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SAWTOOTH BECOMES TITLE 1 SCHOOL

School will receive more federal funds for struggling students

By Ben Botkin
 Times-News writer

Sawtooth Elementary School crossed a threshold in the past school year that will lead to more federal dollars to help the Twin Falls school with academics.

This year, Sawtooth is now a Title 1 school. Title 1 is a federal program that provides extra support to schools based on poverty through the No Child Left Behind Act.

Sawtooth became eligible by passing the 40 percent mark in March in its percentage of students in the federal free and reduced school lunch program. Sawtooth's rate was 43.5 percent of students in March.

For Sawtooth, the federal funding amount for the 2009-10 school year is \$77,525, said Associate Superintendent Patti O'Dell.

"What it's doing is providing assistance to those children who might be left behind due to poverty or the effects of poverty," O'Dell said.

Sawtooth's Title 1 status covers the entire school, which means the Title 1 services can help any student, regardless of whether or not they are eligible for the free and reduced lunch program.

The funding will cover: a certified Title 1 teacher; a paraeducator for Title 1 needs; and a half-time teaching position for additional kindergarten instruction. Of the funding, \$1,693 is set aside for increasing and

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ASHLEY SMITH/Times-News
 Connie Cuellar teaches second-graders math Monday at Sawtooth Elementary School in Twin Falls. Sawtooth Elementary School this year gained Title 1 status, which means that the school will now receive more federal funding to help students struggling academically. Title 1 funding is based on how many students are in the federal free and reduced lunch program.

Few changes emerge from city's latest budget talks

By Jared S. Hopkins
 Times-News writer

The Twin Falls City Council on Monday held another lengthy discussion on its proposed budget for next year — including rare voting on individual line items — and lent credence to the old adage that watching government work is like making sausage.

The meeting resulted in few changes to the overall \$48.3 million budget for next year — around \$60,000 was shaved — but yielded nearly three hours of conversation to satisfy council member Will Kezele, a critic of the budget who requested the meeting that his colleagues reluctantly agreed to attend.

"The will of the council is coming through quite clear," he said toward the end of the meeting. "I appreciate this opportunity to have had some of these discussions. I know not everybody wanted to be here."

The proposed budget is around \$1.7 million, or nearly 4 percent, less than this year's. There have been four discussions, and a public hearing was held last week. The new fiscal year begins Oct. 1.

A vote to suspend rules

and vote on the budget Monday did not receive enough support.

The council slashed just \$60,550 through the handful of individual line item votes. Among the items reduced were the council's training budget, including money for attending conferences, by more than \$5,000, and eliminating new computer screens for the council chambers at a savings of \$35,000.

But Kezele didn't push through all his items, such as raising the deductible for city employee insurance.

Before Monday's meeting, traditional input from the council had led to a budget decrease of around \$350,000. In the last 25 fiscal years, Twin Falls' city budget has dropped just four times from one fiscal year to the next, according to the city.

Nevertheless, there was quite a bit of debate Monday, despite the council voting on just half of what Kezele originally pitched for the agenda.

At one point Councilman David E. Johnson said he supports trimming the budget but was opposed to cutting spending for the sake

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Wolf hunts to open, judge eyes injunction request

By Matthew Brown
 Associated Press writer

MISSOULA, Mont. — Gray wolf hunting is set to begin in the Northern Rockies, even as a federal judge eyes a request to stop the

killing of the predators just four months after they were removed from the endangered species list.

U.S. District Judge Donald Molloy said Monday he would rule as quickly as he could on a last-minute injunction sought by envi-

ronmental and animal welfare groups opposed to the hunts in Idaho and Montana.

Hunters were poised to head into the field Tuesday in Idaho, where a quota allowed as many as 220 wolves to be killed. Montana's sea-

son is set to begin Sept. 15, with a quota of 75 wolves.

Missoula hunter Mac McLaughlin attended Monday's court hearing then left to buy his

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Multiple flu shots ahead?

By Ben Botkin
 Times-News writer

This flu season, multiple vaccine shots may be necessary to guard against both seasonal flu and swine flu.

Children face the prospect of as many as four shots for protection against both strains of flu, though the final details are still under development, health officials said.

This much is known: with doses of the vaccine for H1N1 — also known as swine flu — not expected to arrive until October, September is the month to get your dose of seasonal flu vaccine.

Children getting the seasonal flu vaccine for the first time need two doses. At the same time, H1N1 vaccinations may need to be given in two doses. With the two vaccinations combined, some children could face four needles with four separate vaccine doses this flu season.



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a booster dose.

Adults are also looking at one seasonal flu vaccine dose along with an additional one or two swine flu vaccine doses.

Health officials are encouraging the public not to delay getting vaccinated.

"As long as we have vaccine we'll give it, but we would like to give it as early as we can," Becker said.

Tom Shanahan, spokesman for the Idaho Department of Health and Welfare, said the state is still looking at getting swine flu vaccine supplies sometime in the second half of October. He said that clinical trials for the swine flu vaccine are still under way.

"Until they're finished they won't know for certain," he said.

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The best economic indicator: men's underwear

By Ylan Q. Mui
 The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — For one answer to the nation's most pressing economic question — when will the recession end? — just take a peek inside the American man's underwear drawer.

There may be some new pairs there, judging by recent reports from retailers and analysts, and that could mean better days ahead for everyone.

Here's the theory, briefly: Sales of men's underwear typically are stable because they rank as a necessity. But during times of severe financial strain, men will try to stretch the time between buying new pairs, causing underwear sales to dip.

"It's a prolonged purchase," said Marshal Cohen, senior analyst with the consumer research firm NPD Group. "It's like trying to drive your car an extra 10,000 miles."

The growth in sales of men's underwear began to slow last year as the recession took hold, according to Mintel, another research firm. This year, Mintel expects sales to fall 2.3 percent, the first drop since the company started

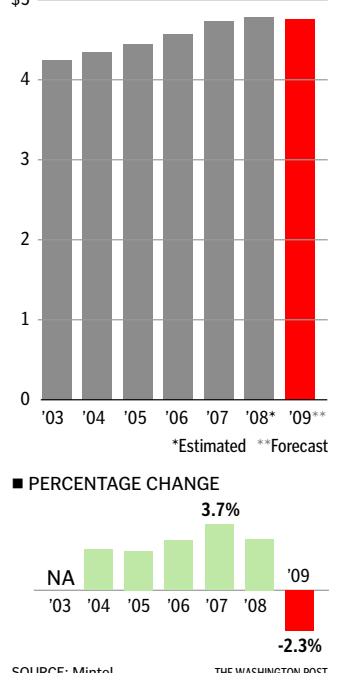
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Underwear Index?

Underwear sales for men are typically stable because the product is a universal necessity. During tough economic times, however, sales dip as men try to space out their purchases.

Total U.S. retail sales of men's underwear

■ IN BILLIONS, AT CURRENT PRICES



MORNING BRIEFING

Pat's Picks

Three things to do today

Pat Marcantonio



● Give an important gift today. An American Red Cross blood drive will be held from noon to 6 p.m. today and 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Wednesday at the Burley Armory, 2000 E. Main St. For information or appointments, 678-9840.

● If you have a wish to climb, sign up for Saturday's rock climbing workshop for beginner adults and children age 13 and older, sponsored by Idaho Department of Parks and Recreation. It includes the equipment,

lunch and an opportunity to climb at the City of Rocks National Reserve. The cost is \$10. Information: 208-824-5519, ext.106.

● If you're a teen, enjoy a movie and snacks at 4 p.m. at the Twin Falls Public Library, 201 Fourth Ave. E. There's no cost.

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

Law & Disorder...

... in Cassia County

From Aug. 28 police reports:

Battery:

Police were dispatched to a Burley residence about a battery report and discovered that a 40-year-old woman had yelled at another woman, age unknown, from the street.

The alleged victim said she was unbuckling her son from the car, and "the next thing she knew (the suspect) was hitting and kicking her."

The complainant said the other woman's husband, according to the report, "had gotten between" the two women. He was trying to pull the suspect off of the victim,

according to the report.

When questioned, the suspect allegedly said she believes her husband and the victim had an affair five years ago. The victim and the suspect's husband, she said, both work at the College of Southern Idaho and "talk all the time."

The suspect, according to the report, admitted hitting the woman and, when asked if it's all over, said yes. She was cited with battery and warned that she could also be charged with felony stalking, because, according to the victim, she "calls and bothers" her at work and on her cell phone.

— Damon Hunzeker

TODAY'S HAPPENINGS

ARTS AND ENTERTAINMENT

The sixth annual Plein Air Painters of Idaho Paint-out, spectators may observe 20-plus Idaho artists in their creative interpretations of the Sawtooth Mountains, Redfish Lake and surrounding wilderness, all day, Redfish Lake, Stanley, pleinairpaintersofidaho.org, ironcrk10@ruralnetwork.net or 774-3819.

CLUBS AND ORGANIZATIONS

Magic Valley New Neighbors Club meeting, 11:30 a.m., Blue Lakes Country Club Bass Lake Picnic area, 735-2422.

EXHIBITS

"The Container Show - Installation Two," with featured artists Jan Cox, Amanda Hamilton, Megan Murphy and Angela Tsai, presented by Sun Valley Center for the Arts, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., in storage containers on the center's new property, corner of Second Avenue and Fourth Street, Ketchum, no cost. sunvalleycenter.org or 726-9491.

"Ginny Blakeslee Breen's art exhibition," noon to 5 p.m., Magic Valley Arts Council's La Galeria Pequena, 132 Main Ave. S., Main Street Plaza, Twin Falls, free admission, 734-2787 or magicvalleyartscouncil.org.

Leo and Jennie Lortz' First Art Show, exhibit of water color and oil paintings, noon to 5 p.m., Eighth Street Center, 200 Eighth Ave. N., Buhl, 543-5417.

GOVERNMENT

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

Blaine County commissioners, 9 a.m., courthouse, 206 First Ave. S., Hailey, 788-5500.

Jerome County commissioners, 9 a.m., courthouse, 300 N. Lincoln St., 644-2700.

Jerome City Council, 5:30 p.m., council chambers, 100 E. Ave. A, 324-8189.

Kimberly Zoning Commission, 7 p.m., community center, 120 Madison St. W., 423-4151.

Shoshone City Council, 7 p.m., City Hall, 207 S. Rail St. W., 886-2030.

Filer City Council, 7:30 p.m., City Hall, 300

Main St., 326-5000.

HEALTH AND WELLNESS

SilverSneakers Fitness Program at Curves of Twin Falls, complete cardio and circuit training with resistance, state-of-the-art equipment and "Curves Smart" personalized coaching, 5:30 a.m. to 7 p.m., Twin Falls Curves, 690 Blue Lakes Blvd. N., no cost for Humana Gold-insured or AARP provided by Secure Horizons, 734-7300.

Fit and Fall Proof Exercise Class, 10 to 11 a.m., Living Waters Presbyterian Church, 821 E. Main St., Wendell, no cost, 737-5988.

Fit and Fall Proof Exercise Class, 10:30 a.m., First Segregation Fire Station, Eden, no cost, 737-5988.

Ongoing exercise program for people with Parkinson's disease, offered by St. Luke's Magic Valley Medical Center, 11 a.m. to noon, Episcopal Church of the Ascension, 371 Eastland Drive N., Twin Falls, no cost, 737-2977.

SilverSneakers Fitness Program, innovative exercise program designed specifically for Medicare beneficiaries' unique health and physical needs, 11:15 a.m. to noon, Twin Falls YMCA, 1751 Elizabeth Blvd., no cost for Humana-insured or YMCA members and \$5 per class for uninsured, 733-4384.

Adult Children Anonymous (ACA) meeting, for individuals recovering from alcoholic or dysfunctional family environment, 6 p.m., Canyon View Behavioral Services, 228 Shoup Ave. W. (west entrance), Twin Falls, no cost, 308-5656.

Divorce Care, a place to find help and healing for the hurt of separation and divorce, 6 p.m., Lighthouse Christian Fellowship, 960 Eastland Dr., Twin Falls, 737-4667.

MUSEUMS AND PARKS

Faulkner Planetarium "Sky Quest/Live Sky Tour" at 2 p.m. and "Two Small Pieces of Glass/Live Sky Tour" at 7 p.m., \$4.50 for adults, \$3.50 for senior citizens, \$2.50 for students, no cost for children under age 2 and a special price package for families with five children or less; "Led Zeppelin: Maximum Volume 1" at 8:15 p.m., \$4.50, Herrett Center for the Arts and Science,

north end of the College of Southern Idaho campus, Twin Falls, 732-6655.

"Mingle in the Jungle" free reptile review, 6 p.m., Herrett Center rain forest, Herrett Center, no cost, 732-6655.

HOBBIES AND CRAFTS

Line Dance Classes, 6 p.m., Twin Falls Senior Center, 530 Shoshone St. W., Twin Falls, \$3 donation, 410-5650 or www.galenslatter.com.

LIBRARY

Teen Flicks, movie and snacks for teenagers, 4 p.m., Twin Falls Public Library, 201 Fourth Ave. E., no cost, open to the public, 733-2964, ext. 110.

TODAY'S DEADLINE

Reminder for registration for Thursday's "So what? Who cares? Why you? Workshop," an all-day, interactive workshop on how to shape ideas into compelling business propositions using the workshop's tools and approaches, hosted by Idaho TechConnect and scholarship by Idaho National Laboratory, \$60 for workshop, workbook and lunch, 324-3455 or www.idahotechconnect.com for online registration.

Reminder for Saturday's Rock climbing workshop, for beginner adults and children age 13 and older sponsored by Idaho Department of Parks and Recreation; includes climbing instruction, safety awareness, all necessary equipment and hands-on opportunity to climb granite formation; sack lunch and drink provided, in the City of Rocks National Reserve, \$10 per-person registration fee, space limited, 208-824-5519 ext.106 or JuanitaJones@partner.nps.gov.

Deadline to RSVP for Sept. 13 10th anniversary Celebration Benefit Dinner, "It's a Grand Night for Singing" Under the Western Stars, with Cove Ranch tour (by one's own horse) at noon; lawn games at 3:30 p.m.; wine reception at 5 p.m.; and dinner with performance by Caritas Chorale directed by Dick Brown at 6 p.m., Cove Ranch, Gannett Road, Bellevue, \$150 per person, 726-5349, ext. 25 to make reservations.

Routine dispatch turns into Friday trailer-park brawl

By Damon Hunzeker
Times-News writer

BURLEY — Starving a dog constitutes an unpleasant offense, but what started as a routine dispatch Friday in Burley turned into a hair-pulling, officer-involved fight.

Cassia County Sheriff's Deputy Brynn Blacker responded to a trailer-park residence about an animal-abuse complaint at 10:30 a.m. She found, according to her report, a black Labrador retriever nursing five puppies without food or water.

"The female adult was extremely skinny," the report reads.

Neighbors told Blacker the dog or provides water. One, the report notes, said the owner "often kicks the dog."

Blacker left the scene and told the neighbors to call back if the owner returns — which is where the situation may have ended.

Instead, it took a strange turn toward violence.

About six hours later, Blacker returned after a neighbor called to say the dog's owner had returned.

"I noticed someone look out the curtain," Blacker's report reads.

The woman behind the

curtain, Roxana Deniz, 28, reportedly became "argumentative and irritated" after Blacker asked her about the Lab.

"I asked her why the dog was in the condition it was in. Roxana said it was because she (the dog) was nursing puppies, and it was hot, and maybe (the dog) had worms," the report reads.

When asked for her identification, Deniz allegedly said, "Why?" Blacker told her she was issuing her a citation for cruelty to animals.

Blacker asked for Deniz's ID "several times," resulting in Deniz allegedly calling someone on her cell phone while Blacker waited. After a final command to relinquish her identification, Deniz allegedly refused and was told she would be placed under arrest for obstruction.

"No!" she allegedly said and then, after Blacker attempted to subdue her, according to the report, Deniz "pushed, pulled, and twisted away from me."

Blacker disengaged Deniz and called for back-up before returning.

"I can't remember the exact order of events during the fight," Blacker's report reads. "I was on the ground with Roxana at least once,

possibly twice. At one point Roxana grabbed my hair and gripped into my ponytail with her hand.

"I ended up on my knees with Roxana above me on my back. Roxana had me pinned down with my face toward the ground."

Blacker, according to the report, punched Deniz "once or twice in the head or face" before returning to her feet.

At that point, Jovita Deniz, 44, allegedly showed up and walked toward Blacker's side — "making me concerned for my firearm," the report reads.

Blacker, the report states, applied a two-second burst of pepper spray to each of the women, whereupon they "both jumped on me."

Before Blacker applied several kicks to Roxana's knee, Jovita reportedly stole the pepper spray but gave it back when Blacker said, "Hey, give me that!"

Eventually, three backup officers arrived, and both women were arrested. But not before, according to the report, Roxana re-entered the trailer and walked out with two children, saying, "Why don't you just take my kids too?"

The children were declared in imminent danger and taken into the cus-

tody of Idaho Health and Welfare.

Roxana Deniz was arrested and cited for obstructing and delaying an offer, resisting arrest, animal cruelty, and battery on a police officer.

Jovita Deniz was arrested and cited for obstructing and delaying an officer, battery on a police officer, and robbery for taking the pepper spray.

According to Blacker's report, she ended up with scratch marks, bruises and "some hair pulled out."

"She did the right thing when she was overpowered by two on one," Cassia County Sheriff Randy Kidd said of Blacker calling for back-up. "This is a prime example of letting emotions get out of control. What would have been a relatively minor citation is now a huge problem for two people."

"... These situations can get dangerous fast, and there's just no reason for it ... I'm glad Brynn wasn't seriously injured. The other two were pepper-sprayed, but they weren't seriously injured, either. It's a defense weapon."

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Sawtooth

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improving information sent to parents with the goal of helping parental involvement.

Title I help for students is a supplement to their regular classroom instruction, not a replacement for it.

Using data, educators will identify students falling behind in areas of math, language arts and reading and put together an intervention plan.

Identifying students needing help will take place throughout the year. Data tools include the Idaho Reading Indicator tests, which gauge three times a year if students are reading at grade level.

O'Dell said that the goal is to get children help as soon as possible, noting

that the Title I program also helps kindergartners.

"The earlier we can intervene with children, the more likely we are to have them at grade level and achieving," she said.

Randy Rutledge, principal at Sawtooth for about 22 years, said that in the 1980s, less than 5 percent of students were on the free and reduced lunch program.

"We're excited to get the extra help for these kids," he said.

With the exception of the two high schools, all other schools in Twin Falls School District are Title I schools, including all elementary schools.

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cutting spending for the sake of doing so. He again criticized Kezele for proposing in July to cut an additional \$1.5 million without providing details.

"That's our charge — to balance the budget, and saying 'cut the budget' doesn't mean a whole lot. I have a whole lot more respect for someone or a position that says let's return money to taxpayers, let's reduce taxes," Johnson said. "I

haven't heard that on any discussions on any level."

Councilman Greg Lanting said Monday's meeting, and the review spearheaded by Kezele, reinforced his belief that city staff budgets well.

"It just reaffirmed my belief that we've got good people doing the best they can," he said.

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Wolf

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hunting tag, saying he was tired of the wolves attacking elk. He intended to use an elk call to lure wolves.

"If the opportunity comes up, you bet I'll shoot one," he said. "There's got to be a balance and our game populations have taken a terrible beating."

More than 9,000 hunters in Idaho already have bought tags allowing them to kill a wolf. Tags went on sale Monday in Montana.

Wolves were removed from the endangered species list in Idaho and Montana in May, with management of the animals transferred to the state wildlife agencies.

Doug Honnold of the environmental law firm Earthjustice said wolves

remained at risk because the states had insufficient safeguards to ensure their safety.

"It's the endangered species that need to be protected, not the states' rights to kill wolves," Honnold said during the hearing.

Michael Eitel, representing the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, said the agency would keep monitoring the wolves and step in to return the species to the endangered list if warranted.

"The Northern Rocky Mountain wolves are doing very well," Eitel said. "Yes there might be wolves that are killed, but that will not affect the population in Idaho and Montana."

Wolves once roamed

North America but by the 1930s had been largely exterminated outside Alaska and Canada. An estimated 1,650 of the animals now live in the Northern Rockies — the result of a contentious \$30 million reintroduction program that began in 1995.

Today, the debate centers on whether that population will remain viable if hunting is allowed. That population is now five times the original recovery goal set in the 1990s.

Wyoming was carved out of the territory where wolves were removed from the endangered list.

That prompted Honnold to claim the government had "flip-flopped" on a prior policy against making endangered species deci-

sions based on political boundaries.

In court, Eitel acknowledged his agency changed its position on the issue but urged Judge Molloy to accept its latest interpretation of the law.

Molloy appeared doubtful. "How am I supposed to make judgment as to which of their positions to give deference to?" he asked.

Molloy gave no indication how he might rule on the injunction request. State wildlife officials said the hunts would proceed pending the ruling.

Last year, Molloy sided with environmentalists in a similar case.

As a result, the federal government kept about 300 wolves in Wyoming on the endangered list.

Kindly ask the lake monster to give your line back

It's tough to quantify this sort of thing, but I believe Idaho may lead the nation in lake monsters.

Consider: **The Bear Lake Monster** — Granted, the oxygen level is a little thin at 6,000-foot-high Bear Lake, which straddles Idaho's border with Utah. But while the existence of the Bear Lake Monster has been debated at coffee shops and campfires since the first published report in 1868, this much is undisputed: Stories about the monster can make cash registers sing.

The 136-year-old tale got new fins when Bear Lake business owner Brian Hirschi recently told *The Salt Lake Tribune* he had seen the creature. Skeptics were quick to point out that his recounting of the sighting appeared on Memorial Day weekend — the start of the summer tourist season.

It happened, Hirschi insists, one night two years ago as he was anchoring his large pontoon boat — shaped like a sea monster — after a day of ferrying tourists around the 20-mile long, eight-mile wide and 208-foot deep crystal blue lake.

After throwing the anchor, he saw "these two humps in the water" about 100 yards from the boat. At first he thought they were lost water skis, but they disappeared. Then, his boat lifted up.

"I started to get scared," said Hirschi, who owns five watercraft rental locations around the lake. "The next thing I know, a serpent-like creature shot up out of the water."

He said it had "really dark, slimy green skin and deep beet-red eyes." It went back underwater and made a sound like a roaring bull before taking off.

YOU DON'T SAY Steve Crump



Sharlie (aka Slimy Slim), Payette Lake — Visitors to this picture-postcard lake that laps at the feet of tourist-friendly McCall have been seeing things for generations.

The first documented sighting of Sharlie by Western settlers occurred in 1920 when workers cutting ties at the upper end of the lake thought they saw a log in the lake. The "log" began to move. In August 1944 the serpent was reportedly seen by several groups of people who described it as 30 to 35 feet in length, with a dinosaur-type head and pronounced jaws, humps like a camel, and shell-like skin.

Alas, Sharlie ain't been seen since 2002.

Paddler, Lake Pend Oreille — A 20-foot-long beastie has been seen in the waters of Idaho's largest lake since the 1940s. Most witnesses describe him — her — as being 20 feet long and others have said he (she) tends to move up and down in the water when it swims.

In 1984, North Idaho College professor James McLeod concluded the sightings were most likely of a giant sturgeon, noting that it makes occasional visits to the lake and can appear prehistoric.

The Navy denied for many years that it had conducted experiments in the lake. Today it admits to using the deep end of the lake for submarine research. In addition, the International Submarine Engineering group of Canada admitted to testing on the lake.

Steve Crump is the Opinion editor.

T.F. Council draws new, old faces

By Jared S. Hopkins
Times-News writer

A Twin Falls Planning and Zoning commissioner filed for Twin Falls City Council and a former councilman said he plans to do so later this week.

Jim Schouten, a commissioner since Dec. 2008, will face Greg Lanting, who has filed for re-election, according to the city.

Chris Talkington, a former mayor, said Friday he plans to seek election, although he said he hasn't decided against whom. Mayor Lance Clow has filed and Don Hall also plans to do so.

Talkington said his main issues are reviewing the effectiveness of the Twin Falls Urban Renewal Agency, improving the quality of life and adding leadership to what he described as a complacent council.

"I'm an old dog that's



Talkington



Schouten

learned new tricks and some of the issues are the same," said Talkington, who served from 1994 to 2006 and 1976 to 1983, including a stint as mayor.

Talkington said he wants to see more companies locate to downtown in the same manner as St. Luke's Health System and Glanbia have announced, and wants to appraise the benefits and costs of the URA.

"We are not going to get anything more by hiring consultants behind closed doors," said Talkington, who said he is "two-thirds retired."

He also wants the city to make faster progress on the development of the Auger Falls Park in the Snake River Canyon. He wants to make a gang task force and criticized the city's police department for passing on a proposed merger from Twin Falls County to share offices for their investigations units — and added the council should've spoken up.

He said there needs to be more leadership on the council.

"I'm not supportive of the mayor speaking for the council," he said. "The council's been far too silent on too many issues."

Schouten said there's wasteful spending in the city and the URA could be reviewed. For example, he wonders why the city needs to have multiple employees under City Manager Tom Courtney while a replacement for Finance Director

Gary Evans, who retired last week, has yet to be found.

"I just hope I can be a voice for the city, and I'd like to get things going downtown and renew downtown," said Schouten, 46, who's lived in Twin Falls since 1986 and owns a construction company. "That'd be my main goal."

He said he's also unimpressed with how the City Council overturns what he said were too many decisions by the planning and zoning commission.

"I just haven't been impressed with Greg Lanting," he said. "He seems to be a 'yes' guy. He just really hasn't, as far as I'm concerned, done a whole lot since he's been in there."

When told Schouten's comments, Lanting said, "I'm a little disappointed in those comments, to be honest with you. I think I've pulled my weight!"

5TH DISTRICT COURT NEWS

Trevor Ranger, 18, Twin Falls; driving under the influence, fail to purchase driver's license, two counts of leaving the scene of a crash, Oct. 13 pretrial, \$2,500 bond, public defender appointed

Roy E. Duncan IV, 31, Twin Falls; driving under the influence, Sept. 4 preliminary hearing, \$20,000 bond, public defender appointed

Gerald Joseph Garcia Jr., 21, Twin Falls; burglary, \$10,000 bond, public defender appointed, Sept. 4 preliminary hearing

Angel Reyes, 25, Burley; driving under the influence, fail to purchase driver's license, \$5,000 bond, public defender appointed, Oct. 13 pretrial

Derrick Richard Lingnaw, 43, Filer; violation no-contact order, possession drug paraphernalia, Oct. 13 pretrial, \$5,000 bond, public defender appointed

Chad Bernard Tussey, 38, Twin Falls; two counts fail to register as sex offender, Sept. 11 preliminary hearing, public defender appointed, \$50,000 bond

Ralph William Sonneland Jr., 36 Filer; eluding an officer, Sept. 11 preliminary hearing, public defender appointed, \$20,000 bond

Jeremiah Gregory Eden, 26, Jerome; burglary, Sept. 11 preliminary hearing; public defender appointed; \$20,000 bond

Carma Laree Earl, 44, Challis; violation no-contact order, possession drug paraphernalia, recognizance release, Oct. 13 pretrial

Christopher G. Herrera, 22, Weatherford, Texas; three counts unlawful discharge of a firearm, unlawful possession of a firearm, public defender appointed, \$100,000 bond

Robert E. Allison, 27, Twin Falls; driving under the influence, Sept. 11 preliminary hearing, \$5,000 bond

Steven Ray Sheets Jr., 19, Twin Falls; burglary, Sept. 11 preliminary hearing, \$10,000 bond, public defender appointed

Ivan Dexter Baker, 21, Twin Falls; fail to purchase driver's license, fail to appear, Oct. 13 pretrial, public defender appointed, \$500 bond

Joseph Santos Ortiz, 26, Jerome; burglary, Sept. 11 preliminary hearing, \$2,500 bond, public defender appointed

David Lee Snyder, 38, Buhl; malicious injury to property, possession of controlled substance, \$500 bond, Oct. 13 pretrial, public defender appointed

Alisha N. Carpenter, 23, Buhl; two counts petit theft, two counts illegally obtaining lottery ticket by fraud, Sept. 11 preliminary hearing, \$5,000 bond

Wesley D. Smith, 36, Twin Falls; possession of controlled substance, \$5,000 bond

Steven G. Hine, 24, Twin Falls; driving under the influence, Sept. 11 preliminary hearing, \$5,000 bond, public defender appointed

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Drunken driver crashes into Twin Falls councilman's car

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A vehicle Sunday allegedly left the scene of a crash in the vicinity of Lowe's in Twin Falls, at 1350 Blue Lakes Blvd., and traveled to an area where it later crashed into a Twin Falls city councilman's vehicle near the intersection of El Monte Place and Granada Drive, police said.

Twin Falls Police Staff Sgt. Dan Lewin said Monday someone was arrested. But a police report hadn't been filed, so he couldn't provide the time of the incident, the name of the suspect arrested or the results of his breath test.

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man David E. Johnson said the crash occurred around 5 p.m. and he did not know the driver, whom he described as male, underage and driving a Mazda B2300 pickup.

Johnson said he was inside when he heard something that sounded like a gunshot. He said he went outside and saw the driver running away from the scene. Johnson said he later saw the person take a sobriety test, before being handcuffed and taken by police. There was also a passenger in the car.

"I was inside emptying my dishwasher. I heard a 'boom, boom,'" Johnson said when contacted Monday by the *Times-News*.

Johnson said the driver of the Mazda was being chased by a Ford truck that was apparently struck by the Mazda near Lowe's. He said his 1999 Chevrolet Suburban was parked on the street in front of his house.

He said he was waiting for a police report in order to contact his insurance.



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Horse advocates hear from officials on challenges facing rescue efforts

By Ariel Hansen
Times-News writer

HAILEY — It's been a frustrating few months for the members of Silent Voices Equine Rescue, a nonprofit group formed this spring to combat what they see as an increase in the cases of severe neglect and abuse of horses.

They've had some successes and rescued several animals, but other attempts to help have been met with indifference and inaction by both owners and responsible officials, they say.

On Thursday, the group invited many of those officials to a public meeting at the Community Campus in Hailey to hear from members and concerned citizens. Attendees included Blaine County Commissioner Larry Schoen, Idaho District 25 Rep. Wendy Jaquet, D-Ketchum, Idaho Department of Agriculture Deputy Attorney General Angela Kaufman and Idaho Department of Agriculture investigator Kelly Mortensen.

The meeting was intended to spur communication between Silent Voices and the agencies and individuals



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For information about Silent Voices Equine Rescue, or to volunteer or offer donations of money or horse feed to the organization: silentvoicesrescue.org or Doro Lohmann, 208-309-2933.

responsible for enforcing animal cruelty and neglect laws, said group founder Doro Lohmann. It worked

even before the meeting started, she said. On Wednesday, group members met with Schoen and Jaquet, as well as Blaine County Prosecutor Jim Thomas and Blaine County Deputy Sheriff Gene Ramsey.

"We've put enough pressure, enough heat on ... We have asked for a meeting since May, and nothing has happened until now," Lohmann said.

She said she's now confi-

dent, after both the private and public meeting, that the agencies can come together with the support of Silent Voices to change how laws are enforced, and possibly to change the laws themselves.

"I'll believe it when I see it, but I have hope," Lohmann said. "If everybody works together, and the goal is to put a damper on animal cruelty by enforcing the law, we'll have a good start."



At left, Idaho Rep. Wendy Jaquet, D-Ketchum, takes notes as Blaine County Commissioner Larry Schoen addresses a public meeting of Silent Voices Equine Rescue at the Community Campus in Hailey Thursday night. Also present were Idaho Department of Agriculture attorney Angela Kaufmann, center right, and Ag inspector Kelly Mortensen, far right, who have dealt with animal cruelty and neglect enforcement in Blaine County and Idaho.

A packed room at the Community Campus in Hailey on Thursday night watched a slide show of horses that were rescued by Silent Voices Equine Rescue, as well as some that are in danger or have died. The meeting was intended to spur on action by elected and law enforcement officials to reassess how animal cruelty and neglect laws are enforced in Blaine County and Idaho.

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ARIEL HANSEN/
Times-News

Among the ways discussed at the public meeting to achieve those goals included creating or agreeing upon common standards of what neglect and abuse look like, both environmental and in the physical condition of the animal.

Jaquet said she hopes the process for altering laws and enforcement in animal cruelty laws can follow the same alteration that domestic violence laws and enforcement

have undergone in recent decades.

"It will be difficult to make changes at the state level," she said, because of horses' status under Department of Agriculture regulations as production animals, similar to cattle. "The reality of the situation is we don't have the money. We need to figure out how to do it locally."

Schoen said that groups like Silent Voices are essential in finding the weak points of a system such as this that balances property rights with animal rights. To strengthen those weak points may involve sheriff's officer training about the law and how to assess a horse, formalizing practices and procedures between the county and the state as to when seizure may be warranted, and possible changes in the language of Blaine County's ordinances, he said.

The framework already in place needs concerned citizens, enforcers and elected officials to, he said, apologizing for the pun, "put meat on the bones — and muscle."

And that, literally and figuratively, is exactly what Silent Voices is hoping to help make happen.

Palin's father says daughter busy writing book

CALDWELL (AP) — The father of Sarah Palin, the former governor of Alaska and vice presidential nominee, says his daughter has been steering clear of the media spotlight in recent weeks to focus on writing her memoirs.

Chuck Heath, in Idaho campaigning for a Republican congressional candidate last week, says Palin has been away from her Alaska home for more than a month but is in touch frequently with him.

Heath said he gets e-mails from his daughter when she's looking for trivial details of her past, things like how many points she scored in a high school basketball game or the year the family attended the Boston Marathon.

"Sarah's been out of town for almost a month now," Heath told the *Spokesman-Review*. "I don't know exactly where she is, but she's writing her book. She e-mails me quite



AP photo

Alaska Gov. Sarah Palin waves to supporters after giving her resignation speech during a ceremony in Fairbanks, Alaska, where Palin turned over power to Lt. Gov. Sean Parnell on July 26.

frequently. She asks, 'Oh, what happened on June 13, 1978?' This is material for her book."

Palin, 45, who stepped down as governor on July 26 with more than a year left in her first term, does some global travel plans scheduled for September.

She is expected to visit

Hong Kong to address the CLSA Investors Forum, a well-known annual conference of global investment managers, the host announced Monday. Bill Clinton, Al Gore and Alan Greenspan have spoken at the event, hosted by brokerage and investment group CLSA Asia-

Pacific Markets.

The Sept. 23 address will mark Palin's first commercial speaking engagement, according to CLSA. Her speaking fees were not disclosed. It will be closed to the media, and the topic has not yet been confirmed.

Palin has made no public appearances since she resigned as governor but has voiced opinions on health care and other issues via social networking Web sites like Facebook.

