concert with his unnamed rock band. (AP)



### SMACKDOWN

## Mel Mug vs. Nick Mug

**MEL GIBSON**, who was charged Wednesday with misdemeanor drunken driving, having an elevated blood-alcohol level and having an open container of liquor in his car, is only the latest celeb to find trouble on the Pacific Coast Highway. **NICK NOLTE** was caught driving under the influence of GHB in 2002. Robert Downey Jr. was taken into custody in 1996 after he was stopped for speeding and officers found cocaine, heroin and a pistol in his car. (AP)



### RETURNS

#### Ohhh, Clay Aiken's Agent Is Totally Panicking. Not.

**RUBEN STUDDARD** returns to R&B with his third album, set for release Sept. 26. "The Return," signifies his coming back to the mainstream after recording the 2004 gospel album, "I Need an Angel," Studdard said in a

statement. "I've had people ask me where I've been in the past few years,



so I thought calling it 'The Return' made sense," said Studdard, who won "American Idol" in May 2003. (AP)

### UNWATCHED

#### Next, Maybe They Can Host the Technical Oscars

**PENN & TELLER** will host the Creative Arts Emmys ceremony. The two "defy labels and their genre of magic and offbeat humor will no doubt provide us with one mind-boggling show," Spike Jones Jr., the show's producer, said Tuesday. The duo regularly performs in Las Vegas and has appeared on numerous TV shows, including their own Showtime program. (AP)



CHRIS PIZELLO/AP

The Creative Arts Emmys are slightly more impressive than the Daytime ones.



EVAN AGOSTINI/GETTY IMAGES

### CONTRITION

#### Hilary Continues to Make Amends for Calling Waldorf 'A Pretty Ghetto Place'

**HILARY DUFF** took the stage of Crown Coliseum in Fayetteville, N.C., Tuesday night in a free concert for military families. The multiplatinum recording artist performed "Hilary Duff Rocks for the Troops." Those in attendance were either in the military (Fort Bragg is nearby) or have a military family member. Duff has previously made a block of tickets available for military families but decided this time to perform just for them. "I think she understands, or at least wants to try to understand, the sacrifices soldiers and their families make," said Cynthia Ivins, who brought her two children, 13-year-old Morgan and 9-year-old Denise, to the concert. (AP)

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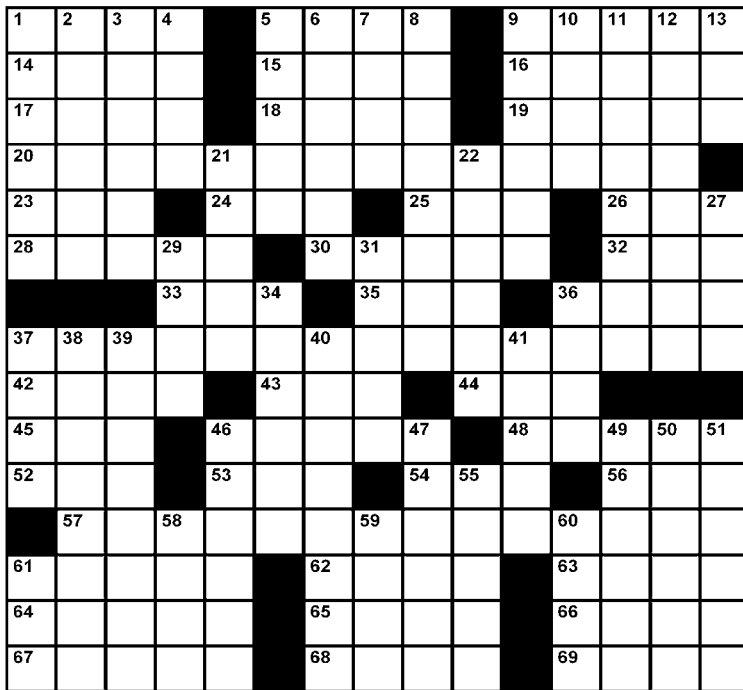
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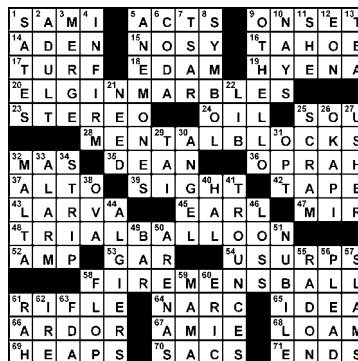
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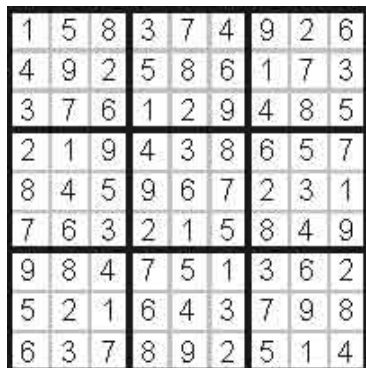


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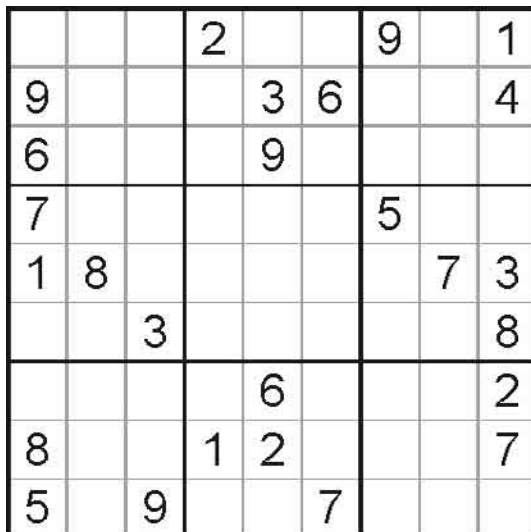
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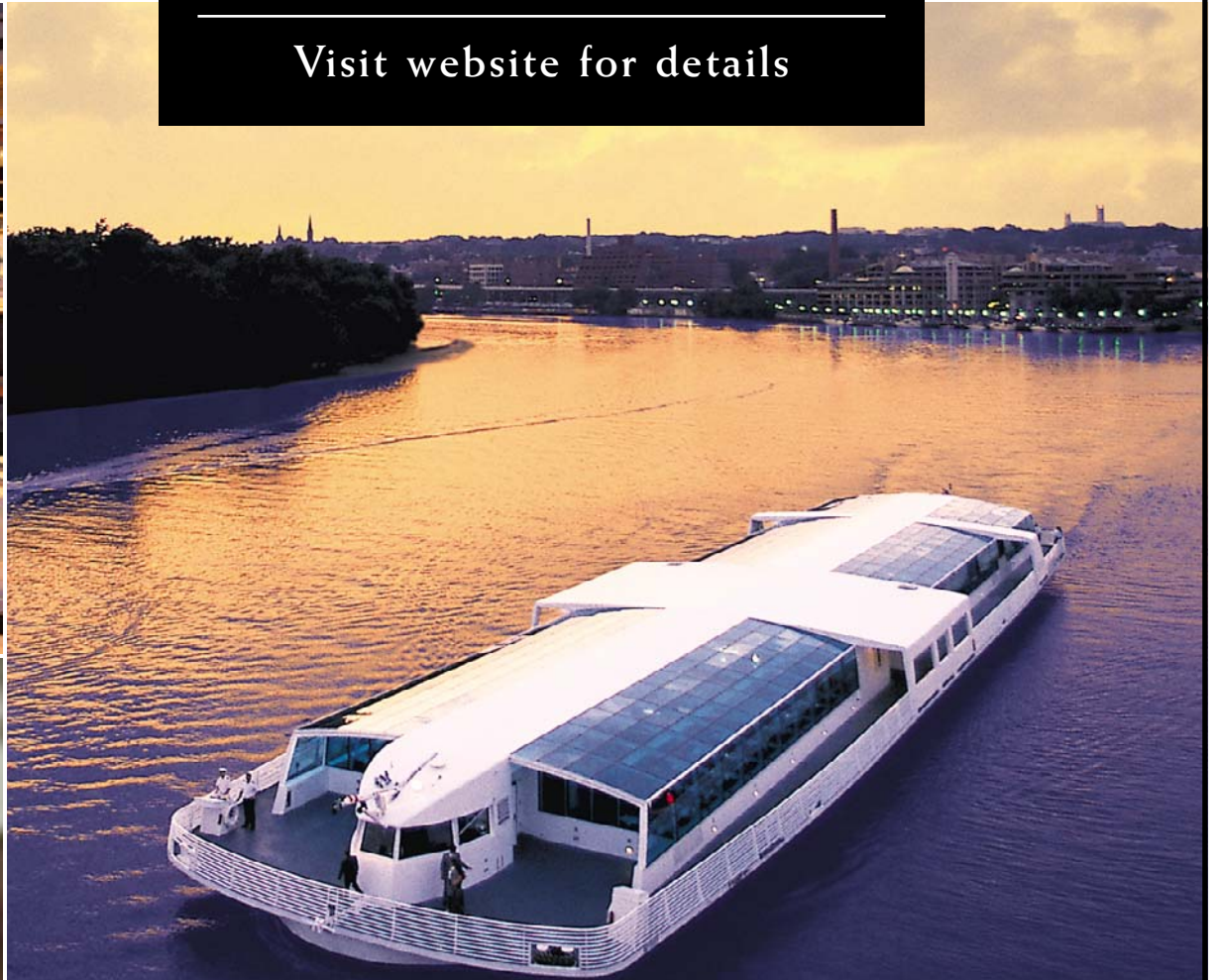
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# on the]spot

**\* NAME:** Louis Pepe and Keith Fulton **GIG:** Directors of the indie film "Brothers of the Head"

**AFTER FILMING** "Lost in La Mancha," documenting Terry Gilliam's ill-fated attempt to make film "The Man Who Killed Don Quixote," Pepe, Fulton and the writer Tony Grisoni were casting about for another project. Grisoni introduced the directorial team to an ambitious novel by renowned science-fiction writer Brian Aldriss. Thus was born "Brothers of the Head," a docu-style drama about conjoined brothers who become punk-rock stars. The film is awash in tragedy, comedy, lowdown glamour, sex, drugs and congenital birth defects, and its audaciousness — and the undeniable allure of stars Luke and Harry Treadaway — has got the film world abuzz.

**You two are sort of Siamese twins,**

**right? The two-headed director.**

**LOU:** Yeah. [Laughs.] I mean, you know that Keith and I not only work together, but we live together?

**No. Wow.**

**LOU:** So, two people inextricably bound together, creative collaboration — yeah, we were aware of the parallels. But as we got into the process of making the film, it became about the identity crisis that occurs in any close relationship — "Where do I end and you begin?" Conjoined twins are a great metaphor for this.

**Is it difficult to work together?**

**LOU:** I think that culturally we somehow got this thing about auteurs — we think genius resides in one brain. But if you look to music, for example, you see that sometimes genius exists in the spark between people.

**Did you make significant changes**



**DOUBLE SHOT:** Harry and Luke Treadaway as the twins who rocked the punk world.

**from the book?**

**LOU:** When you read it, it does seem slightly unfilmable. But in these conflicting accounts of people who knew Tom and Barry ... that seemed to us the same approach a documentary filmmaker would take.

**It's all just shaping material.**

**LOU:** Especially when you get into the realm of the uncanny, watching something that helps you suspend your disbelief a little bit more is welcome. ... And the boundary between

documentary and fiction is kind of arbitrary in a lot of ways.

**It seems plausible that rock bands are sort of single organisms.**

**KEITH:** I think music is a really interesting place for that. You look at these creative collaborations — a string quartet, even. No one's conducting them, but they have to be attentive to each other and play off each other.

**It's a disconcertingly sexy film.**

**"[The film] became about the identity crisis that occurs in any close relationship."**

**KEITH:** It's partly a punk thing, the polymorphous perversity of the punk scene. But part of the eroticism of the movie comes from the physicality of Tom and Barry.

**There's a third presence in the brothers' lives — is this malignancy metaphorical?**

**KEITH:** It's basically unknowable. It is the unity between the brothers, it is the symbiosis, it is the muse, it what's makes them tick.

