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TomKat's spawn, **Suri Cruise**,

gleefully ran around **Biography Bookstore** in the West Village on Monday, dropping books at the feet of mom **Katie Holmes**. Afterward, mom and daughter-headed across the street to **Magnolia's** bakery for some treats.

Fists and drinks flew between **Kingston, N.Y.**, mayor **James Sottile** and **Mari Ann Sennett**, wife of Ulster County DA candidate **Jonathan Sennett** last week — and the whole thing is on YouTube. The vid shows Sottile, 50, raising his hand to Sennett, 40, during a party at the Mariner's Harbor bar. She then throws three punches and douses the mayor with her drink before he fires a cocktail grenade of his own. We're guessing that Mrs. Sennett doesn't like that Sottile's

helping to force a Democratic primary against her husband, the party nominee. Sennett called his wife's spat "a poor decision on both their parts," while Sottile said he was "publicly humiliated."

Jessica Simpson spent her 27th birthday in Malibu with her maltipoo and her assistant, *OK!* mag claims. Sniff!

What major young movie actor is practically giving his upstairs neighbors contact highs by smoking pot on his balcony so often?

Adam Sandler always goes to **Carmine's** whenever he has a new movie, and with "I Now Pronounce You **Chuck and Larry**" opening, this week is no different. The comic's bringing 25 of his very closest friends to the upper West Side boite, because, says a source, "he feels **Carmine's** brings him luck."

Star sightings: **Justin Timberlake** at **Butter** Monday night; "Harry Potter" star **Emma Watson** at "Avenue Q" on Broadway Friday; **Diane Sawyer** and **Mike Nichols** cheering **Patti LuPone** at "Gypsy"

Saturday night; Democratic Leadership Council chairman **Harold Ford Jr.** working the room at the Safe Horizon benefit at **Dune** in Southampton, introducing himself to **Jay-Z**, **Nas** and **Kid Rock**; and presidential candidate **Sen. Joe Biden**, without entourage, walking through Penn Station.

What if the vice president were not satisfied with merely controlling the President — and actually wanted to overthrow him and seize power? That's the plot of **Jamie Malanowski's** new book, "The Coup," excerpted in *Playboy*. But he didn't base it on Mr. Congeniality ... er, VP **Dick Cheney**. "It's not based on the current administration," Malanowski, *Playboy's* managing editor, told us at Elaine's as *Playboy Enterprises* chairwoman **Christie Hefner**, *Playboy* editorial director **Christopher Napolitano** and *Vanity Fair's* **John Connolly** looked on. "You can see glimmers in there which may resemble our leadership, but it's wholly a work of fiction." What's not fiction? "Leading us off

to war. It's an awful thing."

Iman will be front and center at **Room Service** on E. 21st St. tonight to celebrate *Trace* magazine's **Black Girls Rule** issue, which she guest-edited.

Tony Sirico, aka **Paulie Walnuts** of "The Sopranos," slipped on his white shoes to meet some real tough guys last weekend on the beach in Rockaway. Forty amputee soldiers learned everything from scuba to waterskiing from the FDNY at the Wounded Warriors water sports festival.

Members of the group **Dispatch** got back more than they gave at three sold-out concerts at **Madison Square Garden** over the weekend. The indie band reunited to give 100% of the profits — three quarters of a million dollars — to a charity fund set up to help the beleaguered nation of Zimbabwe. Member **Brad Corrigan** told us, "We brought in four kids from Zimbabwe to join us on stage ... They were our angels. At the end, we were all in tears because we didn't want it to end."