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Rail cars blown off Huey P. Long Bridge

No injuries reported as wind gusts reach 70 mph

WEATHER TODAY COULD BE A REPEAT



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Four crumpled freight cars lay under the Huey P. Long Bridge on Monday after wind gusts as high as 70 mph blew them off the rails of the structure. The bridge remains closed to rail traffic as structural engineers inspect it.

Officials say no hazardous materials were on board

By Andrea Shaw
Staff writer

Cleanup of crumpled shipping containers under the Huey P. Long Bridge trestle in Elmwood began late Monday after high winds blew four rail cars off the elevated tracks during a severe storm. The bridge remained closed to rail traffic, but one track could open this morning, an official said.

The National Weather Service was assessing damage to determine whether a tornado touched down in the area. Wind gusts reached 70 mph.

No one was injured and no hazardous materials were aboard the rail cars, said Jeff Davis, general

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Flash flood watch remains in effect for today

By Mark Schleifstein
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Severe thunderstorms and heavy rainfall remain a threat for New Orleans, Baton Rouge, the north shore and other parts of southeastern Louisiana today, even as residents attempt to recover from similar weather that swept through the area Monday, according to the Slidell office of the National Weather Service.

Large severe thunderstorms that developed off the upper Texas coast moved over Louisiana on midday Monday and were predicted to reappear late Monday night.

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Heavy weather hits downtown New Orleans amid tornado warnings.
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Kennedy key figure in gay marriage case

High court to hear arguments today

By Bruce Alpert
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WASHINGTON — For proponents of same-sex marriage, the words that give them hope they will prevail in the U.S. Supreme Court were delivered by Justice Anthony Kennedy.

Kennedy, an appointee of President Ronald Reagan and a likely swing vote, wrote the 2013 majority ruling that struck down a portion of the federal Defense of Marriage Act that denied federal benefits to same-sex couples legally married.

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Supreme Court Justice Anthony Kennedy: Wrote the 2013 majority ruling that struck down a portion of the federal Defense of Marriage Act that denied federal benefits to same-sex couples that were legally married

3 convicted of fraud in tax credit case

By Andy Grimm
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Michael Arata Found guilty along with two partners of defrauding state program of \$1.1 million

New Orleans attorney and actor Michael Arata and his two partners in the multimillion-dollar renovation of a Marigny mansion were convicted Monday of defrauding a state tax credit program of \$1.1 million.

Hollywood executive Peter Hoffman, his wife Susan and Arata were found guilty of conspiracy to commit wire fraud in connection with the rehab of a 155-year-old mansion at 807 Esplanade Avenue that they turned into a film post-production studio.

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A man and a child sit Monday at the airport in Kathmandu, Nepal, as earthquake victims wait for ambulances.

Paths blocked to villages at quake's epicenter

Worst-hit areas of Nepal inaccessible

By Thomas Fuller and Ellen Barry
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SAURPANI, NEPAL — Five hours by car from Kathmandu, then by foot for several miles past the

spot where the road is blocked by boulders and mud, people from the villages near the epicenter of Nepal's powerful earthquake are burying their dead, despairing of help arriving anytime soon.

On Monday, Parbati Dhakal and several dozen of her neighbors walked two hours down a jungle path, carrying 11 bodies attached to bamboo poles. They stopped at a riverbank where

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