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Deep Fat Frying



>> Schools shall not use deep fat frying as a method to prepare food.

Fruits & Vegetables



>> Schools shall offer at least one fruit and one non-fried vegetable at all



Calories



>> Schools shall serve at minimum 100 percent and a maximum 110 percent of the appropriate level of calories per week to ensure meals comply with USDA calorie levels.

Schools move toward new USDA lunch guidelines

By Laurie Welch **Times-News writer**

RUPERT — The days of pre-fried chicken patties, corn dogs and tater tots are numbered, or will at least be restricted, in Minidoka County schools as the district steps up to meet new state nutritional guidelines.

The district, along with all other state school districts, will be required to comply with the new nutrition standards for school meals handed down in anticipation of more stringent requirements implemented by the United States Department of Agriculture by August.

Sixteen-year school cook Betty Morin said the food they are serving today is definitely getting healthier and is fresher than it used to be.

'We are also serving more of it, and sometimes that means more waste," Morin said.

District Food Service Supervisor Phyllis Bean said the new guidelines require that the schools only serve three pre-fried items a week, which includes things the schools typically serve for breakfast such as hash browns, French toast sticks and breakfast biscuits, as well as lunch items like crispitos and chicken nuggets, all of which are student favorites.

Bean said the schools will still be able to serve a limited

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Betty Morin, cook at Rupert Elementary School, gets ready to serve a healthier cookie made with raisins, sunflower seeds, coconut and peanuts to the school's students during lunch time.

School serving recommendations courtesy Idaho State Department of Education

Condiments

>> Schools shall not have salt shakers, sugar dispensers or packets of either avail-



Whole Grains



>> Schools shall offer one whole grain in all serving lines at least three times per week during both breakfast and lunch.

Pre-Fried Foods



>> Schools shall limit serving pre-fried, flash-fried or par-fried sides or entrees to no more than three times per week.

Small schools get legislative boost

Bill to create more leeway in keeping tiny schools open passes committee

By Jared S. Hopkins **Times-News writer**

BOISE — A House panel unanimously approved legislation Monday that would give the State Board of Education more leeway in keeping tiny schools open.

The bill, sponsored by Rep. Rich Wills, R-Glenns Ferry, and Sen. Bert Brackett, R-Rogerson, is designed to give the board more discretion when school district enrollments shrink so small that the board must dissolve them. House Education Committee sent it to the floor on a unanimous vote.

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District dissolution is now mandated for a handful of reasons, including declining enrollment of less than five students. The legislation simply changes the word "shall" to "may," which means the board wouldn't be required to dissolve the schools.

The bill could affect as many as five districts, Brackett told the committee, including Three Creek near Rogerson. The others are Avery, Prairie View near Mountain Home, Pleasant Valley near Marsing and Arbon Valley in Power County.

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T.F./church land swap to get public hearing

Council sets hearing for March 23

By Ben Botkin Times-News writer

Four months after Twin Falls city officials deeded over land to the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, they're making plans for the public hearing that was supposed take place before the property deeds were signed.

The Twin Falls City Monday Council on approved a resolution that schedules a public hearing for March 23 and declares the intent to ratify the property exchange. Council members will vote on the ratification following the public hearing.

The city council in September approved an agreement with the LDS church in which the city gave a 1.3-acre parcel near Canyon Ridge High School and \$258,991 to the church. In exchange, the city received the church's softball complex south of Highland Park.

The land near Canyon Ridge High School, where the LDS church plans to build a seminary, was deeded over to the church in November.

"We didn't follow the process," City Manager Tom Courtney said.

After the Times-News asked questions about the process, the city officials realized that Idaho code

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Madrid pleads guilty

Woman, two others burglarized dead man's home

By Nate Poppino Times-News writer

Just days after requesting a new public defender, the owner of the home where 18year-old Dale Miller was found dead in a barrel pleaded guilty on Monday to burglarizing Miller's apartment.

Rachel Madrid charged with burglarizing the Twin Falls apartment with two men convicted of the 2007 killing connected to a drug debt: John McElhiney and Cameron Watts.

She appeared in court last week, ostensibly to change her previous plea, but instead asked for another lawyer and met in conference with 5th District Judge G. Richard Bevan and her public defender, Loren Bingham.

Bingham told Bevan on Monday morning that his

client had originally signed a change of plea on Feb. 11, but that he had had further questions and concerns about the matter last week. After visiting with Madrid afterward, she again signed the guilty plea on Monday. Madrid had to be prompt-

ed by Bevan when asked why she was guilty,

trailing off

a couple of

times at first.

She told the

judge early



in the 15minute hearing that she didn't actually take the items from Miller's apartment her-

"I just went to inventory," she said. "I didn't go with intent."

But a few minutes later, she said that she went to the apartment on Madrona Street with McElhiney and Watts intending to take

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"FIRST AMENDMENT SPEECH AND PRESS RIGHTS MAY ALSO BE SUBORDINATED

TO THE OVERRIDING NEED TO WAGE WAR SUCCESSFULLY."

- Former Deputy Assistant Attorney General John Yoo in a legal opinion following the 9/11 attacks

Former administration determined some constitutional rights didn't apply following 9/11 search for terrorists

By Devlin Barrett and Matt Apuzzo **Associated Press writers**

WASHINGTON — The Obama administration threw open the curtain on years of Bush-era secrets Monday, revealing anti-terror memos that claimed exceptional search-andseizure powers and divulging that the CIA destroyed nearly 100 videotapes of interrogations and other treatment of terror suspects. The Justice Department

released nine legal opinions showing that, following the Sept. 11, 2001, terrorist attacks, the Bush administration determined that certain constitutional rights would not apply during the coming fight. Within two weeks, government lawyers were already discussing ways to wiretap U.S. conversations without warrants.

The Bush administration eventually abandoned many of the legal conclusions, but the documents themselves had been closely held. By releasing them, President Barack Obama continued a house-cleaning of the previous administration's most contentious policies.

"Too often over the past decade, the fight against terrorism has been viewed as a



Justice Department memos from 2001 are seen in Washington Monday. The Justice Department on Monday released a long-secret legal document from 2001 in which the Bush administration claimed the military could search and seize terror suspects in the United States without war-

zero-sum battle with our the civil liberties," Attorney released. "Not only is that General Eric Holder said in a speech a few hours before

documents

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TODAY'S HAPPENINGS

ARTS AND ENTERTAINMENT

Jazz Jam, open to musicians of all ages and ability levels, hosted by Brent Jensen, 6 to 8 p.m., Pandora's restaurant, 516 Hansen St., Twin Falls, no cover, 732-6765 or biensen@csi.edu.

College of Southern Idaho Symphonic Band Concert, orchestral transcriptions for band and original band music from 19th, 20th and 21st century composers, 7:30 p.m., CSI's Fine Arts Center auditorium, Twin Falls, \$5 suggested donation, 208-732-6767 or ghalsell@csi.edu.

BENEFITS AND FUNDRAISERS

Buhl Rotary Club's annual Spaghetti Dinner and Silent Auction, 5 to 7 p.m., Popplewell Elementary School, Buhl, \$6 for adults, \$4 for children and \$15 for a family of five, 543-

CLUBS AND ORGANIZATIONS

NAIFA Southern Idaho monthly meeting, health insurance update by Steve Moore of Blue Cross, 11:30 a.m., Loong Hing Restaurant, Twin Falls, 208-737-4112.

Burley Rotary Club, noon, Burley Inn, 878-8382.

Rupert Kiwanis Club. noon. Rupert Elks Lodge. 850 S. 200 W., 436-8124.

Mary Time Club meeting, 12:30 p.m., Pasta Roma Cafe and Grill, 611 Blue Lakes Blvd., Twin Falls, 735-5213.

Burley District Grazing Board annual spring meeting, 6 p.m. no host dinner with 7 p.m. meeting to follow, The Wayside Cafe, exit 211 north of Burley, 208-436-6952.

Snake River Flats meeting, an all-male singing group, 7:30 p.m., Harmony Hall, 123 K St., Rupert, 436-6047.

EDUCATION/SEMINAR

Financial Peace University, beginning night of 13-week program, 6:30 p.m., Canyon Side Christian School, 60 E. 100 S., Jerome, 208-293-6235 or kka2001@hotmail.com.

EXHIBITS

"Domestic Life" exhibition, multidisciplinary project on the financial and time investments spent on homes, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Sun Valley Center for the Arts, 191 Fifth St. E., Ketchum, no cost, sunvalleycenter.org or 726-9491.

David Drake sculpture show, 9:30 a.m. to 9 p.m., Jean B. King Gallery, Herrett Center for the Arts and Science, College of Southern Idaho campus, 315 Falls Ave., no cost, 732-

"Cantabile," featuring the work of Chinese artist Andrew Lui, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., Gallery DeNovo, 320 First Ave. N., Suite 101, free admission, Gallerydenovo.com or 726-8180.

New work by Twin Falls sculptor Yvonne Jacques, noon to 5 p.m., Magic Valley Arts Council's La Galeria Pequena, 132 Main Ave. S., Main Street Plaza, Twin Falls, free admission, 734-2787 or Magicvalleyartscouncil.org.

Photographs and art by Carl Pulsifer and Joyce **Deford,** noon to 5 p.m., The Eighth Street Center, 200 N. Eighth St., Buhl, no cost, 543-

GOVERNMENT

Twin Falls County commissioners, 8:30 a.m., courthouse, 425 Shoshone St. N., 736-4068. Blaine County commissioners, 9 a.m., courthouse, 206 First Ave. S., Hailey, 788-5500. Jerome County commissioners, 9 a.m., courthouse, 300 N. Lincoln St., 644-2700.

Jerome City Council, 5:30 p.m., council chambers, 100 E. Ave. A, 324-8189. Albion City Council, 7 p.m., civic center, 124 S.

Main St., 673-5352. Burley City Council, 7 p.m., City Hall, 1401

Overland Ave., 878-2224.

Kimberly Zoning Commission, 7 p.m., community center, 120 Madison St. W., 423-4151. Rupert City Council, 7 p.m., City Hall, 624 F St., 436-9600.

Shoshone City Council, 7 p.m., City Hall, 207 S. Rail St. W., 886-2030.

Filer City Council, 7:30 p.m., City Hall, 300 Main St., 326-5000.

HEALTH AND WELLNESS

SilverSneakers Fitness Program at Curves of Twin Falls, complete cardio and circuit training with resistance, state-of-the-art equipment and "Curves Smart" personalized coaching, 5:30 a.m. to 7 p.m., Twin Falls Curves, 690 Blue

Lakes Blvd. N., no cost for Humana Goldinsured or AARP provided by Secure Horizons, 734-7300.

College of Southern Idaho's Over 60 and Getting Fit programs, 9:15 to 10:15 a.m., Hagerman High School gym; and 11: 10 a.m. to 12:15 p.m., at Declo High School gym, no cost, 732-6475.

TOPS Weight Support Group Chapter ID No. 374, 10 a.m., 410 E. Third St., Rupert, 436-6037.

Fit and Fall Proof Exercise Class, 10 to 11 a.m., Living Waters Presbyterian Church, 821 E. Main St., Wendell, no cost, 737-5988.

Fit and Fall Proof Exercise Class, 10:30 a.m., First Segregation Fire Station, Eden, no cost, 737-5988.

Ongoing exercise program for people with Parkinson's disease, offered by Magic Valley Regional Medical Center, 11 a.m. to noon, Episcopal Church of the Ascension, 371 Eastland Drive N., Twin Falls, no cost, 737-2977.

SilverSneakers Fitness Program, innovative exercise program designed specifically for Medicare beneficiaries' unique health and physical needs, 11:15 a.m. to noon, Twin Falls YMCA, 1751 Elizabeth Blvd., no cost for Humana-insured or YMCA members and \$5 per class for non-insured, 733-4384.

Bereavement education group, Tuesdays through April 7, opportunity for emotional support, education about grieving and getting acquainted with other adults who have suffered loss of loved one through death, sponsored by Hospice of Intermountain Healthcare and Cassia Regional Medical Center, 5 to 6:30 p.m., Parkview Care Center, Oakley Room (enter old hospital ER rear entrance; Oakley Room on left before closed double doors), Burley, 678-8844 to register.

Adult Children Anonymous (ACA) meeting, for individuals recovering from alcoholic or dysfunctional family environment, 6 p.m., Canyon View Psychiatric and Addiction Services, 228 Shoup Ave. W. (west entrance), Twin Falls, no cost, 308-5656.

Mini-Cassia Domestic Violence Support group for women meeting, 6 to 7 p.m., 123 S. C St., Rupert, 208-436-0987.

HOBBIES AND CRAFTS

Line Dance Classes, 6 p.m., Twin Falls Senior Center, 530 Shoshone St. W., Twin Falls, \$3 donation, 410-5650 or www.galenslatter.com.

LIBRARY

Let's Talk About It book discussion, "Prodigal Summer" by Barbara Kingsolver, 7 p.m., Filer Public Library, 219 Main St., Filer, books available for checkout, Filer library card not required, 326-4143.

MUSEUMS AND PARKS

"Mingle in the Jungle" free reptile review, 6 p.m., Herrett Center Rain Forest, no cost; Faulkner Planetarium "Bad Astronomy: Myths and Misconceptions," 7 p.m., Herrett Center for Arts and Science, north end of the College of Southern Idaho campus, Twin Falls, \$4.50 for adults, \$3.50 for senior citizens, \$2.50 for students, no cost for children under age 2 and a special price package for families with five children or less, 732-6655.

Family Night telescope viewing, 7:30 to 9 p.m., Centennial Observatory, Herrett Center for Arts and Science, north end of the College of Southern Idaho campus, Twin Falls, \$1.50 or no cost with planetarium show admission or for children age 6 and younger, 732-6655.

TODAY'S DEADLINE

Workshop reminder for March 10 "Id e a and i e p's," a free workshop offered by Idaho Parents Unlimited for parents, friends, relatives and providers of children with disabilities, 1 to 3 p.m., Department of Commerce and Labor building, 420 Falls Ave., Twin Falls, 733-1712 or mnielson@lincidaho.org.

To have an event listed, please submit the name of the event, a brief description, time, place, cost and contact number to Suzanne Browne by e-mail at sbrowne@magicvalley.com; by fax, 734-5538; or by mail, Times-News, P.O.Box 548, Twin Falls, ID 83303-0548. Deadline is noon, four days in advance of the

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Alternatives

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number of these types of items but will be using more recipes that substitute wheat flour and whole-grain rice.

At Minico High School where five different food lines — including two for pizza are offered each day, the new guidelines will be a challenge for Bean, who will have to find a local pizza parlor willing to whip up whole grain pizza. The pizza at the high school is provided by local pizzerias.

"All of the serving lines have to have whole grains three days a week," Bean include no deep-fat frying, offering skim and 1 percent milk and eliminating cereal, breads, pastries, cookies and cakes with more than 14 grams of sugar per ounce in purchased products, with fruit exempt.

Salt and sugar packets will not be available to students and schools are encouraged to offer low-fat condiments.

Bean said she develops the recipes used at all district schools and is working on several healthy options, including a chicken teriyaki bowl using half whole-grain rice mixed with white rice.

Other requirements will The dish will be served in an Asian-style take-home box or fancy bowl to entice students to give it a try.

"It's all in how you package it," Bean said.

Bean said the lunches will have more fiber and be healthier but they will also come at an increased cost to the district. But right now the district does not have any plans to increase the students' lunch cost.

"Healthier is always more expensive," Bean said.

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Schools

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Brackett, who represents rural Owyhee County and western Twin Falls County, said afterward the bill helps the remote parts of Idaho. Closing or consolidating the schools and transporting students to the next-closest school could be trouble if the weather gets bad.

"If it starts to snow and blow during the morning that's called a snow day," Brackett said. "If it starts to snow or blow during the day, that's called an inconvenience. But if it starts to snow and blow in transit or during a commute that could be a tragedy."

Rep. Stephen Hartgen, R-Twin Falls, who shares District 23 with Brackett, said keeping the small schools open is a cheaper alternative to transporting students.

"You are not really saving any substantial money," Hartgen said. "We want to have the services in these small communities because small, ranching communities alive."

Both Board spokesman Mark Browning and Karen Echeverria, a former toplevel board staffer who now lobbies for the Idaho School Boards Association, told the committee they could not recall the board recently closing a small school under the provision.

Harlan Mink, chairman of the Three Creek School board, knows what it's like to be in a small school district. The school in rural Twin Falls County serves students in kindergarten through eighth grade but now has just one student. A family with three kids moved away earlier this

Mink said he's not familiar with the proposed legislation, but said input from area residents has shown that people don't want the school to close.

"We've checked to see what the public that those

that's what keeps the who live around here thought, and so far the consensus has been try to keep running," Mink said.

He said the district already consolidated some services, such as contracting with nearby districts for a special needs educator instead of employing a full-time employee who would be idle during slow times.

But Mink said consolidation has never been given serious consideration because of the closest schools are 45 miles away.

Wills said that Prairie School District would be forced to transport students on a gravel road, a dangerous provision, particularly in the winter.

"It would really be a monumental task if this were not to pass," he said.

Staff writer Ben Botkin contributed to this report.

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Council

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requires a public hearing and a notice to be posted at least 14 days before a hearing concerning a land transaction can take place.

For the city, the land swap provided a softball complex for youth sports activities. For the LDS church, the agreement provided a seminary

school where students don't need to cross busy streets, Courtney wrote in his memo to city officials. "While error clouds the

location near the new high

process, the exchange has a very positive benefit to the Courtney community," wrote.

In other business, the city

council approved the final, 8.81-acre plat where Xavier Charter School will build a new school facility. The land is northeast of the intersection of North College Road West and Creekside Way.

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Madrid

Continued from Main 1 Miller's property in compen-

sation for money he owed them — once again stating that the other two physically removed the items.

Madrid's plea agreement with prosecutors recommends to Bevan that she give up her right to appeal her sentence, unless Bevan goes above the prosecution's suggested punishment. Twin Falls County Prosecutor Grant Loebs said later in the day that he plans to ask for 10 years in prison, five of those fixed.

Prosecutors in

dropped a "persistent violator" charge that carries up to life in prison. Madrid's trial was set to begin March 31. Her sentencing is set for 2 p.m. on May 4.

She was the last to receive a verdict on her role in Miller's murder, though she still faces a battery charge for fighting with other jail inmates.

Miller owed about \$250 to \$300 to Watts and McElhiney, and authorities allege the men roughed him up, put him in his car trunk and burglarized his home. At one point, Miller escaped from the

trunk, but was recaptured and later died, authorities have said. Both men pleaded guilty to

the murder, though McElhiney later unsuccessfully tried to reverse his plea. He will be sentenced on April Watts received life in

prison, though he will appear in court at 4 p.m. today objecting to his restitution payments.

Bobbi Woolsey, who provided a false alibi for Watts, was sentenced last month to a possible five years in prison.

Memos

Continued from Main 1 school of thought misguid-

ed, I fear that in actuality it does more harm than good."

The Obama administration also acknowledged in court documents Monday that the CIA destroyed 92 videos involving terror suspects, including interrogations — far more than had been known. Congressional Democrats and other critics have charged that some of the harsh interrogation techniques amounted to torture, a contention President George W. Bush and other Bush officials rejected.

The new administration pledged on Monday to begin turning over documents related to the videos to a federal judge and to make as much information public as possible.

The legal memos written by the Bush administration's Office of Legal Counsel show a government grappling with how to wage war

on terrorism in a fastchanging world. The conclusion, reiterated in page after page of documents, was that the president had broad authority to set aside constitutional rights. Fourth Amendment pro-

tections against unwarranted search and seizure, for instance, did not apply in the United States as long as the president was combatting terrorism, the Justice Department said in an Oct. 23, 2001, memo.

"First Amendment speech and press rights may also be subordinated to the overriding need to wage war successfully," Deputy Assistant Attorney General John Yoo wrote, adding later: "The current campaign against terrorism may require even broader exercises of federal power domestically."

On Sept. 25, 2001, Yoo discussed possible changes to the laws governing wiretaps for intelligence gathering. In that memo, he said the government's interest in keeping the nation safe following the terrorist attacks might justify warrantless searches. That memo did not

fy the government's warrantless wiretapping program, but it provided part of the foundation. Yoo, now a professor at

specifically attempt to justi-

the University of California at Berkeley School of Law, did not return messages seeking comment. The memos reflected a

belief within the Bush administration that the president had broad powers that could not be checked by Congress or the courts. That stance, in one form or another, became the foundation for many policies: holding detainees at Guantanamo Bay, eavesdropping on U.S. citizens without warrants, using tough new CIA interrogation tactics and locking U.S. citizens in military brigs without charges.

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You don't say **Steve Crump**

Last of the Bobcats? **Gooding College** fades away

ince November, four **Gooding College** alumni have died the last two aged 100 and 97, respectively ...

Which leads me to wonder: How many Gooding College alumni are left out there? ...

Gooding College was a four-year Methodist school that operated from 1917-38 on a 110-acre campus south of Gooding ... There were, during its 22-year history, dozens of graduates most of whom became teachers, farmers and small-business owners ...

Former Gov. and future U.S. Sen. Frank Gooding himself donated most of the land, and the community raised \$267,000 to get the college going ... The Great Depression, however, killed it off and the last two students graduated in 1938 ...

The first student enrolled at Gooding College was Frank Bennett, who later became president of Eastern Oregon State College ... Mary Blue in 1919 was the first graduate ... At its peak, the college had an enrollment of 209 in 1928 ... Fifty-six people graduated from Gooding College in its first decade ...

Bachelor of Arts was the only degree offered by the school ...

The college had one president most of its life, Charles Wesley Tenny, who ran the school from 1917-35 ... He resigned due to pressure to include non-academic subjects in the cur-

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riculum, part of a last-ditch effort to increase enrollment ...

The Methodists donated the campus to the state, which in 1947 turned it into a tuberculosis hospital ... It closed in 1976 ...

If you're a Gooding College alumni, or know someone who is, I'd like to hear from you ...

I SUSPECT I won't have as hard a time locating alumni of Magic Valley Christian College, the successor institution to Albion State Normal School which operated from 1958-69 ...

It was a Churches of Christ school — tiny and poorly funded by any standard — that operated on the old Albion campus, which the Church of Christ leased from the state for \$100 a year ...

In 1969, MVCC was merged with Baker College in Oregon, which itself closed a year later ... The Web site Classmates.com lists 38 MVCC alumni ...

If you're one of them, or would like to share your MVCC experience, call me

Steve Crump is the Times-News Opinion editor.

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\$100 bond.

United Oil pays \$123,000 to settle EPA violations

By Nate Poppino **Times-News writer**

A Jerome oil distributor will spend more than \$123,000 to settle Clean Water Act violations alleged by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.

The EPA announced Monday that United Oil will pay a \$32,680 penalty for failing to properly plan for possible petroleum spills at its 129 W. Ave. D location, and has installed new equipment to monitor for accidental overfills of some of its tanks. The company will also spend more than \$90,000 on spillresponse equipment for emergency responders in both Twin Falls and Idaho any actual spills from the

The penalty is the largest of its type to date in Idaho, EPA officials noted. The Jerome site stores bulk gasoline and diesel fuel, as well as a distribution and card-lock facility.

EPA inspectors discovered the oversight in June 2007, finding that the company had a prevention and response plan for the site but had not put most of it into practice. The worst violation was a lack of secondary containment around the facility's above-ground tanks or any containment at loading/off-loading rack.

Greg Weigel, an EPA coordinator in Boise, told the Associated Press

drain irrigation system means a large oil spill could travel through a canal to the Snake River.

"They need to be able to contain spills," he said.

The fine is about 10 times the typical penalty, Weigel said, and the company was fined previously for similar violations elsewhere in Idaho. It stores about 179,000 gallons of oil at Jerome.

The equipment donation is known as a "supplemental environmental project," an option usually negotiated between an offender and EPA attorneys, said Spaulding, an enforcement officer for EPA's Region 10 office. Though it does cost a little more, she said, it can

The agency did not report Jerome's combined storm help a company improve its public image.

"And it gives back to the community, too — which we like," Spaulding said.

United Oil was founded in Twin Falls as a fuel service station offering deliveries to regional farms in 1939. It merged with the Franklin Oil Company in Caldwell in

Staff at the Jerome office said Monday that they weren't aware of the settlement and that owner Rob Franklin was out of town for a

The Associated Press contributed to this report.

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AROUND THE VALLEY

Two arrested for using counterfeit bills

Twin Falls Police arrested two people on Sunday suspected of possessing counterfeit money, a felony.

Frank Ernesto Barrientos, 20, of Canoga Park, Calif., and an unidentified 17year-old female accomplice from Van Nuys, Calif., allegedly tried to spend the cash at the Magic Valley Mall. But they were caught when the female tried to buy a \$20 shirt at Deb and a cashier tested her \$100 bill with a money pen.

She and Barrientos, who allegedly managed to buy merchandise at RadioShack with another counterfeit \$100, were both detained by mall security outside Deb. Barrientos was later cited for providing a false name to police, according to the report filed on the arrest. Barrientos allegedly didn't give police his full name.

Police described one of the fake bills as too thick, glossy and bearing an exterior watermark instead of one embedded in it.

The couple may have passed similar bills in Idaho Falls and Pocatello, and business owners in all three areas who think they may have been scammed are advised to call police.

New Washington Street stoplight now functional

work on the temporary stoplight installed at Washington Street North and North College Drive, and the light is now functional.

Twin Falls city officials say drivers need to be aware of the new light and establish driving patterns according to its function.

The stoplight will operate as a normal intersection stoplight in daylight hours. At night, the stoplight will be a flashing stoplight flashing yellow to drivers on Washington Street North, and flashing red to drivers on North College Road.

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TWIN FALLS COUNTY **Monday arraignments**

Robert A. Huntsman II, 25, Twin Falls; driving without privileges, no insurance; no plea entered; public defender appointed; pretrial hearing set for March 24; released on own recognizance. Jimmy D. Stone, 44, Twin Falls; obstructing/delaying an officer; no plea entered; public defender appointed; pretrial hearing set for March 24; \$5,000 bond; felony eluding; pleaded innocent; public defender appointed; preliminary hearing set for March 13; \$50,000 bond. Robert Skinner, 44, Buhl; one count possession of a controlled substance, three counts unlawful possession of a firearm; pleaded innocent; public defender appointed; preliminary hearing set for March 13; \$5,000 bond; possession of a controlled substance; no plea entered; public defender appointed; pretrial hearing set for March 24; \$1,000 bond. Randall Rogers, 55, Twin Falls; possession of drug paraphernalia; no plea entered; public defender appointed; pretrial hearing set for March 24; posted bond; possession of a controlled substance; pleaded innocent; public defender appointed; preliminary hearing set for March 13; posted bond. Frank E. Barrientos, 20, Canoga Park, Calif.; forgery; pleaded innocent; public defender appointed; preliminary hearing set for March 13; \$25,000 bond; provide false information



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Bank gathers Latham vehicles at drive-in theater

Cars and trucks to be sent to auto auction in Boise

By Joshua Palmer Times-News writer

Vehicles from the former Latham and Hertz auto dealerships have been moved to the Motor-Vu Drive Inn Theater on Eastland Drive in

The vehicles were moved to the location before they are to be shipped to an auto auction in Boise.

move is part of KeyBank National Association's effort to collect assets after Robert Latham Jr. and Robert Latham Sr. allegedly violated contractual agree-

More than 50 cars and trucks were parked behind the large movie screen on Monday.

KeyBank alleges that Latham Jr. and Latham Sr. vio-



MEAGAN THOMPSON/Times-News

Vehicles from the former Latham and Hertz auto dealerships are parked at the Motor-Vu Drive Inn Theater in preparation for shipment to Boise.

lated agreements by wholesaling cars, failing to pay the bank, denying the bank the ability to inspect the cars, and violating limits on how many older used cars they could sell.

Acting on behalf of the bank, the Twin Falls County Sheriff's Office began seizing vehicles that had been on the Latham lots.

"The (theater) is a staging area before they send the cars up to Boise," said Sheriff's Office spokeswoman Lori Gallagher Ford in Elko, said

Nebeker. "But we are not his dealership received calls actively involved in moving the vehicles right now."

The Lathams operated Latham Motors in downtown Twin Falls, which closed in October, and Hertz of the Magic Valley, which closed earlier this month. The Lathams also operated

Latham's Auto Super Store in Elko, Nev., which appears to have closed in early February. Mike Gallagher, owner of

on Feb. 5 from Latham salespersons seeking employment at Gallagher.

"They said they were told (Latham's) was closing and not to come to work the next day," he said.

Gallagher added that the Latham lot was completely emptied of cars "by Tuesday or Wednesday of the next

"They sure left town fast,"

DAY FOR SEUSS



Emily Pearson, 6, peers up over freshly painted 'Cat in the Hat' features during the birthday celebration for Dr. Seuss at the Buhl Public Library. Monday would have been **Theodor Seuss** Geisel's 105th birthday and children across the nation (including several Magic Valley cities) celebrated by reading his works. About 30 children gathered in the Buhl library to listen to stories like 'I Can Read with My Eyes Shut' and 'Green Eggs and Ham.' MEAGAN THOMPSON/

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Williams receives rider for Smith's theft

Program could lead to prison time if suspect breaks terms

By Nate Poppino **Times-News writer**

A California man who caused chaos by flashing a gun at a Twin Falls grocery store could be in prison for as long as 12 years, a judge ruled Monday.

Fifth District Judge G. Richard Bevan sentenced Dagon Westley Williams, 23, to at least five years in jail for assault and drug possession, depending on how he behaves during a six-month rider program.

Authorities said Williams tried to steal a DVD player and a candy bar Dec. 6 from Smith's Food and Drug, at 1913 Addison Ave. E. in Twin

Some customers fled. Others helped an off-duty sheriff's deputy from Twin Falls County hold down Williams until police arrived to arrest him. Court papers stated Williams pulled a black 40-caliber handgun from under his sweatshirt during

the struggle. Williams pleaded guilty to run concurrently, he said, and

the charges in January.

Before issuing his sentence on Monday, Bevan told Williams his legal problem didn't seem to be violent tendencies so much as drug use. The judge said several times that he didn't understand why the "drug-addled thief" ended up in Twin Falls, but that he hopes Williams sticks with the drug treatment he

"You're a young man. You seem to be very sharp," Bevan

That said, the judge then added to the sentence suggested by prosecutors, giving Williams seven years for drug possession and 12 for aggravated assault. The sentences

only five years of each is fixed.

The rider will give Williams six months of counseling and drug-addiction treatment, after which prosecutors will decide if he should be released on probation or serve out the rest of his sentence. Possible options for him after the rider include the New Hope Community Health treatment center in Boise or moving back in with his parents in California. Both parties submitted letters to

Along with the jail time, Williams also has to pay \$2,000 in fines, \$350 for his public defender and roughly \$885 in restitution. He received credit for the 87 days he's spent in jail so far.

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Woman in Mini-Cassia crash submits to police charges

Driver allegedly left scene of Friday collision

By Laurie Welch Times-News writer

A Paul woman who allegedly crashed her car into another car Friday in Minidoka County and fled the scene turned herself into police Monday.

