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ROLLIN' ON THE RIVER

How the roar of the Idaho Regatta took Burley and Idaho by storm

By Laurie Welch • Times-News writer

BURLEY — From the first year when boat racers converged on the Snake River in various vessels that skimmed across the water at breakneck speeds, the Idaho Regatta has drawn the curious to the river's edge and cemented a following of die-hard fans.

After 33 years, whether residents love it or hate it, the high-pitched whine of supercharged engines reverberating across the city during the last weekend of June has become the calling card of the start of summer in Burley.

"There was no newspaper coverage that first year," said Glen Dilworth, local competition jet boat racer, who helped spearhead the event in 1976 with his friend and fellow racer, Don Moyle. "And we didn't advertise it. That first year we just started the motors and people came down to see what all the noise was."

The Idaho Department of Labor estimates the Idaho Regatta brings \$2 to \$3 million to the area each year, based on a 1988 study that was done by Idaho State University, said Kae Cameron, Mini-Cassia Chamber of Commerce Director. Mark Moyle, Idaho Regatta Committee chairman, said last year the number of paid tickets at the gate for the three days was about 3,000.

The event regularly packs local motels and RV parks with the race teams' pit crews and families who travel with them.

"They eat, sleep, shop and spend money here," Cameron said.

In the beginning — 1976

Although the first official regatta was held the first weekend of June 1976 at the Burley Golf Course Marina, the Burley Rotary Club is credited with hosting a water show for a couple of prior years featuring speedboat races and a ski group from Thousand Springs, said businessman Lex Kunau.

"It was hotter than the devil on that first regatta race day," John Struchen, who was vice commander of Mini-Cassia Search and Rescue, which was brought in to help park cars and provide security. "It was one of the largest

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ABOVE: Don Moyle, front, races his K-Jet boat in the first official Idaho Regatta in 1976 at the Burley Golf Course Marina.

RIGHT: A 1986 program from the 10th Annual Boat Regatta from a collection of memorabilia owned by Regatta Chairman Mark Moyle.



BELOW LEFT: Boat racer Don Moyle makes roadside repairs to his tow vehicle in the early 1980s after breaking down in Barstow, Calif., while 8-year-old Mark Moyle waits nearby.



RIGHT: A South Idaho Press photograph shows Don Moyle winning his K-Jet class in 1980 in what was then called the Burley Inboard Regatta. During the early days of the event it went through a succession of names while the organization of the race changed hands.



KJ class winner
Don Moyle, Decis boat racer leads his boat after winning the second heat in his class in yesterday's opening round of racing at the fourth annual Burley Inboard Regatta. Moyle is closest to the J.P.B.A. class record. (SP Photo by Scott Kaine)



LEFT: Don Moyle, front, who helped spearhead the Burley regatta, races his K-Jet boat during the 1979 regatta.

Courtesy photos

Middle Ages meet Regatta

By Damon Hunzeker
Times-News writer

BURLEY — It's disorienting to see a medieval knight in a full suit of armor guzzling a can of Bud Light — especially when nearly everyone around him is barely dressed and fixated on the blurring speed and blaring roars of high-octane superstock boats racing on the Snake River.

The 34th Pepsi Idaho Regatta, held this weekend in Burley, attracted the usual crowd of thousands from all over the nation. But among the bikini-clad spectators and cheerful beer vendors were a group of people who seemed out of place — which is appropriate, because they're members of an international organization called the Society for Creative Anachronism.

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Cheryl Robertson plays a flute as part of the Society for Creative Anachronism during the Pepsi Idaho Regatta Saturday at the Burley Golf Course Marina.

COMING MONDAY

Read results from the Pepsi Idaho Regatta and find out how the dive team keeps racers safe.

Check out Monday's Times-News

Gooding Co. murder case heads to court

By Andrea Jackson
Times-News writer

An accused killer is scheduled to appear this week in Gooding County 5th District Court to face allegations that he murdered Gustavo Flores Quintana for drugs and money in 2007 by shooting him in the back of the head.

Jesus Valencia-Bolanos, 24, was a suspect in Quintana's murder from the beginning, authorities have said, though he wasn't charged with the killing until February of this year. That was after an inmate at the Gooding County Jail approached police on Jan. 15, saying Bolanos confessed to the murder, according to court records.

Quintana was found shot once in the back of the neck with a small-caliber firearm on Nov. 8, 2007, along a gravel road, near 1700 South and 1750 East in



Valencia-Bolanos

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Nampa charter school to use Bible as textbook

By Jessie L. Bonner
Associated Press writer

NAMPA — In a former carpet and lighting store turned church, the founders of a new charter school in Nampa sit before a row of pews and outline the curriculum they'll introduce to more than 550 students in August.

The first sixth-graders to enroll

at Nampa Classical Academy will begin learning Latin. The ninth-graders will delve into the history of Western civilization, with the Bible included as a primary source of teaching material.

The Bible will be taught for its literary and historic qualities, as part of a secular education program, headmaster Val Bush said.

"Some people are rather bigoted,

they say you can use everything but that," Bush said. "We say, 'Why?'"

The academy is slated to become the third-largest public charter school in Idaho when it opens this fall.

Portable classrooms on a 17-acre property across town from the New Heart Fellowship Church, where the school is temporarily

renting office space, will hold 557 students in kindergarten through ninth grade.

Two months before classes begin, three people have complained to the state that the public charter school appears rooted in Christian beliefs, academy founder Isaac Moffett said.

"We are not a religious school," he said, and students will not

receive religious instruction.

Idaho lawmakers passed a law allowing public charter schools a decade ago. More than 30 of the schools — funded with state money but given more flexibility in how they operate — have been established by teachers, parents and community members, and

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MORNING BRIEFING

Pat's Picks

Three things to do today

Pat Marcantonio



• Head up north for a spectacular view you'll never forget. Namely, Redfish Lake. With its many trails and beaches, it is a fun outing. If you want to camp, think about reservations. It's five miles south of Stanley off of Idaho Highway 75. At the Redfish Lake Lodge enjoy the free music of Blind Driver from 4 to 8 p.m. — it's part of the Stanley concert series.

• Jazz in the Park returns from 6 to 8 p.m. Sundays through July 26 at Rotary Park on Warm Springs

Road in the Wood River Valley. It is also free and the scenery is green and lush, thanks to all the rain.

• If you have the need for speed, enjoy powerboat racing at the 2009 Idaho Pepsi Regatta. Elimination finals start at 11 a.m. at the Burley Golf Course Marina. Information: <http://idahoregatta.com/>

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

Regatta

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Its members dress and live as though it could be Yorkshire in 1352, instead of Burley in 2009.

The man sweating in the suit of armor is Edward Zaladonis, of Idaho Falls, but he introduced himself as Baron Edward.

"We're just here to let people know we exist," the baron said while removing his steel helmet. "We have people who fight, cook, dance, sing songs — anything that was done in the Middle Ages, we have somebody doing it ... Some people say, 'I don't know if I want to pretend I'm in the Middle Ages,' but they still join because it's a creative outlet, and everybody's looking for that."

When asked how many times per day he uses the word "forsooth," the baron said it doesn't happen often, but he did refer to "my lady" and a "squire." He also discussed his jousting and armored-combat successes.

"I do what I want because I'm Baron Edward," he added.

The language contrasted noticeably with the regatta announcer telling the crowd, "That's Liquid



Photos by DREW GODLESKI/For the Times-News

Rapture driver Scott Dayley waves to fans before racing at the Pepsi Idaho Regatta Saturday at the Burley Golf Course Marina.

Lizard out of Wyoming coming around the bend!"

During a break from the races, the engine growls were replaced by a woman playing a song about castles on a flute.

Her name is Cheryl Robertson, of Twin Falls, but she goes by Her Excellency, Cecilia di Firenze.

"I am a 15th century Italian lady," she said. "I enjoy playing music and helping my fighters. I make sure my fighters are organized."

She said the local chapter doesn't have many members, and they're trying to generate interest.



Dutch Squires, left, talks with another owner, Scott Meyers, about his boat Saturday.

"If you like armor and tents, it's great for that," Baron Edward said. "We're

sort of based on reality. You can't show up and say, 'I'm a wizard.'"

TODAY'S HAPPENINGS

ARTS AND ENTERTAINMENT

Music from Stanley concert series, featuring Blind Driver, 4 to 8 p.m., Redfish Lake Lodge, Stanley, no cost, 208-484-9117 or musicfromstanley@gmail.com.

Community Patriotic Program, "We the People," non-denominational concert presented by churches of Mini-Cassia area, 6 to 8 p.m., King Fine Art Center auditorium, 2100 Parke Ave., Burley, no cost, open to the public, 678-2100.

Jazz in the Park, featuring Sun Valley Latin Jazz Ensemble, 6 to 8 p.m., Rotary Park, across from the YMCA, Warm Springs Road, Ketchum, free admission, bring low-back chairs, picnic and beverages (no food or drink for sale on premises), www.visitsunvalley.com.

Sun Valley Pavilion Concert, Sun Valley Opera—Tenors and Strings Extravaganza, featuring Dennis McNeil's Three Tenors and The Hutchins Consort, 7:30 p.m., Sun Valley Pavilion, Sun Valley Resort, tickets: \$25, \$45 and \$75, seats.sunvalley.com or 888-622-2108; Diva Party and show tickets: \$125-plus, 726-0991.

EXHIBITS

Classic Cruisers Show and Shine, includes DJ playing oldies music, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., City Park, open to all classic cars, public welcome, 326-5920.

FESTIVALS AND FAIRS

Filer Fun Days, with community worship service at 10:45 a.m. and spaghetti lunch at noon, Twin Falls County Fairgrounds, Filer, 326-4396.

FIELD DAY

Magic Valley Amateur Radio Club ARRL annual Field Day, national event to help train ham radio operators in case of emergency situations, until 11 a.m., Herrett Center, north side of the College of Southern Idaho campus, no cost, open to the public, mrgl@pmt.org.

SPORTS

Idaho Regatta/powerboat racing, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m., Burley Golf Course boat docks, Burley, 312-3133 or www.idahoregatta.com.

PHOTOGRAPHIC MEMORY



Photo courtesy Filer Public Library

H.G. Munyon and his wife, Cora, are shown with their family in front of their home at 600 Idaho St. in Filer. Munyon was the second mayor of Filer and was a prominent business owner in the Filer area. Munyon was a joint trustee for the people who purchased the site for the Twin Falls County Fair in 1916.



ASHLEY SMITH/Times-News

Murder

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Gooding County, according to court records.

Bolanos is set for a pre-trial Tuesday in the murder case filed in Gooding County 5th District Court. His lawyer, Joseph James, has filed paperwork saying that Bolanos' girlfriend will likely testify in his defense by providing alleged admissions to the killing by another man, Carlos Villanueva-Martinez Jr., who authorities previously suspected in the homicide.

Martinez and Bolanos were both charged with felony grand theft after Quintana died, though the theft case against Bolanos was dismissed by Gooding County prosecutors a day before a trial set for Jan. 20.



Villanueva-Martinez

A jury, however, convicted Martinez in December in the theft of Quintana's car.

Bolanos and Martinez both allegedly pointed fingers at each other, which complicated the investigation, Gooding County Sheriff Shaun Gough has said.

A .22-caliber rifle wrapped in a blue shirt was found by a passerby along U.S. Highway 93 on Dec. 24, 2007, which was where Bolanos and Martinez allegedly told police the murder weapon was ditched, according to court records. Gough confirmed Friday this was the weapon.

However, the Gooding County inmate who came forward Jan. 15 with Bolanos' alleged confession told authorities that

Bolanos had told him the murder weapon was a .22-caliber rifle that was dumped in a trash can in Las Vegas.

The inmate, Robert Temes, told authorities that Bolanos told him that he arranged to buy drugs from Quintana before the murder, but "had no intention of paying for the dope he was going to get the day of the murder," according to court records.

Bolanos allegedly called Quintana before the killing, saying he knew someone who was a "little sketchy" who wanted to buy drugs, and asked to meet at the crime scene, according to court records.

"Then when the opportunity came Jesus shot Gustavo in the back of the head," prosecutors allege in court papers.

Temes, who was convict-

ed in an unrelated case of lewd conduct with a child in August, told authorities in court records that after shooting Quintana, Bolanos allegedly claimed to have stolen an ounce of meth and \$3,500 from the victim.

Bolanos has pleaded not guilty. He allegedly told authorities in 2007 that Quintana was shot and killed by Martinez "over the fact that Carlos thought Gustavo was having an affair with his wife."

Deputies found beer cans filled with bullet holes near Flores' body, his T-shirt was marked by an apparent tire track, and his hands were in his pockets with a driver's license under his right arm, court records show.

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Bible

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have a total of about 10,000 students.

The movement to create new, more autonomous public schools allowed Nampa Classical Academy to create an education grounded in grammar, logic, rhetoric, arithmetic, geometry, music and astronomy, Moffett said.

Moffett, 36, attended the College of Southern Idaho and Boise State University before completing a social and behavioral science degree two years ago at a satellite campus of George Fox University, a private Oregon-based Christian school. He finished his teaching degree at Lewis-Clark State College in northern Idaho last year.

"My philosophy did not match anything in traditional education today," said Moffett, who believes the idea that his school is religious stems from the core values the school has adopted. Those values, he

said, include character, charity, civility, destiny, discipline, excellence, industry, integrity, service, loyalty, originality and patriotism.

"I've had people say they're Christian values. They're not, they're Western values," Moffett said, "You could even call them American values."

The school has no affiliation with the church where it temporarily operates down the hall from the office where pastor Randy Reams prepares his weekly sermons, except one of the academy's board members does worship there, Bush said.

"It was \$300 a month to rent this, it was \$1,100 to rent at another place. What would you do?" said Bush, a former Caldwell teacher and school superintendent in Utah and Idaho.

As for the Bible, if students are going to learn about Western civilization, they have to learn about the ancient Hebrews, Moffett said, and "the most authoritative text on ancient Hebrews is the Old Testament."

"If you want to be a fraud in front of those students, then omit the Bible," he said. "The kids don't have to believe it, but to understand a people's culture you have to understand the religious culture as well."

The U.S. Supreme Court, in a 1963 ruling that banned ceremonial school Bible readings, said "the Bible is worthy of study for its literary and historic

qualities" so long as material is "presented objectively as part of a secular program of education."

While in practice, public schools across the country have traditionally avoided Bible courses and the potential controversy, hundreds do offer voluntary classes to students.

Nationwide, 487 school districts and 1,975 high schools in 38 states are teaching Bible classes with materials from the National Council On Bible Curriculum in Public Schools, the Greensboro, N.C.-based organization says.

Students at the Nampa academy will read from a New International Version Bible that includes footnotes denoting cultural and archaeology discoveries, Moffett said.

When studying literature, students will read from the King James version of the Bible.

In Idaho, school districts are not prohibited from using the Bible as part of literature or history courses.

"When it comes to a literature class, the state does not have a list of books or novels teachers can use in the classroom," state Department of Education spokeswoman Melissa McGrath said. "I don't think this is the first school to do it."

"I think it is a historical text, so obviously schools can look at using it in different ways that don't violate separation of

church and state."

Bill Goesling, chairman of the Idaho Public Charter School Commission, said the Bible wasn't discussed when Nampa Classical Academy was approved last year. The school drafted a 280-page charter outlining its goals and overall philosophy, a document that does not mention the Bible or religion.

"I don't remember it coming up. Had it been known, I think we would have spent a little bit more time on it," Goesling said. "If it's being used as a whole class, and it becomes a Bible study, then we are going to have a problem."

"We've had two different petitions that approached it in that sense, that it was going to be more of a religious study than a historical study, and we turned them down."

Shawna Schneiderman, a 33-year-old former Notus teacher and one of two dozen instructors at Nampa Classical Academy, says the Bible is one of many texts students will read from.

For example, when studying the history and the culture of the Hebrews, Greeks and Mesopotamians, the students will read Greek myths, the Epic of Gilgamesh and from the book of Genesis, Schneiderman said.

"We knew people would come and say you can't do that," she said. "We knew people would not understand."

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Don't Ask Me
Steve Crump



The horror of having to witness 5:30 a.m. first hand

Of all the indignities of aging — wrinkles, pottery catalogs in the mailbox, brightly colored plastic clogs — the worst comes at 5:30 every morning.

At age 57, I can't sleep in. And I understand it's only going to get worse.

Older folks are early risers, and not just because they grew up on farms. Gerontologists say the older you get, the less sleep you need.

Fair enough, but senior citizens go to bed at 9:30 p.m.

Just why is a paradox: Folks who only require six hours of sleep a night can't keep their eyelids from snapping shut much later than "Dancing with the Stars."

Thirty-one percent of Twin Falls County residents are over 50, which explains why there is no discernible night life here.

Yet why a person my age couldn't, say, stay up until 2 a.m. and wake up at 8 a.m. is a mystery. But it's mission impossible.

Which, of course, leads to the most annoying practices of the AARP crowd:

- **Dinner at 4:30 in the afternoon.** That's daylight madness, yet it's when older folks prefer to eat.

- **Yard saling.** It's no accident that most garage sales start at 6 in the morning.

- **Decaffeinated coffee.** Elders complain that regular coffee "keeps them up!" Keeps them up for what?

- **Fox News Channel.** No wonder that Glenn Beck comes on at 3 in the afternoon.

- **Mall walkers.** I'm not so sure these folks ever go home; they may be napping in Sears and ShopKo from 9 p.m. to 5 a.m.

I suppose I should embrace the extra time that waking up at 0-dark-30 now affords me, but nothing productive can be accomplished before 7 in the morning, I know, because my dad was a farmer.

He got up at 4:30 a.m. every day, drank coffee and then napped in the cab of his tractor until the sun came up. Most sensible man I ever knew.

Me? From 5:30 to 6 every morning, I examine the inside of my eyelids. Then I stumble — and stumble is the right verb — into the kitchen and make coffee. When it's done, I pour a cup and go stand in the shower until the hot water runs out. By then, it's all of 6:32.

I can't abide Meredith Vieira or Matt Lauer at that hour, so I read the paper and do the crossword puzzle. Now it's 7:14 a.m.

If I followed my instincts, I'd get dressed and drive down to the Depot Grill, where I'd eat poached eggs and complain about the government. But that would be like surrendering to senior citizenship — sort of akin to wearing sweatpants every day.

So I start to read a book, then nod off. When I awake it's 7:39.

I have a friend who's retiring this year, and I asked him what he was planning to do with his days.

"You mean after 6:30 a.m.?" he replied. "I have no damn idea."

Steve Crump can be reached at 735-3223. Hear him live on KLIX-1310 AM at 8:30 a.m. Fridays or on the Web at Magicvalley.com/opinion.

Burley Idaho Youth Ranch burglarized

By Damon Hunzeker
Times-News writer

BURLEY — Burglars who hit the Idaho Youth Ranch Thrift Store in Burley Wednesday morning probably should have chosen a profit-making business instead.

Amanda Mowl, assistant manager of the charitable operation, said the

glass front door was shattered by a chunk of asphalt and \$100 was missing from the store's change till.

"Nothing else was taken, as far as we know," she said. "We have no idea who would have done it."

According to the police report, \$110 was taken. The report also lists a suspect — a store employee

fired three days earlier.

While searching for the former employee, however, Deputy Peggy Marizza received a call from him. He came into the sheriff's office, according to the report, and said "that he had nothing to do with the burglary."

Store manager Misty Pierce, who said the former employee "would

know exactly where the money is hidden," told police that the suspect was fired.

But the former employee told Marizza that he quit in order to make more money to support his children by working on a farm.

"I've been here for two years, and nothing like this has happened," Mowl said.

"As far as I know, it's never happened here before."

Donated items are sold at the store to benefit the not-for-profit Idaho Youth Ranch, which provides counseling and other services for children in need, often those from broken or dysfunctional homes.

The burglary remains under investigation.

Law & Disorder...

... in Cassia County

From June 17 police reports:

Larceny:

Two 49-year-old men were arrested for stealing four bicycles, valued at \$430, that were displayed outside the Burley Wal-Mart.

The lengthy police report indicates that the men worked with at least two other suspects to steal the bikes and then intended to sell all four of the bikes for \$100. One of the arrested men, according to Deputy Kenny Emery's report, said his accomplice was "up to no good" and promised to testify against him. Regardless, both men were arrested. "Deputy (Norma) Talamantes secured (one of the men) into handcuffs and the two were secured into area (sic) patrol vehicles," the report reads.

From June 18 police reports:

Driving under the influence:

Police responded to Annie's Saloon in Albion regarding a fight. The primary suspect, Cory Wayne Allen, 43, of Burley, was pulled over for various alleged traffic infractions. "Mr. Allen had urinated in his pants and had blood on the top of his head and on his hands. His shirt was ripped on the left shoulder and the buttons were pulled off," Deputy Wayne Winder's report reads. "I asked how he got the blood on his hands and face and he said he did not have blood on his hands or face. I began to instruct Mr. Allen in the start position for gaze nystagmus test and he told me to just arrest him."

He was arrested for excessive driving under the influence. His breath tests indicated results of .248 and .243, the report notes, well above the .08 legal blood-alcohol content limit.

The fight, according to witness statements in the report, involved Allen calling a woman a whore, then throwing her on the ground by her hair and hitting her before, after several people attempted to intervene, punching the woman's mother in the face.

— Damon Hunzeker

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Jerome announces road closures

Jerome Water Works Department official announced two road closures on Friday.

West Boulevard from Main Street to West Avenue

H will be closed to all traffic starting Monday through July 31 as crews work from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. weekdays as new main sewer lines are installed.

Residents along West Boulevard will have access to their property.

Also, a one-day closure will be in effect starting at 7 a.m. Wednesday on 100 South from Bridon Way to Victory Lane as crews install a 14-inch sewer mainline.

For more information about the road closures:

324-7122, ext. 3.

Area post offices will be open July 3

All post offices in Idaho will be open on Friday, but many will shorten lobby hours and close at noon, the

U.S. Postal Service announced.

Regular Friday mail delivery will be unaffected by the change. Mail should be deposited into blue collection mailboxes by noon for early pick-up. Post Offices will be closed

Saturday. Sunday/holiday express mail only will be delivered on the Fourth of July.

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Regatta

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gatherings that had ever been held in the area and boats came from all over, like California, Denver and New Mexico."

Anxious to have the races take hold in the area, Dilworth went out and personally purchased the orange snow drift fence that was used to cordon off the race course, while Moyle had some fence posts that they put to good use.

A new race takes hold

The second year, Search and Rescue took over organization of the event as a fundraiser. Walt Charles, who is an original charter member of unit, said it had table placemats printed up, which were placed in area coffee shops and made up the bulk of the advertising for the event.

"Our second year we didn't make any money at all," Charles said. "But we gave away a lot of money in prizes and trophies."

Charles said the Burley regatta was met by a medium-sized crowd those first years and the boat racers did not run a course around Crow Island — really a sand bar left in the river when it was dredged for gold — like they do today.

When Search and Rescue ran out of steam, the planning of the event was passed on through a succession of organizers, including the Burley Police Benevolent Association, which sponsored it in 1980 in conjunction with the Utah Speed Boat Association. From there it was passed to the Burley Area Chamber of Commerce. Kunau said eventually organization of the event evolved into what is now known as the Idaho Regatta Committee.

Increasing popularity

In 1977 the race was moved to Father's Day weekend. In the regatta's third year it snowed on Saturday afternoon and the whole crowd left, Dilworth said.

"We didn't want to give them their money back so we gave them a ticket and told them to come back tomorrow. We fired the boats up and they all came back," Dilworth said.

The event was eventually moved to the last weekend of the month, which worked out well until the dates drifted into July.

"We called the Rupert fair board to see if the race would interfere with the (Fourth of July) rodeo and they said, 'Oh that little race.' But their cowboys had to sleep in their pickups that year because there was no hotel rooms left," Dilworth said.

"That 'little race' filled every hotel in the valley and they (the fair board) begged us to move it back to the last full weekend in June."

Keeping it safe

Tim Little, who retired from the Cassia County Sheriff's Office in 2008, said he and another deputy were assigned to provide safety on the water for the boat drivers in 1977. The dive team continued to evolve throughout the years to encompass an

"The show you get to see is worth it. These guys put tens of thousands of dollars into their boats and they literally put their lives on the line."

— Mark Moyle, Idaho Regatta Committee chairman



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Idaho Regatta Committee Chairman Mark Moyle, of Burley, poses in front of his boat recently at the Burley Marina. Moyle's boat used to belong to his father, Don Moyle, one of the founders of the popular June event.

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1980	\$4
1985	\$5
1995	\$10
2009	\$25

driver who comes closest to his class's record each year.

"It is one of the biggest prizes given away in boat racing," Dilworth said. "In this valley, I don't know if people realize what a world-class event this is."

Thirty-three years of racing

Don Moyle's son, Mark Moyle, grew up racing boats and is currently the Idaho Regatta Committee chairman.

He said the event has been held every year since its inception, barring 1997,

when flooding on the Snake River caused its cancellation.

Kunau said scores of people and several organizations have played a part in the evolution of the regatta, which has been a boon to the community.

"You can't bring that many people into a community for three to five days without a lot of money changing hands," Kunau said.

Moyle said although the cost of admission for a day at the Idaho Regatta is \$25, the price rivals any sporting venue in the state.

"The show you get to see is worth it," Moyle said. "These guys put tens of thousands of dollars into their boats and they literally put their lives on the line."

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independent dive organization and a second team from Minidoka County.

Little said the team has never lost a driver, but came close in 1978 when Wendell Page of West Point, Utah, hit a submerged log at 140 mph in his K-Racing Runabout.

"We were lined up for the start and I jumped out in front," said Page, now 71. "I hit a submerged log and it blew the bottom out of my boat and took me out the side. It broke me up pretty bad. I actually died of shock in the emergency room but an ER doctor shocked me and brought me back."

Page spent about four weeks in the Burley hospital before he was transferred to a Utah hospital, where he stayed another four months.

He promised his wife he would not race again and although he bought another boat, he resold it and kept his promise.

Speeding into the '80s

By the time the 1980s rolled around the crowds had grown to 1,500 a day with 75 to 100 speed boats racing across seven classes.

In 1980 Moyle gave the local crowd something to cheer about by winning his K-Jet class during the first day of racing. In 1982 one of the national events cancelled its race and Burley hosted two regattas that year, one in June and one in August.

"That really hurt us," Dilworth said about the following year. "Everyone missed the June one the next year thinking they would go in August, but we didn't have two that year."

Dilworth said part of the allure of the Idaho Regatta for the racers has been the mink coat given away by Moyle Mink Farms to the

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Colbie Gardner, a certified nursing assistant, left, and Monica Fernandez, CNA, of the Gables Assisted Living home in Pocatello, return to the building Friday after pushing an employee's car out of deep water in the parking lot.

Flash flooding paralyzes SE Idaho

POCATELLO (AP) — Flash flooding prompted southeastern Idaho officials to declare a disaster area for Bannock County after a deluge closed roads, flooded homes, stopped cars in their tracks and caused landslides.

More than 43 homes and several local businesses in the Idaho region were

reported flooded as of Friday afternoon, and a swath of fierce hail severely damaged thousands of acres of potato fields from Cassia to Bingham County.

But officials told the Idaho State Journal that initial reports of flooding damage were likely just the tip of the iceberg and

expect more to come in over the weekend.

The city of Pocatello and Bannock County opened their emergency operations centers.

Meanwhile, off-duty county employees from the Road and Bridge Department and all sheriff's deputies were called in to help.

North Idaho vet: Last in parade no place for his jeep

COEUR D'ALENE (AP) — Last in the July 4th parade is no place for a 1941 slat-grill World War II jeep.

That's the opinion of a Coeur d'Alene resident who owns the vintage military vehicle.

George Schaefer, a Navy veteran stationed at sea during the Korean War, pledged not to endure the indignity of being stuck at the rear for a second straight year by organizers of the coming Independence Day cavalcade down Sherman Avenue.

As a result, Schaefer says he'll simply stay home in protest.

He told the Coeur d'Alene Press, "It's up front or nothing. Last year they put us in the back with the Obama people. We're not going to go

through that again?"

Schaefer and some of the men who marched with his vehicles, including a medical ambulance, in the 2008 parade near the rear cite problems with "peaceniks" marching nearby in what was a heated election year.

"There was almost a fist fight," said Tom Lunsford, Schaefer's ambulance driver.

Schaefer says the Coeur d'Alene Chamber of Commerce, which hosts the parade, told him he has to be at the back of the line because he doesn't belong to a group like the Veterans of Foreign Wars or American Legion, groups where veterans pay fees to be a member.

Brenda Young, the parade coordinator, didn't immediately return a phone call Saturday from The Associated Press seeking comment.

But private groups can exclude whomever they wish from marching with them.

If a non-member like Schaefer wants to march with any of them, he or she must follow the club's rules — and some club members say Schaefer simply refuses to play along.

"We'd love to have (Schaefer) ride with us," said Dusty Rhoads, longtime member of Coeur d'Alene's Veteran of Foreign Wars post.

Idaho AG tells Lewiston to stop using inmate labor

LEWISTON (AP) — The Idaho attorney general said the city of Lewiston has been using inmate labor in violation of public works contractor laws and wants the practice stopped.

The city, however, is disputing conclusions drawn by Deputy Attorney General Patrick J. Grace, who represents the Idaho Division of Building Safety.

Grace wrote last month, "The Division of Building Safety has received numerous complaints."

But the city contends the projects where inmates are involved are being done by city employees, with inmates brought in for manual labor.

City Attorney Don L. Roberts told the Lewiston Tribune, "I do not believe the public works contracting law or...Idaho Code prohibits the city from determining who they should hire for temporary or part-time employees."

Talks between the two sides continue, but Roberts said that attorney general's opinions like the one from

Grace aren't binding on the city.

If agreement isn't reached, a hearing can be conducted by the Public Works Licensing Board and that decision would be binding, although it could be appealed by either side.

The issue arose after several contractors in recent months protested the city's decision not to put projects out to bid. The city argues some work can be done more cheaply by doing the work internally, though it frequently takes longer.

Amid the dustup, the city has used money budgeted for inmate labor to hire temporary employees for up to 18 months at a salary of \$10 an hour and no benefits.

Eight people have been hired, City Manager John C. (Jay) Krauss said, but the inmates continue to do some work for the Public Works and Parks and Recreation departments.

"We came to realize we could couldn't eliminate them completely," Krauss said.

Pregnant women's death after fire ruled murder

MOSCOW (AP) — Police in northcentral Idaho are treating the death of a pregnant school teacher found in her charred duplex as a murder after concluding she died before the blaze consumed her home.

Moscow resident Sarah J. Parks, who was 28, died Wednesday. Authorities say this is a double homicide, due to her 20-week-old fetus.

An autopsy showed that Parks was already dead when the fire started.

Moscow Police Department detectives haven't ruled out any suspects.

Moscow Police Lt. Paul Kwiatkowski told the Lewiston Tribune that Parks' husband, Silas Parks, was at a local gym at the time of the fire.

Idaho law was changed in 2002 to include human embryos or fetuses in its definition of murder.

"They are considered

human beings under Idaho's homicide statute," Latah County Prosecutor William Thompson Jr. said.

According to Idaho court records, Silas Parks, from Kendrick, Idaho, was charged in 2006 with domestic abuse and battery.

A church counselor reported the incident, where Silas Parks grabbed Sarah Parks by the arms and pushed her to the floor of their residence.

He later pleaded guilty to a reduced charge of disturbing the peace and paid a \$159 fine, court records show.

Authorities say the fire was of "suspicious origin."

It largely destroyed the duplex where Parks' body was found in bed on the lower floor of the building. The condition of Parks body has made it difficult for medical examiners to determine whether she suffered any trauma prior to the fire, Thompson said.

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Litter of lynx kittens heartens Colo. biologists

DENVER (AP) — The discovery of 10 lynx kittens this spring marks the first newborns documented in Colorado since 2006, heartening biologists overseeing restoration of the mountain feline.

The tuft-eared cats with big, padded feet were native to Colorado, but were wiped out by the early 1970s by logging, trapping, poisoning and development. They are listed as threatened on the endangered species list.

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China's reliance on exports sparks trade complaints

By David Pierson
Los Angeles Times

BEIJING — Fearing a deepening downturn, China's government is using its muscle to prop up the nation's economy. It's encouraging banks to lend. It's investing billions in infrastructure. It's stockpiling key raw materials. And it's placing restrictions on

purchases of foreign goods. Those measures have helped keep China growing faster than any other major country. Its economy is projected to expand by 7.2 percent this year, according to a recent World Bank estimate. But China's efforts to keep its citizens employed and avoid social upheaval are raising tensions with its trading partners and rein-

forcing its dependence on exports. This week the U.S. and Europe lodged a complaint with the World Trade Organization accusing China of restricting exports of zinc, coke and other raw materials needed to manufacture steel. The Chinese are protecting domestic manufacturers, competitors said, by allowing them to get

first crack at much-needed raw materials at bargain prices. China has rejected the complaints, saying limits on raw-material exports were put in place to protect its resources and the environment. They also fired back through the WTO by challenging a U.S. ban on Chinese poultry. Western nations are encouraging China to help

balance international trade by using the lull in global demand to spur more domestic consumption and to create a more labor-intensive, service sector. China's exports fell 26.4 percent in May from a year earlier — after a 22.6 percent drop in April. Foreign direct investment, another engine traditionally tied to China's growth, fell 17.8 percent in

May from a year earlier, marking the eighth consecutive month of declines. But weaning China from its reliance on exports won't be easy. The central government has staked its legitimacy on spreading prosperity, and the manufacturing sector employs tens of millions of workers.

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“The U.S. had to screw something up to lose the dominance of the dollar, and you could argue that the U.S. starting a global financial crisis is a pretty big screw-up.”

— C. Fred Bergsten, director of the Peterson Institute of International Economics —



FADING OF THE DOLLAR'S DOMINANCE

Financial crisis has pushed debate about future of U.S. dollar

By Anthony Faiola
The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — The days of calling the dollar almighty may be numbered. Since World War II, when the dollar eclipsed the British pound as the king of world currencies, the United States has reaped the rewards of its monetary strength. The greenback's sense of indestructibility allowed the U.S. government to borrow cheaply and gave rise to an era of rich Americans.

But the financial crisis that started in the United States is dramatically intensifying the debate over the future of the dollar, and whether it can, or should, remain at the top of the financial food chain. Although a meaningful shift away from the dollar is likely to take years or more, some analysts believe that the debate is now reaching a tipping point.

Last week, the leaders of Brazil, Russia, India and China — whose governments are some of the world's largest dollar holders — jointly declared the need for a “more diversified international monetary system,” sparking a drop in the greenback on world markets. In recent months, China in particular has led a campaign for a new world monetary order, arguing that the financial crisis

has exposed profound vulnerabilities in the U.S. economy and financial system. Those flaws, critics argue, show it is simply too risky for the world's central banks to rely largely on the dollar for their global reserves.

At the same time, Beijing has taken unprecedented steps to increase the international role of its own currency, the yuan, to a level commensurate with China's relatively new status as a major economic power. In the coming weeks, the International Monetary Fund — the institution charged with the monitoring and stability of the global economy — will issue a vast amount of currency-like assets known as Special Drawing Rights, which some analysts see as a long-term substitute for the hordes of dollar reserves being held by central banks around the world. Some now envision that the dollar will fall from its recent levels of 60 to 65 percent of international reserves to less than 50 percent a decade from now.

A diminishing of the dollar's global role has far-reaching implications for the United States. The value of the dollar versus other major currencies could markedly drop as it slips from supremacy, making millions of Americans overseas feel poorer while potentially fueling a new golden era for U.S. exporters as American goods become more cost-competitive. The U.S. government may also

be forced to pay higher rates to investors when selling, for instance, Treasury bonds to raise cash — making it far more costly in the future to cover the kind of massive stimulus spending the government is now undertaking.

“The dollar's global status has allowed the U.S. to have a free pass on financing our deficit as opposed to countries like Brazil, who are punished by international currency investors for risky behavior,” said Martin Weiss, author of the “Ultimate Depression Survival Guide.”

“But if the dollar is no longer the currency everybody wants or must have to continue doing business, that is going to be much, much harder to do.”

Despite the current campaign to lessen the dollar's role, analysts note that there has not yet been a major push by foreign governments or private investors to shed it. In fact, over the course of the financial crisis, the dollar — which had been on a downward trajectory for months — has actually strengthened against major currencies, including its closest rival, the euro.

That is partly because even nations like China — with the world's largest dollar-denominated reserves, at close to \$2 trillion worth — have shied

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GM retooling Ohio factory for small-car success

By Tom Krisher
Associated Press writer

LORDSTOWN, Ohio — As General Motors Corp. undergoes its transformation from big and slow to lean and fast in a New York bankruptcy court, a similar metamorphosis is under way inside a mammoth eastern Ohio factory that will make what arguably is GM's most important vehicle.

The 5-million-square-foot Lordstown complex about 50 miles southeast of Cleveland will start making the Chevrolet Cruze compact car early next year, and workers assigned to the factory's \$351 million retooling are well aware that they have no margin for error.

“We've got to get this right,” says Bob Vizzuso, a toolmaker who on Wednesday was testing machines that



Bob Richter loads front wheel house components for the Chevrolet Cruze at the GM Lordstown plant Wednesday in Lordstown, Ohio. The Lordstown plant is shut down for retooling.

AP photo

The productivity revolution trickles into government

Not long after taking over as secretary of energy, Steven Chu called in the top officials working on a program that had been one of his department's top priorities: providing government loan guarantees for \$80 billion in clean and renewable energy projects.

Congress had authorized the program in 2005, made the first appropriation the year after, and by the time gas prices reached \$4 a gallon last year, even the Bush administration was keen to move ahead. And yet by the time the new energy secretary called his team together early in 2009, not a single loan guarantee had been approved.

When could he expect the first one? Chu asked.

Last quarter of 2010, he was told.



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The incredulous new secretary declared that that would not do. He hired a management consultant, Matt Rogers, and announced that he would shake up his department's notoriously slow-moving bureaucracy.

It didn't take long. By March 20, Chu announced a conditional offer to guarantee a \$535 million loan to a California firm to construct a commercial-scale manufacturing plant for its cylindrical solar panels.

Last week, four utilities

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FULL LIFE



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A Full Life Addus Healthcare Inc., 164 River Vista Place in Twin Falls, cut the red ribbon with the Twin Falls Chamber's Ambassadors recently. They are a new member of the Chamber and provide non-medical in-home care services through the Magic Valley and Mini-Cassia area. Services include personal care, housekeeping, transportation, and more. Information: 733-9011 or (888) 626-0727 or visit www.afulllife.org. Pictured from left, Robin Rainwater, Danielle Wagstaff, Donnell Dye.

AFLAC INSURANCE



Courtesy photo

Larry Briggs has a new office for his AFLAC Insurance at 320 Main Ave. N. in Twin Falls. He recently cut the red ribbon with his fellow Chamber Ambassadors. Briggs is an active Ambassador with the Twin Falls Chamber of Commerce and has been providing AFLAC insurance coverage to residents in the Magic Valley for 10 years. Information: 735-9335. Pictured are Larry Briggs and Naomi Briggs.

O'CONNOR CONSTRUCTION

Roderick O'Connor, of Buhl, has recently started O'Connor Construction. Due to the high foreclosure rate in California, O'Connor left Idaho and spent the last year working for a California mortgage company, finishing abandoned house structures, overseeing and working on framing, drywall, electrical, plumbing, cabinetry, flooring, and concrete. In addition to being a certified home inspector, he has more than 30 years home repair and remodeling experience and specializes in tile, cabinetry, framing, concrete, painting and room additions and renovations.

