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Car plunges into canyon



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An Idaho State Police officer looks over the Jerome County side of the Snake River Canyon rim Monday at a car that plunged more than 200 feet to the river bank below.

ISP: Driver killed in crash

By Eric Larsen Times-News writer

JEROME — A brown and white female bulldog wearing a pink collar awaited the return of its owner at the top of the Yingst Road grade Monday afternoon.

More than 200 feet below, Idaho State Police and Jerome County law enforcement officials milled around the dark husk of an automobile that entombed its unidentified driver, who plunged the car off the north rim of the Snake River Canyon west of the Jerome Country Club.

An Idaho State Police press release sent at 9:50 p.m. confirmed that

troopers were investigating the fatal crash involving a tan Chevrolet Suburban with a solo occupant.

"The vehicle went off the shoulder of the roadway for reasons which are still unknown, coming to rest at the bottom of the canyon," the release states. "The driver was alone and died at the scene."

More than 16 service vehicles from ISP, Jerome County Sheriff's Search and Rescue, and the Jerome Police Department were at the scene shortly before 6 p.m., half of them traveling down the grade toward the vehicle's resting place about 150 yards west of the Auger Falls Bridge.

The bulldog, found wandering in the area at about 6:15 p.m., was deemed relevant by officials at the scene and leashed to a Jerome County sheriff's cruiser before it was taken to the Jerome Animal Shelter in the back

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A law enforcement official sits by the remnants of the car that drove over the northern rim of the Snake River Canyon on Monday.



WATCH a video from the crash scene.

Fires doused near Shoshone

Controlled burns expected in October

By Nate Poppino Times-News writer

Two Sunday afternoon fires that spread across more than 3,500 acres south of Shoshone were fully under control by Monday evening, fire officials said.

Meanwhile, residents of Blaine and Camas counties should expect to see plumes of smoke within the next month, but shouldn't worry — the fires will be prescribed burns performed as part of projects on federal land.

The Power Station and Substation fires started just south of milepost 67 on U.S. Highway 93 and headed east, burning 3,500 and 72 acres, respectively, before fire crews from the U.S. Bureau of Land Management and a variety of rural fire districts halted

them. The smaller Substation Fire was controlled late Sunday night, but the larger blaze took until 6 p.m. Monday evening to be controlled, said BLM spokeswoman Barbara Bassler.

Both fires burned within the 45,000-acre scar caused by 2007's Red Bridge Fire, which rushed up to the edge of Shoshone. Though they would have eventually hit a feedlot and other structures south of Dietrich, both were stopped before any structures were actually threatened, as far as Bassler was aware.

"The only thing it even got near was maybe some haystacks," she said of Power Station. "It's not like the Red Bridge."

The fire, the largest south-central Idaho has seen this summer, is a reminder that the fire season isn't over and that dry grasses and other fuels can still easily light up, Bassler said. But as October nears, officials with the BLM

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Bureau of Land Management firefighter Ryan McPherson, right, mops up the Power Station fire Monday near Shoshone. The 3,500-acre fire was controlled by 6 p.m., Monday.

Cold front expected to lead to storms, first frost

By Nate Poppino Times-News writer

Thunderstorms, snow and the year's first frost: All are expected to show up this week as fall suddenly arrives in the Magic Valley.

The National Weather Service is predicting Monday's highs in the upper 80s to plunge to just around 50 degrees by Wednesday, a change of almost 40 degrees that likely signals the end of sum-

mer in the region. The change is the result of a cold front that should move into the area this afternoon and send lows to around freezing, said David Groenert with the federal agency. Besides warning residents

of the thunderstorms and high-elevation snow likely to appear, meteorologists also want to make sure farmers, gardeners and recreationists are ready for the changing weather. Frost is likely across the entire

region early Thursday morning, and though it won't necessarily be a hard frost, it will be enough to kill plants if they're not covered up, Groenert said. The frost will arrive about one week later than average.

People planning to spend time farther north in the mountains should be prepared for colder conditions as well. At the very least, a couple of inches of light

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Climate-change study cites role of ancient farming

By David A. Fahrenthold The Washington Post

Has climate change been around as long as the pyramids?

It is an odd-sounding idea, because the problem is usually assumed to be a modern one, the product of a world created by the Industrial Revolution and powered by high-polluting fossil fuels.

But a professor emeritus at the University of Virginia has suggested that people began altering the climate thousands of years ago, as primitive farmers burned forests and built methane-bubbling rice paddies. The practices produced enough greenhouse gases, he says, to warm the world by a

"Those tens of millions (of people) had the impact of hundreds of millions, because per person, they had 10 times the impact."

— William Ruddiman, professor emeritus at the University of Virginia

degree or more.

Other scientists, however, have said the idea is deeply flawed and might be used to dampen modern alarms over climate change.

Understanding the debate requires a tour through polar ice sheets, the inner workings of the carbon molecule, the farming habits of 5,000-year-old Europeans and trapped air bubbles more ancient than Rome.

"The greenhouse gases went up, and they should

have gone down" many thousands of years ago, said U-Va.'s William Ruddiman. "Why did that happen?"

His answer is based on circumstantial evidence. Ruddiman said two events in world history — an apparent shift in the composition of the atmosphere and the first explosion of human agriculture — took place at nearly the same time.

"Greenhouse gases do

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T.F. council approves rate increases, Armenian plaque

By Nate Poppino Times-News writer

The Twin Falls City Council narrowly approved a request for a controversial plaque and reluctantly raised water rates by 12 percent at its regular meeting Monday evening.

The plaque, first proposed earlier this year, will memorialize the Armenian Genocide — when the Ottoman Empire in 1915 systematically killed much of the Armenian population living in what is now Turkey.

Members of the Armenian community in Twin Falls proposed donating both the plaque and a tree to be placed in City Park to commemorate the event, which

among others led to their emigration to the U.S. But the proposal ran afoul of a recently revised city policy that requires memorials to directly tie into Twin Falls history.

The request made it to the council once in August before it was sent back to the Parks and Recreation Commission for further review. That commission tried to tweak the plaque's wording in an objectionable way, said Liyah Babayan, speaking for the Armenian community. But after a lengthy debate Monday evening about both city policy and recognizing the event as genocide, council members approved a revised version by a 4-3 vote that

Babayan said is acceptable.

The final plaque wording will include both the word "genocide" and a reference to the contributions the Armenians have made to Twin Falls. Council members Will Kezele, Lee Heider and David E. Johnson all voted against it.

"I think it's very appropriate" and a realistic compromise, Babayan said. She added that she hopes to install the plaque and tree in the next couple of months, in plenty of time for the April 24 annual remembrance of the event.

Also Monday, two city residents questioned the proposed water-rate

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Copper Ranch health club gets fourth building extension

By Ariel Hansen
Times-News writer

HAILEY — A promising eyesore. That's how one member of the public summed up the health and fitness facility at the Copper Ranch development in the Woodside neighborhood of Hailey, at a Monday meeting where a fourth extension of the facility's building permit was requested.

The facility, which has been under construction since fall 2006, is 70 percent complete, said developer Jeff Smith, CEO of Lido Equities of Beverly Hills, Calif.

Improvements to the exterior, the construction-site appearance of which Woodside residents have consistently complained about, can't be completed until internal work is done.



The empty shell and construction site of the Copper Ranch development's health and fitness club in the Woodside neighborhood of Hailey has been a cause for neighbor complaints for more than a year. As a condition of extending the developer's building permit a fourth time, the Hailey City Council on Monday required that landscaping improvements and clean-up be done on the site.

ARIEL HANSEN/Times-News

oper to come back in a month and describe, with pictures, how the exterior of the site will be improved to allay neighbor concerns. If they aren't satisfied, council members said, they could rescind the extension.

"Let's assume it might look this way longer than any of us may wish or anticipate," said Councilwoman Martha Burke, acknowledging the challenges the club faces in a down economy.

"We all share that hope, but if it doesn't look good to the neighbors, at some point we're going to have to yank it," said Councilman Fritz Haemmerle. "This has been less than attractive for far too long."

Smith said his company has been working to improve the site for the past two weeks, and will continue to do so to make the health club less of an eyesore.

Potential funding and club partners have fallen through, Smith said, leaving him without the funds to complete the building.

"I apologize for it taking so long, but the market has been dismal," Smith said. "We are certainly in no way abandoning that site."

Negotiations, including with a national health club chain he declined to name, are ongoing, he said, but the health club's building permit expires Wednesday. If it were allowed to lapse and a new one applied for, additional inspections and other expenses would be required.

Smith asked the Hailey City Council to extend it for 180 days; there is no statutory limit on the number of times an extension request may be applied for.

"Four extensions, it's enough for that neighborhood to deal with," said Hailey resident Peter Lobb.

However, he recommended the council approve the fourth extension because to not do so could put the future of the project in jeopardy. "I think you're going to have to give it to them and hope for the best."

The council did more than hope. It required the devel-

T.F. county commissioners shift quarters to new space

Move is temporary during courthouse remodel

By Pat Marcantonio
Times-News writer

Twin Falls County Commissioner George Urie returned from a weeklong conference Monday to a new corner office on the third floor of the county courthouse.

With large windows on two sides, the view is very good. But the county commissioner chairman knows it's only temporary.

The commissioners were moved from their fourth-floor office as part of \$450,000 remodel, which should be completed in two months. Everything is on schedule, but there have been changes and more

money spent, such as dealing with asbestos tile found under carpet on the third floor, Urie said. That added another \$4,000 to the costs.

The project basically gives the prosecutor most of the third and fourth floors in which to expand. Eventually, the commissioners will move to the downtown clinic for St. Luke's Magic Valley on Shoshone Street. That won't happen until the hospital offices leave when the new hospital is finished in 2011 on Pole Line Road. That means, the commissioners remain on the third floor until January 2012, Urie said.

"It was never designed for our use," he said.

When the commissioners do move out, the conference room used for their meetings will be used for grand juries. The offices they inhabit will be used for victims' coordination.

The asbestos tile wasn't the only surprise.

"There were several little things we had to do mainly because it was an old building," said Commissioner Terry Kramer. Among them was piping for old restrooms. "You don't know what's in those walls."

The commissioners do like the look, which echoes



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courthouse history. Suspended ceilings were removed to show the rounded corners of the original architecture. Shaded windows added in the 1970s gave way to original sized, but energy-efficient windows. But they weren't cheap. The project was initially estimated at around \$380,000 but increased with the cost for the windows.

Quirks are still showing up. For instance, when the

morning, the place echoed, Kramer said.

"It will be nice to have private office," he added, compared it to the cubicles in their old office.

The commissioners did vote that the chairman got the corner office.

Where's Crump

Steve Crump is on vacation. His column will return Friday.



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Kathryn Goldman, project manager for Wood River Land Trust, points to a poster on Saturday as she explains elements of the application that her organization and the city of Ketchum's Parks and Recreation Department have in the works for the Hulen Meadows area north of Ketchum.

Multiple uses considered for Hulen Meadows plans

By Ariel Hansen
Times-News writer

KETCHUM — Fly fishermen, dog walkers, whitewater kayakers, kids fascinated by bugs — they're all among the interest groups that planners for Hulen Meadows are considering as they create a proposal to bring the Big Wood River area under the city of Ketchum's umbrella.

The land, which belongs to the Bureau of Land Management, includes a stretch of river a few miles north of Ketchum, as well as an area of still water usually described as a pond.

The pond, created decades ago during highway construction as a catch basin, is fed primarily by groundwater rather than water from the connected river. This may be the crux of a problem — when water levels are low, the amount of water needed to keep the man-made pond full will likely require water rights. Until this problem is solved,

plans for improvements involving the pond may have to be put on hold.

These plans, which also may include changes to the river itself, are part of a Recreation and Public Purpose Act application to the BLM. With the Wood River Land Trust behind it, Ketchum's Parks and Recreation Department could gain control of Hulen Meadows if the application is approved. The department already supports recreation there, with employees visiting the area daily during high-use seasons.

On Saturday, representatives from the land trust, Ketchum, Trout Unlimited and whitewater park proponents held an open house in Hulen Meadows to talk to the public about these plans and to gather information about how people most often use the area.

John Finnell, of Ketchum, came to the event with a particular interest in fishing, but was excited to see some

of the other potential uses.

"This place is full of people using it on an ad-hoc basis," he said. "People vote with their feet, and it's a clear opportunity for people to enhance activities right in close" to Ketchum.

He said he is aware, though, that like most things in government, the process won't be quick.

"There's not going to be any yea or nay until 2010," said Kathryn Goldman, project manager for the land trust, referring to the application to the BLM. And it could be years after that before any project ideas are realized on the ground.

"We want to make sure we take the time, take the energy, to do the right studies, to get something that will be loved by people for a long time," said Scott Boettger, executive director of the land trust.

His organization is set to return Monday to the Ketchum City Council to present its findings from the open house and to give an

update on the process.

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Olander and crew win America's Best Dance Crew

Times-News

Twin Falls native Riquel Olander, 22, and her dance crew We Are Heroes won first place in the MTV reality show competition "Randy Jackson Presents America's Best Dance Crew."

The finale, which aired Sunday night, featured Olander and fellow dancers Hiroka McRae, Mami Kanemitsu, Ali Iannucci and Nichelle Threwer. We Are Heroes

defeated eight other teams to become the first all-girl crew to win the show, which is in its fourth season. For winning, the five received \$100,000 and the Golden B-Boy trophy.

Olander grew up in Twin Falls and moved to Los Angeles to pursue a career in dance. She and her sister Keesha Olander have danced for Jamie Foxx, Kanye West and Tyrese.

Watch for Friday's story in the *Times-News* Entertainment section.

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Mountain Rides sets budget, looks toward T.F. bus route

By Karen Bossick
Times-News correspondent

KETCHUM — The Mountain Rides Transportation Authority board on Wednesday approved a \$4.85 million budget for its operating year.

A little more than \$2 million of that will be used for capital funds during the fiscal year, which starts in October. The

other \$2.8 million will be used for general operations, said the bus transportation organization's executive director, Jason Miller.

Mountain Rides, which provides bus service for the Wood River Valley, hopes to start running a bus between Twin Falls and Sun Valley in early 2010 with stops in Shoshone, said Gene Daniels, the organization's business

manger. That possibility is still in the planning stages but Mountain Rides would like to start it in January or February, he said.

Currently the transportation agency operates a 15-passenger van fleet between Twin Falls and Sun Valley, available to the public through a monthly subscription.

The bus would run like city

buses, allowing people to hop on for a single ride. The fee hasn't been set yet but would probably cost between \$8 and \$10 per ride. Currently, it costs \$3 to take a Mountain Rides bus from Bellevue to Ketchum.

"We're hopeful it would generate more interest in people coming up the valley. It would also allow people from here to run down to Twin Falls

for doctor's appointments and other errands," Daniels said.

In other news, Carey School won Mountain Rides' International Walk or Bike to School Day competition on Wednesday, with 39 percent of the students biking or walking to school.

Coming in second among Blaine County Schools was Hailey Elementary School, with 19 percent participation.

Only about 16 percent of overall county students participated this year, down from 36 percent last year, said Danielle Travers, Mountain Rides' bike and pedestrian coordinator.

Travers attributed at least some of the drop-off to the fact that she had just assumed the position and hadn't had a chance to rally support for the event.

AS HARD AS IT LOOKS



KAREN BOSSICK/For the Times-News

Trey McIntyre Project dancer Jason Hartley leads about 30 people through a free dance workshop at the Sun Valley Pavilion recently. The dance group, which performed in Sun Valley last week, offered a variety of clinics and smaller performances throughout the week.

Dance group takes area residents through the paces

By Karen Bossick
Times-News correspondent

SUN VALLEY — The dancers were stunning in their masks and white gloves as they moved around the stage of the Sun Valley Pavilion, performing funky moves to music by a New Orleans band.

But it was the imagery of a different sort that will stick with Wood River Valley students like Alexandra Haupt, Dylan Peterson and Britta Gaeddert.

The three were among a handful of students from Footlight Dance Centre and the Sun Valley Ballet School who were invited to join the professional dance company from Boise in a recent dance class.

They grimaced as McIntyre urged them and others participants to dig deeper than they'd ever gone before, their muscles strain-

ing in ways they'd never been challenged.

