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Mammoth discovery

T.F. resident finds possibly millennia-old fossil

By Blair Koch
Times-News correspondent

A mammoth's femur has become Scott McKinney's find of a lifetime.

On Sunday, McKinney unveiled the fossil, displayed on his family's dining room table, to a small gathering of family and friends at his Twin Falls home.

"He's our explorer," said Twin Falls resident Diane Hamilton, McKinney's mother. "He has good eyes."

The small group clung to the 42-year-old McKinney's tale of how he gathered the relic, found outside of Casper, Wyo., on Jan. 23.

"I was looking for fossils on my day off in the area I grew up in," McKinney said. "I remembered there were some petrified trees in the area and thought it would be a good place to start. I found some smaller stuff but in the afternoon came across a bone and fragments, lying on top of the ground."

He said there was more fossilized bone protruding from the ground, but he gathered what could easily be picked up, believing he had uncovered the remains of a dinosaur.

"I took the bones back to my hotel room and started piecing it together," he said. "During the next days I visited various museums, trying to figure out what kind of dinosaur it was."

He returned to Twin Falls last week and decided to

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BLAIR KOCH/For the Times-News

On Sunday, Twin Falls resident Scott McKinney showed a small gathering of friends and family what is believed to be a Columbian mammoth femur, shown here. The animal is believed to have become extinct more than 10,000 years ago. McKinney said he discovered the fossil around Casper, Wyo., and will deliver it to the Casper College Tate Geological Museum, which plans to see if the site McKinney found the bone at should be excavated.

Twin Falls looking at $30M rec center

Building among long-term parks goals

By Nate Poppino
Times-News writer

The city of Twin Falls may take another serious look at building a community recreation center, one of several goals in a long-range parks and recreation plan passed last month.

The plan, created by the city Parks and Recreation Commission, referred to a goal in the city comprehensive plan to provide residents "access to a combination recreation center and aquatic center, with adjacent park facilities."

Parks Chairman John Bonnett told the City Council Monday evening that he plans to create a subcommittee to look into forming a $30 million center, which he acknowledged would be a challenging project. At a commission meeting on Tuesday he said he may try to identify people to serve on the

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READ a summary of the city's long-range parks and recreation plan.

SCHOOLHOUSE ROCK

ASHLEY SMITH/Times-News

Going Second guitarist and singer Mike Crowder, right, performs Tuesday at Twin Falls High School as the band's tour of Idaho schools through the Music Makes Music program hit Roper Auditorium.

'Music Makes Music' riffs to T.F. students on arts education

By Damon Hunzeker
Times-News writer

Music is about more than jumping off of drum kits in unison with bass thumps, purchasing skin-friendly guitar straps, and praising Chuck Norris.

But a band that performed at Twin Falls High School, ostensibly to encourage music education, did all three very well.

As the five members of Going Second — sponsored by the nonprofit organization Music Makes Music — took the stage Tuesday afternoon in the Roper Auditorium, it was immediately clear that the student body wasn't going to receive a tutorial in the circle of fifths or 12-bar blues.

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Instead, students cheered wildly as the band performed about 45 minutes of nearly indistinguishable pop-rock songs about unrequited love, requited love, and Los Angeles.

Band members hail from California, Montana and Utah, and were making additional stops around the state this month, including shows at Canyon Ridge High School and Robert Stuart Middle School today.

Singer Josh Alfaro said things unusual for a mid-day concert, such as, "This song is about how mean girls are."

He also, while praising the importance of music education, asked if anyone in the crowd played an instrument. He shouted that the band has "been working a friend of ours. You guys may have heard of him — his name is Chuck Norris! Let's give a little noise to Chuck!"

The song that followed was not about martial arts or anything clearly relevant to Norris.

"How many of you guys play the piano at Family Home Evening," Alfaro asked the crowd, many of whom began to cheer before realizing the fist-pump after his question didn't seem sincere.

Schools throughout the nation are struggling with reduced budgets, especially in the arts departments. Music Makes Music, according to its press release, intends to increase music involvement.

Twin Falls Superintendent Wiley Dobbs, however, said that, as music education is cut in other areas of the nation,

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Hiring illegal aliens could result in spilt milk

Bill would penalize businesses hiring illegals

By Ben Botkin
Times-News writer

BOISE — Idaho businesses could lose their licenses if they knowingly hire illegal aliens, under legislation proposed Tuesday in the House State Affairs Committee.

That could mean Magic Valley dairies with suspended licenses would have to dump their milk instead of sell it.

Rep. Phil Hart, R-Hayden, told the committee federal immigration law gives states the authority to penalize violating businesses by suspending their licenses.

Hart's proposal calls for more severe penalties following a businesses' second and third offense within a three-year time frame.

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Snow shuts down federal government, but has anyone noticed?

Effects on services negligible as most federal employees work outside D.C.

By Jessica Gresko
Associated Press writer

WASHINGTON — If snow keeps 230,000 government employees home for the better part of a week, will anyone notice?

With at least another foot of snow headed for Washington, Philadelphia and New York, we're about to find out. The federal government in the nation's capital has largely been shut down since Friday afternoon, when a storm began dumping up to 3 feet of snow in some parts of the region. Offices could remain closed at least through today.

So far, the effects have been negligible. Many essential government services are performed at offices around the country, and about 85 percent of federal employees work outside the Washington region anyway. Others were working from home despite the snow. An IRS spokeswoman said tax returns should not be affected.

"Anything that is critical

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Two-and-a-half year old Mateo Bonome climbs out from inside an igloo in Lincoln Park in the Capitol Hill area of Washington, D.C., Tuesday.

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MORNING BRIEFING

Pat's Picks

Three things to do today

Pat Marcantonio

• For the younger set, namely kids age 9 to 14, registration is open today and Saturday for North Side Cal Ripken and Babe Ruth baseball leagues at Summit Elementary School, 200 10th Ave., Jerome. Information: Chris, 324-3585, or Connie, 324-8588.

• Ready, aim and you know the rest. The Snake River Trap Shooting League season has started. Information: Joe Nelson, 731-1256.

• Still looking for places to ski or snowboard? Try Bogus Basin near Boise. It's gorgeous. Information: bogusbasin.org.

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

TODAY'S HAPPENINGS

BENEFITS AND FUNDRAISERS

Buhl Senior Center Bingo, 7 p.m., West End Senior Center, 1010 Main St., Buhl, $9 minimum, public welcome, 543-4577.

CLUBS AND ORGANIZATIONS

Buhl Kiwanis Club, noon, El Cazador, 113 Broadway Ave. S., 543-6682.

Magic Valley Toastmasters meeting and no-host lunch, assisting members in developing speaking, communication and leadership skills, noon, Idaho Pizza, 1859 Kimberly Road, Twin Falls, visitors welcome, 736-1025.

Twin Falls Lions Club meeting and no-host lunch, noon, Norm's Catering Room, 827 Main Ave. W., Twin Falls, visitors welcome, 737-0240.

Twin Falls Rotary Club meeting and lunch, features variety of speakers from around the communities, noon to 1 p.m., Turf Club, 734 Falls Ave., Twin Falls, kbradshaw@twinfallsrotary.org or 212-0265.

Toastmasters International Diversity Club meeting, nonpolitical, nonreligious and open to all cultures, races and creeds; improve speaking and leadership skills in supportive atmosphere, 7 p.m., Wayne Gentry building, 214 Main St., Filer, $20 new-member fee (other dues), 944-9612 or toastmaters-filer@gmail.com.

EDUCATION

Commercial Driver's License Training and Transportation Careers, learn about transportation industry and Class A CDL permit, 7 to 9 p.m, College of Southern Idaho, 315 Falls Ave., Twin Falls, $85 registration, plus $5 material fee, taught by David Beach and Karen Fullbright, (non-credit class), 732-6290 or communityed.csi.edu.

Conversational Spanish, learn simple words and phrases, 6 to 8 p.m., College of Southern Idaho, 315 Falls Ave., Twin Falls, $95 plus $60 or $55 material fee, taught by Lupe Cisneros-Corbin, (noncredit class), 732-6290 or communityed.csi.edu.

HEALTH AND WELLNESS

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

College of Southern Idaho's Over 60 and Getting Fit programs, a guided walking workout with stretching and gentle resistance training, 9 to 10 a.m. at several Magic Valley locations: Blaine County Campus gym, CSI gym, Filer Elementary, Jerome Rec Center, Rupert Civic gym and Shoshone High School (old gym); 10:30 to 11:30 a.m., Buhl old Middle School gym; and 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., CSI Mini-Cassia Center gym, no cost, 732-6475.

Widowed Wellness Programs of Idaho "Coping with Widowhood," widowed men and women receive information and support, 10 to 11:30 a.m., Katz Conference Room B, South Central Public Health District, 1020 Washington St. N. Twin Falls, (CSI campus, park on northside of building), encourage $40 donations (no one is turned away), 736-2122.

HOBBIES AND CRAFTS

Arts a crafts by designer and founder of the Crafty Cow, Cassi Griffin, 1 to 2 p.m., Blaine County Senior Connection, 721 Third Ave. N., Hailey, no cost, 788-3468.

Woodcarving days, public welcome to come and carve wood, 1 to 5 p.m. and 7 to 10 p.m., call for location, Twin Falls, classes available, 736-0061.

Magic Valley Singles group dancing, 7 p.m. workshop and 8 p.m. PLUS, American Legion Hall, 107 Seventh Ave. E., Jerome, bring finger food to share, $3, 536-2243.

LIBRARY

Preschool Story Hour, with stories, activities and crafts, 10 a.m., Buhl Public Library, no cost, open to the public, 543-6500.

SPORTS

Active seniors pickleball group, pickleball enthusiasts willing to teach newcomers, 6 p.m., Adventist Hilltop School, 131 Grandview Drive, Twin Falls, no cost, 837-6365 or rabjab@q.com.

Music

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his district's program has actually expanded in the past year.

"We've done so by adding another high school," Dobbs said, referring to Canyon Ridge. "Twin Falls is kind of an anomaly in that we've added music in the past year," he said.

Although a new high school may not traditionally count as "adding" music, Dobbs said the district is committed to arts education.

Ted Hadley, music teacher at Canyon Ridge and Robert Stuart Middle School, became philosophical about music education.

"I see kids every day whose lives are enriched by their involvement with music … Music permeates our lives, and not just by expressing yourself — It's a powerful and emotional aspect in our seminal events — music in ceremony, music in funerals, music in celebration, even in the Super Bowl," he said. "And that's just from listening to it. If you can actually play music, it's a whole new method of communication."

While addressing rumors of funding reductions as high as 10 percent from the state, Dobbs emphasized the district's philosophy is not to cut programs outright.

"Last year, we kind of flat-lined," he said. "We retained what we had with electives, and music is part of that … so my preference is for us to constrict, where everybody shoulders the burden by, for example, reducing the number of days kids participate in a program, rather than cutting the program."

But reductions in time spent on music — on anything, for that matter — is still a cut, Dobbs acknowledged.

"Absolutely. That's what you get when you lose 10 percent," he said. "Make no mistake, 10 percent is going to hurt."

Going Second ended its show — with Alfaro incongruously shouting, "Goodnight!" at 2:39 p.m. — and then pulling the obligatory encore curtains away for a song 30 seconds later. He asked, "Are there any girls with blue eyes out there?"

The show appealed to the girls, and afterward, a couple of 17-year-old male students were unimpressed.

"It's not my type of music," Theron Walker said.

Connor Olsen — who, like Walker, plays guitar — was more blunt.

"I don't like that emo, whiny voice," he said. "I like traditional rock and people who make music to make music, rather than jumping around on the stage with girls screaming constantly."

The girls seemed to react differently, though — several of whom talked about how much they were "rocked."

"They were awesome," Maria Herrera, 15, said. "Dude, I got to touch that guy's legs."

Rec center

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subcommittee next month.

The key to seeing the project to fruition will be collaborating with other organizations, Parks and Recreation Director Dennis Bowyer said later Tuesday.

"I do believe there's no one entity that could afford that bill themselves," Bowyer said.

That's how the city tried to build a center several years back.

In 2004, the city, YMCA, Boys and Girls Club and other groups rallied behind the local Salvation Army office to compete for a $40 million recreation center funded by a share of the $1.9 billion Joan Kroc, widow of McDonald's founder Ray Kroc, gave to the national Salvation Army. A statewide task force awarded the center to Coeur d'Alene instead.

Though Twin Falls' bid failed, Salvation Army Maj. Ed Patterson said it demonstrated the cooperation possible across so many groups. The College of Southern Idaho planned to donate land, he said, and the various organizations had each pledged to oversee aspects of the center's operation. An attempt to again bring everyone together could result in a large, quality facility, he said. And he would be eager to volunteer to help again.

"There's a lot of potential," Patterson said.

He certainly would welcome more space. The Salvation Army already has a 13,000-square-foot building with a gym. But with volleyball teams, youth programs, meals and other events sharing it, things are starting to get tight, Patterson said. The organization rents the gym out for just $1 per person per hour to encourage the general public to use it.

"We're starting to feel the pinch of room for athletics," he said.

Bonnett and Bowyer also said there just isn't enough public gym space in town.

"If we lose the Presbyterian Church, for example, our volleyball programs are done," Bonnett told the council.

Asked if now is the time to push forward, Bowyer said he couldn't be sure and noted the council hasn't weighed in yet. But at least one council member liked the idea: Will Kezele said he wished the city could spend millions on something like a rec center rather than a project to meet federal arsenic standards for drinking water.

"I think our kids will live longer by exercising than by drinking their 1-part-per-billion-over-the-standard every day," he said, referring to the narrow amount the city exceeds the standard by.

The long-term parks plan gives the commission and city a road map "so we know why we're doing what we're doing," Bonnett told the council. Its goals also include upgrading various neighborhood and city parks, building a dog park and expanding bike trails.

Government

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is going to get done,'' said Linda Springer, a former director of the Office of Personnel Management, which oversees the federal work force of nearly 2 million workers.

David Fiore, who works for the federal government's Export-Import Bank of the U.S., stocked up on groceries Tuesday in Washington and said he planned to do some work from home, including a 2 p.m. conference call.

"They're open in Turkey. I'm getting e-mails from Morocco,'' he said. "The work goes on.''

Philadelphia and Washington needed just 9 more inches of snow each to log the snowiest winters since at least 1884, the first year records were kept.

Even before the storm arrived in the District of Columbia, the House announced it was scrapping the rest of its workweek. Several hearings and meetings were postponed, including one planned for Wednesday on Toyota's massive recalls.

Agencies from the Federal Communications Commission to the Federal Trade Commission canceled hearings and planned announcements because of the looming snow. Shuttering the agencies for a day costs the government an estimated $100 million in lost productivity and related costs.

Down Pennsylvania Avenue, the White House decided to move up by a day a Black History Month concert featuring Bob Dylan, Smokey Robinson and Natalie Cole. It had been slated for today, but was instead moved to Tuesday night.

President Obama held a bipartisan meeting with congressional leaders ahead of the storm Tuesday and joked that it went so well that Democratic Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid of Nevada and Republican Sen. Mitch McConnell of Kentucky had gone out to play in the snow.

"In fact, I understand that McConnell and Reid are out doing snow angels on the South Lawn together,'' Obama joked as he made an unannounced stop in the White House briefing room.

The snow started in the Midwest before moving into the Mid-Atlantic region, where utility workers struggled to restore power already knocked out by a weekend blizzard.

Fossil

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visit the College of Southern Idaho's Herrett Center for Arts and Science. After making his way to the mammoth display McKinney studied the bone structure. When he laid eyes on the mammoth's back femur he said he "knew without a doubt I had discovered the bones of a mammoth."

McKinney identified the femur's distal epicondyles — the two softball-sized protrusions that form part of the knee joint — as similar.

McKinney called the Casper College Tate Geological Museum with that information. Now that he's back in Wyoming for work, he said he'll deliver the fossil to the museum within the next week.

J.P. Cavigelli, prep lab manager at the museum, said after viewing e-mailed photos of the femur, he is "pretty convinced" it is from a Columbian mammoth.

He commended McKinney for contacting the proper authorities but said that, while unlikely, McKinney could face charges for taking the fossil without the proper permits.

"He did the right thing, for trying to go through the right channels," said Cavigelli.

McKinney said that since the fossil will be turned over to Cavigelli's team he isn't worried about prosecution.

Cavigelli said the find could be significant.

"We're excited. There is the potential that this will be a good skeleton," he said. On the other hand, the find could end up being nothing more than a "nice collection of a few bones," he added.

Regardless, the next step, said Cavigelli, is to locate where the remains were found, learn who owns the land and determine how much skeleton remains and if a full-fledged excavation is warranted.

Cavigelli said it's "ironic" that the museum could be thrust into another mammoth project. In August it completed excavation of "Dee," the largest discovered Columbian mammoth to date, which will be displayed at the facility in March.

Cavigelli said only 36 mammoth sites, some containing only bone fragments or a tooth, have been discovered in the state.

McKinney believes the site, which he didn't disclose, will offer the museum a great opportunity, and said he looks forward to working on any upcoming dig.

"To be allowed to be a part of the project is an honor, it's humbling," he said. "I've long been a bone collector — collected my first deer antler shed at age 7 … but this is huge."

If there is a skeleton unearthed, McKinney is excited to have it named after him, as is common practice.

"I think McKinney the Mammoth has a nice ring to it," he said.

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Illegals

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"It has kind of a three-strikes-you're-out approach to it," Hart told the committee.

After a first offense, the business owner can avoid license suspension by signing an affidavit acknowledging the hire of an illegal alien and stating the practice will be stopped.

With a second offense, a business owner's license can be suspended for up to 10 days. A third offense could lead to a license suspension of up to a year, provided that all three offenses took place within a three-year span.

The proposal has its critics, though.

J. Brent Olmstead, executive director of Milk Producers of Idaho, has concerns about the legislation's impact on rural communities. Olmstead also said the legislation isn't balanced because businesses with government licensing requirements would be affected, but those with no licensing requirements would be untouched by the law.

A 10-day loss of a dairy's permit would mean the loss of hundreds of thousands of pounds of milk, he said. If their license was pulled, dairies would still have to milk cows, but couldn't sell their milk.

"You'd have to dump it," Olmstead said.

For a 1,000-cow dairy, that adds up because each cow generates 80 pounds — roughly nine gallons — of milk a day. That comes to 80,000 pounds daily, or 800,000 pounds of milk lost in 10 days.

Rep. Bert Stevenson, R-Rupert, said he understands the dairy industry's challenge, adding that the broader issue is having a work force that meets industry needs.

"It isn't that people are out there wanting to hire illegal aliens," said Stevenson, a member of the House State Affairs Committee.

Rep. Raul Labrador, R-Eagle, also a co-sponsor of the legislation, stressed that the violation has to be done knowingly by the employer to warrant citation, noting that federal law already requires employers to obtain identification from the employee in question within three days.

"We're just asking people just to follow the law," Labrador said. "That's all you need to do to have a defense."

Tuesday's hearing, called a print hearing, simply allows the proposal to become a bill that will be debated before it can become law. Legislators typically vote to allow a proposal to become a bill, and later vote on the bill after more hearings take place.

The vote was 17-1, with Rep. Phylis King, D-Boise, voting against it.

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Bruce Willis on how to die hard with a vengeance

DON'T ASK ME
Steve Crump

I never knew where part-time Idahoan Bruce Willis stood on the wolf issue.

Until I picked up a copy of the new edition of "Men's Journal" magazine.

Inside, Willis — who can probably see wolves wandering the ridge above his home north of Hailey — offers up tips on how to kill a wolf with your bare hands.

He suggests the first thing to do when attacked in the wild is to "give the wolf your arm."

"You've got to lean into it, stick your arm all the way down his throat," the actor explains. "He can't swallow it because he's gagging on your arm.

"You reach in, you grab a handful of something — guts, the back of its throat, whatever you can hold — and pull it out.

"And try to avoid those claws while you're doing it."

Willis insists he's a wealth of manly information like that.

He adds, "If I ever get out of this acting racket, I'm going to be Dr. Phil's competition. Except I would be the alpha-dog side and tell you how to kill a wolf with your bare hands."

Which, of course, begs the question of how Mr. Die Hard acquired this specialized knowledge.

I checked the Idaho Department of Fish and Game's wolf hunting rules, and while they don't expressly forbid killing a wolf with your bare hands, I believe it's frowned upon.

The other problem is that a gray wolf bite exerts 1,500 pounds of pressure per square inch, which is enough to snap an antelope or elk leg in half. By way of comparison, a pit bull bites down at 235 pounds per square inch.

I'm not at all certain you'd have anything left with which to grab the wolf's guts.

Willis' "Men's Journal" piece also talks about how to impress women, what not to drink on a heavy night out and the vital information every father should pass on to his children.

Of course, the first thing I'd tell my kids is not to try to kill a wolf with their bare hands, even on a heavy night out. And as for impressing the opposite sex, how are you going to shake hands without your right arm?

Besides, women hate guys named Stubby.

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

Jerome school board weighs charter school concerns

By John Plestina
Times-News writer

"I think we need to have a serious discussion of whether this charter school would have a negative effect on the Jerome School District."
— Trustee Rob Williams

JEROME — Jerome school trustees on Monday expressed concerns about a proposed charter school coming to town.

Trustees said the proposed school, Heritage Academy, could negatively impact the district financially and might not best serve Latino students.

School district Business Manager Clark Muscat estimated lost enrollment to a charter could take as much as $1.5 million annually in state funding from the district. Some also suggested a charter school's student demographics may not match that of the community overall.

The group proposing the 355-student charter school first brought a petition to the school district in November. That process led trustees to discuss the proposal on Monday, but a letter delivered 20 minutes prior to the meeting from the charter group's president, former school district trustee Kelly Bangerter, informed trustees the group withdrew its petition and will submit a new one with the Idaho Public Charter School Commission instead.

The letter cited philosophical differences, beliefs and expectations between school trustees and the charter group, which was not represented at the Monday meeting.

Trustees decided to respond to the IPCC, either in writing or with a representative attending a public hearing in Boise.

"I think we need to have a serious discussion of whether this charter school would have a negative effect on the Jerome School District," said Trustee Rob Williams. "Charter schools, not only in Idaho, tend to skim off the elite."