O'Connor Construction offers licensed contractor skills at handyman prices. Jobs are being accepted starting July 1. Information: 543-9200 or occonorconstruction@earthlink.net.

Free O'Connor Construction kitchen magnets are being offered at Jones Hardware in Buhl or by calling the office.



PARKE'S FUNERAL HOME



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Parke's Funeral Home and Crematory and Twin Falls Cemetery celebrated with the Twin Falls Area Chamber's Ambassadors with a red ribbon cutting. They were celebrating new life and ownership of the funeral home with Mike and Catherine Parke. Parke's Funeral Home and Crematory is located at 2551 Kimberly Rd. in Twin Falls. They can assist families in planning a funeral and choosing the options that suit their needs and their loved ones wishes. They also provide pre-planning, online memorials, obituaries, veteran's benefits, social security, death certificates and after care services. Information: 735-0011 or visit www.magicvalleyfuneralhome.com. Pictured from left, Mike Parke, owner; Elizabeth Parke, daughter; and Catherine Parke, owner.

CSI MAGAZINE



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Blip Printers employee Jared Sansom uses a densitometer to verify and adjust ink densities from one of the first sheets of the College of Southern Idaho's new Graphic Design Review magazine. CSI Graphic Design students created the covers and ads and researched and wrote the print industry related articles for the annual publication. Blip Printers donated the pre-press and printing services as well as materials and labor. CSI students were also encouraged to be involved in the publishing process. Paper was donated by West Coast Paper and plates were donated by the Eastman Kodak Company. The magazine is distributed to schools and colleges and is used as a recruiting tool for CSI's Graphic Design program. Pictured from left, next to Sansom, are CSI Digital Media instructor Teresa Sept, CSI student Rachel Lowe, and Blip pressroom assistant Jake Bowen. Information: 732-6301 or visit http://it.csi.edu/computer_graphics.

St. Luke's lab gets accreditation

St. Luke's Magic Valley Laboratory has been awarded an accreditation by the College of American Pathologists (CAP), based on the results of a recent onsite inspection. Receiving recognition for the "excellence of the services being provided," St. Luke's Magic Valley's lab's inspection included laboratory record examination and quality control of procedures for the preceding two years.

The CAP inspectors also examined the entire staff's qualifications, the lab's equipment, facilities and safety program. The stringent inspection program is designed to specifically ensure the highest standard of care for all laboratory patients.

The College of American Pathologists is the world's largest association composed exclusively of pathologists and is widely considered the leader in laboratory quality assurance. The CAP's Laboratory Accreditation Program is recognized by the federal govern-

ment as being equal to or more stringent than the government's own inspection program.

Information: Jody Tremblay at 737-2934.

Keady attends conference in Vegas

Karen Keady of Twin Falls returned from Las Vegas where she attended the International Esthetics, Cosmetics and Medical Esthetics Conference. The three-day conference consisted of advanced education in skincare and state-of-the-art skincare technology.

Keady attended master classes on skin analysis, LED light therapy, advanced anti-aging techniques, plus chemical peeling and organic treatments.

Scientific advances in age management and comprehension of this science and how it supports skin health is imperative in offering quality, results oriented skincare to clients.

Keady, a nurse and master Esthetician with national certification, owns and operates Tranquil Touch Skincare at 208-420-2558.

GOP: 'Where are the jobs?' from big fed spending

By Will Lester
Associated Press writer

WASHINGTON — Republicans concerned about the Obama administration's big spending on economic stimulus, energy and health care are asking, "Where are the jobs?"

"The president and Democrats in Congress claim this spending binge is necessary to put Americans back to work," House Republican leader John Boehner said Saturday in the Republican radio and Internet address. "They promised unemployment would not rise above 8 percent if their trillion-dollar stimulus was passed.

The administration was

wrong, Boehner said. "Unemployment has soared above 9 percent. And now the president admits that unemployment will soon reach double digits.

"After all of this spending, after all of this borrowing from China, the Middle East, our children and our grandchildren, where are the jobs?" he said.

Since President Barack Obama's stimulus plan to trigger job creation was passed, the economy has shed 1.6 million jobs. The administration has focused instead on its estimate that the stimulus has created or saved 150,000 jobs.

That estimate comes from a formula that uses government spending and tax cuts

to predict job growth. The formula has been used by Republicans and Democrats alike, but was built to predict, not count jobs. To count jobs, economists traditionally rely on Labor Department data on unemployment, manufacturing and construction activity, and county-by-county, state-by-state job reports.

White House spokesman Robert Gibbs said early this week that the president expects the nation will reach 10 percent unemployment within the next few months. In January, Obama's economic team predicted unemployment would rise no higher than 8 percent with the help of a \$787 billion stimulus program. The

unemployment rate in May reached a 25-year high of 9.4 percent. Obama aides have said that the economy took a turn for the worse since their initial forecast.

Boehner has seized on the administration's revised forecast. He predicted Democratic proposals on health care, stimulus and energy would all be bad for the economy.

He said Republicans have proposed improvements to health care and economic stimulus that are less intrusive and expensive than Obama's plans. And he criticized Democratic efforts to pass an energy bill that he described as "a national energy tax," which passed the House Friday.

CAREER MOVES

Brian J. Williams

Williams, Meservy and Lothspeich, LLP announced that **Brian J. Williams** has joined the firm as an associate. He will be involved in all of the firm's current practice areas. The firm is located at 153 East Main Street

Williams has a Bachelor of Arts degree from Brigham Young University and a Juris Doctor degree from the University of Idaho. He and his wife Megan reside in Jerome.



Williams

Stacey Bridges

Jensen Jewelers announced the graduation of **Stacey Bridges** from the Master Jewelry Salesman program.

Bridges has completed the required 12-week course and has received certification. The course involves extensive training in all aspects of fulfilling customer needs in the areas of diamonds, genuine stones, watches and all facets of jewelry making and repair.

Exports

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To keep the sector humming, China has raised tax rebates for exports seven times since August on thousands of items including shoes, toys and sewing machines. Export duties soon will be eliminated on some grains and steel wire, and nonferrous metals will have their duties halved.

China intends to retain its status as the world's factory floor. On Wednesday, Chinese oil giant Sinopec announced a \$7.2-billion takeover bid for Canadian oil and gas exploration company Addax Petroleum Corp. It has locked up oil deals with Russia and Iran and pursued mineral interests as well.

China's massive domestic stimulus plan centers largely on infrastructure projects heavily reliant on the raw materials the U.S. and European Union accuse China of stockpiling.

Bank lending also has

soared. State media reported that loose monetary policy is projected to result in an unprecedented 6.5 trillion yuan in new loans the first six months of 2009.

The World Bank, however, warned that the measures couldn't last forever and was unwilling to say that a sustained recovery was on the way.

"There are limits to how much and how long China's growth can diverge from global growth based on government-influenced spending," said Ardo Hansson, the World Bank's lead economist for China.

This month China's top economic planning body, the National Development and Reform Commission, ordered local governments to use only Chinese goods and services when spending money tied to the national stimulus plan.

Observers speculated that the move was a response to "Buy

American" provisions in the U.S. stimulus package.

"We are inching our way to greater protectionism," said Ben Simpfordorfer, an economist for Royal Bank of Scotland.

Some experts doubt that the trade spat will reverse the cooperative tone set during U.S. Treasury Secretary Timothy F. Geithner's visit to China last month.

"These things pop up on a regular basis," said Andy Rothman, an economist at brokerage and investment group CLSA Asia-Pacific Markets. "This is expected of a relationship getting bigger and deeper."

Still, economists say it is in the best interest of China and the U.S. to resolve their trade differences quickly.

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Pearlstein

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disclosed that they had been chosen for loan guarantees for next-generation nuclear reactors. And by the end of the year, the department expects to be pumping out the guarantees at the rate of several every month.

What Chu discovered is what corporate executives and management consultants have long known — namely, that there are tremendous efficiencies to be achieved by re-engineering the way that work is done. And significantly, it can be done even in government, without changing laws, firing lots of employees or outsourcing work to the private sector.

That is the same conclusion reached by McKinsey & Co., which published a report this week suggesting that the government could save \$45 billion to \$135 billion a year by increasing government productivity gains to match those of the private sector.

Tom Dohrmann, one of the authors of the study, said there are numerous examples of departments that have shown how it can be done. The Defense Department, for example, has recently reduced the amount of time needed to obtain security clearances for civilian employees from an average of 440 days to 40. And the Internal Revenue Service has reduced the average time to hire a new employee from 120 days to 15.

Such efforts are almost sure to take on more importance as the Obama administration moves to show its seriousness about reducing the budget deficit. Peter Orszag, the director of the Office of Management and Budget, tried to kick-start that effort earlier this month with a memo to all agency heads, ordering them to come up with a contingency plan for cutting spending by 5 percent next year. And in the next few weeks, Jeff Zients, the Washington business executive nominated to be the government's "chief performance officer," should begin knocking on the doors of Cabinet secretaries with some strategies for cutting costs by re-engineering processes and improving productivity.

According to department officials, Chu's success with the loan-guarantee program began when he turned his original question around and asked the staff what it would take to begin approving projects within three months.

The staff's response was to present Chu with a long list of laws and rules and standard procedures that had to be complied

with as part of the loan approval process, each one requiring weeks if not months to complete. On further inquiry, however, it turned out that, as secretary, Chu had the authority to waive, alter or expedite more than half of those. It was just that nobody up to that point had bothered to ask.

Rogers assembled staff members from all the offices involved and vested them, collectively, with end-to-end responsibility for the approval process. Up to that point, people had been focused only on their own narrow tasks, and when they were finished, they tossed the application over the wall to the next office. Once they started working as a team, however, they found that some of the work on each loan application could be done simultaneously rather than sequentially.

They also concluded that many of the reasonable requirements to ensure fairness, prevent waste, boost the fortunes of small business or protect the environment had been made unnecessarily onerous over the years as a result of the advice and interpretations of overly cautious lawyers. And in those instances in which team members were reluctant to expedite a particular function out of a fear of being called on the carpet, Rogers gave them personal assurances that he would take the heat if anything went wrong.

Energy officials concede that there were plenty of skeptics and naysayers, but most became enthusiastic converts to the new process. These days, it is not unusual to find members of the team working nights and weekends to meet Chu's ambitious deadlines.

Measuring performance, setting "stretch goals," tearing down silos, empowering front-line employees and encouraging them to take risks — for decades these have been the hallmarks of a productivity revolution that is only now beginning to take root in government.

But the lesson from business is also that the only way it works is with strong, consistent leadership and involvement from the top of the organization. In Washington, that means a president, a Cabinet and a White House staff that understand that it's not enough to come up with new and better policies if you don't have a government that can implement them efficiently and effectively.

Steven Pearlstein is a columnist for the Washington Post.

Factory

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link metal parts in the plant's new body shop. "If it doesn't look good, at our next station, we've got to figure out what's wrong."

GM has a lot riding on the Cruze, a sleeker, lighter and better-appointed replacement for the Chevrolet Cobalt, as it tries to enter a market that for years has belonged to the Honda Civic and Toyota Corolla.

To survive after its Chapter 11 reorganization, GM executives and workers know the Cruze, due in showrooms around May 2010, must sell far better than the Cobalt, an outdated model that has fallen far behind the Japanese.

Through May, GM has sold 44,829 Cobalts in the U.S., less than half the 97,505 Civics sold by Honda Motor Co. and the 101,708 Corolla/Matrix models sold by Toyota Motor Corp.

Most industry analysts expect the compact market to grow in coming years, with gasoline prices rising again and government fuel economy standards that will shift the market smaller by requiring the U.S. new vehicle fleet to average 35.5 mpg by 2016.

"It's going to sell," says Jim Graham, president of one of two United Auto Workers locals at the Lordstown complex, touting the Cruze's quality and estimated fuel economy of 40 mpg.

GM also is banking on selling more expensive versions of the Cruze with more options and more



The body shop at the GM Lordstown plant is shown Wednesday in Lordstown, Ohio.

AP photo

In many ways, the Cruze and its 43-year-old factory are symbols of what GM wants to become.

profit as people seek the same luxury items in smaller cars as they do in larger ones.

In many ways, the Cruze and its 43-year-old factory are symbols of what GM wants to become.

The car is has a far nicer interior than its predecessor, and GM engineers across the globe have tried to make sure that it performs well and is quiet and reliable.

In the factory, backhoes and jackhammers constantly pound on the old concrete floor, digging it up to reconfigure the assembly line, making it more efficient. More than

500 GM workers and 1,100 outside contractors are involved, setting up 800 robots that are either new or reassigned from closed factories.

They're replacing a 500-foot-long conveyor line with two shorter ones that will keep workers closer to the line and cut the amount of walking they must do to fetch parts. Under the new system, preassembled parts will come down the line with the car bodies for installation. On the Cobalt line, workers constantly have to return to benches for parts, taking away time on the line and cutting productivity.

"They're not wasting any time walking or moving material around," said Michele Lambert, manager of the Cruze launch.

Although the plant will be more productive, it still will employ about 2,200 workers, about the same as it has now. The increased productivity will be absorbed into the Cruze line, which has more complex interiors and safety features than the Cobalt. Also, GM is moving assembly of items such as the steering column or instrument panel back into the assembly plant, saving millions of dollars in transportation costs from parts suppliers, plant manager John Donahoe said.

"You've eliminated all of the logistical costs of your material movement, which is very expensive," Lambert said.

Dollar

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empire crumbled, was devastated by two world wars and saw the United States emerge as the world's dominant superpower.

By the same token, economists see the current financial crisis, and the doubts it has raised about the U.S. economy, as accelerating the creation of a new economic order. The easy monetary policy embraced by the Federal Reserve to spark a recovery — including zero-interest rates and the printing of cash to support stimulus spending — is also working against the strength of the dollar.

This has left room for rising nations such as China to seize a broader role in the global monetary system. Though the Chinese currency remains largely non-convertible — meaning it cannot easily be used in international transactions — Beijing has taken steps to sign currency exchange agreements worth \$95 billion with South Korea, Malaysia, Indonesia, Belarus, Hong Kong and Argentina. Brazil and China announced in May that they are exploring a similar agreement.

Though it may take years before such agreements have any real impact on the dollar, they are coming at a time when governments around the world may find another potential substitute

for their dollar reserves: the IMF's Special Drawing Rights.

The SDRs are a currency-like asset whose value is based on the dollar, the pound, the euro and the yen. They have been issued by the IMF, albeit in highly limited form, since the 1960s to aid nations in need of reserves. In April, however, world leaders including President Obama agreed at an economic summit in London that SDRs should now be used to help stabilize the balance sheets of nations struggling to combat the current crisis.

As a result, the IMF is now set to "print" \$300 billion worth of SDRs — 10 times more than currently exist — for distribution to nations

around the globe. They will effectively be held as reserve deposits by each nation's central bank.

Some, like Bergsten, have argued the SDRs' role should be taken a step further, allowing them to serve as a de facto global reserve currency. Bergsten has advocated, for instance, the idea of nations such as China "trading in" their dollars for SDRs, allowing for an orderly transition away from the greenback without causing a sharp fluctuation in the dollar's market value.

"Like it or not, the dollar is going to lose some of its global status," Bergsten said. "So maybe it's time we just accepted that and figured out the best and most orderly way to make that happen."

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Customers hit with new fees as banks try to recover

By Nancy Trejos and Jonathan Starkey
The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — Your bank wants more of your money, and it's found a way to get it: by jacking up the fees on your account.

Customers are paying more to maintain a checking account and withdraw cash from an out-of-system ATM, and when they bounce a check. To make up for declining revenue, many banks are boosting fees and are requiring higher minimum balances for many accounts.

The institutions also have made it easier for customers to spend more than is in their accounts — and then hit them with substantial fees, a practice so vexing to consumer advocates that the Federal Reserve is thinking of regulating it.

Bank revenue has plummeted on the back of foreclosures and rising credit card delinquencies.

Now Congress has passed a law cracking down on arbitrary and excessive credit card fees. So the banks have

been fighting back. "There is an economic storm that has made revenue fall," said Michael Moebs, an economist and chief executive of Moebs Services, an economic research firm in Lake Bluff, Ill. "Fee income is basically where banks and credit unions can offset both loan- and investment-related losses."

Bank of America this year raised the maximum number of times customers can get hit with overdraft fees from five a day to 10. On top of that, it began charging a one-time fee of \$35 if the account remains in the negative for more than five days. The bank also raised the monthly fee on My Access checking accounts to \$8.95 from \$5.95. Citigroup's Citibank last year increased its overdraft fee to \$34 from \$30 and its ATM fees for non-Citibank customers to \$3 from \$2. Wells Fargo also last year increased its maximum overdraft and insufficient funds fee to \$35 from \$34.

"The most consistent increases have been seen on punitive-type fees such as bounced check charges and

ATM fees, and those are the two categories of fees that are easiest to avoid," said Greg McBride, senior financial analyst for Bankrate.com, which tracks the banking industry.

In a study of fees last year, Bankrate.com found that the average bounced check fee rose 2.5 percent from 2007 to nearly \$30. The average ATM surcharge in 2008 was up more than 10 percent to almost \$2. To avoid monthly fees on accounts that pay interest, customers had to maintain an average of \$3,461.84 in their checking accounts, up 4 percent from the year before.

Banking officials said they are simply reacting to market forces.

"I think when you look at the whole — all of the fees overall — the landscape has changed and that has meant rising costs for our industry," said Anne Pace, a spokeswoman for Bank of America. "For the bank to continue offering competitive products and services, and making sure we are lending responsibly in the current environment, we have to

adjust our prices."

She added that in some cases, the bank changes have favored consumers. For instance, she said, the bank reduced the overdraft fee to \$10 an item if overdrafts in a day total \$5 or less.

Overdraft fees have become an important source of income for banks. Years ago, banks rarely approved point-of-sale debit transactions when the money to cover the cost was not available in the customer's account. The overdraft fee was used primarily as a penalty to keep customers from spending more than they had. Then they became too profitable for banks not to embrace. A 2008 Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. study found that insufficient funds or overdraft fees made up 74 percent of service charges on deposit accounts.

Moebs Services, which provides data to the federal government, estimates that overdraft revenue will reach \$38.5 billion this year. The median overdraft fee will be \$27.50 this year, up from \$25 last year, Moebs said.

Consumer advocates said

overdraft fees are a danger because they can quickly add up and eat into people's available cash when many are mired in debt. Banks too often charge disproportionately for the service, advocates said.

"The purpose of overdraft protection or courtesy over-

draft, as it's often called, is to turn something that's like a parking ticket into a profit center," said Ed Mierzwinski, consumer program director at the U.S. Public Interest Research Group. "The \$4 latte becomes the \$39 latte after the \$35 fee. Overdraft protection is a misnomer."

9 killed in Okla. turnpike pile-up

By Sean Murphy
Associated Press writer

MIAMI, Okla. — Two survivors of an Oklahoma traffic wreck that killed nine people when a tractor-trailer slammed into stopped cars were in critical condition Saturday.

Police said they will give prosecutors the results of their investigation to decide whether to bring any charges after the chain-reaction crash on the turnpike that saw some victims pinned in the wreckage for up to nine hours.

Twelve-year-old Andrea Reyes of Phoenix, Ariz., suffered head and internal injuries when her family's Land Rover that was crushed. She was in critical condition at Children's Mercy Hospital in Kansas City, Kan., the Oklahoma Highway Patrol said. Her parents, Ricardo Reyes, 39, and her mother, Ernestina Reyes, were killed.

Authorities said another survivor, Shelby Hayes, 35, of Frisco, Texas, was pinned in the wreckage of her vehicle for about two hours before being admitted to a hospital in Joplin, Mo., in critical condition. Two others with her, Randall Hayes, 38, and Ethan Hayes, 7, were killed.

Police said the other victims were Cynthia Olson, 55, of Crossroads, Texas, and Oral Hooks, 69, Earlene Hooks, 63, Antonio Hooks, 42, and Dione Hooks, 41, all of Oklahoma City.

The driver of the tractor-trailer, whom they identified as 76-year-old Donald Creed of Willard, Mo., was admitted to a Missouri hospital in good condition with head and other injuries.

Oklahoma Highway Patrol Lt. George Brown said a criminal investigation is under way, as is routine after a fatal accident, and blood was drawn from the truck driver. There was no indication alcohol was involved, he said.

Patrol Capt. Chris West said local prosecutors will decide if any charges are warranted after the investigation is complete.

An earlier crash had stopped eastbound traffic on the Will Rogers Turnpike on Friday when the big rig slammed into at least three cars, which then crashed into more vehicles, Brown said.

The turnpike's eastbound lanes were closed for hours after the accident, which occurred near the border with Missouri and Kansas.



AP photo

Pabst competes in the World's Ugliest Dog Contest at the Sonoma-Marin Fair on Friday in Petaluma, Calif. The toothy 4-year-old Boxer mix won top honors.

One heck of an under-bite helps Pabst become World's Ugliest Dog

PETALUMA, Calif. (AP) — A prominent under-bite, scrunched face and floppy ears are the hallmarks of a winner.

The winner of the World's Ugliest Dog contest, that is.

Pabst, a boxer-mix rescued from a shelter by Miles Egstad of Citrus Heights, Calif., won the annual contest on Friday at

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the Sonoma-Marin Fair in Northern California.

It was an upset victory for Pabst, who beat former champion Rascal, a pedigree Chinese Crested.

Pabst's owner took home

\$1,600 in prize money, pet supplies and a modeling contract with House of Dog.

Miss Ellie, a blind 15-year-old Chinese Crested Hairless, won the pedigree category.

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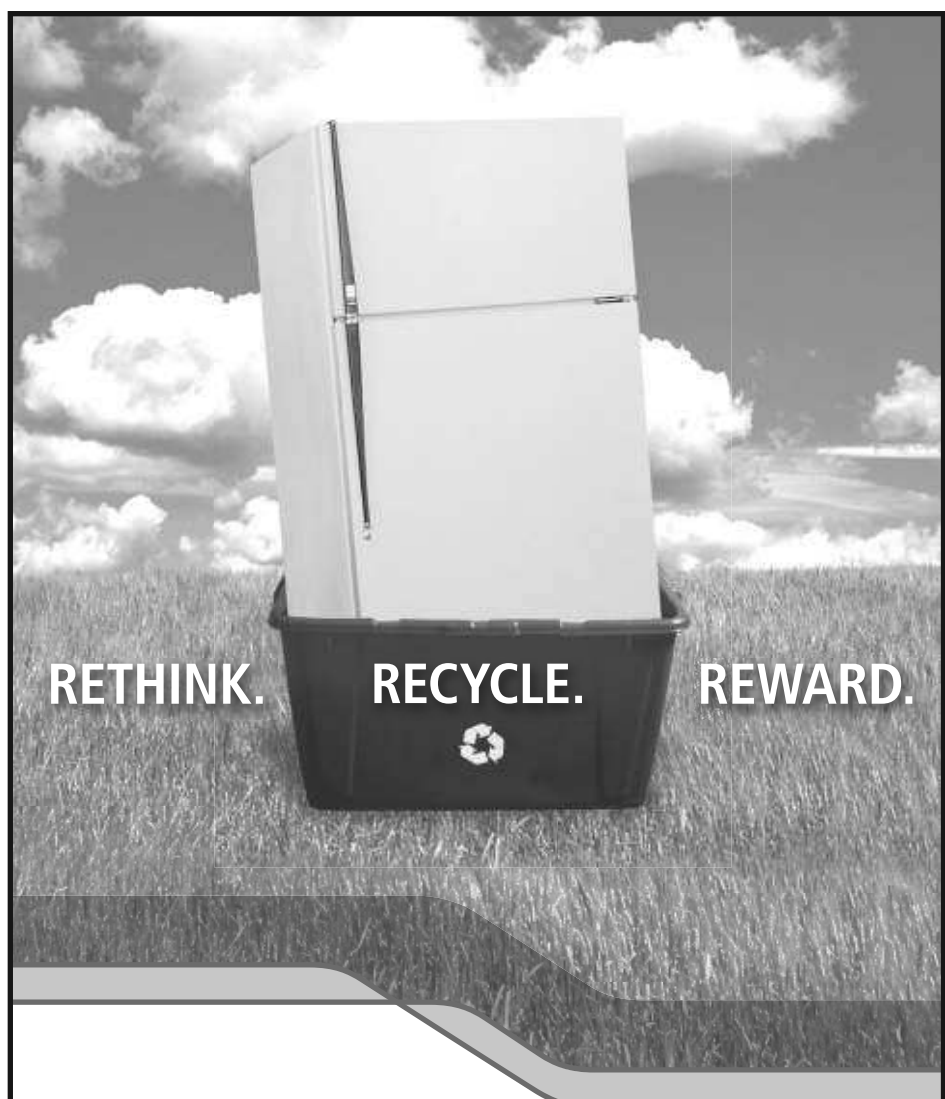
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Kentucky pastor welcomes guns, their owners to church

By Dylan T. Lovan
Associated Press writer

LOUISVILLE, Ky. — For one day, at least, it was OK to pack heat in church.

More than 200 people answered gun-toting Pastor Ken Pagano's call to celebrate the Second Amendment at New Bethel Church in Louisville on Saturday. There was just one rule for the several dozen who brought their guns along: No bullets.

"We are wanting to send a message that there are legal, civil, intelligent and law-abiding citizens who also own guns," Pagano said during the 90-minute event, which was open to the public. "If it were not for a deep-seated belief in the right to bear arms, this country would not be here today," he told the crowd, drawing hearty applause and exclamations of "Amen!"

The "Open Carry Celebration" included a handgun raffle, patriotic music and screening of gun safety videos. Some gun owners carried old-fashioned six-shooters in leather holsters, while others packed modern police-style firearms. Kentucky allows residents to openly carry guns in public with some restrictions.



AP photo
Jim Mitchell's pistol swings from his hip as he walks into church before the service at the New Bethel Church in Louisville, Ky., Saturday. The church invited people to bring their firearms — but no bullets — to Saturday's service.

"I just believe in the right to protect ourselves," said Liz Boyer, who had a bright pink Glock in a black holster at her side. The 41-year-old isn't a member of the church but teaches a class on gun safety for women at a local range.

Brittany Rogers, 23, feared guns as a child. But her fiancé encouraged her to go sport shooting with him about a year ago, and she said she has been hooked ever since. On Saturday, she brought her tiny Kel-Tec P-

32 to church.

"It was a fear of the unknown," Rogers said, "but now I love it."

Pagano's Protestant church, which attracts up to 150 people to Sunday services in a conservative neighborhood of southwest Louisville, belongs to the Assemblies of God. He thought up the event after some church members expressed concern about the Obama administration's views on gun control, though the president hasn't

moved to put new restrictions on ownership.

Across town, a coalition of peace and church groups concerned about Pagano's appeal to gun owners staged their own gun-free event.

"I think when people first learned about this invitation to wear guns to church, many people were deeply troubled," said Terry Taylor, one of the organizers. "The idea of wearing guns to churches or any sacred space I think many people find deeply troubling."

Madoff ordered to forfeit \$171 billion

By Tom McElroy
Associated Press writer

NEW YORK — Bernard Madoff would be stripped of all his possessions under a \$171 billion forfeiture order handed down only days before prosecutors seek to put the disgraced financier away in prison for the rest of his life.

U.S. District Judge Denny Chin entered the preliminary order Friday, ruling that Madoff must give up his interests in all property, including real estate, investments, cars and boats.

The forfeiture represents the total amount that could be connected to Madoff's fraud, not the amount stolen or lost, and the order made clear that nothing prevents other departments or entities from seeking to recover additional funds.

A call to Madoff's lawyer, Ira Sorkin, after hours Friday was not immediately returned. In a court filing in March, Sorkin said the government's forfeiture demand of \$177 billion was "grossly overstated — and misleading — even for a case of this magnitude."

The 71-year-old Madoff pleaded guilty in March to charges that his exclusive investment advisory business was actually a massive Ponzi scheme. Federal prosecutors say Madoff orchestrated perhaps the largest financial swindle in history.



Madoff

Acting U.S. Attorney Lev Dassin, who released a copy of the order Friday night, plans to seek a 150-year prison term at Madoff's sentencing Monday. Sorkin has argued in court papers for a 12-year term.

According to Friday's order, the government also settled claims against Madoff's wife. Under the arrangement, the government obtained Ruth Madoff's interest in all property, including more than \$80 million-worth that she had claimed was hers, prosecutors said. The order left her \$2.5 million in assets.

The agreements strip the Madoffs of all their interest in properties belonging to them, including homes in Manhattan, Montauk, N.Y., and Palm Beach, Fla., worth a total of nearly \$22 million. The Madoff's must also for-

feit all insured or salable personal property contained in the homes.

Other seized assets include accounts at Cohmad Securities Corp., valued at almost \$50 million, and at Wachovia Bank, valued at just over \$13 million, and tens of millions of dollars in loans extended by Madoff to family, employees and friends.

The judge's order also authorized the U.S. Marshals Service to sell the Manhattan co-op, properties in Montauk and Palm Beach and certain cars and boats.

At the time of Madoff's arrest, fictitious account statements showed thousands of clients had \$65 billion. But investigators say he never traded securities, and instead used money from new investors to pay returns to existing clients.

Prosecutors said the total losses, which span decades, haven't been calculated. But 1,341 accounts opened since December 1995 alone suffered losses of \$13.2 billion, they said.

"The sheer scale of the fraud calls for severe punishment," the prosecutors wrote in response to the defense motion seeking lighter punishment.

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Williams, Meservy & Lothspeich, LLP is pleased to announce that Brian J. Williams has joined the firm as an associate attorney. Mr. Williams has a Bachelor of Arts degree from Brigham Young University and a Juris Doctor degree from the University of Idaho. He and his wife Megan reside northeast of Jerome. Mr. Williams will be involved in all of the firm's current practice areas.

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Doris Jessie Ormesher Byerly

Doris Jessie Byerly (94) died Wednesday, June 24, 2009, at her home at Curry Retirement Estates in Twin Falls, Idaho.

She was born to Ted and Minnie Ormesher on Oct. 22, 1914, in Chadron, Neb. She was the third of five children. Doris graduated from Chadron High School and then received a teaching certificate from Chadron State Teacher's College. Deciding that teaching was not for her, she then attended the Bonnie School of Beauty Culture in Denver, Colo., and in 1935 received her certificate to be a hair-dresser.

She married Harland Byerly on Aug. 16, 1936. To this union two children were born: Ralph Byerly and Jolene Byerly Tuma. She and Harland raised their children in Chadron. After running her own beauty shop for many years, she then joined her husband running Byerly's Bakery. In addition to the family bakery, she and Harland bought and operated the Westerner Motel, Pony Trailer Court, and numerous rental properties in Chadron. After her husband's death in 1981, Doris continued to live in Chadron until her last years, when she moved to Twin Falls to be near her children. She continued with her many activities and hobbies and made numerous trips touring the world. She was a member of the Sabbath Rest Advent Church.

She is survived by her son, Ralph (Linda) Byerly, and daughter, Jolene (Charlie) Tuma. She is also survived by her youngest sister, Mildred Jones of Passo Robles, Calif.

Ralph and his wife, Linda,



live in Twin Falls. They have two daughters, Dagny Rapisarda and husband Joe of Milwaukee and Darcie Bobrowski and her husband Tom of Jerome. Dagny and Joe's children are Haley (11) and Ashlyn (8). Darcie and Tom's children are Nathan (20), Austin (13) and Christopher (2).

Jolene and Charlie live in Twin Falls. They have two children, Ted and Emily. Ted lives in Hailey. Emily and her son, Jaden (12) live in Twin Falls.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband; her brother, Ralph; and sisters, Louise and Lucille.

Doris requested cremation. A memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. Wednesday, July 1, at Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home in Twin Falls, Idaho. Inurnment will be in Chadron, Neb., alongside her husband, Harland. A memorial service will be held in Chadron at 10:30 a.m. Friday, July 10, at the Chadron Christian Church at Sixth and Ridgeview.

Donations should be made to a charity of your choice or to Hagerman Manna, which conducts cooking classes at various shelters and community centers in Magic Valley.

The family would like to express appreciation to Melissa, Ron, Barbara, Lora, Sharon, and all the wonderful caregivers at Curry Retirement and to St. Luke's Hospice.

Wallace Darrell 'Butch' Scellick

Wallace Darrell "Butch" Scellick, 81, of Twin Falls, passed away Friday, June 26, 2009, at River Ridge Retirement Center in Twin Falls, Idaho.

He was born June 21, 1928, at Deer River, Minn., to Frank and Lillian Scellick. Butch served in the U.S. Army from November of 1950 to August of 1952. He served five months at Camp Cooke, Calif., 16 months in Japan and six months in Korea during the War. Just before he entered the Army, on July 22, 1950, he married Shirley Erickson in Ephrata, Wash. Butch and Shirley moved to Twin Falls in November 1962, where he operated a service station. He was in business for 38 years and 15 of those years were in Washington State.

Surviving Butch is his loving wife of 59 years, Shirley of Twin Falls; two daughters, Lorna Mae Scellick of Boise, Idaho, and Carol Ann



Scellick (Brad) Mealer of Twin Falls, Idaho; a brother, Earl (Cecilia) Scellick of Ephrata, Wash.; and two sisters, Maxine (Bill) Pollack and Marlys Moak. Also surviving are three grandchildren, Jennifer Lerner, Megan Mealer and Jarid (Denise) Mealer; and five great-grandchildren, Jacob, Emily, Michael, Conley and Zakary.

Butch was preceded in death by an infant daughter; his parents, Frank and Lillian Scellick; and sister, Mavis Falstad.

At Butch's and his family's request, no services will be held. His remains will be scattered in Ephrata, Wash.

"Dad, We Love You, and You will be dearly missed."

Eloise Turner Olsen

Eloise Turner Olsen, 89, left this mortal existence to be reunited with loved ones the morning of Thursday, June 25, 2009.

She was born Dec. 16, 1919, in La Harpe, Ill. She was the fourth daughter of John Kenneth Turner and Grace Elizabeth Ritchey.

Eloise met Floyd Harry Olsen and they were married Sept. 5, 1937, in Kimberly, Idaho. Their marriage was later solemnized in the Logan Utah Temple. To this union were born six sons and a daughter. Floyd passed away April 27, 1987.

As an active member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, she served in various callings, including Cub Scout den mother, helping many of her own sons earn their Eagle Scout Award. She also received her den mother's key in the Cub Scout program. Eloise served as a worker in the Boise Idaho Temple with her husband for several years. They were privileged to serve a church mission together in the Manti and St. George areas.

She was a talented and gifted lady. As an expert seamstress, she duplicated fashions from magazines for her daughter's prom and



party dresses. Meticulous in her quilting, embroidery and crocheting skills, Eloise made many beautiful items for her family and friends including dollies, colorful afghans, and handmade Christmas ornaments. Eloise was a devoted stay-at-home mom and always put the needs of others ahead of her own. She loved to entertain and to play games especially with her grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, her three sisters and a half sister.

She is survived by her seven children, Kenneth (Jeannie), JoAnn Clark, J.R. (Susan), Roger, Robert (Carol), Jerry (Sheryl) and Stephen (Lana). Her greatest joy was her family, which includes 23 grandchildren and 37 great-grandchildren.

The funeral service will be held at 2 p.m. Wednesday, July 1, at the Kimberly Idaho Stake Center, 3850 N. 3500 E. in Kimberly, Idaho. Family and friends are invited to visit from 5 to 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, June 30, at Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home and from 1 to 1:45 p.m. Wednesday at the Kimberly Stake Center. Interment will be in the Twin Falls Cemetery.

Laura Pearl Poulton Horejs

Laura Pearl Poulton Horejs passed away peacefully at her home Monday, June 22, 2009.

She was born July 19, 1926, in Oakley. Upon graduating from high school, she attended Albion Normal School. She taught in schools in Gooding and later at CSI in the ESL program. Laura served in many callings in her church, as Relief Society president and stake Young Women's president, and she taught seminary for 11 years.

Her gentle spirit and love were felt by all who met her. On June 1, 1948, Laura married her beloved husband, Francis (Bud) Horejs. They were companions for 61 years. To their union were born five children, John (Elaine) Horejs of Phoenix, Ariz., Douglas Horejs of Salt Lake City, Utah, Valerie (Spencer) Williams of Twin Falls, Paula (Andrew) Skidmore of Alexandria, N.Y., and Lance Horejs of Newport News, Va. Also surviving are her 26 grandchildren; 29 great-grand-

children; her sister, Barbara (Louis) Durfee of Gooding; brothers, Beverly (Margaret) Poulton of St. George, Utah, Calvin (LuAnn) Poulton of Vernal, Utah, and Marvin (Gaynell) Poulton of Alpine, Utah. Her parents, Wesley and Mary Mormon Puckett Poulton; brothers, James (Melba) Poulton and Gail (Ethel) Poulton; and sister, Paloma (William) Clawson, preceded her in death.

The funeral for Laura will be held at 10:30 a.m. Monday, July 6, at the Twin Falls LDS 15th Ward Church on Hankins Road, with interment to follow at Sunset Memorial Park Cemetery in Twin Falls. Visitation for Laura will be held from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Sunday, July 5, at Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Road in Twin Falls, and 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. Monday at the church.

All services and arrangements are under the direction of the Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home of Twin Falls.



James William (Bill) Harris

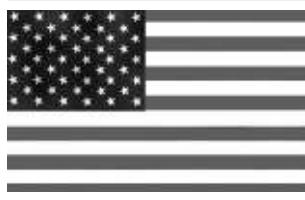
TREMONTON, Utah — James William (Bill) Harris, 94, passed away Thursday, June 25, 2009, at home.

He was born May 26, 1915, in Burley, to James Franklin and Lottie Bell Phillips Harris. Following the death of his mother, his father married Inez Babbit when Bill was 5 years of age. Bill was an Army veteran. Bill married his sweetheart, Barbara Cummins, on Aug. 9, 1941, in Rupert; their 68 years went by quickly. Barbara and Bill's marriage was solemnized July 8, 1954, in the Idaho Falls LDS Temple.

Bill and Barbara moved to Hawthorne, Nev., where Bill worked at the Naval Ammunition Depot for 30 years. They were blessed with two sons, James Dennis Harris and Mark Steven Harris. Bill served many positions in the LDS church. Bill loved fishing and cared for two parks and the cemetery while working at the Naval Base.

Bill and Barbara moved to Tremonton, Utah, on June 21, 1979, where Bill helped Mark Wood pick apples and helped John Garfield and Manuel Misrasi plant and pick tomatoes. At the age of 85, he retired to work in his yard and garden. He loved sitting on the patio enjoying his lovely yard.

He is survived by his loving wife, Barbara; his son, James Dennis (Tamara) Harris of Provo, Utah; a daughter-in-law, Amy DeMille; grandchildren, TeAhna Moyer, James



Dustin Harris, TaNaya Harris and Corey Steven Harris. He is also survived by two brothers, Wayne and Paul Harris; and two sisters, Shirley James and Edith Day. He was preceded in death by his son, Mark Steven Harris; granddaughters, TaLeah Harris and Sarah Danielle Harris; five brothers; and five sisters.

A funeral service will be held at 11 a.m. Monday, June 29, at the Tremonton LDS Stake Center, 660 N. 300 E. in Tremonton, Utah. Family and friends may call from 4 to 6 p.m. Sunday, June 28, at Rogers and Taylor Funeral Home, 111 N. 100 E. in Tremonton, and 9:15 to 10:40 a.m. Monday at the church. Interment will be at the Tremonton Riverview Cemetery, where military honors will be accorded. Online condolences may be expressed at www.roger-sandtaylor.com.

