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Twin Falls man suspected in Friday afternoon crime spree

By Nate Poppino
Times-News writer

Twin Falls Police say four incidents that culminated in a knife attack and a car chase in Twin Falls on Friday may have been related.

All four crimes seem to have involved Christopher Schmitz, 28, of Twin Falls. Schmitz, identified

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by Idaho State Police as the driver of a white four-door 2002 Pontiac Bonneville, was extricated from his

vehicle and taken to St. Luke's Magic Valley Medical Center after hitting a 2006 GMC Sierra driven by Zachary Todd, 29, of Kimberly, at Eastland Drive and Pole Line Road East.

According to police, the incidents began around 12:30 p.m.

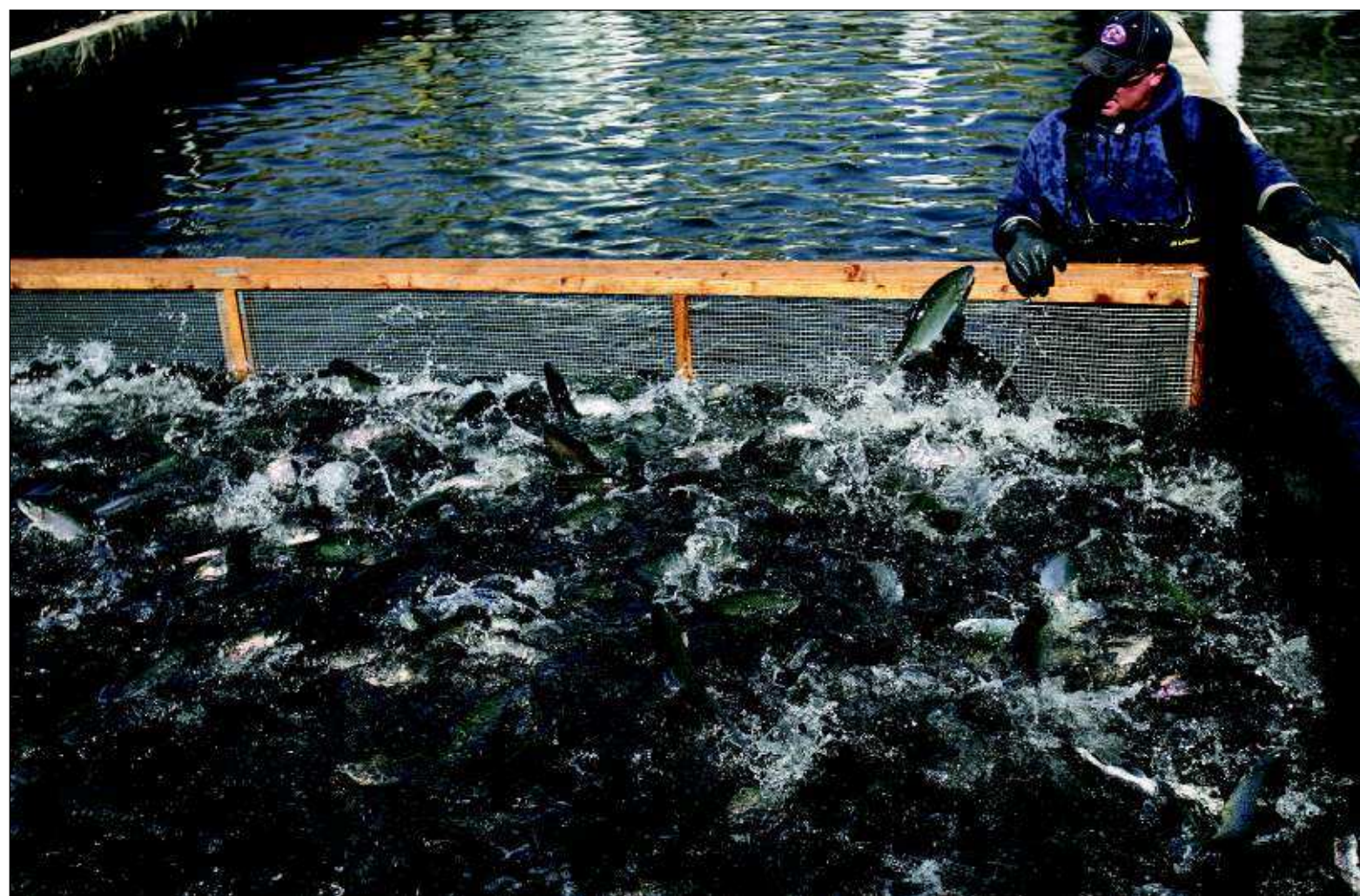
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Twin Falls police officers direct traffic after an accident at the intersection of Pole Line Road and Bridgeview Boulevard Friday afternoon in Twin Falls.

Water users dodge bullet



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Chris Jones, an employee of Clear Springs Foods, uses a screen to move fish down a raceway Friday afternoon at the Buhl fish farm. Out of 78 raceways at the farm, five are not in use because of a lack of water. The state is examining a new proposal from groundwater pumpers to replace water missing from the springs that feed the farm. If it's not accepted, the state may have to shut down wells across the Magic Valley.

State water agency says it won't order curtailment Monday

By Jared S. Hopkins
Times-News writer

BOISE — Idaho Department of Water Resources Director Dave Tuthill said Friday he will not order hundreds of water users to shut off their wells Monday, but he said the option is still on the table.

During a meeting Friday with

officials from two groundwater districts and Clear Springs Foods in Buhl, Tuthill said he has not approved the mitigation plan submitted Thursday by the districts to provide more water to the fish farm. Last week, he said that without a proper plan, he'd shut 865 wells across 41,000 acres of irrigated farmland Monday to make

up about 2 cubic-feet-per-second of spring water owed to the fish farm — roughly 15 gallons a second.

Instead of turning off the wells, the director has scheduled a workshop for Tuesday to address his concerns with the latest plan. He said after Friday's meeting that he hopes the whole issue will be

resolved — either through approval of the plan or curtailment — by the end of the week. He noted the urgency of ruling on the plan — the irrigation season formally begins Sunday — but said current cold weather allows for officials to take some extra time.

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School budget planning on hold

By Ben Botkin
Times-News writer

School budget planners have plenty of work left.

When the Legislature's work ends, school district officials will have a better idea of how much state funding will be trimmed from their budgets. For now, they know that Superintendent of Public Instruction Tom Luna has proposed \$62 million in education cuts.

Cuts could be deeper, depending on whether lawmakers approve a 5 percent cut in state per-

sonnel, including educators. But federal stimulus money could mean a 3 percent cut instead.

"We know the \$62 million is still being considered by JFAC and what's worrisome is that the governor has also recommended an additional \$47 million or 5 percent across-the-board cuts in salary," said Wiley Dobbs, superintendent of Twin Falls School District.

Even a personnel cut of 3 percent would have an impact, Dobbs said.

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JFAC readjusts budget, considers alternative to Otter's stimulus plan

By Jared S. Hopkins
Times-News writer

BOISE — State budget writers on Friday reduced the spending target for next year's budget by \$50 million to bring it to \$2.5 billion, and reviewed a plan to spend Idaho's stimulus money that heavily contrasts with Gov. C.L. "Butch" Otter's, including softening cuts to public schools.

The budget adjustment — more than \$42 million less than what Otter's economists suggested last week — followed a possible budget scenario outline to lawmakers by analysts with options

to spend the \$1.24 billion headed to Idaho. For example, stimulus money could be used to minimize cuts to public schools, rather than be put into reserves like Otter wants. His plans to spend \$45 million in discretionary funding would also be revised.

"That is a spending target," Joint Finance-Appropriations Committee Chairman Sen. Dean Cameron, R-Rupert, told reporters afterward. "The debate is going to be all about how you use the stimulus funds."

But the scenario reflects most of Superintendent of

Public Instruction Tom Luna's stimulus proposal and injects \$40 million into the public schools budget, thereby cutting that budget by 3.4 percent instead of 6.3 percent as budget writers anticipated last month. Otter wants to bank that \$40 million away for the future, extending Luna's proposed \$62 million in cuts to public schools to more than \$100 million.

"You've got to remember 87 percent of school costs are personnel," Otter said Thursday. "So you've gotta go where the money is."

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Upbeat Obama touts new model for recovery

By Tom Raum and Jim Kuhnhenn
Associated Press writers

WASHINGTON — Turning more upbeat, President Obama said Friday his administration is working to create a "post-bubble" model for solid economic growth once the recession ends. He said that means the days of overheated housing markets and "people maxing out on their credit cards" are over.

But first, Obama said, "We've got to get through this difficult period."

There are "modestly encouraging signs" on that score, said Lawrence Summers, Obama's top economic adviser, citing indications that consumer spending had stabilized after taking a dive over the holiday season.

The White House attempts to be positive matched a fourth day in a row of stock market gains. The Dow Jones industrials gained 53.92 points to cap Wall Street's best week since last November.

Administration officials were criticized earlier this year for painting too dark a picture of the economy in an effort to win congressional passage of the president's \$787 billion stimulus package. But more recently, the president and others on his team have tempered their comments in hopes of building confidence, including the president's suggestion last week that it was a good time for those with a long-term perspective to buy stocks.

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AP photo

President Obama gestures while speaking in the Oval Office of the White House in Washington, Friday.



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Jackpot airport gets approval to finish fencing project

By Kimberly Williams-Brackett
Times-News correspondent

JACKPOT, Nev. — The Jackpot Advisory Board approved a grant application for the Federal Aviation Administration to complete the fencing project around the Jackpot Airport/Hayden Field.

Chairwoman Beth Winans said the advisory board will match 5 percent. In addition to the airport entitlement funds, the grant applied for was \$197,422; therefore, the board's contribution is \$10,390.

As part of an improvement project, the amount of fencing required to complete the project is 1,700 feet, said Winans.

The fencing project was initiated in late 2007 and it's expected to be completed by either this summer or as late as next winter, said Jackpot Advisory Board Clerk Dixie Choate.

Client Services Manager Ryan Pritchett for Armstrong Consultants Inc., a Colorado-based company hired to advise the board on airport improvements attended the board meeting.

In other business, Elko County Public Works submitted a grant request to be in compliance with the Nevada Division of Environmental Protection on the Jackpot Wastewater Plant deficiencies including high groundwater nitrates. The sewer facilities plan is at 50 percent with a schedule to be completed and put before the Jackpot Advisory Board at its April meeting for approval. It will be reviewed by NDEP shortly after acceptance by the county commission.

Elko County Public Works Director Lynn Forsberg said "The environmental has not been started, but we do not anticipate any more than a categorical exclusion since the project boundaries are within previously disturbed areas of the existing Jackpot Sewer Disposal Lagoons."

The engineers for this project are Stantec Consulting Engineers of Salt Lake City.

The advisory board approved funds to pay a janitor to clean the Jackpot Municipal Building. "The cleaning duties had fallen to Brad and Shelly Hester," said Choate. Hester said the sheriff's department is now fully staffed.

Sam Feltman reported on her plans for "Pride in Jackpot Day." The cleanup day is scheduled for May 13. Gloves and vests will be provided for kids who participate in a wide range of projects to create environmental awareness and to beautify Jackpot. Raft River Electric will sponsor a barbecue.

Filer schools reset construction budgets

By John E. Swayze
Times-News correspondent

FILER — A revised budget for a multi-million-dollar expansion project in the Filer School District has received school board approval.

Last month the school board announced that bids for the construction of a 47,000 square-foot, \$11 million intermediate school and a \$1.2 million classroom expansion at Filer High School had come in \$3 million under budget after the projects were originally expected to cost \$15 million, funded by a bond passed last May by voters.

Joe Reams, construction supervisor with Brennan Construction of Pocatello, formulated a new budget around the bid results. He said at the February board meeting that accepting all proposed changes would still leave around \$1.8 million extra. However, Wednesday's meeting revealed that city sewer capacity fee charges of \$128,000 could reduce the original figure to \$1.6 million.

"Based on my previous experience, I initially budgeted around \$12,000 for these charges, Reams said. "I don't have any influence here, but you might be able to negotiate this with them."

Proposed budget changes included expanding the original \$343,000 furniture and equipment budget for both the

"Build it now while we have the money; don't cripple us by wishing we had 10 years down the road."

— Jim Hughes, District Long Range Planning Committee Chairman

new school and high school addition to \$650,000. The intermediate school will have \$645,000 for cafeteria construction and a \$175,000 stage area.

Three separate roofing projects, yet to be bid, will also see budget increases. Repairs to Filer Elementary School roof have jumped from \$450,000 to \$700,000. And roof repairs at Hollister Elementary were doubled to \$200,000.

Filer Middle School has been allotted \$200,000. Approximately \$90,000 will be used to repair the gym roof and \$110,000 for any remaining repairs. Repaving of the west end parking lot has also been moved from an estimated \$75,000 to \$350,000. An additional \$800,000 had been earmarked for football field lights, restrooms, bleachers, concessions and a press box.

Over the past several weeks, District Long Range Planning Committee members have solicited public comment on the budget changes and what should be done with any remaining funds.

Committee Chairman Jim Hughes reported that a large majority was supportive of using the money to complete projects the original \$15 million bond was meant to fund.

"We should make sure we give some money back, but the consensus was let's get things done right," Hughes said. "Build it now while we have the money, don't cripple us by wishing we had 10 years down the road."

Among budget projects the school board has decided to hold off making a decision on are approximately \$75,000 to re-sod the high school football field and \$80,000 for resurfacing the track.

"Money has been set aside for both of these, but we won't be doing some of the smaller things like ball field lighting" District Superintendent John Graham said.

"The board has decided to explore available options."

Cutbacks in state funding for education means the district could lose up to \$600,000 in next year's budget. Extra money would also help the district plan for a possible supplemental levy.

"I don't have it exactly figured out," Graham said "But this would leave us with somewhere around \$2 million to reduce the levy rate."

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AROUND THE VALLEY

Alberdi joins state water resources board

Vince Alberdi, the former manager of the Twin Falls Canal Co., has now joined the Idaho Water Resources Board.

Alberdi and Pocatello Mayor Roger Chase were both recently appointed to four-year terms by Idaho Gov. C.L. "Butch" Otter, the board announced on Friday. The two, who both served on an advisory committee developing a plan to manage the Eastern Snake Plain Aquifer, will take over seats held by Claude Storer of Idaho Falls and Vic Armacost of New Meadows.

As the board's at-large member, Alberdi will join Leonard Beck of Burley in representing south-central

Idaho. Beck and board Chairman Terry Uhling were also recently reappointed to four-year terms. All four members still have to be confirmed by the state Senate.

The board works with the Idaho Department of Water Resources to address water issues across the state. It also creates and implements the state water plan, and will review the work of a plan subcommittee at its next meeting.

That meeting is set for 8:30 a.m. Friday at the Idaho Water Center, 322 E. Front St. in Boise. For more: <http://www.idwr.idaho.gov/waterboard/>.

Mikesell not paid for SIRCOMM work

Twin Falls County

Commissioner Tom Mikesell, who also chairs the governing board for the Southern Idaho Regional Communications Center, is not being paid for his ongoing work assisting with administrative duties there.

Former SIRCOMM Director John Shearman resigned March 6, two days after being placed on administrative leave.

Mikesell has volunteered some time most days since to help run the center, in part because he's the only full-time county commissioner on the governing board.

Jerome County Commission Chairman Charlie Howell, also a board member, said he wondered about pay when the idea was first suggested.

Mikesell rejected any idea

of compensation, he said.

Chamber hosts life tribute for Holtman

The Twin Falls Area Chamber of Commerce will host a life sketch memorial at 4 p.m. Sunday for Sam Holtman, who died March 4, in Ely, Nev., while on business. Holtman moved to the area a few years ago from California, and was a manager for Danny Marona before opening his own business with the Big Boy's BBQ Shack.

The memorial is at the Turf Club, the general public is welcome. Contributions can be made to the Sam Holtman Memorial Fund at 451 Woodland Ct., Twin Falls, ID 83301.

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Twin Falls County property owners concerned about proposed power line

By Kimberly Williams-Brackett
Times-News correspondent

A major transmission line proposed near Twin Falls has area property owners concerned about its possible impact. A public information meeting of local property owners between 2300 East and 3100 East, south of Twin Falls, took place in south Twin Falls County Wednesday evening. Representatives of the Bureau of Land Management, Idaho Power Company, and Rocky Mountain Power attended.

Kristi Pardue and Glenn Pond with Rocky Mountain Power explained the need for the Gateway West Transmission Line Project and how the general routing of the project was decided. Idaho Power and Rocky Mountain Power plan to build more than 1,000 miles of high-voltage transmission lines across southern Wyoming and southern Idaho. Confined-animal feeding operators located in the proposed energy corridor expressed concern that the possibility of stray voltage and magnetic fields could harm their livestock. Dockter said numerous

studies have shown there is no harm to people or cattle from the transmission lines. Property owners and agents from Westerra Real Estate Group in attendance agreed there would be a marked decrease in financial value of property near the transmission line. Clay Nannini from Westerra was unavailable for further comment. Maps were reviewed showing alternate routes that would go a half mile north of the proposed corridor. The alternate route would also be north of the CAFO owned by Swagger Farms and a half mile north of the organic dairy owned

by Sean Mallett. Property owners agreed the alternative route would avoid most impact and Idaho Power said it would be seriously considered. The environmental impact statement is the basis for the BLM's determination whether to issue right-of-way grants across federal lands. BLM Field Manager Mike Courtney said they are in the process of writing a draft. Courtney encouraged property owners to submit comments to be considered in the final impact statement. The transmission line is projected to begin service in 2012-2014.

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TWIN FALLS COUNTY DRIVING UNDER THE INFLUENCE SENTENCINGS

Derik J. Johnson, 22, Twin Falls; driving under the influence; costs waived; 90 days jail, credit for 26 days served; driving privileges suspended 90 days.
Kassidy J. Whittaker, 21, Dietrich; one count driving under the influence, excessive; \$1,000 fine, \$700 suspended; \$90.50 costs; \$75 public defender fee; 90 days jail, 80 suspended, credit for one day served; driving privileges suspended 365 days; 24 months probation; no alcohol; one count open container dismissed.
Ryder C. Orozco, 39, Boise; one count driving under the influence, second offense; \$1,500 fine, \$750 suspended; \$90.50 costs; 365 days jail, 355 suspended, credit for two days served; driving privileges suspended 365 days; 24 months probation; one count driving without privileges; \$500 fine, \$400 suspended; \$90.50 costs; \$75 public defender fee; 90 days jail, 84 suspended, credit for time served; driving privileges suspended 180 days; 24 months probation; one count driving under the influence, second offense; \$1,500 fine, \$750 suspended; 365 days jail, 355 suspended, credit for six days served; 24 months probation; one count driving without privileges dismissed.

MISDEMEANOR SENTENCINGS

Bryan T. Allen, 32, Twin Falls; driving without privileges; \$600 fine, \$300 suspended; \$90.50 costs; 90 days jail, balance suspended, credit for time served; 12 months probation.
Marcus A. Kelly, 30, Twin Falls; one count driving without privileges, two or more convictions; \$700 fine, \$400 suspended; \$90.50 costs; \$75 public defender fee; 365 days jail, balance suspended, credit for time served; driving privileges suspended 365 days; 12 months probation; one count provide false information to an officer; \$500 fine, \$300 suspended; 180 days jail, balance suspended; 12 months probation; one count resisting/obstructing an officer dismissed.
Elijah A. Halper, 21, Jerome; one count driving without privileges; \$500 fine, \$400 suspended; \$90.50 costs; \$75 public defender fee; 90 days jail, 85 suspended, credit for one day served, three days work detail; driving privileges suspended for 30 days; 12 months probation; one count possession of drug paraphernalia; \$500 fine, \$300 suspended; 90 days jail, 85 suspended, credit for one day served, three days work detail; 12 months probation; one count possession of a controlled substance dismissed.

Jose A. Mares-Maya, 20, Buhl; driving without privileges; \$500 fine, \$300 suspended; \$90.50 costs; 180 days jail, 90 suspended, credit for time served; driving privileges suspended 180 days; 12 months probation.
Kenneth M. Jabin, 35, Filer; driving without privileges; \$700 fine, \$400 suspended; \$90.50 costs; \$75 public defender fee; 90 days jail, 88 suspended, credit for one day served, one day work detail; driving privileges suspended 180 days; 12 months probation.
Russell J. Wageman, 27, Twin Falls; battery; amended to disturbing the peace/disorderly conduct; \$300 fine, \$200 suspended; \$75.50 costs; 10 days jail, 10 suspended; 12 months probation.
Louis S. Smothers, 45, Twin Falls; battery; amended to disturbing the peace/disorderly conduct; costs uncollectible; 90 days jail, credit for time served.
Edward L. Box, 37, Twin Falls; battery; amended to disturbing the peace/disorderly conduct; \$300 fine, \$200 suspended; \$75.50 costs; \$75 public defender fee; 30 days jail, 15 suspended, credit for time served; 12 months probation.
Tyler J. Anderson, 21, Buhl; two counts battery; costs waived; 15 days jail.
Anthony W. Shields, 21, Twin Falls; battery; amended to disturbing the peace/disorderly conduct; costs waived; nine days jail.
Ernest C. Egan, 49, Twin Falls; felony malicious injury to property; amended to misdemeanor; \$500 fine, \$300 suspended; \$75.50 costs; 90 days jail, 89 suspended, credit for time served; 12 months probation.
J. Pablo Zarate-Centeno, 51, Hansen; driving under the influence; amended to inattentive/careless driving; \$300 fine, \$200 suspended; \$90.50 costs; \$75 public defender fee; 30 days jail, 29 suspended, credit for time served; 12 months probation.
Kami R. Ince, 20, Buhl; failure to purchase/invalid driver's license; \$144 fine; 10 days jail, balance suspended; 12 months probation.
Matthew B. Kilfoyle, 26, Twin Falls; one

count possession of a controlled substance; \$500 fine, \$250 suspended; \$85.50 costs; 180 days jail, 178 suspended, credit for one day served, one day work detail; 12 months probation; one count possession of drug paraphernalia; \$500 fine, \$250 suspended; 180 days jail, 178 suspended, credit for one day served, one day work detail; 12 months probation.
Cynthia A. Conway, 28, Kimberly; unlawful possession of game bird; \$100 fine; \$83 costs; five days jail, five suspended; 12 months probation; \$75 civil penalty.
Jose I. Gonzalez, 34, Twin Falls; attempted strangulation; amended to battery; \$500 fine, \$300 suspended; \$75.50 costs; \$75 public defender fee; 180 days jail, balance suspended; 12 months probation.
Rosendo Garcia-Villa, 26, Twin Falls; one count failure to purchase/invalid driver's license; costs waived; 10 days jail, credit for five days served; one count open container, dispensing alcohol to a minor; 10 days jail, five suspended, credit for time served; concurrent.
Jose Suarez-Zamora, 24, Twin Falls; failure to purchase/invalid driver's license; costs waived; 10 days jail, credit for four days served.
Cenobio Rios-Martinez, 23, Twin Falls; dispensing alcohol to a minor; costs waived; 10 days jail, five suspended, credit for time served.
Dario A. Azevedo, 19, Filer; one count aggravated battery; amended to battery; \$75.50 costs; 180 days jail, 120 suspended; 14 months probation; no contact with victim; one count battery; 180 days jail, 180 suspended; 14 months probation; consecutive; no alcohol; \$3,866.32 restitution.