Muscat said the district could potentially lose more than $1.5 million in yearly state funding, based on the loss of $4,500 per student if the charter's 355 students migrate exclusively from the Jerome district.

He noted that while districts are guaranteed 99 percent of the previous year's state funding when enrollment decreases, a current state proposal would eliminate that insurance.

Superintendent Dale Layne said while there could be fewer children attending district schools, many of its teachers and programs would remain necessary, leaving the district with the expenses.

He said backers of the proposed K-6 charter are considering facility options that include modular classroom buildings, leasing existing space at the Crossroads Point Business Center or remodeling the former Con Paulos auto dealership on Main Street.

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Cassia Co. Courthouse elevator will receive fixes

Times-News

BURLEY — Work to bring the Cassia County Courthouse elevator up to code and fix exposed wiring and asbestos in its sliding door will soon begin.

More than $18,000 is needed to repair the elevator, which services the courthouse's three stories and basement.

"This is one of those things if we don't do it we can't use it," said Kerry McMurray, county administrator.

McMurray said the county needs to bring the elevator's fire alarms up to code, patch up the exposed asbestos, update some wiring and add a new security door on the roof.

The cost of an electrician's work, which is not yet known, will be in addition to the $18,000 price tag.

It will take $7,200 to bring the elevator to code. The rooftop door and frame will cost $850, and adding roof access and stairs will cost $2,300. Labor will cost $7,500.

McMurray said the courthouse budget includes $30,000 that could be used for the project.

County commissioners voted unanimously Monday to fund the project from the court budget.

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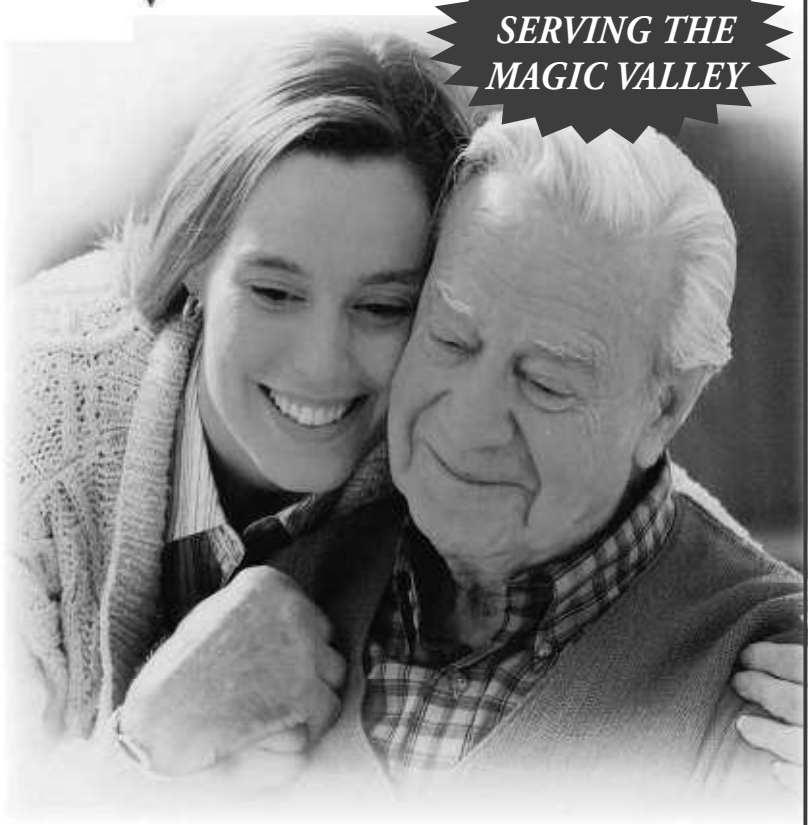

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Couple absolved of sex-abuse claims

By Andrea Jackson
Times-News writer

A married couple has been absolved of serious allegations involving child sex abuse, since authorities dropped one case and a jury acquitted the other.

Sean Pesek and his wife, Brandy Jo Maltos-Pesek, were arrested last summer at their work at a local retailer on indictments charging each with two counts of lewd and lascivious conduct with minors, and two counts of child sex abuse.

Authorities had alleged that Pesek, 36, and Maltos-Pesek, 22, victimized Pesek's children, now ages 5 and 7, between 2006 and 2009.

A jury acquitted Pesek last month of any wrongdoing, after which he told the *Times-News* he felt like he was "testifying for my own life," as the case carried a maximum possible punishment of life in prison.

"It was basically a custody fight," Pesek said last month after the acquittal. "It's just sad that people can use the criminal-justice system for a civil case."

Following suit last week, the Twin Falls County Prosecutor's Office dismissed the case it had charged against Maltos-Pesek.

"The state believes it would serve no purpose at this time to move forward with this case," wrote Leah Fredback, a Twin Falls County deputy prosecutor on Feb. 2. "It is the state's belief that a guilty verdict will be unattainable in this case in light of the jury verdict in a recent trial regarding the more culpable co-defendant, Sean Christopher Pesek."

Fredback also notes that a trial would only "further victimize a 7-year-old child by forcing him to testify a second time in open court in front of both of his perpetrators."

No-contact orders between the alleged victims and the Peseks have been lifted with the dismissal and acquittal, court records show.

From the beginning, the couple posted a confident defense.

At their first court appearance in August, the Peseks' then-lawyer, Hyong Pak, said "I'm telling this court right now, this is going to trial."

After Pesek's acquittal, Twin Falls County Prosecutor Grant Loebs maintained that the right person was prosecuted, but respected the jury's decision.

The medical expert that prosecutors planned to use in their case against Maltos-Pesek had never talked to the victim. Court records show the doctor "has not interviewed nor read information about the victim in this case, and will not offer an opinion addressing the credibility or truthfulness of the victim."

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St. Luke's lifts most visitation restrictions

Times-News

Now that swine-flu scares have subsided, St. Luke's Magic Valley Medical Center is removing the patient-visitation restrictions implemented during the initial H1N1 outbreak.

According to a St. Luke's press release, cases of seasonal flu have decreased, as well. While most policies have reverted to their normal status, the hospital will continue to restrict visitation of children older than 14 in the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit (NICU).

The NICU restriction is unrelated to influenza and instead attributed to respiratory syncytial virus (RSV) — a common infection among adults and older children that can be serious in babies.

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Fire district has to trim station proposal to get grant

By Nate Poppino
Times-News writer

The Rock Creek Rural Fire Protection District has learned it will have to slightly trim back the cost of a proposed $2 million fire station.

But the district's grant proposal to pay for part of the work has reached the second round of consideration by the Idaho Department of Commerce, Twin Falls County commissioners were told Tuesday afternoon.

The county, the sponsoring entity for the Community Development Block Grant application, heard the news as part of an update by Rock Creek Fire Chief Mike Hendricks and Jeff McCurdy, the project's grant facilitator with Region IV Development.

The district had applied for a $500,000 grant, but in a Feb. 1 letter Commerce announced it would cap the maximum award at $350,000. The change came because Rock Creek was the only fire district to ask for significantly more than $350,000, McCurdy explained. Hendricks said a planned shop building will likely be cut from the plan as a result.

Commerce also asked the status of the district's effort to get a judge's permission to take on nearly $1.5 million in debt to cover the rest of the project. Residents of the district, which covers the Kimberly, Hansen and Murtaugh area, would pay for the project through their levy rate.

There's a chance permission won't come in time for the district to get the grant, McCurdy and Hendricks said. If the district had asked voters to pass a bond, the state would have required its passage by March 5 — the date the second-round application is due, McCurdy said. But Commerce may be willing to award or at least pledge the money if it appears the district is making progress.

The district will not actually file its petition with the court until it secures bid estimates on project costs, Hendricks said.

Rock Creek's attorney advised seeking judicial confirmation for the debt instead of a bond election because the district isn't actually raising taxes, McCurdy said. But while that may be the easy route, County Commissioner Tom Mikesell said, it's not one he's entirely comfortable with.

"It takes the voter out of the loop," Mikesell said.

All three commissioners said they would support the application, though Chairman George Urie, a Hansen resident, said he plans to state objections as a resident of the district at future public hearings.

The district held a public hearing on the judicial confirmation last Thursday that four people attended. They all spoke in favor of the idea, Hendricks said.

Public comments can currently be submitted on the confirmation, and another hearing is planned before the district submits its petition. Future hearings are also planned on the block grant itself, including one halfway through the construction phase if money is awarded this year.

If the district doesn't get the grant this year, McCurdy said, it will likely try again starting this fall.

Wash. Street preconstruction meeting today

Times-News

Twin Falls residents and business owners in the area of Washington Street between Addison and Filer avenues are encouraged to attend a preconstruction meeting tonight to discuss the first phase of the Washington Street expansion project, the Idaho Transportation Department announced.

The public meeting starts at 6 p.m. at the Twin Falls City Council Chambers, 305 Third Ave. E.

Reconstruction will tie together widened sections of roadway near the intersections at Addison and Filer avenues. The widened section will include a storm-water drainage system, center median with left turn bays, and new sidewalk. Construction is scheduled to begin Monday and is expected to be complete by mid-June.

Gordon Paving Co. of Twin Falls is the contractor for the $1.7 million federally funded project administered by ITD.

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A few hats already thrown in Jerome County political ring

Times-News

JEROME — One candidate for a Jerome County Commission seat has thrown his hat into the ring early.

Roger Morley told the *Times-News* this week he intends to seek the Republican nomination for the seat representing the eastern portion of the county that Commissioner Joe Davidson currently holds.

Davidson, also a Republican, is in the final year of his second term and said he will not run again.

Morley, who filed for a commission seat but later withdrew in 2008, is the only non-incumbent to indicate he will run for county commissioner so far this year. He said he works as a professional voice talent for television and radio, and is a former Idaho legislative lobbyist.

Commissioner Charlie Howell said he would seek a third term. He is also a Republican.

Other county officials up for election this year are County Clerk/Treasurer Michelle Emerson, Treasurer Mary Childers and Assessor Rick Haberman.

Emerson said she plans on seeking another term. Childers and Haberman haven't yet disclosed if they intend to run. All are Republicans.

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Idaho House passes bill aimed at scuttling health care reform

BOISE (AP) — Idaho House Republicans passed a bill Tuesday meant to scuttle proposed federal health care reforms that would require residents or companies to buy insurance.

The "Health Freedom Act," which passed on a 52-18 party line vote, would require Idaho to sue the federal government over any health insurance mandates. The measure, on an issue that has divided Democrats and Republicans across the nation, now goes to the Senate.

Though President Obama's push for a health care overhaul has stalled, conservative lawmakers in about three dozen states are forging ahead with constitutional amendments, referendums and laws similar to Idaho's bill that aim to ban government health insurance mandates. Idaho lawmakers described their version as a pre-emptive strike against a Democratic-controlled Congress foisting top-down health reform on states that don't want it.

"It would be a terrible mistake for the state of Idaho to wait until a bill is passed," said Rep. Raul Labrador, an Eagle Republican running in the GOP primary for Congress. "If it happens and we have not addressed the issue in Idaho, then we're stuck with it."

Obama said Tuesday he's willing to start from scratch on health care reform but that both sides must give ground. He also said the final bill must meet his goals, such as ending abusive insurance industry practices, reducing costs and expanding the affordability of and access to coverage.

All 18 Idaho House Democrats objected, with House Minority Leader John Rusche, D-Lewiston, contending the GOP-backed measure is premature and will interfere with well-meaning efforts to cut costs and improve the damaged U.S. health care system.

Others argued the possible cost to taxpayers of $100,000 — for Idaho Attorney General Lawrence Wasden to hire another full-time attorney to pursue litigation against the federal government — was an irresponsible expenditure during a budget crisis.

"How can we justify spending or maybe spending an additional $100,000 a year when we're cutting parks, schools and necessary services to the most needy residents?" said Rep. Elfrede Higgins, D-Garden City.

The debate turned testy, with Rep. Lenore Barrett, R-Challis and a feisty critic of federal power, accusing opponents of the bill of violating their oaths of office as well as important tenets of the U.S. Constitution. When House Assistant Minority Leader James Ruchti objected — "That's over the line," he interrupted — Barrett initially was defiant.

"I do not take back anything I said," she fired back.

Idaho economist holds to forecast despite shortfall

BOISE (AP) — Idaho tax revenue in January was $12.8 million below forecasts, as individual income tax payers trailed expectations a fourth month in a row.

Mike Ferguson, Gov. C.L. "Butch" Otter's chief economist, says changes to federal tax law mean fewer Idaho residents making early tax payments.

It's that, rather than even more pronounced weakness in the economy, that's the likely culprit behind the lower collections.

As a result, Ferguson told Democratic lawmakers Tuesday he sees no reason to abandon his revenue expectations for the current fiscal year and for 2011, which starts next July.

Ferguson says unlike the last two years, he "wouldn't advise making a change in the forecasts."

But taking such an optimistic view could set up a conflict with pessimistic legislators who have already proposed cutting Idaho's budgets by $128 million more than Otter's own plans over two years.

The United States Air Force (Air Force) announces its intent to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) to evaluate the potential environmental consequences of establishing operational F-35A aircraft at one or more Air Force and/or Air National Guard installations across the U.S. The potential basing locations include: Mountain Home Air Force Base (AFB), Idaho; Hill AFB, Utah; Burlington Air Guard Station (AGS) Vermont; Shaw AFB/McEntire Joint National Guard Base (JNGB), South Carolina; and Jacksonville AGS, Florida. For Mountain Home AFB, Hill AFB, and Shaw AFB the potential environmental impacts will be analyzed for no action and for scenarios of 24 primary assigned aircraft, 48 primary assigned aircraft, and 72 primary assigned aircraft. For Burlington AGS, McEntire JNGB, and Jacksonville AGS, the potential environmental impacts will be analyzed for no action and scenarios of 18 and 24 primary assigned aircraft. At any of the alternative locations, the basing action would involve basing F-35A aircraft, personnel changes, facility construction and modifications, and aircraft training operations.

The *Air Force is holding scoping meetings* to help identify community concerns with respect to this proposed action and alternatives. Meetings will be held in an open house format with Air Force representatives available to answer questions and address specific questions about the F-35A and proposed action; no formal presentations will be given. Therefore, please attend any meeting **at your convenience between 6 and 8 p.m.** Meetings will be held on the following dates at the locations indicated below:

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Wednesday, Feb 17, 2010	Boise State University, Student Union Building, Barnwell, 1910 University Dr., Boise, ID
Thursday, Feb 18, 2010	College of Southern Idaho, Student Union Building, North Cafeteria, 315 Falls Ave., Twin Falls, ID
Friday, Feb 19, 2010	Hacker Middle School, 550 East Jackson, Mountain Home, ID

If you are unable to attend, please visit our Web site starting January 19, 2010 at: (www.airforcef-35opseis.com) to download copies of the meeting materials. Please submit all comments in writing to the address indicated below by Mar 1, 2010 to ensure proper consideration in the EIS analyses: HQ ACC/A7PS, 129 Andrews St., Suite 337, Langley AFB VA 23665-2769, Attn: Ms. Sheryl Parker.

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EDITORIAL

Idaho voter fraud? What Idaho voter fraud?

Take out a sheet of paper, title it "The Biggest Problems Facing Idaho," and number from 1 to 1,000.

No. 1 is easy: the economy. But what about No. 1,000?

We think that would be a good place to write "voter fraud."

It rarely happens here. Idaho has a legacy of clean elections and Pete Cenarrusa and his successor, Ben Ysursa — the Republican secretaries of state and chief elections officers stretching back to 1967 — have been sticklers for the integrity of the vote.

So why are some Idaho legislators obsessed with solving a problem that, for practical purposes, doesn't exist here?

House Majority Leader Mike Moyle, R-Star, has introduced legislation that would require voters to show a valid picture ID before casting their ballots. Don't have photo identification? Then you'd have to sign a piece of paper attesting that you are who you claim to be.

Excuse us? The state's economy is crumbling and this is how the Republican leader of the House spends the taxpayers' time and money?

The proposed legislation, which the House State Affairs Committee agreed to introduce on Tuesday, would not, of course, cover folks who vote absentee or mail in their ballots. Apparently, they're on the honor system.

There's nothing wrong with the current system of voting in Idaho.

What it's accomplished, in fact, is getting more voters to cast ballots. Ironically, higher turnout favors the Republicans in this state.

And if we had a nickel for every time Rep. Moyle has proclaimed during his 12 years in politics that government shouldn't try to fix things that aren't broken, we'd have enough to balance the state budget.

It's easy to vote in Idaho, and that's how it should be.

Our view: Too many Idaho legislators have too much time on their hands. How else to explain the GOP's latest gambit into the integrity of elections?

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

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Don't ask, don't tell? Just end it

Pentagon chiefs are beginning to acknowledge openly that gays and lesbians should be allowed to serve openly in the military. Unfortunately, real life changes faster than Congress does.

Clarence Page

The 1993 law commonly known as "don't ask, don't tell" was passed by Congress in the early days of President Bill Clinton's administration as a classic compromise: It pleased neither side. The so-called "reform" did no more than codify into federal law what already had been military rules: If your commander finds out that you're a gay man or lesbian, you can be immediately discharged.

As Defense Secretary William Gates told the Senate Armed Services Committee, it "doesn't leave a lot to the imagination or a lot of flexibility" for, say, a commander who does not want to lose valuable personnel who otherwise are serving honorably, simply because they happen to be homosexual.

Simple fairness tells us that a law should punish people for what they do, not for who they are, especially when the law actually hurts national security more than it helps. That was the sensible message that Adm. Mike Mullen, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, told the committee with his call to overturn the law as "the right thing to do."

"I cannot escape being troubled by the fact that we have in place a policy which forces young men and women to lie about who they are in order to defend their fellow citizens," he said. "For me personally, it comes down to integrity — theirs as individuals and ours as an institution."

Yet neither man said the change would come soon. First, said Mullen and Gates, there will be a Pentagon review, taking up to a year. In other words, after 17 years of military and civilian studies of the law's effectiveness — and ill effects — we're going to have yet another year of study.

That's disappointing for gay rights advocates after President Obama in his State of the Union address reaffirmed his opposition to a law that "denies gay Americans the right to serve the country they love because of who they are." But, for Congress which is not filled with profiles in courage on such touchy matters, the delay kicks this politically explosive grenade down the road, safely past the November midterm elections, while the military deals with it in a military way: They can quietly defuse the ban on their own.

While the big yearlong review is underway, Gates said, the Pentagon will undertake a 45-day internal review and move toward enforcing the existing policy "in a fairer manner." Let's hope that means an end to the most badly abused aspect of existing law: It forces the discharge of otherwise law-abiding service members whose sexual orientation is revealed by third parties such as jilted partners or spurned would-be lovers of the opposite sex.

If there is any good news in the delay it is how, the more time passes, the more public opinion swings against the ban. In its early days, Gen. Colin Powell, then-chairman of the Joint Chiefs, said gays serving openly would undermine "morale, good order and discipline." Ironically, the nation's first black chairman of the Joint Chiefs used the same words that Gen. Dwight Eisenhower used during World War II to argue against the racial desegregation of our troops.

Powell has since changed his mind. "Attitudes and circumstances have changed," he said last week. "Society is always reflected in the military. It's where we get our soldiers from."

Thomas Ricks, a Pulitzer Prize-winning defense journalist who now is a senior fellow at the Center for a New American Security, offers this helpful suggestion on his blog at *Foreign Policy* magazine's site: "When you read objections to lifting the ban, note the age of the writer," he said. "I wouldn't worry much about anyone who left the military before 1990."

Although my own military days are way behind me (I was drafted into the Army at the tail end of the Vietnam era), Ricks offers good advice. Polls and numerous anecdotes indicate that, while us older vets tend to recoil at the idea of dropping the ban, younger folks inside and outside the military think the transition will be a lot easier and less eventful than we old geezers think it will.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Proposed uranium enrichment plant has many dangers

Wake up and fight Areva before it is too late!

Far away in France, a giant company is planning on building a centrifuge uranium enrichment plant near Idaho Falls in the near future. This nuclear behemoth has already gotten tax breaks from the state of Idaho and could soon be approved for a $2 billion loan guarantee from the feds. Everyone, especially any of us in the southern or eastern part of the state should be alarmed because:

The viability of this project is severely questioned because of sky-rocketing costs that have led to cancellations of even the most viable reactors.

There is no known or viable disposal pathway. Just what we need is more waste endangering our aquifer and our air and land.

This will result in radioactive material traveling in and out of the state posing a threat to our public health and environment.

I can just hear people saying it will create jobs and income for us, but at what cost? Areva could be the next Dell or HP that comes in and starts a project just to leave without a moment's care for the unemployed or local and state debt.

I for one am tired of huge tax breaks for the worst industries and businesses in the world while we dismantle human services and public education. Just what Idaho needs is another threat to public health, one that can actually destroy us. Many stood up when Sempra tried to ram a coal-fired plant in here and it failed. We need to be even more concerned about this new company and the risks it brings. We talk about the danger of Iran if it chooses to enrich its uranium stockpile, so don't sit back and let Idaho do this!

DIXIE SIEGEL
Twin Falls

Meeting to discuss vote-by-mail proposal

The way you vote may change. A non-partisan petition is being circulated around the state to get enough signatures of registered voters to put permanent absentee voting on the election ballot. This voting by mail is endorsed by the county clerks in Idaho. Voters would then have the option of voting at the polls or voting by mail. Voting by mail could benefit seniors, disabled persons, minorities, soldiers, snowbirds, soldiers and people who work long shifts and have trouble getting to the polls before they close on Election Day.

On Tuesday, Feb. 16, at 7 p.m. at the KMVT Community Room, 1100 Blue Lakes Blvd. N. (north side of the building), the local League of Women Voters (a non-partisan organization) will host a free, public information meeting to present the pros and cons of this proposed voting system. Come crunch some cookies and ask questions about this proposed voting by mail.

BETTY SLIFER
Filer

Livestock center would be a waste of money

In response to the editorial of Feb. 1 on the livestock center near Jerome:

I commend the governor on holding back the $10 million directed toward building this facility because it is not needed.

Having worked in livestock research for more than 37 years, I have to ask, why reinvent the wheel? There is easy access to already published results of research on waste management, air pollution and water and soil contamination caused by pathogen drift, methane, CO_2, nitrogen, phosphorus and pharmaceuticals. We already know that over-crowded conditions at confined animal feeding operations have lead to the over-feeding of prophylactic antibiotics which in turn have produced dangerous strains of drug resistant pathogens.