Claudia Perez, 32, allegedly fled the scene at 100 N. 400 W. in her 2002 Chevrolet Tahoe at 8:50 p.m. after she apparently failed to stop at a stop sign and broad-sided Virginia L. Onishi, 43, of Rupert, who was driving a 2007 Pontiac G6, owned by Judith A. Miller

5TH DISTRICT

COURT NEWS

TWIN FALLS COUNTY

Monday arraignments

domestic battery; no plea entered;

public defender appointed; pretrial

hearing set for March 24; released

domestic battery, injury to a child;

no plea entered; public defender

appointed; pretrial hearing set for March 24; released on own recog-

Jose Suarez-Zamora, 23, Twin Falls;

failure to purchase/invalid driver's

license; pleaded guilty; public

defender appointed; sentencing

hearing set for March 4; \$100

Cenobio Rios-Martinez, 23, Twin

Falls; dispensing alcohol to a

minor; pleaded guilty; public

defender appointed; sentencing

hearing set for March 4; \$100

for March 4; \$100 bond.

Rosendo Garcia-Villa, 25, Twin Falls;

Jason T. Stanger, 35, Twin Falls;

David J. Grigsby, 50, Twin Falls;

on own recognizance.

nizance.

bond.

Minidoka County Sheriff's report of the incident.

According to the report, at the scene after the colli-Onishi lost control of the sion, according to the report. vehicle and slid off the right shoulder of the road and down an embankment, hitting the berm of a ditch, which caused the car to roll over on its roof.

The report said Perez did not stop and check to see if anyone in Onishi's car was injured, did not remain on the scene and did not contact law enforcement. By the time emergency personnel arrived on the scene she had fled.

Onishi and her passenger, Sheryian Onishi, 11, of Rupert, both had to be extricated from the vehicle. The report said both received possible injuries but neither was transported to the hospi-

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of Paul, according to the tal. Both were wearing their seat belts. Perez' license plate was left

The estimated cost of the

damage caused to Perez' vehicle was \$2,000 and the estimated damage to Onishi's vehicle was \$20,000.

The report said Perez turned herself in to police at 9 a.m. Monday and was issued two citations, one for leaving the scene of a damage accident and one for inattentive driving.

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A DIGITAL UPGRADE



Wendell Police Chief Kirtus Gaston communicates with other patrol officers on the new digital radio system the department received through a nearly \$13,000 grant through the federal Department of Homeland Security.

Wendell Police Department receives equipment grant

By Blair Koch **Times-News correspondent**

WENDELL — Bigger guns and faster cars are nice, but a police force runs on the strength of its ability to communicate.

"Without communication you're dead in the water ... and our new radios help us communicate," said Wendell Police Chief Kirtus Gaston.

The department was recently awarded a \$12,760 grant from the State of Idaho Military Division of the United States Department of Homeland Security for the purchase of new digital radio equipment. The new radios replaced the old system which included units up to 12 years old.

Gaston said the new radios

"Without communication you're dead in the water ..."

- Kirtus Gaston, Wendell police chief

about two weeks ago; he submitted the grant application about three months ago.

"These are definitely the most important tool in law enforcement. They are the most widely used tool," Gaston said. "The others were just old and out of date."

The department can now be contacted directly through the digital system by other departments and agencies.

"They seem to be a lot nicer. From what I can gather the reception is better," said Administrative Assistant

Carrie Bellem.

four police vehicles - offering better reception but they bring the system into P25 compatibility.

According to Department of Homeland Security SAFECOM Web site, www.safecomprogram.gov: "Project 25 (P25) is focused on developing standards that allow radios and other components to interoperate regardless of manufacturerenabling emergency responders to exchange critical communications.

"The goal of P25 is to specify formal standards for inter-Not only are the radios — faces between the various were completely installed in each of the city's components of a land mobile

radio system commonly used by emergency responders in portable handheld and mobile vehicle-mounted devices."

Without the grant the Wendell Police Department would not have been able to afford the needed upgrade. With a modest annual budget of just \$430,000, an extra \$10,000 is hard to come by.

"This is great for the community because we are able to use federal dollars in lieu of local tax dollars," Gaston said. "(With) these grants we are able save on property tax assessments but still get equipment that assists this community and helps us do the best job we can for Wendell."

Blair Koch may be reached at 208-316-2607.

Hagerman hosts free presentation on the West

Remembering the West as It Changes will be pre-sented by Diane Josephy Peavey at the monthly Hagerman Valley Historical Society program held at 7 p.m. March 10 at the National Park Service at 221 N. State St., Hagerman. This program is funded in part by the Idaho Humanities Council.

The public is invited to the free presentation. Refreshments will be served. Those attending will also have a chance to check out displays at the National Park Service build-

Diane Peavey and her husband, John, are owners/operators of the Flat Top Sheep Ranch northeast of Carey.

She writes stories about life on the ranch and changing landscapes of the West, and addresses conflicts between ranching and resource preservation. Her book, "Bitterbrush Country: Living on the Edge of the Land" is a mosaic of her essavs.

Peavey was born in New York and is the daughter of Albin Josephy, a writer who focused his writings on the American West and the American Indians. The Peaveys were instrumental in starting the Wood River Valley's Trailing of the Sheep Festival, held each October. The festival was started in 1997.

Information: Milo Packer, program chairman, 837-

COMMUNITY NEWS

CSI offers course on change

The College of Southern Idaho North Side Center is offering the course, Embracing Change from 9 a.m. to noon Saturday, at the North Side Center, 202 14th Ave. E., Gooding. The course fee is \$25.

Students will learn how to turn their irrational beliefs about change into affirmations that allow themselves to go through life's transitions with grace and ease. Instructor is Jodie Robb.

Information: 934-8678.

First Friday Dinner set for this week

The Gooding Basque Association will hold a First Friday Dinner from 6 to 8 p.m. Friday at the Gooding Basque Center at 285 Euskadi Lane — located at the intersection of U.S. Highway 26 and Idaho Highway 46, behind Family

Dollar in Gooding. The dinner is open to the public. Cost is \$14 for adults, \$12 for seniors. Menu includes lamb chops, fish, Basque rice, Basque bread, homemade clam chowder, salad and various desserts. Information: Julie, 308-5051.

Gooding bridge results announced for Feb. 27

Gooding Duplicate Bridge released its results for Feb.

A: 1. Section Thompson and Edna Pierson, 2. Don and Lorna Bard, 3. Henry Robinson and Mary Kienlen, 4. Mary Steele and Kathy Rooney.

Section B: 1. Don and Lorna Bard, 2. Gus and Lucy Gustafson.

Duplicate bridge is played at 1 p.m. Fridays at the Gooding Senior Center, 308 Senior Ave. For partnership information or directions: Kathy Rooney, 934-9732.

CSI offers egg decorating class

Decorating eggs takes on a whole new meaning in Ukrainian Eggs, a new class offered by the College of Southern Idaho North Side Center.

The class will meet from 7 to 9 p.m. Thursdays, March 26 and April 2, at the North Side Center, 202 14th Ave. E., Gooding. The fee is \$25, plus a \$10 supply fee paid to the instructor at the first class.

Participants will learn the delicate art of using wax and dve to create beautiful, oneof-a-kind decorations. Instructor is Wanda Keegan. Registration deadline is

March 9. Information: 934-8678.

Hagerman Spring Fling on tap for April at Billingsley park

The Hagerman Spring Fling will be held on April 17 at Billingsley Creek State Park in Hagerman.

The event will consist of live music, hors d'oeuvres, a complete bar, memory photos, and more. All funds raised will benefit a scholarship for the Youth Citizen of the Year. This award is open to any college-bound student from Gooding County.

Any business or individual interested in sponsoring a table at this event with donation of \$100 or more in encouraged to contact: Kris, 837-6613; Tina, 837-6631; Jasmine, 837-4466; or Angie, 280-0308.

- Staff reports

BIRDS OF A FEATHER

Colorful duo a hit in Gooding

By Mary Hanson

Times-News correspondent

GOODING — Like those of many rural communities, two of Gooding's most colorful characters spend their time hanging out in a hardware store.

Taz and Sammy, 14-year-old macaws, call the southwest corner of the G&H Ace Hardware store home. Of course, it wasn't supposed to be this way. "The plan was to sell them since people had asked for par-

rots," store owner Julie Loder said. "But then no one was interested in buying them." The back of the store used to house a variety of birds, fish and pet supplies, Loder said. But the parrot fledglings never

While the birds have lived most of their lives in the store,

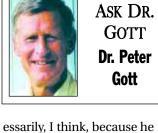
See **PARROTS**, Main 6



Red, scaly skin could point to serious case of Sezary syndrome

DEAR DR. GOTT: You have written about itchy skin several times in the past, and, on occasion, indicated that it might be due to serious condition. Invariably, I get excited, thinking, "Oh, yes, he's finally going to talk about mycosis fungoides/Sezary syndrome!" Each time, however, is a let down. Let me share my experience.

My father suffered unnec-



was misdiagnosed for several

years with psoriasis when it

GOTT Dr. Peter Gott

ASK DR. and Sezary syndrome are two forms of cutaneous Tcell lymphomas (cancer).

I believe my father died because a surgeon operated on his back without realizing how fragile his skin was from the Sezary syndrome. I think that a lack of information created a situation that could have been handled

was actually Sezary syn-

drome. Mycosis fungoides

differently, and perhaps my father would still be here. I am sure that there are

actual cases of psoriasis, but I would hope that if there are patients with red, scaly, itchy skin that fails to respond to treatment, they would at least investigate these lifethreatening diseases.

DEAR READER: Mycosis fungoides in a type of lymphocyte cancer (lymphoma)

that affects the skin. Lymphocytes are infectionfighting white blood cells. Tcell lymphocytes are specialized versions that help the body's immune system. This is a relatively rare type of cancer, with only about 1,000 new cases diagnosed per year in the United States. It is more common in African-Americans than Caucasians and in men than

women. It usually presents at around age 50 but is occasionally seen in children and adolescents. The cause is unknown. Mycosis fungoides ordi-

narily develops slowly over many years. In fact, because of nonspecific laboratory testing of early lesions, it is often misdiagnosed as a

See GOTT, Main 6

Taking flight Gooding students launch hot air balloons

Eighth-grade students in Qualls' Downey Earth Science class at Gooding Middle School completed their hot air balloon projects recently with the launching of the balloons.

The project took approximately seven class periods to reach launch day. Using only tissue paper, pattern, glue and one small computer wire to tie the bottom, the students worked in pairs to design and build their fourto five-foot tall balloons.

They completed a lab report stating the problem and hypothesis and analyzed the results following the launch. The primary concept that the students are studying during the project is convection.

Prior to launch day, Qualls could be seen each morning anxiously studying weather conditions, waiting for the most opportune day. Most importantly he looked for dry, cool conditions with no wind. On the day of the launch, there was a slight breeze that hindered the performance of the balloons, but



Gooding Middle School students Tony LaBott, left, and Cheeto Walgamott, right, are pictured holding their completed hot air balloon projects.

after postponing for several days, Qualls decided that this might be as good as he would get.

Following a decision to launch, the teachers of the sixth and seventh grades were invited to bring their

students to join the eighth grade in watching the activi-

In addition to a grade for the total project, students were rewarded with 10 extra points if their balloon had one of the top five flight times or was judged one of the top five designs. Typically a time of around three minutes wins the competition, however, this year Dakota Milburn and Lucas Kerner paired up for the top flight time of one

Buhl book talk schedule adjusted

The Buhl Public Library has make changes to its winter/spring book talk schedule because of some conflicts with borrowed book availability.

Cindy Bjorneberg's program on Timothy Egan's "The Worst Hard Time" has been changed to 7 to 9 p.m. on March 26. This non-fiction book examines the story of the environmental disaster that created the Dust Bowl in the 1930s and its impact on stricken communities during the darkest years of the Great Depression. Bjorneberg brings her own agricultural background and insights along with Egan's to the discussion.

Carole Carlson Garrison will explore "Snow Falling on Cedars" by David Guterson from 7 to 9 p.m. April 14. The haunting novel explores memories and murder on San Piedro Island in the north

Puget Sound, a love affair between a white boy and a Japanese girl, and an entire Japanese community sent into exile during World War II while neighbors watched.

Garrison will also lead the discussion on April 16, when the novel's corresponding film is shown at the library from 6:30 to 9 p.m. Discussion will center on the difference between the film and the

On May 14 Cynthia Toppen will lead a discussion on "Harry Potter and the Order of the Phoenix", the fifth book in the series by J.K. Rowling. Harry is now entering his fifth year at school and there are new teachers, new problems, new tests but the same old enemy growing stronger as the magical government and magical leaders turn a blind eye and deaf ear to what is happening.

Parrots

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they still have their secrets.

"... We think Taz is male and Sammy is female," Loder said. "... We are hoping they are mates and will raise a family.'

Loder said 14 is young for macaws, who have been known live past their 100th birthday while in captivity.

Both Loder and her son, Devin, say that area children love to visit the birds, adding that Taz and Sammy seem to have learned that loud noises

screech at them.

"After (store) hours things are different," Devin Loder said. "Mother takes each parrot around the store and shows them all the shelves and they make noises that sound like they're saying, 'Oh, that's new' and so on."

While the feathered duo seems to enjoy its sojourn through the aisles, the birds have definitely set up shop in

their corner of the store. "If something scares them

scare kids, and as such don't they will climb up on to their day from that little monkey." perch to sit very close together," Julie Loder said. "But usually they love to visit with the children and the customers."

Julie Loder said she's always loved animals and fondly recalled a family pet from her childhood.

"Our family even had a spider monkey for awhile. It wore a diaper and eventually we gave it to the Boise zoo," she said. "There are grown people my age in Gooding who have a few scars to this

As for her current pets, Julie Loder said she has plans to bring the birds home so they won't get bored with their surroundings at the store, adding that a screened porch is in the works. Still, Taz and Sammy won't be exempt from showing up for work days along with the rest of the family.

"We will still bring them to work often," Julie Loder said. "Our customers would miss

Gooding Spring Fling on the horizon

The Gooding County Hospital Foundation annual Spring Fling will be held March 28 at the Gooding Country Club. A no-host bar begins at 6:30 p.m. with dinner to follow at 7 p.m.

Gooding High School students, under the guidance of Cora Caldwell, will help serve dinner. Jan Mittleider of Twin Falls will be the featured speaker. She will share her secrets of aging well. Door prizes will be provid-

Tickets are \$50 and are available from foundation board members or at the hospital reception desk. Seating is limited, so everyone is urged to purchase tickets early.

The foundation sponsors several events throughout the year to raise money for medical scholarships and to enhance hospital services. Upcoming events include a summer golf tournament, the Tough Enough to Wear Pink event at the Gooding County Fair and Rodeo in August, and the Festival of Trees in December. Foundation members also assist the hospital with the health fair held every spring.

"With the promise of a new hospital on the horizon, these events take on an added meaning. We thank everyone for making them a success in the past and look forward to seeing everyone again this year," Spring Fling chairman Susan Faulkner

Information: Faulkner, 934-5391.

M-C Educators honor Petersen

At the February meeting of the Mini-Cassia Retired Educators, a tribute was given by Ko Tateoka in memory of Claire Petersen, a retired teacher who recently passed away.

Speakers for the meeting were from the Idaho Youth Ranch who spoke about the recent changes to the program at the Rupert facility.

Jason Scrivner, clinician at the Youth Ranch, mainly works with counseling the youth and their families. Jim Stockberger, the new director, was in a similar program in Wyoming and brings his expertise to Idaho's new program which is based on the family model. They rely on income from the Youth Ranch Stores and donors.

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benign ailment. The average time span between onset of symptoms and proper diag-

nosis is about six years. In its early stages, the skin may become itchy and develop dry, dark patches, similar to those associated with psoriasis or eczema. As the disease progresses, tumors may develop. As more of the skin becomes affected, intense itching, scaling, thickening of the skin and more can develop. Skin infections can become more frequent due to cuts and tears as a result of scratching.

Mycosis fungoides is a chronic condition that, unless caught very early, is often fatal. Depending on the stage of disease at diagnosis, life expectancy can

range from normal (for early cases) to as little as one year (for advanced cases). It is important to be under the care of an oncologist once diagnosed. For those who have been diagnosed with conditions such as eczema or psoriasis that fail to respond to appropriate medications, ask about further testing to determine whether there is, in fact, a different cause. Thank you for writing to

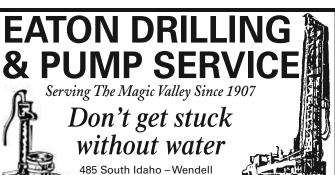
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Peter Gott is a retired physician and the author of the book "Dr. Gott's No Flour,

No Sugar Diet," available at most chain and independent bookstores, and the recently published "Dr. Gott's No Flour, No Sugar Cookbook."

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Dorothy Ann House

PAUL — Dorothy Ann House, an 80-year-old resident of Paul, passed away peacefully in her home Thursday, Feb. 26, 2009.

Dorothy was born May 25, 1928, in Wendell, and raised by her parents, Elva Milton Josephine and Irene

(Hurrelle) Black. She graduated from Carey High School in 1946, and then continued her education at



Albion Normal School and Idaho State College in Pocatello, receiving her teaching certificate in 1948. She received a bachelor's degree in education in 1967 from Idaho State University.

Dorothy was a lifelong educator. She started teaching in Twin Falls, taught at a one-room country school in Peetz, Colo., and then completed her career with 35 years of teaching more than 1.000 students at Paul Elementary with emphasis in reading and bilingual skills. Dorothy married Barney House in 1949 in Elko, Nev. After they were married, they moved to Sterling, Colo. They returned to Idaho to develop a homestead northwest of Paul. They had four sons, James, William, Thomas and George. Dorothy and Barney later divorced.

Dorothy was a devoted Christian, having been baptized in the First Christian Church of Pocatello in 1947. While living in Colorado, she attended the Presbyterian Church and has been a member of the Paul United Methodist Church since

1959. She served in many church leadership roles which included a certified lay speaker, board member, conference delegate, church librarian, Scout mother, county fair coordinator, United Methodist Women in Missions, and a faithful member.

She was active in various professional and civic organizations and enjoyed her association with Delta Kappa Gamma, Retired Teachers, Toast Masters and Master Gardeners. She loved reading, genealogy, rock collecting and gardening. She traveled extensively throughout the Western United States and had the opportunity to visit the Holy Land in Israel. However, the most important role was that of a mother and teacher. She was passionate about their future success.

Dorothy is survived by two sons, James "Jim" B. House of Richland, Wash., and William "Bill" E. House of Mountain Home; one granddaughter, Samantha (Andersen) Gazley of Rupert; and one greatgrandson, Kayden. She was preceded in death by her parents; two sons, Thomas "Tom" H. House and George A. House; her former husband, Barney; a sister, Alice; and many close friends from the community.

A memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. Friday, March 6, at the Rupert United Methodist Church, 605 H St., with the Rev. James DeVall officiating.

A viewing for family and friends will be held from 6 until 8 p.m. Thursday, March 5, at the Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St. in Burley.

DEATH NOTICES

Bruno F. Zampedri

RUPERT — Bruno Floyd Zampedri, 72, of Rupert, died Thursday, Feb. 26, 2009, at his

A funeral Mass will be held at 10 a.m. Friday, March 6, at St. Nicholas Catholic Church in Rupert.

Arrangements will be announced by Hansen Mortuary in Rupert.

Fred Stremler

HAZELTON — Fred Stremler, 102, of Hazelton, died Sunday, March 1, 2009, at his home.

announced by Hove-Robertson Funeral Chapel in

Donna Petterson

Donna Petterson, 80, of Twin Falls, died Sunday, March 1, 2009, at her home. Arrangements will be

announced by Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home in Twin

Alfred Hall

HANSEN — Alfred Hall, 84, of Hansen, died Saturday, Feb. 28, 2009, at a care facility in Twin Falls.

Arrangements will be announced by Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home in Twin

Joanna Pearson

MONTELLO, Nev. — Joanna Pearson, 66, of Montello, Nev., died Monday, March 2, 2009, at St. Luke's Magic Valley Medical Center on Twin Falls.

Arrangements will be

announced by Serenity Funeral Chapel in Twin Falls.

Lennie Eisenhauer

Lennie Eisenhauer, 79, of Filer, died Monday, March 2, 2009, at her home.

Arrangements will be announced by Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home in Twin

Alice Baugh

BURLEY — Alice Baugh, 94, of Burley, died March 1, 2009, in Boise.

Arrangements will be Arrangements will be announced by Hansen-Payne Mortuary.

Roger Rigdon

WENDELL — Roger Rigdon, 65, of Wendell, died Saturday, Feb. 28, 2009, at his home.

Arrangements will be announced by Demaray Funeral Service, Wendell Chapel.

James Brothers

WENDELL — Brothers, 66, of Wendell, died Monday, March 2, 2009, at Magic Valley Manor Assisted Living in Wendell.

Arrangements are under the direction of Demaray Funeral Service, Wendell Chapel.

Irene Blick

Buhl - Irene Blick, 63, of Buhl, died Sunday, March 1, 2009, at St. Luke's Magic Valley Medical Center.

Arrangements will be announced by White Mortuary in Twin Falls.

Idaho bill to consolidate election days

By Sarah D. Wire **Associated Press writer**

BOISE — Republican lawmakers want to consolidate most of Idaho's elections on just two days a year. The current system allows for some 450 elections on numerous

The House State Affairs Committee will hear comments on the bill Tuesday. It's the 15th attempt at similar reform since 2000.

The bill would require most local elections to be conducted in March and November of each year. School districts would also have two optional dates for tax levy elections.

more people to vote in local elections because it will be easier to keep track of when they are.

He said the current system is confusing.

Currently those who live in two districts -different water and fire districts for example— have to travel to multiple locations to vote.

Lake said the bill would allow Idahoans to vote in all elections from one location. County clerks would be responsible for organizing elections and sending out voter guides.

Currently, the government entity scheduling the election pays the cost. If the bill pass-The bill's sponsor, Rep. es, Lake said counties will pay Dennis Lake, R-Blackfoot, the cost from an election says clustering elections on fund that will receive money

and the state.

School districts would only have to pay for elections if they decided to schedule them on two alternative dates - one each in March and August.

Officials in some school districts oppose the bill, saying it makes a local decision at a state level.

American Falls Super-intendent Ron Bolinger told The Associated Press that districts hold elections on days that work best locally and he fears the new limits would be too restrictive.

Bolinger's district recently held a \$1.2 million tax levy election that won approval with 551 votes. Power County, where the district is located, had 76 percent of its 3,804

the same day would prompt from cities, taxing districts registered voters turn out for the November election.

Still, Bolinger said voter turnout depends on the sensitivity of the issue, not the

"Schools are choosing oddball dates," Lake said. "They choose those dates when they think they can motivate a few people who are for their cause to vote."

Many Idaho school districts depend on local taxes to function. More than 10 percent of the American Falls budget comes from a local tax, and Bolinger said putting limits on when the districts can hold elections could cause problems.

'Ultimately it's going to make the whole business of operating a school district very difficult," Bolinger said.

Victim-witnesses waive right to attend Grace trial

By Len Iwanski **Associated Press writer**

HELENA, Mont. Government witnesses who are victims of asbestos exposure have waived their right to observe the W.R. Grace & Co. environmental crimes trial in Missoula.

On Friday, the 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals instructed U.S. District Judge Donald Molloy to hold further proceedings to determine whether the victims' testimony would be affected by observing the

Molloy then signed an order suspending the proceedings and said federal prosecutors must call each of the 26 remaining victimwitnesses who were previously barred from attending. Molloy said the hearing would be closed to the public and jurors so that he could make "particularized findings" about each witness as required by the appellate court.

Prosecutors made contact with the 26 remaining witnesses over the weekend, and on Sunday notified Molloy that none of them would exercise their rights under the Crime Victims' Rights Act.

"Accordingly, there is no

"Counsel for the Parkers has indicated the potential of further delays in the trial occasioned by additional motions and briefing before this court and the Court of Appeals is a significant factor in his clients' decision."

The federal government in a weekend ruling

need for a hearing on Monday morning to make particularized findings with respect to any of the government's witnesses," the government said in a written notice to the District Court.

Assistant U.S. Attorney Kris McLean addressed the court on that point Monday, with the jury absent. Molloy said the trial would resume Tuesday at 8:30 a.m.

After the cross-examination of government witness Paul Peronard is completed, the government intends to call two Libby asbestos victims, Melvin and Lerah Parker, whose lawyer successfully appealed Molloy's Feb. 13 ruling barring witnesses who are asbestos exposure victims from observing the trial.

"Counsel for the Parkers has indicated the potential of further delays in the trial occasioned by additional motions and briefing before this court and the Court of Appeals is a significant factor in his clients' decision" to waive their rights, the federal government said in a weekend court filing. Grace and five former

company officials are charged with a federal conspiracy involving Clean Air Act violations and obstruction of justice. The charges relate to whether the company and its top employees knew they were endangering the community of Libby by mining asbestos-laced vermiculite and whether they did so in violation of federal law.

Lawyers for Libby residents contend the contamination has killed some 225 people and sickened about 2,000 in the area.

Lawmaker: Idaho should conform to federal tax laws

BOISE (AP) — An Idaho senator says the state has several options to make up for \$14.1 million in state tax revenue that could be lost in 2010 due to the economic stimulus package.

State revenue would be reduced if lawmakers match Idaho tax code to changes in the Internal Revenue Service rules, as is custom.

Sen. Brent Hill told The Associated Press Monday the consequences of not conforming Idaho code to the federal changes would cause headaches for businesses forced to keep two sets of books.

The Rexburg Republican told lawmakers it may be hard to agree on a way to replace lost state funds, but recommended a tax increase of a tenth of a percent — or even delaying the \$15 million expansion of the grocery tax credit system.

Some lawmakers argue Hill's proposal to boost the state tax rate is unfair, because all taxpayers would bear the brunt, when only some Idahoans actually get the federal tax breaks.

Newspaper's cold case series yields a few new leads

LEWISTON (AP) — Law disappearance of Gayla enforcement officials in northern Idaho, Washington and Oregon say a Lewiston Tribune's series on unsolved homicides has led to new tips.

The "Awaiting Justice" series over the last six months profiled 19 cases dating back decades, prompting some agencies to take another look at unsolved cases.

"We've also had leads where people would come up, and give us information that at least they felt might be pertinent at the time they just never said anything" previously, Latah County Sheriff's Sgt. Earl Aston said.

Aston would not discuss the tips, which involved the death of Hazel Martin of Princeton in 1996 and the Schaper of rural Latah County in 1979.

In neighboring Asotin County, Wash., Randy Martz, a retired police officer from Pullman, Wash., comes twice a week as a volunteer to help give a fresh take on the disappearance of 12year-old Christina White in April 1979.

"He's been able to go through the file that we have and look at new information and new ideas that we didn't have in the past," Asotin County sheriff's Detective Jackie Nichols said.

Nichols and Martz have started interviewing people in hopes of finding clues that might have been overlooked earlier. They also hope DNA testing not available in 1979 might help solve the case.

"The two of them have been doing a great job on it," Sheriff Ken Bancroft said. "They're still hitting a wall, but at least they're looking."

The Nez Perce County with police in Portland, Ore., to follow up on a license plate found in northeast Oregon that might be connected to a man whose remains were found in 1982 in the Snake River south of Lewiston.

"I don't know if that's going to be anything," said Sgt. John Hilderbrand. He said a recent review of evi-

dence led police to examine whether the license plate could help identify the man, who was shot twice.

Lewiston Police Capt. Roger Lanier said his agency Sheriff's Office is working used a cadaver dog last month in January to search a property for a woman who disappeared in 1976.

Authorities said some tips are repeats of information offered given at the time of the homicides or disappearances and some appear to be intended merely to cause problems for other individuals, but some may prove helpful.

SERVICES

Beulah Mae Harden of Twin Falls, memorial service at 10 a.m. today at Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Road in Twin

Henry "Hank" Albert Todd of Buhl, funeral at 11 a.m. today at First Baptist Church, 400 Ninth Ave. N. in Buhl (Farmer Funeral Chapel in

Lynn "Dee" Delayne **Pehrson** of Heyburn, funeral at 1 p.m. today at the Paul LDS 3rd and 4th Ward Chapel, 500 W. 300 S. in Heyburn; visitation one hour before the service today at

church the (Hansen Mortuary in Rupert.

Evalona Mae Denney of Murtaugh, cryptside service at 2 p.m. today at Sunset Memorial Park in Twin Falls (White Mortuary in Twin Falls).

Raymond G. Clark of Jerome, funeral at 2 p.m. today at Hove-Robertson Funeral Chapel in Jerome.

Eugene D. Wadsworth of Oakley, funeral at 3:30 p.m. today at the Oakley LDS Stake Center, 355 N. Center Ave.; visitation from 2 to 3:15 p.m. today at the church

(Rasmussen Funeral Home in Burley).

Elva Taylor Gillette of Burley, funeral at 11 a.m. Wednesday at the Burley 3rd and 7th Ward Chapel, 2200 Oakley Ave.; visitation from 6 to 8 p.m. today at Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St. in Burley, and from 10 to 10:45 a.m. Wednesday at the church.

Justin Clark Mills of Twin Falls, 2 p.m. Thursday at For obituary rates and information, call 735-3266 Monday

through Saturday. Deadline is 3 p.m. for next-day publication. The

e-mail address for obituaries is obits@magicvalley.com. Death

notices are a free service and can be placed until 4 p.m. daily.

White Mortuary in Twin Falls; visitation from 4 to 8 p.m. at the mortuary.

Marilyn Adelaide Bengtson Sederlund of Frederic, Wis., and formerly of Shoshone, celebration of life at the Pilgrim Lutheran Church in Frederic, Wis.,,

Ray Lytle of Twin Falls, funeral at 2 p.m. Wednesday at White Mortuary in Twin Falls; visitation from 5 to 7 p.m. today at the mortuary.

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QUOTABLE

"It's the first of March, which, as you know, is the month that we say comes in like a lion and out like a lamb. It's pretty clear that the lions are getting ready to roar."

 New York City Mayor Michael Bloomberg on a winter storm that is expected to dump eight to 13 inches of snow on the city.

EDITORIAL

Labrador's big idea: Let folks tax themselves

he second-term Eagle Republican wants to give counties the power to ask voters by a simple majority to increase vehicle registration fees.

Call it "local-option

Our view:

We know

somebody

has to pay

roads, so get

to fix our

out of the

way and let

us taxpayers

do it our-

selves.

Call it "local-option tax" lite, if you will, but it would provide local governments with a real, usable tool to deal with high-priority transportation infrastructure projects.

Still, it's not a perfect idea for reasons that must be clear to Labrador: If his home county, Ada, imposes a significant registration fee increase, what's to prevent motorists from signing up their vehicles — say, at the home of a relative — in neighboring Canyon County, where fees might be lower?

Yet we're inclined to support Labrador's legislation because it

would implement no-strings-attached, 44-county local-option taxation authority in Idaho for the first time.

A majority of Labrador's Republican colleagues in the House oppose the local-option sales tax, one the reasons it's still used sparingly in Idaho despite the fact that it's been a front-burner issue since 1972.

Call them the sunshine soldiers of local control: House Republicans beat their breasts and speak passionately about the need to get government — state and federal — off the backs of local taxpayers. But when it comes time to actually give folks the authority to raise their own taxes — or not — by popular vote, most members of the House GOP caucus simply don't trust us.

Labrador's local-option registration fee isn't on the scale of a true local-option sales tax — it would raise far less money — but it could work well for one-time, short-term, transportation needs.

Would there be some "leakage" — motorists registering their rigs elsewhere? No doubt.

But isn't that better than watching farm-to-market roads being pounded to dust because there's no money to fix them?

