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Convict claims innocence in '93 murder

Gooding prosecutor, victim's child call for dismissal of relief petition

By Andrea Jackson
Times-News writer

GOODING — From their prison cells in Boise, two cousins are scraping at the

wounds they opened 15 years ago after admitting they killed two people.

Robert Johnson and Thomas Petersen are locked up for fixed-life prison terms

at the Idaho Correctional Center, but are fervently trying to get Johnson released.

When the cousins were 24, they admitted to killing Connie Allen, 31, and Ricky Mangum, 33, on Sept. 15, 1993, at the couple's home a few miles north of Gooding. Mangum and Allen were beaten, their throats were

slashed, and Allen was raped.

The cousins pleaded guilty to two counts of first-degree murder and skirted possible death penalties more than a decade ago.

But now, Petersen is taking full responsibility for the killings, as Johnson tries to get his conviction overturned.

The prisoners' efforts are entirely unwelcome to Allen's daughter, Thrisia Moore, who was 15 when her mother was killed.

"They should stay put," said Moore, last week about the men convicted of killing her mom. Johnson's petition

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Johnson

Petersen



Photos by ASHLEY SMITH/Times-News

The renovated dome of the Idaho State Capitol rotunda is seen from the first floor on Dec. 21. The 30-month, \$120 million renovation of the Capitol, which included the addition of two 25,000-square-foot wings and a number of other improvements, was its first major overhaul since 1920.

A CAPITOL IMPROVEMENT

IDAHO STATE CAPITOL TO REOPEN AFTER 30-MONTH RESTORATION, EXPANSION

BY BEN BOTKIN / TIMES-NEWS WRITER

The Idaho State Capitol has a new look, and just in time for the 2010 legislative session.

For the Capitol, it's the first major overhaul and facelift since 1920. Indeed, the 30-month, \$120 million project is comprehensive, and not limited to just one floor or area of the building.

The project adds space, too. The 50,000-square-foot underground expansion — one 25,000-square-foot wing on each side of the

INSIDE

Lawmakers must find bearings in new Capitol.

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Capitol — adds 10 committee hearing rooms to the building, each with a capacity of 80 to 200 people.

That means larger hearing rooms, giving the public a greater opportunity to see the legislative process unfold firsthand.



Pictures of past state representatives line a hallway in the 25,000-square-foot House side of the new Capitol expansion. The two expansion wings provide room for 10 more committee hearing rooms, giving the public additional opportunities to view the legislative process.



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VIEW a slide show of pictures showing the revamped Capitol, and read Capitol Confidential, a blog about politics by Ben Botkin.

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M-C vote on fixing spillway set for February

Burley Irrigation District asking voters for \$7.9M

By Nate Poppino
Times-News writer

The Burley Irrigation District will ask voters early next month for \$7.9 million to pay for its share of rebuilding a spillway at Minidoka Dam.

But it wasn't clear Thursday whether the Minidoka Irrigation District also plans an election that date, or whether noticing requirements in state law will force it to delay a bond election until May.

Both districts, the Bonneville Power Administration, the Idaho Department of Parks and Recreation and the U.S. Fish

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Former Gitmo detainees help al-Qaida grow in Yemen

By Mike Melia and Sarah El Deeb
Associated Press writers

SAN JUAN, Puerto Rico — As a prisoner at Guantanamo, Said Ali al-Shihri said he wanted freedom so he could go home to Saudi Arabia and work at his family's furniture store.

Instead, al-Shihri, who was released in 2007 under the Bush administration, is now deputy leader of al-Qaida in the Arabian Peninsula, a group that has claimed responsibility for the Christmas Day attempted bomb attack on a Detroit-bound airliner.

His potential involvement in the terrorist plot has raised new opposition to releasing Guantanamo Bay inmates, complicating President Obama's pledge to close the military prison in Cuba. It also highlights the challenge of identifying the hard-core militants as the administration decides what to do with the remaining 198 prisoners.

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MORNING BRIEFING

Pat's Picks

Three things to do today

Pat Marcantonio



● Gather up family and friends and go tubing. The Sawtooth National Forest has several great sites. Call your nearest forest office.

● Sign up the kids for the Twin Falls High School Little Dribblers basketball camp on Jan. 16 at Baun Gymnasium. This is for youngsters in grades K-5. Cost is \$30. Information: Matt Harr, 737-5208, ext. 3050.

● Look beyond your own

tax returns. The AARP Foundation Tax Aide program needs volunteers to help provide free tax preparation for low-income people. They will train you, starting Monday. Information: Jim, 733-1808.

Have your own pick to share? Something unique to the area that may surprise people? E-mail me at patm@gmagicvalley.com.

Murder

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for post-conviction relief, filed July 29, is still pending in Gooding County 5th District Court.

"I don't think you ever come to terms with it," Moore said about murder.

According to his court paperwork, Johnson is claiming that a new confession from Petersen proves that Johnson "had not committed a crime and was actually a victim."

Gooding County prosecutors strongly disagree, though, saying there are no new details in the case, and that Johnson's petition should be quickly dismissed. Judge John Butler is awaiting briefings from both sides before he takes it under advisement, his clerk said Thursday.

Johnson and Petersen say that the only killer was Petersen, who hopes Butler will allow him to testify in Johnson's post-conviction case. Petersen now says he had lied to police about the crime.

"The torturing of Mr. Johnson was fun however it's not the same anymore," wrote Petersen in a Dec. 19 letter riddled by misspellings. "This is not easy for me. But it's the write (sic) thing to do!"

"I am trying to tell the truth to clear my conscience," Petersen wrote. "The families of the victims need the truth and should have known years ago."

Petersen wrote that 15 years ago his true confession was replaced by lies. "The tape was removed from the recorder and a new one was put in. I've known this for years and had not told Mr. Johnson this," Petersen wrote to the *Times-News* in December.

Johnson's lawyer, David Heita, claims in court records that evidence was withheld that "would have plainly established that the petitioner (Johnson) did not actually participate in the killing of either victim."

Heita says in court records that Petersen's confession might have shown that Johnson "did not commit

"I am trying to tell the truth to clear my conscience.

The families of the victims need the truth and should have known years ago."

— Convicted murderer
Thomas Petersen

felony murder, but that he was in fact a victim of Thomas Petersen, and it would have been a significant factor weighing in favor of a more lenient sentence."

Gooding County Prosecutor Calvin Campbell's staff is fighting Johnson's petition for relief and motioned Dec. 24 for a dismissal, he said.

Johnson raped Allen, so he didn't need to do the killing to be found guilty of Idaho's felony murder statute, Gooding County authorities say.

Even Johnson himself echoed that in court when he pleaded guilty, according to his comments in a court transcript from June 24, 1994. "The felony murder rule says that I committed a felony — if I was there — if I committed a felony, I'm therefore guilty also. That I added to the circumstances," Johnson said. "I don't want to face the death penalty. I don't want to die. I did something wrong ... This is why the legal system's here, to pay for it, and that's what I'm doing."

Johnson's lawyer at the time of his guilty plea, Keith Roark, requested a sentence of 30 years, according to court files. "The only good that can possibly come from this tragic incident is the reclamation of a human life, the life of Robert Johnson."

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TODAY'S HAPPENINGS

ARTS AND ENTERTAINMENT

"A Year with Frog and Toad," presented by Company of Fools, 3 p.m., Liberty Theatre, 110 N. Main St., Hailey, tickets: \$25 for adults, \$18 for seniors (62 and older) and \$10 for children (18 and younger), at box office one hour before show, 578-9122. "It's a Wonderful Life: A Live Radio Play" presented by Company of Fools, 8 p.m., Liberty Theatre, 110 N. Main St., Hailey, \$25 for adults, \$18 for senior citizens and \$10 for children 18 and younger, 208-578-9122.

CHURCH EVENTS

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

CLUBS AND ORGANIZATIONS

Potluck lunch and dance, with Music Melody

Masters, 2 to 5 p.m., Jerome Senior Center, 520 N. Lincoln, \$4 per person, 208-324-5642.

FAMILY

First Sunday of Month luncheon, pizza for friends and neighbors, 11 to 2 p.m., Wendell United Methodist Church, 175 E. Main St., Wendell, freewill offering, 208-536-2305.

HOBBIES AND CRAFTS

Twin Falls Poker League, 7 p.m., in the Blueroom, Woody's, 213 Fifth Ave. S., Twin Falls, 732-0077.

SPORTS

Canceled: Jerome Rod and Gun Club sporting clays shoot, due to weather conditions; next shoot Jan. 18, 733-6045.

TODAY'S DEADLINES

Reminder: Tuesday's Magic Valley New Neighbors, meeting and lunch, 11:30 a.m.,

Pasta Roma, 611 Blue Lakes Blvd., Twin Falls, speaker: Mark Schwartz of St. Luke's Magic Valley Regional Medical Center, \$12, 735-24422.

Reminder: Tuesday's NAIFA Southern Idaho meeting, presentation by Catherine Parke on prearrangement planning, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., Loong Hing Restaurant, 1719 Kimberly Road, Twin Falls, 737-4112.

Meeting memo for Monday: Magic Valley Region of the Idaho Chapter of the American Society of Farm Managers and Rural Appraisers meeting, with speaker Alan Horner, First Federal Savings, on local banking issues, 7 a.m., Depot Grill, 545 Shoshone St. S., Twin Falls, 733-0874 or henri@lemoynealty.com.

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

Vote

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and Wildlife Service are working together to pay for the \$65 million spillway replacement.

Officials with the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation say the project, scheduled for completion in April 2013, is necessary to shore up a dam whose useful life has run out.

Minidoka Dam and its 2,000-foot-long concrete spillway sit about 18 miles northeast of Burley and inside the Minidoka Wildlife Refuge.

In 2004, a crew of two men tore out one of the piers during an eight-hour shift, revealing that dam construction has very soft concrete and very little rebar. The new construction will

use roller-compacted concrete for a cost savings, which has a lifespan of 200 to 300 years.

Idaho's congressional delegation is working to appropriate funds for the federal portion of the costs. U.S. Sen. Mike Crapo visited Burley in September, and he, fellow Sen. Jim Risch and U.S. Rep. Mike Simpson sent a letter in October to Reclamation Commissioner Michael Conner, formally inviting him to tour the dam.

But a good portion of the work will require millions of dollars from the irrigation districts that rely on the dam for their supplies.

The Burley district needs approval from two-thirds of voters in its special bond election to raise the funds,

according to a legal notice published Thursday in the *Times-News*. Landowners in the district, which covers part of northern Cassia County, will be able to cast their votes from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Feb. 2. Applications for absentee ballots must be received by the BID's secretary by 5 p.m. Jan. 27, six days before the election.

At an expected 6 percent interest rate, a total of \$17.6 million would actually be paid over the life of the bonds.

The *Times-News* was also expecting an election notice from the Minidoka district, which covers part of southern Minidoka County, but has not yet received the details of any possible election there. Calls to the dis-

trict on Thursday were not answered.

Any parallel election may have to be delayed to meet noticing requirements, however. Though it could not be confirmed with district representatives, the Minidoka district appears not to have enough time to run public notices in the newspaper before the Feb. 2 date. The next election date is May 25.

The spillway renovation is not the same project as a proposal by the state of Idaho to raise the dam by five feet, improving its storage potential. State water officials said in September they expect to have draft results of a study into raising the dam compiled in time for the 2010 Legislature to review.

al-Qaida

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Like other former Guantanamo detainees who have rejoined al-Qaida in Yemen, al-Shihri, 36, won his release despite jihadist credentials such as, in his case, urban warfare training in Afghanistan.

He later goaded the United States, saying Guantanamo only strengthened his anti-American convictions.

"By God, our imprisonment has only increased our persistence and adherence to our principles," he said in a speech when al-Qaida in the Arabian Peninsula formed in Yemen in January 2009. It was included in a propaganda film for the group.

Al-Shihri and another Saudi released from Guantanamo in 2006, Ibrahim Suleiman al-Rubaish, appear to have played significant roles in al-Qaida's expanding offshoot in Yemen. While the extent of any involvement in the airliner plot is unclear, al-Rubaish, 30, is a theological adviser to the group and his writings and sermons are prominent in the group's literature.

After the group's first attack outside Yemen, a failed attempt on the Saudi counterterrorism chief in August, al-Rubaish cited the experience in Guantanamo as a motive.

"They (Saudi officials) are the ones who came to Guantanamo, not to ask about us and reassure us, but to interrogate us and to provide the Americans with information — which was the reason for increased torture against some," he said in an audio recording posted on the Internet.

Pentagon figures indicate that al-Shihri and al-Rubaish are a small if dramatic minority among the released detainees: Overall, 14 percent of the more than 530 detainees transferred out of Guantanamo are confirmed or suspected to have been involved in terrorist activities since their release.

Still, three other Saudis released from Guantanamo under the Bush administration surfaced with al-Qaida in Yemen over the last year. They include field com-



AP photo/IntelCenter

This image taken from a video released Jan. 23, 2009, by al-Malahim Media Foundation, the media arm of Al-Qaida in the Arabian Peninsula, shows a man IntelCenter identifies as Said al-Shihri, a senior leader of al-Qaida in the Arabian Peninsula. Al-Shihri was once held in U.S. custody in Guantanamo Bay and then released in November 2007, and then later went through a Saudi rehabilitation program.

mander Abu al-Hareth Muhammad al-Oufi, who later surrendered and was handed over to Saudis, and two fighters who were killed by security forces: Youssef al-Shihri and Fahd Jutayli.

All five men passed through a Saudi rehabilitation program praised by U.S. authorities before crossing the southern border into Yemen.

At least one Yemeni from Guantanamo apparently rejoined the fight.

A Yemen Defense Ministry newspaper said last week that Hani al-Shulan, who was released in 2007, was killed in a Dec. 17 air strike that targeted suspected militants.

At Guantanamo, some of the men had played down their links to terrorism.

Said al-Shihri, who is now formally known as the secretary general of the al-Qaida branch, told American investigators that he traveled to Afghanistan two weeks after the Sept. 11, 2001, terror attacks to aid refugees, according to documents released by the Pentagon.

The file also says he received weapons training at a camp north of Kabul and was hospitalized in Pakistan for a month and a half after he was wounded by an airstrike.

Although he allegedly met with extremists in Iran and helped them get into Afghanistan, he claimed he went to Iran to buy carpets for his store. He said that if released, he wanted to see a daughter born while he was at Guantanamo and try to

work at the family store in Riyadh, according to the documents.

In contrast, Youssef al-Shihri, who was killed in October near the Yemeni border with Saudi Arabia, openly declared rage against America to his captors at Guantanamo. He is not related to Said al-Shihri.

"The detainee stated he considers all Americans his enemy," according to documents from his Guantanamo review hearings. "Since Americans are the detainee's enemy, he will continue to fight them until he dies. The detainee pointed to the sky and told the interviewing agents that he will have a meeting with them in the next life."

The U.S. has repatriated 120 Saudi detainees from Guantanamo, including some still considered to pose a threat, in part because of confidence the Saudi government can minimize the risk. The Saudi rehabilitation program encourages returning detainees to abandon Islamic extremism and reintegrate into civilian life.

The deprogramming effort — built on reason, enticements and counseling — is part of a concerted Saudi government effort to counter extremist ideology. Returning detainees have lengthy talks with psychiatrists, Muslim clerics and sociologists at secure compounds with facilities such as gyms and swimming pools.

Bruce Hoffman, a security studies professor at

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Obama: Al-Qaida affiliate in Yemen apparently responsible for airline bombing plot.

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Georgetown University, stressed that the large majority of those going through the program have not rejoined extremist groups.

"It's unrealistic to say none of them will return to terrorism," he said. "Is two too many? I don't know how to make that judgment. But you have to look at it in the broader perspective ... There's also a risk in imprisoning people for life and throwing away the key."

For the roughly 90 Yemeni detainees remaining at Guantanamo, the recent terror plot's Yemeni roots will add new layers of scrutiny to any transfers. Repatriation talks with the Yemeni government have stalled for years over security issues, with the U.S. sending back only about 20 Yemenis out of concern over the impoverished nation's ability to contain militants.

U.S. Congress members have called on the Obama administration to stop releasing any detainees to Yemen or other unstable countries.

"I have read the classified biographies of the detainees to be released. They are dangerous people. I am troubled by every one of the detainees who is being sent back," said U.S. Rep. Frank Wolf, a Virginia Republican.

Six Yemenis were sent home from Guantanamo in December, and detainees' attorneys say about 35 more have already been cleared for release by an administration task force. They are the largest group left at Guantanamo, so finding new homes for them is key to Obama's pledge to close the prison. Their attorneys are not optimistic about the transfers going through.

"I'm fearful that will grind to a halt after the events of Christmas Day," said Rick Murphy, a Washington attorney who represents five Yemenis at Guantanamo.

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Law & Disorder...

... in Cassia County

From Dec. 5 police reports:

Driving violations:

A 46-year-old insurance agent was pulled over for speeding in Burley. According to the report, his license was suspended for a year beginning in October for having no proof of insurance. "(He) stepped out of the vehicle and was wearing business attire and a shirt identifying himself as an employee for an insurance agency," Deputy Jason Rogers' report reads. "He said he works for an insurance company and he has insurance on all of his stuff ... (He) was on his way to business meetings about insur-

ance with other companies." The man claimed his wife forgot to put the insurance card in their vehicle and that "if the state showed he was suspended than (sic) it was a mistake on their part."

The man was warned about speeding and cited for driving without privileges.

Abandoned vehicle:

Police responded to Cassia Regional Medical Center "for kid ridding of (sic) a three wheeler in the parking lot." Deputy Chris Weber's report reads. No suspects.

— Damon Hunzeker

Is mechanical incompetence contagious?

I am the least handy husband in Idaho, and my wife has noticed that other guys in our neighborhood are becoming all thumbs too.

The fella down the street had an inflatable Santa in his front yard. But he pumped in too much air on Christmas Eve and it burst.

A woman who lives nearby had her carpet and sub-flooring ruined because her 18-year-old son didn't know how to cut off the water to the washing machine when the hose broke.

The dude across the street set his deck on fire when his refrigerator-turned-fish smoker overheated.

This is an ominous trend.

In the last few trips to Home Depot and Lowe's, I've overheard conversations like this one:

Male customer: "I want a pipe that looks like this one."

Sales associate: "What do you want it for, sir?"

Male customer: "To fix the doohickey under the sink."

Sales associate: "Um, what kind of doohickey sir?"

Male customer: "The one that's flooding the kitchen."

When an Idahoan doesn't know the name of an object, his default description is "the thing on the deal there."

Sales associate: "You understand, sir, that if you don't follow the directions for installing this gas water heater, it can be very dangerous."

Male customer: "No problem. I'll keep the thing on the deal there."

Mostly, I blame big-box home improvement stores for engendering a false sense of confidence among the mechanically hopeless.

Strolled through the power-tools department lately? I defy you to go home without something sharp.

Last month, Forbes magazine published an article

DON'T ASK ME

Steve Crump



about power tools that don't care.

"If you're not in construction, you might have missed the story about the fellow who was using a power drill while standing on a stepladder," the magazine said. "He fell, landing on the drill bit. It cut through his upper jaw and skull bones, killing him."

Want more workshop horror stories?

- A guy lost his footing while holding a circular saw. The spinning blade severed his carotid artery.

- Then there was the teenager who was helping to clear brush. While using a shovel to push branches into a wood chipper, he was pulled in and killed.

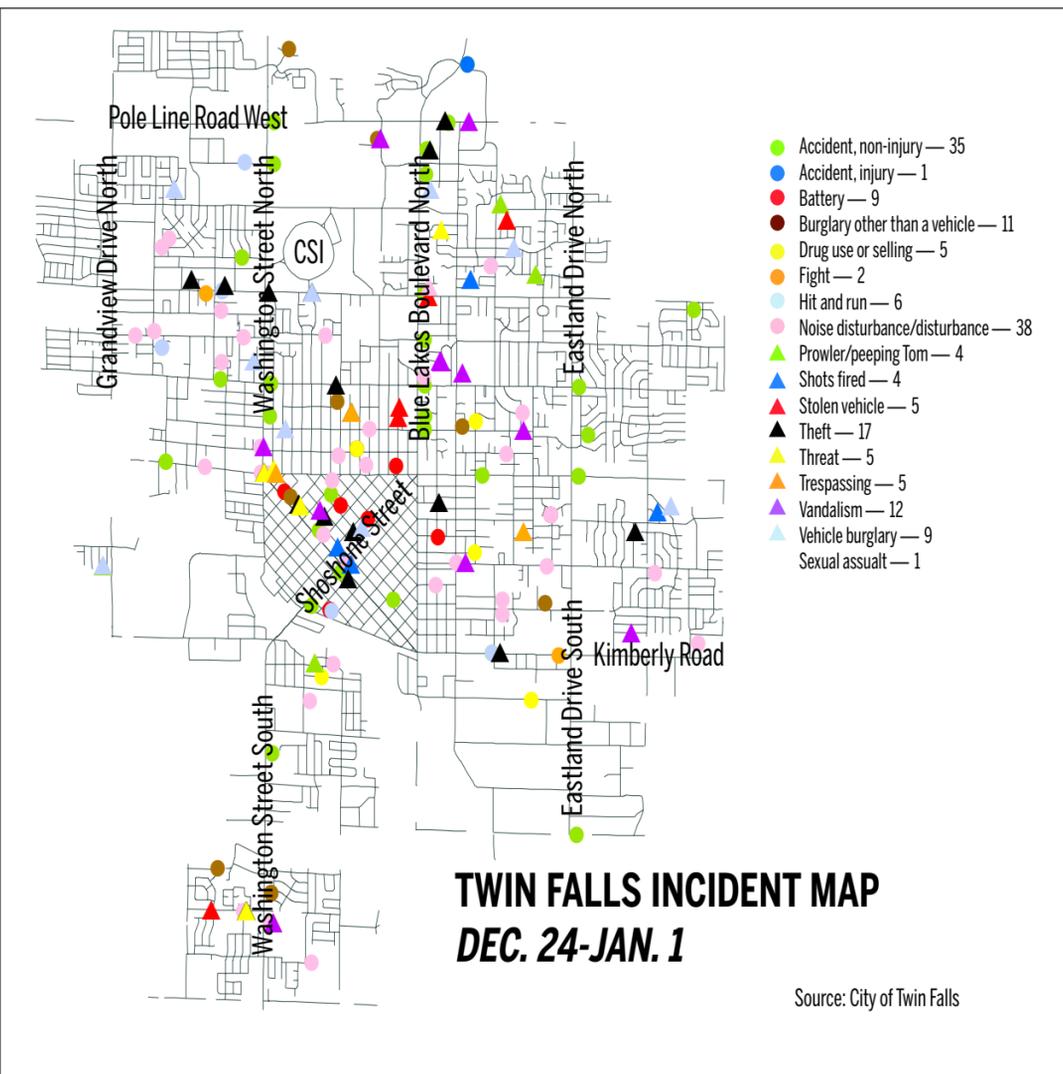
- A carpenter was using a nail gun to install a joist hanger. The nail missed the hole in the hanger, bounced against the metal and landed in the carpenter's mouth, taking out three teeth.

"Where once the non-pro was exposed only to danger from lawnmowers and jig saws, the democratization of power equipment has opened up new world of hazards for the do-it-yourselfer," Forbes said. "People with zero experience are walking into rental centers and coming home with concrete saws, fencepost augers and backhoes."

Workshop injuries have risen steadily in the past few years. In 2008, there were an estimated 400,000 emergency room visits caused by power tools.

Gee, that was the year I got my nail gun.

Steve Crump may be reached at 735-3223. Hear him on KLLX-1310 at 8:30 a.m. on Friday.



TWIN FALLS INCIDENT MAP
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Source: City of Twin Falls

E. Idaho county working on landfill gas deal

POCATELLO (AP) — Officials in eastern Idaho are negotiating with an Atlanta-based company to produce electricity from methane found in decaying garbage in the Bannock County landfill.

County officials have applied for a permit to extract and burn the methane, and G2 Energy is interested in paying for the infrastructure needed to produce the power in exchange for part of the profits and environmental tax credits.

Bannock County Solid Waste Department Manager Therese Marchetti said the project would involve digging wells in the existing landfill, which is expected to fill in 2011.

After the landfill is moved to a new area, pipes would collect gas in the old landfill.

"You have to do something with methane. That's one of the regulations. So we're being proactive," Bannock County Solid Waste Department Manager Therese Marchetti told the Idaho State Journal.

Marchetti said G2 Energy would likely invest about \$2 million in the project if an agreement is reached. The company proposed the project to the county several years ago.

A feasibility study has not been completed, Marchetti said, so it's unclear how much power could be generated.

"We're all in favor of the project provided that it's a clean project, and I think it's going to be a clean project," said Bannock County Commission Chairman Steve Hadley. "We're still in

the early stages." The deadline for the public to be asked for a public comment period on the project is Jan. 14. If one is requested, a 30-day public comment period would start in March. A draft air quality permit would also be released.

"From what they've done on their analysis, it doesn't look like there's anything that is going to be a problem or over the limits," said Carole Zundel, a permit writer for the Idaho Department of Environmental Quality's Boise office.

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AROUND THE WEST

IDAHO
Recent snow produces avalanche danger in C. Idaho

KETCHUM — Avalanche forecasters in central Idaho are predicting considerable avalanche danger this weekend for backcountry adventurers.

The Payette Avalanche Center and the Sawtooth Avalanche Center issued the advisories early Saturday.

Meanwhile, the Idaho Transportation Department says Idaho State Highway 21 connecting Boise to the central Idaho town of Stanley is closed due to avalanche danger.

Road crews on Friday cleared an avalanche from U.S. Highway 20 that is a main route to the resort area of Ketchum in central Idaho.

Idaho tax revenue short of projections in November

BOISE — The state Division of Financial Management says tax revenue collected for the state general fund fell short of projections for the third consecutive month in November.

Revenue was about \$1.5 million below expectations.

But state officials say revenue collected this fiscal year is \$3 million higher than was estimated in August.

The report was recently given to Idaho lawmakers.

The state collected \$936.5 million in revenue through November for the fiscal year that began July 1.

That's slightly more than the August prediction of \$933.4 million.

Authorities recover body of E. Idaho ice fisherman

POCATELLO — The body of an Idaho Falls man who authorities say drowned after breaking through ice at the Indian Creek area of Palisades Reservoir has been recovered.

Sixty-six-year-old John Young was reported missing Wednesday evening.

The Bonneville County Back Country unit later found Young's vehicle on the Indian Creek boat ramp.

A search and rescue team located Young's body about 5 p.m. Thursday using an underwater sonar device.

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UTAH
Openly gay man to join SLC Council

SALT LAKE CITY — An openly gay man will be sworn in Monday as a Salt Lake City councilman.

Stan Penfold, who was elected to represent the liberal Avenues and Capitol Hill areas, is thought to be the council's first openly gay member.

Penfold said the council has done a "remarkable job" on social issues and he doesn't intend to become a lightning rod for gay rights.

Among other actions, the council has passed ordinances banning discrimination against gays in housing and employment. Penfold said he will focus on grass-roots issues such as affordable housing and improving neighborhoods' quality of life.

"I want Salt Lake city government to see a city of neighborhoods," he told the Salt Lake Tribune.

The 52-year-old Penfold grew up Mormon in Humboldt County, Calif., and ran nurseries in Sandy and West Jordan after moving to Utah nearly 30 years ago. His parents hail from Idaho and met at Brigham Young University in Provo.

He was executive director of the Utah AIDS Foundation over the last decade, and served on the city's zoning rewrite committee.

— The Associated Press



Penfold

Idaho Falls man has passion for rare Idaho poker chips

By Nick Draper
Post Register

IDAHO FALLS — Richard Jimenez has a passion for poker chips.

When he isn't working his day job selling and trading collectible coins, currency and antiques, Jimenez is trying to locate rare Idaho poker chips.

"There was gambling that went on everywhere," said the co-owner of Trackside Mall in Idaho Falls. "Basically that's what I'm trying to do is get all the information I can because that is hard to find."

Jimenez started collecting 25 years ago when a friend showed him a few poker chips while they were trading other items.

So far, he's amassed 260 different kinds of chips, a collection Jimenez estimates is valued at \$30,000.

Some of his chips are the only ones known to exist, such as a yellow chip from a place called the Crescent Club in Salmon in northcentral Idaho, and others have yet to be identified.

In the first half of the 20th century, nearly every Idaho bar, cigar store, pool hall and private club, like the Elks or Eagles, conducted poker games using their own, custom-made chips.

When the state outlawed gambling in 1949, many places took their poker games underground, prompting law enforcement



AP photo

Richard Jimenez of Idaho Falls sits in front of his collection of Idaho poker chips on Dec 23. He has been collecting poker chips for about 25 years and has assembled a collection of hundreds of chips from old Idaho businesses and clubs. Clubs like the Elks and Eagles, as well as bars, cigar stores and pool halls almost all had their own custom chips.

to raid and close several of the surviving card rooms.

After a confiscating the poker chips, police officers would often destroy them or haul them to a dump, Jimenez said.

"I do a lot of dump digging and I never find a chip in a dump," he said.

Many chips survived, however, because club owners either voluntarily shut down their games and kept their chips or stashed their chips in an attic and simply forgot about them.

It's those types of chips that Jimenez is hunting, although he said they're not easy to get.

Jimenez travels the state each summer trying to locate former bar and club owners or their relatives to see if they might have old poker chips in their possession. He also visits Elks Lodges or Eagles Aeries and talks with customers who visit him at Trackside Mall.

On a recent trip to Salmon, once a gambling hotbed, Jimenez scored some rare chips after finding and speaking with the wife of a bar owner who ran \$10,000 poker games in the 1930s.

"That's where you get your information is from the older people," he said.

While Jimenez has chips

from all across the state, the ones originating in Idaho Falls are his favorites.

He has chips from the now-extinct Fletcher West Cigar Store, the El Paso pool hall and the Havana Club in downtown Idaho Falls, yet still can't find chips he knows were once used at Ford's Bar.

Jimenez's quest for Idaho poker chips has been personal for the most part, but that's about to change.

Jimenez plans on publishing a book about his collection, complete with pictures of each poker chip and its story. He says he doesn't want people to forget about Idaho's gambling past.

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A view of the Senate chambers at the Idaho State Capitol.

Capitol

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Inside the Capitol, changes abound, all completed with an eye toward preserving the building's history and architecture.

Marble flooring and decorative plaster were repaired. Windows were restored and refinished, as were wood doors.

On the second floor, contemporary needs of the 21st century are combined with preserving earlier architecture. Staff members of the governor, lieutenant governor, secretary of state and attorney general have modern office spaces. The governor's office, meanwhile, uses scagliola, a plaster designed to match existing marble.

On the third floor, the chambers of the House, Senate and Joint Finance-Appropriations Committee still have millet-covered walls alongside Monterey white trim in most areas of the upper floor.

The Senate Lounge, formerly a caucus room, offers state senators a quiet haven to unwind and chat, free from the intrusion of the public or press. Its light fixtures resemble that of 1920 architecture, and the window cases are Honduran mahogany, with factory-constructed windows and sashes for energy efficiency.

On the fourth floor, restoration work included removing red carpet platforms, cleaning columns and repairing and replacing marble. The platforms' removal restores the building to its original plan for more light to reach the lower floors.

The first construction of the Capitol took place more than a century ago. Work began on the center section of the Capitol in 1905 and was finished in 1912. The east and west wings, which house the House and Senate chambers, were finished in 1920.

Revenues from the state's cigarette tax are paying for the renovation, and the project came in under budget.



Photos by ASHLEY SMITH/Times-News

The columns in the Capitol were renovated with scagliola, a plaster with paint pigment that imitates the look of marble and helps blend the columns with marble from Vermont and Alaska used in the building.

TAKE PART

The Idaho State Capitol will have a rededication ceremony at noon Saturday, which will be followed by a housewarming for the public.

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Pipes snake across a wall of the Idaho State Capitol, directing water from the Warm Springs geothermal well throughout the building. The use of the geothermal well water is intended to reduce the carbon footprint of the Capitol.

A pathway on the west side of the Capitol leads into the Garden Level Vestibule, where a visitor center will be located and a number of art exhibits will adorn the walls.



Lawmakers must find bearings in new Idaho Capitol

By John Miller
Associated Press writer

BOISE — Beneath Idaho's Capitol dome, Bob Geddes lost his bearings. Not his political bearings; the Soda Springs Republican remains Senate president.

But in an underground hallway excavated during \$122.5 million worth of expansion and renovations these past two years, Geddes recently became disoriented. Pointing toward Senate meeting rooms, he said, "This is the House side. I think?"

The eight-term lawmaker is to be forgiven. The century-old Capitol is now 50,000 square feet bigger.

While Geddes kept his office outside of the Senate's third-floor chambers, other less-senior lawmakers face the task of acquainting themselves with the fastest route from new underground quarters to wherever they're heading: Honduran mahogany-paneled hearing rooms, the basement gift shop or maybe "statuary hall," a fourth-floor public area with a barrel ceiling and beaux arts columns that mirrors its 1912 appearance — only with public wireless Internet.

After two sessions in the cramped old Ada County Courthouse, there may still be a few hiccups.

"That is going to be one of the biggest challenges, people finding their way around," said Robyn Lockett, Capitol services coordinator. "It's a whole new world over here."

Maps will be available at the visitor's desk located in the basement, what Capitol officials call "the garden level."

The Capitol won't officially open until a ceremony on Saturday, though officials like Gov. C.L. "Butch" Otter have already reoccupied their traditional quarters. Otter's are on the second floor.

Gone is the fourth-floor "Gold Room," previously the building's biggest meeting room.

A west-wing auditorium, complete with a sloping theater-style seating area, is more than twice the size, with capacity for 240. Nearby, the Senate and House dining room has space for 76 hungry lawmakers, family members or guests. As always, no lobbyists or reporters are allowed inside.

And the small dome above where budget writers meet on the third floor has been shored up, in case of earth-

quakes. That's probably not a bad thing, considering the expected rumble over cost cutting needed to close another \$50 million 2010 budget hole.

Just who is paying for this work, including the \$2 million restoration on green-veined faux marble called scagliola that adorns rotunda columns?

Cigarette smokers.

Annually, \$20.1 million of the roughly \$44 million raised by Idaho's 57-cent-per-pack tax goes to pay off \$130 million in bonds sold in 2006. The final installment, about \$12 million, will be made in 2014.

Smokers in surrounding states who make runs across the border to take advantage of Idaho's lower cigarette prices are helping pick up the tab — at their own peril, it turns out. If Washington State Patrol troopers catch their residents with Idaho cigarettes in the trunk, there's a smuggling penalty of \$250, or \$10 a pack, whichever is greater.

"Washingtonians that are breaking the law are helping pay the bill over there," Mike Gowrylow, a Washington State Department of Revenue spokesman.

Idaho officials began their push to renovate the Capitol in 1998. In 2001, lawmakers set aside \$64 million for the project, only to raid that stash after the recession that struck later that year.

By 2005, Sen. Joe Stegner, R-Lewiston, was pushing to add two-story underground wings, similar to those at the Texas Statehouse. The old Ada County Courthouse and Borah Post Office would temporarily house state government during the work.

In early 2007, however, that plan almost collapsed, as lawmakers duked it out with Otter. He favored clipping the wings and spreading government to existing state-owned buildings. A compromise emerged, with Otter and the Legislature agreeing to just a single underground level.

Even after demolition workers finally cordoned the building off with cyclone fence in 2007, challenges remained.

By last January, unexpected delays — in the form of crumbling walls and rotten concrete — had pushed workers a month behind schedule, causing jitters among some lawmakers over whether they would actually be back in the building come 2010.

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"Not to know where he was ... It's a hole in your life that you can't fill with anything else."
 — Kay Cummins of Hayden, who didn't know where her father was buried for 55 years after his death

Woman returns father's remains to N. Idaho

By Alecia Warren
 Coeur d'Alene Press

HAYDEN — Fifty years of not knowing took its toll on Kay Cummins.

Years measured in unanswered letters for information. Years clinging to faint memories of a smiling, taciturn man. Years wondering why her mother never revealed the truth.

But last spring in a well manicured cemetery just outside Panama City, she finally found her father.

"It was just overwhelming. The search was over, you know?" said Cummins, 66, who lives in Hayden and Sacramento, Calif. "Not to know where he was ... It's a hole in your life that you can't fill with anything else!"

It took 55 years after her father's death to track down his final resting place, a family mystery since his fatal heart attack in 1956 while working at a U.S. naval base in the Panama Canal Zone.