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# Eggheads and Aesthetes

Science and art meet in Steve Martin's whimsical 'Picasso'

STAGE | Picasso walks into a bar and meets Einstein. He plants a boozy smooch on the physicist.

There's really no punch line; it's just the painter's entrance into Steve Martin's "Picasso at the Lapin Agile," currently staged by Keegan Theatre at the Gunston Arts Center. This quirky play puts forth a hypothetical meeting between these two wild-and-crazy guys in the dawn of their respective geniuses.

It's the subject of endless academic debate: The value of art versus science. The brash, mercurial Picasso (Mark Rhea) scoffs at the notion that egghead Einstein's (Eric Lucas) mathematics could be



**DISCUSS AMONG YOURSELVES:** Conversation is a trickster and heated debate the order of the day in the philosophical but funny play "Picasso at the Lapin Agile."

as beautiful as his paintings.

The two duke it out artistically until they come to the conclusion that each man's work is equally miraculous.

Not being able to leave well enough alone, however, Martin tosses in many flights of fancy, and as a result, the second half isn't as enjoyable as the first — the later a character is introduced, the generally less effective.

Lucas' subtle turn as Einstein outshines the scenery-chewing Rhea as Picasso. Backed by an amusing supporting cast, the play is witty, engaging and short enough to make up for its falling off the rails a bit at the end. ERIN TROMPETER

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# The Sound of Violence

## Play! gives gamers' favorite tunes the royal treatment

**OUT & ABOUT** | In Japan, Nobuo Uematsu is a pop star. You hear his music everywhere you go. And if you head back home, he's there, too, in the PlayStation. Starting in 1987, Uematsu-san has scored the lion's share of the mega-popular "Final Fantasy" series of role-playing games.

It was only natural that when concert producer Jason M. Paul brought the 20-year-old Japanese phenomenon of live orchestral performances of video game scores to the U.S., he would start with "Dear Friends — Music From Final Fantasy."

Two years later, Paul is furthering his quest "to bring orchestral video game music to the masses" with "Play! A Video Game Symphony." On Friday at Wolf Trap, the National Symphony Orchestra will perform the work of Uematsu and his countrymen, Koji Kondo ("Super Mario Bros.") and Akira Yamaoka ("Silent Hill"), alongside the compositions of such rising talents as Jeremy Soule ("Prey").

"The element that I added to it in the U.S. — but it had never been done — was visuals," said Paul. Scenes from the games will play as the NSO — augmented by the Master Chorale of Washington — performs themes and suites from a whole stack of games.

However dazzling the full-motion video and game play footage, conductor and music director Arnie Roth is adamant that the emphasis remains on the vast sonic palette of the orchestra itself.

"The beauty of this series is that it is a totally live music concert," he said. "It's not relying on pre-recorded elements. It's not relying on some light show or visual spec-



**TRIUMPHALISM UNDER THE STARS:** The pleasure of attending "Play! A Video Game Symphony at Wolf Trap" won't just be in the astonishing visuals, but also in the music, various scores from some of the most popular and innovative video games.

tacular. These scores come to life every night, and I think that that is an astounding experience for most of the real hardcore video game fans."

Although he's fairly new to video game music, Roth has an extensive list of multimedia concert credits. He isn't simply sawing through slavish imitations of heavily compressed tracks made to blare from tinny TV speakers.

"I've worked with all the composers," he said. "We fine-tune a lot of this stuff, by tiny beats-per-minute of tempi and tiny little bits of balance ... constantly."

As the tour progresses, Paul is encountering a broader audience than one might expect. "Sure, we have the hardcore gamers," he said, "but we also have general music concertgoers, people who actually appreciate classical music, families

who just want to be entertained, movie soundtrack fans."

Even if you've never fragged aliens as the Master Chief or rescued Zelda from Ganon, it shouldn't give you pause. Paul noted, "This music can be appreciated by all."

GLENN DIXON

→ Wolf Trap, Filene Center, 1551 Trap Road, Vienna; Fri., 8:30 p.m.; \$18-\$42; 877-965-3872.

## Top Stops

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NIKKI TURNER

### Tales From the Hood

The self-proclaimed "queen of hip-hop fiction," Turner's titles (including "Hustler's Life" and "Project Girls") feature strong women, positive lessons and lurid grime. Turner — now



working on 50 Cent's "G-Unit Books" line — shares her latest, "Riding Dirty on I-95."

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#### Sleaze Without End

**3** Eighties glam-metal stars Faster Pussycat have returned with a dark, industrial-flavored new disc. Ex-Guns N' Roses drummer Steven Adler opens for F.P. with Adler's Appetite, which, fortunately, sounds like GN'R. Fellow L.A.-in-the-day rockers Bang Tango round out the bill.

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# A Growing Clientele

## Pretty English pop band adds strings and gets even better

**MUSIC** | Some of the best relationships start with simple admiration.

Alasdair MacLean, the guiding force behind the London-based indie pop band the Clientele, playing Iota Thursday, and Louis Philippe, the man responsible for the lush strings of the band's latest album, "Strange Geometry," met long before they started collaborating.

"I would meet him for drinks a lot in the old days," MacLean said. "Nobody was telling him that his music was any good and nobody was telling me mine was either, so we would tell each other."

This friendship led to a professional relationship that has proved to be quite fruitful, with Philippe now playing the Beatles-esque band's George Martin role.

MacLean adjusted his songwriting to accommodate Philippe's contributions.



**THEY LOOK LIKE THEY SOUND:** Mature, sophisticated, urban and wistful — with a preference for warm, pretty things.

"I'll leave space in songs for an arranger to add something, whereas in the early days, every note was accounted for," MacLean said. "Now,

I'm more relaxed and able to hand over elements of the songs. As Louis puts it, let him 'sprinkle his fairy dust on the record.'"

After this tour, the Clientele is heading to Nashville, where it will be record its new album with Lambchop and Bonnie "Prince"

Billy producer Marky Nevers. The songs, which MacLean said will be flamenco-influenced and danceable, will then be shipped off to Philippe to work on.

While it would be nearly impossible for the Clientele to recreate Philippe's string arrangements on the road — though there will be a violinist on hand to try — live, the band still recreates the beautifully somber atmosphere of the album.

For more of our talk with Alasdair MacLean, visit [readexpress.com](http://readexpress.com)

"It seems like an art gallery," the singer said. "People walk in reverentially and think about everything very deeply. You want them to dance sometimes."

During an earlier tour, couples in the front rows often made out, which MacLean found disconcerting.

"I felt like throwing a beer over them or something," he said. "Our second album was a lot of people's bedroom album, but that seems to have phased itself out, because "Strange Geometry" is such a ... depressing album."

SCOTT ROSENBERG (EXPRESS)

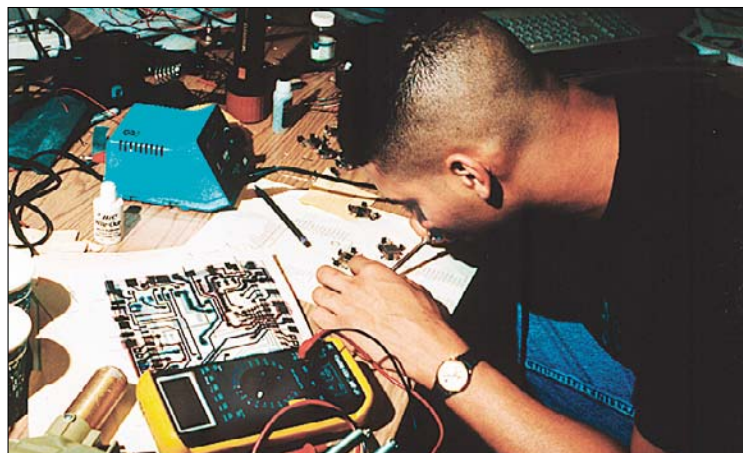
→ *Iota Club & Cafe, 2832 Wilson Blvd., Arlington; with Great Lakes, Thu., 9 p.m., \$13; 703-522-8340. (Clarendon)*

# One Percent Inspiration

## Smithsonian marks Inventors' Month — for one weekend

**MUSEUMS** | August is National Inventors' Month (you heard it here first) and to celebrate, the Smithsonian presents "Invention on the Mall," a weekend-long series that explores the breadth and diversity of invention.

The celebration's highlights include "Science Fiction: The Blue Print for Science Innovation," a lecture illustrating how science fiction inspires designers and engineers, "Meet the Inventors," a panel discussion with four inventors and "Inventing Electronic Music Workshop," where participants can try their hands at creating their own electronic music with state-of-the-art music production software.



Plato and Frank Zappa got it wrong: The National Mall is the mother of invention.

These are just the tip of the iceberg: There are tons of other interesting and interactive invention-themed exhibits running through Sunday.

VANESSA JOYCE

→ *National Air & Space Museum,*

*6th St. & Independence Ave. SW; 202-633-1000. [invention.smithsonian.org/events](http://invention.smithsonian.org/events). (Smithsonian)*

*National Museum of American History; 14th St. & Constitution Ave. NW; 202-633-1000; [invention.smithsonian.org/events](http://invention.smithsonian.org/events). (Smithsonian)*

## DANCE | WATCHING THEIR MOTION'S ALSO A JOY



**THE LIGHTER SIDE OF THE MIDDLE EAST:** Joy of Motion Dance Center students choreographed solo works of Middle Eastern dance and will present these pieces of artistry Sunday at the Jack Guidone Theater (located at 5207 Wisconsin Ave. NW) in a performance complete with authentic costumes and traditional music from the region.



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# Two Sorts of Paradise

## Are the Lesser Birds folkie weirdos or secret superheroes?

**MUSIC** | Mark Janka leads a secret life. By day, he is Mr. Janka to his classes of high school freshmen. By night, weekend and summer break, his surrealist visions and finger-picked guitar propel Lesser Birds of Paradise, a Chicago quartet playing at DC9 on Thursday.

But Janka doesn't suffer from the angst of your average playboy-cum-superhero. "I want my persona at work to be Mr. Janka the teacher, not Mark Janka the folkie weirdo driving around in a van," he said. He's not immune to the lure of the sidekick, though. "I did a secret songwriters' club because I met some kids who were into songwriting. I kept a four-track in my closet, and they'd come make songs



**UNDERCOVER ANGELS:** Mark Janka, center, teaches children when he's not making surrealist beautiful pop-folk.

after school."

These musical apprenticeships fit with the handmade feel of the Lesser Birds' front-porch epics.

Janka is a disciple of the distinctive guitar styles of John Fahey and Mississippi John Hurt, which favor five-finger plucking over use of a

pick. The songs luxuriate in languid, watercolored atmospherics from Tim Joyce's slide guitar and keys, Greg Thomas' drums and saw and

Ben Schulman's harmonica. Janka's bittersweet wit spins off-kilter narratives of characters whose secret powers are not quite super enough to conquer daily life.

The band's new album, "Space Between," provides an excellent excuse to shed the respectable secret identity and go be folkie weirdos. "I love touring," said Janka. "It's fun to drive around and see different cities, see people we only see on tours, get an excuse to be in their city. Music people tend to bring with them a lot of culture and know the weird, unique things about their town. It's a way to really get to the heart of a place really quickly. On a simple road trip, we would never see these cities the same way."

The Lesser Birds' new song, "A Rehearsal," tells of "a man who knew too much, with all his Ph.D.s and stuff, all he did was whine and fuss, then one day he'd had enough ..." Janka might deny the whiff of autobiography, but then, in the great American tradition, he has a secret life to maintain. **BOB MASSEY**

→ DC9, 1940 9th St. NW; Thu., 9 p.m. \$8; 202-483-5000. (U St.-Cardozo)

# Germs Still Infectious

## A sick Los Angeles punk band comes down with a reunion

**MUSIC** | The Germs, coming to the Black Cat on Saturday, are something of a rock 'n' roll Frankenstein.

The Los Angeles punk band's singer, Darby Crash, committed suicide in 1980; in the decades since, the surviving Germs played in a host of bands, including the Foo Fighters and 45 Grave. Now they've reunited, adding actor Shane West (Dr. Ray Barnett on "ER,") who plays Crash in the upcoming biopic "What We Do Is Secret."

