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Joseph Niccum cleans windows Thursday at the new College of Southern Idaho Health Sciences and Human Services building in Twin Falls. The state-of-the-art facility has earned Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design certification for its various energy-saving features.

Designed for future

health ed

Four years after conception, CSI to begin classes in new state-of-the-art, \$21-million health sciences building

By **Damon Hunzeker** | Times-News writer

Want to be a nurse? A radiological specialist? Or maybe one of those people doctors are talking to when they ask for scalpels?

After a year of construction, the College of Southern Idaho's Health Sciences and Human Services building — a \$21 million, 72,270-square-foot structure north of the main campus — is done. And, at least for now, it still has that new-building smell.

Students will begin classes Tuesday in the new facility.

The facility is equipped with some of the most advanced technology available for students pursuing careers in various aspects of the health-care industry, and CSI has about 700 people enrolled in health-science programs.

The building may occasionally be used as a venue for conferences, as well as classes in other disciplines such as English and math. But most of the rooms will be devoted to technical work in fields that, in addition to textbooks,

often demand gloves, defibrillators, novocaine dose charts, syringes, masks, and tooth-scraping dental drills.

The department offers 14 different programs — from the general, such as nursing, to the specialized, including digital radiologic technology.

First-year registered nurse student Edvina Jasarevic, 20, said she explored the building and walked away impressed.

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Annett Esplin, who helps set up labs for students, demonstrates how the students learn to give intravenous injections on a simulation arm in one of the six video labs at the building.



By the numbers

\$21 MILLION

Total cost of construction of CSI's Health Sciences and Human Services building

72,270 SQUARE FEET

Size of the building

400,000 POUNDS

Amount of construction materials recycled

\$42,046

Estimated yearly savings from energy conservation at the building

700

Total students enrolled in health-science programs

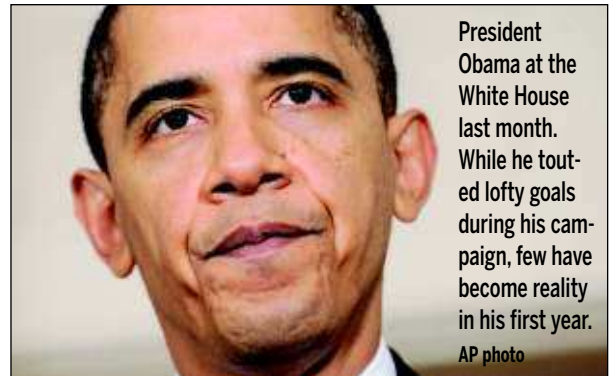
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Different health-related programs, ranging from nursing to digital radiologic technology

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New degrees added because of the building: medical coding, surgical first assisting and dental hygiene

Amid progress, unkept promises



President Obama at the White House last month. While he touted lofty goals during his campaign, few have become reality in his first year. AP photo

Many Obama pledges have yet to be fulfilled in year one

By **Philip Elliott**
Associated Press writer

WASHINGTON — President Obama ends his first year in office with his to-do list still long and his unfulfilled campaign promises stacked high.

From winding down the war in Iraq to limiting lobbyists, Obama has made some progress. But the president has faced political reality and accepted — sometimes grudgingly — compromises that leave him exposed to criticism. Promises that have proven difficult include pledges not to raise taxes, to curb earmarks and to shut down the Guantanamo Bay

detention facility in Cuba by the end of his first year.

“We are moving systematically to bring about change, but change is hard,” Obama told a town hall crowd in California. “Change doesn’t happen overnight.”

That was in March.

During his two-year campaign, Obama thrilled massive crowds with soaring speeches, often railing against an Iraq war that now is seldom mentioned. His presidential comments now are often sober updates on issues like terrorism and the economy, a top priority now that

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T.F. lawyer's office wired in perjury, extortion probes

Three nabbed trying to get money in exchange for changing testimony; lawyer praised for telling authorities

By **Andrea Jackson**
Times-News writer

Twin Falls police wired a criminal defense lawyer's office at least twice last year in perjury and extortion probes connected to two of his clients, court records reveal.

Local attorney Lynn Dunlap's office at 415 Addison Ave. E. in Twin Falls was outfitted with the audio and video surveillance equipment in August and then again in December while authorities listened on.

Two people were arrested after the August probe and were charged with perjury after allegedly attempting to change their testimony against one of Dunlap's clients in

exchange for money from the client.

Then last month, similar allegations arose against Alicia Blake, 21, of Twin Falls, who was charged with theft by extortion. According to court records, Blake is accused of agreeing for \$2,000 to not testify against another of Dunlap's clients, John C. Anderson, who was charged with battery.

For Dunlap, the cases are unique as they are the only ones of their kind to come across his desk after more

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Blake

‘Golden’ dance star returns to Twin Falls

Winner of TV dance competition holds workshop for youth at CSI

By **John Plestina**
Times-News writer

Returning to Twin Falls over the weekend, Riquel “Riqi” Olander gave back to the community where she

lived her first 19 years, presenting a dance workshop and signing autographs at Magic Valley Mall, saying she wants to make life more positive for local youth.

In September, Olander

and her five-member group, We Are Heroes, became the first all-female dance crew to win “Randy Jackson Presents America’s Best Dance Crew” hip-hop competition on MTV, taking home \$100,000 and the Golden B-Boy trophy. Two of the other four dancers are from Japan, one from California and one from

New York.

Olander and part of the crew presented the dance workshop at the College of Southern Idaho and a performance during halftime at the CSI men's basketball game Saturday.

Her mother, Connie Jones Schwamb, said the work-

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The dance group 'We Are Heroes' performs during half-time at the CSI men's basketball game Saturday night in Twin Falls. DREW GODLESKI/For the Times-News



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Pat's Picks

Three things to do today

Pat Marcantonio

- Audition for the Dilettante production of "Beauty and the Beast" from 2 to 7 p.m. today and 7:30 to 9 p.m. Jan. 18 at the First Baptist Church, 910 Shoshone St. E., Twin Falls. Information: Heidi, 731-0242, or Troy, 736-7136.
- Become more organized with the help of professional organizers through a College of Southern Idaho class that starts Tuesday. Cost is \$60, plus \$5 for materials.

Contact Diane Gause, 732-6442 or dgause@csi.edu.

- The five-time Grammy winning Robert Cray Band performs at 8:30 p.m. at the Knitting Factory Concert House, 416 S. Ninth St., Boise. Doors open at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are \$26 to \$50.

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

Law & Disorder...

... in Cassia County

From Dec. 18 police reports:

Larceny, etc.:

A 72-year-old Rupert man reported that his checkbook was stolen out of his truck. According to the report, he said he had been at the "Spanish bar west of Burley" the previous night and "met up with two girls there and they did not have a car so he gave them a ride to the Starlight Motel."

One of the women told him she needed to get some cigarettes, so he reportedly loaned her his truck. A separate report reveals that the woman, 32, was arrested for driving without privileges on her way to get cigarettes.

The man said he walked to get his truck but that it had been towed to the motel. He walked back. "Once at the hotel the other woman was gone," the report reads. Among the property listed on the booking sheet for the woman who borrowed the man's truck was a checkbook with his name, as well as his wife's name, on the checks. Later, according to the report, police discovered that the man had been drunk, that he knew the woman had his checkbook, and that one of the women at the motel was his girlfriend.

— Damon Hunzeker

Dancer

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shop and the appearance at the mall helped local girls to realize that they could become anything they want to be because the local dance star is just like them.

Now 22, Olander grew up training daily as a dancer. She also played basketball and ran track at Twin Falls High School. Olander completed one and a half years in an honors program at CSI when she left Twin Falls to join her sister, Keesha, in Los Angeles to pursue professional dancing. Three years later, she is a national dance champion with an appearance on The Oprah Winfrey Show, two on The Ellen DeGeneres Show and a dance commercial on MTV.

Olander said dancers are usually performing behind stars. The MTV reality show afforded her crew the opportunity to be stars.

"We took what people started doing on the streets and turned it not only into a business, but into something to make life more positive and make a difference in the lives of kids," she said.

"I want to be a professional dancer as long as possi-

ble," she said. "In the long run, when I get older, I want to open a dance studio and teach a whole new generation."

Jones Schwamb said most people don't realize that years of training and practice are necessary to achieve the type of proficiency that her daughter has.

"What people don't see is the years and years of doing things like this (dance workshop), loading up the car with peanut butter and jelly sandwiches and driving to California," she said.

Riquel Olander serves as an inspiration for girls half a generation behind her.

Bailey Stonebraker, 13, a student at Xavier Charter School, attended the dance workshop and said she hopes to pursue a dance career.

"It's fun. I really can't do much yet. It's fun to learn other styles," she said.

Rachel Johnson, of Twin Falls, is the mother of a 15-year-old girl who participated in the workshop.

"I think it's great for the children. It's something that's inspirational," she said.

TODAY'S HAPPENINGS

ARTS AND ENTERTAINMENT

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.

The Dilettante Group of Magic Valley auditions for the March musical show, "Beauty and the

Beast," 2 to 7 p.m., First Baptist Church, 910 Shoshone St. E., Twin Falls, (adults and a few children are needed for the cast), rehearsals begin Jan. 25 at the church, 731-0242 or 736-7136.

The Fabulous Vuanettes, 7:30 p.m., doors open at 6:30 p.m., Boiler Room at Sun Valley Village, 1 Sun Valley Road, Sun

Valley, \$15, (\$12 with valid Idaho identification), no cost for children 12 and under, 622-2135.

CLUBS AND ORGANIZATIONS

Secular Student Alliance at College of Southern Idaho, group encourages free thought

for atheists, agnostics, humanists, skeptics and anyone interested in learning more about these world views, 7 p.m., Room 87, Fine Arts Center, CSI campus, Twin Falls, open to students and members of community, bjensen@csi.edu, deadfor-sophia@live.com, scox@csi.edu or www.secularstudents.org/csi.

Men, women and caffeine make the world go round

Suddenly, it all makes sense.

The trade journal *Behavioral Pharmacology* last week published research that shows men are far more sensitive — and responsive — to caffeine than women.

Actually, the study was of adolescent boys and girls, so you have to factor raging hormones into the results. Still, it's revealing about caffeine and gender.

Ladies, think of all the annoying things the man in your life does. Snoring? Addiction to sports on a big-screen TV? Leaving his underwear on the bathroom floor? Boorishness? Multitasking while talking to you on the phone? Failing to put the toilet seat down? All, to a greater or lesser degree, can be linked to caffeine.

Behavioral Pharmacology looked at how caffeinated beverages affected those between 12 and 17. It found that boys would work significantly

DON'T ASK ME

Steve Crump

longer at a computer game to win a caffeinated soda than girls would.

Jennifer Temple, neurobiologist at the University of Buffalo, said she expected caffeinated drinks to work most strongly on those in the study who routinely consumed the most caffeine, regardless of sex. Instead, the results revealed a relationship between gender and the desire for caffeinated soda.

"We aren't sure (why boys responded more), but we speculate that it could have to do with circulating hormones and their effect on the metabolism of caffeine," Temple said.

Also, the fact that guys will swallow anything with "Unleash the beast" written on the can.

My highly unscientific

research at Starbucks tells me that coffee has become, by and large, a woman's drink. It's hard, after all, to overcaffeinate on a cup of joe because it's usually hot and can't be gulped.

But guys, we're swillers and guzzlers. That's why men dominate the energy drinks market.

How else do you explain the fact that the No. 1 mixed alcoholic beverage among men under 30 in this country is the Bull Blaster, which consists of Jagermeister — a 70-proof, licorice-flavored spirit — and Red Bull, a carbonated energy drink?

"If you're looking to get messed up, that's the way to go," bartender Cherie Skipalis told the *Great Falls, Mont., Tribune*.

"It tastes like (crap)," said bar owner Jaza Kralich.

That's no impediment to men, of course, who don't take the time to taste.

It was ever thus. My dad and my grandfather were industrial-strength coffee chuggers, and so was I when

I was in the Navy. If you're assigned to the graveyard shift on a ship that's being gently rocked back and forth by the waves, you'd better be caffeinated.

Now, of course, coffee has become *boutique*-ized — a beverage to be savored, like wine. Most guys just don't have the time.

I was visiting my son's dormitory at Boise State one time, and ran across a kid sitting in the lounge with a row of Diet Pepsi cans arrayed on the table in front of him. He'd read for awhile, and then swallow a whole can of pop without coming up for air.

After he stopped coughing and choking, I asked him if all that caffeine was keeping him alert.

"The caffeine? No," he replied. "But when the fizz comes out your nose, *that* keeps you awake."

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

Obama

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emerged as a major issue only in the campaign's final weeks.

Obama's campaign ambition has been diluted with a pragmatism that has been the hallmark of Year One — without much of the progress he had hoped.

A look at some of the promises:

THE ECONOMY, TAXES AND DEFICITS

Obama inherited an economy in severe distress that has since shown marked improvement. With the crisis developing so close to last year's election, it wasn't the focus of his earlier campaign promises. But Obama managed to craft his main anti-recession measure to address one of the top political commitments.

He campaigned on a pledge to provide a \$1,000 tax credit to 95 percent of all working families, and almost delivered.

The \$787 billion stimulus bill included an \$800 tax credit for couples making up to \$150,000, and a declining credit for those making up to \$190,000. The Tax Policy Center estimates that 90 percent of taxpayers qualified for a tax cut under the stimulus package.

Obama also promised to cut the federal budget deficit by more than half in his first term. That now appears unlikely, given the spending on the stimulus and the billions of dollars spent on bank and auto company

bailouts. The 2009 federal budget deficit hit a record \$1.42 trillion, and the red ink in the first two months of fiscal 2010 was nearly 6 percent higher than the same period in 2009.

FOREIGN POLICY

As a candidate, Obama touted his early opposition to the Iraq war and pledged to pull all U.S. combat troops out within 16 months. As president, he pushed that deadline back two months, to August 2010.

Even then, he will leave 35,000 to 50,000 military personnel in Iraq through 2011 to train, equip and advise Iraqi security forces, and to help in counterterrorism missions.

As a candidate, he vowed to prosecute the war against al-Qaida in Afghanistan, arguing that Iraq had distracted the U.S. from its anti-terror priorities. By the end of his first year, he had retooled the Afghan war strategy, replaced the U.S. commander there, doubled the number of U.S. troops in the country and ordered another 30,000 there by the middle of this year.

He also promised to "end the use of torture without exception" in U.S. anti-terror campaigns and to close Guantanamo Bay, which he called "a recruiting tool for our enemies." He signed an executive order outlawing torture, cruelty and degrading treatment of prisoners. A companion order closing the Guantanamo prison has proven more challenging.

Congress refused to fund

the transfer of any Guantanamo detainees to U.S. prisons, and foreign countries are reluctant to accept them. Obama did order the purchase of an Illinois prison to house up to 100 Guantanamo detainees. Still, Guantanamo cannot be closed until the disposition of more than 200 remaining detainees is resolved. A failed attempt at bombing a Detroit-bound airliner on Christmas has made that more difficult.

employees.

Although lawmakers have taken steps toward the broad outline Obama promised, it remains unfinished. The House and Senate have passed versions of the plan, but major differences remain. And Obama's left flank is none too pleased with the compromises to this point, which have all but eliminated a government-run insurance option, something he called for in the campaign.

OTHER ISSUES

On other domestic promises, from energy to education, Obama has been faced with a tight budget, a struggling economy and a deficit-conscious public that he will need to court if he seeks another term in 2012.

Obama also promised to require lawmakers seeking money for earmarks to justify their requests in writing 72 hours before they're voted on in Congress.

That hasn't happened yet. Nor has his pledge to post legislation online for five days before acting; he broke that pledge with his first bill, a non-emergency measure giving workers more time to bring pay discrimination lawsuits. A promised ban on lobbyists serving in his administration hasn't been absolute; a few former lobbyists were granted exemptions.

White House Press Secretary Robert Gibbs explained that by saying:

"Even the toughest rules require reasonable exceptions."

On his 2008 campaign Web site, Obama declared that "we must redouble our efforts to determine if the measures implemented since 9/11 are adequately addressing the threats our nation continues to face from airplane-based terrorism," including screening all passengers against "a comprehensive terrorist watch list."

The verdict on that promise came last month, when an alleged terrorist known to authorities boarded an airliner bound for Detroit from overseas carrying explosives in his clothes. Disaster was averted when he botched an attempt to ignite the bomb.

HEALTH CARE

During his political run, Obama said he would increase the number of people covered by health insurance and pay for it by raising taxes on families making more than \$250,000 a year and by taxing companies that do not offer coverage to

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Building

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“I think it’s really up-to-date, especially the nursing lab I’ll be in. It looks like a little hospital,” she said. “There’s a lot of space. It’s not crowded like the old building was ... Comparatively, this one is amazing.”

Jasarevic represents one of the people former governor and current U.S. Sen. Jim Risch, R-Idaho, presumably had in mind when he proposed the building nearly four years ago — which was later funded by the Idaho Legislature — as a way to help meet increasing demand for health-care professionals.

Yoli Perez, 32, will be commuting from Burley, where she works at Family Health Services, at least once a week as she begins classes for her medical-assistant certification. She hopes to become a nurse eventually.

“I changed my plans. I was going to do the RN program, but because of finances, I took a step back and went with this,” Perez said.

Completing requirements for enrollment in the medical-assistant program will take less time, just two semesters, than the RN program and will cost less — but, she emphasized, she’ll go back later. Meanwhile, the certification will allow her to develop codes for billing and generally assist doctors in the front office of a clinic or hospital.

“This is the first day I went into the building, and I’m, like, ‘wow,’” she said. “All of the rooms are getting set up for students to do hands-on work.”

A professional setting

Dr. Mark Sugden, instructional dean of the department, discussed various aspects of the building and the programs it serves.

“Everybody’s aware of doctors, nurses, dentists ... I think generally the public is unaware of how many different types of professionals there are in the health-care system,” Sugden said.

Because of the space and technological improvements provided by construction of the new facility, three new fields of study will be available: medical coding, surgical first assisting, and dental hygiene.

Medical coding, Sugden explained, is part of the billing process that involves the development of diagnostic codes for doctors and insurance companies.

Surgical first assistants directly respond to what surgeons request during surgical procedures.

“They can extract body parts, hold things out of the way, tie things off, all of the things required during a surgical procedure. But they’re not the surgeon,” Sugden said. “That scalpel has to be the requested one exactly. It takes them a year to learn how to carry out all of the tasks in an operating room. There’s no room for error here, and it requires that the student be very well trained.”

Regardless of the discipline, each program in the department, from nursing to billing, requires some sort of license from a national board.

“Completing the education isn’t enough,” Sugden said. “The students all know at the end of this there’s a big test not administered by the college but by some national body that provides the license for that program.”

The room to learn

One benefit of the building is its size.

According to Sugden, the building has nine classrooms, three auditorium-like lecture halls, nine program laboratories, three conference rooms and 36 offices for staff.

Having a larger building for the health science department has allowed the school to purchase more equipment and provide better access to new technology for a greater number of students

For example, students from several programs will use computerized simu-



Kelly Ippolito prepares computers on Thursday for Tuesday’s start of classes in one of the new building’s computer labs.

ASHLEY SMITH/Times-News



Bethany Shutte, 5, gives her 3-year-old brother, Sam, a hug as their mother, Leslie, a lab instructor for the College of Southern Idaho EMS program, checks out the college’s Health Sciences and Human Services building last week on the CSI campus.

MEAGAN THOMPSON/
Times-News

Quotable

“This is the first day I went into the building, and I’m, like, ‘wow.’”

— Yoli Perez, 32, who works at Family Health Services in Burley and will commute weekly to the school once she starts classes, following a tour of the building last week

lation mannequins, essentially programmable robots that can exhibit symptoms of everything from swine flu to strokes and then respond as a human would. The mannequins, which cost up to \$60,000 each, allow potential paramedics and nurses-in-training to receive feedback as they practice diagnoses and treatments without the threat of injuring anybody.

In the past, health-care workers had to practice on real people — and it’s not easy to find someone having a heart attack, especially someone willing to entrust their care to trainees.

“It was hard to match all of the diagnoses to each student,” Sugden said. “It was all very difficult prior to the development of the simulations about six years ago. They’re much more effective teaching tools — expensive, but that’s what’s needed. And what’s really new here is that we have space to accommodate them in four simulation labs.”

The building’s capacity to accommodate more people and newer technology has also helped applications for grant funds — such as \$300,000 from the state for digital radiography equipment.

“We need to keep up with advances in medicine and keep pace with changes so our students are ready when they graduate,” Sugden said.

A open house for the public to view the building is in the works according to Sugden. He said a solid date hasn’t been set but the college is tentatively looking at holding one on Feb. 19.

Going green for ‘gold’

But it’s not just about the size and the stuff. In Sugden’s words, there’s “more to it than just square footage.”

The facility itself represents a type of advancement, as it was designed to be cost-efficient and environmentally sustainable.

According to Sugden, nearly 400,000 pounds of construction waste was recycled — and, he said, it’s estimated to save \$42,046 per year from energy conservation.

Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) is a ratings system developed by the U.S. Green Building Council that verifies a given structure’s energy efficiency and sustainability.

The CSI building is certified “Gold,” one notch below the top “Platinum” level.

“This building is unique. I think it’s the only LEED-certified building in south-central Idaho, certainly the only one in Twin Falls,” Sugden said.

The cost savings, compared to older facilities, is based on several engineering factors — including lights that turn off automatically in vacant rooms, low-waste and partially recycled materials, a complicated water system that minimizes and filters runoff, ventilation that provides fresh air based on the number of occupants, as well as a heating and cooling system that maximizes usage of solar and geothermal power.

“We were very careful in how it was designed. The world has changed a lot since the last time CSI constructed a building,” Sugden said. “And it seemed to make sense for us to put some thought into the people who would be in the building and to create something conducive to a healthy lifestyle.”

The facility, which was also designed with potential expansion in mind, features a patio on the second floor, a spacious commons area, individual study rooms, and natural lighting from large windows nearly everywhere.

“Instructors and students will be able to see if the sun has set, if it’s snowing or not. These may seem insignificant, but we put a lot of thought into building a structure that the inhabitants of would feel is conducive to a learning environment,” Sugden said, emphasizing that students were consulted during the planning stage. “They weren’t left out of the loop. They had input on a building that they would spend time in, and much of it is designed for what they’d want.”

Unlike most classroom facilities, it features plumbing in every room. Students can even take showers after class.

“I’m excited to be there,” Jasarevic said. “It really feels like I’ll be working in a hospital and not just a classroom.”

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AROUND THE VALLEY

Homeowners can apply for tax credit

Idaho homeowners may be eligible for tax credits of up to \$1,320, but only if they apply by April 15, the Twin Falls County Assessor’s Office announced this week.

To qualify, a property owner must have owned and occupied an Idaho home as a primary residence before April 15, and the net income for the applicant and spouse must have been \$28,000 or less in 2009. Recipients must also meet one or more other qualifications, including

being 65 years old on Jan. 1, a veteran with a service-related disability of 10 percent or more, disabled or legally blind.

Applicants must bring their Social Security numbers, IRS 1099 and 1040 forms, medical expenses not paid by an insurance company or Medicare and medical insurance premiums except Medicare.

Contact the assessor’s office for more information, including the full list of requirements: 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. weekdays on the second floor of 660 Shoshone St. E., or 208-736-4010.

— Staff reports

5TH DISTRICT COURT NEWS

Twin Falls County Thursday arraignments
Jerry O. Cox, 51, Twin Falls; driving under the influence, Feb. 23 pretrial, recognizance release, court compliance program, public defender appointed, not-guilty plea
George R. Galvan, 22, Twin Falls;

resisting/obstructing, \$500 bond, not-guilty plea, waived counsel, Feb. 23 pretrial
Jesus J. Malagon, 22, Hollister; possession of a controlled substance, possession of paraphernalia, injury to child, not-guilty plea, \$100 bond, public defender appointed

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Lawmakers focus on budgets, not going overtime

The 2010 legislative session started its first week with the knowledge that the state's budget crisis will dominate the months ahead.

While budget cuts also had a prominent place in the 2009 session, lawmakers stress that they are anxious to avoid a repeat of the 117-day session they endured last year, with taxpayers footing the roughly \$30,000 daily bill.

"There's still some fatigue left over from last year," said House Assistant Majority Leader Scott Bedke, R-Oakley.

The Legislature began with Gov. C.L. "Butch" Otter's State of the State address, during which he announced plans for 1.6 percent holdbacks totaling \$40 million this fiscal year.

Because of the down economy, he's also proposing a budget for the next fiscal year with no growth of revenue anticipated, eliminating more than 400 jobs — most of them already vacant — and setting the state for belt-tightening.

While revenue is projected to be up 3.57 percent in the next fiscal year, Otter's proposal is to budget \$83 million lower than what's forecast, as revenues don't always align with predictions.

In this fiscal year, for example, revenues are 4.72 percent less than what was forecast. Of course, that figure will change, since the fiscal year isn't yet complete.

The question of that \$83 million — and whether it should be planned in the budget — will likely be one that is asked frequently this session.

The Joint Finance-Appropriations Committee this week heard a presentation about the governor's recommendation. That's the beginning for JFAC, which will hear from state agencies that make their case and provide detailed numbers.

In the upcoming week, the bulk of JFAC's hearings will be related to the Department of Health and Welfare. This comes the same week that the state agency will start closing its offices at noon on alternating Fridays to save money.

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Forest Service seeks public comment on grazing allotments

The Ketchum Ranger District of the Sawtooth National Forest is updating management plans for two grazing allotments east of Ketchum and is looking for public comment on the matter.

The allotments in the Trail Creek and Cove Creek drainages cover 32,362 acres and are undergoing an environmental analysis, according to a district press release. Lava Lake Land and Livestock has been allowed to graze on them since 2001 and the district is proposing to authorize grazing again at or below current levels.

People with an interest in the management of the public land and cooperating agencies are welcome to provide their suggestions on what issues the environmental review should address. More information is available from the district office, 208-622-5371; the project team leader is Mike O'Farrell.

Comments should be received by Feb. 12 and can be sent to Kurt Nelson, District Ranger, Ketchum Ranger District, P.O. Box 2356, Ketchum, ID 83340.

— Staff report

LEGISLATIVE NOTEBOOK

Ben Botkin

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There's one thing that Idaho legislators have going for them — a newly renovated Capitol instead of the cramped quarters in the Capitol Annex building.

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With a new underground level that features committee rooms and many of the offices for legislators, lawmakers have also spent the week getting familiar with their new digs.

"I think everybody is

happy to be back in the new Capitol and they're still finding their way around," Bedke said. "It's not old hat yet."

Rep. Fred Wood, R-Burley, said the extra space and new technology make it much easier to get work done and

avoid stress.

"I think the Legislature has gotten off to a pretty good start," he said.

Rep. Stephen Hartgen, a member of the Capitol Commission, said comments heard about the renovation are that it is "elegant but not grandiose."

He's got a checklist of minor items suggested for improvements; some House members have suggested

adding a small shelf under their desks, which would provide a place to put small items such as telephone books.

He described the desks this way: "There's more room for our knees and there's less room for our stuff!"

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CASSIA COUNTY FELONY SENTENCINGS
Troy Wayne Peterson, 22, possession of controlled substance, two years prison determinate, two indeterminate, retained jurisdiction; possession of drug paraphernalia with intent to use, dismissed by prosecutor.
Holly Sue Ann McCuiston, 37, possession of controlled substance, treatment diversion; possession of controlled substance, dismissed by prosecutor.

DRIVING UNDER THE INFLUENCE SENTENCINGS
Juan Pablo Barajas, 27, driving under the influence, \$300 fine, \$78.50 costs, driver's license suspended 90 days, 24 months probation, 90 days jail, 88 suspended, two credited.
Thomas C. Kent, 40, driving under the influence, \$242 fine, \$140.50 costs, driver's license suspended 90 days, 24 months probation, 90 days jail, 32 suspended, 68 credited, 30 days community service suspended; unlawful possession of firearm by convicted felon, dismissed by prosecutor; alcohol open container violation, dismissed by prosecutor; carrying concealed weapon without a license, dismissed by prosecutor; possession of controlled substance, \$242 fine, \$85.50 costs, 24 months probation, 180 days jail suspended; possession of drug paraphernalia with intent to use, dismissed by prosecutor.
Jason Dimond, 27, driving under the influence, \$300 fine, \$132.50 costs, driver's license suspended 90 days, 12 months probation, 60 days jail, 58 suspended, one credited; alcohol open container violation, dismissed by prosecutor.
Dustin R. Cook, 20, driving under the influence, \$300 fine, \$132.50 costs, driver's license suspended 90 days, 12 months probation, 90 days jail, 88 suspended, one credited.
Esteban Balderas, 19, driving under the influence amended to driving under the influence (under age 21), \$150 fine, \$132.50 costs, driver's license suspended 365 days, 18 months probation.

MISDEMEANOR SENTENCINGS
Garrett I. Dearing, 20, driving without privileges, \$200 fine, \$102.50 costs, driver's license suspended 180 days, six months probation, 90 days jail, 88 suspended, four days community service in lieu of jail; failure to appear for misde-

meanor citation, dismissed by prosecutor.
Rudy Garcia, 45, driving without privileges, \$300 fine, \$102.50 costs, driver's license suspended 180 days, 12 months probation, 90 days jail, 88 suspended, one credited, two days community service in lieu of jail.
Samantha Lynn Rocha, 39, leaving the scene of an accident amended to providing false information,

\$1,000 fine, \$400 suspended, \$87.50 costs, 12 months probation, 90 days jail, 88 suspended, four days community service in lieu of jail, jail sentences concurrent, consecutive fines; failure to purchase or invalid driver's license, \$300 fine, \$200 suspended, \$122.50 costs, 12 months probation, 30 days jail, 28 suspended, four days community service in lieu of jail.

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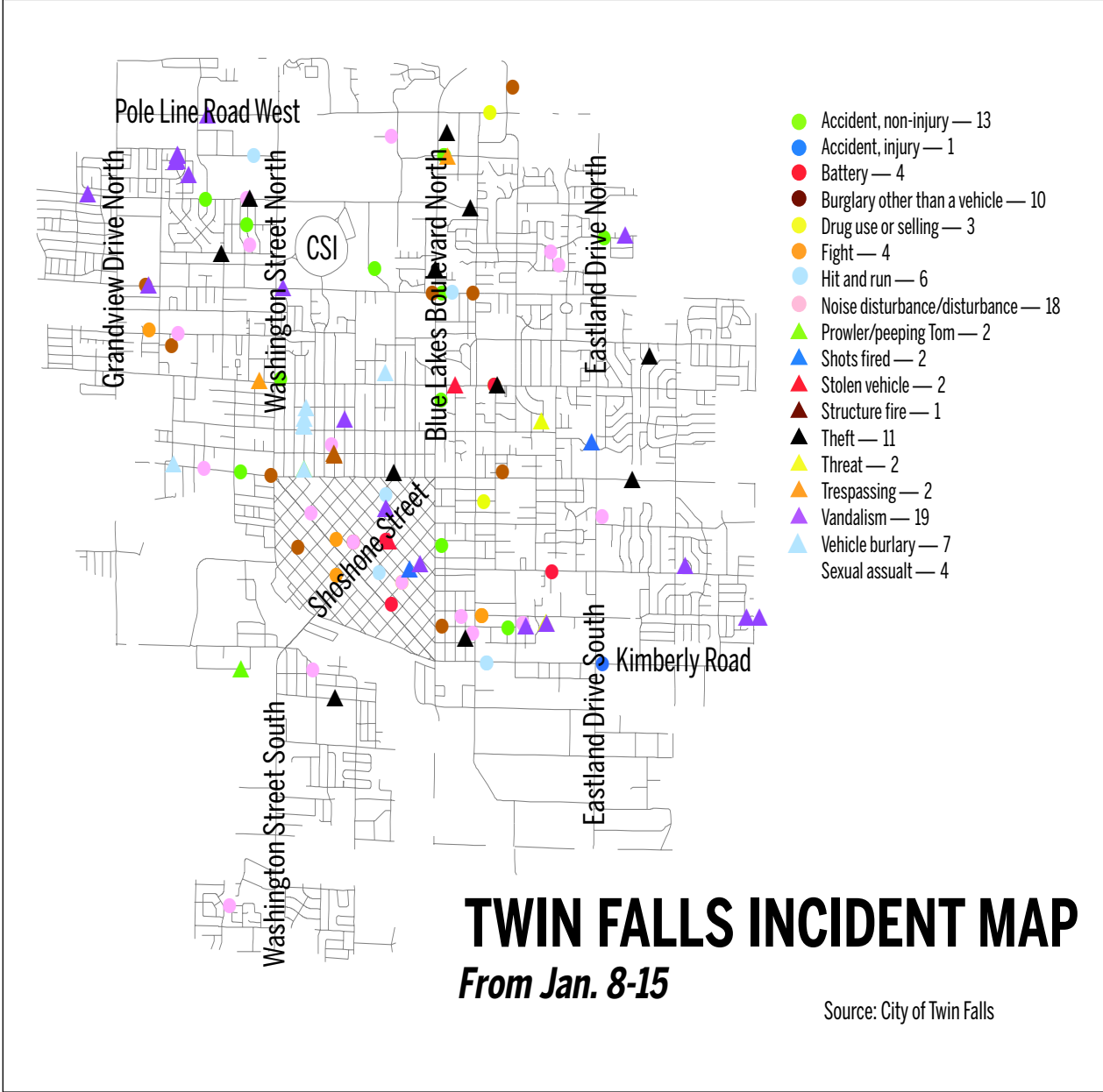
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Citizen’s Police Academy offers look at cops’ lives

By John Plestina
Times-News writer

JEROME — Gun-wielding assailants flashed in front of seven participants in the shooting simulator at the College of Southern Idaho’s law-enforcement training program during the first Jerome Citizens’ Police Academy held Wednesday and Thursday.

Participants got a taste of the training officers go through, while local law enforcement saw it as a means of raising the bar on community relations.

Jerome Police Chief Dan Hall touted the success of the program — a cooperative effort between Jerome police and the Jerome County Sheriff’s Office — and said he would like to hold a second academy later this year.

“We want you to be able to not only have an appreciation for law enforcement but to feel comfortable in talking with us, reporting crimes, telling us what might be going on in your neighborhood,” he said.

“I think it’s been informative. It shed a lot of light on what local law enforcement does,” said academy participant Jeff Jacobson. “They have training and capabilities I didn’t think they had. There are limitations I did-



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n’t think they had, also. Overall, they are doing a great job.”

Kayleen Allison, a 2009 Jerome High School graduate considering a career in law enforcement called participation in the academy “an educational experience.”

The academy also drew praise from civic leaders.

“I think that we are incredibly lucky to have such talented and intelligent people on our police and sheriff’s departments. What a great resource we have in our community,” said Jerome City Councilwoman Dawn Soto.

The CSI program is the Magic Valley facility for Idaho’s Peace Officer Standards and Training.

The interactive simulator used by people law-enforcement trainees included video images of the “Terminator,” now Calif. Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger, John Travolta, Bruce Lee, Sylvester Stallone and others. There were also scenarios that forced participants to decide whether to respond with deadly force.

Jerome Police Sgt. Duane Rubink compared the simulator to a big Nintendo game system. It is an \$18,000 video game of sorts, he said, with scenarios that afford officers help with their decision making.

“You can never shoot fast enough to make up for your misses,” said Rubink, a certified POST instructor.

Safety of innocent persons is stressed, he said. Officers must be aware of bystanders and windows when they discharge their firearms.

“Sometimes the officers and deputies out there don’t think they have the support of the people,” said Jerome County Sheriff Doug McFall, while talking to the group about the life of an officer. “When we’re having lunch at Choate’s, and someone comes up and tells us they appreciate the job we’re doing, it really makes our day.”

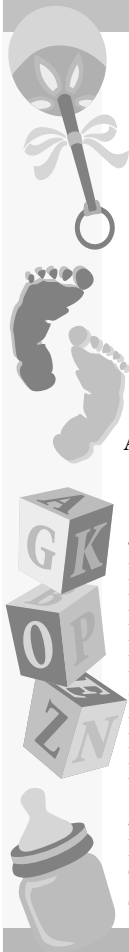
He said people deciding to pursue law-enforcement careers must sometimes make life-changing choices because the commitment includes moral and ethical

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Herold Tim Martin, inattentive or careless driving, \$100 fine, \$87.50 costs, 10 days jail suspended.
Jose M. Cardenas, driving with-

out privileges, \$500 fine, \$102.50 costs, driver’s license suspended 180 days, 12 months probation, 180 days jail, 160 suspended, three credited, to serve 34 days total.
Charles Edward Nelson, 29, driving without privileges, \$500 fine, \$152.50 costs, driver’s license suspended 180 days, 12 months probation, 180 days jail, 178 suspended, one credited.


Louis Robert Cordova Jr., 32, felony aggravated assault with deadly weapon amended to misdemeanor exhibition or use of deadly weapon, \$100 fine, \$137.50 costs, 12 months probation, 90 days jail, 87 suspended, three credited; use of a deadly weapon in commission of a felony, dismissed by prosecutor; possession of controlled substance, 12 months probation, 180 days jail suspended.