"Our mother knew initially (where he was buried), but she wouldn't tell us," Cummins said of how she and her sister nagged for answers. "As she got older we'd ask her, and she said she didn't know, she just didn't know. I think it was guilt that she didn't do what he would've wanted her to do."

Cummins could never let go of the certainty that her father, Cloys Herbert Harkleroad, should be buried in Coeur d'Alene, where he had found success and built his family.

"This was a place that he loved," she said.

The Arkansas-born man had moved to North Idaho in 1926 to find whatever work he could, first as a miner and then an employee for the U.S. Forest Service.

He became a fixture on Sherman Avenue from 1941 to 1949 with his shop, Bill's Electric, named after the moniker that folks found easier on the tongue than his birth name.

That experience landed him the big opportunity in 1953, Cummins said, when he hooked a job operating the electrical system on Rodman Naval Station in Panama.

"He was a very good electrician. He was good at what he did," she remembered.

The whole family moved with him to Central America, Cummins said, where life was blissful for three and a half years among lush forests and glittering blue ocean.

"It was an adventure," she said. "We swam every day in the base pool. We had a cafeteria, and there was a new movie every night they showed for the military. We did all those things that one does in a community."

Every Sunday belonged to Cummins and her father, she added, when he sneaked her out of the house for driving lessons while everyone else was asleep.

"We'd go out and go for long drives," she said. "Sundays were his day."

All that ended when she was 13.

No one saw heart failure coming for the 50-year-old family man.

"It was a huge loss to all of us," Cummins said. "He was everything to me."

Cummins' mother, sud-

denly single and without a job, made split-second decisions to cremate her husband and bury him in Panama, which the family knew he hadn't wanted.

"You have to understand, my mother was a woman who had never worked in her life, and now she had a child to support and she didn't know what to do," Cummins said, adding that her older sister had already left home. "She was in a chaotic situation. We were far away from friends and family, and communications weren't what they are now."

They never visited Harkleroad's grave before they moved to Long Beach, Calif., Cummins said.

That haunted her as she grew older.

"We had all left him behind," she said. "I just needed to know where he was, that he was in a good place."

Knowing her father had died at Gorgas Hospital in Ancon, Panama, Cummins sent letters to the facility in the '70s and '80s. She never got a response.

She admits she gave up, thinking the worst.

"Especially after we gave up the canal, I thought that he was lost," she said of the U.S. decision to transfer canal ownership to Panama in the late '70s. "My letters didn't get me anywhere. I couldn't locate him on the Internet. I wasn't sure there was anything that I could do."

Not until last year.

Cummins, marketing manager of the Aerospace Museum of California, recognized an opportunity last year when a military chief called her about renting space in the facility.

"It's a standard story that chiefs run the military. They know everything," she said. "If you want information, you go to a chief."

She tentatively asked if he would know anything about a man buried overseas.

Within 24 hours, she was contacted with the name of the cemetery where her father was buried: The Corozal American Cemetery and Memorial.

"I called my sister, we arranged for a trip to Panama," she said, adding that her sister, Esther Lee Norvell, lives in Nantucket, Mass. "We located the cemetery and it was actually quite beautiful. Very well cared for." But it wasn't home.

She wrote to the American Battle Monuments Commission in Arlington, Va., which manages American cemeteries on foreign soil.

She received a letter late this year granting permission to disinter her father's remains and return them to the U.S.

At the bottom of the letter, a commissioner had scrawled two words: "God speed!"

Harkleroad's urn was delivered in December to Forest Cemetery in Coeur d'Alene, where he was scheduled to be laid to rest on Thursday, Dec. 31.

Cummins and her sister will be the only two there, Cummins said. They will gather the rest of the family for a formal service next year.

"We want to welcome him home properly," she said.



Cummins

Desperate Somalis seek 'back-door' route to U.S. after refugee program canceled

By Amy Taxin
 Associated Press writer

LANCASTER, Calif. — The asylum seeker from Somalia hung his head as an immigration judge grilled him about his treacherous journey from the Horn of Africa. By air, sea and land he finally made it to Mexico, and then a taxi delivered him into the arms of U.S. border agents at San Diego.

Islamic militants had killed his brother, Mohamed Ahmed Kheire testified, and majority clan members had beaten his sister. He had to flee Mogadishu to live.

The voice of the judge, beamed by videoconference from Seattle, cracked loudly over a speaker in the mostly empty courtroom near the detention yard in the desert north of Los Angeles. He wanted to know why Kheire had no family testimony to corroborate his asylum claim.

Kheire, 31, said he didn't have e-mail in detention, and didn't think to ask while writing to family on his perilous trek.

It seemed like the end of Kheire's dream as he waited for the judge's ruling. He clasped his hands, his plastic jail bracelet dangling from his wrist, and looked up at the ceiling, murmuring words of prayer.

Kheire is one of hundreds of desperate Somalis in the last two years to have staked everything on a wild asylum gamble by following immigration routes to the United States traditionally traveled by Latinos.

With the suspension of a U.S. refugee program and stepped-up security in the Gulf of Aden and along Mediterranean smuggling routes, more overseas migrants from Somalia are pursuing asylum through what one expert calls the "back door."

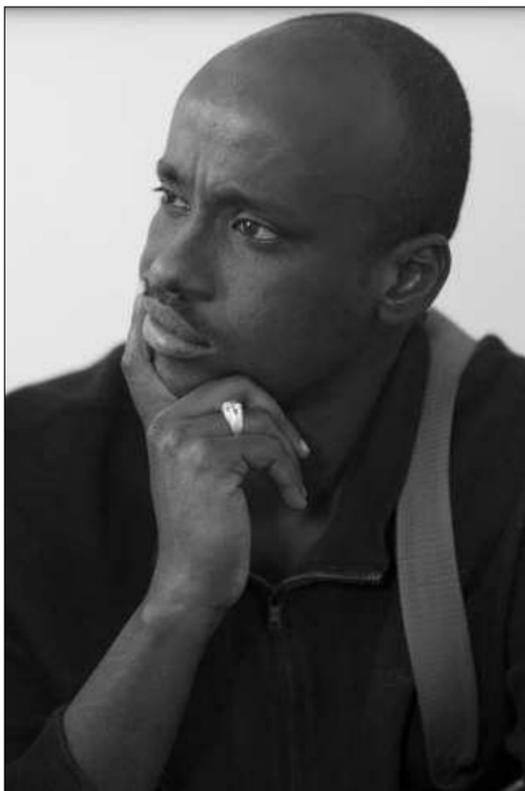
"The U.S. has closed most of the doors for Somalis to come in through the refugee program so they've found alternative ways to get in," said Mark Hetfield, senior vice president for policy and programs at the Hebrew Immigrant Aid Society. "This is their new route."

About 1,500 people from around the world showed up in U.S. airports and on the borders seeking asylum during the 2009 fiscal year, according to statistics from U.S. Customs and Border Protection.

Somalis were the biggest group to make the journey, with most arriving in San Diego. More than 240 Somalis arrived during that period — more than twice the number from the year before.

Like Kheire, they have been shuttled to immigration detention centers in California while legal advocates have scurried to find lawyers and translators to help them navigate the country's immigration courts.

Once they left, Kheire decided to leave. His wife and then-nearly 4-year old son went to stay with family. He sold his taxi and used the money to go to Kenya, where a smuggler arranged for him to travel to Dubai, then to



AP photo

Somali asylum seeker Mohamed Kheire waits to consult with Esperanza Immigrant Rights Project detention attorney James Lyall, Nov. 16, 2009, at the Los Angeles Catholic Charities.

Many end up defending themselves. Those who lose may remain temporarily. Somalis may be deported, but immigrant advocates say authorities often do not send them back immediately because of difficulties making the trip.

For many, it has become increasingly dangerous to stay in Somalia. The African nation has not had a functional government since 1991 when warlords overthrew longtime dictator Mohamed Siad Barre and then turned on each other, plunging the country into chaos.

Somali refugees say they are fleeing repression by armed militias defending majority clans and the Islamic militant group al-Shabab, which has been labeled a terrorist organization by the United States.

"There are stories about houses being blown up by rocket launchers that you don't hear coming out of other countries as a normal occurrence," said James Duff Lyall, an attorney for the Esperanza Immigrant Rights Project, who has represented several Somali asylum seekers in Lancaster. "The consistently horrific stories are striking."

In 2007, Kheire's brother was shot in the head in his music store in Mogadishu after refusing to bow to al-Shabab's demands that he shutter the shop. A year later, Kheire's sister was beaten with a stick and left bleeding outside a school.

That night Kheire, whose family belongs to a minority clan, was visited by three men who rammied his chest with a rifle butt and debated whether to kill him.

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would carry the paper on a plane to Tijuana and in the taxi to the U.S. border.

Immigration experts say such circuitous paths are routes of last resort.

"I always call it the back door," said Bob Montgomery, director of the San Diego office for the International Rescue Committee.

"When the refugee program is not robust, we see more people trying to come through the asylum system," he said.

Most Somalis have reached the United States — there are some 87,000 here — through U.S.-sponsored refugee resettlement programs. But the State Department in 2008 suspended a family reunification program for refugees over fraud concerns. The number of Somalis admitted by refugee programs dwindled to about 4,000 last year.

On Jan. 4, the government plans to start releasing many asylum seekers while they wait for their immigration cases to be heard. It is unclear how many Somalis will be let out as they must prove their identity and many don't have documents. And still others say they have nowhere to go even if they were freed, their attorneys said.

Compared with asylum seekers from other countries, Somalis have been more likely to win their cases, according to immigration court statistics.

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Top snowboarder suffers 'traumatic brain injury' in Utah

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — American snowboarder Kevin Pearce was in critical condition Saturday at a Utah hospital after suffering a "severe, traumatic brain injury" in a training accident, one of his doctors said.

Pearce is in the University of Utah Hospital's intensive care unit in Salt Lake City.



Pearce

Dr. Holly Ledyard said Pearce is in stable condition and has not yet needed to undergo surgery. "Kevin sustained a severe, traumatic brain injury ... (and) is being kept sedated," Ledyard said in a statement released by the snowboarder's publicist. "The focus over the next week will be watching for any swelling in his brain and keeping his brain pressure normal."

Pearce was preparing for



Kevin Pearce competes Nov. 5 in the finals of the men's Snowboard Half-Pipe FIS World Cup 2009 event on the Allalin glacier in Saas-Fee, Switzerland. A publicist for Pearce says the U.S. snowboarder remains in critical condition at a Utah hospital after sustaining a head injury while training in Park City, Utah, on Thursday.

AP file photo

Norwich, Vt., is a top-ranked halfpipe rider. Along with Shaun White, he is considered to be one of America's top athletes in a sport dominated by the United States.

Olympic halfpipes are essentially hollowed out ice shells, the sides of which rise up to 22 feet in the air. Riders gain speed as they go from one side to another and fly several feet over the edges, where they flip and spin, often rotating 720 or 1080 degrees on a single jump.

Pearce was in the process of completing a twisting double back flip when he caught his toe-side edge while landing, Burch said. He was wearing a helmet.

Three weeks ago, Pearce fell during a preliminary run at an Olympic qualifying event in Copper Mountain, Colo., and suffered a concussion.

next week's Olympic qualifying events at Mammoth Mountain, Calif., when he hit his head during a training run Thursday in Park City.

"Kevin has a long recovery

ahead of him," Ledyard said.

According to an update Saturday afternoon on a Facebook page set up by his family, Pearce was "doing well, he continues to main-

tain his stable condition. Being young, healthy and strong is working in his favor."

"Family and friends remain positive and are thankful for the outpouring

of support," said Pearce's spokeswoman Danielle Burch.

The 22-year-old from

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Fewer people fly out of Joslin Field as travelers cut spending

Surrounding airports show similar declines

By Joshua Palmer
Times-News writer

The number of people flying in and out of Joslin Field,

Magic Valley Regional Airport continued to decline in 2009 compared to the previous year.

The number of people flying out of the airport, declined 10 percent compared to 2008, or about 4,600 fewer passengers, according to reports provided by the airport manager. The number of people flying

out of the airport is typically the same as the number of people flying into the airport.

The figures provided to the *Times-News* do not include December passenger counts, which won't be released until later this month. Joslin Field typically sees about 100 passengers in December as holiday travel hits its peak.

Bill Carberry, the airport's manager, said the decline reflects an industry-wide slowdown that is attributed to the recession's impact on people's pocketbooks.

"The whole industry is suffering because people just aren't able to fly as much," he said.

The Boise airport reported a 13 percent decline in pas-

senger boarding and Salt Lake City International Airport recorded a nearly 3 percent drop.

Total passenger counts at Joslin Field for 2009 — not including December — were 23,409, while airport officials reported 28,083 in 2008.

"The good news is that after we reduced our daily

flights from five to four, we were able to keep those flights full," Carberry said. "We're certainly hoping that the economy improves, but I think our load factor shows that we're still doing pretty good."

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FOURTH MALTER EYEING THE MAGIC VALLEY

Maker of Corona looking into grower contracts and possible grain elevator

By Joshua Palmer
Times-News writer

A fourth major brewer has set its sights on south-central Idaho's booming barley crops, say industry officials and state lawmakers who are familiar with the matter.

Grupo Modelo S.B.A., brewer of Corona, Modelo and Pacifico beer, is expected to set up operations into western Twin Falls County later this year. The addition of Modelo would mean that the nation's four largest brewer would rely on Magic Valley barley growers for the key ingredient in their beer.

Despite the national recession, revenue generated by the malt barley industry in Idaho grew 62 percent in 2008 compared to the previous year — making it the state's fastest growing agricultural industry.

Alfredo Avila, finance executive for Modelo in Idaho Falls, said the company visited areas near Twin Falls and Buhl. He said the company is interested in signing barley contracts with regional growers and setting up a grain elevator "in the near future."

"It's still too early to say what we will do, but the (Magic) Valley is a very good area for malt barley and something we have been looking at for a while," Avila said. "What we are looking for is quality and consistency, and we think that area can provide it."

Modelo had been eyeing Magic Valley barley after building a malting facility in Idaho Falls in 2003. But it wasn't until a group of lawmakers and barley growers organized an informal meeting, that the company began pursuing its interest in the valley.

State Reps. Steve Hartgen, R-Twin Falls, and Jim Patrick, R-Twin Falls, initiated discussions with Avila and other Modelo executives in September. But they quickly brought in Ron Elkin, a regional barley grower and chairman of the Idaho Barley Commission, as well as the Southern Idaho Economic Development Organization for help because of the complexity of the discussion.

The key to connecting the Mexico-based brewery with region-



AP photo

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al farmers hinged on the success of a barley variety known as Charles — a strain of barley that can grow through the winter and be harvest in early spring.

The variety is ideal for south-central Idaho, where winters are shorter and less severe than in other regions of the state where the young sprouts can be killed by prolonged freezing. The breakthrough, which was discovered almost two years ago in a University of Idaho lab in Aberdeen, allows malters to supply breweries with barley all year long.

"That what modelo was looking at, so that's what we really promoted," said Hartgen.

In late November, Modelo executives met with regional barley growers, lawmakers and economic development officials at the Clear lake Country Club near Buhl. Don Deitrich, director of Idaho Department of Commerce and Celia Gould, director of Idaho State Department of Agriculture also joined in the meeting.

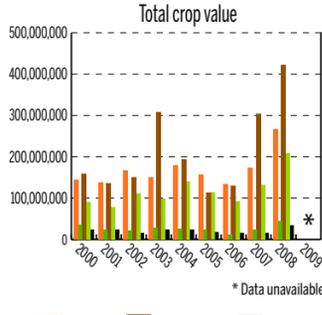
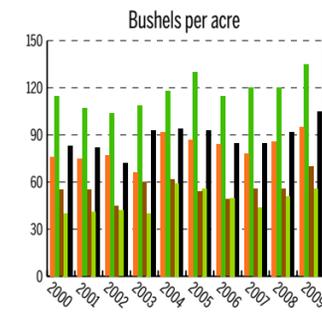
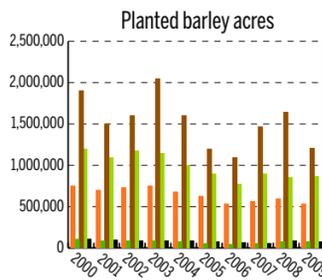
The discussion was about logistics — the beer that was served was obviously Corona.

"Freight is our biggest concern," Avila said.

Before making it into a bottle, the barley had to be harvested and shipped to Idaho Falls more than two and half hours away. From there, the barley would be malted and then shipped by rail to a brewery in Sonora — or one of six other breweries in Mexico.

Economic development officials hope to place Modelo in one of two or three wheat grain elevators in western Twin Falls County.

Modelo controls about 64 percent of the beer market in Mexico, according to Hoovers, and industry



Source: National Agricultural Statistic Service
SANDY SALAS/Times-News

analyst firm. It also exports about a third of its product to the United

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THE PAST & FUTURE

A look at the decade that was and the decade to come

By Jeannine Aversa
Associated Press writer

BANKING

THE PAST DECADE: The nation's big banks swaggered into the decade as owners of the world. They leave it humbled and, in some cases, wards of the state.

After receiving billions in federal bailout money last year, the banking industry has partly recovered from the worst economic downturn since the Great Depression. Some banks, including Goldman Sachs Group, Morgan Stanley and JPMorgan Chase & Co., have repaid their bailout funds and are making big money again trading stocks, bonds and other risky securities.

Other large institutions remain hobbled. American International Group Inc. gave the government an 80 percent ownership stake in return for a \$182.5 billion taxpayer rescue aimed at keeping the giant insurer from collapsing during the height of the crisis.

It's a stark contrast from how the banking industry began the decade. In 1999, the Depression-era law that separated commercial and investment banks was repealed, ushering in a period of unprecedented banking profits and record-high executive bonuses.

THE NEXT DECADE: The question now is whether banks will return to their high-flying ways after they fully regain their health. The Obama administration wants sweeping financial reforms to curb excessive risk-taking. But the banking industry is fighting to scale back the overhaul out of fear that it will cut into profits.

A major flash point is the effort to regulate over-the-counter derivatives, the complex, often highly leveraged instruments that were blamed for accelerating last year's meltdown. The government wants legislation requiring derivative trades to go through a clearinghouse. Today, they're traded directly between buyers and sellers, an arrangement that earns billions each year for banks.

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Big business, big government and the big balancing act

If you step back and look at the big economic policy issues — health care, financial regulation, immigration, education reform, the budget deficit — they appear to boil down to one fundamental question: What is the best trade-off between fairness, stability and social cohesion on the one hand and disruptive, growth-inducing innovation on the other?

At its most simplistic level, this debate plays itself out as the choice between big government and small government, between regulation and deregulation, between European-style socialism and Anglo-American free-market capitalism. The one side takes its intellectual roots from Adam

Steven Pearlstein



Smith, Karl Marx, John Maynard Keynes and the recently departed Paul Samuelson, the other from Adam Smith, Friedrich von Hayek, Joseph Schumpeter and Milton Friedman.

Over the years, the center of political gravity has swung toward one camp or the other in response to economic crises brought on by overdoing things in one direction. The pendulum has now begun to swing back from Reagan Republicanism to some still-evolving form of Obama Democracy.

Jim Manzi provides a perceptive analysis of these trade-offs in the latest issue of *National Affairs*, a new conservative journal published here in Washington. Although best known as a corporate executive and high-tech investor, Manzi actually began his career in a newsroom, and he hasn't lost his knack for clear writing and critical thinking.

"We are between a rock and a hard place," he

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YOUR BUSINESS

CAREER MOVES

Leticia Coronado

Kristine Tygret-Gilgren Agency of Jerome welcomes Leticia Coronado, a licensed agency specialist, to her staff. Coronado was licensed as a resident producer for property and casualty insurance while working with the former Chris Mahler Agency of Twin Falls. Coronado can quote and write policies on auto, homeowners and renters, farm and ranch and commercial. Coronado has lived and worked in Twin Falls for the last 19 years. Born in Idaho and raised in Oregon, Coronado has a bachelor's degree in fine arts from the University of Oregon. Coronado welcomes her family and friends to give her a call at 324-8454 or stop in at the office located at 124 E. Yakima Ave. #D in Jerome, across the street from Wal-Mart in the Jerome Plaza.



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CONTRIBUTIONS

AMALGAMATED SUGAR



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Amalgamated Sugar Company employees, who are members of Bakery Confectionery Tobacco Workers and Grain Millers International, recently donated to Meals on Wheels. Wes Lindsay, financial secretary for the local 282g Union, presents a check for \$1,040 to Linda Reyea for the Meals on Wheels program.

ST. LUKE'S MVRMC



Courtesy photo

The laboratory staff at St. Luke's MVRMC recently held a silent auction with proceeds benefiting South Central Community Action Partnership (SCCAP). They collected clothing, food, personal care items and a decorated Christmas tree along with a cash donation of more than \$1,200 just in time for Christmas. For more information: Lisa Brown at 733-9351 ext. 3005. From left: Ken Robinette, executive director SCCAP; Maureen Crowell, lab team Leader; Lynn Beauregard, Kelly Dickard and Sheila Sligar, CLA. Not pictured: Brenda Roesbery and Ruth Simmons, CLA; LaRae Talantes, registrar.

Malter

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MILESTONES

ATC OPENING



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The Mini-Cassia Chamber Ambassadors hosted a ribbon cutting to commemorate the grand opening of ATC — Outside Plant at 935 S. Hwy 77, Albion. Pictured cutting the ribbon is Rich and Connie Redman, vice president.

SCCAP



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The Mini-Cassia Chamber Ambassadors hosted a ribbon cutting to commemorate the grand opening of South Central Community Action Partnership, a Burley Weatherization Office (SCCAP) at 314 E. Fifth St., Burley. SCCAP's grand opening is in conjunction with celebrating National Weatherization Day. It is the official opening of the new weatherization division at the recently remodeled SCCAP Burley facility. Pictured left to right: ribbon cutters Cassia County Commissioner Dennis Crane and Minidoka County Commissioner Lynn Hunsaker. Also pictured are SCCAP board members and staff and representatives from Idaho Power and Intermountain Gas companies. Business hours are 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, and close noon to 1 p.m. each day. Call them at 208-678-3514.

GIVING TREE STORE



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The Twin Falls Chamber Ambassadors hosted a ribbon cutting for the Giving Tree Store that opened at the Twin Falls Public Library on 201 Fourth Ave. E. The store includes permanent and ongoing used book sales and a selection of new items for unique gifts. The sales from the store will benefit the Twin Falls Public Library. The bookstore was established because of the generous donations of books from the public. A large, wooden bin for donations is located just inside the front door of the library. The public can recycle used books, CDs, DVDs and audio books. For more information: Diane Van Engelen at 208-736-6205.

BABELS CLEANERS



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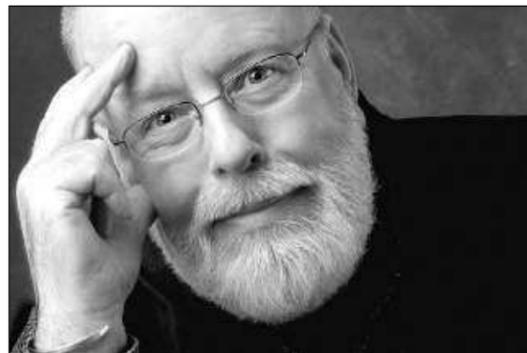
Twin Falls Chamber Ambassadors had a ribbon cutting in celebration of Babbels Cleaners new owner, Laura Davis. Babbels Cleaners is at 220 Shoshone St. E. in Twin Falls. It provides professional dry cleaning, laundry, sewing and alterations. Call them at 208-733-2258. Pictured: Jenny Berrett, Jessica Richard, Pennie Apolaya, Rose McBribe, Deb Kindred Front Row: Ann & Gary Babbel, Annette Barnum, Laura Davis, Owner, Sabina Tulek, Sandy Nicolay and Karen Brixen.

Kim Critchfield

A photograph created by Kim Critchfield of Critchfield Photography in Twin Falls has recently been accepted into the Loan Collection of Professional Photographers of America's 2009 International Print Competition.

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PAST & FUTURE

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THE PAST DECADE: The real estate boom and bust were the biggest since the Great Depression.

With interest rates at near-historic lows, home sales this decade skyrocketed, propelling homeownership rates and new construction to all-time highs. Lending standards sank through the floor. People bought homes with little or no down payment, and in many cases without proof of income or assets. Homeowners refinanced and raided their equity.

Home prices soared 88 percent between the first quarter of 2000 and the peak in the first quarter of 2006.

Then, the crash. Homes languished unsold and millions of Americans went into foreclosure. Housing construction tumbled to the lowest level in 50 years. Home values plunged, eviscerating \$4 trillion in home equity. By mid-2009, home prices were down 30 percent — even further in parts of California, Nevada, Florida and other markets where prices soared highest.

THE NEXT DECADE: It could be another five or 10 years before homes in the hardest-hit markets regain the value they had at the height of the housing boom.

What else will shape the housing market in the next decade? One of the biggest questions is how the government will extricate itself from control of Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac. The two companies, which were on the brink of failure in the fall

of 2008 and seized by the government, own or guarantee about half of all home mortgages.

Another wild card is the Federal Housing Administration, which now insures one in four new loans. Rising foreclosures have eroded the agency's financial cushion below the safety line. Will it need a taxpayer bailout?

MANUFACTURING

THE PAST DECADE: U.S. manufacturing has taken the brunt of the decade's two recessions, losing more than 5.6 million factory jobs. But in between the downturns, manufacturers generated big profits in their remaining areas of strength — passenger jets, semiconductors, backhoes, cans of beer and pharmaceuticals.

THE DECADE AHEAD: A very long recovery lies ahead. Some manufacturers, like automakers, won't ever return to their former scale in the U.S. Others face stiffer competition from countries like China, which aims to challenge U.S. dominance in the construction of jumbo jets. Big economic issues like free trade agreements, currency prices and corporate taxes could affect whether manufacturing grows or not.

Manufacturers will put more computers to work, and fewer humans. And they'll squeeze more out of their remaining employees, who will need more than a high school degree to get work in manufacturing. As a result, it's likely manufacturing faces a continued evaporation of jobs.

AUTOS

THE PAST DECADE: A record 17.3 million vehicles were sold in the U.S. in 2000, and General Motors, Ford and Chrysler controlled 67 percent of that market. But as Detroit focused on profitable SUVs, Japanese automakers and new players such as Hyundai grabbed buyers with newer and better cars. Gas prices accelerated the SUV's decline, and by 2008, the Detroit Three's market share dropped to 48 percent and Toyota outsold GM worldwide. Faced with staggering debt and a credit crisis, GM and Chrysler went into bankruptcy in 2009.

THE DECADE AHEAD: China is passing the U.S. as the largest auto market. Automakers will also look to India, Russia and Brazil to expand sales. Chinese automakers are expected to start selling cars in the U.S.

The U.S. will require significant improvements in fuel economy, and automakers are racing to develop electric, hybrid, clean diesel and hydrogen-powered cars. Technology also will make cars safer.

The wrenching cost cuts of 2000s will help automakers turn profits and increase sales in the next decade,

according to Erich Merkle, president of the consulting firm autoeconomy.com. But he also predicts volatility in the market because of inflation and gas prices.

ENERGY

THE PAST DECADE: A barrel of oil cost \$20 as the decade began. It peaked at \$147 last year, as a new class of investors pumped money into futures contracts and producers struggled to keep up with energy appetites in the developing world. Americans paid more than \$4 for a gallon of gasoline in the summer of 2008. Then oil and gas prices tumbled as the global recession squelched demand.

Natural gas producers had unlocked massive new supplies by decade's end, building record U.S. reserves that could last for a century.

THE DECADE AHEAD: By 2019, many cars may get 50 miles per gallon or better. Improved gas mileage, rising prices for gasoline and more energy-efficient homes are seen keeping demand for oil and natural gas at moderate levels in the U.S.

Even so, nearly half of the nation's electricity still will come from coal even with more wind and solar energy sources.

Clinton foundation draws eclectic donor list

WASHINGTON (AP) — Former President Bill Clinton's charity drew an international roster of donors last year, ranging from Norway and Oman to foreign lotteries, businessmen and celebrities, a contributor list released under an ethics promise by Secretary of State Hillary Rodham Clinton showed.

A donor rundown disclosed on New Year's Day by the William J. Clinton Foundation shows that in all, Norway has given \$10 million to \$25 million to the charity since its founding roughly a decade ago. Oman donated \$1 million to \$5 million over the years. The list gave cumulative donation totals and didn't say how much each contributor gave last year.

The foundation provided The Associated Press with a donor list Friday morning under the heading "William J. Clinton Foundation Publishes Names of 2009 Contributors on Foundation Web site" but later said the disclosure, which included many more foreign governments, covered donors dating back to the charity's inception, and that it wouldn't say who gave in 2009. The foundation

changed course Friday afternoon and updated the list to specify 2009 donors.

The Clintons agreed to annually disclose the names of donors to the foundation to address concerns about potential conflicts of interest between the former president's fundraising abroad and his wife's role in helping direct Obama administration foreign policy.

Then-President-elect Obama made the disclosure a condition of his selection of Hillary Rodham Clinton for the post, and the two senior lawmakers on the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, John Kerry, D-Mass., and Richard Lugar, R-Ind., said when the first list was released in December 2008 that the disclosure "is designed to establish greater transparency and predictability with regard to the activities of the Clinton Foundation in the context of Sen. Clinton's service as secretary of state."

The William J. Clinton Foundation works in the United States and around the world on such issues as health care, particularly HIV/AIDS; climate change, and economic development.

Pearlstein

Continued from Business 1 writes. "If we reverse the market-based reforms that have allowed us to prosper, we will cede global economic share; but if we let inequality and its underlying causes grow unchecked, we will hollow out the middle class — threatening social cohesion, and eventually surrendering our international position anyway. This, and not some 'world-is-flat' happy talk, is what the challenge of globalization means for America."

Like many in the business community, Manzi is concerned that the pendulum is about to swing back too far, that the United States is on the verge of turning itself into France. In truth, those fears are as overblown as they are self-serving, and have less to do with reality than with the abiding disrespect the business community has for the political process.

But the debate, it seems to me, needs to go beyond simply determining where the pendulum should come to rest. For equally important is how effective the two sectors are in actually delivering all that social justice and growth-inducing innovation.

Americans understand that free markets are the best vehicle for generating innovative products and ever more efficient ways of producing them. But recent experience also reminds that innovation and the competitive dynamic are not always what they are cracked up to be.

When investors engage in herd behavior and deploy scarce capital merely to bid up the price of real estate or financial assets, that does nothing to improve economic output or efficiency.

The nation's stock of human capital is not increased when people compete for admission to elite universities and graduate programs by spending ever-increasing amounts of money on consultants and test-preparation courses, or when the schools themselves raise tuitions to finance a self-destructive race to lure the best students, the best athletes and the best teachers.

What good is competition if it drives corporate execu-

tives to knowingly engage in increasingly risky behavior simply to boost short-term profits and stock prices even at the expense of long-term value creation?

And what good is innovation that is used to snooker consumers, mislead investors or subvert sensible regulation?

The question is not simply whether innovation will be "stifled," as the business community likes to suggest, but whether those innovations serve a larger social purpose.

At the same time, just because markets have recently failed us does not excuse giving a free pass to those who argue for tougher regulation or bigger government.

History is replete with examples of well-intentioned regulation that turned out to be easily evaded or resulted in unintended and unwanted consequences. And too much of what passes for vital public expenditure turns out to be nothing more than special interest rent-seeking and economy-distorting subsidies.

Despite repeated efforts at reform, government accountability remains an oxymoron. Simply put, public employees are paid too much just for showing up and too little for outperforming their peers or our expectations.

And while it is now beyond dispute that labor markets today are generating incomes that are increasingly unequal, governments have found it remarkably difficult to come up with cost-effective programs that successfully offset those effects.

"An America that wants to keep its global edge cannot neglect the necessity of innovation and growth, any more than it can ignore the necessity of social cohesion and stability," Manzi writes at the conclusion of his essay. The political challenge for the next decade is not only to strike the proper balance between them but to perfect the public and private institutions that can deliver on those promises.

Steven Pearlstein writes about financial and economic issues for the Washington Post.



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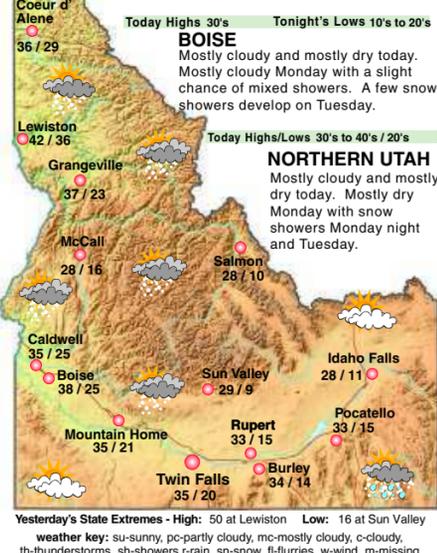
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IDAHO'S FORECAST

SUN VALLEY, SURROUNDING MTS. Spotty snow showers for today and tonight.

Monday will hold an increasing threat of snow. Snow is likely Monday night.



TWIN FALLS FIVE-DAY FORECAST

Five-day forecast table for Twin Falls with columns for Today, Tonight, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday. Includes weather icons and high/low temperatures.

Yesterday's Weather

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

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Table with 3 columns: Temperature, Precipitation, Humidity, Barometric Pressure, and Sunrise and Sunset. Includes data for Yesterday's High/Low, Normal High/Low, Record High/Low, and today's sunrise/sunset times.

Moon Phases and Moonset



Today's U. V. Index



REGIONAL FORECAST

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

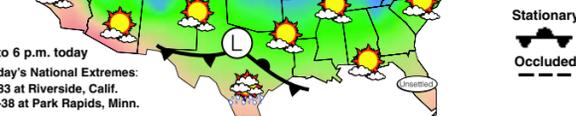
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National forecast table for various US cities including Atlanta, Atlanta City, Baltimore, Birmingham, Boston, Charlotte, Charleston, Chicago, Cleveland, Denver, Des Moines, Detroit, El Paso, Fairbanks, Fargo, Honolulu, Houston, Indianapolis, Jacksonville,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

WORLD FORECAST

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

TODAY'S NATIONAL MAP



Advertisement for Gregg Middlekauff's Quote of the Day. Includes a photo of Gregg Middlekauff and the quote: 'The person interested in success has to learn to view failure as a healthy, inevitable part of the process of getting to the top.'

CANADIAN FORECAST

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

Graceland Too attracts offbeat tourism in Mississippi

By Emily Wagster Pettus Associated Press writer

HOLLY SPRINGS, Miss. — Paul MacLeod is a perpetually caffeinated Elvis fanatic who's taking care of business 24-7-365 at the antebellum home he calls "Graceland Too."

Pound on the door at any hour — seriously, it's OK to arrive at 4 in the morning — and the 67-year-old former auto worker will escort you through his discombobulating, floor-to-ceiling collection of photos, records, figurines, cardboard cutouts, candy wrappers, clocks and other random kitsch featuring the King of Rock 'n' Roll.

"I'd give my life right now if I could bring this guy back," MacLeod says in his auctioneer's staccato, his gray hair slicked back in a '50s style.

MacLeod says he rarely leaves Graceland Too, sleeps only sporadically and is fueled by 24 cans of Coca-Cola a day — a claim at least partially verified by the aluminum pull-top tabs he collects in sandwich bags and the stacks of flattened red cardboard boxes on the back porch.

Graceland Too is in Holly Springs, a northern Mississippi town of 8,000. It's a convenient stop for fans on an Elvis pilgrimage, sitting about halfway between Elvis Presley's birthplace in Tupelo, Miss., and the King's final home and resting place, the unaffiliated Graceland mansion in Memphis, Tenn.

Until Graceland Too became a magnet for offbeat tourism, Holly Springs was best known for its traditional — and tastefully kept — white-columned antebellum homes.

"He's our number one attraction," says Suzann Williams, assistant director of the local tourism bureau. She says that people call daily wanting information about Graceland Too, and that the Japanese and the British are the largest groups of overseas visitors.