Regarding the research center, University of Idaho, Idaho State University and the College of Southern Idaho already have laboratories that can analyze data collected in the Magic Valley. Why not work with the dairies on a cooperative basis?

Why should the taxpayers continually subsidize this industry? We subsidize the dairy farmers with milk price supports, and we buy their surplus products when they overproduce and there's a glut on the market. When they begin to suffer from "market fluctuations," we pay for "dairy buyouts." If the industry wants this research center, the industry should pay for it, and then the citizens of Jerome County can decide whether they want it.

There is no reason to believe this facility will be good for the economy of Magic Valley or that it will be self-supporting. The dairy/livestock center is a bad idea that should never see the light of day.

WILLIAM TANAKA
Shoshone

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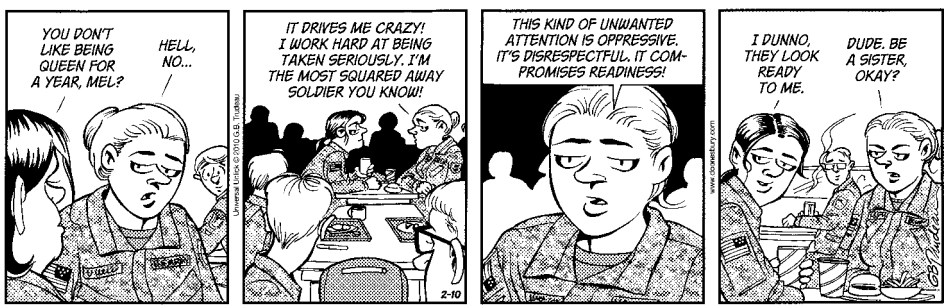

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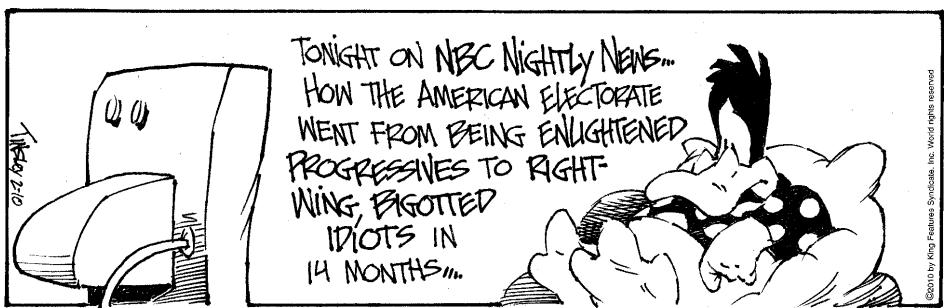

Five myths about credit card debt

Robert D. Manning

They're yuppie food stamps. They give new meaning to the question "paper or plastic?" And they're in everyone's wallet. Americans have nearly 700 million all-purpose bank credit cards, plus nearly 500 million retail store cards — and they have transformed how we live and consume. Today, Americans are more dependent on credit than savings, a radical departure from the last major economic crisis, in the 1930s. Congress' effort to change that, the Credit Card Accountability, Responsibility and Disclosure (CARD) Act signed by President Obama last spring, will go into effect in a few weeks. But it won't fix everything. Or maybe not much of anything. Here are the myths that muddle our understanding of how we've racked up so much credit card debt.

1. Middle-class American families have long depended on bank credit cards to manage their budgets.

Not true. Consumer credit originated with local merchants that offered "open book" credit to cement customer loyalty and increase sales. As major retail chains and malls replaced small shopkeepers in the 1950s and '60s, stores such as Sears and Montgomery Ward issued credit cards for the same reasons. But if you didn't like what Sears had to offer, you couldn't use its credit card anywhere else.

2. More people have credit cards because companies got better at managing risk and began marketing to lower-income customers.

Mostly no. Credit card use expanded dramatically during the golden age of the industry — beginning in the early 1980s — because deregulation suddenly allowed high interest rates and penalty fees, and credit cards became a major engine of bank profits. In 1978, a Supreme Court decision effectively ended consumer interest-rate limits and the federal usury law. After the 1981-82 recession, industrial restructuring shifted demand for bank loans from manufacturing companies to individual households, and national banks aggressively pushed for more deregulatory policies, in line with the '78 decision. A 1996 Supreme Court ruling that ended state-regulated limits on credit card fees furthered that cause. Today, only nonprofit credit unions, as mandated by Congress, must abide by an interest rate ceiling of 15 percent.

3. Responsible cardholders will have to pay more to make up for the defaults of irresponsible consumers.

False. Although credit card companies are experiencing record default rates, irresponsible consumer borrowing is not the main culprit behind soaring interest rates and fees. Banks have suffered far more from mortgage foreclosures and home-equity loan defaults. Major banks encouraged their credit card divisions to relax their standards at the end of the financial bubble; more customers went deeper into credit card debt. Those customers were encouraged to refinance their mortgages, generating high fees for the banks. Banks then sold securities backed by credit card debt to institutional investors around the world. When the bubble burst in September 2008, banks could not sell these low-quality securities. They were stuck with poorly performing credit card portfolios.

4. The credit card industry is so competitive that regulation is unnecessary.

Rather than a self-regulating and intensely competitive market of more than 5,000 issuers, the credit card industry is one of the most concentrated in the nation (and is increasingly being hit with allegations of monopoly practices). The top three issuers — Bank of America, Citibank and Chase — control more than 60 percent of outstanding credit card debt. Consumer choice has declined over the past 20 years as economies of scale for marketing, administration and customer service have led thousands of card issuers to cash out to the largest banks. And self-regulation has failed when it comes to weeding out the worst card issuers; Visa and MasterCard have dismal track records in disciplining their members.

5. The CARD Act finally protects consumers against the credit card industry's most abusive practices.

Yes and no. Although touted by the Obama administration as a major consumer achievement, the long-awaited CARD Act, which goes into effect Feb. 22, offers a mix of overdue protections and surprising omissions.

Some of the worst industry practices are prohibited, including billing systems that generate finance charges on paid-off balances, some retroactive interest-rate increases and unrestricted marketing to consumers under the age of 21 who don't have an independent source of income.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Pres. Obama is working hard for the people

We have a president that inherited the biggest deficit in our history, a broken economy and two wars — the biggest load any president has ever had to shoulder the first year of his administration. But he went to work with plans to help get people back to work even though there were more job losses in big companies.

He has lowered taxes for the middle class and doubled the child credit. He has been trying to get a bill through to help bring down the medical costs by letting people buy into Medicare and get control of insurance companies putting stipulations on them so they cannot quit your coverage when you most need it. He had gained back the good relationships with other countries. We have never had a president that has worked harder for the people.

Don't listen to Fox News and other news commentators that are spreading damaging propaganda about what he is trying to do because they are backing the big insurance companies that don't want this legislation to go through. Let's get behind our president and appreciate the job he is doing for us.

LOIS JOBE
Burley

Loud-mouth fans worse than rowdy students

To all the athletic supporters out there. Jerome and elsewhere, mainly Misters Amos and Leavitt:

If you attend the games and are not a participant, you are an athletic supporter! I am one and in good company. Some of the most avid fans are athletes from other sports. I'm sure I'm not alone in feeling bad that you think your team has been unduly berated and taunted. I know all the teams in the area are good, class athletes.

As for your "quotes" supposedly made by Coach Perigot after the Minico-Jerome game: You both quoted him but the statements were different. Knowing Coach Perigot, I don't believe he would have made a statement even similar to either of these. He's the first one out to shush the students if they get too boisterous. Perhaps you misheard what was said. If so, perhaps you also misheard the taunts and berating.

Kinda looks like you may be seeking some pity or something since both incidents mentioned were following games you lost. The students all get somewhat boisterous at times. The worst I've seen (and I've seen them all) are Burley and Wood River. I saw a whole section get ousted from a game by officials at Wood River.

Worse than rowdy students I think, are the loudmouth fans behind me in the stands who, during the game, are very loudly berating the players, coaches and the officials.

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A grandma, not related to any coaches.

JOYCE MILLER
Burley

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It's Complicated (R) 7:00 9:30 Blindside (13) 6:45 9:30
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Group sues to force decision on pygmy rabbits

By Nicholas K. Geranios
Associated Press writer

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This undated photo shows a pygmy rabbit in the wild in eastern Washington state.

SPOKANE, Wash. — The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service improperly failed to make a decision about protecting the rare pygmy rabbit in eight Western states, according to a lawsuit filed in federal court by an environmental group.

Western Watersheds Project's lawsuit, which was filed last week, wants the agency to make a decision on whether to grant endangered species protection to the tiny rabbits. Courts had previously demanded the decision, which is long overdue.

"This case will be settled very quickly by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service because they are violating a court order right now and have no defense," predicted Jon Marvel of Western Watersheds, which is based in Hailey, Idaho.

The Fish and Wildlife office in Reno, Nev., which is leading the pygmy rabbit study, has forwarded its recommendation to agency headquarters in Washington, D.C., said Selena Werdon, assistant field supervisor in Reno.

But agency rules prohibit release of the decision until it is final, because it could be changed, she said. There is no firm timetable for release, she said.

Pygmy rabbits, which weigh up to one pound and can fit in a man's palm, have been decreasing in numbers for years in the West because of habitat loss, which reduces their ability to escape predators.

"They are the smallest rabbits in the western hemisphere," Marvel said. "They are the cutest small rabbit in the world."

The rabbits need plenty of ground cover to avoid predators and soil that is conducive to digging their own burrows. The sage-steppe environment that used to cover much of the West was ideal and they once roamed some 100 million acres, Marvel said.

But much of that has been gobbled up by agriculture and construction, he said.

The lawsuit was filed Wednesday in federal court in Boise, Idaho, where a judge in 2007 reversed the agency's decision not to protect the rabbit and ordered a new ruling. In January 2008, the agency concluded that protecting the rabbit "may be warranted."

But since then, the agency has missed a 12-month deadline for making a final decision.

"The service is now over a year overdue in issuing a 12-month finding," the lawsuit said.

In 2003, the federal government listed pygmy rabbits in eastern Washington as endangered, and efforts to reintroduce the rabbits there failed as the animals were devoured by predators.

Because the rabbits are already listed in Washington, the new study covers California, Oregon, Nevada, Idaho, Montana, Wyoming and Utah.

Haitian parents testify they willingly gave kids to American missionaries

The New York Times/AP

Carla Thompson, right, and Corinna Lankford, both of Meridian, are shown in their jail cell Monday in Port-au-Prince, Haiti.

PORT-AU-PRINCE, Haiti (AP) — Parents of some of the children who 10 U.S. missionaries tried to take out of Haiti after its catastrophic earthquake told a judge Tuesday they freely handed over their kids, the Americans' lawyer said.

The parents' testimony means no law was broken and "we can't talk any more about trafficking of human beings," attorney Aviol Fleurant told reporters.

He said he was "confident" the judge will dismiss the case.

Nine of the Americans, most from an Idaho church group, have now been interviewed by the judge, who is to decide whether they will stand trial. The judge did not speak with reporters.

The Americans were charged with kidnapping and criminal association last week for trying to take 33 children into the neighboring Dominican Republic on Jan. 29 without proper documentation.

The Baptist missionaries say they were heading to a Dominican orphanage following Haiti's devastating quake, and had only good intentions.

Their leader, Laura Silsby, of Meridian told The Associated Press the day after their arrest that the children were obtained from orphanages and distant relatives.

However, the parents of some them told the AP last week that they gave their children willingly to the missionaries with the understanding that the kids would be educated and relatives could visit them.

Silsby was the only American not to appear in court on Tuesday.

The lawyer who represented the missionaries until last week said Silsby deceived the rest of the group and that everyone but her should go free.

One of the Baptists, Jim Allen of Amarillo, Texas, was represented Tuesday by a separate lawyer.

Flaurent said the Americans would be back in court today.

The Americans' original Haitian lawyer was fired Friday for allegedly attempting to bribe their way out of jail without their knowledge.

Senate panel dumps bill aimed at invasive species

BOISE (AP) — Senators rejected a measure meant to help law enforcement officials stop invasive species at Idaho's borders, saying it would give authorities too much leeway to flag people down and seize their property.

The Senate Agricultural Affairs Committee voted 5-3 against making it a misdemeanor to not halt at an inspection station to allow scrutiny of any vehicle or conveyance that could transport an invasive species.

Sen. Brent Hill, a Rexburg Republican, feared this ran afoul of the Constitution.

Lloyd Knight, a Department of Agriculture official, said the bill was broadly written so his agency could react quickly, should an unexpected invasive species crisis emerge.

Idaho is already inspecting out-of-state boats crossing into Idaho, to protect against species such as quagga mussels.

At some of Idaho's 18 check stations, compliance was good. But on U.S. Interstate 90 on the Idaho-Washington border, Knight estimates only about 20 percent of people stopped to be inspected.

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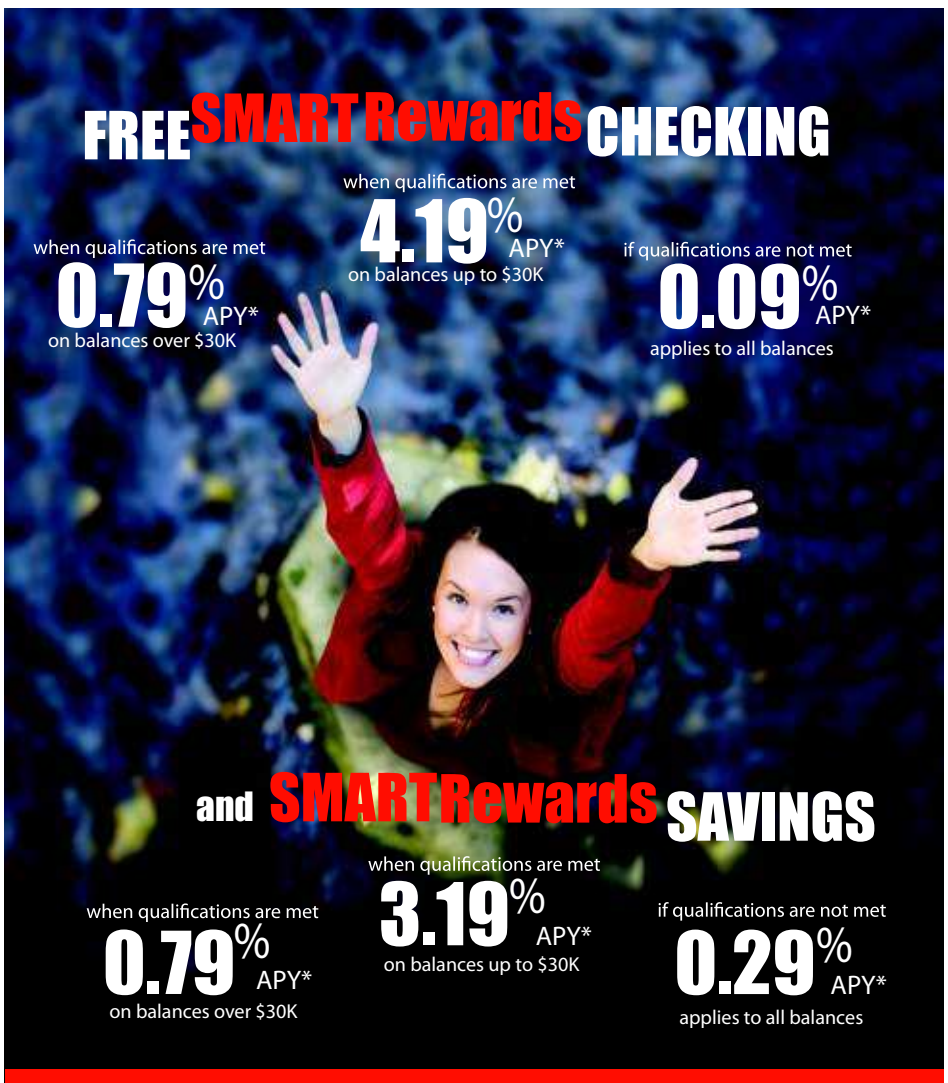

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AP Photo

2010 Toyota Prius cars are lined-up in a dealership lot in Seattle.

Toyota seeks damage control, in public and private

By Alan Fram
Associated Press writer

WASHINGTON — In public, Toyota is running apologetic TV ads and vowing to win back customers' trust. Behind the scenes, the carmaker is trying to learn all it can about congressional investigations, maybe even steer them if it can.

It's part of an all-out drive by the world's biggest auto manufacturer to redeem its once unassailable brand — hit anew on Tuesday as Toyota's global recall ballooned to 8.5 million cars and trucks. The day's safety recall of 440,000 of its flagship Prius and other hybrids, plus a Tokyo news conference where the company's president read a statement in English pledging to "regain the confidence of our customers,'' underscored a determination to keep buyers' faith from sinking to unrecoverable depths.

In Washington, facing congressional inquiries and government investigations, Toyota through its lawyers and lobbyists is working full-speed to salvage its reputation. The confidential strategy — Toyota will say little publicly about its efforts — includes efforts to sway upcoming hearings on Capitol Hill and is based on experiences by companies that have survived similar consumer and political crises — and those that haven't.

Rep. Bart Stupak, D-Mich, said Toyota representatives visited his offices seeking to learn all they could.

"They're probing us. 'What are you going to ask us, where are you going with this whole thing?''' said Stupak, who is chairman of a House subcommittee looking into Toyota's problems.

Toyota, which reported spending more than $4 million on lobbying last year, declined to discuss details of its plans. The company has "beefed up our team'' by hiring additional lobbyists, lawyers and public relations experts to "work with regulators and lawmakers collaboratively towards a successful recall effort, ensuring proper, diligent compliance,'' spokeswoman Cindy Knight said in an e-mail to The Associated Press.

Toyota faces at least two congressional hearings besides Stupak's, including the one delayed by snow. Sen. Jay Rockefeller, D-W.Va., chairman of the Senate Commerce, Science and Transportation Committee and a longtime supporter of Toyota, said his panel will hold a hearing after the two by the House.

Their focus: floor mats that get caught under accelerators, sticky gas pedals and

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OTHER DEVELOPMENTS

- State Farm, the largest U.S. auto insurer, said it had informed federal regulators late in 2007 about growing reports of unexpected acceleration in Toyotas. That disclosure raised new questions about whether the government missed clues about problems.
- Congressional investigators cited growing evidence that not all the causes of Toyota's acceleration problems have been identified. A staff memo from the House Oversight and Government Reform Committee, which had planned an oversight hearing for Wednesday, said there was substantial evidence that remedies such as redesigned floor mats have failed to solve problems. The hearing was postponed until Feb. 24 due to snow in Washington.
- Federal safety officials said they were examining complaints from Toyota Corolla owners about steering problems.

Molson Coors' profit rises on tax benefits

By Emily Fredrix
Associated Press writer

NEW YORK — Molson Coors Brewing Co. sold fewer beers around the world in the fourth quarter, but its profit more than doubled as the company held onto price hikes it made during the recession and benefited from a one-time drop in its tax rate.

Sale volumes in the brewer's strongholds of Canada and Britain have been slipping for months as people spend less on beer and trips to bars. But the company's fourth-quarter downturn was steeper in the U.S. than it predicted, CEO Peter Swinburn said.

"It's really linked to unemployment," he told The Associated Press in an interview. "It seems to be once we get above 8 or 9 percent unemployment, that really begins to bite. Obviously, we're in that territory at the moment."

Swinburn said he expected the sluggish environment to continue in the first half of 2010. The U.S. unemployment rate was 9.7 percent in January, according to government figures.

The company sold 4 percent less beer by volume worldwide in the fourth quarter, but its net sales rose 11 percent to $820 million, helped by higher prices.

Shares of the maker of brands like Blue Moon and Coors Light fell $1.33, or 3.22 percent, to close at $39.98 Tuesday.

The brewer earned $218.2 million, or $1.17 per share, in the quarter that ended Dec. 26. That's up from $87.6 million, or 48 cents per share, in last year's fourth quarter.

Excluding such one-time items, the company earned $190.3 million, or $1.02 a share, falling short of the expectations of analysts polled by Thomson Reuters, who typically exclude one-time items.

Analysts predicted earnings per share of $1.10 on revenue of $784.4 million.

Morgan Stanley Research analyst Dara Mohsenian, who said Molson Coors is performing "at the low end of its global peers," maintained an "equal-weight" rating on the stock.

Faced with a smaller market for its products, Molson Coors is holding firm on some pricing, particularly in Britain, so it can make more money on what it does sell.

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AP photo

Cases of Coors Light are seen on display at Costco in Mountain View, Calif. Molson Coors said Tuesday its fourth-quarter profit more than doubled because of favorable tax benefits even as it sold fewer beers.

McDonald's sales figure rises 2.6 percent in Jan.

By Mae Anderson
Associated Press writer

NEW YORK — McDonald's Inc., the world's largest fast-food chain, said Tuesday a key sales comparison rose 2.6 percent in January, as strong overseas sales more than offset a decline in the U.S.

McDonald's has generally fared well in the recession as customers turned to it for cheap meals, but it has started to feel the pinch more acutely in recent months as consumers have contended with unemployment that's still high.

It has still outperformed most of its competitors, who've increasingly been pushing value menus and discounts of their own.

Sales in stores open at least 13 months fell 0.7 percent in the U.S. and rose 4.3 percent in Europe, Asia/Pacific, Middle East and Africa.

The figure is considered a key indicator of a restaurant chain's health because it excludes the effects of new restaurants and restaurant closings.

Total sales rose 9.1 percent, including an 0.1 percent decline in the U.S. — which makes up about 35 percent of total sales — a 6.7 percent rise in Europe and a 7.2 percent increase in the rest of the world.

"The U.S. continues to be impacted by unemployment and aggressive discounting across the industry, but the results outside the U.S. were encouraging,'' Morningstar analyst R.J. Hottovy said.

McDonald's said in the U.S its breakfast Dollar Menu and portable Mac Snack Wrap were popular offerings and its free Wi-Fi — which the company introduced in January — was also a draw.

The Wi-Fi offering "sits hand in hand with the McCafe launch,'' said Hottovy. "They're trying to extend duration of consumers visits.''

