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Weekend

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People

'No choice' but to sue

Hudson, other U.S. celebs win in Britain, 12D



By Seth Wenig, AP

Cover story



Patton, left, and Benjamin in *Idlewild*; by Michael Tackett, Universal Studios

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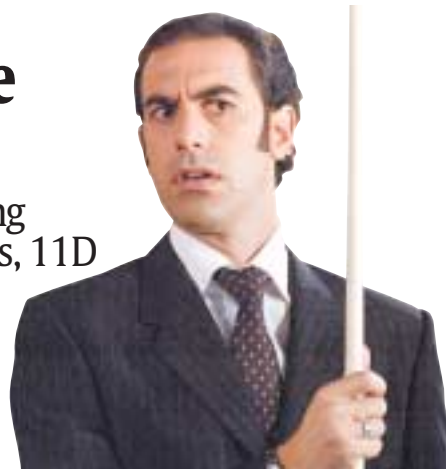
Movies

They stole the show

Summer's strong supporting roles, 11D

Pole position: Sacha Baron Cohen as gay racer in *Talladega Nights*.

By Suzanne Hanover, Sony Pictures



By Kirsty Wigglesworth, AP

Clarence House: It's the London residence of the Prince of Wales and Duchess of Cornwall.

TRAVEL

Hold the phone: Come see Charles' London home

The London residence of Prince Charles is in the news this week after police arrested three men accused of illegally intercepting phone calls there.

But tourists don't have to resort to illicit tactics to visit Clarence House, the 19th-century stucco mansion where Charles lives with wife Camilla when in London. Ground floor rooms, filled with art and historic furnishings, are open by appointment now through Oct. 8 (about \$13 for adults, \$7 kids).

Dispatches

And royal-watchers might want to check out a new exhibit of the reigning Queen Elizabeth's jewels and gowns, at Buckingham Palace till Sept. 24. It's included in a "Royal Day Out" package that includes a palace tour, visit to the royal mews and more (about \$45 adults, \$32 kids, under 5 free). Info: the-royal-collection.com/royaltickets.

— Kitty Bean Yancey

AT HOME

Service lets you circumvent designers

Everyone has experienced the thrill of finding the perfect table in a magazine — and then the frustration of reading: *To the trade only*. Meaning, you have to hire a designer to get your heart's desire.

But that's changing. Now Frank Keshishian, proprietor of L.A. Design Concepts, has launched what he believes is the first national service offering access to luxury furnishings at discount prices.

It works like this: A Dallas consumer sees a to-the-trade sofa in, say, *Metropolitan Home*. She calls L.A. Design Concepts (310-581-3774), which handles the paperwork and schedules delivery.

"We sell at 20% above wholesale, while most designers charge 33% to 40%, plus design fees," says Keshishian. "People don't want to pay someone to tell them what sofa to get."

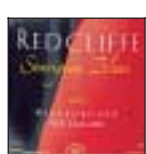
That's why Boston Design Center started its similar Plush program 18 months ago, says marketing vice president Alexis Contant. "This generation of consumers wants to be part of the process."

— Maria Puente

BEST BARGAIN WINES

For seafood lovers ...

Each day, USA TODAY's Jerry Shriver recommends a wine that costs \$15 or less in his Cheers! blog at cheers.usatoday.com. Here are two highlights from this week's selections:



2005 Redcliffe Sauvignon Blanc, Marlborough New Zealand, about \$11. This version of New Zealand Sauvignon Blanc (palmbayimports.com) is tamer than most. Sip it, or serve with grilled scallops, shrimp.



2005 Stella & Mosca La Cala Vermentino, Sardinia, Italy, about \$11. This wine (palmbayimports.com) has dominant notes of green apple and sea spray. Pair it with thin pasta and white clam sauce.

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Destinations & Diversions



By David Cheskin, AP

In the United Kingdom: A baby waits with a plastic bag filled with baby formula and food Thursday at Edinburgh Airport in Scotland after authorities in the United Kingdom banned all hand-carried luggage on trans-Atlantic flights. Baby formula is one of the few items allowed.

Air travel's new do's, don't's

Travelers face tighter security and longer lines because of new airport rules in the USA and UK after a plot to blow up airliners bound for the USA was uncovered. With a busy travel weekend ahead, here's what you need to know:

Q: What can't I pack in my carry-on bag?

A: The new rules ban almost all liquids, creams and gels from being carried aboard flights. That means you should not pack sunscreen, lotion, shampoo, toothpaste, hair gel or beverages in a carry-on. Those items must be put in your checked bags. If you are in doubt about an item, pack it in a checked bag or leave it home.

Cover story

Despite some rumors — and an incorrect early post on American Airlines' website Thursday — there are no new restrictions on laptops, cellphones or other electronics on any flight originating in the USA.

Q: Are the rules different in the United Kingdom?

A: If you're on a flight leaving the United Kingdom, there are more restrictions: You will need to check all your luggage — that means no carry-ons whatsoever — and every passenger will be hand-searched at security checkpoints. Only a



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In the USA: A trash container at O'Hare International Airport in Chicago is littered with discarded items that are no longer allowed as carry-ons, including water bottles or any other beverages, deodorant, shampoo, sunscreen and toothpaste.

few personal items, such as pocket-size wallets and purses, glasses (but not cases), medications, diapers and female sanitary items (unboxed), and essential travel documents are permitted. A bag to carry those items must be plastic, "ideally transparent." On flights to the USA, passengers will be searched again at the gate before they board.

Q: Do the stricter rules in the UK also apply to flights from the USA to the UK?

A: No, only to flights leaving from the UK. However, passengers connecting through the UK should remember that the stricter rules will apply to their flights leaving the UK.

Q: Are there any exceptions to the new rules in the USA?

A: A few. You can still bring baby formula, breast milk or juice if you're traveling with a child; prescription drugs if your name is on the bottle; and insulin or

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