Floors creak beneath visitors' feet as they walk

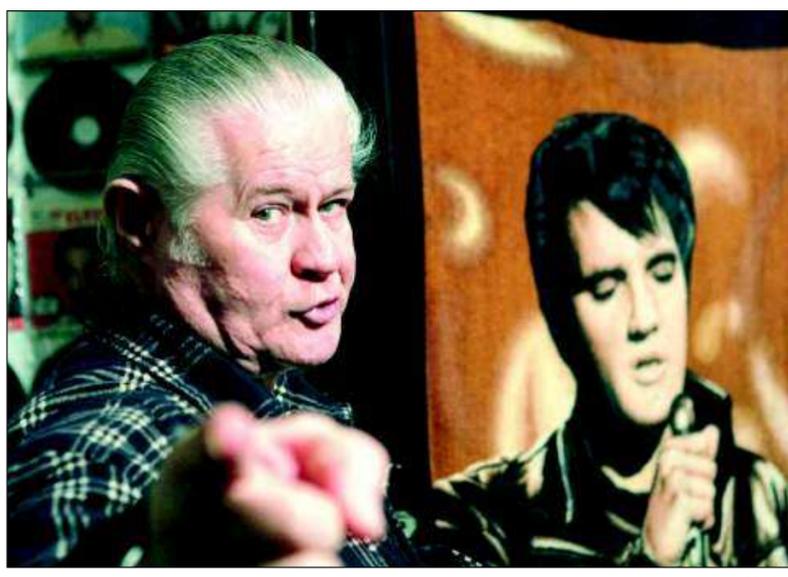
through the 157-year-old home warmed by space heaters that sit perilously close to raggedy shag carpet and stacks of papers and magazines.

For \$5, visitors get to experience sensory overload, harshly lit by unshaded bulbs. Doorways are decorated with several Elvis-patterned curtains in '70s-era hues of turquoise and lime.

A poster-sized display in the entryway declares — sans punctuation — "The Universes Galaxys Planets Worlds Ultimate Elvis Fans." "My ex-wife told me, 'Make up your mind. Either me or the Elvis collection.' So that put an end to that," MacLeod says with a chuckle.

MacLeod says he has owned his home since the mid-1970s, and that he's had 368,000 visitors since he started opening it to strangers since the late 1980s or early 1990s.

Heaven help the fact-checker who'd have to verify the statistics he tosses out during his tours, which typically last an hour and a half.



Paul MacLeod, a perpetually caffeinated Elvis fanatic, is taking care of business 24-7-365 at the antebellum home he calls 'Graceland Too' in Holly Springs, Miss.

Fans say the random, non-stop flow of information is part of the campy appeal.

Garreth Blackwell, a 27-year-old journalism teacher at the nearby University of Mississippi, said he has been to Graceland Too a half-dozen times and recently took his wife and three friends for a nighttime tour.

"It's kind of hard to talk about this guy, because you come enough you hear the same things over and over

again," Blackwell says. "It kind of puts that in your mind, 'Well, maybe this is all true.' You don't ever know. But it doesn't matter because it's a good time."

MacLeod says that he became an Elvis fan when he was 13, and that he attended 120 Elvis concerts.

In Graceland Too, MacLeod claims to have 35,000 records and 25,000 CDs. He says he has 185,000 square inches of carpet that

once was in Graceland. He constantly monitors radio and TV broadcasts and records any mention of his idol, claiming to have 31,000 videotapes and 43,000 audio recordings.

Then there's the scrapbook filled with teensy slivers of paper — 1 million mentions, he says, of the name Elvis Presley.

"There's my burial suit up here to come back and haunt my ex-wife," MacLeod says,

pointing to a gold number in one of the front rooms.

Robert Lopez of Los Angeles, who has performed 21 years as El Vez, the Mexican Elvis, says he has toured Graceland Too at least a dozen times and is attracted to its folk-art oddness. He once donated one of his stage outfits to MacLeod's collection — a maroon crushed-velvet jumpsuit with a cape featuring a sequined Virgin of Guadalupe.

He says Elvis MacLeod is a walking encyclopedia about Elvis Presley who helped his father give tours for several years, but was a calmer presence: "The son would translate in a slower monotone: 'What my father said was ...,'" Lopez recalls.

The younger MacLeod moved to New York in the 1990s, and a phone listing for him could not be found.

Lopez also cautions that Graceland Too "might be a slight warning about what too much love can do."

The ceiling of the TV room is covered with baseball card-size Elvis pictures and visitor comments printed on fluorescent pink, blue and yellow paper. Wrote one man from Pensacola, Fla.: "This Elvis shrine is as close to Heaven as an Elvis fan can get. This is the ULTIMATE."

Large advertisement for Tech Force. Features the headline 'HAVE NO FEAR! POST-HOLIDAY HELP IS HERE!' and 'Save \$10 On your next Tech Force service.' Includes the Tech Force logo and contact information for Burley, Rupert, and Twin Falls.

EDITORIAL

Sun Valley needs a second power line — without delay

They told you so. The 27 hours that Ketchum and Sun Valley spent in the cold during the Christmas Eve and Christmas Day blackout ought to be a wakeup call. It's a call that Idaho Power has been trying to make for a decade.

The northern end of the Wood River Valley must have a second transmission line — and soon.

The utility has been telling residents that for 10 years, but getting a large-scale public works project done in Blaine County is never easy.

Everybody has an opinion. But after the Christmas blackout, it seems to us, those opinions ought to be unanimous.

We don't know the economic toll, but it was certainly steep. Christmas is a big day for Sun Valley and Ketchum, and tourists who are spending hundreds of dollars a night don't appreciate huddling in the cold and the dark.

Some of them won't be back.

But whether tourists or locals, late December is a lousy time for the lights to go out in a mile-high alpine valley in Idaho.

Temperatures Christmas morning dipped into single-digits — conditions that the hardest resident or visitor can't endure for long.

"If something were to happen to that (power) line right now, the north valley would be in the same predicament (as on Christmas)," said Idaho Power spokeswoman Lynette Berriochoa.

A Wood River advisory committee assembled by the utility recognizes the need for a second line, Berriochoa said.

Three years ago, Idaho Power and the committee hammered out a comprehensive proposal that includes a plan for a 12-mile, 138-kilovolt electricity line connecting a substation north of Hailey to one in Ketchum on Sun Valley Road. A project team is preparing preliminary line designs and route options.

The tentative schedule calls for acquisition of line easements this year and in 2011. The line is supposed to be in service by 2013.

But a lot can happen until then, including legal challenges and opposition from neighbors and environmental groups.

Meanwhile, it's just a matter of time before Ketchum and Sun Valley go dark again.

It's time for elected officials to forge a community consensus to get this project done on time. Jobs and the economy are certainly at stake, and maybe much more.

Our view:

Large-scale utility projects are never easy in the environmentally- and property-conscious Wood River Valley.

What do you think?

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

“You will have a tough time finding anyone who will say anything bad about Pete.”

— FORMER GOV. JOHN EVANS

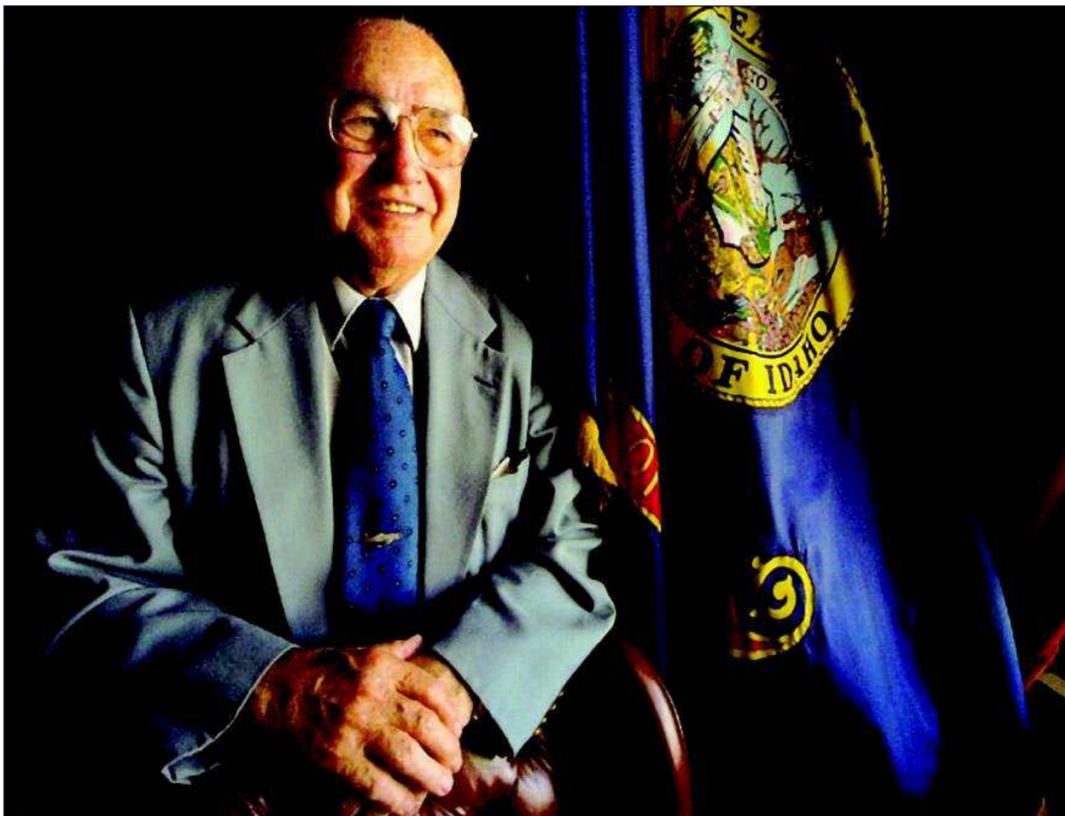


Photo courtesy Boise State University

Pete Cenarrusa was Idaho's longest-serving state elected official.

HONEST TO PETE

Carey politician Cenarrusa looks back on 52 years in state government

By Steve Crump
Times-News writer

In a state with more than its share of bulletproof Republican politicians, Pete Cenarrusa stands apart.

Elected eight times as secretary of state, he served continuously in state government from 1951 to 2003, including eight terms in the Idaho House of Representatives and three of speaker.

And along the way Cenarrusa, now 92, set a standard for integrity in public office.

"'Respect' most accurately describes how most Idahoans feel about Cenarrusa," writes former Associated Press reporter Quane Kenyon in a new book about Cenarrusa, "Bizkaia to Boise: The Memoirs of Pete T. Cenarrusa." "That's true at least for those who have been around to know and remember who he is, who know

how quietly and ferociously he served Idaho and its people for more than 52 years..." The book, published by the Center for Basque Studies at the University of Nevada, Reno and released last month, is as much biography as memoir. It chronicles how a Shoshone kid who spoke only Basque until the first grade became a Blaine

County sheepman, agricultural educator and public school teacher (Carey and Glens Ferry schools), a World War II Navy pilot and eventually a politician almost everybody likes.

"He served Idaho very, very well," Kenyon quotes former Gov. Cecil Andrus as saying. Andrus, a Democrat, crossed swords with



Former Associated Press reporter Quane Kenyon wrote 'Bizkaia to Boise: The Memoirs of Pete T. Cenarrusa.'

Cenarrusa. "Nobody had any complaints about his time in office. He became a legend."

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THE GREATEST LEGISLATURE EVER? SEE WHAT THE 1965 IDAHO LEGISLATURE DID AND FIND OUT WHO KEY POLITICIANS WERE. >>> OPINION 2

Idaho at 2010 — our state's evolving politics since last decade

By Kevin Richert
Idaho Statesman (Boise)

As we roll into 2010, it's as good a time as any to look back at the past 10 years, and where Idaho goes from here.

The past 10 years' election results clearly favor Idaho Republicans — and in his encyclopedic way, regional political blogger Randy Stapilus does a great job of breaking down the numbers. My favorite stat: the Idaho GOP captured 25 of 27 contested races for U.S. Senate, Congress or statewide office. "This is too lopsided to explain away by an occasional weak candidate or campaign," Stapilus writes.



Editor's note: Westword is a weekly selection of commentary from Western newspapers and other media

Idaho, strongly Republican in 2000, may be even more so heading into 2010. The state's political debate is evolving, though, at least at its edges.

• I think Idahoans are much more aware of the state's dismal college attendance figures — and the

connection between an educated work force and a strong economy. And this hasn't just been talk. For the first time in four decades, voters approved a community college, the new and quickly growing College of Western Idaho.

• Idaho is engaged in a much more serious debate about early education, and the state's role in helping parents prepare children for kindergarten. The big change in the dynamic: Some of the state's most prominent business leaders are emerging as pre-K advocates — and fittingly so, since early education, like higher education, is a social and economic issue.

• Transportation has emerged as one of the biggest — and costliest — challenges facing the state. It is now widely understood, even by some of the state's most conservative legislators, that Idaho faces an ever-growing to-do list of highway maintenance projects.

• A growing body of evidence demonstrates that Idaho's sales tax, established in 1965, is even more out-moded in 2010 than it was a decade ago. I think the state's policy makers have a better understanding of the flaws in a sales tax that is unduly tough on Idaho's working poor, overly dependent on volatile retail

trends — and severely weakened by a some 70 exemptions that cover services and protect well-connected special interests.

Now, I don't know what will change on the policy end. It will take serious money to beef up Idaho's universities and scholarships. It will take a long overdue change of legislative heart to give cities and counties the ability to collect voter-approved taxes for transit projects. And it will take political grit — heretofore absent — to rescind obsolete sales tax breaks.

And I also recognize the obvious: a lot about our state's politics remains unchanged. Our state heads

into 2010 dealing with budget shortfalls and program cuts — and a much deeper economic downturn than the one that struck in 2001. Wolves remain controversial, except Idahoans are now arguing over state management and hunting seasons. The dam breaching issue continues to pit Idaho water users against salmon advocates.

But we aren't the same state that headed (with media-fueled trepidation) into Y2K. Our agenda and our challenges are gradually maturing.

Kevin Richert is the Opinion editor of the Idaho Statesman

LETTERS OF THANKS

Festival of Trees
a success

The Gooding Hospital Foundation wishes to thank the many volunteers that came together, shared their talents and worked tirelessly in the true spirit of Christmas to make the 2009 Festival of Trees such a successful event.

Festival chairmen Marsha Dains and Cindi Canine recently announced that proceeds from the holiday gala will be used to enhance hospital services in the new North Canyon Medical Center, which is scheduled to open in the spring.

We are grateful to all of the people who worked on the event, to those who attended and those that gave so generously.

SUSAN FAULKNER
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Pancake feed
well attended

The Twin Falls High School wrestling team would like to thank Pandora's and its staff for hosting our Pancake Breakfast on Dec. 5. We also want to thank the 207 diners that joined us for pancakes.

Thank you for all your support!

Go Bruins!

SHARON KEETER
Wrestlers, Mat Maids,
coaches
Twin Falls High School
Twin Falls

POWs and MIAs get
monument in M-C

Mini-Cassia is one of the most giving and blessed places to live. Mayor Paul Fries, Todd McGhie, Carlos Roundy, James Bower and Mike Brown assigned a committee to place a monument honoring prisoners of war and missing in action. Committee members were Larry Cottom, James Wardle, Todd McGhie and George Maas.

We added another flag-pole and a stamped cement pad with a 4-foot engraved granite bench at the Rupert Square. We could not have done this without sponsors:

Hansen Mortuary, George Thompson Concrete, Bob/Margaret Cameron, Idaho Sheet Metal, Snyder's Surplus, K&R Rental, Rupert Police, Barclay Mechanical, Minidoka Memorial Hospital, Organization of Rupert Businesses, Valley Wide Farm & Ranch, Kloefer Concrete, Rupert City employees, Rupert Fire Department, Adam Fowler, Rupert Elks, Alaska's Best, Leonard and Betty Martin, Rupert Floral, Mini-Cassia Veterans, Dot Foods, American Graffiti.

Thanks for your support. Stop by and pay tribute the men and women who have sacrificed for our freedom.

GEORGE MAAS
POW-MIA Committee
Rupert

Doctors thanked
for surgery

This is a special thank you to some really swell people. I just got out of St. Luke's Magic Valley Medical Center after some very serious surgery. A big thank you to Dr. Bruce McComas for doing a good job on the surgery.

While on the third floor, I was served by the best medical people imaginable. I was treated like royalty and looked after constantly. They gave big smiles as they passed my room. Whenever possible, they would speak and give a friendly greeting. They were not just putting on an act; they really cared about me and my recovery. Twenty-four hours per day, each working crew member was very friendly, courteous and really caring and tending to my every need and all the while making me feel very special. When I needed assistance, they were there immediately.

Thank you all so very much.

WILLIAM (WIMPY)
SPAIN
Twin Falls

Christmas Benefit
Dinner a success

The Mona Club of Kimberly High and Middle schools would like to thank the following businesses and individuals who donated toward the Christmas Benefit Dinner. The dinner, held before the boys basketball game on Dec. 18, collected money for Amanda Coates and those families in need.

The Mona Club is an organization of girls that educate others about issues surrounding girls globally and locally. Our motto is to be the change we want to see in the world.

Donations were greatly appreciated from Grant and Leah Cummins, Heather Hopkins, Luke Schroeder, Stephanie Sievers, Jamie Carlton, Melanie Kelly, Kim Goetz, Teresa Roach, Shelly Wright, Brizee Heating and the Idaho Dairy Council.

For more information, call 423-4170, ext. 3150.

JAN HALL
Twin Falls

Many made feast
a great event

The Kiwanis Club of Twin Falls is grateful for the wonderful turnout and participation in this year's Oktoberfest dinner.

Thanks to Soran's Catering for use of the Turf Club and support of Steve and Don and their crew.

Thanks to the corporate sponsors, First Federal Bank, Magic Valley Bank, Independent Meat/Falls Brand, Lytle Signs and Blip Printers; to other sponsors, Swenson's; Amalgamated Sugar; AmeriPride; Ataraxis Accounting; Banner Bank; ConAgra/Lamb Weston; Cooper Norman; Revis Turner; D.L. Evans Bank; Diamond Towing; Drs. Roberts and Hall; Hair and Nails Etc./Julie Durbin; Hendry and Sons; KTFT 38; Magic Valley Business Systems; Magic Valley Foot and Ankle/Craig Holman; Magic Valley Growers; Mark Plant; Marvin Chamberlain; Microchips Etc.; Milestone Builders; North College Dental/Ken Patterson; Platt Electric Supply; Premier Insurance; Reeder Flying Service; Reynolds Funeral Chapel; Riedesel Engineering; S&G Produce; Sav-Mor Drug; Snake River Pool and Spa; Stephen Lincoln; Stephen, Kvanvig, Stone & Trainer; Stukenholtz Labs; Sweet Insurance; Times-News; TitleFact Inc.; Trent Stimpson; Twin Falls Title & Escrow; United Dairymen of Idaho; Watkins Distributing; Westerra Real Estate; Westphal & Sons; White Mortuary; Wills Toyota.

Finally, to all the Key Club and Kiwanis Club members who worked to make this event the most successful we have ever had. Also, thank you to the Alpenspieler, our German band.

RAY PARRISH
MIKE MCBRIDE
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Co-chairmen
Kiwanis Club,
Oktoberfest
Twin Falls

Cenarrusa

Continued from Opinion 1

As speaker of the House, Cenarrusa was at the center of the most famous — and successful — session in Idaho history. The 38th Legislature established Idaho's first permanent sales tax, diversifying the state's tax code to spread the burden among sales, income and property taxes. That, by consensus, was the basis of Idaho's subsequent prosperity.

The Idaho Department of Water Resources and the Idaho Department of Parks and Recreation were created by that Legislature, which also mandated statewide equity in property tax assessments, created a merit system for state employees, and passed the legislation that made the College of Southern Idaho possible.

A conservative and a Republican partisan, Cenarrusa nonetheless made sure every serious idea to come before lawmakers got a fair hearing.

"One thing that was different in those days; Republicans and Democrats didn't hate each other," Kenyon quotes former lawmaker and Idaho Supreme Court Justice Robert Huntley, a Democrat. "And Cenarrusa was among the most cooperative, fair and cordial."

Cenarrusa established a tradition of cooperation that lasted into the 1980s in the Statehouse.

"You will have a tough time finding anyone who will say anything bad about Pete," said former Gov. John Evans, a Democrat who served with Cenarrusa in the Legislature in the late 1950s and early '60s and who spent 10 years in the governor's

IDAHO'S GREATEST LEGISLATURE?

Here's what the 38th Idaho Legislature, which met from Jan. 4 to March 18, 1965, accomplished:

- Established Idaho's first permanent sales tax, set at 3 percent. It became the solid third leg of a tax structure that provided the state significant financial stability for decades.
- Mandated equity in assessment of property taxes across the state.
- Created the Idaho Water Resources Board and the Department of Water Resources, as directed by the voters the previous fall, to supervise the increasingly complicated issues of rights and access to the state's most important natural resource.
- Created the Idaho Department of Parks and Recreation, and an oversight board, to manage parks and create new ones.
- Established state community colleges and the position of executive director for the State Board of Education to coordinate all higher education activities.
- Authorized community mental health centers.
- Created a merit system for state employees, including teachers, after the Public Employees Retirement System

of Idaho was set up for government workers in 1963 to enhance public service as a career.

- Established the Idaho Administrative Procedures Act for ensuring a public voice in bureaucratic regulation.
- Created urban renewal agencies to fight urban blight.
- Required licenses for dealers and salesmen of new and used cars.
- Authorized a study of the Uniform Commercial Code — the laws that govern commercial activity in the state — ahead of major revisions in 1967.

Among the members of the 38th Legislature were:

- Sen. Jim McClure, R-Payette. Later served as representative from Idaho's 1st Congressional District (1967-73) and U.S. senator (1973-91).
- Sen. Cecil Andrus, D-Oronofino. Later served as governor (1971-77 and 1987-95) and U.S. secretary of the interior (1977-1981).
- Rep. Phil Batt, R-Wilder. Later lieutenant governor (1979-83) and governor (1995-99)
- Sen. Don Samuelson, R-Sandpoint. Later governor (1967-71)
- Rep. Orval Hansen, R-Idaho

Falls. Later served as representative from Idaho's 2nd Congressional District (1969-75).

- Rep. Pete Cenarrusa, R-Carey. Later served as Idaho secretary of state from 1967-2003.
- Rep. Robert Huntley, D-Pocatello. Later justice of the Idaho Supreme Court (1982-89) and Democratic nominee for governor (1998).
- Rep. Charles McDevitt, R-Boise. Later justice of the Idaho Supreme Court (1989-97)
- Sen. Mary Brooks, R-Carey. Later director of the U.S. Mint (1969-77)
- Sen. Jack Murphy, R-Shoshone. Later lieutenant governor (1967-75)
- Rep. Bill Lanting, R-Hollister. Later speaker of the Idaho House (1969-75)
- Sen. Hal Ryan, R-Weiser. Later U.S. district judge for Idaho (1981-95)
- Sen. Perry Swisher, R-Pocatello. Later Idaho Public Utilities Commission member (1979-91)
- Sen. Bill Young, R-Caldwell. Future state Senate president (1967-68)
- Sen. Jim Ellsworth, R-Leadore. Future state Senate president (1969-77)

office while Cenarrusa was secretary of state. "His Basque upbringing made it so he really enjoyed people."

It also made him a partisan of the Basques living in Spain and France, and their often contentious relationship with the Spanish government. Cenarrusa even went toe-to-toe with the Spanish ambassador over the country's treatment of Basques during the diplo-

mat's visit to Boise in 2001. And Cenarrusa was instrumental in starting a Basque studies program at Boise State University.

"I admire him on a personal basis because he reminds me so much of my own dad," said former Nevada governor and U.S. senator Paul Laxalt, a fellow Basque and Republican. "An old country Basque who spoke the language and who

would work from daylight to dark, and never think anything of it.

"And a damn fine sheepherder, too."

"Bizkaia to Boise: The Memoirs of Pete T. Cenarrusa" sells for \$20 and is available online at <http://www.basquebooks.myshopify.com>.

Steve Crump is the Times-News Opinion editor.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

West's electrical needs
could be fixed with
nuclear power

I attended a meeting Dec. 14 at the Raft River High School about the transmission line project that huge towers may (more than likely) move through our valley. The company involved with this is Gateway West. Its presentation was less than friendly. However, several members in the audience were less than friendly back, but not as many as I hoped. Pretty much what was said by Gateway West was that regardless of this meeting, the transmission towers on their way to Las Vegas and Southern California, are going to pass through Wyoming and Idaho and probably our valley — "like it or not!"

It seems that Las Vegas implodes, frequently, gigantic gambling casinos just to build bigger ones on those same sites but never thinks about their electricity needs — and Vegas uses a lot of that!

As for California, its legislators have empowered for themselves an Environmental Protection Agency that rules its state like Hitler's Gestapo ruled Germany. Now that the Golden State doesn't have

sufficient power for its ever-increasing population that floods her borders from Central America (wind and solar just don't cut it), California needs an actual power plant — perhaps nuclear? You could say, "California is in a fix." California has got a lot of desert where a power plant should have been placed decades ago. The obvious solution, if you are not ready to kill off air conditioners

during the summer, is to fire up those nuclear power plants that are mothballed in Washington state and get your juice from that direction.

In Nevada, there is a concrete, lead-lined hole that costs taxpayers \$13.5 billion for storing spent nuclear

fuel — a facility that hasn't been used.

Finally, the power plant in Wyoming (coal-fired) exhausts carbon monoxide and nuclear plants exhausts steam — just what the EPA (federal) says it wants. Well?

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The big news about the news

This era is like no other in American journalism: People are consuming more news than ever, but they're also far more critical of its purveyors than they've ever been. We remain generally agreed that a free press is democracy's cornerstone, but there's less consensus than ever on what the news media ought to be — or, for that matter, what rapid technological, economic and demographic change will allow it to be.

That makes three sets of little-noticed numbers released last week of more than passing interest.

The first set has to do with the audiences of the three cable news networks. For the first time, CNN's prime-time broadcasts will finish the year in third place, behind Fox and MSNBC among the 25- to 54-year-old viewers advertisers regard as the desirable television audience. To some observers, that seems to suggest that the television news audience increasingly is split along ideological lines. Fox has made itself



Tim Rutten

king of the prime-time ratings hill by programming a slate of right-wing commentators, while MSNBC has set itself up as the progressive alternative. CNN's attempt to play it down the journalistic middle looks like a ratings loser.

So, is the lesson here that most Americans want their news refracted through the sort of forthrightly ideological lens Fox and MSNBC provide? No, and here's why. First of all, the universe of cable news viewers, while growing, remains relatively small. Fox's average prime-time audience increased an impressive 10 percent in 2009, but it still was just 699,000. MSNBC averaged 307,000 viewers and CNN 299,000. (A reasonably sized U.S. newspaper rolls up comparable numbers.) Moreover, over any given 24-hour period in 2009, the

average Fox audience was 320,000; CNN had 185,000 viewers and MSNBC 149,000.

What these numbers suggest is that the cable networks attract a relatively small national audience of what might be called "news junkies," who follow events throughout the day and are more likely to be strongly partisan than other Americans. By the time evening rolls around, they're hungry for analysis rather than recycled reportage, and like most Americans today, they prefer interpretation that reinforces their own opinions. The significance of this preference tends to be exaggerated because news junkies include most of the people who write about the media.

Overall, in fact, the cable networks' audience pretty much resembles that of more conventional print and broadcast news organizations in that it's relatively old — and getting older. The

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average Fox viewer is 64, while a typical CNN watcher is 62 and an MSNBC viewer 59. It's also interesting to note that CNN's determination to position itself as the most traditional of the three cable news operations is paying big dividends in the digital realm, where its Web site is far and away the most frequently visited.

That brings us to an even more interesting set of numbers released last week by Scarborough Research, a partnership of the Nielsen and Arbitron ratings services. Its most recent survey found that three out of every four American adults — roughly 171 million people — continue to read the print or online edition of a newspa-

per each week.

When the survey broke the numbers down into people who continue to read their paper's print edition, the findings were even more striking: In any given week, 84 percent of all American college graduates read a print newspaper, as do 82 percent of all adults with annual household incomes of at least \$100,000 and 79 percent of all adults employed in white-collar positions.

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greatly exaggerated."

But, unlike CNN, which is backing its bet on traditional, nonpartisan journalism by expanding its news-gathering operations, American newspapers have continued to slash staffs. According to the federal Bureau of Labor Statistics, the country's papers have eliminated another 40,000 jobs last year. According to the bureau, the total number of American newspaper jobs has declined over the last decade from 424,500 to 284,220.

The Scarborough survey's findings, and the success of CNN's digital news site, suggest a continuing hunger on the part of the best-educated and affluent Americans for what's traditionally been called "straight news." The question now is whether, once the recession recedes, U.S. papers will be in a position to satisfy it.

Tim Rutten is a columnist for the Los Angeles Times.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Don't focus just on negative

I feel compelled to respond to Mr. Vaughn Phelps' letter of Dec. 25.

Vaughn, you seem to have made up your mind this nation is spiritually bankrupt. You claim American teenagers are worthless Tweeting twitwits and the rest of us are selfish hypocrites.

I am so glad I read the entire paper on Christmas morning. Did you, Mr. Phelps? Because there were three stories all demonstrating that which is good, courageous, self-sacrificing and compassionate about ordinary Americans. Two Cassia County men left the comfort and warmth of their houses to go up the side of a snowy, freezing mountain to try to help a complete stranger, a plane crash victim.

A second article described the efforts of caring individuals who wanted to help heal the wounds of a vandalized community church. Then the story of a group of teenagers who learned a big lesson — it truly is better to give than to receive. Despite your condemnation of public schools and the lack of Bibles in the classrooms,

Mr. Phelps, where there's a will, there certainly does seem to be a way at Jerome High School.

Sure, we have disturbed individuals and bad things happening. People make mistakes and poor choices. But have a little faith, Mr. Phelps. We still have innumerable people helping whenever they can in acts of kindness and compassion throughout the year. My list would be endless — volunteer firemen and ambulance personnel, people who rescue animals, people who donate blood, teachers who use their own money to make sure a student doesn't go without lunch, neighbors helping neighbors, foster parents, all the men and women who serve in our armed forces to protect our liberties like a free press and free speech. Like I said, an endless list and thank heaven it exists!

You're right, Mr. Phelps, people have made mistakes. But the biggest mistake would be yours — seeing only the negative and ignoring all which is good about Americans and our culture of helping. Best wishes for a happier new year, Magic Valley!

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NATION & WORLD

Official: Extremists seek new ways to attack U.S.

WASHINGTON (AP) — A top counterterrorism official is warning that al-Qaida and other extremists are working to test U.S. defenses and launch an attack on American soil.

National Counterterrorism Center Director Michael Leiter says the failed Christmas Day attempt to bring down a U.S. airliner is the starkest reminder of that threat.

Leiter said in a statement Saturday that officials “know with absolute certainty” that al-Qaida and others are trying to refine their methods.

The center is part of the Office of the Director of National

Intelligence. It draws experts from the CIA, FBI, Pentagon and other agencies who try to ensure that clues about potential attacks are not missed.

Terrorism expert Harvey Kushner of Long Island University said a significant concern is that many U.S. airports don't currently have the necessary technology to protect flights from the type of explosives attack attempted on Christmas.

The suspect, Umar Farouk Abdulmutallab, apparently assembled an explosive device, including 80 grams of Pentrite, or PETN, in the aircraft toilet of a

Detroit-bound Northwest flight, then planned to detonate it with a syringe of chemicals. Passengers intervened, and the plan failed.

“What’s disturbing about this is we’re almost nine years after 9/11 and billions of dollars have been spent and we don’t have in place a system which can make us safe in the air,” Kushner, chair of the school’s Criminal Justice Department told The Associated Press. “You’ll never be able to harden the targets to rule out terrorist activity. But we need to spend more money and have more

concentration on the dangers in the skies.”

In Honolulu, President Obama is reviewing reports from homeland security officials as his administration tries to determine what U.S. policy and personnel failures preceded the attempted jetliner bombing.

Intelligence officials, meanwhile, prepared for what was shaping up to be uncomfortable hearings before Congress about miscommunication among anti-terror agencies and sweeping changes expected under Obama’s watch.

Democrats joined a chorus led by Obama in declaring the gov-

ernment’s intelligence procedures in need of repair. Among them, Rep. Jane Harman, D-Calif., said that when the government gets tipped to trouble as it did before a 23-year-old Nigerian man boarded the Northwest Airlines jet with explosives, “someone’s hair should be on fire.”

One senior administration official told reporters traveling with the vacationing president: “The failure to share that information is not going to be tolerated.”

The official, like others involved in the reviews, spoke on the condition of anonymity to discuss sensitive intelligence dis-



Obama

Pastor takes in \$2.4M in donations after plea

LAKE FOREST, Calif. (AP) — Evangelical pastor Rick Warren’s plea for donations to fill a \$900,000 deficit at his Southern California megachurch brought in \$2.4 million, Warren announced to cheers during a sermon at the church on Saturday.

Warren said the amount raised after the appeal was posted online Wednesday included only money parishioners brought in person to Saddleback Church by New Year’s Eve. More was arriving by hand and by mail, he said.

“This is pretty amazing,” Warren told his congregation. “I don’t think any church has gotten a cash offering like that off a letter.”

The pastor said he planned to talk further about the response in a Sunday sermon called “The Miracle.”

“We’re starting the new decade with a surplus,” he said. “It came from thousands of ordinary people. This was not one big fat cat.”

The posting on Warren’s Web site read: “With 10 percent of our church family out of work due to the recession, our expenses in caring for our community in 2009 rose dramatically while our income stagnated.”

Warren said the church had largely managed to stay within its budget during the year, but “the bottom dropped out” when Christmas donations were down.

The letter cited the church’s accomplishments in 2009 and detailed how the donations would be used, including the church’s food pantry, homeless ministry, counseling and support groups.



Warren

MUSLIMS IN THE MOSH PIT



Members of the Muslim Hindu punk band The Kominas take a break during rehearsal Dec. 15 in Wayland, Mass. From left: guitarist Arjun Ray, drummer Imran Malik and guitarist Shahjehan Khan.

Rock bands are part of new movement in U.S.

By Russell Contreras
Associated Press writer

WAYLAND, Mass. — Artwork from the Punjab state of India decorates the Ray family home. A Johann Sebastian Bach statue sits on a piano. But in the basement — cluttered with wires, old concert fliers and drawings — 25-year-old Arjun Ray is fighting distortion from his electric guitar.

For this son of Indian immigrants, trained in classical violin and raised on traditional Punjab music, getting his three Pakistani-American bandmates in sync is the goal on this cold New England evening. Their band, The Kominas, is trying to record a punk rock version of the classic Bollywood song, “Choli Ke Peeche” (Behind the Blouse). “Yeah,” said Shahjehan Khan, 26, one of the band’s guitarists, “there are a lot of contradictions going on here.”

Deep in the woods of this colonial town boils a kind of revolutionary movement. From the basement of this middle-class home tucked in the woods west of Boston, The Kominas have helped launched a small, but growing, South Asian and Middle Eastern punk rock movement that is attracting children of Muslim and Hindu immigrants and drawing scorn from some traditional Muslims who say their political, hard-edged music is “haraam,” or forbidden.

The movement, an anti-establishment subculture borne of religiously conservative communities, is the subject of two new films and a hot topic on social-networking sites.

The artists say they are just trying to reconcile issues such as life in America, women’s rights and homosexuality with Islam and old East vs. West cultural clashes.

“This is one way to deal with my identity as an Arab-American,” said Marwan Kamel, the 24-year-old lead guitarist in Chicago-based Al-Thawra. “With this music, I can express this confusion.”

The movement’s birth is often credited to the novel “The Taqwacore,” by Michael Muhammad Knight, a Rochester, N.Y.-raised writer who converted to Islam.

Knight coined the book’s title from the Arabic word “Taqwa,” which means piety or God-fearing, and the word hardcore. The 2003 book portrayed an imagined world of living-on-the-edge Muslim punk rockers and influenced real-life South Asians to form their own bands. South Asian and Middle Eastern punk bands soon were popping up across America and communicating with each other via MySpace.

At the time of book’s release, Basim Usmani and Khan already were experimenting with punk and building the foundation for The Kominas, which

loosely means “scoundrels” in various South Asian languages. When Usmani, now 26, came across the book, he was writing songs and sporting a mohawk — just like the punk rocker on the novel’s cover.

Usmani contacted Knight, who agreed to buy a bus on eBay for \$2,000 to help launch the nation’s first “Muslim punk rock tour” in 2007. Kamel, the son of a Syrian father and Polish mother, bought a one-way ticket to Boston to join the tour, and Canadian drag-queen singer Sena Hussain met up with them along the way.

The musicians performed at various venues but were notably kicked off stage during an open mic performance at the Islamic Society of North America convention in Chicago. Traditional Muslims at the convention decried the electric guitar-based music as un-Islamic while others were upset a woman dared sing on stage. The episode was documented by Pakistani-Canadian filmmaker Omar Majeed in his new documentary “Taqwacore: The Birth of Punk Islam.”

