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“My business and this community have been through a lot in the last year. I’ll be damned if I will go through all that and have the FDIC shut me down.”

— Sarah Hedrick, owner of Iconoclast Books in Ketchum —



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Sarah Hedrick poses in her Ketchum bookstore, Iconoclast Books. Hedrick’s business is one of several with an uncertain future following FDIC seizure of First Bank of Idaho.

## FEDERAL BANK CRACKDOWN THREATENS DOZENS OF BLAINE CO. BUSINESSES

By Joshua Palmer  
Times-News writer

KETCHUM — In a tiny office tucked behind the shelves and a small cafe at Iconoclast Books, Sarah Hedrick is fighting to save her business from the most powerful banking regulatory agency in the United States.

Surrounded by leather-bound classic literature and family photos, she has been searching for a new bank that will extend her a line of credit. That financial lifeline is the only thing

that could stop the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation from seizing her nationally known bookstore.

She’s not alone. By some estimates, as many as 100 Wood River Valley businesses are in danger of being taken over and liquidated. Hedrick, like most business owners interviewed, isn’t about to give up without a fight.

“My business and this community have been through a lot in the last year,” Hedrick said. “I’ll be damned if I will go through all that and have the FDIC shut me down.”



Cars pass in front of the former First Bank of Idaho building in Ketchum. The thrift was seized by the Office of Thrift Supervision and the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation in April.

STORY CONTINUES ON MAIN 6

## A MAGIC FOURTH



RYAN HOWE/Times-News

Swaye Cutler-Lynch rides on the D.L. Evans Bank float during Rupert’s 83rd annual Fourth of July Celebration parade on Saturday. This elaborately decorated float, which included other youngsters dressed as Uncle Sam and the Statue of Liberty, kept with this year’s theme, ‘Only in America,’ and was awarded Grand Prize. Hundreds of people crowded the parade route, which wrapped around Rupert Square where food vendors and local entertainers helped energize the holiday celebrations. Find more coverage of Rupert, Twin Falls and Buhl’s holiday celebrations on Main 3-4.

## County officials say attorney costs is money well spent

By Nate Poppino  
Times-News writer

Twin Falls County officials say taxpayers easily got their money’s worth out of attorneys the county hired to handle a complicated dispute with St. Luke’s Magic Valley Medical Center.

In late 2005, county commissioners and Prosecutor Grant Loebs hired Duane Morris LLP of Philadelphia to help negotiate the sale of the then-county-owned hospital the following year. The hire was a quiet one; commissioners last year were unable to produce any record or notice of meetings about it, much less an official vote.

See COSTS, Main 2

### BY THE NUMBERS:

- \$352,304**  
The total amount Philadelphia law firm Duane Morris LLP has been paid since the end of 2005 for work related to the 2006 sale of then-Magic Valley Regional Medical Center.
- \$110,909**  
Amount paid by Twin Falls County; St. Luke’s Health System covered costs prior to the sale.
- \$17,277**  
Twin Falls attorney Laird Stone’s bill to the county since June 2008, when he was hired to help with a dispute over the sale agreement.
- \$89,438**  
Duane Morris’ largest bill in a single month: February 2006.
- \$30,603**  
Total billing for Stone and two Duane Morris attorneys for January, including a mediation session in Twin Falls.
- \$1,600,000**  
Amount St. Luke’s Magic Valley paid the county last month, in addition to \$3 million previously agreed, to settle the dispute.



James Johnson of Blooming Grove, N.Y., poses in a period military uniform at a Revolutionary War grave site in Fishkill, N.Y., June 9.

AP photo

## NY growth besieges graves of Revolutionary patriots

By Chris Carola  
Associated Press writer

FISHKILL, N.Y. — Ed Spaeth was researching his family tree when he discovered an 18th-century ancestor likely was buried in the woods just down the hill from his Hudson Valley home.

Although he can’t pinpoint Francois Martin-Pelland’s grave, historical evidence has led Spaeth

to the nearby grove believed to be the final resting place of hundreds of other Revolutionary War soldiers posted here when Fishkill was the main supply source for Gen. George Washington’s northern army.

Today, commercial development has whittled the wooded parcel down to about 12 acres hemmed in

See GRAVES, Main 2



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# MORNING BRIEFING

## Pat's Picks

Three things to do today

Pat Marcantonio



• Enjoy horse races at 1 p.m. at Minidoka County Fairgrounds, 80 E. Baseline Road in Rupert, with quarter horses, Appaloosas, paints and thoroughbreds. Not to mention, my particular favorites — parimutuel betting and food. Admission is \$2 for 12 and older.

• Twin Falls Senior Citizens Center holds a dance, featuring music by Melody Masters, from 2 to 5 p.m. at the center, 530 Shoshone St. W. Admission is \$4 per person.

• Or see the Company of Fools presentation of the musical "110 in the Shade" at 2 p.m. It's Educator Night at Liberty Theatre, 110 N. Main St., Hailey. Tickets are \$10 for currently employed educators and school administrators. Limit two per person.

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

## TODAY'S HAPPENINGS

### ARTS AND ENTERTAINMENT

**Twin Falls Senior Citizens Center dance**, with music by the Melody Masters, 2 to 5 p.m., \$4 per person; and **Singles-Friendship-Dance**, with single families welcome from 6 to 8 p.m. and singles only from 8 to 11 p.m., Twin Falls Senior Citizens Center, 530 Shoshone St. W., \$4 per person, (children under age 16 must be accompanied by adult), non-alcoholic beverages welcome, no tobacco, 734-5084.

**Educator night for musical "110 in the Shade"** by N. Richard Nash, Tom Jones and Harvey Schmidt, presented by Company of Fools, 2 p.m., Liberty Theatre, 110 N. Main St., Hailey, tickets: \$10 (limit two for currently employed educators and school administrators), 578-9122.

**Music from Stanley concert series**, features James Dean Kindel and the East Oregon Playboys with Thomas Paul, 4 to 8 p.m., Redfish Lake Lodge, Stanley, no cost, 208-484-9117 or musicfromstanley@gmail.com.

**Jazz in the Park**, features John Northrop and the Jazz Rangers, playing jazz guitar with a bossa nova feel, 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.

### BENEFITS AND FUNDRAISERS

**Outdoor concert**, performance by storyteller and songwriter Eric Herman, hosted by Make-A-Wish Foundation Idaho Chapter, to benefit two local children (Kolby of Twin Falls and Claire of Ketchum) with life-threatening medical conditions, 3 to 4:30 p.m., Rotary Park, Ketchum, \$10 for adults, \$5 for children and \$20 for families, kbsunvalley@gmail.com or 721-0528.

### CHURCH EVENTS

**Life Church of the Magic Valley in Jerome healing service**, open to the general public and anyone who needs to be healed, 5 p.m. pre-service prayer with service at 6 p.m. (public may attend both services), Life Church, 425 E. Nez Perce (100 South), Jerome, lifechurchmv.com or 208-324-5876.

**Gospel Celebration**, with evangelist Steve Cody from Oklahoma, accompanied by musician Jeff Gore, 7 p.m., Valley Baptist Church, corner of Spring and State streets, Hagerman, 837-6472 or 837-4194.

### FESTIVALS AND FAIRS

**The 3rd annual Community Freedom Celebration, "Celebrating America's Unique Heritage"** continues with community ice-cream social, free ice cream bars (Idaho Dairymen's Association); ice cream by other vendors and beverages available for purchase, 6 p.m.; and music by praise and worship bands, 6:30 p.m., Jerome City Park, free admission, 420-8372.

### HOBBIES AND CRAFTS

**Fourth of July Antique Show**, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., nexStage Theatre, 120 S. Main St., free admission, 720-5547.

**Ketchum Art and Antique Show**, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., Forest Service Park, First Street and Washington Avenue, free admission, 303-570-9763.

### OUTDOOR/SPORTS

**Eighth annual Silver Bit Fourth of July Team Roping**, includes prizes and dog and foot races, 9 a.m., U2 Arena, off of U.S. Highway 93 in Rogerson, 940-0433 or 940-1507.

**Horse Races**, with quarter horses, Appaloosas, paints and thoroughbreds, 1 to 5 p.m., Minidoka County Fairgrounds, 80 E. Baseline Road, Rupert, \$2 for age 12 and older, pari-mutuel betting, www.minicassiacchamber.com.

### TODAY'S DEADLINES

**Registration reminder for July 6-10 College of Southern Idaho Theater Camp** for students ages 12 to 18; classes include makeup, lighting, scene shop, acting, developing a character and scene work, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., CSI Fine Arts Center, \$150 (bring a lunch), 732-6288 or cbarigar@csi.edu. to register.

**Reminder for July 10-12 Snake River Bros 4th annual Motorcycle Rally in the Valley**, with live music, food and commercial vendors, gambler's run, motorcycle rodeo, raffles, tent sites and nightly bonfire, Murtough Lake Park, \$20 per person (no cost for children age 10 and under), all proceeds go to help families with children in need, www.snakeriverbrossi.org or 208-404-6020.

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

## PHOTOGRAPHIC MEMORY



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A view of the Great Shoshone and Twin Falls Water Power Company office at it looked in 1912 at the corner of Main Street North and (now) Gooding Street West in downtown Twin Falls. The company was started in 1907 by H.L. Hollister and I.B. Perrine. It was the third power company the pair had started; the previous two went bankrupt. From 1908 to 1914, the power company was contracted by the city of Twin Falls to operate and maintain the street lamps, in addition to providing electricity for downtown. In 1916, the company was sold and eventually became the property of Idaho Power Company.

## Costs

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As disagreements developed over the sale agreement — primarily about provisions relating to a downtown clinic that was being converted for county offices — officials turned again to the Philadelphia firm to represent them. Local attorney Laird Stone was later also hired to represent the county in June 2008.

The county and hospital settled the dispute about a month ago. Final bills for the legal work show the lawyers were paid nearly \$370,000, though only \$127,000 of that was paid by the county. Under terms of the sale agreement, county legal costs leading up to the sale were paid by St. Luke's.

The county's \$127,000 cost to challenge contract provisions related to remodeling the old clinic was a good deal, Loeb said Thursday. In settling the issue, the hospital paid the county \$1.6 million more

than previously agreed.

Loeb said his attorneys, who represent the county in other civil matters, lack the expertise in health and business law the out-of-state attorneys provided. The Philadelphia firm, coordinating with Stone, helped keep the county out of costly, drawn-out litigation that could have cost as much as \$5 million, he said.

"To do anything else would have been to surrender," Loeb said.

Invoices obtained under the state public records law shed some light on what may have occurred had talks fallen through. Earlier this year, Stone wrote up a summons for evicting St. Luke's from the county-owned facility.

County Commissioner Terry Kramer said the eviction paperwork was related to contractual timelines for turning over some space to the county.

Last year, the county also paid \$5,600 to Tracy

Communications, a public relations and marketing firm in Boise, to develop media statements, brochures and other materials intended to counter St. Luke's public-relations efforts, Loeb said. The material was never used.

Loeb described the eviction and public relations preparations as contingency plans. "It's the kind of things responsible attorneys go over with clients and get them prepared for," he said.

Hospital officials declined to say how much St. Luke's has paid its own attorneys to handle the matter since the date of the sale.

The general public learned of the clinic disagreement in January 2008, when county officials changed the locks on four offices in the building and the hospital called police on then-Commissioner Chairman Tom Mikesell in response.

The incident led to a

rocky few months for both groups — Mikesell butted heads with some members of the hospital board on which he served, while hospital officials held an invitation-only luncheon to argue their side before community leaders.

Relations are now much more civil. Both entities have described their mediation sessions as cordial and professional.

And on Thursday, Kramer and Commission Chairman George Urie said they hope any major concerns about the agreement have been resolved, and that any future disputes should be easier to solve.

"The bottom line is we need to cooperate," Kramer said. "They're the primary health-care provider and we need to cooperate with them."

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## Graves

Continued from Main 1

by roads, a shopping mall, a gas station and a Mexican restaurant. A group of preservationists, history buffs and civic leaders has mustered in this Dutchess County town to try to save what could be the nation's single largest-known burial site of Revolutionary War soldiers.

"They didn't fight and die for this cause just to have a mall built on top of them," said Spaeth, a 64-year-old retired school librarian.

From 1776 until 1783, the Fishkill Encampment and Supply Depot was a bustling military post. Several thousand Continental Army regulars and militiamen toiled year-round, carrying out the logistical tasks that allowed America's first army to fight. Many, perhaps more than 1,000, died and were buried in the depot's cemetery, 60 miles north of New York City.

The Fishkill depot's complex of huts, barracks, storehouses and workshops was known to have included a cemetery during the war. But its exact location wasn't confirmed until the fall of 2007, when an archaeological survey conducted for the property's owner found several old graves in a wooded area across from the Dutchess

Mall, built in the 1970s.

At the recommendation of state archaeologists, another study was done last year. Ground-penetrating radar indicated several hundred grave sites in the southern tip of the property.

"We really don't know how many are there," said Douglas Mackey, an archaeologist for the state Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Sites.

Backed by the latest findings, town officials and preservationists are seeking government funding to buy the land and protect it from development. One idea is to turn the site into the first national Revolutionary War cemetery. Some have taken to calling the Fishkill site "New York's Valley Forge."

"This is the founding of our country," said Mara Farrell of Fishkill Historical Focus. "There's so much about this site that needs to be revealed."

Retired Army Col. James Johnson, a 1969 graduate of the U.S. Military Academy and a former military history professor there, notes that the closest the Fishkill depot came to fighting was when a British force ventured up the Hudson River from Manhattan and burned a nearby village. Nevertheless, the food, clothing and armaments the

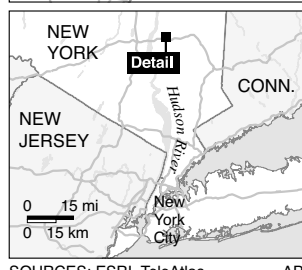
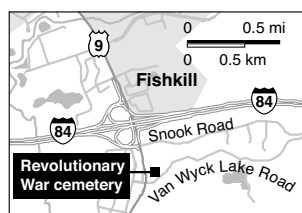
depot provided to Washington's soldiers helped them keep the redcoats from gaining control of the strategic Hudson Highlands.

Historians say disease and starvation claimed most of the soldiers who died here, although some died from wounds suffered in battles fought elsewhere.

Few major battlegrounds from the war, including Yorktown and Saratoga, have sizable marked cemeteries. After Yorktown in 1781, the 156 Americans who died were buried in a mass grave in nearby Williamsburg, Va. Americans killed during two battles at Saratoga, N.Y., in 1777 were buried in unmarked mass graves or simply covered with thin layers of dirt, leaving the remains susceptible to scavengers.

"These burials were done pretty darn quick," said Joe Craig, a ranger at Saratoga National Historical Park in Stillwater. "In garrison areas, they'd have a little more time."

The only other remnant from Fishkill's supply depot days is the old Dutch homestead American officers used as a headquarters. Washington was a frequent visitor when his army encamped at nearby New Windsor.



SOURCES: ESRI, TeleAtlas AP

In June, U.S. Sen. Charles Schumer, D-N.Y., proposed legislation to make the Fishkill cemetery site eligible for federal preservation funds currently used only for Civil War battlefields.

Fishkill Town Supervisor Joan Pagonis, whose Army captain son has served in Iraq, said officials hope funds will be made available to buy the site from the developers.

"I certainly, as the mother of a soldier, realize that this is sacred ground and something has to be done to preserve it," she said. "There's also the side of the people who own it and they've been paying taxes on it."

Property co-owner Scott Jerutis said his company will sell the whole parcel for at least \$6 million and would sell just the section where the graves are located.

## Jerome officials put out fire near I-84/U.S. 93 interchange

Times-News

Officials put out an afternoon fire Saturday near the interchange of Interstate 84 and U.S. Highway 93.

A fire of approximately 150 acres on federal land erupted around 3:30 p.m.,

said Jerome Rural Fire Department Chief Joe Robinette. His agency was released at about 5 p.m., and he said the fire had been put out.

Robinette said there were no injuries or destroyed structures.

The fire, on property

owned by the Bureau of Land Management, occurred at mile post 52 north of U.S. Highway 93.

BLM was still investigating the cause of the fire Saturday evening, Robinette said. Jerome City Fire Department also responded.

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Local singer Tony Garcia of Rupert entertains the crowd during a Fourth of July celebration at Rupert Square.



Sever Mohlman turns the corner on two wheels during the lawnmower races at the Fourth of July celebration at Minidoka County Fairgrounds Friday night.

# Law & Disorder...

... in Cassia County

From June 25 police reports:  
**Failure to appear, false information:**  
 Police questioned a Burley woman working in her yard about a failure-to-appear warrant. According to the report, she lied about the year she was born but not about her age — telling Deputy Doug Welch that she was born in October of 1980 and was 25 years old. “I advised (the woman) if she was born in 1980 then she would be 28 years old,” the report reads. She allegedly told him that she lied because she didn’t want her kids to see her go to jail. It didn’t work, as her three kids saw her go to jail when she was arrested for the warrant and for providing false information to law enforcement.

From June 26 police reports:  
**Garbage fires:**  
 “I was patrolling in the 500 block of Hiland when I saw a city of Burley garbage can with flames coming out of it,” Deputy Robert Taylor’s report reads. Firefighters arrived and extinguished the flames. “I also saw another garbage can next to it that had some charred clothing or bedding in it. There was nobody around and the fire department could not determine what may have caused the fire,” the report concludes.

— Damon Hunzeker

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# A TWIN FALLS FOURTH

Elijah Long, 9, helps roll his brother Zechariah Long, 5, down a hill at the College of Southern Idaho Saturday in Twin Falls while waiting for the start of the fireworks show by Bish's RV.



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Anthony Bauer, 7, gets a root beer float while waiting for the fireworks to start at CSI Saturday.

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## Sagebrush Days parade a big hit

By Jared S. Hopkins  
Times-News writer

BUHL — The Sagebrush Days Independence Day Parade had barely begun when Peggy Schroeder spotted her family members on the float and passing out candy.

"There's Gabby!" she cheered from her lawn chair on Broadway Avenue.

More than a thousand people turned out for the annual parade, which began shortly after the pancake breakfast. After the parade were the fire-hose competition, trout scramble and other events. All told, it's one of the biggest events in the Magic Valley on July 4.

"I'm impressed by the floats today," said Schroeder, 57, of Buhl, who attended for her grandson and to watch family members who participated. She said the floats reflected more of a hometown feeling than business-like in other parades.

Sagebrush Days has been held for years and its parade is a treasured event residents say embodies the identity of true small-town America. The parade includes dozens of floats — including antique cars and trucks, military demonstrations, and the striking "muzzlers" whose loud guns were popular with the crowd.

"It's one of the best parades in the valley," said Shirley Williams, who watched from the shade



Photos by ERIN MATHSON/Times-News

An old Hart Parr tractor was one of many antique tractors at the parade. More than a thousand people turned out for the event.

with her husband, Clifford. "It's without politics and business?"

The event draws a wide array of people, from young families to seniors to military veterans.

Of course, the parade drew hundreds of children. Five-year-old Allysa Fraser watched the parade from the shoulders of her father, Don.

"Tractors," she said when asked about her favorite float in the parade. "They move."

Meanwhile, Terry Hull, 60, traveled from Twin Falls with his uncle from Kimberly. He said he used to watch the parade years ago with a softball team. On Saturday, he thought it'd be a fun opportunity to get some sun and see the community.

"I haven't been here in many years," he said. "It seemed like something

pretty fun to go do." The parade even drew people from outside the country.

Rodrigo and Paola Garza, of Mexico City, Mexico, said it was their first parade they attended in America. The couple, in town for a friend's wedding, said it was refreshing to see a parade with the community participating because in Mexico parades are limited to military and sports figures.

"It's quite fun," said Rodrigo Garza.

Jeff Van Sickle of Buhl had spent years participating in the parade. But on Saturday he hoped to continue the tradition with his children, Ethan and Jonas, his wife and his mother.

"It's just kind of nice to sit back and enjoy it this year," he said.

"I haven't been here in many years. It seemed like something pretty fun to go do."

— Terry Hull, 60

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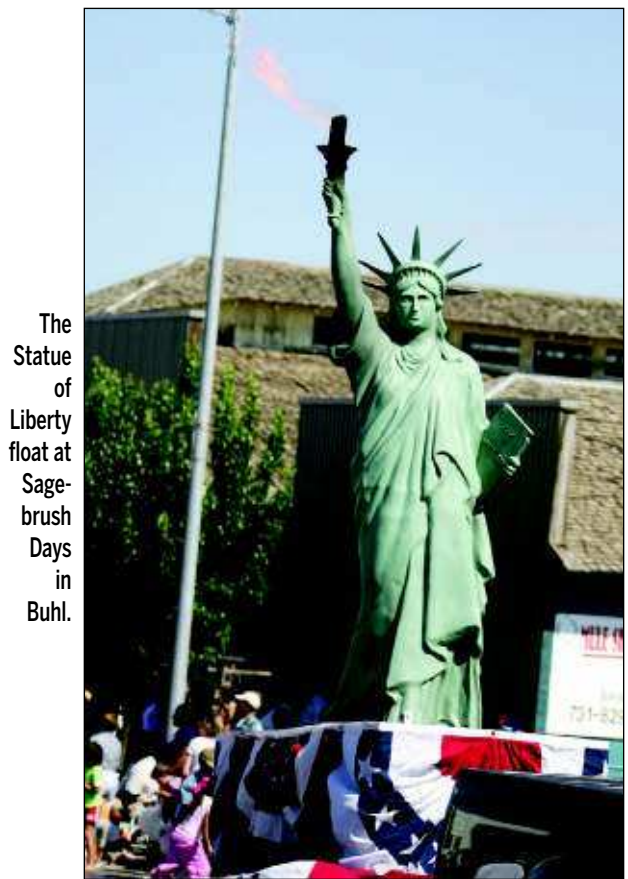
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# Slouching toward France, one holiday at a time

Saturday was a national holiday; Friday was not. Yet I'll bet you were surprised how many people weren't at work on the day before the Fourth of July. Yourself included, perhaps. It was one of those "unofficial" holidays — the day after Thanksgiving, Christmas Eve, New Year's Eve, the day after Christmas, the Fridays before Memorial Day and Labor Day, to name others — of which we Americans have grown so fond. Sort of like the French. In 2000, the Socialist government of Prime Minister Lionel Jospin pushed a law through the French Chamber of Deputies and the Senate cutting the work week from 39 hours to 35, but that was just polite fiction. See, for generations the French haven't been all that scrupulous with the boss' time. Wine with lunch and sex in the afternoon will do that to a people. France, after all, is a nation that goes on vacation in August — and I don't mean that some people go on holiday. *Everybody* takes August off. And they leave town so the boss can't find them. It took a decade for the French to figure out that a 35-hour week isn't such a hot idea in a global economy when everybody else in the developed world works 60 hours a week, and last year Parliament effectively gutted the law under pressure from President Nicolas Sarkozy. But the French didn't suddenly transform into Germans. Workinfrance.com, a U.S.-based Web site for professionals seeking jobs abroad, has this to say about the French workday: "French people ... arrive at work between 9 a.m. and 9.30 a.m. The morning's greetings, involving going round to each person's desk and even shaking their hands, is considered as basic good manners ... "The hour-long lunch break, at around 1 p.m., is indispensable. Lunch is more like a long moment of relaxation rather than a snack gulped between two files ... Meetings can drag on and agendas are not always respected. Unexpected questions can crop up and cause long digressions ... " I've never been to France, but I'm thinking that workday sounds awfully familiar. Heretofore, American politicians, bureaucrats, physicians, dentists, lawyers and school administrators have been in the front rank of the discreet campaign to liberate Friday from its unwanted status as a workday. But I'm not sure they're alone anymore. Last Friday, I had lunch in a small eatery that's located in an office complex. Apart from the cafe, you could have fired a cannon down the corridors of that building and damaged nothing but plaster. So naturally, I ordered the French dip.

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# Locals celebrate freedom, protest big government

By Jared S. Hopkins  
Times-News writer



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READ Capitol Confidential, a blog by Jared S. Hopkins, and watch a video of Saturday's TEA Party

The grilling that took place Saturday in front of the Twin Falls County Courthouse did not include the traditional July 4 hamburgers and hot dogs.

This time, it was the federal government.

"It's not about the freedom anymore. It's about the power," Justin Bovee told a crowd in front of the Twin Falls County Courthouse. "They can get away with tax fraud while we go to prison."

About 200 people turned out to celebrate Independence Day and protest big government, particularly the recent policies on the federal level. The event was one of many nationwide that followed in the spirit of the April 15 protests to the stimulus package. TEA stands for "Taxed Enough Already."

Enthusiasts spoke for more than an hour, including members of Tears of the Patriots, a local group that organized the event. There were tables with literature about the problems of big government and information about the various organizations.

And Bovee, of Tears of the Patriots, gave a demonstration with volunteers to illustrate the increasing power of the federal government.

Brad Graves of Tears of the Patriots said government officials are failing in their jobs because they're not reading legislation, and they didn't

listen to Americans who opposed bank bailouts and the stimulus package.

"We're trying to gather the people of Magic Valley together that are tired of corruption in government and we want to do something about it," Graves, 52, said. "We're seeing a fire started all across the country and we need to bring government back in line. It's ridiculous what they're doing."

Like the TEA Party in Twin Falls on April 15, which drew hundreds of people, the crowd was diverse and enthusiastic.

Some carried hand-painted signs or wore tricorns, the hats popular in the Revolutionary War era.

"The government has gotten away from the Constitution and doesn't seem to listen to us anymore," said Sherry Leavitt, a 21-year-old student at the

College of Southern Idaho who wore a tricorn.

Rusty Satterwhite, who emceed the event, said Americans need to recommit themselves to keep their freedom and bestowed values. He cited popular culture references — American Idol and Jon and Kate Plus 8, for example — as distractions, not solutions. And he said Americans need to hold their government accountable and need to be responsible.

"We the people," he said. "There is a lot of power in that phrase. It's not given to us. It is earned."

He said people must engage on the local level in addition to the national level.

"We have to remember that this is our venue," he said. "Twin Falls is our area first. No matter what Washington does, we have to protect ourselves."

the power back as a republic, we're going to see some pretty huge atrocities," he said. "What we're headed toward is fascism. If you look at history, if you look at what happened to the Germans before World War II, we're going through the same transition."

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# FIRST BANK OF IDAHO CLOSURE

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Nationwide, the FDIC and the Office of Thrift Supervision have closed nearly 100 community banks in recent months in an effort to build confidence in an unstable financial industry.

Each closure receives nationwide attention, but less obvious is the damage downstream as small businesses struggle to replace severed lines of credit.

That's what happened in April, when a small army of accountants swept into Ketchum and took control of the First Bank of Idaho, which held the lion's share of small business credit accounts in the valley.

Depositors were reassured that their money was safe, but local businesses quickly learned they were left hanging — the new owner, U.S. Bancorp, would not continue their credit accounts.

At issue, said Hedrick, is that First Bank understood the peculiar rhythms of business in a resort town, and was willing to work with small businesses needing cash to continue operations between seasons.

"We live in a community that relies on tourism, which rises and falls on the seasons, not fiscal quarters," Hedrick said, as contractors, landscapers and other laborers raced past her storefront to the nearby Sun Valley Lodge, which was preparing for the summer tourist rush. "That's something that a federal agent in New York isn't going to understand, and it's why banks like First Bank (of Idaho) did so well here — that is, before the feds shut it down."

As late as April, the director of First Bank of Idaho was unaware that the locally-owned bank was about to be No. 85 on a growing list of FDIC seizures.

Almost five months earlier, the bank's capital ratio — capital compared to risk-weighted assets such as loans — fell to 9.8 percent, slightly below the federally required 10 percent minimum. At that time, the Office of Thrift Supervision, which regulates savings banks, informed First Bank that it had to raise more capital by June 30 or risk FDIC takeover.

First Bank officials say they hired an investment bank in January to solicit more capital, and met with eight potential private investors in March. But just days later, said First Bank Director Nancy Schauer, the FDIC downgraded the bank's rating and cut access to brokered CD markets, limiting its ability to borrow.

The Office of Thrift Supervision also released its cease-and-desist order to a local newspaper, which bank officers say led to a \$15 million run on deposits.

Timothy Ward, a deputy director at Thrift Supervision, said the action came when examiners saw deterioration in loan assets, including increasing delinquencies.

An agency spokesman called release of the cease-and-desist order routine, but First Idaho officers say



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Laura Elgee, 18, of North & Co. in Hailey, arranges clothes in the store in early June. North & Co. is one of the small businesses in the Wood River Valley now searching for a new lender after the federal government closed First Bank of Idaho in April.

the bank run was the final nail in the coffin, further weakening the bank's capital ratio.

On April 24, Thrift Supervision appointed the FDIC as the receiver of the bank. At that time, the takeover, the bank held more than 50 percent of all deposits and nearly 41 percent of all business loans in the Wood River Valley.

It was the first bank in Idaho seized by the federal government since 1987.

Word of First Bank's seizure spread fast in the Wood River Valley, which was then in "slack time" between winter and summer tourist seasons.

"It was obvious that something serious was going down," said Marcus DeLano, a landscape architect who was working nearby when 40 agents and a local police escort entered the bank. "I don't think discretion had anything to do with it."

According to bank officers, agents seized documents, evicted bank managers and replaced employee nametags with U.S. Bank lapel pins.

That same day, Hedrick went to the bank hoping to find some answers.

"I went down there with questions, but the doors were locked and the agents inside weren't answering," she said.

"It was an eerie feeling, because you could see a bunch of suits inside the bank who looked out of place in this town — it was something that none of us had seen before."

Business owners with First Bank lines of credit or loans were later contacted by FDIC agents. Most were simply told to fend for themselves.

"They said, 'You have 60 days to find credit,' but they didn't release our credit information held by First Bank until 27 days later," said Mark Fisher, owner of Fisher Appliance in Ketchum.

The Ketchum City Council, fearing for the health of the town's commercial district, took the unusual step on April 28 of soliciting banks to extend credit to an estimated 100 business owners.

"We wanted to prevent

the wheels from coming out from under the businesses," said Ketchum Mayor Randy Hall, "so we started calling other banks in the area to say, 'Hey, we really need some help here!'"

To the surprise of the borrowers, the FDIC then moved to auction First Bank's loans at a discount.

"We have an obligation to maximize the return to the creditors," said FDIC spokesman David Barr. "There is really no option. Borrowers have 90 to 120 days to find a new lender before those loans are sold on the market."

Borrowers would not notice any immediate changes if their loans are auctioned but some may not attract a buyer because of risk factors such as payment history and low credit scores.

That leaves the FDIC with one last option: Liquidate the business and sell its assets.

In their scramble to find new financing for the coming summer season, many business owners found little encouragement from loan officers who looked at financial statements severely weakened by a series of hits to the mountain towns in recent years.

Summer tourism was crushed by 2007's Castle Rock Fire, which virtually shut down Ketchum as it burned 17,000 acres right to the edge of town.

Less than a year later, the national recession hit hard. Fewer tourists came to ski or golf.

Real estate sales fell by more than 60 percent from

the prior year. Traffic at the local airport fell nearly 30 percent in April, an ominous indicator of the rapid drop in visitors.

Hedrick said those are circumstances that bureaucrats and out-of-town bankers don't understand.

Hedrick's own story began a year earlier when her husband, Gary Hunt, was killed in an accident on the winding East Fork Road north of Hailey.

"He took care of the financials and I did what I loved most, which was meeting with the customers, organizing events and reading to the kids," she said. "I don't know if I ever sat behind his desk unless it was to nurse our baby."

In organizing the store's financials she learned that Iconoclast owed hundreds of thousands of dollars to First Bank of Idaho and to publishing companies.

Hedrick called First Bank President Brian Furlong, who gave her more time to pay.

"I could do that with our local bank," Hedrick said. "I could plead my case to the people who made the decisions, and they knew it was in their best interest that my business survive to pay off the loan."

Federal regulators say that personal touch is precisely why First Bank failed.

"Banks fail if people don't pay back those loans," said Barr, the FDIC spokesman. "That's what happened to First Bank, and that's why we had to step in to protect depositors."

However, some First Bank of Idaho officers say

they suspect other motives. First Bank was a lucrative business that went to the highest bidder — U.S. Bancorp, which had received a \$6.6 billion federal bailout.

In buying First Bank with government help, U.S. gained a coveted asset: First Bank's branch in Jackson Hole, Wyo. That state limits bank branches so financial institutions must acquire an existing bank to do business there, and First Bank had no intention of selling the branch.

U.S. Bank also gained more than \$488 million in First Bank deposits, according to the FDIC, but didn't have to take what no other institution wanted at any cost: Business loans.

"U.S. Bank got a pretty sweet deal, but as far as I know, none of the loans were sold. That means Wall Street will be reaping the benefits," Schauer said. "The FDIC will sell those loans to buyers for only a few cents on the dollar. Far less than what they are really worth."

Barr would not comment on the agreement between U.S. Bank and the FDIC.

On June 15, at the behest of Ketchum officials, Idaho Department of Finance

## Banks shut down

The Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation and Office of Thrift Supervision, which regulates savings banks, have shut down 98 small to mid-size banks since the financial crisis began in 2008.

The value of the assets being seized by the FDIC is turning the regulatory agency into the nation's largest business liquidator.

"We are having to hire more people to manage these assets," said FDIC spokesman David Barr.

He added that the agency now holds more than \$27 billion in assets, and that figure is expected to grow to \$70 billion by 2013 as more failed banks are seized.

The Independent Community Bankers Association, which represents 5,000 community banks in the United States, projects that as many as 150 more community banks will be shut down before January 2010.

— Joshua Palmer

officials began encouraging local banks to increase lending to small business owners. However, the agency admits it cannot pressure banks to lend.

"Several banks in the area responded immediately," said Gavin Gee, director of the Idaho Department of Finance. "They have reported sending additional Small Business Administration loan officers to work with local business owners."

But Hedrick said she has been denied by every bank in Ketchum. FDIC gave her a June 20 deadline to find another lender, but that date has come and gone. She said she doesn't know what or when something will happen to her business.

"I hold my breath every morning when I come here, hoping there won't be a government lock on the door," she said, after giving a group of second-grade students a tour of the bookstore. "I only hope that the FDIC doesn't want to be in the business of selling books."

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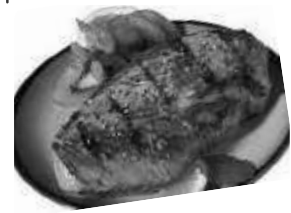
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# Police: Arizona woman led sons on crime spree

By Amanda Lee Myers  
Associated Press writer

PHOENIX — Cynthia Mary Roberson is an unemployed mother who police say led her 12- and 14-year-old sons and their friends to commit at least 20 armed robberies and assaults, including the beating of a teenage boy who had nothing more than an orange lollipop.