SERVICES

Fred Eugene Groen of Twin Falls, celebration of life at 1:30 p.m. today at Wood's Pavilion in Rock Creek Park, with potluck following the service (White Mortuary in Twin Falls).

Coy L. Burney of Van Nuys, Calif., and formerly of Twin Falls, memorial service at 3:30 p.m. today at the Burney gravesites in Sunset Memorial Park in Twin Falls.

Gordon Van Uitert of Clinton, Utah, and formerly of Twin Falls, celebration of life at 11 a.m. Monday at the Clinton LDS Ward Chapel, 2300 N. 2206 W. in Clinton, Utah; visitation from 6 to 8 p.m. today at Starks Funeral Parlor, 3651 S. 900 E. in Salt Lake City, Utah, and beginning at 9:30 a.m. Monday at the church; service and bur-

ial at 10 a.m. Wednesday at Gilliland Cemetery in Sweet Home, Ore.

Lyla Murphy of Tucson, Ariz., and formerly of Wendell, funeral at 2 p.m. Monday at the Filer Church of the Nazarene.

Tania Alarcon of Shoshone, Mass of Christian burial at 2 p.m. Monday at St. Elizabeth's Catholic Church in Gooding; visitation from 4 to 7 p.m. and rosary at 7 p.m. today at Demaray Funeral Service, Gooding Chapel.

Stanley LaMoine Slatter of Gooding, memorial graveside service at 11 a.m. Tuesday at the Elmwood Cemetery in Gooding (Demaray Funeral Service, Gooding Chapel).

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Gloria F. Ramos

BURLEY — Gloria F. Ramos went home to join her dad and her brother on Tuesday, June 23, 2009.

Gloria was born Feb. 25, 1956, in San Antonio, Texas, to Emilio and Rosa Ramos. She was the third of seven children. She attended schools in San Antonio and Burley, Idaho.

She met and married Willie Sapien Jr. in September of 1975 and in this union she gained three sons and together they had two daughters. They were later divorced.

In 1987, she met Jeff Redd and in this union they had a son.

Gloria was a strong and hardworking lady, sometimes taking on three jobs at a time just to make ends meet.

She was a devoted mother and grandmother. Her children and grandchildren were her life and always came first.

Gloria enjoyed reading (especially to her grandchildren), drawing, writing, arts and crafts, family dinners and just about anything else, as long as her babies were involved she was happy.

She was a humble person and was always there when you needed a shoulder to cry on. She didn't judge, she accepted everyone. She enjoyed the simple things in life and to be around her was



comforting. She used to say that if everyone on earth were the same, this world would be a very boring place. She was mom to just about everyone and a good friend to all.

She will be missed greatly by all who knew her.

She is survived by her lifelong companion, Jeff Redd of Burley; her daughters, Melissa (Gilbert) Salinas of Twin Falls and Leticia Sapien (Venito Trujillo Jr.) of Moses Lake, Wash.; and her son, Jeffery Ramos of Burley; three brothers, Emilio Ramos Jr. and Jesse Ramos, both of San Antonio, and George (Shellie) Ramos of Boise; two sisters, Dora Henderson of Twin Falls and Debbie Ramos of Burley; nephews, Joey Pesina (Kathy Alvarado) of Twin Falls and Ernie Ramos of Boise; niece, Sarah Pesina (Juan Saldivar); and grandchildren, Lexus, Alize, Daz, Jeff and Quincy. Gloria was preceded in death by her father, Emilio Ramos, and one brother, Ernest Ramos.

A funeral service will include a viewing from 6 to 8 p.m. Monday, June 29, with a rosary being recited at 7 p.m. at Little Flower Catholic Church in Burley. In lieu of flowers, contributions can be left with the funeral chapel staff or mailed to Hansen Payne Mortuary, 321 E. Main, Burley, ID 83318.

Nilene Turner

RUPERT — Our beautiful wife, mother, grandmother, aunt, sister and friend, Nilene Turner, age 61, of Rupert, passed away in her home on Wednesday, June 24, 2009.

Nilene was born in Shelley, Idaho, on March 23, 1948. She was the second child and only daughter of Nile and Norene Nalder Mitchell. Nilene spent the first few years of her life in Shelley, before moving with her family to Declo.

Nilene was the new little red head in town and quickly turned the head of 13-year-old Dale Turner. Nilene, however, was not immediately taken with the well-known class clown. She never would have imagined that she had met her future eternal companion. Dale and Nilene were sealed in the Salt Lake LDS Temple Jan. 26, 1970. Nilene graduated with a Bachelor of Science degree in child development and family relations with a teaching certificate in elementary education in May of 1971, from Brigham Young University.

After Nilene received her degree, she and Dale decided to start their family. They raised six beautiful children, Michael, Daren, Mitchell, Lisa, Jared and Scott. Nilene had the ability to focus on her family as well as her career. She began her teaching career at Overland Elementary in September of 1984, retiring 20 years later from Mountain View Elementary in 2003. Nilene put her whole heart into her family and her work. She touched many lives during her teaching career. She was a mother to everyone who knew her and inspired greatness in all of the people that surrounded her.

Nilene was a lifelong member of the LDS Church. She enjoyed being surrounded by her family, gardening, and entertaining people. Her ability to light up a room and fill it with laughter and love seemed effortless. She was truly beautiful



inside and out.

Nilene is survived by her beloved husband, Dale of Rupert; her six children, Michael (Barbara) of Syracuse, Utah, Daren (Jennie) of Tooele, Utah, Mitchell of Burley, Lisa of Boise, Jared (Melissa) of Logan, Utah, and Scott of Rupert; four wonderful grandchildren, Hillary, Jaidyn (Michael and Barbara), Tate (Darren and Barbara), and Blaise (Jared and Melissa); her mother, Norene Mitchell of Declo; her five brothers, Neldon (Susan) Mitchell of Spokane, Wash., Lynn (Jan) Mitchell and Dell (Susan) Mitchell, all of Declo, Brent (Karen) Mitchell of Rupert and Bruce (Elaine) Mitchell of Oakley. She was preceded in death by her father, Nile Mitchell.

The funeral will be held at 11 a.m. Wednesday, July 1, at the Declo LDS Stake Center, 213 W. Main St., with Bishop Tim Darrington officiating. Burial will be in the Declo Cemetery. Friends may call from 6 until 8 p.m. Tuesday, June 30, at the Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St. in Burley, and from 10 until 10:45 a.m. Wednesday at the church.

Dorothy Marie Bryson

Our precious Dorothy Marie Bryson (nee Stephens) went home to her Heavenly Father surrounded by family Wednesday, June 24, 2009. She will be remembered by all who knew her as an incredibly witty and giving person. Ever the practical woman, Dorothy insisted her obituary be short. We will honor her wishes, but can attest at length to her amazing spirit.

Dorothy was born to Otis and Ethel Stephens on July 21, 1917, in Cape Girardeau, Mo. Dorothy was one of nine children. She was 18 months old when her family moved to Eden, Idaho. She attended school in Eden and graduated from Eden High School in 1935. On Dec. 21, 1935, she married Earl Bryson. They had two daughters, Alice Louise and Wanda Jean. The Bryson family lived in many places while Earl taught school, but settled in Twin Falls when he became a firefighter. They were married for 57 years. Dorothy worked for a time at the Princess Vogue dress store and managed the lunch counter at Crowley's drug store.

Dorothy served as a member and one time chairperson of the Idaho Old Time Fiddlers' Association, as well as a member of the Twin Falls' Firemen Women's Auxiliary. She played piano in a country-western band and entertained many audiences across the Magic Valley.

Dorothy was preceded in death by her husband, Earl



Bryson; daughter, Alice McClain; her parents; two brothers and three sisters.

She is survived by her daughter, Wanda Montgomery of Boise; her brothers, Carl and Delmar Stephens; and her sister Violet Webb. She leaves behind her grandchildren, Richard McClain, Pauline Schiewe, Jonita (Gene) Schofield, Kevin (Joy) McClain, Steve (Kara) Casteel and Christine (Carmine) Fenicottero. Her greatest legacies are her 16 great-grandchildren whom she delighted in.

A service will be held at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, July 1, at Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home in Twin Falls, with burial to follow at the Hazelton Cemetery. A private viewing for the family will be held at 6 p.m. (just prior to the service).

The family would like to thank Dr. Moorehouse and Dr. Fortuin, for their expert care. We would also like to thank Intermountain Orthopaedics, Aspen Rehabilitation, St. Luke's Meridian Medical Center (telemetry and emergency services), and Hearts for Hospice for their generous and loving treatment of Dorothy and our family. Donations can be made to a charity of choice in Dorothy's name.

C. Grant Richins

OREM, Utah — C. Grant Richins, 87, died Tuesday, June 23, 2009, at his home in Orem, Utah.

Born May 9, 1922 in Burley, Idaho, to William Alma and Martha DeLois (nee' Hunter) Richins, Grant was an Air Force military pilot, soil scientist, longtime farmer, barbershop singing enthusiast and a lifelong LDS Church member.

A 1940 graduate of Burley High, Grant attended Brigham Young University and served as an Army Air Corps bomber pilot during World War II. He graduated from BYU with a Bachelor of Science degree in agronomy and, in 1947, married Vivian Haws of Provo in the Salt Lake City LDS Temple. Grant worked for the U.S. Soil Conservation Service in Washington State's Puget Sound region and the Idaho Falls, Idaho, area before settling in the Pella community near Burley.

Grant was a founding member of the Snake River Flats men's barbershop chorus and sang tenor in several quartets. He served on Idaho's Governor's Advisory Council on Developmental Disabilities and as an advocate for the developmentally disabled. Active in the LDS Church, he served many years in teaching and leadership positions.

An innovative dairy farmer, Grant also raised beef cattle and Appaloosa horses, and was an accomplished carpenter and

woodworker. He enjoyed hunting, camping, horseback riding and working the earth.

Grant and Vivian Richins retired from farming in 1978 and lived in northern Idaho at Cataldo, then Wallsburg, Utah, where Vivian passed away in 1997. Since that time, Grant has resided in Orem, being cared for by a son and daughter-in-law. We express our sincere gratitude to the many hospice caretakers who attended so well to his needs.

Grant was preceded in death by his wife, Vivian; daughter, JoLynn; and sons, Keith and Lloyd.

He is survived by his sister, LaDene Kolster of Logan, Utah; sons, Gary H. Richins (Marcia) of American Fork, Utah, G. Reed Richins (Gaye) of Medina, Ohio, and Russell D. Richins (Diane) of Orem, Utah; daughters, Raquel (Mark) Larson of Spokane, Wash., and Paige (Clay) Hansen of Saratoga Springs, Utah; 18 grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

A funeral service will be held at 11 a.m. Monday, June 29, at the Orem Lakeview 6th Ward building, 2168 S. 140 W. in Orem, Utah. Friends may call one hour prior to the service.

Interment will be at 1:30 p.m. Tuesday, June 30, at View Cemetery, 690 E. 600 S. in Burley, Idaho. Condolences may be sent to info@bergmortuary.com.



Dwaine Albert Mangum

Dwaine Albert Mangum, 67, of Twin Falls, Idaho, passed away Wednesday, June 24, 2009, in an automobile accident.

Dwaine was born Nov. 20, 1941, as the fifth child of Cecil and Edith Mangum. He was raised in Teton Valley, where he met and married Glenda Park on Jan. 11, 1963. Together, they had three children before divorcing in 1988. Dwaine worked many jobs in his life including farming, the Army National Guard, mechanic work, tow truck operator, auto sales, long and short haul trucking, pivot sales and construction. When not working, he loved spending time with friends and family. He was also a longtime member of the Elks Lodge and is a past Elk of the Year for the Blackfoot Chapter.

Dwaine is survived by his brother, Vergil (Toni) Mangum of Terreton; sister, Mary Ellen (Lee) Graham of Washington, Utah; three children, Jim (Michele)



Mangum of Idaho Falls, Sheree (Bryan) Sprague of American Falls and Jeremy (Lisa) Mangum of Blackfoot; six grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents, Cecil and Edith Mangum; and brothers, Donald and Marion Mangum.

A memorial service will be held at 3 p.m. Tuesday, June 30, at the Blackfoot Elks Lodge, 123 N. Ash St., with burial on Wednesday at the Hyrum City Cemetery in Hyrum, Utah. In lieu of flowers, the family will accept donations towards final expenses or ask that you donate to a charity of your choice in Dwaine's memory. Dwaine had a love for life and a knack for making friends wherever his travels took him. He was known and loved by many and will be missed greatly. Condolences for the family can be e-mailed to dwaine-memorial@gmail.com.

DEATH NOTICES

Jan D. Ruhter

Jan Dee Ruhter, 58, of Twin Falls, died Friday, June 26, 2009, at the University of Utah Medical Center in Salt Lake City, Utah.

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

Richard D. Kirsch

KIMBERLY — Richard Denis Kirsch, 66, of Kimberly, died Friday, June 26, 2009, at Oak Creek Rehabilitation Center in Kimberly.

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

Phyllis G. Culver

Phyllis G. Culver, 90, of Twin Falls, died Saturday, June 27, 2009, at St. Luke's Magic Valley Medical Center in Twin Falls.

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

Donald Wardell

Donald Wardell, 85, of Twin Falls, died Saturday, June 27, 2009, at his home.

Arrangements will be announced by Reynolds Funeral Chapel of Twin Falls.

Connie R. Grimes

GOODING — Connie Rae Grimes, 63, of Gooding, died Saturday, June 27, 2009, at her home. Arrangements will be announced by Demaray Funeral Service, Gooding Chapel.

Dorothy M. Lehman

Dorothy Marie Lehman, 94, of Twin Falls, died Thursday, June 25, 2009, at the Cenoma House in Twin Falls.

A celebration of her life will be held at 2 p.m. Tuesday, June 30, at Reynolds Funeral Chapel, 2466 Addison Ave. E. in Twin Falls; visitation from 4 to 8 p.m. Monday at the funeral chapel.

Naturalist Craig Tufts, 62, dies

The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — Craig Tufts, a naturalist who saw every back yard as a potential haven for wildlife, died Sunday at his home in suburban Middleburg, Va. He had brain cancer. He was 62.

As chief naturalist of the National Wildlife Federation, Tufts was the most visible advocate for its highly popular Backyard Wildlife Habitat program. Since the program's inception in 1973, more than 120,000 private gardens across the United States have been certified as being wildlife friendly after owners followed the environmental group's guidelines.

Tufts, who worked for the Reston, Va.-based organization for almost 33 years, did not start the Backyard Wildlife Habitat program, but he refined it and gave it national prominence. He developed its

guidelines and promoted it through speaking engagements and frequent media interviews.

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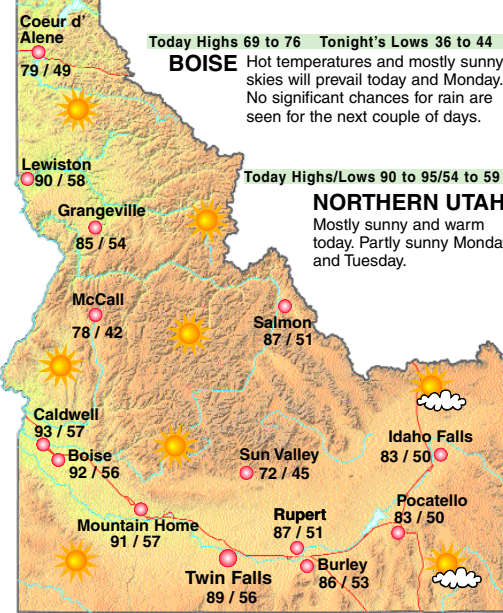
Tomorrow: Warm and partly sunny. Highs 80 to 85.

ALMANAC - BURLEY

Table with 2 columns: Temperature and Precipitation. Rows include Yesterday's High/Low, Normal High/Low, Record High/Low, and Water Year to Date.

IDAHO'S FORECAST

SUN VALLEY, SURROUNDING MTS. Mostly sunny and dry today. Remaining dry Monday and Tuesday with some build-up of afternoon clouds.



Yesterday's State Extremes - High: 86 at Lewiston Low: 27 at Stanley weather key: su-sunny, pc-partly cloudy, mc-mostly cloudy, c-cloudy, th-thunderstorms, sh-showers, r-rain, sn-snow, fl-furries, w-wind, m-missing

TWIN FALLS FIVE-DAY FORECAST

Five-day forecast table for Twin Falls with columns for Today, Tonight, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday, including weather icons and high/low temperatures.

ALMANAC - TWIN FALLS

Table with 3 columns: Temperature, Precipitation, Humidity, Barometric Pressure, Sunrise and Sunset, and Pollen Count.

Moon Phases table showing First, Full, Last, and New moon dates for June and July.

Moonrise and Moonset table showing times for Today, Monday, and Tuesday.

REGIONAL FORECAST

Regional forecast table listing cities like Boise, Bonners Ferry, Burley, Challis, Coeur d'Alene, Elko, Eugene, Gooding, Grace, Hagerman, Hailey, Idaho Falls, Kalispell, Jerome, Lewiston, Malad City, Malia, McCall, Missoula, Pocatello, Portland, Rupert, Rexburg, Richland, Rogerson, Salmon, Salt Lake City, Spokane, Stanley, Sun Valley, and Yellowstone with their respective weather and temperature forecasts.

NATIONAL FORECAST

National forecast table listing cities like Atlanta, Baltimore, Billings, Birmingham, Boston, Charlotte, Charleston, Chicago, Cleveland, Denver, Des Moines, Detroit, El Paso, Fairbanks, Fargo, Honolulu, Houston, Indianapolis, Jacksonville, Kansas City, Las Vegas, Little Rock, Los Angeles, Louisville, Memphis, Miami, Milwaukee, Nashville, New Orleans, New York, Oklahoma City, and Omaha with their respective weather and temperature forecasts.

Yesterday's Weather

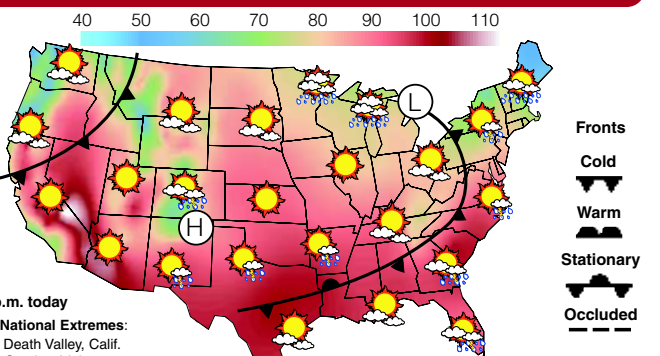
Table listing weather for various cities including Boise, Challis, Coeur d'Alene, Idaho Falls, Jerome, Lewiston, Lowell, Malad City, Malia, Pocatello, Rexburg, Salmon, Stanley, and Sun Valley.

U.V. INDEX table showing Low, Moderate, and High levels with a sun icon and a note about sun protection.

WORLD FORECAST

World forecast table listing cities like Acapulco, Athens, Auckland, Bangkok, Beijing, Berlin, Buenos Aires, Cairo, Chennai, Chicago, Copenhagen, Dallas, Delhi, Dhaka, Dubai, Frankfurt, Geneva, Hong Kong, Houston, Istanbul, Jakarta, Johannesburg, Kuala Lumpur, London, Los Angeles, Madrid, Manila, Mexico City, Moscow, Nairobi, New Delhi, New York, Paris, Perth, Rome, Seoul, Singapore, Sydney, Taipei, Tokyo, Toronto, Vancouver, Warsaw, Wellington, and Zurich.

TODAY'S NATIONAL MAP



Gregg Middlekauff's Quote of the Day: "Don't judge each day by the harvest you reap, but by the seeds you plant." - Robert Louis Stevenson

Canadian forecast table listing cities like Calgary, Cranbrook, Edmonton, Kelowna, Lethbridge, Regina, Saskatoon, Toronto, Vancouver, Victoria, and Winnipeg.

Jailhouse links in La. is focus of show on Golf Channel

"They learn how to care for the plants, the greens. They also learn about the herbicides, the mowing, the varieties of grass, the use of sand and even drainage." - Angola warden Burl Cain, on how the golf course helps prisoners

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NEW ORLEANS (AP) - A golf course tucked among 18,000 acres in Louisiana's scenic Tunica Hills would seem an ideal vacation getaway if it was not on the grounds of the sprawling Louisiana State Penitentiary.

The only course inside the confines of a U.S. prison captured the attention of the Golf Channel, which on Tuesday is highlighting the Prison View Golf Course in the "Golf in America" series set to air at 9 p.m. CDT.

The 10-episode series, which premiered earlier this month and runs through Aug. 25, chronicles more than 20 inspirational stories about golf and those who love the game. One episode follows soldiers who use golf for physical and mental therapy after returning from Iraq and Afghanistan. Another is about the rebuilding of a New Orleans golf course after Hurricane Katrina in 2005.

"Golf ends up allowing you to enter some really interesting places in the human experience," said Scott Walker, the correspondent who visited the prison for the series. "They are golf stories that transition into life stories."

Walker said producers were drawn to the golf course at the penitentiary - a series of prison camps employing more than 1,500 people on a former plantation at the isolated town of Angola - because of its uniqueness.

The prison's nine-hole course, with two tee boxes at each hole for an option to play 18 holes, is cared for by the inmates and is open to the public. The inmates are not allowed to play, but they are granted the opportunity to work the grounds as a reward for good behavior, said longtime Angola warden Burl Cain.

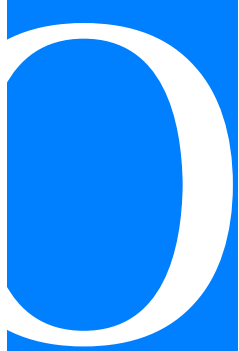
"They learn how to care for the plants, the greens," Cain said. "They also learn about the herbicides, the mowing, the varieties of grass, the use of sand and even drainage. It's very complex."

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Where's your governor?

After Sanford fiasco, most of the nation's governors eager to prove they are on the job

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Opinion

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EDITORIAL

Potholes? We'll think about them in 2011

There's a smugness among Idaho politicians whenever the subject of California — or any other state where economic calamity has produced a paralysis by analysis — comes up.

"You won't find that in Idaho," they say. Well, actually you can.

In naming a 15-member transportation task force last week to consider how best to raise new revenue for roads and bridges, Gov. C.L. "Butch" Otter said he wouldn't expect the panel's recommendations until after the 2010 election.

Which means no significant new funding for what Otter says is the growing \$240 million deficit in highway repair funding before 2011, at the earliest.

With 2010 an election year, the governor said, how can you expect significant progress on an issue as divisive as highways when politicians must face voters?

A better question is, why not?

California — whose government is on the brink of going broke — got into this mess by constantly refusing to make politically dicey decisions.

Its state Constitution requires a two-thirds vote by the Senate and House to pass budget bills. That's a formula for government gridlock.

The two-thirds requirement has made California's budget negotiations drawn-out affairs.

Lawmakers have missed the June 15 constitutional deadline to set a budget in 29 of the past 33 years.

Such impasses have often left California unable to meet its commitments, including payments to businesses that supply prisons, state hospitals and other facilities.

The latest stalemate held up state income tax refunds.

Delay, defer, deflect. That's politics as usual in the Golden State — and perhaps in the Gem State too.

Otter's decision to put off any significant action on highway repair funding for two years says two things about Idaho:

1. Neglect is now an official part of state transportation policy.
2. The current Legislature and governor are incapable of compromise on any issue with significant political risk.

It was not always so. Idaho actually used to make tough decisions in election years:

- In 1912, the Republican-controlled Legislature passed and Democratic Gov. James Hawley signed what amounted to a tax increase for many Idahoans by revising revenue collection laws and providing a new system of assessment, equalization, levy and collection of taxes.

- In 1956, lawmakers approved a constitutional amendment that in Republican-dominated Idaho effectively extended GOP Gov. Robert Smylie's tenure indefinitely by allowing governors to succeed themselves. The voters concurred that November.

- In 1988, despite strong opposition from heavily Mormon — and Republican — eastern Idaho, legislators authorized a vote on repealing the Idaho Constitution's ban on lotteries.

That fall, 51 percent of the voters agreed, and the first lottery tickets was sold the following summer.

All of the above entailed career-ending political danger. But elected officials acted anyway because they thought it was important to do what was right.

Transportation infrastructure is a core state responsibility, not some nice-but-not-necessary public sector fancy. By agreeing to take a powder on hard decisions about roads, the governor is shirking this responsibilities.

Our view:

Gov. C.L. 'Butch' Otter does not think the Legislature can make a difficult decision in an election year. If he's right, that's pathetic.

What do you think?

We welcome viewpoints from our readers on this and other issues.

Journal of a plague year



Photo courtesy National Archives

Clerks in Magic Valley stores, ministers who visited the sick and the healthy, those riding streetcars and everyone on the streets or greeting the public were told that they must wear the mask.

Ninety years before swine flu, Spanish flu devastated Magic Valley

(Editor's note: The following are excerpts from an article about the 1918-19 Spanish influenza epidemic published in the Fall 1988 edition of Idaho Yesterdays magazine. They are reprinted by permission.)

By Leonard Arrington

In the first days of October 1918, the front pages of Idaho newspapers were covered with reports of the collapse of the German army and the victorious advance of American, British, French and Italian troops (that would soon end World War I). On the back pages were occasional small dispatches from eastern cities telling of deaths from a virulent form of "Spanish influenza" at army camps and in large cities. A few isolated infections

began to be reported in Boise, Caldwell and Meridian. On Oct. 8 ... Idaho's State Board of Health issued a statewide order ... prohibiting all public assemblies "as a precaution." This included the closure of theaters, churches, town assembly halls and dance halls. All gatherings of a public nature were canceled, including election-year campaign rallies, Liberty Loan meetings, and dances. Schools were closed shortly thereafter ...

The first reported case of a person in Twin Falls County

coming down with the flu was on Oct. 10, when a person arriving from Portland, Ore., became ill. The children of the family were kept at home. The Lavinger Theater was dark and would not open again for five months. No churches held services, and meetings were suspended for the same period ...

SWEEPING BANNED

On Oct. 16, Mayor F.F. Bracken prohibited dry sweeping of the streets and sidewalks

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University of Wisconsin-Madison

Using genes resurrected from the 1918 Spanish flu virus, scientists have gathered new clues to why the virus spread quickly and killed efficiently. Adding the genes to a comparatively benign strain of influenza (left), shows that a minor genetic change can turn a mild form of the virus into a highly virulent strain.

Sometimes, we can't avoid making people angry

In Thursday's paper we reported that Twin Falls police had closed a three-week-old rape case in light of the death of the suspect. It was an article destined to upset some people. We knew this would be the case.

The facts are grim, but not in dispute: On June 5 Chance LeRoy Craig, 22, of Jerome shot himself as police were about to arrest him on suspicion of the rape of his former girlfriend in Twin Falls. He was pronounced dead the following day.

Relying on written police reports and information from Craig's obituary, reporter Andrea Jackson wrote a 12-inch article that appeared on page Main 4. Since then, we've received 15 e-mails or letters from 15 people asking why the story was a story at all. Some questioned why we noted at the end of the article that Craig was the grandson of College of Southern Idaho Trustee LeRoy Craig. Others accused us of insensitivity to his family or of sensationalism. No matter how we



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respond to those questions or comments, Craig's family and friends will never agree that the article needed to be in the paper. We knew that would be the case, as well.

As a matter of policy, the Times-News doesn't report suicides unless they happen in public or involve some broader newsworthy event. We do, however, report violent crimes against people, including rape, even when the news might be troubling to the family of the suspect.

We learned about the rape allegation just last week from people who accused the paper of ignoring or covering up a violent crime that, by some word-of-mouth accounts, had left the woman near death. People around town were asking our staff about it, and one woman in Missouri

even wrote a letter castigating the paper for not reporting the incident.

In tracking the source of the rumor, Jackson learned of the allegations against Craig, which had not previously been made public by police. While now closed, the case remains on the books as a credible report of a violent crime. The death of the suspect doesn't change that, nor does it lessen the victim's trauma or the community's interest in knowing what really happened to her.

Perhaps we could have addressed the rumor without naming the suspect, but that would have accomplished nothing. Anyone would connect the suicide of the accused with the same-day suicide of a young man whose funeral reportedly attracted 1,000 mourners. We noted Craig's family tie to the CSI board chairman for much the same reason: Readers would make an obvious link, whether we said it or not.

Some of our critics called the rape and suicide "a private matter" that should

have been left to the family to sort out. As much as we might sympathize with a family that has lost a loved one so young, it's hard to write off a violent sex crime as a private matter, particularly in light of the police investigation and persistent rumors.

The decision to publish the article was not made on a whim or with relish. If sensationalism was our goal, the bare-bones story wouldn't have appeared on page Main 4 with the relatively staid headline, "Police close rape case...Man under suspicion was apparent suicide?"

In fact, we debated how to handle the story long into Wednesday night, knowing that whatever we did — even if we published nothing — would be criticized. The Craig family has every right to be unhappy, but the bottom line is that we cannot report the news without occasionally making people angry.

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TIMES-NEWS

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Flu

Continued from Opinion 1

except immediately after the sprinkler had gone by. An editorial on Oct. 23 on "Further Prevention" recommended closing cigar store and hotel lobbies and other places where people congregated to talk or do business. The city physician, Dr. D.C. Weaver, was down with the flu. On that same date, there were 72 reported cases of flu in the county, 34 in the city, 24 in Hollister, 13 in Filer and one in Murtaugh, but there were only four deaths so far. An emergency annex was set up next to the county hospital, with 15 beds and two nurses. Within two days there were 100 victims of the flu in Twin Falls and 11 patients at the hospital annex. Four days later, 16 were in the annex. On Oct. 30, Twin Falls received the first shipment of bacterial vaccine that had been developed in Seattle — enough to vaccinate 120 persons. Eight new cases were identified during the day.

Kimberly ... had established a self-imposed quarantine under which no passenger was permitted to leave the train as it passed through the town, nor was any automobile allowed to stop there. No case of the flu had been reported in the community, and residents of the town did want one.

As the number of cases multiplied in the towns and cities around the state, the number of doctors and nurses was far too few to take care of the need. Society matrons, members of civic clubs, schoolteachers, church groups and other volunteers responded to the calls for help. Survivors remember neighborhood women entering homes where everyone in the family was down and drawing water, cooking meals, answering the telephone, scrubbing floors and administering such other assistance and comfort as the family might need. Schools, churches and clubs were converted into emergency hospitals ...

Hotly contested political campaigns had to be conducted in the newspapers since no rallies could be held. Anticipating crowds of people at the polls on Election Day, Nov. 5, the State Board of Health forbade crowding; voters were to come in singly and remain apart from others as they prepared to exercise their franchise.

The flu claimed its first victim in Buhl on Nov. 2, and showed no signs of abatement. Twin Falls had 23 new cases on Nov. 6, eight the next day and 10 on Nov. 9 ...

COSTLY CELEBRATIONS

With the signing of the armistice (that ended World War I) on Nov. 11, no thought seems to have been given to the possibility of contagion. "The lid is off!" as one person declared ...

... celebrations took place in nearly every Idaho community. Five thousand men, women and children paraded behind the Twin Falls band through the principal streets. The celebration

continued until well after midnight along Main and Shoshone streets. Buhl and Filer also had parades — and there was certain to be a tragic follow-up. Fearful of the outcome of this indiscriminate, unprotected mixing of people, alarmed members of the state and county boards of health issued strict orders that all future influenza cases be quarantined. All public meetings were deferred, all public telephones fumigated. All hotels, cafes, restaurants and other eating places were ordered to disinfect dishes, silver and utensils before using them. Similarly, barbers had to disinfect razors, brushes and towels. All buildings with influenza patients were to be placarded with signs that declared for all to see, INFLUENZA.

The epidemic did, in fact, progress with increasing intensity for several days. W.A. Minnick, the Twin Falls city clerk, on Nov. 14 reported 40 new cases in the city and 43 additional in the county. The emergency annex at the hospital was filled to capacity, and out of 60 patients at the hospital only two had died. No nurses were available to go to homes. The next day, Murtaugh was in the grip of flu and almost every family in town was affected. Fifty-six new cases at Hansen were reported. All in all, during the week after the armistice celebration, there were 120 new cases of flu in Twin Falls alone and new cases continued to develop on the average of 20 cases per day. Alarmed city officials set up stringent rules and regulations and ordered the police to see that they were enforced. The police force, bolstered with extra personnel, was placed at the disposal of health officials. There was to be a strict quarantine, buildings with ill patients must be placarded, absolutely no crowds would be permitted, there was strict prohibition against spitting on the sidewalks or floors; barber shops were to be policed to make sure of the strict enforcement of the rules on hot towels, brushes and razors; the same with dishes and other equipment in hotels and eating places; the public must cover up their coughs and sneezes. "Violators will be prosecuted." Customers would be admitted into grocery and dry foods stores at a rate of one customer to one clerk. There was a ban on loafing and congregating on streets corners, and the use of cigar trimmers in public places was to be discontinued.

The most controversial order was that requiring the wearing of a cotton gauze mask in public. Masks had been required in many cities in the East and on the coast and were thought to be an effective deterrent to spreading the disease. Local Red Cross volunteers made hundreds of them, and they were made available to stores at cost. Clerks in stores, ministers who visited



Arrington

the sick and the healthy, those riding streetcars and everyone on the streets or greeting the public were told that they must wear the mask ... They were stuffy and annoying and had to be removed in order to smoke, but health officials thought they were a must in preventing further outbreaks. In most Idaho cities, the regulation continued for several weeks ...

KEEP OUT

Minidoka County, where the epidemic was ferocious, was under quarantine and "It is impossible to get into the county, but easy to get out," said R.S. Madden, personal secretary to Gov. Moses Alexander. Guards were posted at all entrances to the county and people attempting to go in were told they could not do so.

Gooding County was also under quarantine, to last at least five more days. Twin Falls County was also continuing its general shut-down ...

Most ... cities in the state, including Nampa, Caldwell, Twin Falls and Pocatello, continued the quarantine for several weeks ...

An editorial on "The Flu" in one Idaho paper pointed out that the disease was highly contagious, ugly to treat and deadly in its effects; that there were more deaths from the flu than from military activity in Europe ... but fortunately Idaho had not suffered as much as crowded eastern cities. Those hospitalized represented only 5 or 6 percent of all those who were infected. The disease was continuing to spread in Idaho, particularly as servicemen returned home, and city and county schools still remained closed ...

The epidemic subsided during the first two weeks in December, and Twin Falls officials decided to reopen the schools long enough to administer serum to all the pupils — the cost to be split between the school district and the city. Regular opening of school was scheduled for Dec. 16, but as that time approached the epidemic was still serious enough that city officials postponed the opening until Dec. 30. Pockets of infection continued to develop.

Sixty-three cases, more than one-third of the total population, showed up in Jarbidge, Nev., on Dec. 17. Cases were reported of both parents dying, leaving their children orphans.

A BLEAK CHRISTMAS

Christmas came, and there was still no confidence that the epidemic was over. For the first time in 40 years, there was no public gathering or dance on Christmas at Rock Creek, Hansen and other Magic Valley communities. Nevertheless, health officials were certain that Christmas festivities would mean another outbreak in January, and they were right. On Jan. 4, 35 new cases of flu were reported in Twin Falls, 11 in Kimberly and nine in Hansen. Two

days later, there were 21 new cases in the city and 13 in the county. In fact, the number of new cases in Twin Falls was larger than for any day since the outbreak had begun the previous October, as was the case in Hansen.

On Jan. 7, the day Idaho's lower house ratified the Prohibition Amendment, there was a big debate as to whether to open the schools (or for those that had opened, to leave them open.) The people were divided, with roughly half wanting them closed and half preferring that they be permitted to open. The teachers wanted them open; health officials were leery. Filer voted on Friday to keep them closed and then reversed the decision for following Monday. Buhl decided to open them after six weeks of closure, as did Rogerson. Kimberly was having a difficult time deciding. Twin Falls schools had opened Dec. 30, and officials agonized about continuing. School officials reported that out of an enrollment of 2,300 pupils, they had an attendance rate of 87 percent and no cases of flu among those who attended.

Suddenly, there was a new wave of infection in Minidoka County. Hundreds of new cases caused Rupert to adopt a strict quarantine and ban on meetings. The high school was converted into a hospital; the schools went on a home-study basis. Similar, the epidemic was taking a heavy toll in Burley and Cassia County; there were 300 cases in the county, with an average of 50 new cases each day, and many deaths. There was some relief by Jan. 20, when the county reported only six deaths as against 15 the previous week and 10 new cases per day. Twenty patients were in the high school emergency hospital.

Burley decided to lift the ban on schools and public gatherings on Jan. 27 because 80 percent of the people had had the flu or

had been exposed and presumably had developed immunity. Thirty-five percent of the school children had had the disease (in some districts, the figure was as high as 90 percent.)

The pupils in Buhl, Filer, Kimberly and Hollister also returned to school on Jan. 27. It was no consolation to their parents to read in the papers two days later than Wendell was going through a siege and had opened an emergency hospital at its school building. Two hundred cases of the flu were reported in Hagerman, of which 22 had gone into pneumonia, and there had been five deaths. Families in the area were scattered, and local authorities organized scouting parties to visit each home in the region and help out families where everyone was stricken.

AT LAST, RELIEF

The epidemic in the Magic Valley had subsided by Feb. 1. There were no new cases in three days; the annex to the Twin Falls hospital had been vacant for a week. Twin Falls dispensed with the services of G.S. Dean, city health officer, who had served for nine weeks. Burley lifted its ban. The disease seemed to have had its run across south-central Idaho.

By the spring of 1919, most of the theories as to how the disease was spread were exploded. Masks were discarded, public gatherings were no longer a danger. Strict quarantine of premises where the flu existed and a subsequent thorough

fumigation seemed the best means of combating it. A few cases were reported throughout the rest of the winter and spring, but the second wave of the epidemic seemed to have concluded ...

There do not appear to be statewide statistics on the number of persons who died of influenza/pneumonia during 1918-19 ... reports from Montana, Utah, Colorado, Washington and Oregon suggest that the impact of the epidemic on Idaho was severe. Idaho had no Bostons or Philadelphia or Seattles, but the 1918 virus visited its infections upon rich and poor, farmers and factory workers, lumbermen and locomotive engineers. Doctors, nurses and hospitals were taxed as never before, every hamlet was stricken, every neighborhood lost children, parents and grandparents ... Health officials and the general public can be grateful that the mysterious virus which produced the epidemic ... has never reappeared.

Twin Falls native Leonard Arrington was a historian and author, onetime official historian of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints and founder of the Mormon History Association. He taught at North Carolina State, Utah State, UCLA and Brigham Young University. Arrington's two-volume "History of Idaho" was published by the University of Idaho Press in 1994. He died in 1999 at age 81.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Timing, wording of article was a shame

I have been upset at stories and the timing of them in this paper before, and shame on me for having never been motivated to write before today regarding them. Maybe if more of us who feel this way do so at the time, this story of Chance, in the immediate wake of his tragic death, would have been passed on by compassionate editors or journalists.

I am so overwhelmingly upset at the lack of morals, compassion and sense shown by this paper at every level by the printing of this and wording of it, I don't ever know where to begin. But I will.

To demean this soul and his family in such an unbelievable and un-human way is without a cause. The fact that media finds justification to do such things to people on a daily basis is inexcusable enough. Chance is gone. His family and close friends have been attempting to piece together their lives since, and the pain and hindrance of this story to their process in that healing is so cruel, I'm horrified.

There is no turning back. No apology, no follow up will ever remove this dagger. If you aren't completely ashamed of yourselves, I'm even more horrified.

May God Bless the Craig's and protect them.
DEBBIE HILLIER
 Jerome

Two concerns about trucks on our roads

I have two concerns that I would like to see something done about.

