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UC protest turns into riot

Update 9:14 -- Demonstration hits streets; windows are broken, trash cans set ablaze. [Video \(Zennie\)](#).



Infusion crackdown hits

Uproar ensues as state agency warns bars not to alter alcohol with veggies, spices and fruit.



Gold soars to new high

S. Korea's Kim skates to record score; Rochette third. [Gallery](#). Weir upset | [Day 14 pics](#) | [More](#)

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While Anthem has hit individuals with 39% increases, other insurers have left small firms reeling with their new rates.

Obama challenges Republicans on health care
Calif. AG subpoenas documents from health insurers

So that pillow fight'll cost you \$35K



There's a big cleanup tab for the feathery fun had by many on V-Day. And cash-strapped SF wants organizers to pay.

[Photos from the Great S.F. Pillow Fight](#)

Oakland ends unequal ticketing policy



Official says practice of issuing tickets for certain violations in some neighborhoods while issuing courtesy notices in others is ended.

Johnson: Policy was just another Oakland failure
(2/25) Oakland parking ticket policy called 'not fair'

Rain coming, will be nasty for P.M. commute 9:30 AM

E. Coast storm cuts power to 800,000 (pics) 9:00 AM

LAPD reserve officer fatally shoots his son 7:05 AM

Stogies, booze on ice after hockey gold (pics) 4:32 AM

Dugard, family file claims against Calif 7:40 AM

'Growing Pains' actor an apparent suicide 4:26 AM

British politicians fall victim to Twitter scam 7:25 AM

Daily Dish!



New guy in Reese's life?; Sir Anthony disses 'soulless' Paris. Dish!

Day In Pictures



Wet elephant, sumo scrum, cow belle. DIP!
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9:21 AM BERKELEY: Raw Video Of Berkeley Riot: [bit.ly/dqr9xO \(ktvu\)](#)

9:21 AM Strong storm prompts evacuations in Southern California: LOS ANGELES ? About 200 homes were ordered evacuated toda... [bit.ly/dogIrV \(mercnews\)](#)

9:21 AM Ferocious fire at oceanfront Hampton Beach hotel destroys block of businesses: HAMPTON, N.H. ? A fire that started... [bit.ly/bu3ESn \(mercnews\)](#)

9:21 AM College basketball: Santa Clara's struggles with Gonzaga continues: Saint Mary's rolls past Pepperdine behind Samh... [bit.ly/bvEvVG \(mercnews\)](#)

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Friday, Feb 26, 10 am
Fort Mason Center, San Francisco



Mariah Carey
Friday, Feb 26, 8 pm
Oracle Arena, Oakland



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Friday, Feb 26, 8 pm
Great American Music Hall, San Francisco

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Parasite life cycle printed on Brazilian money, now out of circulation. Mission Loc@l By Anrica Deb A...



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The treasure hunt master of S.F.



Giving strangers \$100 isn't easy



Just how bitter and cynical are you?



Montanas' Wine Country villa (pics)

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Leftovers -- or left out of the fridge?

A's Drumbeat

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DPW wants flash pillow fighters to pay \$35,000

The Mommy Files

Friday Five: Your family weekend guide

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in Alameda

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Joe Nation breaks Maven's Heart

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**Prop. 8 suit may get cameras**

Bay Area's federal judges are again proposing to allow cameras in their courtrooms and it may lead to televised closing arguments.

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Judge rules state workers owed back pay

Newsom rolls with ex-adviser's punches

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**The best of Vancouver**

Jumping, the women's giant slalom, curling and much more. Updated throughout the day, beware of spoilers.

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**Oscar preview?**

"Hurt Locker" swept the BAFTAs, but you probably won't see these dresses on the red carpet in LA.

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**'Cop Out' is just that**

With this action comedy, director Kevin Smith has given us 110 worthless minutes, a bad formula movie like every other bad formula movie.

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Review: 'Red Riding Trilogy' too grim

Chinese New Year Treasure Hunt master clues in

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**Deep hole in Denver**

Biedrins shows life early but misses most of his shots as W's fall to the Nuggets.

Cust is back in his comfort zone with A's

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Are my favorite bartenders going to be sent to jail?

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Safety of SmartMeters questioned

Concerns grow from the debate over whether radiation from cell phones, Wi-Fi computers and other wireless devices can cause cancer or other ailments.

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January home sales fall 7.2 percent
A brutal 2 years for those in CalPERS
Palm's new smartphones failing to fuel sales
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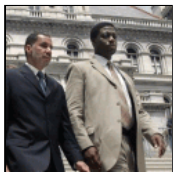
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Just days after announcing bid, he decides to back out amid growing controversy.

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Basket springs up from flat piece of felt

With his Avva felt bread baskets, Berkeley designer Josh Jakus show that he knows how to fold 'em so they hold 'em.

Tea towels | Feather finery

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Europe on your mind?

Fares to Europe are at the late-winter low point; now you just need to find the perfect vacation rental in Pisa, Provence or Prague.

Plus: home exchange tips

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Obama Backs Auto Insurance Regulation
Drivers Pay \$44/mo on Avg for Car Insurance. Are you paying too much?
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