Her motivation was purely financial — police said she needed money to pay rent and the loan on her gold Chevrolet. In every case, the mother drove the getaway car and once coached a kid during a robbery because he was having trouble stealing a cell phone from a victim, police said.

The case has outraged authorities and the public and drawn comparisons to "Ma Barker," the infamous mother who led her four young sons on a robbery spree in the early 1900s.

"In the days of the Depression, Ma Barker took her sons and they robbed banks and did this and did that for a living until they got caught," Phoenix police Detective James Holmes said. "Now I've got this lady with her kids and her crew of other bad guys and they're pretty much robbing people all because she didn't have a job."

The similarities between the cases are striking.

Barker was born into poverty in the early 1870s, and encouraged her four boys from an early age to commit drug store and other business robberies in the Joplin, Mo., area, according to Jack Koblas, a historian and author of two books about Barker.

Koblas said Barker would advise her sons and other neighborhood boys on what stores to rob and how, while her straight-arrow husband was at work. As many as 15 boys would gather at her ramshackle house to plan crimes.

By the age of 10, Barker's boys had all been in trouble with the law, Koblas said.

"She was more or less the ringleader of the gang," Koblas said. "She was the one who directed them, led them and was responsible for them becoming the grown-ups they did become."

At the time of her arrest in late May, the 51-year-old Roberson lived in what police described as a filthy Phoenix apartment with her two sons, ages 12 and 14, and five other young boys and men between 14 and 20 years old.

Phoenix police say Roberson had recently lost her job and persuaded her sons and the others living with her to commit robberies to help pay for rent and her car loan.

Phoenix police Sgt. Phil Roberts described Roberson as the ringleader, driving the youngsters to robberies in parks and along streets in Phoenix.

"I think she absolutely had a lot of influence," Roberts said. "She's driving them out, telling them how to do it — basically saying, 'Let's go out and let's commit a robbery tonight,' and then instructing some of the suspects on how to do the robbery and how the robbery should go down."

Roberson remains in jail and declined to speak with The Associated Press. Her attorney, Raymond Kimble, said he had just been assigned to her case and was not yet able to comment.

Roberson pleaded not guilty to one count each of armed robbery, attempted armed robbery and attempted aggravated robbery. She is scheduled for an initial pretrial conference on July 30. If convicted, she faces between seven and 39 years in prison. Her kids and their friends were also arrested.

Police are calling the alle-

# Police arrest N. Idaho boy after string of arsons

COEUR D'ALENE (AP) — A 15-year-old boy suspected of setting 18 fires in the last month has been arrested in northern Idaho.

Coeur d'Alene police say the boy is being investigated in connection with 15 recent wildland fires and then three more fires near Skyway Elementary School.

The fires were quickly extinguished.

Coeur d'Alene Deputy Fire Chief Glenn Lauper said it was critical to make an arrest due to an increased chance of fires this weekend because of fireworks, low humidity, high temperatures and no expected rain.

"We're going to be busy enough with other emergencies," Lauper told the Coeur d'Alene Press. "Those extra fires were putting a drain on our resources."

After eight fires were set in the last week, officials asked for the public's help, which Lauper said was a difficult decision because it could have made it harder to catch whoever was setting the fires.

"We had to make a calculated risk analysis," Lauper said. "Once we go public, we have to have the

resources to put into that investigation because it could either shut him down or make him accelerate his activities."

Coeur d'Alene police Sgt. Bill Tilson said tips from area residents led to the boy's arrest late Thursday.

"The patrol division

received some tips and we followed up on those tips," he said. "Thanks go to the citizens of the city."

Lauper said the boy, who is being held in a detention facility and whose name has not been released, has told officials details about the fires. He said the boy and his parents are cooper-

ating with officials.

"He told us things that were absolutely consistent and confidential to the investigation," Lauper said.

He said serial arsonists tend to set three or more fires, go for a period without setting any fires, and then set more fires.

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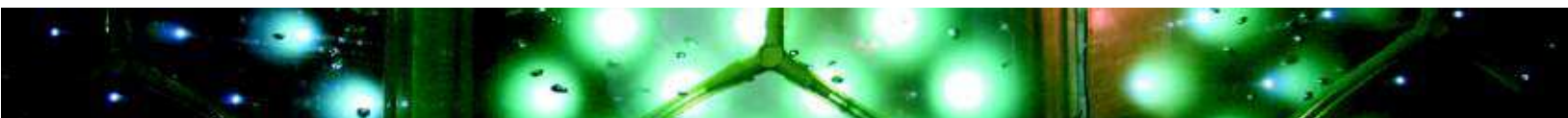
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## New program protects computer screens from shoulder surfers

By Gus G. Sentementes  
The Baltimore Sun

**B**ALTIMORE — Bill Anderson calls it his “a-ha” moment — a flash of insight from which he drew a career-altering connection between decades-old research and his job as a computer security expert.

At the time, nearly two years ago, Anderson had a comfortable job as vice president at an established computer security company. But while reading “Consciousness Explained,” a book by philosopher Daniel Dennett, Anderson learned about one scientist’s research into variations in the way the human eye reads and processes text and images.

“This obscure characteristic ... suddenly struck me as (a solution to) a security problem,” said Anderson, 42, who has a doctorate in cryptography. “I said, ‘Holy cow. No one has thought of using this to protect the contents of a screen! It was just some obscure research.’”



JED KIRSCHBAUM/The Baltimore Sun

In his studio, Bill Anderson of Oculus Labs demonstrates his computer screen security products, Private Eye and Chameleon.

Anderson quit his job at SafeNet Inc., raised \$1.2 million in seed money from friends and family and plunged full time into developing his idea — a software program that allows only an authorized user to read text on the screen, while everyone else sees gibberish.

With the help of a couple of software developers, he tested and revamped the software over the course of several months. He immersed himself in the Baltimore area’s start-up scene, turning to chief executives, attorneys, serial entrepreneurs and other experts for guidance. Along the way, he won some early recognition, including a recent Innovator of the Year Award from the Maryland Technology Development Corp. and some funding from the state Department of Business and Economic Development.

Now, 18 months after he launched Oculus Labs Inc., Anderson has three pending patents and two products ready to be pushed into the market by his four-person company. Venture capital firms and angel investors are courting him — even in the toughest start-up investment climate in a decade.

He hopes he can land a defense-

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— Bill Anderson of Oculus Labs

related government contract for his most powerful product, Chameleon, in the next few months. His first contract probably would make his company more appealing to venture capitalists, who “really want to wait until there’s some traction, and the traction is revenue,” said Mark Esposito, director of emerging company services for PriceWaterhouseCoopers. “Good companies get to be funded in bad times as well as good economic times. They may be hungrier and there’s a more robust set of entrepreneurs out there.”

Anderson was hungry but said he was also motivated by fear that another company would develop his idea first.

**C**hameleon uses gaze-tracking software and camera equipment to track an authorized read-

er’s eyes to show only that one person the correct text. After a 15-second calibration period in which the software essentially “learns” the viewer’s gaze patterns, anyone looking over that user’s shoulder sees dummy text that randomly and constantly changes.

To tap the broader consumer market, Anderson built a more consumer-friendly version called PrivateEye, which can work with a simple webcam. The software blurs a user’s monitor when he or she turns away. It also detects other faces in the background, and a small video screen pops up to alert the user that someone is looking at the screen.

“There’ve been inventions in the space of gaze-tracking. There’ve been inventions in the space of security. But nobody has put the two ideas together, as far as we know,” Anderson said.

## For the farm lobby, too much is never enough

**W**ith the possible exception of the ski industry, it’s hard to think of any sector of the economy that will be hit harder by global warming than agriculture. A report out last week from scientists at 13 government agencies found that climate change is happening more quickly than we thought and that by the end of the century, many farmers will face scorching summer weather, severe storms, prolonged drought and swarms of new insects.

Given those prospects, you might expect the farm lobby to be in the vanguard of those pushing for enactment of legislation to cap the amount of greenhouse gases that are emitted into



PEARLSTEIN  
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the atmosphere. But that wouldn’t be Elmer, would it? True to form, he has demanded another boost in his already lavish government subsidies before he’ll even consider doing something about global warming.

Let’s review the bidding. The climate-change bill that was scheduled for a vote in the House Friday would over the next decade reduce by 17 percent the amount of greenhouse

gases that businesses and individuals would be allowed to release. Those who generate most of those gases would gradually be forced to buy pollution permits, either from the government or from someone else who has extra allocations and is willing to sell them on the open market. By imposing what amounts to a tax on carbon emissions, the bill envisions, businesses and households will respond by reducing their energy consumption or switching to cleaner renewable sources of energy.

Because they are the source of most carbon emissions, factories, power plants and oil refineries would all be covered by the

caps and be required to buy the permits, or allowances, as they are called. The one major source that is not covered is the American farm. From the start, everyone agreed that it would be an administrative nightmare to try to measure and regulate the amount of carbon produced on each farm. Given the power of the farm lobby, everyone agreed that it was also a political non-starter.

But, for farmers, it wasn’t enough to get a free pass on carbon emissions. They are unhappy that the effect of the caps and pollution permits will be to raise the price of their fuel, fertilizer and electricity. No matter that other Americans will suffer similar effects. In the

mind of the entitled American farmer, any increase in costs or reduction in revenue — whether from natural causes, market forces or government regulation — must be compensated for by the government.

So farmers demanded that they be allowed to earn some extra cash by reducing the carbon footprint on their farms and selling these “offsets” to the factories and power plants unlucky enough to be subject to the carbon-cap regime. They want to be paid extra if they change the feed to cut down on cow burps and farts. Or if they use the no-till method

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## Mountain of debt

Since 1790, U.S. has only been free of debt once

By Tom Raum  
Associated Press writer

WASHINGTON — The Founding Fathers left one legacy not celebrated on Independence Day but which affects us all. It’s the national debt.

The country first got into debt to help pay for the Revolutionary War. Growing ever since, the debt stands today at a staggering \$11.4 trillion — equivalent to about \$37,000 for each and every American. And it’s expanding by over \$1 trillion a year.

The mountain of debt easily could become the next full-fledged economic crisis without firm action from Washington, economists of all stripes warn.

“Unless we demonstrate a strong commitment to fiscal sustainability in the longer term, we will have neither financial stability nor healthy economic growth,” Federal Reserve Chairman Ben Bernanke recently told Congress.

Higher taxes, or reduced federal benefits and services — or a combination of both — may be the inevitable consequences.

The debt is complicating efforts by President Barack Obama and Congress to cope with the worst recession in decades as stimulus and bailout spending combine with lower tax revenues to widen the gap.

Interest payments on the debt alone cost \$452 billion last year — the largest federal spending category after Medicare-Medicaid, Social Security and defense. It’s quickly crowding out all other government spending. And the Treasury is finding it harder to find new lenders.

The United States went into the red the first time in 1790 when it assumed \$75 million in the war debts of the Continental Congress.

Alexander Hamilton, the first treasury secretary, said, “A national debt, if not excessive, will be to us a national blessing!”

Since then, the nation has only been free of debt once, in 1834-1835.

The national debt has expanded during times of war and usually contracted in times of peace, while staying on a generally upward trajectory. Over the past several decades, it has climbed sharply — except for a respite from 1998 to 2000, when there were annual budget surpluses, reflecting in large part what turned out to be an overheated economy.

The debt soared with the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan and economic stimulus spending under President George W. Bush and now Obama.

The odometer-style “debt clock” near Times Square — put in place in

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### ON THE WEB:

Treasury Department “to the penny” national debt breakdown:  
<http://tinyurl.com/yxrsh>  
Peter G. Peterson Foundation independent assessment of the national debt:  
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# YOUR BUSINESS

## MILESTONES

### PBS



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The Mini-Cassia Chamber of Commerce Ambassadors hosted a ribbon cutting to commemorate the grand opening of PBS, one-day van tours. JoEtta Abo, owner and tour guide, is pictured cutting the ribbon. Departure time is 9 a.m. and return time varies. Tours are any day of the week. Information: 438-5768 or 670-3807. Call for a reservations.

### MISS MAGIC VALLEY



Courtesy photo

A ribbon cutting was held for Miss Magic Valley 2008 recently at the White House on Blue Lakes Blvd. N. in Twin Falls. The Twin Falls Area Chamber's Ambassadors helped cut the red ribbon. For information on the Miss Magic Valley Scholarship Program: 420-2052. Pictured from left, Tess Zollinger, producer; Megan Parrish, contestant; Jessica Starley, Miss Magic Valley 2008; Courtney Barry, recently crowned Miss Magic Valley; and Corinne Starley, director.

### WESTERN CELLULAR



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A ribbon cutting was held June 18 at Western Cellular in Gooding to celebrate the opening of their new location. Store owner, Jim Schoettger, was present to cut the ribbon along with Chamber President, Shellie Amundson. Western Cellular offers a wide-array of cell phones and service plans. Pictured from left, Earl Fitzpatrick; Genie Bernal; Barbara Nasura; Jim Schoettger, owner; Shellie Amundson, chamber president; Jim Baker; and George Yerion, chamber secretary.

### FARMERS INSURANCE



Courtesy photo

A ribbon cutting was held at Farmers Insurance in Gooding on June 18 to celebrate the opening of their new location. They offer a wide array of insurance options to fit the needs of their customer. Owner, Julie Burton was present to cut the ribbon. Pictured from left, George Yerion, chamber secretary; Julie Burton, owner; Shellie Amundson, chamber president; Jim Schoettger; and Jim Baker.

### J & E THRIFT SHOP



Courtesy photo

A ribbon cutting was held June 27 at J&E Community Thrift Shop to celebrate their first anniversary at their new location. Chamber members and shop owners were present to cut the ribbon. J&E Community Thrift Shop offers a wide array of used items for sale and is dedicated to providing clothing and other items to families and individuals in need. Pictured from left, Athena Sabala, chamber treasurer; Donna Morton, chamber trustee; owners, Julianne Rider and Camas Bieroth; Shellie Amundson, chamber president; and Julie Burton, chamber vice president.

### DOJOS OPEN

Kevin Williams of Gooding has opened two dojos in Gooding and Twin Falls. The 1 percent Dojo instructs self-defense techniques in systems such as tai kung fu and Brazilian jiu-jitsu.

Williams has trained under Gene Starr, a Grandmaster in tai kung fu and Scott McLain who gave him his black belt. He began his training in tai kung fu in 1986 and received his black belt in 1998. He also began post-graduate training in Brazilian jiu-jitsu.

In addition to martial arts, Williams has a bachelor's degree in psychology, a master's degree in behavior analysis, and a doctorate degree in healthcare administration. He is one of nine board-certified behavior analysts in Idaho and works exclusively with children with special needs.

Classes in Gooding are Tuesday and Friday from 7 to 10 p.m. at the War Memorial Hall on the corner of 3rd Ave. W. and Idaho St., and Wednesday and Thursday in Twin Falls at the Head-Hunter Boxing Gym on the corner of Second Ave. N. and Shoshone St.

Pictured are Scott McLain and Kevin Williams.

Information: 320-3788 or visit chokefighter@live.com.



### CLOVERLEAF CREAMERY



Courtesy photo

Cloverleaf Creamery located at 205 Broadway in Buhl cut the red ribbon along with Twin Falls Chamber's ambassadors recently. They are a member of the Twin Falls Area Chamber of Commerce. Cloverleaf Creamery offers a variety of dairy products including ice cream. Their milk products are sold in the old fashioned glass bottles and they are currently working on a home delivery option for customers. Their products can currently be purchased at several local retailers. Information: 543-4272. Pictured cutting the ribbon are owners, Donna and Bill Stoltzfus.

## CAREER MOVES

### Dan Hadley and Calvin Scott

Downtown Twin Falls.

Dan Hadley and Calvin Scott of Red's Trading Post (along with George Kinslow of Idaho Ordnance) successfully completed the Glock armorer's course to become certified Glock armorers.

Scott also recently completed the Sig Sauer armorers course certifying him as Sig Sauer armorer.

Red's Trading Post is licensed dealer in Glock and Sig Sauer firearms and is located at 203 5th Ave. S. in the Historic Warehouse District of



Hadley



Scott

### Dani Irish

Dani Irish, a buyer at Jensen Jewelers' corporate office in Twin Falls, completed the Diamond Council of America colored gemstone course and was awarded the designation of Colored Gemstone Certified by the Diamond Council of America.

The course was an in-depth study of colored gemstones, their history, gemology, and lore. It focused both on selling and product knowledge.

### Chris Mahler

Chris Mahler of Twin Falls has been appointed a full-time agent for American Family Insurance Group,

according to Russell Call, district sales manager for the company.

Mahler opened an office at 622 Blue Lakes Blvd. N. in Twin Falls on June 1. The office is open Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. and nights and weekends by appointment.

Mahler has been a Twin Falls resident for 33 years. He is a member of the Idaho Army National Guard and served an 18-month tour of duty in Iraq.

Mahler is a graduate of Kimberly High School and has an associates degree from the College of Southern Idaho and a bachelor's degree in finance from Idaho State University.



Mahler

## CONTRIBUTIONS

### FARMER'S NATIONAL BANK



Courtesy photo

Farmer's National Bank recently donated \$500 to the local children's group home, the Safe House. Pictured are John Gibson, left, Farmer's National Bank vice president/branch manager and Val Stotts, Safe House program director.

### ZIONS BANK



Courtesy photo

Zions Bank employee John Craner and his wife, Debi, helped makeover Burley's Golden Heritage Senior Center during the company's 19th annual Paint-a-Thon service project held the week of June 15. Fifty homes throughout Idaho and Utah received makeovers by Zions Bank employees during the company's 19th annual Paint-a-Thon service project. In addition to painting, Zions employees provided yard clean-up, pruning, mowing, planting and minor repairs as needed. The cost for all paint and supplies is contributed by Zions Bank.

### Lewis opens car detail shop in Twin Falls

Martin Lewis has opened an express car detail shop, Mr. Shine, located at 1390 Blue Lakes Blvd. in Twin Falls.

The shop offers express detail, overspray removal, interior shampoo, machine polishing, hand waxing, leather treatments, and complete restoration.

## We want YourBusiness news

We welcome announcements about new businesses as well as employee changes or advancements. To submit contributions to YourBusiness, send announcements and photographs to Times-News business Editor Joshua Palmer at jpalmer@magicvalley.com.

The deadline to submit an announcement for the following Sunday is Wednesday at noon. Announcements must be 150 words or less.

The Times-News reserves the right to edit content.

## Eastern Idaho company breaks ground on new plant

IDAHO FALLS (AP) — A health care products company has broken ground on a \$3.28 million manufacturing facility in Bonneville County.

Melaleuca Inc. is building the 38,000-square-foot facility that will be its manufacturing headquarters for the company's line

of powdered drinks.

"These economic times provide lots of opportunities, and this is when we should be buying, not selling," Frank VanderSloot, president and CEO of the company, told the Post Register at the ground breaking ceremony earlier this week. "They always say

'buy low and sell high,' but so many people are selling low right now. If you wait until the recession is over, then it is too late to act."

The company currently contracts with another company to produce the powdered drinks, but that will end when the new facility is complete in about

six months.

"This is going to be Idaho's first foray into a facility of this type," VanderSloot said.

"Idaho Falls will become an international hub in the powdered drink industry, and these products will be shipped all over the world."



# Uncle Sam to pond scum: I want you!

By Mike Stark  
Associated Press writer

LOGAN, Utah — Somewhere among the beakers and the bubbling green-tinged tanks in this Utah State University lab, Jeff Muhs is searching for champion pond scum for Uncle Sam.

If he and others like him around the country are successful, algae-based biofuel could one day power one of the world's biggest gas guzzlers: the U.S. military.

Heady stuff for a simple sun-sucking organism. But algae's ability to grow fast and churn out fatty oils makes it an alluring prospect for a military looking to lessen its dependence on foreign oil.

"It inherently makes sense to start there," said Muhs, who runs Utah State's energy lab.

Work at the lab is part of a Pentagon project aimed at fast-tracking research to eventually produce algae-based biofuel that costs less than \$3 per gallon, can be produced at a rate of 50 million gallons per year and meets strict military standards.

"We believe it's possible. We wouldn't invest in it if we didn't," said Jan Walker, a spokeswoman for the Defense Advance Research Projects Agency, the Defense Department's main research arm.

In December, DARPA awarded a \$20 million contract to General Atomics and a \$15 million contract to Science Applications International Corporation (SAIC), two San Diego-based research companies. The contracts ask the companies to find a biofuel surrogate for JP-8 — the petroleum-based fuel for military jets, planes and other vehicles.



AP file photo

Jeff Muhs of Utah State University's Energy Laboratory in Logan, Utah, sits next to a tank of algae as he talks about how his team of scientists are looking for ways to convert algae into biofuels for military jets on June 11. Earlier this year, USU was among several institutions to receive grant money from the U.S. Department of Defense for the research. The project goal is to create an algae-biofuel facility within three years that will produce 50 million gallons of aviation fuel a year.

Lab tests and smaller-scale experiments over several decades have shown that algae oil can be turned into fuel. But the military, which spent more than \$12 billion on fuel in 2007, wants something large-scale and cheap.

"We view that as the primary challenge of the job, to get it where it will serve as a source of affordable JP-8," said Bill Davison, vice president for the Advanced Process Systems division at General Atomics.

The workload is being spread among subcontractors from universities and private research firms across the country.

Part of the trick is finding the right algae for the job.

There are about 40,000 species to choose from. Many are efficient at converting nutrients and car-

bon dioxide into the organic matter that provides oils that can later be refined and used as a base for biofuels.

The problem is certain algae grow fast — some can double their mass several times a day — but produce little oil. Others produce gobs of oil but are slow growers.

"You have to find a happy medium," said Muhs, whose lab is examining about 300 kinds of algae.

His researchers are running experiments on the effects of temperature, sunlight and other factors on productivity. Some like freshwater, others thrive in salt water. Tweak their living conditions — nutrients, carbon dioxide, flow of water — and their ability to produce oil changes along with it.

"There's so many vari-

ables to look at," Muhs said. "You can begin to see why there's a need for research. It's a daunting task."

At Arizona State University, scientists are testing about 500 strains, searching for the most robust specimens in flasks and beakers that could make the transition to larger outdoor ponds and growing facilities.

"We call them the athletes. If they perform well in the lab they get to play on the big field outside," said Milton Sommerfeld, a professor and researcher at the university.

He was part of a federally funded project that started in the 1970s to look at the viability of algae-based fuel. It's still too early to say what kind of growing systems will work the best and exactly how laboratory successes

will be scaled-up for commercial use, he said.

Intensified interest in recent years, he said, will move the process along more quickly.

"But it's going to require tens of millions of dollars," he said.

Part of what makes algae attractive is that it doesn't compete with food sources in the same way ethanol does and it has the potential to produce far more biofuel per acre than corn or soybeans.

There are still plenty of unknowns, including how much energy it will require to produce fuel from algae at a large scale and whether it's better to grow algae in pools or in enclosed tanks called photobioreactors.

Researchers are also trying to determine the most economical way to extract

oils from the algae and put it through the refining process.

The rough cost estimates for producing algae fuel vary right now from \$10 a gallon to \$40, said Al Darzins, who manages the national bioenergy center at the National Renewable Energy Laboratory in Golden, Colo.

"Obviously, that's not cost effective," Darzins said. "So we have our work cut out for us."

NREL has ramped up its own research into algae-based biofuels a decade after a similar program was scrapped because the fuels were considered too expensive to compete with petroleum.

Today, he said, there are hundreds of companies studying algae fuels. A few high-profile tests — including commercial jet flights using a blend of algae- and petroleum-based fuels — are intriguing but nowhere close to showing that commercialized algae fuel could replace the 100 million gallons of petroleum diesel and jet fuel burned each year, he said.

But research from this Pentagon-funded project could help spur use of algae-based fuels in the commercial aviation market, according to Paul Bollinger, a vice president with SAIC.

"The military has the potential of serving as a market initiator and the airlines as a market maker," Bollinger said.

Back at the Utah State lab Muhs tempers his excitement over the potential of the green slime with a dose of reality. Algae fuels could be a transition-type fuel in the coming years but aren't the singular savior to weaning modern society from petroleum.

"It's not a silver bullet," he said.

## Pearlstein

**Continued from Business 1**  
for planting seeds, which doesn't release the carbon trapped in the soil. Or if they put in devices to trap the methane released from animal poop.

And they demanded to be paid not just if they do these things in the future, but also if they did them last year or the year before. They demanded the payments even if they are already getting a check from the government to do the same things as part of some other conservation program. And perhaps most notably, they demanded that the job of supervising this offset program be shifted from the Environmental Protection Agency, whose focus would actually be ensuring that the reductions are real, to the Department of Agriculture, which sees its mission as preserving, protecting and defending American farm subsidies.

Elmer's support for the climate-change bill, however, could not be had for merely a few billion dollars a year in offsets. There was also an ethanol boondoggle to protect.

It seems those pesky scientists over at the EPA had done a preliminary analysis showing that if you considered the indirect effects of producing a lot of additional corn-based ethanol — like the need to make up for the lost food production somewhere else — then ethanol might not qualify as a carbon-reducing "renewable

fuel" under the 2007 energy bill, potentially jeopardizing ethanol's guaranteed market of 15 billion gallons a year. To rectify this gross injustice, Elmer demanded — and won — a five-year moratorium on any final determination while a study is conducted on how the EPA was conducting its study.

All of these concessions were hammered out last weekend among Collin Peterson, chairman of the House Agriculture Committee, and fellow Democrats Henry Waxman and Ed Markey, the chief sponsors of the climate-change bill. The House leadership and the White House acquiesced; the press conference was duly held. And what was the result?

Bob Stallman, president of the American Farm Bureau Federation and the self-proclaimed "voice of agriculture," Thursday urged all House members to vote against the climate-change bill, claiming it would "result in a net economic cost to farmers with little or no environmental benefit."

The next time the world's most selfish lobby comes to Washington demanding drought relief, someone ought to have the good sense to tell them to go pound sand.

*Steven Pearlstein is a columnist for the Washington Post. He writes about issues affecting business and economic policy.*

## Debt

**Continued from Business 1**  
1989 when the debt was a mere \$2.7 trillion — ran out of numbers and had to be shut down when the debt surged past \$10 trillion in 2008.

The clock has since been refurbished so higher numbers fit. There are several debt clocks on Web sites maintained by public interest groups that let you watch hundreds, thousands, millions zip by in a matter of seconds.

The debt gap is "something that keeps me awake at night," Obama says.

He pledged to cut the budget "deficit" roughly in half by the end of his first term. But "deficit" just means the difference between government receipts and spending in a single budget year.

This year's deficit is now estimated at about \$1.85 trillion.

Deficits don't reflect holdover indebtedness from previous years. Some spending items — such as emergency appropriations bills and receipts in the Social Security program — aren't included, either, although they are part of the national debt.

The national debt is a broader, and more telling, way to look at the govern-

ment's balance sheets than glancing at deficits.

According to the Treasury Department, which updates the number "to the penny" every few days, the national debt was \$11,518,472,742,288 on Wednesday.

The overall debt is now slightly over 80 percent of the annual output of the entire U.S. economy, as measured by the gross domestic product.

By historical standards, it's not proportionately as high as during World War II, when it briefly rose to 120 percent of GDP. But it's still a huge liability.

Also, the United States is not the only nation struggling under a huge national debt. Among major countries, Japan, Italy, India, France, Germany and Canada have comparable debts as percentages of their GDPs.

Where does the government borrow all this money from?

The debt is largely financed by the sale of Treasury bonds and bills. Even today, amid global economic turmoil, those still are seen as one of the world's safest investments.

That's one of the rare upsides of U.S. govern-

ment borrowing.

Treasury securities are suitable for individual investors and popular with other countries, especially China, Japan and the Persian Gulf oil exporters, the three top foreign holders of U.S. debt.

But as the U.S. spends trillions to stabilize the recession-wracked economy, helping to force down the value of the dollar, the securities become less attractive as investments. Some major foreign lenders are already paring back on their purchases of U.S. bonds and other securities.

And if major holders of U.S. debt were to flee, it would send shock waves through the global economy — and sharply force up U.S. interest rates.

As time goes by, demographics suggest things will get worse before they get better, even after the recession ends, as more baby boomers retire and begin collecting Social Security and Medicare benefits.

While the president remains personally popular,

polls show there is rising public concern over his handling of the economy and the government's mushrooming debt — and what it might mean for future generations.

If things can't be turned around, including establishing a more efficient health care system, "We are on an utterly unsustainable fiscal course," said the White House budget director, Peter Orszag.

Some budget-restraint activists claim even the debt understates the nation's true liabilities.

The Peter G. Peterson Foundation, established by a former commerce secretary and investment banker, argues that the \$11.4 trillion debt figures does not take into account roughly \$45 trillion in unlisted liabilities and unfunded retirement and health care commitments.

That would put the nation's full obligations at \$56 trillion, or roughly \$184,000 per American, according to this calculation.

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Tonight: Becoming partly cloudy. Lows upper 50s.

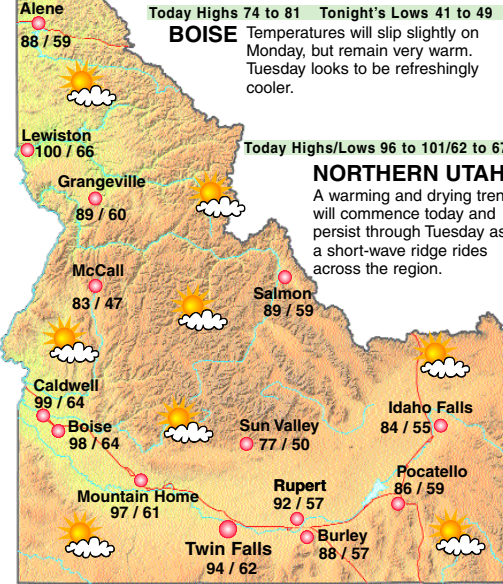
Tomorrow: More warm weather. Highs middle to upper 80s.

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TWIN FALLS FIVE-DAY FORECAST

Table showing 5-day forecast for Twin Falls with icons for Today, Tonight, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday, along with high/low temperatures.

Yesterday's Weather

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

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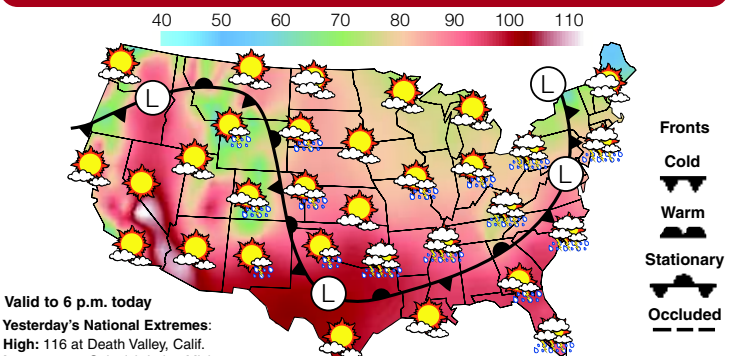
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TODAY'S NATIONAL MAP



Gregg Middlekauff's Quote of the Day: "Life is like riding a bike. It is impossible to maintain your balance while standing still." Includes photo of Gregg Middlekauff and Linda Brakeall.

Obama plan could trim back financial powerhouses

By Jim Kuhnhenn, Associated Press writer

WASHINGTON — They are the biggest of the big — the Citigroups, the Goldman Sachs, the AIGs and other financial behemoths. The Obama administration doesn't want so many around anymore.

Financial regulations proposed by the president would result in leaner and simpler institutions that don't carry the weight of the system on their marble columns.

Around Washington and Wall Street they have come to be known as TBTF — too big to fail. It's not just size, though. These companies are so far-flung, so intertwined and so precariously leveraged that a single one's collapse can create system-wide tremors that imperil the finances of millions of Americans.

With that fear in mind, the government stepped in to bail out Citigroup Inc., Bank of America Corp. and American International Group Inc. with tens of billions of public money last year.

Looking to avoid such a costly intervention, President Barack Obama's regulatory plan calls for large, interconnected companies to pay a heavy price for the systemwide risk they pose.

So far, however, congressional debate has centered on the administration's plan to put the Federal Reserve in charge of these "systemically significant" companies. Less attention has focused on the potential effect on the institutions and the financial system's hierarchy.

Under the administration's proposal, companies such as Citi, Goldman Sachs and others in a broad top tier engaged in complex transactions would face stricter scrutiny and have to hold more assets and more cash as cushions against a downturn.

They also would have to anticipate their own demise, drafting detailed descriptions of how they could be dismantled quickly without causing damaging repercussions. Think of it as planning their own funerals — and burials.

Obama's plan, in short, aims to make it far less appealing to be so big. That was the middle ground the administration sought, a step short of an outright ban on systemically risky companies.

"Without banning them we're providing some pretty heavy penalties for entering" the top group of institutions that could pose a risk

to the entire financial system, said Diana Farrell, deputy director of the White House's National Economic Council.

"The regulator might say to a large institution, 'Make sure there is very good reason to allow yourself to get that big, or that interconnected, or that complex because the penalties will wipe out any advantages, such as lower cost of capital, you might have.'"

Some companies, such as Citi and Goldman Sachs, might bite the bullet and take on the added burden; in global capital markets some firms need to be large.

Others might choose to reduce their financial footprint.

"It's a very sophisticated and very effective way to force institutions to deconsolidate," said Karen Shaw Petrou, managing partner at Federal Financial Analytics, a consulting firm that advises financial institutions.

One nonbank giant is already fighting back.

General Electric Co. has come out against a proposal that would tighten rules limiting companies from mixing banking and commerce. That could require GE to get rid of GE Capital, its sizable financial unit. Analysts say some of the top banks that had Fed stress tests, such as Wells Fargo & Co. or Morgan Stanley, might have to weigh the cost of meeting new regulations against the benefits of their size and reach.

The severity of the conditions remains to be seen. Under Obama's plan, those



The Merrill Lynch charging bull is seen in lower Manhattan in New York in October 2006.

details would be worked out by the Fed and a council of regulators led by the treasury secretary. Congress would have to agree to that framework, however, and lawmakers from both parties have voiced misgivings about putting the Fed in charge.

In the end, there will be institutions that meet top tier specifications and will not break themselves up to escape the tougher oversight.

But others whose business would place them just inside or outside of that classification could end up divesting or reconsidering expansion or acquisitions.

"Where you're going to see the impact of that regime affecting size and complexity decisions of management is on the cusp," said John Dearie, executive vice president of the Financial Services Forum, a group made up of chief executives of 17 of the largest and most diversified financial institutions doing business in the United States.

pose greater risks to the economy. That lack of authority prevented the government from dissolving Bear Stearns Cos., Lehman Brothers and AIG in an orderly manner.

