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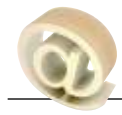
State to curtail 430 water users

West Magic Valley pumpers have until Thursday to provide acceptable plan to provide more water

By Nate Poppino
Times-News writer

Last July, roughly 430 water users in the Magic Valley were told they'd have to make up a little more than 2 cubic-feet-per-second of spring water their ground-

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To read the order and see a list of those affected, visit <http://www.idwr.idaho.gov/> and click on "2009 Potential Curtailment."

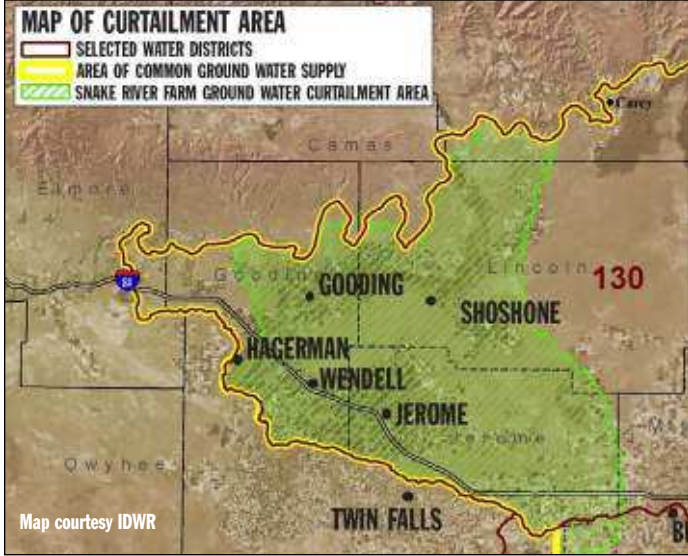
water wells were taking away from a Magic Valley fish farm.

On Thursday, after several months of negotiation and debate between pumpers and Clear Springs Foods, the order came down: Starting March 16, 865 wells belonging to farmers, private companies, cities and others will have to go dry, unless the pumpers submit an accept-

able plan to provide the water by Thursday.

The process, called curtailment, was a last-ditch decision after the Magic Valley and North Snake groundwater districts withdrew all but one plan to fix the problem, proposing solely to repay Clear Springs for its losses with money and

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SIRCOMM director Shearman placed on leave

By Nate Poppino
Times-News writer

John Shearman, director of the Southern Idaho Regional Communications Center, has been suspended with pay by its governing board just six months after he took the job.

Twin Falls County Commissioner Tom Mikesell, chairman of SIRCOMM's Joint Powers Board, confirmed Thursday that Shearman was put on administrative leave Wednesday afternoon after a closed-door discussion by the board. He wouldn't say what the reason for the suspension was, citing personnel issues. But he said the board is investigating actions by Shearman, who



Shearman

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With Latham car dealership closed, car owners who borrowed from financing company owned by its general manager are confused where to send payments

LEFT IN THE DARK

Customers of 1-800-Finance caught in middle of litigation against Latham group

By Joshua Palmer
Times-News writer

The fall of the former Latham auto empire has left some car owners in the dark.

Customers who financed vehicles through through 1-800-Finance Inc., which was owned by Scott Reaves, the former general manager of Latham Motors, say they don't know where to send their car payments.

The automotive financing business, which is cited in a \$6.3 million complaint by KeyBank National Association against Robert Latham Sr., Robert Latham Jr., Tracey Frank and Reaves, ceased operations in February.

But borrowers were never informed about the change.

Joanna Leaton, who lives in Challis, said she was about to mail her last car payment to 1-800-Finance before she read in the *Times-News* that Reaves was cited as a defendant in the case.

"I just wanted to pay the car off," she said. "I called (1-800-Finance) but nobody answered, so I called KeyBank and they told me to stop my payments for now."

She said someone from the



ASHLEY SMITH/Times-News

The abandoned lot of the former Latham Motors on Second Avenue South in Twin Falls. Customers of 1-800-Finance Inc., which was owned by the general manager of the former Latham Motors auto dealership, say they don't know where to send their car payments now that the auto finance business is closed.

FIND OUT MORE

To contact the Idaho Department of Finance Consumer Finance Bureau: 208-332-8002, or toll free in Idaho at 1-888-346-3378, or on the Web at <http://finance.idaho.gov>.

bank told her to wait until Tuesday to be contacted by a bank representative.

Jack Sparks, a spokesman for KeyBank in Idaho, said he

could not confirm Leaton's comments because the case is in litigation.

The former location of 1-800-Finance at 195

Addison Ave. W. was vacant on Thursday — furnishings and signs had been removed from the building.

When contacted at his home, Reaves said borrowers will be contacted by mail but would not provide further comment.

Anthony Polidori, chief investigative officer for the Idaho Department of

Finance, said the department has received some inquiries about the business closure, but he does not yet know how many borrowers may be affected by the pending litigation.

He said that anyone with a complaint should contact the Department of Finance.

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Mom faces at least 2 years in jail for child's death

Gorbenko-Kutran pleads guilty to involuntary manslaughter

By Andrea Jackson
Times-News writer

A mother is facing at least two years in prison after pleading guilty on Thursday to involuntary manslaughter stemming from her daughter's house-fire death last year in Twin Falls.

Ukrainian-born Inna Gorbenko-Kutran, 29, also pleaded guilty to misdemeanor injury to a child, and could spend the next two to four years behind bars. Her plea followed a similar arrangement struck by her husband, Stepan Kutran, who was charged with the

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Minico teacher/coach Frank found not guilty of strangling ex-girlfriend

Jury finds him guilty of battery, unlawful entry

By Jared S. Hopkins
Times-News writer

BOISE — A jury in the 4th District Ada County Courthouse found Benjamin Frank not guilty Thursday on a felony charge of attempting to strangle his former girlfriend last year, but convicted him of battery and unlawful entry.

The verdict — greeted by cheers and tears from Frank's family in the courtroom — capped a four-day trial in which Ada County Deputy Prosecutor Gabriel Haws and Frank's lawyer, Keith Roark, wrangled over whether Frank was trying to strangle Jacobi Patterson, or break her fall when he grabbed her in her home on Feb. 22, 2008.



Frank

The convictions are misdemeanors that carry lighter penalties than the maximum 15 years that came with the strangulation charge. Frank — the head baseball coach and a biology teacher at Minico High School — has a status hearing next week. He will be sentenced at a later date.

The jury deliberated for more than five hours and issued its verdict at about 5:15 p.m.

The charge stems from an incident in the home of Patterson, a Boise Realtor, whom Frank dated for

six to eight months. Patterson — who knew Frank in high school in Rupert — ended the relationship. But a few days later Frank drove to her home from Rupert. He saw her through a window with another man and, once the man left, entered her home.

Frank declined comment after the verdict.

During an argument he threw his arm around her and she eventually went unconscious. Frank testified he reached out to catch her as she fell, and Roark said the fall might

have been caused by drugs and alcohol use, or a blow to the head.

In his closing arguments, Roark tied together the inconsistencies in Patterson's account throughout the trial. Roark said Patterson testified Frank pushed her in a chokehold, while her sister and business partner said she told them he dragged her. Roark also noted that Patterson said she smoked marijuana after drinking at a bar earlier that night, a detail that Roark said may have led

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MORNING BRIEFING



TODAY'S HAPPENINGS

ARTS AND ENTERTAINMENT

Gallery walk, continued artwork exhibit by Angeli DiLucca and Tom Prater and new work by Mountain Home artist Marcus Mashburn, until 8 p.m., Jensen Ringmakers and Gallery, 109 Main Ave., downtown Twin Falls, no cost, open to the public, 734-8091 www.jensen-jewelers.com/RingmakersGallery.php.

CoffeeHouse Night at Hands On/The Divine Grind, painting and drink specials throughout the evening and music by Mary Grace, 7:30 to 10:30 p.m., Hands On/The Divine Grind, 147 Shoshone St. N., Twin Falls, www.handsonstudio.com or 736-4475.

BENEFITS AND FUNDRAISERS

"First Friday Dinner" a buffet-style, traditional Basque meal featuring lamb chops and fish sponsored by the Gooding Basque Association, 6 to 8 p.m., Basque Cultural Center, 285 Euskadi Lane (intersection of U. S. Highway 26 and Idaho Highway 46), general donation of \$14, \$12 for seniors and \$6 for children, 308-5051.

CHURCH EVENTS

Lenten luncheon, includes homemade soup, sandwiches, homemade pie, and coffee or juice, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., St. Jerome's Catholic Church parish hall, 216 Second Ave. E., Jerome, \$5, everyone welcome, 324-8794.

Christian Movie Night, "Born Again," with 6 p.m. pizza and salad dinner available for a donation, 7 p.m., River Christian Fellowship, corner of Falls Avenue East and Shoshone Falls Road, free admission, 733-3133.

The Enneagram "Know Your Number" personality workshop, led by Suzanne Stabile, 6:30 to 9 p.m., Ascension Episcopal Church, 371 Easland Drive N., Twin Falls, \$50, 733-8881.

EXHIBITS

David Drake Sculpture show, 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Jean B. King Gallery, Herrett Center for the Arts and Science, College of Southern Idaho campus, 315 Falls Ave., Twin Falls, no cost, 732-6655.

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, 543-5417.

GOVERNMENT

Twin Falls County commissioners, 8:30 a.m., courthouse, 425 Shoshone St. N., 736-4068.

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 Gold-insured or AARP provided by Secure Horizons, 734-7300.

College of Southern Idaho's Over 60 and Getting Fit programs, a guided walking workout with stretching and gentle resistance training, 9 to 10 a.m. at several Magic Valley locations:

Blaine County Campus gym, CSI gym, Gooding ISDB gym, Jerome Rec Center, Rupert Civic gym and Shoshone High School (old gym); and 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at CSI Burley Outreach Center gym, no cost, 732-6475.

Fit and Fall Proof Exercise Class, 10 to 11 a.m., Blaine County Senior Connection, 721 S. Third Ave., Hailley, no cost, 737-5988.

Fit and Fall Proof Exercise Class, 10:30 to 11:30 a.m., Ageless Senior Citizens, Inc., 310 Main St. N., Kimberly, no cost, 737-5988.

SilverSneakers Fitness Program, 10:30 to 11:30 a.m., Jerome Senior Center, 212 First Ave. E. no cost for Humana Gold Choice members, \$1 for non-Humana members, 324-5642.

Fit and Fall Proof Exercise Class, 1:30 p.m., front lounge, Woodstone Assisted Living Facility, 491 Caswell Ave. W., Twin Falls, no cost, 737-5988.

Celebrate Recovery, based on the 12 steps and eight biblical principles, 7 p.m., Cafe Agape, Lighthouse Christian Fellowship, 960 Eastland Drive, Twin Falls, 737-4667.

Celebrate Recovery, a place to learn life-affirming, healthy behaviors, 7 p.m., Fireside Room of the Nazarene Fellowship Hall at Yakima and Main, Filer, 734-0557.

Al-Anon/Alateen family groups, to help friends and families of alcoholics, hot-line: 1-866-592-3198.

HOBBIES AND CRAFTS

Storytime Pottery, "The Snail and the Whale" story time and pottery painting event for children ages 2 to 5; parental participation required, 10:30 to 11:30 a.m., Hands On, 147 Shoshone St. N., \$11, www.handsonstudio.com.

LIBRARY

Family Storytime, 11 a.m., Jerome Public Library, 208-324-5427.

MUSEUMS

Faulkner Planetarium "Bad Astronomy: Myths and Misconceptions" at 7 p.m., Herrett Center, \$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; and **Rock Entertainment Show: "Altrageous Rock"** at 8:15 p.m., Herrett Center for Arts and Science, north end of the College of Southern Idaho campus, Twin Falls, \$4.50, 732-6655.

OUTDOORS

The College of Southern Idaho Outdoor Program surplus rental equipment sale, noon to 8 p.m., CSI Student Recreation Center located adjacent to CSI gym, non negotiable prices; cash, checks, credit or debit cards, 732-6470 or at srogers@csi.edu.

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 event.

Pat's Picks ... Pat Marcantonio

Three things to do today

- You'll find bargains as the College of Southern Idaho Outdoor Program sells rental equipment in the CSI Student Recreation Center located adjacent to the CSI Gym. The sale times are from noon until 8 p.m. today and 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday.
- Eat up at the Lenten

luncheon, which includes homemade soup, sandwiches and homemade pie from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. at St. Jerome's Catholic Church parish hall, 216 Second Ave. E., Jerome. Cost is \$5.

- Enjoy young talent at the Bel Canto dinner show at 6:30 p.m. today and Saturday at

the King Fine Arts auditorium stage, 2100 Parke Ave., Burley. Cost is \$20 per person.

Have your own pick you want to share? Something that is unique to the area and that may take people by surprise? E-mail me at patm@magicvalley.com.

Water

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new fish, wrote Dave Tuthill, Idaho Department of Water Resources director.

The order applies to pumpers in six counties with water rights newer than Nov. 16, 1972 — though members of the Idaho Dairymen's Association who participate in a plan from 2007 will not be affected. It covers about 41,000 acres of irrigated farmland. The shuttered wells are calculated to provide about 15 gallons of water every second to Clear Springs, though that's only a portion of the actual amount of water provided and it won't appear right away.

The curtailment order came after a flurry of filings in the case over the past two weeks, prompted by Tuthill's announcement that — with only one plan in front of him — he planned to rule on the proposed financial compensation shortly in order to have something in place by the time the irrigation season

began. Just one month before, he had ordered both sides into negotiations that failed to resolve the matter.

Clear Springs and a number of surface-water users criticized the earlier plan, fearing a precedent, and argued Tuthill didn't have the authority to force it upon the fish farm. The director agreed in the end, noting he only has limited authority to approve a plan that doesn't provide water.

The order now leaves pumpers scrambling to find a solution before the shutoff does too much damage. Lynn Tominaga, executive director of the Idaho Ground Water Appropriators, said Thursday that the pumpers had done their best to find something that satisfied Clear Springs. He said curtailment could cause more than \$100 million in damage to the Magic Valley's economy, and criticized the fish company's resistance to all of the pumpers' efforts — noting

that during negotiations it had asked for 20 to 30 times the amount of money the pumpers had calculated was fair.

"They have fought us every tooth and nail along the way," he said.

The pumpers do have some more ideas to try, Tominaga said, including drilling a well in a different aquifer to provide the water. Part of the problem with their suggestions is that the pumpers' scientists are used to making up shortages for row crops, noted Randy MacMillan, Clear Springs' vice president of research and environmental affairs.

MacMillan acknowledged the difficulty of providing just the right mix of water for growing healthy fish, and said the order creates an opportunity for both sides to try again to hash an agreement out.

"It's disturbing to us that it has come down to this," he said.

Shearman

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apparently was fired from a previous job in Missouri. The commissioner helped fill in for the missing director on Thursday afternoon.

SIRCOMM handles dispatch duties for law enforcement and emergency personnel in Gooding, Jerome, Lincoln and Twin Falls counties, except for the city of Twin Falls. The board, made up of one commissioner from each of the counties, announced Wednesday's meeting as an emergency meeting to address ongoing technical problems with the center's system and amended the agenda that afternoon.

Jerome County Commission Chairman Charlie Howell, a board member, had confirmed last week to the *Times-News* that some sort of investigation was taking place at the dispatch center.

Shearman, who had driven a company car to work on Wednesday, was taken home to Twin Falls by a Jerome County Sheriff's deputy, Mikesell said. The director told the board he was not

carrying a weapon at the time.

Though board members did not bring it up, the *Times-News* also learned Thursday that Shearman had been let go from a job for Callaway County in Missouri before he came to Idaho.

Lee Fritz, the presiding commissioner for the county, said Shearman headed the county's emergency operations center for about a year or so before he was let go for insubordination. Fritz declined to say more on the matter, citing personnel issues, and said his county wasn't aware of any past problems when they hired Shearman.

Howell said Thursday that he did believe Shearman was employed by Callaway County at one point, and that officials knew about the firing but that such acts don't always indicate wrongdoing. Mikesell said a full background and reference search was conducted when Shearman was hired.

Shearman could not be contacted Thursday for com-

ment on his current situation or his old job.

The news comes as the Joint Powers Board, also at Wednesday afternoon's meeting, cleared the way for SIRCOMM to purchase new amplification units to repair gaps in its transmitting area.

Shearman said last month that the center's 15-year-old system was starting to decay, and that dispatchers had been forced to shut down all but four core radio channels. Board members have now granted the center permission to spend close to \$40,000 on new parts essentially built from scratch. But the board and SIRCOMM staff must now look for areas in its tight budget to recoup the cost, said Howell and Gooding County Commission Chairman Tom Faulkner.

Faulkner said SIRCOMM has about \$30,000 left in a repair budget it could pull from, but spending that would leave the budget empty for the rest of the year. In the end, the counties may have to help pay for the equipment.

Latham

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The confusion comes after KeyBank alleged that the former Latham auto group violated financing agreements, failed to pay the bank, denied inspections of cars, and surpassed limits on the number of used cars they could sell.

Frank and Reaves were both general managers of

the former Latham Motors.

The Lathams operated Latham Motors in downtown Twin Falls, which closed in October, as well as Hertz of Magic Valley and Latham's Auto Super Store in Elko, Nev.. Those dealerships closed February.

KeyBank in court papers alleges that vehicles from

the former Hertz and Latham auto dealership were "secreted" to other locations after it closed, including the offices of 1-800-Finance.

Dozens of vehicles have since been seized by the bank.

Joshua Palmer may be reached at 208-735-3231.

Frank

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to her collapse and clouded her memory.

"The point is, ladies and gentlemen, Jacobi Patterson isn't sure what happened to her and her story changes," Roark told the jury.

Under the state law that was passed in 2005, prosecutors did not have to prove Patterson was injured or Frank tried to kill her. Haws has described Frank as a jealous ex-boyfriend who lost control of his emotions. He said Thursday Frank's

actions prove he planned to strangle her because he was angry when he entered the house, and a chokehold is use to inflict pain.

"Why do you have your arm around someone's neck if it's not the intent to strangle or choke them?" he asked the jury. "Common sense says a chokehold is called a chokehold for a reason — it chokes you. It's not a love hug."

But Roark disagreed, and made reference to a colleague who used to joke around by wrapping his

arm around a friend's neck; children who throw their arms around parents in swimming pools; and college students who try to hold back friends in a fight.

Minidoka County School District superintendent Scott Rogers said this week that Frank was initially placed on administrative leave but later reinstated by the school board after the recommendation by legal counsel.

Jared S. Hopkins may be reached at 208-420-8371.

Crime

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same crimes.

The parents were arrested after their daughter, Jasmine Gorbenko, 2, died of burns, smoke inhalation, or a combination of the two, following the Feb. 19, 2008, fire at their home at 441 Gardner Ave. Authorities assert the child was left unsupervised with her 1-year-old brother, Emmanuel Gorbenko Jr., who also suffered smoke inhalation.

Law enforcement officials say the couple had left the children home alone before and had been warned to not do so again.

Stepan Kutran, father of the children, pleaded guilty last month to identical charges and faces a year more in prison than his wife: three to five years.

The prison terms were negotiated between prosecutors and the Kutrans' public defenders in plea agreements filed with the court.

Twin Falls County Prosecutor Grant Loebs said Kutran's sentence is proposed to be longer than his wife's because he has a prior criminal conviction of burglary in



ASHLEY SMITH/Times-News
Inna Gorbenko-Kutran, a mother charged with involuntary manslaughter for the house fire death of her young daughter, pleaded guilty to the charge in a Twin Falls court on Thursday.

another state.

"I think it's the best resolution of the case given the facts and given the people involved," said Loebs.

Gorbenko-Kutran was emotional at her Thursday hearing in Twin Falls 5th District Court, crying as Judge Randy Stoker read aloud the charges against her.

She was adamant that she didn't mean for her child to die.

"I don't think I caused the

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WATCH: Video excerpts from the hearing.

death of my kid," she said through a Russian-speaking translator. "But I understand my mistake ... I left my kids unsupervised without (an) adult."

Gorbenko-Kutran is an American citizen unlike her husband, who faces possible deportation.

Authorities say the fire may have started on a porch at the Kutrans' home. Police found Jasmine unsupervised in a front bedroom where the windows had imploded, and Emmanuel was located in a back bedroom.

Gorbenko-Kutran conceded that she thinks a jury would have convicted her.

She has two surviving children, and the state wants her parental rights terminated. A hearing on that is pending.

Her sentencing hearing is set for May 4. Stepan Kutran will be sentenced April 10.

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Big Lost	85%	68%
Little Lost	89%	69%
Henry's Fork/Teton	82%	68%
Upper Snake Basin	93%	76%
Oakley	78%	68%
Salmon Falls	89%	77%
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You don't say
Steve Crump



And now the rest of the story ...

Victor Graybeal took Paul Harvey's photograph every time the legendary radio newsmen came to Twin Falls, and Harvey visited Twin Falls often during the 1950s ...

Harvey, who died last weekend at age 90, was a close friend and college classmate of Frank MacIntire, founder and owner of KLIX, Twin Falls' first TV station ... Graybeal was in charge of visuals for the station ...

There's a 1953 photo of Harvey and MacIntire in MacIntire's office and a 1957 picture of Harvey, MacIntire, Realtor James Koutnik, farmer Bob Blastock and banker Harry Eaton fishing at Blue Lakes in the Snake River Canyon ...

"It was kind of a publicity stunt," recalled Graybeal, now 85 ... "He (Harvey) caught one fish" ...

Graybeal recalls the broadcaster as friendly and talkative ...

"Nice guy," Graybeal said ... "I saw a lot of him over the years" ...

Harvey, whose 75-year broadcasting career continued until last year, had a huge following in south-central Idaho almost from the day ABC put him on the air nationally in 1951 ... His trademark open, "Hello Americans, I'm Paul Harvey. You know what the news is. In a minute, you're going to hear ... the rest of the story," was familiar to three generations of Idahoans ...

Graybeal's library of still photographs include celebrities ranging from Marilyn Monroe to Louis Armstrong ... Camera in hand, he managed to cross paths with the rich and the famous when they visited south-central Idaho ...

LOTS OF ALUMS: A recent column about alumni of the Magic Valley's three defunct colleges failed to discover any living gradu-



Photos courtesy VIC GRAYBEAL
Broadcaster Paul Harvey fishes with James Koutnik, Bob Blastock and Harry Eaton at Blue Lakes in November 1957.

DO TELL

If it's odd, poignant, funny or weird and it happens in south-central Idaho, I want to hear about it. Call 735-3223, or write me at scrump@magicvalley.com.

ates of Gooding College, but there are lots of former students of Magic Valley Christian College still out there ...

"As secretary-treasurer of the MVCC alumni association, I wanted to let you know that we have a mailing list of several hundred alumni and faculty, and an e-mail communication between over 100 students faculty, wrote Mary Lynne Bristol of Albion ... "We hold a homecoming every two years and just held the 50th anniversary of the beginning of the college last August that was attended by over 100. We are gathering more names all the time" ...

MVCC, owned by the Churches of Christ, operated on the old Albion Normal School campus from 1958-69, when it was folded into Baker (Ore.) College ...

Steve Crump is the Times-News Opinion editor.



Paul Harvey with then-KLIX owner Frank MacIntire in Twin Falls in 1953.

Castleford mayor Ruffing resigns

By Blair Koch
Times-News correspondent

CASTLEFORD — Castleford Mayor Rita Ruffing will step down as the city's head administrator.

During Wednesday's council meeting Ruffing made her resignation official, citing "personal reasons." Her last day on the job will be March 15.

"It is just time for me to go," Ruffing said.

Ruffing has served as Castleford's mayor since 2002 and spent two years on the city council prior to that. Her current term expires at the end of this year. Ruffing said her decision to not seek reelection in November was well known by the council

but did not give any specific reasons for cutting her term short.

"It's been a pleasure working for the city, with its current council and all the past council members. I can't say enough about the town," Ruffing said.

Castleford recently finished construction and installation of an arsenic treatment facility, needed to lower the arsenic content in the city's potable water to under 10 parts per billion. Part of the federal mandate to have the facility up and running includes the need for the city to have a certified water operator and certified back-up operator. Ruffing was both.

Now the city will need a

new mayor, as well as certified operators.

Councilman Richard Schlund said he was hoping Ruffing would complete her term, giving the city more time to plan ahead.

"Hopefully we can find someone certified that is willing to do the job Rita was," said Councilman Richard Schlund.

A replacement for Ruffing could cost the city quite a bit more money.

Ruffing was compensated \$75 a month for her role as mayor and \$1,500 for her work with city water and wastewater operations. She spent a lot of time at city hall, typically 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Thursday, and countless

hours overseeing the city's arsenic project, a huge undertaking spanning several years.

"She's done a good job up there ... the city has quite an undertaking in finding someone new," Schlund said.

In the meantime, city officials are thankful for the time Ruffing has served.

"We hated to see her resign but there was nothing we could do, except respect her decision," said Council President Twila Crawford, who will fill the role as interim mayor until someone is appointed by the council.

Blair Koch may be reached at 208-316-2607 or blairkoch@gmail.com.

Judge grants new evidence discovery in Johnson case

By Ariel Hansen
Times-News writer

HAILEY — On Wednesday, 5th District Court Judge R. Barry Wood gave some new hope to Sarah Johnson, the woman convicted four years ago of killing her parents in 2003, when she was 16.

The judge granted all the discovery asked for by Johnson's attorney, Christopher Simms, related to a fingerprint that was recently identified from the weapon used to kill Johnson's parents. Simms asked for full automated fingerprint searches; background checks on the man the fingerprint belongs to, Christopher Hill; and Blaine County Sheriff's Office records of their investigation into Hill, including photos of him and high-quality images of his fingerprints.

The state, represented by Jessica Lorello, said it was prepared to release to Simms on Monday the follow-up police reports and fingerprint records, but argued that the ink fingerprints and photos of Hill shouldn't be released.

Wood ruled that unless the state can come up with better reasons to withhold that



Johnson

(Judge) Wood ruled that unless the state can come up with better reasons to withhold that material, it must be released to (attorney Christopher) Simms.

material, it must be released to Simms. Simms also asked that any further investigative reports generated on this issue be disclosed to him.

According to court records, Simms said his "abiding opinion after having reviewed the record is that Ms. Johnson did not kill her parents and deserves a new trial." He declined to speak outside the courtroom about the case, citing ethical concerns.

Blaine County Sheriff Walt Femling has previously said his office has fully investigated Hill, and found that the man had legitimate reasons to have handled the items his fingerprints were found on — a rifle scope and ammunition box insert. Hill was the roommate of a man who rented a

guesthouse on the Johnson property, and had helped him move into the residence. Hill had also legally fired the

weapon prior to the murders, Femling said.

"We feel extremely confident there's no connection between that person and Sarah Johnson," he said in February. "It's fully explainable. She is guilty."

The next hearing scheduled in the Johnson case is on June 2. Johnson is serving two life terms at the Pocatello Women's Correctional Facility.

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TWIN FALLS COUNTY THURSDAY ARRAIGNMENTS

Travis Joe Pederson, 21, Buhl; driving without privileges; April 14 pretrial; \$500 bond; pleaded not guilty; public defender appointed
Travis Joe Pederson, 21, Buhl; possession of a controlled substance; March 13 preliminary hearing; public defender appointed
Jay Wade Bodenhofer, 21, Twin Falls; DUI; \$500 bond; not guilty plea; public defender appointed; April 14 pretrial

Hagerman School District seeks support for plant facility levy

By Kimberly Williams-Brackett
Times-News correspondent

HAGERMAN — The Hagerman School District asked the Hagerman City Council on Wednesday for its support of a 10-year plant facility levy to provide \$20,000 annually for building upkeep.

District Superintendent Ron Echols said the levy "won't affect taxes" because the district will save \$23,000 per year after refinancing a current bond levy earlier this year.

Funds from the levy can only be used for facility upgrades, maintenance and repairs, and upgrading properties owned by the district, said Echols. The levy would

provide: new heating and air conditioning units at the elementary school; new lights at the elementary school and Prince Memorial Gym; possible purchase of private properties that adjoin school properties; and general maintenance, including new paint and carpeting.

Heating and lighting are not only needed, but will be more energy efficient and cost effective, resulting in financial savings for the district each month, Echols said.

There will be a public meeting to discuss the levy at 7 p.m. March 24 in the Hagerman Elementary School Multipurpose Room.

The levy election will be held from noon to 8 p.m.

April 1 at the Hagerman Elementary School and the Upper Salmon Power Plant. Voters must be registered or may register at the polling sites on the day of the election. Absentee voting is available.

Echols said the levy must pass with a 60 percent majority.

Councilman Carl Jeffries asked Echols if there was an increase in enrollment in the Hagerman School District due to students transferring from Gooding schools. Echols said enrollment has been steady this year despite losing students last year.

Kimberly Williams-Brackett may be reached at gusandkim@rtci.net.

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T.F. County repeals canal setbacks

Builders in Twin Falls County will find it a little bit easier now to work around irrigation canals.

County commissioners voted Monday to repeal several sections of code requiring minimum 30-foot setbacks from all canal rights-of-way held by canal companies and irrigation districts. The sections were last revised in 1998, according to the versions linked to on the county's Web site.

Commission Chairman George Urie said the requirement was excessive and caused problems developing some lots in the county. The change was supported by the Twin Falls Canal Co., he said.

"By removing that, it makes the lots more buildable," Urie said. "The canal still has the space they need and the access they need for cleaning."

The canal company's existing easements are 50 feet for main canals, 30 feet for larger laterals and 16 feet for smaller laterals.

Jerome County investigating shooting

Jerome County Sheriff's Office officials said a 28-year-old man was shot Wednesday night at a residence on the 100 block of Main Street in Hazelton.

Authorities think the man

— whose name is not being released — accidentally shot himself, and was taken by helicopter to a Boise hospital.

The shooting is still under investigation, said Jerome County Sheriff Doug McFall. "All appearances are that it is an accidental, self-inflicted gunshot wound," he said.

Adamson sentencing delayed three weeks

Health-care company administrator and former gubernatorial candidate Dan Adamson will not return to federal court until the end of March, according to court documents.

Adamson, originally from Twin Falls, was set to be sentenced Monday in Pocatello after pleading guilty to one count of willful failure to pay income taxes for his business, Northwest Bec-Corp. But the sentencing was delayed to March 30 to accommodate his lawyers, who were involved in another case for much of February. They told U.S. District Judge B. Lynn Winmill they needed more time to prepare for sentencing and resolve a few issues with the U.S. Probation Office.

The judge granted the delay on Tuesday. Adamson could face as much as five years in prison and have to repay \$7.5 million in taxes.

— Staff reports

Luna: Stimulus not a cure for ed cuts

By Ben Botkin
Times-News writer

State budget cuts to education are still necessary, even with federal stimulus money that will be available, Superintendent of Public Instruction Tom Luna said Thursday.

In a presentation to the Joint Finance-Appropriations Committee, Luna said that trimming the education budget by \$62 million is still necessary to avoid having a larger budget hole to plug when the fiscal year 2011 budget is planned.

Luna outlined a scenario in which \$165.4 million in federal stimulus money available for budget shortfalls would be spread over three fiscal years. The breakdown was \$85 million

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for this fiscal year, \$47.3 million for fiscal 2010 and \$32.9 million for fiscal 2011.

"To me, the responsible thing is to tighten our belt now and not wait until 2011 to begin that process," Luna said.

The \$47.3 million stimulus funding for the next fiscal year would offset the 5 percent cut in funding for education personnel that JFAC approved in February.

"I think there's a percep-

tion out there among many that: Why are we even talking about cutting education at all with all this money coming in?" Luna said.

With that scenario, Luna said that an additional \$35 million in state dollars will be needed for fiscal 2011 to maintain the 2010 funding level.

Luna also said he does not support the concept of using all of the stimulus dollars before fiscal 2011 starts, adding that there would be a \$146 million state funding shortfall for 2011 if that happened.

"I think that's very irresponsible," Luna said. "I do not recommend it."

In interviews, area superintendents said they are aware that stimulus funding won't fix all the budget's ills.

But with no final deci-

sions from the state yet, local budget planning has slowed considerably.

"We knew and were told and were warned by JFAC that the stimulus package would not be a silver bullet," Minidoka County Superintendent Scott Rogers said. "I don't know what that means to us. I still can't tell you the impact. I hope by the end of March I have an idea of what I'm supposed to budget."

Gaylen Smyer, superintendent of Cassia County School District, said the district is being careful with its discretionary spending and hopes to carry over funding into next year to reduce the sting of cuts.

"We're basically in a holding pattern," he said of the district's budget planning for next year.

CSI may get \$1.4M to weather state cuts

By Ben Botkin
Times-News writer

The College of Southern Idaho may get \$1.4 million in federal stimulus money to help offset anticipated state budget cuts in the next two fiscal years.

That amount is in a proposal that Idaho State Board of Education Executive Director Mike Rush wrote Wednesday to Wayne Hammon in the state's Division of Financial Management. CSI's proposed \$1.4 million is part of the \$35.3 million in federal stimulus money anticipated for state colleges and universities to weather state budget cuts in fiscal years 2010 and 2011.

The stimulus funding "will act much like a Band-Aid does," Rush said on Thursday in a presentation to the Joint Finance-Appropriations Committee.

"Time is an absolute critical factor in managing this. We have to be really, really careful how we improve our efficiencies."

— Idaho State Board of Education Executive Director Mike Rush

Rush's proposal to Gov. C.L. "Butch" Otter's stimulus panel includes the following:

- \$30.5 million for four-year universities and Lewis-Clark State College.
- \$3.27 million for community colleges, including CSI.
- \$1.5 million for technical colleges.

The proposed spending schedule for the funds is to use 62 percent in fiscal 2010 and the remaining 38 percent in fiscal 2011, Rush said. For CSI, that would mean \$781,800 in fiscal 2010 and \$480,100 in 2011.

By spending more the first year, universities and colleges have time to adjust their contracts and plan

long-term trimming without hasty decisions, Rush said.

"Time is an absolute critical factor in managing this," he said. "We have to be really, really careful how we improve our efficiencies."

The amount of funding proposed for the institutions is based on their anticipated state budget cuts, Rush said.

While part of the stimulus law is aimed at keeping tuition down, Rush said he couldn't guarantee that colleges and universities will not raise tuition because of the stimulus. Other expenses unrelated to state budget cuts might lead to increased costs, he said.

"I can't stand here and say

there won't be any fee increases," Rush said.

CSI's tuition recently was increased from \$95 to \$100 per credit. CSI officials are waiting for final stimulus and state budget numbers before they'll know if rescinding the tuition increase needs to be considered.

Mike Mason, CSI's vice president of administration, said the college isn't sure yet what its final state budget cut for the next fiscal year will be.

This year, 4-percent holdbacks are about \$776,000, and that figure could reach slightly more than \$1 million if an additional 2 percent is trimmed, Mason said.

Besides state cuts, other factors affecting CSI's budget next year include possible health insurance increases and opening the new health sciences and human services building, Mason said.

Two arrested for forging thousands in \$100 bills

By Ariel Hansen
Times-News writer

HAILEY — The Blaine County Sheriff's Office, in conjunction with the U.S. Secret Service and Sun Valley Police Department, arrested two California residents on Wednesday on charges of forgery.

The arrests follow a warning last month by Jerome police that counterfeit \$100 bills were being circulated in the city. Two other California residents were arrested by Twin Falls police on Sunday when they tried to use counterfeit bills at Magic Valley Mall.

The two arrested on Wednesday evening had driven to Idaho from California to pick up \$14,000 in real and fake cash from a rental vehicle near Airport Way in Hailey, said Blaine County Sheriff Walt Femling.

The suspects in the Blaine County case are 34-year-old Sandra Cubillos-Bernal of Northridge, Calif., and 31-year-old Cesar Amaya-Mendez of Reseda, Calif. Both are in the U.S. illegally, from Colombia and Mexico, and are wanted by Immigrations and Customs Enforcement, Femling said. They were to be arraigned Thursday.

"We had previously



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searched the van and seized the money, and we set the van back up with envelopes of phony money and then did a stakeout on the van," Femling said. Of the \$14,000, about \$10,000 is believed to be counterfeit, with the remainder proceeds from previous passage of counterfeit bills. Femling believes those bills were passed in southeast and central Idaho, although none have been reported in Blaine County.

The case is still under active investigation, Femling said, with more arrests possible. The Blaine County Sheriff's Office works with the Secret Service periodically, and called in the federal agency to participate in this joint investigation, Femling said.

Man at border asks for manners, gets pepper spray

BLAINE, Wash. (AP) — A Canadian says he got a face full of pepper spray after repeatedly asking a U.S. border inspector in Blaine, Wash., to say please.

Desiderio Fortunato says he thought the inspector who told him to turn off his engine Monday was rude and asked him to say please.

The 54-year-old British Columbia resident told The Bellingham Herald that the inspector repeatedly ordered him to turn the car off and then said he would spray him if he didn't.

