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## High court overturns conviction in '05 shotgun slaying

### Gambrel drug charges could complicate Pina retrial

By David Cooper  
Times-News writer

The Idaho Supreme Court issued a split decision Wednesday that dropped a first-degree murder conviction for a man involved with a 2005 Twin Falls shooting.

The conviction of Juan Carlos Fuentes Pina, one of two men convicted for the slaying of Jesse Naranjo, was

vacated on appeal by the Idaho Supreme Court on Wednesday. The five-justice high court ruled 3-2 that a Twin Falls jury was given improper instructions by Judge Richard Bevan before deliberating on the case.

Twin Falls County Prosecutor Grant Loebs disagreed with the decision, calling it "very complex." He said he has asked the state

attorney general to request that the high court re-examine its decision.

"There is enough ambiguity on how this case was done that it's reasonable to ask for them to examine it again," Loebs said. "Only after that decision is made, would this become final. At that point, my office would have to re-



Pina

prosecute this guy?"

Sara Thomas, who argued Pina's case for the State Appellate Public Defender's Office, said Bevan's instruction "allowed the jury to convict him without making the necessary finding" for first-degree murder.

A jury convicted Pina of first-degree murder after he was accused of participating in a kidnapping of Naranjo,

which ended in Naranjo's death at a Twin Falls drug house.

According to the high court's case summary, Naranjo went to the drug house where Pina led him inside, and then ordered him to kneel at gunpoint. Johnny A. Shores, who had been asleep at the house, then joined the two and demanded that Pina give him the shotgun.

During the transfer of the shotgun Naranjo tried to

wrestle it away. In the scuffle, Shores kept the gun and fired a shot at the fleeing Naranjo, hitting him in the abdomen. He later bled to death.

Shores pleaded guilty to voluntary manslaughter and was sentenced to 23 years in prison, with the possibility of parole after 7 1/2 years. He testified against Pina.

At the trial overseen by 5th District Judge Richard

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# State, Blue Cross break off vaccine program

### Lack of bids doomed attempt to blunt cuts

By Nate Poppino  
Times-News writer

An agreement between the state of Idaho and a major insurance company to patch up cuts in a childhood vaccine program has fallen through after bids for the vaccines came up short.

Tom Shanahan, spokesman for the Idaho Department of Health and Welfare, said Thursday morning that the state received only one bid in its search for a manufacturer to provide vaccines for use by Blue Cross of Idaho clients. That bid didn't cover everything officials asked for and wasn't a competitive price, he said, leading the agency and the insurer to drop their plans for the program.

"If we can't offer cost savings for the parents and convenience for the providers, then we might as well not proceed," he said.

Blue Cross spokesman Stewart Johnson said the decision was "disappointing" for his company.

The arrangement, set to start in August, would have soothed part of nearly \$3 million in cuts to a program that previously provided free vaccinations to all Idaho children under the age of 19. As of July 1, the state now only participates in a basic federal program that provides vaccines for children with Medicaid, who are uninsured, whose insurance doesn't cover vaccines or who are American Indians or Alaskan Natives.

The federal program still covers about 60 percent of Idaho kids. But Susie Pouliot, CEO of the Idaho Medical Association, said she worries what the cuts will do to

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—Tom Shanahan, spokesman for the Idaho Department of Health and Welfare

## Child believed drowned in Little Wood River

### Girl went in water from bridge at Shoshone City Park

By John Plestina  
Times-News writer

SHOSHONE — The presumed Thursday drowning in the Little Wood River of a young girl prompted search and rescue efforts by at least eight law enforcement and fire agencies.

Shoshone Police Chief Jon Daubner told the *Times-News* he believed the girl was 8 years old but neither he nor Lincoln County Sheriff Kevin Ellis would identify her.

Although the nearby

Lincoln County Swimming Pool was open at the time of the accident, children do swim in the river, Daubner said. He said the girl went in the water from a bridge in the Shoshone City Park.

"She jumped in the water and struggled a bit," he said. "That's when they last saw her."

Shoshone Fire Chief Steve Stock, one of several divers who searched for the child, said a 911 call came in at 3:45 p.m.

Arlene Ballard, who lives near where the girl slipped under the water, said it was the girl's 9-year-old brother who called for help.

"This is a very swift river,

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MEAGAN THOMPSON/Times-News

Family members of an unidentified girl who officials presumed drowned Thursday afternoon shed tears while they wait on the banks of the Little Wood River in Shoshone as search and rescue divers combed the river in search of the child.

## County residents share thoughts on Gateway West project

By Nate Poppino  
Times-News writer

### TAKE PART

Idaho Power Co. launched another series of town hall meetings on a massive, proposed transmission project Thursday evening, this time trading Cassia County — the site of recent criticism — for the Twin Falls City Council Chambers.

County officials, state legislators, private landowners and other Twin Falls County residents came together to offer their thoughts on the Gateway West project, an attempt by Idaho Power and Rocky Mountain Power to link much of southern Idaho and Wyoming with 1,150

Future meetings about Gateway West in the Magic Valley include:  
7 to 9 p.m., July 21, Jerome County Office Annex, 233 W. Main St.  
7 to 9 p.m., July 22, Gooding County Planning & Zoning, 147 Seventh Ave. W.

miles of new high-power transmission lines.

The proposed route provokes a certain amount of controversy. In Twin Falls County, it runs right over Balanced Rock Park and narrowly avoids Artesian City, the latter recently the

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## Twin Falls Co. hears assessment complaints

By Nichole Carnell  
Times-News writer

Twin Falls County commissioners, acting as the Board of Equalization, will continue to hear complaints from property owners regarding assessments today and Monday.

Approximately 150 county property owners filed assessment complaints this year,

although many were able to reach a compromise with the Twin Falls County Assessor's Office, according to Twin Falls County Appraiser John Knappe.

The number of complaints this year is high, said Commissioner Terry Kramer. Eight cases made it to the BOE in 2006, followed by 130 in 2007.

Of the complaints being

heard, many property owners are claiming that their assessed value is above the present market price of their property. Currently, market price is the only component used to determine value, although Commissioner Tom Mikesell suggested the county adopt a method of measuring income value for commercial properties next year.

Twin Falls County Assessor

Gerry Bowden told homeowner Jack Blair Thursday that there are statutory regulations that control the time in which the market is evaluated. The assessed market evaluation was conducted between October 2007 and September 2008, said Bowden.

Blair appealed his property's assessment to Bowden's

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## You Don't Say

Steve Crump



# Who kidnapped Kate O'Hare?

Why has Balanced Rock remained standing for centuries? ... Is the Malad River really the shortest river in the world? ... And what the heck does Nat-Soo-Pah mean? ...

Enduring mysteries all, but they've been solved ... The only thing we still don't know is who kidnapped Kate Richards O'Hare ...

O'Hare, an outspoken socialist, was abducted from the front porch of a political supporter, Hugo Freedheim, in Twin Falls on July 1, 1921 ... Ten men hustled her into a car and drove south into the Nevada desert ...

A 44-year-old activist who had been jailed during World War I under the Espionage Act, O'Hare was — by the first year of the Warren Harding administration — one of the few leading reds who had not been forced into exile ... She traveled the country, baiting veterans' and conservative groups, and demanding the release of other socialists ...

That was her purpose when she showed up in Twin Falls, according to Hugh Lovin, a retired professor of history at Boise State University ... On the day before, the City Council had passed an ordinance forbidding speechmaking in the streets or at meeting places without the city's permission ... So O'Hare decided to speak in an auto repair and welding shop — private property ...

Three hours before her speech, O'Hare was kidnapped ... Early the next morning, she wandered into Montello, Nev., a railroad town located four miles from

### SAW WHAT?

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the Utah border ... She told Deputy Sheriff Bert Robinson she'd escaped from her captors ...

Robinson found nine suspects in a Montello cafe, but didn't have a warrant to arrest them ... So he sent them back to Twin Falls, and O'Hare went on to Pocatello where she had a speech scheduled for July 3 ...

O'Hare telegraphed Idaho Gov. D.W. Davis, a conservative Republican, and demand that her kidnapers be arrested ... Davis declined, saying he didn't know whom to arrest ... Twin Falls city and county law enforcement likewise professed ignorance, although O'Hare claimed she knew some of her captors' names — and the fact that they included members of the Twin Falls American Legion post and "prominent businessmen" ...

She threatened a civil suit, but never filed it ... None of the 10 men allegedly involved in the incident were ever publicly identified ...

O'Hare never returned to Idaho, going back home to St. Louis where she published her magazine, the *National Rip-Saw*, and campaigned for segregation ... For as far left as O'Hare was, she was also a devoted racist ...

Steve Crump is the Times-News Opinion editor.

# Water, sewer hookup fees nearly double in Jerome

By John Plestina  
Times-News writer

JEROME — The costs of new water and sewer connections nearly doubled Tuesday when the Jerome City Council approved a new fee schedule.

Fees for cutting into city roads to provide residential access to water and sewer lines beneath roadways increased from \$525 to \$900 for full-road cuts and from \$265 to \$500 for half-road cuts.

Developers pay a lower cost, which increases from \$50 to \$75 for full-road cuts and from \$25 to \$50 for half-road cuts.

City Administrator Ben Marchant said the reason for the lower developer fees is because builders do the pavement cutting and repaving at their own expense. In such situations, the city only inspects the work.

He said increasing operating and maintenance costs are the reason for the higher fees.

"They hadn't been raised for many years," Marchant said. "Historically, there has been little attention to it."

No one protested the new fees during a public hearing the city was required to hold because the increases surpassed a 5 percent threshold.

# Impact fees expected to kick in Aug. 1

By Jared S. Hopkins  
Times-News writer



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WATCH interviews with advisory board members about whether impact fees should be delayed.

The Twin Falls Impact Fee Advisory Committee voted 5-1 Thursday to recommend the City Council implement its impact fees as planned on Aug. 1.

The City Council adopted the impact fees in January but agreed to delay implementation until August to allow the construction community, already hampered by a slumping housing market and economic downturn, some extra time to prepare. Impact fees are assessed to builders to pay for infrastructure improvements necessitated by growth.

The decision came as city staff and the committee acknowledged little money is expected from the fees in the immediate future because of the slowdown in

local construction.

Builders will have to pay \$1,606 for a single-family home, \$1.68 per square-foot of retail space, in addition to other fees for commercial space. The final amounts were pared down by the committee from initial recommendations that charged \$4,977 for a single-family home.

The impact fees were calculated using about 550 annual building permits, a figure that comes from the city's new comprehensive plan — which was crafted during the housing boom.

But the current fiscal year has yielded fewer than 100 building permits, which city officials said is likely to be the lowest in years.

The only opposing vote came from Committee Chairman Tony Hughes on the grounds the fees will further hurt the industry and should be delayed until the economy shows signs of recovery.

"I don't think you're gonna collect enough money to do any good," said Hughes, who owns a building company. Earlier in the meeting he argued that the impact fees are set up to tax future growth for the recent boom years that went untaxed.

Other committee members, however, countered Hughes.

"But if you don't start the process, you're never gonna get there," said Jeff Gooding.

Added Gary Burkett, "Every person who buys a building permit and impacts the growth needs to start paying now."

Under state law, any revenue from the fees — which can be used only for projects associated with growth — must be used within eight years. After that point, it's reimbursed to the builder if not used. The city has not incorporated any revenue into next year's preliminary budget, said Assistant City Manager Travis Rothweiler.

The committee also agreed Monday to add the first street project to be eligible for impact fee revenue. Previously, the only projects were traffic signals. The committee waited until the legislative session ended to see if alternative revenue would become available, which didn't happen.

## AROUND THE VALLEY

### Community Action annual meeting planned for Thursday

South Central Community Action Partnership's annual board meeting will be

held at 6:30 p.m. Thursday at the nonprofit's Twin Falls office, 550 Washington St. S.

The organization uses federal grants and other resources to help the Magic Valley's low-income population. Its business meeting is

open to the public. Information: Ken Robinette, 208-733-9351.

### T.F. Co. museum work day postponed

The planned Saturday

work day at the Twin Falls County Historical Museum on U.S. Highway 30 at Curry crossing has been postponed.

A rescheduled date for the event has not been announced. Information: 736-4675. — staff reports

# Gooding schools budget reduced by \$660K

By John Plestina  
Times-News writer

GOODING — Declining enrollment and state funding cuts have the Gooding School District facing a \$660,000 budget reduction for the new fiscal year.

School trustees on June 9 approved a \$9.4 million budget that reflects a decrease of more than \$660,000 from the nearly \$10.1 million amended budget for the previous fiscal year, which ended June 30.

"I think the budget gives you a better picture if you go back three or four years instead of the last two years," said Superintendent Heather Williams.

She cited \$6.2 million in budgeted general fund spending this year, compared to \$7.7 million during 2007-08 and \$7.6 million the previous year.

North Valley Academy, a charter school in Gooding, opened last August and has attracted about 110 student transfers from Gooding schools.

"Enrollment is down partly because of the charter school and it's been on a downward trend for awhile," Williams said. "We're losing some students but not all to the charter school. We have

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— Superintendent Heather Williams

families moving out of Gooding because of the downturn in the economy?"

District enrollment is projected at about 1,100 students for the start of the school year, down from 1,181 last year. District enrollment was as high as 1,345 during the mid-1990s.

On a positive note, Williams said, no teachers are facing layoffs or salary reductions. New teachers with no prior experience, however, will start at \$30,915, down from \$31,750 last year.

The district also hopes to save some money with a four-day school week, approved by trustees during the spring after several surveys of parents.

Williams estimated that about 75 percent of parents in Gooding support the change. "When we went into it, we didn't really anticipate on saving very much. It looks like we'll save about \$60,000 on transportation," Williams said.

Williams said she expects

the four-day week to reduce absences and narrow the gap between average daily attendance, which determines state funding, and enrollment. That could translate into more state dollars for the district.

"We would actually receive more funding for the same number of kids enrolled," she said.

Gooding is anticipating more than \$300,000 in federal stimulus funding. Those funds are limited for use with Title I and IDEA (Individuals with Disabilities Education Act) programs.

"It's very specific how we can use those funds. We're limited," Williams said.

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## One of Life's Special Moments

Vivian Knighton  
100th Birthday  
July 14, 2009

Please join Vivian Knighton as she celebrates her 100th birthday on Saturday, July 11, 2009, with her family and friends. If you know Vivian or her children, you are invited to an open house on Saturday, July 11th, at the Red Lion Canyon Springs Inn, located at 1357 Blue Lakes Boulevard N in Twin Falls, between the hours of 2:00 and 4:00 in the afternoon.

A century is a long time and Vivian has seen a lot of changes in her life. Vivian still maintains her great sense of humor. We encourage you to bring pictures and be prepared to share your favorite stories and memories of Vivian if you would like.

Vivian was born on July 14, 1909 in Tyrone, Oklahoma. She is the third of four daughters born to James and Minnie Cayton. Her family moved to Colorado in a covered wagon when she was only 5 months old. They lived in a dugout until her father was able to build a home on their homestead in Baca County in southeastern Colorado.

Vivian met her cowboy, Roy Knighton, and they were married on February 3, 1929. The first three children were born in Colorado; the last three were born after Vivian and Roy moved to Idaho in 1935. Roy passed away in 1973. They were married 44 years.

Vivian has lived in Hazelton, Murtaugh and Twin Falls. She is currently residing at Stony Creek Living Center in Twin Falls. Vivian is a hardworking woman who has always taken care of, and responsibility for, her family. Family always comes first with Vivian. We, her family, are so blessed to still have her. She has always been our anchor and she still adds to our lives everyday.

Vivian is blessed to still have all six of her children, ten grandchildren (one deceased), 18 great-grandchildren, and eight great-great-grandchildren. Vivian's children are: Orville (Darleen) Knighton, Freida (Joe) Young, Barbara (Blair) Hall and Bernard (Kay) Knighton all of Twin Falls; Bernadean (Bill) Daniels of Boise and Deloris Durk of Hillsboro, Oregon.