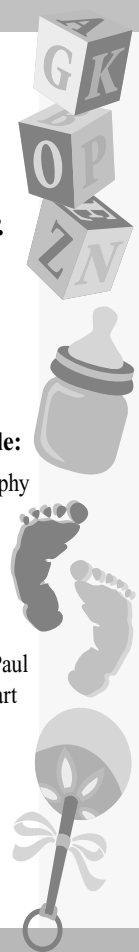
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T.F. Co. commissioners give Schilder expansion green light

By Blair Koch
Times-News correspondent

After considering an appeal by concerned neighbors, Twin Falls County commissioners decided Friday a heifer operation near Castleford was properly permitted last year, paving the way for John, Agnes and B.J. Schilder to move forward in converting a dairy they purchased into a confined-animal feeding operation.

The number of permitted animal units for the facility increased from 420 to 999. The decision to stand behind Planning and Zoning Administrator Rick Dunn’s Sept. 23 approval pleased the zoning official.

“The commissioners made the right decisions,” Dunn said.

B.J. Schilder, who first heard about the decision when contacted by the *Times-News*, said, “That’s good to know, wonderful news. ... Rules are rules and we abided by them.”

Schilder pointed to conditions they had to meet in order for the former dairy to be converted into a heifer operation.

“The concerns, points they brought up, we had already addressed those ... we’re happy by the decision and ability to now move forward,” Schilder said.

Commissioners Tom Mikesell and George Urie addressed the issue as Commissioner Terry Kramer had previously recused himself from discussions due to a business relationship with facility owners.

“After careful review and consideration we found that Idaho Code and county code was upheld through the proceedings. As such, we decided

to uphold the decision on this application that was made by Planning and Zoning administration,” Mikesell said.

Nearly 20 neighbors filed an appeal in October and Amy Scott, who lives near the Schilders’ facility, said she worries the commissioners’ decision will have a ripple effect.

“I’m worried that we will turn into Jerome County, where there are dairies, CAFOs, one after the other, side by side,” Scott said. “The people making the decisions about this don’t live next to these facilities and don’t really now how these expansions effect neighbors.”

Scott said the policy of allowing existing operations to expand to 999 animal units with the approval of one unelected official is “a big loophole.”

“This isn’t about us being anti-dairy,” Scott said.

The group had many concerns, including setbacks and possible run-off into a canal. The group also argued that Dunn should not have the power to single-handedly approve such a request.

That issue was settled by an Idaho Supreme Court ruling in 2003. In *Chisholm v. Twin Falls County* the court ruled that a P&Z administrator is authorized to sign off on CAFO applications small enough to not require a special, or conditional-use permit or anything with fewer than 1,000 animal units.

The permit allows the equivalent of more than 1,100 animals to be housed on the land but planning and zoning has stated heifer operations require less water and produce less waste than dairies.

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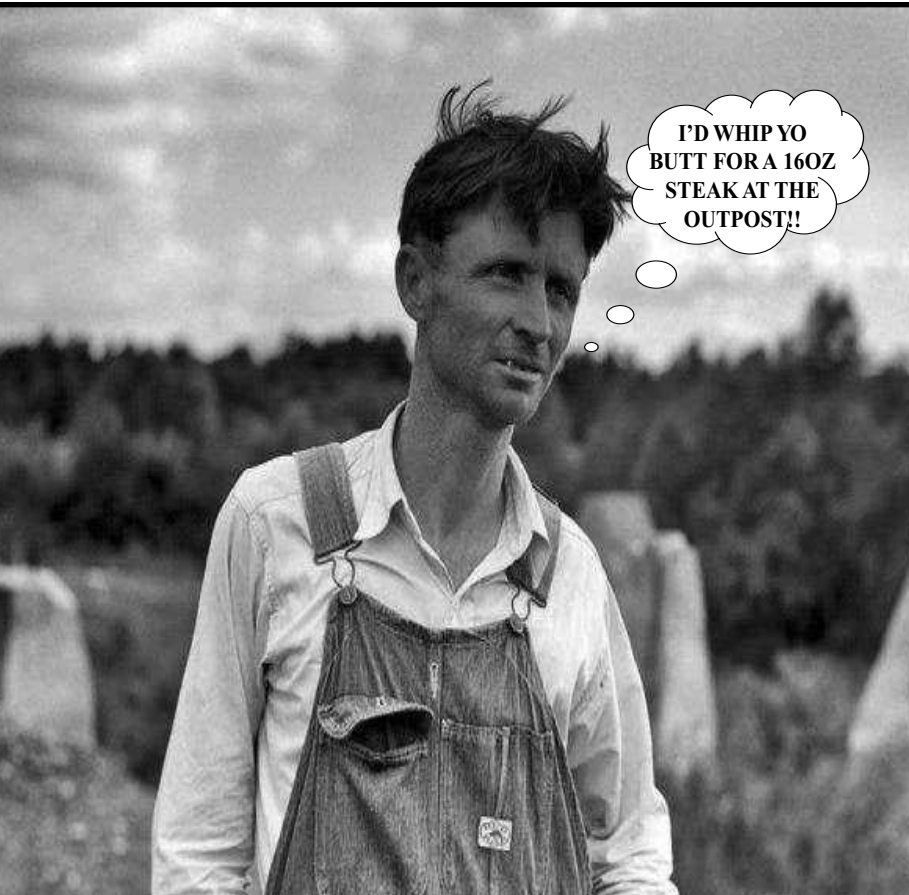
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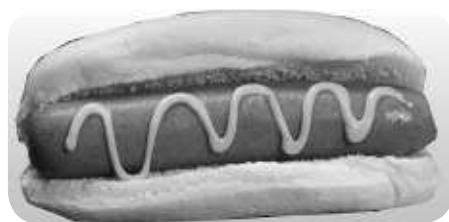
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Paul council discusses city park, potential library

By Coreen Hart
Times-News correspondent

PAUL — The Paul City Council on Wednesday heard a request from Delores Brewerton to start a library within city limits.

“I lived in Albion and they had their own library,” Brewerton said. “Now I would like to have one in Paul.”

She said she wasn’t asking for funds at this time, but for permission to proceed with locating volunteer help and donors, and an available building. She feels that about 10 people could accomplish the program and “make a difference in Paul.”

“At this point we have a lot of groundwork to do,” she said. “I just want the chance to see if we can get a library for Paul. I take a lot of books to the Burley library. I buy them and if they are good, I donate them. But there is no sense in that. We ought to keep them here.”

The council gave its initial support for Brewerton to pursue options for a library.

In other business, an audit of the city’s 2009 finances showed expenses for the 11.5-acre Paul City Park have exceeded donations by \$62,000. Councilman Rich Rau said he had received a donation from Mr. and Mrs. Kent Fletcher for \$2,500 and was confident the community was behind him on the park’s development.

Rau said plans for a Frisbee golf course at the park are progressing in the design phase. Plans call for a stone with a plaque detailing the course layout and a list of course sponsors. Rau said tree planting has begun, and he intends to have 140 trees and 2,400 plants added to the park.

“Frisbee golf is very popular right now. The field at Walcott is getting good use,” he said.

Rau said he feels sponsor-

ships will cover park expenses, and he hopes to seek grant funding for the next two years.

The council gave its consent for Rau to pursue grant funding for further park development.

Councilman Bob Dempsey reported on the animal shelter volunteers, and said the Rupert City Council has agreed to have their grant writer pursue funds for improvements at its shelter. He mentioned that Waggin’ Tails’ Animal Rescue volunteers had successfully adopted out a dog that was going to new owners in Brussels, Belgium.

Incumbent councilmen Bruce Hossfeld and Kent McClellan were sworn into their new terms by City Clerk Laura Haag. Hossfeld was also elected council president.

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Filer School Board gets construction, grant updates

By John E. Swayze
Times-News correspondent

FILER — The Filer School District’s \$15.6 million building project remains on schedule and \$2.2 million under budget.

Brennan Construction Supervisor Joe Reams told the district’s board on Wednesday that bidding for construction projects is set to begin next week, with bids opened on Feb. 23.

Items up for bid or still under consideration include irrigation and sod for the high school campus, upgrades to the high school parking lot, completion of a roofing project at the middle school and paving of the middle school’s east parking lot.

The board also gave district administrators approval to complete a 21st Century grant application for up to \$300,000 in federal funds for educational programs.

“I would especially like to

see us using these types of programs to reach those students who have yet to be inspired or have not connected to the school experience any other way,” said Filer Middle School Principal Gary Moon. “I can even see high school students coming over and helping the lower grades learn with this.”

The five-year grant can be renewed, though its yearly graduated scale concerned some board members, who stipulated the completed application be given board review before its submission.

“I think reaching kids this way is a great idea, but what happens once the money runs out?” board member Aaron Williams asked. “At the end of that time, if we don’t have or can’t find the money to keep this program going, it will probably be gone.”

In other decisions, the board and Canyon Ridge

High School in Twin Falls made an agreement to allow Filer High School senior Alexandra Ettenger play tennis in Twin Falls but represent Filer High School, which currently doesn’t have a tennis team or facilities for the sport.

Ettenger moved from Grace Academy in Chattanooga, Tenn., where she was the school’s top singles player as a sophomore, to Filer High School in her junior year.

“I think it’s good that we try to provide students with the opportunity to play the sport of their choice,” board member Judy Lea Smith said. “To be the No. 1 seed in Chattanooga wouldn’t be easy.”

The board will hold its next public meeting at 7 p.m. Feb. 10 in the Filer Elementary School library.

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Obama mortgage relief program fails to deliver

Only 750,000 homeowners out of projected 3 million to 4 million might complete application process

By Alan Zibel
Associated Press writer

WASHINGTON — President Obama’s plan to fix the foreclosure crisis has been a dud, putting the housing market recovery at risk. Hopes were over-inflated when Obama unveiled the program before an adoring

audience of Arizona high school students last February. Almost a year later, it appears only about 750,000 homeowners — a fraction of the 3 million to 4 million originally projected — might complete the application process, predicts Mark Zandi, chief economist at Moody’s Economy.com.

The more borrowers who can’t be helped, the more foreclosed properties will flood the market. And that means the nation’s housing market, which appeared to recover last summer, could soon take another turn for the worse. A record 2.8 million households were threatened

with foreclosure last year, up more than 20 percent from a year earlier, RealtyTrac Inc. reported this week. The foreclosure listing firm expects another record this year. Home prices, meanwhile, are down 30 percent nationally from the peak in mid-2006, and there is mounting evidence they will fall again over the winter as low-priced foreclosures make up

See **PROGRAM**, Business 3

More loan modifications needed

In December, only 65,000 out of 900,000 homeowners enrolled in the Making Home Affordable program received permanent loan modifications, while others have been approved and completed soon.

Percentage of trial loan modifications made permanent

TOP PERFORMING	WORST PERFORMING
OcwenFinancial Corp. 41.1%	Green Tree Servicing 2.5%
Carrington Mortgage Services 40.3	American Home Mortgage 2.1
GMAC Mortgage 30.7	Bank of America 1.5
Select Portfolio Servicing 16.0	PNC Mortgage 0.5
Wachovia Mortgage 14.1	HomEq Servicing 0

SOURCE: Treasury Department

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Surviving CARS

With new car sales down, long-standing dealerships apply lessons from the past

Just above the door of Greg Wills’ office is a picture of him standing next to his mint-condition 1949 Nash.

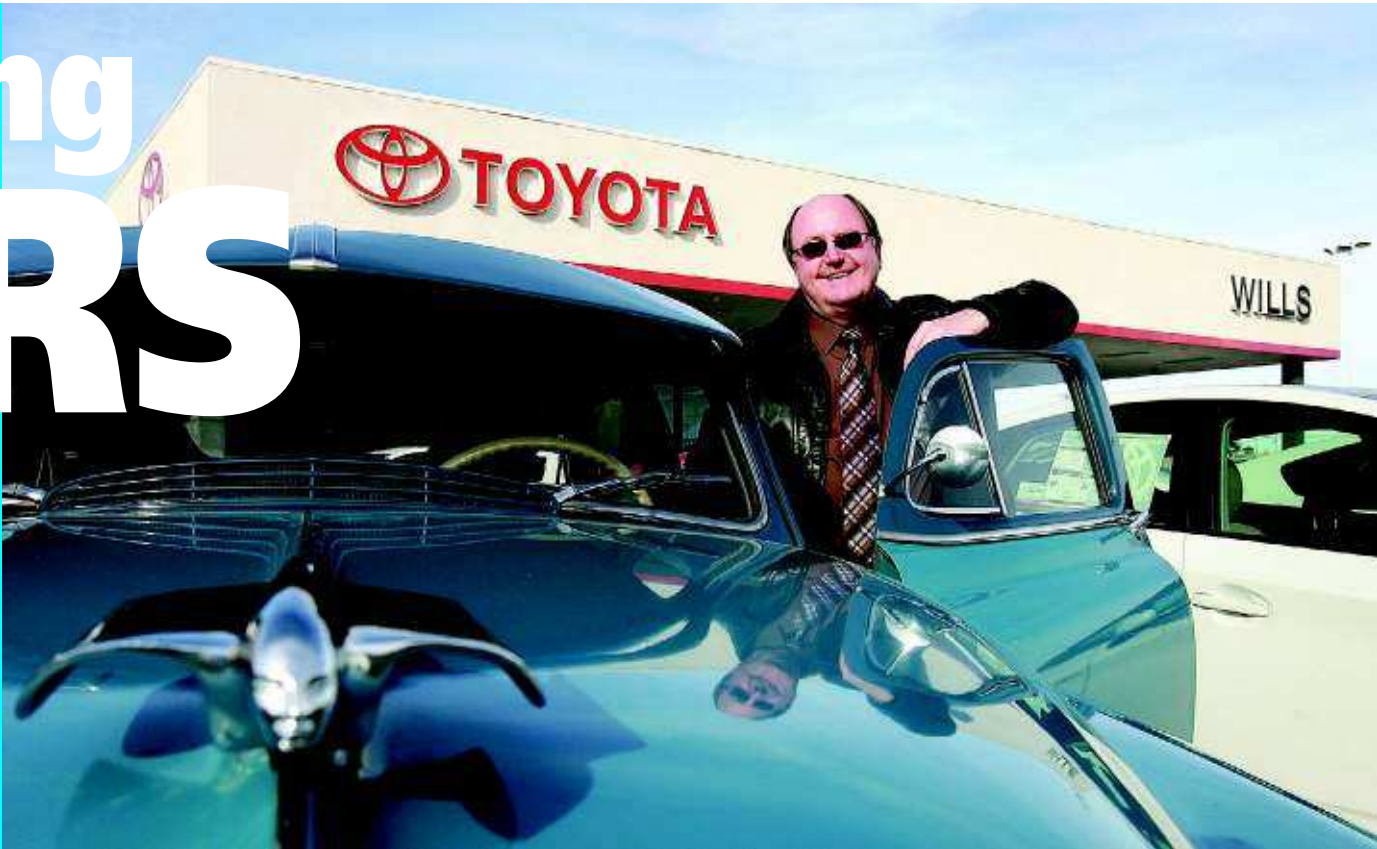
The car is more than just a collector’s item that most days is in a garage. It’s a reminder of the changes his family’s nearly 65 year-old auto dealership has endured since it was founded by his grandfather, father and uncle in 1946.

The downtown Twin Falls’ dealership has survived changes in family ownership, cyclical economies and even the brand of vehicle it sells. It struggled through a farm crisis, a fuel crisis and most recently a housing crisis. And it enjoyed a few economic booms in between.

All of the memories are eloquently summed up in a faded photo of a car.

“My grandfather, father and uncle started this business selling Nash cars out of a corner store when interest rates were around 20 percent,” Wills said. “So, yeah, I would say we’ve seen some changes and some ups and downs. But I think this has been the worst recession for us.”

By Joshua Palmer • Times-News writer



ASHLEY SMITH

Greg Wills, manager of Wills Toyota, stands next to his 1949 Nash in this photo. The car was one of the last cars his grandfather sold before he retired from the family dealership. Since 1946, the Wills dealership has sold three different brands and survived three recessions. But dealerships like Wills say the lessons they learned during the lean times have helped them survive one of the most difficult downturns since World War II.

Wills Toyota is one of a handful of new car dealerships in south-central Idaho that has survived more than 30 years of economic busts and booms — that’s about seven years longer than the average auto dealerships stays open, according to the National Automobile Dealers Association.

It was during times of hardship and prosperity that Wills, Canyon Motors Subaru, Con Paulos Chevrolet Pontiac GMC, and Middlekauff Auto Group — which acquired Jules Harrison Ford, Theisen Motors Inc. in 2000 — learned critical lessons that helped them through the current recession, which is being labeled the worst since World War II.

The Detroit-based auto industry consultant Urban Science said 881 dealers closed in 2008, and more than 200 closed in 2009. The decline was largely driven by fewer sales and dealerships that became top-heavy with debt. GMC and Chrysler also forced some of their dealerships out of business, based

on sales and market saturation.

Some collapsed under the weight of having too much debt at a time when sales applied the e-brake.

Twin Falls dealerships interviewed for this story said sales fell between 31 and 33 percent in 2009 compared to the previous year.

Put simply, 2009 was a lemon. “I definitely think the lessons we learned over time have kept us in business these past couple of years,” said Lowell Lytle, owner of Canyon Motors Subaru, which started selling cars in 1977. “It’s been difficult, but those of us who are still around have seen difficult before.”

The last time south-central Idaho was under as much economic hardship was in 1981 and 1983, according to the Bureau of Economic Analysis. That’s because high interest rates, rising inflation and poor commodity prices crippled the agricultural industry, which generated almost 70 percent of total cash receipts in south-central Idaho.

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Jurors turned against companies in product-defect cases in 2009

By Margaret Cronin Fisk
Bloomberg News writer

SOUTHFIELD, Mich. — Company executives gauge their standing with the public partly from verdicts U.S. juries hand down in business litigation. In 2009, they weren’t very popular.

The top five product-defect verdicts rose 52 percent in total value last year to \$620 million as juror attitudes on companies soured amid the recession and rising unemployment, according to data compiled

by Bloomberg. Among the biggest losers were Altria Group Inc. and Pfizer Inc.

“It’s a reflection of the fact that Main Street is hurting,” said plaintiffs’ attorney Tobias Millrood, winner of a \$34 million verdict against Pfizer. “In this climate, there’s a strong identification with the little man. Now a keener eye is given to the actions of Big Business.”

The largest product-liability verdict in 2009 was a \$300 million award against Altria’s Philip Morris unit in

Florida state court. Five of the 50 biggest verdicts involved claims of defective goods, according to Bloomberg data. In 2008, just one such verdict — \$265 million — made the list.

The largest verdict of any kind in 2009 was a \$1.67 billion award to Johnson & Johnson’s Centocor unit in June in a patent-infringement case against drug-maker Abbott Laboratories. It was the first billion-dollar jury award in more than two years and only the second since May 2005.

New York-based pharmaceutical company Pfizer lost verdicts of \$78 million and \$34 million last year in claims against its Wyeth unit over alleged breast cancer risks of its hormone-replacement drugs.

The \$300 million loss in November by Richmond, Va.-based tobacco company Altria included the largest punitive damages verdict of 2009. Punitive damages in that case totaled \$244 million while the

See **CASES**, Business 3

NBC’s prime-time tragedy: Its business model

“30 Rock” is NBC’s critically

acclaimed prime-time comedy starring Tina Fey, who plays the head writer for a fictionalized NBC late-night comedy show, and Alec Baldwin, the vice president for East Coast television and microwave programming, sent in from corporate headquarters to boost ratings by pandering to viewers’ worst instincts.

At its heart, “30 Rock” is a satire on corporate culture and the conventions of American business. But as self-parody, it can’t hold a candle to the tragicomedy



Steven Pearlstein

now playing out at the real-life NBC.

Over the weekend, the network announced that after four months of disappointing ratings it was pulling the plug on Jay Leno’s new prime-time hour and moving the aging comic and his tired format back to their original 11:30 p.m. slot, nudging

See **PEARLSTEIN**, Business 2

YOUR BUSINESS

MILESTONES

SMOKIN' COWBOYS BBQ



Courtesy photo

The Twin Falls Area Chamber Ambassadors held a ribbon cutting for Smokin' Cowboys BBQ, located at 835 Blue Lakes Blvd. N. in Twin Falls. Smokin' Cowboys has a second location at 222 S. Lincoln in Jerome. Smokin' Cowboys restaurants and catering are run locally by two cowboys, Bob German and Dale Hellwinkel. Visit them at their two locations or call them at 324-1008 and order to go. Smokin' Cowboys BBQ Restaurant will host their grand opening on Wednesday from 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. Front left to right: German; Farran McMaylor; Miss Idaho USA Jessica Hellwinkel and Dale Hellwinkel. Second row: Cody Burlington.

HODGES & ASSOCIATES

Hodges & Associates moved its offices to the Blue Lakes Office Park located at 834 Falls Ave., Suite 1020 in Twin Falls. The owner, Brad Hodges, CPA is an Idaho native and graduate of Boise State University. He was in bank management and lending for 18 years prior to switching over to the related field of accounting nine years ago. His final position in banking was executive vice president and chief credit officer of a community bank in the Portland area.

The firm specializes in individual and business income tax, accounting, and business consulting services. Hodges has been a Certified Quick Books Professional for several years. Hodges previously taught evening courses in Quick Books and Microsoft Excel at the College of Southern Idaho. In addition to his career in accounting and finance, Hodges also served in the Idaho Air National Guard for seven years.



Hodges

EUREKA CONSTRUCTION



Courtesy photo

On Dec. 10, Kurt Henderson of Twin Falls completed his academic and on the job training requirements for certification as a journeyman lineman through Eureka Construction's federally sanctioned electrical lineman program. Eureka Construction offers prospective employees the opportunity to gain federal recognition in both the electrical lineman and welding categories. Henderson is the first electrical lineman graduate from this program. For more information: Paul Holbrook at 280-1558.

ROSENAU FUNERAL HOME



Courtesy photo

Rosenau Funeral Home and Crematory located on 2865 Addison Ave. E in Twin Falls, had a ribbon cutting with the Twin Falls Area Chamber Ambassadors to celebrate their new funeral home and crematory in Magic Valley, and being a new member of the Twin Falls Area Chamber. Kevin Rosenau has been an active member of the Chamber's Ambassadors for many years. For more information: Kevin Rosenau at 944-3373.

Pictured from left: Carol Ransom, Paul Ransom, Mike Carraway, Chase Carraway, Kevin Rosenau, Kim Rosenau, Kirk Rosenau, Kira Rosenau, Andi Rosenau (baby) In front: Damon Rosenau and Tucker Rosenau.

Intrinsic Health Center welcomes new business

Marcy Blass of Intrinsic Health Center at 276 Eastland Drive N., in Twin Falls welcomes Marion and Tara's Massage and Nutrition for Body, Mind & Spirit.

Intrinsic Health Center offers professional and alternative health care options. Business hours are seven days a week from 6 to 8 p.m. by appointment only.

For more information or to make an appointment contact Marcy at 320-2267, Marion at 420-0488 or Tara at 731-8681.

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MODERN WOODMEN



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Members of the Buhl Modern Woodmen of America chapter recently helped raise \$1,800 for the Rising Stars Therapeutic Riding program by putting on a raffle on Nov. 30. This included \$800 matched by Modern Woodmen's home office through the organization's Matching Fund program. The money will be used to help children and adults with special needs through therapeutic horse riding. Modern Woodmen matches money raised up to \$2,500. These fundraising projects contribute more than \$6 million to community needs nationwide each year.

From left: Children program participants: Hunter Swensen and Hallie Jo Porath; from back: Terri Swensen, Charity Founder and Terry Downs of Modern Woodmen; holding the check, from left: Marni Porath and Tara Parsons.

BUHL LIBRARY



Courtesy photo

The Buhl Chamber of Commerce sponsored a ribbon cutting for the Buhl Library sign dedication with Kim Smith, Buhl Library Board, cutting the ribbon.

The sign was purchased with special monies from the Homling Trust Fund that was an \$80,000 bequest from Rolly and Eddi Homling in the 1960s.

Pictured from left: Kim Smith, cutting the ribbon; Mike Hamilton and Kathy Amoth, trustees of the Homling Fund; Cynthia Toppen, librarian; Rex Lytle of Lytle Signs; Janet Franklin, Buhl Chamber president and Mayor Charles Sheridan.

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Pearlstein

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Conan O'Brien and his "Tonight Show" into tomorrow. Even if NBC is able to deal with O'Brien's threatened defection, the decision represents an embarrassing retreat from what was billed as a "game-changing" strategy of replacing expensive prime-time dramas with low-budget news magazines, celebrity chatter, game shows and reality TV better suited to an era of market fragmentation and declining advertising revenue.

NBC's late-night farce is emblematic of just about everything that is wrong with American business these days.

It starts with the mindset that puts short-term profit over long-term value creation. Not long ago, NBC was the undisputed leader in network programming — the best news organization, the best sports team and an unbeatable prime-time lineup built around long-running popular shows such as "Hill Street Blues," "Friends," "Seinfeld" and "ER." But under the relentless pressure for quarterly earnings from its parent, General Electric, and under the leadership of Jeff Zucker, the Peacock Network has lost much of its luster, particularly in prime time, where it seems to have lost its eye for quality, its knack for innovation, and the patience required to develop and nurture loyal audiences.

Other than professional football, it has no top-30 shows; it has managed to bungle even some of its few successes, such as "Southland" and "Friday Night Lights." More than anything else, moving Leno to 10 p.m. five days a week was a tacit acknowledgement of the failure to think up compelling prime-time programming.

Unable to come up with something new and fresh, NBC's fallback — like so much of American business — was simply to do more of what worked, until it didn't. If one late-night show was good, then let's have two. If a cop show works at 9 p.m. on Tuesday, do a variant of the same show on Wednesday and Thursday. And if people will sit for an hour watching stories about people losing weight, why not make it two hours?

Remember: Nothing prevented NBC or any other of the broadcast networks from coming up with Jon Stewart's "Daily Show" or the "Colbert Report" for their late-night lineups, but you can bet your sweet bippy they would have rejected such ideas out of hand.

For NBC, the decision to move Leno to an earlier time slot had nothing to do with the desires of TV viewers. Rather, it seemed like a clever solution to the problem of having promised the "Tonight Show" to O'Brien five years earlier in an effort to prevent him from jumping to a rival network. It's a common mistake in business — letting key decisions be driven not by market demand but by the need to resolve internal conflicts.

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As NBC discovered, it rarely works out for the best.

We're hearing a lot this week about Wall Street pay — how excessive it has become, how it is unrelated to performance and how it has distorted business decision-making. In truth, all that started long before in the sports and entertainment industry. Even investment bankers look on enviously as Leno is guaranteed \$30 million a year, even for coming in fifth in a four-man race, while O'Brien earns \$25 million for attracting half as many viewers as his predecessor. No pay for performance here.

Truly great companies see themselves as part of a business ecosystem. They understand that their long-term success depends on having financially healthy suppliers and distributors.

But NBC forgot that wisdom when it decided to go for a strategy of low-budget offerings in prime time that would maintain profitability at the expense of program quality or ratings. It turned out that the new strategy posed an existential threat to the independent studios and production houses that networks still rely on to create their entertainment programming. And the smaller audiences that NBC was willing to accept for Leno's 10 p.m. show translated into shrunken audiences for 11 p.m. news shows that generate as much as 40 percent of the revenue for local affiliates that are already reeling from the recession and competition from Internet advertising.

There are many other lessons to be drawn from NBC's late-night debacle — on the shortcoming of industrial conglomerates (GE), on the difficulty of old dogs learning new tricks (Leno), and surely the one about sacrificing old products to launch new ones (O'Brien). You could probably construct an entire business school class around this case study in mismanagement.

Then again, you could be like NBC and create a TV comedy about it, get Tina Fey and Alec Baldwin to star in it, win a boatload of Emmys and still not learn a thing.

Steven Pearlstein is a columnist for the Washington Post.

Cars

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figure that 40 cars on a lot is worth about \$1.4 million, and it's something that you have to pay interest on. That adds up, especially when sales are down."

He said his 14-person dealership is keeping inventory low — something that Subaru is encouraging with the rise of the Internet, where buyers can custom order a vehicle that can be delivered within two months.

"The only thing I won't scale back are customer loyalty programs because I have return customers who buy five, six or seven vehi-

cles from me," he said. "It's too much of a return on my investment to let it go."

Some dealerships say they will continue operating larger, more visible locations.

Eric Rehn, new car manager at Middlekauff Auto Group, which acquired two dealerships with more than 40 years of experience, said the sprawling Ford and Honda dealership on Blue Lakes Boulevard survived by being smart about costs and also by being visible in the community.

"It's not just our location that gets our name out there. Gregg Middlekauff is

also heavily involved in community programs," he said. "He does a lot of sponsorship and service that lets people know we are a part of this community."

Rehn said Middlekauff Auto Group projects a slow recovery in sales during 2010. He added that the dealership expects 2011 to be the year sales will break out of the slump.

Lytle, who said the current recession is more difficult than the farm crisis during the '80s, said

August of 2009 was his best month for sales on record. And he expects sales to grow in 2010.

Con Paulos, owner of Con Paulos Chevrolet Pontiac GMC, said he expects a full recovery in auto sales by 2014.

All three dealerships say manufacturer incentives will be significantly less than the deep discounts of 2009.

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BONUS COMEBACK

BAILOUT, LOBBYING BOOST BANK PAY

By Rachel Beck and Stevenson Jacobs
Associated Press writers

NEW YORK — The fat cats were supposed to get their comeuppance.

After Wall Street's most prominent firms — by their own admission — helped cause the 2008 financial meltdown and got bailed out by the government, they were supposed to stop handing out million-dollar bonuses to their employees. No one was supposed to get seven- and eight-figure rewards, not after the Great Recession left one in 10 Americans unemployed. Not after President Obama — who on Thursday called such pay “obscene” — had promised to clamp down on lavish bonuses.

It turns out little actually changed.

Americans will see that starting Friday when JPMorgan Chase & Co. releases its 2009 financial results. The other big banks will follow. The messages will be the same: compensation is at near-record levels.

The form of the pay is changing. Instead of cash, bonuses will be paid mostly in stock that can't be redeemed for years. But the numbers are still staggering. Together, the six biggest U.S. banks are on pace to pay \$150 billion in total compensation for 2009, slightly less than the record \$164 billion in 2007 before the financial crisis struck, according to the New York state comptroller's office.

How this happened is complicated, like most things involving Wall Street and Washington. It involves a remarkable financial turnaround by the banks, but one that was fueled by the federal bailout. It shows the power of the financial lobby. And it highlights the age-old debate about how much U.S. companies need to pay to retain talented bankers and traders.

Scott Talbott of the Financial Services Roundtable says keeping those

workers from going to overseas firms is critical.

“The market will find a way to pay these people what they're worth,” says Talbott, who is chief lobbyist for the industry group representing some of the largest financial firms. “This is not a giant talent pool. There's only a few people who can catch a touchdown in the Super Bowl.”

But others aren't so sure most Americans buy that. Says Douglas Elliott, a fellow at the Brookings Institution and a former investment banker, referring to the government's bailout money: “The way the general public sees it is that we wrote a \$700 billion check to the banks, and they got to burn through it as they pleased.”

Here's a look at how the clamor for reform ended up the way so many previous efforts did — with the triumph, for now, of Wall Street's bonus culture. And a look at what may lay ahead.

— The bailout —

The government played a big role in the compensation bonanza by bailing the banks out.

In the days after the financial meltdown, banks were given access to cheap government loans and other federal subsidies. Since the banks weren't required to put that money toward lending to businesses and consumers, they could use it as they pleased.

Many bet on risky securities that paid off when the financial markets surged. The result: Big profits and big bonuses because pay on Wall Street is tied to performance.

Profit at Goldman Sachs Group Inc. nearly doubled to \$8.4 billion during the first nine months of 2009 from the previous year's level, and analysts expect its full year profits to top \$10 billion.

Goldman set aside \$16.71 billion from January through September for compensation,



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Goldman Sachs Group, Inc. Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Lloyd Blankfein; JPMorgan Chase & Company Chairman and Chief Executive Officer James Dimon; Morgan Stanley Chairman John Mack, and Bank of America Corporation Chief Executive Officer and President Brian Moynihan, testify on Capitol Hill in Washington before the Financial Crisis Inquiry Commission. Together, the six biggest U.S. banks are on pace to pay \$150 billion in total compensation for 2009, slightly less than the record \$164 billion in 2007 before the financial crisis struck, according to the New York state comptroller's office.

which includes salaries, bonuses and associated costs such as benefits and payroll taxes. That puts it on pace to meet the record \$20.2 billion in compensation costs it had for all of 2007.

Should Goldman's annual compensation go that high, it would work out to more than \$600,000 each for its 31,700 employees. It won't be distributed that equally, of course. The best performers and executives stand to earn millions.

The nation's biggest banks all took money from the \$700 billion Troubled Asset Relief Program. Some needed it to survive, while others were pressured by federal officials to take it. Regardless, the banks weren't restricted in how they had to spend the bailout funds.

They did face limits on compensation, including for bonuses. But that only lasted for as long as they held the bailout funds, which gave them an incentive to pay the TARP back fast. That happened by June. In total, the banks took \$245 billion from the TARP, and have already

paid back \$162 billion.

Appearing Wednesday before a congressional panel probing the financial crisis, several Wall Street chiefs, including Goldman CEO Lloyd Blankfein, acknowledged that taxpayer help likely prevented the industry's collapse.

— Wall Street's lobbying machine —

Bonus outrage and the momentum to do something about it peaked last February when crippled insurer American International Group Inc. moved to pay \$165 million in bonuses to hundreds of employees in the same financial unit that brought down the company. Treasury Secretary Timothy Geithner called Wall Street pay “out of whack” and vowed to rein in the practice.

The fact it didn't happen speaks to the industry's powerful lobbying machine, which is spending millions to fight a raft of financial reform measures, including proposals to tax or limit lavish pay packages.

During the past decade, no industry has spent more lobbying dollars than Wall Street and its related offshoots.

From 1998 to 2009, the so-called FIRE lobby — or finance, insurance and real estate — spent \$3.8 billion promoting its interests in Washington, according to the Center for Responsive Politics. By comparison, the energy and defense industries spent \$2.6 billion and \$1.08 billion, respectively, during the same time.

Meanwhile, Wall Street's generosity to political candidates ramped up even as the industry began careening toward collapse in 2008. Financial firms contributed a record \$476 million in the last election cycle. That's more than double the No. 2 donor, the health care industry, which gave \$166 million, even as Congress began to debate landmark health care legislation.

The most lavish Wall Street donor during the last election: Goldman Sachs, which gave \$5.8 million, followed by Citigroup Inc. and JPMorgan Chase. All three banks gave

more heavily to Democratic candidates, reflecting the shifting power in Washington.

Financial lobbyists say the industry has taken many steps to curb excessive pay, including adopting “claw-back” provisions to recover undeserved pay and shifting more money into deferred stock instead of cash.

— What's next ? —

Washington is now scrambling to get something done to temper the populist anger. The financial lobby still could block those efforts.

The Obama administration is proposing a 10-year tax on the country's largest banks to cover a projected \$117 billion shortfall in the government's bailout fund.

The Federal Reserve is reviewing a plan that would give it more oversight on compensation by reviewing pay practices at thousands of banks. The central bank would be able to veto pay plans if it found them to encourage excessive risk-taking by executives, traders or loan officers.

The Federal Deposit Insurance Corp., which regulates most of the nation's banks, is seeking public input on a plan that would tie the fees that banks pay for deposit insurance to how much a company's compensation plan encourages workers to take risks in order to achieve higher returns.

A few in Congress want to go further. Rep. Dennis Kucinich, D-Ohio, introduced legislation Tuesday to impose a 75 percent bonus tax on what he sees as windfall profits earned from massive taxpayer support of the financial services industry.

Britain and France recently announced plans for a similar tax. Few expect the measure to be adopted in the U.S., although Kucinich is betting that the public's “pent-up frustration” could build momentum to pass his bill.

Program

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a larger proportion of sales.

“It's a very serious threat to the housing market, and still one of the most significant risks to the broader recovery,” Zandi said.

The Obama plan aims to help borrowers in financial trouble by making their payments more affordable. Modifications made under the program include a lower interest rate and often a longer repayment period. The average monthly payment has been cut by \$500 on average.

The homeowners receive temporary modifications, which are supposed to become permanent after borrowers make three payments on time and complete the required paperwork, including proof of income and a letter explaining the reason for their troubles.

However, just 66,500 borrowers, or 7 percent of those who signed up, have completed the program as of December, the Treasury Department said Friday.

Another 49,000, or more than 5 percent, have dropped out of the program entirely — either because they missed payments or were found to be ineligible. Thousands more remain in limbo awaiting an answer.

There's blame on both sides: Mortgage companies say they have struggled to get back the necessary paperwork, while homeowners and housing counselors say navigating the bureaucratic maze often seems impossible.

But the 102 participating companies are getting wildly different results. While a handful of mortgage companies are “very good at it,” said Michael van Zalingen, director of homeownership serv-

ices at Neighborhood Housing Services of Chicago, “some either don't care or can't figure it out.”

The biggest company in the program, Bank of America, has completed modifications for fewer than 2 percent of the 200,000 borrowers it has enrolled. Rebecca Mairone, a Bank of America executive, said the bank has started sending notaries door-to-door to get signed documents back quickly.

Companies with disappointing results “need to do much better,” Michael Barr, an assistant Treasury secretary, told reporters Friday.

Another major mortgage company, Wells Fargo & Co., is doing better but still has completed modifications for fewer than one in 10 borrowers.