Absence of job growth for small business spurs recovery doubt

By Michael McKee
Bloomberg News

NEW YORK — Small businesses are becoming the Achilles heel of the U.S. recovery by limiting growth and job creation.

Companies with fewer than 500 employees, such as Phoenix Technologies Ltd. and Sonic Corp., helped lead the economy out of the four recessions since 1980. This time, they continue to cut capital spending and dismiss workers, eliminating 3,000 jobs in January, according to Roseland, New Jersey-based Automatic Data Processing, the world's largest payroll processor.

Improvement in the unemployment rate, which fell to 9.7 in January from 10 percent in December, may stall later this year if these firms aren't hiring, and growth likely won't meet the median 2.7 percent annual rate forecast for 2010 by 67 economists in a Bloomberg News survey last month.

"Will you have a sustainable recovery a few years down the road without getting some small-business spending? No,'' said Cary Leahey, senior managing director at Decision Economics in New York and a former White House economist. "Wall Street gets it.''

The Russell 2000 Index of small-cap stocks has risen 4 percent in the past six months, lagging behind a 6 percent increase in the Standard & Poor's 500

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Senate Democrats unveil jobs package

By Andrew Taylor
Associated Press writer

WASHINGTON — Senate Democrats circulated a jobs bill Tuesday that's light on new initiatives on boosting hiring and heavy with provisions sought by lobbyists for doctors and the satellite broadcasting industry.

The 362-page measure is still in draft form and has not been officially released. It has bipartisan backing but very few new ideas for creating jobs, other than a $10 billion plan to exempt companies from paying the employer's share of Social Security payroll taxes for new hires if they are unemployed and hired this year.

The idea, by Sens. Chuck Schumer, D-N.Y., and Orrin Hatch, R-Utah, is regarded as more workable than President Obama's plan for tax credits of up to $5,000 for new hires.

The rest of the measure is mostly comprised of last year's unfinished business, including renewal of business tax breaks that have expired, an extension of unemployment benefits and health insurance subsidies and forestalling a cut in Medicare payments for doctors.

The jobs bill is politically important for Democrats seeking to respond to public anxiety about the economy. But the measure also has a lot of pull with an assortment of lobbying groups seeking to extend a raft of tax breaks and other benefits that expire at the end of the month.

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Feb. Gold	1,076.70	▲	11.00	Feb. Silver	15.43	▲ .35

Today in business

WASHINGTON — Commerce Department releases international trade for December.

WASHINGTON — Treasury releases federal budget for January.

WASHINGTON — Senate Judiciary Committee hearing on cybercrime and identity theft.

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MOST ACTIVE ($1 OR MORE)

Name	Vol(00)	Last	Chg
Citigrp	4749286	3.18	+.03
S&P500ETF	3138993	107.22	+1.33
BkofAm	2481850	14.47	–.01
SPDR Fncl	1514383	13.80	+.14
iShEMkts	1235140	38.03	+1.20

GAINERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
NBkGreece	4.26	+.84	+24.6
Harman	41.19	+5.69	+16.0
NBGre pfA	20.23	+2.71	+15.5
AlbnyIn	21.17	+2.65	+14.3
AMR	8.33	+1.01	+13.8

LOSERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
Parkwy	17.35	–2.60	–13.0
DirLatBear	54.74	–6.38	–10.4
Stepan pf	57.13	–6.47	–10.2
DirxEMBear	6.13	–.65	–9.6
DirxDMBear	17.57	–1.75	–9.1

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Advanced	2,401
Declined	690
Unchanged	86
Total issues	3,177
New Highs	42
New Lows	14
Volume	5,171,275,990

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MOST ACTIVE ($1 OR MORE)

Name	Vol(00)	Last	Chg
NovaGld g	38281	5.90	+.31
NthgtM g	35408	2.67	+.21
GoldStr g	32623	3.04	+.15
Taseko	29520	4.21	+.09
NA Pall g	23162	3.70	+.08

GAINERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
ManSang	2.09	+.21	+11.2
ShengInn n	9.15	+.87	+10.5
MexcoEn	8.29	+.74	+9.8
UQM Tech	4.86	+.42	+9.5
NthgtM g	2.67	+.21	+8.5

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Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
MastechH	4.26	–.40	–8.5
Lannett	4.55	–.40	–8.1
TianyinPh	3.68	–.31	–7.8
BowlA	13.21	–.95	–6.7
FullHseR	2.66	–.19	–6.7

DIARY

Advanced	344
Declined	149
Unchanged	53
Total issues	546
New Highs	7
New Lows	3
Volume	96,218,353

NASDAQ

MOST ACTIVE ($1 OR MORE)

Name	Vol(00)	Last	Chg
PwShs QQQ	1099073	43.11	+.44
Intel	683053	19.65	+.30
Cisco	594812	23.89	+.39
Microsoft	581893	28.01	+.29
ElectArts	433474	15.96	–1.53

GAINERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
WestwdO n	5.46	+1.14	+26.4
ACmclLn rs	20.17	+4.01	+24.8
TrubionPh	3.86	+.71	+22.6
InnovSol	4.84	+.89	+22.5
ADC Tel	6.53	+1.15	+21.4

LOSERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
Conns	4.43	–.91	–17.0
Terremk	6.52	–1.27	–16.3
Toreador	8.54	–1.62	–15.9
MultimGm	4.13	–.60	–12.7
EngyConv	7.80	–1.09	–12.3

DIARY

Advanced	1,914
Declined	754
Unchanged	126
Total issues	2,794
New Highs	35
New Lows	28
Volume	2,178,576,709

INDEXES

10,729.89	6,469.95	Dow Jones Industrials	10,058.64	+150.25	+1.52	–3.54	+27.50
4,265.61	2,134.21	Dow Jones Transportation	3,869.88	+76.99	+2.03	–5.60	+27.20
408.57	288.66	Dow Jones Utilities	369.49	+3.86	+1.06	–7.17	–.15
7,471.31	4,181.75	NYSE Composite	6,835.16	+121.29	+1.81	–4.87	+31.07
1,908.81	1,234.81	Amex Index	1,793.37	+27.23	+1.54	–1.73	+27.85
2,326.28	1,265.52	Nasdaq Composite	2,150.87	+24.82	+1.17	–5.21	+41.07
1,150.45	666.79	S&P 500	1,070.52	+13.78	+1.30	–4.00	+29.42
11,941.95	6,772.29	Wilshire 5000	11,107.88	+141.14	+1.29	–3.82	+32.56
649.15	342.59	Russell 2000	595.16	+8.67	+1.48	–4.83	+33.51

STOCKS OF LOCAL INTEREST

AlliantEgy	1.50	47	30.79	+.17	+1.8
AlliantTch	...	14	77.11	+.15	–12.6
AmCasino	.42	...	14.81	+.39	–2.8
Aon Corp	.60	18	39.83	+.18	+3.9
BallardPw	...	...	2.16	+.03	+14.3
BkofAm	.04	...	14.47	–.01	–3.9
ConAgra	.80	13	22.95	+.28	–.4
Costco	.72	24	58.76	+.62	–.7
Diebold	1.04	40	27.52	–.04	–3.3
DukeEngy	.96	14	16.56	+.24	–3.8
DukeRlty	.68	...	10.64	–.19	–12.6
Fastenal	.80f	34	42.34	+1.13	+1.7
Heinz	1.68	16	43.67	+.51	+2.1
HewlettP	.32	15	48.12	+.53	–6.6
HomeDp	.90	22	28.87	+.28	–.2
Idacorp	1.20	14	31.39	+.35	–1.8
Kaman	.56	20	24.33	+.62	+5.4
Keycorp	.04	...	6.92	+.10	+24.7
LeeEnt	...	...	3.83	+.13	+10.4
MicronT	...	...	9.08	+.17	–14.0
OfficeMax	...	...	13.96	+.51	+10.0
RockTen	.60	7	38.80	+.05	–23.0
Sensient	.76	13	25.22	+.24	–4.1
SkyWest	.16	10	14.25	+.39	–15.8
Teradyn	...	...	9.32	+.07	–13.1
Tuppwre	1.00f	16	43.92	+.36	–5.7
US Bancrp	.20	29	23.49	...	+4.4
Valhi	.40	...	16.04	+.21	+14.8
WalMart	1.09	15	53.25	+.32	–.4
WashFed	.20	62	19.22	+.23	–.6
WellsFargo	.20	31	26.71	+.28	–1.0
ZionBcp	.04	...	18.21	+.22	+41.9

HOW TO READ THE REPORT

Name: Stocks are listed alphabetically by the company's full name (not its abbreviation). Company names made up of initials appear at the beginning of each letters' list.
Div: Current annual dividend rate paid on stock, based on latest quarterly or semiannual declaration, unless otherwise footnoted.
Last: Price stock was trading at when exchange closed for the day.
Chg: Loss or gain for the day. No change indicated by ... mark.

Fund Name: Name of mutual fund and family.
Sell: Net asset value, or price at which fund could be sold.
Chg: Daily net change in the NAV.

Stock Footnotes: cc – PE greater than 99. dd – Loss in last 12 mos. d – New 52-wk low during trading day. g – Dividend in Canadian $. Stock price in U.S.$. n – New issue in past 52 wks. q – Closed-end mutual fund; no PE calculated. s – Split or stock dividend of 25 pct or more in last 52 wks. Div begins with date of split or stock dividend. u – New 52-wk high during trading day. v – Trading halted on primary market. Unless noted, dividend rates are annual disbursements based on last declaration. pf – Preferred. pp – Holder owes installment(s) of purchase price. rt – Rights. un – Units. wd – When distributed. wi – When issued. wt – Warrants. ww – With warrants. xw – Without warrants.
Dividend Footnotes: a – Also extra or extras. b – Annual rate plus stock dividend. c – Liquidating dividend. e – Declared or paid in preceding 12 mos. f – Annual rate, increased on last declaration. i – Declared or paid after stock dividend or split. j – Paid this year, dividend omitted, deferred or no action taken at last meeting. k – Declared or paid this year, accumulative issue with dividends in arrears. m – Annual rate, reduced on last declaration. p – Init div, annual rate unknown. r – Declared or paid in preceding 12 mos plus stock dividend. t – Paid in stock in last 12 mos, estimated cash value on ex-dividend or distribution date. x – Ex-dividend or ex-rights. y – Ex-dividend and sales in full. z – Sales in full. vj – In bankruptcy or receivership or being reorganized under the Bankruptcy Act, or securities assumed by such companies.
• Most active stocks above must be worth $1 and gainers/losers $2.
Mutual Fund Footnotes: e – Ex-capital gains distribution. f – Previous day's quote. n - No-load fund. p – Fund assets used to pay distribution costs. r – Redemption fee or contingent deferred sales load may apply. s – Stock dividend or split. t – Both p and r. x – Ex-cash dividend.

Source: *The Associated Press. Sales figures are unofficial.*

COMMODITIES REPORT

CLOSING FUTURES

Mon	Commodity	High	Low	Close	Change
Feb	Live cattle	88.93	88.10	88.75	+ 1.08
Apr	Live cattle	91.70	90.93	91.48	+ .68
Mar	Feeder cattle	100.25	99.38	99.98	+ .75
Apr	Feeder cattle	101.00	100.40	100.60	+ .58
May	Feeder cattle	101.95	101.45	101.85	+ .45
Feb	Lean hogs	68.10	67.50	67.53	- .05
Apr	Lean hogs	69.45	67.80	67.85	- .93
Feb	Pork belly	83.50	xx.xx	83.50	+ 2.50
Mar	Pork belly	84.90	82.55	83.05	+ 1.05
Mar	Wheat	488.00	478.25	482.25	- 1.75
May	Wheat	503.50	494.00	497.25	- 1.75
Mar	KC Wheat	499.00	488.25	490.00	- 5.50
May	KC Wheat	511.50	500.75	501.75	- 5.75
Mar	MPS Wheat	514.00	501.75	505.75	- .600
May	MPS Wheat	525.00	514.00	517.00	- 6.25
Mar	Corn	363.00	356.00	356.50	+ 2.50
May	Corn	374.50	368.00	370.25	+ 2.75
Mar	Soybeans	943.00	920.00	924.50	- 5.00
May	Soybeans	952.00	931.00	935.25	- 4.75
Feb	BFP Milk	14.20	14.14	14.19	+.05
Mar	BFP Milk	13.73	13.59	13.67	+ .12
Apr	BFP Milk	13.36	13.19	13.30	+ .12
May	BFP Milk	13.42	13.27	13.37	+ .09
Jun	BFP Milk	13.94	13.86	13.89	—
Mar	Sugar	27.44	26.71	27.07	+ .47
Apr	Sugar	xx.xx	xx.xx	26.20	+ .43
Mar	B-Pound	1.5745	1.5558	1.5682	+ .0073
Jun	B-Pound	1.5726	1.5552	1.5672	+ .0072
Mar	J-Yen	1.1212	1.1136	1.1157	- .0036
Jun	J-Yen	1.1196	1.1150	1.1163	- .0036
Mar	Euro-currency	1.3840	1.3648	1.3773	+ .0102
Jun	Euro-currency	1.3834	1.3647	1.3770	+ .0102
Mar	Canada dollar	.9394	.9290	.9355	+ .0037
Jun	Canada dollar	.9384	.9300	.9355	+ .0038
Mar	U.S. Dollar	80.53	79.65	79.80	- .64
Feb	Comex gold	1082.0	1063.1	1077.1	+ 11.4
Apr	Comex gold	1083.8	1062.1	1078.9	+ 12.7
Mar	Comex silver	15.60	15.02	15.48	+ .39
May	Comex silver	15.60	15.04	15.47	+ .36
Mar	Treasury bond	119.1	118.5	118.6	- 0.2
Jun	Treasury bond	117.3	116.2	116.2	- 0.3
Mar	Coffee	132.20	129.45	130.40	- .25
May	Coffee	134.05	131.35	132.25	- .30
Mar	Cocoa	2249	2227	2238	+ 1
May	Cocoa	2225	2203	2210	- 4
Mar	Cotton	72.16	69.00	72.16	+ 3.00
May	Cotton	73.39	70.68	72.98	+ 2.22
Mar	Crude oil	74.15	71.32	73.75	+ 1.86
Mar	Unleaded gas	1.9488	1.8827	1.9290	+ .0350
Mar	Heating oil	1.9499	1.8747	1.9372	+ .0517
Mar	Natural gas	5.466	5.262	5.327	- .074

Quotations from Sinclair & Co.
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BEANS

Valley Beans
Prices are net to growers, 100 pounds, U.S. No. 1 beans, less Idaho bean tax and storage charges. Prices subject to change without notice. Producers desiring more recent price information should contact dealers.
Pintos, no quote, new crop great northerns, no quote; pinks, no quote, new crop; small reds, no quote, new crop. Prices are given by Rangens in Buhl. Prices current Feb. 3.
Other Idaho bean prices are collected weekly by Bean Market News, U.S. Department of Agriculture: Pintos, $30; great northerns, not established; small whites, Ltd. $30; pinks, Ltd. $30; small reds, Ltd. $30. Quotes current Feb 3.

GRAINS

Valley Grains
Prices for wheat per bushel: mixed grain, oats, corn and beans per hundred weight. Prices subject to change without notice. Soft white wheat, ask; barley, $5.50; oats, $5.80; corn, $7.25 (15 percent moisture). Prices are given by Rangens in Buhl. Prices current Feb. 3.
Barley, $7.10 (48-lb. minimum) spot delivery in Gooding: corn, no quote (Twin Falls only). Prices quoted by JD Heiskell. Prices current Feb. 3.

Intermountain Grain
POCATELLO (AP) – Idaho Farm Bureau Intermountain Grain Report on Tuesday, Feb 9.
POCATELLO – White wheat 4.10 (steady); 11.5 percent winter 3.89 (down 4); 14 percent spring 5.52 (down 7); barley 5.52 (steady)
BURLEY – White wheat 4.00 (steady); 11.5 percent winter 3.93 (down 4); 14 percent spring 5.27 (down 6); barley 5.50 (steady)
OGDEN – White wheat 4.17 (steady); 11.5 percent winter 4.08 (up 1); 14 percent spring 5.57 (up 6); barley 6.07 (steady)
PORTLAND – White wheat 4.78 (steady); 11 percent winter 5.05-5.13 (down 6 to 3); 14 percent spring 6.74 (down 5)
NAMPA – White wheat cwt 6.42 (steady): bushel 3.85 (steady)

CHEESE

Cheddar cheese prices on the Chicago Mercantile Exchange
Barrels: $1.4725, nc; Blocks: $1.4925, nc

POTATOES

CHICAGO (AP) – USDA – Major potato markets FOB shipping points Tuesday.
Russet Burbanks Idaho 50-lb cartons 70 count 4.50-5.50: 100 count 4.50-5.00.
Baled 5-10 lb film bags (non Size A) 3.00-3.25.
Russet Norkotahs Idaho 50-lb cartons 70 count 4.50-5.00: 100 count 4.50-5.00.
Baled 5-10 film bags (non Size A) 3.00-3.25.
Russets Norkotahs Wisconsin 50-lb cartons 6.00: 100 count 5.50.
Baled 5-10 lb film bags (non Size A) 4.50-4.75.
Russet Norkotahs Washington 50-lb cartons 70 count 6.00: 100 count 6.00.
Baled 5-10 lb film bags (non Size A) 3.50-4.00.
Round Reds 50-lb sacks Size A Wisconsin 13.00.
Round Reds 50-lb cartons Size A Minnesota-N. Dakota 6.50-7.00.

LIVESTOCK

Intermountain Livestock
POCATELLO (AP) – Idaho Farm Bureau Intermountain Livestock Report on Tuesday, Feb 9.
LIVESTOCK AUCTION – Cottonwood Livestock Auction on Friday. Utility and commercial cows 41.00-52.00; canner and cutter 42.00-46.00; heavy feeder steers 75.00-98.00; light feeder steers 102.00-123.00; stocker steers 110.00-128.00; heavy holstein feeder steers n/a; light holstein feeder steers n/a; heavy feeder heifers 75.00-96.00; light feeder heifers 93.00-107.00; stocker heifers 110.00-128.00; bulls 53.00-60.00; baby calves 125-230/hd; stock cows 750-950/hd.
Remarks: Active market on all classes.

METALS/MONEY

Key currency exchange rates
NEW YORK (AP) – Key currency exchange rates Tuesday, compared with late Monday in New York:

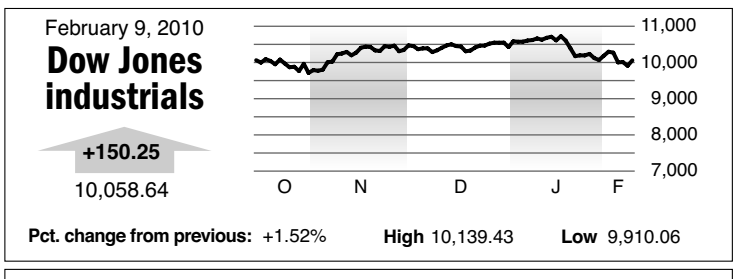
Dollar vs:	Exch. Rate	Pvs Day
Yen	89.63	89.35
Euro	$1.3775	$1.3671
Pound	$1.5688	$1.5615
Swiss franc	1.0656	1.0719
Canadian dollar	1.0689	1.0728
Mexican peso	13.1000	13.1470

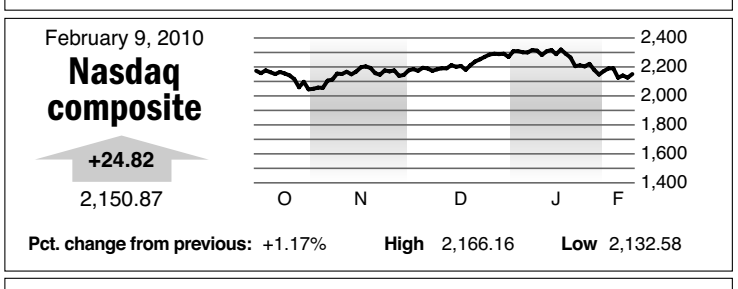
Gold
Selected world gold prices, Tuesday.
London morning fixing: $1068.00 up $4.00.
London afternoon fixing: $1071.25 up $7.25.
NY Handy & Harman: $1071.25 up $7.25.
NY Handy & Harman fabricated: $1156.95 up $7.83.
NY Engelhard: $1073.72 up $7.26.
NY Engelhard fabricated: $1154.25 up $7.81.
NY Merc. gold Feb. $1076.70 up $11.00.

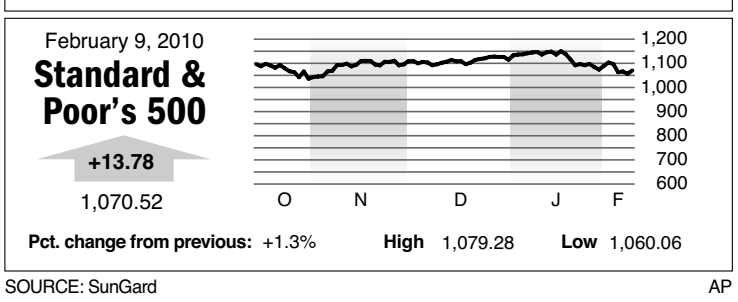
Silver
NEW YORK (AP) – Handy & Harman silver Tuesday $15.440 up $0.260.
H&H fabricated $18.528 up $0.312.
The morning bullion price for silver in London $15.200 up $0.060.
Engelhard $15.320 up $0.260.
Engelhard fabricated $18.384 up $0.312.

Nonferrous
NEW YORK (AP) – Spot nonferrous metal prices Tue.
Aluminum - $0.8951 per lb., London Metal Exch.
Copper -$2.8704 Cathode full plate, LME.
Copper $2.9835 N.Y. Merc spot Tue.
Lead - $1930.00 metric ton, London Metal Exch.
Zinc - $0.9062 per lb., London Metal Exch.

YESTERDAY ON WALL STREET







SOURCE: SunGard AP

The Dow rose 150.25, or 1.5 percent, to 10,058.64, its steepest percentage gain since Nov. 9. The broader Standard & Poor's 500 index rose 13.78, or 1.3 percent, to 1,070.52, while the Nasdaq composite index rose 24.82, or 1.2 percent, to 2,150.87.