## Capps Holdings puts downtown Boise lot on market for nearly \$4 million

BOISE (AP) — A lot in downtown Boise that was originally planned to be the site of the state's tallest tower — but that turned into a long-vacant, half-acre hole — has been placed on the market for nearly \$4 million.

California developer Roberts Capps has listed the site at \$3.95 million. Capps Holdings acquired the property at a foreclosure auction in April when no other bidders emerged.

Capps Holdings foreclosed on the property after developer Gary D. Rogers' company Charterhouse Boise Downtown Properties defaulted on a \$2.5 million loan. Charterhouse acquired the site from former developer Rick Peterson in 2006.



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# COMMUNITY

## Twin Falls

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## T.F. now an Idaho Heritage City

Times-News

The city of Twin Falls recently was named Idaho's 21st city to earn Idaho Heritage City status, city officials announced Monday.

Sponsored by the Association of Idaho Cities and the Idaho State Historical Society, the Idaho Heritage City program directs Idaho cities in protecting and making available information about historical buildings, artifacts, records, written materials, photos and oral recollections of communities.

"This is really an important accomplishment," said Twin Falls City Councilman Lee Heider, a member of the Twin Falls Historical Preservation Commission. "I think any time you have a wonderful history, you want to take pride in that. If you take pride in your history, then you take pride in the present and in making history."

Heider said the program serves those with deep roots in the community, as well as recent transplants seeking to learn about the city.

Twin Falls resident Fran Frost, who did much of the legwork in completing the program, said, "What really stood out when we started putting everything in order is we found most of the work had already been completed by various local government agencies and organizations. It was really amazing to see how much people here value their heritage."

Information: [www.idahohistory.net](http://www.idahohistory.net).

# FLYING HIGH



Photos by BLAIR KOCH/For the Times-News

TOP, Buhl resident Neil Ring was all smiles during a June 26 hangar-warming party at the Buhl Municipal Airport in celebration of his purchase of an N3N-3 World War II trainer plane, one of only 20 registered and flying models in the United States. ABOVE, the plane taxis into a hangar at the Buhl Municipal Airport.

## Buhl resident buys historical WWII plane

By Blair Koch  
Times-News correspondent

BUHL — The 1941 N3N-3 Navy biplane is as much a part of aviation history as the pilots who trained in them.

Just 20 of the planes are registered and flying in the United States. But if you keep your eye to the sky you may just see one of the bright yellow aircraft over Buhl.

Neil Ring, of Buhl, recently purchased one of the Naval Aircraft Factory-produced biplanes from another pilot in Texas.

"I like the exterior round engine

and I've got a little engine," Ring said, pointing to another plane in his hangar. "But I've always wanted the real thing. I love the open cockpit."

Although Ring has been flying for almost 20 years the N3N-3 requires additional training and certification. With a few more hours under his belt, Ring will be ready for his first solo flight in the historical plane.

"I'm not comfortable yet — it's a handful," Ring said. "But I'm loving it, just loving it."

Ring said he's wanted a World War II-era biplane for more than 10 years. However joyous Ring is

with his new purchase, he was in even higher spirits when several veterans, many of whom trained on planes just like the "N," got to see the plane up close during a hangar party on June 26 at the Buhl Municipal Airport.

"It brings chills to see it ... to see how in awe these guys are with this plane," Ring said. "They're just like kids again and it's so cool."

The N3N-3s were produced as a primary trainer for cadets during World War II at the Naval Aircraft Factory in Philadelphia, one of the

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## COMMUNITY NEWS

### Food drive being held at Magic Valley Mall

Maurice's store in the Magic Valley Mall is holding a food drive to help feed area families.

Nonperishable food items will be collected at the store today through Sunday to benefit South Central Community Action Partnership's support of families in need.

For every three food items donated, customers will receive a coupon for 20 percent off one regular-priced store item.

### Nat-Soo-Pah offers swimming lessons

Swimming lessons are being offered at Nat-Soo-Pah.

Registration will be held at 9 a.m. July 20. Sessions will run July 21-23 and July 27-30.

Information: Jennie Pastoor, 655-4341 or Nat-Soo-Pah, 655-4337.

### Twin Falls High School 10-year reunion nears

The Twin Falls High School class of 1999 will celebrate its 10-year class reunion on Aug. 8. A family picnic will be held at 11:30 a.m. at Rock Creek Park. A semiformal event will be held at 6:30 p.m. at the Canyon Crest Dining and Event Center.

Register online at [www.tfhs99.com](http://www.tfhs99.com). Information: [tfhs99@gmail.com](mailto:tfhs99@gmail.com).

### Keyt graduates from Nebraska medical school

Holly Lynn Keyt, daughter of David and Sherie Keyt of Twin Falls, graduated from the University of Nebraska College of Medicine in Omaha on May 1 with a medical doctor degree.



Keyt

Keyt graduated from Twin Falls High School in 2001. She is a 2005 bachelor of arts honors graduate of Pepperdine University in California in political science. She continues her training in internal medicine at Providence St. Vincent Medical Center in Portland, Ore.

### Jussel selected to federal court position

Kevin Jussel has been selected to serve an externship with Judge John C. Coughenour at the Federal District Court for the Western District of Washington. He was selected to serve the court in the research of procedural and evidentiary rules, preparation of bench briefs and recommendations for the court.

Jussel is a graduate student at the Seattle University School of Law where he is seeking a juris doctorate degree. He also serves as a research and technical editor for the *Seattle University Law Review*. He is a 2007 honors graduate of California Lutheran University and graduated from Twin Falls High School in 2003.

He is the son of Brent and Sandra Jussel and the grandson of John and Helen Dejesus of Twin Falls.

### Roth, Sparrow complete Army basic training

Army National Guard Pfc. Adam Roth has graduated from Basic Combat Training at Fort Sill, Lawton, Okla.

Roth is the son of Val Roth of Twin Falls and a 2007 graduate of Twin Falls High School.

Army National Guard Pfc. America C. Sparrow has graduated from basic combat training at Fort Jackson, Columbia, S.C.

She is the daughter of Cecilia Y. Herrera of Twin Falls.

— staff reports

## TWIN FALLS HIGH SCHOOL HONOR ROLL

Twin Falls High School announced its second semester honor roll.

### SENIORS

#### 4.0 grade-point average

Weston Bennett, Steven Boomhower, Elizabeth Brunelle, Jamie Buckingham, Katrina Colby, Nicholas Cosinteno, Russell Crane, Katelyn Fjeld, Alexa Gregg, Danielle Martens, Derek McDowell, Leya Murphey, Lucie Pailova, Kaitlyn Pearl, Kaitlyn Petty, Ashley Povey, Taylor Pulsipher, Chelsea Retmier, Lily Saldivar, Kylar Savage, Angel Uchiyama, Tyler Ware, Cody Xoumanivong.

#### 3.99 to 3.5

Brennah Bailey, Justin Barrow, Tove Beckstead, Ian Birch, Melissa Bolton, Randal Borlase, Cassandra Cameron, Braden Caspersen, Teresa Chavez, Jordan Crider, Michell Crowley, Joshua Dean, Kelsey DeBoard, Kimberly Dolecheck, Brandy Elam, Justin Elmer, Erica Farnsworth, Sara Federico, Camille Flournoy, Jacob Fuchs, Mason Goodman, Brodie Hall, Jacob Hanchey, Tyler Hash, Lindsay Henderson, Anna Henson, Stephanie Hiemstra, Amanda Himple, Tylor Hine, Ander Jayo, William Kezele, Hannah McNeley, Emina Mesic, Elizabeth Middleton, Leslie Neiwert, Mari Neiwirth, Melissa Nikolov, Baylee, Orr, Allison Pfefferle, Krickett Piazza, Kyle Rees, Dora Renteria, Emilie Richards, Ryan Roberts, Liliana Rodriguez, Timothy Sheen, Maggie Tang, Zachary Thomas, Brett Treanor.



Kayla Urrutia, James Webb, Michelle White, Emilee Williams, Savannah Wilson.

### JUNIORS

#### 4.0

Matthew Ashby, Rees Atkins, Andrew Bortz, Lynne Crandall, Brett Kohring, Erica Martens, Kevin McKain, Kenneth Petersen, Colin Reed, Shaile Serr, Sarah Stephenson, Tuyen Tran, Emily Williams.

#### 3.99 to 3.5

Nathan Algate, Bryce Allan, Brock Bartlett, Merissa Berry, Kailee Bevan, Shelbie Bingham, Brianna Bishop, Angela Bixler, Danica Borlase, Janet Braun, Will Brown, Britni Budd, Sierra Chapple, Bret Charlton, Cannon Clark, Catina Crum, Brock Dayley, Alexandra Drummond, Allison Federico, Keveren Freeman, Nancy Garibyan, Maria Garth, Timothy Hafer, McKenzie Harman, John

Hepworth, Zachary Herzinger, Julie Hirschi, Rebecca Hoff, Marcus Jardine, Jene Johnson, Kayla Johnson, Mihreta Kadric, William Keeter, Elizabeth Laidig, Jessica Leon, Tiffanie Long, Dario Mandrua, Brett Maughan, Sally Mei, Cari Miranda, Bekir Mustafic, Tanner Newey, Lance Nielsen, Jacob Nolan, Crystal Nutsch, Olivia Oler, Daniel Olsen, Casey Petty, Keshia Pittman, Jon Pulsifer, Amity Quinn, Stephanie Reeves, Crystal Roberts, Lauren Rogers, Pedro Santos, Alexander Schenk, Rachel Schenk, Rebecca Schenk, Jennifer Sherman, Christopher Slette, Hailey Stroud, Ciarra Tennant, Katelyn VanLoo, Zachary VanLoo, Matt Victor, Ashley White, Taylor Williams, Hailey Worstell.

### SOPHOMORES

#### 4.0

Andrea Ballesterio, Brady Barton, Taylor Barton, Abby Biedenbach, Julie Bixler, Erika Blay, Emily Bond, Lauren Christensen, Derrick Cox, Hanna Crowley, Tony Cuellar, Dakota Cummins, Zachary Dullin, Taylor Ellis, Stephanie Filas, Ryan Fuchs, Ashley Geist, Nathaniel Goss, Natalie Harman, Corissa Johns, McKenzie Johnson, Matthew Keeth, Trevor Lutz, Mikaela McMurtry, Salma Miramontes, Jazlyn Nielsen, Garrett Oman, Danielle Richards, Sarah Sheen, Emily Simonson, Whitney Smith, Sydney Sneddon, Jordan Staley, Austin Thomas, Isabel von

Zastro, Whitney Ward, Tyson Warth, Jayson Welker, Joshua Wirtz, Tyler Withers, Sabrina Wood, Logan Woodhouse, Madison Worst

#### 3.99 to 3.5

Matthew Anderson, Paden Barnard, Samuel Behm, Natalie Belnap, Madison Bernhisel, Ryan Bowyer, Loring Brock, Kevin Brown, Taylor Brown, Kelly Buddecke, Marc Bulcher, Darian Cantu, Sarah Chappell, Katelyn Christensen, Mark Christensen, Braden Coleman, Brandon Collins, Jaquelyn Corr, Kevin Costa, Aaron Cutler, Morgan DeBoard, Sarah Dodds, Michael Dye, Mark Edlund, Kelsie Fairbanks, Ashlee Finch, Kendon Freeman, Marissa Freitas, Kaitlin Garofano, Jordan Gentry, Jessica Hamblin, Jeremy Hegman, Shelby Howe, Olivia Humberger, Justin Jones, Mallory Jund, Challis Kerr, Samuel Kessler, Nathaniel Krapf, Stephanie Maughan, Cody McBride, Ashton Meeks, Jana Miller, Garren Moreno, Laken Mullin, McKenzie Nelson, Chita Neupane, Sara Oliver, Chet Pettingill, Tyler Piper, Hayden Prigmore, Andrew Quinton, Blake Ransom, Tyler Ready, Alex Ridgeway, Lani Roemer, Stela Saltaga, Joshua Schrader, Jenna Sharp, Amanda Slagel, Cy Sneed, Colton Stott, Colton Sweesy, Blair Symington, Vicky Tang, Madisen Traveller, Belinda Vela, Chase Waldapfel, Amanda Ward, Jeffrey Ward, Alexandria Webb, Dianna Wilson, Ebony Yarger.

# Cinnamon credited for drop in cholesterol level

**DEAR DR. GOTT:** Four years ago, I was diagnosed with high cholesterol. I have fibromyalgia, so the idea of taking a statin was not appealing. Then I read one of your columns about cinnamon lowering blood sugars and cholesterol levels, so I thought I would give it a try. I took 1,500 milligrams three times a day, and, after six weeks,



ASK DR. GOTT  
Dr. Peter Gott

my cholesterol had dropped 200 points and was back within the nor-

mal range. My triglycerides also dropped into normal range.

My doctor's mind was blown. He couldn't believe that I had such a drastic drop. He wanted to test me every three months, and now, four years later, I am still on the cinnamon, and my cholesterol and triglycerides remain within normal range.

My doctor has also recommended this to other patients of his. We are huge fans of yours. Thank you.

**DEAR READER:** I am pleased to hear of your amazing results. It has been some time since I last wrote about cinnamon for cholesterol and, unfortunately, most of my readers found it did not work or caused side effects, prima-

rily diarrhea. However, if it has continued to work for you, stick with it.

Most of my readers have found success using other alternative therapies. Niacin is a popular one but may affect the liver. Omega-3 oils, such as fish or flaxseed, may be beneficial. Not everyone will respond positively to every treatment, alternative or

not, which makes recommendations difficult.

It is also vital that people with elevated cholesterol levels limit dietary fat. Fresh fruits and vegetables, whole grains and lean protein sources should make up the bulk of the diet, rounded out with minimal salt and sugar intake.

See DR. GOTT, Main 5

# Plane

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few planes ever produced by the government. The planes, manufactured out of surplus parts and spare blimp material, were designed for ruggedness and ability to teach in them.

Cadets nicknamed the plane "The Yellow Peril," partly because of the color of all trainer planes at the time and partly because of the peril involved if cadets couldn't successfully fly solo and move up in rank to aviation cadet.

"It brings back quite a few memories," said Col. Harry LeMoynes, 90, of Buhl, who flew 67 missions with the Army Air Corps during WWII. "I knew (the plane) was coming but to see it - I learned to fly in a plane like that - there are quite a few memories."

He recalls his mission the day after the invasion of Normandy, D-Day, on June 6, 1944. By that time LeMoynes was an established airman. After joining the Air Corps and being appointed aviation cadet, he was kept in Oxnard, Calif. as an instructor.

In early 1944 LeMoynes was sent overseas and flew missions nearly every day from D-Day to November 1944 before heading home.

"We were sent out in March 1944, a special contingency of 200 pilots, to beef up the squadrons for the invasion," LeMoynes said. "The next morning, following D-Day, our squad flew out over the channel."

"I'll never forget seeing the thousands of ships on the beaches. It was our job, behind the line, we were told to shoot anything that moves."

After settling in southern Idaho and building LeMoynes Realty & Appraisals Inc., flying was still an integral part of LeMoynes's life.

Bob Fries, 84, of Twin Falls, recalled learning to fly on a similar plane during the hanger party as well.

After learning to fly for the war it took 31 years and 10 days before Fries took to the sky again, he said.

"At first I couldn't afford to fly ... and then I got to old, couldn't do it anymore," Fries said. "I miss flying, you never get over it."

As far as having a working piece of history in the Magic Valley sky, Fries said residents should consider themselves lucky.

"That's one hell of a plane," he said.

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# Dr. Gott

Continued from Main 4

Regular exercise can also help improve levels.