Despite early comparisons with the Sex Pistols, the Germs didn't achieve Pistols-level notoriety. (Though they may have had better music, lyrics and drugs.) When asked about the comparison, Germs guitarist Pat Smear said, "We're the best on our continent, and they were the best on theirs."



**PUNK'S NOT DEAD, JUST ILL:** Germs hit the road with an actor behind the mic.

Smear, composer of most of the quartet's timeless glam-punk riffs, said he'd never considered reforming the band until they played a party with West for kicks. It was so much fun that now the act's booked through October.

While agreeing with an old review calling the Germs sick, hedonistic and violent, Smear said he recalls those days as a happy time in his life, adding that "it was a funny time, too. The whole thing was a laugh ... Everyone tried to out-funny each other."

Though Smear said Crash was "the smartest guy I ever knew," he thinks the singer's early death was caused by his "stupid side." Smear and the Germs have done Crash — who famously came up with a musical "Five Year Plan" to become a star and die young — one better. "I have the hundred-year-plan," Smear said. "His was more short-sighted." **TIM FOLLOS (EXPRESS)**

→ Black Cat, 1811 14th St. NW; with Deep Sleep, Polynation, 9:30 p.m., \$15; 202-667-7960. (U St.-Cardozo)

## OPERA | A MUSICAL JOURNEY



**HOOK 'EM WHILE THEY'RE YOUNG:** In an effort to make opera accessible to a younger audience — a *much* younger audience — the Washington National Opera is inaugurating a new "Family Opera" program, which begins this weekend at the Round House Theatre with "Dream of the Pacific," a musical celebration of the Lewis and Clark expedition. Now if only they had a plan to lure twentysomethings into opera houses ...

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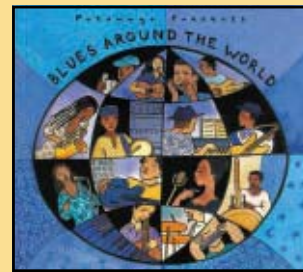
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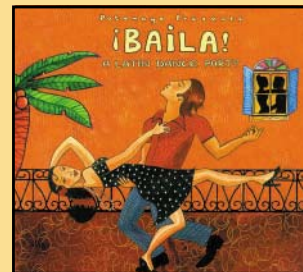
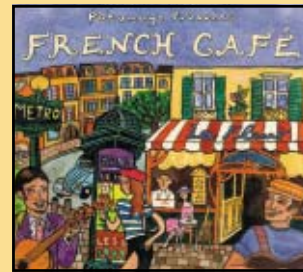
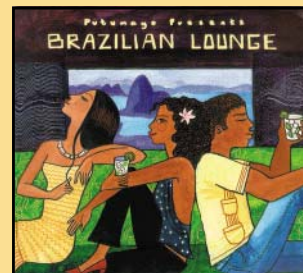
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# An Air of Permanence

## The Rentals decide to make a commitment to indie power-pop

**MUSIC** | When "Return of the Rentals" came out in 1995, the whipsmart power-pop band had a built-in expiration date. A side project for Weezer bassist Sharp, the Rentals "essentially just embraced that idea of it is what it is where it is when it is with whomever was there." After a 1999 release, the Rentals drifted apart to focus on their other musical projects, but recently, Sharp decided to devote his musical existence to this group. And a happy choice it was for fans, one attuned to dreamy Moog synthesizers, masculine/feminine harmonies and bittersweet melodies that stick to the roof of your mouth.

### When do you decide to go with the Rentals full time?

A little over a year ago I was basically standing at a crossroads.



**WE'RE MOVING IN:** The six-person outfit lets a Moog drive home the songs' emotional points; it's less cheesy than dreamy.

And then I met a few people. I met [vocalist and multi-instrumentalist] Sarah Radle, and this idea of going forward with another Rentals album and putting together a group

to tour and record and do all that stuff was the idea that seemed the most honest to me.

### Is this recording different for you?

The thing about the first album was that in the true sense it was never really a band. It was never a group of people that depended on each other and were there for each other

no matter what. It was more or less a revolving-door kind of group.

### Do you have the unity now?

Yeah, we're trying to do that. ... We've been very careful to put together the right people that care about each other and will be together a long time to come.

### Are your inspirations old new wave or modern pop or what?

I think you just try to write the best kind of songs that you can. Once you strip a song down to its raw frame, it doesn't fit in any category.

### What's next for the Rentals?

We're taking different ideas in the group to figure out where we want to go, but in the meantime, we're concentrating on getting ready to get out on the road. We played our first show of this tour a week ago.

### How did it feel?

It felt psychotic. We played two shows, and the first show had almost no emotion for me except for adrenaline. I thought I was going to have a heart attack. ARION BERGER (EXPRESS)

→ 9:30 Club, 815 V St. NW; with Ozma, Sat., 10 p.m., \$25; 202-265-0930. (U St.-Cardozo)

# Nasty, Brutish and Hot

## Strapping Young Lad is laughing all the way to the Ozzfest

**FESTIVALS** | There will be no shortage of hardcore and metal bands playing at Ozzfest at the Nissan Pavilion on Sunday. But Strapping Young Lad is sure to stick out as the most vicious band in the festival, and that's saying a lot.

SYL is led by the Canadian bipolar singer/guitarist Devin Townsend, who is also a producer and solo artist. Strapping Young Lad's latest offering, "The New Black" — whose over-the-top tunes include "U Suck" and "Decimator" — is as brutal as it is humorous.

"We were very inspired by the idea of doing Ozzfest," said Townsend, "and the concept we were running with on this record



**WHAT BIG CHORDS YOU HAVE:** SYL out-intenses most other Ozzfest participants.

is really based on abhorring the current music scene, yet being a part of it in some weird way."

And "weird" certainly describes "The New Black," which contains the expected as well as the unexpected — sudden short, melodic passages; a jazz break; and a cameo by none other than GWAR's Oderus Urungus. GREGORY RE

→ Nissan Pavilion, 7800 Cellar Door Drive, Bristow, Va.; with Ozzy Osbourne, System of a Down, Avenged Sevenfold, Disturbed, Hatebreed, Lacuna Coil, Dragonforce, Zakk Wylde, Atreyu, Bleeding Through, Unearth, Norma Jean, The Red Chord, Walls of Jericho, Between the Buried and Me, Full Blown Chaos, All That Remains, Sun., 9 a.m., \$27.63-\$130; 800-551-7328.

## DANCE PARTY | FOOTLOOSE



**PLUGGED IN TO MULTIMEDIA STARDOM:** The electro-pop duo Dangerous Muse is part of a new generation of download-only artists making their names over broadband connections instead of radio waves. And Mike Furey and Mikel Korbic are doing it better than most, reaching No. 2 on the iTunes dance charts with their 2005 release "The Rejection" and scoring a cover shot on the magazine The Advocate. They'll provide the delicious soundtrack to the indie-dance party Tease at DC9 on Saturday.

# Fun in the Fast Lane

## Will Ferrell helmets up for the comedy 'Talladega Nights'

**VRROOM** | Will Ferrell didn't know much about NASCAR before he and his writing partner, Adam McKay, wrote a comedy screenplay involving the wildly popular sport. They just figured that the subject matter would appeal to movie studio executives.

They were right. "Talladega Nights: The Ballad of Ricky Bobby" easily got the green light — or in

this case, the green flag — from Columbia Pictures, with Ferrell starring and McKay directing. And what they didn't know about racing they learned by visiting arenas and talking to legendary drivers.

### How do you think NASCAR fans will respond to this movie?

When we were courting NASCAR, what we told them was that we wanted to make a sports comedy with some awareness of the fun we're having with what they do. At the same time, we made it clear to them that we wanted to make the



**ON-THE-JOB TRAINING:** Ferrell had to change heavy racing tires to prep for his part.

racing look real and intense.

### Is Ricky Bobby based on a real person?

No. It was more just someone who would be fun for me to play, and

cocky and Southern.

### You seem to enjoy doing underwear scenes.

I'm not as comfortable as you would think, but at the same time, what's

the big deal? After three takes, you can do anything. You just kind of forget.

### Do you work out a little bit?

The sad truth is that I have to work out just to look fat.

### Have you been bitten by the racing bug?

One thing that was most impactful to me was that we had to do pit crew school. I thought we were just going to watch these guys do their thing, and they said, "Do you want to try it?" And we were like, "Nooo." The efficiency, speed and accuracy ... was enlightening to me.

### Your co-star, Michael Clarke Duncan, said you really did have to change those 75-pound tires.

Yeah, and the irony is that Michael is the strongest guy, but he was playing the crew chief, so he was like, "Let's go, let's do it." And I'm like, "What am I doing? I'm the producer on this movie." ANGELA DAWSON (ENTERTAINMENT NEWS WIRE)

## Take 10

THE WASHINGTON POST'S FILM CRITICS TACKLE THIS WEEK'S BOX-OFFICE TOP 10

### 1 Miami Vice

The plot is largely meaningless. As the infantile, muttering "stars" of today (Colin Farrell and Jamie Foxx) do their thing, you keep thinking: Who are those guys? STEPHEN HUNTER

### 2 Pirates of the Caribbean: Dead Man's Chest

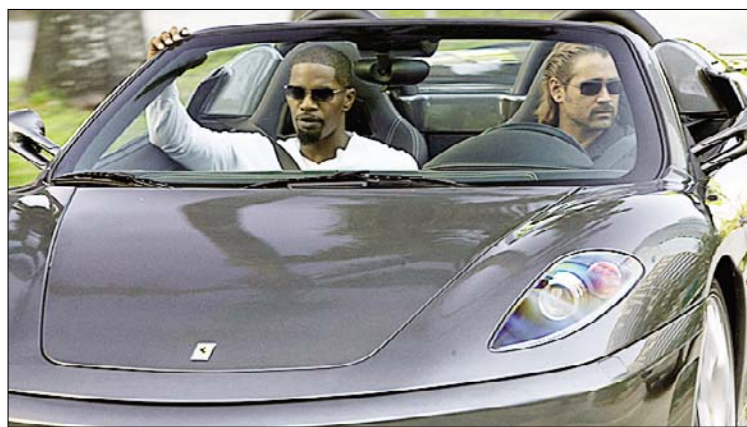
Johnny Depp is still the lovable rascal with frilly sleeves, scheming eyes and fey mien. Just don't look for the collision of innocence and danger that made the first film so provocative. DESSON THOMSON

### 3 John Tucker Must Die

This teen sex-revenge comedy is just another forgettable pastiche of sight gags and pop-culture references. ANN HORNADAY

### 4 Monster House

This animated film is a grisly, often cynical piece of work whose joyless, aggressive spirit is made even less appealing by its soulless visual style. ANN HORNADAY



**STAR TURNS:** Foxx and Farrell are no Philip Michael Thomas and Don Johnson.

### 5 The Ant Bully

This animated movie is an epic adventure with a rigorously moral point of view. Plus, it is technically superb. STEPHEN HUNTER

### 6 Lady in the Water

In a movie laden with symbolism, shamanism and mythic lore, director M. Night Shyamalan never forgets to have fun. DESSON THOMSON

### 7 You, Me and Dupree

The question is how much longer audiences will accept Owen Wilson's shtick as a sun-kissed naif with a heart of gold. ANN HORNADAY

### 8 Little Man

This is about what you'd think a movie

in which a man masquerades as a baby would be — every orifice is covered, and the product of every orifice is also covered. STEPHEN HUNTER

### 9 The Devil Wears Prada

Can smart-girl Andy (Anne Hathaway) survive a year working for the demanding editor (Meryl Streep) of Runway magazine? That's the plot, but Streep makes it fun. JENNIFER FREY

### 10 Clerks II

Director Kevin Smith is again up to profane, raunchy, humanist mischief of which he alone is the master. This is a lewd, lascivious, exhilaratingly life-affirming celebration of misfits and the misfits who love them. ANN HORNADAY

## Indies & Arties

### 'Close Encounters'

Remember when aliens were peaceful and friendly? The Avalon Theater's Kid Cinema Saturdays presents the family-friendly sci-fi classic, "Close Encounters of the Third Kind." Hint to parents: Don't serve mashed potatoes at dinner tonight.