Then they watched as the dancers rehearsed for their performance at the Sun Valley Pavilion, alternating between graceful moves that sliced through the air and choppy, raw moves more reminiscent of the Keystone Kops.

"I was in awe," said Haupt. "Their extension, their strength — they're superhumans."

The Trey McIntyre Project offered several such opportunities to Wood River Valley residents during the week it spent in Sun Valley.

Dancers staged impromptu performances in the streets, performing bit pieces outside the grocery store and coffee shops.

They staged a class for two dozen of the valley's more advanced dancers, in addition to the class the girls took part in.

And they held a free noon-hour movement workshop on the Sun Valley Pavilion stage open to all comers, whether or not they had dance experience.

"We like to give the communities we perform in a better sense of art in the process," said dancer John Michael Schert, executive director of the group. "We think they get a better understanding and appreciation of what we do that way."

Some of those who took part in the movement workshop on the Pavilion stage gritted their teeth, holding their breath as they performed the moves; others appeared to be at ease.

"Something so simple as pointing your toe out becomes something like this," dance instructor Jason Hartley said, striking his pointed toe on the floor. "Then it becomes some-

thing like this and this," he said, adding to the initial move until he was leaping in the air.

The number of people watching the creative movement workshop matched the 30 or so dancers on stage.

Among them was Shelley Coben, who was watching for her daughter, Faith, a longtime dance student now in college in Eugene, Ore.

"They always teach you to learn from the best," said Coben. "You repeat those movements over and over and then your body programs itself to move at its peak efficiency."

Footlight Dance Centre Director Hilarie Neely, herself a former professional dancer, said the experience of working with the Project was one her students would never forget.

"They see what they're working for and how much harder they have to work to come up to that level," she said. "It's inspiring because now they see what hard work can lead to."

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COMMUNITY NEWS

Toastmasters meeting is today

Toastmasters District 15, Area B4 will hold a humorous and evaluation speech contest at 6:30 tonight at the Addison West Restaurant, 348 Addison Ave., Twin Falls.

Contestants from area Toastmasters clubs will compete to advance to the district's area contest. The public is welcome.

Information: tftoastmasters@gmail.com.

Blaine Co. Rec. to host 'Recess from School' activities

The Blaine County Recreation District will host two days of activities on Thursday and Friday while Blaine County schools are out for teacher in-service days.

"Recess from School" is a drop-in program, held from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. at the HUB Youth Center at the Community Campus in Hailey. Children should wear clothing suitable for play and appropriate for outdoor activity.

The cost of the program is \$35 per child, with a sibling discount available.

Information: www.bcrd.org, or 788-2117.

CSI North side offers new classes

The following classes will start soon at the College of Southern Idaho North Side Center.

Knit One, Felt Too: Instructor Pat Hamilton will teach basic stitches, sizing and how to prepare for the felting process to knit an oversized bag using wool yarn.

The class will meet from 7 to 9 p.m. Mondays and Wednesdays, Oct. 19 to Nov. 2, at the North Side Center. The course fee is \$25 plus supplies purchased from the instructor at the first class session.

Car Care Basics: Instructor David Philips, an ASE-certified technician, will detail what maintenance you can do yourself and what should be done by a trained technician.

Class will meet from 7 to 9 p.m., Oct. 14 at the North Side Center.

The course fee is \$20.

Information: 934-8678

or visit the North Side Center, 202 14th Ave. E., Gooding.

Bliss school plans carnival/auction

Bliss Elementary School will host a school dinner, carnival and auction from 5 to 8 p.m., Oct. 30.

Dinner is a potato and salad bar. Cost is \$10 per family, \$7 per couple and \$5 per person. Kids can wear their Halloween costumes to the carnival.

Blaine Co. Rec. awarded grant

The Blaine County Recreation District recently received a \$10,000 grant from the Idaho Community Foundation's Deer Creek Fund to purchase new fitness equipment and supplies for its facilities in Hailey.

"It will not only help us introduce new fitness opportunities within the centrally located Community Campus, but it will help us maximize the value of our existing facilities and use our space more effectively," BCRD Recreation Director Dave Keir said of the grant.

Funding will help pay for programs at the new BCRD Fitness Studio, including the addition of spinning classes.

Society to celebrate Basque history

The Lincoln County Historical Society will present the history of the Basque culture in Lincoln County and the state during a free presentation by John Bieter.

After the presentation, participants are invited to tour a Basque boarding house and taste the Basque cuisine prepared by the Gooding Basque Association.

The event takes place at 3 p.m., Saturday at Lincoln County Community Center, 201 S. Beverly St., Shoshone. Tickets for the tour and dinner are \$12 adults, \$6 children and \$30 family.

Information: Lincoln County Historical Society, 886-7787, or Lisa Cresswell, 731-8127

— Staff reports

We want your community news

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Vitamins and supplements are not food replacement

DEAR DR. GOTT: I am an 80-year-old woman who weighed 369 pounds at age 42. I lost most of the weight with Weight Watchers, but couldn't maintain it with their program. Then I found Overeaters Anonymous 22 years ago and have maintained my current weight of 115 pounds for around 15 years.

ASK
DR. GOTT
Dr. Peter Gott



My problem now is that I find the amount of food my sponsor wants me to eat is too much. Every day, I eat 8 ounces of Greek yogurt, 8 ounces of blueberries, 1/2

cup shredded wheat and black coffee for breakfast. I have a large apple, 1 tablespoon of peanut butter and black or green tea for lunch. For dinner, I have 8 ounces of Greek yogurt, 4 ounces of blueberries and a large apple.

Is this enough? I take a lot of vitamins and supplements recommended by my doctor. These include

calcium with vitamin D, vitamin C with rose hips, vitamin E, zinc, selenium, beta carotene, aspirin, fish oil, magnesium with chelated zinc and Ocuvite with Lutein. I also take a few prescriptions including atenolol (owing to a rapid heartbeat), furosemide (one tablet twice a week) and Klor-Con 8 (twice a week). I consider myself in good

health other than the occasional rapid heartbeat, which the atenolol seems to be controlling. Thank you for any help you can provide.

DEAR READER: Your diet is inappropriate. It is unbalanced, and, therefore, is not providing you with adequate nutrition. You are not taking in enough protein, you don't eat any veg-

etables, and your grain/carbohydrate consumption is miniscule.

For proper health, you need proper nutrition. This isn't to say you should eat more, but you do need to diversify what you eat. Eating the same five foods and two beverages every day is inappropriate. I urge

See DR. GOTT, Main 6

Lester H. Piper

BURLEY — Lester H. Piper, age 92, of Burley, passed away Sunday, Sept. 27, 2009, at the Warren House in Burley.

Lester was born Jan. 21, 1917, in Ogden, Utah, the son of George Henry and Anna Stasia Piper. The family moved to Heyburn in 1922, where his father was engaged in farming. They moved across the river to Burley while he was in high school and where Lester has since resided. He married Cleo Baker on Sept. 2, 1930. She passed away in 2004. Lester served in the United States Army Air Force from 1943 to 1946 during World War II. He worked many years at the Cassia National Bank in Burley until his retirement.

He is survived by one daughter, René (Ferril) King of Heyburn; nine grandchildren; and 29 great-grandchildren. Preceding him in death was



his wife, Cleo; one daughter, Sharon (Jay) Black of Almo; one great-granddaughter, Tai Garner of Burley; three brothers; and four sisters.

The funeral will be held at 11 a.m. Wednesday, Sept. 30, at the Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St. in Burley, where friends and family may call one hour prior to the service. Burial will be in the Pleasant View Cemetery.

Theodore 'Ted' Gregory Wasko Sr.

KIMBERLY — Theodore "Ted" Gregory Wasko Sr., 78, died at his home in Kimberly, surrounded by his loving family. He entertained everyone with his unique sense of humor until the end.

Ted and his twin brother, Steve, were born in Dinsmore, Alaska, to Frank Wasko and Mary Chantos Wasko. He grew up on the farm helping out wherever he was needed, and when not needed on the farm, he attended school. He served two years in the Army in the Infantry Division in Panama. He spent some time in Detroit with his sisters before moving to Idaho. He was a "master" blacksmith for more than 50 years, one of the last of his kind.

He married Avis Onita Lovaas on his 27th birthday, Nov. 9, 1957. They moved to Kimberly in 1963. He and his brother were partners in the Wasko's Blacksmith and Welding Shop until Steve moved in 1968. Ted worked at the shop until the week before he died. He was the "village" Blacksmith in Kimberly — a talented "engineer" inventing tools and machinery whenever folks needed something made.

He loved his community serving as a city council member for more than 25 years. He loved spending time hunting and fishing with his family, spending much of his free time in God's beautiful creation. He loved playing games, especially cards and going to Jackpot, Nev. He bowled for many years and enjoyed spending time with family and friends.

First and foremost, Ted was a very spiritual person. He was a member of St. Edward's The Confessor Catholic Church. He was a



member of the Knights of Columbus for 54 years, serving as grand knight and 4th Degree. He loved God and his church with special devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the rosary. His motto was: "If you gain the whole world and lose your soul in the process, what worth is it?"

He was known and loved for his honesty, never afraid to state the truth as he knew it. He lived a humble life and set a wonderful example for all. He often said, "Work like you're living forever, and pray like you will die today."

He was preceded in death by his wife, Avis O. Wasko; parents, Frank and Mary Wasko; great-grandchild, Kendall Cooper; 15 of 17 siblings; and many other family members and close friends. He is survived by his sons, Ted (Alyce) Wasko Jr. and Tony (Shannon) Wasko, both of Kimberly; daughters, Debbie (Milt) Cochrane of Blackfoot and Sue (Steve) Spafford of Meridian; sisters, Francie Juszczuk and Elizabeth Reinke, both of Michigan; 11 grandchildren; nine great-grandchildren; countless family members and friends; and his funny dog, Tina.

In lieu of flowers, please keep Ted in your prayers and donate to any pro-life charity of your choice.

Special thank you to Father Mike St. Marie, John Wasko, Mary Garcia, Hospice Visions, Dick's Pharmacy and all who sent food, love and prayers.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 10 a.m. Friday, Oct. 2, at St. Edward's Catholic Church in Twin Falls. A vigil and rosary service will be at 7 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 1, at Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Road in Twin Falls.

David Drage

HEYBURN — David Ned Drage, age 61, of Heyburn, peacefully passed away Saturday, Sept. 26, 2009.

He was born Oct. 1, 1947, in Burley, the son of Max and June Peterson Drage. He was a graduate of Mimico High School and completed his education at Utah State University in Logan, Utah. David joined the U.S. Army following college and served as a tail gunner during Vietnam until he was wounded. After his military service, he went to camera repair school and began his career as a camera repair technician. His love for bicycling later led him into the bicycle repair business. He enjoyed the outdoors where he spent countless hours bicycling. He was very gifted with his hands and enjoyed woodworking, especially making knives.

David is survived by his mother, June Drage of Heyburn; three brothers, Dale Max (Marcia) Drage of



Rupert, Ronald Dennis (Kathleen) Drage of Moscow and Kurt Kelly (Tamara) Drage of Heyburn; and several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his father, Max Drage.

A graveside service will be held at 11 a.m. Friday, Oct. 2, at the Pleasant View Cemetery in Burley, where friends and family may gather prior to the service.

Arrangements have been entrusted to the care of the Rasmussen Funeral Home of Burley.

Carol Billington Slaven

Carol Billington Slaven, 76, of Twin Falls, died Friday, Sept. 25, 2009, at River Ridge Care and Rehab Center in Twin Falls.

Carol was born July 11, 1933, at Paul, to Jesse Quinn and Ethel Higley Billington. Carol graduated from Pocatello High School in 1951 and went on to attend three years of college. Carol had five children, Evelyn, Gregory, David, Ann and Marilyn. She worked for a time as a chiropractic assistant and in bookkeeping. Carol was a very active member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. She was also a member of the Daughters of Utah Pioneers. Carol married Gene Slaven on Sept. 1, 1984, at Fresno, Calif.

Carol is survived by her husband, Gene Slaven of Twin Falls; her children,



Evelyn (Michael) Rasmussen of California, David Swanson of Utah, Ann Putnam of Utah and Marilyn Swanson of California; her stepchildren, Donna (Roger) Allen and Darrell (Lori) Slaven, all of California, and Danny Slaven and Dwayne (Holly) Slaven, all of Arizona; six grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; her sister, Nadine (Richard) Stosich of Twin Falls; and her brother-in-law, Kenneth (Barbara) Slaven of California. She was preceded in death by her parents and a son, Gregory Swanson.

A graveside service will be held for Carol at 2 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 30, at Sunset Memorial Park. Bishop David Thomas will officiate. Services are under the direction of Serenity Funeral Chapel of Twin Falls.

Goldeen Ann Patterson

Goldeen Ann Patterson of Twin Falls, passed away Saturday, Sept. 26, 2009, at her residence in Twin Falls.

She was born at the family farm Feb. 26, 1937, in Syracuse, Neb. She was the youngest of four children from her parents, Jess E. Martin and Effie Alice Martin. She was raised and attended school in Syracuse, Neb. She met and married Charles Andrew Bailey Sr. in September 1955. They had six children. The couple later divorced, and Goldeen moved to Twin Falls in 1965, where she worked at Fray National Laundry Service for a brief time.

Goldeen then met and married Joseph Albert Patterson Jr. in 1967. The couple had one son. Together they raised six children until Joseph's untimely death in 1983. Since his passing, she has spent her time enjoying family and friends, her K-9 companions, and her "who done it" programs.

Goldeen was preceded in



death by her mother; father; husband, Joseph Patterson Jr.; two sisters, Lorena Evans and Virginia Mockenfropt; and a baby daughter, Melonie Mai Bailey. She is survived by

three daughters, Kimberly Freeman of Nampa, and Nina (Bill) Brander and Jessie Bailey, both of Twin Falls; three sons, Charles Bailey Jr. and Robert (Rhonda) Patterson, both of Twin Falls, and Michael (Kathryn) Bailey of Salmon; one brother, Bob Martin of Brighton, Colo.; 23 grandchildren; 27 great-grandchildren; numerous nieces and nephews; and last but not least, her companions Missey, Spot and Fluffy.

Visitation will be held from 5 to 7 p.m. Friday, Oct. 2, at Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Road in Twin Falls.

A service will be held at 10 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 3, at Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home, with graveside service following at Sunset Memorial Park in Twin Falls.

Ruby Carlson Wyatt

Ruby Carlson Wyatt, 86, a lifelong resident of Twin Falls, passed away Friday, Sept. 25, 2009.

Ruby was born Jan. 18, 1923, to Herbert and Mary Carlson. She was the youngest of six siblings with five older brothers. Ruby grew up in the Magic Valley, where her family farmed. She graduated from Twin Falls High School in 1946. Ruby moved to Portland, Ore., and then to Los Angeles during the war years. She was very proud of the fact she was one of the first women tellers at Bank of America in Los Angeles. She then returned to Twin Falls, where she met and later married the love of her life, Wayne Wyatt, on June 20, 1948. They had two daughters.

Ruby loved being a homemaker and mother. When the girls were young, she was involved in Bluebirds, Girl Scouts, 4-H and Job's Daughters. Her greatest joy was spending time with her grandchildren. Ruby was a very active member of the community.

She was involved with the Republican Party, Daughters of the Nile, Order of Eastern Star, PEO, and an active member of the First Presbyterian Church. Ruby was a fabulous cook and loved to share her recipes. Everyone enjoyed eating Ruby's food. Her delicious recipes continue to be served on many tables today.



Ruby will always be remembered for her optimistic attitude, her kindness toward others and always finding the best in every situation. Life's little pleasures meant the most to her. Her bright and happy spirit will be greatly missed by her family and large circle of friends.

Ruby is preceded in death by her parents and five older brothers, Tanis, Russell, Harland, Morris and Grant; and nephew, Bob.

She is survived by her husband of 61 years, Wayne Wyatt; daughters, Christine (Dennis) Nagel and Julie (Gale) Carpenter; grandchildren, Mike Nagel, Kimberly Nagel and Chance Carpenter. Ruby had an extremely close relationship with many nieces and nephews, whom she dearly loved.

A celebration of her life will take place at 11 a.m. Friday, Oct. 2, at the First Presbyterian Church in Twin Falls. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the PEO foundation (Philanthropic Education Organization), in care of Barb Hardy, 224 Oak Creek Circle, Twin Falls, ID 83301, the First Presbyterian Church or a charity of your choice.

