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## Sympathy, not blame, filled Aragon trial

By Andrea Jackson  
Times-News writer

### Analysis

At the Lincoln County Courthouse in Shoshone, the prosecutor seemed alone in pointing a finger at Robert Aragon last week. Aragon's handful of supporters in the courtroom didn't blame him for the hypothermia death of his daughter, 11-year-old Sage Aragon, and neither did the jury. Witnesses told jurors that Aragon isn't a rocket scientist, but he loves his children and just made a mistake when he sent his children on a fatal walk to

their mother's house on Christmas Day. That sympathy for Aragon seemed to linger throughout among witnesses and members of the audience in a trial that captured national attention. Prosecutor E. Scott Paul, however, argued that Aragon was willfully indifferent to his kids' safety, because he let them walk through snowy weather, See **ARAGON**, Main 2

# FUNDING JUSTICE

## JEROME COUNTY TURNS TO VOTERS ON NOV. 3 TO REPLACE ITS AGING, OVERCROWDED JAIL

By John Plestina  
Times-News writer

JEROME — Concerns for safety and civil liability with the aging Jerome County Jail have left county officials scrambling for financing to build a new facility. A ballot question on Nov. 3 will ask voters to approve a lease-purchase plan to build a \$13.5 million Jerome County Justice Facility, which would include a 165-bed jail, offices and a training facility for the sheriff's department. Idaho law mandates the funding question go on the ballot. A two-thirds supermajority approval is required for passage. The county's total lease payments over 30 years would be just under \$30 million, based on an established annual payment cap of \$985,000. Then there are the operating costs, projected at \$2.9 million annually for the larger facility. The county's goal is to meet a projected need of 165 jail

beds for its prisoners in 30 years. The lease payment and operating costs put the proposed jail's combined total annual cost closer to \$3.9 million. But April Lee, general manager of Rocky Mountain Corrections, which is the paid consultant for county officials, told the *Times-News* the cost to the county would be about the same as the current yearly jail budget of \$1 million, with other costs offset by revenue from renting jail beds to other counties. County Commission Chairman Charlie Howell said a "yes" vote would authorize the county to lease the jail from outside investors through the 30-year lease-to-purchase agreement. But the ballot measure will not give the county authority to increase its tax levy. Howell said the existing sheriff's budget and additional revenue gen-

erated by renting jail beds would fund lease payments and operating expenses for at least five to seven years. **Immediate needs** Jerome County Sheriff Doug McFall and Lt. Robert Haas, the jail's administrator, say a new jail is needed because the county's 35-year-old lockup is too small to house the average number of county inmates. Considerations for the overcrowded, 34-inmate jail have resulted in early release for some prisoners, others not going to jail and the county renting jail beds in other counties at an average annual cost of \$200,000, McFall said. The cost of shipping inmates elsewhere exceeded \$220,000 in 2007. See **JAIL**, Main 7

## Zip line proposed for Twin Falls

By Ben Botkin  
Times-News writer

An enterprise billed as the "world's first powered zip line," with controllable speeds of up to 90 mph, has been proposed for the Twin Falls side of the Snake River canyon. Magic Valley Flight Simulation, a Twin Falls limited liability company, wants to bring a zip line to the canyon rim that would be 3,558 feet long. Under

the proposal, the zip line would be bidirectional and turn 180 degrees to return to its launch site adjacent to Canyon Crest Dining and Event Center, offering a 1.3 mile round-trip ride. The company needs an amendment for the zip line to be an allowable land use and is appearing before the city's planning and zoning commission at its meeting at 6 p.m. Tuesday in See **ZIP LINE**, Main 2



Courtesy photo

A zip line ride, similar to this one seen at Devil's Corral on the north side of the Snake River Canyon in 2007, is proposed for an area of the canyon near Canyon Crest Dining and Event Center in Twin Falls.

## Next apocalypse? Mayan year 2012 stirs doomsayers

By Mark Stevenson  
Associated Press writer

MEXICO CITY — Apolinario Chile Pixtun is tired of being bombarded with frantic questions about the Mayan calendar supposedly "running out" on Dec. 21, 2012. After all, it's not the end of the world. Or is it? Definitely not, the Mayan Indian elder insists. "I came back from England last year and, man, they had me fed up with this stuff." It can only get worse for

him. Next month Hollywood's "2012" opens in cinemas, featuring earthquakes, meteor showers and a tsunami dumping an aircraft carrier on the White House. At Cornell University, Ann Martin, who runs the "Curious? Ask an Astronomer" Web site, says people are scared. "It's too bad that we're getting e-mails from fourth-graders who are saying that they're too young to die," Martin said. "We had a mother of two stuff." See **2012**, Main 2



Above: Jerome County Sheriff's Lt. Robert Haas opens a door manually last week in the county's 34-inmate jail, which it hopes to replace with a new 165-bed lockup. A number of the current jail's doors were originally automated, but the system no longer works, forcing jail personnel to open every door manually. At top: Three inmates share a cell meant for two last week. Overcrowding is a challenge for the jail, as county prisoners outnumber the available beds at the facility. The county has sent inmates to other facilities in southern Idaho at a cost of \$50 per day to deal with its lack of space.

# MORNING BRIEFING

## Pat's Picks

Three things to do today

Pat Marcantonio



- You don't have to go to Yellowstone to see geysers. Visit the Soda Springs Geysers that shoots water 100 feet in the air. The town is also on the Oregon Trail for you history buffs.
- Check out the magic at Magic Reservoir, where the fishing is good, along with the view of the mountains to the north. (My husband brought back delicious rainbows.) It's north of Shoshone and you'll see the

signs. The roads are paved to West Magic Resort, where you can get hot drinks and food.

- The holidays are here and so are arts and crafts shows. Crafts in the Country will be held from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Twin Falls County Fairgrounds in Filer. Admission is free.

E-mail your own picks to [patm@gmagicvalley.com](mailto:patm@gmagicvalley.com).

## Aragon

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and then left the area without making sure they were OK.

But not even Sage's mother was demanding a guilty verdict for that.

JoLeta Jenks, one of Paul's witnesses, felt helpless when her kids were missing on Christmas, she testified.

Before word of a verdict swept through the courthouse, though, Jenks said that Aragon is punished by his own loss.

And when the verdict was read, she sat in the courtroom beside Aragon's supporters, including his adult daughter, Lorraine, who testified for the defense.

Bear Aragon, Sage's now 13-year-old brother, was separated from his sister during their trek and was later found in a public restroom suffering from hypothermia. His sister's dead body was found under snow a short distance away.

But even he didn't blame his father for Sage's death.

Bear told jurors that he wanted to see his mom and get help for his dad with his vehicle stuck in the snow, when he got permission from Aragon to start walking with his sister.

Then Bear hugged his dad after finishing his testimony.

Jurors learned that



MEAGAN THOMPSON/Times-News

Robert Aragon, center, leaves the Lincoln County Courthouse Friday with friends and family after a jury acquitted him of counts of involuntary manslaughter and injury to a child.

Aragon has taken Bear to counseling sessions since Sage's death, according to Aragon's older daughter Lorraine.

Aragon's housemate and his boss also supported him both on the stand and in the courtroom.

Jurors apparently left the courtroom aligned with Aragon's supporters.

A juror told the *Times-News* he couldn't point to any one thing that Aragon's lawyer, Patrick McMillen, did to sway the unanimous jury.

The juror had served as

an alternate for most of the trial and requested anonymity.

The juror said that everybody has made a mistake, before driving off from the courthouse Friday in a small pickup truck.

Aragon wasn't the only person Paul tried to prosecute for Sage's death. A Lincoln County judge earlier this year dismissed Paul's case against Kenneth Quintana, who is Aragon's cousin and was a passenger on the fateful day.

Paul did not return a call Friday to his office

after the trial.

In the end, Aragon displayed a quiet sense of relief after being acquitted — a different picture from his court appearance last December, when he banged his head on a table as each charge was read against him.

The only gesture this time was a smile. And without making any comment, he and his family walked away.

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## TODAY'S HAPPENINGS

### CHURCH EVENTS

**"CHANGE: God's plan for taking us to the next place,"** speaker, comedian/theologian Daren Lindley presents a three-day message series hosted by Life Church of the Magic Valley, 10:30 a.m. and 6 p.m., 425 East Nez Perce (25 East 100 South), Jerome, 208-234-5876 or [LIFECHURCHMV.COM](http://LIFECHURCHMV.COM).

### CLUBS AND ORGANIZATIONS

**Hagerman Pioneer Association annual meeting,** Bell family to share family history, noon, with potluck dinner at 1 p.m., Hagerman Valley Grange Hall, bring covered dish (all table service provided), 837-4864.

### FESTIVALS AND FAIRS

**Trailing of the Sheep Festival's Dog Trials,** two-day national qualifier hosted by International Dog Handlers and Stock Dog Association, 7 a.m. to dusk, Quigley Canyon Fields, Fox Acres Road, Haily, \$2 per person no cost for children under age 5, bring lawn chairs; no coolers, 720-0585 or [trailingofthesheep.org](http://trailingofthesheep.org).

**Trailing of the Sheep parade,** with local sheep ranching family members and herders moving hundreds of sheep south along Idaho Highway 75; includes historical sheep wagons, Oinkari Basque dancers, Polish Highlanders, Peruvian dancers and musicians, and Boise Highlanders bagpipers and drummers, noon, Main Street, Ketchum, 720-0585 or [trailingofthesheep.org](http://trailingofthesheep.org).

### TODAY'S DEADLINE

**Reminder for Oct. 12-17 "Pennies by the Inch" and "Come Tie Quilts" annual event, tyers needed** for 150-plus quilts stretched on quilt frames, prepared by Desert Sage Quilters of Magic Valley; no experience necessary, 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. daily (Saturday: 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.), Magic Valley Mall center court, Twin Falls, "Pennies by the Inch" donations on behalf of area-children without access to medical care at Primary Children's Medical Center in Salt Lake City; quilts donated to Magic Valley agencies, 734-4386 or 734-3421.

**Registration deadline for Oct. 17 Pinochle Racehorse tournament,** cash prizes for first, second and third highest scores, noon refreshments and 1 p.m. start, Ageless Senior Center, 310 Main St. N., Kimberly, \$5 per player, 423-4338 or 423-4443.

**Reminder for Oct. 12-17 Kids Craft Week,** craft kits available at the youth Services Desk for grades K-6, Twin Falls Public Library, 201 Fourth Ave. E., no cost, open to the public, 733-2964.

## Zip line

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Council Chambers, 305 Third Ave. E. The commission will make a recommendation that is forwarded to the City Council.

The zip line will be visible from the Perrine Bridge and Canyon Crest Dining and Event Center, but cannot be seen from private property or the walking paths along the rim, said Jody Tatum, a representative of the company.

The zip line would go east toward the Perrine Bridge from Canyon Crest, but turn around before the Buzz Langdon Visitor Center.

"We have a unique situation where the private property owners are willing to work with us," Tatum said.

The location, visible from the bridge and already zoned for recreational activity, makes it an ideal spot, she said.

The zip line would be battery-powered and have

speeds that the rider could control — up to 90 mph for the first leg of the ride before the zip line turns around and heads back. That makes the zip line equally appealing to "adventure seekers and sightseers alike," Tatum said.

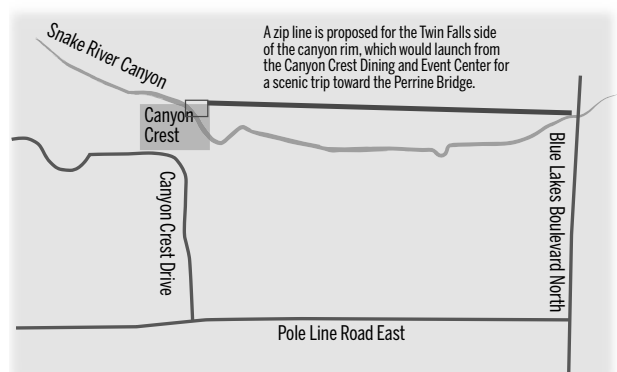
Those wanting a slower ride could travel at about 20 mph.

During the ride, the zip line's operator will be in touch with the passenger via two-way radio and, if necessary, can bring the riders back before the full ride is completed.

Riders also get a safety briefing prior to the ride. Tickets would be \$60 apiece.

Twenty jobs would be created, according to the business plan.

Canyon Crest agreed to partner with the company and make its facilities available to riders for waiting, restrooms and parking,



SANDY SALAS/Times-News

according to the business plan. The center couldn't be reached for comment Friday.

Because the zip line's ride turns around and goes back, there's only one location for launching riders.

The launch site would also be ADA compliant and the ride would be suitable for all ages, Tatum said.

If approved, construction could begin later this year, but is most likely to start in

the early spring of 2010, she said.

Magic Valley Flight Simulation has been exploring both sides of the canyon to find the right combination of rock integrity for anchoring the line, location and property ownership, Tatum said.

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## PHOTOGRAPHIC MEMORY



Photo courtesy the Twin Falls Public Library

JCPenney, which opened a store at 202 Main Ave. S. in Twin Falls in about 1927 — then J.C. Penney's — was started in 1902 by 26-year-old James Cash Penney. During the Great Depression the store paid its workers 19 cents an hour. In 1986 it moved to the Magic Valley Mall. In 1990 the Claude Brown Co. bought the building. Macie's Boots, originally Macie's Quali-Craft, was started in 1953 by Macie Cole. Over the years, it became a shoestore and repair place. By 1969, when the photos at top was taken, the store's slogan was 'The best in the west for western boots.' It closed in 1986.



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## 2012

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young children who was afraid she wouldn't live to see them grow up."

Chile Pixtun, a Guatemalan, says the doomsday theories spring from Western, not Mayan ideas.

A significant time period for the Mayas does end on the date, and enthusiasts have found a series of astronomical alignments they say coincide in 2012, including one that happens roughly only once every 25,800 years.

But most archaeologists, astronomers and Maya say the only thing likely to hit Earth is a meteor shower of New Age philosophy, pop astronomy, Internet doomsday rumors and TV specials such as one on the History Channel which mixes "predictions" from Nostradamus and the

Mayas and asks: "Is 2012 the year the cosmic clock finally winds down to zero days, zero hope?"

It may sound all too much like other doomsday scenarios of recent decades — the 1987 Harmonic Convergence, the Jupiter Effect or "Planet X." But this one has some grains of archaeological basis.

One of them is Monument Six.

Found at an obscure ruin in southern Mexico during highway construction in the 1960s, the stone tablet almost didn't survive; the site was largely paved over and parts of the tablet were looted.

It's unique in that the remaining parts contain the equivalent of the date 2012. The inscription describes something that is supposed to occur in 2012 involving Bolon Yokte, a mysterious Mayan god associated with both war and creation.

However — shades of Indiana Jones — erosion and a crack in the stone make the end almost illegible.

Archaeologist Guillermo Bernal of Mexico's National Autonomous University interprets the last eroded glyphs as maybe saying, "He will descend from the sky?"

Spooky, perhaps, but Bernal notes there are other inscriptions at Mayan sites for dates far beyond 2012 — including one that roughly translates into the year 4772.

And anyway, Mayas in the drought-stricken Yucatan peninsula have bigger worries than 2012.

"If I went to some Mayan-speaking communities and asked people what is going to happen in 2012, they wouldn't have any idea," said Jose Huchim, a Yucatan Mayan archaeologist. "That the world is going to end? They wouldn't believe you. We have real concerns these days, like rain."

The Mayan civilization, which reached its height from 300 A.D. to 900 A.D., had a talent for astronomy

Its Long Count calendar begins in 3,114 B.C., marking time in roughly 394-year periods known as Baktuns. Thirteen was a significant, sacred number for the Mayas, and the 13th Baktun ends around Dec. 21, 2012.

"It's a special anniversary of creation," said David Stuart, a specialist in Mayan epigraphy at the University of Texas at Austin. "The Maya never said the world is going to end, they never said anything bad would happen necessarily, they're just recording this future anniversary on Monument Six."

Bernal suggests that apocalypse is "a very Western, Christian" concept projected onto the Maya, perhaps because Western myths are "exhausted."

If it were all mythology, perhaps it could be written off.

But some say the Maya knew another secret: the Earth's axis wobbles, slightly changing the alignment of the stars every year. Once every 25,800 years, the sun lines up with the center of our Milky Way galaxy on a winter solstice, the sun's lowest point in the horizon.

That will happen on Dec. 21, 2012, when the sun appears to rise in the same spot where the bright center of galaxy sets.

Another spooky coincidence?

"The question I would ask these guys is, so what?" says Phil Plait, an astronomer who runs the "Bad Astronomy" blog. He says the alignment doesn't fall precisely in 2012, and distant stars exert no force that could harm Earth.

"They're really super-duper trying to find anything astronomical they can fit that date of 2012," Plait said.

But author John Major Jenkins says his two-decade study of Mayan ruins indicate the Maya were aware of the alignment and attached great importance to it.

"If we want to honor and respect how the Maya think about this, then we would say that the Maya viewed 2012, as all cycle endings, as a time of transformation and renewal," said Jenkins.

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# Candlelight walk on Perrine Bridge personal to some

By John Plestina  
Times-News writer

A candlelight walk across the Perrine Bridge Saturday night that promoted awareness of suicide alternatives was very personal for Twin Falls County Sheriff's chief deputy Sam Walker. She lost two close friends to suicide this year.

About 100 people braved blustery weather for the walk to spread the word that there are choices other than suicide and to put a positive focus on the bridge.

The Suicide Prevention Action Network (SPAN) planned the first walk for suicide awareness at the bridge. There was another walk in Pocatello Saturday and three similar events earlier this month in Boise, Coeur d'Alene and Idaho Falls.

"It's tough. You just want them to reach out and call somebody and get help. The goodbyes are not there," Walker said.

"Most people don't understand the wave effect (on other people), so even if you don't know them, there is that ripple effect. Most people don't understand why they didn't tell us."

One of Walker's friends that took his life did not get to see his grandson who was born two months later. His daughter is still trying to cope with the loss of her father.

"I was seven months pregnant at the time. I lost 12 pounds in my seventh month," said Ali Stolzman, of Fairfield. "It affected our everyday lives. It's hard because my children will never get to know their grandfather. I had 25 years with him."

"My biggest question is how he could leave my daughter," Stolzman said of her 2-year-old who had a close relationship with her grandfather. "We had seen him the night before (he died). He said he would see us the next day?"



Photos by DREW GODLESKI/For the Times-News  
A participant of the Save the One Bridge to Hope sets down their light with the Perrine Bridge in the background Saturday night in Twin Falls. The event was put on by the south-central Idaho Suicide Prevention Action Network.

Local SPAN volunteers, including mental health professionals and a citizens' committee, planned the walk across the bridge, an art auction to fund a counseling position to provide services to families of suicide victims and suicide survivors, and a talk by Twin Falls psychologist Dr. Eric Jones.

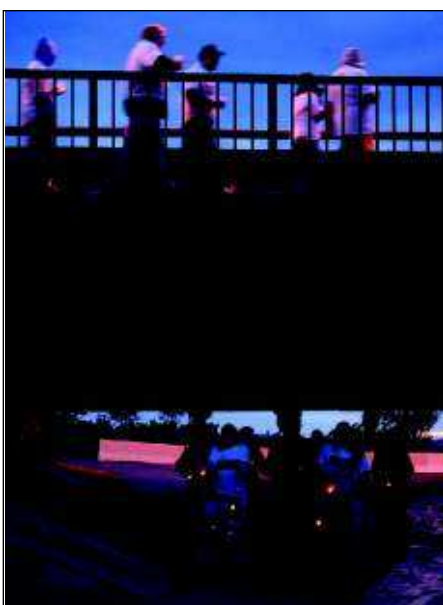
"We want to put a positive light on the bridge and let people know there is an alternative to suicide," said the event's co-chairwoman, Lori Stewart.

"We're entering a season right now that's the most risky for suicide," Jones said of people suffering from seasonal affective disorder and others negatively impacted by the current economic conditions.

SPAN accepts donations and requests that checks be payable to South Central Suicide Prevention Action Network. Send contributions to Lori Stewart, P.O. Box 146, Twin Falls, ID, 83303-0146.

More information is available at [www.spanidaho.org](http://www.spanidaho.org).

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Participants of the Save the One Bridge to Hope cross the Perrine Bridge Saturday. The event was designed to spread the word that there are choices other than suicide and to put a positive focus on the bridge.

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— Twin Falls County Sheriff's chief deputy Sam Walker

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In order to try and raise support and create awareness before people get too close to Christmas time, I would like to announce my October fund-raising special. In exchange for a thirty five dollar donation to the Salvation Army, all new patients receive their initial exam, x-ray, and chiropractic adjustment for no charge. This is a great opportunity for people to help others and help themselves by receiving some of the best, newest technologies to treat back/neck pain, headaches, and herniated discs. See our coupon below and end your back pain while giving back.

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## Law & Disorder...

... in Cassia County

From Sept. 20 police reports:

**Battery:**  
John Lloyd, 36, of Burley, reported to police that he had an argument with his girlfriend and told her to leave the house but that his brother, 35-year-old Timothy Lloyd, "was sticking up for her." According to the complainant's written statement: "I was at my house and asked girlfriend to leave. My brother shoved me from behind off my step and jumped on my back, and twisted the heck out of my neck." He filed charges on his brother for battery.

When Timothy Lloyd was questioned, according to the report, he said that "John was yelling at his girlfriend and Tim didn't like the fact that John was being so out of hand. Tim said he took John outside to talk to him and it resulted in a wrestling match. Tim didn't

say he had John by the neck."

From Sept. 21 police reports:

**Larceny:**  
An employee of the Family Dollar Store in Burley reported that a "white male with a red t-shirt (sic) and blue jeans" stole a cell phone and ran toward Storybook Park. The employee said the suspect, according to Deputy Mark Merrill's report, "was very skinny and looked and acted like a 'tweaker.'" The report further notes: "She described him as a white guy with dark complexion or a Hispanic guy with a light complexion. She advised that he was very dirty and in need of a shower."

The cell phone, despite the name of the store, is valued at \$15 in the report.

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The Polish Highlander dancers will be among several ethnic groups participating in today's Trailing of the Sheep Parade at noon in Ketchum.

## Hailey celebrates wool with 'Trailing of the Sheep'

By Karen Bossick  
Times-News correspondent

HAILEY — Gail Ford looked at Ayden McGonigal as the 7-year-old boy patiently knitted row after row.

"You know, had you lived in colonial America, you would have been required to learn how to knit," she told the Hailey boy. "In fact, children had to knit eight rows each day before they went out to recess."

Ford knits far more than eight rows each day.

A physician by trade, she now has a passion for saving rare and endangered sheep on her ranch near Arco.

And Saturday she brought evidence of her passion to the Trailing of the Sheep Festival's Sheep Folklife Fair in Hailey where she and her array of sweaters, wool dolls and slippers, wool purses and yarns took their place among two dozen vendors demonstrating such varied uses for wool as insulation, mattresses and dog beds.

"As a physician, my goal is to preserve life. When I heard about sheep going extinct, I felt like I had to jump in and do my part," said Ford.

Perhaps the most unusual sheep Ford has is the Jacob sheep, a Middle Eastern sheep that grows four to six horns. The horns helped it survive during biblical times when it is thought to have provided the wool for Joseph's coat of many colors. But it's difficult during modern times to get someone to take a shear to it.

"Shearers take one look at those horns and they say, 'I'm not shaving him,'" Ford said.

The hundred sheep in Ford's fold also include old-style Merino sheep, which are also difficult to shear because they're so wrinkled. There's a lot more wool in all those wrinkles, however, than there is on the backs of regular sheep, Ford said.

Ford also has Navajo sheep, which were nearly wiped out by the U.S. Cavalry as it tried to eradicate the Navajo Indian. She also has Shetland, Lincoln, Icelandic and Washington sheep, which George Washington brought to this country.

"Before the revolution we were supposed to send our wool to England to be processed. Well, of course, we didn't stand for that," Ford said. "At one time we were down to



A Polish Highlander from Chicago plays a highlander violin as if it were a cello during the Sheep Folklife Fair on Saturday in Hailey.

two of these sheep in this country and the male was killed. We had to import semen from Australia to keep the line going here."

Ford literally wears her passion on her sleeve. The underwear she wears is made of soft merino wool. Her sweater is "a mix of all my children." And her scarf is a mix of Angora rabbit and wools from her various sheep.

The merino wool is finding a market in the underwear the United States uses for its troops in Afghanistan and Iraq since the wool can be machine-washed, Ford said.

Fortunately, for sheep ranchers, American-grown wool and lamb meat is enjoying some of its best markets in years — in part because the weak American dollar is keeping imports from countries like New Zealand down, said Carey Flat Top Sheep Rancher John Peavey.

That said, the weak American dollar didn't keep dozens of tourists from traveling from as far away as Florida to the Wood River Valley this weekend to take in the three-day

### TODAY'S EVENTS

The Trailing of the Sheep Festival concludes today with a Trailing of the Sheep Parade down Ketchum's Main Street at noon.

The parade will be followed by a free outing to Neal Canyon a couple miles north of Ketchum for a guided walk among aspen trees featuring shepherd carvings.

The Trailing of the Sheep Festival sheepdog competition will continue from 7 a.m. to dusk in the field behind Wood River High School on Fox Acres Road in Hailey.

### Trailing of the Sheep Festival.

The visitors enjoyed an array of free lamb nibbles — from Moroccan stew to lamb curry — at Ketchum art galleries on Friday night. And then they dug into lamb chops at the annual Basque Dinner served up by Hailey's St. Charles Catholic Church on Saturday.

"It's a lambchopawejea!" said the church grillmeister Jack Peters.

## Bellevue woman accused of stealing thousands from her Ketchum employer

By Ariel Hansen  
Times-News writer

HAILEY — A Bellevue woman stands accused of stealing thousands of dollars from her former employer, including thousands she allegedly swiped after she was given a second chance.

Terri Lee Sanders, 44, of Bellevue, faces two counts of grand theft and two counts of forgery, all felonies, for allegedly signing over to herself checks written by her employer, Espinoza Flooring of Ketchum.

According to court

records, Sanders worked as a sales clerk and bookkeeper for Espinoza Flooring from 1993 until she was fired in 2006.

Beatrice Espinoza, owner of the company, reported to police that she believes Sanders stole thousands, "if not several hundred thousands," of dollars from her personal and business accounts over those years.

Espinoza reported that she first became aware of the thefts in 2004, when her bank called to tell her that Sanders had written a \$1,500 check on Espinoza's personal account. When

Espinoza contacted the bank to advise that Sanders didn't have authorization, she found other checks written by Sanders on that account, according to court records.

Sanders reportedly apologized when confronted, asked to keep her job, and offered to repay the money in payroll deductions. Before Sanders was fired in 2006, court records say, she had paid back \$3,600.

In 2006, Espinoza reportedly discovered after a bank inquiry that Sanders had signed over a payroll check to an employee for \$3,694 into

her own account, replacing the account number on the back with her own. Sanders also allegedly wrote a check to herself out of the business account for \$500, when she was not an authorized signatory on the account.

At her Sept. 14 arraignment, Sanders requested a public defender but was denied. She has retained Kevin Cassidy of The Roark Law Firm. A preliminary hearing is scheduled for Oct. 14.

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# October, icicles, and the case for Arizona

North Dakota has trouble hanging on to North Dakotans.

Various surveys over the years have asked its emigrants why. Cold weather, of course, is the reason folks up-stakes and shuffle southward.

But turns out it's not the 50-below-zero mornings, especially, that drive Nodaks away. It's the blizzards on Memorial Day and Labor Day.

Arctic Januaries are depressing, but churlish springs and surly autumns are positively soul-killing.

The issue arises because winter has already settled into south-central Idaho like your unemployed and recently divorced brother-in-law onto your living room couch. It snowed — a lot — on Oct. 4. Last year it snowed — a lot — on Oct. 11. Based on my heating bill last May, this is a pattern that shows every sign of persisting until Flag Day.

We're being cheated. Just look out your front window: The leaves, most of them, are still on the trees. And most of them are still green.

This is supposed to be Indian summer, that congenial season of brilliant, balmy afternoons and misty twilights. Like April, it's supposed to be a term of transition between extremes.

But nowadays, the extremes pretty much live here year-round. And the best you can say about the return of Daylight Saving Time next spring is that it will be lighter in the evenings while you're shoveling snow.

Is all of this some weird backlash against climate change? I dunno. What I do know is that a few more years like this one, and we'll all be living in Arizona.

By the end of fall, there will be 30,000 Idaho snowbirds — give or take — in Arizona, southern Utah

DON'T ASK ME

Steve Crump



and the Las Vegas area. Growing numbers of them, according to surveys taken in Arizona, won't be coming home next spring.

These sunshine soldiers appreciate the longer days and consistency of the weather — it rarely snows on your golf game in October — and never having to hear Adam Colpack say "Much colder temperatures headed our way for the weekend."

It's true that Phoenix has just two seasons: hot and I-haven't-been-outside-since-March. But isn't Twin Falls a two-season town as well anymore?

My Aunt Doris was a Gem State lifer — born in eastern Idaho, raised her family, widowed and retired there. Swore she'd never leave.

Then one Halloween in the late 1960s, an ice storm struck Soda Springs. Doris had left some jack-o'-lanterns on her front porch as decorations, and the next morning she went outside to retrieve them.

But the pumpkins were frozen to the concrete, and in trying to extract them Doris fell on the ice, hurt her back and had to go to the hospital.

Lying there in traction in Caribou County Memorial Hospital — watching the snow pile up outside the window — it occurred to her that she wasn't having much fun.

So she put her house on the market, packed her Studebaker and headed for a new life. Doris died last year in Lake Havasu City at age 94.

And well into her 80s, she made a point of golfing every Halloween.

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# American Falls district canals shut down

By Nate Poppino  
Times-News writer

American Falls Reservoir District No. 2 shut down its canal system Saturday, halting the water nearly one week early in order to prepare for a late-season aquifer recharge project being run by the state.

Lynn Harmon, manager of the district and the Big Wood Canal Co., said board members originally planned to wait until Oct. 15 to drain the canals. But recent wet weather, cold

temperatures and the recharge opportunity motivated them late this week to move that date up, leaving the company working to alert its water users about the change.

The recharge would use a water right owned by the Idaho Water Resource Board, which plans to put as much as 67,000 acre-feet into the ground as part of an ongoing plan to repair the Eastern Snake Plain Aquifer.

Most of that water is headed for AFRD No. 2's

Milner-Gooding Canal sometime around Nov. 1. The canal was also used this spring for extensive recharge work, but will receive a greater proportion of the recharge water this time around.

Harmon said he believes that's partly because the location of the canal — winding north through the middle of south-central Idaho — places the recharge in areas where it will have a longer-term effect.

"It comes back so quick in the upper valley, I think

they figure on a little better bang in the fall if they get down to this end of the system," Harmon said.

Before that project can start, Harmon plans to perform some maintenance work on the system, including gauge work at Milner Dam. Recharge water might also end up in canals run by North Side Canal Co., but that depends on the timing of other agreements that company has to carry mitigation water for junior groundwater users.

# Benefit held for young boy with leukemia

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Andrew "Bear" Rebon is facing the biggest challenge of his young life — a rare form of leukemia.

The Idaho Motorcycle Club will hold a benefit ride today to help the 2-year old Hagerman boy's family meet medical expenses.

Registration will begin at 10 a.m. in Rock Creek Park in Twin Falls. Cost is \$12 for adults and \$6 for children. Kickstands go up for a card run at 11 a.m., and riders return to the park's

pavilion for a chili dog feed, bonfire and 50-50 raffle.

"We usually raise between \$400 and \$500 at one of our gatherings like this," said Idaho Motorcycle Club President Red Barber. "That's certainly not a lot of money, but it does help to shore the family up with travel expenses and show them some-



Rebon

body cares."

Donations can also be made to the Care and Benefit of Andrew "Bear" Rebon Fund at the Pioneer Federal Credit Union, 1865 S. Lincoln St., Jerome.

# FBI: Suspect is man wanted in slayings

BOISE (AP) — Federal investigators have confirmed the identity of a Mexican man wanted in Idaho for the 2002 slaying of a mother and her two children.

In a statement Saturday, FBI Special Agent Timothy Fuhrman from Salt Lake City said a man apprehended in the Pacific coast state of Guerrero has been identified as Jorge Alberto Lopez Orozco.

Orozco was placed on

the FBI's Ten Most Wanted list in March 2005.

He is charged with three counts of first-degree murder in the deaths of his girlfriend Rebecca Ramirez and her sons, age 2 and 4.

Idaho detectives say Ramirez and her sons were shot in the head or chest. Their charred remains were found inside a burned car Elmore County.



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# Jail

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McFall cited the jail's state of disrepair and failure to meet state health and safety standards as reasons to build a new facility. He cautioned that the jail's condition could result in a potential lawsuit for the county because the jail cannot pass inspection or be certified.

If voters don't approve a new facility, it's possible the county would be forced to close the current jail in a few years, McFall said. That would put the combined cost of renting jail beds from other counties and operating a booking facility in Jerome with a staff of two deputies above \$1 million annually, he said.

Rick Ferguson, executive director for Idaho Counties Risk Management Program, which is Jerome County's casualty insurer, declined to discuss the Jerome jail with the *Times-News*, citing current litigation related to jails across the state.

The American Civil Liberties Union has sued other Idaho counties for jail deficiencies and there are concerns that the same could happen in Jerome County.

## Problems in the jail

Metal walls in corridors between the aging jail's cell-blocks resemble passageways of a surplus ship scrapped long ago, and manifest rumors about the jail's 1974 construction.

Jail deputies say their two-way radios won't penetrate the metal walls, creating a potentially dangerous situation.

Haas also cites safety concerns with interlocking doors between cells that sometimes don't work.

"There's a problem if we need to lock this place down," he said.

The medical office for the jail is in a food storage area because no other space is available. Three stools bolted down in front of small windows make up the visiting area, which doubles as the only holding area for new inmates.

The jail administration room is at once Haas' office, a booking facility, a video arraignment room and interview room for attorneys and other visiting officials.

"It really grinds this jail to a halt," Haas said of having to vacate his office for it to serve one of its other purposes.

Female prisoners are held in Jerome only briefly before they are transferred to more suitable cells at the Gooding County Jail. The proposed new jail would have sections for women as well as men.

There are also plumbing and electrical deficiencies, McFall said. And high costs are associated with even mundane necessities in a jail.

New stainless steel, suicide-proof combination sink-and-toilet units to replace the jail's secondhand 50-year-old units would cost about \$3,500. With installation, the cost is between \$4,000 and \$5,000 to replace one toilet.

Inexpensive porcelain toilets and sinks sold at home improvement stores are nei-



The Jerome County Jail, where the city and county houses inmates.

Photos by ASHLEY SMITH/Times-News

**"This is a totally different animal than people have seen in Idaho before."**

**— April Lee, general manager of Rocky Mountain Corrections, of financing a new jail in Jerome County**

ther legal, nor acceptable for jails because porcelain breaks.

"They'll take that apart and make a weapon out of it," Haas said.

## The cost of corrections

Jerome County would lease the new jail from an outside investor, Municipal Capital Markets of Colorado, which would finance the facility's two-year construction. The investor would sell municipal bonds on the private market to whoever offers the best interest rate. Jerome County would have an annual renewable lease, with an option to purchase the jail at the end of the 30 years for a nominal fee, most likely \$1, Lee said.

She also said the county has the option of refinancing if a better interest rate is available.

"Right now, it's about the cheapest time to build a facility because interest rates are low," Lee said, adding that while the projected cost is \$13.5 million amortized over 30 years, bids could come in lower.

Lee said regardless of whether the county chooses a 30-year lease or a bond issue to build on its jail, the cost would be the same. The difference is that the lease plan would not increase taxes where a bond issue might, she said.

The ballot will ask voters if they would approve a fixed interest rate of 2 to 8 percent for the term of the 30-year lease. RMC recently estimated that the rate would be between 5 and 6 percent. However, Lee said Tuesday that she found rates of 3.8 to 4.4 percent that were valid early last week.

"This is a totally different animal than people have seen in Idaho before," Lee said.

With a new jail the county would no longer have an

average annual expense of \$200,000 to house inmates in other counties.

Haas said Jerome County typically has 50 to 70 inmates in custody, with all in excess of 34 farmed out to other county jails. He said on Tuesday there were 10 county inmates currently held in other jails.

On other days that number was as low as five and as high as 25. The county pays Gooding County \$45 per day to house one inmate. Blaine County and several other jails that Jerome County outsources inmates to charge \$50 per inmate.

While the proposed facility will cost more to run, it will also have a better layout. What Lee called the "wagon wheel" approach to jail design is more efficient than the current linear layout, and reduces the number of staff needed to watch inmates.

## Eye to the future

Based on projected population growth, RMC forecasts that Jerome County could need up to 165 jail beds in 30 years. McFall put the county's current need between 70 and 80 beds.

Until its need grows, the county would rent out excess beds at the new jail to other counties, producing revenue to offset jail expenses. Lee acknowledged that as Jerome County's population increases, it will need more of its own facility to house local inmates, thus reducing outside revenue from bed rentals.

"The most recent projection has operating expenses at \$2.9 million per year and with an annual lease payment of \$980,000 and Jerome County would need to rent roughly 80 jail beds," Lee said.

Over time, as Jerome



The toilet and sink units at the Jerome County Jail are 30 years old and were received secondhand from the Idaho State Prison in Boise. The cost to replace one unit is up to \$5,000 for parts and labor, Sheriff Doug McFall said.

County fills more beds, its costs would increase as rental income falls, she acknowledged.

Twin Falls County has expressed interest in renting jail space from Jerome County.

"I support Jerome's pursuit of a new detention facility. As we continue to face overcrowding issues, having a larger facility close to our location will benefit our county's need for additional bed space," said Twin Falls County Sheriff's Capt. Doug Hughes.

Twin Falls County Commissioner George Urie said the close proximity to Jerome and availability of jail beds would benefit Twin Falls County.

"If they build it, we typically have about 10 inmates out of county. Because of

## What is Rocky Mountain Corrections?

Rocky Mountain Corrections is Ketchum-based a jail development and consulting firm. Principal partners are Blaine County Sheriff Walt Femling, Earl Engelman and Fred Haemisegger, all of Blaine County.

Responding to questions posed by the *Times-News*, RMC said it has no conflict of interest in the planning, financing or construction of the year-old Blaine County Detention Facility in Hailey. "Walt is the Sheriff so he was involved in his role as sheriff obviously, but we as a company were not involved," said RMC General Manager April Lee.

To date, Jerome County has paid \$87,500 to RMC for work on its proposed new jail, according to Jerome County Clerk Michelle Emerson. The contract expires Nov. 3.

The county previously paid \$10,000 to Lombard-Conrad Architects, of Boise, for Jerome County's portion of a regional jail study.

Lee said RMC has no guarantee of involvement with the jail project after the election, but her company would like to contract with the county as project manager. That fee, as yet undetermined, would be built into the cost of the project, she said.

sional "pass-through" inmates en route to state prisons. Lee said an increase of DOC inmates isn't anticipated.

## A suitable location

Jerome County's Jail Project Committee and RMC have delayed a final determination of a jail site until after the election.

They have, however, identified three possible building sites. One is the site of the former Central Elementary School, about three blocks from the existing jail on land currently owned by the Jerome School District.

Another is on Victory Lane near the Idaho State Police Region IV office and Interstate 84. Jerome County Assessor Rick Haberman identified the owner of that parcel as Steve Victor.

The third possible site is on Nez Pierce Avenue, about one-quarter mile east of South Lincoln Street. Neil Kasbergen currently owns the property, according to Haberman.

The county commission has not determined what would become of the old jail after a new facility opens. McFall said one possibility is to use it as a training facility.

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## 5TH DISTRICT COURT NEWS

Twin Falls County  
Friday arraignments

Brandon Kruger, 27, Twin Falls; driving under the influence, Oct. 16 preliminary hearing, \$7,500 bond, public defender appointed  
Graham Michael Wright, 26, Twin Falls; possession of stolen weapon, Oct. 16 preliminary hearing, \$100 bond, public defender appointed  
Graham Michael Wright, 26, Twin Falls; possession of controlled substance, possession of paraphernalia, resisting/obstructing, Oct. 27 pretrial, public defender appointed, recognizance release  
Shannon P. Huddleston, 38, Twin Falls; grand theft, Oct. 16 preliminary hearing, bond previously posted, public defender appointed



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# Buhl enjoys a festival of fall

By Blair Koch  
Times-News correspondent

BUHL — Simmering pots of chili, home brewed beer, non-stop music and vendor booths were just a few highlights of Saturday's Octoberfest in Buhl.

Festivities were held at Mimi's Flowers and Gifts/Saddlehorn Event Center, and owner Mimi Ford said she couldn't have pulled it off without the support of others.

"I couldn't have done this without my family, my husband and kids and my dear friends," Ford said. "The turnout is great and it's a beautiful day."

This is the second year the event has been held in Buhl. It was held at Ford's business last year as well. This year she brought in more activities for kids, including a petting zoo and face- and pumpkin-painting, which attracted more young families.

Her 8-year-old son,



Mimi's Flowers and Gifts/Saddlehorn Event Center was decorated with splashes of country and autumn color for Buhl's Octoberfest, which hosted a variety of activities and food Saturday.

Photos by BLAIR KOCH/For the Times-News

Preston Ford, helped man the small petting zoo set up by the High Hopes 4-H club, of which

he is a member. "I hope people enjoy my rabbits. I've got two of them out," he said. "My

Mom has done a good job with all of this and I just want to help where I can."

While many who attended Octoberfest were from Buhl, the variety of activities — including horse and buggy rides, apple bobbing, artisan and vendor booths, wine tastings, a chili cook-off, trout dinner and beer garden — attracted people from throughout the Magic Valley.

"I thought we'd enjoy the festivities," said Filer resident Melissa Deleon. "The pumpkin painting and petting zoo sounded real fun for the kids."

Her two young children, Aubriana Deleon and Jonah Deleon, were beaming because of the decals painted on their faces.

"We just got here, but it looks festive and fun," Deleon said. "I'm glad we came."

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Aubriana Deleon, of Filer, enjoyed getting a pumpkin painted on her cheek during Saturday's Octoberfest in Buhl.

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# For young, recession offers deals of a lifetime

By Chip Cutter  
Associated Press writer

NEW YORK — The Great Recession has turned into the best of times for young investor Daniel Lee.

Early this year, the 30-year-old salesman in Scottsdale, Ariz., shelved expensive meals and vacation plans and threw “every spare dollar” into the stock market. The value of his portfolio has more than tripled as the market has rallied since March.

“This is like buying a swim suit in the fall or a winter jacket in the spring,” he says. “Get in while it’s a

good deal.”

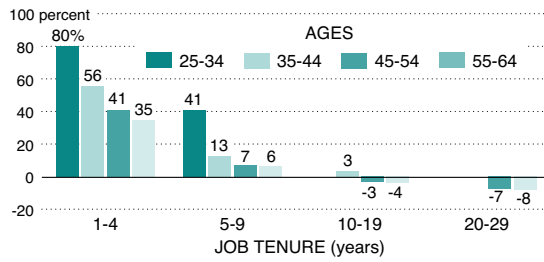
Halfway across the country in Detroit, retiree Irvin Hall, 70, is living through the recession in a different way. His mutual funds fell 35 percent during the stock market plunge that started last fall and continued for six months, and his monthly pension from General Motors dropped by 10 percent. He and his wife pay more for health care and medicine after the company reduced his insurance benefits.

“It takes your mind a while to really adjust to this,” he says. “You’re expecting, hey, I’m set for life, and then

## Generation gap in retirement funds

Baby boomers and retirees were hit hard in their 401(k)s by last year’s financial meltdown, but people in their 20s and 30s with secure jobs fared better.

Change in 401(k) account balances, Jan. 2008 - Sept. 15, 2009



SOURCE: Employee Benefit Research Institute



AP photo

In this Oct. 2 photo, Irvin Hall looks over the newspaper at home in Allen Park, Mich. Hall, a former tradesman at an auto assembly plant near Detroit, retired seven years ago, thinking he had his future planned out. Then the markets collapsed. His mutual fund investments plunged 35 percent, and his GM pension decreased by 10 percent.

all of a sudden that’s taken away.”

The plight of baby boomers and retirees has been well-documented in

the year after the financial meltdown. But for people in their 20s and 30s who have a

See **DEALS**, Business 2



# RISING CHINA

Amid the global economic crisis, China has become financial leader

By Joe McDonald  
Associated Press writer

“Everyone’s so desperate for cash that the Chinese show up with a checkbook and people say, ‘Yes, please.’”

— Arthur Kroeber, managing director of Dragonomics, a Beijing research firm

**BEIJING** — The auto-parts maker Delphi Corp. is headquartered in Troy, Mich., in the heart of the region that made the United States the car capital of the world. It’s a place where the phrase “buy American” is right at home.

Now the 3,000 employees of Delphi’s brake and suspension unit are getting a new boss. Battered by weak sales, Delphi is selling the unit to investors led by a company named Shougang Corp.

Shougang is a steel maker owned by the government of China — a government that calls itself communist but espouses a “socialist market economy” as it marches down globalization’s road toward a capitalistic future.

“Everyone’s so desperate for cash that the Chinese show up with a checkbook and people say, ‘Yes, please,’” says Arthur Kroeber, managing director of Dragonomics, a Beijing research firm.

Explosive growth in China and India, coupled with Japan’s clout as the world’s No. 2 economy, has long been expected to shift economic power from the United States to Asia as this century progresses. The financial crisis and resulting Great Recession are accelerating that process.

See **CHINA**, Business 3

# College dreams deferred, displaced

Economy has made many students put off or alter their college plans

By Kathleen Megan  
The Hartford Courant

In his economics class recently, Ben Telep came across a term that he quickly saw had a personal and somewhat painful application: opportunity cost.

When he graduated from high school in 2008, Telep was offered almost \$25,000 in a scholarship to Connecticut College, his dream school. But he decided to defer his arrival on campus for a year to go to Peru on a Rotary Club program.

Although Peru was exhilarating — an experience he says he will never regret — when he returned to Connecticut last summer, the tidal wave of economic problems in the past year had taken its toll on his family’s income. His mother, Andrea, was laid off in June from her part-time job as a



MICHAEL MCANDREWS/Hartford Courant

Ben Telep, who had to change his college plans after his mother lost her job, had intended to attend Connecticut College but got into the University of Connecticut to take a few classes before he formally applies to the university. He takes his lunch between classes in a campus commuter lot. He calls his car his dorm.

music teacher. Her other part-time job as a church organist looked uncertain.

At the same time, Connecticut College had reduced his aid to \$20,500; the total cost for room, board, tuition and expenses this year is about \$53,000. Telep, of East Hampton, Conn., went to Connecticut

College with his father, David, a high school teacher, in midsummer to explain his new circumstances. By then, he said, the college’s resources had been largely distributed and they could offer him only \$1,000 more.

Suddenly, Telep said, the financial numbers didn’t

work anymore without him having to take huge loans.

“Now we are talking about opportunity costs in my class,” said Telep, 19.

His “amazing experience” in Peru was definitely worth it, Telep said, but delaying college for a year

See **COLLEGE**, Business 2

# Got weirdness in latest milk campaign

By Dan Neil  
Los Angeles Times

The San Francisco powerhouse agency Goodby, Silverstein & Partners takes as its corporate mantra “art serving capitalism.” But I wonder if it shouldn’t be the other way around.

I give you — with a plate of chocolate chip cookies — “Battle for Milkquarious,” a 20-minute Web-only “rock opera” by GSP featuring the exploits of White Gold, the doofus-y guitar-strutter/pitchman for the California Milk Processor Board (the “Got Milk?” people).

We met White Gold in previous commercials. Once a bedraggled, dairy-averse slacker, White Gold has been transformed by the power of milk into, well, a refugee from an ’80s hair band. Actually, with his perm-fried, bleached mullet, biker mustache and white-and-gold spandex space outfit, White Gold looks like the love child of Ted Nugent and

every member of Foghat. That will teach girls to stay off the tour bus.

GSP has produced five 30-second television spots to introduce audiences to “Battle of Milkquarious” that will run through December. White Gold himself is a social-media butterfly, with more than 12,000 fans on his Facebook page, a Twitter account and five songs available on iTunes, one of which is titled “Is It Me, or Do You Love My Hair?”

The delirious and delightful “Battle” is a weird new breed of branded entertainment. In its effort to gather online eyeballs and appeal to a marketing-allergic population of young people, GSP has created work so oblique that it ceases to be commerce at all.

Nor is it marketing, exactly. After all, “milk,” California or otherwise, isn’t a brand but a generic product category. Does milk

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# YOUR BUSINESS

## MILESTONES

### O O H L A L A

Ooh La La Fashion Boutique recently had a ribbon cutting to show off their new location at 161 Main Ave. E. in Historic Downtown Twin Falls. The Chamber Ambassadors joined in their celebration. They have local artistry and jewelry as well as a great selection of fashions to choose. For information 208-733-3331.



### B R O W N C O N S U L T I N G



Brown's Consulting, 619 2nd Ave. N. Twin Falls, recently held a ribbon cutting. The Twin Falls Area Chamber of Commerce's Ambassadors were there to help cut the ribbon and welcome them as Chamber members. Brown Consulting provides physician and staff training related to documentation and coding. Brown Consulting is a twenty year old Twin Falls business. For information 208-736-8823 and 866-736-8823. Pictured from left, from Twin Falls office: Kerri Robbins, Dana Fox, Bonnie Hoag and Shawn Hafer. Not pictured: Donna Monroe from Minnesota and Irene Quast from Washington.

### F I C D E S I G N A T I O N

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## CAREER MOVES

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Surplus Lines of Idaho, an organization of brokers for non-admitted insurance carriers, presented a contribution of \$10,000 to the Danny Marona Performing Arts Scholarship Fund. SLI president Tim Obenchain presented the check to Marona as the Idaho organization hosted a gathering of brokers from 11 western states.



## College

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did have a much bigger cost than he expected.

Like many college students across the country in the past year whose family incomes were reduced in the bad economy, Ben was sent scrambling when he realized he would have to find a more affordable college.

In August, Telep decided to enroll in the University of Connecticut's continuing education program, living at home and paying \$4,000 this semester. Now a non-degree student, he is applying to matriculate in January and become an undergraduate.

At UConn, Deborah Rice, associate director of undergraduate transfer admissions, said the applications for transfer were up by 9.6 percent this year.

Indeed, applications were up at Connecticut's university and community-college system and nationwide in public colleges and universities, a development that many link to the economy.

Elizabeth Carmona of Bridgeport, Conn., is another student who, like Telep, changed her college plans over the summer. Last year, she went to Wheelock College as a freshman. It's a

private college in Boston, which she said is "the Harvard" for those interested in early-childhood education, as she is.

But with the economy, her father's work in the limousine business slacked off last year, leaving her with a debt of \$9,000 to the college. The college costs about \$20,000 a semester.

By early summer, she realized she couldn't afford to return to Wheelock. She decided in late July to go to Housatonic Community College in Bridgeport, where she'll pay \$1,400 for a semester.

"I miss being in the city. I miss the classes I had at Wheelock," Carmona said. "I miss college life. ... I lived in a dorm room. ... Living at home feels like high school, but it's not high school. "It's not hard. It's just different."

Kelsey DeBlois of Southington, Conn., also had plans that were derailed for financial reasons. She had placed a deposit of about \$500 on Western New England College in Springfield, Mass. — where she hoped to study pharmacy — when she got the news: The college wasn't going to give her as much of a schol-

arship as she'd hoped for.

By the time she realized all this — early summer — it was too late to apply to the state university system. So she applied to Tunxis Community College in Farmington, Conn., where she now is enrolled.

For many students — Telep, Carmona and DeBlois among them — the last-minute change in plans meant, in general, not getting their first-choice classes.

All are missing key classes they had hoped to take. Often the only classes available were scheduled at inconvenient times.

Telep was thrilled when he was admitted to the university's concert choir, but then he learned it conflicted with his economics class. And, he says, there was not another class he could take, so he had to drop the choir, although he hopes to rejoin soon.

When he gazes around UConn these days, at the metropolis of a campus teeming with students, Telep sometimes reflects on the smaller, more peaceful Connecticut College campus. "I loved the location, the feel of the campus," Telep said.

## Milk

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even need an advertising campaign? There never seems to be enough around when a kid is in the house.

So if it's not advertising and it's not marketing, what is it? Musical theater with vitamin D? Even its creators aren't sure.

"The days when you could hit kids over the head with TV and radio are over," said Jeff Goodby, co-chairman of GSP. That's especially true with a message about the goodness of milk, which has the reek of correctness and healthy behavior. "We really want to create something that was a destination, that they would seek out," he said.

"Battle" is certainly must-click Web TV. The story begins high above tooth-white Calcium City, in "the love den of the most milktastic rock star in the super-universe, White Gold ..." (Getting the flavor here?)

Henchmen for the evil Nasterious kidnap the beautiful Strawberry Summers and steal all the milk in Milkquarous. White Gold must stop him. Along the way he picks up an ally in Jug Life, a muscle-bound black man (African-Milkquarian?) who prefers chocolate milk.

Stylistically, "Battle" is somewhere between "Barbarella" and "The Rocky Horror Picture Show," and with its Barry White love grooves and hair-band references, the film is a bathtub of Gen X nostalgia.

Stephen Sondheim it's not. But it's got some terrific songs, a breathless goofiness and a mocking virality as catching as the common cold. After all, who could resist a song called "You're Almost as Beautiful as Me"? But will it sell milk? Oh, right, milk!

In its effort to avoid looking like marketing, "Battle" manages to subvert its own

client. Milk here is a mere McGuffin, a reason to spur the hero to action.

Cultural theorists are going to have to find a word for this kind of work. When BMW commissioned "The Hire" series of short Internet films early this decade, the product was dead center — smoking hot BMWs doing sexy things on asphalt. That was branded entertainment we could all agree on. And we could all agree it was inferior to work driven by pure artistic intent.

But what about a clever short-form musical with a milky hero and creamy songs, in which milk is irrelevant? Is this a higher calling of commerce or a lower calling of art?

And, in work such as this, perhaps it's the ad agency's clients who are getting the short end. Advertisers may wonder, who will buy the milk when viewers get the milk for free?

## Deals

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good job and feel it's secure, this is the best of times. Many were renters and had little or no money in the stock market. They didn't take a six-figure hit to the value of a home or 401(k) account. Now they're positioned to invest at prices no one would have believed during the boom years.

Home prices are down 30 percent, on average, and 50 percent or more in some markets. The Standard & Poor's 500 stock index is 34 percent below its record high in October 2007.

Young people are benefiting in other ways, too. The Cash for Clunkers program allowed them to trade in beaten-up used cars and buy new ones at a discount. "They're never going to see that again," says John Rogin, who owns a Buick dealership in Livonia, Mich.

The Consumer Price Index has recorded a rare drop over the past 12 months — 1.5 percent. And the decline for many goods and services has been much greater, allowing young people to put even more money into stocks and housing.