Under the administration's plan, the Treasury could decide to take a company swiftly through a bankruptcy-like process, appointing the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. as a conservator or receiver. The FDIC currently only has the authority to take over troubled banks.

If a swift end could cause a systemwide risk, the administration would allow a government intervention that still could require taxpayer money up front. The administration recommends that the cost of any taxpayer infusion be paid later with

fees assessed on bank holding companies. Farrell noted that capitalization requirements for the companies would help lessen the infusion of government money.

The government would be aided by the failing company's own plan to wind down.

Anil Kashyap, an economist at the University of Chicago School of Business, said simply creating a "funeral plan" could lead some companies to reconsider some of their business strategies.

"The ones that would be more complicated would have to explain to their shareholders why they are so complicated and why they would have to have more capital" to cover their dissolution, Kashyap said. "That would be a very productive outcome."

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## EDITORIAL

# Ten ideas for Tom Tidwell

**F**ourteen years ago, Tom Tidwell was your neighbor. Now he's the chief of the U.S. Forest Service.

The former acting supervisor of the Twin Falls-based Sawtooth National Forest is preparing to take over a federal agency with nearly 33,000 employees that oversees 193 million public acres.

With the possible exception of Secretary of Treasury Timothy Geithner's gig, there's no tougher job in Washington than national forester. The Forest Service has an army of constituent groups, all battling over the same resource — and even more critics

Here are some ideas for making the agency more effective:

1. It's OK to make the Sierra Club mad. Despite the environmental left's world-class whining and its army of well-upholstered lawyers, these folks need to be told "no" once in a while.

2. It shouldn't take five years to make a simple land management decision. Largely for reasons imposed on it — the National Environmental Policy Act, the Endangered Species Act and much more — the Forest Service is choking on red tape. Scoping hearings are piled upon written testimony on top of endless appeals.

You're the guy holding the sword, Chief Tidwell: Cut the Gordian knot.

To do that, of course, will require buy-in from your boss, Secretary of Agriculture Tom Vilsack, and from some big guns in Congress. But these folks are all on record as being committed to cutting federal spending, so how about starting with all the mindless procedures they've foisted on the Forest Service?

3. Trust your land managers. A year ago, Sawtooth National Forest Supervisor Jane Kollmeyer ruled — correctly — that a private company couldn't build a cell phone tower on Galena Summit. Her superiors reversed her simply because she hadn't jumped through all the proper bureaucratic hoops. That's crazy.

4. Don't mistake process for listening. The Forest Service bends over backward to take public comment, but stakeholders often come away complaining that they haven't been heard. Part of the problem is that USFS employees must balance what they hear from the public with often complex land management rules. The agency must do a better job in explaining, up front, the boundaries of its decision-making process.

5. The public is completely confused about the criteria for fighting wildfires — or letting them burn. Change or clarify your policies.

6. Do more cooperating and less competing with the Bureau of Land Management. OK, the BLM works for a different federal agency — the Department of the Interior — with a different budget. But the Forest Service and the BLM have complimentary responsibilities. Is it necessary for the two agencies, for example, to have completely separate firefighting infrastructures? Wouldn't it make sense for the Forest Service to go after a range fire on the BLM's Shoshone District, and for BLM crews to tackle a blaze in the Burley Ranger District?

7. Respect grazing on public lands, but enforce the rules. The Forest Service should be an umpire on this issue, not an advocate.

8. Deal with the consequences of climate change, not the politics. You'll never convince global warming doubters you should be spending their tax dollars fighting drought-related tree diseases or protecting watersheds. So just do your job.

9. The Forest Service is not the Environmental Protection Agency, nor should it be. Manage the resource, whether or not it's politically correct.

10. With climate change, the Forest Service will become more of a firefighting agency. Accept that fact, and budget accordingly.

### Our view:

Newly anointed U.S. Forest Service director Tom Tidwell, a former Twin Falls resident, has a chance to change things for the better on public lands.

### What do you think?

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

New Forest Service chief — and ex-Twin Falls resident — talks of challenges and what lies ahead for an agency dealing with

## A CLIMATE FOR CHANGE

By Rob Chaney

**Missoulian:** Tell us about the selection process. Who was in charge of the choice, and what were they looking for in a new chief of the Forest Service?

**Tidwell:** The secretary of agriculture (Tom Vilsack) was in charge. They wanted someone who had demonstrated they can work with people, be able to reach out. I expect to develop a collaborative approach. We've very successfully been able to move those concepts forward in the Northern Region. And also to have someone who's been with the agency.

**M:** What sorts of unfinished business from the previous leadership awaits you when you get to Washington?

**T:** I'm going to have a transition with Chief (Gail) Kimbell. The thing we see as our focus is implementing the economic recovery projects, the opportunity we had there to not only get a lot of essential work done but to provide jobs, especially in counties across the country where there's high unemployment. We continue to move forward with our focus on climate change, to use the science that we have and apply that science so that natural systems are able to adapt to the various stressors that are occurring in the changing climate.

**M:** What sort of stresses are you focused on?

**T:** Definitely we're seeing effects on snowpack and the effect that has on streamflow. We're seeing places where there's definitely an extension to our fire season. Even though it's by a couple weeks, you get a bit longer fire season where things are drying out two weeks earlier, and it just adds to the potential for wildfire.

We're also seeing areas

where we have to factor in the species composition. (For example) for years we had conifer stands where, if we had fire or something go through there, we need to understand what is the potential for that site? Can we reforest that area, or do we need to look at some other options?

**M:** What new initiatives or directions does the Obama Administration have for forest management?

**T:** I haven't had a chance to have any extensive briefing on that, but definitely climate change is going to be one of our focused areas. Water will be another area where we will be increasing our emphasis of our management on watersheds. It's one of the things we're seeing with the change of climate, the change of streamflow. The importance of our watershed is something that's very undervalued. We must make sure these watersheds are in the best condition they can be in, to provide the abundant flow of water that so many people depend on.

**M:** What practically does that mean?

**T:** It's one of the things we're taking a look at. I don't have any specifics at this time. We'll definitely look to make sure we're doing everything we can to manage for watershed health. Maintain that clean abundant flow of water that comes off the national forest and grasslands.

**M:** Does that mean possible restrictions on forest activities?

**T:** At this time, we don't have any details on what that will be. Water's been one of the foundations of this agency. One of the reasons many of our national forest lands were reserved in the first place was to maintain healthy watersheds. As

### ABOUT TOM TIDWELL

A Boise native and a former supervisor of the Sawtooth National Forest, Tom Tidwell was named by Secretary of Agriculture Tom Vilsack on June 17 as the 20th U.S. chief forester, as the director of the U.S. Forest Service is known.

**Now 54,** Tidwell graduated from Boise's Capital High School in 1972, attended the University of Idaho and began his Forest Service career in 1977 as a firefighter on the Boise National Forest. From March through August 1995, he was acting supervisor of the Twin Falls-based SNF.

**Tidwell** has worked in eight different national forests, and in 2007 became chief forester of the Northern Region, which includes the Idaho, Panhandle, Clearwater, Nez Perce, Bitterroot and Salmon national forests.

**The top forester** in a four-state region, Tidwell worked with Idaho officials, environmental groups, the timber industry, recreation enthusiasts, Indian tribes and others as the state developed a policy for control of remote, roadless forests.

**Idaho** was the only state exempted from a recent order by Vilsack drastically slowing down approval of new road projects in national forests.



"It's been a long while since we had the focus on timber harvest ... As we move forward, the increased recreation is just a part of what we'll need to manage for and provide opportunities for people who use the national forests ..."

we see the effects of climate, snowpacks and waterflows, and there's more and more people moving into especially arid parts of this country, there's an increasing need for clean water. We want to make sure we're factoring in the things we need today, to make sure these watersheds are in the best health they can be to serve the needs of 10 or 15 years from now.

**M:** You've spent a lot of time fighting fire. Congress just finished restructuring how firefighting gets funded. Will we see any changes on the ground in coming fire seasons?

**T:** I don't know if you'll see any changes, but you'll see a continued increase with our level of collaboration and cooperation with

various agencies and the states and local fire agencies so that we can work together and have the most effective response.

**M:** Recent new legislation was intended to keep you from having to raid other budgets for the rest of the year's activities in order to fund the fire season. Does that give you some flexibility?

**T:** Yes. The consequence of the last few years of having to transfer a portion of our budget for other programs toward the middle of each summer in order to pay for fire suppression has had an impact on other programs. Not having to do that will definitely help us be more effective and efficient

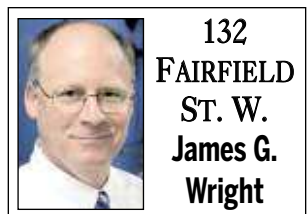
See **TIDWELL**, Opinion 2

## Rebuffing racism isn't political correctness

**W**e run almost every letter we receive because it's our responsibility to provide a forum for the free exchange of ideas, popular or not.

But like the old saw about your right to yell fire in a crowded theater, our willingness to print letters expressing diverse viewpoints does have limits. For one, we don't accept letters that demean people because of their race. I invoked that rule recently in rejecting a letter about the Minidoka Internment National Monument.

For those unfamiliar with local history, the Minidoka Relocation Center north of Eden housed about 13,000 Japanese-Americans out of the roughly 110,000 interned during World War II. Historians generally agree the internments were largely driven by racism, stoked by fear that Japanese troops might invade the West Coast and that some Japanese-Americans might assist them.



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Every president since Richard Nixon has apologized for the internments, and the Minidoka camp became a national monument in 2001.

We still print letters from readers who would rather not see the camp developed as a memorial to a wartime injustice, but the letter I rejected crossed the line by equating internees with Japanese soldiers who committed atrocities such as the Bataan Death March and saying the internee's "native government was very savage and brutal."

There's a saying in the news business: "You're entitled to your own opinion, but you're not entitled to your own facts."

Here are the facts: None of the internees had anything to do with the

### MORE INFO

For additional information about the Minidoka Relocation Center and the internment of Japanese-Americans during World War II, visit these Internet sites:

The Friends of Minidoka: <http://www.minidoka.org>

U.S. Army: <http://www.history.army.mil/html/topics/apam/index.html>

National Park Service: <http://www.nps.gov/min>

Japanese military, and all were in the United States well before the start of the war on Dec. 7, 1941 — the date of the attack on Pearl Harbor.

About 80,000 internees were born in America, making the United States their "native government." More than 1,000 internees from Minidoka alone enlisted and served with valor, the lion's share in the U.S. Army's legendary 100th/442nd Regimental Combat Team in Europe. Seventy-three from Minidoka gave their lives in defense of their true native land.

The rest of the internees were born in Japan but were U.S. residents who had been denied citizenship because of discriminatory immigra-

tion laws of the time.

The only way to link the internees with Imperial Japan is to assume guilt by common ancestry.

That's racist, pure and simple.

I offered to run a version of the letter that would have stated the author's views about the camp as a national monument as long as he didn't stray across that line. He declined, accusing me of practicing political correctness.

He's entitled to his opinion, of course, but if caring about fairness and historical accuracy is being PC, I guess I'm guilty as charged.

*Times-News Editor James G. Wright may be reached at 735-3255.*



## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

## Golfers just want a little respect and quiet on the course

I play golf at Jerome Country Club, but I know that the same issues exist at Twin Muni and probably any other golf course that is bordered by a busy road. Of course I'm talking about the red-necks, errrrr, I mean distinguished citizens that find it hilarious to honk their horns or yell "fore!" as they're driving past.

I'm not going to worry much about you folks (and you know who you are) because you've probably been idiots for a long time. What I'm more concerned about are the growing number of pre-teen kids that are yelling at the golfers as their grinning parents drive past.

Hey, parents! I can't wait until your kids are teenagers and you can't understand why they're so disrespectful to you.

Think back to those times that you encouraged little Timmy to yell fore and you all got a great chuckle out of it. I have an idea for you. Why don't you call the Idaho Golf Association, Muni, or any of the other courses in the area and get your kids involved in junior golf? It'll teach them respect, responsibility, discipline and a sense of fair play. We'll all be better off for it.

**JEFF DUNN**

*Jerome  
(Editor's note: Jeff Dunn is the vice president for the Idaho Golf Association.)*

## Twin Falls city engineer went the extra mile for resident

I would like to thank Traci, our city engineer, for taking the time out of her busy schedule to track down the truth about the walking path in the Fairway Estate Subdivision.

I asked her about when the path would be paved. Instead of the usual government runaround, she called me back with the answer.

It seems when the subdivision was platted, the old city engineer and the head of Parks and Recreation decided it would never be paved.

Dennis Boyer told her they plan to treat it for weeds in a couple of years. So we have a 10-foot strip of city land that is bare dirt or weeds through our subdivision forever.

**PAUL MILLS**  
Twin Falls

## For immigration we shouldn't recycle the same answers

Response to Mrs. Rebollozo, comprehensive immigration reform means amnesty. Amnesty failed miserably in 1986, costing taxpayers billions for promises of tightened border security, sanctions on unscrupulous employers and the end of illegal immigration. In the words of Obama, "We can no longer keep recycling the same old tired policies that don't work."

Illegal immigration has risen from 4 to 18 million since '86. The violence on the border has spilled into the U.S., creating an exponential death rate and record kidnappings. The sanctions against employers are less than a hiccup of inconvenience. In other words, the same old song and dance.

Our economy does not demand amnesty, it warns against it. The idea that amnesty will create billions in tax revenue is like buying snake oil because it claims to remove spots and cure the common cold.

Illegal immigrants already pay taxes through falsified or stolen identity papers, according to the 1996 Huddle study it was \$12.5 billion in revenue, but deducting from the total cost of direct services leaves a negative \$24.4 billion for us to cover annually. Expecting amnesty to triple the tax revenue is akin to trusting the stimulus package to create jobs.

They say applicants will pay a fine, they don't mention that billions of tax dollars will pay those fines if they make under X amount of dollars per year. They say they will have to go to the back of the line and wait like every body else but they will still be working while people using proper channels still wait in Latin America for years for their turn.

What do we tell the six million out-of-work Americans and the new 400,000 unemployed from June to sell them on this new and improved policy?

**DAN LYON**  
Buhl

## OTHER VIEWS

## Here's what Idaho newspapers are saying about ...

## ... crimes and misdemeanors

Post Register, Idaho Falls

George Jones got arrested (last) week, a fact that comes as no surprise to anyone who knows his history.

Jones faces kidnapping charges after allegedly trying to force his way into a woman's car in the Target parking lot ...

The Idaho Falls man's history includes peeping into bathroom stalls, exposing himself to a woman and her child, and following teenage girls through a parking lot.

He's been charged with obscene conduct, public nuisance, battery, display of sexually obscene material, unlawful access to schoolchildren, unlawful entry, indecent exposure and disturbing the peace.

So why isn't Jones in prison? Because the majority of his crimes have been misdemeanors.

And Idaho code gives no consideration to sexual deviants convicted of misdemeanors who appear to be progressing toward felony-level behaviors.

... How many ticking time bombs are floating through a misdemeanor probation system that is not empowered to treat them as a legitimate threat to society?

That's something Idaho's Criminal Justice Commission ought to address ... Gov. Dirk Kempthorne created it to sort through thorny issues like this.

If the commission needs a conversation starter, how about this: We take those misdemeanors and make them felonies if prosecutors can prove sexual intent.

The experts can hash out those details. But this much is clear: Idaho must stop the next



George Jones before he works his way up the system.

## ... judging teachers fairly

Idaho Statesman, Boise

To understand what a state teacher evaluation plan is all about, you need to know what it isn't all about:

- It isn't about grading teachers based on students' standardized test scores. This is a nonstarter for teachers, and the committee drawing up the evaluation plan skillfully sidestepped that pitfall.

- It isn't about merit pay — another turnoff for teachers. The plan sets the framework for grading teachers, while leaving alone the teacher pay structure written into state law. "We didn't go there at all," said Nick Smith, a deputy state superintendent.

- It isn't — or shouldn't be — too controversial. The merit pay debate has been combative. The rewrite of the evaluation plan has been collaborative.

This shows in the results. This is a common-sense plan that should help teachers grow professionally — and that, in turn, should improve the education experience for Idaho's 275,000 public school students.

And it is a good example of what can happen when a large group of people works together to focus on a problem.

The problem is the current patchwork approach to evaluations, which are required in state law. Some of Idaho's 115 districts have a rigorous evaluation system — and if legislators approve the state's plan next winter, these districts won't have to change a thing. Other districts have a less rigorous plan. Some districts have written evaluation language into their collective bargaining agreements with teachers.

It only makes sense that an evaluation should mean more or less the same thing, in Boise or Buhl. Teachers deserve this. So do parents and students ...



## ... not the feds' fault

Lewiston Tribune

For a team that boasts of how proficiently it's managing Idaho's share of the federal stimulus money, Gov. Butch Otter's budget office has a lot of glitches.

The second-to-the-last day of Idaho's marathon legislative session, the feds disallowed

## Surprise! Some Republicans could win next fall

**W**ASHINGTON — It was probably inevitable that the elections for governor, taking place in November in New Jersey and Virginia, would be seen by many people outside those states as a referendum on Barack Obama's performance as president.

Those will be the first statewide contests since he entered the White House, and they are taking place in states he won last year. But forces of history and economics add to the presidential stakes in the outcomes.

History: In 1993, a year after the last previous Democratic president, Bill Clinton, was elected, Republicans captured the Virginia governorship with George Allen and New Jersey's with Christine Todd Whitman. Their victories set the stage for the GOP takeover of Congress in 1994 that in turn prepared the way for George Bush's presidency.

After losing Congress in 2006 and the White House last year, Republicans are desperate for some good news — and look to be competitive in both these states.

Economics: When the current Democratic governors of New Jersey and Virginia were elected in 2005, the unemployment rates were, respectively, 4.7 percent and 3.4 percent. In June, the ranks of the jobless grew to 8.8 percent



**DAVID BRODER**

in New Jersey and 7.1 percent in Virginia.

In both states, the economy has become the biggest issue for voters — and a problem for Democrats.

With their party in control of both houses of the New Jersey Legislature and one house in Virginia, plus the governorships, Democrats have been wrestling with budget cuts and calls for tax relief.

Just as Obama has blamed the Bush administration for the recession he inherited, the Democrats running in these two states have invoked Bush's name and tied him to their opponents.

The results may well show how much of the responsibility for the bad economy has shifted to their shoulders — and implicitly to Obama's.

New Jersey is tough territory for the GOP. Whitman was the last Republican to win a statewide race, and the Democratic registration edge and Election Day margins have been increasing.

But Gov. Jon Corzine, who made a fortune on Wall Street and used it to finance successful campaigns, first for the Senate and then the governor-

ship, has had a very rocky first term.

Republicans charge that he has failed to deliver on his key promises — to balance the budget and reduce some of the nation's highest property taxes. Corzine insists he has done everything possible to mitigate the damage from a collapse of the national economy.

The Republican challenger, Chris Christie, made his reputation as the Bush-appointed U.S. attorney, tackling public corruption and convicting more than 130 public officials.

Democrats have tried to tarnish his reputation by pointing to contracts he signed with Republican insiders for legal work with his office, but the first post-primary poll last week by Quinnipiac University gave Christie a 50-40 percent lead over Corzine. Two-thirds of those surveyed said they were dissatisfied with the way things were going in New Jersey, and independents gave Christie a 24-point edge.

Despite all this, Corzine's unlimited treasury and the state's Democratic leanings give him a chance.

In Virginia, both Obama — the first Democratic presidential winner in decades — and term-limited Gov. Tim Kaine, now doubling as chairman of the Democratic National Committee, have reasons to try to keep their party's winning streak alive.

They were heartened by the

Idaho's plan to funnel \$85.1 million of stimulus money back into a school stabilization account. Much of that account had been depleted in order to spare schools from the budget holdbacks Otter imposed elsewhere in state government as the economy slid into recession.

Had the news come after lawmakers adjourned a few days later, Otter would have had no choice but to call them back to Boise for a special session just to fix the error.

As it was, the politicians scrambled to move money in and out of different accounts. Some stimulus money went into next year's school budget, but not enough to avoid cuts. Some flowed into reserves. Lawmakers also allocated \$17.6 million into higher education.

Of the \$201.7 million in federal education stimulus money they started with, lawmakers planned to spend \$37 million for the budget they'll begin setting in January ...

By shifting the federal dollars around at the last minute, it turns out budget writers set themselves up for another headache. The feds say Idaho must spend \$33.1 million of the remaining stimulus dollars on schools next year ...

The change won't help schools much. Idaho will spend \$1.3 billion on K-12 next year, so \$13 million more represents a mere 1 percent gain ...

Boise blames Washington, D.C. The stimulus package was complex. The rules are confusing. Even the people who voted for it hadn't read it.

... Otter went into this partnership biased against the stimulus package. He was among a small group of governors who publicly contemplated not accepting the money. Even when he did, he likened the act to providing more booze to a recovering alcoholic ...

So by next winter, lawmakers may be choosing between cutting your son's college major — or putting state cops on unpaid furloughs.

Otter can't blame the federal bogeyman for that one.

## Tidwell

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with programs and be able to move forward with the benefits that derive from those programs on recreation and wildlife and watershed work and trails and roads and that sort of thing.

**M:** One of your predecessors, Dale Bosworth, (says) climate change and its impact on forests will be a major topic. Does the Forest Service have a leadership role in that discussion, or does it need to wait for guidance on national wild-land priorities?

**T:** We do have a leadership role. Part of it comes from the extensive research that our research-and-development branch of the agency has been doing for the last few decades. We have some of the best science, and we need to make sure we're applying that, using that and sharing that as we move forward. I think we have a key leadership role, not only in the application of science but to help inform and educate our community and the folks we work, so they can understand the changes that are occurring, how it's

affecting the landscape and help us find solutions about how we need to change our management so these natural systems are able to adapt to various climate change stressors.

**M:** A big part of that is the interest in using timber biomass for fuel and energy. Is the Forest Service prepared to manage that kind of demand?

**T:** There's going to be a need to remove material — biomass — from the forest, especially around our communities and watersheds. And there needs to be a way

to use that material, not only to offset the cost, but there's the potential to convert that to energy. It's one of those things that needs to be part of the solution.

**M:** What about biomass uses that are unproven or uneconomically viable? Do you need to wait, or does the Forest Service have role in clearing that up?

**T:** It will be both. The industry is moving forward with innovations and developing technology. And we do work and other federal agencies are doing work to help explore new tech-

nologies. It becomes more of a partnership between our research branch and other research agencies along with industry.

**M:** The traditional role of the Forest Service to "get the cut out" has been on the decline with the collapse of the timber industry. At the same time, recreational users are bringing whole new challenges to forest management, like motorized vs. wilderness access. How do you see the agency adapting to this changing management landscape?

**T:** It's been a long while

since we had the focus on timber harvest. For years now we've been focused on managing land and using timber harvest as one of the tools to improve forest health. As we move forward, the increased recreation is just a part of what we'll need to manage for and provide opportunities for people who use the national forests and places they want to recreate. That change occurred a long time ago and we'll just keep moving forward, doing the things we have been doing the last few years.

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# NATION & WORLD

## Exiled Honduran president vows to try to retake office

By Will Weissert and Nestor Ikeda  
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TEGUCIGALPA, Honduras — Ousted President Manuel Zelaya said Saturday that he would return to Honduras to try to retake office following last week's military-backed coup, despite warnings of a potentially bloody confrontation and the interim government's vow to arrest him and put him on trial.

Honduras rebuffed demands by the international community to reinstate Zelaya in the name of constitutional order, thrusting the poor Central American nation deeper



Supporters of ousted Honduran President Manuel Zelaya stand next to the fence protecting the airfield Saturday in Tegucigalpa, as soldiers guard the international airport. AP photo

into political crisis and isolation.

The Organization of American States met in

Washington to consider suspending Honduras' membership because of the coup — though even before the emergency session, the interim government decided to pull out of the OAS rather than meet

its ultimatum to restore Zelaya.

Zelaya called on supporters to prepare to greet him at the airport today, and on Saturday more than 10,000 of them gathered near the heavily guarded presidential palace and pledged they would be ready if he returned.

"We are going to show up at the Honduras International Airport in Tegucigalpa ... and on Sunday we will be in Tegucigalpa," Zelaya said in a taped statement posted on the Web sites of the Telesur and Cubadebate media outlets.

In comments to a local radio station, Zelaya said Argentine President

Cristina Fernandez and Ecuador's Rafael Correa, several foreign ministers and 300 journalists would accompany him.

Zelaya implored supporters to remain peaceful.

"I ask all farmers, residents, Indians, young people and all workers' groups, businessmen and friends ... to accompany me on my return to Honduras," he said earlier. "Do not bring weapons. Practice what I have always preached, which is nonviolence. Let them be the ones who use violence, weapons and repression.

"I hold the coup plotters responsible for the lives of each and every person," he added.

## Palin links resignation to a 'higher calling'

By Mark Thiessen  
Associated Press writer

JUNEAU, Alaska — Outgoing Alaska Gov. Sarah Palin on Saturday laid the groundwork to take on a larger, national role after leaving state government, citing a "higher calling" with the aim of uniting the country along conservative lines.

A day after surprising even her closest friends by announcing she would step down as Alaska governor more than a year before her term was up, the controversial hockey mom was still keeping details of her future plans under wraps. But in a statement posted on Palin's Facebook account, she suggested that she had bigger plans and a national agenda she planned to push after she resigns at the end of the month.

"I am now looking ahead and how we can advance this country together with our values of less government intervention, greater energy independence, stronger national security, and much-needed fiscal restraint," she said.

Palin also cast herself as a victim and blasted the media, calling the response to her announcement "predictable" and out of touch.

"How sad that Washington and the media will never understand; it's about country," the statement said. "And though it's honorable for countless others to leave their positions for a higher calling and without finishing a term, of course we know by now, for some reason a different standard applies for the decisions I make."

Palin's personal spokeswoman, Meghan Stapleton, confirmed to The Associated Press that the Facebook posting was written by the governor.



Palin

The abruptness of her announcement and the mystery surrounding her plans has fed widespread speculation. But Palin attorney Thomas Van Flein on Saturday warned legal action may be taken against bloggers and publications that reprint what he calls fraudulent claims.

"To the extent several websites, most notably liberal Alaska blogger Shannyn Moore, are now claiming as 'fact' that Governor Palin resigned because she is 'under federal investigation' for embezzlement or other criminal wrongdoing, we will be exploring legal options this week to address such defamation," Van Flein said in a statement. "This is to provide notice to Ms. Moore, and those who re-publish the defamation, such as Huffington Post, MSNBC, the New York Times and The Washington Post, that the Palins will not allow them to propagate defamatory material without answering to this in a court of law."

Palin has kept a low profile since her abrupt announcement Friday at a hastily called news conference at her home in suburban Wasilla, outside Anchorage. All of her public communication since then has been on the social networking sites Facebook and Twitter, or through statements released by her office.

At the same time, Palin informed her spokesman David Murrow early Saturday that someone using the name "exgov-sarahpalin" on Twitter was spreading a false rumor that there was to be a party at her suburban home in Wasilla, outside Anchorage. Palin was afraid her home would be mobbed, and security was dispatched, Murrow said.

## Soldier who fought in pink boxers home for the 4th

FORT WORTH, Texas (AP) — The soldier who was photographed fighting the Taliban in his pink boxer shorts said Saturday he was glad to be back home in Texas after his yearlong deployment to Afghanistan — especially for the Fourth of July.

Specialist Zachary Boyd said he initially thought he'd get in trouble after an Associated Press photo first transmitted in May showed him with other soldiers behind sandbags wearing his "I love NY" boxers — plus flip-flops, a helmet and a bulletproof vest.

The Fort Worth soldier jumped up from a nap when

his unit came under fire and didn't want to waste time putting on his uniform.

"Every second counts," he said.

Boyd said he had bought the boxers during a New York layover before deploying and chose pink because he thought his friends would laugh. As for a bright red T-shirt he also was wearing, Boyd said he wasn't overly worried about drawing fire that day.

"The enemy already knew where I was," Boyd said. "If they want to shoot at me, then that's less fire they put on the guys that are pinned down, so that's fine with me."

# Birthday salvo



AP photo

A mock North Korean Scud-B missile, center, and mock South Korean missiles are displayed Saturday at the Korea War Memorial Museum in Seoul, South Korea.

## Defiant North Korea launches 7 missiles on U.S. holiday

By Blaine Harden and Joby Warrick  
The Washington Post

TOKYO — Taunting the United States on its birthday, North Korea fired seven missiles into the Sea of Japan early Saturday in a provocative move that some experts said might have been intended to discourage deployment of new missile defenses against the communist state.

The Independence Day launch was the North's biggest one-day barrage of test missiles in three years. It drew strong criticism from countries in the region, as well as renewed resolve from the Obama administration to punish

Pyongyang for its continued defiance of U.N. resolutions.

The seven rockets splashed harmlessly into the sea, and U.S. analysts said all appeared to be short-range ballistic missiles capable of striking targets less than 350 miles away. Some independent experts said the firing of multiple missiles may have been intended as a warning to adversaries that North Korea would seek to overwhelm their missile shields.

"The chief challenge with missile defense is coping with large numbers of missiles, and the firing of seven has a saturation quality to it," said Dennis M. Gormley, a former member of

numerous military and intelligence advisory boards and a senior fellow at the Monterey Institute's James Martin Center for Nonproliferation Studies in Washington. "It at least raises the specter of these kinds of attacks."

Pyongyang made no comment Saturday about the missiles. But launches had been expected this weekend because North Korea had warned ships to avoid waters near its east coast through July 10.

In Washington, the Obama administration reacted with dismay to the latest in a series of North Korean provocations that included an underground nuclear test

on Memorial Day.

"This type of North Korean behavior is not helpful," said State Department spokesman Karl Duckworth. "What North Korea needs to do is fulfill its international obligations and commitments."

A senior administration official predicted the tests will lead to the further isolation of North Korea, which was hit with new U.N. Security Council sanctions last month after its May 25 nuclear test. "It's not going to change anything, and we're going to continue to implement these sanctions in the resolution," said the official, speaking on the condition that he not be identified.

## Biden spends July 4 with son, other troops in Iraq

By Kim Game  
Associated Press writer

BAGHDAD — Vice President Joe Biden spent the Fourth of July with his son and other American troops in Iraq on Saturday, while the Iraqi government spokesman publicly rejected the American's offer to help with national reconciliation, saying it's an internal affair.

Biden took a break from politics and presided over a naturalization ceremony for 237 U.S. troops from 59 countries in a marble rotunda at one of Saddam Hussein's former palaces at what is now Camp Victory, the U.S. military headquarters on the western outskirts of Baghdad.

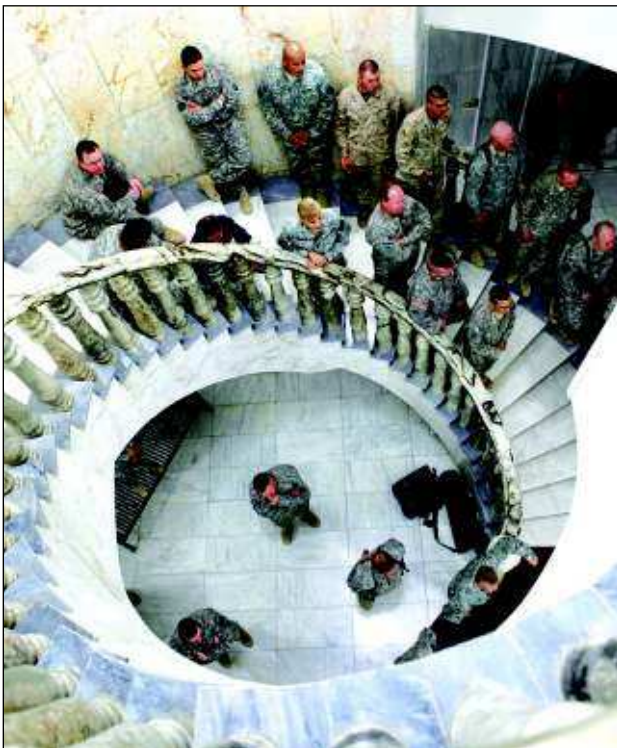
He then had lunch with the 261st Theater Tactical Signal Brigade from Delaware, to which his son, Beau, belongs. Beau Biden stood in the back as his father greeted the

troops. In telling the brigade about the naturalization ceremony, the vice president used some of his characteristic colorful language.

"We did it in Saddam's palace, and I can think of nothing better," he said. "That S.O.B. is rolling over in his grave right now!"

Biden's unusually long three-day trip to Baghdad, which began late Thursday, was aimed at fostering political reconciliation after U.S. combat troops withdrew from Iraqi cities as part of a security pact that calls for a full withdrawal by the end of 2011.

Government spokesman Ali al-Dabbagh's comments were in response to an appeal Biden made a day earlier for Iraqis to do more to bring the country's divided factions together and his offer of U.S. help.



AP photo

U.S. troops stand on a spiral staircase to watch a naturalization ceremony at al-Faw Palace on the western outskirts of Baghdad, Iraq, Saturday. U.S. Vice President Joe Biden was in attendance as some 237 soldiers from 59 countries took the oath.



# Obama's trip abroad aims at reshaping U.S. image

By Ben Feller  
Associated Press writer

WASHINGTON — Determined to change the way the world views the United States, Barack Obama is onto his next foreign mission: rebuilding relations with Russia, proving to global leaders that America is serious about climate change, and outlining his vision for Africa, his father's birthplace.

And when in Rome? Obama will go to the Vatican to see Pope Benedict XVI for their first meeting.

Obama's weeklong trip — he leaves Sunday night for Moscow — typifies the pace of his first-year agenda.

Capitalizing on his popu-

larity and his party's hold on power in Washington, Obama is moving quickly and broadly on foreign policy. That often means overturning George W. Bush's policies or mending relations that Obama contends went adrift under his Republican predecessor.

Familiar foes may shadow Obama and his plans.

Iran and North Korea are defiantly pursuing nuclear weapons programs despite international penalties. Iran has taken a hard and deadly line against postelection protesters, while North Korea fired seven ballistic missiles off its eastern coast on America's Independence Day.

Obama's trip is anchored around a yearly meeting of

leaders from the world's industrial powers, set for Italy. The Group of Eight countries — the U.S., Japan, Germany, France, Britain, Italy, Canada and Russia — will try to make progress on climate change. Negotiations for a new international agreement to reduce greenhouse gases get under way in Denmark in December.

Before the Italy meeting, Obama holds a nuclear-arms-focused summit in the Russian capital. The final leg of the trip brings the first black U.S. president to Africa, home to Obama's late Kenyan-born father.