It's time to break the chokehold of the local-option tax refuseniks in the Idaho Legislature. Labrador's bill is a good way to start.

Times-News

Brad Hurd publisher Steve Crump Opinion editor

The members of the editorial board and writers of editorials are Brad Hurd, James G. Wright, Steve Crump, Bill Bitzenburg and Ruth S. Pierce.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Organization raises money for overseas schools

Pennies for Peace is an organization that raises money for schools to be built for children in Pakistan and Afghanistan and helps pay for these children's school supplies. Greg Mortenson founded Pennies For Peace in 1993 after he came back to the United States from a trip to Pakistan to hike up a mountain. He learned that these children were not being educated, so he wanted to help. His idea has turned into this organization Pennies for Peace.

The Kimberly Middle School eighth-grade class has decided to help raise money for the children in Pakistan and Afghanistan so they can be educated. We each are participating in a project to raise money or awareness for the children of these countries. Each group has its own idea to

raise money or awareness such as penny jars placed at local businesses, baked food sales, or posters put in the hallway.

Our goal is to raise enough money to have an impact on these children's lives. If we raise \$20, we can buy one student's school supplies for the whole year; \$300 can pay for one advanced scholarship for a student, and \$600 pays for one teacher's annual salary. We would like to raise around \$500 for the kids in Pakistan and Afghanistan. If you would like to help us promote this cause, bring your donations to Kimberly Middle School.

CHASE NEBEKER JOSIAH PAINE Kimberly

(Editor's note: Chase Nebeker and Josiah Paine are eighth-grade students at Kimberly Middle School. The letter was sent in by their teacher, Denise Mumm.)

I ponied up for Sheryl Crow?

OS ANGELES — Talk about being teed off.
The economy is croaking and bankers are still partying at a golf tournament here on our dime.



Maureen Dowd

It's a good argument for nationalization, or better yet, internationalization.
Outsource the jobs of these perfidious, oblivious bank executives to Bangalore;
Bollywood bashes have to cost less than Hollywood ones.

Northern Trust of Chicago, which got \$1.5 billion in bailout money and then laid off 450 workers, flew hundreds of clients and employees to Los Angeles last month and treated them to four days of posh hotel rooms, salmon and filet mignon dinners, music concerts, a PGA golf tournament at the Riviera Country Club with Mercedes shuttle rides and Tiffany swag bags.

Northern No Trust had a lavish dinner at the Ritz Carlton with a concert by Chicago (at a \$100,000 fee); rented a private hangar at the Santa Monica Airport for another big dinner with a gig by Earth, Wind & Fire, and closed down the House of Blues on Sunset Strip (at a cost of \$50,000) for a dinner and serenade by Sheryl Crow.

In the ignoble tradition of rockers who sing for huge sums to sketchy people when we're not looking, Crow — in her stint as a federal employee — warbled these lyrics to the oblivious revelers:

"Slow down, you're gonna crash,

Baby, you're a-screaming it's a blast, blast, blast

Look out babe, you've got your blinders on ...



But there's a new cat in town

He's got high payin' friends Thinks he's gonna change history."

Northern Untrustworthy even offered junketeers the chance to attend a seminar on the credit crunch where they could no doubt learn that the U.S. government is just the latest way to finance your deals and keep your office swathed in \$87,000 area rugs.

In what is now an established idiotic ritual of rationalization, the bank put out a letter noting that it "did not seek the government's investment" even though it took it, and that it had raised \$3 million for the Los Angeles Junior Chamber of Commerce Charity Foundation and other nonprofits. They riposted that they have a contract to do it every year for five years; but this isn't every year.

The bank cloaks itself in a philanthropic glow while wasting our money, acting like the American Cancer Society when in fact it's a cancer on American society.

It asserted that it earned an operating net income of \$641 million last year and acted as though it did Americans a favor by taking federal cash.

I would ask Northern No Trust: If you're totally solvent, why are you taking my tax dollars? If you're not totally solvent, why are you giving my tax dollars to Sheryl Crow?

Coming in a moment when skeptical and angry Americans watched AIG, Citigroup, General Motors and Chrysler — firms that had already been given a federal steroid injection — get back in line for more billions, the golf scandal was just one more sign that the bailed-out rich are different from you and me: Their appetites are unquenchable and their culture is uneducable.

President Barack Obama served them notice last week in his congressional address, saying: "This time, CEOs won't be able to use taxpayer money to pad their paychecks or buy fancy drapes or disappear on a private jet. Those days are over."

But will they notice?
John "Antique Commode"
Thain had to be ordered by a
judge to tell New York
Attorney General Andrew
Cuomo's investigators which
Merrill Lynch employees got
those \$3.6 billion in bonuses
that Thain illicitly shoved
through as his firm was failing and being taken over by
Bank of America with the

help of a \$45 billion bailout. Kenneth Lewis, the Bank of America CEO, made the absurd assertion to Congress that his bank had "no authority" to stop the bonuses, even though he knew about them beforehand.

"They find out they're \$7 billion off on the estimate of losses for the fourth quarter and they never think maybe we should go back and adjust these bonuses?" Cuomo told me, as Thain was finally responding to investigators on Tuesday at the New York attorney general's office. "He refused to answer questions on the basis that 'the Bank of America didn't want me to.' You can take the Fifth Amendment or you can answer questions. But there's no Bank of America privilege. The Bank of America doesn't substitute for the Constitution. And who's the Bank of America, by the

He gets incensed about how ingrained, indoctrinated and insensitive the ex-masters of the universe are. "They think of themselves as kings and queens," he said. And they're not ready to abdicate.

Maureen Dowd is a columnist for The New York Times. Write to her at mdowd@nytimes.com.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Times-News backs 'radical gay agenda'

I was surprised to see the Monday editorial parroting the radical gay agenda. As for gays being in fear of losing their jobs because they are gay, that is ridiculous. I have worked alongside several homosexuals and lesbians over the last 40 years and had no problem because they worked hard and kept their mouths shut about their sexual orientation.

Any employer who has a gay that is making money for him isn't going to fire him or her for being homosexual. What employers don't want is an unproductive or disruptive employee that they can't fire because they know if the Idaho Human Rights Act (sponsored by a radical homosexual, Nicole LeFavour, D-Boise) is passed, then the "gay card" can be played making it next to impossible to fire them.

The statement that homosexuals are being treated unequally is not true in 99 percent of the cases. The few cases, such as religious organizations refusing to hire homosexuals or not being allowed to marry, is totally justified. Homosexuals are sexual deviants. Sexual deviancy is offensive to most of the population. If that is the lifestyle they chose, that is up to them. Just don't pass a law giving them favored status.

JOHN PITTS Twin Falls

Just be an American

Recently on TV, a man said that as he viewed "his people" in certain roles in films. how he cringed and was deeply affected by their performances because they portrayed "his people" in an anything but complimentary situation or demeanor. He referred to the famous portrayal of the little flippsy servant in "Gone With The Wind" and also the woman who played the maid. How much I agree with this man, as I cringe every day at the

way any ordinary American is portrayed when the situation is something beyond the dignity and integrity I expect from all people. In your newspaper of Feb.

19, there was reported a statement from our new attorney general who has asked his employees to "take advantage of Black History Month and begin a dialogue about race." It seems to me that quite a lot has been accomplished just recently in overcoming the racial hangups of the past. I find myself not looking at all at someone's skin but looking at their demeanor and their contributions to our society. No matter what their skin color, if they have made the right choices and use their abilities and talents wisely, then you know that they are honoring their status as good citizens of this or any country.

Some years ago, we were in Nigeria on an assignment for our church. It was at that time when O.J. Simpson was on trial for murder. Even with all that was being printed and reported about his situation, I think any grown man in Nigeria would have gladly changed places with him. You don't have to live outside of the United States for very long to be reminded of what true freedom and liberty really mean to you. Personally, I think that man who was unhappy with the stigmatism of "his people" in certain acting roles and also our esteemed attorney general would find that a lot of the racial problems would be solved by "their people" just being called Americans.

I don't call myself a
Scottish-American nor does
my husband call himself an
English-American. If you
don't want people to see you
differently, just be an
American. I can't think of
anything more wonderful.
And knowing that it was not
easy for him to get to
America, I am certainly
mindful of what my father
had to sacrifice so that I have
this great heritage.

By Bruce Tinsley

SUE CHILD Rupert

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THE LIGHTER SIDE OF POLITICS

By Garry Trudeau

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How about a stimulus for life?

¬ hanks to former New York Lt. Gov. Betsy McCaughey and her recent essay on Bloomberg.com entitled "Ruin Your Health with the Obama Stimulus Plan," we know of another problem with the just-passed stimulus bill, one that may threaten the lives of many Americans.

McCaughey discovered buried in the bill a new bureaucracy called the National Coordinator of **Health Information** Technology. Among other things, it means that a Washington official will "monitor treatments to make sure your doctor is doing what the federal government deems appropriate and cost effective." Some of that occurs now, but this would take it to a whole new level.

The idea comes straight from former HHS nominee Tom Daschle's 2008 book "Critical: What We Can Do About the Health-Care Crisis" in which he says that doctors are going to have to give up their autonomy and "learn to operate less like solo practitioners." Inevitably, this means the government will decide who gets life-saving treatment and who doesn't. It is survival of the fittest in practice. Thank you, and belated happy birthday, Charles Darwin.

In 1979, six years after Roe v. Wade, philosopher and theologian Dr. Francis Schaeffer and the about-tobe surgeon general of the United States, Dr. C. Everett Koop, wrote a book, "Whatever Happened to the Human Race?" In chapter three, "Death by Someone's Choice," the authors write, "Will a society which has assumed the right to kill infants in the womb because they are unwanted, imperfect, or merely inconvenient — have difficulty in assuming the right to kill other human beings, especially older adults who are judged unwanted, deemed imperfect physically or mentally, or considered a possible social nuisance?"

No one should be surprised at the coming embrace of euthanasia. After the Supreme Court deprived the unborn of their right to live by declaring them nonpersons, it was only a matter of time before other categories of human life deemed to be inconvenient or unwanted would also face extermination in order to benefit the government, the healthy and the wealthy, who prefer not to be disturbed in their pursuit of pleasure, personal peace and affluence.

Schaeffer and Koop predicted "the next candidates for arbitrary reclassification as nonpersons are the elderly." That 30-year-old prophecy, deemed hyperbole and alarmist by many at the time, now seems to be coming true. In 1993, Hillary Clinton, as chair of the Task Force on National Health Care Reform, pushed the bureaucratic-heavy Clinton Health Care Plan, quickly labeled "HillaryCare," which was long on government oversight, short on patient choice. A Democratic Congress defeated it a year later. Now we have the National Coordinator of **Health Information** Technology and a Democratic Congress and President Barack Obama appear ready to resume their assault on all but the fit and those who do not burden

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government with their need for treatment. "Medicare now pays for treatments deemed safe and effective," writes McCaughey. "The stimulus bill would change that and apply a cost-effectiveness standard set by the Federal Council."

CAL

THOMAS

I called Koop, who is now 92. He reminded me that in 1988 he had an ailment that left him a quadriplegic. Surgery restored his limbs, but "if I'd lived in England, I would have been nine years too old to have the surgery that saved my life and gave me another 21 years." Koop fears the United States is about to embrace English socialized medicine with government authorities deciding who lives and who dies. He says the idea of government second-guessing doctors sickens him.

Great inhumanities are usually ushered in at the extremes in order to make the public more accepting. Abortion on demand followed the 1973 Roe v. Wade case where Norma McCorvey, Jane Roe, "alleged" she had been raped, resulting in pregnancy. Technology allows people to abort a "defective" baby in the womb, "selectively reduce" implanted embryos to the desired number, or even abort a female when a male is wanted.

Euthanasia will not originate with your beloved grandmother or parents. It will start in a public hospital with a 100-year-old woman who has multiple health problems and "wants" to die so as not to "burden" anyone. Public opinion polls will determine that a majority favor letting — even helping — the old girl die.

Yes, there are times when a patient and his family may decide to forego treatment and allow death to occur, but that decision should not be made by a government official. Once that door is opened (as it was with abortion) there will be no closing it and dying will become a patriotic duty when the patient's balance sheet shows a deficit.

They'll probably have a clergyman available to bless the government's decision and make everyone feel better about it.

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Where war is waged by rape

erhaps we've heard so little about them because the crimes are so unspeakable, the evil so profound.

For years now, in the Democratic Republic of Congo, marauding bands of soldiers and militias have been waging a war of rape and destruction against women. This sustained campaign of mind-bending atrocities, mostly in the eastern part of the country, has been one of the strategic tools in a wider war that has continued, with varying degrees of intensity, since the 1990s. Millions have been killed.

Women and girls of all ages, from old women to very young children, have been gang-raped, and in many cases their sexual organs have been mutilated. The victims number in the hundreds of thousands. But the world, for the most part, has remained indifferent to their suffering.

"These women are raped in front of their husbands. in front of their children, in front of their parents, in front of their neighbors,' said Dr. Denis Mukwege, a gynecologist who runs a hospital in Bukavu that treats only the women who have sustained the most severe injuries.

In some cases, the rapists have violated their victims with loaded guns and pulled the triggers. Other women have had their organs deliberately destroyed by knives or other weapons. Sons have



BOB **HERBERT**

been forced at gunpoint to rape their mothers. Many women and girls have been abducted and sexually enslaved.

It is as if, in these particular instances, some window to what we think of as our common humanity had been closed. As *The New* York Times' Jeffrey Gettleman, on assignment in Congo, wrote last fall:

"Many of these rapes have been marked by a level of brutality that is shocking even by the twisted standards of a place riven by civil war and haunted by warlords and drug-crazed child soldiers."

Mukwege visited me at last week. He was accompanied by the playwright, Eve Ensler, who has been passionate in her efforts to bring attention and assistance to the women of Congo.

I asked Mukwege to explain how it was in the strategic interest of the various armed groups to rape and otherwise brutalize women. He described some of the ramifications of such atrocities and the ways in which they undermine the entire society in which the women live.

"Once they have raped these women in such a

public way," he said, 'sometimes maiming them, destroying their sexual organs - and with everybody watching — the women themselves are destroyed, or virtually destroyed. They are traumatized and humiliated on every level, physical and psychological. That's the first consequence.

"The second consequence is that the whole family and the entire neighborhood is traumatized by what they have seen. The ordinary sense of family and community is lost after a man has been forced to watch his wife being raped, or parents are forced to watch the rape of their daughters, or children see their mothers raped.

"Neighbors are witnesses to this. Many flee. Families are dislocated. Social relationships are lost. There is no more social network, village network. Not only the victims have been destroyed; the whole village is destroyed."

The devastating injuries treated by Mukwege at his hospital can all but stun the imagination. There is no need to detail them further here. AIDS and other sexually transmitted diseases are commonplace. Often the ability to bear children is destroyed. In many other cases, women end up giving birth to the children of their rapists.

"The hospital can take care of 3,600 women every year," said Mukwege. "That is our maximum capacity.

We can't take any more." He spoke of ambulance teams that would drive into villages and be besieged by rape victims desperately seeking treatment. "It is awful to see 300 women in need of help," he said, "and you have to take 10 because the ambulance can only

take 10.' Ensler spoke of her encounter with an 8-yearold girl during one of her trips to Congo. The girl's father had been killed in an attack, her mother was raped, and the girl herself was abducted. The child was raped by groups of soldiers over a two-week period and then abandoned.

The girl felt too ashamed to allow herself to be held, Ensler said, because her injuries had left her incontinent. After explaining how she persuaded the child to accept an embrace, to be hugged, Ensler said, "If we're living in a century when an 8-year-old girl is incontinent because that many soldiers have raped her, then something has gone terribly wrong.'

Despite the presence in the region of the largest U.N. peacekeeping mission in the world, no one has been able to stop the systematic rape of the Congolese women.

If these are not war crimes, crimes against humanity, then nothing is.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Cattle or wildlife?

This is the other half of my letter that was in the *Times-News* on Feb. 24 about the antiwildlife Republicans in Cassia County and the state.

It seems that the Republican-backed public land grazers are drawing a line in the sand and that is — it's cattle and sheep or wildlife. I don't know about anybody else but when I go to the mountains, it's to enjoy the wildlife, not to see nonnative cattle and sheep that could be raised in a feedlot.

Now to let you know I am not a Republican or Democrat but a wildlife person who is seeing what the real reason is why our big game and sage grouse are disappearing in our

Also there have been

more than 40 head of elk poached and left to rot in the South Hills, and the Fish and Game and a lot of

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AIG posts \$61.7B 4Q loss, bailout is restructured

By Ieva M. Augstums **Associated Press writer**

CHARLOTTE, N.C. American International Group Inc., once the world's largest insurer, said Monday it lost \$61.7 billion in the fourth quarter, the biggest quarterly loss in U.S. corporate history, amid continued financial market turmoil.

The results come as the U.S. government announced a restructuring of a bailout plan for the troubled insurer, extending \$30 billion in additional aid to the company.

lost \$22.95 per share in the last three months of 2008. It lost \$5.3 billion, or \$2.08 per share, in the same quarter a year ago.

\$23.8 billion, as the company had to reverse gains it recorded from investments in past quarters.

The latest results include \$7.2 billion in unrealized losses and credit valuation adjustments at AIG Financial Products, the source of credit-default swaps, and pretax losses of \$21.6 billion tied to

New York-based AIG said it the declining value of AIG's short of estimates. Analysts liquidity issues related to investment portfolio.

AIG's general insurance business swung to a loss on \$2.8 billion in net realized capital losses. General insur-Revenue fell to negative ance net premiums dropped 16.3 percent to \$9.2 billion, and net premiums earned fell 5.9 percent to nearly \$11 billion.

> Adjusted to exclude certain items, operating losses totaled \$37.9 billion, or \$14.17 per share, versus a loss of \$3.2 billion, or \$1.25 per share, last year.

The results fell drastically

surveyed by Thomson Reuters, on average, forecast a loss of 37 cents per share on revenue of \$24.82 billion. Analysts have been dropping coverage of AIG in recent weeks due to the uncertainty of AIG's future.

Its shares rose 6 cents to 48 cents in morning trading but are down from \$51.47 on Feb. 28, 2008 and have lost nearly all of their value since the market meltdown began in September.

"We have made meaningful progress in addressing AIG Financial Products and our securities lending activities and have announced several divestitures," AIG chairman and chief executive Edward Liddy said in a statement. "However, the economy and capital markets remain in turmoil and we are taking additional steps to preserve the value of our businesses and maximize the ultimate proceeds for the benefit of all stakeholders, including taxpay-

The government's new

financial assistance to AIG includes providing the troubled company another \$30 billion on an "as needed" basis.

In an interview on NBC's "Today" show Monday morning, Liddy, said: "We're going to be able to pay back the Federal Reserve. The new \$30 billion is a stand-by line. It's not necessarily something that we think we'll have to draw on right away."

The Federal Reserve said Monday it will also take stakes in two international

Police investigate use of stun gun on 12-year-old

By Jack Leonard and Richard Winton **Los Angeles Times**

ANGELES Hawthorne police have launched a misconduct investigation of an officer who used a 50,000-volt stun gun on a violent autistic 12year-old boy at one of the city's middle schools, authorities said.

Such use of electroshock weapons by police on young students is rare, but highprofile incidents have sparked fierce debate around the U.S. over when, if ever, Tasers should be used on children. At the same time, an increasing number of police departments are equipping school-based officers with them, according to the leading maker of the weapons.

Supporters of deploying Tasers in schools say they allow officers to safely detain unruly students without resorting to batons or other physical force. But critics argue that little research has been done on the medical effects of shocking children and that using Tasers on minors is inappropriate.

"This is a question of common sense. ... You don't discharge a Taser at a child absent the most extreme circumstances," said Michael Gennaco, a former federal prosecutor who monitors internal discipline of deputies for the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department.

A police spokesman in Hawthorne, a city of 90,000 about 15 miles southwest of downtown Los Angeles, said the department launched an internal investigation in response to a complaint by the parents of the boy days after the Sept. 23 incident. He said department officials are now reviewing the findings to determine whether the officer followed the agency's rules on using Tasers.

LEFT IN TURMOIL

Assassinations of leader, rival leave Guinea-Bissau in precarious situation

By Assimo Balde and Rukmini Callimachi **Associated Press writers**

BISSAU, Guinea-Bissau — The man who ruled this small African nation for nearly a quarter-century was assassinated Monday just hours after a bomb killed his longtime rival, the armed forces chief, leaving behind a precarious power vacuum as the country struggles to stem a booming cocaine trade.

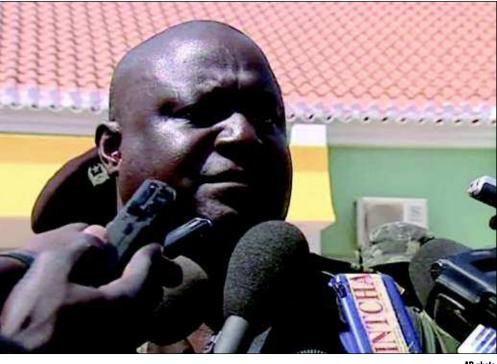
Analysts fear the back-toback assassinations could shake up drug cartels that use the country as a transit point for shipping cocaine to Europe, leading to new alliances.

President Joao Bernardo "Nino" Vieira had ruled Guinea-Bissau for 22 of the past 29 years, surviving numerous attempted coups, including one four months ago when gunmen opened fire on his home. Vieira later complained that the military had failed to intervene, leaving his body guards to fend off the attackers alone.

Tension between him and the head of the army escalated further in January, when Gen. Batiste Tagme na Waie received a call from the president's office, asking him to come at once, said his chief of staff Lt. Col. Bwam Namtcho. Waie rushed outside and was nearly killed when assailants opened fire on his car, a sequence of events that prompted Waie to believe the attack had been ordered by Vieira.

On Sunday, the army chief was killed when a bomb hidden beneath the staircase in his office exploded,

said Namtcho. Hours later, volleys of automatic gunfire rang out for at least two hours before dawn outside Vieira's palace. Military spokesman Zamora Induta denied the military had killed Vieira in retaliation for Waie's assassination,



In this image made from television, Zamora Induta, a military forces spokesman, makes a statement in Bissau, Guinea-Bissau, Monday. Renegade soldiers assassinated the president of Guinea-Bissau in his palace Monday, hours after a bomb blast killed his rival, but the military insisted no coup was taking place in the West African nation.

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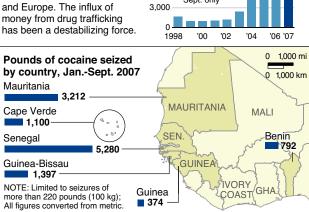
in Africa

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of cocaine

Cocaine gateway

Several West African countries like Guinea-Bissau have become transit points in recent years for the cocaine trade between South America and Europe. The influx of money from drug trafficking



6,000

SOURCES: U.N. Office on Drugs and Crime; ESRI

instead calling the attackers "an isolated group" and

vowing to pursue them.

Senegal

The former Portuguese colony has suffered multiple coups and attempted coups since 1980, when Vieira himself took power in one. His relationship with the army was always an uneasy one, fueled by a continuing power struggle as well as ethnic differences. Whereas most army officers are Balanta, the country's dominant ethnic group, Vieira is Papel, a far smaller ethnicity he was dropped off on a

representing just 5 percent of the population.

After an attempted coup in the mid-1980s, Vieira established a military tribunal and systematically purged the top Balanta officers, condemning many of them to death. One of the country's top lawyers who was also Balanta — was among those executed and Vieira did not back down even when Pope John Paul II asked for clemency.

While Waie was not killed,

deserted island miles off the coast of the tiny nation and left there for years along with other coup plotters before being allowed back, according to country experts and Namtcho.

Vieira's death creates a dangerous opening in light of the country's appeal to cocaine smugglers.

While demand cocaine has leveled off in America, it continues to rise in Europe, forcing Latin American drug cartels to aggressively seek new routes to smuggle cocaine to Europe. In recent years, they have begun flying small, twin-engine planes to Africa's West coast, where they land on deserted islands or on dirt runways and then parcel out the drugs to dozens of smugglers who ferry them north.

Guinea-Bissau, ringed by an archipelago of uninhabited islands, has become a key transit point for Europebound cocaine, with the government estimating that as much as 1,750 pounds of the drug is transiting the country's borders each week. It's an amount worth billions of dollars per year, dwarfing all other economic sectors.

Painful slide Dow falls below 7,000 for first time in 11 years

NEW YORK (AP) Investors' despair about financial companies and the recession has brought the Dow Jones industrial average to another unwanted milestone: its first drop below 7,000 in more than 11 years.

market's The slide Monday, which took the Dow down 300 points, was nowhere near the largest it has seen since last fall, but the tumble below 7,000 was nonetheless painful. The credit crisis and recession have slashed more than half the average's value since it hit a record high over 14,000 in October 2007. And now many investors fear the market could take a long time to regain the lost 7,000.

"As bad as things are, they can still get worse, and get a lot worse," said Bill Strazzullo, chief market strategist for Bell Curve Trading. Strazzullo said he believes there's a significant chance the S&P 500 and the Dow will fall back to their 1995 levels of 500 and 5,000, respectively.

The "game-changer," he said, will be the housing market and whether it can stabilize.

A recovery will also require signs of health among financial companies, but so far in 2009, it is clear that banks and insurance companies' losses are multiplying despite hundreds of billions of dollars in government help. The market fell Monday after insurer American International Group Inc. posted a staggering \$61.7 billion in quarterly losses and as the government agreed to inject more money into the company. AIG will get another \$30 billion in loans, on top of the \$150 billion the government has already invested.

And it's not just U.S. companies that have Wall Street frightened. HSBC PLC, Europe's largest bank by market value, said Monday it needs to raise \$17.7 billion. The company reported a 70 percent drop in 2008 earnings and said it would cut 6,100 jobs.

While the root of financial firms' problems lie with the bad bets they made on mortgages and mortgage-backed securities, now the recession is exacerbating their problems as it also forces millions of job cuts.

"The economy definitely has deteriorated since November," said Sean Simko, head of fixed income management at Investments. "It's just the fact that we haven't seen signs of improving or stabilizing, per se, which is adding to the morass of the market."

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The D-word: Will recession become something worse?

Obama's stimulus plan faces major battle from Americans' attitudes about banks, Wall Street

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Ferocious storm dumps heavy snow on East Coast

By Sara Kugler

Associated Press writer

NEW YORK — A ferocious storm packing freezing rain, heavy snow and furious wind gusts paralyzed most of the East Coast on Monday, sending dozens of cars careening into ditches, grounding hundreds of flights and closing school for millions of kids.

The devastating effects of the storm were seen up and down the coast. A crash caused a 15-mile traffic jam in North Carolina, forcing police and the Red Cross to go car-to-car to check on stranded drivers. The storm was blamed for 350 crashes in New Jersey, and a Maryland official counted

one stretch of highway. By Monday, the storm had

moved north into New England, and most areas in the storm's wake expected to see at least 8 to 12 inches of snow. The weather contributed to four deaths on roads in Massachusetts, Rhode Island and on Long

Diane Lugo, of Yonkers, N.Y., got a ride with her husband to avoid walking 10 minutes in the slush to her bus stop. "Getting out of the driveway was pure hell," Lugo said.

The South was especially hard hit, dealing with record snowfalls, thick ice and hundreds of thousands of power

about 50 cars in the ditch on outages in a region not accustomed to such vicious weather.

In North Carolina, Raleigh got more than 3 inches of snow; the March snowfall for the city has exceeded 3 inches only 11 times in the last 122 years. The Weather Service said parts of Tennessee received the biggest snowfall since 1968.

The 15-mile traffic jam in North Carolina caused no serious problems authorities were able to get traffic moving again.

Travelers were stranded everywhere, with about 950 flights canceled at the three main airports in the New York area and nearly 300 flights canceled in Philadelphia.



Jamilya Rich, 10, of Washington D.C., makes a snow angel by the sidewalk in Washington, on Monday. A late-winter snowstorm pummeled the Northeast on Monday, grounding hundreds of flights, causing spin-outs, delaying trains and buses and closing school for over a million children from South Carolina to New Hampshire.



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Waste not

Save money like these thrifty rethinkers

By Melissa Davlin **Times-News writer**

fter Agnes Kehrer married her husband in 1964, she hung her wedding dress in her Rupert closet and forgot about it for more than 30 years.

But when her infant granddaughter, Meghan, needed a baptism dress, she immediately thought of her white gown.

By repurposing the cloth from wedding to baptism dress, Kehrer

joined the ranks of creative crafters who save money and resources by recycling and taking

advantage



of what they already own

Penny Schell of Twin Falls said she and her husband, Philip, love the challenge of being thrifty and resourceful.

to meet their needs.

"I have a real guilty conscience about wasting," Schell said. She recycles her trash and reuses whatever she can for crafts and home-improvement proj-

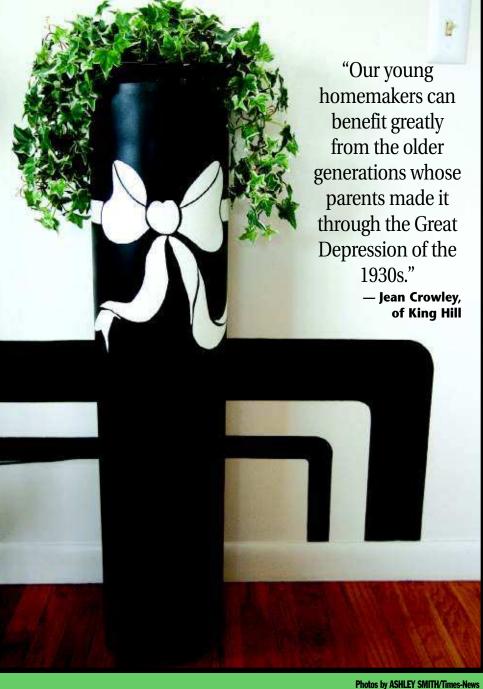
In one project, Schell took a rusted metal pipe and turned it into a planter. Trellises made from tree stakes adorn her garden during the growing months. Even Schell's dog is recycled — she got her from the animal shelter.

King Hill resident Jean Crowley is another veteran rethinker who learned her crafting skills from her parents.

"Our young homemakers can benefit greatly from the older generations whose parents made it through the Great Depression of the 1930s," Crowley said. "I grew up with parents who, if we said, 'I wish I had suchand-such,' answered, 'So make one.'

Donna Scott agreed. "In the Depression days they just said, 'Use it up, make it do, wear it out, then do without," the Wendell woman said in an e-mail to the *Times-News*. "Before it became green or crafty, it was simply survival."

Crowley said making crafts was often a family event. Parents would help scout out materials and



Penny Schell of Twin Falls used an old rusted-out pipe to make a snappy planter. Schell enjoys repurposing objects, which she says saves her loads of money.

piece together the project. "At the time, that irritated me, of course," Crowley said. "But in the years since, I have been regularly and frequently grateful for that answer to my desires: 'So make one.'"

The thrifty spirit extended to garments. If clothes could be reused and handed down, they were. Appliques, patches or pockets covered holes.

"If the fabric had any wear left in it, we kept it," Crowlev said. "Cut in pieces it went into quilts, aprons, cleaning rags, dust rags, mop rags, grease rags." Other bits of cloth were cut into strips and reborn into woven and braided rugs, place mats and pot holders.

Scott used similar techniques to give new life to a pair of tights for her small daughter.

"Remember when tights first became the fashion? Our small daughter begged and begged until finally I broke down and bought that ultimate in

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Penny Schell made this garden trellis with tree planter wood she got from her neighbor.