“These guys are not prophetizing or preaching anything specific about Islam,” said Majeed, whose film is set for release in the United States in 2010. “They just happen to be young and Muslim, and they write songs and do art that expresses that idea.”

Cable TV standoffs threaten viewing choices

By Dave Carpenter
Associated Press writer

CHICAGO — Many questions remain for cable TV viewers nationwide even after Fox and Time Warner Cable settled their noisy spat with a New Year’s Day agreement.

The deal was good news for more than 6 million Time Warner customers in the short term: College bowl and National Football League games, “American Idol” and a host of other popular Fox programs in New York, Los Angeles, Dallas, Orlando, Fla., and other markets are appearing on their screens as usual.

Sharri Genens of Redondo Beach, Calif., was among the Time Warner customers who were relieved. She said she was extremely upset when she heard she might lose Fox.

“I would have dropped cable entirely if they’d done that,” said Genens, 39. “I would have just gone to somebody else to pay more, done whatever I needed to do to get my shows” — including football.

Fox had threatened to force Time Warner Cable and Bright House to drop its signal from 14 of its TV stations and a half-dozen of its cable channels if Time Warner didn’t increase payments to Fox in a contract that took effect Friday. The deal affects close to half its customers. Time Warner is the nation’s second-largest cable provider after Comcast Corp.

But the companies are not talking about how the agreement will affect customers’ bills. And the mood among cable providers, broadcasters and other content producers has not improved.

A less amicable ending in a separate programming dispute showed the downside of playing hardball.

Cablevision Systems Corp. customers in New York, New Jersey and Connecticut reacted angrily in more than 100 posts Friday and Saturday on the media and entertainment news site Deadline.com after about 3.1 million subscribers lost access Friday to HGTV and Food Network Friday.

Comments accused Cablevision and Scripps Networks Interactive Inc. — but mostly Cablevision — of greed and arrogance when they failed to reach agreement over a fee increase Scripps demanded.

Many of those who posted said they were switching to competitors or satellite or going online.

Mexico announces capture of alleged drug lord

By Alexandra Olson
Associated Press writer

MEXICO CITY — Mexican police have captured alleged drug lord Carlos Beltran Leyva, just two weeks after his even more powerful brother was killed in a shootout with troops — back-to-back victories in President Felipe Calderon’s drug war.

The Public Safety Department said in a statement Saturday night that Carlos Beltran Leyva was arrested in Culiacan, the capital of the Pacific coast state of Sinaloa, where he and several of his brothers

were born and allegedly started their gang.

Two weeks ago, his brother Arturo, reputed chief of the Beltran Leyva cartel, was killed in a shootout with Mexican marines in the central city of Cuernavaca. He was the highest-ranking cartel suspect taken down since Calderon sent tens of thousands of soldiers and federal police across the country three years ago to fight brutal drug gangs.

Mexican officials in the past have described Carlos Beltran Leyva, 40, as a key member of the gang, but it was unclear if he took over

as chief of the cartel after his brother died.

A third brother, Alfredo, was arrested in January 2008. At least one other brother, Mario, remains at large and is listed as one of Mexico’s 24 most-wanted drug lords, with a \$2 million reward offered for his capture. Carlos Beltran was not included on the list, although the Public Safety Department said there had been a warrant for his arrest since 2008.

Officials from the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration, whose intelligence information helped track down Arturo

Beltran Leyva, have said one of the brothers would likely fill the void. DEA intelligence chief Anthony Placido said last month the U.S. was getting sporadic reports of plots to break Alfredo Beltran Leyva out of prison.

The arrest of Carlos Beltran Leyva sent a strong signal that Calderon’s government has no intention of backing down in its campaign to destroy the cartel despite a chilling reprisal attack for Arturo Beltran Leyva’s death. Days after he was killed, gunmen massacred the mother and three other relatives of a marine

who died in the Dec. 16 shootout.

Calderon vowed he would not be intimidated. However, authorities were far quieter in announcing Carlos Beltran Leyva’s capture, waiting three days to make the arrest public.

In its terse statement, the Public Safety Department said federal police found Beltran Leyva on Wednesday carrying two guns, ammunition and a false driver’s license identifying him as Carlos Gamez Orpineda. He later acknowledged he was Arturo Beltran Leyva’s brother, the department said.

Lawmakers reject Karzai's Cabinet list

By **Rahim Faiez and Deb Riechmann**
Associated Press writers

KABUL — A chastened President Hamid Karzai must submit new Cabinet picks after defiant lawmakers rejected 17 of his 24 nominees Saturday, including a powerful warlord and the country's only woman minister.

The Afghan parliament rejected nominees viewed as Karzai's political cronies, those believed to be under the influence of warlords and others deemed unqualified.

"I think, unfortunately, that the criteria were either ethnicity or bribery or money," lawmaker Fawzia Kufi said of Karzai's picks.

The vote was a setback to Karzai, though one political analyst in Kabul speculated that it could free up the president to appoint qualified

professionals rather than settle political debts.

"There were lots of demands on Karzai from people asking for Cabinet positions because they campaigned for him," Mohammad Qasim Akhgar said. "This was the only way he could reward them and if parliament didn't approve them, it wasn't his fault. Very soon, Karzai will come out with a new list with the names of people he really wants to have in his Cabinet."

The new Cabinet is a bellwether for the U.S. and other nations hoping a stronger government will keep disenchanted Afghans from siding with the Taliban after Karzai won a second five-year term last year in a disputed election rife with ballot-box stuffing.

The lawmakers approved a handful of incumbent ministers favored by the West and

instrumental to the war effort.

Karzai has defended his choices, which he announced late last month after several delays. He said his proposed Cabinet represented a balance of the nation's ethnic factions.

But parliamentarians weren't happy. They complained the list looked too much like the existing Cabinet and spelled another five years of business as usual for the Karzai government, which has been criticized as being corrupt and ineffective.

Of the 12 incumbent ministers Karzai sought to retain, the parliament approved only five: Defense Minister Gen. Abdul Rahim Wardak; Interior Minister Hanif Atmar; Finance Minister Omar Zakhilwal; Agriculture Minister Muhammad Asif Rahimi; and Education

Minister Ghulam Farooq Wardak.

Karzai had wanted to keep Water and Power Minister Ismail Khan, a warlord in Herat province during the civil war of the 1990s who retains considerable local power. Critics said keeping Khan proved Karzai remained beholden to regional power brokers at the expense of the country's national interests. Khan's nomination was narrowly defeated.

Had he been seated, Khan would not have been the only warlord in Karzai's government. The two vice presidents — Mohammad Qasim Fahim and Karim Khalili — are both former warlords widely believed to have looted Afghanistan for years. Karzai likely put them on his ticket to win votes from their minority ethnic communities.



AP photo

A U.S. Army soldier secures the site of a car bomb attack at the al-Baiyaa area of western Baghdad, Iraq, Saturday.

U.S. commander in Iraq says troop drawdown on track

By **Rebecca Santana**
Associated Press writer

FORWARD OPERATING BASE COBRA, Iraq — The nearly two-month delay in holding Iraq's nationwide elections will not keep American combat troops from leaving the country as scheduled by the end of August, the top U.S. commander in Iraq told The Associated Press in an interview Saturday.

"The plan that I put together originally gave me plenty of flexibility, and part of that flexibility was that the election would be delayed, so I built flexibility into our plan," Gen. Ray Odierno said at a military base in Iraq's Diyala Province. "I feel comfortable that we're on track."

Iraq was originally scheduled to hold key elections in January that will determine who will lead the country as American forces go home, but political wrangling over how to apportion votes in a law needed to carry out the balloting delayed the vote until March 7.

Under a U.S. plan, all combat troops are slated to leave Iraq by the end of August. The remaining 50,000 U.S. forces will be doing non-combat operations such as training.

Around early May, if the country is on stable footing, Odierno will begin mov-

ing troops out of Iraq. There are currently about 110,000 U.S. forces in Iraq, and Odierno said by March 7 there will be roughly 100,000 troops here.

"We have it well planned out. They have excess equipment that is leaving now ahead of time. ... It's four months, and what we really plan on doing is 12,500 (troops) a month, and that should see us through," he said.

When asked why the U.S. needs to keep 100,000 troops — more than the number of U.S. forces in Afghanistan — in a country that has seen such an improvement in security, Odierno said the U.S. troop presence would provide psychological and physical support for Iraq as it goes through what he described as vital elections.

"This is in my opinion the most important election that has been held to date in Iraq," Odierno said. "We want to come down in such a way that it is deliberate, and in such a way that Iraqis are gaining confidence in themselves to provide their own security."

The United States has been consolidating bases around the country as it draws down forces. Under a security pact signed with the government of Iraq, all U.S. forces are to be out of the country by the end of 2011.

Somali charged in attack on Danish cartoonist

COPENHAGEN (AP) — An ax-wielding Somali man with suspected al-Qaida links was charged Saturday with two counts of attempted murder after breaking into the home of a Danish artist whose Prophet Muhammad cartoon outraged the Muslim world three years ago.

The suspect, who was shot twice by a police officer responding to the scene, was rolled into a Danish court on a stretcher, his face covered. He was ordered held for four weeks on preliminary charges of attempting to murder the cartoonist, as well as the police officer who shot him.



Westergaard

Efforts to protect the artist — 74-year-old Kurt Westergaard — were immediately stepped up, as he was moved to an undisclosed location.

The suspect, described by authorities as a 28-year-old Somali with ties to al-Qaida, allegedly broke into the house late Friday armed with an ax and a knife. The house is in Aarhus, Denmark's second largest city, 125 miles (200 kilometers) northwest of Copenhagen.

Jakob Scharf, head of Denmark's PET intelligence agency, said Saturday the man might have attacked spontaneously.

"It seems that he acted alone, and maybe it was a sudden decision," Scharf told Danish broadcaster TV2. He was not immediately available for further comment.

Westergaard, who has been the target of several death threats since depicting the Prophet Muhammad with a bomb-shaped turban, has been under round-the-clock protection by Danish police since February 2008.

When he heard someone trying to break into his home, he pressed an alarm and fled to a specially made safe room. His five-year-old granddaughter was also in the house at the time.

Officers arrived two minutes later and tried to arrest the assailant. He threatened the officers with the ax, and one officer then shot him in the hand and knee, Preben Nielsen of the Aarhus police said.



AP photo

Afghan policewomen arrive for a graduation ceremony after eight weeks of training, Dec. 17, 2009, at a police academy in Kabul, Afghanistan. About 500 Afghan women are active duty officers, most of them in relatively safe areas like Kabul and northern Herat province, according to Interior Ministry figures.

U.S. military relies on Afghan police while working to clean them up

By **Thomas L. Day**
McClatchy Newspapers

KABUL, Afghanistan — A group of Georgia National Guard soldiers joined Lt. Col. Mir Salam Adamkhil, a Kabul precinct chief, in his office Thursday. At first the conversation centered on small talk, mostly about the precinct chief's teenage sons, as the men sipped chai.

Then Staff Sgt. Josh Heaton opened a metal folder and flipped through a sheaf of paper marked "Secret."

"Ask him if he knows who this guy is?" Heaton told his interpreter as he underlined the name of an insurgent planning attacks on U.S. troops.

The precinct chief was very familiar with the name, and his expression changed: "If I see him, I will arrest him."

This was not the first time the group had approached the local police looking for intelligence. In fact, several soldiers from the 48th Brigade of the Georgia

National Guard said they routinely rely on the police for ground intelligence on looming attacks.

"We get more intel (from the Afghan police) than our own end," said Capt. Kevin Nicklay of Statesboro, Ga. "Right now, they're looking for some suicide bombers. They'll find at least one of them."

This dynamic presents a wrinkle in the Obama administration's war strategy: As it prods the Afghan police to root out corruption in its ranks, U.S. soldiers still must charm its commanders into providing intelligence on Taliban elements in their neighborhoods.

The U.S. forces simply don't have the personal reach into Afghan communities to dig up their own intelligence.

The soldiers from a Georgia Guard field artillery unit have worked with the police in Kabul since they arrived in March; they haven't once fired an artillery round in Afghanistan. On Thursday, they trained a special opera-

tions police unit in north Kabul on searching a vehicle, first aid, and cleaning their AK-47s.

The subjects of the training were notable. For a police unit in the United States, these subjects are usually introductory-level topics.

When a regional police commander arrived at the precinct midday, he didn't arrive with a smile on his face.

"They don't know how to hold their weapons, they don't know how to stand and salute, they don't know how to be police," Col. Abdul Rahman Rrahimi said of his young policemen.

Afghan police recruits begin their training through a police academy run by DynCorp, a government contractor based in Falls Church, Va.

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Carol Phillips

HEYBURN — Carol Phillips, age 64, of Heyburn, passed away Thursday, Dec. 31, 2009, at Cassia Regional Medical Center in Burley, after a courageous seven-year battle with chronic obstructive pulmonary disease.

Carol was born Aug. 25, 1945, in Twin Falls, Idaho, the daughter of Jess Edward and Marie (Lewis) Stout. She received her education in Weippe and Pierce, Idaho. After a 10-day courtship, she married Gene Phillips on Sept. 17, 1960, in Pierce, Idaho. Together, they had four children, Tina, Lonnie, Tony and Mellisa. Upon moving to the Mini-Cassia area, Carol was employed by Del Monte and Ore-Ida Foods retiring from McCain Foods in Burley.

Carol was a devoted wife and loving mother and grandmother. She was an outstanding homemaker and used her talents in crafts to beautify their home. She was a former member of the Rupert Lady Elks and the Burley Dees.

Survivors include her husband of 49 years, Gene Phillips of Heyburn; her children, Tina Martinez of Burley, Lonnie (Jeanne)



Phillips of Kuna, Tony Phillips of Twin Falls and Mellisa (Ray) Lindsey of Heyburn; eight grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; and her siblings, Jake Stout of Orofino, Clyde Stout of Pineville, Ellen Wisdom of Weippe, Don Stout of Kamiah, Martin Stout of Orofino and Shirley (Gary) Stewart of Weippe. She was preceded in death by her parents and a brother, Earl Stout.

The funeral will be held at 11 a.m. Wednesday, Jan. 6, at Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St. in Burley. Burial will be in Riverside Cemetery in Heyburn. Friends may call from 6 until 8 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 5, and one hour prior to the service on Wednesday at the funeral home.

Howard Dee Marsden

SUN LAKES, Ariz. — Howard Dee Marsden has passed on after living courageously with brain cancer for the past six months. Dee was truly a cowboy (trooper) fighting on to the last minute. Dee was able to let go, before it took over his life which is exactly what he wanted. He was remarkably at peace and rest on Christmas Day. It truly was a special gift for the family to have him pass on such a special occasion of togetherness, warmth, compassion and so much love. Dee would not like for us to deeply mourn his passing. Dee's wishes were for us all to celebrate his life to the fullest.

In our hopes and prayers, Dee is now off living his dream of being with family and simply enjoying Mother Nature at its best, while fly fishing his way along the many rivers and lakes that he has visited over the years which are near and around his homeland country in the Northwest and Southwest. Catch a BIG one, Dee!

Dee was cremated and his cremated remains will be spread amongst very special locations as requested by him. If you're ever in the Grand Tetons area, you'll definitely feel his spirit amongst the beauty, especially if you visit the Chapel of the Transfiguration in the Grand Teton National Park as you view through the window to see the mountains and the valley of aspens. If you're ever in upstate New York at Silver Bay, YMCA of the Adirondacks, you will feel his presence in the memorial garden next to the chapel where Travis and Terra were baptized. And then, if you're ever near the Blackfoot, Idaho, area, you can visit his parents' gravesite at the Riverside-Thomas Cemetery to feel his spirit as well.

Dee was born on July 28, 1936, in Idaho Falls, Idaho. Dee graduated from Burley High School in 1956, with the honor of being the first student body president to graduate from the new Burley High School. While in high school, he was very active in many clubs and organizations. He was known as the class clown (every teacher's nightmare). Principal Earl Carlson probably considered a career change before he graduated the 2-D's (D. Taylor and Dee Marsden). The 2-D's have remained as brothers and enjoyed many fishing trips and ice cream treats in Idaho and Arizona, until Dee's passing.

Dee won many talent contests as an after dinner speaker, extemporaneous speaker, and a Jerry Lewis imitator. He won first place in the Jerry Lewis Telethon locally, and on the national level. Dee was chosen to represent the State Farm



Bureau at the National Convention held in Chicago, for first place in the "talent find" contest.

He worked for the Herald Bulletin in Burley in the advertising department until 1962, when he moved to Dickinson, N.D., to assume the position of manager of the Dickinson Press. He later accepted an advertising position in California, eventually transferring to Phoenix, Ariz. Dee had spent every spare minute traveling every river, stream and brook fishing. He tied his own flies and taught classes on fly tying and fly fishing. He truly was at peace with nature. He especially loved the Grand Teton National Park, Yellowstone, and Island Park.

The Marsden family would like to thank everyone for their prayers, love and support during our roller coaster journey. The last six months has been a continuous emotional road to travel, but a wonderful time to enjoy the warmth, and give the gift of love to Dee and celebrate each day we had with him. On every future Christmas Day, we will celebrate the life of our husband, father, grandfather, and beloved brother and friend. Dee's life and his memory will live on in our hearts.

He is survived by his wife, Harriet Babcock Marsden (whom he married on July 19, 1971); one son, Travis (Kazumi) Marsden; one daughter, Terra Marsden; three grandchildren, Tiara, Kiley and Riana; and four sisters, Donna (Jack) Christensen of Roy, Utah, Betty (Jerry) Newberry of Twin Falls, Veloy Lewis of Declo and Kay (Larry) Winn of Burley.

He was preceded in death by his father, Howard "Shorty" Marsden; his mother, Cora Covington Marsden; and sisters, Beverly Ray Marsden and Lois Marsden.

(Rasmussen Funeral Home in Burley).

Gary Blaine Golay

EAGLE RIVER, Alaska — Longtime Alaska resident, Gary Blaine Golay, 76, died of natural causes Saturday, Dec. 12, 2009, in Mohave, Calif.

Gary was born Sept. 18, 1933, in Conda, Idaho, and was the son of Elmer and Rosemarie Golay. After graduating high school, he went on to serve in the United States Navy. Gary later moved to Alaska in 1965 and lived in his Eagle River home for more than 40 years. Mr. Golay had an independent adventurous spirit suited for Alaska. During his lifetime, he had been a bush pilot, hunting guide, gold miner and later owned and operated several local businesses.

Gary was the type of man that if you had the chance to meet him, you would probably walk away really liking him. He was one of those people that, when he walked down the street, he would run into someone that he knew or an old friend at every turn. Those that got the chance to really know and love Gary saw a gentle kindred spirit underneath his rough and tough persona, and you could rest assured that if he ever said he was going to do something or



gave you his word, you knew that this was the way it would be. Gary lived life to the fullest and he never seemed to slow down. He was on his way back from the World Championship Rodeo Finals in Las Vegas, Nev., to his daughter's home in Bakersfield, Calif., when he passed away. Going to the World Championship Rodeo Finals was one of his biggest dreams, and he was able to realize that dream before the end.

Mr. Golay is survived by his daughters, Rosemarie Griffiths of Bakersfield, Calif., and Monique Golay of Houston, Alaska; grandchildren, Blain Golay (U.S. Navy), Amber Roberts and Cathy Fisher. He is also survived by his brother, Dr. Vernon Golay of Salem, Ore.; and his many close and dear friends. He is preceded in death by his lovely wife, Edith Golay; his son, Robin Golay; and his daughter, Debra Carroll.

Upon his request, no service will be held and his remains will be taken back to Alaska for final disposition.

Gary Golay will be greatly missed by his family and everyone whom his life touched.

Clifford Jay Ward

RICHFIELD — On the morning of Thursday, Dec. 31, 2009, Clifford Jay Ward, husband, father, grandfather, uncle and dear friend, passed away peacefully in his home due to complications related to cancer. He was 72. Jay had been diagnosed with cancer just over a week ago. He spent a wonderful week with his wife, Karon, children and grandchildren celebrating the Christmas holiday.

Clifford Jay Ward was born in St. Anthony, Idaho, on Nov. 30, 1937, to parents, Clifford "CW" Wilmer Ward and Olive Almedia Campbell. The Ward family moved to Richfield, Idaho, in August of 1946, where Jay's father was hired to operate the Nelson Ricks Creamery Co. Jay spent his entire career working in the dairy industry as an owner/manager of Ward's Cheese and then as an owner in Heart to Heart Foods and Doc's Cheese located in Cache Valley, Utah. After graduating from high school, Jay served in the Army for two years and then was called to serve a two-year mission for the LDS Church in the British Isles Mission. Jay's memories of growing up are working in the cheese plant, playing softball, and skiing.

Jay married his eternal companion, Karon Lee Whitby, in the Idaho Falls LDS Temple on April 13, 1962. Jay and Karon met while Jay was coaching softball for the Richfield team and Karon was playing for the opposing team.

Jay was an active member of the LDS Church and served in many callings including bishop, counselor in the bishopric, Sunday school and priesthood instructor. He was also active in the community, serving on the Richfield School Board as chairman, member of Lions Club, Booster Club, PTO president, Planning and



Zoning Committee, and president of the Idaho Milk Producers. Jay was also an avid supporter of the Richfield school and athletic programs.

Jay is survived by his wife, Karon of Richfield, Idaho; seven children and eight grandchildren: son, Berkley and Shauna and children, Danna, Braxton, Clayton and Devon of Layton, Utah; son, Garr of Richfield, Idaho; daughter, Monica of Richfield, Idaho; son, Barry and Melinda and children, Kanyan, Cooper, Ramzy and Layker of Providence, Utah; daughter, Malinda of Mountain View, Calif.; son, Jason and fiancée, Katie Gerard and daughter, Lainie of Providence, Utah; and daughter, Ginger of Providence, Utah; and siblings: sister, Sharon and Dick Christensen of Provo, Utah; brother, Dallas and Margaret Ward of Richfield, Idaho; brother, Lowell and Maureen Ward of Richfield, Idaho; and sister, Joyce and Don Nelson of Provo, Utah.

Jay was preceded in death by his parents, Clifford Ward and Olive Campbell.

A visitation will be held Monday, Jan. 4, at Farnsworth Mortuary Chapel, 1343 S. Lincoln in Jerome, where family and friends may call from 6 to 7:30 p.m. The funeral will be conducted at 11:30 a.m. Tuesday, Jan. 5, at the Richfield LDS Church, 1575 E. Highway 26 in Richfield, Idaho, with Bishop Matthew Kent officiating. A visitation will be held from 10 to 11:15 a.m. prior to the service at the church. Interment will follow in the Richfield Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests that memorials be made in Jay's name to Richfield High School Athletic Department, 555 N. Tiger Drive, Richfield, ID 83349.

Mary Ruth Simmons Vaden

MERIDIAN — Mary Ruth Simmons Vaden, formerly of Elko, Nev., and Shoshone, Idaho, passed away peacefully at home in Meridian with her family nearby on New Year's Eve.

The eldest of seven children, Ruth was born in Kentwood, La., on Feb. 24, 1922, to Thomas Gordon and Mamie Grace Jones Simmons. She grew up in the McComb, Miss., area and moved West in the 1940s. Mom married Robert G. Vaden on May 8, 1950. Her three daughters (from a previous marriage), Bonnie, Marilyn and Evelyn, were adopted by Robert "Bobbie Boy" in April of 1974.

Ruth was an active member of the Shoshone Rebekahs and Order of the Eastern Star, and the Shoshone Civic Club. She was the director for the Elko Senior Center for several years and volunteered many years thereafter where she and Bob were honored as "Senior Citizen Volunteers of the Year" several times. Ruth and Bob were both avid supporters and Rainbow Pop and Mom of the Elko, Nev., Rainbow Girls. Mom was a 52-year member of the Order of the Eastern Star, Past Matron in Shoshone and Elko and served as Grand Electa of Nevada and Grand Representative of Mississippi in Nevada. She was a current member of the Ravishing Rubies Red Hat Society in Meridian.

Ruth posted water for the Big Wood Canal Company in Shoshone. She worked at the Manhattan Cafe and was a high school coach's wife who drove the cheerleaders to all the games. Mom spent many hours at her sewing machine sewing clothes and costumes for her daughters for musicals. Ruth attended business school in Twin Falls, earning an accounting certificate. She managed the books for



numerous companies in Elko, including Bellinger's and Sutter Trucking.

Surviving are her children, Bonnie Jepson of Meridian, Idaho, Marilyn Schaefer (Bill) of Reno, Nev., and Evelyn Lalliss (John) of Boise, Idaho; seven grandchildren, Robert Jepson (Joye) of North Bend, Wash., Letitia Brazier (Robert) of Wilton, Calif., Lisa Lalliss-Skogsberg (Steve) of Meridian, Idaho, Lynette Lalliss of Boise, Idaho, and Edward Bayliss (Jill), Jason Bayliss and Jim Schaefer (Shantel), all of Sparks, Nev.; 14 great-grandchildren and one great-great-granddaughter. Surviving siblings include sister, Evelyn Miller of Knoxville, Tenn.; and brothers, Henry Gene (Evelyn) of Brookhaven, Miss., and Tommy (Margie) of Zachary, La.; and numerous nieces and nephews around the nation.

Ruth was preceded in death by her loving husband of 52 years, Robert G. Vaden; sons-in-law, Larry Jepson and Ed Bayliss; siblings, Thomas Walton, Jack and Billy Simmons; brother-in-law, O.E. "Gene" Miller; and her parents.

Mom was first and foremost a loving and caring mother and grandmother and compassionate and generous friend. We would like to thank the many friends, family and hospice caregivers who helped and assisted us through this.

In lieu of flowers or other memoriam, please make a donation in her name to St. Luke's Hospice, 325 Idaho St., Boise, ID 83702, or Horizon Hospice at 790 Commercial St. in Elko, NV 89801.

A memorial service is scheduled for 2 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 7, at Summers Funeral Homes on Ustick near Eagle Road in Meridian.

A celebration of their 60th anniversary will be held in Elko on May 8, 2010.

SERVICES

Dennis J. Moses of Burley, funeral at 11 a.m. Monday at the Burley LDS West Stake Center, 2420 Parke Ave.; burial at 4 p.m. Monday at the Norton Cemetery in McCammon; visitation from 6 to 8 p.m. today at the Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St. in Burley, and 10 to 10:45 a.m. Monday at the church.

Earl L. Taylor of Oakley, service at 11 a.m. Monday at the Oakley LDS Church; visitation from 10 to 11 a.m. Monday at the church (Hansen Payne Mortuary in Burley).

Helen Louise Lattin of Tremonton, Utah, and for-

merly of Jerome, graveside memorial service at 1 p.m. Monday at Sunset Memorial Park, 2296 Kimberly Road in Twin Falls (Farnsworth Mortuary of Jerome).

Joyce McCreery of Castleford, service at 2 p.m. Monday at Farmer Funeral Chapel in Buhl.

Joseph Harrison "Harry" Fowles of Independence, Utah, and formerly of Oakley, funeral at noon Tuesday at the Ballard LDS Chapel in Roosevelt, Utah; visitation from 6 to 8 p.m. Monday at Hullinger Mortuary, 457 E. 300 N. in Roosevelt, and 11 to 11:45 a.m. Tuesday at the church.

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DEATH NOTICES

I. Maricela Trelles

JEROME — I. Maricela Trelles, 32, of Jerome, died Friday, Jan. 1, 2010, in Jerome.

Arrangements will be announced by Farnsworth Mortuary of Jerome.

Irene S. Hunsaker

RUPERT — Irene S. Hunsaker, 88, of Rupert, died Friday, Jan. 1, 2010, at Portneuf Medical Center in Pocatello.

Arrangements will be announced by Hansen Mortuary Rupert Chapel.

Ludema Davis

Ludema Davis, 99, of Twin Falls, died Friday, Jan.

1, 2010, at her home.

Arrangements will be announced by White Mortuary in Twin Falls.

Laura M. Holman

Laura May Holman, 90, of Twin Falls, died Saturday, Jan. 2, 2010, at Willowbrook Assisted Living in Twin Falls.

Arrangements will be announced by White Mortuary in Twin Falls.

Wilma M. Wiesen

JEROME — Wilma Mae Wiesen, 76, of Jerome, died Saturday, Jan. 2, 2010, at her home.

Arrangements will be announced by White Mortuary in Twin Falls.

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Deborah Howell, prominent Minnesota editor, killed in New Zealand

By Pamela Miller and Vince Tuss
Star Tribune (Minneapolis)

MINNEAPOLIS — Deborah Howell, a pioneering journalist who helped lead both the Minneapolis Star (now the Star Tribune) and St. Paul Pioneer Press in the 1970s and 1980s and later served as ombudsman for the Washington Post, died Friday after being hit by a car in New Zealand, St. Paul Mayor Chris Coleman said.

Coleman, who is Howell's stepson, said the family received word that Howell, who was fulfilling a lifelong dream to visit New Zealand, was struck as she crossed a

street near Blenheim, New Zealand. She was traveling with her husband, C. Peter Magrath, former president of the University of Minnesota.

Howell, 68, was city editor and later an assistant managing editor of the Minneapolis Star in the 1970s, and managing editor and executive editor of the St. Paul Pioneer Press in the 1980s. Under her leadership, the Pioneer Press won two Pulitzer Prizes.

In 1990, she became the Washington bureau chief of the Newhouse newspaper chain. From 2005 to 2008, she was the Washington Post's ombudsman.

"She played a very important role in my life after my dad died, right up to editing my speeches," Chris Coleman said. "And she was a powerful force for good journalism."

Coleman said he had spent the day preparing for his Monday inauguration when he got the news about Howell's death. "The last thing I had yet to do was to send her my remarks for her edits," he said.

Among those she inspired to enter journalism was his daughter, he said, who will soon study it at the

University of Missouri.

Howell, a native of San Antonio, Texas, once said her career path was probably set when her parents met in a newsroom. Her father, Henry Howell, was a Texas newspaper reporter, editor and broadcaster. Her mother, Mary Dell Williams, was editor of her high school newspaper.

Howell graduated from the University of Texas and worked at the Austin American-Statesman and the Corpus Christi Caller-Times before joining the

Minneapolis Star in 1965. She was city editor for four years, one of the few women to hold the job at the time. In 1979, she left for the Pioneer Press.

"I'm feisty and aggressive and the (Pioneer Press) is feisty and aggressive," she said in 1990 when she announced she was leaving St. Paul to become chief of the Newhouse newspaper group's Washington bureau.

In 1975, Howell married Nick Coleman, the Minnesota Senate majority leader. He died in 1981. In 1988, she married Magrath.

In a series of interviews in 1993 and 1994 for a Washington Press Club

Foundation oral history project on women in journalism, Howell described the challenges she faced upon becoming city editor at the Star, especially for the men who worked for her. "I had to be really tough, and I was," she said. "I had a vision of what I wanted that paper to be, and a bunch of people working for me who themselves — my entire city desk, practically — wanted my job, and I got the job most of them wanted, were all men older than I was."

"I was 34 when I became city editor. So I had some go-rounds with them, but I won them."

Al Bernardin, inventor of the Quarter Pounder, dies at 81

By Matthew Artz
The Argus (Fremont, Calif.)

FREMONT, Calif. — Al Bernardin, inventor of the McDonald's Quarter Pounder, has died of a stroke. He was 81.

Bernardin, a native of Lawrence, Mass., went to work at McDonald's corporate headquarters in 1960 and quickly rose to dean of Hamburger University, McDonald's training center.

Later, as vice president of product development, he played a major role in the formation of McDonald's signature fish sandwich, french fries, and hot apple and cherry pies.

But Bernardin's claim to fame came in 1971, when, as a franchise owner in Fremont, he introduced the Quarter Pounder, with the prophetic slogan, "Today Fremont, tomorrow the world."

"I felt there was a void in our menu vis-a-vis the adult who wanted a higher

ratio of meat to bun," he said in 1991 while commemorating the burger's 20th anniversary.

Not all of his ideas became menu staples. McDonald's corporate office nixed the The Lite Mac — a one-fifth pounder consisting of 15 percent less beef fat — and the McGobbler, a sandwich made of ground turkey meat.

"He always wanted to make things better," said Bernardin's son, Mark, who owns three McDonald's in Fremont. "He spent two years making prototypes to spread butter on corn-on-the-cob."

While the Quarter Pounder became an international sensation, Bernardin said his most important contribution to fast-food fare is the frozen french fry.

"Before that, the (restaurants) had to store potatoes in the basement," Mark Bernardin said. "It was a real pain."

James L. Goddard, former head of FDA, dies at 86

By Valerie J. Nelson
Los Angeles Times

LOS ANGELES — Dr. James L. Goddard, who spent more than two stormy years in the late 1960s as head of the Food and Drug Administration, an agency he was charged with overhauling, has died. He was 86.

Goddard died Dec. 18 at Saddleback Memorial Medical Center in Laguna Hills, south of Los Angeles, following a brief illness, said his son, Bruce.

In early 1966, Goddard came to the FDA after spending four years in Atlanta as the well-regarded chief of what is now the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

He approached the shake-up of the FDA with such zeal that his staff called him "Go-Go Goddard" as he reorganized the agency and made it clear that he intended to be a regulator, not a caretaker.

As the first medical doctor to serve as commissioner of the agency in 45 years, he assumed office at a time when critics considered the FDA "a bumbling bureaucra-

cy" and "a prisoner of an industry more interested in its profits than its products," the Los Angeles Times reported in 1966.

Almost immediately, he told the powerful pharmaceutical industry that drug research was inadequate and would have to be improved. Drug recalls grew by nearly 75 percent during his first year as commissioner, the agency said.

Goddard undertook a sweeping investigation of the effectiveness of about 4,000 medicines, many of which had been widely available for years. He also cracked down on drug advertising and instituted "Dear Doctor" letters that required drug makers to contact doctors in writing to address false or misleading claims.

James Lee Goddard was born April 24, 1923, in Alliance, Ohio, the younger of two children of Frederick and Harriett Calhoun Goddard.

Goddard grew up in Warren, Ohio, and received

his bachelor's degree in 1944 from Philadelphia's Temple University while serving in the Army during World War II.

When he was stationed at Walter Reed Medical Center in Washington, Goddard met Mildred Mae Miller, a nurse, while he was recovering from an attack by a patient in the psychiatric ward, his son said.

The couple married in 1945 and raised three children before divorcing in 1974.

After earning his medical degree at George Washington University in 1949, Goddard ran a private medical practice in Kalida, Ohio, before embarking on a career in public health in 1951. He went on to earn a master's degree in public health from Harvard University in 1955.

From 1956 to 1959, he oversaw the Public Health Service Accident Prevention Program in Washington and helped lead the push for seat belts in automobiles.

Over the next three years,

he served as director of the medical program for what is now the Federal Aviation Administration.

When he was named chief of the CDC in 1962, Goddard was the youngest person at that time to hold the post, according to the FDA.

In announcing his appointment to head the FDA, President Lyndon B. Johnson said Goddard had "earned wide recognition for his administrative skills and his scientific competence," according to a 1966 New York Times article.

Goddard left the FDA in 1968 to join a private data-processing firm. He later spent two years as a program adviser at the Ford Foundation in New Delhi and did consulting work until about seven years ago.

At a tennis tournament, he met Marjorie Geraldine Raitt, whom he married in 1976. She died in 2004.

As a father, he tried to encourage his children to read by repeatedly telling them he had read every book in the public library while growing up.



Howell



Goddard

Leila Smith Balis

MURRAY, Utah — Our amazing mom Leila was born Nov. 2, 1919, in Buhl, Twin Falls, Idaho, to Raymond L. and Lulu Bennett Smith. She passed away Saturday, Jan. 2, 2010, peacefully in her sleep.

She attended Buhl schools, graduating from high school there and going on to the Southern University at Pocatello, Idaho, later Idaho State, where she obtained a degree in education. She then taught at schools in Baker, Idaho, and Eden, Idaho. She married Kenneth C. Balis on Jan. 6, 1942, in Redding, Calif. They farmed in Filer and later Ken went into utility construction and they moved to Salt Lake City in 1953.

Leila and Ken were charter members of the Willow Creek Country Club and she held many offices in golf and bowling there. She joined the Mick Riley Women's Golf group and was president six times and held many other offices. She founded the Holladay Toastmistress Club and among other offices became regional supervisor of the Snake River Region. She was also president of Job's Mothers.

At a later age, Leila went back to school to become a medical assistant and then worked for four doctors. She volunteered at Cottonwood Hospital for many years and was a vol-

unteer with the Computer Club at the Heritage Center.