To speed up the process, Wells Fargo has been holding a borrower assistance events in several major cities. It brought 200 loan counselors to Baltimore's downtown convention center this week.

“You get a little more consideration with the person when you're eye to eye with someone,” said Odella Taylor, 50, a Wells Fargo borrower who fell behind on her home loan last year after separating with her husband.

Even with such events, Wells Fargo projects only about half of its 74,000 borrowers who made at least three trial payments as of last month will wind up being approved. The rest either won't send back all the required documents or will be deemed ineligible according to the government's formula.

For borrowers who can't get into the program, the stress and frustration

are extreme

“It's like being on a little capsule above Earth and realizing the oxygen tank is running out,” said Nicole Vaughn, 50, of Sonora, Calif.

She says Select Portfolio Servicing Inc. denied her application three times last year, for ever-changing reasons. She still hasn't given up, and is working with her housing counselor to challenge the calculation that led to the most recent denial, something that borrowers are allowed to do under the program's rules.

As of December, Select Portfolio had approved 16 percent of borrowers enrolled in the program, and rejected

25 percent. A spokesman said the company “is continuing to work with the customer to analyze potential modifications under government guidelines.”

Other companies are doing better. Ocwen Financial Corp. and Carrington Mortgage Services, have modified loans for 40 percent of their enrolled borrowers and rejected only a handful.

“We have found the most optimal ways to communicate with borrowers, to overcome fear and suspicion and to develop an effective rapport and trust,” said Paul Koches, Ocwen's general counsel. “The proof is in the numbers.”

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Cases

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plaintiff, a former smoker of Philip Morris products who developed cancer, was awarded \$56 million for actual harm.

“Because of the mess with the banks, Bernie Madoff, people have less respect for companies,” said Randy Barnhart, an Englewood, Colo., lawyer who won a \$4.5 million verdict against Ford for a seat-belt defect. “The jurors were more willing to listen to our side.”

Ford lost at least four defective-vehicle cases of \$10 million or more, Bloomberg data show. The Dearborn, Mich.-based

company is appealing two verdicts and has settled the others, said Marcey Evans, a Ford spokeswoman.

Notwithstanding the 2009 results, both plaintiffs and defendant companies are increasingly willing to take product liability cases to trial, said John Beisner, a lawyer who defends corporations in such suits.

“For plaintiffs, there's a perception that juries are more open to arguments about corporate behavior,” said Beisner, a Washington-based lawyer. “On the defense side, it's the feeling that it's the right thing to do.”


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Today: Partly cloudy

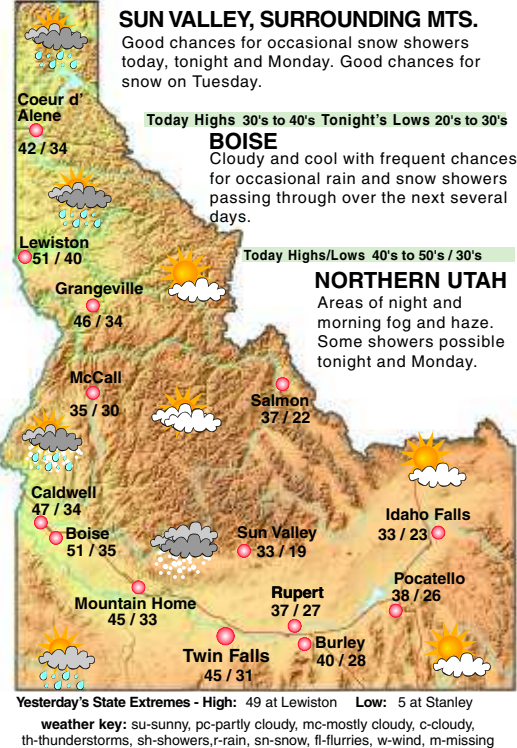
Tonight: Partly cloudy

Tomorrow: Rain and snow showers

ALMANAC - BURLEY

Temperature	Precipitation
Yesterday's High 45°	Yesterday's 0.00"
Yesterday's Low 24°	Month to Date 0.34"
Normal High / Low 37° / 20°	Avg. Month to Date 0.64"
Record High 60° in 1974	Water Year to Date 1.93"
Record Low -14° in 1949	Avg. Water Year to Date 3.31"

IDAHO'S FORECAST



GREGG MIDDLEKAUFF'S QUOTE OF THE DAY

"Feeling grateful or appreciative of someone or something in your life actually attracts more of the things that you appreciate and value into your life."

Christiane Northrup Medical Doctor and Author of Mother-Daughter Wisdom

TWIN FALLS FIVE-DAY FORECAST

Today	Tonight	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
Partly cloudy	Partly cloudy	Rain showers	Rain and snow showers	Rain and snow showers	Snow showers
High 45°	Low 31°	42° / 33°	41° / 30°	39° / 23°	37° / 25°

ALMANAC - TWIN FALLS

Temperature	Precipitation	Humidity	Barometric Pressure
Yesterday's High 46°	Yesterday's 0.00"	Yesterday's High 82%	5 pm Yesterday 29.95 in.
Yesterday's Low 23°	Month to Date 0.59"	Yesterday's Low 49%	
Normal High / Low 37° / 22°	Avg. Month to Date 0.71"	Today's Forecast Avg. 74%	
Record High 55° in 1967	Water Year to Date 3.05"		
Record Low -8° in 1987	Avg. Water Year to Date 3.77"	A water year runs from Oct. 1 to Sept. 30	

Moon Phases

First	Full	Last	New
Jan. 23	Jan. 30	Feb. 6	Feb. 14

REGIONAL FORECAST

City	Today	Tomorrow	Tuesday
Boise	51 35 mc	46 35 r	44 35 r
Bonniers Ferry	42 31 r	41 32 r	39 32 r
Burley	40 28 pc	40 31 mx	41 31 mx
Challis	34 19 pc	33 22 ls	34 22 mx
Coeur d'Alene	42 34 r	40 32 r	40 32 r
Elko, NV	35 25 mx	36 22 ls	32 22 ls
Eugene, OR	47 43 r	49 39 r	51 39 r
Gooding	40 31 pc	38 32 r	38 32 r
Gracie	36 22 pc	34 25 ls	35 25 mx
Hagerman	44 32 mc	42 33 r	41 33 r
Hailey	35 22 ls	34 23 ls	34 23 mx
Idaho Falls	33 23 pc	34 28 ls	34 28 mx
Kalispell, MT	41 30 mc	40 31 r	33 31 mx
Jerome	41 30 mc	39 32 mx	38 32 r
Lewiston	51 40 r	50 39 r	49 39 r
Malad City	32 20 pc	32 23 mx	32 23 mx
Malta	36 25 pc	37 28 mx	37 28 mx
Missoula, MT	35 30 mx	35 29 mx	34 29 ls
Pocatello	38 26 pc	39 29 mx	38 29 r
Portland, OR	49 42 r	48 39 r	48 39 r
Rupert	37 27 pc	39 30 mx	39 30 mx
Richland, WA	47 34 r	45 32 r	44 32 r
Rogerson	36 27 mc	33 27 ls	32 27 ls
Salmon	37 22 pc	39 21 r	32 21 ls
Salt Lake City, UT	41 29 pc	40 30 r	39 30 pc
Spokane, WA	46 35 r	43 34 r	44 34 r
Stanley	32 19 ls	33 19 ls	32 19 ls
Sun Valley	33 19 ls	33 18 ls	31 18 ls
Yellowstone, MT	29 11 pc	27 10 ls	27 10 ls

CANADIAN FORECAST

City	Today	Tomorrow	City	Today	Tomorrow
Calgary	34 26 pc	35 24 pc	Saskatoon	28 28 pc	35 28 pc
Crantbrook	31 29 ls	31 23 ls	Toronto	33 24 pc	32 26 pc
Edmonton	30 24 pc	33 23 mx	Vancouver	43 37 r	44 34 r
Kelowna	32 29 ls	32 27 ls	Victoria	47 42 r	48 40 r
Lethbridge	40 32 pc	43 29 pc	Winnipeg	32 22 pc	29 21 pc
Regina	32 27 pc	35 29 pc			

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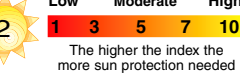
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Boise	45	34	0.02"
Challis	30	5	0.00"
Coeur d'Alene	41	37	0.58"
Idaho Falls	30	3	0.00"
Jerome	37	24	0.00"
Lewiston	48	39	Trace"
Lowell	39	37	0.30"
Malad City	n/a	n/a	n/a"
Malta	42	24	n/a"
Pocatello	37	10	0.00"
Rexburg	30	7	0.00"
Salmon	33	15	0.00"
Stanley	41	5	0.00"
Sun Valley	43	9	0.00"

Sunrise and Sunset

Today	Sunrise: 8:04 AM	Sunset: 5:32 PM
Monday	Sunrise: 8:03 AM	Sunset: 5:34 PM
Tuesday	Sunrise: 8:03 AM	Sunset: 5:35 PM
Wednesday	Sunrise: 8:02 AM	Sunset: 5:36 PM
Thursday	Sunrise: 8:02 AM	Sunset: 5:37 PM

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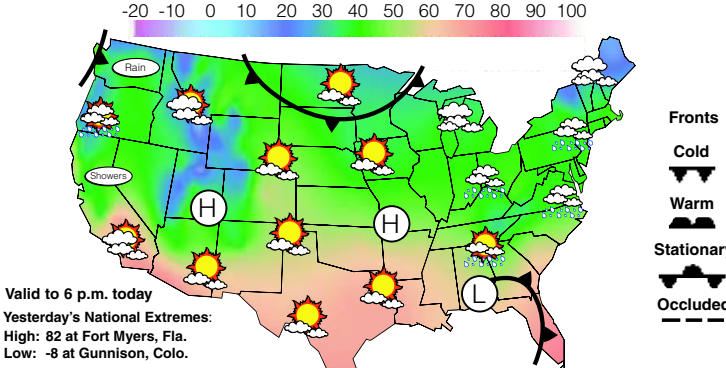
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NATIONAL FORECAST

City	Today	Tomorrow
Atlanta	52 36 r	61 38 su
Baltimore	40 35 r	46 30 pc
Bellington	50 27 pc	48 22 pc
Birmingham	50 36 r	62 40 pc
Boston	38 32 mx	38 30 ls
Charleston, SC	63 45 th	63 42 pc
Charleston, WV	48 34 r	49 28 pc
Chicago	35 27 c	36 28 mc
Cleveland	38 29 r	38 28 mc
Denver	56 28 pc	54 27 pc
Des Moines	34 23 pc	33 27 mc
Detroit	39 30 mc	38 27 pc
El Paso	64 39 pc	63 40 pc
Fairbanks	-4 -9 pc	-2 -4 pc
Fargo	32 14 pc	25 12 pc
Honolulu	80 66 pc	80 67 pc
Houston	65 46 pc	67 54 pc
Indianapolis	40 29 r	44 28 pc
Jacksonville	68 46 r	63 42 su
Kansas City	41 28 pc	44 32 pc
Las Vegas	61 48 r	56 47 r
Los Angeles	64 52 r	62 50 r
Memphis	50 38 r	59 42 pc
Miami	82 63 th	75 60 pc
Milwaukee	35 26 c	35 25 mc
Little Rock	57 37 r	60 42 pc
New Orleans	60 46 pc	63 51 pc
New York	38 36 r	42 32 r
Oklahoma City	58 38 pc	59 41 pc
Omaha	38 16 pc	36 23 pc

TODAY'S NATIONAL MAP



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Thousands protest Arizona sheriff's crackdown on immigrants

By Jacques Billeaud
Associated Press writer

PHOENIX — Ten thousand immigrant rights advocates marched in front of a county jail in Phoenix on Saturday in a protest that was aimed at Maricopa County Sheriff Joe Arpaio's immigration efforts and was marked by a clash between a small group of protesters and police officers.

Organizers say the protest was meant to show officials in Washington that Arpaio shouldn't handle immigration enforcement, and that Congress and the Obama administration need to come up with a way for immigrant workers to come to the country legally.

The three-mile walk that started in a west Phoenix park ended by afternoon at the Durango Jail Complex, a collection of five jails, where officials played music, including a record by singer Linda Ronstadt, to drown out noise made by protesters. Ronstadt took part in Saturday's protest.

Protesters chanted "Joe must go" as they approached the jail complex. One person carried a sign that said "We are human" and bore a picture of a lawman with a wolf's face. A family of five wore T-shirts saying "Who would Jesus deport?"

For his part, Arpaio said he wasn't bothered by the protesters and that they should be directing their frustrations at Congress because it has the power to change America's immigration laws.

"They are zeroing in on the wrong guy," Arpaio said. "They ought to be zeroing in on the president."

The demonstration was peaceful until police say protesters near the end of the procession started throwing water bottles at officers. Phoenix Police Lt. Pat Hofmann said officers used pepper spray as they tried to separate protesters from an officer who was trying to take away the bottles.

People poured water onto the faces of several protesters whose eyes were irritated by the pepper spray.

Phoenix police spokesman Sgt. Andy Hill added that one demonstrator struck a police sergeant on the head and chest with a flagpole. And he said an officer on horseback was assaulted as her horse was mobbed, punched and pushed. He didn't say whether any officers were injured.

Phoenix police said Saturday night that five people were arrested during the protest and taken to Maricopa County Jail. Three



AP photo

Maricopa County Sheriff Joe Arpaio talks to reporters before a protest march against the sheriff and his policies Saturday in Phoenix.

were booked for aggravated assault on police; another was booked for aggravated assault on police and disorderly conduct. The fifth was booked for disorderly conduct and aggravated assault on police.

Though the scene of the disturbance was cleared within minutes, the aftermath was chaotic. Protesters

yelled obscenities at police officers in riot gear. One officer shook his pepper spray canister as he ordered people to keep moving. One protester wore goggles, and several others wrapped bandanas around their mouths.

Critics have accused deputies working in Arpaio's immigration efforts of racial profiling, which the sheriff

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EDITORIAL

Making Parks and Rec go away is a mistake

In 1961, Wall Street mogul Averell Harriman — owner of Union Pacific Railroad, founder of the Sun Valley Resort, former U.S. ambassador to the Soviet Union and Great Britain, and one of the architects of the postwar world — did the people of Idaho a big favor.

My family will give you our 11,000-acre ranch on Henrys Fork, Harriman told then-Gov. Robert Smylie — if you establish a professional parks department to manage it.

That took some doing. But after two tries, Smylie, in 1965, finally got the Idaho Legislature to sign on. So the Idaho Department of Parks and Recreation was born.

Forty-five years later, the agency is about to die.

In his State of the State Address last Monday, Gov. C.L. “Butch” Otter proposed folding Parks and Rec into the Idaho Department of Lands — some responsibilities would devolve to the Department of Fish and Game — and saving \$10 million of general fund money.

The IDOL would be a one-stop shop for users of public lands, the governor told the Legislature.

We have our doubts.

For starters, the Harrimans — still represented by the best lawyers in America — stipulated before they turned over Railroad Ranch to Idaho that the land would revert back to the family if the state ever dissolved Parks and Rec.

Our view: Should the Idaho Department of Parks and Recreation be downsized in this economy? Probably. Should it be dissolved? No.

Whether shuffling Harriman State Park into the care of the IDOL meets the terms of the bequest, we don’t know. IDOL, after all, isn’t a parks management agency. It’s a revenue-generating entity.

The Department of Lands is constitutionally required to “professionally and prudently” manage Idaho’s endowment assets to maximize long-term financial returns to public schools and other trust beneficiaries. Five statewide elected officials — Otter, Secretary of State Ben Yursa, Attorney General Lawrence Wasden, State Controller Donna Jones and Superintendent of Public Instruction Tom Luna — supervise it.

IDOL doesn’t build trails, fix outhouses, conduct interpretive lectures or provide directions to tourists. It’s a different kind of animal.

When Idaho became a state in 1890, it was given 3.7 million acres for the support of state institutions. The land was granted on condition that it be managed in perpetuity as a trust for the beneficiary institutions.

This mandate was codified in Article IX Section 8 of the Constitution, which says that the lands are to be managed, “...in such manner as will secure the maximum long term financial return to the institution to which granted.” Chief among the beneficiaries are the public schools, which received two sections of every township in the state (1/18 of the total land base). Other beneficiaries include the University of Idaho and its agricultural college, the Albion and Lewiston normal schools, state prisons, charitable institutions, State Hospital South in Blackfoot and public buildings.

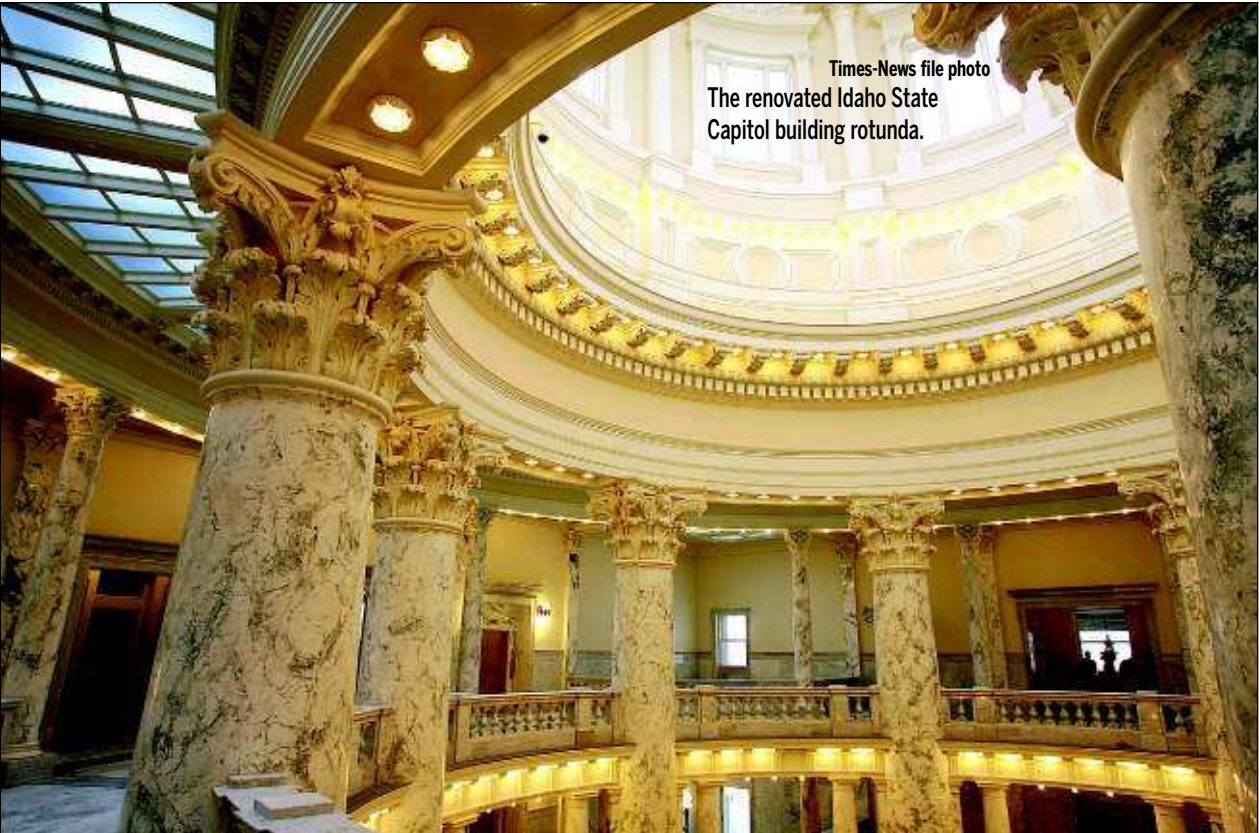
IDOL’s management isn’t intended to benefit the general public, but directed solely to the good of the beneficiaries of the original land grants. Money generated from the management of these lands is deposited into the earnings reserve fund from which the costs of management and payments to the beneficiaries are made. Revenue from mineral royalties is deposited into the permanent endowment fund. Both the earnings reserve and permanent fund are invested by the Endowment Fund Investment Board.

The investment return is distributed to the schools and other entities. Land sale revenue is deposited into the land bank and is available to purchase other land. If not expended for that purpose within five years, the land sale revenue is deposited into a permanent fund.

Unless the Legislature amends the Constitution, the IDOL simply isn’t a Smoky Bear-and-Ranger Rick organization.

And we’re not sure it should try to be. Especially in a tight economy, the IDOL and the Land Board ought to be focused to generating money for public schools. Period.

Harriman got it right when he insisted on professional management of the property he gave to Idaho. Only that can insure access by all Idahoans to the best of their lands.



THE CALCULUS OF LESS

Deconstructing Gov. Otter’s budget

Fewer state employees

There are 19,642 full-time jobs in Idaho state government; Gov. C.L. “Butch” Otter wants to decrease that by 2.2 percent.

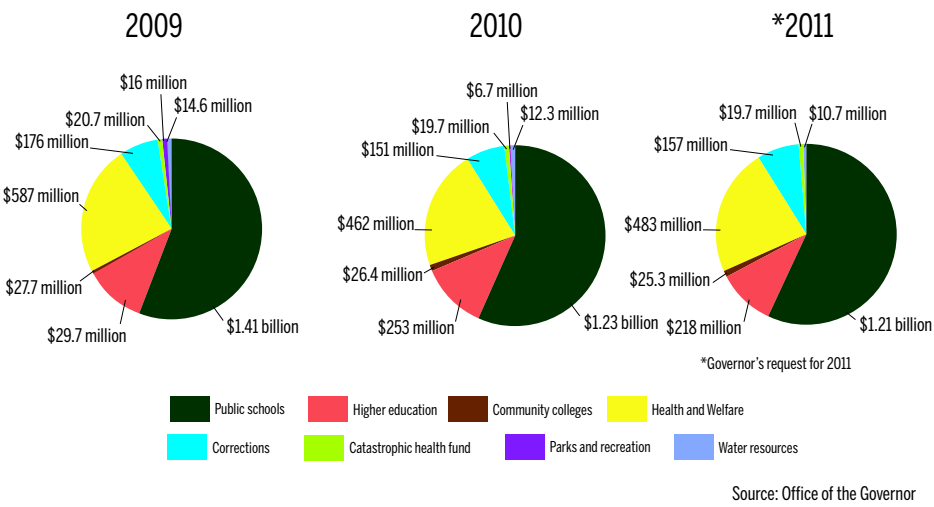
That’s 433 fewer jobs, but 379 of them are already vacant.

The state’s colleges and universities would lose the equivalent of 176 full-time positions and the Department of Parks and Recreation — which the governor has targeted for extinction — would shed 162 jobs.

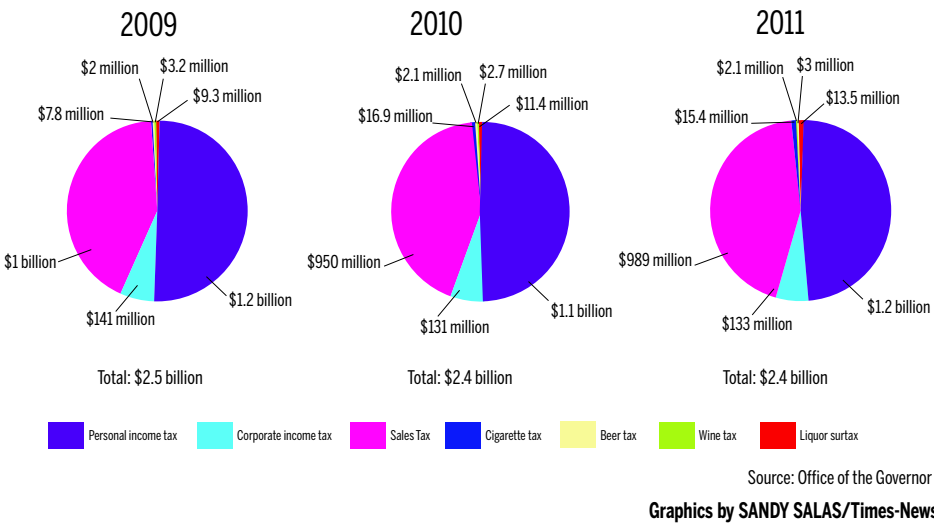
Other big losers would be the Department of Labor (49), the Department of Health and Welfare (43), the Department of Juvenile Corrections (22), the Idaho State Police (20), the Department of Agriculture (18) and the Department of Correction (16).

By virtue of its taking over Parks and Rec’s duties, the Department of Lands would gain 129 full-time positions and the Department of Fish and Game — which is funded by license fees and not the general fund — would add 46 positions.

General fund appropriations



Where state revenue comes from



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The white horse and the cherry tree

By Randy Stapilus
Ridenbaugh Press/Northwest
(Carlton, Ore.)

There’s often some degree of religious tribalism in politics — the identification of some voters with some candidates because of a shared religious view; to some extent, that’s just a normal part of elective politics. There are limits, even in places where the identification is very strong, to how far it can be pushed. In the 1994 gubernatorial race in Idaho, Democrat Larry EchoHawk (Mormon by faith) was thought to be damaged somewhat when links between his campaign and support out of Salt Lake City. The damage was not least among fellow Mormons who disliked having their church so overtly identified with a partisan political campaign.

But that was nothing to what an Idaho gubernatorial candidate this year has in mind. At least according to a news report in the Rexburg Standard Journal — there



being no apparent reference to it on the candidate’s own Web site. . .

The candidate is independent Rex Rammell, who has made highly overt mention of his LDS faith before, and (this) month plans to kick it into a new gear. According to the Standard-Journal: “In January, Rammell will kick off a series of special meetings targeted specifically at ‘faithful priesthood-holders of the LDS Church’ to discuss the so-called ‘White Horse’ prophecy.” ...

Starting Tuesday, meetings are planned for Idaho Falls first, then Rexburg, Blackfoot, Pocatello, Twin

Falls and Boise.

This is something new, at least in recent times: A political campaign explicitly aimed at one religious group.

But this isn’t just marketing segmentation; it’s much more than that. The newspaper report indicates that a good share of the talk will relate to the “white horse prophecy,” and that should raise some wider concerns.

You may have heard reference to it before, in the context of a prediction that the constitution one day would “hang by a thread.” Here’s the generally neutral Beliefnet description:

“The White Horse prophecy is the name for a largely oral tradition that says Joseph Smith predicted that a day will come when the Constitution will hang by a thread (or “be on the brink of ruin”) and the elders of Israel (or “the Latter-day Saints,” never an individual) will step forward to save it from destruction. Although no definitive ver-

sion of the “white horse prophecy” has been traced to Smith, a number of sources recorded him as saying something to that effect. The denunciation of the prophecy as false and ridiculous by a few Mormon leaders is probably a reflection of the prophecy’s non-canonical status, and their wish to rule out melodramatic interpretations of what may have been a largely metaphorical prediction.”

Put that in the context of Rammell’s gubernatorial campaign, its projected audience, the influence of Glenn Beck and the super-heated rhetoric aimed at the Obama administration. This ought to be watched closely.

Randy Stapilus is a former political reporter and editor for the Idaho Statesman of Boise, the Idaho State Journal of Pocatello, the Lewiston Tribune, the Idaho Press-Tribune of Nampa and the Coeur d’alene Press.

Budget

Continued from Opinion 1 Less for schools

To make it through the final six months of the current fiscal year, Otter proposed an additional 1.6 percent holdback — a spending cut — for state agencies, including a reduction for public education. Unlike his September holdback, which trimmed \$97.3 million from state government but used rainy-day funds to fill \$49.2 million in public education cuts, this holdback does not include any backfilling of public education.

Otter wants to spend \$1.231 billion in general fund money on public schools next year; that's \$14.3 million less than the state is spending this year. But the total-funds recommendation also includes \$59.8 million in state dedicated funds; \$33.07 million in federal stimulus funds; and \$270.8 million in other federal funds. That totals \$1.58 billion, an overall reduction of \$130 million or 7.6 percent.

Lean times on campus

Last year, the state cut its appropriation to the state's four-year colleges and universities by 11 percent. The governor wants to trim that by another 10 percent next year, meaning that higher ed will have shed \$67 million in two years.

Otter is asking the Legislature to cut state support for community colleges by 4 percent, to \$25.3 million. In 2009, the state spent \$29.7 million on the College of Southern Idaho, North Idaho College and the College of Western Idaho.

Idaho's piggy bank

By July 1 — the beginning of the 2011 fiscal year — there will be \$32.8 million remaining the Idaho's three

reserve funds, most of it (\$22.2 million) in the public education budget stabilization fund established by the Legislature three years ago.

The rainy-day funds once held \$323 million, but that's dwindled rapidly during the Great Recession.

There's still \$68.3 million left in the non-endowed portion of the Millennium Fund, which is money the state received in a settlement as part of a class-action suit against the major tobacco companies for marketing products to minors. By law, that can only be spent if necessary, but most legislators agree that Idaho's feeble economy has met that standard.

Say goodbye

The governor wants to phase out general fund support for seven state agencies — Idaho Public Television, the Idaho Human Rights Commission, the Idaho Hispanic Commission, the Independent Living Council, Developmental Disabilities Council, the Deaf and Hard of Hearing Council and the Digital Learning Academy — over four years.

No dairy center, for now

Otter recommended putting off construction of the University of Idaho's Center for Livestock and Environmental Studies in the Magic Valley, saving \$9.6 million from the 2011 budget. The facility was to be built with a combination of state and dairy-industry funds, and the governor said in his State of the State Address that he's still committed to it.

Remember the stimulus?

The governor's budget recommends spending

what's left from last year's stimulus money from the federal government, using \$25.5 million for public schools, \$11.2 million for higher education, \$1 million for the Snake River aquifer study and \$2 million for the Department of Correction.

Holdbacks

The governor implemented a 4 percent mid-year budget cut in 2009, and recommends another 1.6 percent reduction to get through the 2010 fiscal year. State agency managers have discretion over how implement the most recent holdback; the Idaho Department of Health and Welfare decide to close most of its facilities and send most of its employees home every other Friday afternoon through the end of the fiscal year in June.

Corrections gets a raise

After taking a whopping 14 percent hit in the 2010 budget, the Idaho Department of Correction would get a 4.6 percent increase under the governor's budget for 2011.

Help at the checkout counter

Otter still aims to save Idaho residents an extra \$15 million this year on their food purchases. In 2008, he and lawmakers approved the measure to boost rebates that Idaho residents receive annually to offset the 6 percent sales tax they pay on groceries.

According to his plan, the rebate would rise to \$70 for each member of a family of four earning less than about \$25,000 annually.

The rebates are due to rise by \$10 annually to a maximum of \$100, and \$120 for seniors — if lawmakers don't call for them to be delayed.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Put BID back to its original purpose

I'm writing in defense of Scott Andrus in his pursuit of eliminating the Business Improvement District as it stands. From what I gather, they want to reorganize it for the businesses and put it back to its original purpose.

I worked for Mr. Faulkner at the Paris and I recall the reasons for the BID — fix up the downtown and get activities going. I remember the drive to keep the decor over Shoshone and Main for one. Well, Mr. Faulkner was quite a businessman and I doubt if he would just fork over \$800 for no reason.

Oh yeah, people say we pay taxes also. Well, this money is not taxes — Scott pays those also. This money is an "assessment" on his business — and what do you get? He never gets any attention from the BID, even though it has been requested — no lights, no scarecrows, wreaths or other décor, and when events go on, no information. You begin to question, where does \$800 go?

Scott provides working space for 10 stylists at a reasonable rent. He keeps our place very clean with a cleaning company and Brizee's to keep our vents done on a regular basis. He has Lytle's do our signage; he has eight barrels filled with flowers each year (and no one includes us in the beautification awards).

We shop downtown. I have shopped downtown for years, and I didn't need to pledge to do it. Then, when parking became an issue for the stylists and customers, he bought a parking lot for us and is generous to share it with other merchants.

I agree with Scott's

frustration with the BID as a business person myself.

And in closing, I would like to say that comparing downtown with Pendleton, Ore., (I lived there) and Helena, Mont., (I lived in Montana) is not a fair assessment of downtown because both Pendleton and Helena have main access; our downtown is off the beaten track of Blue Lakes.

JEANNE MEYER
Twin Falls

Potato Museum very informative

Recently, coming home from a trip to Jackson Hole, Wyo., we saw a sign for a "Potato Museum" in Blackfoot. Having plenty of time, we decided to find it and went through it. What an interesting place to visit.

You learn the complete history of the potato and it has every masher that was ever invented. There is a steadily running video, lots of pictures and information, and one receives a box of dehydrated hash browns in leaving.

I grew up in Buhl and spent most of my life in Idaho. When I was in school, we always got out

for "spud vacation" when many of us picked spuds and, for me, that was money earned to buy my school clothes.

More people need to know about the "Potato Museum" of Blackfoot, Idaho.

CHARLENE LOOS
Buhl

Americans left out of health care debate

This health care bill is one of the most crucial pieces of legislation that will take place for the next 30 years. I was happy when Congress passed both versions of the bill and was looking forward to things going smoothly and positive health care reform being signed into law.

Yet, now what is this I hear? The American people being shut out of the debate on how to mesh the two bills? I do not want the Senate version being installed by default because certain individuals refuse to have a committee. That is morally wrong and infringes on my rights as an American citizen.

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QUOTABLE

“I don’t know how much longer we can hold out.”

– Dee Leahy, a lay missionary from St. Louis, Mo., working with nuns handing out provisions from their small stockpile in Haiti.

“We’re a family. There’s some connection I have with these 154 that’s kind of hard to explain.”

– Vallie Collins, survivor of US Airways Flight 1549, a year after the airliner landed in the Hudson River.

“Gilbert used extremely poor judgment and is ultimately responsible for his own actions.”

– Statement from the NBA’s Washington Wizards, on player Gilbert Arenas, convicted of carrying a pistol without a license.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Will governor take pay cut too?

I have a question for Gov. Otter with his across-the-board cuts. As with every-one else, is he going to take a pay cut along with our state representatives and sena-tors? Why should they be any different than the nor-mal working folks in this state?

I thought that they were working for us not us work-ing for them. Just a thought.

KEN CORDIER
Twin Falls

Roosevelt had right idea on immigrants

I doubt you will publish this, from my past experi-ence with your editor(s), they must be politically cor-rect.

I think this is important: Theodore Roosevelt’s ideas on immigrants and being an American in 1907:

“In the first place, we should insist if the immi-grant coming here does so in good faith, becomes an American and assimilates himself to us, he shall be treated on an exact equality with everyone else, for it is an outrage to discriminate against any person because of creed or birthplace. But this is predicated upon the person’s becoming in every facet an American, nothing else. There can be no divid-ed allegiance here. Any man who says he is an American, but something else also, isn’t an American. We have room for but one flag, the American flag! We have room for one language here, the English language. We have room for but one sole loyalty and that is a loyalty to the American people.”

My comment: English should not be taught as a second language, it is the language of an American.

GLORIA HANN
Twin Falls

Arrow Trucking will be missed

A farewell to Arrow Trucking and Montana Express.

I learned today (Jan. 6) that Arrow Trucking of

Oklahoma ceased operation on Dec. 22, 2009. This takes my mind back to Montana Express and the lives affect-ed by its closure.

Express of Montana and Twin Falls was a company of fortitude and integrity. The families that the company touched number in the thousands. I find it difficult to fathom the many lives that Arrow has touched and the families that it has sup-ported.

Thank you, Arrow, for your many years of service and the lives you supported. Thank you to the drivers at Montana Express and to the Ambrose family.

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SANDRA HENDRICKS
Gooding

Public option, single payer health care good ideas

Public option is the very core of democracy, govern-ment by the people and for the people. Public option gives us the choice, not the government, of staying with the insurance we have, choosing a new one or going with the single payer. We call the shots, not some fat cat dipping his paws into the cash register. The single payer is the one that has the fat cats fuming and telling fairy tales. The payment goes straight to the provider.

Considered by all, our present system is the world’s most costly, leaves millions without health care, is the least effective of any nation and is unus-tainable.

The single payer is the most economical system of all. It eliminates all middle men. Our plush lawmakers are delighted with it. They

are not about to change as it allows them to choose their doctor, hospital and proce-dure. The idea that it is too costly is ridiculous. It will keep healthy people in the work force and increase production and cut welfare payments.

It is our moral obligation as individuals and as the richest nation in the world to keep our nation healthy.

MATT SMITH
Twin Falls

U.S. needs to stop spending money it doesn’t have

Response to Thomas Friedman regarding China and green energy:

Where does he think the Chinese are getting the money to build their “green” program? From the United States!

Our government borrows from and sends payments to China in the billions and billions of dollars. We buy billions of dollars of goods from China. Mr. Friedman, you want to have the money to do more in America? Then this government has to quit spending money we don’t have and quit borrow-ing money we can only pay back by the sweat of our grandkids (anybody “slav-ing” to pay back a loan and interest?).

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NATION & WORLD

Angry America: Voter ire evident in Mass. Senate race

By **Liz Sidoti**
Associated Press writer

WASHINGTON — The ill winds of an angry electorate are blowing against Democrats, the warning signs clear in a closer-than-expected Massachusetts Senate race that may doom President Barack Obama's health care agenda and foreshadow the party's election prospects this fall.

Anti-incumbent, anti-establishment sentiment is rampant. Independents are leaving Obama. Republicans are energized. Democrats are

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subdued. None of it bodes well for the party in power.