Obama set a tone for the Moscow meeting by saying

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AP photo  
Traditional Russian wooden dolls depicting Russian President Dmitry Medvedev and U.S. President Barack Obama are seen Friday at a street vendor's stand in St. Petersburg, Russia.

# A FUN AND FABULOUS FOURTH



AP photos  
Joey Chestnut, left, of San Jose, Calif., celebrates after winning the Nathan's Famous July 4th Hot Dog Eating Contest, beating former champion Takeru Kobayashi, of Nagano, Japan, by downing a record 68 dogs, Saturday at Coney Island in New York.

## Biggest fireworks show in U.S. lights up New York sky

By Verena Dobnik  
Associated Press writer

NEW YORK — Fireworks lit the night sky above New York with a kaleidoscope of colors shooting 1,000 feet into the air on an Independence Day that began with the Statue of Liberty's crown opening to the public for the first time since Sept. 11, 2001.

It was the nation's biggest fireworks display, with more than 22 tons of pyrotechnics exploding Saturday over a mile-and-a-half of the Hudson River, a new vantage point for New York's festivities. Millions of spectators watched from both sides of the river.

Among them were Jamalot Bayoumy and his wife, Mosad Mohamad — food vendors who work near the river. They lost an estimated \$1,000 in business when police asked them to shut down because of swelling crowds.

"This is very nice," Bayoumy said, "but we're losing money in America."

But, his wife added, "America is free. We have green cards and we dream to become Americans."

While the recession forced many communities to scale down, or even cancel, their fireworks, "we're a country of survivors and fighters, and we try to make things work," said Gary Souza, whose family-owned, California-based company is staging the New York display as well as hundreds of others across the country — including the nation's capital.

In Washington, the daylong celebrations started with a parade along Constitution Avenue and ended with fireworks over the Washington Monument as a band played a medley of patriotic music.

President Obama, speaking to military families at the White House for Independence Day festivities, told the service members they were "the latest, strongest link in that unbroken chain that stretches back to the Continental Army."

Former President George W. Bush spoke amid thunderous applause in rural Woodward, Okla., calling the U.S.



Fireworks explode over the Empire State Building during the 33rd annual Macy's Fourth of July fireworks display, Saturday, as seen from Weehawken, N.J.

the "greatest nation on the face of the earth." He thanked members of the military for their service, and thanked spectators for giving "a retired guy something to do."

In Philadelphia, where the Declaration of Independence was adopted on July 4, 1776, the city held a parade through the Old City neighborhood for the first time in 18 years. Descendants of the Declaration's signers gathered at the Liberty Bell, and a spectacular fireworks show went off over the Museum of Art.

On Saturday morning in Boston, with its rich Revolutionary War histo-

ry, the Navy's oldest commissioned warship performed its annual turnaround in the harbor. The USS Constitution — "Old Ironsides" — marked the day by firing a 21-gun salute, the highest maritime honor, followed by 19 volleys.

On Saturday evening, Bostonians filled the banks of the Charles River for a free Boston Pops concert featuring Neil Diamond.

And on Brooklyn's Coney Island, an iconic Fourth of July event — Nathan's Hot Dog Eating Contest — was won Saturday afternoon by Joey Chestnut, who chomped down a record 68 dogs.

## Teen becomes 5th victim of apparent serial killer in SC

GAFFNEY, S.C. (AP) — A her father was killed Thursday as they worked to helping her father in their close the Tyler Home family's small furniture and appliance store died Saturday, becoming the fifth victim of a suspected serial killer terrorizing a small South Carolina community, authorities said.

Abby Tyler, 15, died about 11:15 a.m. at a Spartanburg hospital after to death Wednesday, and a fighting for her life for two 63-year-old peach farmer days, Cherokee County was found dead at his home Coroner Dennis Fowler a week ago.

Tyler was wounded and

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Police sketch of suspect

## 1.6 million fans seek tickets to memorial service for Jackson

LOS ANGELES (AP) — More than 1.6 million fans registered for tickets to Michael Jackson's memorial service over the two-day registration period that ended Saturday.

Only 11,000 tickets will be given out for the Tuesday service at Staples Center in downtown Los Angeles. Another 6,500 tickets will be given away for the Nokia Theater overflow section next door.

Fans had to register for free at staplescenter.com between 10 a.m. Friday and 6 p.m. Saturday for the random drawing of 8,750 names. Each person selected will receive two tickets and will be notified by email after 11 a.m. Sunday.

Before the drawing, officials at AEG, the owner and operator of the Staples Center, will "scrub" the entries to eliminate duplicates and any suspected of being made by automated systems or "go-bots," said Jackson family spokesman Ken Sunshine in a statement.

Winners will receive a unique code and instructions on how to pick up their tickets at an off-site distribution center on Monday. At the distribution center, they will receive the

ticket and a wristband that will be placed on their wrists at that time.

Fans must have both the ticket and the wristband to enter Staples Center on Tuesday. Wristbands that have been ripped, taped or tampered with will be voided.

Sunshine said those steps are being taken to prevent ticket-scalping.

City officials are preparing for massive crowds. Assistant Police Chief Earl Paysinger says anywhere from a quarter-million to 700,000 people may try to reach the arena, even though a wide area around Staples Center will be sealed off to those without tickets.

The memorial for Michael Jackson may be a tough ticket live, but it shouldn't be hard to find it on television.

ABC, CNN, MSNBC and E! Entertainment are among the networks that have already announced plans to offer live coverage of the Tuesday memorial, set for 11 a.m. MDT in Los Angeles' Staples Center.

NBC is not planning live coverage, but will wrap up highlights in a one-hour prime-time special Tuesday night.

## Statue of Liberty's crown reopens for Fourth of July

By Tina Susman  
Los Angeles Times

NEW YORK — Erica Breder, a first-generation American, stood mesmerized inside the Statue of Liberty's crown. Out one window, the statue's massive arm and golden torch rose above her. Hundreds of feet below early Saturday, the blue sparkling waters of New

York Harbor stretched to infinity. On the floor beside Breder, was her ... boyfriend?

"Will you be my wife?" Aaron Weisinger, of Danville, Calif., asked softly, sweat beading on his head as he balanced on one knee in the uncomfortably narrow spot. "Yes," a stunned Breder whispered without hesitation. They kissed. A lot. Only then did Breder

notice that the couple were alone in the crown, which had reopened to visitors just minutes earlier after being shuttered since the Sept. 11, 2001, attacks.

In the annals of marriage proposals, Weisinger's must rank among the most hard-won. Like hundreds of thousands of other people, he

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Aaron Weisinger, 26, surprises his girlfriend Erica Breder, 25, with a wedding proposal while visiting the Statue of Liberty, Saturday in New York.

AP photo



# Hearts flutter as financial markets falter

CHICAGO (AP) — Credit the recession for staycations and bringing us more game-night parties at home. But also give it a shout for spurring more first dates. Economic woes, it seems, unleash something practically primal in many of us who find ourselves without a partner: a hard-wired desire for companionship. Some singles are now hunting for dates with the same fervor others are showing hunting for jobs. On matchmaking Web site eHarmony.com, membership is up 20 percent despite monthly fees of up to \$60, and activity has soared 50 percent since September at OkCupid.com. It's not just the frequency of our dates that's changing

— it's also the people we're choosing to spend time with. "They're looking for something that's genuine in a world that isn't very secure," said Bathsbea Birman, co-founder of the Chicago dating event Nerds at Heart. "With headlines full of why you can't trust established institutions that you thought you could ... people are re-examining their own values." Attendance at the monthly gatherings, where mostly young professionals pay \$25 for a drink and a chance to spend the evening clustered around trivia and board games — was more than double expectations in April and has stayed high since. "Misery loves company,

especially if the prospect of romance and or sex looms large," said Craig Kinsley, a neurologist at the University of Richmond. "Really, dating, rather than being considered as expensive, can be a thrilling and inexpensive distraction. Like getting drunk without the wallet-hit or hangover." Kinsley said stomach-fluttering first dates also release brain chemicals that can temporarily erase worries, even about 401(k)s and layoffs and falling portfolios and upside-down mortgages. Still, Sam Yagan, the founder and CEO at OkCupid.com, sees the changing dating climate as a matter of dollars and cents. The way he figures it, a

man can spend \$100 buying drinks at a bar trying to pick up a stranger and leave with little more than a cold shoulder. But, when he's in a relationship, a Saturday evening can be as simple as Thai noodle takeout, Netflix and some fun under the covers. All in all, Yagan said, that's "more bang for your buck." It's more than just the recession. Experts say changes in behavior can relate to other world events — with upticks when news is bad. Last fall, comparing periods when the stock market fell more than 100 points and when it rose by the same amount, eHarmony found more members searched for matches when the financial news was grim.



Jennifer Stewart, of Brooklyn Heights, N.Y., and the national winner of the Statue of Liberty centennial look-alike contest, stands in front of the Statue of Liberty in New York, Saturday. AP photo

## Crown

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tried desperately to score two of the limited tickets to visit the crown when they went on sale June 13, a few weeks after Ken Salazar, the U.S. secretary of the Interior, announced plans to reopen it. Only this week did Weisinger get his tickets, along with two additional ones for a couple of friends who blocked the top of the winding stairway to give him the time — and space — to kneel properly and ask Breder for her hand. "It's a very small spot," Weisinger said later as he and Breder emerged hand-in-hand from the statue after being in the first group of 30 visitors to climb all 354 steps to the crown. All 30 were given green, foam Statue of Liberty crowns to wear on their heads as they made the laborious climb. All bore cameras. Some toted children. One woman brought her inhaler, and used it. Weisinger carried a diamond ring. Advocates of the reopening and visitors said it was a sign of the nation's and New York's efforts to put behind fears of the past and celebrate a new era by making it possi-

ble once again for people to visit the 'most famous U.S. symbol of liberty. From the crown's small windows, people can look out at the pathway that carried immigrant-laden ships into America and unloaded 12 million people, including Weisinger's great-grandparents, onto Ellis Island from 1892 to 1954. "It really represents an inclusiveness, to be able to perceive the world through Miss Liberty's crown," said Jennifer Stewart, who was dressed as the Statue of Liberty, from her green-painted skin to the green-tinted items in her green handbag. Stewart won a national Statue of Liberty look-alike contest in 1986 in celebration of the centennial of the statue, and since then has made her living traveling the world appearing as Miss Liberty. "Symbolically, this is so remarkable in terms of our psyche," she said of the crown's reopening. The decision to reopen the crown was seen as part of President Barack Obama's effort to move away from the Bush administration's post-9/11 rigidity, which critics said hardened outsiders to

America and tarnished the country's image as a welcoming beacon. The entire statue was closed to the public after the attacks and remained shuttered until 2004, when visitors were permitted to enter the pedestal and gaze at the view from its base. National Parks officials said the statue itself remained closed because the cramped, double-helix stairway did not meet fire safety standards, a concern underscored by the deaths of hundreds of people who died as they slowly tried to make their way down the stairs at the World Trade Center. The stairway is about 19 inches wide, making it virtually impossible to turn back once you're on the way up because of the inevitable line of people snaking their way up behind you. The decision to reopen came after higher handrails were added and new security rules were imposed. Now, only 10 people at a time will be allowed into the crown, and visitors must clear stringent, airport-like security procedures that include passing through sensors designed to detect explosives.

## Obama

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in an Associated Press interview Thursday that he was off to a good start with Russian President Dmitry Medvedev. But, Obama added, Vladimir Putin — Medvedev's predecessor and the current prime minister — "still has a lot of sway in Russia." Obama has separate meetings with them. "I think Putin has one foot in the old ways of doing business and one foot in the new," Obama said in the interview. Putin responded Friday by poking fun at Obama's imagery and saying the new U.S. president is wrong about him. A Putin spokesman said Obama would change his mind after meeting Putin. "Putin knows that, given Medvedev's position, he's the guy who deals with foreign leaders," said Stephen Sestanovich, a Russian expert at the Council on Foreign Relations. "But Putin wants to find ways of reminding everybody who's really in charge. And I don't doubt that he will find ways of doing that." The rhetoric leading up to the summit reflects the com-

plex relationship between the countries. Putting down a friendly marker of his own before Obama shows up, Medvedev noted that conditions had worsened in recent years but now there is "only one road to follow — the road of agreement." Obama expects to emerge from Moscow with a framework for how the U.S. and Russia will go about reducing their stockpile of nuclear warheads. He and Medvedev stated their intentions toward that goal in April during a London meeting that had both leaders talking of a fresh start. Any tangible progress now will be held up as proof of better U.S.-Russia ties, and a step toward broader cooperation on ridding the world of nuclear arms. Yet there is harder work ahead to determine how many weapons both sides will give up and how those steps will be verified. Both sides hope to have a final deal in place before a current treaty expires in December. And still unclear is whether Russia will insist on linking its weapons reduction to an issue it says is related — U.S.

plans to build a missile defense system in Europe. Obama plans to give a major address on U.S.-Russia relations and meet with a range of civic leaders, hoping to turn around Russian attitudes of the U.S. "I think that there have been times over the last several years where U.S.-Russia relations were not as strong as they should be," Obama told state-owned Russia TV. "What I have said coming in is I want to press the restart button on relations between the United States and Russia." In Italy, the G-8 site was moved from a deluxe seaside resort in Sardinia to a military school in L'Aquila, where an earthquake in April killed 300 and displaced tens of thousands. Italy shifted the summit there to draw attention to the plight of the victims. Obama is expected to get a personal look at some of the damage. A powerful aftershock hit the town Friday, just days ahead of the leaders' arrival. The international summit will center on the recession but is expected to produce more of a recovery progress

report than new policy. Iran, climate change, food security in Africa, Middle East peace and trade also are on the agenda. Obama will meet the pope on Friday. The president said he has a policy agenda in mind, including such matters as global poverty, but made clear that "having a meeting with the Holy Father is a great honor, and something that I'm very much looking forward to." The president caps the trip in Ghana, a West African country that has emerged as a standout example of democracy in a region beset by coups. He will speak to parliament, emphasizing the promise of democratic governance, and tour a castle that once served as a hub of slave trading. As he embarks on this fifth foreign trip of his presidency, Obama's approval rating hovers around a strong 60 percent. Awaiting him upon his return will be the start of Senate hearings on his Supreme Court nominee, Sonia Sotomayor, and intensifying legislative debate over his push to overhaul health care.

## Killer

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Blanton said all the victims were shot, but he would not say how the deaths were linked. The shootings all occurred within about 10 miles of each other in Cherokee County, a rural community of 54,000 people set amid peach orchards and farms some 50 miles west of Charlotte, N.C. The spree had alarmed residents canceling Independence Day holiday plans and arming themselves. The sheriff has warned door-to-door salesmen to stop knocking and anyone who breaks down on the county's rural roads to wait instead of walking to a house for help because he worries "people are going to start shooting at shadows." The killings began a week ago Saturday when the wife of 63-year-old peach farmer Kline Cash found him dead in their home. Then last Wednesday, relatives found 83-year-old Hazel Linder and her 50-year-old daughter, Gena Linder Parker, bound and shot to death in a separate shooting at Linder's home. Dozens of local, state and federal investigators were assigned to the case when the killings were linked. But a day later, the killer struck again, less than a half-mile from the sheriff's office serving as the headquarters for the investigation, killing 48-year-old Stephen Tyler and his daughter. "We're knee-deep in the investigation," Blanton said Sunday. "There's fear and concern here and there should be concern." Investigators have released a sketch of the suspect, saying he is in his 40s, with salt and pepper hair, about 6-foot-2, and roughly 200 pounds. They think he is driving a silver 1991-1994 Ford Explorer.

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## Edward Phillip Schenk

Edward Phillip Schenk, 85, died Wednesday, July 1, 2009 at his home in Twin Falls of Parkinson's Disease.

He was born Sept. 1, 1923, to Phillip and Rosina Pfeiffle Schenk in Rupert, Idaho. Ed attended Rupert schools and graduated in 1942 from Rupert High School. He enlisted in the Army and served in the European Theatre in WWII. He spent three years in the worst of battles, receiving two Bronze Stars for heroic actions and two Purple Hearts for being severely wounded in combat. After the war, he enrolled in Albion College and married his childhood sweetheart, Dorothy Saylor, in Rupert. He then attended and graduated from Utah State University where he received scholarships and played college basketball. Ed traveled to many places with his team to play, including Madison Square Garden in New York City. After graduating, he taught and coached basketball in Shelley, Idaho. He continued his education at Idaho State University and then attended the University of Oregon where he received education specialist degrees. He taught in many different places, especially Baker, Ore., and he was always the coach as well.

In 1957, he moved to Buhl, Idaho and in 1960 he coached football and they won the Idaho State Football Championship. In 1960, his daughter was born. In 1965, he purchased a farm in Rupert and became Vice Principal of Minico for 12 years. Then Ed became the superintendent of Castleford Schools and then Bliss Schools. At this time he suffered a heart attack and retired from teaching. Ed was a tremendous teacher and benefited many children's lives.



Dorothy passed away in 1989 and his daughter, Kristie, passed away in 1992. In 1999, Ed met Lois Standley and on Jan. 1, 2000, they were married in Twin Falls, Idaho. For ten years, they spent many happy times traveling and enjoying life together.

Ed is survived by his loving wife, Lois, of Twin Falls, grandson, Dustin Barbagelato of Sparks, Nev., two brothers, Art Schenk and Ray Schenk, both of Wendell, and many nieces and nephews. Also surviving are his stepsons, Dr. David Standley of Sun Valley, Idaho, Larry Standley of Boise, Idaho, grandsons, Chris Standley of Kenai, Ark., Brian Standley of Pasadena, Calif., and Eric Standley of Boise. Ed also raised three of his nephews, Ron Saylor of Alabama, Greg Mullin of Idaho and Doug Saylor of Sacramento.

He was preceded in death by his parents, his wife, Dorothy, his daughter, Kristie, and eight of his nine siblings.

Funeral services will be held Tuesday, July 7, 2009, at 11 a.m. at the Rupert United Methodist Church in Rupert. Interment will be held following services at the Mar Cemetery in Rupert. Visitation will be held from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. the morning of services at the church.

All arrangements and services are under the direction of the Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home of Twin Falls. In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made to the Idaho Youth Ranch.

## Elma Jean (EJ) Christiansen

Elma Jean Nielson Christiansen, 89, beloved wife, mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, sister, aunt, caregiver, and friend, passed away June 25 in Boise, Idaho, after a long, exemplary life.

She was born in Fairfield, Idaho, on March 3, 1920, the first child born to Jane and Elmer Nielson, and spent her childhood summers on Camas Prairie at the family's ranch at Fir Grove. She started school in the one room Manard schoolhouse in Fairfield and often rode a horse to school with her sister Fae. She later attended school in Wendell and graduated from Wendell High School in 1938 where she excelled in academics, basketball and drama.

EJ attended Albion State Normal School, where she obtained her teaching certificate, and taught school in Bliss for several years. She married Howard (Christy) Christiansen, an Albion classmate and fellow teacher, on July 21, 1943, in Pensacola, Fla. They remained in Florida until Christy was discharged from the Navy at the end of World War II. The couple then returned to Idaho, living first in Wendell and later moving to Gooding in 1958 where she maintained a home until her death. In addition to raising a family, EJ was the primary caregiver for her husband who was paralyzed in an automobile accident in 1953. His remarkable survival and longevity after three years of hospitalization were, in large part, due to Elma Jean's love, devotion and resolve.

Elma Jean had a life-long curiosity and interest in many areas, including reading, art, knitting and needlepoint. Her handmade sweaters are still worn and admired by family and friends. She was an avid bowler and golfer, active in



leagues and a member of the Gooding Country Club. Once when she couldn't get in a bowling league, her response was typical EJ — she started her own league. EJ was active in PEO for many years and supported the group's educational mission.

She never outgrew her love for Fir Grove and Camas Prairie and loved spending summers with Christy and her family at their cabin at Smoky Bar, north of Fairfield. For seventeen years, she and Christy escaped the Idaho winter in Yuma, becoming "snowbirds" along with numerous old friends and neighbors. Her many admirers will remember her quick wit, amazing memory, brilliant conversation, loyalty to family and friends, and her unconditional love. She will be greatly missed.

EJ is survived by her sons, David and Tom (Janet) of Boise and three grandchildren: Laura and her husband Scott Jackson of Boise; Daniel and his wife Jenny Bermant of Dumfries, Va.; and Jennifer and her husband Webster O'Brien of Arlington, Mass. She leaves behind seven great-grandchildren: Bennett and Wilson O'Brien; Noah and Lucas Jackson; and Jennifer, Connor, and Jodie Bermant. She is also survived by two sisters, Carol Sagers of Burley and Fae Williams of Jerome. She was preceded in death by her husband, Christy; two infant sons, Jack and Kenneth; and by her parents; one sister, Donna Nielsen-Kydd; and her daughter-in-law, Roberta Woolever.

A memorial service will be held at 4 p.m. Thursday, July 9 at the Gooding Country Club. Memorial contributions may be made to the PEO Chapter G Scholarship Fund, c/o Audra Wagner, 1970 E. 2000 S. Gooding, ID 83330.

## Viola Lafferty Sears

BURLEY — Viola Marie Lafferty Sears, age 75, of Burley, died Wednesday, July 1, 2009, at the Cassia Regional Medical Center in Burley.

She was born on March 23, 1934, in Burley, the daughter of Phoenix and Reva Woolsey Fullington. She received and completed her education in Burley. She married Clarence E. Lafferty in 1955 in Burley, and he preceded her in death.

Viola worked as a waitress for many years in the Mini-Cassia area and retired from the Burley Senior Citizen's Center. She enjoyed camping, fishing, waterskiing, crocheting and dancing. She loved her family and was a wonderful mother, grandmother, sister and friend. She was a member of the LDS Church.

Viola is survived by her children, Debra (Chris) Park of Burley, Kerry (Evanna) Flynn of Twin Falls, Michael (Deborah) Lafferty of Rupert, David (Suzanne) Lafferty of Vancouver, Wash., and Farrell "Kelly" (Tracy) Lafferty of Roy, Utah; her siblings, Phoenix



Fullington Jr. of Boise, Lois Farwell of Burley, Marva Allen of Newdale and Tom Hull of Rupert; 17 grandchildren; and 18 great-grandchildren; along with numerous nieces, nephews and step-grandchildren. In addition to her beloved husband, Clarence, she was preceded in death by her parents; a brother; a sister; one son; and one daughter.

The funeral will be held at 11 a.m. Tuesday, July 7, at the Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St. in Burley, where friends and family may call from 6 until 8 p.m. Monday, July 6, and one hour prior to the service on Tuesday. Burial will be in the Pleasant View Cemetery.

For obituary rates and information, call 735-3266 Monday through Saturday. Deadline is 3 p.m. for next-day publication. The e-mail address for obituaries is [obits@magicvalley.com](mailto:obits@magicvalley.com). Death notices are a free service and can be placed until 4 p.m. every day.

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## Thomas George Woodbury

PORTLAND, Ore. — Thomas George Woodbury, 66, died Sunday, May 24, 2009, at Hopewell Hospice in Portland, Ore.

He was born Feb. 7, 1943, in Laurence, Mass. Thomas was the oldest of eight children and the son of the late Alexander and Eleanor Thornhill Woodbury of Haverhill, Mass. SSG Thomas Woodbury served for 13 years in the Army; he was a proud infantryman, where he served with the prestigious Honor Guard in Washington, D.C., as well as the OP Force of National Training Center. Thomas, a patriot, was stationed in Germany and in Korea. Thomas later became a truck driver; he enjoyed

traveling in the nation he so proudly and faithfully defended!

Thomas is survived by his loving wife of 32 years, Mary Macias Woodbury; his loyal sons Santana and Martin Woodbury; his grandchildren, Seth, Tommy and Tye Woodbury. Thomas was the beloved brother of surviving siblings, Darlene Shellene, Dana and Mary Woodbury, Richard Woodbury, Scott Woodbury, Linda Grubbs, Diana Glynn and the late Donna Woodbury.

A memorial service was held at 3 p.m. Saturday, June 9, at the Church of Christ in Rupert. Thomas Woodbury received military honors courtesy of the Idaho National Guard.

## Wallace 'Wally' Young

HAILEY — Wallace "Wally" Young, 87, lifelong resident of Hailey, died Tuesday, June 30, 2009. He was born Aug. 23, 1921, in Heglar, Idaho, the son of Bruce and Clara Young.

Wally was raised in the Sawtooth Valley on the family homestead at Champion Creek. He attended school in Hailey, graduating from Hailey High School. He was extremely competitive and was a football, basketball and track star, but was always humble about his accomplishments. He won the Labor Day foot race every year until he was 75 years of age. He served in the army during World War II, earned the rank of sergeant, and received the European Theatre Ribbon, the Purple Heart, the Good Conduct Ribbon, the Combat Badge, three Battle Stars, Presidential Citation with Two Clusters, the French Croix de Guerre Somrgragere, the Silver Star and fought along side of Audie Murphy. He married LaVona Dickeson on Sept. 21, 1947, at the family home on Broadford Road in Hailey. Wally was a rancher and cowboy all his life. He was the owner of the Mint Bar in Hailey for more than thirty years. He was an avid horseback rider, hunter, fisherman, snowmobiler, golfer and bowler and loved playing horse shoes and pool at the Mint with his customers and lifelong friends.

Governor Cecil Andrus appointed him Wood River Rural Fire Commissioner in 1972. On Aug. 8, 1993, Engine 50 was dedicated to Wally in honor of his dedication and hard work. He was appointed deputy sheriff and was instrumental in creating the Blaine County Search and Rescue. He was active with the Hailey Rotary and Hailey Chamber of Commerce. He was dedicated to his community and family. Wally



was the Grand Marshall and received Founders Recognition for the Wagon Days Parade in Ketchum and the Grand Marshall for the 4th of July Parade twice. He served as president of the Days of the Old West events in Hailey and resurrected the shoot out, jamboree and barbecue with Roberta McKercher for the 4th of July. Along with Ted Uhrig and others, he started the Sawtooth Rangers, built the rodeo grounds, organized and participated in the rodeo. He loved the camaraderie and competition among horsemen.

His parents, three brothers Lawrence, Martin, and Robert, and his sister Hazel all preceded him in death. Wally's family includes his wife LaVona of Twin Falls; his daughter Tammy (Joe) Laragan, grandchildren Chelsea (Mike) and great grandchildren Tyson and Maria all of Boise, his son Scott (Denise) Young, grandchildren Levi, and Megan all of Hailey; his sister Cora (Ray) Roessler of Gooding; two sisters-in-law Alexis "Lex" (Martin) Young of Emmett, Idaho, and Fern (Robert) Young of Renton, Wash.; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Friends will remember him for two quotes: "Your word is your bond" and "Your horse doesn't want to fall anymore than you do". Services will be at 2 p.m., Tuesday, July 7, 2009, at St. Charles Catholic Church, with Rev. Shawn Carty of Emmanuel Episcopal Church officiating. Interment will follow in the Hailey Cemetery and a reception will be held at the Blaine County Senior Center.

A memorial fund has been established with the Alzheimer Foundation, 225 N. Michigan Avenue, Floor 17, Chicago, IL 60601 or [www.alzfdn.org](http://www.alzfdn.org). A Guest Book and Images Gallery are available at [www.woodriverchapel.com](http://www.woodriverchapel.com).

## SERVICES

**Laura Pearl Poulton** Horejs of Twin Falls, funeral at 10:30 a.m. Monday at the Twin Falls LDS 15th Ward Church on Hankins Road; visitation from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Sunday 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.

**M.A. "Mac" McKenney** of Jerome, funeral at 11 a.m. Monday at the Jerome LDS 1st Ward Chapel, 825 E. Ave. B; visitation 6 to 8 p.m. Sunday at Farnsworth Mortuary Chapel, 1343 S. Lincoln in Jerome and one hour before the service Monday at the church.

**Beth Holbrook Pearson** of Bountiful, Utah, funeral at 11 a.m. Monday at the Pella LDS Church, 400 S. 160 W. in Burley; visitation from 6 to 8 p.m. Sunday at Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St. in Burley, and from 10 to 10:45 a.m. Monday at the church.

**Joseph P. "Jack" Byrns** of Wendell, funeral at 1 p.m. Monday at Demaray's Wendell Chapel; visitation from noon until service time Monday at the chapel.

**Matthew Carl Hays**, formerly of the Wood River Valley, graveside service at 11 a.m. Tuesday at the Filer Cemetery in Filer; visitation from 5 to 8 p.m. Monday at

Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Road in Twin Falls.

**Elizabeth Miller** of Twin Falls and formerly of Wendell, celebration of life at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday at the Wendell Elementary School cafeteria.

**Zachary A. Baird (Davis)** of Castleford, celebration of life at 11 a.m. Tuesday at the Castleford High School gymnasium; visitation one hour before the service in the gym (Serenity Funeral Chapel in Twin Falls).

**Wally Young** of Hailey, funeral at 2 p.m. Tuesday at St. Charles Catholic Church in Hailey; visitation from 1 to 6 p.m. Monday and from 10 a.m. to noon Tuesday (Wood River Chapel in Hailey).

**Doris Jessie Ormesher Byerly** of Twin Falls, memorial service at 10:30 a.m. Friday at the Chadron Christian Church at Sixth and Ridgeview in Chadron, Neb. (Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home in Twin Falls).

**Dr. David M. Webster** of Twin Falls, celebration of life at 7 p.m. Friday at the Twin Falls Reformed Church, 1631 Grandview Drive N. in Twin Falls (Reynolds Funeral Chapel in Twin Falls).



## Clydie Parkin

Clydie Parkin, of Twin Falls, died, Saturday, July 4, 2009 at her home in Twin Falls, Idaho. Clydie was born April 25, 1926, in Jerome, Idaho to George and Cammie Reddick. She grew up in Jerome, where she met and married Harold McMillan. Together they had four children: Linda, Judy, Vicki and Stan. After her divorce from Harold, she moved to Twin Falls where she met and married Jerry Muegerl. Starting around 1965 they owned and operated the Klover Klub Lounge until their retirement. After Jerry's death in 2003, she married an old friend, Orin H. Parkin.

Clydie was always friendly and well liked by all that knew her. She had a smiling bubbly personality and touched many lives by her loving heart and incredible generosity. Her home was always open to many visitors who were greeted with a cup of coffee and fun, joking, laughing conversation. She regularly played pinochle and bridge with the "gals" which she enjoyed a great deal. She was very close to her family. Her parents, brothers, sisters and her children meant the world to her.

Clydie is survived by her husband Orin H., two daughters, Judy (Joe) Delgado, Vicki Peterson: one son, Stan (Sheree) McMillan, stepsons Larry and Richard Muegerl, her



brother Ellis Reddick, and sisters Velma McMillan and Verba Jewel.

She is also survived by many grand and great grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents, husbands Harold McMillan and Jerry Muegerl, daughter Linda Mullins, brothers Farris Reddick and Dexter Reddick, sisters Clarissa Lewis and Zella Kennison, grandson Scotty Peterson and stepson Rodney Muegerl.

The family would like to thank River Ridge Care and Rehabilitation Center and St. Luke's Magic Valley Medical Center, First Choice Hospice and Home Care for their excellent care and compassion and especially Dee Jacobson for her year of loving care and attention given to Clydie and also Julie Whitehead, the speech therapist.

Funeral services will be held at Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home on Wednesday, July 8th at 11 a.m.

A viewing will be held on Tuesday, July 7th at Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Rd. in Twin Falls, between 6 and 8 p.m., and also one hour prior to the service on Wednesday. Pastor Andy Morris will officiate the services. Interment will follow at the Jerome Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to a charity of your choice.

## Alan Waide Smith

BURLEY — Alan was not a traditional man, and therefore would not want a traditional obituary. He would want us to celebrate the moments we shared with him in his life and not mourn his death.

Alan Waide Smith was born on Jan. 19, 1947, and raised on a farm and dairy in the View area of Burley. He was the second of six children and the oldest son of Waide and Rhea Saxton Smith. Alan graduated from Burley High School in 1965. He was drafted into the United States Army right out of high school and served his country faithfully. He married his best friend, Bonnie Jarolimek, on Dec. 29, 1967. They began their life of adventures together with a honeymoon trip to their new home on Fort Richardson Army Base in Anchorage, Alaska.

Upon his release from the Army, Alan attended the College of Southern Idaho in Twin Falls, and received his associates degree in criminology. Alan loved law enforcement and served the people of Cassia County for 33 years as both a patrolman and a detective, ending his career as the head of investigations for the Sheriff's Department.

Someone once said, "Alan had a real way with people," and I can't think of a better way to honor him. He lived his life every day for the people he cared about and loved. He was a loyal friend and life partner. Whether team roping on the rodeo circuit, or traveling on the Centennial Wagon Train, he and Bonnie and their group of lifelong friends never missed out on a good adventure. He was an amazing father figure who taught not only his children, but other family members and friends about the values he was raised with — work hard and put others first. His grandchildren were the light of his life and will always carry with them the

memories that only Grandpa could create.

Alan is survived by his wife, Bonnie; his children, Stacy and Jeff Boothe and Josh Smith; and his grandchildren, Austin and Dallas Smith, Bailey Boothe and Aubry and Kennedy Poulton. He also leaves behind his father and mother, Waide and Rhea Smith; his mother-in-law, Gertrude Jarolimek; and all five of his brothers and sisters, Carolyn (Carl) Lowe, Janet (Niel) Christensen, Debra (James) Pearl, Connie (Gerry) Petersen, and Reid (Connie) Smith; and numerous family members, friends and neighbors whose life he touched.

We will miss you, Daddy. You were taken from us all way too soon. But, we will always remember what you taught us in the way you lived — that life really is all about "The Dance."

The funeral will be held at 2 p.m. Tuesday, July 7, at the View LDS Church, 550 S. 500 E., of Burley, with Bishop Blake Crockett officiating. Burial will be in the View Cemetery with military rites provided by the Mini-Cassia Veterans and Auxiliary.

Friends may call from 6 until 8 p.m. Monday at the Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St., Burley, and from 1 until 1:45 p.m. Tuesday at the church.

## Pansy Lee Miller Vinyard

JEROME — Pansy Lee Miller Vinyard, born in Kingsport, Tenn., Feb. 23, 1923, died July 2, 2009, in Boise, Idaho. She was preceded in death by her husband, Vernon Lee Vinyard, Jr. and their son Thomas Vernon. She is survived by her children, Cheryl V. Elhammoumi of Rocky Mount, N.C., Donna V. Jex of Boise and H. William Vinyard of Wallula, Wash., along with their families, her grandchildren, and great-grandchildren.