MISDEMEANOR DISMISSALS

Rebeka M. McNeil, 20, Twin Falls; reckless driving; dismissed by prosecutor.
Heriberto Servin-Salinas, 28, Buhl; domestic battery; dismissed by prosecutor.
Chantelle M. Snowardt, 21, Twin Falls; possession of a controlled substance; dismissed by prosecutor.
Matthew S. Rollins, 32, Twin Falls; possession of a controlled substance; five years penitentiary; two years determinate; three years indeterminate; suspended; three years probation; \$1,000 fine, \$500 suspended; \$110.50 costs; \$417 court compliance costs; shall not possess or consume any alcoholic beverages or frequent any establishment where alcohol is the main source of income; 125 hours community service.
Benny M. Pulgado, 57, Twin Falls; driving under the influence; six years penitentiary; two years determinate; four years indeterminate; suspended; four years probation; \$1,200 fine, \$1,000 suspended; \$115.50 costs; \$660 court compliance costs; \$350 public defender fee; 120 days jail, credit for one day served; driving privileges suspended two and one half years; interlock ignition device on vehicle until March 1, 2013; shall not possess or consume any alcoholic beverages or frequent any establishment where alcohol is the main source of income.
Dagon W. Williams, 23, Thousand Palms, Calif.; one count possession of a controlled substance; seven years penitentiary; five years determinate; two years indeterminate; one count aggravated assault; 12 years penitentiary; five years determinate; seven years indeterminate; judge granted retained jurisdiction; sentenced to 180 days to be served at the Idaho State Board of Corrections; concurrent; \$2,000 fine; \$110.50 costs; \$350 public defender fee; \$885.43 restitution.
Lawrence Barnes, 28, Twin Falls; possession of a controlled substance with intent to deliver; eight years penitentiary; four years determinate; four years indeterminate; judge granted retained jurisdiction; sentenced to 180 days to be served at the Idaho State Board of Corrections; \$5,000 fine; \$110.50 costs; \$500 public defender fee; \$1,073.23 restitution; \$441 court compliance costs; 100 hours community service.
Michael F. Burt, 56; sexual penetration

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forfeible by use of foreign object; amended to aggravated battery; ten years penitentiary; five years determinate; five years indeterminate; judge granted retained jurisdiction; sentenced to 180 days to be served at the Idaho State Board of Corrections; \$88.50 costs.
Jamie M. Cummings, 28, Kimberly; possession of a controlled substance; four years penitentiary; two years determinate; two years indeterminate; judge granted retained jurisdiction; sentenced to 180 days to be served at the Idaho State Board of Corrections; \$110.50 costs; \$287.50 restitution; 100 hours community service.
FELONY DISMISSALS
Katie E. Rhodes, 22, Twin Falls; possession of a controlled substance; dismissed by prosecutor.
Mandy A. Rose, 32, Twin Falls; two counts possession of a controlled substance; dismissed by prosecutor; plea negotiations.
Billie K. Draper, 52, Twin Falls; possession of a controlled substance; dismissed by prosecutor.
CIVIL FILINGS
Carolyn McNew as guardian ad litem for Brady N. McNew vs. Edward R. Hinton. Seeking judgment against defendant for special and general damages; amount to be proven at trial; attorney's fees and costs. Plaintiffs allege that while Brady McNew was standing in the road in front of defendant's house, defendant came out of his house, grabbed him and began striking him in the head with a bat causing him to sustain personal injury.
Kirby C. Gough vs. Casey J. Heitzmann and Mountain View Spraying Inc. Seeking judgment against the defendants for special and general damages; amount to be proven at trial; attorney's fees and costs. Plaintiff seeking reimbursement for injuries sustained in a vehicle accident.

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Bill on dyed fuel clears House

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Last year, however, when regular diesel rose to more than \$4 per gallon, use of dyed fuel doubled.

Violators would pay a \$250 fine for first offenses — atop existing fines of up to \$1,000. Second and third offenses would be \$500 and \$1,000.

Rep. Scott Bedke, an Oakley rancher and proponent, said "When fuel went to \$4, and you could buy the other for 50 cents cheaper, that's what the increase came from."

Foes said they thought it would lead to suspicion and "clutter" Idaho's heartland with diesel-fuel informants.

Man sentenced for hate crime

LEWISTON — A northern Idaho man found guilty of felony malicious harassment under the state's hate crime law has been sentenced to at least 60 days in jail.

Steven Leas, 26, of Lewiston, was sentenced Thursday by 2nd District Court Judge Carl B. Kerrick for the 2007 altercation with a black man outside a convenience store.

Kerrick sentenced Leas to a suspended one- to three-year prison sentence, requiring Leas to serve 180 days in jail with 120 days suspended.

Leas was also placed on probation for three years and given 100 hours of community service.

Leas was convicted of felony malicious harassment last fall.

Police say Leas shoved Herman L. Gary and used racial slurs as Gary left a convenience store.

Sportsmen back hunting fee increase plan

BOISE — Idaho hunters and anglers are getting behind a plan to raise license fees to help the agency that manages Idaho elk, deer, trout and salmon.

Several sportsmen who spoke at a Senate hearing Friday compared the fee increase to the price of a box of bullets or a trip to the movies.

The fee increase would raise the Department of Fish and Game's budget by 15 percent, or \$5.1 million.

Only some of the Department's nearly 200 licenses and tags would be affected, including a \$2 increase for deer tags, while anglers would pay an additional \$3.75.

Sportsmen say they can support the proposal because they would ultimately benefit from the agency having more money to manage fish and game.

The Senate Resources Committee delayed a vote on the plan until Monday.

ARIZONA

Serial shooting suspect found guilty

PHOENIX — A former janitor accused of being the main suspect in the Serial Shooter attacks was convicted Friday of six murders and dozens of other crimes in a more than yearlong series of random attacks on pedestrians, bicyclists and even animals that unnerved Phoenix-area residents for months.

Prosecutors will seek the death penalty against Dale Hausner, 36, in the next phase of his trial, set to begin March 23.

Finalist turns down UI president job over pay

By Jessie L. Bonner
Associated Press writer

BOISE — Kansas State Provost Duane Nellis said Friday he turned down an offer to become the next University of Idaho president after Idaho's Board of Education rejected his salary request.

In an interview with The Associated Press, Nellis said he had sought less money at Idaho than what he and his wife, a Kansas State

employee, make together at that school, where they earn a combined base salary of \$370,354 a year.

"I was not being unreasonable, in my opinion," Nellis said.

Nellis is paid a yearly base salary of \$272,116 as provost and his wife, Ruthie, makes a \$98,238 base salary working in institutional advancement, said Kansas State spokeswoman Beth Bohn.

While none of the five finalists announced in

January have been publicly offered the top job at Idaho's oldest public university, Nellis said board leaders extended an offer to him by telephone on Wednesday.

"I told them, given what they were offering me, I was turning them down," Nellis said.

Board spokesman Mark Browning declined to discuss the salary negotiations with Nellis. He said an official offer to the next university president has to be made

as the result of a vote in an open meeting.

Nationwide, median pay and benefits for presidents of public research universities rose 7.6 percent during the 2007-2008 school year to \$427,400, according to an annual survey that The Chronicle of Higher Education released in November.

Former Idaho President Tim White was paid \$291,912 in his fourth and final year, a salary "substan-

tially below" the average for a research institution of its size and reputation, said Paul Fain, a senior reporter at The Chronicle who researches compensation of university presidents.

"That's near the bottom," Fain said. "You're going to have a hard time getting who you want if you're in that range."

For example, the new president of West Virginia University will be paid a base salary of \$450,000, Fain said.

Chief Justice Roberts discusses Lincoln during Idaho visit

MOSCOW (AP) — Chief Justice John Roberts discussed the legal prowess of President Lincoln during a university lecture Friday and fended off an audience member who advanced the widely discredited theory that Barack Obama was not legally qualified to be president.

Roberts said Lincoln had such a finely developed

sense of justice as a lawyer that he had trouble taking cases he did not believe in, and could not do his best work on such cases. This trait was well known among his fellow lawyers, Roberts said.

"He could not ignore his



Roberts

internal compass," said Roberts, who was nominated by President George W. Bush to lead the Supreme Court and took office in 2005.

Roberts also noted that Lincoln lost his only case before the nation's highest court, a complicated real estate dispute.

Roberts spoke before a packed house of some 1,200 people at the annual Bellwood Memorial Lecture Series at the University of Idaho.

At one point during the audience question period, Orly Taitz, a woman from Rancho Santa Margarita, Calif., said she had documents proving that President Obama was not born in the

United States and thus could not be president. While audience members laughed, she said she had half a million signatures of people demanding the Supreme Court hear the matter.

Roberts cut her off by saying that if she had documents with her, she should give them to security officers. He also said he could not discuss the issue.



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"I understand that you want to make finance entertaining, but it's not a ... game."
 — "The Daily Show" host Jon Stewart chastised "Mad Money" host Jim Cramer for putting entertainment above journalism on his show

Glenns Ferry lawmaker engineers breakthrough

CHEERS: To state Rep. Rich Wills for brokering the most difficult compromise so far in this session of the Idaho Legislature.

Wills, a four-term Republican from Glenns Ferry, chaired a four-member subcommittee of the House Education Committee that cut a deal to suspend various state laws, allowing cuts in Idaho's public schools next year. Rep. Donna Pence, D-Gooding, was also a member of the subcommittee.

The new bill will focus on temporary, one-year changes for financial emergencies, and won't interfere with teacher contract rights.

It's expected to be intro-

duced Monday, co-sponsored by House Education Committee Chairman Bob Nonini, R-Coeur d'Alene; Senate Education Chairman John Goedde, R-Coeur d'Alene; House Speaker Lawrence Denney, R-Midvalle; Senate President Pro-tem Bob Geddes, R-Soda Springs; the Idaho Education Association; the Idaho School Boards Association and the Idaho Association of School Administrators.

That's quite a coalition and it shows a commitment to getting Idaho through the current economic crisis with as little damage as possible.

JEERS: Congressman Mike Simpson is the most sensible



politician we know. So why is the six-term Idaho Republican co-sponsoring House Bill 1317?

The legislation would provide a \$5,000 tax credit to homeowners who are current on their mortgages.

What's next? Tax credits for paying your cable TV bill on time?

HB1317 would allow individuals who are liable for principal mortgage payments due

during 2008 and 2009, and who make all payments on time, to receive a \$5,000 tax credit. A married individual filing a separate return would be eligible for a \$2,500 tax credit.

Sorry, congressman, but we don't think doing something which you have legally contracted to do merits a gold star — or a tax cut.

CHEERS: To the Idaho Senate, for its resounding vote on Thursday to protect Idaho's kids.

A bill to regulate most day-care centers in the state passed by a resounding 30-5 margin, with longtime day-care licensing skeptic Denton Darrington, R-Declo, voting

with the majority. Idaho currently requires no criminal background checks, no smoke detectors, no minimum staffing requirements, or anything else for small day-care operators; it licenses only those with 13 or more unrelated children.

That's why Idaho ranks last in the nation for oversight of child care.

The House Republican leadership and House Health and Welfare Committee Chairwoman Sharon Block, R-Twin Falls, should give this bill a fair hearing. Similar proposals by Rep. George Saylor, D-Coeur d'Alene, have been killed in Block's committee the past three years.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Student performance should not be linked to teacher pay

I, as a grandmother of a child with a disability, am heartsick when President Obama wants to pay teachers according to how well their students do. I am sure he is not aware of how disabled children who are borderline will be affected.

What teacher will want a slower child in their classroom when the ideal is to have the best children who are willing and able to learn quickly in their class so their paycheck will grow? Talk about leaving children behind and not letting them have a chance to have the best teachers who could perhaps touch them and bring out the best in them even though they bring down the class grade percentage!

We have a hard time finding teachers to fill special education classes now. Who will be willing to give up their opportunity to make more money by taking on these special children? Every child is different and learns at a different pace. Should the teacher and students be punished?

I just want you to know that just such a child was told when beginning high school, "College will be a hurtful and unsuccessful option for you. Technical college may be the best if even that is possible." But with good "special educators" and parents, the child will be graduating from college within the next year. That may just be one story, but it is "the one" that had the chance to blossom under teachers who did not look at the percentage of growth of learning in their class. Just such a child would be left behind under Obama's theory. How many

more success stories are around? How many will we have under Obama's theory?

Please think about them and let your congressmen know to vote no to such an idea to pay teachers according to the learning growth percentage of their classroom.

Just one proud and thankful grandparent,
MRS. RALPH BRINGHURST
 Twin Falls

If President Obama fails, the county fails

God bless America! We, the people, elected Obama as our president to lead our country. He has been on the job approximately 50 days. No matter what he says or does, it's wrong according to our so-called experts with their negative thinking, which in turn creates "fear!"

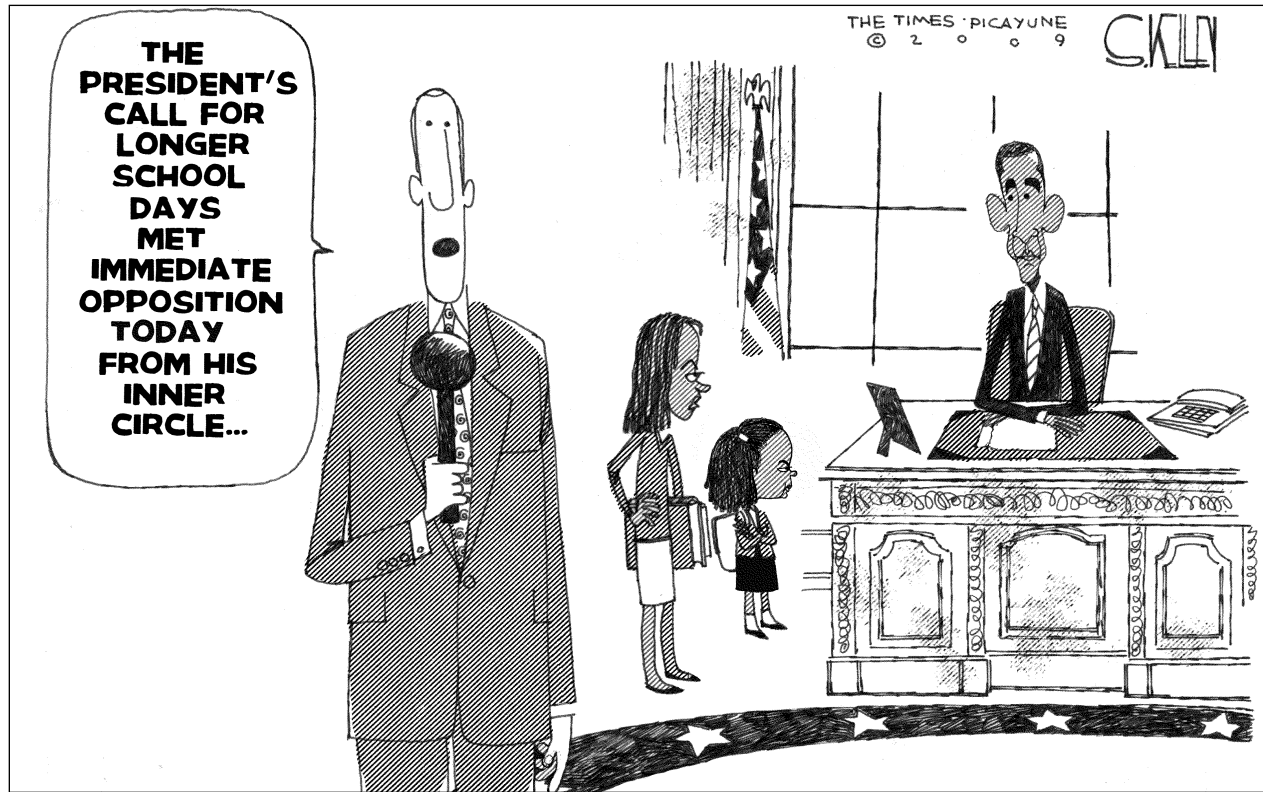
Give our president a chance. It's time for us to be a team. I'm 80 years old and a veteran who joined our military (not drafted) to serve. I love this country, and our forefathers did a damn good job when they created the Constitution. Let's practice what they put together.

Rush Limbaugh made the statement, "I want Obama to fail." Has Rush Limbaugh been taking classes from Osama bin Laden, who wants our country to fail?

Doesn't Rush know that if Obama (our president) fails, our country may fail also?

In business, success is mainly accomplished with quality and trust. We need our leaders to work as a team instead of concentrating on their egos.

God bless America, a wonderful country to live in.
HERMAN SCHMITZ
 Twin Falls



Finally, a president tells the truth about education

President Obama bluntly outlined the shortcomings of America's generously financed public education system this week.

Instead of being a pander bear, the 44th president turned stern principal — with critical report cards for both ends of the political spectrum.

"For decades, Washington has been trapped in the same stale debates that have paralyzed progress and perpetuated our educational decline," he argued.

"Too many supporters of my party have resisted the idea of rewarding excellence in teaching with extra pay, even though we know it can make a difference in the classroom.

"Too many in the Republican Party have opposed new investments in early education, despite compelling evidence of its importance."

The result, said Obama, is "partisanship and petty bickering," with "worn fights of the 20th century" preventing the country from educating its population to succeed in the 21st.

It would have been fun to hear private reactions from teachers union nabobs as Obama advocated merit pay for teachers, declaring that "it's time to start rewarding good teachers, stop making



JOEL CONNELLY

excuses for bad ones."

Even greater fun would be to confront a "pro-life" Republican lawmaker and ask why he/she voted to slash Head Start money and childhood learning. Does society's responsibility for life begin at conception, but end at birth?

The plight of education in America curiously mirrors the condition of health care.

We have a splendid tradition of enabling people: Remember the GI Bill? Our universities draw students from around the world. Nobel Prize winners populate their classrooms and laboratories.

Yet some inner-city schools have dropout rates topping 50 percent. Our curriculum for 8th-graders falls two full years behind top competitor nations. Singapore's middle-school kids outperform ours in the classroom. Other industrialized countries deploy rigorous standards and standardized curriculums.

In the U.S., Obama said Tuesday, "Today's system of 50 different sets of bench-

marks for academic success means fourth-grade readers in Mississippi are scoring nearly 70 points lower than students in Wyoming — and they're getting the same grade."

We've heard other presidents sound the trumpet. George Bush Sr. took office 20 years ago promising to be the "education president." George W. Bush teamed with Sen. Edward Kennedy to pass the "No Child Left Behind Act," which issues ratings but lifts no boats.

At lunch last week, I was a listening board for the frustrations of two educational reformers working in Olympia.

They detailed resistance to merit pay for teachers, denial of benefits needed to bring a badly needed infusion of science and math teachers, and diehard union resistance to charter schools.

Hence, Obama's bold words — "It's time to start rewarding good teachers, stop making excuses for bad ones" — must be backed with political muscle, against a powerful lobby in his own party.

Republicans could find places to applaud.

Obama described charter schools as "laboratories of innovation," adding:

"Right now, there are many caps on how many charter schools are allowed

in some states, no matter how well they're preparing our students. That isn't good for our children, our economy or our country."

Will Republicans sit on their hands when he tries to put more bucks into early learning, or create national benchmarks for classroom performance? Will Fox News discover how to be collegial and constructive?

Similarly, will state capitals step up to the challenge of treating teachers as professionals while holding them more accountable?

Obama promised to reward, with more money, teachers who produce achieving students. With pay, however, must come performance. "And that means states and school districts taking steps to move bad teachers out of the classroom," said the president.

Boldness is a proven tonic for hard times.

In Washington, public education always ranks first when voters are polled on priorities. Still, reforms get batted down in stale debate and polarized interest-group politics.

It shouldn't be so. As Obama put it, "What's at stake is nothing less than the American Dream."

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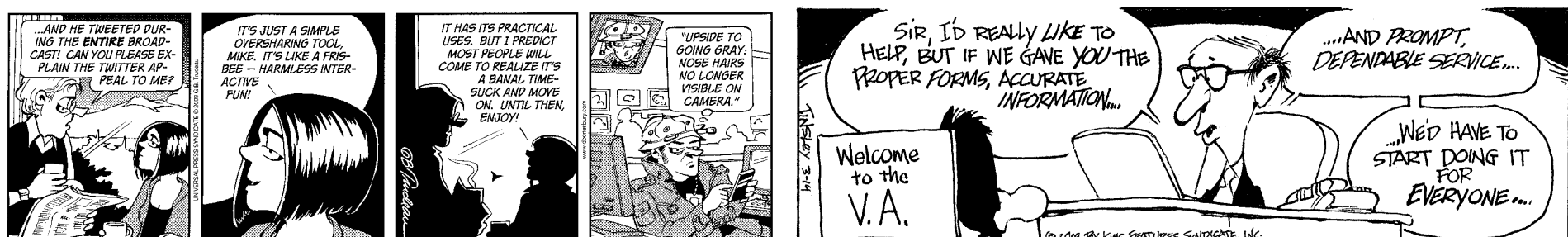
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Mitt Romney's looking pretty good right now

For a while, it looked like Mitt Romney would become more a figure of ridicule than promise. Stiff, square, and allegedly two-faced, the former Massachusetts governor was a triple-punchline target of late-night comics.