First, Idaho law says that all vehicles must have adequate fenders. Have you ever had to drive down a highway or freeway behind or aside these pickup trucks with the super-wide all-surface tires? The stream of muddy water sometimes goes completely over my car and makes it nearly impos-

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sible to see the road for a few seconds.

There are two ways that this could be corrected. One, ticket and fine the law-breaking owners of the vehicle. Then levy a real heavy fine to any store that installs tires on a vehicle where they are not covered by fenders as written in our laws.

My second concern is about trucks that are jacked up so high that a head-on collision would result in the car going under the truck with absolutely no meeting of bumpers.

That is dangerous. It is my understanding that vehicles are required to also have bumpers. How about putting in the law that they must be no lower than a reasonable amount and no higher than another reasonable amount so that in a collision, there would be some absorbing of the force before it enters the passenger compartment.

Let's hear from enough of you that law enforcement will begin to enforce the laws already on the books.

WILLIAM SPAIN
 Twin Falls

Obama administration is all about control

I've listened to his speeches, studied his Cabinet picks and stared in wonder as he toured the world apologizing for America being America, and he's proved it:

Obama cares not about bipartisanship, compromise or the traditional family values he references. He wants what progressives have wanted for more than a century — to lift humanity out of chaos and give it order and purpose; i.e., make us

all dependent on the state. If you will, an ignorant utopian bliss of acting, speaking and thinking as directed while worshipping an all-knowing priesthood of government experts.

Control! Throughout history, this is what kings, queens, czars and dictators have lusted for. They gain and grow power and then, believing their authority to be unassailable, use it to "make the world right" by forcing their idea of happiness on the people. Sadly, our democratically elected presidents aren't immune from these desires (both parties; just a matter of degree).

As far back as Wilson — inarguably the first fascist world leader — they've forsaken leadership to instead focus on remaking American society to fit their ideological dreams. For those voicing opposition? In America, it isn't torture or death; it's fear. From Wilson's secret civilian spy network to Bush's Patriot Act, our government can do what it wants to intimidate its own people.

Hmmmmmm. Through my photo business Web site, I communicate with people in England. CIA watchlist? Through my blog I voice political opinions. FBI watchlist? I'm not — health and grades — but Dad's a 21-year Army veteran (Vietnam, Tet, Bronze Star). Homeland Security watchlist? Possible domestic terrorist? If you don't follow the politically correct line, you could be in trouble.

I love America but damn, people, what are we allowing? Yep, happy "Independence" Day!
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— Gene Policinski, executive director of the First Amendment Center

Unlike SC's Sanford, most governors easy to find

By Russ Bynum
Associated Press writer

COLUMBIA, S.C. — Texas Gov. Rick Perry was raising money at campaign headquarters when an Associated Press reporter called his press staff to ask what he was doing. An hour later, he walked into AP's statehouse bureau to show he was alive and well and not, say, in South America for a romantic rendezvous.

Most of the nation's governors were willing — even eager — to prove they were on the job after revelations that South Carolina Gov. Mark Sanford ditched his security detail and disappeared for a secret weeklong tryst with a mistress in Argentina.

The day after Sanford admitted his indiscretion at a tearful, rambling press conference, The Associated Press called governors' offices nationwide to ask: What's the boss doing right now?

Gov. Mike Beebe of Arkansas was at the dentist. Maryland Gov. Martin O'Malley was fishing with his 10-year-old son. Wisconsin Gov. Jim Doyle was flying back from a Washington speaking engagement, while Alaska Gov. Sarah Palin was visiting U.S. troops in eastern Europe.

Nebraska Gov. Dave Heineman was in his office, but a few minutes after a reporter called he, too, showed up at the AP's Capitol bureau — a state trooper, the lieutenant governor and his chief of staff in tow — to jokingly show he could be accounted for.

The AP had problems finding Georgia's Sonny Perdue, who is serving his final term. His spokesman, Bert Brantley, said Perdue had worked at his Capitol office earlier, but he wasn't sure where the governor was precisely when the AP called. When pressed, Brantley said he would not call the governor just to answer a press inquiry into his whereabouts.

"Even when he's on a personal day or family time, he still keeps his BlackBerry on him," Brantley said. "There's not a time when he's not reachable!"

Sanford's vanishing act had his fellow governors scratching their heads, if not cracking wise. Montana Gov. Brian Schweitzer began a news conference Wednesday by joking he was late because he'd been in Venezuela.

"What was he thinking?" said Schweitzer, a Democrat. "Didn't he think anyone would be watching?"

Impromptu checks by the AP showed most gubernatorial staffs keep close tabs on their bosses.

Florida Gov. Charlie Crist's love life hasn't been an obstacle to keeping in touch. Erin Isaac, Crist's communications director, said: "I talked to the governor 100 times while he was on his honeymoon." Crist just got married in December.

Generally, state officials and staffers should be able to locate a governor on a moment's notice, and the public has a right to know too, said Gene Policinski, executive director of the First Amendment Center, a free speech education organization in Nashville, Tenn., that is part of the Freedom Forum.

Besides giving speeches, signing bills and attending ribbon-cuttings, governors must take charge in natural disasters. They command their states' National Guards. And their personal time can become the public's business, particularly when they betray people's trust, Policinski said.

"As, unfortunately, recent scandals seem to indicate, there is legitimate public interest in knowing where a governor is and what they're doing," Policinski said.

When AP asked where governors were, the most common answer was in the office. Louisiana Gov. Bobby Jindal was reviewing bills on the last day of the legislative session. Oklahoma Gov. Brad Henry was interviewing a candidate for a judicial appointment.

Even when governors were traveling, staffers had little trouble saying exactly where they were. In Alabama, Gov. Bob Riley's communications director, Jeff Emerson, knew Riley was landing in Seattle after an economic development

trip overseas.

Palin's spokeswoman, Sharon Leighow, said the Alaska governor was visiting National Guard troops from her state abroad, but wouldn't immediately disclose where. She called back 30 minutes later, after getting the Defense Department's OK, to say Palin was in Kosovo. Palin told the world where she was that same day in a Twitter update.

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Chicago cops from 1968 melee hold reunion

By Don Babwin
Associated Press writer

CHICAGO — There was no tear gas anywhere, and some of those who showed up for a reunion of Chicago Police officers who worked during the 1968 Democratic National Convention hung up their badges — and their billy clubs — a long time ago.

But if this looked like just a gathering of retirees who came to knock back a few drinks and swap stories Friday night — “I was just looking to see who’s still alive,” joked retired patrolman Jeff Norris — it was much more than that.

Between men who almost spit out words like “scum” to describe demonstrators who descended on the city 41 years ago to the small crowd of protesters across the street, it was clear the days when the streets became a battlefield remain one of the most divisive chapters in Chicago history.

From the former cops came recollections, one after another, about what the cameras didn’t capture, what the world didn’t see on television along with the images of police wading into crowds of protesters, knocking them down and bloody-



AP photo

People protest against a reunion of retired Chicago police officers, Friday across from the Fraternal Order of Police building, where the reunion was being held. The poster held by a protester shows a Chicago police officer preparing to club a photographer during the 1968 Democratic Convention.

ing them with flailing billy clubs.

They told of bags of urine and feces, and bricks that were thrown at them, the heavy glass ashtrays dropped on them from hotel windows high above, the nail-spiked rubber balls left behind their car tires and sometimes thrown at them.

And they dismissed any talk of a “police riot,” as a commission famously called the scene, speaking with pride about how they conducted themselves.

“We were doing what we were supposed to do,” said John Murray, a 62-year-old retired detective. “No regrets.”

It was absolute chaos, they said, but they did not lose control even when faced with situations they never thought they’d ever see.

Like the woman disguised as a nun who punched Joe Mescall when the young patrolman wouldn’t let her into the Conrad Hilton Hotel where he was stationed.

Mescall laughed when he told of responding with a punch that was hard enough that she “landed on her keister right on Michigan Avenue,” but he turned serious when he said that neither he nor any of his fellow “coppers” pulled their guns.

“Not one shot was fired,” he said, a sentiment echoed several times.

On the other side of the street, protesters say all this talk about doing their job and putting the blame for the rioting on the demonstrators amounts to a whitewash of history.

That is obvious, they say, by the reunion organizers who did not just promote the gathering on a Web site called Chicagoriotcops.com, but promoted it as a way to honor those who protected the city from “Marxist street thugs.”

“The language makes it very clear that this is a celebration of violence,

of brutality and an attempt to rewrite history,” said Jose Martin, a member of Chicago Copwatch, which organized a march that ended with a rally across the street from the Fraternal Order of Police lodge where the reunion was held.

Martin said he wasn’t sure if there would still be a march had the reunion been simply advertised as a reunion, but he said that kind of language sealed the deal.

“It was too golden,” he said.

G. Flint Taylor, a prominent civil rights attorney whose clients include former death row inmates who have sued alleging police torture, saw his participation as his duty.

“We have to constantly set the record straight, set the historical record straight,” he said.

“This new generation, half don’t know what happened,” he said, surrounded by a few dozen protesters, many of whom were not yet born when the 1968 convention occurred.

That was one thing that even the former cops could agree to.

“I don’t think the young kids could tell you who was even running for office (in 1968),” said retired detective, Tom Flanagan, 67.

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Paralyzed Vt. GI gets star-spangled welcome home

By John Curran
Associated Press writer

HYDE PARK, Vt. — For Pfc. Andrew Parker, it was a bittersweet homecoming: He was hailed as a hero, feted with a star-spangled parade and showered with gifts at a welcome home ceremony.

He had to watch it all from a wheelchair.

Parker, a 21-year-old U.S. Army cavalry scout, was paralyzed last November when a roadside bomb blew up the vehicle he was driving on patrol in Afghanistan.

On Saturday, after months of rehabilitation in Veterans Administration hospitals and a community fundraising effort that added wheelchair-accessible accommodations to his parents' house, the wounded warrior came home.

Many called him a hero, toasting his sacrifice or giving him gifts — a key to the town, a check for \$100,000, a lifetime pass to the adaptive ski program at



Pfc. Andrew Parker waves to the crowd during a parade welcoming him home in Hyde Park, Vt., on Saturday. Parker was paralyzed by a roadside bomb while serving in Afghanistan in November.

AP photo

Smugglers' Notch ski resort and full scholarship offers from Norwich University and Johnson State College, among other things.

Riding in his wheelchair in the back of a flatbed truck, a smiling Parker took in the flag-waving well wishers and the hand-lettered signs

— "For your sacrifice and our freedom" and "Thank you, Andrew" among them — on a six-mile parade to Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 7779.

"To welcome him like this, it means a lot," said organizer Diane Marcoux-Laclair, 54. "It means a lot.

'Cause he's paid a big price.'

In the bombing, Parker was thrown from the vehicle and landed on his head, breaking his neck. He was paralyzed from the chest down. He has movement in his arms but his hands are severely injured.

His injury triggered an outpouring of support in his small northern Vermont hometown.

Marcoux-Laclair — Parker's former kindergarten teacher — and others began soliciting donations and in-kind services so his parents could renovate their modest ranch house, turning a garage into a new living space with a wheelchair ramp, special shower, bed and living area.

All told, the work cost about \$100,000.

"It would've been a heckuva lot tougher without all this support," said his father, Greg Barnes.

The American Legion, VFW, Norwich University, Disabled American Veterans, Military Order of

the Purple Heart and numerous others participated in the parade.

"I cried the whole way," said his mother, Winnie Barnes. "Tears of joy."

The process was greeted by a phalanx of honor guards lining the entrance to the VFW post, where Parker was hoisted onto a stage and sat quietly as more than two dozen speakers, including

Vermont Gov. Jim Douglas.

Parker, an aspiring teacher who acquaintances say is a man of few words, never spoke during the ceremony, except when a flustered speaker said she hadn't expected to be called up to the podium. "They didn't tell me I was going to be up here, either," he cracked, drawing a laugh from the crowd.

Paramilitary groups in Northern Ireland retire weapons

By Henry Chu
Los Angeles Times

LONDON — Lasting peace in Northern Ireland took another step forward Saturday when major Protestant paramilitary organizations announced that they had decommissioned some or all of their weapons, following a similar move years earlier by the opposing Irish Republican Army.

The Ulster Defense Association and the Ulster Volunteer Force, two fear-some groups responsible for hundreds of civilian deaths, said the time had come for peace and democracy in a territory riven for decades by deadly conflict between Catholics and Protestants.

"The need for armed resistance has gone. Consequently we are putting our arsenal of weaponry permanently beyond use," the Ulster Defense Association said in a statement. It added that it had begun destroying some of its arms in the presence of independent monitors and would continue until the process was complete.

The Ulster Volunteer Force said that it had fully given up its stockpile. The declaration was made at a Belfast news conference by a spokesman who appeared unmasked and dressed in civilian clothes, in a marked change from the days when members issued statements wearing ski masks and toting guns.

The group's weapons were "totally, and irreversibly, beyond use" in order to boost "the estab-

"For those who have doubted the political process, it is proof that politics works and that guns have no place in a normal society."

— Shaun Woodward, minister in charge of Northern Irish affairs

lishment of accountable democratic governance in this region of the United Kingdom (and) to remove the pretext that loyalist weaponry is an obstacle," the spokesman said.

For years, the two paramilitary organizations carried out attacks on Catholic neighborhoods in their campaign to ensure that Northern Ireland remained part of the United Kingdom. Both claimed responsibility for hundreds of shootings, bombings and other acts of violence estimated to have killed nearly 1,000 people during Northern Ireland's so-called "Troubles," in which more than 3,500 people died.

The historic 1998 Good Friday Agreement between loyalists and republicans largely brought an end to armed conflict and called for a full relinquishing of weapons on both sides.

In 2005, independent monitors confirmed that the Irish Republican Army had put its arsenal beyond use. But a number of loyalist paramilitaries refused to follow suit, insisting that they needed to keep their guns for protection.



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U.S. unveils big shift in Afghan drug policy

Focus will be on trafficking, promoting alternative crops

TRIESTE, Italy (AP) — The U.S. is shifting its strategy against Afghanistan's drug trade, phasing out funding for opium eradication while boosting efforts to fight trafficking and promote alternate crops, the U.S. envoy for Afghanistan said Saturday.

The aim of the new policy: to deprive the Taliban of the tens of millions of dollars in drug revenues that are fueling its insurgency.

The U.S. envoy for Afghanistan and Pakistan, Richard Holbrooke, told the Associated Press that poppy eradication — for years a cornerstone of U.S. and U.N. drug trafficking efforts in the country — was not working and was only driving Afghan farmers into the hands of the Taliban.

"Eradication is a waste of money," Holbrooke said on the sidelines of a Group of Eight for-

eign ministers' meeting on Afghanistan, during which he briefed regional representatives on the new policy.

"It might destroy some acreage, but it didn't reduce the amount of money the Taliban got by one dollar. It just helped the Taliban. So we're going to phase out eradication," he said. The Afghan foreign minister also attended the G-8 meeting.

Eradication efforts were seen as

inefficient because too little was being destroyed at too high a cost, U.N. drug chief Antonio Maria Costa told the AP.

The old policy was also deeply unpopular among powerless small-scale farmers, who often were targeted in the eradication efforts.

Afghanistan is the world's leading source of opium, cultivating 93 percent of the world's heroin-producing crop. While opium cultivation dropped 19 percent last year, it remains concentrated in Afghanistan's southern provinces

where the Taliban is strongest and last year earned insurgents an estimated \$50 million to \$70 million, according to the U.N. drug office.

While there was no immediate comment from Kabul on Saturday, the U.S. policy shift was likely to be welcomed by Afghanistan's government. Officials eradicating poppies have often been attacked by militants. Afghan citizens, many of whom rely on farming for sustenance and income, would also invite new agricultural programs.

Quiet crackdown drains strength from dissidents

By Michael Weissenstein
Associated Press writer

EDITOR'S NOTE: Iranian authorities have barred journalists for international news organizations from reporting on the streets and ordered them to stay in their offices. This report is based on the accounts of witnesses reached in Iran and official statements carried on Iranian media.

The Iranian government has seized and detained several hundred activists, journalists and students across the nation, in one of the most extensive crackdowns on key dissidents since the 1979 Islamic Revolution.

Even as unprecedented protests broke out on the streets after the June 12 disputed presidential election, the most stinging backlash from authorities has come away from the crowds through roundups and targeted arrests, according to witnesses and human rights organizations. They say plainclothes security agents have also put dozens of the country's most experienced pro-reform leaders behind bars.

The Iranian government says only that unspecified figures responsible for fomenting unrest have been taken into custody.

The arrests have drained the pool of potential leaders of a protest movement that claims President Mahmoud



An Iranian cleric sits among worshippers as they pray Friday at Tehran University in Tehran, Iran.

AP photo

Ahmadinejad stole the election by fraud. They also point to the potential for high-profile trials — and serious sentences — before a special judicial forum created to handle cases from the unrest.

With the main reformist candidate Mir Hossein Mousavi under constant police surveillance, protests demanding a new vote have withered. Many of those rounded up during demonstrations have been released within days.

But most of those detained in raids against potential opposition remain in custody. That has spread fear among Mousavi supporters and left the opposition movement reeling.

"We heard some news about people who are arrest-

ed at night and we are worried if it could happen to us," a Tehran resident active in the protests wrote in an e-mail Friday, asking for anonymity for fear of government retaliation.

The targeted arrests appear to have begun the day after the election. Several of Iran's best-known reformist politicians were taken into custody, including the brother and several close allies of former President Mohammad Khatami.

Since then, at least 230 more students, professors, journalists and reformists have been arrested, according to the International Campaign for Human Rights in Iran. At least 29 are known to have been released, the New York-based organization said in a list released

Wednesday, although it acknowledged that the numbers were constantly changing.

The crackdown appears to have grown bolder as the government escalated its use of force on the streets.

Security agents arrested nearly the entire staff of Mousavi's newspaper, The Green Word, Monday night, seizing 25 people in a raid on its offices, according to a statement on Mousavi's Web site. Four or five who were out of the office during the raid remain free, according to the paper.

On Thursday, authorities arrested 70 reformist university professors after they met with Mousavi, his Web site said. At least 66 were later freed, said Hadi Ghaemi, spokesman for the

International Campaign for Human Rights in Iran.

Among the most prominent reformists detained was Ebrahim Yazdi, 78, who was a key aide of the Islamic Republic's founder, Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini, and served as foreign minister after the 1979 revolution. Yazdi was hospitalized with a bladder problem when agents walked into his room on June 17, had his intravenous tubes disconnected and took him to Tehran's notorious Evin Prison.

"They did not show any judicial or legal papers, nothing," Yazdi told The Associated Press by telephone from Tehran. "Even in prison they didn't interrogate me. Nobody came to tell me

why they were arresting me."

Yazdi said he was treated respectfully and released the next day. But many other members of his Freedom Movement of Iran remain in prison along with leaders of other reformist parties, some of whom served in Khatami's government.

They include Abdollah Ramezanzadeh, a former government spokesman under Khatami; Saeed Hajarian, an adviser to Khatami who was paralyzed in an assassination attempt in 2000; and human rights lawyer Abdolfattah Soltani, who was arrested in his office by security forces posing as clients, according to the International Campaign for Human Rights in Iran.

Ahmadinejad slams Obama's comments on crackdown

By Thomas Erdbrink
and William Branigin
The Washington Post

TEHRAN, Iran — President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad added new fuel to an intensifying spat with President Obama Saturday, denouncing what he called "insulting" comments about a crackdown on protesters, and two opposition presidential candidates rejected participation in a special committee aimed at resolving the disputed June 12 election on the government's terms.

In televised remarks to judiciary officials Saturday, Ahmadinejad struck back at Obama a day after the U.S. president praised protesters for showing "bravery in the face of brutality," described violence against them as "outrageous" and said opposition leader Mir Hossein Mousavi has "captured the imagination" of Iranians who want a more open society. Obama also dismissed Ahmadinejad's demand for an apology for previous criticism and suggested that the Iranian leader apologize to the families of those who have been arrested, beaten or killed in the crackdown.

Noting that Obama has spoken of "reforms and changes," Ahmadinejad asked, "Why did he interfere and comment in a way that disregards convention and courtesy?" He said Western leaders who made "insulting and irrelevant comments will be put on a fair trial" by Iran at international gatherings.

"It is enough," he said. "Do not disgrace yourself further by such language and behavior."

Ahmadinejad also vowed to take a tougher approach toward alleged meddling by the West during his second four-year term, which the

government has said will begin this summer.

"Without a doubt, Iran's new government will have a more decisive and firmer approach toward the West,"

Ahmadinejad said.

"This time the Iranian nation's reply will be harsh and more decisive" to make the West regret its "meddlesome stance," he said.

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NATO and Russia resume military ties

By Slobodan Lekic
Associated Press writer

CORFU, Greece — NATO and Russia agreed to resume military ties Saturday in their first high-level meeting since Russia's war with Georgia disrupted their relations 10 months ago.

NATO's outgoing Secretary-General Jaap de Hoop Scheffer announced that the so-called NATO-Russia Council, a panel set up in 2002 to improve ties between the former Cold War rivals, was operational again.

"It was my ambition to leave to my successor an NRC that is up and running," said de Hoop Scheffer, whose term as secretary-general ends Aug. 1.

"After the meeting which just ended, I have achieved that aim. Because there was clearly a sense in that meeting that the NRC, which had been in neutral ... is now

back in gear," he said. "We also agreed to restart the military to military contacts."

Relations between the alliance and the Russian military were frozen after the five-day Georgian war last August. Although political ties have thawed considerably over the past five months, there had been no formal military contacts since then.

The resumption of talks means NATO and Russia can cooperate on range of security issues, including Afghanistan and efforts to fight piracy, terrorism and the spread of nuclear weapons.

Russian Foreign Minister Sergei Lavrov met his counterparts from NATO's 28 member nations on the western Greek island of Corfu ahead of a broader informal meeting of ministers from the 56-nation Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe.

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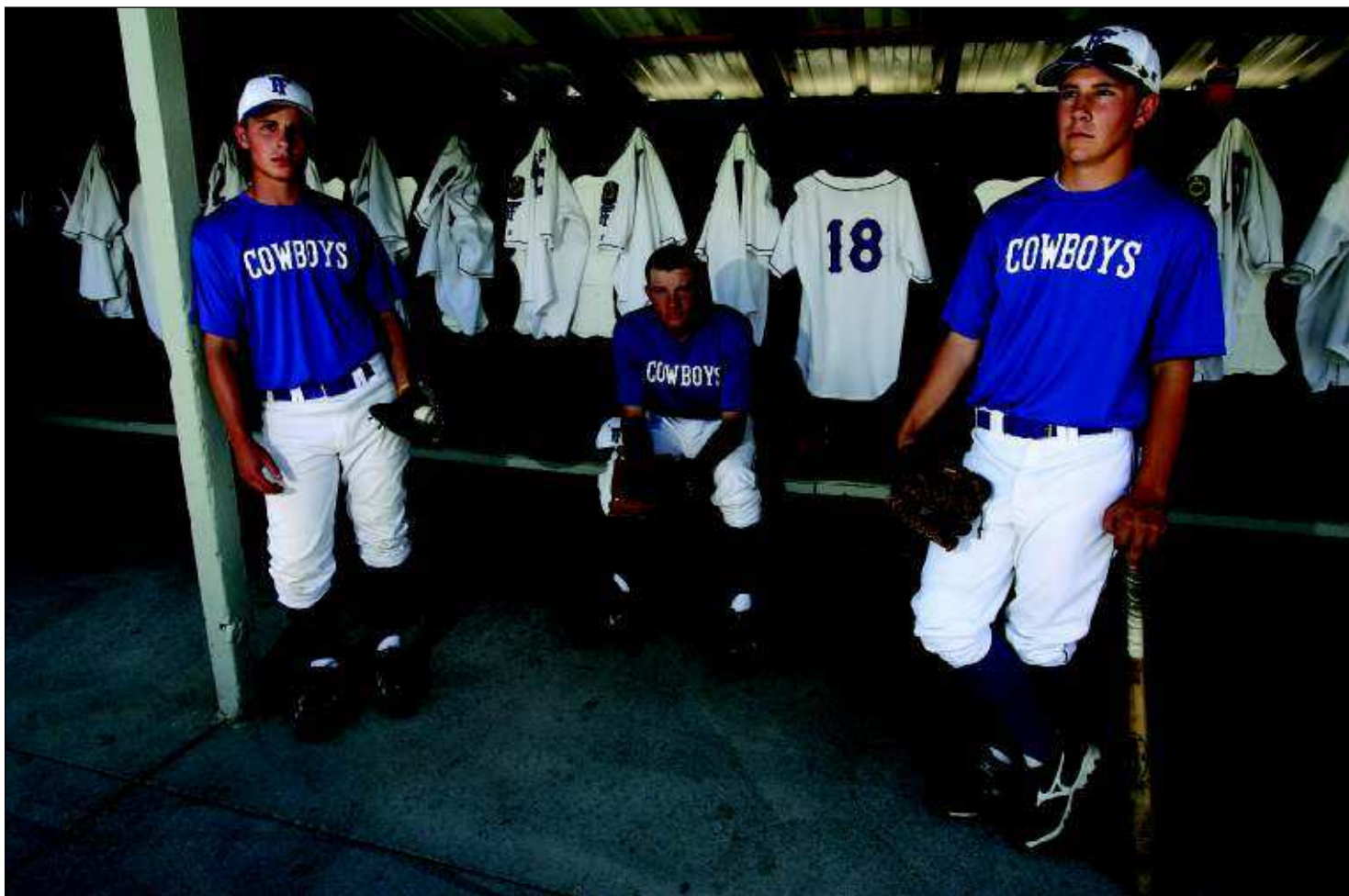
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Tomorrow's STARS



MEAGAN THOMPSON/Times-News

Jayson Welker, Cy Sneed and T.J. Ellis are three sophomores that could one day be the "backbone," as coach Tim Stadelmeir put it, of the Twin Falls Bruins and Cowboys baseball programs.

Ellis, Sneed, Welker form baseball 'backbone' of T.F. programs' future

By Bradley Guire
Times-News writer

When young players are brought up to the top level, there's a reason. T.J. Ellis, Cy Sneed and Jayson Welker are just those guys for Twin Falls' high school and American Legion baseball programs.

The trio of juniors-to-be got the call during the high school season and joined the Bruin varsity squad. Bruins and Cowboys head coach Tim Stadelmeir saw an attitude that he liked.

"They won't go 4-for-4

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See how the Cowboys fared in their doubleheader on Saturday.

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every day or strike out 10, but they're going to compete," Stadelmeir said. "They're doing everything we ask. In the next couple of years, we're hoping they can be the backbone."

He wanted them around guys like Jacob Coats, Michael Williams, Brodie Hall, Braden Box, Zak

Slotten and Remington Pullin to begin that process, starting this spring as the Bruins pursued the Class 5A state championship in their final year at that level.

The then-sophomores' promotion was also a matter of needing to fill some holes in the team. Ellis, Sneed and Welker are contributing in the outfield, on the mound and behind the plate. Ellis and Welker are outfielders, and Sneed is in the pitching rotation. Welker is also catcher behind Pullin and Slotten on the Legion squad.

"I wanted to fight for a starting position," Welker said. "I was hoping to be (the starting) catcher, but the way it worked out, I'm in center. But it's been a fun, new experience for me."

There's been a learning curve for all, but it wasn't long before the three were contributing to the Bruins' third consecutive and possibly final Region Four-Five-Six championship and a 25-7 record, which at one point included a 14-game winning streak.

"We were nervous the first few games," Ellis said.

"Our team's pretty laid back, so it made it easy for us. They brought us in under their wing and told us how the program works."

As the high school season continued, they excelled just a little bit more and reaped the rewards. Ellis and Welker batted more than .400, while Sneed recorded a 5-2 pitching record with a 2.56 ERA and 51 strikeouts. All three were named to the All-Region Four-Five-Six first team. It was a far cry away from the

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Burley takes third at tourney

Blackfoot wins Donnelley title

Times-News

The Burley Green Sox came up short in their quest for the inaugural Donnelley Wood Bat Tournament title, but still came away with plenty to be happy about.

Burley's Jake Mills was named the tourney's offensive MVP after hitting .650 over his team's four games, while pitcher Edgar Perez took home defensive MVP honors after pitching two complete game victories.

Burley dropped a 4-1 game to Blackfoot on Saturday morning, which sent the Green Sox to the third-place game.

"We just had too many strikeouts," said Burley coach Devin Kunz, who praised the pitching effort of Kace Redder in the loss.

Behind the play of Perez and Mills, Burley routed Bear Lake 11-2 in the third-place game.

Blackfoot took home the championship despite going 0-2 on Friday. To win the title, Blackfoot avenged a Friday defeat at the hands of Marsh Falls by taking an 11-1 win in six innings.

Kunz said he was pleased with his team's two days of play.

"We went 3-1, so it was good," he said. "There were some really competitive games, the field was in great shape, it was fun."

Burley (15-11) hosts Bonneville for a doubleheader at 5 p.m. Monday.

DONNELLEY WOOD BAT TOURNAMENT

Friday's games

Burley 2, Bear Lake 1
Bear Lake 12, Marsh Falls 1
Marsh Falls 7, Blackfoot 4
Burley 3, Blackfoot 1

Saturday's games

Blackfoot 4, Burley 1
Marsh Falls 7, Bear Lake 4

Third-place

Burley 11, Bear Lake 2

Championship

Blackfoot 11, Marsh Falls 1, six innings

U.S. soccer team excited to have chance to play Brazil in final

By Andrew Dampf
Associated Press writer

JOHANNESBURG — Landon Donovan remembers the first time he played the Brazilians, when his under-23 team trounced off the field, victims of a 7-0 thrashing.

"I haven't beaten Brazil on any level," the U.S. forward said. "It would be amazing to do it tomorrow."

Amazing, unbelievable, spectacular — any adjective would apply.

When the Americans play Brazil in the Confederation Cup final Sunday, they have a chance to create a watershed moment in U.S. soccer. The Americans have never won a FIFA tournament — this is the first time they've even made it to a final — and a victory over the five-time World Cup champions

Confederation Cup Championship U.S. vs. Brazil Noon, ESPN

would signal they are closer than ever to the likes of Spain, England, Argentina, Italy and Germany.

It would be a big hit back home, too, where fans who couldn't tell a corner kick from a handball just a few days ago have suddenly become soccer aficionados.

"For U.S. Soccer, this is a very special day," coach Bob Bradley said Saturday. "It's the first time we're playing in a final of a world competition like this, and to play against Brazil — everybody knows their history — is extra special."

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Former No. 1 ousted at Wimbledon

No. 124-ranked Oudin stuns Jelena Jankovich

By Howard Fendrich
Associated Press writer

WIMBLEDON, England — As a tyke growing up in Marietta, Ga., Melanie Oudin would watch Venus and Serena Williams on TV and tell anyone who would listen that she was going to play at Wimbledon, too, one day.

Who knew she'd be right? And do so well, so quickly?

Making her Wimbledon debut at age 17 after getting through qualifying, the 124th-ranked Oudin joined the Williams sisters in the fourth round at the All England Club by beating former No. 1 Jelena Jankovic 6-7 (8), 7-5, 6-2 Saturday in the most startling result of the tournament's opening week.

"Was just thinking that she was any other player, and this was any other match, and I was at any other tournament — you know, not, like, on the biggest stage, at Wimbledon, playing my first top-10 player," Oudin said. "I mean, I go into every match the exact same, you know, like, no matter who I play. It's not, like, 'Oh, my



AP photo

Melanie Oudin reacts to a point won against Jelena Jankovic during their third-round singles match at Wimbledon on Saturday.

gosh, I'm playing the No. 1 player in the world."

Another U.S. qualifier, 133rd-ranked Jesse Levine of Boca Raton, Fla., couldn't extend his run in the men's tournament, losing to No. 19 Stanislas Wawrinka 5-7, 7-5, 6-3, 6-3. That leaves No. 6 Andy Roddick as the last American man

in the tournament.

The only time Oudin really lost her way was when her match ended and it was time to leave Court 3, a patch of grass known as "The Graveyard of Champions," because of the long list of stars upset there. She wasn't quite

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Cowboys split DH with Russets

Times-News

Playing their third doubleheader in four days, the Twin Falls Cowboys Class AA squad came out a bit flat on Saturday. But the Cowboys still managed a home split with the Idaho Falls Russets in American Legion Baseball action.

The Russets took the opener 11-5 as Twin Falls' pitchers issued seven walks in the game, helping Idaho Falls plate consecutive five-run innings.

But Twin Falls got rolling in Game 2, earning a 14-7 win. Down 4-0 after two costly first-inning errors, the Cowboys took over in the third inning. Zeb Sneed, Jacob Coats and Brody Hall all singled in the inning, while Michael Williams blasted a three-run homer as part of a six-run burst.

Winning pitcher Braden Box added a solo home run in the fourth as Twin Falls moved to 15-5 overall and 10-1 in conference play.

"I think we're a much better club than we showed today," said Twin Falls coach Tim Stadelmeir. "But you're going to have those days in baseball."

The Cowboys host Minico at 4 p.m., Monday. They

host the five-day Cowboy Classic, beginning Wednesday.

Game 1
Idaho Falls 11, Twin Falls 5
Twin Falls 005 500 1-11 12 1
210 010 1-5 8 0
Lewis and Hackett, Cassidy Gaines, Heath Stewart (3) and Remington Pullin, W. Lewis, L. Gaines.
Extra-base hits - 2B: Twin Falls, Jacob Coats, Jared Jordan, Braden Box; Idaho Falls, Lewis, Hackett, Barr, 3B: Idaho Falls, Arhehart. HR: Twin Falls, Jordan.

Game 2
Twin Falls 14, Idaho Falls 7
Idaho Falls 400 300 0-7 5 4
Twin Falls 026 231 x-14 12 4
Barr, Olsen (6) and Evans, Braden Box, Remington Pullin (4), Zayne Slotten (7) and Jayson Welker.
Extra-base hits - 2B: Twin Falls, Zeb Sneed, Jacob Coats, Brody Hall; Idaho Falls, McCarthy. HR: Twin Falls, Michael Williams, Box.

LECKENDY SHINES AS BUHL SWEEPS UPPER VALLEY

The Buhl Indians capped an eight-game week by earning two wins - 2-1 and 11-5 - over Upper Valley on Saturday. A matchup of teams that took second and third, respectively, at the Class 3A state high school tournament in May was a dandy.

Upper Valley, which is made up of players from South Fremont High School's program, led Buhl 1-0 entering the bottom of the seventh in Game 1.

Marco Avelar reached on an error and Matt Hamilton singled with two outs on the board to keep the Tribe's hopes alive. Cader Owen hit a grounder to the short stop

that resulted in a wide throw to first base, allowing Avelar and Hamilton to score the game-winning runs.

Buhl pitcher J.D. Leckenby had a stellar outing, striking out 11 batters and giving up just one walk and one hit. Upper Valley pitcher Justin Mackert was solid as well with seven Ks on the day.

Markus Lively pitched well in the nightcap for Buhl, while Leckenby went 4-for-4 with a double. Nick Hamilton added a two-run single, while Jack Hamilton's two hits included a double.

Buhl (12-4) also took two wins over Pocatello late Friday, winning 11-5 and 14-8. They continue a 14-game home stand by hosting Kimberly for a doubleheader on Tuesday.

Game 1
Buhl 2, Upper Valley 1
Upper Valley 000 100 0-11 2
Buhl 000 000 2-25 0
Justin Mackert and Hathaway, J.D. Leckenby and Nick Hamilton, W. Leckenby, L. Mackert.
2B: Buhl, Leckenby; Upper Valley, Mackert.

Game 2
Buhl 11, Upper Valley 5
Upper Valley 002 000 0-5 8 7
Buhl 203 240 x-11 10 1
Farley, Wright and Hathaway, Markus Lively and Jack Hamilton, W. Lively, L. Farley.
Extra-base hits - 2B: Upper Valley, Farley and Miranda; Buhl, J.D. Leckenby, Jack Hamilton. HR: Upper Valley, Singleton.

ASTROS SPLIT AT HILLCREST

The Kimberly Astros were

one out away from a sweep of Hillcrest on Saturday, but came away with split, losing 13-11 in Game 1 and taking the nightcap 14-4 in five innings.

The Astros led the opener 11-9 in the bottom of the seventh, but Hillcrest hit a walk-off grand slam to steal the win.

Kimberly totaled 28 hits in the doubleheader, including 10 doubles.

"We've been kind of cruising offensively," said Kimberly coach Tom Myers, whose team had its Friday doubleheader at Skyline rained out.

While issues on the mound have plagued Kimberly, the Astros are still 16-4 overall and 13-3 in Area C entering Tuesday's doubleheader at Buhl.

Game 1
Hillcrest 13, Kimberly 11
Kimberly 031 302 2-11 16 2
Hillcrest 200 420 5-13 11 1
Seth Champlin, A.J. Schroeder (4) and Willy Mumm, Roe, Cooley (5) and Grover, W. Cooley, L. Champlin.
Extra-base hits - 2B: Kimberly, Champlin, Nate Harmon, Braden Osborne, Evan Jerke, A.J. Schroeder 2; Hillcrest, Fuller, Milton, Hilliard. HR: Hillcrest, Holverson.

Game 2
Kimberly 14, Hillcrest 4, five innings
Kimberly 900 50-14 12 2
Hillcrest 400 00-4 6 3
Evan Jerke, Braden Osborne (4) and Cody Casperson, Harris, Hilliard (2), Milton (4) and Grover, W. Jerke, L. Harris.
Extra-base hits - 2B: Kimberly, Osborne, A.J. Schroeder, Jordan Gentry 2; Hillcrest, Fuller, Milton, Roe.

Goydos leads, Perry, Toms in close pursuit

CROMWELL, Conn. - Paul Goydos birdied five holes on the back nine Saturday and held a one-stroke lead over Kenny Perry after the third round of the Travelers Championship.

Goydos' 28-foot putt from off the green on the 16th highlighted a third-round 63, tying Hunter Mahan for the best round of the day.

"I had a circus putt on 16," Goydos said. "Again, it was turning lemons into lemonade. Those are the things that are the difference between maybe shooting 68 today and 63."

Perry, who led after each of the first two rounds, had a seemingly comfortable three-stroke lead after birdies on 11 and 12. But he dropped a stroke on the 14th and Goydos took advantage, making four straight birdies starting on the par-5 13th.

After a rain delay of just over an hour, both golfers parred in. Perry missed a 5-foot birdie try on 18 that would have given him a share of the lead minutes after Goydos misread the break on a 10-footer.

"When it gets dark I don't see very good, I never had and I complain every time," Perry said. "I can't see the lines when it gets dark and that's just the way it was."

David Toms shot a 66 and was in third place at 14-under par. Toms didn't make his first bogey of the tournament until Saturday on the par-4 10th hole, when he missed a 5-foot par putt. It was his only bogey of the round and broke a streak of 45 straight holes at par or better.

John Merrick held the lead several times during the round after making birdie on five of his first seven holes. But a double-bogey on 12 led to a three-stroke swing and put Perry back on top. Merrick finished with a 65, and was tied with Casey Wittenberg, three strokes behind the leaders at 13-under.

Wittenberg chipped in from 51 feet on the 16th hole and made five birdies on the back nine.

"I got in a groove there," he said.

FUNK SHOOTS 65 ON CHAMPIONS TOUR

ENDICOTT, N.Y. - Fred Funk shot a 7-under 65 Saturday to take a three-stroke lead after the second



AP photo

David Toms hits from the fairway bunker on the No. 18 hole during the third round of the Travelers Championship golf tournament in Cromwell, Conn.,

round at the Dick's Sporting Goods Open.