Dr. Gott

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you to make an appointment to discuss your diet with a certified nutritionist. He or she can help you devise a more appropriate and varied meal plan that will provide adequate nutrients while maintaining a healthful weight.

My other concern is that you are taking a diuretic and potassium supplements twice a week. If this is because of high blood pressure, they are probably not doing you any good. Hypertension that requires treatment should be treated with daily medication. Furosemide is also used for

congestive heart failure and certain kidney and liver disorders that cause fluid retention. If this is your case, it is important to have a proper diet.

I am disappointed that your physician has pushed supplements rather than helping you get adequate nutrition through diet. With proper meal planning, you should be able to eliminate most of your nonprescription pills. A good multivitamin and a calcium plus D supplement should be enough when you are taking in proper nutrients from food. Supplements are not meant to take the place of eating right.

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“Sarah Palin is a big draw for a reason: Her message resonates with Americans.”
 — Gail Gitcho, spokeswoman for the Republican National Committee, who called Palin a galvanizing figure and an influential voice in the GOP

EDITORIAL

Please make it stop: Send Bengals to Division II

Idaho State University won't do it on its own, so maybe it's time the State Board of Education forcefully suggested that the Bengals aren't a NCAA Division I-caliber athletic program anymore.

The football team, which has lost 45 of its last 59 games, is 0-4 this season and has been outscored 195-42. The men's basketball team has had one winning season in the past 20.

Our view:

At least Idaho State University's football team is consistent: It loses to big football programs such as Arizona State and Oklahoma and small ones to like Central Washington.

Students — in the form of fees — pick up much of the cost, but the coaches are paid mostly by the taxpayers.

Which means Idahoans are subsidizing arguably the weakest Division I athletic program in the country.

What's the purpose of continuing this? ISU would save money by downsizing (NCAA Division II schools can award up to 36 football scholarships, as opposed to 63 in the Football Championship Subdivision in which the Bengals now compete.) ISU would fit comfortably in either the Colorado-Springs based Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference or the Spokane, Wash.-based Great Northwest Athletic Conference.

ISU has been through six football coaches since the last successful one — Dave Kragthorpe — and four since the school last won a Big Sky Conference men's basketball championship in 1987. None of them have been able to talk enough Division I-quality athletes into spending four years in Pocatello. And the fans have noticed: 6,200 of Holt Arena's 12,000 seats were empty for Idaho State's home opener against Division II Central Washington University. The Bengals lost 33-22.

This is a college sports program quite literally out of its league. It's time for ISU to become big fish in a much smaller pond.

TIMES-NEWS

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The members of the editorial board and writers of editorials are Brad Hurd, James G. Wright, Steve Crump, Bill Bitzenburg and Mary Lou Panatopoulos.

George Bush and the pursuit of mediocrity

Last week, the Census Bureau released a statistical report on the last year of George W. Bush's presidency. The numbers were brutal. On every indicator, Americans lost ground during the Bush era. The median income slumped. The poverty rate increased. The percentage of Americans without health insurance rose.



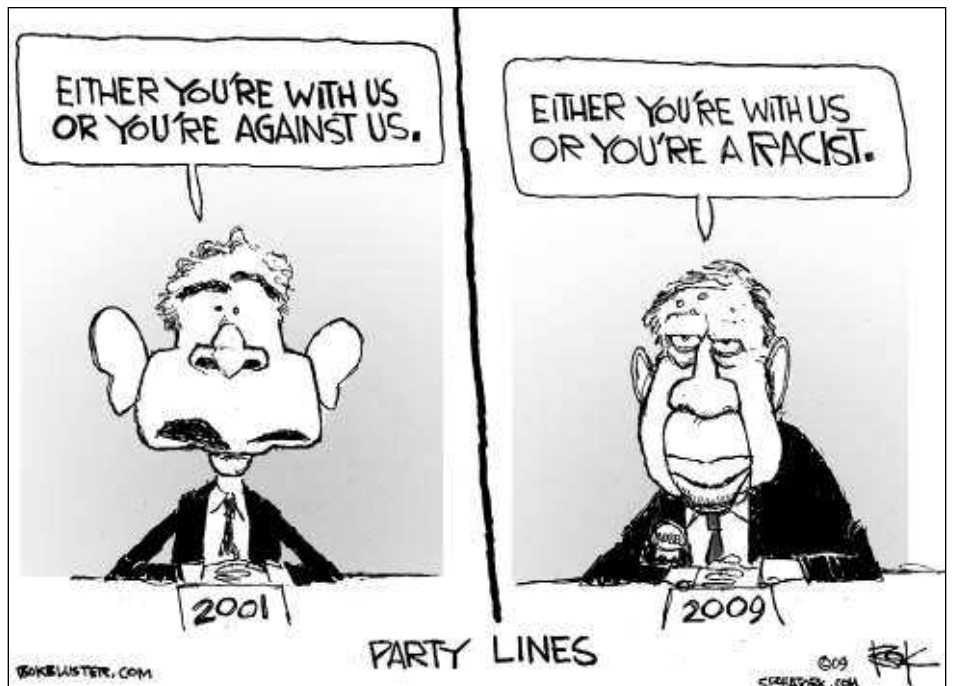
Ross Douthat

Adding insult to injury, the umpteenth insider look at Bush administration's dysfunction was unveiled last week as well, courtesy of an obscure second-term speechwriter named Matt Latimer. Latimer's memoir, excerpted in *GQ*, offers grist for Bush-whackers of both parties. For liberals, there's Dubya the incurious frat boy, flubbing policy details and cracking wise about Hillary Clinton's posterior. For conservatives eager to prove that the most unpopular president in 50 years was never really one of them, there's Bush the crypto-liberal, who dismisses the conservative movement and boasts that he personally “redefined the Republican Party.”

The census report is yet another nail in the coffin of Bush's reputation; Latimer's tell-all seems more like a thumbtack. Both are reminders that it's hard to imagine his presidency being remembered as anything but a failure, by liberals and conservatives alike.

But if Bush is destined to go down as a failed president, come what may, he looks increasingly like an unusual sort of failure.

America has had its share of disastrous chief executives. But few have gone as far as Bush did in trying to repair their worst mistakes. Those mistakes were the Iraq war and the irrational exuberance that stoked the housing bubble. The repairs



were the surge, undertaken at a time when the political class was ready to abandon Iraq to the furies, and last fall's unprecedented economic bailout.

Both fixes remain controversial. But for the moment, both look like the sort of disaster-averting interventions for which presidents get canonized. It's just that in Bush's case, the disasters he averted were created on his watch.

This leaves him in an unusual position where the judgments of future generations are concerned. On foreign policy, Bush looks a lot like Lyndon Johnson — but only if Johnson, after years of unsuccessful escalation, had bequeathed Richard Nixon a new strategy that enabled U.S. troops to withdraw from Vietnam with their honor largely intact. On economic matters, he resembles Herbert Hoover — but only if Hoover, after presiding over the stock market crash of 1929, had engineered an economic response that nipped the Great Depression in the bud.

It's true that Bush didn't personally formulate the surge, or craft the bailout. But he was, well, the decider, and if he takes the blame — rightly — for what Donald Rumsfeld wrought, then he should get credit for

Gen. David Petraeus' successes in Iraq, and for blessing the sweeping decisions that Hank Paulson and Ben Bernanke made in last September's desperate weeks.

And if we give Bush credit on these fronts, it's worth reassessing one of the major critiques of his presidency — that it was fatally insulated, by ideology and personality, from both the wisdom of the Washington elite and the desires of the broader public.

In reality, many of the Bush-era ventures that look worst in hindsight were either popular with the public at the time or blessed by the elite consensus. Voters liked the budget-busting tax cuts and entitlement expansions. The Iraq war's cheering section included prominent Democrats and scores of liberal pundits. And save for a few prescient souls, everybody — right and left, on Wall Street and Main Street — was happy to board the real-estate express and ride it off an economic cliff.

Bush-era bipartisanship did produce some defensible legislation (No Child Left Behind, for instance). But more often, it produced travesties like the failed attempt at “comprehensive” immigration reform,

lobbyist feeding frenzies like the 2005 energy bill and boondoggles like the Department of Homeland Security.

By contrast, Bush's best initiatives often lacked a constituency outside the White House: his AIDS-in-Africa program; his insistence, vindicated by subsequent scientific breakthroughs, on seeking alternatives to embryo-destroying research; his failed second-term proposals for Social Security and tax reform.

And perhaps his best decisions, on the surge and the bailout, were made from the bunker of a seemingly ruined presidency — when his approval ratings had bottomed out, his credibility was exhausted and his allies had abandoned him.

This is not a blueprint that future presidents will want to follow. But the next time an Oval Office occupant sees his popularity dissolve and his ambitions turn to dust, he can take comfort from Bush's example. It suggests that it's possible to become a good president even — or especially — when you can no longer hope to be a great one.

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Even Glenn Beck is right twice a day

There is a national conversation we must have right now — the one about what is driving this anger and what can be done about it. We are kidding ourselves if we think it's only about bigotry, or health care, or even Barack Obama. The growing minority that feels disenfranchised by Washington can't be so easily ghettoized and dismissed.

Many of those Americans may hate Obama, but they don't love the Republican establishment either. Michael Steele, who was declared persona non grata at one of the mad “tea parties” in April, was not invited to that right-wing 9/12 March on Washington. There were no public encomiums for McCain or Bush. No Senate leader spoke to the gathering, and perhaps only Palin



Frank Rich

and Ron Paul would have been welcome from the ranks of what passes for GOP presidential timber. If there was a real hero to this crowd, it was the protest's most prominent promoter, the radio and TV talker Glenn Beck.

Time put Beck on its cover this week. Man of the Year may not be far behind. Beck is not merely the latest incarnation of Rush Limbaugh. He is something different. That's why he is gaining on his antecedents — and gaining traction in the country's angrier precincts.

Though Beck's daily Fox News show is in the sleepy

slot of 5 p.m., his ratings are increasingly neck and neck with the prime-time tag team of Bill O'Reilly and Sean Hannity, and he has beaten them in the prized 25-to-54 demographic. It's not just because he is younger (45). This self-described “rodeo clown,” who wells up with tears for dramatic effect, doesn't come across as cranky or pompous, like Limbaugh and O'Reilly. Unlike Limbaugh, he bonds with his fallible listeners by openly and repeatedly owning up to his own mistakes, including his history of drug and alcohol abuse. Unlike Hannity, he is not a Republican apparatchik.

Beck has notoriously defamed Obama as a “racist,” but the race card is just one in his deck. His ideology mixes idolatrous Ayn Rand libertarianism with bumper-

sticker slogans about “freedom,” self-help homilies and lunatic conspiracy theories. It's the same crazy-quilt cosmology that could be found in last weekend's Washington protest, where the marchers variously called Obama a fascist, a communist and a socialist, likening him to Hitler, Stalin, Castro and Pol Pot. They may not know that some of these libels are mutually exclusive. But what they do know is that they need a scapegoat for what ails them, and there is no one handier than a liberal, all-powerful president (who just happens to be black).

Beck captures this crowd's common emotional denominator in his best-selling book portraying himself as a latter-day Tom Paine, “Glenn Beck's Common Sense.” Americans “know that

SOMETHING JUST DOESN'T FEEL RIGHT,” he writes, “but they don't know how to describe it or how to stop it.” This is right-wing populism in the classic American style, as inchoate and paranoid as that hawked by Father Coughlin during the Great Depression and George Wallace in the late 1960s. Wallace is most remembered for his racism, but he, like Beck, also played on the class and cultural resentment of those sharing his view that there wasn't “a dime's worth of difference” between the two parties.

Beck and his clique are driven by an over-the-top detestation of government. Washington is always the enemy, stealing their hard-earned money to redistribute it to the undeserving and shiftless poor. Though there is nothing Obama can do to stop racists from being racist, he could help stanch the economic piece of this by demonstrating how a

reformed government can at times actually make Americans' lives better. That's what FDR did, and that's the promise Obama made, swaying some Republicans and even some racists, during the campaign.

Beck frequently strikes the pose of an apocalyptic prophet, even insisting that he predicted 9/11. This summer he also started warning of domestic terrorism in the form of a new Timothy McVeigh. On this, one fears he knows whereof he speaks. For all our nation's unfinished business on race, racism is not Obama's biggest challenge during our unfinished Great Recession. He — and our political system — are being seriously tested by a rage that is no less real for being shouted by a demagogue from Fox and a backbencher from South Carolina.

Frank Rich is a columnist for *The New York Times*.

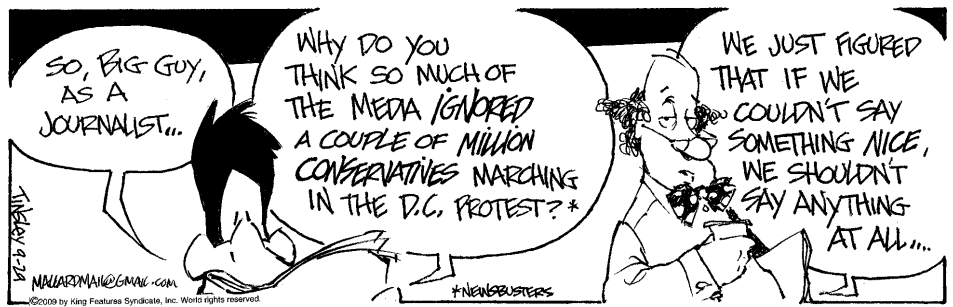
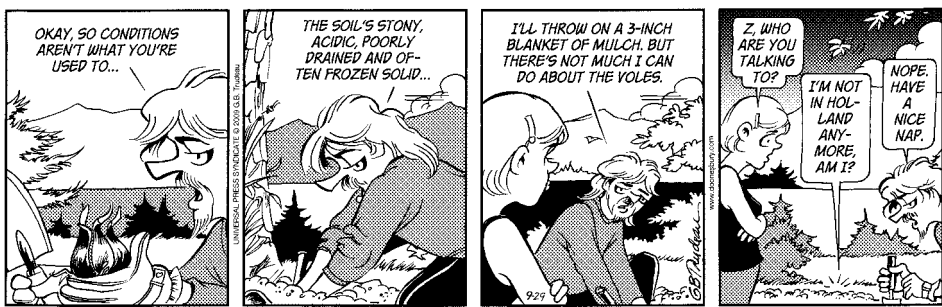
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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Rammell supporters will host gathering

Who is Rex Rammell? In August, we had the good fortune of meeting with Rex Rammell at a political gathering. We liked what we heard. Later, we were able to sit with him for a couple of hours and asked him questions about the Constitution, state's rights and other issues relating to the freedoms we are losing.

As a result, we have decided to pledge our support to Rex's campaign to become Idaho's next governor.

We are hosting a "get acquainted with Rex Rammell opportunity" on Wednesday at Miracle Hot Springs at 6:30 p.m. (halfway between Buhl and Hagerman on Highway 30).

Come and meet this candidate. Express your concerns and ask your penetrating questions. You will get straight answers. This man is serious about stopping the erosion of our constitutional freedoms. He has the guts to take the lead and stand up for what is right.

Spread the word and come and see for yourself. You'll be glad you did.

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Buhl

Twin Falls bypass project doing much to help Utah economy

Now that Gov. Otter has allowed the Twin Falls bypass construction project to be awarded to a Utah contractor, I suppose we won't be seeing any more TV commercials from Mrs. Otter telling us to "Buy Idaho."

The money for this project is stimulus money, from the feds, to be used right away to create jobs for Idahoans and to boost Idaho's economy. Utah got their own stimulus money. Oh sure, the Utah contractor might hire some local folks, but consider what an Idaho contractor could do.

Gov. Otter tells us that the low bid was the result of contractors struggling to stay alive during the economic downturn. Well, duh! Aren't Idaho contractors struggling? This project was budgeted at a little more than \$50 million. The Utah bid of \$26.6 million is a whopping 33 percent lower than the next lowest bid of \$40 million. That should

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PET OF THE WEEK



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raise a red flag. Class, can we say cost over-runs?