Bond prices fell, pushing yields higher. The yield on the benchmark 10-year Treasury note rose to 3.65 percent from 3.57 percent late Monday.

Stocks have become more volatile in recent weeks on concern about the strength of a global economic recovery.

The Dow fell almost 104 points Monday and has posted triple-digit moves in 11 of the last 17 trading days. The index has retreated 6.2 percent since hitting a 15-month high in the middle of January.

The Russell 2000 index of smaller companies rose 8.68, or 1.5 percent, to 595.17.

Overseas, Britain's FTSE 100 rose 0.4 percent, Germany's DAX index and France's CAC-40 each rose 0.2 percent. Japan's Nikkei stock average fell 0.2 percent.

BUSINESS BRIEFS

Strong overseas sales put fizz in Coca-Cola's 4Q

NEW YORK — International sales again added fizz to Coca-Cola's fourth quarter, while sales in North America softened, to lift profit 55 percent in the last three months of the year.

Although the economy appears to be slowly improving, the CEO of the world's largest beverage maker said Tuesday he expects 2010 to be another difficult year.

CEO Muhtar Kent said people are no longer worried about how deep the recession will be, but sales could still be volatile in the next year as they wait to see job prospects improve.

"Compared to this time last year, there's a lot more clarity in terms of what the consumer is seeing. Not all good, but there's a lot more clarity," he told reporters on a conference call.

The maker of Sprite and Simply juices, based in Atlanta, sold 5 percent more beverages worldwide in its fourth quarter — with unit case volume up sharply in emerging markets like China and India, and solid growth in Latin America, where economies are growing rapidly.

The only region to report a case volume decline was North America, which had a 1 percent drop-off — a sign that those consumers are still wary about their spending.

Paulson says nation may profit from bank bailout

OMAHA, Neb. — Former Treasury Secretary Henry Paulson predicted the U.S. government will regain every penny given to the nation's banks during the economic meltdown and may even profit.

Billionaire Warren Buffett agreed with Paulson Tuesday that the bank bailout will eventually be profitable for the nation. The two men spoke at the Greater Omaha Chamber of Commerce's annual meeting.

Buffett led the talk by asking Paulson about his recently released book: "On the Brink: Inside the Race to Stop the Collapse of the Global Financial System."

Buffett, the longtime Democrat, said Paulson's book gave him an appreciation of how well former President George W. Bush understood the economy and how the government reacted during the crisis.

U.S. orange crop down after Florida freeze

ST. LOUIS — The U.S. orange crop is expected to fall 14 percent from last year because of an unusual freeze in Florida this winter.

The U.S. Department of Agriculture said Tuesday the orange harvest will be down 21 percent in Florida compared to last year's yield. The national harvest this year will be close to 8 million tons, with 5.8 million coming from Florida.

The USDA cut its forecast after eight days of subfreezing temperatures hit the Southeast in early January.

– The Associated Press

Recovery

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Index. Coming out of previous recessions, shares of companies with market capitalization between $250 million and $1 billion generally led markets higher.

The Russell Index gained 17 percent in the six months following the end of the 2001 recession, compared with 0.2 percent for the S&P 500.

The U.S. economy expanded at a 5.7 percent annual rate in the fourth quarter, the fastest pace in six years, after a 2.2 percent increase in the third quarter, buoyed partly by capital expenditures for equipment and software by large companies such as Dallas-based Texas Instruments. Growth may be difficult to sustain if smaller firms continue to pare spending and staff.

"It suggests that a V-shaped economic rebound is even more unlikely than suggested by many standard economic indicators," said Andrew Tilton, an economist at Goldman Sachs in New York, which sees gross domestic product growing 2.3 percent this year.

The National Federation of Independent Business' index of small-business optimism has been near historic lows for 15 consecutive months, declining to 88 in December from 88.3 in November, the federation reported last month. During the four prior recessions, it dipped below 90 only once.

"It has been a very difficult year, and 2009 did not end on an uplifting note," William Dunkelberg, chief economist for the federation in Philadelphia, said in the report. "Optimism has clearly stalled, in spite of the improvements in the economy."

Twenty-two percent of the group's members reduced employment in December, while 10 percent added workers. The federation is to release its January data Tuesday.

Because few economic reports capture small-business statistics, some economists say investors are being misled about the strength of recovery from the longest, deepest recession since the Great Depression.

Recent numbers suggest "the official data are too heavily weighted towards bigger companies, which are doing better than credit-constrained smaller firms," said Ian Shepherdson, chief U.S. economist at High Frequency Economics in Valhalla, N.Y. "The latter employ half the workforce."

The Institute for Supply Management's manufacturing report and the index of leading economic indicators are two such measures, Shepherdson said. The Tempe, Ariz.-based institute's factory gauge rose to 58.4 in January from 54.9 the previous month, the fastest pace since August 2004. The New York-based Conference Board's index of the outlook for the next three to six months gained 1.1 percent in December, the ninth consecutive increase.

Coors

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The company, based in Denver, is also coming out with new products, such as a low-calorie beer in Canada, and working to attract a range of consumers with products selling for a variety of prices.

"The consumer is looking for value, and so often the lowest common denominator is price," Swinburn said. "But, for value, it's interesting, new products (that) people are willing to pay for."

Swinburn said the company doesn't want to discount its brands now because that could make consumers see less value in them now and once the economy improves.

For the fiscal year, the company earned $720.4 million, or $3.87 per share, up from $378.7 million or $2.07 per share, the previous year.

Its sales fell by a third to $3.03 billion, from $4.77 billion the previous year. The company spun off its U.S. unit into the MillerCoors joint venture in July 2008.

Toyota

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brake problems, and what the company and federal regulators knew about them.

Professionals who have waged major damage-control struggles say the best strategy for Toyota mixes apology, openness, details about a specific fix — plus a little help from friends on Capitol Hill. In recent days, American TV viewers have seen ads in which a soft-spoken announcer talks about Toyota's dedication to safety and its customers.

"We're working around the clock to ensure we build vehicles of the highest quality, to restore your faith in our company," one spot says.

Toyota is expected to turn to its natural allies — lawmakers from states with Toyota plants or offices, which include Texas, Missouri, Indiana, Mississippi, Alabama, Kentucky and West Virginia. Republicans are considered especially likely to back the company, whose workers are not unionized.

Toyota has been encouraging dealers to contact local members of Congress, according to Bailey Wood, spokesman for the National Automobile Dealers Association. About 60 of the 1,200 U.S. Toyota dealers planned to visit Washington this week, weather permitting, said Cody Lusk, president of the American International Automobile Dealers Association. Their message: Toyota employs 34,000 people in the U.S. and accounts for 164,000 other jobs at dealerships and parts suppliers.

"They provide a lot of jobs, a lot of the tax base, and they want members to know," Lusk said.

Toyota also flew 23 workers from plants around the country to Capitol Hill to meet with lawmakers' staffs, emphasizing that the people who make the parts and build the vehicles care about quality.

One worker who tests cars and trucks said he takes it personally that he never found the gas pedal problem.

"I feel that I failed customers by not finding this issue," said Jim Shuker, who works at Toyota's Arizona Proving Grounds in Wittmann, Ariz. "We were not able to duplicate it."

Friendly legislators can limit the duration of congressional hearings and ask favorable questions that would give Toyota officials a chance to tell their side of the story. Their goal would compress unfavorable news stories about the hearings to as few days as possible, while making sure the company avoids being confrontational.

"You're being called up there so Congress can beat you up a little bit," said Gene Grabowski, who chairs Levick Strategic Communications' crisis and litigation practice. "By the time it gets to a hearing, you're there to take some punishment, to listen to their concerns."

N.Y. governor says he'll step aside only 'in a box'

The Associated Press

ALBANY, N.Y. — New York Gov. David Paterson, defying calls from even fellow Democrats to drop out of the race for a full term, said Tuesday that he would leave only if the voters turned him out through the ballot box, or "in a box."

Paterson spoke to reporters after several days of rumors sweeping the state Capitol about carousing in the governor's mansion, all of which Paterson strongly denied.

Since Paterson took over from his predecessor, who resigned in a prostitution scandal, his popularity has plummeted and many Democrats have voiced their preference that Attorney General Andrew Cuomo run for governor when Paterson's term is up.

That infighting and the recent rumormongering have further fractured state Democrats and added a decidedly weird edge to the national party's struggle to maintain ground it gained in the last election.

Facing challenges from coast to coast amid voter frustration with incumbents of both parties, Democrats in particular are girding for losses that could see states' chief executives go into Republican hands. New York, a traditionally Democratic-leaning state, would be a devastating blow to a party that just two years ago saw a landslide amid the election of Obama.

Paterson appeared to take heart from an interview earlier in the day with The New York Times, which had been widely anticipated to be preparing a story dealing with his personal conduct. He said that in the interview he was not asked about drug use in the governor's mansion or partying with women.

"The only way I'm not going to be governor next year is at the ballot box, and the only way that I will be leaving the office before is in a box," Paterson said during a news conference.

Paterson had decried the allegations Monday in an Associated Press interview.

AP photo

Venkat Thannir poses in his 2010 Toyota Camry, Tuesday at his home in Lexington, S.C. Last fall, Thannir's car accelerated on its own as he was pulling out of a parking lot. He has not taken his car in for the Toyota recall.

Experts say drivers, cars are ill-equipped when panic hits

By Dee-Ann Durbin
Associated Press writer

DETROIT — You're driving down the highway and suddenly your car starts accelerating on its own. Knuckles white, going from 60 to 90 miles an hour in seconds, you do what comes naturally — hit the brakes. But what if the car keeps going?

There are options: Put the car in neutral, or in park, or switch off the ignition. But experts say those choices would be almost impossible for most drivers to consider when they're in a panic, because frightened people often can't remember even simple steps to protect themselves. That — coupled with increasingly complicated gadgetry — makes cars a dangerous place to be when you're facing an unexpected situation.

"You're stamping on the brakes and your attention is going to be focused on where you're going and steering. There's no cognitive space left to think of alternatives," said Dr. Boadie Dunlop, a psychiatrist and director of the Mood and Anxiety Program at Emory University. "To do something that's not natural, such as turning off the engine, is just not going to come to mind."

Toyota Motor Corp. said Tuesday it is recalling about 437,000 Prius and other hybrid vehicles worldwide to fix a problem with brakes that are momentarily unresponsive in certain driving conditions.

That follows the automaker's recent recall of 5 million vehicles because of reports of unintended acceleration, and it's changing the gas pedals to prevent floor mats from jamming them. But complaints about unwanted acceleration in Toyota vehicles go back at least to 2003, according to U.S. government filings.

The issue gained new urgency last August, when a high-speed crash near San Diego killed an off-duty California highway patrol officer and three family members. The officer's loaner Lexus ES350 reached speeds of more than 120 mph, struck an SUV, launched off an embankment, rolled several times and burst into flames. The family frantically called 911 from the car, telling the dispatcher the pedal was stuck and they couldn't stop.

It's not known what exact steps the officer took in that case, but Dunlop said in such a situation, the brain can't handle all the information it's getting.

"When people are in an intensely fearful situation, their ability to problem-solve is greatly diminished," he said.

Venkat Thannir had his own brush with panic a few months ago. The 48-year-old college instructor from South Carolina was pulling his 2010 Toyota Camry out of a Burger King parking lot when it sped up without warning. He panicked for several seconds before pushing hard on the brake pedal and stopping the car.

"The vehicle was out of control," he said. "If I was not in a parking lot, it could have been a whole different story."

Thannir never figured out exactly what happened, but believes the pedal was defective, since he considers himself a safe driver. He plans to get the gas pedal repaired soon. In the meantime, he feels safe driving the vehicle for now.

Drivers have an array of safety features, including push-button stop in some cars. But the lack of standardization for those features further hinders peoples' ability to react to unexpected situations, since they vary from vehicle to vehicle, according to Paul Green, a research professor at the University of Michigan Transportation Research Institute.

Obama, GOP meet; despite all the nice talk, division reigns

New poll suggests public frustrated with bickering

The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — President Obama brought Republicans to the negotiating table on Tuesday, hoping to stem a steady deterioration in relations between the two parties that has brought business in Washington to a standstill, left the Democratic agenda in tatters and angered voters who are eager to have lawmakers address their concerns.

The two-hour session was part of a renewed drive by the White House to create legislation by consensus, regardless of party label. Obama tried the approach after he took office, but it did not take hold. After the meeting, the president paid a surprise visit to the White House press room to brief reporters.

He accused Republicans of indiscriminate obstruction that he said has created legislative gridlock, especially in the Senate, but he also called on Democratic leaders to "put aside matters of party for the good of the country."

Obama outlined issues that could bridge the divide, including job creation, health-care reform, energy and trade. But he extracted few concrete commitments from his GOP visitors.

A new Washington Post-ABC News poll suggests that the public is frustrated by the bickering and recriminations. According to the survey, 57 percent of Americans consider the loss of the Senate Democrats' filibuster-proof supermajority a "good thing," but few think Republicans should wield their new power to block bills frequently. Nearly six in 10 say that Republicans are not doing enough to forge compromise with Obama on important issues, while nearly half view the president as doing too little to overcome differences with the GOP.

On the issue of health-care reform, public attitudes about the stalled Democratic legislation remain virtually deadlocked. But nearly two-thirds of voters, or 63 percent, want Congress to keep trying to tackle the issue.

Nancy Kerrigan family disputes autopsy report on father

BOSTON (AP) — The family of Olympic skater Nancy Kerrigan insisted Tuesday that they do "not blame anyone" for her father's death and criticized a medical examiner's finding that Daniel Kerrigan died of a heart rhythm problem after a fight with his son.

Daniel Kerrigan's death was ruled a homicide by a state medical examiner.

The findings could prompt new charges against Nancy Kerrigan's brother, Mark, 45, who has pleaded not guilty to assault and battery on an elderly person and is undergoing a psychiatric evaluation.

Mass. mom guilty of murder in girl's fatal OD

BROCKTON, Mass. (AP) — A Massachusetts woman was convicted of second-degree murder Tuesday in the fatal prescription drug overdose of her 4-year-old daughter.

Carolyn Riley, 35, was accused of overmedicating her daughter, Rebecca, on powerful drugs prescribed by a psychiatrist who diagnosed her with attention deficit hyperactivity disorder and bipolar disorder by the time she was 3.

Prosecutors said Riley and her husband, Michael, concocted symptoms of mental illness in their daughter in an attempt to collect federal disability benefits, then overmedicated her for months to keep her quiet and out of their way.

Defense lawyers said Rebecca died of a severe, fast-moving pneumonia, not a drug overdose.

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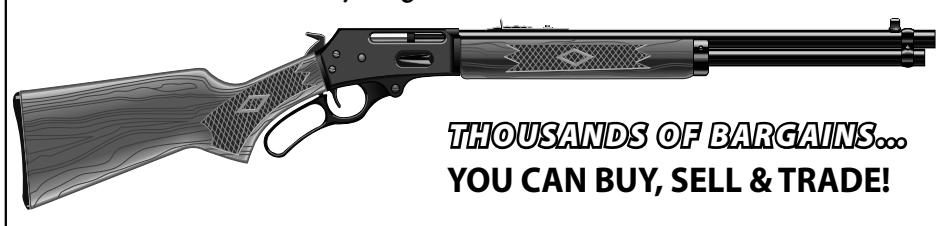

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BURLEY/RUPERT FORECAST

Today: A mix of sun and clouds. Highs, 30s.

Tonight: Becoming mostly cloudy. Lows, 20s.

Tomorrow: Cloudy, perhaps some night snow. Highs, 30s.

ALMANAC - BURLEY

Temperature

Yesterday's High	37°
Yesterday's Low	20°
Normal High / Low	42° / 22°
Record High	60° in 1951
Record Low	-4° in 1956

Precipitation

Yesterday's	Trace"
Month to Date	0.09"
Avg. Month to Date	0.25"
Water Year to Date	2.38"
Avg. Water Year to Date	4.09"

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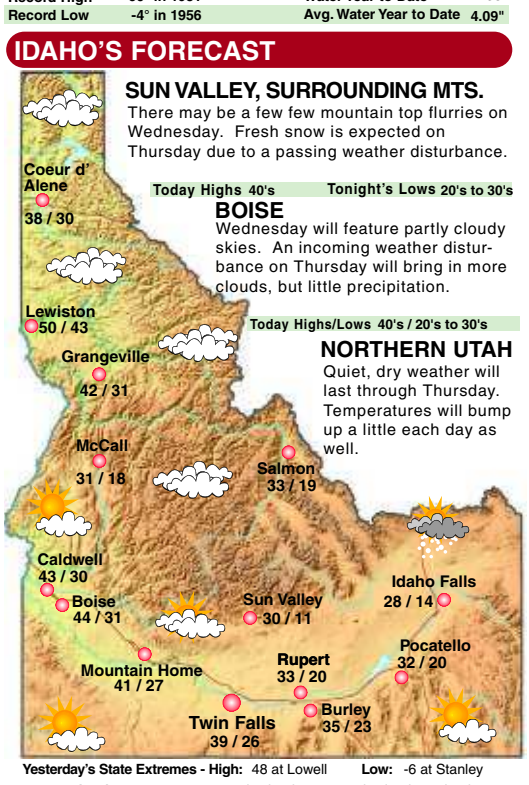

SUN VALLEY, SURROUNDING MTS.
There may be a few few mountain top flurries on Wednesday. Fresh snow is expected on Thursday due to a passing weather disturbance.

Today Highs 40's Tonight's Lows 20's to 30's

BOISE
Wednesday will feature partly cloudy skies. An incoming weather disturbance on Thursday will bring in more clouds, but little precipitation.

Today Highs/Lows 40's / 20's to 30's

NORTHERN UTAH
Quiet, dry weather will last through Thursday. Temperatures will bump up a little each day as well.

Yesterday's State Extremes - High: 48 at Lowell **Low:** -6 at Stanley

weather key: su-sunny, pc-partly cloudy, mc-mostly cloudy, c-cloudy, th-thunderstorms, sh-showers,r-rain, sn-snow, fl-flurries, w-wind, m-missing

TWIN FALLS FIVE-DAY FORECAST

Today	Tonight	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
A few clouds overhead	Clouding up	Sm. chance of precip.	More clouds than flurries	Variably cloudy	Increasing clouds
High 39°	Low 26°	43° / 30°	37° / 25°	43° / 29°	47° / 32°

Yesterday's Weather

City	Hi	Lo	Prcp
Boise	42	33	0.00"
Challis	25	16	Trace"
Coeur d' Alene	43	32	0.00"
Idaho Falls	26	-2	Trace"
Jerome	35	22	0.00"
Lewiston	46	36	0.00"
Lowell	48	35	0.00"
Malad City	n/a	n/a	n/a"
Malta	23	23	n/a"
Pocatello	34	14	Trace"
Rexburg	27	-5	Trace"
Salmon	27	19	0.00"
Stanley	27	-6	0.00"
Sun Valley	33	-3	0.00"

ALMANAC - TWIN FALLS

Temperature

Yesterday's High	38°
Yesterday's Low	27°
Normal High / Low	40° / 22°
Record High	55° in 2000
Record Low	0° in 1989

Precipitation

Yesterday's	0.00"
Month to Date	0.15"
Avg. Month to Date	0.30"
Water Year to Date	3.45"
Avg. Water Year to Date	4.65"

Humidity

Yesterday's High	86%
Yesterday's Low	61%
Today's Forecast Avg.	72%

Barometric Pressure

5 pm Yesterday 29.95 in.