Well known as Pat in her hometown of Jerome, she will be remembered for her many contributions to the nation and her local community. Pat served in the U.S. Navy in the Pacific during World War II. As a long term member of the American Legion, she held a number of different offices, including first female Post Commander. She was a member of the First Baptist Church where she served as a Deaconess, and the children knew her as the Candy Lady or Grandma. Active in the local Order of the Eastern Star, she filled many roles, including Worthy Matron and some offices on the state level. Of course, she was famous throughout Magic Valley for her culinary talents. Patrons of the Rogerson Restaurant of

Twin Falls and the Magic Valley Café in Jerome will remember her and the fine meals she prepared. Many brides in the valley celebrated their weddings with Pat's beautiful cakes and catering touches.

After retirement, she took on a second career of teaching food preparation and restaurant management at the College of Southern Idaho. She inspired students to excellence. A number of her students won competitions for national and international hotel positions.

Pansy left a legacy of service and encouragement for family and friends who love and will miss her.

Services will be at the First Baptist Church, 308 1st Ave East, in Jerome on July 7, 2009, at 1 p.m. with Pastor Rudy Bauder officiating. Burial will follow at the Jerome Cemetery, with Eastern Star rites by the Twin Falls Chapter, and military rites by area veterans.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be sent to the Children's Day Care, at the First Baptist Church. Donations may be left at the church or given to funeral chapel staff.

Services are under the direction of Reynolds Funeral Chapel, PO Box 1142 Twin Falls, Idaho 83303-1142.

## Ruthmarie C. 'Corky' Slane

JOANNA, S.C. — Ruthmarie C. "Corky" Slane, age 78, of Joanna, S.C., died Saturday, June 27, 2009, at the Hospice of Laurens County Hospice House.

She was born in Saguache, Colo., and was a daughter of the late Roy H. and Ruth Hayes Clark. Mrs. Slane was a retired practical nurse, having worked for Drs. Blalock and Marshall, and was a member of the St. Boniface Catholic Church in Joanna, S.C., and St. Elizabeth Catholic Church in Gooding, Idaho.

She is survived by one daughter, Kimberly Ann (Harper) Huntley of Columbia, S.C.; two sis-

ters, Billie Sanderson of Aurora, Colo., and Suzanna E. Moates of Joanna, S.C.; and two grandchildren.

A memorial Mass will be held at 11 a.m. Friday, July 10, at the St. Boniface Catholic Church in Joanna, S.C. Burial will be in Hagerman, Idaho.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations to St. Boniface Church, 401 N. Main St., Joanna, SC 29351, or Hospice of Laurens County, P.O. Box 178, Clinton, SC 29325.

Condolences may be expressed to the family at [www.grayfuneralhome.com](http://www.grayfuneralhome.com). Arrangements are under the direction of Gray Funeral Home of Clinton, S.C.

## Benjamin Walter Slane

Benjamin Walter Slane, 94, Twin Falls died Saturday July 4, 2009, at Heritage Retirement Center.

He was born Feb. 8, 1915, in Lucerne, Wyo. to Minnie and John Chandler Slane. His twin brother, Everett, followed a few minutes later. They were partners for life. In 1937 Ben married Kathryn Lucille Shankle in Thermopolis, Wyo.

Two children were born to this union, Betty Dean Slane and Dennis Craig Slane. They were divorced in 1945. In 1956 Ben mar-

ried Beatrice Mills in Thermopolis, Wyo. They celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on May 5, 2006.

He was preceded in death by three

brothers and two sisters. He is survived by his wife Bea, daughter Betty, son Craig, stepson Dean Mills, stepdaughter Marcella Van Dusen, ten grandchildren and many great grandchildren. He will be missed by all who knew him. Burial will be in Monument Cemetery, Thermopolis, Wyo.

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## DEATH NOTICES

### Maribelle Matthews

MURTAUGH — Maribelle Taylor Matthews, 91, of Murtaugh, died Saturday, July 4, 2009, at her home.

The funeral is pending and will be announced by the Rasmussen Funeral Home of Burley.

Chapel in Jerome.

### Herschel Laney

BURLEY — Herschel Raymond Laney, 70, of Burley, died Friday, July 3, 2009, at his home.

The funeral is pending and will be announced by the Rasmussen Funeral Home of Burley.

### Rosalie White

JEROME — Rosalie White, 75, of Hagerman and formerly of Jerome, died Saturday, July 4, 2009 at the Gooding County Memorial Hospital.

Services are pending under the direction of Hove-Robertson Funeral

### Carolyn White

GOODING — Carolyn White, 82, a Gooding resident, died Friday, July 3, 2009 at her home in Gooding. Funeral arrangements are pending and will be announced by Demaray Funeral Service — Gooding Chapel.

## Ex-Beatles, Stones manager Klein dies

NEW YORK (AP) — Music manager Allen Klein, a no-holds-barred businessman who bulldozed his way into and out of deals with the Beatles and the Rolling Stones, died Saturday, a publicist for his company said. He was 77.

Klein, who was one of the most powerful figures in the music business in the 1960s but ended up feuding with some of his biggest clients,

died at his New York City home of Alzheimer's disease, said Bob Merlis, publicist for ABKCO Music & Records.

He became famous — and later infamous — for signing on the Rolling Stones and then the Beatles. Both arrangements eventually spurred lawsuits, with some Beatles fans blaming Klein for contributing to the tensions that broke up the group.

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A medic pours water on U.S. Marines from the 2nd Marine Expeditionary Brigade, 1st Battalion 5th Marines who were suffering from heat exhaustion after walking for miles with heavy packs in Afghanistan's Helmand province Saturday. Both men recovered and were able to continue.

## Marines march in grueling Afghan sun for July Fourth

By Jason Straziuo  
Associated Press writer

NAWA, Afghanistan — Taliban militants were nowhere in sight as the columns of U.S. Marines walked a third straight day across southern Afghanistan. But the desert heat proved an enemy in its own right, with several troops falling victim Saturday to temperatures topping 100 degrees Fahrenheit.

The Marines carry 50-100 pounds on their backs. But because they are marching through farmland on foot, they can't carry nearly as much water as their thirst demands.

Few even realized the date was July 4, but once word of the holiday spread through the company, several said they knew relatives would be holding lakeside celebrations — a world away from the strenuous task Bravo Company of the 1st Battalion, 5th Marine Regiment was taking on.

"Happy 4th of July, dawg. Happy America," said Lance Corp. Vince Morales, 21, of Baytown, Texas said to one of his Marine buddies while resting under a tree during a break.

Some Marines ate watermelon from a farmer's field as the evening sun set, but there were few other signs of a holiday celebration here.

Some 4,000 Marines are moving through southern Helmand to take back Taliban-held territory and pinch the insurgents' supply lines. Bravo Company has seen a lot of walking but up to now little fighting, though other Marines in the operation have had extended battles.

So far, the worst danger facing Bravo is the heat. Temperatures are well above 100 degrees, and medics treated several heat casualties Saturday.

"When (body) temperature goes up past 104, your brain starts cooking, and that's what we're trying to prevent," said Simon Trujillo, an HM3 Navy Medic from Dallas.

The high heat, heavy packs, limited water and three straight days of walking through tough farmland terrain were taking a toll, he said. Several Marines threw up or were dry-heaving from the heat. Three passed out, and other Marines rushed to share the weight and pour water on overheated bodies.

"It's pretty taxing on your body. There's no way to prepare for this," said Trujillo.

One cruel irony: A helicopter dropped off a load of water to the Marines early Saturday, but because they hadn't yet reached their final destination, they took only what they could carry and left hundreds of bottles behind for Afghan villagers to drink.

The sun in southern Helmand is blazing by 8 a.m., and the troops seek out any sliver of shade available. Trees grow along the many manmade water canals the farmers use to survive here, but there is little relief elsewhere.

Sweat pours off faces as Marines shift heavy weapons from one shoulder to the other. Everyone still carries all the ammunition they arrived with in the dark hours of early Thursday, because this unit has not yet exchanged fire.

The Marines walk in columns down dusty dirt roads, and every couple dozen steps they bend over at the waist to give aching shoulders a break. During frequent breaks, medics go up and down the line, looking to see if their men are drinking water.

## Opposition candidate in Iran details fraud allegations

By Thomas Erdbrink  
The Washington Post

TEHRAN, Iran — Mir Hossein Mousavi, the leading opposition candidate in last month's disputed election, released documents Saturday detailing a campaign of alleged fraud by supporters of President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad that assured his re-election, while an adviser to Iran's supreme leader accused Mousavi of treason.

Hossein Shariatmadari, a special adviser to Ayatollah Ali Khamenei, accused Mousavi of being a "foreign agent" working for the United States and a member of a "fifth column" determined to topple Iran's Islamic system of governance. The accusation of treason was the highest and most direct issued by an Iranian official since the June 12 election.

Many in Iran say that government forces are laying the groundwork for arresting Mousavi, who has not been seen in public in more than a week.

In a 24-page document posted on his Web site, Mousavi's special committee studying election fraud accused influential Ahmadinejad supporters of handing out cash bonuses and food, increasing wages, printing millions of extra ballots and other acts in the run-up to the vote.

The committee, whose members were appointed by Mousavi, said the state did everything in its power to get Ahmadinejad reelected, including using military forces and government planes to support his campaign.

The disputed election led to massive demonstrations in the streets of Tehran as the opposition demanded that the results be annulled.

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## Attack on U.S. base in Afghanistan kills 2 soldiers

By M. Karim Faiez and Laura King  
Los Angeles Times

KABUL, Afghanistan — Insurgents armed with rockets, mortars and a truck bomb staged an unusual frontal attack on a U.S. base in eastern Afghanistan on Saturday, killing two American soldiers and forcing the defenders to call in airstrikes to avoid being overrun.

The assault, which came as thousands of American troops were taking part in an anti-Taliban offensive hundreds of miles away in the south of Afghanistan, pointed up the insurgents' ability to take the fight to a location of their choosing — in this case a remote outpost in Paktika province, which borders Pakistan's tribal areas.

The incident also illustrated militant groups' continuing capability to stage sophisticated, multi-pronged attacks in Afghanistan's eastern border zone, despite the Pakistani army's efforts in recent weeks to rein in insurgents who use the tribal areas in Pakistan as a staging ground.

Saturday's attack on a small base in Zerok district, which lasted several hours, took place in the same area where a U.S. soldier disappeared Tuesday. The U.S. military said two days later that the missing man was believed to have been captured. A search is under way.

American military officials said "several" U.S. soldiers were wounded in addition to the two killed in the base attack, but declined to provide a more precise figure. Military officials said at least 10 insur-

gents were killed in counterstrikes by U.S. and Afghan troops, including artillery fire and airstrikes by assault helicopters. A spokesman for the governor of Paktika province, however, put the number of militants killed at more than 30.

The attackers fired at least one shell containing white phosphorus, a highly incendiary agent, NATO's International Security Assistance Force said in a statement. Western military officials have accused insurgents of using white phosphorus in several previous attacks.

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# McNair found dead

## Former NFL star quarterback had gunshot wound

By Kristin M. Hall  
Associated Press writer

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — Former NFL quarterback Steve McNair was shot multiple times, including once in the head, and a pistol was discovered near the body of the 20-year-old woman found dead with him Saturday in a downtown condominium.

Nashville police spokesman Don Aaron identified the woman as Sahel Kazemi, whom he called a "friend" of McNair's. She had a single gunshot wound to the head.

Police said the 36-year-old McNair was found on the sofa in the living room, and Kazemi was very close to him on the floor. Aaron said the gun was not "readily apparent" when police first arrived.

Autopsies were planned for today.

Aaron said McNair's wife, Mechelle, is "very distraught."

"At this juncture, we do not believe she is involved," he said. "Nothing has been ruled out, but as far as actively looking for a suspect tonight, the answer would be no."

The bodies were discovered

Saturday afternoon by McNair's longtime friend Wayne Neeley, who said he rents the condo with McNair.

Aaron said Neeley told authorities he went into the condo, saw McNair on the sofa and Kazemi on the floor but walked first into the kitchen before going back into the living room, where he saw the blood.

Neeley then called a friend, who alerted authorities.

Police said a witness saw McNair

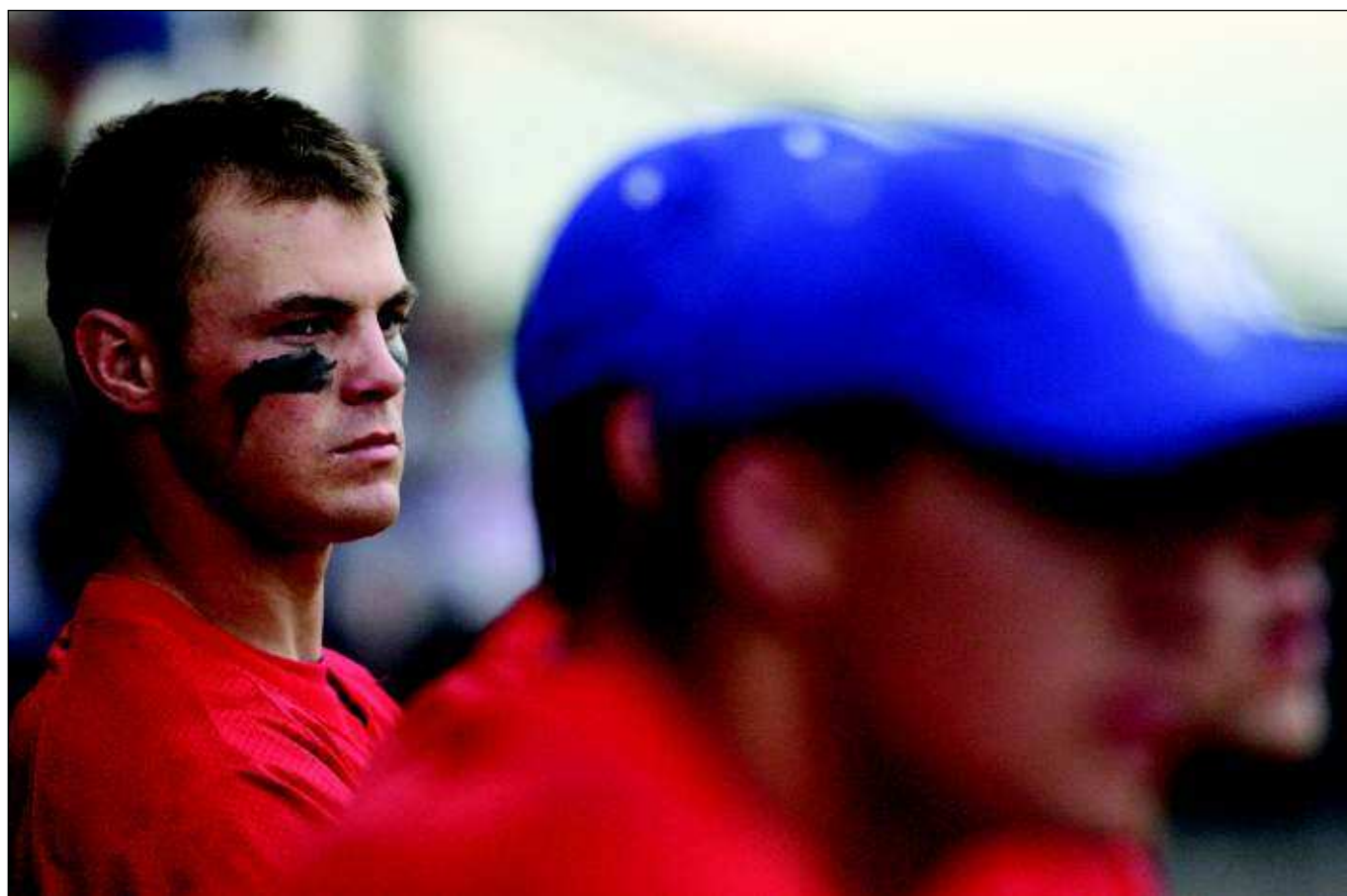
See **MCNAIR**, Sports 4



Tennessee Titans quarterback Steve McNair leaves the field after the team's 27-12 win over the New Orleans Saints on Sept. 21, 2003, in Nashville, Tenn. McNair, was found dead on Saturday from a gunshot wound to the head.

AP photo

# Rain still plays havoc



Twin Falls second baseman Braden Box looks on with teammates during the Cowboys' at bats Friday evening at Bill Ingram Field in Twin Falls. That game was suspended due to rain and resumed Saturday morning, but the resulting logjam of games sent pool play continuing into this morning.

MEAGAN THOMPSON/  
Times-News



Serena Williams celebrates after winning match point against sister Venus Williams in the Wimbledon ladies' singles final on Saturday.

AP photo

# Serena tops sister

## Williamses also retain doubles crown

By Howard Fendrich  
Associated Press writer

WIMBLEDON, England — Serena Williams kept telling herself she was facing just another foe in the Wimbledon final Saturday, just another woman who hits the ball quite hard, just another player trying to deny her a Grand Slam title.

She wasn't facing just anyone, of course. She was playing her older sister Venus. And when the latest all-Williams final finished, when Serena wrapped up a 7-6 (3), 6-2 victory for a third Wimbledon

See **WIMBLEDON**, Sports 4

### Today at Wimbledon

Men's final: (2) Roger Federer vs. (6) Andy Roddick  
7 a.m., NBC

## Cowboys win suspended game, second game postponed to today

Times-News

Even when there wasn't the slightest threat of rain, the weather still caused havoc at the Cowboy Classic tournament at Bill Ingram Field in Twin Falls.

The host Cowboys won their suspended game early Saturday morning 10-9 over the Lethbridge Spitz Elks when Zeb Sneed singled home Remington Pullin in the bottom of the 10th inning. But the mere fact that the game was held over from Friday night, combined with it going extra innings upon being resumed, affected the final scheduled game for Saturday.

What it amounts to is that Twin Falls is through to

the semifinal round with one game to play, but will play at least twice today, three times if it reaches the tournament's championship game.

The Cowboys and Mountain View will play the final pool-play game of the tournament this morning at 9 a.m., and then will play at either 11:30 a.m. or 2 p.m., depending on its result in that game.

According to tournament tiebreaking procedures, Twin Falls must shut Mountain View out to claim the No. 1 seed and play at 2 p.m., otherwise the Cowboys will be the No. 2 seed and play at 11:30 a.m.

The tournament championship will be held at 4:30 p.m.

### 2009 COWBOY CLASSIC WOOD BAT TOURNAMENT

At Bill Ingram Field, Twin Falls		Today's games		
<b>Wednesday's game</b>		<b>Pool play</b>		
Twin Falls 8, Triple Play 4		Twin Falls vs. Mountain View, 9 a.m.		
<b>Thursday's games</b>		<b>Bracket play</b>		
Triple Play 7, Pocatello 4		No. 2 vs. No. 3, 11:30 a.m.		
Mountain View 4, Pocatello 1		No. 1 vs. No. 4, 2 p.m.		
Centennial 6, Lethbridge 5		Championship, 4:30 p.m.		
Walla Walla 2, Boise 1				
Twin Falls 3, Walla Walla 2				
<b>Friday's games</b>		<b>Standings</b>		
Centennial 4, Triple Play 2		Team	W	L
Centennial 4, Walla Walla 1		*Centennial	4	0
Boise 8, Pocatello 0		*Twin Falls	3	0
Lethbridge 13, Mountain View 7		Boise	2	2
<b>Saturday's games</b>		Triple Play	2	2
Twin Falls 10, Lethbridge 9, 10 innings		Walla Walla	2	2
Boise 10, Lethbridge 0		Mountain View	1	2
Triple Play 8, Boise 7		Lethbridge	1	3
Centennial 8, Pocatello 7		Pocatello	0	4
Walla Walla 6, Mountain View 3		* - denotes clinched semifinal berth		

## MVS RESULTS

# Evans 'dynamite' in Rocky Mountain Challenge Series win

By Linda Brittsan  
Times-News correspondent

John Dillon was the fastest qualifier but veteran driver Garrett Evans came away with the win in the Pepsi Firecracker 125 Friday night at Magic Valley Speedway.

Eddy McKean took the lead of the field of 20 entrants right off the bat but his run was short-lived as

Bruce Quale moved ahead at Lap 7. Quale then took Lap 7. Quale then took charge of the race until Lap 55 when Evans gained control for the remainder of the event.

The caution flag came out at Laps 60 and 91, bunching up the field for the restart but Evans was able to keep the competition in check both times and distance himself from the field. Evans



LINDA BRITTSAN/For the Times-News

Garrett Evans took the lead at Lap 55 of the Pepsi Firecracker 125 Friday night at Magic Valley Speedway and went on to capture the win in the Rocky Mountain Challenge Series race.

crossed the finish line 4.429 seconds over runner-up Jeff Jefferson at the checkered flag.

"It took us a little bit to get

it dialed in tonight," Evans said. "We qualified as good as we were going to but once

See **MVS**, Sports 2

## Stewart wins at Daytona after last-lap wreck

By Jenna Fryer  
Associated Press writer



DAYTONA BEACH, Fla. — Tony Stewart led lap after lap around Daytona International Speedway, using a flawless pit-road performance to inch closer to his second win as owner of his race team.

Then Kyle Busch slid outside in a last-lap bid to snatch the victory away from his former teammate.

The frantic 2.5-mile chase Saturday night led to a violent wreck that

sent Busch sailing into the wall while Stewart skirted by for a somber victory.

Stewart celebrated Saturday night with a bit of heartache. Busch left the speedway with a definite headache.

Just another wild restrictor-plate finish for NASCAR, which is still smarting from April's frightening crash at Talladega Superspeedway, where Carl Edwards went

See **NASCAR**, Sports 2



# T.F. tops Seminoles at Pepsi tourney

Times-News

Tucker Donnelley was 3-for-4 with four RBIs and Zayne Sloten went 4-for-5 with two doubles and three runs scored as the Twin Falls Cowboys American Legion Baseball Class A team ended pool play at the Pepsi Wood Bat Classic in Boise with a 10-6 win over the Boise Seminoles.

The Cowboys piled on the runs early, leading 8-1 after four innings. Boise scored five times in the bottom of the seventh to make the

game close.

Twin Falls also beat the Boise Senators 15-9 late Friday night.

The Cowboys went 3-2 at the tournament and were left waiting for a late evening result to go their way if they were to advance to today's bracket play. Results from the game between the Boise Capitals and Greater Nevada weren't available at press time.

**Twin Falls 10, Boise Seminoles 6**  
Twin Falls 233.202.0-10.13.1  
Boise 000.100.5-6.82

Casey Merritt, Garrett Basham (7), Sam Eller (7) and Tucker Donnelley; Parkvold and Austin. W: Merritt. L: Parkvold.  
Extra-base hits - 2B: Twin Falls, Zayne Sloten 2, Donnelley; Boise, Van der Wal, Abel, Hendricks. 3B: Twin Falls, Merritt.

## Rugby

### USA 12, CANADA 6

Flyhalf Mike Hercus scored three penalties and a drop-goal as the United States national rugby union team took a 12-6 victory over Canada in the first half of their two-leg Rugby World Cup qualifier in Charleston, S.C., on Saturday.

Jerome lock John Van der

Giessen picked up his seventh cap (appearance) in the Eagles' victory.

The second leg is set for next Saturday in Edmonton, Alberta. The winner over two legs qualifies directly for the 2011 World Cup in New Zealand, while the loser plays a home-and-home with Uruguay for the Americas' second qualifying berth.

Fellow regional side Argentina qualified automatically based on its performance at the 2007 World Cup in France.

# U.S. routs Grenada 4-0 in Gold Cup

## HONDURAS 1, HAITI 0

SEATTLE — The United States returned home from the FIFA Confederations Cup and used one of its youngest lineups in recent memory to rout Grenada 4-0 Saturday night as it opened the title defense in the regional championship of North and Central America and the Caribbean, the CONCACAF Gold Cup.

Freddy Adu scored the opening goal in the seventh minute and Stuart Holden doubled the lead in the 31st, both fed by Robbie Rogers.

Rogers scored in the 60th minute and Charlie Davies, one of the few players kept on from the Confederations Cup, got the final goal in the 68th.

The 12th-ranked Americans, seeking their third straight Gold Cup title, outshot No. 88 Grenada 25-3.

SEATTLE — Carlo Costly headed in a free kick by Walter Martinez in the 76th minute on Saturday, helping Honduras open group play in the CONCACAF Gold Cup with a 1-0 victory over Haiti.

Martinez took the free kick from the left of the penalty area about 2 yards up from the goal line. He drove it into the box, and Costly went up and flicked it off the left side of his head and into right corner of the net, well beyond the reach of Haiti goalkeeper Jean Dominique Zephirin.

Honduras will take on the United States next Wednesday in Washington, D.C., in the second of its three Group B games. Haiti will play Grenada, also next Wednesday in Washington.

— The Associated Press

# Manny homers but Dodgers fall

SAN DIEGO — Manny Ramirez's first home run since returning from a 50-game drug suspension wasn't enough to help Los Angeles overcome Everth Cabrera's three RBIs as the San Diego Padres beat the Dodgers 7-4 on Saturday.

Ramirez homered in his second game and fifth plate appearance back. It was his seventh homer of the season and 534th of his career, tying Jimmie Foxx for 16th on the all-time list. Up next is Mickey Mantle with 536.

San Diego scored three runs in the seventh inning and added three unearned runs in the eighth.

## BREWERS 11, CUBS 2

CHICAGO — Rookie Casey McGehee had a career high four hits and five RBIs to help the Brewers pound Rich Harden and the Cubs.

Mike Cameron and J.J. Hardy also went deep to back a solid effort by Braden Looper (7-4). But McGahee delivered his best performance against the organization that let him go during the offseason.

## GIANTS 9, ASTROS 0

SAN FRANCISCO — Tim Lincecum ran his career-best scoreless innings streak to 23 in winning his third straight start and also scored the first run in the Giants' victory over the Astros.

The reigning NL Cy Young Award winner struck out nine and allowed three hits with two walks in seven innings. Lincecum has gone 18 consecutive innings without allowing a baserunner past second.

## PHILLIES 4, METS 1

PHILADELPHIA — Jamie Moyer pitched neatly into the seventh inning, Jimmy Rollins hit a two-run double and the Phillies beat the Mets.

The 46-year-old Moyer (7-6) tied Carl Hubbell for 42nd on the all-time list with his 253rd career win.

## NATIONALS 5, BRAVES 3

WASHINGTON — Atlanta's Tommy Hanson extended his scoreless innings streak to 26 before Adam Dunn's 300th career homer and the Nationals rallied for four eighth-inning runs and a victory over the Braves.

## REDS 5, CARDINALS 2

CINCINNATI — Micah



Los Angeles Dodgers left fielder Manny Ramirez connects for a solo home run off of San Diego Padres pitcher Josh Geer during the first inning of Saturday's game in San Diego.

AP photo

Owings homered and pitched into the seventh inning to help the Reds beat the Cardinals.

Joey Votto also homered and drove in two runs and Willy Taveras had three hits to help lift the Reds to their third win in their last four games.

## MARLINS 5, PIRATES 3

MIAMI — Hanley Ramirez homered and Andrew Miller pitched effectively into the seventh inning, leading the Marlins to a victory over the Pirates.

Emilio Bonifacio had four hits and scored twice for Florida, which has won four of five. Dan Meyer pitched a scoreless ninth to earn his second save.

## American League

### YANKEES 6, BLUE JAYS 5, 12 INNINGS

NEW YORK — Jorge Posada hit a game-winning RBI single in the 12th inning to lift the New York Yankees to victory.

With one out and runners on first and second, Posada lined a 1-1 pitch from Shawn Camp into center field. Alex Rodriguez scored without a

play as the Yankees poured out of the dugout to congratulate Posada near first base.

## MARINERS 3, RED SOX 2

BOSTON — Chris Woodward's bases-loaded pop up in the ninth inning dropped behind a partially draw-in infield to score the go-ahead run and lift the Mariners over the Red Sox.

Jason Varitek hit a two-run homer for Boston, which also lost Friday's series opener. The Red Sox had won their previous seven series overall. It was just their third series loss in their last 12 in Fenway Park.

## ROYALS 6, WHITE SOX 4

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — Alberto Callaspo drove in three runs and the Kansas City Royals eclipsed their run total from their previous four games in a victory over the White Sox that snapped Chicago's seven-game winning streak.

Callaspo hit an RBI triple off Gavin Floyd (6-6) in the fifth for Kansas City's first run in 13 innings. His two-run single off Matt Thornton in the fifth made it 5-4 and gave the Royals their first

lead in 38 innings.

## TWINS 4, TIGERS 3

MINNEAPOLIS — Justin Morneau had four hits, including a homer and the tying single in the seventh inning, and the Twins came back to beat the Tigers.

## INDIANS 5, ATHLETICS 2

CLEVELAND — Carl Pavano earned his first win in five starts, helping the Indians to a victory over the Athletics.

Ben Francisco and Grady Sizemore hit homers off Vin Mazzaro (2-4) for Cleveland, which won consecutive games for the first time since June 11-12.

## RANGERS 12, RAYS 4

ARLINGTON, Texas — Andruw Jones homered and drove in four runs, Michael Young added a three-run double and the Rangers roughed up David Price to win their fourth in a row.

Nelson Cruz, who had three hits, connected for his 20th home run of the season in support of Rangers starter Derek Holland (2-5), who won for the first time as a starter.

— The Associated Press

# Cancellara wins first Tour de France stage, Armstrong 10th

MONACO (AP) — Seventime champion Lance Armstrong went out early and put up a solid time in the opening stage of the Tour de France on Saturday, then was upstaged by Fabian Cancellara of Switzerland.

Cancellara finished the 9.6-mile time trial in 19 minutes, 32 seconds, beating 2007 Tour winner Alberto Contador by 18 seconds to capture the yellow jersey.

Contador, returning to the Tour for the first time since his victory, staked his claim to leadership of the Astana team by leading four of its riders into the top 10. Andreas Kloden of Germany was fourth, American Levi Leipheimer was sixth and rival Armstrong was 40 seconds back in 10th.

"I felt pretty good," Armstrong said after taking the early lead as the 18th

## TOUR DE FRANCE STAGE 1

**Stage:** A 9.6-mile individual time trial in Monaco.

**Winner:** Fabian Cancellara of Switzerland earned his fourth stage victory on the Tour. He completed the challenging course in 19 minutes, 32 seconds. The Olympic champion beat 2007 Tour winner and race favorite Alberto Contador of Spain, who took second place 18 seconds behind. Bradley Wiggins of Britain finished 19 seconds in third.

**Yellow Jersey:** Cancellara.

**Quote of the Day:** "We like all this drama. We like the fact that people are trying to throw us off our game ... and when we still win — it's nice." Levi Leipheimer, on the reported rivalry within the Astana team, which includes seven-time Tour winner Lance Armstrong and Contador.

**Next stage:** Sunday's second stage takes the peloton from Monaco to Brignoles on a 116.2-mile route in the Mediterranean hinterland. The stage is punctuated by four small climbs and is likely to favor breakaway riders, especially if the wind is strong.

rider out of 180 to complete the course along winding and hilly roads in the Mediterranean principality of Monaco. "I was a little all over the place. ... It was up, flat, it was down, it was a

technical course. But I think overall, I felt good."

Armstrong's lead lasted until Germany's Tony Martin outpaced the 37-year-old Texan by 7 seconds only 15 riders later.

Others also soon bettered Armstrong's time, including Leipheimer and Liquigas rider Roman Kreuziger.

"Kreuziger just moved into 2nd. I raced with his dad! Haha," Armstrong said on his Twitter account.

Cancellara, who won last month's Tour of Switzerland and the time-trial gold medal at the Beijing Olympics, had been a favorite for the opening stage.

In a show of dominance, he overtook Giro d'Italia winner Denis Menchov — who left the start ramp 90 seconds earlier — just yards from the finish line.

The Saxo Bank rider will wear the overall race leader's yellow jersey for Sunday's second stage — a 116.2-mile ride across plains from Monaco to Brignoles, France.

# NASCAR

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airborne into the fence on the final lap in a similar last-lap crash.

"That's not the way I wanted to do it," said Stewart, who won the summer Daytona race for the third time in five years.

Stewart usually takes every win any way he can. But after wrecking Busch in the frantic finish, he wasn't in the mood to gloat.

Busch passed Stewart right before the final lap to take the lead, but Stewart chased him down and calculated his next move. He closed in on Busch's bumper, and slight contact sent Busch drifting up the track.

Busch slid back down to maintain his lead, then tried to slide in front of Stewart to block Stewart's next move.

The cars were too close together and Stewart hooked Busch's right corner to send Busch sailing into the wall.

It triggered a multiple crash behind them, but Stewart sailed through for his second points win of the season.

"I went where I had to go, and he went where he had to go," Stewart said. "You hate seeing a guy that's been up front all day, especially a guy that's helped me the whole race, wreck like that. You're kind of forced in that position. But I made my move to the outside and he went to block us and we were already there."

"It still doesn't mean you like it. That's not the way to win these things. If I did something wrong, I'm sorry."

# MVS

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we got it in the race, the car seemed to be pretty good."

Evans qualified eleventh but with the inverted start, began the main event race from the seventh position. Rain had put a damper on the events shortly before the RMCS heat races, however Evans was able to adapt to any changes the rain may have had to the track.

"The track was rubbered up pretty good, but after practice we were kind of worried whether the car was going to be a little free or not," he said. "In the heat race it didn't feel the same so we made a few adjustments. I guess we hit it pretty good."

Former MVS track champions Steve Jones and Jonathon Gomez battled for position for several laps just past the mid-race point before Jones came out ahead. Later Jones had his hands full with Jefferson, who eventually coiled around him with just 10 laps remaining in the race. Jones ended up third with Gomez coming in fourth.

"We are starting to figure out the shocks — there's so much more adjustability in these cars than we've ever had," Jones said. "They need to keep it simple for me; I could adjust myself right out of the ballpark. We're getting close — we're just a few clicks away on the shocks to be in there right. But it was a good point night for us."

The Trailer Race of Destruction lived up to its name once again as the 14 contestants immediately set off on their search and the destroy mission for the

night. After the operation was deemed a success, the fireworks show began and the crowd was well rewarded for their staying power for the evening.

## Race Trucks

Jumping into the lead early in the main event race, Kenny Vanderham then was left to contend with all the tricks Jeff Pohlman could conjure up to get around him. In the meantime, Johnny Pierre was trying to work a little magic of his own to work his way up front. At Lap 14 Pierre and Pohlman made contact coming out of turn three and the pair was sent to the back of the field for the restart. Pohlman was able to work his way back up for a second place finish in the race, but it was Vanderham who made it unscathed into the winner's circle.

## Magic Valley Pipe Street Stocks

Rob Roche was able to fend off a late race challenge from John Newell to capture his first main event win in the division. Roche had maintained a significant lead over the rest of the field until the caution was displayed mid-race. As Roche took his spot the lower groove for the restart, Newell positioned himself alongside. Roche was able to hold on to his lead despite Newell's efforts to get underneath him in the turns. Rosalee Weller placed third in the race, her best finish so far this season.