Butch Otter refuses to live in the governor's mansion because it once belonged to his former father-in-law so the state pays him a per diem to live on his ranch instead. Meanwhile, the state keeps pouring thousands of dollars into the mansion for upkeep and to make it a bed and breakfast for visiting dignitaries. How many visiting dignitaries have stayed there so far? Right! Empty mansions don't help our economy; hotels do.

Sometimes our overpaid politicians get so comfortable in their positions of power that they ignore the people who put them there. They know who they are, and so do we.

There'll be an election coming up before long. It's time to cull out the deadwood and send 'em packing.

KEN WHITE
Twin Falls

St. Luke's Blaine County clinic staff is capable, professional

In reference to the article on the front page Sept. 19, "Carey Residents Blast St. Luke's Services":

We could have been taxed, and no doubt were, for the past 10 years for the purpose of raising money for the new facility near the airport in Hailey. However, through the initiative of local planners, money was made available.

As for closing the Carey Clinic: Three patients per week hardly warrant a professional staff.

As for driving 40 miles with two 25-mile-per-hour stretches, call 911. I find them not only capable but cooperative. How does the complainant plan to go south to Twin Falls or Jerome? Will Richfield and/or Shoshone respond to 911 through these areas?

No one foresaw the economy in reverse. There are several housing developments started in the Carey area and they will no doubt be finished in the future.

As for an elected county official asking "whether the Carey residents wanted to

re-establish with St. Luke's or if they wanted to shop for another health provider"... what a blatant statement! And as for starting up a "task force" to study the so-called problem, the author of this scheme should apologize to the CO of St. Luke's.

What compelled this writing are facts, and no doubt they could be multiplied by many ex-patients of St. Luke's.

I am 85 years young ... and I have been a patient in the St. Luke's hospital at Ketchum on several occasions, broken leg at Moritz, and then at new St. Luke's — heart attack, two aneurysms, prostate cancer, several times with pneumonia, also a blocked intestine. Thanks to the resident doctors, I'm here to answer this averse article.

We of Blaine County St. Luke's enjoy the best doctors and staff, comparable to any area you wish to choose. St. Luke's Blaine County is designed to offer both privacy and professionalism equal to any facility anywhere. (Ring the bell and a nurse appears.) Not only do I have a great regard for the doctors of St. Luke's but also for their nurses. Even the maintenance staff seem polite and well trained.

KEITH JUSTESON
Carey

Don't trust government to run health care

Another trillion is what we are being told that Obama care is projected to cost an already broke nation — and our socialist amateur president has said it would not add a cent to the deficit.

Look at what our corrupt Senate's and House's sterling track record has given us over the years: Post Office, going broke; Social Security, going broke; Medicaid, going broke; Fannie Mae, broke; Freddie Mac, broke; Amtrak, again running at a loss; the War on Property, a failure; "Cash for Clunkers" projected cost missed by just 66 percent

And some actually want those that have failed us in Washington to run our health care. If the above does not scare the hell out of

you, the following might. Over Odumbo's first disastrous seven months in our "poor house," look what hope and change have given the nation: unemployment rate up 51 percent, GDP down 25 percent, housing starts down 11.1 percent, food stamps up 10.6 percent, disposable personal income down 41 percent, home mortgages (failing) up 50.6 percent, national deficit up 306 percent.

We as a nation actually have to pay these 535 worthless people in the Senate and House. God forbid if Odumbo and his socialist pals get their dirty, greedy hands on our health care. As many have said, "No care is better than Odumbocare," or "No care is better than Marxistcare."

MIKE SIMMONS
Buhl

Health care reform debate full of misinformation

Sort truth from fiction about the health care reform. Start by paying attention to who could lose if the plan goes through; namely, drug companies, insurance companies and medical supply companies that have had no controls and have charged too much for their supplies and services and there are too many loopholes they refuse to cover. There is no question that considerable change is needed. America's current health care system is one of the most expensive in the world, and there is not enough to show for the high cost.

Medicare Part D coverage gap, also known as the "doughnut hole," is projected to double by 2021. The new legislation will close the Medicare Part D "doughnut hole" gap. It also provides a 50 percent discount for brand name drugs while the gap is being reduced. We as seniors need this changed. Our drug bills are the highest in the world.

There is also a health care insurance controlled by our government to help lower the costs of our insurance and to insure people that do not have insurance. The person can choose it or their present insurance. A premium will be charged to pay for the system.

What is the verdict? The large corporations, insurance companies, medical supply companies are pulling out all the stops with false advertising, hired demonstrations and propaganda to kill health care reform and are giving big

contributions to our congressmen's campaign funds. Our congressmen should be working for the people and, if they are not supporting this bill to help the people, then they are supporting big business, drug companies, medical supply companies and insurance companies. It is time our government worked for us. It is a shame that it lets people lose everything they have and go into bankruptcy because of high medical costs.

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Burley

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IDAHO First swine flu-related death reported

BOISE — State health officials are confirming the first death related to the swine flu in Idaho this year.

In a statement Monday, the state Department of Health and Welfare said the virus contributed to the death of a Canyon County man in his 50s. The man suffered from other health problems.

The state has confirmed 488 cases of swine flu since April, with more than 25 percent of those reported within the last month.

Public health officials believe the total number of cases is greater because some of the people who have been infected with the virus have not been sick enough to seek medical attention.

WYOMING Crews battle blaze at Yellowstone

YELLOWSTONE NATIONAL PARK — Crews battling a 14.5-square-mile

wildfire in Yellowstone National Park contended with unusually low humidity Monday and awaited a weather system that could bring winds and precipitation.

The Arnica Fire in southeastern Yellowstone had consumed about 9,300 acres, said Tom Kempton, a fire information officer for the National Park Service.

Lightning started the fire Sept. 13. It expanded to 250 acres by last Thursday and grew quickly over the weekend in warm, dry, windy conditions.

Monday turned out to be an "easy to moderate day" for fire crews because of calm winds, said Bob Summerfield, a fire information officer.

"The humidity was pretty low, but it seems to need the wind to really make much happen," Summerfield said Monday evening.

Kempton said fire managers were closely monitoring the weather forecast. Meteorologists predicted Monday's calm winds would pick on Tuesday to 23 to 29 mph from the southwest. The forecast also called for rain, temperatures in the

mid-30s and possible snow.

WASHINGTON Waste shipments to repository approved

SPOKANE — Soil contaminated by mining in the Silver Valley will be shipped to a new repository starting immediately, a top official for the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency said Monday.

The East Mission Flats repository, near Cataldo, Idaho, opened for business on Monday. The landfill is next to Interstate 90, near the historic Cataldo Mission.

The Idaho Department of Environmental Quality intends to dump more than 40,000 truckloads of Superfund waste at the repository. The material is metals-laced dirt removed from residential yards in the Kellogg, Idaho, area that were polluted by decades of silver mining in the valley.

"There will be an aggressive monitoring program," to spot any leaks from the site, said Mathy Stanislaus, the Obama administration's top appointee on Superfund

issues, in a conference call with reporters.

Stanislaus visited the Silver Valley in August, at the request of U.S. Rep. Walt

Minnick, R-Idaho.

He decided that additional monitoring wells will be installed at the repository, including an "early warning

system" that will alert officials if metals are migrating into the groundwater.

— The Associated Press

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Bean growers race to finish harvest

National Weather Service forecasts first frost of the year on Thursday

By Cindy Snyder
Times-News correspondent

Harvest is turning into a race against Mother Nature for bean growers in south-central Idaho.

Bean harvests in the Mini-Cassia and Lower Treasure Valley areas are about 80 percent to 85 percent complete as combines chew through windrows in anticipation for possible frost on Thursday.

But Twin Falls County is

closer to 60 percent complete.

Growers say they would like another 10 days of dry, warm weather. But it doesn't look like they're going to get it, according to the National Weather Service.

The service said Monday that it is forecasting rain for the next two days and temperatures dipping into the upper 20s by Thursday morning.

"We're getting a lot of beans thrashed this afternoon," said Dirk Weeks, a fieldman with

Kelly Bean in Mini-Cassia.

Weeks said he feels pretty good about the 2009 crop, but knows a lot can still happen — like the 28 inches of snow that fell near Declo in early October last year. Beans in Minidoka and Cassia counties have been slow to mature this year, and there's nothing he can point to as an explanation for the delay.

But he added that yield and quality are good.

Most of the fields left to harvest in fall were either planted late because of the wet, cool spring or are later maturing varieties. Either way, if temperatures fall into the mid-20s or if a wet weather pattern sets

in, those fields could be hurt in terms of yield and quality.

But many growers are grateful to have the crop as far along as it is.

Don Tolmie, production manager for Treasure Valley Seed, expected to see Canyon County growers harvesting beans well into October and possibly even early November. But western Idaho picked up enough growing degrees in June, July and early August that the crop matured much faster than he expected.

If the storm that is expected to hit the region mid-week

See **BEANS**, Agribusiness 2

A combine threshes windrows of bean stalk near Twin Falls in this file photo. Growers are racing to harvest bean crops as the threat of cooler weather approaches.



Times-News file photo



Robin Buell, associate professor of plant biology, who participated in a two-year, 14-nation collaboration to study the genetic structure of the potato plant in East Lansing, Mich. The group announced a draft of the potato genome on Thursday and the results are expected to help researchers find ways to improve the potato's productivity, nutritional value and disease resistance.

AP photos

An EYE FOR SPUDS

By David N. Goodman
Associated Press writer

DETROIT — A global team of researchers has mapped the genetic code of the world's most popular vegetable — the potato.

The draft of the potato genome released last week represents the work of more than 50 scientists from 16 institutions and will provide a starting point for other researchers to develop sturdier, more nutritious potatoes.

That's important because the potato is widely grown and plays a central role in feeding the world's 6.3 billion people, said Robin Buell, a Michigan State University plant biologist who worked on the project. The East Lansing school announced the results in the U.S.

"The potato is the most important vegetable worldwide," Buell said. "This report on potato (genes) is a major milestone



Fingerling potatoes from one of the gene lines sequenced by researchers in a two-year worldwide project.

in genome mapping."

The Potato Genome Sequencing Consortium began work in 2006. It has 16 institutional members in Argentina, Britain, Chile, China, India, Ireland, Netherlands, New Zealand, Peru, Poland, Russia and the United States. Michigan State and Virginia Tech are

formal members of the consortium, and some work was done at the University of Wisconsin.

The potato genome has 12 chromosomes with 840 million base pairs, about a quarter the size of the human genome. The draft covers 95 percent of potato genes.

Launched by the Plant Breeding Department at Wageningen University in the Netherlands, the work took off with development of a new computer program at China's Beijing Genomics Institute. The computer program allowed researchers to more easily pool results of their work on chromosome segments to create a full genetic map.

As a researcher at the Institute for Genomic Research in Rockville, Md., Buell was part of a collaborative effort in 1999-2005 that mapped the gene structure of rice. A nearly complete genome map of maize, or corn, was announced in 2008.

A gene map allows quicker development of new crop strains. The rice genome map has already led to the development of a variety that can survive

See **POTATO**, Agribusiness 2

Dairy group launches elections

Dairymen's Assoc. to vote on board, committee posts

Times-News staff

The Idaho Dairymen's Association election started last week with ballots being mailed to districts in Idaho.

The following are the candidates for District II:

DISTRICT II IDA BOARD SEAT

Mike Roth (incumbent)

Mike Roth and his wife Nancy live in Kimberly and have four grown children. Roth and his eight brothers and sisters operate three dairy operations in Jerome.

Roth was first elected to the IDA board in 2003 and is currently serving his second term as the association's vice president.

Roth was nominated by the United Dairymen of Idaho to serve on the National Dairy and Research Board.

Steve Ballard

Steve Ballard is a dairy producer and an award-winning cheese maker in Idaho. Ballard and his family started dairying in Gooding in 1993. He expanded Ballard Family Dairy in 2004 when he began producing artisan cheese, which has received international acclaim.

Ballard has served on the

board of the Dairy Herd Information Association and the Farm Bureau.

Willie Bokma

Willie Bokma milks about 700 cows and farms 640 acres south of Twin Falls. He and his wife, Valerie Bokma have been dairying in Idaho since 1981.

Bokma has served on the United Dairymen of Idaho Resolution Committee for three years and this year he is serving as an Ambassador to the UDI board.

David Funk

David Funk was born and raised in Burley. In 1977 Funk and his wife Shirlene Funk started farming in the Murtaugh area and purchased their first small dairy in 1989. In 1996 he built his second dairy and in 2006 he built a third dairy, both dairies are 2000 head operations.

Funk is also a partner in the High Desert Milk Plant and a dairy feed supply business in Twin Falls. He has served on the U.S. Potato Board Executive Committee, the Potato Growers of Idaho Executive Committee and the Board of the United Dairymen of Idaho. He is currently serving on the local Farm Credit Advisory Board and is also a board member of High Desert Milk.

Andrew Jarvis

Andrew Jarvis' parents

See **DAIRY**, Agribusiness 3

Rains stall winter wheat seeding in Great Plains

By Roxana Hegeman
Associated Press writer

WICHITA, Kan. — Widespread rains across parts of the Great Plains have stalled winter wheat seeding, fueling anxiety at a time of bountiful global stockpiles and plummeting prices.

Few farmers are as anxious to get into fields as those in Kansas, by far the nation's largest winter wheat grower with 8.5 million acres planted last season.

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But muddy fields have kept Kansas farmers from planting much this fall with just 9 percent of the wheat seed now in the ground, the National Agricultural Statistics Service reported Monday. Normally by this late in the year, 17 percent has been planted in the state. Kansas and Oklahoma

were the top two wheat producers last year. In Oklahoma, just 17 percent has been seeded compared to the normal 25 percent so late in the season, NASS said.

"Moisture is good to have, but in some areas it is concerning. Too much moisture hasn't allowed guys to get

into fields," said Justin Gilpin, executive director of Kansas Wheat, a joint venture of the Kansas Association of Wheat Growers and Kansas Wheat Commission.

The rain is not only delaying wheat planting in the state, but also stalling fall harvest of crops like soybeans. That could ultimately affect the acres planted for the 2010 crop because growers in central and eastern Kansas often double-crop

See **WHEAT**, Agribusiness 3



AP photo

Martin Baker unloads wheat after harvesting in his field near Caldwell, Kan. Widespread rains across parts of the Great Plains have stalled winter wheat seeding.

Dates and deadlines

• Sept. 30 - CRP sign-up ends.

• Sept. 30 - NAP sales closing date for fall seed crops.

• Nov. 6 - County Office Committee Election Ballots mailed to eligible voters.

• Dec. 1 - NAP sales closing date for honey and all 2010 perennials including alfalfa and grass.

BURLEY/RUPERT FORECAST

Today: Breezy with incoming showers. Highs low 70s.

Tonight: Periods of rain and wind. Lows low 40s.

Tomorrow: Cool and breezy, raining at times. Highs upper 40s.

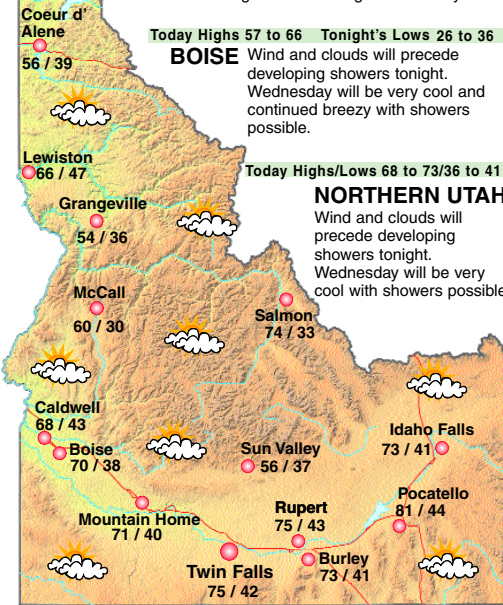
ALMANAC - BURLEY

Temperature and Precipitation table for Burley, including high/low records and average monthly data.

IDAHO'S FORECAST

SUN VALLEY, SURROUNDING MTS.

Skies will grow cloudy today with a stiff breeze blowing at times. Look for showers developing later on and continuing at times through Wednesday.



Yesterday's State Extremes - High: 92 at Twin Falls. Low: 22 at Stanley. Weather key: su-sunny, pc-partly cloudy, mc-mostly cloudy, c-cloudy, th-thunderstorms, sh-showers, r-rain, sn-snow, fl-furries, w-wind, m-missing.

