

NEWS BRIEFING

A LOOK AT THIS MORNING'S HEADLINES

Sickly British child gets wish — visit with a movie star



NEWPORT

(AP) — Elija Taylor had three wishes, all exactly the same: to meet his black and white dreamboat, Keiko the killer whale.

His wishes became reality Thursday as the sickly 7-year-old from Walsall, England, got a behind-the-scenes visit with the movie star orca.

"He let me stroke him," Elija bubbled during a telephone interview from his Newport hotel room. "He's nice."

Actually, Elija's mother said, glass separated boy and whale. But Elija and his family could hear Keiko calling out whale noises.

"We were watching him and he was watching us," said Elija's mother, Sandra Taylor. "It was lovely."

Wishes, a nonprofit foundation in England, paid the air fare for Elija and his mother while other donors bought plane tickets for his grandparents to fly over earlier this week. Raz Transportation donated a van ride from Portland to Newport and Best Western Hallmark Resort chipped in two rooms for a week.

Taylor said she was touched by a packet of letters and drawings that two first-grade classes at the Sam Case School in Newport sent to Elija.

Elija suffers from chronic granulomatous disorder, which is a potentially fatal immune disorder, and damaged lungs.

Three 13-year-old boys arrested in junior high bomb plot



MINOIA, N.Y.

(AP) — Three 13-year-old boys armed with fertilizer, diesel fuel and bomb-making plans they apparently got from the Internet were arrested for plotting to blow up their junior high school, police said.

Tipped off by other students, police in the town of Manlius arrested the teen-agers on Wednesday and said they found bomb-making materials at one boy's house.

The teen-agers were charged as juveniles with conspiracy to commit criminal mischief.

Study bolsters theory that obese don't get hormonal message

NEW YORK (AP) — Scientists reported new evidence today that most obese people are not getting a "slim-down" message from a hormone.

A study of 139 obese people and 136 volunteers of normal weight found that the fat participants had higher levels of a hormone called leptin in their blood. Leptin is created by fat cells, and scientists believe it lets the brain keep tabs on the body's fat level.

In some fat mice, injections of leptin lead to weight loss. But new research, such as a pair of studies published last August, raises questions about whether giving fat people additional leptin would do the same for them.

Police arrest monks on suspicion of fraud



TOKYO (AP)

— Police on Thursday arrested six Buddhist monks accused of convincing ill or troubled people they were possessed by evil spirits and then charging high fees to exorcize the demons.

The monks are members of the Meikakuji temple group, which has taken in an estimated \$113 million in exorcism fees in the past eight years, officials said.

Gishun Nishikawa, head of the temple group, was arrested with three monks in Tokyo, and two other suspects were arrested in other prefectures.

Police said Nishikawa, 55, is suspected of running a nationwide fraud ring in which temple employees would advertise a cure for sick and depressed visitors, then tell them they were possessed.

Moscow weather, drunkenness make deadly combination

MOSCOW (AP) — An estimated 400 people — all of them drunk — have frozen to death in Moscow so far this winter, the Interfax news agency reported Thursday.

Hundreds of people die each year during the Russian winter as a result of hypothermia and drunkenness, which leaves them incapable of seeking shelter from the cold.

Winter temperatures in Russia have topped the freezing mark only once at 36 F on Dec. 24.

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