Carrying on Thoreau's work

Ecologist starting 30-year project to monitor climate change effects

By Adrian Higgins The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — Even with the ground frozen and the fish pond glazed, there are signs of life.

The first brave blossoms of winter jasmine are shivering in freezing temperatures. Daffodil shoots are rising through the rockhard soil, and pearl-like snowdrops are just apparent through the golden and lifeless foliage of the hakone grass.

Gardeners notice these seasonal progressions even in the supposed dead of winter, and for that reason, a U.S. Geological Survey ecologist named Jake Weltzin wants to tap into the vast reservoir of knowledge that exists in America's backyards.

"I would like to have 40,000 plant observers," said Weltzin, who is based at the University of Arizona at Tucson and is executive director of an organization called the USA National Phenology Network. Phenology is a bloodless scientific term for the miracles that occur every day in the garden: the morning in March a flock of cedar waxwings alights on the holly bushes, the first unfurling of the dogwood flower, the day the hummingbirds return, or the hour the frog lays her eggs. These life cycle events combine to form the tapestry of the natural world, and the more plants we use in the garden and the more wildlife we attract, the richer the experience.

Weltzin and his colleagues have a more prosaic reason to call on gardeners and backyard naturalists to log these phenomena: They are starting a 30-year project to gauge how climate change is affecting the world around us.

"Citizen scientists" are vital to the success of the



National Portrait Galle Henry David Thoreau spent six years recording the flowering dates of 500 plant species of his native Concord, Mass. More than 60 percent of the plants Thoreau tracked either have gone extinct in that area or are on the brink of disappearance.

program "to get the density of observations we need," he said.

The network has established a plant phenology program and Web site (www.usanpn.org) that is about to be revamped for the 2009 season to be more user-friendly while refining the program's reporting protocols. After the latewinter redesign of the Web site, participants will be able to record their observations at three levels: as a novice under Project BudBurst, or at an intermediate or more skilled scientific level. Participants are asked to observe the life cycles of plants chosen from a list of 70 to 203 garden plants, shade trees, wildflowers and weeds. No garden? No problem. Trails, parks and public wood-lands all offer opportunities for recording information.

Next year, the network hopes to launch a similar site for recording wildlife and is working to nail down 120 animal species for people to observe and record, 20 each among mammals, birds, reptiles, amphibians, aquatic species and insects.

The unwitting father of this endeavor died 147 years ago. Henry David Thoreau, abolitionist, philosopher and naturalist, spent six years recording the flowering dates of 500 plant species of his native Concord, Mass., with the

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A Mormon fritillary butterfly on aspen fleabane. Researchers fear that climate change will upset the balance between flowers and pollinators. They have asked gardeners for help.

HOME & GARDEN BRIEFS

PRUNE TREES LIKE A PRO

The College of Southern Idaho's Horticulture Club will present a free, public "Fruit Tree Pruning Workshop" from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. March 28 at Twin Falls' Centennial

You can stay for an hour or all morning. Participants will prune fruit trees that once formed part of the original Perrine orchard in the city's early days. They will help to revitalize these trees while learning proper techniques

to prune several types of fruit trees. Bring your own tools: pruning saw, loppers, bypass hand

pruners and pole saw. Information: Dave Kiesig at 732-6431 or dkiesig@csi.edu. - Compiled from staff reports

SEED REP GIVES GARDENING SEMINAR

A community gardening seminar will be held at 7 p.m. Thursday at Lighthouse Christian Fellowship, 960 Eastland Drive in Twin Falls.

Chris Stanger from ABCeeds will educate novice gardeners interested in 2-foot-by-2-foot plots and assist professional gardeners with multiple acres. Discussion will cover soil preparation, watering needs, fertilizers, effective weeding, proper sunlight, planting location, types of packaging and packaging for storage.

Samples will be available, and group or individual orders may be made.

Admission is free. Information: 737-4667. - Compiled from staff reports

For a conservatory, find true solar south

DEAR JIM: We need some additional living space and I was thinking of installing a sunroom. My wife prefers the appearance of a conservatory. What are the actual differences between the two, and which is better? – Al R.

DEAR AL: Building a typical sunroom or conservatory is not inexpensive, but it certainly is less expensive living space per square foot than adding another room to your house. All of the glass area offers the possibility of free solar heating for your house and other uses such as growing plants.

A conservatory is actually just a type of sunroom, but with some specific style characteristics. Neither is inherently better than the other. As with most homerelated products, there are various qualities of each available.

Conservatories often have more sides than a typical



SENSIBLE **HOME James Dulley**

rectangular sunroom and are more ornate. A pitched roof with an ornate roof ridge and decorative or leaded glass are also common features of a conserva-

With these features, a conservatory usually costs more than a typical sunroom of the same size.

There are several general designs and styles of conservatories. Before selecting one, try to determine how it will be used. If you plan to use it for living space, but to also capture the sun's heat to help warm the rest of your home, it should face within plus or minus 15 degrees of



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true solar south. In most areas, true solar south is different than compass south.

If the conservatory will be used for growing plants or for a spa or pool, make sure the flooring is strong enough to handle the additional weight. Also, it would be

wise to install a vapor barrier in the common wall with your house to block excess moisture from migrating indoors.

When most people think of conservatories, they picture traditional Victorianstyle ones from Europe. This style is still very common in Europe and many of the highest quality Victorian conservatories available in the U.S. are manufactured in Europe.

There are several options for purchasing one of the European conservatories. Some are made entirely in Europe in a modular form and delivered to your building site. Others are delivered in various stages of partial completion. Still others import just the frames and ornate roofing from Europe and use domestic windows. doors and glass.

Efficiency is always a concern with any sunroom design, and the type of glass has the greatest impact. As a minimum, install doublepane glass with a low-emissivity coating. You will also need some type of ventilation and shading to minimize overheating during summer.

Solar-powered vents are

effective because the sun's heat actuates them.

DEAR JIM: I get ads in the mail for very expensive electric space heaters which can "cut my heating bills in half." I also find heaters for less than \$30 at Wal-Mart. What is the difference to justify the cost? — Linda H.

DEAR LINDA: Any electric heater which is plugged into a standard wall outlet produces a maximum of about 5,100 Btuh. The more expensive heaters have fancy cabinets, but produce no more heat than a cheaper one.

Also, all electric space heaters are nearly 100 percent efficient. I use a cheap radiant electric heater in my home office so I can set the furnace thermostat a few degrees lower. My savings is about 5, not 50, percent.

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Farmer sings praises of green roof movement

By Mary Gail Hare The Baltimore Sun

BALTIMORE — Five generations of the Snodgrass family have prospered at Emory Knoll Farms in Harford County. Its 365 acres have evolved from a 19th-century dairy operation to a crop farm for most of the 20th. Now Ed Snodgrass runs a 21st-century roofing business — one that is environmentally friendly and has nothing to do with slate, tin or asphalt.

Snodgrass, 56, grows plants that make roofs green. In the past eight years, he has supplied colorful, resilient and fast-growing plants to cover nearly 2.5 million square feet of rooftops across the U.S.

Green roofs insulate buildings in winter, cool them in summer and prevent weather damage all year, said Snodgrass, who has 15 greenhouses at his farm in Street. Snodgrass, who with his wife, Lucie, co-wrote Green Roof Plants, a primer on the technology, lectures on the advantages of living rooftops and spoke at the Green Roof Conference in London last fall. His talks focus on managing urban problems with living systems, not mechani-

cal ones. The door to his office, once his grandfather's milking barn, has a sign that reads "Green roofs. They grow on you." The sweet smell of citrus, from orange and lemon trees in the greenhouse, wafts in. The roof has been green

for about three years and has never needed watering or fertilization, he said.

"It keeps the office cool in summer because the sun is not beating down on the roof," he said. "It is working for us, and not making us work on its maintenance."

About 10 years ago, after visiting several cities in Europe, where green roof technology has long been popular, he established greenroofplants.com. The Web site helped his business expand quickly, and he expects continued growth as businesses learn that green roofs deter runoff and lower energy costs.

"I do see a time when green roofs will be required, especially when people understand their value," he said. "The Earth is built on a balance between plants and animals. If it gets out of balance, there are consequences to be

A green roof is a system with several layers that begin with decking and waterproofing. The layers, which include drainage, filter and growing medium, work together as a unit. The roof can be built on various decking surfaces, if the right engiwaterproofing, drainage, insulation and protective components are put in place. (Herbaceous perennials are the most desirable rooftop plants because they offer the greatest color, texture and seasonal variability; those that work best include species of phlox, dianthus and viola.)



Baltimore Sun photo by Kenneth K. Lan

Ed Snodgrass, a fifth-generation farmer at the Emory Knoll Farms, started a green roof business about 10 years ago. Now, he is the largest supplier of plants for more than 1 million square feet of green roofs in more than 20 states.

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Bonsai: How to get started

By Lee Reich For The Associated Press

A bonsai is a small tree or shrub grown in a shallow pot. Pruning is what makes and keeps it small, but pruning is only a small part of the art of bonsai.

The art — pronounced BONE-sigh — began in China almost 2,000 years ago, then was carried to during Japan Kamakura period (1180-1333), where it was brought to a state of perfection.

A bonsai planting portrays, in miniature, a natural theme such as the rugged beauty of a gnarled pine on a windswept slope, the tranquility of a grove of larches, or the joyousness of spring in the cascading branches of an old fruit tree bursting into bloom.

To evoke such a mood, the pot must be chosen with an artistic eye; likewise for the manner in which branches shaped, and the choice of groundcover beneath the tree. And with all this, the plant must be kept healthy with careful attention to soil, fertilizers, watering and shelter from the cold.

Getting a bonsai started

Most bonsai are created from plants that, given their druthers, would grow into towering trees or billowing shrubs.

You can purchase bonsai or, even more engaging, start your own by digging up a smallish wild plant or even a seedling tree that popped up in your yard. This plant will need its first pruning, of its roots, before it even goes into a pot. Wild plants and seedlings, even if small, often have surprisingly far-reaching roots. These roots must be untangled and shortened to fit the plant into its pot.

Certain trees have a taproot — a main root that plunges deep into the ground — in addition to shallow feeder roots. Cut back the taproot to fit the plant into its shallow pot.

Prune right from the beginning

The top of a new bonsai also might need to be cut back to bring it down to bonsai size, which is usually under 4 feet. (Bonsai are classified according to form and size, and the



branches to begin. Rather

than a flat or slanted cut,

leave the cut surface of the

decapitated plant with an

Next, wrap rubber strips

tightly around the trunk at

the top, to prevent it from

swelling and ruining the

form. Many new shoots may attempt to grow from where

you cut; rub off all but a half-

dozen of them. As the shoots

grow, pinch their tips to pro-

mote branching. This broom style is especially suited to the

growth habits of deciduous

trees like elm and sycamore.

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asymmetric V-shape.

To create an "old" snag of

wood on your young bonsai,

snap off a branch or the top of

the trunk. Pull down a strip of

bark from the snag as far as

you want. Let the exposed wood dry out and then paint it

with full strength lime-sulfur

solution (available at nurs-

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A bonsai is seen at Longwood Gardens in Kennett Square, Pa.

smallest are less than 7 inches back to where you want the **Add age to a young bonsai**

But you cannot simply lop back a stem or trunk; the plant will look like a loppedback plant instead of an ancient tree in miniature.

To shorten a trunk artistically, cut it back to within a few inches above its desired height. Trim the bark from the portion of trunk above the highest remaining branch, and pare the stub to a taper. Then bend the next highest branch upwards, tying it right up against the tapered stub, with some padding to prevent the string or wire from marring the branch.

After a few weeks, when the branch can hold the upright position without assistance, remove the ties and cut back the stub, with a sloping cut, to the base of the now-leading branch.

Another way to artistically shorten a trunk is to create a "broom"-style bonsai: a trunk capped by a fan of stems. Begin by cutting the trunk

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Redesigner finds new identity for home castoffs

By Nancy Schoeffler **The Hartford Courant**

Pam Hartz Miller says her family made fun of her when she took an old seed cabinet from the family hardware store that her father ran in Deposit, N.Y. The store, Ed Hartz and Sons, has been in the family for five generations, and the seed cabinet was a wreck.

"The backs of the drawers were chewed up from mice, and it was painted a mustard gold," she says.

Hartz Miller and her husband, Jim Miller, transformed the oak cabinet, with its slanted bank of windowed drawers, into a distinctive kitchen island.

Her family isn't teasing her anymore.

"Now they all want it!"

Hartz Miller, who once designed window displays at the hardware store, sees new identities hidden in castoff items, flea market buys and roadside finds - second careers for old furniture.

She created an unusual settee from an old bed with a spool-style headboard.

"It really wasn't that sturdy as a bed," Hartz Miller says.

Her husband transformed another spool bed into a desk for their sons' bedroom.

Jim Miller remembers his grandmother making cookies at the old Hoosier baking cabinet that's now in their kitchen in Middletown, Conn. It has a built-in flour sifter, original instructions on weights and measures and a deep bread drawer. But these days, the cupboard is a wine cabinet.

In the same vein, an old typesetters' drawer serves as a coffee table, and Hartz Miller transformed a CD rack made from dowels into a hand-stenciled display rack for the quilts she makes.

Hartz Miller has woven pillows from neckties, framed a mirror with a Victrola cover and turned discarded wooden shutters plus the arm rests of a broken rocking chair into a one-of-a-kind headboard. The base of an unusual table lamp she and her husband made is encircled with antique thread bobbins.

Sometimes Jim has to "temper me," Hartz Miller says. "He'll say, 'This is something you found by the side of the road. Why are you putting so much time into it?"

She smiles. It's her nature. An old chamber pot works for a houseplant. An antique shoe form makes a charming candleholder.



Pam Hartz Miller's husband, Jim, created a bench for their family room from Hartz Miller's childhood spool bed. They got the idea from a picture in a magazine.



Pam Hartz Miller found this thread spool at an antique shop and brought it home and created a

Miller uses things in her home echoes the work she does in her part-time business as an interior "redesigner" — bringing a fresh eye to clients' homes and finding new uses and contexts for the things they have.

"I love this kind of decorating because I think it's less intimidating. I'm not going to judge their stuff. They have collections, and that's what makes their home personal," she says. "It's their style. I just find ways it can be arranged better, so that it functions better. And they didn't have to buy anything new.'

Hartz Miller, who started her Hartz & Homes roomstyling business about six years ago, previously worked as a graphic designer. She realized she was always shifting her own furniture around and helping friends decorate for parties. She studied at The creative way Hartz New York School of Interior



Pam Hartz Miller repurposes items to furnish her home. She decorated the wall in her laundry room with old cleaning and laundry implements.



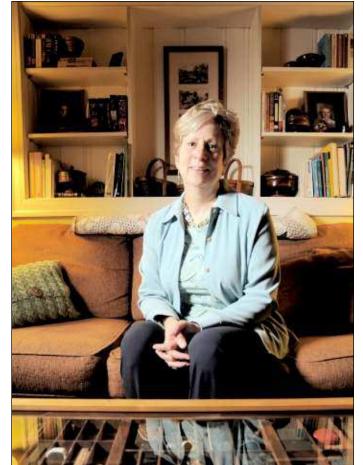
Pam Hartz Miller collects items like these miniature chairs made from tin cans. She remembers watching her grandmother make chairs like these and now finds them at tag sales and antique shops. She thinks they might have been used as decorative pin cushions.

Design and launched a traditional interior-design busi-

"I hated it," she says. "I hated picking custom wallpapers and window treatments for thousands of dollars. I thought, this isn't the way I decorate."

A book she read by interior redesign pioneer Lauri Ward of Use What You Have Interiors struck a chord. Hartz Miller trained with JoAnne Lenart-Weary, who popularized "one-day deco-

After a redesign, which runs \$300 (consultations are \$75 an hour), Hartz Miller says she will leave clients with a list of what they might want to get — almost always



Pam Hartz Miller, in her family room, runs a part-time business redesigning clients' rooms by finding new uses and contexts for the items they already have. Hartz Miller furnishes her own home by giving new life to old



Pam Hartz Miller created an island in her kitchen using an antique seed case that came from her father's hardware store in upstate New York.

"Most people need more light," she says.

And she's a big proponent of grouping a collection rather than scattering it around the house, piecemeal.

"For me, I think you see it better when it's all together."

Hartz Miller recently launched a new service, Mantel in a Box, to help people assemble attractive mantel displays of collectibles for each season.

"I change my mantels once a month," Hartz Miller says. "We live in an area with four distinct seasons, so you ought to at least change it four times.

"It's good to change," she adds. "It gives you a little lift to change things around."

Project

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aim of producing a calendar based on a plant's first flowering.

Such was the scale of his task, and his legendary status as a naturalist, that his work inspired others in Concord to follow suit. Alfred Hosmer, a shopkeeper amateur botanist, recorded the flowering times in various habitats of 700 species and varieties between 1878 and 1902. And from 1963 to 1993, Pennie Logemann, a landscape designer in Concord, methodically logged the bloom patterns of 250 plants. "I especially loved wildflowers," the nowretired Logemann said in an interview, "and more of my work was done with wildflowers than cultivated plants." She added, "I just noticed from year to year that something was going

All three sets of records have begun to give scientists a painfully clear picture of how global warming has affected flora and fauna.

Researchers at Harvard and Boston universities went back to Concord between 2003 and 2006 to record flowering data for 500 species (60 percent of Concord's green spaces have remained intact since Thoreau's day). They determined that temperatures have risen nearly 4 degrees in the past 150 years, that flowers now open a week earlier on average and that some plants are far better equipped to deal with this phenomenon than others. More than 60 percent of the plants Thoreau tracked either have gone extinct in that area or are on the brink of disappearance.

"Orchids have declined, as have lilies and gentians; these are some of the most charismatic plants," said Abraham Miller-Rushing, one of the researchers and coordinator of the impend-

ing wildlife project. Strikingly, the scientists found that plants that adapted to temperature changes, particularly in January and early spring, were survivors

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compared with those that continued to bloom at the same time as when Thoreau trudged the gardens and woods of Concord.

"Species that have not flowered earlier have declined in abundance," wrote Miller-Rushing and his colleagues in a recent issue of Proceedings of the National Academy Sciences. These include asters, mints, orchids, saxifrages, lilies and violets.

Insect life cycles also have shifted, leading researchers to wonder whether the declining plants have lost their traditional pollinators.

For the plants that have responded to warming, firstflowering dates have advanced markedly in some cases. The high-bush blueberry now flowers three weeks ahead of its 19th-century appearance. The wood sorrel, a common yellow flowering weed, blooms a month earlier.

Researchers suggest a number of widespread plants that gardeners and naturalists could use to track climate change, including the weed chicory, with its distinctive blue flower in early summer; a St. John's wort species named Hypericum perforatum; the blueberry bush; and the water iris named blue flag.

"We want people in urban areas, rural areas. We are really going to need the backyard naturalists to help out," Weltzin said.

In short, a nation of Thoreaus. "He didn't realize it at the time," said Miller-Rushing, "but the observations he was making would be valuable to our understanding of climate change."

Rethink

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legwear," Scott said, "First day at school, playing tetherball, you guessed it — a rip in the beloved tights."

Instead of tossing them out, Scott dug out her needle and thread and repaired them. She fancied up the tights with an applique lady bug, made to look like it was crawling up the run.

In the end, Scott — and

vestion:

the other rethinkers — got more than just saved money out of their projects.

"There's a certain amount of joy and personal satisfaction when you find a use for items that might otherwise end up in the landfill," she said.

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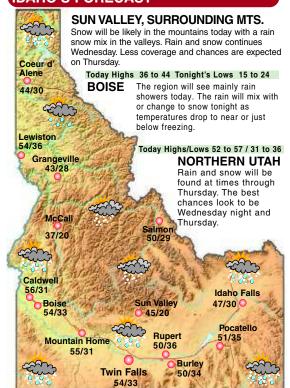
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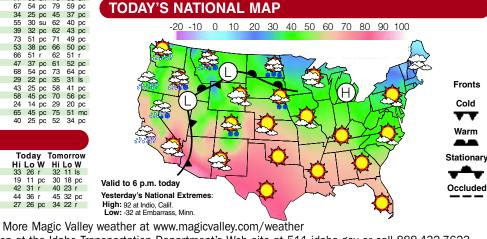
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The D-word: Will recession become something worse?

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON Depression doesn't have to be Great — bread lines, rampant unemployment, a wipeout in the stock market. The economy can sink into a milder depression, the kind spelled with a lowercase "d."

And it may be happening now.

The trouble is, unlike recessions, which are easy to define, there are no firm rules for what makes a depression. Everyone at least seems to agree there hasn't been one since the epic hardship of the

But with each new hardtimes headline, most recently an alarming economic contraction of 6.2 percent in the fourth quarter, it seems more likely that the next depression is on its way.

"We're probably in a depression now. But it's not going to be acknowledged until years go by. Because you have to see it behind you," said Peter Morici, a business professor at the University of Maryland.

No one disputes that the current economic downturn qualifies as a recession. Recessions have two handy definitions, both in effect now — two straight quarters of economic contraction, or when the National Bureau of Economic Research makes

Declaring a depression is much trickier.

By one definition, it's a downturn of three years or more with a 10 percent drop in economic output and unemployment above 10 percent. The current downturn doesn't qualify yet: 15 months old, that 6.2 percent drop in output and 7.6 percent unemployment.

Another definition says a depression is a sustained recession during which the populace has to dispose of tangible assets to pay for everyday living. For some families, that's happening

Morici says a depression is a recession that "does not self-correct" because of fundamental structural problems in the economy, such as broken banks or a huge trade deficit.

Or maybe a depression is whatever corporate America savs it is. Tony James, president of private equity firm Blackstone, called this downturn a depression during an earnings conference call last





In this photo combo made with file photos, part of a line of 1,000 job **hunters outside Newark City Hall** applying for a chance to wield pick and shovel, 10 hours a day, for \$4, excavating for the City Canal Railway Project, April 3, 1935, in Newark, N.J., top, and Job seekers wait on line to enter the WWD Fashion Career Expo, Feb. 20, in New York, bottom. The epic hardship of the 1930s is the bestknown depression in American history, but it doesn't necessarily take that kind of nightmare to trigger the D-word.

The Great Depression the heavyweight retains Unemployment crown. peaked at more than 25 percent. From 1929 to 1933, the economy shrank 27 percent. The stock market lost 90 percent of its value from boom to bust.

And while last year in the stock market was the worst since 1931, the Dow Jones industrials would have to fall about 5,000 more points to approach what happened in the Depression.

Few economists expect this downturn will be the sequel. But nobody knows for sure, and nobody can say when or whether the downturn may deepen from a recession to a depression.

In his prime-time address to Congress last week, President Barack Obama acknowledged "difficult and trying times" but sought to rally the nation with an upbeat vow that "we will rebuild, we will recover."

The next day, Federal Reserve Chairman Ben Bernanke told the House Financial Services Committee that the "recession is serious, financial conditions remain difficult."

The rational underpinnings of irrational anger

Obama's recovery plan faces stiff battle from Americans' attitudes about banks, Wall Street

By Shankar Vedantam The Washington Post

"I know how unpopular it is to be seen as helping banks right now, especially when everyone is suffering in part from their bad decisions. I promise you, I get it. But I also know that in a time of crisis, we cannot afford to govern out of anger.'

- President Obama, in his address to Congress last week

William Neilson is mad at all the people who bought homes they could not afford and the bankers who enabled them in order to turn a fast buck. He is mad because he has always paid his mortgage on time and had the common sense not to borrow four times the value of his house. He is mad because, now that the economy is in a tailspin, the president wants honest taxpayers like him who did every-

thing right to lend a hand to help out those who did everything wrong.

Obama's blueprint to lead the country out of recession faces many hurdles, but no challenge may be as great or embedded as deeply in the human psyche — as the visceral distaste many Americans feel about propping up banks and Wall Street "masters of the universe.

In his address to Congress last week, Obama stressed that the point of pouring hundreds of billions of dollars into banks and other financial institutions is not to help bankers but to help ordinary people who depend on banks. If huge banks and other financial institutions collapse as Lehman Brothers did, many economists say, it could send the economy into an even deeper tailspin.

What Obama did not mention, however, is that saving banks and financial institutions has the unintended consequence of saving many bankers, CEOs and Wall Street tycoons from the consequences of their greed, and these are people that many Americans would like to see in stocks on the town square.

Obama is right in calling a mechanism that arose such anger unreasonable. But there is robust evidence that unreasonable anger against those who harm the common good is deeply embedded in human DNA and has probably played a salutary role in our economic, political and social histo-A wide body of experi-

ments have recently put such anger in a new light: Seeking to punish those who harm the common good, especially when the punishment involves a high cost to ourselves, is really a form of altruism. As with giving to charity, "altruistic punishment" elevates emotional goals over purely rational and selfish — goals. You see altruistic punishment on display anytime a person puts his life at risk to apprehend a criminal or spends her own time and money to bring wrongdoing to light.

Altruistic punishment has been found in every human society scientists have studied; it has even been found in other species. The anger many Americans who played by the rules now feel toward those who broke the rules might well be hard-wired —

through evolution to punish freeloaders and to encourage cooperative behavior.

Economist Attila Ambrus at Harvard University guesses that 30 to 40 percent of people in most groups are willing to pay a personal price to punish those who endanger the common good.

Neilson is an especially instructive case study because he happens to be an economist, too, at the University of Tennessee. He agrees with Obama's rescue plan on an intellectual level but vehemently disagrees on an emotional level.

He drew an analogy between the current financial situation and a game economists have devised: Four people are given \$5 apiece. They are then told to contribute one after the other to a common pot. If the amount in the pot totals \$12, they are informed, each player will get a \$6 bonus. In an ideal world, each player would give \$3, collect the bonus and go home with \$8. The temptation, however, is to free-ride — to contribute less than your share and and enriched themselves hope someone else gives

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States urged to improve probation, parole programs.

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Trout numbers drop



Below-average spring flows halt production at some facilities

By Cindy Snyder **Times-News correspondent**

Trout production in Idaho is down and industry watchers point to declining spring levels as one of the causes. However, the decline may not be as dramatic as numbers released by the U.S. Department of Agriculture last week indicate.

According to the report, which was released Feb. 27, sales in 2008 of foodsize trout — 12 inches or longer — totaled \$35 million, down 24 percent from the \$46.4 million reported in 2007. Total pounds sold in 2008 were 35.4 million pounds compared to 49.9 million pounds the previous

But industry watchers believe the 2007 numbers were too high. Last year, USDA reported production of 50.5 million pounds. That number was revised to 49.9 million pounds in 2007 number is still too high, but he thinks the 2008 number is reason-

Many smaller facilities that used to ing at maximum capacity in 2008.

AQUACULTURE BY THE NUMBERS

- Total world fisheries production reached a new high of 143.6 million metric
- More than 90 million metric tons from wild or capture and 51.7 million metric tons from aquaculture.
- Of the 90 million, 110.4 million metric tons was used for human consumption with the remainder used as livestock feed or fishmeal. **SOURCE:** FAO The State of World Fisheries and Aquaculture.

produce a couple hundred thousand pounds of trout annually are no longer operating because spring flows have dropped below levels where production is viable. A facility needs to produce 25,000 to 30,000 pounds of trout per cubic feed per second of water to break even.

Magic Spring, a spring used by SeaPac to raise fish, is licensed at 146 pounds per cubic feed per second, but Ashley said they've been lucky to get 105 to 106 pounds per cubic feed this report, but Ken Ashley, president of SeaPac of Idaho in Buhl, says the decline in spring flow, which is close to the approximately 25 percent loss in sales reported by USDA.

Ashley said facilities were operat-

"Every site that was viable in twothousand-eight, was in production and doing everything they could," he said.

Nationwide, trout production was down 9 percent in 2008. Idaho accounted for 44 percent of the total value of U.S. trout production. North Carolina also showed a decline in production from 4.4 million pounds in 2007 to 3.5 million pounds in 2008.

Gary Fornshell, University of Idaho extension aquaculture specialist, said a severe drought in North Carolina is limiting production.

Fornshell wasn't surprised to see the dramatic decrease in Idaho pro-

See **TROUT**, Agribusiness 2

Stimulus bill allocates \$50M to help recover high feed costs

By Cindy Snyder **Times-News correspondent**

Aquaculture producers found an unexpected surprise when they started reading the federal stimulus bill a \$50 million relief program for high feed costs in 2008.

"We were all taken by surprise," said Linda Lemmon, executive secretary for the Idaho Aquaculture Association.

While \$50 million sounds good, she and others who have looked at the provision are cautioning Idaho's trout, tilapia, sturgeon and other

See **FEED**, Agribusiness 2

AGRIBUSINESS BRIEFS

Idaho producers and handlers eligible for reimbursement

BOISE — Idaho State Department of Agriculture is accepting applications from certified organic producers and handlers in Idaho for reimbursement of 75 percent of certification costs up to \$750. Reimbursement for certification costs paid between Oct. 1, 2008 and Sept. 30, 2009, will be reimbursed in the order they are received.

The United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) is authorized to provide cost share assistance to producers and handlers of agricultural products in obtaining certification under the USDA National Organic Program. The cost share program was contained in the 2008 Farm Bill.

An application form is posted on the ISDA website at: www.agri.idaho.gov For additional information on the cost share reimbursement program, contact Linda Georgiev 208-332-8681.

California storms still don't provide enough rain

FRESNO, Calif. California officials say recent storms haven't dumped down nearly enough rain and snow to make a big dent in the state's ongoing drought.

Wendy Martin, who leads the Department of Water Resources' drought division, says storms in the last few weeks helped bring this year's rainfall up to about 87 percent of average.

Over the next 10 days, another round of wet weather is expected to bring about 6 more inches

California is in its third straight year of drought.

"After all, God decides

Every five years, the Clean

Air Act requires the agency to

review the newest scientific

information and recommend

Milbourn said the changes

are not just a matter of regu-

lating dust. They serve the

public's well-being and,

regardless of whether some-

one lives in a rural or urban

area, the threshold for unsafe levels of dust in the air must

remain consistent nationally. "It's health-based," she

said. "We don't look at a par-

ticular industry. The goal is to

But farmers insist the reg-

ulation will affect their oper-

ations and eventually their

bottom lines. And they said

protect public health."

changes to its standards. EPA spokeswoman Cathy

when the wind blows, not

Chuck Grassley," he said. But the EPA said the regula-

stantly change.

tion was overdue.

— Staff and wire reports

Criminal charges mulled in Mo. grain seizure

By Alan Scher Zagier Associated Press writer

MARTINSBURG, Mo. — Linus Rothermich took a trucking company owner at her word when she promised to later pay him for nearly \$200,000 in grain delivered to feedlots and storage elevators across Missouri.

Now the Auxvasse resident wonders if he and as many as 300 other farmers will ever see a dime. The state agriculture department has seized the assets of T.J. Gieseker Farms and Trucking after a routine audit revealed the company owes more than \$1.3 million in unpaid grain royalties.

On Wednesday, Attorney General Chris Koster announced a criminal investigation into the missing money as hundreds of potential fraud victims packed a Knights of Columbus meeting room in the small town east of Mexico, Mo.

Judging by the comments of Rothermich and others, the actual losses could be far

higher than the state's initial estimate. "It was all pretty much

done over the phone," Rothermich said of his verbal agreement with Cathy Gieseker, the business owner and sole employee. Gieseker has not returned telephone calls seeking comment.