But now, with a more statesmanlike bearing and some measured criticisms of the Obama administration, Romney suddenly seems like the only adult left standing among the 2012 Republican presidential hopefuls.

It's early, of course — ridiculously early — for anyone except potential candidates to be thinking about the next presidential race. But there's been plenty of positioning going on in the now-leaderless GOP, including a head-scratching debut by one promising contender, Louisiana Gov. Bobby Jindal, and a parade of speeches by some others.

And while much of the CPAC spotlight went to someone who isn't a candidate for president — radio personality Rush Limbaugh, who came off as either boorish or straight-talking, depending on your political temperature — it was Romney who walked away with the best reviews and victory in the convention's presidential straw poll.

On one level, this isn't surprising. Romney has ace the CPAC convention in past years, and always has made a special effort to woo conservatives to compensate for his moderate Massachusetts record.

Moreover, Romney's presidential race didn't go all that badly, especially considering that Republicans usually view a candidate's first campaign as a trial run. Running second, where Romney was when he withdrew and endorsed John McCain, can be a moral victory in a party where six of the last eight



PETER CANELLOS

nominees had lost previously, and the exceptions — incumbent President Gerald Ford and presidential son George W. Bush — were already national names.

But all did not go well after Romney's withdrawal.

McCain strung him along for eight months while deciding on a ticket mate, obliging both Romney and Minnesota Governor Tim Pawlenty to audition for the job before giving it to a surprise candidate, Alaska Governor Sarah Palin.

Then came Romney's lackluster speech at the Republican convention in St. Paul; dishing out some Palinesque us-against-them rhetoric, Romney sounded like a wannabe populist in a thousand-dollar suit.

Losing the vice-presidential nomination, however, turned out to be a blessing. It's unlikely that Romney could have helped the GOP avoid defeat, and the financial collapse in the midst of the fall campaign would have cast unflattering attention on Romney's associations with investors and bankers.

But the focus on economic issues that followed the campaign actually played to Romney's strengths. The former head of a private-equity firm, Romney has been one of the few Republicans to go beyond anti-pork rhetoric and talk in depth about economic issues.

Last month, he smartly cast his lot with his friend, former eBay impresario Meg Whitman, who is running for governor of California as an entrepreneurial savior. She's not a bad bet to win

both the GOP nomination and the governorship, while test-driving Romney's message of economic growth.

And then, while Limbaugh and some other CPAC speakers were serving up cable-show vitriol, Romney made clear that he wished President Obama well and hoped for the best for the country. He then offered a more measured critique of the new administration.

"Parts of the stimulus will, in fact, do some good," he averred. "But too much of the bill was shortsighted and wasteful."

"So far, the administration has been unclear on what it will do to address the huge decline in the pool of risk and investment capital," he said, arguing that an elimination of taxes on capital gains, dividends, and interest could spur investment.

He also broke with many in his party to endorse the bank bailout, but repeated his criticism of Presidents Bush and Obama for using bailout funds to aid the auto industry.

Last fall, when he first declared his willingness to let the carmakers fail, Romney seemed to be defying his own Michigan roots as the son of an auto executive. But as General Motors and Chrysler beg for more money, Romney's position may actually be ahead of the curve. Or else it could be what his critics insist it is: another furious gyration of a politician intent on making it to the top, in whatever vehicle he can find.

Be that as it may, Romney's latest moves have put him in a far stronger position than most people would have imagined just six months ago.

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Fly as I say, not as I fly

Democratic Speaker of the House Nancy Pelosi is the Jennifer Lopez of congressional travel — fickle, demanding and notoriously insensitive to the time, costs and energy needed to accommodate her endless demands. On Tuesday, the indispensable government watchdog Judicial Watch released a trove of public records through the Freedom of Information Act on Pelosi's travel arrangements with the U.S. military.

As speaker of the House, Pelosi is entitled to a reasonable level of military protection and transport. But it's the size of the planes, the frequency of requests and last-minute cancellations, and the political nature of many of her trips that scream out for accountability.

And, of course, it's the double-barreled hypocrisy. There's the eco-hypocrisy of the Democratic leader who wags her finger at the rest of us for our too-big carbon footprints, and crusades for massive taxes and regulation to reduce global warming. Then there's the Bay Area hypocrisy of the woman who represents one of the most anti-military areas of the country soaking up military resources to shuttle her (and her many family members) across the country almost every weekend.

Remember: Pelosi's San Francisco is notorious for banning the Marines' Silent Drill Platoon from filming a recruitment commercial on its streets; killing the JROTC program in the public schools; blocking the retired battleship *USS Iowa* from docking in its waters; and attacking the Navy's Blue Angels — which left-wing activists have tried to banish from northern California skies for the past two years.

Apparently, those anti-war protesters have no problem with evil military



MICHELLE MALKIN

jets currying Pelosi and her massive entourages to the funerals of the late Rep. Stephanie Tubbs Jones and Charlie Norwood; foreign junkets to Rome; and politicized stops to Iowa flood sites to bash the Bush administration. One exasperated Department of Defense official, besieged with itinerary changes and shuttle requests back and forth between San Francisco International Airport and Andrews Air Force Base for Pelosi, her daughter, son-in-law and grandchild, wrote in an e-mail:

"They have a history of canceling many of their past requests. Any chance of politely querying (Pelosi's team) if they really intend to do all of these or are they just picking every weekend? ... (T)here's no need to block every weekend 'just in case.'"

Another official pointed out the "hidden costs" associated with the speaker's last-minute changes and cancellations. "We have ... folks prepping the jets and crews driving in (not a short drive for some), cooking meals and preflighting the jets etc." Upset that a specific type of aircraft was not available to her boss, a Pelosi staffer carped to the DoD coordinators: "This is not good news, and we will have some very disappointed folks, as well as a very upset speaker."

Three months ago, turmoil erupted over Queen Nancy's demand for the military to reposition her plane to fly out of Travis Air Force Base in Fairfield, Calif., closer to where she had "business" instead of San Francisco Airport/SFO (1.5 hours away). A special air missions official wrote:

"We have never done this in the past. The deal is ... that the Speaker shuttle is from D.C. to SFO and back. We will not reposition. We do not reposition for convenience even for the SECDEF. It is not (too) far of a drive from Travis to SFO. Did the escort suggest to the speaker that this is OK? If so, I hope you guys correct them immediately. If you agree with me that I am correct, then you need to stay strong and present the facts to the speaker's office."

Another official stated bluntly: "We can't reposition the airplane such a short distance. It is not a judicial use of the asset. It is too expensive to operate the jet when there is truly no need to do so."

A beleaguered colleague responded: "(Y)ou know I understand and feel with you ... but this is a battle we are bound to lose if we tell the speaker office. In the end, this is what will happen. ... I wish that I could say this is a one-time request, but we know it will probably happen again in the future."

In the end, the military won that battle. But a few days later, Pelosi was back with a new demand: that her military plane taking her from D.C. to San Francisco make a stop in New Jersey to bring her and three Democrats to an "innovation forum" at Princeton University involving 21 participants and no audience. A Gulfstream jet was secured for the important "official business."

No word on whether Pelosi required vanilla-scented candles, Evian water and fresh white lilies aboard the flight. But rest assured: Air Diva traveled in style, courtesy of your tax dollars and the forbearance of the U.S. military.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

'Hefty' settlement is not nearly enough

Regarding a piece in the *Times-News* by Andrea Jackson regarding a young lady that lost her leg in a car wash accident:

Andrea, you mentioned that this young lady received a "hefty" settlement. Please give me a break. This poor kid will live the rest of her life without her leg, and you say \$100,000 is a "hefty" settlement?

Why on Earth would this attorney and family settle for such a small amount? And why didn't this lightweight attorney go after the car wash?

This attorney must have passed the bar below the border; I hope the state looks into this horrible injustice.

Good luck, Amanda. I hope you take this guy to the cleaners. I would hope the *Times-News* stays on top of this one.

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MIKE SIMMONS
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from killing:

"I will neither give a deadly drug to anybody who asked for it, nor will I make a suggestion to this effect. Similarly I will not give to a woman an abortive remedy." This comes from the NOVA program on the PBS Web site.

The first part of the above oath concerns refusal to euthanize or to assist in suicides. The second sentence forbids any type of participation in abortion.

In the 1970s due to political pressure to legalize abortion, most medical schools dropped the Hippocratic Oath. Although I disagree with the invocation of the oath (it invokes non-existent Greek "gods" and "goddesses" in its very first sentence), reputable physicians would not euthanize or abort until very recently. Abortion and other killing is being added to the medical profession because of politics and not because of training within the mandate of their profession.

Pharmacists should not be forced to dispense post-

conception "morning-after" pills which may murder the unborn. To say that the prescribing physician knows best does not mitigate accessory to murder. Physicians should not intentionally kill. Ever.

If a pharmacist is forced by law to murder the unborn or to dispense euthanizing potions or to assist in suicides, then conscientious pharmacists should resist to the point of losing their license. Unfortunately, conscientiousness will then be drummed out of the pharmacological schools. But pharmacists should not participate in this holocaust no matter what the professional cost.

MARK SIMMONS
Hansen

Proposed mileage tax has many problems

There are or should be reservations about the governor's proposed tax on mileage driven. Some are:

1. Would the tax apply to miles driven out of state? If one visits Aunt Agatha in Atlanta, will Idaho collect

tax on miles driven to get there? If so, would that not be an unearned windfall to which the state has no legitimate entitlement?

2. If the state uses technology that would allow mileage driven out of state to be deducted from total mileage, then it also would be using technology that would allow the state to monitor and record movements of ordinary citizens.

3. If mileage is taxed, would the tax on fuels paid by Idaho residents be reduced (perhaps through a credit on the state income tax) to account for the fact that we would in effect be doubly taxed (for the fuel needed to drive all those miles)?

4. I believe the governor is correct in his assertion that a mileage tax is "pure." But there are valid concerns that need to be addressed before such a proposal ever sees legislative action.

Fair and equitable administration of this tax could prove cumbersome and costly.

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Pharmacists shouldn't be forced to help kill unborn

The *Times-News* says, "Pharmacists shouldn't get to say no" (March 7).

Everybody has the responsibility to say no to murder. And just because the medical establishment has relinquished its integrity and principles, pharmacists should not be forced to be their genocidal foot soldiers.

The following is one of the parts of the Hippocratic Oath which would forbid oath-taking physicians

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FINANCIALS LEAD STOCKS TO BEST WEEK SINCE NOVEMBER - SEE DAY ON WALL STREET ON BUSINESS 2

Trade deficit falls to \$36 billion in January

Overseas recession reduces demand for goods from abroad

By Martin Crutsinger
Associated Press writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — The U.S. trade deficit plunged in January to the lowest level in six years. While U.S. exports — from farm goods to autos to

civilian aircraft — fell sharply, imports fell at an even faster clip as a deepening recession cut demand for goods from abroad.

The Commerce Department said Friday the trade imbalance dropped to

\$36 billion in January, a decline of 9.7 percent from December and the lowest level since October 2002.

While the improvement was better than the \$38 billion deficit that economists had expected, they did not see the development as

good news for the economy. Imports were down because of the severe recession, already the longest in a quarter-century, and the spreading weakness globally cut even further into U.S. exports, which had up until recently

been one of the few bright spots for the economy.

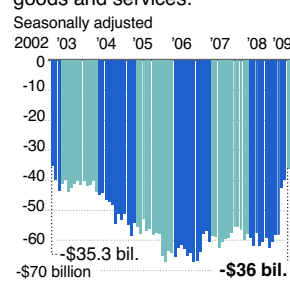
U.S. manufacturers are now confronted with a darkening picture in which demand for their products is dropping sharply not

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Shrinking deficit

In January, the U.S. trade deficit fell to its lowest level since October 2002.

The U.S. trade deficit in goods and services:



SOURCE: Department of Commerce AP

Incentive to buy

New home tax credit not just for first time homebuyers

By Blair Koch
Times-News correspondent

The real estate market isn't all doom and gloom.

In fact, said Real Estate Broker Sid Lezamiz, owner of Lezamiz Real Estate Company, market conditions and government action have helped improve consumer confidence and home ownership opportunities.

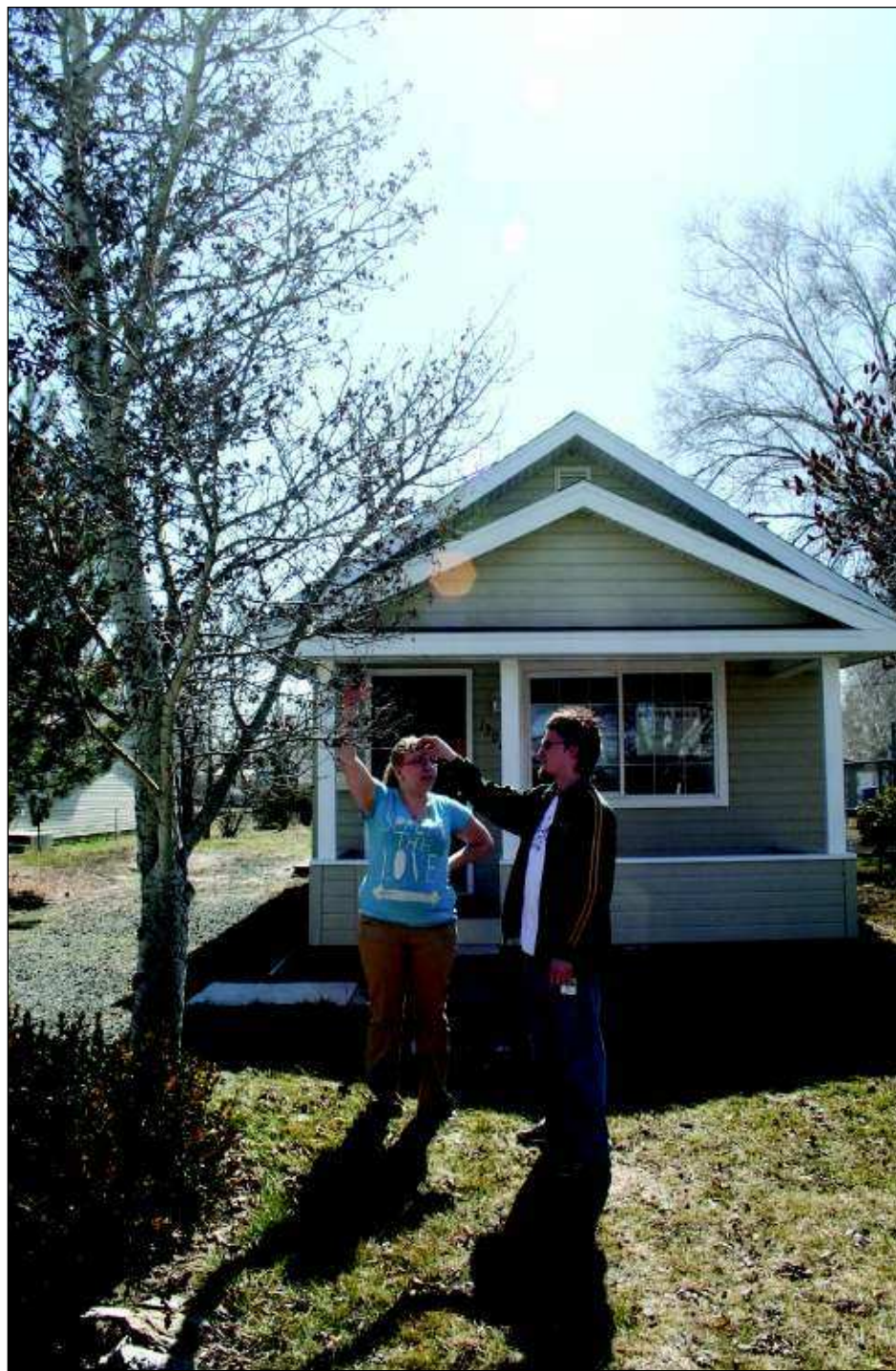
"Right now is a great time to buy a home," Lezamiz said.

He is excited about the provision within the recently passed stimulus bill on Capitol Hill giving certain home buyers a tax credit worth up to \$8,000. The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act offers a tax credit of 10 percent of a home's purchase price — up to \$8,000.

To be eligible for the credit the purchase must be recorded between January 1, 2009 and December 31, 2009.

The full tax credit is offered to buyers with reported income up to \$75,000, or \$150,000 for married couples filing a joint return. Partial tax credits are available for those with income levels up to \$95,000, or \$170,000 for those filing jointly.

More people qualify for the credit than is being reported, Lezamiz said. "A big misconception is



Angel Sheets, 18, left, and her husband Alex Sheets, 20, discuss the landscaping and possibilities at a home for sale in Twin Falls. The couple are excited about the possibility of using the new \$8,000 tax credit for qualified home buyers to help pay for a mortgage and other household necessities.

the credit is just for first time home buyers but a big caveat is that as long as you haven't owned a home for the past three years, you qualify too," he said.

The credit is already bringing more interested buyers into real estate offices. "We have about 10 fami-

MORE INFO

For more information on the federal tax credit available for first time home buyers and other qualified buyers visit www.realtor.org

lies we are working with right now who want to take

advantage of the credit," Lezamiz said.

Thirty-year mortgage rates are about five percent, and although home prices haven't fallen at rates seen in other parts of the country, prices locally have softened, especially those above

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Judge: Will rule in week on Merrill bonus case

By David B. Caruso
Associated Press writer

NEW YORK — A judge said Friday he will decide within a week whether Bank of America Corp. has to turn over a list of performance bonuses given to the 200 highest paid employees of Merrill Lynch & Co.

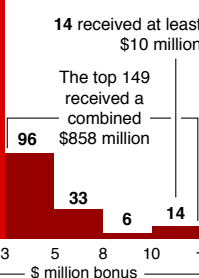
State Supreme Court Justice Bernard Fried didn't indicate how he would rule, but during the court hearing he questioned Bank of America's claim that salary information was a trade secret and suggested he was unlikely to

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600 employees received bonuses between \$1 and \$3 million

Bonuses in question

Merrill Lynch & Co. executives received \$3.6 billion in bonuses, ahead of reporting a more than \$15 billion fourth-quarter loss.



SOURCE: State of New York Office of the Attorney General AP

Twin Falls says farewell to one heck of a cook

South-central Idaho lost a strong community supporter and an excellent chef earlier this week.

Sam Holtan, a supporter of the Twin Falls Area Chamber of Commerce and the owner of Big Boy's BBQ Shack, passed away unexpectedly on March 4 while away on business.

One of my fondest summer memories was sitting outside Holtan's shack, waiting on an order of ribs and talking about the news around town.

I'm sure I speak for others around Twin Falls when I say, "We'll miss you, Sam."

A memorial for Holtan will be held 4 p.m. Sunday at the Turf Club.

Good news about tourism in S.C. Idaho:

According to state lodging sales tax numbers, Region 4 — that's south-central Idaho including the Wood River area — is only down 1.4 percent in collections compared to the same quarter last year.

In comparison, the state is down more than 5 per-



BIZ BITES
Joshua Palmer

cent, so Region 4 is really looking good.

Beneficial Finance bids farewell to Twin Fall:

Beneficial Finance, a members of the HSBC Group, will close its office in Twin Falls.

Beneficial is closing its local lending offices in the United States, but the HSBC Group will continue operation.

The closures are due to a change in operations: HSBC will not longer offer consumer loans through local offices.

A representative said customers will continue to send payments to HSBC, which has been the holding company for Beneficial for about three years.

Joshua Palmer may be reached at jpalm@magicvalley.com

— Staff reports

BUSINESS BRIEFS

MAGIC VALLEY CSI Center to host financial aid workshops

GOODING — The College of Southern Idaho North Side Center will hold two advising/financial aid workshops at the North Side campus in Gooding on March 24.

The first workshop will be held from 10 a.m. to noon; a repeat of the workshop will be held from 2 to 4 p.m.

The workshops will focus on providing students with advising and registration information for the upcoming summer and fall terms and the process of obtaining financial aid and scholarships.

Advance registration is requested. Call 934-8678 for more info or to register.

IDAHO AG's Office recovers more than \$900,000

BOISE — The Attorney General's Consumer Protection

Division completed 39 enforcement actions in 2008, nearly double the number of a year ago. These actions resulted in recovery of more than \$900,000 in restitution for Idaho consumers and a record \$2.9 million in civil penalties and costs.

Attorney General Lawrence Wasden released the consumer protection annual report for 2008

during a news conference in Boise.

Idaho consumers reported record losses of nearly \$10 million in 2008, nearly triple the losses reported to the Consumer Protection Division a year ago. Requests for information or assistance from Idaho consumers also increased 50 percent.

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March Gold	929.80	▲ 6.10	March Silver	13.23	▲ .27

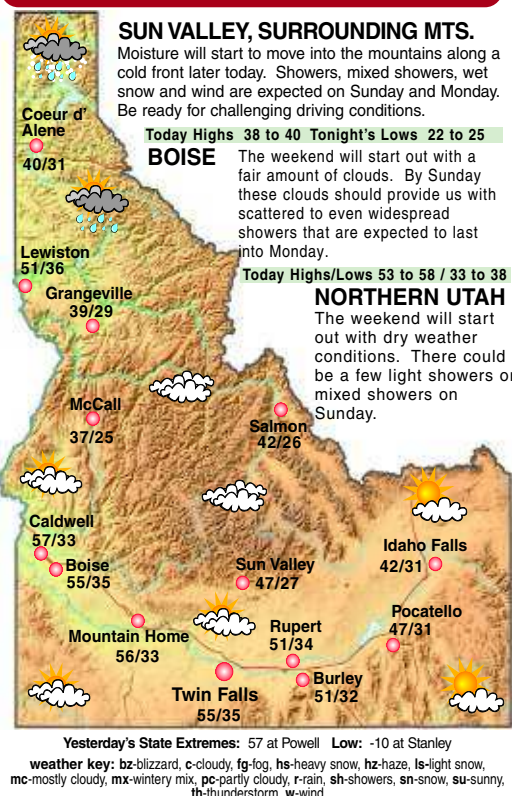
TWIN FALLS FORECAST

Today: Becoming mostly cloudy. Highs, 50s.
Tonight: Staying mostly cloudy. Lows, 30s.
Tomorrow: Strong winds developing with a small chance for a few light showers late. Highs near 50.