## MVS RESULTS

**Rocky Mountain Challenge Series:** 1. Garrett Evans, 2. Jeff Jefferson, 3. Steve Jones, 4. Jonathon Gomez, 5. Zan Sharp, 6. Dylan Caldwell, 7. Dave Minegar, 8. Eddy McKean, 9. Bruce Quale, 10. John Newhouse.

**Race Trucks:** 1. Kenny Vanderham, 2. Jeff Pohlman, 3. Scott Luttmir, 4. John Newhouse, 5. Ken Fortner.

**Magic Valley Pipe Street Stocks:** 1. Rob Roche, 2. John Newell, 3. Rosalee Weller, 4. Chase Carraway, 5. Steve Edens.

**Trailer Race contestants:** Chris Harrell, Kris McKean, Greg "Sparky" Sparks, Jeff Peck, Randall Webster, Chris Johnson, Dustin Godfrey, Kent Wade, Benjamin Hunt, Ethan Hunt, Dan Hunt, Cody McCormick, Virgil Johnson, Jerry McKean.



# SCOREBOARD

## AUTO RACING

### NASCAR Sprint Cup

#### Coke Zero 400 Results

Saturday  
At Daytona International Speedway  
Daytona Beach, Fla.  
Lap Length: 2.5 Miles  
(Start Position in Parentheses)

- (1) Tony Stewart, Chevrolet, 160 Laps, 141.5 Rating, 195 Points.
- (3) Jimmie Johnson, Chevrolet, 160, 117.1, 170.
- (6) Denny Hamlin, Toyota, 160, 94.7, 134.
- (5) Carl Edwards, Ford, 160, 104.8, 160.
- (4) Kurt Busch, Dodge, 160, 107.5, 160.
- (8) Marcos Ambrose, Toyota, 160, 89, 150.
- (17) Brian Vickers, Toyota, 160, 86.2, 146.
- (10) Matt Kenseth, Ford, 160, 105.3, 147.
- (12) Juan Pablo Montoya, Chevrolet, 160, 80.3, 138.
- (23) Elliott Sadler, Dodge, 160, 94.7, 134.
- (11) Jeff Burton, Chevrolet, 160, 84.1, 130.
- (24) Regan Smith, Chevrolet, 160, 65.5, 127.
- (31) David Ragan, Ford, 160, 90.4, 124.
- (8) Kyle Busch, Toyota, 160, 109.1, 124.
- (13) Casey Mears, Dodge, 160, 90.7, 118.
- (16) Jeff Burton, Chevrolet, 160, 101.1, 120.
- (9) Al Unser Jr., Dodge, 160, 86.6, 112.
- (9) Greg Biffle, Ford, 160, 88.9, 109.
- (21) Joey Logano, Toyota, 160, 77.9, 106.
- (7) Ryan Newman, Chevrolet, 160, 57.6, 108.

## BASEBALL

### American League

All Times MDT

EAST	W	L	Pct	GB
Boston	48	32	.600	-
New York	47	33	.588	1
Tampa Bay	44	38	.537	5
Toronto	42	40	.512	7
Baltimore	36	44	.450	12

CENTRAL	W	L	Pct	GB
Detroit	44	36	.550	-
Chicago	42	39	.519	2½
Minnesota	42	40	.512	3
Kansas City	34	46	.425	10
Cleveland	33	49	.402	12

WEST	W	L	Pct	GB
Texas	44	35	.557	-
Los Angeles	42	38	.521	½
Seattle	42	38	.521	2½
Oakland	33	46	.418	11

### Friday's Games

N.Y. Yankees 4, Toronto 2  
Cleveland 15, Oakland 3  
Seattle 7, Boston 6, 11 innings  
Texas 3, Tampa Bay 1  
Chicago White Sox 5, Kansas City 0  
Detroit 11, Minnesota 9, 16 innings  
Baltimore 6, L.A. Angels 4

### Saturday's Games

Seattle 3, Boston 2  
N.Y. Yankees 6, Toronto 5, 12 innings  
Kansas City 6, Chicago White Sox 4  
Minnesota 4, Detroit 3  
Cleveland 5, Oakland 2  
Baltimore at L.A. Angels, late  
Oakland (Gonzalez 0-2) at Cleveland (C.Lee 4-7), 11:05 a.m.  
Toronto (Cecil 2-1) at N.Y. Yankees (Chamberlain 4-2), 11:05 a.m.  
Seattle (Morrow 0-3) at Boston (Lester 7-6), 11:35 a.m.  
Chicago White Sox (Richard 3-1) at Kansas City (Bannister 5-6), 12:10 p.m.  
Detroit (Porcello 8-5) at Minnesota (Blackburn 6-4), 2:10 p.m.  
Baltimore (RHill 3-2) at L.A. Angels (Saunders 8-5), 1:35 p.m.  
Tampa Bay (Garza 6-5) at Texas (Feldman 6-2), 6:05 p.m.

## National League

All Times MDT

EAST	W	L	Pct	GB
Philadelphia	41	37	.526	-
Florida	42	40	.512	1
Atlanta	39	41	.488	3
New York	39	41	.488	3
Washington	23	35	.295	18

CENTRAL	W	L	Pct	GB
Milwaukee	43	38	.531	-
St. Louis	44	39	.530	-
Cincinnati	40	39	.506	2
Chicago	39	39	.500	2½
Houston	38	41	.481	4
Pittsburgh	37	44	.457	6

WEST	W	L	Pct	GB
Los Angeles	51	30	.630	-
San Francisco	44	36	.550	6½
Colorado	42	37	.532	8
San Diego	35	45	.438	15½
Arizona	31	49	.388	19½

### Friday's Games

Chicago Cubs 2, Milwaukee 1, 10 innings  
Pittsburgh 7, Florida 4  
Atlanta 9, Washington 8  
Philadelphia 7, N.Y. Mets 2  
Cincinnati 4, St. Louis 2  
Colorado 5, Arizona 0  
L.A. Dodgers 6, San Diego 3  
San Francisco 13, Houston 0

### Saturday's Games

Washington 5, Atlanta 3  
Milwaukee 11, Chicago Cubs 2  
Cincinnati 5, St. Louis 2  
San Francisco 9, Houston 0  
San Diego 7, L.A. Dodgers 4  
Philadelphia 4, N.Y. Mets 1  
Florida 5, Pittsburgh 3  
Arizona at Colorado, late  
Pittsburgh (Ohlendorf 7-6) at Florida (Nolasco 5-6), 11:10 a.m.  
St. Louis (Carpenter 5-3) at Cincinnati (Arroyo 8-7), 11:10 a.m.  
Atlanta (D Lowe 7-6) at Washington (Olsen 1-4), 11:35 a.m.  
N.Y. Mets (Santana 9-6) at Philadelphia (Blanton 4-4), 11:35 a.m.  
Milwaukee (Burns 1-1) at Chicago Cubs (Lilly 7-6), 12:20 p.m.  
Arizona (Haren 7-4) at Colorado (Jimenez 6-7), 1:10 p.m.  
Houston (Oswalt 4-4) at San Francisco (Ra.Johnson 8-5), 2:05 p.m.  
L.A. Dodgers (Billingsley 9-4) at San Diego (Banks 1-0), 2:05 p.m.

## AL Boxes

### ROYALS 6, WHITE SOX 4

Chicago	R	H	BI	Kansas City	R	H	BI
Prsdn lf	4	0	0	Deless lf	4	0	0
AlRmz ss	4	2	0	Bingst ss-rf	4	1	0
Dye dh	4	1	1	Butler lf	3	0	0
Konerk lb	4	0	0	Jaculin rf	4	1	0
Rcstr c	2	0	0	Penalz ss	0	0	0
Przyns ph	1	0	0	Teahan 3b	2	1	1
Getz 2b	2	1	0	Jacobs dh	3	1	1
JNk ph-2b	1	0	0	B.Pena ph-dh	2	1	1
Bckhm 3b	4	2	1	Callasp 2b	3	2	0
Wise rf	1	0	1	Olivco c	3	0	0
Brnd cf	2	0	1	Maier cf	2	0	1
Thome ph	1	0	0				
Totals	33	4	4	Totals	30	6	6

### CHICAGO CUBS 2, MILWAUKEE 1, 10 INNINGS

Chicago	R	H	ER	BB	SO
G.Floyd L6-6	5	1	2	0	0
Thornton BS-3,3	1	2	0	0	0
Dotel	12-3	1	1	1	3

### KANSAS CITY

Chicago	R	H	ER	BB	SO
IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
5-13	4	5	5	3	4

### INDIANS 5, ATHLETICS 2

Oakland	R	H	BI	Cleveland	R	H	BI
Kendry 3b	5	1	1	Acarer ss	3	0	0
O.Carer ss	3	0	3	Sizemr cf	2	1	2
Hollidy lf	3	0	1	VMrtz c	3	0	0
Giambi lb	4	0	0	Chop rf	3	0	1
KSuzuk c	4	0	0	Halner dh	4	0	0
Cust dh	2	0	0	JHpprf 3b	3	0	0
RSwry cf	3	0	0	CSabo lf	3	1	0
GRprr ph	1	0	0	VAllen 2b	3	2	1
RDavis cf	0	0	0	BFrncs lf	3	1	3
T.Buck rf	4	0	0				
M.Ellis 2b	3	1	2	Totals	30	5	5

### MARINERS 3, RED SOX 2

Seattle	R	H	BI	Boston	R	H	BI
ISuzuki rf	5	1	1	J.Drew rf	3	0	0
Branny 3b	3	0	1	2.Pedraza 2b	4	0	0
Jeloz 2b	4	0	1	YOukils 3b	4	0	0
GRffry dh	3	0	0	0.Yaif lf	4	0	0
Balentr pr-dh	1	0	0	Baldelli dh	1	1	0
FGrrz cf	4	0	1	D.Ortiz ph-dh	1	0	0
Lngrhn lf	2	0	0	0.Vartek c	3	1	2
W.Dwrd 3b	3	1	2	0.Elsury cf	4	0	1
Cedeno ss	4	0	1	0.Kotsay lb	1	0	0
				LUss 2b	2	0	0
				0.Kotsay lb	1	0	0
				Totals	31	3	2

### RANGERS 12, RAYS 4

Tampa Bay	R	H	BI	Texas	R	H	BI
Blypton cf	3	0	1	0.Kinsler 2b	4	1	0
CRwrld lf	4	0	0	0.MVong 3b	4	2	3
Longori 3b	4	0	1	0.C.Davis 3b	0	0	0
C.Pena 1b	3	0	0	0.Bryrd cf	2	3	1
Zobor 2b-rf	4	0	0	0.Borbon cf	2	1	0
Burrell dh	4	0	0	0.Anonis dh	5	1	2
Bartlett ss	3	2	2	1.Balabol 1b	5	0	1
Dillon ph	1	0	0	0.N.Cruz rf	5	2	2
Kapler rf	2	1	0	0.DMVP lf	5	1	3
WAlayr ph-2b	2	1	0	0.Tegrdy c	4	1	2
Wenec c	3	1	1	3.Andrus ss	1	0	0
Totals	33	4	4	Totals	37	12	14

### YANKEES 6, BLUE JAYS 5, 12 INNINGS

Toronto	R	H	BI	New York	R	H	BI
Scutaro ss	6	1	2	0.Jeter ss	5	1	1
A.Hill 2b	5	0	1	0.Damon lf	4	2	1
Ind dh	1	0	0	0.Teaver lf	0	0	0
Rolin 3b	4	1	1	0.Ardregz 2b	6	1	2
Overay lb	3	1	0	0.Cano 2b	6	0	0
W.Vells cf	4	1	1	0.Posada c	6	1	2
Rios rf	5	0	2	3.HMatus dh	4	1	2
DeLucc lf	5	0	0	0.Ranish pr-dh	0	0	0
Baras c	0	1	0	0.Swisher ph-dh	1	0	0
Bautist pr	0	0	0	0.McCarrn cf	5	0	1
RChavz c	2	0	1	0.Gardnr cf	5	0	0
Przyns ph	1	0	0	0.Teahen 3b	2	1	1
Getz 2b	2	1	0	0.Jacobs dh	3	1	1
JNk ph-2b	1	0	0	0>B.Pena ph-dh	2	1	1
Bckhm 3b	4	0	2	1.Callasp 2b	3	2	0
Wise rf	1	0	1	0.Olivco c	3	0	0
Brnd cf	2	0	1	0.Maier cf	2	0	1
Thome ph	1	0	0				
Totals	33	4	4	Totals	45	12	6

### Friday's Late AL Boxes

#### TWINS 4, TIGERS 3

Detroit	R	H	BI	Minnesota	R	H	BI
IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO		
5-13	4	5	5	3	4		

#### TIGERS 11, TWINS 9, 16 INNINGS

Detroit	R	H	BI	Minnesota	R	H	BI
IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO		
7-9	5	5	3	3	1		

## GAME PLAN

### LOCAL

#### AMERICAN LEGION BASEBALL

Class AA  
TGC — PGA Tour, AT&T National, final round, at Bethesda, Md.

#### Cowboy Classic Tournament

See Sports 1 for schedule  
Class A  
Twin Falls at Pepsi Tournament, Boise

### TV SCHEDULE

#### AUTO RACING

11 a.m.  
ABC — IRL, Camping World Grand Prix, at Watkins Glen, N.Y.

#### AVP VOLLEYBALL

2:30 p.m.  
NBC — Coney Island Open, at New York

#### CYCLING

6:30 a.m.  
VERSUS — Tour de France, stage 2, Monaco to Brignoles, France (same-day tape)

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6 p.m.  
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# Woods, Kim tied for lead at Congressional

BETHESDA, Md. — Tournament host Tiger Woods and defending champion Anthony Kim set the stage Saturday for a showdown everyone wanted at the AT&T National, with some expected company on a suddenly crowded leaderboard at Congressional.

Woods salvaged an even-par 70 from a roller-coaster round, losing a three-shot lead in two holes and having to scramble down the stretch to regain a share of the lead.

Kim turned birdie into bogey with an ugly three-putt on No. 9, but kept his cool in warm, blustery conditions for a 2-under 68.

The 24-year-old has never finished higher than Woods in a PGA Tour event, and this will be the first time they have been paired together in any round of any tournament.

"I'm excited to be there," Kim said. "There's not too many chances to play against the best in the



AP photo

Tiger Woods chips to the green on the No. 2 hole during the third round of the AT&T National golf tournament at Congressional Country Club Saturday in Bethesda, Md.

world at his tournament. I would love to play great tomorrow."

And what does he expect from Tiger?

"I expect he's going to be wearing a red shirt and be

out there ready to go," Kim said.

Woods has a 44-3 record on the PGA Tour when he has at least a share of the 54-hole lead, although it took work to get there. He started with a one-shot lead over Rod Pampling, an advantage that was gone after one hole when Woods drove into the gallery and couldn't reach the green out of the thick rough.

He recovered with a 25-foot eagle on the par-5 ninth for a three-shot lead, but going from bunker-to-bunker near the green and missing a 7-foot putt gave him a double bogey at No. 11 — Woods has played that hole in 4 over this week — and a tie for the lead.

Woods had to get up-and-down for birdie on the 16th for a share of the lead, and he made routine pars for his 70.

They were at 10-under 200, but this was far from a two-man race.

A dozen players were separated by four shots going into the final round, including Jim Furyk (69) and Pampling (71) at 8-under 202, and U.S. Open champion Lucas Glover (68) another shot behind.

## YI LEADS FARR BY 4 AFTER 61

SYLVANIA, Ohio — Eunjung Yi shot eight birdies and an eagle at Highland Meadows for a 10-under 61 and four-shot lead Saturday through the third round of the Jamie Farr Owens Corning Classic.

The 21-year-old Yi, who has never finished better than a tie for 11th in her 23 LPGA Tour events, is at 18-under 195 after putting up the lowest third-round score in the tournament's 25 years.

Song-Hee Kim shot a 64 and is at 199 along with Morgan Pressel, who had a 67.

— The Associated Press

# McNair

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arrive at the condo between 1:30 and 2 a.m. Saturday and that Kazemi's vehicle was already there.

Two days ago, Nashville police arrested Kazemi on a DUI charge while driving a 2007 Escalade registered to her and McNair. McNair was in the front seat, but didn't break the law and was allowed to leave by taxi.

About 50 people crowded just beyond police tape outside the complex in the upscale Rutledge Hill neighborhood, some wearing Titans hats. The condominium is located within walking distance of an area filled with restaurants and nightspots, a few blocks from the Cumberland River and within view of the Titans' stadium.

McNair, a four-time Pro Bowler, led the Titans within a yard of forcing overtime in the 2000 Super Bowl, which they lost 23-16 to the St. Louis Rams. He also played for the Baltimore Ravens before retiring in April 2008.

His most noted drive, the last one in that Super Bowl, came when he led the Titans 87 yards in the final minute and 48 seconds, and only to come up a yard short of the tying touchdown. Kevin Dyson caught his 9-yard pass, but was tackled at the 1-yard line by the Rams' Mike Jones.

McNair accounted for all of Tennessee's yards in that drive, throwing for 48 yards and rushing for 14. The rest of the yardage came on penalties against the Rams. Before that, he brought the Titans back from a 16-0 deficit to tie the game.

"We don't know the details, but it is a terrible tragedy and our hearts go out to the families involved," NFL commissioner Roger Goodell said in a statement.

"We are saddened and shocked to hear the news of Steve McNair's passing today," Titans owner Bud Adams said in a statement. "He was one of the finest players to play for our organization and one of the most beloved players by our fans. He played with unquestioned heart and leadership and led us to places that we had never reached, including our only Super Bowl."

"If you were going to draw a football player, the physical part, the mental part, everything about being a professional, he is your guy," former Ravens and Titans teammate Samari Rolle said. "I can't

even wrap my arms around it. It is a sad, sad day. The world lost a great man today."

McNair began his career in 1995 with the Houston Oilers, who eventually became the Titans, and finished with 31,304 yards passing and 174 touchdowns. McNair played with pain for several years, and the injuries ultimately forced him to retire.

"On the field, there isn't a player that was as tough as him, especially at the quarterback position," the Ravens' Derrick Mason said. "What I have seen him play through on the field, and what he dealt with during the week to get ready for a game, I have never known a better teammate."

During a five-game stretch at the end of the 2002 season, McNair was so bruised he couldn't practice. But he started all five games and won them, leading the Titans to an 11-5 finish and a berth in the AFC championship game for the second time in four seasons.

McNair played all 16 games in 2006, his first season in Baltimore, and guided the Ravens to a 13-3 record. But he injured his groin during the season opener last season and never regained the form that put him in those Pro Bowls.

"I am deeply saddened to learn of today's tragic news regarding the death of Steve McNair. He was a player who I admired a great deal," said New England Patriots senior football adviser Floyd Reese, who was GM of the Titans when McNair played for them. "He was a tremendous leader and an absolute warrior. He felt like it was his responsibility to lead by working hard every day, no matter what."

Titans coach Jeff Fisher was out of the country, taking part in the first NFL-USO coaches tour to Iraq.

Ozzie Newsome, Ravens executive vice president and general manager, said he immediately thought of McNair's four sons.

"This is so, so sad. We immediately think of his family, his boys. They are all in our thoughts and prayers," he said. "What we admired most about Steve when we played against him was his competitive spirit, and we were lucky enough to have that with us for two years. He is one of the best players in the NFL over the last 20 years."

# Your Sports

## YOUTH SOFTBALL



The 12U Magic Valley Explosion softball team took home the first place trophy at the Boise Blast & Idaho Sporting Goods Girls Fast-pitch tournament last weekend. The team also won first place in its division at the Mesa Invitational the weekend of June 18-19. Top row, from left: Coach Steve Call, Coach Matt Harr, Coach Mike Aardema. Middle row: Ashlyn Aardema, Kayler Detmer, Hailey Gentry, Taylor Johnson, Hailey Hoggarth, Coach Laura Detmer. Bottom row: Kacie Kubosumi, Regan Harr, Skylar Call, Dani Shotswell, Madi Ford.



The Minico Spartan All-star varsity softball team attended the Top of the Tetons tournament in Driggs last weekend. The Spartans medaled at fourth place. In the final game, a 7-3 victory over Bonneville, pitcher Laura Hurtado struck out five batters. The Spartans team is Laura Hurtado (P), Samantha McGhie (C), Jacoby Jackson (1B), Mariah Cardenas (2B), Mary Cruz Hurtado (2B), Hannah Felt (3B), Abrina Blount (3B), Liz Vega (SS), Bianca Santana (LF), Tory Sanford (CF), Ceci Faux (RF). The team is coached by Troy Morfin and Todd McGhie.



Magic Valley Venom took third place at the 12th Annual Twin Falls 14U Fast-pitch Softball Invitational. Top row, from left: Cassidy Ferrell, Kassidy Moon, Natasha Nelson, Danielle Petrone, Mikayla Triplett, Carli Andrus. Second row: Jenifer Brewer, Jensen Upton, Tenli Bright, Kourtney Keller. Front row: Katherine Ferrell. Not pictured: Paige Jackman, Crystal Luna. Coaches: Pat Ferrell, Troy Jackman, Darryl Petrone, Gary Moon.

## YOUTH BASEBALL



Photo courtesy of NORA KENT

The Twin Falls Patriots 11U Cal Ripken All-Star baseball team took second in the Meridian Dairy Days Tournament on June 20. Top row, from left: Coach Cory Holloway, Tyler Rosas, Dakota Kent, Cody Holloway, Garrett Mussman, Cody Crossland, Mike Lively, Coach Mike Henard. Bottom row: Conner Holloway, Preston Nelson, Brady Nelson, Casey Hoggarth, Taylor Cooper, Mike Henard. Not pictured: Coach Tony Hoggarth.



The Twin Falls 13U Boys All-Star team took first place in the Twin Falls Tournament, which ended June 27. Top row, from left: Coach Garcia, Wyatt Berg, Stefan Valdez, Riley Hughes, Matt Anderson, Austin Fuller, John Cron, Michael Garcia, Coach Benavidez, Coach Kepner. Bottom row: Wyatt Doyle, Gage Kepner, Tyler Walters, Nico Benavidez, Sam Krapf.

## MARTIAL ARTS



Thirteen Pii Sung Martial Arts students travelled to Seattle on June 20 to compete in the HTF national tournament against competitors from Washington, Oregon, California, Canada, and Idaho. Of the eight blackbelts that competed, 11 brought home national championships, more than any other school at the tournament. Top row, from left: Lilana Suanero-Nava, Chuck Duppong (champion), Shaela Richards (champion), Jeffrey Sjolholm (champion), Master Bill Fulcher, Lisa Farnsworth (double champion), Ray Farnsworth (champion), Jessica Woodward (champion). Bottom row: Austin Toner, Sarah Woodward (double champion), Neka Bethke (double champion), Janie Toner, and Carissa Toner. Not pictured: Felix Duppong.

# Wimbledon

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championship and 11th major title overall, she jogged to the net with her arm extended for a hand-shake.

Venus pulled her close for a warm embrace, instead.

"I didn't think about Venus at all today. I just saw her as an opponent," said Serena, who also beat her sister in the 2002 and 2003 finals at the All England Club. "At one point, after the first set, I looked on the side of the court at the stats, and it was like 'Williams'; 'Williams'; I couldn't figure out which was which."

That also might have been because she was facing the only other woman who can equal her power and court coverage on grass courts. Monday's rankings will say Serena is No. 2, and Venus No. 3 — behind No. 1 Dinara Safina, a 6-1, 6-0 loser to the elder Williams in the semifinals — but it is clear who the best woman in the world is at the moment.

Serena has won three of the past four Grand Slam titles and even poked a little fun at Safina, who is 0-3 in major finals.

"If you hold three Grand Slam titles, maybe you should be No. 1, but not on the WTA Tour, obviously," Serena said. Then, alluding sarcastically to two less-than-major events won by Safina, Serena doubled

over in laughter after saying: "I see myself as No. 2. That's where I am. I think Dinara did a great job to get to No. 1. She won Rome and Madrid."

The sisters' father, Richard Williams, used to say his youngest daughter would be the better of the two, and the numbers back that up at this point: Serena leads in Grand Slam titles (11-7), in head-to-head matches (11-10), and in all-Williams major finals (6-2).

It was the 14th Grand Slam final for each Williams; no other active woman participated in more than four. Serena is 11-3 in such matches; Venus fell to 7-7, with all but one defeat coming against her sister.

Asked if it's easier or harder losing to a sibling, five-time Wimbledon champion Venus said: "There's no 'easy' to losing, especially when it's so close to the crown."

About 3½ hours after their match ended, Serena and Venus returned to Centre Court and capped their domination of the tournament by winning a second consecutive Wimbledon doubles championship. Slapping palms between opponents, the sisters beat Australians Samantha Stosur and Rennae Stubbs 7-6 (4), 6-4 to collect their ninth women's doubles Grand Slam title, fourth at Wimbledon.

## YOUR SCORES

**BOWLADROME TWIN FALLS NASCAR SCOTCH DBLS.**  
GAMES: Nate and Joelle 209, Tyler and Angel 168, Larry and Sena 158, Cody and Cliff 148.  
SERIES: Nate and Joelle 544, Tyler and Angel 467, Larry and Sena 394, Cody and Cliff 389.  
TUES. NO TAP  
MEN'S SERIES: O.J. Edwards 765, Con Moser 708, Maury Miller 623, Blaine Ross 623.  
MEN'S GAMES: O.J. Edwards 298, Con Moser 266, Ed Dutry 225.  
LADIES SERIES: Charlene Anderson 676,

Mary Ann Bruno 589, Dee Hall 575.  
LADIES GAMES: Charlene Anderson 253, Mary Ann Bruno 230, Edith Sutherland 203.  
THURS. A.M.  
MEN'S SERIES: Myron Schroeder 607, Blaine Ross 575, Tom Smith 561, Glen Jones 559.  
MEN'S GAMES: Dave Wilson 246, Myron Schroeder 228, Bill Boren 223, Blaine Ross 222.  
LADIES SERIES: Ann Shepherd 523, Linda Vining 514, Kimmie Lee 496, Gail McAllister 464.  
LADIES GAMES: Linda Vining 194, Ann

Shepherd 179, Kimmie Lee 176, Gail McAllister 174.  
THURS. NO TAP  
SERIES: Frank Delia 622, Josh Serr 616, Kris Armstrong 595, Tyler Waldron 537, Eric Parton 537.  
GAMES: Josh Serr 238, Frank Delia 230, Kris Armstrong 222, Tyler Waldron 203.  
MAGIC BOWL TWIN FALLS TUES. MIXED  
MEN'S SERIES: Joe McClure 616, Robbie Watkins 607, Cotlin Runyan 529, Chad Yturbe 520.  
MEN'S GAMES: Robbie Watkins 216, Joe McClure 214, Cotlin Runyan 197,

Chad Yturbe 190.  
LADIES SERIES: Kathy McClure 498, Randi Hernandez 474, Shanda pickett 452, Hillary Fieger 408.  
LADIES GAMES: Randi Hernandez 193, Kathy McClure 179, Shand Pickett 155, Hillary Fieger 148.  
YOUTH/ADULT  
MEN'S GAMES: Kyle Mason 215, Joe McClure 211.  
LADIES GAMES: Kathy McClure 192.  
GIRLS' SERIES: Jessica Jenkins 645, Kaitlynn Simpson 575.  
GIRLS' GAMES: Jessica Jenkins 243, Kaitlynn Simpson 177.

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## SUDOKU

Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Concepts Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

### Concepts Sudoku

By Dave Green

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### Answer to previous puzzle

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9	6	2	3	5	4	8	7	1
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without a top honor, but double or  
redouble to show a raise with a  
top honor? Is another approach  
better?

Acting Up, Portland, Ore.

**ANSWER:** Rosenkranz doubles  
and redoubles are not my cup of  
tea. (I like to keep the bid for oth-  
er purposes — namely, to show  
good, defensively oriented hands.)  
These doubles are traditionally  
employed only by fourth hand fac-  
ing an overcall, and I can see the  
logic in using them by a passed  
hand — but I would not advocate  
them in any other sequences.

**Dear Mr. Wolff:**  
Holding ♠ J-2, ♥ A-K-9-7-6,  
♦ 9-7-4, ♣ A-Q-10, I opened one  
heart and heard one spade on my  
left. When this came back to me, I  
doubled for takeout. My partner  
passed and my RHO now rescued  
himself. Since I had a decent  
hand, should I have doubled a res-  
cue in either minor, or should I  
have passed and awaited develop-  
ments?

Ax-Wielder, Detroit, Mich.

**ANSWER:** Despite holding only  
three clubs, you have just enough  
in defensive tricks to double a  
run-out to that suit. But I would  
never double a diamond call with  
such weak trumps. Wait for part-  
ner to act if he can.

**Dear Mr. Wolff:**  
You recently wrote that it is not a  
reverse if you open one club, then  
rebid two diamonds after an over-  
call of one heart and a negative  
double from partner. If your part-  
ner had responded one heart and  
you had then bid two diamonds,  
would this have been a reverse?  
Or do you just play reverses when  
the second suit is a major?

Strong Poison, Worcester, Mass.

**ANSWER:** You got the distinction  
absolutely right at your first try.  
Without the double, the two-dia-  
mond bid would have been a re-  
verse. Key here is that when part-  
ner asks you to bid a suit and you

do so as here without a jump, it  
just suggests a nonmaximum  
hand, together with that suit. In  
an uncontested auction, bidding a  
lower-ranking suit, then a higher-  
ranking suit at a higher level,  
would constitute a reverse and  
thus show real extras.

**Dear Mr. Wolff:**  
I was in fourth seat with ♠ 4-3,  
♥ K-8-2, ♦ K-Q-10-7-4, ♣ 6-3-2.  
LHO had opened with a weak two  
hearts, doubled by my partner.  
We play no conventional respon-  
ses here, so I just bid three dia-  
monds and played there, missing  
game in no-trump or diamonds.  
What could I have done?  
Undercooked, Tupelo, Miss.

**ANSWER:** If two no-trump was  
natural, I might have gambled it  
out, although I realize that this  
could look very silly. But the sim-  
plest way around the problem is  
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**Dear Mr. Wolff:**  
My RHO opened one diamond,  
and I held ♠ A-K-10-2, ♥ Q-J,  
♦ K-Q, ♣ Q-J-6-3-2. All of my  
choices at this point seemed bad.  
What call do you think is appro-  
priate?  
Salvage Job, East Brunswick, N.J.

**ANSWER:** I would overcall one  
no-trump. The hand is a little  
strong, but the red-suit honors  
are emphatically not pulling their  
weight. Two clubs and one spade  
are both wrong (though neither is  
impossible) because of suit  
length and quality issues. Even a  
double is not out — although if  
partner bids hearts, I would have  
to bid clubs, not no-trump. (The  
latter would show 18-20 balanced,  
but a better diamond stop than  
this.)

For details of Bobby Wolff's autobiography, "The Lone  
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\*\*\* Breckenridge Estates \*\*\*  
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gy efficient, \$850/mo. \$500 dep.  
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dep. Call 208-731-4060.

**TWIN FALLS** 3 bdrm/2 bath, great  
President Street \$975, living room  
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fenced yard, \$650 month + dep.  
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**TWIN FALLS** 4 bdrm, 2.5 bath  
home, 3 car garage, family and liv-  
ing room. Super clean, neighbor-  
hood has park, \$1300 plus de-  
posit. No pets or smoking.  
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**TWIN FALLS** 5 bdrm, 2 1/2 bath, 2  
car garage, large fenced yard,  
central heat & air, nice quiet neigh-  
borhood, no smoking, pets req.  
\$1075 mo + \$1000 dep. 420-1804

**TWIN FALLS** 6 bdrm, 2 bath, no  
pets, no smoking \$800 + dep.  
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**TWIN FALLS** 870 Canyon Park, 3  
bdrm, 2 bath, 2 car garage, 1900  
sq. ft. All appls. Including W/D,  
lawn care provided, access to pool  
\$1100/mo. + dep. 208-420-1212

**TWIN FALLS** A good location, 2  
bdrm, full basement, 205 Taylor,  
\$725 + dep. No pets/smoking.  
208-733-5408 or 404-6801

**TWIN FALLS** Beautiful 5 bdrm, 3.5  
bath, 3 car garage, lg fenced yard,  
deck, sprinklers, AC, central vac,  
nice quiet cul-de-sac, no smoking/  
pets. \$1900 mo + dep. 734-1252

**TWIN FALLS** Exc. Location, 4  
bdrm, 3 bath, 2 car garage, central  
air, sprinkler system. No pets  
\$1050 + \$1050 dep. 2 Falls Prop-  
erty Management. 212-1678

**TWIN FALLS** ●●● NEW ●●●  
Townhomes 3 bdrm, 2 bath,  
garage, fireplace. No smoking.  
Pets considered, purchase option  
available \$975 month  
1841 Falls Ave. E. 208-733-8207

**TWIN FALLS**



**0602**  
**Unfurnished Homes**

**TWIN FALLS** Nice 3 bdrm home with garage, nice fenced yard. \$725/mo. + \$500 dep. 308-8000

**TWIN FALLS** Quality 3 bdrm, 2 bath townhouse, 1 year old, fireplace, over sized 2 car garage. 1081 N. College near new hospital. \$950 mo. + dep. w/lease. 208-733-9069 or 420-9069

**TWIN FALLS RENTAL STIMULUS**  
"New" Falls Ave. Suites. Conveniently located. Close to CSI and next to Fred Meyer. Free Utilities and wireless internet. Except elect. Only (1) 2 bdrm apt. avail. \$550/month. Call 208-420-1301

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**603**  
**Furnished Apartments**

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**TWIN FALLS** Small, clean, quiet studio, no smoking/pets. \$395 + \$210 deposit. 208-420-9028

**TWIN FALLS** Studios Weekly/monthly rates. 1341 Kimberly Rd. 208-733-6452.

**604**  
**Unfurnished Apartments**

**Need an Economic Stimulus?**  
Move in by July 15<sup>th</sup> and deduct \$200 from your 1<sup>st</sup> full month's rent!

**LAUREL PARK APARTMENTS**  
176 Maurice St. N  
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Fabulous 1 and 2 bdrm apt!