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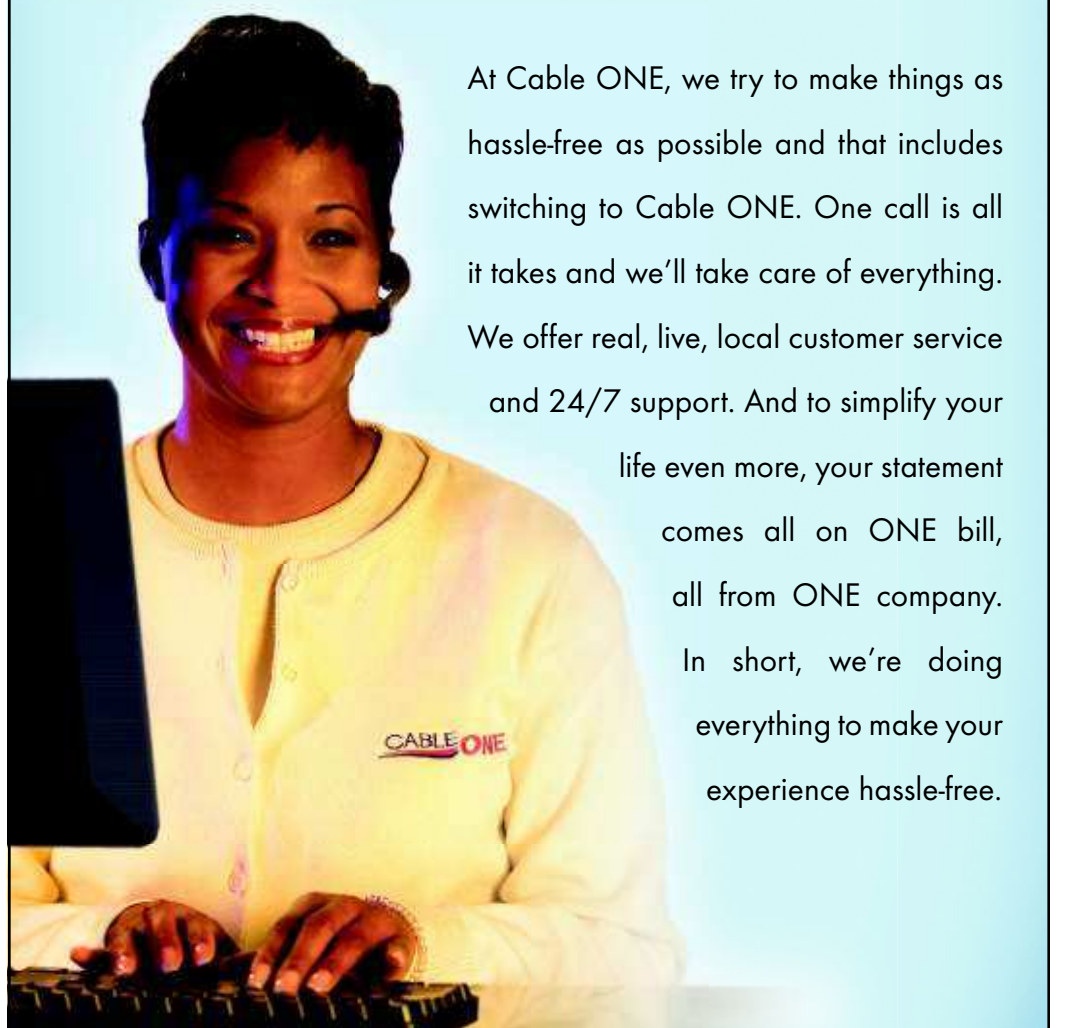
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Crews pull man from Filer rest area toilet after he tried to retrieve his keys

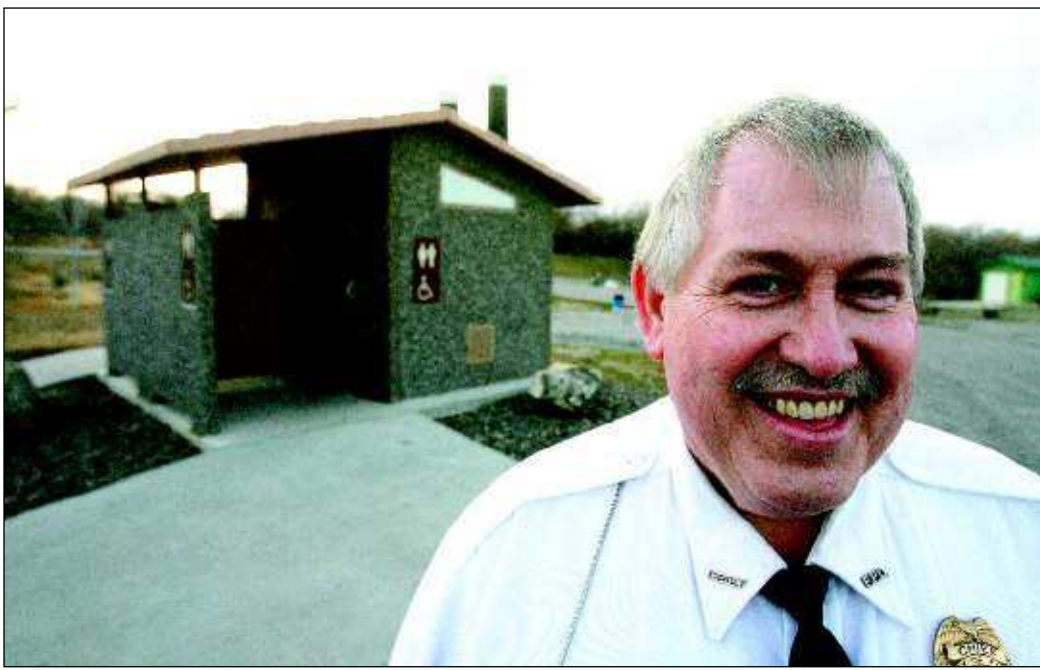
By David Cooper
Times-News writer

You could call it a new version of "the road less traveled."

Filer emergency crews retrieved an unidentified Ada County man from a rest area toilet Thursday afternoon, after he climbed into a waste tank and became stuck.

The man was found just before noon by another driver that stopped at the U.S. Highway 30 rest area west of town, according to Filer Police Chief Cliff Johnson. Filer police responded to a 911 call, along with the Filer Fire Department, Filer Quick Response and a paramedic from St. Luke's Magic Valley Medical Center.

Johnson said the man, who asked police not to be identified, was unable to find his car keys after using the lavatory. Thinking his keys had fallen in the tank, the man removed a round plastic cover at the base of the toilet and climbed in to



Filer Police Chief Cliff Johnson said emergency crews responded to this Filer-area rest stop on U.S. Highway 30 on Thursday to help a man climb out of a toilet after he went in looking for his keys and got stuck.



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WATCH: An interview from the scene of the restroom rescue.

find them. Once inside he was unable to pull himself out, and waited until someone else arrived.

"He hadn't been there too long, only 10 or 15 minutes,"

Johnson said.

At least 10 emergency response personnel responded to the 911 call, according to Johnson and a dispatch supervisor at

Southern Idaho Regional Communication Center.

Eventually the man was retrieved through an access hole used to pump the waste out of the tank.

"It took some lifting to get him out, and he had cut himself pretty good trying to get himself out," Johnson said.

The man was allowed to wash off with the fire truck

"He didn't want to give (his name) to us, and that was fine with us. We didn't want to embarrass him any more than that."

— Taylor Hunsaker,
a dispatch supervisor
at SIRCOMM

hose at the scene, where he made another painful discovery.

"That's when he discovered the keys were still in his back pocket," Johnson said.

Both the SIRCOMM supervisor and Johnson said crews didn't ask the man for his name, which wasn't required since no charges or citation were issued.

"He didn't want to give it to us, and that was fine with us," said Taylor Hunsaker, a dispatch supervisor at SIRCOMM. "We didn't want to embarrass him any more than that."

"It was recommended that he seek some medical treatment and get himself cleaned up," Johnson said.

FOR THE RECORD

Cassia County police reports for March 4

First-degree burglary:

A CD player was stolen from a vehicle at A&S Auto in Burley. No suspects.

Disturbing the peace:

A 15-year-old male at Burley High School was cited for disturbing the peace after a Feb. 27 incident in which he and his friend "flipped each other off" and again after a March 2 incident in which he told a teacher to "shut the (expletive) up." The charges derive from the classroom(s) being diverted from school work.

Harassment:

A 17-year-old male was questioned about telling a 17-year-old female that he had sex with her mother. He was warned by police "to not be saying those things."

Warrant:

A 13-year-old male attending the alternative school in Burley was cited for "joy riding" and served two detention orders for curfew violations.

Animal cruelty:

A male, 31, and a female, 30, both of Burley, were charged with cruelty to animals when police discovered two dogs at their residence that were "confined in unsanitary conditions or in inadequate facilities and the owners failed to provide sustenance, water, or shelter." The female said her husband hadn't been working and that she couldn't afford to feed both her children and the dogs.

No-contact-order violation:

Margarita De la Cruz, 20, of Burley, violated a no-contact order — which started in November. Police attempted to contact Vargas.

Driving violation:

Brandon Barrera, 26, of Paul, was cited for driving with a suspended license after being pulled over for driving 75 mph in a 55 mph zone.

Stalking:

An 18-year-old Burley female reported a stalking incident. No charges were filed. Police are following up on the incident.

Domestic battery:

Police arrived at a Burley home to check on a domestic problem. Jason Vandiver, 38, was arrested despite his girlfriend's explanation for her wrist injury was that she was fell "wearing fuzzy socks and the kitchen floor was slippery."

Sudden death:

A Burley woman, 71, was found dead at her home after her husband called for help. The woman had a history of medical problems and was on "Gemfrol, Zykothroxm, Synthroid, Precardia, Spirion, Ambien, Lyrica, Fursomme, and Albuterol." Nothing suspicious reported.

— Damon Hunzeker

Courthouse renovation, indigent costs increased Minidoka budget in '08

Animal control, community college costs go down

By Laurie Welch
Times-News writer

Minidoka County's nearly \$9 million budget last year reflected money spent on a major courthouse renovation project as well as burgeoning costs for indigent care and maintaining county vehicles.

Major changes in county expenses from 2007 to 2008 included \$357,861 more on building and grounds due to the courthouse remodeling project and almost \$150,000 more on public assistance for indigent claims that totaled \$427,000, according to an audit report presented Monday to the Minidoka County Commissioners by Gary Price of Garald Price & Associates of Burley.

Other increases in spending showed up as \$78,900 more in the sheriff's depart-

ment that included a \$13,700 increase in health insurance costs as well as \$19,800 more spent on maintenance and operation costs for the department's vehicles, according to the report.

The county also spent \$14,400 more for its share of costs for the Mini-Cassia Drug Task Force. Juvenile probation costs increased \$42,500, reflecting a department that is fully staffed this year, according to the report.

Decreases in spending included animal control,

which was down \$7,181, and community college costs that declined \$31,000. State laws require counties to pay a portion of tuition for residents attending junior college. The decrease stems from a decline in the number of student credit-hours billed to the county, the report said.

Reduced federal and state revenue was the major cause of a shrinking fund balance.

According to the report, the fund balance in the county during the year decreased \$344,174

to \$2.8 million.

Property tax assessments account for 42 percent of the county's revenue, while 22 percent came from the state and federal government. State sales tax accounted for nearly 70 percent of funding the county received from the state.

Revenue shortfalls of \$71,933 in sales tax, \$37,430 in federal payment-in-lieu of taxes, and \$39,752 interest on investments all contributed to the smaller fund balance, the report said.

MONTANA ASBESTOS TRIAL

Property owner: Grace knew asbestos risk

MISSOULA, Mont. (AP) — A woman who purchased property from a defunct vermiculite mine in Libby says she received a copy of a letter written by the mine manager saying he knew the risks of asbestos in the vermiculite.

And a physician, testifying as an expert government witness, said he has diagnosed 1,800 people with asbestos-related diseases, all of whom had been exposed to asbestos fibers in Libby.

W.R. Grace & Co., based in Columbia, Md., and five former company officials are on trial on federal allegations that they knowingly exposing the residents of the small town to asbestos fibers that have killed hundreds and sickened thousands.

The trial resumes Monday morning.

Lerah Parker testified Wednesday that former mine manager Alan Stringer's letter to W.R. Grace officials said: "I knew that there was a health problem associated with exposure to asbestos for both employees and their families when the mine and mill were still operating."

Parker says she met with Stringer for coffee after reading the letter and the two chatted for several minutes.

"And then I said, 'Alan, tell me honestly, as a friend, in selling us the property, did you know this was going to happen to us?'" she said tearfully. "Alan just looked at me and put his coffee down and left. And I knew he had lied to us all the time."

Stringer, who was initially charged in the case, died in 2007.

Assistant U.S. Attorney Kris McLean then asked Parker about her medical condition.



AP file photo
Gayla Benefield holds the cowboy hat of Les Skramstad, a friend and mine worker who died of asbestosis, during a break in the trial at the Russell Smith Federal District Courthouse in Missoula, Mont., on Feb. 23.

"I have signs of disease on my right lung. It's asbestosis," she said.

Parker and her husband, Mel, brought the property from Grace in the early 1990s. They built a nursery and used vermiculite left on the property to plant fruit trees and mushrooms. When soil samples showed the property was covered with asbestos-laced tremolite from the mine, the Parkers were forced to shut down the business and move.

Mel Parker testified

Tuesday that Grace offered \$950,000 and then \$1.2 million for the property in the spring of 2000. The couple didn't take the offer because of concerns over taxes and limits on what demolition costs Grace would cover, he said.

The prosecution wanted to call the Parkers to testify last, but the couple wanted to be able to sit in on the trial so U.S. District Judge Donald Molloy moved up their testimony so they could observe the rest of the trial.

Another government witness, Dr. Alan Whitehouse of Spokane, Wash., said the Parkers were among the 1,800 people he diagnosed while working at Libby's Center for Asbestos-related Disease, which was established to screen concerned Libby residents.

Whitehouse testified Wednesday that former Libby miners make up about 25 percent of the town's sickened population, family members of Grace workers comprise another 25 percent and community residents with no history of occupational exposures represent half the sickened community.

Whitehouse said Libby has the nation's highest rate of the asbestos-related disease mesothelioma.

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— Rep. John Dingell on problems being encountered in the Food and Drug Administration

EDITORIAL

Doing the right thing with daycare

Still think day-care center regulation is none of the state's business? Several years ago, fire marshals walked into a home-based child-care facility in Nampa to find babies locked in closed bins, state Sen. Tim Corder, R-Mountain Home, told a Senate committee on Wednesday.

"They were made from pieces of plywood and chipboard," Corder said. "Each of them had a hasp. Cubbyholes designed for infants with no air holes, with solid doors."

None of which is currently illegal in Idaho.

While the fire marshal was on the phone with the Idaho Health and Welfare Department, a young mother walked in, opened a cubby hole, put her infant in it, shut the door and locked it, Corder said.

Our view: Day-care licensing in Idaho is no longer a question of regulation; it's a moral issue.

What do you think? We welcome viewpoints from our readers on this and other issues.

That was enough even for the socially conservative Health and Welfare Committee, which voted 8-1 for a proposal by Corder and state Rep. George Saylor, D-Coeur d'Alene, to require day-care centers serving four or more children to be certified for fire and safety standards, to pass health inspections, to perform criminal background checks on employees, and to maintain certain child-provider ratios.

The measure, probably facing amendment, now goes to the full Senate. Similar bills by Saylor have died in the House Health and Welfare Committee in the past.

Foes in the House couldn't come up with rational reasons to oppose the bills, so they complained that day-care regulation was the a big step toward a nanny government and would encourage women to work instead of staying home with their kids.

Those arguments were threadbare then, and absurd now.

We're more fortunate than we deserve to be that conditions at that Nampa daycare — or one like it around the state — didn't end in tragedy. This is no longer a debate over regulation; it's a moral issue.

The Senate should pass Corder and Saylor's bill, the House should follow suit and Gov. C.L. "Butch" Otter should sign it.

De-porking D.C.? Obama's off to a bad start

WASHINGTON — If only Shakespeare had known how to Twitter.

There was a bit of King Lear in the scene on the Senate floor, a stormy, solitary John McCain on "this great stage of fools," as the Bard wrote, railing against both parties and the president in fiery speeches and rapid-fire tweets.

"He's mad that trusts in the tameness of a wolf, a horse's health, a boy's love, or a whore's oath," the Fool told Lear.

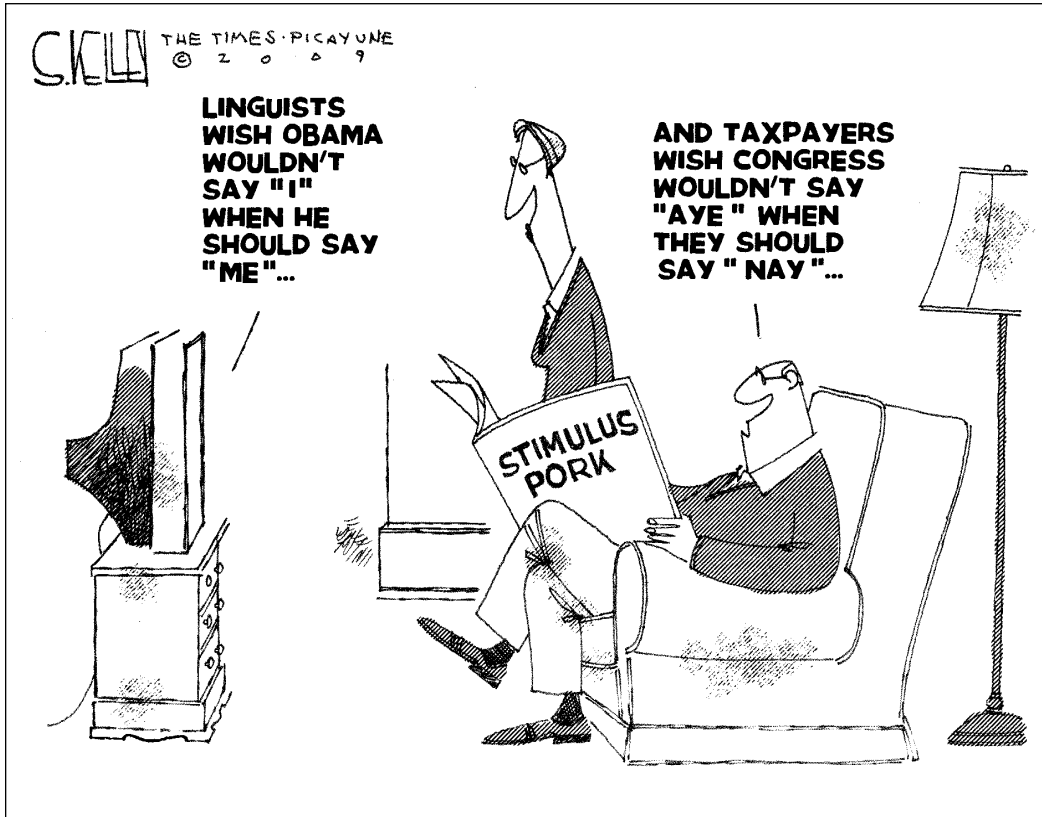
And he's truly mad that trusts in the promise of a presidential candidate to quell earmarks.



The 72-year-old senator who seemed hopelessly 20th century when he confessed during the campaign that he didn't know how to use a computer or send an e-mail has now mastered the latest technology fad, twittering up a twizzard to tweak his former rival.

Before the Senate resoundingly defeated a McCain amendment on Tuesday that would have shorn 9,000 earmarks worth \$7.7 billion from the \$410 billion spending bill, the Arizona senator twittered lists of offensive bipartisan pork, including:

- \$2.1 million for the Center for Grape Genetics in New York.
- \$1.7 million for a honey bee factory in Weslaco, Texas.
- \$1.7 million for pig odor research in Iowa.
- \$1 million for Mormon cricket control in Utah.
- \$819,000 for catfish genetics research in Alabama.
- \$650,000 for beaver management in North Carolina and Mississippi.
- \$951,500 for "Sustainable" Las Vegas.
- \$2 million "for the promotion of astronomy"
- \$167,000 for the Autry National Center for the



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American West in Los Angeles.

- \$238,000 for the Polynesian Voyaging Society in Hawaii.
- \$200,000 for tattoo-removal violence-outrage program to help gang members or others shed visible signs of their past. "Really?" McCain twittered.
- \$209,000 to improve blueberry production and efficiency in Georgia.

"When do we turn off the spigots?" McCain said in his *cri de coeur* on the Senate floor. "Haven't we learned anything? Bills like this jeopardize our future."

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He's been lecturing us on the need to prune away frills while the economy fizzles.

"You know, there are times where you can afford to redecorate your house and there are times where you need to focus on rebuilding its foundation," he said

recently about the "hard choices" we must make. Yet he did not ask Congress to sacrifice and make hard choices; he let it do a lot of frivolous redecorating in its budget.

He reckons he'll need Congress for more ambitious projects, like health care, and when he goes back to wheedle more bailout billions, given that AIG and GM and our other corporate protectorates are burning through our money faster than we can print it and borrow it from the ever-more-alarmingly Chinese.

Team Obama sounds hollow, chanting that "the status quo is not acceptable," even while conceding that the president is accepting the status quo by signing a budget festooned with pork.

Obama spinners insist it was "a leftover budget." But Iraq was leftover, too, and the president's trying to end that. This is the first pork-filled budget from a new president who promised to go through the budget "line by line" and cut pork.

On "Face the Nation" on Sunday, Obama's chief of staff, Rahm Emanuel, dismissed the bill as "last year's business," because most of it was written last year.

But given how angry Americans are, watching their future go up in smoke, the bloated bill counts as this year's business.

It includes \$38.4 million of earmarks sponsored or co-sponsored by Obama's labor secretary, Hilda Solis; \$109 million Hillary Clinton signed on to; and \$31.2 million in earmarks sought by Transportation Secretary Ray LaHood with colleagues.

And then there are the 16 earmarks worth \$8.5 million that Emanuel put into the bill when he was a congressman, including money for streets in Chicago suburbs and a Chicago planetarium.

Blame it on the stars, Rahm, or on old business. But as Shakespeare wrote in "Lear": "This is the excellent foppery of the world, that, when we are sick in fortune — often the surfeit of our own behavior — we make guilty of our own disasters, the sun, the moon, and the stars."

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Gays shouldn't be treated like second-class citizens

I would like to first thank the *Times-News* on their stand for gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender equality when I read the article, "Legislature continues it's old, tired, gay bashing ways." I was happy to note that the *Times-News* took a stand for our rights.

I as a lesbian woman, along with all the members of the GLBT community, were furious when we found out that the State Affairs Committee refused to even print the bill that would guarantee us in the GLBT community protection from discrimination in employ-

ment, education and housing. I also want to also ask the same question that the article asked to our lawmakers — what are you so afraid of? What have we in the GLBT community ever done to be treated like second-class citizens?

I want to also thank Sen. LeFavour and Sen. Coiner for their stand for equality for the GLBT community. People in Idaho need to realize that we are a part of this state, this community, this world and though they may try to sweep us under the carpet or push us back into the closets, we will not stand to be treated like second-class citizens. The article said, "We have work to

do"; it's right, we do. If we are going to make this a state, a country, a world that's safe for all people, then we truly do have a lot of work to do.

Thank you again to the *Times-News* and to all people who stand up for equality; it's you and I that will make this a better place to live in.

AMBER PAINE
Twin Falls

Nationalization of banks might be the answer

Leading economists and politicians excuse government bailout of giant banks by arguing that the banks are "too large to fail." They say that if any single one of

these tottering giants is allowed to fail, the ripple effect would disastrously degrade the economy as a whole. Whether this position is supported by empirical experience or merely a guess is unclear. In either case, it naturally begs the logical question: If conversely, the banks were all small, would the failure of any single one of them have much effect on the system? If our banks were small, unaffiliated, self-contained organizations serving only local communities, failure of one would cause no ripple effect.

However, a sudden, simultaneous loss of confidence in a multitude of

small banks could have the same effect as we're now experiencing with our huge banks. Panic in either case is the prime mover. (The effects of the "Panic of 1893" lasted four years.)

Therefore, perhaps government ownership and management, "nationalization," is the answer. It has been suggested. It might work; private banks sure haven't! Nationalization seems to have worked, after a fashion, in other countries. At least government would be accountable to the people. Private banks aren't. If government were to fail, then it would be our own fault for not electing honest, competent

managers.

Banks would have to be limited in size so that failure of any one of them would not cause significant harm. Size would, of course, have to be limited by law. This would beg a further question: Would limiting size infringe on constitutional rights?

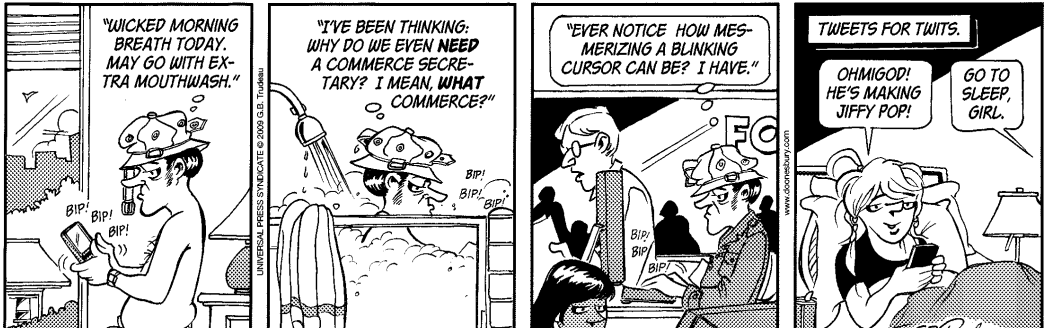
Is such a right implied or imbedded in the Constitution? The first President Roosevelt succeeded somewhat in limiting the size of businesses.

This subject and related issues involve too many interdependent variables to be sufficiently covered here.

JACK HARTLEY
Twin Falls

THE LIGHTER SIDE OF POLITICS

Doonesbury



Mallard Fillmore



By Garry Trudeau

By Bruce Tinsley

Federalism and America's financial crisis

Recently, I joined the attorneys general of all the states in asking President Obama to re-examine actions by a federal agency permanently blocking states from enforcing their consumer protection laws with regard to certain financial institutions. I am also joining a brief asking the U.S. Supreme Court to hear a case that permitted this agency to block state enforcement.

The Office of the Comptroller of the Currency is the federal agency responsible for oversight of national banks. The OCC's unprecedented seizure of regulatory authority prudently exercised by the states has contributed to the current financial crisis in our nation.

Prior to the OCC's action, parallel state and federal banking systems co-existed in the United States. This system has benefited our country for nearly 200 years.

More than five years ago, attorneys general warned the OCC of the problems of subprime loans. The OCC not only dismissed these warnings, it went further by blocking state oversight of some of the financial enti-



READER COMMENT
Lawrence Wasden

ties that contributed to the economic crisis. In the process, constitutional principles of federalism — the idea that the power to govern is shared between national and state governments — were cast aside. The result has been detrimental to all of us.

Federalism is not a new idea. President Thomas Jefferson, in his inaugural address, emphasized that "the most competent administrations for our domestic concerns" are state governments. In 1932, Justice Louis Brandeis noted the power of federalism and that states serve as valuable testing grounds where the people can apply social and economic policies to address individual concerns.

The OCC rejects this wisdom and experience.

Through the years, state legislatures have enacted comprehensive consumer

protection and banking laws to protect consumers from deceptive and predatory lenders, to ensure responsible mortgage lending, and to help preserve a stable financial market. The OCC decided to preempt these laws as they applied to national banks and all of their subsidiaries. Despite the states' warnings, the OCC pursued its preemption agenda and expanded its jurisdictional reach to levels never before seen in our country. With preemption accomplished, the OCC is the one entity left to protect consumers from national banking improprieties.

Unfortunately, the OCC has not been up to the task. Between 2000 and 2006, the OCC took only one enforcement action related to subprime lending, claiming that it had no evidence that "national banks are engaged in predatory and abusive lending practices to any discernible degree." The states' warnings to the OCC were discarded and ignored.

Today, we are suffering the consequences. National banks, because of their subprime exposure, report losses of \$100 billion. More importantly, the present

mortgage implosion has resulted in thousands of delinquencies and home foreclosures.

The point of this article is to remind us all, particularly our policymakers, of the benefits of government power rooted in federalism. For several years, I have been raising this issue to the federal courts and writing letters to Congress and federal agencies. I plan to keep pressing for Idaho's rights as a sovereign state. Federalism is too important to abandon.

No matter how much is done to repair the present financial damage, history will repeat itself if states are shunted to the sidelines and citizens are left to rely solely upon a federal agency for protection. Idaho has a historical interest and solid track record in protecting consumers and businesses from abusive practices in the marketplace. I invite the federal government to allow our state to use that expertise and skill once more to protect our citizens.

Lawrence Wasden, a Republican, has been attorney general of Idaho since 2003.

Time to cut the capital gains tax

Class warfare costs, but not the people at whom the rhetorical mortars are aimed.

The drumbeat of anger by the many at the few who travel on private planes and live in big houses is having a negative effect on those who don't.

USA Today recently carried a story about conventions that have been canceled, at least in part, due to the public's negative reaction to seeing some people having a good time while they are not. Management fears condemnation from the public, so they cancel meetings rather than risk negative media attention and public scorn.

This might make some of the enlistees in the class war feel good for the moment, but it does not improve their station in life. It is not the rich who suffer in this war. It is the middle class.

The U.S. Travel Association, according to *USA Today*, says meetings account for "about 15 percent of all travel spending, creating 2.4 million jobs, \$240 billion in spending and \$39 billion in tax revenue."

Incentive and motivational meetings generate 40 percent of the business at Marriott hotels, which reports a 12 percent decline. A spokesman blames this on the public vilification of meetings. Marriott says thousands of jobs have been lost due to reduced business. Presumably none of the newly unemployed fly on private jets or live in big houses.

When conventions don't meet, hotel rooms are unoccupied, restaurants are not patronized and wait staff do not earn tips, which figure prominently in their income. Las Vegas, alone, projects losses of \$20 million this year from Fortune 500 clients who have canceled events, according to Las Vegas Convention and Visitors Authority CEO, Rossi Ralenkotter. Last month, State Farm Insurance canceled a convention it holds every three years to honor and reward its salespeople. As a result, 17,000 agents, and their spouses, won't be contributing to the economy (or government tax revenue).

It isn't that we don't know the outcome of the misguided policy of "soaking the rich." The last time it was tried was during the administration of George H.W. Bush. A 10 percent "luxury tax" passed Congress and was signed into law by President Bush in 1991 (he opposed its repeal in 1992). Its purpose was seen as a "way of proving that the 1980s glorification of greed



CAL THOMAS

and wealth were over," in the words of a 1993 *Wall Street Journal* story by David Wessel.

During that recession, sales of luxury cars and powerboats dropped significantly, resulting not in CEOs flying coach, but in the laying off of employees from boat and private airplane companies that build private planes and yachts. When the tax was repealed in the early days of the Clinton administration, many of those who had been laid-off were rehired as sales improved.

What was that about those who do not learn from history are doomed to repeat it?

The stock market reacts not to the past, but forecasts the future. With proposed income tax increases and a boost in the capital gains tax rate, the stock market has fallen at percentage rates last seen in the Great Depression. The elderly and those about to become older Americans are seeing their savings and investments built up over a lifetime wiped out. Where is the party of compassion? Can the elderly, who have increasingly voted for Democrats after being peppered with demagoguery that Republicans will end Social Security, wake up and realize that the more rich there are, the richer they become?

President Obama can cling to liberal ideology and appease the left-wing fringe of his party, or he can do like President Clinton did and reduce capital gains taxes (how about eliminating them at least for a few years?) and watch the markets respond, re-filling individual retirement accounts and rekindling hope that millions of Americans won't have to abandon their lifestyles and their independence and become dependent on government.

This isn't about politics. It is about doing what works. We know what works. The question is will the president and congressional Democrats stop worrying about the rich and start worrying about the potential for increasing the number of poorer people?

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Galena tower debate takes on mythical qualities

The Galena tower debate has come to stand for much more than a mere cell tower. The story has now picked up certain mythic qualities. Some of the healthiest dialogue offered has come from spokespersons both for and against the tower, who occasionally contradict themselves in papers and public meetings.

Some see Idaho Tower as Atlas, not shrugging her epic efforts, though others perceive her as Medusa and don't dare look reason in the face, knowing it will crush their logic into gravel.

Suddenly, the Forest Service supervisor has selected a special path for redesignation, with the secret motive of making the tower impossible. And using labyrinthal language that only the most adept of Minotaur attorney's can follow without strings. Meanwhile, Homeland Security prepares to shift Atlas onto his own back with an improved plan to foil us all by paying two Princess Bride government

factions to swordfight it out.

While some who claim they are indigenous Idahoans, say that they prefer living in the Flintstone ages vs. the digital, we should examine the motives of others speaking against the tower, as several hold animosity against former associates or competitors from other fields who could benefit by better communications.

Citizen angst against the tower sometimes stems from dissatisfactions within, which the fuming ones project, gnashing their dragon's teeth to channel harsh sound bites onto the tower.

Whatever the outcome, people will discuss the results for decades. Astute Idaho historians should include this chapter in state history textbooks so our grandchildren may gain clearer perspectives than we have.

To harmonize history books, the Idaho Transportation Department should install a historical sign at Galena overlook, commemorating the multi-faceted tower. To appease earth-muffins and water

sprites, they could mount it smack-dab next to the new Galena landline phone, to take up less sacred Sawtooth National Recreation Area space.

JIM BANHOLZER
Hailey

If you can't obey dog laws, don't own animals

Just a response to the dog-at-large fine:

How would you like to pay a \$50,000 doctor bill plus a lawsuit for having your dog attack an 8-year-old girl. This happened last spring to my granddaughter. Now she is scarred for life both physically and mentally.

Yes, it is hard to keep track of your animal at all times, but as a responsible owner, you pay the price for whatever law they have broken. I lived in Twin Falls County back in the '80s and had a run-in with a herd of cows on Highway 30. Luckily, no one received any injuries, but the car was totaled along with three dead cows. The rancher paid for the damages.

When I lived out in the country and my dogs

attacked people or animals, even my own kids, he was shot. This happened more than once. Dogs can be very unpredictable. If you cannot obey the dog laws, you should not own one. I wish the city of Burley an Officer Rathbun.

HAL PAGE
Burley

Troops deserve support

Support our troops with a card or two!

Regardless of what you think about the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan, our unabashedly brave and selfless troops there always deserve our support and thanks, and one way to do that is sending them a free e-card at www.LetsSayThanks.com. They have lots of great hand-drawn cards from kids around the country, and you can either opt for a pre-written "thank you" or else opt for "other" and write one of your own. It's an easy, fast way to let our troops know you haven't forgotten about them and do appreciate their ongoing efforts.

JOHN PLUNTZE
Ketchum

It's getting really ugly out there for young workers

The employment situation in the U.S. is, if anything, worse than most people realize. And huge numbers of young people, ages 16 to 30, are being beaten down in ways that could leave scars for a lifetime.

Much of the attention in this economic downturn has focused on the growing legions of men and women who are officially counted as unemployed. There are now more than 11 million of them.

But a better picture of the economic distress related to employment emerges when the number of jobless Americans is combined with two other categories of workers: the underemployed (those who are working part time, for example, because they can't find full-time work) and the so-called labor force reserve, workers who have abandoned their job searches but who would work if employment became available.

This total pool of underutilized labor has now risen above 24 million, according to researchers at the Center



BOB HERBERT

for Labor Market Studies at Northeastern University in Boston. That total will only grow in the coming months.

The Obama administration has more than enough on its plate at the moment, but before long it will likely have to consider a range of additional strategies, beyond the recently passed stimulus package, for putting jobless Americans to work.

A comparison of the number of people being thrown out of work in this recession with that of the severe recession of 1981-82 will indicate why. The peak unemployment rate was higher in that earlier recession than today's 7.6 percent, largely because the last big wave of the baby-boom generation was entering the job market in the early '80s. Those boomers who couldn't find work were

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What is different and more frightening about the current downturn is the number of people actually losing their jobs — being laid off or fired. That number is dramatically, dangerously higher.

The government uses two different surveys to gauge employment data. The household survey, based on telephone interviews, showed that job losses in the 13 months that followed the beginning of the 1981-82 recession reached 1.53 million. In the first 13 months of

this recession, the number of jobs lost, according to the household survey, has been a staggering 4 million.

The payroll survey, which is based on employment records, showed job losses of 1.7 million in the first 13 months of the earlier downturn compared with 3.5 million in the current recession. Pick your poison. This is not the kind of downturn Americans are used to.

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young people, ages 16 through 29, have already lost their jobs in this recession. This follows an already steep decline in employment opportunities for young workers over the past several years.

Good jobs were hard to find for most categories of workers during that period. One of the results has been that older men and women have been taking and holding onto jobs that in prior eras would have gone to young people.