TWIN FALLS FIVE-DAY FORECAST

Five-day forecast for Twin Falls with weather icons and temperature ranges for Today, Tonight, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, and Saturday.

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Temperature, Precipitation, Humidity, Barometric Pressure, Sunrise and Sunset, and Pollen Count data for Twin Falls.

MOON PHASES and MOONSET

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

REGIONAL FORECAST

Regional forecast table for cities in Idaho, including Boise, Bonners Ferry, Challis, Coeur d'Alene, Elko, Eugene, Gooding, Grace, Hagerman, Hailey, Idaho Falls, Kalispell, Jerome, Lewiston, Malad City, Malta, McCall, Missoula, Pocatello, Portland, Rupert, Rexburg, Richland, Rigdon, Salmon, Salt Lake City, Spokane, Stanley, Sun Valley, and Yellowstone.

NATIONAL FORECAST

National forecast table for various US cities including Atlanta, Baltimore, Billings, Birmingham, Boston, Charlotte, Charleston, Chicago, Cleveland, Denver, Des Moines, Detroit, El Paso, Fairbanks, Fargo, Honolulu, Houston, Indianapolis, Jacksonville, Kansas City, Las Vegas, Little Rock, Los Angeles, Memphis, Miami, Milwaukee, Nashville, New Orleans, New York, Oklahoma City, and Omaha.

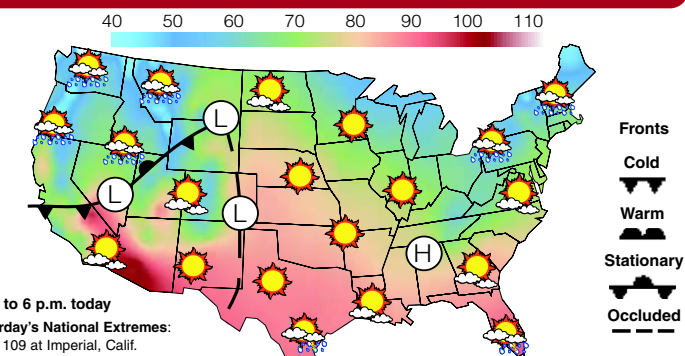
U.V. INDEX

U.V. Index scale from Low to High with a sun icon and text: 'The higher the index the more sun protection needed.'

WORLD FORECAST

World forecast table for international cities including Acapulco, Athens, Auckland, Bangkok, Beijing, Berlin, Buenos Aires, Cairo, Dhahran, Geneva, Hong Kong, Jerusalem, Johannesburg, Kuwait City, London, Mexico City, Moscow, Nairobi, Paris, Prague, Rio de Janeiro, Rome, Santiago, Seoul, Sydney, Taipei, Tel Aviv, Tokyo, Vienna, Warsaw, and Zurich.

TODAY'S NATIONAL MAP



Gregg Middlekauff's Quote of the Day: 'Self-disciplined begins with the mastery of your thoughts. If you don't control what you think, you can't control what you do.'

CANADIAN FORECAST

Canadian forecast table for cities including Calgary, Cranbrook, Edmonton, Kelowna, Lethbridge, Regina, Saskatchewan, Toronto, Vancouver, Victoria, and Winnipeg.

AROUND THE WORLD

PHILIPPINES

240 die in flooding; toll expected to rise

MANILA — Rescuers pulled more bodies from swollen rivers and debris-strewn streets to bring the death toll in massive flooding in the northern Philippines to 240 on Tuesday as residents dug out their homes from under carpets of mud.



A medical patient is evacuated through floodwater by Philippine navy personnel Monday in the Manila suburb of Cainta. See story at left.

its nuclear work — much of it carried out in secrecy — have long been a concern for the United States, Israel and its Western allies. They fear Tehran is intent on developing an atomic weapons capability and the missiles to deploy such warheads, despite Iran's assurances it is only pursuing civilian nuclear power.

WASHINGTON

Pregnant? Getting flu shot may be a hassle

It's hard for pregnant women to escape the message: You're at extra risk from swine flu "it could trigger premature labor, hospitalize you for weeks, even kill you" so be among the first in line for vaccine next month.

In the latest exercise, the powerful Revolutionary Guard, which controls Iran's missile program, successfully tested upgraded versions of Iran's medium-range Shahab-3 and Sajjil missiles, state television reported.

OKLAHOMA

Teen says he was held in closet for years

OKLAHOMA CITY — A woman was arrested after her 14-year-old son told authorities he escaped from a home where he'd been kept for 4 1/2 years, spending most of his time locked in a bedroom closet, police said Monday.

WASHINGTON

Community Organizations for Reform Now or its affiliates.

In a statement, Bank of America said it would not enter into any further agreements with ACORN Housing Corp. until the bank is satisfied all issues have been resolved.

IRAN

Iran tests long-range missiles a second day

TEHRAN — Iran tested its longest-range missiles Monday and warned they can reach any place that threatens the country, including Israel, parts of Europe and U.S. military bases in the Mideast.

HONDURAS

Desperate leaders vow to lift measures

TEGUCIGALPA — The coup-installed president of Honduras backed down Monday from an escalating standoff with protesters and suggested he would restore civil liberties and reopen dissident television and radio stations by the end of the week.

GUINEA

Soldiers shoot dead at least 10 protesters

CONAKRY — Soldiers fired into a crowded stadium where demonstrators had gathered

PENNSYLVANIA

Officials accuse teen of wrapping cat with duct tape

PHILADELPHIA — Investigators say a Philadelphia teenager wrapped a cat in duct tape, put it in a shopping bag and left it in a neighbor's backyard.

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Need an Auction? Call MUSSER BROS. advertisement listing types of auctions, scope of services, and contact info for Randy Musser.

Blending historical and home



Bob and Judi Rayborn's Twin Falls home is almost 100 years old. A Twin Falls lawyer built it for his daughter as a wedding present. Although the house has evolved through updates and a post-fire rebuilding, the main structure is still the same.

Alabaster sculptures, including this bust, adorn the master bedroom.



By Melissa Davlin
Times-News writer

Judi Rayborn is used to people asking about her house.

The Twin Falls interior designer has had several people approach her, saying they have seen her house in local home tours or have heard about it from friends. Real estate agents have even left notes on her door, asking if she is willing to sell.

For the record, she's not.

Rayborn has lived in her house, built in 1920, for 23 years with her husband, lawyer Bob Rayborn. Even after a fire gutted the house in September 2000 and destroyed many of their belongings, they regrouped, rebuilt and, once again, made their historical house one of the most remarkable in Twin Falls.

The lot takes up almost a third of her block on Eighth Avenue West and holds the main house, a guesthouse and a large backyard. Large maple trees are as old as the house, Rayborn estimates. An antique wagon, bought from one of her interior decorating clients, holds flowers and potted plants, and ferns carpet the ground surrounding the house.

The guesthouse, formerly maid's quarters, sits on the back of the lot and has a bed, kitchenette and bathroom. The Rayborns kept the original carriage deck on the side of the main house.

When the house was built, the owners would have pulled their carriages onto the deck, situated right next to the home, so the ladies could climb off and into the house without getting their feet dirty, Rayborn said. They now use the deck as a seating area.

Inside the home, Rayborn sticks to an art nouveau theme in each of the rooms. Art and furniture, collected from dealers and antique stores, mostly hails from the late 1800s and early 1900s. Vintage patterns grace the wallpaper.

"I think it's very warm," she said.

Rayborn spares no details. Even the light fixtures are antiques or replicas of antiques, including the rare slipper shades in the master bedroom and upstairs bathroom.

Longtime housekeeper Stella Messner said although Rayborn's style has changed slightly throughout the years, she has always favored antiques. While Rayborn's collections were once more hodgepodge — she kept an old incubator in the kitchen as a decoration — they are now more streamlined.

The house hasn't always looked this good. During



Photos by ASHLEY SMITH/Times-News

All of the furniture in the Rayborns' living room is antique, but don't be afraid to make yourself at home. The furniture has been restored and re-upholstered for functionality. 'I don't want anything I can't use,' Judi Rayborn says.



Every room features antique clocks, Judi Rayborn's favorite collectible. An 8-foot-tall French clock greets visitors in the entryway, and small tabletop clocks sit in every room. Many don't work, and most are set at different times, lending to the house's timeless feel.

Labor Day weekend in 2000, Rayborn and her husband had their vacation interrupted with the news that an electrical fire, started by one of their antique radios, had destroyed most of their home's interior. They lost all of their clothes, several collectibles and some pieces of furniture.

The losses temporarily devastated the Rayborns, but they managed to focus on the support they gained from their friends. They rebuilt their house's interior in nine months, and since then, Rayborn has filled it back up with more finds from the antique market.

Because of the renova-



A pool table, made in 1896, sits in the Rayborns' game room. The couple threw a party for the table when it turned 100 years old. Other game room features include old pinball and slot machines. 'It makes us very popular with our friends,' Judi Rayborn says.



Judi Rayborn likes the look of European-style art. She doesn't know the origin of many of her paintings and photographs, but likes the look. Mixed into the collection are photos of her mother and grandmother.

tion after the fire, the plumbing, fixtures and plumbing are all new. Messner even got to request tilt-in windows, which are easier to clean.

"It's a new home in an old

shell," Rayborn said.

With the renovations, she could have made the house more contemporary, but chose to stick with the vintage theme. She doesn't feel obligated to; she just enjoys

the feel of it.

"I wouldn't live here if I didn't like it," she said.

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Photo courtesy of Huber & Associates

Bent cedar shingles provide a smooth, curved appearance. The wood is steamed and bent to create this look.

Shingle alternatives for a roof that will last a good long time

DEAR JIM: I have always had regular asphalt shingles on my houses, but they never last more than about 20 years. This time, I want to install a longer-lasting roof. Other than metal, what roof materials are best?

— Janet H.

DEAR JANET: Even inexpensive asphalt shingles, which typically have a 20-year warranty minimum, should actually last longer than 20 years.

Before you install a new roof of any type, have an experienced roofer inspect your existing leaking roof to determine the cause of the leaks.

One common cause of premature shingle failure is the roofing gets too hot. If you live in a warm climate and do not have adequate attic ventilation, the shingles can get extremely hot in the afternoon sun.

This is particularly true if your new shingles were installed over an old layer.

As you indicated, metal is one of the best roofs and it can last a lifetime. Similar to several other long-life roofing materials, metal roofs are considerably more expensive to install than even architectural shingle roofs. With the current energy tax credits in effect, you may qualify for a tax credit by installing an efficient metal roof.

There are quite a few roofing materials for you to discuss with your roofing contractor. Some of the longest lasting ones, such as tile and slate, are very heavy. If your house was initially designed for a shingle roof, you will likely have to substantially reinforce the roof structure to support the weight of these materials. There may also be additional snow loading depending upon your climate.

If you like the appearance of slate or tile, consider installing plastic roofing. It is made from mostly recycled plastic and has a very long life. The weight of this plastic roofing is similar to that of a shingle roof, so no additional structural support will be needed. It can be sawed and nailed as easily as wood and is available in random widths for an authentic look.

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Another attractive, light-weight option is durable fiber-cement roofing.

It is made from cement and fibers which are molded into the shapes of other common roofing styles. It lasts very long, and since the pigments are completely through the material, it maintains its nice appearance. The simulated tile style has a glossy coating to look similar to real tiles.

People often think of wood shakes as an attractive, but short-life roof material. Actually, some of the best-quality shakes have up to 50-year warranties. Pine shakes, with pressure-treatment and fire-resistant chemicals, are a lower cost, yet durable, option. Check your local fire codes before installing wood roofing.

Another unique roof is made with bent cedar shingles.

Steam is used to bend the red cedar shingle to give the house a somewhat mysterious appearance.

DEAR JIM: I have an old water heater and refrigerator in my garage/workshop. I have wrapped the water heater with insulation. Will it help to also wrap the refrigerator with more insulation? — Sam S.

DEAR SAM: Extra insulation blocks heat flow in both directions. When around the water heater, it blocks heat from flowing outward. When around the cold refrigerator, it blocks heat from flowing into it through the walls.

When insulating the refrigerator, you must be careful not to block the air flow through the condenser coils. If the air flow is reduced, efficiency drops. The coils are usually on the back of or underneath the refrigerator.

Send inquiries to James Dulley, 6906 Royalgreen Drive, Cincinnati, OH 45244 or visit www.dulley.com.

Better log this advice

The Washington Post

It's a good idea to buy firewood now so you'll make sure and get the best well-seasoned logs for a crackling fire.

It's smart to buy from someone you know, or someone who comes with a recommendation from a neighbor, to make sure you aren't getting green wood. You'll pay a bit more if you have your dealer stack your wood, rather than dump it in your yard.

Wherever you store your firewood, keep these things in mind:

- **Stack** several yards from your house, if possible, to keep bugs away from your foundation.

- **Leave** a bit of space between logs for air circulation.

- **Cover** the pile with some type of cover.

- **Try not** to buy more than you'll use in one year, as the logs may rot or harbor insects.

Get a soil test before you start fertilizing

By Dean Fosdick
For The Associated Press

You won't need a dirt doctor to tell you when the soil in your yard is ailing; the vital signs will be obvious.

Turf grass becomes thin and crowded with weeds. Garden vegetables die back. Flowers fade before blooming. Fruit is slow to ripen.

Chances are your planting beds are starved for nutrients — some fertilizer. But what kind and how much? That's when the horticultural equivalent of a physical exam comes into play: a soil test.

"Whether you choose to buy manure or commercial fertilizer is up to you, but a soil test will determine which nutrients are needed," said Steve Heckendorn, manager of the soil-testing lab at Virginia Tech. "You're not fertilizing the plant. You're fertilizing the soil that feeds the plant. In effect, you're putting food into the plant's refrigerator."

There are hundreds of soil types in America, each with its own characteristics. A soil test rates them for many things, ranging from texture and water retention ability to their yield potential for specific crops. Nutrient deficiencies are identified along with recommendations for changes.

Used to be, shopping for fertilizer blends was a challenge in chemical code breaking, but the standardized three-digit grade labels now required on bags show at a glance what you need to know.

The first number represents the amount of nitrogen available in the mixture, the second the available phosphate and the last is potash. If the bag label reads "10-10-10," that means a mixture of 10 percent nitrogen, 10 percent phosphate and 10 percent potash.

"Nitrogen is associated with color, phosphorous with flowering and potassium with growth," said Dennis Lukaszewski, urban gardens director for the University of Wisconsin-Extension. "There are other micro-nutrient blends out there for feeding specific plants, but those are the big three."

Here are some fertilizing do's and don'ts:

- **Manure has been** the fertilizer of choice since the first gardeners turned their first clumps of earth. But be cautious if you have access to the nitrogen-rich farm-



AP photo

Martha Stewart calibrates the flow of a fertilizer spreader on her side hill lawn near New Market, Va. She's trying to ensure the application isn't too rich for the turf before it goes winter dormant and that the nitrogen-rich granules don't wash away in the rain to pollute streams.

'Don't guess. Soil test'

You can buy the most attractive plants in the greenhouse or order the best seeds, but they won't produce if your garden lacks nutrients.

A soil test is the best way to check growing potential and determine which, if any, fertilizers are needed. It eliminates the guesswork about soil chemistry.

A routine soil test is inexpensive — generally around \$10 for residential growers. No charge is assessed commercial crop growers in many agricultural states.

Price includes a soil test kit with written instructions, an appraisal of at least nine elements (including pH), an explanation of the findings, suggested amendments and the return postage.

"It's a one- or two-day process," said Steve Heckendorn, whose soil-testing lab at Virginia Tech processed 56,000 samples in each of the past two years.

"When fertilizer prices jumped, so did the increase in farm samples (tested)," Heckendorn said. "I attribute the increase of residential lawn and garden samples to greater interest in gardening and educating homeowners and lawn care companies on how they can contribute in reducing water pollution."

Here's how it's done:

- **Pick up** a soil test kit from your county extension office. Many garden centers also stock them.

- **Soil samples** can be taken any time of year, even in winter, provided you can poke a trowel into the frozen ground. It's probably best done in spring or fall, however, so the recommended amendments can be added well before the plants go in. Mix the sediment from at least five sites. Discard extraneous grass or litter.