A water year runs from Oct. 1 to Sept. 30

Temperature & Precipitation valid through 5 pm yesterday

Sunrise and Sunset

Today	Sunrise: 7:41 AM	Sunset: 6:03 PM
Thursday	Sunrise: 7:40 AM	Sunset: 6:05 PM
Friday	Sunrise: 7:39 AM	Sunset: 6:06 PM
Saturday	Sunrise: 7:37 AM	Sunset: 6:07 PM
Sunday	Sunrise: 7:37 AM	Sunset: 6:09 PM

Moon Phases

New	First	Full	Last
Feb. 14	Feb. 22	Feb. 28	Mar. 7

Moonrise and Moonset

Today	Moonrise: 5:47 AM	Moonset: 3:00 PM
Thursday	Moonrise: 6:21 AM	Moonset: 4:01 PM
Friday	Moonrise: 6:50 AM	Moonset: 5:03 PM

Today's U. V. Index

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REGIONAL FORECAST

City	Today Hi	Lo	W	Tomorrow Hi	Lo	W	Friday Hi	Lo	W
Boise	44	31	pc	49	35	r	46	35	r
Bonners Ferry	38	30	ls	39	32	mx	41	32	r
Burley	35	23	pc	33	24	mx	36	24	ls
Challis	33	17	pc	34	24	pc	36	24	mx
Coeur d' Alene	38	30	mx	39	33	r	44	33	r
Elko, NV	36	18	pc	36	24	mc	39	24	mx
Eugene, OR	50	41	r	51	42	r	52	42	r
Gooding	35	25	pc	39	29	sn	40	29	mx
Grace	33	15	ls	33	20	ls	35	20	ls
Hagerman	41	28	pc	45	31	mx	45	31	r
Hailey	32	15	pc	36	21	ls	37	21	ls
Idaho Falls	28	14	pc	30	18	ls	29	18	ls
Kalispell, MT	37	26	c	31	22	ls	35	22	mc
Jerome	35	24	pc	40	27	sn	41	27	mx
Lewiston	50	43	r	45	40	r	46	40	r
Malad City	32	17	mc	32	20	mx	34	20	ls
Malta	38	21	pc	40	23	pc	41	23	ls
McCall	31	18	pc	34	25	sn	34	25	ls
Missoula, MT	38	28	pc	34	24	mx	38	24	r
Pocatello	32	20	pc	36	22	mx	38	22	ls
Portland, OR	51	42	r	52	42	r	52	42	r
Rupert	33	20	pc	36	23	mx	38	23	ls
Rexburg	24	12	pc	26	15	ls	30	15	ls
Richland, WA	49	36	r	48	36	r	53	36	r
Rogerson	33	18	pc	35	24	mc	37	24	sn
Salmon	33	19	pc	36	26	ls	35	26	mx
Salt Lake City, UT	42	27	mc	43	28	mc	47	28	ls
Spokane, WA	42	33	mx	43	35	r	47	35	r
Stanley	33	8	pc	34	18	ls	36	18	ls
Sun Valley	30	11	pc	32	19	ls	34	19	ls
Yellowstone, MT	22	2	mc	24	3	ls	23	3	ls

NATIONAL FORECAST

City	Today Hi	Lo	W	Tomorrow Hi	Lo	W
Atlanta	44	25	pc	48	29	pc
Atlantic City	39	28	hs	34	24	pc
Baltimore	30	21	hs	34	19	pc
Billings	30	16	pc	35	22	pc
Birmingham	45	23	pc	47	28	mc
Boston	33	26	ls	32	24	pc
Charleston, SC	50	31	su	53	33	su
Charleston, WV	27	21	ls	29	18	sn
Chicago	26	14	mc	19	16	pc
Cleveland	29	18	sn	26	17	sn
Denver	39	18	pc	43	22	pc
Des Moines	18	-3	pc	25	14	pc
Detroit	28	20	sn	28	18	ls
El Paso	54	36	r	52	35	r
Fairbanks	22	9	pc	22	9	pc
Fargo	14	-3	pc	18	7	pc
Honolulu	80	66	r	79	68	r
Houston	48	35	mc	43	35	r
Indianapolis	26	13	ls	25	8	pc
Jacksonville	52	33	su	56	38	pc
Kansas City	25	15	pc	34	21	mc
Las Vegas	55	44	r	59	44	pc
Little Rock	33	23	pc	35	25	mx
Los Angeles	59	48	pc	64	49	pc
Memphis	31	19	pc	37	23	mc
Miami	69	46	pc	69	49	pc
Milwaukee	25	14	mc	23	10	pc
Nashville	35	20	pc	36	18	pc
New Orleans	49	36	pc	47	39	mx
New York	33	24	hs	37	24	pc
Oklahoma City	37	28	mc	35	29	ls
Omaha	20	9	pc	28	15	ls
Orlando	59	35	pc	60	39	pc
Philadelphia	33	25	hs	34	19	pc
Phoenix	61	45	r	62	47	pc
Portland, ME	51	42	r	52	42	r
Raleigh	38	25	pc	42	24	su
Rapid City	27	10	pc	32	17	pc
Reno	44	26	pc	48	33	r
Sacramento	58	44	pc	56	45	r
St. Louis	28	9	pc	30	18	pc
St.Paul	19	-8	pc	17	11	pc
Salt Lake City	42	27	mc	43	28	mc
San Diego	59	50	pc	63	52	pc
San Francisco	56	47	pc	56	49	r
Seattle	51	42	r	52	42	r
Tucson	58	36	r	57	37	r
Washington, DC	31	22	hs	34	20	pc

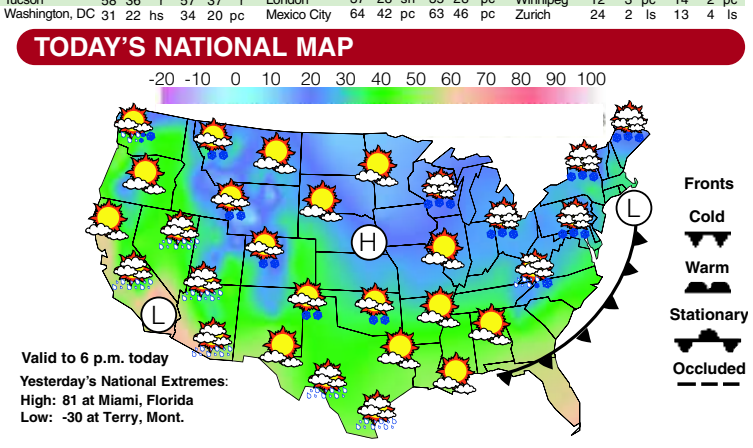
WORLD FORECAST

City	Today Hi	Lo	W	Tomorrow Hi	Lo	W
Acapulco	84	72	pc	85	74	pc
Athens	60	54	r	58	52	pc
Auckland	72	59	r	72	63	r
Bangkok	95	77	pc	94	75	pc
Beijing	31	16	pc	33	17	pc
Berlin	25	20	ls	25	24	ls
Buenos Aires	84	70	th	88	72	th
Cairo	78	54	pc	82	50	pc
Dhahran	78	63	pc	76	60	pc
Geneva	29	7	pc	15	10	pc
Hong Kong	76	64	pc	74	62	r
Jerusalem	70	53	pc	79	53	pc
Johannesburg	77	55	pc	79	61	r
Kuwait City	72	52	pc	70	53	pc
London	37	28	sn	35	28	pc
Mexico City	64	42	pc	63	46	pc
Moscow	16	16	pc	22	10	pc
Nairobi	76	49	pc	77	50	pc
Oslo	23	-12	pc	19	8	pc
Paris	39	24	sn	30	24	pc
Prague	21	18	ls	22	20	ls
Rio de Jane	85	72	th	88	70	pc
Rome	55	40	r	48	36	sn
Santiago	88	53	pc	85	55	pc
Seoul	34	28	ls	35	25	ls
Sydney	85	73	pc	92	71	pc
Tel Aviv	66	65	pc	71	64	pc
Tokyo	40	33	r	37	28	ls
Vienna	29	23	ls	29	22	ls
Warsaw	25	20	pc	32	28	hs
Winnipeg	12	3	pc	14	2	pc
Zurich	24	2	ls	13	4	ls

CANADIAN FORECAST

City	Today Hi	Lo	W	Tomorrow Hi	Lo	W
Calgary	30	16	pc	31	17	pc
Cranbrook	27	17	ls	29	23	ls
Edmonton	29	14	ls	28	16	pc
Kelowna	29	25	ls	30	19	ls
Lethbridge	33	20	pc	34	28	pc
Regina	18	12	pc	23	5	pc
Saskatoon	21	1	pc	25	-1	pc
Toronto	24	15	ls	20	15	pc
Vancouver	39	37	hs	43	38	r
Victoria	43	42	r	48	40	r
Winnipeg	12	3	pc	14	2	pc

TODAY'S NATIONAL MAP



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L.A.-area foothills under mudslide threat

Evacuation ordered for Sierra Madre

By Jacob Adelman
Associated Press writer

LA CANADA FLINTRIDGE, Calif. — Homeowners in mud-ravaged foothill towns north of Los Angeles packed their cars and left Tuesday as evacuation orders took hold and a new winter storm arrived.

Officials issued evacuation orders for 541 homes on the hillsides of La Canada Flintridge, La Crescenta, Acton and two canyons. Los Angeles County sheriff's deputies went door to door, urging people to leave; those who refused signed waivers acknowledging they were aware of the risk.

Sheriff's deputies also asked residents to move their vehicles and trash cans away from the streets, where heavy rain on Saturday caused water and rocks to roar through, smashing cars and concrete barriers together.

Officials also issued evacuation orders late Tuesday for parts of the foothill city of Sierra Madre.

As heavy rain began to fall, the National Weather Service upgraded its previous flash flood watch to a flash flood warning. The warning continued until 5 p.m. for steep slopes of the Angeles National Forest northeast of Los Angeles that were scorched by wildfires last summer and in 2008.

The weather service said as much as a third of an inch of rain per hour was falling and thunderstorms and small hail had been spotted in and around La Canada Flintridge in the afternoon.

Many people heeded the evacuation warning, lugging clothing and backpacks to cars that rolled down roads already crusted with the remains of a weekend mudslide that damaged 43 homes.

About 60 to 70 percent had complied with the evacuation order, sheriff's spokesman Steve Whitmore said.

"People, when they see what happened last Saturday, they're ready to move," he said.

"They know what's at stake," said sheriff's Sgt. Bob Furman, who was taking a lap along the mud-crusted streets to clear out stragglers. "They've been through this before."

Lyn Slotky, 62, packed a red suitcase holding a change of clothes and her nervous Labrador into her Honda hatchback.

"I'm just waiting for it to start to drizzle a little bit. Then I'm out of here," she said.

She wanted to be gone before new rain washed away huge banks of mud that have lined the streets from last weekend's downpour.

Slotky said she was afraid that the gnarled branches, boulders and bricks embedded in the mud would be a hazard as they washed down the street.

She and her husband slept through the last flow, which swept covered her mailbox and those of her neighbors.

Maureen Kindred said she was remaining in her home with her son.

"I'm not afraid, I just don't want to have to clean up everything. I'd rather stay here and fight it," she said.

Kindred said if she had not been home last weekend, her home would have been a muddy wreck like her neighbors.

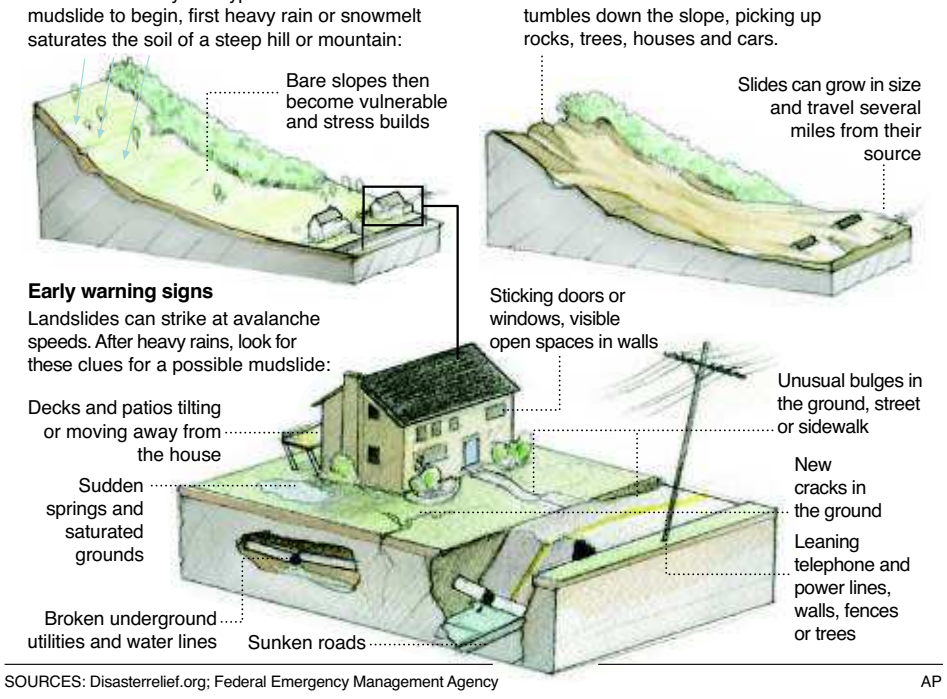
"We literally fought it," she said of the oozing mud and water. "We fought it with buckets and mops and spades and we dug a canal. We did everything we could to keep water from entering the house, and we succeeded."

Del Tucker, 78, and his 77-year-old wife Francis chose to remain in their home on a sloping street.

"I don't think the danger is that great or, obviously, we'd leave," said Tucker, a retired geology professor. "That doesn't mean we're right. We could die."

Damaging effects of a mudslide

Officials issued evacuation orders for 541 homes in the Los Angeles area. Land and mudslides kill 25 to 50 people every year in the U.S. and cause as estimated $1 billion in damge.



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Over 60 feared dead in Afghan avalanches

By Rahim Faiez
Associated Press writer

KABUL — A series of avalanches engulfed a mountain pass in Afghanistan, trapping hundreds of people in their buried cars and killing as many as 64 people so far, authorities said Tuesday.

Rescuers brought in bulldozers, ambulances and helicopters in a massive effort to reach victims stuck in the frigid snow along the 12,700-feet-high Salang Pass, which links the Afghan capital Kabul with the northern city of Mazar-i-Sharif.

About 2,500 people were rescued from their snowbound vehicles, including more than 400 injured.

"Twenty-four bodies have been recovered so far, but the fear is that there could be up to 40 more still buried and unfortunately, they might have died already," Interior Minister Hanif Atmar said at a news conference in Kabul. "That's the best estimate we have at this moment."

The avalanches struck Monday, burying vehicles along several miles of road under heavy snow.

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Kitchen challenge: Can you present the prettiest plate?

Attractive plating hardly seems like a challenge when the fare is gourmet, served from a commercial kitchen with a practiced staff. Diners rightfully expect the slices of meat arranged just so, and the garnishes prettily swirled and sprinkled and clustered.

But what about the harried home cook who's working solo with everyday ingredients? That's when an aesthetically pleasing plate really impresses. And that's whom we're inviting to teach our readers a thing or two about culinary presentation.

We're looking for volunteer contestants in the *Times-News'* Pretty Plate challenge, and here's how it works:

From those who volunteer by Friday, we'll choose up to five contestants. Then we'll specify a meal of cheap, simple food that each contestant will prepare in his or her home kitchen — garnishing the plate with no more than $2 worth of additional ingredients. A reporter and photographer will visit each contestant's kitchen at an appointed time to photograph the finished plate and talk to the cook about plating techniques.

We'll show *Times-News* readers the results and let them vote on the Pretty Plate champion. The prizes in this contest: simple bragging rights, and that satisfying feeling that you're the best.

To volunteer as a contestant, send an e-mail to virginia.hutchins@lee.net by Friday, with "Pretty Plate" in the subject line. Include your contact information, your town of residence and enough information about you and your kitchen skills to intrigue our reporters.

A TASTE OF EUROPE

Pastry traditions bring decadence home

Photos by ARIEL HANSEN/ Times-News

Like most European pastry, this Black Forest cake is made from a recipe with traditional, simple ingredients. But added all together by bakers like Nancy Rutherford of Ketchum's Rolling in Dough, they become sublime.

By Ariel Hansen
Times-News writer

KETCHUM — Linzer tortes, Basque cakes, petite madeleines. Even the names of European pastries sound decadent, melting in your mouth like the butter many are made of.

European pastry has a reputation for being complicated, difficult to make and packed full of calories, and some of that reputation is deserved, said Nancy Rutherford, owner of Rolling in Dough, a bakery that recently opened a Ketchum storefront after two years of operating from a commercial kitchen in her home.

But it's more about lifestyle.

"Because it's very labor-intensive, nobody does it anymore," she said. "Everybody buys frozen dough."

One of the most important elements of European pastry is the purity and quality of the ingredients, which are mostly exactly the same as they were hundreds of years ago.

"Some of these (recipes) go back so far the countries weren't even countries," Rutherford said. By and large, they contain flour, eggs, sugar or honey, milk or cream, and butter. Definitely butter and not margarine, Rutherford said, because the two products not only taste different, but have different melting points.

"Butter melts in your mouth, and margarine doesn't," she said.

The shift to substitution ingredients — like margarine for butter, or artificial sweeteners for sugar or honey — is part of how bakers in the U.S. have altered many traditional recipes to give them greater shelf life or make them less expensive to produce. The greater alteration, though, is that so many pastries are now made in factories.

Marshmallows, for example.

"It's a type of meringue, in its simplest form. Marshmallows are only sugar and egg white and gelatin," Rutherford said. And they're easy to make at home, but also easy to buy by the pre-produced bagful for a campout. "Nobody really makes them traditionally anymore."

Don't assume that what is commonly thought of in the U.S. as being European pastry is much like the old-world recipe, and if you get the chance to try pastries made in the traditional way, jump at it.

"Most croissants you get are so soggy, they don't have any of the crisp flakiness. (People are) just so shocked when they eat one that's really good," Rutherford said. She noted that European bakeries can be found in all kinds of odd corners of the country, like one she knows of in Driggs, as well as more cosmopolitan places like Boise. "Search out a place that makes the real thing and eat it. You won't be sorry!"

But if you fall in love, be prepared to make some changes in your lifestyle to accommodate your new-found passion — or pay the price.

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After smearing her Linzer tortes with raspberry jam, Nancy Rutherford rolls the remaining dough into thin cylinders to place in a crosshatch pattern over the top. European pastry requires patience and elbow grease, she says, but mostly practice.

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WANT TO TRY IT?

If you are interested in attempting European pastry at home, here are baker Nancy Rutherford's suggestions for how to get started:

- **Determine** what kind of pastry you want to try. "French pastries are smaller and tend to be rich. German pastries are more afternoon cakes that tend to be lighter," she said.
- **Ask bakers** you respect which cookbook they recommend. Rutherford said she suggests people new to pastry begin with "Martha Stewart's Pies & Tarts." "Pies and tarts are about as simple as it gets," she said. "She does a great job of taking classical recipes and breaking them down to make them easy to use."
- **Invest in** a few must-have tools. Rutherford said her essentials are a bench knife (a flat-edged, unsharpened square of metal with a handle, which she uses to cut dough and clean her work surfaces) and a French rolling pin (a slightly curved cylinder of wood with no handles, which she says is less work because it's lighter, and it's easier to make what she is rolling out round).

"I don't think you need to spend money on a whole bunch of stuff," she said, specifically targeting unusual shapes of pans and pots. "There's no end to it, because there are so many traditional recipes."

- **Patience**, patience, patience. And then more patience. "You'd probably mess it up a few times unless you had somebody show you," Rutherford said. "It has taken me six years of making croissants to learn to make good ones. You can only really get it from someone who knows what they're doing, or practicing."

Although some traditional recipes like these madeleine cookies call for a specialized pan to get their distinctive shape, many European pastries can be made with few unusual tools and ingredients.

Reader mail: The facts of life about coupon overage

COUPON QUEEN
Jill Cataldo

A reader wrote in with a question about overage. It's an issue many Super-Couponers ask me about.

"I recently printed some coupons for $2.50 off picture hanging hooks. Then, I saw the hooks on clearance for 99 cents. I was so excited to think that I would get the item for free and possibly make money. The checker and the manager weren't going to let me use the coupon, but decided to give me the item for free, with 99 cents of the coupon's value. When I told them that I thought the company reimburses the amount of the coupon to them and that they should give me the difference, they said that was not true. What do you think?"

Whenever the value of a coupon exceeds the cost of the item that a shopper buys, interesting things start to happen! Couponers refer to the difference between the cost of the item and the value of the coupon as "overage."

When a coupon exceeds the cost of an item, many stores will scan the coupon, give you the item for free and automatically apply the coupon overage to everything else you're purchasing. If your stores allow overage, clearly, this can be a great way to reduce your entire bill! But it's important to remember that overage is a privilege, not a right. Stores also reserve the right to adjust the value of the coupon down to match the cost of the item, which is what happened to you.

You still got your item for free but the coupon didn't "pay you" to take it home.

If you find yourself in a situation where you may have a negative total at the register, you must add other items to your shopping trip to "eat up" that overage before you start to check out, or you will have issues with the register. Most cash registers will lock up if they go into negative numbers, simply because the store can't legally issue you that overage difference in cash.

If you were only buying your 99-cent item with a $2.50 coupon, the register could not proceed. The cashier would have no choice but to adjust that coupon's value down.

We can never demand overage, but it's definitely a big bonus of coupon shopping.

Stores allow overage because they will be reimbursed for the full value of the coupon when they go to redeem it with a manufacturer. So while your item cost 99 cents, when the coupon goes to the clearinghouse, a machine will scan it and calculate the total redemption that the store will receive. Your coupon will deliver the store $2.50 in value. It's important to remember that when stores allow customers to use overage, they're not losing money — they're simply passing that savings on to the shopper. They will be reimbursed for the full amount of the coupon.

If a store chooses to adjust a coupon's value down to the point where the item you're purchasing is free, but the store doesn't "pay you" the remaining value of the coupon, the store keeps that overage difference for itself instead of passing it to you. Again, it's important to understand that they're well within their rights to do so.

Remember, too, that we can also get coupon overage via stacking coupons. If we stack one store and one manufacturer coupon together, the value of the two coupons together may also exceed the item's cost. I bought a deodorant recently that was on sale for $2.19. I had a $1.50 store coupon and I also had a $1 manufacturer coupon. Stacking those two together gave me $2.50 savings on the deodorant. I took the deodorant home for free. The 31 cents in overage was applied to some bananas I bought in the same trip.

Next week, we'll discuss overage in conjunction with instant-savings deals at the store. These sales can be an excellent way for the store to "pay you to shop," too — with overage you're guaranteed to get.

E-mail your couponing coups and questions to jill@ctwfeatures.com.

Dinner in 20 minutes: Broiled salmon

By Bonnie S. Benwick
The Washington Post

This simple preparation is built for good-quality, wild-caught salmon. Unfortunately, you might not find it in your local fish market. So try the recipe with the best farm-raised salmon you can buy. Or, as you see here, use wild-caught steelhead trout from the North Atlantic, which is a great substitute for the good stuff.

Serve with — what else? — some nice boiled potatoes. Fingerlings can cook in about the time it takes to produce the salmon, so start with them first. Season them with salt and pepper, then toss them with butter and chopped parsley.

Wine columnist Dave McIntyre suggests serving the fish with a glass of Riesling.

Adapted from Colman Andrews' "The Country Cooking of Ireland'' (Chronicle, 2009).

BROILED SALMON WITH BUTTER AND HONEY

4 servings

Four 3/4-inch to 1-inch-thick skin-on or skinless salmon fillets (24 to 32 ounces total; of equal thickness)
2 teaspoons coarse sea salt
1/2 lemon
1/2 cup dry white wine
2 tablespoons unsalted butter, preferably Irish
1 tablespoon honey

Position the top oven rack 4 to 6 inches from the broiling element; preheat the broiler.

Place the salmon fillets skin (or skinned) side down on a broiling pan or in a roasting pan with an uncoated wire rack inside. Sprinkle the sea salt evenly over the fish, pressing the crystals into the surface.

Squeeze the lemon half (1 or 2 tablespoons of juice) into a small saucepan. Add the wine and butter. Heat over medium heat, stirring until the butter melts, then add the honey and stir to incorporate. Use all of the mixture to brush on the fillets. Broil for 6 to 9 minutes (for a fairly rare interior) or longer to the desired degree of doneness, until slightly caramelized on top and just done.

Divide the fillets among individual plates; spoon pan juices over the fish, if desired. Serve hot.

Per serving: 332 calories, 34 g protein, 5 g carbohydrates, 16 g fat, 6 g saturated fat, 109 mg cholesterol, 1,142 mg sodium, 0 g dietary fiber, 4 g sugar.

BILL O'LEARY/Washington Post

If you can't find wild-caught salmon for this Broiled Salmon With Butter and Honey dish, try the recipe with the best farm-raised salmon you can buy.