To provide related information, I am sending you copies of my Health Reports "Understanding Cholesterol," "Dr. Gott's Compelling Home Remedies" and "More Compelling Home Remedies."

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

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# SOMEBODY NEEDS YOU

## WANT TO HELP?

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

**Drivers** - Twin Falls Senior Citizens Center needs drivers to deliver hot meals to the homebound. Volunteers can drive one day a week or more. Information: Karen, 734-5084.

**Volunteers** - Idaho Home Health and Hospice needs volunteers to help in the office, provide respite care, be companions and read to patients in the Twin Falls, Gooding, Wendell, Jerome, Burley, Rupert and Buhl areas. Volunteers also are needed to hold positions on the Friends of Hospice Board of Directors. Friends of Hospice is a nonprofit organization that, through fundraising, provides grants to hospice patients and their families. Information: Nichole, 734-4061, ext. 117, or [nichole@idahohomehealth.com](mailto:nichole@idahohomehealth.com).

**Mentors** - Retired and Senior Volunteer Program needs volunteers in Twin Falls and Jerome counties to mentor children with a parent in prison. Volunteers must undergo a complete FBI background check and be willing to mentor a child for a minimum of four hours each month for one year. Information: Ken, 736-2122, ext. 2394, or [kwhiting@oaa.csi.edu](mailto:kwhiting@oaa.csi.edu).

**Volunteers** - Interfaith Volunteer Caregivers, a local nonprofit organization, needs volunteers to help

local senior and disabled individuals. The group serves Twin Falls, Lincoln, Jerome and Gooding counties. All skill levels accepted. Information: 733-6333.

**Volunteers** - Interfaith Volunteer Caregivers, a local nonprofit organization, needs volunteers in Twin Falls, Buhl, Kimberly and Filer to assist individuals with transportation, home-maker services, visiting and monitoring, respite and other tasks. Mileage reimbursement is available. Information: Karen, 733-6333.

**Volunteers** - Hospice Visions needs volunteers for office work, patient assistance, fundraising, grocery shopping, yard work (both at Hospice Home and at the office) and grant writing. Information: Flo, 735-0121.

**Volunteers/donations** - The College of Southern Idaho Refugee Center needs volunteers to befriend newly arrived refugee families and

provide English tutoring, transportation for grocery shopping and visits. The center also needs donations of a used lawnmower, fans, children's and adult bicycles, vacuums, washers and dryers, clothes and shoes, and electronics (televisions, converter boxes, computers and DVD players). Donated items can be taken to the center, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. (closed noon to 1 p.m.), Monday through Friday, at 1526 Highland Ave. E., Twin Falls. Information: Michelle, 736-2166.

**Volunteers** - St. Luke's Magic Valley Medical Center has several volunteer positions available on a regular or project basis. Information: Kim, 737-2006, [kimpa@mvrmc.org](mailto:kimpa@mvrmc.org); or Linda, 933-4844, [lindat@mvrmc.org](mailto:lindat@mvrmc.org).

**Volunteers** - St. Luke's Volunteer Services need volunteer golf cart drivers to shuttle patients to and from the parking lot at St. Luke's Magic Valley Medical Center. Flexible hours. Information: Kim, 737-2006, [kimpa@mvrmc.org](mailto:kimpa@mvrmc.org); or Linda, 933-4844, [lindat@mvrmc.org](mailto:lindat@mvrmc.org).

**Volunteers** - St. Luke's Volunteer Services need

accomplished musicians willing to volunteer some time and talent to bring comfort and entertainment to patients and their families at St. Luke's Magic Valley Medical Center. Two pianos are available, and the group is open to other musical options. Information: Kim, 737-2006, [kimpa@mvrmc.org](mailto:kimpa@mvrmc.org); or Linda, 933-4844, [lindat@mvrmc.org](mailto:lindat@mvrmc.org).

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**Volunteers** - The Senior Health Insurance Benefits Advisors program needs volunteers who are willing to counsel Medicare beneficiaries in all aspects of Medicare benefits. Full training will be provided. Information: Tamara or Nora, 736-4713.

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# OPINION

## QUOTE

“... she was clearly sending a message ... that things were going bad quickly.”  
 – Nashville Police Chief Ronal Serpas about the mental state of Sahel Kazemi, who shot former NFL star Steve McNair

### EDITORIAL

## Why the U of I still matters in the Magic Valley

Six days into his new job, University of Idaho President Duane Nellis paid a visit to the Magic Valley on Tuesday. He's got some work to do in getting up to speed on the relationship between Idaho's land grant college and the most intensive agricultural region in the state. We hope his learning curve is short, because the Magic Valley needs the U of I — and the university needs south-central Idaho.

**Our view:**  
 New University of Idaho President Duane Nellis doesn't need to win hearts and minds in the Magic Valley. He just needs to keep the university relevant to how we learn and work here.

The view from Moscow is that the U of I is enmeshed in a long, twilight struggle with Boise State University for the loyalties of southern Idahoans and their legislators, who control 14 of the 20 seats on the budget-writing Joint Finance-Appropriations Committee.

But that's not the perspective down here. South-central Idahoans appreciate the fact that the College of Southern Idaho's agriculture program works because of its partnership with the U of I; that the university's Kimberly Research and Extension Center and that its Hagerman Fish Culture Experiment Station are important to a whole range of stakeholders. We also know that the proposed Magic Valley-based large animal research center — a partnership between the university and private industry — could be critical to the future of the dairy industry in this area.

The future of the university's College of Agricultural and Life Sciences lies in south-central Idaho — and not in the Palouse country around Moscow. The Magic Valley, after all, is where Idaho agriculture is concentrated and where the university's intellectual capital could be spent to greatest effect.

The U of I has long had a strong agricultural extension program in keeping with its role as a land grant university. We'd like to see that statewide effort blossom and grow into a bigger presence for the university in this region.

The dairy center should become an academic hotbed — a kind of satellite campus where faculty and graduate students compete to live, work and do state-of-the-art research.

We'd also like to see the U of I-CSI partnership expand to provide other academic and cultural programs not currently available in the region.

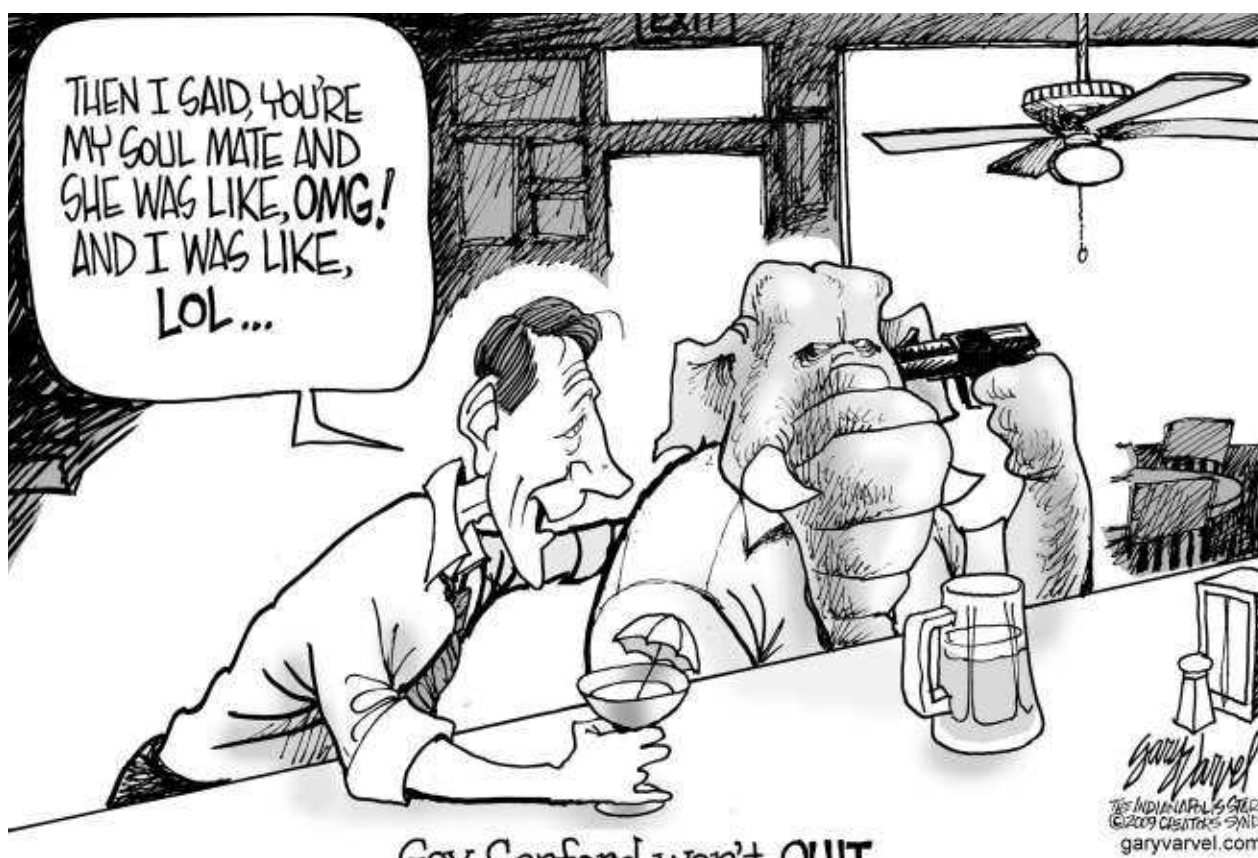
South-central Idaho, and the 5,500 U of I alumni who live here, are more interested in the relevance of the university to the Magic Valley's economic and cultural future than in turf battles with BSU.

The U of I represents opportunity. We hope it's opportunity that we won't be able to pass up.

## TIMES-NEWS

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## Dignity is a civic virtue — or should be

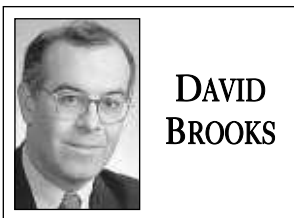
When George Washington was a young man, he copied out a list of 110 “Rules of Civility and Decent Behavior in Company and Conversation.” Some of the rules in his list dealt with the niceties of going to a dinner party or meeting somebody on the street.

“Lean not upon anyone,” was one of the rules. “Read no letter, books or papers in company,” was another. “If any one come to speak to you while you are sitting, stand up,” was a third.

But, as the biographer Richard Brookhiser has noted, these rules, which Washington derived from a 16th-century guidebook, were not just etiquette tips. They were designed to improve inner morals by shaping the outward man. Washington took them very seriously. He worked hard to follow them.

Throughout his life, he remained acutely conscious of his own rectitude. In so doing, he turned himself into a new kind of hero. He wasn't primarily a military hero or a political hero. As the historian Gordon Wood has written, “Washington became a great man and was acclaimed as a classical hero because of the way he conducted himself during times of temptation. It was his moral character that set him off from other men.”

Washington absorbed, and later came to personify what you might call the dignity code. The code was based on the same premise as the nation's Constitution — that human beings are flawed



DAVID BROOKS

creatures who live in constant peril of falling into disasters caused by their own passions. Artificial systems have to be created to balance and restrain their desires.

The dignity code commanded its followers to be disinterested — to endeavor to put national interests above personal interests. It commanded its followers to be reticent — to never degrade intimate emotions by parading them in public. It also commanded its followers to be dispassionate — to distrust rashness, zealotry, fury and political enthusiasm.

Remnants of the dignity code lasted for decades. For most of American history, politicians did not publicly campaign for president. It was thought that the act of publicly promoting oneself was ruinously corrupting. For most of American history, memoirists passed over the intimacies of private life. Even in the 19th century, people were appalled that journalists might pollute a wedding by covering it in the press.

Today, Americans still lavishly admire people who are naturally dignified, whether they are in sports (Joe DiMaggio and Tom Landry), entertainment (Lauren Bacall and Tom Hanks) or politics (Ronald Reagan and Martin Luther King Jr.).

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But the dignity code itself has been completely obliterated. The rules that guided Washington and generations of people after him are simply gone.

We can all list the causes of its demise. First, there is capitalism. We are all encouraged to become managers of our own brand, to do self-promoting end-zone dances to broadcast our own talents. Second, there is the cult of naturalism. We are all encouraged to discard artifice and repression and to instead liberate our own feelings. Third, there is charismatic evangelism with its penchant for public confession. Fourth, there is radical egalitarianism and its hostility to aristocratic manners.

The old dignity code has not survived modern life. The costs of its demise are there for all to see. First, there was Mark Sanford's press conference. Here was a guy utterly lacking in any sense of reticence, who was given to rambling self-exposure even in his moment of disgrace.

Then there was the death of Michael Jackson and the discussion of his life. Here was a guy who was apparently untouched by any pressure to live according to the rules and restraints of adulthood.

Then there was Sarah Palin's press conference. Here was a woman who aspires to a high public role but is unfamiliar with the traits of equipoise and constancy, which are the sources of authority and trust.

In each of these events, one sees people who simply have no social norms to guide them as they try to navigate the currents of their own passions.

Americans still admire dignity. But the word has become unmoored from any larger set of rules or ethical system.

But it's not right to end on a note of cultural pessimism, because there is the fact of President Barack Obama.

Whatever policy differences people may have with him, we can all agree that he exemplifies reticence, dispassion and the other traits associated with dignity. The cultural effects of his presidency are not yet clear, but they may surpass his policy impact. He may revitalize the concept of dignity for a new generation and embody a new set of rules for self-mastery.

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### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

#### Veterans had a great time on fishing trip

To American Legion Post 7: On behalf of all the veterans, staff and volunteers from Pocatello and Boise, let me take this opportunity to thank you and your great members for an outstanding fishing trip in June. For many of our veterans, it was the first time they had ever experienced such an outing.

I also want you to know that for the hospitalized veterans, if it were not for programs like yours, they would never have a chance

to enjoy the friendship of the legion. You and your staff continue to amaze me on your continued commitment to make this program work year after year.

So again, thank you from all of us. Carey Hebdon, activity volunteer coordinator from the Pocatello home, joins with me in thanking you for helping us take care of our nation's heroes.

**PHIL HAWKINS**  
 Boise  
 (Editor's note: Phil Hawkins is the volunteer coordinator at the Boise Veterans Home.)

#### Homosexuals may pay taxes but still immoral

Once again the Times-News editorial staff has taken to bashing people who stand up against the immorality of homosexual behavior.

That the world, of which Idaho is a part, is abandoning moral standards is hardly news, but the writer is dead wrong in his statement that the homosexual community is not seeking to impose its lifestyle on anyone. Its push to abandon moral standards is imposing its lifestyle on everyone who

wants to live in a world of high moral standards.

Just as in the last editorial on the subject, the writer circumvents the real issue and leads the reader away from the real point of the controversy.

That a homosexual person may be a law-abiding and taxpaying person obviously is a good thing, but that does not cover up the immorality of the act any more than a bank robber contributing some of his takings to a charitable cause would cover up his act.

**DU WAYNE KRAUSE**  
 Twin Falls

#### Failure in the making for U.S. economy

Mr. William Locker, thank you for your letter to the editor, “Obama administration is all about control,” Sunday, June 28. A socialistic global government is in the making. I assume that billions of bailout money has been embezzled and channeled overseas to purchase the new global currency when the time is right. How about Fort Knox and all that gold?

They know what they are doing and a complete failure is in the making for the

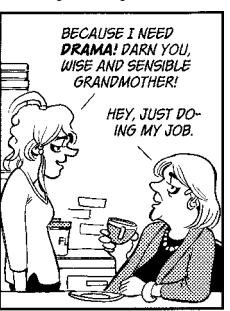
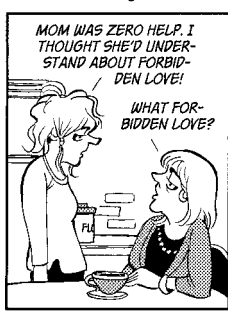
U.S. economy, and then they have perfect control as they become part of the world's aristocrats. Believe me when I say they hate the masses of people and all this overpopulation. They feel it's their privilege to preserve and regulate with control over they world's resources.