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**FILER** duplex 2 bdrm., 1 bath, appls., garage, \$600 mo + \$500 deposit. No smoking/pets. Available August 1<sup>st</sup>. Call 208-308-7806

**GOODING** Large 3 bdrm, 1 bath, newly remodeled, includes W/D, dishwasher, AC, \$630 + dep. No pets/smoking. 208-734-1176

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**HEYBURN** New 1 & 2 bdrm, no smoking/pets W/D hookups 1515 15<sup>th</sup> \$395/\$550/mo. \$300 dep. 208-670-5697

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**JEROME** Luxury 2 bdrm, apple include W/D, no pets, 116 E. 7<sup>th</sup>. \$600 mo. 324-4854 or 539-1172

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**604**  
**Unfurnished Apartments**

**RUPERT** 2 bdrm, 1 bath. \$475 mo + dep. 623 17<sup>th</sup> St. No smoking/pets. 208-733-0673 or 358-0673

**TWIN FALLS** 1 bdrm, kitchen apt no smoking/pets. \$395. http://steeltngt.com 735-0473

**TWIN FALLS** 1 bdrm, new carpet/paint, like new. By old post office. \$425. No smoking/pets. 732-5408

**TWIN FALLS** 2 bdrm apts. No smoking/pets. \$575-\$595 + dep. \$200 off 1<sup>st</sup> months rent. 208-539-6913 or 208-539-0900

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**TWIN FALLS** 2 bedroom, 2 bath apt, \$575/mo. + deposit. No smoking/pets. 208-308-8941.

**TWIN FALLS** 3 bdrm, 1 bath, no smoking/pets, WD hookups, all utils paid, \$875+dep. 539-4145

**TWIN FALLS** 3 bdrm, 1.5 bath, townhouse \$600+dep in T.F. +2 bdrm, 1 bath, duplex \$475+dep in Burh. No pets. 208-948-9027

**TWIN FALLS** 3 bdrm, 2 bath, appliances, central air, 2 car carport, 1250 sq. ft. \$800/mo. No pets/smoking. 208-731-8260

**TWIN FALLS** above avg. 1 bdrm, needs A+ tenant. \$395/mo. Details at www.ec2cl.com or 733-6475

**TWIN FALLS** across from CSI, W/D included. Great condition, quiet neighborhood. Big living room \$575/mo. Call 208-731-9456 or 775-374-2009

**TWIN FALLS** All utils incl studio. \$325. Clean, no smoking, some appls incld. Call-208-734-5483

**TWIN FALLS** Attractive, 2 bdrm duplex, very clean, appls, nice area, garage, no drugs/pets. \$690/mo. + dep. 208-733-2546

**TWIN FALLS** Beautiful, large, 2 bdrm, 2 bath. Located on quiet street in NE area. Fully equipped kitchen with all appliances. Cozy family room with fireplace, garage & loads of storage. Fenced yard with yard care furnished. No smoking/pets. 1 year lease. \$800/mo plus deposit. For info call 733-9685.

**TWIN FALLS** Brand new 2 bedroom, 1 bath apts, \$624-\$680 Close to CSI campus. For more info call 208-735-1180.

**TWIN FALLS** Immaculate tri-plex, 2 bdrm, 1 bath, W/D hookup, garage, water/garbage paid. CSI location, 1175 Imperial St. \$625 + \$500 dep. No smoking/pets. Call 208-734-1505 or 208-284-7991.

**TWIN FALLS** Large 2 bdrm, 1 bath, includes W/D, private entrance/yard. No pets/smoking. \$540 mo. + dep. Call 208-734-1176

**TWIN FALLS** Looking for clean, quality affordable housing? Look no further. Make WillsWood Apartments your home today. Income restrictions will apply. For rental info call 208-734-8070

**TWIN FALLS MOVE-IN SPECIAL**  
\$100 off first month rent  
No application fee  
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Affordable 2 & 3 bdrm, 2 bath apts. Laundry hookups, AC, garage w/each apt. Two playgrounds. Fitness Room. Rental Assistance Households Welcome Call 208-735-2111

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**TWIN FALLS RENTALS**  
1, 2 & 3 Bedroom Apts & Houses  
Various Locations  
Call for Details 734-4334  
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**TWIN FALLS** The Falls Apts./Pheasant View Townhomes 1, 2, & 3 bdrm. No pets. \$430-\$550 208-734-6600

**WENDELL** Clean, 2 bdrm, 1 bath, appls, good parking, \$550. Tri Co. Prop. Mgmt. 208-324-2734 or www.tcpm.us

**WENDELL** Lovely 2 bdrm, 1 bath, all appls including W/D. No smoking, no pets. 208-720-7601

**605**  
**Rooms For Rent**

**TWIN FALLS MOTEL**  
Daily and weekly rates. Quiet 208-733-8620. We are affordable!

**TWIN FALLS** Quiet, clean motel. Weekly \$115, Monthly \$395 + dep. Microwave/refrig. No pets. 736-1988

**606**  
**Mobile Homes**

**TWIN FALLS** 1 & 2 bdrms, 1 bath, with W/D, no pets, quiet park. \$330 & \$380 + \$375 dep 736-0435

**607**  
**Office and Retail Rentals**

**KIMBERLY** Office space for lease. New construction, 1168 sq. ft. with shared common area of 583 sq. ft. Great location, across from the middle and high school. Will build to suit you. Call Troy 404-6181.

**KIMBERLY** Retail/office space. Kimberly rd. frontage. 1500-3000 sq. ft. \$1275-\$2100/mo. 733-8338

**NEED OFFICE SPACE?**  
Contact Walt Hess  
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**TWIN FALLS 734-4334**  
Offices, Retail Spaces  
Shop with Bay Door  
Great Location in TF & Jerome.  
Various Sizes at Great Prices

**TWIN FALLS** Beautiful Falls Ave. Office Space. Various sizes available. 208-320-6717.

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**TWIN FALLS** Office Space reasonably priced. Plenty of parking, all utilities included. 208-309-0365

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**TWIN FALLS** Office space, shop not incld, 210 sq. ft. 1253 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave E. \$350 mo.736-8400 or 212-8404

**608**  
**Commercial Property**

**TWIN FALLS** 3-2000 sq. ft. shops w/office or 1-unit w/2 room office. \$750 + dep. 734-9288 or 421-2832

**TWIN FALLS** New 600 sq ft office with 1600 sq ft shop. \$700 month no deposit. 1<sup>st</sup> mo free. 539-7426.

**TWIN FALLS** New Contractors Shops & Office. Heated, 1200 sq. ft., \$595. 208-404-6742

**610**  
**Storage/Warehouse**

**TWIN FALLS** 40x60 Airport Hanger w/10-ft doors \$249/mo 208-736-9294 Ask for Jackie

**614**  
**Wanted To Rent**

**WANTED** Teacher needs room to rent or roommate situation in Burley for school year. 208-484-5344

**616**  
**Roommates Wanted**

**TWIN FALLS** Huge fully furnished downstairs w/office & bath, ground level windows, near CSI, fenced backyard, some pets ok. \$475 + dep. 1149 N. Blake St. 208-721-1592

**700**  
**Agriculture**

**701**  
**Livestock/Poultry**

**BEEF** Half or whole, spring feed, extras lean. Call 539-9286 or 539-9285

**BLACK ANGUS** breeding bulls, semen tested. Call 208-358-0621 or 208-358-0736

**BOER GOATS** 4 breed does, purebred \$150 and 6 dec. 08 doe lings \$80. Kimberly 423-5521.

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**PEACOCK CHICKS**, hatched eggs. 208-934-9585 or 208-308-2782

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**703**  
**Horse and Tack**

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**Bill Royce Horseshoeing**  
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**TRAILWEST '03** 2 Horse Siant Load, Bumper Pull Horse Trailer for Sale. Great condition and not many miles. \$5,000 or best offer. Call 208-404-1878.

# Thrill-loving mom gives no sympathy to fearful daughter

**DEAR ABBY:** I'm a 15-year-old girl and I have always had a fear of heights. But my mother and sister love thrill rides. As a result, we often go to theme parks. When we do, I'll usually go on a couple of the "kiddie rides," which is what Mom calls "mild" rides. Mom and my sister try to drag me on the roller coasters, but I always say no.

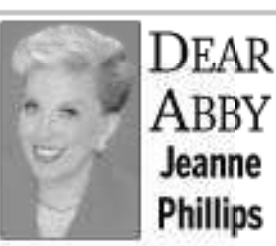
After I refuse a few times, Mom will finally snap. The last time it happened she said: "You know what? I'm not paying for your ticket if you're going to wimp out and not go on any rides."

I have been driven to tears more than once. She won't stop even if my friends are with us. I wish I could stay home when they go, but then my mom accuses me of being "antisocial."

Please tell me what I can do or say to her to make her stop doing this.

**- TIRED TEEN**  
IN COLTON, N.Y.

**DEAR TIRED TEEN:** Your mother may think that your refusal to go on the roller coaster (etc.) is a bid for attention, but she is wrong. She isn't taking into consideration how severe a fear of heights can be — some people require professional intervention to overcome it, and it costs a heck of a lot more than a ticket to a theme park. Because you can't



**DEAR ABBY**  
Jeanne Phillips

seem to get through to her, appeal to one of her friends or a close relative to help you get the message across. Believe me, you have my sympathy.

**DEAR ABBY:** In December, right before Christmas, my daughter and I went shopping. We visited several stores in a strip mall in the small town where we live. After returning to my vehicle, I left the wheelchair I use for long distances at the back for my daughter to load.

We were getting ready to leave town. I hurried home, wrapped the gifts I had bought, then rushed out again to deliver them in the next town. When we reached our next stop, I realized I had left my wallet in the pocket of my wheelchair. When I asked my daughter to retrieve it, she looked at me and said, "You took the wheelchair out?" That was when we realized she had forgotten to load it.

I started calling the stores to ask if anyone had turned in a wallet and wheelchair.

The answer was no. When I decided to call the sheriff's department and ask if anyone had turned the items in, the dispatcher began asking me all kinds of questions about my whereabouts and safety. Abby, they thought I had been kidnapped! I felt terrible for upsetting everyone.

I would like to thank the good Samaritan who turned in my wheelchair and my wallet, intact, with nothing missing. The items in it could have been replaced, but there is no way I could have replaced the wheelchair because it was expensive.

I would also like to thank the sheriff's department, which had a deputy at the door before I was off the phone with the dispatcher, for their quick response.

**- GINGER**  
IN LIVE OAK, FLA.

**DEAR GINGER:** I'm pleased to publish your testimonial to the fact that there are honest, caring people in this world. Of course, it's no surprise, but we seem to hear an awful lot more about sociopaths and psychopaths than we do the good people who make up the vast majority. And hats off to your sheriff's department, who handled the situation with proficiency, humanity and professionalism.

**IF JULY 5 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY:** Although your expectations are high and ambition is pushing you to make a major move, the summer isn't designed for career, job or business success. You may inadvertently work at cross-purposes with success this summer, so invest your time in building advantageous connections. In November you can make the biggest strides with your career aspirations or business aims if you don't get distracted by a new romantic interest or impossible scheme. Next March is the best time to put crucial plans into motion or accept opportunities that will bear fruit.

**ARIES (March 21-April 19):** If you act like the Artful Dodger this week, you will face the music. Financial and emotional sleight-of-hand could prove costly.

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20):** Scattered energies are deceptive. With so many irons in the fire, people might think you are working hard when you are just unfo-

**Today is Sunday, July 5, the 186th day of 2009. There are 179 days left in the year.**  
**Today's Highlight:**  
On July 5, 1865, William Booth founded the Salvation Army in London.

**On this date:**  
In 1811, Venezuela became the first South American country to declare independence from Spain.  
In 1830, the French occupied the North African city of Algiers.

In 1935, President Franklin D. Roosevelt signed the National Labor Relations Act.  
In 1940, during World War II, Britain and the Vichy government in France broke off diplomatic relations.  
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**ACROSS**  
1 Titanic obstacle  
5 Day care denizen  
9 Opening frames  
14 Try  
18 19th century tale of South Seas travel  
19 Reach via radio  
21 Girl George?  
22 Lobby for  
23 Cookie made with Chianti instead of figs?  
25 Wood for sashes?  
27 Like some pens  
28 Collect little by little  
30 Snack maker's pizza  
31 Need a doctor  
32 Samples from a doctor  
33 Atheistic  
34 Blue Danube relative?  
39 Lovey-  
40 Symbol of penance  
41 Dismayed cry  
42 Carpenter who sang  
43 Mochi  
46 Venturian native  
47 Highest in order  
48 Ray or Jay  
49 Scout outing  
50 Discovery of the mother lode?  
53 Malt drier  
55 Yankees' captain  
56 Small biological cavities  
57 "I'll say!"  
59 More than just big  
60 Hall rights to  
63 Unit of work  
65 "My Cousin Vinny" Oscar winner  
68 To boot  
70 Abates  
74 Hot spots  
75 Money maker  
76 Put an "X" where you want to cut the cord?  
78 Buck, for one  
79 Only just managed, with "out"  
81 Eats into  
83 UV index monitor  
84 Letters on a lunch menu  
85 Woolly, in a way  
86 Brilliance  
87 Jellied gamish  
89 Incline  
90 Female chiropractor?  
92 Thanksgiving activity  
95 Inn group  
97 Troop troupe sponsor, briefly  
98 Frequently traded, in the stock market  
99 1942 ballet with a hoodlum  
100 Create financial trouble for  
105 Squall at sea?  
107 "I never forget a face," e.g.?  
109 Tartan wraparound  
110 Discontinue  
111 Conjure up  
112 Work in the cutting room  
113 Citrus refreshers  
114 German seaport  
115 On in years  
116 Carmine's family?  
**DOWN**  
1 He beat Holyfield twice  
2 Islamic title  
3 Columnist Barrett  
4 Completely loses it  
5 High range  
6 Ketch kin  
7 Toy with a tail  
8 Paul Anka's "... Bees (That Kiss)"  
9 Lapidary's product  
10 Item on a forged document, perhaps  
11 Gopher's home? Abbr.  
12 Physique  
13 Brief visit  
14 Price factor  
15 Hooley  
16 David Copperfield's second wife  
17 Round at the bar  
20 Fire trucks  
24 They're at your fingertips  
26 God for whom Wednesday was named  
29 2001 U.S. Open champ Hewitt  
32 Turn on one foot  
33 "Earth in the Balance" author  
34 Balearic Islands capital  
35 Carrier that merged with Piedmont in 1989  
36 River through the Lake of Geneva  
37 Entrees  
38 Choir offering  
39 '80s Bond portrayer  
42 Buckwheat dish  
43 Sharp quality  
44 Strings of islands?  
45 Nothing more than  
47 Optic layer  
49 Talmud tongue  
51 Tertiary Period epoch  
52 "American Psycho" author  
54 USN VIPs  
55 Knight game  
57 Arabian Sea's Gull of  
58 Hack's question  
61 Point in time  
62 Star over  
64 Symbols of might  
65 Crypt  
66 Kind of round  
67 Get all goosey  
69 Metal playing marble  
71 Sasso Cesare  
72 Remove, as a brooch  
73 Word spoken with a two-fingered sign  
76 Gets into shape  
77 Forever partner?  
79 Fade away  
80 Double checker?  
82 Colts' home before Lucas Oil Stadium  
85 Oil source  
87 Ore analysis  
88 Third-party candidate, perhaps  
89 Is frugal  
91 Like many mammals  
92 Spongy cake  
93 Bitter  
94 Underground gate  
95 "What hath God wrought?" sender  
96 Commercial developers  
99 Route for Bob and Bing  
100 Industrial haze  
101 It's a drag  
102 Phenomenon measured by a marigath  
103 Oklahoma city  
104 Tawling gear  
105 President pro  
108 Costar of Teri Falcito, et al.



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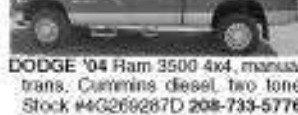
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DODGE '00 Dakota Sport, 102K miles, good cond. \$3600/offer. 208-308-4529 iv. msg.

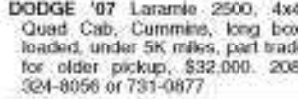


DODGE '01 Dually Cummins, standard trans, nice clean truck. \$14,950. 208-324-0069

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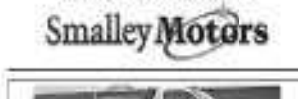
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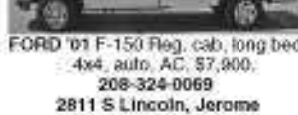
DODGE '95 Ram 1500 SLT, X-Cab, V-8, auto, PW, PL, cruise, long box, low \$2995



DODGE '99 X-Cab Cummins, PW, PL, AC, CD, auto long bed with stacks, \$12,900. 208-324-0069



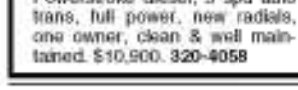
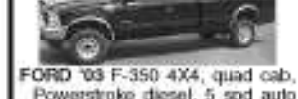
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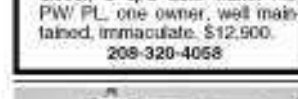
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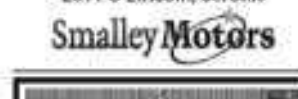
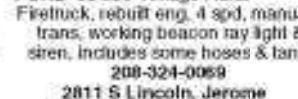
FORD '03 F-250, auto, Super clean, drives like new. \$3950



FORD '05 F-250 Crew Cab 4x4, nice, utility bed, powerstroke diesel, 5 spd auto trans. AC, PW, PL, one owner, well maintained, immaculate. \$12,900. 208-320-4058



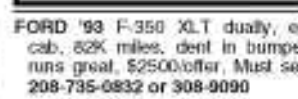
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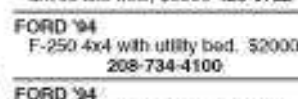
FORD '88 F-350 4x4, utility bed, V8, AT, AC, Ramsey 8000lb winch, 11' folding crane, new tires, 1 owner, fleet maint, low mi. \$4500. 320-4058.



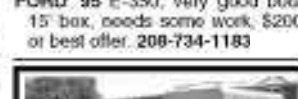
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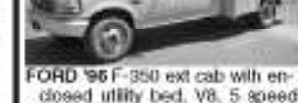
FORD '94 F-150 4x4, Ext. cab, CD, low package, super clean truck, drives like new, \$3500 420-6722



FORD '94 F-250 4x4 with utility bed. \$2000. 208-734-4100



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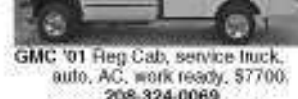
FORD '96 F-350 ext cab with enclosed utility bed, V8, 5 speed, new radials, Nice clean well maintained 1 owner in immaculate \$4500. 208-320-4058



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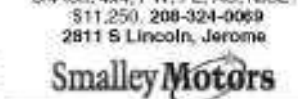
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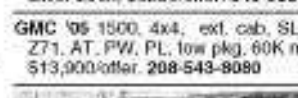
GMC '00 Sierra Reg Cab, long bed, 1500 V8, 4x4, AT, AC, PW, PL, bedliner, \$5800. 208-358-1088



GMC '01 Reg Cab, service truck, auto, AC, work ready, \$7700. 208-324-0069



GMC '02 Crew Cab, shortbed 34 ton, 4x4, PW, PL, AC, NICE! \$11,250. 208-324-0069



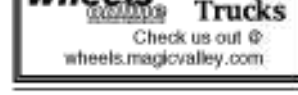
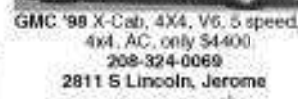
GMC '03 Sonoma runs great, 4 cyl, great gas mileage, k&n cold air intake, AC, eclipse CD player with 12" sub, 18" rims, 60,000 mi. \$6,500/offer. Call Kyle 539-5611



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MAZDA '00 B3000, 2WD, nice truck! \$3400. '91 Chevy Blazer, 4x4, \$1500 961-1470 or 961-0153



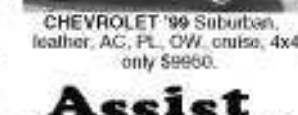
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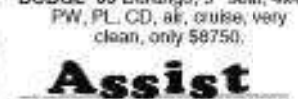
CHEVROLET '99 Suburban, leather, AC, PL, CV, cruise, 4x4, only \$9950.



CHEVY '07 Tahoe LT, 20,500 miles, exc cond., silver/black, 3" seat, \$23,000/offer. 208-316-0766



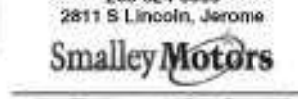
CHEVY '93 Blazer, 4dr, auto, PW, PL, AC, low, low miles, \$3750. 208-324-0069



DODGE '03 Durango, 3" seat, 4x4, PW, PL, CD, air, cruise, very clean, only \$8750.



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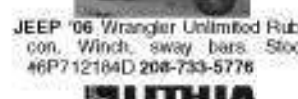
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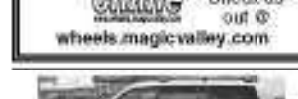
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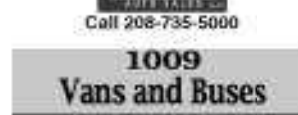
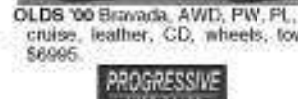
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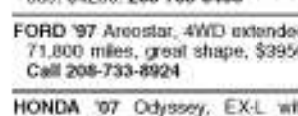
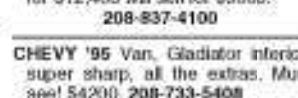
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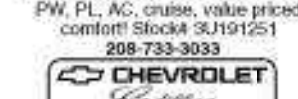
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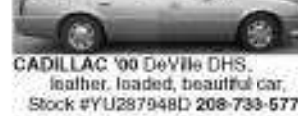
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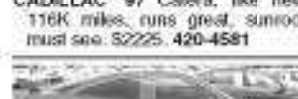
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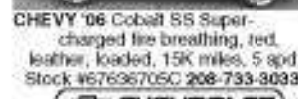
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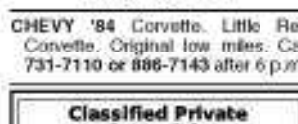


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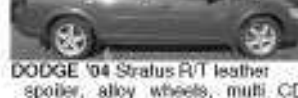
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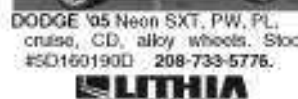
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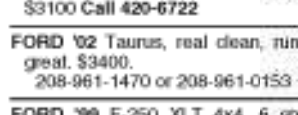
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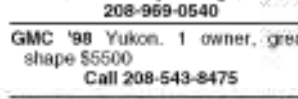
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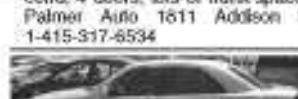
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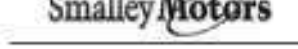
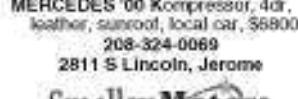
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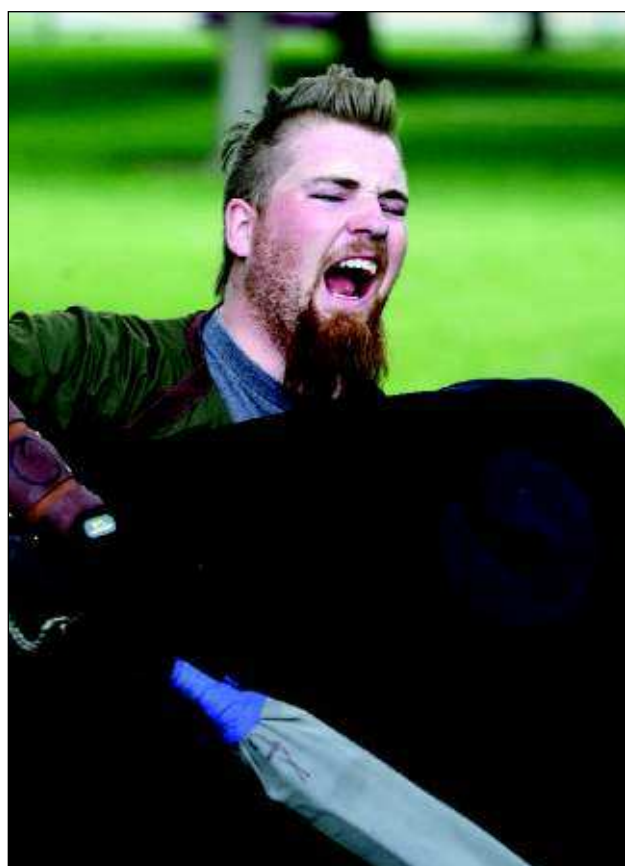
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Photos by ASHLEY SMITH/Times-News  
Karl Glenn screams before a fight in Twin Falls City Park in early June. Glenn says Belegarth Medieval Combat Society is like football with swords.

Leslie Neiwert fights a fellow member of the Belegarth Medieval Combat Society. Practice battles normally last only about 90 seconds.

Sean O'Keefe takes a defensive position while waiting to fight. 'We are all just one big family out here,' he says.

# camaraderie in combat

## Finding friends on the battlefield

By Melissa Davlin  
Times-News writer

**B**attle cries rang across Twin Falls City Park. Men and women stood on the grass, swords and staffs raised, waiting for the cue to rush their opponents and slaughter them. Nearby, two boys on a walk with their mother stared at the fighters as they hit each other with the weapons and fell to the ground. The mom pulled the boys back to her side and whisked them away, glancing over her shoulder at the foam sword-wielding group.

It's a common scene for the fighters of Shannara, the Twin Falls realm of Belegarth Medieval Combat Society. And despite the violent nature of the game, the bonds formed on the Twin Falls battlefield transfer into real life.

Belegarth is an international fighting organization based on medieval history. Regional organizations and local realms are spread across the U.S., each governed by a king and a queen. Realms often congregate to fight each other.

THE STORY CONTINUES ON FAMILY LIFE 3



Micheal Rogers pounds his shield before a fight.



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**WATCH** a video of the Belegarth Medieval Combat Society's fighting action in Twin Falls City Park.



Katie Holcomb takes aim at an opponent with a foam-covered arrow. She said it took a while to find the best way to balance the weight of the cushion at the end of the arrow and still make it fly straight for about 30 yards.



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:** Taco salad  
**Tuesday:** Baked ham  
**Wednesday:** Chicken alfredo  
**Thursday:** Stuffed peppers  
**Friday:** Fish and chips  
**ACTIVITIES:**  
**Today:** Melody Masters Dance, 2 to 5 p.m.  
 Singles dance, 6 to 11 p.m.  
**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.  
 Oil painting with Don Oman Let's Dance, 6 to 11 p.m.  
**Wednesday:** Cinnamon rolls for sale, 8:30 to 11:30 a.m.; \$1.50 each; coffee and roll, \$2  
 Quilting, 8 a.m.  
 Blood pressure, 11 a.m.  
 Duplicate bridge, 12:30 p.m.  
 Tai chi, 1 p.m., \$1  
 Foot clinic, 1 p.m.  
 Jackpot, Nev., trip, 3 p.m.  
 Elks Card Club, 7:30 p.m.  
**Thursday:** Pinochle, 1 p.m.  
 Oil painting with Don Oman Bunko  
**Friday:** Quilting, 8 a.m.  
 Bingo at lunch  
 Texas Hold'em, 1 p.m.  
 Tai chi, 1 p.m., \$1  
 Pinochle, 7 p.m.  
**Saturday:** Bingo, 1 to 3 p.m.

**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:** Veggie soup and sandwich  
**Tuesday:** Sloppy Joe  
**Wednesday:** Cook's choice  
**Thursday:** Chicken  
**ACTIVITIES:**  
**Today:** Roast dinner, 1 p.m.  
**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.  
**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:** Beef biscuit roll and gravy  
**Wednesday:** Chicken pot pie  
**Friday:** Roast beef  
**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.  
 Foot clinic  
 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:** Lemon pepper cod  
**Tuesday:** Lasagna  
**Wednesday:** Deli sandwich  
**Thursday:** Sweet-and-sour chicken  
**ACTIVITIES:**  
**Monday:** Pinochle, 12:30 p.m.

Wild one, 6 p.m.  
**Tuesday:** Blood pressure, 11:30 a.m.  
 Hand and foot, 6 p.m.  
**Wednesday:** Board meeting, 1 p.m.  
 Shuffleboard, 6 p.m.  
**Thursday:** Quilt social, 9 a.m.  
 Pinochle, 7 p.m.  
**Friday:** Bridge and duplicate bridge, 1 p.m.  
**Saturday:** Pinochle, 7 p.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:** Chicken  
**Wednesday:** Meatloaf  
**Friday:** Chicken pot pie  
**ACTIVITIES:**  
**Monday:** Blood draws, 8:30 to 10:30 a.m.  
**Wednesday:** Board meeting

**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:** Country-fried steak  
**Tuesday:** Parmesan chicken  
**Wednesday:** Ham  
**Thursday:** Turkey  
**Friday:** Oven-baked chicken  
**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 Pinochle, 7 p.m.  
**Thursday:** SilverSneakers exercise, 10:15 a.m.  
 Board meeting, 10 a.m.  
 Foot clinic, 1 p.m.  
**Friday:** SilverSneakers, 10:30 a.m.

Fiddlers, 12:30 p.m.  
 Pinochle, 1 p.m.  
 Kids Club, 3:30 to 5 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:** Chicken salad  
**Thursday:** Fish sandwich  
**ACTIVITIES:**  
**Wednesday:** Bingo, 7 p.m.  
**Saturday:** Pancake breakfast, 7:30 to 10:30 a.m.

**Richfield Senior Center**

130 S. Main, Richfield. Lunch at noon. Suggested donation: \$3.50, seniors; \$5.50, under 60.  
**MENUS:**  
**Monday:** Potato bar  
**Thursday:** Hamburgers

**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:** Popcorn chicken  
**Wednesday:** Meat salad sandwich and soup  
**Friday:** Potato bar  
**ACTIVITIES:**  
**Monday:** Exercise, 9 a.m.  
 Coffee, 9:30 a.m.  
 Quilting, 10:30 a.m.  
**Tuesday:** Pinochle with Gooding, 1 p.m.  
 Bingo  
**Wednesday:** Black Out Bingo, 12:30 p.m.  
**Thursday:** Trip to Hailey for Liberty Theatre  
**Friday:** Pinochle, 1 p.m.  
 Bingo  
 Glens Ferry theater

**Three Island Senior Center**

492 E. Cleveland Ave., Glens Ferry. Lunch at noon. Suggested donation: \$4, seniors; \$6, under 60; \$2.50, under 12. For rides: 366-2051. Center hours: 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.  
**MENUS:**  
**Monday:** Macaroni and cheese  
**Tuesday:** Chicken-fried steak  
**Thursday:** Chicken rice casserole  
**ACTIVITIES:**  
**Today:** Rest area safety break,

7 a.m. to 7 p.m.  
**Monday:** Fit and Fall Proof, 10:30 a.m.  
**Thursday:** Fit and Fall Proof, 10:30 a.m.  
**Friday:** TOPS, 10 a.m.  
 Cardio, 1 p.m.

**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.  
**MENUS:**  
**Tuesday:** Chicken stir-fry  
**Wednesday:** Pork chops  
**Friday:** Goulash  
**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:**  
**Monday:** Oven-fried chicken  
**Tuesday:** Beef and potato casserole  
**Wednesday:** Trout or chicken  
**Friday:** Chicken lasagna  
**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, 11:30 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 Schwideman 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:** Italian meatballs  
**Tuesday:** Reuben sandwich  
**Wednesday:** Birthday dinner  
**Thursday:** Sweet-and-sour chicken  
**Friday:** Enchiladas  
**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:** Porcupine balls in red sauce




**Mercy Housing**

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 Thanks to your donations, the community-wide celebration of the building of the 100th Home through the Single Family Self-Help Program was a great success.

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Make your own backyard fun

By William Weir  
 The Hartford Courant

Now that summer is nearing its height, let us turn our attention to lawn games.

And we don't mean croquet, which requires the purchase of an actual set, or volleyball, which requires physical exertion. Classically, a lawn game is assembled at home, preferably with things you already have, and can be played without ever putting down your beer or burger.

Boredom and lack of money are the mothers of invention when it comes to lawn games. Got some horseshoes lying around? Let's toss them at that stake. A can? Let's kick it around.

In this economy, if ever there were a summer for lawn games to thrive, this is it.

People still play the classics, such as horseshoes, but fewer people have horses, or horseshoes. Hence a new breed has arrived to maintain the "let's-toss-random-things-at-other-random-things" tradition. Golf balls, bags of cornmeal and oversize washers are the new lawn-game implements. You can buy sets for most of these games, but you can assemble your own variations at little or no cost.

One of the newest games is Ladder Ball, which originated in the Midwest a few years ago. It also goes by Ladder Toss, Blongo Ball and Bolo Toss. You can buy a version of it called Ladder Golf in stores

for \$60. But with some PVC pipe, 12 golf balls and string, you can make one for less. Numerous Web sites offer instructions for building your own set, including www.outdoorgameplayers.com/ladder-golf-game.html.

There are six "bolos" — two golf balls tied together with string (get balls with solid centers instead of liquid cores, because you have to drill a hole in each ball) — and two "ladders," which really look like gates made of pipes. Each ladder has three rungs and is about 3 feet high, 2 feet wide. They are placed about 20 feet from each other. Bolos should be about 18 inches long; use a different color of golf ball for each team.

Both teams stand at one of the ladders and try to toss the bolos at the other. You can create your own scoring system (there's some debate within the Ladder Toss community about whether the top or bottom rungs are more difficult). You also can try to knock opponents' bolos off the rungs, denying them points. Players get three throws per round, and scores generally go up to either 15 or 21.

Again in the Midwest, where these games seem to proliferate, tailgaters and barbecuers have taken to Corn Toss, also known as Cornhole. The game recently was featured on "The Colbert Report" (and, yes, Stephen Colbert did make fun of the name). We couldn't find any

sets in stores, but no worry — it basically amounts to tossing small bags of cornmeal, and you can make them at home.

Players throw the small bags of cornmeal (beanbags work, too) at a raised large piece of plywood with a hole in it. The object is to throw the most bags in the hole. Keeping with the lawn-game tradition, scoring is pretty loose.

Another popular entrant in the lawn-game genre is Washer Toss, in which play-

ers throw 2-inch-diameter washers at cups sunken into wooden boards. According to the Washer Pitching Association, you get 5 points for tossing a washer into a cup, 3 if it's hanging over the side of the cup and 1 point for being closer than any of the others. Again, scoring policies are loose.

We saw a University of Connecticut Huskies version of this game online retailing for \$65, but that seems way more than anyone should spend on washers and cups.

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Jolene Smith



# Teenage angst goes well with illegal fireworks

If your neighborhood looks like mine this morning, the Chinese have invaded your front lawn.

Making matters worse, you also have to clean up the mess.

The morning after Independence Day usually means a yard full of burnt-out ground flowers, singed bottle rockets on your roof, colored smoke bomb remnants roasted into the pavement, and a pile of pagoda fountains sitting in the gutter.