→ *Avalon Theatre, 5612 Connecticut Ave. NW; Sat., 10 a.m., 202-966-6000. (Friendship Heights-Chevy Chase)*

### 'Dark Crystal'

Puppets, magic art and science come together in this still-impressive 1982 spectacle. The Jim Henson Company animatronic children's film is recognized as an artistic and technical achievement at this screening, part of the "Invention on the Mall" festival.

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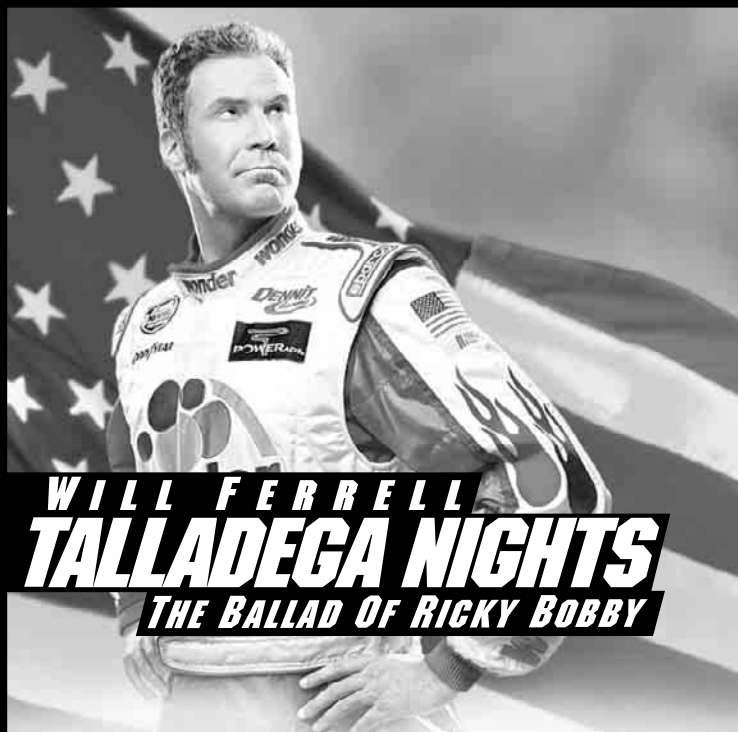
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→ THURSDAY

- Apex:** College Night with DJ Randy White, VJ Steve Rosa, 9 p.m., \$5, free with college ID.
- Arlington Cinema N Draffhouse:** Jimmie's Chicken Shack, 7:30 p.m., \$18.
- Bangkok Blues:** The Grandsons, 7 p.m., \$6.
- Birchmere:** The Waifs, Paul Kelly, 7:30 p.m., \$19.50.
- Black Cat:** Tarantula Ad, Tim Fite, 9 p.m., \$8.
- Blues Alley:** Jimmy McGriff quartet, 8 & 10 p.m., \$25.
- Chick Hall's Surf Club:** Hillbilly Jazz, 9 p.m., \$5.
- Clarice Smith Center:** Summer Youth Music Camp final performance, 6 p.m., free.
- Club Amazon:** Mad House Thursdays, 10 p.m., \$10, ladies free before 11 p.m.
- Crossroads:** Live Reggae Happy Hour, Zone One, Jason Steele, Majestic, 5 p.m., free.

- DC9:** Olivia Mancini and the Housemates, the Lesser Birds of Paradise, Donny Hue and the Colors, Marshall Costan, 9 p.m., \$8.
- Ellington's on Eighth:** BT Richardson & Chris McSwain Blues Jam, 8 p.m., \$10.
- Five:** Latin party with DJs Chris, Manny Fresh & Ty-One, 10 p.m., \$5.
- Fort Reno:** Hard Tomorrows, the Fake Accents, Georgie James, 7:15 p.m., free.
- Iota:** The Clientele, Great Lakes, 9 p.m., \$12.
- Jammin' Java:** Eric Hutchinson, Mutlu, 8 p.m., \$10.
- Kennedy Center:** The Wild Zappers, 6 p.m., free.
- Love:** DJ William, DJ Analyze, 9 p.m., free before 11 p.m. with pass from lovethelclub.com, \$20 after.
- Nissan Pavilion:** Jimmy Buffett and the Coral Reefer Band, 8 p.m., \$36-\$126.
- Platinum:** Reggae/Reggaeton, DJs Qic-Silver, Smokey Joe & José, free with pass from platinumclubdc.com, \$15 after 11 p.m.
- Ram's Head:** Victims of Experience, 8 p.m., \$14.
- State Theatre:** Sam Bush, 9 p.m., \$24.
- Twins Jazz:** D.C.'s Young Lions, 8 p.m., \$10-\$30.
- U-Turn:** Live reggae, 9 p.m., \$7.
- Velvet Lounge:** Puddin' Tang, the Coydogs, the Spiderbags, Jason Simon, 9 p.m., \$10.
- Wolf Trap:** Renee Fleming, soprano, Emil

de Cou, conductor, 8:15 p.m., \$20-\$46.

→ FRIDAY

- Apex:** VJs Mark A., Tony Velasco, 9 p.m., \$8.
- Bangkok Blues:** Dan Sachs' Blues, 7 p.m., Vital Synz, 9 p.m., \$7.
- Black Cat:** Depeche Mode dance party, DJ's Steve EP, Killa K, Krasty McNasty, 9:30 p.m., \$9. Ecumenica, 9 p.m., \$5 (backstage).
- Blues Alley:** Jimmy McGriff quartet, 8 & 10 p.m., \$25.
- Bohemian Caverns:** Clarence Turner Band, 9 p.m., free.
- Chick Hall's Surf Club:** Heroes and Friends, 10 p.m., \$2.
- Club Amazon:** Rare Essence, 10 p.m., \$10, ladies free before 11 p.m.
- DC9:** Liberation Dance Party, 9:30 p.m., \$5.
- Ellington's on Eighth:** Dan Roberts Trio, 9:30 p.m., \$10.
- Iota:** Dead Heart Bloom, Jupiter One, Sons of Bill, 9 p.m., \$10.
- Jammin' Java:** 33 West, Human Room, North Avenue, 7:30 p.m., \$10.
- Jaxx:** Faster Pussycat, Bang Tango, Adler's Appetite, the Dropouts, Six-Killer, 8 p.m., \$20.
- Kennedy Center:** Kekele, 6 p.m., free.
- Love:** Rick Ross, 9 p.m., \$20.
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- 9:30 Club:** Lionize, Everyone But Pete, the Echoes, 9 p.m., \$10.
- Nissan Pavilion:** Juntos en Concierto, Marc Anthony, Laura Pausini, Marco Antonio Solis, 7 p.m., \$21-\$151.
- Ram's Head:** Marti Jones & Don Dixon, 7:30 p.m., \$22.50.
- Rhodeside Grill:** Copper Sails, 10 p.m., free before 9 p.m., \$5 after.
- State Theatre:** New Riders of the Purple Sage, 9 p.m., \$22.
- Twins Jazz:** Jim Snidero, 9 & 11 p.m., \$15.
- U-Turn:** Live reggae, 9 p.m., \$10.
- Velvet Lounge:** The Lobsters, the Points, Bucks & Gallants, Eric Bradford, 9 p.m., \$10.
- Verizon Center:** Dixie Chicks, 8 p.m., \$49.50-\$78.
- Wolf Trap:** PLAY! A Video Game symphony, Arnie Roth, conductor, 8 p.m., \$22-\$40.
- Zanzibar:** Fresh Fete Fridays, Black & White Affair, Eternal Vibes, DJ Hazzard, 5 p.m., free before 8 p.m.

**→ SATURDAY**

- Apex:** Liquid Ladies, DJ Randy White, 9 p.m., \$8.
- Bangkok Blues:** Oxymorons, 8:30 p.m., \$7.
- Black Cat:** The Germs, Deep Sleep, Polynation, 9:30 p.m., \$15.
- Blues Alley:** Jimmy McGriff quartet, 8 & 10 p.m., \$25.
- Chick Hall's Surf Club:** Smokin Polecats, Mariana Preveti, 9 p.m., \$15.
- Club Amazon:** The L!ssen Band, 10 p.m., ladies free before 11 p.m., \$10 after.
- DC9:** Dangerous Muse, VIP, DJ Ca\$Sidy, 9 p.m., free before 10 p.m., \$10 after.
- Ellington's on Eighth:** Jeff Cosgrove Group, 9:30 p.m., \$10.
- Fur:** Glow Saturdays, Christopher Lawrence, 9:30 p.m., \$20.
- Galaxy Hut:** City-state, Alina Simone, 9:45 p.m., \$5.
- H2O:** Soul Food Saturdays, 9 p.m., \$20.
- Iota:** Indecision, 9:30 p.m., \$12.
- Jammin' Java:** Simon Dawes, the Films, 6 p.m., \$10.
- Jaxx:** "Till Death Do Us Party" U.S. tour, Wednesday 13, Bella Morte, 23 Rainy Days, Burn Me Alive, Nightmare Prophecy, 8 p.m., \$15.
- Kennedy Center:** Vic Chesnutt, 6 p.m., free.
- 9:30 Club:** The Wreckers, Michelle Branch, Jessica Harp, 6 p.m., \$25. The Rentals, Ozma, 10 p.m., \$25.
- Olney Tavern: The Sherwood Blues Band, 9:30 p.m., free.**
- Platinum:** DJ Gemini and guest DJs, (R&B, hip-hop and reggae), 9 p.m., free



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with pass from platinumclubdc.com, \$15 after 11 p.m.

- Ram's Head:** Pure Prairie League, 5:30 & 8:30 p.m., \$35.
- State Theatre:** The Iguanas, 9 p.m., \$20.
- Twins Jazz:** Jim Snidero, 9 & 11 p.m., \$15.
- U-Turn:** Official, the Scare, Generations, Mother Speed, 4 p.m., \$5.
- Velvet Lounge:** Butros Butros, Greg Hoy & the Boys, 9 p.m., \$10.
- Wolf Trap:** The Wizard of Oz, Emil de Cou, conductor, 8:30 p.m., \$18-\$42.

**→ SUNDAY**

- Belmont Country Club:** Ted Nugent, 6 p.m., \$15.
- Black Cat:** Silversun Pickups, Page France, 9 p.m., \$8.
- Blues Alley:** Jimmy McGriff quartet, 8 & 10 p.m., \$25.
- Bohemian Caverns:** Lovedose, 9 p.m., free.

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**POP FOR THE PEOPLE:** Puerto Rican prince of salsa Marc Anthony — also known as Mr. Jennifer Lopez — teams up with Italian pop singer Laura Pausini and Mexican singer-songwriter Marco Antonio Solis at Nissan Pavilion this Friday. All three of these artists have recently won or been nominated for Latin Grammys, and the different genres represented in this star-studded show should appeal to a variety of Latin-music fans.

- Chick Hall's Surf Club:** DC Blues Society Blues Jam, 4 p.m., free.
- DC9:** Taint dance party, 9 p.m., \$8.
- Ellington's on Eighth:** Loide Jorge, 7 p.m., \$10.
- Five:** Trade (alternative lifestyles), 9 p.m., \$10.
- Galaxy Hut:** June Star, New Heathens, 9:45 p.m., \$5.
- Iota:** Shortstack, Vandaveer, J Dimenna, John Bustine, 8:30 p.m., \$10.
- Jammin Java:** Dean Fields, Jonathan Coulton, 8 p.m., \$10.
- Jaxx:** Cellador, Engage, Tugnut, 8 p.m., \$15.
- Kennedy Center:** Ball in the House, 6 p.m., free.
- 9:30 Club:** The Pretenders, IV Thieves, 7:30 p.m., \$45.
- Patriot Center:** Van Morrison, 7 p.m., \$45-\$225.