Heath and Jim Palin, Sarah Palin's father-in-law, visited Idaho to stump for Republican congressional hopeful Vaughn Ward, an Iraq veteran they met when Ward served as Nevada director last year for the McCain-Palin campaign. Ward is seeking the GOP nomination and the chance to take on Democratic incumbent Walt Minnick in Idaho's 1st Congressional District.

Canyon County man shot, killed by officers

NAMPA (AP) — The Caldwell Police Department says 30-year-old Mario Armando Vasquez was the man fatally shot by police after a chase in Nampa on Sunday.

The Caldwell department is leading the Critical Incident Task Force investigation of the shooting.

An Idaho State Police trooper pulled over a vehicle on Interstate 84 early Sunday morning. Two females got out of the car and ran, according to a press release from the Caldwell Police Department, and the vehicle then drove away toward Nampa.

Two state troopers and two Nampa police officers gave chase, and the car stopped again near a strip mall.

That's when police say Vasquez got out and pointed a shotgun at the offi-

cers, and they began shooting, fatally wounding him.

"Who shot and how many times is still being investigated right now," Caldwell Capt. Frank Wyant said.

The officers involved are on paid administrative leave. Canyon County Coroner Vicki DeGeus-Morris said an autopsy was scheduled for Monday.

It's the second officer-involved shooting in Nampa in recent weeks.

Underwear

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collecting data in 2003.

But the men's underwear index may also have a silver lining. Mintel predicts that next year, men's underwear sales will fall by 0.5 percent, and as with many economic indicators, a slowing of a decline can be welcomed as a step in the right direction. Retailers are reporting encouraging signs in the men's underwear department. Sears spokeswoman Amy Dimond said stores are beginning to see more sales. At Target, spokeswoman Jana O'Leary said sales of men's underwear have been stronger over the past two months and multi-pair packs are moving.

No less an oracle than former Federal Reserve Chairman Alan Greenspan has given this theory credence, as described in a report on NPR two years ago. But you don't have to take his word for it. Just ask Kenneth Sanford, 59, of Capitol Heights, Md., about his underwear. He said he usually buys new boxers every three months or so in maroon, black or white. But he's having a hard time finding a new job, and he hasn't bought a new pair of underwear in at least eight months.

"It's been a while now," Sanford said. "I just don't ever go shopping."

Of course, there are more conventional indicators of the nation's economic health. The gross domestic product fell 1 percent during the second quarter. Consumer spending and confidence has been on a roller coaster this year. Home sales show some signs of bottoming out. But sometimes, it is the little things that can be the most telling.

Leonard Lauder, chairman of the cosmetics company Estee Lauder, famously looked to lipstick sales as a barometer of consumers' mind-set during the last downturn. He believed that women were looking for small indulgences to lift their spirits during a tough

economic time, though that theory has not held up in this recession, as sales of lipstick at mass retailers fell 8 percent over the past year, according to the research firm Information Resources.

Others look to a reported rise in prescriptions of antidepressants and sleep aids last year as a sign of consumers' fragile state.

But perhaps no other purchase is as intimate as underwear. Few, if any, other people see it, so it's an easy place to skimp. According to Mintel, men buy an average of 3.4 pairs of underwear in a year. But from 2004 to 2008, the proportion of men buying single pairs at a time increased

from 5 percent to 8 percent, while the share of men opting for packs of four or more fell slightly, to 66 percent — indicating that shoppers may be trying to save money by buying only when necessary.

Cohen, of NPD, said he hoped the recent positive signs in men's underwear will spill over into other need-based purchases. With the recession nearing two years, shoppers are at the stage where their stuff is simply beginning to wear out, providing an incentive to return to the stores.

"The consumer may be down, but they're not out," said Cohen, who is bullish on an economic recovery. "If this were a true, deep,

long, embedded recession, they wouldn't even be buying underwear."

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MEMORABLE MEMENTO



KAREN BOSSICK/ For the Times-News

Teri Niedrich's photograph features the tall, skinny ore wagons that ferried ore from mines near Clayton along a narrow, winding trail leading down from Trail Creek Summit north of Sun Valley. Niedrich's photograph was selected as the subject matter for this year's commemorative Wagon Days poster.

Longtime Wagon Days participant snaps this year's poster shot

By Karen Bossick
Times-News correspondent

KETCHUM — Wagon Days has always been big with Teri Niedrich.

If she's not riding in the Big Hitch parade or on the drill team, she's loading her kids — and now grandkids — up to see it.

But last year's Wagon Days in Hailey was special. Not only did the Labor Day celebration mark the 50th anniversary of the year the Big Hitch parade was started to honor Ketchum's heritage, but it marked the return of Wagon Days following its 2007 cancellation due to the Castle Rock Fire.

The fire threatened to destroy much of Ketchum and its surrounding neighborhoods.

In response, the Twin Falls native decided to "go wild" and photograph every aspect of the celebration she could think of.

She didn't just get dozens of pictures. She got the

photograph being used for this year's commemorative poster for the festival that runs Wednesday through Monday.

The colorful photograph features Ketchum's historic ore wagons, which used to haul freight along narrow, winding roads, pulled through the Horseman's Center with Bald Mountain in the background.

"I call it 'Echoes of the Past,'" said Niedrich, who now lives in Bellevue. "When it pulled right in front of Baldy, I said, 'Wow!' I felt like I had stepped back in the past to witness it the way it might have been before the streets were paved and all these modern-day buildings were built."

Wagon Days posters originated as a way to commemorate the event and raise funds for it, said Idaho Rep. Wendy Jaquet, R-Ketchum, who chaired the event for many years.

The posters have become

collector's items with some people collecting all 34.

This year's should be especially valuable among collectors because a smaller number of posters were printed to save money, said event coordinator Ellen Gillespie. Those who want one should probably pick up a poster before Labor Day weekend, as they may be sold out by then, she said.

Niedrich is a Web designer who recently became a full-time photographer at her Pure Vision Studio.

Photography is her niche in a creative family of chefs, musicians and artists, and it gives her the chance to travel, which she said she loves.

"I just got back from Canyon de Chelly (National Monument in Arizona) and what a glorious week of work. You get up in the morning, scope out where the sun's going to set. Then you spend the day taking photos," she said.

Niedrich took her winning photograph as jerk line

driver Bobby Tanner practiced having the mules step over the jerk line in the days leading up to last year's parade.

"He let me ride in the wagon and I couldn't believe how violent it gets in those wagons," she said. "You can get pretty beat up riding in those."

Niedrich plans to introduce Wagon Days to her 22-month-old grandson, Carpenter Black IV, of Bellevue, this year. But don't be surprised if she finds time for a few pictures.

"This area is my niche. There's no other place like it in the world," she said. "And when we have a festival we have a festival. When we have a parade, we have a parade. I want to always be inspired by what I photograph. And I can find that inspiration here any time."

Karen Bossick may be reached at kbossick@cox-internet.com.

WANT YOUR OWN?

The poster is on sale at the Ketchum Visitors Center on Sun Valley Road and East Avenue. Wagon Days T-shirts featuring the mules and wagon are also available for \$20 each. Posters are also available at Adrica Salon, 111 First Ave., Hailey. A display of Niedrich's work is on display there. Information about Niedrich's work: <http://purevisionary.typepad.com>.

CSI North Side offers new classes

Several new classes will soon be underway at the College of Southern Idaho North Side Center, 202 14th Ave. E., Gooding. Register for any at the office or call 208-934-8678.

Digital Scrapbooks covers how to quickly assemble a keepsake book on your computer using templates and image editing tools to enhance a finished scrapbook project that can be easily duplicated. Participants need to bring a CD of their own photos to class, which meets from 7 to 8:30 p.m. Sept. 16 at the North Side Center. Fee is \$18.

Star Quilt will teach students to create an 80-inch square quilt. Instructor Pat Eisinger will teach the project to all level of quilters from 7 to 9 p.m. Tuesdays, Sept. 15 to Oct. 20 at the North Side Center. Participants can also bring their own projects to work on. Fee is \$35 plus supplies.

Handgun Safety instructed by Gooding County Sheriff's Sgt. Dave Kiger, will cover gun laws and safety issues in three sessions. Class is from 7 to 9 p.m. Sept. 15 and 17, with range practice from 8 a.m.

to noon Sept. 19. Fee is \$60, and participants need to furnish their own gun in compliance with concealed weapon laws, along with ammunition, safety glasses and ear protection. Participants must be 21 or older, and will receive a certificate of completion and all forms necessary to apply for a concealed weapons permit at the sheriff's office.

Healthy Aspects of Aging focuses on characteristics of normal, healthy aging. Instructor Fran Golding will cover age-associated diseases, common health tests and routine screenings. Class meets from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m., Sept. 15 and 17 at the Hagerman High School library. Fee is \$30.

Introduction to GPS covers how to use global positioning systems to calculate position, useful in geocaching and other outdoor activities. Instructor George Yerion will explain GPS terminology, operation and applications, along with which GPS device is right for you. Fee is \$30, and participants are encouraged to bring their own GPS devices, if they have them.

5TH DISTRICT COURT NEWS

LINCOLN COUNTY ARRAIGNMENTS

Delwin C. Amy, 53, Richfield, two counts fraud, insufficient funds check; no hearing scheduled.
Joanne Maxfield, age not stated, Shoshone, two counts fraud, insufficient funds check; no hearing scheduled.
Edgar Ruiz Cardenas, 31, Shoshone, careless/inattentive driving; no hearing scheduled.
Adan Ruiz, 28, Shoshone, careless/inattentive driving; no hearing scheduled.
Jaime Salinas-Ceja, 35, Dietrich, driving without privileges; fail to provide proof of insurance; no hearing scheduled.
Jose J. Silva Jr., 17, Shoshone, driving without privileges; failed to appear; bench bond issued.
Mona Michelle Stein, 38, Shoshone, battery; no hearing scheduled.
Jason Winn, 23, Paul, driving without privileges; failed to appear; bench bond issued.

MISDEMEANOR SENTENCINGS

Stephanie Castro, 18, Shoshone; fail to purchase/invalid driver's

license, pleaded guilty, \$179 fine; fail to provide proof of insurance; \$75.50 fine; 180 days jail, 178 suspended, 1 credited.
Taylor Anderson, 18, Shoshone; inattentive/careless driving, 12-month deferred prosecution, \$12 fine, community service.

MISDEMEANOR DISMISSALS

Ronald M. Jones, 46, Shoshone; fail to provide proof of insurance; dismissed on motion of prosecutor.
Jose Quinonez Rayos, 27, Hailey; fail to purchase/invalid driver's license, consume/possess open container, dismissed on motion of prosecutor.
Yuri Salazar, 29, Dietrich; fail to provide proof of insurance; dismissed on motion of prosecutor.
Eduardo Vargas, 20, Twin Falls; inattentive/careless driving, dismissed on motion of prosecutor.

DRIVING UNDER THE INFLUENCE SENTENCING

Jose Quinonez Rayos, 27, Hailey; driving under the influence, guilty, withheld disposition until Oct. 29, \$90.50 fine.

Weight loss tied to Parkinson's disease medication

DEAR DR. GOTT: I'm a 79-year-old female and have always enjoyed good health. About a year ago, I was diagnosed with early signs of Parkinson's disease. My handwriting has become poor. My symptoms have not worsened, but in January of this year, I decided to try Sinemet prescribed by my doctor. It has helped my handwriting; however, I have lost my sense of smell and taste. It was subtle at first, but now I taste and smell nothing. I have lost 12 pounds because eating is not a pleasant experience for me anymore.

My neurologist said I lost my smell and taste due to the Parkinson's medication. My general practi-

ASK DR. GOTT
Dr. Peter Gott



tioner had never heard of that with other Parkinson's patients he sees. A friend with the condition doesn't have the problem.

I also suffer from Restless Legs Syndrome most nights. Is there help that wouldn't involve more pills? I exercise three times a week at a fitness center for about an hour each day, but need help.

DEAR READER: Parkinson's disease is a progressive neurological disorder that carries a host of symptoms, including

cramped handwriting, tremor, gait abnormalities, loss of appetite and taste, and worsening of involuntary movements. Your neurologist is right on the money when he attributes your weight loss and lack of interest in food to the medication. In defense of your general practitioner, however, each individual may react differently and as a result, his or her symptoms will vary.

A loss or diminished sense of smell linked to the medication is quite common. When you can't smell the delicious aroma of food, it is usually followed by little interest in eating. This is likely the cause of your weight loss. I can only recommend you

make your food "presentations" attractive by adding a dash of color. Perhaps steamed broccoli with julienne carrot sticks can be arranged alongside a salmon steak or boneless chicken breast. Or add a couple of strawberry or kiwi slices to a bed of lettuce. This might just be appealing enough to stimulate your appetite.

Restless Legs Syndrome (RLS) is a ghastly affliction of unknown cause. It has several criteria to be appropriately labeled. There is compulsion to move the legs while at rest. That need is often accompanied by unpleasant sensations of burning, prickling and crawling. Symptoms become worse or present

when the patient is at rest, lying down or has been sitting for a prolonged period. Symptoms can be relieved by activities such as walking, stretching and massage. Sensations often exacerbate in the evening.

If this describes your RLS, you should locate a local physician who specializes in the disorder and can get you on the right track. If it doesn't, you might be suffering from a worsening of involuntary movements from the Sinemet. If you are opposed to taking additional medication, perhaps the doctor can recommend acupuncture, reflexology, yoga or nutritional supplements.

Speak with your physi-

cian about your prescription to determine if you are being helped or hindered. While your handwriting might not be as cramped as it was, you certainly appear to have picked up a number of the unpleasant side effects the drug carries.

To provide related information, I am sending you a copy of my Health Report "Parkinson's Disease." Other readers who would like a copy should send a self-addressed stamped No. 10 envelope and \$2 to Newsletter, P.O. Box 167, Wickliffe, OH 44092. Be sure to mention the title.

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

Wildfire makes menacing advance near LA

By John Antczak
Associated Press writer

LOS ANGELES — A deadly wildfire that has blackened a wide swath of tinder-dry forest around Los Angeles made another menacing advance Monday, surging toward thousands of suburban homes and a vital mountaintop broadcasting complex while trapping five people inside a smoky canyon.

Fire crews battling the blaze in the Angeles National Forest tried desperately to beat back the flames and prayed for weather conditions to ease. The fire was the largest of at least eight burning across California after days of triple-digit temperatures and low humidity.

The flames scorched 164 square miles of brush and threatened more than 12,000 homes, but the lack of wind kept them from driving explosively into the hearts of the dense suburbs northeast of Los Angeles.

"It's burning everywhere," U.S. Forest Service spokeswoman Dianne Cahir said. "When it gets into canyons that haven't burned in numerous years, it takes off. If you have any insight into the good Lord upstairs, put in a request."

Five people who refused to evacuate threatened areas reported they were trapped at a ranch near Gold Creek, Los Angeles County sheriff's spokesman Steve Whitmore said. A sheriff's helicopter was unable to immediately reach them because of intense fire activity, Whitmore said, but would try after the flames passed.



An aerial view of the wildfires burning in the Mount Wilson area of Los Angeles, on Monday.

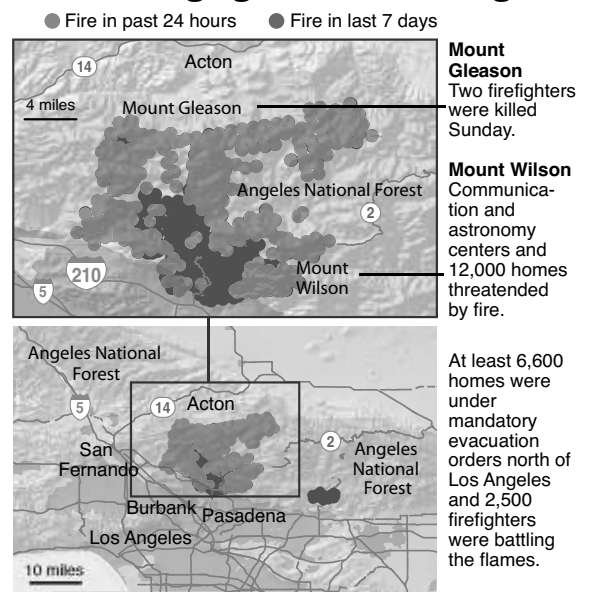
"What this says is, 'Listen, listen, listen,'" Whitmore said. "Those people were told to get out two days ago, and now we are putting our people in danger to get them out."

Over the weekend, three people who refused to evacuate were burned when they were overrun by flames, including a couple who had sought refuge in a hot tub, authorities said.

Columns of smoke billowed high into the air before dispersing into a gauzy white haze that burned eyes and prompted warnings of unhealthy air throughout the Los Angeles area.

Fire crews set backfires and sprayed fire retardant at Mount Wilson, home to at least 20 television transmission towers, radio and cell phone antennas, and the century-old Mount Wilson Observatory. The observatory also houses two giant tel-

Wildfires raging north of Los Angeles



SOURCES: USDA Forest Service; Fire Information and Resource Management System

escopes and several multi-million-dollar university programs. It is both a landmark for its historic discov-

eries and a thriving modern center for astronomy.

The fire about a half-mile away was expected to reach

the mountaintop sometime Monday night, said Los Angeles County fire Capt. Mark Whaling. If the flames hit the mountain, cell phone service and TV and radio transmissions would be disrupted, but the extent was unclear.

The blaze killed two firefighters, destroyed at least 21 homes and forced thousands of evacuations. The firefighters died when their truck drove off the side of a road with flames all around them.

People who fled returned to find their homes gone.

"It's the worst roller coaster of my life, and I hate roller coasters," said Adi Ellad, who lost his home in Big Tujunga Canyon over the weekend. "One second I'm crying, one second I'm guilty, the next moment I'm angry, and then I just want to drink tequila and forget."

Ellad left behind a family heirloom Persian rug and a photo album he put together after his father died. "I'm going to have to figure out a new philosophy: how to live without loving stuff," he said.

The blaze in the Los Angeles foothills is the biggest but not most destructive of California's wildfires. Northeast of Sacramento, a wind-driven fire destroyed 60 structures over the weekend, many of them homes in the town of Auburn.

The 275-acre blaze was 50 percent contained Monday afternoon and full containment was expected today. It wiped out an entire cul-de-sac, leaving only smoldering ruins, a handful of chimneys and burned cars.

Tainted cocaine kills 3, sickens dozens

By Jon Gambrell
Associated Press writer

LITTLE ROCK, Ark. — Nearly a third of all cocaine seized in the United States is laced with a dangerous veterinary medicine — a livestock de-worming drug that might enhance cocaine's effects but has been blamed in at least three deaths and scores of serious illnesses.

The medication called levamisole has killed at least three people in the U.S. and Canada and sickened more than 100 others. It can be used in humans to treat colorectal cancer, but it severely weakens the body's immune system, leaving patients vulnerable to fatal infections.

Scientific studies suggest levamisole might give cocaine a more intense high, possibly by increasing levels of dopamine, the brain's "feel-good" neurotransmitters.

Drug Enforcement Administration documents reviewed by The Associated Press indicate that 30 percent of all U.S. cocaine seizures are tainted with the drug. And health officials told the AP that most physicians know virtually nothing about its risks.

"I would think it would be fair to say the vast majority of doctors in the United States have no idea this is going on," said Eric Lavonas, assistant director of the Rocky Mountain Poison and Drug Center in Denver, where as much as half of the cocaine is believed to contain levamisole. "You can't diagnose a disease you've never heard of."

Authorities believe cocaine manufacturers are adding the levamisole in Colombia, before the cocaine is smuggled into the U.S. and Canada to be sold as white powder or crack.

Three men returned to U.S. to face sex tourism charges

By Amy Taxin
Associated Press writer

LOS ANGELES — Three men expelled from Cambodia are facing charges in the U.S. as part of a crackdown on Americans who travel overseas to have sex with children, authorities said Monday.

The three previously convicted sex offenders were the first to be charged under "Operation Twisted Traveler," an initiative targeting problems in Cambodia, which authorities described as ground zero for the crimes.

"Let their arrests serve as notice to any other person who might be tempted to evade justice by victimizing children outside of this country," said John Morton, head of Immigration and Customs Enforcement.

"Boarding a plane to a foreign land is no protection." Ronald Boyajian, Erik Peeters and Jack Sporich were expected to arrive in Los Angeles later Monday escorted by U.S. authorities after being arrested in February by Cambodian police.

The three suspects were named in separate criminal complaints filed in April and May related to child sexual exploitation. They are

expected to appear in court Tuesday. It was not immediately clear if the men have lawyers in the U.S.

ICE has stationed an agent in Cambodia full-time for at least a year to focus in large part on such cases.

Boyajian, 49, of Menlo Park, is accused of traveling to Cambodia in September 2008 and paying a 10-year-old Vietnamese girl to perform sex acts.

Peeters, 41, of Norwalk, engaged in sex acts with at least three Cambodian boys, authorities said. He gave their parents money and rice, and paid two of the boys between \$5 and \$10, the criminal complaint said.

Sporich, 75, of Sedona, Ariz., sexually abused at least one Cambodian boy, authorities said. Witnesses claim Sporich drove his motor bike through the streets of Siem Riep, dropping Cambodian currency to attract children.

Several boys stayed at the home, which had a swimming pool, water slide, video games, toys and clothing, authorities said.

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Texas boaters fought heat, hunger for week in Gulf

BLESSING, Texas (AP) — Three Texas fishermen who spent eight days stranded in the Gulf of Mexico atop their capsized boat endured hunger, blistering heat, scares from sharks and hallucinations, but they never gave up hope they'd be rescued.

"It was on a day-to-day basis that everybody had their breakdown," Tressel Hawkins told NBC's "Today Show" Monday. "The power of prayer had us feeling safe as far as knowing that we were going to make it out of it, but didn't know how long that we were going to have to endure this."

The men were reunited with their families early Sunday after they were found sitting on their 23-foot catamaran 180 miles from land. They were identified as Hawkins, 43, of Markham; James Phillips, 30, of Blessing; and Curtis Hall, 28, of Palacios.

"I knew we were coming home; I never had a doubt,"

Phillips, the boat owner, told the Houston Chronicle.

The crew of a sport fishing boat spotted the men waving their white T-shirts near Port Aransas and rescued them Saturday. The three were reported missing Aug. 22 after they left Matagorda, about 90 miles southwest of Houston, on a fishing trip and never returned. Port Aransas is about 130 miles from Matagorda.

The three were asleep that Friday night and were awakened by water coming in the boat, Hawkins said.

"Once we were awake and saw what happened, it flipped over in one minute," Phillips told the Chronicle. "Then us country boys went into survival mode. That's all we could do."

The men rationed their salvaged bubble gum, crackers, beer and chips, and used a hose to suck fresh water out of the internal "washdown" tank. Fishermen often keep such a tank to wash fish slime off their boat when they are out in the salt water.



JAMES NIELSEN/Houston Chronicle
Curt Hall, one of three fishermen who were rescued after eight days adrift in the Gulf of Mexico, looks over his injuries Sunday in Blessing, Texas.

"We'd eat crackers one day, and then a handful of chips," Phillips said. "Everything tasted like gasoline and saltwater."

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Daniel Reese Edler

CONNELL, Wash. — Daniel Reese Edler was born May 31, 2006, to David Reese and Crystal Dawn Deitrick Edler of Connell, Wash. His three older sisters, Elizabeth Michelle, VeRena Jean and Christa LeAnn, were thrilled to welcome little Dan-Dan and were later joined by baby Emily Olivia. Daniel's father is the only brother of four sisters and he couldn't stop smiling the day Daniel was born. Mama couldn't stop smiling either especially when she saw how happy Dan-Dan made Daddy. Family and friends asked if the doctor had made a mistake since Edlers don't have boys, but gladly shared in their joy.

Daniel started out as his Mama's boy and was not very interested in leaving her side. But soon he was "driving" and taking many naps on "his" John Deere tractor and combine or whatever other piece of equipment Daddy liked to ride. He wanted to be just like his Dad and to be about his father's business of farming. He would cry when Daddy would leave him at home or when it was time to get off the John Deere. He loves animals, especially his dog, Duchess, and his moo-cows.

Daniel liked to play with his family too. In the winter, they snowmobiled in the mountains and in the summer, they played together at Silverwood theme park. His family enjoyed many trips to Baker City, Ore., to the train station and riding the train to Sumpter, Ore., with Grandpa and Grandpa Deitrick. Grandpa Deitrick's love of trains inspired Daniel's love of Thomas the Train.

Daniel's happy playful personality included loads of smiles and laughter. He loved to tease everyone. We can still hear his contagious laugh, see his constant smile and the blur from his happy bouncing run.

Dan-Dan's sisters nurtured his feminine side and he loved to play dress-up with them. Daniel regularly insisted his Mama paint his toenails and fingernails in the same color his sisters selected, not the clear color she lovingly recommended.



Occasionally, he could be found fighting with his sister, 14-month-old and "best buddy" Christa, over who got to wear the purple princess shoes.

Daniel left his home on earth Saturday, August 29, 2009, to return home to his Father in Heaven. With faith in our Heavenly Father's plan for Daniel and our family, we willingly place our son in the loving arms of his Heavenly Father. We know that He will continue to care for Daniel and sustain our family with His limitless love and mercy until we are reunited at our Lord and Savior's second coming. We love Him, and we love him. Until we meet again at Jesus feet, Heavenly Father's loving arms will encircle all of His children both on earth and in heaven.

Daniel is survived by his Dad and Mom; four sisters; paternal grandparents, David Lowell and Maggie Jill (Moon) Edler of Connell, Wash.; maternal grandparents, Gary Gene and Bonnie Jean (Nash) Deitrick of Jerome; great-grandparents, Philip and Marjorie Ellen (Moon) Krigbaum of Connell, Wash., and Linda Lou Howell Deitrick of Filer. Many uncles, aunts, cousins, cherished friends and his dog, Duchess, will deeply miss him.

A viewing will be held from 6 to 8 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 2, at Mueller's Greenlee Funeral Home of Pasco, Wash. The funeral will be at 11 a.m. Thursday, Sept. 3, at The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 350 E. Fulton St. in Connell, Wash. A viewing will precede the service beginning at 10 a.m. and a graveside burial will follow the service at Mountain View Cemetery in Connell, Wash.

Everyone of any faith or denomination is wholeheartedly invited to attend the service. No specific dress code is required; many will wear slacks with dress shirts, dresses or skirts. The family invites you to sign their online guestbook at www.muellersfuneral-homes.com.

Mueller's Greenlee Funeral Home in Pasco, Wash., is in charge of the arrangements.

SERVICES

Frank Elmer Wells of Castleford, memorial service 10 at today at the Castleford First Baptist Church; interment at 3 p.m. today at Sunset Memorial Park in Twin Falls (White Mortuary in Twin Falls).

Clifford L. Hallstead of Twin Falls, memorial service at 3 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 2,

at the American Legion Club in Manhattan, Mont. (Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home of Twin Falls).

Verna Lucy Reddington Olson, funeral at 10 a.m. Saturday at the Clifton LDS 2nd Ward Chapel in Clifton; visitation from 9 to 9:45 a.m. Saturday at the church (Webb Mortuary in Preston.)

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Helen Marie Matney

A beloved wife, mother and grama, Helen Marie Matney, 72, was born April 27, 1937, and passed away Sunday, Aug. 23, 2009.

She was a passionate woman that lived the life she loved with her "man" Bill as Mr. and Mrs. Bill Matney for 53 years. They were sweethearts and one from the young age of 16! They married July 14, 1956. Helen and Bill moved to Japan, where he served in the Air Force and began a life that most of us could only dream of. After entering back into civilian life, they farmed on the Salmon Tract for many wonderful years. She and her man were blessed to travel for years on the off season. They then moved to be in the big city of Twin Falls and then moved to Meridian, where she became a maniac golfer. She loved to golf and shared often memories that she was making all over with friends. A domestic goddess she was! She loved adventure; skydiving for her 60th birthday and loving every minute of it.

After many years of wintering in Arizona, they decided to buy a house in Queen Valley, Ariz. That home is on a beautiful golf course where she could wake up every day and see an amazing scene that only Mother Nature could provide. She was fortunate to end her journey here by the window watching golfers and the hummingbirds that greeted her every day in mass numbers. She was



most happy that her family was with her.

Helen fought a battle with cancer which ended up winning. She was full of courage, bravery, grace and humor! She did it like the lady she was! She is deeply loved and she will be deeply missed. Her life was very full! She attended schools in Berger and Hollister and graduated from Filer High School. She was involved with many organizations through her life. She was a member of Idaho Golf Association, Idaho Couples, a Golden Star member of the Order of Eastern Star and Rainbow Girls. She also volunteered with Easter Seal.

She is survived by her husband Bill J. Matney of Twin Falls and Queen Valley, Ariz.; daughter, Joni and son-in-law, Ron Pursell of Meridian; son, Randy and daughter-in-law, Debbie Matney-Edgewood of Washington; grandchildren, Shea Reynolds of Meridian; Chase Shields of Scottsdale, Ariz.; Lance Kassie Matney of Buckley, Wash.; Brandon Matney of Edgewood, Wash.; and great-grandchildren, Tegan Reynolds and Langlei Reynolds of Meridian. She was preceded in death by her father and mother, George and Flossie McGregor; and her sister, Norma Miller.

A celebration will be held from 5 to 8 p.m. Friday, Sept. 4, at the Turf Club, 734 Falls Ave. in Twin Falls. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to Banner Hospice, 1325 N. Fiesta Blvd., Suite 1, Gilbert, AZ 85233.

DEATH NOTICES

Dorothy M. Smith

Dorothy M. Smith, 85, of Twin Falls, died Monday, Aug. 31, 2009, at her home.

A graveside service will be held at 10 a.m. Thursday, Sept. 3, at Sunset Memorial Park in Twin Falls; visitation from 6 to 8 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 2, at Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Road in Twin Falls.

Curtis L. Wilkins

Curtis "Curt" L. Wilkins, 78, of Twin Falls, died Saturday, Aug. 29, 2009, at Saint Alphonsus Regional Medical Center in Boise.

A celebration of life graveside service will be held at 2 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 3, at Sunset Memorial Park in Twin Falls; visitation from 6 to 8 p.m. Wednesday at Reynolds Funeral Chapel, 2466 Addison Ave. E. in Twin Falls.

Jewell A. Von Ins

Jewell A. Von Ins, 94, of Boise and formerly of Twin Falls, died Sunday, Aug. 30, 2009, at a Boise Care facility.

The funeral will be held at 2 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 3, Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Road

in Twin Falls; visitation from 5 to 7 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 2, at the funeral home.

Edwin Lee Kimbal Jr.

Edwin Lee Kimbal Jr., 48, of Twin Falls, died Saturday, Aug. 29, 2009, at St. Luke's Magic Valley Regional Medical Center in Twin Falls.

A memorial service will be held at 1 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 5, at the Lighthouse Christian Fellowship, 960 Eastland Drive in Twin Falls (Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home of Twin Falls).

Jeannie Terry

Jeannie Terry, 49, of Twin Falls, died Saturday, Aug. 29, 2009, at home.

Arrangements will be announced by Serenity Funeral Chapel in Twin Falls and Holbrook Mortuary in Salt Lake City, Utah.

Ernest W. Perkins

BURLEY — Ernest William Perkins, 66, of Burley, died Sunday, Aug. 30, 2009, at Cassia Regional Medical Center.

Arrangements will be announced by Rasmussen Funeral Home of Burley.

Hurricane Jimena gets stronger, heads for Mexico's Los Cabos

By Mark Stevenson
Associated Press writer

LOS CABOS, Mexico — Extremely dangerous Hurricane Jimena roared toward Mexico's resort-studded Baja California Peninsula on Monday, prompting emergency workers to set up makeshift shelters and chasing away an international finance conference.

Jimena is just short of Category 5 status — the top danger rating for a hurricane — and could rake the harsh desert region fringed with picturesque beaches and fishing villages as a major storm by Tuesday evening, forecasters said. Heavy bands of intermittent rain moved across the resort town of Los Cabos on Monday evening.

Workers at the Cabo San Lucas marina nailed sheets of plywood on storefront windows while fishermen secured their boats ahead of Jimena, which was packing winds near 155 mph. Hotels and restaurants gathered up umbrellas, tables, chairs, and anything else that might be blown away.

At least 10,000 families were ordered to evacuate their homes in low-lying areas and shantytowns, said Apolinar Ledezma, the municipal public safety director.

The government said it would send out 200 military personnel and dozens of police in trucks to help people reach dozens of shelters. Authorities warned that those who refuse to evacuate would be forced to do so.

"We are going to start by inviting people to leave ... the moment will come when we will have to make it obligatory," said Garibaldo Romero, interior secretary for the municipal government.

After official hurricane warnings were broadcast, organizers of an international financial meeting scheduled for Cabo San Lucas this week decided to move their conference — including more than 170 representatives from 54 countries — to Mexico City.

"The meeting has been planned for two months and the meteorological conditions, by their very nature, are unpredictable," said Anthony Gooch, spokesman for the Global Forum on Transparency and Exchange of Information, sponsored by the Paris-based Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development.

Brenda Munoz, who lost her home to a 2001 hurricane, was taking no chances.

"I remember when Hurricane Juliette hit with a lot of intensity. It flattened our home," Munoz said.



AP photo

Tourists look out at the sea where a red flag waves as a warning for rough seas as Hurricane Jimena approaches in Cabo San Lucas in Mexico's Baja California, Monday.



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Obama keeps Bush nominees in top posts

By Tom Rasm
Associated Press writer

WASHINGTON — For all the GOP howling about Barack Obama radically steering the government to the left and leading the nation toward socialism, some of his major appointments are Republican men and women of the middle.

In what may be the top two national posts in light of today's crises at home and abroad, Obama stuck with the picks of former President George W. Bush in reappointing Fed chief Ben Bernanke and Defense Secretary Robert Gates.

Bernanke last week was given another four-year term to preside over nothing less than saving the U.S. economy. He was appointed by Bush in 2006 after a short stint as chairman of Bush's Council of Economic Advisers. Gates was kept in his Pentagon post to wind down the war in Iraq and build up the one in Afghanistan.

Analysis

The loss of Sen. Ted Kennedy to brain cancer led to a chorus of laments about the dearth of politicians these days able to reach across party lines. While Obama hasn't had much luck with the highly polarized Congress in building bipartisan support on legislation, he's reached out often to Republicans in filling key jobs.

The notion that he's moving the government to the left "is laughable, it's utterly laughable," said Thomas E. Mann, a government scholar at the Brookings Institution. Mann said the decision to keep Bernanke and Gates "doesn't buy him a thing with Republicans but was a sign of good judgment in both cases" because Bernanke and Gates were doing good jobs.

Obama's larger problem is that he still does not have his own people in a majority of the government's top policymaking positions requiring Senate

confirmation. But those he has put in top positions include a number of Republicans or nontraditional Democrats.

Along with Gates and Bernanke, they include:

- Sheila Bair as holdover chairman of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. She has played a major role in the management of the financial crisis. A one-time unsuccessful candidate for a Kansas House seat, Bair was first appointed by Bush in June 2006. Forbes Magazine ranks her as the second most powerful woman in the world behind German chancellor Angela Merkel.

