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COVER STORY: HOLLYWOOD'S BIGGEST SEASON

While Spider-Man seems to have the box office wrapped up in his web, Yoda's light saber is poised to cut through the net. Moviegoers, get ready for Hollywood's biggest blockbuster season of action, romance and much more! **Joel Stein** takes us through some of the biggest money-making films in Hollywood and looks at the key ingredients that make *Spider-Man* a box-office hit and the start of a lucrative franchise.

MIDDLE EAST: THE SAGA OF THE SIEGE

After a five-week siege by Israeli troops, Palestinian militants finally quit the Church of the Nativity, one of the world's oldest working churches. **Matt Rees** reports from Bethlehem and offers the inside story of the standoff, and how a deal was struck to get the Palestinians out.

SEPT 11: THE FRENCH CONSPIRACY THEORY

Move over, Fox Mulder, as Thierry Meyssan has announced a new quest for the truth - that of Sept 11. In his new French best-seller *L'Effroyable Imposture (The Horrifying Fraud)*, Meyssan makes the astonishing suggestion that the terrorist attacks of Sept 11 were carried out by the U.S. government in order to benefit the military-industrial lobby and to create an excuse to launch war on Afghanistan and Iraq. **Bruce Crumley** reports.

BUSINESS: WALL STREET

A widening probe of U.S. stock analysts shows that they have long played average investors for fools. **Daniel Kadlec** presents a special report on the Wall Street crackdown.

MEDICINE: CHRONIC FATIGUE SYNDROME

Are sufferers of chronic fatigue syndrome (CFS) neurotic or simply misunderstood? This age-old debate has spawned much controversy over the years as doctors fail to find a physical cause. **Daniel Williams** looks at the symptoms and possible triggers of the illness as he takes us through a number of case studies.

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