"It's going to be a hard November for Democrats," Howard Dean, the Democratic Party chairman in the 2006 and 2008 elections when the party took control of the White House and Congress, told The Associated Press in an interview. "Our base is demoralized."

While he praised Obama as a good president, Dean



Coakley

Brown

said the Democrat hasn't turned out to be the "change agent" the party thought it elected, and voters who supported Democrats in back-to-back elections now are turned off. Said Dean: "They really thought the revolution was at hand but it wasn't,

and now they're getting the back of the hand."

Just how much voters have soured since Obama took over a country in chaos is reflected in the president's late-game decision to rush to Massachusetts on Sunday to try to stave off an extraordinary Republican upset in the race for a Senate seat held by Democrats for more than half a century.

Obama faced a no-win situation as he pondered whether to campaign with Democrat Martha Coakley. Had he decided against going, he would have

enraged the base and been blamed if she lost. But a Coakley defeat following a presidential visit would be embarrassing, raising questions about Obama's popularity and political muscle.

Once heavily favored to cruise to victory, Coakley is in a tight fight with Republican Scott Brown, a little-known state senator, for the race to fill the seat left vacant when Sen. Edward M. Kennedy died.

Losing the race would cost the Democrats their 60-vote coalition in the Senate. The president has been relying

on that big edge to stop Republican filibusters and pass not only his health care overhaul but also the rest of his legislative agenda heading into the first elections since he took office.

A Suffolk University poll released late Thursday showed Brown with 50 percent of the vote and Coakley with 46 percent. The survey indicated that Brown's supporters — a mix of disaffected Democrats, a large number of Republicans and a majority of independents — are far more enthusiastic than Coakley's backers.

When glitz and glamour just aren't enough ...



The New York Times/AP photo

Alfred Lomas of LA Gang Tours is seen on Friday. Borrowing a bit from the Hollywood star tours, the grit of the streets and a dash of hype, LA Gang Tours made its debut Saturday, a 12-stop, two-hour journey through what its organizer calls 'the history and origin of high-profile gang areas and the top crime-scene locations' of South Los Angeles.

For \$65 a head, tourists get peek at Gangland

By **Thomas Watkins**
Associated Press writer

LOS ANGELES — Only miles from the scenic vistas and celebrity mansions that draw sightseers from around the globe — but a world away from the glitz and glamour — a bus tour is rolling through the dark side of the city's gang turf.

Passengers paying \$65 a head Saturday signed waivers acknowledging they could be crime victims and put their fate in the hands of tattooed ex-gang members who say they have negotiated a cease-fire among rivals in the most violent gangland in America.

If that sounds daunting, consider the challenge facing organizers of LA Gang Tours: trying to build a thriving venture that provides a glimpse into gang life while also trying to convince people that gang-plagued communities are not as hopeless as movies depict.

"There's a fascination with gangs," said founder Alfred Lomas, a former member of the Florencia 13 gang. "We can either address the issue head-on, create awareness and discuss the positive things that go on in these communities, or we can try to sweep it under the carpet."

Several observers have questioned the premise behind the tours, and some city politicians have been more blunt.

"It's a terrible idea," City Councilman Dennis Zine said. "Is it worth that thrill for 65 bucks? You can go to a (gang) movie for a lot less and not put yourself at risk."

More than 50 people brushed aside safety concerns for Saturday's maiden tour to hear how notorious gangs got started and bear witness to the struggling neighborhoods where tens of thousands of residents have been lured into gang life.

The unmarked chartered coach wound its way through downtown.

The first sight was a stretch of concrete riverbed featured in such movies as "Terminator" and "Grease," where countless splotches of gray paint conceal graffiti that is often the mark of street gangs and tagging crews.

After that, it was on to the Central Jail, home to many a thug, past Skid Row's squalor and homeless masses and into South Los Angeles, breeding ground for some of the city's deadliest gangs.

Motoring through an industrial area, the bus enters the Florence-Firestone neighborhood, close to the birthplace of the Crips and current home to Florencia 13, a Latino gang that was accused by federal prosecutors of racist attacks against black residents.

Gray warehouses soon merge with single-story stucco homes as the bus heads south. Few gangsters risk hanging out on street corners, as local rules mean they could get

arrested even for congregating, but graffiti on walls, road signs and convenience storefronts betray the presence of Florencia 13 and other gangs.

Sieglinde Lemke, 46, an American Studies professor from the University of Freiburg in Germany, said she enjoyed the opportunity to interact with former gang members.

"It brings to life the class divisions you have in America," she said. "This is an area that's blocked out of my mental map of the States. It's important to get a firsthand account of the area."

Junior high school teacher Prisca Ricks, 37, was of two minds about going on the tour after reading critical blog comments about it being "ghettotainment."

But ultimately, she was pleased she went, and said she appreciated the focus on trying to help the community.

Security breach at JFK forces delays

NEW YORK (AP) — A busy terminal at John F. Kennedy International Airport was evacuated Saturday after a passenger opened a restricted door and set off an alarm, officials said.

The incident delayed dozens of flights and caused headaches for hundreds of travelers who had to exit the terminal, wait for police to sweep through the building, and then return for a second security screening.

"I just hope I'm not late for my flight," said Victor Medina, looking frustrated after waiting 2 1/2 hours to be re-screened for a connection from Mexico to London.

The security breach apparently involved a passenger who arrived on a flight from Orlando, Fla., and, while exiting Kennedy's Terminal 8, opened a door that was supposed to be used only by airport workers.

Port Authority of New York and New Jersey spokesman Steve Coleman said security cameras recorded the incident just before 3:30 p.m.

Authorities were initially unsure whether the person had been coming or going from the terminal and evacuated the secure areas of the building while they investigated. The Transportation Security Administration said its agents and Port Authority police were searching for the person who walked through the door. It was not immediately clear whether the passenger would face charges.

"They have such big signs, I don't know how you can miss that," said Teijo Niemela of Lambertville, N.J., waiting in a security line for his delayed flight to Helsinki. "That makes me angry about the whole system. We pay a lot of money because of someone's mistakes."

Spanish official's photo used for bin Laden

By **Harold Heckle**
Associated Press writer

MADRID — A Spanish lawmaker was horrified to learn that the FBI used an online photograph of him to create an image showing what Osama bin Laden might look like today.

The image using Gaspar Llamazares' photo appeared on a wanted poster updating the U.S. government's 1998 photo of the al-Qaida leader.

FBI spokesman Ken Hoffman acknowledged to the Spanish newspaper El Mundo that the agency used a picture of Llamazares taken from Google Images.

In a statement Saturday, the agency would say only that it was aware of similarities between their age-pro-



Llamazares

Bin Laden
(FBI composite)

gressed image "and that of an existing photograph of a Spanish public official."

"The forensic artist was unable to find suitable features among the reference photographs and obtained those features, in part, from a photograph he found on the Internet," the FBI said in a statement to The Associated Press.

The wanted poster appeared on the State Department Web site

"It might provoke mirth, but it demonstrates that what we're seeing from security services isn't exactly recommendable."

— **Gaspar Llamazares, on the FBI's use of his photo in a wanted poster for bin Laden**

rewardsforjustice.net, listing a reward of up to \$25 million. The FBI said the photo of bin Laden would be removed from the Web site.

Llamazares, former leader of the United Left party, was elected to Spain's parliament in 2000. The photograph of him used to make the wanted poster originally appeared on posters for his 2004 general-election campaign.

He said he would no longer feel safe traveling to the United States after his hair and facial wrinkles appeared

on the bin Laden image.

"I was surprised and angered because it's the most shameless use of a real person to make up the image of a terrorist," Llamazares said Saturday at a news conference. "It's almost like out of a comedy if it didn't deal with matters as serious as bin Laden and citizens' security."

Llamazares planned to ask the U.S. government for an explanation and said he reserved the right to take legal action.

As exit nears, ratings soar for Conan O'Brien

PASADENA, Calif. (AP) — Conan O'Brien's ratings are soaring as he nears a bitter exit from NBC's "Tonight" show, his ridicule of his network executives apparently resonating in a country filled with the unemployed.

His ratings Friday were 50 percent higher than they've been this season, and he beat CBS' David Letterman, according to a preliminary Nielsen Co. estimate based on large markets. In the 18-to-49-year-old demographic that NBC relies on to set advertising prices, O'Brien even beat Jay Leno's prime-time show.

Settlement talks continued Saturday on a deal that

would let O'Brien leave NBC and restore Leno to the 11:35 p.m. time slot he occupied for 17 years through last spring.

O'Brien's ratings have been rising through the week, which was an extraordinary one in late-night television and saw O'Brien and Letterman hurling barbed remarks at Leno, and Leno firing back.

O'Brien's team sees the ratings as vindication. His manager, Gavin Polone, on Saturday compared it to when Leno, trailing Letterman in the ratings in the mid-1990s, drew attention for the memorable appearance of Hugh Grant after his arrest.

Karen Elaine Bolduc

HAGERMAN — Karen Elaine Bolduc, 66, a resident of Hagerman, Idaho, died Friday, Jan. 15, 2010, at her residence.

She was born in Vashon, Wash., on June 11, 1943, to J.R. and Cleo Mann.

She was raised in Vinita, Okla., and moved to Idaho in the early 1970s. She met and married Chase Bolduc on Feb. 20, 1976. She had three children and Chase also had three children. They are: Douglas Deitrick of Vinita, Okla.; Terrie Coonce of Texas; Sheryl Smith of Greenville, S.C.; Mark (Tina) Bolduc of Hagerman; Donette (Randy) Pickett of Spokane, Wash.; and Tina (George) Woods of Hemett, Calif.

She has 12 grandchildren, Mike, Matt (Augusta), Tawni, Josh (Jayln), Coy, Caine, Bailey, Marty, Tressa, Alexandria, Samantha, April (Stan). There are also 12 great-grandchildren, Lilly; Hunter; Taylor; Brienna;

Josh; Trey; Addee; Emerie; Stanley; Bailey; Keaton; and Campbell.

She had an incredible love for animals, woman's best friend, her Yorkie, Broddy, and Yanni, the Persian cat.

After retirement, they headed out in a motor home where they spent nine years seeing the country and visiting family. Her favorite places to visit were Hailey and anywhere the grandchildren were.

After many years battling kidney disease, this "Tough Old Bird" is now resting with the Lord.

The family would like to give special thanks to Denise and Jennifer of Davita Dialysis in Twin Falls, they gave her their all.

A memorial service will be held at 1 p.m. on Tuesday, Jan. 19, 2010, at Demaray Funeral Service, Wendell Chapel, with Rev. Mike Hollomon officiating. Services will conclude at the chapel.

TWIN FALLS — Norma Lou Benoit passed away peacefully on Sunday, Dec. 20, 2009, from coronary artery disease.

She was born to John and Clara Louise McMurray on Sept. 17, 1919, in Oakley, Idaho. Norma was the youngest of eight children.

She graduated from Oakley High School, where she was Junior Class President, Student Body President, and valedictorian of her graduating class. Along with lifelong friend Bonnie Hardy, she edited the first Oakley High School annual. Bonnie reports that Norma was nice to everyone she knew, and never had an unkind word to say about anyone. That was true of Norma to the end. Norma attended the University of Idaho, graduating with a Bachelor of Science degree in education in 1942. She was a member and president of Delta Gamma sorority.

She met Edward Benoit during her freshman year. They dated through college, marrying on Dec. 28, 1942. Norma and Ed lived at Will Rogers Field in Oklahoma, during World War II, where her daughter Lou was born. Her second child Lesley was born in Salt Lake City, Utah, while Ed was attending law school. Ed and Norma settled in Twin Falls in 1950, where Ed joined his father's law practice. Ed passed away in October 1998.

Norma was a favorite of children on Alturas Drive, where she and Ed lived for over 40 years. They would frequently stop by her home just to visit with her. Norma was a wonderful mother to her daughters. She was always there for her family, spending many hours at the nursing home, first with her mother and later with her older sister.

For many years Norma worked with the Delta Gamma Alumnae Associ-

ation to make life better for the blind. She helped start a project to give moral and financial assistance to students at the Idaho State School for the Deaf and Blind in Gooding, and to supply a Braille and large print library to the school. She also worked with the National Society to Prevent Blindness, chairing a program that provided test kits so that local parents of preschool and elementary school children could perform vision screening of their children at home.

In 1981, Norma helped form a committee, whose goal was to expand intellectual and cultural activity in the Magic Valley. The committee established the Snake River Symposium. Sponsored by the College of Southern Idaho, the Symposium has brought nationally known speakers to the community for over two decades.

Norma was active with PEO chapter A I. She was a president of St. Edwards PTA, a member and secretary of the United Fund, and a member and secretary of the Salvation Army Board. In June 1981, the Boise Statesman recognized Norma as a Distinguished Citizen of Idaho.

Norma's last five years were very challenging. She lost her sight from macular degeneration and became less mobile and aware as time went by. But she was seldom cross, never complained, and always thanked those who cared for her. Though this was a sad sight for her family, she seemed pain free and content with her existence.

Norma is survived by daughters, Lou Wendling and Lesley Austin; sons-in-law, Hank Wendling and Jim Austin; grandchildren,



Hank, Edward, Lesley Wendling and Lindsey and Michael Austin; great-grandchildren, Alicia, Abby, Bridie, and Meaghan Wendling; and brother, Kay McMurray. Norma lived long enough to meet her youngest great-grandchild, Akasha Rose Nelson, now deceased.

A Memorial Mass will be held at St. Edwards Catholic Church, Twin Falls, at 10 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 23, followed by a reception in the parish hall.

In lieu of flowers donations can be made to the Macular Degeneration Foundation (www.eyesight.org) or the American Macular Degeneration Foundation (www.macular.org).

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DEATH NOTICES

Ann M. Rene'

Ann Marie Rene', 95, of Twin Falls, died Friday, Jan. 15, 2010, at her home in Twin Falls.

Arrangements will be announced by Reynolds Funeral Chapel of Twin Falls.

Brendan Armstrong

BOISE — Brendan Armstrong, 43, of Boise, died Friday, Jan. 15, 2010 at his home.

Arrangements will be announced by Summers Funeral Homes of Boise Chapel.

Jose D.M. Gutierrez

BURLEY — Jose Daniel Magana Gutierrez of Burley, infant son of Jesus and Maria Magana Gutierrez, was still-born Friday, Jan. 15, 2010, at Cassia Regional Medical Center.

Arrangements will be announced by Rasmussen Funeral Home of Burley.

Margaret Meneice

Margaret Lucille Meneice, age 94, of Burley, died Friday, Jan. 15, 2010, at Highland Estates Assisted Living in Burley.

Arrangements will be announced by Rasmussen Funeral Home of Burley.

Tyler Watson

MOUNTAIN HOME — Tyler Watson, 24, of Mountain Home, formerly of Hailey, died Friday, Jan. 15, 2010.

Arrangements will be announced by Rost Funeral Home, McMurtrey Chapel of Mountain Home.

Dorothy L. Keaton

Dorothy L. Keaton, 81, if Buhl, died Saturday, Jan. 16, 2010, at St. Luke's Magic Valley Medical Center in Twin Falls. Arrangements will be announced by Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home of Twin Falls.

SERVICES

Elva Mae Felton of Twin Falls, graveside service at 11 a.m. Monday at the Twin Falls Cemetery (White Mortuary "Chapel by the Park" in Twin Falls)

James L. (Jim) Corbett of Nampa and formerly of the Magic Valley area, memorial service at 1:30 p.m. Monday at the First Church of the Nazarene, 610 16 Ave. S. in Nampa (Flahiff Funeral Home in Caldwell)

Jose Daniel Magana Gutierrez of Burley, graveside service at 2 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 19, at Gem Memorial Gardens, 2435 Overland Ave. in Burley (Rasmussen Funeral Home)

Floyd Allan Finney of Kimberly, memorial service at 1 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 21, at the Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Road in Twin Falls; celebration after the service at Log Tavern, 401 Fourth Ave. W. in Twin Falls (Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home)

Dorothy Lee Keaton of Buhl, funeral at 6 p.m. Monday, Jan. 18, at the Mountain Funeral Bible Baptist Church of Mountain

Songwriter Bobby Charles dies at 71

NEW ORLEANS (AP) — Bobby Charles, the singer-songwriter who penned such hits as Fats Domino's "Walking to New Orleans" and "See You Later Alligator" by Bill Haley and the Comets, died Thursday. He was 71.

Charles, a Louisiana Cajun whose real name is Robert Charles Guidry, died at his home in Abbeville, La., said his publicist Karen Johnson. Though she did not know the cause of death, Johnson said Charles had diabetes and was in remission from kidney cancer.

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Marie K. Smith

Marie K. Smith, 96, went home to be with the Lord on Friday, Jan. 15, 2010. She was a long time resident of Willowbrook in Twin Falls.

Marie was born on Aug. 28, 1913, in Hailey, grew up and went to school there. Her parents, John and Marie Browning, emigrated from Denmark and farmed in the Blaine County area. Marie grew up with four siblings.

She graduated from Gannett High School, and was the only one of her family to attend college where she earned a teaching certificate from Healds College in Berkeley, Calif.

Marie taught at Gannett school where her future husband, Glenn Smith, was principal. They were married June 28, 1936, and had one daughter, Carol Marie.

As a teacher she was dedicated to her students. She taught high school business at Bellevue and Hailey schools and finished her 32-year career at Hailey High School. Her students won many honors and awards, a tribute to her teaching skills. In addition to a heavy teaching load, Marie was advisor to several classes, advisor for the school yearbook and the school paper, and directed many school plays.

Flowers were her passion. In her yard at Hailey, the fences were lined with sweet



peas and the walks were lined with petunias. Marie was a busy lady and her summers, when she was not attending summer school, were filled with yard work.

Her seamstress work was admired, and she sewed for the Idaho Department store in Twin Falls and other towns.

She was a friend to her fellow teachers, and always boarded one of the high school teachers in her home. And, of course, she was an admired and loving mother, grandmother and mother-in-law. She enjoyed the family gatherings and was a great cook. Serving great meals to her family and friends was her favorite thing to do.

Marie was preceded in death by her parents; husband, Glenn Smith; two brothers, Charlie and Johnny Browning; and sister, Anna Clark. She is survived by her daughter, Carol (Chuck) Brockway of Twin Falls; nine grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; and her sister, Ethel Buhler.

A service will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 23, 2010, at the Wood River Chapel on Main St. in Hailey, with internment in the Hailey cemetery.

Services are under the direction of Rosenau Funeral Home in Twin Falls.

Delbert (Del) Rupert

Delbert (Del) Rupert passed away Wednesday, Jan. 13, 2010, of natural causes.

He was born June 5, 1924, in Wendell, Idaho, the second son of Virgil Ambrose Rupert and Lula Minnie Bennett. He spent his childhood in the Seattle area and graduated from Broadway High School. He enlisted in the Marine Corps in 1942, achieving the rank of corporal. Del served in the Pacific in World War II as a rifle expert and demolition specialist. He was honorably discharged and awarded the Purple Heart for wounds received on Iwo Jima.

He married Rose Showers in 1947, from which three sons were born, Del Jr., Mark and Bret. Del's career was in the beverage-alcohol business. He worked for the Jerome Sales Co. after the war selling Bohemian Beer and later opened Del's Distributing Co. in Twin Falls. He formed Rupert Beverage Co. in 1972, which he passed on to his sons, Mark and Bret. Del was civic minded as evidenced in his active participation in Burley Chamber of Commerce, the Jaycees, the Lions Club, BPO Elks and Toastmasters. After the death of his wife, Rose, in



1978, he married Ruth Ball. They enjoyed many years together and especially their role as grandparents. Del was an avid golfer and passed this passion on to his sons and grandchildren.

He is survived by his sons, Del Jr. (Lora) of Bozeman, Mont., and children Aaron, Becky and Colin, Mark (Shelley) of Boise and children, Katie and Allison, Bret (Lori) of Boise and children, Andrew and Courtney. He was preceded in death by his parents; brothers, Virgil and Edward; and wives, Rose and Ruth.

A celebration of life will be held from 2 to 5 p.m. Friday, Jan. 22, at Quinn's Lounge, 1005 Vista Ave. in Boise. Internment will be at 1 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 23, at the Jerome Cemetery, followed by a reception at the Jerome Country Club.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to Idaho Junior Golf Foundation, 4696 W. Overland Road, Boise, ID 83705.

Verdas Henry Reed

KALISPELL, Mont. — Verdas Henry Reed, age 96, passed away peacefully into the arms of his Heavenly Father on Tuesday, Jan. 12, 2010, at his home in Kalispell, Mont.



He was born in a log home on July 19, 1913, in Lorenzo, Idaho, to James Henry and Maud (Armstrong) Reed. Verdas was the first of 10 children and spent his childhood on the dry farm on Birch Creek East of Ririe, Idaho, and on the small farm on Butler Island. He attended a one-room school house on Butler Island and later went to Ririe Elementary School for the remainder of his early education. After grade school, he went to Rigby High School for two years and then to Ucon High School the next two years, graduating in the spring of 1932. He attended Ricks College for one quarter but had to return to the farm to help his family.

Verdas has always loved the gospel of Jesus Christ and has served with all his heart in the work of the Lord. He served his first full-time mission from 1935 through 1937 in the Southern States Mission under LeGrande Richards. It was there that he met Bardella Bulkeley from Burley, Idaho, who was serving in the same mission. After their missions, they became reacquainted and eventually married Oct. 6, 1938, in the Salt Lake Temple.

Verdas began his career as a farmer in Ririe on the family farm. After his mission and marriage, they moved to Leslie, Idaho, where all six of their children were born, Camille, James LeGrande, Marie Louise, JoAnn, Verdella and Frank Leland. They lived there until 1950 when the family moved to a farm outside of Arco, Idaho. He went to work on the Arco Desert for the Atomic Energy Commission as a carpenter. While working there, he injured his back and had surgery in 1959 which required him to find other type of work.

He tried his hand as a salesman, first as a real estate and life insurance agent and later, he sold Pre-Need Funeral plans in the Idaho Falls Area. In 1963, the company transferred him to a cemetery in Pocatello. The family moved there. In 1971, he was offered employment with the LDS Church in the Independence, Mo., visitor's center and in 1972, he became responsible for all the church historic sites in Missouri, which included the Independence Visitors Center, Liberty Jail Visitors Center, Richmond Cemetery, Far West Temple Site and a small area at Adam-Ondi-Ahman. He worked there until 1978, at the age of 65, when the church retired him and he and Bardella returned to Burley, Idaho, to care for her aging mother, Luella Buckeley.

While in Burley, Verdas began yet another career working for the Idaho State Inspection Service sampling potatoes. He worked on and off for the next 21 years when he

retired again at age 86. In 2005, he decided to move to Kalispell, Mont., to be close to three of his girls, Camille in Bigfork, JoAnn in Whitefish and Marie in Kalispell. He lived with Marie until the time of his passing.

Verdas has always had a love for people and his gentle smile and loving heart made you his friend from the first visit. He was always there for his family and they were the joy of his life. He had a love for music and shared it throughout his life in choirs and other singing groups. Even at the age of 95, he was still singing in the ward choir in the Bigfork Ward. He was active even at age 96 cutting lawns and building things. He was an amazing example of how to live a good Christian life, and his passing will leave a big hole in the hearts of all who knew him.

He is preceded in death by his parents; his wife, Bardella; one brother, Glenn; two sisters, Eloise and Eleanor; one grandson; and two great-grandchildren. He is survived by his six children, Camille Gloschat and husband J.A. "Fred" of Bigfork, Mont., and Sun City West, Ariz., James Reed and wife Velma of Burley, Idaho, Marie Love and husband Larry of Kalispell, Mont., JoAnn Hudson and husband Mark of Whitefish, Mont., Verdella Grout and husband Richard of Driggs, Idaho, and Frank Reed and wife Claudia of Tooele, Utah; four sisters, Ruth Withers and Carol Sue Nef, both of Rexburg, Idaho, Delaine Young and husband Mick of Idaho Falls, Idaho, and Barbara Clarke and husband J. Richard of Salt Lake City, Utah; two brothers, Clare Reed, and Gale Reed and wife Delilah, all of Ririe, Idaho; 40 grandchildren; 116 great-grandchildren; 22 great-great-grandchildren; with many other family and friends.

The family will greet people at an open house visitation from 4 to 8 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 21, at the Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Chapel in Kalispell, Mont. The funeral for Verdas Reed will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 23, at the LDS 4th Ward Church, 515 E. 16th St. in Burley, Idaho, with burial to follow at the Pleasant View Cemetery. The visitation in Burley will be one hour prior to service in the Relief Society Room at the church.

Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Home and Crematory is caring for Verdas' family. You are invited to go to www.jgfuneralhome.com to view Verdas' guest book, offer condolences and share memories.

Patricia Joe Jones

UTAH — Patricia Joe (Ward) Jones, 70, ended her decade-long battle with breast cancer and passed peacefully through the veil Saturday, Jan. 9, 2010, surrounded by her husband and family.

She was born in Twin Falls, Idaho, on Sept. 16, 1939, to Ross and Catherine Ward. Patty was the second of four children, Georgeanna (Lloyd) Johnson; Grant (Judy); and Kathy.

She attended Curry Union School on the Oregon Trail, graduated from Twin Falls High School in 1957, and Brigham Young University Provo, Utah, in 1961, with a bachelor's degree in English and a minor in drama. Having attained a Secondary Teaching Certificate, she taught at high schools in Idaho, Virginia and Utah.

Patty sang at dances and funeral homes to earn money during college, and was First Runner-Up in the 1960 Miss Twin Falls pageant.

She met her eternal mate, Thomas L. Jones Jr., at BYU and married June 28, 1962, in the Salt Lake City Temple. She then brought Tom through medical school, internship, the U.S. Navy, residency, private practice, and administrative medicine at the Utah Department of Health.

Together, they had seven children, Tom III; Lara; Jared; Joshua (Lisa); Benjamin; Jesse (Erika); and Zachary (Kelly); who gave them 12 grandchil-



dren. Hand-in-hand with her husband, she shepherded all six boys through Cub Scouts, Arrow of Light and on to Eagle Scouts, and her daughter into the world of music.

During their 47 years together, Patty loved books, cooking, Sunday drives with her husband, and battling for the daily crossword puzzle.

She was never afraid to try new things; from driving farm equipment as soon as her feet could reach the pedals, coaching softball and running a home-based cooking school; to sailing across the Bermuda Triangle in 30-foot seas, jewelry making and rock hounding. She served missions for her church as an alto in the Mormon Tabernacle Choir and assisted her husband in his role as an area medical adviser in the Monterrey Mexico North Mission.

Her optimism and laughter in the face of breast cancer gave her family and friends strength in their temporal trials. She was preceded in death by her parents; sister, Kathy; and son, Jared.

A viewing will be held from 6 to 8 p.m. on Tuesday, Jan. 19, at Holladay Cottonwood Mortuary, 4670 S. Highland Drive., Utah. Funeral services will be held from noon to 1 p.m. on Wednesday, Jan. 20, at Holladay 25th Ward, 4650 S. Naniloa Dr., Utah, with a final viewing for family and friends one hour prior.

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Opinion 5

Hunger and hope, thirst and frenzy grip Haiti

By Alfred de Montesquiou and Mike Melia
Associated Press writers

PORT-AU-PRINCE, Haiti — Precious water, food and early glimmers of hope began reaching parched and hungry earthquake survivors Saturday on the streets of this shattered city, where despair at times turned into a frenzy among the ruins.

“People are so desperate for food that they are going crazy,” said accountant Henry Ounche, in a crowd of hundreds who fought one another as U.S. military helicopters clattered overhead carrying aid.

When other Navy choppers dropped rations and Gatorade into a soccer stadium thronged with refugees, 200 youths began brawling, throwing stones, to get at the supplies.

Across the hilly, steamy city, where people choked on the stench of death, hope faded by the hour for finding many more victims alive in the rubble, four days after Tuesday’s catastrophic earthquake.



People run toward a U.S. helicopter as it makes a water drop Saturday near a country club used as a forward operating base for the U.S. 82nd Airborne Division in Port-au-Prince, Haiti.

AP photo

Still, here and there, the murmur of buried victims spurred rescue crews on, even as aftershocks threatened to finish off crumbling buildings.

“No one’s alive in there,” a woman sobbed outside the wrecked Montana Hotel. But hope wouldn’t die. “We can hear a survivor,” search crew chief Alexander Luque of Namibia later reported. His men dug on. Elsewhere, an American team pulled a woman alive from a collapsed university building where she had been trapped for 97 hours. Another crew got water to three survivors whose shouts could be heard deep in the ruins of a multi-story supermarket that pancaked on top of them.

Nobody knew how many were dead. Haiti’s government alone has already recovered 20,000 bodies —

not counting those recovered by independent agencies or relatives themselves, Prime Minister Jean-Max Bellerive told The Associated Press.

In a fresh estimate, the Pan American Health Organization said 50,000 to 100,000 people perished in the quake. Bellerive said 100,000 would “seem to be the minimum.” Truckloads of corpses were being trundled to mass graves.

A U.N. humanitarian spokeswoman declared the quake the worst disaster the international organization has ever faced, since so much government and U.N. capacity in the country was demolished. In that way, Elisabeth Byrs said in Geneva, it’s worse than the cataclysmic Asian tsunami of 2004: “Everything is damaged.”

Also Saturday, Secretary of State Hillary Rodham

Clinton flew to Port-au-Prince to pledge more American assistance and said the U.S. would be “as responsive as we need to be.” President Obama met with former Presidents George W. Bush and Bill Clinton and urged Americans to donate

to Haiti relief efforts.

As the day wore on, search teams recovered the body of Tunisian diplomat Hedi Annabi, the United Nations chief of mission in Haiti, and other top U.N. officials who were killed when their headquarters collapsed.

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OBITUARY

Lloyd Thompson

BOISE — Lloyd Thompson, 91, passed peacefully in his sleep Jan. 14, 2010.

Lloyd, as a teenager, came to Idaho with his older brother on the back of a Harley Davidson, on U.S. Highway 30, then a gravel road. What a trip! It is difficult to imagine the experiences they had on the open road between Missouri and Idaho in those years.

As a young man, Lloyd was a member of the Civilian Conservation Corps and helped build Anderson Dam on the Boise River. When Lloyd came west, some of his family members were already settled in Idaho. Lloyd became a successful farmer in the Burley-Milner area well into his 40’s.

During those years Lloyd had four main interests: farming, elk hunting, flying, and fishing; fishing most of all. At age 44, he left the farm to become a commercial fisherman on the Oregon



Coast. After 15 years of commercial fishing, he and his wife Ruth moved to the Tri-Cities in Wash. They wanted to be near good fishing in the Columbia River and half way between the Oregon Coast, and their many friends and family members in southern Idaho. While in the Tri-Cities, Lloyd began oil painting which he continued to enjoy into his 90’s. After his beloved Ruth passed away in 2003, Lloyd lived in Boise.

Surviving Lloyd is his older brother, Harold Thompson of Jerome; his daughter Ann Thompson (John) Magel of Boise; daughter-in-law, Betty Acquire Thompson of Kimberly; four grandchildren, Roxanne Thompson (Bill) Tattersall of Eden; Roy Thompson of Carthage, Texas; Rachele Thompson (Brett) Gentry of Amarillo, Texas; and Rodney (Marge) Thompson of Buhl. Also surviving are his 14

great-grandchildren and three great-great-grandchildren.

Lloyd’s parents, nine brothers and one sister, his wife Ruth and Son Virgil Wayne Thompson preceded him in death.

A celebration of Lloyd’s life will be held at 10:30 a.m. on Tuesday, Jan. 19, 2010, at Parke’s Magic Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Road, Twin Falls, with Pastor Dale Metzger officiating.

All services and arrangements are under the direction of the Parke’s Magic Valley Funeral Home of Twin Falls, Idaho.

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Quake workers in Haiti rescue living, mourn dead

By **Tamara Lush**
Associated Press writer

PORT-AU-PRINCE, Haiti — All rescuers saw of Saint-Helene Jean-Louis when they arrived at the collapsed University of Port-au-Prince building were the top of her head and her left hand.

It had been four days since a 7.0-magnitude earthquake leveled the building, one of hundreds destroyed in the most powerful natural disaster to hit the impoverished Caribbean nation in more than 200 years — but the 29-year-old student was still breathing inside a stairwell of the former four-story structure. She was surrounded by eight decaying bodies, one entwined with her own.

Rescuers from the Fairfax County, Virginia, Urban Search and Rescue team tore away through a few more layers, digging down and sideways to free her upper body. She was able to sip a little water.

How dehydration affects the body

Adult water output:
Urine (in cups average) 6.3
Breathing, sweating and bowel movements 4.2

Suggested daily intake:
Men About 13
Women About 9

SOURCES: Mayo Clinic; The Institute of Medicine

Nearly 30 hours later, working in two shifts, they pulled Jean-Louis out of the building — still alive. She was able to say her name before being whisked away to an Israeli field hospital.

“To me, she’s the hero of the group,” said Fairfax County firefighter Richard

McKinney. “She had to have spent that first night by herself.”

Other foreign and national rescue teams working feverishly to find survivors in the capital of Port-au-Prince celebrated their own successes: Israeli troops rescued the director of Haiti’s tax

ministry who was trapped in the ruins of his office building. Soldiers carried him out on a stretcher, checked his vital signs and declared him unhurt.

Eighteen members of Mexico’s Rescue Brigade, a group with mole-like tunneling skills that rescued survivors after Mexico’s deadly 1985 earthquake and in New York after Sept. 11, pulled seven survivors out from under collapsed buildings Friday, said brigade coordinator Fernando Alvarez.

Some were not as lucky: The United Nations announced Saturday that the body of Haiti mission chief Hedi Annabi was found in the rubble of the agency’s headquarters, which collapsed in the earthquake.

Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon said the bodies of Annabi’s deputy, Luiz Carlos da Costa, and the acting police commissioner, Doug Coates, also were found.

The Rev. Dr. Sam Dixon, head of the United Methodist Church’s humanitarian relief agency, died before he could be rescued from the rubble of the Hotel Montana, which was destroyed by the earthquake, the church said in a statement from New York.

Emergency workers were still attempting to rescue possible survivors from the hotel Saturday after hearing the voice of a woman speaking in French. The teams said they thought they also had located two other people alive under the rubble.

Nearly 30 teams from around the globe were scrambling Saturday to find and rescue the living, U.S. Secretary of State Hillary Clinton told reporters in Port-au-Prince.

It was increasingly a race against time: Red Cross spokesman Simon Schorno noted that the critical 72-hour period for finding sur-

vivors “has past and ... these stories of people surviving are getting rarer.”

Mindful of the odds against the victims, rescuers are celebrating their occasional bouts of good fortune as nothing less than miracles.

“The whole thing is pretty amazing,” Fairfax County Lt. Evan Lewis said of Jean-Louis’ rescue. “I’ve been doing this for a long time and you don’t see that many people buried for that long of a time who are still coherent.”

Jean-Louis didn’t speak English, but was able to talk to a local Creole-speaking firefighter while rescuers sawed, drilled, hammered and pulled at the rubble. She stated her age and what part of her body hurt. They inserted IVs into her arms and began administering fluids and antibiotics.

“I just kept telling her, ‘Slow and steady,’” said Fairfax County rescuer Robert Schoenberger.

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IHSAA to evaluate playoff games at Holt Arena

Organization looks for more affordable rent

By David Bashore
Times-News writer

The only postseason football Holt Arena has known since 1983 could be in jeopardy.

The Idaho High School Activities Association will evaluate its relationship with the Pocatello facility as it relates to state football playoffs, it said at its December meeting, citing cost concerns.

“One of the board mem-

bers wanted to take a look at why we got charged more for Holt than we did for other places, and that’s when all that other stuff comes into play,” said Jerome High School Athletic Director Ty Jones, a board member with IHSAA. “Is it because of seat repair costs and things like that, or physically they charge more? We discovered that it was because they just charged more.”

Holt Arena, Idaho State University’s home venue, is

the middle of the three college sites used for IHSAA football playoffs as far as rent goes, with a \$2,500 fee. Bronco Stadium at Boise State University charges a flat \$2,700 for the facility and parking costs, and the University of Idaho’s Kibbie Dome charges \$1,300.

Holt Arena and the Kibbie Dome also charge for ticket takers, ushers, security, medical personnel and other necessary help to stage the event and clean up after-



Courtesy of Idaho State University

ward. Bronco Stadium does not. All three stadiums rent by the day and not the event, said Cheryl Millington, IHSAA office manager.

The problem, as far as IHSAA is concerned, is that Holt Arena charges fees the other facilities don’t, including a surcharge of \$1

per ticket sold, plus seat repair fees of \$15 for broken chairs and \$30 for destroyed chairs.

George Casper, director of events for Idaho State, said that while Holt Arena rates have been static for several years, he’d be willing to listen to what IHSAA has to say.

“Every place is looking at all their costs, and I’m sure (IHSAA’s) sales are down this year. They’re no different than anybody else,” Casper said. “No one has contacted me yet. ... (IHSAA

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Charles in charge

Odum leads CSI men past CNCC

By Mike Christensen
Times-News writer

The Golden Eagles won’t forget their newly outlined team goals. Chuck Odum won’t let them.

The sophomore guard’s aggressive play helped the College of Southern Idaho men’s basketball team climb back to .500 in Scenic West Athletic Conference play with a 104-71 home win over Colorado Northwestern Community College Saturday night.

CSI’s new team motto talks about effort and positive energy. Odum displayed both on Saturday, scoring 24 points and grabbing four steals as the Golden Eagles improved to 14-7 overall (5-5 SWAC).