- Ray LaHood, a former congressman from Illinois, as transportation secretary. He was elected as part of the "Gingrich Revolution" of 1994 and was so trusted by both Republicans and Democrats that he was selected to preside over the House during the impeachment vote against President Bill Clinton.
- Former Rep. John

McHugh from upstate New York, as Army secretary. McHugh was known by his House colleagues for an even temperament and willingness to work with Democrats.

- Former Utah Gov. Jon Huntsman, who was a Mormon missionary in China in his youth, as ambassador to China.

- Francis Collins, an evangelical Christian, as director of the National Institutes of Health.

Unlike the others on the list, Collins is not a Republican and worked in the Obama presidential campaign. But he doesn't fit the usual mold of liberal Democrat as portrayed by many Republicans.

Collins discussed his religious views in a 2006 book. Although some questions have been raised about whether he could keep his religious views separate from his work, the physician-geneticist is well respected in his field for landmark discoveries of disease genes and as head of the Human Genome Project.

OPINION

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“The easiest thing to move is the troops. You put them on a plane and ship them out. The heavy stuff is going to be the hard stuff.”
 — **Tim Brown, an intelligence and military analyst at GlobalSecurity.org in a statement as the U.S. military continues packing up to leave Iraq**

EDITORIAL

Consolidating school districts? Time for the Legislature to get tough

There are 114 school districts in Idaho. They get the lion's share of \$1.2 billion in state support for public schools. But because of the recession, that appropriation isn't what it used to be. And for the 2010-11 school year, it will be even less.

For years, educators and public officials have begged, pleaded and cajoled local school districts to consolidate with each other — or at least share services — to save money. By and large, they've flat-out refused.

So maybe it's time the Legislature stopped asking nicely. As an alternative to gutting the education, corrections and the Idaho Department of Health and Welfare budgets again — and perhaps eliminating entire state agencies altogether — maybe Idaho should begin sending one lump sum of public school appropriations to each of the 44 counties, based on enrollment.

“This is the amount of money you have to spend,” lawmakers would be saying in effect. “You can spend it on educating kids or you can squander it on duplicative personnel, purchasing, food service and administration operations.”

It's an idea that's gaining some traction. Under one plan, each of the 44 Idaho counties would get a single district plus another district for each 10,000 additional students. That would leave Twin Falls County, which last year enrolled 12,335 students, two districts — divided any way the county's patrons chose.

Each of the other seven south-central Idaho counties would have one district each. In addition to Twin Falls, the only multi-district counties would be Ada (four), Canyon (four), Bannock (two), Bonneville (two) and Kootenai (three). Total: 55 school districts, statewide.

Think that wouldn't save some serious money? Then start with the fact that the average school district superintendent in Idaho earns more than \$80,000 a year.

And if Idaho districts aren't running 114 separate payroll departments, for example, doesn't it stand to reason there would be more resources to pay teachers better? Likewise, if the dozens of school district who run their own transportation programs can share new, \$80,000-a-copy school buses, doesn't it stand to reason those savings could be used for other purposes?

Idaho's education structure was dreamed up by the best minds of the 1890s. But it's too rich for our blood anymore.

Our view:

Idaho has more than twice the school districts it needs. Let's trim the list, starting now.

What do you think?

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

The road to perdition

WASHINGTON — The problem of the burgeoning government debt is mainly political, but the adverse consequences may be economic. The trouble is that we don't know what those consequences may be, when they may occur, or even whether they will occur. Without some impending calamity, politicians of both parties recoil from doing anything unpopular that might bring the budget into balance over, say, the next six or seven years. The idea of anticipating and preempting future problems is not on their agenda.



Robert Samuelson

Although the recent surge of budget deficits — the annual gaps between outlays and revenues, resulting in more federal debt — reflects the savage recession, the true cause is political. Deficits allow liberals and conservatives to maintain self-serving public positions. Liberals claim we can have more government (more health care, more education, more transportation) without taxing anyone but “the rich.” Conservatives promise that taxes can be cut without depriving anyone (retirees, veterans, cities and states) of existing government benefits.

Neither claim is remotely believable under the assumption that, over the long run, government benefits and programs ought to be paid with taxes.

The truth is that government, again under both parties, has promised far more in benefits than can be covered by existing taxes. Only borrowing could reconcile the rhetorical claims with underlying economic realities.

There have been 43 deficits in the past 48 years. Until recently, the borrowings, though usually undesirable, were not alarming. But the recession and an aging population signify that we have crossed a threshold where actual and prospective borrowings are so huge that no one can



“The truth is that government, again under both parties, has promised far more in benefits than can be covered by existing taxes. Only borrowing could reconcile the rhetorical claims with underlying economic realities.”

foresee the consequences. The best measure of debt burden is its relation to the nation's annual income, or gross domestic product.

The same approach applied to a household with \$25,000 of debt and \$50,000 of income would produce a debt-to-income ratio of 50 percent.

In 1946, after World War II, the ratio of publicly held federal debt to GDP was 108.6 percent. Since then, the economy (our income) has generally grown faster than the debt. In 1974, the debt-to-GDP ratio reached a post-World War II low of 23.9 percent, and even in 2007, it was only 36.9 percent. That was manageable.

By contrast, today's prospective colossal borrowings dwarf likely economic growth. The Obama administration's latest projections, released last week, show nearly \$11 trillion of borrowing from 2009 to 2019. In 2019, the debt-to-GDP ratio would be 76.5 percent. This could be too optimistic, because it assumes some spending restraint and tax increases. A projection by the Concord Coalition, a watchdog group, adds about \$5 trillion in borrowing in that period. In 2019, the debt-to-GDP ratio could be roughly 100 percent.

Because such borrowings would be unprecedented in peacetime, they might go badly. It's easy to imagine problems. Some might become full-blown crises. It might be impossible to refinance maturing federal debt (average maturity: 51 months) except at much higher interest rates. The Federal Reserve might be pressured to inflate away the debt by buying boatloads of Treasury bonds; high inflation would be ruinous, as it was in the 1970s.

The mere fear of uncontrolled deficits might trigger a flight away from the dollar on stock, bond and foreign exchange markets.

But none of these calamities has yet occurred. Precisely the opposite.

Low interest rates on 10-year Treasury bonds, about 3.5 percent, suggest ample investors. Though huge deficits pose long-term hazards, cutting them sharply now might threaten economic recovery. Any action — spending cuts or tax increases — ought to be prospective. Facing few insistent pressures to confront deficits, politicians don't.

What unites Democrats and Republicans is an unwillingness to have a serious debate about how big government should be.

Spending is the crucial issue, because it determines taxes and deficits. If they become too large, the resulting depressed economy may make paying for government even harder.

Ideally, liberals would see that spending needs to be cut substantially; if it isn't, tomorrow's tax increases or deficits will be horrendous. Ideally, conservatives would accept that taxes must ultimately rise; no plausible spending cuts can bridge the gap between government's promises and its tax base.

There is no sign of this. Liberals and conservatives agree to evade.

Spending for the elderly dominates the federal budget, but no one discusses who among retirees deserves government subsidies and at what age. Liberals would increase spending (aka, President Obama's health proposal) even before addressing existing deficits. President Bush and congressional Republicans could have curbed spending. But they increased it even while cutting taxes, and Obama would keep most tax cuts except for people making over \$250,000.

Placid deficits have abetted all these evasions and inconsistencies.

As the path of least resistance, they encouraged permissiveness. But with deficits swelling, this easy road may soon close. We may learn how much debt is too much.

Newsweek columnist Robert Samuelson writes about economics.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

CSI student walker thankful for ride offers

Thanks to friendliness at CSI!

Today (Aug. 25) was the first day of school and my last walking day at CSI. As I walked home, a young man stopped his car and asked if I needed a ride. But no, I walk because I like it.

I just wanted to thank that man for stopping and checking and I'll also thank the others that have done the same thing during this spring and summer. Also thanks to you folks up at CSI that waved at me from your cars during my walking time there.

I don't know your faces, only one girl because her car window was rolled down. You became “the waving hands” because I couldn't see your faces!

Thanks again for all your

friendliness. And not to forget all you friendly walking people. I am not used to this from the country I came from.

I remember when my girls and I first came to this country. We were walking and a man ran past us. He said, “Hi!” We believed that he said “Hi” to someone behind us, so we didn't respond. But one of the girls turned to see if someone was behind us. Then she looked at me and said, “Mom, he said ‘Hi’ to us and we didn't answer!”

Thanks again to all of you.
**SOLFRID OIE
 HARTVIGSEN
 Twin Falls**

Liberal democrats filled with animosity

Reference my letter to you that was printed Friday, July 10, “Failure in the mak-

ing for U.S. Economy,” where I wrote “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...”

The liberal Democrats on the far left don't want to settle with anything less than the naturalization of a national health plan. They are filled with animosity and anger that could very easily ignite extreme lawlessness in our cities, starting in Los Angeles.

It's unthinkable that this could happen; it could mean the White House will put the nation under martial law. Believe me that this is a strong possibility as the extremists and many different groups of disorderly people could burn our cities. Going as planned? Some covert reason from the very beginning? I hope

this letter makes a fool out of me. Have a good laugh!

**SAM OVERACRE
 Kimberly**

Speaking out against Rammell comment

I am a lifelong Democrat! I did vote for President Eisenhower in 1952, but I believe the Lord has forgiven me for that. I am so angry about the comment made by this man, Rammell. Most Republicans in Idaho are not angry because President Obama is a Democrat. They are angry that he's a black Democrat. The comments I hear tell me that. Makes me wonder why we send missionaries to Africa.

The person who brought up the idea of “Obama tags” is as guilty as he is. I hope they get investigated!

**DANNY ROBERTS
 Twin Falls**

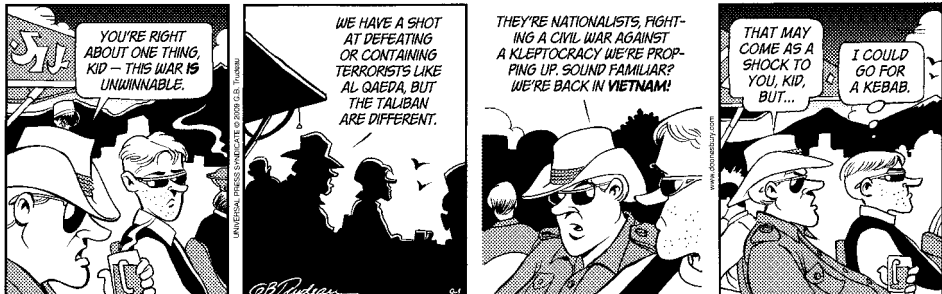
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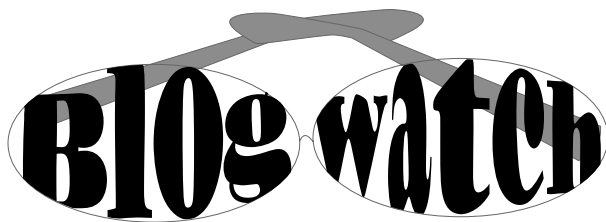
Senator Kennedy was moved to fight for health care for everyone by a personal experience. His son lost his leg to cancer and the family was fortunate enough to be able to pay for extended treatments. He knew then that he was one of the fortunate wealthy individuals who had that luxury. He saw the others around him that didn't have the money and reached out to them. It moved him to fight for such coverage for everyone. He had his personal demons and tragedy. God will be his ultimate judge, but it must be said that Ted

Kennedy worked for years to help others less fortunate.

*Progressive Voice blog
by Dixie Siegel*

Baring arms

Today we have a new and different kind of streaker, one that I wish to call a NRA streaker. Like his naked brethren this type of streaker wishes only to intrude on events, he does not seek to enlighten or discuss; he seeks only to shock our senses while gaining his 30 seconds of fame. I speak of course of the 2nd Amendment streakers appearing at town hall meetings outfitted as if they are prepared to patrol downtown Baghdad. Assault rifle



casually slung across the shoulder; pistol carried in a low-ride tactical holster, just like they have seen real soldiers do it in the movies and on television. These 2nd Amendment streakers represent the most blatant case of penis envy I have personally witnessed in my entire lifetime, and I have been around the block more than a few times. If not for the absence of make-up, they could easily be confused with a travel-

ing circus clown. Only they aren't funny.

*In the Middle blog
by Gary Eller*

Caring Americans should make their voices heard

Sure, I could go on all day repeating hypocritical phrases from our elected officials. But I have to respond to the Chuck Schumer quote about

Americans not caring. Granted, many Americans don't care ... why come out here when you can stay home and watch TiVo reruns of ABC "news" specials on Obama's health care plan? But Chuck ... many Americans do care, and some of them are here today. For those who care, let your friends and neighbors know that their government is out of control, and sooner or later their lives will be impacted sitting on the couch watching the Octomom on reality television isn't reality and it doesn't solve anything. This type of stupid distraction is what the politicians count on to take the focus off their dismal job performance.

*Conservative Corner blog
by Tom Young*

Still no comment on DUI from Lincoln Co. Commissioner

In late July, Lincoln County Commissioner Charlie Ritter was arrested for driving while under the influence and unlawful transportation of an alcoholic beverage. After the arrest became public record, Ritter declined comment to the *Times-News*. On Friday, at the end of a telephone *Times-News* interview for an unrelated matter, Ritter was asked if he'd like to comment on the DUI. "Goodbye!" he said, and then hung up the phone.

*Capitol Confidential blog
by Jared Hopkins*

You'll second-guess Microsoft at your own peril

There was a time when people in search of a full and meaningful life were advised to start off each morning by telling themselves: "Every day, in every way, I'm getting better and better."

Now, we get up and hear: "Updates are ready for your computer!"

It's depressing to realize that my computer is more bent on self-improvement than I am. At home, my laptop is so ready to update that it can barely be constrained. The other day, I found three different pleas floating around on the screen.

The "Dell Support Center Automatic Upgrade" was the most tempting since it sounded as if the computer wanted to give me a really good seat on a plane.

"Effective now," the announcement continued, "these valuable messages are part of the new Dell Support Center. Dell needs to upgrade Dell Support without impeding system



Gail Collins

performance so that messages continue to be received."

In other words, I need an upgrade so that I will better be able to receive more upgrade requests in the future. This is extremely important to my laptop, which is only offering me the response options of: More Details, Start Upgrade or Remind Me Later.

There was a time when I would have responded, but nothing good ever seemed to come of that. The updated computers were never any better at doing the things I wanted to do than the old ones. And there's always the possibility that I could trigger an inadvertent disaster.

I have been permanently traumatized by an experi-

ence with my BlackBerry, which started sending me signals that it was unhappy about something. I kept clicking around, looking for a positive response, trying to show it that I was a partner, eager to keep up my end of the relationship. The upshot was that the BlackBerry began refusing to do anything whatsoever except call up the telephone number of former Sen. Trent Lott.

My most benevolent theory about the updating requests is that my computers are just bored. The one I take on the road is always whining about the unused icons on my desktop, like a hypertidly roommate who follows you around saying, "Gee, I notice you haven't made your bed. Do you want any help with that? I know it must be really hard to remember every day, but if you want me to remind you or anything..."

My home computer has begun to flash a Windows Genuine Advantage

Notification, urging me to press a button so it can reduce software piracy and "help confirm that the copy of Windows installed on this PC is genuine and properly licensed." This does not sound as if it's all about me. In fact, the computer has no interest whatsoever in me, my BlackBerry crisis or my inability to make the iPod stop playing "Kokomo" by the Beach Boys all the time. It just wants a world where all its icons are tidily arranged, software is licensed, upgrade messages flow untrammelled and it feels better every day, in every way.

My darkest suspicion is that my computers are preparing to join their comrades in overthrowing humanity so machines can rule the earth. I have seen quite a few movies on this theme, and really, the signs are everywhere.

The other day, Jim Dwyer reported in *The New York Times* about a man in

Brooklyn whose oven broiler turns on every time the cell phone rings. Experts think this is caused by electromagnetic interference. However, I believe the oven is ticked off because its owners, in typical New York fashion, use it for storage rather than for actual cooking. And it is in cahoots with the cellphone, which probably is resentful because it is not allowed to spend its time doing the things cell-phones really enjoy, like talking to Trent Lott.

The way you respond when your computer asks for an upgrade is a good test of how you relate to technology in general. My nephew Hugh and his friends seem as excited as the computers over the whole concept. "Actually, everyone would be fine with an annual update," he said, "but that would make people feel like they were out of the loop. Unclean!"

I had a good deal of trouble getting hold of Hugh since he doesn't respond to

old-fashioned e-mail. "By the way," he said delicately when we were finished talking, "if you tell people other than me that you're writing a column on technology but don't know how to text, they might sense, um, a — disconnect."

Edward Tenner, a visiting scholar at the Rutgers University School of Communication and Information and author of "Why Things Bite Back," told me he actually used to be in the if-it's-not-broke-don't-update camp, until his computer suffered a total meltdown. The tech who fixed it told him that he should have been installing the virus-detecting updates all along. "Don't try to second-guess Microsoft," he warned, in tones the professor has now taken to heart.

Truly, words to live by. Every day in every way.

Gail Collins is a columnist for The New York Times. Write to her at gcollins@nytimes.com.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Obama health care plan is worth a try

I don't know why there are so much misleading lies, distrust and paranoia with Obama's health care plans. It might put an end to rip-offs in the health care system. I'm sort of a victim of the system now.

There's this place that helps the learning disabled get jobs as well as the physically disabled. They were wonderful in getting me jobs but three or four years after I signed off from their program because I didn't have any serious problems (I signed off at age 21). Two counselors that worked there around 1990 or so jerked me around so bad because they thought more clients, more money.

So bad it was, I still wonder if there's a phony psychology test floating around and my problem was extreme shyness along with a little slow in math; that's all. They got away with it, too. And if Obama's health care plans don't work, I'm sure they could fix it back again.

JAMES DRAPER
Heyburn

Dog owners need to clean up after their pets

Does Twin Falls have an ordinance saying that a pet owner must pick up their dog's feces?

I have noticed that the vacant building directly across from the *Times-News* office front door is a

dumping ground. I have watched people who live in or work at the nearby motel walk their dogs up and down the small strip of what used to be grass and (the dogs) defecate upon other piles of feces. No one bothers to pick it up. Why are these people allowed to do this and not pick up after their dog?

As one walks past the block, the smell of urine and feces is harsh. This is an eye sore as well as a health hazard. A responsible dog owner would carry a plastic grocery sack and pick up after their pet. If a motel makes the offer of pets allowed, then they should be responsible enough to plant a small patch of grass especially for dogs and ask the tenant to pick up after them.

I feel bad for the dogs; they have to go on top of weeks of waste. I wonder if someone does clean it up on occasion. I hope someone at the motel reads this and starts taking some responsibility.

SHERI HARDING
Twin Falls

Skaug organized another great car show

Thank you, Joe Skaug, for 11 great years of first-class car shows — from when you first started in 1998 in the Jerome City Park with just 25 cars, then moved it to the Wal-Mart parking lot in Jerome for several years which grew to more than 300 car entries and once

again back to the City Park in Jerome which ended up with both the north and south park being filled with show cars for the past several years with more than 700 car entries. You have turned a small-town car show into one of the largest car shows in the Northwest, with entries from surrounding states, and brought in big names in attractions such as Mitch McDowell, Top Fuel Dragster; Jack O'Bannon; Rick Santos; Robert Schwab, Fastest Funny Car from Australia; Ed "The Outlaw" Jones; Ken Marley and his Jet Funny Car; Dale Earnhardt Jr. Stock Car; Stacy David from ESPN's Speed Network; and Thompson Motor Sports just to name a few.

This show has brought thousands of people into the great community of Jerome to attend this event. The show was free to the public and free ice cream treats were passed out courtesy of the United Dairymen of Idaho and Schwan's. You also helped stimulate our local economy by bringing these spectators into Jerome.

The torch has now been passed over to Magic Valley Early Iron Club, and I know that they will make the show a lasting impression as you have so graciously done. You will be missed, Joe, and thanks again for putting Jerome, Idaho, on the map for first-class car shows.

MIKE POHANKA
Jerome

Still questioning CSI board decisions

Re: your recent article and editorial about the choice of College of Southern Idaho President Jerry Beck's daughter, Kristin, to head up CSI-Burley, and your articles about the choice of Starr Corp. to plan and build the new CSI-Twin Falls building: excellent work.

It is totally inconceivable to me that the three members of CSI's board never realized that their choice had the same last name as Jerry Beck.

It is equally inconceivable to me that the entire board expects the public to believe that the choice of Starr Corp. was not a tainted one. Can't we get rid of those clowns?

Jerry Beck has shown himself to be a poor choice for CSI's presidency, and has unwittingly proven correct those who opposed his appointment. (I particularly remember former CSI Professor Don Puder's prescient letter.)

On a different note: Max Covington's Aug. 14 letter about "Obama leading us to total government control" was a load of super natural crap and should have been in Saturday's religion section.

JOHN WALSH
Burley

Drivers and cyclists both need to be careful

I believe that all of us agree with the main thrust

of the Monday, Aug. 17, editorial. Bicycles, and even motorcycles, can be difficult to see and thus difficult to avoid. We all need to work harder to prevent accidents involving cycles.

But the "Our View" sidebar statement, "There's no such thing as a minor encounter between a motorist and a bicyclist," is a false statement. The danger is obviously great and the encounter can be disastrous, but a check of police reports will show that there are many such encounters that result in minor or no injury. They are minor encounters.

It was also counterproductive for the writer of the editorial to highlight the death of the bicyclist at Main Avenue and Shoshone Street. On Aug. 10 the *Times-News* reported:

"Shortly before 7 a.m., a semi truck pulling two trailers was heading north on Shoshone Street South when a bicyclist also heading north on the adjacent sidewalk ... abruptly turned left and apparently struck the second trailer, said Twin Falls Police Department Staff Sgt. Dan Lewin."

When a bicyclist swerves off of the sidewalk and into the path of the second trailer of a truck, it certainly doesn't illustrate the fact

that drivers need to be more cautious! It says that bicyclists must be more cautious.

Not long ago, after the death of a bicyclist, there was a TV news item of a group of bicycle riders leaving City Park to demonstrate for bicycle safety. The clip showed them riding three abreast up Shoshone Street. Idaho Law (49-718) clearly states that bicycles must not ride more than two abreast and must not impede traffic. Bicycle riders should know and obey the applicable traffic laws. Let's all work together to prevent bicycle fatalities.

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Lessons from Mexico for next wave of swine flu

By Martha Mendoza
Associated Press writer

MEXICO CITY — Mexico is preparing for a second wave of swine flu, looking at what worked and what didn't last spring when it banned everything from dining out to attending school in an effort to control the virus.

As the Northern Hemisphere flu season begins, the rest of the world is also studying Mexico's experience, looking for measures to replicate and costly mistakes to avoid.

So what worked? Public awareness; rapid diagnosis, treatment and quarantine; and a near-compulsive outbreak of hand-washing.

What didn't? Travel bans, school closures, overuse of antibiotics and those flimsy paper face masks that tangled hair, slid down necks and hid the beautiful smiles of this gargantuan city.

When swine flu first flared up in Mexico in April, the government erred on the side of caution, closing schools and museums, banning public

gatherings, playing soccer games to empty stadiums and telling people not to shake hands or kiss one another on the cheek. This bustling city of 18 million became eerily hollow.

Mexican health officials say they made the right call.

"Since we were the first country affected by the flu, we didn't know the possible magnitude and severity, so we took measures that we now know can be (focused)," said Dr. Pablo Kuri, the health secretary's special influenza adviser.

In hindsight, Mexico's most effective action — one now emulated around the world — was immediately telling its own citizens when the new virus was detected.

Not every country has been so candid when facing an epidemic: China was heavily criticized for its slow response to SARS in 2003, while Argentina refused to declare a national public health emergency when swine flu flared there in July.

But Mexico's openness did-



AP photo

A school official hands out antibacterial gel to a student during a screening at the entrance to school in Mexico City on Aug. 27. Mexico is preparing for a second wave of swine flu, looking at what worked and what didn't last spring when it banned everything from dining out to attending school in an effort to control the virus.

n't come cheap: Economists say the outbreak cost the country billions of dollars, mostly in losses from tourism. "Mexico shared information early and frequently," said Dr. Jon Andrus at the Pan American Health Organiza-

tion's headquarters in Washington. "Mexico did this at great cost to its economy, but it was the right thing to do."

At the height of the epidemic in March, you could hardly make it a block in Mexico City without a

masked public health worker, maitre d', bus driver or store owner squeezing a dollop of antiseptic gel onto your hands.

Health experts say hand-washing offered the best defense — while the masks

probably did little to stop the virus from spreading. Masks are now advised only for health care workers and people who are already infected.

Fear also left behind a cleaner city: Crews now regularly scrub subways and buses, park benches and offices — something almost unheard of before the epidemic.

"Clearly, millions of Mexicanos wore masks this spring everywhere they went, but H1N1 continued to spread," said Laurie Garrett, a senior fellow at the New York-based Council on Foreign Relations. "It now seems clear that the best personal protections are regular hand-washing, avoiding crowded places, and — when it is available — vaccination."

Many Mexicans wait until they suffer full-blown symptoms before going to a doctor, if at all. Often, people self-diagnose and go to a pharmacy to treat themselves since few drugs require a prescription. Since April, however, certain anti-flu drugs are distributed only at hospitals.

Hamas leader decries teaching Palestinian children about Holocaust, says it's a 'war crime'

By Diaa Hadid
Associated Press writer

GAZA CITY, Gaza Strip — A Hamas spiritual leader on Monday called teaching Palestinian children about the Nazi murder of 6 million Jews a "war crime," rejecting a suggestion that the U.N. might include the Holocaust in Gaza's school curriculum.

A senior Israeli official said such statements should make the West think twice about ending its boycott of Hamas, in place since the group seized Gaza by force in 2007. Israeli officials called the comments as "obscene" and said they place Hamas in a pariah club of Holocaust deniers that includes Iranian

President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad.

Hamas spiritual leader Younis al-Astal lashed out after hearing that the U.N. Relief and Works Agency, the main U.N. body aiding Palestinian refugees, planned to introduce lessons about the Holocaust to Gaza students.

Adding the Holocaust to the curriculum would amount to "marketing a lie and spreading it," al-Astal wrote in a statement.

"I do not exaggerate when I say this issue is a war crime, because of how it serves the Zionist colonizers and deals with their hypocrisy and lies," he wrote.

A U.N. official said no

decision has been made about introducing Holocaust education in Gaza.

Many Palestinians are reluctant to acknowledge Jewish suffering, fearing it might diminish their own. Attitudes toward the Holocaust range from outright denial to challenging its scope.

Hamas has been making overtures to the West, hoping to end a stifling blockade of Gaza. And the statements about the Holocaust by senior Hamas officials could undermine the group's attempt to present itself as pragmatic. The U.S. and Europe list Hamas as a terror group, but there have been growing calls, particularly in

Europe, to talk to the militants. Hamas control of Gaza is seen as a key obstacle to any Mideast peace deal.

Three teachers at U.N. schools said that according to the new program, basic information about the Holocaust was expected to be taught to eighth grade students as part of human rights classes.

Two of the teachers said they were told about the lesson plan by colleagues involved in the new syllabus. Another teacher said he attended a recent meeting with education officials where he was told to try to teach the new syllabus without offending parents' sensibilities.

Brazil boosting state control for new oil finds

By Alan Clendenning
Associated Press writer

SAO PAULO — Brazil's president pledged to exert more state control over immense offshore oil finds and funnel profits toward social spending, proposing new rules Monday for foreign investors needed to tap deeply buried reserves.

The plan will significantly expand the state oil company's power over development of the fields and provide for a fund to help alleviate persistent misery and improve education and technology, President Luiz Inacio Lula da Silva said.

He called Brazil's discovery of new reserves "a passport to the future," if handled properly.

"It's richness — explored

and administered well — can bring great changes to Brazil," said Silva, unveiling a plan that still needs approval from Congress.

Investors punished shares of Brazilian oil company Petroleo Brasileiro SA after the company announced that it may sell new shares to finance development of the oil fields, a move that could dilute the value of existing shares held by investors.

Petrobras' American depository shares sank 4.4 percent, or \$1.83 to \$39.64 on the New York Stock Exchange.

Mines and Energy Minister Edison Lobao said the rules include the creation of a new agency called Petrosal to oversee the 50 billion to 100 billion barrels of oil that lies deep under the ocean floor off the coast of Rio de Janeiro.

U.S. allies and came under American and European pressure to move toward peace.

The talks still face pitfalls, and will follow months of inactivity after signs of promise earlier in the year when President Obama appealed for reconciliation during a visit to Turkey.

The parliaments of the two countries must ratify a deal on diplomatic normalization, and in Turkey, nationalist sentiment and suspicion about Armenian intentions is particularly high.

Turkey, Armenia to launch talks on diplomatic ties

YEREVAN, Armenia (AP) — Armenia and Turkey, bitter foes for a century, took a step toward reconciliation Monday by announcing they would launch final talks aimed at establishing diplomatic ties. But they won't discuss the deepest source of their enmity: the massacres of Armenians under Ottoman rule.

Both sides said in a joint statement they expected the talks to take six weeks and to end with an agreement setting up and developing ties. The two countries, whose shared border is closed, are

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Are you the region's DIY champion?



As summer winds down, perhaps you're brushing the final coat of paint onto your home's new entryway, or tightening the last screws in the massive shelving that finally organized

your garage. If so, you have a chance to be south-central Idaho's champion do-it-yourselfer.

It's a title we plan to bestow on one of our readers this fall.

To compete for the title, tell us about a home-improvement project you've completed in 2009. Could be anything from adding a

bedroom to installing tiles in the kitchen. And bigger isn't necessarily better.

In this entirely subjective contest, we'll judge on these criteria: Was it a downright cool idea? Did you get a big bang for the money you spent? Did the project make a substantial functional or aesthetic difference to your home? Did you

do it yourself, without calling in the pros? Did you learn new skills in the process? And did you get it done without stretching it out unreasonably long (that is, long enough to put your spouse in tears more than twice)?

To compete, tell us about your project in an e-mail, and send it to virginia.hutchins@lee.net, with

"DIY" in the subject line. Be sure to include: your name, address and phone number; a description of the project; the estimated total cost; how long you took and when you finished the project.

Entry deadline: Sept. 16.

We'll choose our favorites and feature them in Home & Garden sections this fall.

Produce and peace of mind



Freshly picked Applause tomatoes. The top three vegetables produced at the Lighthouse Christian Community Garden are corn, green beans and tomatoes.



Photos by ASHLEY SMITH/Times-News

Vern Simmons picks Applause tomatoes Thursday morning at the Lighthouse Christian Garden of Eat'n in Twin Falls. The garden produces around 2,000 pounds of vegetables a day that the participants give away, sell at their stand or deliver through their co-op, which costs \$20 a month.

Lighthouse co-op garden gets growing

By Melissa Davlin
Times-News writer

Hiding from the midafternoon sun, Vern Simmons dozed off in a chair in the shade while his wife, Janet, called soup kitchens. The couple had been in the fields since 8 a.m. and wasn't planning to leave until evening.

Vern and Janet are regulars at the Lighthouse Christian Community Garden, sometimes spending 13 hours a day working the vegetable-filled field and the stand.

"Sometimes we get a break," Vern said after he woke up.

In its first year, the garden has been a success so far. Cooperative members pay a monthly fee and pledge to volunteer in the garden in exchange for produce. Volunteers sell the surplus at the Garden of Eat'n vegetable stand.

Produce isn't the only fruit of their labors. While working in the field, the cooperative members have also gained friendships and found peace of mind, they say.

The land, slightly less



John Proost, left, and Pat Branch sort through corn Thursday morning.

THE HARVEST

To support missionaries, you can buy local veggies at the Lighthouse Christian Garden of Eat'n farm stand:

- **Where:** Next to Kimberly Nurseries Landscape & Irrigation, 2862 Addison Ave. E., Twin Falls.
- **When:** 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Mondays through Fridays; 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturdays.

than 10 acres, belongs to a church member. It holds three acres of corn and 1,300 tomato plants. Eight pepper varieties, seven squash varieties and five types of tomatoes grace the produce stand, along with green beans, potatoes, onions, cucumbers, watermelon, eggplant and



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other edibles.

The 40-plus volunteers spend at least three hours a week working on the garden, where they weed, pick, prepare custom orders and tend to customers. Some, like Bill Nelson and Pat Branch, aren't members of Lighthouse Christian, but wanted to be part of the cooperative.

Other Lighthouse members don't participate directly in the co-op but help co-op members by bringing snacks or teaching them how to can and freeze their fresh veggies.

Working the fields is calming for many of the

workers, too. Volunteers often pray in the garden, Janet said.

"We had a guy come out here the other day who asked if he could just walk through the garden," Janet said, tearing up. When he arrived the man was distraught, but after time in the garden he looked at peace, she said.

That spiritual connection benefits the garden, too, Janet said. A couple of weeks ago, she noticed some of the tomatoes looked dusty and dry.

See **CO-OP**, H&G 3

Great Gardens



Photos by MEAGAN THOMPSON/Times-News

Jenny Mott and her granddaughters Allie Mott, 13, left, Sophia Mott, 10, and Cheyenne Mott, 18, pose in the spacious front garden at Jenny Mott's Twin Falls home. 'I utilize everything that grows,' says Mott, adding that many of the flowers growing in her garden — a mixture of vegetables and flowers — are edible and make great additions to salads.

Why water plain old grass?

By Hosanna Kabakoro
Times-News correspondent

JENNY MOTT

Surrounded by tall stalks of yellow corn and cheerful dahlias, morning glories and daisies, Jenny Mott of Twin Falls picks a bouquet of flowers and explains how to use them in everyday food preparation.

"Nasturtiums are delicious! I use them in soups and salads, and they make a great garnish," Mott says with enthusiasm.

With her grandchildren crowded around her, Mott strolls through her garden, stopping every few steps to show how she tends her plants.

"I love to switch things up every year. That tree will be moved to a new spot next year, and I'll plant morning glories on that fence instead of this fence," she indicates.

Mott's three granddaughters, Cheyenne, 18, Allie, 13, and Sophia, 10, chatter excitedly as she maneuvers them through white lattice arches, around benches and fountains.

"I can remember coming here and playing in her flowers when I was little," Cheyenne says.

Most exotic flower: White hibiscus.

Mott's green thumb tip: "Start small and be sure to mulch!"

Her mulch recipe: Sprinkle grass cuttings and mix into the soil. Crumple old newspaper and lay over the soil.

Water as usual. This helps protect the young seedlings from harsh sunlight and keeps them moist.

Most unusual garden decoration: Two original outhouses. One of them is more than 80 years old!

Most interesting aspect of the garden: Mott has a secret garden in her backyard, with wooden benches, morning glory-covered fences, lattice trellis and fountains. Her garden attracts a plethora of wildlife who light on the trellis and fill the air around her home with glorious bird-songs.