Other farmers at the meeting told similar stories of handshake deals with Gieseker, though most declined to be publicly identified.

Gieseker may have offered the farmers a rate far higher than what grain buyers wound up paying on the other end, agriculture offi-"She promised them the

world, and she promised them a price that was not realistic," said Chris Klenklen, administrator of grain regulatory services for the Missouri Department of Agriculture.

Klenklen said Gieseker served as broker between grain farmers in northeast Missouri and buyers in St. Louis; Louisiana, Mo.; Mexico, Mo.; and Quincy, Ill.

The company still has about \$100,000 worth of grain stored in elevators

See **GRAIN**, Agribusiness 3

EPA says farm dust open to regulation

By Marco Santana **Associated Press writer**

DES MOINES, Iowa — Nothing says summer in Iowa like a cloud of dust behind a combine.

But what may be a fact of life for farmers is a cause for concern to federal regulators, who are refusing to exempt growers from new environmental regulations.

It's left some farmers feeling bemused and more than a little frustrated.

"It's such a non-commonsense idea that you can keep dust within a property line when the wind blows," said Sen. Charles Grassley, a member of the Senate Agriculture Committee who still farms in northeast Iowa.

Under rules imposed in 2006, rural areas would be kept to the same standards as urban areas for what the Environmental Protection Agency calls "coarse particulate matter" in the air.

The American Farm Bureau Federation and the National Pork Producers Council had petitioned the government to provide an exemption to farmers. They argued that evidence of harm caused by dust in rural areas hasn't been determined.

But the U.S. District Court of Appeals in Washington ruled Tuesday that the EPA had already provided the evidence necessary to determine farm dust "likely is not safe."

Michael Formica, a lawyer



A combine kicks up dust as a farmer harvests a soybean field north of Ames, Iowa, in this file photo. Federal regulators are refusing to exempt growers from new environmental regulations, including rules on dust.

for the pork council, said this means farmers now face the daunting task of proving a negative — that the dust is not harmful.

Formica said his and other groups will consider a further

Farmers said they will be hard-pressed to meet the standards.

In a letter sent Wednesday to the EPA, Grassley wrote that compliance would be impossible because of the dust produced in farmers' day-to-day activities.

Grassley also has noted that because many rural roads are not paved, particulate readings could be affected by wind gusts that con-

unlike fixing a bus, they have few options for limiting dust from their fields and roads. Roger Zylstra, a director with the Iowa Corngrowers Association, said if left alone, farmers can compete worldwide. But regulation could

> impede their success. He said there seems to be a disconnect between farmers and policymakers.

"Many of the people that are making the rules, it feels like they really don't know what (farming) issues are," said Zylstra, a Lynnville resident who has worked on a farm for 35 years.

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DATES & **DEADLINES**

Dates to know in Idaho ag

- March 15: 2009 crop year for spring planted crops, small grain forages (wheat, barley and oats including annual pea forage), mustard and summer planted buck-
- March 31: Final loan & LDP availability date for small grains, honey, and
- May 31: Final loan & LDP availability date for corn, dry peas, grain sorghum, lentils, mustard seed, safflower seed, small chickpeas, soybeans and sunflower seed.

Feed

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aquaculture producers not to get their hopes too high. She said the money will

be apportioned to states based on feed usage and aquaculture production.

After that, it will be up to each state to allocate the funding to producers based on their increased feed costs.

Aquaculture feed costs in Idaho increased 15 to 25 percent in 2008, depending on which feed was used during production.

Catfish producers from southern states are largely credited for getting a feed relief provision included in the stimulus bill.

Ken Corpron, sales director for Rangen's aquaculture feed division, said catfish production dominates U.S. aquaculture production. In 2007, the base year for determining each state's portion of the program, the U.S. catfish industry fed 800,000 pounds of feed. According to FAO numbers for 2006, catfish accounted for 72 percent of U.S aquaculture. Trout represented just 8 percent of the total 61 million pounds of fish produced nationwide in

"We've been in contact with the Idaho State Agriculture Department they're putting through the numbers to USDA," Lemmon said. "We have no idea what kind of rebate it may be."

Trout

Continued from Agribusiness 1

Based on egg sales into the state and other indicators, he has been skeptical of the 2007 production estimate.

One bright spot in the 2008 production report is that the average price received by Idaho growers was up 6 cents to 99 cents per pound.

Nationwide, the average trout price was \$1.38 per pound — up from \$1.19

per pound in 2007. "Profit margins were down because of increases in feed and energy prices, but trout prices stayed ahead," Fornshell said.

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Retired bean breeder receives Governor's Award

Times-News staff and wire reports

BOISE — Leslie L. "Bill" Dean, a retired University of Idaho bean breeder, received the Governor's Award for Excellence in Technical Innovation Feb. 24 at the 2009 Idaho Ag Summit.

Dean's nomination, which was in recognition of his accomplishments in the development, production and marketing of dry and garden beans, was initiated by the Idaho Bean Commission.

Kathy Stewart-Williams, University of Idaho coordinator of the Idaho Foundation Seed Program in Kimberly, said the Idaho bean industry has "benefited immeasurably from Bill's gifts" and from his commitment to the protection of standards and qual-

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By the time he retired from the University in Idaho in 1975,

Leslie L. "Bill" Dean had released 18 dry edible and snap beans.

ity in Idaho seed beans. A native of Twin Falls, Dean earned his bachelor's

and master's degrees from the University of Idaho and his Ph.D. from Purdue University. He released his first

beans for the University of Idaho's Bean Improvement Program before completing his master's degree and joined the University of Idaho faculty as a Twin Falls-based assistant plant pathologist for bean diseases in 1950.

By the time he retired from the University in Idaho in 1975, Dean had released 18 dry edible and snap beans.

According to Stewart-Williams, several of Dean's milestone beans, including UI 111 and UI 114, remain cornerstones

pinto bean industry. UI 111, to which all modern pinto beans grown in North America trace their roots, was among the first cultivars developed by hybridization in its market class

of the North American

worldwide. Dean was a founding member of the International Bean Improvement Cooperative and led the campaign for zero tolerance of bacterial blight of beans in Idaho.

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CLOSING FUTURES

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| Mon | Commodity | High | Low | Close | Change |
| Apr | Live cattle | 85.55 | 83.80 | 83.95 | - 1.98 |
| Jun | Live cattle | 83.60 | 81.80 | 82.20 | - 1.70 |
| Mar | Feeder cattle | 91.95 | 90.90 | 91.45 | - 1.15 |
| Apr | Feeder cattle | 92.95 | 91.85 | 92.35 | - 1.53 |
| May | Feeder cattle | 95.20 | 93.25 | 94.08 | - 1.43 |
| Apr | Lean hogs | 61.00 | 59.85 | 60.28 | 63 |
| May | Lean hogs | 71.35 | 69.85 | 70.25 | - 1.10 |
| Mar | Pork belly | 78.00 | 76.50 | 76.50 | - 1.20 |
| May | Pork belly | 79.20 | 78.00 | 79.10 | 73 |
| Mar | Wheat | XXX.XX | 503.50 | 494.75 | - 15.75 |
| May | Wheat | 514.00 | 538.00 | 506.00 | - 15.50 |
| Mar | KC Wheat | 545.00 | 544.00 | 540.75 | - 11.25 |
| May | KC Wheat | 553.50 | 610.75 | 547.00 | - 13.00 |
| Mar | MPS Wheat | 621.75 | 622.50 | 612.00 | - 14.00 |
| May | MPS Wheat | 609.75 | 592.50 | 595.25 | - 11.00 |
| Mar | Corn | 345.25 | 338.00 | 343.50 | - 7.25 |
| May | Corn | 352.25 | 344.75 | 350.25 | - 8.75 |
| Mar | Soybeans | 856.00 | 844.00 | 848.50 | - 26.00 |
| May | Soybeans | 853.00 | 838.50 | 844.00 | - 28.00 |
| Mar | BFP Milk | XX.XX | XX.XX | 10.27 | + .04 |
| Apr | BFP Milk | 10.45 | 10.40 | 10.45 | + .05 |
| May | BFP Milk | XX.XX | XX.XX | 10.78 | + .03 |
| Jun | BFP Milk | 11.31 | 11.31 | 11.33 | + .03 |
| Jul | BFP Milk | XX.XX | XX.XX | 12.47 | + .03 |
| Mar | Sugar | 13.77 | 12.71 | 12.75 | 98 |
| Jun | Sugar | 13.93 | 12.97 | 13.00 | 87 |
| Mar | B-Pound | 1.4288 | 1.6957 | 1.4067 | 0256 |
| lun | B-Pound | 1.4280 | 1.3956 | 1.4060 | 0263 |
| Mar | J-Yen | 1.0320 | 1.0216 | 1.0253 | + .0034 |
| Jun | J-Yen | 1.0342 | 1.0244 | 1.0276 | + .0034 |
| Mar | Euro-currency | 1.2631 | 1.2543 | 1.2597 | 0099 |
| Jun | Euro-currency | 1.2629 | 1.2549 | 1.2569 | 0126 |
| Mar | Canada dollar | .7858 | .7734 | .7759 | 0116 |
| Jun | Canada dollar | .7859 | .7750 | .7750 | 0131 |
| Mar | U.S. dollar | 89.14 | 88.40 | 89.04 | + .89 |
| Apr | Comex gold | 959.5 | 930.8 | 930.8 | - 11.7 |
| Jun | Comex gold | 961.0 | 932.8 | 932.8 | - 11.7 |
| Mar | Comex silver | 13.34 | 12.69 | 12.90 | 19 |
| May | Comex silver | 13.38 | 12.70 | 12.90 | 21 |
| Mar | Treasury bond | 126.23 | 124.29 | 126.09 | + 1.22 |
| Jun | Treasury bond | 125.15 | 123.17 | 124.32 | + 1.21 |
| Mar | Coffee | 109.45 | 103.80 | 103.55 | - 5.90 |
| May | Coffee | 111.75 | 105.50 | 105.70 | - 6.20 |
| Mar | Cocoa | 1834 | 1764 | 1765 | - 79 |
| May | Cocoa | 1790 | 1712 | 1713 | - 90 |
| Mar | Cotton | 41.39 | 40.88 | 40.29 | - 1.77 |
| May | Cotton | 43.20 | 41.11 | 41.49 | - 1.77 |
| Apr | Crude oil | 44.49 | 39.84 | 40.16 | - 4.60 |
| Apr | Unleaded gas | 1.3699 | 1.2725 | 1.2884 | 0841 |
| Apr | Heating oil | 1.2660 | 1.1476 | 1.1576 | 1099 |
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GRAINS

ask (1.5 percent moisture). Prices are given daily by Rangens in Bull. Prices current Feb. 25. Barley, \$7.00 (48-lb. minimum) spot delivery in Twin Falls and Gooding: corn, no quote (Twin Falls only). Prices quoted by Land O'Lakes Inc. in Twin Falls. Prices current Feb. 25.

POCATELLO (AP) — Idaho Farm Bureau Intermountain Grain Report on Monday.

POCATELLO — White wheat 4.37 (down 9) 11.5 percent winter 4.44 (down 9) 14 percent spring 6.38 (down 11) barley 5.73 (down 7) 11.5 percent winter 4.52 (down 8) 14 percent spring 6.20 (down 11) barley 5.50 (steady) 0GDEN — White wheat 4.36 (down 14) 11.5 percent winter 4.90 (down 14) 11.5 OGDEN – White wheat 4.36 (down 14) 11.
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CHEESE

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Barrels: \$1.1900, + .0100: Blocks: \$1.1750, nc
CHICAGO (AP) — USDA — Major potato markets FOB
shipping points Friday.

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LIVESTOCK

POCATELLO (AP) — Idaho Farm Bureau Intermountain Livestock Report on Monday.

LIVESTOCK AUCTION — Burley Livestock Market on Thursday Utility and commercial cows 38.00-46.00 canner and cutters 32.00-36.00 heavy feeder steers 80.00-91.50 light feeder steers 88.50-112.00 stocker steers 108.00-127.00 heavy holstein feeder steers 45.00-18.00 light holstein feeder steers 40.00-19.10 heavy feeder heifers 78.00-85.00 light feeder heifers 93.00-102.50 stocker heifers 93.00-105.00 slaughter bulls 48.00-60.00 Remarks: No comments.

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NEW YORK (AP) — Handy & Harman silver Monday \$12.930 off \$0.040.

H&H fabricated \$15.516 off \$0.048.
The morning bullion price for silver in London \$13.140 off \$0.070.

Engelhard \$12.920 off \$0.400.

Engelhard fabricated \$15.504 off \$0.480. NY Merc silver spot month Monday \$13.050 off

NEW YORK (AP) — Spot nonferrous metal prices Monda Aluminum -\$0.6050 per lb., N.Y. Merc spot Mon. Copper -\$1.5710 Cathode full plate, U.S. destinations Copper \$1.5075 N.Y. Merc spot Mon.

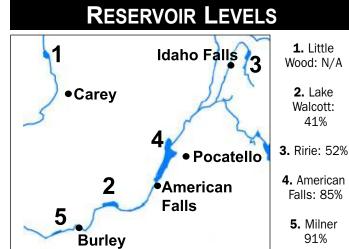
NEW YORK (AP) — Key currency exchange rates Monday, compared with late Filday in New York: Dollar vs:

Exch. Rate Pvs Day

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FUEL REPORT

The fuel report was unavailable Monday. The report will return next Tuesday in Agribusiness.



See the full reservoir report at: www.waterdistrict1.com

Montana horse slaughterhouse bill moves forward

Bill aims to prevent increasing number of abandoned horses

By Matt Gouras **Associated Press writer**

HELENA, Mont. — The Montana House Representatives strongly endorsed a bill that paves the way for construction of a horse slaughterhouse in Montana and aims to bring the industry back to the United States.

Backers said ranchers and those who own horses have been struggling ever since all the slaughterhouses in the country were closed down. They said it is far more difficult now to dispose of old, sick or injured animals.

"This bill is really providing a humane and regulated processing plant," said the sponsor, Republican Rep. Ed D-Poplar, said the closure of Butcher, a horse owner from the central Montana farm community of Winifred. "Demand is there. We want a humane way to address the problem."

The measure was endorsed 67-33 last Tuesday in the first of two scheduled House votes. If it passes again Wednesday as expected, it will go to the Senate for more hearings and votes.

Butcher said his bill gives investors assurance that Montana will treat their businesses fairly if they build in

He was backed by agriculture interests on both sides of the aisle. House Majority Leader Margarett Campbell,

the country's last slaughterhouse "had a devastating effect on ranchers."

Others said that old and lame horses are being abandoned on public land in some cases.

Cavel International Inc. shut down its DeKalb, Ill.. operation after the U.S. 7th Circuit Court of Appeals in 2007 upheld an Illinois law prohibiting slaughter of horses for human consumption.

Opponents argued that a horse slaughterhouse should not be granted special exemptions from environmental and other laws, and should be treated like any factory.

Sue Malek, D-Rep.

Missoula, said animals should be more justly treated. "We need to care about animals and be responsible owners," she said. In 2007, when state-

imposed bans closed the last three U.S. horse slaughterhouses, a record 78,000 horses were exported to Canada and Mexico for slaughter, according to Department of Agriculture statistics compiled by the Humane Society.

Butcher argued the country needs a slaughterhouse as cases of horse abandonment and cruelty escalate amid economic upheaval that has some owners of the animals unable to care for them, unable to find new homes for

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— Republican Rep. Ed Butcher, a horse owner from the central Montana farm community of Winifred

horses and looking for ways to dispose of them humanely and affordably.

Selling horses for slaughter was an option when the country had facilities to take them, Butcher said, but now people are left with the cost of euthanasia plus disposal fees that can run into hundreds of dollars.

Butcher said slaughtering domestically makes more sense than sending U.S. hors-

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es to Canada or Mexico, and the work can be done swiftly, without pain to the animal.

But Nancy Perry, the Humane Society's vice president for government affairs, has said horses are particularly ill-suited for traditional slaughterhouses. The animals are likely to try to escape the kill box and the procedure for killing them can be disrupt-

Cost of diesel fuel dives

Los Angeles Times

As gasoline prices drift and oil falters, the diesel fuel that dominates agriculture, rail transport, heavy construction and road hauling is cheaper than it has been in more than four years, the U.S. Energy Department said Monday.

Though that sounds like good news, diesel's decline is another sign of the depths of the global economy's funk.

"Diesel prices are down because demand is down," said Jerry Nickelsburg, senior economist with Anderson Forecast at the University of California, Los Angeles, adding that foreign trading partners have also soured on buying U.S. exports.

"Californians, and American households in gen-

Agriculture futures

trade lower on CBOT

AGRIBUSINESS BRIEFS

CHICAGO — Agriculture futures fell Monday on the Chicago Board of Trade.

Wheat for May delivery

dropped 15.5 cents to \$5.06 a

bushel; May corn lost 8.75

cents to \$3.5025 a bushel;

May oats fell 3 cents to \$1.91

a bushel; and May soybeans

slid 28 cents to \$8.44 a

Beef and pork futures were

also lower on the Chicago

Mercantile Exchange. April

live cattle fell 1.97 cents to

83.95 cents a pound; April

feeder cattle lost 1.52 cents to

92.35 cents a pound; April

lean hogs slipped 0.63 cent to

60.27 cents a pound; and

May pork bellies fell 0.72 cent

Report says 15 percent

WICHITA, Kan. — The dry

Monday's report by the

Kansas Agricultural Statistics

Service shows 15 percent of

the wheat crop is in poor to

About 35 percent is report-

ed in fair shape. The report

also pegs 45 percent as good

The crop update comes at

and 5 percent as excellent.

weather in Kansas is hurting

to 79.1 cents a pound.

of Kansas wheat

in poor condition

the state's winter wheat.

very poor condition.

bushel.

eral, are not buying. Retailers are not ordering. Factories are not building, and trucks ["]delivering," not Nickelsburg said.

Analysts said that the continuing economic malaise was the primary reason for another sharp hit on oil prices Monday. Unable to find any firm basis for a climb since its record high above \$147 a barrel last summer, crude oil for April delivery fell \$4.61 to close at \$40.15 a barrel on the New York Mercantile Exchange.

Retail gasoline was mixed, up an average of 2.5 cents a gallon over the last week to \$1.93 nationwide, according to the Energy Department's weekly survey of filling stations. In California, the average price of a gallon of selfserve regular gasoline fell 7.2 cents to \$2.18.

a time when soil moisture

conditions are deteriorating

in the wake of a mostly dry

The agency says topsoil moisture is short to very

short across 66 percent of the

state. Subsoil moisture conditions are 38 percent short

Farmers worry as parts

LUBBOCK, Texas — Across

the nation's No. 2 agricultural

state, drought conditions are

evaporating stock tanks, keeping many crop farmers

from planting, forcing cattle

producers to cull their herds,

and dropping water levels in

Despite hurricanes Dolly,

Gustav and Ike soaking Texas

in 2008, almost every part of

the state — nearly 97 percent

drought, according to the most

recent U.S. Drought Monitor

Parts of central Texas and

the Hill Country — more that

8 percent of the state — are

not only in exceptional drought — the most severe

stage of dryness — but they

are now the driest region in

the country and the driest

they have been since 1918. It

is the only place in the U.S.

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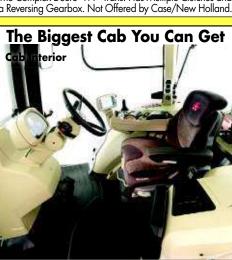
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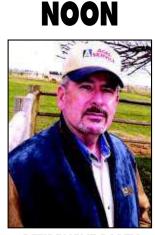
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Grain

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across the state as well as \$557,447 in its bank account, according to the state's court petition seeking appointment as legal trustee and receiver of the business assets. An Audrain County judge granted that request last week.

Farmers owed money have until March 31 to submit any purchase agreements, copies of scale tickets showing weight and other documents to the state. An administrative law judge will help proportionally divvy up the company's remaining assets in June and July.

Given the number of farmers who attended the meeting, those returns could be just pennies on the dollar, Klenklen said.

"I don't think we're going to find this pot of gold," he said after the meeting.

Missouri Agricultural Director Jon Hagler tried to assure the crowd that state regulators will aggressively investigate the grain dealer-Audrain ship. County Prosecutor Jason Lamb will assist the state Attorney General's Office.

"Any time you have this level of money changing hands, you have got a roomful of people like this, we always want to take the extra step," Hagler said. "There's a lot of anxiety."











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Clinton calls for action to forge Mideast peace

By Robert Burns Associated Press writer

SHARM EL-SHEIK, Egypt – U.S. Secretary of State Hillary Rodham Clinton said Monday that Israel cannot "just sit and take rockets" from Gaza terrorizing its citizens as she stressed the administration's commitment to finding a peaceful existence for Israelis and Palestinians.

On her first foray into Middle East diplomacy, Clinton used an international donors conference to issue a blunt call for urgent action

to forge a comprehensive coexisting in peace. Arab-Israeli peace. She also signaled a possible warming in U.S. relations with Syria after several years of division.

With the Obama administration's Mideast peace envoy, George Mitchell, seated behind her at a conference meant to raise billions to help the Gaza Strip recover from its recent war with Israel, Clinton said President Barack Obama would continue the Bush administration's focus on seeking a twostate solution involves Israel and a sovereign Palestinian state

She made it clear, however, that Mideast leaders could count on Obama to take a more active approach than did his predecessor, George W. Bush.

"It is time to look ahead," she said, with an eye on the human aspects of what years of regional conflict have meant for the Palestinians and others.

'The United States is committed to a comprehensive peace between Israel and its that Arab neighbors, and we will pursue it on many fronts,"

tor and one-time first lady told the gathering: "I have to confess I am troubled by the continuing rocket attacks coming out of Gaza." She added that Israel cannot "just sit and take rockets falling on its people."

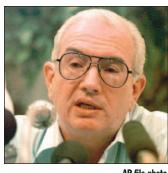
The Sharm el-Sheik conference was called in the aftermath of the Gaza crisis, which remains in danger of heating up. Israel ended its air and ground assault meant to halt rocket fire coming from Gaza about six weeks ago with a shaky cease-fire by both sides. Some 1,300 avoiding any timetable.

The former New York sena- Palestinians — at least half of them civilians - and 13 Israelis died in the threeweek offensive, officials have said.

Militants have continued to fire rockets sporadically into southern Israel, triggering retaliatory airstrikes.

Asked if a peaceful settlement was possible by year's end, Clinton indicated that the process will take a long

"I personally am very committed to this. I know that it can be done. I believe that with all my heart," she said,



AP file photo

In this 1997 file photo, Cuba's **Economy Minister Jose Luis** Rodriguez speaks during a news conference in Havana. Cuba abruptly replaced some of its most powerful and visible officials on Monday, including Rodriguez.

Raul Castro ousts top Cubans loyal to brother Fidel Castro

By Will Weissert **Associated Press writer**

HAVANA — President Raul Castro abruptly ousted some of Cuba's most powerful officials Monday, remaking the government in the biggest shakeup since he took over from his ailing brother Fidel Castro a year ago.

The changes replaced some key Fidel loyalists, including the longtime foreign minister, with men closer to Raul. They also reduced the enormous powers of a vice president credited with saving Cuba's economy after the fall of the Soviet Union.

But analysts saw no immediate indication that the changes are related to hopes for closer U.S.-Cuban ties now that both countries have new presidents.

The most prominent of ousted, Foreign Minister Felipe Perez Roque, was the youngest of Cuba's top leaders and had been widely mentioned as a possible future president.

Perez Roque, 43, had been Fidel Castro's personal secretary before becoming foreign minister almost a decade ago, and he delighted in blustery, Fidel-like denunciations of U.S. policy.

"He was someone who was very close to Fidel Castro and built his career working directly for Fidel Castro," said Phil Peters, a Cuba specialist at the Lexington Institute near Washington.

Perez Roque was replaced by his own deputy, Bruno Rodriguez, who once served as Cuba's ambassador to the United Nations. Officials announced no new post for Perez Roque.

Another former youth leader, Otto Rivero Torres, was removed as Cabinet vice president. Rivero Torres had already been dropped from the Council of State last year when Raul Castro became president.

His replacement is hardliner Ramiro Valdez Menendez, who fought alongside Fidel, Raul and Ernesto "Che" Guevara in the revolution that toppled the dictatorship

of Fulgencio Batista in 1959. Longtime Economy Minister Jose Luis Rodriguez was replaced by Internal Commerce Minister Marino Murillo Jorge; Finance Minister Georgina Barreiro Fajardo was replaced by Lina Pedraza Rodriguez of the Communist Party's secretariat; and Labor Minister Alfredo Morales Cartaya was replaced by Vice Minister Margarita Marlene Gonzalez Fernandez.

States urged to improve probation, parole programs

Idaho in top five of states with highest rate of adults in jail

By David Crary Associated Press writer

NEW YORK — The number of offenders on parole and probation across the United States has surged past 5 million, complicating the challenges for fiscally ailing states as they try to curb corrections costs without jeopardizing public safety, according to a new report.

The Pew Center on the States report, released Monday, says the number of people on probation or parole nearly doubled to more than 5 million between 1982 and 2007. Including jail and prison inmates, the total population of the U.S. corrections system now exceeds 7.3 million — one of every 31 U.S. adults, it said.

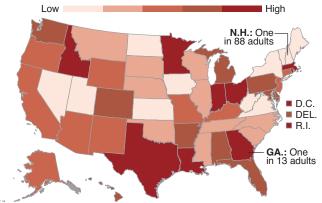
The report also noted huge discrepancies among the states in regard to the total corrections population – one of every 13 adults in Georgia and one of every 18 in Idaho at one end of the scale, one of every 88 in New Hampshire at the other extreme. The racial gap also was stark — one of every 11 black adults is under correctional supervision, one of every 27 Hispanic adults,

one of every 45 white adults. Outside Idaho, incarcera- the Center on the States.

Incarceration rate highest ever

More than one in every 100 adults was confined behind bars in 2007. Researchers believe the rise is not due to crime alone, but includes states' correctional policies

Share of adults under correctional control, 2007



NOTE: Includes offenders in state and federal jail, prison and community supervision based on U.S. Census Population estimates

SOURCE: Pew Center on the States

tion rates in the Pacific Northwest were close to the national average — 1 in 30 in Washington, 1 in 33 in Oregon and 1 in 36 in Alaska.

The report notes that construction of new prisons will be increasingly rare as most states grapple with budget crises. It said improved community-supervision strategies represent one of the most feasible ways for states to limit corrections spending and reduce recidivism.

"Every single one of them should be making smart investments in community

At present, according to the report, prisons consume nearly 90 percent of state corrections spending, even though two-thirds of offenders under supervision are on parole or probation. Costs per year for a prison inmate average nearly \$29,000, while average costs for managing parolees and probationers range from \$1,250 to \$2,750 a year.

Adam Gelb, director of Pew's Public Safety Performance Project, stressed that violent and incorrigible criminals need to be locked corrections that will help up, but contended that them cut costs and improve many prison inmates could outcomes," said Susan be safely overseen in their Urahn, managing director of communities at far lower cost.

"New community supervision strategies and technologies need to be strengthened and expanded, not scaled back," he said. "Cutting them may appear to save a few dollars, but it doesn't. It will fuel the cycle of more crime, more victims, more arrests, more prosecutions, and still more imprisonment."

The five states with the highest rate of adults under correctional supervision were Georgia, Idaho, Texas, Massachusetts and Ohio. Those with lowest rates were New Hampshire, Maine, West Virginia, Utah and North Dakota.

Georgia, although only the ninth most populous state, had more people on probation in 2007 — 435,631 than any other state, according to the report. The state Department of Corrections said the number might be inflated by double-counting of some offenders, but it has previously acknowledged that its probation population is the highest per capita in the country.

Cape Cod boy, 13, accused of killing rival brother

HYANNIS, Mass. (AP) — Like most boys, 13-yearold Mykel Mendes looked up to his big brother, Jordan. The two rode bikes together, did yard work together and hung out together. But when it came to the family business — a major drug ring — Mykel did not want to share, police say.

Mykel, a 7th grader, is now accused of masterminding the slaying of his 16-year-old half-brother so he could take over the drug operation — one police say they inherited from their father, who is in prison for running one of the biggest cocaine rings on Cape Cod.

Jordan was found shot, stabbed 27 times and dumped into a pit, where his body was torched. Another 13-year-old friend and a 20-year-old cousin also are charged with mur-

The killing has shaken the normal quiet of winter on Cape Cod, the summer tourist destination known for its beautiful beaches, salt water taffy and famous residents. Jordan Mendes lived just a few miles from the Kennedy compound in Hyannis Port.

"It's very disturbing," said Debra Dagwan, a Hyannis resident and member of the local school board. "It indicates what drugs can do to people, whether they are involved with drugs or selling them. It's a dangerous life, no matter how you look at it."

Mykel's lawyer, John

Cunha, dismissed claims by authorities that Mykel planned his brother's death to take over his drug business.

Moffett resigning as Freddie Mac CEO

Bv Alan Zibel Associated Press writer

WASHINGTON — The top executive of Freddie Mac is quitting after less than six months on the job as the company continues to hemorrhage from mortgage losses and plans to ask the government for up to \$35 billion in additional aid.

Freddie Mac said Monday that David Moffett will step down as chief executive and leave the company's board of direc-

March 13. Moffett, 57, former vice chairman of US Bancorp, has CEO September,

been since when the

government seized control of the mortgage finance company and its sibling Fannie Mae.

"It's never a positive sign when you see someone leave after six months," said

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Jim Vogel, a debt analyst with FTN Financial in Memphis, Tenn.

Freddie Mac said its board is working with the Federal Housing Finance Agency to appoint a successor to Moffett, who indicated in his resignation letter that he wanted to return to the financial services sec-

But finding a new executive to lead the troubled company, which has had four top executives in six years, could be a challenge for government regulators.