"This is a historic time," says George Jaramillo, 35, a business analyst in Atlanta, who recently purchased three homes, including two at foreclosure prices. "It's a great opportunity to make some great gains in the future."

Besides low prices, many have been spurred by low interest rates and a tax credit of up to \$8,000 for first-time homebuyers. First-timers, many between 25 and 34, accounted for about 45 percent of home sales at the end of July, a figure that has risen steadily over the past two years, says Walter Molony, a spokesman with the National Association of Realtors. Only 39 percent of adults under 35 are homeowners, compared with 80 percent of those over 55, according to the U.S. Census Bureau. So the opportunity for those in

their 20s and 30s to take advantage of the real estate crash is greater than for any other age group.

Young people also got a break with the stock market. Even with the surge since it hit a 12-year low on March 9, the S&P 500 index is 30 percent lower than it was at the end of 1999. A recent study by T. Rowe Price, a money management company, highlights the benefits that young people can receive from investing in a down market.

The study compared how returns differ if someone starts investing during a weak decade for stocks that's followed by a strong one — and vice versa. Somebody who invested \$500 a month in a fund replicating the S&P 500 starting in 1970 and continuing through the bull market of the 1980s would have ended 1989 with \$589,707 — for an annualized rate of return of 11.5 percent.

The 1970s were characterized by high inflation and high unemployment and a flat market, setting the stage for the 1980s when the S&P 500 tripled.

If the decades are reversed, and the strong years of the 1980s were followed by the 1970s bear market, the account would be valued at \$358,972, even though the annual rate of return would still be 11.5 percent. The difference is that the investor in the first situation would have been buying more shares of stock each month during the bad years of the '70s.

"We need to be shouting

from the rooftops that this is not the time to get out of the market if you're young," says Christine Fahlund, a senior financial planner with T. Rowe Price. "This is the time to be in the market!"

For young people to take advantage of deals, however, they need to have a job — and cash. Neither is a given.

The unemployment rate for workers ages 20 to 24 jumped to 14.9 percent in September, up from 10.8 percent in the same month a year ago. Unemployment for those 25 to 34 is 10.6 percent, almost a point above the rate of 9.8 percent for people of all ages.

And the skyrocketing cost of undergraduate education means graduating seniors who borrowed money for tuition enter the work force with an average of \$23,118 in student-loan debt, according to the Department of Education. About 65 percent of students take out a loan to finance their education.

Plenty of people, though, are taking advantage of this recession's generation gap. Ann Seiden, 28, bought a home in Phoenix last November for 15 percent below the asking price.

Some people are casualties of the recession, she says. "And there are those who have kind of seized on the opportunities in it."

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# Zappos-inspired startup is all about men's pants

By Barbara Ortutay  
Associated Press writer

NEW YORK — Brian Spaly's quest for the perfect pair of pants led him and former roommate Andy Dunn to start a Web-only clothing company that wants to sell men's trousers that fit — without the need for fitting rooms.

Business is good for their company, Bonobos Inc., though it's too early to tell whether the startup can achieve the heights of another online apparel store with a remarkably similar beginning.

That company is Zappos, which Amazon.com Inc. recently snapped up in a \$850 million deal. A decade earlier, Nick Swinburn spent a fateful hour schlepping around a San Francisco mall looking for the right pair of shoes. When he didn't find them, he went on to create Zappos.com Inc., a Web-only shoe retailer known for its broad selection of items, generous return policy and quirky culture.

Bonobos, named after the endangered ape, was likewise born out of a do-it-yourself project. Spaly, like many men, had a hard time finding pants that fit well despite his athletic build.

Mass-market pants, the



Bonobos online trousers chairman and co-founder Brian Spaly, left, and CEO and co-founder Andy Dunn pose at their company's headquarters in New York on Sept. 17.

kind you find at chain stores, are often baggy and frumpy, with lots of extra fabric around the thigh, Spaly says. He calls this "khaki diaper-butt." High-end designer pants, meanwhile, are expensive and too tight, cut for pencil-legged fashionistas and runway models.

Bonobos aims for the comfy middle ground. Its pants, most of which cost \$118, have a curved waistband, less fabric in the thighs than the frumpy pants its founders frown on, and a slight boot cut. They come

in classic men's colors like khaki, blue and gray, but also in orange, pale lavender and jungle green with bright flowers.

The company is so confident in its designs it accepts pants for return, free of postage for the buyer, no matter when they were bought and even if they've been washed, worn and hemmed.

That is yet another parallel with Zappos, which accepts returns, postage paid, for 365 days. Both offer free domestic shipping.

Such policies, along with impeccable customer service, are crucial for Web-only retailers looking to sell things that people are used to trying on in brick-and-mortar stores.

Bonobos, which doesn't sell women's clothing, operates under the assumption that men don't like shopping. Bonobos encourages customers to order pants in several sizes and return the ones that don't fit.

Mitch McCann, an Army officer stationed in Iraq, bought a pair last November.

A Web ad caught his eye, highlighting Bonobos' no-questions-asked, free return policy.

"I checked out their site, almost just to find the fine print with the loopholes," McCann, 34, wrote in an e-mail from Iraq, where his job often has him wearing civilian clothes. "I was very surprised by what I found... this was a company that really just wanted to make awesome pants."

The lone downside, he says: Bonobos pants need hemming, because the company believes that ensures a custom fit for each buyer. McCann wishes Bonobos would let customers specify an inseam length and wear the pants out of the box. For now, he has them safety-pinned, and plans to see a tailor when he returns to the U.S.

Bonobos pants were born when Spaly used his girlfriend's sewing machine to rip apart and hem his store-bought pants. As a business student at Stanford University in 2005, he focused on pants even as his classmates turned their eye toward technology. He was soon selling the pants to classmates.

After Dunn signed on as a business partner, the pair, now in New York, launched

Bonobos out of Dunn's apartment in October 2007. Dunn, 30, is CEO and Spaly, 32, serves as chairman.

Neither founder has a fashion background, and the Silicon Valley roots of the company influence the way it is run. All of Dunn and Spaly's 18 employees have equity stakes, including the customer service reps — who are called "ninjas."

Bonobos uses Twitter and Facebook to get feedback on designs. And like any Web startup with hopes of making it big, Bonobos relies heavily on word of mouth.

Dunn and Spaly voice admiration for Zappos, which prides itself on its 10 core values — including "do more with less" and "create fun and a little weirdness." They even hired two former Zappos staffers — one now serves as vice president of engineering. Zappos declined to comment for this story.

Last year Bonobos reaped \$1.6 million in revenue and this year it expects two to three times that, though the company hasn't turned a profit. It offers a "Band of Brothers" discount program, with 50 percent off for 12 months, to teachers, nurses, soldiers and other public servants. They have to write to the company to apply for it.

## China

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"China certainly comes out of the crisis stronger rather than weaker, and it's the opposite for the United States," says Stephen Roach, chairman of Morgan Stanley Asia.

Even some Americans have begun declaring this the "Chinese century" since it began nearly a decade ago. But while they and others fear the rise of China in international relations and the global economy, the reality is less dramatic: Beijing is still getting its own sprawling, chaotic house in order and is in no position to supplant the United States as global leader in the near future.

At the same time, Beijing's power remains undefined: On an unfamiliar global stage, it is unsure what role it wants to play.

For decades, China followed the dictum of its late supreme leader, Deng Xiaoping, to keep its head down abroad and focus on development at home. But earlier this decade, emboldened by success and mindful that their globalized economy needs stability, communist leaders started pressing for a place among the nations that manage world affairs.

These days, Beijing is claiming a bigger voice in global economic forums such as the Group of 20 and is getting more deference in the United Nations, which could mean protection for friends such as Iran and Myanmar. Its military spending is the world's second-highest, behind that of the United States.

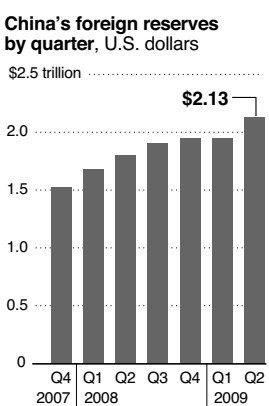
"China is very likely to be the second-most-powerful country — if it isn't now, then within a decade," says Kenneth Lieberthal, director of the Brookings Institution's John L. Thornton China Center in Washington.

For the United States, it's a mixed blessing. The American and Chinese economies are intertwined, and the success of one depends on the health of the other.

The United States is China's biggest trade partner. China sent \$338 billion in goods here last year. Beijing is Washington's

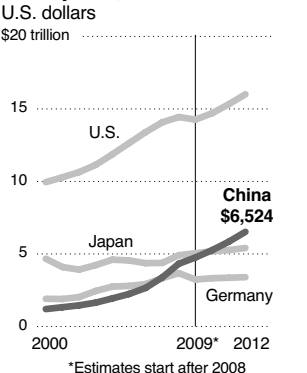
### China piles up foreign currency

More than \$2 trillion in foreign reserves have helped accelerate China's rise as an economic and global power.



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\*Estimates start after 2008

biggest creditor, with more than \$800 billion invested in government debt. American automakers look to China's growing market to propel future sales.

The financial crisis set back U.S. growth by years and will add trillions to the federal debt over the next decade. But China avoided the worst of the crisis. Its banks are healthy and, with the help of a 4 trillion yuan (\$586 billion) stimulus, this year's economic growth is on track to top 8 percent.

Already, demand from China can affect oil prices, and it is starting to influence what products are available worldwide. Western jobs are tied to Chinese spending, from British auto factories to Australian iron mines. Chinese money is financing development of oil fields from Venezuela to Central Asia.

And China's role as Washington's lender-in-chief is altering the dynamic of the countries' relationship.

At a meeting in London in April, President Barack Obama assured his Chinese counterpart, Hu Jintao, that Washington would cut its budget deficit — a promise no American leader ever had to make to a Soviet leader.

Washington's three-year-old strategic dialogue with Beijing has long been dominated by U.S. trade grievances. But the latest round in July, overshadowed by America's need for China to keep buying its debt, became a discussion between equals.

China, a major destination for foreign investment, was starting to reverse the flow and invest abroad

before the financial crisis. The crisis accelerated that and has led to a flurry of deals. In some cases, Chinese companies have stepped in to save Western jobs — a notion unthinkable a decade ago.

In Britain, China's Nanjing Automobile Group plans to reopen the Longbridge factory idled by the collapse of MG Rover to make limited-edition MGTF sports cars. And in Sweden, Beijing Automotive is joining a bid to buy Saab from General Motors, while Geely Automobile wants to acquire Ford's Volvo unit.

"It's better to be part of the race than to watch it from the stands," says Paul Akerlund, a union representative at Saab. "We see advantages in gaining access to the Chinese market, which is the fastest-growing auto market in the world."

In diplomacy, China is only starting to stake out positions on a wide array of global issues. It has used its influence in the United Nations to help allies such as Sri Lanka resist Western pressure on human rights. But Chinese leaders have yet to decide what overall political and military role they want abroad.

"They clearly want to be a country of some gravitas both regionally and globally," Lieberthal says. "But there are a lot of aspects of the American approach — too ready to interfere, to tell others what to do — that the

Chinese criticize as 'hegemonic.'"

Even as it is on track to overtake the American economy in size as early as 2030, China is burdened by enormous problems of corruption, poverty and pollution. Measured by income per person, China ranked 130th out of 210 economies in a World Bank survey last year, behind most of Latin America and parts of Africa.

"China's foreign currency reserves are huge. But that does not mean we are a rich country," says Cho Tak Wong, chairman of Fuyao Group, which produces glass for Chinese and global automakers. "We are about 100 years behind the United States."

China also has become a fast-growing market, and the financial crisis has only increased its importance to global companies. Chinese demand affects everything from global steel prices to the design of consumer goods. Cadillac created its 2008 CTS with China in mind, adding a deeper back seat for Chinese buyers driven by chauffeurs.

Other countries' urgent need for cash has created opportunities for Beijing to make deals for resources to drive its booming economy. State companies have struck oil deals in Brazil, Venezuela, Russia and Africa and bought stakes in Australian and Canadian miners.

Delphi turned to Chinese buyers for its remaining brake and suspension operations after it sought bankruptcy court protection four years ago. The buyers are Shougang and two partners — the Beijing city government and an auto-parts maker, Tempo Group. Delphi says the \$90 million sale should close in November, seven months after it was announced.

Contrast that with 2005, when Chinese oil company CNOOC Ltd. tried to acquire Unocal Corp. CNOOC offered to pay more than a rival American bidder but withdrew after critics in Washington said the sale

might threaten U.S. energy security.

Still, the United States has many strengths that China lacks. The U.S. remains the world center for innovation in many areas and a magnet for smart, ambitious immigrants.

"Europeans may hope that the U.S. has been knocked down a peg or two, but even if that is so, they

could be in for a nasty surprise," says Howard Wheeldon, senior strategist at BGC Partners, a London brokerage. "Never underestimate the ability of the American people to rise to a challenge."

AP writers Robert Barr in London and Karl Ritter in Stockholm contributed to this report.

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Dusty Bender, left, and Allen Riling, both with Shaw Solar and Energy Conservation, install two of 105 solar panels on the roof of a barn on Aug. 27 north of Hesperus Colo. As La Plata County looks to shift to cleaner energy sources, solar is becoming the power of choice even though it produces only a small fraction of the region's electricity. It is nudged along by tax credits and rebates, a growing concern about global warming and the region's plentiful sunshine.

# Solar power outshining Colorado's gas industry

By Dina Cappiello  
Associated Press writer

DURANGO, Colo. — The sun had just crested the distant ridge of the Rocky Mountains, but already it was producing enough power for the electric meter on the side of the Smiley Building to spin backward.

For the Shaw brothers, who converted the downtown arts building and community center into a miniature solar power plant two years ago, each reverse rotation subtracts from their monthly electric bill. It also means the building at that moment is producing more electricity from the sun than it needs.

"Backward is good," said John Shaw, who now runs Shaw Solar and Energy Conservation, a local solar installation company.

Good for whom? As La Plata County in southwestern Colorado looks to shift to cleaner sources of energy, solar is becoming the power source of choice even though it still produces only a small fraction of the region's electricity. It's being nudged along by tax credits and rebates, a growing concern about the gases heating up the planet, and the region's plentiful sunshine.

The natural gas industry, which produces more gas here than nearly every other county in Colorado, has been relegated to the shadows.

Tougher state environmental regulations and lower natural gas prices have slowed many new drilling permits. As a result, production — and the jobs that come with it — have leveled off.

With the county and city drawing up plans to reduce the emissions blamed for global warming and Congress weighing the first mandatory limits, the industry once again finds itself on the losing side of the debate.

A recent greenhouse-gas inventory of La Plata County found that the thousands of natural gas pumps and processing plants dotting the landscape are the single largest source of heat-trapping pollution locally.

That has the industry bracing for a hit on two fronts if federal legislation passes.

First, it will have to reduce emissions from its production equipment to meet pollution limits, which will drive up costs. Second, as the county's largest consumer of electricity, gas companies probably will see energy bills rise as the local power cooperative is forced to cut gases released from its coal-fired power plants or purchase credits from other companies that reduce emissions.

"Being able to put solar systems on homes is great, you take something off the grid, it is as good as conserving," said Christi Zeller, the executive director of the La Plata Energy Council, a trade group representing about two dozen companies that produce the methane gas trapped within coal



A methane gas well works next to a house in La Plata County southeast of Durango Colo., Sept. 24. A recent greenhouse-gas inventory of La Plata County found that the thousands of natural gas pumps and processing plants dotting the landscape are the single largest source of heat-trapping pollution locally. That has the industry bracing for a hit on two fronts if federal climate legislation passes Congress.

buried underground. "But the reality is we still need natural gas, so embrace our industry like you are embracing wind, solar and the renewables," she said.

It's a refrain echoed on the national level, where the industry, displeased with the climate bill passed by the House this summer, is trying to raise its profile as the Senate works on its version of the legislation.

In March, about two dozen of the largest independent gas producers started America's Natural Gas Alliance. In ads in major publications in 32 states, the group has pressed the case that natural gas is a cleaner-burning alternative to coal and can help bridge the transition from fossil fuels to pollution-free sources such as wind and solar.

"Every industry thinks every other industry is getting all the breaks. All of us are concerned that we are not getting any consideration at all from people claiming they are trying to reduce the carbon footprint," said Bob Zahradnik, the operating director for the Southern Ute tribe's business arm, which includes the tribes' gas and oil production companies. None is in the alliance.

Politicians from energy-diverse states such as Colorado are trying to avoid getting caught in the middle. They're working to make sure that the final bill doesn't favor some types of energy produced back home over others.

At a town hall meeting in Durango in late August, Sen. Mark Udall, who described himself as one of the biggest proponents of renewable energy, assured the crowd that natural gas wouldn't be forgotten.

"Renewables are our future ... but we also need to continue to invest in natural gas," said Udall, D-Colo.

Much more than energy is at stake. Local and state governments across the country also depend on taxes paid by natural gas companies to fund schools, repair roads and pay other bills.

In La Plata County alone, the industry is responsible for hundreds of jobs and pays for more than half of the property taxes. In addition, about 6,000 residents who own the mineral rights beneath their property get a monthly royalty check from the companies harvesting

oil and gas. "Solar cannot do that. Wind cannot do that," said Zeller, whose mother is one of the royalty recipients. In July, she received a check for \$458.92, far less than the \$1,787.30 she was paid the same month last year, when natural gas prices were much higher.

Solar, by contrast, costs money.

Earlier this year, the city of Durango scaled back the amount of green power it was purchasing from the local electric cooperative because of the price. The additional \$65,000 it was paying for power helped the cooperative, which is largely reliant on coal, to invest in solar power and other renewables.

"It is a premium. It is an additional cost," said Greg Caton, the assistant city manager.

Instead, the city decided to use the money to develop its own solar projects at its water treatment plant and public swimming pool. The effort will reduce the amount of power it gets from sources that contribute to global warming and make the city eligible for a \$3,000 rebate from the La Plata Electric Association.

Yes, the power company will pay the city to use less of its power. That's because the solar will count toward a state mandate to boost renewable energy production.

"In the typical business model, it doesn't work," said Greg Munro, the cooperative's executive director. "Why would I give rebates to somebody buying somebody else's shoes?"

The same upfront costs have prevented homeowners from jumping on the solar bandwagon despite the tax credits, rebates and lower electricity bills.

Most of Shaw's customers can't afford to install enough solar to cover 100 percent of their homes' electricity needs, which is one reason why solar supplies just a fraction of the power the county needs.

The higher fossil-fuel prices that could come with climate legislation would make it more competitive.

"You can't drive an industry on people doing the right thing. The best thing for this country is if gas were \$10 a gallon," said Shaw, as he watched two of his three full-time workers install the last solar panels on a barn outside town.

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# Columbine killer's mom said she had 'no inkling' son was suicidal

By Kristen Wyatt  
Associated Press writer

DENVER — In the first detailed public remarks by any parent of the two Columbine killers, Dylan Klebold's mother says she had no idea her son was suicidal until she read his journals after the 1999 high school massacre.

Susan Klebold's essay in next month's issue of *O, The Oprah Magazine*, says she is still struggling to make sense of what happened when her son and Eric Harris killed 12 students and a teacher in the shooting rampage at Columbine High School in suburban Denver. Twenty-one people were injured before Klebold and Harris killed themselves.

"For the rest of my life, I will be haunted by the horror and anguish Dylan caused," she wrote. "I cannot look at a child in a grocery store or on the street without thinking about how my son's schoolmates spent the last moments of their lives. Dylan changed everything I believed about myself, about God, about family, and about love."

The killers' parents have repeatedly declined to talk about the massacre. They gave depositions in a lawsuit filed by families of the victims, but a judge in 2007 sealed them for 20 years

after the lawsuit was settled out of court.

In her essay, Susan Klebold wrote that she didn't know her son was so disturbed.

"Dylan's participation in the massacre was impossible for me to accept until I began to connect it to his own death," she wrote in excerpts released by the magazine ahead of Tuesday's publication. "Once I saw his journals, it was clear to me that Dylan entered the school with the intention of dying there. And so in order to understand what he might have been thinking, I started to learn all I could about suicide."

In a statement with the essay, Oprah Winfrey wrote that Susan Klebold has turned down repeated interview requests but finally agreed to write an essay for *O*. A spokeswoman for the magazine said Klebold was not paid for the essay, and there were no plans for her to appear on Winfrey's television show.

A spokeswoman for the Klebold family said there would be no further statements.

In the essay, Klebold said her son left early for school on the day of the shootings.

"Early on April 20, I was getting dressed for work when I heard Dylan bound down the stairs and open the

"I cannot look at a child in a grocery store or on the street without thinking about how my son's schoolmates spent the last moments of their lives."

— Susan Klebold, mother of Columbine killer Dylan Klebold

front door. Wondering why he was in such a hurry when he could have slept another 20 minutes, I poked my head out of the bedroom. 'Dyl?' All he said was 'Bye.' The front door slammed, and his car sped down the driveway. His voice had sounded

sharp. I figured he was mad because he'd had to get up early to give someone a lift to class. I had no idea that I had just heard his voice for the last time."

She said she had "no inkling" how sick her son was.



Family of Kirby Brown/AP photo

Kirby Brown is shown in April 2008. The 38-year-old woman from Westtown, N.Y., was one of two people who died Thursday in a sweat lodge during a retreat just outside of Sedona, Ariz.

## Sweat lodge victim's family says she was in top shape

By Felicia Fonseca  
Associated Press writer

PRESCOTT, Ariz. — A 38-year-old New York woman who died after sitting in a sauna-like sweat lodge at a scenic Arizona resort was an avid surfer and hiker who was "in top shape," took self-improvement seriously and had a passion for art, a family spokesman said.

Kirby Brown of Westtown, N.Y., was one of two people who died Thursday evening after being overcome in the crudely built hut during a spiritual cleansing ceremony. Authorities on Saturday identified the other victim as 40-year-old James Shore of Milwaukee, who served as director of business development at an Internet marketing company in his hometown.

Nineteen other people were taken to hospitals, suffering from burns, dehydration, respiratory arrest, kidney failure or elevated body temperature. Most were soon released, but one remained in critical condition Saturday.

Brown had no pre-existing health conditions that would have kept her from participating in an otherwise safe activity, said cousin and family spokesman Tom McFeeley. That two people died and 19 others became ill at the Angel Valley Retreat Center indicates that "something went horribly wrong."

"Our only thought is shock, sadness and sur-

prise," McFeeley said. "There will be plenty of time to react to the truth of what happened here, but we believe it is pointless to be angry or to place blame or to make assumptions before we understand what occurred here."

Matt Collins, who knew Shore since seventh grade, described his friend as a wonderful husband and father whose life revolved around his three kids. "Everybody who got to know him absolutely loved him," Collins told *The Associated Press*.

Collins said he was stunned to hear of Shore's death, and the family remained in shock.

"Right now we're trying to focus on making sure that his wife, his children are comforted during this time," he said.

Autopsies on Brown and Shore were conducted Friday, but the results weren't disclosed pending additional tests. Authorities have ruled out carbon monoxide poisoning as the cause.

Yavapai County Sheriff Steve Waugh said Saturday that his detectives were focusing on self-help expert and author James Arthur Ray and his staff as they try to determine if criminal negligence played a role. Waugh said Ray refused to speak with authorities and has since left the state.

"We will continue this investigation down every road that is possible to find out if there is culpability on anybody relative to the deaths of these individuals," Waugh said.



Dylan Klebold

## 1 adult killed, several students hurt in Interstate 15 bus crash

INKOM (AP) — A high school band director says one adult was killed and several students injured when a bus carrying his marching band went off an Idaho interstate and rolled.

John Miller, who leads the American Fork, Utah, high school band says several students were rushed by helicopter ambulance to a hospital in Pocatello.

His wife Tiffany, who was traveling in a companion bus, says she thinks most of

the students were taken to the hospital as a precaution.

The crash took place on Interstate 15, about 50 miles north of the Utah border.

The band was heading home to American Fork after a competition with several other bands in Pocatello.

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## Vernon Blair Beck

BURLEY — Vernon Blair Beck, age 70, passed peacefully away Friday, Oct. 9, 2009, at his home in Springdale, just outside of Burley, following an 8-1/2 year battle with cancer.

He was born at his grandmother's home in Archer, Idaho, on May 10, 1939, to Lyle Vernon and Delpha Martha Weekes Beck. He attended schools in Idaho Falls, graduating from Idaho Falls High School in 1957. Vernon also graduated from Utah State University and then continued his education at the University of Oregon, where he received his DMD degree in 1964. He fulfilled his public health service obligation by practicing dentistry at the Lewisburg, Pennsylvania, Federal Penitentiary, and then in Englewood, Colo., followed by an oral surgery residency at the University of Oklahoma.

Vernon married Carole Crandall in the Idaho Falls LDS Temple on June 20, 1963. After completing their education and training, they settled in Idaho Falls in 1970, where Vernon set up his oral surgery practice, bringing with them their three daughters and newborn son. Three more daughters and another son were born to the family in Idaho Falls. Vernon loved traveling with his family, and also enjoyed photography, boating, waterskiing, snow skiing, and watching his children in their athletic and musical activities. He could work harder and longer than anyone, and brought a keen mind and enthusiasm to whatever project he undertook. He was active in the community, serving in many civic, professional and educational organizations.

Vernon was a faithful member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints and served diligently



as a branch president, a bishop, a counselor in the stake presidency, and in several other callings throughout his life. He and Carole moved to Springdale in 1999, where he enjoyed serving as Cub master for many years.

Vernon is survived by his wife, Carole of Burley, and their eight children, Nan (Jared) Johnson, Kali (Jeff) Baldwin, all of Burley, Julie (Dave) Gibson of Farmington, Utah, Lyle (Eileen) Beck of Poulso, Wash., Cari (Tony) Orme of Duvall, Wash., Hugh (Tammy) Beck of Littleton, Colo., Laurel (John) Osmond of Waukesha, Wis., and Carole Jean (Jon) Lomax of Clinton, Utah. He is also survived by 28 grandchildren; his brother, Gaylon (Linda) of Idaho Falls; and numerous loving extended family members.

He was preceded in death by his parents and a twin brother and sister, Norman and Norma.

In lieu of flowers, friends may make a contribution to the Perpetual Education Fund of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

The funeral will be held at 11 a.m. Tuesday, Oct. 13, at the Springdale LDS Church, 515 E. 200 S. of Burley, with Bishop Gregg M. Harman officiating. Burial will be in the Pleasant View Cemetery. No public viewing will be held, but the family will meet together at the church just prior to the service.

## Charles M. Campbell

OGDEN, Utah — Charles Max Campbell passed away suddenly and unexpectedly on Friday, Oct. 2, 2009, at his home in Ogden.

He was born Sept. 22, 1919, in Independence, Kan., the son of Charles Patton and Ollie Mae Whitehead Campbell.

He graduated from Independence High School and The National Academy of Broadcasting in Washington, D.C. He was a newspaper reporter and radio announcer and retired from civil service following 35 years as a sales contracting officer.

Charles married Shirley Mae Graves on Oct. 29, 1947, in Independence, Kan., and they shared their life and love for 62 years.

He was very proud of his military service with the U.S. Army during World War II, serving 32 months in the Southwest Pacific. He saw action in New Guinea, Goodenough Island and Leyte, Philippines. He was stationed in Sydney, Brisbane, and Townsville, Australia. He was scheduled for the invasion of Japan when the atomic bomb was dropped.

Charles was a member of the Episcopal Church of the Good Shepherd and served on the vestry and choir of several churches in earlier years.

He had been a member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, American Legion and the Ogden BPOE Lodge 719.

Surviving are his wife, Shirley; one son, Marshall Max (Mark) Campbell; and one grandson, Patrick Sauter Campbell, all of Ogden, Utah; two sisters, Virginia Belle Loach of Denver, Colo., and his twin sister, Maxine S.

## Clarence Akira Tanaka

Clarence Akira Tanaka, age 76, of Twin Falls (recently of Boise), passed away Sunday, Sept. 27, 2009, from complications of multiple sclerosis.

Clarence was born in Shoshone, Idaho, on Feb. 15, 1933, to Eddie Mitsugi Tanaka and Toshiye Nomi Tanaka.

He graduated from Shoshone High School in 1951 as valedictorian, and from Idaho State College of Pharmacy in 1955, also as valedictorian. He then served two years in the Army as a second lieutenant at Ft. Sill, Okla.

In 1970, he met Kyoko Kawamoto, visiting from Japan, and their first date fishing at the Richfield Canal led to marriage on Sept. 20, 1970, followed by their three daughters. Like their Dad and Mom, the girls all love music and attending fiddle contests became a favorite family activity. The "Tanaka Camp" has always been a familiar and popular gathering place at the Weiser event.

Clarence's long career as a pharmacist was distinguished by his outstanding loyalty to his customers, to his employers, and to the principles and ethics of his profession. He worked as a pharmacist for McCleary Drug in Jerome, Grosse Drug in Shoshone and Pennywise Drug and PayLess/RiteAid drug in Twin Falls. On Halloween Day 1997, he decided it was time to retire after 42 years of "pushing pills." During retirement, he continued his favorite hobbies of fishing, hunting, working in his garden, and



watching Mariners games with Kyoko, and also spent time traveling and visiting family and friends.

Clarence was active in the Lions Club for many years, serving as president of the Twin Falls Monarch Lions Club from 2003 to 2004.

He was preceded in death by his parents. Clarence is survived by his wife, Kyoko Tanaka; his daughters, Lana Shuff (Tom), Tamara Byrne and Gayla Bollinger (Bill); five grandchildren; his brother, Fred (Fella); sisters, Irene Kan (Warren) and Nancy Paulson (Darrell); and cousins, Frances, Harold, Wid, Dick and Robert Tanaka.

Clarence Tanaka will be remembered as a loving husband, father and grandfather, a dear friend, a trusted pharmacist, and a good and kind man. He will be deeply missed.

A memorial service will be at 11 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 17, at the First United Methodist Church in Twin Falls, followed by a luncheon. Interment will follow at 2:30 p.m. in Shoshone, with Pastor Carol Thompson presiding. Arrangements are by Summers Funeral Homes, Boise Chapel.

Special thanks to Drs. Stubbs, Lindholm, Herrold and Bollinger; Multi-Care, Havenwood, and Boise Health and Rehab.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Twin Falls Monarch Lions Club or the National Multiple Sclerosis Society; <http://main.nationalmssociety.org/goto/Clarence.Tanaka>.

## Clifford Hieb

RUPERT — Clifford Hieb, 73, of Rupert, passed away Wednesday, Oct. 7, 2009, at Oak Creek Rehab in Twin Falls, Idaho.

Clifford was the 10th of 11 children born to August and Anna Maria Hieb. He was born in Hague, N.D., and at the age of 5, he and his family moved to Rupert. Clifford worked on the farm with his family until the age of 20, when he joined the Army and was stationed in Berkeley, Calif.

He then married Janine Ambrose on March 1, 1959, and together they had four children, Jerri (Dennis) Cole, Tammy Koepnick, Clifford (Jennifer) Hieb and Amber (Rodney) Blincoe. Clifford and Janine later divorced. Clifford loved his kids and never passed up an opportunity to let them know how proud of them he was and how much he loved them.

Clifford inherited the Hieb know-how, he could do it all. If he couldn't fix it, he could build it even better. He invented and built many things that are still in use today.

Clifford worked many different jobs but loved nothing more than farming and purchased his own farm in 1972; on his farm was the famous rock barn, which Clifford loved. Clifford's passion was to cook. He would cook or pickle anything, you name it he ate it.

Clifford always dreamed of owning his own custom meat plant, where he could make his famous German sausage. He not only accomplished this dream, but extended his products to include salami, pepperoni, jerky, and the best smoked turkey you ever tasted. Clifford also enjoyed making homemade wine and beer. He made many kinds of wine but his favorite was



black cherry, which he grew in his orchard. Clifford loved to fish and hunt. One of his favorite pastimes was going to the canal or river to fish, it didn't matter if he caught anything or not but most of the time he caught big fish. We loved our Dad very much; he was a great father, grandfather and friend. We will miss his great sense of humor and smile, but most of all we will miss his stubborn German ways.

Clifford is survived by his four children, Jerri (Dennis) Cole, Tammy Koepnick, Cliff (Jennifer) Hieb Jr. and Amber (Rod) Blincoe; grandchildren, Janae Koepnick Phelps, Chris Cole, Tayler Blincoe, Trevor Blincoe, Kelsey Blincoe, Erin Hieb, Logan Hieb, Madison Hieb and Ashlyn Hieb; great-grandchildren, Ayla Jade Phelps and one on the way; brothers, Leonard and Art Hieb; and sisters, Esther, Martha, Hildegard, Etta, Betty and Ella.

He was preceded in death by his parents, August and Anna Hieb; one grandson, Jerem Duane Koepnick; one brother, Ted Hieb; and one sister, Dorothy Fetzler.

The funeral will be held at 11 a.m. Tuesday, Oct. 13, at the Trinity Lutheran Church, 909 Eighth St. in Rupert, with Pastor David Poovey officiating. Burial will follow at the Rupert Cemetery. A viewing for family and friends will be from 6 to 8 p.m. Monday at Hansen Mortuary, 710 Sixth St., and one hour prior to the service Tuesday at the church.

## Steven L. Kent

ACEQUIA — Steven L. Kent, 57, of Acequia and Rupert, passed away Thursday, Oct. 8, 2009, at his home due to cancer.

Steven was born March 9, 1952, in Rupert, Idaho, to Ira B. and Velola Lindsey Kent. He grew up in Acequia, attending the local schools then Ricks College. He served a two year mission for the LDS church in Austria. On June 14, 1974, he was married and sealed to Annette Jones in the Idaho Falls Temple.

Steven worked hard his whole life starting out moving irrigation lines for local farmers. In high school, he learned to cut meat while working at Nelson's, now known as Swensen's. After his mission, he worked with his brother, Jerry Kent, at New Century Mobile Homes. He learned how to lay carpet and many other skills that he used the rest of his life. He then worked for IMCO, also known as Interstate Manufacturing Company, for his father-in-law, Glen Jones, where he went on to become part owner with his brothers-in-law, Wendell Jones and Kevin Bessire. He worked there until his health would no longer allow him. He also owned rental homes in Acequia until this year.

Steven was a member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. He has served as a Sunday school teacher, a ward missionary and ward mission leader, a Scout leader, a Young Men's president, a member of the Elder's Quorum presidency, a member of the ward bishopric, Sunday school president, high priest group leader, and lastly as a Primary teacher for the Valiant 10 class, which he loved. He also sang in the ward choir for most of his adult life. He served as a city councilman for the city of Acequia from 1986 to 1998.

Steven grew up loving to ride horses. He also loved to ride motorcycles and loved Halloween. For years he put together spook alleys making many of his own monsters. His last creations are still being used at the Garden Cents spook alley. Steven learned to love writing in high school creative writing class. From that class he went on to write poems, songs and, one Halloween, he wrote a story entitled "Shadow Of The Night."

Many years ago he learned to do magic tricks and to put on a simple magic show for some of the grade schools in the community. Since then he

has done annual magic shows for at least 15 years at both Acequia Elementary School's Mrs. Spencer's class and Dworshak Elementary School with his last one being for the entire school.

Steven liked laying carpet and has helped laying carpet up to just a few months ago. He enjoyed making utility trailers for himself and others, and helped his son design one for his Eagle project. Steven was known for his service to others, anytime, anywhere, anything. But the most fun he had was yearly making toy backhoes and giving them away for Christmas.

Steven is survived by his mother, Velola Kent; his wife, Annette Kent; his children, Troy (Sarah) Kent of Acequia, Travis (Cara) Kent of Boise, Rick (Nicole) Kent of Acequia, Robert (Ruth) Kent of Acequia, Andrew (Alicia) Kent of Acequia, Audrey (Richard) Farnsworth of Dyess Air Force Base, Abilene, Texas, and Daryl Kent of Acequia; his grandchildren, Nicholas Kent, Hudson Kent, Lilyann Saylor Kent, Riley Kent and McKinley Kent; his brother, Jerry (Nyla) Kent of The Dalles, Ore.; and sisters, Verdene Fairchild of WestLynn, Ore., Louise McCarty of Acequia and DeAnn Stevenson of Pinegreek, Idaho.

He was preceded in death by his father, Ira B. Kent; one sister, Norene Davis; brothers-in-law, Ed Fairchild, Harold McCarty and Keith Stevenson; and one grandson, Tateton Sandale Kent.

The funeral will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 17, at the Acequia LDS 1st Ward Church, with Bishop's Councilor Kyle Carpenter officiating. Viewing for family and friends will be held from 6 to 8 p.m. Friday, Oct. 16, at Hansen Mortuary Rupert Chapel and for one hour prior to the service at the church. Services will conclude with burial in the Rupert Cemetery.

A special thanks to Portneuf Medical Center and Minidoka Memorial Hospital.

The family requests written memories and comments that anyone would like to share about Steven. They will be compiled and made into a book for his family and future grandchildren so they may better know their grandfather. Memory cards may be picked up at the Hansen or Hansen Payne mortuaries and you can leave comments on the Hansen Mortuary Web site, [www.hansen-mortuary.com](http://www.hansen-mortuary.com).

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**Lloyd G. Hann** of Twin Falls, memorial gathering from 2 to 5 p.m. today at the home of Colleen Latham, 383 Ridgeway Drive in Twin Falls.

**Helen Sharp** of Post Falls, graveside service at 11 a.m. Wednesday at Sunset Memorial Park in Twin Falls.

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## DEATH NOTICES

### Joe Allison

Joe Allison, 66, of Twin Falls, died Friday, Oct. 9, 2009, at St. Luke's Magic Valley Medical Center in Twin Falls.

Arrangements will be announced by White Mortuary in Twin Falls.

### August R. Blase

RUPERT — August R. "Gus" Blase, 93, of Rupert,

died Friday, Oct. 9, 2009, at Cassia Regional Medical Center in Burley.

Arrangements will be announced by Hansen Mortuary Rupert Chapel.

### Dean C. Jensen

HEYBURN — Dean C. Jensen, 88, of Heyburn, died Saturday, Oct. 10, 2009, at his home. Arrangements will be announced by Rasmussen Funeral Home of Burley.

## OBITUARY

## Anna Belle Bagby



DECLLO — Anna Belle Bagby, age 88, of Declo, passed away on Thursday, Oct. 8, 2009.

She was born on Jan. 1, 1921, in Bentonville, Ark., where she was raised and received her education. She married Frank D. Bagby and together, they had two sons, Joe and Ray. In the spring of 1940, they purchased a small farm near Declo, where they raised their sons and continued to farm throughout her life.

Anna Belle was a hard worker and was a wonderful wife and mother to her husband and children. She worked side-by-side on the farm with them and as her sons worked in the fields hoeing beets and beans, she would religiously take food and cold water to them to help quench their thirst and keep them fed. Additionally, in assisting to provide for her family, she worked for nearly 22 years at Ore-Ida Foods in Burley, until her retirement.

During World War II, Anna Belle was a member of the Ladies Aid Auxiliary. She was also a member of the First Presbyterian Church of Declo and the Declo Garden Club.

Anna Belle was a loving homemaker and used her talents in crocheting, making beautiful quilts, and keeping immaculate flower gardens. She always produced a prosperous vegetable garden and took the produce from the garden to can and cook outstanding meals for her family and to share with neighbors and friends.

She is survived by her two sons, Joe (JoAnn) Bagby of Marsing and Ray Bagby of Declo; one sister, Elizabeth Beaver of Bentonville, Ark.; three grandchildren; and several great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, and numerous brothers and sisters.

The funeral will be held at 11 a.m. Wednesday, Oct. 14, at the Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St. in Burley, with Steve Durfee officiating. Burial will be in the Declo Cemetery. Friends may call from 6 until 8 p.m. Tuesday and one hour prior to the service on Wednesday at Rasmussen Funeral Home.

## Corps says Dalles lock will be fixed by Monday

PORTLAND, Ore. — After a shutdown lasting nearly two weeks, a navigation lock at The Dalles Dam is scheduled to re-open Monday evening. The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers says repairs to extensive cracks in the downstream lock gate are on target to be finished by Monday.

The closure has stopped traffic on a 265-mile section of the Snake and Columbia Rivers between Lewiston, Idaho and Portland.

The lock was closed on Sept. 29 by the corps' engineers, who found extensive cracking on both sides of the downstream gate.

# Fall from success, then failed suicide attempt

*Editor's note: The Times of NW Indiana, a sister publication of the Times-News, was the first media outlet to conduct a full, in-person interview with Marcus Schrenker, the Indiana securities broker who in January ditched his plane in Florida in what he said was a failed suicide attempt. The interview took place at the Hamilton County jail in Noblesville, Ind., where he awaits trial in 2010. He has pleaded not guilty to charges of bilking clients out of \$1.5 million.*

**By Christine Kraly**  
The Times of NW Indiana

NOBLESVILLE, Ind. — If everything had gone according to plan, Marcus Schrenker would have been dead by 8 p.m., he says.

But it didn't. Instead he lay there, bleeding, on the side of a river in God-knows-where. Despite hurling his body last winter from his million-dollar plane into the black of night, smashing through trees into an Alabama river, he had lived. He couldn't even do this right, he thought.

He would wake to the sting of hemorrhaging wounds and national criticism. The mockery and mystery of a nation, he would embarrass his loved ones who — along with Schrenker himself — were left to wonder: How did all this happen?

### 'I knew it was kamikaze'

He saw his face on CNN. "That's when I felt, 'S---, it's over,'" Marcus Schrenker said.

People on TV were saying his name. They were wondering aloud if he were alive. They were saying he tried to fake his death.

He was smarter than that, though. He knew he could be traced. Didn't they all know his fingerprints were on file as a registered securities broker?

If he had wanted to flee the country, he would have done it.

"I knew it was kamikaze," Schrenker said.

But, he said, he didn't expect to live.

### 'He's faking his death'

At 7:18 p.m. this past Jan. 12, Tom Britt's heart began racing. Could this really be from Marcus Schrenker? The man whose face was plastered on network news? "At first I thought it was a scam," Britt said.

His acquaintance, Schrenker, had vanished, after a mysterious plane wreck in Florida's panhandle. Britt, who edits a newsletter about Geist — the tony Indianapolis suburb where Schrenker owned a multimillion-dollar mansion — had been fielding calls all day.

What did he know? Had he heard if he was dead?

"Then this e-mail pops up from Marcus Schrenker," Britt said.

Schrenker had seen his face on national news. He was desperate and reaching out.

"I have embarrassed my family for the last time and by the time you read this I will be gone," his note read. "I never meant to hurt anyone. When life becomes too much people do stupid things."

Britt was startled to get the e-mail but not surprised Schrenker was alive.

"I guarantee you he's not in that plane," Britt said

when he heard Schrenker went missing. "He's faking his death. His ego is too big to go down in flames or handcuffs."

### A world crumbling

"The scary thing about Jan. 11 is I told a lot of people I was going to kill myself, and nobody believed me," Schrenker said.

Schrenker had been secretly seeing a mental-health doctor for more than four years by the time he parachuted from the sky, he said.

He paid cash so his wife wouldn't know. No one knew, he said.

But he said a growing drug addiction and cracking mental frailty began to overtake his onerous actions.

The money manager's behavior was becoming more erratic, and more attention was being paid to his investors' missing money.

Schrenker said he was introduced to narcotics in 2002 after undergoing back surgery. Over the next three years, the need to suppress the pain grew, he said, and by 2007 he was "completely addicted" to opiates.

He took a variety of different prescriptions from multiple doctors in cities from Chicago to New York.

"With a (credit) card and a tie and suit, no one questions you," he said of easily racking up a pile of prescriptions. "I was using opiates to treat my depression."

In late 2007, he began a "defenseless extramarital affair," he said. "I was living two lives." His wife, Michelle, discovered the tryst through cell phone records, he said.

Michelle Schrenker filed for divorce on Dec. 30, 2008. "It just devastated me," Marcus Schrenker said of the split.

Michelle Schrenker declined to speak to The Times, through a request made to her Indianapolis-based lawyer.

On the final day of 2008, as part of a securities-fraud investigation, authorities raided Schrenker's home and office, seizing computers, business records and more than \$6,000 in cash.

On Jan. 4, Schrenker's stepfather, Michael Galoozis of Merrillville, Ind., died.

Five days later, the day of his stepfather's funeral, a Maryland court handed down a more than \$533,500 judgment against him.

"What was happening with Marcus was several life changes," said Skip Beyer, a Fishers-based counselor who said he has been treating Schrenker for nearly two years. "The affair was going south, his stepfather just died."

"I think he had a psychotic break," Beyer said.

"I felt like the lowest piece of you-know-what, just worthless," Schrenker said.

On Jan. 7, back in his native Northwest Indiana to put his stepfather to rest, Schrenker unloaded his grief onto his mother.

"I went into the bedroom and just collapsed," Schrenker said. "Here, she just lost her husband." Now she would have to hear her son tell her he planned to kill himself.

"She was worried," Schrenker said. "She said, 'Stay here.'"

He didn't.

On Jan. 9, after his stepfather's funeral, he left Northwest Indiana again,

driving back to his Indianapolis suburb.

"I saw myself as broke. I could never be fixed," he said. "I screwed up bad. So I made plans to end my life."

### Before the fall

"He always had this devilish look," former Merrillville High School teacher Jerry Kasarda said of Schrenker. "You never knew what to expect from him."

As a student, Schrenker was involved in Kasarda's Quest Club, a drug-prevention group aimed at teaching students social skills.

"I found him very intelligent, one of the sharpest kids I've had," Kasarda said of Schrenker.

Even as a teen, Schrenker showed a kind of duality he says followed him into the dark period of his life. The football player who did the spring play. The jock who shot photos for the Merrillvue yearbook.

"He was really soft-spoken, and easy to get along with," said Mark Owens, who directed Schrenker in Merrillville plays. "On stage, he was pretty good. He seemed to enjoy it."

He got into "obnoxious trouble" as a kid, Schrenker said. There was the time he painted his truck in camouflage green and built a wooden bed on back, from where he could spray water at other kids.

"My father was mortified," Schrenker said, shaking his head.

Between the plane wreck and criminal charges, "I know I've embarrassed him," he said of his father, the former longtime superintendent of Merrillville schools. "I'm remorseful that I've represented Merrillville in this light," he said.

Robert Schrenker did not respond to multiple calls made by The Times to his home in Miramar Beach, Fla. "I've always had trouble with social occasions," Schrenker said. "I think people thought I was rude. But I was just shy."

The Times contacted more than a dozen students who graduated with Schrenker in 1989 from Merrillville High School. A few former classmates would only comment if they were not identified in the story, but The Times chose not to quote them.

Several of the former classmates did not respond to The Times' inquiry.

"I don't think anyone really knew me," Schrenker said. "I don't think anyone knew how I was hurting inside."

Schrenker referred to a "traumatic" event in his childhood that spurred mental health problems as a young man. He declined to discuss the alleged event further.

"It's in the book," he said, referring to his current plan to pen his story.

Schrenker praised his parents as good people, saying, "My mom has been here for me. She says she's not going to rest until her son's safe."

Schrenker's mother, Marcia Galoozis, did not respond to several Times requests to speak about her son.

His relationship with his brother and half-brother has strained under the weight of scandal and criminal charges, he said.

"The whole thing really did some damage," Schrenker said.

Schrenker's brother and

half-brother did not respond to Times requests for comment.

Though thoughts of his estranged brothers sadden him, Schrenker smiled when remembering the times in his life before the fancy cars and waterfront mansion. Before the money. Before the allegations.

Joy crossed his face when recalling his first tiny apartment and "crappy little" car. "Those were the best days of our lives," he said.

After graduating from Merrillville in 1989, while attending Purdue University, Schrenker met Michelle.

Weeks after first spotting her at a bar, too shy to introduce himself, he said he drove to her parents' LaPorte County, Ind., home. He walked up the driveway, introduced himself to Michelle's mother, and said he wanted to take out her daughter. The introvert taking a chance. Jekyll and Hyde.

It was while a student, too, that he embraced his other love: flying. The business and aeronautical engineering major earned his pilot's license, and applied to the Air Force. One day, he would work for NASA, he vowed.

In 1991, he received a bruising letter from the Air Force, he said. He had failed a psychiatric exam, and was found unfit for the program.

He was crushed, suffering what he described as a "psychotic break. It's like you're outside looking into your body," he said. "The gears of logic don't work."

His brain broke in the same way in January, when he said he finally decided to hurl himself out of a plane.

### Going down

On Jan. 10, Schrenker sped around open Alabama fields looking for two spots: one where the plane would land. Another for his body.

He drove around the open area, making sure he spotted no houses. His online map showed just farmland and fields.

He calculated he would hit the ground at 400 miles an hour.

"I wasn't so worried about where my body would land," he said. "It would look like I tried to land."

"If you commit suicide,

there's no pay-out."

He wanted his family taken care of with insurance money, he said.

He had to make it something that was complex. He said he tied his parachute pull with string. He wouldn't be able to back out, even if he tried.

He found two choice spots and plugged coordinates into a GPS unit he bought days before at a store in Merrillville.

On Jan. 11, he drove to the Anderson airport and prepared to leave around 5:30 p.m. He did doughnuts on the Tarmac. With his million-dollar plane.

He hadn't slept in seven days. He plugged his destination into the plane's panel. He didn't turn on any lights.

He didn't ask to de-ice the plane's wings.

He took off. The plane was heavy and throttling.

The ice could have killed him long before he got anywhere near Alabama, he said.

At 3,000 feet, he called the Indianapolis radio tower, and was cleared for Destin, Fla.

He sipped his favorite drink, a caramel coffee blend. He chowed down an MRE — a military-style Meal Ready to Eat.

When you're that low, food doesn't matter much.

"This is it," he thought. "I'm not coming back."

As the plane climbed, to 24,000 feet, he grew eager.

"I just remember feeling this euphoric feeling," he said. "This is almost over. It would look good. My children would be proud."

He made the distress call. He had written notes on the back of a camping book of what he might say.

"Windshield is spider-cracking." "Window is in neck and chest." "Bleeding very bad."

He began hallucinating that someone else was with him, in a pilot's seat. The two argued.

The plane coasted down to 3,500 feet. It cruised near the Coosa River Bend in Childersburg, Ala. He started to waver. Could he do it? The daredevil turned squeamish. "I couldn't push the switch."

He put the plane on temporary autopilot. He hovered near the switch. "And then I did it."

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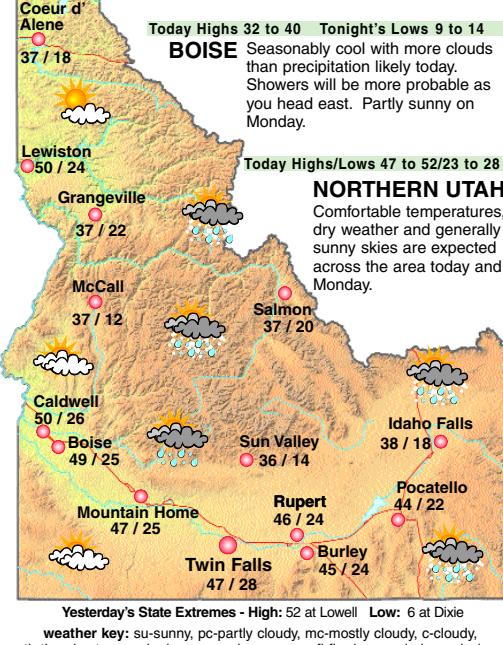
**Today:** Breezy with a few showers possible. Highs middle 40s.  
**Tonight:** Mostly dry with calming winds. Lows low to middle 20s.  
**Tomorrow:** Partly to mostly sunny. Highs low 50s.