Mott's daughter-in-law, Amelia Mott, says: "I think Mom's garden is unique in the way she blends fruits, vegetables, flowers and herbs in the same plot. She

See **GARDEN**, H&G 3



Cheyenne Mott, 18, juggles an armful of Grandma's fresh produce Aug. 19 in Twin Falls. 'I'm just an old farm girl who just loves being outside,' Jenny Mott says.

Bright ideas in backyard lighting

DEAR JIM: I need some efficient outdoor lighting by my deck and backyard landscaping for security and entertaining. I am not an electrician, so I need something simple to install. What is your opinion of low-voltage lights? — **Ronnie S.**

DEAR RONNIE: I am a fan of low-voltage residential lighting and I use it in my own landscaping and gardens around my house. As you mentioned, the big advantage of low-voltage lighting is you can install it yourself and eliminate the professional installation expenses.

Another related advantage is the safety with low-voltage lighting. When you work in your landscaping and gardens as much as I do, you do not have to worry about the risk of electrocution when digging with metal garden tools. I think every avid gardener has at least once accidentally cut through wire insulation while working in the garden.

The energy efficiency of low-voltage lighting is similar to standard line-voltage (120 volts) outdoor lighting. There may be slightly more electricity loss because of transformer inefficiencies and higher current in the wiring, but it is not a significant difference for most systems.

The newest and most energy efficient low-voltage landscaping lighting uses super-efficient LED's (light emitting diodes) instead of standard incandescent bulbs. Each low-voltage LED fixture may use as little as three watts of electricity compared to about 10 times that much for some standard fixtures. The light quality from LED's is very white and pleasing.

The most difficult part of installing a low-voltage lighting system is making sure the total wattage of the all the fixtures on a line does not exceed the rated output of the transformer. The maximum 12-volt output wattage will be listed on the transformer and the instructions for the fixtures should list their individual wattages.

When selecting a low-voltage system or the com-

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ponents to put your own system together, select a transformer with a built-in timer. These are common in many kits and easy to find. With a timer, there is no chance of leaving the lights on all night and wasting electricity.

You will probably select a variety of path, deck and floodlights to meet most of your landscape lighting needs. For much of the general lighting where the fixture is not noticeable, inexpensive plastic fixtures are fine. For more exposed areas, decorative metal fixtures with stained and etched glass are attractive. An another attractive option is natural wood fixtures.

To edge a path, snap-together lighted plastic simulated bricks are effective. The electrical connectors are built into the bricks so you have to run wiring to only the first brick along the edge. To light a deck, several decking material manufacturers offer built-in post and baluster lights with hidden wiring.

DEAR JIM: I am building a house that will use passive solar heating. It will be a ranch-style house with many south-facing windows. What is the best way to plan the rooms for the best natural heat circulation? — **Faith G.**

DEAR FAITH: An open floor plan is generally best for passive solar heating. This allows the solar heated air, usually on the south side of the house, to circulate more freely throughout the rest of the house.

Design the interior walls with large openings between rooms. For efficiency and a contemporary look, build curved walls and smooth transitions between rooms. Bendable drywall is ideal for this. Since it is thin, two layers will be needed.

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A small LED floodlight provides very white light to highlight specific areas of your landscaping.

Arsenic in your soil

By Scott Aker
Special to The Washington Post

Q. I would like to create a vegetable plot in a sunny part of my yard, but the area would be about 10 feet from an old pressure-treated fence that probably contains arsenic. Would it be safe to grow vegetables in this vicinity?

A. Most vegetables like soil that has a neutral pH or is slightly alkaline, conditions that diminish the risks of arsenic contamination. Arsenic is bound to aluminum and iron in soil, and the resulting compounds are not very soluble

in neutral or alkaline pH soils. You can test the soil for arsenic (and pH), but it is unlikely to be in the high range unless the area served as a site for dumping of industrial wastes containing arsenic. This would be evident by the failure of most plants to grow in the site.

At any rate, the distance between the fence and your new garden would be too great for any significant amount of arsenic to travel through the soil.

Scott Aker is a horticulturist at the U.S. National Arboretum.

A vote for the lived-in kitchen

These are places with personalities

By Bonnie S. Benwick
The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — As a food editor, I get invited into all sorts of kitchens to watch people cook, and this is what I've discovered: There are lots of fabulously outfitted kitchens, but few of them are truly fabulous.

My unprovable theory about the Great Misstep of Modern Kitchen Design is that when people ask for a more workable, functional space, what they receive is the maximum footage of cabinets and countertops.

That's what a lot of us end up with after the final punch list is complete. But it's not really enough, because the cook's personality is often missing. Ever wonder what makes some kitchens the place where party guests always congregate? The folks don't gather 'round just to grab the freshest hors d'oeuvres.

A question along those lines first occurred to me in 1967. That year, my parents paid workmen to break through an exterior wall and construct a live-in, eat-in space roughly one-fourth the size of our modest house. They consulted neither architect nor space planner. Not everything was perfect: One only has to consider the era's gold-flecked laminate and textured vinyl flooring. Yet my mom, a full-time nurse, dictated features with evergreen efficiencies. The kitchen instantly became the hub of our home. Someone was always in there, either working or on the phone or talking around the table. And eating.

Years later, when it came time to update or remodel kitchens I owned, in my mind, I never got it right. Too often I fell under the sway of kitchen trends: the built-in wine or spice rack, often near the stove (!); upper cabinet doors that were inches from my nose as I prepped on the counter below; the set of Lazy Susan rotating shelves intended to maximize the dead space in corners.

Size and style aside, a fabulous kitchen should provide comfort. A table and chairs are important but not essential; a source of natural light is, though, because it makes us feel good and makes food look better.

A few months ago I spent a Sunday in the kitchen of chef Ris Lacoste in Washington, D.C.'s Glover Park neighborhood. She and architect-builder Andrew Cassatt spent nine months creating it, and anyone who has suffered through such a redesign just read that and winced in empathy. Their effort speaks for itself. Lacoste is happy and comfortable in her kitchen, which measures about 220 square feet.

In figuring out her personal kitchen, she successfully incorporated elements of restaurant-kitchen practicality, her style and the architecture of her 1911 house. As a result, her kitchen is a lived-in space. Efficient? Yes. Sleek? Not even close.

It is graced by the natural light from five windows and a few glass doors. But the first things you notice are the open shelves loaded with plates, pottery and glassware. The objects complement the room's wall colors of pale yellow, blue and gray and are illuminated by undermount lighting.

Then there's the 9 1/2-foot stretch of maple countertop Lacoste has dubbed her "appliance



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A kitchen doesn't have to be sleek and empty to be fabulous. The kitchen of chef Ris Lacoste in Washington.

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alley,' where she can go straight to her mixer, food processor, high-powered blender, digital scale, toaster (with stacks of jam jars), coffee grinder, spice grinders (for savory and sweet), juicer and timer. She never has to hoist a machine from a lower berth or hide one behind a tamboured door.

Lacoste's 14-inch-deep sink and sinkboard are made of greenish-black soapstone, with a flexible rinsing faucet at hand and a wonderfully practical 4-inch-high splash guard along the front of the drainboard. (Cassatt had seen the latter feature in commercial kitchens.) Lacoste uses the sink's generous proportions for food prep and oversize pots and pans, but not for after-dinner cleanup. For that she turns to a standard-size stainless-steel sink, dishwasher and fridge, which make up the butler's-pantry area of the kitchen, a little out of sight due to the placement of the house's original porch.

Deep, easy-sliding drawers are filled according to the task that is performed nearby: Dish towels and napkins are below the shelves with plates; baking ingredients and measuring cups are housed just under a marble slab. Dutch ovens and casseroles rest on lower racks below the wooden island that's situated between her large range and a second oven built in just below the appliance alley. A massive custom pot rack wraps around the ventilation hood.

Perhaps the best feature seems built-in, but isn't. With the tug of a handle, the lower half of a vertical pantry on casters pulls away from the wall. It's actually a garbage bin that can roll right next to the island for easy offloading and is almost as tall as the butcher block itself.

I realize that some folks would look at Lacoste's kitchen and see clutter. Pots and platters are exposed to the dust and grime of a daily workspace. But the room is functional and well organized; and it's part-lab, where she is inspired to develop new recipes.

"I have what I need where I need it," she says. "And I like seeing my collection of brownware."

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TIPS FOR MAKING A WELCOMING KITCHEN

WASHINGTON — Creating a comfortable, welcoming kitchen can be an expensive undertaking, but it does not have to be. British kitchen designer Johnny Grey says the need for an unfitted kitchen — one that does not rely on lots of built-in cabinets — is particularly keen in tough economic times.

His most striking, pragmatic kitchen designs create an easy flow, often with a variety of shapes and natural materials.

"It's about assembling an authentic spirit of home around you," he says. "The core idea of using (your own) free-standing furniture and enjoying cooking are in line with the new zeitgeist."

Grey has championed the cause since 1980, when an interview with him in the Sunday Times of London launched his design career. He was inspired by the kitchen of his aunt, the food writer Elizabeth David. She cooked in a space filled with free-standing cupboards, open plate racks on the walls, surfaces of varying heights for different tasks and utensils that hung on pegboard.

This was all out of step with America's perimeter-bound, streamlined kitchens of the 1950s and '60s. Grey called his aunt's kitchen "highly atmospheric"; it looked like a heavenly jumble to unfitted-kitchen aficionados who saw the photos of it in his 1994 and 1997 books on kitchen design.

If you are able to alter the physical makeup of your kitchen, consider these do's and don'ts from Grey:

- **Storage.** A mix-and-match style of separate pieces can create a more relaxed room. By limiting built-in cabinetry, you can use wall space for artwork. You can repurpose furniture you own and/or add pieces as you can afford them; start with an island that has cooking facilities and a sink cabinet. Shelves are less expensive than cabinets, and they are decorative and allow for easy, immediate access. They work best for items that are washed regularly, to avoid buildup of dust and dirt. Pots and pans can be stacked on open shelves that afford greater access and more space than storing them in drawers or pullout shelves of lower cabinets.

For knives, vertical storage sunk into a countertop or butcher block is safer and kinder to the utensils than storing them on magnetic

rods or in thick blocks.

- **Countertops.** It seems counterintuitive, but too much footage creates unnecessarily long distances and low-key confusion. By limiting the amount of countertop space, you have room for something more social, such as a window, sofa or large table. Smaller, dedicated work areas (one task per area) help the cook get organized.

As for materials, Grey says colored granite is on the way out, trendwise; matte black granite is in, as is CaesarStone, an inert composite made of granite dust or marble dust.

- **The "work triangle."** It's an overly simplistic approach, Grey says. The trinity of sink, refrigerator and stove do not necessarily apply when curves are introduced in the design, or when work areas and storage areas are carefully situated and planned around the room.

- **Varying surface heights.** Raising the dishwasher 14 inches off the floor is kinder on the user's back and reduces distances for putting dishes away (especially if they are in nearby plate racks on the wall or in drawers next to the dishwasher). When the dishwasher height is raised, that naturally creates a higher surface that can be used for display or for storing breakable items.

Lower surfaces allow access for children and are more ergonomic when using appliances such as mixers and food processors.

- **Small second sinks.** "Utterly useless," Grey says. If you have the room, install a standard-size sink and designate it for one use, such as vegetable prep or dish cleanup.

— Bonnie S. Benwick

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Jenny Mott and her 10-year-old granddaughter, Sophia, hang out in the seat where Mott likes to bird watch. It's a private corner of the garden shielded by stands of corn. 'This is where I go to hide from Grandpa,' Mott jokes.

Garden

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will have daisies next to summer squash! It's different, and I enjoy visiting it."

Mott didn't always grow such a large garden. Her inspiration came last year when the price of water rose. Mott says she and her husband thought it was a waste of money to water "plain old grass." She asked her husband to dig up the front lawn, and she began planting a variety of edible and inedible plants and flowers.

"I really enjoy being out here. I'm out here a lot, and my husband says that during the planting season not much housework gets done," she says.

Mott, who grew up on a farm, says planting has always seemed to be a part of life, and she encourages novice gardeners to start small. "If you are a new gardener, get a simple vegetable like tomatoes, and a bag of wildflowers. They are easy to work with and require low maintenance. You can move on to more difficult varieties from there."

Mott says gardening is when she prays for her large family, and that working outdoors helps her find solutions to her problems.

"Each plant or flower I grow has a special meaning to me. The morning glories remind me of God's glorious creation, and I planted my mulberry tree in remembrance of my grandson. I just love being out here!"

Amelia beams and adds: "In my opinion, the best thing she has grown is the man I married."

Hand-in-hand, the Mott family laughs as they stroll



Jenny Mott says she lives in the garden during summer. This portion of her garden gets lots of shade, so she keeps track of the plants that will need to be moved to sunnier patches next year. 'Different plants remind me of different people in my life,' says Mott, who uses her time in the garden as her time of prayer.



A bird rests on the branches of a dead tree in Jenny Mott's garden Aug. 19 in Twin Falls. Mott says she keeps the tree, and other plants that she may not like, for the birds.

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— Jenny Mott

deeper into the garden, stopping to pluck a weed, or simply gaze in wonder at the beauty of what is surely one of Twin Falls' most diverse

gardens.

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ASHLEY SMITH/Times-News

Tara Farmer, right, and Joann Rutler sort through Roma tomatoes at the church's stand.

Co-op

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"I prayed, 'Lord, we need some rain to wash off our plants,'" Janet said. A few days later, it rained.

On another day, the garden had produced too many tomatoes, and volunteers were worried they would spoil, said organiz-

er Jay Proost. Right before close, a customer came and bought five bushels.

The volunteers are passing on their blessings. Extra produce goes to local soup kitchens and shelters, and all proceeds go to funding missionaries abroad.

"That garden belongs to

God," Vern said.

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What a little moonlight can do in the garden



AP photo

The most dramatic change to come over the garden at night is — duh — darkness. Even full moonlight bathes the garden with only about one-half-millionth as much light as sunlight.

It's quite a different look

By Lee Reich
For The Associated Press

"By the light of the silvery moon" is such a fine time to be in the garden.

The look is quite different from the garden in daylight, and worth considering when you plan your plots. Even full moonlight bathes the garden with only about one-half-millionth as much light as sunlight.

COLOR GONE

This darkness brings subtle changes in our perceptions of the garden. There's not enough moonlight to activate the color-sensing cones in our eyes, so the same garden that is in technicolor in afternoon is in black and white at night. Not that it is any less appealing: What it lacks in colorful fun it gains in quiet elegance.

Without the distraction of color, mass and form are what catch our attention in the night garden.

Forsythia, rhododendron, lilac and other shrubs that are dense with leaves take on a bold presence at night, joining other amorphous masses. In daylight, those same bushes hardly get a second glance, except in spring when they are draped in flowers.

Walls and trees — every dense, three-dimensional form, in fact — also take on a bold presence in the silvery moonlight. Their forms might suggest alien creatures. They might guide our eyes or feet along in the dim light. And they might offer an earthbound anchor from night's awesome "big sky!"

You won't get this feeling from hybrid tea rose bushes or a few marigolds here and there, both of which brighten the garden by day but fade away into the darkness of night.

APPARENT SIZES CHANGE

By day, colors alter our

perception of the landscape. The red of such flowers as geranium and crocosmia is so eye-catching that the plants seem to jump towards us. A sedate sweep of blue — whether from salvias or balloon flowers — has the opposite effect, that of receding into the distance. Now jumble the sunlit scene further with contrasts and harmonies among colors. Whew!

For relief, step out into the moonlit garden and be greeted by serene, static masses. For some reason — perhaps it is the lack of color — everything visible in the moonlit garden seems larger than it does by day. By night, butterfly bushes will seem ready to embrace or envelop from all sides; an arched entranceway to a vegetable garden feels like it towers overhead at night.

And yes, the night garden does have its flowers. As darkness falls, it is pale flowers, and especially white ones, that become more prominent. They seem to emit a soft glow.

White phlox, golden and pink blushed climbing roses, white and soft pink lavatera: they all offer a cool but welcoming hello in the light of the moon.

Among night's most hauntingly beautiful flowers are those whose pale trumpet shapes attract the pollinating bats and moths that go about their work only at night. Like their pollinators, some varieties of these flowers — angel's trumpet, nicotiana, cereus and moonflower, for example — open only at night, shyly folding up

each morning.

The sweet fragrances wafted into the air by many night bloomers strengthen their allure to bats and moths. The perfumes alone might be sufficient enticement to bring you out into the garden at night, to enjoy even in the absence of moonlight.



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Tomorrow: Mostly sunny skies and dry. Highs middle 80s, lows upper 50s.

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Temperature		Precipitation	
Yesterday's High	81	Yesterday's	Trace
Yesterday's Low	49	Month to Date	0.83"
Normal High / Low	81 / 49	Avg. Month to Date	0.46"
Record High	96 in 1995	Water Year to Date	12.11"
Record Low	31 in 1965	Avg. Water Year to Date	9.68"

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BOISE
 Today Highs 71 to 79. Tonight's Lows 37 to 48. The first few days of September will be dry and rather hot. Milder temperatures though, as well as a chance of a few thunderstorms will develop late in the week.

NORTHERN UTAH
 Sunny to mostly sunny, hot and dry for today through Thursday. Labor Day weekend looks a little milder with a few thunderstorms.

Yesterday's State Extremes - High: 88 at Boise. **Low:** 33 at Dixie.
 weather key: su-sunny, pc-partly cloudy, mc-mostly cloudy, c-cloudy, th-thunderstorms, sh-showers,r-rain, sn-snow, fl-furries, w-wind, m-missing

TWIN FALLS FIVE-DAY FORECAST

Today	Tonight	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Mostly sunny and very warm	Partly cloudy	Breezy and very warm	Mostly sunny and warm	Chance of scattered thunderstorms	Partly cloudy, chance of a few storms
High 90	Low 58	91 / 59	87 / 56	85 / 55	83 / 53

Yesterday's Weather

City	Hi	Lo	Prep
Boise	88	62	0.00"
Challis	69	42	0.04"
Coeur d'Alene	84	63	0.00"
Idaho Falls	78	54	0.05"
Jerome	82	53	Trace
Lewiston	88	62	0.01"
Lowell	82	57	0.19"
Malad City	not available		
Malta	82	52	0.00"
Pocatello	83	54	0.01"
Rexburg	75	54	0.04"
Salmion	72	48	0.01"
Stanley	64	36	0.11"
Sun Valley	66	43	0.10"

ALMANAC - TWIN FALLS

Temperature	Precipitation	Humidity	Barometric Pressure	Sunrise and Sunset	Pollen Count
Yesterday's High 84	Yesterday's 0.13"	Yesterday High 80%	5 p.m. Yesterday 29.97 in.	Today Sunrise: 7:03 AM Sunset: 8:12 PM	TF pollen count yesterday: 33 (Mod.) Thistle, Kochia, Sagebrush
Yesterday's Low 51	Month to Date 0.42"	Yesterday Low 20%		Wednesday Sunrise: 7:04 AM Sunset: 8:10 PM	Mold: 5800 (High)
Normal High / Low 80 / 48	Avg. Month to Date 13.04"	Today's Forecast High 35%		Thursday Sunrise: 7:05 AM Sunset: 8:08 PM	Cladosporium, Smuts
Record High 93 in 1996	Water Year to Date 10.44"	Today's Forecast Low 15%	A water year runs from Oct. 1 to Sept. 30	Friday Sunrise: 7:06 AM Sunset: 8:06 PM	
Record Low 34 in 1965	Temperature and precipitation valid through 5 p.m.			Saturday Sunrise: 7:07 AM Sunset: 8:05 PM	

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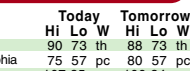
REGIONAL FORECAST

City	Today	Tomorrow	Thursday
Boise	91 55 pc	92 58 pc	87 55 pc
Bonners Ferry	88 57 pc	90 55 pc	81 51 sh
Burley	85 53 pc	86 57 pc	84 50 pc
Challis	86 52 pc	88 58 pc	86 49 pc
Coeur d'Alene	87 62 pc	89 58 pc	78 52 pc
Elko, NV	87 50 pc	89 47 th	84 46 th
Eugene, OR	79 52 pc	80 51 pc	73 48 pc
Gooding	85 53 pc	89 54 pc	84 54 pc
Grace	84 51 pc	85 53 pc	84 51 pc
Hagerman	92 55 pc	94 56 pc	90 56 pc
Hailey	81 52 pc	82 56 pc	80 51 pc
Idaho Falls	82 52 pc	82 54 pc	83 51 pc
Kalispell, MT	84 55 pc	88 48 pc	83 49 pc
Jerome	87 56 pc	89 57 pc	85 56 pc
Fairbanks	81 52 pc	87 64 pc	88 59 pc
Malad City	85 52 pc	86 54 pc	86 52 pc
Malta	87 53 pc	88 55 pc	86 50 pc
McCall	80 42 pc	83 51 pc	76 43 pc
Missoula, MT	87 55 pc	90 51 pc	84 50 th
Pocatello	87 55 pc	88 58 pc	87 54 pc
Portland, OR	80 60 pc	81 59 pc	74 57 pc
Rupert	88 55 pc	90 58 pc	88 51 pc
Rexburg	80 50 pc	80 51 pc	80 49 pc
Richland, WA	90 62 pc	92 60 pc	85 58 pc
Rogerson	80 50 pc	81 50 th	77 47 th
Salmion	87 49 pc	88 48 pc	86 47 pc
Salt Lake City, UT	89 67 pc	90 67 pc	90 66 pc
Spokane, WA	78 52 su	80 58 pc	83 59 pc
Stanley	76 40 pc	78 45 pc	77 37 pc
Sun Valley	72 47 pc	74 51 pc	73 45 pc
Yellowstone, MT	66 42 th	70 42 pc	72 36 pc

NATIONAL FORECAST

City	Today	Tomorrow
Atlanta	79 63 sh	80 60 pc
Atlanta City	76 67 pc	76 67 pc
Baltimore	75 58 pc	77 60 pc
Billings	84 57 th	88 58 pc
Birmingham	84 61 sh	83 62 th
Boston	71 56 su	74 59 su
Charleston, SC	81 66 sh	80 68 th
Charleston, WV	79 53 pc	78 54 pc
Chicago	71 67 su	74 56 su
Cleveland	73 51 su	76 56 su
Denver	84 55 pc	82 53 pc
Des Moines	75 54 pc	77 55 pc
Detroit	75 58 su	77 54 su
El Paso	96 69 th	95 67 th
Fairbanks	60 44 mc	64 45 pc
Fargo	79 56 pc	79 55 pc
Honolulu	87 75 pc	87 75 pc
Houston	93 68 pc	93 70 pc
Indianapolis	76 53 su	79 56 su
Jacksonville	85 71 th	82 71 th
Kansas City	79 57 pc	78 58 th
Las Vegas	102 80 pc	101 81 pc
Little Rock	84 58 pc	85 60 pc
Los Angeles	79 64 su	79 63 su
Memphis	83 57 su	84 63 su
Miami	90 75 th	89 75 th
Milwaukee	68 51 su	70 54 su
Nashville	81 57 pc	82 59 th
New Orleans	88 71 pc	88 71 su
New York	77 57 su	78 61 su
Oklahoma City	84 62 pc	87 65 th
Omaha	76 57 pc	77 59 th

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WORLD FORECAST

City	Today	Tomorrow
Acapulco	85 75 th	88 76 sh
Athens	87 75 pc	86 71 su
Auckland	81 47 sh	59 41 sh
Bangkok	80 77 sh	87 76 th
Beijing	81 58 pc	80 66 pc
Berlin	89 60 pc	80 59 sh
Buenos Aires	60 50 pc	61 48 pc
Calao	96 68 pc	95 67 pc
Dharam	106 87 pc	107 87 pc
Geneva	79 56 sh	71 56 pc
Hong Kong	85 82 th	86 82 sh
Jerusalem	92 65 pc	91 64 pc
Johannesburg	79 53 pc	78 49 pc
Kuwait City	108 86 pc	110 88 pc
London	69 55 sh	67 51 sh
Mexico City	69 49 sh	68 50 sh
Moscow	70 49 pc	72 54 pc
Nairobi	74 56 r	69 54 r
Oslo	68 53 sh	82 49 sh
Paris	74 52 sh	70 58 pc
Prague	86 60 pc	78 58 pc
Rio de Janeiro	80 64 pc	87 67 pc
Rome	87 72 th	86 73 th
Santiago	57 43 sh	55 40 sh
Seoul	76 55 pc	78 56 pc
Sydney	68 48 pc	66 55 sh
Tel Aviv	82 79 pc	82 79 pc
Tokyo	84 69 pc	74 66 r
Vienna	79 56 pc	79 59 sh
Warsaw	76 58 pc	79 60 sh
Winnipeg	78 58 pc	82 54 pc
Zurich	80 55 sh	83 52 sh

TODAY'S NATIONAL MAP

Valid to 6 p.m. today
 Yesterday's National Extremes:
 High: 118 at Death Valley, Calif.
 Low: 28 at Leota, Mich.

CANADIAN FORECAST

City	Today	Tomorrow
Calgary	81 54 pc	84 52 pc
Cranbrook	77 48 pc	48 pc 79
Edmonton	82 55 pc	88 56 sh
Kelowna	79 44 sh	79 37 pc
Lethbridge	88 60 sh	91 58 sh
Regina	87 60 pc	88 65 pc
Saskatoon	88 60 pc	89 69 pc
Toronto	69 44 pc	71 50 pc
Vancouver	72 55 pc	72 51 pc
Victoria	75 54 pc	75 54 pc
Winnipeg	78 58 pc	82 54 pc

GREGG MIDDLEKAUFF'S QUOTE OF THE DAY
 "The future belongs to those who see possibilities before they become obvious."
 John Sculley, Business Executive

The \$1,000 sell-it-fast makeover

By Jonathan Starkey
 The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — Even with a budget of \$1,000 or less, sellers are not priced out of making improvements that can help their home stand out among the competition. In fact, real estate experts say there are many relatively small upgrades that can go a long way toward attracting buyers.

"There are a lot of things that you can do that won't cost a lot of money but will sure make your home look a whole lot more appealing," said Gwyn Thorne, owner of Staged Appeal Homes in Fairfax, Va. Among Thorne's top suggestions for a thousand-dollar budget:

- **Swap out old light fixtures** to help modernize the feel of the interior. Flush-mounted fixtures suitable for bedrooms and hallways can go for as little as \$20 a pair, Thorne said. "Because a lot of the light fixtures that are in the older houses haven't been changed, they have a very outdated look," she said.
- **Buy a new bathroom vanity.** Vanities start from only about \$200. Add a new faucet and relatively inexpensive peel-and-stick tiling, and the bathroom looks like new, Thorne said. "Bathrooms and kitchens are probably the two most important rooms in the house," she said.



Nicci Parrish, co-owner of Impress Me Home Staging in Bowie, Md., said sellers should focus on the exterior. "If it doesn't look good on the outside, buyers are going to have a negative opinion

before they get inside," she said. Some of her favorite touches:

- **Add colorful flowers** in a planter on the front porch.
- **Buy a new mailbox** to replace a shabby old one.
- **Touch up paint** on the door and shutters.

All are relatively inexpensive improvements that can help would-be buyers feel more comfortable, Parrish said. "When someone is coming up to your house, it just makes it a little bit more warm and inviting," she said.

And make sure house numbers are clearly visible, she added. Sellers know where they live; buyers don't. Deborah Gorham, a real estate agent with Long & Foster in Centreville, Va., said sellers should start simple. Painting, she said, is the best investment a seller can make.

She offers some specific tips:

- **Apply neutral-colored paint** with white trim to help the home's architectural details stand out and remove the seller's personal style, which might conflict with buyers' preferences. Painting can be cheap, she said. "I say this in all due kindness: Most people can figure out how to paint and do it themselves," Gorham said.
- **Replace the oldest kitchen appliance.** Specifically, replacing a dishwasher — often viewed as the most unsanitary kitchen appliance — can go a long way with buyers, Gorham said, and it costs only a few hundred dollars. "If they have the funds to do it, a dishwasher is the kitchen appliance that takes the most use and abuse," she said. The kitchen is a room buyers obsess over, she said, and they "just want new!"

• **Have the air ducts cleaned.** "You can literally look in the intake vents and see how dirty it is," Gorham said.

Alongside de-cluttering, comprehensively cleaning is the other most fundamental task sellers should take on before their house hits the market, said Elaine Quigley, owner of Topline Home Staging in Burke, Va., and president of the local chapter of International Association of Home Staging Professionals. Quigley has some do-it-yourself suggestions:

- **"Clean it beyond** what they can imagine cleanliness is," Quigley said. "The tracks in the windows, get every cobweb, every piece of dust, get in there with a toothbrush." As with painting, sellers can keep cleaning costs down by doing it themselves.

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Mold and Mildew can make the exterior of your home look dirty, unattractive and rob it of its curb appeal. If left unchecked, they can also damage paint, wood, roofs and siding.

Control the moisture around your home. Keep shrubs, plants and such away from exterior wall. Trim any branches or tree limbs that touch the outside of your home. Clear gutters and drains of any leaves or debris. Since mold and mildew need moisture to grow, redirect sprinklers and rotate hanging planters to prevent water from regularly collecting on exterior surfaces. Also, make sure rain water is not collecting near your home's foundation. Repair leaks and extend downspouts away from the foundation.

With today many new products on the market you can find a mold and mildew house cleaner that will kill mold and mildew without heavy scrubbing or power washing. There are also cleaners that quickly clean, kills mold and mildew on tile, slate, metal and other non-porous roof material.

To prevent it from coming back you can buy paint with preventatives that stop it from coming back and have very good guarantees that also resist cracking, fading peeling and blistering and can be tinted to any color you may want. Just ask for local dealers for the best products for this type of problem.

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Budget woes prompt livestock center questions

Some say facility will duplicate efforts, waste money

By Joshua Palmer
Times-News writer

Tempers are starting to flare as University of Idaho officials wrapped up a series of meetings last week with members of Idaho's agricultural community.

Farmers, ranchers and even some dairymen in western and eastern Idaho allege the university will

spend million of dollars to duplicate dairy research — while shuttering three research centers to save a buck.

The debate over a long-term solution to state agricultural research centers has revealed a new divide between those who support the proposed livestock research center near Jerome and those who say the

money should be spent to keep other centers open.

John Hammel, dean of U of I's College of Agricultural Life Sciences, said last week the college will not duplicate programs that are being offered elsewhere in the Pacific Northwest.

But some members of Idaho's agricultural community say the college is planning to spend about \$30

million to duplicate a dairy research center that is similar to many others in the West.

People like Claudia Haynes, a retired farmer in Canyon County, questioned efforts to build a multi-million dollar dairy research center near Jerome after the college announced it will likely close three research and extension centers

because of a massive budget shortfall.

"Am I crazy, or shouldn't we be spending that money to keep these other centers open," she said. "Why do we need another dairy center, when there are so many nearby?"

At issue is a proposed livestock research center, which could cost as much as \$35 million through a joint partnership between the dairy industry and the University of Idaho.

University officials say the dairy industry will pay about \$5 million, while \$10 million would come from U of I and another \$10 million would come from the state. The remainder would come from federal stimulus dollars.

At the same time, the university is recommending that research centers in Sandpoint, Parma and Teton be closed in order to meet a \$3.26 million budget shortfall.

See **CENTER**, Agribusiness 3

Liking strip till



Strip tillage sweeps away crop residue from a narrow row, opens a slit in the soil for the seed and fertilizer to be placed, then covers the slit. This method of conservation tillage helps conserve soil moisture and protect seedlings from wind.



Photos by CINDY SNYDER/For the Times-News

Nearly 125 producers and other interested persons attended a strip tillage seminar and demonstration in Burley on Aug. 27. Some estimate that 20,000 to 25,000 acres may have been strip tilled this spring in the Magic Valley. Sugar beet growers were the first to become interested in the practice, but bean growers and corn growers are also adopting it.

Practice spreads beyond sugar beets and into other crops

By Cindy Snyder
Times-News correspondent

BURLEY — Change is never easy, but a growing number of Magic Valley producers are re-evaluating their tillage practices.

Ken Lebsack, owner of Magic Valley Equipment in Paul, estimates between 15 and 20 strip till machines covered about 15,000 acres for the 2009 growing season, up from 1,000 to 1,500 acres in 2008.

That's more than the 4,000 acres Amalgamated Sugar Co. projected would be strip tilled this year, but

company officials point out that commercial bean growers as well as corn growers are also putting the practice to work.

Robert Downard, a field man for Amalgamated Sugar Co. who is heading up the strip till program for sugar beet growers, was somewhat surprised to see so many acres strip tilled this year. As with any change, some growers experienced difficulties this year that may slow the growth in acres next year, but Downard doesn't expect the practice will go away.

Over 120 growers attend-

ed a strip tillage seminar and demonstration in Burley in late August.

A strip till unit essentially sweeps aside some of last year's crop residue and opens a slit in the ground for the seed and fertilizer to be placed in. That leaves most of the previous crop residue on top of the ground to stop wind erosion in the field and help preserve soil moisture.

Sugar beet growers in sandy areas such as the Dietrich area in the Magic Valley or the Greenleaf area west of Boise were the first to see the benefits of strip tillage, but other growers

are watching and seeing how the practice may benefit them. Fewer trips across the field means less fuel expense and fewer hours on a tractor.

In some parts of the country, growers have configured units to strip till, apply fertilizer and plant in one pass. Steve Huettig, who farms with his father near Hazelton, doesn't expect to pull a planter behind a strip till unit any time soon. "We're just pretty excited to get our beets planted in two passes rather

See **TILL**, Agribusiness 2

Four face charges in sale of cheese

Product alleged to be unlicensed, unpasteurized

By Hector Becerra
Los Angeles Times

LOS ANGELES — For years, relatives of Zeferino Garcia in Oaxaca, Mexico, routinely sent him a cargo of quesillo cheese. From Tijuana, the bulk of unpasteurized cheese would be taken to his restaurant and two stores in Los Angeles. Life was good, he thought, and tasty.

"If you don't have quesillo from Oaxaca, you practically can't have a Oaxacan restaurant," said Garcia, 43.

Then three months ago, a health inspector came to Garcia's store and told him he was breaking the law by selling unlicensed, unpasteurized cheese. An inspector returned about a month

ago, then again about two weeks ago, when Garcia said he had an "audience" with health authorities.

On Thursday the Los Angeles City Attorney's office filed misdemeanor criminal charges against four people who allegedly sold illegal cheese. Garcia was one of them.

Prosecutors said they are going after businesses that sell unpasteurized, unlicensed and often unlabeled cheeses that could contain harmful bacteria.

"We're looking at this as a public health risk," said Don Kass, a deputy city attorney. "This kind of cheese can cause a serious illness when pathogens are present."