**SPILT MILK**  
**David Cooper**

Welcome to America, where we celebrate our liberty from the King of England by burning explosives made in communist China.

However, I come not to banish fireworks, but to praise them, even if they did turn me into a juvenile delinquent.

My real jones for fireworks took when I was 12. That summer when we lived in Salt Lake, my mother decided to pick up some extra money running a fireworks stand. Firework sales in Utah start weeks before July 4 and go through Pioneer Day celebration on July 24.

Some young kids are tempted by tobacco, alcohol or other high jinks — but for me it was all about the fireworks. My mother, however, said I wouldn't get any on my own.

Clearly, she was being irrational. Even worse, she was using a poor business plan. Topnotch sales teams are always intimately aware of the product they sell. Who better to sell customers on quality fireworks than a 12-year-old kid? Instead, this budding entrepreneur was shackled with rules. Those five weeks, working in a firework stand with no air conditioner and shelves of forbidden fruit around me, were a new level of purgatory.

So I resorted to evil and plotted to steal them. My crimes were made easier when the sales supervisor came one night and told us to remove a certain firework. When lit, a Panda Jack would spin on the ground then take off into the air. All explosive and airborne fireworks were illegal in Utah, so we had to take them off the shelf.

My mother assumed the supervisor took the fireworks. She assumed wrong.

Once July 4 came around, I think Mom was working the stand that night, leaving me to put on a fantastic show at home. Even our neighborhood cop who lived down the street was as giddy as a schoolgirl.

But you can imagine Mom's surprise the morning after, when her front lawn and driveway were littered with burnt fireworks — most of them with the familiar smiling Panda Jack decal.

I was busted. My brilliance in stealing fireworks was outdone by my stupidity in not destroying the evidence.

And so for the rest of that summer, I couldn't sell any more fireworks at the stand. I had to stay in our air-conditioned home and watch soap operas instead of Black Cat fire fountains.

If that's not brutal punishment, I don't know what is.

City Editor David Cooper has five children and a garage loaded with fireworks. Contact him at [dcooper@magicvalley.com](mailto:dcooper@magicvalley.com)

# Magicvalley.com launches 'mom' blogs

Times-News

Moms.

They share common joys and concerns, worries and wonders, questions and answers.

Starting Monday, the Times-News' Web site, [magicvalley.com](http://magicvalley.com), will launch two mommy blogs written by Twin Falls residents Shelley Bonnes and Susan Hilverda.

Bonnes, 35, will write the "Mom Speak" blog. She and her husband, Dan, are parents to Caleb, 6, Elton, 4, and Oliver, 11 months. She is a registered nurse certified in obstetrical nursing who works part time as a childbirth education coordinator. She has blogged on her own site for four years and checks out other mom bloggers. In fact, that's where she found information on a recall of toys even before it hit the news, Bonnes said.

She hopes her "Mom Speak" blog will provide a common ground for mothers to share information and support, Bonnes said.

"I hope that a local mom blog will create a forum for mothers to come to, to feel like there are others having



MEAGAN THOMPSON/Times-News

Mommy bloggers Shelley Bonnes with baby Oliver, left, and Susan Hilverda with baby Cameron watch as their youngest children meet for the first time Tuesday afternoon at Twin Falls' City Park. The Twin Falls women have three children each — and about the same ages. Bonnes and Hilverda will write about their motherhood experiences for the Times-News in the new Mommy Blogs at [magicvalley.com](http://magicvalley.com).

similar feelings and concerns while sharing information and ideas. I also felt like it would be fun and would help to bring mothers in the area together and stimulate good conversation and maybe help to build a network of moms in support of each other," she said.

"Shelley's blog combines a



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depth of knowledge, as well as the down-to-earth look about being a mom," said Pat Marcantonio, online editor for the Times-News.

Hilverda, a stay-at-home mom, will write the "Misadventures in Motherhood" blog. She and her husband, Brian, are parents to

Lauren, 6, Baker, 3, and Cameron, 1. They moved last August to Twin Falls, where her husband grew up. Hilverda, 31, attended Brigham Young University in Utah and received a degree in history. She has been writing a personal blog for three years.

"I read a lot of blogs and sometimes I get really good parenting ideas," she said. "I think we all have similar experiences."

Hilverda hopes to make a connection with other moms in area, their experiences and how they relate to her experiences.

"Susan's blogs were peppered with humor, which made her stand out. They made me laugh but still had some great observations about motherhood," Marcantonio said.

In fact, the name that Hilverda selected for her blog reflects her take on the topic.

"I don't sugarcoat motherhood," Hilverda said. "I think people appreciate that sometimes."

If you have topics for the Bonnes or Hilverda to address, comment on their blogs or send questions to [patm@magicvalley.com](mailto:patm@magicvalley.com).

## Combat

Continued from FL 1

The Twin Falls crowd includes several couples — and at least one ex-couple — who regularly duke it out. Experienced fighters often make up smaller teams to fight against the mass of less experienced newbies. Practice battles often end within 90 seconds, with slain team members strewn across the field. The fallen laugh and chat with the other dead warriors until the battle is over, when they spring back to life and resume the fight.

Modern touches pepper the field. The fighters wear sneakers and jeans under their robes, and the queen's indulgences include Doritos and Marlboros.

Most players adopt medieval-inspired names for their on-field characters. Kimberly fighter Sean O'Keefe goes by Hendell, and his wife, Kathrain, is known as Vysonyx. Field marshal Katie Holcomb goes by Aislyn.

The characters also have personas to match. On the field, Marcus and Cindy Jo Carlin are King Karion and Queen Moonstone of Shannara, ruling approximately 45 people of the realm. At a June fight, Cindy Jo sat on the battlefield perimeter with a gaggle of ladies-in-waiting, barking orders. At their Hailey home, though, the married couple is anything but demanding.

"We live a very quiet lifestyle," said Marcus Carlin, who has been fighting since 1997. "We have a very quiet home."



ASHLEY SMITH/Times-News

Several opponents gang up on Sean O'Keefe, center, in Twin Falls City Park.

The Carlins drive to Twin Falls every Thursday afternoon for the weekly fight. Although there are two Belegarth realms in Wood River Valley, the Carlins prefer the Twin

Falls fighters. The camaraderie carries into their everyday lives. The friends help each other move, give each other a shoulder to cry on and call each other to gossip. One

member, Shauna Beorchia, said she overcame a meth addiction with the help of new friends she made at Shannara. "It's ... the best place in the world to find friends.

## BELEGARTH BASICS

Weapons are divided into five classes and include javelins, arrows, rocks and staves. All are covered in foam, and injuries are rare. (Most injuries come from tripping, not being whacked with a foam sword.) Fighters dress in medieval-inspired garb, with tunics or kilts. A field marshal, dressed in yellow, oversees the fights to enforce the rules and keep the fighters safe. Information: [belegarth.com](http://belegarth.com) or 208-721-7855.

Real friends," Beorchia said, sitting on the grass after one Thursday battle.

Other members agreed. "We are all just one big family out here," O'Keefe said.

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## STORK REPORT

## St. Luke's Magic Valley Medical Center

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**Wyatt Timothy Quin Gilbert**, son of Shannon Nicole Klaas and Cole Quin Gilbert of Twin Falls, was born June 17, 2009.

**William Isaac Montgomery**, son of Sarah Rebekah and William Lon Montgomery of Shoshone, was born June 18, 2009.

**Kailee Rose Abramowski**, daughter of Randi Lynn and Justin Craig Abramowski of Twin Falls, was born June 21, 2009.

**Alia Whitney Wrobel**, daughter of Heather Rebecca and Stanley Adam Wrobel of Twin Falls, was born June 21, 2009.

**Kye Alexander Gunter**, son of Sheena Danielle and Kyle Gordon Gunter of Twin Falls, was born June 22, 2009.

**Jocelyn Lucille Looney**, daughter of Megan Renae and William Paul Looney of Wendell, was born June 22, 2009.

**Wyatt Lee Smith**, son of Hailey Anne and Jacob Lee Smith of Jerome, was born June 22, 2009.

**Ivy Nicolette Spagnolo**, daughter of Kathryn Amanda Larsen-Spagnolo and Justin Richard Spagnolo of Twin Falls, was born June 22, 2009.

**Cash Owen Bess**, son of Leah Marie and David Duane Bess of Buhl, was born June 23, 2009.

**Reese Renee Cederberg**, daughter of Amber Nicole and Gary Glenn Cederberg of Twin Falls, was born June 23, 2009.

**Noah Mylum Cronin**, son of Valerie and John Lindsey Cronin of Twin Falls, was born June 23, 2009.

**Ezra Facer Gillette**, son of Crystal and Larry Facer Gillette of Gooding, was born June 23, 2009.

**Haylee Kay Johnson**, daughter of Alecia Adair Johnson of Kimberly, was born June 23, 2009.

**Erik Gonzalez Lopez**, son of Aydee Yasmin Lopez Esquivel and Erik Gonzalez Alanis of Jerome, was born June 23, 2009.

**Aiyanah Jo Victoria Valles**, daughter of Delane Marie Studyvin of Jerome, was born June 23, 2009.

**David Carranza**, son of Sandra A. and Salvador S. Carranza of Twin Falls, was born June 24, 2009.

**Elizabeth Marie Cruz**, daughter of Reyna Guadalupe Cruz of Kimberly, was born June 24, 2009.

**Harper McKenna Rivera**, daughter of Megan Rae Adams and Ivan Aldaberto Rivera of Hansen, was born June 24, 2009.

**Jace Boone Blakeslee**, son of Stacey Jo and Shane David Blakeslee of Filer, was born June 25, 2009.

**Yadyrah Felipe-Sanchez**, daughter of Yesenia Sanchez-Ortuno and Octavio Felipe-Oliviera of Hollister, was born June 25, 2009.

**Abigail Rose Hendrix**, daughter of Alisha Danielle and Steven Richard Glenn Hendrix of Twin Falls, was born June 25, 2009.

**Sarah Michelle Larsen**, daughter of Connie Michelle and Lars Kenneth Larsen of Twin Falls, was born June 25, 2009.

**Ashlyn Elizabeth Fauvell**, daughter of Lindsay W. and Tyler Robert Fauvell of Twin Falls, was born June 26, 2009.

**Eleanor Mae Mosley**, daughter of Erin Elizabeth and Samuel Albert Mosley of Jerome, was born June 26, 2009.

**Rogan Jay Wiebe**, son of Rhonda Jean and Andrew Jay Wiebe of Buhl, was born June 26, 2009.

**Emily Anahi Covarrubias**, daughter of Magdalena and Jesus O. Covarrubias of Bliss, was born June 28, 2009.

**Alyssa Jazlene Rosas**, daughter of Bertha Elizabeth and Daniel Rosas of Heyburn, was born June 28, 2009.



Photos by JAH CHIKWENDIU/Washington Post

Gail Ertel swings her great-granddaughter McKenzie Campbell, 7, who is autistic, medically fragile and virtually blind, at their home in Woodbridge, Va. Ertel raised a large family and ran a day-care business, but she has her hands full as she struggles to care for McKenzie and make ends meet.

# A devotion that spans generations

## Woman's life revolves around disabled great-granddaughter

By Donna St. George  
The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — For Gail Ertel, who has 11 grown children, the golden years are all about McKenzie. She changes her diapers. Picks up her dropped toys and spilled cereal. Reads from her favorite storybooks. Sings as she sways the child in her mesh cocoon of a swing.

Their lives are bound across three generations, a great-grandmother in her 60s and a child of 7 who is autistic, medically fragile and virtually blind. McKenzie babbles but does not talk. Her sign language is minimal. In times of distress, she bites and flails.

The two share a rented townhouse in suburban Woodbridge, Va., where Ertel revealed the day McKenzie learned to eat a Cheerio, to clap her hands, to open a door. Ertel keeps faith in the child's possibilities, lifted by her deep embraces and sudden smiles, her humming of classical music. Recently, McKenzie used a cane for the first time. Ertel cried.

But the economic fragility of their lives has rarely been so clear — their difficulties showing how tough it can be to get by as the solo caregiver of a child with severe disabilities. This is especially so for older caregivers, who often have less income and more of their own medical issues. Nationally, nearly 200,000 children ages 5 to 17 with disabilities are in the care of a grandparent, according to census statistics.

Ertel's sense of stability unraveled when she learned in May that she was ineligible for a Medicaid benefit that helped keep her and McKenzie afloat — \$400 a week that Ertel had combined with her Social Security and McKenzie's disability check. For Ertel, it was no small irony that the imperiled benefit was for six hours a day of personal care, which Ertel provides round-the-clock.

Recently, Medicaid officials told The Washington Post that a mistake had been made and that the benefit was not in jeopardy. But Ertel's relief was offset by disappointment. Medicaid officials also said that as a paid caregiver, she is ineligible for respite care, which is what she had been seeking in the first place. It allows a few

hours' break every so often, with hired help to fill in.

So Ertel will get by, but will not get relieved, which advocates say is a problem. Time away from caregiving "is an absolute necessity, especially for an older grandmother," said Jill Kagan of the National Respite Coalition, who said that in some cases too much stress leads to arrangements such as foster care or institutionalization.

In 2001, Ertel's 16-year-old granddaughter gave birth to McKenzie Campbell. Three weeks later Ertel, a widow, took over the baby's care and closed her home day-care business of 19 years. Raising McKenzie, who was hospitalized 17 times in her first year, was unlike anything Ertel experienced with her own large brood.

Ertel's struggle is but one example of how difficult it can be to do well by children with disabilities and still pay the bills, said Dawn Peifer, president of the Virginia Association for Parents of Children With Visual Impairments. Many parents lose jobs as they juggle medical and therapy needs with work demands.

Peifer met Ertel and McKenzie four years ago at a workshop and has become a friend, Peifer said. "McKenzie's a smart little girl, and she's got a lot locked inside her little body, and the only one who seems to understand her is Gail."

Ertel said, "I'm pretty sure God prepared me for this years ago because he put me in the children business."

Kelli Castellino, who manages the office where McKenzie gets occupational therapy, said of Ertel: "She's a remarkable woman and does a great job with almost nothing. ... Gail just never gives up. She just rolls with it."

Ertel's days are defined by the child. She bathes her, cooks for her, gives her medicine. She stacks blocks. Plays music. Walks her around the block.

McKenzie sleeps four to five hours a night — so Ertel does, too. She gets by with what she calls "Navy showers" — five-minute affairs with McKenzie perched on the toilet while Ertel peers around the shower curtain.

McKenzie cannot be left alone for even minutes; she grabs objects off the counter,



Gail Ertel shares an affectionate moment with McKenzie. Ertel's days are devoted to meeting the child's needs.



Gail Ertel watches patiently as McKenzie throws a tantrum at their home in Woodbridge, Va. In moments of distress, McKenzie, who doesn't speak and has minimal sign language skills, bites and flails.

swishes her hands in toilets, puts everything in her mouth. Ertel monitors her hydration and blood sugar. Two months ago, McKenzie fell into adrenal crisis and landed in the emergency room. "A virus can be life-threatening," Ertel said.

Ertel has long pondered the mysteries of McKenzie's medical conditions. She rattles off diagnoses: frontal lobe dysgenesis, septo-optic dysplasia, optic nerve hypoplasia, panhypopituitarism, hypothyroidism, diabetes insipidus. The terms tumble out so easily that one practitioner recently interrupted her.

"What's your medical background?" he asked. "M-C-K-E-N-Z-I-E," she spelled out.

Ertel brightens as the child does — on a walk to feed the geese, during a choo-choo game in the living room, amid the familiar joy of a soft-baked sugar cookie. The good days are lighthearted. In June, McKenzie took her turn at bat with a Little League team for special-needs children.

She so charmed the coach that he carried her around

the bases.

The bad days are more stressful. On a recent trip to the supermarket, McKenzie tried to climb out of the shopping cart. She screamed and cried. She tried to bite. Ertel cut the trip short, but not before a fellow shopper cast her a long, disapproving look.

"She has no idea," Ertel said.

Jacquelyn Calbert, a neuro-developmental pediatrician at Children's National Medical Center, where McKenzie sees seven specialists in all, said that the girl has autism spectrum disorder and that the combination of visual and cognitive deficits has led to a significant developmental delay. In several ways, the child's functioning is much like a toddler's.

McKenzie understands more than she can express and responds to Ertel's voice, Calbert said. "There is definitely a connection," Calbert said. "She is comforted by her grandmother."

With the steely will of many parents of special-needs children, Ertel pushes for every opportunity she can

## A NATIONAL SNAPSHOT

- Number of children in the care of their grandparents: **2.5 million**
  - Number of grandparents raising children: **2.5 million**
  - Married grandparents raising children: **70 percent**
  - Percent of grandparent caregivers who are raising children ages 5 to 17 with disabilities: **11.8 percent**
  - Grandparents who are caregivers and have their own disabilities: **30 percent**
  - Grandparents who are caregivers over age 60 and have disabilities: **40 percent**
- SOURCE: Census data analysis by National Center on Grandfamilies at the nonprofit Generations United

spot for McKenzie — with therapists, doctors, teachers. She collects research papers in three-ring binders. Her small living room is dominated by McKenzie's yoga balls and special toys.

Several weeks ago, she had a long conference call with school officials and was delighted by the outcome: two weekly sessions of orientation and mobility training for McKenzie. The educators, she said, had decided on sessions of 20 minutes.

"She needs 30," Ertel insisted — and prevailed.

McKenzie is educated at home because she is medically fragile. She gets two hours a week with a special education teacher, an hour with vision and speech teachers, and an hour of mobility training. Ertel pays for an occupational therapist.

"I will never stop hoping, I will never stop praying, and I will never stop teaching and trying to reach her," Ertel said.



# A WEATHER-WISE WEDDING

By Jason Samenow  
The Washington Post

When planning a wedding, you have control over the guest list, the reception location and nearly every other detail of your big day. The one thing you can't control? The weather. It's innately chaotic, and no matter what anyone tells you, it can't be predicted months in advance.

So how should you plan for the weather, especially if you want to hold a ceremony or reception outside? To help you out, here's a five-step plan for a stress-free outdoor wedding:

## 1. Determine your ideal weather and identify windows of opportunity.

While "ideal" wedding weather is subjective, most people seem to be looking for a day that's dry and comfortably warm, but not hot. Let's assume that means temperatures from 70 to 85 degrees. Find out when your wedding location averages temperatures in this range (or the range of your choice). Weather.com has a great tool for this: just plug-in your location and it provides data on average temperature and precipitation throughout the year. It also provides daily temperature records (i.e., the hottest and coldest it's ever been on a given date) which will give you a sense of the full range of possible conditions.

With its mild temperatures, late April to early June and early September to early October are some of the more popular months for weddings. The wild card during these periods is precipitation, which is why Step 3 of our plan is so important. If you want to eliminate the chance of rain, consider a destination wedding at a location that has distinct dry seasons (such as southern California and some tropical islands) or is in the desert.

## 2. Select a date that provides the best chance of realizing ideal weather.

Weather isn't the only factor when choosing a date — venue availability, guest travel plans and other details have to be taken into consideration. But don't let the date slip too far outside the windows of opportunity you identified in Step 1 if you want good odds on cooperative weather.

When choosing your date, also consider the time of day during which you plan to hold your outdoor events. If you're planning an outdoor reception at night, temperatures will be falling. So that might mean you want to pick your date using low temperatures as the criteria instead of highs. And if your ideal temperatures range from 70 to 85 degrees, that would mean a summer wedding makes more sense than one in the late spring or early fall when it may become cold.

## 3. Develop a bad weather back-up plan.

There's an old saying: "climate is what you expect, weather is what you get." In other words, don't let what the average conditions at a location fool you into thinking those conditions are guaranteed. The date's highs may average 75, but that doesn't mean you won't face a chilly 50 or a sweltering 95. And unless you're holding an outdoor wedding at a place where it virtually never rains, you have to be prepared.

Determine how and where you'll move your event if there's rain or extreme temperatures. Discuss this back-up plan with caterers, florists, musicians and other key players ahead of time. When deciding whether or not to move your wedding into a climate-controlled environment, consider the comfort and health of your guests — especially the elderly who may be especially sensitive to heat, cold and getting wet.

## 4. Don't start checking the forecast until a week before your wedding.

As the wedding draws closer, you're going to want to know whether your outdoor setting is safe or whether you need to resort to your bad-weather plan. Unfortunately, reliable forecasts are not available very far in advance. You might get a general idea of what the day

will be like a week ahead of time, but a detailed, reliable forecast probably won't be available until a few days before the event.

The most challenging forecasts to plan for are those that include a 30 percent chance or so of thunderstorms. That's because these storms are often widely scattered and develop unpredictably. In these situations, one place might get drenched, while another 10 miles away stays bone dry. The only way to plan for these types of storms is to keep an eye on radar. Our advice: Find the weather geek attending your wedding (there's usually at least one) and give him or her radar duty. With radar information accessible on most PDAs, your helpful guest can warn you if a storm is bearing down.

## 5. Embrace and enjoy whatever weather your wedding day brings you.

Just because you can't control the weather doesn't mean it needs to be a source of stress. By understanding the range of weather possibilities for your wedding day and preparing for all of them, you can check weather right off your 500-item to-do list and then rejoice in your special day, rain or shine.

Jason Samenow is chief meteorologist for WashingtonPost.com's Capital Weather Gang blog.

## WEDDINGS

### Adams-Watterson

Scott and Teresa Adams of Burley announce the wedding and sealing of their daughter, Abrey Dawn Adams, to Owen Clay Watterson, son of Larry and Connie Watterson of Burley.



Abrey Adams and Owen Watterson

Abrey is a graduate of Declo High School and attends the College of Southern Idaho. She is employed with the Cassia County School District and owns her own photography business, Abrey Adams Photography, in Burley.

Owen is a graduate of Oakley High School. He is

employed with Larry Watterson at Aztex Gravel & Excavation in Burley.

The wedding took place June 21, 2008, in Burley, and the sealing was June 26, 2009, in the Salt Lake City Temple, SLC, Utah.

### Thomson-Godfrey

Don and Tonya Thomson are excited to announce the marriage of their daughter, Jennae Thomson, to Jess Godfrey, son of Alan and Brenda Godfrey of Garland Utah. The marriage took place June 6 in the Logan Utah LDS Temple.



Jennae Thomson and Jess Godfrey

Jennae was born in Lancaster, California, and moved with her family to Twin Falls, Idaho, in December of 1994. She graduated from Twin Falls High School and moved to Logan, Utah, to attend Utah State University.

Miss Thomson graduated in May of 2009, earning her bachelors degree in social work with an emphasis in child welfare.

Jess is a native of Garland, Utah. Following his

graduation from Bear River High School in Garland, he served a full-time mission for The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in the Washington, DC, South Mission. Upon returning, he attended Utah State University and will graduate in May of 2010 with a bachelors degree in mechanical engineering.

The couple resides in Logan, Utah.

## ENGAGEMENTS

### McClure-Costa

Mr. and Mrs. Barrett McClure and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Costa are proud to announce the engagement of their children, Annie McClure and Mario Costa.

The wedding will take place on July 11, 2009, in Buhl, Idaho.

"Finally Gettin' Hitched."



Mario Costa and Annie McClure

### Hanchey-Pohanka

Daisi Hanchey and Chris Pohanka are pleased to announce their engagement.

Daisi is the daughter of Bill and Jackie Hanchey of Kimberly. She is an Accounting Specialist at Idaho Power.

Chris is the son of Mike and Susan Pohanka of Jerome. He is a Region 4 Patrol Trooper with Idaho State Police.



Daisi Hanchey and Chris Pohanka

The wedding is set for August 15, 2009. The couple currently resides in Jerome.

### Anderson-Harris

Allen and Shanna Anderson of Rupert announce the engagement of their daughter, Tanna Marie, to Michael Robert Harris, son of Robert and Terri Harris of Burley.

Tanna is a graduate of Minico High School and has a business associate degree from College of Southern Idaho. She is currently employed at D.L. Evans Bank and Century Cinemas.

Michael is a graduate of Burley High School and has a business degree in golf course management from San Diego Golf Academy.



Tanna Anderson and Michael Harris

He is employed by Shay Watterson Construction and Century Cinemas.

Mike and Tanna have planned an evening wedding and reception at the Harris residence July 18.

The couple will reside in Burley.

To submit engagement, wedding and anniversary announcements, contact Janet Cranney at 735-3253, or e-mail her at [announcements@magicvalley.com](mailto:announcements@magicvalley.com).  
**Deadline is 5:00 pm Tuesday for the following Sunday.**

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# The wedding planner: Thinking outside the box

By Ellen McCarthy  
The Washington Post

Laura Weatherly, founder of the Washington-based wedding planning company Engaging Affairs, and Washington Post OnLove producer Ellen McCarthy were online recently to chat about thinking outside the bridal box when making a to-do list for the big day. Weatherly, who has worked as a professional wedding planner for almost 14 years, is the author of "Stop! Don't Plan a Wedding Without This Book."

Excerpts:  
**Q:** My brother just got engaged over the weekend to a great girl. Do you have any ideas of what my family or I could send them to congratulate them/help them start to think about the wedding?

**LW:** How about a great wedding planning guide or binder to start them off? And for something more sentimental, a lovely photo album or scrapbook where they can start compiling memories of their courtship and engagement.

Or put together a wedding survival gift basket with a couple of planning books, a bottle of champagne, some aspirin (just kidding), and a pretty notebook for the bride to take with her on wedding appointments.

**Q:** I want to have a large bridal party and I'm on a budget. What should or do I need to pay for, for each person in the bridal party?

**LW:** Large bridal parties can be one of the biggest budget busters. You will need flowers for all of the attendants. If you have a lot of bridesmaids, keep the bouquets simple and use seasonal flowers. You should provide transportation for them to the ceremony and reception (except ushers) plus give each person a gift of appreciation. ...

Attendants are responsible for purchasing the attire they will wear at the wedding. If you require bridesmaids to get hair and makeup done, then you should pay for it. You can always offer it as an option and let people decide whether or not they will choose to have it done (and pay for it). Always be clear about financial matters with your attendants so there is no confusion.

**Q:** Do you find more couples are concerned about costs with the problems in the economy?

**LW:** Couples are very aware of the economy and, although they are still getting married, they are looking for value. I say value instead of cheap because we all know that just because something is cheap, doesn't mean it is the best choice. We are very focused on finding the best value for our brides and grooms and letting them know the areas they spend on and the areas they shouldn't.

We are seeing less focus on all the extras that people used to feel compelled to do (favors, menus, programs) and more focus on the things that are important to the couple, whether that is music or food or flowers. Also, guest lists are shrinking in return to more intimate and personal weddings.

As the whole country refocuses on family and quality of life over material things, couples are bringing this to their weddings. I think it is a wonderful shift as I've always felt that weddings are personal and intimate events.

**Q:** Many people blame wedding planners such as yourself for the inane wedding-industrial complex. The theme goes that you are encouraging couples to spend a decent-sized (home) down payment. What do you say to these critics of your profession?

**LW:** I came into the business before the wedding industry had grown into what it is so I have seen the progression, and I can say that most wedding planners have little to do with the craziness. I'm sure some encourage spending but my focus has always been on helping clients find value and create an amazing wedding that looks far more expensive than it is.

The vast majority of wedding

planners don't pressure clients into spending more than they can afford. I have seen tons of magazines and TV shows spring up around the business that seem to push the concept of over-the-top weddings.

I also see the bridezilla phenomenon fostered by TV shows going for ratings and magazines that push the concept that a bride can do anything on her wedding day. I believe that this is wrong and that we have lost a bit of our concept of good manners in the race for the perfect wedding. A perfect bride is a gracious hostess who is concerned about her guests' enjoyment as well as her own.

**Q:** My fiancé and I are in our late 20s and none of our close friends or immediate family has kids. However, many cousins/acquaintances have kids. In some cases, four or more. I really hate to exclude kids and put the parents in a tight spot, but it's hard to justify letting invitees who we only see once or twice a year bring their big brood. Any ideas?

**LW:** This is one of the trickiest elements to deal with in wedding planning and I see problems with it all the time. Although it isn't proper etiquette to say "no children" on the invitation, you can include the information on your wedding Web site and have details about babysitters that you will provide for any guests with children. Providing childcare will silence anyone who complains that they can't get a sitter. I have had rooms set up near the reception with games, crafts and a kiddie buffet. You are under no obligation to have kids at your wedding but it is smart to make arrangements to ensure that they don't crash the party.



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# Kids Only



**Spin Master**  
If you've never done much more with a kite than get it airborne, you'll like the built-in stunt action of the Wind Chaser Stunt Kite (\$30). The controller at the end of the line makes the kite dip and dive.

## HOT TOYS FOR SUMMER

By Margaret Webb Pressler  
The Washington Post

Whether your summer plans include an exotic vacation, a trip to Grandma's or just a ton of outdoor time, you want some good toys to enjoy during your school-free months. We've found some cool new ideas that are sure to be a hit, as well as some familiar toys that have been reintroduced with a fun twist. For example, if you're going to play with a ball outside, why not play with one that can bounce 75 feet in the air? We knocked out a few ceiling tiles "testing" it for you. (These toys are widely available, except where noted.)

### Outside play

**Fortamajig**, *Happy Kid Co.*, 6+, \$70. (Available at [www.thehappykidcompany.com](http://www.thehappykidcompany.com).) Build a tent, fort, clubhouse or just a sunshade with this eight-foot square of high-quality tent material loaded with fasteners and loops. It's great for indoor forts, too, because it's so lightweight.

**Maxi Kick Scooter**, *Kickboard USA*, 6-10, \$150. This super-smooth scooter is more like a skateboard: There's a handle for balance and an excellent brake, but you lean your body to steer it. Even with double wheels in the front that add the stability of a skateboard, this scooter has a high cool factor.

**Sky Ball**, *Maui Toys*, all ages, \$9. This ball looks like any other mid-size bouncy ball — until it pops up over your head. The bounce in this ball is incredible, so get your friends together and see who can make it go the highest.

**Wind Chaser Stunt Kite**, *Spin Master*, 8+, \$30. If you've never



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been able to do much more with a kite than barely get it airborne, you'll like this version's built-in stunt action. The controller at the end of the line makes the kite dip and dive! You'll need a pretty windy day for this one, though!

### Outdoor water play

**AquaGlider**, *Zing Toys*, 5+, \$10. (Available at [www.aquaglider.us](http://www.aquaglider.us).) For every foot deep it is released, this cool glider will travel 10 feet through water. (Release it three feet down, and watch it glide for 30!) Adjustable wings make it curve or go straight.

**Submergency**, *Swimways*, 6+, \$20. Set this ball to float, sink or suspend in the middle of the water, then get to it before its timer goes off with an alarm that you can hear underwater. You can set the timer for 15 to 90 seconds.

**Turbo Fill Blasters**, *Fisher-Price*, 3-12, \$35 (one gun, one filler) or \$50 (two guns, one filler).

**Water Splashers Water Bombs**, *Imperial Toy*, 8+, \$3 (for 175 balloons). The least fun part of outdoor water games is refilling your ammunition, whether you're using a blaster or a balloon. With

clever attachments that fit directly on a hose, these toys make the task quick and easy, allowing nonstop water-fight fun.

### Great for travel

**Motion and Sing Scene TV Games**, *Jakks Pacific*, 5-10, \$30. These are a huge step up for plug-and-play TV games and are easy to take along for a rainy day. The microphone loads a fun singing game on your TV with 20 pop or country songs. The motion-sensing controller gives Wii-style

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If you're going to play with a ball outside, why not play with one that can bounce 75 feet in the air? The bounce in these Sky Balls (\$9 each) is incredible.



control (it's not wireless, though) over the action on-screen.

**TRIptivities**, *Klutz*, 8+, \$10. The people at Klutz put it this way: "The world has a deep and unquenchable need for kid-friendly travel toys." So they've released a new edition of their travel activity book full of brainteasers, puzzles, tricks and games that will keep you busy for hours.

### Cards to take along

**Boggle**, *Hasbro*, 8+, \$15. A fantastic revision of the original word-search game, with everything in one simple, sealed case, plus a built-in timer and smart turning mechanism that "sets" the letters after you

shake them. **Scrabble Slam**, *Hasbro*, 8+, from \$7. **Skip-Bo**, *Mattel*, 7+, about \$7. These are great options if you've had your fill of Uno. In Scrabble Slam, you're constantly trying to change the word in play by adding your own card on top of one of the letters, for example, changing "plum" to "plus." In Skip-Bo, you try to get rid of your cards by placing them in sequence on four piles. Both games are quick and fun for the whole family.

**Tic Tac Chec**, *Dream Green*, 6+, \$19. (Available at [www.dream-green.org](http://www.dream-green.org).) This game is a cross between tic-tac-toe and chess. The object is to get your four pieces in a row, but you learn the basic rules of chess to get there. The high-quality wood travel game comes in a convenient zipper case.



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## Why does ice cream melt?

By Stephen Lowman  
The Washington Post

There is a holiday coming up — one celebrated with a cone or a bowl, one scoop or two, chocolate syrup or sprinkles (maybe both!).

Yep, July is National Ice Cream Month and July 19 is National Ice Cream Day. President Ronald Reagan proclaimed it so in 1984. Whatever flavor you choose and whatever you choose to top it with, you can be sure that if you don't eat it fast enough it will become a sticky mess.

So why does ice cream melt? To find out, we talked to Sean O'Keefe. He is a professor and food chemist at Virginia Tech. O'Keefe

remembers playing cards and eating ice cream with his great-aunt when he was a kid. The ice cream at her house was his favorite because her freezer didn't work too well. That meant the ice cream was usually soft. It is an example of one reason ice cream melts: temperature.

O'Keefe explained that energy is present in both cold and warm objects. But the warmer an object is, the more energy it has. So when ice cream (a cold object) is eaten in a warm place (like your backyard in July), it quickly begins absorbing energy. Once a certain amount of energy has been absorbed, the ice cream begins to melt. It's like boiling water. The water will boil and turn into a gas once it has absorbed

enough energy from the heat of the stove.

Ingredients also affect how ice cream melts. Cream, sugar, eggs and fun things such as chocolate chips, cookie dough and fudge go into ice cream. One of the most important ingredients, however, is fat. It gives ice cream its creamy texture. It also helps determine how fast it melts. O'Keefe said non-fat ice cream will melt more slowly than regular ice cream because it contains more water. More water means the ice cream will have to absorb more energy before it can melt. Also, low-fat ice creams tend to have more air whipped into them, which allows them to keep their shape longer.

Finally, have you put a carton of melted ice cream back into the freezer? You probably noticed that it doesn't taste as good. It is rough and crunchy, right? This is because the water that melted from the ice cream refroze and expanded into large ice crystals.

Whew! There is a lot of science involved in eating ice cream. Just eat yours quickly before it drips all over your shirt!