Leila had a love of family and genealogy, tracing many ancestors and writing extensive and comprehensive booklets about each family line. She gave copies to family members and copies to the Family History Library.

Wife and mother were her most precious accomplishments. Leila's children loved her dearly and could not have asked for a better mother.

She is survived by her children, Shari Bennett of Salt Lake, Linda Burke (Pat) of Mallorca, Spain, Jim Balis (Vickie) of Salt Lake and Jeffrey Balis (Sherry) of Sandy, Utah; her sister, Lois Matheney of Twin Falls, Idaho; and also many grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Her husband, Ken, preceded her in death after 54 years of marriage, and she also was preceded in death by her sister, Norma Brown.

A memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 9, at Jenkins-Soffe Mortuary, 4760 S. State St. in Murray, Utah, with a celebration of Leila's life following at Spring Hills Condo Club House, 5260 Springhouse Lane in Murray.

In lieu of flowers, please make a contribution to your favorite charity. Online condolences may be shared at www.jenkins-soffe.com.

Gene Oleen Baggett



BUHL — Gene Oleen Baggett, 74, surrounded by his loving family, passed away peacefully Friday, Jan. 1, 2010, at home from complications of multiple myeloma.

Born in Alta Loma, Calif., on June 1, 1935, to Oleen Baggett and Dorothy Anderson, Gene graduated from Buhl High School in 1953 and attended college at Utah State University. He married his sweetheart, Lorraine Bell, on Jan. 19, 1955, in the Salt Lake City LDS Temple and they were married 55 wonderful years.

They purchased their farm in 1966 in the Northview area of Buhl, where they continued their farming operation which included row crop, dairy and livestock. A successful farmer, Gene took a tremendous amount of pride in his work always passionate about his family and church service. He enjoyed fishing, hunting, and camp outings with his family and always took time to attend the many activities of his grandchildren, who were the joy of his life.

Gene served in many and various callings in the LDS Church throughout his lifetime including, bishop of the Buhl 1st Ward, first counselor in the stake presidency of the Filer Idaho Stake, ordained patriarch of the Filer Idaho Stake for 17 years, and recently served in the Twin Falls Idaho Temple. When he was close to retirement, he drove school bus

and enjoyed the many interactions he experienced with the children on his route.

After 53 years of farming, Gene and Lorraine sold their farm and built a home above the Baggett Orchard on the Snake River Canyon rim in 2008.

He is survived by his loving wife, Lorraine; mother, Dorothy; his five children, Alan (Carolyn) of Salt Lake City, Utah, Chris (Robin) of Twin Falls, Idaho, Carrie (Karl) of Salt Lake City, and Sandra (Lanny) of Richland, Wash.; 11 grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; and brothers and sisters, Viola Chidester of Buhl, Gary (Judy) of Buhl, Larry (Dee) of Buhl and Judy Wight (Ray) of Twin Falls. He was preceded in death by his father, Oleen; brother-in-law, Vern Chidester; and daughter, April Lorraine.

We miss you Dad, but know you have returned home. Your wonderful example, uplifting spirit, and positive outlook have touched our lives forever.

Funeral services are under the direction of Bell Funeral Home in Boise. A viewing will be held from 6 to 8 p.m. Monday, Jan. 4, at Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Road in Twin Falls.

The funeral will be held at noon Tuesday, Jan. 5, at the LDS Chapel, 501 Main St. in Buhl, with a viewing one hour prior to the service.

Mark Everett



HANSEN — Mark "Markie Newt" Everett was born June 22, 1960, in Twin Falls, Idaho. He died suddenly at his home in Hansen, Idaho.

Mark went to school in Twin Falls. He worked at Longview Fiber for many years. He then worked in the construction trades.

Mark loved the outdoors. He especially loved to sturgeon fish on the Snake River. He said there never was a bigger thrill when you caught one.

Mark was also known to be a sharp pool player. He enjoyed reading all types of books.

Those who knew this big, gentle, bushy teddy bear knew they had a friend for life. He will be missed by all.

Mark is survived by his parents, Newton and Joyce Everett of Twin Falls; sister, Cindy Mitton of Spring Creek, Nev.; brothers, Dale

(Beth) Everett of Pittsburgh, Pa., and Art (Kay) Everett of Montana; and several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his grandparents, Tom and Alto Everett, and Dale and Wanda Wildman; and his brother-in-law, Don Mitton.

No services are planned. In lieu of flowers, please donate to the charity of your choice. Arrangements are under the direction of Reynolds Funeral Chapel of Twin Falls.

Please join his family and friends in a remembrance and celebration of Markie Newt from 3 until 5 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 5, at the South Hills Saloon.

For obituary rates and information, call 735-3266 Monday through Saturday. Deadline is 3 p.m. for next-day publication. The e-mail address for obituaries is obits@magicvalley.com. Death notices are a free service and can be placed until 4 p.m. every day. To view or submit obituaries online, or to place a message in an individual online guestbook, go to www.magicvalley.com and click on "Obituaries."

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Hopes fade in hunt for Brazil mudslide survivors

By Felipe Dana
Associated Press writer

ANGRA DOS REIS, Brazil — Firefighters using heavy machinery, shovels and bare hands dug for survivors Saturday but only found corpses under a mountain of red earth and crushed lodgings — the worst of a spate of mudslides and floods that killed at least 64 people in southeastern Brazil.

At least 26 people died in the New Year's Day slide that buried an upscale resort on the island of Ilha Grande, including the 18-year-old daughter of the couple who built the waterfront lodge at the foot of a cliff side covered with rain forest.

Authorities said no foreigners were known to be among the dead and there were few details about those who died.

A torrent of mud tore a 1,000-foot scar down the hill, pushing parts of the Pousada Sankay and three neighboring houses into the sea shortly after guests had retired to their rooms following New Year's Eve celebrations.

Minutes earlier on the mainland, a torrent of reddish mud cascaded into the Carioca slum in the nearby coastal city of Angra dos Reis, killing at least 13 people and reducing rickety



AP photo

Homes are covered in debris after a mudslide in Ilha Grande, an island off the city of Angra dos Reis near Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, Friday. A rain-soaked hillside collapsed on three houses and an upscale lodge after New Year celebrations, killing at least 26 people, according to Brazilian authorities.

shacks to rubble.

The dual mudslides early on New Year's Day were triggered by 10 inches of rain that drenched the region since Wednesday.

"We came to celebrate the New Year and then all this

sadness happened," Fernanda de Oliveira, a witness to the mudslide on Ilha Grande, told the O Globo newspaper.

Oliveira was staying in a house beside the Pousada Sankay when she heard a rumble in the middle

of the night.

"We couldn't see what was happening. It was raining hard and the water was leaking into our house," she told the newspaper. "Suddenly, we saw people in the sea and we went down to rescue them.

They were people staying in the pousada."

The lodge owners' daughter, Yumi Faraci, was apparently staying with friends she had invited for the holiday. Her parents, who were in another part of the building,

survived, the woman's uncle, Antonio Faraci, told the G1 news Web site.

Nearly 80 other mudslides have been reported throughout the region in recent days. Together with flooding, they have killed at least 64 people — 39 people on Ilha Grande and Angra dos Reis and another 22 people in other parts of Rio de Janeiro state. Among the dead are toddlers and teens, a pregnant woman and many older people, officials said.

Firefighters in Minas Gerais state said three elderly people died when a mudslide hit their home, the state-run Agencia Estado reported.

Another six people — all from the same family — were missing after a mudslide hit their house in the town of Cunha in Sao Paulo state, the Civil Defense there said.

Morgue authorities in Rio de Janeiro — where many bodies are being flown for identification — and Civil Defense authorities in Angra dos Reis have said all the identified victims are Brazilian. But they also say the death toll might double because many people remain missing.

In Angra dos Reis, 12 bodies from the two deadly mudslides were laid out in coffins in a school gymnasium for visitation by family and friends.

Remains of early 1900s plane found in Antarctica

By Tanalee Smith
Associated Press writer

ADELAIDE, Australia — Remains of the first airplane ever taken to Antarctica, in 1912, have been found by Australian researchers, the team announced Saturday.

The Mawson's Huts Foundation had been searching for the plane for three summers before stumbling upon metal pieces of it on New Year's Day.

"The biggest news of the day is that we've found the air tractor, or at least parts of it!" team member Tony Stewart wrote on the team's blog from Cape Denison in Antarctica's Commonwealth Bay.

Australian polar explorer and geologist Douglas Mawson led two expeditions to Antarctica in the early 1900s, on the first one bringing along a single-propeller Vickers plane. The wings of the plane, built in 1911, had

been damaged in a crash before the expedition, but Mawson hoped to use it as a kind of motorized sled.

Stewart said the 1911-14 Australian Antarctic Expedition used the plane to tow gear onto the ice in preparation for their sledging journeys.

But the plane's engine could not withstand the extreme temperatures and it was eventually abandoned.

The plane, the first from Britain's Vickers factory, had not been seen since the mid-1970s, when researchers photographed the steel fuselage nearly encompassed in ice.

The foundation — which works at Cape Denison to conserve the huts used by Mawson in his expeditions — believed the plane would still be where it was left by Mawson, near the huts and the harbor, which is covered in ice for most of the year.

Gloom, fury as Pakistan attack toll nears 100

SHAH HASAN KHEL, Pakistan (AP) — Tribal elders in a Pakistani village where a suicide car bomber killed nearly 100 people insisted Saturday that residents will keep defying the Taliban,

even as the bloodshed laid bare the risks facing the citizens' militias that make up a key piece of Pakistan's arsenal against extremism.

The New Year's Day attack on the northwest village of Shah Hasan Khel was one of the deadliest in a surge of bombings that has killed more than 600 across Pakistan since October. Police believe the attacker meant to detonate his 550 pounds of explosives at a meeting of tribesmen who supervise an anti-Taliban

militia. Instead, the blast went off at a nearby outdoor volleyball court, killing at least 96 people.

The explosion leveled some three dozen mud-brick homes and covered the village with dust, smoke and the smell of burning flesh. On Saturday, numerous homes received visitors offering condolences, and funeral prayers were held. Many of the residents in the village of 5,000, which lies near Pakistan's militant-filled tribal belt, were too scared to name any possible culprits, but others were defiant.

"The people are in severe grief and fear — it is a demoralizing thing," said Raham Dil Khan, a rifle-toting, 70-something member of the

tribal council. "We want the government to provide security, but one thing is very clear: The committee will stand against every type of terrorism and despite this great loss we will continue our work."

None of the elders at the gathering was killed. The 28-member council had been debating punishing relatives of militants suspected in the recent killing of a fellow tribal leader, Khan said.

Across Pakistan's northwest, where the police force is thin, underpaid and under-equipped, various villages and tribes have taken security into their own hands over the past two years by setting up citizen militias to fend off the Taliban.

The government has encouraged such "lashkars," and in some areas they have proven key to reducing militant activity. In the Bajaur tribal region, for instance, the militias helped turn the tide against militants during a 2008-09 army offensive. And in the northwest's Swat Valley, citizens have set up militias to prevent militants from staging a comeback as the army continues an offensive there.

The militia movement has its roots in ethnic Pashtun tribal traditions that go back generations and encourage vengeance. It has been compared to the largely successful U.S. efforts to persuade Sunni tribesmen to turn on al-Qaida in Iraq.

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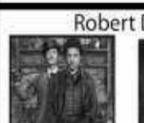
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Energized Odum leads CSI to win

Golden Eagles claw past Idaho Select

By Mike Christensen
Times-News writer

The wake-up calls have been plentiful for Chuck Odum.

Phone calls from family and friends disappointed by his play. A coaching staff frustrated by his lack of production. But the biggest realization came from within.

"Sometimes you've got to check yourself," said Odum. "I looked in the mirror and was like 'Chuck what are you doing?'"

What Odum was doing Saturday night was tallying 16 points, six rebounds and five assists in leading the College of Southern Idaho men's basketball team to an 89-78 win over Idaho Select, a team of former college players.

But the high-energy effort Odum displayed Saturday was sorely lacking in the early part of CSI's season.

While home in Lakewood, Calif., over the Christmas break, Odum sat down with his high school coach and watched film of his playing days at Mayfair High School.

"I watched game film of how hard I used to play and realized I don't do any of that anymore," said Odum.

Odum did plenty of it Saturday.

He scored five straight points to ignite a 16-0 CSI run in the first half, opening a 24-9 lead for the Golden Eagles, but his performance began more than 90 minutes before tip as he arrived at the gym early to get some shots up.

It's part of his vow to make the 2010 portion of his season better

than 2009.

As for Saturday's game, the hot-shooting Select team hit seven first-half 3-pointers and rallied to take a 42-36 lead into intermission.

CSI took the lead for good with 13:19 remaining when Odum raced down the floor on a fastbreak and bounced the ball through his legs to trailer Carrick Felix, who laid it home for a 55-53 lead.

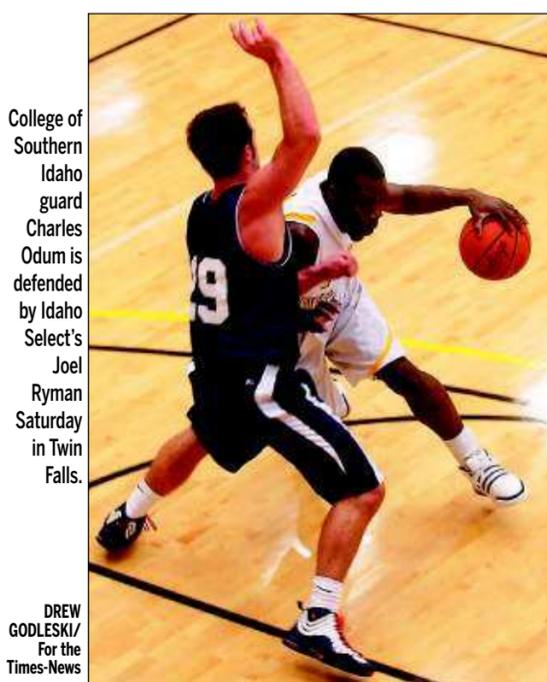
Felix hit three 3s in the second half and scored a game-high 22 points, while adding seven rebounds.

The Golden Eagles (11-5) built their lead to 15 on a 3-pointer by Dennis Mikelonis and did enough down the stretch to keep the cushion.

"We pulled it out," said Odum.

CSI head coach Steve Gosar said Odum and fellow sophomore Byago Diouf have stepped up of late, showing

See CSI, Sports 2



College of Southern Idaho guard Charles Odum is defended by Idaho Select's Joel Ryman Saturday in Twin Falls.

DREW GODLESKI/For the Times-News

Under center

Dual-threat Dalton leads the way for unbeaten TCU

By Dustin Lapray
Times-News correspondent

PHOENIX — Andy Dalton has been the starting quarterback at TCU since 2007, but in 2009 he blossomed into the offensive leader for the No. 3 Horned Frogs.

In Dalton's three years at the helm, his numbers progressively improved. His touchdown-to-interception ratio flipped completely (from 10 touchdowns to 11 interceptions in 2007 to 22 touchdowns and 5 picks this season), making him the No. 4-rated passer in the country.

The transformation has roots in Dalton's hard work, but he admits there's other factors.

"It's a little bit of me getting many guys into the offense, but it's also play-calling," Dalton said. "They put us in a good situation to get guys the ball. We have so many guys who can do good things with it. My job is just to get them the ball."

Dalton has also seen his



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rushing numbers steadily increase, reaching 522 this season. He's run for 16 touchdowns in three seasons. Learning when to run has been an integral part of Dalton's maturation process.

"He's just a year older," TCU co-offensive coordinator and quarterbacks coach Justin Fuente said. "He moves around better. He's stronger. We don't want him to carry the ball 30 times a game by any means, but when he is called upon to carry it, we like him to do a

See DALTON, Sports 4 TCU quarterback Andy Dalton (14) has led the Horned Frogs to 40 points per game in 2009.



Courtesy TCU



Courtesy BSU

Boise State quarterback Kellen Moore is 25-1 as a starter.

The standard of efficiency: Broncos' Moore almost always on target

By Dustin Lapray
Times-News correspondent

PHOENIX — It may be better known for gadgets and trickery, but the Boise State offense is complex. Not only has sophomore Kellen Moore mastered the complicated scheme, he's expanded its thick playbook.

Moore threw for a school-record 39 touchdowns and just three interceptions, topping the nation in passing efficiency. The touchdown numbers are great for Moore, but at media day in Arizona, he couldn't remember how many he'd thrown. He's

more focused on the picks — or lack thereof.

"Seeing that I've made progressions, that's something I'm proud of, (limiting) the turnovers," Moore said. "I'm just feeling more comfortable and relaxed in the situation, being able to progress some last year and finding some things that I didn't do as well my freshman year."

Moore is 25-1 as a starter. Much like his counterpart at TCU, Andy Dalton, Moore's performance on the field led to numerous national accolades.

The Associated Press named

Moore a Third-Team All-American. He was the Western Athletic Conference Offensive Player of the Year. Last season he was the WAC Freshman of the Year and set the record for completion percentage for a freshman at 69.4 percent. He threw for five touchdown passes in three games this season. He finished seventh in the Heisman Trophy voting.

"Kellen Moore is outstanding," Dalton said. "He's done some good things. We've made pretty good decisions this year. If you're making good decisions it's easier to win games and we're both undefeated."

Moore and Boise State offensive coordinator Bryan Harsin convene after every offensive drive. Sometimes they disagree on how a play should be carried out, but Harsin said when they later look at film, he finds that Moore almost always made the right call.

"Kellen spends so much time preparing himself," Harsin said. "If there's something in the game that's wrong, I might see it differently and he's out there playing and we're talking on the phone and questioning it. Then I go look

See MOORE, Sports 4

Declo boys holds off Filer for nonconference win

By Ryan Howe
Times-News writer

DECLO — All indicators suggested Saturday night's nonconference boys basketball matchup between Declo and Filer would be a shootout.

After all, Declo averaged 88 points in its final two games prior to the holiday break. Filer, meanwhile, had knocked down a combined 24 3-pointers the last two times it took the floor.

Although the teams didn't showcase that much firepower, they certainly didn't disappoint,

as the back-and-forth battle ended in a nail-biting 65-62 Hornets victory.

Tyler Briggs pounded inside the paint for 19 points, and Dane Janak scored 13 including four 3-pointers to pace Declo, which improved to 5-2 with its first win of 2010.

"This is the important stretch of games to get into a rhythm and to get confidence," said Declo coach Dee Lewis. "Tonight's game was a good one for us because it got down to every possession in the second half became important, offensively and defensively."

After Filer led 52-47 heading into the fourth quarter, Declo came back to take a one-point advantage with under a minute to play.

The Wildcats had their chances. Justin Orban, who finished with 14 points, missed an opportunity to take the lead back with a wide-open lay-up with 30 seconds remaining. Bryce Beard, who also finished with 14, had his 3-pointer rim out with seven seconds left on the clock.

"Everybody wants to point to those possessions down the stretch, but if you take care of

business in the first 30 minutes, those possessions aren't as magnified," said Filer coach Alex Wells.

Indeed, in a game that saw huge momentum swings, the outcome could have been altered as early as the first quarter, when Declo jumped out to an 11-point lead.

See DECLO, Sports 2

Declo High's Jeremy Jenkins drives to the hoop as Filer's Cassidy Babb defends on Saturday.

RYAN HOWE/Times-News



Twin Falls boys move to 7-1 with road win over Highland

Times-News

Jon Pulsifer scored 17 and Justin Pedersen added 11 as the Twin Falls boys basketball team moved to 7-1 with a 55-41 win at Highland on Saturday.

The Bruins outscored their hosts 28-10 in the middle quarters to build a lead that was hardly threatened the rest of the way.

"It took us a little bit to get our Christmas legs underneath us," Twin Falls assistant coach Shaun Walker said. "One thing we found out that we really like is that we proved we could play fast earlier in the season. Highland really slowed it down, was pretty methodical, and we proved we could play that way too. It was nice to see."

Pulsifer rose to the occasion in the team's first game back from the winter break.

"Jon was really aggressive tonight, which is good to see," Walker said. "I was a little worried that coming off the year he had last year he'd really try to take over game

and force things, and he's really been the opposite. Tonight really reminded me of how he played last season." Twin Falls is at Burley on Wednesday.

Twin Falls 55, Highland 41

Twin Falls 13 12 16 14 - 55
Highland 18 3 7 13 - 41

TWIN FALLS (65)
Jon Pulsifer 17, Justin Pedersen 11, Marcus Jardine 10, Brennan Lancaster 9, Ryan Petersen 6, Eric Harr 2, Totals 19 15-18 55.

HIGHLAND (40)
Nielson 2, T. Manu 3, Mower 9, Hansen 6, Hartman 8, Carter 4, Ashby 2, A. Manu 7, Totals 17 4-9 41.

3-point goals: Twin Falls 2 (Jardine, Lancaster), Highland 3 (T. Manu, A. Manu, Hartman). Total fouls: Twin Falls 12, Highland 15. Fouled out: none. Technical fouls: none.

DIETRICH 59, HANSEN 47

Dietrich and Hansen combined for more than 50 turnovers in the first game back after the Christmas break as the Blue Devils pulled out the 59-47 win over the Huskies.

"It was a pretty loose game," said Dietrich coach Wayne Dill.

Kolton Hubert led Dietrich with 11 points, while Andrew Rocha and Dion Norman each had seven rebounds. Jay Liu dished out five assists.

Hansen (2-6, 0-1) is at Shoshone and Dietrich (4-1, 2-0) hosts

Carey on Tuesday.

Dietrich 59, Hansen 47

Hansen 9 13 12 13 - 47
Dietrich 13 15 16 15 - 59

HANSEN (47)
Laton Stanger 6, Caleb Lehmann 10, Gage Simpson 4, Pete Veenstra 6, Garret Lewis 2, Kevin Fuller 13, Nathan Wilcken 6, Totals 19 14-47.

DIETRICH (59)
Jay Liu 7, Dylan Perron 2, Alex Heimerdinger 4, Dion Norman 15, Kolton Hubert 11, Brant McDaniel 2, Andrew Rocha 9, Walter Hansen 9, Totals 26 6-15 59.

3-point goals: Hansen 1 (Lehman), Dietrich 1 (Rocha). Total fouls: Hansen 15, Dietrich 18. Fouled out: none. Technical fouls: none.

COLE VALLEY CHRISTIAN 56, WENDELL 41

Turnovers doomed Wendell as the Trojans lost 56-41 at Cole Valley Christian Saturday in Boise. Cole Valley led 26-25 at the break, but cruised in the second half.

"At the start of the fourth quarter we made a rash of turnovers and they pulled away from us," said Wendell coach Loyd Garey.

Gary Koopman was the only Wendell player in double figures, scoring a game-high 18 points.

Wendell (3-4, 1-1 Sawtooth Central Idaho Conference) travels to Valley on Wednesday.

Cole Valley Christian 56, Wendell 41

Wendell 13 12 6 10 - 41
Cole Valley Christian 12 14 12 18 - 56

WENDELL (41)
Cody Prince 9, Nolan Stouder 8, Nathan Ormand 4, Gary Koopman 18, Michael Wright 2, Totals 17 5-10 41.

COLE VALLEY CHRISTIAN (56)
Thomas 7, Feil 12, Jardine 14, Vanderweil 7, Ray 10, Westendorf 6, Totals 24 6-6 56.

3-point goals: Wendell 2 (Koopman, Prince), Cole Valley Christian 2 (Ray, Thomas). Total fouls: Wendell 12, Cole Valley Christian 13. Fouled out: None. Technical fouls: none.

Girls basketball

VALLEY 46, SHOSHONE 40

Alyssa Henry scored 19 to lead Valley to a 46-40 win at Shoshone on Saturday evening.

The Vikings (4-7) hit 8 of 9 from the foul line in the final period, holding on to a lead they earned with a 12-2 scoring edge in the second quarter.

"In the second quarter they played good defense, but we just had a lot of shots go in and out," said Shoshone coach Tim Chapman. "We were 1-for-12 that quarter, and you just can't do that."

Kelcie Hutchins scored 17 for the Indians (8-4), who host Hansen at 6 p.m., Tuesday.

Valley 46, Shoshone 40

Valley 9 12 8 17 - 46
Shoshone 14 2 13 11 - 40

VALLEY (46)
Valerie Lickley 16, Dacia Hunter 3, Alyssa Henry 19, Conny Chaires 8, Totals 16 11-34 46.

SHOSHONE (40)
Kelcie Hutchins 17, Taylor Astle 2, Lacey Kniep 6, Kylee Stein 4, Michelle Aoi 6, Jennica Kermer 5, Totals 16 3-6 40.

3-point goals: Valley 3 (Henry 3), Shoshone 5 (Hutchins 2, Kniep 2, Kermer). Total fouls: Valley 8, Shoshone 17. Fouled out: Shoshone, Astle. Technical fouls: none.

DIETRICH 67, HANSEN 44

Shayla Porter had 15 points and Nakia Norman and Moriah Dill each tossed in 13 as the Blue Devils rolled past the Huskies 67-44.

Dori Lockwood led all scorers with 17 points and Shelbie Hancock added 13 for the Huskies (5-6, 2-1 Snake River South).

Hansen (9-1) is at Shoshone, while Dietrich (2-0 Northside Conference) hosts Carey on Tuesday.

Dietrich 67, Hansen 44

Hansen 13 9 9 13 - 44
Dietrich 14 13 19 21 - 67

HANSEN (44)
Dori Lockwood 17, Mickellen Barber 2, Hannah Stanger 5, Shawnee Higgins 7, Shelbie Hancock 13, Totals 16 10-15 44.

DIETRICH (67)
Jessica Perron 6, Nakia Norman 13, Ellie Dalton 6, Shayla Porter 15, Kelci Dalton 4, Moriah Dill 13, Halie Stoddard 2, Dayna Phillips 8, Totals 27 9-14 67.

3-point goals: Hansen 2 (Lockwood 2), Dietrich 4 (Norman 2, Perron 2). Total fouls: Hansen 13, Dietrich 17. Fouled out: none. Technical fouls: none.

FILER 35, GOODING 33

Filer picked up its first Sawtooth Central Idaho

Conference win with a 35-33 road victory over Gooding.

"For the most part we played our best defense of the season," said Filer coach Toby Gleave. "We panicked a little in the fourth quarter and gave the ball to them. We were rushing a little on offense and trying to move the ball too quickly.

"Gooding did a good job of putting the pressure on us."

Filer was led by Taylor Twitchell with 11 points, including three 3-pointers. Natalie Hughes posted 10 points and six boards and Sierra Koyle had four steals.

For the Senators, Angela Vitek scored 11 and Brittany Wirth added 10.

Filer (4-7, 1-3) hosts Buhl on Thursday.

Gooding (7-3, 1-3) is at Kimberly on Friday.

Filer 35, Gooding 33

Filer 6 11 11 7 - 35
Gooding 5 5 5 18 - 33

FILER (35)
Brandie White 3, Charmaine Weatherly 3, Taylor Twitchell 11, Sierra Koyle 2, Taylor Oyler 4, Kenzie Kaster 2, Natalie Hughes 10, Totals 13 6-9 35.

GOODING (33)
Angela Vitek 11, Kourtney Agenbroad 6, Mackenzie Stevens 2, Danielle Baker 4, Brittany Wirth 10, Totals 11 2-11 33.

3-point goals: Filer 3 (Twitchell 3), Total fouls: Filer 18, Gooding 10. Fouled out: Filer, Hughes. Technical fouls: none.

Lawson, Nuggets top Jazz

SALT LAKE CITY — Ty Lawson had 23 points and nine assists and the Denver Nuggets ended a three-game losing streak despite playing without injured stars Carmelo Anthony and Chauncey Billups, beating the Utah Jazz 105-95 on Saturday night

The Nuggets compensated for missing such a huge chunk of their offense with gritty defense, forcing Utah into a season-high 26 turnovers.

Nene added 22 points and Kenyon Martin finished with 12 points and 12 rebounds for Denver.

Carlos Boozer had 18 points and 10 rebounds to lead the Jazz, who compounded their own struggles with a bad night at the free throw line and forcing up outside shots.

SPURS 97, WIZARDS 86

WASHINGTON — Tim Duncan scored 23 points and reserve Roger Mason Jr. added a season-high 20 to lead the San Antonio Spurs.

Tony Parker had 12 points for the Spurs, whose five-game winning streak matches a season high. San Antonio has won four straight on the road and nine in a row against the Wizards.

CAVALIERS 94, NETS 86

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. — LeBron James had 28 points, nine rebounds and seven assists to lead Cleveland to its seventh straight victory.

Mo Williams added 18 points for the Cavaliers, who have won 12 of 13, and Anderson Varejao had 15 points and 12 rebounds. Shaquille O'Neal finished with 12 points and nine boards.

CELTICS 103, RAPTORS 96

BOSTON — Ray Allen scored 23 points, Rasheed Wallace added 16 and Boston won despite missing three starters because of injuries.

Paul Pierce, Kevin Garnett and Rajon Rondo all sat out, but Tony Allen had 14 points, seven assists and five rebounds, Glen Davis chipped in 15 points, and Kendrick Perkins had 14 points and 10 rebounds for Boston.

BULLS 101, MAGIC 93

CHICAGO — Derrick Rose scored 30 points to lead five players in double figures and help Chicago to its season-high fourth straight win.

John Salmons scored 15 points, Luol Deng added 14, Taj Gibson had 10 points and 12 rebounds and Kirk Hinrich scored 11 points for the Bulls.

GRIZZLIES 128, SUNS 103

PHOENIX — O.J. Mayo had 25 points and reserve Sam Young added a career-high 22 to help Memphis to its most lopsided victory of the season.

Marc Gasol scored 19 points for the Grizzlies, Zach Randolph had 18 points and 11 rebounds, Rudy Gay scored 16 points,



AP photo

Denver Nuggets guard Ty Lawson (3) goes up for the shot against Utah Jazz center Mehmet Okur Saturday in Salt Lake City.

and rookie Hasheem Thabeet had 10.

HORNETS 99, ROCKETS 95

NEW ORLEANS — Chris Paul had 28 points and nine assists and New Orleans closed the game on a 13-2 run.

Emeka Okafor had 14 points and 16 rebounds, and David West added 14 points, including a jumper that gave the Hornets the lead for good with 47.6 seconds left after they trailed by seven late in the fourth quarter.

BOBCATS 107, HEAT 97

MIAMI — Stephen Jackson scored 13 of his season-high 35 points in the fourth quarter, D.J. Augustin added all 13 of his in the final 11 minutes and Charlotte won a road game for just the second time this season.

Jackson shot 11 of 20 from the floor and added eight rebounds for Charlotte, which erased an early 19-point deficit and improved to 2-14 away from home.

PACERS 122, TIMBERWOLVES 111

INDIANAPOLIS — Roy Hibbert and Luther Head each scored 21 points to help Indiana snap an eight-game losing streak.

Brandon Rush scored 16 points and Mike Dunleavy added 15 points and eight rebounds for the Pacers, who played without injured forwards Troy Murphy and Tyler Hansbrough.

BUCKS 103, THUNDER 97, OT

MILWAUKEE — Michael Redd scored six of his 27 points in overtime to help Milwaukee snap a four-game losing streak.

Andrew Bogut had 23 points and 15 rebounds for the Bucks, who ended Oklahoma City's win streak at five games.

— The Associated Press

Broncos blow lead, fall at Fresno State

FRESNO, Calif. — Former College of Southern Idaho star Daequon Montreal scored 24 points, but Boise State couldn't hold a lead it enjoyed most of the game, falling 71-68 at Fresno State on Saturday in the Western Athletic Conference opener for both teams.

Boise State (9-5, 0-1) led by eight at halftime, with Montreal scoring 11 points in the first half. But the Broncos were undone in the second half and succumbed to defeat when a 3-point bid with less than 10 seconds to go fell short.

Paul George scored 21 for the Bulldogs (8-7, 1-0).

UTAH 61, LSU 59

BATON ROUGE, La. — Carlon Brown hit a game-winning 3-pointer with 1:11 remaining, as Utah rallied from a 12-point second-half deficit.

Luka Drca led the Utes (7-7) with 14 points and Brown added 12.

BYU 95, EASTERN NEW MEXICO 49

PROVO, Utah — Michael Loyd Jr. scored 17 points off the bench to help BYU defeat Division II Eastern New Mexico.

Loyd scored 10 points in a 17-4 run late in the first half as the Cougars (14-1) built a 57-27 halftime lead.

The Cougars won for the ninth straight time despite playing without their two leading scorers, Jimmer Fredette (strep throat) and Jackson Emery (bruised heel).

WEBER STATE 64, MONTANA 56

OGDEN, Utah — Damian Lillard scored a career-high 30 points as Weber State

beat Montana.

Lillard's biggest shot of the game came in the closing minutes when he hit a 3-pointer with 1:40 left to break a 54-54 tie. He then gave the Wildcats (9-6, 3-0 Big Sky) a 59-54 lead with a layup with 39 seconds left.

TOP 25

NO. 1 KANSAS 84, NO. 18 TEMPLE 52

PHILADELPHIA — Freshman Xavier Henry had 15 points and Marcus Morris had a big homecoming with 13 as No. 1 Kansas snapped the Owls' seven-game winning streak.

Sherron Collins scored 14 points for the Jayhawks (13-0), who have won nine games this season by at least 25 points. Their lead reached that in this one with 9:25 to go when Marcus Morris' layup made it 60-35.

NO. 2 TEXAS 76, TEXAS A&M-CORPUS CHRISTI 70

AUSTIN, Texas — Dexter Pittman scored 18 points and Texas stayed undefeated with a tougher-than-expected win over scrappy Texas A&M-Corpus Christi.

Damion James got his fourth consecutive double-double for the cold-shooting Longhorns (13-0) with 14 points and 10 rebounds.

NO. 3 KENTUCKY 71, LOUISVILLE 62

LEXINGTON, Ky. — DeMarcus Cousins scored 18 points and matched a season high with 18 rebounds to lead Kentucky past rival Louisville.

Patrick Patterson and John Wall added 17 points each for the Wildcats (15-0), who matched their best start in 40 years by breaking a two-game losing streak to

the Cardinals.

PITTSBURGH 82, NO. 5 SYRACUSE 72

SYRACUSE, N.Y. — Ashton Gibbs scored 24 points, Jermaine Dixon added 21 and Pittsburgh handed Syracuse its first loss of the season.

NO. 8 VILLANOVA 74, MARQUETTE 72

MILWAUKEE — Scottie Reynolds hit a jumper in the lane with 18.1 seconds left to help Villanova win its Big East opener Saturday.

Reynolds scored 23 points, including 16 in the second half, and reserve Maalik Wayns added 16 points for the Wildcats (12-1, 1-0).

NO. 10 CONNECTICUT 82, NOTRE DAME 70

HARTFORD, Conn. — Stanley Robinson had 22 points and a career-high 16 rebounds to lead Connecticut to its first Big East win of the season.

NO. 11 MICHIGAN STATE 91, NO. 25 NORTHWESTERN 70

EVANSTON, Ill. — Kalin Lucas scored 15 of his 21 points in the second half and No. 11 Michigan State pulled away.

OREGON 90, NO. 17 WASHINGTON 79

SEATTLE — Malcolm Armstead scored 21 points, Michael Dunnigan added 20 and Oregon snapped Washington's 18-game home winning streak.

NO. 24 UAB 73, ARKANSAS 72

FAYETTEVILLE, Ark. — Howard Crawford scored on a dunk off an inbound play with 1 second left, lifting Alabama-Birmingham to the victory.

— The Associated Press

CSI

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an ability to guard on the defensive end and get to the basket on offense.

"They're playing with a lot of confidence," said Gosar. "That kind of effort is infectious."

That was true after intermission as CSI displayed team-wide focus on defense, holding Idaho Select to 31-percent shooting. The visitors wound up 11-for-45 from 3-point range.

"Thank heavens the second half we came out and guarded them," said Gosar.

CSI big men Kenny Buckner and Romario Souza were both perfect from the field, Buckner 6-for-6 and Souza 5-for-5 in scoring 12 and 10 points, respectively. Mikelonis and Pierre Jackson also scored 10 for the Eagles.

The bad news of the night came 10:39 left as Souza went down with an inside ankle sprain that leaves him questionable for next week's Scenic West Athletic Conference games at No. 3 North Idaho College (13-2, 4-2 SWAC).

"We'll keep our fingers crossed," said Gosar. "We're awfully thin in the post."



DREW GODLESKI/For the Times-News

CSI forward Carrick Felix shoots over Idaho Select defenders Saturday.