- **Do not take** samples when the ground is unusually wet. Also, do not mix soil with specimens taken from where the ground has been heavily limed or fertilized. Those should be packaged separately.

- **Mail soil samples** and fee to the laboratory address specified on the kit.

— The Associated Press

on a scale of 1 to 14. Acidity influences the vulnerability of plants to disease and the availability of soil nutrients. If soils are acidic, amend them by adding agricultural lime or fire-place ashes. Applying sulfur can neutralize alkaline soils, or those testing above 7.

"My bottom line is, learn what you're doing before you waste money and harm the environment," Luk-

aszewski said. "The commercial stuff that's out there has been pretty much tested and will be of benefit. But you've got to know what you need and what the product will do."

Botanical garden hosts bulb, peony sale

Times-News

It's bulb planting time, and the Sawtooth Botanical Garden will host its 7th Annual Unusual Bulb & Peony Sale from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday. A members-only pre-sale begins at 9 a.m. with hot

coffee and baked goods.

New to gardening with bulbs? Local experts will be on hand throughout the day to answer questions and help customers select the best plants for their gardens. The sale features striking collections for the Wood River Valley, includ-

ing fragrant daffodils, showy peonies, re-blooming irises and species tulips.

Proceeds benefit the Sawtooth Botanical Garden, a nonprofit public garden on the corner of Idaho Highway 75 and Gimlet Road south of Ketchum. Information: 726-9358.

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BACK IN STYLE



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Designer John Loecke custom-ordered a trellis pattern based on the letter 'J' for the Asian-inflected dining room of his Brooklyn townhouse. The grid-like pattern serves as a perfect backdrop for a collection of antique garden prints.



John Loecke used two bold, contrasting patterns on the walls and ceiling of the guest bedroom in his Brooklyn townhouse. The curving vine pattern on the wall draws the eye to the ceiling, which is covered in a non-directional floral pattern.

In home decor's cyclical world, wallpaper regains popularity

By Ann Levin
For The Associated Press

NEW YORK — This spring, Oprah declared that wallpaper is back.

But is it really? That depends on what you want to do in your home and, to a lesser degree, how much you're willing to spend.

If rock bottom is your bottom line, then a simple paint job is probably the way to go. But if you were planning on spending a little more to get a really nice paint job — perhaps one with murals, borders or faux finishes — then you might want to consider wallpaper.

That's because in the cyclical world of fashion and home furnishings, wallpaper is hot again.

Wallpaper makes a statement

Decorators say that if you're looking for drama, texture, warmth and personality, wallpaper is the way to go.

In a compact rowhouse in Brooklyn, designers Jason Oliver Nixon and John Loecke wallpapered virtually every nook and cranny, including the interior of a glass-fronted bathroom cabinet and the inside of a closet.

For the foyer, they chose a pink and blue floral pattern and embellished it with paste-on colored rhinestones.

The guest bedroom has a directional vine pattern on the walls that takes the eye to the ceiling, where there's a complementary but contrasting pattern of swirling flowers.

Anne Goldsmith, a decorator in suburban New York, says you can make a bold statement in your bedroom by papering just the wall behind the bed. "It can just be really fun — a focal point in a boxy plain room without a lot of architectural detail," she says.

Good in a down economy

With stylish patterns selling for \$30 a roll or even less, wallpaper doesn't have to cost much more than a really good paint job. Scott

Salvator, a Manhattan-based designer, says wallpaper is the perfect choice in a down economy because it decorates the room.

"You can put a mirror up but you don't have to start buying artwork," he says. "It's a cheaper way to decorate."

New York designer Elaine Griffin says wallpaper may be a little pricier, but not prohibitively so. And even the sour economy, she notes, hasn't dampened the zeal of new parents to go all out for the first baby's nursery.

"It's the one recession-proof room in the house," she says.

Great Falls, Va., resident Jennifer Singh considered the price difference between paint and wallpaper when she was decorating her home in suburban Washington but wasn't deterred. A jewelry designer with an eye for texture, pattern and color, she's installed wallpaper in about half her home.

She chose a "masculine, highly textural" cork wallpaper for her husband's study and an "organic, earthy" yellowish pattern with blades of straw for her kitchen. "I do remember wallpaper was more expensive than paint but not by a whole lot," she says. "It was worth it."

Should you do it yourself?

There are many do-it-yourself books on the market, but you probably don't want to wallpaper yourself unless you're supremely

TIPS ON DECORATING WITH WALLPAPER

Designers John Loecke and Jason Oliver Nixon offer some tips on how to decorate with their favorite wall covering:

1. **Create** a "jewel box" in a tiny space like a foyer by covering the walls and ceiling with a single pattern, then jazzing it up with paste-on rhinestones or pearls. An entryway is also a good place for a pricey paper that may be too expensive in a larger room.
2. **Use** complementary patterns in rooms that open into each other, like a dining room to a kitchen to a pantry. Unify by using different shades of the same color.
3. **Pick** two separate but complementary patterns for the walls and ceiling in a bedroom, like a curving vine pattern on the wall that draws the eye to a floral pattern above. It will create visual interest, which Loecke and Nixon note promotes contemplation — and perhaps sleep.
4. **Tropical** designs are hot. Loecke and Nixon papered a pink-tiled bathroom with a banana leaf pattern in contrasting shades of green. The bold design is famously associated with the Beverly Hills Hotel.
5. **Consider** dramatic wallpapers for halls and passageways.
6. **Use** a rare, expensive or powerful pattern on a "feature" wall in a room, where it can serve the same function as art.
7. **Woven** and grasscloth papers are good for unifying wall space along a multi-story staircase and can also serve as a neutral backdrop for a diverse art collection. A tight sisal weave has the added attraction of hiding nail holes.
8. **Wallpaper** can help divide open spaces into zones, such as in a bathroom where you might want to distinguish between the shower area and the sink.
9. **Celebrate** an asymmetrical wall with a bold pattern instead of trying to disguise it.
10. **Don't** forget the closet: A great wallpaper could even inspire you to be a better dresser.

patient and good at following directions.

Goldsmith, who has a design business in Morristown, N.J., says it's really not hard but it is time consuming. "My husband and I used to argue through the first roll," she says, "then we'd get our jobs down and figure out who's cutting and who's holding." If you can afford it, you're better off hiring a professional, according to Griffin and other decorators. She notes that walls need to be prepped and in pristine condition, otherwise every imperfection is likely to show through.

Options for the design-challenged

Let's face it: The average person does not have the eye of a decorator. But even the design-challenged can be a little bit adventurous with minimal risk.

Start by putting wallpaper in smaller spaces like a hallway or foyer. If you fall in love with an expensive pattern, hang it on just one wall and paint the other three.

Wallpaper is a natural for a bathroom, where a dramatic pattern above the tile can deflect attention from less than perfect plumbing.

Guests are coming: How Wedgwood would entertain

By Kathleen Hom
The Washington Post

The Wedgwood name evokes a certain image: fancy parties where guests nibble on dainty tea sandwiches served on fragile china. But a recently released book, "At Home With Wedgwood: The Art of the Table" (Clarkson Potter, \$35), offers readers a peek into the lives of people who use this china in a more casual setting.

The 192-page book, published to coincide with Wedgwood's 250th anniversary, tries to make tables set with Wedgwood china seem accessible and unpretentious.

Once you sort through all the pattern names, which can get muddled together because there are so many, the book can be inspirational.

It delves into how such famous people as cake decorator Sylvia Weinstock, architect John Pawson and interior designer Michael Smith set their tables. But beware: Many photos include the formal table

setting with linen napkins and polished silverware.

However, as you browse through color photos of table settings, tease out tips from the text. For example:

- "The pairing of the old and the new is always thrilling, like long lost relatives who come to meet in another century," says Barbara Barry, who has designed pieces for Wedgwood. "If you choose simple forms and subtle patterns, you will find you can create a wardrobe of objects that go together seamlessly."

- "I don't buy for the closet. I use everything, however precious," New York-based interior designer James Huniford says.

- And there's no need to limit dinner parties to the dining room. Dining spaces can be set up anywhere, such as in front of a living room or bedroom fireplace. "Living in every part of your house resembles the way it was done in the 18th century," New York designer Carolyn Roehm says.

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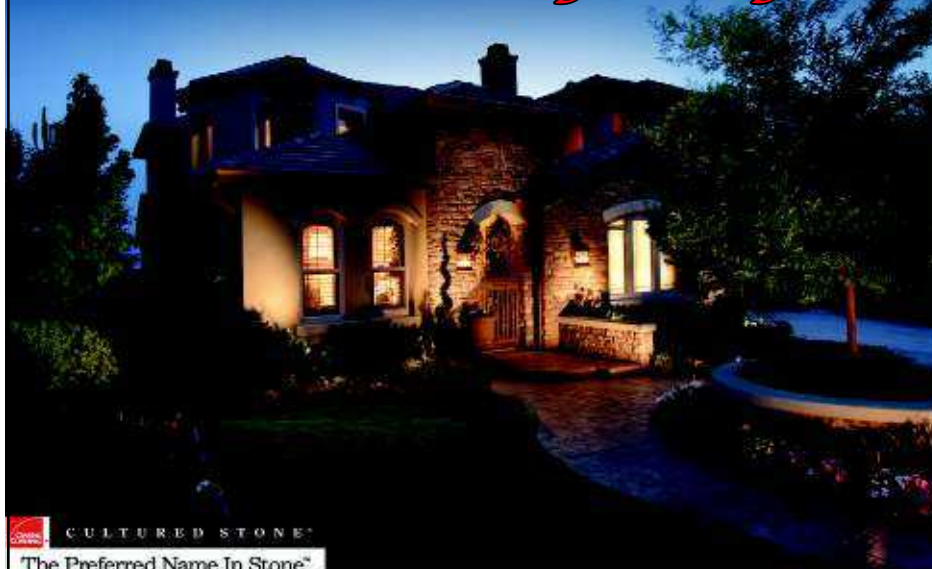
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Answer: Finally, bathroom cleaners that are safe for the environment AND work on the toughest dirt, grime and scum. Here's two I suggest. Tub 'N' Tile is non-toxic and biodegradable, with no harsh chemicals. Works great on tubs, showers and countertops. Foam 'N' Flush is an environmentally preferable toilet bowl cleaner that will dissolve hard water rings, as well as brighten and deodorize your toilet bowl. The organic acid formula is biodegradable and uses an organic composite that is fume free. Now you can relax. Green does Clean!

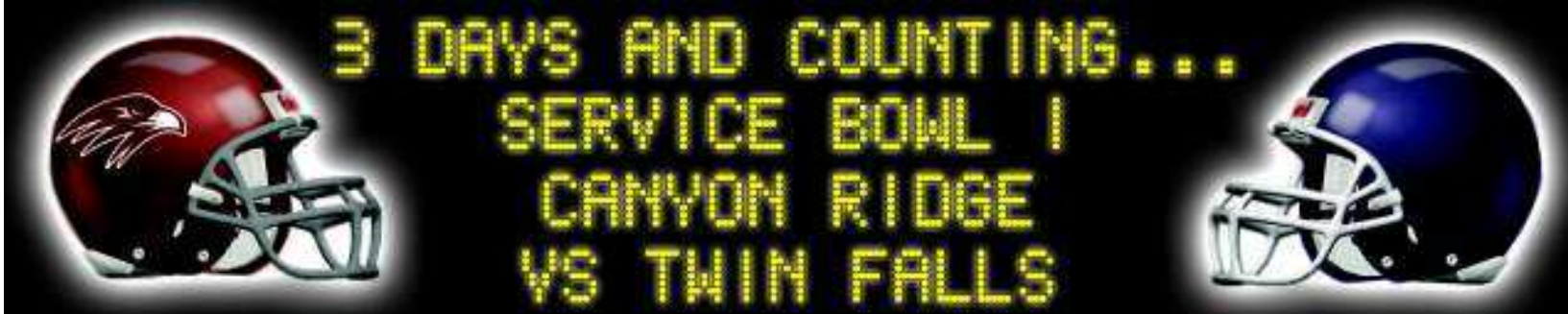
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BSU's Petersen offers perspective on the polls

By Dustin Lapray
Times-News correspondent

BOISE — Chris Petersen has watched the fifth-ranked Boise State football program slowly gain prominence in the NCAA, but the success never gets to the venerable head coach.

Petersen's demeanor at Monday's press conference remained neutral despite the rising clamor whispering at his program, sitting No. 5 in the Associated Press Top 25, Harris Interactive College Football Poll and USA Today Top 25.

"Our goal here is just to be the best team we can be," Petersen said. "Maybe we don't



"Maybe we don't have the talent and maybe we do, to be ranked whatever. We got what we got. We like what we have. But, our whole mission is just to try to get better each week."

— Chris Petersen, Boise State football coach

have the talent and maybe we do, to be ranked whatever. We got what we got. We like what we have. But, our whole mission is just to try to get better each week. As corny as that sounds, it is hard to do."

As a pollster, he said he spends about five minutes each week preparing his his ballot

but added that none of it really matters, nor can he properly gauge the competition until the final weeks of the season.

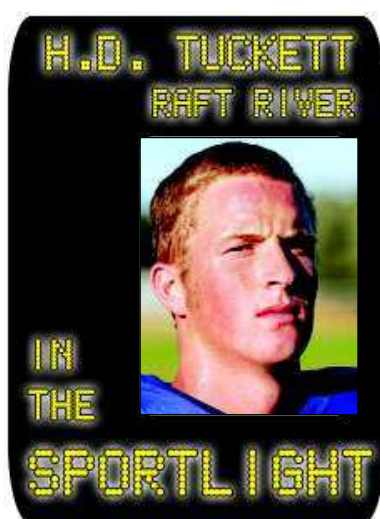
Petersen laughed off the idea his team may be one of the best, if not the best team in the country. If the Broncos remain ranked this well come December, they have a legitimate

chance for another at-large berth in the Bowl Championship Series and an outside chance to play for a national championship.

"If enough teams knocked each other out along the way, it probably could happen," Petersen said. "We have nine games left. It's just comical for us to talk about that right now. When I played football there were only nine games."

While it's flattering to be ranked so high, the hype's influence on players is always a concern for coaches. The BSU staff is no exception, especially during weeks like this: the Broncos are expected to clobber the

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Raft River's Tuckett thrives at new position

By Ryan Howe
Times-News writer

MALTA — Heading into this fall, H.D. Tuckett never dreamed he would spend his senior season as Raft River's starting quarterback.

The Trojans began the season with junior Nelson Manning as the signal caller in their new spread offense. But during Raft River's season-opening loss to Castleford, Manning suffered a knee injury, which opened the door for Tuckett to move over from wide receiver.

"Things happen, and you've just got to adapt," Tuckett said. "It makes you realize that you have to know everybody else's position in 8-man football because you might be thrown in there one day."

Since Tuckett isn't the passer that Manning is, Raft River coach Randy Spaeth decided to go back to the single wing, which has been the Trojans' bread and butter. The players have responded with higher confidence and better execution.

As a running quarterback, Tuckett is able to make pre-snap reads and find natural creases in the defense.