"What we've seen over the past eight years, for young people under 30, is the largest age reversal with regard to jobs that we've ever had in our history," said Andrew Sum, the director of the Center for Labor Market Studies. "The younger you are, the more you got pushed out of this labor market."

There were not enough jobs to go around before the recession took hold. So the young, the poor and the poorly educated were already suffering. Now that pool of suffering is rapidly expanding.

This has ominous long-

term implications for the country. The economy cannot perform well with such a large cohort of young people condemned to marginal economic status.

Young men and women who remain unemployed for substantial periods of time find it very difficult to make up that ground. They lose the experience and training they would have gained by working. Even if they eventually find employment, they tend to lag behind their peers when it comes to wages, promotions and job security.

Moreover, as the economy worsens, even the college educated are feeling the crunch.

Employment problems have festered in the United States for decades. The economy will never be brought to a state of health until those problems are more thoughtfully and more directly engaged. This will become more and more clear with each passing month of this hideous recession.

Bob Herbert is a columnist for The New York Times.

Tamarack's plight began as river of money became 'trickle'

By John Miller
Associated Press writer

BOISE — The reason for Tamarack Resort's sudden fall from grace — it opened four years ago and closed this week, putting about 200 people out of work — was in clear focus at a court hearing Thursday. Its river of money has run dry.

The company had gotten a \$250 million syndicated loan from lenders led by Zurich-based Credit Suisse Group in 2006. Less than two years

later, however, Tamarack missed a \$5 million payment before construction of its centerpiece Village Plaza was completed. The vacation real-estate market soured and sapped money, credit markets froze and majority owner Jean-Pierre Boespflug failed to win new investors.

Credit Suisse sued in early 2008 to recover loans and penalties now totaling some \$275 million.

"In late 2007, that river began to dry up," said Douglas Pahl, a Portland,

Ore.-based attorney for Douglas Wilson, the receiver that's run Tamarack since October.

"Through 2008, it became a stream. During the receivership, that capital available to operate the resort is reduced to a trickle."

Pahl was in 4th District Court to ask Judge Patrick Owen to modify the receiver's resort budget, to accommodate a new loan from Credit Suisse and others who extended a \$10 million loan late last year. Of that, there's

only \$1.5 million left. After closing Tamarack down, Douglas Wilson now wants to use an additional \$1.7 million from the lenders to finance an orderly shutdown, but first needs the judge's permission.

Owen, who didn't immediately rule on Wilson's budget request, did set a new hearing for April 16, where lawyers from Tamarack, Credit Suisse and Douglas Wilson will again assemble at the Ada County Courthouse to discuss a

budget for the period starting April 30, which "may or may not include operations," Credit Suisse lawyers said.

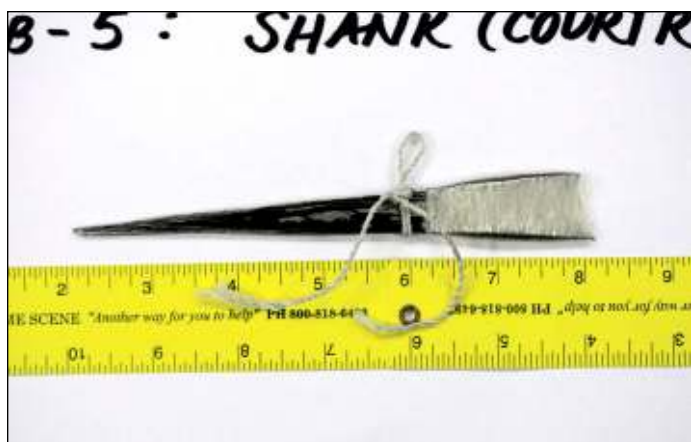
"We'd be happy to continue to operate the resort," Pahl said. "It all comes down to who will pay."

From Oct. 20 to Feb. 20, the resort posted operating losses of \$1.9 million, said Krista Freitag, a receiver employee who oversees finances for Tamarack.

Credit Suisse says the deficit is far greater than lenders expected last year, so

now they only want to provide enough cash to protect the assets, including maintenance of weatherized buildings, keeping up insurance and addressing life-safety concerns, while they formulate a new plan through the spring.

"The moneys that are available aren't sufficient to keep going through the end of March. It's a function of figuring out where the dollars are best spent," said Elizabeth Walker, a lawyer for Credit Suisse.



San Joaquin County Sheriff's Department/AP photo

The hand crafted metal spike that investigators say was used by murder suspect David Paradiso to attack Judge Cinda Fox is seen Thursday in Stockton, Calif.

Slain suspect jumped judge with 6-inch metal spike

By Richard C. Paddock
Los Angeles Times

SAN FRANCISCO — An accused killer who stabbed the judge during his murder trial in Stockton used a sharp, six-inch metal shank that he hid from his jailers even though they were warned he had a weapon, investigators said Thursday.

Murder suspect David Paradiso, who was on the witness stand Wednesday, was able to slip behind Superior Court Judge Cinda Fox and stab her while bailiffs were distracted by a courtroom outburst from his mother and brother, said San Joaquin County Sheriff's Detective Dave Konecny.

Paradiso, 29, was killed by the lead investigator in his murder case, Lodi Police Detective Eric Bradley, who quickly approached the judge's bench and shot Paradiso in the head and shoulder at point-blank range.

"He saved the judge's life," said defense attorney Chuck Pacheco, who also rushed to the judge's aid. "It was necessary. Otherwise the judge would have been killed. He was hell-bent on killing her."

Pacheco said his client was attempting to cut Fox's neck in the same manner that he had killed his first victim, Eileen Pelt, 20. The judge was treated for her injuries and released.

Pacheco had argued in court that Paradiso suffered serious mental disorders from prolonged methamphetamine use. The defense did not contest that Paradiso killed Pelt, his girlfriend, in 2006.

Paradiso faced the death penalty for cutting Pelt's throat in the back seat while his mother, Debra, was driving. Paradiso also was accused of kidnapping his mother and forcing her to drive to neighboring Amador County, where he dumped Pelt's body.

The sheriff's department said that an unnamed female family member called the San Joaquin County Jail on Feb. 17 and reported that Paradiso had a weapon made from a broken hair clipper blade. Two searches a week apart failed to find a weapon.

"It is currently under investigation where and how the suspect received the weapon which was found in the suspect's hand," Konecny said in a statement issued to the media.

Pacheco said he suspects Paradiso was able to smuggle the weapon into court by hiding it in a security leg brace he wore under his pants. The brace is designed to lock if the defendant tries to run but has metal parts that may have masked the weapon when he went

through a metal detector.

"I was always concerned that he was capable of an attack like that if he didn't get his way," said Pacheco, noting that at one point Paradiso tried to fire him. "I figured I would be the object of it."

Gov. Otter hopes Legislature still has time to approve transportation tax hike

By Sarah D. Wire
Associated Press writer

BOISE — Idaho's governor says he is still holding out hope that around \$150 million of his proposed transportation tax increases will be approved by the Legislature.

Gov. C.L. "Butch" Otter told The Associated Press on Thursday that although lawmakers have rejected part of his plan to fix the state's roads, the bills that would raise the most money are still alive.

In January, Otter announced that he wanted to raise money to fix highway infrastructure problems that were outlined in an audit of the state Department of Transportation.

The audit found the agency is falling behind in its ability to maintain Idaho's 5,000 miles of highways but could save millions by improving

how it manages them.

Soon after the audit's release, the governor submitted six bills he said would boost highway revenue by \$174 million annually by 2014 and help fix Idaho's aging roads and bridges.

Otter said it would be irresponsible not to increase revenue for the state transportation system despite Idaho's ongoing financial problems.

Lawmakers have so far rejected two of the governor's bills, saying the state shouldn't raise taxes during tough economic times.

The governor's plan to add a 6 percent tax to rental cars died Wednesday after the industry argued new costs would hurt car rental agencies. A plan to nearly double prices for Idaho residents' specialty and personalized license plates stalled in committee last week.

Still, Otter said he believes the bulk of his plan to increase revenue for road maintenance and operations will be approved.

"I'm just in hopes that by the time the Legislature is ready to leave we will have eventually figured out if we could institute a new package of revenues," Otter said. "Then we could fulfill all of the results of that audit."

Otter's remaining proposals include a plan to increase Idaho's 25-cent-per-gallon gas tax by 10 cents over five years and to increase car and truck registration fees over the same five years.

Together the two bills would raise \$150 million in revenue annually by 2014. One-third of the money would go to cities and counties, leaving \$100 million for the state to spend on road and bridge repairs.

House Transportation Committee Chairwoman Rep. JoAn Wood, R-Rigby, said the remaining bills are not likely to pass in their current form, but legislators are working with the governor's office to reach compromises.

Beyond the economic cost, lawmakers have concerns about several aspects of the bills.

She said some legislators are looking for a long-term transportation solution, "which none of these are."

Many lawmakers are reluctant to approve multiple years of tax increases, as Otter wants, in a time of economic turmoil.

Wood said some lawmakers are waiting to see if the Department of Transportation changes its structure before the Legislature changes the funding methods.



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PAST DUE

Mortgage woes break records again in 4Q

By J.W. Elphinstone
Associated Press writer

NEW YORK — A stunning 48 percent of the nation's homeowners who have a subprime, adjustable-rate mortgage are behind on their payments or in foreclosure, and the rate for homeowners with all mortgage types hit a new record, new data Thursday showed.

But that's not the worst of it. The reckless lending practices in states like Florida, California and

Nevada that were the epicenter of the housing crisis are no longer driving up the nation's delinquency rate. Instead, the foreclosure crisis now is being fueled by a spike in defaults in states like Louisiana, New York, Georgia and Texas, where the economies are rapidly deteriorating and thousands are losing their jobs.

A record 5.4 million American homeowners with a mortgage of any kind, or nearly 12 percent, were at least one month late or in foreclosure at the end of last year, the Mortgage

Bankers Association reported. That's up from 10 percent at the end of the third quarter, and up from 8 percent at the end of 2007.

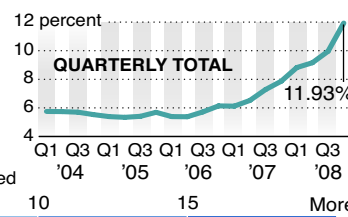
Prime and subprime fixed-rate loans saw sharp increases in the fourth quarter, a sign that the problem is now the economy.

"We're seeing increases in fixed-rate categories and that's where the problems are coming from," said Jay Brinkmann, the group's chief economist.

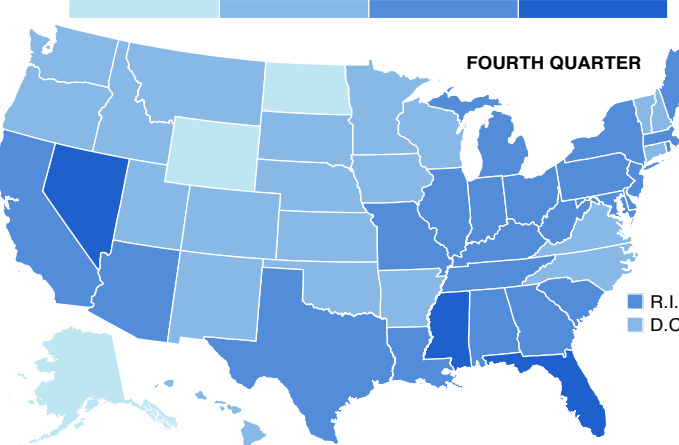
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Distressed mortgages rise at end of 4Q

Americans with home loans past due or in foreclosure rose 20 percent at the end of 2008 — the seventh consecutive quarterly increase.



Home loans past due or in foreclosure, not seasonally adjusted



SOURCE: Mortgage Bankers Association

AP

Auditors raise the specter of Chapter 11 for GM

By Tom Krisher
Associated Press writer

DETROIT — Of all the words in General Motors Corp.'s 402-page annual report, none is more jarring than two written by the company's auditors: "substantial doubt."

The doubt, according to Deloitte & Touche LLC, is about whether GM can overcome its staggering losses and generate enough cash to stay in business, or remain a "going concern" as accountants would say.

GM concedes in the report filed Thursday that it's on the edge of bankruptcy and won't be able to avoid it unless it gets more government money and successfully executes a huge restructuring plan.

It's no surprise that auditors would question GM's viability. The Detroit-based behemoth lost \$30.9 billion last year, is living on \$13.4 billion in government loans, and is seeking up to \$30 billion as it tries to survive the worst auto sales climate in 27 years.

But the auditors' comments are serious because the threshold for raising such concerns is tilted heavily in favor of companies, and often they can negotiate their way, said John Pottow, a University of Michigan Law School professor.

"If you get a qualified going concern audit letter like this, that suggests you are in extreme financial distress and very likely may file for bankruptcy," he said.



Job seekers join a line of hundreds of people at a job fair on Thursday in New York. The number of new jobless claims and the total number of people receiving unemployment benefits both dropped more than expected last week, though they remain at elevated levels and are unlikely to fall substantially in the coming months.

AP photo

New unemployment claims unexpectedly drop to 639K

By Christopher S. Rugaber
Associated Press writer

WASHINGTON — The number of new jobless claims and the total number of people receiving unemployment benefits both dropped more than expected last week, though they remain at elevated levels and are unlikely to fall substantially in the coming months.

Few economists expect a turnaround in the battered labor market anytime soon with companies laying off thousands of workers weekly.

Still, the tally of initial requests for unemployment benefits fell to 639,000 from

the previous week's figure of 670,000, the Labor Department said Thursday. Analysts expected a smaller drop to 650,000.

In separate reports, factory orders fell for a record sixth consecutive month in January, the Commerce Department said, as demand fell across a wide cross-section of industries. And worker productivity fell more steeply than previously estimated in the fourth quarter, the Labor Department said.

Retailers, meanwhile, said sales dropped in February but at a slower pace than the previous month.

The stock markets, already trading lower, extended their decline after the factory orders report. The Dow Jones industrial average dropped about 260 points, or 3.8 percent, while broader indexes also fell in afternoon trading.

The 670,000 new job claims total reported a week ago was a new high for the current recession and the most since October 1982, when the economy was emerging from a severe downturn, though the labor force has grown by half since then.

The number of people claiming benefits for more

than a week fell slightly to 5.1 million in the latest report from 5.12 million, after rising to record-highs for five straight weeks. Analysts expected 5.15 million continuing claims.

But an additional 1.4 million people were receiving benefits under an extended unemployment compensation program approved by Congress last year. That tally was as of Feb. 14, the latest data available, and brings the total jobless benefit rolls to about 6.5 million.

That's up sharply from a year ago, when 2.8 million people were receiving benefits.

Retailers report sales declines

By Anne D'Innocenzio
Associated Press writer

NEW YORK — After hibernating since last fall, shoppers may be carefully crawling out of their caves to restock their pantries and buy a few more necessities.

Retailers released figures Thursday showing that sales kept falling in February, but not nearly as much as in January — possibly indicating that business could be stabilizing. But analysts say that's hardly enough to call the beginning of a recovery.

They caution that the better-than-expected reports were helped by better inventory control and point to Wal-Mart's surging sales as a sign that more people may simply be shifting their spending to cheaper stores. The rift between discount stores and luxury merchants widened in February as shoppers kept

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Retail sales

Sales continued to decline in February, but not as much as they did in January.

Percent change in major retailers' sales compared to February 2008:

February 2009	Change
Wal-Mart Stores Inc.	+5.1%
Kohl's	-1.6%
Target Corp.	-4.1%
Macy's Inc.	-8.5%
J.C. Penney Co.	-8.8%
Nordstrom Inc.	-15.4%
Saks Inc.	-26.0%

NOTE: Sales include those from stores opened for at least one year. Reporting periods vary slightly.

AP

A painful topic? Small businesses may ponder 401(k) funding

NEW YORK — One of the first questions many small business owners hear from accountants at tax time is whether they've started or funded a retirement plan. That's a painful topic for many owners during a recession.

A company owner worried about cash flow might feel there's no choice but to forgo



SMALL TALK
Joyce M. Rosenberg

starting a plan, or, if the business already has one,

cutting back or suspending matches to employees' plan contributions. Small businesses that do suspend or reduce matches are part of a growing list of companies including Fortune 500 members FedEx Inc., UPS Inc., Sprint Nextel Inc. and Visteon Corp. trying to preserve sagging profits or cut their losses.

Still other companies might be in good financial shape, but are curtailing these benefits because they're concerned about what lies ahead in this recession. Or, they might be shying away from starting a plan, assuming that employees aren't interested right now because stocks keep falling.

People who advise small companies about finances or employment matters generally advocate setting up and funding a retirement plan, even in tough times, because it's good for business.

"Especially for a small business that's becoming an attraction that employees want to have," said Richard G. Rawson, president of

Administaff, a Houston-based company that provides human resources outsourcing. "They want to save for the future."

Retirement plans have been a huge recruitment and retention tool, and cutting these benefits will be painful for staffers. Rawson noted,

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STOCKS OF LOCAL INTEREST

Con Agra	14.49	▼	.77	Dell Inc.	8.38	▼	.49	Idacorp	21.72	▼	1.03
Lithia Mo.	2.03	▼	.42	Micron	3.15	▼	.05	Supervalu	15.08	▼	.88

COMMODITIES

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Live cattle	83.90	▼	.75	Apr. oil	43.69	▼	1.69
Apr. gold	929.90	▲	23.20	Mar. silver	13.17	▲	.27

MARKET SUMMARY

Table with 3 columns: NYSE, AMEX, NASDAQ. Each column lists 'MOST ACTIVE' and 'GAINERS' with columns for Name, Vol(00), Last, and Chg.

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HOW TO READ THE MARKET REPORT
Name: Stocks are listed alphabetically by the company's full name (not its abbreviation).
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401(k)

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however, that in this economy, many people are likely to understand. "They're happy to have a job," he said. Companies continue to start plans despite the recession.

There are options besides stocks for retirement plans, so employees who are fearful of the market can still save and get a tax benefit. 2008, up sharply from 1.2 percent in the third quarter and less than 1 percent a year earlier.

wiggle room for small businesses that have a retirement plan known as a SEP, or Simplified Employee Pension, or a SIMPLE, short for Simplified Employee Pension. Employers' matching contributions to these plans don't need to be made until the due date of the employer's return, including extensions.

Citigroup stock falls below \$1 a share

CHARLOTTE, N.C. (AP) — Shares of Citigroup Inc., once the nation's most powerful bank, fell below \$1 a share Thursday. The stock fell as low as 97 cents in late morning trading. It was down 11 cents, or 9.7 percent, at \$1.02 in mid-afternoon.

Sales

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worrying about the economy. Economists say that the job market needs to stabilize before shoppers will feel comfortable spending again. "We're seeing some signs that spending declines are bottoming out," said Frank Badillo, senior economist at consulting group Retail Forward.

row. But it was a marked improvement from January's 1.6 percent drop, extending a trend since November's big decrease of 2.7 percent. Wal-Mart Stores Inc., whose sales account for more than half of the ICSC index, has been the big positive.

Auction Calendar
SATURDAY, MAR. 7, 10:00AM Public Auto Auction, Twin Falls
SATURDAY, MAR. 7, 11:00AM B&G Produce, Filer
SATURDAY, MAR. 7, 1:00PM Auction, Twin Falls
MONDAY, MAR. 9, 5:30PM General Merchandise, TF
TUESDAY, MAR. 10, 10:30AM Dalley, Inc. Farm Auction, Heyburn
TUESDAY, MAR. 10, 5:00PM Household • Tools • Antiques Outrageous Oddities • Jerome
THURSDAY, MAR. 12, 10:00AM Breeding-Driscoll Farm Auction, American Falls

Mortgages

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"The foreclosure picture is more clearly driven by the jobs market." That trend highlights one of the biggest challenges confronting the Obama administration's mortgage relief plan launched this week. While the \$75 billion plan could help change the loan terms or refinancing up to 9 million homeowners, unemployed borrowers will have a hard time qualifying.

economist at High Frequency Economics, wrote in a client note Wednesday. The key is what kind of workers are losing their jobs, Brinkmann said. Unemployment for people with college degrees, some college education or technical training — those most likely to own homes and have prime fixed-rate loans — has nearly doubled over the past six months.

Continued Auction Calendar
THURSDAY, MAR. 19, 10:00AM West End Community, Buhl
THURSDAY, MAR. 19, 11:00AM Mohlman Bros. Farm Auc, Rupert
SATURDAY, MAR. 28, 10:00AM Miniidoka County Community Auction, Rupert
SATURDAY, APRIL 4, 9:00AM Mini-Cassia Community Auction, Cassia County Fairgrounds

COMMODITIES REPORT

Table with columns: Mon, Commodity, High, Low, Close, Change. Lists various commodities like live cattle, feeder cattle, soybeans, etc.

BEANS

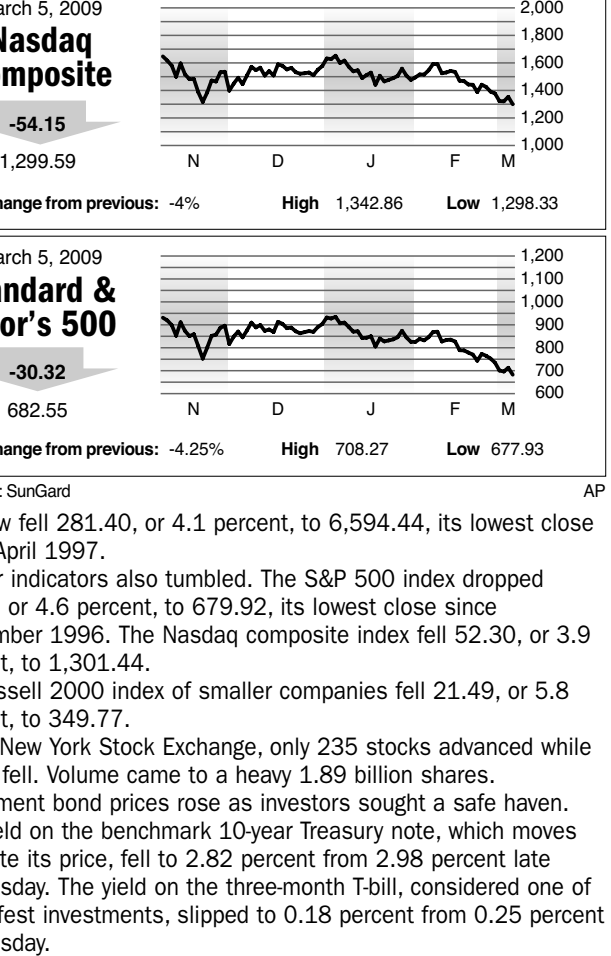
Prices are net to growers, 100 pounds, U.S. No. 1 beans, less Idaho bean tax and storage charges. Prices subject to change without notice. Producers desiring more recent price information should contact dealers.

GRAINS

Prices for wheat per bushel: mixed grain, oats, corn and beans per hundred weight. Prices subject to change without notice. Soft white wheat, ask barley, ask corn, ask (15 percent moisture). Prices are given daily by Rangens in Buhl.

METALS/MONEY

NEW YORK (AP) — Spot nonferrous metal prices Thursday. Aluminum -\$0.6050 per lb., N.Y. Merc spot Thu. Copper -\$1.7305 Cathode full plate, U.S. destinations. Copper -\$1.6575 N.Y. Merc spot Thu.



COMMUNITY

Twin Falls

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Kimberly schools focus on teaching, growing

By Joe E. Furtado
Times-News correspondent

KIMBERLY — Kathleen Noh, superintendent of Kimberly School District, believes her district will do the right thing. That is, to focus on teaching children and avoid speculation as to how state and federal actions will impact the district's budget in the coming fiscal year.

"Until we know what the state is going to do, there is no need to have teachers worry about possibilities that may never happen," she said.

Noh said Kimberly School District is prepared, however. Some contingencies would be to delay maintenance for up to one year or cut back on textbooks and supplies, while attempting to pass a supplemental levy to raise funds would be a last resort. None of these measures appear to be imminent, she said.

The school district has "no extra employees or teachers", according to Noh. There are no plans to cut activities such as band, choir, or other programs.

As far as some recent developments, the federal stimulus allocation to the state provides up to \$246 million for stabilization for public and higher education. According to Noh, recent estimates showed a budget shortfall of \$62 million for Idaho's schools next fiscal year. Noh expects that figure to rise.

Noh has been with the district for 20 years. However, her tenure as superintendent began last June. The district is currently in the process of expanding its space through a series of building projects paid for by a \$10.25 million school bond voters passed in October 2007.

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Starr Corp. site Superintendent Larry Pollard works at the construction site of Kimberly Elementary School's new multipurpose building.

Five vie for Miss Kimberly

Five students from Kimberly High School will compete in this year's Miss Kimberly Scholarship Pageant.

The pageant, held at 7 p.m. March 21 at the James Gym in Kimberly, will crown the winners of scholarships ranging from \$200 to \$700. The Kimberly Lions Club will also award its \$300 Community Service Scholarship. Tickets are \$7 and available at the Quilt Barn, from contestants or at the door.

This year's contestants:



Egbert

Kristina Egbert, a senior at Kimberly High, is sponsored by Dr. Jared Walker and is the daughter of Jeff and Kathy Egbert.

Egbert enjoys snowboarding, hanging out with friends, reading, rock climbing and playing the violin. She has been involved in Business Professionals of America, National Honor Society, Mona foundation, Magic Valley Youth Orchestra, pep band, her church's youth group, music festival and volunteer activities at St. Luke's Magic Valley Medical Center. She was the Kimberly Academic All-Star. After graduation she plans to attend Idaho State University.

Gentry Funk, a junior at Kimberly High, is sponsored by Northwest Farm Credit Services and is the daughter of David and Shirlene Funk.



Funk

Her hobbies are softball, piano, snowboarding, boating, spending time with family and keeping up with Facebook. She is an accomplished dancer and pianist and is involved in basketball, volleyball, National Honor Society, BPA, Key Club, Mona foundation, pep club, ski and snowboarding club, Magic Valley leadership and her church's youth group. She would like to attend Utah State University.



Godfrey

Carma Godfrey, a junior at Kimberly High, is the daughter of Lance and Kendra Godfrey and is sponsored by Select Source Inc.

In her spare time she enjoys reading, playing the piano, scrapbooking and hanging out with friends. Some activities she has been involved in are jazz band, 4-H and the INEL Quiz Bowl. She plans to attend college to study physical therapy.

Deone Price, a junior at Kimberly High, is sponsored by The Quilt Barn and is the daughter of Paul and Shelly Price.



Price

She has been involved in choir, pep club, publications, dance festival and her church's youth group. She also spends her time working on her photography skills, horseback riding and crafts. She plans to attend LDS Business College after graduation.



Williams

Jessica Williams, a Senior at Kimberly High School, is the daughter of Monte and Jill Williams and is sponsored by Fire 10 Grill.

She enjoys singing, going to school activities, dancing and being with friends. She has been involved in National Honor Society, Miss Kimberly, Johnny Horizon service clean-up, Key Club and her church's youth committee. Jessica would like to continue her education at Brigham Young University-Idaho.

MAGIC VALLEY PEOPLE

A family tradition

Family keeps T.F. soda fountain a downtown landmark

By Hosanna Kabakoro
Times-News correspondent

Ask any Twin Falls old-timer where they had their first ice-cream soda, and odds are their face will light up as they answer, "Crowley's!"

Crowley's Soda Fountain is a Twin Falls landmark where a signature selection of burgers, banana splits and ice cream has been served at a Main Avenue location that's served as a soda fountain for 91 years. Owner Richard Crowley says his grandfather, S.L. Crowley, purchased the Trollinger Pharmacy in 1942 and changed the name to Crowley's in 1961.

"Trollinger's started out as a pharmacy in 1918," says Richard. "Back in the old days, most pharmacies operated soda fountains as a way to get customers to take their medicine. Prescriptions were mixed into soda water and flavored to make them more palatable."

"My dad, Robert Crowley, took over the business in the 1960s, but Grandpa insisted on working the soda fountain until he was 91 years old. I took over from Dad in 1995 when he retired, and my children round out four generations of Crowleys who have dipped ice cream, flipped burgers and helped make the soda fountain a hot spot for kids of all ages."

Anne Stevens, who grew up in Buhl, remembers Crowley's from her childhood.

"Driving into Twin on Saturdays was a big deal," she said. "Back then, there were no malls or stores along Blue Lakes Boulevard so we shopped in downtown Twin. Mother always bought her stationary and White Shoulders perfume at Crowley's."

"We usually ended our shopping trip with a sandwich at the fountain. I still remember the crisp, white uniforms of the guys who made my cherry sodas."

A few years ago, when Richard considered closing Crowley's, people begged him to keep it open. So he leased it to Laurinda Silva.

"Laurinda's terrific and lunchtimes are busy as ever," he said. "Parking is sometimes a problem because people don't realize that in addition to metered parking on Main Street, there's free parking behind the store."

Located at 144 Main Ave. S., Crowley's has been mentioned in Sunset Magazine and the Twin Falls Restaurant Guide. In 2007 it was named one of Twin Falls' top burger spots.

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Bob Crowley, left, and his son, Richard, pose for a portrait Feb. 26 at Crowley's Soda Fountain in downtown Twin Falls. The business has been run by the family since the 1940s.

Recurrent lesion may not need aggressive treatment

DEAR DR. GOTT: What do I do for a sore or pimple on the inside of my bottom lip? I was told it is a pyogenic granuloma. It was frozen off once but came back. It was then cut out and again came back. What can I do now?

DEAR READER: A pyogenic granuloma is a small, reddish bump on the skin. It bleeds easily because it has a lot of blood vessels.



ASK DR. GOTT
Dr. Peter Gott

These lesions often appear on the skin after an injury and usually occur on the

face, hands or arms. They are also often found in the mouths of pregnant women. They are common in children and can be annoying due to the easy bleeding.

Treatment varies. Most small pyogenic granulomas disappear on their own. Larger ones may need to be removed by a surgeon. You have already tried cryotherapy (freezing) and traditional

surgery. Laser surgery and electrocautery may be options to discuss with your physician.

If the entire lesion is not removed, it will likely return. This is probably why yours has returned twice now. Given this, your surgeon may choose to remove more of the surrounding tissue to ensure it has been excised or destroyed. Scarring is com-

mon, and, with more extensive surgery, the scarring will likely be greater. Unless the lesion is interfering with daily activities such as eating or brushing your teeth, you may simply choose to leave it alone.

DEAR DR. GOTT: I am writing to you about my husband. He is 44 years old and was recently diagnosed by one neuromuscular physi-

cian with a rare disorder called Isaac's Syndrome, or neuromyotonia. A second neuromuscular physician diagnosed him with Benign Fasciculation Syndrome.

His symptoms are persistent spasms of one muscle or a group of muscles, joint pain, muscle weakness and trembling hands. All of this

Home-schoolers gather for weekly debates

By Hosanna Kabakoro
Times-News correspondent

It can be hard to have a lively debate when you're the only student in your grade.

A group of area home-schoolers have found a way around that, meeting for a weekly civics club founded by a pair of area mothers who educate their children at home.

Each Tuesday the students gather at the Twin Falls Creative Arts Center to discuss history and current affairs. This year's topics have ranged from gun con-

trol to the electoral process and creationism versus evolution. Students range in age from 12 to 18 and come from across Twin Falls County.

Rebecca Kelley, 15, of Twin Falls, said she loves attending because, "Civics club lets me learn more about America while making new friends. I always learn something new."

Founded by Michelle Castro and Julie Ruf, two home-schoolers who wanted to inspire their own children to develop a love of history and patriotism, the club is open to any home-edu-

cated student.

"Patriotism isn't something you're born with," said Sandy Qualls, mother of four home-schooled boys. "Love of country needs to be taught and nurtured. This program enables me to raise my four boys with a love, appreciation and respect for this great country in which we live."

The club also enables the students to formalize rational arguments for and against a wide array of topics and present them in a social setting.

"I like gathering information for the debates we

have," said Logan Qualls, 13. "I've learned to present my views using a scientific approach rather than an emotional one."

The club's attendance has outgrown its current location. Castro said the club includes approximately 35 members and is looking for a larger classroom.

The club meets from noon to 1:30 p.m. Tuesdays at the Twin Falls Creative Arts Center, 249 Main Ave. W. Information, Castro, 208-421-1168.

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COMMUNITY NEWS

Pet benefit held in Twin Falls

The inaugural Fur Ball will be held from 7 p.m. to midnight Saturday at the Turf Club, 734 Falls Ave., Twin Falls.

All proceeds from the event will benefit People for Pets Magic Valley Humane Society Inc. The event will feature live music provided by Split Second, appetizers, a no-host bar and raffle items.

Cost is \$20 per person. Tickets can be purchased at the humane society, 420 Victory Ave., Twin Falls. Information: 736-2299.

NARFE holds monthly meeting in T.F.

National Active and Retired Federal Employees Association Chapter 1959 will hold its monthly meeting at 11 a.m., Monday at Loong King Restaurant, 1719 Kimberly Road, Twin Falls.

The speaker will be Terry Halbert from the Jerome Soil Conservation Service. Retired or current federal employees are encouraged to attend and bring a guest. Information: 733-9477.

Food bank open on Tuesday in Kimberly

Crossroads United Methodist Church and the Idaho Food Bank are sponsoring a free mobile food bank from noon to 2 p.m. Tuesday at 131 Syringa Ave., Kimberly.

Food will be distributed on a first-come, first-served basis. Those attending are asked to bring their own boxes and bags.

Volunteers are needed to help with the distribution. To volunteer or for more information: 423-4311.

Optimists hold Lost Wages Night

The Twin Falls Optimist Club will hold its annual Lost Wages Night from 7 to 10 p.m. March 13 at the Turf Club, 734 Falls Ave., Twin Falls.

The event includes gaming, raffles, silent auctions, food and beverages. All proceeds will benefit local children's programs and youth support services. Tickets are available from Optimist Club members: Don, 539-6527; Kevin, 733-6600; Brent, 308-2048; Heidi, 404-4321; or at the door. Information: Donna Bohrn, 539-1836.

Pinewood derby held in Twin Falls

The Twin Falls First Assembly of God is holding a Pinewood Derby Royal Rangers Sectional Competition, open class divisions for boys, girls and adults, on March 14 at 143 Locust St. N., Twin Falls.

Registration will be at 10 a.m. with the first race beginning at 10:30 a.m. There is a \$3 entry fee per car.

Prizes will be awarded in all categories for show and race winners. Coffee, pizza and bottled water will be

available for a small donation.

Anyone needing an authorized car kit can pick them up at the church office for \$5 each. Car specifications include: maximum length, 7.5 inches; maximum width, 2.75 inches; maximum height, 3 inches; and maximum weight 5.5 ounces. Information: 733-5349.

MV Rock and Gem Show nears

The Magic Valley Rock and Gem Show will be held from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. March 14 and from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. March 15 at the Boys and Girls Club of Magic Valley, 999 Frontier Road, Twin Falls. Admission is \$2, children under 12 are free with a paying adult.

The event will feature dealers, displays, demonstrations, grab bags, door prizes, silent auction, mineral table, wheel of fortune and more. Information: 423-2827.

O'Donnell completes Army specialist course

Army Pfc. Brock E. O'Donnell has graduated from the H-8 tracked vehicle recovery specialist course at Fort Knox, Ky.

The course is designed to train students in the skills and knowledge needed to perform recovery operations using the M88A1/A2 tracked recovery vehicle. The course includes field and classroom training in the proper use of tools, equipment, technical data and applicable references needed to determine recovery methods, locate recovery sites, operate tactical communications equipment and maintain recovery vehicle armament systems. O'Donnell is the son of Rocky L. and Tracey A. O'Donnell of Filer. He is a 2008 graduate of Buhl High School.

Rohde on Evangel University dean's list

Michelle Rohde, daughter of Arlene Sabala of Twin Falls and Glenn Rohde of Glasgow, Mont., has been named to the Fall 2008 Dean's List at Evangel University in Springfield, Mo.

Students must earn a grade-point average of 3.6 or higher to be eligible for the dean's list. During the fall semester, Rohde was a junior with a major in psychology.

We want your community news

Do you have community news you would like to have published in the *Times-News* Jerome, North Side, Mini-Cassia and Twin Falls Community sections?

E-mail the information and a photo, if you have one, to frontdoor@magicvalley.com. Please put the word "community" in the subject line.

If you are announcing an upcoming event please send the information at least two weeks in advance.

DAR awards Good Citizens to area students

The Twin Falls Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution recognized eight area students named as Good Citizens at a special reception held Feb. 7 at the Jerome Public Library. The program recognizes high school students who exemplify the qualities of a good citizen including dependability, service, leadership and patriotism.

Winners are selected by each participating high school and receive a DAR Good Citizen pin and a certificate. From the school winners, the chapter selects an overall winner who receives a check for \$50 and competes at the state level.

The chapter winner was Taja Hawkes of Oakley High School. Other school winners were: Ariel Burk, Bliss High School; Julie Kaminiski, Castleford High School; Lydia Hopper, Glens Ferry High School; Kristopher Bos, Jerome High School; Carissa Mathews, Kimberly High School; Sara Federico, Twin Falls High School; and Megan Choate, Wendell High School. Information: 308-1810.