“Thank heavens for Charles Odum’s leadership tonight,” said CSI head coach Steve Gosar. “He was big. He got everybody going and they rallied behind him.”

Most of Odum’s points came on strong drives to the hoop, prompting this from Gosar: “He attacked the rim like it stole something from him.”

Said Odum: “I can’t leave the locker room without saying, ‘I’m going to play my absolute hardest today.’ That’s my New Year’s resolution.”

After jumping to a 13-2 lead, CSI struggled to defend CNCC and soon trailed 21-



DREW GODLESKI/For the Times-News

College of Southern Idaho guard Chuck Odum drives to the basket against the Colorado Northwestern Saturday in Twin Falls.

20. Leading just 43-37 at intermission, the Eagles locked down on defense in the second half and quickly built a double-digit cushion

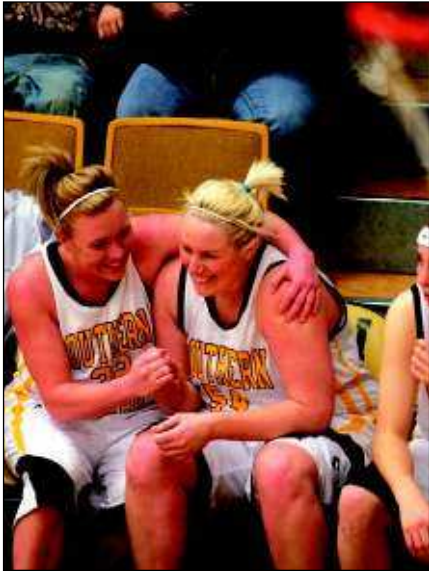
that continued to grow until the final horn.

“I challenged these guys at halftime and they came out and responded in a big

way,” said Gosar.

A big reason for the second-half explosion was the

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College of Southern Idaho freshman Devan Matkin, left, congratulates Maddy Plunkett after Plunkett broke the CSI record for most points in a game against Colorado Northwestern Saturday.

DREW GODLESKI/For the Times-News

Plunkett sets scoring mark as CSI women roll

By Mike Christensen
Times-News writer

The Golden Eagles rediscovered two things on Saturday: Maddy Plunkett’s freshman form and their smiles.

Plunkett broke the program’s single-game scoring mark with 37 points and the College of Southern Idaho women’s basketball team thoroughly enjoyed itself in a 105-66 romp against Colorado Northwestern Community College.

Plunkett hit 16 of 22 shots in surpassing the previous mark of 36 points set by Maria Moore in a 2006 game against Central Arizona. Plunkett’s production on Saturday nearly matched her point total for the previous six games combined.

“I’ve been really down,” said Plunkett, who missed last season with a knee injury after being a NJCAA

All-American in 2007-08. “I haven’t had a lot of confidence in myself.

Obviously I haven’t been playing well. I’ve been scoring like four points a game which isn’t like me.

“I needed to find my old self.”

She did just that, scorching the nets for 19 first-half points and rolling from there as CSI moved to 14-6 overall and 6-4 in Scenic West Athletic Conference play.

“It was so exciting,” said freshman guard Daidra Brown, who assisted on a number of Plunkett’s buckets, including a behind-the-back dish on a fast break. “I was just looking for her because I knew she was on fire.”

Brown had 17 points and seven assists on the day, while post Laurel Kearsley had 12 points, 12 boards and seven assists,

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BREAKING THE ICE



DREW GODLESKI/For the Times-News

Magic Valley Gymnastics team members Madison Miller high-fives her coach after competing on the uneven bars during the Ice Breaker Invitational Saturday in Twin Falls. Miller finished second in the Level 7 all-around standings. For results, go to Magicvalley.com.

Saints thrash Cardinals, 45-14

Arizona’s defense not up to task

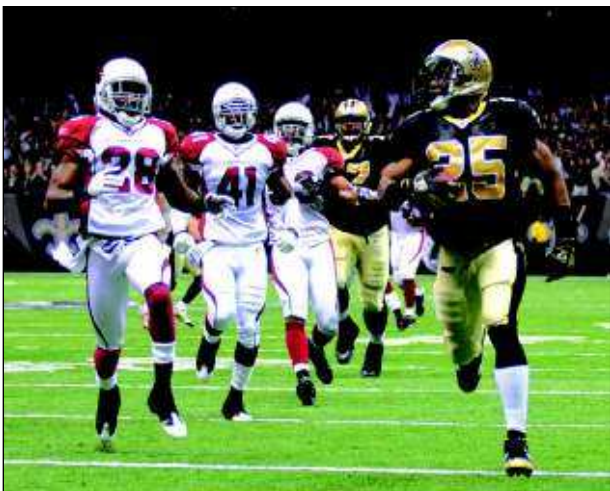
By Brett Martel
Associated Press writer

NEW ORLEANS — Maybe a little rest was all Drew Brees and Reggie Bush needed to shift the Saints’ league-leading offense back into overdrive.

That, and a visit from Arizona’s porous defense.

Brees threw three touchdown passes, Bush scored on an 83-yard punt return and a spectacular 46-yard run, and New Orleans overwhelmed the defending NFC champion Cardinals 45-14 in their divisional playoff game Saturday.

“We came off a stretch where we had all the advantages of being rested,” New



AP photo

New Orleans Saints running back Reggie Bush (25) looks back at Arizona Cardinals defenders as he scores a 46-yard touchdown during the first quarter of an NFC divisional playoff game in New Orleans, Saturday.

Orleans coach Sean Payton said. “We played with a lot of energy.”

One win from the Super

Bowl, the Saints will host an NFC title game for the first time in franchise history next weekend when they

INSIDE

Colts take on Ravens in AFC action, plus Coach of the Year results.

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play the winner of Sunday’s game between Dallas and Minnesota.

“There’s been a lot of firsts since Sean Payton has been here in the organization and we want to keep that going,” Brees said. “We want to bring this franchise a championship.”

Jeremy Shockey caught a touchdown pass in his return from a three-game absence. Devery Henderson and Marques Colston also had touchdown catches, and Lynell Hamilton had a short touchdown run for the Saints.

Three-pointers lead T.F. over Minico

Times-News

Erin Grubbs-Imhoff hit eight 3-pointers and scored 25 points to lead Twin Falls to a 64-57 win at Minico on Saturday evenings.

Jazlyn Nielsen added 14 for the Bruins (9-6, 4-4 Great Basin Conference), who hit 10 of their 20 field goals from beyond the arc.

Minico (12-4, 5-2) got 19 points from Kendra Bailey and 17 from Brecka Fetzner in the loss. The Spartans hit nine of their 14 field goals from 3-point land.

The Bruins swelled their lead to as many as 18 in the third quarter before Minico rallied.

“We just couldn’t shut down Grubbs-Imhoff and they built up that big lead,” said Minico coach Joe D. Shepard. “We battled back but we were too far behind a good team like Twin.”

Minico hosts Canyon Ridge on Tuesday, while Twin Falls visits Jerome.

Twin Falls 64, Minico 57

Twin Falls

Minico

15 18 15 16 - 64
13 11 12 - 57

TWIN FALLS (64)

Jordan 7, Clark 4, Grubbs-Imhoff 25, Jund 5, Kelsey 7, Bartlett 2, Nielsen 14. Totals 20 14-26 64.

MINICO (57)

Kelli Kindig 3, Kendra Bailey 19, Marlee Chandler 10, Brecka Fetzner 17, Tianna Stimpson 2, Taylor O’Connell 6. Totals 14 20-24 57.

3-point goals: Twin Falls 10 (Grubbs-Imhoff 8, Nielsen, Kelsey); Minico 9 (Bailey 4, Fetzner 3, O’Connell, Kindig). Total fouls: Twin Falls 22, Minico 19. Fouled out: Minico, Kindig, Bailey. Technical fouls: none.

BURLEY 45, SKYLINE 35

Burley had three players reach double-digits and blitzed Skyline with a 20-point fourth quarter as the Bobcats picked up a 45-35 nonconference road win Saturday.

Cheri Preston scored 17 points, Teresa Wayment had 10 and Shawna Pace added 10 for Burley (9-7).

“In the first half we struggled offensively, but defensively we played well, luckily,” said Burley coach Gordon Kerbs. “In the fourth quarter we got some things going.”

Burley was down two heading into the fourth quarter, but took the lead and hung on with 8-for-10 free throw shooting down the stretch.

The Bobcats host Wood River in a key Great Basin Conference game on Tuesday.

Burley 45, Skyline 35

Burley

Skyline

8 7 10 20 - 45
7 8 12 8 - 35

BURLEY (45)

Kayla Kerbs 2, Cheri Preston 17, Brandee Potts 3, Teresa Wayment 11, Jessica Laumb 2.

SKYLINE (35)

Foster 3, Garn 7, Madson 2, Wiberburg 8, Wendt 13, Strubel 2. 3-point goals: Burley 3 (Preston 3). Skyline 1 (Wiberburg). Totals fouls: Burley 17, Skyline 15.

DECLO 60, DIETRICH 45

Sydney Webb scored 24 and Declo dominated the glass to pick up a 60-45 win at Dietrich on Saturday.

Both the losses for the Blue Devils (13-2), the No. 1-ranked team in Class 1A Division II, have come against Declo.

Ellie Dalton led Dietrich with eight points.

Dietrich hosts Bliss next Friday.

Declo 60, Dietrich 45

Declo

Dietrich

15 15 16 14 - 60
9 12 14 10 - 45

DECLO (60)

Brinlee Brashears 9, Melissa Carlson 2, Sierra Zollinger 3, Sydney Webb 24, Jazzura Duffee 5, Emilie Moore 13. Totals 24 12-19 60.

DIETRICH (45)

Jessica Perron 4, Nakia Norman 5, Ellie Dalton 8, Shayla Porter 7, Kelci Dalton 7, Moriah Dill 3, Hallie Stoddard 4, Dayna Phillips 6, Cheyenne Hubert 1. Totals 16 11-22 45.

3-point goals: Dietrich 2 (Perron, Norman). Total fouls: Declo 19, Dietrich 16. Fouled out: Declo, Zollinger. Technical fouls: none.

VALLEY 37, HANSEN 34

Alyssa Henry scored 22 points as Valley outlasted Hansen 37-37 on Saturday. The Huskies led 32-29 on a 3-pointer by Nadine Giardina, but Valley pulled ahead, Hansen’s Shawnie Higgins got off

a long 3-pointer at the buzzer, but missed.

The Huskies were led by Shelby Hancock’s 12 points.

Valley (7-9) travels to Glenms Ferry for a Canyon Conference game on Wednesday, Hansen is at Raft River on Wednesday.

Valley 37, Hansen 34

Hansen

Valley

10 3 12 9 - 34
11 7 7 12 - 37

HANSEN (34)

Nadine Giardina 7, Dori Lockwood 6, Mickenlie Baxter 2, Hannah Stanger 2, Shawnie Higgins 5, Shelby Hancock 12. Totals 14 5-10 34.

VALLEY (37)

Marrisa Richardson 2, Valene Lickley 4, Dacia Hunter 5, Alyssa Henry 22, Conny Chaires 4. Totals 12 10-14 37.

3-point goals: Hansen 1, Giardina; Valley 3, Henry 3. Totals fouls Hansen 12, Valley 11. Fouled out: none. Technical fouls: none.

CHALLIS 81, LIGHTHOUSE CHRISTIAN 9

The Challis Vikings romped over the host Lighthouse Christian Lions 81-9 at the Jerome Middle School in a Snake River Conference North Division contest.

Madison Garlie led the Vikings (14-2, 4-0) with 15 points followed by Marlae Moss with 13 and Amber Cotant had 10.

Lighthouse Christian (3-13, 0-4) travels to Hansen on Thursday.

Challis 81, Lighthouse Christian 9

Challis

Lighthouse Christian

29 18 20 14 - 81
0 4 32 - 9

CHALLIS (81)

Nicole Helm 4, Jenna Hamilton 8, Amber Kemmerer 6, Marlae Moss 13, Lori Dowton 6, Lacen Moss 3, Lauren Clark 8, Rachelle Chamberlain 2, Amber Cotant 10, Megan Lorrigan 6, Madison Garlie 15. Totals 37 6-10 81.

LIGHTHOUSE CHRISTIAN (9)

Luciana Romanus 1, Kelsey Fadness 3, Andrea Helman 5. Totals 3 1-2 9.

3-point goals: Challis 1 (L. Moss). Lighthouse Christian 2 (Fadness, Helman). Total fouls: Challis 4, LHC 9. Fouled out: none. Technical fouls: none.

Boys basketball

BUHL 63, GOODING 45

Scott Harris scored 17 points as Buhl took a 63-45 win at Gooding on Saturday. J.D. Leckenby chipped in 12 for the Tribe.

John Jensen’s 15 points led Gooding, while Devan McCool scored a dozen. The 1-9 Senators travel to Wendell on Tuesday. Buhl visits Filer on Thursday.

Buhl 63, Gooding 45

Buhl

Gooding

16 21 12 14 - 63
10 14 9 12 - 45

BUHL (63)

Scott Harris 17, Marco Avelar 2, JD Leckenby 12, Brian Schofield 1, Matt Hamilton 10, Camden Gillins 6, Cader Owen 2, Mark Montgomery 4, Markus Livley 9. Totals 25 13-20 63.

GOODING (45)

Derek Evans 3, Jacob Becker 2, Jon Jensen 15, Austin Basterrechea 6, Breck Stuart 7, Devan McCool 12. 15 10-20 45.

3-point goals: Gooding 5 (McCool 2, Evans, Jensen, Stuart). Total fouls: Buhl 20, Gooding 17. Fouled out: none.

CASTLEFORD 80, CHALLIS 38

Castleford improved to 9-1 for the season as the Wolves pounded the host Vikings 80-38.

Ethan Tverdy led five Castleford players in double figures with 14 points followed by Oscar Vargas with 12, Nick Howard and Tyler Hansen both scored 11 and Clayton Kline had 10 for the Wolves.

Challis (5-7) was led by Matt Helm with 14.

Castleford hosts Richfield on Tuesday.

Castleford 80, Challis 38

Castleford

Challis

28 20 22 10 - 80
8 12 12 6 - 38

CASTLEFORD (80)

Clayton Kline 10, Nick Howard 11, Oscar Vargas 12, Houston Horner 4, Kale Weekes 6, Sam Chavez 6, Tyler Hansen 11, Mitch Howard 4, Ethan Tverdy 14. Totals 32 14-18 80.

CHALLIS (38)

Jay Parkinson 8, Matt Helm 14, Craig Olson 6, Dalton Crane 10. Totals 15 6-18 38.

3-point goals: Castleford 2 (Kline 2), Challis 2 (Crane, Helm). Total fouls: Castleford 16, Challis 15. Fouled out: none. Technical fouls: none.

KIMBERLY 69, JEROME 64

Despite a double-double of 17 points and 14 rebounds by Jerome’s Jake Hollifield, the Tigers were nipped 69-64 by the Kimberly Bulldogs.

“Kimberly outthustled and outplayed us in every aspect of the game,” said Jerome coach Joe Messick. “We really had a lack of effort tonight.”

Nick Dame had a team-high 17

points for Kimberly, followed by 15 from Brian Crane. Derek Maloney had 11 and Dalton Harmon added 10 for the Bulldogs (5-5).

For the Tigers (8-5) Nolan McDonald 13 and Kameron Pearce each knocked down 13 and Gus Callen had 11.

Kimberly is at Canyon Ridge on Tuesday. Jerome hosts Twin Falls on Friday.

Kimberly 69, Jerome 64

Kimberly

Jerome

20 11 15 22 - 69
22 15 16 11 - 64

KIMBERLY (69)

Derek Maloney 11, Nick Dame 17, Dalton Harmon 10, Brian Crane 15, Parker Champlin 4, Tyler Wadsworth 2, Ethan Richmond 8, Cody Casperston 2. Totals 27 12-17 69.

JEROME (64)

Nolan McDonald 13, Kameron Pearce 13, Cameron Stauffer 7, Gus Callen 11, Jake Hollifield 17, Spencer Parker 3. Totals 26 8-18 64.

3-point goals: Kimberly 3 (Maloney, Crane, Champlin), Jerome 4 (Pearce, Stauffer, Callen, Parker). Total fouls: Kimberly 17, Jerome 13. Fouled out: Jerome, Callen. Technical fouls: none.

WENDELL 55, DECLO 35

Too many second-half missed free throws doomed Declo as the Wendell Trojans downed the host Hornets 55-35.

Declo was 5-of-6 at the charity stripe before the break but only 4-of-13 in the second half, with many of its misses coming on the front end of 1-and-1 attempts.

Cody Prince and Cody Prince of Wendell each tossed in 15 points. Tyler Briggs led Declo (8-3) with seven.

Wendell (5-5) hosts Gooding and Declo travels to Glenns Ferry on Tuesday.

Wendell 55, Declo 35

Wendell

Declo

8 21 14 12 - 55
14 8 7 6 - 35

WENDELL (55)

Jon Myers 2, Curtis Lowe 2, Cody Prince 15, William Fien 2, Nolan Stouder 11, Nathan Ormand 8, Cody Prince 15. Totals 22 9-17 55.

DECLO (35)

Jeremy Jenkins 4, McCoy Stoker 5, Tyler Briggs 7, Brandon Peterson 3, Colton Smyer 3, Dane Janak 5, Davis Jones 6, Levi Howard 2. Totals 11 9-19 35.

3-point goals: Wendell 2 (Prince, Koopman), Declo 4 (Jones 2, Stoker, Smyer). Total fouls: Wendell 17, Declo 17. Fouled out: Wendell, Stouder. Declo, Janak, Briggs. Technical fouls: none.

DIETRICH 75, MAGIC VALLEY CHRISTIAN 52

The host Dietrich Blue Devils dropped the Magic Valley Christian Conquerors 75-52 in a Northside Conference matchup, despite a double-double by Zach VanEsch of Magic Valley Christian.

VanEsch scored a game-high 28 points and pulled down 10 boards.

Dietrich had three players in double figures led by Dylan Perron with 15 followed by Walter Hansen with 14 and Alex Heimerdinger contributed 10.

Magic Valley Christian (0-8, 0-5) is on the road at Camas County and Dietrich (7-4, 4-3) is at Hansen on Tuesday.

Dietrich 75, Magic Valley Christian 52

Magic Valley Christian

Dietrich

13 7 9 11 - 52
16 17 23 19 - 75

MAGIC VALLEY CHRISTIAN (52)

Andre Briggs 2, Dylan VanEsch 11, Zach VanEsch 28, Matt McClimans 11. Totals 23 6-12 52.

DIETRICH (75)

Whit Bingham 7, Dylan Perron 15, James McDaniel 9, Alex Heimerdinger 10, Dion Norman 2, Kolton Hubert 5, Walter Hansen 14, Brody Astle 3, Gray Weber 10. Totals 32 8-14 75.

3-point goals: Dietrich 3 (Bingham, Perron, McDaniel). Total fouls: Magic Valley Christian 10, Dietrich 11. Fouled out: none. Technical fouls: none.

Wrestling

THREE LOCAL WINNERS AT MV CLASSIC

Tyler Egbert, Derek Gerratt and Nick Fleenor claimed victory at the Magic Valley Classic wrestling tournament in Wendell on Saturday.

Egbert defeated Cesar Jacobo of Parma to win the 130-pound title, while Gerratt won by technical fall over Randy Plummer of Challis at 135. Fleenor won the 215 title with a decision over Marsing’s John Heidt.

Wendell led the local teams with a seventh-place finish. Parma won the event.

Magic Valley Classic

At Wendell

Saturday's results

Team standings

At Wendell

Saturday's results

Team standings

Saturday, games Odum called “very important. We’ve got to protect our home court. If we keep with our new team motto, I don’t see anybody messing with us.”

But the Eagles know their only beginning the reclamation project on their season.

“We’re trying to rebuild,” said Thomas. “As a team we started off on the wrong track. It’s only the second game since we made the new goals. It’s easy to cheer each other on and be positive when things are going good. It’s the negative

CSI actually fell behind 5-0, but shot 62 percent in the first half, including 7 of 10 from 3-point range, and had runs of 13-2 and 13-0 in building a 57-34 halftime lead.

CNCC (2-14, 0-10 SWAC) was led by Danaiveia McDade’s 16 points and eight boards. Keosha Blue added 15 points and six rebounds.

Notes: In other SWAC action on Saturday, Salt Lake’s women edged Snow 68-67.

CSI 105,

Championship results

1. Parma 233 points. 2. Emmett 156.5. 3. Challis 155. 4. Melba 143. 5. New Plymouth 142. 6. Firth 137. 7. Wendell 129. 8. Malad 106. 9. Declo 93. 10. Grace 91. 11. Homedale 90.5. 12. Valley 82.5. 13. Filer 82. 14. Kimberly 74.5. 15. Garden Valley 73. 16. Marsing 47. 17. Raft River/Oakley 46. 18. West Jefferson 41. 19. Soda Springs 35. 20. Butte County 28. 21. Jerome JV 26. 22. Glenns Ferry 17.

Third-place results

103 pounds: Blake Perry, Melba, dec. Jaime Alonzo, Declo. 112: Evan Miller, Parma, dec. Dan Blaisdel, Malad. 119: Justin Ensley, Homedale, pinned Raymond Evans, New Plymouth. 125: Janelle Johnson, Melba, dec. Ethan Hansen, West Jefferson. 130: Tyler Egbert, Wendell, dec. Cesar Jacobo, Parma. 135: Derek Gerratt, Valley, T-fall Randy Plummer, Challis. 140: Taylor Walker, Firth, pinned Alan Benson, Wendell. 145: Aaron Villarin, Emmett, dec. Kyle King, New Plymouth. 152: Taylor Peck, Grace, pinned Cody Danes, Parma. 160: Jed Ferguson, Parma, won by default over Charlie Johnson, Garden Valley. 171: Ramon Fry, Garden Valley, dec. Kaleb Latimer, Challis. 189: Randy Riley, Parma, pinned Braden Christensen, Firth. 215: Nick Fleenor, Filer, dec. John Heidt, Marsing. 285: Addison Amar, Challis, pinned Ty Martin, Wendell.

Third-place results

103 pounds: Darren Walker, Emmett, dec. Dakota Stallions, Emmett. 112: Dallin Christensen, Melba, pinned Tyson Wilding, Firth. 119: Troy Richardson, Melba, dec. Derek Jones, Wendell. 125: Casey Short, Emmett, maj, dec. Austin Weaver, Grace. 130: Chance Sayre, New Plymouth, dec. Jade Earl, Raft River/Oakley. 135: Ty Earl, Raft River/Oakley, dec. Scott Jensen, Parma. 140: Chris Hess, Malad, pinned Garrett Lindsay, Declo. 145: Nathan Ellison, Malad, dec. David Hemmert, Parma. 152: Ben Laughlin, Challis, dec. Nate Young, Kimberly. 160: Bryce Crossley, melba, maj, dec. Coby Hoch, New Plymouth. 171: Dakota Gries, Parma, pinned Jacob Bogner, Firth. 189: David Bowles, Soda Springs, pinned Ivan Pedroza, Glenns Ferry. 215: Kyle Abels, Homedale, pinned Denton Jensen, Parma. 285: Angel Hernandez, Parma, dec. Dallas Taylor, Butte County.

Fifth-place results

103 pounds: Stirland Zollinger, Declo, pinned Jacob Herman, Kimberly. 112: Brad Gerratt, Valley, dec. Tanner Mulberry, Kimberly. 119: Casey Ivey, Valley, maj, dec. Andrew Juarez, Declo. 125: Brody Fuller, Parma, dec. Grayden Bloxham, Challis. 130: Justin Williams, Grace, pinned Matt Lindberg, Firth. 135: Ian Hale, Emmett, dec. Cooper Clemens, Firth. 140: Mike Archey, New Plymouth, pinned James Page, Emmett. 145: Joe Carnack, Challis, dec. Brett Rembelski, Challis. 152: Ryan Orr, Filer, won by default over Kevin Uptake, Garden Valley. 160: Cavin Garrish, Challis, dec. Spenser Peck, Grace. 171: Braxton Altom, Kimberly, dec. Skylor Kuntz, Valley. 189: Cole Slagle, Emmett, pinned Brad McCain, Homedale. 215: Seth Gaskins, New Plymouth, dec. James Jolley, Firth. 285: Ben Cornia, Firth, pinned Riley Crossley, Melba.

JEROME THIRD AT MADISON INVITE

The Jerome wrestling team finished third at the Madison Invitational in Rexburg on Saturday.

Jerome’s Riley Argyle won the 189-pound bracket, while Tanner Orchard of Wood River won the 152-pound bracket.

Madison Invitational

At Rexburg

Saturday's results

Team Standings

MINICO THIRD AT KIWANIS INVITE

Ramiro Riojas claimed the 285-pound title at the Kiwanis Invitational in Spring Creek, Nev., helping Minico to a third-place finish with 154.5 points. Lowry (Nev.) won the team title with 194 points. Twin Falls placed sixth and Buhl was 10th.

Blake Finney earned a pin in the championship round to take the 189-pound title and earn outstanding wrestler honors for the upper weights. Three Bruins — Joe Hamilton, Will Keeter and Todd Anderson — lost in the championship finals. Keeter’s loss was his first of the season.

Kiwanis Invitational results

Team scores: 1. Lowry 194. 2. Carson 188.5. 3. Minico 154.5. 4. Spring Creek 154.5. 5. Skyline 148.6. 6. Twin Falls 146.5. 7. Damonte Ranch 137.8. Fallon 136. 9. Fernley 112. 10. Buhl 103. 11. Bishop Manogue 102.5. 12. Moapa Valley 89.5. 13. Yerington 84. 14. Pershing County 83.5. 15. Nyssa 83. 16. Battle Mountain 80.5. 17. Elko 75.5. 18. Virgin Valley 72.5. 19. Minico JV 66. 20. White Pine 58.5. 21. North Valleys 58. 22. Woodster 45. 23. West Wendover 13. 23. Wells 13. 25. Sparks 11. 26. Owyhee 10. 27. Dayton 4. 28. Carlin 0.

Championship results

(Matches involving area wrestlers)

125: Colin Merkle, Fallon, dec. Joe Hamilton, Twin Falls. 131-11. 140: Jacob Billingsley, Lowry, dec. Will Keeter, Twin Falls. 3-2. 145: Nick Woodson, Spring Creek, T-fall Todd Anderson, Twin Falls. 189: Blake Finney, Buhl, pinned Josh Cutts, Fernley. 3:01. 285: Ramiro Riojas, Minico, dec. Pablo Gomez, Fernley. 4-1.

Third-place results

125: Franky deBraga, Fallon, pinned Alberto Ramirez, Minico. 215: 135: Michael McDonald, Buhl, dec. Blaine Tibbals, Yerington. 142: 152: David Borden, Minico, dec. Jordan Staley, Twin Falls. 2-0. 171: Zak Sloten, Twin Falls, dec. Garrett Myers, Skyline. 2-1. 215: Clay Grosshans, Skyline, dec. Oren Carlton, Buhl. 7-4.

Fifth-place results

140: Chris Newell, Buhl, dec. Dakota Rupard, Minico. 7-5; 171: Ryan Nelson, Lowry, dec. Colby May, Minico. 3-1; 215: Justin Cordova, Battle Mountain, pinned Salvador Gutierrez, Minico JV. 2-3; 285: Nathaniel Rios, Minico JV, pinned Lorenzo de la Cruz, Fallon. 3-2.

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CSI 104, Colorado Northwestern CC 71

CNCC (71)

Dominic Tillmon 0-4 0-0 0, Steven Robinson 9-15 3-5 25, Myles Spencer 3-8 0-0 6, Terrence Tatum 2-12 5-6 9, Jon Henderson 5-14 4-5 17, Seth Holly 1-3 0-0 3, Justin Dunn 4-10 0-0 11. Totals 24-66 12-16 71.

CSI (104)

Carrick Felix 4-8 2-2 11, Josten Thomas 12-22 2-3 27, Pierre Jackson 0-4 0-0 0, Kenny Buckner 2-7 0-0 4, Chuck Odum 11-16 2-3 24, DJ Stennis 1-2 1-3 3, Byago Diouf 5-9 2-5 12, Keon Pledger 1-2 0-0 2, Christian Parker 0-1 0-0 0, Dennis Mikelonis 5-9 1-6 11, Romario Souza 5-8 0-0 10. Totals 46-88 10-22 104.

Halftime: CSI 43, CNCC 37. 3-point goals: CSI 11-24 (Robinson 4-7, Spencer 0-1, Tatum 0-4, Henderson 3-4, Holly 1-2, Dunn 3-6); CSI 2-9 (Felix 1-1, Thomas 1-2, Jackson 0-1, Odum 0-1, Diouf 0-2, Parker 0-1, Mikelonis 0-1). Rebounds: CNCC 36 (Robinson 11); CSI 58 (Buckner 12). Assists: CNCC 13 (Tatum, Henderson 4); CSI 19 (Jackson 6). Turnovers: CNCC 23; CSI 12. Total fouls: CNCC 19; CSI 18.

Colorado Northwestern CC 66

CNCC (66)

Tira Calloway 2-4 0-0 5, Kelsey Samuelson 1-3 0-0 2, Charlotte Epperson 3-6 0-0 9, Danielle Jackson 3-14 0-0 6, Danaiveia McDade 7-11 2-16, Vateria Wilson 0-3 0-0 0, Teena Anderson 1-1 0-0 2, Carmelita Begay 1-4 0-0 2, Keosha Blue 7-11 0-1 5, Tanekia Hunt 1-8 2-4 4, Breeanna Gibson 0-0 0-0 0, Arial Jackson 2-5 0-0 5. Totals 28-70 4-9 66.

CSI (105)

Felicity Jones 0-6 2-2 2, Kaika Tullock 1-3 0-0 2, Daidra Brown 7-8 1-5 17, Laurel Kearsley 4-5 3-4 12, Maddy Plunkett 16-22 4-7 37, Emiliya Yancheva 2-3 0-1 5, Holly Checketts 0-3 0-0 0, Kylie Hardison 2-4 2-2 7, Nicole Harper 0-1 2-2 2, Devan Matkin 2-4 0-0 6, Lusina Otineru 1-8 2-4 4, Kayla Williams 1-3 4-7 6, Tina Fakahaua 1-3 4-7 7. Totals 36-65 24-37 105.

Halftime: CSI 57, CNCC 34. 3-point goals: CNCC 6-29 (Calloway 1-2, Samuelson 0-1, Epperson 0-4, Jackson 0-6, Wilson 0-3, Begay 0-3, Blue 1-2, Hunt 0-4, Henderson 3-4); CSI 9-16 (Brown 2-3, Kearsley 1-1, Plunkett 1-3, Yancheva 1-2, Checketts 0-2, Hardison 1-1, Matkin 2-2, Fakahaua 1-2). Rebounds: CNCC 27 (Calloway 8, Jackson 3); CSI 28 (Brown, Kearsley 7). Turnovers: CNCC 16; CSI 15. Total fouls: CNCC 22; CSI 12. Fouled out: none.

Raft River boys outlast Pirates in 2 OT

By Ryan Howe
Times-News writer

MALTA — If the Hagerman-Raft River game Saturday night was a preview of what next month’s Snake River Conference tournament could entail, make sure to get your tickets.

The Pirates and Trojans battled through two overtime periods to finally decide Raft River’s 72-67 home victory.

Rio Manning made two pressure-packed free throws with three seconds left to tie it in the first OT, then converted another pair with eight seconds remaining in the second to clinch the win.

“It’s scary, but you just have to step up and do what you practice for,” said Manning, who finished with 15 points. “Hagerman is a good team, so we knew we were in for a battle tonight.”

Cade Powers led Raft River (8-3) in scoring with 18 points, while H.D. Tuckett had 14 and Taylor Thacker scored 13.

Hagerman (4-7) erased a 15-point first-half deficit and Dylan Brooks’ 3-pointer from straightaway with 17 seconds left tied the game to end regulation.

Brooks, who finished with a game-high 32 points, hit another trey from the same spot in the first overtime as the Pirates led by four. But Thacker’s 3-pointer and Manning’s free throws sent it into the second extra session.

The biggest shot of the second overtime was Nelson Manning’s baseline jumper with 2:22 left, which gave Raft River control with a three-point lead as the Trojans didn’t allow Hagerman to score in the final two spots.

“I was proud of our kids after spotting them a lead, then in probably the most hostile environment in the conference to battle back and give ourselves a chance to win,” said Hagerman coach Kevin Cato.

Raft River 72, Hagerman 67, 2 OT

Hagerman

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Jazz beat Bucks, extend win streak to 4 games

SALT LAKE CITY — C.J. Miles scored 19 points, Deron Williams had 18, and the Utah Jazz beat the Milwaukee Bucks 112-95 on Saturday night for their season-best fourth win in a row.

Williams, who aggravated a wrist injury and missed the dramatic end of Utah's 97-96 victory over Cleveland on Thursday, was a game-time decision but showed little effect as he sparked the Jazz to a quick start and the Jazz

never trailed.

Mehmet Okur had 15 points and 12 rebounds, while Carlos Boozer added 13 points and 12 boards as Utah stayed undefeated against Eastern Conference opponents at home (9-0).

Carlos Delfino scored a career-high 28 points to pace weary Milwaukee. Charlie Bell had 14 points for the Bucks, who fell to 1-4 on their six-game, 10-day road trip.

BOBCATS 125, SUNS 99
CHARLOTTE, N.C. — Stephen Jackson scored 29 points to surpass 10,000 career points, Gerald Wallace added 29 points and 13 rebounds, and the Charlotte Bobcats continued one of their best stretches in franchise history.

THUNDER 98, HEAT 80
OKLAHOMA CITY — Kevin Durant scored 36 points on the most efficient

shooting night of his career and also pulled down 10 rebounds as Oklahoma City beat road-weary Miami.

HORNETS 101, PACERS 96
INDIANAPOLIS — David West scored 24 points and Chris Paul just missed a triple-double, leading New Orleans over Indiana.

Paul finished with 22 points, 11 assists and eight rebounds, and Emeka Okafor had 14 points and 12

rebounds for the Hornets (21-18), who won their fourth straight over Indiana.

GRIZZLIES 92, SPURS 86
MEMPHIS, Tenn. — Zach Randolph had 23 points and 15 rebounds, and the Memphis Grizzlies got their franchise-record eighth straight home victory.

WIZARDS 93, KINGS 86
WASHINGTON — The Wizards managed to end one

of the most dismal, exhausting weeks in franchise history with a victory, giving coach Flip Saunders his 600th career win by beating Sacramento.

PISTONS 94, KNICKS 90
AUBURN HILLS, Mich. — Rodney Stuckey scored 20 points, Charlie Villanueva added 19, and Detroit beat New York for its third straight victory.

— The Associated Press

BASKETBALL

NBA All Times MST Eastern				
ATLANTIC	W	L	Pct	GB
Boston	27	11	.711	—
Toronto	20	20	.500	8
New York	16	24	.400	12
Philadelphia	13	26	.333	14½
New Jersey	3	36	.077	24½
SOUTHEAST	W	L	Pct	GB
Atlanta	26	13	.667	—
Orlando	26	14	.650	½
Miami	20	19	.513	6
Charlotte	19	19	.500	6½
Washington	13	26	.333	13
CENTRAL	W	L	Pct	GB
Cleveland	30	11	.732	—
Chicago	18	20	.474	10½
Milwaukee	16	22	.421	12½
Detroit	14	25	.359	15
Indiana	14	26	.350	15½
SOUTHWEST	W	L	Pct	GB
Dallas	26	13	.667	—
San Antonio	24	15	.615	2
Houston	22	18	.550	4½
Memphis	21	18	.538	5
New Orleans	21	18	.538	5
NORTHWEST	W	L	Pct	GB
Denver	25	14	.641	—
Portland	23	17	.575	1
Oklahoma City	22	18	.550	¾
Minnesota	8	33	.195	18
PACIFIC	W	L	Pct	GB
L.A. Lakers	31	9	.775	—
Phoenix	24	17	.585	7½
L.A. Clippers	17	21	.447	13
Sacramento	15	24	.385	15½
Golden State	17	27	.389	19

Friday's Games
Charlotte 92, San Antonio 76
Philadelphia 98, Sacramento 86
Chicago 121, Washington 119
Memphis 135, Minnesota 110
Atlanta 102, Phoenix 101
Detroit 110, New Orleans 104
Indiana 121, New Jersey 105
Toronto 112, New York 104
Dallas 99, Oklahoma City 98
Miami 115, Houston 106
Milwaukee 113, Golden State 104
L.A. Lakers 126, L.A. Clippers 86
Portland 102, Orlando 87

Saturday's Games
New Orleans 101, Indiana 96
Charlotte 125, Phoenix 99
Washington 96, Sacramento 86
Detroit 94, New York 90
Memphis 92, San Antonio 86
Oklahoma City 98, Miami 80
Utah 112, Milwaukee 95
Cleveland 81, L.A. Clippers, late
Dallas at Toronto, 10:30 a.m.
Utah at Denver, 7 p.m.