Idaho Select got 19 points and eight rebounds from former Oregon Tech player Alex Carlson, while Kevin Baker (Oregon Tech) had 14 points and six boards. Chris Allen (Lewis-Clark State) scored 11, Clint Hordeman (Boise State) had 10 and Justin Brown (Walla Walla CC) added nine points and 10 rebounds.

"All five guys know how to pass, dribble and shoot," Gosar said of Select. "They can carve you up like a

Christmas ham."

But on Saturday, the carving belonged to Odum, who repeatedly slashed to the rim for key baskets.

Notes: CSI guard Antonio Owens did not play Saturday and will likely be held out at NIC. Gosar said Owens returned a day late from the holiday break and violated team rules upon returning.

CSI 89, Idaho Select 78

IDAHO SELECT (78)
Joel Ryman 3-10 0-0 0, Chris Allen 4-13 0-1 11, Clint Hordeman 4-8 2-2 10, Kevin Baker 6-16 1-2 14, Justin McCarthy 3-9 0-0 7, Justin Brown 3-10 0-0 9, Adam Shildmeyer 0-3 0-0 0, Keegan Cook 0-2 0-0 0, Alex Carlson 6-9 6-10 19, Totals 29-80 9-15 78.

CSI (89)
Carrick Felix 8-14 3-7 22, Dennis Mikelonis 3-5 3-4 10, Pierre Jackson 2-7 6-8 10, Romario Souza 5-5 0-0 10, Charles Odum 5-9 5-7 16, DJ Stennis 0-3 2-2 2, Byago Douf 0-2 0-0 0, Christian Parker 0-0 0-0 0, Justin Thomas 3-8 1-3 7, Kenny Buckner 6-6 0-1 12, Totals 32-59 20-32 89.

Halftime: Idaho Select 42, CSI 36. 3-point goals: Select 11-45 (Ryman 2-7, Allen 3-11, Hordeman 0-2, Baker 1-6, McCarthy 1-7, Brown 3-8, Shildmeyer 0-2, Cook 0-1, Carlson 1-1); CSI 15-45 (Felix 3-5, Mikelonis 1-2, Odum 1-2, Stennis 0-3, Douf 0-1, Thomas 0-1). Rebounds: Select 47 (Brown 10); CSI 42 (Felix, Thomas 7). Assists: Select 17 (McCarthy 6); CSI 18 (Stennis 6). Turnovers: Select 15; CSI 17. Total fouls: Select 15; CSI 17. Fouled out: Select, Ryman, Hordeman.

Declo

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Filer (4-2) used a 12-0 run to close the second quarter, giving the Wildcats a 28-26 halftime edge.

"(Filer) started trapping on the sidelines and getting steals and we lost their shooters in transition and they were getting better shots than us," said Janak.

With Declo keying on Filer's outside shooters, the Wildcats took advantage with easy dribble penetration in the third quarter. Cassidy Babb was a big spark off the bench for Filer, scoring 11 points.

"We tried to close out on their shooters and keep Beard from breaking us down, because he's a good dribbler and can get to the basket," said Janak.

Filer plays at Buhl on Tuesday, while Declo travels to Buhl on Wednesday.

Declo 65, Filer 62

Filer 8 20 24 10 - 62
Declo 19 7 21 18 - 65

FILER (62)
Matt Ramseyer 6, Bryce Beard 14, Ryan Karel 3, Cassidy Babb 11, Cody Reynolds 5, Terrell Bailey 5, Andrew Wright 2, Justin Orban 14, Jed Oyler 2, Totals 25 5-

SCOREBOARD

BASKETBALL

NBA All Times MST EASTERN				
ATLANTIC	W	L	Pct	GB
Boston	24	8	.750	-
Toronto	16	18	.471	9
New York	13	20	.394	11½
Philadelphia	9	23	.281	15
New Jersey	3	30	.091	21½

SOUTHEAST	W	L	Pct	GB
Orlando	24	9	.727	-
Atlanta	21	11	.656	2½
Miami	16	15	.516	7
Charlotte	13	18	.419	10
Washington	10	21	.323	13

CENTRAL	W	L	Pct	GB
Cleveland	27	8	.771	-
Chicago	14	17	.452	11
Milwaukee	13	18	.419	12
Detroit	13	21	.344	14½
Indiana	10	22	.313	15½

SOUTHWEST	W	L	Pct	GB
Dallas	22	10	.688	-
San Antonio	20	14	.588	1½
Houston	20	14	.588	3
Memphis	16	16	.500	6
New Orleans	15	16	.484	6½

NORTHWEST	W	L	Pct	GB
Denver	21	12	.636	-
Portland	12	13	.618	½
Oklahoma City	18	15	.543	3
Utah	18	15	.543	3
Minnesota	7	28	.200	15

3-Point Goals—Cleveland 4-14 (Parker 1-2, Gibson 1-2, James 1-4, M.Williams 1-5, West 0-1), New Jersey 3-10 (Harris 1-2, W 1-2, Booding 1-3, Douglis-Roberts 0-1, Lee 0-2). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Cleveland 59 (Varejao 12), New Jersey 50 (N 8), Assists—Cleveland 19 (James 7), New Jersey 15 (Harris 6). Total Fouls—Cleveland 24, New Jersey 24. Technicals—New Jersey defensive three second. A-17,569 (18,974).

WESTERN				
SOUTHWEST	W	L	Pct	GB
Dallas	22	10	.688	-
San Antonio	20	14	.588	1½
Houston	20	14	.588	3
Memphis	16	16	.500	6
New Orleans	15	16	.484	6½

NORTHWEST	W	L	Pct	GB
Denver	21	12	.636	-
Portland	12	13	.618	½
Oklahoma City	18	15	.543	3
Utah	18	15	.543	3
Minnesota	7	28	.200	15

PACIFIC				
W	L	Pct	GB	
L.A. Lakers	26	6	.813	-
Phoenix	21	13	.618	6
L.A. Clippers	14	18	.438	12
Sacramento	14	18	.438	12
Golden State	12	29	.290	16½

Friday's Games
 New York 112, Atlanta 94
 Orlando 106, Minnesota 97
 L.A. Lakers 109, Sacramento 108

Saturday's Games
 Cleveland 94, New Jersey 86
 Charlotte 107, Miami 97
 Indiana 122, Minnesota 111
 San Antonio 97, Washington 86
 Boston 103, Toronto 96
 Chicago 101, Orlando 93
 New Orleans 99, Houston 95
 Milwaukee 103, Oklahoma City 97, OT
 Denver 105, Utah 95
 Memphis 128, Phoenix 103
 Dallas at Sacramento, late
 Golden State at Portland, late

Sunday's Games
 Indiana at New York, 4 p.m.
 Charlotte at Cleveland, 4 p.m.
 San Antonio at Toronto, 4 p.m.
 Philadelphia at Denver, 6 p.m.
 Dallas at L.A. Lakers, 7:30 p.m.

NBA Boxes

NUGGETS 105, JAZZ 95
 Denver 73-127, Martin 6-12 0-2 12, Nene 9-13 4-5 22, Lawson 9-14 4-5 23, Afflalo 4-8 2-13, Smith 7-19 3-5 18, Andersen 2-4 2-6, Carter 2-5 0-0 4, Totals 42-82 6-23 103

UTAH (95)
 Miles 3-6 0-0 7, Boozer 8-15 2-2 18, Okur 4-10 6-7 16, Williams 6-10 4-4 16, Brewer 4-8 2-10, Kirilenko 3-6 3-4 9, Millsap 4-6 0-0 8, Price 2-5 1-4 5, Matthews 2-5 2-2, Fesenko 0-0 0-0 0, Totals 36-71 20-27 95

Denver 28 27 27 105
 3-Point Goals—Denver 5-13, Lawson 1-1, Smith 1-8, Carter 0-1, Utah 3-12 (Okur 2-5, Miles 1-3, Price 0-1, Williams 0-1, Matthews 0-2). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Denver 37 (Martin 12), Utah 50 (Boozer 10), Assists—Denver 23 (Lawson 9), Utah 20 (Williams 6). Total Fouls—Denver 25, Utah 22. A-19,911 (19,911).

BUCKS 103, THUNDER 97, OT
 Oklahoma City 67-97
 Durant 12-24 6-7 31, Green 3-11 2-2 8, Krstic 2-5 0-0 4, Westbrook 6-16 5-8 17, Selolotsha 4-6 1-9, Collison 2-4 4-4 8, Harden 1-4 1-2 3, Maynor 3-9 1-2 8, Ibaka 3-5 3-5 9, Totals 36-84 23-31 97

MILWAUKEE (103)
 Mbach a Moute 2-8 1-2 6, Iyavosa 4-12 0-0 8, Bogut 9-17 5-23, Jennings 4-15 5-13, Reid 12-23 0-1 27, K.Homes 0-2 0-0 0, Warrick 5-15 4-14, Rindour 6-11 0-0 12, Bell 0-2 0-0 0, Meeks 0-1 0-0 0, Totals 42-106 15-19 103

Oklahoma City 20-20 15 9- 97
 Milwaukee 23 25 27 15- 103
 3-Point Goals—Oklahoma City 2-14 (Maynor 1-3, Durant 1-4, Selofotsha 0-1, Westbrook 0-1, Green 0-2, Harden 0-3), Milwaukee 4-17 (Reid 3-7, Mbach a Moute 1-1, Rindour 0-1, Bell 0-1, Jennings 0-3, Iyavosa 0-4). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Oklahoma City 58 (Selofotsha, Westbrook 9), Milwaukee 66 (Bogut 15), Assists—Oklahoma City 23 (Westbrook 13), Milwaukee 15 (Jennings 5). Total Fouls—Oklahoma City 23, Milwaukee 27. A-15,264 (18,717).

GRIZZLES 120, SUNS 103
 Memphis 128
 Gay 6-21 2-2 16, Randolph 9-16 0-0 18, Gasol 8-10 3-7 19, Conley 2-3 1-6, Mayo 10-16 11-25, Tinsley 2-4 2-6, Thabeet 5-7 0-0 10, Young 6-11 9-22, Carroll 0-3 0-0 0, Williams 2-2 0-0 0, Hunter 1-2 0-0 2, Haddadi 0-1 0-0 0, Totals 51-96 18-25 128.

PHOENIX (103)
 Hill 3-5 0-0 7, Stoudemire 11-15 7-9 29, Frye 2-13 0-0 4, Nash 8-15 1-19, Richardson 2-7 0-0 15, Udou 1-3 0-0 2, Lopez 0-2 0-0 0, Dragic 5-9 2-13, Amundson 5-10 4-5 14, Barbosa 1-4 4-4 6, Clark 2-5 0-0 4, Totals 40-89 18-24 103

Memphis 33 36 31 28 - 103
 Phoenix 29 21 26 27 - 103
 3-Point Goals—Memphis 8-15 (Mayo 4-5, Gay 2-5, Young 1-1, Conley 1-2, Tinsley 0-2, Phoenix 5-18 (Nash 2-4, Hill 1-1, Dragic 1-1, Richardson 1-5, Barbosa 0-1, Dudley 0-1, Frye 0-5). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Memphis 64 (Randolph 11), Phoenix 42 (Amundson 7), Assists—Memphis 25 (Conley 7), Phoenix 25 (Nash 13). Total Fouls—Memphis 20, Phoenix 21. Technicals—Memphis defensive three second, Phoenix Coach Gentry. A-17,135 (18,422).

BOBCATS 107, HEAT 97
 Charlotte 107
 Wallace 3-11 9-11 15, Diaw 3-7 3-4 9, Mohammed 4-4 2-10, Felton 3-8 3-9, Jackson 11-20 9-9 35, Diop 0-0 0-0 0, Brown 3-4 0-0 0, Murray 3-5 2-2 9, Augustin 5-7 0-0 13, Graham 0-1 0-0 0, Totals 35-67 28-31 107

MIAMI (97)
 Richardson 7-15 0-0 20, Beasley 6-11 2-3 14, O'Neal 3-10 0-0 6, Arroyo 1-4 1-3, Wade 9-17 7-29, Wright 1-3 1-3, Haslem 5-8 3-4 13, Chalmers 2-3 0-0 4, Cook 1-4 0-0 3, Anthony 1-1 0-0 2, Totals 36-78 16-19 97

Charlotte 17 32 24 34 - 107
 Miami 10 16 26 25 - 97
 3-Point Goals—Charlotte 9-17 (Jackson 4-7, Augustin 3-4, Murray 1-1, Brown 1-1, Felton 0-2, Wallace 0-2), Miami 11-24 (Richardson 6-12, Wade 4-8, Cook 1-4). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Charlotte 37 (Wallace, Jackson 8), Miami 42 (Haskell 10), Assists—Charlotte 19 (Felton 6), Miami 23 (Wade 11), Total Fouls—Charlotte 18, Miami 23. Technicals—Charlotte defensive three second, Wade. A-17,856 (19,600).

CAVALIERS 94, NETS 86
 Cleveland 94
 James 7-16 13-18, Hickson 2-9 0-0 0, O'Neal 4-11 4-7 12, M.Williams 7-14 3-18, Parker 1-6 3-6 6, Varejao 7-13 1-15, Iguassua 23-22 6, West 1-4 0-0 2, Jackson 0-0 0-0 0, Gibson 1-3 0-0 3, Williams 0-1 0-0 0, Jackson 0-0 0-0 0, Totals 32-81 26-33 94

COLLEGE FOOTBALL

BULLS 101, MAGIC 93
 Orlando 93
 Barnes 7-14 4-4 23, Lewis 2-9 1-27, Howard 3-7 3-8 9, Nelson 5-13 0-0 10, Carter 3-15 2-8, Williams 1-4 0-0 3, Redick 4-8 0-0 11, Anderson 4-11 2-12, Pietrus 3-9 1-8, Grant 1-2 0-0 2, Totals 39-92 13-20 93

Chicago (101)
 Deng 5-14 4-14, Gibson 4-11 2-2 10, Noah 2-4 5-6 9, Rose 11-23 8-10 30, Hinrich 4-9 1-11, Salmmons 5-9 4-4 15, Miller 3-7 0-0 6, Thomas 3-7 0-0 6, Johnson 0-3 0-0 0, Totals 37-87 24-27 101

Orlando 29 19 24 21 - 93
 Chicago 29 26 32 17 - 101
 3-Point Goals—Orlando 14-37 (Barnes 5-6, Redick 3-6, Anderson 2-5, Lewis 2-6, Williams 1-2, Pietrus 1-2, Nelson 0-3, Carter 0-4), Chicago 3-5 (Hinrich 2-3, Salmmons 1, Deng 0-1). Fouled Out—Barnes, Rebounds—Orlando 58 (Howard 12), Chicago 61 (Gibson 12), Assists—Orlando 19 (Nelson 10), Chicago 21 (Deng 7). Total Fouls—Orlando 23, Chicago 22. A-21,162 (20,917).

CENTICS 103, RAPTORS 86
 Toronto 96
 Turkoglu 4-9 3-5 12, Bosh 11-15 3-4 25, Bargnani 8-15 3-7 20, O'Leary 1-2 1-4, DeRozan 1-1 1-2 3, Wright 0-0 0-0 0, Weems 2-2 2 6, Belinelli 2-6 0-0 5, Johnson 1-2 3-4 5, Banks 1-4 2-2 5, Nesterovic 0-0 0-0 0, Mensah-Bonsu 0-1 0-0 0, Totals 35-71 18-25 96

Boston (103)
 R.Allen 8-13 6-7 23, Wallace 6-11 2-2 16, Perkins 5-8 4-4 14, T.Allen 4-8 6-9 14, Giddens 1-3 0-0 2, Davis 5-9 5-7 15, Williams 1-2 0-0 2, House 4-11 2-12, Scalabrino 0-2 0-0 0, Hudson 2-3 0-0 5, Totals 36-70 25-103

Toronto 27 21 29 25 - 96
 Boston 27 21 29 25 - 103
 3-Point Goals—Toronto 8-15 (Jack 3-3, Bargnani 2-5, Belinelli 1-2, Turkoglu 1-2, Banks 1-3), Boston 6-16 (Wallace 2-5, House 2, Hudson 1-1, R.Allen 1-4). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Toronto 39 (Bosh 9), Boston 44 (Perkins 10), Assists—Toronto 22 (Turkoglu, Jack 7), Boston 26 (Allen 7), Total Fouls—Toronto 27, Boston 21. Technicals—Turkoglu, Wallace. A-18,624 (18,624).

HORNETS 99, ROCKETS 95
 Houston 95
 Brooks 2-5 0-0 6, Scola 5-11 5-15, Hayes 4-7 1-2 9, Battier 4-11 2-2 17, Ariza 2-9 1-4 19, Lowry 3-8 5-5 12, Landry 4-7 0-0 8, Anderson 3-8 0-0 6, Taylor 1-1 1-2 3, Totals 35-172 91

New Orleans (95)
 Stojakovic 2-7 0-5 2, West 6-14 3-4 15, Okafor 6-8 2-4 14, Paul 9-21 9-10 28, D.Brown 5-9 2-2 12, Songalia 5-11 2-2 12, Collins 0-3 0-0 0, Thornton 1-3 0-0 2, Posey 1-2 2-5, Wright 1-1 0-0 0, D.Brown 2-6 0-0 4, Totals 38-85 20-29 99

Houston 26 24 27 18 - 95
 New Orleans 24 25 28 28 - 99
 3-Point Goals—Houston 8-20 (Brooks 3-6, Battier 2-4, Ariza 2-7, Lowry 1-1, Anderson 0-2), New Orleans 3-14 (Paul 1-2, Posey 1-2, Stojakovic 1-4, B.Brown 0-3), D.Brown 0-1, Fouled Out—Landry, Rebounds—Houston 46 (Hayes 12), New Orleans 46 (Okafor 16), Assists—Houston 21 (Lowmy 6), New Orleans 18 (Paul 9), Total Fouls—Houston 25, New Orleans 21. A-16,020 (17,188).

SPURS 97, WIZARDS 86
 San Antonio 97
 Jefferson 4-6 2-11, Duncan 10-16 3-6 23, Blair 0-1 2-4 2, Parker 5-17 2-12, Bogans 3-3 0-0 8, Ginobili 3-7 3-3 10, McDyess 3-8 0-0 6, Mason 7-9 2-2 12, Hill 2-5 1-5, Hairston 0-0 0-0 0, Totals 37-73 15-20 97

Washington (86)
 Jamison 10-17 2-12, Blatche 2-12 1-2 5, Hayward 2-5 0-4 4, Arenas 10-25 2-23, Butler 10-21 3-5 24, Stevenson 0-0 0-0 0, O'bereto 1-2 1-2 3, Foye 3-4 0-0 6, Boykins 1-5 2-2 4, McGuire 0-0 0-0 0, Totals 35-80 12-17 86

San Antonio 30 20 27 - 97
 Washington 30 26 21 15 - 86
 3-Point Goals—San Antonio 8-12 (Mason 4-4, Bogans 2-2, Jefferson 1-1, Ginobili 1-2, Duncan 0-1, Hill 0-2), Washington 4-10 (Jamson 2-3, Butler 1-2, Arenas 1-4, Boykins 0-1), Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—San Antonio 45 (Duncan 7), Washington 46 (Jamison, Hayward 9), Assists—San Antonio 23 (Parker 7), Washington 17 (Arenas 8), Total Fouls—San Antonio 24, Washington 20. Technicals—Washington delay of game. A-19,025 (20,173).

PACERS 122, TIMBERWOLVES 111
 Minnesota 111
 Hill 4-11 5-9, Love 6-14 3-3 16, Jefferson 10-20 3-3 23, Flynn 4-11 5-9, Brewer 1-5 1-13, Head 1-1 0-0 2, Hollins 0-1 8-10 8, Ellington 6-11 6-16, Sessions 3-8 4-4 10, Pavlovic 1-1 0-0 2, Javai 0-1 0-0 0, Totals 40-89 26-31 111

Indiana (122)
 Dunleavy 5-7 3-3 15, McRoberts 3-5 0-0 7, Hibbert 10-18 1-2 12, Watson 3-12 1-2, Head 8-15 4-5 21, Rush 6-11 0-0 16, Jones 5-11 0-10 0, Price 3-7 1-1 8, Jones 5-9 2-2 12, Totals 48-98 16-17 122

Minnesota 26 19 40 26 - 111
 Indiana 26 19 40 26 - 122
 3-Point Goals—Minnesota 5-17 (Ellington 3-5, Love 1-3, Flynn 1-4, Gomes 0-5), Indiana 10-25 (Rush 4-8, Dunleavy 3-12, Watson 3-12, McRoberts 1-2, Head 1-4, Watson 1-5). Fouled Out—McRoberts, D.Jones. Rebounds—Minnesota 57 (Hollins 9), Indiana 48 (McRoberts, Dunleavy 8), Assists—Minnesota 22 (Ellington 5), Indiana 30 (Watson 9), Total Fouls—Minnesota 20, Indiana 28. Technicals—Wilkins, Minnesota defensive three second, Indiana defensive three second. A-12,685 (18,165).

Friday's Late NBA Box
LAKERS 109, KINGS 108
 Sacramento 108
 Casspi 8-13 4-12 3, Thompson 0-4 0-2 0, Hawes 12-20 2-3, Udrih 8-13 2-2 19, Greene 4-7 0-0 8, Udoka 5-7 4-3 13, Rodriguez 3-7 2-9, Brockman 1-1 0-0 2, Nocioni 1-5 0-0 1-5, Totals 32-72 0-0 2, Totals 43-79 12-16 108

L.A. LAKERS (109)
 Odom 7-11 4-5 20, Gasol 7-12 3-17, Bynum 7-12 2-16, Fisher 1-10 3-4 6, Bryant 13-27 8-11 39, Farmer 1-4 0-0 2, Morrison 1-2 0-0 2, Vujacic 0-2 1-1 1, Brown 2-6 2-2 6, Powell 0-0 0-0 0, Totals 39-86 23-29 109

Sacramento 28 36 22 22 - 108
 L.A. Lakers 28 36 22 22 - 109
 3-Point Goals—Sacramento 10-19 (Hawes 4-5, Casspi 3-4, Udoka 1-2, Udrih 1-2, Rodriguez 1-2, Nocioni 0-4), L.A. Lakers 8-20 (Bryant 5-7, Odom 2-3, Fisher 1-4, Morrison 0-1, Vujacic 0-1, Brown 0-2, Farmer 0-2). Fouled Out—Greene, Thompson, Rebounds—Sacramento 43 (Hawes 11), L.A. Lakers 50 (Gasol 16), Assists—Sacramento 31 (Udrih 13), L.A. Lakers 20 (Bryant 5), Total Fouls—Sacramento 24, L.A. Lakers 15. Technicals—Casspi. A-18,997 (18,997).

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COLLEGE BOWLS

McCluster, Ole Miss win Cotton Bowl

ARLINGTON, Texas — Before having to figure out life without Dexter McCluster in the backfield, Mississippi coach Houston Nutt was going to use the speedy back as much as possible.

"We knew we were going to run his legs off," Nutt said.

McCluster responded with a finale for Nutt and Ole Miss fans to remember.

In a Cotton Bowl filled with turnovers and missed opportunities by both teams, McCluster was the clear standout in his final game. He carried a career-high 32 times for 182 yards and two touchdowns, including a go-ahead 2-yard run on a direct snap with 4:03 left Saturday, and the Rebels beat Oklahoma State 21-7.

"When I'm in the zone, I'm all business. I want the ball and I'm going to do whatever I can to make something happen," McCluster said. "I'm pretty sore. But if we had to play again, I'd get up and go."

McCluster also had an 86-yard TD run in the second quarter after the senior had already become the first Southeastern Conference player with 1,000 yards rushing and 500 yards receiving in the same season.

Ole Miss (9-4) had five turnovers in the game, but Oklahoma State had six in the fourth quarter, and seven overall.

The Rebels failed to capitalize on Kendrick Lewis' two interceptions, but McCluster scored after a fumble to break a 7-7 tie. Patrick Trahan picked up another fumble and returned it 34 yards for a touchdown less than a minute later, then intercepted a deflected fourth-down pass by Oklahoma State's Zac Robinson on the next drive.

"It's hard to overcome giving one away," Cowboys coach Mike Gundy said. "At some point we've got to make some plays. We've got to step up. I told the team the same thing."

The Cowboys (9-4), who like Ole Miss were in the preseason AP Top 10, missed a chance for their first 10-win season since 1988 when Gundy was their starting quarterback. Nutt, also a former Oklahoma State quarterback, was then one of their coaches.

Nutt has led the Rebels to consec-



Mississippi running back Dexter McCluster, left, leaps over the goal line to score a touchdown as teammate Tyler King (33) blocks Oklahoma State safety Markelle Martin during the fourth quarter of the Cotton Bowl in Arlington, Texas, Saturday.

AP photo

utive 9-4 seasons, both capped by victories in the Cotton Bowl, this one played in Cowboys Stadium after the 73rd game at the game's namesake stadium last year. Ole Miss had lost all eight of its SEC games in 2007 before Nutt replaced the fired Ed Orgeron.

Now Nutt and the Rebels have to move on without McCluster, whose 3,921 career all-purpose yards are second in school history behind Deuce McAllister's 4,889.

LIBERTY BOWL ARKANSAS 20, EAST CAROLINA 17, OT

MEMPHIS, Tenn. — Alex Tejada kicked a 37-yard field goal in overtime to give Arkansas a 20-17 win in the Liberty Bowl on Saturday night after East Carolina's Ben Hartman missed two field goal attempts late in regulation and another in the extra session.

Hartman missed from 39 yards with 1:03 remaining and from the

same distance on the final play, then missed from 35 in overtime. Tejada, who has struggled with kicks in pressure situations himself, made his attempt to end the game.

Arkansas won despite going 0 of 13 on third down.

It was the second straight overtime game for the Razorbacks (8-5), who fell 33-30 to LSU in the regular-season finale. Tejada missed a kick to end that game and also missed from 43 yards in the fourth quarter Saturday.

That was nothing compared to what Hartman went through. He missed four attempts in all, each at the same end of the field. He was short from 45 yards in the first quarter, then hit the left upright with just over a minute left. He was wide right on the second potential game-winner, then wide left in overtime.

East Carolina (9-5) lost in the Liberty Bowl for the second straight season.

Cal running back Best leaving school to enter NFL draft

BERKELEY, Calif. — California star tailback Jahvid Best will skip his senior season and enter the NFL draft.

Best made the announcement Saturday, saying it was not an

easy decision.

Best missed the final four games of the season after a frightening fall led to a concussion and sore back. He is projected to be a first-round pick.

Best was knocked out when he fell on the back of his head from about 8 feet while leaping into the end zone for a touchdown against Oregon State on Nov. 7.

Best entered the season as one of

the most dynamic running backs in the country and a contender for the Heisman Trophy. He finished the season with 16 touchdowns and 867 yards rushing before the injury.

Moore

Continued from Sports 1

at the tape and he's right."

Harsin spends the entire week preparing Moore for the game and the sophomore makes it easy for Harsin to trust him.

"I tell him, 'You do what you need to do. You go out and play. We spend all our time preparing this week. When the play is called, it's your deal. You do what you're supposed to do out there. If it's not there, make a good decision and we'll punt the ball,'" Harsin said.

This duo is so in sync, from play calling and decision-making at the line, to pre-snap reads and adjustments mid-game, that Moore rarely needs to audible because he can make any play called in the huddle work.

"We give him that freedom so he can just go out there and play," Harsin said. "We trust him enough in his preparation that there's not going to be that many questions at the end of the day, win or lose. He's earned that."

Moore is not the biggest, fastest or strongest guy, even among the Boise State quarterbacks. But he makes up for it with intangibles. He was only sacked five times this season because he gets the ball out so quickly the defensive line doesn't have a chance to touch him. He doesn't hesitate to hit his check-down receivers or throw a deep ball.

All those throwing lanes will shrink against TCU in Monday night's Fiesta Bowl (6 p.m., FOX). The team speed on defense will make it harder for receivers to get open. Moore must fit the ball into some tight windows, meaning his accurate arm must be better than ever.

Injury update: Boise State head coach Chris Petersen said receiver Austin Pettis will play against TCU. Pettis hasn't participated in all drills in practice as he recovers from a broken bone in his ankle. Petersen said Tyler Shoemaker will also play, and that redshirt freshman Brenel Meyers will make the start at right tackle. Redshirt freshman Michael Ames is also expected to play.

Ford broke out in the third, rushing 12 times for 106 yards, then capped his day with a 24-yard scoring run in the final quarter.

— The Associated Press

Plenty still at stake as NFL season concludes

By Barry Wilner
Associated Press writer

How boring is the NFC, with all six playoff participants already decided? Well, the conference is pretty spicy, actually, with the East crown about to be decided in Dallas, the Vikings capable of being seeded second, third or fourth, and the top-ranked Saints suddenly struggling.

The AFC already has all four division winners and has concentrated its frenzy on the wild-card race, which has seven teams still in the scramble. The Ravens and Jets are in control, but if either slips, the Broncos, Steelers, Jaguars, Texans and Dolphins remain possibilities. Denver has 10 scenarios by which it can get a wild card, half of those not even requiring the Broncos to win Sunday against Kansas City.

Most intriguing are the Eagles (11-4) at the Cowboys (10-5) and the Bengals (10-5) at the Jets (8-7).

Dallas won 20-16 at Philadelphia on Nov. 8, seemingly taking charge of the division. But the Cowboys went 4-3 after that, while Philly went 6-1 to take the NFC East lead. Sunday's winner gets the title and perhaps a bye in the first round of the postseason.

"It's a perfect picture right now," Cowboys cornerback Mike Jenkins said. "I think it was set up real great. We're in a good situation to go in and show everybody what we're made of. Doing it (against the Eagles) is even better. We're in a great situation."

Of course, they were in the same situation a year ago in the wild-card race, went into Philadelphia and got routed 44-6.

An Eagles victory earns them that bye. Dallas needs a win and losses by Minnesota and Arizona to get the week off.

Most people, including Jets coach Rex Ryan, thought the Jets would have the postseason off after a loss to Atlanta two weeks ago. Then everything New York required to remain viable for the playoffs happened last weekend — including the Colts waving an unbeaten season goodbye by

sitting nearly every starter in the third quarter of a close game. The Jets rallied to hand Indianapolis its first loss, and with a victory Sunday night over the AFC North champion Bengals, who also might rest their regulars, New York gets in.

"We had a lot of tough games this year, a lot of tough losses, games that we thought we would win and we ended up coming up short," running

back Thomas Jones said. "For us to have an opportunity to even get in the playoffs at this point in the season says a lot about our coaching staff, says a lot about Rex and the commitment that they have to us. It says a lot about the character of our team and guys not giving up."

It also says a lot about having a favorable schedule at the end of the season.

In other games Sunday, it's Baltimore at Oakland, Pittsburgh at Miami, New England at Houston, Indianapolis at Buffalo, New Orleans at Carolina, Jacksonville at Cleveland, the New York Giants at Minnesota, Washington at San Diego, Green Bay at Arizona, Chicago at Detroit, San Francisco at St. Louis, Atlanta at Tampa Bay, and Tennessee at Seattle.

NFL WEEK 17

NFC East title on the line as Eagles visit Cowboys

The winner of this game takes home the NFC East title and perhaps the No. 2 seed in the NFC playoffs.

Indianapolis at Buffalo
(14-1) (5-10)

Whether Peyton Manning plays more than one series is pure speculation. Buffalo is 2-4 under interim coach Perry Fewell.

New Orleans at Carolina
(13-2) (7-8)

Saints dropped two in a row and haven't played lights-out on O or D since November. John Fox should keep his coaching job with a .500 finish.

Jacksonville at Cleveland
(7-8) (4-11)

Three straight losses dropped the Jaguars from control of the AFC wild-card dash to needing lots of help. Browns have won three straight.

Philadelphia at Dallas
(11-4) (10-5)

The East crown about to be decided in Dallas. Winner gets the title and perhaps a bye in the first round of the postseason.

Chicago at Detroit
(6-9) (2-13)

Lions can't look at this year as successful, but at least it's not 0-16. Bears looked like a contender in Monday night's OT win against Vikes.

New England at Houston
(10-5) (8-7)

Does Bill Belichick care that much about being a No. 3 or No. 4 seed? With right results, Texans could sneak in to face Pats again next weekend.

Pittsburgh at Miami
(8-7) (7-8)

How badly will defending Super Bowl champions feel if they beat the Dolphins and finish 9-7 and get left out of the postseason?

N.Y. Giants at Minnesota
(8-7) (11-4)

Giants' D is a shell of the unit that helped win a Super Bowl less than two years ago. Vikings have gone into a dive, losing three of last four.

Cincinnati at N.Y. Jets
(10-5) (8-7)

Jets make the playoffs with a win, and given how little this game means to Cincinnati, the Jets should have a decent shot at emerging victorious.

San Francisco at St. Louis
(7-8) (1-14)

String of six straight losing records for the Niners could end if they handle the dreadful Rams, who can earn No. 1 overall draft pick.

Atlanta at Tampa Bay
(8-7) (3-12)

Falcons can end string of 43 seasons without consecutive winning records by beating Bucs. They come off a stunning upset of the Saints.

Green Bay at Arizona
(10-5) (10-5)

These teams could meet in the wild-card round next weekend. Packers are winners of six of their last seven games.

Kansas City at Denver
(3-12) (8-7)

Broncos have stumbled so badly that Chargers surged into control of AFC West by early December. Chiefs hung tough in loss at Cincinnati.

Baltimore at Oakland
(8-7) (5-10)

Ravens could have secured a wild-card berth by beating Pittsburgh last Sunday, and now face a potential spoiler in the Raiders.

Washington at San Diego
(4-11) (12-3)

Jim Zorn's final game as Redskins coach. San Diego has won 10 straight, but figures to sit its regulars for much of this game.

Tennessee at Seattle
(7-8) (5-10)

Titans want to finish off their remarkable turnaround from 0-6 with a .500 record. Seattle merely wants to finish another injury-ravaged flop.

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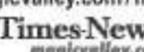
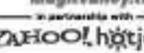
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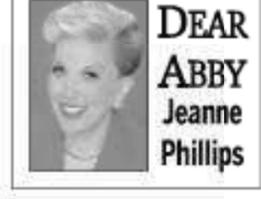
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Mom is in her 80s and lives alone in the house we grew up in. She has lived by herself for more than 20 years. Although she's very active, the house has become a burden. She and I have talked about selling it and her moving to a senior residence close to me. She is thrilled with the idea.

I am afraid my brother will make a fuss and try to discourage the process, since Mom would be moving out of state. I'll be going to visit Mom soon to help with some jobs around the house. How do I get through to my brother that this would be a progressive move for Mom?

- SENSIBLE SIBLING

IN MINNESOTA
DEAR SENSIBLE SIB: You're behaving as if the decision is yours and your brother's to make. If your mother is "thrilled" with the idea of being closer to you, it's possible that your brother and his wife are less involved in her life than you think. When you go to visit and your brother comes by acting as if he'd rather be elsewhere, start a family discussion on the subject and don't let him hijack it. Your mother's wishes should prevail.

P.S. I don't know whether you and your brother will be able to re-establish the closeness you once had or the reason you drifted apart. But a mediator might be able to help if you both are willing.

DEAR ABBY: I am a 22-year-old married woman in Canada. I moved from the United States to be with my husband when I was 19. People seem to react negatively because we married at such a young age. I am often asked, "What do your parents think about that?" Abby, my mother died when I was 17 and I have had little contact with my father since I was 12 because he was abusive. I was fortunate that my grandmother took me in. She loves my husband and has no problem with my marriage as she knows I am wise beyond my years because of my past.

How can I respond to these strangers - first about their negative reaction to my having married so young, and second, to their questions about my mother's passing away because it is still painful after all these years.

- NO PARENTS

IN CALGARY
DEAR NO PARENTS: Ah, the thoughtless questions people come up with about things that are none of their business! You do not have to give a stranger chapter and verse about your family history. Just smile, say, "I was raised by my grandmother, and she didn't have a problem with it," then change the subject immediately by asking the person a question about her- or himself.

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NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING

The Annual Meeting of East End Mutual Electric will be held Tuesday, January 26, 2010 at the Rupert Elks Lodge. Members attendance at this meeting is needed so important business of the company may be conducted. A Director for District 3 will be elected. Vic Forgeon is presently the Director for the District. Refreshments will be served.

PUBLISH: January 3, 10 and 13, 2010

PUBLIC NOTICE

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NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING OF THE STOCKHOLDERS OF NORTH SIDE CANAL COMPANY, LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, That the Annual Meeting of the stockholders of the North Side Canal Company, Ltd., will be held in the conference room at Con Paulos Chevrolet, 251 Frontage Road South, Jerome, Idaho, Thursday, January 14, 2010, at 10:00 A.M. for the election of Directors and for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the meeting in accordance with the By-laws of the Company.