Courtesy photo
Lois Rohay, regent of the Twin Falls Chapter Daughters of the American Revolution, presents Good Citizen awards to, front row, Megan Choate, Wendell; Carissa Mathews, Kimberly; Lydia Hopper, Glens Ferry; back row, Taja Hawkes, Oakley; Ariel Burk, Bliss; Kristopher Bos, Jerome; and Julie Kaminiski, Castleford. Not pictured, Sara Federico, Twin Falls.

SOMEBODY NEEDS YOU

Volunteers — Hospice Visions needs volunteers for its hospice home, Visions of Home, to assist patients with letter writing, reading, visiting, playing cards or being a friend during a difficult time in their lives. Information: Flo, 735-0121.

Volunteers/donations — Volunteers are needed to help with Safe Harbor's Saturday Soup Kitchen at various downtown locations in Twin Falls. Meals are held at 11:30 a.m. each Saturday, except the last one of the month, which is provided by another local group. Volunteers can help on a regular basis or a one-time basis for all or part of the meal (arrive to set up at 9:30 a.m., serve at 11 a.m. or clean up at 11:45 a.m.). Volunteers are welcome to eat at the meal. Volunteers also are needed to help prepare food boxes from 6 to 9 p.m. on the third Thursday or Friday of every other month at various downtown locations. Coats in good condition are needed for women and a few for men (sizes 2XL to 4XL). Information: Phyllis, 735-8787.

Volunteers — St. Luke's

Want to help?
This public service column is designed to match needs in the Magic Valley with volunteer help. If you need a volunteer, contact the Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) at 736-4764, before noon Wednesday for Friday publication. RSVP is a United Way-sponsored agency at the College of Southern Idaho.

has several volunteer positions available on a regular or project basis.

Information: Kim, 737-2006, kimpa@mvrnc.org; or Linda, 933-4844, lindat@mvrnc.org.

Volunteers — The Retired and Senior Volunteer Program needs one or two volunteers to assist with scheduling rides for the Senior Assisted Services Volunteer Transportation Program in the Burley Office of Aging, 1311 Parke Ave., Suite 5. Volunteers are needed Monday through Friday to schedule rides for senior adults to medical appointments, necessary therapies and for grocery shopping. A

background check is required. Information: Kitty, 677-4872, ext. 2 or ext. 3.

Volunteers — Interfaith Volunteer Caregivers has a new executive director and is expanding in Twin Falls County. Volunteers are needed in Twin Falls, Buhl, Kimberly and Filer to assist individuals with transportation, homemaker services, visiting and monitoring, respite and other tasks. Mileage reimbursement is available. Information: Karen or Shirley, 733-6333.

Donations/Volunteers — The College of Southern Idaho Refugee Center needs household items including pots, pans, kitchen tables, televisions, loveseats, washers and dryers. The center also needs volunteers to work with refugees in a variety of areas (English as a Second Language tutoring and transportation for grocery shopping). Donated items can be taken to the center, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. (closed noon to 1 p.m.), Monday through Friday, at 1526 Highland Ave. E. in Twin Falls. Information: Michelle, 736-2166.

Donations — New Hope Transition Center needs sev-

eral items to help through the winter, including noodles, canned vegetables, stews and soups, fresh vegetables, large garbage bags, paper towels, toilet paper, liquid dish soap, laundry soap and cleaning supplies. Donated items can be taken to the center, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday, at 425 Second Ave. N., Twin Falls. Information: 733-0823.

Volunteers — Long Term Care Ombudsman Program needs volunteers to visit residents in skilled nursing and residential care facilities. Volunteers can be advocates for residents and improve elderly care. Training and mentoring will be provided. Information: Mary or Laurene, Office of Aging, 736-2122.

Mentors — The Retired and Senior Volunteer Program needs volunteers, age 55 and older, in Jerome and Twin Falls counties to mentor children of prisoners. Volunteers must undergo a complete background check and be willing to mentor a child for a minimum of one hour each week for one year. Information: Ken, 736-2122, ext. 2394 or kwhiting@oaa.csi.edu.

Dr. Gott

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has led to sleeplessness and a lack of concentration. He has a past medical history of degenerative joint disease of the cervical and lumbar spine but is otherwise in good health.

Could you supply us with any information on these rarely diagnosed disorders? Is there any help for my husband?

DEAR READER: Two separate physicians have given your husband two separate diagnoses. Both are rare and both involve muscle twitching as a primary symptom.

From your very brief note, I do not know what testing your husband has had, how long his symptoms have persisted, their frequency and what treatments he has tried.

Unfortunately, with so little information, I cannot answer your question satisfactorily. Consult another neuromuscular specialist or a neurologist for a third opinion. Your husband needs thorough testing to include blood work, imaging studies and nerve-conduction tests. Muscle twitching can have many causes, both benign and serious.

He needs a definitive diagnosis so that treatment can begin. While awaiting a third opinion, I urge your husband to try to relax as much as possible, because stress and tension caused by worrying can lead to worsening symptoms for any condition.

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."

ROBERT STUART HONOR ROLL

Robert Stuart Junior High School in Twin Falls announced its first semester honor roll.

4.0 grade-point average NINTH GRADE

Lane Barker, Sydney Bergen, Jared Berry, Hannah Beidenbach, Jameson Brown, Alexis Crawford, Ashley Debie, Amanda Dickinson, Bryant Foster, Kaela Fullbright, Jessica Groesbeck, Abigail Mendenhall, Amanda Miller, Kori Neiwirth, Leyla Salvarova, Lauren Shotwell, Ashley Tomlinson, Aylin Umarova, Kameron Yeggy.

EIGHTH GRADE

Elizabeth Ashby, Shanise Biggers, Alisia Bradford, Karen Feng, Jasmine Hacking, Hailey Hanks, Samantha Jackson, Eva Magana, Megan Mayo, Conner McCall, Zerina Mehic, Mitchell Nielsen, Carmen Perez, Nerissa Schmechel, Armin Smajovic, Sabre Stearns, Zoe Strauss.

SEVENTH GRADE

Jenna Adkins, Daniel Ault, Emily Brown, Joshua Clark, Megan Coleman, Madison Dahlquist, Taylor DeWalt, Savannah Fleming, Jammy Fortin, Rebecca Johnson, Caitlyn Joslin, Gaige Kepner, Kelsi King, Meghan

Miller, Ellie Packham, Samra Ramovic, Bayley Seigworth, Lance Teske, Albina Umarova, Courtney Wright.

3.99-3.5 GPA NINTH GRADE

Mohammed Ahmed, Shayde Alves, Gerardo Arroyo, Kable Barnhart, Alex Birch, Courtney Borlase, Kaitlyn Bosma, T'Keya Calderon, Michael Chapple, Jessika Cross, Michael Curtis, Mark Dolecheck, Bobbie Jo Evans, Emily Grindstaff, Brittney Gummow, Wayne, Jeffers, Colleen Joslin, Igor Jozelic, Focus Kabura, Sky Lane, Karissa Larson, RoseAnna Miller, Farzaneh Moradi, Aisha Nanthanong, Chase Petty, Guadalupe Ramirez, Andria Richards, Riane Richards, Alexis Richardson, Bianca Rodriguez, Tiffany Rostron, Nikolas Rountree, Jesse Ruggles, Shantya Runkle, Jose Santos, Daniel Schmid, Nicolas Schmid, Erica Stewart, Destiny Straub, Connor Stubblefield, Kasey Tamme, Marlene Torres, Kimberly Zambrano.

EIGHTH GRADE

Tonya Alaniz, Tyler Anderson,

Edgardo Ayala, Ellen Bartlett, Sara Basham, Kyle Baum, McKay Beard, Kennedy Bell, Nathan Bishop, Chelsea Bonnett, Aaron Burton, Emilee Butcher, Alyxis Cederstrom, Sayer Conrad, Alyssa Davis, Kalise Dudley, Monnette Easter, Jazmyrn Garner, Cody Gates, Carlos Guzman, Tanisha Haggan, Brian Hall, Joshua Hansen, Connor Harding, Valaine Hoadley, Jay Hollon, Jordan Huber, Alyda Haegerman, Alexis Keylon, Kayla Lee, Nancy Lopez, Nikolina Marcetic, Heaven Marsh, Daniel McCarthy, Brinley Muller, Alex Montalbo, Kerim Muffic, Azia Nutting, Aaron Odell, Jake Packham, Leslimar Partida, Michaela Phillips, Karlie Pittman-Whitaker, Daniel Plant, Kaleb Price, Jessica Renaldi, Blaze Requa, Kiefer Starks, Justice Straub, Riley Thomas, McKenna Thompson, Julie White.

SEVENTH GRADE

Jayne Acuff, Jessica Aguirre, Uriel Arroyo, Hunter Barnett, Jordan Bastian, Krystal Beer, Aaron Benedict, Delaney Bergen, Celina Betancourt, Whitney Biggs, Nicholas Brown,

Breanna Brownlee, Eric Bryan, Sara Buddecke, Rebecca Cabello, Drake Cameron, Gabriel Castro, Braiden Clayburn, Almira Colic, Emily Cotterell, Stetson Couch, Logan Craner, Amanda Crist, Kendall Crozier, Alesa Easterling, Julianna Fields, Kara Fife, Avery Gaines, Jacob Groesbeck, Megan Guymon, Jasmyna Hadzic, Cynthia Harlan, Sonya Haveman, Cassandra Hernandez, Daniel Hernandez, Elizabeth Hill, Layke Hofknecht, Ivan Kranjc, Fahira Kremic, Shanna Madson Stowman, Amar Masic, Mercedes McAllister, Dylan McGrath, Kylar Moore, Jessica Moreno, Courtney Nielsen, Sydney Nutting, Andrea Owen, Michael Packard, Kirsten Pittman-Whitaker, Delia Plascencia, Erick Ramirez, Hannah Rhoden, Kimberly Rose, Zachary Schlesinger, Tallon Shinn, Marissa Shirley, Jordan Sims, Spencer Smelser, Shanea Smith, Taylor Stanger, Savannah Teater, Kayla Thompson, Victoria Valdez, Sarah Vaughn, Efrain Venegas, Ashlynn Vermilyea, Courtney Walden, Cloey Wearin, Seth Williams.

Publicist: Robin Williams needs heart surgery

MIAMI (AP) — Robin Williams needs heart surgery and must cancel the remainder of his one-man comedy show, "Weapons of Self-Destruction," his publicist said Thursday.

The 57-year-old actor needs an aortic valve replacement, Diane Rosen said in a news release. Williams' representatives would not say when the comedian was admitted to the hospital or where.

"I'm so touched by everyone's support and well wishes," Williams said in the statement. "This tour has been amazing fun and I can't wait to get back out on the road after a little tune-up."

Williams was already in Florida when he canceled four shows in the state earlier this week after experiencing shortness of breath.

Former first lady Barbara Bush, 83, was recovering well from her aortic valve surgery this week, her doctors said. Replacement valves are either manmade or made from living tissue from human or animal sources.

Since September, Williams

had been on the sold-out, 80-city tour, which is expected to resume in the fall, his publicist said. Tickets will be honored once the new dates are scheduled, or people can contact their place of purchase for refunds.

The Academy Award-winning actor got his start as a standup comedian in the 1970s.

His high-energy act led to a guest spot on "Happy Days" as Mork from Ork and later the starring role on "Mork & Mindy."

He has appeared in dozens of feature films — both comedies and dramas — over nearly three decades. He won an Oscar for Best Supporting Actor for his role in the 1997 film "Good Will Hunting." Other notable films include "Dead Poets Society," "Hook," "Mrs. Doubtfire" and Disney's "Aladdin."



Williams

Former pro wrestler accused in death at Minn. nursing home

By Steve Karnowski
Associated Press writer

MINNEAPOLIS — During his glory days as a pro wrestler, Verne Gagne shared the spotlight with other burly men in trunks, guys with names like Killer Kowalski, Mad Dog Vachon, The Crusher and Baron Von Raschke.

But all of that seemed well in the past until just weeks ago, when authorities say Gagne, 82 and suffering from Alzheimer's disease, apparently body-slammed a 97-year-old fellow patient at the suburban nursing home where they both lived, causing the man's death.

Bloomington police are investigating, but not even the victim's widow wants to see the dementia-stricken Gagne prosecuted.

"It's been so hard on both families," said Greg Gagne, Gagne's son and a former wrestler himself.

Helmuth Gutmann, a former cancer researcher who suffered from dementia himself, died Feb. 14, about three weeks after breaking his hip in the confrontation. Authorities ruled his death a homicide.

Police said there was no clear indication of what set Gagne off, and neither man could remember the incident afterward. Behavior and personality changes are common as Alzheimer's progresses, and victims of the mind-robbing disease can become agitated.

Like others with the disease, Gagne had all but lost his short-term memory, while his recollections of long-ago events were vivid. But whether he was suffering a flashback to his days in the ring, as some have speculated, is anybody's guess.

Police said they plan to forward the case to prosecutors by the end of the week for possible charges. Gagne, who has since turned 83, has been moved to another institution.

Joseph Daly, a former prosecutor who is now a professor at Hamline University Law School in St. Paul, said he doubts Gagne will be charged. State law prohibits prosecuting anyone who is too mentally deficient to understand the proceedings or offer a defense. Daly said that would appear to apply to Gagne.

"It's a tragedy for the man who was killed, it's a tragedy for the man's family, but it's equally a tragedy for the family of Verne Gagne," said Daly, who has warm memories of Gagne from his youth.

In the ring, Gagne (pronounced GAHN-yuh) drew on his background as a college wrestling champion in the 1940s, and typically finished off opponents with his trademark "sleeper hold" — a headlock that appeared to make the beaten man pass out.

Gutmann's widow, Betty Gutmann, said she was told by residents and staff members at the nursing home that Gagne picked her husband up and threw him to the ground. She said that they had had one scuffle before, when her husband had been shouting at other residents and Gagne put a chokehold on him. Gutmann wasn't hurt in that incident.

But Betty Gutmann is not blaming Gagne, saying he didn't know what he was doing.

She said most Alzheimer's victims are old and frail, and when they lash out, they don't usually cause much harm. The difference with Gagne is that "he was a professional athlete and was trained to do certain moves. This is what makes him much more dangerous than the ordinary person" with dementia.

Helmuth Gutmann fled Nazi Germany in 1936, became a U.S. citizen and joined the Army, where he worked to try to develop an antidote for mustard gas, among other projects, according to his family. He spent 40 years as a cancer researcher at a veterans hospital in Minneapolis.

The company that runs the nursing home refused to comment, citing federal privacy laws.

Gagne was the founder and owner of the American Wrestling Association and wore its championship belt. In the 1960s and '70s, his "All-Star Wrestling" was a TV sensation. The show was a modest affair, taped before small audiences at various Minneapolis TV stations. But it was syndicated on up to 120 channels across the Midwest and as far away as San Francisco, Las Vegas, Phoenix, Salt Lake City and Winnipeg, Canada.

Robert Francis

BURLEY — Robert "Bob" Montgomery Francis, age 84, of Burley, passed away at his home Tuesday, March 3, 2009.

He was born Dec. 21, 1924, in Ely, Nev., the son of William Joseph and Priscilla Elizabeth Montgomery Francis. Robert received his education in Ely, graduating from White Pine High School. He continued his education at Brigham Young University in Provo, where he received bachelor's and master's degrees in education. He was a veteran of World War II, serving in the United States Navy in the Pacific Theater. He married Beverly Jean Nobbs in the Logan LDS Temple on July 31, 1952.

Robert taught fifth grade in Buhl prior to moving to Burley, where he was the guidance counselor at Burley High School. He was an active member of the LDS Church. As a young man, he served a mission in England. He taught seminary, was on the stake high council, a bishop's counselor, temple ordinance worker and served as bishop of the Springdale ward. He and his wife served as missionaries in Detroit, Mich. Robert enjoyed fishing and loved to travel.

He visited all 50 states, Puerto Rico and numerous other countries. He enjoyed people, and his greatest love was his family and friends.



He is survived by his wife, Beverly of Burley; his children, Daniel Nobbs (Linda Francis of Woodburn, Ore.,

Michael W a y n e Francis of Anacortes, W a s h . , M a r y a n n Francis of B u r l e y , D a v i d Montgomery (Barbara) Francis of Burley and Patricia Francis (Rod) Lloyd of Atkasuk, Alaska; his sister, Alma Rae Francis (Daryle) Garfield of North Ogden, Utah; 13 grandchildren; and 11 great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents; a daughter-in-law, Linda Jo Francis; four brothers, David, Pete, Tony and Jack; and one sister, Lucile.

The funeral will be held at noon Saturday, March 7, at the Springdale LDS Church, 200 S. 475 E. of Burley, with Bishop Jared C. Johnson officiating. Burial will be in the Pleasant View Cemetery, with military rites provided by the Mini-Cassia Veterans and Auxiliary.

Friends may call from 6 until 8 p.m. Friday, March 6, at the Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St. in Burley, and from 11 until 11:45 a.m. Saturday at the church.

The family expresses their sincere appreciation to the staff of Intermountain Home Health and Hospice for the extraordinary care and compassion shown to Bob.

John H. Darrow

CASTLEFORD — John H. Darrow passed away Wednesday, March 4, 2009, at his home in Castleford at the age of 88.

John was born May 3, 1920, in Coaldale, Alberta, Canada, to Howard C. and Grace Harris Darrow. When John was 2 years old, the family moved back to the family homestead in Castleford, where John lived and farmed until his death.

He attended elementary school at Sunset View School and graduated from Castleford High School in 1938. He met Verna Nielsen at Albion State Normal College on a blind date arranged by his best friend, Alvin Harmon. John and Verna were married on June 28, 1941, in Malad. They made their home in Castleford, where they raised three children, a son and two daughters.

Besides Verna and his family, farming was John's life. He started at the age of 7 working in the fields with a team of mules. He bought his first self-propelled combine in 1950 and spent the next 30-plus years doing custom combining from Rupert to Blue

Gulch. He was also a real "do-it-yourselfer." He never encountered a piece of machinery that he couldn't repair or improve.

John was a charter member of the Castleford Men's Club, served two terms on the Castleford School Board, was named Coors Barley Grower of the Year in 1989 and received the Castleford Men's Club Community Service Award in 1989. He loved to hunt, fish and snowmobile with friends and family and spent many hours attending sporting events and musical programs to watch his grandchildren and great-grandchildren perform.

John was preceded in death by his parents and four sisters, June, Helen, Miriam and Norma. He is survived by his wife, Verna; son, Curtis (Shari) Darrow of Castleford; daughters, Sandra (Buzz) Mayden of Pocatello and Bernice (Doug) Bybee of Castleford; nine grandchildren; and 22 great-grandchildren.

The funeral will be conducted at 2 p.m. Monday, March 9, at Farmer Funeral Chapel in Buhl. Interment will follow at West End Cemetery.

The family suggests memorials to the Castleford QRU, Primary Children's Hospital in Salt Lake City or any charity of choice.

Dean Hadden

PAUL — Dean Hadden went home to be with his Lord and Savior on Tuesday, March 3, 2009. He had 55 full years of life well spent.

He was born in Pendleton, Ore., on April 17, 1953, and moved to Idaho as a child. He married LuAnn Hasselstrom on May 6, 1974. Together, they made daily sacrifices to provide for their large family which was his most prized possession. He was a man of prayer and strength for all those he knew and loved. He will be dearly missed by his family, but we look forward to being with him again.

He was preceded in death by his mother, Lois Anne (Chapman) Hadden; and his brother, Billy Rae Hadden. He is survived by his wife, LuAnn; his eight children, Katrina

(Tim) Cottom, KiKi Hadden, Kimberly (Jon-athan) Skeith, Kari Hadden, Kenna Hadden, Wesley Dean (Jessica Hoffbuhr) Hadden, Kelsi Hadden and Jeremy Dunahoo; his father, Art Hadden; his stepmom, June Hadden; his brothers, John Hadden and Brad Hadden; his sisters, Kari Brown and Nikki Hadden; and his grandchildren, Kaden Cottom (12), Riley Cottom (10), Jakobi Cottom (5), Abigail Cottom (3), Naomi Skeith (3), Noah Skeith (1) and Elle Joy Skeith (born Feb. 28, 2009).

A celebration of Dean's life will be held at 2 p.m. Monday, March 9, at the Paul Congregational Church, 121 N. Second W. in Paul, with Tim Cottom officiating. A viewing will be held from 4 until 6 p.m. Sunday, March 8, at the Paul Congregational Church. Funeral arrangements have been entrusted to the care of the Rasmussen Funeral Home of Burley.

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. every day. To view or submit obituaries online, or to place a message in an individual online guestbook, go to www.magicvalley.com and click on "Obituaries."

Charles Alfred 'Charlie' Niska

Charles Alfred "Charlie" Niska, 63, returned to his Father in Heaven to receive his crown on March 4, 2009.

He was born March 30, 1945, at Elk River, Minn., the son of Melvin A. Niska and Linda Hendrickson Niska. He was raised in Minnesota and attended schools there. He served his country in the U.S. Army from 1965 to 1969. On Dec. 31, 1970, Charlie married Eleanor Erickson in Farmington, Mich. They raised eight children.

Charlie worked as an electrical dispatcher for Montana Dakota Utilities while they lived in Minnesota and North Dakota. They settled in Idaho in 1989, where Charlie worked as an auto mechanic. Charlie was a man of faith, honesty and service

whose thanks and praise go to God.

He is survived by his wife, Eleanor; their children, Matthew (Amelia), Jonathan (Katie), Martin (DeeAnn), Rachel, Cara, Seth (Meagan), Paul and Daniel. He is also survived by eight sisters and three brothers, 15 grandchildren, and many extended family members and friends. He was preceded in death by one daughter, Ann Rebecca; one son, Roger Alan; one granddaughter, Lillian Marie; two sisters, Marian and Ida; and his parents.

A funeral service will be conducted at 11 a.m. Monday, March 9, at Life Church of the Magic Valley, 25 E. 100 South in Jerome. A visitation will be held Sunday, March 8, at Farnsworth Mortuary, 1343 S. Lincoln in Jerome, where family and friends may call from 4 to 8 p.m., and again one hour prior to the service Monday at Life Church. A private interment will follow in the Jerome Cemetery.



SERVICES

Bruno Floyd Zampedri of Rupert, funeral Mass at 10 a.m. today at St. Nicholas Catholic Church, 802 F St. in Rupert (Hansen Mortuary in Rupert).

Dorothy Ann House of Paul, memorial service at 11 a.m. today at the Rupert United Methodist Church, 605 H St. (Rasmussen Funeral Home in Burley).

Janet Linda Glorfield Van Every of Pocatello and formerly of Rupert, funeral at 11 a.m. today at the Pocatello LDS West Stake Center on the corner of Hawthorne and Eldredge; visitation one hour before the funeral today at the church (Colonial Funeral Home in Pocatello).

Lennie L. Eisenhauer of Filer, funeral at 11 a.m. today at Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Road in Twin Falls.

Marilyn Adelaide Bengtson Sederlund of Frederic, Wis., and formerly of Shoshone, celebration of life at 2 p.m. today at the Pilgrim Lutheran Church in Frederic, Wis.

Barton E. Sonner of Buhl, memorial and Masonic service at 2 p.m. today at the Buhl United Methodist Church; reception follows at the church.

Irene Blick of Buhl, grave-

side service at 10 a.m. Saturday at the West End Cemetery in Buhl; visitation from 4 to 8 p.m. today at White Mortuary in Twin Falls.

Alice Rosemond (Boyd) Baugh of Burley, funeral at 11 a.m. Saturday at Hansen-Payne Mortuary, 321 E. Main St. in Burley; visitation from 5 to 7 p.m. today and one hour before the funeral Saturday at the mortuary.

Elmer Dalling Eddington of Idaho Falls and formerly of Rupert, funeral at 1 p.m. Saturday at the Rupert LDS 10th Ward Church, 526 S. F St.; visitation from 6 to 8 p.m. today at the Hansen Mortuary Rupert Chapel, 710 Sixth St.

Donna Joy Edinborough Petterson of Twin Falls, funeral at 2 p.m. Saturday at Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Road in Twin Falls; visitation from 6 to 8 p.m. today and one hour before the funeral Saturday at the mortuary.

Doris Hollis Dean of Cheney, Wash., and formerly of Twin Falls, memorial service at 3 p.m. Saturday at White Mortuary in Twin Falls.

James W. Cobb of Buhl, memorial service at 11 a.m. Monday at Farmer Funeral Chapel in Buhl.

DEATH NOTICES

Jeanne Meamber

BURLEY — Regenia Mae "Jeanne" Meamber, 71, of Burley, died Thursday, March 5, 2009, at her home.

A memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. Tuesday, March 10, at the Burley United Methodist Church, 450 E. 27th St.; visitation before the service at the church (Rasmussen Funeral Home of Burley).

JoeAnn Reed

HAILEY — JoeAnn Reed, 74, of Hailey, died Tuesday, March 3, 2009, at St. Luke's Wood River Medical Center in Ketchum.

Arrangements will be announced by Wood River Chapel of Hailey.

Leona P. Carlson

BURLEY — Leona Peterson Carlson, 93, of San Antonio, Texas, and formerly of Burley, died Monday, March 2, 2009, at her daugh-

ter's home in Texas. The funeral will be held at 11 a.m. Thursday, March 12, at the Burley LDS West Stake Center, 2420 Parke Ave.; visitation from 6 to 8 p.m. Wednesday, March 11, at the Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St. in Burley, and 10 to 10:45 a.m. Thursday at the church.

Patrick J. Sullivan

RUPERT — Patrick J. Sullivan, 67, of Rupert, died Tuesday, March 3, 2009, at his home.

At his request, no formal service will be held (Morrison Funeral Home and Crematory in Rupert).

Joseph D. Hansen

FILER — Joseph David Hansen, 67, died March 5, 2009, at St. Luke's Medical Center in Boise.

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

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TWIN FALLS FORECAST

Today: A few more light snow showers. Highs, 30s.
Tonight: Becoming partly cloudy. Lows, 20s.
Tomorrow: Scattered clouds. Highs, lower 40s.

BURLEY/RUPERT FORECAST

Today: Maybe a few morning flurries, otherwise mostly cloudy. Highs, 30s.
Tonight: Mostly to partly cloudy. Lows near 20.
Tomorrow: Partly cloudy skies. Highs near 40.

IDAHO'S FORECAST

SUN VALLEY, SURROUNDING MTS. The snow will taper off throughout the day, but additional light accumulations are expected still in the morning. There could be a few flurries on Saturday too.
Map showing weather conditions across Idaho with various city forecasts.

TWIN FALLS FIVE-DAY FORECAST

Today Tonight Saturday Sunday Monday Tuesday
Light snow Partial clearing Partly cloudy Mostly cloudy, just a slight chance of flurries Scattered clouds Variably cloudy
High 36 Low 22 42 / 27 37 / 23 34 / 20 38 / 23

Yesterday's Weather

Table with columns: City, Hi, Lo, Precip. Lists weather for Boise, Burley, Challis, etc.

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Temperature, Precipitation, Humidity, Barometric Pressure, Sunrise and Sunset, Moonrise and Moonset, U. V. INDEX. Includes various weather statistics and moon phases.

REGIONAL FORECAST

Table with columns: City, Today, Tomorrow, Sunday. Lists forecasts for Boise, Bonners Ferry, Burley, etc.

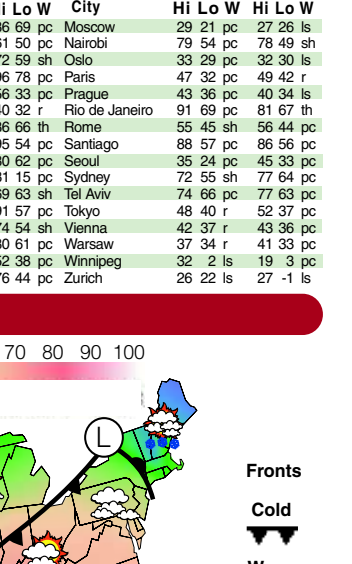
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TODAY'S NATIONAL MAP



GREGG MIDDLEKAUFF'S QUOTE OF THE DAY: "People think I'm disciplined. It is not discipline. It is devotion. There is a great difference." Includes a photo of Gregg Middlekauff.

CANADIAN FORECAST

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Study dates first domesticated horses to 5,500 years ago

By Randolph E. Schmid Associated Press writer
WASHINGTON — People and horses have trekked together through at least 5,500 years of history, according to an international team of researchers reporting in today's edition of the journal Science.

domesticated as much as 15,000 years ago, and such food animals as sheep, goats and pigs, horses are relatively late arrivals in the human relationship.
"It is not so much the domestication of the horse that is important, but the invention of horseback riding," commented anthropologist David W. Anthony of Hartwick College in Oneonta, N.Y.

Judge: Man not responsible for beheading

WINNIPEG, Manitoba (AP) — A Canadian judge ruled Thursday that a man accused of beheading and cannibalizing a fellow Greyhound bus passenger is not criminally responsible due to mental illness.
The decision means Chinese immigrant Vince Li will be treated in a mental institution instead of going to prison. The family of victim Tim McLean said Li got away with murder.

Li will be institutionalized without a criminal record and reassessed every year by a mental health review board to determine if he is fit for release.
DeDelley said a yearly hearing is ridiculous and Li should be locked up for the rest of his life.

That Li killed the 22-year-old carnival worker was never in question at the trial. Li has admitted he killed McLean but pleaded not guilty.
Witnesses said Li attacked McLean unprovoked as their bus traveled at night along a desolate stretch of the Trans-

Canada Highway.
Passengers fled and stood outside as Li stabbed McLean dozens of times and beheaded and mutilated his body.
Finding himself locked inside the bus, Li finally escaped through a window and was arrested.

Gorbachev criticizes Putin and party, blames West for recession

By Dan Perry Associated Press writer
MOSCOW — In some of his strongest criticism of his successors, Mikhail Gorbachev on Thursday likened Vladimir Putin's United Russia party to the worst of the communists he once led and helped bring down, and said Russia is today a country where the parliament and the judiciary are not fully free.

and moral, humanistic principles" — as well as, some say, Gorbachev himself. A little aged and more heavy-set perhaps, Gorbachev, 78, seemed feisty, friendly and often reminiscent of the man who once ruled one of two superpowers on Earth.
Gorbachev is a paradoxical figure even after all these years — widely credited around the world with a historic convulsion he admits he did not intend. He sought to fix communism, not destroy it, and in the interview said that while he was willing to let Eastern Europe go its own way he very much hoped the republics that formed the Soviet Union would stay united.

said Gorbachev, who was forced to step down on Dec. 25, 1991, as the country he led ceased to exist.
He still holds out hope that one day Ukraine, Kazakhstan and Belarus will join with Russia in forming a new union.
He seemed to view the global meltdown as partly the result of years of Western hubris and excess.
"The American media trumpeted ... about the victory in the Cold War, that socialism is down. This disease of extreme self-confidence led to it — the (belief) that things would always go on this way. And it did last long ... I think that now everyone is learning a hard lesson."
"It is necessary to overcome these mistakes of super-consumerism, of super-profits," he said. "We have to think about finding — through the G20 or other institutions — new models of development (and) cooperation."

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Pulling the strings behind the scenes

By **Melissa Davlin**
Times-News writer

BURLEY — An hour and a half before the Feb. 6 showtime, Dallin Breshears and Steve Barras were hard at work.

The two crew members for "Fiddler on the Roof," presented by Mount Harrison Heritage Foundation, were juggling set pieces and props backstage at Burley High School. Actors milled around, pinning their costumes into place and chatting idly, while Breshears and Barras moved tables.

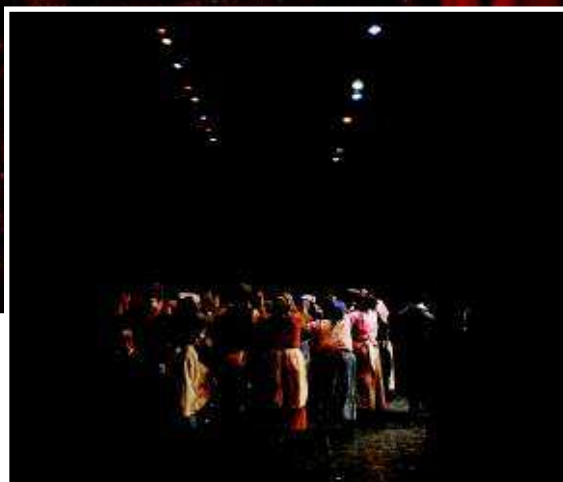
Breshears and Barras are just two of the countless stagehands across south-central Idaho whose backstage work makes theater productions possible.

Theater crew members are responsible for almost everything except the acting and directing. That includes props, lighting, sound, set-up, tear-down and costumes. On the day of the show, they're the first to show up and the last to leave. Long before the production, they're hard at work gathering

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Photos by JUSTIN JACKSON/Times-News



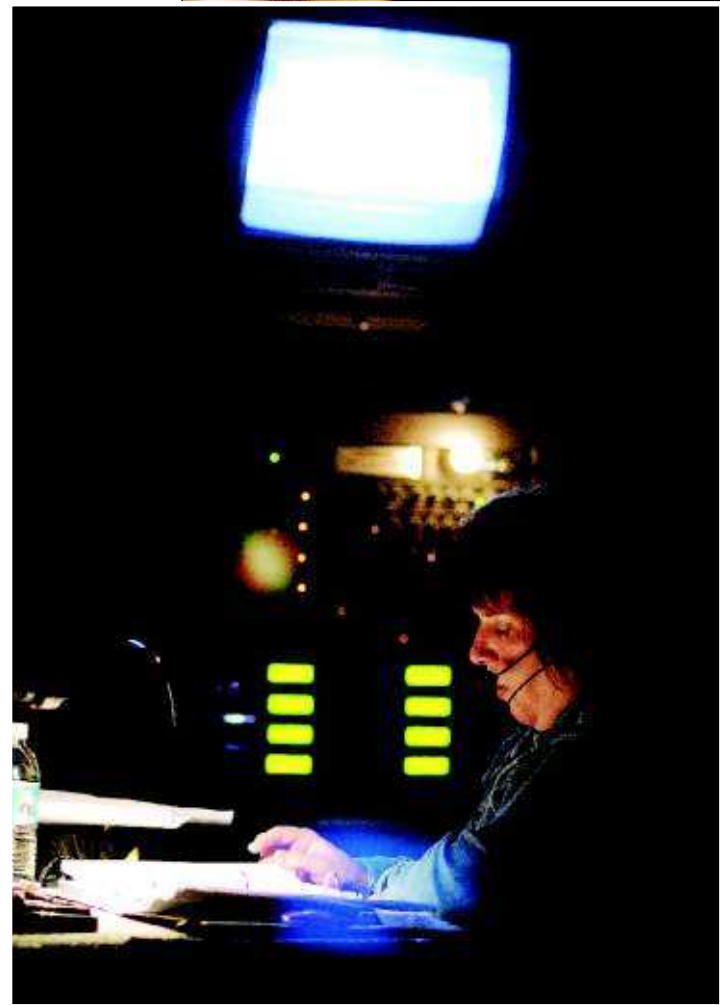
Above: The view from behind the curtain: 'Fiddler on the Roof' performers start the show Feb. 7 in Burley.

Top: Stage lighting cascades down the red curtains of the King Fine Arts Center in Burley.

Left: Script in hand, stage manager Tamara Barras follows along with a Saturday matinee performance of 'Fiddler on the Roof' in early February in Burley.



Above: Stage manager Tamara Barras stands at the backstage entrance before a performance of 'Fiddler on the Roof,' Feb. 7 at the King Fine Arts Center in Burley. She's just one of the stagehands across south-central Idaho whose backstage work makes local theater productions possible.



No rules, no dues, no uptight artists

Free-spirited coalition wants to foster hip scene

By **Melissa Davlin**
Times-News writer

Looking for somewhere to practice your beat poetry or screen your experimental film? You just might find yourself at home with the Twin Falls Artist Coalition.

The newly formed coalition

is accepting artists of all kinds — including painters, musicians, writers, photographers and interpretive dancers — for an edgy, colorful addition to the Magic Valley art scene.

Twin Falls resident Bryan James, 40, had the idea for the group after relocating from Jacksonville, Fla., in June 2007.

James was part of a young artists' group in Florida and was dismayed when he didn't see a similar organization here.

"Basically when I moved here, I met a lot of creative people, but there didn't seem

See **ARTIST**, Entertainment 3



James

THE NEW VIBE

- **What:** Twin Falls Artist Coalition meeting. Members will discuss their upcoming summer arts festival and the future of the coalition.
- **When:** 8 p.m. March 15
- **Where:** Blue Room at Woody's Sports Bar and Grill, 213 Fifth Ave. S. in Twin Falls
- **Who:** Must be 21 or older. No cost to join. (Don't expect to fill out forms or membership applications, either. Just show up, organizer Bryan James said. And don't forget to friend the coalition on MySpace to receive updates.)
- **Information:** tfac_83301@hotmail.com or myspace.com/tfac_83301

INSTANT Critic

Theater: 'Speak Truth to Power: Voices from Beyond the Dark'

Seen Feb. 26 at College of Southern Idaho

Go see this show! I took my English class to watch and respond to this influential production, and we left profoundly moved. The stories presented will remind you of the responsibility we, as a people, have to end human rights violations *everywhere*. Thank you so much, Professor Mannen.