NBA Boxes

JAZZ 112, BUCKS 95				
MILWAUKEE (95)				
Mbah a Moute 13 0-0 2, Ilyasova 5-11 1-1 13, Bogut 4-8 2-2 10, Jennings 1-8 3-4 5, Bell 6-13 0-0 14, Thomas 0-1 0-0 0, Delfino 10-14 2-4 28, Warrick 2-7 3-6 7, Rhodour 4-9 2-2 11, Meeks 1-6 0-0 2, Gadzuric 1-1 1-2 3. Totals 35-81 12-20 80				
UTAH (112)				
Kirilenko 5-7 2-5 12, Boozer 5-13 3-4 13, Okur 5-12 4-6 15, Williams 7-11 2-18, Brewer 3-6 2-2 8, Mills 3-6 0-2 7, Miles 8-11 1-3 19, Price 3-4 2-2 9, Matthews 2-4 0-4 4, Korver 3-3 0-4 7, Gaines 0-1 0-0 0, Koufos 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 44-78 16-26 112.				
Milwaukee	20	27	24	—
Utah	31	29	23	95
3-Point Goals—Milwaukee 11-24 (Delfino 6-10, Bell 2-3, Ilyasova 2-5, Rhodour 1-2, Meeks 0-1, Jennings 0-3). Utah 8-16 (Williams 2-3, Miles 2-3, Korver 1-1, Price 1-1, Millsap 1-1, Okur 1-4, Matthews 0-1, Brewer 0-1, Kirilenko 0-1). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Milwaukee 46 (Ilyasova, Bogut 11), Utah 51 (Okur, Boozer 12). Assists—Milwaukee 24 (Jennings 11), Utah 28 (Price 7). Total Fouls—Milwaukee 21, Utah 17. Technicals—Thomas, A-19;669 (19:51).				

THUNDER 98, HEAT 80				
MIAMI (80)				
Richardson 0-3 0-0 0, Beasley 13-24 2-4 28, O'Neal 4-9 2-2 10, Alston 1-5 2-2 5, Wade 10-21 4-9 24, Haslem 2-5 0-0 4, Anthony 0-1 0-0 0, Wright 2-7 0-0 4, Chalmers 1-3 0-2 0, Magloire 0-1 1-2 1, Cook 1-9 0-1 2. Totals 34-61 12-20 80				
OKLAHOMA CITY (98)				
Durant 14-18 5-6 36, Green 6-11 1-12 14, Kristic 4-11 0-8 8, Westbrook 4-9 4-4 6, Sefolosha 2-5 0-0 4, Collinson 0-3 0-0 0, Harden 4-9 4-4 14, Maynor 4-6 0-8 8, Ibaka 3-5 2-4 8, Mullens 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 38-75 16-20 98.				
Miami	20	26	25	—
Oklahoma City	29	26	24	98
3-Point Goals—Miami 1-8 (Alston 1-2, Beasley 0-2, Wright 0-1). Oklahoma City 6-12 (Durant 3-3, Harden 2-3, Green 1-4, Maynor 0-1, Sefolosha 0-1). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Miami 39 (O'Neal 9), Oklahoma City 39 (Durant, Ibaka 10). Assists—Miami 17 (Wade 6), Oklahoma City 23 (Westbrook 11). Total Fouls—Miami 19, Oklahoma City 16. Technicals—O'Neal, Durant, A-18;203 (18:03).				

HORNETS 101, PACERS 96				
NEW ORLEANS (101)				
Stojakovic 2-7 1-6 16, West 10-21 4-4 24, Okafor 6-15 2-6 14, Paul 8-19 6-22 8, Brown 1-4 0-0 3, Thornton 5-8 2-2 13, Collison 1-4 0-0 2, Songaila 3-7 2-2 8, Posey 1-4 2-2 5, Wright 2-2 0-0 4. Totals 39-91 19-23 101				
INDIANA (96)				
Granger 4-13 2-12, Murphy 2-9 0-6, Hibbert 12-19 3-3 27, Watson 2-4 0-0 4, Rush 3-6 0-0 7, Dunleavy 2-8 4-7 8, Hansbrough 13 2-3 4, Price 5-13 1-1 12, D.Jones 7-12 2-16, S.Jones 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 38-88 14-18 96.				
New Orleans	26	26	23	—
Indiana	26	26	23	101
3-Point Goals—New Orleans 4-15 (Stojakovic 1-2, Thornton 1-3, D.Brown 1-3, Posey 1-4, West 0-1, Paul 0-2), Indiana 6-29 (Granger 2-6, Murphy 2-7, Rush 1-3, Price 1-6, Watson 0-1, D.Jones 0-1, Dunleavy 0-5). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—New Orleans 60 (Okor 12), Indiana 50 (Hibbert 10). Assists—New Orleans 18 (Paul 11), Indiana 17 (Watson 7). Total Fouls—New Orleans 20, Indiana 18. Technicals—Indiana Coach O'Brien, A-13;376 (18:16).				

WIZARDS 96, KINGS 86				
SACRAMENTO (86)				
Caspi 3-9 0-0 6, Hayes 5-13 0-0 11, Thompson 1-5 5-6 7, Evans 9-19 2-3 21, Martin 6-17 8-8 23, Greene 3-6 0-0 7, Brockman 0-2 2-2, Udrih 2-5 0-0 5, Okada 2-5 0-0 4.				

WASHINGTON (96)				
Butler 12-12 5-7 19, Jamison 6-17 2-4 14, Hayward 4-10 2-2 10, Foye 2-8 4-5 8, Stevenson 4-4 0-0 9, McGuire 1-2 0-0 2, Blatche 3-6 1-2 7, Boykins 6-10 1-1 13, Young 5-10 1-2 12, McGee 1-1 0-0 2. Totals 38-80 17-23 96.				
Sacramento	23	21	22	—
Washington	22	26	26	96
3-Point Goals—Sacramento 7-23 (Martin 3-6, Udrih 1-2, Hawes 1-3, Greene 1-3, Evans 1-4, Udoka 0-2, Caspi 0-3), Washington 3-13 (Young 1-1, Stevenson 1-1, Butler 1-3, Blatche 0-1, Foye 0-3, Jamison 0-4). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Sacramento 53 (Hawes 7), Washington 49 (Haywood 10). Assists—Sacramento 20 (Evans 7), Washington 19 (Foye 6), Total Fouls—Sacramento 23, Washington 23. Technicals—Sacramento defensive three second 2, A-17;242 (20:17).				

PISTONS 94, KNICKS 90				
NEW YORK (90)				
Gallinari 8-16 8-8 27, Jeffries 1-3 2-3 4, Lee 9-19 8-8 26, Duhon 0-3 0-0 0, Chandler 4-12 0-8 8, Harrington 3-1-1 8, Robinson 4-10 0-1 11, Hughes 0-4 0-0 0, Hill 3-5 0-1 6. Totals 32-81 19-21 90.				
DETROIT (94)				
Jerebko 2-3 3-6 8, Wilcox 7-9 0-0 14, Wallace 1-4 3-6 5, Stuckey 7-18 6-8 20, Hamilton 5-18 5-15, Villanueva 7-8 1-8 19, Maxwell 0-1 1-2 1, Atkins 3-5 2-2 10, Daye 0-1 2-2 2. Totals 32-82 26-34 94.				
New York	24	13	30	—
Detroit	23	28	26	94
3-Point Goals—New York 7-17 (Robinson 3-3, Gallinari 3-6, Harrington 0-4, Hughes 0-1, Chandler 0-1, Duhon 0-2), Detroit 4-13 (Atkins 2-3, Jerebko 1-2, Villanueva 1-6, Hamilton 0-2). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—New York 46 (Lee 17), Detroit 65 (Wilcox, Villanueva 10), Assists—New York 23 (Lee 9), Detroit 16 (Hamilton 5), Total Fouls—New York 25, Detroit 25. Technicals—Harrington, A-19;85 (22:06).				

GRIZZLIES 92, SPURS 86				
SAN ANTONIO (86)				
Jefferson 0-6 3-4 3, Duncan 11-17 1-2 23, Blair 4-7 0-0 8, Parker 2-8 0-0 4, Bogans 5-9 2-2 13, Haislip 2-5 0-0 4, Mason 7-14 0-1 7, Mahmini 0-3 1-2 1, Ginobili 3-10 0-2 9, Hill 2-8 0-0 4, Ratliff 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 36-87 17-12 86.				
MEMPHIS (92)				
Gay 4-16 0-8, Randolph 8-15 7-12 23, Gasol 4-8 6-10 14, Conley 4-9 0-0 10, Mayo 8-18 2-2 19, Tinsley 2-4 0-0 4, Thabeet 0-0 2-2 2, Young 2-6 0-0 4, Carroll 4-7 0-1 8, Hudson 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 36-83 17-27 92.				
San Antonio	24	28	27	—
Memphis	24	28	27	92
3-Point Goals—San Antonio 7-21 (Ginobili 3-5, Mason 3-6, Bogans 1-3, Parker 0-1, Hill 0-2, Jefferson 0-4), Memphis 3-9 (Conley 2-2, Mayo 1-4, Gay 0-3). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Phoenix 43 (Stoudemire, Amundson 7), Charlotte 35 (Ballace 13), Assists—Phoenix 20 (Wash 5), Charlotte 28 (Jackson 10), Total Fouls—Phoenix 19, Charlotte 20. Technicals—Phoenix Coach Gentry, A-17;54 (19:07).				

BOBCATS 125, SUNS 99				
PHOENIX (99)				
Hill 1-4 1-2 3, Stoudemire 6-12 7-19, Frye 1-5 2-2 4, Nash 2-7 0-0 5, Richardson 3-8 0-0 9, Dudley 1-5 0-0 2, Lopez 6-10 2-4 14, Barbosa 6-14 2-2 12, Collins 0-3 1-2 5, Dragic 2-6 4-9 4, Clark 5-9 2-12, Collins 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 35-84 21-25 99.				
Charlotte	11	5	5	—
Charlotte	11	5	5	99
3-Point Goals—Charlotte 3-13 (Richardson 3-4, Barbosa 3-5, Dragic 1-3, Nash 1-4, Clark 0-1, Dudley 0-2, Frye 0-4), Charlotte 10-15 (Jackson 4-6, Wallace 2-2, Felton 2-3, Diaw 1-1, Murray 1-2, Augustin 0-1). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Phoenix 49 (Stoudemire, Amundson 7), Charlotte 35 (Ballace 13), Assists—Phoenix 20 (Wash 5), Charlotte 28 (Jackson 10), Total Fouls—Phoenix 19, Charlotte 20. Technicals—Phoenix Coach Gentry, A-17;54 (19:07).				

BUCKS 113, WARRIORS 104				
MILWAUKEE (113)				
Mbah a Moute 5-7 3-4 13, Ilyasova 17 4-6 6, Bogut 7-15 1-2 15, Jennings 7-16 8-9 25, C.Bell 4-9 3-4 12, Rhodour 4-10 5-5 15, Delfino 5-9 2-2 12, Warrick 5-9 5-7 15, Meeks 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 38-81 31-19 113.				
GOLDEN STATE (104)				
Norwood 0-1 0-0 0, Maggette 10-14 12-13 32, Biedrius 5-7 0-0 10, Curry 7-17 3-3 18, Ellis 14-31 2-5 33, Martin 3-9 0-4 7, Hunter 0-1 0-0 0, George 1-5 2-2 4, Totals 40-85 19-27 104.				
Milwaukee	23	27	36	—
Golden State	23	33	26	104
3-Point Goals—Milwaukee 6-20 (Jennings 3-5, Rhodour 2-3, C.Bell 1-4, Meeks 0-1, Warrick 0-1, Mbah a Moute 0-1, Ilyasova 0-3, Delfino 0-3), Golden State 5-18 (Ellis 3-8, Martin 1-3, Curry 1-4, Morrow 0-1, George 0-2), Fouled Out—Hunter, Curry, Biedrius, Rebounds—Milwaukee 58 (Bogut 16), Golden State 48 (Biedrius 10), Assists—Total Fouls—Milwaukee 20, Golden State 28. Technicals—Milwaukee defensive three second. A-17;45 (19:56).				

LAKERS 126, CLIPPERS 86				
L.A. CLIPPERS (86)				
Butler 2-8 3-4 7, Camby 2-6 0-0 4, Jordan 4-5 1-2 9, B.Davis 5-12 4-5 14, Gordon 5-16 4-4 17, Smith 5-11 7-10 17, Thornton 2-6 0-0 4, Telfair 2-4 0-1 5, Novak 2-6 0-0 4, R.Davis 2-3 0-0 5, Collins 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 31-77 19-25 86.				
L.A. LAKERS (126)				
Artest 3-9 2-3 10, Gasol 4-10 12-12 20, Bynum 8-13 4-4 20, O.B. Miller 6-14 3-3 19, B.Jones 0-6 1-2 1, Blake 7-12 0-18, Pendergast 2-2 0-0 4, Fernandez 3-7 2-2 10, Cunningham 2-6 0-0 4. Totals 41-87 9-10 102.				
Orlando	14	18	27	—
Portland	24	28	25	102

FRIDAY'S LATE NBA BOXES				
BUCKS 113, WARRIORS 104				
MILWAUKEE (113)				
Mbah a Moute 5-7 3-4 13, Ilyasova 17 4-6 6, Bogut 7-15 1-2 15, Jennings 7-16 8-9 25, C.Bell 4-9 3-4 12, Rhodour 4-10 5-5 15, Delfino 5-9 2-2 12, Warrick 5-9 5-7 15, Meeks 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 38-81 31-19 113.				
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Orlando	14	18	27	—
Portland	24	28	25	102

TRAIL BLAZERS 102, MAGIC 87				
ORLANDO (87)				
Barnes 3-6 0-0 8, Lewis 7-13 0-0 15, D.Howard 4-7 3-10 11, Nelson 7-11 0-0 15, Carter 1-7 2-3 6, Gortals 3-5 1-7 7, Williams 2-4 0-0 5, Reddick 4-8 2-10, Pietrus 2-5 2-2 7, Anderson 2-7 0-0 4, Totals 35-73 10-20 87.				
PORTLAND (102)				
Webster 8-14 3-28, Aldridge 7-17 0-0 14, Howard 4-9 0-0 8, Miller 6-14 3-3 19, B.Jones 0-6 1-2 1, Blake 7-12 0-18, Pendergast 2-2 0-0 4, Fernandez 3-7 2-2 10, Cunningham 2-6 0-0 4. Totals 41-87 9-10 102.				
Orlando	14	18	27	—
Portland	24	28	25	102

GAME PLAN

TV SCHEDULE

BOWLING	
11 a.m.	ESPN — PBA, Earl Anthony Memorial Classic, at Dublin

Indianapolis beats Ravens to reach AFC title game

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) — There's a price to pay for keeping the ball out of Peyton Manning's hands.

Once he gets it, he doesn't give it back — at least not until he's gotten the Indianapolis Colts plenty of points and a playoff win.

In his first game since winning an unprecedented fourth NFL MVP award, Manning threw for two touchdowns Saturday night in a 20-3 victory over the Baltimore Ravens. The Colts will host the AFC championship next Sunday against San Diego or the New York Jets.

"Whoever it is, we know it's going to be a challenge and we have to step it up another notch," coach Jim Caldwell said.

Manning and the other Colts starters got lots of rest when the rookie coach sat them for long portions of the final two regular-season games, both losses after they had opened 14-0. Then they had a bye, a reward for owning the league's best record.

And when the Ravens (10-8), who routed New England in the wild-card round, marched 87 yards for an early field goal, the All-Pro quarterback's sour face told it all.

By halftime, the scoreboard told it all: Indianapolis 17, Baltimore 3.

"I thought we had good preparation coming into this game," Manning said, "and I thought we came out sharp and kind of set the tempo from the get-go."

It didn't get any tighter, even though Ed Reed got his fourth career interception of Manning in the third quarter. Reed was stripped of the ball by a sprinting Pierre



Indianapolis Colts tight end Dallas Clark drags Baltimore Ravens linebacker Ray Lewis during the AFC divisional playoff game, Saturday.

Garcon, the intended receiver, at the end of a 38-yard return. Dallas Clark recovered, and Reed was robbed of another pick five plays later because of a pass interference call on Corey Ivy.

The Ravens' vaunted defense was self-destructing, and Manning gave it another push toward the offseason with a 14-play drive to Matt Stover's 33-yard field goal early in the fourth quarter.

Directing a patient offense, Manning finished 30 of 44 for 246 yards.

"It's about executing on that day. I don't think it matters if you've had a bye or you're playing home or away," Manning said. "This myth that you can't win after a bye week, I haven't

Today's games

Cowboys at Vikings
11 a.m., FOX


Line: Vikings by 2.5

The skinny: This is seventh time Cowboys and Vikings will face each other in playoffs, fourth time in Minnesota. ... Vikings won last postseason meeting, 27-10 in first round 10 years ago. ... Most notable win for Cowboys was after 1975 season, when Roger Staubach's self-proclaimed "Hail Mary" pass to Drew Pearson — decried by Vikings fans as a push off — lifted Dallas to victory.

Jets at Chargers
2:40 p.m., CBS

Line: Chargers by 7.

The skinny: Chargers have won 11 straight games, tied for fifth-longest winning streak to enter playoffs since AFL-NFL merger in 1970. ... Jets have both NFL's top-ranked rushing offense and overall defense. ... Jets won only previous playoff matchup between teams, 20-17 in overtime in wild-card round after 2004 season in San Diego.



believed in it." The last time the Colts hosted the conference title game was three years ago, when they won their only

Super Bowl representing Indianapolis. That championship victory came in Miami, the same site as next month's Super Bowl.

Bengals' Lewis named NFL Coach of the Year

NEW YORK (AP) — Marvin Lewis had much more than game plans to deal with this season.

Lewis won The Associated Press 2009 NFL Coach of the Year award for guiding his team to the playoffs during a season marked by tragedy.

The Bengals won the AFC North with a 10-6 record, just their second division title since 1990, both under Lewis. They did so despite the deaths of wide receiver Chris Henry and Vikki Zimmer, the wife of defensive coordinator Mike Zimmer. Several players' families also were directly affected by the tsunami in the Samoan Islands.

For holding his team together under such circumstances and leading a turnaround from a 4-11-1 record in 2008, Lewis earned 20½ votes Saturday from a nationwide panel of 50 sports writers and broadcasters who cover the league. He beat Sean Payton of New Orleans (11½), Norv Turner of San Diego (9) and Jim Caldwell of Indianapolis (7). Andy Reid of Philadelphia and Ken

Whisenhunt of Arizona had a single vote each.

"I'm flattered," said Lewis, whose seventh season as Bengals coach ended

with a 24-14 home loss to the Jets in the wild-card round. "I never took any credibility to it, that it could occur, but I am flattered. I would trade it to still be

playing. "To me, this is more a recognition of the organization, for the coaching staff and the hard work they've done, and for the players."

Few coaches have dealt with such a season of grief. Vikki Zimmer, who used to bake treats for the players, died unexpectedly in October. Two weeks earlier, defensive linemen Jonathan Fanene and Domata Peko and rookie linebacker Rey Mauluga struggled to contact family in American Samoa after the tsunami devastated the region.

In December, wide receiver Chris Henry, on injured reserve with a broken left forearm, fell from the back of a pickup truck after an argument with his fiancée and was killed.



Lewis

Holt

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Executive Director John Biletz) and I have open communication, so I'm definitely sure we'll work through it."

The 2009 Class 5A state championship game between Eagle and Capital at Bronco Stadium cost the IHSAA the flat rental fee, Millington said, while the Class 4A title game between Blackfoot and Sandpoint at the Kibbie Dome cost a little more than \$2,100 total. The other four title games, all at Holt Arena, had a combined cost of around \$17,000.

Jones said that while Idaho State deserves to make money in exchange for renting its arena, the IHSAA hopes the school will make renting Holt Arena more affordable for the association and its member schools.

"If everything stays the same, I think changes will be made," Jones said. "What those changes will be, I don't know."

One option could involve moving championship games for smaller divisions to Boise-area schools with turf fields, in part because of issues with access to Bronco Stadium's athletic facilities and in part to save considerable money.

It also could mean fewer non-championship events are scheduled at Holt Arena than in the past. Typically all Class 2A and 3A playoff games involving District V or VI teams are played there, as well as many Class 4A contests and one Class 1A Division II semifinal. But many of those operate at a loss. Class 5A and 4A football playoffs and the state wrestling and basketball tournaments are the only events that make substantial money, Jones said.

Jerome made about \$1,150 when it played Pocatello the first game of a Great 8 doubleheader at Holt Arena this season, but that windfall was completely eaten up by officials' costs and bus rental, Jones said. Great 8 games are considered a play-in round to the state tournament.

Jerome's semifinal game at Minico in 2008 grossed \$15,000 in ticket money alone, Jones said, the highest cash total of any semifinal that season.

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Twin Falls, by contrast, hosted all three of its postseason games this season. The Bruins split around a \$1,100 profit with Burley for a Great 8 game and shared around \$2,200 with Nampa in the state quarterfinals, Athletic Director Mike Federico said. The money from their semifinal game with Blackfoot, a roughly \$5,500 gate, went directly to IHSAA because it was a state-run event.

All four Class 4A and 5A semifinal game gates went into a general pool, Millington said. The IHSAA got 15 percent of the total after sales tax was paid, and the rest went to reimburse traveling schools for mileage and meals.

If any money is left over it is distributed evenly among the eight semifinalists, but there was none this year as two games operated at a substantial loss and a third gained only \$45. The Twin Falls-Blackfoot game netted more than \$2,200, Millington said.

Any venue changes would affect the state quarterfinals and onward, not the regular season. Pocatello, Highland and Century High Schools all play home football games at Holt Arena but are responsible for all costs involved.

Jones expects IHSAA officials to meet with Idaho State officials during the state wrestling tournament in late February, adding the association hopes to have a resolution by its April meeting.

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Fredette back to old self in BYU win

PROVO, Utah — Jimmer Fredette scored 21 points and No. 18 BYU matched the best start in school history with a 91-47 win over Colorado State on Saturday.

Fredette's long jumper and defensive play was part of a decisive 17-2 run at the end of the first half as the Cougars (18-1, 3-0 Mountain West Conference) pulled away for their 13th straight victory.

Greg Smith scored 13 points to lead Colorado State (11-6, 2-1).

Travis Franklin's short jumper pulled the Rams within 21-20 with 8:07 to play in the first half, but the Rams missed their final nine shots of the period.

Fredette's big game was the first time he scored more than eight points since scoring a school-record 49 against Arizona on Dec. 28. He had missed two of the previous four games and played sparingly in the others because of strep throat and mono.

BYU started the 1987-88 season with an 18-1 record, climbing to No. 2 in the AP poll.

Colorado State was averaging 76 points through two conference games, but BYU held the Rams to 38 percent shooting. Colorado State made just 1 of 13 3-point attempts.

The Cougars shot 54 percent and forced 23 turnovers.

Ranked 15th nationally in assists, the Cougars recorded 20 against CSU, spread among eight players.

UTAH STATE 81, BOISE STATE 59
LOGAN, UTAH — Brian Green scored a career-high 14 points on 5-of-7 shooting to lead Utah State.

Tai Wesley scored 13 and grabbed seven rebounds for the Aggies (13-6, 3-2 Western Athletic Conference), while Jared Quayle, Brady Jardine and Tyler Newbold added 10.

Boise State (9-10, 0-6 WAC) was led by Robert



AP photo

Arnold with 12 points.

After trailing 42-25 at half, Boise State went on an 11-2 run to open the second half, closing to within eight, 44-36, with 15:05 to play. That was as close as the Broncos could get as USU shot 52.6 percent from the field in the game, and BSU shoot 40.8 percent.

USU held Ike Okeye, BSU's leading scorer, to eight points.

Boise State tied the game 7-7 early in the first half, before USU went on an extended run, highlighted by Green shooting 3 of 4 from the 3-point line. Green ended the half with 12.

WEBER STATE 95, IDAHO STATE 93, 3 OT

POCATELLO — Damian Lillard's layup with 2 seconds left in the third overtime period gave Weber State the victory.

Lillard finished with 28 points to lead the Wildcats (11-7, 5-1 Big Sky), while Franklin Sessions added 22.

Amorrow Morgan had a game-high 30 points and Broderick Gilchrest added 25

for Idaho State (4-14, 1-5).

NEVADA 76, IDAHO 68
RENO, Nev. — Luke Babbitt scored 19 points to lead Nevada to a home Western Athletic Conference win.

Armon Johnson scored 17 and former College of Southern Idaho standout Joey Shaw scored 15 for Nevada.

Mac Hopson scored 16 for the Vandals.

TOP 25 HIGHLIGHTS
NORTHWESTERN 72, NO. 6 PURDUE 64

EVANSTON, Ill. — Michael Thompson scored 20 points and freshman Drew Crawford had a key 3-pointer and a three-point play in the final 2:04 Saturday to hand the Boilermakers their third straight loss.

Purdue (14-3, 2-3 Big Ten) has its first three-game losing streak since dropping five straight in 2006 at the end of coach Matt Painter's first season.

E'Twaun Moore scored 24 points for Purdue and

Robbie Hummel had 20.

NO. 5 SYRACUSE 72, NO. 10 WEST VIRGINIA 71
MORGANTOWN, W.Va. — Brandon Triche scored 16 points and No. 5 Syracuse nearly blew a 10-point lead in the final minute before outlasting No. 10 West Virginia. Kris Joseph and Wes Johnson added 13 points apiece for Syracuse (17-1, 4-1 Big East), while Andy Rautins had 12.

NO. 9 TENNESSEE 71, NO. 21 MISSISSIPPI 69, OT
KNOXVILLE, Tenn. — Wayne Chism scored 26 points, including hit six consecutive free throws in overtime.

Tennessee (14-2, 2-0 Southeastern Conference) had hit only 60 percent of its free throws before DeAundre Cranston's fifth foul sent Chism to the line with 49 seconds left and the game tied at 65.

NO. 20 GEORGIA TECH 73, NO. 12 NORTH CAROLINA 71
CHAPEL HILL, N.C. — Zachery Peacock made the go-ahead shot with 25.7 seconds left to rescue No. 20 Georgia Tech, which blew a 20-point first-half lead before holding on to beat No. 12 North Carolina. Iman Shumpert finished with a career-high 30 points to lead the Yellow Jackets (13-4, 2-2 Atlantic Coast Conference), who figured out a way to pull out a win after falling behind in the wild final minutes.

NO. 17 GONZAGA 68, SAN DIEGO 50
SAN DIEGO — Elias Harris scored 20 points and Steven Gray added 17 to lead No. 17 Gonzaga to its sixth straight victory.

UTAH 73, UNLV 69
LAS VEGAS -- Carlon Brown scored 16 points to lead Utah to a 73-69 road win over UNLV. David Foster added 13 for the Utes, who overcame a 27-point night from UNLV's Tre'Von Willis. — The Associated Press

STAYING A STEP AHEAD

Mind-reading systems could change air security

By Michael Tarm
Associated Press writer

CHICAGO — A would-be terrorist tries to board a plane, bent on mass murder. As he walks through a security checkpoint, fidgeting and glancing around, a network of high-tech machines analyzes his body language and reads his mind.

Screeners pull him aside. Tragedy is averted.

As far-fetched as that sounds, systems that aim to get inside an evildoer's head are among the proposals floated by security experts thinking beyond the X-ray machines and metal detectors used on millions of passengers and bags each year.

On Thursday, in the wake of the Christmas Day bombing attempt over Detroit, President Obama called on Homeland Security and the Energy Department to develop better screening technology, warning: "In the never-ending race to protect our country, we have to stay one step ahead of a nimble adversary."

The ideas that have been offered by security experts for staying one step ahead include highly sophisticated sensors, more intensive interrogations of travelers by screeners trained in human behavior, and a lifting of the U.S. prohibitions against profiling.

Some of the more unusual ideas are already being tested. Some aren't being given any serious consideration. Many raise troubling questions about civil liberties. All are costly.

"Regulators need to accept that the current approach is outdated," said Philip Baum, editor of the London-based magazine Aviation Security International. "It may have responded to the threats of the 1960s, but it doesn't respond to the threats of the 21st century."

Here's a look at some of the ideas that could shape the future of airline security:

MIND READERS

The aim of one company that blends high technology and behavioral psychology is hinted at in its name, WeCU — as in "We See You."

The system that Israeli-based WeCU Technologies has devised and is testing in Israel projects images onto airport screens, such as symbols associated with a certain terrorist group or some other image only a would-be terrorist would recognize, company CEO Ehud Givon said.

The logic is that people can't help reacting, even if



A man walks through an airport scanner Jan. 8 at San Francisco International Airport in San Francisco, Calif.

only subtly, to familiar images that suddenly appear in unfamiliar places. If you strolled through an airport and saw a picture of your mother, Givon explained, you couldn't help but respond.

The reaction could be a darting of the eyes, an increased heartbeat, a nervous twitch or faster breathing, he said.

The WeCU system would use humans to do some of the observing but would rely mostly on hidden cameras or sensors that can detect a slight rise in body temperature and heart rate. Far more sensitive devices under development that can take such measurements from a distance would be incorporated later.

If the sensors picked up a suspicious reaction, the traveler could be pulled out of line for further screening.

"One by one, you can screen out from the flow of people those with specific malicious intent," Givon said.

Some critics have expressed horror at the

approach, calling it Orwellian and akin to "brain fingerprinting."

LIE DETECTORS

One system being studied by Homeland Security is called the Future Attribute Screening Technology, or FAST, and works like a souped-up polygraph.

It would subject people pulled aside for additional screening to a battery of tests, including scans of facial movements and pupil dilation, for signs of deception. Small platforms similar to the balancing boards used in the Nintendo Wii would help detect fidgeting.

At a public demonstration of the system in Boston last year, project manager Robert Burns explained that people who harbor ill will display involuntary physiological reactions that others — such as those who are stressed out for ordinary reasons, such as being late for a plane — don't.

The system could be made to work passively, scanning people as they

walk through a security line, according to Burns.

Field testing of the system, which will cost around \$20 million to develop, could begin in 2011, The Boston Globe said in a story about the demonstration. Addressing one concern of civil libertarians, Burns said the technology would delete data after each screening.

THE ISRAELI MODEL

Some say the U.S. should take a page from Israel's book on security.

At Israeli airports, widely considered the most secure in the world, travelers are subjected to probing personal questions as screeners look them straight in the eye for signs of deception. Searches are meticulous, with screeners often scrutinizing every item in a bag, unfolding socks, squeezing toothpaste and flipping through books.

"All must look to Israel and learn from them. This is not a post-9/11 thing for them. They've been doing this since 1956," said

Michael Goldberg, president of New York-based IDO Security Inc., which developed a device that can scan shoes for hidden weapons while they are still on people's feet.

Israel also employs profiling: At Ben-Gurion Airport, Jewish Israelis typically pass through smoothly, while others may be taken aside for closer interrogation or even strip searches. Another distinguishing feature of Israeli airports is that they rely on concentric security rings that start miles from terminal buildings.

Rafi Ron, the former security director at Ben-Gurion who now is a consultant for Boston's Logan International Airport, says U.S. airports also need to be careful not to overcommit to securing passenger entry points at airports, forgetting about the rest of the field.

"Don't invest all your efforts on the front door and leave the back door open," Ron said.

While many experts agree the United States could adopt some Israeli methods, few believe the overall model would work here, in part because of the sheer number of large U.S. airports — around 400, versus half a dozen in Israel.

PROFILING

Some argue that policies against profiling undermine security.

Baum, who is also managing director of Green Light Limited, a London-based aviation security company, agrees profiling based on race and religion is counterproductive and should be avoided. But he argues that a reluctance to distinguish travelers on other grounds — such as their general appearance or their mannerisms — is not only foolhardy but dangerous.

"When you see a typical family — dressed like a family, acts like a family, interacts with each other like a family ... when their passport details match — then let's get them through," he said. "Stop wasting time that would be much better spent screening the people that we've got more concerns about."

U.S. authorities prohibit profiling of passengers based on ethnicity, religion or national origin. Current procedures call for travelers to be randomly pulled out of line for further screening.

Scrutinizing 80-year-old grandmothers or students because they might be carrying school scissors can defy common sense, Baum said.

Poll: Most Americans would curb liberties to be safer

By Steven Thomma
McClatchy Newspapers

WASHINGTON — After a recent attempted terrorist attack set off a debate about full-body scans at airports, a new McClatchy-Ipsos poll finds that Americans lean more toward giving up some of their liberty in exchange for more safety.

The survey found 51 percent of Americans agreeing that "it is necessary to give up some civil liberties in order to make the country safe from terrorism."

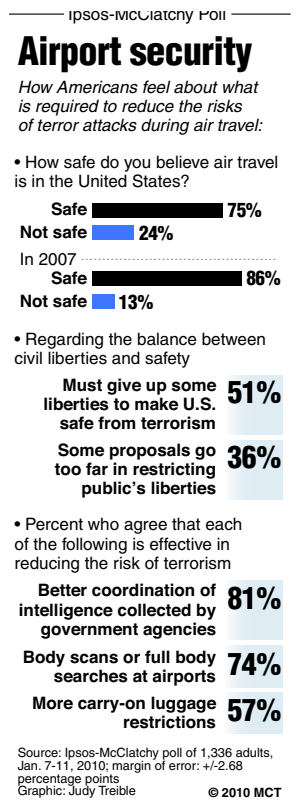
At the same time, 36 percent agreed that "some of the government's proposals will go too far in restricting the public's civil liberties."

The rest were undecided or said their opinions would depend on circumstances.

As has happened often since the 2001 terrorist attacks, the renewed debate over security is hinging on the balance between personal liberty and safety. The suspect's success in boarding a Detroit-bound plane allegedly carrying explosives is setting off calls for full-body scans, which some find an invasion of privacy, and for new restrictions on passengers once they're in flight.

To stop terrorists, Americans look first to better governmental coordination and use of intelligence, the poll found, with 81 percent calling that effective, while 11 percent found it ineffective.

Body scans or full-body searches at airports ranked second, named by 74 percent as an effective way to stop terrorism. Nineteen percent called those measures ineffective.



New python found in Everglades sparks fears of a 'super snake'



Photo courtesy pythonsnake.org

Five African rock pythons, like the one shown here, were found in Florida this week, sparking fears of a new breeding population in the Everglades.

By Andy Reid
Sun Sentinel

FORT LAUDERDALE, Fla. — Fears of a new "super snake" emerging in the Everglades grew this week during a hunt to track South Florida's invasive python population.

A three-day, state-coordinated hunt that started Tuesday had, by Wednesday, netted at least five African rock pythons—including a 14-foot-long female—in a targeted area in Miami-Dade County.

Those findings add to concerns that the rock python is a new breeding population in the Everglades and not just the result of a few overgrown

pets released into the wild, according to the South Florida Water Management District.

In addition, state environmental officials worry that the rock python could breed with the Burmese python, which already has an established foothold in the Everglades. That could lead to a new "super snake," said George Horne, the water district's deputy executive director.

In Africa, the rock python eats everything from goats to crocodiles. There have been cases of the snakes killing children.

"They are bigger and meaner than the Burmese python. It's not good news," said Deborah Drum, deputy

director of the district's restoration sciences department.

The concern is that a hybrid python could pose even more risk of large constrictor snakes overwhelming the Everglades—where they thrive without a natural predator.

The state estimates that thousands of Burmese pythons have spread through the Everglades. Some came from people releasing exotic pets they no longer wished to care for; others are thought to have escaped during hurricanes and then bred new generations in the wild.

The string of unusually cold temperatures in South Florida flushed more of the

snakes out of the wild and onto flood control levees.

The snake hunt targets an area near the intersection of Tamiami Trail and Krome Avenue in Miami-Dade County. It includes representatives from the water management district, the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission and Everglades National Park.

Three of the African rock pythons found this week were captured, and two got away. One had a circumference of 31 inches. Another was bearing eggs.

The African rock python typically has a "nastier disposition" than the Burmese python, said LeRoy Rodgers, a water district scientist.



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Dear Mr. Wolff:
Do you recommend using trumps just to show suit preference, or can they signal other things as well?

Signal Corps, Davenport, Iowa

ANSWER: Some people play a trump echo as indicating a desire to ruff; others use it to show an odd number of trumps. However, a trump signal to show suit-preference is far more useful. You can convey the desire to ruff just as well by giving appropriate suit preference. Moreover, your number of trumps normally becomes apparent very early on in the hand for other reasons and is rarely critical to the defense.

Dear Mr. Wolff:
When your partner opens a weak two-bid in hearts and the next hand doubles, what is the right action with ♠ A-J-3, ♥ K-4, ♦ A-Q-3-2, ♣ J-10-3-2? If you redoubled, would you do the same with a heart less and a spade more?

Off and Running, Albany, Ga.

ANSWER: In my opinion redoubling announces ownership of the deal and asks your partner to act — normally by doubling the opponents but occasionally by rebidding his suit with extra trump length and no defense. If you had a 4-1-4 shape and were about to double the opponents wherever they stopped, you would pass, then double, and not give partner the chance to act.

Dear Mr. Wolff:
Is there any literary work that portrays bridge seriously as opposed to mentioning the subject in passing?

Bookworm, Cincinnati, Ohio

ANSWER: Recently some bridge-themed action novels have come out; I can't whole-heartedly recommend any of them as a great read. But in my youth I read "Duplicate Death" by Georgette Heyer and "Cards on the Table" by

Agatha Christie, both of which took bridge seriously. Comic author S.J. Simon was a superb player, and Somerset Maugham a very keen one. Both wrote fiction that touched on the game.

Dear Mr. Wolff:
If you were third to speak, holding ♠ A-9-6-4-2, ♥ K-10-3, ♦ 7-3-2, ♣ K-2, would you open? Would you overcall an opening bid on your right? Does the vulnerability matter?