The following Directors are to be elected for a three year term.

One Director from District No. 3

One Director from District No. 6

One Director at Large

The Stock books will close ten days prior to January 14, 2010, and all proxies must be filed with the Secretary at least five days prior to January 14, 2010, in accordance with the provisions of the By-laws of the Company. Dated this 29th day of December, 2009 at Jerome, Idaho. NORTH SIDE CANAL COMPANY, LTD.
 BY: Terry Walters, Assist-Sec'y

PUBLISH: January 3 and 10, 2010

NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING OF THE STOCKHOLDERS OF NORTH SIDE PUMPING COMPANY

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, That the Annual Meeting of the Stockholders of the North Side Pumping Company, will be held at the office of the North Side Canal Company, Ltd., 921 North Lincoln, Jerome, Idaho, Monday, January 18, 2010 at 10:00 A.M. for the election of Directors and for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the meeting in accordance with the By-laws of the Company.

The following Directors are to be elected for a three year term.

One Director from District No. 3

One Director at Large

The Stock books will close ten days prior to January 18, 2010 and all proxies must be filed with the Secretary at least five days prior to January 18, 2010, in accordance with the provisions of the By-laws of said Company. Dated this 29th day of December, 2009 at Jerome, Idaho. NORTH SIDE PUMPING COMPANY
 BY: Terry Walters, Secretary

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IDAHO HOUSING AND FINANCE ASSOCIATION & THE IDAHO DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE NOTICE OF PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD AND SECOND PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE FIVE-YEAR STRATEGIC PLAN AND 2010 ACTION PLAN FOR IDAHO'S AFFORDABLE HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS

The 30-day Public Comment Period for the 2010-2014 Five-Year Strategic Plan and the 2010 Action Plan will begin January 4 through February 2, 2010. Following the comment period, the Plan will be amended to reflect the public input and submitted to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.

The Five-Year Strategic Plan addresses the federal block grant programs administered by IHFA and IDC, the Emergency Shelter Grant (ESG) Program, the Home Investment Partnership Program (HOME), and the Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG). The Plan includes the five-year goals and strategies as well as the anticipated outcomes for each program's activities. The Action Plan addresses the 2010 Program Year.

The Public Hearing will be held **January 25, 2010 in the first Floor Conference Room, Park Plaza, 565 West Myrtle Street Boise, Idaho.** The purpose of the hearing is to receive written and oral comment regarding the 2010-2014 Five-Year Strategic Plan and the 2010 Action Plan. **Comments accepted from 4:30-5:30 pm.**

The location of the Public Hearing is accessible to persons with physical disabilities, reasonable accommodation can be requested. Individuals who would like participate in person, or testify by telephone and/or require language interpretation and/or special assistance to accommodate a physical, sight, or hearing impairment(s), which includes material provided in alternate formats, should contact IHFA at 1-877-4GRANTS (447-2687) or TDD (800) 545-1833 ext. #400 at least 72 hours prior to the public hearing

The Draft Plan is available January 4 through February 2, 2010 at:
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 CDBG Program- Dennis Porter (IDC)
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 Department of Commerce- P.O. Box 83720, Boise, ID 83720-0093.

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4. Akita/Border Collie cross white/black adult male animal shelter
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8. German Shepherd/Basset cross black/brown/white 8 mo spayed female
9. Hound cross black/chocolate 4 mo neutered male
10. Terrier cross black/tan 8 month old spayed female
11. Mastiff/Hound cross tan/black 11 mo neutered male
12. German Shepherd cross red/black/white 9 mo neutered male
13. Shepherd/Collie cross red/black 1 yr spayed female
14. Retriever/Mastiff cross black/brindle 3 yr neutered male
15. Rottweiler cross black/brown 2 yr neutered male
16. Heeler cross blue merle 2 year old spayed female
17. Border Collie black/white 2 yr old neutered male
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19. Lab cross black 3 month old neutered male

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Dear Mr. Wolff:

How does the rule of 11 work if your opponents are leading third and lowest (or third and fifth highest)?

Not Enough Fingers, Durango, Colo.

ANSWER: A fourth-highest lead implies that the leader will hold three cards higher than the one he led: that produces a rule of 11. (Subtract the spot-card value of the card led from 11 to give the number of cards higher than the lead in the other three players' hands.) On a fifth-highest lead use the rule of 10; on what looks like a third-highest lead, subtract the spot-card from 12.

Dear Mr. Wolff:

Second to speak with ♠ J-9, ♥ A-Q-7-3-2, ♦ 10-3-2, ♣ Q-7-4, I overcalled one club with one heart. The next hand made a negative double and my partner jumped to three clubs, confusing me no end. Afterwards he said this was what he called a "mixed raise." Have you heard of this call?

Mixed-Up Kid, Selma, Ala.

ANSWER: A mixed raise is a jump cue-bid in competition, facing an overcall, to show a four-card raise with 6-9 points or so. It is mixed because it has the shape for a pre-emptive raise and the values for a single raise. Since the call has no other useful meaning, it makes good sense to play this convention. Discuss it with your partner first.

Dear Mr. Wolff:

What is the right way to ask for aces and then for kings using Gerber?

Country Clubber, Naples, Fla.

ANSWER: Remember that Gerber applies only after an opening or rebid of one or two no-trump. The call of four clubs gets responses of four diamonds for zero or four, and four hearts for one

ace, and so on. Now responder's bid of five clubs over the response asks for kings with the same scheme of responses. You can by agreement play Sliding Gerber: instead of five clubs, the cheapest bid over the response asks for kings.

Dear Mr. Wolff:

I opened one heart and my partner held ♠ 3, ♥ K-J-4, ♦ A-Q-7-3-2, ♣ A-J-4-3. After he responded two diamonds, I rebid my hearts, which was forcing for one round but not to game. How should he develop his hand now? A raise to three hearts would be forcing in our style.

Linear Progression, Pleasanton, Calif.

ANSWER: The choice is a complex one. The raise to three hearts endplays you if partner just bids game, while a call of three clubs almost denies hearts this good. Best is to jump to three spades instead. Since two spades is natural and forcing, three spades shows a singleton spade and heart support with slam interest. You hope partner will find a cue-bid of a minor-suit king. If he signs off in four hearts, respect his judgment.

Dear Mr. Wolff:

I have been taught that facing an opening bid of one no-trump, Stayman always promises invitational or better values. Is that really true?

Gate-Crasher, Hartford, Conn

ANSWER: I prefer to use the sequence of Stayman followed by a rebid of two hearts over two diamonds as weak with both majors, not invitational. All other sequences after Stayman do indeed tend to promise at least invitational values.

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51 PICKUP By Dan Naddor

- ACROSS**
 1 Flavorful
 6 Tennyson poem that begins "He clasps the crag with crooked hands"
 14 Scorecard numbers
 18 Leachman who is the oldest "Dancing With the Stars" contestant to date
 20 Is guaranteed to work
 21 Ike's mate
 22 Space cadet's selection?
 24 Fly on the wind
 25 Buddy
 26 Madre's boy
 27 Coleridge storyteller
 29 USNA grad
 30 "Let's go, Mr. North"
 34 Bridge site
 35 "So that's it!"
 37 Sporty Pontiac
 38 Start of Caesar's boast
 39 Crack reaction
 40 Novelist Susan
 44 Inclined
 46 Burrowing rodents of Central and South America
 47 Vatican Palace painter
 49 Had in mind
 50 "Meet the Fockers" actor
 51 Judo sash
 52 Fish-eating bird's dessert?
 55 Blush
 56 Muhammad's birthplace
 58 Swoon
 59 Gloom
 60 Promise, for one
 61 Powell's portrait painter?
 65 Creamy shade
 69 Angle iron
 71 Like tortoiseshell
 72 Like Niagara Falls
 73 Large envelope
 76 Badly neglected vehicle?
 80 Needle
 81 Sign up
 82 Lion-colored
 83 Water polo teams, e.g.
 85 Chicago suburb
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 89 Isinglass
 90 Org. concerned with PCBs
 92 Piece of work
 94 Casa pet, perhaps
 95 Scores kept by Cinderella's godmother?
 101 Pitching stat
 103 Going on and on
 105 "Charity thou ___ lie": Stephen Crane
 106 Ralph Nader in the 2000 election, according to Gore supporters
 108 Bit of gaucho gear
 109 Ultimate caterer?
 113 Atlas feature
 114 Abscissa's counterpart
 115 Jungle queen
 116 Hungarian
 117 Grading period
 118 Hotel amenities
DOWN
 1 Range
 2 Wrestler Lou
 3 Seasoning for kielbasa?
 4 The cornea covers it
 5 Former NBA center Wade
 6 Horned Frogs' school
 7 Lacks
 8 Valley Girl's home, perhaps
 9 Culture: Pref.
 10 "___ Such As I":
 11 Merry, in Metz
 12 Contractor's ID
 13 Natural environment
 14 Sarah's campaign strategist?
 15 Body builder?
 16 Carpooling
 17 Allow oneself to be persuaded
 19 Chinese: Pref.
 21 Dugout ldr.
 23 Pah lead-in
 28 Bush spokesman
 31 Easter roller
 32 Russian prince known as
 33 Sale, to Seurat
 36 "I'm amazed!"
 41 Western wine region
 42 Simple top
 43 Totally behind
 44 Helped out
 45 "The Raven" monogram
 46 Spa treatment
 47 Dallas quarterback Tony
 48 Brother of Cain
 49 Jazz flutist Herbie
 50 "Shoot!"
 53 Adverb ending
 54 MXX + X
 57 Lassie's luggage carrier?
 59 Movie with a memorable shower scene
 61 Golf rental
 62 ___-poly
 63 Penta- minus two
 64 Corn Belt st.
 66 Analgesic for a post-snorkeling headache?
 67 Bust
 68 Cities, informally
 70 21-Across predecessor
 72 Dadaist collection
 73 Where the wild things are
 74 Bringing to life
 75 Uplight
 76 Keanan of "Step by Step"
 77 Persian Gulf nation
 78 German director Boll known for film adaptations of video games
 79 ___ Lingus
 84 ___ kwon do
 86 Theater districts
 87 Indian lentil dish
 89 Juilliard deg.
 90 Really bugs
 91 Nebraska river
 93 "The Quiet American" author
 96 Either Bush, once
 97 ___ fat
 98 Ames sch.
 99 "House" actor Omar
 100 Next year's juniors
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HOROSCOPE

Jeraldine Saunders

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Your get up and go can take you somewhere important in the week ahead. You may be somewhat more competitive than usual.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Don't pretend. Rather than living a lie, take steps to ensure that you have separated fact from your fantasies.

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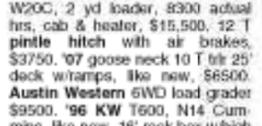
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Concepts Sudoku

By Dave Green

			5				3	
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Answer to previous puzzle

2	5	9	8	3	7	1	6	4
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6	4	7	2	5	8	9	3	1

Difficulty Level ★★★★★

JUMBLE

Answer :

HEIFER MODERN UNSEAT
TEAPOT FORKED BUSHEL
What the dressmaker did when her business slumped -
SHE
"REFASHIONED" IT

Today is Sunday, Jan. 3, the third day of 2010. There are 362 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight:
On Jan. 3, 1959, Alaska became the 49th state as President Dwight D. Eisenhower signed a proclamation.

TODAY IN HISTORY

On this date:
In 1521, Martin Luther was excommunicated from the Roman Catholic Church by Pope Leo X.

In 1777, Gen. George Washington's army routed the British in the Battle of Princeton, N.J.

In 1868, the Meiji Restoration re-established the authority of Japan's emperor and heralded the fall of the military rulers known as shoguns.

In 1870, groundbreaking took place for the Brooklyn Bridge.

In 1938, the March of Dimes campaign to fight polio was organized.

In 1949, in a pair of rulings, the U.S. Supreme Court said that states had the right to ban closed shops.

In 1961, the United States severed diplomatic relations with Cuba.

In 1980, conservationist Joy Adamson, author of "Born Free," was killed in northern Kenya by a former employee.

In 1990, ousted Panamanian leader Manuel Noriega surrendered to U.S. forces, 10 days after taking refuge in the Vatican's diplomatic mission.

In 1993, President George H.W. Bush and Russian President Boris Yeltsin signed a historic nuclear missile-reduction treaty in Moscow.

Ten years ago: Acting Russian President Vladimir Putin fired Boris Yeltsin's daughter (Tatyana Dyachenko) from her Kremlin post in one of his first official acts, moving quickly to distance himself from Yeltsin's scandal-tinged administration. The last new daily "Peanuts" strip by Charles Schulz ran in 2,600 newspapers.

Five years ago: President George W. Bush tapped his father, former President George H.W. Bush, and former President Bill Clinton to help raise tsunami relief funds. The third-ranked Auburn Tigers limped to a 16-13 victory over No. 9 Virginia Tech in the Sugar Bowl. Craig Ferguson took over as the new host of "The Late Late Show" on CBS-TV. Will Eisner, the artist who revolutionized comic books and helped pioneer the graphic novel, died in Lauderdale Lakes, Fla. at age 87.

One year ago: After seven days of pummeling the Gaza Strip from the air, Israel launched a ground offensive; Hamas vowed that Gaza would be a "graveyard" for the Israelis. Veteran actor Pat Hingle died in Carolina Beach, N.C. at age 84.

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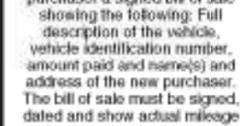
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Photos by ASHLEY SMITH/Times-News

Andrew ‘Bear’ Rebon III, almost 2, looks at animals Monday through the window with his father, Andy, and sister, Isabella, 7, at their home in Hagerman. Bear is battling leukemia and is expected to finish chemotherapy in a couple of months. He travels with his family to Salt Lake City for treatment at Primary Children’s Medical Center.

TINY PATIENT, HUGE RESPONSE

Hagerman rallies around family with sick son

BY JOHN PLETICHA
Times-News writer

HAGERMAN — On Sept. 11, a physician gave Andy and Tenley Rebon the devastating news that their then 19-month-old son has acute myeloid leukemia.

Since that day, the family’s trouble has motivated hundreds to help.

“This has been the absolutely most horrible thing in our lives, but we’ve been blessed by hundreds of people in this town,” Tenley said.

The small Hagerman community came together for the Rebons in astounding fashion. Tenley’s aunt and uncle, David and Becky Tupper, organized a benefit at the American Legion Hall in November. More than 400 people attended, donating more than \$20,000.

In September, the young mother had taken her tiny son to the doctor thinking he had a virus. Instead, his trouble was AML, a rapidly progressing cancer that starts in the bone marrow and quickly progresses to the blood system.

The first round of chemotherapy began immediately for Andrew “Bear” Rebon III at Primary Children’s Medical Center in Salt Lake City. Two more



Bear Rebon dances with his sister, Isabella, while his father, Andy, plays a guitar and his mother, Tenley, looks on.

rounds have followed, and another two are scheduled. Each round requires three to five weeks of hospitalization in sterile isolation, shielded from other children.

Extended stays in Salt Lake City for Tenley and long drives for Andy from Hagerman to Utah on Fridays have strained the Rebons. Andy makes the trip after driving a truck all day, returning Sunday night so that he can be at work Monday morning.

The third and most recent round of chemotherapy had the Rebons bringing

WANT TO HELP?

Donate to the “Benefit for Andrew ‘Bear’ Rebon III” fund at any branch of Pioneer Federal Credit Union.

their son home on Christmas Eve, in time for a family Christmas.

Bear, now nearly 23 months old, emerged from that round in good spirits

See **BEAR**, FL 4

@MAGICVALLEY.COM: WATCH a video of the Rebon family discussing the difficulties of Andrew “Bear” Rebon III’s sickness and treatment.

Christmas in recovery: An addict’s road back to his family

By Blair Koch
Times-News correspondent

BUHL — The holiday season’s stress is tenfold when family get-togethers are marred by drug use.

Chris Pleticha would rather not remember Christmas 2008. Instead of merriment and good cheer, the 28-year-old said, he put his mother through hell.

“I spent Christmas high. The family was torn apart. My sister had kicked me out of her house, my parents wouldn’t let me back in and everyone wasn’t getting

along,” Pleticha said. “But there I was, wrapped in that feeling that meth provides. It’s an ‘anti-worry about life and responsibility’ drug.”

That changed when he was arrested three months ago for drug possession.

Pleticha, who lives in the faith-based recovery Victory House, in Twin Falls, was able to come to his parents’ home in Buhl for Christmas. He’s rebuilding his relationship with his parents, day by day.

“I’ve been clean for 2 1/2 months, but my using ruined my life. My using and lying,

not being a man of my word, hurt my mom, and that trust has to be built back up. I understand that I can no longer say I’m going to change, I have to do it and show it,” Pleticha said.

Instead of arguing or filtering collect calls from jail, Joy Pleticha was able to enjoy this Christmas.

“It’s different, but our family is so much healthier. With the kids’ drama I turned to food, my drug of choice, and now that they are back on the right path I can focus on my own path and getting myself healthy,”

the Buhl mother said. “But I am so grateful.”

Last year she was at her wits’ end. With a daughter in county jail (now completing a year’s sentence for drug trafficking) and her son in obvious decline, she didn’t know what to do.

“It was hard on me,” Joy said. “But we are looking forward, and this year, it’s good, so much better.”

She called her children’s run-ins with law enforcement a positive thing but reflected on the guilt for her



BLAIR KOCH/For the Times-News

Chris Pleticha, 28, reflects on his journey as a recovering meth addict while at his parents’ Buhl home on Christmas. He was happy to spend the day with his family sober but said every day is still a struggle.

See **RECOVERY**, FL 4

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: Beef and noodles
Tuesday: Baked potato bar
Wednesday: Pork chops
Thursday: Spaghetti with meatballs
Friday: Sweet and sour chicken with rice

ACTIVITIES:

Monday: Quilting, 8 a.m. Fit and Fall Proof, 10:30 to 11:15 a.m. Bridge, 1 p.m. Foot clinic, 1 p.m. Tai chi, 1 p.m., \$1
Bunco-Contra dancing, 6 p.m. Duplicate bridge, 6:30 p.m.
Tuesday: Duplicate bridge, 12:30 p.m. Oil painting by appointment, 734-0509
Let's Dance, 6 to 11 p.m. Basket weaving, 404-6377
Wednesday: Quilting, 8 a.m. Cinnamon rolls for sale, 8 a.m. to noon
Fit and Fall Proof, 10:30 to 11:15 a.m. Duplicate bridge, 12:30 p.m. Pinochle, 7:30 p.m.
Thursday: Pinochle, 1 p.m. Oil painting by appointment, 734-0509
Money bingo, 6:30 to 10 p.m. (minimum \$7, medium \$11, average \$15; 16 games)
Friday: Quilting, 8 a.m. Fit and Fall Proof, 10:30 to 11:15 a.m. Tai chi, 1 p.m., \$1
Texas Hold'em, 1 p.m. Pinochle, 7:30 p.m.
Saturday: Pancake breakfast, 9 to 11 a.m. Cabin fever, 1 p.m. Super bingo, 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: Clam chowder soup and egg salad sandwich

Tuesday: Veal patties in gravy
Wednesday: Beef stew
Thursday: Salmon Wellington or chicken breast

ACTIVITIES:

Today: Pork chops, 1 p.m.
Monday: SilverSneakers exercise program, 10:30 a.m.
Tuesday: Quilting, 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Bus runs for lunch pickup, call 543-4577 by 10:30 a.m.
Wednesday: SilverSneakers, 10:30 a.m. Bingo, 7 p.m.
Thursday: Quilting, 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Bus runs for lunch pickup, call 543-4577 by 10:30 a.m. Blood pressure check, 11:45 a.m. Bingo, 1 to 3 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: Oven-baked chicken
Thursday: Salisbury steak

ACTIVITIES:

Monday: Bingo, 6:30 p.m.
Tuesday: Puzzles, 11:30 a.m. Bingo, 12:30 p.m. Cards, 1 p.m.
Wednesday: Puzzles, 11:30 a.m.
Thursday: Blood pressure checks, 11:30 a.m. Bingo, 1 p.m.

Ageless Senior Citizens Inc.

310 Main St. N., Kimberly. Lunch and full-serve salad bar, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.; take-out; home delivery. Suggested donation: \$4, seniors; \$5, under 60; \$2.50, under 12. Center hours: 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

MENUS:

Monday: Cook's choice
Wednesday: Baked potato bar
Friday: Meatloaf

ACTIVITIES:

Today: Pork chop dinner, noon to 1:30 p.m.; \$6 for adults, \$3 for children under 12 (take-outs available; call ahead 423-4338)
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. Gem State Fiddlers, 11:30 a.m. Bingo, 11:50 a.m. Pinochle, 1 p.m.

Gooding County Senior Citizen Center

308 Senior Ave., Gooding. Lunch at noon. Suggested donation: \$3.50 for seniors. Center hours: 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.

MENUS:

Monday: Chicken-fried steak
Tuesday: Cream of potato soup
Wednesday: Pizza
Thursday: Roast pork

ACTIVITIES:

Monday: Pool, 9:30 a.m. Pinochle, 12:30 p.m. Wild card, 6 p.m.
Tuesday: Pool, 9:30 a.m. Blood pressure Pool, 1 p.m. Hand and foot, 6 p.m.
Wednesday: Pool, 9:30 a.m. Energy assistance Shuffleboard, 6 p.m.
Thursday: Quilt social, 9 a.m. Pool, 9:30 a.m. Pinochle, 7 p.m.
Friday: Bridge and duplicate bridge, 1 p.m.
Saturday: Pinochle, 7 p.m.

Hagerman Valley Senior and Community Center

140 E. Lake, Hagerman. Lunch at noon Monday, Wednesday and Friday. 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.

ACTIVITIES:

Monday: Blood draws, 8:30 to 10:30 a.m. January foot clinic, call for time and date (837-6120); \$5.

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: Fish
Wednesday: Biscuits and gravy
Friday: Chili

Jerome Senior Center

212 First Ave. E., Jerome.

Lunch at noon. Suggested donation: \$3.50, seniors; \$5, non-seniors. Center hours: 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Free transportation to and from center Wednesdays through Fridays, call center for information at 324-5642.

MENUS:

Monday: Country-fried steak
Tuesday: Barbecued ribs
Wednesday: Spaghetti with meat sauce
Thursday: Pepper steak over potatoes
Friday: Oven-baked chicken

ACTIVITIES:

Today: Potluck and dance with music by Melody Masters, 2 to 5 p.m.
Monday: SilverSneakers exercise, 10:30 a.m. Bridge, 12:30 p.m. SilverSneakers, 4:20 to 5:20 p.m.
Tuesday: SilverSneakers, 10 a.m. Bingo, 6:45 p.m.
Wednesday: SilverSneakers, 10:30 a.m. The Country Boys, 12:30 p.m. Threads 'n Time Pinochle, 7 p.m.
Thursday: SilverSneakers 10 a.m. Freewill Baptist Church SilverSneakers, 4:20 to 5:20 p.m.
Friday: SilverSneakers, 10:30 a.m. Gem State Fiddlers, 12:30 p.m. Pinochle, 1 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: Clam chowder soup
Thursday: Ribcuc

ACTIVITIES:

Saturday: Pancake breakfast buffet, 7:30 to 10:30 a.m.

Richfield Senior Center

130 S. Main, Richfield. Lunch at noon. Suggested donation: \$3.50, seniors; \$5.50, under 60.

MENUS:

Monday: Tuna noodle casserole
Thursday: Pork sandwich and soup

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: Ham and beans
Wednesday: Chicken noodle soup, sandwich
Friday: Meatloaf

ACTIVITIES:

Monday: Exercise, 9 a.m. Coffee, 9:30 a.m. Quilting, 10:30 a.m.
Tuesday: Pinochle, 1 p.m. Bingo
Wednesday: Black-out bingo, 12:30 p.m.
Friday: Pinochle, 1 p.m. Bingo

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
Tuesday: Shepherd's pie
Wednesday: Crusted ravioli
Thursday: Rod's homemade egg rolls
Friday: Roasted chicken

ACTIVITIES:

Monday: Massage therapy, 9 a.m. Fit and Fall Proof exercise, 10 a.m. Duplicate bridge, 7 p.m.
Tuesday: Knitters Anonymous, 10:30 a.m. Caregivers meeting, 10:30 a.m. Blood pressure checks, 12:30 a.m. Bingo, 1 p.m.
Wednesday: Fit and Fall Proof, 10 a.m. Arts and crafts, 1 p.m.
Thursday: Movie "Blue Hawaii," starring Elvis Presley; \$2
Friday: Table tennis, 9 a.m. Fit and Fall Proof, 10 a.m.

Minidoka County Senior Citizens Center

702 11th St., Rupert. Lunch at noon. Suggested donation: \$5, seniors; \$6, non-seniors; \$3, under 12; \$4.50, home delivery. Gift shop: 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Center hours: 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

MENUS:

Monday: Enchiladas
Tuesday: Ham and cheese sandwich
Wednesday: Meatloaf
Thursday: Chef salad
Friday: Chicken or fish

ACTIVITIES:

Monday: Pinochle, 1 to 4 p.m.
Tuesday: Pool, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Wednesday: Blood pressure check, 10 a.m. to noon Pinochle, 1 to 4 p.m.
Thursday: Pool, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. 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: Swiss steak
Tuesday: Sandwich
Wednesday: Meatloaf
Thursday: Barbecue on a bun
Friday: Linda Croft's birthday choice

ACTIVITIES:

Monday: Pool Pinochle, 1 p.m. Exercise
Tuesday: Pool Wood carving, 8:30 a.m. Radio show, 9:06 a.m. Exercise
Community bingo, 7 p.m.
Wednesday: Pool Pinochle, 1 p.m. Exercise
Thursday: Pool Exercise 9:30 a.m. Community pinochle, 6 p.m. Woodcarving, 6 p.m.
Friday: Pool Exercise Pinochle, 1 p.m. Bingo, 1 p.m.

Three Island Senior Center

492 E. Cleveland Ave., Glenns Ferry. Lunch at noon. Suggested donation: \$4, seniors; \$6, under 60; \$2.50, under 12. For rides: 366-2051. Center hours: 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.

MENUS:

Monday: Polish sausage
Tuesday: Beef stroganoff
Thursday: Oven-fried chicken

ACTIVITIES:

Monday: Fit and Fall Proof exercise, 10:30 a.m.
Thursday: Fit and Fall Proof, 10:30 a.m.
Friday: TOPS, 10 a.m. Cardio, 1 p.m.

Wendell Senior Meal Site

105 W. Ave. A. Lunch served at noon Mondays. Hours, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Aging in place: At-home technology can monitor seniors for safety

By Melissa Kossler Dutton
For The Associated Press

At 88, Grif Crawford knows he's at risk of a fall or other sudden health problem. So he wears a pendant around his neck that can summon help if something goes wrong.

"It's kind of like life insurance," said Crawford, of Lee Summit, Mo. "I feel very comforted with this."

The device has come a long way since the days when it merely allowed the wearer to alert someone that he or she had fallen and couldn't get up. Crawford's equipment also can be programmed to answer his phone, remind him to take his medicine or alert him to a fire, among other things.

It's one of several new products designed to help seniors stay in their homes rather than move to a nursing home or assisted living facility.

At-home technology now can monitor senior citizens' movements, vital statistics, and sleep and bathroom patterns. There are products that remind seniors to take their medicine.

Such devices allow older people to remain in their homes with more oversight from loved ones or medical specialists.

The products can monitor how well seniors are managing the chores of daily living,

and offer "peace of mind" to caregivers or family, said Majd Alwan, director of the Center of Aging Services Technology, in Washington. The products are most successful when they are tied to an agency that can dispatch meals, medical help or other senior services, he said.

Currently, the monitoring systems, which cost about \$150 to \$200 a month, are more often prescribed to seniors for a limited time after a hospitalization or health issue, Alwan said. Some also are being used in assisted living facilities where operators like the additional protections they offer.

But many people would like to see the technology become more mainstream, added Elinor Ginzler, senior vice president for livable communities for AARP, which recently surveyed seniors about their interest in the products. Seniors are willing to use the technology if it's affordable, she said.

"We're at the beginning of the wave," she said. "Money is an issue."

Alwan foresees technology allowing seniors to avoid "unnecessary early institutionalization" because it will relieve the anxiety of loved ones. The ability to closely monitor a person's lifestyle also can help family members know when the older person is unable to remain



Home For Life Solutions/AP photo

Home For Life Solutions' CookStop, at left, is a solution for preventing fire and smoke damage that starts in the kitchen. The wireless device attaches to an electric stove. A built-in motion detector automatically turns off the stove if the user leaves the room and does not return within a specific time.

home, said Katie Boyer, director of marketing for Home for Life Solutions, in Lee Summit.

Besides monitoring falls and day-to-day activities, her company sells equipment that will turn off a stove if the user forgets. A built-in motion detector turns the appliance off if the user leaves the room and does not return in a

specific timeframe.

As for managing medicine, systems exist that will dispense it at appropriate times and remind patients to take it. If the patient fails to take the medicine, the pills can move into a locked chamber to avoid an overdose.

Many older people like having technology provide this extra layer of security

because it doesn't require them to give up privacy, said Agnes Berzsenyi, general manager of home health for GE Healthcare in Milwaukee.

GE has two products aimed at seniors: Health Guide allows users to check their blood pressure, sugar levels or heart rate daily. The information is sent to a medical provider who tracks it. If problems arise, the patient

can have a teleconference with a nurse or schedule an appointment with their doctor.

The company also offers QuietCare, which uses sensors that learn a customer's daily activities and behaviors, and then watch for changes, Berzsenyi explained. The sensors will alert help if a person falls, goes to the bathroom at night and doesn't return to bed, or fails to get out of bed in the morning. Sensors also can be placed near the medicine cabinet or refrigerator, so monitors can track whether the person is taking their medicine and eating.

"It makes them feel like someone's taking care of them but no one is watching them," Berzsenyi said.

John Cobb, CEO of Senior Lifestyle Corp., started to install QuietCare in some of his company's 70 senior living facilities this summer because he thought it would make residents safer. With QuietCare, his staff can keep track of residents' whereabouts at night, he said.

"This is not a nursing home," Cobb said from his company's Chicago headquarters. "We're not watching people at night."

Within 30 days, the system alerted staff members to five residents who had problems overnight, he said.

"That was a very telling moment," he said.

Here's some of the best from recent postings by one of the Times-News' mom bloggers. Read more at Magicvalley.com.



One of those moments ...

... that make you proud! Since my last post was about one of those more stressful situations as a mom, this one is on a more positive note.

You see, my oldest son kind of had a rough week for a variety of reasons and this morning after church, he was pretty

emotional. He was crying and my middle son saw how sad he was. So what did he do? He walked over to his big brother, wrapped his arms around him, hugged onto him tight, and told him it was going to be OK. These two love to bug each other, but this showed that in a moment that he saw his brother in need of support, he was there for him.

The 'choking game' can be a deadly one

By Amina Khan
Los Angeles Times

Risk-taking adolescent behavior: It's not all sex, drugs and alcohol. There's also the choking game — otherwise known as “space monkey,” “sleeper hold” and “funky chicken.”

The game consists of two main variants. One can be a solo operation, using a necktie, belt or other type of binding to put pressure on the carotid artery in the neck. The other method involves a partner, who can apply pressure to the neck or chest until the subject passes out, cutting off blood flow to the brain.

The resulting rush of oxygen once pressure is released generates a pleasurable sensation, or “natural high.” And although the practice seems to be slightly on the upswing, it's rare enough that it could slip under a physician's radar. Dr. Nancy Bass, a child neurologist at Rainbow Babies and Children's Hospital in Cleveland, said she recalls four cases of choking game-related deaths in her 15 years of practice.

Physician awareness of the problem remains too low, according to a paper published in the January issue of *Pediatrics*. “The choking game may not be as

prevalent as other (risky behaviors) like drugs, but the issue is, it can result in death,” said Bass, one of the paper's authors.

Documentation is iffy — many deaths from the choking game can be mislabeled as suicide — but reports seem to be on the rise. In February 2008, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention surveyed news stories from 1995 to 2007 and found 82 deaths that were likely the result of the choking game.

A 2007 paper on youth in Williams County, Ohio, reported that 11 percent of adolescents said they had played the choking game. That number did not include teens who thought better of admitting to it, nor those who knew someone who had tried it even if they hadn't themselves.

A survey of students published in 2009 in the journal *Injury Prevention* — performed following a student death at a Texas school — found that 68 percent of respondents had heard of the game and 45 percent knew someone who had taken part in it.

The Internet has also raised the choking game's profile. A study published in July in *Clinical Pediatrics* documented 65 YouTube videos of the game, which

had collectively been viewed 173,550 times.

Bass' report in *Pediatrics* suggests doctors are not keeping up with the trend. Of 163 Ohio physicians who responded to Bass' survey, 111 (68.1 percent) said they had heard of the game — mostly through popular media sources, not from professional education. Of those who knew about the game, 7.6 percent reported having a patient they suspected may have been engaging in the activity.

Children may not realize how dangerous the game is: The *Injury Prevention* paper found that 40 percent of students surveyed said they perceived no risk from it. That's why doctors should be aware, able to recognize its symptoms and educate patients, Bass said.

She said she now looks for telltale signs — unexplained headaches, red marks dismissed as hickeys, bloodshot eyes, signs of depression.

The best way to deal with patients, she said, is to be straight with them. “I'll just come out and say, ‘Have you ever heard of the choking game, and have you ever played it?’” Their reaction usually reveals all — then it's time for hard facts. “I just do a bit of education and say, ‘Frankly, kids have died doing this,’” Bass said.

Rewards for kids: effective or over the top?

By Angie Wagner
For The Associated Press

LAS VEGAS — My daughter came home from school today with another prize she earned from the treasure chest.

Her behavior was in the “green” zone all week, which meant she earned a trip to the prize box. Kids who end up in “red” don't get a reward.

At the dentist, she gets another prize for not having cavities. At church, she gets a prize each week if she recites her Bible verse. She also earns points that she can redeem for larger toys.

Sure seems like a lot of prizes going around.

In school, I expect my child to behave well. I would be surprised if my normally compliant child all of a sudden was relegated to the red zone. And I can't help but wonder why my child needs a prize for memorizing a Bible verse.

So, do rewards for kids really work?

Alfie Kohn, author of “Punished by Rewards: The Trouble with Gold Stars, Incentive Plans, A's, Praise, and Other Bribes,” said rewards only produce temporary compliance. They never help kids become more effective or enthusiastic learners or decent people.

Kohn said kids who are led to focus on grades — the reward of an A — tend to think less deeply, prefer easier tasks and find learning less interesting when compared with kids in classrooms where grades are absent. He said studies also show that children who are frequently rewarded or praised tend to be somewhat less generous and caring than their peers.

“The bottom line is that dangling incentives in front of children is a way of doing things to them. It's a form of sugar-coated control. In the long run, people react badly to being controlled, even if they like the goody itself.”

Of course, most critics haven't tried to control a room full of children.

Lisa Thompson, a third-grade teacher in Houston, does a money system in her classroom. Each student is assigned a job for the week such as passing out papers, and is paid classroom dollars on Friday. At the end of the month, they can spend their money on a prize.

If students break a rule or do not turn in homework, they pay Thompson \$5 from their bank.

“It really helps them with responsibility and behavior. They do not want to lose money. After the first auction, I very

rarely have a student not do their homework,” Thompson said.

“I think that rewards can be good, but we want to teach our students to be responsible without expecting something in return. Teaching the importance of commitment, respect for others and integrity is key,” she added. “Classroom management can be the most challenging part of teaching.”

Patricia Martin, a Broken Arrow, Okla., mother to 6-year-old Trent, said her son's kindergarten teacher does not use a reward system for good behavior.

Instead, she uses a verbal positive reinforcement system to drive the correct behavior.

“There are days if a few of the kids are too loud or out of control, she makes the entire class put their heads down. Trent isn't a fan of group punishment, but he does tell the other kids to stop doing things so he doesn't have to put his head down,” she said.

At home, Martin and her husband used a reward system for chores. But when they noticed their son calculating how many tasks he could miss and still get the toy, they abandoned the system.

“Now, we treat things as an expectation. He's expected to take his clothes to his room and put them in the basket.”

They do still use a reward system for various things like mastering his letter sounds, which has proven to

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motivate her son.