— Jennifer Miller, Magic Valley High School teacher of English, speech and theater

Comedy: Jeff Dye

Seen at College of Southern Idaho, Feb. 19

Thumbs up to a show that was not offensive but just simply funny. I will not be able to watch "Sound of Music" without laughing through "My Favorite Things." Thumbs down, however, to the crying babies in the audience throughout the show — even Jeff commented on it (more than once).

— Teresa Smith of Twin Falls

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Dress up for scholarship finals, first Curtain Call Awards

Times-News

It will soon be red carpet time for southern Idaho, as the Danny Marona Performing Arts Scholarship Finals and the first Curtain Call Awards light up the stage to honor the best local performers, at 7 p.m. April 3 at the College of Southern Idaho Fine Arts Auditorium.

Students vying for scholarships earned their finals berths in regional competitions in early January and will compete for a first prize of \$5,000.

Sharing the evening are the Curtain Call Awards, organized by the Marona scholarship fund and designed to become an annual event. Nominees are listed at curtaincallawards.com, where anyone may pay to join the Curtain Call Awards Association and vote for their 2008 production favorites. Voting deadline is March 30.

Glitz will be the order of the evening. While there will be

no dress code, organizers encourage attendees to "glam it up" for a high-energy atmosphere.

"Make it a great date night, even if you're bringing your mom, son or best friend," said Diane Stevens, executive assistant for the Marona fund. "This is the Magic Valley's chance to see American Idol and the Tony Awards all rolled into one, only better."

You can also bring placards to support favorite competitors.

"Although we normally suggest a \$10 minimum donation at the door," Marona said in a press release, "we are sensitive to the economic times and encourage all to feel welcome to come out and support the students competing and those who have been nominated for theatrical awards for 2008 productions."

Information: 1-888-627-6621 or curtaincallawards83301@yahoo.com.

Slam poet headlines diversity program at CSI

Times-News

The College of Southern Idaho Diversity Council will present its second annual "Rhythm of Life" program at 7 p.m. Wednesday in the Fine Arts Theater.

According to organizer Sherree Haggan, the program headliner will be Rudy Francisco, a slam poet from San Diego. The program will also feature several area break dancers and vocalists.

The program is scheduled to run from 7 to 9 p.m., and free refreshments will be available in the Fine Arts lobby after the performance. CSI students with current ID will be admitted free.

Public admission is \$5 per person.

Information about the program: Haggan at shehaggan0726@students.csi.

Information about Francisco: myspace.com/rudyfranciscothepoet.

Calling area poster artists

Times-News

KETCHUM — Wagon Days organizers are seeking submissions for the 2009 Wagon Days Poster.

The posters are treasured souvenirs of the annual Wagon Days parade, and many have been collectors' items over the years. Last year's poster was painted by artist Jane Wooster Scott. Others have featured photographs of the ore wagons, collages, pastels, watercolors and oil paintings.

The artist who is chosen will receive a small stipend and an opportunity to ride in the Wagon Days parade.

Submissions are due Monday. Information: Sun Valley Events at 726-2777.

The making of a lady

By Erica Littlefield
Times-News correspondent

Eliza Doolittle wants nothing more than to be a proper lady in a flower shop, and to sit in an enormous chair by a roaring fire.

Instead, the poor Cockney flower girl has to sell her wares on the cold London streets. Her life changes forever when she meets Professor Henry Higgins, a linguist who makes a bet with fellow scholar Colonel Pickering that he can turn Eliza into a society girl and pass her off as a duchess at a ball.

Eliza's story will play out on stage as the Dilettante Group of Magic Valley presents Alan Jay Lerner and Frederick Loewe's classic musical "My Fair Lady." Opening night is Thursday at 7:30 p.m., and the show runs through March 15 at the College of Southern Idaho Fine Arts auditorium.

Directed by Lori Henson, the cast includes Stacie Jensen as the charming Eliza; Jon Hunt as Professor Higgins; Jim Latham as Eliza's father, Alfred P. Doolittle; Mike Winterholler as Colonel Pickering; and Joseph Bostead as Freddy Eynsford-Hill, Eliza's suitor.

"My Fair Lady" is based on George Bernard Shaw's play



ASHLEY SMITH/Times-News

Jon Hunt, as Professor Henry Higgins, rehearses in late February with the Dilettante Group of Magic Valley for its upcoming performance of 'My Fair Lady.' The play opens Thursday at the College of Southern Idaho Fine Arts Center auditorium.

"Pygmalion," and Eliza's transformation is one of its main themes.

Some of the most endearing scenes are the ones where Eliza struggles with what Professor Higgins tries to teach her about proper

speech and manners.

Higgins is a demanding teacher, and the way Jensen and Hunt play the duo's love/hate relationship is spot on. Through it all, Eliza tries her best, and she finally makes a breakthrough in the

DON'T MISS A 'LOVERLY' SHOW

- **What:** Dilettante Group of Magic Valley presents Lerner and Loewe's classic musical "My Fair Lady"
- **When:** 7:30 p.m. Thursday and March 13; 2 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. March 14; and 2 p.m. March 15
- **Where:** College of Southern Idaho's Fine Arts Center auditorium
- **Tickets:** \$10 general admission, available at Everybody's Business, Kurt's Pharmacy, Norm's Cafe, from any cast member or at the door
- **Next week in Entertainment:** Watch for Erica Littlefield's story about the Dilettantes' trials and triumphs in bringing the show to life.

jubilant "The Rain in Spain." "I'm a good girl, I am!" is Eliza's mantra throughout the show.

Along with "The Rain in Spain," the show is full of some of the most popular songs in the show tune canon.

At the March 14 afternoon matinee, the audience can sing along with favorite songs, from "Wouldn't it Be Lovely," to "Get Me to the Church On Time" and "I Could Have Danced All Night."

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JUDI BAXTER

BookChat

Buhl man finds poetry in ordinary things

I am the first to admit: I do not often read poetry — except tomes for children, which are quite numerous, often humorous and a great deal of fun. So when I was asked to review "Wind Songs From Turtle's Back," by Buhl poet Jack Goodman, I felt a certain amount of trepidation. Poetry is, by its nature, an oral genre. Hearing a poem read aloud will evoke a totally different response than reading that poem.

So it was with great delight I attended a release party for the book where Goodman read several selections to an enthusiastic crowd. Hearing his voice, seeing his face and observing the audience's rapt attention coalesced into an incredible experience. Soft-spoken and unassuming, he seemed a bit overwhelmed with the entire event, as if he could not believe people would actually come to hear him share his pitch-perfect poems — and then, buy the book!

Writing is not easy (just ask how long it takes me to write this column!), but being able to paint a picture, summon a mood, or taste a season with so few words is nothing short of miraculous. And that is what Goodman does, and does very well.

He is a cattleman, mountain climber and close observer of nature. As he puts it, "The more I write about the beauty of ordinary things, the more beauty I am able to see. If you can't see the beauty in ordinary things, how will you recognize it in the extraordinary?"

Just glancing at the table of contents grants the reader a sense of nature: "Horses at Dusk," "Canoeing Down the Snake," "Watching My Cat," "Coloring the Air," "October, Wild Geese Calling," "Sitting on the Front Porch in Autumn."

Perhaps because I grew up on a farm, poems such as "Lost Calf," "Roll Call of Dogs" and "From the Kitchen Window" certainly spoke to me. With fewer than a dozen words, Goodman reveals his amazing talent as a painter with words:

*Feeding, Four Below
So cold this morning —
my cowl wearing Fu
Manchus
of ice.*

This one will undeniably bring a sigh of agreement for those who love to spend time canoeing on the Snake:

*Following the River
Paddles, dip diamonds
from the green water,
huge fish glide
beneath the boat
like frozen
shadows thawing.
The surface of the river
is perfectly still — a finite
mirror reflecting infinity —
day lingers,
time whittling
at its edges.*

Being a dog lover, I could hardly get through "Requiem for Mousie." I, too, have a small, special mound in my orchard.

The first and last line of "Epilogue" says it all:

To know the land ... is to know love.

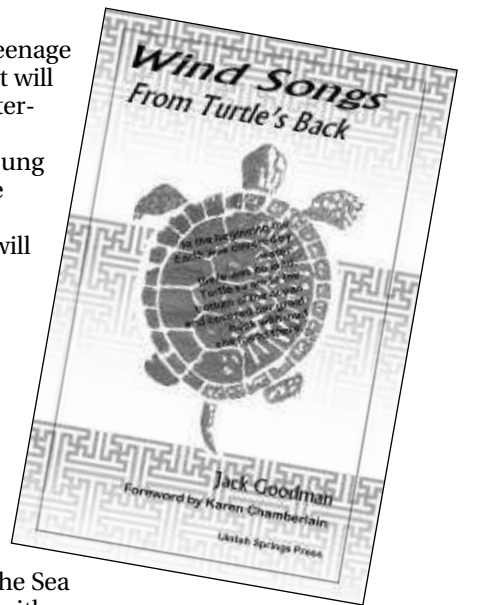
While waiting for that first robin to appear, treat yourself to a special gift and pick up a copy of "Wind Songs From Turtle's Back." The book is available at Barnes & Noble and at Natural Way Health Food Store in downtown Twin Falls.

Castleford-based Uintah Springs Press is the publisher of "Wind Songs" and has done an outstanding job. From the illustrated cover to the inside layout, it is a well-done, professional chapbook. (uintah4@filertel.com)

Former Magic Valley resident and educator P.D. Tilley has published his book "Adventures with Lewis & Clark" (Booksurge.com \$19.99). Although the main

characters are two teenage boys, it is a story that will appeal to anyone interested in this famous expedition. Some young readers may find the 400-plus pages a bit intimidating, but it will be well worth their time. A wonderful addition for classroom, school and public libraries.

Gooding resident Walter Baucum has written a scholarly tome titled "Bronze Age Atlantis: The International Nautical Empire of the Sea Peoples." Complete with extensive footnotes, glossary, bibliography, index, maps and illustrations, the book gives readers a new look at age-old ideas about the lost continent. Not an easy read, but definitely interesting and thought-provoking. (For additional information, contact the author at



Wwbaucum@aol.com.)

Judi Baxter owned and operated Judi's Bookstore in downtown Twin Falls from 1978 to 1992. From 2000 to 2004 she wrote a twice-weekly column for Publisher's Weekly's online edition called "Reviews in the News."

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Artist

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to be much of an arts scene around here," he said.

That is, an alternative scene dominated by the young, the hip, the nonconformists and the free spirits.

He approached some local artists and spread the word through MySpace and word of mouth. David Woodhead, owner of Woody's Sports Bar and Grill and Sidewinder Saloon in Twin Falls, offered a meeting area for them. On Sunday, 10 people, including a comic book writer and a graffiti artist, showed up for the first meeting, where they discussed a potential arts festival for this June.

Twin Falls jewelry maker Jessi Boyer, 25, said the coalition is sorely needed in Magic Valley.

"There's a lot of people who are very community oriented, young artists who want to get involved but don't really know where to start," Boyer said.

But what about existing groups, like Magic Valley Arts Council or Buhl Arts Council?

James said he wanted to provide an alternative to more traditional artist groups. Unlike the arts councils, the new coalition has no board of directors, no membership fees, no rules or regulations or obligations for joining artists. Leaders don't plan to charge commission on any art sold at festivals and aren't interested in seeking nonprofit status at the moment.

Sound a little unstructured? That's the point, James said.

Twin Falls Artist Coalition

Scenes

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props, working on lighting tech and securing equipment to use for the big show.

Heidi Walton, secretary for The Dilettante Group of Magic Valley, said shows couldn't survive without help from backstage crews.

"They're essential," said Walton, in charge of costumes and publicity for the Dilettantes' upcoming show, "My Fair Lady."

The worst theater disaster she's ever seen: An actor split his pants right before he had to go onstage. (Walton fixed the rip with her always-on-scene sewing machine.) She has heard of worse, though — think toppling set pieces in the middle of a scene.

No matter what happens, the show must go on. During the Friday showing of "Fiddler on the Roof" last month, no one could find the candlesticks for the wedding scene before the actors had to go on stage. Stagehands found them in the middle of the scene; Barras hid behind the curtains and shoved them into a nearby actor's hands. Did the audience see? Maybe, but at least the candlestick props were on stage in time for the gift-giving sequence.

The Burley crew wore all black to help them blend in with the shadowy depths of backstage. At the very back of the stage, heavy curtains blocked all light, so tiny blue beacons helped Breshears and Barras navigate the props. Actors waiting their turn to go on stage rested on the prop bed.

Between scenes, stagehands navigated the darkened stage, replacing set pieces from the previous scene with new ones. Sometimes, actors helped: Tevye shifted his own hand cart into place, while the rabbi helped move the inn.

While director Christine Horsley was distracted, Breshears helped gather money from actors to buy her flowers to be presented after the final performance of "Fiddler" — the first play Horsley directed. The flowers were the least they could do to thank her for the hard work.

But would anyone remember to thank the stage crew?

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Twin Falls artist Jessi Boyer makes jewelry out of antique beads, found items and natural materials. Boyer, who goes by jessi b. as an artist, is a member of the new Twin Falls Artist Coalition.

Photo courtesy of JESSI BOYER

"is more in the vein of the old punk idea of do-it-yourself," James said.

Buhl filmmaker Terrilyn Skyop, 44, was more blunt on her feelings about existing artist groups.

"A lot of them seem to be kind of uptight and really expensive," said Skyop, who plans to screen her upcoming film, "The Re-Keying," at the first art festival. She joined the coalition because the group seemed more friendly and community oriented.

"They're very inviting," Skyop said.

That's not to say the coalition isn't interested in working with Magic Valley Arts Council. Boyer said she would love to see collaboration between the two crews.

Twin Falls sculptor Yvonne

Jacques said Magic Valley has plenty of room for multiple artist groups.

"I think the more the merrier, frankly," said Jacques, whose work is currently displayed at the arts council's Galeria Pequena. "Certainly I would like to see a mixing of the groups, but I think there's a place for two groups."

Jacques noted that many arts council members are older than the coalition members, most of whom are in their 20s. Magic Valley photographer David Frey, in his late 20s, was the only exception she could think of.

So for now, the young artists involved with the Twin Falls Artist Coalition aim to carve their own mark into the southern Idaho art scene.

"I think it's really exciting," Boyer said.

Short-film extravaganza makes splash for film fans, anglers

Times-News

The Drake magazine, a journal for fly fishing enthusiasts, released its schedule of locations where a collection of this year's fly fishing films will be shown, and Hailey is among them. The Fly Fishing Film Tour will make stops in more than 50 cities by mid-April.

The tour includes short films from Felt Soul Media, Beattie Outdoor Productions, Confluence Films, Rollcast Productions, World Angling, Skinny Fist Productions and more. This year's lineup offers a global experience, showcasing footage shot in Papua New

Guinea, Russia, New Zealand, Belize and India, as well as domestic waters from California and Colorado to Southern Louisiana and the Florida Keys.

Each film has its own blend of commentary, storytelling and impressive fish, organizers said.

"The main focus of this tour," said Tom Bie, editor of The Drake, "is to showcase the talent of these filmmakers, raise some money for various conservation groups, and provide fly fishers — or those interested in becoming fly fishers — an evening of entertainment at a time when many rivers in

the country are still closed. It may also be the only legitimate chance all winter for thousands of lonely fly tyers to actually get a date."

The Fly Fishing Film Tour will make its debut in Hailey this year, screening to the public at the Liberty Theatre on March 20. Doors will open at 6:30 p.m., and the show will start at 7 p.m. Prices are \$15 for adults, \$13 for seniors and \$10 for children under 12. Program length is two hours, with a 30-minute intermission when attendees have a chance to win sponsor gear. To buy tickets or watch trailers, visit www.FlyFishingFilmTour.com.

Sign language entertainer comes to CSI

Times-News

Keith Wann, a comic who specializes in storytelling and comedy geared to the deaf culture, will come to the College of Southern Idaho Fine Arts Theater at 7 p.m. April 6.

Born as a hearing person to deaf parents, Wann grew up experiencing both the hearing and deaf worlds, hence the title of his show: "Watching Two Worlds Collide." The one-man show is entertaining for everyone,

said CSI sign language instructor Dawnette Reis.

"Naturally, we want the non-hearing to come enjoy the show, but this will also be a cultural and entertaining experience for the majority people," she said, referring to

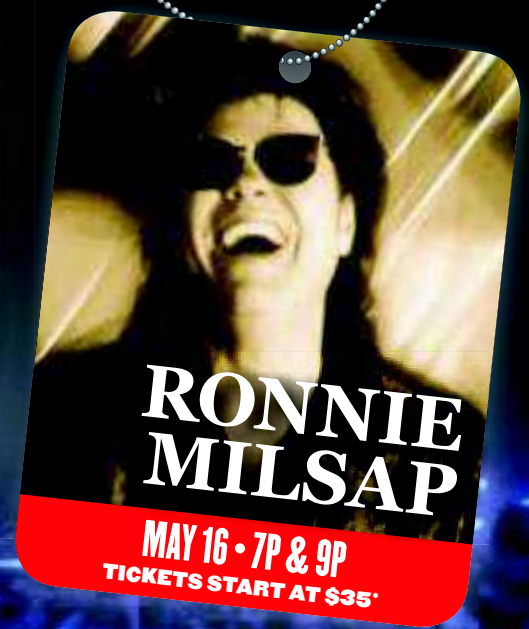
those in the audience who hear.

CSI students with current ID may attend free. Public tickets will be \$5 at the door. Information: Reis at 732-6881 or dries@csi.edu. Info about Wann: keithwann.com.

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Marcellus Brown, right, director of bands at Boise State University, makes some music with Alex Skrudland, 13, and several other young Magic Valley musicians at Music Fest in 2002.

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Music Fest moves up scholarship deadline

Applications due Tuesday

By Blair Koch
Times-News correspondent

Young music lovers and those considering a college education in the art should definitely attend Music Fest 2009, advises Twin Falls violinist Madison Folkman.

The 15-year-old has studied the stringed instrument for eight years and participated in Music Fest, a week-long day camp at the College of Southern Idaho, for four seasons.

"Music Fest is always a lot of fun. You learn a lot and make friends with the other musicians," Folkman said. "During a private lesson one year I was told I needed a new E-string to play the 'stinger' vibrato in the piece and would have to order it special. Before that I had no idea that you could use different strings to make different sounds."

This year Folkman looks forward to having Wendy Hartman, orchestra director at Boise High School and cellist in the Boise Philharmonic, lead the strings program at the festival.

"She was at Fest a couple years ago and was great," Folkman said. "I'm glad she's coming back."

Other instructors slated include Capital City Children's Chorus and All City Elementary Honor Choir director Linda Berg, musical theater; Kevin Brower, choral activities director at Brigham Young University-Idaho, choir; Marcellus Brown, director of bands at Boise State University, band/brass instruction; Sue Miller, CSI organ and theory instructor, piano; and Del Parkinson, professor of piano at BSU, also in piano instruction.

Even though Folkman would gladly pay the \$145 registration fee, she wouldn't turn down a scholarship. Folkman, like Buhl vocalist Kristina Nye, is rehearsing for the upcoming scholarship audition in hopes of getting part of the festival cost paid.

Nye earned a scholarship last year and said it was a tremendous help.

"I would go anyway because in all of the classes, like musical theater, jazz band or choir, you learn so much," she said. "I was so impressed with the choir sections last year I looked into going to BYU-Idaho for college."

Nye, 17, a Buhl High School senior, enjoys Music Fest because all of the participants want to be there.

"It's nice when everyone around you is serious about music. They can all read music and you just move through the week learning so much," Nye said.

Music Fest director Camille Cox said the youth festival, now in its 26th year, has moved up the application deadline for students wishing to try out for scholarships.



Seen through the window of her sound-proof rehearsal room, ninth-grader Shayna Price of Burley practices her violin during Music Fest 2003 at the College of Southern Idaho.

SCHOLARSHIP DEADLINE

Applications for students — in seventh through 12th grades — wanting to pursue a scholarship for this year's Music Fest must apply no later than Tuesday. Applications are available at College of Southern Idaho Community Education, 733-9554, ext. 2288. Information: Camille Cox at 733-5227, or Chenele Dixon at 735-1844 or chenele@yahoo.com.

"This gives us more time to get all the paperwork together before fest begins" June 15, Cox said. "Plus a lot of the students who attend Music Fest prepare music for the Twin Falls Music Club festival that takes place at the end of March, so we thought it would help those students to have our scholarship tryouts around the same time."

Scholarships are awarded based on musical merit, paying 30 to 90 percent of registration.

Also, students facing financial hardships can contact Music Fest officials for help to cover the cost, Cox said.

Blair Koch may be reached at 208-316-2607 or blairkoch@gmail.com.

Applications must be received no later than Tuesday, and auditions take place from 4 to 6 p.m. March 27.



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Film festival explores 'universal plight of women'

By Karen Bossick
Times-News correspondent

KETCHUM — American soldiers often talk about how they're creating a more democratic society in Iraq.

But it's a reality at least one Iraqi woman says she has yet to experience.

Layla says the war has created a situation in which the rise of Islamic fundamentalism is putting women's rights at risk. To wit, her shy son has become militant, her once progressive sister has donned the veil and whatever freedom Layla had under Saddam Hussein's secular rule is being eroded.

Layla's story, as told in "My Home, Your War," is one of four films that will be screened during the second Sun Valley Family of Woman Film Festival, March 13-15, at the nexStage Theatre in Ketchum.

The festival offers viewers a chance to learn about women's rights and human rights issues around the world, said founder Peggy Goldwyn of Sun Valley. Goldwyn, who was a screenwriter for "That Girl" and other sitcoms, is also a board member of Americans for the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA), which educates women around the world about family planning, reproductive health and AIDS.

The event kicks off with a free lecture by Pamela Delargy, who leads the UNFPA Humanitarian Relief Unit. Delargy will talk about dealing with women's needs in natural disasters and in conflict areas at 6 p.m. Wednesday at The Community Library in Ketchum.

"Lumo," at 7 p.m. March 13, features the story of a woman in the Democratic Republic of the Congo who was brutally attacked by soldiers. She seeks help through a clinic where she meets other women who share her experience. Delargy and filmmaker Bent-Jorgen Perlmutter will



Photo courtesy of Women Make Movies, www.wmm.com

'My Home, Your War' is a 2006 film by Kylie Grey, produced by Denoux Films Productions. It shows in Ketchum on March 15.

field questions following the film.

"Pray the Devil Back to Hell," at 7 p.m. March 14, chronicles the story of thousands of courageous Liberian women — both Christian and Muslim — who came together to pray for peace and to stage a protest to end their country's bloody civil war.

"My Home, Your War," at 3:30 p.m. March 15, offers a look at the effects of the Iraq War through the eyes of an ordinary Iraqi woman.

"A Walk to Beautiful," at 7:30 p.m. March 15, tells the stories of young Ethiopian women who suffer from fistula, an easily treatable but disabling condition caused by prolonged labor in rural Africa, where emergency transport to the hospital is not via ambulance but by a three- or four-day donkey ride. Filmmaker Mary Olive Smith will field questions following the film.

Last year's films presented a sobering look at a world many Idahoans did not realize exists.

Carol Scheifele-Holmes of Ketchum said she was glad of the chance to learn more about African issues, particularly since her son had just adopted an Ethiopian orphan.

Sharon Henry, development director for UNFPA,

said she was amazed at the community's response. "We have gatherings like this in big cities like L.A., New York City, Seattle and San Francisco but never in such a small community. But everyone in Sun Valley seemed so eager to help and donate money."

Goldwyn said she hopes viewers go away telling others about what they've seen.

"I started this because most Americans don't know about UNFPA, don't know the United Nations has an agency dealing with reproductive health and women's issues," she said. "Films are exciting — they bring distant places to your doorstep and make the universal plight of women more real and compelling."

Tickets for each film are \$15 and can be purchased at Chapter One Bookstore or Iconoclast Books in Ketchum, as well as at the nexStage Theatre. Ticket sales will benefit the United Nations Population Fund.

Karen Bossick may be reached at kbossick@cox-internet.com or 208-578-2111.

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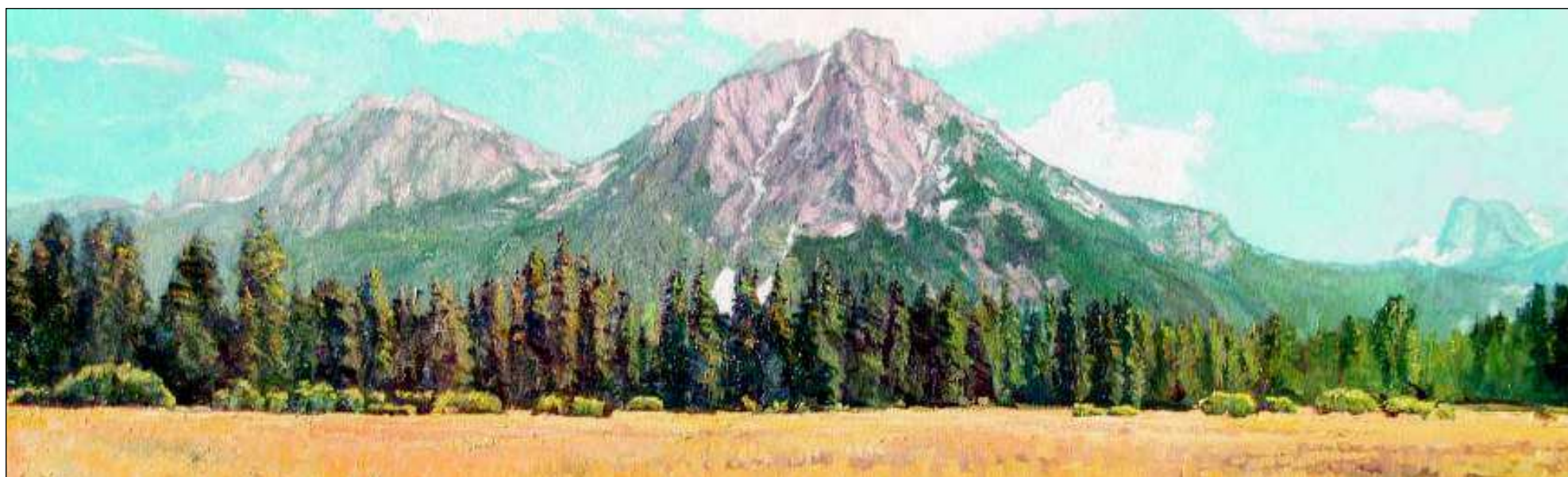
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Burley artist John Horejs' painting 'Sawtooth Meadow' will be on display at Kneeland Gallery during tonight's Gallery Walk around Ketchum.

Courtesy photos

Relish Burley artist's mountains, wildflowers at tonight's Gallery Walk in downtown Ketchum

By Karen Bossick
Times-News correspondent

KETCHUM — John Horejs didn't want a regular lawn when he bought a new home in Burley 15 years ago. So he planted wildflowers.

Now, art lovers throughout the West can share in the blaze of glory that erupts on Horejs' lawn each spring through his bold oil paintings of red poppies, yellow daisies, blue bachelor's buttons and other perennials.

"My mountain landscapes sell in Idaho. My desert scenes sell in Arizona. But my flowers sell everywhere," said Horejs, who often paints on site, working fast and furiously before the paint dries and the light dims.

Several of Horejs' large-scale wildflower paintings and landscapes depicting Thompson Peak and other Sawtooth Mountain beauties will be on display from 6 to 9 p.m. tonight when Kneeland Gallery joins other Ketchum galleries in their March Gallery Walk.

"John starts with a red underpainting, which is something not many artists do," said Carey Molter, director of the gallery at 271 First Ave. N. "It gives a warmth to his work, even if it's a winter scene."

Horejs is one of several south-central Idaho artists whose work

Kneeland Gallery carries, including Lona Hymas-Smith, Robert Moore, Carl Rowe and Dave McGary. His work will be featured during March, along with the splashy desert-scapes and pastoral barns of Louisa McElwain and Bart Walker.

Horejs, born and raised in Twin Falls, has been painting for 35 years. He learned the craft from his Aunt Barbara and trained his eye perusing the art collection at the Twin Falls County Fair. Over time, he has supported his wife, Elaine, and a family of nine children with his oils.

He's a minimalist, using one brush instead of a handful.

"I can do just as much, and it doesn't take as much room," he said.

He uses a minimalist palette, as well, of seven colors plus white.

"It just makes everything simple," he said.

And he makes it easy for those who buy his work to be minimalists: He paints on handmade box canvases that require no frames.

His work has ended up in the public collections of the University of Portland Hospital, St. Luke's Regional Medical Center, Boise Cascade, Morrison-Knudsen and Wells Fargo Bank, as well as the private collections of people like developer Steve Wynn, J.R. Simplot and Microsoft's Paul Allen over the years.



Tonight at Ketchum's Gallery DeNovo will be an opening reception for a collection of brilliant figurative oil paintings and endearing bronze sculptures by Dutch artist Sjer Jacobs. Here, his 'Twee Vrouwen — Two Women.'

Horejs said he has not seen the economic downturn that so many have.

"I had a great January, a good February, and this month is shaping up to be good, too."

As Kneeland curators were putting Horejs' work on their walls,

across the street in the Gail Severn Gallery, Judith Kindler was erecting an entirely different kind of art.

Her new exhibit, which will hang through April 19, is called "Gathering Together" and it features dozens — make that hundreds — of 6-inch-tall figurines made of mixed

media, resin, metal, calcium carbonate and encaustic.

"It's a community of people," said Kindler, who will discuss her work at 10 a.m. Saturday at the gallery, 400 First Ave. N.

Zantman Art Gallery, 360 East Ave. N., will feature the work of Guy Choi, a Korean artist, whose landscapes of Provence look as if they could jump the canvas.

See how fantasy and reality collide in Americans' perception of the West and the implications it has on American identity when Broschofsky Gallery unveils Gordon McConnell's "post-western" paintings. The paintings, also at 360 East Ave. N., were inspired by classic western movies and a keen interest in the post-Civil War frontier.

Friesen Gallery, 320 First Ave. N., will feature Ford Crull's colorful "Biomorphic Births" influenced by late 19th-century French symbolists and poets.

Gallery DeNovo, also at 320 First Ave. N., is exhibiting new abstract people sculptures by Dutch artist Sjer Jacobs.

And Ketchum photographer David Stocklein is showing new photographs of working cattle ranches in a new gallery at Second and Main streets.

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EVENTS CALENDAR

6 FRIDAY



First Friday/Twin Falls
Headwaters, three-piece acoustic band from Stanley with bluegrass and folk music that rocks a bit, 6-9 p.m. at the First Friday event at **Rudy's — A Cook's Paradise**, 147 Main Ave. W.; no cover. Wine and beer by the glass; and food tasting. Also for First Friday, **Magic Valley Arts Council** and **Full Moon Gallery of Fine Art and Contemporary Craft**, 132 Main Ave. S. in Main Street Plaza, open 7-9 p.m., with continued exhibit of gallery members' work at Full Moon and work by Twin Falls sculptor **Yvonne Jacques** in La Galeria Pequena; free and open to the public. Also tonight, **Jensen Jewelers-Ringmakers**, 109 Main Ave. E., open until 8 p.m., with continued artwork exhibit by **Angeli DiLucca** and **Tom Prater**, and new work by Mountain Home artist **Marcus Mashburn**; and **Hands On and The Divine Grind**, 147 Shoshone St. N., feature **CoffeeHouse Night**, 7:30-10:30 p.m., with music by **Mary Grace**, painting and coffee drink specials; no cover.

Theater/Twin Falls
College of Southern Idaho Theater Department presents Ariel Dorfman's **"Speak Truth to Power: Voices from Beyond the Dark"** at 8 p.m. at CSI's Fine Arts Center Theater, 315 Falls Ave. W. Written and adapted from a book by veteran human rights advocate Kerry Kennedy, which examines the quality of courage within women and men who are dramatically changing the course of events in their communities and countries. Tickets are \$8 for adults and \$6 for senior citizens and students, at CSI's Fine Arts box office, 732-6288 or tickets.csi.edu.

Planetarium/Twin Falls
Faulkner Planetarium at College of Southern Idaho's Herrett Center for Arts and Science presents **"Bad Astronomy: Myths and Misconceptions"** at 7 p.m.; and **"Altrageous Rock!"** at 8:15 p.m. Education-show tickets are \$4.50 for adults, \$3.50 for seniors and \$2.50 for students. Tickets for the 8:15 p.m. entertainment show are \$4.50 for all ages.

Jazz/Twin Falls
Spring Jazz Concert, 7:30 p.m. at CSI's Fine Arts Center auditorium. Presented by CSI Jazz Ensemble and an elite choir, the CSI Madrigals. Suggested donation of \$5 at the door to the CSI Music Department scholarship fund.

Arts class/Twin Falls
Fab Fridays "Creative Arts" class for ages 10 to adults, in two sessions, 2-3:30 p.m. or 3:45-5:15 p.m. at Twin Falls Creative Arts Center, 249 Main Ave. W. Learn different art media (painting, drawing and sculpting) plus home arts (candle making, knitting, candy making and counted cross stitch). \$45 per month. 737-9111.

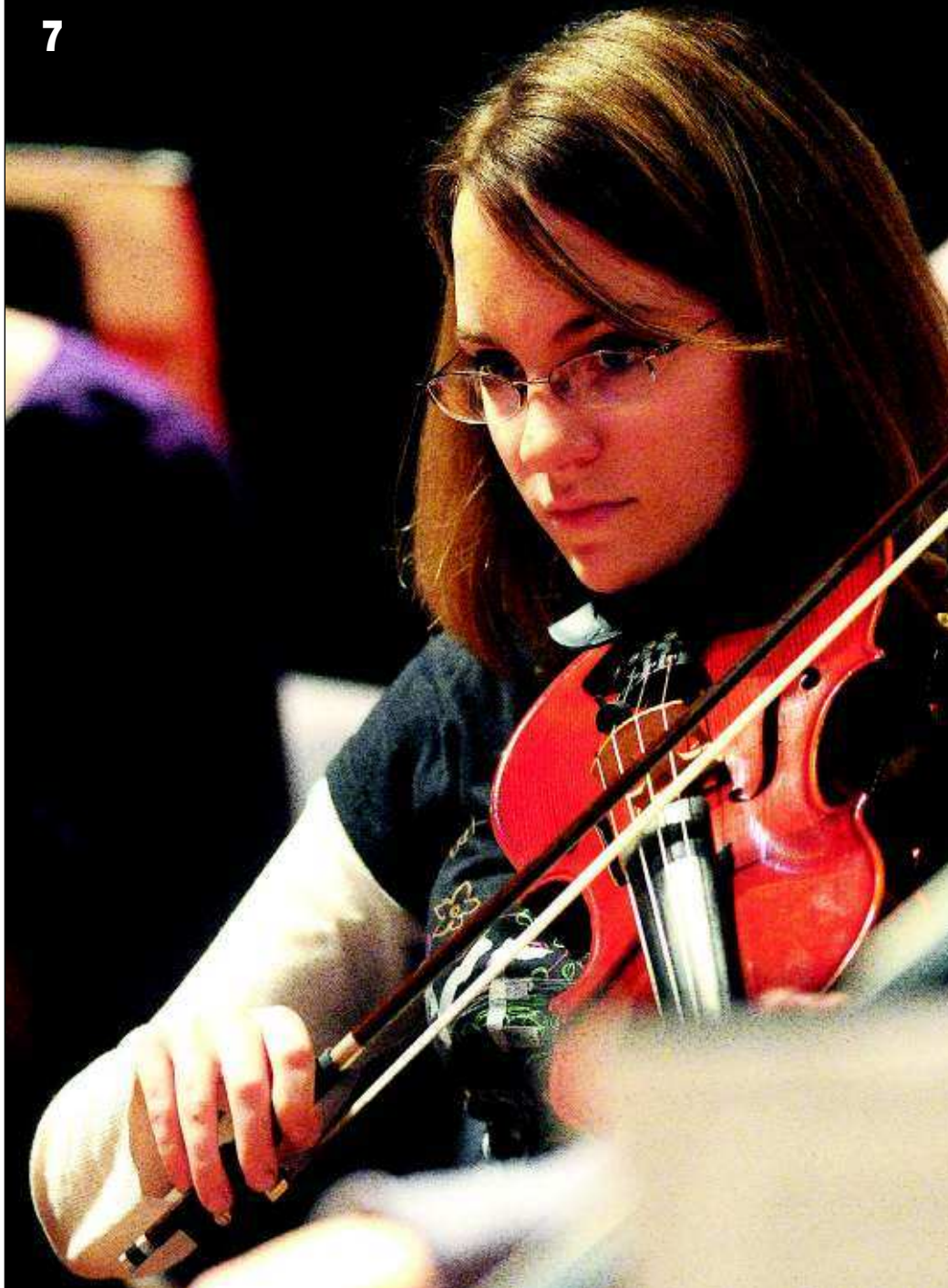
Paintings, sculpture/Ketchum

"New Works," a collection of figurative oil paintings and bronze sculpture by Dutch artist **Sjer Jacobs**, opens today and continues *through APRIL 19* at Gallery DeNovo, 320 First Ave. N., Suite 101. Opening reception: 6-9 p.m. today at the gallery. "New Works" includes radiant portrayals of everyday figures, with vibrant color schemes of bright reds, blues and metallic hues. Human behavior and expression of the scenes are conveyed through a linear technique, with each figure defined by an energetic outline. Exhibition includes Jacobs' small-scale bronze sculptures. Hours: 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday to Friday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday and 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday. Free admission. Gallerydenovo.com or 726-8180.



