



Moving, in a Few Easy Steps Students from the Alvin Ailey American Dance Theater had just a few blocks to cover yesterday to get from their current home on West 61st Street in Manhattan to the groundbreaking ceremonies for a new \$4 million center at 55th Street and Ninth Avenue. How else to get there but dance?

Macabre Clue In Sniper Case: A Tarot Card

By FRANCIS X. CUNNEEN with FOX BUTTERFIELD ROCKVILLE, Md., Oct. 9 — The hunt for the suburban sniper grew more macabre today with the disclosure that the gunman seemed to have left a tarot card openly challenging the police at the scene of a shooting Monday in which a 13-year-old student was critically wounded.

Fewer Offices, More Options In Planning for Ground Zero

By EDWARD WYATT Officials overseeing the rebuilding of Lower Manhattan agreed yesterday to give designers more flexibility in planning the future of the World Trade Center site, reducing by 40 percent the amount of the commercial space that must be included in plans for it.

2 Key Senate Critics Back Bush Over Iraq

With Congress pushing toward a vote on whether to authorize military action in Iraq, President Bush gained some support from two of the Senate's most outspoken critics of the administration's policy.

U.S. Aides Split On Assessment Of Iraq's Plans

C.I.A. Sees Less Risk of Hussein Aid to Qaeda

By MICHAEL R. GORDON WASHINGTON, Oct. 9 — A letter to Congress from the director of central intelligence has brought into public view divisions within the administration over what intelligence shows about Iraq's intentions and its willingness to ally itself with Al Qaeda.

U.S. INDICTS HEAD OF ISLAMIC CHARITY IN QAEDA FINANCING

SEEN AS BIN LADEN FRONT

Prosecutors in Chicago Bring Sweeping Charges Against a Syrian Born Citizen

By ERIC LICHTBLAU WASHINGTON, Oct. 9 — The leader of a prominent Islamic charity was indicted on conspiracy and racketeering charges today in Chicago in what officials say was the most significant criminal case that federal officials have brought as they seek to shut down Al Qaeda's terrorist network.

2 Altered Genes Are Linked To Congestive Heart Failure

By GINA KOLATA People who inherit common variants of two genes have 10 times the risk of developing congestive heart failure, a condition that affects 7 million Americans, researchers say.

Death and Revenge: Palestinian vs. Palestinian

By JAMES BENNETT NUSSEIRAT REFUGEE CAMP, Gaza Strip, Oct. 9 — In Gaza, where private pain often has political causes and consequences, it should perhaps come as no surprise that the grief of the Akef family has brought Palestinians to what they call the brink of civil war.

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Tape Spurs Terror Warning

Federal officials issued a new warning about possible terrorist attacks based on threats in a tape they believe was made by Osama bin Laden's top aide.

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Yousef Akef was killed by other Palestinians a year ago. When his death was avenged on Monday, his mother, Aysha, and his niece, Islam, 7, felt they could finally grieve in the family's house in Gaza.

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Nobel Is Awarded In Economics and Chemistry

Two Americans have won the Nobel in economics, science for trying to explain the idiosyncrasies of decision making. Three scientists shared the chemistry prize.

Police Roundup in Kuwait

The police in Kuwait rounded up dozens of people for questioning after two young Kuwaiti men shot an American marine on Tuesday, killing one.

Gifts to Clintons Revealed

Documents released by Republican Congressional investigators show the Clintons were given roughly \$1 million in previously unreported gifts.

Markets Continue to Falter

Investors pushed stocks lower as worries spread to the corporate bond market. The Nasdaq hit a six-year low; the Dow hit a five-year low.

Angels and Giants Win

Anthem beat Minnesota, 6-1, to even the American League series at a game apiece. In the National League opener, San Francisco beat St. Louis, 9-6.

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