BURLEY/RUPERT FORECAST

Today: Mostly cloudy skies. Highs, 50s.
Tonight: Partly to mostly cloudy. Lows, 30s.
Tomorrow: Windy with a few showers at night. Highs near 50.

IDAHO'S FORECAST



SUN VALLEY, SURROUNDING MTS.

Moisture will start to move into the mountains along a cold front later today. Showers, mixed showers, wet snow and wind are expected on Sunday and Monday.

BOISE The weekend will start out with a fair amount of clouds. By Sunday these clouds should provide us with scattered to even widespread showers that are expected to last into Monday.

NORTHERN UTAH The weekend will start out with dry weather conditions. There could be a few light showers or mixed showers on Sunday.

TWIN FALLS FIVE-DAY FORECAST

Table with 7 columns: Today, Tonight, Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday. Includes weather icons and high/low temperatures.

Yesterday's Weather

Table with 4 columns: City, Hi, Lo, Precip. Lists weather for various cities like Boise, Burley, Challis, etc.

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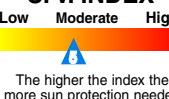
MOON PHASES



MOONRISE and MOONSET

Table with 4 columns: Today, Sunday, Monday, Moonrise, Moonset. Lists times for moonrise and moonset.

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REGIONAL FORECAST

Table with 4 columns: City, Today, Tomorrow, Monday. Lists forecasts for cities like Boise, Bonners Ferry, Burley, etc.

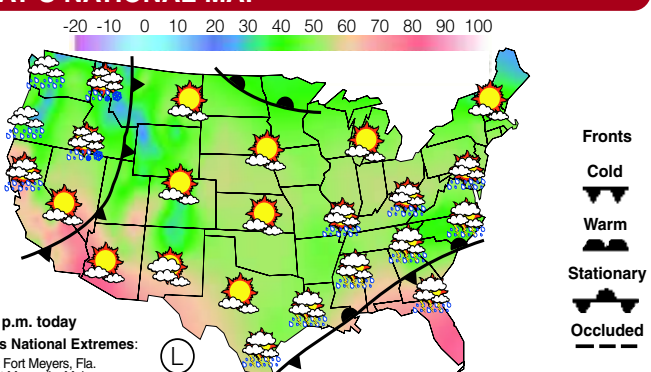
NATIONAL FORECAST

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WORLD FORECAST

Table with 4 columns: City, Today, Tomorrow, Monday. Lists forecasts for cities like Moscow, Nairobi, Paris, etc.

TODAY'S NATIONAL MAP



CANADIAN FORECAST

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Advertisement for Gregg Middlekauff's Quote of the Day featuring a photo of him and a quote about crisis management.

'Vampires' in Venice

Archaeological dig unearths remains in Italy

By Ariel David Associated Press writer



AP photo

This photo released by forensic archaeologist and anthropologist Matteo Borrini of Florence University, Italy, Friday, shows the 16th-century remains of a woman with a brick between her jaws.

ROME — An archaeological dig near Venice has unearthed the 16th-century remains of a woman with a brick stuck between her jaws — evidence, experts say, that she was believed to be a vampire.

The unusual burial is thought to be the result of an ancient vampire-slaying ritual. It suggests the legend of the mythical bloodsucking creatures was tied to medieval ignorance of how diseases spread and what happens to bodies after death, experts said.

The well-preserved skeleton was found in 2006 on the Lazzaretto Nuovo island, north of the lagoon city, amid other corpses buried in a mass grave during an epidemic of plague that hit Venice in 1576.

"Vampires don't exist, but studies show people at the time believed they did," said Matteo Borrini, a forensic archaeologist and anthropologist at Florence University who studied the case over the last two years.

Medieval texts show the belief in vampires was fueled by the disturbing appearance of decomposing bodies, Borrini told The Associated Press by telephone.

During epidemics, mass graves were often reopened to bury fresh corpses and diggers would chance upon older bodies that were bloated, with blood seeping out of their mouth and with an inexplicable hole in the shroud used to cover their face.

"These characteristics are all tied to the decomposition of bodies," Borrini said. "But they saw a fat, dead person, full of blood and with a hole in the shroud, so they would say: 'This guy is alive, he's drinking blood and eating his shroud.'"

Modern forensic science shows the bloating is caused by a buildup of gases, while fluid seeping from the mouth is pushed up by decomposing organs, Borrini said. The shroud would have been consumed by bacteria found in the mouth area, he said.

At the time however, what passed for scientific texts taught that "shroud-eaters" were vampires who fed on the cloth and cast a spell that would spread the plague in

order to increase their ranks. To kill the undead creatures, the stake-in-the-heart method popularized by later literature was not enough: A stone or brick had to be forced into the vampire's mouth so that it would starve to death, Borrini said.

That's what is believed to have happened to the woman found on the Lazzaretto island, which was used as a quarantine zone by Venice. Aged around 60, she died of the plague during the epidemic that also claimed the life of the painter Titian.

Much later, someone jammed the brick into her mouth when the grave was reopened. Borrini said that marks and breaks left by blunt instruments on several among more than 100 skeletons found by the archaeologists show that the grave was reused in a later epidemic.

Such a reconstruction of events is plausible, as is the link to the superstitions about "shroud-eaters," said Piero Mannucci, the vice president of the Italian Society of Anthropology and Ethnology.

"Maybe a priest or a gravedigger put the brick in her mouth, which is what was normally done in such cases," Mannucci said.

The anthropologist, who did not take part in Borrini's research, said that at a time when bacteria were unknown, such superstitions

were a way for the terrified population to explain the waves of plague epidemics that killed millions during the Middle Ages.

FBI confirms probe into fights at Texas school

HOUSTON (AP) — The FBI says it is investigating allegations of civil rights violations at a Texas school for mentally disabled people where workers were allegedly videotaped watching fights between residents.

Christi State School are accused of organizing a "fight club" where mentally disabled residents of the facility fought each other for the staff's entertainment.

Friday the agency will look into whether civil rights violations occurred at the school. Corpus Christi police issued arrest warrants for the six workers on charges of injury to a disabled person.

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Large advertisement for 'We can help you!' featuring photos of experts in various fields like orthopedics, funeral arrangements, and flooring.



Utah State advances

Find out how other college teams are doing, Sports 4

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Burley battles back, splits doubleheader

By Ryan Howe
Times-News writer

RUPERT — After getting hammered 11-1 in Game 1 of Friday's season-opening doubleheader with Madison, the Burley baseball team learned a valuable lesson: Throwing strikes and trusting your defense to back you up wins games.

Burley did just that, and bounced back with a 7-4 victory in Game 2 at Minico High School.

Starting pitcher Kace Redder had just two strikeouts in Game 2, but he also only walked two. Alfonso Sanchez came on in the fifth and retired nine straight batters to end

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WATCH: A video from the Burley baseball game.



the game. Sanchez struck out two and walked none.

That pitching performance was a far cry from Game 1, where Burley gave up seven walks in 3 1-3 innings and wound up getting beat in a five-inning affair.

"We need our pitchers to throw strikes, get rid of the walks, get ground balls and let us back them up," said Burley first baseman John Cummings. "I was surprised because I thought (the Game 1

pitchers) would start off throwing good strikes, but (Madison) hit the ball really well, too."

Burley got behind the eightball early, giving up a lead-off triple to Madison's Kyle Evans, followed by a walk, and then a three-run homer by Rhett Sutton. That was the beginning of a five-run first inning.

The Bobcats didn't help their cause much by making typical early-season mistakes, such as failing to tag up on a deep fly ball, giving a bag on catcher's interference, and making the wrong infield throw in a key situation.

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Burley's Logan Ottley squares up to bunt during the first game of the Bobcats' doubleheader against Madison Friday in Rupert.

RYAN HOWE/
Times-News

CSI softball sweep



JUSTIN JACKSON/Times-News

College of Southern Idaho third baseman McKensy Hillstead watches a pitch Friday during a Golden Eagles' game against the College of Southern Nevada at Eagle Field in Twin Falls.

Golden Eagles shut down Western Nevada

By Bradley Guire
Times-News writer

A pair of shutout victories Friday started the No. 27 College of Southern Idaho softball team's four-game series against No. 13 College of Southern Nevada as the Golden Eagles defeated the Coyotes 2-0 and 8-0 at Eagle Field in Twin Falls.

Not only did CSI's Friday sweep snap the Coyotes' 13-game winning streak, it also upped the Golden Eagles' record to 22-10-2 and 15-5 in Scenic West Athletic Conference play, which is crucial this weekend as the top four teams face off against each other.

"We came out as a team, and everybody did their job," CSI

pitcher Kyla Bryant said. "This felt so good!"

Ashley Chappel opened Game 1 scoring when she drove in Megan Zimmerman, who reached third on a dropped fly ball in center field, with a sacrifice fly during the bottom of the fourth. The Golden Eagles tallied their final run of the 2-0 victory during the bottom of the sixth. With two outs on the board, Chappel singled to reach base and then scored on a triple by Brittany Gonzales.

The Golden Eagles connected for six more hits during Game 2, though Coyote errors also contributed to the 8-0 run-rule finish. Back-to-back bobbles at second

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College of Southern Idaho pitcher Kyla Bryant throws against the College of Southern Nevada Friday at Eagle Field in Twin Falls.

4 hours, 6 OTs and 244 points

Long game's journey into night ends in Syracuse win

By Dave Skreta
Associated Press writer

INSIDE

Find out how Syracuse recovered for Friday's game, along with the rest of the college hoops.

See Sports 4

NEW YORK — The freight elevator opened and Syracuse players Jonny Flynn and Paul Harris wobbled in, physically and mentally exhausted, heading for a bus to the team hotel.

Also standing there, just after 2 a.m., was Connecticut star A.J. Price, in any other place and time one of their biggest rivals. Without saying a word, the three hugged.

For nearly four hours at Madison Square Garden, their teams had waged an up-and-down, back-and-forth, six-overtime marathon in the Big East tournament. No. 18 Syracuse finally outlasted the third-ranked Huskies 127-117 in a quarterfinal that started Thursday night and ended at 1:22 a.m. Friday — the second-longest game in Division I history.

"For a second I'm just thinking, 'Lord, let's just get this game over, go home. Whoever wins, wins the game,'" Flynn said. "It was just getting near that time."

Flynn might have been

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AP photo

Syracuse's Kris Joseph, left, hugs Jonny Flynn after Flynn was fouled while shooting against Connecticut in the sixth overtime period during the Big East men's basketball tournament quarterfinals Thursday. Syracuse won 127-117.

Mickelson builds a 2-shot lead at Doral

The Associated Press

DORAL, Fla. — Phil Mickelson chipped in for another birdie and wound up with a 6-under 66 on Friday to build a two-shot lead in the CA Championship, putting him in the last group at Doral for the first time in three years.

The only difference this time will be the company he keeps.

Tiger Woods, his nemesis on the Blue Monster,

was 10 shots behind.

"It kind of (stinks)," Mickelson said. "I hope he comes out tomorrow and plays a great round and makes a move. I would love to get him back from '05. I came close in '05 and got beat, and I would love the opportunity to play head-to-head."

Mickelson was at 13-under 131 and will have to settle on Saturday for Buick Invitational winner

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AP photo

Phil Mickelson blasts out of the bunker on No. 10 Friday during the second round at the CA Championship golf tournament in Doral, Fla.

CSI baseball drops doubleheader

By David Bashore
Times-News writer

Friday's baseball doubleheader between the College of Southern Idaho and Western Nevada College was a simple exhibition of the haves and the have-nots. WNC had all the clutch plays, it seemed, while CSI had next to none.

The Scenic West Athletic Conference-leading Wildcats ensured they would stay atop the standings heading into today's action by taking a sweep of the Golden Eagles, winning the opener 6-4 and nearly blowing a six-run lead in the nightcap before escaping with a 9-8 win.

Western Nevada (14-8, 8-2 SWAC) scored all six of its runs in the first game with two outs. Six of its runs in the nightcap came in two innings — the seventh and eighth — during which CSI (9-14, 3-7) seemingly couldn't get anyone out,



MEAGAN THOMPSON/Times-News

College of Southern Idaho shortstop Tanner Craswell looks to first base after making an out but the Golden Eagles weren't able to secure the double play Friday afternoon in the second game of a doubleheader against Western Nevada College at Skip Walker Field in Twin Falls.

using four pitchers. The Golden Eagles changed pitchers four times in the final three innings of Game 2.

of options out there ... our guys coming on in relief have not done a good job for us this season," said CSI head coach Boomer Walker. "But I like the way that

(Western Nevada) competes at the plate. They don't give away any at-bats."

Outside of the eighth

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Official: Racer's conviction would be 'terrible'

MIAMI — It would be "terrible" for Penske Racing and the sport if Helio Castroneves, the popular Indy racer and "Dancing with the Stars" champion, was convicted of tax evasion, a top Penske official testified Friday.

Lawrence Bluth, Penske's general counsel, was asked Friday by prosecutor Matt Axelrod what impact a guilty verdict against the two-time Indianapolis 500 winner might have. Bluth, a prosecution witness, provided earlier testimony that could be damaging to Castroneves, who signed with Penske in late 1999.

"It would be a terrible thing to lose one of the great drivers in the world, and

probably our most popular driver," Bluth said.

"Would it be bad for business if Mr. Castroneves were to be convicted?" Axelrod asked.

"It would not be a good thing," Bluth said.

Castroneves, a 33-year-old Brazilian citizen; his sister and manager, Katiucia Castroneves, 35; and Michigan attorney Alan Miller, 71, each face more than six years behind bars if convicted of conspiracy and tax evasion charges involving some \$5.5 million. The trial ended its second week Friday.

Penske has temporarily replaced Castroneves with Australian driver Will Power on its Indy Racing League

team pending the outcome of the case. The new racing season begins April 5.

Much of the case revolves around a Panamanian entity called Seven Promotions that prosecutors say was secretly owned by Castroneves — which the driver denies — where \$5 million in Penske payments to Castroneves were originally to be deposited. Bluth testified he had no doubt that Castroneves owned Seven Promotions because "that's what Alan Miller told me."

The money never went to Panama and eventually was transferred in 2003 to a Dutch licensing firm, where it remains. But prosecutors and the IRS say Castroneves

is still liable for income tax on the entire \$5 million because he owned Seven Promotions and Penske was ready to pay it money.

More evidence on that issue came Friday from Miami banker Guido Chippy, who was involved in a 2001 mortgage taken out by Castroneves. In documents provided by Miller, Castroneves is identified as being the sole owner of a company in which the \$5 million in Penske money will be deposited.

But Chippy also acknowledged that nearly all the mortgage application information came from Miller and that he had no contact with Castroneves during the process.

"The only thing he did was sign it?" asked Castroneves attorney David Garvin.

"That's correct," Chippy said. Part of Castroneves' defense is that he focused on racing cars and relied on tax professionals and lawyers to handle his business affairs. Castroneves also won TV's "Dancing With The Stars" competition in 2007, but that's not part of his trial.

THE GLEN HAS HELUVA GOOD! RACE SPONSOR

WATKINS GLEN, N.Y. — Watkins Glen International thinks its got a heluva good title sponsor for its NASCAR Sprint Cup race.

Track officials say the dips and cheeses company

Heluva Good! will sponsor the Aug. 9 event. It will be titled the Heluva Good! Sour Cream Dips at The Glen.

Heluva Good! is headquartered in Sodus, N.Y., about an hour drive north of the track. Company officials say they wanted to promote an event in the area.

Scott Blake, senior vice president of operations for Heluva Good!, says the deal is for one year and will be evaluated at the end of the season. Terms were not released, but the value of a Sprint Cup title sponsorship can exceed \$1 million.

Track officials also say ticket prices are being reduced for grandstand seats.

— The Associated Press

St. Louis Rams release receiver Torry Holt

ST. LOUIS — The St. Louis Rams released wide receiver Torry Holt on Friday, parting ways with one of the last remaining holdovers from their "Greatest Show on Turf" glory days.

The move came three days after the Rams released offensive tackle Orlando Pace, another mainstay from the era when the Rams won their only Super Bowl and lost another on the game's final play. Both Holt and Pace are seven-time Pro Bowl selections.

Holt is 32 and Pace is 33 and combined the moves created \$14 million in salary cap space. Holt was due a \$1.25 million roster bonus on Tuesday.

Only defensive end Leonard Little and quarterback Marc Bulger remain from the team that lost the 2002 Super Bowl to the New England Patriots, and Bulger was an inactive third-string quarterback for every game that season.

The Rams are trying to get younger as they rebuild after going 2-14 in 2008 and 5-27 over the last two seasons. Since the end of last season they've named a new general manager, Billy Devaley, a new coach, Steve Spagnuolo, cut several veteran players and signed three free agents from other teams.

Still, the decision to release Holt wasn't easy, owner Chip Rosenbloom said.

"The Rams will forever be grateful for the way Torry Holt represented the Rams on the field and in the community," Rosenbloom said. "Over the past 10 seasons Torry has proven himself to be one of the finest wide receivers in league history. This is a difficult decision because Torry has meant so much to the organization."

ROLLE EXPECTS TO BE RELEASED BY RAVENS

OWINGS MILLS, Md. — The Baltimore Ravens are expected to release former Pro Bowl cornerback Samari Rolle in the next few days, the player's agent said Friday.

After Baltimore signed

free agent Domonique Foxworth, Rolle figured his playing time with the Ravens would be limited. So he asked the team to grant him his release, and the Ravens are expected to comply.

"That's our understanding," said Peter Schaffer, Rolle's agent.

CHIEFS HIRE PENDERGAST DEFENSIVE COORDINATOR

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — Clancy Pendergast, the defensive coordinator for Arizona's run to last season's Super Bowl, was hired as defensive coordinator for the Kansas City Chiefs on Friday.

Pendergast joins Chiefs head coach Todd Haley, who was the Cardinals' offensive coordinator in 2008.

While Haley and Pendergast were helping take the Cardinals to the top of the NFL last year, the Chiefs were finishing 2-14, the worst record in franchise history. Particularly miserable was a defense that finished 31st overall and managed 10 sacks, an NFL record for futility. He replaces Gunther Cunningham, who quit shortly after the end of the regular season and was named defensive coordinator at Detroit.

Pendergast had already been hired to the Chiefs' new staff, along with Gary Gibbs, who had been defensive coordinator at New Orleans.

KC CHIEFS' MACKLIN ACCUSED OF DRUNKEN DRIVING

NEWPORT NEWS, Va. — Kansas City Chiefs cornerback David Macklin was arrested Friday in Newport News on a drunken driving charge, Virginia State Police said.

State police spokeswoman Corinne Geller said Macklin was stopped around 3:30 a.m. for vehicle windows tinted beyond the limits allowed by Virginia law.

During the stop, the officer smelled an odor of alcohol, Geller said. Macklin was given a blood alcohol test and his level was above the legal limit, she said.

— The Associated Press

With interim skipper, U.S. faces Puerto Rico in WBC

MIAMI (AP) — Barry Larkin will pinch hit as manager today for the United States in the World Baseball Classic, and he says he'd be interested in a full-time job as a skipper.

"If I could get players like these guys, absolutely," Larkin said Friday following the team's workout in preparation for the start of round two.

Derek Jeter, Dustin Pedroia, Jimmy Rollins, David Wright, Chipper Jones and company will face Puerto Rico on Saturday night. The surprising Netherlands will play Venezuela in the opening game.

Larkin will fill in for U.S. manager Davey Johnson, who is in St. Petersburg to attend the wedding of his stepson and is expected to rejoin the team Sunday.

"I'm excited, but this is Davey Johnson's team," said Larkin, a 12-time All-Star shortstop whose only managerial experience was with an Italian youth squad. "Davey has a game plan. I'm going to execute the game plan."

That plan includes starting Jake Peavy, who struggled through his opening start last Saturday against Canada. The right-hander walked three and allowed two runs in three innings, throwing 58 pitches.

"They were strenuous," Peavy said. "Obviously it's March. The biggest thing is knowing where you're at and not trying to do too much. In June I'll do things differently. I'll have a better feel. But it's March for everybody. I feel as good as I can at this time of year, and I expect to do well."

Peavy said he should be able to throw 75 or 80 pitches, which could allow him to go five innings or more.

"I'm going to empty the tank for the boys," Peavy said.

Starting for the Puerto Ricans will be right-hander Javier Vazquez, who com-



AP photo

Team USA's Chipper Jones, right, celebrates with on-deck batter David Wright, and teammates Dustin Pedroia and Jimmy Rollins after Jones' three-run home run in an exhibition game in Clearwater, Fla., March 5. The U.S. takes on Puerto Rico today in the World Baseball Classic.

binated with three relievers on a six-hit shutout in their opening game against Panama.

"Obviously the United States has a much deeper lineup, and guys are All-Stars most of their careers," Vazquez said. "Even though it's spring training for us, when you're on the mound, even in spring training, you want to go out and do a good job. My job tomorrow is to try to go out there and beat the USA."

Missing from the field is the Dominican Republic, touted as a top contender to win the tournament. The Dominicans were eliminated when the Netherlands upset them twice in the first round in Puerto Rico.

"I was surprised when they beat them the first time," Jeter said. "I was shocked when they beat them the second time."

But the Americans know all too well how unpredictable the tournament can be. They were eliminated in the second round of the first WBC three years ago.

The absence of the

Dominicans eases the U.S. team's path to the finals at Dodger Stadium beginning next weekend. But first the Americans must deal with a Puerto Rican team that went 3-0 at home in the opening round, outscoring opponents 15-1 and batting .316.

The opening game of the tournament for the U.S. team was against Canada before a partisan crowd of 42,314 in Toronto. The Americans figure the opposition may be the crowd favorite again Saturday.

"I would assume so," Jeter said. "I would assume there would be a lot of Latin American fans here."