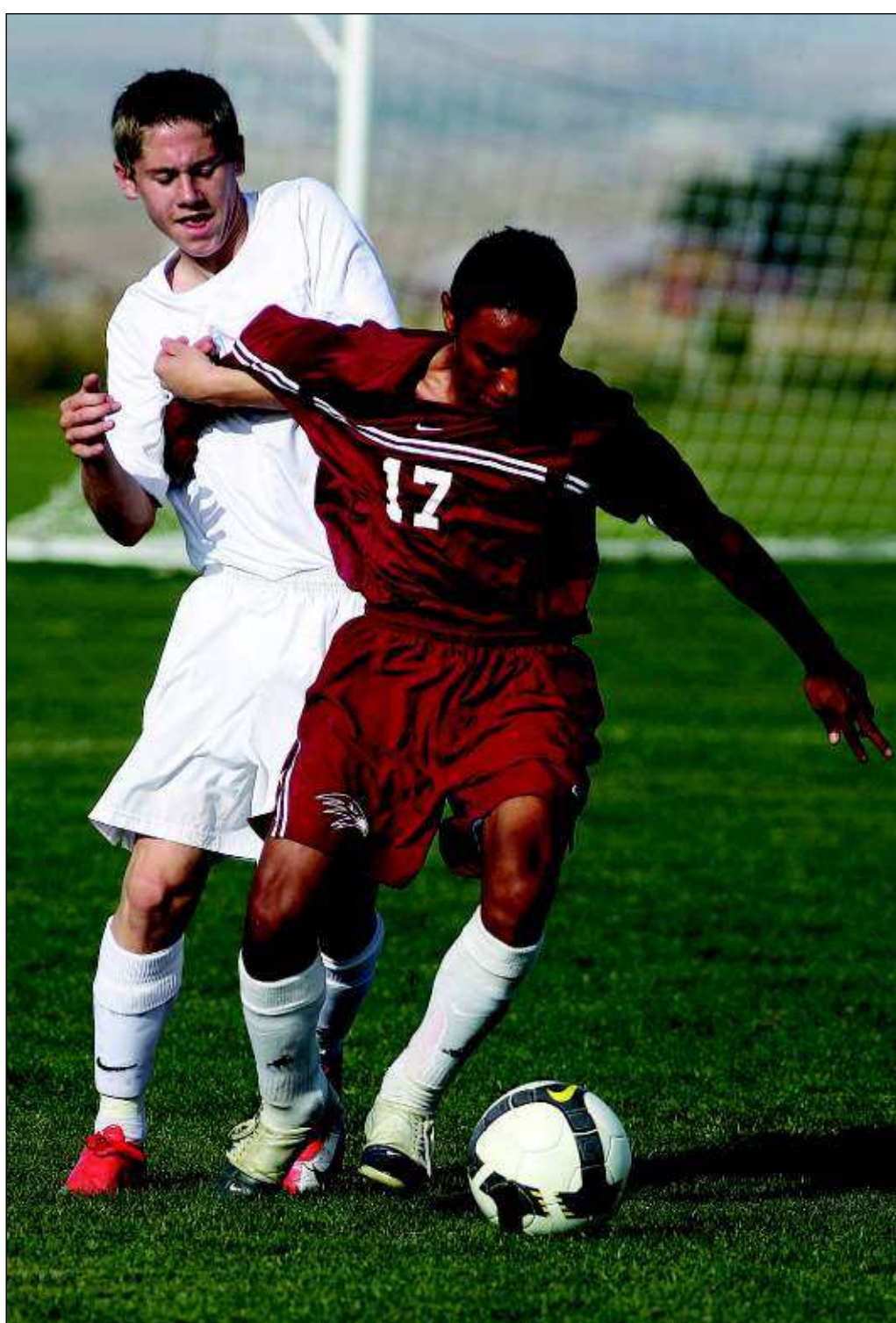
"H.D. is probably, football-wise, our smartest kid on the field," said Spaeth. "He understands the game very well. He quickly picks up and understands blocking schemes. He understands his reads on plays."

Now Raft River has reeled off three straight victories and finds itself back in the thick of a Snake River Conference title hunt, thanks in large part to Tuckett's play. In three games at QB, Tuckett has scored 12 touchdowns, rushed for 675 yards and averaged 8.7 yards per carry.

"Our (offensive) line showed up to play," Tuckett said. "We weren't the

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Another tie in T.F.



Canyon Ridge High School player Jose Santos (17) steals the ball from Twin Falls High School player Ryan Geist (4) Monday afternoon in Twin Falls. The Riverhawks and Bruins tied again. Read about this game and more on Sports 2.

MEAGAN THOMPSON/Times-News

Tebow may be ready for LSU

The Associated Press

GAINESVILLE, Fla. — Tim Tebow could be back in the huddle in time for Florida's biggest game of the season.

Coach Urban Meyer said Monday that his star quarterback was feeling better and eating well two days after sustaining a concussion at Kentucky. Although Tebow still has "a little bit of a headache," Meyer hopes he will be able to play when the top-ranked Gators (4-0) return to the field Oct. 10 at LSU.

"I think so, but I don't know that," Meyer said. The 2007 Heisman Trophy winner was put through a battery of tests Monday and was scheduled for more Tuesday, Meyer said. Meyer

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AP photo

Tim Tebow (15) lies flat on the turf Saturday after being sacked by Kentucky defensive end Taylor Wyndham in the second half of their game in Lexington, Ky.

The Ballers' Bash

It begins Thursday. It ends in six months. What happens in between is only conjecture. But now is the time when hoops hope springs eternal for the College of Southern men's and women's basketball teams.

The Golden Eagles take the floor for the first time Thursday night, giving fans a sneak peek at this year's teams during the CSI Basketball Bash. After spending a month with their current crops on campus, men's coach Steve Gosar and women's coach Randy Rogers like what they see.



Mike Christensen

After practically starting from scratch in his first season with only one returning player, Gosar has five players back this year. That group is joined by transfer players Antonio Owens, Kenny Buckner and Travis George. "We've got eight two-year guys and I think that's really helped us and given us a leg up on where we were at this point last year," said Gosar.

There's also 6-foot-7 freshman forward Josten Thomas, who joined CSI last December and is "almost like a sophomore" in Gosar's eyes.

Rogers' team is a fountain of freshman youth, with nine first-year athletes on the 14-player roster. But the returnees include All-American post players Shauneice Samms and Maddy Plunkett, both of whom have a Region 18 Player of the Year honor on their resume — leading Rogers to proclaim the obvious: "We'll be strong inside."

While talent goes a long way, it's just one component of a successful season. That's why both Gosar and Rogers love what they see among their players on and off the court.

Said Gosar: "This is a group of guys that really care about each other. I really feel a chemistry and a bond with these guys."

"Our chemistry has a

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Carolina Panthers wide receiver Steve Smith (89) attempts to escape a tackle by Dallas Cowboys cornerback Terence Newman (41) Monday during the first quarter in Arlington, Texas.

AP photo



Cowboys' D leads the way to 21-7 win

By Jaime Aron
Associate Press writer

ARLINGTON, Texas — Terence Newman dived into the end zone, threw the ball into the air and exhaled. The Dallas Cowboys were headed to victory and their maligned defense was the main reason for it. Newman returned an inter-

ception 27 yards for a touchdown with 5:07 left, cracking open a tight game and sending the Cowboys to a 21-7 victory over the Carolina Panthers on Monday night.

Dallas (2-1) came into this game without a takeaway or a sack, the latter number an especially sorry stat for last year's NFL leaders. But the Cowboys

harassed Jake Delhomme into three sacks, two interceptions and a fumble — and, most importantly, forced him and the Panthers (0-3) into four straight three-and-outs to start the second half. Two sacks and the fumble came on Carolina's final drive.

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SCOREBOARD

AUTO RACING

NASCAR Sprint Cup Leaders Through Sept. 27. Points: 1. Mark Martin, 5,400; 2. Jimmie Johnson, 5,390...

Money: 1. Matt Kenseth, \$5,824,712; 2. Tony Stewart, \$3,708,837; 3. Jimmie Johnson, \$5,617,026...

BASEBALL

American League All Times MDT. EAST: NY Yankees 101, L. 56, Pct. .583, GB 9 1/2...

RAYS 7, ORIOLES 6. Baltimore: BRorits 2b 6, r 1, b 2; Bartlett ss 3, a 0, o 0...

YANKEES 8, ROYALS 2. Kansas City: Maier lf 3, o 1, h 0; Gardnr cf 4, a 1, r 1...

WHITE SOX 6, INDIANS 1. Chicago: Wise rf 4, l 1, r 2; JCarroll 2b 4, o 1, b 0...

AL Boxes. BLUE JAYS 11, RED SOX 5, 6 1/2 INNINGS. Toronto: JBaust rf 5, a 1, r 3; Ellis cf 2, o 0, b 0...

ASTROS 8, PHILLIES 2. Houston: Bourc cf 5, a 1, b 0; Rollins ss 3, l 1, r 1...

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GAME PLAN

LOCAL COLLEGE VOLLEYBALL 7 p.m. Raft River at Lighthouse Christian, RSMS...

HIGH SCHOOL BOYS SOCCER 4:30 p.m. Filer at Canyon Ridge. Wendell at Snake River...

HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS SOCCER 3:30 p.m. Wendell at Snake River. Filer at Canyon Ridge...

HIGH SCHOOL VOLLEYBALL 4 p.m. Kimberly, Marsh Valley at American Falls. Carey at Magic Valley Christian...

AMERICAN EAST: N.Y. Jets 3, o 0, l 1,000, 64, 33; New England 2, l 1, o 0, 667, 60, 50...

AMERICAN SOUTH: Indianapolis 3, o 0, l 1,000, 72, 45; Jacksonville 1, l 1, o 0, 667, 61, 56...

NATIONAL EAST: N.Y. Giants 3, o 0, l 1,000, 80, 48; Dallas 2, l 1, o 0, 667, 86, 61...

NATIONAL WEST: San Francisco 2, l 1, o 0, 667, 67, 53; Seattle 1, l 1, o 0, 333, 57, 48...

FLORIDA BRAVES 4, MARLINS 0. Atlanta: Coghlin lf 4, l 2, o 0; McLouth cf 2, a 1, r 1...

FLORIDA ATLANTA. Atlanta: Coghlin lf 4, l 2, o 0; McLouth cf 2, a 1, r 1. Miami: Wainwright 17, DP-New York 1...

NATIONALS 2, METS 1. New York: Pagan lf 2, o 0, l 0; Maxwell cf 4, l 2, o 0...

NFL Box Cowboys 21, Panthers 7. Carolina: Dal- FG Folk 24, 9-53. Dal-Choice 5 n run (Folk kick), 5:01.

LPGA Money Leaders Through Sept. 27. Trn Money: 1. Jiyai Shin 21 \$1,605,786; 2. Ai Miyazato 19 \$1,451,610...

MISSED FIELD GOALS—Dallas, Folk 40 (WR).

Regional College Football Schedule All Times MDT (Subject to change) Wednesday, Sept. 30...

TV SCHEDULE MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL 6 p.m. WGN — Pittsburgh at Chicago Cubs...

PGA Tour Fedexcup Leaders Through Sept. 27. Rank Name Trn Money: 1. Tiger Woods 17 \$10,508,163; 2. Steve Stricker 22 \$6,332,636...

RODEO Pro Rodeo Leaders Through Sept. 27 All-Around: 1. Trevor Brazile, Decatur, Texas \$254,364; 2. Clint Robinson, Spanish Fork, Utah \$143,950...

BAREBACK RIDING 1. Clint Cannon, Waller, Texas \$221,314; 2. Bobby Moe, Culver, Ore. \$170,339...

STEER WRESTLING 1. Lee Graves, Calgary, Alberta \$120,574; 2. Luke Branganquillo, Los Alamos, Calif. \$112,553...

TEAM ROPING (heeler) 1. Jade Corkill, Fallon, Nev. \$120,722; 2. Richard Deam, Margart, Texas \$111,598...

SADDLE BRONC RIDING 1. Jesse Kruse, Granger, Texas \$100,054; 2. Heath DeWitt, Hefflin, La. \$95,040...

BARREL RACING 1. Brittany Pickett, Victoria, Texas \$155,865; 2. Mary Burger, Pauls Valley, Okla. \$120,616...

Champions Tour Charles Schwab Cup Leaders Through Sept. 27. Points Money: 1. Fred Funk 2,109 \$1,419,573; 2. Loren Berntsen 2,102 \$1,645,286...

TRANSACTIONS BASEBALL American League: Boston Red Sox—Agreed to the contract of LHP Dustin Richardson from Pawtucket (IL). Designated OF...

NATIONAL BASKETBALL ASSOCIATION CHARLOTTE BOBCATS—Released G Antonio Anderson and F Stephen Graham.

NATIONAL HOCKEY LEAGUE ATLANTA THRASHERS—Released G Manny Legace and F Dan Fritchie.

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Still alive: New arena football league launching

TULSA, Okla. — Arena football isn't dead yet. Officials from what will be known as Arena Football 1 said Monday that they will have at least 16 teams ready to play in 2010...

and a former player. Eldredge was injured in an auto accident earlier this year. Tickets may be purchased at Lighthouse Christian Fellowship, which is located at 960 Eastland Dr. in Twin Falls. Information: 737-1725.

OLYMPICS Olympics plea: Obama's risks, possible reward

WASHINGTON — President Obama's decision to fly to Denmark to support Chicago's Olympics bid elevates the Games

to an issue of national importance — and exposes him to political risks as well as rewards at a critical point in his presidency.