Funk began the day with a two-shot lead after an opening 64 and continued his stellar play to move to a 36-hole total at 129.

Ronnie Black and defending champion Eduardo Romero each had 9-under 63s for the best rounds of the day. They were tied for second with Lonnie Nielsen (66).

Gary Hallberg (66) was in fifth at 11 under and Jay Haas (68) was another shot back.

SHIN EXTENDS LEAD ON LPGA TOUR

ROCHESTER, N.Y. - Jiyai Shin shot a 5-under 67 to extend her lead to four strokes at the Wegmans LPGA.

The South Korean star, seeking her fifth tour win in 11 months, moved to 16-under 200 Saturday after three rounds at the tree-lined Locust Hill course in suburban Rochester.

Morgan Pressel, a two-time winner whose season-best finish was a tie for seventh in April, shot a 70 and was in second place four strokes back. That was one better than rookie Stacy Lewis.

GOOSEN TWO UP AT BMW

MUNICH - Retief Goosen of South Africa shot a 5-under 67 to lead by two strokes after the third round of the BMW International Open.

The two-time U.S. Open champion totaled 17-under 199 at Golfclub Munchen Eichenried. Goosen hasn't won on the European Tour since early 2007.

Bernhard Langer of Germany (65) is second. Nick Dougherty of England (68) and David Drysdale of Scotland (68) are at 202.

- The Associated Press

Trend is no repeat winners at NHMS

LOUDON, N.H. (AP) - Blame the tough racetrack, the Car of Tomorrow or simply circumstance. Whatever the reason, there have been no repeat winners in the last four years of NASCAR Sprint Cup racing at New Hampshire Motor Speedway.

If that trend holds, Greg Biffle, who won here in September, won't be in Victory Lane on Sunday.

Nor will Kurt Busch, Clint Bowyer, Denny Hamlin, Kevin Harvick, Kyle Busch, Ryan Newman or Tony Stewart.

That impressive group of drivers includes the last eight Cup winners on the 1.058-mile New Hampshire oval.

No repeats. The trend is even more extensive in the Nationwide Series, which had 22 different winners in 22 races heading into Saturday's Camping World 200.

"Certainly, this racetrack is one of the harder flat tracks that we go to," Biffle said. "It's really, really flat, and I think that it changes a lot, and the guy that hits it just right that weekend is why you see dif-



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ferent winners all the time with no repeat winners.

"Hopefully, we'll break that trend this weekend. We'll just have to wait and see."

Stewart started the Cup string when he won the summer race in July 2005. Jeff Gordon, Jeff Burton, Jimmie Johnson and Busch all won multiple races here before that, including season sweeps by Johnson in 2003 and Busch in 2004.

Since then, though, no repeaters.

Busch said at least part of the explanation is the Car of Tomorrow, which began competing on NASCAR's shorter tracks in 2007.

"You can say that the new car has added a different twist because we continually come back to the racetracks that we've seen before with

completely different setups and that will create different winners and a trend such as that," Busch said.

"This racetrack has a lot to do with pit strategy. Once you get towards the end, you want to pit and stay out as long as you can and, sometimes, guys who haven't been running well all day will stay out and try to stretch their fuel and they end up having track position," added Busch, who won a rain-shortened race here last June. "Timely yellows come out, and so it creates a road course-type atmosphere where you pit as soon as you can make it to the end and then stay out and hang on."

Stewart, who also won here in July 2000, said he has no idea why there has been a string of different winners in New Hampshire.

"I think every year this track changes a little bit and every year everybody gets a little bit better on what it takes to be good here," said Stewart, the series points leader who will start from the pole in Sunday's Lenox Industrial Tools 301.

Busch gets fifth Nationwide win

LOUDON, N.H. (AP) - Kyle Busch figured out a way to win again in NASCAR's Nationwide Series.

After two straight frustrating runner-up finishes in the second tier series, Busch passed Joe Gibbs Racing teammate Joey Logano near the end of the Camping World 200 on Saturday and held off the precocious 19-year-old to get the victory at New Hampshire International Speedway.

Logano, who started from the pole and led 108 of the 200 laps, beat Busch out of the pits by the length of a hood on the final pit stop by the two leaders. But Busch was able to stay with the leader and eventually drive past him with 36 laps left. "We just kept adjusting on our car all day," said Busch, who had led the most laps in the last eight Nationwide races while winning only two of them. "Normally, when we're out front, we don't adjust on it. Today we didn't have the winning car, we made the winning car."

Wimbledon

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sure where to go and asked someone to direct her toward the exit.

Not all that surprising, when you consider that a year ago, Oudin entered the junior event at Wimbledon - seeded No. 1 among the girls - and failed to make it out of the second round, losing 6-1, 6-3 to eventual champion Laura Robson of Britain.

Yet there Oudin was Saturday, outlasting 2008 U.S. Open runner-up Jankovic over nearly 3 hours, then calling Mom and Dad back home to share in the revelry.

"My emotions are all over

the place," Oudin's father, John, said in a telephone interview. "When I think about watching Bjorn Borg and Boris Becker in their starched whites at Wimbledon, I just can't believe Melanie is there. It's hardly any words other than, 'Wow!' We've been saying a lot of that. Just, 'Wow!'"

Shortly after his daughter's victory, he and Oudin's mother, Leslie, began scouring the Internet for flights. Even Grandma - who encouraged Melanie and twin sister Katherine to take up tennis - might make the overseas trip to see Oudin face No. 11 Agnieszka Radwanska of

Poland on Monday with a quarterfinal berth at stake, heady stuff for someone who was 0-2 at Grand Slam tournaments until this week.

Then again, Oudin - it's pronounced "oo-DAN," on account of her father's French ancestry - long has shown ambition.

"My goal has always been, since I was little, to become No. 1 in the world one day," she said.

The only time Oudin showed signs of nerves during the most important match of her nascent career came in the opening set. She held four set points, and blew them all with

unforced errors.

"Rushed them. Played undisciplined tennis," said Oudin's coach, Brian de Villiers. "She played the occasion, rather than the point. But, hey, it's understandable."

When that 66-minute set ended, Jankovic had the lead, but she clearly was in trouble on a sunny day with the temperature in the 80s. A trainer and doctor came out to measure her pulse and blood pressure, and she began to cry. They put bags of ice on Jankovic's legs and abdomen, then the back of her neck, and gave her an energy drink to sip.

Soccer

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The United States has beaten Brazil only once in 14 tries, and that 1-0 victory came in Los Angeles in the semifinals of the 1998 CONCACAF Gold Cup, the championship of North and Central America and the Caribbean.

Just last week, Brazil routed the Americans 3-0 in group play at the Confederations Cup. The loss left them on the verge of elimination, and had some critics calling for Bradley's job.

But the U.S. men turned their fortunes around immediately after that game, and are a different team now.

"Winning a major FIFA championship against Brazil, on the heels of beat-

ing Spain, the No. 1 team in the world, would be an extraordinary achievement," U.S. Soccer Federation president Sunil Gulati said. "American soccer is on a long term ascendancy - a win tomorrow would certainly help people appreciate that."

The Americans beat Egypt 3-0 to squeak through from the group stage. They then stunned top-ranked Spain with a 2-0 victory, ending the European champion's record 15-game winning streak.

And now, Brazil. "This is a big opportunity for us, and one we don't get very often," Donovan said. "There's no promise that we'll ever get back to a final like this, so we've got to try

to take advantage of it. If we lose we lose, but we're going to give everything we have."

For Brazil, playing in a final is nothing new. This is its fourth at the Confederations Cup, and it's seeking a record third title.

As if that's not daunting enough for the Americans, they'll also have to try to corral Kaka, Robinho and Luis Fabiano without key midfielder Michael Bradley. Bradley, the coach's son, picked up a red card in the final minutes of the victory over Spain and likely will be replaced by Benny Feilhaber.

Brazil coach Dunga probably will stay with the same lineup from the semifinals. Although Daniel Alves gave Brazil the late winner coming off the bench, Maicon is

expected to stay at right back. Luis Fabiano said he has the flu and had trouble sleeping after the match against South Africa with a fever, but should be ready to play.

"(The first match) was different," Dunga said. "Now they're more consistent. They have more confidence because of their results. We have to impose our rhythm, staying more with the ball and taking advantage of our characteristics."

The Americans also are hoping to get another boost from the South African fans. Though Spain was the heavy favorite Wednesday night, the Americans noticed as the game wore on that fans were firmly on the side of the underdogs.

Stars

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the modest goals they had set at the start of the season. For the most part, they just wanted to earn playing time.

"(My goal was) to break into the top four rotation," Sneed said.

The trio will appear in their first Cowboy Classic Wood Bat Tournament this week and have their eyes on the championship, which they hope could build momentum toward a state title in American Legion Baseball and beyond.

"It's a big deal," Ellis

said. "To help win the Classic, it would be a cool start to our summers to come."

That's exactly what everybody else is looking for when it comes to building for the future.

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BASEBALL

NL Box									
BREWERS 7, GIANTS 6									
San Francisco	ab	r	h	bi	Milwaukee	ab	r	h	bi
Rownd cf	4	1	2	0	C.Hart rf	4	2	1	1
Winn lf	5	1	2	0	Hardy ss	5	0	2	1
Sandov lf	5	2	3	2	Braun lf	4	1	2	0
Bmolin c	4	0	0	1	Fielder lf	5	1	2	4
Schritt rf	4	1	1	0	McGez 2b	3	1	1	1
Rentieri ss	3	1	2	1	McMinn cf	3	0	0	0
Ishikaw lf	5	0	2	1	MIRNv c	4	0	1	0
Uribe 2b	5	0	2	1	Hall 3b	3	0	1	0
Zito p	3	0	0	0	Councils ph	1	0	1	0
Meddrs p	0	0	0	0	Kendall pr	0	0	0	0
Aurilia ph	1	0	0	0	McClng p	1	0	0	0
Romo p	0	0	0	0	CSmith p	0	0	0	0
Affeldt p	0	0	0	0	Canitt ph	1	0	0	0
BWilson p	0	0	0	0	Stetter p	0	0	0	0
					Hoffm ph	0	0	0	0
					Gamel ph	0	0	0	0
Totals	39	6	14	6	Totals	34	7	11	7
San Francisco	021	010	002	-7	Milwaukee	000	004	003	-7
WP—McClng.									

Two outs when winning run scored.

DP—San Francisco 2, LOB—San Francisco 11, Milwaukee 7. 2B—Rowand (2), Renteria (10), Uribe (12), Braun (17), Fielder (18), M.Rivera (4), HR—Sandoval 2 (11), Fielder (9), McGehe (4), S—Coffey, SF—B.Molina, Renteria.

San Francisco									
IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO				
Zito	5.2	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
Meddrs BS,2.2	11.3	2	1	1	0	2			
Romo	0	2	0	0	0	2			
Affeldt	1	0	0	0	1	1			
B.Wilson L,2-4 BS,2-4	2.3	4	3	3	1	2			

Milwaukee									
IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO				
Clintng	4	6	3	3	2	3			
CSmith	2	3	1	1	0	3			
Coffey	1	1	0	0	0	1			
Stetter	1	0	0	0	0	1			
Hoffman W,1-1	1	4	2	2	1	0			

Coffey pitched to 1 batter in the 8th. Romo pitched to 2 batters in the 8th.

WP—McClng. Umpires—Home, Joe West; First, Ed Rapavano; Second, Paul Schrieber; Third, Paul Nauert. T-3:18. A-42,065 (41,900).

Interleague Boxes

RED SOX 1, BRAVES 0									
Boston					Atlanta				
ab	r	h	bi	ab	r	h	bi	ab	r
Pedroia 2b	4	0	0	GBlanc cf	4	0	2	0	0
J.Drew rf	4	0	0	Prado 2b	3	0	0	0	0
Yankees 3b	3	1	2	C.Jones 3b	4	0	0	0	0
D.Ortiz lf	2	0	1	McCnn c	3	0	0	0	0
Baldelli lf	0	0	0	GAndrs lf	4	0	1	0	0
Kotsay Ph 3	0	1	1	Kitchm lf	4	0	0	0	0
Elsbury cf	4	0	0	C.Saunders cf	3	0	0	0	0
Lugo ss	4	0	0	D.Hrdnz ss	3	0	1	0	0
Papelin p	0	0	0	Vazoz p	2	0	0	0	0
Kottars c	4	0	0	O.FHirt p	0	0	0	0	0
Wakild p	2	0	1	M.Diaz ph	0	0	0	0	0
Lowe ph	1	0	0	Rosorin p	0	0	0	0	0
Diermn p	0	0	0						
Mstron p	0	0	0						
NGreen ss	0	0	0						
Totals	31	1	6	Totals	30	0	4	0	0
Boston	000	000	000	-1	Atlanta	000	000	000	-0

DP—Atlanta 1, LOB—Boston 7, Atlanta 6. 2B—G.Anderson (11), 3B—Yokulis (1), SB—G.Bianco (2), McCann (3), CS—Pedroia (5), S—Prado.

Boston Wakefield 10,3 Delcarmen H,3 Mstron 4,1 Fukuim cf 2,1 Papehorn 5,18-19 Atlanta Yazquez L,5-7 O'Flaherty R,Soriano WP—Masterson.

Umpires—Home, Marty Foster; First, Chad Fairchild; Second, John Hirschbeck; Third, Wally Bell. T-2:46. A-48,151 (49,743).

WHITE SOX 8, CUBS 7

Chicago (N)					Chicago (A)				
ab	r	h	bi	ab	r	h	bi	ab	r
Asorin lf	2	2	2	Pdsdnk lf	4	2	4	3	2
Theorist ss	4	1	2	ALRNzz ss	4	1	2	1	1
Bradly rf	5	0	1	O.Dyer rf	5	0	2	1	0
D.Lee lf	4	0	1	T.Thome dh	3	1	0	0	0
J.Fox dh	5	0	0	konerk lf	3	0	1	0	0
Soto c	4	0	0	Fields pr	0	0	0	0	0
Freeb 3b	4	1	0	Pryns c	5	0	2	2	2
Fukuim cf	2	1	0	Getz 2b	5	0	2	2	2
Ablanc 2b	4	2	2	N.Kh ph	0	0	0	0	0
				Blinch 3b	5	1	2	1	1
				Wise cf	2	2	1	0	0
Totals	36	7	9	Totals	36	8	14	8	8
Chicago (N)	002	013	001	-7	Chicago (A)	110	031	011	-8

Two outs when winning run scored.

E—A.Ramirez (2), Beckham (5), DP—Chicago (1), LOB—Chicago (N) 8, Chicago (A) 10, 2B—A.Soriano (16), Podsdenik (8), Dye (12), 3B—Wise (2), HR—Podsdenik (3), SB—Getz (10), Wise (1), CS—Podsdenik (5), S—Fukudome, A.Ramirez, Wise, SF—D.Lee.

Umpires—Home, Angel Campos; First, Brian Runge; Second, Deryll Cousins; Third, Bill Miller. T-3:31. A-39,259 (40,615).

REDS 7, INDIANS 3

Cincinnati					Cleveland				
ab	r	h	bi	ab	r	h	bi	ab	r
Dickson cf	5	1	2	J.Carril 2b	3	0	0	0	0
Hrstnr 3b	5	0	3	Sizemr cf	4	0	1	2	0
Votto lf	5	0	2	MWRnz c	4	0	0	0	0
B.Philips 2b	5	0	1	C.Hoftr cf	4	0	0	0	0
L.Nix lf	4	2	2	Garko lf	3	1	0	0	0
Gomes dh	5	0	1	Hafner dh	4	0	0	0	0
Bruce rf	3	1	1	JhPerrit 3b	3	1	2	0	0
Hanig c	5	1	1	Valluen ss	4	0	0	0	0
Janish ss	3	2	1	O.Frnms lf	3	1	0	0	0
Totals	38	7	13	Totals	31	3	5	2	7
Cincinnati	041	001	001	-7	Cleveland	010	200	000	-3

E—Valbuena (5), DP—Cincinnati 1, Cleveland 2. LOB—Cincinnati 10, Cleveland 8. 2B—Dickerson (8), Hairston Jr. (9), Votto (12), L.Nix 2 (17), Hafner (8), HR—Bruce (18), SF—Bruce.

Cincinnati

IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
H.Bailey W,1-0	5	3	3	7	2
Masset H,6	1	1	0	0	1
Rhodes	1	0	0	0	0
Weathers	1	0	0	0	0
Cordero	1	0	0	0	0

Cleveland

IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
E-Valbuena (5), DP—Cincinnati 1, Cleveland 2. LOB—Cincinnati 10, Cleveland 8. 2B—Dickerson (8), Hairston Jr. (9), Votto (12), L.Nix 2 (17), Hafner (8), HR—Bruce (18), SF—Bruce.					

ASTROS 8, TIGERS 1

Detroit					Houston				
ab	r	h	bi	ab	r	h	bi	ab	r
Gndrs cf	3	0	0	Bourn cf	4	1	1	1	1
Rabun ph	1	0	0	Kppng 3b	3	1	0	1	0
Polanc 2b	4	0	0	Tejada ss	3	1	1	0	0
MCarr lf	4	0	1	Ca.Lee lf	4	0	2	1	0

THANS IF									
ab	r	h	bi	ab	r	h	bi	ab	r
Kelly rf	3	0	1	0	Brkm lf	4	1	2	1
Wge 2b	3	0	0	0	Pencer rf	4	1	1	1
Dols p	0	0	0	0	Quinter c	4	1	1	0
Laird c	3	0	0	0	F.Palun p	2	0	0	0
D.Ryan c	0	0	0	0	Fulchin p	0	0	0	0
Santiago ss	3	1	1	1	Erstad ph	1	0	1	0
Figaro p	2	0	0	0	Wright p	0	0	0	0
Jndrs rf	0	0	0	0					
Totals	30	1	3	Totals	33	8	8	8	8

RAYS 3, MARLINS 2

Florida					Tampa Bay				
ab	r	h	bi	ab	r	h	bi	ab	r
Coghlin lf	4	0	1	0	BUpn cf	3	0	1	1
Bonifac 3b	3	1	1	0	Cwfrd lf	4	0	1	0
HRmrz ss	4	0	0	1	Lngorn 3b	4	0	0	0
Cantu dh	4	0	0	0	C.Pena lf	4	1	1	1
Gload lf	4	0	0	0	Zobrst 2b	3	0	0	0
Ugla 2b	3	0	0	0	Burrell dh	3	0	0	0
C.Ross cf	4	0	1	0	Gross rf	4	0	0	0
RPauln c	4	0	0	0	Barlett ss	4	2	2	0
BCarril rf	4	1	1	1	MHRnd c	3	0	1	0
					WYay ph	0	0	0	1
Totals	34	2	6	Totals	31	3	7	3	3

FLORIDA

IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
E—Longoria (8), LOB—Florida 7, Tampa Bay 7. 2B—Ugla (2), Barlett (14), HR—B.Carril (2), C.Pena (23), SB—Bonifacio 2 (15), Crawford (39), Barlett (16), CS—B.Upn (7), SF—W.Yay.					

PIRATES 6, ROYALS 2

Kansas City					Pittsburgh				
ab	r	h	bi	ab	r	h	bi	ab	r
DeJesse lf	4	0	0	0	McClth cf	4	0	0	0
Blmgst cf	4	2	2	0	Morgan lf	4	2	2	0
Butler lf	4	0	2	0	FSnch 2b	4	0	0	0
JGullin rf	4	0	1	0	AdLRc lf	4	2	2	1
Olivu c	4	0	0	0	D.Wlfr lf	4	1	2	4
Callah 2b	4	0	0	0	AnLRc lf	3	1	0	0
Teahen 3b	3	0	0	0	R.Diaz c	4	0	0	0
LHRndz ss	3	0	0	0	J.Wlfn ss	3	0	2	1



Pitching carries Sox past Braves

ATLANTA — Tim Wakefield pitched six scoreless innings to win a duel with Javier Vazquez, and the Boston Red Sox blanked the pugnacious Atlanta Braves 1-0 Saturday.

Mark Kotsay drove in the game's only run with a sixth-inning single.

Wakefield (10-3) came up with a performance worthy of the day he tied Roger Clemens' record for the most career starts by a Red Sox pitcher at 382. His knuckleball was really fluttering on a sweltering day at Turner Field — it was 95 degrees at first pitch — and the Braves managed just three singles off the 42-year-old right-hander.

Wakefield became the AL's third 10-game winner, joining Minnesota's Kevin Slowey and Toronto's Roy Halladay. Jonathan Papelbon worked around a shaky ninth for his 18th save.

Vazquez (5-7) certainly pitched good enough to win. He struck out eight to claim the NL strikeout lead from San Francisco's Tim Lincecum (125-124), but a brief spurt of wildness in the sixth was costly.

PHILLIES 10, BLUE JAYS 0

TORONTO — J.A. Happ pitched a five-hit shutout, Jayson Werth homered twice and the Philadelphia Phillies blanked the Toronto Blue Jays.

In the first complete game of his career, Happ (5-0) struck out four and didn't walk a batter to win for the first time in four starts, helping the Phillies snap a three-game losing streak. The victory was Philadelphia's third in 14 games.

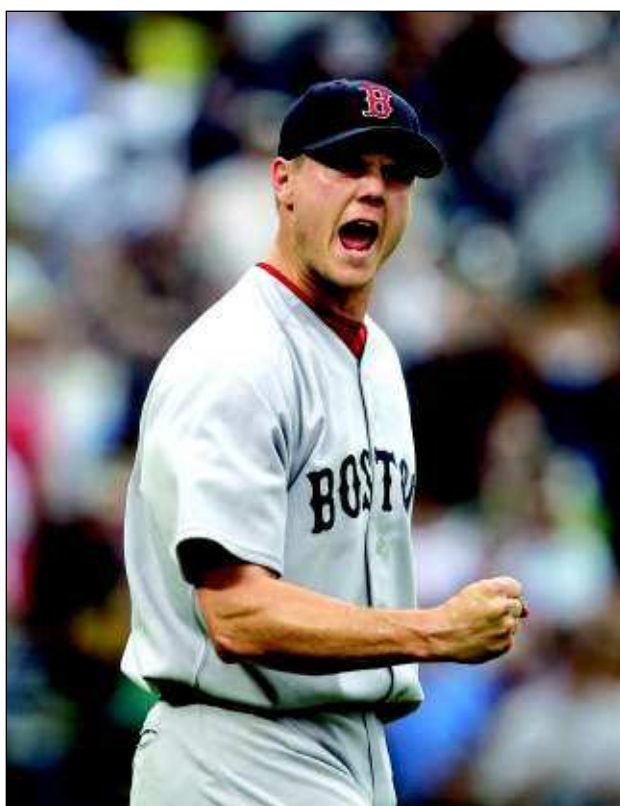
CARDINALS 5, TWINS 3

ST. LOUIS — Albert Pujols hit a pair of two-run homers, helping the St. Louis Cardinals pound 10-game winner Kevin Slowey in a victory over the Minnesota Twins.

Pujols leads the majors with 28 homers and 74 RBIs after his 29th career multi-homer game, sixth this season and second in six days. Both homers came off Slowey (10-3), whose bid to take the major league lead in victories was a bust, and Pujols' second long ball put the Cardinals ahead 5-3 in the third.

ANGELS 2, DIAMONDBACKS 1

PHOENIX — Mike Napoli hit a tiebreaking home run in the top of the ninth inning to



AP photo

Boston red Sox relief pitcher Jonathan Papelbon reacts after getting the final out in the ninth inning against the Atlanta Braves in Atlanta on Saturday.

lift the Los Angeles Angels over the Arizona Diamondbacks.

Napoli hit an one-out, 0-1 pitch from Chad Qualls (1-1) 428 feet to center field to give the Angels their fourth straight win and 11th in the last 14.

Darren Oliver (2-0) pitched a scoreless eighth and Brian Fuentes got the last three outs for his major league-leading 21st save.

WHITE SOX 8, CUBS 7

CHICAGO — Gordon Beckham singled in the winning run with two outs in the ninth, and Scott Podsednik homered while tying a career high with four hits to lift the Chicago White Sox over the Cubs.

With the game tied at 7, Paul Konerko lined a single to left with one out off Sean Marshall (3-6) to start the winning rally.

Josh Fields ran for him and moved to second on A.J. Pierzynski's grounder, and Jose Ascanio walked pinch-hitter Jayson Nix. Beckham ended it with a long drive to right and got mobbed near second base by his teammates.

YANKEES 5, METS 0

NEW YORK — A.J. Burnett combined with two relievers on a one-hitter, Nick Swisher and Jorge Posada made Citi Field seem small with opposite-field homers, and the New York

Yankees rolled past the Mets again.

Alex Cora got the Mets' only hit, lining a clean single to center on a 0-1 pitch leading off the sixth.

The depleted Mets, playing with center fielder Carlos Beltran, shortstop Jose Reyes, first baseman Carlos Delgado on the disabled list, have been outscored 14-1 and out-hit 22-4 in the first two games.

ASTROS 8, TIGERS 1

HOUSTON — Rookie right-hander Felipe Paulino pitched seven solid innings and the Houston Astros used a five-run third to pull away from the Detroit Tigers.

It was Houston's third straight win and gave the Astros the series victory in this interleague matchup which ends Sunday.

PIRATES 6, ROYALS 2

PITTSBURGH — Delwyn Young homered and drove in a career-high four runs to lead the Pittsburgh Pirates to their fourth straight win.

Paul Maholm (5-4) allowed only two runs in seven innings and Jack Wilson and Adam LaRoche each had two hits and an RBI for Pittsburgh, which clinched a winning record in interleague play for only the second season since the format was adopted 12 years ago.

ORIOLES 6, NATIONALS 3

BALTIMORE — Nolan

Reimold hit a three-run homer, Gregg Zaun and Aubrey Huff had solo shots, and the Baltimore Orioles received a strong performance from their bullpen in a victory over the Washington Nationals.

After Orioles starter Jeremy Guthrie (6-7) allowed three runs in five shaky innings, four Baltimore relievers limited the Nationals to three hits the rest of the way. Matt Albers worked out of a bases-loaded jam in the sixth, Jim Johnson pitched two shutout innings and George Sherrill worked a perfect ninth for his 16th save.

REDS 7, INDIANS 3

CLEVELAND — Homer Bailey pitched five innings for his first major league win in nearly two years and Jay Bruce hit his 18th home run for Cincinnati to help the Reds beat the Cleveland Indians.

Bailey (1-0) was recalled from Triple-A earlier in the day to make his second start of the year and won for the first time since Sept. 20, 2007 against the Chicago Cubs. He labored through five innings, giving up three runs on three hits and seven walks.

RAYS 3, MARLINS 2

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla. — Carlos Pena hit his AL-leading 23rd home run and Willy Aybar broke a ninth-inning tie with a pinch-hit sacrifice fly, giving the Tampa Bay Rays a victory over the Florida Marlins.

Jason Bartlett singled off Burke Badenhop (5-3) with one out in the ninth, stole second and moved to third on a wild pitch. He scored easily on Aybar's fly ball to center field, as the Rays won their fourth straight to climb a season-best six games over .500 at 41-35.

PADRES 7, RANGERS 3

ARLINGTON, Texas — Rookie Kyle Blanks drove in three runs and the San Diego Padres had a season-high 16 hits while beating the Texas Rangers.

Blanks, called up last week from Triple-A Portland, had the first RBI of his career with a double in the second. He added a two-run double in the fifth that gave San Diego a 6-1 advantage.

National League

BREWERS 7, GIANTS 6
MILWAUKEE — Prince

Major League Baseball

All times MDT									
American League									
East Division									
	W	L	Pct	GB	WGB	LIO	Str	Home	Away
Boston	46	28	.622	-	-	7-3	W-2	25-10	21-18
New York	42	32	.568	4	-	5-5	W-4	21-14	21-18
Tampa Bay	41	35	.539	6	2	6-4	W-4	25-13	16-22
Toronto	41	35	.539	6	2	6-4	L-1	24-15	17-20
Baltimore	34	40	.459	12	8	7-3	W-2	19-20	11-23
Central Division									
	W	L	Pct	GB	WGB	LIO	Str	Home	Away
Detroit	41	33	.554	-	-	7-3	L-2	23-11	18-23
Minnesota	38	38	.500	4	5	5-5	L-1	24-15	14-23
Chicago	36	38	.486	5	6	6-4	W-1	19-20	17-18
Kansas City	31	42	.425	9½	10½	2-8	L-3	19-20	12-22
Cleveland	31	45	.408	11	12	2-8	L-1	17-20	14-25
West Division									
	W	L	Pct	GB	WGB	LIO	Str	Home	Away
Los Angeles	40	32	.556	-	-	7-3	W-4	20-15	20-17
Texas	40	33	.548	½	1½	4-6	L-1	23-15	17-18
Seattle	37	36	.507	3½	4½	7-3	L-1	21-15	16-21
Oakland	31	41	.431	9	10	4-6	L-3	17-18	14-23
National League									
East Division									
	W	L	Pct	GB	WGB	LIO	Str	Home	Away
Philadelphia	38	34	.528	-	-	2-8	W-1	13-22	25-12
New York	37	36	.507	1½	2½	4-6	L-2	22-16	15-20
Florida	38	38	.500	2	3	6-4	L-2	20-20	18-18
Atlanta	34	40	.459	5	6	4-6	L-4	17-21	17-19
Washington	21	51	.292	17	18	5-5	L-2	13-25	8-26
Central Division									
	W	L	Pct	GB	WGB	LIO	Str	Home	Away
Milwaukee	40	34	.541	-	-	5-5	W-2	20-16	20-18
St. Louis	41	35	.539	-	-	5-5	W-1	22-17	19-18
Cincinnati	36	37	.493	3½	3½	4-6	W-1	17-17	19-20
Chicago	35	36	.493	3½	3½	5-5	L-1	21-13	14-23
Houston	35	37	.486	4	4	6-4	W-3	19-20	16-17
Pittsburgh	35	39	.473	5	5	5-5	W-4	21-13	14-26
West Division									
	W	L	Pct	GB	WGB	LIO	Str	Home	Away
Los Angeles	48	26	.649	-	-	6-4	W-1	26-10	22-16
San Francisco	39	34	.534	8½	½	5-5	L-2	24-12	15-22
Colorado	38	35	.521	9½	1½	7-3	W-1	17-15	21-20
San Diego	32	41	.438	15½	7½	4-6	W-1	21-15	11-26
Arizona	30	45	.400	18½	10½	3-7	L-4	15-27	15-18
Friday's Games									
Interleague									
Chicago Cubs 5, Chicago White Sox 4	Cleveland 9, Cincinnati 2								
Pittsburgh 5, Kansas City 3	Baltimore 11, Washington 1								
Toronto 6, Philadelphia 1	N.Y. Yankees 9, N.Y. Mets 1								
Boston 4, Atlanta 1	Tampa Bay 7, Florida 3								
Houston 5, Detroit 4	Texas 12, San Diego 2								
Minnesota 3, St. Louis 1	L.A. Angels 12, Arizona 3								
Colorado 4, Oakland 2	L.A. Dodgers 8, Seattle 2								
National League									
Milwaukee 5, San Francisco 1									
Saturday's Games									
Interleague									
Philadelphia 10, Toronto 0	St. Louis 5, Minnesota 3								
Boston 1, Atlanta 0	Chicago White Sox 8, Chicago Cubs 7								
L.A. Angels 2, Arizona 1	Cincinnati 7, Cleveland 3								
Houston 8, Detroit 1	Pittsburgh 6, Kansas City 2								
Baltimore 6, Washington 3	Tampa Bay 5, Florida 2								
N.Y. Yankees 5, N.Y. Mets 0	San Diego 7, Texas 3								
Colorado at Oakland, late	Seattle at L.A. Dodgers, late								
National League									
Milwaukee 7, San Francisco 6									
Sunday's Games									
Interleague									
Cincinnati (Owings 4-8) at Cleveland (D.Huff 3-2), 1:05 p.m.									
Philadelphia (Moyer 5-6) at Toronto (Tallet 5-4), 1:07 p.m.									
Boston (Penny 6-2) at Atlanta (Hanson 3-0), 1:35 p.m.									
Kansas City (Greinke 9-3) at Pittsburgh (Morton 0-0), 1:35 p.m.									
Washington (Lannan 4-5) at Baltimore (DaHernandez 1-1), 1:35 p.m.									
Florida (A.Miller 2-3) at Tampa Bay (Price 1-2), 1:38 p.m.									
Chicago Cubs (Zambrano 4-2) at Chicago White Sox (Danks 5-6), 2:05 p.m.									
Detroit (C.Jackson 6-4) at Houston (R.Ortiz 3-3), 2:05 p.m.									
Minnesota (Liriano 3-8) at St. Louis (Pineiro 6-8), 2:15 p.m.									
Colorado (Cook 7-3) at Oakland (Mazzaro 2-2), 4:05 p.m.									
L.A. Angels (Palmer 6-1) at Arizona (Scherzer 5-4), 4:10 p.m.									
Seattle (Olson 2-2) at L.A. Dodgers (Kuroda 2-3), 4:10 p.m.									
N.Y. Yankees (Wang 0-6) at N.Y. Mets (L.Hernandez 5-2), 8:05 p.m.									
San Diego (Gaudin 3-6) at Texas (Tom.Hunter 0-0), 8:05 p.m.									
National League									
San Francisco (Sadowski 0-0) at Milwaukee (Suppan 5-5), 2:05 p.m.									
Monday's Games									
American League									
Boston at Baltimore, 7:05 p.m.	Chicago White Sox at Cleveland, 7:05 p.m.								
Tampa Bay at Toronto, 7:07 p.m.	L.A. Angels at Texas, 8:05 p.m.								
Minnesota at Kansas City, 8:10 p.m.	Detroit at Oakland, 10:05 p.m.								
National League									
Chicago Cubs at Pittsburgh, 7:05 p.m.	N.Y. Mets at Milwaukee, 7:08 p.m.								
Washington at Florida, 7:10 p.m.	San Francisco at St. Louis, 8:15 p.m.								
Houston at San Diego, 10:05 p.m.	Colorado at L.A. Dodgers, 10:10 p.m.								

Felder hit a three-run homer in the sixth and then knocked in the winning run as the Brewers rallied with three runs in the ninth for a wild win.

Brian Wilson (2-4) blew his fourth save of the season. After Corey Hart's RBI sin-

gle, J.J. Hardy slapped a shot off the glove off second baseman Juan Uribe and Gamel raced from second to beat the throw home and tie the game. One out later, Felder doubled into the right-field corner.

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By John Miller
Associated Press writer

BOISE — Whether commuter or racer, cyclists dread the telltale clunk-and-spin of a dropped chain.

At minimum, it's an inconvenience. For professional cyclists, however, one errant shift that throws their links into limbo can mean the difference between climbing the podium and also-ran status.

In this year's Tour de France, at least one team, U.S.-based Garmin-Slipstream, will use a "chain catcher" first employed by former world champion Kristin Armstrong when she won the gold medal in the 2008 Beijing Olympics time trial.

In a sport where components like Armstrong's "K-Edge Chain Catcher" are traditionally tested in professional cycling's macho male peloton, this elegant innovation was put through the paces by a woman who pays attention to the tiniest details of bike racing.

"Everything you do to your bike adds up as free speed," the Boise resident told The Associated Press in



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Kristin Armstrong speaks during the Blue Cruise of Idaho event May 31 in Twin Falls. The "chain catcher" used by Armstrong to win a gold medal in the 2008 Beijing Olympics will be used by a team during this year's Tour de France.

mid-June from Minnesota, where she won the Nature Valley Grand Prix stage race. "It's what you're doing

above and beyond what everyone else is doing that's going to give you the five- to 10-second advantage you

need to win."

She's given one of the devices to Lance Armstrong, the seven-time Tour winner, and Levi Leipheimer, the bronze medalist in the Beijing Olympic men's time trial. However, Philippe Maertens, a spokesman for their Astana team, said in an e-mail that it was "never on their bikes in a race" and won't be used by them when the Tour begins July 4 in Monaco.

Riders have long jury-rigged their own chain catchers. Others that clamp around the seat tube are available commercially. But Kristin Armstrong's 10-gram aluminum version bolts onto the front derailleur, making it suitable for modern carbon-fiber racing bicycles with large, unconventionally shaped frame tubes.

A self-described aggressive shifter, she nearly lost the 2006 World Championship time trial in Salzburg, Austria, when she dropped her chain.

Fearing a repeat in Beijing, Armstrong's engineer husband, Joe Savola, sketched out the idea on a

napkin. Boise-based AceCo Precision Manufacturing, whose main products include knives that chop McDonald's French fries, refined it.

Her chain stayed on. She won by 24 seconds.

In addition to Garmin-Slipstream, at least two American domestic women's teams — Jelly Belly and Kenda — are using them, said AceCo vice president Eric Jensen, a cycling enthusiast and a friend of Kristin Armstrong.

"As a fan of cycling, I'd like to see the Americans have every advantage," said Legan, whose company has produced about 3,000 chain catchers and is selling them for \$45 each.

The U.S. Olympic team's head mechanic, Nick Legan, also wrenches for the Garmin-Slipstream squad. After Armstrong's victory, he ordered 45 chain catchers from Jensen before the pro team's 160-mile race from Paris to Roubaix, a famed race in April over bone- and chain-jarring cobblestones.

Legan said it amounts to "an insurance policy."

British rider Bradley Wiggins used one during

his second-place ride in the final stage of the Giro d'Italia in May. Now, the team's nine-member Tour de France contingent will use them on all time trial bikes, and some road bikes.

"In the heat of the moment, with lactic acid boiling out of their ears, a racer will sometimes wait too long to shift, or shift over some cobbles," Legan told the AP from his home in Girona, Spain. "And that can spell catastrophe."

One of Garmin-Slipstream's riders, Briton David Millar, knows that well.

Riding for a different team in the 2003 Tour, Millar was about to win the opening prologue when his chain fell off on the final corner. He lost by less than a second and cursed team officials in a well-publicized post-race blowup. In this year's Tour, his bikes will be outfitted with Armstrong's chain catcher.

"We can't win bike races for them, but we can lose them if we aren't careful," Legan said. "The K-Edge takes one more issue out of the equation."

YOUTH BASEBALL



Courtesy photo

Minor league champs

The Dodgers claimed the 2009 Twin Falls Minor League championship. Pictured from left, front row: Eli Oneida (bat boy), Nicholas Hale, Chase Hagl, Carson Prescott, Cooper Moon, Robert Swoboda and Trevor Richardson (bat boy); back row: Coach Gary Moon, Lucas Young, Justice Coates, Garret Miskin, Peyton Richardson, Skyler Oneida, Marcus Hale and coach Tim Richardson.

FOOTBALL



Courtesy photo

Eighth-grade all-stars

A number of area players took part in the eighth-grade Idaho all-star game in Pocatello on June 20. Pictured, from left, front row: Hunter Waters (Twin Falls); back row: Jason Byce (Twin Falls), Bradley Lucas (Twin Falls), Thomas Corr (Twin Falls), Garrett Hyde (Bear Lake) and Jordan Browning (Minico).

CYCLING



Courtesy photo

Mini-Cassia bikers ride with Armstrong

Several bikers from the Mini-Cassia area participated in the Twin Falls Blue Cruise of Idaho, biking 15, 30 or 50 miles with Olympic gold medal cyclist Kristin Armstrong on May 30. The Mini-Cassia cyclists were a part of the CSI Blue Cruise team. Armstrong, a Boise resident, won the gold medal in the women's road time trial in Beijing last August. Pictured, from left, front row: Alice Schenk, gold medalist Kristin Armstrong, Karen Dayley, Rick Dayley, Rhonda Searle and Kymrie Plant; back row: Ken Stephens, Walter McCall, Rock Temple, Justin Mitchell, Stan Baker, Jon Searle, Mike Garner and Rob Hansen.