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- Apex:** 415 22nd St. NW; 202-296-0505.
- Arlington Cinema N Drafthouse:** 2903 Columbia Pike, Arlington; 703-486-2345.
- Bangkok Blues:** 926 W. Broad St., Falls Church; 703-534-0095.
- Belmont Country Club:** 19661 Belmont Manor Lane, Ashburn; 804-794-6700.
- Birchmere:** 3701 Mt. Vernon Ave., Alexandria; 703-549-7500.
- Black Cat:** 1811 14th St. NW; 202-667-7960.
- Blues Alley:** 1073 Wisconsin Ave. NW; 202-337-4141.
- Bohemian Caverns:** 2001 11th St. NW; 202-299-0801.
- Chick Hall's Surf Club:** 4711 Kenilworth

Ave., Bladensburg; 301-927-6310.

- Clarice Smith Center:** University Blvd. & Stadium Drive, College Park; 301-405-2787.
- Club Amazon:** 13501 Baltimore Ave., Laurel, Md.; 301-210-3466.
- Crossroads:** 4103 Baltimore Ave., Bladensburg, Md.; 301-927-1056.
- DC9:** 1940 9th St. NW; 202-483-5000.
- Ellington's on Eighth:** 424 8th St. SE; 202-546-8308.
- Fort Reno:** Chesapeake Street & Nebraska Avenue NW; 202-673-7647.
- Five:** 1214B 18th St. NW; 202-331-7123.
- Fur:** 33 Patterson St. NE; 202-842-3401.
- Galaxy Hut:** 2711 Wilson Blvd., Arlington; 703-525-8646.
- H2O:** 800 Water St. SW; 202-484-6300.
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- Jaxx:** 6355 Rolling Road, Springfield; 703-569-5940.
- Kennedy Center:** 2700 F St. NW; 800-444-1324.
- Love:** 1350 Okie St. NE; 202-636-9030.
- Merrifweather Post Pavilion:** 10475 Little Patuxent Parkway, Columbia, Md.; 410-715-5550.
- 9:30 Club:** 815 V St. NW; 202-265-0930.
- Nissan Pavilion:** 7800 Cellar Door Drive, Bristow; 703-754-6400.
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- Twins Jazz:** 1344 U St. NW; 202-234-0072.
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**Platinum:** DJs Alizay, Trini & Super-slice-Muzik Nashun, free with pass from platinumclubdc.com, \$15 after 11 p.m.

**Ram's Head Tavern:** John Cleary and the Absolute Monster Gentleman, 8 p.m., \$18.50.

**State Theatre:** Gustavo Cerati, 8 p.m., \$29.

**Wolf Trap:** George Benson, Al Jерreau, Raul Midon, 7 p.m., \$25-\$40.

## Sight

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**LAST CHANCE Anacostia Museum:** "New Orleans Black Mardi Gras Indians: Exploring a Community Tradition From an Insider's View," photographic portraits by J. Nash Porter, through Aug. 6, 1901 Fort Place SE; 202-633-1000.

**Ann Loeb Bronfman Gallery:** "Through Their Eyes: Captured Moments of Childhood," photographs by Social Realist artists Godfrey Frankel and Helen Levitt depicting American children during the 1940s, through Aug. 13, 1529 16th St. NW; 202-518-9400.

**Anne C. Fisher Gallery:** "Summer School," monoprints by Martha Oatway that are based on mathematical and scientific symbols and text, small paintings by Carl Lennartson based on James Joyce's "Finnegan's Wake," through Sept. 8, 1054 31st St. NW; 202-625-7555.

**LAST CHANCE Arlington Arts Center:** "New Art Examined," works by 2006 Master of Fine Arts graduates in the Mid-Atlantic region. "Exposing Papers," Jill

Romanoke's solo exhibit of mixed media on paper, both through Aug. 5, 3550 Wilson Blvd., Arlington; 703-248-6800.

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**Conner Contemporary Art:** "Academy 2006," invitational exhibit dedicated to the works of recent fine-art graduates in Washington/Baltimore area college art programs, opens Aug. 4, through Aug. 26, 1730 Connecticut Ave. NW; 202-588-8750.

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 THE DEVIL WEARS PRADA (PG-13) DIG (1130 215 500) 750 1030  
 SUPERMAN RETURNS (PG-13) DIG (1220 345) 710 1035  
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 THE ANT BULLY (PG) DIG (1140 1205 150 215 400 430) 640 700 850 915

MIAMI VICE (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (1200 120 330 440) 700 800 1030  
 CLERKS II (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (140 430) 735 1000  
 MY SUPER EX-GIRLFRIEND (PG-13) DIG (120 420) 715 930  
 LADY IN THE WATER (PG-13) DIG (1140 215 445) 730 1000  
 MONSTER HOUSE (PG) DIG (1250 355) 725 950  
 LITTLE MAN (PG-13) DIG (1240 350) 740 1020  
 YOU, ME AND DUPREE (PG-13) DIG (1135 345) 645 815  
 PIRATES OF THE CARIBBEAN: DEAD MAN'S CHEST (PG-13) DIG (1215 330) 715 1030  
 SUPERMAN RETURNS (PG-13) DIG (100 400) 650 930  
 DESCENT (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (100) 1201

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 JOHN TUCKER MUST DIE (PG-13) DIG (1145 200 415) 745 1010  
 MIAMI VICE (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (1230 340) 720 1020  
 MY SUPER EX-GIRLFRIEND (PG-13) DIG (1155 210 425) 750 1015  
 LADY IN THE WATER (PG-13) DIG (1240 350) 740 1020  
 MONSTER HOUSE (PG) DIG (1205 220 435) 710 925  
 YOU, ME AND DUPREE (PG-13) DIG (400) 1220 700 945  
 PIRATES OF THE CARIBBEAN: DEAD MAN'S CHEST (PG-13) DIG (1235 355) 725 955  
 THE DEVIL WEARS PRADA (PG-13) DIG (1235 355) 725 955  
 SUPERMAN RETURNS (PG-13) DIG (645 1000) 915  
 THE DEVIL WEARS PRADA (PG-13) DIG (1210 330) 700 935  
 CARSG (G) DIG 1159

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 MONSTER HOUSE DIGITAL 3D: \$1.50 FEE FOR 3D (PG) DIG (1145 220 445) 705 930

MIAMI VICE (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (1235 120 205 340 425 510) 645 730  
 THE ANT BULLY (PG) DIG (1140 1210 210 240 430 500) 650 720  
 CLERKS II (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (1200 220 455) 725 940  
 MY SUPER EX-GIRLFRIEND (PG-13) DIG (1240 300 530) 750 1015  
 LADY IN THE WATER (PG-13) DIG (1135 215 420 455) 740 955 1025  
 MONSTER HOUSE (PG) DIG (1215 515) 735 940  
 OC: MONSTER HOUSE (PG) DIG (250) 1000  
 LITTLE MAN (PG-13) DIG (1125 1230 155 255 520) 715 745 1010  
 YOU, ME AND DUPREE (PG-13) DIG (235 525) 800 1045  
 PIRATES OF THE CARIBBEAN: DEAD MAN'S CHEST (PG-13) DIG (1220 345) 710 1040  
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 SUPERMAN RETURNS (PG-13) DIG (1130) 910  
 CARSG (G) DIG (1130)

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 Adv. *Tix on Sale* SNAKES ON A PLANE (R) - ID REQ'D ★  
 SCOP (PG-13) DIG (1110 140 420) 745 1010  
 THE ANT BULLY (PG) DIG (1050 1150 130 230 400 500) 630 730 800 940

MIAMI VICE (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (100 200 410 510) 720 820 1030  
 JOHN TUCKER MUST DIE (PG-13) DIG (1140 1240 210 310 440) 540 740 840 1000  
 OC: MONSTER HOUSE (PG) DIG (315) 845  
 MONSTER HOUSE DIGITAL 3D: \$1.50 FEE FOR 3D (PG) DIG (1145 215 445) 715 945

CLERKS II (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (1215 240 530) 800 1020  
 MY SUPER EX-GIRLFRIEND (PG-13) DIG (120 345) 650 920  
 LADY IN THE WATER (PG-13) DIG (1120 150 250 450 550) 750 850  
 MONSTER HOUSE (PG) DIG (1100 1245 145 415) 615 815  
 LITTLE MAN (PG-13) DIG (1220 320) 635 915  
 YOU, ME AND DUPREE (PG-13) DIG (1230 340) 640 930  
 PIRATES OF THE CARIBBEAN: DEAD MAN'S CHEST (PG-13) DIG (1210 110 330 430) 710 810 940 1040  
 THE DEVIL WEARS PRADA (PG-13) DIG (1200 300) 620 910  
 SUPERMAN RETURNS (PG-13) DIG (645 1015) 915  
 CLICK (PG-13) DIG (1230 225 505) 735 1065  
 CARSG (G) DIG (1250 350) 700 940  
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 SCOP (PG-13) DIG (1230 255 520) 745 1010  
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 CLERKS II (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (1245 300 510) 740 1000  
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 THE DEVIL WEARS PRADA (PG-13) DIG (1210 240 515) 805 1040  
 SUPERMAN RETURNS (PG-13) DIG (705 1025) 915  
 DESCENT (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (1159) 1159  
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 Adv. *Tix on Sale* EX-GIRLFRIEND (PG-13) DIG (1100 1200 130 250 420) 510 650 740 930 1010  
 MY SUPER EX-GIRLFRIEND (PG-13) DIG (1130 305) 740 1015  
 CLERKS II (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (1115 1215 140 300 430 520) 345 1020  
 PIRATES OF THE CARIBBEAN: DEAD MAN'S CHEST (PG-13) DIG (1145 220 445) 705 930  
 SUPERMAN RETURNS (PG-13) DIG (1130 305) 740 1015  
 A SCANNER DARKLY (R) - ID REQ'D (1120 145 415) 730 1005  
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 MIAMI VICE (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (1150 1230 300 345) 700 740 1000 1040

THE ANT BULLY (PG) DIG (1145 205 430) 710 930  
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 CLERKS II (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (1130 400) 740 1005  
 MY SUPER EX-GIRLFRIEND (PG-13) DIG (1200 230 500) 730 1000  
 LADY IN THE WATER (PG-13) DIG (145 445) 745 1030  
 MONSTER HOUSE (PG) DIG (1145 1215 210 240 435 505) 710 735 935 1005

LITTLE MAN (PG-13) DIG (1115 410) 720 950  
 YOU, ME AND DUPREE (PG-13) DIG (130 430) 750 1040  
 PIRATES OF THE CARIBBEAN: DEAD MAN'S CHEST (PG-13) DIG (1240 415) 745

THE DEVIL WEARS PRADA (PG-13) DIG (120 415) 700 940  
 SUPERMAN RETURNS (PG-13) DIG (645 1010) 915  
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 SCOP (PG-13) DIG (1115 145 430) 730 950  
 THE ANT BULLY (PG) DIG (1100 130 400) 715 940  
 JOHN TUCKER MUST DIE (PG-13) DIG (1145 215 445) 745 1000  
 MIAMI VICE (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (1215 345) 715 1030  
 CLERKS II (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (1130 200 445) 745 1000  
 MY SUPER EX-GIRLFRIEND (PG-13) DIG (1145 230 500) 815 1030  
 LADY IN THE WATER (PG-13) DIG (1100 145 430) 730 930 1015  
 MONSTER HOUSE (PG) DIG (1130 215 500) 800 1020  
 OC: LITTLE MAN (PG-13) DIG (415) 950  
 LITTLE MAN (PG-13) DIG (1115 200) 730  
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 PIRATES OF THE CARIBBEAN: DEAD MAN'S CHEST (PG-13) DIG (1200 400) 700 800 1015  
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MIAMI VICE (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (1150 1230 300 340) 640 725 940  
 JOHN TUCKER MUST DIE (PG-13) DIG (1145 220 440) 745 1005  
 CLERKS II (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (1130 155 425) 805 1020  
 MY SUPER EX-GIRLFRIEND (PG-13) DIG (100 350) 700 1010  
 LADY IN THE WATER (PG-13) DIG (1245 320) 710 950  
 MONSTER HOUSE (PG) DIG (1135 1220 210 240 430 455) 705 750 1000