**ALMANAC - BURLEY**

Temperature		Precipitation	
Yesterday's High	48	Yesterday's	0.00"
Yesterday's Low	29	Month to Date	0.57"
Normal High / Low	68 / 37	Avg. Month to Date	0.18"
Record High	84 in 1991	Water Year to Date	0.57"
Record Low	19 in 1985	Avg. Water Year to Date	0.18"

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**TWIN FALLS FIVE-DAY FORECAST**

Today	Tonight	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
High 47	Low 28	59 / 37	62 / 42	57 / 42	58 / 37

**Yesterday's Weather**

City	Hi	Lo	Prcp
Boise	46	31	0.00"
Challis	46	15	0.00"
Coeur d'Alene	43	19	0.00"
Idaho Falls	45	23	Trace
Jerome	45	24	0.00"
Lewiston	49	23	0.00"
Lowell	52	26	0.00"
Malad City	not available		
Malta	34	34	n/a
Pocatello	46	24	0.00"
Rexburg	42	20	0.00"
Salmon	43	16	0.00"
Stanley	39	9	0.00"
Sun Valley	39	18	0.00"

**ALMANAC - TWIN FALLS**

Temperature		Precipitation		Humidity		Barometric Pressure		Sunrise and Sunset		Pollen Count		
Yesterday's High	49	Yesterday's	0.00"	Yesterday High	67%	5 p.m. Yesterday	29.97 in.	Today Sunrise:	7:47 AM	Sunset:	7:02 PM	TF pollen count yesterday:
Yesterday's Low	32	Month to Date	0.71"	Yesterday Low	27%			Monday Sunrise:	7:48 AM	Sunset:	7:00 PM	21 (Mod.) Sagebrush
Normal High / Low	66 / 37	Avg. Month to Date	0.22"	Today's Forecast High	57%			Tuesday Sunrise:	7:49 AM	Sunset:	6:58 PM	
Record High	83 in 1996	Water Year to Date	0.71"	Today's Forecast Low	39%			Wednesday Sunrise:	7:50 AM	Sunset:	6:57 PM	Mold: 3479 (High)
Record Low	21 in 1985	Avg. Water Year to Date	0.22"					Thursday Sunrise:	7:51 AM	Sunset:	6:55 PM	Cladosporium, Smuts

**Moon Phases**

Last Oct. 11	New Oct. 18	First Oct. 26	Full Nov. 2
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**Moonrise and Moonset**

Today	Moonrise: none	Moonset: 3:27 PM
Monday	Moonrise: 1:12 AM	Moonset: 4:02 PM
Tuesday	Moonrise: 2:28 AM	Moonset: 4:32 PM

**REGIONAL FORECAST**

City	Today	Tomorrow	Tuesday
Boise	49 25 mc	58 39 pc	52 44 mc
Bonnerville	37 15 su	43 26 pc	48 34 r
Burley	45 24 sh	52 35 pc	58 38 mc
Challis	42 16 mx	49 35 pc	58 38 mc
Coeur d'Alene	37 18 su	43 30 pc	49 38 sh
Elko, NV	47 20 mx	59 30 pc	57 33 mx
Eugene, OR	60 28 pc	60 43 r	59 45 r
Gooding	43 25 pc	53 35 pc	60 39 sh
Grace	42 22 sh	53 34 pc	56 37 mc
Hagerman	50 27 pc	61 37 pc	66 41 sh
Hailey	42 18 mx	47 34 pc	57 35 mc
Idaho Falls	38 18 mx	47 34 pc	54 36 mc
Kalispell, MT	32 10 mc	39 22 pc	43 30 mc
Jerome	44 26 pc	56 37 pc	62 39 sh
Lewiston	50 24 pc	56 36 pc	61 42 mc
Malad City	50 25 sh	55 34 pc	59 38 mc
Malta	46 24 mx	52 35 pc	60 38 sh
McCall	33 8 mc	43 24 pc	44 31 mc
Missoula, MT	44 22 sh	52 37 pc	57 39 mc
Pocatello	44 22 sh	52 37 pc	57 39 mc
Portland, OR	59 33 pc	60 45 r	59 50 r
Rupert	46 24 mx	52 35 pc	60 38 sh
Rexburg	36 16 ls	45 31 pc	51 34 mc
Richland, WA	48 24 pc	50 36 pc	56 43 r
Rogerson	40 23 ls	54 36 pc	55 35 sh
Salmon	37 20 ls	54 28 pc	61 35 mc
Salt Lake City, UT	63 42 r	64 48 pc	67 54 r
Spokane, WA	60 43 pc	66 49 sh	64 47 sh
Stanley	37 12 ls	45 28 pc	50 29 mc
Sun Valley	36 14 ls	41 32 pc	52 32 mc
Yellowstone, MT	23 0 sn	31 22 pc	42 25 r

**NATIONAL FORECAST**

City	Today	Tomorrow
Atlanta	69 56 sh	70 60 sh
Baltimore	66 46 pc	62 52 pc
Birmingham	75 59 sh	76 60 th
Boston	60 42 pc	57 45 su
Charlotte, NC	76 67 sh	73 65 sh
Chicago	47 40 pc	59 41 sh
Cleveland	51 42 pc	54 42 sh
Denver	50 29 c	50 31 pc
Des Moines	48 37 pc	50 32 r
Detroit	51 36 pc	54 45 sh
El Paso	54 57 th	64 56 sh
Fairbanks	45 37 pc	47 34 pc
Fargo	38 25 pc	33 24 sn
Honolulu	86 71 th	84 70 sh
Houston	70 67 th	83 73 th
Indianapolis	56 37 pc	61 42 pc
Jacksonville	87 71 th	86 71 th
Kansas City	48 42 mc	56 36 r
Las Vegas	85 59 pc	80 58 pc
Little Rock	64 55 pc	68 57 th
Los Angeles	63 55 mc	66 57 pc
Memphis	65 54 mc	69 58 th
Miami	90 82 pc	90 81 pc
Milwaukee	47 36 pc	52 39 r
Nashville	68 51 pc	68 61 sh
New Orleans	77 73 th	85 73 th
New York	64 44 su	58 48 pc
Oklahoma City	51 46 mc	67 48 mc
Omaha	49 36 mc	50 31 sh

**WORLD FORECAST**

City	Today	Tomorrow
Acapulco	86 77 th	86 77 sh
Athens	83 65 su	82 66 su
Auckland	60 43 pc	57 42 pc
Bangkok	86 76 th	81 75 th
Beijing	61 43 r	71 53 pc
Berlin	52 42 sh	50 36 sh
Buenos Aires	68 47 r	63 50 pc
Cairo	94 67 pc	96 67 pc
Dhahran	96 76 pc	97 78 pc
Geneva	54 40 pc	48 32 ls
Hong Kong	82 79 sh	81 79 sh
Jerusalem	94 64 pc	90 64 pc
Johannesburg	75 58 pc	72 55 sh
Kuwait City	98 75 pc	98 77 pc
London	59 43 r	60 42 pc
Mexico City	69 52 sh	68 47 sh
Moscow	43 36 pc	50 42 r
Nairobi	74 51 pc	74 55 pc
Oslo	44 33 r	43 31 pc
Paris	60 49 r	61 41 pc
Prague	55 42 r	51 38 r
Rio de Janeiro	67 65 sh	68 69 pc
Rome	76 55 sh	71 54 sh
Santiago	65 44 pc	75 47 pc
Seoul	67 45 pc	66 45 pc
Sydney	64 53 th	73 59 pc
Tel Aviv	81 78 pc	80 77 pc
Tokyo	67 51 pc	64 52 pc
Vienna	60 47 pc	53 41 sh
Warsaw	49 44 r	49 40 sh
Winnipeg	38 25 pc	38 27 ls
Zurich	52 36 pc	45 26 ls

**TODAY'S NATIONAL MAP**



**GREGG MIDDLEKAUFF'S QUOTE OF THE DAY**  
 "If you want to know your past - look into your present conditions. If you want to know your future - look into your present actions."  
 Chinese Proverb

**CANADIAN FORECAST**

City	Today	Tomorrow
Calgary	23 6 pc	24 15 pc
Crantbrook	23 6 pc	-2 26
Edmonton	29 16 pc	28 23 pc
Kelowna	36 15 pc	34 15 pc
Lethbridge	25 10 pc	28 18 pc
Regina	32 24 pc	34 24 pc
Saskatoon	31 21 pc	32 24 pc
Toronto	46 31 pc	46 41 pc
Vancouver	49 32 pc	47 34 pc
Victoria	47 35 pc	48 39 pc
Winnipeg	38 29 pc	38 27 ls

# U.S. troops help Philippines as storm toll rises

By Oliver Teves  
 Associated Press writer



A member of the Philippine Air Force carries a young boy to a rescue helicopter as flood water rises in Pangasinan province, Philippines. Rescuers struggled through mud to clear mountain roads after dozens of landslides buried villages and cut-off towns in the rain-soaked northern Philippines.

MANILA, Philippines — The U.S. military trucked in supplies and marshaled helicopters and Navy ships as the Philippines struggled with the aftermath of back-to-back storms that have left more than 600 dead.

After pulling six people from landslides late Thursday and early Friday, Filipino rescuers said they remained hopeful of locating more survivors in the stricken north of the country, but retrieved only bodies on Saturday.

With roads blocked and bridges washed away, the Philippine government's resources have been stretched thin. Officials have asked U.S. troops in the country for an annual military exercise to extend relief operations.

Troops from the 31st Marine Expeditionary Unit, based in Okinawa, Japan, had just finished rescue and cleanup work around the Manila, which experienced the worst flooding in over four decades after Tropical Storm Ketsana dumped record rains Sept. 26.

That disaster displaced about 1 million people and killed 337 in the capital and surrounding provinces. More than 287,000 remain in evacuation centers.

Then Typhoon Parma struck Oct. 3 and has lingered as a tropical depression for about a week, also over the main northern

Philippine island of Luzon. It has dumped more heavy rains, triggering floods and landslides that have killed at least 276 people, most of them in the last two days. It has displaced about 170,000 people.

Regional civil defense official Olive Lucas said 152 bodies have so far been recovered in Benguet province — 125 miles (200 kilometers) north of Manila — 23 in Mountain Province, and 50 in Baguio city.

Some 51 deaths have been recorded earlier in eight other provinces.

Marine Capt. Jorge

Escatell, a U.S. military spokesman, said troops have trucked tons of U.N. food aid from Manila to a Philippine military camp in northern Tarlac province for distribution by the Americans on Sunday to victims of Typhoon Parma.

Marine CH-46 helicopters have also flown over the flooded region to assess the damage and find locations for a medical mission and food distribution. Heavy equipment also will be brought in to help clear roads littered with debris, Escatell said.

Also, about 200 U.S.

Marines and sailors are on standby to help in the relief mission. They are aboard two Navy ships, USS Harpers Ferry and the USS Tortuga, off Pangasinan province, and in a Philippine military camp just south of the Cordillera mountains on Luzon.

Escatell said the U.S. troops were weary but still enthusiastic for their humanitarian mission.

"This is what we trained for," he said.

"We are tired ... but it's well worth it, especially when you see the smile on the children's faces when we come to people that

need medical attention or just need some kind of support."

Rescuers are still searching landslides for survivors. Among the six pulled out alive on Thursday and Friday was a 17-year-old boy who was buried in his home in Baguio city. Five others were found in Mountain Province, Lucas said.

More bodies were pulled from under tons of mud and rocks Saturday, but no survivors, she said.

Benguet Gov. Nestor Fongwan told ABS-CBN television his province needed more embalmers and caskets for the large number of dead.

Mayor Artemio Galwan of La Trinidad township in Benguet province said at least 78 bodies have been recovered there. He appealed for shovels and other tools as well as portable spotlights to

allow volunteers to continue digging at night.

Lucas said, "We are hopeful that we will get more people alive."

With large expanses of land still under water, officials say the natural disaster will have a major impact on farm production.

Galwan said the rains and landslides devastated crops in his area, regarded as the country's "salad bowl" for its vegetable farms and strawberry fields.

Rains have subsided in most areas and water was receding Saturday from low-lying provinces south of the Cordillera region, but much of the rice-growing province of Pangasinan, northwest of Manila, was still submerged. In the provincial capital of Dagupan, flood water was about waist-deep.

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# UN RECOVERS BODIES OF 11 VICTIMS IN HAITI PLANE CRASH

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Opinion

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## EDITORIAL

### Nothing wrong with Otter's deliberate approach to state budget-cutting

Since Gov. C.L. "Butch" Otter announced two weeks ago that he's deferring a decision about \$52 million in budget holdbacks, he's been editorially criticized by most newspapers in this state for dithering.

Not this one. We admire his flexibility.

On Sept. 25, the governor ordered targeted spending reductions at state agencies and proposed dipping into the state's rainy-day funds for \$49 million to forestall mid-year cuts in the public schools.

But the recession-caused budget shortfall the state must erase totals \$151 million, so Otter has some more trimming to do.

"We must explore significant restructuring and find further budget savings," the governor said. "That's why I'm launching a public dialogue with Idaho taxpayers, lawmakers, agency officials, state employees and other stakeholders on how best to achieve meaningful reorganization of state government."

"If we can't, then there will be a discussion with the Legislature on how we can ease the pain with those rainy-day funds," he said.

At the moment, Idaho has about \$274 million in reserves on hand, plus another \$50 million in unspent federal stimulus money for use in next year's budget.

Otter is playing for time with this strategy, and that's appropriate. He understands the financial picture can change — for better or worse — before the Legislature convenes on Jan. 11.

He further recognizes that all easy cuts have already been made. The next round — represented by that \$52 million in savings the state must still find — will fundamentally affect the day-to-day operations of education, corrections and Health and Welfare. The governor wants to get that decision right.

Otter also knows that slashing education budgets in the middle of a school year is difficult since so much state money goes into teacher and administrator contracts that were signed months ago — and which school districts can't break.

And he's sensitive to the demands of many conservative lawmakers — including some on the budget-writing Joint Finance-Appropriations Committee — that it's time to take a hard look at restructuring state government.

There's time before January to consider some alternatives that haven't yet been on the table, such as funneling more state prison inmates to diversion programs.

Had the governor taken an ax to that \$52 million two weeks ago, budget cuts in state agencies would have been far deeper, more damaging and much harder to reverse when things improve.

Holdbacks amount to managing state government on the fly, and that's almost always a worst alternative than Idaho's deliberative budgetary process involving the Legislature, state agencies, the governor and taxpayers.

Essentially, Otter did what he was constitutionally required to do — keep the state budget in balance — while giving himself and lawmakers time to make better decisions about the state's future.

Smart move.

**Our view:** Mid-year budget cuts are a lousy way to run state government, but required by Idaho's Constitution. Gov. C.L. "Butch" Otter's decision to take his time and make informed decisions about what else to cut was the right call.

**What do you think?** We welcome viewpoints from our readers on this and other issues.



## THE LAST BIG HIGHER-ED CRISIS

### When a popular governor killed Albion's teachers college

By Steve Crump

There are seismic changes brewing at Idaho's colleges and universities, with state funding falling, tuition and student fees rising, and everyone — from the Legislature to the State Board of Education to students and the institutions themselves — realizing that the way Idaho conducts higher education is likely to be transformed in the years ahead.

Its like hasn't been seen since 1951, when a freshman Republican governor took the extraordinary step of closing two or the state's four degree-granting institutions — including the Southern Idaho College of Education in Albion.

That sort of thing doesn't happen often. Since the Great Depression, there have been only a handful of public colleges shuttered nationwide.

And unlike the current shakeout on Idaho college campuses, it didn't happen during a period of economic crisis. The state was relatively prosperous when Len B. Jordan of Grangeville, a former legislator and one-time sheep rancher, became Idaho's 23rd governor.

"The 1950 election was

very attitudinal, a bit like 1994," said Randy Stapilus, an Oregon-based journalist and historian who has written extensively about Idaho. "There was a built-in desire to make a big change. In Idaho, this was the election when (conservative Republican) Herman Welker replaced (liberal Democrat) Glen Taylor. And (C.A.) Robins (Jordan's GOP predecessor) was considered kind of a Republican — overall, Democrats liked him about as well as Republicans did. Jordan won the nomination with the conservative base, and at that time his background was as a one-term state representative from remote Hells Canyon country, out to make big changes."

#### The budget hawk

Jordan's watchword was "retrenchment," and he meant business. In his first State of the State address, the governor proposed cutting spending by one-fourth. Then, as now, that meant education would take a big hit.

"Always uneasy about the

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#### ABOUT LEN JORDAN

Len Jordan, a Republican, was governor of Idaho from 1951-53, and represented the state in the U.S. Senate from 1962-73. Born in Mount Pleasant, Utah, in 1899 and raised in Enterprise, Ore., Jordan enlisted in the Army in 1917, was commissioned as an officer, and served during World War I. After the war, he attended the University of Oregon, graduating in 1923.



Idaho State Historical Museum.

After college, Jordan began running sheep in the Hells Canyon area along the Oregon-Idaho border. He settled in Grangeville in 1941, where he established a farm implement business, a real estate agency and an automobile dealership.

Elected to the Idaho House of Representatives from Idaho County in 1946, he was defeated for reelection in 1948. Jordan ran for governor in 1951 and beat Democrat Calvin Wright. Barred by state law from seeking a second term, Jordan was appointed by President Eisenhower in 1955 as chairman of the United States section of the International Joint Commission with Canada to develop the St. Lawrence Seaway.

In July 1962 he was appointed to the U.S. Senate by Gov. Robert Smylie to fill a vacancy caused by the death of Henry Dworshak. Later that year, he defeated Democratic Congresswoman Gracie Pfost in a special election to complete the term. Jordan was reelected to a full six-year term in 1966, beating former Democratic Congressman Ralph Harding. In the Senate, he helped establish the Sawtooth National Recreation Area.

Jordan did not seek re-election in 1972. He settled in Boise until his death in 1983.

— Source: Biographical Directory of the United States Congress

## Take the pledge to shop locally for Christmas

We take the pledge to shop local this holiday season.

"Shopping local" is by no means a new mantra. It's certainly been around much longer than Black Friday, Cyber Monday or — before that, the opening of the first regional shopping mall. In fact, it's likely been around since right after the time when shopping local was all there was.

As publisher and advertising director at the *Times-News*, it is common sense that we would be the first in line to publicly "take the pledge" this holiday season. After all, local advertisers from Twin Falls, Burley and other communities in the Magic Valley and Mini-Cassia regions are the very people that keep us, our sales staff, our press operators and our reporters employed. In taking the pledge to shop local we're doing nothing more than reciprocating your investment in advertising locally



Brad Hurd



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with the *Times-News*. You do business with us; we'll do business with you. Seems so logical, not only for us but for all area businesspeople who draw the majority of their customers from the Twin Falls area. And so it is.

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Now that we've taken the pledge, we ask you to do the same. We're sure that many of you are already committed to shopping locally — that it's already your instinctive response. But we ask the rest of you to join us in both taking — and fulfilling — a pledge to shop local this holiday season. Our merchants will benefit in the short run; we'll all benefit in the end.

Brad Hurd is the publisher of the *Times-News*. John Pfeifer is the *Times-News* advertising director.

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## ALBION TIMELINE

**1893** — Legislature creates Albion State Normal School; five acres are deeded to the state by Josiah Miller as initial property for the campus; first buildings constructed using volunteer labor.

**1894** — College opens with a student body of 26; Frank Swanger named the school's president.

**1896** — Swanger Hall, the school's administration building, completed.

**1897** — J.C. Black succeeds Swanger as president.

**1901** — Miller Hall, a dormitory for men, completed.

**1902** — Horace Ellis succeeds Black as president.

**1904** — George Axline succeeds Ellis as president.

**1905** — Hansen Hall, living quarters for female faculty, completed.

**1907** — Training School completed.

**1911** — Idaho Senate Education Committee presents report to abolish the school.

**1914** — Axline Gymnasium completed.

**1917** — Failed attempt in Idaho Senate to move Albion operation to Pocatello.

**1919** — Commissioner of education urges Gov. D.W. Davis to relocate Albion school; Comish Hall, a dormitory for female students, completed.

**1920** — Clarence Bocoock succeeds Axline as president.

**1926** — Comish Hall expanded.

**1927** — Enlarged administration/library building constructed.

**1929** — McMurray Hall, a dormitory for men, completed.

**1930** — President's Home constructed.

**1933** — Raymond Snyder succeeds Bocoock as president.

**1938** — Miller Hall remodeled.

**1939** — Student enrollment peaks.

**1941** — Hansen Hall remodeled.

**1946** — George Peabody College for Teachers releases its report to the state Education Survey Commission, urging the closure of the school.

**1947** — Swanger Hall burns to the ground in early morning fire; temporary buildings shipped from former prisoner of war camp near Rupert.

**1947** — Name of Albion State Normal School changed to Southern Idaho College of Education.

**1951** — Last commencement of SICE held; educational program responsibilities transferred to Idaho State College.

**1958** — Campus re-opens as Magic Valley Christian College, a private liberal arts college.

**1969** — Magic Valley Christian College closes.

— Source: Albionvalley.com

# Albion

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the state of Idaho going into the banking and annuity insurance business, Jordan not only urged a full reconsideration of the teachers retirement fund adopted in 1945, but he also sought to slash over \$3 million from the state's contribution to the retirement fund," wrote Howard Berger, College of Idaho history professor, in a profile of Jordan in "Idaho Governors," a 1992 collection of essays.

The governor sought to cut a similar amount from the school equalization fund, and wanted school districts to pick the cost of transporting students.

Then he suggested closing Albion and the North Idaho College of Education in Lewiston.

"Many, many Idahoans — in and out of government — were very surprised when he made the decision to close the schools," Berger said in an interview last week. "Jordan never mentioned it in his campaigns at all so his rationale, at the time as well as now, is not all that clear. Cost-cutting? Perhaps, but they were so small. Gov. (Robert) Smylie (the attorney general at the time and Jordan's successor as governor) told me that he believed — but was never sure — that Jordan had 'in his head' some larger reform of higher education in Idaho that never materialized. Perhaps. Smylie also believed that the closures may have been a result of competition with other schools which had greater clout."

To be sure, Albion was already living on borrowed time. In 1946, the state commissioned the George Peabody College for Teachers of Nashville, Tenn., to survey the condition of the education system in Idaho and to make recommendations for improvements. The Peabody report recommended that Albion be closed, unless the school could greatly increase its enrollment within five years.

It didn't — at least not enough to save the college.

"There was significant opposition to the closures, but Jordan had the clout behind closed doors," Berger said. "He was a very popular governor and the respect and charisma that he had meant a great deal during his time in office."

"When I talked years ago

with Bob Smylie about some of this, he said most of the state officials — the more experienced types, himself included — felt that economic and revenue conditions were not such that major shutdowns had to be made, that they were unnecessary, but that Jordan was determined," Stapilus said. "Again, I think the political atmosphere after the 1950 election was what allowed for the shutdown, and in most times — but with comparable economic conditions — it wouldn't have happened."

## A compliant Legislature

Within the Magic Valley, there was widespread resignation about the fate of Albion; in fact, the *Times-News* endorsed the closure. The one south-central Idaho legislator who may have been in a position to block Jordan's action — Speaker of the Idaho House of Representatives John Hohnhorst, a Jerome County farmer — had retired after the 1949 session.

Not that Hohnhorst might have tried. The Republican-controlled Legislature was considerably more deferential 60 years ago as far as GOP governors were concerned.

Outside Cassia and Nez Perce counties, the bulk of the opposition to the Albion and Lewiston closures came from the State Board of Education.

"The revolt by educators and their political allies in the Legislature temporarily prompted some bipartisan criticism to what was perceived as Gov. Jordan's policy of retrenchment at the expense of public education," Berger said. "Jordan, who during the Great Depression had seen his own children educated at home by his wife, ... saw the issue as one of economic waste."

Nonetheless, Jordan was sufficiently unnerved that he called a special session of the Legislature in February 1951 and asked lawmakers to appropriate \$1 million more for teacher salaries.

And other than the Albion and Lewiston closures, the governor didn't get his way on education. The Legislature refused to drastically reduce the state's contribution to the teachers retirement fund and, over

Jordan's objection, continued funneling money to school districts to pay for transportation.

In 1953, Jordan suggested that the Legislature consider opening some junior colleges (lawmakers met only ever two years back then.)

"That did not mean he wished to reopen debate on those still-open wounds, NICE and SICE," Berger said. "On that matter the governor flatly stated, 'Two years ago I told the members of the 31st legislative session the state of Idaho was neither populous enough nor wealthy enough to support four degree-granting institutions of higher education. I still believe that position is sound!'"

## A delayed revolt

The state ed board and University of Idaho President Jess Buchanan launched a full-scale campaign later that year to reopen Albion and Lewiston, and the Senate decided to investigate the decision to close the campuses. Senate State Affairs Committee Democrats, in a minority report, said the closures were "a blemish upon Idaho's political history" based almost entirely on an "error in estimated revenue." Nonetheless, on Feb. 20, a bill to reactivate NICE and SICE was defeated in the GOP-controlled House.

A week earlier, the Senate had rejected a constitutional amendment to permit governors to succeed themselves. Len Jordan was effectively a lame duck.

After Smylie — skeptical of Jordan's decision to close the teachers colleges — became governor in 1955, he wasted little time cutting a deal with north Idaho Democrats to reopen the Lewiston campus as Lewis-Clark State College in exchange for their support in

allowing governors to succeed themselves. Idaho voters approved the change in 1956.

But reopening Albion was never a serious part of the discussion in 1955.

"I've heard various stories about the big deal, which also was said to have involved development of the port of Lewiston," Stapilus said. "But the stories do differ, defending on who's doing the telling."

It's unlikely that the College of Southern Idaho

would have materialized in 1965 had Albion still been in business as a state school (Magic Valley Christian College operated on the Albion campus from 1957 to 1969). But lots of folks, including the 6,000 teachers Albion trained, thought — and many still believe today — that there was still some life left in the Southern Idaho College of Education in 1951.

Steve Crump is the *Times-News* Opinion editor.

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## LETTER TO THE EDITOR

### Budginas gave Burley a beautiful concert

Classical pianist Rudolf Budginas opened the season for Mini-Cassia Community Concerts on Oct. 1 at the King Fine Arts Center in Burley.

An accomplished soloist, Budginas' program featured works by Bach, Beethoven, Chopin, Liszt and Gershwin. Wanting to make classical music more accessible and having a talent for arranging, he inserted his arrangements into several classical pieces to the delight and surprise of the audience. Beethoven's Symphony No. 5 began with powerful playing but soon the strains of "I Did It My Way" were

inserted before he smoothly finished in the classical style.

After intermission, Budginas continued with variations on classical pieces, using rhythms of Brazil and Argentina. He finished his tour de force with Gershwin's "Rhapsody in Blue" with his body language adding to his performance, crouching over the keyboard, where earlier he had played the classical pieces in an erect concert position.

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# Newspapers are in neither party's hip pocket

There's good news for journalism in a recent national survey that shows "the public's assessment of the accuracy of news stories is now at its lowest level in more than two decades (while) "views of media bias and independence now match previous lows."

At this point you're saying to yourself "Jim, you shouldn't drink that stuff first thing in the morning. What's so good about that?"

But I'm sober as a judge – even more so than most of the ones I know. Bear with me for a minute.

In a nutshell, this is what the Pew Research Center for the People & the Press found in its biennial media attitudes survey, conducted July 22-26 among 1,506 randomly selected adults.

Just 29 percent of Americans say news organizations generally get the facts straight, while 63 percent say news stories are often inaccurate. That's down from 55 percent saying articles are generally accurate in 1985, the year Pew started asking.

Similarly, only about 26 percent say that news organizations are careful that their reporting are not politically biased, compared with 60 percent who say they are biased.

So where's the silver lining in that?

Republicans are the most critical of the news media in all respects, but Democrats have also become highly critical.

Pew reports that "Democratic criticism of



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the news media has grown by double-digits since 2007. Today, most Democrats (59 percent) say that the reports of news organizations are often inaccurate; just 43 percent said this two years ago. Democrats are also now more likely than they were in 2007 to identify favoritism in the media: Two-thirds (67 percent) say the press tends to favor one side rather than to treat all sides fairly, up from 54 percent."

At first blush that looks like bad news for the media – everyone hates us – but it also shows that the old charge that the media is solidly in the left pocket of American politics is fading. If you think this is not the case, just ask any Democrat. You may have to drive to Blaine County. Look in coffee shops. You'll find some.

I'd be happy if everyone gave the media equal measures of love and respect, but I'll settle for having neither party think of us as anyone's cheap date. That's especially important during a time of deep partisan division when neither side appears willing to accept news that runs counter to its preconceived political bent.

And that is exactly what's happening: If you agree with the newspaper's editorials or the cable station's commentators, you tend to put more faith in the bal-

ance and accuracy of its separate newsgathering arm.

Pew found that perceptions of bias on both the right and the left vary greatly by media organization. Democrats tend to have positive views of CNN, MSNBC and *The New York Times* while Republicans swear by Fox News and *The Wall Street Journal*. For example, "partisan differences in views of Fox News have increased substantially since 2007. Today, a large majority of Republicans view Fox News positively (72 percent), compared with just 43 percent of Democrats. In 2007, 73 percent of Republicans and 61 percent of Democrats viewed Fox News favorably."

So how much you trust the accuracy and balance of any large news organization depends on how you defined the truth before you ever received the news.

Pew didn't ask anyone about our humble daily offering, but it did try to find out if distrust extends

beyond the big national operations. They found that while not everyone is happy with their local media, we're doing far better:

"While the public has become much more critical of the way news organizations do their jobs, most Americans continue to give favorable ratings to traditional news sources – local TV news, daily newspapers and network television news. Favorable opinions of all three have declined since 1985; nonetheless, majorities continue to express favorable opinions of local TV news (73 percent), the daily newspaper they are most familiar with (65 percent), and network TV news (64 percent)."

There isn't much media polling in south-central Idaho, so the only comparable data we have for the *Times-News* and *Magicvalley.com* comes from an April 2008 random telephone and written survey with 605 residents of the region that we commissioned.

That survey showed that about two-thirds of all adults in the region read the paper or the Web site on a regular basis and that 79 percent rated our news offerings as "believable"

while 78 percent rated us "accurate."

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## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### Publishing hateful letters is harmful

I would be interested to know your thoughts on Thomas Friedman's column in the *Times-News* on Monday, Oct. 5.

While reading his clear, intelligent and thoughtful words on the climate of hate that surrounds this country, I am in agreement with his assessment of the virulent speeches made by supposedly responsible members of Congress and the Senate. I believe that even in our free-speech country, printing letters that reflect, not thoughtful disagreement with policy but outright hate which has the ability to incite the thoughtless and could be dangerous to our president. This is a judgment which is the responsibility of the editor to make.

Sorry, I'm getting a little too wordy here but you get my point. Thank you for your attention.

**FRANCES BEST**  
Twin Falls

### Paper right to publish so many viewpoints

The *Times-News* is to be commended for publishing a wide range of letters to the editor, even the spurious drivel of Mr. Vaughn Phelps in the Oct. 1 edition comparing efforts at health care improvement to the Holocaust tragedy.

By contrast, he makes Ms. Malkin's columns seem almost rational.

**MIKE LEEDS**  
Buhl

those of the Magic Valley is a disservice to us here in Twin Falls. It's as if you want to have inspections! You don't address the issues of the makeup of the valley in Boise and the wind we constantly have here in the Magic Valley that doesn't allow what smog we may have to linger. You quote percentages of motorists and bicycles to Burley but not Twin Falls to Boise. I wonder if Twin Falls would even qualify for federal funding for inspections for the lack of smog here. After all, if Canyon County were not to lose or receive federal dollars over the inspections I'll bet it wouldn't be an issue. We're always reading how we must lure business, lure more people, grow our economy! At the same time place new schools and businesses on major arteries then complain about the speed limits, the traffic and safety. We create our own problems because of a lack of foresight and planning and then state we have to raise taxes again or create another bond issue to pay for the corrections of our mistakes. We read how home prices, gas prices, transportation and energy costs have to compare to the surrounding communities and states to be competitive, yet when it comes to employee wages this right to work state does nothing. Zero. Nada. Now it's smog! What will it be next? Stop fear-mongering.

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President Obama shakes hands with doctors after making remarks on health care reform Monday in the Rose Garden of the White House in Washington.

# Wait for benefits is three years if health care passes

By Rricardo Alonso-Zaldivar  
Associated Press writer

WASHINGTON — Sixty years is how long Democrats say they've been pushing for legislation that provides health care access for all Americans. They'll have to wait another three if President Obama gets a bill to sign this year.

Under the Democratic bills, federal tax credits to help make health insurance affordable for millions of low- and middle-income households won't start flowing until 2013 — after the next presidential election. But Medicare cuts and a sizable chunk of the tax increases to pay for the overhaul kick in immediately.

The eat-your-vegetables-first approach is causing heartburn for some Democrats. Three years is a long time to wait for dessert, and opponents could capitalize on misgivings about the complex legislation to undo what would be a signature achievement for Obama.

"The real danger is that health reform could be vulnerable to what we see with the stimulus package," said Democratic health policy consultant Peter Harbage, referring to criticism that Obama's \$787 billion economic plan hasn't stemmed rising unemployment. "There needs to be more focus on what can you do quickly so that real people will start seeing change sooner, rather than later."

Said Judy Feder, a senior health official in President Bill Clinton's administration: "Just as we are fending off ideological attacks to get

the bill passed, we will be fending them off as we implement the law?"

Obama administration officials and Democratic lawmakers say the reason for the three-year wait is the time it's going to take to set up insurance marketplaces, write consumer protection rules and reconfigure the bureaucracy to carry out the legislation. It took President George W. Bush's administration two years to phase in the Medicare prescription benefit, a more modest undertaking.

"It's very important to get the execution right," White House budget director Peter Orszag told The Associated Press in a recent interview.

There's another reason, less talked about: to make the costs of the plan seem more manageable under congressional budgeting rules.

Lawmakers use a 10-year accounting window to assess new programs. Starting the Medicare cuts and some of the taxes in the early years — and pushing the bulk of new spending into the latter years — helps keep the cost of the health care overhaul within Obama's \$900 billion limit. Bush used the same kind of maneuver to push the Medicare benefit through Congress.

"It means that the full cost of the program is underestimated in the 10-year window that you are looking at," said Gail Wilensky, who ran Medicare for former President George H.W. Bush. "It's not like we've never seen this before, but people need to understand what's going on."

Congressional Democrats are defensive about their slow-motion rollout.

Senate Finance Committee Chairman Max Baucus, D-Mont., addressed the concerns in a recent news release captioned: "What You Get Right Away?"

Among the major short-term improvements in his bill would be a benefit for people on Medicare, who already have insurance coverage.

Starting in 2010, those who fall into the Medicare prescription plan's coverage gap would get a 50 percent discount off the price of brand-name drugs.

In 2011 and 2012, certain small employers with fewer than 25 workers could get a tax credit for up to 35 percent of what they contribute toward the cost of employee coverage. That could encourage some companies that don't offer coverage to do so, but it's more likely to shore up those who already do.

To answer Obama's call for an immediate end to insurance company discrimination against the sick, Baucus would set aside \$5 billion from 2010-2013 to help states provide affordable coverage to people denied because of a medical condition.

The money would be apportioned to high-risk insurance pools that many states have set up.

It may not go far enough. State high-risk pools now spend about \$1 billion a year and cover only 200,000 people.

# Obama: Consensus and obstructionism on health care

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Obama sees both "unprecedented consensus" from outside Congress on his drive to remake the nation's health care system and obstructionism by some on Capitol Hill.

"The historic movement to bring real, meaningful health insurance reform to the American people gathered momentum this week as we approach the final days of this debate," Obama said Saturday in his weekly radio and Internet video address.

The consensus "includes everyone from doctors and nurses to hospitals and drug manufacturers" — even Republican governors and former GOP lawmakers, Obama said.

It does not extend to congressional Republicans, however, as nearly all of them oppose the Democrats' health care proposals.

The president noted that California Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger, former Senate Majority Leaders Bob Dole and Bill Frist, all Republicans, and former Health and Human Service chiefs Louis Sullivan and Tommy

Thompson, who both served in Republican administrations, have all come out in favor of overhauling health care, even though they differ on some specifics.

Dole said in an interview on the Fox News Channel

late in the week that he has not endorsed any plan but is recommending that congressional Republicans "stay in the game" so they can have more impact on the final legislation through compromise and amendments.

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# Seeing Capitol Hill's past through childhood lenses

By Michael E. Ruane  
The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — For two years, Mary Z. Gray sat at her typewriter by the big window in her cluttered den, a servant to ghosts of her past: lamplighters and icemen, newsboys and fruit vendors, ragmen and undertakers. All denizens of old Capitol Hill, clamoring for a place in her manuscript.

Now, at 90, she is finished with them, or mostly so. They reside on 228 pages in a plain maroon binder that sits, untitled, on the dining room table — content, so to speak, with release from her memory.

They populate a work that is part memoir, part reverie about places, past and present. It is also a vivid sketch, through the eyes of her childhood, of life on Capitol Hill in the 1920s and '30s.

It was then a marvelous, quirky neighborhood where her father's funeral home had a speaking tube at the front door where people whistled for the undertaker. It was a place where a washerwoman brought clean laundry in a baby carriage with a bent wheel. And it was a place where Gray was the nearsighted little girl with a squint whom everyone called Sissy.

Gray, a retired journalist and former White House speechwriter who left Capitol Hill a lifetime ago, said she did not choose this part of her life to write about.

"It was as if it was chosen for me," she said.

Once she started writing, the story poured out. "Every night when I went to bed, it came unbidden," she said. "And I couldn't turn it off!"

So, sitting at her manual Olivetti in the house in suburban Maryland where she has raised two children and lived for 55 years, the former freelancer for the New York Times and Washington Post began.

One of her earliest memories was of a role she had as a child growing up above the family funeral home two blocks from the Capitol.

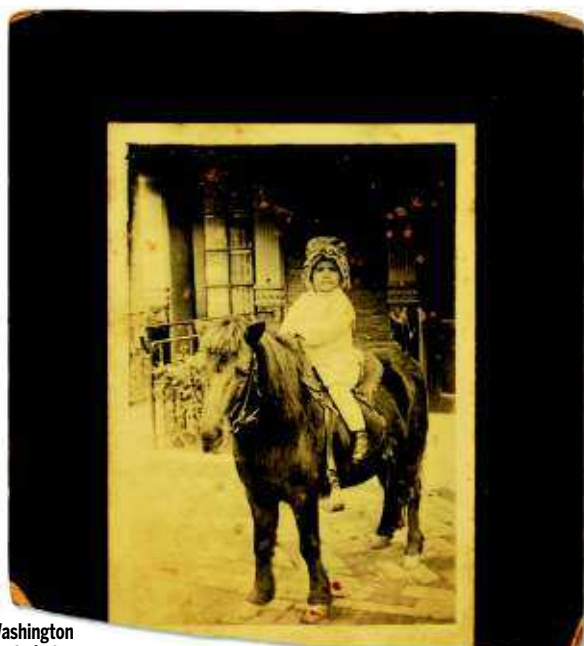
At night she would go to a window in the third-floor apartment and see whether the light was on in the columned tholos atop the Capitol dome. If it was, she'd announce to her family: "They're in session!"

Then there was the strange whistling tube for funeral customers.

"Papa would get out of bed and whistle down the tube, followed by an assurance that he was on his way," she writes. "And off he'd go, in slippers, robe and pajamas."

"We had telephones in the Twenties," she writes. "Why did someone have to come in person to request the undertaker's aid? And why this archaic instrument at the front door?"

Much of her childhood was spent at the Charles S. Zurhorst funeral home, a business founded by her great-grandfather in the



Washington Post photo  
Mary Z. Gray as a child in an undated photograph. A photographer who took pictures of children on his pony is one of the many homely characters that populate Gray's memoir of growing up on Capitol Hill.

1860s, at 301 East Capitol St. She lived with her parents and older brother over the second-floor "parlors."

Gray's story is filled with characters — her great-grandfather Augustus Wilhelm Schroeder, who was in the Marine Band and played for Abraham Lincoln; her father, Charles, a journalist who was summoned home from a Chicago newspaper to run the funeral business; and her mother, Edwinetta, who had a beautiful soprano voice but whose husband and father would not let her pursue a career onstage.

Outside, there were more characters. In summer, fruit and vegetable vendors hawked "straataawberries" and "woedamelon," she writes. The iceman came in a horse-drawn wagon and used tongs to hoist the huge blocks.

People ate scrapple and hominy with applesauce, potato cakes and venison steaks, squab (baby pigeon) on toast and frozen macaroni mint balls with hot fudge sauce, she writes.

Yet just beyond the facade lurked the issue of race in segregated Washington. The neighborhood's black residents and workers did not seem entirely real to a white child, she said.

Gray writes of her family's black washerwoman, who would bring the laundry in the broken baby carriage.

"I wonder how much she was paid to hand-wash, hang-dry and iron these mounds of linen," she writes. "And where were they going, the ragman, the ashman, the washer woman, and others without faces or names who did our dirty work and then disappeared up the alley and out of our world?"

Asked whether Capitol Hill was a better place then, she thought for a moment and said no. Despite the charm and the fascinations for a little girl, there was an overabundance of poverty, disease and racism.

"I know some people who think everything was just so much better in the old days," she said. "That's a lot of baloney!"

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An official walks toward the wreckage of a U.N. plane near Peyi Mouri, Haiti, Saturday. Eleven peacekeepers were killed Friday when the surveillance flight slammed into a mountain on Haiti.

# UN recovers bodies of 11 victims of Haiti plane crash

By Jonathan M. Katz  
Associated Press writer

FONDS-PARISIEN, Haiti — U.N. helicopters on Saturday reached the remote site of a plane crash that killed 11 peacekeepers when a surveillance flight slammed into a mountain in eastern Haiti.

All onboard died after the CASA C-212 twin engine turboprop aircraft went down Friday afternoon near the border with the Dominican Republic, about 30 miles from the Haitian capital of Port-au-Prince.

The plane came to rest on an isolated mountainside near a farming town called Peyi Mouri, meaning "dead country" in Haitian Creole.

Two U.N. helicopters were able to land near the site Saturday morning and peacekeepers began the process of bringing bodies back to Port-au-Prince, mission spokesman David

Wimhurst said.

The victims were Uruguayan and Jordanian troops serving with the 9,000-strong U.N. peacekeeping force that has been in Haiti since a 2004 rebellion ousted former President Jean-Bertrand Aristide. Six Uruguayan soldiers were killed in the crash, including the pilot and co-pilot, Uruguay's minister of defense told local media.

Wimhurst would not speculate on when results of an investigation into the cause of the crash would become available.

"The investigation will take some time. ... Any air crash requires experts to analyze it," he said.

The mountainous border area between Haiti and the Dominican Republic, where Uruguayan plane was flying, is rife with drug and human smuggling.

The U.N. peacekeeping

mission, which is expected to be renewed for a sixth year when its mandate expires Oct. 15, has been shifting its focus to the border region in recent years. The international community also has been helping the Haitian national police force to strengthen its presence here.

# Pakistan army: Commando raid frees 22 held hostage

RAWALPINDI, Pakistan (AP) — Pakistani commandos raided a building inside army headquarters early Sunday and freed 22 people held hostage for more than 18 hours by Islamist militants, a military spokesman said. Three captives and four militants were killed in the operation.

Explosions and gunshots rang out as commandos moved into a building in the complex just before dawn, while a helicopter hovered in the sky. Three ambulances were seen driving out of the heavily fortified base close to the capital, Islamabad.

Army spokesman Maj. Gen. Athar Abbas said "mopping up" operations were still under way, but it appeared the crisis was nearing its end.

Up to five heavily armed militants took the hostages after they and other assailants attacked the main gate of the army headquarters on Saturday, killing six soldiers in a

brazen attack on one of the most powerful institutions in this nuclear-armed country.

No group claimed responsibility, but authorities said they were sure that the Pakistani Taliban or an allied Islamist militant group were behind it.

The strike appeared to be a warning to the military that its planned offensive on the insurgents' stronghold of South Waziristan along the Afghan border would be

met with attacks against targets across Pakistan. Authorities said the siege had stiffened their resolve to go ahead with that operation.

"Most of the hostages are out of the building now," Abbas said.

Abbas said 20 of the hostages had been kept in a single room guarded by a militant wearing a suicide vest. He said troops shot him before he managed to detonate his explosives.

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# Japan suspends beef imports from Tyson plant in Nebraska

TOKYO (AP) — Japan suspended beef shipments from an American meat-packer Saturday over its failure to remove cattle parts banned under a bilateral agreement, as officials here raised concerns about U.S. safeguards against mad cow disease.

Japanese quarantine inspectors found bovine spinal columns in one of 732 boxes shipped from Tyson Fresh Meats Inc., which arrived in Japan in late September, the Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries said. The box contained 35 pounds of chilled short loin with spinal bones, which were not released commercially, said ministry official Goshi Nakata.

The suspension only affects Tyson's factory in Lexington, Nebraska, one of 46 meatpacking plants approved to export beef to Japan.

It was the second suspension for the Lexington factory, Nakata said. Japan slapped a four-month ban on beef shipments from the

same plant in February 2007 after finding two boxes of beef lacking verifications to show they came from cattle that met Japan's safety standards.

"It's extremely regrettable," said Agriculture Minister Hiroataka Akamatsu, who has just returned from meetings in Washington with U.S. trade and farm officials. "We need to closely examine if it was just a careless mistake or there is a systematic problem."

Japan's new ruling Democratic Party has proposed a tough response to any violation to a bilateral safety agreement, including a blanket ban on U.S. beef shipments.

The Japanese ministry has asked the U.S. Department of Agriculture to investigate how the box containing the banned parts ended up in Japan.

Japan will await results of a U.S. investigation to determine the penalty for the Tyson factory, the ministry said.

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# Turkey, Armenia sign accord ending century of enmity

By Matthew Lee  
Associated Press writer

ZURICH — Turkey and Armenia signed a landmark agreement Saturday to establish diplomatic relations and open their sealed border after a century of enmity, as U.S. Secretary of State Hillary Rodham Clinton helped the two sides clear a last-minute snag.

The contentious issue of whether the killing of up to 1.5 million Armenians during the final days of the Ottoman Empire amounted to genocide is only hinted at in the agreement.

"There were several times when I said to all of the parties involved that this is too important," Clinton said. "This has to be seen through. We have come too far. All of the work that has gone into the protocols should not be walked away from."

The Turkish and Armenian foreign ministers signed the accord in the Swiss city of Zurich after a dispute over the final statements they would make. In the end, the signing took place about three hours later than scheduled and there were no spoken statements.

Clinton and mediators from Switzerland intervened to help broker a solution, U.S. officials said on condition of anonymity, in keeping with State Department regulations. Better ties between Turkey, a regional heavyweight, and poor, landlocked Armenia have been a priority for President Barack Obama, and Clinton had flown to Switzerland to witness the signing, not help close the deal.

Clinton told reporters traveling later on the plane with her to London that both sides had problems with the other's prepared statement and that the Armenian foreign minister had to call his pres-



Armenia's Foreign Minister Edouard Nalbandian, left, and Turkey's Foreign Minister Ahmet Davutoglu shake hands after the signing of a peace accord between Turkey and Armenia, Saturday in Zurich, Switzerland.

AP photo

ident several times. She said it became important just to approve the accord and not have the sides make speeches that could be interpreted as putting legal conditions on the document. She told each country that could be done later, "but let the protocols be the statement because that was what we were there to sign."

The accord is expected to win ratification from both nations' parliaments and could lead to a reopening of their border within two months. It has been closed for 16 years.

But nationalists on both sides are still seeking to derail implementation of the deal.

U.N. Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon called the signing a "historic decision" that "constitutes a milestone toward the establishment of good neighborly relations," spokeswoman Michele Montas said in New York.

American officials said Clinton; the top U.S. diplomat for Europe, Philip Gordon; and Swiss Foreign Minister Micheline Calmy-Rey were engaged in furious high-stakes shuttle diplomacy with the Turkish and

Armenian delegations to resolve the differences.

Diplomats said the Armenians were concerned about wording in the Turkish statement that was to be made after the signing ceremony at University of Zurich and had expressed those concerns "at the last minute" before the scheduled signing ceremony.

Clinton had arrived at the ceremony venue after meeting separately with the Turks and Armenians at a hotel, but abruptly departed without leaving her car when the problem arose.

She returned to the hotel where she spoke by phone from the sedan in the parking lot, three times with the Armenians and four times with the Turks. At one point in the intervention, a Swiss police car, lights and siren blazing, brought a Turkish diplomat to the hotel from the university with a new draft of his country's statement.

After nearly two hours, Clinton and Armenian Foreign Minister Edward Nalbandian met in person at the hotel and drove back to the university where negotiations continued. It was not clear if there would be a resolution.

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## Bruins upend Tigers

Twin Falls girls squad not slowed by injuries in 7-1 victory

By Diane Philbin  
Times-News writer

Sometimes a lopsided score might reflect the effort made by the team on the losing end of the score.

Such was not the feeling of the players or coaches from Jerome after the No. 3 Tigers were beaten by the No. 2 Twin Falls Bruins 7-1 Saturday in the Great Basin Conference Tournament at Sunway Soccer Complex.

"We felt like we really did a good job," said Cynthia Sedano of Jerome. "We just needed to work a little

harder. Twin Falls is a really good team and they are faster than we are, which they use to their advantage. They also have been playing together longer than us which helps."

The Jerome coaches agreed with the junior defensive player especially after the first half whistle with the Bruins holding a 4-1 lead.

Even with a three-goal lead, Twin Falls coach Katie Kauffman wasn't overly pleased with the Bruins passing as the first period came to a close.

"Early in the half our passing was good but towards the end of the half, we started to get a little lax," said

Kauffman. "In the second half we were looking for better passing and we just kept pounding away."

The Bruins had three starters on the bench with various injuries but Kauffman was happy with the way the girls stepped in, especially the players that were playing in different positions than they normally played.

One of the players, freshman forward Jordyn Clark, spent most of the season on the junior varsity team but was one of six Twin Falls players to find the back of the net.

See **BRUINS**, Sports 2



Twin Falls girls soccer player Jennifer Jackson (10) battles for control of the ball with Jerome's Rosa Hernandez (15) Saturday at the Sunway Soccer Complex in Twin Falls.

DREW GODLESKI/For the Times-News

# Tebow-rific



AP photo

Florida quarterback Tim Tebow (15) points to the stands as cornerback Joe Haden (5), offensive lineman Mike Pouncey (55) celebrate their victory over LSU at the end their game in Baton Rouge, La., Saturday.

## Tebow, Florida leave LSU dazed 13-3

By Ralph D. Russo  
Associated Press writer

BATON ROUGE, La. — Tim Tebow arrived at raucous Death Valley ready to play. Then No. 1 Florida's defense left No. 4 LSU in a daze.

Two weeks after suffering a concussion, Tebow — with plenty of help from the Gators' swarming defense — silenced the largest crowd in the history of Tiger Stadium with a 13-3 victory Saturday night.

The day began with Tebow's status uncertain for what looked like the defending national champions' toughest regular-season test.

By the time it was over, Tebow had thrown a touchdown pass and Brandon Spikes had led a Florida defense that sacked Jordan Jefferson five times.

"I'm feeling great," Tebow said. "The doctors did a great job. I just want to thank them for the work they put in on me the last two weeks, our trainers, and then all the

fans that were praying for me."

Most of the 93,129 fans who partied all day and roared like a jet engine after kickoff were heading for the exits with 2½ minutes left, quiet and dejected.

Florida (5-0, 3-0 Southeastern Conference) has won 15 straight games, the best in the nation. LSU (5-1, 3-1) had its 32-game winning streak in Saturday night home games snapped.

Tebow completed 11 of 16 passes for 134 yards with an interception, and ran for 38

yards on 17 carries. Far from his best game, but more than good enough.

After a conservative start, he bounced off tacklers, scrambled away from pass rushers and generally looked like the guy Florida fans have grown to adore and SEC defenses have not quite figured out how to stop.

"On offense, we didn't execute the best but we played really hard," Tebow said.

When he was done beating the Tigers, several of

See **FLORIDA**, Sports 5

## Vazquez, Pulido carry Jerome to win over Riverhawks

By David Bashore  
Times-News writer

JEROME — Much has been made of the offensive firepower the Jerome boys soccer team possesses.

Turns out the Tigers have been a pretty good goalkeeper too.

Roman Vazquez made five vital saves, including saving a late penalty kick just after his team was reduced to 10 men, to ensure that Jerome escaped with a 4-2 victory over Canyon Ridge on Saturday, advancing to the Great Basin Conference semifinal.

Vazquez made a double save from point-blank range in the first half, then denied Dunia Emmanuel on the second-half penalty and again on the rebound to save the day for a beleaguered defense.

"All I was thinking was positive thoughts, and trying to keep the defense positive," said Vazquez. "On the penalty kick, I just knew I had to block it because if they scored the game was probably going to go downhill for us with just 10 men."

Gabriel Pulido hit for a hat trick for the Tigers (17-1-0), while Salvador Mercado picked up the opening goal. Pulido said that with star striker Fermin Martinez out of the lineup, it was something of a personal mission to pick up some of the slack.

"I put more of an emphasis on scoring goals today," said Pulido, normally a key assist man on many of Martinez's goals. "That's what the team needed me to do, and I

didn't want to let them down."

Emmanuel and Ricardo Lopez scored for the Riverhawks (5-10-4) and assisted on each other's goals. But Canyon Ridge left feeling disappointed at the loss, ruing a failure to convert more chances into goals.

Riverhawks coach Brian Gillenwater felt the team was somewhat unlucky not to at least force extra time, if not win in regulation, due to Vazquez's heroics and his own team's inability to stick more balls in the back of the net.

"He played large, and that's what big players do in big games. He was fantastic today," Gillenwater said of Vazquez. "Our guys are down, but hopefully there are some teachable moments from the game and we'll learn from it. If they understood how good a team they are ... they say the game's 90 percent mental, and that part's tough to crack sometimes. But the boys will bounce back and we'll be ready for Monday."

Canyon Ridge will host Twin Falls on Monday at Sunway Soccer Complex, while Jerome entertains Burley on Monday afternoon for a state tournament berth and a trip to the GBC championship round.

**Notes:** Martinez will not play for the Tigers again after picking up a season-ending suspension for playing in an unsanctioned tournament during the high-school. He was also suspended last season for

See **JEROME**, Sports 2

# Idaho Vandals leave it late, rally for fifth win

U of I remains atop WAC standings

For the Times-News

SAN JOSE, Calif. — Idaho coach Robb Akey talks to the Vandals about streaks.

Saturday night, they were able to stretch the ones they've start and remain atop the Western Athletic Conference standings after a thrilling 29-25 decision over San Jose State before a homecoming crowd at Spart Stadium.

The common postgame theme? Great.

"It was a great game," said running back DeMaundry Woolridge, who scored the winning touchdown on

what is becoming a trademark bullish run with 1:10 to play.

"A great win, in my opinion," said Akey, whose team stretched its win streak to four, its conference win streak to two and, for the first time since 1999, won back-to-back on the road.

"It's great," said linebacker JoJo Dickson, whose late first-half interception set the stage for freshman kick Trey Farquhar to boot a 52-yard field goal and give the Vandals an emotional boost headed into the lockerroom.

The Vandals (5-1 overall, 2-0 WAC) appeared to be



taking control after scoring three successive times to go up 22-14. But San Jose State (1-4, 0-1) scored on the first play of the fourth quarter to tie the game and then tacked on a field goal after nabbing one of three Nathan Enderle interceptions to go ahead 25-22 with 10:46 to go.

Idaho's next drive ended on an interception but the Vandal defense held and SJSU gave up the ball on downs with 5:58 to play. That set up Idaho's final march — this one with Brian Reader under center. He mostly handed the ball to Princeton McCarty, who netted 125

yards, and Woolridge, who wound up with 93, but he mixed in an 11-yard pass to Eric Greenwood in directing the scoring drive.

Kenny Patten put the finishing touch on with an interception with 28 seconds left to end San Jose State's chances.

"Winning is addicting," Woolridge said. "We never quit. It was tough but we said this game's not over."

While the Vandals covered 501 yards, they were more turnover prone than that have been all season with one lost fumble and three interceptions.

Nevertheless, "our players have confidence in their ability to get the job done," Akey said.

The Vandals struggled early on both sides of the ball.

After being thwarted on their first possession, San Jose State marched down to score and take a 7-0 lead the first time it had the ball.

Idaho responded with a more productive drive but still settled for a 23-yard Trey Farquhar field goal to close to 7-3 with 3:05 left in the first.

After forcing another San Jose State punt, the Vandals went 73 yards in seven plays before Woolridge pushed through from the one. Big plays on the drive were catches by Maurice Shaw and Greenwood with Greenwood's a 19-yard pick-up to put Woolridge in posi-

tion to score from the one with 1:41 left in the second quarter. Farquhar's kick, however, was blocked and the Vandals led 9-7.

The Idaho defense held again and forced another punt and the offense was on the move this time with McCarty carrying the ball and Max Komar and Daniel Hardy coming up with the receptions.

Trouble struck on first-and-goal from the 5 when it was ruled Hardy fumbled and the Spartans recovered in the end zone for a touch-back. This time SJSU made the most of the opportunity with an 80-yard march to score on Jordan La Secla's seven-yard run.

# Twin Falls boys win Conley Invitational title

## Four Bruin runners finish among top 10

Times-News

Behind a four-strong effort from Erik Harris, Alex Schenk, Karl Lundgren and Tyson Warth, the Twin Falls boys cross country team claimed victory at the Bob Conley Invitational on Saturday in Pocatello.

Harris finished in second place, 11 ticks ahead of Schenk in third place, while Lundgren was seventh and Warth ninth. The team score of 63 was enough for the Bruins, ranked No. 1 as a team by IdahoXC.com, to take an eight-point win over Hillcrest.

On the girls' side the Bruins finished second, with Jerome third. Amanda Ward of Twin Falls finished second overall, while three Jerome girls cracked the top 15: Mikesell Clegg in eighth, Mackenzie Chojnacky in 12th and Jasmine Nesbitt in 13th.