CYCLING

Magic Valley Intercity play continues

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The women of Magic Valley Intercity gathered for another round of golf at Blue Lakes Country Club on June 15.

When the final shot was fired, the season lead was shared by Blue Lakes and Clear Lake with 30 points apiece.

Canyon Springs is third with 26.5, while Burley (24.5),

Twin Falls Muni (20), Jerome (18), Rupert (17), and Gooding (14) round out the standings.

Intercity play continues Aug. 4 with a 9 a.m. round at Gooding Country Club.

YOUTH SOFTBALL



Courtesy photo

Terror tops at Twin Falls tourney

The Twin Falls Terror Softball U16 team won the championship at the Twin Falls Tournament on June 13. Pictured, from left, front row: Alex Lindbloom, Brianna Bishop, Maddie Traveler and Jenn Sherman; back row: Liz Tolbert, coach Ken Johnson, Allie Johnson, Jazmyne Orozco, Jackelynn Corr, Jade Byce, Brylee Bartlett, Colby Argyle and coach John Tolbert.



Courtesy photo

The Magic Valley Sooners pose in their high school team uniforms. The Sooners won the Brigham City Invitational last weekend.

Magic Valley Sooners claim Brigham City invite crown

Times-News

While prepping for a championship matchup against either the Storm or the Thunder, some actual inclement weather nixed things. But the Magic Valley Sooners had already done enough to be named champions of the Brigham City (Utah) Invitational.

The Sooners opened play in Brigham City with a 5-3 pool play win over the Eclipse of Ogden, Utah. Winning pitcher Nellie Makings and Averie Schroeder both went 2-for-3 in the win.

Magic Valley then rolled to a 15-0, three-inning win over the Devastation. Whitney Carlton went 3-for-3 with a triple and two singles, while Katherine

Hunter was 3-for-3 with a home run.

The first game of bracket play saw the Sooners rally for a 3-2 win over the Thunder in extra innings. T.J. Surrage went 2-for-3 and Magic Valley came back from an 0-2 deficit with consecutive fifth-inning doubles by Courtney Azevedo and Tiffany Joyce and a single by Carlton. Azevedo later hit in the winning run.

The Sooners beat the Storm 6-1 as Makings went 2-for-3 and recorded eight strikeouts. The Storm and Thunder were to play for the right to face Magic Valley again, but weather halted the proceedings.

Magic Valley competed at the Boise Blast this weekend and travels to a showcase in Denver, Colo., this week.

Your Scores

BOWLING

BOWLADROME, TWIN FALLS NASCAR SCOTCH DOUBLES SERIES: Jody & Nick 578, Tyler & Angel 536, Cody & Cliff 480, Nate & Joelle 456.

GAMES: Tyler & Angel 208, Jody & Nick 201, Nate & Joelle 173, Cody & Cliff 170.

TUES. NO TAP

MEN'S SERIES: Blaine McAllister 718, Ed Dutry 708, Josh Serr 695, Bill Boren 688.

MEN'S GAMES: Josh Serr 258, O.J. Edwards 254, Blaine McAllister 251, Bill Boren 251. **LADIES SERIES:** Gail McAllister 622, Doris Borwn 609, Sandy Schroeder 580, Jessie Biggerstaff 559.

LADIE GAMES: Gail McAllister 237, Doris Brown 231, Edith

Sutherland 216, Sandy Schroeder 211.

THURS. A.M.

MEN'S SERIES: Myron Schroeder 621, Tom Smith 605, Eddie Chappell 586, Dave Wilson 579.

MEN'S GAMES: Myron Schroeder 244, Tom Smith 235, Blaine Ross 224, Eddie Chappell 222.

LADIES SERIES: Gail McAllister 495, Ann Shepherd 493, Kimmie Lee 485, Linda Vining 474.

LADIES GAMES: Kimmie Lee 192, Linda Vining 179, Ann Shepherd 175, LaVona Young 172.

THURS. NO TAP

MEN'S SERIES: Frank Delia 682, Jerry Moses 662, Josh Serr 651, Eric Parton 624.

MEN'S GAMES: Josh Serr 264, Frank Delia 256, Eric Parton 236, Jerry Moses 231.

LADIES SERIES: Joelle Moses 512,

Cherish Rucker 229.

LADIES GAMES: Joelle Moses 160, Cherish Rucker 96.

MAGIC BOWL, TWIN FALLS TUES. MIXED

MEN'S SERIES: Cotlin Runyan 601, Joe McClure 523, Chad Yturbe 507, Kenny Schoonover 502.

MEN'S GAMES: Cotlin Runyan 225, Joe McClure 211, Chad Yturbe 181, Tim Craig 178.

LADIES SERIES: Randi Hernandez 526, Kathy McClure 503, Angie Wayment 499, Shanda Pickett 409.

LADIES GAMES: Randi Hernandez 201, Kathy McClure 193, Angie Wayment 186, Hillary Pflieger 153.

ADULT/YOUTH

MEN'S SERIES: Joe McClure 644 **MEN'S GAMES:** Joe McClure 246, Kyle Mason 220.

MAGIC VALLEY SPORTS ANNOUNCEMENTS

IGA Men's qualifiers canceled

All qualifiers for the 2009 IGA Men's Amateur have been canceled. Players who have applied to play will be able to compete in the championship, held July 17-19 at Falcon Crest Golf Course in Kuna. The \$35 qualifier entry fee will be used as partial payment for the championship entry fee. An additional \$100 will be required payment to finalize an entry (\$130 with a cart).

Players who have not submitted an entry form must pay \$135 or \$165 with a cart. Entries will be accepted based upon the order of receipt. The field will be limited to 144 players and registration is due by noon on Friday, July 10.

Information: 208-342-4442 or <http://www.theiga.org>

T.F. holds soccer sign-ups

TWIN FALLS — The Twin Falls Parks and Recreation District is holding registration for fall soccer through July 24.

This is for boys and girls in grades K through 7, and games begin the week of Aug. 31. The fee is \$15 for participants in city limits and \$25 for those outside. There is a \$10 late fee if registering after July 24. Jerseys are available for purchase for \$10.

Volunteer coaches are also needed. Information: 736-2265 or <http://www.tfid.org>.

Filer hosts volleyball camp

FILER — Filer volleyball camp will be held Monday through Wednesday at Filer High School. The camp is open to ages 7-12 and the

cost is \$80 per player. Sessions will run from 9 a.m. to noon and 1-4 p.m. each day.

Information: Ed Richards at 326-3361 or Kristen Young at 731-8954.

Burley course holds Fun Night

BURLEY — Burley Golf Course will hold its annual Burley Men's Club Fun Night Golf on Tuesday. Play begins with a 5:30 p.m. shotgun start. The format is a team scramble with a Chicago scoring format. The entry fee for the nine-hole event is \$10 per player and includes dinner.

Information: 208-878-9807.

Big Ray 3-on-3 tourney set

GLENNS FERRY — The Big Ray 3-on-3

Shootout will be held July 4 at the Glens Ferry City Park. The event is open to boys and girls of all ages and the cost is \$50 per team. Proceeds benefit the Glens Ferry High School Booster Club and each participant will receive a T-shirt.

Information: Nate at 208-599-1160 or Jeremiah at 208-695-67017.

Minico volleyball camp nears

RUPERT — The Minico High School summer volleyball camp, presented by Weber State University, will be held July 6-8 for players entering the seventh through 12th grades. The cost is \$100. Information: Kris Christensen at 312-0278 or Lindsay Hurst at 431-6469

— Staff reports

Questions swirl around doctor in Jackson's death

By Gillian Flaccus
Associated Press writer

LOS ANGELES — Elvis had one. So did Anna Nicole Smith and Marilyn Monroe. They are the doctors who cater to celebrities, dispensing powerful painkillers and sedatives to some of Hollywood's best-known entertainers.

Now, as police investigate Michael Jackson's sudden death, questions are swirling around the King of Pop's personal cardiologist and his actions in the superstar's final days.

Dr. Conrad Murray reportedly was with Jackson when he stopped breathing

Thursday and performed CPR until paramedics arrived. An ambulance crew worked on Jackson at his home for 42 minutes before rushing him to UCLA Medical Center, where he was pronounced dead.

The cardiologist has hired a Houston-based law firm and on Saturday, an attorney there said he was cooperating.

"Dr. Murray has never left L.A. since Mr. Jackson's death, and he remains there. Investigators have indicated Dr. Murray is considered a witness and is not in any



Murray

way a target of any kind," William M. Stradley told The Associated Press. He said his colleague was meeting with investigators on Saturday.

Also on Saturday, the Rev. Jesse Jackson said the singer's family wants a private autopsy because of unanswered questions about how he died and about Murray.

And Jackson's longtime friend Deepak Chopra said he's been concerned since 2005 that physicians were overmedicating the singer. The suspicions of

Jackson's friends and family fit into a long-standing pattern of celebrity doctors becoming entangled in death investigations involving prescription drugs.

Doctors can become enchanted by the glamour of the celebrity lifestyle and may find it hard to refuse potent painkillers for their clients because of their wealth and power.

"It's a big issue with people who are used to getting what they want. And if someone says no, they can pay someone else to get what they want," said Karen Sternheimer, a sociologist at the University of Southern California who is writing a

book on social problems and celebrity culture.

"The physician is not immune to that heady feeling of being in a celebrity's inner circle."

In other instances, the doctors themselves may have questionable pasts or significant debts, and caring for a celebrity allows them to make large amounts of money, said Julie Albright, a sociologist at the University of Southern California.

"Some of these people might not be the most successful doctors, so the money will also buy their complicity in fueling a drug habit," said Albright, who was speaking generally and

not specifically about Murray.

Records reveal years of financial troubles for Murray, a 1989 graduate of Meharry Medical College in Nashville who practices medicine in California, Nevada and Texas.

Over the last 18 months, Murray's Nevada medical practice, Global Cardiovascular Associates, has been slapped with more than \$400,000 in court judgments: \$228,000 to Citicorp Vendor Finance Inc., \$71,000 to an education loan company and \$135,000 to a leasing company. He faces at least two other pending cases.



Singer Michael Jackson looks out from an ambulance as he arrives at Brotman Memorial Hospital in Culver City, Jan. 27, 1984, after suffering second-degree burns on his scalp while filming a Pepsi commercial.

AP file photo

Series of medical mishaps ran throughout Jackson's career

By Jake Coyle
Associated Press writer

It was the last day of shooting for a Pepsi commercial at the Shrine Auditorium in Los Angeles in 1984, and the only hiccup had been an argument between Michael Jackson and an ad executive over whether the young superstar would take off his sunglasses.

"Then," as the executive later wrote, "we set his hair on fire."

Jackson was descending a staircase in an extravagant, pyrotechnic opening sequence, dancing to "Billie Jean," when a spark landed on his head. Jackson cried out. People nearby leapt on him to put out the fire, but Jackson was hospitalized for days with a burned scalp.

Thus began a thread of pain that ran through a remarkable career — and made painkillers all too accessible.

Because of accidents, frequent plastic surgery and the sheer intensity of his dancing, physical agony was the unshakable problem with being Michael Jackson.

Medical examiners in Los Angeles are perhaps weeks away from determining an official cause of death, but officials did say Friday that tests showed Jackson was taking prescription medication.

At the end of his life, a personal cardiologist was living with Jackson while he rehearsed rigorously for a historic comeback. Among the first steps police took was to tow the doctor's BMW, saying it might contain medication or other evidence.

Since his death, people close to Jackson have said they were worried about his dependence on the drugs. In 1993, while he was defending himself against child molestation charges, Jackson called it an addiction.

On Saturday, spiritual teacher Dr. Deepak Chopra said he had been concerned since 2005 that Jackson was abusing painkillers and spoke to the pop star about suspected drug use as recently as six months ago.

"In a way, this was coming, and in a way, it's frustrating that we couldn't do anything about it," he told The Associated Press. "The problem has been going on for a long time, but we didn't know what to do. There were attempts at intervention, and it didn't succeed."

Chopra said Jackson, a longtime friend, personally asked him for painkillers in 2005, when the singer was staying with him after he was acquitted on sex-abuse charges. Chopra said he refused.

He also said the nanny of Jackson's children repeat-

edly contacted him with concerns about Jackson's drug use over the next four years, and said Jackson would avoid his calls whenever the subject came up.

Well before Jackson had a doctor living under his own roof, there were ample reasons to turn to pharmaceuticals to relieve pain.

In the early 1990s, Jackson's dermatologist revealed the singer had a skin disorder known as vitiligo, which leads to white patches on the skin. And over the years, Jackson underwent numerous plastic surgeries, the most prominent being the narrowing of his nose. Few people know exactly how many there were in all.

Jackson was a passionate performer and an exceptional dancer, renowned for his choreographical perfection. Ailments were, or at least began as, a byproduct of his dedication.

In 1990, he was hospitalized with chest pains. In 1993, he canceled a performance due to dehydration and later cut his tour short because of his painkiller addiction. In 1995, he collapsed on stage at the Beacon Theater in New York and was hospitalized.

Then there was London. Mounting a comeback aimed at least in part on erasing the taint of years of

scandal, Jackson was to perform a staggering 50 shows at the O2 arena, the first of them in mid-July.

It was a schedule daunting enough that Jackson was training in recent months with Lou Ferrigno, the star of TV's "Incredible Hulk." And while a 50-show run would be challenging even for an athlete in his prime, Jackson was 50 years old. As he aged, his appearance had become famously, almost spectrally, drawn.

Those involved in the production said Jackson was heavily involved in all aspects of the concert rehearsals. He had hired a personal trainer and was practicing with backup dancers and choreographers several hours a day.

"He was working hard, setting the example, over-seeing the choreography, kicking butt and taking names," said Johnny Caswell, president of CenterStaging Musical Productions Inc., a Burbank, Calif., sound stage where Jackson rehearsed until late May. "He was ready to blow everybody out of the water."

Randy Phillips, president and CEO of AEG Live, the producers of the London show, said Jackson was dancing "as well or better than the 20-year-old dancers we surrounded him with. ... He was riveting."

Arab world mourns Michael Jackson

By Hadeel Al Shalchi
Associated Press writer

CAIRO — A Bahraini royal mourned him publicly, young Lebanese held a candlelight tribute, Egyptian musicians hailed him as an inspiration.

Beyond his global reach, Michael Jackson held a special place in the Muslim world, as one of the first major Western entertainers to break through cultural barriers in the 1980s.

Some made a connection with the pop icon because of rumors, never substantiated, that he had converted to Islam. Others embraced him as one of their own after he sought refuge in the Gulf emirate of Bahrain in 2005, following a bruising trial on child molestation charges in the U.S.

"God have mercy on him. He was a Bahraini. He lived with us," said Jassim Ali, 35, shopping for Jackson CDs on Saturday in a music store in the capital, Manama.

Jackson only spent a year in the emirate, as a guest of Sheik Abdulla bin Hamad Isa Al Khalifa, a son of Bahrain's king and an aspiring songwriter who had befriended the entertainer. Jackson kept a low profile there, largely staying

close to his host.

After Jackson's departure, the sheik sued Jackson for \$7 million, saying he had failed to fulfill a joint music venture, but the two settled in November, with terms not disclosed.

The sheik said Saturday, in a statement in the Gulf Daily News, that "the world has lost a giant in the music industry."

"We are all very saddened by that," Al Khalifa said in comments confirmed by his spokesman.

Across the Arab world, the tributes to Jackson, who died Thursday, mirrored those elsewhere around the globe, though some argued the singer had a special appeal in the region.

"Religion is a big part of identity in this part of the world, and the idea he became Muslim boosted his popularity," said Egyptian cultural critic Tarek el-Shinnawi.

The conversion rumors were fueled, in parts, by comments by Jackson's brother, Jermaine, a convert to Islam, who has said his brother showed interest in the faith. In November, a British tabloid claimed Michael Jackson converted at a friend's home in Los Angeles.



AP photo

Inmates at the Cebu City Jail in Cebu central Philippines perform to the Michael Jackson's "Beat It" to pay tribute to the late music icon Saturday. More than 1,500 inmates became famous on YouTube for a 2007 video of their performance of Jackson's "Thriller."

Filipino inmates in YouTube 'Thriller' video stage tribute

CEBU, Philippines (AP) — The Filipino inmates who shot to global fame with a YouTube video of their "Thriller" dance swayed and stomped again Saturday in a behind-bars tribute to their idol, Michael Jackson.

After being told of Jackson's death Thursday in Los Angeles, the 1,500 inmates at the Cebu Provincial Detention and Rehabilitation Center hit the exercise yard, practicing for nine hours Friday night — and into the wee hours of Saturday morning — for the show. They took breaks only to eat or when it rained, said professional choreographer Gwendolyn Lador, hired by the prison to teach the inmates the dance.

"I felt sad because we lost our idol," said inmate Wenjiel Resane, who plays the role of Jackson's girlfriend in the video.

Crisanto Nieri, 38, was feeling a little extra stress.

He danced Jackson's part in "Thriller."

"Even as a kid, he was already my idol," said Nieri, who is serving seven years on drug charges. "I am happy that our video became famous, but I feel some pressure to perform well."

A crowd of 700 Cebuanos and foreign tourists watched the performance from a second-floor corridor, swaying to the music and applauding as the inmates, dressed in orange prison T-shirts and sweat pants, stomped and clapped in unison in the hilltop prison, behind thick stone walls topped by electrified razor wire.

Other numbers included "Ben," "I'll Be There" and "We Are the World." The inmates then held up a 5-by-10 foot tarpaulin showing Michael Jackson holding a sword with his name written below it.

Jackson's health issues

Michael Jackson's health was often the focus of media attention. His unexpected death Thursday has raised past medical issues that have been in the public eye.

1980s	1990s	2000s
<p>Jan. 1984: Briefly hospitalized for second degree burns to his scalp during filming of a Pepsi commercial.</p>	<p>Feb. 1988: In his autobiography, "Moon Walk," he claims he's only had surgeries on his nose and his chin.</p>	<p>June 1990: Released from a hospital after chest pains he suffered were traced to bruised ribs.</p>
	<p>Nov. 1993: Cancels world tour to seek treatment for painkiller addiction.</p>	<p>Dec. 1995: Suffers a "life-threatening illness that requires a five-day stay" in an intensive care unit.</p>
		<p>Feb. 15, 2005: Taken to an emergency room with the flu while en route to court.</p>
		<p>June 2005: Seeks medical attention for back injury and dehydration.</p>
		<p>June 13, 2007: A pharmacy sues Jackson claiming he owed more than \$100,000 for prescription drugs.</p>



AP photo

Rev. Jesse Jackson, left, and his son Yusef Jackson, speak with Joe Jackson, father of the late pop star Michael Jackson, outside the Jackson family home in the Encino neighborhood of Los Angeles on Friday.

By Nekesa Mumbi Moody
Associated Press writer

LOS ANGELES — Michael Jackson's family wants a private autopsy of the pop icon because of unanswered questions about how he died and the doctor who was with him, the Rev. Jesse Jackson said Saturday.

"It's abnormal," he told The Associated Press from Chicago a day after visiting the Jackson family. "We don't know what happened. Was he injected and with what? All reasonable doubt should be addressed."

People close to Jackson have said since his death that they were concerned about the superstar's use of painkillers. Los Angeles County medical examiners completed an autopsy Friday and said Jackson had taken prescription medication.

Medical officials also said there was no indication of trauma or foul play. An offi-

cial cause of death could take weeks.

The coroner's office released the body to Jackson's family Friday night. There was no immediate word on whether the second autopsy was being performed right away. Jesse Jackson described the family as grief-stricken.

"They're hurt because they lost a son. But the wound is now being kept open by the mystery and unanswered questions of the cause of death," he said.

Two days after Jackson died at a Los Angeles hospital, his most famous sister, Janet, arrived at the mansion Jackson had been renting. She drove up in a Bentley and left without addressing reporters.

Moving vans also showed up at the Jackson home, leaving about an hour later. There was no indication what they might have taken away.

There was also no word from the Jackson family on funeral plans. Many of

Jackson's relatives have gathered at the family's Encino compound, caring there for Jackson's three children.

A person close to the family told The Associated Press they feel upset and angry about a lack of information about those who were around the pop superstar in his final days. The person requested anonymity because of the delicate nature of the situation.

Jackson had been rehearsing for 50 London concerts aimed at restoring his crown as the King of Pop. He died Thursday at age 50 after what his family said appeared to be cardiac arrest.

A 911 call from Jackson's rented home reported that his personal doctor was trying to revive him without success. Police have talked to Dr. Conrad Murray and have said they intend to speak with him again but have stressed he is not a criminal suspect.

Murray has yet to speak

publicly since Jackson's death. Police towed his car from Jackson's home hours after Jackson died and said later it could contain medication or other evidence. Coroner's officials also said Jackson was taking prescription medication but declined to elaborate.

A lawyer at a Houston firm, William M. Stradley, confirmed Murray had hired his firm and said one of its partners was meeting with Los Angeles police on Saturday. Stradley said Murray accompanied Michael Jackson to the hospital.

"He was there from the beginning and he's been cooperating with police from the very beginning," Stradley said. "Dr. Murray has never left L.A. since Mr. Jackson's death, and he remains there."

The promoter of the series of London concerts that Jackson was to begin next month has said Jackson personally insisted Murray be on the payroll.

Court fight over Jackson's children looms

By Anthony McCartney
Associated Press writer

LOS ANGELES — Given the secrecy surrounding Michael Jackson's children throughout his life, it's no surprise that there are lingering questions about who will care for them after his death. What is almost certain is this: Their fate will be decided in a courtroom, with several people possibly vying for custody.

Experts say the person who has the strongest legal claim to Jackson's two oldest children is their mother, Deborah Rowe. As for the youngest child, Jackson's wishes will be more influential.

It remains unclear who Jackson designated as potential guardians for his children. Those details — likely contained in the 50-year-old singer's will — have not been released.

Rowe's attorney, Marta Almlj, wrote in a statement Saturday that "Ms. Rowe's only thoughts at this time have been regarding the devastating loss Michael's family has suffered. Ms. Rowe requests that Michael's family, and particularly the children, be spared such harmful, sensationalist speculation and that they be able to say goodbye to their

loved one in peace."

Jackson never told his family who he had in place to handle his business affairs, a person close to the family told The Associated Press on Friday. The person, who requested anonymity because of the delicate nature of the situation, said they were told by the singer's phalanx of advisers that he likely had a will, but it may be many years old.

The person also said that the children are still in the care of the extended Jackson family for the moment.

Jackson left behind three children: Michael Joseph Jackson Jr., known as Prince Michael, 12; Paris Michael Katherine Jackson, 11; and Prince Michael II, 7. The elder children were born to Rowe, while the youngest is his biological son, born to a surrogate mother.

Prince Michael II's mother has never been identified, and while she may surface, it is likely that she signed away her rights, said Stacy Phillips, a Los Angeles divorce attorney who has represented numerous high-profile clients.

Jackson was by several accounts an attentive and loving father.



Rowe

"He was a great father," said Raymone Bain, Jackson's former publicist and general manager. "Those kids knew three and four languages. Even the little one. They were well mannered and sweet. I can't imagine these children without him."

He was extremely protective of his children, who weren't often seen in public, and were photographed wearing veils, masks or other items covering their face when they were.

Rowe, a former nurse for Jackson's dermatologist, married Jackson in 1996 but filed for divorce in 1999. She later gave up her custody rights to the children, but petitioned to have those rights restored in 2003 after Jackson was arrested on child molestation charges, and an appeals court sided with her.

Jackson and Rowe apparently agreed in 2006 regarding her rights, but the terms have never been disclosed. The couple's divorce case that was heard in Los Angeles Superior Court remains closed.

Phillips said if her parental rights remain intact, she's presumed to be first in line to



AP file photo

Michael Jackson, center, wearing a traditional Arab woman's veil and gown, holds the hand of one of his children, Prince Michael II, also veiled, as they walk to their car behind a shopping mall in January 2006 in Manama, Bahrain.

receive custody of her two children. "That could still be contested," she added.

Rowe would have to undergo an evaluation by the court to determine if she's the best person to care for Jackson's children. So, too, would anyone else who applies to become the chil-

dren's guardianship — some of whom may have Jackson's blessing.

"If he did indicate a preference, that will be given great weight, but that will not be determinative," said Los Angeles attorney Gloria Allred. "Children are not property, they cannot be

willed to another person."

Allred agreed that Rowe has better legal standing than others who apply for custody of Jackson's eldest children.

"She's definitely going to have an advantage."

But a court will also take into account with whom the children have a relationship bond, and that may not work in Rowe's favor. She wrote in a 2001 petition to sever her parental rights that she thought Jackson was doing a good parenting job.

"Michael has been a wonderful father to the children, and I do not wish to share any parenting responsibilities with Michael because he is doing so well without me," Rowe wrote. She also indicated in court filings during the 2006 custody struggle that had not seen the children since 2005, shortly after his trial ended in acquittal on all charges and Jackson moved the children overseas.

It is unclear how often Rowe has seen the children since Jackson returned to the Los Angeles area in recent months to prepare for a 50-show concert engagement in London. It is also unclear what role the children's godfather, British child actor Mark Lester, may play in the proceedings.

Envisioning a Jackson 'We Are the World' tribute

By Chris Lee
Los Angeles Times

LOS ANGELES — The director of Michael Jackson's comeback concerts, Kenny Ortega, has said the show must go on — even if the King of Pop no longer can.

Although plans are not yet confirmed, Ortega — the choreographer and director behind hits including "Dirty Dancing," "High School Musical" and "Hannah Montana/Miley Cyrus: Best of Both Worlds Concert Tour" — is seeking to create a tribute to the singer using some of the choreography, costuming, musical staging and films Jackson engineered for his 50-date "This Is It" concert run at London's O2 Arena.

"He's so beloved in the world, somehow, perhaps we can find a way to pay tribute to his mind, talent, vision and heart," Ortega told the Los Angeles Times hours after Jackson's death. "Maybe part of what we were planning to do in London and beyond — maybe we can share some of these ideas in a different capacity."

He said he was "only imagining." But the director outlined an idea to organize a creative collaboration modeled on "We Are the World," the 1985 song written by Jackson and Lionel Richie to benefit African charities that enlisted a group of pop superstars including Stevie Wonder, Bob Dylan, Bruce Springsteen and Diana Ross.



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Michael Jackson, center, and director Kenny Ortega, left, are shown May 6 in Los Angeles during rehearsals for his comeback concerts in London.

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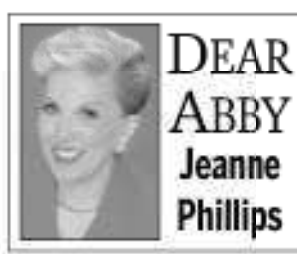
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Teenage mother wants more involvement from baby's dad

DEAR ABBY: I'm 15 and have a 6-month-old daughter who is my everything. Her father is 16, and he does drugs and drinks. He says he loves me and the baby, but given the choice, he'd rather be stoned or drunk at his friends' houses than see his daughter.



DEAR ABBY
Jeanne Phillips

I want him involved in our lives, but the only time he sees us is when I take the baby to his house. I won't allow my daughter to spend the night with him because he smokes, and so does the rest of the family. I need your help. I don't know what to do.

— **TEEN MOMMY**
IN ILLINOIS

DEAR TEEN MOMMY: It appears your baby's father is in no condition to be a parent in any sense of the word. What you're going to have to do is grow up quickly and realize that at the rate he's going, he has no future.

Teenagers who spend their time drinking and drugging can't study, can't work and can't hold a job. Whether your baby's father will even graduate from high school is questionable. That is why it is doubly important for you to apply yourself to your studies and get all the education you can — because the odds are great that you will be supporting your daughter emotionally and financially until she's an adult.

Some schools offer pro-

grams for teen mothers and dads. I urge you to reach out and find out what is available in your community.

DEAR ABBY: Now that I have retired after working long and hard to provide for three kids, life was supposed to be relaxing and enjoyable. The problem is, my relationship with my wife has become strained.

We don't seem to agree on anything. I find her annoying to be around, and she feels the same about me. This leads to arguments, and after 35 years of marriage, I confess that for the first time I don't feel the love for her that I used to. I believe she feels the same way. (At least we agree on something.)

Is this common? Is it repairable? If not, then walking the straight and narrow to reach the golden years was a fool's error.

— **OUT TO PASTURE**
IN MICHIGAN

DEAR OUT TO PASTURE: What you are describing is not at all uncommon. The good news is, it is fixable, but it will take effort on the part of both you and your wife.

IF JUNE 28 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY: For the next several weeks your life may revolve around groups or associations — and it is entirely possible to meet a lifelong friend. Your competitive nature, however, could egg you on into making troublesome business decisions during August. Wait until October to initiate business maneuvers or career changes. Next February is the best time to put crucial personal projects into motion or to make irrevocable decisions. Any opportunity or offer that comes your way at that time may be of lasting benefit.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): You may be faced with Hobson's choice this week. Like it or not, gambling with the outcome of a decision might be necessary.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): When someone raises the bar, don't limbo under it. It may be hard for you to take things seriously during the week to come.

GEMINI (May 21-June

HOROSCOPE
Jeraldine Saunders

20): Your creative ideas can be more fun than a barrel of monkeys. But others might be sticklers for a businesslike demeanor this week.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): You might hesitate to side with David in someone's overwhelming project this week. Luckily, you know what happened to Goliath.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Concentrate on promises, not premises. Partners and companions might offer highly imaginative schemes this week, but stick to the rules.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): You can improve your health this week. However, your idea of smart business practices might not impress the people in charge.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): This week, you may be tempted to reverse yourself

It might help your marriage if you went out into the community and volunteered some of your time. I'm sure a man with your energy and intellect would be welcomed with open arms. And you and your wife should join some social groups together so you can start enjoying each other again. If that doesn't bring some improvement, then please consider marriage counseling before you throw in the towel.

DEAR ABBY: Whenever I go out with my friend "Tara," she is ALWAYS 15 to 30 minutes late. Regardless of where we are going or what we'll be doing, she makes me wait.

I am a busy person. Tara does not work. She will call to let me know she'll be late, but still I have to wait. She does this with other people, too.

I am so fed up with waiting for her that I have reached the point of no longer being willing to do it. What can I do about her inconsiderate behavior?

— **ON THE DOT**
MONROE, LA.

DEAR ON THE DOT: Give your friend a sweet, but firm warning. Tell her that when you make a date with her, you expect her to be ready at the appointed time — and if she's not, you will leave without her. Then follow through.

on an issue, but know which side of your bread is buttered to stay out of a jam.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): The pendulum swings both ways, but the pit never moves. Avoid the pit during the week to come by being cautious about contracts.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Stick to the tried and true this week. Logic tells you that you can make money creatively, but this is no time to gamble.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Don't get caught up in imaginary concerns or imagine the worst this week. Guard against your own poor judgment, not that of others.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Fitful flashes of wit and style may haunt you this week. Lots of practice will develop a rhythm and style that is uniquely your own.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Don't take sides if you can scurry between the lines this week. More than one person will ask for support, but avoid commitments.

debt while still buttressing Social Security and Medicare.

Five years ago: The U.S.-led coalition transferred sovereignty to the interim Iraqi government two days ahead of schedule. The Supreme Court ruled that the war on terrorism did not give the government a "blank check" to hold a U.S. citizen and foreign-born terror suspects in legal limbo. The United States resumed direct diplomatic ties with Libya after a 24-year break.

One year ago: Presidential rivals John McCain and Barack Obama vied for the support of Hispanics in separate appearances before the National Association of Latino Elected and Appointed Officials conference in Washington, with each vowing to remake immigration policy. Jered Weaver and Jose Arredondo combined to no-hit the Los Angeles Dodgers, but the Angels won 1-0. (The Angels became the fifth team in modern major league history to win a game in which they didn't get a hit.)

Today is Sunday, June 28, the 179th day of 2009. There are 186 days left in the year.

Today's Highlights:

On June 28, 1919, the Treaty of Versailles was signed in France, ending World War I. In Independence, Mo., future president Harry S. Truman married Elizabeth Virginia Wallace.

On this date:
In 1491, England's King Henry VIII was born at Greenwich.

In 1778, the Revolutionary War Battle of Monmouth took place in New Jersey; it was from this battle that the legend of "Molly Pitcher" arose.

In 1836, the fourth president of the United States, James Madison, died in Montpelier, Va.

In 1838, Britain's Queen Victoria was crowned in Westminster Abbey.

In 1914, Archduke Franz Ferdinand of Austria and his wife, Sophie, were assassinated in Sarajevo by a Serb nationalist — the event which sparked World War I.

In 1928, New York Gov. Alfred E. Smith was nomi-

TODAY IN HISTORY

nated for president at the Democratic national convention in Houston.

In 1934, President Franklin D. Roosevelt signed into law the National Housing Act, which established the Federal Housing Administration.

In 1939, Pan American Airways began regular trans-Atlantic air service with a flight that departed New York for Marseilles, France.

In 1950, North Korean forces captured Seoul, the capital of South Korea.

In 1978, the Supreme Court ordered the University of California-Davis Medical School to admit Allan Bakke, a white man who argued he'd been a victim of reverse racial discrimination.

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PUBLISH: June 21, 27 and 28, 2009

LEGAL NOTICE

In Re: Robert D. Thurston

The matter of Robert D. Thurston came before the Idaho State Board of Accountancy on April 30, 2009. The Board took action as follows:

Robert D. Thurston's Certified Public Accountant license is hereby suspended for three (3) years from April 30, 2009. During that time, Mr. Thurston may not use the designation of Certified Public Accountant or CPA in any manner. Mr. Thurston cannot perform services that are subject to Peer Review, which include attest or compilation services, or any other service for which a CPA license is required. Mr. Thurston can no longer use the CPA designation as a basis for automatic Enrolled Agent status with the Internal Revenue Service for tax purposes.

Idaho State Board of Accountancy
Barbara R. Porter, Executive Director

PUBLISH: June 7, 14, 21 and 28, 2009

PUBLIC NOTICE

Actions planned and taken by your government are contained in public notices. They are part of your right to know and to be informed of what your government is doing. As self-government charges all citizens to be informed, this newspaper urges every citizen to read and study these notices. We advise those citizens who seek further information to exercise their right to access public records and public meetings.

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR PERMIT

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Application for Permit No. 47-17517

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Source: GROUNDWATER

Use: DOMESTIC (0.04 CFS) 01/01 To 12/31

Total Diversion: 0.04 CFS

Date Filed: 04/13/2009

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Permit will be subject to all prior water rights. For specific details regarding the application, please contact IDWR Southern Regional Office at 208-736-3033 or visit the website for the Department at

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David R. Tullihill, Jr., Director

Published in the Times News on 6/18 & 6/28/09.

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Announcements101
Lost and Found

FOUND

2 brown Dachshunds.
Turned into Twin falls Shelter.

FOUND Black cat, young, has collar. Found in East president st. area. 208-316-1715

FOUND black dog, large, around 9-10 months old. Very friendly, long black hair. Found in Deco. Behind Country Store. 654-9442.

FOUND Border Collie, black, tan & white, in Contact, NV. Call 775-755-2210

FOUND Boxer, neutered, in Filer on 6-18-09. Call 208-326-9646

FOUND Dog on Hwy 77 near Deco on June 21st. Large male, yellow color. Call 208-678-4987

FOUND Lhasa Apso, male. Call to identify: 208-420-5281

FOUND Small white dog with 1/2 brown face. Call to identify 410-0573.

FOUND Very friendly St. Bernard North of Paul. Call 208-312-4248

FOUND Young black/white cat, female, 6 toes on each paw. Found at 24th & Burton in Burley. 208-677-4373

LOST 5 month old Pomeranian Pup, brown & little black, collar brown with dots. 10th Ave E and Fillmore Jerome. If found Please call 208-316-2995



LOST Cat, disappeared, 14 yrs old, goes by "Linda". Missing since Father's Day. Lost near Morningside School and Sherry Dr. Has tri-colored collar with heart tag, has phone number on back. Call if found, hurt or other. Big reward! Family is devastated. Please check your back & front yard under hiding places & bushes. 208-733-5996 or 208-308-2996

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Lost and Found

LOST Cat, male, "Rocky", gray fish, 1 year old, lost near Canyon Rim St. on 6/16, injured flat at start, green eyes, neutered. 420-0770

LOST Female curly/chocolate brown Water Spaniel. Approx. 35 lbs. Camo collar. Lost Friday, June 19th in Milner area. Please call Jamie @ 731-2618

LOST female Yorkie. Last seen 6/24 at 4:30 pm at 1250 Conant in Burley. Light brown with black collar. Reward if found. 208-430-0872

LOST Nintendo Black DS at Burley Pizza Hut on 6/9. Please return. 208-670-1470



LOST Red Heeler named Bailey, last seen in the Kanaka Rapids area. White w/black spots. If even seen please contact 494-9873 \$Reward\$ if found.

LOST Silver Buckbag 8' pontoon between Shoshone and the Burma Rd Hwy 75. Reward. 536-2015

LOST Wirehair pointer, Lucy brown female, pink collar w/tags SW of TF. REWARD 208-404-9260

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BIRTHDAY PHOTOS

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6	8			1				
3				7	6			
				8	4	9		
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9							8	
7	5							
3	2	5						
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		6				8	2	

Answer to previous puzzle

5	6	8	4	2	1	3	9	7
7	2	4	3	5	9	1	8	6
1	9	3	8	6	7	2	4	5
6	8	1	5	9	4	7	3	2
4	7	9	2	1	3	6	5	8
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THE ACES ON BRIDGE Bobby Wolff

Dear Mr. Wolff: Several of your recent columns showed unorthodox responses to Blackwood four no-trump. For example, there was a five-spade response from a hand that held only two aces. On January 13th a five-club response was explained as showing two aces and the trump king. I am confused!

ANSWER: In response to an opening bid at any level, a jump to five no-trump is a Grand Slam Force. It asks partner to look solely at trump honors. With two he goes to the grand slam. Opinions differ as to how to handle other cases, but a simple way is to say that you don't go past six of the trump suit with one, but the more you bid, the more you have. So if diamonds are trump, six clubs would say no honors or the queen, six diamonds would promise the ace or king. If hearts were trump, the scale would be 0, 1, ace or king plus extra length.

ANSWER: These days many advanced players use Roman Key-Card Blackwood, where the trump king counts as a fifth ace. Steps are 0 or 3, 1 or 4, two without the trump queen, two with the trump queen. You can ask your partner for the trump queen after the first two responses, which have neither promised nor denied that card. These methods generally improve slam bidding — if you can remember the responses and count key-cards. Not all of us can.

Dear Mr. Wolff: What is required of a player who discovers he has revoked? Must he say something? And if he revokes again (accidentally or deliberately), what is the penalty?

Dear Mr. Wolff: I held ♠ K-7-5-2, ♥ 7, ♦ A-K-Q-J-2, ♣ 10-8-5. After one heart is bid on my right, what should I do? If I double and partner bids two clubs (my partners always seem to bid my short suits) and I then bid two diamonds, am I not showing a stronger hand — about 18 points?