Health officials say some of it is spirited into the country in suitcases and is then sold to residents or restaurants and at open-air markets out of coolers. In other cases, the cheese is

See **CHEESE**, Agribusiness 3

AGRIBUSINESS BRIEFS

ISDA to host pesticide disposal program

The Idaho State Department of Agriculture is sponsoring an unusable pesticide disposal program Sept. 16 at the BLM yard in Burley and Sept. 17 at the Twin Falls Canal Company yard in Twin Falls.

Ag pesticides are welcome as well as homeowners, pesticide applicators, researchers or pesticide dealers. No fertilizers, spent motor oil, antifreeze, paint or similar waste are accepted. All of the "icedes" (fungicides, insecticides, rodenticides, etc.) are accepted.

You must call the local ISDA field office 208-736-5277 or 736-4759 or 736-4790 to pre-notify them of the total pounds being brought to the local collection site. A limit of 1,000 lbs. can be dumped for free.

U of I offers grazing academy

SALMON - University of

Idaho Extension will offer its national award-winning Lost Rivers Grazing Academy on Sept. 15-18 at the Eagle Valley Ranch near Salmon.

The four-day workshop will help participants improve their forage production and quality, increase their stocking rates and animal performance, and boost their net income, said Chad Cheyney, University of Idaho Extension educator in Butte County. It will feature a combination of classroom and field exercises to help operators understand the principles of management-intensive grazing of irrigated pastures and give them some solid practice.

Cost of the program — including all meals and materials — is \$450. For more details, contact Cheyney at 208-527-8587 or ccheyney@uidaho.edu in Arco or University of Idaho Extension educator Scott Jensen at (208) 896-4104 or scottj@uidaho.edu.

— staff reports

Beer companies don't give specifics on plan to raise prices

By Jerry Hirsch
Los Angeles Times

The two largest U.S. beer sellers said this week that they plan to raise prices, although they provided few specifics.

"We feel like we will take a

moderate price increase on our portfolio," said Peter Marino, spokesman for Chicago-based MillerCoors LLC, maker of Miller Lite, Coors Light and Blue Moon. He blamed rising expenses on the need to raise prices, but did not elaborate.

Like other food manufacturers, brewers have been hit by commodity price increases in recent years, but have not been as aggressive about raising prices, analysts said. Traditionally they raise prices in the fall.

"We still think that beer is

a pretty good value right now, and we think we can raise prices on a market by market basis," Marino said.

Anheuser-Busch, maker of Bud Light and Budweiser, also confirmed that its prices are going up. The brewer said it is raising

prices on most of its beers — in most regions — this fall.

"The markets have been assessed, and we'll be acting on a by-market, by-brand and by-package basis," the company said in a statement.

The two brewing giants

control 80 percent of the American beer market.

The price increases are part of a strategy by the two companies to protect profits rather than market share, said Harry Schuhmacher,

See **BEER**, Agribusiness 2

MARKET SUMMARY

NYSE			AMEX			NASDAQ		
MOST ACTIVE (\$1 OR MORE)			MOST ACTIVE (\$1 OR MORE)			MOST ACTIVE (\$1 OR MORE)		
Name	Vol(00)	Last Chg	Name	Vol(00)	Last Chg	Name	Vol(00)	Last Chg
Citigrp	9156546	5.00 -23	Sinovac	447586	9.71 +3.39	ETrade	3195014	1.76 +12
FannieMae	h2272329	1.93 -11	Hemisphrx	206789	2.22 +20	PwShs	QQQ834481	40.03 -41
SPDR	1603103	102.46 -92	PSCrudeDL	81891	4.48 -22	Intel	517377	20.32 +07
BkofAm	1502063	17.59 -39	BootsCoots	49451	1.52 +23	Microsoft	477312	24.65 +03
FredMac h	1170462	2.29 -11	Rentech	41064	1.92 -11	Popular	357483	2.15 -07

GAINERS (\$2 OR MORE)			GAINERS (\$2 OR MORE)			GAINERS (\$2 OR MORE)					
Name	Last Chg	%Chg	Name	Last Chg	%Chg	Name	Last Chg	%Chg			
MarvelE	48.37	+9.72	+25.1	Sinovac	9.71	+3.39	+53.6	PeopEduc	3.20	+1.48	+86.0
Satyam	6.66	+1.18	+21.5	LazKap	2.96	+34	+13.0	HelicosBio	2.80	+1.05	+60.0
KKR Fn	3.86	+6.1	+18.8	AlphaPro	4.95	+56	+12.8	AuthenTec	2.85	+7.2	+33.8
RPC	9.14	+8.8	+10.7	SagaCm rs	14.25	+1.35	+10.5	Sequenom	6.39	+1.11	+21.0
CitiSP12-10	12.38	+1.16	+10.3	Hemisphrx	2.22	+20	+9.9	ChinaTInfo	8.42	+1.44	+20.6

LOSERS (\$2 OR MORE)			LOSERS (\$2 OR MORE)			LOSERS (\$2 OR MORE)					
Name	Last Chg	%Chg	Name	Last Chg	%Chg	Name	Last Chg	%Chg			
CitiGold14 n	9.19	-2.06	-18.3	Westmrd	8.50	-1.29	-13.2	ParkOh	7.37	-1.23	-14.3
FredM pfQ	2.75	-4.5	-14.1	Velocity rs	3.05	-4.0	-11.6	Innotrac	2.58	-4.2	-14.0
LIN TV h	3.50	-5.2	-12.9	SunLink	2.21	-2.8	-11.2	SRI Surg	2.00	-3.0	-13.0
StdPac	3.63	-5.1	-12.3	UnivPwr	2.19	-2.0	-8.4	Hurco	16.67	-2.28	-12.0
FMae pfG	3.20	-4.2	-11.6	Daxor	11.85	-9.5	-7.4	ACMoore If	3.48	-4.7	-11.9

DIARY			DIARY			DIARY		
Name	Last Chg	%Chg	Name	Last Chg	%Chg	Name	Last Chg	%Chg
Advanced	811		Advanced	234		Advanced	759	
Declined	2,241		Declined	318		Declined	1,959	
Unchanged	90		Unchanged	56		Unchanged	120	
Total issues	3,142		Total issues	608		Total issues	2,838	
New Highs	59		New Highs	25		New Highs	33	
New Lows	3		New Lows	2		New Lows	10	
Volume	5,279,305,476		Volume	197,897,931		Volume	2,227,217,416	

INDEXES

11,790.17	6,469.95	Dow Jones Industrials	9,496.28	-47.92	-50	+8.20	-17.74
5,259.34	2,134.21	Dow Jones Transportation	3,667.16	-56.13	-1.51	+3.68	-28.14
486.64	288.66	Dow Jones Utilities	373.35	-3.73	-99	+7.0	-21.81
8,466.12	4,181.75	NYSE Composite	6,643.24	-65.80	-98	+15.39	-20.74
2,090.73	1,130.47	Amex Index	1,670.22	-15.82	-94	+19.51	-19.67
2,413.11	1,265.52	Nasdaq Composite	2,009.06	-19.71	-97	+27.40	-15.14
1,303.04	666.79	S&P 500	1,020.62	-8.31	-81	+12.99	-20.44
13,324.87	6,772.29	Wilshire 5000	10,512.49	-90.54	-85	+15.69	-19.90
761.78	342.59	Russell 2000	572.07	-7.79	-134	+14.54	-22.64

STOCKS OF LOCAL INTEREST

AlliantEgy	1.50	13	26.34	-45	-9.7	Kaman	.56	15	20.73	-57	+14.3
AlliantTch	...	16	77.28	-65	-9.9	Keycorp	.04	...	6.66	-0.2	-21.8
AmCasino	.42	...	16.61	-59	-92.2	LeeEnt h	...	...	1.81	-1.6	-341.5
Aon Corp	.60	22	41.76	-30	-8.6	MicronT	...	...	7.37	-1.9	+179.2
BallardPw	...	...	1.72	-0.7	+52.2	OfficeMax	...	...	11.31	-2.4	+48.0
BkofAm	.04	48	17.59	-39	+24.9	RockTen	.40	11	51.29	-5.7	+50.1
ConAgra	.76	10	20.53	+26	+24.4	Sensient	.76	14	26.07	-1.7	+9.2
Costco	.72	20	50.98	-79	-2.9	SkyWest	.16	10	15.45	-2.1	-16.9
Diebold	1.04	25	30.17	-28	+7.4	Terady	...	...	8.25	...	+95.5
DukeEngy	.961	16	15.49	-12	+3.2	Tuppwr	.88	15	36.99	-4.3	+63.0
DukeRly	.68	48	11.52	-40	+5.1	US Bancrp	.20	27	22.62	+1.9	-9.6
DukePac	.741	24	36.20	-44	+3.9	Valhi	.40	...	9.06	-4.0	-15.3
Heinz	1.68	14	38.50	+05	+2.4	WalMart	1.09	15	50.87	-2.6	-9.3
HewlettP	.32	14	44.89	+13	+23.7	WashFed	.20	...	14.84	-4.4	-8.8
HomeDp	.90	20	27.29	-40	+18.5	WellsFargo	.20	35	27.52	+2.2	-6.6
Idacorp	1.20	12	28.48	-51	-3.3	ZionBcp	.04m	...	17.68	-4.4	-27.9

HOW TO READ THE REPORT

Name: Stocks are listed alphabetically by the company's full name (not its abbreviation). Company names made up of initials appear at the beginning of each letter's list.

Div: Current annual dividend rate paid on stock, based on latest quarterly or semiannual declaration, unless otherwise footnoted.

Last: Price stock was trading at when exchange closed for the day.

Chg: Loss or gain for the day. No change indicated by ... mark.

Fund Name: Name of mutual fund and family.

Sell: Net asset value, or price at which fund could be sold.

Chg: Daily net change in the NAV.

Stock Footnotes: cc - PE greater than 99. dd - Loss in last 12 mos. d - New 52-wk low during trading day. g - Dividend in Canadian \$. Stock price in U.S.\$. n - New issue in past 52 wks. q - Closed-end mutual fund; no PE calculated. s - Split or stock dividend of 25 pct or more in last 52 wks. Div begins with date of split or stock dividend. u - New 52-wk high during trading day. v - Trading halted on primary market. Unless noted, dividend rates are annual disbursements based on last declaration. pf - Preferred. pp - Holder owes installment(s) of purchase price. rt - Rights. un - Units. wd - When distributed. wi - When issued. wt - Warrants. ww - With warrants. xw - Without warrants.

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Mutual Fund Footnotes: e - Ex-capital gains distribution. f - Previous day's quote. n - No-load fund. p - Fund assets used to pay distribution costs. r - Redemption fee or contingent deferred sales load may apply. s - Stock dividend or split. t - Both p and r. x - Ex-cash dividend.

Source: The Associated Press. Sales figures are unofficial.

COMMODITIES REPORT

CLOSING FUTURES

Mon	Commodity	High	Low	Close	Change
Aug	Live cattle	84.50	81.65	82.68	-1.98
Oct	Live cattle	86.70	86.00	86.68	-0.03
Aug	Feeder cattle	97.90	97.20	97.25	-0.90
Sep	Feeder cattle	97.75	97.10	97.43	-0.63
Oct	Feeder cattle	98.40	97.85	98.03	-0.53
Oct	Lean hogs	48.60	47.33	48.15	+0.08
Dec	Lean hogs	46.65	45.75	46.23	-0.23
Aug	Pork belly	76.50	74.55	76.25	+2.00
Feb	Pork belly	...	...	76.25	...
Sep	Wheat	471.00	455.00	471.00	+4.00
Dec	Wheat	501.50	481.00	498.75	+3.50
Sep	KC Wheat	506.50	488.00	505.00	+5.00
Dec	KC Wheat	524.00	503.00	520.75	+4.00
Sep	MPS Wheat	525.00	507.50	521.25	-0.25
Dec	MPS Wheat	543.25	523.25	538.00	-2.00
Sep	Corn	326.00	315.00	326.25	+5.25
Dec	Corn	330.50	320.00	329.75	+7.75
Sep	Soybeans	1108.00	1097.50	1100.00	-35.75
Nov	Soybeans	983.50	968.00	979.50	-31.50
Aug	BFP Milk	11.23	11.21	11.23	+0.01
Sep	BFP Milk	12.32	12.25	12.28	-0.09
Oct	BFP Milk	12.51	12.41	12.48	-0.14
Nov	BFP Milk	13.00	12.86	12.95	-0.03
Dec	BFP Milk	13.14	13.02	13.13	+0.01
Oct	Sugar	24.48	23.35	24.39	+0.87
Jan	Sugar	24.00	24.00	25.32	+1.12
Sep	B-Pound	1.6329	1.6182	1.6260	-0.009
Dec	B-Pound	1.6327	1.6180	1.6255	-0.013
Sep	J-Yen	1.0808	1.0690	1.0753	+0.069
Dec	J-Yen	1.0813	1.0705	1.0763	+0.073
Sep	Euro-currency	1.4368	1.4256	1.4319	+0.032
Dec	Euro-currency	1.4366	1.4287	1.4320	+0.034
Sep	Canada dollar	.9171	.9013	.9119	-0.030
Dec	Canada dollar	.9169	.9016	.9118	-0.032
Sep	U.S. dollar	78.64	78.03	78.29	-0.10
Aug	Comex gold	960.2	943.1	950.5	-7.0
Oct	Comex gold	962.1	944.3	951.5	-7.3
Sep	Comex silver	14.92	14.54	14.88	+0.09
Dec	Comex silver	14.95	14.55	14.89	+0.08
Sep	Treasury bond	121.20	119.29	120.31	+0.21
Dec	Treasury bond	119.28	118.22	119.25	+0.22
Sep	Coffee	122.00	118.60	120.90	-0.20
Dec	Coffee	122.70	120.30	122.30	...
Sep	Cocoa	184.1	179.2	180.6	-1.4
Dec	Cocoa	185.0	183.1	182.5	-1.3
Oct	Cotton	57.69	55.50	57.76	+1.46
Dec	Cotton	59.79	57.49	59.74	+1.40
Oct	Crude oil	73.36	69.13	69.55	-3.19
Sep	Unleaded gas	2.0700	1.9551	1.9576	-0.042
Sep	Heating oil	1.8715	1.7610	1.7800	-0.0803
Sep	Natural gas	3.084	2.914	2.914	-0.059

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BEANS

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

Pintos, no quote, new crop great northers, no quote
Pinks, no quote, new crop small reds, no quote, new crop.
Prices are given by Rangens in Buhl. Prices current Aug. 26.
Other Idaho bean prices are collected weekly by Bean Market News, U.S. Department of Agriculture Pintos, not established great northers, not established small whites, not established pinks, not established small reds, not established. Quotes current Aug. 26.

GRAINS

Valley Grains
Prices for wheat per bushel: mixed grain, oats, corn and beans per hundred weight. Prices subject to change without notice.
Soft white wheat, \$3.77 barley, \$6.20 oats, \$6.50
corn, \$1.90 (15 percent moisture). Prices are given daily by Rangens in Buhl. Prices current Aug. 26.
Barley, \$5.75 (48-lb. minimum) spot delivery in Twin Falls and Gooding, no quote (Twin Falls only). Prices quoted by Land O'Lakes Inc. in Twin Falls. Prices current Aug. 26.

OGDEN - White wheat 4.40 (steady) 11.5 percent winter 4.33 (up 5) 14 percent spring 4.80 (steady)
Barley 5.25 (down 10)
PORTLAND - White wheat 4.80 (down 5) 11.5 percent winter 5.25-5.40 (up 15 to down 5) 14 percent spring 6.11 (down 4)
NAMPA - White wheat cwt 6.47 (down 3); bushel 3.88 (down 2)

CHEESE

Cheddar cheese prices on the Chicago Mercantile Exchange
Barrels: \$1.3250, -.0150; Blocks: \$1.3525, -.0150

POTATOES

CHICAGO (AP) - USDA - Major potato markets FOB shipping points Friday.
Russet Burbanks Idaho 50-lb cartons 70 count: 100 count. Baled 5-10 lb film bags (non Size A).
Russet Norkotals Idaho 50-lb cartons 70 count: 100 count. Baled 5-10 lb film bags (non Size A).
Russet Norkotals Wisconsin 50-lb cartons: 100 count. Baled 5-10 lb film bags (non Size A).
Russet Norkotals Washington 50-lb cartons 70 count 8.00-9.00: 100 count 7.00-8.00.
Baled 5-10 lb film bags (non Size A) 5.00-5.50.
Wisconsin Norkotals 50-lb cartons 70 count 10.00-10.50: 100 count 9.00.
Baled 5-10 lb film bags (non Size A) 6.00-6.50.
Round Reds 50-lb sacks Size A Wisconsin 9.00-9.50.
Round Reds 50-lb cartons Size A Minnesota N. Dakota.
Round Whites 50-lb sacks Size A Wisconsin 15.00.

LIVESTOCK

POCATELLO (AP) - Idaho Farm Bureau Intermountain Livestock Report on Monday.
LIVESTOCK AUCTION - Lewiston Livestock Market on Wednesday Utility and commercial cows 42.00-48.00, canner and cutters 37.00-42.00 heavy feeder steers 88.00-103.00 light feeder steers 95.00-112.00 stocker steers 100.00-115.00 heavy holstein feeder steers n/a light holstein feeder steers n/a feeder heifers 80.00-90.00 light feeder heifers 85.00-95.00 stocker heifers 90.00-109.00 slaughter bulls 50.00-59.00 baby calves 100-185/hd 92-96 weaner pigs 35-55
Remarks: Cattle and sheep steady. Hogs 5-b higher.

METALS/MONEY

By The Associated Press
Selected world gold prices, Monday.
London morning fixing: Closed for holiday.
London afternoon fixing: Closed for holiday.
NY Handy & Harman: \$948.50 off \$700.
NY Handy & Harman fabricated: \$1024.38 off \$756.
NY Engelhard: \$971.86 off \$5.91.
NY Engelhard fabricated: \$1023.25 off \$6.36.
NY Merc. gold Aug. Mon \$951.70 off \$5.30.
NY HSBC Bank USA 4 p.m. Mon. \$951.00 off \$6.50.

NEW YORK (AP) - Handy & Harman metal Monday \$14,780 off \$0.010.
H&H fabricated \$17,736 off \$0.012.
The morning bulletin price for silver in London holiday.
Engelhard \$14,680 off \$
Engelhard fabricated \$17,616 off \$0.048.
NY Merc silver spot month Monday \$14,907 up \$0.123.

Bovine TB creates hassles, few losses for ranchers

By Josh Funk
Associated Press writer

OMAHA, Neb. — Bovine tuberculosis has created costly problems for the cattle industry in states where the disease has appeared, but it appears to be a manageable threat.

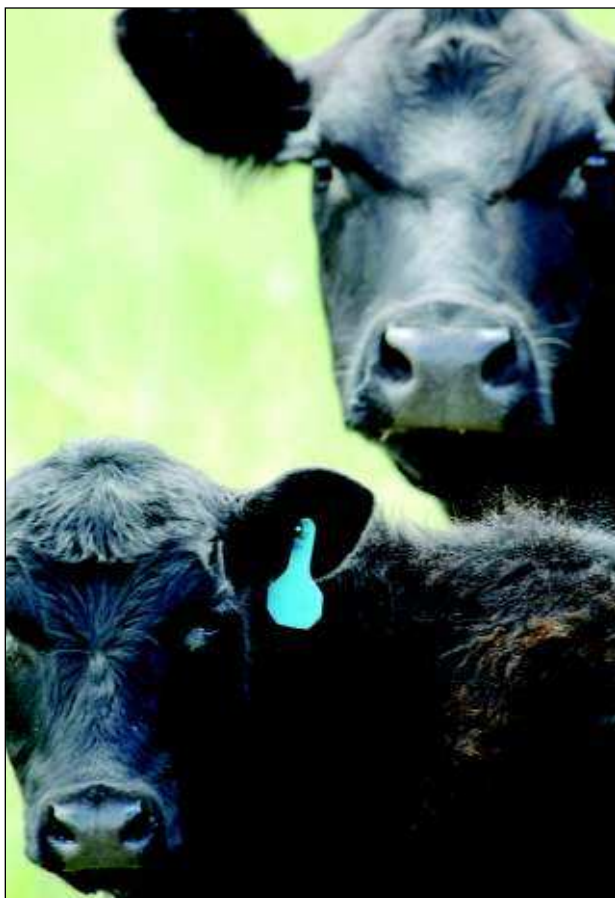
Nebraska and Texas are investigating positive cases of bovine tuberculosis to determine whether there has been an outbreak of the disease already confirmed in California, Minnesota, Michigan and New Mexico. The disease is considered untreatable in cattle, so both infected and uninfected animals in a herd usually are killed when bovine tuberculosis is found.

But cattlemen and others say few cases have been confirmed and the disease is proving more of a nuisance than a real threat to their roughly \$60 billion industry.

"The fear and the phobia that's been caused by all of this has been much more damaging than anything to do with the disease," said Bim Nelson, who runs Bassett Livestock Auction in north-central Nebraska, where two cases of the disease were found in one herd.

For cattlemen in states where the disease is present, the biggest problem related to bovine tuberculosis is the cost and hassle of testing cattle before they are shipped over state lines. On average, testing adds \$5 to \$15 per head to the cattle industry's costs.

"From a total-industry standpoint, it's a nuisance



AP photo

A cow/calf pair in Rock County, Neb. Some ranchers in Nebraska are starting to feel more at ease following negative tests for a deadly disease some had worried might dampen the already-soft cattle market.

issue," said Tom Talbot, president of the California Cattlemen trade group. "But for some producers, it's a major problem."

Still, Nebraska would prefer to keep its official tuberculosis-free designation to avoid additional testing requirements. It has tested 10,500 cattle since June with no new cases found. While an additional 6,000 to 7,000

cattle must be tested before the state can be cleared, most in the state are optimistic.

"I feel better than I did two months ago," Nebraska state veterinarian Dennis Hughes said.

The infected herd in Nebraska has yet to be slaughtered, and 22 other herds remain quarantined pending testing.

In states where the disease

has been around longer, cattlemen say the goal should be to contain it, not eliminate it, and they hope to persuade the U.S. Department of Agriculture to change its approach and update the decades-old rules that govern the agency's response to bovine tuberculosis.

The cattlemen say eradication is impossible given the bacteria's presence in wildlife and cattle in other countries, particularly Mexico, but it may take years to change the regulations.

"We will not eradicate this disease, but we can get it under control," said Bill Van Dam of the Western Milk Producers, which represents 60 percent of the milk production in California.

Bovine tuberculosis causes severe coughing, fatigue, emaciation and debilitation in cattle and results in reduced milk and meat production. Spread by nose-to-nose contact and the inhalation of bacteria, it usually progresses slowly.

Humans can catch the disease from contact with infected cattle, but that's rare. As long as meat is properly cooked and milk pasteurized, experts agree there is little danger of bovine tuberculosis spreading through food.

California, Michigan, Minnesota and New Mexico face federal restrictions because of outbreaks of bovine tuberculosis. Shipments of cattle across state lines are delayed at least 72 hours so the animals can be tested.

Cheese

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made locally, in bathtubs. Many consumers don't know that what they are eating is not regulated, he said.

"The risk of bacteria is worrisome," said Steve Lyle, a spokesman for the California Department of Food and Agriculture. "This is something our agency works on year around. We believe it's a significant problem."

But that doesn't mean the cheese is unpopular. And many people know its provenance is illegal but think it tastes better. Jonathan Gold, a Pulitzer Prize-winning food critic and author, said he prefers it.

"I will admit that there are some groceries, the details I'm not going to come close to giving you, where you do kind of buy

cheese under the table, and it tastes better," Gold said. "If you're the sort of person who believes milk has a soul to it, which I guess I am, then pasteurizing is taking something away."

As for the potential danger posed by unpasteurized cheese, Gold added: "Life is filled with risks."

Lyle said unpasteurized cheese and raw milk can be sold as long as they are regulated and licensed. But he said the illegal cheese is not inspected, making it difficult to tell whether it was made in safe, sanitary conditions.

He said his and other agencies have launched task forces and sweeps to tackle the problem.

"If it's not licensed and inspected we can't vouch for the cleanliness of the product," Lyle said.

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Center

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As the state's land trust college, the university is charged with managing 12 research and extension centers in Idaho — the centers help farmers develop more efficient farming methods and often conduct research into seeds and animal medicines that fight against potentially catastrophic crop and herd diseases.

Tim Corder, R-Mountain Home, said the livestock center will verify research — not duplicate it.

"Science says we have to duplicate our results in a different environment to verify if it's correct, otherwise we have a problem," he said. "What we plan on doing is determining which types of research should be conducted that other researchers may not be doing, and in some cases working with them to verify it."

But people like Haynes said they are getting mixed messages.

For example, Hammel said during a stakeholders' meeting last week that the

college will shed any duplicate programs, which are offered through other colleges or the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Agricultural Research Service.

"Part of the recommendation is to consolidate pro-

grams with other research centers or universities that might already be conducting similar research," he said. "We simply can't afford to duplicate our efforts."

Several nearby colleges, such as Utah State University, Oregon State

University and Washington State University already offer research on confined animal operations.

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On Friday, the 15th day of January, 2010, at the hour of 10:30 a.m. of said day at the front entrance of the Twin Falls County Courthouse, 425 Shoshone Street North, County of Twin Falls, State of Idaho, TITLEFACT, INC., an Idaho corporation, as trustee, will sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, for cash, in lawful money of the United States, all payable at the time of sale, the following described real property, situated in the County of Twin Falls, State of Idaho, and described as follows, to-wit:

Lot 1, Block 1 of CANYON MEADOW ESTATES, according to the official plat thereof, filed in Book 20 of Plats at Page(s) 9, Official Records of Twin Falls County, Idaho.

Sometimes known as: **3998 North 3450 East, Kimberly, Idaho 83341.**

Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty regarding title, possession or encumbrances to satisfy the obligation secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the deed of trust executed by **GABE MARTINEZ and TANYA MARTINEZ**, husband and wife, grantor to TITLEFACT, INC., as trustee for the benefit and security of FIRST FEDERAL SAVINGS BANK OF TWIN FALLS, recorded July 30, 2008, as Instrument No. 2008-017205, Mortgage records of Twin Falls County, Idaho.

The default for which this sale is to be made is failure to pay: Monthly payments, collection charges and late charges through August 24, 2009, all in the amount of \$4,026.36; and the unpaid principal balance owing as of August 24, 2009, on the obligation secured by said deed of trust is \$60,451.81, plus interest, late charges and foreclosure costs and fees.

DATED: August 25, 2009.

TITLEFACT, INC., Trustee
By R. TODD BLASS, Vice-President
COLEMAN, RITCHIE & ROBERTSON
Attorneys for Trustee
Residing at Twin Falls, Idaho

PUBLISH: September 1, 8, 15 and 22, 2009

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2010 BUDGET NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING BLISS HIGHWAY DISTRICT #2

A Public Hearing for consideration of the Proposed Budget for the fiscal year that begins October 1, 2009 will be held at the Bliss Highway District Building at 180 S 2nd Ave on September 8th at 7:00 PM. The Proposed Budget to be considered is reflected below. The public is invited to attend and make comments.
Charleen Thompson, Clerk

REVENUE	2010 BUDGET
Property Taxes	78,522.00
Ag Exempt/Sales Tax	3,874.00
Highway Users	182,327.00
Sales Taxes	8,300.00
Earnings on Investments	0.00
Miscellaneous	650.00
TOTAL REVENUE	\$273,673.00
EXPENDITURES	2010 BUDGET
Administration Salaries	7,536.00
Administration Expenses	2,500.00
Maintenance Salaries	73,687.00
Group Health Insurance	5,748.00
Payroll Taxes	6,500.00
Retirement Expense	7,900.00
Professional Fees	3,700.00
Liability Insurance	7,701.00
Utilities	6,500.00
Supplies	10,057.00
Fuel & Oil	18,000.00
Repairs & Maintenance	18,970.00
Road Oiling Expenses	93,000.00
Road & Bridge Repair	11,874.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$273,673.00

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The Project Manual, Drawings and Exhibits may be examined and/or obtained at the following locations:

1) City of Burley Water Department, 1559 Albion Avenue, Burley Idaho

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On Tuesday, the 29th day of December, 2009, at the hour of 10:30 a.m. of said day at the front entrance of the Twin Falls County Courthouse, 425 Shoshone Street North, County of Twin Falls, State of Idaho, TITLEFACT, INC., an Idaho corporation, as trustee, will sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, for cash, in lawful money of the United States, all payable at the time of sale, the following described real property, situated in the County of Twin Falls, State of Idaho, and described as follows, to-wit:

Township 10 South, Range 18 East, Boise Meridian, Twin Falls County, Idaho

Section 20: That part of Lot 2, SUMMERS SUBDIVISION, according to the official plat thereof, recorded in Book 4 of plats, page 9, records of Twin Falls County, Idaho, and more particularly described as follows:

COMMENCING at the Southeast corner of said Section 20; THENCE South 89°57'41" West along the Southerly line of Section 20, a distance of 1978.45 feet;

THENCE North 00°31'30" West along the centerline of Spruce Street a distance of 668.42 feet to the Southwest corner of said Lot 2;

THENCE North 00°31'30" West a distance of 357.88 feet; THENCE North 89°58'30" East a distance of 124.77 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING;

THENCE North 00°31'45" West a distance of 100.00 feet; THENCE North 89°59'00" East a distance of 94.76 feet; THENCE South 00°32'00" East a distance of 100.00 feet; THENCE South 89°58'30" West a distance of 94.77 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING.

Sometimes known as: 609 Van Buren Street, Kimberly, Idaho 83341

Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty regarding title, possession or encumbrances to satisfy the obligation secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the deed of trust executed by MARK BENEDICT, a married man dealing with his sole and separate property, grantor to TITLEFACT, INC., as trustee for the benefit and security of FIRST FEDERAL SAVINGS BANK OF TWIN FALLS, recorded November 21, 2005, as Instrument No. 2005-026566, mortgage records of Twin Falls County, Idaho.

The default for which this sale is to be made is failure to pay: Monthly payments, collection charges and late charges through August 5, 2009, all in the amount of \$3,540.74;

and the unpaid principal balance owing as of August 5, 2009, on the obligation secured by said deed of trust is \$84,520.97, plus interest, late charges and foreclosure costs.

DATED: August 11, 2009.

TITLEFACT, INC., Trustee

By R. TODD BLASS, Vice-President

COLEMAN, RITCHIE & ROBERTSON

Attorneys for Trustee

Residing at Twin Falls, Idaho

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

TS No. 09-0107468 Title Order No. 090530551 Parcel No. RPG10120040020 The following described property will be sold at public auction to the highest bidder, payable in lawful money of the United States, in the lobby of Land Title & Escrow, Inc. located at 706 Main St., Gooding, ID 83330., on 01/04/2010 at 11:00 am, (recognized local time) for the purpose of foreclosing that certain Deed of Trust recorded 09/26/2007 as Instrument Number 223549, and executed by JOSE LUIS GALVAN, A MARRIED MAN AS HIS SOLE AND SEPARATE PROPERTY, as Grantor(s), in favor of MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC., as Beneficiary, to RECONTRUST COMPANY, N.A., the Current Trustee of record, covering the following real property located in Gooding County, state of Idaho: LOT 2 BLOCK 4 OF LITTLE WOOD ADDITION, A RESUBDIVISION OF A PORTION OF LOTS 4, 5, AND 6 OF WEST GOODING ACREAGE, GOODING COUNTY, IDAHO ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF, RECORDED APRIL 11, 1978 AS INSTRUMENT NO. 69807 IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY RECORDER OF SAID COUNTY. The Trustee has no knowledge of a more particular description of the above referenced real property, but for purpose of compliance with Idaho Code, Section 60-113, the Trustee has been informed that the street address of, 1120 UTAH ST, GOODING, ID 83330-1751 is sometimes associated with said real property. Bidders must be prepared to tender the trustee the full amount of the bid at the sale in the form of cash, or a cashier's check drawn on a state or federally insured savings institution. Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty, express or implied, regarding title, possession or encumbrances to satisfy the obligation secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in that certain Deed of Trust. The default for which this sale is to be made is: Failure to pay the monthly payment due 03/01/2009 of principal, interest and impounds and subsequent installments due thereafter, plus late charges, with interest currently accruing at 6.375% per annum; together with all subsequent sums advanced by beneficiary pursuant to the terms and conditions of said Deed of Trust, and any supplemental modifications thereto. The principal balance owing as of this date on said obligation is \$147,785.96, plus interest, costs and expenses actually incurred in enforcing the obligations thereunder and in this sale, together with any unpaid and /or accruing real property taxes, and/or assessments, attorneys' fees, Trustees' fees and costs, and any other amount advanced to protect said security, as authorized in the promissory note secured by the aforementioned Deed of Trust. Therefore, the Beneficiary elects to sell, or cause said trust property to be sold, to satisfy said obligation. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THIS FIRM IS ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE, AND THAT THE DEBT MAY BE DISPUTED. THE ABOVE GRANTORS ARE NAMED TO COMPLY WITH SECTION 45-1506(4)(a) IDAHO CODE. NO REPRESENTATION IS MADE THAT THEY ARE, OR ARE NOT, PRESENTLY RESPONSIBLE FOR THIS OBLIGATION. DATED: 08/24/2009 Name and Address of the Current Trustee is: RECONTRUSTCOMPANY, N.A. 1800 Tapo Canyon Rd., CA6-914-01-94 SIMI VALLEY, CA 80028-1821 PHONE: (800) 281-8219 RECONTRUST COMPANY, N.A. Successor Trustee Sabrina Stephens, Team Member ASAP# 3239030

Information concerning the foreclosure action may be obtained from the Trustee, whose telephone number is (208) 785-2515. According to the Trustee's records, the street address of 868 3rd Avenue West, Twin Falls, Idaho is sometimes associated with said property.

Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to satisfy the obligations secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the Deed of Trust executed by Dolores Bennett, as Grantor(s), to First American Title Co., as Trustee, for the benefit and security of Robert Meyers and Kathi Meyers, recorded July 17, 2007, as Instrument No. 2007017557, all records of Twin Falls County, Idaho.

The default for which this sale is to be made is the failure to pay monthly payments of \$395.00 for the months of August through November, 2007, and January, 2008 through January, 2009.

The above Grantor(s) are named to comply with Section 45-1506 (4)(a), Idaho Code. No representation is made that they are, or are not, presently responsible for this obligation.

As of January 15, 2009 there is due and owing on the loan an unpaid principal balance of \$30,000.00, accrued interest in the amount of \$8,688.65 for a total amount due of \$38,688.65. Interest accrues on the Note at the rate of 15.000% per annum with a per diem rate of \$19.08 after January 15, 2009. Interest continues to accrue. All delinquencies are now due together with any late charges, advances to protect the security, and fees and costs associated with this foreclosure. The Beneficiary elects to sell or cause said property to be sold to satisfy said obligation. Information concerning the foreclosure action may be obtained from the Trustee, whose telephone number is (208) 785-2515.

DATED: June 22, 2009

First American Title Company, Inc.