Lead negotiator for referees pulls out of talks

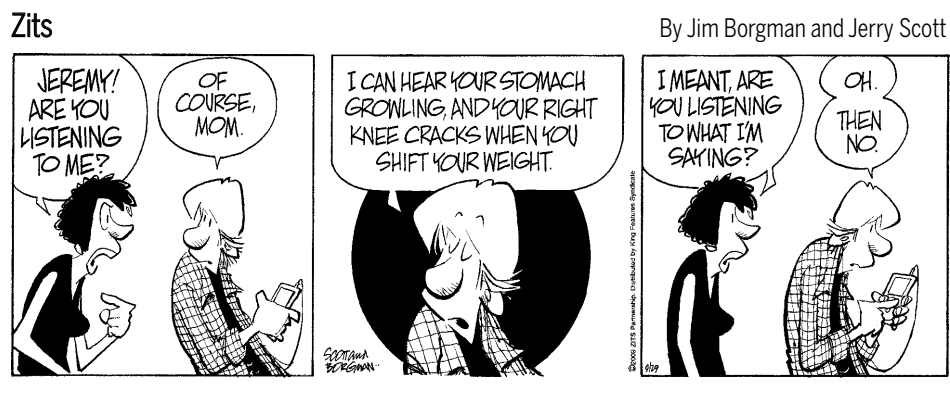
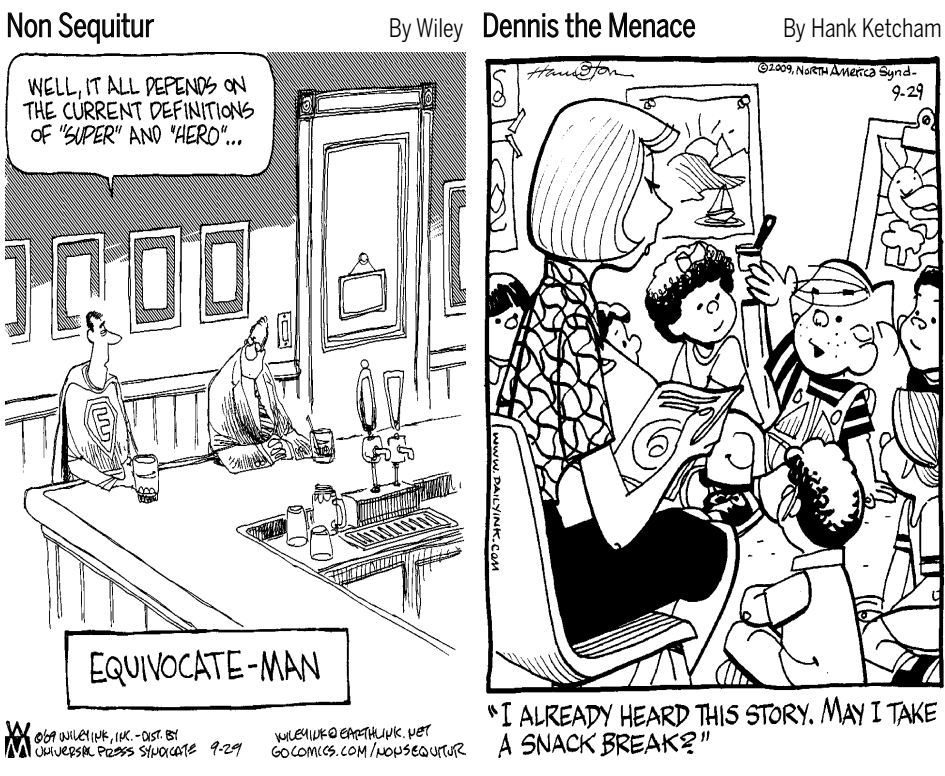
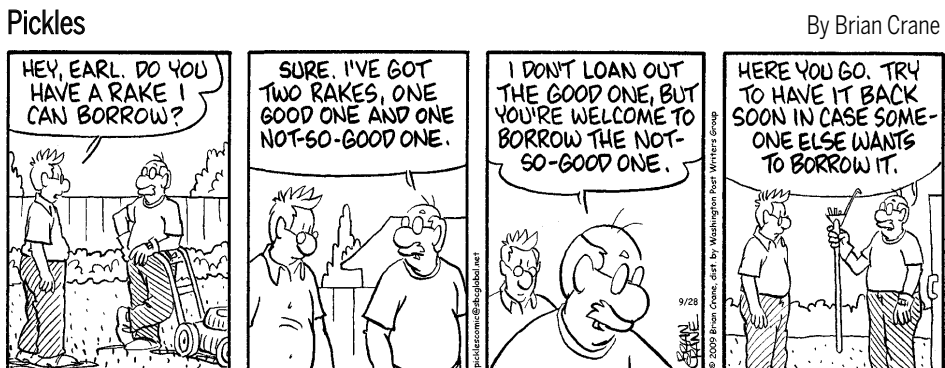
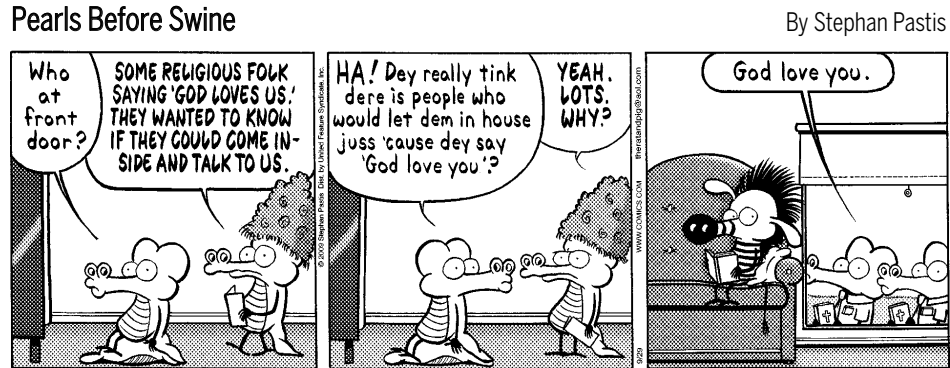
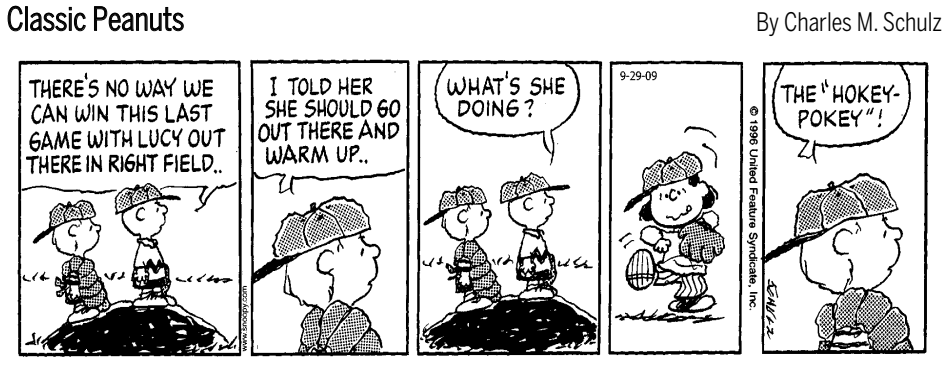
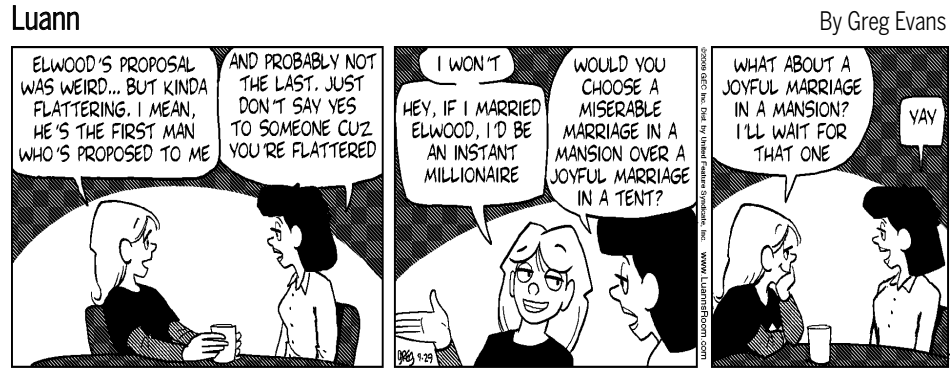
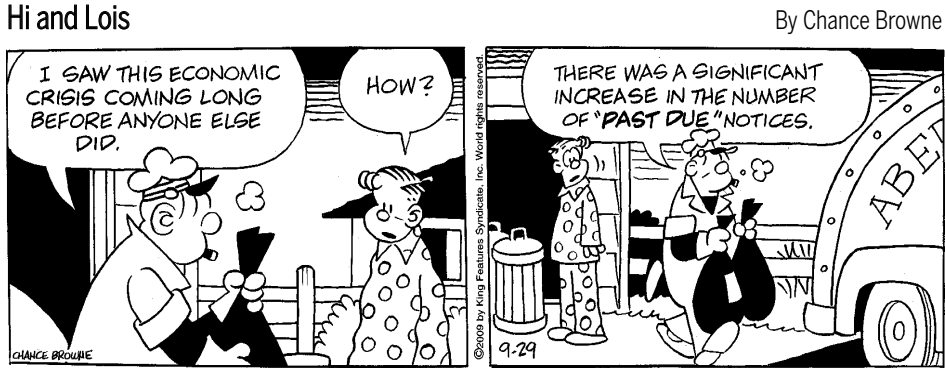
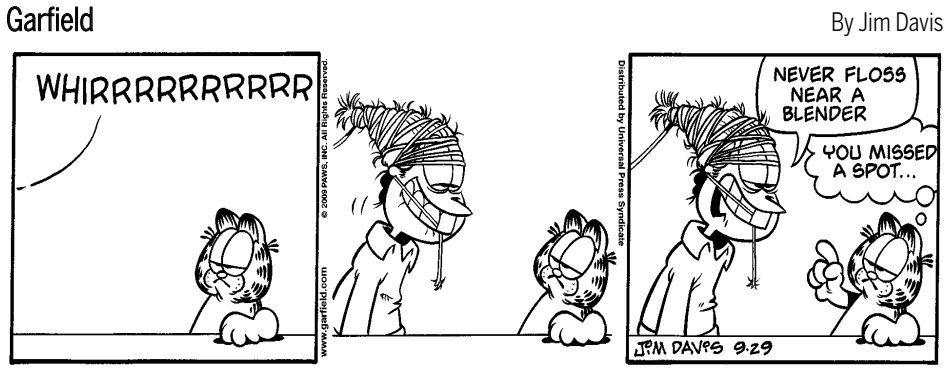
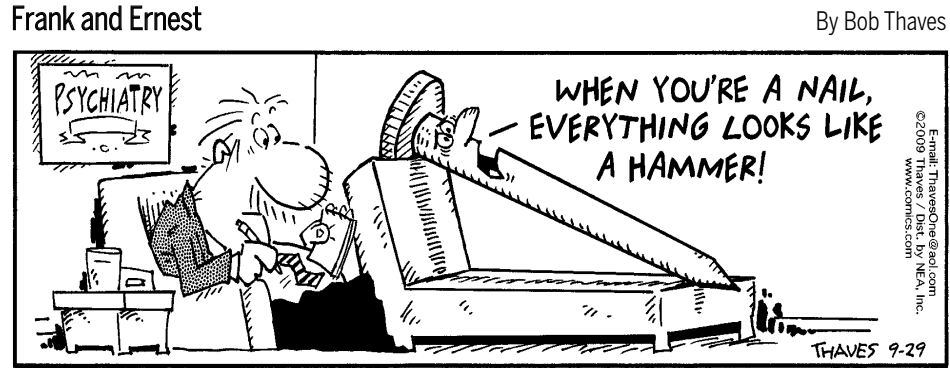
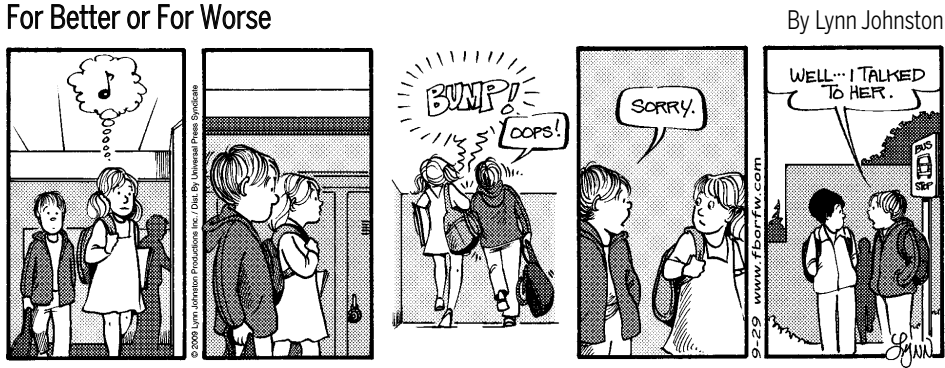
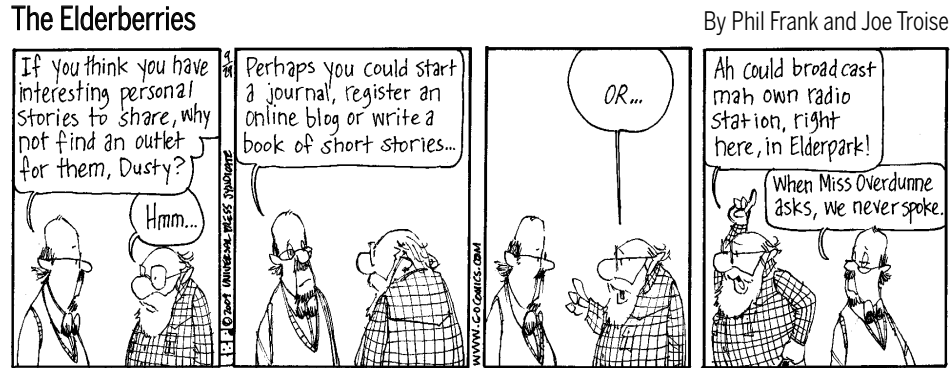
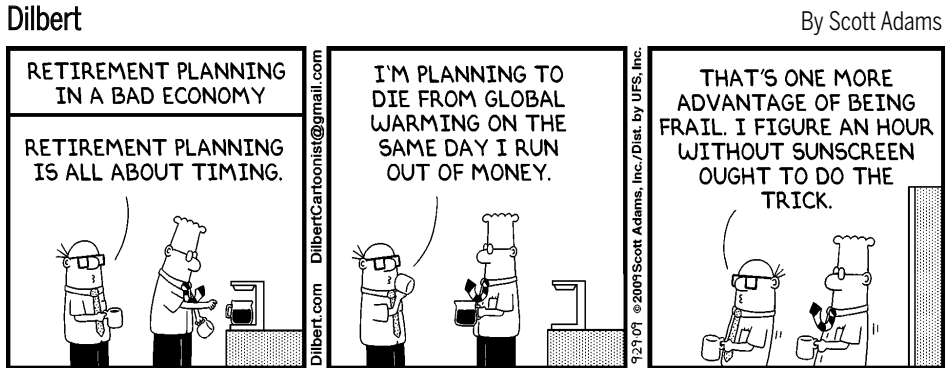
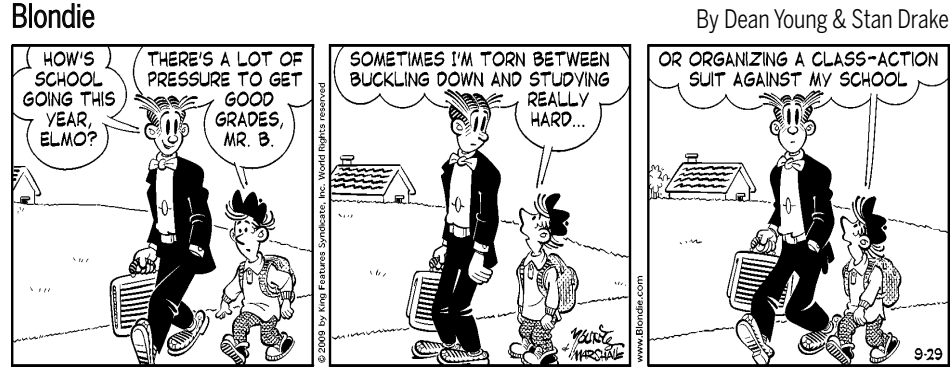
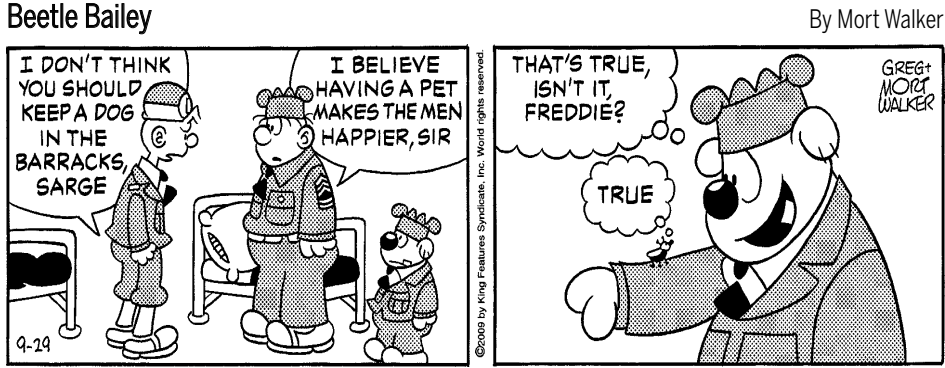
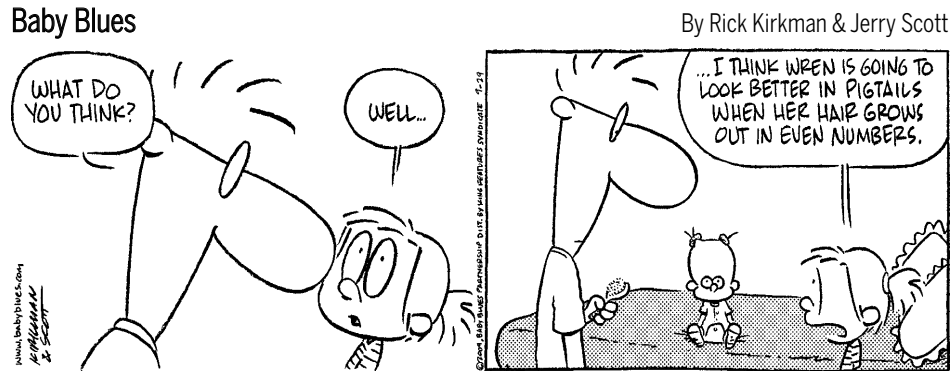
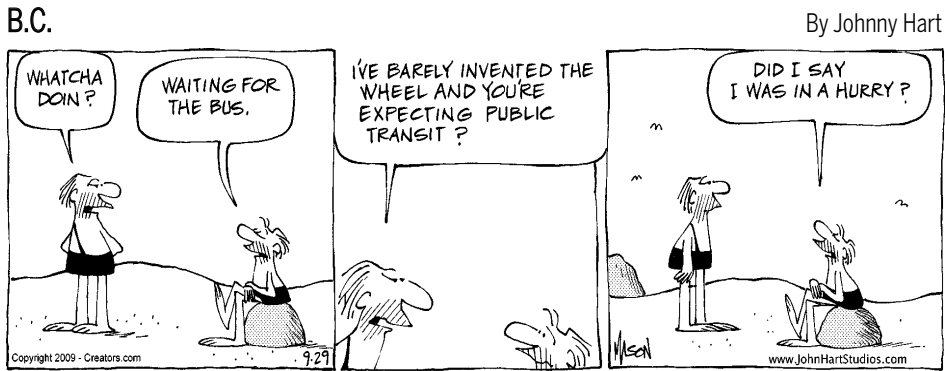
The lead negotiator for the locked-out NBA referees says he is removing himself from the talks in hopes of spurring a deal with the league.

NBA Preseason All Times MDT Thursday's Games

Denver at Utah, 7 p.m. Chicago at Indiana, 5 p.m. No games scheduled.

Football NFL All Times MDT

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