A light dessert that's simple to make

By Stephanie Witt Sedgwick
Special to The Washington Post

My father has always loved tapioca pudding; I was more of a rice pudding person throughout my youth. As an adult, though, I've joined his camp. I appreciate the lightness of tapioca, especially when I make it with the small-pearl variety. The tapioca becomes translucent as it cooks, suspended in the pudding. It looks great, and it's fun to eat.

The tapioca for this recipe has to be soaked overnight before cooking, but after that the recipe is fairly simple. I've lightened it by halving the amount of eggs. I can't tell the difference.

To make this more of a grown-up dessert, I layer the tapioca with a homemade blueberry sauce. The sauce, made with frozen blueberries, takes minutes to create and provides a nice berry blast.

The parfait's components — the pudding and the sauce — can be made a day in advance. Assemble the parfaits just before serving. The recipe uses only about half of the blueberry sauce. Use the remaining sauce on pancakes or French toast, with yogurt or cottage cheese.

TAPIOCA PARFAIT WITH BLUEBERRY SAUCE

Makes 8 servings (4 cups of tapioca pudding) and 2 cups of sauce.

For the tapioca:
1/2 cup small-pearl tapioca
3 cups low-fat (2-percent) milk
1/8 teaspoon salt
1/2 cup sugar
1 large egg, lightly beaten
1 teaspoon vanilla extract

For the sauce:
1 pound frozen blueberries, defrosted (3 cups)
3/4 cup sugar
1/2 cup water
Freshly grated zest and juice of 1 lemon (1 teaspoon zest and 2 tablespoons juice)
1 tablespoon cornstarch
1 teaspoon vanilla extract

For the tapioca: Place it in a plastic container, then add water to cover by about 3 inches. Cover the container and refrigerate overnight.

To make the pudding, drain the tapioca pearls and discard the water. Whisk together the tapioca pearls, the milk, salt, sugar and egg in a medium pot over medium heat; cook for about 15 minutes, whisking constantly, until the pudding thickens. Remove from the heat and let sit for 15 minutes. Add the vanilla extract, stirring to incorporate.

At this point, the pudding can be served warm; or cool it completely and refrigerate until ready to serve.

For the sauce: Combine the blueberries, sugar, water and lemon zest in a medium saucepan over medium heat. Cook, stirring, until the sugar dissolves and the liquid begins to bubble at the edges. Reduce the heat to medium-low and cook for 10 minutes, stirring occasionally. The mixture will be barely bubbling at the edges.

Meanwhile, dissolve the cornstarch in the lemon juice in a measuring cup, then add to the saucepan, stirring to incorporate. Increase the heat to medium-high; once the mixture comes to a boil, cook for 2 to 3 minutes, until thickened.

Remove from the heat and let cool for 15 minutes, then add the vanilla extract and mix well.

To make the parfaits, have ready 8 small sundae, parfait or martini glasses. Place a generous spoonful of tapioca in the bottom of each one; add a layer of the blueberry sauce, a layer of tapioca, another layer of blueberry sauce and then a last layer of tapioca. Top with a few of the blueberries taken out of the sauce. Serve immediately.

Per serving (using half the sauce): 232 calories, 4 g protein, 49 g carbohydrates, 3 g fat, 1 g saturated fat, 34 mg cholesterol, 92 mg sodium, 1 g dietary fiber, 39 g sugar.

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Choosing the right ingredients will lighten up little cupcakes

By Jim Romanoff
For The Associated Press

Cupcakes, a favorite indulgence, can get a health boost by choosing the right ingredients. These orange-buttermilk cupcakes with cream cheese frosting use whole-wheat pastry flour and less oil than traditional recipes.

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Though cupcakes are by definition a portion-controlled dessert, don't let their diminutive size fool you.

It's not at all unusual for a cupcake recipe to include a cup or more of butter. And that's before you even start making the frosting. However, with a couple of tweaks you can make a cupcake that's a bit lighter and healthier.

For starters, ditch the butter in favor of canola oil, which has far less saturated fat and contains healthier monounsaturated fats.

In many cases, you also can cut the total amount of fat by replacing as much as half of it with fruit butters and purees, such as applesauce or apple butter. These work well because they contain lots of pectin, which like fat helps to keep baked goods tender.

By replacing half of the all-purpose flour with whole-wheat flour, you can give cupcakes a healthful boost of fiber and other nutrients, without compromising taste and texture.

Whole-wheat pastry flour (rather than bread or all-purpose) is preferable in cakes and pastries because it has less protein, which tends to make baked goods tougher and chewier.

This orange-buttermilk cupcake recipe uses whole-wheat pastry flour and contains only 1/3 cup of canola oil for the entire batch of 18 cupcakes. Frozen orange juice concentrate does triple duty by adding moisture along with natural sweetness and an intense citrus flavor.

The frosting for the cupcakes is made with reduced-fat cream cheese, but to cut fat and calories even more you can make a glaze by whisking together 2 tablespoons of orange juice, 1/2 teaspoon of orange zest and 1 1/4 to 1 1/2 cups of powdered sugar. Drizzle the glaze over the cooled cupcakes just before serving.

ORANGE-BUTTERMILK CUPCAKES WITH CREAM CHEESE FROSTING

Start to finish: 1 1/2 hours (40 minutes active). Makes 18 cupcakes.

For the cupcakes:

1 cup all-purpose flour
1 cup whole-wheat pastry flour
1 teaspoon baking powder
1/2 teaspoon baking soda
1/2 teaspoon salt
3/4 cup granulated sugar
1/2 cup nonfat buttermilk
1/2 cup frozen orange juice concentrate
1/3 cup canola oil
2 large eggs
1 teaspoon vanilla extract

For the frosting:

8 ounces reduced-fat cream cheese, softened
1/3 cup powdered sugar
2 tablespoons frozen orange juice concentrate

Heat the oven to 350 degrees. Line 18 muffin tins with cupcake liners.

To make the cupcakes, in a medium bowl whisk together both flours, the baking powder, baking soda and salt.

In another medium bowl, combine the granulated sugar, buttermilk, orange juice concentrate, oil and eggs. Whisk thoroughly until the orange juice concentrate is dissolved.

Add the wet ingredients to the dry and fold just until blended. Divide the batter among the 18 cups (each cupcake should be about half full). Bake until the tops spring back when lightly touched and a toothpick inserted at the center comes out clean, 18 to 22 minutes.

Cool the pans on a rack until the cupcakes are cool enough to handle. Remove the cupcakes from the pan and cool completely on a rack before frosting, about 40 minutes.

To make the frosting, in a medium bowl combine cream cheese, powdered sugar and orange juice concentrate. Use an electric mixer to beat until smooth and creamy.

Per serving: 175 calories; 60 calories from fat; 7 g fat (2 g saturated; 0 g trans fats); 26 mg cholesterol; 26 g carbohydrate; 4 g protein; 1 g fiber; 179 mg sodium.

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Simple butter and sugar give this small almond cake its mouthwatering shine.

Pastries

Continued from Food 1

"People who ate a baguette at lunch and had a Linzer torte for dessert probably walked 10 miles with their cow that day," Rutherford said, thinking back to when these rich recipes were developed. "If people were just more active, they could eat whatever they wanted."

European pastries are also about quality over quantity, she said, which make them a great thing for the home baker to explore. Start simply, and work your way up to complex recipes like the St. Honore cake, which includes caramel, pate a choux, puff pastry and pastry cream.

"When you do this every day, it's not complicated. It's just putting the components together," Rutherford said.

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Carbs and protein, as well as hydration, are what you need after a serious workout, and this blueberry-pomegranate smoothie is a delicious way to get them all.

Replenish protein, carbs and fluid with a smoothie

By Jim Romanoff
For The Associated Press

Sports drinks can be so much more — and so much healthier — than those brightly colored sugar drinks sold alongside the sodas.

Those drinks are fine for hydration, which is essential for a healthy workout. But when you've just finished exerting yourself, what your body really craves is a good jolt of carbohydrates and protein, and a protein shake is a delicious and satisfying way to get it.

Carbohydrates replenish your supply of glycogen, which is the fuel stored in your muscles that powers physical activity. Protein helps your body repair muscles after strenuous exercise.

Fruits and whole-grain breads are a good, natural source of unrefined carbohydrates. For proteins, consider low-fat dairy products such as yogurt or low-fat cheese. Nuts and nut butters also can provide plenty of protein. While these are somewhat high in fats, it's the kind of heart-healthy fats that won't undo all the cardio benefits of the exercise you just finished.

While there are many protein powders and canned products on the market that can be used as the base of a protein shake, there is another ingredient that can give you surprisingly creamy results — tofu.

Tofu is available in several textures ranging from extra-firm, which is best suited for stir-fries and salads, to extra-soft (often called silken), which has a custard-like texture and is good for using in desserts, such as puddings.

This sweet and tangy blueberry-pomegranate protein smoothie uses silken tofu as a base and is nutritionally fortified with two antioxidant-rich fruits. Blending in a banana enhances the creaminess, and also helps neutralize tofu's sometimes chalky flavor.

Any frozen fruits can be swapped for the blueberries. Look in the freezer case at your grocer for bags of individually quick-frozen strawberries, raspberries and blackberries, along with conveniently diced peaches, melons and various tropical fruits.

If you want to boost the protein in this shake even more, you can substitute soy milk for some or all of the juice, but you may need to adjust the sweetness level to suit your tastes.

BLUEBERRY-POMEGRANATE PROTEIN SMOOTHIE

Start to finish: 10 minutes. Servings: 2.

8 ounces extra-soft silken tofu
1 cup frozen blueberries
1 cup pomegranate juice
1 medium ripe banana, cut into 1-inch pieces
1 to 2 tablespoons honey, or to taste
1 tablespoon toasted wheat germ (optional)

In a blender, combine the tofu, blueberries, pomegranate juice, banana, honey and wheat germ (if using). Blend until smooth and creamy. Serve immediately or cover and refrigerate for up to 6 hours.

Per serving: 241 calories; 29 calories from fat; 3 g fat (0 g saturated; 0 g trans fats); 0 mg cholesterol; 49 g carbohydrate; 7 g protein; 4 g fiber; 16 mg sodium.

Healthy, tasty meat? The secret is in the sauce

By Jim Romanoff
For The Associated Press

The trouble with light entrees is that low-fat proteins generally are at the heart of the dish. While this is great for your health, it often is wanting in flavor. How to make it work? The secret can be in the sauce.

As long as you don't go crazy with the butter and cream, sauces can be a stealthy healthy tool for adding tons of flavor and moisture.

There are several ways to make a sauce that is both flavorful and low in calories and fat.

When you cook a chicken breast, steak, pork chop and most other lean proteins in a saute pan, you generally end up with some browned, caramelized bits called fond stuck to the bottom of the pan.

That fond can be turned into a flavorful sauce. Just remove the meat from the pan, return the pan to the heat, add some liquid, then use a wooden spoon to scrape the bottom. The resulting sauce can be seasoned, then simmered down until thickened.

This process — called deglazing — can be done with wine, broth or even water. If you like, before you deglaze you also can brown some aromatics, such as chopped shallots or onions, in the pan to add even more flavor.

Another route to a flavorful, low-fat sauce is to use fresh or dried fruit simmered with broth, vinegar or both.

This fresh cherry sauce is sweet, yet savory, and can turn simple sauteed turkey cutlets or chicken breasts into an entree worthy of company. Frozen cherries work fine, too.

SAUTEED TURKEY BREAST WITH FRESH CHERRY SAUCE

Start to finish: 45 minutes (20 minutes active). Servings: 4.

2 tablespoons olive oil, divided
1/3 cup chopped shallots
1 pound fresh cherries, pitted and halved (about 2 cups)
6 tablespoons balsamic vinegar
6 tablespoons reduced-sodium chicken broth
1 tablespoon Dijon mustard
1/2 teaspoon salt, divided
1/4 cup all-purpose flour
1/4 teaspoon ground black pepper
1 pound turkey cutlets

In a medium saucepan over medium-high, heat 1 tablespoon of the oil. Add the shallots and cook, stirring often, until they are soft and beginning to color, about 4 minutes.

Add the cherries, balsamic vinegar and chicken broth, then bring to a boil. Reduce the heat so that the mixture maintains a vigorous simmer and cook, stirring occasionally, until the mixture is reduced by about half, about 25 minutes.

Stir in the mustard and 1/4 teaspoon of the salt. Cook for 5 minutes more. Remove from the heat and set aside.

In a shallow dish, combine the flour, the remaining 1/4 teaspoon salt and the pepper. Coat both sides of the turkey cutlets with the flour mixture.

In a large nonstick skillet over medium-high, heat the remaining tablespoon of oil. Add the cutlets and cook until lightly browned on both sides and no longer pink at the center, about 2 minutes per side. Serve the cutlets topped with cherry sauce.

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The right sauce can help make a healthy but sometimes bland piece of meat intensely flavorful. The sauce for this sauteed turkey breast starts with the fond left after cooking the turkey and uses fresh cherries to create a sweet and savory entree.

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A spice for everything and every spice in its place

By Jennifer Graue
Contra Costa Times

Admit it. As someone who enjoys cooking, you've succumbed to the siren song of exotic spices, gourmet salts and flavored oils and vinegars that promised to elevate meals to haute splendor.

But now they're just a jumble of jars in your spice cabinet, pushed to the back in favor of the latest and greatest new condiment, or by your old standbys — the herbs you use with much greater frequency.

Your spice cabinet is a good place to exercise your urge to organize. In fact, disorganization in this cupboard may actually be detrimental to the quality of your cooking, not to mention the state of your pocketbook.

Your spices may be significantly older than you realize. Ideally, ground spices should be used within a few months, whole spices within a year. As they get older, they lose flavor and can even become bitter or rancid. Just remember: Old Spice belongs on your grandfather's face, not in your kitchen.

Per ounce, herbs and spices are probably the most expensive ingredients in your kitchen. Some of us probably have hundreds of dollars invested in them. If you don't know exactly what's in your cabinet, you're letting that investment sit idle. And you're probably spending far too much time searching for a jar that's buried in the back.

By using tips from a professional organizer, knowledge of your own cooking habits and some simple culinary wisdom, you can create a clutter-free spice cabinet tailored for you.

1. Empty everything out.

Put everything on a countertop or table so you can see exactly what you have. At that point, says San Jose professional organizer Susan Kloss, the jars and bottles will start to speak for themselves. "You can see that you have five jars of mustard seed," she says, or that "the jar of ginger is sticky, cloudy and has dust on the lid." Then, ditch the old and excess.

2. Group like with like.

You already started this step by discarding duplicates. Now take it further by grouping all your oils, vinegars, salts, and other similar items together. Since people tend to cook more often than they bake, Kloss says she puts baking items like baking powder, cream of tartar, cinnamon and nutmeg in a box on a higher shelf.

3. Consider the 80/20 rule.

"We tend to use 20 percent of our stuff 80 percent of the time," says Kloss. "The other 80 percent is 'squatting' on precious real estate and making everyday items harder to find." If you don't want to get rid of 80 percent of your spices, at least make sure you keep the most-used 20 percent near the front.

4. Find new storage spaces.

This includes countertops. Kloss says it's OK to leave a few things that you use every single day — salt, pepper and olive oil, for example — out in the open. She suggests putting them on a tray or a nice lazy susan to make it look purposeful. Consider storing poppy or sesame seeds, which tend to go rancid quickly, in the freezer to extend their shelf life.

5. Grow fresh herbs.

Grow parsley, chives and basil in a sunny window or keep a pot of rosemary outside. These herbs are much better fresh than dried.

6. Keep a Sharpie handy.

Kloss recommends putting the date on the jar when you bring it home, and tossing it after a year. This method might actually make you find recipes to use things up instead of letting them languish for years in the back of the cabinet.

7. Make your own blends.

Most seasoning blends are made with things you already have on hand. If you have cinnamon, ginger, allspice and nutmeg, you don't really need pumpkin or apple pie spice. Conversely, buy the blend if you're going to have to buy two or more new items to make it.

8. Grind your own spices.

Do you really need cumin seeds and ground cumin? Whole cloves and ground cloves? It may be worth it to get a spice grinder or mortar and pestle and grind them yourself. You'll spend a few extra seconds, but the flavor of freshly ground spices is superior, plus whole spices last longer.

9. Think in terms of cuisine.

If you mostly cook Mexican and Italian food at home, do you really need a whole jar of fenugreek for that once-a-year Indian feast? Consider buying just what you'll need for a recipe from bulk spice bins at gourmet or organic markets.

10. Size matters.

If space is an issue, don't buy big bulk containers of spices just because they seem like a good deal, unless you'll actually use it within a year. Sometimes space is more valuable than the few pennies you'll save.

MCT photo
From top, cinnamon, tandoori blend, dill, sweet Spanish paprika, fenugreek, cloves and curry, along with cardamom pods, fenugreek seeds, bay leaf and star anise.

BASIC CURRY POWDER

1 teaspoon ground cumin
1 teaspoon ground coriander
1/2 teaspoon ground turmeric
1/4 teaspoon ground ginger
Pinch dried mustard
Pinch cayenne

TACO SEASONING

Instead of buying packets of taco seasoning at the store, you can make your own with common spice cabinet ingredients. Not only does it cut down on cabinet clutter, it's less expensive, too. This tastes the same but without the telltale orange color. If you want that, add a little paprika. Use less salt for a low-sodium version.

2 teaspoons minced onion flakes
1 teaspoon salt
1 teaspoon chili powder
1/2 teaspoon cornstarch
1/2 teaspoon crushed red pepper flakes
1/2 teaspoon garlic powder
1/2 teaspoon ground cumin
1/4 teaspoon oregano

Blend ingredients together in a small bowl. Makes 2 tablespoons, enough to season 1 pound of ground beef. Use it as you would a commercial packet of taco seasoning, by adding about 1/4 cup water to the ground beef along with the seasoning.

ITALIAN SEASONING

1 teaspoon marjoram
1/2 teaspoon thyme
1/2 teaspoon basil
1/2 teaspoon oregano
1/4 teaspoon sage
1/4 teaspoon rosemary

SAUTE LIKE A PRO

Times-News

Randy King, executive chef at Sysco of Idaho, will teach a cooking class titled "Techniques in Sauteing" next week in Twin Falls.

King

It's set for 7-9 p.m. Feb. 18 at Rudy's — A Cook's Paradise, 147 Main Ave. W. Cost is $45.

"This class will teach the fundamental but often poorly executed cooking technique of sauteing," a Rudy's class announcement said. "Say goodbye to food sticking to your pan and hello to beautifully seared meat and perfectly cooked veggies."

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NATION & WORLD

Iran boosts nuclear enrichment, drawing warnings

By Nasser Karimi
Associated Press writer

TEHRAN, Iran — Iranian nuclear technicians set dozens of centrifuges spinning Tuesday to begin enriching uranium stocks to a significantly higher level, prompting President Barack Obama to warn of a "significant regime of sanctions."

Iran's acceleration in its enrichment program was a defiant step that puts weapons-grade uranium in closer reach, should Tehran choose to go after the bomb. It was also another in a series of mixed messages that appeared calculated to boost Iran's leverage in negotiations with world powers on limiting its nuclear program.

Only days ago, President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad said Iran was ready to send its stockpiled uranium — currently enriched to safer, low levels — to Russia and France for processing into fuel rods to power a research reactor. That was proposed last year in a U.N.-drafted plan aimed at eliminating Iran's ability to enrich those stocks to higher levels needed for making warheads.

> "Whenever they provide the fuel, we will halt production of 20 percent."
> **— Ali Akbar Salehi, the head of Iran's nuclear program**

Obama, speaking at a surprise appearance in the White house briefing room, said the sanctions process is moving along quickly, but he gave no specific timeline.

In his most extensive remarks on Iran in some time, Obama said Iran appeared to have spurned his offer of engagement.

But even announcing its latest step, Iran was careful to leave the door open to a negotiated solution, saying it would stop the work if the West found a way to provide it with fuel for the research reactor, which makes radio isotopes for use in cancer treatment.

"Whenever they provide the fuel, we will halt production of 20 percent," Ali Akbar Salehi, the head of Iran's nuclear program, told state TV late Monday.

He was referring to the level of enrichment necessary for the Tehran reactor. Iran's current stockpile has been spun to a level of 3.5 percent, suitable for use in fueling power plants, which is Iran's primary stated aim for its enrichment program.

The United States and its allies in Europe suspect Iran is using such civilian work to mask an effort to develop a weapons capability. Central to their concern is uranium enrichment, which at levels of 90 percent provide a possible pathway to nuclear arms production.

Iran denies it wants to produce weapons but has defied U.N. resolutions demanding it halt enrichment as a way of easing the concerns.

Even before the announcement, U.S. Defense Secretary Robert Gates said he believed the U.N. should slap new sanctions on Iran in "weeks, not months," according to his spokesman.

Sky-high drama

The New York Times/AP photo

A man looks out over the skyline of Dubai from the observation deck on the 124th floor of the Burj Khalifa in Dubai on Jan. 12.

Dubai tower shut after visitors stuck in elevator

By Adam Schreck
Associated Press writer

DUBAI, United Arab Emirates — Visitors on the observation deck of the world's tallest tower heard a loud boom, then saw dust that looked like smoke seeping through a crack in an elevator door 124 floors above the ground. The 15 people inside were trapped for 45 frightening minutes until rescuers managed to pry open the doors.

Because the elevator was apparently stuck between floors, rescuers had to drop a ladder into the shaft so those inside could crawl out. On the observation deck, about 60 more people were stranded and some began to panic.

Shortly after the drama unfolded on Saturday evening, the half-mile-high Burj Khalifa that was supposed to be one of Dubai's proudest achievements shut down to the public just a month after its grandiose opening. It was the latest embarrassment for the once-booming Gulf city-state that is now mired in a deep financial crisis.

Witnesses who were on the 124th floor observation deck at the time and a Dubai rescue official recounted on Tuesday the chain of events that led up to the shutdown in interviews with The Associated Press.

Emaar Properties, the state-linked company that owns Burj Khalifa, has said little about the incident and nothing about an elevator malfunction. It had no comment Tuesday.

It remains unclear what caused the elevator to the observation deck — the only part of the building that was open — to fail.

Michael Timms, 31, an American telecommunications engineer who lives in Dubai, was on the observation deck with his cousin Michele Moscato when the ordeal began.