By: Shauna Romrell, Trust Officer

PUBLISH: August 11, 18, 25 and September 1, 2009

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

UNDER DEED OF TRUST Title Order No: 4208816 T.S. No.: T09-52892-ID NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT FIRST AMERICAN TITLE INSURANCE COMPANY C/O CR TITLE SERVICES INC., the duly appointed Successor Trustee, will on 12-03-2009 at 11:00 AM, of said day, at the offices of: First American Title 260 3rd Ave North, Twin Falls, ID 83301, sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, for cash, in lawful money of the United States, all payable at the time of sale, the following described real property, situated in the County of Twin Falls, State of Idaho, to-wit: LOT 12 IN BLOCK 7 OF MAGIC VALLEY RANCH PHASE 6, A REPLAT, RESUBDIVISION & RENUMBERING OF A PORTION OF BLOCKS 7, 8, 9, & 10 OF MAGIC VALLEY RANCH SUBDIVISION, TWIN FALLS COUNTY, IDAHO, RECORDED IN BOOK 19 OF PLATS, PAGE 23, AND AFFIDAVIT AUTHORIZING CHANGE OF PLAT, RECORDED DECEMBER 29, 2004, AS INSTRUMENT NO. 2004027701. The Trustee has no knowledge of a more particular description of the above referenced real property, but for purposes of compliance with Section 60-113 Idaho Code, the Trustee has been informed that the address of: 153 LINDEN AVENUE TWIN FALLS, ID 83301, is sometimes associated with said real property. Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty regarding title, possession or encumbrances to satisfy the obligation secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the Deed of Trust executed by: STEPHEN RAY AND PAULA RAY, HUSBAND AND WIFE, As Grantors, To: FIRST AMERICAN TITLE INSURANCE COMPANY C/O CR TITLE SERVICES INC., As successor Trustee, for the benefit and security of "MERS" IS MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC., As Beneficiary, dated 06-04-2007, recorded 06-08-2007, as Instrument No. 2007-013830, records of Twin Falls County, Idaho. Please Note: The above Grantor(s) are named to comply with Section 45-1506(4)(A), Idaho Code, no representation is made that they are, or are not, presently responsible for this obligation set forth herein. The total amount of the unpaid balance of the obligation secured by the property to be sold and reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of this Notice is: \$166,442.78. All delinquencies are now due, together with unpaid and accruing taxes, assessments, trustee's fees, attorney's fees, costs and advances made to protect the security associated with this foreclosure. The Beneficiary elects to sell or cause the trust property to be sold to satisfy said obligation. Dated: July 21, 2009 FIRST AMERICAN TITLE INSURANCE COMPANY C/O CR TITLE SERVICES INC. 877-578-0472 MARIA DE LA TORRE, ASST. SEC. Federal Law requires us to notify you that we are acting as a debt collector. If you are currently in a bankruptcy or have received a discharge in bankruptcy as to this obligation, this communication is intended for informational purposes only and is not an attempt to collect a debt in violation of the automatic stay or the discharge injunction. For sales information, please contact Priority Posting and Publishing at www.priorityposting.com or (714) 573-1965 P606230

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2009-2010

OAKLEY FREE LIBRARY DISTRICT, CASSIA COUNTY, IDAHO

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Trustees of the Oakley Free Library District, Cassia County, Idaho, will hold a public hearing for consideration of the proposed budget for the fiscal period October 1, 2009 to September 30, 2010, pursuant to the provisions of Section 33-2725, I.C., said hearing to be held at the Oakley Free Library, 185 East Main Street, Oakley, Idaho, at 8:00 p.m. on September 7, 2009. At said hearing, all interested persons may appear and show cause, if any they have, why said proposed budget should not be adopted.

PROPOSED EXPENDITURES

The following is an estimate set forth in said proposed budget of the total proposed expenditures of the Oakley Free Library District, Cassia County, Idaho, for the fiscal period October 1, 2009 to September 30, 2010.

Table with 3 columns: Category, 2008-09 Budget, 2009-10 Budget. Rows include Media, Building Maintenance, Contract Labor, Equipment, Insurance, Miscellaneous, Repairs, Supplies, Taxes, Utilities, Wages, and Total.

ESTIMATED REVENUE

The estimated revenue for the Oakley Free Library District, Cassia County, Idaho, for the fiscal period October 1, 2009 to September 30, 2010 is as follows:

Table with 3 columns: Category, 2008-09 Est Revenue, 2009-10 Est Revenue. Rows include Tax Levy, Property Tax Replacement, Other Income, and Total.

I, Ann Milton, chairman of the Board of Trustees of the Oakley Free Library District, Cassia County, Idaho, do hereby certify that the above is a true and correct statement of the proposed expenditures and revenues for the fiscal year 2009-2010, all of which have been tentatively approved and entered at length in the minutes of said district. I further certify that the Oakley Free Library District, Cassia County, Idaho did give notice for said hearing with notice having been posted and published at least ten days prior to the adoption of the budget by the Board of Trustees. Citizens are invited to attend the budget hearing concerning the entire budget. A copy of the proposed budget in detail is available at the Oakley Free Library for inspection during the following hours: 2:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays. Dated this 20th day of August, 2009. Secretary to the Board of Trustees

PUBLISH: August 25 and September 1, 2009

AMENDED NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

At 10:00 o'clock A.M. on October 22, 2009, in the Office of First American Title Company, 260 Third Avenue North, Twin Falls, Idaho, First American Title Company, Inc., as Trustee, will sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, for cash, in lawful money of the United States, all payable at the time of sale, the following described real property, situated in Twin Falls County, Idaho, and described as follows, to-wit: A PARCEL OF LAND IN LOT 4 IN BLOCK 1 OF WEST PARK SUBDIVISION, ACCORDING TO THE OFFICIAL PLAT THEREOF, FILED IN BOOK 4 OF PLATS AT PAGE 35, OFFICIAL RECORDS OF TWIN FALLS COUNTY, IDAHO, DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: BEGINNING AT A POINT ON THE SOUTH BOUNDARY OF LOT 4, FROM WHICH THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF SAID LOT BEARS SOUTH 85°09' EAST 159.4 FEET DISTANT; THENCE NORTH 85°09' WEST 50 FEET ALONG THE SOUTH BOUNDARY OF LOT 4; THENCE NORTH 4°51' EAST 124.3 FEET TO THE NORTH BOUNDARY OF LOT 4; THENCE SOUTH 85°09' EAST 50 FEET ALONG THE NORTH BOUNDARY OF LOT 4; THENCE SOUTH 4°51' WEST 124.3 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.

Information concerning the foreclosure action may be obtained from the Trustee, whose telephone number is (208) 785-2515. According to the Trustee's records, the street address of 868 3rd Avenue West, Twin Falls, Idaho is sometimes associated with said property.

Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to satisfy the obligations secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the Deed of Trust executed by Dolores Bennett, as Grantor(s), to First American Title Co., as Trustee, for the benefit and security of Robert Meyers and Kathi Meyers, recorded July 17, 2007, as Instrument No. 2007017557, all records of Twin Falls County, Idaho.

The default for which this sale is to be made is the failure to pay monthly payments of \$395.00 for the months of August through November, 2007, and January, 2008 through January, 2009.

The above Grantor(s) are named to comply with Section 45-1506 (4)(a), Idaho Code. No representation is made that they are, or are not, presently responsible for this obligation.

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DATED: June 22, 2009

First American Title Company, Inc.

By: Shauna Romrell, Trust Officer

PUBLISH: August 11, 18, 25 and September 1, 2009

NOTICE OF HEARING ON BUDGET ALBION HIGHWAY DISTRICT

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a budget hearing will be held at a special meeting of the Albion Highway District on the 2nd day of September 2009, at 8:00 AM at the Albion Fire Station located on the Corner of Main and Market Street, Albion, Idaho.

A copy of the ALBION HIGHWAY DISTRICT BUDGET FOR THE 2009-2010 year may be inspected at the office located at 988 East 1000 South, Albion, Idaho prior to the hearing. The Budget is:

ESTIMATED EXPENSES

Table with 2 columns: Category, Amount. Rows include Repairs and Maintenance, Administrative & General, Audit Expense, Insurance, Fuel & Oil, Road Maintenance, Maintenance - Howell Canyon Road, Supplies & Repairs, Snow Removal, and TOTAL ESTIMATED EXPENSES.

ESTIMATED REVENUE

Table with 2 columns: Category, Amount. Rows include National Forest Apport, Highway User Revenue, Interest Income, Miscellaneous Income, 2009 MAG Chloride Grant Funding (Chemical), Tax Roll Levy, and TOTAL ESTIMATED REVENUES.

A copy of the Budget for the ALBION HIGHWAY DISTRICT will be available for inspection at RBS CONSULTING INC. located at 988 East 1000 South from 9:00 o'clock AM to 4:00 PM, Monday through Friday.

At the Hearing, the Board of Commissioners of the ALBION HIGHWAY DISTRICT will explain the budget and hear any objections hereto.

Dated this 21st day of August 2008.

ALBION HIGHWAY DISTRICT

By George Kelley

Chairman

Board of Commissioners

PUBLISH: August 25 and September 1, 2009

Classified Deadlines

For line ads

Tues. - Sat. - 1 p.m.

the day before.

For Sun. & Mon.

2 p.m. Friday.

NOTICES

NOTICES

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF JEROME

Case No. CV2009-296
NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE

TREVOR MAKINSON and JONICA JOHNSON,
Plaintiffs

vs
ROSA DELIA CISNEROS, an individual; DOE 1, spouse of ROSA DELIA CISNEROS; and DOES II through XX, unknown claimants to the property commonly known as 207 5th Street, Hazelton, Jerome County, Idaho, and more particularly described as follows: That part of Block 38 of Lenz Addition, Hazelton Townsite, described as follows: Beginning at the Southwest corner of said Block 38; thence running Northerly on the West boundary of said Block a distance of 126 feet; thence running Easterly, parallel with the South boundary of said Block, a distance of 100 feet; thence running Southerly parallel with the West boundary of said Block a distance of 126 feet, to the South boundary of said Block; thence running Westerly on the said South boundary a distance of 100 feet, to the POINT OF BEGINNING.
Defendants.

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE

Under and by virtue of a Substitute Writ of Execution issued out of the District Court of the Fifth Judicial District of the State of Idaho, in and for the County of Jerome, Case No. CV2009-296, upon July 17, 2009, wherein Trevor Makinson and Jonica Johnson, Plaintiffs, obtained a Judgement, Order of Sale and Decree of Foreclosure against Rosa Delia Cisneros, Doe I (Spouse of Rosa Delia Cisneros), and Does II through XX, Defendants, and Defendant Rosa Delia Cisneros is indebted to the Plaintiff in the sum of \$27,686.86, plus interest, and that the Defendants Rosa Delia Cisneros, Doe I (Spouse of Rosa Delia Cisneros), and Does II through XX, shall be barred and foreclosed from all right, title, and interest in and to the below described property;

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN That on the 15th day of September, 2009, at the hour of 10 o'clock AM of said day, at 300 N Lincoln, Jerome County Courthouse, Jerome, Idaho, County of Jerome, State of Idaho, I will sell at public auction to the highest and best bidder, for cash or certified funds in lawful money of the United States of America, all of the right, title and interest of said Defendants Rosa Delia Cisneros, Doe I (Spouse of Rosa Delia Cisneros), and Does II through XX, in and to the following described real property, to satisfy the Plaintiffs' Judgment, with costs. Said real property is particularly described as follows:

That part of Block 38 of Lenz Addition, Hazelton Townsite, described as follows: Beginning at the Southwest corner of said Block 38; thence running Northerly on the West boundary of said Block a distance of 126 feet; thence running Easterly, parallel with the South boundary of said Block, a distance of 100 feet; thence running Southerly parallel with the West boundary of said Block a distance of 126 feet, to the South boundary of said Block; thence running Westerly on the said South boundary a distance of 100 feet, to the POINT OF BEGINNING.
The above-described property is commonly known as 207 5th Street, Hazelton, Idaho.

You are also notified that this parcel consists of less than twenty (20) acres and that Defendant Rosa Delia Cisneros and/or any junior lienholder may have the right to redeem the property sold hereunder for a period of six months in accordance with Idaho Code §11-401 et seq.
DATED This 11th day of August, 2009.
DOUGLAS McFALL
Sheriff of Jerome County
By Douglas J McFall
Sheriff

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

T.S. No. ID-08-193658-PJ On 11/25/2009, at 10:00:00 AM (recognized local time), at the following location in the County of JEROME, State of Idaho: In the front lobby of Land Title & Escrow located at 237 N. Lincoln, Jerome, ID 83338, Pioneer Lender Trustee Services, LLC an Idaho limited liability company, as Trustee by Quality Loan Services, as Attorney in Fact, as Trustee on behalf of The Bank of New York Trust Company, National Association, as Successor in Interest to JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association, as Trustee for the MLMI SURF Trust Series 2005-BC4 will sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, for cash, in lawful money of the United States, all payable at the time of sale, the following real property, situated in the County of JEROME State of Idaho, and described as follows: LOT 10 IN BLOCK 8 OF MAGIC MEADOWS NO. 3 SUBDIVISION, TO THE CITY OF JEROME, JEROME COUNTY, IDAHO, AS THE SAME IS PLATTED IN THE OFFICIAL PLAT THEREOF, NOW OF RECORD IN THE OFFICE OF THE RECORDER OF SAID COUNTY. The Trustee has no knowledge of a more particular description of the above referenced real property, but for purposes of compliance with Section 60-113 Idaho Code, the Trustee has been informed that the address of 709 19TH AVE E, JEROME, ID 83338 is sometimes associated with said real property. Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty regarding title, possession or encumbrances to satisfy the obligation secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the Deed of Trust executed by GORDON KEALAIKI AND TINA KEALAIKI, HUSBAND AND WIFE as Grantor/Trustor, in which MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC., AS NOMINEE FOR MILA, INC., is named as Beneficiary and FIRST AMERICAN TITLE COMPANY as Trustee and recorded 6/10/2005 as Instrument No. 2053063 in book xxx, page xxx of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of JEROME County, Idaho. Please Note: The above Grantors are named to comply with section 45-1506(4)(A), Idaho Code. No representation is made that they are, or are not, presently responsible for this obligation set forth herein. The Default for which this sale is to be made is the failure to pay when due, under Deed of Trust and Note dated 6/7/2005. The monthly installments of principal, interest, and impounds (if applicable) of \$801.84, due per month for the months of 5/1/2008 through 6/30/2009, and all subsequent installments until the date of sale or reinstatement. The principal balance owing as of this date on the obligation secured by said Deed of Trust is \$88,355.70 together with interest thereon at the current rate of 10.2000 per cent (%) per annum from 4/1/2008. All delinquent amounts are now due, together with accruing late charges, and interest, unpaid and accruing taxes, assessments, trustee's fees, attorney's fees, and any amounts advanced to protect the security associated with this foreclosure and that the beneficiary elects to sell or cause the trust property to be sold to satisfy said obligation. If the Trustee is unable to convey title for any reason, the successful bidder's sole and exclusive remedy shall be the return of monies paid to the Trustee, and the successful bidder shall have no further recourse. If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the deposit paid. The Purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagor, the Mortgagee, or the Mortgagee's Attorney. Date: 7/24/2009 By: Pioneer Lender Trustee Services, LLC an Idaho limited liability company, as Trustee by Quality Loan Services, as Attorney in Fact, as Trustee Quality Loan Service Corp. of Washington, as Agent 2141 5th Avenue San Diego, CA 92101 Tara Donzella, Assistant Vice President ***For Sale Information Call: 714-730-2727 or Login to: www.fidelityasap.com If you have previously been discharged through bankruptcy, you may have been released of personal liability for this loan in which case this letter is intended to exercise the note holder's rights against the real property only. THIS IS AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. As required by law, you are hereby notified that a negative credit report reflecting on your credit record may be submitted to a credit report agency if you fail to fulfill the terms of your credit obligations. ASAP# 3203818

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100 Announcements

101 Lost and Found

FOUND Adorable kittens (2), 1 gray with purple collar & 1 tabby, found NE of Jerome. Please claim soon, if not claimed free to good home. 208-324-3731

FOUND Beagle, female, in the Buhl area. Please call to identify 731-8528

FOUND Cat on 9th Ave E. in Twin Falls. Gray, declawed, 1 year old. Call 208-733-7838.

FOUND Dog at boat dock in Hagerman. Please call for description 208-539-1702 or 208-404-4977.

FOUND Dog: Red Heeler. Independence Lakes Trailhead. 505-401-8252

FOUND Female cattle dog E. of Shoshone on Hwy 26. Docked Tail. 208-886-7644

FOUND Long-haired Chihuahua on 19th Street in Burley on Aug. 27. Call Burley Animal Shelter 878-2258 or 878-8097.

FOUND Retriever mix, large, white female, with surgical stitches, on the corner of 3200 E & 3300 N. Twin Falls. 909-260-3757

FOUND set of keys. Middle of intersection of Wendell and Caswell. Has a master padlock. Please call 358-1477 to identify.

FOUND Turtle near Stadium and Carriage. 208-948-0408

LOST 5 year old daughter's brindle colored male Chihuahua. Wearing a collar in Shoshone. 320-6921.

LOST B/30 near Home Depot, brown leather purse, about 9"x4"x3" Reward. 208-320-7648

LOST Black/white Border Collie male puppy about 5 months old. Lost between Carey and Little Wood River area. Call Lewis Oneida 208-324-2098

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JUMBLE

Unscramble these four Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.

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FLOAFY

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Print your answer here:

Yesterday's Jumbles: TOOTH ASSAY EVOLVE VERIFY
Answer: What the postman was given when he rented the apartment — A "FLAT" RATE

THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME
by Mike Angiron and Jeff Kurek



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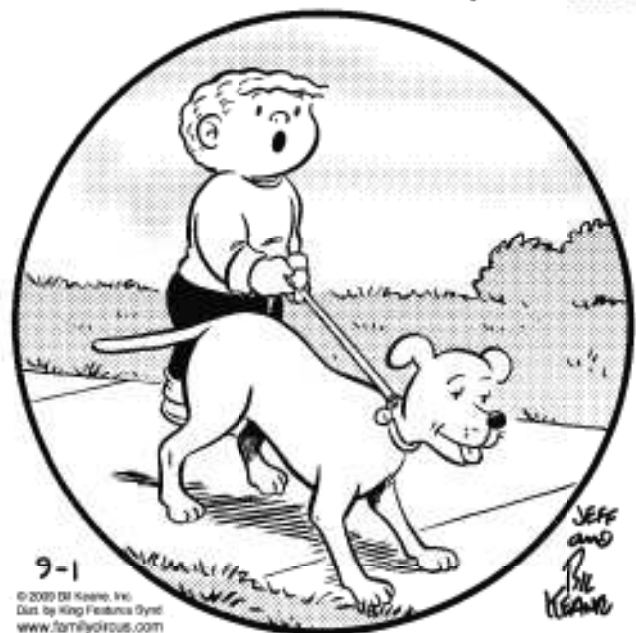
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THE FAMILY CIRCUS

By **Bil Keane**



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"Is it okay if Barfy takes me for a walk now?"

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BUHL New 3 bdrm, 2 bath, acreage, garage, AC, well, septic. No indoor pets/smoking. \$800/mo + \$800 dep. 312-5559

BURLEY 3 bdrm, 1 bath country home, no smoking. \$625 + dep. 678-8622 after 5:30pm or h mesg.

BURLEY 3 bdrm, 2 bath, 2 year old home across from schools. \$895/mo. + dep. 208-423-4557

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JEROME Country home 2 bdrm all appliances W/D. Water & garbage included. No pets \$900 + \$500 dep. 208-324-3068 or 420-4647

JEROME Large 2 bdrm, 1 bath country home. With appls. And W/D hookups. \$700/mo. + \$350 dep. NO smoking 208-324-2244

JEROME Lovely double wide, 2 bdrm, 2 bath, appliances, shed, covered patio, no smoking/pets. \$600 + \$400 dep. 208-324-2876

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SHOSHONE Rent/rent to own. New & remodeled, town or country, 3-6 bdrm. Builder 208-886-7138 ; Realtor 208-720-1670

Patience is stretched thin in doctors' waiting rooms

DEAR ABBY: Your advice to "Sick of Waiting in Denver" (June 25) will help a number of our patients. Physicians don't want frustrated and angry patients, and we don't plan our day expecting long waits. Your suggestion that when a doctor is running more than 15 minutes late, the next person should be warned is appropriate.

Your other suggestion to call the doctor's office an hour ahead of time to see if he/she is on schedule might not work. The physician might be on schedule, but a problem could arise that throws him/her off. Arriving at the office and finding the doctor horribly backed up after hearing that he was on schedule at the time of the phone call would be upsetting.

Unfortunately, I haven't found an easy solution to this in my 25 years of practice. It does help to focus on good manners and empathy, and to alert patients at the time of check-in if there's a problem, which allows them to return or reschedule. Of course, the physician conveying personally to his patients that their time is as important as his also goes a long way.

— **MARC SCHNEIDERMAN, M.D. PENNSYLVANIA**
DEAR DR. SCHNEIDERMAN: Amen to that, and thank you for saying so.

Read on for some of the comments I received from



DEAR ABBY
Jeanne Phillips

other patients:
DEAR ABBY: I find it interesting that the doctor's rights are prominently posted in the waiting room, e.g., co-pays are due before you see the doctor, if you don't cancel your appointment 24 hours in advance and you fail to show up, you will be billed for the appointment. But nowhere do you see the patients' rights posted.

As a patient I insist on one simple right — that the doctor see me within 15 minutes of the appointed time made by his/her staff. Last year I fired two doctors for keeping me waiting. In both cases I let the doctor know I would no longer be seeing them and why. One had the gall to tell me his patients EXPECTED to wait for him!

As patients, we enable doctors to get away with unprofessional behavior by not insisting on accountability. I am a professional, and time spent in a doctor's office is time taken away from my clients. My time is as valuable to me as the doctors' time is to them.

— **LARRY W. SUN CITY, ARIZ.**

DEAR ABBY: I suggest that whenever possible, patients should request the

first appointment in the morning or after lunch. The chances of being seen on time are greater at those times.

— **MAGGIE B. DANA POINT, CALIF.**

DEAR ABBY: My husband had an appointment with a physician who kept him waiting an hour in the waiting room and nearly another hour in the examination room. When the doctor finally appeared, my husband complained about the long wait.

"I'm a doctor and I can't be rushed," he responded. "If I make a mistake, someone could DIE."

My husband, without missing a beat said, "Really? Well, I'm an architect. If I make a mistake, THOUSANDS could die. I guess I win."

With that, he got dressed and walked out. Needless to say, we never returned to that doctor.

I disagree that it is the patient's job to make sure the doctor isn't running late. His office staff can easily inform people of that fact when they walk in, giving them the option of waiting if they wish (or can).

— **NO LONGER WAITING HARMONY, PA.**

DEAR ABBY: I am a professional. My hourly fees are similar to those of doctors. My policy is any waiting time after 30 minutes, I bill the doctor for my time.

— **PATRICK IN SAN ANSELMO**

IF SEPTEMBER 1 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY: "Girls Just Want to Have Fun" — and no matter what your gender, you will find fun in the year ahead. People are attracted to you because they sense your sincerity and honesty, so between now and January is a great time to apply for a new job, change careers or look for that special someone to fulfill your dreams. Optimism and a feeling of well-being will brighten your life — especially next February when a stroke of good luck can widen your horizons and bring financial benefits. You could be tempted to slip back into unproductive ways in March, so be on your guard against being lax on the job or daydreaming.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Avoid squabbles and don't feel too sorry for the apparent underdog. That dog may take a bite out of the hand that defends it.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Avoid costly mistakes. The Force isn't with you when making investments of



time, money, or emotions under these celestial conditions.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Don't jeopardize your career or your reputation by making key decisions now. Quell a sudden urge to spend money on unproven theories.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): No amount of silver polish and elbow grease will restore the luster to your good name if you lose someone's trust under these stars.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): You could find it hard to come to a meeting of the mind with a partner and new projects initiated now could become costly.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): You need to be valiant about doing the right thing as discreetly as possible. A key relationship might offer some surprises.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22):

Doing battle over inconsequential matters will only stir up trouble. Choose the truth, as little white lies will be transparent.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): You might get by on your personal charm and good looks. You may have better judgment than you think you do.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): As long as you remain honest and sincere it is impossible for undercurrents to trip you up. Don't fall prey to suspicions.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Listen to suggestions if they come from a reputable source and have the ring of truth. Don't plan on starting major projects now.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Don't slip back into old habits. Problems from the past might have an opportunity to creep back in to spoil your day.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): The wisest bird concentrates on work and flies far away from controversies. Overlook agitation among your partners or friends.

Today is Tuesday, Sept. 1, the 244th day of 2009. There are 121 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight:
On Sept. 1, 1939, World War II began as Nazi Germany invaded Poland.

On this date:
In 1807, former Vice President Aaron Burr was found not guilty of treason. (Burr was then tried on a misdemeanor charge, but was again acquitted.)

In 1894, the Great Hinckley Fire destroyed Hinckley, Minn., and five other communities, and killed more than 400 people.

In 1897, the first section of Boston's new subway system was opened.

In 1905, Alberta and Saskatchewan entered Confederation as the eighth and ninth provinces of Canada.

In 1923, the Japanese cities of Tokyo and Yokohama were devastated by an earthquake that claimed some 140,000 lives.

In 1951, the United States, Australia and New Zealand signed a mutual defense pact, the ANZUS treaty.

In 1969, a coup in Libya brought Moammar Gadhafi to power.

In 1972, American Bobby

TODAY IN HISTORY

Fischer won the international chess crown in Reykjavik, Iceland, as Boris Spassky of the Soviet Union resigned before the resumption of game 21.

In 1983, 269 people were killed when a Korean Air Lines Boeing 747 was shot down by a Soviet jet fighter after the airliner had entered Soviet airspace.

In 1989, Baseball Commissioner A. Bartlett Giamatti died of a heart attack at his summer home in Martha's Vineyard, Mass., at age 51.

Ten years ago: Twenty-two of baseball's 68 permanent umpires found themselves jobless, the fallout from their union's failed attempt to force an early start to negotiations for a new labor contract. Ten American tourists and two Tanzanians were killed when their small plane crashed as they were leaving Serengeti National Park.

Five years ago: More than 1,000 people were taken hostage by heavily armed Chechen militants at a school in Beslan in south-

ern Russia; more than 330, mostly children, were eventually killed in the three-day ordeal. Militants in Iraq freed seven employees of a Kuwaiti trucking firm after their employer paid half a million dollars in ransom. The criminal case against Kobe Bryant collapsed as prosecutors in Colorado dropped a sexual assault charge against the NBA star.

One year ago: Hurricane Gustav slammed into the heart of Louisiana's fishing and oil industry with 110 mph winds, delivering only a glancing blow to New Orleans.

Republicans opened their national convention in St. Paul, Minn., on a subdued note because of Hurricane Gustav; John McCain's running mate, Alaska Gov. Sarah Palin, revealed that her 17-year-old daughter, Bristol, was pregnant. Jerry Lewis raised a record \$65 million for the Muscular Dystrophy Association in his annual Labor Day telethon. Country singer-actor Jerry Reed died in Nashville at age 71.

Voiceover artist Don LaFontaine, whose distinctive baritone graced innumerable movie trailers, died in Los Angeles at age 68.

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ALFALFA 2nd cutting, small bales, \$110/ton. Filer, 208-309-8171

ALFALFA HAY 1st Crop for sale, \$80/ton, 208-670-2085 or 208-604-1273

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HAY 200 Ton, 2nd cutting Alfalfa, \$100/ton or \$5/bale, Rupert area. 208-431-9615

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800 Miscellaneous

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RANGE 30" Frigidaire \$125, good cond. Porta Crib \$35. Call 208-733-8345

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Although there are plenty of points between the North and South hands, there are also four losers. (This deal is from the final of the Mixed Pairs at the 2006 World Championships.) Can you see which is the only loser that might reasonably go away, barring some huge luck in the heart suit?

West led a low spade against four hearts, won by dummy's king. Declarer continued with a diamond to her queen, taken by West's ace. Winning the spade return in hand, declarer cashed the diamond jack, then attacked trumps by leading low from hand. West won with the queen to return a third spade to dummy's queen. A club went away from hand on the diamond king, then a heart to the ace set the scene. With no miracle in hearts, declarer's only hope of eliminating her club loser was that the hand with three trumps held no more than two clubs.

So South cashed the club ace, then played a club toward dummy's king. Ruffing this would not have helped the defense's cause — West would only be ruffing a loser — so she discarded a diamond. But that only delayed the inevitable. South rose with dummy's king, then exited with a trump.

West won the trick and, with no club to return, was forced to lead either a spade or a diamond in the two-card ending. Either way, declarer had a ruff and discard, jettisoning her club loser.

NORTH 09-1-A
 ♠ K Q 2
 ♥ J 8 4 3
 ♦ K 8 7
 ♣ K 7 2

WEST
 ♠ J 8 6 4
 ♥ K Q 10
 ♦ A 10 9 6 5
 ♣ 3

EAST
 ♠ 10 7 3
 ♥ 9 2
 ♦ 4 3 2
 ♣ Q J 10 9 8

SOUTH
 ♠ A 9 5
 ♥ A 7 6 5
 ♦ Q J
 ♣ A 6 5 4

Vulnerable: North-South
 Dealer: West

The bidding:
 South West North East
 1♥ Pass 1♣ Pass
 4♥ Dbl. 2♥ Pass
 All pass

Opening lead: Spade four

BID WITH THE ACES 09-1-B

South holds:
 ♠ K Q 2
 ♥ J 8 4 3
 ♦ K 8 7
 ♣ K 7 2

South West North East
 3♣ Dbl. Pass
 ?

ANSWER: If you considered bidding three hearts, shame on you — your hand is far too good for a minimum action. You could be forgiven for simply bidding four hearts, but with such bad trumps and so many high cards, you should bid three no-trump. After all, you might survive a bad heart break in that contract. Playing for penalties by passing could work, but it is a huge gamble.

For details of Bobby Wolff's autobiography, "The Lone Wolf," contact kay19372@aol.com. If you would like to contact Bobby Wolff, e-mail him at bobbywolff@comcast.net.

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By Bradley Guire
Times-News writer

The popcorn isn't going to pop itself. It's the little things at athletic events that make up a big job for someone, those things that people might take for granted, like refreshments and souvenirs. That's where booster clubs come in. At Canyon Ridge High School, even that is starting from scratch.

Kim and Nathan Bishop, co-presidents of the Riverhawks booster club, took on this daunting task last Thursday at the volleyball team's tri-match with Twin Falls and Pocatello.

"It's like a small business," Kim said. The Bishops were suggested by principal Brady Dickinson based on their contributions to the Bruin boosters. Their daughter, Brianna, is a senior at Twin Falls High School, and son Tray is a freshman at Canyon Ridge, making the Bishops what Kim called "Bruinhawks."

Although the boosters started with a small trailer at Sunway Soccer



MEAGAN THOMPSON/The Times-News
Kim Bishop, co-president of the Canyon Ridge High School booster club, stands at the school's concession booth last week.

Complex for the Riverhawks' opening soccer games, the volleyball match was the first event held at the gym.

Setup began months ago as the boosters met to incorporate the organization — it's legally called Canyon Ridge Riverhawks Boosters Inc. — and arrange for health inspections and the purchase of equipment.

Canyon Ridge High School provides a place for

concessions, but the school is not responsible for selling any of the items. Popcorn, candy, soft drinks, bottled water, hot dogs, hamburgers, T-shirts and printed programs are all paid for by the boosters. Some cooking equipment is bought with the booster fund — which is grown via fundraisers and donations — and some is donated. For printed programs, the boosters solicit

for paid advertising from area businesses.

This will continue for winter and spring sports and at the end of the school year the boosters assess how much money is left and divide it among the programs, which usually keep a "wish list" of items they could use. It's particularly helpful for teams which don't see a lot of revenue via gate receipts, unlike football and basketball.

Bishop said last year the Bruin softball team was able to buy a radar gun to clock pitch speed.

"That was a great help," said Twin Falls head coach Ken Johnson. "It's a radar, and it also measures spin rates for stuff like riseballs and dropballs. It measures all that. I can set it right by the catcher, and it's instant feedback."

Instant feedback made possible by boosters popping that popcorn.

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Venus struggles with serve, knee, foe at Open

By Howard Fendrich
Associated Press writer

NEW YORK — Venus Williams was bothered by a bad knee and distracted by more than a half-dozen foot faults. What never fazed her: a big deficit.

Quite close to losing in the U.S. Open's first round for the first time, Williams came all the way back from a set and a break down to beat 47th-ranked Vera Dushevina of Russia 6-7 (5), 7-5, 6-3 Monday night.

The No. 3-seeded Williams, twice the champion at Flushing Meadows, had her left knee bandaged by a trainer after the third game. The American also had plenty of trouble serving: She piled up 10 double-faults and was called for seven foot-faults.

Asked during a postmatch interview on court what it's going to take for her knee to be better for the second round, Williams told the crowd: "A lot of prayer. It's going to be a lot of prayer. Everything I can throw at it. But, you know, I'm tough." She sure proved that on this night.



Dushevina broke for a 3-1 lead in the second set and was three points from winning at 5-4.

Williams, who never has lost in the U.S. Open's first round, won the next seven games.

Still, there was a bit of shakiness left. Up 4-0 in the third set, Williams dropped three games in a row before righting herself once again.

One measure of how big an upset this would have been: Williams owns seven Grand Slam titles; Dushevina only once has been as far as the fourth round at a major tournament. And then there's this:

Williams entered Monday 43-3 in first-round matches at tennis' top four tournaments, including 10-0 at the U.S. Open.

Even though Williams improved those marks in the end, the 2-hour, 43-minute match did serve as the most intriguing encounter of a Day 1 that included victories for defending champions Roger Federer and Serena Williams, Venus' younger sister.

Kim Clijsters, who recently came out of retirement, won her first match at the U.S. Open since claiming her lone Grand Slam title in New York in 2005.

By beating 18-year-old NCAA champion Devin Britton of Jackson, Miss., 6-1, 6-3, 7-5, Roger Federer ran his winning streak to 35 matches at the tournament and became the first tennis player to surpass \$50 million in career prize money. Serena Williams also beat an American teenager in straight sets, eliminating Alexa Glatch of Newport Beach, Calif., 6-4, 6-1.

Other winners included John Isner, the 6-foot-9 American who knocked off No. 28-seeded Victor Hanesu of Romania in

See U.S. OPEN, Sports 2

Vandals aim for win in N.M

By Josh Wright
Times-News correspondent

MOSCOW — The University of Idaho football program has won three times since 2007.

The Vandals stumbled through 1-11 and 2-10 seasons under third-year head coach Robb Akey, with victories coming against lower-tier or bottom-rung programs (Cal Poly, Idaho State and New Mexico State). It's been 10 years since the Vandals last manufactured a winning season or even bagged their season opener.