LITTLE MAN (PG-13) DIG (1240 315) 715 945  
 YOU, ME AND DUPREE (PG-13) DIG (1255 355) 645 930  
 PIRATES OF THE CARIBBEAN: DEAD MAN'S CHEST (PG-13) DIG (1210 330) 700 925 1015  
 THE DEVIL WEARS PRADA (PG-13) DIG (205 445) 755 1025  
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**JOHN TUCKER MUST DIE (PG13)** 12:55, 3:10, 5:25, 8:00, 10:25  
**MIAMI VICE (R)** 11:30, 1:30, 2:30, 4:30, 5:30, 7:45, 8:45, 10:45  
**CLERKS II (R)** 11:40, 2:15, 4:55, 7:35, 10:15  
**LADY IN THE WATER (PG13)** 12:10, 1:40, 2:40, 4:15, 5:20, 6:50, 8:05, 9:25, 10:40  
**LADY IN THE WATER (PG13)** 12:10, 2:40, 5:20, 8:05, 10:40  
**MONSTER HOUSE (PG)** 11:00, 12:30, 1:15, 3:05, 3:50, 5:40, 6:20, 7:55, 9:25  
**MY SUPER EX-GIRLFRIEND (PG13)** 11:05, 1:50, 4:25, 7:10, 8:20, 9:50, 10:45  
**LITTLE MAN (PG13)** 11:05, 12:20, 1:35, 3:00, 4:05, 5:35, 8:15, 9:15, 10:40  
**YOU, ME AND DUPREE (PG13)** 1:20, 4:10, 7:05, 10:00  
**PIRATES OF THE CARIBBEAN: DEAD MAN'S CHEST (PG13)** 11:35, 12:35, 1:55, 2:55, 3:55, 5:15, 6:15, 7:15, 8:35, 9:35, 10:35  
**THE DEVIL WEARS PRADA (PG13)** 11:20, 2:00, 4:35, 7:20, 9:55  
**SUPERMAN RETURNS (PG13)** 11:15, 2:45, 6:25, 9:45  
**CLICK (PG13)** 6:30, 10:20  
**CARS (G)** 11:10, 2:10, 5:05

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**JOHN TUCKER MUST DIE (PG13)** 2:00, 4:25, 6:50, 9:10  
**MIAMI VICE (R)** 12:00, 1:00, 3:00, 4:00, 6:00, 7:15, 9:15, 10:30  
**CLERKS II (R)** 12:45, 3:10, 5:30, 7:55, 10:20  
**LADY IN THE WATER (PG13)** 2:30, 5:15, 7:05, 8:00, 9:55, 10:45  
**MONSTER HOUSE (PG)** 12:50, 2:20, 3:20, 4:40, 5:40, 7:20, 8:15, 9:35  
**MY SUPER EX-GIRLFRIEND (PG13)** 12:30, 2:55, 5:20, 7:40, 10:10  
**LITTLE MAN (PG13)** 1:15, 2:15, 3:50, 4:45, 6:10, 8:35, 10:00  
**YOU, ME AND DUPREE (PG13)** 12:40, 3:25, 6:05, 8:40  
**PIRATES OF THE CARIBBEAN: DEAD MAN'S CHEST (PG13)** 12:15, 2:45, 3:45, 6:15, 7:00, 9:30, 10:15  
**THE DEVIL WEARS PRADA (PG13)** 2:25, 5:10, 7:45, 10:40  
**SUPERMAN RETURNS (PG13)** 12:10, 3:30, 6:55, 10:25  
**CLICK (PG13)** 7:25, 10:35  
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**JOHN TUCKER MUST DIE (PG13)** 12:35, 2:55, 5:15, 7:50, 10:15  
**MIAMI VICE (R)** 11:25, 12:55, 2:25, 4:05, 5:35, 7:15, 8:40, 10:25  
**CLERKS II (R)** 12:45, 3:15, 5:45, 8:10, 10:35  
**LADY IN THE WATER (PG13)** 11:10, 1:50, 4:45, 7:45, 10:30  
**MONSTER HOUSE (PG)** 10:50, 1:05, 3:25, 5:40, 8:00, 10:10  
**MY SUPER EX-GIRLFRIEND (PG13)** 11:30, 1:55, 4:30, 7:00, 9:25  
**LITTLE MAN (PG13)** 1:35, 4:20, 7:05, 9:30  
**YOU, ME AND DUPREE (PG13)** 1:40, 4:25, 7:10, 9:45  
**PIRATES OF THE CARIBBEAN: DEAD MAN'S CHEST (PG13)** 10:55, 11:50, 12:50, 2:05, 3:10, 4:10, 5:20, 6:30, 7:30, 8:35, 9:55, 10:50  
**PIRATES OF THE CARIBBEAN: DEAD MAN'S CHEST (PG13)** 12:50, 4:10, 7:30, 10:50  
**THE DEVIL WEARS PRADA (PG13)** 11:20, 2:00, 4:40, 7:25, 10:05  
**SUPERMAN RETURNS (PG13)** 12:25, 4:15, 7:35, 10:55

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**CRÈME DE LA CRÈME:** This Friday, Irvine Contemporary Art will unveil "Introductions 2," an exhibit featuring paintings, works on paper, sculpture, photography and video works from 11 outstanding fine-arts graduates from Washington, D.C.-area college art programs. The opening will include a roundtable discussion with the artists on Saturday.

## TheScene

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Wisconsin Ave. NW; 202-328-9100.

**District of Columbia Arts Center:**

"2006 Wall Mountables!!" an annual open exhibition in which the gallery sections off 2' x 2' squares and offers artists the opportunity to display their work with a \$100 prize for the best use of space, through Aug. 13. 2438 18th St. NW; 202-462-7833.

**Ellipse Arts Center:** "Conversions,"

explores spatial interpretations from three distinct points of view, through Sept. 29. 4350 North Fairfax Drive, Arlington; 703-228-4641.

**Flashpoint:** "Axelle Rioult: Non Sans

Emoi," French artist Rioult uses technology and performance to create a "psychological self-portrait," through Aug. 19. 916 G St. NW; 202-315-1310.

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Aires," musical instruments used in early modern England, though Sept. 9. 201 East Capitol St. NE; 202-544-7077.

**LAST CHANCE Fraser Gallery:** "10th

Annual Greater Washington, D.C., International Fine Arts Competition," through Aug. 9. 7700 Wisconsin Ave., Bethesda; 301-718-9651.

**Freer Gallery of Art/Arthur M. Sackler Gallery:** "Beyond Brushwork: Sym-

bolism in Chinese Painting," through Nov. 26. "Facing East: Portraits from Asia," paintings, sculptures and photographs of Egyptian pharaohs, Chinese empresses, Japanese actors and a host of other sub-

jects, through Sept. 4. Jefferson Drive & 12th Street SW; 202-633-4880.

**G Fine Art:** "Redefined: Modern and Contemporary Art from the Collection," works by gallery artists Linn Myers, Maggie Michael and Jeff Spaulding, ongoing. 1515 14th St. NW; 202-462-1601.

**Gallery IO:** French artist Henry Dancer's works on paper, echoing expressionist movements in art, through Aug. 26. 1519 Connecticut Ave. NW; 202-232-3326.

**Gallery Plan B:** Paintings by Gary Fisher and John Talkington, drawings by Tanja Bos, through Aug. 20. 1530 14th St. NW; 202-234-2711.

**LAST CHANCE Gateway's Heliport Gallery:** "Community Spirit," Hussein Saidi's art focuses on community and family both in his home country of Tanzania and in the United States, through Aug. 3. 8001 Kennett St., Suite 3, Silver Spring; 301-491-3326.

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### LIVE FOLK-ROCK | VAN KEPT A-ROLLIN'



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**ALL IRISHMEN ARE MYSTICS:** Music legend Van Morrison brings his characteristic croon and considerable legend to the Patriot Center this Sunday. This performance will likely feature Morrison's still-circulated old hits, as well as tracks off his recently released album, "Pay the Devil," in which Morrison covers some of his favorite classic country songs.

# Dining | WeekendPass

## Eating Around

### OPENINGS

#### Ray's the Classics Opens Today in Silver Spring

Lovers of Rays the Steaks in Arlington have been waiting patiently for the new Silver Spring location, known as Ray's the Classics, to open to the public. According to Wednesday's dining chat with the Post's food critic, Tom Sietsema, the 120-seat second Ray's opens today. At the new location will be Ray's the Bar, which will serve dinner Wednesday through Saturday, expanding to Tuesday in a few weeks. **MICHAEL GRASS (EXPRESS)**  
 → 8606 Colesville Road, Silver Spring; 301-588-7297 (Silver Spring)

### CHEFS

#### Blue Duck Tavern Snags New Chef de Cuisine

The executive chef of the new Blue Duck Tavern, Brian McBride, has appointed Mark Hellyar as chef de cuisine, who brings an impressive and deep resume to the Park Hyatt hotel's signature restaurant. Hellyar comes to D.C. from NoMi in Chicago but is not a stranger to D.C., with experience at Nora and Citronelle. He's also been through the kitchens of Le Manoir aux Quat Saisons in Oxford, England, and Fat Duck in Bray, England, and opened



**HEAR YE, HEAR YE:** The Blue Duck announced that it has a new chef de cuisine.

Classics at the Intercontinental Hotel in Cleveland. (MG)

→ 24th and M streets NW; 202-419-6755 (Foggy Bottom-GWU)

### COOKING CLASS

#### Rosa Mexicano to Pass on Chef Secrets Saturday

As part of its ongoing Flavors of Mexico series, Rosa Mexicano is offering a Mexican Cantina cooking class on Saturday, where participants will be able to learn (and later eat) traditional Cantina dishes like ajo blanco (chilled cucumber and almond soup) and arrachera con camerones (grilled strips of skirt steak and jumbo shrimp). The \$40 cooking demonstration and luncheon starts at 10:30 a.m. The restaurant will be featuring

special Cantina dishes through Aug. 22. (MG)

→ 575 7th St. NW; 202-654-7010 (Gallery Place-Chinatown)

### GROCERY STORES

#### Trader Joe's Prepares to Open Late This Year

Despite rumors online, the District's first Trader Joe's, which is currently taking shape in the old Columbia Women's Hospital on 25th Street NW between L and M streets, will not open next month. A Trader Joe's spokeswoman says that the target date for opening is "sometime in the fourth quarter." (MG)

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**Of the many Vietnamese restaurants at Eden Center in Falls Church, which one(s) would you recommend or warn against? My husband and I are looking for someplace authentic and not too pricey.** Huong Que is probably the most reliable restaurant of the bunch, and it delivers great service along with very good shrimp toast, squid with sour cabbage and grilled meats. While you're at Eden Center, be sure to check out the Vietnamese sandwich maker, Nhu Lan, in the interior shopping mall there. The pork meatball sandwich is especially delicious — and it's only \$2.50!



**GARDEN OF EDEN CENTER:** Huong Que offers good Vietnamese fare in Falls Church.

→ *Huong Que*, 6769 Wilson Blvd., Falls Church; 703-532-9009.  
 Church; 703-538-6717.

→ *Nhu Lan*, 6763 Wilson Blvd., Falls Church. **In June, you said the food at**

**Marrakesh wasn't all that great — can you offer an alternative for Moroccan? My boyfriend really wants to go, but I don't want to waste our time/money.**

For cheap eats, I head to the tiny Pyramids at 600 Florida Ave. NW. The lamb tagine and bisteeya are particularly good. For something dressier, I like Taste of Morocco in Silver Spring, which is much better than the original in Arlington these days.

→ *Pyramids*, 600 Florida Ave. NW; 202-232-6776. (Shaw-Howard U.)

→ *Taste of Morocco*, 8661 Colesville Road, Silver Spring; 301-588-4003. (Silver Spring)

**Do you have an opinion of the Melting Pot?**

You know what? I had a ball reviewing the fondue chain (the



At a Taste of Morocco, diners also get a taste of Middle Eastern dancing.

Washington location) a few years back. But it tends to be too much food for me.