Peavy, making his fourth

World Baseball Classic start, said it's a familiar situation for the U.S. team.

"I haven't played in a WBC game where we've more fans anywhere," he said. "We need to get some Americans out and have a little U-S-A chant tomorrow."

The games will be played in the Florida Marlins' ballpark. Marlins senior vice president Claude Delorme said ticket sales have been brisk recently, and he anticipates crowds of 30,000 for the U.S.-Puerto Rico game and more than 20,000 for Venezuela and the Netherlands.



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24 miles of terror

Killer's march took 200 bullets, one hour, 11 lives

By Jay Reeves
Associated Press writer

SAMSON, Ala. — It was deathly still inside the brick home Lisa McLendon shared with her 28-year-old son, save for the flames that crackled as her body he set aflame lay on a smoldering couch under a heap of burning clothes.

Outside, Michael McLendon roared out of their shady driveway and headed toward town in a dark red Mitsubishi Eclipse. He had four guns, more than 200 rounds of ammunition and had composed hand-scribbled lists ticking off people and places he thought had it out for him.

Hell was on its way to McLendon's old hometown Tuesday. In less than an hour, he would shed enough blood across rural Alabama to become the state's most prolific killer. The peace of a warm, almost idyllic Southern afternoon was about to be shattered by the sound of gunfire.

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Bang!
Sandy Tanner looked toward her neighbor's small frame home near the corner of Pullum Street around 4 p.m. when she heard the first blast. It wasn't a firecracker, and something was wrong. The one-time truck driver headed toward the noise despite the danger, halfway between a walk and a run.

Bang! Bang!
The shots kept coming, about 15 in all, then stopped. She was already dialing 911 when a second burst of about nine more rang out. Suddenly, there was the Eclipse, kicking up dust on the narrow residential street. The driver looked straight at her.

"It was almost like looking in the devil's eyes," she recalled.
The car pulled away, and Tanner could barely grasp the carnage left on her neighbor's porch. McLendon's uncle, 55-year-old James Alford White, was dead, face down in a spreading pool of blood. McLendon's grandmother, 74-year-old Virginia White, was dead in the doorway of her adjoining trailer.

Two cousins' corpses lay near White's body. A young mother from across the street, Andrea Myers, was slumped on a porch swing where she had been chatting only moments before. At her feet was her 18-month-old daughter, Corrine Gracy, silent.

"Please, please," Tanner pleaded frantically, touching the toddler's arm as if to will her to live. It was too late.

The piercing wail of a baby snapped Tanner back into reality. The woman's other



Samson, Ala., Mayor Clay King stands in the doorway of the First Baptist Church of Samson, Wednesday. King was attending the prayer service for the victims and families that were killed in the Geneva County shootings on Tuesday.



Michael McLendon

child, 4-month-old Ella, was hurt and crying in the arms of another neighbor. In the distance, screaming sirens grew louder as they approached Pullum Street.

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The Mitsubishi zoomed into the small town of Samson with its window rolled down, a gun sticking out. With his relatives dead, McLendon was set to turn the town where he grew up and played baseball into a random shooting gallery, for a reason no one but he understands.

He struggled to keep a job over the years, but everyone who knew him said he never seemed troubled. He'd fought with relatives over a family Bible recently, and his mother had been suspended from her job at a meat and egg plant. He'd been listing co-workers who he didn't like in a notebook at home, writing that one had made him clean the meat grinder or another had reported him for not wearing ear plugs. But none of it seemed to be a clue that he'd wind up terrorizing his town.

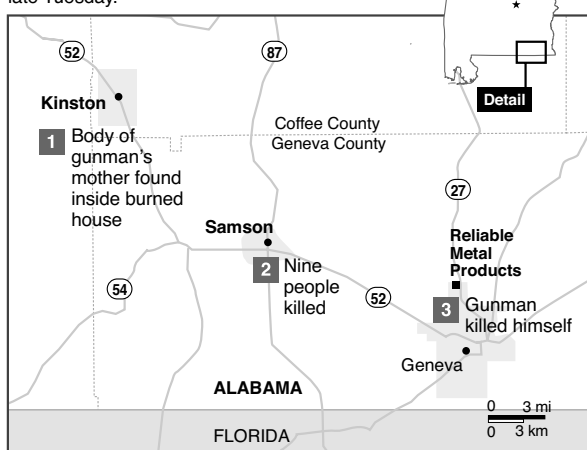
Bang!
A bullet hit discount store worker James Irvin Starling as he was walking on Wise Street to his sister-in-law's house. With the 24-year-old father of two dying along the street, McLendon turned onto Main Street, the center of life in the 2,000-strong Bible Belt community.

Everybody in town goes to the Big Little Store, and Sonja Smith, 43, had stopped by for gas. She went inside briefly and came out, walking unknowingly into McLendon's path.

Bang!

Gunman's path

Ten people and their assailant are dead following a rampage across a mostly rural area in Alabama late Tuesday.



The Mitsubishi rolled slowly through the parking lot, the driver firing rat-a-tat blasts. Smith died in the hail of lead, halfway between the front door and the gas pumps, and another man was wounded.

McLendon kept going. He drove through the heart of downtown, spraying bullets this way and that. Slugs slammed into the window of a hardware store as he drove southeast toward the town of Geneva, about 12 miles away. Bruce Malloy, the 51-year-old head of maintenance at Brooks Peanut Co., was in a vehicle on Alabama 52 when the Mitsubishi sped his way. Nearby, more ambulances and police cars were racing through town as authorities tried to figure out what was going on.

Bang!
Malloy was dead. McLendon never even stopped.

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News of what happened in Samson was spreading like a virus over the static of police radios and screaming 911 calls, and officers knew they had to stop the Mitsubishi. Geneva police came up with an idea: They'd try to use their vehicles to stop McLendon and end the rampage.

At 4:06 p.m. — 36 minutes after the fire was reported at McLendon's house — the law finally caught up with the Mitsubishi on Alabama 52

between Samson and Geneva, a town of about 5,000 people dotted with small manufacturing plants and surrounded by farmland and scrub forest.

Stunned onlookers heard a barrage of gunfire, screeching tires and revving engines right in front of the town's Wal-Mart store as McLendon blew through with his foot to the floor, one hand on the wheel and another on a gun.

Bang! Bang! Bang! Bang!
McLendon fired once at State Trooper Mike Gillis, then again and again. Glass whizzed through his patrol car, struck the vehicle with a thud seven times. Gillis kept speeding, his sights locked firmly on McLendon. A second officer was hurt by flying glass when bullets cut through his car, and Geneva Police Chief Frankie Lindsey took a bullet to the shoulder.

The car veered into the Reliable Products plant's parking lot. There was more shooting, this time between McLendon, a Geneva County sheriff's deputy and a state game officer who followed him to the plant where he had once worked. He walked inside one last time, and would never leave again.

After 24 miles, with 10 people dead and more than 200 rounds fired, McLendon saved one last bullet for himself.

Bang!
Then it was quiet.



In this June 20, 2007, file photo, people wait in line outside the U.S. Passport Office in downtown Washington. Using phony documents and the identities of a dead man and a 5-year-old boy, a government investigator obtained U.S. passports in a test of post-9/11 security.

Reforms don't stop passport fakery

WASHINGTON (AP) — Using phony documents and the identities of a dead man and a 5-year-old boy, a government investigator obtained U.S. passports in a test of post-9/11 security. Despite efforts to boost passport security since the 2001 terror attacks, the investigator fooled passport and postal service employees four out of four times, according to a new report made public Friday.

The report by the Government Accountability Office, Congress' investigative arm, details the ruses:

- One investigator used the Social Security number of a man who died in 1965, a fake New York birth certificate and a fake Florida driver's license. He received a passport four days later.

- A second attempt had the investigator using a 5-year-old boy's information but identifying himself as 53 years old on the passport application. He received that passport seven days later.

- In another test, an investigator used fake documents to get a genuine Washington, D.C., identi-

fication card, which he then used to apply for a passport. He received it the same day.

- A fourth investigator used a fake New York birth certificate and a fake West Virginia driver's license and got the passport eight days later.

Criminals and terrorists place a high value on illegally obtained travel documents, U.S. intelligence officials have said. Currently, poorly faked passports are sold on the black market for \$300, while top-notch fakes go for around \$5,000, according to Immigration and Customs Enforcement investigations.

The State Department has known about this vulnerability for years. On February 26, the State Department's deputy assistant secretary of passport services issued a memo to Passport Services directors across the country stating that the agency is reviewing its processes for issuing passports because of "recent events regarding several passport applications that were approved and issued in error."

AG: Anna Nicole Smith's boyfriend was 'enabler'

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Anna Nicole Smith's lawyer-turned-boyfriend was the principal enabler in a conspiracy with two doctors to provide the "known addict" thousands of prescription pills in the months before she died of an overdose, California Attorney General Jerry Brown said Friday.

Howard K. Stern and Drs. Kristine Eroshevich and Sandeep Kapoor were charged by Los Angeles County prosecutors after a two-year probe by the attorney general, state medical and insurance officials and the Drug Enforcement Administration.

"What we have in this case is a conspiracy among

three individuals," Brown told a news conference. "Howard K Stern is the principal enabler, and Dr. Eroshevich and Dr. Kapoor are prescribing drugs excessively to a known addict and using false and fictitious names, all in violation of the law and all in furtherance of a conspiracy."

In addition to conspiracy, the charges filed Thursday include unlawfully prescribing a controlled substance and prescribing, administering or dispensing a controlled substance to an addict. Stern faces six felony counts and the doctors face seven each. Each count carries a potential sentence of three years, Brown said.



Smith

AROUND THE WORLD

SWITZERLAND Government changes policy on tax evasion

BERN, Switzerland — The Swiss government said Friday it would cooperate on cases of international tax evasion, breaking with a long-standing tradition of protecting wealthy foreigners accused of hiding billions of dollars in the Alpine nation.

The government insisted it would hold onto its cherished banking secrecy rules, but said other countries could now expect Swiss cooperation in cases where they provide compelling evidence of tax evasion.

"We want assistance to be restricted to individual cases to prevent fishing expeditions," President Hans-Rudolf Merz told a news

conference, referring to the practice of seeking information about many individuals in the hope of discovering a few tax evaders.

A number of countries are hoping to avoid being blacklisted by world powers when they meet in April to discuss stepping up their fight against tax cheats.

Austria and Luxembourg also said Friday they would step up cooperation on tax probes. But the greatest pressure has been on Switzerland, which is embroiled in a dispute with the United States over wealthy Americans that have stashed money in its biggest bank, UBS AG.

Swiss authorities have provided the U.S. with the bank details of up to 300 wealthy Americans suspected of tax fraud, but refuse to identify about 50,000 more

U.S. account holders Washington wants.

The bank, and the government, have said further cooperation would violate Swiss law, which makes an unclear distinction between the serious crime of tax fraud and the minor offense of tax evasion.

MINNESOTA Judges begin deliberations in Minn. Senate battle

ST. PAUL — Judges began deliberating Friday in the dispute over Minnesota's vacant Senate seat, where they must decide if Republican Norm Coleman proved there were enough flaws in the election and a recount to invalidate Democrat Al Franken's 225-

vote recount win.

Attorneys for both candidates delivered closing arguments earlier Friday, capping a seven-week trial that painstakingly dissected the closest Senate election in American history.

Franken lawyer Kevin Hamilton argued that Coleman, a former senator, had failed to offer enough evidence to enable him to overcome his Democratic challenger's lead.

"Their failure of proof is simply breathtaking," Hamilton said.

ARKANSAS 10 drink windshield wiper fluid at day care

LITTLE ROCK, Ark. — Ten children at an Arkansas day-care center drank windshield wiper fluid after the

owner served it from a container mistaken for Kool-Aid and placed in a refrigerator, authorities said Friday.

The day-care owner voluntarily surrendered her state license Friday.

Doctors estimate the children, ages 2 to 7, drank about an ounce of the blue fluid late Thursday afternoon before realizing it tasted wrong, said Laura James, a pediatric pharmacologist and toxicologist at Arkansas Children's Hospital in Little Rock.

Only one child remained hospitalized Friday in good condition, after blood samples showed "measurable levels" of methanol, a highly toxic alcohol that can induce comas and cause blindness, officials said. In moderate cases, it can cause nausea, vomiting, staggering and sleepiness, James said.

The day care also provided

the fluid for testing.

NEW YORK Catholic dioceses still paying for clergy misdeeds

NEW YORK — The price for failing to rein in predatory clergy keeps rising for the U.S. Roman Catholic Church.

The church has paid more than \$2.6 billion in settlements and related expenses since 1950, according to an annual report released Friday by the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops.

The costs to dioceses and religious orders dropped in 2008 by 29 percent, to about \$436 million. But 2007 was an unusually high year.

— The Associated Press

COMMUNITY

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COMMUNITY NEWS

Veterans officer comes to Burley

Milt Smith, the state veterans service officer from Boise, will be at the Burley veterans office at the Burley airport on Thursday.

Call Dick Dalton, 678-3599 (office) or 878-2565 (home) for appointments. Leave a message with your name and phone number and he will call back.

Scholarships available to M-C seniors

Two scholarships in the amount of \$1,000 each will be awarded in May to a graduating senior boy and girl from a Cassia or Minidoka County school.

The scholarships will be awarded based on scholastic ability, character and need, with the emphasis on need.

The scholarships will continue for four years, at \$1,000 per year, as long as the recipient remains enrolled continuously in an accredited university, college or vocational school and maintains a minimum grade-point average of 2.5.

The source of the scholarship funds is the Estate of Lucille Cunliffe McCaslin and Earl McCaslin.

Applications are available from the school counselors at Minico, Burley, Oakley, Declo and Raft River High Schools. Applications must be received by April 10.

Burley church hosts Tex-Mex night

Come to the heart of the Southwest for Tex-Mex night, from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m., March 21, at St. Teresa's Little Flower Catholic Church, 1601 Oakley Ave., Burley.

Price is adults, \$6.50; children, \$3 and includes main course, dessert and drinks.

BJ Bridge Club winners

The BJ Duplicate Bridge Club in Rupert has announced the results of Tuesday play.

North-South: 1. Nanette Woodland and Vera Mai, 2. Warren and Faun McEntire, 3. Jackie Brown and Dot Creason, 4. Barbara Carney and Eunice Merrigan.

East-West: 1. Mildred Wolf and Sheila Hubsmith, 2. Peggy Payne and Dona Kunau, 3. Leo Moore and Dee Keicher, 4. Marlene Temple and Shirley Harris.

Games are held at 1 p.m. Tuesdays at the Rupert Elks. For partners and more information: Steve Sams, 878-3997 or Vera Mail, 436-4163.

Burley library has new books and videos

New Items at the Burley Public Library include:

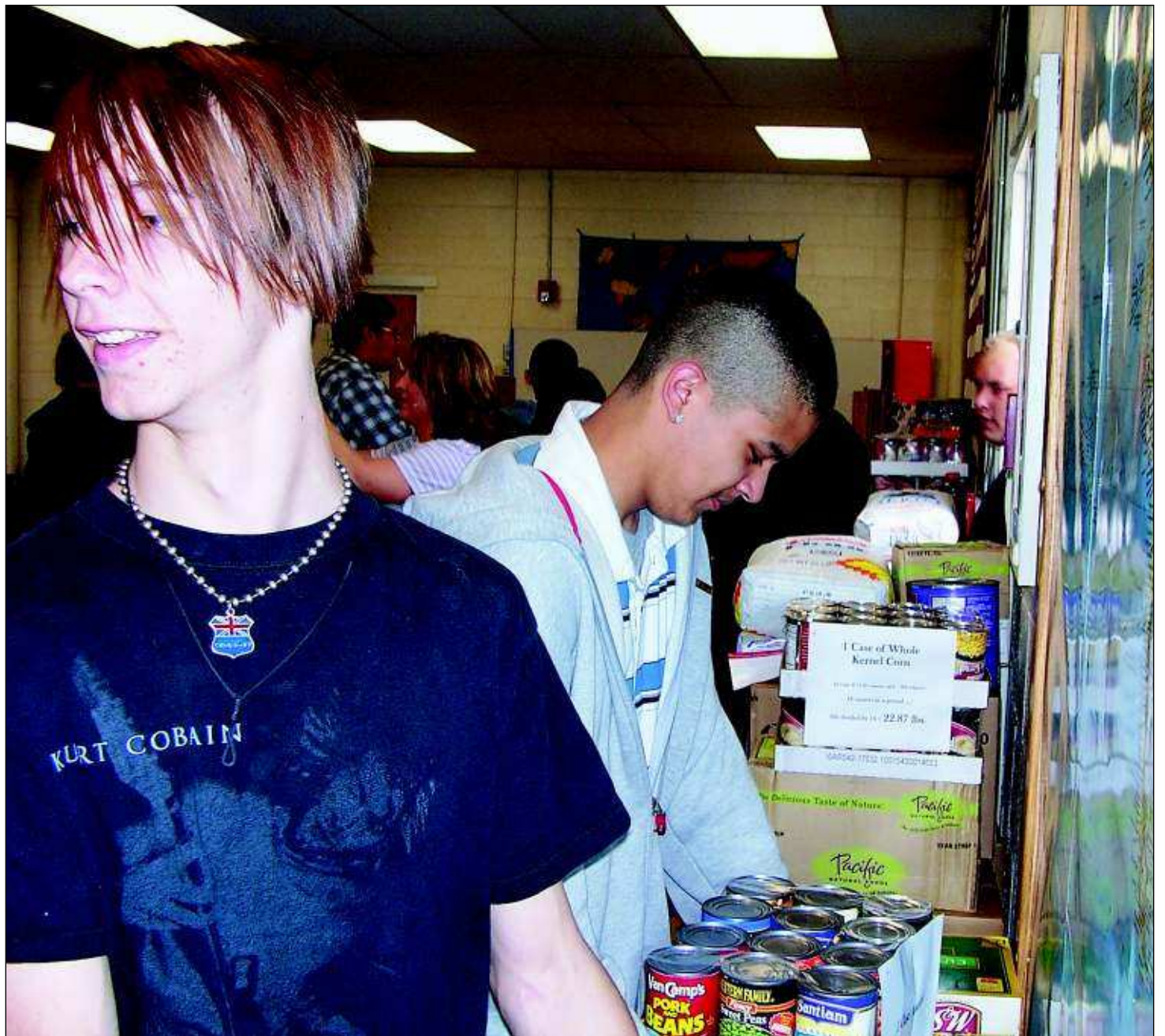
DVDs
"Oliver and Company," "The Secret Life of Bees," "The Wedding Date," "The Librarian: Quest for the Spear," "Stardust," "Disturbia."

Adult fiction
"Cross Country" by James Patterson, "The Associate" by John Grisham, "Above and Beyond" by Betsy Brannon Green, "Murder Inside the Beltway" by Margaret Truman, "Mounting Fears" by Stuart Woods, "Don't Cry Wolf" by Clair M. Poulson.

Adult nonfiction
"Flat Belly Diet" by Liz Vaccariello, "Dreams from My Father" by Barack Obama, "Aurora: An American Experience in Quilt, Community, and Craft" by Jane Kirkpatrick, "Change We Can Believe In" by Barack Obama.

Young adult
"Artemis Fowl: The Time Paradox" by Eoin Colfer, "Ink Exchange" by Melissa Marr, "Bound" by Donna Jo Napoli, "Vampire High" by Douglas Rees, "Charles and Emma" by Deborah Heiligman.

-staff reports



Courtesy photo

Students at Cassia Alternative High School in Burley pack food they collected during last year's food drive.

Students hope to collect 3,000 pounds of food

By Judy Albertson
Times-News writer

BURLEY — The students at Cassia Alternative High School will conduct a food drive through March.

The school began the project last year, collecting 2,500 pounds of food. The Idaho Food

Bank was so impressed with the effort that representatives came to Burley and presented the school with a plaque, which is now on display at the school.

"The students have set this year's goal at 3,000 pounds," said teacher Julie Nannenga.

All nonperishable food items will be accepted. Proceeds will

benefit Burley and Rupert food banks, Nannenga said. A community-wide food collection day is planned for March 27.

Informational flyers will be posted in area businesses and details will be published before the event. Collection boxes will be placed in area stores.

"The students will go out and

collect food within the community. They will drop off grocery bags the night before then pick them up Friday morning," Nannenga said.

To support the food drive, bring donations to the Cassia Alternative High School, 1010 W. 17th St., Burley, or call 878-6690 for information.

Veterans will get a cost-of-living boost

With inflation running at a rate of 5.6 percent a year, military retirees and disabled veterans are getting a 5.8 percent cost-of-living pay increase while active duty service members and reservists are getting a 3.9 percent increase.

Although current service members may feel cheated, there's really nothing wrong with this picture.

The two annual increases became set for the end of the year after two events that came just days apart: Former President George W. Bush signed the 2009 Defense Authorization Act on Oct. 14 that includes the 3.9 percent pay increase and Bureau of Labor Statistics survey results allowed the calculation of the automatic cost-of-living adjustment in military and federal civilian retired pay, military survivor benefits and Social Security.

The Defense Authorization Act amount that would have been 3.4 percent if

VETERANS CORNER George Schwindeman

Congress had not backed a larger increase than the White House originally proposed. The 3.9 percent military raise, which applies to basic pay and drill pay, took effect Jan. 1 and appeared in mid-January pay checks.

The 5.8 percent retiree COLA (cost of living allowance) is based on a comparison of consumer prices in the third quarter of the fiscal year, which ends in September, to the third quarter of the previous fiscal year.

Veterans disability pay, dependency and indemnity compensation for survivors, and pensions for low-income veterans don't automatically increase each year, but Congress traditionally orders that these veterans benefits increase by the same amount. The 5.8 percent increase takes effect Dec. 1 and first appears in Jan. 1 checks.

George Schwindeman is a veteran who lives in Rupert.

Bouch celebrates 90th birthday

William Francis (Bill) Bouch, a former resident of Rupert, will be honored for his 90th birthday at his home in Los Gatos, Calif.

Bouch was born on April 1, 1919, in Rupert.