Kohn said the alternative to all the rewards is to work with kids to solve problems. Adults have to bring children in on the process of thinking about what it makes sense to do and why.

“Kids learn to make good decisions by making decisions, not by following directions,” he said.

Meanwhile, I just got a note from my daughter's school asking parents to donate prizes to the treasure box. The supply is getting low.

Toddlers and restaurants: Some advice for parents

By Wendy Donahue
Chicago Tribune

You like to eat out with your small children at restaurants that don't serve Happy Meals. What are some rules to dine by?

Parent advice

Keep your expectations age-appropriate. Very few 2-year-olds will behave for more than 30 to 45 minutes in a restaurant. Some rules: Teach and expect good table manners as they grow. If your little ones make a mess, clean it up as well as you can. Dining out is a good time to allow special treats. Also, one trip to the bathroom per customer. If your children are misbehaving, warn once, then take your food to go. Refuse to allow your children to disturb other diners.

— Sue Schafer

The rules for dining out with small children should be the same as for dining at home. Too many parents don't establish rules or, worse yet, don't make it clear by actual action that there will be consequences if the rules are ignored.

— Ron Brown

Kids often misbehave in restaurants because they are hungry. Make sure they are not ravenous, and bring breadsticks or carrot or celery sticks. Bring something to do; the other reason for misbehavior is boredom.

— Marie Grass Amenta

Vegas and Chicago, believes in taking children to restaurants; he has done so with his own children. His advice:

Check in advance to see if the menu will satisfy your children's tastes and if the atmosphere is child-friendly (ask if there are crayons, special place mats, etc.). Those are good indicators; the availability of highchairs and booster seats shouldn't be a litmus test, Kornick said. Many restaurants also are happy to seat you at a banquet where your child can sit on her knees while at the table. If you're seeking a fine-dining restaurant, consider hotels. They are used to accommodating children traveling with their families.

Enforce the same standards you would have at a friend's home. “Some parents tend to take a license that all of a sudden this is where the kid can be wild and throw food on the floor and do things that would immediately get them sequestered at someone's house,” Kornick said. Never allow children to run between tables. It is a safety hazard on several levels, not least among them servers carrying hot food and beverages.

Supplemental, quiet forms of kiddie entertainment, such as DVD or MP3 players with headphones, are welcome in some of Kornick's restaurants. “If the restaurant is savvy

enough to seat someone right, it's not a terrible thing,” he said. “I don't think it should take up space on the table in a fine-dining restaurant.”

When in doubt about appropriateness, ask the server or host. Different restaurants have different business models. Kornick feels strongly, however, that parents should venture beyond child-themed restaurants.

“The worst thing is choosing a restaurant,” he said, “and they're happy and you're not.”

Expert advice

Michael Kornick, a James Beard-nominated chef and owner of restaurants in Las

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Lori Chandler
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Answer: Cleaning your porcelain throne requires some serious potty know how. (Some call my advice potty mouth.) First and foremost you must lower the water level in your toilet with your Johnny mop so that the chemicals have direct contact on dirt, scum and germs. Otherwise, you are diluting the strength of your cleaner in the water! Second, use a professional bowl cleaner. Don Aslett's industrial strength SAFETY FOAM is the best bowl cleaner in the business. It's advanced formula has proven superior to millions of professionals across the country! For a demonstration check out our video at www.cleanreport.com

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David Cooper is on vacation. His “Spilt Milk” column will return next week.

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Making toy food for toddlers can be easy

By Rose Hanson
For The Associated Press

Rebecca Haacke started making play food out of felt for her children because she was tired of cleaning out their toy box during recalls of lead-contaminated toys.

The 29-year-old from Orem, Utah, first made a whole stuffed apple, then sewed a ham sandwich with a felt lunch sack.

She is one of a number of mothers who, worried about plastic toys' safety and environmental impact, have created interest in homemade play food.

"It's not a run-of-the-mill, China-made toy," Haacke said. "I get tired of my kids playing with plastic all the time."

Miranda Kuskie, 25, of Nampa, went on a felt food sewing spree for her 3-year-old son because she was unimpressed by the play food for sale and concerned about contaminated plastic. She likes that her children can pile up separate strands of felt spaghetti instead of a plastic blob of noodles.

"They like to stick all the noodles in the pot and stir it up. And they can't really do that with the plastic food," she said.

People with little or no sewing experience can make felt food; there are fabric versions of strawberries, hamburgers and cupcakes that can be sewn by

hand with one or two basic stitches.

Crafter Deena Neimat, 29, of Nashville, Tenn., said it's satisfying to whip up a fabric carrot in 15 minutes or a milk carton in about an hour, then watch her daughter play with them.

"It's really just a night sitting in front of the TV sewing. It's not like you have to set aside hard-core work time," she said.

The items are durable and wash up easily, and many people expect them to become heirlooms.

Kuskie, who has provided some instructions on her blog, Keeper of the Cheerios, said people who make felt food find themselves examining dinner for a close look at food colors and for ideas on constructing fabric versions. She made her 9-year-old daughter a baking set that included bags of flour and sugar, pies, cakes, and a wooden spoon with a little blob of felt glued on to look like cookie dough.

"I've made everything from carrots and bananas with peels to chips with cheese sauce and jalapenos," she said.

Felt food can be inexpensive, depending on the type of fabric used. Many people choose acrylic "eco-felt" that's made from recycled plastic, while others prefer more expensive wool felt without plastic in it. Some



Cyra Niemat, 2, gets play food made of cloth out of a play refrigerator made of wood at her home in Nashville, Tenn.

AP photos

use old wool sweaters, while pricey felt made from bamboo can be found on the Internet.

At American Felt & Craft, an Internet store, a piece of wool felt about the size of a sheet of notebook paper costs about \$5. A sheet of wool/rayon blend costs 75 cents. Recycled plastic felt costs even less. A sheet of red felt would make a bunch of strawberries.

Andie Clark, 30, of Peoria, Ariz., co-founded American Felt & Craft earlier this year to sell goods for felt crafts. The company daily ships about a dozen orders of \$50 to \$100 each. Ready-to-assemble kits, especially the shrimp stir-fry, are top sellers.

Some crafters form groups to swap pieces of felt food, with each person making multiples of one item so everyone ends up with a variety. Trading felt food is also popular on Web sites such as Craftster.org, where people share ideas for projects.

After the apple and ham sandwich, Haacke starting making any food she could think of: sushi, a salad set, a crab bake dinner, caramel apples. And she turned her hobby into a business, at Bugbitesplayfood.etsy.com. She has had about 225 sales

since she started selling fabric burritos, cinnamon rolls, banana splits and other items in 2008.

Haacke advises beginners to start with something simple, such as cookies or pancakes. Here are instructions adapted from her blog:

ICED SUGAR COOKIE

Supplies:

Scissors
Cream felt
Pink felt
Cream thread
Pink thread
Needle
Stuffing

Directions:

Cut out two cream felt circles 2.5 inches wide. Cut out one pink felt circle 2 inches wide, scalloping the edges.

Attaching the icing: Pull out an arm's length of pink thread. Thread the needle, and double up the thread so it is two strands thick. Tie a knot at the end of the two strands. Starting on the underside, bring the needle up through the top layer of cookie felt and the pink icing felt. Bring the needle back down through the cookie felt, and continue on with this whipstitch. When you reach the beginning point, tie off the thread under the cream felt so the

needle between the two cream felt layers, and bring it up through the top layer, so the knot is hidden inside. You can use the same whipstitch to sew up the cookie. For those who know how to do a blanket stitch, that will give the cookie a more finished look. Continue stitching until you are about 2 inches from the starting point, and stop.

Fill the cookie with stuffing.

Then continue stitching to close up the hole. Tie off the thread with a knot and put the needle into the middle of the cookie to tuck the knot inside. Bring the needle back out of the cookie as any spot. Cut the string close so it will tuck back inside the cookie.

Adapt details to make cookies of various shapes and toppings. Brown felt cut into bits could be sewn on as chocolate chips. Beads (for older children) or knots could be added as sprinkles.

knot is not visible.

Attaching the two cookie layers: Thread the needle in the same manner with cream thread. Insert the



Rebecca Haacke, who makes felt play food and sells it online, works in her home office in Orem, Utah. Parents are resorting to making toys for their children to avoid plastics.



Play food items are stored in a play refrigerator at the home of Deena Niemat in Nashville, Tenn. Niemat made the food items and bought the wood furniture so her daughter will avoid contact with plastics.

Recovery

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own parental transgressions.

"I see now, I should have been tougher on them sooner," she said. "Being an enabler had to stop. I was worried about not letting him move back in and losing him forever. Now I see that it wasn't doing any good."

Chris Pleticha said he dabbled in marijuana, alcohol and crank, as a teenager, even shooting up at 18. He left drugs behind when he married but returned to the lifestyle after a divorce in 2002.

"It wasn't drugs but immaturity, but that's what I went back to. After my divorce I dove back into meth use. In high school, I was a weekend warrior, using low-grade crank, but after my divorce started using crystal meth, which is much more powerful," he said.

He ended up on and off the streets, going nowhere.

That changed almost three months ago. He said he'd been high for seven days and had a nervous breakdown.

"I was crying and felt like jumping off a bridge. I was sick of myself, for letting me down, for letting my family down, and wanted to end it all. If I had to kill myself to stop living the way I was, that was OK," Chris said.

Instead, he ended up at Victory House, an outreach of the Because of Jesus Ministries Church and Center at 450 Third Ave. W. in Twin Falls.

"I gave my life to Jesus Christ and haven't looked back, but I worry about how I will handle life when I'm not in that structured, sheltered atmosphere," he said.

His parents worry, too. For now, they are cautiously optimistic.

"He's been here before," said his father, Pete Pleticha. "But now I love Jesus," Chris added.



BLAIR KOCH/For the Times-News

Chris Pleticha, right, gets a hug from his mother, Joy Pleticha, during his Christmas visit.

"Whatever works," his father replied. "But I get sick to my stomach, worrying about his future."

All families with recovering addicts have issues to confront, and the holidays are especially difficult, said Greg Custer, assessment counselor with St. Luke's Canyon View Behavioral Health Services in Twin Falls.

"I suggest family members contact Al-Anon for help dealing with issues like codependency and healing," Custer said.

He said holiday gatherings with family and friends can trigger addicts to admit they have a problem.

"They get around family members and it's during those interactions, whether it's Christmas or the Fourth of July, when people decide someone has a problem,"

Custer said. "It can be quite stressful."

As Chris helped his mom peel potatoes for Christmas dinner, he was grateful for engaging in such a simple act and finally feeling like a role model for the nieces and nephews coming over later in the day.

"It's been years since I spent Christmas sober. That's the best gift ever," he said.

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Bear

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and with renewed energy. Monday afternoon, he ran around the house with his big sister, Bella, 7, following her as she rode a toy four-wheeler in the living room.

In September, Bear was too ill to get out of bed.

"Praise the Lord. He came out of this wonderfully," his mother said Monday.

As long as Bear remains in remission following his five rounds of chemo, a bone marrow transplant will not be necessary, his parents said. The prognosis is a 50 percent chance for five-year survival. He could remain in remission indefinitely.

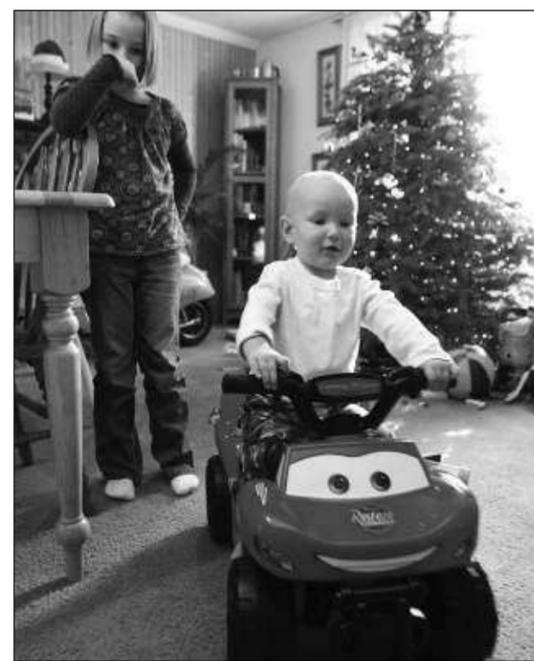
The stress has taken a toll on the young parents.

"You name it, we've got it," Andy Rebon said of the emotional strain. "She stays at the hospital with him and I stay here."

He said his wife now works only occasional shifts at her job at St. Luke's Magic Valley Medical Center. "When she comes home, she'll work a day or two," Andy said. St. Luke's has allowed her to take as much time off as she needs, and some co-workers gave her their medical leave to use.

While health insurance and supplemental coverage pay most of the medical bills, the Rebons struggle with lost income. Tenley said people in several states and other countries are praying for her son. "The praying is working, and that's the No. 1 thing we need above all," she said, crediting prayer for the fact that Bear has suffered only minimal side effects from the chemo.

Still, the parents fight



ASHLEY SMITH/Times-News

Bear Rebon rides a new toy he got for Christmas while his sister, Isabella, 7, watches.

feelings of guilt.

"There are certain genetics that come into play to make you more at risk to get leukemia, but he doesn't have those," Tenley said. "The first couple of weeks you kind of blame yourselves trying to think of what you exposed him to."

According to Chris Johnson, epidemiologist with the Cancer Data Registry of Idaho, the rate of leukemia cases in Idaho ranked second highest in the nation in 2006, with Maine leading the U.S. and

Minnesota coming in third. Idaho ranked third in the nation for leukemia deaths in 2004, '05 and '06.

"I don't know why we see the patterns that we do," Johnson said.

He also said Idaho's rate of leukemia cases is highest among non-Hispanic whites, another statistic for which he did not have an explanation.

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NEXT WEEK IN FAMILY LIFE

A psychologist's secret to falling in love? Planning on it

By Ellen McCarthy
The Washington Post

Robert Epstein believes that someday, in the not-too-distant future, many Americans will share his philosophy on relationships. And his philosophy is this: You can build love deliberately and choose whom to do it with.

All of this "falling" stuff, he thinks, will become passe.

Epstein is a psychologist and author whose previous research has focused largely on creativity and adolescence. He turned his attention to affairs of the heart after his first marriage ended in divorce. "It was personal," he says. "I've certainly failed in relationships and in very much the typical American way, which makes it very frustrating — when you fail in a typical way?"

In 2002, when a young

woman came in to interview for an internship and told him she'd never been in love, he had an idea: They set out to make her fall in love. The intern eventually backed out of the experiment, so Epstein decided to do it himself. After meeting a woman on a plane who agreed to be his partner in the endeavor, he began to employ strategies and behaviors that relationship experts have found increase feelings of intimacy: sharing vulnerabilities, touching each other affectionately and seeking adventures together.

The good news? They fell in love. The bad? It didn't last. She was from Venezuela, and the logistics were too difficult to overcome.

Still, Epstein, former editor of *Psychology Today*, has been shaping his theory that love can be orchestrated ever

since. It may sound strange to Western ears, he realizes. But Epstein's come to think it's the American way that's really absurd when it comes to love: "We grow up on fairy tales and movies in which magical forces help people find their soul mates, with whom they effortlessly live happily ever after," he wrote in a recent issue of *Scientific American Mind*. "The fairy tales leave us powerless, putting our love lives into the hands of the Fates."

To gain insights into another way of cultivating love, Epstein has begun to study arranged marriages. Some studies have found that over time the affection between partners in arranged marriages can surpass that of couples who chose each other because of love.

Epstein, 56 and remarried, taught a course at the University of California at

San Diego last spring in which students could earn extra credit by employing affection-building exercises with friends and strangers after class. Almost all the students who tried the techniques — including trust falls, synchronized breathing and prolonged gazing — reported greater feelings of closeness with their partners. (The psychologist has sworn off talking about his own relationship, but he will say his wife sat in on several classes that semester.)

The seed Epstein is hoping to plant in people's minds, through lectures and a book he's writing, is that we may have greater control than we think over this wily thing called love.

And if that doesn't sound particularly romantic?

"All I can say is there's nothing romantic about failure," Epstein answers.

In most cases, sleepwalking is no nightmare venture

By Tom Wilkinson
The Washington Post

School who has been studying sleep for 15 years.

Here is what can, and does, happen: The child gets out of bed and climbs out a window. Or gets out of bed, walks down a hallway, perhaps goes down a flight of stairs, navigates through a room or two, opens a door, walks out on the patio and, maybe, steps into the backyard swimming pool.

The child is sleepwalking. According to some estimates, up to 17 percent of children have a sleepwalking experience between ages 4 and 12, peaking between ages 8 and 12. It is less prevalent among adults, affecting perhaps 4 percent of that population, although it can be more hazardous in that group.

Sleepwalking has been part of the human experience probably since there has been a human experience — it was mentioned in literature before Hippocrates — but not much is known about it even now. How it happens, yes; why, not so much.

It usually occurs during the first third of the night's sleep, and the characteristics are similar: Sleepwalkers often have open eyes, although they have a confused or glassy look. They might talk, although not clearly. Waking them will result in serious confusion, so experts say it is best not to.

"Monitor it, but let it run its course, unless they are headed out the front door," said Jodi Mindell, a clinical psychologist and professor of psychiatry at St. Joseph's University in Philadelphia. It can help to guide them back to bed, where they will probably fall back asleep and have no memory of what transpired after they wake up.

What you have with a sleepwalker is a "sleeping brain and an awake body," said Donna Arand, clinical director of the sleep disorder center at Kettering Medical Center, near Dayton, Ohio. "Sleepwalkers tend to do things typical of daytime activities. They have some, but generally a very diminished, awareness of their surroundings. They can negotiate routine patterns."

There is also a genetic impulse: The chances of a child's sleepwalking increase tenfold if a parent or another sibling were sleepwalkers.

Odd behaviors occasionally occur. Some — boys in particular — have a tendency to mistake the closet for the bathroom. There have also been instances of sleepwalkers making a sandwich and eating it.

The vast majority of kids will outgrow sleepwalking, which is why doctors don't consider it a serious medical problem. "When parents come in, what I do is explain and reassure them," said Judith Owens, a pediatrician at Brown University Medical

however: tripping over something, falling down stairs, climbing out a window, wandering out the door in the middle of winter in your pajamas. So what parents of sleepwalkers need to think about, Mindell said, is putting gates at the top of stairs, locking outside doors and windows, hanging bells on bedroom doorknobs, putting away sharp objects and generally picking up.

"A Lego village in the middle of the bedroom floor won't do well," she said. Baby monitors in rooms can alert parents that a child is on the move, she said, "but they're not so good if someone is just walking quietly rather than crying."

What experts call sleep architecture plays a significant role in sleepwalking, also called somnambulism and formally known as partial arousal parasomnia.

Everyone has a definitive sleep cycle, which lasts between 90 and 120 minutes and repeats itself through the night.

The cycle is divided into REM (rapid eye movement) sleep and non-REM sleep. The non-REM part occurs first and is itself split into three stages. Sleepwalking nearly always occurs in the third stage of non-REM sleep, generally the deepest sleep of the night. The stages are marked by different brain wave activity, and in stage three, the brain waves become really sloooww. Then suddenly, in some people, bam! Out of bed and sleepwalking.

How come? Don't know.

"We have no idea of what's going on in the brain," said Mindell, who has been studying sleep for more than 20 years. Arand, who has been working in the field for 30 years, theorizes that the brain's chemistry may not make the complete switch from one sleep stage to another.

So why do kids grow out of it? There are some answers, particularly in the dynamics of stage three non-REM sleep. That stage closes dramatically as one ages. It can be as much as 50 percent of non-REM sleep in the very young and usually starts decreasing by about age 8 or 9. It's generally down to 25 percent by age 18, says Arand, and most people lose stage three altogether by age 40.

For the young, the re-introduction of naps, some experts say, can help. If sleepwalking episodes are predictable, Owens suggests "scheduled awakenings": Wake the child up about a half-hour before the anticipated episode, make sure he's fully awake, and then let him go back to sleep. Keep it up for a month; "it seems to work in about 50 percent of the cases," she said. Different sleep environments can also be a cause — sleepovers, for instance.

HOW TO CHOOSE THE PERFECT POOCH

By William Hageman
Chicago Tribune

In the market for a dog? It pays to sniff around.

We know someone who recently made a spur-of-the-moment stop at an animal shelter and walked out a few minutes later with a new dog. A dog that wasn't housebroken. That nipped. That needed a crate (which had to be hastily purchased).

Our friend had the best of intentions — everyone wants animals out of shelters and in homes — but this was not the best way to adopt a dog.

The process takes planning and work. Here's a game plan for someone seeking to bring a dog home.

Think it out

The worst mistake that people make, says Karen Okura, manager of behavior and training at The Anti-Cruelty Society (anticruelty.org), is impulse adoption.

Don't pick an animal because it reminds you of your old dog, she says, or because you pity the animal, or because you lost your job and need to feel loved, or because the kids want one, or to save a marriage or relationship.

There are plenty of good reasons to adopt.

"The No. 1 objective is to save a life. People don't realize the number of amazing dogs being euthanized," says Rochelle Michalek, executive director of PAWS Chicago (pawschicago.org). "Dogs make great companions. They're great from a social perspective. Nothing breaks the ice like a dog when you're out meeting people."

Once you have a good reason to adopt, use your head.

"People should look at practical things," Okura

says. "Does someone in the home have allergies? How prepared are you to do a minimal amount of grooming?"

Also ask yourself: Do you have the time to feed, train and exercise a new dog? Okura figures a puppy needs two years of intensive training; older dogs, a year. Can you afford the financial investment? Even routine medical care isn't cheap. Does the entire family approve, not just one or two members? Everyone will need to pitch in. Will a new dog get along with other pets in the home?

If you're looking at a puppy, know how big it's going to get. If it's from a shelter or one of those "free-to-good-home" ads, take your best guess and be prepared for an adult dog that's 10 to 30 pounds plus or minus that estimate.

Choosing a breed ... or not

Figure out what you want: big, small, male, female, energetic, laid-back, etc. Every factor should be considered.

Is there a purebred that appeals to you? Study up and learn more about that breed's dogs, from how big they get, to their temperament, to how much they shed. Talk to a rescue group that deals in that particular breed. It can tell you a breed's quirks — and it might even have an animal that would be a good fit.

Two sites listing breed rescue groups are akc.org/breeds/rescue.cfm and netpets.com/dogs/dogresc/doggrp.html.

If you have no particular breed in mind, consider a mutt. There are a lot more mixed-breed animals needing homes.

They also tend to be less

prone to breed-specific health problems, and there's a school of thought that they're smarter than purebreds. They're also going to cost a lot less, in most cases.

"And their personalities might tend to be a little more diverse," Michalek says.

How to find the right dog

Okura does not recommend pet shops. "No breeder worth his reputation will sell puppies to pet stores, period," Okura says.

Backyard breeders? Maybe. They could be clueless owners or they could be running their own small-time version of a puppy mill.

"Sometimes," Okura says, "it might be an oops litter. 'She's only 7 months old and I didn't know she could have puppies! But if it's from the same address all the time, with oops litters, these are irresponsible people. Or they just do it to sell them.'"

Reputable professional breeders can be worth the expense and effort, but it's important to check them out beforehand.

"You can get a really nice dog from a professional breeder," Okura says. "If you're hellbent on a purebred dog, and you want the lineage to go back 10 generations, fine. But expect to be grilled, and possibly rejected."

"If you don't care about lineage (and still want a certain breed), go to a rescue, or an animal shelter."

Shelters are becoming prime sources for quality purebred dogs — well-kept, socialized, trained and family-ready — because of the economy. As well as those impulse adopters who had to have a purebred Dalmatian or Chihuahua or Lab and just as impulsively changed their minds and gave up the dog.

"Those dogs end up in our

WHERE TO START

Here are four Web sites that offer links to animal shelters and rescue groups, as well as offering a lot of helpful information for prospective pet owners.

AdoptAPet.com
Petfinder.com
Pets911.com
WorldAnimal.net

shelter," Michalek says.

A shelter dog can cost from \$75 to \$300, and very often are spayed or neutered and up-to-date on shots. A purebred dog from a breeder — sometimes the exact same type of dog — can cost two or three times as much.

Still totally unsure? Michalek has a suggestion: Volunteer at a shelter. You'll get an up-close-and-personal look at all kinds of dogs, not a bad way to educate yourself, and do some good in the bargain.

Once you've zeroed in on a dog, have a family meeting with it. Everyone. Mom, Dad, the kids, your other pets.

"It's important for the kids to meet the dog," Okura says. "People tell us all the time, 'My kids are great with dogs.' But we don't know if this dog is great with kids."

Go for the perfect fit

Don't rush it. Okura says to do your homework and find the perfect fit. Not an OK fit, not a good fit. The perfect fit.

"One of the things I tell people is to be picky. Lots of people feel guilty in a shelter, looking at homeless animals. 'It's bigger than I wanted,' or 'Look at all this hair.' We actively advise people who say, 'He's just not right' to keep looking. Because somebody will take the dog you said no to."



STORK REPORT

St. Luke's Magic Valley Medical Center

Cody John Berg, son of Kristina Dawn Perreault of Twin Falls, was born Dec. 11, 2009.

Kolby Kenneth Ledbetter, son of Lacey J. Jones of Twin Falls, was born Dec. 11, 2009.

Penny Paige Andreas, daughter of Samantha Lynn Roberts and Jared Nathan Andreas of Twin Falls, was born Dec. 17, 2009.

Ashley Ocaranza, daughter of Liliانا Peralta and Gerardo Ocaranza of Jerome, was born Dec. 18, 2009.

Kyrra LeAnn Garrean, daughter of Leslie Nicole Unger and Charles Bertie Garrean III of Twin Falls, was

born Dec. 18, 2009.

Damian Christopher Traugbher, son of Kathryn Ann and Timothy Jon Traugbher of Hansen, was born Dec. 18, 2009.

Hayli Mae Gordon, daughter of Tara Rashele Bolton and Justin Evan Gordon of Eden, was born Dec. 20, 2009.

Esmeralda Guadalupe Sanchez Rivas, daughter of Guadalupe Gabriela De Jesus Rivas Zavala and Miguel Jose Sanchez Lupercio of Jerome, was born Dec. 20, 2009.

Jakoby Gage Resz, son of Jamie Lee and Jesse Dain Resz of Twin Falls, was born Dec. 20, 2009.

Jessus Salvador Becerra Martinez, son of Yolanda

Martinez Becerra and Porfirio Becerra Valle of Twin Falls, was born Dec. 20, 2009.

Addisen Virginia Kohring, daughter of Heather Dawn Cowden and Benjamin Daniel Kohring of Twin Falls, was born Dec. 21, 2009.

Taiten Van Tassell, son of Cynthia Dawn and Reginald Van Tassell of Jerome, was

born Dec. 21, 2009.

Drezden Ian Tiggs, son of Alicia Jean and Dexter Tiggs of Gooding, was born Dec. 21, 2009.

Jaxon Lyn Koehn, son of Erica June and Jaylon Tyrell Koehn of Buhl, was born Dec. 22, 2009.

To submit engagement, wedding and anniversary announcements, contact Janet Cranney at 735-3253, or e-mail her at announcements@magicvalley.com.

Deadline is 5:00 pm Tuesday for the following Sunday.

ANNIVERSARIES

The Andersons



Donald and Marian Anderson

Donald C. Anderson and Marian L. Hall Anderson were married on December 17, 1949, and just celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary.

Mr. Anderson served 3 1/2 years in the U.S. Navy, and was employed by International Harvester Dealership, until retiring in November, 2008. He has been active in Boy Scouts of America for over 55 years, and has received many awards, including the Silver Beaver award.

Mrs. Anderson was employed at the hospital, Dr's Dean and John Affleck's office, and Crow-



ley Pharmacy. She has been a member of the Belles Lettres Guild for over 47 years.

The couple is also active in the LDS Church. They are the parents of 4 children: Janice (Jan) Heinz of Pocatello, ID; Jack (D. Ann) Anderson of Oceanside, CA; Scott (Susan) Anderson of Rupert, ID; and Nancy (David) Draper of Orem, UT. They have 17 grandchildren and 24 great grandchildren.

The family hel a special celebration on Thanksgiving in Orem, Utah with 45 family members attending.

Kids Only

A SPORTS FAN'S WISH LIST FOR

2010

By Fred Bowen • Special to The Washington Post

My wish list is filled with sports stuff. I know I won't get everything I want. But here's what I hope happens in sports in 2010.

- A baseball season with either my Boston Red Sox or the Chicago Cubs in the World Series.



- A dependable starting pitcher, or two, for the Washington Nationals.
- NCAA basketball tournaments that are filled with upsets and surprise

teams. I would love to see a 16th seed shock a No. 1 seed: That has never happened in the men's tournament. But that may be too much to hope for.

- Good health for the Capitals' super scorer, Alex Ovechkin, and for the Wizards' Gilbert Arenas and the Nationals' newest pitcher, Stephen Strasburg.

- A deep run in the Stanley Cup playoffs for the Washington Capitals.

- Speaking of long runs, I hope the U.S. men's soccer team does well and plays some exciting games in the World



Cup. That would help soccer become more popular in the U.S. I hope whatever team wins the World Cup wins the trophy on a real goal and not on penalty kicks.

- More fan support for the Women's National Basketball Association (WNBA), the Ladies Professional Golf Association (LPGA) and all women's sports.



- Lots of thrills and excitement from the 2010 Winter Olympics. The games start Feb. 12. I can hardly wait. But I hope there are no controversies about the scoring in the figure skating competition.

- I would love to see tennis star Andy

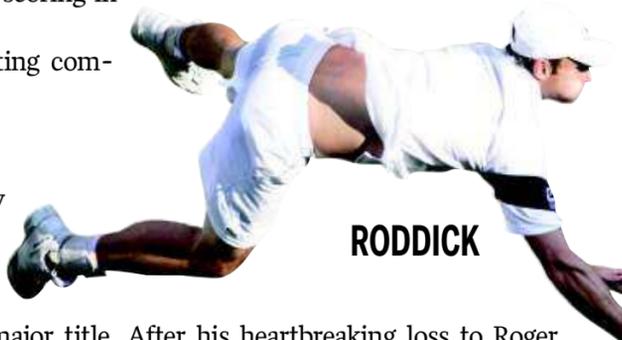
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win a major title. After his heartbreaking loss to Roger Federer in the 2009 Wimbledon final, I think he deserves it.

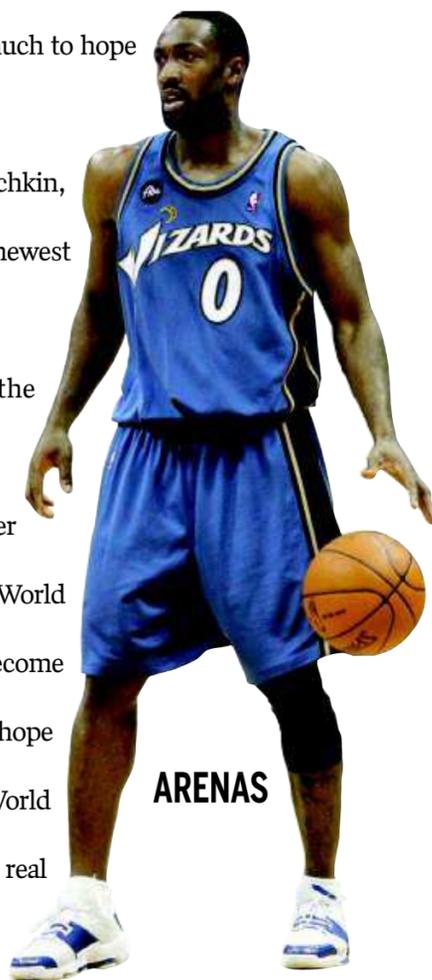
- A big year for former teen golf sensation Michelle Wie.



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ARENAS

That statue on the U.S. Capitol

By Moira E. McLaughlin
The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — The bronze statue of Freedom has stood on top of the U.S. Capitol dome since 1863. The figure is a woman with a sword at her right hand and a victory wreath and a shield with 13 stars at her left hand. She wears a long, flowing robe and a helmet that features an eagle's head.

Squinting up at her from below, you might think she looks pretty small, but she measures 19 feet 6 inches tall (that's about two stories high) and weighs about 15,000 pounds! She was placed on the dome in five pieces. When she was taken down to be restored in 1993, it took a helicopter to move her.

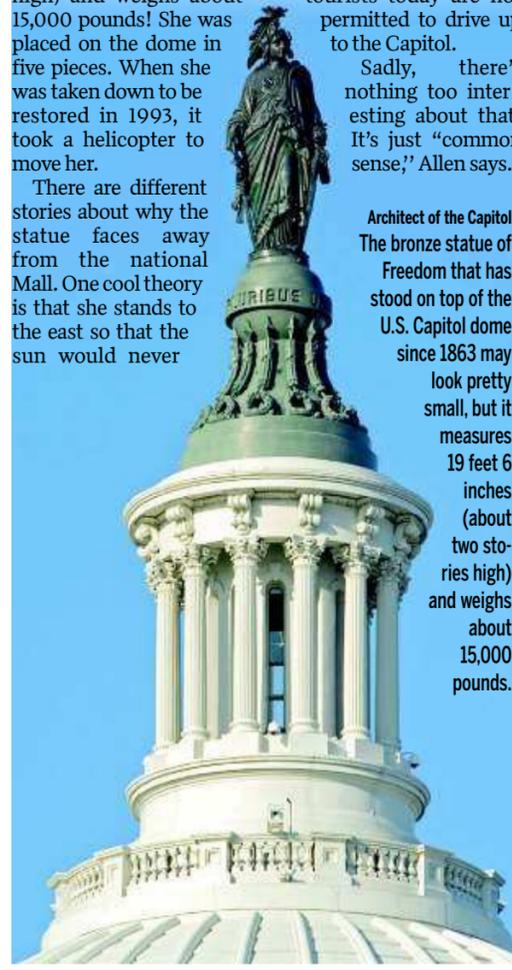
There are different stories about why the statue faces away from the national Mall. One cool theory is that she stands to the east so that the sun would never

set on her face. Another theory is that the city designers thought Washington would grow up to the east and therefore under the watchful eye of Lady Freedom.

According to Bill Allen, a historian on the architecture of the Capitol, neither of these explanations is correct. Rather, she faces away from the Mall simply because the east side of the Capitol is where the principal entrance is. That's where people in horse-drawn carriages and, later, cars could drive up to enter the building, although tourists today are not permitted to drive up to the Capitol.

Sadly, there's nothing too interesting about that. It's just "common sense," Allen says.

Architect of the Capitol
The bronze statue of Freedom that has stood on top of the U.S. Capitol dome since 1863 may look pretty small, but it measures 19 feet 6 inches (about two stories high) and weighs about 15,000 pounds.



A coach's advice for young basketball players

By Fred Bowen
Special to The Washington Post

I started coaching a fifth-grade basketball team this winter, the Woodlin Warriors. I have coached lots of teams. But because I didn't know all the players and their parents, I sent an e-mail that set out some of the rules for my team.

After I e-mailed the rules, I took a close look at the list. I realized it's a good list for any kid playing basketball this winter, not just my Warriors. So here it is.

1. Be on time for practice and games. That means you should be at the gym five to 10 minutes before practice and 15 to 20 minutes before a game. Players need time to stretch and warm up in order to play their best.

2. Tell your coach as soon as you can if you are going to miss a game or practice. Coaches plan their practices and who is going to play in the games. If you are missing when the coach thought you would be there, that can really mess up the team.

3. Get plenty of rest before the games. Basketball is a tough game that takes lots of energy. You can't play well if you are dragging around the court. So the rule is: No sleepovers before games.

4. Don't yell at your teammates for making a bad pass or a bonehead play. Everybody, including

LeBron James, makes mistakes. There will be times when you make mistakes, and you won't want your teammates yelling at you.

5. Don't even talk about the referees. Too many coaches, parents and players spend too much time complaining about refs and their calls. Calls that you think are bad or unfair are part of the game. Learn to forget about the calls and concentrate on your performance. More games are won and lost by the players than by the referees.

6. Practice on your own. Most kids' teams practice an hour or two each week. No one ever became a good basketball player by playing an hour a week. If you don't have a basket, practice dribbling on a driveway or in a parking lot. Or pass the ball back and forth with a friend.

7. Go watch high school basketball games. Pick a good player who plays your position and really concentrate on what he does. Notice his form when he shoots the ball, or how he positions himself on defense or where he moves when he doesn't have the ball.

8. Limit the video games you play. After coaching kids for years, I am convinced that video games make kids into watchers. Basketball is a game that requires you to move your whole body, not just your thumbs.