### Bob Conley Invitational At Pocatello Saturday's results Boys

**Team scores:** 1. Twin Falls 63, 2. Hillcrest 71, 3. Highland 88, 4. Madison 99, 5. Jerome 150, 6. Sugar-Salem 187, 7. Idaho Falls 190, 8. Star Valley, Wyo., 214, 9. Teton 224, 10. Soda Springs 227, 11. Century 260, 12. Skyline 291, 13. Rock Springs, Wyo., 343, 14. Burley 379, 15. Salmon 389.

**Individual Top 15**  
1. Farnsworth, Highland, 16 minutes, 25.66 seconds; 2. Harris, Twin Falls, 16:42.26; 3. Schenk, Twin Falls, 16:53.13; 4. Hall, Highland, 16:56.80; 5. Crofts, Hillcrest, 16:57.10; 6. Escobedo, Jerome, 17:00.00; 7. Lundgren, Twin Falls, 17:07.49; 8. Stutz, Madison, 17:14.10; 9. Warth, Twin Falls, 17:25.56; 10. Whitworth, Hillcrest, 17:27.69; 11. Galbraith, Sugar-

Salem, 17:32.51; 12. Garner, Sugar-Salem, 17:35.93; 13. Lammers, Century, 17:36.54; 14. Mickelsen, Madison, 17:37.35; 15. Anderson, Madison, 17:39.09.

**Girls**  
**Team scores:** 1. Star Valley, Wyo., 71, 2. Twin Falls 105, 3. Jerome 122, 4. Hillcrest 128, 5. Highland 131, 6. Soda Springs 136, 7. Rock Springs, Wyo., 156, 8. Jackson, Wyo., 228, 9. Idaho Falls 229, 10. Madison, 234, 11. Teton 261, 12. Skyline 276, 13. Century 278, 14. Burley 392.

**Individual Top 15**  
1. Peterson, Rock Springs, 19 minutes, 11.94 seconds; 2. Ward, Twin Falls, 19:18.66; 3. McInturff, Century, 19:32.97; 4. Hutchison, Highland, 19:35.25; 5. Keller, Salmon, 19:48.72; 6. Ricks, Star Valley, 19:49.93; 7. Nethercott, Star Valley, 20:05.06; 8. Clegg, Jerome, 20:12.50; 9. Carpenter, Idaho Falls, 20:16.84; 10. Meyer, Highland, 20:20.28; 11. Siepert, Soda Springs, 20:22.84; 12. Chojnacky, Jerome, 20:25.53; 13. Nesbitt, Jerome, 20:29.12; 14. Clark, Soda Springs, 20:29.59; 15. Nethercott, Star Valley, 20:30.31.

## Boys soccer

### GOODING 4, FILER 0

Andres Valdez scored twice to help Gooding eliminate Filer 4-0 on Saturday, advancing the second-seeded Senators into the double-elimination portion of the High Desert Soccer Conference.

"It was a very good game. I'm surprised that they were in seventh place, they're a good team," Gooding coach Roger Johnson said of Filer. "My kids just came through."

Danny Lopez and Ton Anantanasuwong also scored for Gooding (11-1-1), which hosts third-seeded Wendell on Monday.

Filer ends its season at 1-16-2.

### COMMUNITY SCHOOL 1, BUHL 0

Will Brokaw scored in the 64th minute to lift the Community School to a 1-0 win over Buhl in Ketchum on Saturday.

"The boys stepped up and played well," said Community School coach Richard Whitelaw. "We created more chances, and

after a tough season at least getting a win in the first round was exciting."

Whitelaw said defender Zach Lindahl was the team's man of the match.

Buhl ends its season at 2-10-2. The Cutthroats (5-7-4) will face top-seeded Bliss in the next round on Monday.

"You can always upset someone. We just wanted to keep playing, and we'll do our best and see what happens," Whitelaw said.

### WENDELL 7, DECLO 1

Third-seeded Wendell had two players registering hat tricks as the Trojans eliminated No. 6 Declo 7-1 in the High Desert Conference Tournament on Saturday.

Senior forward Sascha Winkler and junior midfielder Johnny Macias each scored three goals in the Wendell win and Jose Ruelas knocked in the seventh goal for Wendell (8-4-3). The Trojans will now travel to Gooding to face the Senators on Monday.

"I thought we played a strong all-around game on defense and offense," said Wendell coach Jonathan Goss. "We are right where we want to be in the tournament."

Declo ended the season at 2-12-1.

## Girls soccer

### BUHL 5, DECLO 2

Tianna Weaver scored twice to lead Buhl to a 5-2 win over visiting Declo in

the elimination round of the High Desert Soccer Conference Tournament on Saturday.

Kim Juker, Skylar Barger and Jasmine Tello also scored for the Indians (10-2-3), who advance to play the Community School in Ketchum on Tuesday.

Declo ends its season at 2-9-4.

### COMMUNITY SCHOOL 6, GOODING 0

Nellie Brown scored a hat trick as the Community School knocked off Gooding 6-0 in Ketchum on Saturday.

Ellie Swanson had a goal and an assist for the Cutthroats (10-4-2), while Taylor Figge and Erica Eshman also scored. Madison Murach assisted twice.

The Community School hosts Buhl on Tuesday. Gooding ends its season at 0-12-1.

### BLISS 2, WENDELL 1

Linsay James scored on a breakaway in the 16th minute of extra time to lift Bliss to a 2-1 win over Wendell, eliminating the Trojans from the HDSC Tournament.

Irlanda Diaz scored for Bliss in the second half to equalize the match, setting the stage for James' golden goal four minutes away from what would have been a penalty shootout. All three matches between Bliss (5-8-1) and Wendell (5-9-0) were settled by 2-1 scorelines, with the Bears winning twice.

Bliss coach Diana Butler credited the defensive play of Ashley Taylor and Demi Delcambre as instrumental to the team's fortunes.

Bliss is at Filer on Tuesday.

## Volleyball

### BRUINS SWEEP HOME TRI

Twin Falls edged closer to a perfect Great Basin Conference season with a 25-15, 25-16, 25-17 victory over Wood River on Saturday.

Allie Johnson had 26 assists and 11 digs for the Bruins, while Cheltzie Williams added 14 kills and Ariel Medina had 11.

Twin Falls finished the tri-match by beating Pocatello 25-11, 25-16, on the strength of Josie Jordan's nine kills.

Wood River beat Pocatello 25-10, 25-13 in the third match.

Twin Falls (12-4, 9-0 GBC) closes the regular season at Minico on Thursday. A Spartan win would make the two teams co-regular season champions.

### CHALLIS SWEEPS PAIR IN OAKLEY

Challis beat Oakley and Hansen in Oakley on Saturday.

The Vikings beat Oakley 25-18, 25-23, 25-11 before dispatching the Huskies in three games as well. Oakley and Hansen did not play each other.

Oakley (3-17) is at Shoban on Thursday to close the regular-season.

## Late Friday football

### JEROME 62, WOOD RIVER 22

The Jerome Tigers defeated Wood River 62-22 Friday in Hailey in a Great Basin Conference game. Complete statistics were made available to the Times-News Saturday.

Tiger running back Ross Hillier led the team in rushing with 47 yards and four touchdowns on 10 carries. Quarterback Cameron Stauffer completed 7 of 7 with touchdown passes to Gus Callen, Billy Wight and Heyden Thacker.

For the Wolverines, Tyler Peters gained 145 yards and a score on the ground, while Nathan Farrow rushed for 69 yards and two touchdowns.

The Tigers moved to 2-1 in the Great Basin (3-3 overall), clinching a spot in the Great 8 portion of the Class 4A state playoffs and will host Minico Friday.

Wood River (1-5, 0-3) stays home Friday to face GBC leader Twin Falls.

### Jerome 62, Wood River 22

Jerome 28 21 13 0 - 62  
Wood River 0 0 8 14 - 22  
First quarter  
Jerome - Ross Hillier 4 run (Roman Vasquez kick) 8:59  
J - Heyden Thacker 8 pass from Cameron Stauffer (Vasquez kick) 7:50  
J - Gus Callen 71 pass from Stauffer (Vasquez kick) 4:12  
J - Hillier 13 run (Vasquez kick) 2:39  
Second quarter  
J - Billy Wight 21 pass from Stauffer (Vasquez kick) 11:54  
J - Hillier 12 run (Vasquez kick) 8:55  
J - Hillier 5 run (Vasquez kick) 7:07  
Third quarter  
J - Dylan Dowton 1 run (Vasquez kick) 8:31  
Wood River - Tyler Peters 1 run (Nick Chase pass from Juan Martinez) 4:12  
J - Arnold Zuvala 4 run (kick failed) 0:35  
Fourth quarter  
WR - Nathan Farrow 3 run (run failed) 4:25  
WR - Farrow 1 run (Martinez run) 1:06

## SOCCER TOURNEY SCHEDULES

### Class 4A Great Basin Conference Tournament

All times TBA unless stated

**Boys**  
**Thursday, Oct. 8**  
**Match 1:** No. 5 Canyon Ridge 3, No. 4 Twin Falls 1  
**Match 2:** No. 3 Burley 1, No. 6 Minico 0  
**Saturday, Oct. 10**  
**Match 3:** No. 1 Jerome 4, Canyon Ridge 2  
**Match 4:** Burley 3, No. 2 Wood River 0  
**Match 5:** Twin Falls 5, Minico 4 (Minico eliminated)  
**Monday, Oct. 12**  
**Match 6:** Twin Falls (5-10-4) at Canyon Ridge (4-10-4), 4:30 p.m.  
**Match 7:** Burley (9-4-4) at Jerome (17-1-0), 4:30 p.m.  
**Tuesday, Oct. 13**  
**Match 8:** Winner 6 at Wood River (11-2-3), 4:30 p.m.  
**Wednesday, Oct. 14**  
**Match 9:** Winner 8 vs. Loser 7  
**Thursday, Oct. 15**  
**Match 10:** Winner 7 vs. Winner 9  
**Saturday, Oct. 17**  
**Match 11:** Winner 10 vs. Loser 10,

if necessary

**Girls**  
**Thursday, Oct. 8**  
**Match 1:** No. 4 Minico 2, No. 5 Burley 0  
**Match 2:** No. 3 Jerome 4, No. 6 Canyon Ridge 0  
**Saturday, Oct. 10**  
**Match 3:** No. 1 Wood River 13, Minico 0  
**Match 4:** No. 2 Twin Falls 7, Jerome 1  
**Monday, Oct. 12**  
**Match 6:** Burley (2-14-1) at Minico (7-9-2), 4:30 p.m.  
**Match 7:** Twin Falls (13-3-2) at Wood River (13-2-1), 4:30 p.m.  
**Tuesday, Oct. 13**  
**Match 8:** Winner 6 at Jerome (6-10-2), 4:30 p.m.  
**Wednesday, Oct. 14**  
**Match 9:** Winner 8 vs. Loser 7  
**Thursday, Oct. 15**  
**Match 10:** Winner 7 vs. Winner 9  
**Saturday, Oct. 17**  
**Match 11:** Winner 10 vs. Loser 10, if necessary

### Class 3A High Desert Soccer Conference Tournament

All times TBA unless stated

**Boys**  
**Saturday, Oct. 11**  
**First round (losers eliminated)**  
**Match 1:** No. 2 Gooding 4, No. 7 Filer 0  
**Match 2:** No. 3 Wendell 7, No. 6 Declo 1  
**Match 3:** No. 4 Community School 1, No. 5 Buhl 0  
**Monday, Oct. 13**  
**Match 4:** Wendell (8-4-3) at Gooding (11-1-1), 4:30 p.m.  
**Match 5:** Community School (5-7-4) at No. 1 Bliss (12-1-0), 4:30 p.m.  
**Wednesday, Oct. 15**  
**Match 6:** Loser 4 vs. Loser 5  
**Match 7:** Championship, Winner 4 vs. Winner 5  
**Friday, Oct. 17**  
**Match 8:** Second place, Winner 6 vs. Loser 7

**Saturday, Oct. 11**  
**First round (losers eliminated)**  
**Match 1:** No. 2 Community School 6, No. 7 Gooding 0  
**Match 2:** No. 3 Buhl 5, No. 6 Declo 2  
**Match 3:** No. 5 Bliss 2, No. 4 Wendell 1, after extra time  
**Tuesday, Oct. 14**  
**Match 4:** Buhl (10-2-3) at Community School (10-4-2), 4:30 p.m.  
**Match 5:** Bliss (5-8-1) at No. 1 Filer (11-2-5), 4:30 p.m.  
**Thursday, Oct. 16**  
**Match 6:** Loser 4 vs. Loser 5  
**Match 7:** Championship, Winner 4 vs. Winner 5  
**Saturday, Oct. 18**  
**Match 8:** Second place, Winner 6 vs. Loser 7

## Bruins

### Continued from Sports 1

Claire Goss netted the Bruins' first goal from the top of the box off a corner kick by Erin Grubbs-Imhoff. The lead was short-lived, however, as the Tigers answered on a long pass from Sedano from the sideline that found Aubree Callen in front of the goal for the score.

Clark broke the tie and two goals by Grubbs-Imhoff, the first on a pass from Madi Worst and the second as Grubbs-Imhoff knocked in a loose ball in front of the cage, made it a 4-1 score.

Goss recorded two assists in the second half, one to Worst and the second to Lauren Rogers. Ryann Simpson added an unassisted goal late in the half for the Bruins (13-3-2).

When asked about what is fun about playing defense, Bruins sophomore midfielder Anne Kent said she enjoyed the challenge of covering another player one-on-one.

"One of the problems we have is taking the ball to the outside too much but we are working on that and also on our passing," said Kent.

Jerome coach Carlos Hernandez was happy with the play of the Tigers (6-10-2) even in the loss

"For us it was not a bad game," said Hernandez. "There were several mistakes that cost us and Twin Falls was able to

take advantage of them. The score doesn't really reflect how we played. I still believe our defense was tough and they stood their ground."

The Bruins will now face No. 1 Wood River on Monday in Hailey at 4:30 p.m. Kauffman is looking ahead to that match after the Wolverines have handed the Bruins two losses in the regular season.

"I told the girls we need to work hard," said Kauffman. "We plan on taking our game to (Wood River) when it counts."

Jerome will host an elimination game on Tuesday, against the winner of Monday's knockout game between Burley and Minico.

### WOOD RIVER 13, MINICO 0

The top seed Wood River Wolverines (13-2-1) soundly defeated the No. 4 Minico Spartans 13-0 in the Great Basin Conference and will now host No. 2 Twin Falls on Monday at 4:30 p.m.

Minico (7-9-2) will host Burley on Monday at 4:30 p.m.

### BURLEY 1, CANYON RIDGE 0

Gelyn Pauly scored the match's only goal as Burley eliminated Canyon Ridge 1-0 in Burley on Saturday.

The Bobcats (2-14-1) advance to face Minico in another elimination game in Rupert on Monday.

## Jerome

### Continued from Sports 1

The same offense. Tigers defender Jovany Ortiz received a two-match ban, which started Saturday, for his first offense. ... Jerome defender Eduardo Ruiz is suspended from Monday's match after receiving a straight red card for denying a clear goal-scoring opportunity by fouling Emmanuel in the penalty area.

### BURLEY 3, WOOD RIVER 0

Burley used its counter-attacking game to thwart top-seeded Wood River, winning 3-0 in Hailey on Saturday.

Saul Esquivel got on the end of a Gustavo Castaneda cross midway through the first half to give the Bobcats a 1-0 lead. The true turning point came when Cesar Mendoza nailed in a spectacular bicycle kick moments after Burley denied Wood River on an indirect free kick from 5 yards out. Logan Searle lobbed the Wolverine goalkeeper from about 20 yards out to complete the scoring and set up a date with Jerome on Monday with the winner clinching a berth at state.

"It's one more day, and we're starting to get healthy," said Burley coach

Wes Nyblade. "The longer we go, the more chances we have to get guys in and get back to running at full speed. It should be a fun game on Monday."

Wood River will host an elimination game Tuesday against the winner of Monday's game between Twin Falls and Canyon Ridge.

### TWIN FALLS 5, MINICO 4

Colton Stott scored twice and Twin Falls held off a frantic second-half rally to eliminate Minico 5-4 at Sunway Soccer Complex on Saturday.

Stott's brace combined with goals from Martin Serrano and Brayden Warth to stake the Bruins (5-10-4) to a 4-2 lead at the break. Phil Southwick added a goal to the margin in the second half before Minico scored twice to set up a nervy finish.

"Guys stepped up really well, especially the guys from JV and the bench," said Twin Falls coach Jose Morales. "They knew they had to step it up and play hard. We had a lot of people out, but it was a good game."

Twin Falls plays Canyon Ridge at Sunway on Monday.

# CSI set for return to top billing

## Golden Eagles sweep Snow, No. 1 NIC falls

Times-News

The College of Southern Idaho volleyball team just might top the charts again.

No. 2 CSI defeated Snow College 25-15, 25-20, 25-23 on Saturday afternoon, putting the finishing touches on a weekend sweep on its trip to Utah.

The Golden Eagles (21-3, 4-1 SWAC) will almost certainly reclaim the No. 1 overall ranking in next week's NJCAA Division I poll, due out midweek, after top-ranked North Idaho College failed to do what CSI did Friday night: beat Salt Lake Community College. The No. 5 Bruins beat the Cardinals in four sets while CSI was polishing off Snow.

That bit of news turned a really good weekend into a great weekend for the Golden Eagles.

"It's a fantastic weekend. The scenario looking forward makes me smile," said CSI head coach Heidi Cartisser. "I'm extremely pleased with the weekend, and then coming out and holding it through to Snow. We blocked a lot of balls ... our blocking was good all weekend."

Jessica Peacock had 10 kills for the Golden Eagles, while Torrey Hulsey added nine and five blocks. Laticia Lehman and Barbara Alcantara combined for 29 assists.

CSI played the match without the services of outside hitter Elisa Brochado, who hurt her back during warmups. Cartisser said the loss of Brochado, who was to be evaluated when CSI returned late Saturday night, didn't seem to faze her team.

"We went into the match knowing we were trying to give more people

## DIG PINK THIS WEEK

The College of Southern Idaho volleyball team will hold its second annual "Dig Pink" fundraiser night on Friday, when they host Western Wyoming College in a nonconference match. Proceeds will benefit the Side-Out Foundation, which raises funds for breast cancer research. CSI's stated goal is to raise \$5,000. CSI head coach Heidi Cartisser encouraged fans to wear pink to Friday's match. Donations may be made on the Web at [https://www.side-out.org/application/teams/team\\_page/1239](https://www.side-out.org/application/teams/team_page/1239) or at the door.

some opportunities to play today anyway, so there wasn't really any panic," Cartisser said. "(Danielle Dean) came in and did a great job for us not having LiLi out there. Everyone picked up the pieces even though it's not the same starting six that we've had all the time."

CSI spelled players early and often in the match, running a 6-2 offense rather than its customary 5-1. That allowed Barbara Alcantara and Jessica Peacock to get a little extra rest, while Laticia Lehman and Alex van Dyke got a little more floor time.

The Golden Eagles share first place in the SWAC with both Salt Lake and North Idaho at the halfway point in the schedule, but both rivals come to Twin Falls in the second half.

North Idaho will play at CSI this Saturday, a day after the Golden Eagles' nonconference match with Western Wyoming College.



# United States rallies to clinch World Cup berth

SAN PEDRO SULA, Honduras — The U.S. soccer team is headed to South Africa for a chance to redeem itself in the World Cup.

Conor Casey scored his first two international goals in the second half, Landon Donovan added another and the United States clinched its sixth straight World Cup berth with a game to spare by rallying past Honduras 3-2 Saturday night.

“We did a good job tonight,” Donovan said. “We’re going to South Africa.”

In one of the most thrilling

end-to-end matches the U.S. has played in many years, the Americans took a 3-1 lead before Honduras cleased on Julio Cesar De Leon’s second goal of the game.

Carlos Pavon had a chance to tie following a hand ball in the penalty area by Jonathan Spector. But Pavon put his penalty kick over the crossbar in the 87th minute, then fired high on an open header from in front in the 89th.

Coming off a first-round elimination at the 2006 World Cup in Germany, the United States (6-2-1) is first in North and Central

America and the Caribbean with 19 points and is assured of one of the three automatic berths that go to the top finishers in the region.

Mexico (6-3) also clinched Saturday and has 18 points following a 4-1 victory over visiting El Salvador. Costa Rica (5-4) moved into third with 15 points after winning at home against Trinidad and Tobago.

Honduras (4-4-1), seeking its second World Cup appearance and first since 1982, has 13 points and dropped into fourth. If the Catrachos are still in that spot after the final match at

El Salvador on Wednesday, they would meet the No. 5 nation from South America in a playoff.

The nation has been in turmoil since a June military coup, but the crowd was united behind its team.

“This isn’t an easy place to play,” Donovan said. “No one else has won here in qualifying and we just did.”

De Leon put Honduras ahead in the 47th minute when he curved a free kick over a five-man defensive wall and to the right of leaping U.S. goalkeeper Tim Howard from one yard outside the penalty area after a

foul by Oguchi Onyewu.

That set off sustained boisterous cheering and jumping that made Estadio Olimpico Metropolitan shake, but the sellout crowd of about 40,000 was silenced when Casey tied it in the 55th.

Onyewu sent a long pass downfield, and Charlie Davies nodded it across the area to Casey, who out-jumped a defender and out-muscled goalkeeper Noel Valladares for his first goal in 15 international appearances.

David Suazo nearly put Honduras ahead in the 65th, one minute after entering,

but Howard made a leaping fingertip save. Casey then gave the U.S. the lead a minute later when he split two defenders, took a pass from Donovan and scored from 16 yards.

Donovan, who set an American record with his 10th assist of the year, extended his U.S. scoring record on a 21-yard free kick in the 71st minute. It was if the air had been sucked out of the stadium.

Mauricio Sabillon nearly tied it in the 82nd, putting a bicycle kick over the crossbar and causing Howard to scream at his defenders.

# SCOREBOARD

## BASEBALL

**MLB Playoffs**  
All Times EDT  
(x-if necessary)  
DIVISION SERIES  
American League  
New York 7, Minnesota 0  
Wednesday, Oct. 7

New York 7, Minnesota 2  
Friday, Oct. 9

New York 4, Minnesota 3, 11 innings  
Sunday, Oct. 11

New York (Pettitte 14-8) at Minnesota (Pavano 14-12), 5:07 p.m.

Monday, Oct. 12

x-New York (Sabathia 19-8) at Minnesota (S. Baker 15-9), 3:07 p.m.

Wednesday, Oct. 14

x-Minnesota at New York, 4:07 p.m. or 6:07 p.m. if only game

Los Angeles 2, Boston 0  
Thursday, Oct. 8

Los Angeles 4, Boston 1  
Friday, Oct. 9

Los Angeles 4, Boston 1  
Sunday, Oct. 11

Los Angeles (Kazmir 10-9) at Boston (Buchholz 7-4), 10:07 a.m.

Monday, Oct. 12

x-Los Angeles (Saunders 16-7) at Boston (Lester 15-8), 6:37 p.m.

Wednesday, Oct. 14

x-Boston at Los Angeles, 7:37 p.m. or 6:07 p.m. if only game

National League  
Los Angeles 3, St. Louis 0  
Wednesday, Oct. 7

Los Angeles 5, St. Louis 1  
Thursday, Oct. 8

Los Angeles 3, St. Louis 2  
Saturday, Oct. 10

Los Angeles 5, St. Louis 1  
Philadelphia 1, Colorado 1  
Thursday, Oct. 7

Philadelphia 5, Colorado 1  
Friday, Oct. 8

Colorado 5, Philadelphia 4  
Saturday, Oct. 10

Philadelphia at Colorado, 5 p.m., weather

Sunday, Oct. 11

Philadelphia (Happ 12-4) at Colorado (Hammel 10-8), 8:07 p.m.

Monday, Oct. 12

Philadelphia (Lee 7-4) at Colorado (Marquis 15-13), TBA

Tuesday, Oct. 13

x-Colorado at Philadelphia, 4:07 p.m. or 6:07 p.m. if only game

EASTERN				
ATLANTIC	W	L	Pct	GB
Philadelphia	3	0	1.000	—
Boston	1	1	.500	1½
New York	1	1	.500	1½
Toronto	1	2	.333	2
New Jersey	0	2	.000	2½
SOUTHEAST	W	L	Pct	GB
Orlando	3	0	1.000	—
Atlanta	1	0	1.000	1
Washington	1	1	.500	1½
Charlotte	1	2	.333	2
Miami	0	2	.000	2½
CENTRAL	W	L	Pct	GB
Cleveland	2	0	1.000	—
Detroit	0	0	1.000	—
Chicago	2	1	.667	½
Indiana	1	1	.500	1
Milwaukee	1	2	.333	1½
WESTERN	W	L	Pct	GB
SOUTHWEST	W	L	Pct	GB
Houston	2	1	.667	—
Dallas	1	1	.500	½
Memphis	1	1	.500	½
New Orleans	1	2	.333	1
San Antonio	0	1	.000	1
NORTHWEST	W	L	Pct	GB
Portland	2	1	.667	—
Minnesota	1	1	.500	½
Utah	1	1	.500	½
Denver	1	2	.333	1
Oklahoma City	0	2	.000	1½
PACIFIC	W	L	Pct	GB
Golden State	3	1	.750	—
L.A. Clippers	1	1	.500	1
L.A. Lakers	1	1	.500	1
Phoenix	0	1	.000	1½
Sacramento	0	2	.000	2

## GAME PLAN

### TV SCHEDULE

**AUTO RACING**  
1:15 p.m.

ABC — NASCAR, Sprint Cup, Pepsi 500, at Fontana, Calif.

5 p.m.

ESPN2 — NHRA, Virginia Nationals, final eliminations, at Richmond, Va. (same-day tape)

8 p.m.

SPEED — ARCA, American 200, at Rockingham, N.C. (same-day tape)

8 p.m.

TBS — Playoffs, American League Division Series, Game 3, Los Angeles at Boston

5 p.m.

TBS — Playoffs, American League Division Series, Game 3, New York at Minnesota

8 p.m.

TBS — Playoffs, National League Division Series, Game 3, Philadelphia at Colorado

11 a.m.

NFL FOOTBALL

2 p.m.

FOX — Atlanta at San Francisco

2:15 p.m.

CBS — New England at Denver

6:15 p.m.

NBC — Indianapolis at Tennessee

7 p.m.

VERSUS — PBR, Cooper Tires Invitational, at Columbus, Ohio (same-day tape)

### MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

Lexington, Ky.

10 a.m.

TBS — Playoffs, American League Division Series, Game 3, Los Angeles at Boston

5 p.m.

TBS — Playoffs, American League Division Series, Game 3, New York at Minnesota

8 p.m.

TBS — Playoffs, National League Division Series, Game 3, Philadelphia at Colorado

11 a.m.

NFL FOOTBALL

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Yardage: 7,137; P: 71  
United States 12½, INTERNATIONAL 9½  
FOOTBALL  
INTERNATIONAL 2½, UNITED STATES 2½

Anthony Kim and Jim Furyk, United States, def. Angel Cabrera and Adam Scott, 2 up.

Geoff Ogilvy and Robert Allenby, International, def. Stewart Cink and Lucas Glover, United States, 2 and 1.

Ernie Els and Mike Weir, International, def. Zach Johnson and Justin Leonard, United States, 5 and 3.

Tiger Woods and Steve Stricker, United States, def. Y.E. Yang and Ryo Ishikawa, International, 4 and 2.

Vijay Singh and Tim Clark, International, halved with Phil Mickelson and Sean O'Hair, United States, 4 and 2.

FOURNES

United States 3½, INTERNATIONAL 1½

Phil Mickelson and Sean O'Hair, United States, def. Rafael Goosen and Camilo Villegas, International, 5 and 3.

Justin Leonard and Jim Furyk, United States, def. Ernie Els and Adam Scott, International, 4 and 2.

Robert Allenby and Vijay Singh, International, halved with Stewart Cink and Hunter Mahan, United States.

Tiger Woods and Steve Stricker, United States, def. Mike Weir and Tim Clark, International, 1 up.

Y.E. Yang and Ryo Ishikawa, International, def. Kenny Perry and Zach Johnson, United States, 3 and 2.

## How the AP Top 25 Fared

Saturday

No. 1 Florida (5-0) beat No. 4 LSU 13-3. Next: vs. Arkansas, Saturday.

No. 2 Texas (5-0) beat Colorado 38-14. Next: vs. No. 19 Oklahoma, Saturday.

No. 3 Alabama (6-0) beat No. 20 Mississippi 22-3. Next: vs. No. 2 South Carolina, Saturday.

No. 4 LSU (5-1) lost to No. 1 Florida 13-3. Next: vs. No. 17 Auburn, Saturday, Oct. 24.

No. 5 Virginia Tech (5-1) beat Boston College 48-14. Next: at No. 22 Georgia Tech, Saturday.

No. 6 Boise State (5-0) did not play. Next: at Tulsa, Wednesday, Oct. 14.

No. 7 Southern Cal (4-1) did not play. Next: at Notre Dame, Saturday, Oct. 17.

No. 8 Cincinnati (5-0) did not play. Next: at No. 23 South Florida, Thursday, Oct. 15.

No. 9 Ohio State (5-1) beat Wisconsin 31-13. Next: at Purdue, Saturday.

No. 10 TCU (5-0) beat Air Force 20-17. Next: vs. Colorado State, Saturday.

No. 11 Miami (4-1) beat Florida A&M 48-16. Next: at UCF, Saturday, Oct. 14.

No. 12 Iowa (6-0) beat Michigan 30-28. Next: at Wisconsin, Saturday.

No. 13 Oregon (5-1) beat UCLA 24-10. Next: at Washington, Saturday, Oct. 24.

No. 14 Penn State (5-1) beat Eastern Illinois 52-3. Next: vs. Miami, Saturday.

No. 15 Oklahoma State (4-1) beat Texas A&M 36-31. Next: vs. Colorado, Saturday.

No. 16 Kansas (5-0) beat Iowa State 41-36. Next: at Colorado State, Saturday.

No. 17 Auburn (5-1) lost to Arkansas 44-23. Next: vs. Kentucky, Saturday.

No. 18 BYU (4-1) at UNLV, late. Next: at San Diego State, Saturday.

No. 19 Oklahoma (3-2) beat Baylor 33-7. Next: vs. No. 2 Texas, Saturday.

No. 20 Mississippi (3-2) lost to No. 3 Alabama 3-22. Next: vs. UAB, Saturday.

No. 21 Nebraska (4-1) beat No. 24 Missouri 27-12. Next: vs. Texas Tech, Saturday.

No. 22 Georgia Tech (4-1) at Florida State, late. Next: vs. Virginia Tech, Saturday.

No. 23 South Florida (5-0) did not play. Next: vs. No. 8 Cincinnati, Thursday, Oct. 15.

No. 24 Missouri (4-1) lost to No. 21 Nebraska 27-12. Thursday. Next: at No. 19 Oklahoma State, Saturday, Oct. 17.

No. 25 South Carolina (5-1) beat Kentucky 28-26. Next: at No. 3 Alabama, Saturday.

## HOCKEY

NHL  
All Times EDT  
EASTERN

ATLANTIC	GP	W	L	OT	PTS	GF	GA
Pittsburgh	5	4	1	0	8	17	14
Philadelphia	5	3	1	1	7	19	15
N.Y. Rangers	4	3	1	0	6	14	10
New Jersey	4	2	1	0	4	11	13
N.Y. Islanders	3	0	3	0	3	8	11
NORTHEAST	GP	W	L	OT	PTS	GF	GA
Ottawa	4	3	1	0	6	11	10
Buffalo	3	2	1	0	4	3	3
Boston	4	2	2	0	4	13	15
Montreal	4	2	2	0	4	10	15
Toronto	4	0	3	1	1	10	17
SOUTHWEST	GP	W	L	OT	PTS	GF	GA
Washington	5	2	2	1	5	20	18
Atlanta	3	2	1	0	4	12	9
Tampa Bay	4	1	1	2	4	12	14
Florida	5	2	3	0	4	13	17
Carolina	4	1	2	1	2	8	17
CENTRAL	GP	W	L	OT	PTS	GF	GA
Columbus	4	3	1	0	6	12	10
Chicago	4	2	1	1	5	13	10
Nashville	4	2	1	0	4	6	5
St. Louis	4	2	2	0	4	12	13
N.Y. Islanders	4	2	2	0	4	12	12
NORTHEAST	GP	W	L	OT	PTS	GF	GA
Calgary	5	4	1	0	8	19	17
Colorado	5	4	1	0	8	19	17
Edmonton	3	1	1	1	3	11	12
Minnesota	3	1	2	0	2	8	11
Vancouver	4	1	3	0	2	13	14
PACIFIC	GP	W	L	OT	PTS	GF	GA
Los Angeles	4	3	1	0	6	17	14
Anaheim	4	2	1	1	5	13	10
Phoenix	4	2	2	0	4	10	7
San Jose	4	2	2	0	4	16	15
Dallas	3	1	0	2	4	11	10

Two points for a win, one point for overtime loss.

## NL Playoff Box

Los Angeles

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Furcal ss 5 1 2 1 Schmrk 2b 3 0 0 0

Kemp cf 5 1 1 0 Lugo ph-2b 0 1 0 0

Ethier rf 5 2 3 2 Ludwick rf 4 0 1 0

Wright c 4 0 0 0 Pujols 1b 4 0 2 1

Pierre lf 0 0 0 0 Holliday lf 4 0 0 0

Loney 1b 4 0 0 0 Rasmus cf 3 0 1 0

Blake 3b 4 0 1 0 Y Molina c 4 0 2 0

Bellard 2b 4 1 1 0 DeRosa 3b 4 0 0 0

OHudson 2b 0 0 0 0 Birbyan ss 3 0 0 0

R Martin c 4 0 0 0 Motta p 0 0 0 0

VPadill 3 3 0 0 Pineiro p 1 0 0 0

Thome ph 1 0 0 0 D Reyes p 0 0 0 0

Sherrill p 0 0 0 0 Thurston ph 0 0 0 0

Broxton p 0 0 0 0 Smoltz p 0 0 0 0

Motter p 0 0 0 0

LaRue ph 1 0 0 0

Franklin p 0 0 0 0

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## Friday's Games

Orlando 113, Houston 104

Dallas 123, Washington 115

Philadelphia 93, New Jersey 92

Boston 5½, New York 62

Toronto 112, Minnesota 97

San Antonio 107, Olympics 89

Golden State 110, L.A. Lakers 91

L.A. Clippers 97, Portland 85

New Orleans 88, Oklahoma City 79

Cleveland 102, Charlotte 96

Milwaukee 98, Chicago 86

Golden State 104, Phoenix 101

Friday's Games

Indiana vs. Denver at Beijing, 10 p.m.

New Jersey at Boston, 11 a.m.

Washington at Toronto, 1 p.m.

San Antonio at Miami, 4 p.m.

Atlanta at Detroit, 4 p.m.

Memphis at Dallas, 5 p.m.

Monday's Games

Charlotte at Atlanta, 5 p.m.

Orlando at Memphis, 6 p.m.

Phoenix at Oklahoma City, 6 p.m.

Milwaukee at Houston, 6:30 p.m.

Golden State at L.A. Clippers, 8:30 p.m.

## BETTING

Glantz-Culver Line  
For Oct. 11  
Major League Baseball Playoffs  
National League

FAVORITE	LINE	UNDERDOG	LINE
at St. Louis	-180	Los Angeles	+170
Philadelphia	-110	at Colorado	+100
American League			
at Boston	-185	Los Angeles	+135
New York	-145	at Minnesota	+175
NFL Today			
FAVORITE	OPEN TODAY	O/U	UNDERDOG
Minnesota	10	10½ (41)	at St. Louis
Dallas	9	7½ (42½)	at Kansas City
at Carolina	5½	4 (37½)	Washington
at Philadelphia	14	15 (42)	Tampa Bay
at N.Y. Giants	15	15½ (37½)	Oakland
Cleveland	6	6 (41)	Cleveland
at Baltimore	6	8½ (42)	Cincinnati
Pittsburgh	12	10½ (44)	at Detroit
at San Francisco	PK	2½ (40½)	Atlanta
New England	3½	3 (41)	at Denver
at Arizona	5	5½ (50)	Houston
at Seattle	4	4 (44½)	Jacksonville
Indianapolis	3	4 (45)	at Tennessee
Monday			
N.Y. Jets	2½	2 (36)	at Miami

## FOOTBALL

NFL  
All Times EDT  
AMERICAN

EAST	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
N.Y. Jets	3	1	0	.750	74	57
New England	3	1	0	.750	87	71
Miami	1	3	0	.250	81	79
Buffalo	1	3	0	.250	74	110
SOUTH	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Indianapolis	4	0	0	1.000	106	62
Jacksonville	2	2	0	.500	97	86
Houston	2	2	0	.500	94	92
Tennessee	0	4	0	.000	75	108
NORTH	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Baltimore	3	1	0	.750	124	80
Cincinnati	3	1	0	.750	84	76
Oakland	1	3	0	.250	42	86
Pittsburgh	2	2	0	.500	85	78
Cleveland	0	4	0	.000	49	118
WEST	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Denver	4	0	0	1.000	79	26
San Diego	2	2	0	.500	101	102
Oakland	1	3	0	.250	42	86
Kansas City	0	4	0	.000	64	112
NATIONAL	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
N.Y. Giants	4	0	0	1.000	107	64
Philadelphia	2	1	0	.667	94	72
Dallas	2	2	0	.500	96	78
Washington	2	2	0	.500	96	62
SOUTH	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
New Orleans	4	0	0	1.000	144	66
Atlanta	2	1	0	.667	57	53
Carolina	0	3	0	.000	37	87

## Friday's Games

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at St. Louis

Philadelphia 1, 0, 0 1.000 118 80

Chicago 3, 1, 0 .750 105 78

Green Bay 2, 1, 0 .500 104 93

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## PRESIDENTS CUP

## Unbeaten

Woods & Stricker  
first undefeated  
team in 30 years

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — Tiger Woods and Steve Stricker became the first partnership in the Presidents Cup to go 4-0, winning twice Saturday behind an improbable rally by Woods and the pure putting of Stricker.

On the verge of defeat in morning foursomes, Woods made a 25-foot birdie putt to square the match on the 17th, then drilled a 3-iron to 8 feet on the final hole for an eagle that was conceded in a 1-up victory over Mike Weir and Tim Clark.

In afternoon fourballs, Woods only had to watch Stricker make one long birdie putt after another in a 4-and-2 victory over Y.E. Yang and 18-year-old Ryo Ishikawa, the first loss for the Asian duo.

Jim Furyk and Anthony Kim held on for a 2-up victory over Adam Scott and Angel Cabrera, assuring the Americans the lead going into the final day of 12 singles matches.

The International team picked up easy victories in fourballs from Weir and Ernie Els, who had a 5-and-3 win over Zach Johnson and Justin Leonard; and Geoff Ogilvy and Robert Allenby, winning 2-and-1 over Lucas Glover and Stewart Cink.

Glover is the only American without a point going into singles.

Woods and Stricker are the first partners to go 4-0 in any team competition since Larry Nelson and Lanny Wadkins won all their matches in the 1979 Ryder Cup at The Greenbrier.

"What he did in this morning's round made me want to do something and step up a little bit," said Stricker, who had seven consecutive 3s on his card. "Fortunately, I was rolling it pretty well."

It was vintage Woods in the morning foursomes.



Y.E. Yang reacts as his putt just misses on No. 10 in his four-ball match at the Presidents Cup at Harding Park Golf Course Saturday in San Francisco.

AP photo

He and Stricker trailed most of the match and had to work hard to stay 1 down with two holes remaining. It looked as though the match might end on the 17th hole, when Clark hit wedge into 5 feet for a birdie. Woods tried to drive the green and found a bunker, and Stricker hit a poor shot 25

feet below the cup.

If Woods missed and Weir made, the match was over.

Woods' putt dropped on the final turn, and he showed more emotion than he has all week, repeatedly pumping his fist as Stricker broke into a wide grin. Weir pushed his putt, and suddenly the match was all square.

On the par-5 18th, with Weir already in the greenside bunker, Woods hit a 3-iron so pure that he twirled the club and held his arms out as he walked toward the green, as if putting a hex on the ball. It stopped 8 feet away, and they won the watch when Clark blasted long out of the bunker.

# Olympics add length to golf's global reach

Can you say "Tiger Woods" in Portuguese? Mandarin? Hindi?

Because by the time the next truly great golfer comes along, chances are he'll be coming from Brazil, China and India rather than the United States or Britain. That's what Friday's vote by the International Olympic Committee really means. In the same way the British owned the 19th century and Americans most of the last one, placing golf on the Olympic menu — the IOC voted to add rugby to the 2016 games as well — virtually guarantees one or more of this century's emerging powers will dominate it.

"Golf cannot compare with football because here it is a religion" Rachid Orra, president of the Brazilian Golf Confederation, said over the telephone from Rio de Janeiro, site of the 2016 Summer Games.

"We have a lot of work to do, but also a good opportunity to make golf jump among the people. Can we find a Tiger Woods of our own? Ha!" he added chuckling softly. "At least we have seven years to look."

True believers such as Orra argue the Olympics will give golf legitimacy as a sport that it's lacked outside the English-speaking world — and restore its democratic roots in the process.

"In China, for example, it's licensed as entertainment and taxed the same as, say, a karaoke bar," said John Strawn, president of Hills/Forest, a golf course architecture and design firm that has completed projects in 20 countries and has another 10 on the drawing board. "Once it's treated as a sport, and becomes part of the sports establishment, they'll build facilities and work at identifying talented young golfers and training them."

"Now, when you travel across China, you see basketball courts and soccer fields everywhere. Once golf becomes an Olympic sport, countries like China and India will use the Tiger Woods model — stressing things like his fitness and dedication — and change the perception that it's a nonathletic hobby for rich people.

"And that might be the best thing about it," Strawn said. "When you go back to golf's beginnings in Scotland, it was very much a game of the people."

Yet cynics flip that same argument on its head. They say markets in the West have largely matured and that adding golf to the Olympics was little more than a slick move by the game's most powerful interests to find new customers for everything from tees, balls and clubs to



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higher TV rights packages.

If so, golf's governing bodies in those emerging nations sound happy to play along. Brazil, the most populous country in Latin America, has about 200 million people and, according to the golf confederation, only 25,000 golfers playing on 110 courses. The United States, by comparison, has around 300 million people and 27 million golfers playing on 8,000 courses.

"We're never going to see another explosion of golf in the U.S., but in places where the middle class is growing, who knows what the growth rate might be," said Strawn, the president of Hills/Forrest. "Just imagine at some point if the participation rates in China ever approached the 10 percent or so that they are in the U.S."

"Even half of that," he concluded, "is a very deep pool."

Truth is, you don't have to look any further than the current golf season to see the golf globe already spinning faster and faster. Rosters loaded with international stars face off against U.S. squads in the President's Cup and Ryder Cup in alternating years. At the Accenture Match Play, which draws the top 64 ranked players in the world each spring and is the first of four designated "world" events, 20 different nations were represented.

"We are excited about the progress that's being made," PGA Tour commissioner Tim Finchem said. "It's just a long, difficult process. If this was basketball and we could hang a hoop up, with the caliber of players, starting with Tiger right on down to Lorena Ochoa, to create enthusiasm it would be very easy, but it's not. You need real estate, you need space, you need money, you need resources."

And apparently golf has decided the best place to start looking is somewhere inside those five Olympic rings.

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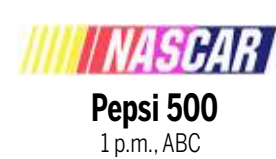
## Rivals wary as Johnson heads home

FONTANA, Calif. (AP) — Juan Pablo Montoya is well aware NASCAR veteran Mark Martin leads the Chase for the Sprint Cup Championship heading into Sunday's 500-mile race at Auto Club Speedway.

It just doesn't feel that way. When Montoya looks at the standings, it's not Martin's name that jumps out but three-time defending champion Jimmie Johnson, who lurks just 18 points behind Martin — and 33 points ahead of Montoya — heading into a stretch the native Californian has turned into his own personal springboard to the title.

Johnson has won three times at California, including a victory last fall that propelled him to his record-tying third consecutive championship. He's even better at Charlotte and Martinsville, the next two stops, winning 11 times in 31 combined starts.

Johnson has been so dominant during this stretch that other drivers find themselves



adjusting their expectations. Montoya isn't necessarily concerned about beating Johnson on Sunday — the two drivers will start alongside each other in the second row behind pole sitter Denny Hamlin and Greg Biffle — so much as staying within striking distance.

"I think last week (at Kansas), this week and probably Martinsville are the three tracks I look forward to trying not to lose as many points as I can against Jimmie," Montoya said. "The way I see it is if you can go through those three races without getting yourself out of reach of Jimmie, you'll be fine."

Sticking close to Johnson isn't easy, especially in California. He's never finished worse than 16th at the 2-mile oval and hasn't missed the Top 10 in three years.

Hamlin, who begins Sunday's race sixth in the standings behind Martin, admitted there's a bit of an 'uh-oh' factor seeing Johnson's name so close to the top.

"I think a lot of it has to do with (the fact that) Jimmie has come from further back over the last few years to win the title," he said. "Being that he's this close to the lead at this point I think everyone is kind of threatened by it."

Yet this season, things might be different.

When Johnson led 271 laps while winning easily at Dover two weeks ago, it seemed as if his patented championship charge was starting a little early. Instead, it stalled — by Johnson's lofty standards anyway — at Kansas.

Johnson appeared to have the best car in the field early in the race before a decision to take four tires while the other leaders took two started a cycle that seemed to keep him stuck in the bottom of the top 10. He finished ninth while Martin finished two spots

ahead to extend his lead from 10 to 18 points.

Sure, it wasn't much, but for the other 11 drivers desperately looking for any chink in Johnson's armor, it'll do.

"I think those guys are going to have to slip a little bit in order for somebody to excel," Biffle said. "Finishing ninth last week was an indication that they had some kind of issue during the race. I know ninth is not terrible, but for their standards or people trying to gain points on them, ninth will allow (other Chasers) to gain points."

It wasn't the first time this year his No. 48 Lowe's Chevrolet team — normally so coolly efficient — has made a questionable call. Johnson ran out of gas in the final laps at Michigan earlier this year and has five finishes of 30th or worse. He had three such finishes last year.

"We have been a little frustrated with leading a lot of laps early and then at the end, it slipping through our fingers for whatever reason," Johnson said.

## Franchitti wins at Homestead, wraps up IRL season title

HOMESTEAD, Fla. (AP) — Dario Franchitti's return to IndyCar racing couldn't have gone better. He's the IRL champion once again.

Franchitti successfully emerged from one of the closest points races in series history Saturday, winning the season-ending Indy 300 at Homestead-Miami Speedway in the first caution-free IRL race ever.

The 2007 champion — who skipped 2008 to explore NASCAR — held off Target Chip Ganassi teammate Scott Dixon and Penske Racing's Ryan Briscoe.

So on the 10th day of the 10th month of the year, Franchitti's No. 10 car

reigned supreme over the IRL.

"I can't believe it," Franchitti said. "It all worked out."

He sat back and saved fuel over much of the final 50 laps, and when his two fellow contenders pitted late, the title was his.

"Congrats to him," Briscoe said. "It hurts." Franchitti's wife, Ashley Judd, got a huge hug from Chip Ganassi as soon as the checked flag fell, and Dixon was one of the first to slap Franchitti a high-five as the new champion emerged from the track.

"We were sticking to our

strategy," Franchitti said. "Our car was really good at the end."

Franchitti finished with 616 points, unofficially 11 ahead of Dixon and 12 ahead of Briscoe.

Tony Kanaan was fourth and Helio Castroneves fifth, but on this day, they were afterthoughts.

It was a three-man race for the title, and from the very beginning Saturday, a three-man race at Homestead, too.

Dixon, Briscoe and Franchitti opened a lead of nearly 1 1/2 seconds by the

time the race was 10 laps old and piled on from there — 2 1/2 seconds after 15 laps, 3 1/2 seconds after 20 laps, 10 seconds by the 30-lap mark.

By the time the race was half over, the three contenders were the only ones on the lead lap.

"There was two races," Castroneves said. "The top three guys, and the rest of the field."

Outside of the three title contenders going back and forth, the only drama was in the pits: Danica Patrick and Dan Wheldon — who have some history, going back to Milwaukee in 2007 when they brushed cars during the race and brushed bodies on

pit road after the race — collided again during a pit stop with about 45 laps left, sending both far back in the pack.

Really, though, this race and championship might have been decided 10 laps earlier.

Briscoe and Dixon pitted together with 56 laps remaining, with Franchitti coming in six laps later. So when Briscoe and Dixon came in again to top off with fuel with about seven laps left, Franchitti stayed on the track, knowing he had enough to get to the finish.

When Briscoe left the pit that final time, Franchitti whizzed past right in front of him — and so did the title.

"How great is my husband at being fast while saving fuel?" Judd said, shrieking and raising her arms high in triumph.

All the engineering and calculations in the world couldn't have had anybody thinking that this race would be run without a single caution flag.

But it was, and Franchitti couldn't have been happier about that.

"Definitely loving it right now," Franchitti said. "Loving this IndyCar series."

Maybe it was fitting that it was an IndyCar race unlike any other, because it was an IndyCar season unlike any other.



Franchitti

# Pair of pick-sixes lifts Sac State over Bengals

SACRAMENTO, Calif. — Terrance Dailey ran for 178 yards on 13 carries and Sacramento State returned two interceptions for touchdowns Saturday in a 38-17 victory over Idaho State.

Minico grad Skylar Morgan scored his first career touchdown, and ISU's first rushing touchdown of the season, on a 1-yard plunge with 2:58 left in the third quarter. Morgan finished with 6 yards on three carries. Twin Falls grad Bryant Ward had one reception for 9 yards.

Durrell Oliver returned an interception for a 37-yard touchdown in the second quarter, and Marquese Smith had an 83-yard return after an interception, scoring 12 seconds before halftime and giving the Hornets (2-3, 2-1 Big Sky) a 31-10 lead.

Dailey rushed for 152 yards on 10 carries in the first half, including a 42-yard TD run in the first quarter and a 69-yarder that set up another Hornets score in the second quarter. Dailey also lost two of Sacramento State's three fumbles. Jason Smith threw a pair of TD passes for the Hornets.

For Idaho State (0-6, 0-3),

## BYU, UNLV GO LATE

The Mountain West Conference game between UNLV and No. 18 BYU was in progress at press time Saturday night. Visit [MagicValley.com/sports](http://MagicValley.com/sports) to find out if BYU won to stay in the BCS race, or if UNLV shocked the Cougars.

Russel Hill was 30 of 52 for 258 yards, two touchdowns and three interceptions. The Bengals have lost 22 of their last 23 games, and 19 in a row on the road.

## UTAH 24, COLORADO STATE 17

FORT COLLINS, Colo. — Terrance Cain threw an 8-yard touchdown pass to Eddie Wide with 3:40 left in the game as Utah overcame a 14-point deficit to defeat Colorado State 24-17 under freezing temperatures Saturday night.

Cain threw touchdown passes of 8 and 47 yards. Robert Johnson had a career high three interceptions, two that led to second-half touchdowns for Utah (4-1 overall, 1-0 Mountain West).

Eddie Wide caught a touchdown pass and added a rushing score.

The temperature was 25 degrees at kickoff.

Leonard Mason ran for a career-high 130 yards. Grant Stucker had a touchdown pass, but was intercepted three times.

Utah has beaten Colorado State (3-3, 0-2) four straight times. The Utes' last loss to the Rams came Oct. 8, 2005, in Fort Collins when Colorado made a goal-line stand to hold on to win 21-17.

## NEW MEXICO STATE 20, UTAH STATE 17

LAS CRUCES, N.M. — Kyle Hughes kicked a 28-yard field goal as time expired to lift New Mexico State to a 20-17 victory over Utah State on Saturday.

The Aggies (3-3, 1-1 WAC) scored 10 unanswered points after falling behind 17-10 when Diondre Borel hit Xavier Bowman for a 21-yard strike early in the third quarter for Utah State (1-4, 0-1).

Seth Smith plunged in from 1 yard out and Hughes booted an extra point to tie the game midway through the third quarter, setting the stage for the last-second field goal to win.

— The Associated Press



Texas' Marquise Goodwin (84) blocks a punt by Colorado's Matt DiLallo (14) during the third quarter of their game in Austin, Texas, Saturday.

AP photo

# No. 2 Texas sputters, rallies for 38-14 win

AUSTIN, Texas — Earl Thomas returned an interception 92 yards for a touchdown and Ben Wells recovered a blocked punt for another score to help Texas pull away from Colorado in the second half, 38-14.

Jordan Shipley returned a punt for a touchdown in the fourth quarter for the Longhorns (5-0, 2-0 Big 12), who can now look ahead to next weekend's showdown with No. 19 Oklahoma.

Colorado (1-4, 0-1) led 14-3 behind tough defense and two first-half touchdown passes by Cody Hawkins that quieted the home crowd and even drew some boos.

## NO. 3 ALABAMA 22, NO. 20 MISSISSIPPI 3

OXFORD, Miss. — Mark Ingram rushed for 172 yards and a touchdown and Alabama stuffed Mississippi.

Jevan Snead threw four interceptions for Ole Miss (3-2, 1-2 SEC), tying a career high, and the Crimson Tide (6-0, 4-0) scored after a blocked punt and a fumble recovery on a punt return.

Leigh Tiffin hit five short field goals, passing his father Van Tiffin on the Crimson Tide career list for third place in career scoring.

## NO. 12 IOWA 30, MICHIGAN 28

IOWA CITY, Iowa — Ricky Stanzi threw for 284 yards and two touchdowns and No. 12 Iowa survived yet another close call.

Michigan coach Rich Rodriguez pulled quarterback Tate Forcier in the fourth quarter. Fellow freshman Denard Robinson led a touchdown drive capped by his own 3-yard run, and Michigan got the ball back with 1:30 left. But Robinson was intercepted by Brett Greenwood with 46 seconds left, keeping the Hawkeyes (6-0, 2-0), the only unbeaten team left in the Big Ten.

Michigan (4-2, 0-2) had a season-worst five turnovers. Forcier was 8 of 19 for 94 yards and an interception.

## ARKANSAS 44, NO. 17 AUBURN 23

FAYETTEVILLE, Ark. — Michael Smith rushed for 145 yards and a touchdown, and Arkansas held off a late Auburn rally to hand the Tigers their first loss.

Arkansas jumped out to a 34-3 lead before Auburn (5-1, 2-1 Southeastern Conference) responded with a three-touchdown flurry toward the end of the third quarter. Dennis Johnson helped the Razorbacks (3-2, 1-2) regain momentum with a 70-yard kickoff return, and Arkansas shut out the Tigers in the fourth.

## NO. 5 VIRGINIA TECH 48, BOSTON COLLEGE 14

BLACKSBURG, Va. — Tyrod Taylor, Ryan Williams and Virginia Tech's swarming defense made sure the Hokies' regular season losing streak against Boston College ended.

Taylor threw two early touchdown passes, and Williams ran for 159 yards and a TD.