Art/Twin Falls
David Drake's sculpture show, "Evidence," on display *through MARCH 21* at Jean B. King Gallery at College of Southern Idaho's Herrett Center for Arts and Science. Drake lives in the Palouse region. He taught in the art departments of Washington State University and University of Idaho. His work has been shown as solo installations

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Sydney Sneddon plays viola during a Feb. 28 rehearsal of the Magic Valley Youth Orchestra, at the College of Southern Idaho Fine Arts Auditorium. The youth orchestra and its ensembles perform Saturday.

Movie/Twin Falls
Christian Movie Night, "Born Again," 7 p.m. at River Christian Fellowship, corner of Falls Avenue East and Shoshone Falls Road. Free admission. At 6 p.m., pizza and salad available for a donation. 733-3133.

Dance/Twin Falls
Disabled American Veterans Auxiliary's public dance, 8 p.m. at the DAV Hall, 459 Shoup Ave.; \$2 donations requested.

Easy listening/Twin Falls
Robin Mingo, 8:30-10:30 p.m. at Canyon Crest Dining and Event Center, 330 Canyon Crest Drive. No cover.

Classic rock/Twin Falls
Roughdraft, 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at The Oasis, 1007 Blue Lakes Blvd. N. No cover.

Country, rock/Twin Falls
Copperhead, 8:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. at Montana Steakhouse, 1826 Canyon Crest Drive. No cover.

Jazz/Twin Falls
Great Riff Jazz combo, 7-10 p.m. at Pandora's restaurant, 516 Hansen St. No cover.

Theater/Hailey
Company of Fools and Barksdale Theatre present the

funny biographical play **"Souvenir: A Fantasia on the Life of Florence Foster Jenkins"** by Stephen Temperley, 8 p.m. at Liberty Theatre, 110 N. Main St. Jenkins was a deluded songbird, a rich matron self-financing her operatic dreams late in life, hiring a concert pianist, and designing her own florid costumes. As news of her terrible singing spread, so did her celebrity, leading to a sold-out performance at Carnegie Hall. Tickets are \$25 for adults, \$18 for senior citizens (62 and older) and \$15 for children (18 and younger). Tickets at Liberty Theatre (9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday), 578-9122 or at the box office one hour before the show.

Musical theater/Rupert
Minico High School Music Department presents the musical production **"Seven Brides For Seven Brothers"** at 7 p.m. at the Minico High School auditorium, 100 S. 292 W. Directed by Jeff Collier, choir instructor, with choreography by Kami Fisher. Includes a live pit orchestra, conducted by Julie Plocher. Tickets are \$5 for adults and \$3 for students, from cast members or at the door.

Music/Rupert
Ratz Azz Band, 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Blue Room, 613 Fremont Ave. No cover.

Elko presents **"Between Grass and Sky: Trappings of a Ranch Life,"** an exhibition of handcrafted horse gear, *through AUG. 29* in the center's Wiegand Gallery, 501 Rail-road St. Custom saddlemakers and bitmakers show their work. Hours: 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Monday and Wednesday to Friday, 10:30 to 5:30 p.m. Tuesday, and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday. westernfolklife.org or (888) 880-5885.



Visual arts/Ketchum
"Domestic Life" exhibition on display *through MARCH 21* at Sun Valley Center for the Arts, 191 Fifth St. E. Hours: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday and 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday. Free exhibition tours at 2 p.m. every Tuesday or by appointment. Free admission. sunvalleycenter.org or 726-9491.

Art/Hailey
"June," an installation by Wood River Valley artist **Pamela DeTuncq**, on display *through MARCH 27* at The Center, 314 S. Second Ave. Hours: noon to 5 p.m. Wednesday through Friday. Free admission. sunvalleycenter.org or 726-9491.

Art/Twin Falls
New work by members of Magic Valley Arts Council's Full Moon Gallery of Fine Art and Contemporary Craft, 132 Main Ave. S. in Main Street Plaza, and new work by Twin Falls sculptor **Yvonne Jacques** on display *through MARCH 28* at La Galeria Pequena. Hours: noon to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Friday, and 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday. Free admission. 734-2787 or magic-valleyartsCouncil.org.

Joint exhibition/Nevada
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Theater/Sun Valley
Community School Players present William Shakespeare's **"Othello, the Moor of Venice"** at 7 p.m. at the Community School Theatre, 181 Dollar Road. Directed by Fritz Brun, with Brad Hershey as music director. Tickets are \$8 for adults and \$4 for students, at Chapter One in Ketchum or at the door. 622-3955, ext. 131.

Comedy, music/Sun Valley
Sun Valley Resort Winter Comedy Series, featuring **Tig Notaro** and **Tony Castle**, 6:30 p.m. in the Boiler Room at Sun Valley Village. Doors open at 5:30 p.m.; \$10 cover (\$7 with a current Sun Valley Resort ski pass or lift ticket). Live music after the comedy series: **Lip Service**, doors open at 9 p.m.; \$10 cover (\$5 with Blaine County identification). 622-2148.

Jazz/Sun Valley
Paul Tillotson Trio, 4:30-8:30 p.m., and **Joe Fos Trio**, 9 p.m. to 1 a.m., at Duchin Lounge at Sun Valley Lodge. No cover. 622-2145.

Jazz/Sun Valley
Bruce Innes, 2:30-4:30 at River Run Lodge's Apres Ski. No cover.

Country/Sun Valley
Rob Quist and Great Northern, 2:30-5:30 p.m. at Warm Springs Lodge's Apres Ski. No cover.

Music/Sun Valley
 Accordionist **Tim Eriksen**, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Roundhouse restaurant at Sun Valley Resort, and during dinner hours at Trail Creek Cabin. No cover.

Jazz/Sun Valley
 Jazz pianist **Brooks Hartell**, 4:30-8 p.m. in the Lobby Lounge at Sun Valley Inn. No cover; reservations not required. 622-2266.

Music/Sun Valley
 Pianist **Larry Harshbarger**, 6-9 p.m. at Ram Restaurant at Sun Valley Inn. No cover. Restaurant reservations: 622-2800.

Musical/Nampa
Northwest Nazarene University's musical "Godspell," 7:30 p.m. at Swayne Auditorium, 700 Fern St. Based on the gospel of Matthew, the performance is an everyday life story of memorable characters growing up, learning from and teaching each other, and discovering true wisdom. Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$8 for seniors and students. 467-8790.

7 SATURDAY

Music/Twin Falls
Magic Valley Youth Orchestra's winter concert, 3 p.m. at College of Southern Idaho's Fine Arts Center auditorium, 315 Falls Ave. W. The orchestra, directed by Diane Davis, performs "Fanfare and Celebration" by Claude Smith, "American Rhapsody" by Grundman, Sousa's "Stars and Stripes Forever" and selections from the Broadway musical "Wicked." The orchestra's Chamber Ensemble, a select group of string players directed by Carson Wong, is joined by guitar soloist Gary Garafano. Suggested \$2 donation to the youth orchestra at the door.



Country/Jerome
Country Classics, 8 p.m. to midnight at Snake River Elks Lodge, 412 E. 200 S. Open to the public; \$5 per person or \$9 per couple. Dinner available 6-9 p.m.

Country/Declo
The Fugitives, 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at Shakers, 826 Idaho Highway 81. No cover.

Fundraiser/Burley
Bel Canto Choir Dinner Show, with music from the '50s, '60s, '70s and '80s, 6:30 p.m. at the King Fine Arts Center, 2100 Park Ave. Tickets are \$20 per person, at Burley High School, 878-6606; from Cindy Hansen, 677-8894; or from any Bel Canto member. Proceeds will go for the choir's trip to San Francisco for a competition.

Music/Burley
Kroakers DJ, 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Riverside, 197 W. U.S. Highway 30. \$2 cover.

Fundraiser/Twin Falls
Furr Ball, a benefit for People for Pets Magic Valley Humane Society, 7 p.m. to midnight at the Turf Club, 734 Falls Ave. Music by Split Second, dancing, appetizers and finger foods, no-host bar and a variety of raffle items. Tickets are \$20 per person, at People for Pets Magic Valley Humane Society, 420 Victory Ave., 736-2299.



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Faulkner Planetarium at College of Southern Idaho's Herrett Center for Arts and Science presents **"Planet Patrol: Solar System Stakeout"** at 2 p.m.; **"Journey to the Edge of Space and Time"** at 4 p.m.; **"Bad Astronomy: Myths and Misconceptions"** at 7 p.m.; and **"Pink Floyd: Dark Side of the Moon"** at 8:15 p.m. Education-show tickets are \$4.50 for adults, \$3.50 for seniors and \$2.50 for students. Tickets for the 8:15 p.m. entertainment show are \$4.50 for all ages.

Rock music/Twin Falls
 Twin Falls rock group **Amblett Died Trying** will perform at 7 p.m. at the Disabled American Veterans Hall. Guests include **The Meadows**, **RunEisaRun** and **Shark That Got Her**. Tickets are \$6 at the door. The DAV Hall is at 459 Shoup Ave.

Country, rock/Twin Falls
Copperhead, 8:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. at Montana Steakhouse, 1826 Canyon Crest Drive. No cover.

Light rock/Twin Falls
Heartnote, 8:30-10:30 p.m. at Canyon Crest Dining and Event Center, 330 Canyon Crest Drive. No cover.

Classic rock/Twin Falls
Roughdraft, 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at The Oasis, 1007 Blue Lakes Blvd. N. No cover.

Jazz/Twin Falls
Great Riff Jazz combo, 7-10 p.m. at Pandora's restaurant, 516 Hansen St. No cover.

Theater/Hailey
Company of Fools and Barksdale Theatre present the funny biographical play **"Souvenir: A Fantasia on the Life of Florence Foster Jenkins,"** 8 p.m. at Liberty Theatre, 110 N. Main St. Tickets are \$25 for adults, \$18 for senior citizens (62 and older) and \$15 for children (18 and younger). Tickets at Liberty Theatre (9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday), 578-9122 or at the box office one hour before the show.

Musical theater/Rupert
Minico High School Music Department presents the musical production **"Seven Brides For Seven Brothers"** at 1 and 7 p.m. at the Minico High School auditorium, 100 S. 292 W. Directed by Jeff Collier, choir instructor, with choreography by Kami Fisher. Includes a live pit orchestra, conducted by Julie Plocher. Tickets are \$5 for adults and \$3 for students from cast members or at the door.

Country/Sun Valley
Rob Quist and Great Northern, 2:30-5:30 p.m. at Warm Springs Lodge's Apres Ski. No cover.

Blues/Ketchum
The Valley Cats, a three-piece acoustic band, plays blues, R&B and soul, 6:30-9:30 p.m. at Papa Hemi's Hideaway, 310 S. Main St. No cover.

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ONGOING EXHIBITIONS



Adam, played by Oliver Evensen, explains the cure for lovesickness to his six brothers in Minico High School's production of 'Seven Brides for Seven Brothers.' He tells them: 'Just carry them off.' The show continues tonight and Saturday in Rupert.

COREEN HART/For the Times-News

EVENTS CALENDAR

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Courtesy photo

Children's festival/Hailey

Children's Arts Festival, hosted by the Wood River Arts Alliance, for kindergartners through fifth-graders, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Community Campus, 1050 Fox Acres Road. Highlights: Sun Valley Summer Symphony School of Music performs "Cinderella" at 9:30 a.m.; St. Thomas Playhouse presents Moses Goldberg's "Red Riding Hood and The Three Little Pigs" at 12:15 p.m.; Footlight Dance performs "Olympic Dances" at 3 p.m., followed by Ketchum World Beat Street Band with drumming. Activities: classes at 10 and 11 a.m., 1 and 2 p.m. (registration at 9 a.m.) with making spring baskets of clay; ceramic painting on tile; pop-up landscape books and bookmaking; Company of Fools with Stages of Wonder creative movement; Sun Valley Co. with comedy; Red Letter Co-Op with presentation of stories, fables and songs; Royal Larkspur Theatre Co. with puppet demonstrations; and Sun Valley Summer Symphony with a musical rendition of "Ferdinand the Bull." Lunch is available for purchase, or children may bring a brown-bag lunch. Free admission. Information: artsalliance.org.

Fundraiser/Burley

Bel Canto Choir Dinner Show, with music from the '50s, '60s, '70s and '80s, 6:30 p.m. at the King Fine Arts Center, 2100 Park Ave. Tickets are \$20 per person, at Burley High School, 878-6606; from Cindy Hansen, 677-8894; or from any Bel Canto member. Proceeds will go for the choir's trip to San Francisco for a competition.

Fiddling/Gooding

Fiddlers Inc. performs at 7 p.m. at The Walker Center auditorium, 605 11th Ave. E. Refreshments. Free admission; donations accepted.

Country/Declo

The Fugitives, 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at Shakers, 826 Idaho Highway 81. No cover.

Concert series/Ketchum

Webb Winter Concert Series, 3-7 p.m. at Irving's Red Hots Hill (corner of Fourth and Main streets). Concerts continue through March with a different musical act every Saturday. Food and beverages for sale from local restaurants. Free admission; open to all ages.

Comedy, music/Sun Valley

Sun Valley Resort Winter Comedy Series, featuring **Tig Notaro** and **Tony Castle**, 6:30 p.m. in the Boiler Room at Sun Valley Village. Doors open at 5:30 p.m.; \$10 cover (\$7 with a current Sun Valley Resort ski pass or lift ticket). Live music after the comedy series: **Lip Service**, doors open at 9 p.m.; \$10 cover (\$5 with Blaine County identification). 622-2148.

Theater/Sun Valley

Community School Players present William Shakespeare's "**Othello, the Moor of Venice**" at 2 and 7 p.m. at the Community School Theatre, 181 Dollar Road. Tickets are \$8 for adults and \$4 for students, at Chapter One in Ketchum or at the door. 622-3955, ext. 131.

Burley High School's Bel Canto choir will perform a dinner show tonight and Saturday on the King Fine Arts Center stage to raise money for travel to a San Francisco competition.

Music/Sun Valley

Accordianist **Tim Eriksen**, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Roundhouse restaurant at Sun Valley Resort, and during dinner hours at Trail Creek Cabin. No cover.

Jazz/Sun Valley

Paul Tillotson Trio, 4:30-8:30 p.m., and **Joe Fos Trio**, 9 p.m. to 1 a.m., at Duchin Lounge at Sun Valley Lodge. No cover. 622-2145.

Music/Sun Valley

Pianist **Larry Harshbarger**, 6-9 p.m. at Ram Restaurant at Sun Valley Inn. No cover. Restaurant reservations: 622-2800.

Opera/Boise

Opera Idaho performs Wolfgang Mozart's "**Così fan tutte**," 8 p.m. at Egyptian Theater, 516 S. Ninth St. A comical opera that follows fiancée swapping, which dates back to the 13th century. Tickets are \$10-\$80, at 345-3531 or operaidaho.org.

Musical/Nampa

Northwest Nazarene University's musical "Godspell", 7:30 p.m. at Swayne Auditorium, 700 Fern St. Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$8 for seniors and students. 467-8790.

Rock/Salt Lake City

Blue Oyster Cult and **April Wine**, 7 p.m. at SaltAir, 12408 W. Saltair Drive. Tickets are \$22 plus fees at smithstix.com.

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SUNDAY

Theater/Hailey

Company of Fools and **Barksdale Theatre** present the funny biographical play "**Souvenir: A Fantasia on the Life of Florence Foster Jenkins**," 3 p.m. at Liberty Theatre, 110 N. Main St. Tickets are \$25 for adults, \$18 for senior citizens (62 and older) and \$15 for children (18 and younger). Tickets at Liberty Theatre (9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday), 578-9122 or at the box office one hour before the show.

Fundraiser/Ketchum

Our Moveable Feast, a benefit for The Community Library, 5:30 p.m. at the library, 415 Spruce Ave. N. The feast is titled "The Joy of Cooking," with different rooms of the library decorated to evoke the images of several books dealing with food, and food will be served to match the theme. Decorated rooms based on books include: Isak Dinesen's "Babette's Feast," with a banquet of French nibbles; Chitra Divakaruni's "The Mistress of Spices," with Indian food; Jorge Amado's "Gabriella, Clove and Cinnamon," with Latin American foods; Fannie Flagg's "Fried Green Tomatoes at the Whistle Stop Cafe," with fried green tomatoes; Maurice Sendak's "In the Night Kitchen," with dessert; and Barbara Kingsolver's "Animal, Vegetable, Miracle," with a potluck of silent auction items. Tickets are \$100 per person (includes food, wine and non-alcoholic beverages), at www.thecommunitylibrary.org.

726-3493.

Theater/Sun Valley

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Music/Sun Valley

Forever Plaid, 7:30 p.m. in the Boiler Room at Sun Valley Village. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. Tickets are \$12, at 622-2135 or at the door.

Music/Sun Valley

Pianist and singer **Leana Leach**, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. during Sunday brunch in the Lodge Dining Room at Sun Valley Resort. No cover. 622-2800.

Music/Sun Valley

Lip Service, 2:30-5:30 p.m. at Warm Springs Lodge's Apres Ski. No cover.

Jazz/Sun Valley

Cheryl Morrell and **Alan Pennay**, 5-8:30 p.m., and **Leana Leach Trio**, 8:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. at Duchin Lounge at Sun Valley Lodge. No cover. 622-2145.

Music/Sun Valley

Accordianist **Tim Eriksen**, 11 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. at Roundhouse restaurant at Sun Valley Resort, and during dinner hours at Trail Creek Cabin. No cover.

Rock/Pocatello

Black Tide and **Escape The Fate**, 7 p.m. at The Icon, 1253 N. Main St. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. Tickets are \$15, at smithstix.com.

Opera/Boise

Opera Idaho performs Wolfgang Mozart's "**Così fan tutte**," 3 p.m. at Egyptian Theater, 516 S. Ninth St. Tickets are \$10-\$80, at 345-3531 or operaidaho.org.

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MONDAY

Arts class/Twin Falls

"Creative Arts" class for ages 12 to adult, 6:30-8 p.m. Mondays at Twin Falls Creative Arts Center, 249 Main Ave. W. Learn a variety of art media, including painting, drawing, sculpting and other creative arts. Beginners, intermediate and advanced students. \$45 per month. 737-9111.

Music/Twin Falls

Tennessee indie group **Backseat Goodbye** will perform at 7 p.m. at Blood Sweat & Shears. Guests include **Bradley Hathaway**, **Amblett Died Trying** and **Zombie at Heart**. Tickets are \$6 at the door. Blood Sweat & Shears is at 148 Main Ave. S.

Workshop/Twin Falls

Professional artist **Anne Drew Potter** presents a workshop, 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. in College of Southern Idaho's Art Complex



ceramics studio (with a break for lunch). For College of Southern Idaho art students and the public. Potter works at Archie Bray Foundation in Helena, Mont., and exhibits ceramic sculptures around the nation. Free admission.

Jazz/Sun Valley

Cheryl Morrell and **Alan Pennay**, 5-8:30 p.m., and **Bruce Innes**, 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at Duchin Lounge at Sun Valley Lodge. No cover. 622-2145.

Music/Sun Valley

Lip Service, 2:30-5:30 p.m. at Warm Springs Lodge's Apres Ski. No cover.

Music/Sun Valley

Live music, 5-8 p.m. in the Lobby Lounge at Sun Valley Inn. No cover. 622-2266.

Rock/Boise

Black Tide and **Escape The Fate**, 7 p.m. at the Knitting Factory, 416 S. Ninth St. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. Tickets are \$15, at ticketweb.com.

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TUESDAY

Performance/Twin Falls

headRush, featuring three Oakland, Calif., educators, Rosa Gonzalez, Simon Hanukai and Luis "Xago" Juarez, 6:30 p.m. at College of Southern Idaho's Fine Arts Theater, 315 Falls Ave. W. Inspires social action and critical dialogue through guerrilla-style performances and workshops. Combines Chicano/hip-hop/street theater, theater of the oppressed and spoken word poetry to create a unique rush of psycho-politico satire and popular education. Free admission.

Lecture/Twin Falls

Professional artist **Anne Drew Potter's presentation and lecture**, 9:30 a.m. in College of Southern Idaho's Shields Building, Room 115, for CSI art students and the public. Potter works at Archie Bray Foundation in Helena, Mont., and exhibits ceramic sculptures around the nation. Free admission.

Planetarium/Twin Falls

The **Faulkner Planetarium** at College of Southern Idaho's Herrett Center for Arts and Science presents "**Bad Astronomy: Myths and Misconceptions**" at 7 p.m.; \$4.50 for adults, \$3.50 for seniors and \$2.50 for students.

Jazz/Twin Falls

Jazz Jam, hosted by **Brent Jensen**, 6-8 p.m. at Pandora's restaurant, 516 Hansen St. Open to musicians of all ages and ability levels. No cover.

Auditions/Buhl

West End Theatre Co. and the **Buhl High School drama department** will hold auditions for the spring musical "**Kids Say the Dardest Things**," at 3:15 and 6 p.m. in the Buhl High auditorium. Auditions are open to community members and high school students. Directors seek actors to play 12 characters ranging from 4 to 12 years old, and two adult roles. Prepare a song and a monologue. Information: 490-1992.

Dance show/Rupert

Minico High School Spartan Dance Force's annual dance show at the high school auditorium, 100 S. 292 W. Doors open at 6 p.m. Tickets are \$4 in advance

from dance force members or \$5 at the door. 436-4721.

Comedy, music/Sun Valley

Comedian **Mike Murphy**, 6 p.m. (\$10 cover); and **DJ Locomotive**, 9 p.m. (\$4 cover) in the Boiler Room at Sun Valley Village. 622-2148.

Jazz/Sun Valley

Paul Tillotson Trio, 4:30-8:30 p.m., and **Joe Fos Trio**, 9 p.m. to 1 a.m., at Duchin Lounge at Sun Valley Lodge. No cover. 622-2145.

Music/Sun Valley

Pianist **Aaron Baker**, 5:30 p.m. to closing in the Lodge Dining Room at Sun Valley Resort. No cover. 622-2800.

Music/Sun Valley

Lip Service, 2:30-5:30 p.m. at Warm Springs Lodge's Apres Ski. No cover.

Music/Sun Valley

Pianist **Larry Harshbarger**, 6-9 p.m. at Ram Restaurant at Sun Valley Inn. No cover. 622-2800.

Music/Sun Valley

Live music, 5-8 p.m. in the Lobby Lounge at Sun Valley Inn. No cover. 622-2266.

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WEDNESDAY

Fiddling/Twin Falls

Idaho Old Time Fiddlers Association members' jammin' session, 6-8 p.m., followed by the monthly meeting, at Idaho Pizza Co., 1859 Kimberly Road. Open to the public and prospective members. 420-3345.

Performance/Twin Falls

College of Southern Idaho Diversity Council's second annual "Rhythm of Life" program, 7 p.m. at CSI's Fine Arts Theater. Features headliner Rudy Francisco, a slam poet from San Diego, and several area break dancers and vocalists. Free refreshments in the Fine Arts lobby. Admission is \$5 per person or free for CSI students with current identification. Information: Sherree Haggan at shehaggan0726@students.csi.

Comedy, music/Sun Valley

Comedian **Mike Murphy**, 6 p.m., in the Boiler Room at Sun Valley Resort. \$10 cover. 622-2148.

Jazz/Sun Valley

Paul Tillotson Trio, 4:30-8:30 p.m., and **Joe Fos Trio**, 9 p.m. to 1 a.m., at Duchin Lounge at Sun Valley Lodge. No cover. 622-2145.

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Music/Sun Valley

Live music, 5-8 p.m. in the Lobby Lounge at Sun Valley Inn. No cover. 622-2266.

Music/Sun Valley

Accordianist **Tim Eriksen**, 11 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. at Roundhouse restaurant at Sun Valley Resort, and during dinner hours at Trail Creek Cabin. No cover.

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THURSDAY

Theater/Twin Falls

Dilettante Group of the Magic Valley's musical "My Fair Lady", 7:30 p.m. at the College of Southern Idaho's Fine Arts Center auditorium, 315 Falls Ave. W. Based on George Bernard Shaw's "Pygmalion," with book and lyrics by Alan Jay Lerner and music by Frederick Loewe. Story is about Eliza Doolittle, a Cockney flower girl, who takes speech lessons from professor Henry Higgins so she can pass as a lady. Tickets are \$10, at Everybody's Business, from any cast member or at the door.

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JUSTIN JACKSON/Times-News

Chef Joe Szerwo prepares sample dishes at Rudy's — A Cook's Paradise during downtown Twin Falls' First Friday festivities on Jan. 2. Tonight, First Friday returns with live music, food tasting, arts exhibits and drink specials at various downtown businesses.



Monthly Karaoke CORNER

DAILY

Twin Falls
Karaoke, 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. Fridays and Saturdays and 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. Sundays through Thursdays, at Klover Klub Lounge, 402 Main Ave. N. No cover.

FRIDAYS

Burley
Karaoke, 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the 610 Club, 1054 Overland Ave. No cover.

Rupert
Kroakers Karaoke, 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at Melody Bar, 502 Sixth St. No cover.

SATURDAYS

Burley
Karaoke, 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the 610 Club, 1054 Overland Ave. No cover.

Declo
Miller Time Karaoke, 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at Big Kahuna, 9 E. Main St. No cover.

SATURDAYS (March 7 and 21)

Rupert
Kroakers Karaoke, 9 p.m. at the Blue Room, 613 Fremont Ave. No cover.

TUESDAYS

Burley
Kroakers Karaoke, 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at Cheers, 163 W. U.S. Highway 30. No cover.

WEDNESDAYS

Twin Falls
Kroakers Karaoke, 8:30 p.m. to 1 a.m. at Montana Steak House, 1826 Canyon Crest Drive. No cover.

Lone Wolf Entertainment, 8:30 p.m. to 1 a.m. at Pioneer Club, 1519 Kimberly Road. No cover.

Paul
Kroakers Karaoke, 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at Red's Bar, 6 E. Idaho St. No cover.

THURSDAYS

Twin Falls
Lone Wolf Entertainment, 8:30 p.m. to 1 a.m. at Pioneer Club, 1519 Kimberly Road. No cover.

Kroakers Karaoke, 8:30 p.m. to 1 a.m. at Montana Steak House, 1826 Canyon Crest Drive. No cover.

Rupert
Kroakers Karaoke, 9 p.m. at the Blue Room, 613 Fremont Ave. No cover.

Sun Valley
Karaoke, featuring M.C. Spice Train, at 9 p.m. at the Boiler Room at Sun Valley Resort. No cover.

Karaoke Corner, a roundup of regularly scheduled karaoke, is published on the first Friday of each month; one-time karaoke events are in the main events calendar. Send submissions to Ramona Jones at ramona@magicvalley.com.

EVENTS CALENDAR

Calendar continued from Entertainment 7

Information: Sandy Hacking, 734-5511, or Heidi Walton, 731-0242.

Book discussion/Burley

Book Club, 1:30 p.m. at Burley Public Library, 1300 Miller Ave. Discussion of the book "The Guernsey Literary and Potato Peel Pie Society" by Mary Ann Shaffer and Annie Barrows. Free admission. 878-7708.

Music/Sun Valley

The Fabulous Vuarnettes, 6 p.m. in the Boiler Room at Sun Valley Resort. \$15 cover (\$12 with Blaine County identification). 622-2148.

Jazz/Sun Valley

Paul Tillotson Trio, 4:30-8:30 p.m.,

and **Joe Fos Trio**, 9 p.m. to 1 a.m., at Duchin Lounge at Sun Valley Lodge. No cover. 622-2145.

Music/Sun Valley

Pianist **Larry Harshbarger**, 6-9 p.m. at Ram Restaurant at Sun Valley Inn. No cover. 622-2800.

Music/Sun Valley

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Music/Sun Valley

Lip Service, 2:30-5:30 p.m. at Warm Springs Lodge's Apres Ski. No cover.

Music/Sun Valley

Accordianist **Tim Eriksen**, 11 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. at Roundhouse restaurant

Calendar deadlines

Don't miss your chance to tell southern Idaho about your arts event. The deadline for entries for the Entertainment calendar is 5 p.m. the Friday prior to publication. Send submissions to Ramona Jones at ramona@magicvalley.com.

Music/Sun Valley

Live music, 5-8 p.m. in the Lobby Lounge at Sun Valley Inn. No cover. 622-2266.



JUSTIN JACKSON/Times-News

Preparing for Saturday's concert, Gretchen Manker plays the French horn during a Magic Valley Youth Orchestra rehearsal at the College of Southern Idaho on Feb. 28.

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Reporter Bradley Guire will be blogging live from the Twin Falls-Lewiston and Filer-Kimberly state basketball games.

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IDAHO HIGH SCHOOL BOYS BASKETBALL STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS: DAY 1

Tigers trump Mountain Home

Jerome makes it to 4A semis

By Bradley Guire
Times-News writer

BOISE — Kameron Pearce and Kevin Williams combined for 51 points Thursday as the Jerome boys basketball team defeated Mountain Home 64-42 in the opening round of the Class 4A state tournament at Borah High School in Boise. Mountain Home was able to

fight for the most part of three quarters, pulling within three points of Jerome late during the second quarter.

But the Tigers rebuilt a double-digit lead without the need of a large run, and Mountain Home collapsed during the final period with just one bucket.

"They hung around for a while, and we couldn't quite put them away," Williams said. "We didn't want to overlook them."

Pearce led with 28 points partially on the strength of five 3-point goals, while Williams

provided a 23-point, 16-rebound double-double. Eleven of his points came at the free-throw line.

Williams opened the game with a putback, then Pearce went on a 14-point scoring spree, which was the bulk of the Tigers' initial 16-point run. Mountain Home managed runs of less than 10 points, but the Tigers from Elmore County were never able to eclipse Jerome.

"Early, they ran a zone on us," Pearce said. "I moved

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Jerome junior Kameron Pearce goes over the Mountain Home defense during his team's 64-42 win in the Class 4A state quarterfinals Thursday at Borah High School in Boise.

STAN BREWSTER/For the Times-News

State results

CLASS 5A
Twin Falls 68, Eagle 58

CLASS 4A
Jerome 64, Mountain Home 42

CLASS 3A
Shelley 54, Kimberly 43
Priest River 50, Filer 49

CLASS 2A
Glenns Ferry 79,
Cole Valley Christian 58

CLASS 1A DIV. I
Hagerman 66, Wallace 45
Genesee 52, Castleford 38

CLASS 1A DIV. II
Richfield 53, Clark County 32
Garden Valley 55, Dietrich 50
Nezperce 64, Carey 44

Bruins advance to semis



STAN BREWSTER/For the Times-News

Twin Falls junior Jon Pulsifer slices through the Eagle defense during the Bruins' 68-58 win in the quarterfinals of the Class 5A state tournament at the Idaho Center in Nampa on Thursday.

Long-range attack vaults Twin Falls past Eagle

By Bradley Guire
Times-News writer

NAMPA — The Twin Falls boys basketball team opened the second half with a one-possession lead but tacked on five straight 3-point field goals to break away from Eagle during the third quarter.

The Bruins held onto the advantage to defeat the Mustangs 68-58 Thursday during the opening round of the Class 5A state tournament at the Idaho Center in Nampa.

"I was open, and coach told me to

shoot if I got open," said Bruin guard Jake Hanchey, who hit three from beyond the arc. "I don't think anyone expected that."

Hanchey got things going with back-to-back 3-pointers, Russell Crane put one up and then Hanchey got his third. Marcus Jardine fell in step for the Bruins' fifth.

"Everyone was feeling it," Jardine said. "Jake hit those huge shots, and the momentum shift hyped everybody up."

Although Eagle managed a few layups, Jon Pulsifer kept things going with a pair of layups and a 3-pointer of his own. Twin Falls was suddenly up 52-38 after the outburst.

Pulsifer recorded a 23-point, 13-rebound double-double, while Jardine poured in 15 with seven boards and Hanchey 10. Crane finished with nine. The Bruins shot better than 56 percent from the field and 60 percent from the free-throw stripe.

See **TWIN FALLS**, Sports 2

"Everyone was feeling it. Jake hit those huge shots, and the momentum shift hyped everybody up."

— Marcus Jardine, Twin Falls junior

Kimberly guard Lael Schoessler goes up against Shelley's McCade Bono (12) and Mason Higham during the Russets' 54-43 win over the Bulldogs in Class 3A state tournament play in Meridian on Thursday.



BRIAN LOSNESS/For the Times-News

Bulldogs upset by Shelley

By John Derr
Times-News writer

MERIDIAN — There will be no return trip to the championship game for Kimberly.

Close most of the game, things got away from the Bulldogs late as they fell to the Shelley Russets 54-43 in the first round of the Class 3A state boys basketball tournament Thursday evening at Meridian High School.

The Bulldogs shot pretty well from close range, but hit just 4 of 17 attempts from 3-point land.

"We have been shooting 40 to 50 percent from there and it

took us out of our rhythm a little bit," said Kimberly coach Marvin Mumm. "It was close for most of the game until right at the end. It wasn't what they did, it was what we didn't do."

For 15:59 of the first half Kimberly and Shelley battled, trading baskets and the lead more than a few times. AJ Schroeder, who finished with eight points, all in the first half, drained a couple from beyond the arc to pace the Bulldogs.

Right at the buzzer Tanner Higham, who tossed in a game-high 25 points, stepped behind the arc and drained one from NBA range at the buzzer, giving the Russets the halftime lead

and momentum. Higham and cousins Tommy and Mason Higham combined for 48 of Shelley's 54 points.

Shelley carried the momentum into the third, scoring the first seven points of the quarter and pushing the lead to double digits. At the same time the Bulldogs struggled to find the bucket. Only a Lael Schoessler, who finished with a team-high 11 points, putback added to the Kimberly tally in the first five minutes.

"Usually we get our outside shots from going inside out. We scored a couple times then

See **KIMBERLY**, Sports 2

Hagerman wallops Wallace, advances to semis

By Dustin Lapray
Times-News correspondent

CALDWELL — Hagerman methodically mixed its power inside game and smooth outside shooting in its 66-45 thumping of Wallace Thursday at Vallivue High in Caldwell.

Tanner Owen led the Pirates with 19 points, nine rebounds and two blocks. The 6-foot-6 senior center met no match against Wallace, especially in the first half, where he scored 14 points — most off offensive rebounds turned into putbacks in the paint.

"We try to get it inside as much as we can," Owen said. "If I'm not on or that doesn't happen, I've always got outside guys to pass to."

The big man worked the post with ease. When he left the game to rest, Hagerman lost its rebounding edge, but still kept the lead.

"We knew we had a height advantage," Hagerman head coach Kevin Cato said of Owen. "He's come a long way, not so much in his skills, but his aggressiveness. He attacks a lot harder this year."

Hagerman led 36-25 at the half thanks in large part to Owen's bruising post play and Jake Emerson's long-range shot. Emerson and Dylan Brooks combined to hit 7-of-12 3-point shots. Mathematically, the difference in this game was the 3-ball. The Pirates outscored the Miners 24-3 from long range. Wallace got trapped

See **HAGERMAN**, Sports 4

CSI HOOPS

Region 18 Championships

All times MST
Thursday, March 5
Women

Salt Lake CC 71, Eastern Utah 54

Men
Snow College vs. Eastern Utah, late

Friday, March 6
Women

Salt Lake CC vs. CSI, 1 p.m.
Snow College vs. North Idaho, 6:30 p.m.

Men
Salt Lake CC vs. CSI, 3 p.m.
Snow-E. Utah winner vs. North Idaho, 8:30 p.m.

Saturday, March 7
Women
Championship game, 6 p.m.

Men
Championship game, 8:30 p.m.

Allenby leads, Compton contending at Honda

PALM BEACH GARDENS, Fla. — Robert Allenby has contended at the Honda Classic each of the last two years, so it's no surprise for him to be atop the leaderboard at PGA National.

Erik Compton's day, however, was far from expected.

Allenby shot a 4-under 66 Thursday to take a one-shot lead after the opening round at PGA National, surviving a day when the wind blew flags straight and the only solace for players was receptive greens. He had a tap-in on the par-4 ninth — his final hole — to break away from what was an eight-way tie for the lead.

