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BRIEFING

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SEN. JOHN KERRY will bring his quest for the presidency to the Lehigh Valley this weekend, making his first campaign stop in Pennsylvania, one of the election's key battlegrounds. **A1**

CALIFORNIA'S SUPREME COURT ordered a halt to same-sex weddings in San Francisco on Thursday, while Massachusetts lawmakers advanced a constitutional amendment to ban gay marriages there. **A1**

THE U.S. HOUSE approved sharply higher fines Thursday for broadcasters and entertainers who break indecency rules. **A1**

"ANDRO," the popular dietary supplement, is the subject of a crackdown by the Food and Drug Administration, which now says it can be dangerous. **A5**

VICTIMS of a discredited 1999 drug sting in Tulia, Texas, will receive a \$5 million settlement from nearby Amarillo, attorneys announced Thursday. **A6**

A MARYLAND WOMAN who is a cousin of the White House chief of staff was charged Thursday with spying for Saddam Hussein for nearly three years. **A8**

SOUTH KOREA'S PARLIAMENT voted to impeach President Roh Moo-hyun on illegal electioneering and incompetence charges early today. **A10**

ECHOSTAR AND VIACOM reached a deal to restore popular channels such as MTV to the DISH network after a consumer outcry. **D1**

LEHIGH VALLEY INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT said 81,373 people flew in and out during February, a record for the month. **D1**

TODAY
in am. MAGAZINE



Cast your vote for canine look-alikes

Last month, we asked folks who think their dogs resemble them to submit photographic proof, and the results are in. Now it's time to pick your favorites. **E1**

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"This is mass murder. March 11 now has its place in the history of infamy."

JOSE MARIA AZNAR
Spanish prime minister



Denis Doyle Associated Press

RESCUE WORKERS line up the bodies beside a bomb-damaged passenger train after a number of blasts in Madrid, Spain. An Arabic newspaper in London said al-Qaida claimed responsibility for the attacks.

Terrorist attacks kill at least 190 in Spain

Basque separatists, al-Qaida are prime suspects in bombings.

By Todd Richissin
Special to The Morning Call

MADRID, Spain | In one of the deadliest attacks in modern European history, 10 bombs exploded Thursday in this city's train system with the most destructive possible timing, blasting apart train cars filled with morning commuters, killing at least 190 people and injuring more than 1,200 others, many of them critically. Authorities initially blamed

the violence on Basque separatists in the militant group ETA, but a London-based Arabic newspaper said Thursday night it had been contacted on behalf of al-Qaida, which claimed responsibility for the attacks. Although Spain sent no troops to fight the war in Iraq, it publicly supported the invasion by the United States and Britain and later sent about

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Jose Huesca Associated Press

PEOPLE INJURED in the Madrid bombings wait for help.

SPAIN PAGE A3

House OKs big indecency fines

Broadcasters also could lose licenses after three violations.

By Jonathan Krim
Of The Washington Post

WASHINGTON | The House on Thursday approved sharply higher fines for broadcasters

and entertainers who break indecency rules, as Congress moves closer to cracking down on incidents that are deemed to be obscene or profane.

The Broadcast Decency Enforcement Act of 2004, which passed 391-22, would give the Federal Communications Commission the ability to levy fines of up to \$500,000

per violation, up from the current \$27,500.

Because many shows are syndicated and played on numerous stations around the country, fines could run into the millions of dollars.

Broadcasters also could have their licenses revoked after a third violation.

INDECENCY PAGE A5

Kerry bringing battle with Bush to Lehigh Valley

Plan shows he sees region, state as prime election battlegrounds.

By John M.R. Bull, Jeff Miller and Daryl Nerl
Of The Morning Call



Kerry

Bush

U.S. Sen. John Kerry will bring his quest for the presidency to the Lehigh Valley this weekend, making his first campaign stop in Pennsylvania, one of the election's key battlegrounds.

Kerry's advance team spent Thursday touring several sites around Allentown and Bethlehem looking for a good location to hold either a rally or a town meeting Sunday, spokeswoman Kathy Roeder said. The time and place had not been set as of Thursday evening.

Kerry has all but sewn up the Democratic race, after winning a score of primary elections in recent months and forcing his main challengers out of the race. A win in Illinois on Tuesday would give him more than enough delegates for the nomination.

His juggernaut has rendered Pennsylvania's April 27 primary meaningless in terms of the Democratic presidential vote. But most political models show that the Massachusetts senator still needs to win Pennsylvania and its 21 electoral votes in November to have a chance of defeating President Bush.

Bush lost Pennsylvania to Democrat Al Gore in 2000 by 200,000 votes. Since taking

OVAL OFFICE QUEST BY THE NUMBERS

Campaign appearances in Pennsylvania

George W. Bush: 25
John Kerry: None

Registered voters statewide, November 2003

Republicans: 3,204,440
Democrats: 3,677,488

State votes cast in 2000

George W. Bush: 2,281,127
Al Gore: 2,485,967

■ Number of times since 1824 that Pennsylvania voters have failed to pick the winning presidential candidate: **5**

■ Most recent instance of that: **2000**

■ Democratic delegates in Pennsylvania: **178**

■ Democratic delegates not pledged to any candidate: **27**

■ Democratic presidential candidates on Pennsylvania's primary ballot: **5**

■ Impact of Pennsylvania primary voting on this race: **None**

Source: Morning Call research

office, he has visited the Keystone state 25 times, including a trip last month to Central Dauphin High School near Harrisburg.

KERRY PAGE A2

California court bars same-sex weddings in San Francisco

Massachusetts moves a step closer to a ban — by amendment.

By David Kravets
Of The Associated Press

SAN FRANCISCO | The California Supreme Court ordered an immediate halt to same-sex weddings in San Francisco on Thursday as Massachusetts lawmakers gave preliminary approval to a constitutional amendment to ban gay marriages in the only state where they have been ruled legal.

Teary-eyed couples were quickly turned away at San Francisco's City Hall, where 4,161 gay couples have tied the knot in the last month.

"We were filling out the application and they told us to stop," said Art Adams, who was the first to be denied as

he and partner Devin Baker sought a license. "It's heart-breaking. I don't understand why two people in love should be prevented from expressing it."

On the other side of the country, Massachusetts legislators returned to the Capitol to consider a constitutional amendment that would strip gay couples of their court-recognized right to marriage but allow civil unions.

The amendment won approval during two preliminary votes, but its final passage is far from certain. Gay marriage supporters were conducting procedural maneuvers that could ultimately lead to the proposal's defeat.

Massachusetts took center stage in the national debate over gay marriage after a landmark decision by its highest

GAY MARRIAGE PAGE A4



Clay Aiken a winner for Musikfest

'American Idol' star Clay Aiken will open Musikfest on Aug. 6. Tickets go on sale in May. Story, **B1**

Ortega Gaines Associated Press



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