If this sounds like nonsense, so what's new? I expect to die soon, but I'm in good hands now; and ready for the ultimate reality of the wonder of it all!

Jude 2-2U.  
**SAM OVERACRE**  
 Kimberly

### THE LIGHTER SIDE OF POLITICS

#### Doonesbury



#### Mallard Fillmore



#### By Bruce Tinsley



## MONTANA State declared free of livestock disease

BILLINGS — Export restrictions on Montana's billion-dollar cattle industry are to be lifted today after federal officials declared the state once again free of the livestock disease brucellosis. Brucellosis causes pregnant cattle and other animals to miscarry and fifty years ago had infected more than 100,000 farms nationwide.

Montana was the last state to be listed free of the disease. It persists in herds of wild elk and bison around Yellowstone National Park and has periodically passed to cattle in Montana, Idaho and Wyoming.

"At least for now, all three states are free," said Tom Hougen, president of the Montana Stockgrowers Association. "I don't think we can close our eyes and think the problem's gone away. The problem's still there."

Blood tests on some cattle in Montana around Yellowstone will continue indefinitely.

Cattle infections in 2007 and 2008 led the U.S. Department of Agriculture to revoke the state's disease-free status last year. That forced thousands of livestock producers to test their cows for the disease before they could be shipped out of state.

The state has an estimated 2.6 million cattle. The disease-free status will be revoked again if another case is found within the next 12 months.

## NEVADA

### Ensign's parents paid mistress, her family

LAS VEGAS — Sen. John Ensign's wealthy parents paid his mistress and her family \$96,000, the conservative lawmaker disclosed Thursday, an admission that further darkened his once-bright career and caused even allies to question his continued effectiveness as a U.S. senator from Nevada.

The "gifts" to Cynthia Hampton; her husband, Doug; and two of their children in April 2008 came around the time the Hamptons stopped working for Ensign and were made "out of concern for the well-being of long-time family friends during a difficult time," said a statement from Ensign's attorney.

The payments, made in \$12,000 increments, were "consistent with a pattern of generosity" by Ensign's parents, the statement said. Ensign's father, Michael, is a former casino mogul who helped bankroll his son's political rise from congressman to onetime GOP White House aspirant.

"Nevadans are very forgiving," said conservative activist Chuck Muth, who called the financial revelations highly damaging. "But the fact this occurred with someone who worked for Senator Ensign and may have felt coerced ... make this a whole different story altogether."

## WASHINGTON HUD releases \$1.2B in stimulus funds for homeless

WASHINGTON — The Housing and Urban Development Department is using \$1.2 billion in stimulus money to fight homelessness in hundreds of locations across the country.

HUD Secretary Shaun Donovan announced Thursday that cash from the Recovery Act will be distributed to more than 500 cities, counties and communities. The money will be used for rent relief, housing reloca-

tion and stabilization services, data collection and administrative costs.

"This program serves as a bridge to long-term stability for those who, without assistance, would be homeless," Donovan said in a conference call with reporters.

The money is being distributed under a homelessness prevention program in

the stimulus legislation that is designed to help millions of jobless Americans. Donovan said the money announced Thursday will fund hundreds of projects.

Donovan said the projects would address two issues: preventing homelessness and rapidly finding places to live for those who are currently homeless.

## IDAH O

### U of I gets grant for emergency training

BOISE — The University of Idaho will use a \$502,148 federal grant to expand emergency response training for its faculty, staff and students.

In a statement Thursday,

the U.S. Department of Education said 26 colleges and universities nationwide have been awarded more than \$9.7 million in grants to develop and strengthen plans for preventing and responding to emergencies.

University of Idaho risk manager Nancy Spink says the money will allow the Moscow school to create

two new positions to bolster its emergency preparedness during the next 18 months.

Along with training, the university will also use the grant to evaluate and address the mental health needs of students who may be at risk of causing campus violence.

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By Christopher S. Rugaber  
Associated Press writer

WASHINGTON — The number of newly laid-off workers filing initial claims for jobless benefits last week fell to lowest level since early January, largely due to changes in the timing of auto industry layoffs.

Continuing claims, meanwhile, unexpectedly jumped to a record-high. While layoffs are slowing, jobs remain scarce and the

unemployment rate is rising, which some economists worry could weaken or delay a recovery. The unemployment rate rose to 9.5 percent last month and is expected to top 10 percent by the end of this year.

Separately, many retail chains reported disappointing June sales, as consumers are saving more and spending less.

New claims for unemployment insurance plummeted by 52,000 to a sea-

sonally-adjusted 565,000, the Labor Department said Thursday. That's significantly below analysts' expectations of 605,000 for the week ending July 4, according to Thomson Reuters. The last time new claims were below 600,000 was week of Jan. 24.

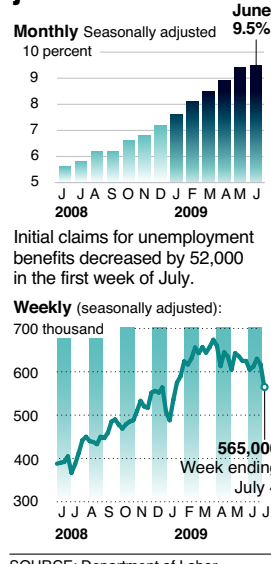
"This is not as positive as it looks," Jennifer Lee, an economist at BMO Capital Markets, wrote in a note to clients. "There are a number of special factors at play here, including the fact that the holiday-shortened week skewed the data."

The drop resulted partly from technical factors, a Labor Department analyst said. Auto layoffs that normally take place in early July, as factories are retooled to build the next year's models, occurred in the spring instead as General Motors Corp. and Chrysler LLC implemented sweeping restructuring plans.

The department's seasonal adjustment process expected a large increase in claims from auto workers and other manufacturing

See **CLAIMS**, Business 2

### Unemployment and jobless claims



## Tide turning

### Ketchum taxes show slower decline in sales and services

By Ariel Hansen  
Times-News writer

HAILEY — For most of this fiscal year, Ketchum has been struggling.

Local option taxes, which are assessed on items commonly used by visitors and the construction industry, such as liquor by the glass, hotel rooms and building materials, have fallen by as much as 53 percent compared to the previous year.

In the past month, however, the tide has begun to turn.

The numbers for June, which were released on Wednesday, show that most categories are down less than they were during the winter season, with

See **KETCHUM**, Business 2

# In-demand services

### 'Virtual assistants' in higher demand

By Emma L. Carew  
The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — Michael Hanik used to have 12 employees, a warehouse and trucks to run his medical devices catalog company.

But four years ago, he turned to the Internet to look for ways to reduce overhead costs for his Rockville, Md.-based Total Medical Systems. He now has just three employees on the company payroll but as many as 50 contractors working for him, some of them known as "virtual assistants."

The term, around since the Internet became widely available, encompasses anyone who telecommutes and does administrative tasks for other businesses, usually on a contractual basis. Most do tasks such as document preparation, paperwork and accounting. Some have niche areas, such as bilingual translation or creative services.

In the current economy, Jane Weizmann, a senior consultant at Arlington, Va.-based human resources consultant Watson Wyatt, said she's seeing more businesses with a "part-time cadre or network of people" who telecommute and bring different skill sets to projects as needed.



MARCUS YAM/Washington Post

After she was laid off in 2007, Kim Lazernik decided to start Virtual Computer Services out of her home in Silver Spring, Md. Some businesses are turning to 'virtual assistants' to cut down on costs such as real estate and equipment.

"It's a lot less expensive than having resources on staff, sitting on the bench and waiting," she said.

Virtual assistants allow companies to save on real estate and equipment, as well as on benefits, which can add 35 percent to a base salary, Weizmann said.

She cautioned, however,

"It's a lot less expensive than having resources on staff, sitting on the bench and waiting."

— Jane Weizmann, a senior consultant at Arlington, Va.-based human resources consultant Watson Wyatt

against businesses relying entirely on outsourced work and contractors. The high levels of turnover can create an unstable workforce.

The numbers are difficult to track, because there is no formal certification and not all people doing similar work call themselves virtual assistants, but one small trade group, the International Virtual Assistants Association, said its number

See **ASSISTANTS**, Business 2

## Google, Microsoft chairmen share laugh together

The Associated Press

SUN VALLEY — The escalating tension between Google and Microsoft didn't prevent the companies' chairmen from sharing a moment of levity Thursday at an exclusive media conference in the Idaho mountains.

As he headed out the door to lunch, Microsoft Chairman Bill Gates paused to consider a question about Google's plans to develop a computer

See **LAUGH**, Business 2

## Don't overlook tax implications of buy-sell agreements

Every closely held business should have a buy-sell agreement. However, I often see that many don't have one that's clear, concise, or takes into account taxes and legality.

By establishing buyout terms in the event an owner dies or becomes disabled, retires, or leaves the business, these agreements can create a market for otherwise unmarketable shares. In turn, it can provide an owner's heirs with liquidity to pay estate taxes and other expenses, keep ownership within a family or other select group, and help avoid disputes over the disposition of ownership interests.

Moreover, a buy-sell agreement can establish the value of business inter-



BUSINESS INSIGHT  
Scott Plew

ests for gift and estate tax purposes — this is when the line between family and business blurs and needs planning and clarification.

When designing a buy-sell agreement, it's important to consider the tax implications, particularly with regard to funding and valuation provisions.

### Funding options

Buy-sell agreements generally fall into one of two categories. There are cross-purchase agree-

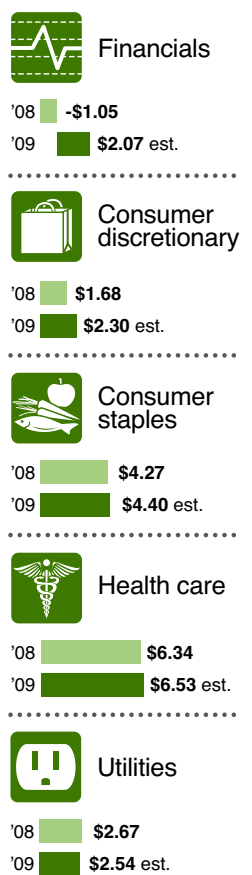
ments, in which the remaining owners buy back a departing owner's shares. And there are redemption agreements, in which the company buys back the shares.

Typically, life insurance is used to fund these agreements. With a cross-purchase agreement, each owner purchases policies on the other owners' lives. In the case of a redemption agreement, the company owns policies on the owners' lives.

Cross-purchase agreements can offer some tax advantages. The surviving owners receive a stepped-up basis equal to the purchase price, which reduces income taxes in the event they later sell their shares.

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### 2Q EARNINGS PER SHARE FOR S&P 500 INDUSTRIES

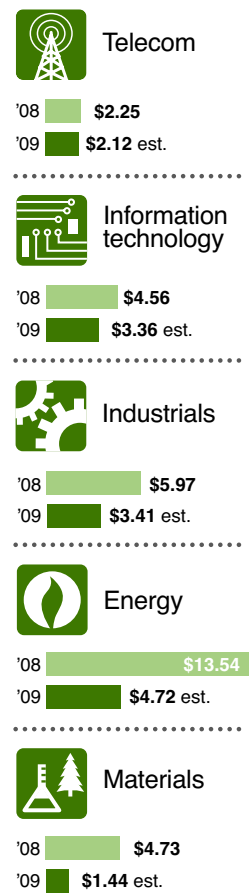


## Don't expect too much

It's a four-times-a-year ritual: A company reports how much money it made in the quarter that has just ended. Investors check whether the profit per share was higher or lower than predicted by stock analysts who follow the company. But when a company beats the prediction, called an earnings forecast, it may not mean much.

Often, companies will try to get analysts to give them forecasts that are below the amount that they actually expect to earn. That way, the companies can report earnings that "beat forecasts," which some investors take as a sign that the company is doing well and the stock is a good buy.

As this chart shows, though, even if most companies were to beat their estimates, they'd still be earning far less money than they did a year ago and that should make investors think twice before buying their stocks.



### STOCKS OF LOCAL INTEREST

Con Agra	18.80	—	Dell Inc.	13.15	▲ .20	Idacorp	24.93	▼ .13	Int. Bancorp	3.20	▼ .05
Lithia Mo.	8.81	▼ .32	McDonalds	56.77	▼ .27	Micron	5.04	▲ .32	Supervalu	12.72	▲ .21

### COMMODITIES

Live cattle	83.47	▲ .12	Aug Oil	60.41	▲ .27
Aug. Gold	916.2	▲ 6.9	July Silver	12.92	▲ .08

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BURLEY/RUPERT FORECAST

Today: Plenty of sunshine. Highs, upper 80s.

Tonight: Dry, quiet conditions. Lows, 50s.

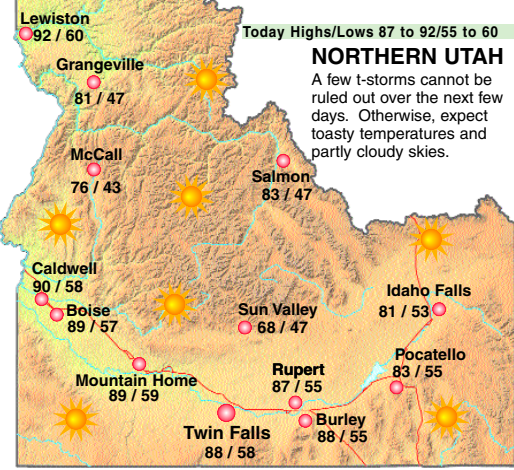
Tomorrow: Hot and mostly sunny. Highs, 90s.

ALMANAC - BURLEY

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

IDAHO'S FORECAST

SUN VALLEY, SURROUNDING MTS. Warm summer temperatures will round out the work week and will take us through the weekend too. A weak front moving in Sunday could trigger a few isolated thunderstorms.



Yesterday's State Extremes - High: 82 at Twin Falls. Low: 26 at Stanley.

TWIN FALLS FIVE-DAY FORECAST

Five-day forecast table for Twin Falls with columns for Today, Tonight, Saturday, Sunday, Monday, and Tuesday, including weather icons and temperature ranges.

Yesterday's Weather

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

ALMANAC - TWIN FALLS

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Table with 2 columns: Sunrise and Sunset. Includes data for Today, Saturday, Sunday, Monday, and Tuesday.

Table with 2 columns: Pollen Count. Includes data for Yesterday's pollen count and today's forecast.

Moon Phases table showing Last, New, First, and Full moon phases with dates.

Moonrise and Moonset table showing times for Today, Saturday, and Sunday.

U.V. INDEX table showing Low, Moderate, and High levels with a scale.

Forecasts and maps prepared by DayWeather, Inc. Chyenne, Wyoming.

REGIONAL FORECAST

Regional forecast table for cities in the Pacific Northwest including Boise, Bonners Ferry, Burley, etc.

NATIONAL FORECAST

National forecast table for major US cities including Atlanta, Baltimore, Chicago, etc.

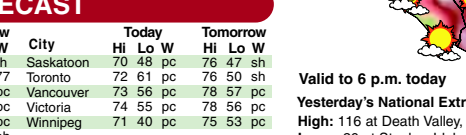
WORLD FORECAST

World forecast table for international cities including Acapulco, Athens, Auckland, etc.

CANADIAN FORECAST

Canadian forecast table for cities like Calgary, Edmonton, Regina, etc.

TODAY'S NATIONAL MAP



Valid to 6 p.m. today. Yesterday's National Extremes: High: 116 at Death Valley, Calif. Low: 26 at Stanley, Idaho.

Gregg Middlekauff's Quote of the Day: 'To do anything truly worth doing, I must not stand back shivering and thinking of the cold and danger, but jump in with gusto and scramble through as well as I can.'