As a student at Rupert High School, he was a star member of the Pirates' varsity football team. Upon graduation from high school in 1937, he attended the University of Idaho at Moscow. He married Phyllis Arnold on Aug. 14, 1942.

Bouch served in North Africa with the U.S. 1st Armored Division as a tank maintenance officer and was injured at Monte Cassino, Italy. He was discharged from the Army in 1945.

The Bouches kept their association with Rupert through moves to Pocatello, San Francisco and Los Gatos.

The celebration will be hosted by his four sons, John, William, Stephen and Dennis, and two daughters, Nancy and Ann Marie. The couple has eight grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren, with the 15th due in June.

Rupert Mayor Paul Fries will sign and send a proclamation congratulating Bouch on his birthday on behalf of the city.



Bouch

Many things could cause your nose to get cold

DEAR DR. GOTT: Do you have any idea why my nose gets very cold on occasion? It doesn't happen all the time, but when it does, it's really cold.

DEAR READER: There are several possibilities. One is the weather, since the nose is most often unprotected when we are out of doors. Then there's the possibility of a viral



ASK DR. GOTT
Dr. Peter Gott

respiratory-tract infection, Raynaud's (a disorder of the small blood vessels

associated with poor circulation), hypothyroidism (reduced functioning of the thyroid), the natural aging process and more.

Return to your physician to request a simple blood test for hypothyroidism. Perhaps you have a low-grade viral infection or symptoms of Raynaud's. Discuss what might appear to be mild, unrelated

symptoms and work together to get to the bottom of your problem.

To give you related information, I am sending you a copy of my new Health Report "Thyroid Disorders." Other readers who would like a copy should send a self-addressed, stamped, No. 10 envelope and a check or money order for \$2 to

Newsletter, PO Box 167, Wickliffe, OH 44092. Be sure to mention the title.

DEAR DR. GOTT: My question is about papillomas. I am a 76-year-old female and understand they are not dangerous to my health. However, they are annoying, itchy and scaly. Is there any method by which I can remove them myself, instead of

having them surgically removed by a doctor? I've had many removed over the years, but they always come back after a short period of time.

DEAR READER: Papillomas are tumors of the skin and mucosal membranes that have been changed in composition or

See DR. GOTT, Sports 8

What do I need to do to become a cop?

Q: I have a lot of respect for police officers and have thought it would be a fun job. What do you need to do to be a police officer?

A: The first thing to being a good police officer is that you must have a great sense of humor. A sense of humor is what it takes in law enforcement to get by the stressful and not-so-stressful days.

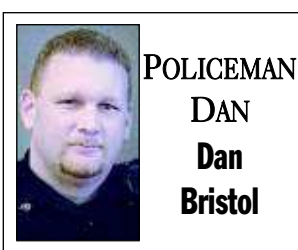
Humor shows that officers are human and not machines. An officer who is all business and can't stop to laugh every once in awhile is not, in my opinion, the best officer he or she could be. Humor for me has made some arrests even more worthwhile because the arrestee felt comfortable enough to give me information that created other arrests.

The next thing is you need to be free of any felony charges and some misdemeanor ones. A felony on your record means that the dream of being a law enforcement officer is over forever. A misdemeanor means that you could be an officer but if you had, for example, a domestic violence conviction you would not be able to be an officer or carry a gun.

A police officer must be at least 21 years of age by the time they get out on patrol. An officer can be hired at 20 but needs to have been out of high school for at least two years.

The last thing to tell about what it takes to be a police officer is that an officer must be able to: think on his or her feet; deal with long, strenuous hours of work; be able to settle disputes so both parties think they've won; write reports until your eyes ache and be a financial genius to figure out how to feed a family on a police officer's salary.

Q: I was stopped and cited because my plates on my car came back to another car that I thought I had transferred the registration to. Could I fight the ticket if I could prove that Department of Motor



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Vehicles) messed up in transferring my registration?

A: You can always fight the ticket. That is a right you have when charged with a traffic violation.

If the DMV did forget to transfer your registration to your new car then chances are that the ticket would be dismissed. The trick to proving the registration did not get transferred is to show that you had transferred it prior to getting the ticket.

You can't get it transferred after the ticket and then try to use that as proof. If you did, you could be charged with contempt of court and turn your day in court into an expensive day in court when the judge charges you with contempt and fines you for your troubles.

I am assuming too that when you transferred the registration you looked at it to see that it was correct and then signed it, which you have to do anyway. Signing the registration is needed to make the registration valid. Signing the registration also means that you will keep insurance on the car as prescribed by law.

Officer down

Please put these officers, killed in the line of duty, and their families in your prayers. God bless them all.

- Agent Paul M. Sorce, FBI
- Lt. Stuart Alexander, Corpus Christi Police, Texas

Be safe, I'll talk to you next week. E-mail your questions to policeman-dan@yahoo.com.

Dan Bristol is the Heyburn chief of police.

STUDENTS OF THE MONTH



Courtesy photo

St. Nicholas School in Rupert presented the Student of the Month Awards for March. Pictured from left, back row, John, Ana, Colton, Brock; front row, Kaden, Jerrin, Luka, Karissia, Kayla, Joey.

Dr. Gott

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structure by the human papillomavirus (HPV). Most skin lesions are benign; however, mucosal lesions can be pre-malignant. Because your physician indicated the papillomas removed in the past were not dangerous to your health, I surmise he or she sent one or more of them out for laboratory analysis to verify the diagnosis.

Skin papillomas are caused by 130 different types of HPV. Patients with suppressed immune systems have an increased risk of developing papillomas and may actually carry several types of HPV. Perhaps this is the reason they continue to grow back again and again. You should undergo HPV testing and speak with your physician for his views.

In answer to your question, there are several methods of treatment, but all involve the services of a physician. Tumors that aren't bothersome can be

ignored. For those on a belt line, shoulder-strap area or other location subject to irritation, steroid injections can help. Liposuction can be used for those located in an area where a scar is of concern. On the negative side, it is often difficult to remove a complete tumor with liposuction, and steroid injections generally do not eradicate the tumor completely. Thus, it appears your options are somewhat limited.

Return to your physician for his impression on why your lesions continue to return, despite his surgical removal. Perhaps a referral for a second opinion is in line.

Peter Gott is a retired physician and the author of the book "Dr. Gott's No Flour, No Sugar Diet," available at most chain and independent bookstores, and the recently published "Dr. Gott's No Flour, No Sugar Cookbook."

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Serving as their 'brother's keeper'

Hansen church gives away free clothing today

By Andrew Weeks
Times-News writer

Clothing rested on tables, hung from racks and sat in unopened bags on the wooden floor of the small room that during the week serves as a Community Center and on Sundays as the meeting place of the Hansen Baptist Fellowship Church.

"I'd say there must be at least a thousand items, don't you?" Eileen Pyron said Thursday morning, as she looked around the room.

There might have been more.

There were still nearly 30 bags — maybe more, tucked

CLOTHING GIVEAWAY

Today from 9 a.m.-4 p.m. at the Hansen Baptist Fellowship — in the Hansen Community Center, 340 W. Main St. in Hansen. The next time the church will distribute free clothing will be 9 a.m.-4 p.m. April 18, and then again on May 16. The clothing is meant for individuals and families in need.

beneath a pile on the floor — that Eileen would have to go through before the bags' contents would be included

on the tables and racks.

Some of the items were baby blankets.

Eileen was preparing for today, when from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. individuals and families in need may visit the location to select free blankets, linen and clothing for men, women and children. There will also be some baby items.

"It's basically a store of free clothing," Eileen said.

The store is set up in the Hansen Community Center, the same place members of the three-year-old church Eileen and her husband Bill helped found meet every Sunday.

Five items are allowed per



ANDREW WEEKS/Times-News

Eileen Pyron unpacks bags of clothing Thursday morning at the Hansen Community Center, the same place the three-year-old Hansen Baptist Fellowship Church meets on Sundays. Today, the church will be giving away the clothing — for men, women and children — to needy individuals and families.

person, Eileen said. Consideration will be given to people who might need more, she said. The effort to collect the items began more

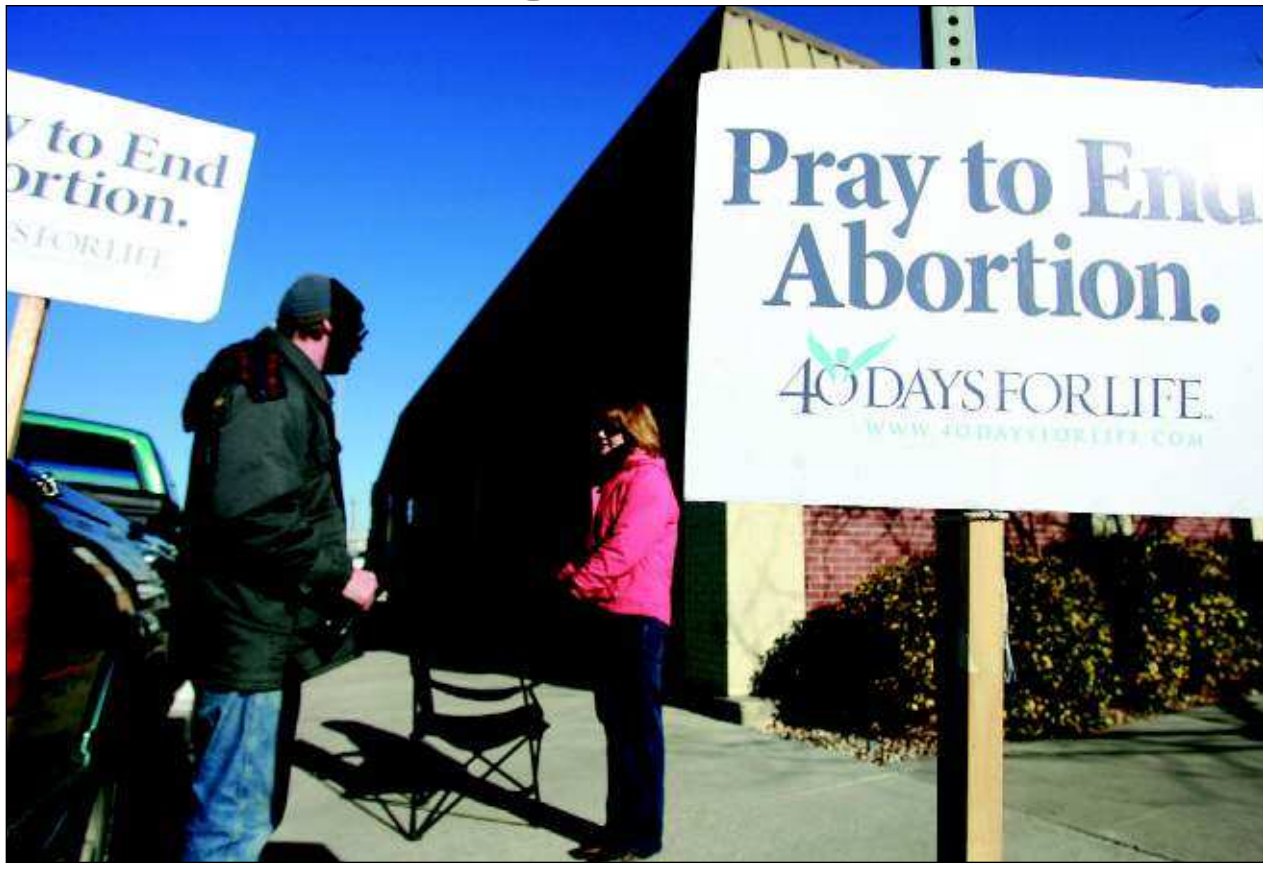
than three months ago. For the most part, Eileen said, accomplishing the task came easily due to the generosity of area residents who donat-

ed to the cause.

The Pyrons at first thought about distributing

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Area church members hold vigil at clinic



ASHLEY SMITH/Times-News

Pat Gregory and Patty Dyson, both of Twin Falls, hold a vigil, which is part of the 40 Days for Life campaign, outside of Planned Parenthood Friday in downtown Twin Falls.

Outreach is part of pro-life initiative

By Andrew Weeks
Times-News writer

A handful of people have gathered in front of Planned Parenthood in Twin Falls since Feb. 25 as part of what they call an international, non-denominational effort to stand up for the unborn.

The group was still there Thursday — and will be from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. until April 5 — with their signs, as well as cards to hand out to passers-by.

Pat Gregory, who stood outside the Twin Falls facility, said he believes the movement is accomplishing its goal — to help people who've considered abortion to think otherwise. Locally, he said, at least one couple has decided against it.

"We're praying for change to come to the hearts and minds of people about abortion," the Twin Falls man Gregory said.

The 40 Days for Life campaign has religious significance, according to a news release about the event. It is described as an "intensive pro-life initiative that focuses on 40 days

FOR MORE INFORMATION

<http://www.40daysforlife.com/twinfalls>
<http://www.plannedparent-hood.org>

of prayer and fasting, 40 days of peaceful vigil at abortion facilities, and 40 days of grassroots educational outreach.

"The 40-day timeframe is drawn from examples throughout biblical history where God brought about world-changing transformation in 40-day periods."

Oscar Sanchez, who, like Gregory attends St. Edwards Catholic Church in Twin Falls, said he believes a number of Hispanic couples consider abortion and he's trying to better educate them about other options, such as adoption.

The group's effort is not so much a protest as it is a vigil with fasting and prayer, Jackie Wakefield, an organizer of the local effort, told the *Times-News*.

"Those present have had random people stop and pray with them, give them words or acts of encouragement from their vehicles," Wakefield said in an e-mail. "This vigil is taking place in about 130 cities in the U.S., Canada, Australia and Northern Ireland. ... One recent e-mail from the national headquarters stated that 93 babies had been saved so far through the efforts. Here in Twin Falls we know that one couple went from Planned Parenthood after seeking abortion information to the Pregnancy Crisis Center.

"With all the pro-abortion actions taken by President Obama in his first 50 days in office, this is certainly an issue at the front of U.S. culture."

The group said most of the interaction with people on the streets has been non-confrontational.

"Some have said they don't agree with us, but that's about it," Gregory said.

The clinic respects the group's First Amendment rights, Brian Cutler, com-

munications director of Planned Parenthood of the Great Northwest, said Friday.

"But we have rights too," he said. "And when it comes to them protesting, we do more every day to prevent unintended pregnancies through family planning, thus reducing the need for abortions, than they do with their 40 days."

Cutler, speaking from his Seattle office, said the nationwide vigil has been peaceful but some visitors to clinics might feel harassed by the information the group gives out against abortion. Visitors to the clinics visit for a variety of reasons, not just for abortions, he said.

Planned Parenthood offers counseling, pap tests, birth control, and testicle cancer screening.

"Abortions are a very small part of what we do," Cutler said. "And no one cheers louder when the abortion rate goes down."

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Atheist groups finance 'Beware of Dogma' billboard in Boise

The Associated Press

BOISE — The Freedom From Religion Foundation and four local secular groups have posted a controversial billboard in Boise that reads "Beware of Dogma."

The billboard campaign is national, according to the foundation. The Freedom From Religion Foundation calls itself the largest national association of atheists and agnostics. The billboard on Fairview Avenue east of Maple Grove Street will stay up for about two months.

Four local groups helped raise funds for the billboard: The Humanists of Idaho, the Boise State Secular Student Alliance, the Non-Theist Meetup group and Social Idaho Atheists.

"Our intent is to reach out to other nontheists in the area and show they're not alone," Boise State Secular Student Alliance President Lloyd Lowe said.

Lowe, 26, is a second-year electrical engineering student.

Idaho Values Alliance director Bryan Fischer said the billboard "butchers" the U.S. Constitution.

The Constitution guarantees freedom of religion, not freedom from religion, Fischer said in a press release.

"Ironically we actually agree with the slogan, but we think the dogma Americans need to be aware of is the dogma of secular fundamentalism, which is at odds with the world view of the Founders," Fischer said.

But Lowe said the Constitution does guarantee freedom from religion.

"The freedom from religion goes hand-in-hand with the freedom of religion," Lowe said. "You can't have one without the other. Many of (the founding fathers) were not Christians and had many

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Christians optimistic but disappointed in President Obama

By Eric Gorski
Associated Press writer

Conservative evangelical and Catholic leaders who went out on a political limb by aligning themselves with the Obama administration are expressing feelings ranging from disappointment to optimism in their reaction to the president's decisions so far on culture war issues.

Although most of President Barack Obama's moves on abortion and stem cell research have been expected, some right-leaning Christian leaders who took a risk sitting down at the table with a Democratic president feel that several

major decisions fall short of the common ground Obama had promised on divisive social issues.

Obama's reversal this week of Bush-era restrictions on federal funding for embryonic stem cell research is the latest example.

"Thus far, I have been disappointed to see little give. There's been a lot of take," said the Rev. Frank Page, a former president of the Southern Baptist Convention who serves on a month-old advisory board to Obama's White House Office of Faith-Based and Neighborhood

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Obama

Speak Up for Morality conference scheduled in M-C

The Mini-Cassia Ministerial Association is organizing a Speak Up for Morality conference to educate, encourage and renew the concept of making decisions based on the absolute moral authority of Almighty God.

The event, for anyone 11 years and older, will be held March 27-28 at Minico High, 292 W. 100 S. in Rupert.

Corruption in politics, the financial crisis, 50 million abortions, denigration of the concept of mar-

riage, the homosexual movement and evolution being taught to children in schools are all part of man usurping God's moral authority, the association says.

The Alliance Defense Fund's Jeffery Ventrella, vice president of strategic training of allied attorneys, will discuss at a Legal Issues Luncheon the law with respect to Bible, prayer and Christianity in public schools. Also on the agenda for discussion are the law and church leadership's rights and concerns

with preaching the truth from their pulpits (www.alliancedefensefund.org).

Answers in Genesis's Dr. Tommy Mitchell will be presenting six lectures that will expose the foundation of Darwinian Theory of evolution and the consequences it has had on society.

This series of six lectures will also give evidence and argument for accepting the biblical account of creation and the societal benefits of conducting one's life

according to the divine plan and scriptural morality (www.AnswersinGenesis.org).

The AiG lectures at Minico High School are free. The luncheon is 'no host' and reservations are required.

Tickets can be purchased at the Burley Inn front desk or by calling 208-678-3501. The deadline for ticket purchase is March 25.

For more information: 208-219-0980 or www.answersingenesis.org/gorupert.

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food, but when they found out others were already doing that they decided to collect clothing.

"The Lord worked it all out," Eileen said, noting that she and her husband still find time to help the Idaho Food Bank by delivering about 14 boxes of food to local shut-ins every month.

"When you start working for the Lord, you can't quit," she said, teary-eyed. "He gives you more and more to do. ... We're just trying to help the community."

The Pyrons are grateful for the workload, saying that many families in Hansen and surrounding areas struggle with low incomes and could use the assistance.

"This is a service to the community. It has nothing to do with coming to church," Eileen said, explaining that helping others is another way to serve the Lord.

Bill added: "It gives us a good feeling to know we're doing God's work and helping others."

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WANT TO HELP?

Hansen Baptist Fellowship — founded in April 2006 and meets at the Community Center, 340 W. Main St. in Hansen — is a small congregation comprising about 18 members.

Besides offering free clothing to area families, the church hosts an English as a second language class every Sunday. About five children and nine adults currently attend the class, which also is held at the Community Center.

Because they expect the class to grow, co-founders of the church Bill and Eileen Pyron are seeking volunteers. They also would like more help with the distribution of clothing, which will take place the second Saturday of each month.

Volunteers need not be members of the church; members of any faith are welcome to help out, Bill Pyron said. For more information about the church, to donate clothing or to volunteer: Bill or Eileen at 423-6937.



ANDREW WEEKS/Times-News

A table filled with clothes, some of the items to be given away today, at the meeting place of the Hansen Baptist Fellowship Church.

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harsh things to say about Christianity?"

The billboard message uses a stained-glass window motif and includes the Freedom From Religion Foundation's name and

Web site address, ffrf.org.

The Freedom From Religion Foundation launched a national billboard campaign in late 2007, taking its religion-free messages state-by-state. The Foundation has

placed 27 billboards in 15 states so far, including California, Oregon and Washington.

Other Foundation billboard messages include the slogans "Imagine No Religion" and "Keep

Religion OUT of Politics." Another Foundation billboard refers to Charles Darwin in the bicentennial year of his birth, bearing his image and saying "Praise Darwin: Evolve Beyond Belief."

CHURCH NEWS

Jubilee celebrates 2nd anniversary

The Magic Valley Jubilee will celebrate its second anniversary with a "Tribute to the Oldies" community concert at 7 p.m. today in the auditorium at O'Leary Junior High School on the corner of Eastland Drive and Elizabeth Boulevard.

The concert features local vocalists and musicians performing songs from the 1950s and '60s.

The public is invited; admission is free. Information about the concert or the Jubilee's radio show: 734-9436.

Immanuel Lutheran announces services

Immanuel Lutheran Church, 2055 Filer Ave. E., will have a contemporary service at 8:30 a.m. and traditional service at 10:30 a.m. Sunday. Sunday school starts at 9:30 a.m.

A Wednesday night service begins at 7 p.m. Soup suppers will be "Crock Luck" by the adult Sunday school classes this week, chili by the youth on March 25 and soup to be decided on April 1 by the board of education.

Information: 733-7820 or immanueltf.org.

Worship features trombone quartet

A trombone quartet will perform during worship at 10 a.m. Sunday at the First Presbyterian Church, 209 Fifth Ave. N. in Twin Falls.

George Halsell, Melanie Halsell, Jerry Green and Al Devries will perform a setting of "Achieved is the Glorious Work" by Haydn.

Fellowship will follow. Everyone is welcome.

Information: www.twinfallsfpc.org or 733-7023.

Unitarian Universalists host Heather Starr

The Magic Valley Unitarian Universalist Fellowship will host "The Faith Line" by the Rev. Heather Starr at 10 a.m. Sunday at the Step Ahead Learning Center, 273 Shoup Ave. W. in Twin Falls.

Discussion will help participants use religion in their lives and world for the greater good rather than getting tangled up in who's right and who's wrong.