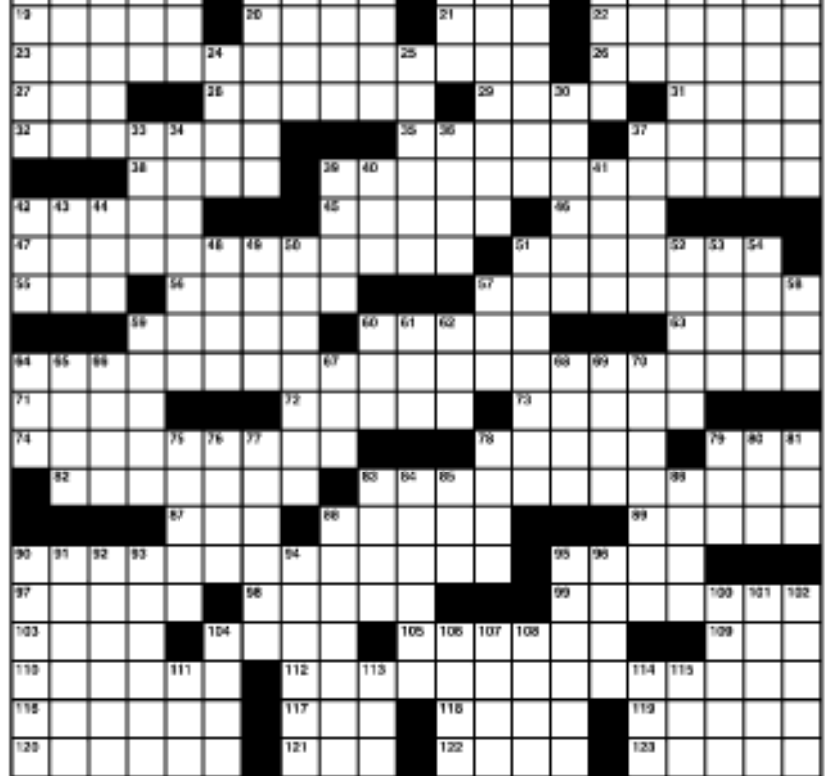
ANSWER: The laws forbid a player to deliberately conceal a first revoke by revoking again. If you discover you have a card left, you must follow suit the next time. But you are also not required to say anything if you find you have revoked. The second accidental revoke does NOT carry a new revoke penalty. The first revoke is the only one that counts for the purposes of handing out a penalty.

ANSWER: A lot depends on style. In my book you would indeed be showing real extras (which you do not have). If you bid again, I would therefore pass two clubs — partner has, after all, bid the suit. It may not be our best fit, but it should be playable. Some people play Equal Level Conversion, meaning a two-diamond call here would not show extras, but would be precisely this sort of hand.

Sunday Crossword

Edited by Rich Norris and Joyce Nichols Lewis

END OF THE ROAD By David W. Cromer



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| <p>ACROSS</p> <p>1 Wrist treatment</p> <p>2 Boat walkers</p> <p>3 Pee pill?</p> <p>4 Accelerated</p> <p>5 Caring gone bumps</p> <p>6 Came down</p> <p>7 Talk alternative</p> <p>8 1959 Stinger</p> <p>9 Device using pulleys</p> <p>10 Self-conscious question</p> <p>11 Carries of "Wayne's World"</p> <p>12 Quanta vials?</p> <p>13 Tale spinner</p> <p>14 Low light bulbs</p> <p>15 Peruvian</p> <p>16 Publisher... Bart</p> <p>17 Mag 2-Down</p> <p>18 1957 novel with the working title "The Strike"</p> <p>19 And break area</p> <p>20 Windblown soil</p> <p>21 One last</p> <p>22 Plan likely to fail</p> <p>23 Takes in</p> <p>24 Not grazer</p> <p>25 ...Lama</p> <p>26 Like some boats</p> <p>27 Film involving stage scenes</p> <p>28 Eerie</p> <p>29 Conic Johnson</p> <p>30 Dunes, facetiously</p> <p>31 Log variety</p> <p>32 Preacher et al.</p> <p>33 Awee</p> | <p>74 Pats divides to work</p> <p>75 Bustle</p> <p>76 Previously</p> <p>77 Takes umbrage at</p> <p>78 Break in</p> <p>79 Delirious</p> <p>80 Actress Diane</p> <p>81 Use next to</p> <p>82 Though not yet in title role</p> <p>83 Actor, one was adopted by the UN in 1990</p> <p>84 They're not behind you</p> <p>85 He</p> <p>86 Pa</p> <p>87 Pusher back, as a deadline</p> <p>88 Hair line</p> <p>89 Like a good loser?</p> <p>90 Fuel saving</p> <p>91 Yves's yes</p> <p>92 Actor Estelzer</p> <p>93 One who's halfway home?</p> <p>94 Evangelist's admiration</p> <p>95 Why</p> <p>96 7th grapp name</p> <p>97 Jousting pole</p> <p>98 Two-headed hammer</p> <p>99 Driver's gadget</p> <p>100 Suspensing compounds</p> <p>101 Jester's side</p> <p>102 DOWN</p> <p>103 Possible result of big losses</p> <p>104 Artifact</p> <p>105 Use heavy war?</p> <p>106 Phrase</p> <p>107 "A meal"</p> | <p>5 Matt, e.g.</p> <p>6 English Balladges</p> <p>7 Refueling places</p> <p>8 ASAP relative</p> <p>9 Ind. neighbor</p> <p>10 "No thanks"</p> <p>11 Dollar signs of planning?</p> <p>12 Bot. and only</p> <p>13 Fax</p> <p>14 Final</p> <p>15 Dredy attendee</p> <p>16 Like a hero's bed, probably</p> <p>17 Lapsed carefully</p> <p>18 Top safe content</p> <p>19 East (dir.)</p> <p>20 City size of Islamabad</p> <p>21 Holiday pressures</p> <p>22 Signaled from across the room, say</p> <p>23 Collee</p> <p>24 Big name in skin care products</p> <p>25 Ja</p> <p>26 Rocky peak</p> <p>27 Hardly well done</p> <p>28 Red Wings' ang.</p> <p>29 Want ad letters</p> <p>30 Kind of feeling</p> <p>31 Inaugural event</p> <p>32 Head for the hills</p> <p>33 Tire-kicking areas</p> <p>34 Took advantage of the ball!</p> <p>35 Secret supply</p> <p>36 Surbases</p> <p>37 Dig, probing for outer-space life</p> <p>38 Coppertan abet</p> <p>39 71-Across mo.</p> <p>40 Starts the bidding</p> | <p>60 U.S. Army E-5</p> <p>61 Funny Margaret</p> <p>62 NBA takers</p> <p>63 Norse god of war</p> <p>64 Regretful type</p> <p>65 First name among 70s retirees</p> <p>66 "... only a game"</p> <p>67 Role in the musical "The Byrds"</p> <p>68 Star, as a prep</p> <p>69 Draw</p> <p>70 Words of advice</p> <p>71 Grammy-winning New Age</p> <p>72 Big click</p> <p>73 Musical place, briefly</p> <p>74 "The Simpsons" Frank I-Mort operator</p> <p>75 Overstated</p> <p>76 CIA treasurer</p> <p>77 Ball star, maybe</p> <p>78 Patricia of "Everybody Loves Raymond"</p> <p>85 Hudson Bay a riv.</p> <p>86 An architect</p> <p>87 bases to one</p> <p>88 Fine parties</p> <p>89 Gets to the point?</p> <p>90 Painter's choice</p> <p>91 Indication of tank</p> <p>92 Hoing stater, in a way</p> <p>93 Desire</p> <p>94 Court sport</p> <p>95 Let's go</p> <p>96 Distant farewell?</p> <p>97 Blackhead</p> <p>98 Thes's (abbr.)</p> <p>99 Steggy's convenience</p> <p>100 Tasting device</p> <p>101 Where Helen was born</p> <p>102 Top-stuff</p> <p>103 Direct</p> <p>104 coffee bank</p> <p>105 Salses gay Bill</p> <p>106 High team</p> <p>107 Jazz fan</p> |
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A BIG SUNNY NO-NO

Families increasingly concerned about babies' sun safety

By Blair Koch
Times-News correspondent

With a rainstorm finally blown through Magic Valley, Tuesday's clear sky and beautiful day brought an opportunity for sisters Olivia Alvarez and Isabel Flores to take their children for a walk through historic downtown Twin Falls.

Both had baby girls tucked comfortably in strollers and other children skipping beside them. The older kids had been covered with sunscreen prior to the outing, and the infants were under canopies — safer from the sun's rays in the shade.

"I've got the sunscreen right here," Flores said, pulling a tube out of a diaper bag. "For later."

Flores said she would have put sunscreen on her 5-month-old daughter, Madison, along with her other kids but recently learned the chemicals aren't safe for her.

"I have a hat here but didn't put it on her since the canopy is over her and that should keep her safe," Flores said. "If she comes out of the stroller, the hat will go on."

The sisters would make Susie Beem proud. As comprehensive cancer program coordinator with South Central Public Health District, Beem is educating other parents to do just what Alvarez and Flores are doing to keeping their babies sun-safe.

"Studies are showing that even just a couple sunburns early in life increases the possibility of getting skin cancer later on," Beem said. "That's why we're engaged in our 'No Sun For Baby' campaign."

The program highlights the importance of sun protection for children of all ages and educates parents not to use sunscreen on babies younger than 6 months.

Sunscreen's chemical makeup impairs a baby's natural cooling response through perspiration. Proportionally, infants have more skin than adults and can have a hard time keeping cool.

Not to worry: There are many ways to keep baby sun-safe with-



Camden Gray, 6 months, shows how cool a baby can look while being sun-safe. Camden's mother, Erin Gray, is co-owner of 9 Months Later, a new all-baby store in Twin Falls where sun-protective clothing and gear is found in abundance.

Sun safety tips

Keeping babies' and kids' skin protected from sun exposure all year long is critical for lowering the chances they'll develop health problems as adults, including a deadly skin cancer called melanoma.

- **After baby** is 6 months old, apply a sunscreen with an SPF of 15 or greater, 20 minutes before going outside. Reapply every two hours or after swimming or sweating. Pay close attention to face, neck and ears.
 - **Seek shade** whenever possible.
 - **Limit time** in the sun, especially when rays are the strongest between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m.
 - **Give babies** and children plenty of water to drink on hot days.
 - **Remember** that reflective surfaces such as water, snow, concrete and glass can make rays stronger and, thus, more harmful to baby's skin.
 - **The sun's rays** are still harmful on cloudy days.
 - **Although lighter** skin is more susceptible to sun damage, dark skin is still at risk for skin cancer.
 - **Be a role** model. Kids will learn how to be sun-safe by watching mom and dad.
- Information: Susie Beem at South Central Public Health, 737-5946.

out sunscreen, Beem said.

"You should seek shade whenever possible and limit time in the sun," she said.

The sun's rays are the strongest between the hours of 10 a.m. and 4 p.m., so try to keep baby indoors

It can be difficult to make youngsters keep their hats on, but purchasing one your child will enjoy makes the task easier. A wide-brimmed SpongeBob SquarePants hat is perfect for fans of the cartoon character.



Learn to savor your baby's crawling pace

Now that our youngest member of the family — 8 months old — is deep into his first year of life, all eyes are anxious to see when he takes his first steps.

To my thought, that's a classic case of jumping the gun.



SPILT MILK
David Cooper

Walking, for lack of a better word, is purely pedestrian. Once a baby walks, he or she becomes a miniature adult, leaping anxiously toward a life filled with stress, frantic deadlines, rush hour traffic and high doses of Lipitor.

Who needs that kind of pressure? Childhood is to be relished, so soak it in — by enjoying your baby's crawl.

Watching a baby learn to crawl is far more scientific and fascinating than seeing him learn to walk. It's a methodical, yet more cerebral feat of strength. Crawling babies yearn to use the whole body — the legs, the arms, the feet, hands, belly, even eyes — as they focus on a destination ahead of them.

Crawling is an integral part of how babies gain confidence, balance and independence, but also humility and pain. Unlike other mammals of the animal kingdom, which are off and galloping within days of their birth, the human child must take a more careful and deliberate speed to getting through life.

Early childhood is the only time when crawling is an actual achievement. In later years, it just means you're hurt, intoxicated or looking for a lost item. There's no dignity in watching a grown man crawl — unless it's Sean Connery's death scene in "The Untouchables."

For the babe, crawling is an expression of identity. Some babies will sit and scoot, while others crawl backwards, forwards, or just roll back and forth.

A baby has flexibility that an adult can only dream of. Don't believe me? When was the last time you put your feet in your mouth?

If you get on the floor with your baby and just observe, you'll see the effort to crawl is almost an Olympic performance. My boy doesn't like to use his knees, so his crawl is much like a yoga instructor doing the downward dog. He does a lot of grunting, drooling, bending, rocking back and forth and shouting at the top of his lungs. Kind of a mix between Lou Ferrigno and Jack Lalanne on two cans of Red Bull.

My wife convinced me to try to duplicate his workout, and yes, it was pretty exhausting. Push-ups, back bends, cobra bends and a few other stretches that made me look ridiculous.

Meanwhile, my child had crawled a good five feet where he had eaten part of the morning paper and was spitting it up on the carpet.

Never was I prouder. But if he does this kind of thing as a teenager, we're going to have some issues.

David Cooper is a father of five kids. Contact him at dcooper@magicvalley.com.



Angelica Cordova holds her 2-month-old daughter, Cielo Cordova Velazquez, who just received a free sunbonnet through South Central Public Health District in Twin Falls. The district is educating families on sun protection with its 'No Sun For Baby' campaign.

See **SUN**, FL 3

Water toys make hot summer days more fun

By Kathleen Megan
The Hartford Courant

Little gets on a parent's nerves more on a steamy summer day than a hot, irritable child complaining of boredom.

With less money for seaside vacations or expensive camp programs this year, parents might want to invest in a few outdoor summer toys that will get their offspring off the couch or out from behind video games.

Here are some ideas ranging from the new and innovative to updates on classics. The prices are approxi-

mate. You might find them cheaper at local stores or online.

For this list, we talked to Jim Silver, editor in chief of www.TimeToPlayMag.com; Cat Schwartz, eBay gadget and toy director; and Bob Friedland, Toys "R" Us spokesman.

Oh, and inasmuch as kids enjoy these toys, Schwartz recommends Oregon Scientific Personal Ultra Violet Monitor to ensure that no one gets sunburned. You enter in the level of sunscreen lotion and skin type, and it beeps when burning is about to take place. The cost varies online, but expect to

pay about \$20.

Banzai 3-D Shark Bite

By Manley. This updated version of a slip-and-slide has a few new twists: Kids put on 3-D goggles and slide into the mouth of a great white shark. At \$39.99, it's an inexpensive way to stay cool and add excitement to a summer afternoon.

Banzai Falls Sidewinder Blast

By Manley. This is pricey, but consider this: If you were renting a cottage at the ocean, you probably would pay at least \$1,000 for one week of fun. For \$549.99,

your kids essentially get a water park in your backyard all summer, complete with a climbing wall, a water slide and two "water-blasting cannons." It stands 10 feet, 5 inches tall, holds up to 400 pounds of kids and inflates in less than three minutes.

Baby Hideaway Pool

By Sun-Smart. For the wee ones, this kiddie pool offers the best sun-screening canopy we could find. At \$14.99, it seemed like a deal.

Sky Ball

By Maui Toys. Parents and grandparents may remember the Wham-O

SuperBall. Well, the Sky Ball is filled with compressed air and helium and bounces up to 75 feet in the air. The transparent ball is the kind of toy that will amuse kids playing catch, whacking it with a bat or simply bouncing the thing (\$7.99).

Gazillion Bubbles Rocket

By Funrise. According to the toy experts at www.TimeToPlayMag.com, this rocket offers a great way for kids to enjoy bubbles that last longer and are easier to produce than traditional bubble toys. You

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SENIOR CALENDAR

Twin Falls Senior Citizen Center

530 Shoshone St. W., Twin Falls. Lunch at noon. Suggested donation: \$4.50, seniors; \$5.50, under 60; \$2.50, under 12. Center hours: 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.; lounge and pool rooms; bargain center, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Daily lunches are available for take-out from 11 a.m. to noon; seniors 59 and under, \$5.50; seniors 60 and older, \$4.50. 734-5084.

MENUS:
Monday: Fish and chips
Tuesday: Lasagna
Wednesday: Spaghetti
Thursday: Fried chicken
Friday: Meat balls
ACTIVITIES:
Monday: Quilting, 8 a.m. Bridge, 1 p.m. Tai chi, 1 p.m., \$1 Duplicate bridge, 6:30 p.m.
Tuesday: Ticket Tuesday Duplicate bridge, 12:30 p.m. Bunko, 1:30 p.m. Oil painting with Don Oman
Wednesday: Cinnamon rolls for sale, 8:30 to 11:30 a.m.; \$1.50 each; coffee and roll, \$2
 Quilting, 8 a.m. Duplicate bridge, 12:30 p.m. Tai chi, 1 p.m., \$1 Pinochle, 7 p.m.
Thursday: Pinochle, 1 p.m. Oil painting with Don Oman Bunko, 6:30, call first to confirm
Friday: Quilting, 8 a.m. Bingo at lunch Texas Hold'em, 1 p.m. Tai chi, 1 p.m., \$1

West End Senior Citizens Inc.

1010 Main St., Buhl. Lunch at noon. Suggested donation: \$4, seniors; \$5, under 60. Sunday buffet: 1 p.m.; \$5, seniors; \$6, under 60; \$4, under 12. Center hours: 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sunday; 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday, Tuesday, Thursday; 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. Wednesday.
MENUS:
Monday: Potato soup and sandwich
Tuesday: Malibu chicken
Wednesday: Chicken nuggets
Thursday: Potato bar

ACTIVITIES:
Today: Chicken dinner, 1 p.m. Few and the Faithful
Monday: SilverSneakers exercise program, 10:30 a.m.
Tuesday: Quilting, 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Bus runs for lunch pickup, call 543-4577 by 10:30 a.m. Bingo, 7 p.m.
Wednesday: SilverSneakers, 10:30 a.m.
Thursday: Quilting, 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Bus runs for lunch pickup, call 543-4577 by 10:30 a.m. Bingo, 1 to 3 p.m. Bingo, 7 p.m.
Friday: SilverSneakers, 10:30 a.m.

Filer Senior Haven

222 Main St., Filer. Lunch at noon. Suggested donation: \$4. Center hours: 8 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.
ACTIVITIES:
Monday: Bingo, 7 p.m.
Tuesday: Puzzles, 11:30 a.m. Bingo, 12:30 p.m. Cards, 1 to 4 p.m.
Wednesday: Puzzles, 11:30 a.m.
Thursday: Puzzles, 11:30 a.m. Bingo, 1 p.m.

Ageless Senior Citizens Inc.

310 Main St. N., Kimberly. Lunch and full-serve salad bar, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.; take-out; home delivery. Suggested donation: \$4, seniors; \$5, under 60; \$2.50, under 12. Center hours: 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.
MENUS:
Monday: Lasagna
Wednesday: Taco salad
Friday: Fried chicken
ACTIVITIES:
Monday: Nu-2-U Thrift Store open 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Exercise, 10:30 a.m. AA meeting, 8 p.m. Al-Anon meeting, 8 p.m.
Tuesday: Bingo, 7 p.m.; everyone over 18 welcome
Wednesday: Nu-2-U open 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Exercise, 10:30 a.m.
Thursday: NA meeting, 7 p.m.
Friday: Nu-2-U open 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Exercise, 10:30 a.m. Gem State Fiddlers, 11:30 a.m. Bingo, 11:50 a.m.

Pinochle, 1 p.m.

Gooding County Senior Citizen Center

308 Senior Ave., Gooding. Lunch at noon. Suggested donation: \$3.50 for seniors. Center hours: 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.
MENUS:
Monday: Chicken strips
Tuesday: Sweet-and-sour pork
Wednesday: Taco bar
Thursday: Roast turkey
ACTIVITIES:
Monday: Pinochle, 12:30 p.m. Wild one, 6 p.m.
Tuesday: Pool, 9:30 a.m. Hand and foot, 6 p.m.
Thursday: Quilt social, 9 a.m. Pinochle, 7 p.m.
Friday: Bridge and duplicate bridge, 1 p.m.
Saturday: Breakfast, 7:30 to 10 a.m.

Wendell Senior Meal Site

105 W. Ave. A. Lunch served at noon Mondays. Hours, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Hagerman Valley Senior and Community Center

140 E. Lake, Hagerman. Lunch at noon. Suggested donation: \$4, seniors; \$5, under 60; \$2, under 12. Center hours: 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.; thrift shop, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.; free high-speed Internet.
MENUS:
Monday: Roast beef
Wednesday: Ham casserole
Friday: Soup and salad bar
ACTIVITIES:
Saturday: Barbecue, \$5, time TBA

Jerome Senior Center

212 First Ave. E., Jerome. Lunch at noon. Suggested donation: \$3.50, seniors; \$5, non-seniors. Center hours: 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Free transportation to and from center Wednesdays through Fridays, call center for information at 324-5642.
MENUS:
Monday: Biscuits and gravy
Tuesday: Polish sausage

Wednesday: Hash brown casserole
Thursday: Barbecue riblets
Friday: Salisbury loaf
ACTIVITIES:
Monday: SilverSneakers exercise, 10:30 a.m. Bridge, 12:30 p.m.
Tuesday: SilverSneakers exercise, 10:15 a.m. Pinochle, 1 p.m. Snack bar, 6 p.m. Bingo, 7 p.m.; early bird, 6:45 p.m.
Wednesday: SilverSneakers, 10:30 a.m. Bridge, 12:30 p.m. Dick and John Threads of Time, 1 to 4 p.m. Pinochle, 7 p.m.
Thursday: SilverSneakers exercise, 10:15 a.m.
Friday: SilverSneakers, 10:30 a.m. Fiddlers, 12:30 p.m. Pinochle, 1 p.m.

Silver and Gold Senior Center

210 E. Wilson, Eden. Lunch at noon. Suggested donation: \$3.50, seniors; \$5, non-seniors. Center hours: 7 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday; 8 a.m. to noon Monday, Wednesday and Friday.
MENUS:
Tuesday: Ham
Thursday: Sloppy Joe
ACTIVITIES:
Wednesday: Bingo, 7 p.m.

Richfield Senior Center

130 S. Main, Richfield. Lunch at noon. Suggested donation: \$3.50, seniors; \$5.50, under 60.
MENUS:
Monday: Fried chicken
Thursday: Ham sandwiches

Golden Years Senior Citizens Inc.

218 N. Rail St. W., Shoshone. Lunch at noon. Suggested donation: \$3.50, seniors; \$5.50, under 60. Center hours: 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday; 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday.
MENUS:
Tuesday: Chicken bites
Wednesday: BLT
Friday: Macaroni and cheese

with ham
ACTIVITIES:
Monday: Exercise, 9 a.m. Coffee, 9:30 a.m. Quilting, 10:30 a.m.
Tuesday: Pinochle, 1 p.m. Bingo
Wednesday: Black Out Bingo, 12:30 p.m.
Friday: Pinochle, 1 p.m. Bingo
Saturday: Raffle at the community picnic for the Fourth of July quilt

Camas County Senior Center

127 Willow Ave. W., Fairfield. Lunch at noon. Suggested donation: \$3, seniors; \$4, under 60; \$2, under 10. Quilting, pool, table games, puzzles, TV, videos. Center hours: 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.
ACTIVITIES:
Thursday: Art class, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Blaine County Senior Center

721 Third Ave. S., Hailey. Lunch at noon. Suggested donation: \$3, seniors; \$5, non-seniors. Center hours: 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday through Friday.
MENUS:
Tuesday: Turkey pot pie
Wednesday: Spaghetti
Friday: Parmesan chicken
ACTIVITIES:
Monday: Salad and soup bar, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Tai chi, 7 a.m. Fit and Fall-proof, 10 a.m.
Tuesday: Walking Club, 9 a.m. Blood pressure, 11:15 a.m. Bingo, 1 p.m.
Wednesday: Fit and Fall-proof, 10 a.m. Yoga, 5:30 p.m.
Thursday: Table tennis, 9 a.m. Walking Club, 9 a.m.
Friday: Tai chi, 7 a.m. Table tennis, 9 a.m. Fit and Fall-proof, 10 a.m.

Minidoka County Senior Citizens Center

702 11th St., Rupert. Lunch at noon. Suggested donation: \$5, seniors; \$6, non-seniors; \$3, under 12;

\$4.50, home delivery. Gift shop: 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Center hours: 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

ACTIVITIES:
Monday: Pinochle, 1 to 4 p.m. Pool, 1 p.m.
Tuesday: Pool, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Walking, 9 a.m.
Wednesday: Pool, 1 p.m. Pinochle, 1 to 4 p.m.
Thursday: Pool, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Walking, 9 a.m. SHIBA and Medicare assistance, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.; call George Schwindeman at 436-9107 or Kitty Andrews at 677-4872 for appointments
Friday: Pool, 1 p.m. Pinochle, 1 to 4 p.m. Bingo, 7 p.m.

Golden Heritage Senior Center

2421 Overland Ave., Burley. Lunch at noon. Suggested donation: \$4.50, seniors and children under 12; \$6, non-seniors. Center hours: 8:30 a.m. to 2 p.m.
MENUS:

Monday: Tuna casserole
Tuesday: Pastrami sandwich
Wednesday: Parmesan chicken
Thursday: Hot turkey sandwich
Friday: Taco salad

ACTIVITIES:
Monday: Pool Pinochle, 1 p.m. Exercise
Tuesday: Pool Wood carving, 8:30 a.m. Radio show, 9:06 a.m. Exercise
 Community bingo, 7 p.m.
Wednesday: Pool Pinochle, 1 p.m. Exercise
Thursday: Pool Exercise Movie, 9:30 a.m. Community pinochle, 6 p.m. Woodcarving, 6 p.m.
Friday: Pool Exercise Pinochle, 1 p.m. Bingo, 1 p.m.

Carey Senior Center

Main Street. Lunch at noon. Suggested donation: \$3, seniors; \$5, non-seniors.
MENU:
Thursday: Finger steaks

STORK REPORT

St. Luke's Magic Valley Medical Center

Stefean Alfonso Tello, son of Anabel Romero and Alfonso Tello Marin of Gooding, was born May 25, 2009.
Madisyn Kaelynn Joi Ritter, daughter of Angela Mae Wilder of Twin Falls, was born June 8, 2009.
Israel Torres, son of Joselyne Rivera Lopez and Javier Torres Estrada of Buhl, was born June 9, 2009.
Jimmy Tyler Murphy, son of Jacqueline Lee and James Richard Murphy of Hazelton, was born June 10, 2009.
William Michael Edwards, son of Crystal Ann and Hugh Jacob Edwards of Twin Falls, was born June 15, 2009.
Jayde Alliah Fisher, daughter of Danielle Rae Long and Joshua Richard Fisher of Twin Falls, was born June 15, 2009.
Isaiah Santiago Aguilar, son of Sentia Denis Ruelas and Adrian Aguilar of Wendell, was born June 16, 2009.
Maryam Jahili, daughter of Bitu Ebadeh Ahwazi and Aryan Jahili of Twin Falls, was born June 16, 2009.
Natalia Belen Murillo, daughter of Alicia and Jose Alberto Murillo of Buhl, was born June 16, 2009.
Kendra Elizabeth Fuchs, daughter of Kristen Elizabeth and Nathan Lee Fuchs of Richfield, was born June 17, 2009.
MaKatie Lyn Rigby, daughter of Kristen and Mathew Odell Rigby of Gooding, was born June 17, 2009.
Sage Rose Tubbs, daughter of Heather Anne and Lincoln W. Tubbs of Twin Falls, was born June 17, 2009.
Rhylea Tucker Gilbert, daughter of Amanda Rose Gilbert of Twin Falls, was born June 18, 2009.
DeAngelo Michael Sai Rios, son of Connie Mika and Danny Rios of Twin Falls, was born June 18, 2009.
Tanner Dustin Veenstra, son of Alisa Lorraine and Peter Goedhart Veenstra of Twin Falls, was born June 20, 2009.

Smallest health questions get complicated when parents divorce

By Theola Labbe-DeBose
 The Washington Post

Sean Smith knows his two children, ages 5 and 7, eat balanced meals. Still, he wanted to make sure they got all the right nutrients. So when the Rockville, Md., resident heard about special kids' vitamins, chewable like Gummi Bears, he wanted his children to take them. Their mom disagreed. Carolyn Rutsch also knows the kids eat healthy. So, she said, why would they need vitamins? A typical difference of views, one of many small disagreements in parenting. But Smith and Rutsch are divorcing, and nothing about raising their children is as simple as it used to be. Decisions about children's health, the small, everyday choices intrinsic to child-rearing, take on an added complexity when parents are split up. Experts say that with legal questions of child custody focused on safety, visitation schedules and child support, how to handle health care for children without serious medical problems often becomes a lower priority on the long list of issues to settle — if it comes up at all. Along with such minor issues as taking vitamins or not, there are larger questions: Will co-pay costs be shared? Should doctor's appointments be at a time that works for both parents, or go by the schedule of the parent who's with the child the majority of the time? The answers depend on several factors, experts say, including the kinds of custody and financial arrangements that have been reached, either informally or through a court order. The divorce decree may spell out which parent will carry the insurance and how medical bills are to be split. For divorced parents, as well as for parents who never mar-

ried, states such as Oregon require parenting plans that can be as detailed as how often a child is supposed to brush his teeth. No matter what health-care arrangement may exist on paper, the biggest contributing factor to successful coordination between separated parents is the quality of their co-parenting relationship, said Brette McWhorter Sember, a former divorce lawyer and mediator who has written several books on divorce and co-parenting. "In general, I've found that when parents are fighting over health decisions, it is generally indicative of some other underlying conflict," McWhorter Sember said. Courtney Blair, an allergist based in suburban Virginia, said the importance of coordination between households is seen in what happens when it fails. Children with serious asthma arrive sick in her office on a Monday because the medication schedule wasn't precisely followed during a weekend visit with the other parent. In one instance, she recalled, a child with a peanut allergy had a reaction because the parent in charge that weekend allowed the child to eat a cookie from a gift shop without checking the ingredient list. When that happens, a heated blame game ensues, she said. "When there's one parent that's not on the ball and not as vigilant, it's something that drives a wedge through even the most stable couple," Blair said. "If the parents aren't together and one parent isn't being as vigilant, the anxiety for the other parent goes through the roof." There are also such issues as insurance plans that allow for just one asthma inhaler at a time, she said, which means that the device must go between houses. If it's

clear that parents aren't getting along, Blair said, she sometimes gives extra samples for the other parent's house, or she tries to talk to the child about making sure he or she takes the proper dose. "But that gets tricky, because you're putting a lot of responsibility on a child." In cases where parents don't communicate about appointments, access to medical records can be one way to stay up-to-date. Kaiser Permanente has an electronic medical records program that allows authorized users to access a child's medical records online, including a summary of doctor visits, a complete overview of what happened and any needed follow-up. "The opportunity for a parent to access information 24-7 ... in many ways that personalization and convenience is what parents are seeking in a divorce situation," said Robert Pearl, president and chief executive of Kaiser Permanente's Mid-Atlantic Permanente Medical Group, who advocates for greater use of online health records. Jacqueline Fletcher, a writer in Minnesota, heard heartbreaking anecdotes while talking to hundreds of stepmothers across the country for her book "A Career Girl's Guide to Becoming a Stepmom." There were stories about parents clashing over the cost of braces, health-care reimbursements and copays. "It shouldn't come down to wrestling over \$10 for a co-pay visit, but in so many families, it becomes a fight over that because many parents focus on money as a way to displace what the real issue is," said Fletcher, who is a stepmom. "It's a way that the parent can still be angry but not really honest about how they're feeling." California psychotherapist Jann Blackstone-Ford

TIPS FROM ONE COUPLE TO OTHERS

Martyn Noss and Ghina Siddiqui have split custody of their teenage son. In the years since their divorce, the Maryland parents have managed their son's health in a way that they say is cooperative, organized and free of animosity. While every family situation is different, we asked them to pass along some tips to parents navigating health-care decisions after a breakup:
• Communicate. "You may not be together anymore, but when you have children you're partners in parenthood. You need to make that partnership work." — Noss
• Lighten up. "Attitude is more important than logistics. You have to be coming from a positive place; otherwise, nothing else is going to go right." — Noss
• Get organized. "I came up with the idea of keeping a ledger on Google Docs, and it works great. We each upload

information and then we are both looking at the same thing. We can even write notes to each other and have discussions." — Siddiqui
• Be patient. "While we were divorcing, I wanted our son to take fish oil supplements, and I wanted him to have them while he was at his dad's house. It took a long time for Marty to incorporate that, and now they cook more fish and get the vitamins directly. In that way they're ahead of me. In hindsight I realized that introducing a change when you're in the middle of divorcing can be a hard thing to do." — Siddiqui
• Remember the goal: a healthy, happy child. "Trust between co-parents is essential. We respect each other. When it comes to mutual decision-making, in health care and everything else, getting to agreement is a kind of prize. Keep your eyes on that prize." — Noss and Siddiqui

said that with more parents sharing custody, they are forced to coordinate nearly every aspect of their child's upbringing. If the parents are still angry or have poor communication, dealing with health issues in a split-custody arrangement can mean they are constantly looking for ways to one-up the other. "What happens is, information is power," Blackstone-Ford said. "You get one parent bringing them to one doctor and another parent bringing them to another doctor because they don't trust the other parent's judgment." No medical detail between separated parents is too small, said Blackstone-Ford, who initially clashed with her husband's ex-wife; the two women later became friends and founded a non-profit, Bonus Families, to help others. "It doesn't matter which parent goes to the

appointment with the child, but they should volunteer as much information as possible. ... When you keep the information and use it as a weapon, that's when you're failing as a parent," she said. For Smith and Rutsch, the couple who disagreed on their children's taking vitamins, they worked toward a compromise. Smith was concerned that their 5-year-old daughter was getting a lot of colds. He had read about the benefits of additional Vitamin D and thought their daughter could use an extra boost. "I figured it wouldn't hurt," Smith said. Meanwhile, Rutsch relied on the pediatrician, who never mentioned supplements. "I didn't have a strong negative reaction, but I didn't have a big positive reaction. I said, 'If you want that to be your thing, then you buy them,'" said Rutsch.

Poll: Half of Americans consider pets family

By Megan K. Scott
Associated Press writer

NEW YORK — Susan Jacobs and her companion Kingston both like chicken and collards, chilling on the couch and riding in her convertible with the breeze tussling his curly black hair.

Kingston, it should be said, is a black poodle. But for Jacobs, 45, of Long Beach, Calif., he is like a child.

"The next time I travel, I'll probably take him with me," said Jacobs, a Mary Kay consultant and freelance writer. "I'm just used to him being around."

An Associated Press-Petside.com poll released Tuesday found that half of all American pet owners consider their pets as much a part of the family as any other person in the household; another 36 percent said their pet is part of the family but not a full member.

And that means pets often get the human touch: Most pet owners cop to feeding animals human food, nearly half give the animals human names and nearly a third let them sleep in a human bed. While just 19 percent had bought an outfit for a pet, 43 percent felt their pet had its own "sense of style."

Nathan Nommensen, 19, a college student who lives with his parents in Winthrop Harbor, Ill., said their golden retriever Molly sleeps in his parents' room, goes with them on camping trips and appears in their annual family Christmas photo.

He doesn't consider her a full member of the family, though. "She's part of the family but not a human part of the family," he said.

Singles were more likely to say a pet was a full member of the family than married people — 66 percent of single women versus 46 percent of married women, for example. And men were less likely to call their pet a full member of the household.

For some single women, pets become surrogate children, said Kristen Nelson, a veterinarian in Scottsdale, Ariz. She said men are also attached to pets — but are less likely to admit it because it's not seen as masculine.

Debbie Jablonski, 50, of Wilmington, N.C., talks about her cats like a mom talks about her children.

Milkshake, who sleeps at the foot of her bed, sticks his cold nose on her eyelid and touches his paw to her face at 4:30 a.m. to wake her up



AP photo

Susan Jacobs, cosmetics consultant and freelance journalist, and Kingston, her 4-year-old poodle mix, share a moment at what Jacobs describes as Kingston's 'condo within a condo' at her home in Long Beach, Calif.

and feed him. The other cat, Licorice, sleeps on the couch and has a habit of sitting on her newspaper when she is trying to read it.

"If you try to budge her, she will not move," said Jablonski, laughing. "You will have to practically pick her up and move her."

Jablonski, who works for a laboratory equipment manufacturer, celebrates the cats' birthdays, includes photos of the cats in holiday cards and watches home movies of them playing.

Most pet owners don't go that far, according to the survey. Only a little over a quarter celebrate their pet's

birthday or the day it came to live with them and just a third have included a pet's photo or name in a holiday card.

Still, 42 percent of pet owners have taken a pet on vacation, with dogs more likely to accompany the family than cats. Dog owners were also more likely to take their pets to work (21 percent) or somewhere the animal wasn't allowed (18 percent).

When it comes to feedings, nearly half of all dog owners and 40 percent of cat owners admit giving their pets human food at least sometimes.

HALF OF PET OWNERS GIVE PETS HUMAN NAMES

By Megan K. Scott
Associated Press writer

NEW YORK — So much for Rover and Fido.

Almost half of American pet owners gave an animal a human-like name, such as Jack or Sophie, according to an Associated Press-Petside.com poll of more than 1,000 pet owners released Tuesday.

Some of the more unusual names: Hollywood and Chichi Mittens, both cats; Vegas the Labrador Retriever; Jibber Jack the dog; the Beagle named Talulublu, and Louis XIV, the Yorkie.

In all, 49 percent of respondents, including 51 percent of dog owners and 50 percent of cat owners, had given at least one of their pets a human-like name.

The most popular? Max got more mentions than other names in the AP Poll, but not enough to give it any broad claim of popularity (less than 2 percent of all mentions). One database of pet names, maintained by Veterinary Pet Insurance, also finds that Max pops up more frequently than any other name.

There has been a move away from classic dog names such as Spot and Lassie, according to VPI spokesman Curtis Steinhoff. There were 13 Fidos in VPI's database in 2008, placing the name at No. 2,866. Rover was No. 2,534, behind names like Grendel, Ginger Snap and Munchie.

Steinhoff said the trend reflects a stronger bond between people and their pets.

Pet owners who give their pets human names are more likely to see them as full members of the family, said Wayne Eldridge, veterinarian and author of "The Best Pet Name Book Ever!"

But he cautions against reading too much into pet names. Many people choose names based on the animal's appearance, he said. One of the most unusual names in the VPI database was Snag L. Tooth for a cat with a "snaggle tooth" that protrudes.

Tips for kids flying as unaccompanied minors

By Beth J. Harpaz
Associated Press writer

NEW YORK — The incidents involving two girls traveling as unaccompanied minors who ended up on the wrong planes may have parents worried about safe trips for kids traveling alone.

The U.S. Department of Transportation has an online guide called "When Kids Fly Alone" at <http://airconsumer.dot.gov/publications/KidsAlone.pdf>. Here is some advice from that booklet, along with other tips to make sure your child arrives without mishap.

- **Check airline policies** on age. According to the U.S. Department of Transportation, airlines generally do not allow kids under 5 to fly alone. Most airlines also require children to be 8 before they can be booked on an itinerary with a connecting flight. Airline policies vary on when kids age out of unaccompanied-minor status. On some airlines, it's age 12; on others, it's age 15. Airline fees for unaccompanied minors can run \$100 each way.

- **Book nonstop** when possible so you don't have to worry about changing planes and missed connections. If you can't book a nonstop, the DOT says the next-best options are direct flights that may stop but will not require changing planes, or, if necessary, connecting flights on the same airline.

- **Book flights** that depart early in the day. They are less likely to be cancelled or

delayed than later flights, the DOT points out. Also, if your child must take a connecting flight, the earlier in the day the first flight lands, the more opportunities there will be to rebook if the connection is missed. Airlines do not like to take unaccompanied minors on an itinerary that includes the last flight of the day, because if the child misses that connection, there will be no one to take custody of the child for the night.