AROUND THE WORLD

IRAN Tear gas, batons used to break up protests

TEHRAN - Thousands of anti-government demonstrators were attacked with batons and tear gas by security forces Thursday as they tried to gather around Tehran University for the first protests in about two weeks.



In this photo taken by someone not employed by the Associated Press and obtained outside Iran, protesters run away from tear gas fired by security forces at an opposition rally, Thursday in Tehran, Iran.

originally supposed to include only Brazil, but Sanford requested business meetings in Buenos Aires.

ous armed groups will try to discredit Iraq's security forces and cause instability as American troops pull back.

The protests were called to commemorate an attack on students at the university in 1999. The demonstrators are using such anniversaries and special occasions to rally people in public.

number of elements essential to preserving what works and fixing what is broken," 40 members of the Blue Dog Coalition of moderate to conservative Democrats wrote party leaders.

S. CAROLINA State e-mails detail gov's Argentina plans

COLUMBIA - South Carolina Gov. Mark Sanford pushed for a packed schedule but wanted to keep an evening free on the tax-

funded trip to Buenos Aires where he says his friendship with an Argentine woman turned physical, e-mails released Thursday show.

IRAQ Bombings slay dozens in worst day since U.S. pullback

BAGHDAD - In the deadliest day of violence since the withdrawal of most U.S. troops from Iraq's cities last week, at least 54 people were killed in bombings Thursday in Baghdad and other locations.

The worst attack Thursday occurred in Tall Afar in Nineveh province in the north, where a double suicide bombing killed 34 people, prompting a senior Iraqi official to express concern that the country's security forces, now fully responsible for protecting the cities, had been penetrated by armed groups.

At the same time, the authorities also showed their determination to prevent such protests. An eyewitness said army conscripts carrying plastic shields and batons filled the area in front of Tehran University.

A group of the moderates met into early evening with House Speaker Nancy Pelosi and Majority Leader Steny Hoyer and arranged to sit down with committee chairmen today to go over proposed changes. Officials said the public release of the bill, originally set for today, would occur no earlier than Monday.

WASHINGTON Health care overhaul suffers another blow

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Tens of billions still in bank bailout fund

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When plainclothes security personnel started shoving people into unmarked vans with blacked-out windows, an eyewitness said, "a girl started screaming, and three men started beating her very hard with batons as she was lying on the ground, swearing at them, calling them dirtbags."

The Treasury Department wants to keep the money at its disposal in case the economy gets worse. But fiscal conservatives like Sen. Judd Gregg of New Hampshire and Rep. Spencer Bachus of Alabama, both Republican, want the money kept to pay down the national debt.

WASHINGTON Health care overhaul suffers another blow

The drive to remake the nation's health care system suffered yet another setback in Congress on Thursday when a pivotal group of House Democrats demanded changes in legislation the leadership was drafting on a fast track.

Meanwhile, a group of liberal Democrats led by Massachusetts Rep. Barney Frank, chairman of the House Financial Services Committee, say at least a portion of it should be spent to help cash-strapped homeowners.

"We clearly face a new wave of foreclosures" because of rising unemployment, Frank said at a hearing Thursday. The question of what to do with the money will grow more pressing in coming months as Congress takes a step back to consider the fate

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# Love in a boomtown

## OAKLEY CAST PREPARES GOLD RUSH STORY

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## Catch the variety show at Kids Art In the Park

Times-News

Haven't signed up the kids yet? It's not too late for them to immerse themselves in the arts on Saturday.

Magic Valley Arts Council will hold the 18th year of Kids Art In the Park, and children who are not pre-registered but wish to attend should be at Twin Falls' City Park by 8 a.m. Saturday for late registration. Some classes may be filled.

Kids Art In the Park provides visual and performing arts workshops for children ages 3-14. Participants receive materials and instruction for a \$2 registration fee. Scholarships are available, and no child is turned away, the arts council said.

A children's variety show will serve as noontime entertainment and showcase the talents of local young singers, musicians and dancers. The arts council invites the public to have lunch in the park and attend the performance. Lunch will be available for purchase beginning at 11:30 a.m.

The variety show features JuMP Co. cast performing numbers from their upcoming production; Conga and Material Girl; vocalists Elena Coats accompanying herself on guitar, Paul Bezas accompanying himself on guitar, Amanda Hufstetler accompanying herself on ukulele and a vocal solo by Sarah Dodds; dance numbers by Rocky Top Cloggers and Julie's Jazzworks; a trombone solo by Elizabeth Brunelle; a clarinet solo by Rachael Glaze; and a presentation by Sammie Howard doing vocals and enacted by Paul Bezas and Stephanie Hiemstra. Master of ceremonies will be James Haycock.

Information or registration: 734-2787 or [magicvalleyartscouncil.org](http://magicvalleyartscouncil.org).



Courtesy photo

Following its breakthrough in 2003 when 'El Agua De La Vida' reached No. 5 on the World Music Chart of Europe, Salsa Celtica took its fusion of Latin and Celtic sounds on tour in England in 2004. The highlight was a sold-out performance at the United Kingdom's premier world music venue, Queen Elizabeth Hall on London's South Bank.

## Salsa meets the Scots in SV concert series

Times-News

Cross traditional Irish and Scottish music with Latin salsa and you get Salsa Celtica, an 11-man band with an eclectic mix of instruments.

Brass, bagpipes, fiddles, congas.

"It almost sounds like a joke — until you hear them play," Kristine Bretall of the Sun Valley Center for the Arts said in a press release. "They create this very infectious, upbeat music that defies definition and will have you up and dancing in seconds."

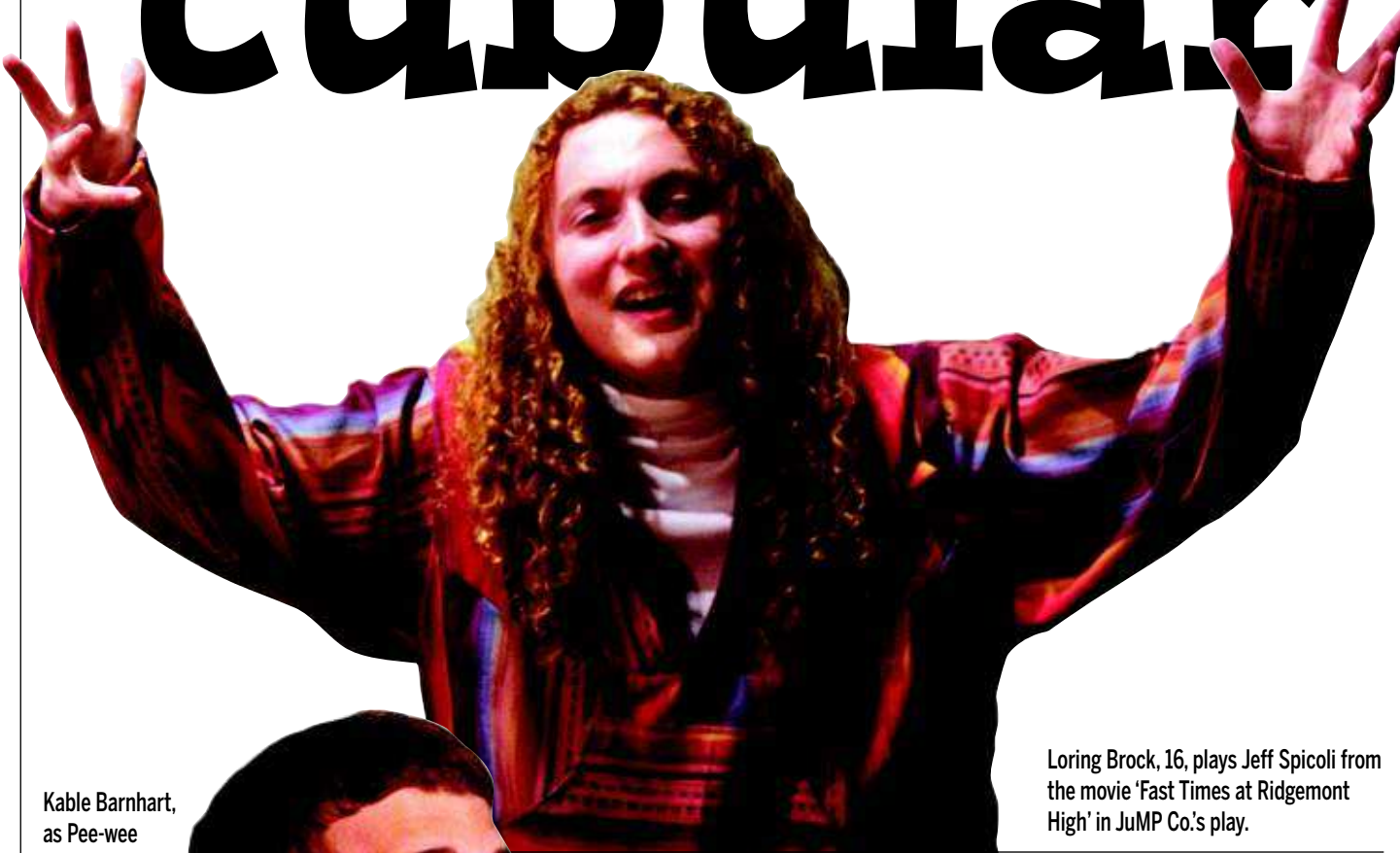
With its unusual repertoire and hard-driving energy, Salsa Celtica will make its Idaho debut at 7 p.m. July 18 at Hop Porter Park in Hailey as part of the Sun Valley Center's Summer Concert Series.

The band began in 1995 in the bars and clubs of Scotland, then headed to Cuba to hang out with salsa groups and soak up Afro-Cuban sounds.

Over the past 10 years the group has played major Celtic, jazz, world music and salsa festivals. Its albums have topped the New York and Los Angeles salsa charts as well as the European world music charts, and the band has been nominated for folk music awards and appeared in a feature film.

Tickets are \$20, and \$5 for kids 12 and younger, at [www.sunvalleycenter.org](http://www.sunvalleycenter.org) or 726-9491, ext. 10. Gates open at 6 p.m. July 18 at Hop Porter Park, and the music starts at 7 p.m. Vendors will sell food and beverages; leave your high-backed chairs and pets at home.

# JuMP Co. goes totally tubular



Loring Brock, 16, plays Jeff Spicoli from the movie 'Fast Times at Ridgemont High' in JuMP Co.'s play.

Kable Barnhart, as Pee-wee Herman, rehearses last week for JuMP Co.'s production of 'The Totally Awesome 80s Revue' at Twin Falls High School's Roper Auditorium.

By Hosanna Kabakoro

Times-News correspondent

In mid-July, Magic Valley audiences may be transported back in time as JuMP Co. presents "The Totally Awesome 80s Revue." Cast members claim this year's revue promises to thrill baby boomers as much as it does their kids.

At a recent dress rehearsal, cast members of all ages milled around in tie-dyed T-shirts, sporting colorful tights, big hair and rad makeup.

"If I had to sum up the production in a phrase, I would definitely say it's going to be a totally tubular experience for the public," said Larry Johnson, laughing.

Johnson and his wife, Stephanie, co-direct "The Totally Awesome 80s Revue" — which opens Tuesday at Twin Falls' Roper Auditorium — and are parents of former JuMP Co. cast members.

With the music of Pat Benatar's "Love is a Battlefield" playing in the background, Johnson called for Pee-wee Herman, played by Kable Barnhart, to get up on stage.

"I am so stoked to be playing Pee-wee!" Barnhart said later. "It's a goofy part, and I'm enjoying learning about the humor of the '80s."

"It's a lot of work trying

to get Pee-wee's character right. He had his own style for sure!"

With a cast of 82, the revue is a whirlwind of popular music from the 1980s, balanced with eye-catching choreography and skits based on old television shows. Kiah Carpenter, a 16-year-old cast member as well as the choreographer, is a local dance instructor and has been a member of JuMP Co. for 11 years.

"Since I didn't grow up during the fantastic '80s, I had to do a lot of research. I talked to my parents and their friends for inspiration and insight on dance styles and steps. We have worked really hard to make sure that we have captured the '80s flair in all our musical numbers," Carpenter said.

"I think the audience will really get a kick out of hearing so many old songs and seeing a younger generation perform the dances that they grew up with."

Many of the cast members said they have gained insight about the decade of their parents' youth.

"It's really fun because we are all going home using words like gnarly and rad to describe stuff," said 16-year-old Uriah Manning. "We're dedicating our show to Michael Jackson because the '80s would not be complete without his music. 'Thriller' is going to be our closing number. It's going to be a fun-filled show with lots of blasts from the pasts for parents and kids!"

JuMP Co. — Junior Musical Playhouse Co. — is a nonprofit musical theater organization for children in first through 12th grades. Its past shows have included "Peter Pan" and "Kokunut Kapers."

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REVISIT THE DECADE

- **What:** JuMP Co.'s "Totally Awesome 80s Revue"
- **When:** 7 p.m. Tuesday through Thursday, plus July 17 and 18
- **Where:** Roper Auditorium in Twin Falls
- **Tickets:** General admission is \$7; tickets are available from any cast member or at the door. Reserved seating is \$9; available only at The Mail Room in Twin Falls.
- **Information:** Larry or Stephanie Johnson, 539-2335

Shelby Deboard, center, plays the lead cheerleader in Toni Basil's song 'Hey Mickey.'

Photos by ASHLEY SMITH/Times-News





JUDI BAXTER

# BookChat

## From Idaho authors: Harpooner history, self-help poetry and a geological plot

Caldwell-based publisher, is one of our state's greatest resources. Its titles range from splendid coffee table books to juvenile classics; from cookbooks to American Indian and Western history; and from writers and poets to historical fiction.

A new release from this last category immediately piqued my interest. **"The Whaler's Forge"** (\$16.95), by Boise author Christine Echeverria Bender, opened for me an entirely new chapter of American history. Bender's painstaking research and meticulous attention to detail brings the story of a battered Basque whaling ship arriving on the eastern shore of North America in 1364 vividly to life.

In 2006, Bender received a grant from the Idaho Commission on the Arts and the National Endowment for the Arts which allowed her to travel to Labrador, Canada, where she studied the archeological sites of four whaling galleons. Then in 2008, she joined a team from the Smithsonian Institute, and participated in the discovery and excavation of a 16th-century Basque whaling site in Hare Harbour, Quebec.

The authenticity of the novel is beyond reproach, and the story of harpooner Kepa de Mendieta's survival is engrossing and enlightening.

Bender will give a presentation at the Basque Museum and Cultural Center in Boise at 7 p.m. July 21.

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POD (print-on-demand) may be the most far-reaching development in book publishing since the Gutenberg press. With POD's technology, writers can be their own publishers and no longer have to wait to see their books in print. Readers will enjoy checking out these local authors:

Twin Falls native Eugene R. Webb will combine business with pleasure while in town attending the annual Twin Falls High School "Over 50 Year" reunion later this month. He will sign his newest book of poetry, **"Alcohol is My**

**Name"** (Publish America, \$19.95), at Barnes & Noble from 2 to 5 p.m. July 18 and at Hastings from 2 to 4 p.m. July 19. Webb trusts that his books provide information, enjoyment and hope.

Twin Falls resident and *Times-News* "Wandering Geologist" columnist L.P. Growney drew from his vast knowledge of geology to fashion his ambitious novel, **"Thermia: Dawn of Armageddon"** (Vantage Press \$13.95). The plot, featuring a fictional society, may be a bit too geologic for some readers, but the story is entertaining and informative, and Growney's breezy style makes for a fun read.

The search for details about her dad's life led Wendell author Jan Gooding Cornett to discoveries she never could have imagined. **"An Ordinary Guy: Joe Blow"** (Strategic Book Publishing, \$9.95) recounts her searches, her questions, her discoveries and finally her father's story. An amazing journey.