Starr is a visiting minister from the UU Fellowship of Central Oregon in Bend, Ore. She began her path to ministry in 2002, completed a yearlong chaplaincy at the Providence Hospital in Portland, Ore., then completed a Master of Divinity

degree at the Starr King School of Ministry in Berkeley in 2006. Her internship included the First Unitarian Church of Duluth and the Mesabi UU Church of Virginia, Minn. She is a poet and writer and was a program manager at the Kelly Writers House. She earned an undergraduate degree at Barnard College of Columbia University and was ordained by the UU Fellowship of Central Oregon in Bend, where she serves as minister.

Information: 734-6552 or contact@muvuu.org.

Methodists hold baptism Sunday

The children of Ndabcekure Sostene of Tanzania, Africa, and Nshirimana Maria of Burundi, Africa, will be baptized during worship at 11 a.m. Sunday at the First United Methodist Church, 360 Shoshone St. E. in Twin Falls.

Their daughter, Shukurni Restuta, was born in Africa and their son was born in February in Twin Falls. He was named Shukurni (meaning "gift from God" in Swahili) Peace (because in America, one can safely sleep in peace) Anderson (because the boy is an American citizen and Anderson is a "good American name").

Each person attending is asked to bring a card with a blessing or favorite Bible verse written on it. A light lunch will be served after worship.

A rewarding and fulfilling ministry will be offered to those willing to take Holy Communion to persons who are homebound and are unable to receive the sacrament at the church. Pastor Phillip Airhart will offer an instruction session at 7 p.m. Wednesday in the Barbara Schmitz Memorial Library. Interested in this ministry: call 733-5872.

Devore instructs two-part series

Lighthouse Christian Fellowship, 960 Eastland Drive N. in Twin Falls, will host a two-part series, "Where Christianity Meets Culture" by Bryan Devore at 6 p.m. today and March 22.

Everyone is welcome. Admission is free, and child care will be provided. Information: 737-4667.

The Times-News welcomes news of church events. Send information to Ellen Thomason at ellen@gmagicvalley.com. Deadline is 5 p.m. Wednesday for publication on the Saturday religion page.

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Partnerships. "I've seen little give in the area of relating to the evangelical community as far as life issues."

Others point out that Obama is, after all, a Democrat and supporter of keeping abortion legal — and he has promised to proceed with caution on stem cells.

Obama "is not doing anything he hasn't said he was going to do during the campaign," said the Rev. Joel Hunter, an evangelical megachurch pastor from Orlando, Fla., and another advisory board member. "So I am not enthusiastic, but I'm not disappointed, because we knew what to expect. I'm encouraged he is not totally flipping to the other side. We've got to be patient here."

One of the four main priorities of Obama's faith-based office is to find ways to reduce the abortion rate, an attempt at common ground. But shortly after taking office, Obama lifted restrictions on federal funding of international family planning groups that perform abortions or provide information about the procedure.

Then in late February, the administration said it would rescind broad protections put in place in the waning days of the Bush

administration for health workers who refuse to provide care they find objectionable on personal, moral or religious grounds. Conservative Christian groups cried foul.

The White House has said the administration was committed to protecting the rights of health care workers who don't want to perform abortions, but was concerned the Bush language went too far and could restrict services such as family planning and infertility treatments.

Obama's nomination of Kansas Gov. Kathleen Sebelius, a Catholic who supports abortion rights in conflict with church teachings, for health and human services secretary also has stirred the old culture war divisions.

But Page credited the White House for listening. He said an administration official reassured him that Obama would never force a health care provider to perform abortions against his or her conscience — easing Page's concerns about the so-called conscience clause.

"So, on that hand, I think they are listening and trying to seek some common ground," Page said. "But basically it seems like the more left-wing Democratic agenda is being followed."

RELIGION BRIEFS

Jail rules on head coverings modified

PORTLAND, Maine — Maine's courts and the Cumberland County Jail are modifying their rules regarding head coverings in order to accommodate the practices of Muslims and people of other faiths.

Under the new policy, defendants, inmates and visitors will no longer be required to remove scarves or other head coverings that are required by religious custom.

That obligation has come into conflict with security concerns and cultural standards that prevail in many of the nation's courts and prisons.

With the growth of the nation's Muslim communities, pressure to allow head coverings has increased. Some other states and the federal justice system have already modified their rules.

Hats have historically been forbidden inside the Cumberland County Jail, where inmates are issued pants and shirts of yellow, orange or blue depending on the security risk they present. To address concerns about security, the jail has contracted with a vendor to provide head coverings that meet jail security standards, Sheriff Mark Dion said.

Since 2005, the jail has detained 538 declared

Muslims who were either arrested locally or held for federal authorities.

Catholic parishes in Ohio fear closure

CLEVELAND — As the Cleveland Catholic Diocese prepares to announce which parishes must close or merge, those at most risk may be the 51 nationality parishes that cater to specific ethnic groups such as Polish-Americans and Irish-Americans.

Some of the historically large nationality parishes in Cleveland have shrunk as members moved to the suburbs.

The faithful at St. Casimir, one of the last vestiges of an old Polish neighborhood, are on edge. The church, founded in 1892, still offers a Polish Mass but is no longer surrounded by the ethnic culture that built it. On a recent Sunday, no more than 50 joined in song and prayer at a Mass inside the church.

"I was baptized here, I was married here, and I want to be buried here," said Tina Girod, 53.

Bishop Richard Lennon said closing some churches is necessary so that others can thrive. He intends to share decision with parish priests on Saturday.

Up to 50 parishes, mostly in urban areas, could close

or be merged within the diocese because of declining numbers of parishioners and priests, reflecting consolidation also seen elsewhere in the United States.

For much of the diocese's history, ethnic churches thrived. New immigrants often built grand structures.

But many of the nationality parishes no longer reflect their Bohemian or German or Italian roots. Neighborhoods changed, enrollments dwindled and diocese officials questioned whether Mass in the mother tongue is essential when most parishioners speak English.

Dispute over Torahs headed to court

LOS ANGELES — A legal battle between the widow of a San Fernando Valley rabbi and his former assistant will go before a secular judge after the assistant flouted a religious court's ruling that he relinquish a set of Torahs.

Rita Pauker's lawyer argues in the lawsuit scheduled to go before a Los Angeles Superior Court judge next month that her late husband never meant for Rabbi Samuel Ohana to keep the four Torahs when he lent Ohana the parchment scrolls in 1998.

"I'll fight to the end," said Pauker, who wants to give to

Torahs to her husband's nephews, two of whom are Orthodox rabbis. "I want them to go where they belong."

Ohana, 73, said Rabbi Norman Pauker gave him the Torahs — which contain the first five books of the Bible — after Pauker's own synagogue closed. He said the Torahs had been sitting in Pauker's garage and that he was surprised when Rita Pauker began asking for the scrolls.

"When a person donates a ... Torah to a synagogue, it belongs to the synagogue," Ohana said.

Rita Pauker has been seeking the return of the Torahs since her husband died in 2002. She insists that a handwritten agreement between her husband and Ohana proves that the Torahs had been lent for just two years.

Last year, the two parties agreed to observe the ruling of a Los Angeles-based religious court, which ruled in Pauker's favor in January. But Ohana has not complied with the court's order that he return the scrolls within 30 days. Instead, he appealed the decision to a higher court in Jerusalem.

That prompted Rita Pauker's attorney to ask a Superior Court judge to confirm the Los Angeles religious court's ruling.

— wire reports

Church books quinceanera tradition

“She didn’t want to do it, but I told her to keep the tradition.”

— Maria Soto, outside a Los Angeles church after her daughter, Angelica, had completed her quinceanera

By Alicia Lozano
Los Angeles Times

LOS ANGELES — As she sat primly under a portrait of the Virgin Mary, 15-year-old Angelica Arroyo’s silver tiara glistened against the gold-plated altar of La Placita Church on historic Olvera Street. When Father Richard Estrada handed her a calligraphy-adorned certificate, the church erupted in applause: Angelica had completed her quinceanera. “To me it’s a very special moment because she’s my only daughter,” said Arroyo’s mother, Maria Soto, outside the church. “She didn’t want to do it, but I told her to keep the tradition.”

Quinceaneras have been a custom among Hispanics since pre-Columbian days, when indigenous tribes in South America inducted young women into the community on their 15th birthdays. Over time, this rite of passage has evolved into the kind of lavish ceremony one might associate with a debutante ball.

The Roman Catholic Church recently has taken steps to institutionalize the ceremony by introducing a prayer book especially for quinceaneras. The “Order for the Blessing on the Fifteenth Birthday,” available in English and Spanish, is a collection of prayers and benedictions specifically designed to “honor the Latino cultural heritage” and “encourage young women to renew their baptismal commitment,” according to the book, published by the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops.

Streamlining the ceremony

was no easy task. Because quinceaneras are not considered sacraments, no official ritual book exists. Priests are free to tailor the ceremonies according to the family’s requests or their own ideas about what is appropriate.

It took a committee of 10 bishops, priests, nuns and laypeople, representing Cuba and Spain, almost a decade to reach consensus on the prayer book, which consists of Scripture readings, blessings and prayers, said Sister Doris Turek of the Conference. Although a similar book was published in 1976, this is the first to be approved by the Vatican.

“By encouraging the text, we’re trying to strengthen the religious aspect,” Turek said. “As more Hispanics are arriving in the diocese, it became obvious that this ceremony was going to continue.”

The committee took special care to mold the text, plucking benedictions and prayers that underscore the special role of women in the church. The process was painstaking, Turek said, but resulted in a book that speaks directly to the girls.

Perhaps the most unusual aspect of the text is that it allows for the ceremony to be performed outside the church by a deacon. This version begins with a reading from Scriptures — any passage can be used, but the text suggests the passage in which God asks Mary to carry his child.

It reads: “The word of the Lord came to me thus: Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, before you were born I dedicated you, a prophet to the nations I appointed you. ‘Ah, Lord

God!’ I said, ‘I know not how to speak; I am too young.’”

Although the Catholic Church officially adopted the text in September, it has sold only 5,000 copies, each of which must be purchased through the publisher for \$6.95, nationwide. Few parishes know about it, and this bothers some priests.

At La Placita, Estrada is especially troubled that he has never heard of the book. He assumes that it’s a way of “Americanizing” the ceremony, but perhaps the church is missing the point, he said.

“Many, many Anglo parishes refuse because it’s too expensive,” he said, referring to the lavishness that has come to typify most quinceaneras. “The key is that it’s a teachable moment when you can gather kids who don’t usually go to church.”

For Estrada, the language and structure are secondary to the meaning of quinceaneras.

“In these times, young girls and young boys need to hear about responsibility, that they are contributing members of society,” he said.

Estrada thinks the cost of the dress, limousine and after-party should not outweigh the moment when a young girl reaffirms her Catholic faith.

“Instead of scolding these people, can’t we just understand that this is part of the culture and that they want to give something to their daughter?” he said.

Traditional quinceaneras are elaborate affairs celebrated in the context of a Catholic Mass. The celebrant typically chooses up to 15 friends or family members who form a kind of adolescent bridal party. However, Angelica Arroyo and her family decided not to burden others with the exorbitant cost of dresses and tuxedos and invited



Angelica Arroyo kneels before an image of the Virgin Mary during her quinceanera at La Placita Church in Los Angeles. The Vatican has approved a prayer book written specifically for use in the ceremonies.

Photo by CHRISTINA HOUSE/Los Angeles Times

only one young man to be her usher, or chambelan.

As the church music swelled, Angelica and her chambelan, 15-year-old Vincent Barron, stood looking up at the altar. The Mass commenced with the usual prayers and readings, until the priest gave a sermon about the role of women in the church.

“We can learn a lot from this angel,” Estrada belted from the altar. “The Virgin was a masterpiece from God, chosen because her humility was so tremen-

dous and real. Her response was to put God first.”

Angelica was then asked to reaffirm her vows as a Catholic and her commitment to serve the church. Sometimes the girl lights a symbolic candle — Angelica opted for offering a bouquet of yellow roses to a dramatic portrait of the Virgin Mary.

Serenely watching from behind the altar, Angelica looked more like a bride than a 15-year-old. She was swathed in a red Cinderella dress, her dark hair tussled in a prom-style up-do.

When the ceremony ended, she and Vincent led a procession out to the street, where family members and friends snapped pictures and posed for the professional photographer documenting the event.

“Get me a churro,” Angelica called to her mother from the Hummer limo as she prepared to leave for the reception. Her mother, clutching a tissue, smiled warmly, prepared to give her daughter anything she wanted on this, her 15th birthday.

Kindness on a cold day warms heart

It’s cold here today. A late winter storm has blustered into the area, shocking the cheeriness out of the bright yellow crocuses that were blooming yesterday in our flower bed. We didn’t get a ton of snow — only a thin blanket of white covers the yards and streets. But a stern wind from the north has turned the snow to ice, and everyone is once again wearing their thick winter sweaters and coats.

Because it’s cold. The kind of cold that makes you feel sorry for penguins. The kind of cold that makes Hades seem like a lovely vacation spot. The kind of cold that permeates every crack and crevice and penetrates right to the bone.

Yeah, that kind of cold. This would have been a miserable day to be without a furnace. And that was the prospect Marilyn (not her real name) was facing. Her furnace went out several days ago, and she has been unsuccessful in several attempts to get a repair person to come to her home — especially when she acknowledged that she wouldn’t be able to pay for the service call up front. A fiercely independent single mom, Marilyn has been able to provide for her family very well until recently when a series of unforeseen events left her unemployed. She has excellent prospects for the future, but for right now, things are a little tight.

And right now it’s cold. When she came to church on Sunday, a member of the



VALUE SPEAK
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congregation noticed how cold her arm was. She laughingly explained the situation and said confidently that they would be OK — they had plenty of blankets.

But that wasn’t good enough for Kevin. When he heard about Marilyn’s plight, he made an appointment to go check out her furnace for himself. Kevin is handy and knows his way around mechanical stuff. But Marilyn’s furnace had him stumped. So he called Brian, a neighbor who has experience working on furnaces and such. Turns out Brian has the exact same kind of furnace that Marilyn has. In no time Brian had the problem figured out, went back to his house and returned with the parts needed to get Marilyn’s furnace up and running.

Just in time for today’s cold.

“I can’t believe how lucky it was that you had the exact parts we needed,” Kevin said as the two men left Marilyn’s suddenly warm little house. “Do you have a spare of everything?”

Brian smiled shyly. “Well, actually,” he said, “it wasn’t really a luck thing. I just took the parts out of our furnace.”

Kevin looked at him, stunned. “So basically you shut your furnace down so you could fix Marilyn’s?” he asked.

“It’s not a big deal,” Brian said. “We mostly use our wood burning stove to heat our house anyway.”

“But what about the storm that’s coming?” Kevin wondered. “It’s going to get awfully cold and snowy . . .”

“We’ll be fine,” Brian said. “Honest. She needs the furnace more than we do.”

And as far as Brian was concerned, that was all that mattered. Someone else needed what he had, so he gave it to them. They needed his skill, so he shared it. They needed judgment, so he offered it. They needed furnace parts, so he transplanted parts from his own furnace to theirs — even though it meant facing a late winter storm with only a wood burning stove to heat his house. Call it kindness. Call it benevolence. Call it compassion. Call it love. All I know is when I see such acts of everyday human decency, it warms my heart with hope.

Even when it’s cold.

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Answer to previous puzzle

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6	2	1	7	3	8	9	5	4
7	8	5	2	9	4	6	3	1
8	4	6	3	2	7	1	9	5
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ACROSS 1 Way back ___ 5 Fawn of Disney fame 10 Battle souvenir 14 Sorority letter 15 Not from this world 16 Game divided into chukkers 17 Prime cut 19 Skip over 20 Cheap, noisy bar 21 "...a tale of ___"

13x13 crossword puzzle grid with numbers 1-63.

22 Wrath 23 Like some peanuts 26 Bangor's state 29 Cons 32 Lennon's widow 33 Call up 34 Fell or Rockwell 35 Bad review 36 A-Team actor 37 Painting, sculpture, etc. 38 Penny face? 39 Have bills 40 Frosted to the max 41 Wight or Capri 42 Old salt 43 Packs of cards 44 Sure-footed animals 45 ___ Bay, Long Island 47 Farrow or Sara 48 Slippery one 49 PCP 55 Segments of circles 57 System of beliefs 58 Shot on the green 59 Give a face-lift to 60 Chess piece 61 Kinski film 62 Harbingers 63 Pot starter

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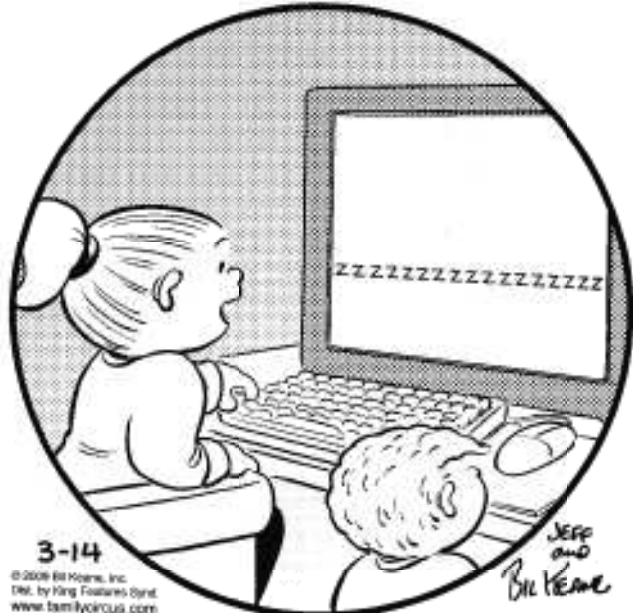
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Despondent wife is all alone in marriage of seventeen years to silent husband

DEAR ABBY: I am so lonely. My husband refuses to communicate with me or do anything with me. The only outlet I have is work and school. I would like to end this misery, but I don't know where to begin. We have been married for 17 years. I have never been unfaithful to him, although I have thought about it – not for the physical aspect, but for the communication.



DEAR ABBY Jeanne Phillips

than once. Many of my friends have told me their first impression of me was that I was extremely snotty. This is wrong. I'm a very kind person.

I have accepted this personality trait, but it may be interfering with my finding a job. I was recently laid off, and I'm applying for and interviewing for a new one. However, after numerous interviews I have not been invited back for a second one.

I work in public relations, where personality can be a key in hiring. I believe my shyness is hindering me from "wow" potential employers. How can I overcome it and give a better first interview?

DEAR ABBY: Public relations is a form of sales, and in sales first impressions are essential. An interview is not a social situation, where you can look someone over and decide whether or not to open up. This is business, and if you're going to get hired you are going to have to

DESPERATE FOR SOMEONE TO TALK TO DEAR DESPERATE: Has your marriage always been this way? When did this "great silence" begin? Most important, why have you tolerated an emotional "starvation diet" for so long?

If you think your marriage is worth saving, offer your husband the chance to repair it through marriage counseling – but be prepared for it to take some time, because old habits are hard to break. If not, then accept the fact that you have suffered enough, and formalize the reality that you haven't really been married in a very long time.

DEAR ABBY: I am shy. I am by no means painfully shy, but I tend to be more of an observer when I first meet people. Once I'm comfortable I can open up and be myself. Sometimes it's only minutes, but other times I need to meet someone more

sell yourself. So start working on your sales pitch. Tell potential employers what makes you the right person for the job.

Your friends and family can help you by role-playing practice interviews. Ask them to honestly critique you. If you have been working with a placement agency, discuss this with the person who has been sending you on these interviews. His or her input could also be helpful.

If this doesn't make your job search more successful, then perhaps it's time to extend your search into other fields besides public relations.

DEAR ABBY: Is there a polite response to the question, "How are you?" in situations when your life is horrible, but you would rather not talk about it (i.e., divorce)?

DEVIATED IN HIGHLAND, UTAH DEAR DEVIATED: If you would really prefer not to talk about "it," the response you should give is, "Fine, thanks – and how are you?" This will deflect attention from yourself and onto the other person.

When you are ready to deal with follow-up questions, all you have to say is, "How am I? I've had better days!" And nine times out of 10 the person will pounce on the opening.

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IF MARCH 14 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY: During this wonderful year you could escape from the confines of dull routine and make major changes in the direction of your life. Because you are willing to experiment with new ideas, people and places, you could grow on many levels. For the next several months, and especially in April, life will seem more exciting and you will feel like you are in the spotlight. Your charisma is enhanced in September, too, but new people you meet then might not be what they seem or you may read more significance into events than they deserve. In any case, you should not make major changes or choices in September because your judgment might be off base and whatever additional obligations you take on could become onerous.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Perfectionist tendencies can be hard to bear. Your schedule could be so busy that you can't deal with minor changes or interruptions graciously. Try to be more loving and understanding with others. TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Take things one step at a time. You instantly recognize the person who has the potential to become your very best friend, or a partner, but you need plenty of time to get accustomed to the idea.



Jeraldine Saunders GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Thoughts are things. Bring your ideas, dreams and hopes out into the open and lay your cards on the table. It is possible to initiate a new project that will be beneficial. Strike up a fascinating new friendship.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Someone's heart is in the right place. The words you hear from a loved one might sound gruff or terse, but like a chocolate confection there is a soft center lurking beneath the surface shell.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Chickens always come home to roost. Bill and coo with a very special someone. If a crucial relationship has experienced a rift, this is a good time to use your charms to smooth some ruffled feathers.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): When the party is over, someone has to clean up the mess. Don't fall into the trap of feeling sorry for yourself, or expecting that everything will put itself back in apple pie order without some personal effort.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): While Venus is in your opposite sign you might feel that all of your relationships are

running quite smoothly. At the same time you might resent the fact that you can't always be the center of attention.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): If your mind is like a steel trap then it might be time to set it and catch something useful. Apply your aptitude for business to domestic matters and make some practical decisions.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Determine what is of the utmost importance. Soul searching will show whether you are on a wild goose chase or on the right track. Get ahead by joining in fellowship with like-minded individuals.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Facts are better than fiction. Don't dwell on dismal ideas or put too much energy into suspicions or doubts. Read an inspiring biography or open a how-to book to improve your outlook.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Good luck can come in all shapes and sizes. Your association with a group might provide you with good references or a valuable tip. Don't ignore even the smallest offer or insignificant advice.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Go where no one has gone before. You have as much technological know-how as Mr. Spock and the entire crew of the Enterprise. This is a good time to upgrade the computer or learn a brand new skill.