The victory ended a three-game regular season skid by Virginia Tech (5-1, 3-0 Atlantic Coast Conference) against Boston College (4-2, 2-2).

At halftime, Virginia Tech had 293 yards, and the Eagles had 3.

## NO. 9 OHIO STATE 31, WISCONSIN 13

COLUMBUS, Ohio — Kurt Coleman and Jermale Hines returned interceptions for touchdowns and Ray Small brought a kickoff back 96 yards, dealing the self-destructive Badgers their first loss of the season.

Coleman, playing his first game since a Big Ten-mandated suspension for a late hit, was the only person near Scott Tolzien's pass in the first quarter and returned it 89 yards. After Wisconsin (5-1, 2-1 Big Ten) made it 14-10 early in the third quarter, the Buckeyes (5-1, 3-0) padded their lead when Hines tipped a pass, pulled it in and followed a glut of blockers on a 32-yard return.

## NO. 10 TCU 20, AIR FORCE 17

AIR FORCE ACADEMY, Colo. — Andy Dalton and TCU slid their way through the icy mist, the freezing cold and the Air Force defense to keep their BCS hopes alive with a dicey win over the Falcons.

With temperatures in the teens and a frozen mist and drizzle falling, Dalton threw for 198 yards, receiver Jeremy Kerley had a rushing touchdown and a 52-yard kickoff return and the Horned

Frogs (5-0, 1-0 Mountain West) finished with 393 yards, all but 22 of them in the first three quarters.

But TCU had to fight for four quarters for this win, in large thanks to three turnovers, including two after driving inside the Air Force 10.

## NO. 11 MIAMI 48, FLORIDA A&M 16

MIAMI — Already trailing the Miami Hurricanes by three touchdowns, Florida A&M tried lining up on defense with 13 players.

That didn't work either.

The referee threw a flag and sent two Rattlers to the sideline, and four plays later the Hurricanes scored another touchdown en route to a victory.

Jacory Harris led No. 11 Miami to 31 points playing only the first half, and the Hurricanes (4-1) made the most of the mismatch facing an unranked team for the first time this season. Florida A&M (4-1) lost to Miami for the seventh time in a row.

## NO. 13 OREGON 24, UCLA 10

PASADENA, Calif. — Kenjon Barner returned the second-half kickoff for a 100-yard touchdown, and Talmadge Jackson returned an interception 32 yards for another score just 13 seconds later.

Jeff Maehl took a short reception 20 yards for the Ducks' third touchdown in less than four minutes during a spectacular opening to the second half of their fifth straight win.

Oregon's big plays on special teams and defense covered for an offense that was shut out in the first half, struggling without injured quarterback Jeremiah Masoli.

## NO. 14 PENN STATE 52, EASTERN ILLINOIS 3

STATE COLLEGE, Pa. — Daryll Clark threw for three touchdowns and ran for another, Jared Odrick led a menacing defense with two sacks and linebacker Navorro Bowman returned a fumble 91 yards for a touchdown in the Nittany Lions' most complete performance of the season against lower-division Eastern Illinois.

## NO. 15 OKLAHOMA STATE 36, TEXAS A&M 31

COLLEGE STATION, Texas — Zac Robinson threw two touchdown passes and Oklahoma State overcame the absence of its top two playmakers.

The Cowboys (4-1, 1-0 Big 12) played without All-America receiver Dez Bryant, who was ruled ineligible by the school this week for lying to the NCAA about contact he made with a former NFL player. Oklahoma State was also missing Kendall Hunter, the Big 12's leading rusher in 2008, who sat out with an ankle injury.

## NO. 16 KANSAS 41, IOWA STATE 36

LAWRENCE, Kan. — Todd Reesing threw for 442 yards and four touchdowns and Kerry Meier set two school receiving records in a game filled with big plays and missed extra points.

Iowa State's Austen Arnaud, scrambling on fourth-and-9, had Darius Darks in the open in the end zone but overthrew him with a minute left and the Jayhawks (5-0, 1-0 in the Big 12) held on.

## NO. 19 OKLAHOMA 33, BAYLOR 7

NORMAN, Okla. — Heisman Trophy winner Sam Bradford threw for 389 yards and a touchdown in his return from a shoulder injury and Chris Brown had two short scoring runs.

Bradford broke former Heisman runner-up Josh Heupel's school record with the 14th game of his career with at least 300 yards passing, and he could have had even bigger numbers if the Sooners' receivers didn't have trouble handling his passes.

## NO. 25 SOUTH CAROLINA 28, KENTUCKY 26

COLUMBIA, S.C. — Stephen Garcia threw for three touchdowns and ran for another and South Carolina stopped a potential tying two-point conversion in the fourth quarter, keeping coach Steve Spurrier a perfect 17-0 against the Wildcats.

The Gamecocks (5-1, 2-1 SEC) won their 10th straight over Kentucky (2-3, 0-3).

Wildcats quarterback Mike Hartline left the game with a sprained left knee early in the third quarter after leading Kentucky to a 17-14 halftime lead.

— The Associated Press

## College scores

### FAR WEST

Arizona St. 27, Washington St. 14  
Idaho 29, San Jose St. 25  
Montana 35, Cal Poly 23  
N. Arizona 23, Montana St. 10  
New Mexico St. 20, Utah St. 17  
Oregon 24, UCLA 10  
Oregon St. 38, Stanford 28  
Portland St. 23, N. Colorado 18  
Sacramento St. 38, Idaho St. 17  
TCU 20, Air Force 17  
Utah 24, Colorado St. 17  
Weber St. 31, E. Washington 13  
Wyoming 37, New Mexico 13

### MIDWEST

Bowling Green 36, Kent St. 35  
Cent. Michigan 56, E. Michigan 8  
Iowa 30, Michigan 28  
Kansas 41, Iowa St. 36  
Michigan St. 24, Illinois 14  
Minnesota 35, Purdue 20  
Northwestern 16, Miami (Ohio) 6

Ohio 19, Akron 7  
Ohio St. 31, Wisconsin 13  
W. Michigan 56, Toledo 28

### SOUTHWEST

Arkansas 44, Auburn 23  
Navy 63, Rice 14  
Oklahoma 33, Baylor 7  
Oklahoma St. 36, Texas A&M 31  
SMU 28, East Carolina 21  
Texas 38, Colorado 14  
Texas Tech 66, Kansas St. 14

### SOUTH

Alabama 22, Mississippi 3  
Duke 49, N.C. State 28

Fla. International 37, W. Kentucky 20  
Florida 13, LSU 3  
Houston 31, Mississippi St. 24  
Louisiana-Lafayette 38, North Texas 34  
Louisville 25, Southern Miss. 23  
Marshall 31, Tulane 10  
Memphis 35, UTEP 20  
Miami 48, Florida A&M 16  
North Carolina 42, Georgia Southern 12  
South Carolina 28, Kentucky 26  
Tennessee 45, Georgia 19  
Virginia 47, Indiana 7  
Virginia Tech 48, Boston College 14  
Wake Forest 42, Maryland 32

### EAST

Army 16, Vanderbilt 13, OT  
Buffalo 40, Gardner-Webb 3  
Penn St. 52, E. Illinois 3  
Pittsburgh 24, Connecticut 21  
Rutgers 42, Texas Southern 0  
Temple 24, Ball St. 19  
West Virginia 34, Syracuse 13

## Florida

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them waited around for him to finish an interview so they could shake his hand at midfield.

The LSU offense looked all too familiar as well. The Tigers came in ranked last in the SEC in total offense and managed only 162 yards. They never even threatened to score in the second half.

The Tebow mystery — would he play or sit for the first time in his college career — raised the drama for a game that hardly needed a subplot to energize the LSU fans. The last time two teams so highly ranked played at Tiger Stadium was 1959, when No. 1 LSU played No. 3 Mississippi.

Tebow took a double-shot to the head — front and back — against Kentucky two weeks ago. He spent the night in a Lexington hospital. During part of the Gators' week off, he was not even permitted to watch TV.

He returned to practice on Tuesday, but Florida made it clear it would take all the time it had to decide whether their star would play.

"You know Tim," coach Urban Meyer said. "It was, 'Let me play. Let me play.' Nonstop."

Tebow was cleared to play before he arrived at Tiger Stadium.

He was the last Gator off the team bus, drawing wild cheers from Florida fans and the loudest "Tiger Bait" taunts from the LSU fans.

He was the last Florida player to jog on the field for pregame warmups. He chugged out of the tunnel to cheers from the Florida fans and went down a line of teammates in the end zone, doling out high-fives and hand slaps. Anybody who watched him play catch, run pass patterns and dart up, down and across the field could tell that he was ready to go.

End of drama. Or maybe not?

About 30 minutes before kickoff, the teams briefly squared off at midfield. The Gators were done with their pregame warmups and gathered at the Eye of the Tiger for



Florida running back Jeffery Demps (2) is stopped by LSU linebacker Harry Coleman (24) in the first half of their game in Baton Rouge, La., Saturday.

one last team jump around before heading back to the locker room.

As the crowd boomed, the Tigers decided to defend their turf, with most of the team sprinting toward midfield.

Officials quickly stepped in and no contact appeared to be made between the teams. After a quick encounter, each squad ran off the field in opposite directions to its respective tunnel.

When Tebow made his first game appearance, the Gators were pinned at their own 7. The crowd, almost all decked out in gold, blared.

Tebow's first play was a simple handoff and he didn't need to do much more than that to lead the Gators to a 28-yard field goal by Caleb Sturgis, and a 3-0 lead.

Sturgis added a 32-yarder in the fourth quarter and also missed a 20-yarder in the third.

Tebow took one solid hit on the first drive, getting rid of a pass just before blitzing defensive back Patrick Paterson put a shoulder in Tebow's midsection. He connected with Aaron Hernandez for an 8-yard gain on the play.

He carried the ball twice on the 82-yard drive, once on a

keeper into the line and once scrambling away from pressure, and gained no yards.

If there was any possible sign that Florida might be protecting Tebow, it came on a fourth-and-2 play at the LSU 29 in the second quarter. The 245-pound Tebow is Florida's short-yardage specialist, but instead of having him bull into the line of scrimmage, he took a jab step forward then tossed to Brandon James on an end around that was stopped for a loss.

Was Meyer trying to keep Tebow under wraps?

Well, if he was, it didn't last.

On Florida's next possession, Tebow scrambled away from a rush and finished off his 8-yard run by lowering a shoulder into a defender. Then he stormed up the middle on an option keeper to covert a third-and-3.

On the next play, Tebow looked left, then fired a pass down the right side to Riley Cooper in the end zone for a 24-yard touchdown. Tebow clapped his hands and jumped into the arms of a teammate to celebrate Florida taking a 10-3 lead with 50 seconds left in the half.

All was well with Tebow and for the Gators.

## NFL WEEK 5

## Colts look to stay unbeaten

Three-time league MVP Peyton Manning, off to one of the best starts he's had in a legendary 12-year career, will try to exploit the Titans' league-worst pass defense. This could be Tennessee's last chance to turn their year around.

**OPEN DATES:** Chicago, Green Bay, New Orleans, San Diego



**Washington at Carolina**  
(2-2) (0-3)

The Redskins struggled to beat Tampa Bay and St. Louis at home, while the Panthers haven't won anywhere.



**Tampa Bay at Philadelphia**  
(0-4) (2-1)

More of the good versus the bad/ugly. Even worse for Bucs. Philly comes off a bye week that allowed QB Donovan McNabb to heal.



**New England at Denver**  
(3-1) (4-0)

Denver's defense has been a revelation. Now comes the best trial yet: Tom Brady, Randy Moss, Wes Welker and company.



**Pittsburgh at Detroit**  
(2-2) (1-3)

In San Diego, the Steelers staggered in the second half for the fourth straight time. The Lions might be without QB Matthew Stafford (knee).



**Minnesota at St. Louis**  
(4-0) (0-4)

Only Detroit in the NFC has allowed more points than the 108 yielded by the Rams. Short of a total collapse, does anyone expect Vikings to lose?



**Jacksonville at Seattle**  
(2-2) (1-3)

QB Matt Hasselbeck (broken rib) might be available against the Jaguars, who have won two straight despite a mediocre defense.



**Cincinnati at Baltimore**  
(3-1) (3-1)

Bengals have gone down to final seconds in all four games. Ravens blew a perfect record with turnovers and dropped passes against Pats last week.



**Dallas at Kansas City**  
(2-2) (0-4)

The Chiefs have been predictably bad week in and week out. The Cowboys have been totally unpredictable every week.



**Atlanta at San Francisco**  
(2-1) (3-1)

A road win would be a good starting point in a rough four-week stretch for Atlanta. Niners only loss was a Brett Favre TD with 2 seconds in Week 3.



**Indianapolis at Tennessee**  
(4-0) (0-4)

The Titans' D not as stout as last year and the rushing attack is inconsistent. Peyton Manning is completing a career-high 71 percent of his passes.



**Cleveland at Buffalo**  
(0-4) (1-3)

A Great Lakes matchup between two not-great teams. Browns dealt away troublesome WR Braylon Edwards to Jets this week.



**Oakland at N.Y. Giants**  
(1-3) (4-0)

Even if Eli Manning (heel) doesn't start, Giants should be safe. They can simply run the ball all day long. Raiders have league's worst offense.



**Houston at Arizona**  
(2-2) (1-2)

If Arizona is going to defend NFC West title — never mind conference championship — they must win games like this. Texans inconsistent all year.



**N.Y. Jets at Miami**  
(3-1) (1-3)

Whichever team runs the ball better figures to be in control. Miami comes off its first victory, dismantling Buffalo.

AP

## NFL PICKS

## Ravens to end run of surging Bengals

By Barry Wilner  
Associated Press writer

Even in defeat at New England, the Baltimore Ravens were impressive. They showed lots of moxie in staying close to the Patriots despite turnovers and overall carelessness.

That game very well could be an anomaly for what has become one of the most balanced teams in the league. In last year's playoffs and certainly in the first month of this season, the Ravens have matured exponentially on offense and remained solid on defense.

Sure, they struggled against Tom Brady, Randy Moss and company at times last weekend, but who doesn't, particularly in Foxborough? With any chance at a comeback victory depending on getting downright stingy on defense, though, the Ravens performed well enough.

And if Mark Clayton doesn't shy away from getting hit on a fourth-down pass, who knows?

"When your offense has 70 plays, or your offense keeps the ball for eight minutes on a drive, it's great," Ravens defensive end Trevor Pryce said. "Your best defense is the one sitting on the sideline. So, we don't mind at all."

Now comes Cincinnati, soaring after three straight last-minute wins, including an overtime thriller against Cleveland. (Did we put thriller in the same sentence as the Bengals and Browns?) The Bengals are 9-point underdogs at Baltimore.

"We've got to quit making it hard on ourselves," guard Bobbie Williams said. "We've got to stop doing that."

The Ravens, angry after the loss in New England, will put an end to those close calls.

RAVENS, 26-13

**Oakland (plus 15) at N.Y. Giants**

Banged-up Giants get another pushover as they try to get healthy before the real competition shows up.

BEST BET: GIANTS 30-7

**Jacksonville (off) at Seattle**

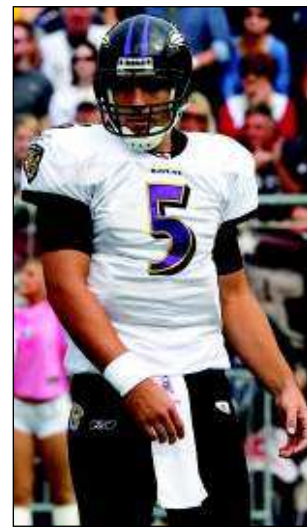
With Matt Hasselbeck uncertain to play, no line here. With or without the Seahawks QB, we like the revitalized Jaguars.

JAGUARS, 17-13

**Minnesota (minus 10) at St. Louis**

No hype, no hoopla, just a total mismatch. Even if the Vikings are a bit flat, they can handle Rams.

VIKINGS, 23-10



AP photo

**Baltimore Ravens quarterback Joe Flacco leads his team against the Cincinnati Bengals today.**

**Dallas (minus 9) at Kansas City**  
Chiefs show up at a good time for the inconsistent and vulnerable Cowboys.

COWBOYS, 24-7

**Washington (plus 5½) at Carolina**

If the Panthers can't get off the schneid this week, there's no hope for them.

PANTHERS, 17-10

**Tampa Bay (plus 14) at Philadelphia**

Fresh from a bye, with Donovan McNabb a possible starter, Eagles should soar.

EAGLES, 31-7

**Cleveland (plus 6) at Buffalo**

Wouldn't T.O. fit better in Cleveland's locker room these days?

BILLS, 17-10

**Pittsburgh (minus 12) at Detroit**

Steelers hope to have Troy Polamalu back. They won't need him this week.

STEELERS, 30-14

**Atlanta (pick-em) at San Francisco**

Niners are 2 seconds from being 4-0, but Falcons match up well and are rested after a bye.

FALCONS, 24-21

**New England (minus 3½) at Denver**

The mentor (Bill B) against the student (Josh McD). Time for Denver's nice run to end.

PATRIOTS, 20-14

**Indianapolis (minus 3) at Tennessee**

From 10-0 in 2008, Titans could be halfway to 0-10 after this one. Peyton Manning playing as well as ever.

COLTS, 27-17

**N.Y. Jets (minus 2½) at Miami (Monday night)**

Other than Mark Sanchez, Jets performed well at New Orleans. Can Dolphins unnerve him, too?

JETS, 21-20

**RECORD:**

Versus spread, 3-10 (27-32-1 season); Straight up, 11-3 (46-16 season)

Best Bet: 1-3

Upset Special: 3-1

## Peyton and Colts: Making sweet music

By Barry Wilner  
Associated Press writer

With apologies to Brooks and Dunn, when Peyton Manning plays something country in Music City, Titans fans aren't likely to enjoy the tune. The way the three-time league MVP is performing — and the way the Titans are reeling — the matchup with the Colts could be a prime time rout.

NBC must have pinpointed Sunday night's meeting as one of the most attractive on its schedule. Then the Titans (0-4) went into such a serious dive that no matter how much spin the network puts on its telecast, viewers could be searching for something more entertaining by halftime.

Then again, they might stick around to see if Manning can continue his phenomenal passing pace. Instead of being saddled by an inexperienced receiving crew, aside from Reggie Wayne and Dallas Clark, Manning has overseen a rapid maturation process for the likes of Pierre Garcon, Austin Collie and running back Donald Brown. In last week's win over Seattle that boosted Indianapolis to 4-0, four receivers — Clark, Wayne, Collie and Joseph Addai — had at least six receptions.

"Our guys are doing a great job of catching that ball and getting yards after the catch," Manning said. "I'd say as a group, we might be doing that as well as we've done."

Manning has guided Indy to 13 straight regular-season victories. He has thrown for at least 300 yards in all four games this season and will join Kurt Warner and Steve Young as the only quarterbacks with five straight if he does it in Nashville.

He also leads the league with a 114.5 passer rating, which would project to the second best of his career behind the



AP photo

Indianapolis Colts head coach Jim Caldwell, middle, listens as quarterback Peyton Manning, left, and Tom Moore talk during the fourth quarter in Indianapolis, Oct. 4.

"Our guys are doing a great job of catching that ball and getting yards after the catch. I'd say as a group, we might be doing that as well as we've done."

— Colts quarterback Peyton Manning

2004 season when Manning set a league mark with 49 TD passes (since broken by Tom Brady) and finished with a 121.1 rating. Manning has thrown nine touchdowns and three interceptions, and is completing 70.8 percent of his throws for a superb average gain of 9.75 yards.

"The Colts are clearly playing really, really good football right now," Titans coach Jeff Fisher said. "I think Peyton has been the best I've seen him in the last few years."

And the Titans are about the worst he has seen them in a while. A loss to Indianapolis would put a team that won its first 10 games a year ago at 0-5.

"They'll find a way out of this, and that's all we can do," Fisher said. "I know I've said this before, but you come back and you work and you try to find a way to win the next game and keep your focus on improving."

Also Sunday, it's New England at Denver; Atlanta at San Francisco; Houston at Arizona; Indianapolis at Tennessee; Pittsburgh at Detroit; Minnesota at St. Louis; Dallas at Kansas City; Washington at Carolina; Tampa Bay at Philadelphia; Oakland at the New York Giants; Cleveland at Buffalo; and Jacksonville at Seattle.

The New York Jets visit Miami on Monday night.

## Padilla, Dodgers beat Cardinals 5-1 for sweep

ST. LOUIS — Unemployed in August, Vicente Padilla kept the Los Angeles Dodgers going in October.

The second-chance pitcher shut down Albert Pujols and the St. Louis Cardinals, putting the Dodgers back in the National League championship series with a 5-1 victory on Saturday night.

Andre Ethier missed the cycle by a single, Manny Ramirez had three hits and two RBIs and the Dodgers didn't need help this time from another St. Louis fielding blunder to sweep their division series opponent for a second straight season.

Pujols and Matt Holliday were a combined 2 for 8 with a late RBI for the Cardinals, who never recharged after becoming the first National League team to clinch a division title. St. Louis was 1-9 after wrapping up the NL Central, and was swept for the first time in the division series or NLCS play and only for the third time overall in the postseason.

Closer Jonathan Broxton struck out Rick Ankiel for the last out and pumped his fist as the Dodgers ran out to the mound to celebrate becoming the first team to advance to the championship series. They await the winner of the Philadelphia-Colorado series that is even at a game apiece. The Phillies beat Los



AP photo

Members of the Los Angeles Dodgers celebrate after completing a three-game sweep of the St. Louis Cardinals by winning Game 3 of their National League Division Series in St. Louis on Saturday.

Angeles in the NLCS last season in five games.

Padilla, designated for assignment by the Rangers in early August, was 4-0 the final month with the Dodgers before shutting down the Cardinals on four hits over seven innings in his first career postseason appearance. After escaping a bases-loaded jam in the first inning he was dominant, retiring 19 of 21 hitters against a team he last faced in 2003.

The Dodgers were already up 3-0 in the third inning when starter Joel Pineiro dropped Pujols' simple toss at first for an error on James Loney's

grounder for the lifeless Cardinals beset by bad play this series.

Holliday, who dropped a fly ball for what would have been the final out of Game 2, got a standing ovation from a sellout crowd of 47,296 before his first at-bat with two men on and one out in the first. Then he tapped out to the mound. Ramirez, only 1 for 8 the first two games amid suggestions by manager Joe Torre that he was trying too hard, gave the Dodgers the early lead with a two-out RBI double in the first.

Ethier, who had only one homer in the last 12 games of the regular season, jumped on a 3-1 pitch for a two-run shot that made it 3-0 in the third. It was his second homer of the series.

**GAME 3 IN DENVER POSTPONED; MARTINEZ OUT**

DENVER — The cold and snow in Colorado scrapped plans for Pedro Martinez's first postseason start in five years. Game 3 of the Philadelphia-Colorado playoff series was postponed a day because of weather Saturday better suited for cross-country skiing. About an hour before the scheduled start it was 24 degrees.

The delay prompted a pitching switch by the Phillies, with left-hander J.A. Happ going to the mound today instead of the 37-year-old Martinez.

— The Associated Press

## Red Sox return home for must-win game vs. Angels

BOSTON (AP) — The Boston Red Sox had history on their side going into their AL division series with the Los Angeles Angels.

Now they need hits.

The four the Red Sox managed in each of their two losses probably won't be enough in Game 3 today. And they'll probably need more than one run — their total in those two games — to avoid a sweep.

The passionate fans at Fenway Park will shout for their players but can't swing the bats for them. The team with five 20-home run hitters faces two options: start hitting or start packing their bags.

"I don't think the panic button or any more undue pressure is really going to be that beneficial," said Jason Bay, who hit 36 homers this

season but has just one hit in the postseason. "Guys know where we're at."

Boston is in a much different place than it was in its last three division series against the Angels — sweeps in 2004 and 2007 when the Red Sox won two World Series titles and a 3-1 series win last year.

Now the Angels have a chance for the first postseason sweep in team history.

"We're not concerned with any of that," manager Mike Scioscia said. "No one has a handle on a series until you win that third game and you clinch it."

The Red Sox bounced back from another two-game deficit last year when they forced a seventh game after losing three of the first four to the Tampa Bay Rays in the AL championship series.

# Your Scores

## BOWLING

### SLAKE RIVER BOWL, BURLEY MONDAY MARAUDERS

**SERIES:** Diane Strolberg 500, Lori Parish 483, Pat Hicks 450.

**GAMES:** Lori Parish 202, Diane Strolberg 185, Pat Hicks 165.

### LADIES TRIOS

**SERIES:** Tiffany Hager 256, Tara Podunovich 219, Anna Rose 211.

### MEN'S CLASSIC TRIO

**SERIES:** Brad Holm 942, Bob Bywater 830, Marty Holland 780.

**GAMES:** Brad Holm 268, Wally Studer 236, Marty Holland 233.

### TUESDAY MIXED

**MEN'S SERIES:** Bob Bywater 628, Shon Bywater 589, Shane Herring 549.

**MEN'S GAMES:** Bob Bywater 226, Bill Murphy 223, Shane Herring 215.

**LADIES SERIES:** Tiffanay Hager 604, Stacy Hieb 533, Georgia Schultz 468.

**LADIES GAMES:** Tiffanay Hager 228, Stacy Hieb 211, Georgia Schultz 176.

### RAILROADERS

**SERIES:** Tammy Rains 580, Theresa Knowlton 540, Kym Son 527.

**GAMES:** Tammy Rains 215, Theresa Knowlton 199, Kym Son 196.

### TUESDAY TEENS

**BOYS' SERIES:** Andrew Morgan 593, Brody Albertson 487, Cameron Black 348.

**BOYS' GAMES:** Andrew Morgan 233, Brody Albertson 206, Cameron Black 87.

**GIRLS' SERIES:** Bridget Albertson 524, Rachel Watson 299.

**GIRLS' GAMES:** Bridget Albertson 215, Rachel Watson 120.

### WEDNESDAY MIXED

**MEN'S SERIES:** Tyson Hirsch 726, Justin Studer 647, Jordan Parish 573.

**MEN'S GAMES:** Tyson Hirsch 267, Justin Studer 246, Jordan Parish 207.

**LADIES SERIES:** Annette Hirsch 527, Susan Fowler 400, Gayle Erekson 381.

**LADIES GAMES:** Annette Hirsch 196, Susan Fowler 152, Bobbi Crow 381.

### THURS. MORN. DBLS.

**SERIES:** Kym Son 534, Derry Smith 479, Karen Dansie 472.

**GAMES:** Kym Son 213, Karen Dansie 295, Derry Smith 185.

### HOUSEWIVES

**SERIES:** Missy Stuart 507, Bonnie McClellan 466, Marty Smith 419.

**GAMES:** Missy Bonnie McClellan 193, Missy Stuart 186, Louise Wilkinson 166.

### MAJOR

**SERIES:** Bob Bywater 765, Darrin Carter 695, Jordan Parish 688.

**GAMES:** Bob Bywater 279, Tyson Hirsch 278, Jordan Parish 277.

### PINHEADS

**BOYS' SERIES:** Andrew Morgan 501, Brody Albertson 500, Teagor Uscola 237.

**BOYS' GAMES:** Andrew Morgan 273, Brody Albertson 171, Teagor Uscola 48.

**GIRLS' SERIES:** Bridget Albertson 555, Kiara Hieb 411, Bethany Adams 376.

**GIRLS' GAMES:** Bridget Albertson 199, Bethany Adams 180, Cheyenne Powers 159.

### MAGIC BOWL, TWIN FALLS SUN ROLLERS

**MEN'S SERIES:** Trevor Wakley 654, RD Adema 619, Kyle Mason 616, Stan Visser 610.

**MEN'S GAMES:** Stan Visser 245, Trevor Wakley 236, RD Adema 226, Vance Mason 226.

**LADIES SERIES:** Margie Adema 616, Shanda Pickett 534, Sandy Kelly 527, Suzi Leon 516.

**LADIES GAMES:** Margie Adema 243, Shanda Pickett 211, Stephanie Debaeke 204, Suzi Leon 200.

### COMMERCIAL

**SERIES:** Zach Black 732, Tad Capurro 644, Kyle Mason 642, Tony Brass 626.

**GAMES:** Kyle Mason 289, Zach Black 258, Tad Capurro 248, Dale Black 245.

### MASON

**SERIES:** Georgia Randall 538, Mary Murray 527, Dot Van Hook 522, Glenda Barrutia 486.

**GAMES:** Mary Murray 210, Glenda Barrutia 199, Georgia Randall 197, Dot Van Hook 191.

### VALLEY

**SERIES:** Cobey Magee 703, Leon Klimes 663, Mike Tackett 650, RD Adema 646.

**GAMES:** Cobey Magee 267, Mike Tackett 255, Tony Brass 246, Leon Klimes 243.

### THURS. MIXED

**MEN'S SERIES:** Joe McClure 659, Kai Mathews 583, Jared Ashmead 546, Dale Rhyne 517.

**MEN'S GAMES:** Joe McClure 235, Charles Lewis 221, Kai Mathews 202, Jared Ashmead 198.

**LADIES SERIES:** Edie Barkley 510, Nancy Lewis 476, Kathy McClure 472, Cheryl Kerr 440.

**LADIES GAMES:** Edie Barkley 189, Kathy McClure 178, Elara Smith 165, Cheryl Kerr 164.

### FIFTY PLUS

**MEN'S SERIES:** Jim Brawley 627, Roy Couch 622, Earl McCoy 587, Clayne Williams 569.

**MEN'S GAMES:** Roy Couch 255, Jim Brawley 247, Clayne Williams 224, Earl McCoy 222.

**LADIES SERIES:** Dot Van Hook 530, Marie Bruce 517, Anna Moore 484, Belva Coval 474.

**LADIES GAMES:** Marie Bruce 214, Joan Leis 187, Dot Van Hook 186, Belva Coval 182.

### EARLY FRI. MIXED

**MEN'S SERIES:** Norm Hatke 641, Todd Dickenson 595, Tad Capurro 587, Darwin Dudley 585.

**MEN'S GAMES:** Norm Hatke 278, Joe Lamana 245, Tad Capurro 234, Todd Dickenson 232.

**LADIES SERIES:** Julie Shaffer 586, Krista Wakley 552, Bobbie Thompsen 526, Tawnia Bryant 522.

**LADIES GAMES:** Julie Shaffer 220, Bobbie Thompson 210, Kathy McClure 201, Krista Wakley 201.

### SUNSET BOWL, BUHL SUNSET SENIORS

**MEN'S SERIES:** John Kodesh 605, Charlie Hill 543, Don Huff 531, Gene Schroeder 522.

**MEN'S GAMES:** John Kodesh 267, Gene Schroeder 214, Ralph Dubois 204, Charlie Hill 196.

**LADIES SERIES:** Verna Kodesh 457, Dixie Schroeder 427, Cathe Woods 424, Carol Ruhter 408.

**LADIES GAMES:** Verna Kodesh 159, Carol Ruhter 156, Dixie Schoreder 148, Cathe Woods 146.

### SPARE PAIRS

**MEN'S SERIES:** Curt Quaintance 727, TC Tomlinson 696, Harvey McCoy 683, Mitch Olsen 643.

**MEN'S GAMES:** Curt Quaintance 258, TC Tomlinson 239, Harvey McCoy 236, Cliff Rediker 233.

**LADIES SERIES:** Darla McCallister 551, Lois Tomlinson 524, Kay Miller 513, Suzanne McCoy 493.

**LADIES GAMES:** Kay Miller 229, Lois Tomlinson 205, Darla McCallister 194, Suzanne McCoy 188.

### LUCKY STRIKERS

**SERIES:** Mandi Olson 532, Cheryl Russell 512, Lois Tomlinson 487, Dorothy Moon 483.

**GAMES:** Mandi Olson 192, Cheryl Russell 187, Michelle Olsen 183, Carma Sobotka 178.

### PINBUSTERS

**SERIES:** Pat Russell 701, Dee Maier 691, Keith Simmons 669, Bob Wagner 661.

**GAMES:** Keith Simmons 257, Bob Wagner 257, Harvey McCoy 255, Dustin McCallister 247, Pat Russell 247.

### STARLITE

**MEN'S SERIES:** Dee Maier 641, Dirk McCallister 612, Matt Olson 604, Riggins Maier 568.

**MEN'S GAMES:** Dee Maier 259, Matt Olson 223, Dirk McCallister 216, Mike Larsen 209.

**LADIES SERIES:** Mandi Olson 594, Nita Maier 548, Teresa Boehm 506, Jeanne Hicks 480.

**LADIES GAMES:** Ashlee Rackham 224, Mandi Olson 220, Nita Maier 192, Teresa Boehm 182.

### BOWLADROME, TWIN FALLS SUN. EARLY MIXED

**MEN'S SERIES:** Lin Gowan 568, Randy Sunde 480, Robert Dyer 468, Joe Harkins 447.

**MEN'S GAMES:** Randy Sunde 202, Lin Gowan 200, Robert Dyer 169, Joe Harkins 163.

**LADIES SERIES:** Robyn Rosson 380, Dana Gowan 365, Dana Stewart 357, Ludy Harkins 346.

**LADIES GAMES:** Robyn Rosson 151, Dana Stewart 134, Dana Gowan 130, Ludy Harkins 129.

### MON. MIXED FOLLIES

**MEN'S SERIES:** Steve Allison 671, Rick Morrow 593, Rick Ruhter 562.

**MEN'S GAMES:** Steve Allison 264, Doug Sutherland 245, Rick Morrow 225, Rocky Bennett 216.

**LADIES SERIES:** Sylvia Inman 591, Michele Seckel 546, Georgia Randall 524, Gail Cederlund 508.

**LADIES GAMES:** Sylvia Inman 224, Gail Cederlund 212, Sylvia Wood 197, Georgia Randall 192.

### SH-BOOM

**MEN'S SERIES:** Kelly Jeroue 690, Nick Parsons 644, Blake Kondracki 614, Clint Koyle 595.

**MEN'S GAMES:** Kelly Jeroue 258, Nick Parsons 232, Blake Kondracki 226, Clint Koyle 215.

**LADIES SERIES:** Michelle Braughman 554, Jerri Greene 518, Barbara Reynolds 499, Diana Brady 495.

**LADIES GAMES:** Jerri Greene 209, Stacey Lanier 200, Michelle Braughman 198, Krislyn Canary 182.

### MID MORN. MIXED

**MEN'S SERIES:** Myron Schroeder 658, Blaine McCallister 627, Bob Shalfant 579, Eddie Chappell 573.

**MEN'S GAMES:** Blaine Ross 234,

Blaine McCallister 226, Tom Smith 225, Myron Schoreder 224.

**LADIES SERIES:** Vicki Kiesig 559, Margie Howard 494, Kimberlie Lee 480, Bonnie Draper 478.

**LADIES GAMES:** Vicki Kiesig 212, Bonnie Draper 192, Kimberlie 190, Kim Leazer 188.

### TUES. A.M. TRIOS

**SERIES:** Gail McAllister 569, Jessie Biggerstaff 533, Barbara Pidgeon 508, Charm Petersen 506.

**GAMES:** Charm Petersen 222, Gail McAllister 214, Barbara Pidgeon 191, Jean McGuire 183.

### LATECOMERS

**SERIES:** Susan Kepner 607, Kristy Rodriguez 571, Lisa Allen 536, Heather Rackham 520.

**GAMES:** Kristy Rodriguez 227, Susan Kepner 222, Ann Brewer 218, Lisa Allen 200.

### TUES. MAJORS

**BOYS' SERIES:** Anthony Vest 674, Steven Maher 581, Tyler Black 557, Joe Campbell 556.

**BOYS' GAMES:** Anthony Vest 279, Tyler Black 235, Steven Maher 212, Joe Campbell 201.

**GIRLS' SERIES:** Koti Jo Moses 454, Brooke Newlan 405, Megan McAllister 394, Miranda Curtis 379.

**GIRLS' GAMES:** Koti Jo Moses 169, Brooke Newlan 165, Megan McAllister 158, Paige Maher 142.

### CONSOLIDATED

**SERIES:** Kevin Coggins 721, Cobey Magee 696, Jon Powlus 667, Tony Everts 662.

**GAMES:** Cobey Magee 267, Ian DeVries 257, Kevin Coggins 256, Nick Parsons 256, Jon Powlus 256.

### M.V. SENIORS

**MEN'S SERIES:** Jack Clifford 576, Myron Schroeder 544, Darryl Cameron 529, Bob Chalfant 503.

**MEN'S GAMES:** Myron Schroeder 214, Jack Clifford 203, Tom Draper 192, Darryl Cameron 191.

**LADIES SERIES:** Belva Coval 511, Barbara Frith 490, Betty Taylor 476, Jean McGuire 457.

**LADIES GAMES:** Betty Taylor 195, Belva Coval 190, Barbara Frith 187, Shirley Kunsman 178.

### LADIES CLASSIC

**SERIES:** Kay Puschel 556, Gail Cederlund 526, Georgia Randall 521, Dani Bruns 510, Barb Reynolds 510.

**GAMES:** Gail Cederlund 195, Barb Reynolds 194, Kay Puschel 192, Diana Brady 186.

### SUNSET

**SERIES:** Stephanie Evans 557, Kristy Rodriguez 550, Heather Rackham 534, Leanna Magee 514.

**GAMES:** Charm Petersen 219, Karla Williams 200, Kristy Rodriguez 197, Stephanie Evans 195.

### MIXED BAR NUTS

**MEN'S SERIES:** Jim Shirley 478, Jim Howard 431, Casey Walsh 338.

**MEN'S GAMES:** Jim Shirley 192, Jim Howard 183, Casey Walsh 123.

**LADIES SERIES:** Georgia Johnson 457, Beverly O'Connor 439, Anjie Howard 403, Kym Daigh 401.

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**LADIES SERIES:** Jean McGuire 495, Gail McAllister 486, Jeanne Miller 481, Dawn Kulm 478.

**LADIES GAMES:** Gail McAllister 293, Jean McGuire 178, Bernie Smith 178, Jeanne Miller 170, Dawn Kulm 170.

### MOONSHINERS

**SERIES:** Deanna Heil 485, Jackie Boyd 472, Janina Webb 390, Beth Mason 389.

**GAMES:** Jackie Boyd 192, Deanna Heil 173, Flame Klundt 147, Hilarie Smith 143.

### MOOSE

**SERIES:** Cobey Magee 737, Tony Brass 706, Jim Brawley 649, Tony Cowan 640.

**GAMES:** Jim Brawley 259, Cobey Magee 255, Ron Salsar 246, Tony Brass 246.

### GIANTS

**BOYS' SERIES:** Matt Thrall 523, Joe Campbell 506, Tom Upchurch 397, Jayson Makay 394.

**BOYS' GAMES:** Matt Thrall 191, Joe Campbell 188, Jayson Makay 181, Tom Upchurch 139.

**GIRLS' SERIES:** Brooke Newlan 384, Cheyenne Uker 346, Shelbi Waters 339, Katie Upchurch 297.

**GIRLS' GAMES:** Brooke Newlan 170, Cheyenne Uker 157, Shelbi Waters 124, Athena Jenkins 120.

### PEEWEE & BUMPER

**SERIES:** Riley Magee 208, Ravyn Barela 178, Lindsay Beem 145.

**GAMES:** Riley Magee 119, Ravyn Barela 102, Lindsay Beem 74.

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Dondi Hilling, left, pictured with Master Bill Fulcher, is the Pil Sung Martial Arts student for the month for September. He was selected by the Blackbelt instructors at Pil Sung for his perseverance in learning his white belt form and taking two third-place finishes in his first tournament.

## MAGIC VALLEY SPORTS BRIEFS

Following are sports announcements submitted to the Times-News.

### Basketball

#### FILER HOLDS CO-ED HOOPS SIGN-UPS

**FILER** — The Filer Community Recreation District will hold registration for co-ed basketball for grades 3-4 from 5-8 p.m., Monday, Tuesday and Thursday at the Filer Fire Station. The cost is \$30. Information: Dean Allen at 735-8492.

#### BURLEY JR. JAZZ SIGN-UPS SET

**BURLEY** — The Burley Lions Club Junior Jazz league for girls in grades 5-6 will hold sign-ups from 5-7 p.m., Thursday, Oct. 15 and Friday, Oct. 16, at White Pine Elementary School.

#### T.F. HOLDS ADULT HOOPS MEETING

**TWIN FALLS** — Twin Falls Parks and Recreation will hold an organizational meeting for its adult basketball leagues on Thursday, Oct. 22, at parks and recreation office (136 Maxwell Ave.). The women's meeting will be held at 5:30 p.m., with the men's meeting at 6. Discussion items include league fees, rules and season length. All teams wishing to participate need to have a representative present at this meeting. Information: 736-2265.

#### HARLEM AMBASSADORS COMING TO CRHS

**TWIN FALLS** — The Harlem Ambassadors basketball team will play at 7 p.m., Nov. 18 at Canyon Ridge High School in Twin Falls. Proceeds benefit the local Habitat for Humanity. The Ambassadors, a traveling team akin to the Harlem Globetrotters, will face a team of local community members and will be available for autographs following the game.

#### BASKETBALL REFS MEETING AT CRHS

**TWIN FALLS** — The first meeting for high school basketball officials will be held at 7 p.m., Monday at Canyon Ridge High School. Those interested in becoming certified to officiate during the 2009-10 season must attend. Information: Sean Standley at 731-1026.

#### JRD MEN'S HOOPS UPCOMING

**JEROME** — Registration for Jerome Recreation District men's basketball will be held through Oct. 30 for the general public. Registration is on a first-come first-served basis until all leagues are filled. The team fee is \$535, and player fees are \$15 in district and \$20 out of district.

Information: 324-3389.

#### T.F. OFFERS PRESCHOOL BASKETBALL

**TWIN FALLS** — Twin Falls Parks and Recreation will hold a preschool basketball program for boys and girls ages 4-5. The program will run on Saturdays from 2 to 2:45 p.m., from Nov. 7 through Dec.

# Italy earns chance to defend title

## Team leads list of Saturday's World Cup qualifiers

DUBLIN — The defending world champions will get a chance to defend their crown.

Italy qualified for next year's World Cup with a 90th-minute goal that avoided taking qualifying down to its final game.

Reserve forward Alberto Gilardino scored the tying goal just three minutes after Sean St. Ledger's diving header put the Republic of Ireland in front, and the Azzurri gained a 2-2 draw Saturday night that ensured they will defend their title in South Africa next year.

"We're pleased to have it happen tonight. It would have been absurd to lose considering the way we played," Italy coach Marcello Lippi said. "We played with desire, heart and our wits."

Italy (6-0-3) won Group Eight with 21 points. Ireland (4-0-5) is four points back with one game to go and will finish second, earning a spot in the European playoffs.

After St. Ledger's goal gave Ireland a 2-1 lead, Italy immediately counterattacked. Vincenzo Iaquinta took a pass into the Irish penalty area and passed to Gilardino, who put the ball past goalkeeper Shay Given.

"We're feeling heartache. Devastated," said Irish defender John O'Shea. "To concede two sloppy, shocking goals the way we did leaves such a bitter taste in the mouth."

Glenn Whelan's 25-yard shot got past goalkeeper Gianluigi Buffon and put Ireland ahead in the eighth minute, sending off wild reactions among the crowd of 70,640 in Croke Park. Italy tied the score off its first corner kick in the 26th, with Andrea Pirlo finding Mauro Camoranesi for a short-range header.

Italy had a goal disallowed in the 47th minute, when Iaquinta touched Giorgio Chiellini's on-target header from an offside position.

"We could have finished the game with a little bit of experience," said Ireland coach Giovanni Trapattoni, who coached the Azzurri from 2000-04. "But Italy is Italy. They have a winning mentality. So I am happy for our second place. Our goal in the last year was to qualify, and that is possible with the playoff."

### GERMANY 1, RUSSIA 0

MOSCOW — Miroslav Klose scored in the 35th minute Saturday, and the Germans qualified for their 15th consecutive World Cup with a 1-0 victory over Russia.

"We prepared the team in such a way that we said, 'We have our hand on the ticket to South Africa. We can decide it ourselves if we win here,'" Germany coach Joachim Loew said. "We said from the start that we wanted to play for a win here, and so go forward. Of course we had a bit of luck in some situations, one has to say that."

Germany, a three-time world champion, finished the game a man short after defender Jerome Boateng received his second yellow card of the match in the 68th minute.

Germany (8-0-1) ensured it will finish first in Europe Group Four, taking a four-point lead over second-place Russia (7-2) with one match remaining. Russia has clinched second and will be among the eight European teams in home-and-home playoffs for berths.

Klose scored his 50th international goal from six yards following an exchange with Lukas Podolski, sending Russia to its first home



AP photo

Italy striker Alberto Gilardino celebrates his injury-time goal to earn a 2-2 draw with the Republic of Ireland in Dublin on Saturday, a result that clinched a World Cup berth for the Italians.

loss in World Cup qualifying.

Russia missed several clear chances.

"We can not be happy about the result, but about the attacking way we played, you can be satisfied," Russia coach Guus Hiddink said.

He is confident Russia will win its playoff and reach next year's 32-nation field in South Africa.

"If we play as we have in this and recent qualifying games, we are of course favorites," he said.

### MEXICO 4, EL SALVADOR 1

MEXICO CITY — Mexico became the first nation in North and Central America and the Caribbean to clinch a World Cup berth, beating El Salvador 4-1 Saturday to eliminate the visitors.

Marvin Gonzalez's own goal put the hosts ahead in the 25th minute at Azteca Stadium, and Cuauhtemoc Blanco (71st minute), Francisco Palencia (84th minute) and Carlos Vega (90th) added goals.

Julio Martinez scored on a free kick in the 88th for El Salvador.

Mexico (6-3), which qualified for its fifth straight World Cup, is first with 18 points, two ahead of the United States (5-2-1), five in front of Honduras (4-3-1) and six ahead of Costa Rica (4-4). The top three nations qualify and No. 4 goes to a playoff.

El Salvador (2-5-2) has eight points.

### SERBIA 5, ROMANIA 0

BELGRADE, Serbia — Milan Jovanovic scored twice, and Serbia routed Romania 5-0 on Saturday night to qualify for the first time under its own name.

Nikola Zigic's header in

the 37th-minute, Marko Pantelic's angled shot in the 51st and Zdravko Kuzmanovic's drive under the crossbar in the 78th built a three-goal lead before Romania defender Cristian Chivu was ejected in the 84th after appearing to kick Zigic in his back.

Jovanovic scored from the edge of the penalty area in the 87th and 90th.

Serbia (7-1-1) has 22 points and will win Group Seven. France (5-1-3), which has 18 points, will finish second and go to the European playoffs.

"This is like a dream," Pantelic said. "This is the first time Serbia is going to the World Cup under its true name."

The victory triggered fireworks in Belgrade, sending thousands of jubilant fans into the streets of the capital. The last time Serbia participated at the World Cup was together with Montenegro in 2006. Before then, its players were part of Yugoslavia's national team.

### DENMARK 1, SWEDEN 0

COPENHAGEN — Jakob Poulsen scored in the 79th minute, and the Danes defeated Sweden 1-0 Saturday night to clinch first place in Europe Group One.

The victory set off a massive red-and-white celebration at Parken Stadium, with the players hugging in the center circle and spraying each other with champagne before hoisting coach Morten Olsen high into the air.

"It's wonderful," Olsen said. "We played a better game, so our win was well deserved. ... All the players who have been on the team have been fantastic."

Poulsen scored with a low shot from well outside the

penalty area that beat diving goalkeeper Andreas Isaksson.

Denmark (5-0-3), whose previous World Cup appearances were in 1986, 1998 and 2002, reached its first major tournament since the 2004 European Championship. The Danes have not lost a World Cup qualifier at Parken Stadium since 1981.

### MALAWI 1, IVORY COAST 1

BLANTYRE, Malawi — Didier Drogba put Ivory Coast back in the World Cup.

The Chelsea star scored in the 67th minute, two minutes after entering as a substitute, giving the Elephants a 1-1 draw against Malawi on Saturday that clinched first place in Africa Group E.

"I am very happy indeed because Ivory Coast is going to the World Cup for the second time," Drogba said.

Jacob Ngwira put Malawi ahead in the 63rd minute. Drogba, the 2006 African player to the year, scored after Malawi captain Peter Mponda fouled Salomon Kalou around the edge of the penalty area. On the resulting free kick, Drogba pounced on a poor header by Mponda and beat goalkeeper Swadick Sanudi with a low shot.

Coming off its World Cup debut in 2006, Ivory Coast (4-0-1) leads Group E with 13 points with one game remaining and cannot be caught by second-place Burkina Faso (2-2), which has two games left.

### CHILE 4, COLOMBIA 2

MEDELLIN, Colombia — Chile will return to the World Cup for the first time since 1998, clinching its berth with a 4-2 win at Colombia on Saturday.

In a frantic matchup at

the Atanasio Girardot Stadium, Colombia went ahead in the 13th minute on Arturo Vidal's own-goal. Waldo Ponce tied the score in the 35th, and Chile went ahead one minute later when Humberto Suazo headed in Fabian Orellana's short pass.

Giovanni Moreno tied it 2-2 in the 63rd before substitute Jorge Valdivia put Chile ahead for good in the 72nd. Fabian Orellana added the final goal in the 79th.

Chile (9-5-3) ensured it will finish among the top four in South America and joined Brazil and Paraguay in next year's 32-nation field. Colombia is 5-7-5.

### FRANCE 5, FAEROE ISLANDS 0

GUINGAMP, France — France must win a playoff in order to reach next year's World Cup.

Andre-Pierre Gignac scored twice, and William Gallas, Nicolas Anelka and Karim Benzema added goals as Les Bleus romped over the Faeroe Islands 5-0 Saturday night.

France (5-1-3) will finish second in Group Seven with 18 points, four behind Serbia (7-1-1), which defeated Romania 5-0 Saturday to clinch first place and an automatic berth in the 32-nation field in South Africa next year.

"I'm not disappointed," France coach Raymond Domenech said. "I will be disappointed if we fail to qualify. Now, we have to go through a playoff. A tough task is awaiting us because our next opponent in the playoffs will be a difficult one, that's for sure."

Gignac, who scored in France's 1-0 win at the Faeroes in August, got the first goal in the 34th off a pass from Thierry Henry

and doubled the score five minutes later.

Gallas made it 3-0 in the 53rd with a header at the far post from Henry's free kick. Anelka scored in the 86th, and Benzema got the final goal in the 88th.

### PORTUGAL 3, HUNGARY 0

LISBON, Portugal — Portugal took a big step toward finishing second in its World Cup qualifying group and earning a berth in the European playoffs, defeating Hungary 3-0 Saturday night as Simao Sabrosa scored twice and Liedson had one goal.

World player of the year Cristiano Ronaldo came off in the 27th minute because of an ankle injury that kept him out of training most of the past week. He was replaced by Nani, but Ronaldo's absence took the sting out of the Portuguese attack.

"We played a good game," Portugal coach Carlos Queiroz said. "We're in the final sprint for qualification. We have to keep going till the end."

Sabrosa scored in the 18th and 79th minutes, giving him 20 international goals. Liedson, a Brazilian-born forward who recently took Portuguese nationality, scored in the 74th.

### UKRAINE 1, ENGLAND 0

DNIPROPETROVSK, Ukraine — In a match that meant nothing for England, Ukraine strengthened its chances of qualifying for the World Cup.

Serhiy Nazarenko beat backup goalkeeper David James in the 29th minute, and Ukraine went on to a 1-0 victory over the English on Saturday.

Andriy Shevchenko had missed a penalty kick after England goalkeeper Robert Green was ejected in the 13th for taking down Artem Milevskiy inside the area.

"In the second half we played very well and created a lot of chances to score," England coach Fabio Capello said. "We tried to the last minute to score a goal."

England (8-1), which did not dress Los Angeles Galaxy midfielder David Beckham, already had clinched first place in Group Six and a berth in next year's tournament. Ukraine (5-1-3) moved into second place, one point ahead of Croatia (5-2-2). The eight best second-place teams in the nine European groups advance to home-and-home playoffs for berths.

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**Talk of suicide threatens both mom-to-be and baby**

**DEAR ABBY:** A woman I work with is pregnant. While this may seem like exciting news, it is the opposite. She is already depressed and often talks about suicide.

My real concern is for her baby. She often says how, if she has a girl, she'll drown it, suffocate it, etc. She says it openly. Everyone in the office has heard her make these statements.

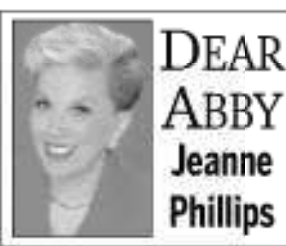
The baby's father is an alcoholic, and he is the one who wants the kid — not her. She already has an older child she has nothing to do with.

I feel something should be done to keep her baby from being harmed, but what can I do? Can Child Protective Services be of any help when it comes to an unborn baby? Or should we co-workers speak up and ask her to seek help?

— WORRIED IN ILLINOIS

**DEAR WORRIED:** Of course you should speak up! Hormones have a lot to do with the way people think and react — as anyone knows who has had anything to do with women who suffer from PMS. Your co-worker should be urged to level with her OB/GYN about the feelings she is experiencing.

I discussed your letter with Child Protective Services and was informed that no intervention can be done until a baby is actually born. However, when your



**DEAR ABBY**  
**Jeanne Phillips**

co-worker goes to the hospital to have her child, you should notify the hospital officials because, if necessary, an intervention can be done, and CPS can become involved when she delivers.

It goes without saying that when anyone talks about suicide, that person should be advised to discuss their feelings with a counselor at one of the suicide prevention hotlines. Both numbers are toll-free: (800) 784-2433 and (800) 273-8255.

**DEAR ABBY:** I am a 22-year-old woman, fairly mature, intelligent and stable. I'm 5-foot-3 and wear a size 5 or 6.

I have this friend, "Tish," who is stunningly gorgeous. She looks like a model, stands about 5-foot-8 and wears a size 1 or 2. She dresses stylishly and has the figure to pull off many outfits that I never could. Tish is also a nice person who has never said anything to put me down. I feel no ill will toward her, just inferior when I'm around her.

I have had super-short

hair most of my life, but have been growing it out for the past year to "reinvent" myself. When I saw Tish last week, she had donated her shoulder-length hair to Locks of Love and now sports an ultra-chic haircut that makes her look better than I ever did. I cried for almost an hour after she left.

I know my feelings are stupid and childish. Not only do I feel ugly externally next to Tish, but also internally ugly for being so hung-up on appearance when she hasn't done me any wrong. How can I get rid of these unwanted feelings?

— PALE IN COMPARISON

**DEAR PALE:** You say you feel inferior when you're around Tish. How do you feel when you're not around her? And why are you constantly comparing yourself to her?

It's important for your future that you figure out what's behind it, because unless you do, your feelings of inferiority will extend beyond this one individual. When you begin to like yourself more, you'll feel less "pale" when you're around others — including your friend Tish.

Please discuss this with a licensed counselor, and if that's not possible right now, then it might be better for both of you to spend less time together.