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The March 2009 meeting of the Idaho Crop Inc. Association, Directors will be held via video on Tuesday, March 10 beginning at 1:00 PM. If you would like to participate please call your local Idaho Crop Improvement Office for instructions on participating. /s/Gregory H. Lowry

PUBLISH: November 25, 26 and 27, 2008

AD FOR BIDS

Sealed proposals will be received by the Division of Public Works, State of Idaho, at 502 N 4th St, Boise, Idaho until 2:00 PM, local time on March 12, 2009, for DPW Project 08095, Lighting, Physical Education Building, College of Southem Idaho, Twin Falls, Idaho. Further information, including information regarding Pre-Bid Conference, availability of documents for review and bid bond requirements, is at http://adm.idaho.gov/pubworks/dpwconstprojects.htm or con-tact Innovative Engineering PH: (208) 234-4567

Estimated Cost: \$60,000

Robert Unrau, Senior Project Manager, Division of Public Works

PUBLISH: February 24 and March 3, 2009

SOUTH CENTRAL COMMUNITY ACTION PARTNERSHIP WEATHERIZATION

LEGAL AD

South Central Community Action Partnership (SCCAP) will be accepting sealed material bids for cellulose and fiberglass blown-in insulation; batt fiberglass and duct insulation and vinyl Specifications for material will be available at 550 Washington St. South, Twin Falls, ID. Contact: Randy Wright, (208) 733-9354. All bids must be mailed to P.O. Box 531, or hand delivered to 550 Washington St. South, Twin Falls, ID 83303 by March 20, 2009, 4:00 p.m. MST. Bids received after 4:00 p.m. MST will not be accepted. No bidder may withdraw his bid after the hour set for the opening, which will be March 23, 2009, 10:00 a.m. MST at 550 Washington St. South, Twin Falls, ID. SCCAP reserves the right to split or reject any or all bids, or to accept the bid deemed best for the

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

Loan No. 4739000 T.S. No. ID-08-228645-TD On 5/29/2009, at 10:00:00 AM (recognized local time), at the following location in the County of TWIN FALLS, State of Idaho: In the lobby of Alliance Title & Escrow located at 1411 Falls Ave. East, Suite 1315, Twin Falls ID 83301, Pioneer Lender Trustee Services, LLCan Idaho limited liability company, as Trustee on behalf of Citibank N.A. as Trustee for the MLMI Trust Series 2007-HE2 will sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, for cash, in lawful money of the United States, all payable at the time of sale, the following real property, situated in the County of TWIN FALLS State of Idaho, and described as follows: LOT 9 IN BLOCK 7 OF MEADOWS PHEASANT SUBDIVISION. PHASE 1, TWIN FALLS CO JNTY, IDAHO. RECORDED IN BOOK 20 OF PLATS, PAGE 5. The Trustee has no knowledge of a more particular description of the above referenced real property, but for purposes of compliance with Section 60-113 Idaho Code, the Trustee has been informed that the address of 1205 GOLDEN PHEASANT DR, TWIN FALLS, ID 83301 is sometimes associated with said real property. Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty regarding title, possession or encumbrances to satisfy the obligation secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the Deed of Trust executed by CHARLES LYNN JOLES, JR. AND MELISSA HUSBAND AND WIFE Grantor/Trustor, in which MORTGAGE ELEC-TRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC., AS NOMINEE FOR OWNIT MORTGAGE SOLU-TIONS, INC., is named as Beneficiary and FIRST AMERICAN TITLE COMPANY as Trustee and recorded 11/22/2006 as Instrument No. 2006-029645 in book - , page - of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of TWIN FALLS County, Idaho. Please Note: The above Grantors are named to comply with section 45-1506(4)(A), Idaho Code, No representation is made that they are, or are not, presently responsible for this obligation set forth herein. The Default for which this sale is to be made is the failure to pay when due, under Deed of Trust and Note dated 11/17/2006. The monthly installments of principal, interest, and impounds (if applicable) of \$1,113.12, due per month for the months of 10/1/2008 through 1/5/2009, and all subsequent installments until the date of sale or reinstatement. The principal balance owing as of this date on the obligation secured by said Deed of Trust is \$133,790.83 together with interest thereon at the current rate of 9.2500 per cent (%) per annum from 9/1/2008. All delinquent amounts are now due, together with accruing late charges, and interest, unpaid and accruing taxes, assessments, trustee's fees, attorney's fees, and any amounts advanced to protect the security associated with this foreclosure and that the beneficiary elects to sell or cause the trust property to be sold to satisfy said obligation. If the Trustee is unable to convey fitle for any reason, the successful bidder's sole and exclusive remedy shall be the return of monies paid to the Trustee, and the successful bidder shall have no further recourse. Date: 1/27/2009 By: Pioneer Lender Trustee Services, LLCan Idaho limited liability company, as Trustee Quality Loan Service Corp. 2141 5th Avenue San Diego, CA 92101 as Agent Tara Donzella, Assistant Vice President ***For Sale Information Call: 714-730-2727 or Login to: www.lidelityasap.com If you have previously been discharged through bankruptcy, you may have been released of personal liability for this loan in which case this letter is intended to exercise the note holders rights against the real property only. THIS IS AN ATTEMPT TO COL-LECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OB-TAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PUR-

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PUBLIC NOTICE

ANNUAL MEETING FARMERS ELECTRIC COMPANY Monday March 16, 2009 8:00 PM Wayside Cale, Highway 24, Rupert, Idaho

PUBLISH: March 3 and 10, 2009

NOTICE OF HEARING ON NAME CHANGE Case No.: CV-2009-144

A Petition to change the name of Jordan Davis Sauer, born 7-13-88 in Grass Valley, CA, resid-ing at 511 9th Street, Rupert, has been filed in Minidoka County District Court, Idaho. The name will change to Jordan Davis Meek because I want to take my adopted dads last name. The petitioner's father is living and his address is 1459 Conant Ave., Burley. The petitioner's mother is living and her address is 1459 Conant Ave., Burley, A hearing on the petition is scheduled for 9:00 o'clock AM on April 6, 2009, at the County Courthouse. Objections may be filed by any person who can show the court a good reason against the name change. Date: February 25, 2009.

By: Deputy Clerk

PUBLISH: March 3, 10, 17 and 24, 2009

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

On Thursday, the 7th day of July, 2009, at the hour of 10:30 a.m. of said day at the front entrance of the Twin Falls County Courthouse, County of Twin Falls, State of Idaho, TITLE-FACT, INC., an Idaho corporation, as trustee, will sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, for cash, in lawful money of the United States, all payable at the time of sale, the following described real property, situated in the County of Twin Falls, State of Idaho, and described as follows, to-wit:

PARCEL NO. 1

Township 10 South, Range 16 East, Boise Meridian, Twin Falls County, Idaho Section 7: A parcel of land located in Lot 2, being

more specifically described as follows:

COMMENCING at the West quarter corner of Section 7, a distance of 830.54 feet on a bearing of North 89°57'00" East along the South boundary of said Lot 2, Section 7 to the East boundary of United States Highway 30;

THENCE along this said East boundary of United States Highway 30 a distance of 198.60 feet on a bearing of North 24"21"15" West to the REAL POINT OF BEGINNING:

THENCE from this REAL POINT OF BEGINNING North 8957'00' East 282.00 feet;

THENCE North 0°07'37" West 140.00 feet; THENCE South 89°57'00" West 344.10 feet;

THENCE South 24°21'15" East 151.33 feet to the REAL POINT OF BEGINNING.

PARCEL NO. 2

Township 10 South, Range 16 East, Boise Meridian, Twin Falls County, Idaho Section 7: A parcel of land in Lot 2, being more specifically described as follows:

COMMENCING at the West quarter corner of Section 7, a distance of 830.54 feet on a bearing of North 89"57'00" East to the East boundary of United States Highway 30, said point being the REAL POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE from this REAL POINT OF BEGINNING and along the said East boundary of U.S. High-

way 30 a distance of 198.60 feet on a bearing North 2421 15" West; THENCE a distance of 282.00 feet on a bearing

of North 89°57'00" East; THENCE a distance of 181.00 feet on a bearing of South 0°07'37" East to the South boundary of said Lot 2, Section 7;

THENCE along the said South boundary of Lot 2: PUBLISH; Feb 10, 17, 24 and March 3, 2009 Section 7 a distance of 200.50 feet on a bearing of South 8957'00" West to the REAL POINT OF BEGINNING. Sometimes known as: 2122 East 3950 North,

Filer, Idaho 83328

Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty regarding title, possession or encum-brances to satisfy the obligation secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the deed of trust executed by JUDY A. HOFFMAN, widow, grantor to TITLEFACT, INC., as trustee for the benefit and security of FIRST FEDERAL SAVINGS BANK OF TWIN FALLS recorded June 30, 2006, as Instrument No. 2008-014899, records of Twin Falls County Idaho.

The default for which this sale is to be made is failure to pay:

Monthly payments, collection charges and late charges through January 30, 2009, all in the amount of \$2,291.88; and the unpaid principal balance owing as of January 30, 2009, on the obligation secured by said deed of trust is \$118,989.57, plus interest, late charges and foreclosure costs. DATED: February 6, 2009.

TITLEFACT, INC., Trustee By R. TODD BLASS, Vice-President COLEMAN, RITCHIE & ROBERTSON Attorneys for Trustee Residing at Twin Falls, Idaho

PUBLISH: Feb 17, 24, March 3 and 10, 2009



IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF JEROME MAGISTRATE DIVISION

Case No. CV 2009-0157 NOTICE TO CREDITORS In the Matter of the Estate of, JANE C. SIREN,

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed Personal Representative of the above-named estate. All persons having claims against the said deceased are required to present their claims within four (4) months after the date of the first publication of this notice or said claims will be forever barred. Claims must be presented to the firm of Coleman, Ritchie & Robertson, 156 2nd Avenue West, P. O. Box 525, Twin Falls, Idaho 83303-0525, and filed with the Court.

DATED this 18th day of February, 2009. CHARLES JENSEN

PUBLISH: Feb 24, March 3 and 10, 2009

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

T.S. No.: ID-08-227230-TD Loan No.: 20-0051-0274557 On 5/29/2009, at 11:00 AM (recog-nized local time), at the following location in the County of TWIN FALLS, State of Idaho: At the entrance to First American Title Company located at 260 3rd Avenue North, Twin Falls, ID 83301, First American Title Insurance Company, as Trustee, on behalf of OtiFinancial, Inc. by CitiFinancial Mortgage Company, Inc. will sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, for cash, in lawful money of the United States, all payable at the time of sale, the following real property, situated in the County of TWIN FALLS, State of Idaho, and described as follows: LOT 19 BLOCK 3 SOUTH PARK ADDITION, TWIN FALLS COUNTY IDAHO ACCORDING TO THE OFFICIAL PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN BOOK 2 OF PLATS, PAGE 18, RECORDS OF TWIN FALLS COUNTY, IDAHO, The Trustee has no knowledge of a more particular description of the above referenced real property, but for purposes of compliance with Section 60-113 Idaho Code, the Trustee has been informed that the address of 163 RAMAGE ST, TWIN FALLS, ID 83301 is sometimes associated with said real property. Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty regarding title, possession or encumbrances to satisfy the obligation secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the Deed of Trust executed by ALFREDO FLORES, A MARRIED MAN DEAL-ING WITH SOLE AND SEPARATE PROPER-TY, as Grantor/Trustor, in which CitiFinancial, Inc. is named as Beneficiary and FIRST AMERI-CAN TITLE NATIONAL as Trustee and recorded 7/15/2006, as Instrument No. 2008-015964 in book - , page - of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of TWIN FALLS County, Idaho. Please Note: The above Grantors are named to comply with section 45-1506(4)(A), Idaho Code. No representation is made that they are, or are not, presently responsible for this obligation set forth herein. The Default for which this sale is to he made is the failure to pay when due, under Deed of Trust and Note dated 7/8/2008. The monthly installments of principal interest and impounds (if applicable) of \$962.09 due month for the months of 8/15/2008 through 1/6/2009, and all subsequent installments until the date of sale or reinstatement. The principal balance owing as of this date on the obligation. secured by said Deed of Trust is \$93,142.81 together with interest thereon at the current rate of 12.0600 per cent (%) per annum from 7/15/2008. All delinquent amounts are now due, together with accruing late charges, and interest, unpaid and accruing taxes, assessments, trustee's fees, attorney's fees, and any amounts advanced to protect the security associated with this foreclosure and that the beneficiary elects to sell or cause the trust property to be sold to satisty said obligation. If the Trustee is unable to convey title for any reason, the successful bidder's sole and exclusive remedy shall be the return of monies paid to the Trustee, and the successful bidder shall have no further recourse. Dated: 1/27/2009 By: First American. Title Insurance Company, as Trustee Quality Loan Service Corp. 2141 5th Avenue San Diego, CA 92101, as Agent By: Tara Donzella, Assistant Vice President ***For Sale Information Call: 714-730-2727 or Login to: www.fidelityasap.com If you have previously been discharged through bankruptcy, you may have been released of personal liability for this loan in which case this letter is intended to exercise the note holder's rights against the real property only. This is an attempt to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose. As required by law, you are hereby notified that a negative credit report reflecting on your credit record may be submitted to a credit report agency if you fail to fulfill the terms of your credit obligations. ASAP# 2983098





IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF GOODING

Case No. CV-2008-0000393 NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE

JEAN E. RANKIN, individually, and as Trustee of the JEAN E. RANKIN TRUST.

Plaintiff

CHRIS E. ROBERTS, Defendant.

Under and by virtue of a Writ of Execution issued on the 23" day of January, 2009, out of and under the seal of the above-entitled Court on an Amended Foreign Judgment in said Court in the above-entitled action on the 5th day of December, 2008 in favor of the above-named Plaintiff; whereas on the 18th day of November, 2008, the Plaintiff, Jean E. Rankin. individually, and as Trustee of the Jean E. Rankin Trust, by virtue of the entry of an Amended Judgment rendered by the Honorable James L. Shumate, District Judge of the State of Utah in the District Court of the Fifth Judicial District of the State of Utah, in and for the County of Washington, recovered an Amended Judgment in Case No. 070503034 in said Court against the Defendant, Chris E. Roberts; together with costs and disbursements at the date of said Judgments, and accruing costs, I am commanded and required to proceed to notice for sale and to sell at public auction the property described in said Writ of Execution and to apply the proceeds of such sale to the satisfaction of said Judgments with interest thereon and my fees and costs.

The property directed to be sold is situate in Gooding County, State of ldaho, and is described as follows, to-wit:

PARCEL NO. 1:

Township 7 South, Range 13 East of the Boise Meridian, Gooding County, Idaho

Section 2: A parcel of land located in the E½SE¾ more particularly described as follows: COMMENCING at the Southeast corner of said

THENCE North 00"06"13" West along the East boundary of the SE¼ of Section 2 for a distance of 1,318.47 feet to the Northeast corner of the SEMSEM of Section 2;

THENCE North 89°53'32" West along the North boundary of the SE¼SE¼ of Section 2 for a distance of 946.88 feet to the center of an irrigation ditch and being the TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING;

THENCE along the center of the irrigation ditch on the following courses:

South 11"44'08" East 18.91 feet; South 02°07'33" West 141.60 feet;

South 02"36'53" East 36.87 feet;

South 04°39'53" East 11.19 feet to a point on a line that is parallel with and 208.0 feet South of the North boundary of the SE¼SE¼ of Section 2;

THENCE leaving the center of the irrigation lateral and along the line that is parallel with and 208.0 feet South of the North boundary of the SENSEN of Section 2 on a bearing of North 89°53'32" West for a distance of 313.18 feet to a point on the arc of a curve of the Easterly right-of-way boundary of Highway U.S. 30;

THENCE Northwesterly along the arc of the curve left for a distance of 163.03 feet, said arc having a radius of 3,869.72 feet and a long chord bearing and distance of North 07°32'36" West 163.02 feet:

THENCE along an existing fence line on the following courses North 00°33'52' West 87.58 feet;

North 00°45'18" West 161.61 feet;

THENCE leaving the fence line and parallel with the North boundary of the SE¼SE¼ of Section 2 on a bearing of South 89°53'32" East for a distance of 308.39 feet to a point in the center of an irrigation ditch;

THENCE along the center of the irrigation ditch on the following courses: South 04"24'37" West 22:00 feet; South 03"49'32" East 57:65 feet;

South 11"55'36" East 66.92 feet,

South 11"44'08" East 59,10 feet to the TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING.

EXCEPTING an eight-foot-wide strip along the Southerty boundary as disclosed in Quitclaim Deed by and between Larry J. Thomas and Elizabeth Thomas, husband and wife, and Craig J. Laughlin, an unmar-ried man, dated December 19, 2007, recorded December 26, 2007, as Instrument No. 224660, Gooding County records.

52'36" East 541.08 feet:

An easement for the purpose of ingress and egress for the benefit of Parcel No. 1 as created in Warranty Deed dated January 3, 1997, recorded January 3, 1997, as instrument No. 169175, records of Gooding County Idaho; said easement being on, over and across an existing 15.0-foot-wide access road that commences at the Easterly right-of-way boundary of Highway U.S. 30 and traverses adjacent to and on the Westerly side of the Westerly boundary of the before described parcel.

Township 7 South, Range 13 East of the Boise Meridian, Gooding County, Idaho

Section 1: Part of the S\SE\ more particularly described as follows: COMMENCING at the Southwest corner of said \$1/sSE14:

THENCE Northerly along the Westerly boundary of said S1/sSE1/4 North

0°06'17" West 714.61 feet to the TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE continuing Northerly along said Westerly boundary North 0°06'17' West 605.00 feet to the Northwest corner of said S%SE% THENCE Easterly along the Northerly boundary of said S½SE¼ South 89°

THENCE Southerly parallel with the Westerly boundary of said S½SE¼ South 89°52'36" East 541.08 feet;

THENCE Southerly parallel with the Westerly boundary of said S%SE% South 0°06'17" East 605.00 feet;

THENCE Westerly parallel with the Northerly boundary of said S%SE% North 89"52"36" West 541.08 feet to the TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING. PARCEL NO. 4:

The East 160 feet of Reserved Block 66, HAGERMAN TOWNSITE, Gooding County, Idaho.

Together with any tenements, hereditaments, improvements, structures. buildings, or appurtenances appertaining thereto.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that on the 9" day of March, 2009, at the hour of 10:00 a'clock AM in front of the front door of the Gooding County Courthouse in Gooding, Idaho, I will attend, offer and sell at public auction all or so much of the above-described property thus directed to be sold as may be necessary to raise sufficient funds to pay and satisfy the Judgment as set out in said Writ of Execution to the highest bidder therefor in lawful money

DATED this 11* day of February, 2009. Shaun Gough, Sherif Gooding County, Idaho /s/Sheriff

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By Bil Keane

Readers' ideas turn restless dreams into restful slumber

DEAR ABBY: I would like to comment on the letter from *Once a Mechanic ... in Arizona" (Dec. 24), who still dreams about his job even though he is now retired, I once worked in the customer service department of a major retailer. During one Christmas season, a recurring dream would interrupt my sleep each night. In my dream, my bedroom door would open and a stream of customers would file in and line up next to my bed, their arms loaded down with purchases or returns.

After many frustrating nights of restless sleep, I finally figured out a solution. I envisioned a flashing neon sign on my headboard that read: "Lane Closed." The following night when the customers began filing in, I took control. I sat up and pointed to the flashing sign above my bed. The customers turned around, walked out the door, and my sleep wasn't disturbed again.

"Mechanic" needs to acknowledge that it is only a dream and direct it on a different path, as you suggested, by thinking about his hobbies or his family. Dreams are a part of our subconscious, but that doesn't mean we can't control their



DEAR Abby Jeanne **Phillips**

- DREAM WEAVER IN MANITOWOC, WIS.

DEAR DREAM WEAVER: Thank you for sharing your solution for achieving peaceful slumber. Allow me to offer another: Each night before I fall asleep, I say my prayers and count my blessings, one by one. "Sweet dreams are made of these ...'

Read on:

DEAR ABBY: A rich and blessed retirement sounds wonderful. If the dreams of "Mechanic's" lifelong trade persist and he finds he really misses working, there is a way to honor that gift while still enjoying his retirement. He should check around to see if there are any mentoring programs in his area offered through social services. I'm sure many teens and young men would appreciate knowing someone with his skills.

IN SPRING, TEXAS DEAR ABBY: I have a master's

degree in physics and have been known to solve calculus problems in my dreams, "Mechanic" should understand he is not alone, and probably was very good at his job. – A.J.

IN LITTLETON, COLO.

DEAR ABBY: I used to work in several demanding areas at a manufacturing plant, and I would often dream about being unable to keep up with production. Finally, I learned to relax and say, "Let the night shift do it!" Then I would be able to move on to a better dream. Now that I'm retired, I still dream occasionally about going back but only to visit, never to work. - DAYDREAMER

OLIVET, MICH.

ABBY: DEAR Because "Mechanic" enjoys doing transmission repairs even though he is retired, perhaps he could make some sort of arrangement to offer his expertise to low-income families who have cars in need of repairs. It would be a way of helping people with a need while doing what he did for so long and misses.

- A FELLOW ARIZONAN

IF MARCH 3 IS YOUR BIRTH-DAY: You might be considered to be a smooth operator in the year ahead, especially if you take advantage of helpful opportunities that knock on your door in late April and early May. You have worked incredibly hard to get where you are, so you deserve the rewards and opportunities that arrive at this time. Good advice might give you a chance to take a better direction. Kick back, take a vacation and take time to smell the roses. Your biggest challenges might occur in July when you must keep your nose faithfully focused on the grindstone, and shouldn't take a vacation or ignore

pressing obligations. ARIES (March 21-April 19): Follow a job through to the best of your ability. Be attentive to the rules and painstaking about details to avoid criticism or censure. Pleasant times with friends and loved ones are ahead tonight.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Your desires might be thwarted by someone who uses a hard edge in a situation that begs for sensitivity. Try not to be judgmental or upset by a temporary frustration. Things will improve by tomorrow.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Mold circumstances or be molded by them. Use your powers of per-

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Captain and Mrs. Arthur H. Keller

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suasion to convince everyone to do the right thing. Fulfill your obligations even if it means divulging confidential information.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Two wrongs never make a right. It isn't that you are trying to extract retribution, but it might be a case of feeling that if one person does it, you can do it, too. Remain ethical, even in the face of temptation.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): The only way to cure novice status is to gain experience. If you are feeling somewhat inadequate for a few hours today find ways to improve your confidence. Test your knowledge of what really counts.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): When you set the bar too high, sometimes you have to build steps and those become a wall. You can't keep on rejecting people and things because they don't meet your highest expectations.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Don't debate the intangible. The only things you can depend upon today are the rules and history. Sometimes it is best to go along with the crowd, bow out of a confrontation and kowtow to the sta-

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Not too hot and not too cold. Your diplomatic efforts can become a two-edged sword. You could rock the boat by being politically correct but, at the same time, insensitive to the nuances of a situation.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): You can't hold on to youth, but you can find the light that guided you and brought you joy when you were a child. That sense of endless wonder will keep psychic batteries charged.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Keep your cool. Don't take a passing reprimand too seriously, as there might be a stiff price to pay for rebellion or retorts. Partners may be swift to point out your imperfections and smallest errors.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Put the current tantalizing possibility on the shelf. If you pursue a budding relationship under these stars, that attractive someone might decide it is best to be just friends. Wait for better timing.

PISCES (Feb. 19-Mar. 20); Good fences make good neighbors. At the same time you want to be able to reach across and extend a hand in friendship. Never build a wall around yourself that keeps the key people from knowing you.

TODAY IN HISTORY

days left in the year. Today's Highlight in History: On March 3, 1931, President the Philippine capital of Manila Herbert Hoover signed a measure from Japanese forces during World

> In 1959, the United States launched the Pioneer 4 spacecraft, which flew by the moon. Comedian Lou Costello died of a heart attack in East Los Angeles. Calif., three days before his 53rd

> In 1969, Apollo 9 blasted off from Cape Kennedy, Fla., on a mission

to test the lunar module. In 1974, a Turkish Airlines DC-10 crashed shortly after takeoff from Orly Airport in Paris, killing all 346 people on board.

In 1991, motorist Rodney King was severely beaten by Los Angeles police officers in a scene captured on amateur video. Twenty-five people were killed when a United Airlines Boeing 737-200 crashed while approaching the Colorado Springs, Colo., airport.

Ten years ago: The Supreme Court ruled that public schools had to finance one-on-one nursing

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care for some disabled students throughout the school day. Monica Lewinsky, in an ABC interview timed to coincide with the publication of her book, recounted for Barbara Walters some of the fondest, as well as most painful, aspects of her relationship with President

Bill Clinton. Five years ago: Multnomah County, Ore., began issuing samesex marriage licenses. The Walt Disney Co.'s board voted to strip Michael Eisner of his chairman's post while retaining him as CEO.

One year ago: Democrat Barack Obama said his campaign had never given Canada back-channel assurances that his harsh words about the North American Free Trade Agreement were for political show, despite a Canadian memo indicating otherwise. A gunman opened fire inside a Wendy's restaurant in West Palm Beach, Fla., killing a paramedic who'd gone back to fetch a missing meal toy for his child; the gunman wounded five others before turning the gun on himself. Operatic tenor Giuseppe Di Stefano died in

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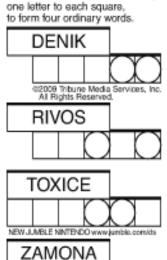
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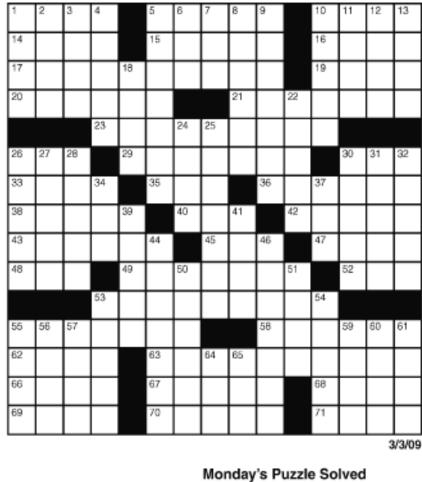
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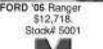
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defer drawing trumps in order to

make the necessary plays in the

West leads the club queen. If you

are to make this hand, West must

have the spade ace. If he does,

spade ace, you may have to lead

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not even think of drawing trumps

first. You need to return to your

hand with a trump if West ducks

the first spade. Assume he does.

Now draw trumps and lead a sec-

ond spade. If East has the spade

ace, the hand is now over ... for

and lead a spade to the king, it will

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3 2 ▼ A K Q J 10 9

Dealer: South

The bidding:

South West North East Pass 1 NT Pass All pass Pass

Opening lead: Club queen

♠ KQ54 3

West South

Pass 2 🛡 Pass

ANSWER: A jump to three spades would be shapely and weak here, since a cue-bid of three hearts would show the limit raise. But this hand is too good even for the latter treatment. The choice is to drive to four spades, or, my preference, a jump cue-bid of four hearts, showing short hearts and a high-card raise to four spades. If partner wants to look for slam, you will not be dis-

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CSI men, women ready for Region 18 tourney

By Mike Christensen Times-News writer

Let the madness begin.

March is here and with it comes tournament time for the College of Southern Idaho men's and women's basketball teams.

The Region 18 tournaments will be held Thursday through Saturday in Coeur straight and three of its last head coach Steve Gosar. d'Alene. Both the CSI men and women have first-round byes and will open play on Friday afternoon.

The Golden Eagle men (22-8, 9-6 Scenic West Athletic Conference) are the No. 3 seed and will face secondseeded Salt Lake Community College, which has lost two four.

The Bruins (23-6, 10-5 SWAC), took two of three games from CSI this season, but all three were close going down the wire and Friday's 3 p.m. (MST) contest should be a battle.

"It all comes down to a two-game season," said CSI

The winner of Thursday's game between the College of Eastern Utah (23-6, 9-6) and Snow College (18-12, 5-10) will advance to face topseeded North Idaho College (27-3, 12-3) in Friday's late

The champion on the men's side will travel to Arizona to face the Region I winner on Thursday's March 10 in Scottsdale with a trip the NJCAA national tournament in Hutchinson, Kan., on the line.

On the women's side, CSI dominated the regular-season SWAC campaign, going 14-1 in league play and 25-4 overall. The Golden Eagles the winner

Community College vs. College of Eastern Utah game in a 1 p.m. contest on Friday. Both teams are 16-14 overall.

See Sports 2

CSI head coach Randy Rogers was pleased to have the tournament land in Coeur d'Alene, grateful to

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Boise St. cruises past N.M. State

Broncos move to third in WAC with win

The Associated Press

LAS CRUCES, N.M. — Boise State took the upper hand on third place in the Western Athletic Conference with a 104-92 victory over New Mexico State Monday night.

Boise State (18-10, 8-6) swept the Aggies (15-14, 8-7) and leapfrogged them into third a before the Tournament in Reno, Nev.

Jamar Green had a career-high 19 points as one of six Boise players in double figures, but it was Broncos senior forward Mark Sanchez who was too much for the Aggies.

Sanchez and the Broncos

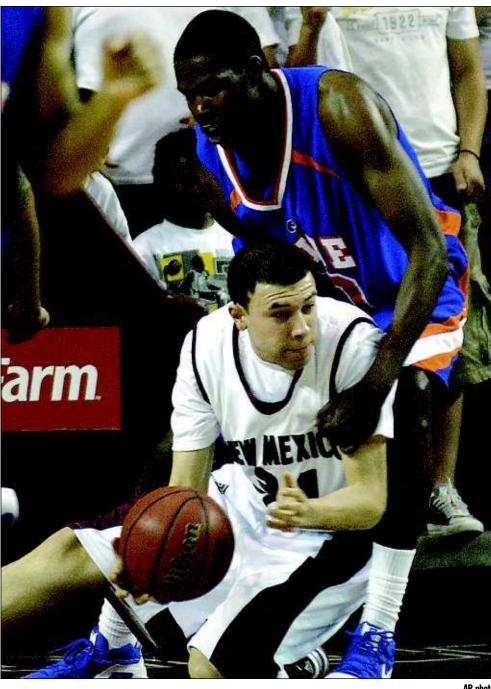
big men helped put Boise State up 80-64 with 8:22 left to

Sanchez was limited to five minutes in the first half with foul trouble, but he scored nine of his 13 points during a stretch where the Broncos outscored NMSU 23-14 during a seven-minute stretch early in the second half.

NMSU got to within seven with 1:36 to play, but it was as close as the Aggies would come, losing their second straight.

Boise State outrebounded NMSU 36-34 and 17-13 on the offensive glass, scoring 44 points in the paint and 17 secondchance points.

Jahmar Young had 24 points to lead the Aggies and Jonathan Gibson added 21.



AP photo

possession Monday during a Western Athletic Conference game in Las Cruces, N.M.

New Mexico State's Gordo Castillo keeps the ball in play as Boise State's Sean Imadiyi attempts to gain

Chiefs not talking about deal for Cassel, Vrabel

KANSAS CITY, Mo. Scott Pioli pulled off a big deal in his first major act as Kansas City's general manager, landing quarterback Matt Cassel and linebacker Mike Vrabel for a secondround draft pick.

Not a package of draft picks, not the secondrounder and another player, not even with cash thrown in. A potentially franchisebuilding quarterback and a starting linebacker for one second-round draft pick. That's it.

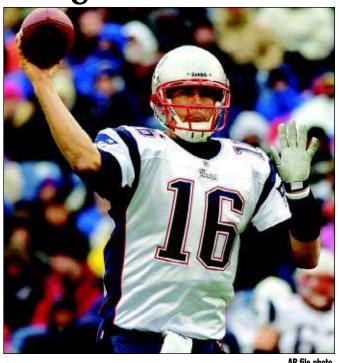
The obvious question is, how did he get so much for so little?

Sadly, there's still no answer.

Two days after the trade with New England was announced, the Chiefs were again mum on what seems like a monumentally lopsided deal.

Pioli? Unavailable. Coach Todd Haley? Evasive. Cassel? On speaker phone for his introduction to the Kansas City media. Vrabel? Also not

"I won't get into specifics of that. I'm glad we have



AP file photo

New England Patriots quarterback Matt Cassel throws a pass during the first half of a game against the Buffalo Bills at Ralph Wilson Stadium in Orchard Park, N.Y., on Dec. 28, 2008. The Kansas City Chiefs have acquired quarterback Matt Cassel and linebacker Mike Vrabel from the New England Patriots in a trade for their second-round

both players on the team," Haley said Monday.

That's it. No discussion of

how the trade came together, not even a "we got a good deal." It was calculated, tidy, somewhat mysterious. In other words, very Patriots-

Of course, that's no surprise. As vice president of player personnel in New England, Pioli helped turn the Patriots into a dynasty, gathered all the pieces for coach Bill Belichick to win three Super Bowls.

Those ties to New England clearly played some role in the trade to get Cassel and Vrabel. How much? It's hard to tell since no one's talking about the deal.