Washington Post Sunday Magazine columnist **TOM SIETSEMA** talks restaurants Wednesdays at 11 a.m. on [washingtonpost.com/liveonline](http://washingtonpost.com/liveonline).

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**Glenview Mansion Art Gallery:**

"Transformations: Washington Printmaker's Gallery 20th Anniversary Exhibition," 25 printmakers display their work in a celebration of Washington Printmaker's Gallery's success as an artist-run space, through Aug. 29. 603 Edmonston Drive, Rockville; 240-314-8682.

**Goethe-Institut:**

"Gute Aussichten: Young German Photographers," works by winners of two German graduate photography competitions, through Aug. 31. 812 7th St. NW; 202-289-1200.

**The Graham Collection:**

"Blessings," an exhibition of religiously inspired paintings and drawings by Al Burts, also works by local artist Cedric Baker, through Aug. 31. 3518 12th St. NE; 202-832-9292.

**Greater Reston Arts Center:**

"Languages of Silence," J. Mahoney's selections based upon the concept "that which is real is given and received in silence," through Aug. 18. 12001 Market St., Suite 103, Reston; 703-471-9242.

**Hemphill:**

Works on paper by Benjamin Abramowitz, 35mm Kodachromes by William Christenberry and photographs by Don Donaghy, all through Aug. 19. 1515 14th St. NW; 202-234-5601.

**Hillyer Art Space:**

"Scratching the Surface: A Survey of Artists in the Washington Region," through Aug. 24. 9 Hillyer Court NW; 202-338-0680.

**Hirshhorn Museum:**

"Heaven and Earth," highlights of Anselm Kiefer's career-long meditation on the relationship between above and below, through Sept. 10. "Directions," Jim Lambie uses vinyl tape to transform the museum's lobby into a giant, colorful painting, through Oct. 2. "Ways of Seeing: John Baldessari Explores the Collection," artist Baldessari organizes an installation using works drawn from the museum's holdings. 7th Street & Independence Avenue SW; 202-633-1000.

**Irvine Contemporary:**

"Introductions 2," new paintings, works on paper, photography, video and sculpture by recent MFA and BFA graduates, opens Fri., through Sept. 2. 1412 P St. NW; 202-332-8767.

**Jerusalem Fund Gallery:**

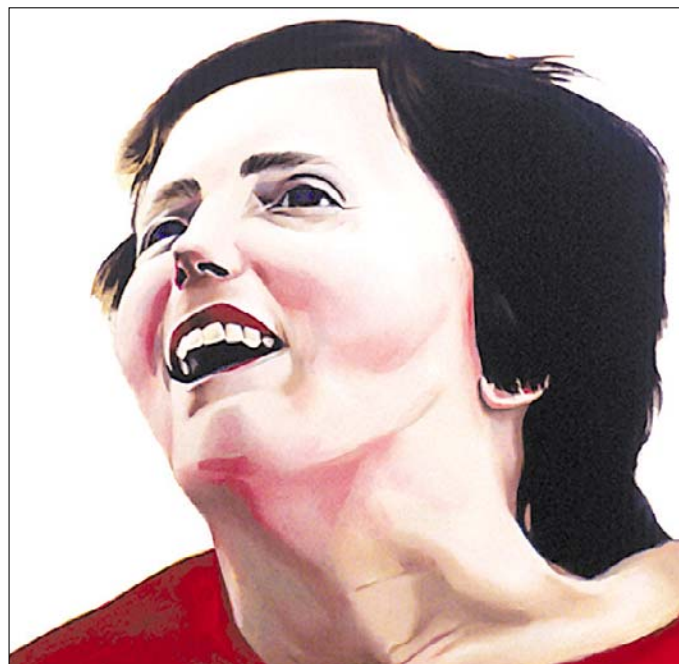
"Outside the Ark: An Artist's Journey in Occupied Palestine," artist and author Ellen O'Grady relates through art her experience of living in Palestine for seven years, through Aug. 25. 2425 Virginia Ave. NW; 202-338-1958.

**Katzen Arts Center:**

"Makoto Fujimura: Water Flames and Zero Summer," large-scale abstractions. "Made in Oakland by

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**AN ENTERTAINING IMPOSTOR:** No one can be the Duke, but Jimi Ray Malary sure does his best as he plays the beloved jazz legend in "Ellington, the Life and Music of the Duke," which closes this weekend at MetroStage. This cabaret/theater performance features the music that made Ellington famous, as well as the details of his remarkable life.

**GALLERIES | NAMES AND FACES**

**DON'T YOU KNOW WHO I AM?** Andy Warhol had it right, but even he never anticipated that we'd all be famous for *the same* 15 minutes. A variety of artists explore the celebrity glut and our fascination with/disdain for the famous and the notorious, culture and commerce, identity and reality at "15 Minutes," a group show at U Street's Project 4 Gallery opening Friday.

Jim Melchert," ceramic tile installations, both through Aug. 20. 4400 Massachusetts Ave. NW; 202-885-1300.

**Library of Congress:** "Enduring Outrage: Editorial Cartoons by Herblock," an exhibition of original work by Pulitzer Prize-winning editorial cartoonist Herb Block, with drawings and sketches that focus on major themes of American politics in both the past and present, through Jan. 20, 2007.

**National Archives:** "Eyewitness: American Originals from the National Archives," written and recorded firsthand accounts of major events in American history, through Jan. 1, 2007. Constitution Avenue between 7th & 9th streets NW; 202-357-5300.

**National Building Museum:** "Prairie Skyscraper: Frank Lloyd Wright's Price Tower," exploring Wright's only (constructed) skyscraper, through Sept. 17. "Cityscapes Revealed," highlights from the museum's permanent collection, ongoing. 401 F St. NW; 202-272-2448.

**National Gallery of Art:** "Across Media," Charles Sheeler's paintings, drawings, films and photos set the foundation for American modernism, through Aug. 27.

"Bellini, Giorgione, Titian and the Renaissance of Venetian painting," through Sept. 17. "Master Drawings from the Woodner Collections," works by Da Vinci, Rembrandt, Degas and more, through Oct. 1. "Henri Rousseau: Jungles in Paris," Rousseau's fantasy landscapes depict a seductive and terrifying world, through Oct. 15. 600 Constitution Ave. NW; 202-289-3360.

**National Geographic Society:** "Castles and Crusades: A View in Miniature," two large model castles and a bazaar, with more than 2,000 hand-painted figurines, provide a glimpse into the Crusades era, through Sept. 4. "One World, One Tribe — Reza," selected images by photojournalist Reza depict the torments of war and revolution, through Oct. 9. "Soccer: Planet at Play," photos and video of the game being played by amateurs around the world, through Oct. 29. 1145 17th St. NW; 202-857-7588.

**National Library of Medicine:** "Visible Proofs: Forensic Views of the Body," ongoing. 8600 Rockville Pike, Bethesda; 301-496-6308.

**National Museum of African Art:** "African Gold," from the Glassell Collection, through Nov. 26. "First Look: The Walt Disney-Tishman African Art Collection," through Dec. 3. 950 Independence Ave. SW; 202-633-1000.

**National Museum of American History:** "Honky-Tonk," Henry Horenstein's photos of country musicians, through Sept. 5, other exhibitions ongoing. 14th Street and Constitution Avenue NW; 202-633-1000.

**National Museum of Natural History:** "Wondrous Cold: An Antarctic Journey," photographs by Joan Myers of daily life at McMurdo Station, Antarctica's primary research facility, through Sept. 4. "Lewis and Clark: The National Bicentennial," artifacts depict encounters the explorers had during their journey through America, through Sept. 11. 10th Street & Constitution Avenue; 202-633-1000.

**National Museum of Women in the Arts:** Chakaia Booker uses car tires to create sculptures, through Sept. 4. "Dreaming Their Way," the work of Australian Aboriginal women painters, through Sept. 24. 1250 New York Ave. NW; 202-783-5000.

**National Portrait Gallery:** "Eye Contact: Modern American Portraiture Drawing," masterpieces of 20th-century portraiture, through Oct. 9. "Portraiture Now," works by contemporary artists that have made portraiture their focus, through Jan. 7, 2007. "Outwin Boochever Portrait Competition 2006," the works of seven finalists from the first-ever U.S. national portrait competition, through Feb. 18, 2007.

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# The Kennedy Center



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"Americans Now," portraits of prominent American athletes, entertainers, politicians and other such celebrities, through Apr. 29, 2007. "America's Presidents," an extended display of multiple images of 42 U.S. presidents, including the famous "Lansdowne" portrait of George Washington, ongoing. 8th & F streets NW; 202-633-1000.

**National Postal Museum:** "Rarity Revealed: The Benjamin K. Miller Collection." Lucky Miller was in possession of a "One-Cent Z Grill," the rarest of U.S. stamps, through Oct. 1, 2007. 2 Massachusetts Ave. NE; 202-633-5555.

**Phillips Collection:** "Klee and America," abstract expressionist works by painter Paul Klee, "When We Were Young: New Perspectives on the Art of the Child," contemporary childhood drawings, alongside childhood drawings by Klee and Picasso juxtaposed with their mature work, both through Sept. 10. 1600 21st St. NW; 202-387-2151.

**Project 4: "15 Minutes,"** a group exhibition that examines the concepts of celebrity and consumerism, opens Fri., through Sept. 9. 903 U St. NW; 202-232-4340.

**Pulp:** "Frankie Goes to Paris," a collection

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**TheScene**

of Parisian views with an unusual slant by Washington-based author and photo-artist Frank Muzzy, "New Works of Dale Alward," a series of oil canvases offering the surreal as well as the political, both through Aug. 14. 1803 14th St. NW; 202-462-7857.

**Pyramid Atlantic Art Center:** "Displacement," multimedia works by Nino Leselidze, Hadieh Shafie and Jennie Thwing. "A Change of Plans," a video installation by Symmes Gardner, both through Aug. 15. 8230 Georgia Ave., Silver Spring; 301-608-9101.

**Roxanne's ARTiques:** "Summertime: Six Photographers," features images of summer, through Aug. 31. 3426 9th St. NE; 202-526-7020.

**Salve Regina Gallery:** "Phantom Floor," three young Washington-area artists display works that involve the notion of the phantom, through Aug. 11. Catholic University, 620 Michigan Ave. NE; 202-842-6549.

**Spectrum Gallery:** "Celebrate Washington," works by Washington artists, through Sept. 3. 1421 22nd St. NW; 202-833-1616.

**Strathmore:** "Fiber Fantasy: Potomac Craftsmen Fiber Guild and Special Guests," through Aug. 26. "From Urban to Suburban II," Spectrum Gallery's dynamic



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→ **THE CINEMATHEQUE TOULOUSE'S** Natacha Laurent comes to the National Gallery of Art to introduce a series of meticulously restored French silent films. On Saturday, it's "A Boy of the Streets," with live piano accompaniment by Roay Brubcher; on Sunday, "Verdun, visions d'histoire," with live music provided by Hakim Bentchouala-Golobitch and on Sunday, the feature "Le Fantome qui ne revient pas," with music by Alexandre Wimmer. The short "Au pay du roi lepreux" screens on Saturday as well. *National Gallery of Art, 600 Constitution Ave. NW; all films free; 202-633-1000.*

exhibit of works in various media, opens Sat., through Aug. 26. "Pottery by Ben Culbertson and Josh DeWeese," opens Sun., through Aug. 26. 10701 Rockville Pike, Bethesda; 301-581-5200.

**Textile Museum:** "Harpies, Mermaids and Tulips: Embroidery from Greek Islands and the Epirus Region," through Sept. 3. 2320 S St. NW; 202-667-0441.

**LAST CHANCE Torpedo Factory:** "A Capital Idea," member show of fine-art photography "Tea Time," exhibition of tea accessories, "Mix It Up," juried show high-

lighting mixed media and materials, "Ray Parisi's Mini Show," all through Aug. 6. "All-Media Membership Show," "Decompositions," photographs by Pamela Zilly, both through Aug. 7. "Visions from Russia — Four Contemporary Moscow Artists," part two of the exchange between the friends of the Torpedo Factory Art Center and the Embassy of the Russian Federation, through Aug. 26. 105 North Union St., Alexandria; 703-838-4565.