- **Do what you can** to get your child on the right flight. The DOT says many airlines will offer gate passes for unticketed parents; ask for one and escort your child through security to the gate. Ask that your child be allowed to preboard. Give your child a card or badge that clearly shows flight number and destination, and make sure he or she can state the name of the destination. Most airlines announce the destination before takeoff. Tell your child to listen for the announcement and ask for help if he or she is worried about being on the wrong plane.

- **Try to arrange** cell phone communication options. Give the child a cell phone preprogrammed with your number and the number of the person doing pick-up. You'll have to provide the airline with the name of the adult meeting the child, and that person should try to be reachable by cell throughout the day in case you, the child or the airline needs to get in touch.

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the district is giving away more than 600 wide-brimmed hats for infants under 6 months and passing out sunscreen to parents with older children. The items are given to parents, like Flores, participating in the district's Women, Infants and Children program.

"Some parents do know the risks of sun exposure, and others aren't aware of the need to keep baby sun-free," said WIC clinical assistant Ofelia Escobedo. "We hope this campaign helps spread the message."

In the private sector, the sun-free message has been gaining ground and parents are seeking protection that is both useful and fashionable.

Erin Gray, co-owner of the Twin Falls all-baby store 9 Months Later, said wide-brimmed hats and other sun-protection gear are hot sellers this season.

As part of an outdoorsy family and a new mother herself, Gray understands the concern. "We're outside a lot in the summer and this entire area is full of recreational people ... when we go outdoors the children come along."

She said parents are



Photos by BLAIR KOCH/For the Times-News

Twin Falls 6-month-old Camden Gray models a thin-brimmed knit hat that's both functional and adorable. At 9 Months Later in Twin Falls, the hat sells for less than \$10 and is available in many colors; buy a variety to match all of baby's clothes and moods.

becoming more aware about the need to protect baby from the rays. Companies are gearing items to those informed parents: sun-resistant clothing, take-along canopies and sun-



Five-month-old Madison Flores is snug as a bug and safe from the sun's rays in her stroller as the canopy provides shade on a walk with her mom, sister Mariah Flores and aunt Angelica Alvarez, pictured in back. Madison's mom, Isabel Flores, recently learned sunscreen isn't safe for use on infants but carries a small tube for use on her other children.

Gray said, "so when they're older it will be second nature to put on the sunscreen."

Meanwhile, her son Camden Gray looks darn cute in wide-brimmed hats — an accessory his mom says will be worn even though he's old enough to be lathered in sunscreen.

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Toys

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pour bubble solution into the tray of the launch pad and position the rocket on the launcher. Then you stomp on a pad, and the rocket shoots into the air, leaving a trail of bubbles behind it (\$16.99).

ESPN Better Batter Baseball Trainer

By Fisher Price. A tee-free batting trainer teaches kids to watch the ball. With sound effects, baseball "chatter" and ESPN music. The trainer's height is adjustable (\$45, ages 3 and older).

Fun Flow Play Sink

By Step 2. Great for children under age 6 if they like

to play with water. It has a big sink with water that rotates through (\$49.99)

Backyard Bash Ultimate Art Set

By Crayola. Kids love writing on pavement with chalk, but this set encourages even more creativity. It includes a pair of 3D glasses that really make sidewalk designs pop. Also included are sidewalk paints. Both chalk and paints spray away with water (\$19.99, ages 4 and older).

Super Spiral Sprinkler

By Little Tykes. For those who don't want to deal with filling a pool, a sprinkler is an easy and cooling alternative.

This sprinkler adds the fun of a spiral that shoots balls upward on a powerful jet stream (\$19.99).

Super Soaker Quick Blast

By Hasbro. What would summer be without a Super Soaker? This model has the

hydro-powered performance of a Super Soaker Blaster without all the pumping. All you do is slide back the handle and unleash a blast of water on your opponent. Works up to 30 feet away (\$14.99, ages 5 and older).

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Question: When is the next Don Aslett Seminar? I hear he comes to Twin Falls periodically and puts on great seminars. I missed the last one unfortunately, but was hoping to catch him the next time he comes to town.

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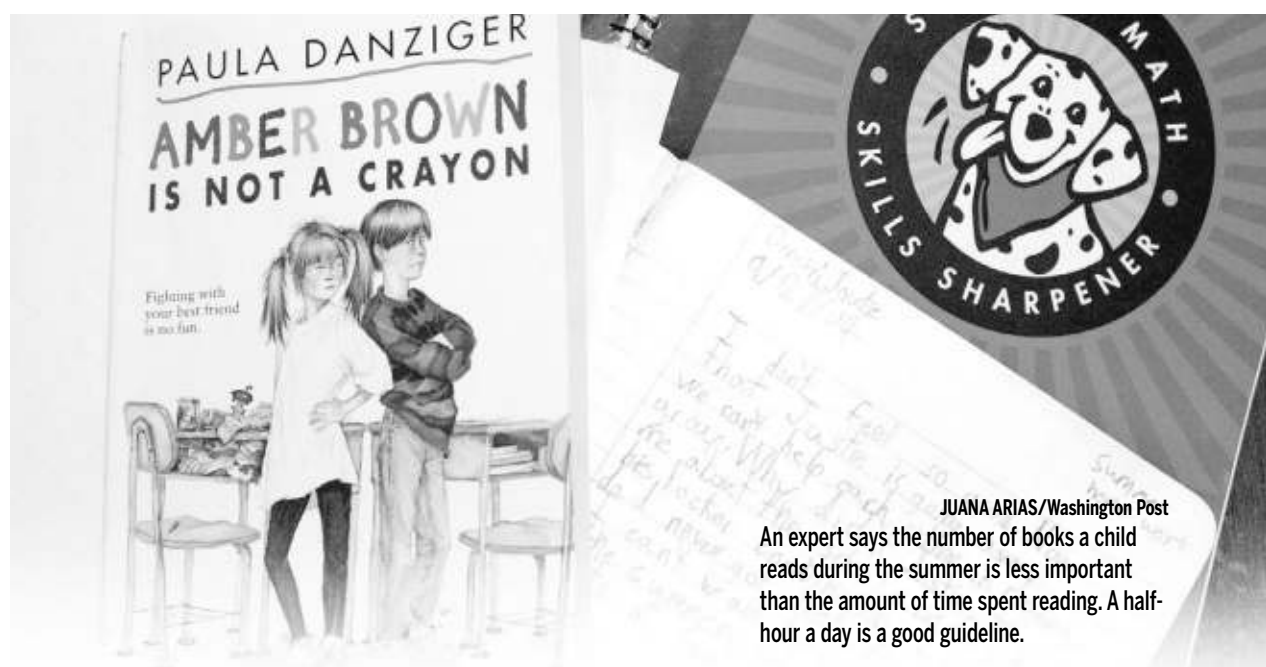
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An expert says the number of books a child reads during the summer is less important than the amount of time spent reading. A half-hour a day is a good guideline.

Active summer, active minds

Educators seek ways to prevent learning losses during vacation

By Valerie Strauss
The Washington Post

It's called "the summer brain drain" because during those long, hot months away from school, kids supposedly forget a lot of what they had learned in class.

Research, however, tells a more nuanced story: Some learning is lost among some groups, and others gain.

Here's what experts from Johns Hopkins University, the University of Tennessee, the University of Virginia and elsewhere say happens over the summer:

- **Most students** — regardless of family income or background — lose 2 to 2 1/2 months of the math computational skills that they learned during the school year.

- **Students from** low-income homes lose two to three months in reading skills learned in the previous school year.

- **Middle-class** students make slight gains in reading achievement as measured on standardized tests.

Those findings suggest the obvious: that children lose math ability when they don't use it and that middle-class students read more than those from poor families because they have more books at home.

It might seem as if students who lose two months of math skills need two months more to catch up. But educators say it's not that simple.

When it comes to reading, experts say, some kids make progress not only because they read more.

"Life experiences other than reading can lead to advantages in reading comprehension," said Daniel T. Willingham, a professor of psychology at U-Va. who is an expert in cognition and the application of cognitive principles to K-12 education.

"If you don't have a reading problem or a problem with decoding ... your ability to read a passage is dependent on having some relevant background

BEAT SUMMER BRAIN DRAIN

Make the most of your child's time off

- **Locate a high-quality camp or program.** There are programs in almost every price range offered by schools, recreation centers, universities and community-based organizations. Look for balanced programming with daily opportunities for reading, math, cultural enrichment and recreation; a safe, structured learning environment; and low student-staff ratios.

- **Visit the library.** Find subjects that interest your child and make time to read every day.

- **Take educational and fun trips** to parks, museums, zoos and nature centers.

- **Keep a schedule.** Maintaining structure and limits helps kids stay engaged.

- **Prepare for fall.** Talk to teachers about the best way for students to get ready for the next grade.

- **Practice math daily** with exercises that are fun, such as tracking daily temperatures and cooking.

- **Play outside,** which helps limit television and video time and helps physical fitness.

SOURCE: National Center for Summer Learning at Johns Hopkins University (www.summerlearning.org)

Experts' tips: Help others, explore, write

Writer Valerie Strauss asked educators how kids can avoid summer learning loss.

Jill Biden
Adjunct professor at Northern Virginia Community College

knowledge," he said.

Such knowledge is related to the wide variety of summer experiences for many middle-class and affluent kids — in camp, on vacation, in their own homes. The lack of resources for poor children in the summer has big consequences, experts say.

"If we can eliminate the summer gap, we can close the longstanding achievement gap between richer and poorer kids," said Richard Allington, a professor of education at the University of

(and vice-presidential spouse)

As an English teacher, I always recommend reading as a great way to engage your mind and your imagination. Another way to stay active is through service — it's amazing how much you can learn by helping a neighbor or volunteering in your community.

Michelle A. Rhee
D.C. schools chancellor

As a mother and a school administrator, I believe parents should do their best to strike the right balance between academic enrichment and summer vacation. While some families have the means, whether financial or otherwise, to offer their children a variety of activities, it is important to remember that summer school is not the only option for summer learning.

Parents have done everything from (offering) students incentives for reading a certain number of child-selected books; extended hiking trips with hands-on learning about fish and wildlife; summer internships in high school; science, basketball and soccer camps; (and) children's games counting fish in a creek, learning to distinguish salamanders from crayfish. The best ideas all had something to teach — because children are curious, and child's play is the most meaningful gateway to learning that we have.

Mark Lewis
Reading teacher, John Eaton Elementary School in the District of Columbia

In my experience, the area that suffers the most from summer inactivity is writing.

Writing is a lot like exercise; the more you do it, the easier it is to do. Conversely, many children come back to school in the fall completely out of writing shape, and it often

Tennessee and past president of the International Reading Association. "Basically, even poor kids grow reading skills at about the same rate as middle-class kids, when they are in school," he said. "Two-thirds of the achievement gap occurs during the summers, not during the school year."

Schools, libraries and non-profit organizations also tend to place more emphasis on summer reading than on mathematics, which explains in part why kids across the

takes up to a month to get their writing level up to where it was in June. My prescription for helping your child maintain their writing ability throughout the summer is to carve out a daily 20-minute family writing period where everyone in the house has to write. Everyone has their own journal and complete control over what they are writing: poetry, prose, lyrics — anything goes. The key is that everyone has to be writing and that nothing your child writes will be corrected.

What to read?

Many experts say kids should be allowed to read pretty much whatever they want in summer. So parents should bag the list of books they want children to read, according to Richard Allington, an expert on reading at the University of Tennessee. That means the four-volume "Twilight Saga" by Stephenie Meyer or other popular books could supplant a Newbery Award winner.

More on reading from Allington: **How much?**

The number of books children should read is less important than the time. A half-hour of reading a day is a good general guideline.

What to read? Not just books. Magazines, graphic novels and comic books work. "There is no evidence that the genre of books makes much difference," Allington said.

How to choose? Adults rarely pick books kids want to read. (In a study of books that librarians selected for awards and books that children selected as best books over a 30-year period, the overlap was only 4 percent.) So take the kids to a library or bookstore and let them pick.

socioeconomic spectrum lose ground in math over the summer, said Ron Fairchild, executive director of the Center for Summer Learning at Johns Hopkins.

Another factor in the loss of math skills is thought to be the nature of the subject: Facts and knowledge based on specific procedures are easier to forget than concepts. But Willingham said it is also true that the nature of human memory means that students can re-learn relatively quickly.

Here comes the pooch?

Pets at weddings: Why not?

By Linda Lombardi
For The Associated Press

Kaycee English considers her dog Bowser part of the family, so including him in her wedding was an obvious choice.

Hadn't she spent the year before her special day scouring Petfinder.com, wishing she could adopt a dog? Hadn't her husband, John, taken the lead on talking their landlord into allowing a pet?

"I really wanted everyone that I loved there that day," said English, who lives in Freehold, N.J., and dressed Bowser in a tuxedo T-shirt for ringbearer duty.

The idea of dogs walking down the aisle or sitting for wedding photos may be strange — even repulsive — to some, but a little planning can make things run smoothly and bring families closer together.

Stephanie Baker of Bowling Green, Ky., said she and her husband, Steven, adopted their blind dog Tucker when his story on Petfinder "tugged at our heartstrings." They rarely leave home without him and felt strongly about including him in their wedding.

She made one wedding photo a tribute to her mother, who has cancer. Baker posed in the same position with Tucker as Mom did with her own dog at her wedding 35 years ago.

"If it's something that's important to you, do it," Baker said. "If you have strong feelings about wanting to include someone, you'll regret not doing it."

Finding a venue that allows dogs may not be as big a deal as you might expect. Jessica Sempek of Skokie, Ill., said she was the first to ask her chosen location if dogs were allowed and the reaction was, "Why not?" Sempek and her husband, Scott Stewart, had a young nephew walk their dogs Lady Bug and Emmie down the aisle.

"He took his job so seriously," Sempek said.

Once you have your location, be prepared to answer questions about the details, like how long you expect the animals to be there, and many sites will accommodate, said Wendi Hroncich, a wedding planner in Seattle.

"Most venues generally want the bride and groom

"After the fact, people look at the photos and say, 'How cute is this one,' and it's always the one with the dog."

— Kaycee English

to have anything they want," she said.

The experienced brides are loaded with pet planning tips:

- **Designate** someone to be responsible for a dog during the ceremony and to transport the pet there and back. The human should be someone who's not involved in the proceedings. If it's a child's role to walk the animal down the aisle, an adult should supervise before and after.

- **Don't forget** to schedule a dog's trip to the groomer. "They went to the spa just like I did," Sempek said.

- **If you're boarding** your dog after the ceremony, check timing. Julie Hall of Silver Spring, Md., said finding a kennel for her pooch Maddy with late enough drop-off hours was difficult.

- **Bring treats** to help persuade the dog to participate in the photo shoot and make sure it can sit and stay on command. Before her wedding, Hall took her pet to obedience classes.

Most couples don't bring their pets to the reception — it's too long and overwhelming — but being part of the ceremony really isn't a challenge for most dogs, Hroncich said. "All they have to do is go down the aisle and then sit."

Sempek found that the only unexpected behavior at her wedding was little 9-pound Emmie's reaction to the music. "She wanted to pick a fight with the cello," she said. "That was the only time they barked all day."

In the end, all the couples thought the effort was more than worth it — and reluctant relatives came around.

"After the fact," English said, "people look at the photos and say, 'How cute is this one,' and it's always the one with the dog."



AP photo

Kaycee and John English of Cranford, N.J., give a kiss to Bowser, their 1-year-old rescued Australian shepherd.

What's with all the mama drama in kindergarten?

By Angie Wagner
For The Associated Press

The parents were chatting about what the kids should wear for "match your friends day" when one mother mentioned that she didn't think some of the other moms would want their daughters dressing like hers.

She didn't think they liked her daughter who is 5.

It seems crazy, but my daughter's kindergarten class is already beset with mama drama, mostly from the

mothers of girls.

It's giving me flashbacks to junior high school, when I worried about getting into an argument with my friends and not having someone to sit with at lunch.

Only this time the mean girls are quite a bit older — it's the moms who are cliquish and make rude comments about children. I've overheard one mom critiquing another child's handwriting.

"What happens is they don't realize their behavior," said Michele Borba, parent-

ing expert and author of the upcoming book "The Big Book of Parenting Solutions," due out this fall. "Everything their kids do becomes hyper-competitive. Unfortunately, it only escalates as the competitions get tougher."

As my child heads into elementary school, Borba predicted the mama drama will only get worse.

Barbara Stevens, a Henderson, Nev., mom of a 15-year-old girl and a 6-year-old boy, has found that moms are critical of just about any-

thing — art projects, who got the best teacher gift, who did the best class party.

"It's always that group of moms. Most of the time it's indirect (drama). The competition is always there," she said.

And gossipy moms make for gossipy kids.

Borba said the clique mentality is already present by third grade. (It's our club and you can't join.) Inevitably, a parent's behavior will trickle down to the child.

The good news, Stevens said, is that by high school

she doesn't see the parents as much at school. But by that age, the teenagers have taken over the gossip.

"When people are gossipy about kids, I just try to ignore it," Stevens said.

That's what I have been trying to do as well, but sometimes it's hard not to be a bit surprised by the comments. One mom whispered that she would gladly pay the tuition for a child to switch schools. I think it was a joke, but I'm not sure.

"You've got two options —

are you going to step up to the plate and become one of them or be the integrity model?" Borba said.

She said moms need to seek out other like-minded moms. And don't be afraid to speak up and say something like: "You know, I feel uncomfortable talking about other people's kids."

So if this is kindergarten drama, what's in store for us in a few years? Thankfully my daughter hasn't picked up on any of this.

Yet.

Interior designer Lynn Cobb gave her home in Norfolk, Va., an extensive makeover after buying it from her parents. Cobb says her parents, who have since died, embraced the changes after getting used to them.



AP photo/LYNN COBB

CAN YOU GO HOME AGAIN?

Some try in childhood homes

By Jennifer Peltz
Associated Press writer

NEW YORK — One thing about Mary Beth Renaud's new place: It instantly felt like home. Right down to the bug-and-butterfly wallpaper she had never really liked in her childhood bedroom.

She and her husband, Robert, felt good about buying her parents' home in Carthage, N.Y., when her parents retired to a town nearby. Her siblings were pleased the house was staying in the family, and the property offered an expansive yard and pool. But the Renauds, both artists, had their own designs on the 1930s-era home — ideas sometimes jarring to her parents.

"Every time we did something to the house, it was like, 'Wow, that looks nice — but it was fine the way it was,'" she chuckles.

Welcome to the crossroads of design and emotion, where people who take over their childhood homes can spend years. Make yourself at home. If you can.

People who inherit a house can find themselves blindsided by memories and unable to part with their parents' things. Those who buy the family home face the balancing act of putting their stamp on it without alienating Mom and Dad.

After veteran designer Lynn Cobb and her late husband bought and renovated her parents' home in Norfolk, Va., her mother demanded to know the identity of "that ugly woman hanging over the fireplace." Her mother had never said a word about the painting — a copy of an Old Master portrait — when it hung in Cobb's former house.

There are no definitive statistics on the number of people who end up in their childhood homes. For some, it's a good deal or a way to honor parents' attachment to the home. Others simply feel the pull of the place where they grew up and sense "an opportunity to reconnect and sort of find oneself," says Clemson University sociology professor James McDonell.

That opportunity came — with high ceilings and hardwood floors — for Robert M. Stenhouse in 2001. After retiring early from his technology sales job, he spent the next few years renovating and reflecting in his nearly century-old childhood home in Greenville, S.C., having bought out his siblings after their parents' death. By turns he reconstituted plaster and wrote "Taste the Red Clay," a 2003 novel about a man who plumbs his family history while fixing up his old family place.

"It was kind of a catharsis, in a way, in working through

the house and the past," says Stenhouse, who preserved such features as claw-footed bathtubs while expanding bathrooms and building a backyard deck. "A lot of memories come up."

They do for RJ Breeden, too. Eight years after moving into his childhood home in San Clemente, Calif., he still occasionally catches a whiff of his late father's aftershave.

The restaurateur has thoroughly updated the 1965 house, from replacing windows to adding a roof deck that affords a view of the Pacific Ocean. He selectively kept evocative objects — his late mother's glasses and plates in her favorite red, for instance, but not her red carpet.

"I transformed the house from being my parents' house to being my house," says Breeden, who also bought out his siblings. But, he laughs, "I still do burnouts all the way down the street."

Some people who inherit childhood homes struggle to sift through furniture and their sentiments about it.

Erika Goldman and her architect husband, Charles Giraudet, have reinvented much of the Brooklyn brownstone where she grew up. The changes have been both sweeping — the couple uses some rooms differently than did her late parents, who rented out some of them — and painstaking, like the paint removal that unmasked stenciled friezes from the 1840 house's early years.

Still there is some of her parents' Danish modern furniture, mingling with the



AP photo/ROBERT M. STENHOUSE

Robert M. Stenhouse spent a few years renovating the nearly century-old home where he grew up in Greenville, S.C., after his parents' death. He preserved such features as claw-footed bathtubs while expanding and updating bathrooms, building a backyard deck and making other changes. He says the process elicited "a lot of memories," and ultimately prompted him to write "Taste the Red Clay," a 2003 novel about a man who explores his family history while restoring his childhood home.

couple's own stuff. Goldman feels some rooms are overcrowded but can't bear to exile her parents' pieces, contenting herself with giving them a new context.

"On the one hand, I wanted to be free of ghosts ... but on the other hand, it's hard to let go," the publishing executive said.

Putting family possessions in storage can be a start in parsing mixed feelings, says Lancaster, Pa.-based designer Sharon Hanby-Robie.

If parents can be consulted about renovations, should they be? After all, no one who's paying a mortgage wants to feel like a teenager asking for the keys to Dad's car.

Designers do advise some effort to make parents feel that their taste and stewardship are respected: arranging a portrait or walkthrough video of the home before changes are made, or keeping a few things they prize.

Such mementoes lend a space "personality ... and

you maintain that legacy," says designer Kerrie Kelly, who lives with her sister in their late grandmother's former condominium in Sacramento, Calif. Before their grandmother died, the sisters renovated extensively but highlighted her ukulele collection and other curios they came to appreciate through her reminiscences.

Back in Carthage, about 80 miles northeast of Syracuse, Mary Beth Renaud has altered both her house and her parents' perspective.

They gasped, yes, when she painted the cherry-wood kitchen cabinets a creamy yellow to harmonize with Venetian plaster that had replaced dark paneling. But they eventually embraced the new look there and elsewhere, said Renaud, who works at an advertising firm.

The ultimate proof: When she ditched an old cast-iron bathtub for a Jacuzzi model, "my mother said to my father, 'How come we didn't do that when we lived there?'"

ENGAGEMENTS

Sagers-Harris

Joe and Sherre Sagers of Burley are pleased to announce the upcoming marriage of their daughter, Liza, to Riley Harris. Riley is the son of Tim and Peggy Harris, also of Burley.

Liza and Riley are both 2006 graduates of Burley High School. Liza attended school at Brigham Young University-Idaho and the College of Southern Idaho. Riley served a two year LDS mission in the Adelaide Australia Mission and also attended the College of Southern Idaho.

Parish-Rowe

Randy and Lisa Parish of Burley announce the engagement of their daughter, Hilary Dawn Parish, to Zachary Dugan Rowe, son of Dan and Michaelene Rowe of Rupert.

Hilary is a 2004 graduate of Burley High School and is completing her pre-requisites for pharmacy school at Salt Lake Community College. She works part-time as an administrative assistant at Sylvan Learning Center.

Zack is a 2004 graduate of Minico High School and has attended Musician's Institute in Los Angeles. He is a department manager at Guitar Center and

Buhler-Greene

Terry and Sue Greene of Twin Falls announce the engagement of their son, Travis Michael Greene, to Jill Margrit Buhler. Jill is the daughter of Fred and Elaine Buhler of Yonkers, New York.

Jill received her bachelors degree from The University of Rochester, and her masters degree from Johnson State College in Johnson, Vermont. She is currently employed at Idaho Center for Autism.

Travis is a 1999 graduate of Twin Falls High School, and served in the United States Marine Corps, com-



Liza Sagers and Riley Harris

The wedding is planned for July 3rd at the Twin Falls LDS Temple. A reception will be held that evening at the Sagers' residence in Burley from 7-9. The couple will be residing in Nampa.



Zachary Rowe and Hilary Parish

is co-owner of a sound and lighting business. The couple will reside in Salt Lake City.

Hilary and Zack have planned an evening garden wedding at the Rowe residence, 426 South 135 Lane East, Rupert, Idaho. Dinner and reception will follow.



Jill Buhler and Travis Greene

pleting 3 tours in Iraq. Travis is currently attending Boise State University and will graduate with a degree in political science/secondary education.

The wedding is planned for July 18th in Boise.

ANNIVERSARIES

The Shropshires

Willard and Shirley Shropshire, Jerome, celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary on Sunday, June 14, with a reception at their home.

Willard and Shirley Easton were married June 14, 1949, in Jerome. They have resided in Jerome for the past 60 years. Willard farmed

in Jerome and worked for the Jerome County Weed Department. Shirley worked for Hamilton Drug and R & R Pharmacy.

They have two children, Karen (Vern) Phillips of Boise and Dale (Carol) Shropshire of Jerome, four grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

The Bartletts

Max and Lorraine Bartlett will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary on June 30, 2009 at an open house at the LDS church at 2680 Elizabeth Blvd. in Twin Falls.

Max and Lorraine were married August 27, 1959 in the Idaho Falls LDS temple. Except for a few years, they have spent most of their lives in the Twin Falls area. They have worked in various businesses around the valley.

Their children are Greg (Barb), Scott (Tammy) and Shelley of Twin Falls and Jeff (Susan) of Mesa, Arizona. The couple has 10 grandchildren who are the joy of their lives: Jessica, Brogan,



Lorraine and Max Bartlett

Samantha, Brock, Brylee, Zachary, Joshua, Brynli, Seth and Brekyn.

Friends and family are invited to come and share memories and refreshments.

The Moncurs

Richard and Cleone were married on June 18, 1959 in Salt Lake City, Utah.

Richard was born in Rupert, and Cleone was born in Declo. They both wanted to stay where they had roots. She taught school for 32 years — 30 of them at Burley Junior High School where she taught speech, drama, reading and conflict resolution. He taught at Declo Elementary School for 34 years and spent 17 summers teaching at the migrant school.

Since retirement, The Moncurs have stayed busy with their catering business, "Let's Go Dutch." Both have been active in their church and in community activities.

Richard and Cleone were



Cleone & Richard Moncur

bleamed with four daughters — Louise Mecham, Marlea Preston, Cherise Gentry, and Monet' Thomander. They have 12 grandchildren.

The couple will be honored by their family (It is a surprise!)

Sunday, June 28, 2009
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The Stumps



Lillian and Sherman Stump, Jr.

Sherman Henry Stump, Jr., and Lillian Shupe Stump of Glens Ferry will be celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary with family and friends on Sunday June 28th, 2009.

Sherman and Lillian were married June 27th, 1959, in Boise, Idaho. They have lived in several parts of Idaho, finally making Glens Ferry their home. They have resided in Glens Ferry for the past 40 years.

The couple has ten children: Sandy (Monte)



John and Arlene Thompson

Orton of Meridian, Patrick Stump (deceased), Sue Ellis (Skip Vetten) of Meridian, Linda (Tracy) Hansen of Parma, Russell (Kim) Stump of Meridian, Sheryle (Les) Warner of Nampa, Dale (Molly) Stump of Boise, Chuck (Sandy) Stump of Glens Ferry, Kristine (Joe) Messick of Shoshone, and Clayton Stump of Boise.

They have been further blessed with eleven grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

The Thompsons

John and Arlene Thompson of Twin Falls will be celebrating their 60th wedding anniversary on July 11, 2009. Friends and relatives are invited to attend an open house in their honor on July 11, 2009, from 7:30-9:00pm, at the Twin Falls LDS Church on 680 Hankins Rd. N.

John Thompson and Arlene Radmall were married on July 12, 1949, in the Idaho Falls Temple.

They started out their life in Burley, Idaho, but eventually moved to Twin Falls where they have resided for over 50 years.

John Thompson worked for Idaho Power. Arlene Thompson was a stay-at-home mom of 5 children.

They served an 18 month mission in Montreal, Canada, in 1992. They are very active in their positions through the LDS Church.



John and Arlene Thompson

John has also been very active with the Boy Scouts and has received his Silver Beaver Award.

The event is hosted by their children: David Thompson (Verena) of Pocatello, Idaho; Joyce Woodland (Dave) of Sacramento, California; Kay Carrier (Jim) of Southbend, Indiana; Darla Warren (Lloyd) of Meridian, Idaho; and Linda Kunz (McKay) of Seattle, Washington.

The couple has 20 grandchildren and 15 great-grandchildren.

To submit engagement, wedding and anniversary announcements, contact Janet Cranney at 735-3253, or e-mail her at announcements@magicvalley.com.

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By Margaret Webb Pressler
The Washington Post

What makes a good book? A lot of people say it's a good story, especially one that makes you want to turn the page. That's why people sometimes call a book they like a "page turner."

But page turners don't have to be fiction. Some of the most amazing stories ever written are based on real-life events. Part of what makes reading a great nonfiction book so entertaining is just knowing, as you read, that this really happened. Truth really can be stranger than fiction!

So this year, for the first time, we've chosen all nonfiction books for our Summer

Book Club. But that doesn't mean you won't find wonderful characters, great emotion, incredible stories and unbelievable events. You'll find all of those things and more.

Because these books are about real events or real science, each week we're also including a suggestion for an activity you can do or a place you can go to learn more about the subject in the book. What better way to make a book come alive than to experience it, at least for a little while?

Our list covers a wide range of books, so there is something to appeal to any kind of reader with any kind of interest. Whether you're an animal lover, a history enthusiast, a lover of science, an environmentalist or a budding politician, there's a book on this list for you. And the activities we'll suggest range from a personal adventure to a family outing. So get ready to read amazing stories and learn incredible facts. You just might agree that nonfiction books can be the biggest page turners of all.

Each week during the summer, we'll review the featured book, many of which are available at public libraries. We start with "Marley: A Dog Like No Other," by John Grogan. The others are:

"Recycle This Book: 100 Top Children's Book Authors Tell You How to Go Green," edited by Dan Gutman (ages 9-13)

"The Daring Nellie Bly: America's Star Reporter," by Bonnie Christensen (ages 6-9)

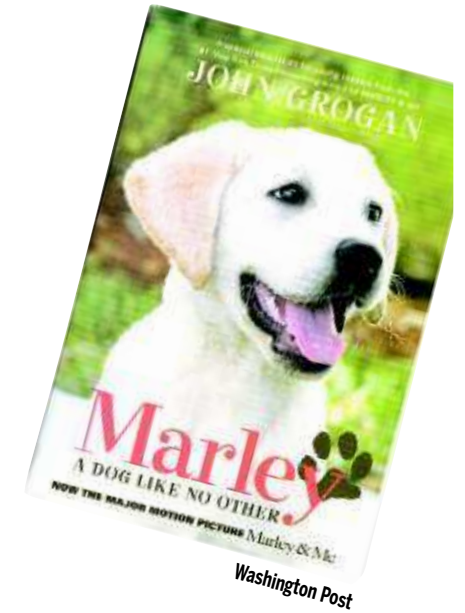
"Moon Landing: Apollo 11 40th Anniversary Pop-Up," by Richard Platt and David Hawcock (age 6 and older)

"Chew on This: Everything You Don't Want to Know About Fast Food," by Eric Schlosser and Charles Wilson (ages 9-13)

"Dear President Obama: Letters of Hope From Children Across America," edited by Bruce Kluger and David Tabatsky (age 6 and older)

"Body Science: The Head-to-Toe Guide to the Science in You," by James Cracknell (age 6 and older)

"Harriet Tubman, Secret Agent: How Daring Slaves and Free Blacks Spied for the Union During the Civil War," by Thomas B. Allen (ages 9-13)



Book club begins with a fetching tale of love

By Tracy Grant
The Washington Post

"Marley: A Dog Like No Other," by John Grogan, for ages 8 and older. 196 pages, with photographs.

The story of Marley, the lovable, laughable Labrador retriever, started as a series of columns in a newspaper. It then became a best-selling book for adults called "Marley and Me," followed by a movie of the same name. Now, that dog-owning newspaper columnist, John Grogan, has created a kids version of his family's life with "man's best friend."

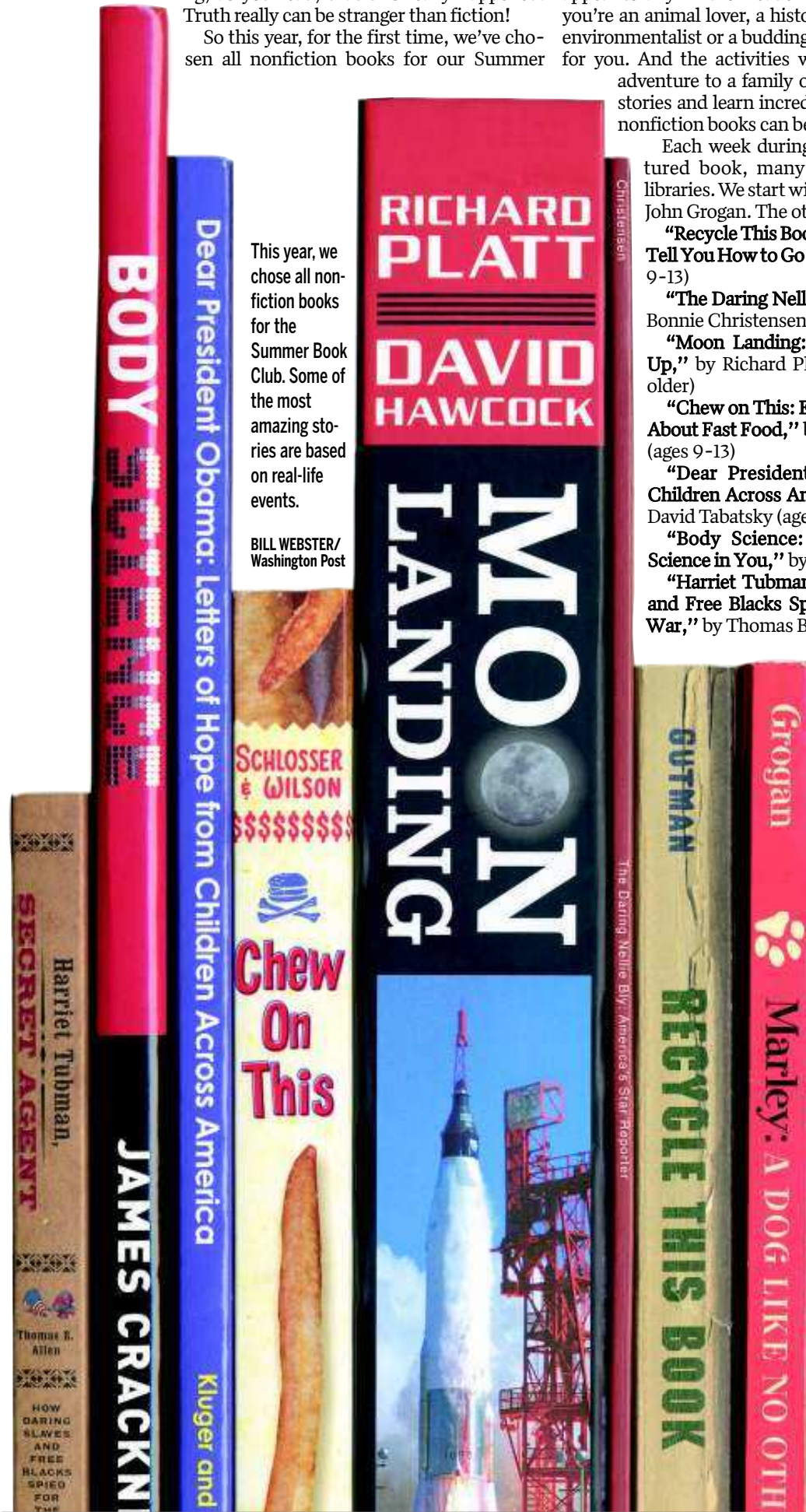
It is the perfect book to start off our non-fiction summer book club because it proves that real stories can be as funny, exciting, adventurous and, yes, sad as any work of fiction.

"Marley" is a biography, a book that tells about a life. Usually that's the life of a person, but not always. "Marley" is a special type of biography called a memoir, which is written by someone close to the subject of the book.

The story of Marley is really one of unconditional love: the kind of slobbering, messy love that an incredibly loyal dog shares with his family and the love that the family gives back.

Unconditional love is hard. Marley's family loved him even as he tore apart sofas, howled at thunderstorms and ate precious jewelry. But as Grogan writes toward the end of the book, "Sometimes it takes a dog with stinky breath and bad manners to help us see what really counts in life."

You'll laugh at Marley's antics. Maybe some of them will remind you of your own pet. There might be parts of this story that make you want to cry. But that's OK, because as Grogan writes, "When you have love, most of the other pieces fall into place."



This year, we chose all non-fiction books for the Summer Book Club. Some of the most amazing stories are based on real-life events.

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"Extreme Animals: The Toughest Creatures on Earth" (by Nicola Davies, ages 8-12) looks at the amazing ways animals adapt to their environment. One example is sea otters, which are protected from the cold ocean by dense fur that has nearly a million hairs per square inch.

Read about it, then do it!

Reading "Marley" or "Extreme Animals" is a great way to get interested in animals. Older kids, typically at least age 12 or 13, usually can become volunteers at local animal shelters if they team with a parent. But you can also offer to walk a neighborhood dog that might not get outside that much.

Remember, summer is a great time to start a pet-sitting business; we bet lots of your neighbors are going on vacation and will need someone to care for their animals.

Ever wondered if squirrels can fly?

By Stephen Lowman
The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — Do you plan on seeing "Ice Age: Dawn of the Dinosaurs" when it opens next month? It's the third "Ice Age" movie, and it has a new character who is a flying squirrel named Scratte. But do flying squirrels actually exist?

Yes, and you don't even have to travel to another continent or exotic island to see them. Lots of them live in the woods in North America.

Before we tell you where you can spot them, you should know that the "flying" part of flying squirrel is not quite correct. It would be more accurate to call them gliding squirrels. Unlike birds, flying squirrels do not have wings. Instead they have a loose flap of skin, called the patagium, that runs from the wrist to the ankle on both sides of their body. When they leap from a tree they spread their legs, stretching the patagium. This allows the squirrel to catch the air like a hang glider. By loosening and tightening the skin flaps the squirrel can change direction in the air.

How far can they glide? We spoke with Tina Stachura, a park naturalist at the Brookside Nature Center in Wheaton, Md., to find out. She said the general rule is that for every vertical foot up they are they can glide three feet horizontally. Think about it this way: If a flying squirrel is 100 feet up in a tree it can jump off and glide 300 feet. That's about the length of a football field!

There are 43 species of flying squirrels.

Flying squirrels are smaller than gray squirrels. They also have larger eyes because, unlike gray squirrels, flying squirrels are nocturnal. That means they come out from their nests and tree holes mostly at night. The larger eyes help them see in the dark, and they have much to watch out for. Birds, foxes, raccoons and house cats all would like to eat them for dinner!

Stachura says one of the most interesting things about flying squirrels is that they can be carnivorous. In addition to eating the usual nuts and seeds, female flying squirrels sometimes eat small birds and bird eggs to gain protein when they are nursing their young.



With peanut butter in its mouth, a flying squirrel goes airborne at Long Branch Nature Center in Arlington, Va. It would be more accurate to call these nocturnal animals gliding squirrels.

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