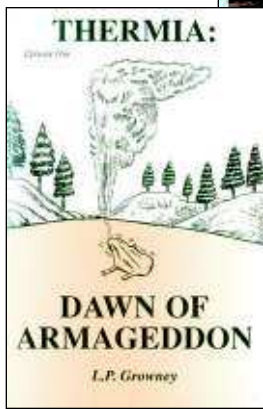
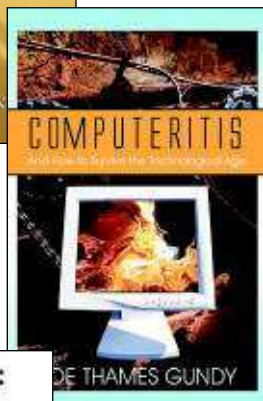
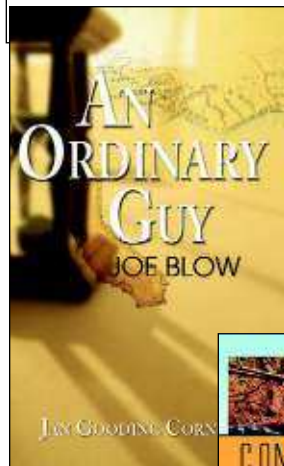
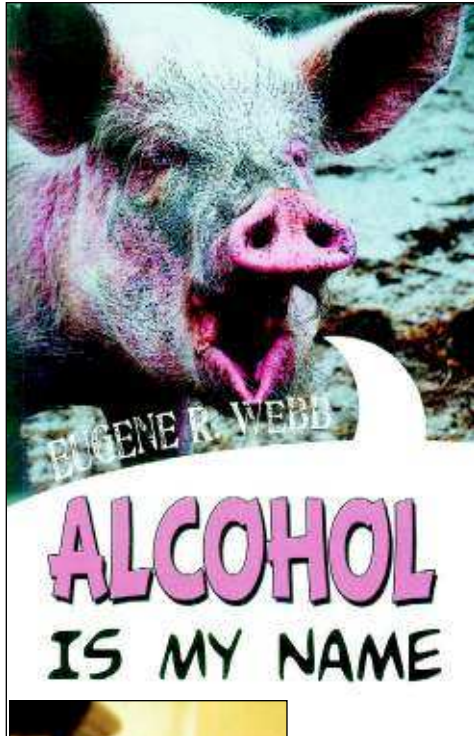
Magic Valley native Beverly Hayes, who now lives in Anchorage, Alaska, has written a charming children's book, **"Charlie Chicken Hawk"** (Publish America, \$24.95). Will the growing bird chicken out when it's time to fly? The book is delightfully illustrated by DC Ashcraft Jr.

Boise author Joe Thames Gundy has penned a book many will identify with: **"Computeritis, and How to Survive the Technological Age"** (Publish America, \$24.95). The term is defined as "excessive use of the computer" or "an illness or disability attributed to the use of a computer." Gundy believes we can embrace technology without it completely running our lives.

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



Webb



# Meals on Wheels gets a boost from bluegrass

By Coreen Hart  
Times-News correspondent

BURLEY — Get ready for a super bluegrass festival and a chance to win a car.

Zeb Bell, a rodeo announcer, Realtor and KBAR radio personality, and Omar Alvarez are organizing Music on the Grass because they saw the senior centers of Cassia and Minidoka counties struggling to fund their Meals on Wheels programs.

Sharon Hardy Mills of Burley's senior center said Bell contacted her with the idea. "They have come up with a neat, neat family event," Mills said.

Three bluegrass groups are scheduled for the concert: Will Williams and New Gravel Road out of Nampa, Strings Attached from Twin Falls and Chicken Dinner Road from Boise.

"We're hoping to make this an annual event," said Alvarez, who chose to support the senior centers because his Texan mother received their meals during her last months. "Maybe we can go two days next year."

A classic '91 Geo Metro convertible with fewer than 20,000 miles on it will be raffled off.

"I've seen the little car, and it is so cute!" Mills said. "The cutest little car you've ever seen in your life."

She said Meals on Wheels deliveries are costing the centers more every month.

"We have a great ongoing need for funds for the Meals on Wheels program," Mills said. "The month of May alone cost \$26,000 for food, and that's not including the paper products and dairy, or the labor costs. And it's going up every month."

Holly Najera, director of the Rupert senior center, said: "We're picking up more Meals on Wheels customers, with the economy the way it is. We're looking around for some donations of food, especially ground beef. Maybe someone who buys a 4-H animal will

**• What:** The family-oriented Music on the Grass, a bluegrass festival, is a benefit for the Burley and Rupert senior centers, which manage the Meals on Wheels program providing meals for shut-ins throughout Mini-Cassia on an ability-to-pay basis.

**• When:** 4-9 p.m. July 18.

**• Where:** Burley Boat Docks, just south of Scholer Park and the Burley Golf Course.

**• Sponsors:** Chute 2, a Zeb Bell organization, and Omar Alvarez, 2008 world champion Dutch oven title holder.

**• Admission:** \$10, which includes a chance to win a bright red '91 Geo Metro, donated by EZ Money Cars, and two overnight stays at Cactus Petes in Jackpot, Nev.

Raffle tickets for three picnic tables — donated by George and Dona Maas and on display at Haun's Hardware in Paul, Ridley's in Rupert and EZ Money Auto — are \$1 each or six for \$5.

**• Food vendors:** Include a barbecue booth, a Dutch oven service and Gossner's ice cream.

donate it?" Bell said the cause is a passion for him.

"Senior citizens are the most forgotten people in the world," he said. "People come into my business looking for donations for soccer uniforms and things for kids, but not for the senior citizens. With my notoriety I'm hoping to put together a foundation in the near future that will benefit Meals on Wheels. Music on the Grass is a start."

Bell aims to raise \$10,000 with this Music on the Grass.

"Technically, we cannot charge for our Meals on Wheels," Mills said. "And some genuinely cannot afford to pay. It's on an honor system. Frankly, without Zeb and Omar, we would have had to close our doors a long time ago."

MUSIC AND RAFFLES

# Barrage brings high-energy show to Sun Valley Pavilion

Times-News

A high-octane string group that features an international cast of musicians and dancers will bring its show to the Sun Valley Pavilion at 7:30 p.m. July 17. Barrage delivers an eclectic show at a feverish pace.

Barrage tickets are \$20, \$32 and \$40 at the Sun Valley Recreation box office, 622-2135, 888-622-2108 or [www.sunvalley-pavilion.com](http://www.sunvalley-pavilion.com).

Bring your July 16 G. Love and Special Sauce concert ticket or ticket stub to the box office for \$5 off a Barrage ticket; no refunds on previously purchased Barrage tickets.

In 2008-09 Barrage will complete over 200 performances in the U.S., Europe, Asia and Canada — at international festivals, theatrical presentations, concert performances, educational events and TV appearances, promoters said.

The new Barrage performance, "High Strung," offers a diverse fusion of cultures and musical styles and incredible performance vitality. The group's music continues to evolve, combining contemporary world music influences, layered vocal arrangements and pulsating modern beats and rhythms.

Since its creation in Canada in 1996, Barrage has played for presidents, prime ministers and princes.

The cast features six violinists/vocalists, a drummer, a bass player and a guitarist.

Information: [www.barrage.org](http://www.barrage.org).



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# COMING HOME

## How a makeshift camp welcomes a wounded soldier

By Karen Bossick  
Times-News correspondent

HAILEY — Jenny Sutter is a 30-year-old Marine sergeant just returned from fighting in Iraq.

But she returned without her lower right leg, and she feels as if she has lost her mind.

Her struggle to return to civilian life — and her two kids — will be portrayed onstage beginning Saturday as Company of Fools presents “Welcome Home Jenny Sutter.”

“It’s a play about hope, about getting to know oneself,” said Michelle Carter, who plays Jenny.

Company of Fools will be the fifth theater company in the country to stage the play, written by Julie Marie Myatt, a member of a military family.

Jenny finds herself in Slab City, a makeshift camp of eccentric residents in the Colorado Desert near Niland, Calif.

Slab City really does exist, said Denise Simone, who will portray a non-stop-talking woman addicted to everything — including an addiction to curing herself of addictions. It sits in the shadow of Salvation Mountain, a small hill covered in acrylic paint, concrete and Bible verses.

It got its name from the concrete slabs left over

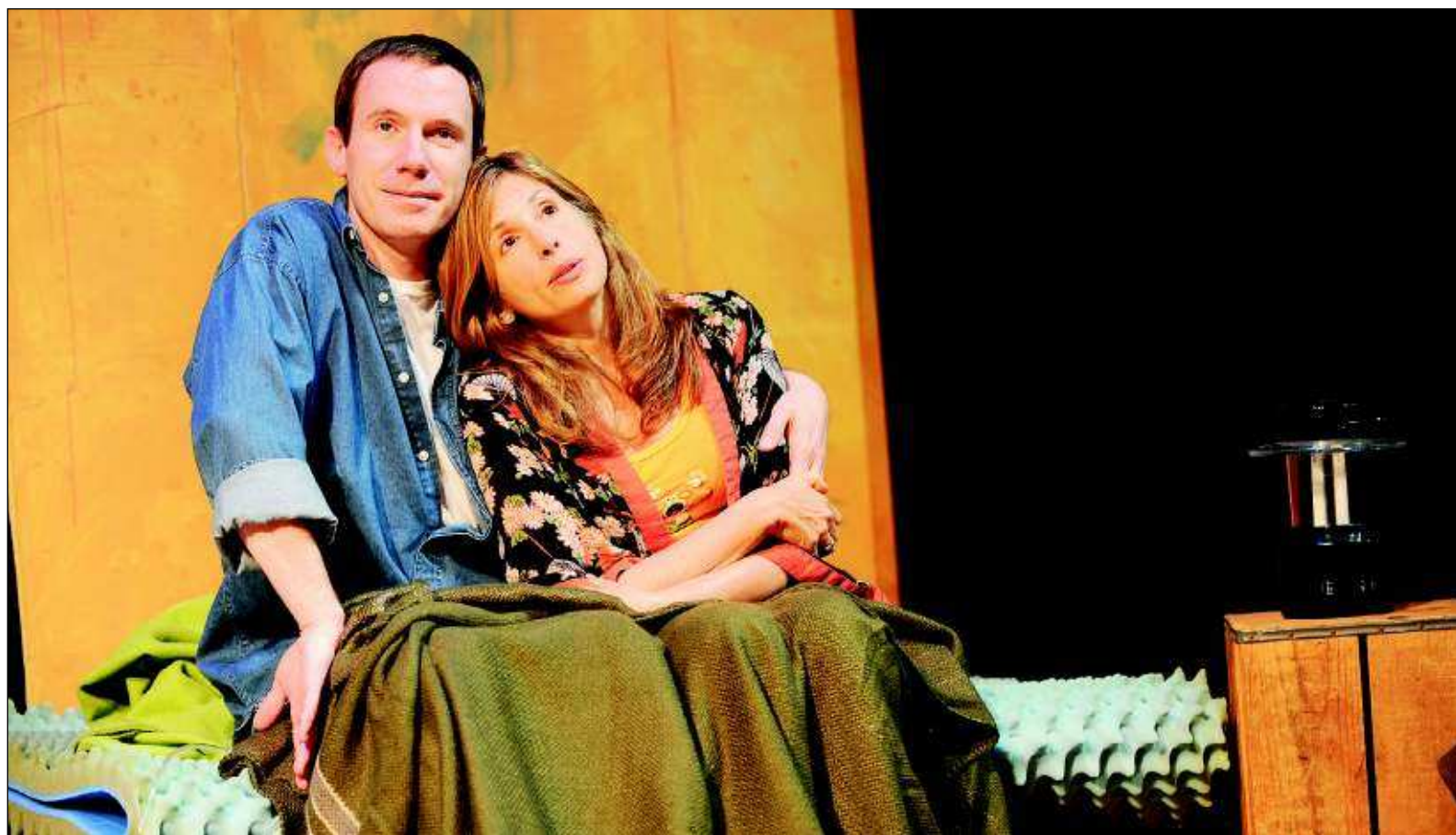


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‘Welcome Home Jenny Sutter’ is the last of three productions to open in the Company of Fools’ Summer Fools Festival.

### ART FROM GARBAGE

- **What:** Company of Fools production of “Welcome Home Jenny Sutter”
- **When:** 7 p.m. July 16, 19, 22 and 23 and Aug. 2; 8 p.m. July 11, 25 and 31; 2 p.m. July 12.
- **Where:** The Liberty Theatre in Hailey
- **Tickets:** \$25 for adults, \$18 for seniors 62 and older, \$10 for students 18 and younger, \$18 per ticket for groups of six or more (students in the group pay \$10).
- **Special deals:** July 11 is Pay What You Feel Preview. Educators can buy two \$10 tickets in advance for July 12. And 10 front-row seats are available for \$10 each for each play. Reservations: 1-208-578-9122.
- **Festival passes:** A pass good for “Welcome Home Jenny Sutter” and two other plays — “Steel Magnolias” and “110 in the Shade” — costs \$60 for adults, \$45 for seniors and \$30 for students. A pass good for two of the three plays costs \$46 for adults, \$32 for seniors and \$20 for students. “110 in the Shade” is the musical version of “The Rainmaker,” the story of a con man who inadvertently brings good to a small town. And “Steel Magnolias” is the story of the bond between six longtime friends through joy and tragedy.

from an abandoned World War II base. Today several thousand RV owners and squatters camp there for

free during winter, despite the fact that there’s no running water or electricity. About 150 endure the brutal

heat during summer. It’s a place where residents feel free to express themselves, creating art-

work out of garbage.

A character’s pulpit in the Fools’ play, for instance, was based on an actual Slab City sculpture made from a busted TV set and other items.

And Hailey artist Richard Rush created a large mural for the play based on some of the pictures the Fools found of Slab City. The artwork will bleed onto the slab that set designer Joe Lavigne will roll onto the stage.

“A lot of the residents of this city haven’t been able to fit into regular society. Yet they’re able to help this

returning veteran feel welcome and they do so out of genuine concern, not out of any political ambition,” said director Joel Vilinsky. “That to me is the driving force. Through all our past wars have we ever learned how to welcome back a wounded soldier — or a soldier for that matter? This addresses that.”

Other cast members are Rachel Abrams, David Janeski, Nick Miller and Cliff Todd.

Karen Bossick may be reached at [kbossick@cox-internet.com](mailto:kbossick@cox-internet.com).

# Taste the lavender and pluck the blooms

Times-News

BUHL — Good times will be in bloom at Valley View Lavender Farm this weekend. The farm is hosting its sixth annual Lavender Fest from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday and Sunday.

The festival lineup includes free live entertainment, an eclectic array of artisans and merchants, horse and carriage rides through the lavender fields, you-pick lavender, guided tours, a lavender-inspired meal, a kids’ activity table and more. The farm’s gift shop will sell merchandise made on site, including spices, lotions and home decor. Buhl’s Blue Rock Winery will be on site with

wine tastings and sales. Festival admission is free, but activities cost a fee.

The farm grows 16 varieties of lavender, and shop manager Dana Jackson said visitors will be impressed with the addition of new varieties Violet Intrigue and Loden Blue.

“The Purple Intrigue (blooms) are just gorgeous. It’s bloomed once but will be budding again for the festival. We chose it as an addition to the farm because after you cut the blooms its deep purple color stays true and it’s just awesome for home decor items we create here, like wreaths,” Jackson said. “The Loden Blue is our other new plant, and its

unique blue color is beautiful, too.”

The festival’s signature is its Lavender Lunch. For \$10 a plate, guests will receive chicken roasted in a Herb de Provence spice mix, a lavender-herbed roll, cool fruit medley drizzled in fresh lavender syrup, and lavender-infused tea or lemonade.

Other menu items include lavender margaritas, \$5, and lavender ice cream, \$1. A hot dog lunch for \$3.50 will be available.