**IF OCTOBER 11 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY:**

For the next several weeks you seem to have a guardian angel watching over your shoulder and protecting you from errors of judgment. Because you are a bit wiser than usual, this is a good time to make plans for the future or to make irrevocable decisions that will improve your life. In January and February your popularity soars, making it a good time to apply for a new job, make an important commitment or meet a special someone for close encounters of a romantic kind.

**ARIES (March 21-April 19):** Your business instincts are out of kilter this week so it may be best to pass up investment opportunities or major purchases.

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20):** Love means never having to say you're sorry. This week you may be challenged by the need to make an apology in an appropriate way.

**GEMINI (May 21-June 20):** You might simply be

**HOROSCOPE**  
**Jeraldine Saunders**

chasing your tail. You could have some delightful ideas without the necessary practicality to put them into action.

**CANCER (June 21-July 22):** Concentrate on making your family proud of you this week, but don't be overly anxious to prove that you have business acumen.

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22):** Some people dig in their heels. If you do, this is the best week to start any project that relies upon public approval and popularity.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22):** You may have an impulse to hoard pennies or ignore a plea for help in the week ahead, but wear your white hat and do your best.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22):** Sometimes you must go too far to know you have gone far enough. You could go to

extremes emotionally or financially in the week ahead.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21):** You could put enormous energy into a project that leads you nowhere this week unless you take the time to get the signals clear.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21):** Although you may be torn in two directions early in the week, you should do whatever will uphold someone's faith in you.

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19):** Just because you are temporarily left out in the cold doesn't mean it is impossible to achieve a happy compromise later this week.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18):** You may be restless to show off your good fortune or to pounce on romantic prey. You don't need to be extravagant to win approval.

**PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20):** During the week ahead you might be pleased best by making new contacts or getting away from it all for exciting experiences.

Today is Sunday, Oct. 11, the 284th day of 2009. There are 81 days left in the year.

**Today's Highlight:**

On Oct. 11, 1884, first lady Eleanor Roosevelt was born in New York City.

**On this date:**

In 1779, Polish nobleman Casimir Pulaski, fighting for American independence, died two days after being mortally wounded during the Revolutionary War Battle of Savannah, Ga.

In 1809, just over three years after the famous Lewis and Clark expedition ended, Meriwether Lewis was found dead in a Tennessee inn, an apparent suicide; he was 35.

In 1890, the Daughters of the American Revolution was founded in Washington, D.C.

In 1958, the lunar probe Pioneer 1 was launched; it failed to go as far out as planned, fell back to Earth, and burned up in the atmosphere.

In 1962, Pope John XXIII convened the first session of the Roman Catholic Church's Second Ecumenical Council, also known as "Vatican II."

**TODAY IN HISTORY**

In 1968, Apollo 7, the first manned Apollo mission, was launched with astronauts Wally Schirra, Donn Fulton Eisele and R. Walter Cunningham aboard. The government of Panama was overthrown in a military coup.

In 1979, Allan McLeod Cormack and Godfrey Newbold Hounsfield were named co-recipients of the Nobel Prize for Medicine for their work in developing the CAT scan X-ray.

In 1984, space shuttle Challenger astronaut Kathryn Sullivan became the first American woman to walk in space.

In 1991, testifying before the Senate Judiciary Committee, Anita Hill accused Supreme Court nominee Clarence Thomas of sexually harassing her; Thomas reappeared before the panel to denounce the proceedings as a "high-tech lynching."

In 1998, Pope John Paul II decreed the first Jewish-

born saint of the modern era: Edith Stein, a nun killed in the gas chambers of Auschwitz.

**Ten years ago:** Dr. Guenter Blobel of New York's Rockefeller University won the Nobel Prize for medicine for discovering how proteins find their rightful places in cells.

**Five years ago:** European Union foreign ministers lifted sanctions against Libya and eased an arms embargo. Shiite militia fighters started turning in weapons in Baghdad's Sadr City under a weapons-for-cash disarmament program. Norwegian Finn Kydland and American Edward Prescott won the Nobel economics prize.

**One year ago:** President George W. Bush and foreign financial officials, meeting at the White House, displayed joint resolve in combatting the unfolding financial crisis. Austrian far-right politician Joerg Haider, 58, was killed in a car accident. Composer and arranger Neal Hefti, who wrote the themes for the movie "The Odd Couple" and the TV show "Batman," died in Toluca Lake, Calif., at age 85.

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### 512 Farms/Ranches/Dairies

**RICHFIELD**  
256 acre Dairy farm with 2 houses. Property borders Hwy. 93 \$630,000. Wanting to retire!  
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### 515 Commercial Property

**CURRY** 7000 sq. ft. Commercial building w/5 overhead doors: one 14', three 12', & one 10' on .661 acre lot. \$250,000

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### 518 Mobile Homes

**KIMBERLY**  
1971 Skyline Mobile Home for Sale: 3 bedroom, 1 bath. Includes furniture and all appliances, shed, deck and awning. \$12,900/offer cash.  
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### 518 Mobile Homes

**TWIN FALLS** 78 14x70 3 bdrm, 2 bath, many upgrades, 8 miles south of TF on Hwy 93. \$15,000.  
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**TWIN FALLS** 2 bdrm, 1 bath. 72, 12'x60', nice cedar fence around patio. Hard wood floors, new roof, & new hot water heater. \$8000.  
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### 519 Cemetery Lots

**PARKE'S CEMETARY LOT**  
Block 67 Space 4, single lot.  
Call 208-733-1557

**SUNSET MEMORIAL PARK** Valleyview gardens section 269 Spaces 1, 2, 3, & 4. Valued at \$1495/lot, selling for \$1000/lot.  
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### 521 Manufactured Homes

**USED MANUFACTURED HOMES**  
93 66x14' 2 bdrm, 2 bath, \$19,900  
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90 76x16' 3 bdrm, 2 bath, \$27,900  
83 44x24' 3 bdrm, 2 bath, \$17,500  
91 52x14' 2 bdrm, 1 bath, \$13,500.  
Call YR Homes 208-324-0020

**WANTED TO BUY**, Any large mobile home parks, Twin Falls area. Please call 208-232-1325

### RENTAL PROPERTIES

**601 Furnished Homes**  
**TWIN FALLS** Deluxe furnished town house for rent available Nov. 15. \$600 + deposit. 208-733-2058

### 602 Unfurnished Homes

**AFFORDABLE RENTALS** New and remodeled homes & apts. Available in Hansen, Gooding, Buhl and Shoshone Call 208-308-2941

**BUHL** 2 bdrm, 1 bath, w/r without furnishing, all appl, tables & beds, newer kitchen, lg lot 113 7' Ave N \$500 + \$400 deposit. 731-5745

**BUHL** 3 bdrm, 1 bath, 309 9<sup>th</sup> Ave N No pets. \$550 month + deposit.  
208-731-2345 or 733-9658

**BUHL** 3 bdrm, 1 bath, wood stove plus electric heat, please no pets. \$600 + \$650 dep. 208-731-0937

**BUHL** 3 bdrm, 2 bath house, huge shop/garage pasture, no smoking or pets. \$250 security deposit. \$850 a month. Call B G Property Holdings at 208-736-8729.

**BUHL** 3 bedroom, 1 bath, 1 car garage, fenced yard, \$700 + deposit. 208-410-9143

**BURLEY** 2 bdrm, 1 bath No pets/smoking \$350/mo. + \$250 dep. Call 208-312-2836

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**FILER** 3 bdrm, 2 bath, 1 acre, nice, no pets, long term. \$650 month.  
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**TWIN FALLS** Spacious 3 bdrm 2 bath apts, garage, fenced \$900  
**CANYON RIDGE** 3 bdrm, 2 1/2 bath, appliances, garage. \$1000  
Quiet neighborhood 3 bdrm 2 bath appliances, garage. \$1000  
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The Management Co. 733-0739

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**HANSEN** Available 10/19 newer 3 bdrm, 2 bath, sprinkler system, \$795 mo + dep. 208-734-3259.

**JEROME** 2 bdrm, 1 bath, \$325/mo. + security dep.  
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**JEROME** 2 bdrm, 1 bath, 207 E. 6<sup>th</sup>, no dogs, appls incl. \$500/mo. + dep. 208-731-0847

**JEROME** 2 bedroom, 1 bath, no pets. \$800 month + \$500 deposit. Call 208-733-7818

### 0602 Unfurnished Homes

**JEROME** 3 bdrm, 2 bath mobile homes. \$550-\$575. No pets. Long term. 324-8903 or 208-788-2817

**JEROME** 3 bedroom, 2 1/2 bath, 1340 sq. ft. (lease option avail). Only one owner, built in 2007. \$950/month. Call Colby Walter 208-293-7575.

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**KIMBERLY** rent or rent to own, beautiful, almost new, 4 bdrm, 2 bath, in new subdivision. \$1100. 320 Cayuse Creek  
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**SHOSHONE** 2+ bdrm., 1 bath nice clean home. No pets.  
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**TWIN FALLS** 2 bdrm, 1 bath, detached garage, water and sewer paid. \$550/mo. Call 208-731-7395

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**TWIN FALLS** 2 bdrm, clean, carpeted, appls, \$525. 1816 Elizabeth 208-733-6095

**TWIN FALLS** 2 bdrm., \$620 mo. inclds utils, dep \$400. W/D hookups, stove, refrig, furn, no smoking/pets. 1 yr lease. Applications at Blp 214 Blue Lakes. Call 208-404-9234.

**TWIN FALLS** 2 bdrm., 1 bath, fenced, pet ok, \$575 + \$300 deposit. Call 208-212-1678

**TWIN FALLS** 3 bdrm 1 bath historic great location, newly remodeled, W/D, fenced yard, \$765 420-6628

**TWIN FALLS** 3 bdrm, 1 bath, \$750/mo. + \$400 dep. No pets. 291 Jefferson St. 404-4536

**TWIN FALLS** 3 bdrm, 1 bath. \$650 + \$650 deposit. No smoking/pets. 208-420-1488 or 208-733-1180 or 208-420-5950 or 208-423-6348

**TWIN FALLS** 3 bdrm, 1.5 bath, 2329 Kings Gate Dr. \$850 month. No pets. 208-733-9658

**TWIN FALLS** 3 bdrm, 2 bath, stove, dishwasher, W/D hookups. \$500 + \$300 deposit. 2957 N. 2600 E. 208-530-0479 or 562-900-3965

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**TWIN FALLS** 3 bdrm, 2 bath, newer home. 1527 Sommer, \$800/mo. No smoking. Call 208-731-4060.

**TWIN FALLS** 3 bdrm., clean, appls, W/D hookup, large yard, \$650. 167 Rose St. Call 208-733-6095.

**TWIN FALLS** 5 bdrm, 2 bath, clean, garage, exc. neighborhood. No smoking. \$850 + dep. 280-3000

**TWIN FALLS** 5 bdrm, 2 bath \$995/mo. back home, yard, pet ok  
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**604 Unfurnished Apartments**

**JEROME** duplex, 2 bdrm., 1 bath, \$520 month + deposit. No smoking/pets. 110 5<sup>th</sup> Ave E 539-1403.

**KIMBERLY** 1 bdrm. apt. Clean. 300 N. Main \$385/month, \$250 deposit. Available now 423-6792

**KIMBERLY** 3 bdrm., 2 bath, with garage, WD hookup, no smoking/pets, water, sewer, garbage incl, 1<sup>st</sup> month FREE with Year Lease. \$600 + deposit. 208-731-5860

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**KIMBERLY** studio apartment \$200 month + deposit. 324 Hwy 30 #2. Call 208-539-1403

**SHOSHONE** Move-in special \$99 1<sup>st</sup> mo. 2 bdrm, 1 bath, water/garbage pd. \$525 + \$300 dep. No pets. 2 Falls Property Mgmt. 212-1678

**TWIN FALLS** 1 bdrm studio, stove & refrig, no pets. \$425 + deposit. Credit check required. 837-6561

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**TWIN FALLS** 2 bdrm, 1 bath, near college, kitchen appls, partially furnished, \$600. Water/Sewer/Garbage incl. 839-5709/539-3137

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**TWIN FALLS** Newer 3 bdrm, 2 bath, garage, WD hookup. 379 Lenore #4. \$700 + \$500 dep. 961-0522

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**TWIN FALLS** The Falls Apts/ Pleasant View Townhomes 1, 2, & 3 bdrm. \$430-\$565 734-6600

**TWIN FALLS** Very nice studio, full bath and kitchen, appls incl, some utils paid. \$385 + dep. 280-1809

**TWIN FALLS** Very quiet, 2 bdrm, 1 bath, no pets, water/frash paid \$500 + \$300 dep. 208-212-1678

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**TWIN FALLS** Bdrms for rent in 5 bdrm, 3 bath house, \$350/mo. includes all utils. Near CSI 280-0724

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**616 Roommates Wanted**

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**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**101 Lost and Found**



**DISAPPEARED \$100 Reward**, no questions asked. Missing Miniature Schnauzer on 9/22 in vicinity of Addison & Tyler. 7 yr black & white female, well groomed. 75 yr old widow's only companion, we need her back. 208-736-9008

**FOUND** Red Heeler puppy Northwest of Paul. Please call 431-8161 to identify

**FOUND** Vinyl tire cover with saying on it found on Shoup Avenue W. Call 733-4530 to identify.

**FOUND:** A young female black lab X was found on Stevens st. in Filer. She was found with a male lab X on 10-6-9. She will be available for adoption 10-12-9.

**FOUND:** A young male black lab X was found on Stevens st. in Filer. He was picked up with a female on 10-6-9. He will be available for adoption 10-12-9. 543-2600

**LOST** Chocolate Lab/Chesapeake cross male in the Rupert area. Last seen 10/03 has orange collar. Call 208-431-5881

**LOST** female Black Lab, she is pregnant. Was wearing orange collar. Last seen on 20<sup>th</sup> Ave in Jerome. Call 208-731-7091.

**106 Special Notices**

**BIRTHDAY PHOTOS**  
Have you forgotten to pickup your birthday photos? We have some photos we are sure you don't want us to toss. These can be picked up at The Times-News Classified Dept.

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			1	5	2			
9		2						6
		4						3
3	5		6					7
1			7		9	4		
2				7				
3			4			9		
	4	1	5					

Answer to previous puzzle

1	3	8	4	7	9	5	2	6
5	4	7	2	6	8	3	9	1
9	6	2	3	5	1	7	4	8
3	8	1	7	4	6	2	5	9
2	9	4	5	8	3	1	6	7
6	7	5	1	9	2	4	8	3
4	2	6	9	3	7	8	1	5
7	1	9	8	2	5	6	3	4
8	5	3	6	1	4	9	7	2

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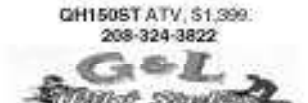
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Dear Mr. Wolff: I held ♠ J-2, ♥ K-7-4-2, ♦ Q-9-7, ♣ A-10-9-4. I assumed that when partner opened one heart and the next hand doubled, my jump to two no-trump suggested a limit raise or better in hearts. What would a jump to four clubs by partner mean now — and what should I do next?

Tony the Tortoise, Pittsburgh, Pa.

ANSWER: When a new suit would be forcing, a jump shows shortage and implies a slam-try. Here, with third-round control of both side-suits and a working club, you have just enough for a bid of five clubs to show your ace. From here on, you should apply the brakes. Let partner bid on past five hearts if he wants to.

Dear Mr. Wolff: Is there a defined rule about late-plays in your club? What is the fair way to handle such deals, if only one side wants to play a board at the end of the game?

Speedy Gonzalez, Akron, Ohio

ANSWER: Though I'm not a procedural expert, I would expect that most clubs would award an average to both sides for an unplayed deal, unless one side was blameless for the delay and is willing to play the deal, while the other side is unable or unwilling to play. In that case the nonoffenders might get average-plus. It would be rare but not impossible for continued slow play to be punished by an average-minus on an unplayed deal.

Dear Mr. Wolff: Holding ♠ A-J-7-3-2, ♥ A-9, ♦ Q-J-7-4, ♣ Q-10, would you overcall two spades over one trump in either balancing or direct seat? Would the vulnerability matter?

Captain Courageous, Fayetteville, N.C.

ANSWER: If you are not playing a method that will let you show a two-suited hand (and I urge you to play such a method if you can), then you must come in to show spades here. It might work disastrously, but that should not stop you from competing over one no-trump at the slightest opportunity.

Dear Mr. Wolff: Who is the fastest accurate player you have ever witnessed? Did any of the top players possess photographic memories?

Instamatic, Augusta, Ga.

ANSWER: Oswald Jacoby was in a class by himself. He had an eidetic memory, so that he recalled everything he saw, and that included bridge hands. Ozzie was in the top 10 at many games, but alas, he really only enjoyed competing against the people above him. Were it not for that, he would have died a much richer man!

Dear Mr. Wolff: Say you pick up ♠ Q-9-4-2, ♥ K-7-6, ♦ 9-7, ♣ A-10-6-4. After a weak two-spade bid on your left and a double from partner, would you bid two no-trump, three clubs, or pass? Would you consider bidding three no-trump?

Multiple Choice, Kingston, Ontario

ANSWER: Pass is too big a swing action for me. Some like to use two no-trump here as artificial and weak, so three clubs would show values. But if you're happy enough to play two no-trump as natural here, that gets your hand across just fine. You need another queen to bid three no-trump.

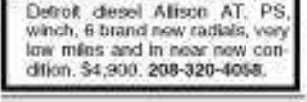
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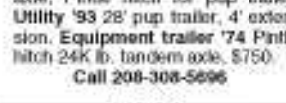
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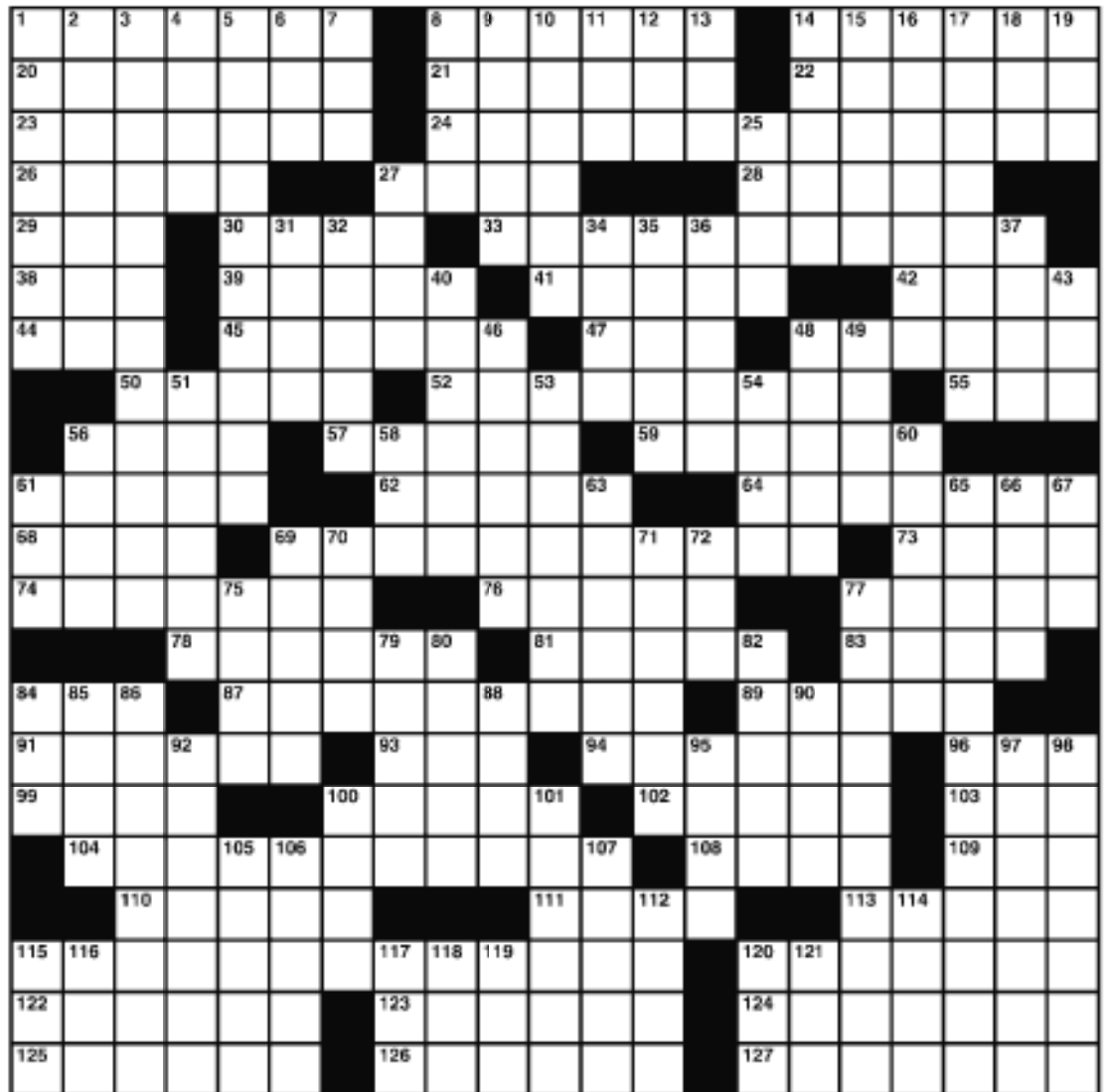


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**ACROSS**

- 1 1987 film about Ritchie Valens
- 8 Birthplace of St. Francis
- 14 Airheads
- 20 Hurrying
- 21 Ahab or his craft
- 22 Accustoms
- 23 Lhasa native
- 24 Designer Christian doing a pirouette?
- 26 "Family Ties" mom
- 27 \_\_\_ disease tick-borne illness
- 28 Dance parts
- 29 Tease
- 30 Hip-hoppers Salt-N-\_\_\_
- 33 Unadulterated moonshine?
- 38 Hydrocarbon suffix
- 39 Praying figure
- 41 John, Paul and John Paul
- 42 Gusto
- 44 Grazing ground
- 45 "What an exhausting day!"
- 47 Like musically challenged ears?
- 48 Ancient mystic
- 50 Radi neighbors
- 52 "Actor Laurie goes after you"?
- 56 Cinch, with "up"
- 57 Quarreling
- 59 Singer Lopez
- 61 Pioneer electronic calculators
- 62 Leaves port
- 63 End of \_\_\_
- 64 Martin/Tomlin comedy
- 68 Long haul

**DOWN**

- 73 In \_\_\_ stuck
- 74 Lives
- 76 Diner's decision
- 77 N.L. career stolen base leader Lou
- 78 Nobleman's address
- 81 Done to \_\_\_ repeated too often
- 83 Creep
- 84 Central Prefix
- 87 Sign at a broken gas pump?
- 89 Equally bizarre
- 91 Ate too much
- 93 Sgt., e.g.
- 94 State of mind
- 96 Unruly locks
- 99 "Later!"
- 100 Jack's fairy tale victim
- 102 Mature on the vine
- 103 Old Mideast assn.
- 104 Ongoing dispute about chemical use in farming?
- 108 Talkative bird
- 109 Cousin of calypso
- 110 Invite for a nightcap
- 111 Garage job
- 113 "The meek shall inherit the Earth, but not its mineral rights" speaker
- 115 Former Vietnamese president's dining reservation?
- 120 How some stunts are done
- 122 Prepare to leave one's plane seat
- 123 1-Across, e.g.
- 124 Wheel adjuster
- 125 Seaman's "Help!"

**ACROSS**

- 126 Declines
- 127 Breaks a promise
- 1 Hardly figurative
- 2 Oily compound used in dyes
- 3 Gorgeous newborns?
- 4 Son of Zeus
- 5 Speechless moments?
- 6 Troop gp.
- 7 Philip of "Kung Fu"
- 8 Haywire
- 9 Brother of Moe and Curly
- 10 Put aside
- 11 UN workers' agcy.
- 12 French seasoning
- 13 "Mr. Chicago" journalist Kuppelnet
- 14 Teeth: Prefix
- 15 Felix the neatnik
- 16 Chocoholic desserts
- 17 Brush hairs
- 18 War on Poverty org.
- 19 Lith., e.g., once
- 25 AOL and MSN
- 27 Swimmer's slot
- 31 Humorist Bombeck
- 32 Blue Ribbon brewer
- 34 "Portnoy's Complaint" author
- 35 Protestant denom.
- 36 Medicinal shrub
- 37 On one's rocker?
- 40 Sesame paste
- 43 Fresh
- 46 Set the radio dial on
- 48 Banishment
- 49 Small-strip aircraft acronym
- 51 Rapper with the debut album "Hard Core"
- 53 Yankee manager Joe
- 54 Isaac's oldest

**DOWN**

- 56 Bern's river
- 58 "Too Ra Loo Ra Loo \_\_\_": Irish classic
- 60 Skyrocketed
- 61 Narrow waterway: Abbr.
- 63 Impassioned
- 65 Coastal Norse horse?
- 66 Keystone Cops creator Sennett
- 67 Mass. senator's monogram, 1962-2009
- 69 Honeydew, e.g.
- 70 \_\_\_ use: avails
- 71 Sound barrier breaker Chuck
- 72 PC component
- 75 Bedrock pet
- 77 Late '70s Wimbledon headline?
- 79 Written in mystical letters
- 80 Cappuccino request
- 82 Glad
- 84 Comfy footwear
- 85 Personal Prefix
- 86 Support column?
- 88 Solitary
- 90 Caught in the act
- 92 Kidfarod vehicle
- 95 Act out in charades
- 97 Strength symbol
- 98 Mass communications?
- 100 NFL Hall of Famer Marchetti
- 101 Dutch export
- 105 Cub Scout leader
- 106 Excellent
- 107 Expected to arrive
- 112 Osso \_\_\_
- 114 Brink
- 115 "Cats" cat Run \_\_\_ Tigger
- 116 Santa \_\_\_ winds
- 117 NFL ball carriers
- 118 \_\_\_ Maria liqueur
- 119 José's "today"
- 120 Row
- 121 Braves' div.



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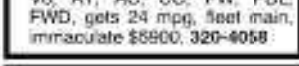
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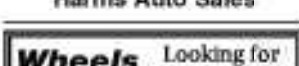
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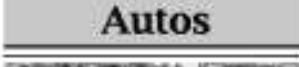


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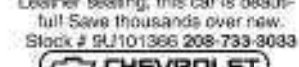
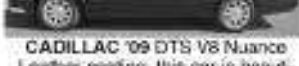


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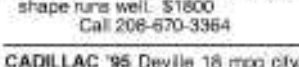
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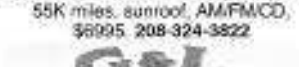
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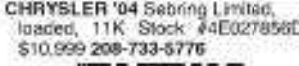
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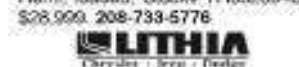
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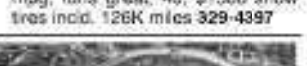
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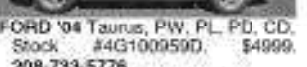
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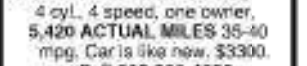
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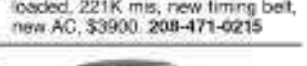
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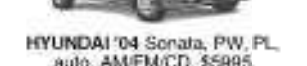
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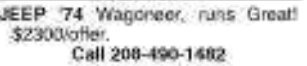
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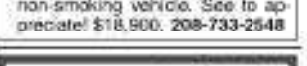
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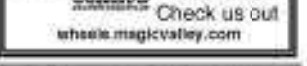
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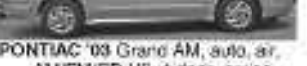
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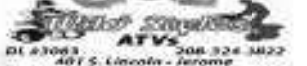
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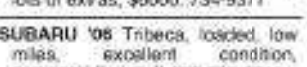
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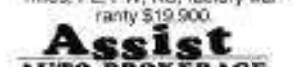
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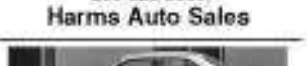
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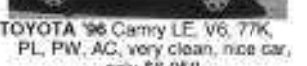
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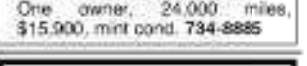
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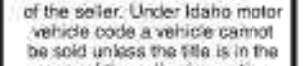
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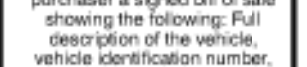
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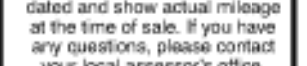
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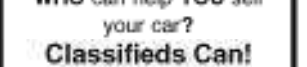
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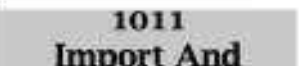
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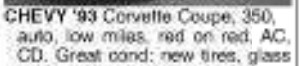
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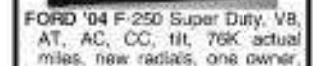


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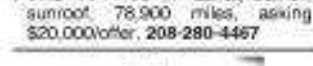
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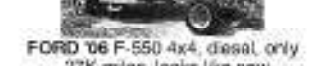
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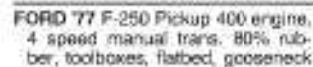
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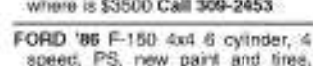
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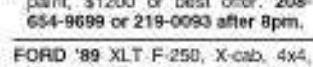
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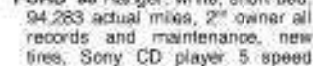
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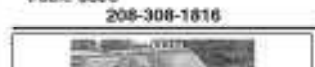
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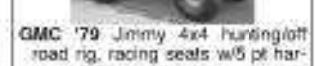
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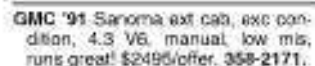
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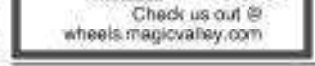
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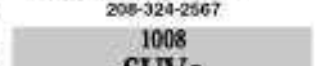
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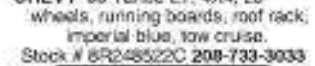
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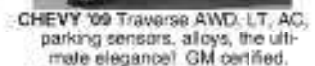
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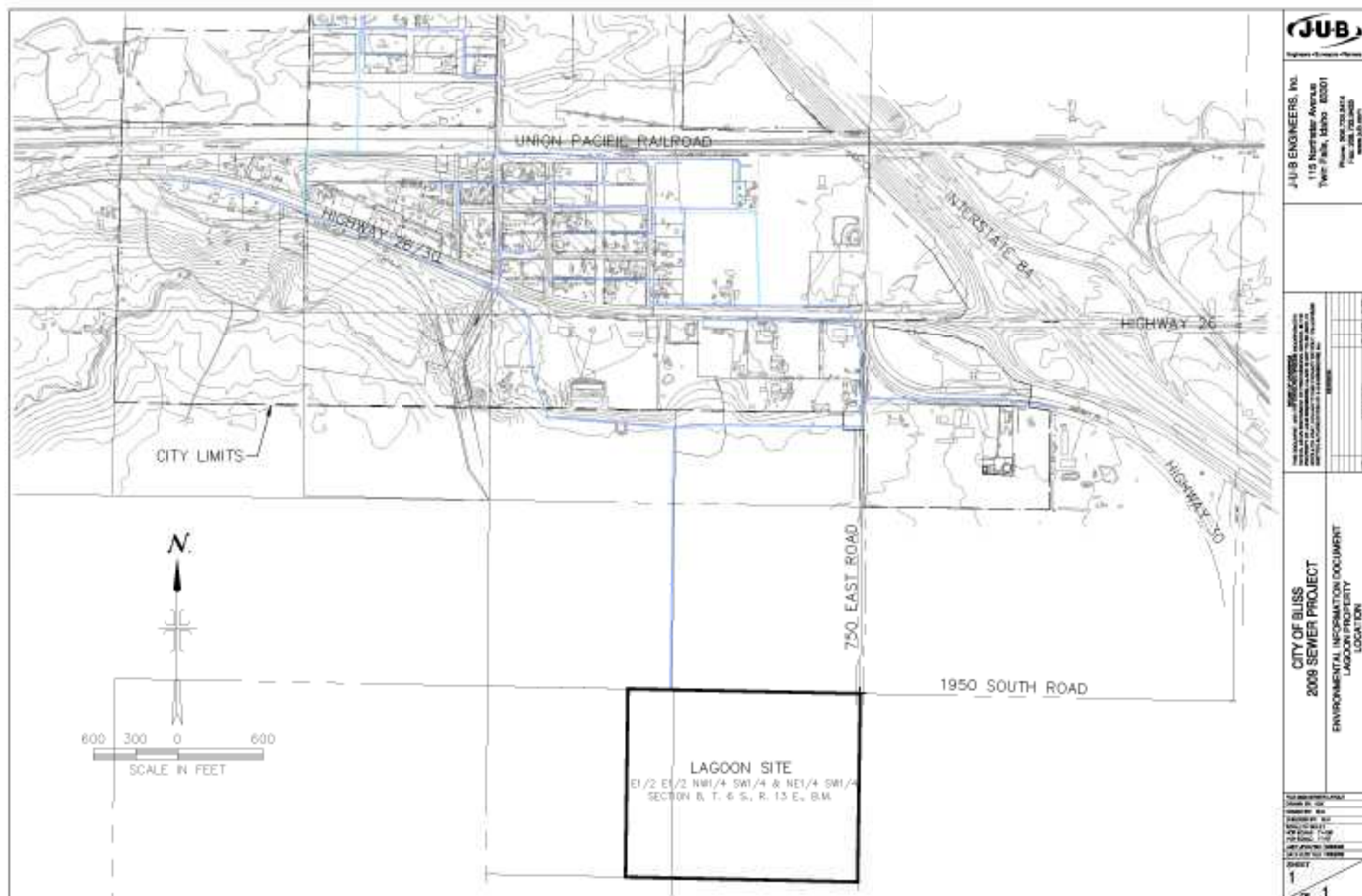
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## LEGAL NOTICE OF THE AVAILABILITY OF AN ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT AND A DRAFT FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT

The USDA, Rural Development (USDA-RD) and the Idaho Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) have each received an application for financial assistance from the City of Bliss for construction of a central municipal wastewater system. As required by the National Environmental Policy Act, USDA-RD has prepared an Environmental Assessment that evaluated the potential environmental effects and consequences of the proposed project. DEQ concurs with the USDA-RD Environmental Assessment issued September 23, 2009 and hereby adopts it to satisfy the environmental document review and publication requirements for a draft finding of no significant impact (FONSI) in accordance with DEQ Rules for Administration of Water Pollution Control Loans (IDAPA 58.01.12). This joint agency legal notice announces the availability of the USDA-RD Environmental Assessment for public review and comment.

The proposed project consists of constructing a new central sewer collection system and treatment facility for the City of Bliss. No mitigation measures have been identified for the proposed project. The alternatives considered for the proposed project include a STEP collection system, slow rate land application, recirculating filter, regionalization, total containment lagoons, and no action. The City of Bliss selected total containment lagoons as their preferred alternative. Several locations for the total containment lagoon treatment facility were explored. The selected alternative and site were determined to be the best alternative from both a financial and environmental aspect. Overall, the proposed project will have a beneficial cumulative effect by improving ground water and surface water quality with the decommissioning of the existing failing individual wastewater systems and the unlined leaking lagoons.

Copies of the USDA-RD Environmental Assessment are available for review at the Rural Development Twin Falls Area Office, 1441 Fillmore, Suite C, Twin Falls ID, 83301, and at the DEQ State Office, 1410 North Hilton, Boise, ID 83706, attention: Nancy Bowser. For further information please contact Rob Lanford at the USDA-RD, (208) 734-1324 x118. Any person interested in commenting on this proposed project should submit comments to the address above by November 9, 2009. A general location map of the proposal is shown below.



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## 5 Tips for Salary Negotiations in a Down Economy

by Kip Parent, Keirse.com

Even in a down economy, you can negotiate your salary -- whether for a new job, a promotion, or a raise in your current position. The key to a successful negotiation is to be prepared -- and the more you know about yourself and your worth, the better your potential outcome.

Promoter types, such as Donald Trump, are naturally skilled in all types of nego-

tiation. The rest of us can use a few tips that promoters seem to know instinctively:

• **Timing is everything.** In salary negotiations, the one who mentions money first loses. For a new job, never negotiate salary or other benefits until you have an offer of employment. For new employment, a new position or for a raise, talk about your future contributions to the company before money

discussions start.

• **Know what you are worth.** Many hard-working contributors tend to look to others to praise and reward them for their worth and may not do the homework to get real facts. They tend to give their power away to the employer. It is best to research salary ranges before you start the negotiation. Know the average salary for candidates with your education and skills in that type

of position, in that type of industry, and in that geographical location. Search the Internet for salary information <http://hotjobs.yahoo.com> salary and also consult professional organizations.

• **Know what you can contribute.** Analytic people, in particular, love to solve systems problems, but they may get too technical in telling about their ideas so they need to learn to quantify the ben-

efits to their audience. Many customer service people are great in emergencies and need to focus on how they have solved past crises. Operations people cut risks and ensure that operations go smoothly. Catalysts help people work effectively in teams to create a better future. If you can't state what you have done to help the company and what you intend to do, you'll lose in negotiations.

Think in terms of money or time saved, resources preserved, problems solved, and opportunities or new products created. If you can assign value in terms of numbers, you'll enhance your negotiating stance. Learn more about yourself to help communicate your personal value by taking a personality assessment, such as the Keirse Temperament Sorter-II (free at Keirse.com)



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# A friend who really understands



Teri Beck, left, and Dana Thomas became friends through the Advocates, a shelter and support organization for abused women in Blaine, Lincoln, Gooding and Custer counties, based in Hailey. The two say their backgrounds as victims of abuse have resulted in understanding they don't find in other friendships.

## Relationships built through abuse support groups have unique strength

By Ariel Hansen  
Times-News writer

KETCHUM — There are some people Dana Thomas just can't be friends with. Their behavior may remind her of the man she says abused her during a 12-year relationship, or she simply may not trust them.

Six years ago, Dana fled that man in the middle of the night, showing up at the Advocates shelter in Hailey. It was there that she met Teri Beck. "She comforted me so much," Dana said. "She's been like a sister-mom. The support and love has been unreal."

Teri is also a survivor, of a stalking serious enough that she, too, turned to the shelter. After being helped through the incident, she was hired as night manager at the Hailey facility.

Both women say that having a friend who has been a victim of domestic violence has been invaluable. They don't have to fear judgment, or accusations of overreacting to a trigger that reminds them



A half-dozen teen boys and a handful of men joined women in the 'Walk the Walk' event on Oct. 3 in Ketchum to raise awareness about domestic violence. The men were encouraged to wear red high heels as a visual indicator of their support — which drew curious looks and a lot of cheers for their courage.

of their abuse. And because they met through the shelter, which has strict confidentiality policies, there's a small amount of trust built in from the beginning.

Sometimes the pair will discuss details of their abuse — how Dana's abuser, she says, broke her jaw, knocked out her teeth and left her with amnesia.

"We've talked about our personal history at one point or another,

See **FRIENDSHIP**, Family Life 3

## HEAR FROM AN EXPERT

Jackson Katz, an educator in gender violence prevention, will speak at two free events in November in the Wood River Valley. For information, visit [theadvocates-aplacetogo.org](http://theadvocates-aplacetogo.org), and click "upcoming events."

- "More Than a Few Good Men," a presentation that juxtaposes irreverent humor with the unpleasant realities of gender violence and illuminates how the problems of individuals are linked to larger social forces. 6:30 p.m. Nov. 11, The Mint, 116 S. Main St., Hailey.
- "Taking it Personally: Why Gender Violence is an Issue for Men," an interactive half-day training for teachers, administrators, health care providers, law enforcement officers and the public. 8:30-11:30 a.m. Nov. 12, YMCA, 101 Saddle Road, Ketchum.

## Morning mystery: Who put oatmeal in the dog's dish?

A few weeks ago, all members of our family made a commitment to help the most obese member of the family lose some weight.

It won't be easy. She'll need a leaner diet, more exercise, less junk food and more servings of water — even if by drinking from the toilet.

SPILT MILK

David Cooper



You see, the veterinarian told us awhile back that our 2-year-old golden retriever was running a little on the chunky side. In order to help her lifestyle change, it was going to require more than just laying off the bacon treats.

This was not by any means a surprise. Our blond golden retriever, named Grace Kelly after the actress, is starting to look more like a heavier Shelley Winters. The pooch's girth became obvious during routine summer activities with the kids — especially when she stole all the unattended hot dogs and popsicles left on the patio. And while I've not read up on the respiratory problems of golden retrievers, we've discovered Gracie has a snoring problem that's now full-blown canine sleep apnea.

So once the doctor made his prescription, we all decided to chip in with an assist. We bought the healthier and leaner dog food. We're trying to take her on more walks. And even the kids are encouraging her to work out on the trampoline.

Now, we just need the baby to do his part.

As anyone with a house dog and children can tell you, kids are notorious for doling out their scraps to the family hound. My kids are sneaky and picky eaters, but very generous with leftovers. So we've strictly outlawed any under-the-table feedings at meal time.

The 1-year-old, however, refuses to follow along. With no regard for the dog's health, he's made her his own garbage disposal. Cheerios, Fig Newtons, graham crackers, sliced fruit, it's all going to the pooch. While we are pleased that the boy has a tender connection to the family pet, we have to draw a line when he's sharing milk formula. Not only is it too expensive, it's much too fattening for the dog.

Normally, I don't think the dog would care for that kind of food. But in a tough diet, Grace is going to take what she can get. And if that means licking all the bananas and oatmeal off the baby's face, she's more than happy to oblige.

While I consider myself a parent rooted in reality and duty, it's a struggle to maintain order when a baby and a dog are running the household and sharing food in every room.

I've seen it before, though, and the truth is the kid is headed for disappointment. Eventually this pattern of behavior will make the dog feel entitled to his birthday cake, his Halloween candy, his grilled hot dogs.

Until he learns that lesson, however, we'll stay busy making sure he doesn't try drinking from the toilet.

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## Handmade rest Family builds casket for father

By Melissa Davlin  
Times-News writer

When his family laid Ted Wasko to rest on Oct. 2, they knew his final resting place reflected the life he lived.

Ted, described by his family as hard-working, practical and simple, was buried in a plain casket built by his sons, son-in-law and grandsons, helping give the family closure and pay tribute to their father and grandfather.

And the Waskos aren't alone. Homemade caskets are becoming more popular in at least one southern Idaho cemetery, and Idaho law makes it an accessible option for families.

Theodore Wasko Sr. of Kimberly died Sept. 27. While searching for a casket in which to bury him, Tony Wasko suggested building the casket after the family couldn't find one that reflected their patriarch.

See **CASKET**, Family Life 3



Ted Wasko's casket is surrounded by flowers from his home garden Oct. 1 at Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home in Twin Falls. He was laid to rest Oct. 2.

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Times-News

## SENIOR CALENDAR

## Twin Falls Senior Citizen Center

530 Shoshone St. W., Twin Falls. Lunch at noon. Suggested donation: \$4.50, seniors: \$5.50, under 60; \$2.50, under 12. Center hours: 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.; lounge and pool rooms; bargain center, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Daily lunches are available for take-out from 11 a.m. to noon; seniors 59 and under, \$5.50; seniors 60 and older, \$4.50. 734-5084.

## MENUS:

**Monday:** Sloppy Joe

**Tuesday:** Corned beef with cabbage

**Wednesday:** Liver and onions/meatloaf

**Thursday:** Baked potato bar

**Friday:** Fish

## ACTIVITIES:

**Today:** Unitarian Church service, 10 a.m.

Let's Dance with Lost Renegade band, 2 to 5 p.m.

**Monday:** Quilting, 8 a.m.

Fit and Fall Proof, 10:30 to 11:30 a.m.

Bridge, 1 p.m.

Tai chi, 1 p.m., \$1

Foot clinic, 1 p.m.

**Tuesday:** Ticket Tuesday at lunch

Duplicate bridge, 12:30 p.m.

Official Bingo, 1:30 to 5 p.m.

Oil painting by appointment, 734-0509

Let's Dance, 6 to 11 p.m.

**Wednesday:** Cinnamon rolls for sale, 8:30 to 11:30 a.m.; \$1.50 each

Quilting, 8 a.m.

Fit and Fall Proof, 10:30 to 11:30 a.m.

Blood pressure, 11 a.m. to noon

Duplicate bridge, 12:30 p.m.

Jackpot, Nev., trip, 3 to 9 p.m.

Pinochle, 7:30 p.m.

**Thursday:** Pinochle, 1 p.m.

Oil painting by appointment

Official Bingo, 6:30 to 10 p.m.

**Friday:** Quilting, 8 a.m.

Fit and Fall Proof, 10:30 to 11:30 a.m.

Texas Hold'em, 1 p.m.

Tai chi, 1 p.m., \$1

## Wendell Senior Meal Site

105 W. Ave. A. Lunch served at noon Mondays. Hours, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

## West End Senior Citizens Inc.

1010 Main St., Buhl. Lunch at noon. Suggested donation: \$4, seniors; \$5, under 60. Sunday buffet: 1 p.m.; \$5, seniors; \$6, under 60; \$4, under 12. Center hours: 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sunday; 8 a.m.

to 4 p.m. Monday, Tuesday, Thursday; 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. Wednesday.

## MENUS:

**Monday:** Split-pea soup, ham sandwich

**Tuesday:** Spaghetti and meatballs

**Wednesday:** Cook's choice

**Thursday:** Oven-fried chicken birthday dinner

## ACTIVITIES:

**Today:** Roast dinner, 1 p.m.

**Monday:** SilverSneakers exercise program, 10:30 a.m.

Foot clinic

**Tuesday:** Quilting, 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Bus runs for lunch pickup, call 543-4577 by 10:30 a.m.

**Wednesday:** SilverSneakers, 10:30 a.m.

**Thursday:** Quilting, 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Bus runs for lunch pickup, call 543-4577 by 10:30 a.m.

Bingo, 1 to 3 p.m.

Bingo, 7 p.m.

**Friday:** SilverSneakers, 10:30 a.m.

## Filer Senior Haven

222 Main St., Filer. Lunch at noon. Suggested donation: \$4. Center hours: 8 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

## MENUS:

**Tuesday:** Spaghetti with meat sauce

**Wednesday:** Tacos

**Thursday:** Roast beef

## ACTIVITIES:

**Monday:** Bingo, 6:30 p.m.

(open to public)

**Tuesday:** Puzzles, 11 a.m.

Bingo, noon

Idaho Food Bank, 1 to 4 p.m.

**Wednesday:** Puzzles, 11:30 a.m.

Board of directors, 1 p.m.

**Thursday:** Fiddlers, 11:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m.

Bingo, 1 p.m.

**Friday:** Pinochle, 7 p.m.

## Ageless Senior Citizens Inc.

310 Main St. N., Kimberly. Lunch and full-serve salad bar, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.; take-out; home delivery. Suggested donation: \$4, seniors; \$5, under 60; \$2.50, under 12. Center hours: 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

## ACTIVITIES:

**Monday:** Nu-2-U Thrift Store open 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Exercise, 10:30 a.m.

AA meeting, 8 p.m.

Al-Anon meeting, 8 p.m.

**Tuesday:** Bingo, 7 p.m.; everyone over 18 welcome

**Wednesday:** Nu-2-U open 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Exercise, 10:30 a.m.

**Thursday:** NA meeting, 7 p.m.

**Friday:** Nu-2-U open 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Exercise, 10:30 a.m.

Bingo, 11:50 a.m.

Pinochle, 1 p.m.

**Saturday:** Pinochle, 7 p.m., \$1 per player

## Gooding County Senior Citizen Center

308 Senior Ave., Gooding. Lunch at noon. Suggested donation: \$3.50 for seniors. Center hours: 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.

## MENUS:

**Monday:** Lasagna

**Tuesday:** Chicken pot pie

**Wednesday:** Macaroni and cheese/ham

**Thursday:** Chicken breast with artichoke hearts

## ACTIVITIES:

**Monday:** Pool, 9:30 a.m.

Pinochle, 12:30 p.m.

Wild card, 6 p.m.

**Tuesday:** Pool, 9:30 a.m.

Hand and foot, 6 p.m.

**Wednesday:** Pool, 9:30 a.m.

Board meeting, 1 p.m.

Shuffleboard, 6 p.m.

**Thursday:** Quilt social, 9 a.m.

Pool, 9:30 a.m.

Music by the Fiddlers

Pinochle, 7 p.m.

**Friday:** Bridge and duplicate bridge, 1 p.m.

## Hagerman Valley Senior and Community Center

140 E. Lake, Hagerman. Lunch at noon. Suggested donation: \$4, seniors; \$5, under 60; \$2, under 12. Center hours: 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.; thrift shop, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.; free high-speed Internet.

## MENUS:

**Monday:** Pork chops

**Wednesday:** Corned beef and cabbage

**Friday:** Meatloaf

## ACTIVITIES:

**Monday:** Blood draws, 8:30 to 10:30 a.m.

**Friday:** 2010 Humana Insurance plans/changes following lunch

## Jerome Senior Center

212 First Ave. E., Jerome. Lunch at noon. Suggested donation: \$3.50, seniors; \$5, non-seniors. Center hours: 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Free transportation to and from center Wednesdays through Fridays, call center for information at 324-5642.

## MENUS:

**Monday:** Salisbury loaf

**Tuesday:** Liver and onions

**Wednesday:** Country-fried steak

**Thursday:** Barbecue

**Friday:** Lasagna

## ACTIVITIES:

**Monday:** SilverSneakers exercise, 10:30 a.m.

Bridge, 12:30 p.m.

Free massages, 1 to 3 p.m.

**Tuesday:** SilverSneakers, 10:15 a.m.

Pinochle, 1 p.m.

Snack bar, 6 p.m.

Bingo, 7 p.m.; early bird, 6:45 p.m.

**Wednesday:** SilverSneakers, 10:30 a.m.

Bridge, 12:30 p.m.

Dick and John

Pinochle, 7 p.m.

**Thursday:** SilverSneakers, 10:15 a.m.

Free Will Baptist Church

potluck, 6 p.m.

**Friday:** SilverSneakers, 10:30 a.m.

Pinochle, 1 p.m.

Kids Club, 3:30 to 5 p.m.

## Silver and Gold Senior Center

210 E. Wilson, Eden. Lunch at noon. Suggested donation: \$3.50, seniors; \$5, non-seniors. Center hours: 7 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday; 8 a.m. to noon Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

## MENUS:

**Tuesday:** Orange chicken

**Thursday:** Potato bar

## ACTIVITIES:

**Tuesday:** Board meeting, 10 a.m.

**Wednesday:** Bingo, 7 p.m.

## Richfield Senior Center

130 S. Main, Richfield. Lunch at noon. Suggested donation: \$3.50, seniors; \$5.50, under 60.

## MENUS:

**Monday:** Spaghetti with meat sauce

**Thursday:** Italian meatball soup, grilled cheese sandwich

## Golden Years Senior Citizens Inc.

218 N. Rail St. W., Shoshone. Lunch at noon. Suggested donation: \$3.50, seniors; \$5.50, under 60. Center hours: 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday; 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday.

## MENUS:

**Tuesday:** Meatballs

**Wednesday:** Chicken noodle soup, tuna sandwich

**Friday:** Baked potato bar

## ACTIVITIES:

**Monday:** Exercise, 9 a.m.

Coffee, 10 a.m.

Quilting, 10 a.m.

**Tuesday:** Board meeting,

10:30 a.m.

Pinochle, 1:30 p.m.

Bingo

**Wednesday:** Black Out Bingo,

12:30 p.m.

**Friday:** Pinochle, 1 p.m.

Bingo

**Saturday:** Pancake breakfast

## Camas County Senior Center

127 Willow Ave. W., Fairfield. Lunch at noon. Suggested donation: \$3, seniors; \$4, under 60; \$2, under 10. Quilting, pool, table games, puzzles, TV, videos. Center hours: 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

## MENUS:

**Tuesday:** Sloppy Joe

**Wednesday:** Pork roast

**Friday:** Soup and sandwich

## ACTIVITIES:

**Thursday:** Art class, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

## Blaine County Senior Center

721 Third Ave. S., Hailey. Lunch at noon. Suggested donation: \$3, seniors; \$5, non-seniors. Center hours: 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday through Friday.

## MENUS:

**Monday:** Soup and salad bar,

hoagies

**Tuesday:** Breakfast brunch

**Wednesday:** Chicken noodle

casserole

**Thursday:** Chicken cacciatore

**Friday:** Baked ham

## ACTIVITIES:

**Monday:** Salad and soup bar,

11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Tai chi, 7 a.m.

Fit and Fall Proof, 10 a.m.

Blaine Manor tea, 3 p.m.

Duplicate bridge, 7 p.m.

**Tuesday:** Foot clinic, 9 a.m.

Blood pressure, 11:15 a.m.

Bingo, 1 p.m.

**Wednesday:** Board meeting,

8:30 a.m.

Fit and Fall Proof, 10 a.m.

**Thursday:** Carey birthday

lunch

**Friday:** Table tennis, 9 a.m.

Fit and Fall Proof, 10 a.m.

Hailey birthday lunch

## Minidoka County Senior Citizens Center

702 11th St., Rupert. Lunch at noon. Suggested donation: \$5, seniors; \$6, non-seniors; \$3, under 12; \$4.50, home delivery. Gift shop: 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Center hours: 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

## MENUS:

**Monday:** Pork chop

**Tuesday:** Taco salad

**Wednesday:** Chicken-fried

steak

**Thursday:** Hot dog

**Friday:** Chicken/fish/pork

chop

## ACTIVITIES:

**Monday:** Pinochle, 1 to 4 p.m.

**Wednesday:** Pinochle, 1 to 4

p.m.

**Thursday:** SHIBA and

Medicare assistance, 10 a.m.

to 4 p.m.; call George

Schwindeman at 436-9107 or

Kitty Andrews at 677-4872 for

appointments

**Friday:** Pinochle, 1 to 4 p.m.

Bingo, 7 p.m.

## Golden Heritage Senior Center

2421 Overland Ave., Burley. Lunch at noon. Suggested donation: \$4.50, seniors and children under 12; \$6, non-seniors. Center hours: 8:30 a.m. to 2 p.m.

## MENUS:

**Monday:** Fish burger

**Tuesday:** Piggys in blankets

**Wednesday:** Birthday/anniversary dinner

**Thursday:** Spanish rice

**Friday:** Chicken-fried steak

## ACTIVITIES:

**Monday:** Pool

Pinochle, 1 p.m.

Exercise

**Tuesday:** Pool

Wood carving, 8:30 a.m.

Radio show, 9:06 a.m.

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# No texting at dinner! Parenting in the digital era

By Karyn D. Collins  
For The Associated Press

Holly Kopczynski always prided herself on raising her kids the right way, teaching them etiquette basics like saying "please" and "thank you."

Then it happened. "We were at a restaurant for my mom's birthday. I looked over and there are my daughter and my oldest son texting, holding their phones under the table," said the mom of four in Lewiston, Idaho. "I just came unglued. I was like, 'Are you kidding? You're at your grandma's birthday party. Put those phones away now!'"