Active Andy, Danville, Ill.

ANSWER: I must confess that whether it is winning tactics or not, I would open this hand at all vulnerabilities. I realize that this may trigger a penalty larger than our opponents' partscore or game, but I feel that if I do not bid, I make life too easy for my opponents. Yes, I would overcall any bid on my right — one cannot afford to lose the spade suit. It is not so clear to bid with the same strength with a diamond or heart suit instead of spades, and I would NEVER overcall at the two-level.

Dear Mr. Wolff:
I was confused with a recent answer to a "Bid With the Aces" quiz. Your answer was that if you opened one club and jumped to four clubs after a response of one spade, you had six clubs and four spades. Is this a convention and is it in standard use?

Missing the Point, Texarkana, Texas

ANSWER: Yes, it is commonly understood that this sequence shows good clubs (six of them at least) and four spades, with the values to drive to game. This helps partner envision a source of tricks for his side in a spade slam.

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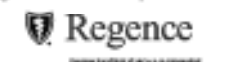
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The Grant Plans being reviewed will be **Weatherization Assistance for Low Income Persons**. The purpose of this notice is to receive comment on the proposed use of funds from federally funded Grants during Federal Fiscal Year 2010. There are no substantial changes from the State Plan of Federal Fiscal Year 2009.

This plan is available for Public review at: *Community Action Partnership Association of Idaho*, 5400 West Franklin Road, Suite G Boise, Idaho 83705. A public hearing will be held on Wednesday, January 27, 2010, at 1:00 pm., Mountain Daylight Savings Time, at 5400 West Franklin Road, Suite G Boise, Idaho, 83705.

Anyone may submit written comment regarding the proposed use of these funds for this grant. Forms for this purpose and/or copies of the Plans may be obtained from 5400 West Franklin Road, Suite G, Boise, Idaho, 83705, or by calling (208) 375-7382. For more information, contact Mary Chant at (208) 375-7382, *Community Action Partnership Association of Idaho*, 5400 West Franklin Road, Suite G Boise, Idaho, 83705.

Any one wishing to submit written comments must do before 5 p.m., Mountain Daylight Savings Time, January 27, 2010, at 5400 West Franklin Road, Suite G Boise, Idaho 83705.

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The 2010 HOME application is available at <http://www.ihfa.org/ihfa/grant-programs/home-program/multifamily.aspx>. The HOME program requirements are found in the IHFA 2010 HOME Administrative Plan at <http://www.ihfa.org/ihfa/grant-programs/home-program/2010-approved-home-administrative-plan.aspx> Contact the IHFA Grant Programs Department toll free at 1-877-4GRANTS (447-2687), or TDD (800) 545-1833 or jerik@ihfa.org for additional information.

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Copies of the CONTRACT DOCUMENTS may be obtained off The Engineer's ftp site beginning January 11, 2010 after 5:00 pm with no charge.

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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 to 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: http://www.ihfa.org/grants_actionpartplans.asp or www.commerce.idaho.gov;

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

101 Lost and Found

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LOST Cat since 1/04/10; black short-hair domestic, male, neutered from Cameo Estates "Buddy". The court loves him. Call Paul 358-1477.



LOST Shih Tzu, male, tan/white, has a red collar with Max on the tag, lost New Years Eve near 2600 E/3200 Twin Falls. Has old phone number on tag. **REWARD!** Call 736-6089/731-4416 instead.

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2. Pomeranian cross tan/black adult male 100 block of Jefferson
3. Pit Bull cross tan/white adult male, Eastland Dr.
4. Pit Bull/Heeler cross white/brindle female puppy found at 3400 N 3200 E
5. Basset/Border Collie cross black/white adult female found on S. Washington
6. Basset Hound tri colored adult female, Sunburst
7. German Shepherd/Rottweiler cross black/brown/white female puppy, Lincoln Elementary
8. Australian Shepherd red merle adult female found at 3757 N 3600 E
9. Min Pin black/brown adult male green/white collar adult male found at 3757 N 3600 E
10. Pekingese tan/black face adult female found on 711 2nd Ave N
11. Lab cross black female puppy left in a Taxi
12. Pit Bull/Shepherd cross red/white female puppy found at the Twin Falls Library
13. German Shepherd cross tan/black muzzle female puppy found at 259 Pheasant Rd.
14. Pit Bull/Heeler cross black/brown/white male puppy found at Addison & Washington

ADOPTIONS

1. Lab/Retriever cross black 5 mo spayed female pup
2. Lab cross black with white on chest 5 month old spayed female puppy
3. Border collie cross black and white 4 month old neutered male puppy
4. Aussie cross brindle/white 1 yr old neutered male
5. Lab chocolate 9 year old - neutered male
6. Pit/Heeler cross brindle and white 3 month old neutered female puppy
7. Basset/Border Collie cross black/white 2 year old spayed female
8. Terrier/ border collie cross black and white 1 year old neutered male
9. Pointer/ pit cross white/brown 1 year spayed female
10. Chow cross red/black 2 year old neutered male
11. Husky cross grey/white 3 year old neutered male
12. Basset Hound tri colored 7 year spayed female
13. Shepherd/Rottweiler cross black/brown/white 5 month old spayed female
14. Lab/Hound cross black/white on chest & toes 8 month old neutered male
15. Shepherd cross tan/black muzzle 2 mo spayed female
16. Pit/Rottweiler cross black/tan/white 2 month old neutered male

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101 Lost and Found



LOST Kitten, female, Maltese, 4 months old. Cross-eyed, something on left eye. Any info please call (208)735-9492.

LOST Pekingese, female black face, red/black/tan color, lost by Grandview & Lavina. 280-6720

104 Personals

Single man is wanting to meet single lady in 30's or 40's, relationship/companionship to and able to drive. Come & meet with me & let's go to China Village for a treat. 404 East Ave. E. Jerome, Id 83338.

106 Special Notices

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JUMBLE

Unscramble these six Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form six ordinary words.

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PRINT YOUR ANSWER IN THE CIRCLES BELOW

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604 Unfurnished Apartments

TWIN FALLS Clean 2 bdrm duplex, garage, central air, W/D hookups some utils, no pets/smoking, Idaho Housing considered. \$545 + dep. 612 Idaho St. 734-6230

TWIN FALLS Clean 3 bdrm duplex, fenced yard, some utils, a pet ok \$650. 560 Baker St. 734-6230

TWIN FALLS

DEAR ABBY: After an on-again off-again affair with a married man for almost 10 years, our relationship finally ended today.

During the time we "messed around," I lost most of my friends because we socialized in the same circles, and I felt ashamed of what I was doing, so I stopped going around with any of them. So here I sit, lonely and embarrassed.



DEAR ABBY
Jeanne Phillips

How do I explain to people I meet why I don't have many friends? I know time heals, and I need to focus on the good things in my life and move forward, but I feel isolated and stupid.

I never asked him to leave his wife nor did he promise he would. It was just a one-night stand that went on way too long. I did have relationships in between, but I'd always go back to him.

Can you please give me some suggestions on how to rebuild my self-esteem and learn to love myself again?

— KICKING MYSELF IN CALIFORNIA

DEAR KICKING YOURSELF: Gladly. A giant step in the right direction would be to stop kicking yourself because you appear to be plenty bruised already. Then, instead of isolating yourself, get out and get busy: Join a gym. Scout out organizations where you can volunteer.

No one will know whether you have dozens of friends or only a few — and don't volunteer the information because it's no one's business.

Take a class or two. Join a church if you feel you need spiritual guidance. And make a vow never to involve yourself with a married man again.

DEAR ABBY: I work for a veterinarian, and I would appreciate it if you would please print some "tips" for pet owners to make their visits go more smoothly.

1. When you call for an appointment, please give us YOUR name. Do not say, "This is Fluffy's mother," because we care for 23 cute, cuddly cats named Fluffy and also a couple of Pomeranians.

2. Always have your dog on a leash and your cat in a cat carrier. If you don't own one, place him/her in a cardboard box taped firmly shut. Cats are more secure in an enclosed space, so it will be calmer during the visit. Loose cats can bolt at the sight of a strange person or pet and become injured, or even dash out an open door.

3. Please do not bring your other pets along "for company." It is distracting for you and also for the pet who is being seen. Also, it's important that you be able to fully concentrate on everything the doctor has to say.

4. Please do NOT offer advice to others who are waiting.

5. DO ask us about anything you're curious or worried about. We have heard it all and won't be shocked, embarrassed or think you are "dumb." It is our job to make sure you are comfortable and knowledgeable about your pet. Feel free to tell us the funny thing he did this week, or how she comforted you. We love to hear about our "patients."

— FRONT DESK LADY

DEAR LADY: I hope my readers with pets will take your intelligent suggestions to heart. And I'm betting that your list of "tips" will be posted in veterinary practices far and wide. Thank you for sending them.

HESSTON 8450 14' swather, 7874 hrs on tractor, 3000 hrs on header, \$20,000. **Hesston 8450** 14' swather 3412 hrs, \$36,000. **2009 Darl 917** FDB 17 wheel electric rake, \$19,000. **2004 Hesston 4690** 3-string baler 15"x22" HL67212, 637 hrs, \$22,000. **2008 Hesston 2190** cutter baler tandem axle, 15K bales, bale skin chamber liner, all updates exc shape \$98,000. **Ag-bagger MH-9700** 12' cable Cat 3406 hyd drive rotor recond rebuilt, works perfectly, \$48,000. **1999 H&S** hay windrow merger 990016 9' pickup, \$6,000. **2000 H&S** hay windrow merger 990093 9' pickup, \$7,000. **2000 Ford NH 8870** tractor 5093 hrs, SN0420507 deluxe cab, 420/85 R30 front, 18.4-46 rear duals, radar, full front & tire weights, super steer, \$45,900. **2007 JD 6120** 65hp 2WD 10.00-16 front, 460/85R34 rear tires, 3 remotes, front weights, 904 hrs, \$30,000. **208-539-0485**

607 Office and Retail Rentals

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616 Roommates Wanted

TWIN FALLS roommate wanted, near CSI, \$300 mo. All utilities paid. Call **208-539-4126**.

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701 Livestock/Poultry

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AMERICAN BULLDOGS NKC Reg Johnson style, 7 males, taking deposits. **208-320-7610**

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BICHON AKC pups champion pedigree. Non shedding, guarantee & care pkg. As pets. **673-5525**

BOSTON TERRIER puppies, CKC Reg, 3 females left, born 11/20/09, great dogs for kids. Call **208-543-4404** or **208-329-9962**

BOSTON TERRIER Pups, 2 males, 9 wks, email cm1efevre@yahoo.com for pictures or call **775-726-3507**.

COCKER SPANIEL Puppy, beige in color, male, 6 weeks, purebred, \$250. Call **208-329-4449**.

FREE 3 year old very friendly, neutered declawed black house cat. Call **208-543-6126**

FREE Big dog, mixed breed, male, 2 years old, neutered, "Scar", friendly, but scares the neighbors. Call **208-436-9448**

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704 Pets and Pet Supplies

FREE Calico kitten, 6 months old, litter box trained + accessories. Call **208-948-6889**

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FREE Doberman, 7 years old, great dog, not good with kids, comes w/ accessories. Call **208-751-1508**

FREE German Rottweiler to good home. 3 yr old purebred, good with kids & other animals. Neutered & current on all shots. **208-410-7569**

FREE Jack Russell, 2 males. To a good home, both neutered & current shots. **208-539-4779** eves.

FREE Kittens. (2) Adorable kittens & in need of a good home. Prefer indoors. Call **208-731-2861**

FREE Terrier Mix, male, approx 6 years old, older woman preferred, great watch dog. **208-733-6796**



FREE to good home: 2 loving dogs (mixed breed), 5 and 6 years old. Forced to move, can't take them with me. **208-731-1348**

FRENCH BULLDOG/Boston Terrier puppy will be 6 wks. Jan. 27th, 1 female left, \$500. **208-308-6636**

GOLDEN RETRIEVER AKC Reg. Males, \$200. Females, \$250. Shots, dewclaws removed. Parents on site. **208-539-2469**

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POMERANIAN Puppies, 1 male, 1 female, AKC Reg, 1st shots, 8 wks, beautiful fluffy loving babies, \$300 ea. **208-436-6787** Rupert

POMERANIAN Puppies, 1 male, 1 female, 10 weeks old. First shots. Can be papered. \$175 or best offer. **208-890-0420**

POMERANIAN pups, purebred, 1 male, 1 female, 11 wks old, 1st shots. Call for details **539-5604**

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SHIH TZU puppies AKC reg. Small, parents under 10 lbs. Adorable, female pups only. **208-312-2431**

SHIH TZU Puppies, AKC Reg., 2 males, well marked black/white, 8 weeks. 1st shots, \$300 each. **208-436-6787** Rupert

TOY POODLE/ITALIAN GREYHOUND Adorable puppies, 2 males, ready Jan. 18th, \$150 each. **208-420-1666**

WANTED: Cocker Spaniel female, blond or buff, not spayed, 2 mo-3+ yrs. Reasonable price. **212-5452**.

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705 Farm Equipment

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SUDOKU

Conceptis Sudoku

By Dave Green

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Answer to previous puzzle

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HAY All 3 crops, approximately 100 tons, small bales. **208-543-4113** or **208-490-1098**

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HORSE HAY 3rd cutting, 125 lbs. 3-string, green, barn stored, \$10/bale. **20**

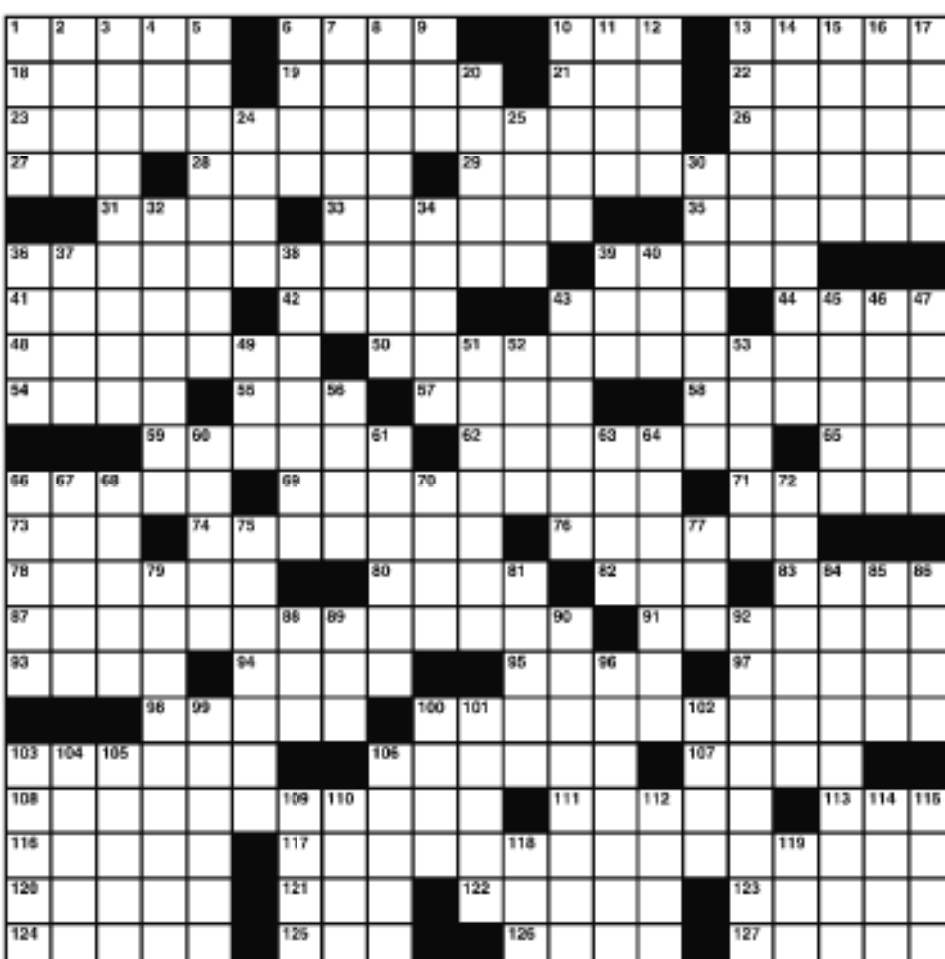
Sunday Crossword

Edited by Rich Norris and Joyce Nichols Lewis

HYBRIDS By Don Gagliardo

ACROSS

- 1 Bet
- 6 Ancient sorcerer
- 10 Concentration amt.
- 13 130-minute H.S. tests
- 18 Notwithstanding
- 19 Model
- 21 Altar constellation
- 22 Find a new home for, as a plant
- 23 Chutzpah?
- (Chevy/Saturn)
- 26 Singer Bryant
- 27 Cockney aspiration?
- 28 Year's record
- 29 Duffer's trip through Scotland? (Volkswagen/Honda)
- 31 Pilot lead-in
- 33 Capa waver
- 35 Donny and Marie, by birth
- 36 Memorable forest caretaker? (Ford/Acura)
- 39 Deck used for readings
- 41 Continue until
- 42 Vast spice trade region of yore
- 43 Miniseries, often
- 44 Hebrides isle
- 48 Formally exit
- 50 Speeding, e.g.?
- (Chevy/Ford)
- 54 Proceed tediously
- 55 Kickoff aid
- 57 2000s sitcom single mom
- 58 Hues
- 59 Ancient Egyptian deity
- 62 Bit of exercise room equipment
- 65 Consumed
- 66 Microwave brand
- 69 The feel of Manhattan? (Honda/Saturn)
- 71 Awards since 1949
- 73 Confine, with "in"
- 74 Choose paper over plastic?
- 76 First step toward nirvana
- 78 Off the beaten path
- 80 Residents: Suff.
- 82 Singing syllables
- 83 Local movie venue, in Variety slang
- 87 Columbus gone wild? (Nissan/Ford)
- 91 "No prob!"
- 93 Let slide
- 94 Minus
- 96 Enjoy Doritos, say
- 97 Tender cockerel
- 98 Like litt



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- 100 Beethoven's 32 for piano, say? (Hyundai/Subaru)
- 103 Styx ferryman
- 106 Movie set structure
- 107 Mensch lead-in
- 108 Feature of the queen's English? (Buick/Hyundai)
- 111 Dill pickler
- 113 Like any theme ans. in this puzzle
- 116 Typewriter type size
- 117 Nice plot? (Buick/Oldsobile)
- 120 Hall of Fame Vikings lineman Carl
- 121 With 125-Across, words before
- 122 Radio pioneer
- 123 Peasant's meal
- 124 Silt deposit
- 125 See 121-Across
- 126 Metrical units
- 127 Fresh

- DOWN
- 1 Chisholm Trail city
- 2 "I need it fast!"
- 3 Basketball maneuver
- 4 "Grandparenting in a Changing World" author LeShan

- 5 Empathize with
- 6 Look
- 7 Fees charged to sponsors
- 8 Like some historical time scales
- 9 Mer contents
- 10 Italian soccer great Rossi
- 11 TA's boss
- 12 Speedy shark
- 13 Seek divine intervention from
- 14 Hit
- 15 Imitative
- 16 Count from one
- 17 Visits
- 20 Three-star rank: Abbr.
- 24 "Are you out?"
- 25 Grace starter
- 30 "Inka Dinka Doo" composer
- 32 Amin subject
- 34 Show again
- 36 Survey taker: Abbr.
- 37 Shrub yielding a blue dye
- 38 Dormant state
- 39 _ chi
- 40 "A long time in a galaxy far, far away ..."

- 43 Single or separated, e.g.
- 45 William of _ for whom a logical "razor" was named
- 46 Screw
- 47 Carrying team
- 49 Salt Lake City college athlete
- 51 Sub, perhaps
- 52 Palindromic pop group
- 53 Pottery worker
- 56 Red explorer?
- 60 Synop source
- 61 Is of use
- 63 _-B: dental care brand
- 64 Pop singer
- 66 "Day's Night"
- 67 "What do you take _?"
- 68 Barcelona buddy
- 70 Comparison words
- 72 Coin-making
- 75 19th century soprano _ Patti
- 77 Columbus sch.
- 79 River to the Tigris
- 81 Medicinal plant
- 84 Shoots for dinner

- 85 Ivied halls
- 86 " _ moe"
- 88 Gen_
- 89 Study of Freud, etc., in a coll. catalog
- 90 Asphalt layer, perhaps
- 92 Mostly submerged hazards
- 96 Germ-free
- 99 Many CBS Radio listeners
- 100 _-Flush
- 101 Original Crayola pack, e.g.
- 102 Fontaine's theater partner
- 103 Fishing trap
- 104 Greeting
- 105 Physically flexible
- 106 Abnormal temperature
- 109 Field yield
- 110 Theater
- 112 _ the finish
- 114 Sticks with leather tips
- 115 Count (on)
- 118 Two-minute warning giver
- 119 George's songwriting partner

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1005 Semis And Heavy Equipment



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CHEVY '07 1500 4 door, 4x4, cloth interior, 145K mi. \$12,000/offer. Call 208-280-4467



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CHEVY '08 Silverado 3500HD, LT, 4X4, Crew Cab, long box, spray in bedliner, 30K miles, PW, PL, cruise, Workhorse! Stock # 8F213371 208-733-3033



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1893 — Hawaii's monarchy is overthrown as a group of businessmen and sugar planters force Queen Liliuokalani to abdicate.

1945 — Soviet troops and Polish forces liberate Warsaw, more than five years after it fell to Nazi Germany; Swedish diplomat Raoul Wallenberg, credited with saving tens of thousands of Jews, disappears in Hungary while in Soviet custody

1961 — In his farewell address, U.S. President Dwight Eisenhower warns against the rise of "the military-industrial complex."

1977 — Convicted murderer Gary Gilmore, 36, is shot by a firing squad at Utah State Prison in the first U.S. execution in a decade.

1991 — Second and third airstrikes against targets in Iraq and Kuwait are launched. At least six Iraqi Scud missiles are launched at Tel Aviv, Israel. Three hit civilian areas, slightly injuring 12 people.

1993 — The United States unleashes a shower of Tomahawk cruise missiles against a nuclear fabricating plant 13 kilometers (8 miles) from Baghdad, delivering the point that Iraq must comply with U.N. resolutions.

1994 — An earthquake devastates suburbs in the San Fernando Valley, California, killing 61 people and injuring over 10,000.

1995 — Japan's deadliest earthquake in 70 years slams Kobe and other western cities, killing more than 5,000 people.

1996 — Sheik Omar Abdel-Rahman, the spiritual leader of Egypt's main Muslim radical faction, is sentenced to life in prison by a U.S. court for plotting to blow up the United Nations and other New York-area landmarks.

1997 — In Dublin, with little fanfare, a court grants the first divorce in Ireland's history.

1999 — Fighting erupts near a village in Kosovo, Yugoslavia, where 45 ethnic Albanians were massacred a few days earlier, forcing mourners to halt funeral services for the slain and flee.

2001 — Faced with an electricity crisis, California uses rolling blackouts to cut off power to hundreds of thousands of people. Gov. Gray Davis signs an emergency order authorizing the state to buy power.

2002 — The volcano Nyiragongo in eastern Congo erupts, forcing most of the 500,000 residents of the nearby city of Goma to flee; two neo-Nazi youths are convicted for the stabbing death of a 15-year-old in the first racially motivated fatal crime on record in Norway.

2004 — About 10,000 Muslim women march through Paris to protest against France's plan to ban head coverings from public schools.

2005 — Palestinian leader Mahmoud Abbas orders his security forces to prevent attacks against Israel and investigate the most recent deadly shooting of Israelis.

2006 — In his first statement since becoming Israel's acting prime minister, Ehud Olmert says he wants to resume final peace talks with the Palestinians and take harsh action against Israeli squatters in the West Bank.

2007 — Jinal Antel Sali Jr., a top leader of the al-Qaida-linked Abu Sayyaf rebel group in the Philippines who was accused of kidnapping three Americans in 2001 and of masterminding one of Southeast Asia's worst terror attacks three years later, is killed by Filipino army forces.

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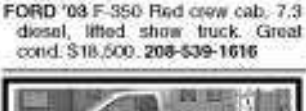
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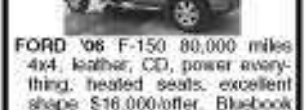
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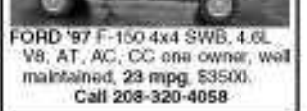
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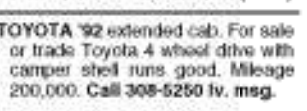


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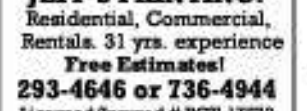
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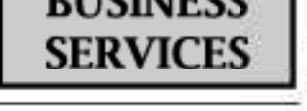
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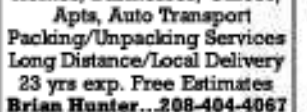
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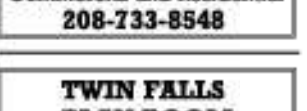
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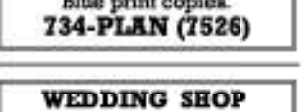
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MEAGAN THOMPSON/Times-News

Nikki Smith, a decorator for Cameo Special Events & Party Rentals, winds garlands of fake ivy around a backdrop that will be a part of Aaron Phillips and Ashley Holverson's reception on Feb. 27. Jean Phillips, mother of the groom and owner of the Burley event company, has been planning for the couple, who for now live in separate Idaho towns.



MEAGAN THOMPSON/Times-News

Jean Phillips, owner and lead wedding planner for Cameo Special Events & Party Rentals, orders the napkins for her son and daughter-in-law's reception. She describes the reception as simple, elegant and rustic.



MEAGAN THOMPSON/Times-News

Jean Phillips ties a ribbon that matches Ashley Holverson's color scheme around a teddy bear. The bears will be used for a children's version of the bouquet-and-garter belt toss so that adult guests can participate in the latter event — 'so that it kind of sticks to the tradition of who's going to get married next,' she says.

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PLANNING FROM AFAR

Bride and groom in different cities?
Just plan the wedding by phone

By Melissa Davlin • Times-News writer

BURLEY — Flowers. Seating arrangements. Color swatches. Cake tastings. Linens. Menus.

Wedding plans are enough to make any bride-to-be consider eloping. But Ashley Holverson, 19, has to make all of those decisions twice, and some from two hours away from the reception location.

Ashley and her fiancé, Aaron Phillips, 22, are planning two receptions after their wedding at the Idaho Falls temple of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints — one in Idaho Falls, where the bride lives, and one in Rupert, where Aaron and his family are based. As for so many other long-distance couples, those plans have to be made over the phone or with weekend trips.

With occasional visits and long telephone calls, the Holverson-Phillips details are slowly getting hammered out. It's a process that's familiar to many an Idaho family.

In a phone interview, Ashley said she is putting a lot of her energy toward the Idaho Falls reception, while giving her input on the Rupert reception, which Aaron and his mom are putting together. The Idaho Falls reception will take place after the ceremony



Photo courtesy of AARON PHILLIPS

Aaron Phillips and his fiancée, Ashley Holverson, plan two receptions, including one in Rupert, after their Idaho Falls wedding.

on Feb. 20. The newlyweds will honeymoon at Disneyland in California, then return to Idaho for the second reception at the Rupert Stake Center on Feb. 27.

See **PLANNING**, FL 4

Men know
better than to
mess with
wedding plans

When I was 10, two of my older siblings got married in the same winter. It was then I quickly realized: I was doomed.

This awakening had nothing to do with the idea of love, companionship or the disgusting jokes your best man paints on the car's windshield before the honeymoon. It wasn't even the chalk-white dinner jacket that I had to wear for both weddings — the kind that makes you look like a game show host.

SPILT MILK
David Cooper



What did shake me, however, was the control that my older brother and my brother-in-law totally lost for those 24 hours of marital bliss. Every detail of the wedding and receptions, from the dress, to the cummerbunds, to the dinner mints, was essentially the decision of the bride. The exception, of course, was the "I do" part.

My brother and his wife married in January, so she decided to go with a winter theme for her bridesmaids, with turtleneck dresses and hand muffs. The pictures were taken on a church stage that had cotton batting laid for snow, with deer and animals all around.

I know they were happy to be married, but halfway through the night, they looked like they were stuck in a King Family Sisters Christmas special.

Then came my sister's wedding, and spring was in the air. Not since the Lawrence Welk show went off the air has there been so much pink and powder blue collected in a wardrobe ensemble. Just like the previous wedding, everyone looked dashing — for that era, anyway.

But my brother-in-law, an aspiring football coach, eventually manned up enough testosterone for one improvised moment. Midway through the reception, he kicked off the white dress shoes and traipsed around in his turf cleats.

That's about all the average man can slip into his buttoned-down wedding festivity. The world of wedding planning is not in his universe by any stretch of the imagination.

The process may have some romantic allure at first. But the bloom comes off the rose pretty fast. Soon, your forays into floral arrangements and menu selections evoke déjà vu from Saturdays you spent as a kid with your mom at the fabric shop.

Let this be a fair warning to all brides: If you're expecting your man to go alongside you in choosing wedding details, don't be insulted or offended when he balks.

Maybe, you should compromise. Perhaps you can consider an addition to the wedding party — a nacho bar, a breakdancing contest, karaoke of wedding songs.

You know, anything that adds real sophistication and class to a once-in-a-lifetime event.

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AP photos
Bridal fashion
by Joynoele.

Trend in bridal gowns is to follow your heart

By Samantha Critchell
Associated Press writer

NEW YORK — Many brides positively know what their wedding gown will look like long before they meet their groom, and they're not going to let a little thing — OK, actually a huge thing — known as the economy dash their dream dress.

They are seeking out gowns with smaller price-tags, according to industry experts, but their expectations haven't shrunk accordingly.

What's a gown designer to do? Give these women what they want and bundle it up in a big white bow. There's really no arguing with a bride who has made up her mind.

At the most recent round of wedding fashion previews, observers said there were a lot of sellable gowns catering to a variety of tastes and lifestyles, none of which, however, were obviously pared-down. There might have been a little less beading and fewer exotic trims,

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Bridal
fashion by
Nicole
Miller.

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: Roast pork
Tuesday: Liver and onions
Wednesday: Fried chicken
Thursday: Broccoli and beef with rice
Friday: Barbecued pork on a bun

ACTIVITIES:

Today: Unitarian Church service, 10 a.m.
Monday: Quilting, 8 a.m. Fit and Fall Proof exercise, 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. Bridge, 1 p.m. Tai chi, 1 p.m., \$1
Bunco and contra dancing, 6 p.m. Duplicate bridge, 6:30 p.m.
Tuesday: Ticket Tuesday at lunch
Duplicate bridge, 12:30 p.m. Oil painting by appointment, 734-0509
Basket weaving, 404-6377
Let's Dance, 6 to 11 p.m.
Wednesday: Cinnamon rolls for sale, 8:30 to 11:30 a.m.; \$1.50 each
Quilting, 8 a.m.
Fit and Fall Proof, 10:30 to 11:30 a.m.
Gem State Fiddlers, 11 a.m. to noon
Duplicate bridge, 12:30 p.m.
Board meeting, 1 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 11:30 a.m.
Texas Hold'em, 1 p.m.
Tai chi, 1 p.m., \$1
Saturday: Super bingo, 1 to 3 p.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: Meatloaf
Wednesday: Potato soup
Thursday: Baked ham

ACTIVITIES:

Monday: Bingo, 7 p.m.
Tuesday: Puzzles, 11:30 a.m.

Bingo, 12:30 p.m.
Cards, 1 to 4 p.m.
Wednesday: Puzzles, 11:30 a.m.
Thursday: Puzzles, 11:30 a.m.
Bingo, 1 p.m.
Friday: Pinochle, 7 p.m.

Ageless Senior Citizens Inc.

310 Main St. N., Kimberly. Lunch and full-serve salad bar, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.; take-out; home delivery. Suggested donation: \$4, seniors; \$5, under 60; \$2.50, under 12. Center hours: 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

MENUS:

Monday: Stroganoff over noodles
Wednesday: Taco salad
Friday: Oven-fried chicken

ACTIVITIES:

Monday: Nu-2-U Thrift Store open 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Exercise, 10:30 a.m. AA meeting, 8 p.m. Al-Anon meeting, 8 p.m.
Tuesday: Bingo, 7 p.m.; everyone over 18 welcome
Wednesday: Nu-2-U open 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Exercise, 10:30 a.m.
Thursday: NA meeting, 7 p.m.
Friday: Nu-2-U open 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Exercise, 10:30 a.m. Bingo, 11:50 a.m. Pinochle, 1 p.m.

Wendell Senior Meal Site

105 W. Ave. A. Lunch served at noon Mondays. Hours: 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

West End Senior Citizens Inc.

1010 Main St., Buhl. Lunch at noon. Suggested donation: \$4, seniors; \$5, under 60. Sunday buffet: 1 p.m.; \$5, seniors; \$6, under 60; \$4, under 12. Center hours: 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sunday; 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday, Tuesday, Thursday; 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. Wednesday.

MENUS:

Monday: Jambalaya
Tuesday: Ham and beans
Wednesday: Hot dogs
Thursday: Barbecued ribs, birthday dinner

ACTIVITIES:

Today: Pork roast dinner, 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. Jackpot, Nev., trip
Thursday: Quilting, 8 a.m. to

3 p.m.
Bus runs for lunch pickup, call 543-4577 by 10:30 a.m.
Blood pressure checks, 11:45 a.m. Bingo, 1 to 3 p.m.
Friday: SilverSneakers, 10:30 a.m.

Gooding County Senior Citizen Center

308 Senior Ave., Gooding. Lunch at noon. Suggested donation: \$3.50 for seniors. Center hours: 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

MENUS:

Monday: Meatloaf
Tuesday: Chicken cordon bleu
Wednesday: Lasagna
Thursday: Veal cutlets

ACTIVITIES:

Monday: Pool, 9:30 a.m. Pinochle, 12:30 p.m. Wild card, 6 p.m.
Tuesday: Pool, 9:30 a.m. and 1 p.m. Hand and foot, 6 p.m.
Wednesday: Pool, 9:30 a.m. Shuffleboard, 6 p.m. Energy assistance
Thursday: Quilt social, 9 a.m. Pool, 9:30 a.m.
Music by the Fiddlers
Pinochle, 7 p.m.
Friday: Bridge and duplicate bridge, 1 p.m.
Saturday: Pinochle, 7 p.m.

Hagerman Valley Senior and Community Center

140 E. Lake, Hagerman. Lunch at noon. Suggested donation: \$4, seniors; \$5, under 60; \$2, under 12. Center hours: 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.; thrift shop, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.; free high-speed Internet.

MENUS:

Monday: Spaghetti and meatballs
Wednesday: Baked chicken and noodles
Friday: Soup and salad

ACTIVITIES:

Monday: Blood draws, 8:30 to 10:30 a.m.

Carey Senior Center

Main Street. Lunch at noon. Suggested donation: \$3, seniors; \$5, non-seniors.

MENUS:

Monday: Salad and soup bar
Thursday: Salami and cheese panino

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: Burritos
Tuesday: Meatloaf
Wednesday: Fish or chicken
Thursday: Tater Tot casserole
Friday: Hot turkey sandwich

ACTIVITIES:

Today: Dance, music by Melody Masters, 2 to 5 p.m.
Monday: SilverSneakers exercise, 10:30 a.m. Bridge, 12:30 p.m. Last Resort
SilverSneakers, 5:20 to 6:20 p.m.
Tuesday: SilverSneakers, 10 a.m. Gem State Fiddlers
Pinochle, 1 p.m. Bingo
Snack bar, 5 p.m. Bingo, 7 p.m.; early bird, 6:45 p.m.
Wednesday: SilverSneakers, 10:30 a.m. Bridge, 12:30 p.m. Dick and John
Threads of Time, 1 to 4 p.m. Pinochle, 7 p.m.
Thursday: SilverSneakers, 10 a.m. SilverSneakers, 5:20 to 6:20 p.m. Free Will Baptist Church
potluck, 6 p.m.
Friday: SilverSneakers, 10:30 a.m. Pinochle, 1 p.m. Kids Club, 3:30 to 5 p.m. Birthday dinner
Last Resort

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: Chili
Thursday: Turkey tetrazzini

Golden Years Senior Citizens Inc.

218 N. Rail St. W., Shoshone. Lunch at noon. Suggested donation: \$3.50, seniors; \$5.50, under 60. Center hours: 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday; 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday.

MENUS:

Tuesday: Meatballs and gravy
Wednesday: Turkey salad sandwich
Friday: Spaghetti with meat sauce

ACTIVITIES:

Tuesday: Pinochle, 1 p.m. Bingo
Wednesday: Black-out bingo, 12:30 p.m.

Friday: Pinochle, 1 p.m. Bingo

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: Chicken stir-fry
Wednesday: Pot roast
Friday: Lasagna

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: Salad and soup bar
Tuesday: Rigatoni and beef
Wednesday: Pork chops
Thursday: Salami and cheese panino
Friday: Pot roast

ACTIVITIES:

Monday: Massage therapy, 9 a.m. Fit and Fall Proof exercise, 10 a.m. Duplicate bridge, 7 p.m.
Tuesday: Foot clinic, 9 a.m. Knitters Anonymous, 10:30 a.m. Blood pressure, 12:30 a.m. Bingo, 1 p.m.
Wednesday: Board meeting, 8:30 a.m. Fit and Fall Proof, 10 a.m. Arts and crafts, 1 p.m.
Thursday: Movie "Wuthering Heights," starring Charlotte Reilly and Tom Hardy, 1 p.m.; \$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. Medicare Part D assistance: Kitty Andrews at 677-4872, ext. 2, for appointments.