After the festival, at 6:30 p.m. Sunday, a memorial service open to the public will be held for Al Armstrong, who opened the farm with his new bride, Peggy Armstrong, in 1996.

He died in April from brain cancer.

Directions: Just west of

Buhl on U.S. Highway 30, turn north onto 1325 East. Follow signs to the farm.

Information: 543-4283 or [www.valleyviewlavender-farm.com](http://www.valleyviewlavender-farm.com).

## Burley actor stars in Pocatello theater show

Times-News

Brawn Baker of Burley landed the starring role in Mystique Theater’s summer production of Disney’s “Aladdin Jr.” The show opened in Pocatello on July 2 and runs through Aug. 29.

Baker plays Aladdin in the show, which includes a flying carpet, explosive sound effects, smoking lamps and magical genies. Tickets: 238-8001 or [www.mystiquetheater.com](http://www.mystiquetheater.com).

“It is a wonderfully fun production that the whole family will enjoy,” said Terry Commons, the theater’s owner and the show’s producer. Baker “brings charisma and charm to this role.”



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Aladdin (Brawn Baker) is challenged by the wickedly evil Jafar (Mitchell Bray) and his sidekick Iago (Sid Horrocks).

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# Love in a boomtown Oakley cast prepares gold rush story

By Judy Albertson  
Times-News writer

"Paint Your Wagon," a comedy and love story set in California's gold rush days, will open for Oakley audiences on Thursday.

Oakley Valley Arts Council's production, directed by Kent Severe, will show at 7:30 p.m. July 16, 17, 18, 20, 21, 23, 24, 27, 28, 30 and 31, and Aug. 1. A matinee is set for 2 p.m. July 25.

In the California wilderness in May 1853, crusty old miner Ben Rumson conducts a makeshift funeral for a friend. Meanwhile his daughter, Jennifer, discovers gold dust. Ben claims the land, and prospectors flock to the new town of Rumson.

It soon becomes a boomtown filled with men, and Jennifer is the only girl in town. She sends for Cherry and her fandango girls. Julio Valveras, a handsome young miner, is forced to live and work



Jason Hull, right, playing Julio in 'Paint Your Wagon,' speaks with miner Josh Thurston in a rehearsal for the Oakley Valley Arts Council production.

outside of town because he is Mexican. He falls in love, but trouble arises. The story includes the arrival of a Mormon polygamist, and one of his wives get sold.

The show includes pop-

ular songs such as "They Call the Wind Mariah," "I Talk to the Trees" and "Wandrin' Star."

In the Oakley production, Ben Rumson is played by Burton Anderson, who

has starred in and directed numerous OVAC productions and returns to the stage for "Paint Your Wagon."

Jennifer is played by Ashley Hull, who recently



Fandango dancers kick up their heels in a rehearsal for Oakley's 'Paint Your Wagon' show.

played by Tom Nilsen, who is from the Oakley area and works at Cassia Regional Medical center as a physical therapist.

And in the role of Sarah is Temperance Davis, a fine art major at College of Southern Idaho who won Best Actress in a Musical honors from the local Curtain Call award association for her role in "Seussical the Musical."

Tickets: 677-2787.

Jacob the polygamist is

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<p><b>FRIDAY, JULY 10</b></p> <p><b>6:30 pm</b> <b>Community Dinner</b> Roast Pig &amp; all the trimmings. Donations are accepted.</p> <p><b>6:30 pm</b> <b>Good Neighbor of the Year Presentation</b> (City Park)</p> <p><b>Magic Valley Fiddlers Band</b></p>	<p><b>SATURDAY, JULY 11</b></p> <p><b>6-9:30 am</b> <b>Breakfast in the Park</b></p> <p><b>7:00 am</b> <b>5k Fun Run/Walk</b> (3.2 miles)</p> <p><b>8:00 am</b> <b>Flag Raising at City Park</b></p> <p><b>8:15 am</b> <b>Bike Races</b></p>	<p><b>SATURDAY con't</b></p> <p><b>10:30 am</b> <b>Good Neighbor Days Parade</b></p> <p><b>11:00 am</b> <b>3 on 3 Basketball</b></p> <p>Register at: <a href="http://www.Kimida.com">www.Kimida.com</a></p>	<p><b>SATURDAY con't</b></p> <p><b>11 am - 2 pm</b> <b>Kanyon Kountry Live Band</b></p> <p><b>3 pm - 5 pm</b> <b>Kimberly Road Band</b></p> <p><b>Noon to 5:00 pm</b> <b>Food, Games, Craft Booths &amp; entertainment at the City Park. SEE YOU THERE!</b></p>
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# EVENTS CALENDAR

## NEXT WEEK

### Music/Twin Falls

Pianist **Andrew Bortz** plays dinner music, 7-9 p.m. **JULY 17**, and vocalist **Robin Mingo** plays easy listening music, 9-11 p.m., at Canyon Crest Dining and Event Center, 330 Canyon Crest Drive. No cover.

### Music/Twin Falls

**Broke City** plays at 9 p.m. **JULY 17** at Woody's, and **DJ Night** with **Joey Bravo** and **Icy**, 9 p.m., in the Blue Room at Woody's, 213 Fifth Ave. S. No cover.

### Astronomy/Almo

**City of Rocks Star Party**

with solar viewing, 2-6 p.m. **JULY 17** at Smoky Mountain Campground at Castle Rocks State Park. Nighttime telescope viewing from 10 p.m. to midnight near the ranch-house site.

### Music/Sun Valley

**Barrage** performs at 7:30 p.m. **JULY 17** at the Sun Valley Pavilion at Sun Valley Resort, as part of the Summer Concert Series. A high-energy fiddle-fest with an international, multi-talented cast performing a mix of music, song and dance, with a diverse fusion of cultures and musical styles. The show, featuring six violinists/vocalists, drummer, bass player and guitarist, combines contemporary world music influences, layered vocal arrangements and pulsating

modern beats and rhythms. Since its creation in Calgary, Canada, in 1996, Barrage has been featured many times at events worldwide and their television productions aired on several international TV networks. Tickets are \$20, \$32 and \$40, at sunvalley pavilion.com, 622-2135, 888-622-2108 or at Sun Valley Recreation box office. (\$5 discount at the box office with G. Love and Special Sauce concert ticket or ticket stub.)

### Art walk/Hailey

**Art Walk**, 5-8 p.m. **JULY 17** at area businesses, featuring work created by Wood River Valley artists. Event is part of "Month of Art," which partners local area artists with business-

es in a month-long exhibition of paintings, drawings, prints, photographs, jewelry and sculpture. Sponsored by Wood River Arts Alliance, Hailey Chamber of Commerce and Hailey Arts Commission.

### Folk/Ketchum

**Cow Says Moo**, a trio with contemporary folk and acoustic indie, 6:30-9:30 p.m. **JULY 17** at Papa Hemi's Hideaway, 310 S. Main St. No cover.

### Movie/Bellevue

**Hot Summer Nights Outdoor Movie**, featuring "Pillow Talk" with Rock Hudson, **JULY 17** at Bellevue Memorial Park. Show starts at 9:20 p.m. with cartoon trailers. Bring lawn chairs. Made possible through a

grant from Hayward Family Foundation, and sponsored by Hailey Chamber of Commerce and Bellevue Council. Free admission; bring a non-perishable food donation for the Hunger Coalition.

### Theater/Glenns Ferry

**Historic Opera Theatre** presents a comedy murder mystery, "Let Him Sleep 'Til It's Time For His Funeral," at a dinner show **JULY 17** at 208 E. Idaho Ave. Dinner starts at 6:30 p.m.; show at 7:45 p.m. Tickets are \$22.50 for dinner and show (choice of steak or chicken); show-only tickets are \$7 general admission, \$6 for seniors and children. Dinner reservations required; 366-7408.

**Lecture/Stamley Sawtooth Forum and Lecture Series** with a presentation by **Dr. Rochelle Johnson**, "Developing a Sense of Place," 5 p.m. **JULY 17** at Stanley Museum on Idaho Highway 75. A focus on the meaning of having a sense of place, the benefits knowing a landscape well, and the role that knowledge of natural history plays in developing a sense of place. Johnson, an assistant professor of English, has directed the College of Idaho's Environmental Studies Program and has published several articles and books. Series presented by Sawtooth Interpretive and Historical Association. Free admission. discoversawtooth.org.

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# 'Wake' hits the Snake today

By Ryan Howe  
Times-News writer

BURLEY — Ask any competitor at the Wake in the Snake this weekend, and he or she is sure to tell you this wakeboard tournament is one of the best in the West.

"People like to come to Burley, they come from other states because it's one of the best venues around," said Carol Warr of Idaho Water Sports, which puts on the event.

What makes the Wake in the Snake so popular is how spectator-friendly the venue is at the Burley Golf Course Marina. People can watch the riders up-close from the comfort of the grassy and shaded bank. Plus, the Snake River provides riders with great water, for the most part, allowing them to go all-out.

The annual event, now in its 11th year, is also known for its high standard of judging. Head judge Ryan

## WAKE IN THE SNAKE

**What:** Wakeboard Competition  
**Where:** Burley Golf Course Marina  
**Today:** Pre-party with double-up competition, 7-9 p.m.  
**Saturday:** Competition starts 9 a.m.  
**Admission:** Free to the public

Shimabukuro is back for his sixth Wake in the Snake. Shimabukuro has judged pro and amateur wakeboard tournaments since 1999, including elite events such as the Gravity Games, Pro Wakeboard Tour, Malibu Open, USA Nationals and Collegiate Nationals.

The competition is divided into classes: grom (9 and under), novice, intermediate, advanced, outlaw and women's.

Last year's outlaw champion, Dave Bagley, will not be back to defend his title, leaving the door open for Team

Idaho Water Sports members Braxton Tomlinson and Andrew Wallace, who finished second and third, respectively. Both Tomlinson and Wallace were recently chosen to join Hyperlite's legion team, the first-ever Idaho riders to receive that honor.

The party gets started tonight with a double-up contest, where riders put in \$5 and the winner takes all. There will also be a free concert hosted by Marcus Meeks from 7-9 p.m. and games provided by Adam Haynes of State Farm Insurance.

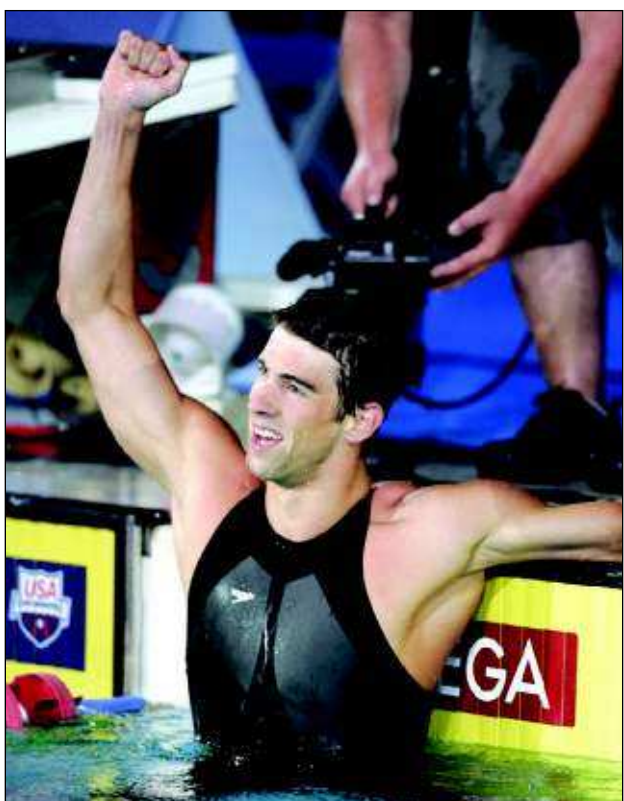
On Saturday, registration and check-in for riders is at 7:30 a.m., followed by a mandatory riders' meeting at 8:30. Competition begins at 9 a.m. All events are free to the public, thanks to sponsorships by Key Bank and 99.9 the Buzz.

Boaters should be aware the Burley Golf Course Marina will be closed to the public on Saturday.



Trent Pinther goes big with a tantrum in preparation for this weekend's Wake in the Snake wakeboard competition at the Burley Golf Course Marina.

Courtesy Idaho Water Sports



AP photo

Michael Phelps celebrates after setting a world record of 50.22 seconds in the finals of the men's 100-meter butterfly at the U.S. National Swimming Championships in Indianapolis, Thursday.

## Phelps breaks 100 fly world record at U.S. nationals

By Beth Harris  
Associated Press writer

INDIANAPOLIS — Four months after deciding to keep swimming, Michael Phelps took ownership of a world record that had eluded him for years.

He won the 100-meter butterfly at the U.S. national championships Thursday night in 50.22 seconds, lowering Ian Crocker's mark of 50.40 set at the 2005 world championships in Montreal.

Phelps' feat came just two months after returning from a suspension that was part of the longest layoff of his career, which he considered ending when a photograph of him using a marijuana pipe surfaced.

"It really shows anything can happen if you put your mind to it," Phelps said. "It feels good to get a best time."

Wearing his usual Speedo LZR suit, Phelps led at 50

See **PHELPS**, Sports 2

## Poll: MLB fans feel priced out at ballpark

By Ben Walker  
Associated Press writer

Clarence Eckstein grew up in Ohio, when a great summer day meant driving 2½ hours with his dad to see Pete Rose and the Big Red Machine.

At 51, Eckstein still cheers for Cincinnati. From home, on TV.

"Tickets, gas, food, it's a few hundred dollars," he said. "Other bills are more of a priority."

He's got company. The high price of attending games is by far the biggest problem in Major League Baseball, an Associated Press-Knowledge Networks poll of fans released Thursday shows.

A whopping 63 percent



said the steep cost was the game's top trouble — up from 45 percent in a survey right before opening day. Worries over players making too much money or taking steroids lagged behind.

"It's sad when people can't afford to come to a game. No doubt. I would love for every kid and every adult to be able to afford to come to a ballpark," Texas Rangers pitcher Eddie Guardado said. "Somebody's going to come up with a good idea to fix it."

See **PRICES**, Sports 2

# TIME WITH THE TROOPS



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University of Idaho head football coach Robb Akey, left, shakes hands with U.S. Army Sgt. Nathanael Buschmann, from Oregon, Wis., at Camp As Sayliyah, Qatar on Sunday. 'I'm a big college football fan,' Buschmann told Akey. 'During the season, I try to watch every game — even the ones that come on at 2 a.m.'

## Idaho coach visits U.S. service members in Middle East

By Mike Christensen  
Times-News writer

In less than one month, Robb Akey will be directing his troops as the University of Idaho opens fall football camp. But today, Akey is in the Middle East, visiting America's troops. Akey, who enters his third season with the Vandals this fall, is one of five NCAA football coaches touring various military installations in the Middle East in a show of support for deployed troops.

"We had quite a day today," Akey said Thursday in an e-

mail released by Idaho's media relations department.

"(We) made another visit to another base and met a great group of people. It is awesome the way they respond to adversity and use teamwork to get the job done under very adverse conditions. Their spirits and pride are sky high."

Akey is joined in the Middle East by Montana coach Bobby Hauck, West Point coach Chris Smeland, James Madison's Mickey Matthews and Rice coach David Bailiff. The coaches' visits are orchestrated by Koeberle and Associates, a sports and entertainment marketing agency.

Akey said his time with the troops has given him perspective on the game he loves.

"The adversity they deal with is death, not the loss of a game," said Akey, "and an opponent that is trying to kill them."

Thursday's activities included a visit to a hospital that Akey described as "a very humbling experience."

"We met some there who had been injured in firefights or by IEDs (improvised explosive devices). "(I) had a fantastic conversation with a

Special Forces member who had been injured in a firefights and I will tell you, he is one tough son of a gun. ... The doctors, nurses, surgeons and support people at the hospital are another pretty special crew."