Cassel was talking, but not in person and not about specifics of the trade. Calling in from somewhere in Kansas City, he was thrilled at the chance to be the man after eight years of being the man behind the man.

On paper, the Chiefs clearly got the better end of the

Cassel, after three years as Tom Brady's backup and five more on the bench at Southern California, proved to be a more-than capable starter, leading the Patriots

See CHIEFS, Sports 2

Search narrows for NFL players off Fla. Gulf Coast

The Associated Press

CLEARWATER, Fla. — The Coast Guard on Monday narrowed the search area for two NFL players and a third man missing since a weekend fishing trip off the Florida Gulf Coast after crews rescued a fourth man clinging to their capsized boat.

Survivor Nick Schuyler, a former University of South Florida player, told rescuers that the boat the four good friends were aboard was anchored when it flipped Saturday evening in rough seas, said Coast Guard Capt. Timothy M. Close. Schuyler, who was wearing a life vest, had been hanging onto the hull that a Coast Guard cutter discovered 35 miles off Clearwater.

The 21-foot boat belongs to Oakland Raiders linebacker Marquis Cooper, who, along with free-agent defensive lineman Corey Smith and former South Florida player William Bleakley, were missing.

The Coast Guard wouldn't speculate on the men's chances of survival, but Petty Officer Robert Simpson said their size and good health were advantaged. Cooper, 26. is 6-foot-3, 230 pounds, and the 29-year-old Smith is 6foot-2, 250 pounds. The 25year-old Bleakley had played

'With all of these men being past, present football players, they do have a much larger physique than a lot of people," he said. "So their odds are going to be definitely in their favor."

Their families have said they had life vests and flares aboard.

Schuyler was conscious but appeared weak as he was being taken off a helicopter at Tampa General Hospital and placed on a stretcher. His father said his son was in serious but stable condition and that he "looks OK."

"He's got some cuts and bruises. He's dehydrated," said Stuart Schuyler.

Schuyler's mother, Marsha Schuyler, said her son told her that he survived by thinking about how he didn't want her to go to his funeral.

The family's joy at him being found alive was tempered by the search for his friends.

"We still have three men missing, and we're not going to talk too much until we find these guys," said his father, Stuart Schuyler. "We're all praying for them. These guys

are all very close friends."

Searchers had previously covered 16,000 square miles of ocean but the area being searched was much smaller since they found Schuyler, Close said.

Smith's family planned to drive to Florida from Richmond, Va., Tuesday, after the snowy weather in the East made getting a flight impossible, said Yolanda Newbill, one of Smith's sisters. She said they have been in contact with the Coast Guard every few hours since the search began.

"We have never lost hope," Newbill said. "We have total faith that (he) will be coming home."

Ray Sanchez of Tampa, a cousin of Cooper, said the family was confident the Coast Guard would find

"My cousin's a powerful swimmer," he said.

James Allen, a marine safety consultant who once worked search and rescue operations with the Coast Guard, said the chances of finding survivors diminish after people have been in the water three days.

Survivors have been found who were floating for days, but he added "you just can't swim forever."

After 18 hours in 64-degree water, hypothermia will set in, Coast Guard Petty Officer 2nd Class James Harless said.

The four men left Clearwater Pass early Saturday in calm weather,

but heavy winds picked up through the day and the seas got heavy, with waves of 7 feet and higher, peaking at 15 feet on Sunday. A relative alerted the Coast Guard early Sunday after the men did not return as expected. The Coast Guard said it did not receive a distress signal. The men were aboard an

Everglades-manufactured boat, which is built with compressed foam encased in Fiberglas, making it difficult to sink. The weather had improved, with waves subsiding to 6 to 8 feet, National Weather Service meteorologist Todd Barron said.

However, Bob Zales, president of National Association of Charter Boat Operators, said waves that high can capsize a boat the size of Cooper's.

"A boat that size, personally, I wouldn't get out any farther than 20 or 30 miles offshore," Zales said. "But I see people all the time 40, 50 miles offshore."



Coming Wednesday

Boys state basketball preview section · Twin Falls aims to regain 2006 championship form

- · Jerome among favorites for Class 4A crown · A preview look all 10 area teams going to state
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(15-9), 6:15 p.m. Game 4: Capital (16-7) vs. Madison (15-9), 8 p.m.

Friday, March 6 Game 5: Loser 1 vs. Loser 2, 1:15

Game 6: Loser 3 vs. Loser 4, 3 p.m. **Game 7:** Winner 1 vs. Winner 2, 6:15 p.m.

Game 8: Winner 3 vs. Winner 4, 8

Saturday, March 7 At Columbia HS, Nampa Consolation: Winner 5 vs. Winner 6,

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Class 4A At Borah HS, Boise Thursday, March 5

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Game 8: Winner 3 vs. Winner 4, 8 p.m.

Saturday, March 7 Consolation: Winner 5 vs. Winner 6,

Third-place: Loser 7 vs. Loser 8, 11

At the Idaho Center Championship: Winner 7 vs. Winner

Class 3A At Meridian HS Thursday, March 5

Game 1: Fruitland (20-2) vs. Snake River (14-8), 1:15 p.m. Game 2: Sugar-Salem (22-3) vs. St. Maries (17-4), 3 p.m. Game 3: Kimberly (16-5) vs. Shelley (14-11), 6:15 p.m. Game 4: Priest River (18-1) vs. Filer (16-7), 8 p.m.

Friday, March 6 Game 5: Loser 1 vs. Loser 2, 1:15

Game 6: Loser 3 vs. Loser 4, 3 p.m. Game 7: Winner 1 vs. Winner 2, 6:15

Game 8: Winner 3 vs. Winner 4, 8

Saturday, March 7 Consolation: Winner 5 vs. Winner 6, 9:15 a.m.

Third-place: Loser 7 vs. Loser 8, 11

At the Idaho Center Championship: Winner 7 vs. Winner

Class 2A At Capital HS, Boise Thursday, March 5

Game 1: Melba (15-7) vs. West Side (11-10), 1:15 p.m. Game 2: Grangeville (14-7) vs. Aberdeen (19-5), 3 p.m. Game 3: Glenns Ferry (19-6) vs. Cole Valley (12-12), 6:15 p.m. Game 4: Firth (19-4) vs. Kamiah (17-

Game 5: Loser 1 vs. Loser 2, 1:15

7), 8 p.m.

Game 6: Loser 3 vs. Loser 4, 3 p.m. Game 7: Winner 1 vs. Winner 2, 6:15 p.m.

Game 8: Winner 3 vs. Winner 4, 8

Saturday, March 7 Consolation: Winner 5 vs. Winner 6, 9·15 a m Third-place: Loser 7 vs. Loser 8, 11

At the Idaho Center Championship: Winner 7 vs. Winner 8, 1:40 p.m.

Class 1A Division I At Vallivue HS, Caldwell Thursday, March 5

Game 1: Wallace (15-7) vs. Hagerman (21-4), 1:15 p.m. Game 2: Cascade (16-7) vs. Prairie (17-6), 3 p.m. Game 3: Genesee (22-0) vs. Castleford (12-12), 6:15 p.m.

Game 4: Sho-Ban (18-4) vs. Wilder (20-3), 8 p.m.

Friday, March 6 **Game 5:** Loser 1 vs. Loser 2, 1:15

Game 6: Loser 3 vs. Loser 4. 3 p.m. Game 7: Winner 1 vs. Winner 2, 6:15

p.m. Game 8: Winner 3 vs. Winner 4, 8 p.m.

Saturday, March 7 Consolation: Winner 5 vs. Winner 6, 9:15 a.m.

Third-place: Loser 7 vs. Loser 8, 11

At the Idaho Center Championship: Winner 7 vs. Winner

Class 1A Division II At Caldwell HS Thursday, March 5

Game 1: Mackay (15-6) vs. Summit Academy (17-10), 1:15 p.m. Game 2: Richfield (19-3) vs. Clark County (10-10), 3 p.m. Game 3: Garden Valley (19-3) vs. Dietrich (16-7), 6:15 p.m. Game 4: Nezperce (13-10) vs. Carey

Friday, March 6 Game 5: Winner 1 vs. Winner 2, 1:15

(19-5), 8 p.m.

Game 6: Winner 3 vs. Winner 4, 3 Game 7: Loser 1 vs. Loser 2, 6:15

Game 8: Loser 3 vs. Loser 4, 8 p.m.

Saturday, March 7 Consolation: Winner 7 vs. Winner 8, Third-place: Loser 5 vs. Loser 6, 11

At the Idaho Center Championship: Winner 5 vs. Winner 6. 9:30 a.m.

New Orleans Hornets sting 76ers

PHILADELPHIA — David West was big again for New Orleans, scoring 30 points with 10 rebounds to lead the Hornets to their fifth straight 98-91 win, over the Philadelphia 76ers on Monday night.

West was chosen the Western Conference player of the week only hours earlier on the strength of his 28.5 points and 10.5 rebounds in four Hornets' victories. The new week brought more of the same stellar production. West scored the Hornets' first 12 points as they raced to a 13-point lead. New Orleans is on a season-high winning streak.

Led by West, the Hornets won for the seventh time in nine games since the All-Star break.

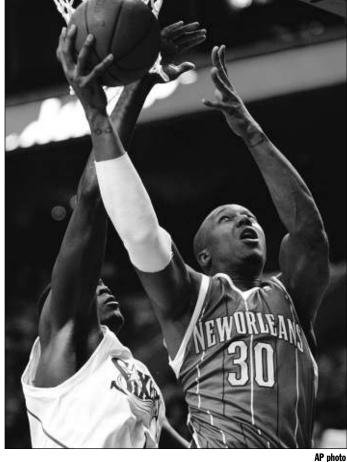
Chris Paul bounced back from a two-point first half to finish with 16 points and 12

The Sixers lost for the sixth time in eight games since the All-Star break and continue to slide down the Eastern Conference standings. Their 14-4 run last month had them in the hunt for the fourth seed and now they're closer to eighth.

Andre Iguodala scored 30 points and Andre Miller had 28 for Philadelphia.

HAWKS 98, WIZARDS 89

WASHINGTON — Marvin Williams scored 28 points, and the Hawks completed a season sweep of the Wizards. Al Horford added 16 points, and Joe Johnson had 16 points and 13 rebounds for the Hawks, who broke open a tie game with a 20-6 run that started late in the third quarter and went well into the fourth.



New Orleans Hornets forward David West, right, makes a layup while trailed by Philadelphia 76ers center Samuel Dalembert Monday during the first half of their game in Philadelphia.

The Hawks went 4-0 against the Wizards, sweeping the series for the first time since winning all four during the 1997-98 season. Atlanta was in need of a slump-busting win, having lost five of seven after Sunday night's one-point loss to the Cleveland Cavaliers.

Antawn Jamison scored 23 points for the Wizards, who were more short-handed than usual when Caron Butler was scratched with tightness in his left hamstring. Washington fell to 013 against the Southeast Division, just three games away from becoming the first NBA team to go winless within its division.

THUNDER 96. MAVERICKS 87

OKLAHOMA CITY -Nenad Krstic scored a season-high 26 points, rookie Russell Westbrook added 17 as part of his first career triple double, and the undermanned Thunder beat Dallas despite playing without their two leading scorers.

Kevin Durant (sprained

ers to spark a 12-0 run that

erased what seemed like a comfortable lead midway through the final period. And James sealed it with 42.7 seconds left, blowing past Jamario Moon for a fierce right-handed slam to put the

Cavs up 100-95.

Conference.

minutes.

Zydrunas Ilgauskas scored 12 points and had 15 rebounds for Cleveland, which moved a full game ahead of idle Boston for the top spot in the Eastern

ankle) and Jeff Green (back

spasms) were both out, but

the Thunder got Krstic's

biggest scoring outing since

December 2006. Westbrook

had the franchise's first

triple-double since an offsea-

son move from Seattle with

Dirk Nowitzki led Dallas'

charge back from a 23-point

deficit, and his 3-pointer

from the right wing got the

Mavericks back within 88-84

Those were the last of his

28 points, and Dallas didn't

CAVALIERS 107, HEAT 100

MIAMI — LeBron James scored 42 points, Mo

Williams got 17 of his 30 in

the fourth quarter, and the

Cavaliers rallied from an 11-

point deficit in the final min-

Dwyane Wade had 41

points, nine assists and seven

rebounds for Miami, strongly

following up his 46-point

effort two nights earlier

against the New York Knicks,

when the Heat rallied from 15

points down in the last 9

going with two huge 3-point-

Williams got the comeback

score again for 4 minutes.

with 4:13 to play.

10 rebounds and 10 assists.

— The Associated Press

Wang makes spring debut, tests foot

The Associated Press

To Yankees manager Joe Girardi, Chien-Ming Wang's footwork was right on target. So were his pitches.

Wang made his first appearance since partially tearing a tendon in his foot running the bases against Houston in June, pitching two scoreless innings for the Yankees in a 5-5 tie with the Astros on Monday.

"I think when you have an injury like that, you watch how they push off and he looked the same as before he got hurt," Girardi said in Kissimmee, Fla. "That means he's comfortable with the way he feels. If he's comfortable with the way he feels, we're obviously a lot more comfortable."

He threw 23 pitches, 12 for strikes, and allowed two singles, which both came on his trademark pitch, the sinker.

Wang's foot was tested when he chased down a bunt in front of home plate and when he ran to cover the base on a groundball to the first baseman.

"I feel good," Wang said. "Nothing wrong."

Wang added he felt "about the same" as he has in previous seasons, including when he won 19 games in both 2006 and 2007.

Wang fared a lot better than Astros starter Mike Hampton. Hampton allowed four

runs and six hits in two innings. He gave up extrabase hits to Melky Cabrera and Angel Berroa, and didn't work a scheduled third inning because of a high pitch count.

On Tuesday, the Yankees are scheduled to face their captain, Derek Jeter, when they play Team USA in a Baseball Classic World warmup at George M. Steinbrenner Field.

"We're going to drill him," Yankees catcher Jorge Posada ioked. "It's the first time we've played against each other. It will be fun."

Angels ace John Lackey made his spring debut, too, working two innings of hitless ball in the Los Angeles' 12-3 victory over the Colorado Rockies at Tuscon, Ariz.

"The arm felt great," Lackey said. "I didn't throw the ball inside for strikes like I needed to, but other than that, it was a pretty good place to start."

The Angels ace retired all six batters he faced, with one strikeout.

Last spring, Lackey strained a triceps and missed the first six weeks of the regular season. He said he spent extra time on an exercise program to strengthen his elbow and shoulder as a preventative measure.

going back to last spring," Lackey said.

In other news:

this spring training.

ule after rupturing his left Not only did he throw all his dropped his arm angle down and threw sidearm to test the injury.

leaving pitching coach Don Cooper saying, "Hey, we could plug him tomorrow. But we're not going to do that."

Colon is coming off offseason surgery to clean some bone chips up in his right

ahead.'

DeJesus Jr., a shortstop, broke his right leg sliding into home plate during a B game. DeJesus, the organization's minor league player of the year for 2008, is likely done for the season. At Jupiter, Fla., Alex

Top Dodgers prospect Ivan

Rodriguez reported to the Dominican Republic team and took part in its first workout in preparation for the World Baseball Classic. The practice came one day after Rodriguez met for two hours with Major League Baseball officials about his positive drug tests in 2001-03 while with the Texas Rangers.

"It's really good to get yesterday behind me — another one of the big steps," Rodriguez said. "For me, now the focus is the WBC."

Rodriguez declined to say what happened at the meeting, or what he expects regarding any follow-up.

The Oakland Athletics are close to signing free agent Orlando Cabrera to a \$4 million, one-year contract, likely ending former AL Rookie of the Year Bobby Crosby's disappointing tenure as the team's starting shortstop. The deal is contingent on the 34vear-old Cabrera's passing a physical.

Reynolds scores 23 points, Villanova beats N.D.

SOUTH BEND, Ind. (AP) — Scottie Reynolds scored 23 points, Dante Cunningham added 18 and eight rebounds and No. 11 Villanova turned the ball over a season-low five times Monday night to beat Notre Dame 77-60.

The Wildcats (24-6, 12-5 Big East), who had season-high turnovers in a loss Georgetown on Saturday, took control with runs of 10-2 and 16-1 in the second half. Dwayne Anderson punctuated the final run with a slam dunk to give Villanova a 67-51 lead with 4:50 left.

went nearly seven minutes without a field goal. The loss ensures the Irish will finish with a losing league record and will likely need to win the Big East tournament to earn a third straight NCAA tournament berth.

The Wildcats, who shot a season-low 33 percent five.

The Irish struggled

Shane Clark added 13 points and rebounds.

3-pointer by

another 3 and Clark hit a 15-foot jumper.

Continued from Sports 1 avoid the possibility of

playing the Bruins on their home floor.

North Idaho College and Snow College meet Friday's other women's semifinal.

Former CSI player honored: Radford center Art Parakhouski, a member of the 2007-08 CSI squad, has been named the Big South Conference Player of the Year. Parakhouski has recorded 15 double-doubles this season, including a 39point. 19-rebound effort in Radford's regular-season finale against Liberty.

Art's consistency and efficiency was recognized by both the head coaches and the media," Radford head coach Brian Greenberg said in a press release.

"We're grateful that

2009 Region 18 basketball championships

(All times MST) Men **Thursday**

No. 4 College of Eastern Utah vs.

vs. No. 3 CSI, 3 p.m. No. 1 North Idaho College vs. CEU-Snow winner, 8:30 p.m. Saturday

Championship: Semifinal winners,

Women **Thursday**

No. 4 Salt Lake Community College vs. No. 5 College of Eastern Utah, 6:30 p.m. **Friday**

No. 3 Snow College vs. No. 2 North Idaho College, 6:30 p.m.

"I have not felt any pain

At Glendale, Ariz., White Sox pitchers Jose Contreras and Bartolo Colon threw their first pitches off the mound

Contreras is more than three months ahead of sched-Achilles' tendon last August. pitches, but several times he

His fastball had pop on it,

"Bartolo is coming back from a little bit of arm problems," Cooper said. "Jose is coming back from a leg problem, so you can see physically, stuff wise. Contreras is a bit

had an NFL record-low 10

Continued from Sports 1 to an 11-5 record after

Chiefs

Brady suffered a seasonending knee injury in the opener against Kansas City. Cassel would have become a free agent in the offseason, so the Patriots hit him with the franchise tag

as insurance in case Brady didn't fully recuperate. With Brady's recovery going well, New England opted to trade Cassel instead of paying the 2007 MVP's backup \$14.65 million for one year. Cassel for a second-

round draft pick probably would be seen as a steal. Adding Vrabel, too? That seems like tunnel-underthe-floor bank-heist stuff again, on paper. Though on the downside

of his 12-year career, Vrabel will provide a veteran presence to a 2-14 team that 47 last season. The Seahawks had seven was the youngest in the league last year. He also should give the Chiefs some help with a pass rush that in 2008.

sacks a year ago.

REPORTS: SEAHAWKS GET HOUSHMANDZADEH

T.J. Houshmandzadeh and the Seattle Seahawks have agreed on a five-year contract, according to media reports Monday.

unidentified Citing sources, ESPN.com, The NFL Network and the Seattle Post Intelligencer reported on their Web sites that the former Cincinnati Bengals receiver's deal is for \$40 million and includes \$15 million in guarantees.

31-year-old The Houshmandzadeh caught 204 passes in the last two seasons. Seattle didn't have a wide receiver catch more than Bobby Engram's

injuries at the position while sliding to a 4-12 finish

MARSHALL MIGHT NOT **BE IN CLEAR** A disorderly conduct

CHARGE DROPPED BUT

charge against Denver Broncos star receiver Brandon Marshall was dismissed Monday in an Atlanta court.

The dismissal was confirmed by Marshall's lawyer, Harvey Steinberg. The Pro Bowl receiver, however, still faces possible suspension for repeated violations of the NFL's personal conduct code. The league doesn't require convictions for the commissioner to suspend a player.

"We will (still) look into it," league spokesman Greg Aiello told The Associated Press. Marshall was arrested

and jailed in Atlanta on Sunday morning following a fight with his fiance, his fourth arrest in the last three years.

The Associated Press

The Irish (16-13, 7-10)

in the loss to Georgetown, shot 45 percent Monday, including 43 percent in the second. Reynolds was 8-of-12 shooting, including 6-of-7 from 3point range. The Wildcats held Notre Dame to percent shooting and forced 15 turnovers by the Irish. Villanova had 21 points off turnovers while the Irish only had

from the free-throw line, making only 10 of 20 shots.

points for the Wildcats. Ryan Avers led the Irish with 25 points on 8-of-12 shooting, including 7-of-10 from 3-point range. Luke Harangody added 18

The game was close throughout the first half with six ties and eight lead changes. The score was tied at 32 at intermission, but the Wildcats took control in the second half.

Villanova took a 49-45 lead when a 16-foot jumper by Cunningham hit the back of the rim, bounced high and fell in with 12:21 left, capping the 10-2 run. Reynolds hit a pair of 3s during the run.

Two minutes later, the Wildcats extended the lead to 58-50 after a rebound basket by Shane Clark and a Reggie

Redding. Then, Redding added

8:30 p.m.

No. 5 Snow College, 8:30 p.m. Friday No. 2 Salt Lake Community College

No. 1 CSI vs. SLCC-CEU winner, 1

Saturday Championship: Semifinal winners, 6 p.m.

SCOREBOARD

AUTO RACING NASCAR Sprint Cup Leaders Through March 1

 Clint Bowyer, 441.
 Matt Kenseth, 419. 3. Greg Biffle, 419. 5. David Reutimann, 408. 6. Kyle Busch, 405. 7. Kurt Busch, 393. 8. Tony Stewart, 379. 9. Carl Edwards, 377. 9. Carl Edwards, 377.

10. Bobby Labonte, 360.

11. Kevin Harvick, 351.

12. Michael Waltrip, 346.

13. Kasey Kahne, 338.

14. Denny Hamlin, 332.

15. Juan Pablo Montoya, 326.

16. Elliott Sadler, 324.

17. Brian Vickers, 322.

18. Jeff Burton, 316.

19. Jimmie Johnson, 314.

19. Jimmie Johnson, 314. 20. Marcos Ambrose, 312. **Money** 1. Matt Kenseth, \$2,051,672 2. Kevin Harvick, \$1,579,655 3. Kyle Busch, \$1,063,603 3. Kyle Busch, \$1,063,603 4. Aj Allmendinger, \$1,009,788 5. Clint Bowyer, \$970,588 6. Jeff Gordon, \$816,487 7. Elliott Sadler, \$736,363 8. Jeff Burton, \$716,866 9. Jimmie Johnson, \$680,376 10. Carl Edwards, \$674,966 11. Tony Stewart, \$671,292 12. David Reutimann, \$662,792 13. Kasey Kahne, \$648,167 14. Greg Biffle, \$639,313 15. Reed Sorenson, \$637,951 16. Bobby Labonte, \$635,585 17. Brian Vickers, \$631,567

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 Monday's Games

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Cincinnati 2, Pittsburgh 1
Detroit 7, Florida Southern 1
Texas 8, Cleveland 7
Arizona 9, Chicago Cubs 1
San Diego 4, Milwaukee 3
Seattle 5, Chicago White Sox 3
Kansas City 14, San Francisco 5
L.A. Angels 12, Colorado 3
Tuesday's Games
Canada vs. Toronto at Dunedin, Fla., 11:05
a.m.

Panama vs. Atlanta at Kissimmee, Fla., 11:05 Italy vs. Washington at Viera, Fla., 11:05 a.m. Venezuela vs. Detroit at Lakeland, Fla., 11:05 a.m. Cincinnati vs. Boston at Fort Myers, Fla., 11:05 a.n

Puerto Rico vs. Minnesota at Fort Myers, Fla., 11:05 a.m. Houston vs. Tampa Bay at Port Charlotte, Fla., 11:05 a.m. Netherlands vs. Pittsburgh at Bradenton, Fla., 11:05 a.m. Dominican Republic vs. Florida at Jupiter, Fla., St. Louis vs. N.Y. Mets at Port St. Lucie, Fla., USA vs. N.Y. Yankees at Tampa, Fla., 11:15

Colorado vs. Milwaukee at Phoenix, 1:05 p.m. L.A. Dodgers vs. San Diego at Peoria, Ariz., L.A. Dougers vs. San Diego at Peona, Ariz., 1:05 p.m. Oakland vs. Chicago Cubs (ss) at Mesa, Ariz., 1:05 p.m. Cleveland vs. Kansas City at Surprise, Ariz., Arizona vs. San Francisco at Scottsdale, Ariz.,

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Monday's Games

Atlanta 98, Washington 89 New Orleans 98, Philadelphia 91 Cleveland 107, Miami 100 Oklahoma City 96, Dallas 87

Oklahoma City 96, Dallas 87
San Antonio at L.A. Clippers, late
Tuesday's Games
Phoenix at Orlando, 5 p.m.
Chicago at Charlotte, 5 p.m.
Denver at Detroit, 5:30 p.m.
New Jersey at Milwaukee, 6 p.m.
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Toronto at Houston 6:30 p.m. Toronto at Houston, 6:30 p.m. Indiana at Sacramento, 8 p.m. Memphis at L.A. Lakers, 8:30 p.m. Wednesday's Games

Milwaukee at Cleveland, 5 p.m. Phoenix at Miami, 5:30 p.m. Boston at New Jersey, 5:30 p.m. Atlanta at New York, 5:30 p.m. Atlanta at New York, 5:30 p.m. Washington at Oklahoma City, 6 p.m. Golden State at Chicago, 6:30 p.m. Houston at Utah, 7 p.m. San Antonio at Dallas, 7 p.m. Indiana at Portland, 8 p.m. Memphis at L.A. Clippers, 8:30 p.m.

NBA Boxes Cavallers 107, Heat 100

CLEVELAND (107)

James 13-21 10-10 42, Varejao 3-5 0-0 6, Ilgauskas 5-13 2-4 12, Williams 10-19 8-9 30, West 3-6 0-0 8, Szczerbiak 0-1 1-1 1, Gibson 1-5 0-0 3, Hickson 2-5 1-1 5, Jackson 0-1 0-0 0, Pavlovic 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 37-76 22-5 107.

MIAMI (100)
Moon 5-10 0-1 11, Haslem 3-9 3-3 9, O'Neal
8-13 0-0 16, Chalmers 5-12 3-3 15, Wade 1630 7-9 41, Cook 0-2 0-0 0, Beasley 2-5 4-6 8,
Anthony 0-1 0-0 0, Jones 0-1 0-0 0, Diawara
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Diawara 0-1, Cook 0-2). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Cleveland 45 (Ilgauskas 15), Miami 47 (Haslem 9). Assists—Cleveland 24 (Williams 7), Miami 20 (Wade 9). Total Fouls— Cleveland 25, Miami 20. Technicals— Cleveland defensive three second, Wade, Miami defensive three second. A—19,600

| Hawks 98, Wizards 89 |
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| ATLANTA (98) |
| Williams 11-15 2-3 28. Smith 6-12 1- |
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Blatche 6-10 0-0 12, Jamison 7-19 8-10 23, Songaila 5-9 2-2 12, James 4-13 1-2 9, McGuire 3-7 0-0 6, McGee 6-9 2-2 14, Young 1-5 0-0 3, Crittenton 5-9 0-0 10. Totals 37-81 13-18 89

Atlanta 24 22 25 27 — 98 Washington 22 23 18 26 — 89 3-Point Goals—Atlanta 6-15 (Williams Atlanta 6-15), Washington 2-7 (Jamison 1-1, Young 1-2, James 0-4), Fouled out—None. Rebounds—15 (March 1998), Washington 2-6 (Washington 46)

Atlanta 42 (Horford 8), Washington 46 (Jamison, McGee 9). Assists—Atlanta 23 (Johnson 13), Washington 23 (McGuire 9). Total Fouls–Atlanta 16, Washington 17. Technical–Washington defensive three second. A–10,189 (20,173).

Hornets 98, 76ers 91 NEW ORLEANS (98) Stojakovic 2-6 0-0 6, West 12-26 6-6 30, Chandler 4-8 1-2 9, Paul 6-16 2-2 16, Butler 5-11 3-4 16, Posey 4-9 5-6 16, Marks 1-1 1-2 3, Daniels 1-2 0-0 2, Wright 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 35-80 18-22 98.

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Dalembert 1-4 0-0 2, Miller 12-16 4-4 28,
Green 3-12 0-0 7, Evans 0-0 0-2 0, Williams
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New Orleans 21 25 25 27 — 98

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3-Point Goals—New Orleans 10-16 (Butler 3-5, Posey 3-6, Paul 2-2, Stojakovic 2-3),

Philadelphia 4-16 (Iguodala 2-5, Young 1-2, Green 1-5, Williams 0-4), Fouled Out—None.

Rebounds—New Orleans 55 (Posey 12),

Philadelphia 41 (Fyans 8). Assiste—New Philadelphia 41 (Evans 8). Assists—New Orleans 22 (Paul 12), Philadelphia 20 (Miller 7). Total Fouls—New Orleans 14, Philadelphia 20. Technicals—Daniels, New Orleans defensive three second. A-14,299 (20,318).

Thunder 96, Mavericks 87 DALLAS (87) Nowitzki 10-21 7-8 28, Howard 3-7 0-0 7, Dampier 2-2 0-0 4, Kidd 4-8 1-2 9, Wright 0-3 0-0 0, George 0-2 0-0 0, Terry 8-19 0-0 20, Singleton 3-5 2-2 8, Barea 1-6 0-0 2, Bass 1-3 2-2 4, G.Green 2-4 0-0 5, Totals 34-80 12-14

OKLAHOMA CITY (96) Sefolosha 6-11 2-2 15, Collison 1-3 0-0 2, Krstic 10-16 6-7 26, Westbrook 6-18 4-4 17, Weaver 7-13 2-2 18, Rose 3-5 1-1 7, Watson

Weaver 7-13 2-2 18, Rose 3-5 1-1 7, Watson 0-2 0-0 0, Swift 2-4 0-0 4, Wilkins 3-5 0-1 7. Totals 38-7 15-17 96.

Dallas 23 21 15 28 - 87

Oklahoma City 23 25 31 17 - 96

3-Point Goals-Dallas 7-24 (Terry 4-8, Howard 1-2, G.Green 1-2, Nowitzki 1-4, Barea 0-2, Wright 0-3, Kidd 0-3), Oklahoma City 5-13

(Weaver 2-4, Westbrook 1-2, Sefolosha 1-2, Wilkins 1-3, Watson 0-2). Fouled Out--None. Rebounds-Dallas 41 (Singleton 6), Oklahoma City 48 (Westbrook 10). Assists-Dallas 17

(Nowitzki 6), Oklahoma City 23 (Westbrook 10). Total Fouls-Dallas 15, Oklahoma City 18. Technicals-Dallas coach Carlisle, Singleton, Dallas defensive three second. A-Singleton, Dallas defensive three second. A-18,527 (19,134).

Men's College Basketball

GAME PLAN

TV SCHEDULE

MEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL 5 p.m. ESPN — Michigan St. at

Indiana 5:30 p.m.