Idaho will try to end that dubious streak on Saturday when it plays at New Mexico State, the only Western Athletic Conference foe that an Akey-led Vandal squad has topped.

For the third consecutive year Nathan Enderle will be the starting quarterback to open the season, and protecting him is an offensive line that meshed nicely through spring and preseason camps.

The unquestioned centerpiece of the O-line, if not the program, is senior left guard Mike Iupati. At 6-foot-6 and a muscular 330 pounds, the Anaheim, Calif., native has recovered from a shoulder injury that hampered him last year and should be one of the WAC's premier linemen.

"The expectations are still high for us," said Iupati, on the preseason Outland Trophy watch list. "We just need to get focused on that goal we have, which is to have a winning season. Everything will come along if we stay focused."

Beyond Iupati and a few other veterans, the roster is

Idaho at New Mexico State

6 p.m., MDT, Saturday



"The expectations are still high for us. We just need to get focused on that goal we have, which is to have a winning season. Everything will come along if we stay focused."

— Idaho left guard Mike Iupati

fraught with question marks. The most uncertainty surrounds the defense, which ranked 116th in the nation last year but has been infused with speedy newcomers such as cornerback Matt Harvey and linebacker Corey Toomer.

Akey indicated before fall camp that he wanted to see at least seven defensive linemen emerge, and that seems to be the case. Jonah Sataraka and Michael Cosgrove, two 280-pound interior tackles, have solidified starting gigs while Aaron Lavarias and Andre Ferguson have been productive in the preseason at defensive end.

See IDAHO, Sports 2

Favre leads Vikings to 17-10 win over Texans

By Kristie Rieken
Associated Press writer

HOUSTON — Brett Favre's ribs appear to be just fine.

He took plenty of hits and even delivered one.

Adrian Peterson scored on the game's first play, Favre played three quarters despite saying he might have an injured rib, and the Minnesota Vikings beat the Houston Texans 17-10 in a preseason game Monday night.

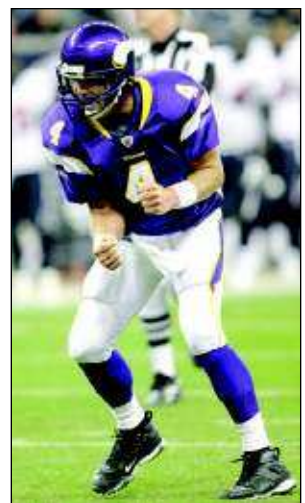
In his second game since retiring less than two weeks ago, Favre was 13 of 18 for 142 yards. He didn't move the offense much following Peterson's touchdown until a 28-yard catch and run by Chester Taylor just before halftime.

Favre told ESPN before the game that he thinks he has a cracked rib, but the 39-year-old didn't look to be in pain while getting sacked twice and taking numerous hits.

He drew a penalty for an illegal crackback block to the knee of Houston's Eugene Wilson when he lined up wide in the wildcat formation in the third quarter. Wilson was injured on the play.

Houston's Matt Schaub also had a tough day. He was called for intentional grounding and threw an interception before spraining his ankle on a touchdown run by Steve Slaton in the second quarter. He returned after the injury, but was limping and was replaced by Dan Orlovsky to start the third quarter.

Schaub was 10 of 14 for 108



AP photo
Minnesota Vikings quarterback Brett Favre celebrates a touchdown Monday during the second quarter of a preseason game against the Houston Texans in Houston.

yards with one interception. Peterson scored on a 75-yard run when he sliced through Houston's defense virtually untouched. He finished with 117 yards rushing, the second straight game the Texans have allowed a 100-yard rusher. Mike Bell had 10 carries for 100 yards in a loss to New Orleans.

Minnesota's three drives after Peterson's touchdown ended with punts, one of them coming when Favre was sacked by Mario Williams.

The Vikings got the ball at the Houston 24 early in the second quarter after Schaub's interception, but had to settle for a field goal after Favre's pass was deflected on second down and then fell incomplete on third down.

Bruin girls earn GBC win

Times-News

The Twin Falls Bruins girls soccer team opened conference play with a win Monday, defeating rival Burley 10-0 on the road.

Erin Grubbs-Imhoff and Allie Webb each scored three goals for the Bruins, and Lauren Rogers, Claire Goss, Madie Worst and Alexin Clark each contributed a goal each. McKenzie Johnson assisted on multiple goals.

Head coach Katie Kauffman contributed the team's performance to a strong passing game and solid defense.

Twin Falls (2-0-2, 1-0-0 Great Basin Conference) travels to Pocatello Wednesday to face Highland.

Boys soccer

TWIN FALLS 1, BURLEY 0

The Twin Falls boys soccer team earned its first victory of the season Monday, defeating Burley 1-0 at home in a Great Basin Conference match.

Steven Sanchez scored the Bruins' goal early in the first half. The Bruins (1-3-0) will host Highland Wednesday.

Volleyball

CASTLEFORD 3, HANSEN 0

The Castleford Wolves volleyball team swept Hansen 3-0 Monday in Hansen to kick off Snake River Conference South play. The Wolves won 25-16,



RYAN HOWE/Times-News

Twin Falls' McKenzie Johnson, top, has the ball taken away by Burley goalkeeper Emily Sansom during their girls soccer match Monday at Burley High School.

25-21, 25-14. Both Jessica Welch and Allison Rodgers recorded 10 kills. Setters Lisa Canuto and Kendra Flores notched 18 and 11 assists, respectively.

Castleford (1-0, 1-0) will host Oakley Thursday for

another conference match.

MELBA 3, GLENNS FERRY 1

The Glenns Ferry Pilots volleyball team fell 3-1 to Melba Monday at home. The Pilots lost 25-21, 25-17, 12-25, 25-18.

Mollie Shrum recorded five kills, and Sydney Sterling and Jacqueline Brennan dished out nine and eight assists, respectively. The Pilots (0-2) next face Cole Valley Christian on the road.

Pettitte loses perfect game, no hitter in same inning, but Yankees still beat Orioles

BALTIMORE — Andy Pettitte retired his first 20 batters before a lamentable seventh-inning sequence spoiled both his perfect game and no-hit bid, and the New York Yankees beat the Baltimore Orioles 5-1 Monday night.

Pettitte (12-6) was poised to finish the seventh without allowing a baserunner, but former Oriole Jerry Hairston Jr. let a two-out grounder by Adam Jones slip through his legs for an error. Hairston was playing in place of Alex Rodriguez, who was given the night off.

Nick Markakis followed with an opposite-field single inside the third-base line.

After Melvin Mora led off the eighth with a home run, Pettitte completed his masterful effort by getting three straight outs. The 37-year-old lefty moved into sole possession of third place on the Yankees career wins list. He broke a tie with Lefty Gomez with his 190th victory with New York, a number bested by only Hall of Famers Whitey Ford (236) and Red Ruffing (231).

RAVS 11, TIGERS 7

DETROIT — Carlos Pena hit his AL-best 38th homer and drove in four runs to help Tampa Bay beat Detroit for a split of their four-game series.

Tampa Bay scored six times in the first inning against the AL Central leaders, capped by Pena's two-run drive. James Shields (9-10) pitched seven innings and Jason Bartlett added a solo homer as the Rays moved within five games of idle Boston in the wild-card race.

Tampa Bay hosts the Red Sox on Tuesday night, the start of a three-game series.

Carlos Guillen had four hits for Detroit, including a pair of two-run homers.

Jarrod Washburn (9-8) allowed his first six batters to reach base. The last was Pena, who hit a shot down the right-field line. Pat Burrell had a two-run double earlier in the inning.

TWINS 4, WHITE SOX 1

MINNEAPOLIS — Home runs by Joe Mauer and Jason Kubel in the third inning lifted Nick Blackburn and the Minnesota Twins to yet another Metrodome victory over the collapsing Chicago White Sox.

The Twins crept within 3½ games of first-place Detroit in the AL Central, leaving the White Sox six games back. Minnesota has won 15 of 17 against Chicago in its soon-to-be-vacated domed home.

The White Sox have lost eight of nine overall. They finished August at 11-17.

NATIONAL LEAGUE BRAVES 5, MARLINS 2

MIAMI — Omar Infante hit a two-run triple in the seventh and Kenshin Kawakami pitched six effective innings to carry the Atlanta Braves past the Florida Marlins on Monday night, 5-2 in a matchup between NL wild-card contenders.

Marlins ace Josh Johnson did not allow a hit until the sixth inning when Matt Diaz lined a 2-2 slider to center field with two outs.

David Ross, Adam LaRoche, and Yunel Escobar each drove in a run for the Braves in the opener of a four-game series.

With the win, Atlanta moved within three games of wild-card co-leaders San Francisco and Colorado, both of which were idle on Monday. Florida has lost four of five to fall four games back.

Johnson (13-4) allowed three runs and five hits in 6 2-3 innings. He struck out eight and walked three.

Kawakami (7-10) quietly kept the Braves in the game as he allowed one run and six hits in six innings. He threw 51 of his 75 pitches for strikes and struck out five without walking a batter.

ASTROS 5, CUBS 3

CHICAGO — Carlos Lee

hit a two-run home run and drove in four runs, leading Houston to a victory over the Cubs.

Lee has hit 20 of his 31 homers against the Cubs at Wrigley Field. He also had a two-run single to give him 85 RBIs against the NL Central division rival.

Roy Oswalt pitched seven strong innings for Houston, who won for just the second time in eight games. Oswalt (8-5) allowed two runs on six hits, striking out three and walking one.

Harden (8-8) allowed five runs on five hits in five innings. He struck out nine but walked six.

REDS 4, PIRATES 3, GAME 1 REDS 6, PIRATES 3, GAME 2

CINCINNATI — Brandon Phillips hit one homer and had another overturned after a review, and the Reds swept a doubleheader from the Pirates in front of the two smallest crowds in Great American Ball Park's history.

Phillips had three hits off left-hander Paul Maholm (7-8), including a solo homer. He had another solo shot overturned in the fifth. Replays showed that his drive down the left-field line had actually veered foul, leading to the first reversal at the ballpark.

— The Associated Press

The old college try: Seeing all 120 teams possible

By Colin Fly
Associated Press writer

MILWAUKEE — Some people climb mountains or compete in triathlons. My goal: Watch one quarter of a game involving every team in major college football — all 120 teams.

Whoa, Nellie!

First, some ground rules for my "U. Tube" experiment: I can watch the games live, on TV or even recorded, but I have to watch them in-season — meaning that I have to view them by the start of the Bowl Championship Series national title game.

Yeah, it's a lofty goal. But with a digital video recorder, careful planning and an understanding wife, it can be done.

I began talking about how to watch all the major college teams in 2001 and actually started trying to do it four years ago. So far, I haven't accomplished the feat — but at least I can give it the old college try.

Just the fact that I even attempt this, in addition to having a full-time job as a sports writer — says something about the state of college football.

There was a time not too long ago when just a handful of schools consistently got national TV coverage.

Those who grew up in the 1970s can probably run down the list: Nebraska, Oklahoma, Southern California, Notre Dame, Michigan, Ohio State, Alabama, Penn State, Florida, Texas and maybe a few others.

Now, every day really can be Saturday in a 24/7 cable TV world where college football programs have become willing to suit up whenever they'll get exposure.

Whether it's Miami on Monday (Sept. 7), Troy on Tuesday (Oct. 6), Hawaii on Wednesday (Sept. 30), North Texas on Thursday (Sept. 3) or Fresno State on Friday (Sept. 18), there's a game on nearly every night.

Thirty-nine other non-BCS schools will skip Saturday for another day, led by Boise State, which will play six of its 13 games on weeknights.

How did everybody get to know the Broncos and their blue artificial turf? By watching them on weeknights.

The result is the Broncos and others have created a new road map to football relevancy with the recruiting boost that comes from playing on television.

"When you look at some of the schools who have taken a very active approach to football on nontraditional dates, Boise State and Louisville are two that really spring to mind right away," said Middle Tennessee athletic director Chris Massaro, whose Blue Raiders face Troy on Tuesday, Oct. 6, on ESPN2. "Look at the success and the growth those programs have experienced. Those are two programs we model ourselves on trying to become."

But it's still not the norm in BCS conferences.

According to the Big 12 conference, out of the nine games featuring a conference team not playing on Saturday, Colorado (led by former Boise State coach Dan Hawkins) participates in five of them.

Then there's the proliferation of games streamed live on the Web.

ESPN360.com has the most, including some Mid-American Conference doubleheaders in November. CBS College Sports XXL offers monthly or yearly subscriptions to gain access to several other conferences. Some colleges even offer JumboTron feeds — what they're showing on the big screen in the stadium — live, for a nominal fee.

All the options allow fans to watch more than 80 major college teams on Labor Day weekend alone, beginning Thursday with South Carolina at North Carolina State and ending when Miami and Florida State renew their rivalry Monday night for the 54th time.

I watched 113 teams two years ago and 106 last season — even while covering Wisconsin — which took up most of my Saturdays.

As it turns out, I didn't need that day much anyway.



AP file photo

This is a Nov. 28, 2008, file photo showing Boise State's Ian Johnson walking off the field after running for a touchdown against Fresno State during the second half of the NCAA college football game, in Boise. How did everybody get to know the Broncos and their blue turf? By watching them on weeknights.

Idaho

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"It's hard to play defense without a front," Akey said. "I'm not going to tell you they're going to be the Wall of China right now, but they're going to be good enough."

The offense, meanwhile, will almost certainly be the Vandals' strongest link. Enderle came out unscathed from a heated QB battle with Brian Reader and has garnered widespread praise for improvement in his footwork and maturity.

Still, if Enderle fails to dis-

play better decision-making — he has 35 career interceptions in 21 games — Akey insisted that he won't have a problem making a switch.

"If there (are) problems and Brian continually does things better, that's when things are going to change," the third-year coach said.

Either quarterback will have a wealth of playmakers to target. Five receivers, led by Preston Davis and Max Komar, made a mark in camp and at least six running backs seem capable of garnering

significant carries.

The No. 1 tailback is Deonte Jackson, who went from 1,175 yards as a freshman to 696 yards in a platoon role in 2008. Still, he and the other backs — including 241-pound DeMaundray Woolridge, whom coaches and teammates have praised — main-

tain they don't mind sharing the ball-carrying duties.

"I think we have a very talented group — and a pretty big group too," Jackson said. "And we all just have that potential to be big playmakers, to give our team that spark to put points on the board."

U.S. Open

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straight sets, including a 16-14 tiebreaker in the second; No. 21 James Blake; and French Open runner-up Robin Soderling.

Two-time major champion Amelie Mauresmo won easily, as did No. 7 Vera Zvonareva, No. 8 Victoria Azarenka, No.

10 Flavia Pennetta, No. 12 Agnieszka Radwanska and No. 14 Marion Bartoli, whose next opponent is Clijsters.

Bartoli, the 2007 Wimbledon runner-up, also just so happens to have been the first woman Clijsters played in her comeback. Clijsters beat her.

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1. Tony Stewart	3,564	2. Jimmie Johnson	3,344
3. Jeff Gordon	3,310	4. Denny Hamlin	3,141
5. Carl Edwards	3,110	6. Kurt Busch	3,141
7. Ryan Newman	2,995	8. Greg Biffle	2,986
9. Juan Pablo Montoya	2,975	10. Mark Martin	2,971
11. Casey Kahne	2,963	12. Matt Kenseth	2,945
13. Kyle Busch	2,911	14. Brian Vickers	2,906
15. Clint Bowyer	2,833	16. David Reutimann	2,785
17. Marcos Ambrose	2,639	18. Jeff Burton	2,568
19. Joey Logano	2,487	20. Casey Mears	2,478

Money

Driver	Points	Driver	Points
1. Tony Stewart	\$5,284,245	2. Matt Kenseth	\$5,263,952
3. Jimmie Johnson	\$4,901,747	4. Jeff Gordon	\$4,593,473
5. Kyle Busch	\$4,510,376	6. Kevin Harvick	\$4,320,009
7. Carl Edwards	\$3,997,332	8. Casey Kahne	\$3,838,310
9. Joey Logano	\$3,745,747	10. Mark Martin	\$3,670,628
11. Jeff Burton	\$3,649,887	12. Ryan Newman	\$3,573,609
13. Juan Pablo Montoya	\$3,508,994	14. David Reutimann	\$3,508,569
15. Greg Biffle	\$3,408,834	16. Brian Vickers	\$3,382,694
17. Denny Hamlin	\$3,331,789	18. Reed Sorenson	\$3,247,416
19. Kurt Busch	\$3,245,734	20. Martin Truex Jr.	\$3,242,902

BASEBALL

American League

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Team	W	L	Pct	GB
EAST				
New York	83	48	.634	
Boston	76	48	.585	6 1/2
Tampa Bay	71	59	.546	11 1/2
Toronto	58	70	.453	23 1/2
Baltimore	54	78	.409	29 1/2
CENTRAL				
Minnesota	69	61	.531	
Detroit	66	65	.504	3 1/2
Chicago	64	68	.485	6
Cleveland	58	72	.446	11
Kansas City	50	80	.385	19
WEST				
Los Angeles	77	52	.597	
Texas	72	57	.558	5
Seattle	68	63	.519	10
Oakland	57	73	.438	20 1/2

Chicago White Sox 3 Detroit 4 Tampa Bay 2 Baltimore 5 Cleveland 2 Boston 7 Toronto 0 Minnesota 5 Texas 3 L.A. Angels 9 Oakland 1 Kansas City 3 Seattle 0

Monday's Games
Tampa Bay 11, Detroit 1
N.Y. Yankees 5, Baltimore 1
Toronto at Texas, 6:05 p.m.
Minnesota 4, Chicago White Sox 1
Kansas City at Oakland, late
L.A. Angels at Seattle, late

Tuesday's Games
Toronto (Tallet 5-8) at Texas (Nippert 4-2), 3:05 p.m., 1st game
Cleveland (Carrasco 0-0) at Detroit (Eckason 10-6), 5:05 p.m.
N.Y. Yankees (A.Burnett 10-8) at Baltimore (Da.Hernandez 4-6), 5:05 p.m.
Boston (Lester 10-7) at Tampa Bay (Sonnanstine 6-7), 5:08 p.m.
Chicago White Sox (Danks 12-8) at Minnesota (B.Poston 10-9), 6:10 p.m.
Toronto (Rzepczynski 3-2) at Texas (McCarthy 5-2), 6:35 p.m., 2nd game
Kansas City (Davies 5-9) at Oakland (Ed.Gonzalez 0-1), 8:05 p.m.
L.A. Angels (E.Santana 7-7) at Seattle (Fister 1-1), 8:10 p.m.

Wednesday's Games
Chicago White Sox at Minnesota, 11:10 a.m.
Kansas City at Oakland, 1:35 p.m.
L.A. Angels at Seattle, 4:40 p.m.
Cleveland at Detroit, 5:05 p.m.
N.Y. Yankees at Baltimore, 5:05 p.m.
Boston at Tampa Bay, 5:30 p.m.
Toronto at Texas, 6:05 p.m.

National League

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Team	W	L	Pct	GB
EAST				
Philadelphia	75	53	.586	
Atlanta	68	63	.519	7 1/2
Florida	66	63	.510	8 1/2
New York	59	72	.450	17 1/2
Washington	46	85	.351	30 1/2
CENTRAL				
St. Louis	77	55	.583	
Chicago	65	64	.504	10 1/2
Milwaukee	64	66	.492	12
Houston	63	68	.481	13 1/2
Cincinnati	58	73	.443	18 1/2
Pittsburgh	53	77	.408	23
WEST				
Los Angeles	78	53	.595	
Colorado	72	59	.550	6
San Francisco	72	59	.550	6
Arizona	59	72	.450	19
San Diego	56	76	.424	22 1/2

Monday's Games
Cincinnati 4, Pittsburgh 3, 1st game
Atlanta 5, Florida 2
Cincinnati 6, Pittsburgh 3, 2nd game
Houston 5, Chicago Cubs 3
Washington at San Diego, late
Arizona at L.A. Dodgers, late

Tuesday's Games
San Francisco (S.Sanchez 6-10) at Philadelphia (Hames 7-8), 5:05 p.m.
Atlanta (Hudson 0-4) at Florida (A.Sanchez 2-5), 5:10 p.m.
Pittsburgh (Morton 3-6) at Cincinnati (Lehr 3-1), 5:10 p.m.
Houston (Moehler 8-9) at Chicago Cubs (R.Wells 9-7), 6:05 p.m.
Milwaukee (Looper 11-6) at St. Louis (Pineiro 13-9), 6:15 p.m.
N.Y. Mets (Pellegr 9-9) at Colorado (De La Rosa 12-9), 6:40 p.m.
Washington (J.Martin 3-3) at San Diego (Richard 3-1), 8:05 p.m.
Arizona (V.Petit 3-8) at L.A. Dodgers (V.Padilla 1-0), 8:10 p.m.

Wednesday's Games
Pittsburgh at Cincinnati, 10:35 a.m.
Houston at Chicago Cubs, 12:20 p.m.
Washington at San Diego, 1:35 p.m.
Washington at Philadelphia, 5:05 p.m.
Atlanta at Florida, 5:10 p.m.
Milwaukee at St. Louis, 6:15 p.m.
N.Y. Mets at Colorado, 6:40 p.m.
Arizona at L.A. Dodgers, 8:10 p.m.

NL Boxes

Atlanta Braves 5, Marlins 2

IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
M.Diaz	2	1	0	0	1
P.Rob	2	1	0	0	1
C.Jones	3	2	1	0	1
Gandy	4	0	0	0	1
Gorecki	1	0	0	0	1
ADLR	4	0	1	0	1
Y.Escor	3	1	2	1	0
Infante	4	1	2	2	0
D.Ross	3	0	1	1	0
Kawin	2	0	0	0	1
Norton	1	0	0	0	1
Moylan	0	0	0	0	0
OFIhr	0	0	0	0	0
MnZiz	0	0	0	0	0
KJhnsn	1	0	0	0	0
Rosorin	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	29	5	5	3	2
Atlanta	000	000	000	000	1
Florida	010	000	000	000	2

RAVLS IL TIGERS 7

Tampa Bay 5, Detroit 2

IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Bartlett	5	2	3	1	0
Kapler	3	1	0	0	1
Zobrist	5	1	2	1	1
Burrell	4	2	1	0	1
Longori	5	3	3	1	0
C.Pena	5	2	3	1	0
WArz	2	0	0	0	0
Iwamr	2	1	0	0	0

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Chicago 6, Florida 1

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Mjares	2	3	1	1	0
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Nathan	5	3	5	3	2

YANKEES 5, ORIOLES 1

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Damon	4	1	0	0	0
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H.Matsu	4	0	0	0	0
Posada	4	0	0	0	0
Canzo	4	1	2	2	0
Swisher	4	1	2	2	0
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Brune	1	3	1	0	0
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Guthrie	6	4	2	2	1
Hendrickson	12	3	3	3	0
Bass	11	3	1	0	1
Totals	30	8	2	1	0
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Houston 5, Astros 3

IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Bourn	4	1	1	0	2
Kpnr	4	2	1	0	1
Bkrm	3	0	1	0	1
CaLee	4	1	2	4	0
Tejada	4	0	1	0	0
Blum	4	0	1	0	0
Penz	3	0	1	0	0
Coste	2	1	0	0	1
Oswalt	1	0	0	0	0
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Houston	003	020	000	000	5
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Atlanta 7, Braves 2

IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
M.Diaz	7	6	2	2	1
Oswalt	1	1	1	0	0
Hawkins	1	0	0	0	0
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Atlanta 6, Braves 2

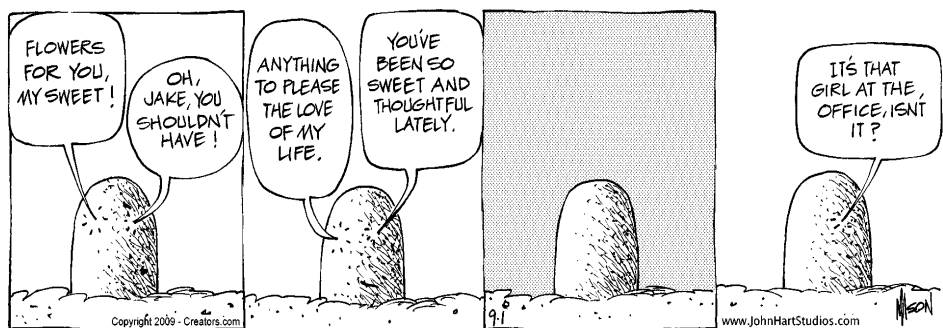
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O'Flaherty	1	3	0	0	0
M.Gonzalez	1	0	0	0	0
R.Soriano	1	2	1	1	0
Totals	11	13	2	2	1
Atlanta	000	000	000	000	0
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Atlanta 6, Braves 2

IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
M.Diaz	6	6	1	1	0
Moylan	2	3	0	0	1
O'Flaherty	1	3	0	0	0
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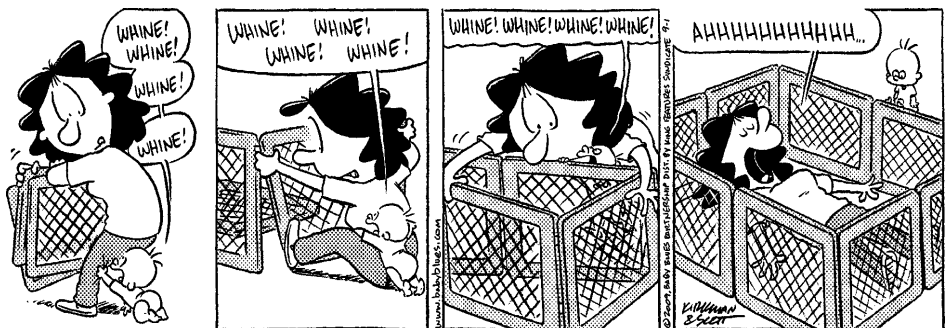
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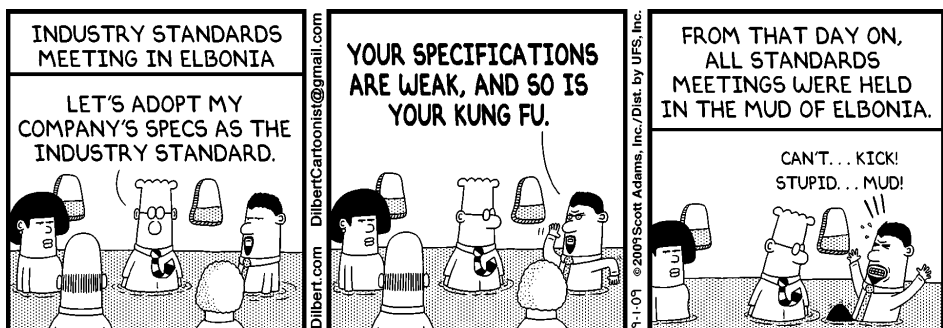
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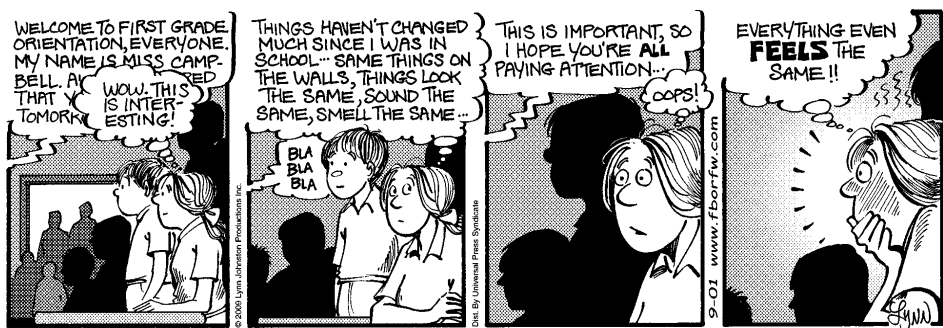
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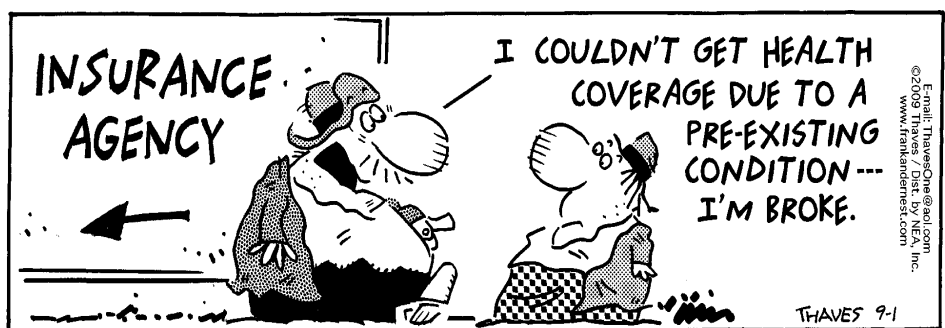
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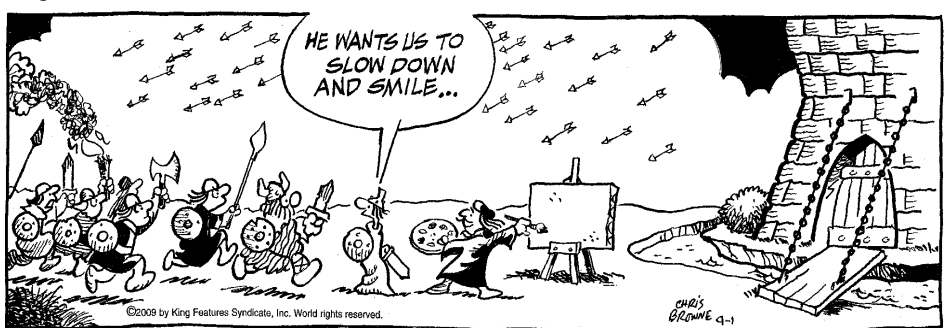
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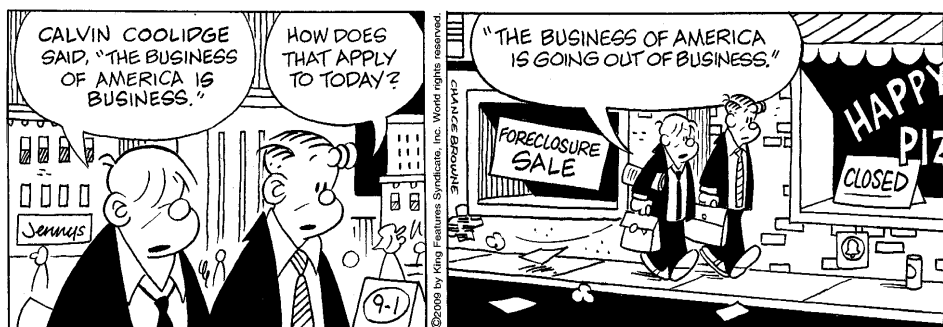
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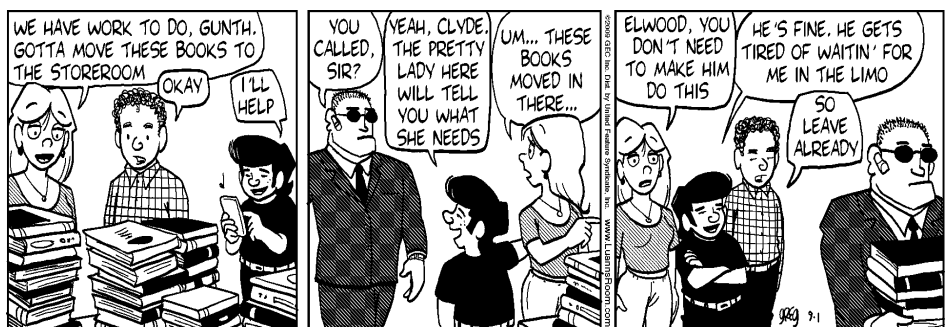
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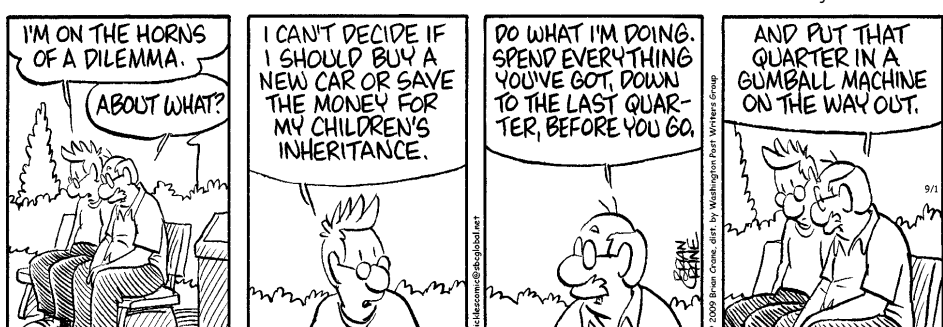
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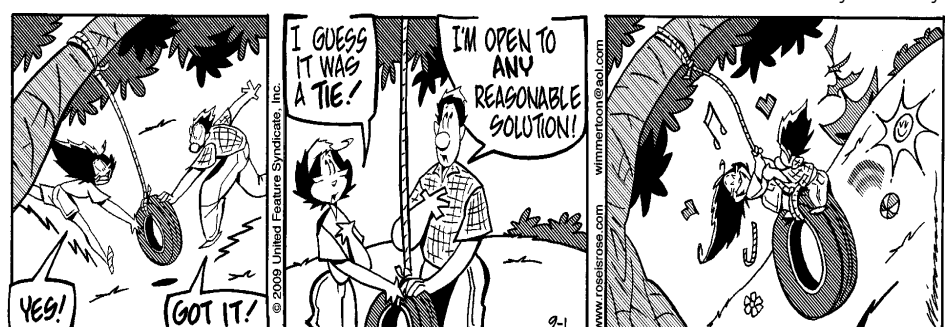
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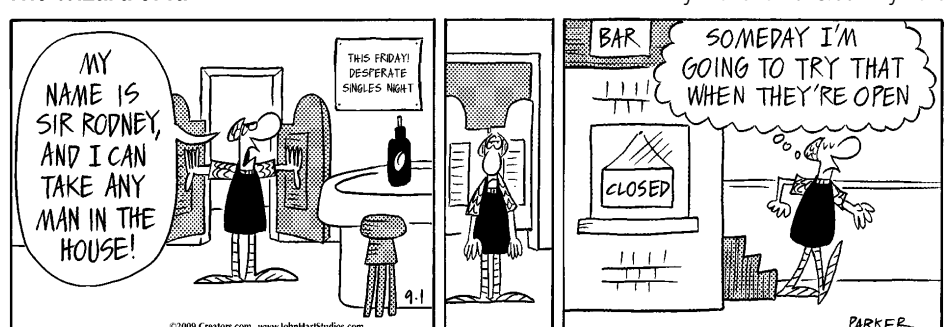
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YEAR'S TWIN FALLS COUNTY FAIR



Some traditions are worth keeping

Times-News

Ever try doing away with a tradition? Ever try keeping one? Likely, there are certain traditions you just have to keep alive.