This past Sunday, Akey met hundreds of U.S. service members at Camp As Sayliyah in Qatar. Since then, his travels have continued in conditions that include 110-degree heat.

"Everything is brown and you really don't even see the sky from the dust in the air," said Akey. "I promise you everything here makes you appreciate what we all have at home."

Akey said he has been surprised by the troop's excitement to meet with the coaches, he and his colleagues constantly thanked for their visits. And despite being thousands of miles from Moscow, Akey has found a few with ties to the Gem State.

"We have some good Vandal fans over here and I think we have gained some new ones," he said. "I have run into a number from Idaho and met a high ranking alum yesterday."

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— University of Idaho football coach Robb Akey









## 2010 FORD FUSION HYBRID SEDAN

# New Good Looks, New Possibilities!

First Look!  
By Ken Chester, Jr.  
Motor News Media Corporation

The all-new 2010 Ford Fusion sedan is the starting point for the automaker's first passenger car hybrid -- the 2010 Fusion Hybrid sedan. Offering class-leading fuel economy, the second-generation powertrain system combines the best attributes of the gasoline engine and electric battery-driven motors to deliver the optimal experience in terms of driving performance and fuel economy.

Based on the regular top-of-the-line SEL model, the new front-wheel drive Fusion Hybrid receives the same sporty and upscale exterior treatment as the standard Fusion sedan. The newly designed front includes a powerfully domed hood, new headlamps, new front grille and larger fog lamps. Aerodynamic enhancements and new underbody shields further boost fuel economy.

The next generation hybrid system in the 2010 Fusion Hybrid features a new 2.5L four-cylinder Atkinson cycle



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gasoline engine with a permanent magnet AC synchronous electric motor. The hybrid prime mover is mated to an electronically controlled continuously variable transmission (e-CVT). The propulsion system for the 2010 Ford Fusion Hybrid transitions between gasoline and electric power and back more efficiently and seamlessly.

In addition the hybrid system includes intake variable cam timing (iVCT) which allows

the vehicle to more seamlessly transition from gasoline to electric and vice-versa with the spark and cam timing varied according to the engine load to optimize efficiency and emissions. Enhanced electronic throttle control reduces airflow on shutdowns, reducing fueling needs on restarts. A wide-band lambda sensor analyzes the air-fuel ratio and adjusts the lean/rich mixture accordingly to keep the system in balance and to

minimize emissions. An added variable voltage converter boosts the voltage to the traction battery to operate the motor and generator more efficiently.

A new smaller, lighter nickel-metal hydride optimized battery produces 20 percent more power. Improved chemistry allows the battery to run at a higher temperature, yet to cool using the air in the passenger cabin. A new high-efficiency converter provides 14

percent increased output to accommodate a wider array of vehicle features.

The overall system upgrade allows the Fusion Hybrid to operate longer at higher speeds in electric mode. It can operate up to 47 mph in pure electric mode, approximately twice as fast as some competitors.

Inside the cabin, the interior reflects a more contemporary technical look with metallic finishes on the all-new instrument panel, center console, doors

and steering wheel. The instrument panel is finished with a soft upper and lower skin. Displays and switches also feature a contemporary Ice Blue lighting.

2010 Ford Fusion Hybrid Body style: four-door hybrid sedan

Dimensions & specifications  
Wheelbase: 107.4;  
overall length: 190.6;  
width: 72.2; height: 56.9.  
All vehicle measurements are in inches.

Engine: 2.5L four-cylinder Atkinson cycle -- 156 hp at 6,000 rpm and 136 ft-lbs at 2,250 rpm, permanent magnet AC synchronous electric motor -- 106 hp at 6,500 rpm and 275 volts maximum.

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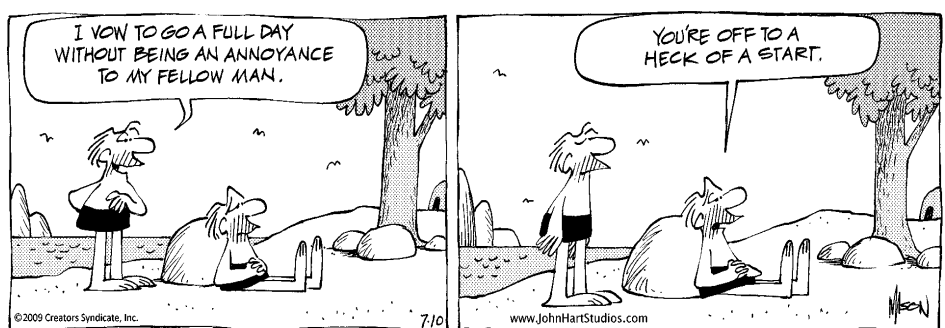








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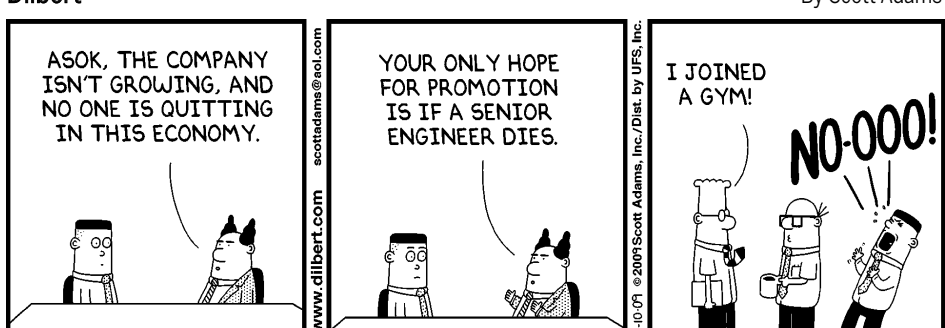
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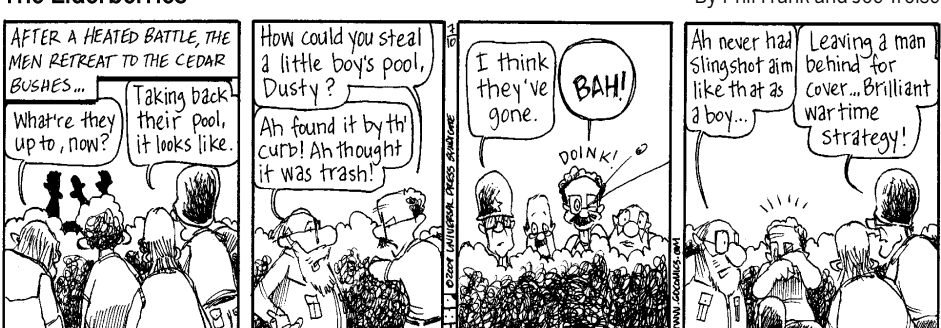
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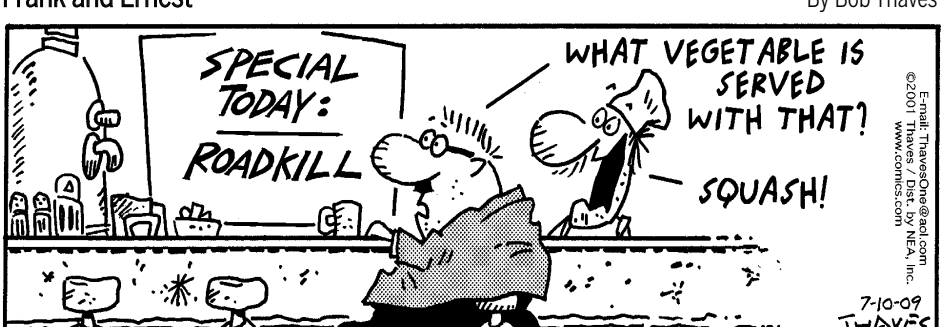
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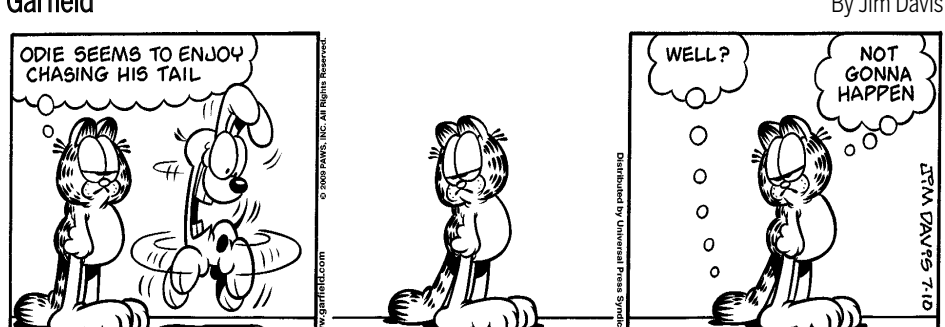
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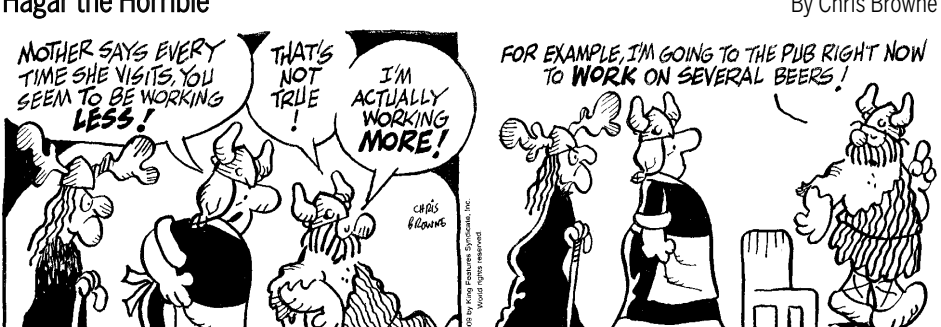
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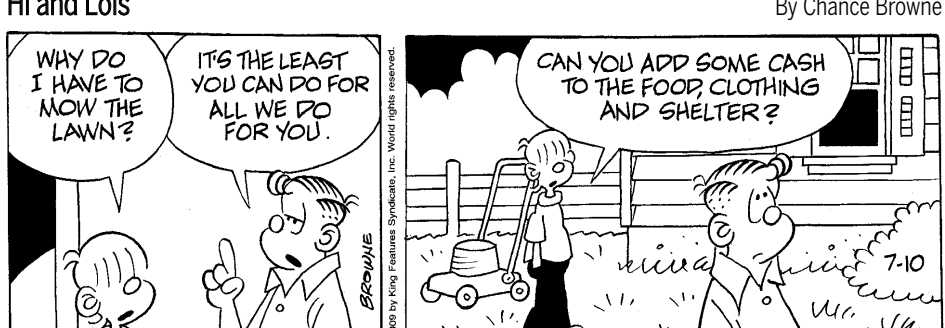
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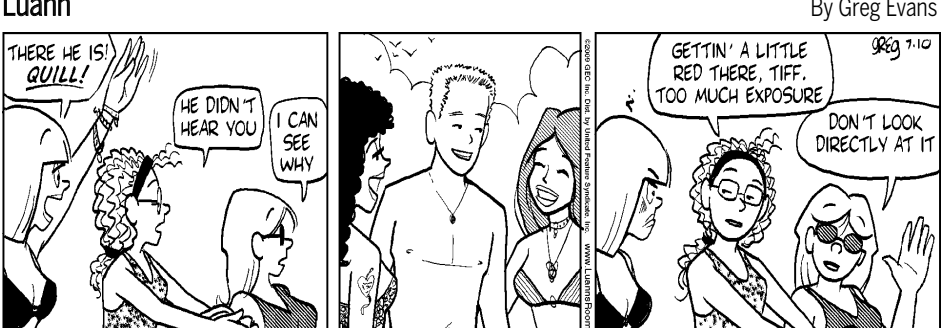
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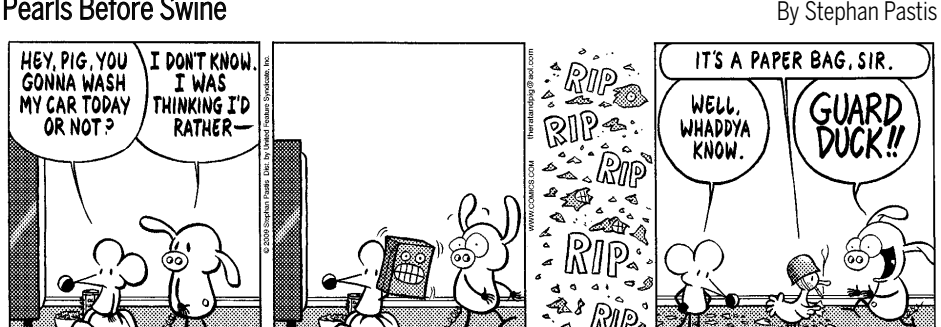
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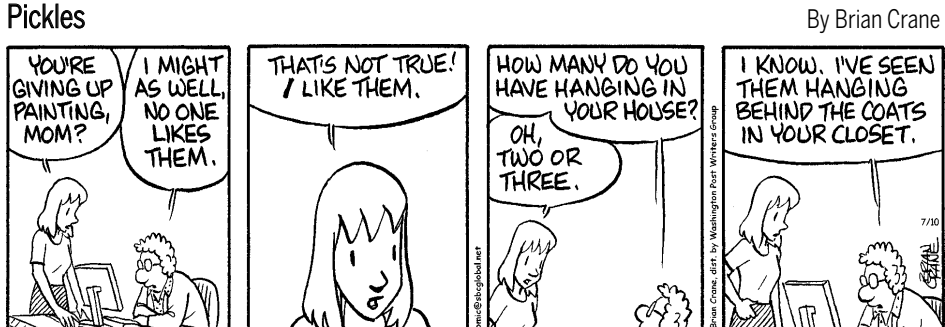
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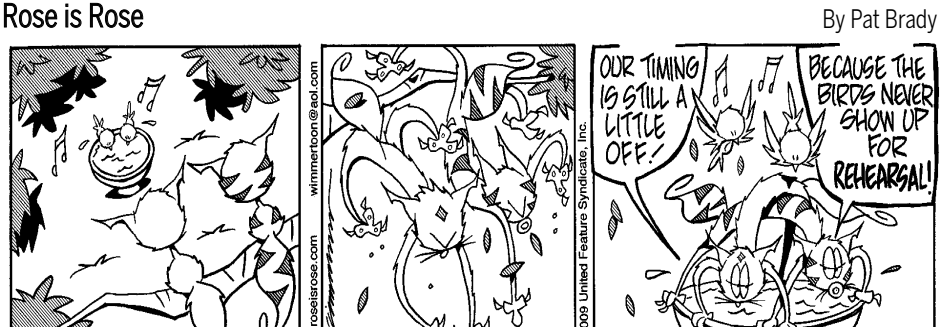
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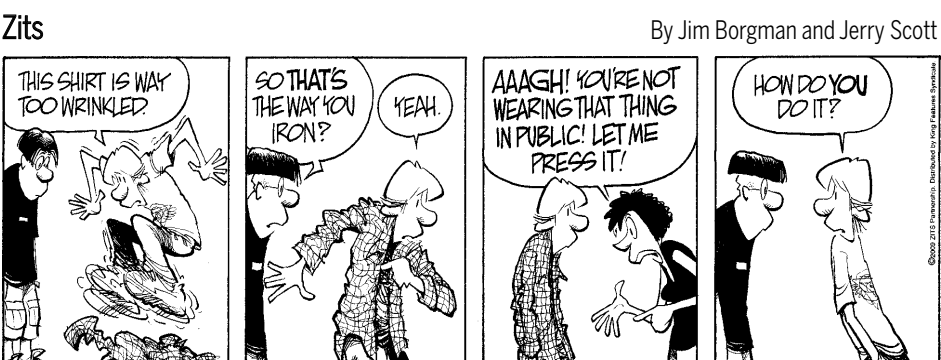
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