Allenby missed a 2½-footer on the previous hole, so he left nothing to chance on the last, hitting a 6-iron to 6 inches.

"I just sort of played within myself, took one or two clubs more when it was into the wind, tried not to force it and just tried to feel my way around the golf course," said Allenby, who lives just a couple miles from PGA National and finished tied for fourth and tied for fifth in the last two years there.

By the time darkness suspended play, six players — Charlie Wi, Jeff Overton, Angel Cabrera, Stewart Cink, Will Mackenzie and Sergio Garcia — all were one shot behind Allenby.

But the big story was Compton, the South Florida native who underwent heart-transplant surgery for the second time last year.

He made a triple-bogey on his second hole, which would have deflated some. Compton, however, said it was the kickstart he needed.

With his nearly 2-week-old newborn getting pushed along in a stroller, Compton birdied three straight holes after making the turn and got to 1 under when play was stopped in his second PGA Tour event since the lifesaving procedure.

Notes: Play was called at 6:30 p.m. with nine players still on the course. ... Former PGA champion Shaun Micheel, who has a therapeutic-use exemption through the 2010 season for transdermal testosterone gel — he was diagnosed with low testos-



Heath Slocum hits out of the sand trap onto the No. 8 green during the first round of the Honda Classic golf tournament in Palm Beach Gardens, Fla., Thursday.

AP photo

terone four years ago — shot even-par 70 in his first round of the year. He's coming off shoulder surgery. ... Replete with rain gear just in case, Woody Austin took two swings to free his ball from the waterside muck at the par-3 17th. No reprise of the 2007 "Aquaman" scene at the Presidents Cup when he fell into the water, though: Austin stayed dry and saved double bogey.

CREAMER SHARES LEAD AT HSBC WOMEN'S CHAMPIONS

SINGAPORE — American Paula Creamer overcame an illness to shoot a 5-under 67 Thursday for a share of the lead after the first round

of the \$2 million HSBC Women's Champions.

Creamer, who finished third last week at the Honda LPGA Thailand after losing the final-round lead, battled through a likely bout of food poisoning to join compatriot Jane Park and Brazil's Angela Park atop the leaderboard at the Tanah Merah Country Club course.

"For some reason I putt better when I'm sick," Creamer said. "At the beginning, I was very sick, very nauseous. It must have been something I ate."

Play was delayed for 52 minutes in the afternoon because of lightning. Japan's Ai Miyazato and South

Korea's Seon Hwa Lee finished the round one shot back of the leaders at 4-under 68.

World No. 1 Lorena Ochoa of Mexico, the defending champion, tied four other players with a 69.

"Anytime you start under par, it's always good," Ochoa said. "I think I need to be a little more aggressive."

Second-ranked Yani Tseng of Taiwan and world No. 4 Suzann Pettersen of Norway each shot an even-par 72.

Fifteen-year-old Singapore native Joey Poh, the only amateur in the field, had a 6-over 78.

— The Associated Press

Search for NFL players called 'subdued'

MADIERA BEACH, Fla. — The search for two NFL players and a third man missing in the Gulf of Mexico was scaled back Thursday, but charter boat operators said they still hoped to recover their remains.

Charter captains planned to keep an eye out when they take customers out to fish, but there wasn't the dedicated effort of Wednesday, when around a dozen boats combed the Gulf off Florida for signs of the missing men.

"At this point it appears to be a recovery effort, and where that would be, is pretty much a needle in a haystack," said Marti Heath, a charter captain who operates out of John's Pass near St. Petersburg. "So what we're trying to do is have the people out there so at least there can be some closure" for the families.

The Coast Guard called off its search Tuesday for Oakland Raiders linebacker Marquis Cooper, free-agent NFL defensive lineman Corey Smith, who played for the Detroit Lions last season, and former South Florida player William Bleakley.

The friends have been missing since their boat overturned while they were on a fishing trip Saturday in rough seas. A fourth man, Nick Schuyler, was rescued by the Coast Guard Monday.

COWBOYS RELEASE STARS OWENS, WILLIAMS

IRVING, Texas — Jerry Jones made it clear, both in action and words: Getting rid of Terrell Owens means a fresh start for the Dallas Cowboys.

T.O. was released Thursday, ending a three-year run that produced as many big headlines as big plays. Many of those headlines were about ego and attitude, and Jones has decided enough is enough. He wants the focus on winning, something the Cowboys haven't done in the playoffs since 1996.

"In the aftermath of the season, we talked about change," Jones said in a statement. "Some of what is changing involves the process and some of it involves people. This is a decision that was made based upon consideration for an entire team."

"We will move on now with a new team — a new attitude — and into a new stadium. The evaluation process and the prospect for change will continue at every level of the organization."

Owens released a statement on his Web site thanking Jones, coach Wade Phillips and the organization "for the opportunity to be a member of the team for the past three years."

Dallas also released safety Roy Williams on Thursday. Despite his reputation as a hard-hitter, teams never hesitated throwing his way in recent years because he struggled in coverage. After Owens, Williams likely was the second divisive figure among Cowboys fans — especially after Dallas already got rid of Adam "Pacman" Jones and Tank Johnson.

LYNCH PLEADS GUILTY TO GUN CHARGE

LOS ANGELES — Buffalo Bills running back Marshawn Lynch pleaded guilty to a misdemeanor gun charge Thursday and was sentenced to community service and probation.

Defense attorney M. Gerald Schwartzbach entered the plea for the 22-year-old Lynch, who was not present.

"I am embarrassed by my recent arrest and conviction. I deeply regret that I placed myself in this situation," Lynch said in a statement issued later. "I have made mistakes in the past. Although I have learned many lessons over recent years, I obviously had not learned enough."

The Buffalo Bills said the NFL would review the matter under its personal conduct policy.

— The Associated Press

With T.O. gone, oxygen level in clubhouse climbs

Forgive Terrell Owens for thinking that raising a ruckus in Dallas was the point.

Both he and Cowboys owner Jerry Jones both knew what they were getting when they tied the contractual knot three years ago. A mirror would have confirmed that. And only one could afford to cause more trouble than he's worth.

The only surprising thing about Jones breaking his self-imposed gag order on all T.O.-related matters to announce Owens' release is that it came so soon after they renewed their vows with a four-year, \$34 million extension last summer.

Jones may be unsentimental. But as someone who made his fortune as an oil wildcatter, gambling is still second nature. Even so, taking on talented

headaches such as Owens, considering the franchise hasn't won a postseason game in 13 years, increasingly looks like a bad bet. So when you hear the Cowboys boss talking about taking the team in a "new direction," he's talking about risk management. Apparently, the football people he ignored all these years, finally convinced Jones that fielding a winning team might be an even better way to push product,



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not to mention much easier on his checkbook and everybody else's nerves.

Jones hated closing down the local chapter of "Boys Town" in Dallas, and not just because bringing in T.O. — whose only crime is selfishness — as well as Adam "Pacman" Jones and Tank Johnson, was his idea.

But Jones is on the hook for close to \$800 million of the \$1.1 billion sunk into the stadium the Cowboys are bringing online next season, so apparently he's willing to give winning a try.

Letting Owens go now is a smart move, addition by subtraction. The Cowboys will miss his production, no doubt, but since T.O. has blown up the locker room of every other NFL team he played for, the collateral damage he'll cause somewhere else is a plus. Besides, the NFC East rivals the Cowboys worry about most already have had the pleasure of his company (Philadelphia), or gone on the record and said no thanks for the opportunity

(New York Giants and Washington).

Those who think otherwise and point to Randy Moss' resurgence with New England miss two important points. T.O. is five years older than Moss; and there are only so many teams in the league with coaches powerful enough to lay down the law and a host of veterans just itching to back him up.

Tennessee gets mentioned as a possibility, perhaps even Indianapolis in the wake of Marvin Harrison's departure, and there's always Oakland. All are in the AFC, and none will cause Jones to lose any sleep.

A few weeks ago, Jones was asked whether he was worried about his team's chemistry. "Not at all," he said. "Not at all."

"And if y'all knew more about some of the things that you write about," he couldn't resist lecturing reporters a moment later, "you wouldn't be as concerned."

Apparently Jones was the one who needed a refresher course. His football people only had to remind him there are minimum oxygen requirements for every clubhouse, and T.O. was consuming much more than his share. With him gone, quarterback Tony

Romo not only will breathe better; he and the rest of the offense, as well as coordinator Jason Garrett and head coach Wade Phillips, will conserve plenty of energy by not having to look over their shoulders as much.

Besides, Jones himself took out an insurance policy on T.O. earlier this season by bringing receiver Roy Williams to Dallas from Detroit. He also happens to have three very good running backs — Marion Barber and second-year backups Felix Jones and Tashard Choice — to lessen the number of times Romo will be tempted to try something stupid.

Anybody who doesn't think Romo was trying to throw something in Owens' direction from the second he picked up a tube of toothpaste in the morning should remember what happened in a loss to the Washington Redskins game earlier this season.

Romo did that 18 times and even handed the ball off to Owens twice. That's more than a third of the 58 offensive plays the Cowboys ran.

Owens caught seven balls, but by midweek, was trying to hand the rest back to Romo like so many hot potatoes. "Put on the screen all 18 passes that were

thrown my way," T.O. said, "and you make the assessment of all those passes."

Jones will be doing just that, assuming he can take a break from counting his money.

With Owens gone, Romo's name just moved onto the top line of every cost-benefit analysis. Signing veteran Jon Kitna as a backup would have looked like a smart move for most any team. Bringing him to the Cowboys, Jones also sent a message.

Based on early returns, this "new direction" is already paying dividends. In addition to releasing Owens, the Cowboys also announced they were parting with moody safety Roy Williams, who like Owens, caused problems in the locker room, but helped sell a lot of jerseys.

It's surely coincidental the two were famously linked in 2005, when Williams' horse-collar tackle of Owens sidelined the then-Eagles receiver for several weeks and set up his near-miraculous return in time for the Super Bowl.

Either way, it's not a bad start when you can shed two headaches at once.

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Hagerman

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double-teaming Owen in the post, and left shooters open on the arc.

"It's a lot easier, any shooter knows, to catch and score from the inside out," Emerson said.

Brooks hit his three 3-pointers on consecutive possessions to begin the third quarter, which Hagerman dominated 19-5 to put the game out of reach.

"It makes coaching easier when guys come out and hit shots like that," Cato said. "It allowed us to focus on defense."

Morgan Knight, the

Pirates' 6-3 senior guard, filled up the box score (7 points, 6 rebounds, 3 assists, 2 blocks and 4 steals). He also helped hold Wallace senior Jared Bilaski, who had a 27-point average coming into the tournament, to just 10 points. Nick Arthun had 13 for the Miners.

"I know (Knight) didn't score a lot, but that was one of the best defensive games I've ever seen anyone play for me," Cato said. "Everything was through Bilaski and Arthun. We knew we had to shut those guys down. We had to hope the rest of their team couldn't beat us."

The rest of the team didn't. None of the other Miners finished with more than five points.

Senior guard Jake Lagle injured his ankle in the second quarter and didn't return. Cato said he'd be a game-time decision for tonight's 6:15 p.m., semifinal against Prairie.

GENESEE 52, CASTLEFORD 38

It looked for a moment like Cinderella might spring the upset, but the second quarter sent Castleford crashing back to earth.

Beau Dahmen scored 20 and pulled down 12

rebounds as top-ranked and unbeaten Genesee went on a 13-0 first-half run to take control of the game, cruising to a 52-38 win to advance to the Class 1A Division I semifinals.

Castleford (12-13) was led by nine points from Oscar Vargas.

The Wolves led 9-4 in the early going and seemed to have Genesee reeling, but the Bulldogs righted the ship and went to work on the telling run.

Castleford will play Wilder in an elimination game at 3 p.m., today.

Hagerman 66, Wallace 45

Hagerman 17 19 19 11 - 66
Wallace 11 14 5 15 - 45
HAGERMAN (66)
Dylan Brooks 11, Morgan Knight 7, Jake Lagle 5, Zac Reid 2, Jake Emerson 15, Thomas Owsley 2, Josh Douville 2, Logan Daily 3, Tanner Owen 19. Totals 24 10-21 66.

WALLACE (45)
Jared Bilaski 10, Nick Arthun 13, Dyan Hill 2, Clancy Drews 5, Adam Dechand 2, Anthony Legard 2, Cody Cline 4, Nyler Vester 5, Zach St. Clair 2. Totals 15 14-24 45.

3-point goals: Hagerman 8 (Emerson 4, Brooks 3, Lagle); Wallace 1 (Drews). Total fouls: Hagerman 19, Wallace 18. Fouled out: none. Technical fouls: none.

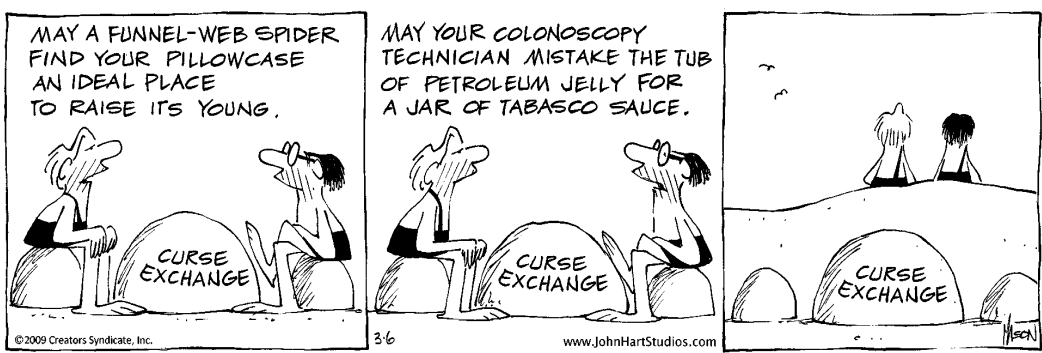
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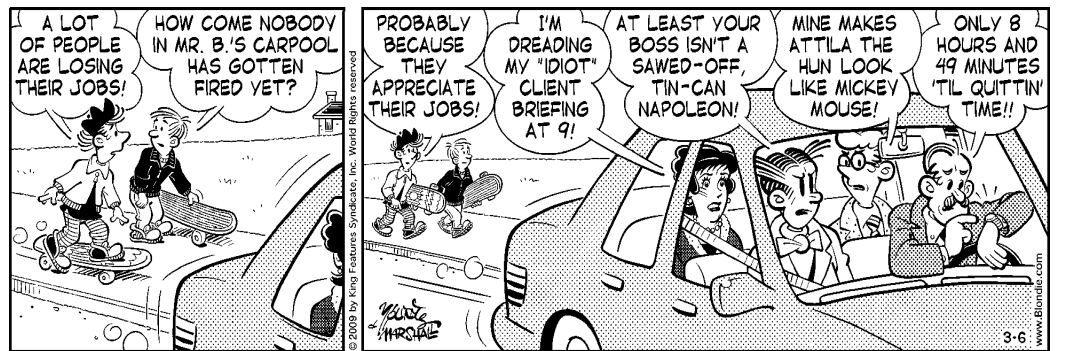
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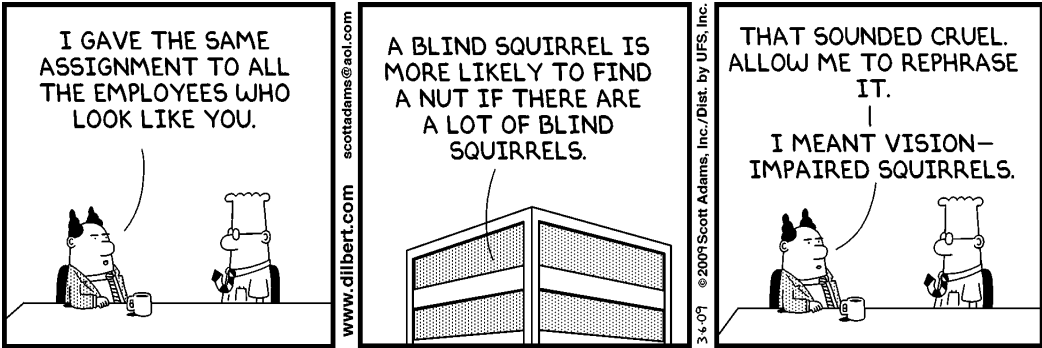
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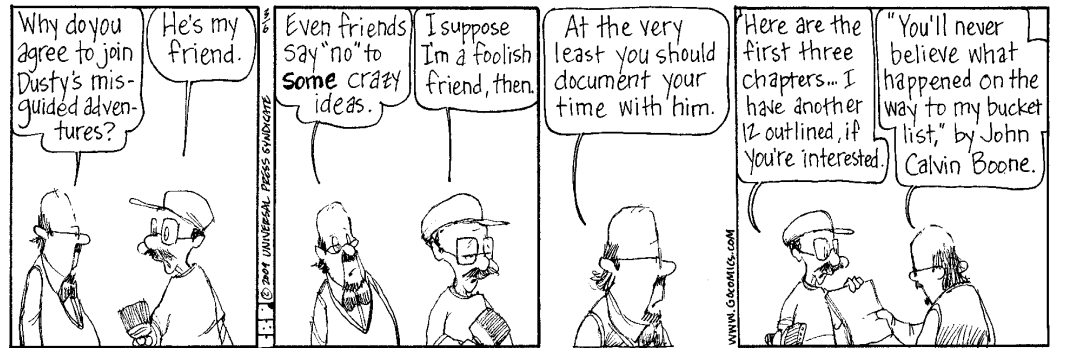
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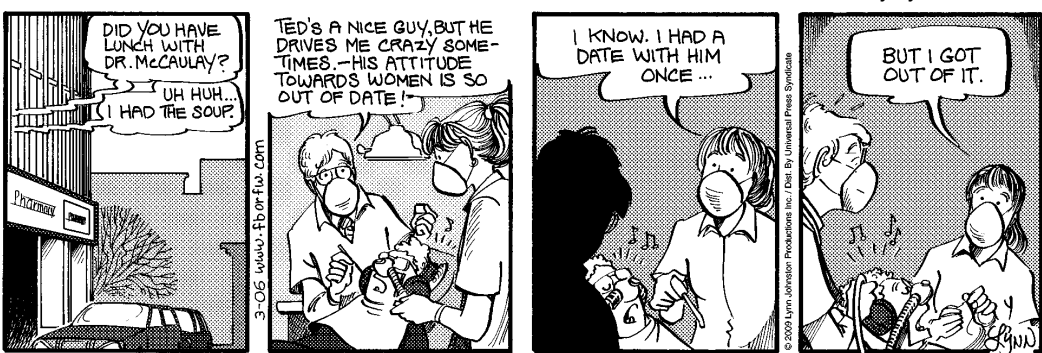
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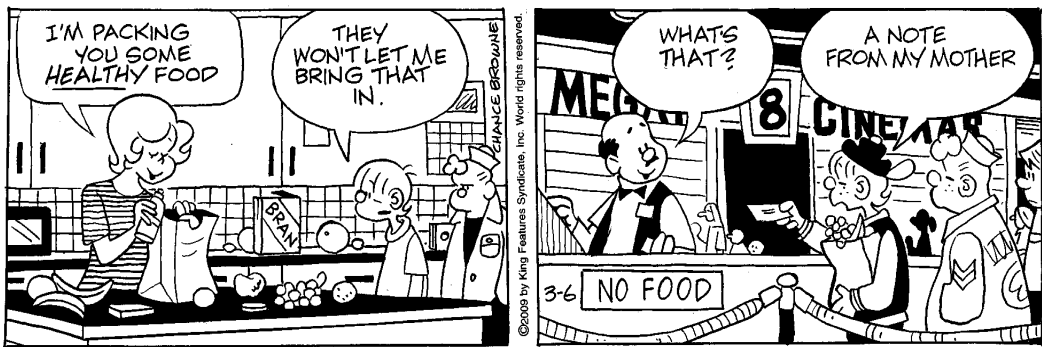
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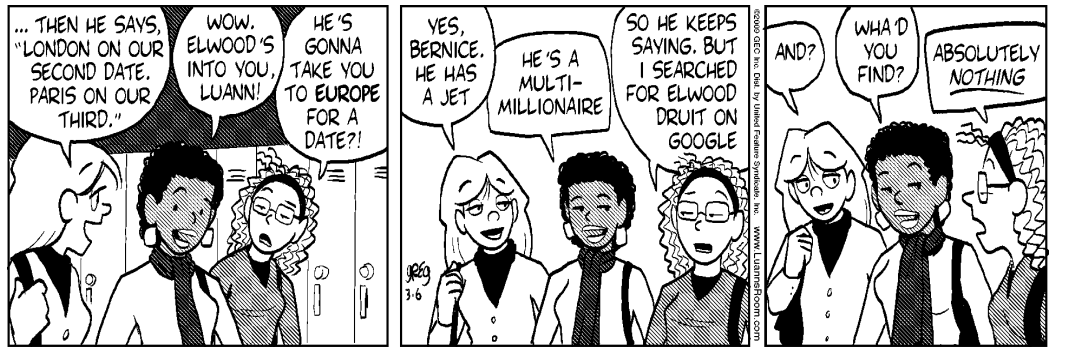
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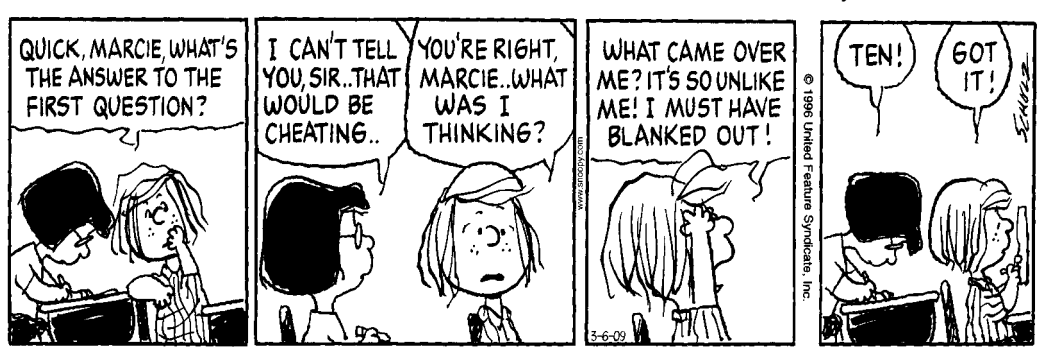
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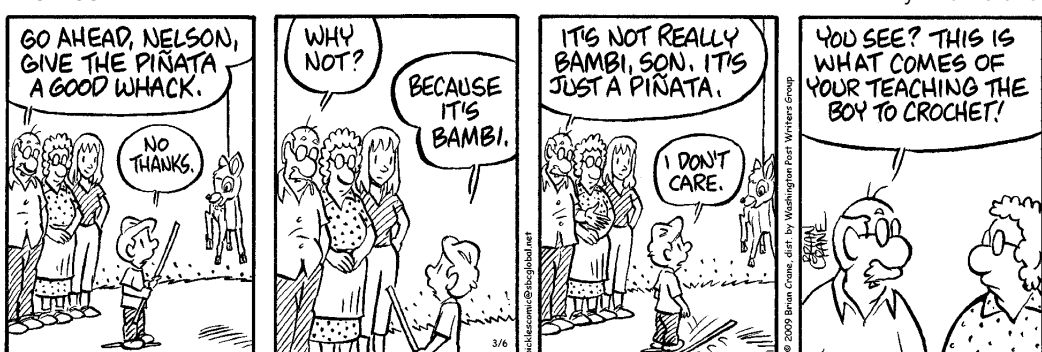
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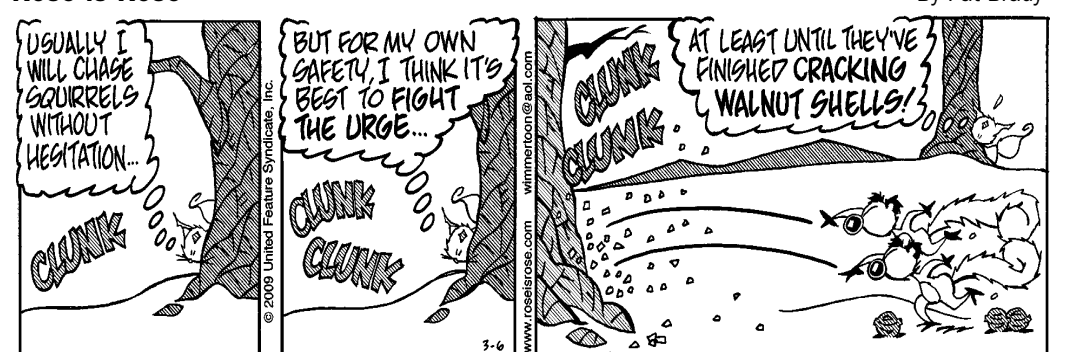
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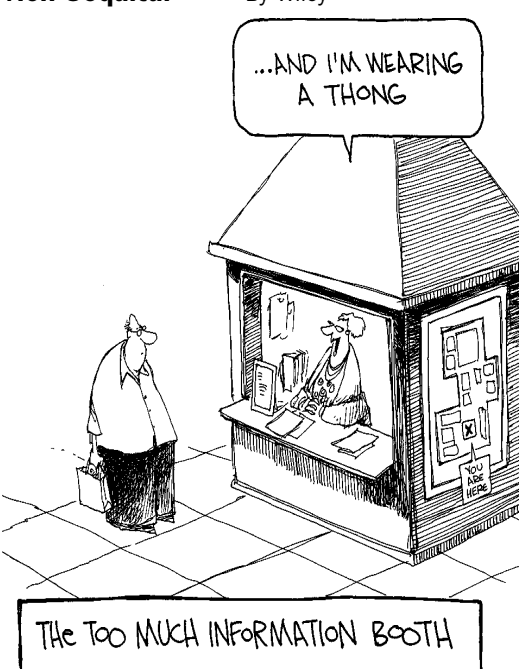
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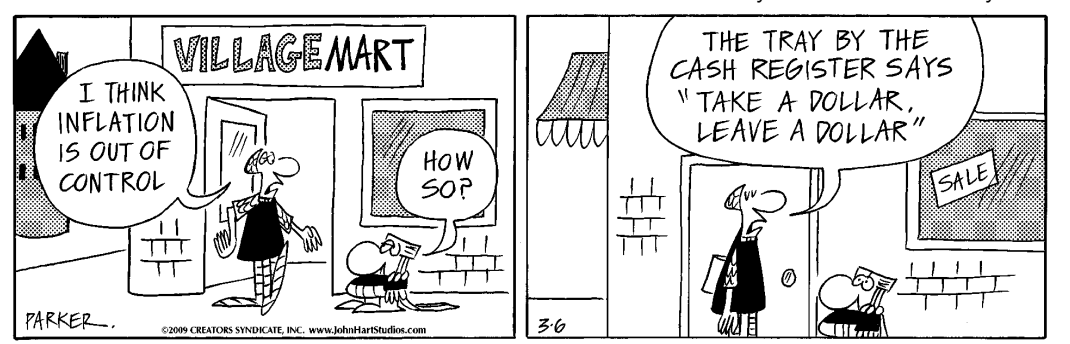
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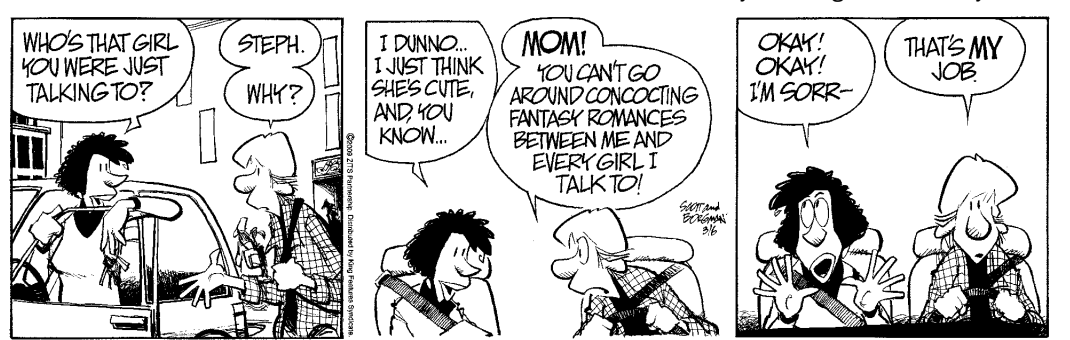
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WASHINGTON

Gupta withdraws from
surgeon general search

CNN medical correspondent Dr. Sanjay Gupta won't be the next surgeon general, the Obama administration confirmed Thursday.

Gupta, 39, a neurosurgeon with star appeal, was seen as President Barack Obama's first pick for the job. He would have brought instant recognition to the office of surgeon general, a post that has lacked visibility since the days of C. Everett Koop during Ronald Reagan's presidency.

An administration said that Gupta had been under "serious consideration" but took himself out of the running because he wants to focus on his medical career and spend more time with his family.

Senate puts off vote on
omnibus spending bill

The Senate has put off until next week a final vote on a \$410 billion catchall spending bill.

Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid says he is one vote short of the 60 votes needed to advance the measure. The Nevada Democrat has now decided to allow Republicans more opportunities to change it next Monday.

Reid said Thursday night that both the House and the Senate will now have to pass a stopgap spending bill by Friday night. That's when funds already approved for the government run out.

Republicans say the sprawling bill is too costly and loaded down with thousands of pet projects.

Treasury chief's choice
for deputy withdraws

The person Treasury Secretary Timothy Geithner wanted as his chief deputy withdrew from consideration Thursday, dealing a setback to the understaffed agency as it struggles to address the worst financial crisis in decades.

Annette Nazareth, a former senior staffer and commissioner with the Securities and Exchange Commission, made "a personal decision" to withdraw from the process, according to a person familiar with her decision.

The decision followed more than a month of intense scrutiny of her taxes and multiple interviews. No tax problems or other issues arose during Nazareth's vetting, said the person, who requested anonymity because Geithner's choice of Nazareth was never announced officially.

CALIFORNIA
Chris Brown appears in
court on felony charges

LOS ANGELES — Chris Brown briefly appeared in court Thursday, hours after he was charged with two felonies stemming from what a police detective describes as a brutal argument between the singer and his girlfriend, Rihanna.

Brown's arraignment was postponed until April 6 on charges of assault likely



Brown

to cause great bodily injury and making criminal threats. The 19-year-old R&B singer remains free on \$50,000 bail.

A court commissioner ordered him not to harass, threaten or harm anyone. At the request of Donald Etra, an attorney representing Rihanna, the commissioner did not order Brown to stay away from her.

Brown, wearing a three-piece gray pinstripe suit with gray tie and cream shirt, clasped his hands behind his back as he walked into the courtroom. He answered a few questions from the commissioner as his mother watched from the front row along with a group of family members.

— The Associated Press

Disparate groups see need for health care overhaul

By Ceci Connolly
The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — Surrounded by men and women who made their careers killing health care reform in the past, President Obama Thursday reiterated his pledge to enact comprehensive legislation this year, an ambitious undertaking many say is further complicated by the nation's dismal economic condition.

"When times were good, we didn't get it done. When we had mild recessions, we didn't get it done," Obama said at a White House summit launching his effort to treat the

nation's ailing health system. "There's always a reason not to do it. Now is exactly the time for us to deal with this problem."

In the room was Rep. Joseph Barton, R-Texas, who proudly reminded the crowd of 150 that he was instrumental in killing "Hillarycare" in 1993. Thursday, he announced he supported the eight principles outlined by Obama.

"We're going to get some kind of an agreement here ... If you don't get in this game, then ... you're on the menu."

— Thomas Donahue, president of the U.S. Chamber of Commerce

Also at the summit was Chip Kahn, who 15 years ago helped mastermind the iconic "Harry and Louise" ads attacking the overhaul proposed by Bill and Hillary Clinton.

Kahn, who now represents hospitals, said Obama had "successfully launched the process we need to achieve health reform, which we all want, and brought together congressional Democrats and

Republicans with stakeholders to begin to forge a consensus."

Karen Ignagni, who continues to run the leading insurance association today, told Obama: "You have our commitment to play, to contribute and to help pass health care reform this year."

"That's good news," Obama said, sounding a bit surprised himself. "That's America's Health Insurance Plans," he

said referring to Ignagni's group.

Similar words of support came from lobbyists for physician, drug makers and the corporate sector.

"We know where everyone stood. But they don't stand there anymore," said Thomas Donahue, president of the U.S. Chamber of Commerce. "We're going to play in this deal. We're going to get some kind of an agreement here, whether it's two-thirds of what everybody wants or three-quarters of what everybody wants or who knows. If you don't get in this game, then ... you're on the menu."



Pork for pigs?

A hog is shown in a pen at a hog lot near Panora, Iowa, in April 2002. In Iowa, where the 20 million hogs easily outnumber the 3 million people, the rotten-egg-and-ammonia smell of hog waste that often wafts into homes is no laughing matter.

AP file photo

Funding for pig-odor study in Congress
spending bill passes smell test in Iowa

By Michael J. Crumb
Associated Press writer

DES MOINES, Iowa — On Capitol Hill, a \$1.7 million earmark for pig odor research in Iowa has become a big, fat joke among Republicans, a Grade A example of pork. But the people who live cheek by jowl with hog farms in the No. 1 pig-producing state aren't laughing.

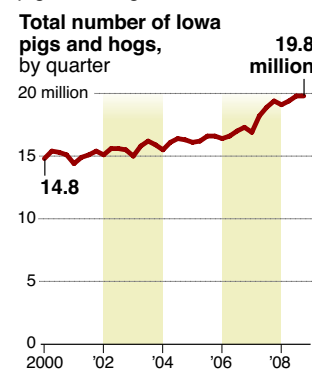
"You hold your breath and when it's really bad you get the taste in your mouth," said Carroll Harless, a 70-year-old retired corn-and-soybean farmer from Iowa Falls.

In Iowa, where the 20 million hogs easily outnumber the 3 million people, the rotten-egg-and-ammonia smell of hog waste often wafts into homes, landing like a punch to the chest.

"Once, we couldn't go outside for a week," said Karen Forbes, who lives near a hog

Inventory rises

Between 2000 and 2008, there was a 34 percent increase of pigs and hogs in Iowa.



SOURCE: National Agriculture Statistics Service AP

feedlot outside Lorimor. "It burned your eyes. You couldn't breathe. You had to take a deep breath and run for your garage. It was horrid."

She recalls a citywide garage sale held in the town of 420 a couple of years ago that no one attended because of the stink that day.

"While we will likely hear about it on Jay Leno or the Letterman show, where they will be yukking it up, it's a profoundly serious challenge."

— Sen. Tom Harkin, D-Iowa, on the hog lot odor problem in his state

Gandhi items sell for \$1.8M; owner has cold feet

By Richard Pyle
Associated Press writer

NEW YORK — Mohandas Gandhi's eyeglasses and other items sold for \$1.8 million Thursday at an auction that drew outrage from the Indian government, a last-minute reversal from the seller and a frenzy of bidding won by an Indian conglomerate that said the pacifist leader's possessions will be coming home.

The lot included Gandhi's wire-rim eyeglasses, worn leather sandals, a pocket watch, a plate and the brass bowl from which he ate his final meal.

The Indian government had protested the sale, saying the items should be returned to the nation and not sold to the highest bidder. The seller and the

government could not work out a deal, and the auction went forward as planned.

But the self-identified owner, California art collector James Otis, told reporters outside the Antiquorum Auctioneers that he no longer wanted to sell the items. Meanwhile, U.S. Justice Department officials served an Indian court injunction on the auction house, blocking it from releasing the items.

Auctioneer Julien Schaerer announced as the sale began that the Gandhi items would be held for two weeks "pending resolution of third party claims."



Gandhi

Toni Bedi, an executive of the Indian company UB Group, had the winning bid after a furious four minutes in which the offers raced from \$10,000 to \$1.8 million. Bids came from the floor and by phone and Internet from overseas; none of the other bidders were identified.

Bedi said he was acting on instructions of Dr. Vijay Mallya, CEO of UB Group, whose firms in India include breweries, airlines, chemical, pharmaceutical and fertilizer firms and information and technology companies. He said that the company wants to donate the items to the Indian government, and plans to return them for public display in New Delhi.

The auctioneer's premium on the sale would boost the total price to about \$2 million.

"There are restrictions at the moment pending a court resolution that (the) auction was legal," Bedi said, referring to the injunction served on the auction house.

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California
high court
weighs ban
on same-sex
marriage

By Maura Dolan
Los Angeles Times

SAN FRANCISCO — As dueling demonstrators chanted and carried banners outside, the California Supreme Court strongly indicated Thursday it would rule that Proposition 8 validly abolished the right for gays to marry but allow same-sex couples who wed before the November election to remain legally married.

The long-awaited hearing was a disappointment for gay rights lawyers, who had hoped the same court majority that overturned the state's previous marriage ban would conclude that Prop. 8 was an impermissible constitutional revision.

Two members of that majority — Chief Justice Ronald M. George and Justice Joyce L. Kennard — expressed deep skepticism of the gay rights lawyers' arguments. Without their votes, Prop. 8 appeared almost certain to survive.

