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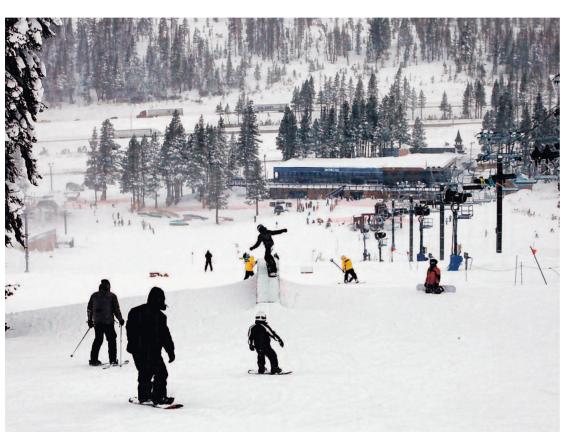
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Piles of powder

Storms make for brighter days at Tahoe ski resorts



Sierra skiers are already getting their exercise fix at Boreal, near Truckee, one of many resorts that opened after 3 feet of snow fell in the Lake Tahoe area over the weekend. Nearly twice that fell in the higher elevations, where Squaw Valley and other resorts are located. A new storm is expected to add more than 2 feet of fresh snow by this afternoon.

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>> Slope Dope: The latest info for skiers and boarders. sfgate.com/slopedope

Drug cuts **HIV** risk drastically in study

Research hailed as major advance in battle to end AIDS epidemic

By Erin Allday

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Gay and bisexual men who took a daily antiretroviral drug significantly reduced their risk of contracting HIV, according to a study from San Francisco's Gladstone Institutes that public health officials are declaring a major breakthrough in the long struggle to slow down the global AIDS epidemic.

The study, published in today's edition of the New England Journal of Medicine, followed 2,499 men in six countries — including 120 men in San Francisco — with half of them taking the drug Truvada and half taking a placebo. Among the group taking Truvada, which is used to treat people who are HIV-positive, 36 men contracted HIV, compared with 64 men in the placebo group HIV continues on A17



>> To learn more: An abstract of the study on preventive use of the antiretroviral drug Truvada can be found at www.nejm.org.

IMMIGRATION

Freed student returns to S.F., vows to fight on

By Jessica Kwong

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The past three days have been like a dream for Steve Li. After spending more than

two months at a detention center in Arizona, Li, who was on the verge of being deported to Peru, is back in San Francisco - the only place he's ever considered home.

"Finally, this nightmare was over, but it's still surreal to me," the 20-year-old City College student said Monday. "I've been everywhere lately, it's been an

emotional rollercoaster." Since his return Saturday, Li has mostly avoided the media and appreciated simple things – sleeping in his own bed, a sushi dinner, and dim sum with

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ELECTION 2010 Governor's Race

Nurses union had key role in Whitman's maid story

By Carla Marinucci

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One of the most tantalizing mysteries in California's 2010 gubernatorial election involved the connection between one of the state's poorest women and one of its wealthiest.

How did an undocumented, Mexican-born housekeeper, Nicandra Diaz Santillan, end up in the national spotlight, boldly confronting her former boss, billionaire GOP gubernatorial candidate Meg Whitman?

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S.F. POLITICS

To supes, left is right for mayor

By Rachel Gordon

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The solid left majority on the San Francisco Board of Supervisors has an opportunity to do what city voters haven't done for more than two decades: put a progressive in the mayor's office.

Not since the election of Art Agnos in 1987 has a progressive served as mayor, and his tenure ended four years later when he lost his re-election bid to Frank Jordan, the more conservative former police chief. The only progressive mayor before Agnos, George Moscone, was assassinated in 1978, three years into his first term.

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"This is a golden opportunity for the progressives."

David Lee, head of the Chinese American Voters Education Committee

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