MENUS:

Monday: Pork chops
Tuesday: Sloppy Joe
Wednesday: Birthday and anniversary, turkey dinner
Thursday: Baked potato with toppings
Friday: Chicken or fish

ACTIVITIES:

Monday: Pinochle, 1 to 3:30 p.m.
Wednesday: Pinochle, 1 to 3:30 p.m.

Friday: Pinochle, 1 to 3:30 p.m. Bingo, 7 p.m.; \$7 and \$11 packets; 25 cents and \$1 games.
Saturday: Breakfast buffet, 7 to 10:30 a.m.; \$6 per person or \$3 for children 10 and under.

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:

Tuesday: Stew and sandwich
Wednesday: Oven-baked chicken
Thursday: Ham and beans
Friday: Chicken enchiladas

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
Movie, 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:

Tuesday: Ham loaf
Thursday: Swiss steak

ACTIVITIES:

Monday: Fit and Fall Proof exercise, 10:30 a.m. Potluck, 6 p.m.
Thursday: Fit and Fall Proof, 10:30 a.m.
Friday: TOPS, 9 a.m. Cardio, 1 p.m.
Saturday: Pancake breakfast, 7:30 p.m.

Richfield Senior Center

130 S. Main, Richfield. Lunch at noon. Suggested donation: \$3.50, seniors; \$5.50, under 60.

MENUS:

Monday: Meatloaf
Thursday: Hot dogs and soup

Kids and medicine: Swallow this

The Washington Post

Got a sick kid? Parents magazine makes getting your child to take their medicine an easy task. When there's less drama about getting them to swallow, you can focus on what's most important: the correct dose at the correct time.

● **Put on a happy face.** Kids can pick up on negative tone and body language. So, act like "medicine time" is an enjoyable experience but be honest. Don't lie to them and say the medicine will taste good if it doesn't. If they're able to understand (age 3 or older), explain that the medicine will make them feel better.

● **Bypass taste buds or disguise the taste.** Kids will often spit out medicine that doesn't taste good. Even if your child is old enough to drink from a cup, use a syringe or dropper (be sure the dosage is correct). Or, for just a few extra dollars, have your pharmacist add a flavor (such as banana or watermelon) to prescription drugs.

● **Get help from your doctor.** Kids sometimes have a harder time with liquid medication. Ask the doctor if chewables are an option.

STORK REPORT

St. Luke's Magic Valley Medical Center

Maliah Rayn Norris, daughter of Chandi Chennae Yurivilca of Jerome, was born Dec. 28, 2009.

Nicole Lee Watson, daughter of Erinn Nicole and Michael Edward Watson of Wendell, was born Dec. 31, 2009.

Ian Kent Jorgensen, son of Jennifer Lee and Bryan Kent Jorgensen of Twin Falls, was born Jan. 3, 2010.

Kennedy Elise Konkright, daughter of Christena Lynn and Ty Konkright of Twin Falls, was born Jan. 4, 2010.

Allysen Rae Bleeker, daughter of Kami Le Stiles and Brendan Wayne Theodore Bleeker of Twin Falls, was born Jan. 4, 2010.

Jordyn Saphire McCoy, daughter of Grace Beth and Gary James McCoy Jr. of Twin Falls, was born Jan. 5, 2010.

Elyzah Corynn James, daughter of Shawna Michelle and William Alfredo James of Jerome, was born Jan. 5, 2010.

Chris Eduardo Garcia Zarate, son of Sofia Zarate Hernandez and Crispin Garcia Munoz of Jerome,

was born Jan. 6, 2010.

Trevor Grant Marshall, son of Jessica Anne and Riley Glen Marshall of Twin Falls, was born Jan. 6, 2010.

Violet Rain Newbry, daughter of Jenny Marie and Christopher Ryan Newbry of Twin Falls, was born Jan. 6, 2010.

Sierra Madison Riddle, daughter of Julie Lee and Shane Craig Riddle of Twin Falls, was born Jan. 6, 2010.

Breanna Maria Grisenti, daughter of Sarah and Levi Jared Grisenti of Jerome, was born Jan. 7, 2010.

Jacob Warren Hillier, son of Sarah Louise and Bruce Kenneth Hillier of Twin Falls, was born Jan. 7, 2010.

Killian Gabriel Watters, son of Aundrea Jean Irvin and Ryan Anthony Watters of Twin Falls, was born Jan. 7, 2010.

Kaylee Elizabeth McCauley, daughter of Delia Jean and John Patrick McCauley of Twin Falls, was born Jan. 8, 2010.

Lilly Therese Plein, daughter of Laura Leigh and Michael John Plein of Kimberly, was born Jan. 9, 2010.

Raider James Reese, son of Brooklyn Danielle and John Thomas Reese of Twin Falls, was born Jan. 9, 2010.

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In with the new

We have begun a new decade, and this has forced me to look back on the old — to remember, to analyze, to find significance in the good and the bad.

I made a startling realization during this process. The past decade has been, and probably always will be, the most monumental decade of my life. In January 2000, I was single and in college. My life then in no way resembles my life now. My husband and I knew each other; we were co-workers and friends but had not yet been on our first date. I was eight months away from my college degree, wondering what the future held.

As it turns out, it held a lot ... I got that degree, got married, my husband got his degree. We moved, worked, had our first child, moved again, my husband started law school, we had our second child. We survived on no money, no sleep and no time. We spent two summers away from our tiny student apartment; one here in Twin Falls, one in Washington, D.C. We had a miscarriage. We had our third child. My husband finished school. We moved again. A lifelong career began. We bought our first house. We bought a dog. We now survive on a little more money, still no sleep and even less time.

All that, and much more, in only 10 years. It went too fast.



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AP photo
Debra Herrera, left, and Johnathan Beam laugh during a premarital class offered by First Things First in Chattanooga, Tenn., in December. The two-week course prepares couples for marriage.

Having the money conversations before the wedding pays off

By Melissa Kossler Dutton
For The Associated Press

When Missy Gillen met her future husband, Mike, she hadn't given much thought to a rainy day fund or investing money. But as the Westlake, Ohio, couple got serious, she started paying attention to their finances, something Mike Gillen encouraged.

"We're both very aware of our goals," said Missy, who married in July, but not before creating a budget and starting to save for a house.

Talking about money before marriage is essential for wedded bliss, according to financial experts, since it can eliminate a lot of surprises and arguments. Conversation can help a couple understand each other's financial standing, spending habits and savings goals.

Financial stress is one of the main causes of divorce, said Gail Cunningham, spokeswoman for the National Foundation for Credit Counseling, in Silver Spring, Md.

"People bring financial baggage into a relationship and often don't deal with it until problems arise," she said.

Many newlyweds do not foresee that money can be an issue, added Julie Baumgardner, executive director of First Things First, which offers financial education classes to couples in Chattanooga, Tenn.

"It's not a topic that people tend to put a lot of weight on," she said. "Learning how to manage your money together is a big deal."

These experts and Denver-based financial counselor Taffy Wagner offered some tips for addressing finances before exchanging wedding vows:

1. Sit down with your partner and discuss your finances. Bring copies of your credit score; pay stubs; credit card bills; details about loans, child support payments or debt; and any other relevant financial information. This will help both parties develop a picture of their financial responsibilities after marriage.

2. Examine one another's credit scores. If one person's score is below 700, consider keeping your finances separate. Work as a couple to help the person with the low credit score improve it by paying off debt and taking care of overdue bills. Do not apply for any joint credit cards. Instead, put the cards in the name of the person

with good credit and make the other person an authorized user.

3. Decide which of you will be in charge of managing the money and paying bills. It's important to develop a system so the bills are paid on time. Make sure the other partner has a basic understanding of the system and is aware of all bank accounts and investments.

4. Develop a budget the two of you can live on. Make sure allocations for groceries, clothing, etc., are reasonable. No more than one-third of your gross income should go toward a mortgage. Don't spend more than 25 percent of your gross income on rent.

5. Set limits on spending. Determine how much money you are comfortable spending without consulting your spouse. For example, agree to discuss any purchase over \$100, \$500 or \$1,000.


6. Find out how your partner handles unexpected expenses, and decide whether you agree with the approach. After you're married, you may decide that turning to mom and dad or using a credit card to cover emergencies is unacceptable.

7. Agree to create an emergency fund. Financial experts recommend setting aside enough money to cover living expenses for three to six months. Start by setting aside 10 percent of your paycheck.

8. Develop a policy about lending money. Decide whether you would be willing to give a loan to a friend or relative. If you're comfortable doing that, discuss whether you would charge interest and how much you could afford to lend. Always put the details of a loan in writing.

9. Discuss whether one of you will stay home after the birth of a child. If that is a goal, start planning how you could live on one income.

10. Share details about the way your parents ran their household. Did they employ a housekeeper, landscaper or other help that you would expect in your household? Was charitable giving or religious tithing an important part of your upbringing, and what are your attitudes toward it?



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Gowns

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such as feathers, to keep costs down, but there wasn't an industry-wide movement toward gowns on the cheap, the insiders said.

"When I try to think of one overriding theme, it's that brides still want the options for the wedding they want to have," said Darcy Miller, editorial director of Martha Stewart Weddings. And of course, she added, each bride wants a different kind of wedding; it's a traditional, formal blowout for one, a more casual beach bash for another.

"Because of the economic climate, a lot of brides are willing to get a DJ instead of a band, do it on Sunday instead of a Saturday night, but they still have the wedding and still have the dream of what they wanted their dress to be," Miller said.

Designer Monique Lhuillier said she feels almost protective when crafting wedding gowns, which is different than the trendsetter role she might play when working on red-carpet gowns or ready-to-wear clothes.

"It's a wedding, a celebration, a new life, a new love, a new chapter. I'm honored to be a part of it and rework the dress to make sure it's perfect in my own eye," said Lhuillier.

"I thought about the ultimate bride and how much we could give her," said another designer, Reem Acra. "The perfect look is that she wants to stay young, stay fresh and be able to travel with the dress."

Acra captured modern and airy silhouettes influenced by a trip to Japan, where she was impressed with gardens, Zen and an aesthetic of purity.

There's no "flash" in the gowns, Acra explained, since she was aiming for a sweeter sort of beauty, when a bride gets caught up in the romance of the occasion.

"You want the bride to feel like she's getting married — that it's pure and real," she said. "After all, you're not getting married to throw a party or even to wear the dress. You are getting married to get married — for you, for him, for the both of you — and these dresses are supposed to reflect that."

Trends are barely a blip on Nicole Miller's radar as



Models wear bridal wear at the Kirstie Kelly for Disney's Fairy Tale Weddings fashion show in New York in October.

AP photos

she does her bridal collection; never mind that she also designs fashion-forward cocktail frocks.

A good, flattering gown that can be worn by different ages and body types is another story, though. "If I have a really good-selling evening gown, I'll do a version for bridal because I already know the silhouette is selling. I might add beading or longer train," she said.

Her favorite from her new collection is a crushed metal-taffeta dress with a pleated bottom and tucks up the front.

What brides want most is to look fantastic, and what they think about is how gowns flatter their figure and appear in photographs, Nicole Miller said. That's why corsets sell so well in bridal, she added with a laugh.

Michael Shettel, designer of the Alfred Angelo collection, said sleek and slim is one popular direction for brides; the other, at the



Bridal fashion by Nicole Miller, at a fashion show in New York.

opposite end of the spectrum, is the modern ballgown.

"We approached this season with the inspiration of jazz on a summer's day," said Shettel, who watched a 1958 documentary about the Newport Jazz Festival as part of his process. "What

was striking was how modern the casual sort of dresses looked in 1958 with the juxtaposition of the jazz-world glamour."

The way to find the perfect dress, he said, is to try it on and see how it moves, because movement brings the dress alive.

Cooking Class Schedule

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Wednesday, January 27, 7-9p, \$40

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With Chef Randy King
Thursday, February 18, 7-9p, \$45

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"Rebellious Carpet Baker"

Answer:

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SPECIAL WEDDING EDITION

Planning a perfect wedding — in 3 months

By **Nekesa Mumbi Moody**
Associated Press writer

NEW YORK — Soon after I got engaged last summer, my well-meaning BFF pulled me aside and said, “I think you’re making a big mistake.” Her concern had nothing to do with my intended, but my intentions: planning a full-scale wedding, with bridal party, sit-down dinner, DJ and more, in under three months. Now, I know most guidebooks and bridal Web sites insist that you take at least a year, sometimes 18 months, to pull off the perfect ceremony. Some talk about a six-month audition period for florists alone. But with my fiance and I both in our 30s and wanting to get the whole “spend the rest of our lives together” thing started, it seemed a waste of precious time to wait a whole year.

So instead of planning to get married in July 2010, a year from our engagement, we decided on October — 2009. When we told people our plans, they were so shocked they often expected to hear a second, follow-up announcement — but no, there was no baby on the way. My friend — that same BFF — had just gotten married a few months earlier, in an elaborate destination wedding in Miami that took a professional planner more than a year to coordinate. She was adamant that I wouldn’t have enough time to pull it off, and even if I did, I would be too stressed to enjoy it. And it was stressful at times — but it was the kind of stress I would have had even with 18 months to plan. Looking back, I now know you don’t need a year to pull off a dream wedding. Of course, you can’t waste a day. You have to start planning from the moment he slips the ring on your finger (and truthfully, if you’ve been talking about getting married, maybe even a little before that). As soon as my fiance and I picked out my engagement ring, we started scouting places for a ceremony. We knew we wanted about 100

guests, a sit-down dinner with dancing later, at a nice place but not-so-expensive price. At a few venues, we got raised eyebrows when we said we were looking at the weekend of Oct. 9. But no one said they were completely booked. Every place we went had at least one day that weekend available, and some of the larger reception halls had more than one room. Friday nights were cheaper than Saturdays, and Sunday was an option as well. It took us just two weeks to lock down our place, an ornate facility that also included a separate hall for our ceremony. They offered a cocktail hour, formal dinner and open bar, all for one price (wedding cake included!). Getting a florist also wasn’t difficult. I didn’t start looking seriously until mid-August, and it was not until September that I chose. Again, everyone — from the pricey florist in the famous flower market in Manhattan to the neighborhood florist in Brooklyn, where I live — was willing to work with my short timeline. We got our invitations done quickly and inexpensively at a local stationery store, and had no need for save-the-date cards. My biggest hurdle, it turned out, would be the



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Groom Malik Singleton with bridesmaids, from left, Deborah Skinner, Alicia Quarles, Ikimulisa Livingston and Audra Ang in October.



Bride Nekesa Mumbi Moody, left, listens to instructions from friend and wedding coordinator Amber Quarles in October.

dress. When I said I was getting married in three months, most bridal salons I went to acted as if I’d said I wanted a bright orange gown. One salon refused an appointment. “We can’t help you unless you are getting married in December,” the person there huffed. Of course, dresses were available for a price. I was told I’d have to pay a rush fee if I ordered a gown. And even then, the sales assistants laced the offer with anxiety, saying the dress “should” be available for my wedding, but offering no

real guarantees. With so many dress shops with samples available, I figured I would be able to find something white and nice enough for my big day. The stress came when I realized I didn’t like most of those gowns. I started to reach full-panic mode when August came and I still had no dress. Luckily, a ray of sunshine called Kleinfeld’s Blowout Sale saved me: The store made (more) famous by the TLC show “Say Yes to the Dress” had offered some of their designer gowns at hugely reduced prices, and

that’s where I found an amazing Romona Keveza dress that normally retailed for about \$4,000 for \$800. Though it had to be altered, which cost another \$700 and some drama (word to the wise: Do not choose just any seamstress to alter your dress; I had to have my alterations redone after gambling on a bootleg seamstress first), it was an amazing gown at an amazing price that I wouldn’t have gotten had I ordered six months in advance. The gowns for my bridesmaids also promised to be a headache, but instead of try-

ing to order one from a bridal store, I simply looked online at Nordstrom, found the prettiest evening dress in a color I thought would work and told each of them to order it ASAP. At \$150, it was cheaper than most bridesmaids’ gowns, and might stand a better chance of being worn again. On some details we were blessed with good fortune. My fiance’s cousin is a minister and did the ceremony for travel costs; my fiance’s friend is a photographer who was paid only the price of his plane ticket. One of my bridesmaids made our wedding favors (personalized CDs), and my BFF’s sister, an event planner, acted as my coordinator for the rehearsal and ceremony. One friend with excellent handwriting did the place cards, and my mother-in-law designed our photo album-themed guest book and the broom for us to jump over, part of African-American tradition. Another of my husband’s friends (I married well) gave us the gift of a DJ and videographer. We did a candy station for guests, picking up the goodies from a candy store and the clear jars at Target. While I did have help and luck, I have no doubt that any bride could pull off what I did in less than a year.

Planning

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It helps that Aaron’s mother, Jean Phillips, plans events for a living and owns Cameo Special Events & Party Rentals in Burley. Still, there are a lot of decisions that Ashley and Aaron need to make. “It’s kinda hard,” Ashley said. She talks to her fiance up to three hours a night, chatting about the upcoming wedding while catching up on daily events. Aaron works 60 hours a week between two jobs, and she goes to school, so they see each other only once every two weeks. Aaron has a lot of opinions about the reception after seeing weddings his mom helped put together. He often helped set up decorative pillars and chairs. “I was always right in the middle of the action it seems like,” he said. The experience helped him decide what he wanted at his own reception: chocolate fountains, tents with false ceilings and a rustic look. One of the biggest challenges was making Ashley’s wishes clear from two hours away. Jean doesn’t push anything onto Ashley and gave her and Aaron complete control over the decorations, but the distance posed a problem. “It was kind of hard to communicate back and forth what exactly my colors were and what she had in her place, at Cameo,” Ashley said. So 2 1/2 weeks

ago, Ashley traveled to Rupert to sit down and finalize some plans. “It just all worked out better once I went down there,” she said. Ashley and Jean decided on lantern centerpieces, decorative backdrops and the event colors: olive and brown with hints of peach, which fits well with Aaron’s rustic theme. Along with the chocolate bar, the couple will celebrate their marriage with a drink bar, a candy buffet and kabob-themed hors d’oeuvres. Four tents will fill the Rupert Stake Center: one with dancing, two with food and one “movie theater” to feature a slide show with pictures of Aaron and Ashley growing up. “I just thought that was so pretty — having a false ceiling, and the many different lights and different stuff like that,” Aaron said. Although everything is coming together, Aaron sometimes feels overwhelmed with how much is left to do. “It seems like there’s not enough time in a day to get enough done,” Aaron said. But after the receptions are over and the chocolate fountains run dry, the only things that will matter are the rings on their left hands and the vows recited in the temple. *Melissa Davlin may be reached at 208-735-3234 or melissa.davlin@lee.net.*

Slideshows can put a personal stamp on a wedding

By **Amy Lorentzen**
For The Associated Press

Jennifer Cocchiara wants guests at her wedding next November to understand how she and her fiance fell in love, so she plans to present a slideshow with photos of them growing up and growing together as a couple. It also will include shots of the people who are important to the couple — the people who will be viewing the photos. “We want it to be more interactive for the guests and interactive for all of us — it’s a group celebration,” said Cocchiara, of Ewing, N.J. Slideshows have become common at weddings. Experts say they must be done properly to succeed, but are generally a fun and simple way to personalize the day and help guests get to know the couple better. “It’s an extra way to remind you, as a guest, where you are and how special it is you are there,” said Anja Winikka, editor of TheKnot.com, a wedding planning Web site. A slideshow can be included in any part of the wedding weekend — rehearsal dinner, cocktail hour, post-wedding brunch or reception, she said. If a couple is uncomfortable stopping the festivities to show the slideshow, it can be played in the background, on a loop, for guests to view at their leisure. Some couples run a slideshow on digital photo frames near the



AP photo
Videographer Cameron Carpenter works on a wedding slideshow at his home in Gilbert, Ariz.

guest book or even in the restroom area. Winikka cautions that slideshows should be “crafted in a meaningful manner.” They should be organized chronologically or by theme, and should feature photos that don’t embarrass anyone and are appropriate for guests young and old. The equipment used to display them should be tested beforehand to avoid any glitches. And, Winikka agrees, there should be photos of more people than just the bride and groom. “It’s great to see pictures of the two of you, but (guests) really are there to enjoy themselves with your friends and family, not just the two of you,” she said. Photo slideshows can be created through various Web sites, for free or a small fee, and on common computer

software such as Microsoft PowerPoint. You can rent a projector or audio visual equipment to show it. Couples may create the slideshow themselves, or let a family member or friend do it. For those who aren’t good with computers, professional photographers can craft a slideshow that features artfully edited photographs and video clips. Rates can run from hundreds to thousands of dollars. Phoenix videographer and disc jockey Cameron Carpenter, owner of Three Oceans Entertainment, says it can take a few days in the studio for him to put together a wedding slideshow. Some of his clients choose to tell only their love story, while others include photos of themselves growing up as well. “It’s a neat way to watch somebody grow up right in

front of your eyes, and that’s the big appeal for it,” he said. “For out-of-town relatives ... it kind of fills in those gaps.” Some wedding planners are against the whole idea. Cristina Verger, owner of Cristina Verger’s Tasty Thoughts, a high-end wedding planning and event design service in New York and the Hamptons, said she’s never done a photo slideshow at a wedding. “I would discourage it actually because a slideshow, no matter how short, it really requires everyone’s attention, and you are interrupting,” she said. “... You have to stop to make everyone sit down and pay attention to the slideshow, which is kind of an imposition to your guests.” If a couple feels strongly about including a slideshow, Verger said she would suggest it be shown with no sound during the cocktail hour. Carpenter and Winikka agreed that slideshows should complement the wedding activities, not make everything come to a standstill or delay the dinner, dancing or speeches. Both said that a good time for viewing is during dinner. “Before the fast eaters are done and starting to mingle around again, there’s a nice window there,” Carpenter said. Slideshows also should be no more than 10 or 15 minutes, he and Winikka said.

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HER SPECIAL DAY – AND THEIRS TOO

By Diana Marszalek
For The Associated Press

As a babysitter and church schoolteacher, Liliana Galicia had no qualms about having children attend her September wedding.

In fact, Galicia, a 23-year-old from New Rochelle, N.Y., embraced the idea, incorporating about 40 young guests, mostly relatives, in the festivities. Kids — who ranged from 2 weeks old to 15 — got pizza, crayons and crafts, and many of them got a spot in the wedding party to boot.

“I told German (her husband) that it’s going to be a little chaotic but it’s worth it,” Galicia said, adding that she was not concerned about the kids’ behavior “as long as they didn’t destroy anything that was not mine.”

Getting married was a chance for “a family moment,” she said. “I really think that my family deserved to be there and that I deserved to have my family.”

Although modern brides are sometimes caricatured as selfish “bridezillas,” there are many who believe that weddings are about celebrating family and community rather than simply being the belle of the ball.

It’s an idea that is both traditional and, in some cases, trendy. For Galicia, who moved here from Guatemala, giving extended family a voice in the wedding has roots in her home country and culture. Other couples come to the same conclusion for personal, as opposed to traditional, reasons. They might hope to turn the focus of the day toward a cause or charity, or reach out to relatives, even including them on the honeymoon.

“There are so many ways for brides to involve their families or communities in their wedding day,” said Karry Castillo, a Central Florida wedding planner. “We



Liliana Galicia poses with her husband, German Galicia, in their New Rochelle, N.Y., home. The couple married in September, and Liliana had no qualms about having children attend her wedding.

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— Araceli Ulloa, whose family helps out Latino couples getting married

Either way, the idea is that communities pool resources to help out when friends or family need it most. Being asked to be a sponsor is considered an honor.

“It’s with people that you feel close to and comfortable,” Ulloa said.

“It makes me feel special. I know I will be able to count on them, and they know that I will be there for them anytime.”

For Tami Mount, of Larchmont, N.Y., being included in her cousin’s North Carolina post-wedding weekend felt special too.

The cousins grew up sharing vacations on the Outer Banks, so Mount’s cousin and his bride asked the extended family to stay with them for a weekend at the beach after their wedding.

Rekindling those family beach vacations — with a new member to boot — gave special meaning to the wedding for Mount.

“We were honored and thrilled to get called back to our playground for a week together,” said Mount, whose husband and daughter also joined.

“Our parents still got the best rooms in the house, but at least the newlyweds didn’t have to sleep in bunk beds,” she said. “They didn’t care that we brought along our babies — it was the making of new memories to mix with the old that they wanted!”

really encourage our clients to think outside the traditional wedding box.”

One couple with whom Castillo worked invited guests to go with them on a post-wedding Caribbean cruise. Another client, an avid runner, invited friends to take part in a charity run leading up to her wedding day.

The stress of planning a wedding can easily bring out primadonna behavior, Castillo said; sharing or doling out responsibilities to friends and family can help, emotionally and also financially.

One Mexican-American community in Los Angeles, for example, keeps alive a longstanding Mexican tradition by pitching in to cover wedding costs.

Acting as “padrino” or “madrina” — Spanish for godfather and godmother, or sponsor — family or friends take on a range of responsibilities, providing and paying for parts of the festivities including food, photos and the couple’s



Bride Liliana Galiciam, with a couple of her little guests, rides in a Hummer limo.

clothing, said Araceli Ulloa, 19, of Los Angeles, whose family often helps couples in such ways.

The custom, which also applies to other big events, can take differ-

ent forms depending on the people involved, Ulloa said. In one case, a bride or groom’s family may ask close friends or relatives for help. In another, people offer first

Bridal magazines feel squeeze

By Dan Sewell
Associated Press writer

Soon after her husband-to-be popped the question, Carolyn Zimatore found herself with time on her hands in an airport. She was irresistibly drawn to the rack of thick, glossy magazines depicting wedding fashions, floral arrangements and advice for the big day ahead.

“My flight was delayed, and it is one of those things you do in the period when you’re engaged,” said the 27-year-old New Yorker. “It was a rite of passage!”

However, Zimatore, who was wed in June, found that while the magazines she bought and received as gifts were “fun to look at,” she got most of her wedding information over the next year at online sites, from message boards and by attending other people’s nuptials.

“Most of my ideas came from going to other weddings and seeing what I liked and didn’t like,” she said.

Bride-focused magazines are battling for the attention of savvy consumers at the same time that the recession is eroding advertising bases.

Besides proliferating online wedding sites, there is a growing number of regional or local print magazines that list vendors and planning resources, said an expert on magazines.



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Millie Martini Bratten, editor of Brides magazine, poses in her New York office.



Brides magazines are displayed at the magazine’s offices in New York.

ing Modern Bride, that she received as gifts before her October wedding. “I felt like they were very stereotypical, and I’m not that person,” she said. She found that friends who were married or preparing to get married were her best resources.

But Husni thinks there will always be a role for some bridal magazines as a starting point for getting information.

“They are the gatekeepers. They say, ‘I know what you’re looking for,’” he said.

Conde Nast will double Brides’ publication rate this

rate, from twice to four times a year.

“There will be a general contraction to a certain degree,” said David Liu, CEO of The Knot Inc. “The publishers that have less-efficient models will probably accelerate in their declines. This is an unforgiving market right now!”

Liu co-founded The Knot with partners including his wife in 1996 after planning their own wedding led them to see a market for an online wedding resource site. While The Knot.com now boasts 4 to 5 million visitors a month, he sees a continuing market for print magazines that are easier to haul around than a laptop.

“I think bridal magazines will definitely be around 10 years from now, just because of the nature of the event,” he said. “Meeting their girlfriends at a cafe to show them photos of dresses; or curling up in bed with a magazine to go over honeymoon plans!”

Millie Martini Bratten, editor in chief of Brides, sees the magazine as increasingly relevant as a trusted guide amid the onslaught of information. The magazine estimates readership of a given issue at 6 million because of high pass-along rates among wedding party members and family.

“The magazine has always been a vehicle of relaxation, fantasy, ideas, advice, sparking creativity,” she said.

Brides has expanded its online presence, and uses social media such as Twitter and Facebook. Martini Bratten said the magazine reviews Web sites and offers recommendations on online resources and services.

“We’re about the total picture,” she said. “We see us as a great place to start to get your ideas together, to get your framework together.”


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TERRA COTTA WARRIORS

An ancient emperor's toys on display at Washington museum



By Michael O'Sullivan
The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — Imagine the world's coolest and most collectible set of action figures. Now, picture them life-size.

That's sort of what's on display at the National Geographic Museum, where an exhibition of 15 ghostly clay figures from China is part of a make-believe army of warriors and others created to protect and entertain China's first emperor after he died. Why was Qin Shihuangdi (pronounced "chin she-hwong-dee") so determined to take his toys with him in the afterlife? Maybe because he was only 13 years old when the whole project got started, more than 2,200 years ago. That's when the kid first became a king and when his subjects started planning his funeral. Creepy, right?

A more likely explanation is this: Qin Shihuangdi figured that if you needed it in this life — and a ruler definitely needs a few bodyguards — he'd probably need it in the next life. Here's some other interesting facts about "Terra Cotta Warriors: Guardians of China's First Emperor."

No two figures are alike. Of the 7,000 statues found underground by farmers in 1974, 1,000 have been dug up from the four pits (the largest of which is the size of two football fields). Guess what? Each one is different. Different face. Different hair. Different clothes. Different job. In addition to nine war-

riors, the show includes a musclemán, two musicians, a stableboy and a horse. There's a jumbo-size head on one general.

Humpty Dumpty had it easy. When the warriors were accidentally discovered, many of them were in pieces. Each one can take up to a year to put back together. Once they were put on display, some even got fungus on their terra cotta "skin." Fortunately, there's a special cream for that, developed in the 1990s by Johnson & Johnson. Yes, the people who make diaper-rash ointment.

Never a dull moment. The emperor wasn't just afraid of his enemies. He was also afraid of getting bored. Besides taking musicians to pass the time — Qin Shihuangdi's answer to the iPod — the emperor brought bronze birds, versions of the dancing cranes he kept as pets. They probably would have been found next to one of several fake underground rivers, made of mercury, meant to be like the parks and recreation areas of his real-life kingdom.

Where are all the weapons? For an army, there sure wasn't much military hardware found in the pits. Here's why: Shortly after the emperor died, peasants raided the pits, using the weapons to overthrow his successors.

Can't think of everything. Qin Shihuangdi brought money, kitchen supplies and building materials with him. He even took clay stableboys to take care of his clay horses. One thing he forgot? Women and girls. Everyone of the unearthed statues is a dude.

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A view of the final chamber in the 'Terra Cotta Warriors' exhibit at the National Geographic Museum in Washington.

Five cool facts about Leonardo da Vinci

By Tracy Grant
The Washington Post

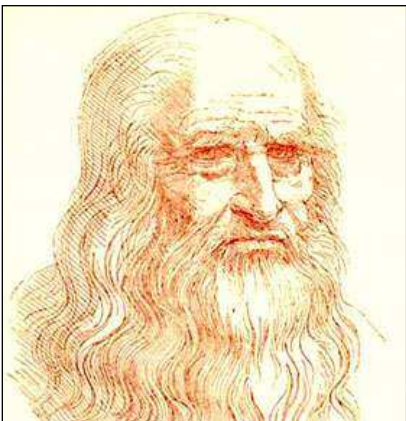
What do you think of when someone says "Leonardo da Vinci"?

If you answered "old, dead-guy painter" or "my mom's reading a book about his code," we understand.

But what if we challenged you to spend five minutes reading five cool facts about da Vinci? We bet you would never think of him in the same way again.

FIVE AMAZING FACTS ABOUT DA VINCI

1. He wrote backward, so the easiest way to read his notes was to hold them up to a mirror. It's not clear why he did that, but da Vinci filled notebook after notebook with sketches and backward writing. About 6,000 pages of his notes still exist.
2. He was fascinated by the human body, and he cut up cadavers (dead bodies) to learn about human anatomy. Around the year 1487, he made a famous drawing called



Vitruvian Man. It shows off da Vinci's interests in art and science. The drawing illustrated several observations on the nature of an adult man's body. See if they hold true for you:

- **The palm** is the width of four fingers.
- **The length** of a man's foot is one-sixth of his height.
- **The length** of a man's outspread arms is the same as his height.
- 3. He was as much an inventor as an artist. Though he never built many of the inventions he designed, some of the things he envisioned in the late

- 1400s are in use today, including helicopters and parachutes. Da Vinci was obsessed with war, and he sketched an armored vehicle that could carry eight men inside and allow them to fire weapons through holes in its walls. He drew and wrote about what we today call tanks more than 400 years before they were first used in combat during World War I.
2. Da Vinci, one of the greatest artists in human history, lived at the same time, in the same country — Italy — as another of the greatest artists of all time, Michelangelo. But the two were not buddies; instead, they were bitter rivals. They even insulted each other in public. Think Red Sox vs. Yankees.
 1. Mona Lisa — yep, the lady with the smile, perhaps the most famous painting in the world — is the work of da Vinci. If you look closely at her face, you'll see that she has neither eyelashes nor eyebrows. In reality, da Vinci probably painted her with them, but in the 500 years since, they have worn away or were removed during attempts to restore the portrait.



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Tessa Hill, upper right, poses with her children Charles, left, Jazy, center, and Lia while holding a picture of her husband, Ned, at their home in The Woodlands, Texas. Hill and her children spent 13 months traveling across North America, Central America and Europe to further her children's education in people, cultures and language. The photo of Ned went with them, for the times he was at work in Houston.

Family global treks a real-world education

By Linda Stewart Ball
Associated Press writer

DALLAS — When Carla Fisher and her husband announced plans to travel the globe with their adolescent daughters for a year, some friends called them crazy.

Seven years later, with wonderful memories and a book documenting their world trek, the Fishers now seem like global trailblazers.

Despite a recession that may have limited the number of U.S. students traveling abroad in exchange programs, some parents are going out of their way to make sure their children have extended international experiences.

"It's really encouraging to hear that there are a lot of other people who want to educate their kids in that manner," said Fisher, an environmental biologist in suburban Houston.

Some parents are trying to raise enlightened "world citizens," young Americans who aren't caught up in the race to acquire more stuff. Others want to give their children the skills they'll need to compete globally.

"You always want your kids to be ahead of the crowd," said Christopher Holtby, who works in Dallas and commutes to Mexico where his family moved temporarily in August so their three sons could become bilingual.

Tuition for their private school in Mexico is \$200 a month, per child — a fraction of what it would cost them in the states.

"This is a global world," Holtby said. "My wife and I understand that if we can give our kids some exposure they'll have more options."

No one knows exactly how many American families are choosing the global education path — about 2,000 U.S. secondary school students studied abroad in exchange programs in 2008, according to the Council on Standards for International Educational Travel.

But global education consultants say a growing number of parents are traveling for a year or more with their children, in part because technology makes it easy for them to work from anywhere.

"There is a tremendous amount of interest in spending time abroad at all stages of life ... and increasingly, as a family with children," said Maya Frost, author of "The New Global Student: Skip the SAT, Save Thousands on Tuition and Get a Truly International Education." She knows American families in every corner of the globe who have made that choice.

She and her husband left their Portland, Ore., suburb for adventures in Mexico and Argentina with their four teenage daughters in 2005.

"The old model of the expatriate family — corporate transfers and diplomats — is still an option, but the new global families are more likely to be moving abroad independently and creating their own work for themselves," said Frost.

Some families who opt for

nomadic education are former Peace Corps volunteers, are children of immigrants, have adopted a child from overseas or simply suffer from wanderlust. Computers enable them to continue working while they're traveling, and homeschooling makes it easier to pluck children out of traditional schools for some real-world learning.

"There's so much more to education than school," said Tessa Hill, who recently returned to her Houston-area home, after driving her family across North America, Central America and Europe in a motor home for 13 months. "World travel is an education in people, cultures, in language, in travel skills, street smarts and in how lucky we are to live in the United States."

When Hill and her husband began considering extended global travel, their middle child, Charles, 13, was skeptical. "My first reaction was 'well, are we really going to do this?'" Charles said. "But it did sound like great fun."

Charles said missing his buddies was the hardest part. He stayed in touch via e-mail and made some new friends along the way, playing soccer with kids in France and learning about rugby from youths in Ireland.

The tasty and varied cuisine of other lands was another unexpected joy the seventh-grader extols.

"I'd definitely recommend this to other kids," Charles said. "It was such a great opportunity to see different countries and learn geography a different way."

To make re-entry smoother, most school officials prefer that families work out an educational plan before they leave town. Sometimes tests are given to determine grade-level placement or subject mastery upon return.

While studying, living or traveling abroad for a year isn't for everyone, it is no longer limited to the rich. Fisher said she and her husband began saving for their trek when their two daughters were really young.

While away, tenants covered their mortgage and the Fishers stayed in hostels and inexpensive apartments, shopped in local markets and prepared their own food.

Fisher said their 13-month international sojourn cost about \$100,000 in 2001-02 with transportation.

"The biggest obstacle for those seriously considering going abroad is dealing with those who are against the idea," said Frost.

Parents say the benefits to their children outweigh inconveniences.

"They gain the ability to take risks and to have confidence in themselves," said Liz Perelstein, founder of New York-based School Choice International, a global education consulting firm.

"When we came home (from being expatriates in London), my daughter, who had been painfully shy before we left, said 'Mom, now I know there's nothing I can't do.'"