The Twin Falls County Fair is a 93-year-old tradition in the Magic Valley. This year's theme — "Traditions We Treasure" — says it all.

Traditions at the fair include, among other things, a petting farm, destruction derby, rodeo, carnival and lots of food. While there are plenty of other traditions, the fair committee has done a mighty fine job of trying to add some new items to the slate this year. Perhaps future traditions?

For starters, how about these:

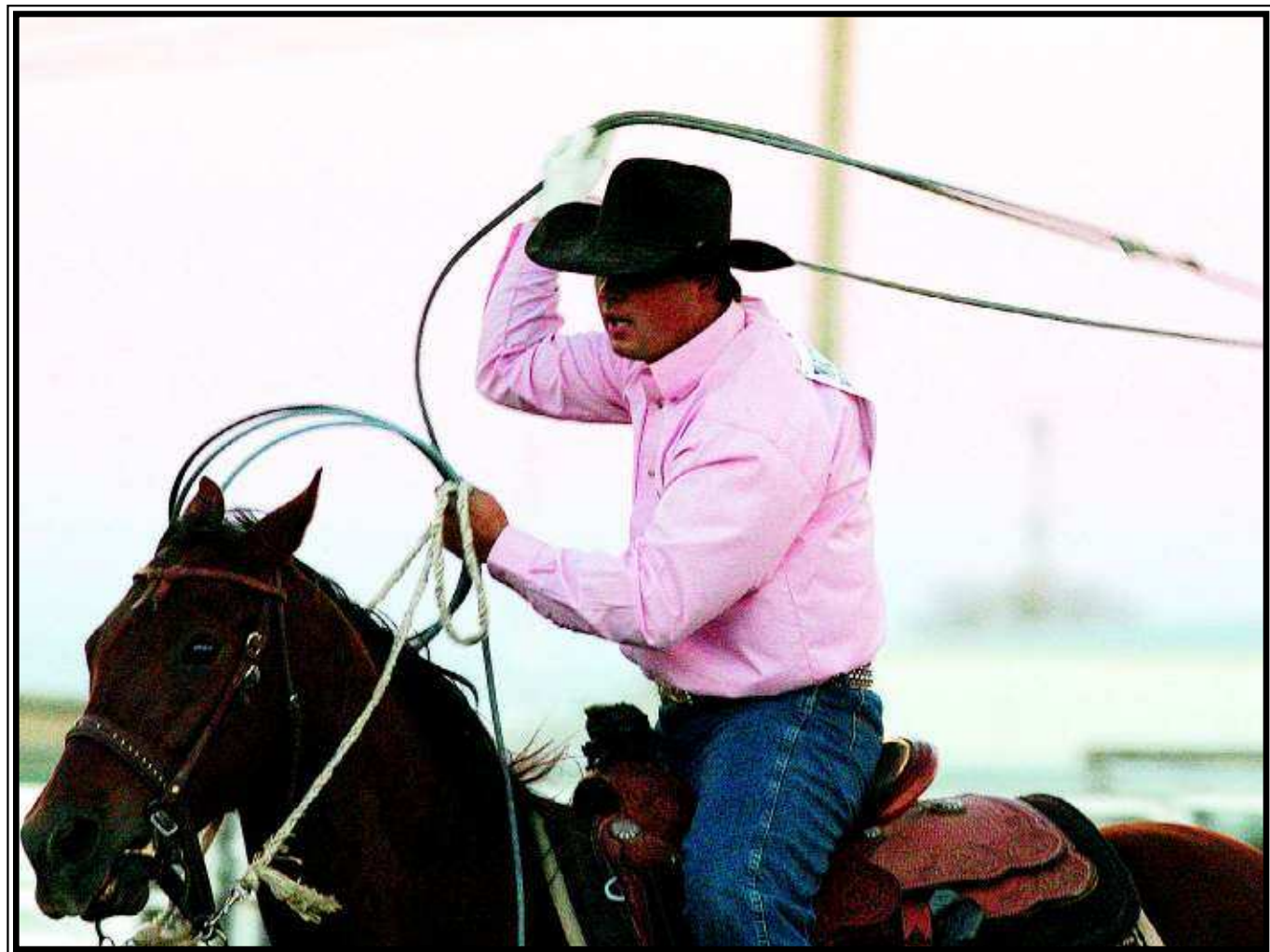
● Kachunga and the Alligator Show, sponsored by Cable One, is educational, funny and safe to view, according to this year's fair pamphlet. Though he's been to the fair before, it's been a while.

● You've seen hypnotists before, but have you ever experienced the power of Terrance B and HYPNODOG? There's no bones about it, according to the pamphlet, this show is "dog-gone funny!"

● Washboard Willy hasn't been here for a while, but he's back this year. And what did he bring? Answer: "thimbles on his gloves, bells and whistles on his rhythm board, and a homemade cart carrying all sorts of sound makers ..."

● When you want to liven up the place, you can't beat Rodney Atkins and Reckless Kelly. Atkins performs in concert at 8 p.m. Wednesday, and Reckless Kelly at 8 p.m. Sunday. Be forewarned, however: They might be a little reckless.

Don't know about you, but it sounds as if this year might be a good time to make the fair a tradition with your family, if you haven't already. It just might wind up being one that you treasure.



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Twin Falls County Fair

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SATURDAY, SEPT. 5

SOUTHWICK BEEF SHOW RING
 9:30 a.m. Open to the World Steer show flwd by 4-H & FFA Breeding Beef flwd by Jr. Hereford Heifer flwd by Hereford & Polled Hereford flwd by Shorthorn, Red Angus flwd by Simmental flwd by Charlois, Salers, Gelbvieh, Piedmontese Limousin, Maine Anjou
DAIRY SHOW RING
 10 a.m. Magic Valley Dairy Heifer show
McCOY SHEEP SHOW RING
 9 a.m. FFA Sheep showmanship flwd by 4-H Sr. showmanship flwd by 4-H Jr. showmanship
QUESNELL SWINE SHOW RING
 9 a.m. FFA Swine showmanship flwd by 4-H
GOAT SHOW RING
 1 p.m. FFA/4-H District Dairy Goats showmanship flwd by Quality
 4 p.m. FFA/4-H Pygmy Goat showmanship flwd by Quality
DOG SHOW RING east of the Goat barn
 8 a.m. 4-H/FFA Dog show
ZEBARTH ARENA-HORSE SHOW RING



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8 a.m. All Breed Horse show
TWIN FALLS COUNTY FAIR SALE RING
 6 p.m. Magic Valley Dairy Heifer sale

SUNDAY, SEPT. 6

SHOUSE ARENA
 8 p.m. Reckless Kelly Concert

SOUTHWICK BEEF SHOW RING
 Noon Round Robin showmanship
 1 p.m. Jr. Angus Steer show flwd by Junior Angus show flwd by Open Angus show
DAIRY SHOW RING
 Noon Round Robin showmanship
 1 p.m. ITLA Texas Longhorn show
McCOY SHEEP SHOW RING

follows Goats Round Robin showmanship
 4 p.m. Ewe Lead Fashion show
QUESNELL SWINE SHOW RING
 follows Sheep Round Robin showmanship followed by Adult Swine show
GOAT SHOW RING
 follows Dairy Round Robin showmanship
 2 p.m. Small animal Round Robin
ZEBARTH ARENA-HORSE SHOW RING
 follows Swine Round Robin showmanship
 9 a.m. 4-H Horse Fun Day next to the Rabbit Barn
 9 a.m. ARBA Rabbit show - Quality
 11 a.m. 4-H District showmanship

MONDAY, SEPT. 7

SHOUSE ARENA
 7 p.m. Destruction Derby
GOAT SHOW RING
 10 a.m. Open Boer Goats
ZEBARTH ARENA-HORSE SHOW RING
 9 a.m. Working Ranch Horse
 1 p.m. Team Sorting
TWIN FALLS COUNTY FAIR SALE BARN
 10 a.m. 4-H/FFA Junior market animal sale

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WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 2

SHOUSE ARENA
 8 p.m. Rodney Atkins concert
SOUTHWICK BEEF SHOW RING
 1 p.m. Commercial 4-H/FFA Steer show
DAIRY SHOW RING
 4 p.m. Draft Horse & Mule Halter show
McCOY SHEEP SHOW RING
 9 a.m. 4-H Alpaca/Llama show
 1 p.m. 4-H Alpaca/Llama show
QUESNELL SWINE SHOW RING
 10 a.m. Open Market Hog show
GOAT SHOW RING
 9 a.m. Open Dairy Goats: Jr. Doe show
ZEBARTH ARENA-HORSE SHOW RING
 8 a.m. FFA Horse Quality flwd by showmanship (1-hour break) flwd by 4-H showmanship including Miniatures, flwd by Performance, Walk - Jog, Western Jog, Western Horsemanship, Western Pleasure (30-minute break) Bareback Equitation
 1 p.m. 4-H Miniature Horse show next to Rabbit Barn
 9 a.m. 4-H/FFA Rabbit show
 4 p.m. Cat show flwd by Cavy show
 6 p.m. Small Animal show

PRICES

Gate admission (adults)	.....\$7
Gate admission (seniors)	.....\$6
General admission (children 6-12)	.....\$3
General admission (children 5 and under)	.....Free
Group pass (At the gate sale only)	.....\$25
(5 PASSES FOR \$25.00 AT THE GATE)	
Season pass	.....\$30
(Pre-fair sale only, 6 passes for \$30)	
Commercial delivery parking permit	.....\$50
Public parking daily	.....Free
Livestock parking	.....Free

*All admission ticket prices include sales tax

THURSDAY, SEPT. 3

SHOUSE ARENA
 Noon Draft Horse & Mule Performance
 7:30 p.m. PRCA Rodeo
SOUTHWICK BEEF SHOW RING
 9:30 am 4-H/FFA Jr. Division Market Steer flwd by Best Pen of Five show

DAIRY SHOW RING

10 a.m. FFA Dairy showmanship flwd by 4-H 4-H/FFA Dairy Quality
McCOY SHEEP SHOW RING
 9 a.m. Open Youth show flwd by Open Market Lamb show flwd by Pen of 2 flwd by Pee Wee showmanship flwd by Random Draw Team showmanship
GOAT SHOW RING
 9 a.m. Open Dairy Goats: Sr. Doe show
ZEBARTH ARENA-HORSE SHOW RING
 8 a.m. 4-H Horse Quality including Miniatures flwd by showmanship flwd by English Equitation 30-minute break) flwd by 4-H Horse Performance: Reining, Riding, Walk-Jog, Reining Control (1-hour break flwd by Freestyle (Arena No. 1)
 8 a.m. 4-H Horse Trail Classes (Arena No. 2)
DOG SHOW RING east of the Goat barn
 5 p.m. 4-H Dog Agility course

FRIDAY, SEPT. 4

SHOUSE ARENA
 10 a.m. Draft Horse & Mule Performance
 7:30 p.m. PRCA Rodeo
SOUTHWICK BEEF SHOW RING

9 a.m. FFA Senior Division Beef showmanship flwd by Jr. Div. flwd by 4-H Beef showmanship
DAIRY SHOW RING
 10 a.m. Jersey Show followed by Holstein Show followed by "Dairy Replacement Heifer" Dam show
McCOY SHEEP SHOW RING
 10 a.m. 4-H/FFA Premier Breeder
 1 p.m. Jr. Division Market Lamb show
QUESNELL SWINE SHOW RING
 9 a.m. 4-H/FFA Market Swine show flwd by Pen of five
GOAT SHOW RING
 4 p.m. Open Pygmy Goat show
ZEBARTH ARENA-HORSE SHOW RING
 8 a.m. 4-H Green horse flwd by 4-H barrels & poles including Miniatures
 1 p.m. All-breed horse show

SATURDAY, SEPT. 5

SHOUSE ARENA
 1 p.m. Antique Tractor Pull
 7:30 p.m. PRCA Rodeo

See more of the schedule on page 15

What's a fair without animals?

Times-News

What's a fair without animals? No, the question is not the set-up for a joke. But it could be ... and the laugh would be on you.

Fairs and animals go together like peas in a pod — or pigs in a pen.

Bring your children to the fair's petting farm — a fair favorite for young tots — where they can get to know the farm's four-legged friends.

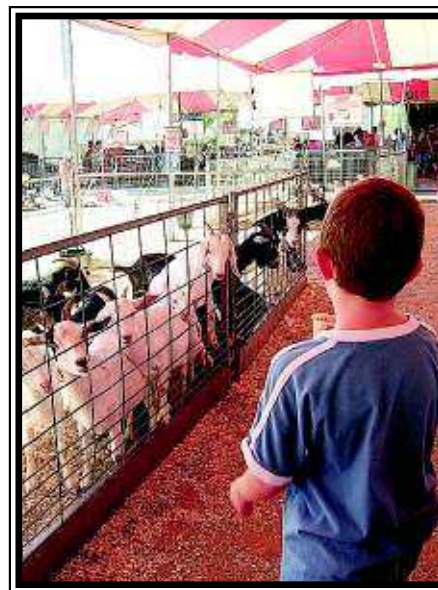
Ponies, lambs and goats are some of the animals sure to spark smiles on young faces.

The fair also has a sow and pig display, a sheep and lamb display and beef display.

Watch eggs hatch each day of the fair, help feed baby cows and milk their mothers.

You'll find it all in Kiddie Land.

What else is in Kiddie Land? Bring your children to find out. Guaranteed: there won't be a dull moment for your young ones.



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Fair offers upgraded amenities

By Blair Koch
 Times-News correspondent

Free shuttle service from the Twin Falls Fred Meyers parking lot to the fairgrounds in Filer will be offered for this year's Twin Falls County Fair.

"When I learned that Pole Line (Road) was going to be under construction during the fair in September, I immediately contacted Sun Valley Stages and Fred Meyers to help us with setting up a free shuttle service," Fair Manager John Pitz said in a press release.

The shuttle service will run from 3 to 11 p.m. every hour on weekdays, and 11 a.m. to midnight every hour on the weekend.

Drop offs will be at Gate 5, which will have a tented waiting area with seats.

From there fair goers can catch another shuttle with destinations around the fairgrounds including the Fair Office, Free Stage, Shouse Arena and several restrooms. The onsite fair shuttle will run from 12:30 to 10:30 p.m. each day of the fair.

The on-site shuttles will be four-seater golf carts driven by Twin Falls County Fair Foundation volunteers.

"This was a project that the Foundation voted unanimously to do as a service to our elderly and disabled fair goers," said Twin Falls County Fair Foundation Chairman Jim Lanting. "It gives more people the opportunity to see more of the fair and

appreciate what the Foundation does.

Fair officials are also pleased to announce the completion of a new family assist restroom, located across the lawn from the Free Stage area. The restroom offers six rooms for people needing more room and a little privacy.



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The fair presents: Rodney Atkins

By Blair Koch
Times-News correspondent

What better way to kick off the Twin Falls County Fair than with a concert by country music sensation Rodney Atkins?

Maybe there isn't. Atkins will grace the Shouse Arena stage at 8 p.m. Wednesday.

Murtaugh fan Lynn Fassett is looking forward to the concert and hopes Atkins sings, "If You're Going Through Hell," and "A Man on a Tractor."

"I've been to some concerts at the fair and they were all right, but Rodney Atkins is well-known, so I think the concert will be pretty fun," Fassett said. "I'm excited they were able to bring in someone like that. It's

cool." Fair officials knew they booked a winner when Atkins' "It's America" hit

No. 1 on the Billboard country music charts the same week tickets went on sale.

"That's luck," said Fair Manager John Pitz.

The artist's latest album, "If You're Going Through Hell," is said to capture every aspect of his life — from his humble, multiple-adoption beginning, to his rural-east Tennessee upbringing and current stick-to-your-roots convictions.

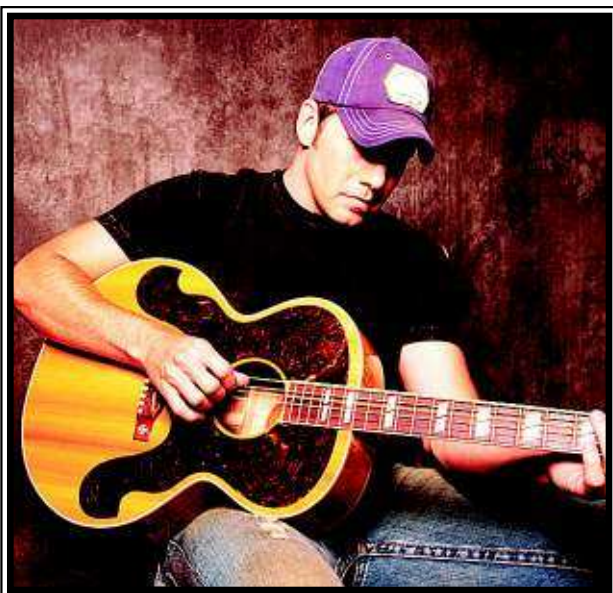
IN CONCERT

Tickets can be purchased at the Fair Office, at 208-326-4398 or www.tfcfair.com. Cost, including fair admission, is \$15 for general admission and \$20 for reserved seating.

The album was recently certified gold since its break-out success in 2006.

"Every song I sing is about the world as I know it," Atkins said in a press release. "Every word is real. I'm not going to sing it if it isn't."

While tickets have been selling fast, there is "plenty of good seating available," said



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Reckless Kelly performs on Sunday

With roots and fans across the Gem State, Reckless Kelly's coming to the Twin Falls County Fair for the Sunday night concert is sure to be a special treat for southern Idaho.

Founding members Willy and Cody Braun grew up in rural Idaho, stepping on stages from the time they were kids performing in their dad's western swing band, Muzzie Braun and the Boys. Their brothers Micky and Gary have their own band, Micky and the Motorcars.

In Filer Reckless Kelly will no doubt play their familiar tunes and new hits from their newly released album, "Bulletproof," out on Yep Roc Records, hailed by the Austin American Statesman as the "record of their career."

"We're excited to have Reckless Kelly coming this year," said Fair Manager John Pitz.

The album's art is a semi-faithful rendition of the homemade armor Australian outlaw and

band namesake Ned during his final police shootout.

The band, however, isn't interested in bloodshed as illustrated by one of the most powerful tunes on

Bulletproof, "American Blood."

The song is a pointed indictment of the war in Iraq. While compared to Bruce Springsteen's often misunderstood "Born in the U.S.A.," Reckless Kelly's

lyrics loath the sacrifice of young soldiers, "for all the wrong reasons," according to a press release.

With endless rock and charisma onstage, you'll enjoy this concert for all the right reasons.



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IN CONCERT

Reckless Kelly performs at 8 p.m. Sunday at the Shouse Arena. Cost is \$10 for general admission, \$13 for reserved seating. Tickets include admittance into the fair and are available at the fair office, at www.tfcfair.com or by calling 208-326-4398.

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Fair food extravaganza

By Blair Koch
Times-News correspondent

Templeton, the rat in the classic cartoon version of "Charlotte's Web," had it right when he sang, "A fair is a veritable smorgasbord."

That's about what it is at the Twin Falls County Fair this year — a smorgasbord. Down the concession line is classic corn dogs, chili burgers, chili dogs, French fries, nachos, onion rings, corn on the cob and desserts spanning the sweetness spectrum ...

You get the point. The 40-some food booths offer a variety of palate pleasers for break-

fast, lunch and dinner, as well as those much-needed snacks in between.

"What we try and do is look at the vendors we've got and the openings we have and try to keep it unique," said Tara Buckley, a fair board member.

Buckley has her favorites (Pop's Cooler's Monkey dough) but likes to mix it up, as do other board members.

Board member Jim Barker said since they're at the fair daily, board members have ample opportunity to try something new.

"Of course, you have to have a corn dog. And the trout at the Buhl Catholic

Church booth is a must, but there is always something exciting to try," Barker said.

This year brings a few changes to the booths operated by husband-and-wife team Tony Barnes and Chong Suk. In addition to their menu staples of teriyaki chicken, rice bowls and scones, they're shaking it up with Sloppy Joes, Sloppy Yaki's (Teriyaki) and Sloppy Jose's.

"The Sloppy Jose's, well it's still in the design phase but it's going to be a spicy variety," Barnes said.

With so much food to chose from, even Templeton wouldn't know where to begin.

The way to an award is through one's stomach

By Blair Koch
Times-News correspondent

The scene at the annual Twin Falls County Fair County Commissioner pie contest is usually about as serious as a senior class steer showmanship show. The prize, just as honored: bragging rights.

The annual pie contest at the Twin Falls County Fair is serious for the contestants and fun for commissioners.

This year, it's all about the apple.

During last year's con-

test, Commissioner Tom Mikesell offered this bit of insight. He wants one "that makes me think of home."

Commissioner Terry Kramer is a bit more pragmatic in his approach to judging pies. He wants a crust that's "flaky, buttery and tender."

Judging takes place at 5 p.m. Wednesday in front of the Kitchen and Pantry building.

Saco Foods is hosting a "Soup it Up" contest. Have an original hot or cold soup recipe that uses Saco's

Buttermilk Blend? Than this contest is for you. Judging takes place at 5 p.m., Sept. 4. The winning recipe becomes the property of Saco Foods and the winner is awarded \$50.

Other food contests include the Chocolate Extravaganza Contest, with judging at 1 p.m. Sept. 7.

Participants will bring a dozen homemade chocolate treats for judging. And the best part is, viewers get to sample it after the contest.

Get snap happy at the fair

By John E. Swayze
Times-News correspondent

Calling all shutterbugs! The Twin Falls County Fair is set to roll out its third annual photo contest, Sept. 2-7, during fair week.

Images capturing the county fair spirit must be taken on the grounds and submitted via e-mail to tcf-fairphoto@filertel.com, for the next day's 8 a.m. judging deadline. Up to three entries can be sent in daily by each participant. All entries must be accompanied by a contest disclaimer available at the fair office or on their Web site at www.tfcfair.com.

Examples of past entries have also been posted for viewing on the site.

"We didn't get that many



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in the first year, but last year people sent in about 30 photos per day," said Twin Falls County Fair Office Manager Bonnie Seaman. "It seems to be a pretty popular activity."

The top five entries at the end of the week will be printed and the remaining

three finalists will be awarded prizes provided by Best Buy in Twin Falls.

"Prizes have yet to be determined," said Best Buy Manager Dwaine Weyland. "We try to make them something in the range of a photo printer, an iPod or radio."

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Get mesmerized by Terrance B and HypnoDog

By Blair Koch
Times-News correspondent

Be prepared for a comedic, hypnotist show led by Terrance B, which happens to feature boarder collie prop, HypnoDog.

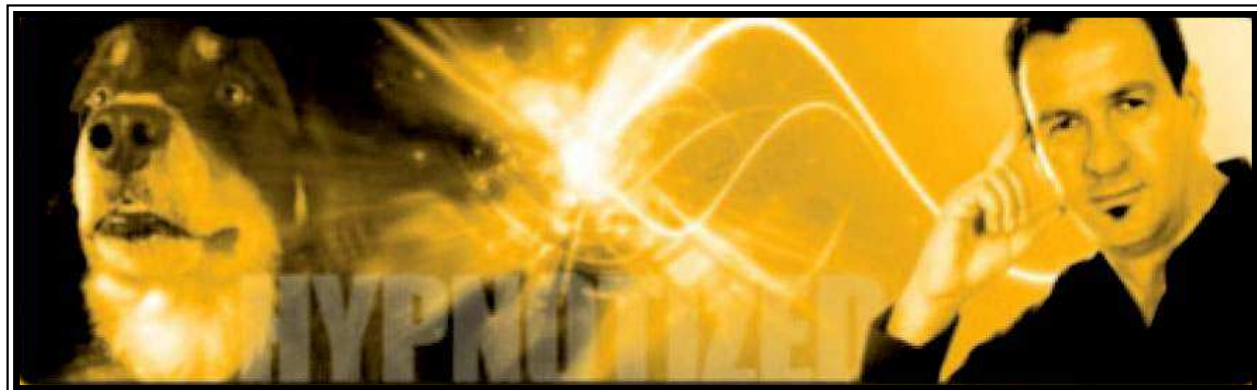
While HypnoDog is Terrance B's "secret weapon," the canine is not the focus of the show.

"It's comedy and hypnosis with an added twist," Terrance B told the *Times-News*.

"But don't get the wrong idea, it's not all about the dog."

However, fair officials are impressed with the four-footed sidekick.

"That dog can sure keep



GET HYPNOTIZED

Don't miss Terrance B and HypnoDog with shows at 4:30 and 8 p.m. Wednesday-Friday and 1:30, 4:30 and 8 p.m. Saturday-Monday on the Free Stage.

his eyes open for a very, very long time," said Fair Manager John Pitz. Terrance has been

the scenes, we work on the fly. It's more improv than anything else."

Recently in Roseburg, Ore., Terrance garnered a fan base.

His Facebook page is full of comments like, "That was the funniest thing ever," and "This was SO funny ... pick me."

One fan, Tyler Jacob Budel, exclaimed, "You have got to come back next year."

thrilling audiences throughout North America for more than a decade.

His show at the Twin Falls County Fair, daily on the free stage, will revolve around audience participation.

No two shows will be alike.

"I have 15 hours of material, but you never know what personalities will present themselves come show time," he said. "With my wife producing behind

You'll come to this show to be hypnotized by HypnoDog but you'll be back for the comedic spell-binding ability of Terrance B — enjoyed whether you're part of the show or in the audience.

Grow your own veggies

By John E. Swayze
Times-News correspondent

Has the summer growing season smiled on your green thumb? Bring the results to the Twin Falls County Fair and compete in a home-grown vegetable contest.

This year's competition includes no less than 14 class categories spanning everything from arranged garden displays and largest potato or zucchini specimens to seeds, painted pumpkins and scarecrow designs.

Farm produce superintendent Jody Holloway, of Twin Falls, says the number of entries registered in each category change from year to year, but she thinks the economy and tighter food budgets may bring out more competitors this year.

"I started entering the competition about eight years ago," Holloway said. "I



can't, as superintendent, enter anything now, but it's gratifying to grow your own food and enjoyable when people come in to the fair with produce."

Vegetable and fruit

entries, which meet specific judging criteria in their class or category and place in the top three slots, could result in the grower being awarded fair premiums ranging from \$1 to \$50.

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and is always a crowd pleaser.

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Root for your favorite driver. Or if you're a thrill seeker, come drive the derby yourself.

Pre-registration is \$25, or \$30 on the day of the derby.

Entry fee includes one

pit pass for the driver, who is responsible for the actions of his or her entire crew. Drivers under 18 must have a written release from a parent or guardian.

For more information about the derby, including rules and regulations: <http://www.tfcfair.com/destruction-derby/PonyDerbyEntryForms.pdf>.



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Washboard Willy: A Twin Falls County Fair tradition

By John E. Swayze
Times-News correspondent

Larry and Donnis Hiskett are modern-day minstrels with a passion for sharing the joy of music with people across America.

This husband and wife troupe, affectionately known by children of all ages as Washboard Willy and Washboard Wanda, will be adding their unique, interactive show to the Twin Falls County Fair.

"We do from 20 to 30 shows around the country each year and this will be our second time in Filer," Washboard Willy said. "We came in 2007 and were very well received. Your fair is a highlight for us."

Three times daily, Willy, Wanda and Roko, their motorized sound system wagon, will move throughout the fairgrounds performing a concert of rhythms and song. Audience members are encouraged to join in with egg shakers or tambourines, as Willy plays his custom-made calliope of washboard, cymbals, whistles and horns.



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Hiskett was introduced to the musical possibilities of a washboard in 1976 while working on a degree in landscape architecture. And four years later, walking through an antique show, he remembered that experience and bought his first board. Over time the persona of Washboard Willy was born.

"It was in Eureka Springs, Ark., that I saw Washboard Bill playing with a band called Corn Bread. As a percussionist I was fascinated and thought, I could do that," Willy said. "To cut a long story short, I've been doing this for 20 years and absolutely love being part of the fair industry."

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There's never enough goats

By John E. Swayze
Times-News correspondent

Seen one goat you've seen them all, right? Not until you've watched the Twin Falls County Fair pygmy goat competition.

Originating in Africa, this smaller — 16 to 23 inches tall at the withers — compact breed was imported from Europe and became popular in the United States in the 1950s. Cricket Stirling, a leader in the Foothill Lads and Lasses 4-H Club has been raising and showing pygmy goats for several years. Along with daily

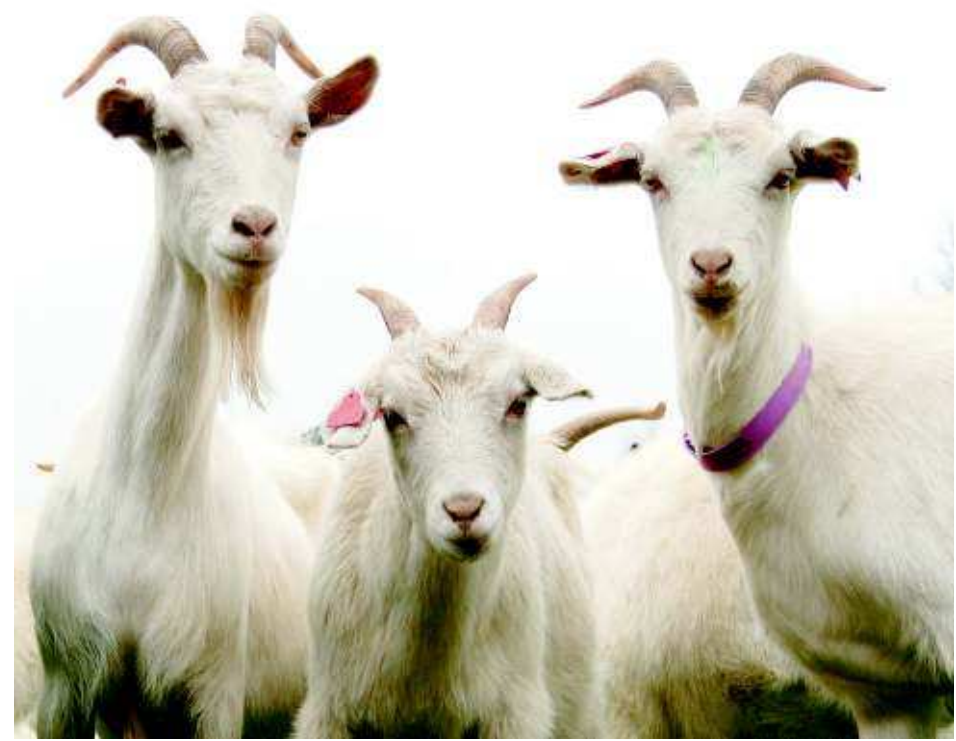
exercise, special diets are a must.

"Pygmies are selective eaters, feeding on mostly alfalfa with a supplement of vitamins and minerals," Stirling said. "This is something fun we can enjoy doing as a family. I've never had one in open showing at the fair."

This year's pygmy goat competition, scheduled to be held on Friday and Saturday at 4 p.m., includes 17 separate quality classes categorizing each goat by age. A well-trained and conditioned goat should

easily maneuver the ring while on a leash and demonstrate the National Pygmy Goat Association standards of color, coat health and physical conformation.

A showmanship round, with four classes, also exhibits the handler's ability and knowledge. Winners who place in the top five of each quality class will receive from \$1 to \$5, and the first three finishers in both quality and showmanship will be awarded trophies or medallions. The fifth class in showmanship will be the grand and reserve



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Showcasing animals is a tradition at the county fair



Times-News file photos

By John E. Swayze
Times-News correspondent

The Twin Falls County Fair has a 93-year tradition of showcasing animals of both the great and small variety. One of the newest additions to the lineup is the cavia porcellus or guinea pig.

Kayleen Daston, a leader in the Kimberly Foothill Lads and Lassies 4-H Club, says eight members are preparing to enter their 1.5- to 2.5-pound furry pets — commonly known as cavies — in quality and showmanship competition during the fair.

“Guinea pigs have been part of the fair for at least three years, but it’s really kind of a new thing in this state,” Daston said. “Idaho tends to focus more on larger animals and we’re the only club in the Magic Valley with part of our membership working with cavies.”

The quality round of competition, where judges assess physical appearance and health, is divided into eight class levels determined by the guinea pig’s age. Competitors who place in the top five slots of each class are awarded a cash prize of \$6 to \$10. The eighth class is grand and reserve champion overall cavy.

Showmanship classes

focus on the 4-H members age, appearance and ability to demonstrate a knowledge of and proper care for their pet. Trophies and ribbons are awarded in showmanship. Competition will be held on Sunday at 2 p.m.



Come face-to-face with the Idaho 'gators

By John E. Swayze
Times-News correspondent

The Twin Falls County Fair is giving audiences the chance to come face-to-face with one of the oldest-living predatory species on earth — the American alligator.

During fair week, Florida-based Wildlife Entertainment and Education will present Kachunga and the Alligator Show. Watch as real bushmen pit their wits and brawn against nine-foot, 300-pound animals with

more than 150 million years worth of survival instinct. One wrong move could have serious consequences for handlers.

Started in 1982, three of the show’s five units travel the United States and Canada educating school children and increasing public awareness on these unique and fascinating fresh water creatures that were once on the brink of extinction.

This year will be the second time in about eight

years that Kachunga and his alligators have been an attraction at the county fairs.

“They had a couple of different alligators and took a baby around so people could touch it,” said Twin Falls County Fair Manager John Pitz.

“There are only so many of these type of acts around before you begin the cycle over again, but we’ve had lions and birds-of-prey and the bleachers were full every show.”



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From antiques to art for the home

By Blair Koch
Times-News correspondent

Filer Mutual Telephone Company is celebrating its centennial, and it’s also President Abraham Lincoln’s 200th birthday.

Both momentous occasions can be reflected on during the fair. Just check out the Antique building for memorabilia ranging from advertising to post cards.

“We like to have special sections in the building that change every year, so people can bring items they want to share,” said Antique Department Superintendent Claudia Reese.

Another special section within the building is the

“Displays.” This class was developed for people with larger collections of antiques.

Reese expects a knife display, collection of sacred Indian artifacts and an antique pottery cache, among others.

“The displays have been a pretty big thing,” she said. After browsing the antiques, swing in next door and learn a new skill during one of many demonstrations in the Home Arts building.

The demonstrations take place from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Wednesday through Saturday.

Antoinette Ayers, of Buhl, is lining up knitters to edu-

cate others on the legacy home craft on Saturday.

“We’ll have some yarn and needles there and invite anyone to sit with us and give knitting a try. You never know when you could spark an interest that will turn into a lifetime hobby,” Ayers said.

Other demonstrations include ceramics on Wednesday, quilting on Thursday and decorative arts on Friday.

“It isn’t about promoting a certain shop,” said Home Arts Superintendent Kathleen Lunte.

“It’s just a chance to observe a craft and, if you’re interested, learn a little more about it.”

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