We all know teens love their gadgets — more for texting than talking. But the devices are posing some new challenges for parents. How can they teach their tech-savvy kids some electronic etiquette?

So far, parents are learning on the fly, imposing new rules for their young offenders such as "no texting at dinner."

Beth Herina of Ringwood, N.J., made that rule two years ago because her 13-year-old son was texting friends at the dinner table. She has another rule, too: No texting on family outings.

"He can text en route but not when it is family time," she said. "And I ask questions about who he is texting."

Her son Dylan may not like mom's rules, but she considers them mild. Her brother-in-law goes into his children's cell phone accounts to read their texts.

When it comes to gadgets like cell phones and computers, some kids and even some adults don't seem to consider their gadget behavior rude, said P.M. Forni, co-founder of Johns Hopkins University's Civility Initiative.

"We're seeing behavior that you never would have seen before," he said. "Students getting up in the middle of class to answer their phones, texting during class, students watching TV on their laptops during lectures."

Kopczynski said she told her 20-year-old son and 16-year-old daughter to shut their phones off and put them away, which they did, but it was their reaction to her order that still bothers her.

"That was a sad moment for me," she said. "I grew

up with rules, the 'no elbows on the table' kind of things. And I've raised my kids with that. But they didn't even realize what they were doing."

It's not only cell phones that parents are restricting.

Many are establishing control over their children's computer use — setting themselves up as administrators for Internet accounts, asking kids questions about who they are communicating with online, and at times looking directly over their shoulders at the screen.

Some even go so far as to put the computer in a common area of the house so they can monitor the sites their children are visiting.

Laura Lambert, a Chicago mom of four, tries not to implement time limits and other rules. Her 16-year-old son has his own laptop now after years of using the family computer.

"What I've found is if you say you only get 90 minutes, they obsess about it all day and they rush through everything else and it almost elevates the importance of it," she said.

"I find they regulate (their usage) better if I just say 'I want you to balance your time better so you can get everything else done.'"

For kids, the rules and parent checks can seem intrusive and a bit extreme.

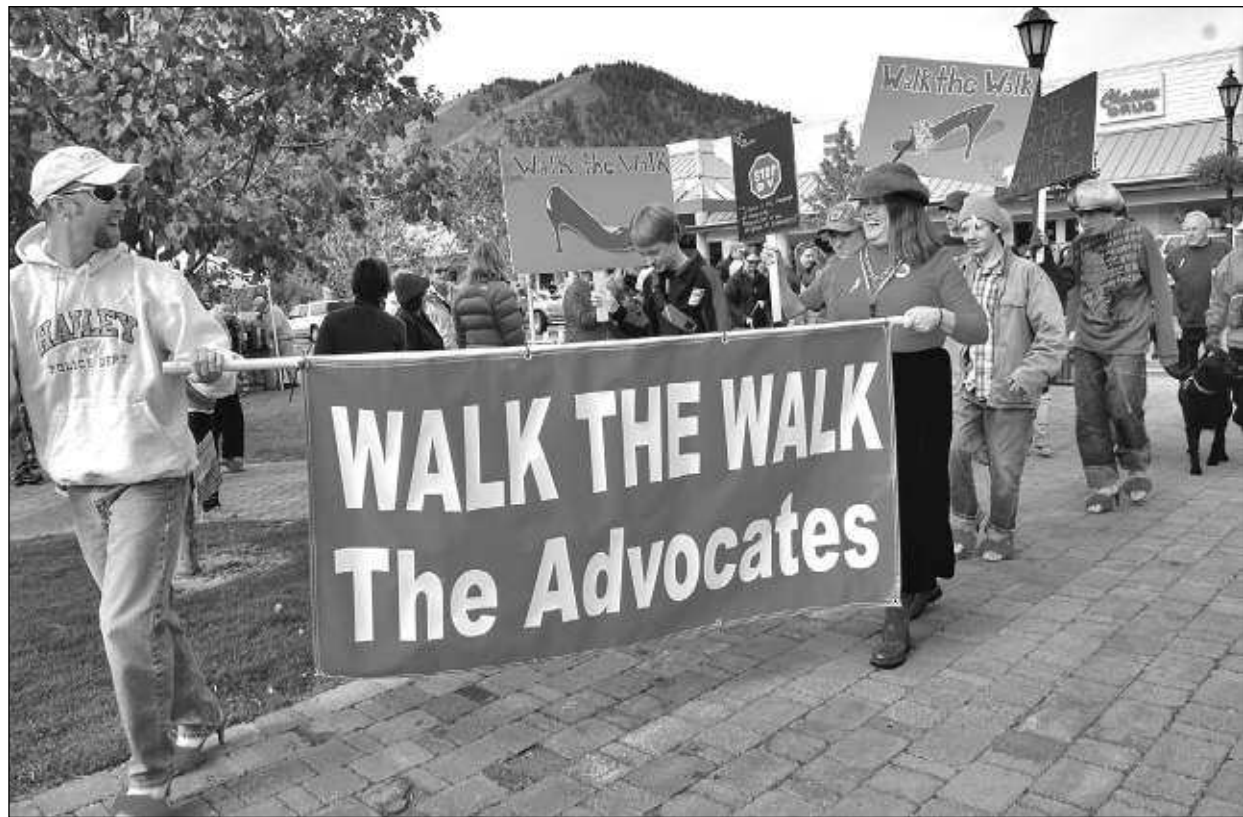
Kopczynski's daughter Kaitlyn had her phone taken away recently because she was texting after her mother told her to turn it off.

"I guess I understand why there are rules," Kaitlyn said. "But I don't think I'm that bad. I have a lot of friends who don't have rules at all."

Joy Weaver, whose Dallas-based Protocol Enterprises offers etiquette classes for all ages, said parents should begin establishing rules and expectations early on about cell phones and computer use. Monitor usage closely with the help of available applications and programs, she said.

Sending a consistent message to children is also crucial.

"You can't have two sets of rules," she said. "If you don't want your children to text at the dinner table you need to ignore your own phone or excuse yourself from the table, too."



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Teri Beck leads a domestic-violence awareness event Oct. 3 in downtown Ketchum. Also holding the sign, at left, is Advocates board member and Hailey Police Lt. Steve England.

## Friendship

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but we don't dwell on it," Teri said. "If you can talk about it with somebody, you can let it go. It's laid to rest."

More often, though, theirs is like any good friendship, full of laughter and hugs and conversations about nothing.

When Teri carried the Advocates' flag at the group's awareness walk in Ketchum earlier this month, Dana was there at the finish line, grinning and applauding. When Dana locked herself out of her apartment while doing laundry, Teri brought over her spare, and sugar for her coffee the next morning.

They also aren't shy about their feelings for each other.

"I just tell Teri I love her lots," Dana said.

"I'm so glad you're here, every time we see each other," Teri said.

Dana even jokes that she's glad she was abused, because without it, the two likely never would have been friends. "Never thought you'd say that?" Teri exclaimed.

Though the two became close soon after they met, building friendships with others hasn't been easy or quick. It took Dana four years after her late-night arrival at the shelter to begin making new friends outside its community. It was lonely, she said.

"I used to be really open; now I'm guarded." She's unwilling to put herself in a situation where she might again begin to subsume her emotional needs. And although she has male friends, she hasn't dated seriously. "I would rather be single and be a whole person than be in an abusive relationship so I'm not lonely."

Despite the unique

## NEED HELP? WANT TO HELP?

Several groups help abused women in south-central Idaho, including these:

- **The Advocates.** P.O. Box 3216, Hailey. Office: 788-4191. Help line: 788-6070 or (888) 676-0066. theadvocates-aplacetogo.org
- **Crisis Center of Magic Valley.** P.O. Box 2444, Twin Falls. 733-0100 or (800) 882-3236. Executive director Deborah Gabardi, gabardi@cableone.net. www.crisiscenterofmagicvalley.com
- **Mini-Cassia Shelter for Women & Children.** 123 S. C St., Rupert. Office: 436-0987. Help line: 436-0332. mcshelterwc.org. Healing Hearts Support Group meets at 6 p.m. Tuesdays.

understanding gained through a shared history of abuse, it isn't always easy being friends with victims, as some fall back into negative patterns.

"One of my dear friends is back in an abusive relationship," Dana said. "I had to cut that friendship off, it was too painful."

Though losing a friend and knowing someone is being abused is difficult, both Dana and Teri say they find reward in paying their experience forward.

Dana talks to parents she knows, especially single fathers of daughters, about red flags to look out for in relationships, and she has just joined the Advocates board. Teri continues as night manager at the shelter and organizes events like the awareness walk.

And at the end of the day, they know they have each other. There's a hug waiting, and a trustworthy ear.

Ariel Hansen may be reached at 208-788-3475.

## Casket

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"We were looking at prices and looking what they looked like and, it's like, our dad taught us how to build things, why don't we go ahead and build it ourselves?" Tony said.

The men started on the casket Sept. 28 and finished early the next morning. They used their father's tools and woodworking shop, where he had operated his business, Wasko's Blacksmith and Welding Shop, for 50 years. They worked through the night, using materials they found in the shop supplemented with purchased wood. They skipped lining the casket with leather, partly because the ceremony wouldn't be open-casket and partly as homage to Ted Sr.'s simplicity.

"We all felt like he would have been fine with having a simple casket inside," said Milt Cochrane, Ted's son-in-law. "The man that it was for lived his life by a simple means. And he had a talent to be able to look at almost any problem you had

in a real simple way and had simple, feasible solutions. I think, in that respect, the whole idea of the casket is really fitting to him."

No Idaho law specifically governs homemade caskets or the materials used to construct them, said Jim Hale, superintendent of Pleasant View Cemetery in Burley. By law, all caskets must fit within a concrete vault which encloses the casket to prevent decomposed material from contaminating the soil and to stop the ground from sinking into the grave.

Hale said he has seen a spike in both homemade caskets and headstones in the past year, a change which he attributes to the economy.

Online, casket prices range from \$600 for basic wood boxes to more than \$10,000 for caskets with high-quality wood and ornamental details.

"Times are hard," Hale said.

The effect isn't universal, however. Norma Bartholomew of the Jerome



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Ted Wasko's family built his sturdy casket and adorned it with details like this branded W and tools Wasko had used during his years as a blacksmith.

Cemetery District said she hasn't seen any homemade caskets in the five years she has been in the funeral business. Most clients buy theirs from mortuaries, she said.

The Wasko family's decision to make their own casket was less financial than sentimental. Using the father's tools helped bring some family members closure.

"It was a healing process and a little pride mixed in there, probably, being able

to use his tools, his shop," Tony said.

For Debbie Cochrane, the process was a testament to her father's way of life.

"It was a really cool tribute to my dad, I think," she said.

Ted Wasko Jr. agreed: "It probably helps feel like we were able to contribute one last time to his existence, I guess you'd say."

Melissa Davlin may be reached at 208-735-3234.



AP photo

Dylan Herina, 13, uses his cell phone to text as his mother and father, Beth and Peter, sit in another part of their family room in their home in Ringwood, N.J. Dylan has strict rules as to when and where he can text.

## C-section or not?

How did your bundle of joy come into the world? Whether you loved your Cesarean section, had complications or fought for a vaginal birth, the *Times-News* would like to share your story in an upcoming article about C-section rates. Contact features writer Melissa Davlin at melissa.davlin@lee.net or 208-735-3234.

## HANDY WITH A HAMMER

See second- and third-place winners in the *Times-News* DIY Championships.

TUESDAY IN HOME & GARDEN

## CLEANING CORNER

### Question:

My husband and I just recently moved to Idaho. We love the area and the wonderful lifestyle here, but goodness... what's with your hard water? My sinks and showers get gross and scaly with nasty stains and stubborn buildup. You're my only hope Lori! I'm a newly-sprouted Idaho Spud, making a few new adjustments. Can you help?

"City Girl Hard Up with Hard Water"

### Answer:

Welcome to Paradise! I've lived in the great state of Idaho my entire life, and can proudly say I'm a survivor of hard water trauma! You can be too! For your showers and sinks, nothing tackles hard water scum and scale better than **Showers 'N Stuff**. For hard water spots on windows (usually caused from lawn sprinkler overspray) there's only one product... **Once Over**. You'll be amazed as you watch those nasty, stubborn stains disappear!

Frustrated with a stubborn cleaning problem? Write or e-mail your questions to: [lchandler@cleaningcenters.com](mailto:lchandler@cleaningcenters.com)

483 Washington St. N. Twin Falls, ID (Corner of Washington St. N. and Filer Ave.)



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## CONCERT

The First of Our  
50th Anniversary Season!

Sunday, October 18, 4:00 pm  
CSI Fine Arts Auditorium

Allen Vizzutti, World-Famous Trumpet Soloist  
Laura Vincent Vizzutti, Piano Soloist

Festive Overture	Concierto Mexicano
Somewhere Over the Rainbow	Rialto Ripples
La Virgen de la Macarena	by George Gershwin
"The Bull Fighter's Song"	The Carnival of Venice

### Special Events

Piano & Brass Workshops

Friday, October 16, Call 733-1079

Celebrity Luncheon with Allen & Laura

Saturday, October 17, Noon

Rick Allen Room, CSI Herrett Center

Call 736-8210 or 733-4678

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MAGIC VALLEY SYMPHONY

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MUSIC THEATRE FOR KIDS

# Books for kids and the cooks they love

By Michele Kayal  
For The Associated Press

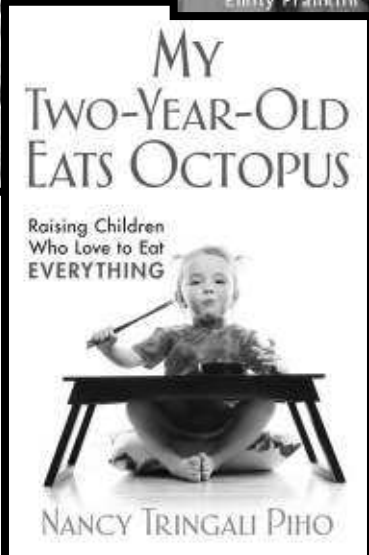
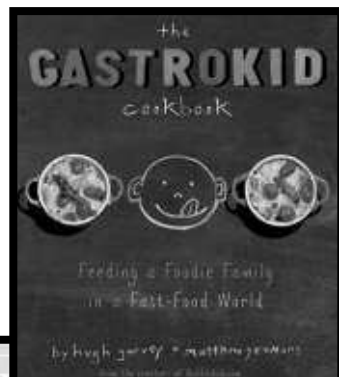
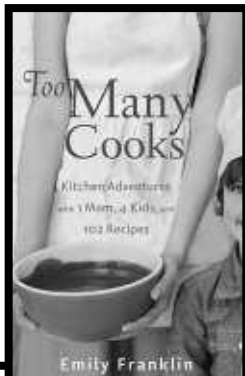
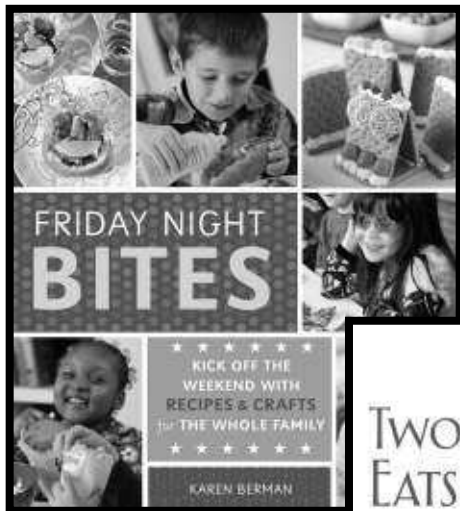
What could be more embarrassing than admitting your kid doesn't like sushi? Or will only eat food that's white?

If previous generations encouraged their progeny to become doctors or lawyers or president, today's parents want their kids to be "foodies."

A new group of books offers advice and recipes for cultivating a genuine love of good food — not hiding the broccoli in the brownies. Though the books vary from almost scholarly to just a tad goofy, all take the same approach to combating the chicken fingers-and-pizza kid menu: Express your love of food to your kids. Don't feed them separate meals. Expose them to new tastes and culinary experiences as often as possible. And for goodness' sake, eat together.

**"My Two-Year-Old Eats Octopus: Raising Children Who Love to Eat Everything"** by Nancy Tringali Pihó (Bull Publishing, 2009)

It's a lot to read on the subject — more than 300 pages — but if you're bent on raising a gourmet this is your Dr. Spock. Author Nancy Tringali Pihó isn't interested in getting your kids to eat spinach. Rather, this almost scholarly tome seeks to create well-rounded eaters who are open to the tastes and cultural experiences that food offers. Food appreciation starts in utero, she argues, and with your help, continues through life. Intelligent discussion on issues — including how to enjoy your children's company at the table and how to address the food peer pres-



sure imposed by children's friends — guides parents in communicating the meaning and value of good food.

**"Too Many Cooks: Kitchen Adventures with 1 Mom, 4 Kids, and 102 Recipes"** by Emily Franklin (Voice, 2009)

This delightfully written memoir puts into practice what "Octopus" preaches. Novelist and former professional chef Emily Franklin chronicles her yearlong mission to introduce her four children to exotic foods from purple potatoes to curried goat. Franklin mixes tales of wonder, such as seeing Mommy "covered in goo" after smashing a coconut, with more than 100 recipes that were tested on her own kids. Recipes range from simple (roasted broccoli) to imaginative (crunchy sesame tofu).

If your life leaves little time for reading, cut straight to the chase with several cookbooks aimed at pleasing prepubescent palates.

**"The Gastrokid Cookbook: Feeding a Foodie Family in a Fast-Food World"** by Hugh Garvey and Matthew Yeomans (Wiley, 2009)

More than 70 "kid-tested, adult-friendly" recipes fill this book born from the authors' disdain for children's menus. A smattering of general advice — don't "balkanize" your children by feeding them separate meals, be satisfied when they try something new even if they don't like it — precedes appealing recipes like roasted chickpea bruschetta and parmesan

chicken cutlets. While these will take you less than 30 minutes, other recipes, such as orange and ginger soy pork ribs, will take several hours. Though the authors sometimes appear too focused on reprising recipes from trendy New York restaurants, they offer quick ways to doctor pantry staples, such as adding spinach or truffle oil to a box of organic macaroni and cheese.

**"Paula Deen's Cookbook for the Lunch-Box Set"** by Paula Deen (Simon and Schuster Books for Young Readers, 2009)

Once your kids are interested in

food, they might also be interested in cooking it. "Lunch-Box Set" offers more than 60 kid-doable recipes for sleepovers, bake sales and, of course, the lunch box. Aimed at ages 7 through about 13, the book promotes cooking with family and friends. Using a little less butter and sugar than she usually does, the Food Network personality guides young cooks through peanut butter-oatmeal muffins and pan-fried chicken and popovers, and includes cooking tips and — here's where parents will clap — lessons on manners. A pictorial guide to tools and ingredients makes the book fun and kid-friendly.

**"Friday Night Bites: Kick Off the Weekend with Recipes and Crafts for the Whole Family"** by Karen Berman (Running Press, 2009)

The idea of cooking dinner and supervising a craft activity at the same time is enough to make the sturdiest parent break out in a cold sweat. But this book's intentions are pure: designate a night to do something special as a family. Some of the themed events like dinner on the moon, in which participants create a centerpiece that shows the phases of the moon and eat distant star salad (which includes the sure-to-need-coaxing starfruit) and receive a short astronomy lesson seem frighteningly ambitious. But others, such as the silly hat night and backward night, could actually happen in most households with a little finagling. Whether your family tackles the recipes, crafts and lessons as a complete event or just latches onto one of the fun themes, the book promotes family together time.

## Tips for engaging children in the kitchen

By Caryn Rousseau  
Associated Press writer

EVANSTON, Ill. — The Spatulatta sisters, better known as Isabella and Olivia Gerasole, learned to make delicate pizzelle cookies from their grandmother and Hawaiian salads from their mother, and acquired a love of all foods Italian from their dad.

They also learned how to turn all that quality kitchen time into a budding culinary career, with a cookbook and a James Beard Award-winning Web site to their credit. All by the age of 13 and 11.

"Your parents are the ones who teach you to have domestic abilities," said the eldest, Isabella, as the siblings sat in their suburban Chicago kitchen after making basil pesto and caprese salad. "It's a fun way to spend time with family, family history and family culture."

In an era when many parents struggle just to get dinner on the table, never mind involve the kids in the prep, the Gerasole sisters are an enviable example of the difference a little stove time with the little ones can make.

Research repeatedly has shown children eat healthier foods, are more confident and learn valuable life and academic skills when they cook with their families. So for on-the-go parents looking to get cooking with their kids, the experts offer some easy advice.

Start by embracing the fact that they are children. Mistakes will happen, says Food Network host Guy Fieri.

"You can't do everything for a kid in cooking and expect them to get the whole experience," he said. "Yes, there's the potential they're going to drop the cookie sheet, but we've got to let them be involved."

Fieri, who makes pizza and popcorn with his two young sons, urges parents to be cautious with kids in the kitchen but also give them enough freedom to make the experience meaningful. This includes involving them in decisions of what to make.

Barbara Beery, a kids cooking expert and president of the Batter Up Kids cooking school in Austin, Texas, said parents need to make sure their children are given age-appropriate



The Spatulatta sisters, better known as child cooks 13-year-old Isabella Gerasole, right, and 11-year-old Olivia, prepare dinner and talk about their school day at home in Evanston, Ill.

tasks that won't be too hard.

"If it's too difficult it's going to defeat the purpose," Beery said.

She said 2-year-olds can scrub food clean, 3-year-olds can put toppings on a pizza or decorate cookies, 4-year-olds can crack eggs over a bowl or spread peanut butter with small spatulas and 5-year-olds can measure ingredients, stir with spoons or knead dough.

Choosing recipes wisely is key, Beery said. She suggests recipes that are simple to put together, have fewer ingredients, quick preparation and fast finish time. Parents also should have something to occupy children, a coloring book or games, while they're waiting for the dish to cook.

Tanya Wenman Steel, editor-in-chief of recipe site Epicurious.com and co-author of "Real Food for Healthy Kids," said parents should manage their kitchen time for efficiency and organization. Plan a night for cooking with the children so you aren't trying to jam it in on busier days. She suggests making two or three dishes

together on Sunday that can be leftover lunch and dinner the rest of the week.

"A roast chicken on Sunday can be lunch Monday," she said. "A casserole type of food or a stew always tastes better the next day. You can keep up every day by doing something for the next day."

More tips from Steel: Children can toss a big bag of lettuce from the grocer with olive oil and vinegar for a ready-made side dish. And they can microwave a baked potato or sweet potato and pair it with light sour cream. Younger children can make a simple dessert of fruit and ice cream.

Bridget Swinney, a registered dietitian, family eating expert and author of "Baby Bites," a book about feeding babies and toddlers, said children love making dishes that include toppings, like pizza, tacos or pancakes. Parents can set out ingredients and let children decide what to add, she said.

"That's when it's really fun for kids to experiment and let their imagination go," Swinney said.

Beery suggests parents

put ingredients in muffin tins or other small containers that fit kid-sized hands. She also said while parents don't have to buy kids cooking sets, kid-friendly smaller utensils do make cooking easier for children. And they enjoy having their own tools.

"They have to have appropriately sized tools to be able to manipulate them," Beery said. "If they don't, they're not going to be able to do it."

And don't forget, children can help clean up, too. Beery suggests giving children their own colored sponges and having them wipe up as they go along. She also said setting out a scrap bowl for items like vegetable peels and extra pieces of dough can cut down on messes.

As for advice for the kids? Try to ignore how unhip your parents are.

"Parents can be a little bit embarrassing at times," said Isabella Gerasole. "Maybe you don't want to spend so much time with them sometimes. But really, they love you and they care about you. So it's important. Spend some time with them by cooking with them in the kitchen."

## Foodie writers foster culinary children

By Caryn Rousseau  
Associated Press writer

CHICAGO — During a Miami vacation, Nancy Tringali Pihó's 2-year-old son reached over and grabbed a piece of octopus from the table's ceviche platter.

"He just couldn't get enough of it," she said. "All the people in the restaurant were turning around. They couldn't believe it!"

Pihó turned the episode into the title of her new book, "My Two-Year-Old Eats Octopus: Raising Children Who Love to Eat Everything." She's one of several culinary authors with recent books offering personal stories and tips for foodie parents looking to share the meals they love with their children — no matter what's on the menu.

"When we go to restaurants, if they have a kid's menu, that's the last thing we look at," said Hugh Garvey, features editor at Bon Appetit magazine and author with Matthew Yeomans of "Gastrokid Cookbook: Feeding a Foodie Family in a Fast-Food World."

Garvey said his 8-year-old daughter and 5-year-old son eat artisanal cheeses, anchovy and olive pizza and even bear meat.

"We say don't cook down to your kids," Garvey said. "Don't condescend to them through food. Let them try anything and everything and leave it up to them. You can bias them and we try not to do that to them."

Emily Franklin, author of "Too Many Cooks: Kitchen Adventures with 1 Mom, 4 Kids, and 102 Recipes," said she doesn't make separate meals for her children and wants them to expand their palates. Her goal was to introduce her children to 100 types of food over a

year.

"We felt like the world is becoming a giant nugget — chicken nuggets and pizza nuggets," Franklin said. "Kids are scared of trying new things. They rely on routine, but just being able to understand new stuff is not scary. Their willingness to try new things across the board is remarkable now."

The movement comes out of a generation of foodie parents who want to share their culinary loves with their children, the authors said.

"As we have become sophisticated with our own palates, our children have followed along with us," said Tanya Wenman Steel, editor of Epicurious.com and co-author of the book "Real Food for Healthy Kids."

"We didn't give up going to good restaurants and we didn't leave our kids behind," Garvey said. "We held on to our food ideals and we're still cooking great foods within the constraints of a family!"

Other parents see it as a form of bonding.

Matthew Amster-Burton, who wrote "Hungry Monkey: A Food-Loving Father's Quest to Raise an Adventurous Eater," fed his 5-year-old daughter mashed and cut up pad thai and spicy enchiladas when she was 8 months old.

"Food is kind of our thing," Amster-Burton said. "She's happy to look through a cookbook with me. She'll speculate about things she wants to eat."

Before she was a mother, Franklin was a chef on luxury yachts. Food allows her to tell her children about that part of her life, she said.

"If you really love food, you want to be able to share it with people who you love," Franklin said. "It would be a shame to just share peanut



Matthew Amster-Burton watches as daughter Iris, 5, eats a dish they cooked together called 'ants in a tree' at their home in Seattle. Pork represents the ants, and noodles stand in for the tree branches. AP file photo

# Flickering light bulbs mark widow's healing

By Tracy Grant

The Washington Post

The act of dealing with flickering fluorescent tubes should have been about as remarked upon as getting out of bed each morning. But there is nothing linear or predictable about grief.

Dan Flavin's "Monument for V. Tatlin" (1969-70) — National Gallery of Art

**T**oday, I changed the four-foot fluorescent light bulbs in the laundry room that have been flickering annoyingly for the past six weeks. I have no idea how long fluorescent bulbs last, but I know that he's been gone almost 18 months, and for months before that he was in no condition to do home repairs, so the bulbs had to have lasted two years, maybe longer.

I didn't buy the unwieldy new bulbs intending to change them myself. The electrician was coming in to solve another lighting woe, and I figured I could ask him to fix the laundry room problem at the same time.

But once the tubes were in the house I thought, "I can do that!" I had helped him with the six-foot tubes in his basement workroom, handing the white cylinders up to him while steadying the ladder. I recalled him saying something about how you had to roll them — either into or out of place. So that's what I did, rolled them until the flickering bulbs died and released into my hands. Then I rolled again until the new tubes clicked, nestled in their electric cradle.

I flicked the switch

uncertainly. The lights sputtered and stuttered for a moment before the too-small laundry room with the mismatched washer and dryer was flooded in the harsh, unflattering, too-bright light cast by properly working fluorescent tubes. I carried the old ones out to the garage, destined for the trash, except that I knew that he had touched them, his fingerprints were on them. Part of his enduring connection to me, to our sons. So perhaps they won't make it out to the curb this week or next or for many weeks in the future.

Perhaps after I'm gone and our boys-turned-men are going through the house, they'll find two fluorescent tubes, along with the brush that still contains strands of his strawberry-tinged-with-gray hair, his toothbrush and his experimental chemo drugs. Perhaps they'll know that they are there as testament to the DNA of the father who had once lived here but hadn't for a very long time. Or perhaps they'll think their mother a packrat of the most bizarre sort.

But what I know and what I know he knows is that changing those bulbs was not a quotidian act. It was a sign as bright as that

cast by those new tubes — of coping, of management, of progress, perhaps even of healing.

What is unclear to me is why this simple act — one that seems almost a setup to a sick joke ("How many widows does it take to change a light bulb?") — seemed so transformative. I have not spent the past 18 months curled in the fetal position: These light bulbs do not represent my first tentative foray back into the real world.

I learned very quickly that all those tasks that he did around the house — the ones that I never appreciated or paid much attention to, the ones that I found far less important than the work I did of making meals and volunteering at school, of carpooling and running to doctors' appointments — still needed to be done, whether he was here or not. So I learned about documenting finances in Quicken and backing up hard drives. I also learned that it's well worth it to pay someone to mow the lawn rather than to do it myself.

And I learned just as quickly that the things you do as a couple, as partners, lovers, parents, still need to be done — even when the incongruity of just being

one threatens to overwhelm. So I flew across country with our sons for the dream family trip to Yellowstone, the trip the four of us were set to leave on when disease struck. And I sat alone in a hospital waiting room while one of those boys had a tumor removed from his ear. Sat and wondered — only somewhat irrationally — if the nightmare were beginning anew.

I've dealt with funeral directors, lawyers, accountants, insurance adjusters — even the IRS. So the act of dealing with flickering fluorescent tubes should have been about as remarked upon as getting out of bed each morning. But there is nothing linear or predictable about grief. A soul does not heal the way a femur does. Sometimes the biggest victories — the promotion at work, the honor-roll report card — ring the most hollow because he is not there to share them.

And sometimes the smallest victories become the ones that matter most. God does not send lightning bolts to mark progress on this journey. The message is much more subtle — delivered, perhaps, in the no longer flickering of a four-foot fluorescent tube.

## Recession skews childbearing plans

By Rob Stein  
The Washington Post

The recession is apparently prompting more women to try to delay having babies, according to the first survey aimed at documenting the effects of the economic downturn on childbearing.

The survey, commissioned by the Guttmacher Institute, a private, non-profit reproductive-health research organization, involved 947 women ages 18 to 34 with household incomes of less than \$75,000; it was conducted in July and August.

Significant findings:

- **Forty-four percent** reported that, because of the economy, they want to reduce or delay childbear-

ing. Most of these women want to get pregnant later (31 percent), want fewer children than previously planned (28 percent) or now do not want any more children (7 percent).

- **Nearly half** of those who want no more children reported that, because of the economy, they are thinking more about sterilization.

- **Nearly one in four** women reported having put off a gynecological or birth-control visit in the past year, to save money.

- **Eight percent** reported that they sometimes did not use birth control in order to save money.

- **Among women** using the birth-control pill, 18 percent reported inconsistent use as a way to save money.

## WEDDINGS

### Atkins-Swank

Scott and Marjie Atkins of Twin Falls announce the wedding of their daughter, Rebecca Jean Atkins, to Matthew Lynus Swank, son of Ron and Eileen Swank of Crystal Lake, Illinois.

Becky is a 2003 graduate of Twin Falls High School, and earned her Masters Degree in Mathematics at Utah State University. She is currently teaching math at Alta High School in Sandy, Utah.

Matthew is a 2003 graduate of Prairie Ridge High School, and is earning his Masters Degree in



Rebecca and Matthew Swank

Mechanical Engineering at Utah State University.

The ceremony took place on July 31 at the Twin Falls First Presbyterian Church. The couple now resides in Sandy, Utah.

### George-Clark

Rebecca Lynn George and Nicholas Lane Clark were married August 2nd, 2009 at a private residence in Hillsboro, OR.

Rebecca is the daughter of Kevin and Janet George of Laurelwood, OR. She is a graduate of Gaston High School and a 2008 graduate of Warner Pacific College. She is an Administrative Assistant for Fisher Farms in Gaston.

Nic is the son of Ted and Dianne Clark of Castelford, ID. He is a graduate of Castelford High School



Rebecca and Nicholas Clark

and a 2009 graduate of Pacific University College of Optometry.

After honeymooning in Hawaii, the couple will reside in Forest Grove, OR.

## ENGAGEMENTS

### Brown-Hatch

Deanna and John McGhee of Dietrich and J-2 and Karen Brown of Richfield would like to announce the engagement of their daughter, Maighan Brown to Leaven Hatch, son of Daryl and Marcy Anderson and Les and Leona Hatch.

The couple will be getting married at a private ceremony on October 24, 2009, with a reception following later in the day at 6:00 p.m. in the McFall Hotel in Shoshone.

Maighan is a graduate of Dietrich High School and is currently employed by Costco Wholesale. Leaven is a graduate of Dietrich High School and is cur-



Maighan Brown and Leaven Hatch

rently employed by Les Schwab Tires. The couple will make their home in Richfield, Idaho.

For all the family and close friends that may have been missed, the bride and groom would like to send out an open invitation to join them for their reception.

## STORK REPORT

### St. Luke's Magic Valley Medical Center

**Ariah Jay Martindale**, daughter of Tori Danae Beer of Twin Falls, was born Sept. 24, 2009.

**Lacey Jo Hohnhorst**, daughter of Brandy Lee Low of Gooding, was born Sept. 25, 2009.

**Benjamin Michael Landrian II**, son of Melissa Jean Hefty and Benjamin Michael Landrian of Wendell, was born Sept. 27, 2009.

**Marlow Arreola**, son of Zochicalpa and Abdel G. Arreola of Wendell, was born Sept. 28, 2009.

**Chloe Christine Bowden**, daughter of Heather Christine and Richard G. Bowden of Gooding, was born Sept. 29, 2009.

**Analia Yaire Ochoa**, daughter of Yolanda Diaz Cintora and Juan DeDios Luna Ochoa of Jerome, was born Sept. 29, 2009.

**Ryan Perry Weilder**, son of Heather Rose Weilder of Twin Falls, was

born Sept. 29, 2009.

**Stacy Bhattarai**, daughter of Tanka and Ram Bhattarai of Twin Falls, was born Sept. 30, 2009.

**Cade William Mangum**, son of Alyssa Mae Thompson and Andrew Justin Mangum of Gooding, was born Sept. 30, 2009.

**Jack Joseph Quincy Marcotte**, son of Erin Marie and Joseph Conrad Marcotte of Jerome, was born Sept. 30, 2009.

**Nicolas Leon Noriega**, son of Jenny Louise and Jaime Noriega of Twin Falls, was born Sept. 30, 2009.

**Ryan Martin Perry**, son of Sara Ann and Kevan Ryan Perry of Twin Falls, was born Sept. 30, 2009.

**Ella Leak**, daughter of Barbara and Jordan Sean Leak of Jerome, was born Oct. 1, 2009.

**Christopher Yasier Polomares Valdez**, son of Victoria Valdez Cervantes and Federico Polomares Solorio of Jerome, was born

Oct. 1, 2009.

**Brazon Jade Wells**, son of Stephanie Diane and Dustin Jade Wells of Buhl, was born Oct. 1, 2009.

**Troy Blaine Worden**, son of Jillian Leigh Ashcroft and Jonathan Mark Worden of Twin Falls, was born Oct. 1, 2009.

**Taylyn Reese Fowler**, daughter of Tiffany Jean and Scott Anderson Fowler of Twin Falls, was born Oct. 2, 2009.

**Madison Nicole Morgan**, daughter of Carissa Michelle and Wyatt Jones Morgan of Jerome, was born Oct. 2, 2009.

To submit engagement, wedding and anniversary announcements, contact Janet Cranney at 735-3253, or e-mail her at [announcements@magicvalley.com](mailto:announcements@magicvalley.com).

**Deadline is 5:00 pm Tuesday** for the following Sunday.

**Camila Hella Pulido**, daughter of Sandra and Jose Luis Pulido of Jerome, was born Oct. 2, 2009.

**Sajan Rana**, son of Man and Dhan Rana of Twin Falls, was born Oct. 2, 2009.

**Halli Anne Starley**, daughter of Tysi Lynne and Ronald Joseph Starley of Twin Falls, was born Oct. 3, 2009.



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## ANNIVERSARIES

### The Spains



William and Edna Spain

William (Wimpy) and Edna (Shy) Spain are celebrating 35 years of marriage.

They were married October 11, 1974 at Valley Christian Church in Twin Falls.

They have lived in Twin Falls and owned and operated Statewide Collections for years.

They are involved in



numerous church activities and are mentors through the College of Southern Idaho.

Their children are Deb (Ray) Hagley, Karen (Gerald) Ayers, Mike Thompson, Rob (Cynthia) Spain, Steve (Mary) Spain, Sue Spain, and Wade (Kristi) Spain.

They have 14 grandchildren and numerous great grandchildren.

# Kids Only

## SPONGEBOB WOULD GIVE HIS STAMP OF APPROVAL



U.S. Postal Service  
New stamps feature fish and sea creatures in a forest of seaweed. October is National Stamp Collecting Month.

The Washington Post

It's October, and that means National Stamp Collecting Month. Every year the U.S. Postal Service unveils new stamps in honor of the occasion, and this year it has gone to new depths for inspiration — really.

The new stamp sheet, featuring 10 first-class stamps, is a painted scene based on the Monterey Bay National Marine Sanctuary in California. In an unusual twist, the Postal Service unveiled the “Nature of America: Kelp Forest” stamp sheets underwater (using scuba divers) in a 28-foot-tall kelp forest exhibit at the Monterey Bay Aquarium. You can see the Kelp Cam at [www.montereybayaquarium.org](http://www.montereybayaquarium.org).

A kelp forest is a unique undersea ecosystem created by large areas of living seaweed, the more common name for kelp. This underwater plant life provides shelter and food for many species of fish and other sea creatures.

The new stamps are part of an educational series produced by the Postal Service featuring plant and animal scenes. The kelp forest stamp sheet features 27 species, with the name of each listed on the back.

## Why the U.S. fights in Afghanistan

By Margaret Webb Pressler and Rajiv Chandrasekaran  
The Washington Post

For a few years, you've heard a lot about the war in Iraq. But recently, there has been a lot of news about fighting in Afghanistan. U.S. troops increasingly are being wounded or killed there, including eight in one attack on a recent weekend. In the coming weeks, President Obama is likely to decide whether he should send more American service members into the large, mountainous and politically complicated nation.

Writer Margaret Webb Pressler and foreign correspondent Rajiv Chandrasekaran, who has spent time in Afghanistan, have answered some questions about the country and what is happening there.

### Why are U.S. troops in Afghanistan?

The terrorists who planned the attacks in the U.S. on Sept. 11, 2001, had lived or trained in

Afghanistan. At the time, Afghanistan had a government called the Taliban that greatly limited the freedom of the Afghan people and supported terrorists. After the attacks in New York, Pennsylvania and on the Pentagon, the U.S. military attacked Afghanistan and the terrorist camps, leading to the fall of the Taliban. Our military has been there ever since to help keep the country secure as a new government tries to rebuild the country. There are about 57,000 U.S. troops there now.

### Is there a war in Afghanistan?

There is no declared war in Afghanistan, as there is in Iraq. But recently, the situation in Afghanistan has gotten significantly worse for the government, the military and ordinary people. That has endangered U.S. troops and concerned U.S. officials. There was recently an election for president in Afghanistan, but there is evidence that

there was cheating in the voting. The outcome of the election still isn't clear.

### Why has the situation gotten worse there?

Afghanistan is a big country, with different religious, political and tribal groups that want to be in power. There were not enough U.S. troops in the country to restore order after the Taliban was kicked out of power. So the Taliban has been able to reorganize. Now its members are starting to carry out violent attacks against other groups in the country and against the U.S. military. In August, 51 U.S. troops were killed in Afghanistan — the deadliest month ever for the U.S. military there.

### Why does it matter to us what happens in Afghanistan?

U.S. officials are worried that Afghanistan could become a place where terrorists can live and train. If that were to happen, it could allow some of these dangerous groups to try to carry out terrorist attacks

around the world.

### What happens now?

The U.S. government wants to help Afghanistan create a stable, secure government that can keep these dangerous groups from harming anyone else, in Afghanistan, the U.S. or elsewhere. The president sent 17,000 more troops to Afghanistan earlier this year, and recently the top U.S. military commander in Afghanistan said even more troops will be needed in the next year if the U.S. is going to succeed in defeating the Taliban.

### What about Iraq?

There is still a war in Iraq, but the situation has improved slowly, after several years of fighting among groups within the country, some of which have been supported by the U.S. military. Now the Iraqi government, with the backing of the U.S., is taking steps to rebuild its own government and military so the country can be secure and independent without the help of U.S. troops.

## How the Supreme Court works

By Moira E. McLaughlin  
The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — Ever get into a fight with your sister, say, over who spilled the soda on your iPod? Your sister claims you bumped her into the soda, causing the spill. You blame her because her elbow knocked over the soda. You ask your little brother what he thinks. He blames you. You ask your babysitter what she thinks. She also blames you. Finally you ask your mom, the highest authority in the house, what she thinks. She decides that because you were running in the house breaking the rules, it's your fault.

That is, in a way, how the U.S. court system works. Your mom is like the U.S. Supreme Court, which has the final say in court cases. This month, the Supreme Court began its 2009-10 session.

The Supreme Court is made up of nine justices (a fancy word for judges) appointed for life by the president and confirmed by

the Senate. The court is the third branch of U.S. government along with the executive branch (the president) and the legislative branch, or the lawmakers (Congress).

The Supreme Court chooses which cases to hear each year. The justices rule on only a small fraction of the cases that are sent to them. They decide the cases based on their understanding of the U.S. Constitution.

Supreme Court Justice Sonia Sotomayor is the newest member of the court and the first justice appointed by President Barack Obama. She took Justice David Souter's place after he retired in June. Sotomayor is the first Hispanic, the third woman and the 111th person to serve on the Supreme Court.

The other serving justices are Samuel Alito, Stephen Breyer, Ruth Bader Ginsburg, Anthony Kennedy, John Roberts (the chief justice), Antonin Scalia, John Paul Stevens and Clarence Thomas.





# WHAT'S NEXT

THE WEIGHT OF THE RECESSION HAS  
FORCED US ALL TO THINK DIFFERENTLY  
— AND FOR THE BETTER

**BY JOSHUA PALMER • TIMES-NEWS WRITER**

**I**N September 2008, a prominent economist spoke to business, government and civic leaders at the College of Southern Idaho proclaiming that the region was a “bright spot amid a growing national recession.” He said the region was insulated from the fallout because local banks never dabbled in risky lending, agricultural revenue remained strong and a diverse industry base prevented places like Twin Falls, Idaho, from becoming disasters like Elkhart, Ind.

I interviewed six people after the discussion who agreed that all signs pointed to a challenging but positive outlook, so I wrote a story for the following day with screaming a headline that read, “Magic Valley a bright spot in dark times.”

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# HEALTH CARE

## GROWING to meet demand

### Growing, aging population increase needs for health care

By Blair Koch  
Times-News correspondent

Just as the population and demographics have grown and changed rapidly in the Magic Valley, so has the demand for health care.

According to figures released in 2006 by the U.S. Census Bureau, it is estimated that the south-central Idaho population (173,626) will shift. The population will age, and groups aged 55 to 64 will see 33.3 percent more people added to their ranks. Those 65 and older will grow by nearly 30 percent.

This aging trend follows what's expected on the national level.

The Magic Valley is helping to meet the demand for more nurses and 15 other health-services occupations with the addition of a health sciences building at the College of Southern Idaho, expected to open in 2010.

Area health care providers are gearing up to meet a greater geriatric and retiree-age group of people, as well as a growing population overall. According to the Idaho Department of Labor Twin Falls County's population grew 18 percent, from 63,020 in 1998 to 74,284 in 2008. Jerome County's population increased 14 percent over the same period, to 20,468.

St. Luke's Magic Valley Regional Medical Center expects its 700,000-square-foot facility on Poleline Road to open in June 2011. The project has poured \$18 million in investment dollars into the area, with hundreds of contractors and sub-contractors on the job and the purchase of supplies.

"The additional impact, the lodging and groceries being bought by those on the job, is unquantifiable but there is a large economic impact had from the hospital's building," said St. Luke's Chief Executive Officer Mark Schwartz.

To help meet growing demand, the hospital has built two new primary-care clinics in Twin Falls and added 44 physicians/specialists to its roster over the



BLAIR KOCH/For the Times-News

The demand for health care, from primary care physicians to massage therapists, is rising right along a growing and aging population in south central Idaho. Pictured here is Massage Therapist Rebekah Childers, of Twin Falls, during the recent Magic Valley Health Fair at the Magic Valley Mall in Twin Falls. Childers, who is giving a quick massage to Phyllis Rickert, of Jerome, said more insurance companies are paying for massage and physicians and patients are finding the therapy useful, as the practice becomes more mainstream in the U.S., after years of popularity in Europe and Eastern medicine.

past couple of years. Next year the hospital plans to bring on an additional 10 doctors.

"We know the growing demographic, the baby boomers ... is growing and will continue to grow," said Schwartz.

The hospital is easily one of the top employers in Twin Falls, with an annual payroll of \$64.45 million for a staff of 1,687.

Schwartz said the hospital has made investments in providing better patient care, by adding primary care accessibility and the implementation of digital electronic health records program, integrated throughout the system - from primary care physicians in a clinic setting to the emergency

room on the main campus.

"Our main goal and strategy is to ease access to care, provide better care and better manage that care patients receive," Schwartz said.

The valley's north side is undergoing similar growth and a need for more care.

The North Canyon Medical Center will open its 50,000-square-foot medical center in March, in Gooding.

"The opening of North Canyon Medical Center will allow for the expansion of healthcare services in the area and will create approximately eight new full-time positions," said Chief Executive Officer Earl Fitzpatrick.

Hospital highlights include an expanded emer-

gency room, with two-250 square foot trauma bays and six exam rooms.

To prepare for a shifting patient demographic the hospital's diagnostic imaging department will have new digital equipment, including a 16 slice CT Scan, digital mammography, 4-D Ultrasound and more.

Fitzgerald notes that with an expected increase in the state's aging population the facility has, "been designed with the ability to easily expand to 25 rooms to accommodate population changes in the future."

If Idaho continues to grow, even beyond 2016 projections, area hospital officials know that expansion of services will continue as well.

### A shift in the system

#### St. Luke's becomes largest private employer in Idaho

By Nate Poppino  
Times-News writer

hospital did.

Live in Twin Falls? You probably walk past a sign saying "St. Luke's" to get your health care.

These days, it's grown harder not to.

For decades, Twin Falls' county-owned Magic Valley Regional Medical Center dominated health care in south-central Idaho, though it still had competition from the downtown Twin Falls Clinic and Hospital.

But in 2002 the hospitals merged. And in 2006 the county agreed to sell the region's biggest hospital to St. Luke's Regional Medical Center in Boise.

The Treasure Valley-based health care provider had long provided some services in Twin Falls, but now it virtually owns the market.

Formed with the purchase of MVRMC, the nonprofit St. Luke's Health System became the largest private employer in Idaho this year.

Its footprint in Twin Falls is hard to miss.

The Twin Falls hospital alone employs about 1,760 people, plus 50 more contract workers. That's about 200 more than the county

According to the Idaho Medical Association, Twin Falls has about 130 doctors. About 90 doctors in 33 offices and at the hospital itself are in some way affiliated with St. Luke's Magic Valley. Forty-four of them have come to Twin Falls since 2006.

With an expanded cancer center, pediatric clinics held by doctors from Boise and a range of specialists, St. Luke's has expanded the range of services available in the region. In mid-2011, the nonprofit will literally change the landscape of the region by opening an all-new, 700,000-square-foot medical complex now under construction at Grandview Drive and Pole Line Road.

It's only been a little more than three years since MVRMC changed hands. But St. Luke's System CEO Ed Dahlberg said things have merged just fine.

"I think from the perspective of joining the community, being part of what Twin Falls has become, it's all frankly come together very well," said Dahlberg, who is to retire early next year.

The seeds for the

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The new 22,000-square-foot St. Luke's Clinic on Addison Avenue East in Twin Falls has room for 10 doctors, with three exam rooms and shared lab and X-ray facilities. St. Luke's is spending millions of dollars for new facilities in the area, including a new hospital.

### What's next?

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Two months later the region's unemployment rate started a nearly year-long rise, local manufacturers scaled back production and payrolls, and dairy prices fell below the minimum needed for dairymen to cover costs. It also became evident that hundreds of people in the region took out mortgages through non-local banks, which issued subprime, Alt-A and stated-income loans.

In short, we were all kidding ourselves when we believed that the regional and national economies were not intimately tied together.

Based on unemployment and sales tax figures from 2007 through the third quarter of 2009, south-central Idaho has followed the national trends - it's just delayed by three to four months.

I kept my notes from that meeting in September to remind me that things aren't always as they appear. And in March 2009, I interviewed the same sources from that September meeting who said we were all a little too

optimistic.

But there are lessons learned through all this. The sudden realization that south-central Idaho is not entirely insulated from the national economy has created some changes for the better.

Businesses like the Twin Falls-based Independent Meat Company have become leaner and more efficient by reducing energy costs through building upgrades.

Small business owners re-evaluated their inventory to stock lower priced products for thrifter customers.

The College of Southern Idaho continued to be on the forefront of workforce training by creating a wind turbine technology program that will tap into the growing alternative energy market.

Above all, most of the region's businesses and institutions have adapted to a more difficult economy.

That is the purpose of this section - not only to identify where the cards have fallen, but also to give readers a perspective on where we go from here.



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Lonnie Ludlow fields a call from a customer at the Dell call center in Twin Falls. The Dell call center will close its doors for good in Twin Falls, but the nearly eight-year-old operation helped move the region's economy beyond agriculture and food processing. Although the region is feeling the effects of a national recession, it has nonetheless adapted to thrive in the years ahead.

# AGRICULTURE

## Ag – where it's been and where it's going

By Cindy Snyder  
Times-News correspondent

Think Idaho agriculture and chances are a potato is the first image that pops into your mind. Potatoes are still the state's number one cash crop – at least most years – but increasingly Holsteins are becoming the face of Idaho agriculture.

As the dairy industry has grown over the last three decades, other agricultural sectors have adjusted to accommodate both a need for more forage acres and changes in technology. The temptation is to look at the number of crop acres in the state, potatoes for example, and to say the

industry is shrinking.

Not so fast, says Jerry Wright, CEO of United Potato Growers of Idaho. True, potato acreage in the state has fallen to 305,000 acres after peaking at 415,000 acres in the 1990s and the industry has lost 40 percent of its growers, but yields have increased by 1 percent annually over that period.

At the same time production has been increasing, demand for potatoes has been decreasing by 1 percent annually for the last 25 years. Balancing that increase in productivity at the farm level with falling demand has been gut wrenching at times, but potatoes have

### GROWTH IN DAIRY FROM 1980 TO 2008

#### Milk production

U.S. up 48%  
Idaho up 533%

#### Cheese production

U.S. up 147%  
Idaho up 633%

Source: Boise State University

been a profitable crop for each of the last four years.

"Given that increase in

productivity we've got to reduce acres to balance supply and demand," Wright said.

Other commodities have been struggling with the same supply and demand issues. Sugar beets are another example of a crop that has seen acreage fall over the last 20 years but at the same time yields have increased by 11.6 tons per acre.

Loss of processing plants have also contributed to farm level reductions of key commodities. The loss of the J.R. Simplot Company's potato processing plant in Heyburn and the Amalgamated Sugar Co.'s plant in Nyssa, Ore., con-

### IDAHO AGRICULTURE\* ACCOUNTS FOR:

- 20% of Idaho's total sales, worth \$2.2 billion
- 17% of Idaho's total work force, or about 156,000 jobs
- 15% of Idaho's total wages, approximately \$4.2 billion
- 17% of Idaho's gross product, about \$8.4 billion

\* Analysis is based on economic base contribution.

Source: U.S. Department of Agriculture

tributed to the reduction in both potato and sugar beet acreage.

Factors far beyond the control of Idaho farmers and ranchers can also have lasting impacts. Take the B.S.E. outbreaks that grabbed the headlines for much of the late 1990s. Mad cow disease doesn't get much attention these days, but the loss of export markets for U.S. beef

that resulted from concerns about eating beef after the disease was identified have led to a steady decline in U.S. and Idaho beef herds. Idaho's beef herd has fallen from 530,000 head in 1989 to 451,000 head in 2008.

Changes in federal policy that impact the strength of the dollar can also influence

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## BUSINESS

By Scott Plew

### insight

## Keep good employees by offering 'alternative' compensation and benefits

Family business owners understand the need to reward their non-family workers. After all, in many cases, these employees make up the lion's share of a company's workforce. But it can be difficult to keep them motivated when family employees are also part owners.

If you don't want to give ownership interests to non-family members, consider offering them "alternative" compensation and benefits.

The following are some alternatives for non-family workers:

### MATCHING CONTRIBUTIONS

You can match your workers' contributions to their 401(k) plans dollar-for-dollar up to a specified percentage of their salaries.

Your matching contributions are deductible and, by boosting those contributions, you can particularly benefit key employees. Key employees earn more and may be contributing more to qualified plans, so they will gain more. However, you must increase the matching percentage for all employees, not just key employees. Also, to benefit older workers, be sure that your 401(k) plan allows "catch-up" contributions.

### AN NQDC PLAN

If you want to provide additional benefits to some key employees beyond what you can provide under a 401(k) or other qualified plan (such as a SIMPLE or profit-sharing plan), a non-qualified deferred compensation (NQDC) plan may be just what you're looking for.

Strict nondiscrimination requirements apply to qualified plans but not NQDC plans, so you can offer this benefit to as few workers as you wish. Plus, you can tailor the plan to your goals or each

employee's needs. For instance, if you want to encourage an executive to work for your company for a certain number of years, you can apply a golden handcuffs provision. Plus, there are no contribution limits.

There are some drawbacks to NQDC plans. For example, your business receives no tax deduction for the deferred wages until workers withdraw the money, usually at retirement.

### PHANTOM STOCK

Phantom stock is one way to get non-family workers more vested – at least financially – in your business without giving away actual company ownership and diluting your interest.

Phantom stock owners receive compensation when their interests grow, but suffer no loss if the stock's value declines. So they gain the financial benefits without the monetary risk.

For example, if you award shares of phantom stock paying 50 percent on growth to one executive and your stock increases from \$100 to \$200 in value (calculated based on a formula set out in the agreement with the employee), the worker will receive \$50 per phantom share owned. The payment is taxable to the employee and deductible to your business.

### FRINGE BENEFITS

A great way to include non-family employees is to give them fringe benefits that family workers enjoy. Keep in mind, though, that many of these expenses may be taxable income to workers.

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## WHERE DOES DAIRY GO FROM HERE?