The other two justices who ruled in favor of marriage rights last year — Justice Carlos R. Moreno and Kathryn Mickle Werdegar — seemed more open to the revision challenge. Moreno even helped gay rights lawyers with their arguments. But the court revealed no division on whether to uphold the marriages of an estimated 18,000 same-sex couples who wed before November.

Even Justice Marvin Baxter, the court's most conservative member, observed that the couples married after receiving the right by "the highest court of the state. How can we deny the validity of those marriages?"

The court's ruling is due within 90 days.

Gay marriage advocates all but conceded defeat.

Kate Kendell, executive director of the National Center for Lesbian Rights, which represented some of the plaintiffs, acknowledged that the court had appeared skeptical of their arguments.

"I think conversations about going back to the ballot need to happen vigorously and strategically," Kendell said. "2010 would be the next statewide ballot, and in campaign terms, that is just around the corner. I just don't know whether we have the groundwork in place to mount such an effort."

2009 TOYOTA COROLLA MATRIX CROSSOVER

AGGRESSIVELY PRACTICAL!

RoadWorthy!
By Ken Chester, Jr.
Motor News Media Corporation

The Toyota Corolla Matrix, the sporty five-door vehicle that helped redefine the concept of a crossover vehicle, was redesigned for the 2009 model year to offer better performance while maintaining fuel economy with a wider choice of functional options. Designers created a more coupe-inspired exterior while providing enhanced interior utility and improved dynamic performance. The result is a package that has a wider, lower stance than the previous model, but maintains driver roominess and creates a more engaging to drive.

Available in Standard, S and XRS trim levels, power for the Toyota crossover is generated by a choice of two different four-cylinder engines, 1.8L - or 2.4L, with torque communicated to the street via a five-speed manual gearbox. A four or five speed automatic transmission is an available option.

All-wheel drive (AWD) returns to the Matrix in the S grade, teamed to the 2.4L engine. The five-speed automatic can be manually shifted by moving the shift lever to the left from its IDI position into the ISI position, then pushing forward for upshifts and back for downshifts. An indicator inside the combination gauge shows the gear selected.

The available AWD system is front-wheel-drive-based and distributes torque to the rear wheels through an electromagnetic coupler when needed. This active torque control system detects available traction based on signals sent from the anti-lock brake system (ABS) sensors on each wheel to the ECU.

On the road, the Matrix is nimble and responsive in a unique package



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that is unmistakable in traffic. Like that of the Corolla, the 2009 Matrix chassis begins with a very stiff, rigid body structure that relies on high tensile-strength steels, gussets and cross members for its strength, rigidity and light weight. Front suspension is operated by a compact, rigid L-arm-type MacPherson strut with a stabilizer bar.

In the 1.8-liter Matrix models, a torsion beam rear suspension with a coil-over-shock arrangement allows efficient packaging along with excellent handling and ride comfort. The 2.4-liter models get a

fully independent double wishbone rear suspension system with coil-over shocks.

The Matrix interior is designed for form, fun and functionality. Base equipment on the Standard Matrix includes 205/55 R16 tires with full wheel covers; power color-keyed outside rearview mirrors; tilt and telescopic steering wheel; daytime running lights; heavy duty rear window defogger; intermittent windshield wipers; 12-volt power outlet; four cup holders; front center console box; and an engine immobilizer.

The S grade adds standard power door locks and windows with one-touch down driver-side; 115-volt power outlet; cruise control; intermittent rear window wiper; fold-flat front passenger seat; remote keyless entry; AM/FM/CD with MP3 capability and six speakers; front and rear underbody spoilers; and fog lamps.

To the S grade feature list, the XRS grade adds standard 18-inch alloy wheels with 215/45 R18 tires, a front sport strut tower brace, VSC with TRAC and off switch, and a three-spoke leather-trimmed steering

wheel with audio steering wheel controls and rear spoiler deck.

Several different audio systems are available in the 2009 Matrix. The Standard Matrix comes equipped with an AM/FM/CD four-speaker system. Also available are an AM/FM/six-disc CD six-speaker system; an AM/FM/six-disc CD JBL Premium Sound system with XM/E satellite, Bluetooth and nine speakers in seven locations; and an AM/FM/CD with six-speaker system with DVD navigation with XM NavTraffic capability.

2009 Toyota Corolla Matrix Crossover By The Numbers

PRICING
The base Manufacturer's Suggested Retail Price (MSRP) for the 2009 Toyota Corolla Matrix starts from \$16,290 for the Standard/five-speed manual up to \$21,950 for the XRS/five-speed automatic. Destination charges add \$720.

DIMENSIONS & SPECIFICATIONS
Standard Wheelbase: 102.4; overall length: 171.9; width: 69.5; height: 61.0.
S/XRS Wheelbase: 102.4; overall length: 173.0; width: 69.5; height: 61.0. (61.4 XRS)
AWD Wheelbase: 102.4; overall length: 171.9; width: 69.5; height: 61.4.

Engine: 1.8L four-cylinder 132 hp at 6,000 rpm and 128 lb-ft of torque at 4,400 rpm; 2.4L four-cylinder 158 hp at 6,000 rpm and 162 lb-ft of torque at 4,000 rpm.

Transmission: five-speed manual, four-speed automatic, five-speed automatic.

EPA fuel economy: 1.8L four-cylinder - 26 city/32 hwy (manual), 25 city/31 hwy (automatic); 2.4L four-cylinder 21 city/28 hwy (manual), 21 city/29 hwy (automatic), 20 city/26 hwy (AWD).

Cargo capacity: 61.5 cubic feet. Towing capacity: 1,500 lbs.

SAFETY FEATURES
Dual front airbags, front seat-mounted side-impact airbags, side-curtain airbags, four-wheel disc brakes with anti-lock, brake assist, electronic brake force distribution, daytime running lights, direct tire pressure monitoring system, engine immobilizer and side-impact door beams. S adds shift-activated power door locks and remote keyless entry. XRS adds vehicle stability control and traction control.

Optional safety features include a touch screen DVD navigation system.

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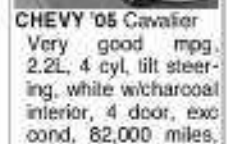
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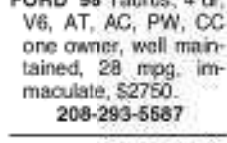
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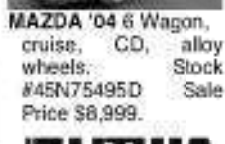
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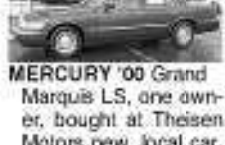
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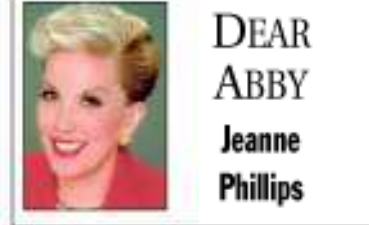
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Man's false online profile is about to rear its ugly head



DEAR ABBY Jeanne Phillips

DEAR ABBY: I am part of a group of people who read our local newspaper online and comment on the news of the day in the public forums provided. It's great fun and offers an excellent place to interact with others.

Some of us have become close, exchanging e-mails and chat messages. One of the women has suggested we all get together at a local watering hole and meet each other, and the gang has agreed.

I would love to join in, but the problem is that the persona I built online is that of a hunky, handsome young man — including a pilfered photo I posted as "me" on my profile. Needless to say, he is NOT me. I am a 54-year-old, chubby, graying man who wears glasses.

I would love to meet these people, but I'm embarrassed about the lies I have told them. Some of the women have flirted with me, thinking I am this sexy guy. How can I fix this so we can all be friends? I am afraid they'll be angry at my ruse.

— ABS OF SPONGE

DEAR ABS OF SPONGE: Keep your sense of humor, wear a name tag that reads "Guess Who?" and when they ask who you are, remind them people shouldn't believe everything they read. You are by far not the only person to

"fudge" by a few years — or a few pounds — in describing oneself. In fact, you may be surprised to discover that you weren't the only creative writer in the group.

PS. Your true identity may be the most interesting "news flash" at the gathering.

DEAR ABBY: My fiance and I plan to be married this spring. We have been engaged for 18 months, and he is a wonderful person. We are recent college graduates with good jobs and plan to continue working.

I recently inherited a large sum of money from my aunt, and my parents have recommended that I have a prenuptial agreement to protect my assets. My fiance has no substantial assets.

Abby, you have always stated that trust is one of the most important things in a relationship. Would it show a lack of trust if I ask for a prenup? When do you recommend one?

— TRUSTING IN ALABAMA

DEAR TRUSTING: I recom-

mend a prenuptial agreement when there is a discrepancy in the amount of assets each partner is bringing to the marriage. Because you have doubts about having one, you should discuss the matter with an attorney. To ask your fiance to sign a prenup is not an indication that you don't trust him. On the contrary, his reluctance to sign one could be regarded as a lack of trust in you.

However, before the document is signed, it must be reviewed by an independent attorney (not yours) to ensure that your fiance's interests are also protected.

DEAR ABBY: One of my teachers at school wears jeans and a T-shirt every day. None of the other teachers dresses so casually.

I mentioned it to my mom, and we both think it is unprofessional. Do you agree? If so, should we say something to the principal — although I would imagine he already knows?

— TAKEN ABACK CHEYENNE, WYO.

DEAR TAKEN ABACK: I do agree. And I am surprised that there isn't some kind of written dress code for the staff at your school. But allow me to offer a suggestion. Instead of your bringing this to the attention of the principal, the message might be better received if it was delivered by your mother.

IF MARCH 6 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY

Don't give in to negativity between now and the end of June, as any storm clouds that threaten are sure to pass you by if you are diligent about honoring your commitments. During this time period avoid beginning any important new enterprise; don't take on loans, debts or obligations. September, October, and November are your best months for business activities and taking a romantic vacation. You can charge forward with important plans then, as your judgment is better than usual and assistance from outside sources will help you attain your ambitions.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Press the pedal to the metal and zoom, zoom, zoom. Your industriousness and creative flair can make a favorable impression over the next several days. Don't add anything new, just keep on trucking.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Deal with disapproval. If you are operating within a suspicious or hostile atmosphere, take care to be as forthright and honest as possible. This isn't a time to make excuses or start something new.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Logic and truth may not always be the same thing. It is possible that the suspicions that have been



aroused are unfounded, but it is always wise to double check facts. Hold off on launching crucial plans.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Stay in dry dock. This isn't a good time to launch a ship or set sail for a new destination. It is far better to stay home and take care of everyday necessities than to take a chance on a vacation.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Make sure no one can play a shell game with your money. The cosmic conditions are unfavorable for major purchases, loans or signing contracts. Tighten economic belts and wait out a temporary condition.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): "Fool me once, shame on you; fool me twice, shame on me." This isn't the time to take a chance by giving someone a second chance or beginning something completely new and different. Remain patient.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Don't shirk duties, no matter how distasteful. You will find that evasiveness undermines your reputation but that being truthful brings

rewards. Someone is willing to help you out if needed.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Love is a four-letter word, too. Be sure to spell things out in careful detail to prevent misunderstandings. Indulge an appetite for the good things in life; have a fabulous dinner out or visit the spa.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): You are blessed by an inspirational outlook. A deeply serene philosophy will act as an anchor if storm clouds blow through your life later this weekend. Avoid starting important new ventures.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Self-control is the ticket. Restrain your impetuous urges. Use your storehouse of excellent manners and tactfulness to sidestep disputes. If someone asks you for a favor, be generous and grant it.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): There is enough on your plate. Don't toss in extra balls in an effort to improve your juggling act. Loved ones are more than willing to accept an apology if they are briefly upset by your actions.

PISCES (Feb. 19-Mar. 20): Speak plainly. It is not in your best interest to be cryptic or subtle. Be sure to get all the vital details ironed out with others so that misunderstandings don't erupt. Sidestep new obligations or expenditures.

Today is Friday, March 6, the 65th day of 2009. There are 300 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History: On March 6, 1836, the Alamo in San Antonio fell to Mexican forces after a 13-day siege.

On this date: In 1834, the city of York in Upper Canada was incorporated as Toronto.

In 1853, Verdi's opera "La Traviata" premiered in Venice, Italy.

In 1857, the United States Supreme Court ruled in Dred Scott v. Sandford that Scott, a slave, was not an American citizen and could not sue for his freedom in federal court.

In 1933, a nationwide bank holiday declared by President Franklin D. Roosevelt went into effect.

In 1935, retired Supreme Court Justice Oliver Wendell Holmes, Jr., died in Washington.

TODAY IN HISTORY

In 1944, U.S. heavy bombers staged the first full-scale American raid on Berlin during World War II.

In 1957, the former British African colonies of the Gold Coast and Togoland became the independent state of Ghana.

In 1967, the daughter of Josef Stalin, Svetlana Alliluyeva, appeared at the U.S. Embassy in New Delhi and declared her intention to defect to the West.

In 1983, in a case that drew much notoriety, Cheryl Araujo was gang-raped atop a pool table in a tavern in New Bedford, Mass., called Big Dan's; four men were later convicted of the attack. (Araujo was killed in a car accident in 1986.)

In 1987, 193 people died when the British ferry Herald of Free Enterprise capsized off the Belgian port of Zeebrugge.

Ten years ago: The emir of Bahrain (Sheik Isa bin Salman Al Khalifa), a key Western ally who had ruled for nearly four decades, died shortly after a meeting with Defense Secretary William Cohen; he was 65.

Five years ago: President George W. Bush backed off on plans to require frequent Mexican travelers to the U.S. to be fingerprinted and photographed before crossing the border. A water taxi capsized in Baltimore's Inner Harbor, killing five people.

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE
Trustee's Sale No. 02-SF-69786
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, PIONEER LENDER TRUSTEE SERVICES, LLC, the duly appointed Successor Trustee, will on June 26, 2009, at the hour of 01:00 PM of said day, FRONT STEPS OF THE TWIN FALLS COUNTY COURTHOUSE, 425 SHOSHONE STREET NORTH, TWIN FALLS, ID, 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 and personal property (hereafter referred to collectively as the "Property"), situated in the County of TWIN FALLS, State of Idaho, to-wit: THE FOLLOWING REAL PROPERTY SITUATE IN COUNTY OF TWIN FALLS AND STATE OF IDAHO, DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: TOWNSHIP 10 SOUTH, RANGE 17, EAST OF THE BOISE MERIDIAN, TWIN FALLS COUNTY, IDAHO SECTION 1: A PORTION OF LOTS 2 AND 3, MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: PARCEL 7A BEGINNING AT THE NORTH QUARTER CORNER OF SECTION 1, SAID POINT LIES NORTH 89° 51'30" WEST 2,631.75 FEET FROM THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF SECTION 1; THENCE SOUTH 06° 57'11" WEST 65.17 FEET; THENCE ALONG A CURVE: T-41°02'23" R-147.5 FEET; A-105.68 FEET; C-103.43 FEET; T-55.22 FEET; LCB-SOUTH 62° 31'37" EAST TO THE REAL POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE SOUTH 42° 00'26" EAST 118.58 FEET; THENCE ALONG A CURVE: T-25° 03'07" R-315.04 FEET; A-137.76 FEET; C-136.67 T-70.00 FEET; LCB-SOUTH 54° 32'04" EAST; THENCE SOUTH 22° 56'18" WEST 25.00 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 36° 53'34" WEST 364.07 FEET; THENCE NORTH 60° 07'00" WEST 262.30 FEET; THENCE NORTH 36° 25'34" EAST-415.25 FEET; THENCE NORTH 47° 59'34" EAST 25.00 FEET TO THE REAL POINT OF BEGINNING. PARCEL ID: RP 10S17E010660 A PROPERTY ADDRESS: 4111 NORTH MEADOW RIDGE CIRCLE The Trustee has no knowledge of a more particular description of the above-referenced Property but, for purposes of compliance with Section 60.113 of Idaho Code, the Trustee has been informed that the address of **4111 N MEADOW RIDGE CIR, 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 **JAN A SUND, JAMES SUND**, as Grantor, to FIRST AMERICAN TITLE INSURANCE COMPANY, as Trustee, for the benefit and security of BANK OF AMERICA, NA, as Beneficiary, dated 6/8/2007, recorded 7/6/2007, under Instrument No. 2007-016564, Mortgage records of TWIN FALLS COUNTY, IDAHO, the beneficial interest in which is presently held by BANK OF AMERICA, NA. 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. The default for which this sale is made is the failure to pay when due under the Deed of Trust Note dated 6/8/2007 THE MONTHLY PAYMENT WHICH BECAME DUE ON 10/13/2008 AND ALL SUBSEQUENT MONTHLY PAYMENTS, PLUS LATE CHARGES AND OTHER COSTS AND FEES AS SET FORTH Amount Due as of February 19, 2009 Delinquent Payments from October 13, 2008 5 payments at \$590.84 each \$2954.20 (10-13-08- through 2-19-09) Late Charges: \$0.00 Beneficiary Advances: \$309.01 Suspense Credit: \$0.00 Total: \$3,263.21 All delinquencies are now due, together with unpaid and accruing taxes, assessments, trustee's fees, attorney's fees, costs and advances made to protect the security associated with this foreclosure. The Principal balance is \$73,974.11, together with interest thereon at 8.240% per annum from 9/13/2008, until paid The Beneficiary elects to sell or cause the trust property to be sold to satisfy said obligation. Anyone having any objection to the sale on any grounds whatsoever will be afforded an opportunity to be heard as to those objections if they bring a lawsuit to restrain the same. DATED: 2/19/2009 PIONEER LENDER TRUSTEE SERVICES, LLC Trustee BY: Kara Lansberry, Assistant Trustee officer o/o REGIONAL TRUSTEE SERVICES CORPORATION 616 1st Avenue, Suite 500 Seattle, WA 98104 Phone: (206) 340-2550 Sale Information: <http://www.trustee.com> ASAP# 3011102

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE
TS No. 09-0013534 Title Order No. 090102308IDGSSO Parcel No. RP-876210020180A The following described property will be sold at public auction to the highest bidder, payable in lawful money of the United States, in the lobby of Land Title & Escrow, 1411 Fillmore Street, Suite 600 Twin Falls, ID 83301, on 07/07/2009 at 11:00 am, (recognized local time) for the purpose of foreclosing that certain Deed of Trust recorded 02/04/2003 as Instrument Number 2003-003076, and executed by **JOSE A BETTEN-COURT, A MARRIED MAN**, as Grantor(s), in favor of MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC., as Beneficiary, to RECONTRUST COMPANY, N.A., the Current Trustee of record, covering the following real property located in Twin Falls County, state of Idaho: LOT 18, BLOCK 2, MCCOLLUM ADDITION, TWIN FALLS COUNTY, IDAHO, ACCORDING TO THE OFFICIAL PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN BOOK 2 OF PLATS, PAGE 21, 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 Idaho Code, Section 60-113, the Trustee has been informed that the street address of **910 SPRAGUE AVENUE, BUHL, ID 83316** is sometimes associated with said real property. Bidders must be prepared to tender the trustee the full amount of the bid at the sale in the form of cash, or a cashier's check drawn on a state or federally insured savings institution. Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty, express or implied, regarding title, possession or encumbrances to satisfy the obligation secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in that certain Deed of Trust. The default for which this sale is to be made is: Failure to pay the monthly payment due 06/01/2008 of principal, interest and impounds and subsequent installments due thereafter; plus late charges, with interest currently accruing at 6.500% per annum; together with all subsequent sums advanced by beneficiary pursuant to the terms and conditions of said Deed of Trust, and any supplemental modifications thereto. The principal balance owing as of this date on said obligation is \$73,277.24, plus interest, costs and expenses actually incurred in enforcing the obligations thereunder and in this sale, together with any unpaid and/or accruing real property taxes, and/or assessments, attorneys' fees, Trustees' fees and costs, and any other amount advanced to protect said security, as authorized in the promissory note secured by the aforementioned Deed of Trust. Therefore, the Beneficiary elects to sell, or cause said trust property to be sold, to satisfy said obligation. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THIS FIRM IS ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE, AND THAT THE DEBT MAY BE DISPUTED. 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. DATED: 02/27/2009 Name and Address of the Current Trustee is: RECONTRUST COMPANY, N.A. 1800 Tapo Canyon Rd., CA6-914-01-94 SIMI VALLEY, CA 90028-1821 PHONE: (800) 281-8219 RECONTRUST COMPANY, N.A. Successor Trustee Kari Marx, Assistant Secretary ASAP# 3011439

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE
Loan No 0071697320 TS No 039-002981 On 5/12/2009, at 11:00 a.m. (recognized local time), at the following location in the County of Twin Falls, State of Idaho: Lobby of Title Fact 163 4th Avenue North Twin Falls, ID 83301 Transnation Title & Escrow, inc., a Delaware Corporation, as Trustee on behalf of Land America OneStop, 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 6 IN BLOCK 1 OF GRANDVIEW MESA SUBDIVISION NO. 2, TWIN FALLS COUNTY, IDAHO ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF, RECORDED IN BOOK 15 OF PLATS, PAGE 29, RECORDS OF SAID COUNTY. 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 **832 SAGE MESA CT., 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 **JOHN BURROUGHS AND ANITA BURROUGHS, HUSBAND AND WIFE** as Grantor/Trustor, in which NATION ONE MORTGAGE COMPANY, INC. is named as Beneficiary and FIRST AMERICAN TITLE INSURANCE COMPANY as Trustee and recorded 7/29/1999 as Instrument No. 1999-014184 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 7/29/1999 The monthly installments of principal, interest, and impounds (if applicable) of \$1,024.57, due per month for the months of 4/1/2008 through 12/30/2008, 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 \$118,676.64 together with interest thereon at the current rate of 8.25000 per cent (%) per annum from 3/1/2008. 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 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 Date: 12/31/08 Transnation Title & Escrow, Inc. a Delaware Corporation By: Lynn Darling, AVP THIS IS AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. ASAP# 2988500

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PUBLIC NOTICE
The State of Idaho operates the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) program so that children may be cared for in their own homes or in the homes of relatives; to end dependence of needy parents on government benefits by promoting job preparation, work, and marriage; to prevent and reduce the incidence of out-of-wedlock pregnancies and establish annual numerical goals for preventing and reducing the incidence of these pregnancies; and to encourage the formation and maintenance of two-parent families. This program is known as Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF). The draft plan is available for review at the Idaho Department of Health and Welfare, Bureau of Benefit Program Operations, 450 W. State Street, 2nd floor, Boise, ID. You may also review the Plan on our website <http://www.healthandwelfare.idaho.gov> using the link TANF then Hot Topic and then State Plan. Anyone wishing to submit written comments must do so on or before April 17, 2009. You may do so by emailing weppnrg@dhw.idaho.gov

Pam Hillman
Idaho Dept. of Welfare
Central Office
208-334-5784

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE
Idaho Code 45-1506 Today's date: February 5, 2009 File No.: 7023.14170 Sale date and time (local time): June 08, 2009 at 11:00 AM Sale location: outside the main entrance of the Cassia County Courthouse, 1459 Overland Ave. Burley, ID 83318 Property address: 133 South 400 East Rupert, ID 83350 Successor Trustee: Northwest Trustee Services, Inc., an Idaho Corporation P.O. Box 997 Bellevue, WA 98009 (425) 586-1900 Deed of Trust information Original grantor: **Rodney Dale Fairchild and Rebecca Lynn Fairchild**, husband and wife Original trustee: First American Title Insurance Company Original beneficiary: Headlands Mortgage Company, a California Corporation Recording date: October 21, 1997 Recorder's instrument number: 251804, Film No. 292 County: Cassia Sum owing on the obligation: as of February 5, 2009: \$110,566.49 Because of interest, late charges, and other charges that may vary from day to day, the amount due on the day you pay may be greater. Hence, if you pay the amount shown above, an adjustment may be necessary after we receive your check. For further information write or call the Successor Trustee at the address or telephone number provided above. Basis of default: failure to make payments when due. Please take notice that the Successor Trustee will sell at public auction to the highest bidder for certified funds or equivalent the property described above. The property address is identified to comply with IC 60-113 but is not warranted to be correct. The property's legal description is: Parcel No. 1: Township 9 South, Range 25 East of the Boise Meridian, Cassia County, Idaho. Section 31: Part of Lot 2, more particularly described as follows: Beginning at the W1/4 corner of said Section 31, said corner marked by a 5/8 inch rebar with a 3 inch Cassia County Survey cap on top; thence North 00 degrees 21'02" East along the West section line for a distance of 906.29 feet to a 1/2 inch rebar; thence North 81 degrees 23'01" East for a distance of 211.09 feet to a 1/2 inch rebar; thence North 80 degrees 18'12" East for a distance of 610.93 feet to a 1/2 inch rebar which shall be the Point of Beginning; thence North 79 degrees 27'31" East for a distance of 284.54 feet to a 1/2 inch rebar; thence South 09 degrees 58'58" East for a distance of 171.22 feet to a 1/2 inch rebar; thence 79 degrees 00'58" West for a distance of 160.33 feet to a 1/2 inch rebar; thence South 83 degrees 09'08" West for a distance of 129.15 feet to a 1/2 inch rebar; thence North 08 degrees 19'53" West for a distance of 164.25 feet to the Point of Beginning. Parcel No. 2: Township 9 South, Range 25 East of the Boise Meridian, Cassia County, Idaho. Section 31: Part of Lot 2, more particularly described as follows: Beginning at the W1/4 corner of said Section 31, said corner marked by a 5/8 inch rebar with a 3 inch Cassia County Survey cap on top; thence North 00 degrees 21'02" East along the West section line for a distance of 906.29 feet to a 1/2 inch rebar; thence North 81 degrees 23'01" East for a distance of 211.09 feet to a 1/2 inch rebar; thence North 80 degrees 18'12" East for a distance of 610.93 feet to a 1/2 inch rebar; thence North 79 degrees 27'31" East for a distance of 284.54 feet to a 1/2 inch rebar; thence South 09 degrees 58'58" East for a distance of 171.22 feet to a 1/2 inch rebar which shall be the Point of Beginning; thence North 79 degrees 00'58" East for a distance of 100.13 feet to a 1/2 inch rebar; thence South 08 degrees 03'41" East for a distance of 127.98 feet to a 1/2 inch rebar; thence South 80 degrees 34'40" West for a distance of 263.64 feet to a 1/2 inch rebar; thence North 06 degrees 25'46" West for a distance of 121.01 feet to a 1/2 inch rebar; thence North 79 degrees 00'58" East for a distance of 160.33 feet to the Point of Beginning. Parcel No. 3: Easement for ingress and egress for the benefit of Parcels No. 1 & 2, as created by Gift Deed executed by Byron Dale Fairchild and LaRaine Fairchild, husband and wife to Rodney Dale Fairchild and Rebecca Lynn Fairchild, husband and wife dated April 23, 1997 and recorded May 5, 1997 as Instrument No. 248821 on Film No. 286, records of Cassia County, Idaho, over and across the following described property: Township 9 South, Range 25 East of the Boise Meridian, Cassia County, Idaho, Section 31: Part of Lot 2, more particularly described as follows: Beginning at the W1/4 corner of said Section 31, said corner marked by a 5/8 inch rebar with a 3 inch Cassia County Survey cap on top; thence North 00 degrees 21'02" East along the West section line for a distance of 906.29 feet to a 1/2 inch rebar which shall be the Point of Beginning; thence North 00 degrees 21'02" East for a distance of 30.37 feet; thence North 81 degrees 23'01" East for a distance of 206.07 feet; thence North 80 degrees 18'12" East for a distance of 610.42 feet; thence North 79 degrees 27'31" East for a distance of 186.58 feet; thence South 10 degrees 32'29" East for a distance of 30.00 feet; thence South 79 degrees 27'31" West for a distance of 186.80 feet to a 1/2 inch rebar; thence South 80 degrees 18'12" West for a distance of 610.93 feet to a 1/2 inch rebar; thence South 81 degrees 23'01" West for a distance of 211.09 feet to the Point of Beginning. The sale is subject to conditions, rules and procedures as described at the sale and which can be reviewed at www.northwesttrustee.com or USA-Foreclosure.com. The sale is made without representation, warranty or covenant of any kind. (TS# 7023.14170) 1002.85849-FEI

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE
Loan No 0058518721 T S No 057-007069 On 6/22/2009, at 11:00 am (recognized local time), at the following location in the County of Twin Falls, State of Idaho: Lobby of TitleFact 163 4th Avenue North Twin Falls, ID 83301 TRANSNATION TITLE & ESCROW, INC., A DELAWARE CORPORATION, as Trustee on behalf of LandAmerica OneStop, 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 24, BLOCK 2, KIMBERLY MEADOWS SUBDIVISION NO. 1, TWIN FALLS COUNTY, IDAHO, ACCORDING TO THE OFFICIAL PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN BOOK 20 OF PLATS, PAGE 11, 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 **511 CAYUSE CREEK, KIMBERLY, ID 83341** 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 **JOHN S FONTES, A MARRIED MAN**, AS HIS SOLE as Grantor/Trustor, in which MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC., is named as Beneficiary and TITLE FACT as Trustee and recorded 7/2812006 as Instrument No 2006-018571 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 7/27/2006 The monthly installments of principal, interest, and impounds (if applicable) of \$1,744.87, due per month for the months of 10/1/2008 through 2/1/2009, 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 \$201,469.24 together with interest thereon at the current rate of 7.00000 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 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 Date: 2/11/2009 TRANSNATION TITLE & ESCROW, INC. A DELAWARE CORPORATION By: Lynn Darling, AVP THIS IS AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE ASAP# 2997350

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE
On 6/23/2009 at 11:00 am (recognized local time), at the following location in the County of Jerome, State of Idaho: Lobby of Land Title & Escrow 237 N. Lincoln St. Jerome, ID 83338, TRANSNATION TITLE & ESCROW, INC., A DELAWARE CORPORATION, as Trustee on behalf of LandAmerica OneStop, 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 Jerome State of Idaho, and described as follows: LOT 6 IN BLOCK 4, JEROME TOWNSITE, JEROME COUNTY, IDAHO, AS THE SAME IS PLATTED IN THE OFFICIAL PLAT THEREOF, NOW OF RECORD IN THE OFFICE OF THE RECORDER OF SAID COUNTY., 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 **104 7TH AVENUE EAST, JEROME, ID 83338** 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 **GRANT HANCHEY & LACEY HANCHEY, HUSBAND & WIFE** as Grantor/Trustor, in which MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC., is named as Beneficiary and LAND TITLE AND ESCROW, INC. as Trustee and recorded 3/13/2007 as Instrument No 2071495 in book -, page - of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of Jerome 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 3/12/2007 The monthly installments of principal, interest, and impounds (if applicable) of \$622.62, due per month for the months of 10/1/2008 through 2/1/2009, 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 \$68,532.27 together with interest thereon at the current rate of 7.25000 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 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 Date: 2/12/09 TRANSNATION TITLE & ESCROW, INC. A DELAWARE CORPORATION By: Lynn Darling, AVP THIS IS AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. ASAP# 2997381

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 Title Order No. 090085736IDGNO
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The following described property will be sold at public auction to the highest bidder, payable in lawful money of the United States, inside the North entrance to Lincoln County Courthouse located at 111 West B St., Shoshone, ID 83352, on 06/29/2009 at 11:00 am, (recognized local time) for the purpose of foreclosing that certain Deed of Trust recorded 04/23/2004 as Instrument Number 176662, and executed by **LINDA ROBERSON, AN UNMARRIED WOMAN**, as Grantor(s), in favor of MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC., as Beneficiary, to RECONTRUST COMPANY, N.A., the Current Trustee of record, covering the following real property located in Lincoln County, state of Idaho: Lot 5 of the South Beverly Estates Subdivision as shown on the Official Plat of Record in the Records of Lincoln County and more particularly described as follows: Commencing at the intersection of South Beverly Street and "D" Street, from which the intersection of South Beverly and "C" Street bears North 26°45'45" East, 340.38 feet; Thence South 63°15'00" East along the center of "D" Street for a distance of 173.00 feet; Thence North 26°45'45" East for a distance of 40.00 feet to the Southwest Corner of said Lot 5 and being the TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING; Thence North 26°43'35" East along the revised Westerly boundary of said Lot 5 for a distance of 14.86 feet to a point in the center of a common wall separating two townhouse units, said point being on the Southwesterly side of the townhouse units; Thence North 26°59'55" East along the center of the common wall for a distance of 63.23 feet to a point on the Northeasterly side of the townhouse units; Thence North 26°25'15" East along the revised Westerly boundary of said Lot 5 for a distance of 42.10 feet to the Northwesterly corner of said Lot 5; Thence South 63°15'00" East along the Northerly boundary of said Lot 5 for a distance of 35.00 feet to the Northeasterly corner of said Lot 5; Thence South 26°45'45" West along the Easterly boundary of said Lot 5 for a distance of 120.19 feet to the Southeasterly corner of said Lot 5; Thence North 63°15'00" West along the Southerly boundary of said Lot 5 for a distance of 35.00 feet to the TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING. The Trustee has no knowledge of a more particular description of the above referenced real property, but for purpose of compliance with Idaho Code, Section 60-113, the Trustee has been informed that the street address of **309 E. D STREET, SHOSHONE, ID 83352** is sometimes associated with said real property. Bidders must be prepared to tender the trustee the full amount of the bid at the sale in the form of cash, or a cashier's check drawn on a state or federally insured savings institution. Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty, express or implied, regarding title, possession or encumbrances to satisfy the obligation secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in that certain Deed of Trust. The default for which this sale is to be made is: Failure to pay the monthly payment due 10/01/2008 of principal, interest and impounds and subsequent installments due thereafter; plus late charges, with interest currently accruing at 5.750% per annum; together with all subsequent sums advanced by beneficiary pursuant to the terms and conditions of said Deed of Trust, and any supplemental modifications thereto. The principal balance owing as of this date on said obligation is \$65,695.96, plus interest, costs and expenses actually incurred in enforcing the obligations thereunder and in this sale, together with any unpaid and/or accruing real property taxes, and/or assessments, attorneys' fees, Trustees' fees and costs, and any other amount advanced to protect said security, as authorized in the promissory note secured by the aforementioned Deed of Trust. Therefore, the Beneficiary elects to sell, or cause said trust property to be sold, to satisfy said obligation. **NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THIS FIRM IS ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE, AND THAT THE DEBT MAY BE DISPUTED. 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, DATED : 02/19/2009 Name and Address of the Current Trustee is: RECONTRUST COMPANY, N.A. 1800 Tapo Canyon Rd., CA6-914-01-94 SIMI VALLEY, CA 90028-1821 PHONE: (800) 281-8219 RECONTRUST COMPANY, N.A. Successor Trustee Amanda Roese, Team Member ASAP# 3001100**

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**UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
 FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY
 COMMISSION**

Corral Creek South Hydro, LLC
 Project No. 13314-000
 Notice of Preliminary Permit Application Accepted for Filing and Soliciting Comments, Motions to Intervene and Competing Applications
 (February 4, 2009)

On November 5, 2008, Corral Creek South Hydro, LLC filed an application, pursuant to section 4(f) of the Federal Power Act (FPA), proposing to study the feasibility of the Corral Creek South Pumped Storage Project to be located in Twin Falls County, Idaho on federal land administered by the Bureau of Land Management. The proposed project would be closed loop and would not be built on an existing body of water.
 The proposed project would consist of: (1) an upper earthen dam with a height of 180 feet and a length of 8,400 feet; (2) an upper reservoir with a surface area of 118 acres, a capacity of 9,120 acre-feet, and a maximum pool elevation of 6,620 feet msl; (3) a lower earthen dam with a height of 200 feet and a length of 4,140 feet; (4) a lower reservoir with a surface area of 113 acres, a capacity of 10,880 acre-feet, and a maximum pool elevation of 5,500 feet msl; (5) a 30 foot diameter, 4,710 foot long penstock; (6) a powerhouse containing 10 pump/turbine units with a total installed capacity of 1,100 MW; (7) a 10.6 mile long, 500 kV transmission line and; (8) appurtenant facilities. The proposed project would have an annual production of 3,212 GWh which would be sold to a local utility.
 Applicant Contact: Brent L. Smith, P.O. Box 535, Rigby, Idaho, 83442 (208) 745-0834
 FERC Contact: Steven Sachs (202) 502-8666
 Deadline for filing comments, motions to intervene, competing applications (without notices of intent), or notices of intent to file competing applications: 60 days from the issuance of this notice.
 Comments, motions to intervene, notices of intent and competing applications may be filed electronically via the internet. See 18 CFR 385.2001(a)(1)(ii) and the instructions on the Commission's website under the "e-Filing" link. If unable to be filed electronically, documents may be paper-filed. To paper-file, an original and eight copies should be mailed to: Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE, Washington, DC 20426.
 For more information on how to submit these types of filings please go to the Commission's website located at <http://www.ferc.gov/filing-comments.asp>. More information about this project can be viewed or printed on the "eLibrary" link of the Commission's website at <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/eLibrary.asp>. Enter the docket number (P-13314) in the docket number field to access the document. For assistance, call toll-free 1-866-208-3372.
 Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary.

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