Oklahoma St. 7 p.m. Auburn at Alabama **NHL HOCKEY** 5:30 p.m. VERSUS — Pittsburgh at Tampa Bay

South Bethune-Cookman 64, Winston-Salem 49 Betnine-Cookman 64, Winston-Salen Davidson 90, Elon 78 S. Carolina St. 78, Florida A&M 69 Savannah St. 69, N.C. Central 64 The Citadel 74, Georgia Southern 53 Wofford 80, Furman 55 Midwest Chicago St. 95, Houston Baptist 92

23-7 287 20 22-7 272 23 21-8 99 — 22-7 272 23
25. Syracuse 21-8 99
- Others receiving votes: Creighton 52, BYU 41,
Utah 22, Saint Mary's, Calif. 13, Dayton 11,
West Virginia 10, Davidson 9, Texas 9,
California 8, Providence 7, South Carolina 7,
Washington St. 4, Arizona 3, Oklahoma St. 2,
American U. 1, Boston College 1, Rhode
Island 1, Utah St. 1.

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| USA TOURY/ESPN TOP 25 POIL | | | | | | | | |
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| 1. Connecticut (27) | 27-2 | 769 | 2 | | | | | |
| 2. North Carolina | 25-3 | 711 | 5 | | | | | |
| 3. Memphis (4) | 26-3 | 698 | 4 | | | | | |
| 4. Pittsburgh | 26-3 | 667 | 1 | | | | | |
| 5. Oklahoma | 26-3 | 653 | 3 | | | | | |
| 6. Louisville | 23-5 | 630 | 2 5 4 1 3 6 7 | | | | | |
| 7. Duke | 24-5 | 597 | 7 | | | | | |
| 8. MichiganSt. | 23-5 | 557 | 9 | | | | | |
| 9. Kansas | 24-5 | 509 | 15 | | | | | |
| 10. Wake Forest | 22-5 | 480 | 14 | | | | | |
| 11. LSU | 25-4 | 420 | 18 | | | | | |
| 12. Missouri | 24-5 | 377 | -8 | | | | | |
| 13. Washington | 22-7 | 346 | 21 | | | | | |
| 14. Gonzaga | 23-5 | 339 | 17 | | | | | |
| 15. Marquette | 23-6 | 327 | 10 | | | | | |
| 16. Villanova | 23-6 | 324 | 12 | | | | | |
| 17. UCLA | 22-7 | 295 | 19 | | | | | |
| 18. Xavier | 23-5 | 260 | <u>2</u> 2 | | | | | |
| 19. Clemson | 22-6 | 219 | 13 | | | | | |
| 20. Purdue | 22-7 | 211 | <u>1</u> 6 | | | | | |
| 21. ArizonaSt. | 21-7 | 189 | 11 | | | | | |
| 22. Butler | 25-4 | 168 | 23 | | | | | |
| 23. Illinois | 23-7 | 107 | 20 | | | | | |
| 24. FloridaSt. | 22-7 | 67 | 2š | | | | | |
| 25. Syracuse | 21-8 | 37 | NR | | | | | |
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State 17; Texas 15; Creighton 13; Brigham Young 12; Utah 10; Dayton 9; California 6; Boston College 4; Providence 4; West Virginia

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| Idaho St. | 9 | 7 | .563 | 121 | L8 | .400 |
| N. Colorado | 8 | 8 | .500 | 141 | L7 | .452 |
| Montana St. | 6 | 9 | .400 | 121 | L5 | .444 |
| E. Washington | 61 | 0 | .375 | 121 | L7 | .414 |
| N. Arizona | 51 | 1 | .313 | 81 | L9 | .296 |
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| Scenic West Athletic Conference standings Men As of March 1 | | | | | | | | | | |
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Scenic West Athletic Conference standings

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| PGA Tour Fe | dExCu gh March | p Leaders |
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| Rank Name | Points | YTD Money |
| 1. Geoff Ogilvy 2. Kenny Perry 3. Dustin Johnson 4. Zach Johnson 5. Nick Watney 6. Pat Perez 7. Phil Mickelson 8. Steve Stricker 9. Charley Hoffman 10. Mike Weir 11. David Toms 12. Sean O'Hair 13. Kevin Na 14. Davis Love III 15. D.J. Trahan 16. John Merrick 17. Luke Donald 18. Tim Clark | 1,176 739 716 694 655 641 603 553 523 486 450 401 394 369 358 338 327 320 | \$2,672,077 \$1,552,063 \$1,527,191 \$1,373,880 \$1,171,570 \$1,095,146 \$1,304,290 \$1,114,580 \$997,723 \$1,011,885 \$880,865 \$861,199 \$806,340 \$693,266 \$625,515 \$610,122 \$591,834 \$574,976 |
| 19. Adam Scott 20. Brian Gay | 320 319 | \$597,867 \$573,102 |
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LPGA Money Leaders Through March 1

| 1. Lorena Ochoa 2. Angela Stanford 3. Hee Young Park 4. Paula Creamer 5. Michelle Wie 6. Brittany Lang 7. Na Yeon Choi 8. Angela Park 9. Yani Tseng 10. Stacy Prammanasudh 11. Ai Miyazato 12. Cristie Kerr 13. Eun-Hee Ji 14. Jee Young Lee 15. Helen Alfredsson 15. Sophie Gustafson 17. Natalie Gulbis 8. Sun Young Yoo 19. Jane Park 20. Teresa Lu | 122212222222112222 | \$217,500 \$216,561 \$145,448 \$116,932 \$100,581 \$94,032 \$81,727 \$81,045 \$73,097 \$47,366 \$31,552 \$36,561 \$34,766 \$33,555 \$32,298 \$31,078 |
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| New Jersey | 41 | 19 | 3 | 85 | 196 | 153 |
| Philadelphia | 33 | | | 76 | 198 | 178 |
| N.Y. Rangers | 32 | 24 | 8 | 72 | 159 | 175 |
| Pittsburgh | 32 20 | 26 | 6 7 | 70 | 195 | 196 |
| N.Y. Islanders | | | | 47 | 154 | 206 |
| NORTHEAST | W | L | OΤ | PTS | GF | GA |
| Boston | | 12 | 9 7 | 93 | 215 | 142 |
| Montreal | 34 | 22 | 7 | 75 | 194 | 189 |
| Buffalo | 31 | | 7 | 69 | 182 | 175 |
| Toronto | 25 | | 12 | 62 | 191 | 227 |
| Ottawa | 23 | | 10 | 56 | | 176 |
| SOUTHEAST | W | L | OΤ | PIS | GF | GA |
| Washington | 40 | 19 | 5 | 85 | 213 | 188 |
| Florida | 32 | 23 | | 72 | 177 | 175 |
| Carolina | 32 | | 5 | 69 | | 186 |
| Tampa Bay | 21 | 30 | 12 | 54 | | 204 |
| Atlanta | 23 | 34 | 6 | 52 | 188 | 221 |
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| CENTRAL | W | <u>L</u> | OT | PTS | GF | GA |
| Detroit | 41 | 14 | 8 | 90 | 234 | 187 |
| Chicago | 35 | | 9 | 79 | 205 | 155 |
| Columbus | 31 | 26 | 6 | 68 | 168 | 176 |
| Nashville | 31 | 28 | 4 | 66 | 159 | 172 |
| St. Louis | | 26 | 8 | 64 | 173 | 181 |
| NORTHWEST | W | Τ. | OT | PTS | GF | GA |
| Calgary | 37 | 19 | 6 | 80 | 201 | 183 |
| Vancouver | 32 | | Š | 72 | 186 | 175 |
| Edmonton | 31 | 26 | 5 | 67 | 173 | 188 |
| Minnesota | 30 | 26 | 5 | 65 | 155 | 144 |

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| Ottawa | 23 | 28 | | 56 | 152 | 176 |
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| NORTHWEST | W | L | OT | PTS | GF | GA |
| Calgary Vancouver Edmonton Minnesota | 31 | 19 22 26 26 | 6855 | 80 72 67 65 | 201 186 173 155 | 183 175 188 144 |

4. ClayTon Savage, Casper, Wyo. \$40,139
5. Spud Jones, Tohatchi, M. \$33,866
6. Steve Woolsey, Payson, Utah \$29,405
7. Cody Whitney, Asher, Okla. \$26,532
8. Tate Stratton, Stanley, N.M. \$23,040
9. Robert Welsh, Gillette, Wyo. \$22,410
10. Fred Boettcher, Rice Lake, Wis. \$18,454
Barrel RacIng
1. Mattie Little, Coppell, Texas \$22,939
2. Savanah Reeves, Dublin, Texas \$21,429
4. Nancy Hunter, Neola, Utah \$21,469
5. Jackie Jatzlau, Giddings, Texas \$21,092
6. Sherry Cervi, Marana, Ariz. \$17,700
7. Danyelle Campbell, Beaumont, Calif.

8. Cassie Moseley, Farwell, Texas \$16,725 9. Annesa Self, Valley View, Texas \$15,900 10. Lindsay Sears, Ropesville, Texas \$15,436

SKI REPORT

Idaho

Bogus Basin — Sun 5 50nm cldy 45 degrees variable machine groomed 45 58 base 66 of 66 trails, 27 miles, 2600 acres 8 of 8 lifts, 100% open, Mon-Fri: 10a-10p; Sat/Sun: 9a-10p. Brundage — Mon 5 00am light rain 35 degrees packed powder machine groomed 48 68 base 46 of 46 trails, 25 miles 1500 acres, 4 of 5 lifts, 100% open, Mon-Fri: 9:30a-4:30p; Sat/Sun:

9:30a-4 30n Kelly Canyon — Operating Tue-Sun, no details Lookout Pass — Mon 5am 33 degrees variable 67 101

lifts, 100% open, Mon, Wed-Fri: 9a-4p; Sat/Sun: 8:30a-4p; open Thu-Mon. Magic Mountain — Sun Open Thu-Sun 5am powder machine groomed 53 63 base 14 of 14 trail, 3 of 3

Thu-Sun. packed powder machine 54 trails 3 of 3 lifts, 100%

All-Around

1. Clint Robinson, Spanish Fork, Utah
\$45,280
2. Trevor Brazile, Decatur, Texas \$24,987
3. Ryan Jarrett, Summerville, Ga. \$23,105
4. Cash Myers, Athens, Texas \$22,331
5. Jesse Bail, Camp Crook, S.D. \$13,959
6. Seth Glause, Rock Springs, Wyo. \$13,397
7. Kyle Whitaker, Chambers, Neb. \$6,597

Bareback Ridling
1. Heath Ford, Greeley, Colo. \$31,552
2. Bobby Mote, Culver, Ore. \$26,334
3. Kaycee Felid, Elk Ridge, Utah \$24,563
4. Clint Cannon, Waller, Texas \$22,397
5. Tilden Hooper, Carthage, Texas \$17,497
6. Tim Shirley, Conifer, Colo. \$16,330
7. Douglas Fennell, Neosho, Mo. \$14,686
8. Cody DeMers, Kimberly, Idaho \$13,603
9. Justin McDaniel, Porum, Okla. \$13,521
10. Jared Keylon, Fort Scott, Kan. \$12,971
Steer Wrestling
1. Todd Suhn, North Platte, Neb. \$29,294
2. Joey Bell Jr, Athens, Fexas \$23,727
3. Casey McMillen, Craig, Colo. \$21,788
1 Jason Miller, Lance Creek Wyo. \$18,722 30a-9:30p. 2. Joey Bell Jr, Atthens, Lexas \$25,727 3. Casey McMillen, Craig, Colo. \$21,788 4. Jason Miller, Lance Creek, Wyo. \$18,722 5. Jake Rinehart, Highmore, S.D. \$17,567

6. Luke Branquinho, Los Alamos, Calif. \$17.012 7. Curtis Charles Cassidy, Donalda, AB

Monday's Game

Florida 6, Washington 2 Pittsburgh 4, Dallas 1 Tampa Bay 8, Calgary 6

N.Y. Islanders 4, Colorado 2 Tuesday's Games

Tuesday's Games
Florida at Atlanta, 5 p.m.
Philadelphia at Boston, 5 p.m.
Los Angeles at Columbus, 5 p.m.
Carolina at Washington, 5 p.m.
Calgary at Ottawa, 5:30 p.m.
New Jersey at Toronto, 5:30 p.m.
Pittsburgh at Tampa Bay, 5:30 p.m.
Edmonton at Nashville, 6 p.m.
Anaheim at Chicago, 6:30 p.m.
Detroit at St. Louis, 6:30 p.m.
Minnesota at Vancouver, 8 p.m.
Dallas at San Jose, 8:30 p.m.
Wednesday's Games

Wednesday's Games Montreal at Buffalo, 5:30 p.m.

Through March 1
Alf-Around
1. Clint Robinson, Spanish Fork, Utah

RODEO

Pro Rodeo Leaders

Detroit at Colorado, 7 p.m.

\$15,319

8. Darrell Petry, Beaumont, Texas \$15,116

9. Shawn Greenfield, Lakeview, Ore. \$14,611

10. Billy Bugenig, Ferndale, Calif. \$13,363

Team Roping (header)

1. Nick Sartain, Yukon, Okla. \$25,958

2. Chad Masters, Santo, Texas \$22,080

3. Kaleb Driggers, Albany, Ga. \$18,619

4. Shane Philipp, Washington, Texas \$17,103

5. Charly Crawford, Prineville, Ore. \$17,088

6. Blaine Linaweaver, Leavenworth, Kan.

\$14,734

\$14,134 7. Keven Daniel, Franklin, Tenn. \$13,097 8. Joel Bach, Millsap, Texas \$12,709 9. Luke Brown, Santo, Texas \$12,207 10. JoJo LeMond, Andrews, Texas \$11,697

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Team Roping (heeler)
1. Kollin Von Ahn, Durant, Ökla. \$26,441
2. Brad Culpepper, Ashburn, Ga. \$22,283
3. Michael Jones, Stephenville, Texas \$22,080
4. Arky Rogers, Lake City, Fla. \$18,137
5. Russell Cardoza, Farmington, Calif.

\$17,088 6. Ryan Motes, Weatherford, Texas \$13,812 7. Richard Durham, Morgan Mill, Texas \$13,467 8. Martin Lucero, Stephenville, Texas \$12,871 9. Allen Bach, Weatherford, Texas \$12,225 10. Travis Graves, Jay, Okla. \$11,112 Saddle Bronc Riding

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Saddle Bronc Riding
1. JJ. Elshere, Quinn, S.D. \$28,082
2. Jesse Kruse, Great Falls, Mont. \$24,266
3. Bradley Harter, Weatherford, Texas
\$21,841
4. Heith DeMoss, Heflin, La. \$20,965
5. Taos Muncy, Corona, N.M. \$19,310
6. Dusty Hausauer, Dickinson, N.D. \$18,343
7. Rusty Allen, Eagle Mountain, Utah \$17,546
8. Chad Ferley, Oelrichs, S.D. \$15,598
9. Cody Taton, Newell, S.D. \$15,314
10. Isaac Diaz, Stephenville, Texas \$14,414
Tle-Down Roping
1. Clint Robinson, Spanish Fork, Utah
\$36,054
2. Adam Gray, Seymour, Texas \$29,189

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4. Scott Kormos, Teague, Texas \$22,590

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6. Monty Lewis, Hereford, Texas \$19,464

7. Ryan Jarrett, Summerville, Ga. \$19,115

8. Tyson Durfey, Colbert, Wash. \$18,362

9. Jeff Chapman, Athens, Texas \$17,607

10. Josh Peek, Pueblo, Colo. \$17,396

Steer Roping

1. Leo Campbell, Amarillo, Texas \$10,083

2. Scott Snedecor, Uvalde, Texas \$9,519

3. Vin Fisher Jr, Andrews, Texas \$8,973

4. Rocky Patterson, Pratt, Kan. \$7,514

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4. Rocky Patterson, Pratt. Kan. \$7,514
5. Will Gasperson, Decatur, Texas \$5,999
6. Bryce Davis, Abilene, Texas \$5,670
7. Cash Myers, Athens, Texas \$5,212
8. Trevor Brazile, Decatur, Texas \$4,144
9. Landon McClaugherty, Tilden, Texas \$4,124
10. Chet Herren, Pawhuska, Okla. \$3,928
Bull Riding
1. J.W. Harris, May, Texas \$46,634
2. Kanin Asay, Powell, Wyo. \$43,288
3. Douglas Duncan, Alvin, Texas \$41,389
4. Clayton Savage, Casper, Wyo. \$40,139
5. Spud Jones, Tohatchi, N.M. \$33,866

7. Danyelle Campbell, Beaumont, Calif. \$17,685

TRANSACTIONS

American League
KANSAS CITY ROYALS—Reassigned C Kiel
Thibault to their minor league camp.
National League
ATLANTA BRAVES—Agreed to terms with RHP
Manny Acosta, RHP Jeff Bennett, RHP Blaine
Boyer, RHP Buddy Carlyle, RHP Jorge
Campillo, RHP Charlie Morton, RHP Peter
Moylan, INF Yunel Escobar, INF Martin Prado
and OF Gregor Blanco on one-year contracts.
HOUSTON ASTROS—Agreed to terms with OF
Hunter Pence on a one-year contract.

base 34 of 34 trails 4 of 4

lifts, 100% open, Thu/Fri: 9a-4p; Sat/Sun: 9a-4p; open

Pebble Creek — Mon 5:27am groomed 17 66 base 54 of open, Mon-Thu: 9:30a-4p; Fri: 9:30a-9:30p; Sat/Sun: 9

Pomerelle — Mon 2 10nm mcldy 36 degrees spring snow machine groomed 74 101 base 24 of 24 trails, 500 acres 3 of 3 lifts, 100% open, Mon: 9a-4p; Tue-Fri: 9a-9p; Sat: 9a-9p; Sun: 9a-4p. Schweitzer Mountain — Mon 4 39am overcast 33 degrees variable machine groomed 66 94 base 92 of 92 trails.

2900 acres 10 of 10 lifts, 100% open, Mon-Thu: 9a-4p; Fri: 9a-8p; Sat/Sun: 9a-4p. Silver Mountain — Mon 4 20am overcast 40 degrees packed powder machine groomed 56 96 base 73 of 73 trails, 5 of 7 lifts 100% open, Thu-Fri: 9a-4p: Sat/Sun: 8a-4p; open Thu-

Mon.

Snowhaven — Mon 5am packed powder machine groomed 38 42 base 7 of 7 trails, 2 of 2 lifts 10% open, Mon-Fri: 8a-4p; Sat/Sun: 10a-

Soldier Mountain — Sat Open

Thu-Sun 8 24am packed powder machine groomed 30 33 base 36 of 36 trails, 1147 acres, 3 of 3 lifts, 100% open hu/Fri: 9a-4p; Sat/Sun: 9a-4p; open Thu-Sun. Sun Valley — Mon 5 26am cldy 29 degrees packed powder machine groomed 34 58 base 75 of 75 trails, 19 of 19 lifts 00% open, Mon-Fri: 9a-4p; Sat/Sun: 9a-4p. Tamarack — Mon 5am overcast 30 degrees packed powder machine groomed 53 72

base 42 of 42 trails of 7

4p; Sat/Sun: 9a-4p.

lifts, 100% open, Mon-Fri: 9a-

Utah

Alta — Mon 5:18am variable 106 106 base 112 of 112 trails, 100% open 200 acres, 11 of 11 lifts, Mon-Fri: 9:15a-4:30p; Sat/Sun: 9:15a-

4:30p. Beaver Mountain — Mon 5am packed powder machine groomed 73 76 base 30 of 30 trails 100% open, 5 of 5 lifts, Mon-Fri: 9a-4p; Sat/Sun:

9a-4p. Brian Head — Mon 5am packed powder machine groomed 60 60 base 63 of 63 trails, 100% open 9 of 9 lifts, Mon-Thu: 9:30a-4p; Fri: 9:30a-9p; Sat: 9:30a-9p; Sun: 9 30a-4p.

Brighton — Sun 5:33am packed powder machine groomed 87 87 base 66 of 66 trails, 100% open 26 miles, 1050 acres, 6 of 6 lifts, Mon-Fri: 9a-9p; Sat: 9a-9p; Sun: 9a-4p. Deer Valley — Mon 5:32am packed powder machine

groomed 89 89 base 99 of 99 trails 100% open, 22 of 22 lifts, Mon-Fri: 8:30a-4:15p; Sat/Sun: 8:30a-4:15p.

Park City - Mon 5:59am variable machine groomed 74 74 base 107 of 107 trails 100% open, 15 of 16 lifts, Mon-Fri: 9a-7:30p: Sat/Sun: 9a-7:30p.

Powder Mountain — Mon 5am packed powder machine groomed 82 86 base 124 of 124 trails 100% open, 7 of 7 lifts, Mon-Fri: 9a-10p; Sat/Sun: 9a-10p. Snowbasin - Mon 8:18am

packed powder machine groomed 62 114 base 113 of 113 trails 100% open, 28 miles, 3200 acres, 8 of 10 lifts, Mon-Fri: 9a-4p; Sat/Sun 9a-4p. Snowbird — Mon 5am packed powder machine groomed 95

97 base 85 of 85 trails, 100% open 11 of 11 lifts. Mon-Fri: 9a-4p; Sat/Sun: 9a-Solitude - Mon 7:31am variable machine groomed 87 87

base 64 of 64 trails, 100%

open 1200 acres, 8 of 8 lifts,

Mon-Fri: 9a-4p; Sat/Sun: 9a-Sundance - Mon 9:56pm wet granular machine groomed 66 66 base 42 of 42 trails 100% open, 450 acres, 4 of 4 lifts, Mon-Fri: 8:30a-4:30p:

Wyoming Grand Targhee — Mon 6:34am

Sat/Sun: 8:30a-4 30p.

packed powder machine groomed 86 86 base 74 of 74 trails 100% open, 2402 acres, 5 of 5 lifts, Mon-Fri: 9a-4p; Sat/Sun: 9a-4p. Jackson Hole — Mon 6:36am packed powder machine groomed 74 90 base 116 of 116 trails 100% open, 2500 acres, 11 of 12 lifts, Mon-Fri: 9a-4p; Sat/Sun: 9a-4p

American Association SIOUX FALLS CANARIES—Acquired RHP Chris Weast from San Angelo (UL) for future consid-

BASKETBALL National Basketball Association
NEW YORK KNICKS—Signed C Cheikh Samb to a 10-day contract.

National Football League
ARIZONA CARDINALS—S keith Lewis to a two-year contract. Re-signed P Ben Graham to a two-year contract and QB Brian St. Pierre to a one-year contract. CINCINATI BENGALS—Re-signed LB Darryl Blackstock and DL Orien Harris.
DENVER BRONCOS—Signed LB Andra Davis.
DETROIT LIONS—Signed WR Bryant Johnson to a three-year contract.
MIAMI DOLPHINS—Released DE Vonnie
Holliday.

Holliday.
NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS—Signed TE Chris
Baker. Re-signed OL Russ Hochstein.
SAN FRANCISCO 49ERS—Re-signed FB Moran Norris to a three-year contract. SEATTLE SEAHAWKS—Signed DT Colin Cole to a multivear contract.
TENNESSEE TITANS—Agreed to terms with WR
Nate Washington and DT Jovan Haye.
WASHINGTON REDSKINS—Released DE Jason

HOCKEY
National Hockey League
NHL—Suspended Dallas F Steve Ott one game
for gouging Anaheim F Travis Moen in the eye

during a Feb. 28 game. Suspension was served on March 1.
ATLANTA THRASHERS—Traded D Niclas Havelid to New Jersey for D Anssi Salmela. Recalled D Grant Lewis from Chicago (AHL). DALLAS STARS—Reassigned F Raymond Sawada to Manitoba (AHL).
DETROIT RED WINGS—Recalled F Aron Downey and D Norshe are Fisces on from Grany. DETROIT RED WINGS—Recalled F Aaron Downey and D Jonathan Ericsson from Grand Rapids (AHL). Assigned F Darren Helm and F Ville Leino to Grand Rapids. LOS ANGELES KINGS—Recalled F Oscar Moller from Manchester (AHL). MONTREAL CANADIENS—Signed F Andrew Conboy to a three-year contract. Recalled D Ryan O'Byrne from Hamilton (AHL). NEW YORK RANGERS—Assigned F Mark Bell to Hartford (AHL). PHOENIX COYOTES—Recalled C Kyle Turris from San Antonio (AHL). from San Antonio (AHL).
WASHINGTON CAPITALS—Assigned F Jay Beagle to Hershey (AHL). SOCCER

Major League Soccer
NEW YORK RED BULLS—Traded D Chris Leitch
to San Jose for allocation money and an international slot. COLLEGE

ASHLAND—Announced the retirement of men's basketball coach Roger Lyons.
SOUTHWESTERN OKLAHOMA—Announced Todd Thurman will step down as men's basketball coach but remain director of athletics.
WASHINGTON & LEE—Announced the resignation of sections of sections

Connecticut moves back to No. 1 in Associated Press poll

Connecticut is back to No. 1 in The to submit legal written arguments to the 9th Associated Press' college basketball poll after dropping to No. 2 for a week.

The Huskies had been No. 1 for three weeks until losing to Pittsburgh. They replaced the Panthers on top Monday, receiving 67 first-place votes from the 72member national media panel.

North Carolina moved from fourth to sec-

ond and was No. 1 on three ballots.

Pittsburgh fell to No. 3. The Panthers lost to Providence one day after regaining the top ranking last week. Oklahoma dropped one place to fourth, while Memphis, Louisville and Duke

remained fifth through seventh. Michigan State moved up one place to eighth. Kansas jumped from 15th to ninth and Wake Forest moved from 13th to round out the top 10.

MLB

Barry Bonds case delayed well into summer

SAN FRANCISCO — The perjury trial of Barry Bonds has been delayed at least through July and likely beyond, as an appeal filed by prosecutors over key evidence for the trial winds through the legal system.

Federal court officials on Monday set a schedule for prosecutors and Bonds' lawyers

U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals debating the admissibility of three positive drug tests, socalled doping calendars and other evidence allegedly linking Bonds to steroids use. Jury selection for Bonds' trial had been

scheduled to start Monday, but was delayed last week after federal prosecutors announced they would appeal U.S. District Court Judge Susan Illston's ruling barring them from showing that evidence to a jury.

SOCCER

Report: Beckham nears deal to finish Milan season

LOS ANGELES — An agreement that would allow David Beckham to finish the season with AC Milan before reporting to the Los Angeles Galaxy is close to being finalized, according to a newspaper report.

The deal would call for Beckham to miss the first 17 games of the MLS season before he rejoined the Galaxy in mid-July, the Los Angeles Times reported on its Web site Monday, citing a person close to the negotiations. The Times said the person requested anonymity because the deal was not signed.

Beckham had been due to report to Los Angeles on March 9. The proposed agreement would allow him to remain with AC Milan until the Italian season ends on May

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31, the Times reported. If that's the case, his first appearance of the season with the Galaxy would be on July 18 in New York.

MAGIC VALLEY **Packard shoots fifth ace**

TWIN FALLS — Kevin Packard shot his fifth career hole-in-one this weekend at Twin Falls Municipal Golf course. The 175-yard shot, which is Packard's second on the No. 10 hole, was made with a 7-iron and witnessed by Carl Sklavos, Rich Birrell, Chris Roland and Jay

Mini-Cassia benefit tourney planned

RUPERT — The Mini-Cassia Volleyball Benefit Tournament will be held March 6-7. Play will begin at 6 p.m., Friday and at 8 a.m., Saturday. The pool play and doubleelimination event will offer A, B and C divi-

The cost is \$120 per team, plus each player needs to donate a prize for the raffle.

Breakfast snacks are \$1 and lunch is \$5. Proceeds will be give to the family of Steven Dameron, who was killed in an auto accident. To secure a spot in the tournament, e-Iennifer Latta loudylatta@hotmail.com.

Information: Jennifer Latta at 208-312-

USBC Doubles tourney set

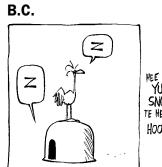
JEROME — The Eighth Annual Jerome USBC Doubles Tournament will be held Saturday and Sunday and March 14-15. Multiple entries are allowed and cash prizes will be awarded. Entry forms are available at

area bowling alleys. Information: Jerome Bowl at 324-5292 or Brenda Alftin at 404-1213 brinalft@aol.com.

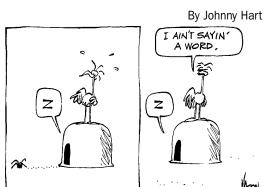
T.F. Muni holds men's opener

TWIN FALLS — The 2009 Twin Falls Men's Association Opener will be held at 10 a.m., Sunday at Twin Falls Municipal Golf Course. The format is two net best balls of foursome and the entry fee is \$20 plus green fees and cart. Lunch is included. Players may make their own foursome or sign up individually and do not need to be a member of the association to play.

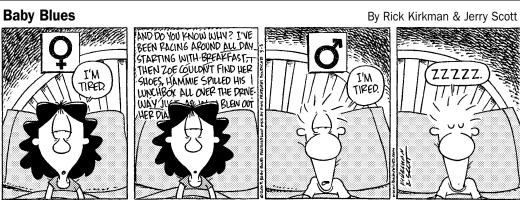
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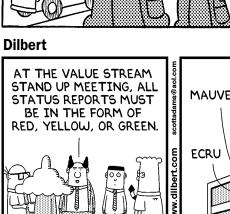


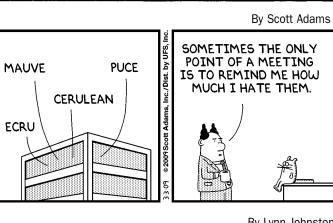








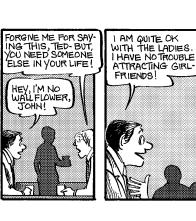








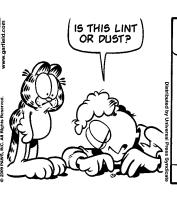




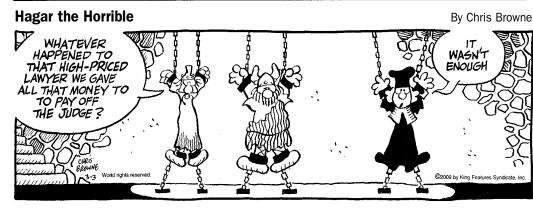




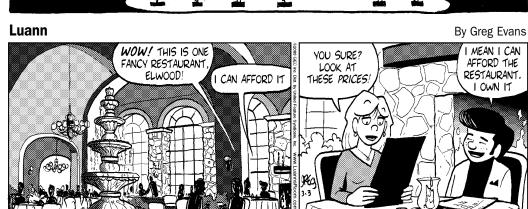




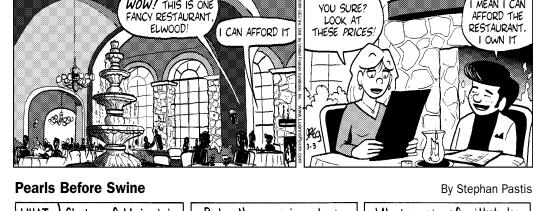












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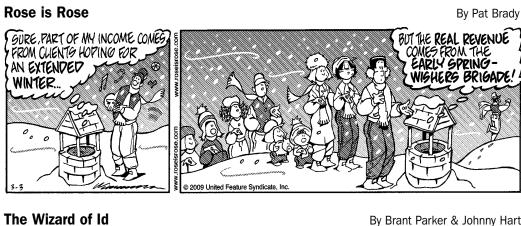


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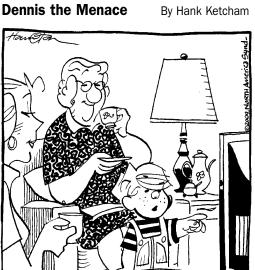
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