In New Mexico; Republicans disagreed and pressed for a comprehensive review of U.S. policy toward China.

TODAY IN HISTORY

Today is Saturday, March 14, the 73rd day of 2009. There are 292 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History: On March 14, 1794, Eli Whitney received a patent for his cotton gin, an invention that revolutionized America's cotton industry.

On this date: In 1743, a memorial service was held at Faneuil Hall in Boston honoring Peter Faneuil, who had donated the building bearing his name.

In 1883, German political philosopher Karl Marx died in London at age 64.

In 1900, Congress ratified the Gold Standard Act.

In 1923, President Warren G. Harding became the first chief executive to file an income tax return.

In 1939, the republic of Czechoslovakia was dissolved, opening the way for Nazi occupation of Czech areas and the separation of Slovakia.

In 1951, during the Korean War, United Nations forces recaptured Seoul.

In 1964, a jury in Dallas found Jack Ruby guilty of murdering Lee Harvey Oswald, the accused assass-

sin of President John F. Kennedy, and sentenced him to death. (Both the conviction and death sentence were later overturned, but Ruby died before he could be retried).

In 1967, the body of President John F. Kennedy was moved from a temporary grave to a permanent memorial site at Arlington National Cemetery.

In 1980, a Polish airliner crashed while making an emergency landing near Warsaw, killing all 87 people aboard, including 22 members of a U.S. amateur boxing team.

In 1991, a British court overturned the convictions of the Birmingham Six, who had spent 16 years in prison for an Irish Republican Army bombing, and ordered them released.

Ten years ago: The Clinton administration said the government had responded decisively to allegations that China had benefited from technology stolen from the Los Alamos nuclear weapons laboratory

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B.C. By Johnny Hart

WHERE'D YOU GO FOR LUNCH?
PETER'S DINER.

I THOUGHT THE FOOD WAS AWFUL...

YEAH, BUT THE PORTIONS ARE HUGE!

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Baby Blues By Rick Kirkman & Jerry Scott

A GIRL AT SCHOOL CALLS YOU A ~~FOOL~~ @#!?!

YEAH, PRETTY MUCH EVERY DAY.

OH MY! YEAH.

I COULD REALLY USE YOUR HELP ON THIS.

BY TALKING TO YOUR PRINCIPAL?

BY TEACHING ME SOME REALLY GOOD NAMES TO CALL HER BACK.

Beetle Bailey By Mort Walker

CAN YOU HELP PUT THE MAGIC BACK INTO MY MARRIAGE, DOC?

TRY GIVING HER SOME JEWELRY AND A NIGHT OUT ON THE TOWN TONIGHT

THAT WON'T WORK, THERE'S A GAME ON!

GREG MORT WALKER

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Blondie By Dean Young & Stan Drake

MR. B, YOU LOOK LIKE YOU DON'T HAVE A CARE IN THE WORLD

YEP, EVERYTHING SEEMS TO BE JUST RIGHT AT THE MOMENT, ELMO

IN THAT CASE, MR. B, I GUESS I'LL SAVE MY NEWS FOR LATER

SLAM

I'VE GOTTA START LOCKING THAT FRONT DOOR

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Dilbert By Scott Adams

ASOK, WE NEED TO CUT YOUR PAY AGAIN. BUT MAYBE YOU COULD GET A SECOND JOB.

SECOND???

I AM ALREADY DOING FREELANCE I.T. SUPPORT... AND DONATING BLOOD... AND WORKING AS A MALE ESCORT.

I DON'T NEED THE DETAILS.

RUNNING GUNS... ROBBERING GRAVES... STARTING A HEDGE FUND...

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The Elderberries By Phil Frank and Joe Troise

More paint for walls, Mr. Dusty.

Can Ah ask ya a question, Ludmilla?

As long as it not pertain to Soviet spy secrets, da.

Why does Overdunne want all th' walls painted, all of a sudden?

Is for next week's filming of Elderpark television advertisement.

Did ya here that, Boone? Ah'm gonna be on the TV!

I never hear what you hear, Dusty.

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For Better or For Worse By Lynn Johnston

WHERE DOES MOM KEEP THE SPAGHETTI, MICHEL?

WHERE DID MOM PUT LIZZIE'S CLEAN PANTS?

HOW AM I SUPPOSED TO KNOW WHERE HER BOTTLE IS!!

I JUST LIVE HERE...

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Frank and Ernest By Bob Thaves

THE KING'S WIG IS FINISHED--- RUN IT OVER TO THE CASTLE.

— AH, THE HAIR TO THE THRONE!

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Garfield By Jim Davis

I KNOW, I KNOW...

THOSE BAKERY SURVEILLANCE CAMERAS ADD TEN POUNDS

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Hagar the Horrible By Chris Browne

I KNOW, I KNOW...

THOSE BAKERY SURVEILLANCE CAMERAS ADD TEN POUNDS

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Hi and Lois By Chance Browne

MY STYLIST THINKS I SHOULD GO WITH A SHORTER HAIRSTYLE

WHY DO THEY ALWAYS WANT TO CUT OLDER WOMEN'S HAIR SHORT? YOU HARDLY EVER SEE OLDER WOMEN WITH LONG HAIR.

DID I SAY "OLDER"?

TWICE

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Luann By Greg Evans

THE HORNER HOUSE REPAIRS ARE ALMOST DONE. THE BOYS'LL BE ABLE TO MOVE OUT OF HERE

OH?? NOT "YIPPEE"?

WHEN THEY'RE MESSY AND INVADERS MY PRIVACY, I WANT THEM GONE. BUT WHEN TJ COOKS AND BRAD CLEANS, I WANT THEM TO STAY

~ CHUCKLE ~ MAYBE AFTER THEY'RE GONE, WE CAN HIRE THEM TO COME COOK AND CLEAN

I LIKE IT. KEEP TALKING...

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RAT, I'D LIKE YOU TO MEET MY COUSIN SQUIDMO... HE'S A PROFESSIONAL ZEBRA RIGHTS ACTIVIST WHO'S DEDICATED HIS LIFE TO DRAFTING VARIOUS METHODOLOGIES FOR KEEPING ZEBRAS SAFE FROM PREDATORS.

OH, YEAH? LET ME HEAR ONE.

"RUN."

SQUIDMO MAY NOT BE GIVING YOU YOUR MONEY'S WORTH.

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Pickles By Brian Crane

EARL, I'M GOING TO A RED HAT SOCIETY LUNCH TODAY.

OKAY, HAVE FUN.

I JUST WANTED TO ASK YOU...

WOULD IT BE OKAY IF I WORE THIS HAT, OR WERE YOU PLANNING ON WEARING IT TODAY?

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Rose is Rose By Pat Brady

I TRY TO USE PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION WHENEVER POSSIBLE!

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Non Sequitur By Wiley

I'VE COME TO THE CONCLUSION THAT ALL BOYS ARE WEIRD

OH, COME ON... ALL BOYS?

DON'T YOU THINK SUCH A SWEEPING GENERALIZATION IS A BIT UNFAIR?

YOU WERE SAYING...? OK... MAYBE MOST BOYS...

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"EVERY BIRTHDAY PUTS HIM ONE YEAR CLOSER TO LEAVING HOME."

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The Wizard of Id By Brant Parker & Johnny Hart

GIMME A DRAFT, AND ASK THE YOUNG LADY IF SHE'LL HAVE A DRINK ON ME

PSSST WHISPER WHISPER

SHE SAID YES

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Zits By Jim Borgman and Jerry Scott

JEREMY, TAKE THESE CLOTHES...

...CARRY THEM IN YOUR HANDS AND WALK IN THAT DIRECTION UNTIL YOU COME TO THE STAIRS. MAKE A 90° RIGHT TURN. TAKE ANOTHER 90° RIGHT TURN. WALK UP 22 STEPS. TURN RIGHT, AND THEN ENTER THE FIRST ROOM YOU COME TO. PUT THE CLOTHES SOMEWHERE WITHIN THOSE FOUR WALLS.

YOU DON'T LEAVE A LOT OF ROOM FOR INTERPRETATION, DO YOU?

AFTER PICKING UP SEVERAL TONS OF LAUNDRY OFF THAT STAIRWAY, I'VE LEARNED TO BE SPECIFIC.

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CASSIA COUNTY FISCAL YEAR 2009 FINAL BUDGET ADULT MISDEMEANOR PROBATION. Table with columns: Description, 2006 Actual, 2007 Budget, 2007 Actual, 2008 Budget, 2008 Actual, 2009 Adopted Budget.

MINI-CASSIA MISDEMEANOR PROBATION AMENDED BUDGET 2009. Table with columns: Description, 09 Adopted Budget, 2009 Amended, Comments, Amended Budget Total.

PUBLISH: March 14, 2009

NOTICE OF HEARING ON APPLICATION FOR CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT #2009-03-CU

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a hearing will be held on Thursday, the 16th day of April, 2009, at 2:00 o'clock PM, 1401 Overland Ave., Burley City Hall Council Chambers, Burley, Idaho before the Cassia County Planning & Zoning Commission on the application of Juan Jose Contreras regarding an Application for Conditional Use Permit...

EXHIBIT #2

Parcel No. 1 TOWNSHIP 10 SOUTH, RANGE 22 EAST OF THE BOISE MERIDIAN, CASSIA COUNTY, IDAHO. Section 21: Part of the SE 1/4 NE 1/4, more particularly described as follows: Beginning at the Southeast corner of the SE 1/4 NE 1/4 of said Section 21, said corner marked by a 3 inch Cassia County survey cap...

Parcel No. 2: TOWNSHIP 10 SOUTH, RANGE 22 EAST OF THE BOISE MERIDIAN, CASSIA COUNTY, IDAHO

Section 21: Part of the SE 1/4 NE 1/4, more particularly described as follows: Beginning at the Southeast corner of the SE 1/4 NE 1/4 of said Section 21, said corner marked by a 3 inch Cassia County survey cap; thence South 89°18'32" West (Basis of Bearing) (South 88°31' West, rec.) along the 1/4 section line for 575.83 feet to a 1/2 inch rebar which shall be the Point of Beginning; Thence South 89°18'32" West (West, rec.) along said 1/4 section line for 276.67 feet to a 1/2 inch rebar; Thence North 0°50'33" East (North, rec.) for 227.53 feet (228.0 feet, rec.) to a 1/2 inch rebar; Thence North 89°16'33" East (East, rec.) for 275.94 feet to a 1/2 inch rebar; Thence South 0°39'28" West for 227.69 feet to the Point of Beginning.

Such lands are located within the RES AG zone. Pursuant to the Cassia County Zoning Ordinance a Conditional Use Permit is required for development in said zone. The applicant will appear at this hearing to provide to the Cassia County Planning & Zoning Commission all the information required for issuance of a conditional use permit for the proposed use under the Cassia County Zoning Ordinance, before such permit can be issued.

A copy of the Application for Conditional Use Permit, including relevant maps and drawings, and information concerning the hearing process is available for review by the public at the office of the Zoning Administrator, Room #4 in the basement of the Cassia County Courthouse, 1459 Overland Ave., Burley, Idaho, prior to the hearing.

All other interested persons are invited to attend the hearing on the question of issuance of the requested conditional use permit. Such other interested persons are advised that in order to participate in the hearing, the following regulations apply:

A. Written Statements of Support Or Objection: All persons to whom notice is mailed shall be advised in that notice that they and others who can establish that their substantial rights would be affected by the approval or denial of the permit may file written objections or supporting statements with the planning and zoning commission secretary no later than ten (10) days prior to the hearing setting forth in that writing that person's support or objection to the issuance of the new conditional use permit.

1. Written objections shall set forth each requirement of law (local, state or federal) which the objecting party believes the conditional use permit would violate.

2. Written statements shall also set forth either that the party making the statement owns property within one (1) mile of the external boundaries of the conditional use permit site described in the application and/or otherwise setting forth the substantial rights that would be affected by the approval or denial of the permit.

3. Additionally, any party desiring to file any document(s) exceeding one (1) one-sided, 8 1/2"x11" sized page, shall file such documents at least ten (10) days prior to the hearing, with the planning and zoning commission secretary. The planning and zoning commission reserves the right to reject any proffered documentation that violates the intent of this regulation.

B. Providing Testimony at the Public Hearing: Any person who files a statement in support or objection to the issuance of a new conditional use permit shall indicate in such statement whether or not such person desires to testify at the hearing.

1. Prior to the hearing the planning and zoning commission shall determine which of those persons who desire to testify will be permitted to testify at the hearing.

2. All statements of support or objections shall be made a part of the record at the hearing, but no person except the applicant shall be permitted to testify at the hearing unless they have previously filed a written statement of support for or objection to the issuance of the permit.

DATED this 3rd day of March, 2009. /s/Juan Jose Contreras

PUBLISH: March 14, 2009

NOTICE OF HEARING

NOTICE is hereby given that the Board of County Commissioners will hold a public hearing on Monday, March 23, 2009, at 1:30 P.M., in the Cassia County Commission Chambers, Room #3, Courthouse, 1459 Overland Avenue, Burley, Idaho to receive comments and to explain reasons for actions on the proposed fee increases and some new fee implementations for Planning and Zoning Department, Building Department Fees, Sheriff's Fees and Motor Vehicle Administrative Fees and mailing fees, some of which will exceed five percent (5%) of the amount currently being collected for certain services in Cassia County. The proposed fee schedule showing the current fee and the new proposed fee is as follows:

PLANNING AND ZONING DEPARTMENT FEES. Table with columns: Current, Proposed Appeals. Includes items like CAFO, Comprehensive Plan Amendment-Text, Conditional Use Permit, etc.

Dated this 2nd day of March, 2009. Cassia County Administrator /s/Kerry D. McMurray

*Plus costs including publishing, transcription, and/or other processing fees. *Plan review fee will be applied/credited to total cost of permit fee. *Minimum Charge of One (1) hour. *Includes application fee, FBI fee, and photo fee.

PUBLISH: March 7 and 14, 2009

NOTICE

The Jerome County Planning & Zoning Commission will hold a Hearing on certain proposed amendments to Chapter 13, of the Jerome County Zoning Ordinance, on Monday, March 30, 2009, at 8 pm in the District Courtroom of Jerome County Courthouse, 300 North Lincoln, Jerome, Idaho. The proposed amendments involve certain language being added to Chapter 13 that will require an applicant seeking a permit for a residential home or subdivision near and existing LCO, or an applicant for a new or expanding LCO permit near an existing residential home or subdivision, to construct one or more windbreaks and/or berms for the purpose of helping eliminate adverse impacts typically associated when residential and LCO type uses come in close proximity to one another. In summary, the amendments will require those constructing either a new residential home or subdivision near an existing LCO, or those constructing a new or expanding LCO near an existing residential home or subdivision, to include in such construction one or more windbreaks and/or berms as necessary to accomplish the stated purpose; require the location of such windbreak or berm be determined in respect to existing structures; require the type of applicant described above, and who feels that he or she should be exempt from having to construct such a windbreak or berm, to demonstrate to the governing board's satisfaction that such is not needed and should be exempt; gives the governing board the authority to waive the requirement of a windbreak or berm if it so in fact agrees that such is not needed; requires certain distances the windbreaks or berms will be from existing structures; requires certain material be used in constructing the windbreaks or berms; and requires the windbreaks and berms to be maintained in various manners. The proposed amendments to Chapter 13 also includes certain language being added to the chapter that will give the governing board the ability to attach conditions and/or safeguards to those types of permits described above. The purpose for adding this language is also to help eliminate adverse impacts typically associated when residential and LCO type uses come in close proximity to one another. These conditions and safeguards may be applied when the facts of a specific application demonstrate that such are warranted. The proposed additions to Chapter 13 can be viewed in their entirety at the Office of the Jerome County Planning and Zoning Administrator, located at 300 North Lincoln, Rm. 307, Jerome, Idaho; at the Jerome City Public Library, located at 2nd Ave East, Jerome, Idaho; or on the Jerome County Website @ www.jeromecounty.org. Any person needing special accommodations to participate in the above noticed meeting should contact the Jerome County Planning & Zoning Office at the address above, or call: 208-324-9262.

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**SYNOPSIS OF MINUTES
 BOARD OF MINIDOKA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
 NOVEMBER 3, 2008**

Applications for County Aid: 1 approved; 1 denied
 Four motions approved in connection with Fire District's Idaho Community Development Block Grant Application.
NOVEMBER 10, 2008
 Applications for County Aid: 3 approved; 3 denied
 Minutes approved for August 18 and 25, 2008.
 Motions approved: to appropriate General Reserve funds; to hold an Executive Session; and to approve the General Election results.
NOVEMBER 17, 2008
 Applications for County Aid: 2 denied
 Minutes approved for September 8, 12, 15 and 22, 2008.
 Motions approved: to approve Resolutions 08-04 and 08-05 and to hold an Executive Session.
NOVEMBER 24, 2008
 Applications for County Aid: 3 denied
 Motions approved: to approve Resolution 08-06; to approve permanent "floating holiday"; to go into Executive Session; and to approve exception to Personnel Policy.
 The Board approved the following payment of bills during the month of November:

	Bills	Payroll
Current Expense	\$45,774.62	\$90,221.59
Ambulance	2,200.00	
Health	7,338.75	
Indigent	25,313.69	3,287.58
Parks & Recreations	2,861.87	1,819.57
Revaluation	7,647.23	20,862.70
Weed	4,887.56	4,551.35
District Court	20,711.80	13,920.18
Justice Fund	72,286.34	258,106.89
E911	31,821.33	7,298.40

PUBLISH: March 14, 2009

**IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT
 OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE
 COUNTY OF MINIDOKA**

Case No. CV-2009-189
SUMMONS
LINA J. GONZALEZ,
 Plaintiff,
 vs
MACARIO GONZALEZ,
 Defendant

NOTICE: You have been sued. The court may enter judgment against you without further notice unless you respond. read the information below.

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 Clerk of the District Court
 By: Deputy

PUBLISH: March 14, 2009 and April 4, 2009

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE
 Loan No. 0999097215 T.S. No. 200801582 - 31756 On 06/01/2009 at 11:00 am (recognized local time), at the following location in the County of Minidoka, State of Idaho: in the conference room of Land Title and Escrow, Inc., 710 "G" Street, Rupert, ID 83350, Pioneer Lenders Trustee Services, LLC, as Trustee will sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, for cash, in lawful money of the United States, all payable at the time of sale, the following real property, situated in the County of Minidoka, State of Idaho, and described as follows: Lot 6 in Block 1 of Jensen Subdivision to the City of Rupert, Minidoka County, Idaho, according to the official plat thereof, now on file in the office of the County Recorder, Minidoka County, Idaho, recorded September 22, 1969 as Document NO. 205948, Minidoka County records 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 709 17th St., Rupert, Idaho 83350 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 Benjamin R. Walters, an unmarried man, as grantors, to Wells Fargo Financial National Bank, as Trustee, for the benefit and security of Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., as Beneficiary, dated 11/18/2005 and recorded on 12/12/2005, as Instrument NO. 481677, of Official Records of Minidoka County, Idaho. Please Note: The above Grantors are named to comply with section 45-1506(4)(A), Idaho Code. No representation is made that they are, or are not, presently responsible for this obligation set forth herein. The Default for which this sale is to be made is the failure to pay when due, under Deed of Trust and Note dated 11/18/2005. The monthly installments of principal, interest, and impounds (if applicable) of 398.59, due per month for the months of 10/13/2008 through 1/19/2009, 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 \$64,000.00, plus accrued interest at the rate of 8.1% per annum from 09/13/2008. 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. Melmet Default Services, Inc. 1820 E. First Street, Suite 410, Santa Ana, CA 92705-4063 Sale Information Line: 714-259-7850 Reinstatement and Pay-Off Requests: (714) 480-5472 THIS IS AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT A DEBT AND INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. Date: 1/19/09 Pioneer Lenders Trustee Services, LLC By: Kara Lansberry, Assistant Trustee Officer ASAP# 2981651

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100 Announcements
101 Lost and Found
 FOUND Boxer in the Shoshone area. Call to identify. 208-420-3004.
 FOUND female puppy on the 1500 block of Almo Ave in Burley. No collar. Black with white spot on chest. Call 208-650-8372
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 LOST 2 Lab Mix dogs missing from the Kimberly/Twin Falls area. Zeus is a 4 year old black male. Elle is a 9 year old chocolate female in need of her medications. REWARD!! PLEASE CALL no questions asked 208-539-3390
 LOST Black Lab female puppy on Sunday 3/8/09 at 281 E. 700 N. Jerome. Wearing orange collar. Reward! Call 208-420-3963
 LOST Cat, long haired black and gray, Addison/Hankins area. 208-733-0712
 LOST Chihuahua, brown female, between N. College and Northstar. Reward, 410-9589 or 212-2991

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 Friday 7pm
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 Saturday 9pm
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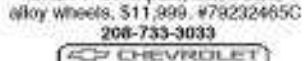
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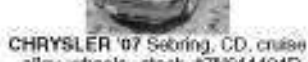
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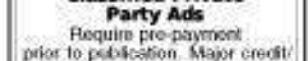
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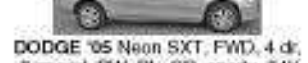
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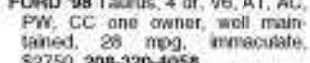
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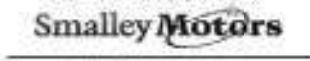
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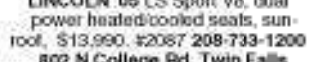
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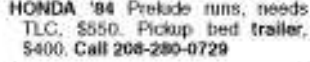
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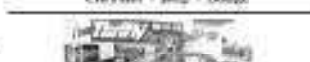


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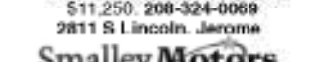
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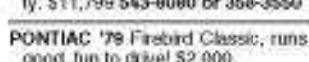
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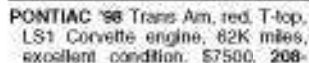
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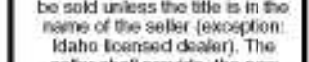
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