**LAST CHANCE Touchstone Gallery:** "Undercover: Artists Hit the Books,"

works by various artists that invite the viewer to re-examine what constitutes a book, through Aug. 6. 406 7th St. NW; 202-347-2787.

**LAST CHANCE Transformer:** "E3: Painters," a combination of finished bodies of work, works in progress and the beginning of new series that the featured artists will continue to explore, through Aug. 5. 1404 P St. NW; 202-483-1102.

**U.S. Botanic Garden:** "Systematics: Roots and Relationships," focuses on the work of scientists at USDA's Beltsville

Agricultural Resource Center, through Oct. 1. "Summer Reunion: A Gathering of Plant Families," a series of gardens showcasing 11 different plant families, through Oct. 15. "Protecting America's Wildest Urban River: From Floods to Flowers in the Potomac Gorge," through Nov. 19. "Lines on Paper: How Fantasy Becomes a Garden," drawings, sketches, photos and a maquette of the artistic elements being created for Longwood's Children's Garden, through Jan. 15, 2007. 100 Maryland Ave. SW; 202-225-8333.

**VisArts:** "Inspired by Animals," a juried exhibit of works inspired by all things "animal," opens Aug. 6, through Sept. 1. 9300 Gaither Road, Gaithersburg; 301-869-8623.

**The Walters Art Museum:** "Mightier Than the Sword: The Satirical Pen of Kal," celebrates the works of political cartoonist Kevin Kallaugher (aka Ka!) featuring some of his better-known cartoons and caricatures from The Baltimore Sun and The Economist, as well as some lesser-known sculptures, films and 3D animations, through Sept. 3. 600 North Charles Street, Baltimore; 410-547-9000.

**Washington Printmakers Gallery:** "National Small Works 2006," a variety of prints from artists across the country, ranging from the traditional to the experimental, "An exhibition of prints by Victoria Goro-Rapoport," a solo exhibit by the winner of the National Small Works 2005

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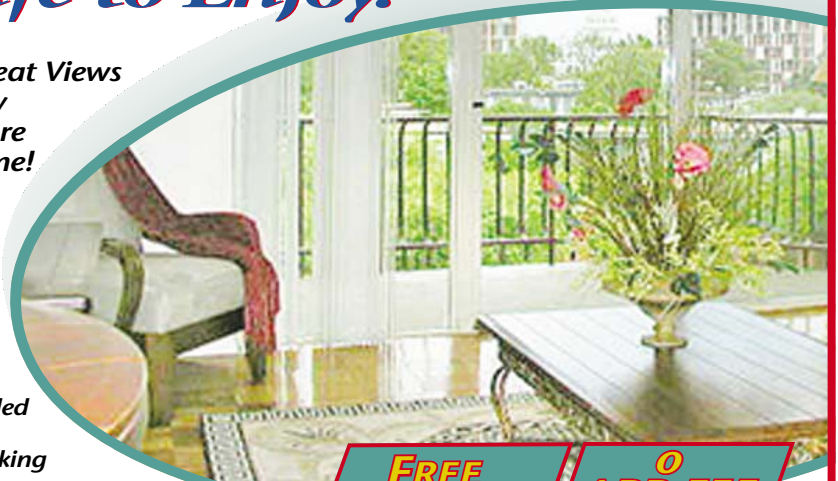


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competition, both through Aug. 27. 1732 Connecticut Ave. NW; 202-332-7757.

**LAST CHANCE Wohlfarth Galleries:** "Affinity: Abstraction," paintings by Richard Vosseller and others, part of the "Shaken, Not Stirred ... An Ephemeral Cocktail" summer series, through Aug. 3. 3418 9th St. NE; 202-526-8022.

**WVSA Gallery:** "Kisses to the Sun," an interactive exhibit of children's book illustrations by award-winning artist Adjoa Burrowes, through Aug. 8. 1100 16th St. NW; 202-296-9100.

**Zenith Gallery:** "Sizzling Summer Sampler," a mixed-media exhibition, through Sept. 3. 413 7th St. NW; 202-783-2963.

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Joy of Motion Dance Center students, Sun., \$10. The Jack Guidone Theater at Joy of Motion Dance Center, Friendship Heights, 5207 Wisconsin Ave. NW; 202-276-2599, joyofmotion.org.

**The Borrowers:** Adapted from Mary Norton's beloved children's novels, this play is about a minuscule family that lives beneath the floorboards of a house, through Aug. 13, \$15. Imagination Stage, 4908 Auburn Ave., Bethesda; 301-280-1660, imaginationstage.org.

**LAST CHANCE Dog Sees God: Confessions of a Teenage Blockhead:** Bert V. Royal's unauthorized parody of the beloved comic strip "Peanuts," through Sun., \$25. Studio Theatre, 1501 14th St. NW; 202-332-3300, studiotheatre.org.

**THIS WEEKEND ONLY** Dream of the Pacific: Washington National Opera inaugurates the "Family Opera" series with this opera about the adventures and accomplishments of the Lewis and Clark Expedition, Sat. & Sun., \$10. Round House Theatre, 4545 East-West Highway, Bethesda; 202-295-2400, dc-opera.org.

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**An Enemy of the People:** A doctor attempts to warn his small town that the water supply for its famous public baths may be contaminated, but he is scorned for scaring away tourist traffic, through Aug. 27, \$34-\$44. Olney Theatre Center, 2001 Olney-Sandy Spring Road, Olney, Md.; 301-924-3400, olneytheatre.org.

**LAST CHANCE Jacques Brel Is Alive and Well & Living in Paris:** A tough, timely musical revue of Belgian songwriter Jacques Brel and the Parisians who embody his songs, through Sun., \$34-\$44. Olney Theatre Center, 2001 Olney-Sandy Spring Road, Olney; 301-924-3400, olneytheatre.org.

**THIS WEEKEND ONLY Lesole's Dance Project, Jessica Marchant, Emily Berry:** Three up-and-coming artists explore cultural diversity in a dance performance of outstanding athleticism, Sat. & Sun, \$20. Dance Place, 3225 8th St. NE; 202-269-1600, danceplace.org.

**LAST CHANCE Like Father, Like Son:** This family drama depicts the legacy of destructive masculine attitudes, through Sun., \$20. Atlas Theatre, 1333 H St. NE; 202-399-7993, atlasarts.org.

**THIS SUNDAY ONLY The Next Best Thing:** A local group of coed improv performers, most of whom trained and performed at D.C. Improv, Sun., \$10. Jammin' Java, 227 Maple Ave. E, Vienna; 703-255-1566, jamminjava.com.

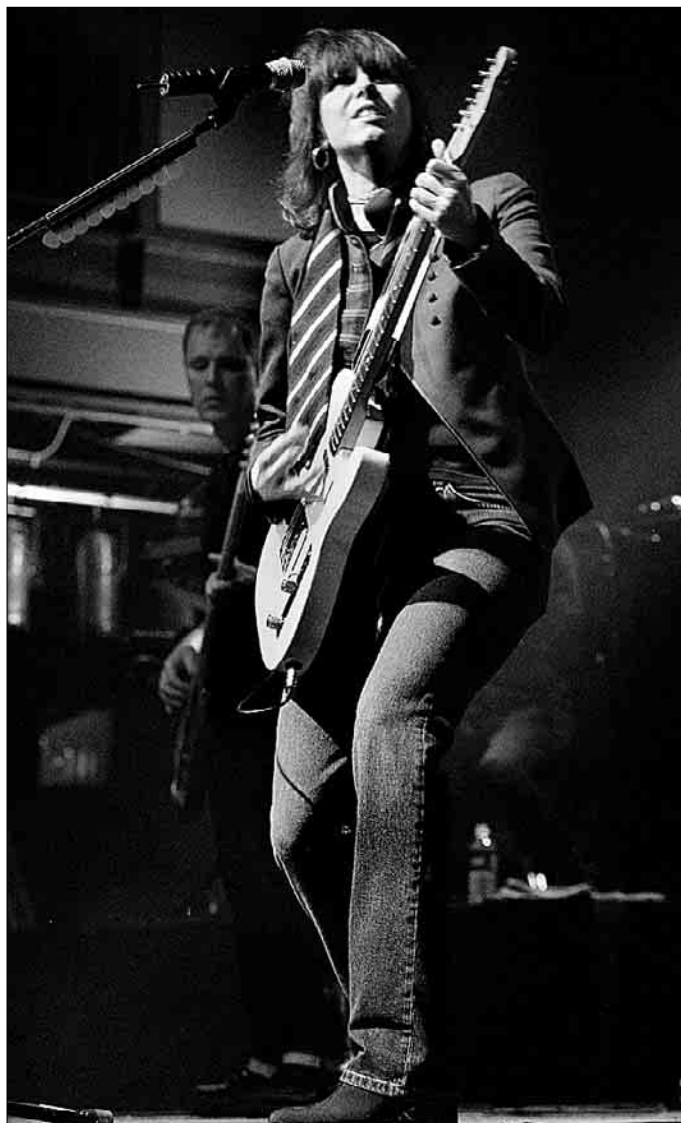
**LAST CHANCE One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest:** Firebelly Production presents Ken Kesey's story about the antics of patients in a mental ward, through Sun., \$5-\$15. Theatre on the Run, 3700 South Four Mile Run Drive, Arlington; 703-409-2372, firebellyproductions.org.

**FRIDAY ONLY The Pastor Set Me Up!:** A gospel play about three women trying to find a husband on their own terms, while their pastor is determined that they do it God's way, Sat., \$20. THEARC Theatre, 1901 Mississippi Ave. SE; 202-246-2635, jazzatthearc.com.

**Picasso at the Lapin Agile:** Steve Martin's absurdist comedy about a fictional meeting between a young Pablo Picasso and a young Albert Einstein in a Paris cafe at the turn of the century, through Aug. 19, \$25. Gunston Arts Center Theatre II, 2700 S. Lang St., Arlington; 703-892-0202, keegantheatre.com.

**PopTart:** Part of the Hatchery Festival 2006, Hatchery playwrights and actors

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**CHORDS ACROSS THE WATER:** British-American band the Pretenders, playing at the 9:30 Club on Sunday, may not be the innovative force in punk-inspired rock 'n' roll they were in their 1980s heyday, but these vets know how to put on a show. Audiences can count on off-color remarks and outspoken political views from tough-as-nails frontwoman Chrissie Hynde.

do a live parody of television writing, through Aug. 19, \$15. District of Columbia Arts Center, 2438 18th St. NW; 202-462-7833, dcartscenter.org.

**THIS WEEKEND ONLY Snow Falling Fast:** A play about two friends reunited after years apart, each struggling to forgive each other and find a way back into each other's lives, part of the Hatchery Festival 2006, through Sun., \$15. District of Columbia Arts Center, 2438 18th St. NW; 202-462-7833, dcartscenter.org.

**3 Mo' Divas:** Six singers belt out everything from Puccini to the Supremes in this musical revue, through Aug. 13, \$60-\$65. Arena Stage, 1101 6th St. SW; 202-554-9066, arenastage.org.

**THIS WEEKEND ONLY Todd Glass:** This stand-up comedian and actor has appeared on Comedy Central, and has

co-starred in "Married with Children," "Home Improvement," and HBO's "Mr. Show," through Sun., \$15. Improv, 1140 Connecticut Ave. NW; 202-296-7008, dcimprov.com.

**Tramps and Vamps:** Two one-act plays important to the development of gay theater, Joe Orton's "The Ruffian on the Stair" and Charles Busch's drag classic "Vampire Lesbians of Sodom," through Aug. 13, \$31.50. Church Street Theatre, 1742 Church St. NW; 202-332-9521, atwdc.org.

**THIS SATURDAY ONLY Violet in My Winter:** BosmaDance presents a contemporary theater performance inspired by the life and poetry of Emily Dickinson, Sat., \$20. Clarice Smith Performing Arts Center, University Blvd. & Stadium Drive, College Park; 301-405-2787, claricesmithcenter.umd.edu.



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