### Options sought to repair suffering industry

BY JOSHUA PALMER • TIMES-NEWS WRITER

It was almost two years ago that south-central Idaho seemed like an unstoppable force in the dairy industry.

In July 2008, milk production in Idaho jumped nearly 8 percent compared to the previous year – reaching an unprecedented 1.1 billion pounds and surpassing third-ranked New York state for the first time.

Dairy processors in Twin Falls and Jerome were expanding product lines to reach new markets such as organic cheeses and highly concentrated protein powders.

The dairy industry fueled the regional economy by infusing cash into businesses such as auto dealerships, retailers and farm operations that were feeling the burden of a growing recession. New processing facilities such as Idaho Milk Products were hiring workers who were recently laid off by manufacturers such as Jayco and Seastroms – keeping a rising unemployment rate in check.

But in the fall of 2008 the bottom fell out from under milk prices as a global recession quelled foreign and domestic demand for milk products at a time when supplies were at a record high.

The effects have been devastating for the regional economy and dairymen in southern Idaho.

Eddy Lekkerkerk, a 42-year-old dairy farmer outside Filer, said he fears that he may not be in business much longer.

For five months, he hasn't made payments on the roughly \$800,000 he borrows annually to buy feed for his herd of 1,000 cattle. He said his bank is forcing him to sell his herd to pay his debt.

He predicted many of his neighbors will have no choice but to follow him off the farm.

"It's going to be ugly. This is historic stuff going on," he said. "The dairy-

men are nervous, and they are scared."

Despite a long and arduous growth period that started almost two decades earlier, dairymen are suddenly facing milk prices not seen since the 1970s.

Industry leaders are seeking federal action to help an ailing industry, while opponents say the market should be left alone to work out the problem.

“The employment numbers alone are staggering. Although those jobs are not the highest paying, they still support a lot of workers in our area who spend their money here.”

– Jan Roeser, regional economist with Idaho Department of Labor

The answer is not an easy one, say state and regional economists, because the dairy industry has become a keystone to southern Idaho's economy – particularly in Magic Valley.

"The employment numbers alone are staggering," said Jan Roeser, regional economist with Idaho Department of Labor. "Although those jobs are not the highest paying, they still support a lot of workers in our area who spend their money here."



According to the department of labor, the dairy industry employed on average more than 5,000 people in south-central Idaho in 2008 – making it the largest employer in the region. Those jobs included positions in milk production, as well as more skilled labor in dairy processing facilities such as Glanbia, Jerome Cheese and Gossner.

A Boise State University study estimated that more than 22,700 jobs in Idaho are attributed to the state's dairy industry.

The industry's financial contribution to Idaho's economy is also staggering.

In 2008, cash receipts from milk production alone totaled \$2.2 billion, according to the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

The dairy industry generated more than \$1 billion in personal income in south-central Idaho – money that was injected into communities in the form of purchases of products and services. And the tax revenues in 2008, totaled \$67.5 million, according to the Idaho State Tax Commission.

But the economic benefits have been eroding because of the industry's collapse.

Bob Naerebout, executive director of the Idaho Dairymen's Association, said the latest reports show first-quarter sales in 2009 are down \$225 million compared to the previous year.

The U.S. Department of Agriculture, with the support of congressional leaders, reenacted the Dairy Export Incentive Program, which pays dairy exporters – allowing them to sell products at lower prices.

However, skeptics say the program is too late because foreign markets are not buying.

Exports accounted for about 2 percent of U.S. milk sales this year, down from 6 percent a year ago, as markets

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## St. Luke's

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company's influence in Twin Falls were sowed some time before the sale.

Some of the takeover began well before the hospital switched hands – most notably in the effort to integrate a number of physician offices. Dr. Kurt Seppi and other Physicians Center doctors trace their hospital ties to 1999, when they voted for a closer relationship with MVRMC. St. Luke's started

managing their offices two years later, and more doctors established ties with the hospital, merging services such as billing.

St. Luke's leased the MVRMC cancer center in 2002, creating a local board to manage it. And in 2006, 84 percent of Twin Falls County voters welcomed St. Luke's purchase of the hospital that had been under county management for nearly nine decades.

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## Ag

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export demand, prices and ultimately the amount of a commodity grown in Idaho.

Consolidation and the push to get bigger in order to be competitive has played a role in shaping many of Idaho's agricultural sectors, including dairy. In 1991, the U.S. had 225,000 dairies, by last year that number had dropped to 57,000 dairies and Bob Naerebout, executive director of the Idaho Dairymen's Association, expects to see the number continue to drop.

The trend toward larger dairies is most apparent in the Magic Valley where the average herd size is 1,238 cows. In contrast, herds in the Treasure Valley average 899 cows while those in eastern Idaho average 207 cows.

Paul Patterson, University of Idaho extension economist at Idaho Falls, recently completed a detailed study of agricultural trends. Tongue-in-cheek, he characterized the results as: dairy cows and forage crops up, everything else down.

It's not quite that simple, but his analysis shows only 10 commodities have shown positive growth over the last 20 years: dairy cows (up 209 percent), all hay (up 26 percent), corn silage (up 176

percent), corn grain (up 60 percent), onions (up 16 percent), hops (up 40 percent), all grapes (up 104 percent), sweet cherries (up 56 percent), peaches (up 100 percent) and mint (up 1 percent). The percentages are based on herd numbers or acreage.

In contrast, 16 commodities have shown negative growth: sheep (down 34 percent), beef cows (down 15 percent), barley (down 31 percent), dry beans (down 53 percent), wheat (down 4.1 percent), potatoes (down 14 percent), sugar beets (down 27 percent), dry edible peas (down 38 percent), oats (down 33 percent), oats (down 33 percent), apples (down 56 percent), Austrian winter peas (down 48 percent), lentils (down 2.6 percent), mink (down 20 percent), bees (down 36 percent), plums and prunes (down 58 percent), wrinkled seed peas (down 76 percent).

The list shows how diversified Idaho agriculture is, but Patterson points out that the top five Idaho crops accounted for 84 percent of the total crop value last year. The top 10 crops accounted for 96 percent of the total crop value. For livestock, dairy and beef accounted for 93 percent of the livestock value of production in 2008.

## Dairy

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overseas were battered by a global recession and strengthening dollar.

"What we need to do is bring supply in line with demand," Naerebout said. "To do that we need the government to install new programs, and we need to expand the (Cooperatives Working Together) dairy herd buy down."

U.S. Senators Mike Crapo and Jim Risch, and Representatives Mike Simpson and Walt Minnick, have all written U.S. Secretary of Agriculture Tom Vilsack, encouraging him to change the way the USDA sets wholesale milk prices.

However, Vilsack said he is not eager to remake the USDA milk pricing program. Instead, he wants to see if a range of recent actions might buoy wholesale prices. USDA recently donated 500,000 pounds of excess powdered milk to needy countries to reduce U.S. supplies, and a new program will pay farmers to slaughter more than 100,000 dairy cows.

But producers are lobbying for a bill that would

change the USDA pricing system for milk so that wholesale prices reflect what producers pay for feed, fuel and other supplies.

If that happens, milk would be the only commodity of its kind to have a government-set price determined in part by the cost of production, said Scott Brown, dairy analyst at The University of Missouri's Food and Agricultural Policy Research Institute.

Vilsack opposes the bill, saying a policy that raises farm-level prices will pass increases on to the consumer.

Dairymen have taken matters into their own hands, announcing through the cooperative the largest dairy-herd buy out — essentially, reimbursing dairymen to reduce milk production by sending their cows to slaughter.

According to a report from the cooperative, almost 80 percent of the cows that were removed from herds were from markets in the west and southwest, meaning that 81 percent of the milk removed will come from those two regions.

## RETAIL



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Motorcycles line the inside of Action Cycles 'N Sleds in Twin Falls. Street bike sales as well as off-road machines have been down — just one sector struggling with a tight economy, business owners say.

## DOWN, BUT NOT DONE

Outdoor recreation industry seeing fewer buyers

By Andrew Weeks  
Times-News writer

There's no getting around it — outdoor recreation plays a big part of south-central Idaho economy.

But the industry is not an island unto itself, business owners say. When one business struggles with hard times, it creates a domino effect.

People are still venturing into the outdoors, and they're still buying recreation equipment. Just not as much as they used to, said John Howard, manager of Sportsman's Warehouse in Twin Falls. His store has been struggling with fewer

sales, which, he says, is caused by a variety of factors: bankruptcy, low inventory, and the closure of area businesses, such as Dell's Twin Falls call center.

"That doesn't help," he said of Dell's announcement to lay off its 500 area employees by January. "We used to have people over there who'd come into our store two, maybe three times a week. They might not always buy something, but now we don't even see them."

Sales on outdoor gear such as binoculars, clothing and boots have particularly slowed.

Howard said, as has guns, ammunition and archery bows. Another factor in the equation, he said, is fewer non-residents are coming to Idaho to hunt.

On Oct. 2, 6,434 non-resident regular deer tags had been sold out of 12,015 available, according to the Idaho Department of Fish and Game. Though officials expected more tags to be sold by the time deer season opened Saturday, there will likely still be plenty left.

Red's Trading Post in Twin Falls also has been struggling with fewer sales, though used guns have been selling better because of the lower price tags, said the store's owner, Ryan Horsely. Some semi-autos are selling

well, too, but bolt-action rifles and pump-action shotguns — those more geared to outdoor buffs — have slowed, he said.

"It's been a pretty good balance for us," Horsely said, noting that he's learned in today's economy business

owners can't sit "on cruise control" waiting for times to improve.

"You've got to change with the times," he said. "You've got to get aggressive and see what's moving. You've got to evaluate your own business. We've tried to do that, and I've seen some other businesses trying to do that, too."

According to Jack Sibbach, Sun Valley Resort is one. Finding itself challenged with fewer visitors, resort officials are seeking new ways to reach a broader Idaho audience.

A summer concert series featuring popular music artists like Kenny Loggins helped bring in sales over the summer, as did a new nine-hole golf course. Overall, however, sales have been down, said Sibbach, resort spokesman. He hopes that will change once winter arrives.

The resort plans to promote value-added packages and add new venues, such as a terrain park for snowboarders. Before the snow flies, the resort will host the

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## RETAIL

Facing an uphill **BATTLE**

Retail industry has seen sales decline significantly

By Blair Koch  
Times-News correspondent

Cathy Freeborn moved her business, Cathy's Unique Boutique, from the Lynwood Shopping Center to Historic Downtown Twin Falls just four months ago.

She bought the established retail outlet two years ago and said the Main Street location increased foot traffic to her store and the rent is affordable.

"It's been a challenge but I'm hoping customers will enjoy the extra good customer service and product line," Freeborn said.

Even though retail sales nationwide have taken a hard hit because of the continued recession, Freeborn hasn't held back on bringing in new inventory — she's in the process of expanding Victorian styled home décor items.

"There is a pretty healthy demand for Victorian items," Freeborn said.

Giving customers what they want has helped Charla Dunn, of Wendell, to stay busy. Her

small retail and wholesale business specializing in inspirational books and gifts hasn't experienced much of a downturn.

"I'm a firm believer of going to your customers instead of waiting for them to come to you," Dunn said. "I have my route and by continually adding the new and latest items I haven't noticed that sales are down. For me, it hasn't been too bad."

Dunn is lucky and her niche

market could be a saving grace.

According to the U.S. Department of Commerce retail sales for 2008 have dropped significantly since 2005. The industry has been hit hard by American's losing cash flow, asset liquidity and access to credit lines.

Instead of retail therapy many Americans are simply purchasing what they need to get by.

According to the U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis total personal income in Idaho fell 0.8 percent during the first quarter of 2009 from the fourth quarter of 2008, marking the third consecutive quarter income has dropped.

Disposable income, adjusted for inflation and taxes, fell 0.2 percent in August, following a 0.1 percent decrease in July.

Retailers have pulled back inventory and cut personnel costs. Some 300 retail trade jobs have been lost in



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Cathy Freeborn, owner of Cathy's Unique Boutique on Main Street in downtown Twin Falls, has focused on offering an array of Victorian styled decor that customers are hard pressed to find elsewhere in the area. Shown here is a new display at the store that Freeborn hopes will draw sales.

south-central Idaho over the past year, according to the Idaho Department of Labor.

While companies will likely make seasonal hires, the number of extra help needed will likely be less than in years past. How fourth quarter sales measure up is yet unknown.

However, retailers face an uphill battle this holiday season.

"As we approach an important time of year for retailers, the chamber is encouraging holiday shoppers to buy items locally. Shopping with your friends and neighbors at businesses here in Southern Idaho keeps dollars in our local economy — paying wages, taxes, and helping those businesses reinvest in our community. We all have a responsibility to

support our local economy strong and one way to do that is to buy from businesses here in Southern Idaho instead of taking a shopping excursion to another city or buying online," said Twin Falls Chamber of Commerce CEO Shawn Barigar.

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## BUSINESS

By Scott Plew

## insight

## Improve your collections to help secure cash flow

Over lunch one day, I spoke with a banker regarding the critical need for business owners to keep up with their accounts receivable.

In a stormy economy, it can be even more difficult to collect. In turn, it can threaten your ability to access working capital, reinvest in the company, get financing and even pay your own bills. By taking steps to improve your collection process, many business owners can improve their chances of maintaining a steady stream of cash even during harsh economic times.

## EXCUSES DON'T PAY OFF

The quality of your products or services, and the efficiency of order fulfillment and distribution processes, can significantly impact collections. You give customers an excuse not to pay when an order arrives damaged, late or not at all, or a customer is incorrectly billed or doesn't receive promised discounts or special offers.

Make sure you resolve billing mistakes quickly and ask customers to pay any portion of the bill they're not disputing. Once the matter is resolved and the product or service has been delivered, ask the customer to pay off the bill and sign off on the matter by making a note on the final invoice. This will help protect you from potential future claims.

## AUTOMATE EVERYTHING

Sending invoices out late can also thwart your collection efforts. Become familiar with industry norms before setting your payment schedules — whether they're on 30-, 45- or 60-day cycles. If your most important or largest clients have their own payment schedules, be sure to set them up in your system. If you haven't already done so, implement an automated collection system that generates invoices when work is complete, flags problem accounts and generates useful financial

reports. Consider sending client invoices electronically and enable them to pay online. You can send statements out monthly as a routine reminder of balances due.

Regularly verify account information to make sure invoices and statements are accurate and get into the right hands. Be sure to set clear standards and expectations with customers — both verbally and in writing — about your credit policy, including pricing, delivery and payment terms.

## 5 TRICKS OF THE TRADE

Despite your best efforts, you're still likely to encounter slow-paying customers. Here are five strategies to increase your chances of receiving timely payments:

1. Request payment up front. Ask customers for a deposit on each order or provide a service retainer.

2. Reward timely payments. Give discounts to customers who pay on time or improve their payment histories.

3. Charge fees. Assess fees or finance charges for past due amounts. Place extremely delinquent accounts on credit hold or adjust their payment terms to cash on delivery (COD).

4. Stay connected. Make regular calls and send e-mail reminders to clients who haven't settled their accounts. If necessary, either you or the manager who works directly with the client should try to resolve the payment issues with your lead contact at the company or even the owner. Consider executing a promissory note to prevent the client from disputing the charges in the future.

5. Get professional help. If your efforts aren't fruitful, get help from an attorney or collection agency. Keep in mind, though, that third-party fees may consume much of the collected amount.

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popular jazz music festival.

"There are still people who want to go and enjoy themselves," Sibbach said. "We believe we just have to reach out to more southern Idaho people, the drive market, and get them up here to enjoy it."

There's another kind of drive market that, while challenged economically, is still popular among some outdoor buffs — off-road riding.

But more motorcyclists — off-road users as well as street riders — are using their old machines instead of buying new ones.

The consensus from Magic Valley motorcycle shops is that sales have suffered this year due to lead restriction laws — which prevented shops from selling youth ATVs and dirt bikes containing a lead rating higher than 60 parts per billion — and a tight economy when people are saving their pennies.

"Overall, summer sales were down from the year before," said Rob Glodowski, vice president of Action Cycles 'n Sleds in Twin Falls.

The shop has already started selling snowmobiles, and it often gets shoppers from neighboring states. That percentage has remained steady, Glodowski said. Diehard fans are still buying, he said, but the average consumer isn't.

Not as frequently anyway.

Like everyone else, Glodowski is keeping his fingers crossed that next year will be better for his shop. He has his worries, though.


"We're trying to stay positive, but we really haven't seen anything that points to sales coming back anytime soon," he said.

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“In a way, it’s an exciting time because the companies that could come in could offer better paying jobs and bring in other companies and opportunities along the way.”

— Jan Roeser, Idaho Department of Labor’s Twin Falls-based regional economist



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Construction workers set a foundation to a building in 2007 in Twin Falls.

## BOOM AND BUST

### DIVERSIFICATION SOUGHT FOR RECOVERY

BY BLAIR KOCH • TIMES-NEWS CORRESPONDENT

Some day, south central Idaho may look back on this Great Recession as a turning point for regional industries. Once in economic recovery, the area’s industry base could be quite different because of lessons we’ve learned.

Prior to the recession one out of every seven Idaho manufacturing jobs was linked to export sales. After hitting a record \$5 billion in foreign sales of goods and services in 2008 the market nose-dived, falling 38 percent during the first three months of 2009. Exports for the first half of 2009 came in at just under \$1.7 billion.

Manufacturing jobs account for a large portion of non-farm payroll jobs throughout Magic Valley. According to the Idaho Department of Labor manufacturing provided 11 percent of non-farm jobs in Twin Falls County, 18 percent in Jerome County and 13 percent in Cassia County.

The addition of light manufacturers, from Dell Computer Technical Support Center to Jayco’s RV manufacturing facilities were heralded as a great success — and both operations did provide above-average wages for hundreds of employees in the boom-times of the early 2000s.

Unfortunately, Dell recently announced the closure of its Twin Falls call center and hundreds of people lost their jobs and Jayco, hit hard by record high gas prices and the nation wide recession has also pulled back personnel over the last couple of years.

State wide job losses from manufacturing are nearly 10,000.

So what’s needed? In a

word: diversification.

“You never know what will come in,” said Jan Roeser, Idaho Department of Labor’s Twin Falls-based regional economist. “There are a handful of companies looking at coming into the area and Idaho has a lot going for it in terms of being a good place to do business.”

She said the low cost of doing business, from energy to work force costs, are a draw and could help the area rebound.

“In a way, it’s an exciting time because the companies that could come in could offer better paying jobs and bring in other companies and opportunities along the way,” Roeser said.

South-central Idaho need look no further than



Jayco trailers await shipment at the Washington Street South facility in 2008. The facility was shuttered the same year due to the economic downturn.

#### PERCENT OF MANUFACTURING JOBS LOST IN IDAHO OVER THE PAST YEAR AS OF AUGUST 2009

Nondurable goods: 4.4%  
Food: 3.7%  
Fruit and vegetable preserving and specialty food: 1.2%  
Durable goods: 19.6%

Woods product: 19.1%  
Machinery: 12.5%  
Computer and electronic product: 24.3%  
Computer and peripheral equip-

ment manufacturing: 16.2%  
Semiconductor and other electric component: 26.5%  
Total manufacturing jobs: 13.6%  
Source: Idaho Department of Labor

Jerome County.

Although Jerome County unemployment (7.2 percent) is buoyed by the dairy industry it has diversified and area leaders continue to be opti-

mistic with many developments in the area. The Crossroads Point Business Center at I-84 and U.S. Highway 93, in addition to other industrial and tech-

nology parks, continue attracting residents and business and sustainable growth is projected for the next decade.

Jerome Administrator Ben

Marchant said the city continues to look at diversifying its economic base. Marchant said growth is forefront and the city has aligned itself to be prepared for the economy to recover.

“Right now, to the extent of economic development, that environment is slow and quiet. There is interest in the expansion of a dairy and some residential areas but financing has been standing in the way. We’re starting to see that change but it’s slow right now,” Marchant said.

With the city’s wastewater infrastructure at capacity Marchant said the city hopes to attract low water users.

“We’re looking at diversification because of infrastructure and hope to add local retail, restaurant and local services to our business mix,” he said.

That attitude has helped the county’s employment rate remain more robust than the national level, which is hovering just under 10 percent.

With exports nowhere near their pre-recession peak, Roeser said, economic development is needed.

Every job lost in manufacturing ripples throughout the economy causing more job losses in banking, retail and service.

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# MANUFACTURING

## Jobs and manufacturing data suggest slow recovery

By Martin Crutsinger  
Associated Press writer

WASHINGTON — The economy is having growing pains.

Discouraging reports on unemployment and manufacturing have reinforced worries that job losses and meager factory output will make for a weak recovery as the nation climbs out of the worst recession in decades.

"The economy is not moving quickly from recession to expansion. It is moving in a very halting way," said Mark Zandi, chief economist at Moody's Economy.com. "Given the severity of the downturn, we are not going to come roaring back."

Economists think the economy lost 180,000 more jobs in September.

And factories are struggling to mount a rebound. A gauge of manufacturing activity came in at 52.6 for September, the Institute for Supply Management said — enough to signal growth for the second straight month but still down from August.

The gloom on Wall Street to start the fourth quarter came despite encouraging signals on consumer spending and construction.

Construction spending rose 0.8 percent in August, including the biggest increase in housing activity in nearly 16 years. But spending for office buildings, hotels, shopping centers and government projects all declined.

Consumer spending rose a bigger-than-expected 1.3 percent in August, the best gain since October 2001, when the country was recovering from the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks. But about a third of that increase came from the government's Cash for Clunkers program.

Once the trade-in program ended, car sales fell back. General Motors and Chrysler said Thursday that their sales fell more than 40 percent in



AP photo

An unemployed worker waits for work at the Day Worker Center of Mountain View in Mountain View, Calif., Oct. 2. The unemployment rate rose to 9.8 percent in September, the highest since June 1983, as employers cut far more jobs than expected. The report shows that the worst recession since the 1930s is still inflicting widespread pain and underscores one of the biggest threats to the nascent economic recovery: that consumers, worried about job losses and stagnant wages, will restrain spending. Consumer spending accounts for about 70 percent of the nation's economy.

September. Ford reported a 5.1 percent drop.

The August spending report showed personal incomes continue to lag: They edged up 0.2 percent, helped by an increase in the minimum wage that took effect in July.

Economists fear weak income growth means that the jump in consumer spending won't last. Consumer spending is vital for a sustained recovery because it accounts for about 70 percent of all economic activity.

The jump in spending and the much smaller gain in income sent the personal savings rate down to 3 per-

cent in August, from 4 percent in July. Analysts think Americans will keep saving more in the months ahead, trying to rebuild their nest eggs.

Many economists believe the economy is growing again after the longest recession since World War II — perhaps at a rate of 3 percent or more in the just-ended third quarter.

But David Wyss, chief economist for Standard & Poor's in New York, said he expects growth to slip to an anemic 0.8 percent in the final three months of this year, and perform only a little better next year.

"The good news is that it

will be positive, but it will not be a barnburner," he said.

Weak growth like that would not be strong enough to bring down the unemployment rate. Wyss predicts it will peak at 10.4 percent around the middle of next year. The recession has already eliminated almost 7 million jobs.

Those losses are weighing on Americans as they

struggle to pare debt and build up savings accounts decimated by the stock market slide. And tighter lending has made spending difficult even for people who want to shop.

"With all that is going on, this is going to be a subdued rebound — two steps forward and one step backward," said Sal Guatieri, an economist with BMO Capital Markets.

Unemployed workers are having a hard time finding new jobs. Congress has already added as much as a year of extra benefits on top of the roughly six months provided by most states.

AP economics writer Christopher S. Rugaber in Washington and business writer Tali Arbel in New York contributed to this report.

## BUSINESS

By Scott Plew

insight

### Do you know how much worker turnover is costing you?

Every time an employee leaves your company, it costs you money in terms of lost knowledge, time and employee morale. Estimates on the cost of turnover vary widely, but it's expensive regardless of how you crunch the numbers.

That's precisely why you need to figure out how much turnover is costing your business.

#### RUN THE NUMBERS

You can get a rough estimate of turnover costs by calculating 30 percent of an employee's salary for benefits and taxes. Then estimate the cost of hiring, training and integrating a replacement, and add the 30 percent to that person's salary and multiply the total by 0.25.

Let's say an accountant makes \$50,000 per year and you pay another \$15,000 — 30 percent of \$50,000 — in benefits and taxes. The total cost for that employee is \$65,000 per year.

Now let's say the employee quits. By the time you hire and train a replacement, set up benefits, and

provide orientation and any required equipment, you may have spent \$16,250 — 25 percent of \$65,000. Multiply that by 10 employees, and you've spent six figures before anything has been accomplished. And that estimate may be conservative.

#### CONSIDER OTHER FACTORS

Factor in a drop in productivity while remaining employees try to fill the gap, which could trigger a decline in quality, timeliness and customer service, causing the cost to skyrocket.

Some turnover is inevitable. Baby boomers are retiring in larger numbers and sometimes you have no choice but to fire a worker. You should budget for that, but the real problem is unplanned turnover.

When the economy is booming an employee may move to greener pastures. When the economy is less robust, you may have more workers from which to choose, but your competitors may be working harder to lure your best employees away.

#### REVISIT YOUR HIRING PROCESS

It's in an employers best interests to reduce unplanned turnover.

Start by calculating what your turnover rate is now.

There are many possible variations in calculating turnover rate, but it essentially involves taking your average number of workers who leave each year, and dividing by your total number of employees.

If you have 100 employees and 20 of them leave each year, your turnover rate is 20 percent. That may be good or bad compared to other businesses in your industry, but it can be improved — and it may not take much money to do it.

First, look at who's leaving and why. If you're firing a fair number of people, it may be time to review your hiring practices. Are you writing job descriptions that accurately convey the skills and attributes you require? Do you perform reference and background checks on every candidate?

Next look at the other reasons people quit. Compensation is always a primary factor, but it isn't the only one. Lack of employer recognition, inadequate training, disagreeable management style and little room for advancement can all play a role in an employee's decision to leave.

Ultimately, if you respect your employees, establish realistic performance expectations, and pay them fairly, they'll be less likely to move on.

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## EMPLOYMENT

UNCERTAIN  
FUTUREDespite recovery, employers  
aren't ready to hire

BY CHRISTOPHER S. RUGABER AND JEANNINE AVERSA  
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**W**ASHINGTON — Job hunters will face long odds well into next year. As the unemployment rate inches closer to 10 percent, most businesses are nowhere close to hiring again.

Uncertain about prospects for recovery — the economy's and their own — employers cut 263,000 jobs in September, the government has said. Unemployment crept up to 9.8 percent.

As the economy slowly turns around, sales are slowly growing and many companies are starting to make money again. But they're doing it by cutting costs, squeezing more work out of fewer employees and relying on part-timers and cheap overseas labor.

Until companies are confident the recovery is here to stay, they will probably keep laying off workers. The economy lost 62,000 more jobs in September than in August, and the unemployment rate notched up from 9.7 percent to a new 26-year high.

Most economists say the recession is probably over. But the recovery isn't robust enough to embolden businesses to hire again.

President Obama called the jobless figures a sobering reminder that progress to reverse the recession will come in fits and starts.

Employers are expected to continue cutting payrolls for six to nine more months. Economists think the jobless rate will go as high as 10.5 percent around the middle of next year before declining gradually.

It could take three or four more years for unemployment to fall to normal levels. The worst recession since the Great Depression has already claimed 7.2 million jobs, and analysts figure 750,000 more jobs could disappear over the next six months.

The drumbeat of job losses is creating fear that Americans won't start spending again and the recovery may fizzle. Some worry the economy might succumb to a "double dip" recession — meaning it would stop growing and start shrinking again.

"This recovery looks like roadkill," said Christopher Rupkey, economist at Bank of Tokyo-Mitsubishi. "The heavy layoffs have stopped, but there are simply no new jobs available, and the harder the jobs are to get, the harder and longer this road to recovery is going to be."

After the recession of 1981 and 1982, the economy added 1.2 million jobs in the first six months of recovery. By contrast, after the 2001 recession, the economy lost 1.1 million jobs before unemployment peaked two years later. It was dubbed a jobless recovery.

Economic historian John Steel Gordon says this could be a jobless recovery, too, with businesses wringing more work out of the employees they still have and relying on part-time and overseas help.

"It's actually worse now," he said. "Companies aren't going to hire until it becomes obvious we're back in a last-ing growth cycle."

Until then, economists think, the few industries creat-

ing jobs will probably include health care, education, legal services, data processing and transportation. And early next year, the federal government will be hiring for the 2010 census.

In the last economic recovery, the financial industry drove job growth, but that probably won't happen this time. Job growth should also be slow in construction, manufacturing and retail.

All told, 15.1 million Americans are out of work — twice as many as at the start of the recession. Counting laid-off workers who have settled for part-time work or just given up, the unemployment rate is 17 percent, the highest on record since 1994.

People are also staying out of work longer. The number of people jobless for six months or longer jumped to a record 5.4 million. That's more than one-third of the unemployed, a record.

A key Obama adviser noted that while the job losses in September were the most since July, layoffs are way down from a recession high of 741,000 in January.

"We still think the overall trend is moving in the right direction," said Christina Romer, chair of the President's Council of Economic Advisers. "We're going from much larger job losses earlier this year. We want them to moderate more."

Alan Krueger, chief economist at the Treasury Department, would not rule out seeking another a second economic stimulus package — a decision he said could be made later. Republicans say the first package, \$787 billion worth, isn't helping stanch job losses.

"Wasteful government spending is not the solution to what ails this economy," said Indiana Rep. Mike Pence, chairman of the House Republican caucus.

A House bill to add 13 weeks of unemployment benefits for people in states where the jobless rate is 8.5 percent or higher has stalled in the Senate. Hundreds of thousands of people already have exhausted their benefits or are about to.

The September unemployment rate would have been higher — perhaps over 10 percent — if not for the exodus of 571,000 people from the work force, economists said. Many of them were so frustrated over a lack of work that they simply abandoned the search.

Older workers who are laid off are also dropping out and filing for Social Security benefits at a faster-than-expected pace, the government says. Applications for retirement benefits are 23 percent higher than last year. Disability claims are up about 20 percent.

Bernard Baumohl, chief global economist at the Economic Outlook Group, says he's optimistic the recovery won't fizzle. But he says it will "jagged and uneven," with more pain ahead for jobseekers.

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## ECONOMY

# Economic growth seen slowing by year's end

By Jeannine Aversa  
Associated Press writer

WASHINGTON — The unfolding economic recovery will probably lose some momentum in the final three months of the year as rising unemployment and still hard-to-get credit weigh on consumers.

The economy will grow at a pace of around 2.5 percent in the just-started October-December quarter, according to projections made by analysts at Wells Fargo, IHS Global Insight and Moody's Economy.com. If accurate, that would mark a slowing from the projected growth of at least 3 percent that many economists think occurred in the just-ended third quarter.

The economy shrank at a rate of 0.7 percent in the April-June period, the Commerce Department has said.

"It's a recovery, but it is not a rapid recovery," said Nigel Gault, chief U.S. economist at IHS Global Insight.

The third quarter's performance is expected to mark a turning point for the economy, providing the strongest signal yet that the worst recession since the 1930s is over.

Many economists say consumers likely came back to life in the third quarter, boosting spending at around a 2 percent pace. If they are right, it would be the strongest showing since the first quarter of 2007, before the recession started.

But consumer spending, which supplies about 70 percent of economic activity, could turn out to be flat or post an increase of no more than 1 percent in the fourth quarter, according to economists' projections. People will be wary of splurging, given shrinking wages and rising unemployment.

"We're fairly pessimistic about the holiday shopping season," said Mark Vitner, economist at Wells Fargo Securities. "Wages and salaries are down, meaning people don't have the means to spend."

Wages in the second quarter fell 4.7 percent from the same quarter last year, the government said.

Both businesses and consumers are still having trouble getting credit — the oxygen of the economy, analysts said.

Such forces are "likely to constrain the speed of recovery," Donald Kohn, the Federal Reserve's vice chair-

man warned.

The Fed and most economists have grown increasingly confident that the recovery will be lasting. But the risk of a "double dip" recession, where the economy would slip back into negative territory, can't be dismissed, some analysts said.

"It's not out of the question," said Gault, adding that much will hinge on the behavior of both consumers and businesses in coming months.

Higher auto sales, boosted by the government's now-ended Cash for Clunkers program, was a major factor behind the third quarter's expected improvement. People were offered rebates of up to \$4,500 to buy new fuel-efficient cars and trade in old gas guzzlers.

The government's first estimate of how the economy fared in the third quarter will be issued in late October. Fourth-quarter results won't be available until late January.

The recession was winding down in the spring. The 0.7 percent dip in gross domestic product for the April-June quarter followed

the 6.4 percent annualized drop in the first three months of this year, the worst slide in nearly three decades. In the final quarter of last year, the economy sank at a rate of 5.4 percent.

The new reading on second-quarter GDP showed the economy declining less than the 1 percent pace

unemployment rate — now at a 26-year high of 9.7 percent — is expected top 10 percent this year.

The economy has now contracted for four straight quarters for the first time on records dating to 1947. Economic activity shrank 3.8 percent since the second quarter of last year, marking the worst recession since the 1930s.

"We all ardently want to believe the nation is on the economic comeback trail," Dennis Lockhart, president of the Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta, said in a speech in Mobile, Ala. "In thinking about the recovery, I recommend for now a mindset of measured optimism."

## BUSINESS

By Scott Plew

insight

### Domestic production deduction: How it can bring serious tax savings

In 2004, a tax law was enacted that provided an additional income tax deduction. It is called the Domestic Production Deduction and it gives a break to businesses that produce or manufacture products for sale and pay employees through a W-2 wage.

The recent tax law is gaining more interest among business owners because the limits were increased, giving businesses almost double the opportunity to cash in — if they qualify.

Before the tax law was enacted, qualifying businesses could deduct 3 percent of their net income from qualified activities or Qualified Production Activity Income, or QPAI. However, businesses can now deduct 6 percent — 9 percent in 2010 — or, if

less, 6 percent of their taxable income for the year regardless of the deductible amount.

The beauty of this tax law is that the definition of "domestic production" is somewhat broad and can apply to many businesses in south-central Idaho. Farms and dairies are prime candidates for this deduction. Also, construction companies — even restoration companies, and basic manufacturing companies can qualify for the savings.

If your business is eligible for the deduction, now is a good time to review your businesses' finances to identify opportunities that maximize the benefits.

The following are requirements a business must meet before it can qualify:

**Income:** At the end of the year, you have to have a net income after subtracting the costs of goods sold and certain other costs. Typically, this income is derived from manufacturing, producing, growing or extracting property "in significant part" within the United States.

In other words, if you have no taxable income for the year, you can't benefit from the deduction.

In addition, the deduction generally can't be used to create a net operating loss deduction. If you have little or no taxable income, consider accelerating some income into the current year to take advantage of the deduction.

**Wages:** This deduction was put in place to reward businesses who have kept creating jobs domestically.

Therefore, your deduction is limited to 50 percent of the W-2 wages for the year for the company, including your own. Legislation passed last year clarifies that this limitation includes only wages attributable to qualified production activities. It may be possible to increase your deduction by shifting some work from contractors to employees or by increasing owners' salaries.

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#### EXAMPLE 1:

Farm A has a (QPAI) of \$100,000 and paid qualified wages of \$40,000. There is one of two calculations that are used to figure the deduction and it has to be the lesser amount of the two.

QPAI of \$100,000 x 6% \$6,000

Wages of \$ 40,000 x 50% \$ 20,000

The deduction this farm would be eligible for would be \$6,000.

#### EXAMPLE 2:

Farm B has a QPAI of \$100,000 and paid qualified wages of \$10,000.

QPAI of \$100,000 x 6% \$6,000

Wages of \$40,000 x 50% \$5,000

The deduction this farm would be eligible for would be \$5,000.

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# SMALL BUSINESS

## OFF TO A SLOW START

Federal assistance for small businesses taking time; SBA says most banks reluctant to take part in program



By Joshua Palmer  
Times-News writer

A federal program that was designed to help small businesses is stalled because most banks are reluctant to participate.

Tens of thousands of interest-free loans were supposed to be made to small businesses through the American Recovery Capital loan program, which was launched in June to help small businesses struggling to stay afloat in a poor economy.

However, in the first three months of operation, only about 20 loans have been issued in Idaho through the program — nationwide, only about 1,190 loans had been approved by the Small Business Administration.

The program is part of the government's economic stimulus package, and is supposed to assist viable, but temporarily struggling, small businesses by offering them interest-free loans of up to \$35,000 with lenient repayment terms. Banks started accepting applications for the government-backed loans June 15.

The program runs through Sept. 30, 2010, or until the \$255 million appropriation is exhausted.

As of last week, about \$39 million had been approved across the country, according to the administration.

"What we have been told by the banking community is that it's too small of a loan and that businesses have not made the changes to prove they are viable," said Rodney Grzadzieski, supervisory business develop-

ment specialist for the Idaho Small Business Administration.

He said small business must be 2 years old and be able to prove that they have been profitable for one of those years.

Grzadzieski added that some banks are offering loans only to existing customers, and still might add restrictions.

Some small business owners and their supporters say they are frustrated and disappointed by the lackluster response from banks, especially when taxpayers came to the aid of corporations earlier when they needed a bailout.

The proceeds must be used to pay down certain debts, including mortgage and small business loans, as well as credit cards and lines of credit used for business. Money is disbursed over six months, and payments are deferred for 12 months. Borrowers have five years to repay.

The government pays interest to the banks at a rate of 2 percentage points above the prime rate. If borrowers default, banks must try to collect the debt before being fully reimbursed by the government.

Zions Banks is currently the largest lender of ARC loans in Idaho, approving about 70 percent of applications.

But it has come with a cost.

"We have launched an extensive training effort for loan officers," said Zions Bank President and CEO Scott Anderson.

The loan program is well-intentioned, but poorly structured, says Bob Seiwert, senior vice president at American Bankers Association.

ARC loans are targeted at viable, but troubled, businesses, just when federal regulators are paying more attention to the quality of loans that lenders make, Seiwert says.

"Banks don't want to add to their problem-loan list," he says.

Banks also complain that it takes as much paperwork to make one small ARC loan as it does to make a \$2 million SBA loan, he says.

And though the government guarantees the loans 100 percent, banks might not see that money if they don't follow the 31 pages of instructions to the letter, Seiwert says.

The SBA recently said in a written statement that it is monitoring complaints and might make some changes, such as streamlining the process.

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# BANKING

MELTDOWN 101

# ARE THERE TOO MANY BANK REGULATORS?

BY DANIEL WAGNER AND MARCY GORDON  
ASSOCIATED PRESS WRITERS

WASHINGTON — The financial crisis has renewed the focus on bank regulation. Critics contend the patchwork system contributed to the crisis by allowing some banks to slip through the cracks and others to seek weaker oversight.

Experts, including former regulators, say it's time to end the system in which different agencies oversee different types of banks.

Eugene Ludwig, who headed one of these agencies during the Clinton administration, recently told Congress the financial crisis showed that "the current outdated structure of the system has failed America." He called the "alphabet soup of regulators ... a product of history, not deliberation."

Congress is in the midst of restructuring the rules to bring about the most radical financial changes since the Great Depression. The regulatory jigsaw has become a flash point: The Obama administration proposed merging two of the agencies. Some powerful senators want to go further, creating a single supervisor for American banks.

Here are some questions and answers about banks and the regulators who oversee them.

## Q: What kinds of banks and regulators are we talking about here?

A: Variety abounds in the U.S. system. There are scores of big bank holding companies, such as Citigroup Inc. and Bank of America Corp., which sit atop their deposit-taking banks and fall under the supervision of the Federal Reserve. Nationally chartered banks are the province of the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency, an agency of the Treasury Department. The office also oversees U.S.-based branches of banks headquartered overseas.

The Office of Thrift Supervision, also within Treasury, regulates national savings and loans — which must have at least 65 percent of their lending in mortgages and other consumer loans. That made them especially vulnerable to the housing downturn. Savings and loans sometimes are called thrifts. Thrift holding companies also come under the OTS' oversight.

The Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. is the back-up regulator for all the roughly 8,100 federally-insured banks. It is the primary supervisor for state-chartered banks that are not members of the Federal Reserve system. That means the FDIC watches many banks already overseen by the OCC, OTS, Fed and state regulators.

Then there are credit unions, cooperatives that are owned by their members. Their regulator is the National Credit Union Administration.

## Q: That seems pretty complicated. How did we end up with so many regulators?

A: The bank regulator system looks like a quilt because that's how it was stitched together. After financial crises, the government patched the existing system of regulation — often by adding a new office — to improve oversight of the problem banks.

The OCC was created in 1863, during the Civil War, as part of an effort to establish a single, national currency.

The agencies that became the OTS, FDIC and NCUA came about between 1932 and 1934, in response to the 1929 stock market crash and the thousands of bank failures around the Great Depression.

The FDIC was given a dual mission when it was created in 1933: Making sure state-chartered banks are safe and sound, and running the fund that insures all bank deposits to protect consumers when banks fail.

## Q: Those sound like reasonable responses to past crises. Why do people think we're due for another change?

A: Critics say the patchwork system contributed to the financial crisis by fostering "regulatory arbitrage" — allowing financial institutions to shop for the regulator that will be the most lenient. The poster child for that problem is the insurance conglomerate American International Group Inc.

AIG was regulated by the OTS, but its exploding business of credit default swaps was run out of London and elsewhere, and fell through the regulatory cracks. The result: about \$182 billion in government commitments to prop up the New York-based company since its near-collapse helped spark the financial crisis.

Another massive failure was Countrywide Financial Corp. The Calabasas, Calif.-based mortgage lender was regulated jointly by the OCC and the Fed. After OCC regulators started cracking down on reckless subprime lending, Countrywide reorganized in 2006 under a thrift charter. That made it subject to OTS regulation, which executives saw as more lenient.

## Q: If the regulatory system led to the crisis, shouldn't it be streamlined?

A: The Obama administration says its proposals would solve the problem. The administration proposed merging the OTS and OCC into a single National Bank Regulator, while letting the other agencies keep their power. It dropped an earlier plan to combine more agencies.

Critics, including powerful lawmakers, have said the administration should have stuck with an earlier proposal to create a single, unified bank regulator. Senate Banking Committee Chairman Christopher Dodd, D-Conn., wants to combine powers spread across the Fed, OTS, FDIC and OCC.

That's a challenge politically because the regulators are fiercely protective of their turf. They say giving up power would weaken oversight.

Fed Chairman Ben Bernanke has objected to a proposed new agency that would take away the central bank's oversight of consumer financial issues. Comptroller of the Currency John Dugan and FDIC Chairman Sheila Bair also have criticized that proposal, and object to giving the Fed more power to oversee systemwide risk.

Dodd and others say the financial crisis showed that the system needs a fundamental overhaul. They think the jigsaw puzzle of regulators is a historical accident, and the administration plan is yet another Band-Aid at a time when surgery is required.



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## TECH

# WHERE'S THE NEXT BOOM?

## Maybe in 'cleantech'

By Jordan Robertson  
Associated Press writer

Our economy sure could use the Next Big Thing. Something on the scale of railroads, automobiles or the Internet — the kind of breakthrough that emerges every so often and builds industries, generates jobs and mints fortunes.

Silicon Valley investors are pointing to something called cleantech — alternative energy, more efficient power distribution and new ways to store electricity, all with minimal impact to the environment — as a candidate for the next boom.

And while no two booms are exactly alike, some hallmarks are already showing up.

Despite last fall's financial meltdown, public and private investments are pouring in, fueling startups and reinvigorating established companies. The political and social climates are favorable. If it takes off, cleantech could seep into every part of the economy and our lives.

Some of the biggest booms first blossomed during recessions. The telephone and phonograph were developed during the depression of the 1870s. The integrated circuit, a milestone in electronics, was invented in the recessionary year of 1958. Personal computers went mainstream, spawning a huge industry, in the slumping early 1980s.

A year into the Great Recession, innovation isn't slowing. This time, it's better batteries, more efficient solar cells, smarter appliances and electric cars, not to mention all the infrastructure needed to support the new ways energy will be generated and the new ways we'll be using it.

Yet for all the benefits that might be spawned by cleantech breakthroughs, no one knows how many jobs might be created — or how many old jobs might be cannibalized. It also remains to be seen whether Americans will clamor for any of its products.

Still, big bets are being placed. The Obama administration is pledging to invest \$150 billion over the next decade on energy technology and says that could create 5 million jobs. This recession has wiped out 7.2 million.

And cleantech is on track to be the dominant force in venture capital investments over the next few years, supplanting biotechnology and software. Venture capitalists have poured \$8.7 billion into energy-related startups in the U.S. since 2006.

That pales in comparison with the dot-com boom, when venture cash sometimes topped \$10 billion in a single quarter. But the momentum surrounding clean energy is reminiscent of the Internet's early days. Among the similarities: Although big projects are still dominated by large companies, the scale of the challenges requires innovation by smaller firms that hope to be tomorrow's giants.

"Ultimately IBM and AT&T didn't build the Internet. It was built by Silicon Valley startups," says Bob Metcalfe, an Internet pioneer who now invests in energy projects with Polaris Venture Partners. "And energy is going to be solved by entrepreneurial activity."

The action is happening at companies like GreatPoint Energy in Cambridge, Mass., which has developed a technique for turning coal into natural gas more cheaply and efficiently than previous methods.

GreatPoint plans to break ground next year on a power plant in Houston that will cost \$800 million and create thousands of construction jobs, says its CEO, Andrew Perlman. Dow Chemical Co. and energy giants AES Corp., Suncor Energy Inc. and Peabody Energy are all GreatPoint investors.

"The opportunities," Perlman says, "are staggering."

A123 Systems, a Watertown, Mass., maker of lithium-ion batteries for electric cars, had one of the most lucrative public stock offerings this year, raising \$437.5 million. Its stock price jumped more than 50 percent on the first day of trading in September, with investors willing to overlook that the company has yet to make money.

The Obama administration's promises about cleantech funding have galvanized the industry, reassuring entrepreneurs that they will have paying customers. The administration has said it will focus on putting more hybrid cars on the road, boosting the amount of electricity from renewable sources and investing in ways to cut pollution from coal.

One target is "smart grids." As utilities install digital meters in homes and Americans buy appliances that can communicate with the electric system, individual power consumption can be monitored more closely. People could be cued to dial down appliances such as refrigerators and air conditioners when electricity is in highest demand. Such fine-

tuning in millions of homes can reduce the need for new power plants.

At Tendril Networks Inc. of Boulder, Colo., which makes software that links utilities to smart-grid devices in homes, the staff has tripled over the past five months to 90. CEO Adrian Tuck says Tendril could grow even more if some of the \$4.5 billion earmarked for smart grids in this year's federal stimulus goes to Tendril's clients.

"What we're about to see is every bit as big as the telecom revolution that gave birth to the Internet and cell phones," Tuck says. "It's going to create as many jobs and as much wealth for this country, if they get it right. Big, Google-sized companies are going to be born in this era, and we hope to be one of them."

The government's push for these developments parallels the expansion of railroads in the 19th century, when the government granted blocks of land to companies laying track, says Jack Brown, an associate professor in the University of Virginia's Department of Science, Technology and Society.

One difference, Brown points out, is that clean energy is such a vast field that government could make the wrong choice in backing one type of technology over another.

It's not just startups getting in the game. General Electric Co. plans to string transmission lines to deliver solar or wind power. Hewlett-Packard Co. is adapting techniques for printer cartridge chips so digital sensors can send data to smart grids.

But how much of an economic boost does all this add up to? It's hard to tell — at least at this stage, without products people actually want to buy.

The laser, for instance, was a big innovation, but it wasn't clear at first what it could be used for. That's why there wasn't an economic boom in the 1960s from the advent of lasers, even though they ended up driving everything from medical devices to CD players for four decades.

Sung Won Sohn, an economics professor at California State University, Channel Islands, believes upgrading electric grids and finding new sources of power will provide steady job growth — but won't be an economic powder keg.

Clean energy projects could simply replace old jobs and functions, like meter-readers. And there's no guarantee new jobs won't shift to countries with cheaper labor.

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A portion of the 20-story tower housing a 'bluegas' reactor, which converts coal into natural gas, carbon dioxide, and hydrogen, is shown at GreatPoint Energy's test facility in Somerset, Mass. GreatPoint Energy has developed a technique for turning coal into natural gas more cheaply and efficiently than previous methods.

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## HOME LOANS

## FALLING BEHIND

## HOMEOWNERS IN FINANCIAL TROUBLE OFTEN REDEFAULT

By Alan Zibel  
Associated Press writer

WASHINGTON — Lenders are ramping up efforts to avoid home foreclosures, but a report by bank regulators says more than half of borrowers who get help fall behind again.

More than 50 percent of homeowners with loans modified in the first half of last year had missed at least two months of payments a year later, the federal Office of the Comptroller of the Currency and the Office of Thrift Supervision said.

But the results were better among those who saw their payments drop substantially.

About one in three borrowers whose monthly payments were reduced by 20 percent or more had fallen behind again within a year. That compares with more than 60 percent for borrowers whose loan payments were left unchanged or increased.

The report highlights a significant challenge for the Obama administration's plan to tackle the foreclosure crisis, backed by \$50 billion in money from the financial industry bailout fund.

The administration's effort got off to a slow start, but has picked up speed in recent months. As of last month, about 360,000 borrowers, or 12 percent of those eligible, have signed up for three-month trial modifications. They are supposed to be extended for five years if the homeowners make their payments on time. There is currently no data on redefaults within the plan.

Traditionally, most lenders have offered payment plans that allowed borrowers to catch up on



In this May 28 photo, a foreclosed home is shown in Mountain View, Calif. Lenders are ramping up efforts to avoid home foreclosures, but a report by bank regulators Sept. 30 said more than half of borrowers who get help fall behind again.

missed payments. But those modifications often do not involve an interest rate reduction and result in a higher monthly payment.

All that does is set the borrower up for failure, said Kristi Cahoon, an attorney and housing counselor with Legal Services of Northern Virginia. "A lot of them aren't true modifications," she said.

By contrast, under the Obama plan, she believes the loans will be sustainable for the homeowners she counsels. Borrowers' interest rates, for example, can go as low as 2 percent for five years under the Obama plan.

Bank regulators say they have pressed lenders to shift their focus to modifications that reduced borrowers' payments. They made up

nearly 80 percent of new modifications in the April-June quarter, up from about half in the first three months of the year.

The report covers 34 million loans, representing more than 60 percent of primary home mortgages. Consistent with other reports, it showed borrowers are continuing to fall behind as job losses mount.

More than 11 percent of borrowers covered by the report had missed at least one payment as of June 30, up from 10 percent in April.

It also highlighted mounting problems with an especially troubling category of loans — "pick-a-payment" or option ARM loans, which allowed borrowers to defer some of their interest payments and add them to

the principal. At the end of June, 10 percent of these loans were in foreclosure, more than triple the rate for all mortgages in the survey.

The lenders included in the report offered help to about 440,000 borrowers in the April-June period, they started foreclosure on about 370,000 homes, unchanged from the January-March period.

## 1 in 3 loan applications denied

By Alan Zibel  
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WASHINGTON — Nearly one in three borrowers who applied for a mortgage last year was denied as lenders kept their standards tight as the mortgage crisis accelerated, the government recently reported.

In its annual look at mortgage practices among lending institutions, Federal Reserve said the denial rate for all home loans was about 32 percent last year — about the same as in 2007, but up from 29 percent in 2006. The denial rates for blacks and Hispanics were more than twice as high as the rate for white borrowers.

The report highlights massive changes in the lending industry after the housing market bust. Overall loan applications were down by a third from a year earlier, and were half the level in 2006.

Loans backed by the Federal Housing Administration soared to 21 percent of all loans made last year from less than 5 percent in both 2005 and 2006.

For black borrowers, more than half of all loans were FHA-insured, more than triple a year earlier. For Hispanics, that number shot up to 45 percent, more than four times as high as in 2007. That was troubling news for consumer advocates.

"I'm hard-pressed to believe that many of those



borrowers couldn't have been served by the private sector," said John Taylor, chief executive of the National Community Reinvestment Coalition, a consumer group in Washington. "It implies that the industry has shut down in serving this population."

High-priced loans with rates at least 3 percentage points above the rate for prime loans, shrunk to nearly 12 percent of the market from a high of 29 percent in 2006.

But that figure mainly reflects unusually low interest rates during the recession, the report said, and understates the disappearance from the market of

high-priced subprime loans made to borrowers with poor credit.

Last year, about 17 percent of blacks and 15 percent of Hispanics got high-priced loans, compared with about 7 percent of whites. Even controlling for factors that might widen that discrepancy, there still a gap of almost 8 percentage points between the number of blacks and whites who got high-cost loans.

The mortgage industry says lenders are not discriminating by race, and are making adjustments based on borrowers' risk profile — such as their credit score and the size of their down payments.

"You still have a certain degree of risk-based pricing in the market," said Jay Brinkmann, the Mortgage Bankers Association's chief economist.

Lenders also scaled back dramatically on the amount of so-called "piggyback" mortgages, in which borrowers used second mortgages to avoid making a 20 percent down payment. Those loans have virtually disappeared from the market: Only 98,000 were made last year, down from 1.3 million annually in 2006.

The data, collected from nearly 8,400 lenders, is required under the Home Mortgage Disclosure Act of 1975.

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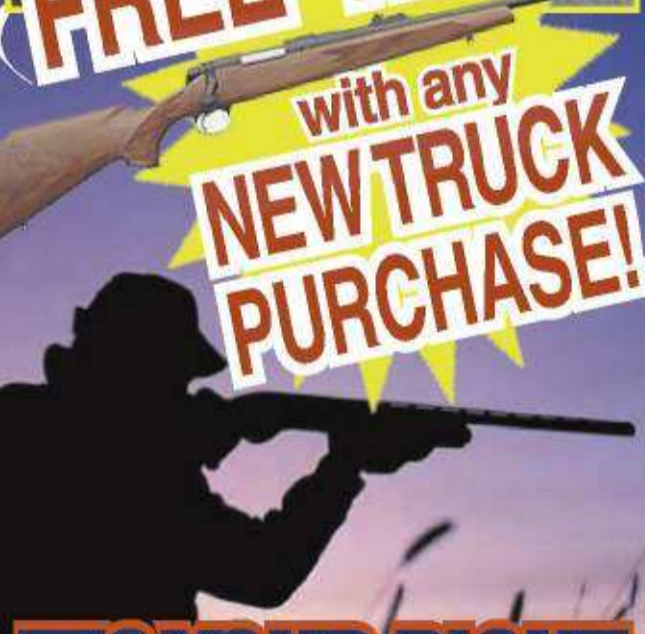
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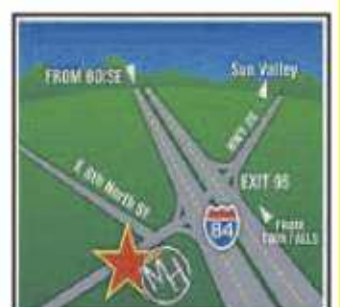
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