"It almost sounded like a small explosion. It was a really loud bang," Timms said.

It would take another 45 minutes for rescue crews to arrive and pry open the elevator door, he said.

From what he saw, the elevator's roof looked to be about where the floor should have been, so rescuers hoisted a ladder into the shaft to help those trapped inside crawl out. Some were clearly shaken.

"One lady I saw ... she didn't say a word," Timms said. "She just looked shocked and dazed, then walked directly to the wall and sat down on the floor."

Abu Naseer, a spokesman for Dubai's civil defense department, said the call for help came in around 6:20 p.m. Saturday evening. Emergency crews used another elevator to reach the observation deck and were able to rescue all 15 people in the elevator unharmed, he said.

The incident was the latest to tarnish the international reputation of Dubai, one of seven small sheikdoms that make up the United Arab Emirates.

In recent years, Dubai boomed on borrowed wealth that went into extravagant real estate projects such as islands shaped like palm trees and rows of striking new skyscrapers.

Then the financial crisis hit and real estate prices plunged to half their value in a year. The government and many state-run companies struggled to pay their bills — debts that surpassed $80 billion. Abu Dhabi, the UAE capital and Dubai's oil-rich neighbor, pumped $20 billion in bailout funds to rescue Dubai.

In a nod to the bailout patron, the tower originally known as Burj Dubai was renamed Burj Khalifa for the emir of Abu Dhabi and UAE president Sheik Khalifa bin Zayed Al Nahyan. The surprise renaming was announced at the lavish opening ceremony on Jan. 4.

Emaar, which owns the 2,717-foot building, has not responded to specific questions about the incident that led to the shutdown or made anyone available to speak despite repeated requests by the AP.

Local newspapers reported the shutdown on Monday but it was still not clear exactly when the building was closed.

Emaar issued a brief statement in response to questions Monday saying the viewing platform was temporarily shut for "maintenance and upgrade" because of "unexpected high traffic." It also hinted at electrical problems, saying "technical issues with the power supply are being worked on by the main and subcontractors."

Emaar has made no mention of problems with the elevators, angering some of those involved in the incident.

AP photo

U.S. Marine Brigadier General Larry Nicholson speaks to U.S. Marines of the 2nd MEB, 3rd Battalion, 6th Marines at Belleau Wood outpost outside Marjah in Afghanistan's Helmand province Tuesday.

U.S. poised to seize Afghan town as Taliban dig in

By Alfred de Montesquiou and Robert H. Reid
Associated Press writers

NEAR MARJAH, Afghanistan — U.S. and Afghan forces pushed Tuesday to the edge of the southern Afghan town of Marjah, poised to seize the major Taliban supply and drug-smuggling stronghold in hopes of building public support by providing aid and services once the insurgents are gone.

Instead of keeping the offensive secret, Americans have been talking about it for weeks, expecting the Taliban would flee. But the militants appear to be digging in, apparently believing that even a losing fight would rally supporters and sabotage U.S. plans if the battle proves destructive.

No date for the main attack has been announced but all signs indicate it will come soon. It will be the first major offensive since President Barack Obama announced last December that he was sending 30,000 reinforcements to Afghanistan, and will serve as a significant test of the new U.S. strategy for turning back the Taliban.

About 400 U.S. troops from the Army's 5th Stryker Brigade and about 250 Afghan soldiers moved into positions northeast of Marjah before dawn Tuesday as U.S. Marines pushed to the outskirts of the town.

Automatic rifle fire rattled in the distance as the Marines dug in for the night with temperatures below freezing. The occasional thud of mortar shells and the sharp blast of rocket-propelled grenades fired by the Taliban pierced the air.

"They're trying to bait us, don't get sucked in," yelled a Marine sergeant, warning his troops not to venture closer to the town. In the distance, Marines could see farmers and nomads gathering their livestock at sunset, seemingly indifferent to the firing.

The U.S. goal is to take control quickly of the farming community, located in a vast, irrigated swath of land in Helmand province 380 miles southwest of Kabul. That would enable the Afghan government to re-establish a presence, bringing security, electricity, clean water and other public services to the estimated 80,000 inhabitants.

Over time, American commanders believe such services will undermine the appeal of the Taliban among their fellow Pashtuns, the largest ethnic group in the country and the base of the insurgents' support.

"The military operation is phase one," Helmand Gov. Gulab Mangal told reporters Tuesday in Kabul. "In addition to that, we will have development in place, justice, good governance, bringing job opportunities to the people."

Marjah will serve as the first trial for the new strategy implemented last year by the top U.S. commander in Afghanistan, Gen. Stanley McChrystal. He maintains

Relatives say Cuban is world's oldest person

HAVANA (AP) — Relatives in eastern Cuba claim to have held a 125th birthday party for a woman named Juana Bautista de la Candelaria Rodriguez, but it is not clear if she is really that old.

The state-run news agency Prensa Latina reported on the party last weekend in the city of Bayamo in Granma province, attended by Rodriguez's family, including 15 great-grand children and four great-great-grandchildren.

Prensa Latina said Rodriguez, known affectionately as "Candulia," is "presumably the oldest person on the planet, although that has not been confirmed."

Rodriguez

In a phone interview with Cuban media, Rodriguez said she was happy and looking forward to many great years ahead.

The agency added that civil registry documents confirm she was born on Feb. 2, 1885, in the village of Santa Rosa, where she continues to live.

The Guinness Book of World Records says it has never heard of the case.

"We currently have not received a claim relating to the individual," spokesman Philip Robertson told The Associated Press on Tuesday.

Robertson said Guinness gets claims via its Web site about once a week involving people who say they or someone they know have broken age records. After an especially old person's age is verified, or death is reported, the number of claims usually spikes.

He said the company only sends genealogists and other experts to trace family histories for the most promising reports, however, and few are authenticated.

Guinness is currently reviewing claims for the oldest living person after Georgia-native Gertrude Baines died last year at 115.

The highest fully authenticated age was 122 years, 164 days by Jeanne Louise Calment, who died in 1997 in Arles, France.

DeGeneres says Cowell is 'meaner than I thought'

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Ellen DeGeneres, the newest judge on "American Idol," says Simon Cowell is "meaner" than she thought.

DeGeneres

Cowell, Randy Jackson, Kara DioGuardi and various guest judges kicked off the ninth season of the Fox singing competition last month. DeGeneres begins her stint Tuesday night.

In a video posted on the show's Web site, DeGeneres says Cowell is "actually meaner than I thought. It's hard to listen to him tell people things and for me not to go, 'You poor thing!'"

Cowell has announced that he's leaving "Idol" after this season. Paula Abdul left over a salary dispute.

DeGeneres says no one has given her advice on judging — "they're just letting me do what I want to do."

Henpecked men were a favorite theme of Super Bowl TV spots

"... I will be civil to your mother. I will put the seat down. I will put my underwear in the basket. And because I do this, I will drive the car I want to drive."

– Man in Dodge Charger ad aired during Super Bowl

By Jocelyn Noveck
Associated Press writer

CBS/AP photo

In an image from video, David Letterman, Oprah Winfrey and Jay Leno record a promo for CBS' 'Late Show' that aired during the Super Bowl on Sunday. In their whiny promo, the two feuding TV late night talk show stars had to be mothered by an exasperated Oprah.

NEW YORK — So you're a guy? Poor you!

You get slapped on your bottom at birth, then spend the rest of your life being shoved around by wives and girlfriends who make you mow the lawn, listen to their friends, return their phone calls, eat fruit at breakfast, shop for lingerie instead of watching the game, put your underwear in the basket and put the toilet seat down.

Such was the state of affairs between Mars and Venus depicted in some of this year's Super Bowl ads. And in marked contrast to the fairytale that unfolded with the New Orleans Saints' thrilling victory, what a sorry state it was.

In one ad, our hero was spineless. Literally. "As you can see, his girlfriend has removed his spine, rendering him incapable of watching the game," the announcer said of the hapless Jason, lingerie-shopping with his girlfriend, a red bra slung over his shoulder. "C'mon, silly!" the girlfriend said, leading him along. The solution? A Flo TV mobile television, so Jason could watch the game with him while he considered cup sizes.

As went Jason's life, so went the rest of the night. An ad for Dove skin cream portrayed, in song, a litany of life's indignities for the male, from that first insulting slap on the buttocks in the birthing room through high school and on to parenthood, where witnessing childbirth makes you faint (because it's SO painful for the man — but we digress) and life is a series of chores.

But with age came some self-actualizion, to a point. "Now that you're comfortable with who you are, isn't it time for comfortable skin?" the narrator asked.

The most striking in the henpecked male category, though, was a Dodge Charger ad, which featured a depressing view of a man's life as he talked to his invisible partner, listing all the sacrifices and concessions he'd made.

"I will get up and walk the dog at 6:30," the man said. "I will eat fruit with my breakfast. I will say yes when you want me to say yes. I will be quiet when you want me to say no. I will take your call. I will listen to your friends' opinions of my friends. I will be civil to your mother. I will put the seat down. I will put my underwear in the basket."

"And because I do this," the man concluded, "I will drive the car I want to drive."

"Charger," the ad declared. "Man's last stand."

Geez. This champion complainer was almost enough to make Jay Leno and David Letterman seem mature — let's ponder that for a moment — in their whiny promo for Letterman's "Late Show," where the two feuding TV stars had to be mothered by an exasperated Oprah Winfrey.

The whole thing was confounding for brand expert Kelly O'Keefe. "There sure were a lot of emasculated males last night," says O'Keefe, managing director of the Brand Center at Virginia Commonwealth University. "It was loser night. A parade of people you just want to slap!"

Super Bowl ads have always sought to appeal to men, of course, and offering them a chance to vent, even subconsciously, about their perceived struggles is one way of doing that. But it's a shortsighted tactic, says O'Keefe, because Super Bowl audiences are now just about evenly split between men and women.

But creative teams at ad agencies? They may not be evenly split, says O'Keefe. (Indeed, some of the ads might lead one to think they were created by Sterling Cooper, the fictional 1960s-era ad agency of "Mad Men.")

But is there something deeper at play? O'Keefe and others speculate that in a troubled economy, these commercials are expressing a feeling many people have of losing control of the circumstances of their lives.

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Elmer H. Harmon

Our dad and husband, Elmer H. Harmon, passed away Monday, Feb. 8, 2010, at the Twin Falls Care Center after a long and courageous fight against pulmonary fibrosis.

He was born April 8, 1934, the eldest child and only son of Elmer and Lucy (Owens) Harmon. He was raised and attended school in Buhl. He attended college at ISU in Pocatello and later pursued his love of antique automobiles through numerous "body and fender" classes at CSI. He married his high school sweetheart, Rubie Jo Palat, on Oct. 6, 1952. They were married for 57 years. From this union, they had four children, Scott, Becci Jo, Jeff and Tyna.

Dad was plant manager at Troy National Laundry in Twin Falls and then became chief engineer at Magic Valley Memorial Hospital. He finished his career as a department head at Lamb-Weston, retiring in 2000. After retirement, he was able to commit full time to "tinkering and fixing" anything and everything that would stand still long enough for him to cut, bolt, tape or rework. Additionally, Dad proudly served his country in the Idaho National Guard, retiring after 22 years of service.

Next to his family, his passion was restoring classic cars. Dad's most recent completion was to restore "Mom's" '40-Ford Coupe. He enjoyed spending time with his family camping, riding motorcycles and shining up and showing his cars in parades and car shows. He was especially proud to show off and brag about every one of his grandchildren's accomplishments. His grandchildren looked forward to special time with "PaPa" and learning all that he had to share. One of the great highlights of his last months of life was receiving daily blogs from his 20-month-old great-granddaughter, Delaney, and watching her day-to-day life and lessons. He was a charter member of Community Christian Church, where he filled many positions, including deacon, elder and chairman of the board. He was a member of Magic Valley Early Iron Car Club.

Elmer is survived by his wife and four children; an even dozen grandchildren; a great-granddaughter in Seattle; and two great-grandsons on the way who only "PaPa" has had the privilege to hold and hug; his mother, Lucy Harmon; two sisters, Wilma "Toots" Waddell of Klamath Falls, Ore., and Anna Risetter of Henderson, Nev.; and scores of friends. He was preceded in death by his father.

In addition, his survivors include his children and their spouses, Scott (Kris) Harmon of Meridian and their children and spouses, Tina (Kevin) Jaeger, and Amanda and Kara Harmon; Becci Jo (Dave) Lierman of Kimberly and their children and spouses, Stephanie Jo (Matt) Berry, and Zak (Wendy) and Tucker Lierman, Jeff (Cindy) Harmon of Twin Falls and their children and spouses, Jenny (Ted) Bush, and Alexander and Andrew Harmon, and Tyna (RC) Cummins of Kimberly and their children and spouses, Kasidee (JR) Kippes, Brandon, and Dakota Cummins.

A memorial service will be held at 1 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 13, at Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Road in Twin Falls. A graveside service will follow at the West End Cemetery in Buhl. Those wishing to share condolences may do so at www.magicvalleyfuneralhome.com.

Jack Alwin Evans

SULPHUR SPRINGS, Texas — Jack Alwin Evans, age 69, of Sulphur Springs, Texas, went to be with our Heavenly Father on Sunday, Feb. 7, 2010, at his home in Sulphur Springs, with his loving wife and soul mate by his side after a courageous battle with pancreatic cancer.

He was born in Crossett, Ark., on Aug. 3, 1940, the son of the late Lee Roy and Lorece Ethridge Evans. Jack worked for more than 30 years in the automotive parts industry as a sales rep, retiring from Valley Brake in Twin Falls, Idaho, in 2002, then returning to work at Valley Brake part time in 2005. He then went to work full time in 2006 with the College of Southern Idaho in Twin Falls in the transportation department. Jack served in the Arkansas National Guard, the United States Army Reserve and in the United States Navy with the rank of QM3 on the USS Bennington aircraft carrier. He was a lifetime member of the VFW and served as chaplain of Post 2136 in Twin Falls for more than four years prior to his illness. He was an avid motorcyclist and was a longtime member of the Christian Motorcyclists Association and also a member of the HOG (Harley Owners Group) in Twin Falls, Idaho, and Paris, Texas. He was a member of the East Side Southern Baptist Church in Twin Falls.

He is survived by his wife, Kathleen "Kitty" Evans; two sons, David Evans of Elko, Nev., and Roger Evans of Twin Falls; one brother, Rick Evans and his wife, Shelia of Columbia, S.C.; one sister, Rebecca Dunn and her husband, Ted of City By the Sea, Texas; and four grandchildren, Jarod, Rachel, Brandon and Aaron Evans, all of Twin Falls.

A graveside service with full military honors will be held at 10 a.m. Thursday, Feb. 11, in the Pleasant Hill Cemetery near Donaldson, Ark., with the Rev. James Calhoun officiating under the direction of Ruggles-Wilcox Funeral Home in Arkadelphia. There will be no formal visitation.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Lustgarten Foundation for Pancreatic Cancer Research, 1111 Stewart Ave., Bethpage, NY 11714.

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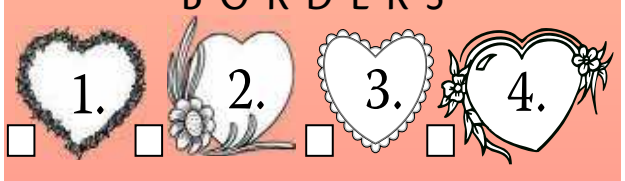

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Diane Marie Short

RUPERT — Diane Marie Short went to be with her loving Savior, Jesus Christ, on Sunday, Feb. 7, 2010, at age 59. She passed away at home with her loving family around her.

Diane was born Dec. 11, 1950, in Rupert, Idaho. She attended school in Rupert and graduated from Minico High School in 1968. Diane loved working at the Rupert Hospital for 10 years and enjoyed visiting with everyone she met. She also worked at the Burley Best Western for 10 years and the Rupert Pancake House for nine years. Diane has been a member of the Rupert First Christian Church for her whole life. She loved her church family and was always eager to help when she was needed.

She is survived by her loving parents, Hugh and Naomi Short; her sister, Karen Arthur; two nephews, Reed Arthur and Matt Arthur; one niece, Erica Daniel; two great-nieces, Jaddyn Daniel and Joelle Arthur; and two great-nephews, Avery Arthur and Jase Daniel.

The funeral will be held at 11 a.m. Thursday, Feb. 11, at the First Christian Praise Chapel, 1110 Eighth St. in Rupert. Burial will follow at the Rupert Cemetery. There is a viewing from 6 to 8 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 10, at the First Christian Praise Chapel. There will also be a viewing one hour prior to the funeral Thursday at the church.

Diane's family would like to thank our many loving friends and family who have shown such love to Diane during her life. We also thank the Idaho Home Health and Hospice for all of their help.

Arrangements are under the direction of Hansen Mortuary in Rupert.

Bonnie Williams Archibald

JEROME — Bonnie Williams Archibald, 51, passed away Sunday, Feb. 7, 2010, in Jerome, Idaho.

She was born in Emmett, Idaho, on June7, 1958, to Jerry and Betty (Hill) Williams. Bonnie was a shining soul who loved life and her family. She had an infectious smile and laugh that could fill the room. One of her proudest moments was graduating from Utah State University in December 2008. She loved her family and as "mom" to many of them, always had words of love and support. She also loved her special Fourth of July trips to her grandfather's cabin. Bonnie married Cory Archibald on July 2, 1994; he was the love of her life.

She was preceded in death by her parents, grandparents and three nephews. She is survived by her husband, Cory Archibald of Nibley, Utah; three sisters and a brother, Corky McFarlin of Jerome, Terry Williams of Fairvault, Minn., Kimberly Michael of Payette, Idaho, and Jamie Fenton of Logan, Utah; two stepchildren; numerous nieces, nephews and cousins; her aunt, Marion Henderson of Emmett; and "surrogate parents," Lamar and Joyce Tarbet of Cornish, Utah.

A memorial service will be conducted at 2 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 13, at Farnsworth Mortuary Chapel, 1343 S. Lincoln in Jerome.

Hartvey A. Lundin

FILER — Hartvey A. "Hal" Lundin, 56, of Filer, returned home Friday, Feb. 5, 2010.

Hartvey was given to Eva Ennice Ray on Sept. 3, 1953, in Twin Falls, Idaho. He was the oldest of eight siblings. Hartvey went on work for ConAgra Foods in the maintenance department for a number of years.

He leaves behind his wife, Khamlao Lundin; five children, Allen Bailey, Robbie Lundin, Bert Lundin, Vernon Lundin and Ruby Lundin; three stepchildren, Phany Phoumsavath, Pink Mai and Linh Inthoulay; and 11 grandchildren.

Hartvey loved to hunt, fish, camp and just loved the great outdoors all together. He was a loving husband and father and will be missed very much.

The funeral will be held at 1 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 13, at White Mortuary "Chapel by the Park." A visitation for family and friends will be held from 4 to 8 p.m. Friday, Feb. 12, at White Mortuary "Chapel by the Park."

Please join the family in remembering Hartvey by visiting his everlasting memorial and signing his online guestbook at www.MeM.com.

Thelma Mary Davis Reid

GOODING — Thelma Mary Davis Reid of Gooding passed away at the Helping Hands Care Center on Monday, Feb. 8, 2010.

Born March 31, 1923, to Eynon and Rachel Jones Davis on the family farm north of Jerome, she was the sixth of seven children. She grew up on the family farm and graduated from Jerome High School. She then attended the Salt Lake Business School studying bookkeeping.

With the start of the Second World War, she moved to Inglewood, Calif., and worked as a parts expediter in the North American P-51 plant.

When Maurice "Cake" Reid returned from duty in the South Pacific, they were married 5 July 1944 and moved back to Idaho. In 1953, they bought a partnership in the Sawtooth Market in Jerome and operated it until they sold it in 1971. They had four children, sons, Jim and Jerry; and daughters, Barbara and Lynnda. In 2006, she moved to Gooding to be closer to her family there.

She is preceded in death by her husband, Cake; and son, Jerry; her parents; four brothers; and sister, Ann. Her sister, Edith Davis Dillie of Burley; son, Jim (Judy); daughters, Barbara (Mel) Magnelli and Lynnda Reid; four grandchildren, Tony Magnelli, Jeff (Odessa) Magnelli, Karin Magnelli and Brad (Amy) Benton; eight great-grandchildren; and many nieces and nephews survive her.

The funeral will be held at 2 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 11, at the Hove-Robertson Funeral Chapel, Third Avenue East and Fillmore in Jerome.

Internment will follow at the Jerome Cemetery. No viewing is planned. Services are under the care and direction of the Hove-Robertson Funeral Chapel in Jerome.

Heber 'Ace' Harmon

Heber Harmon, known to all as Ace, joined God's heavenly singers Sunday, Feb. 7, 2010.

He was born July 25, 1921, in Idmon, Idaho, the youngest of four children born to Martin Harmon and Effie Sharp Harmon. He was raised and educated in eastern Idaho until joining the Navy in 1943 during World War II. He was discharged in 1946 and married Betty Lou Haney on Sept. 10, 1948.

Music was their common thread, and they began playing music professionally. Ace was an accomplished musician and maintained a love of music throughout his life. Playing music took him to Nevada, where he and Betty Lou settled down to raise their family. Ace was employed by Barton's Club 93 for 30 years until he retired to care for Betty Lou whose health had failed. Dad was a wonderful caregiver for Mom during the last 7 years of her life. He cooked, cleaned, did laundry and made beds, never complaining.

After losing his wife of 50 years at the age of 78, Dad was still ambitious and held several part-time jobs. At the time of Dad's death, he was residing at Curry Retirement Estates in Twin Falls. Words cannot express the gratitude the family feels about the exceptional love and care that Dad received from Melissa, Barbara and the entire staff at Curry.

Ace is survived by five daughters, Sandy (Dan) Egbert of Ogden, Utah, Sharyn Poggi of Twin Falls, Kris Stone of Twin Falls, Carolyn Chriswell of Hazelton and Judy (Lyle) McClimans of Jerome. He has 19 grandchildren and numerous great-grandchildren. Ace was preceded in death by his wife, Betty Lou; both of his parents; a grandson, Steven Smalley; his brother; two sisters; a son-in-law, Troy Stone; and a great-great grandson.

A memorial service for Ace will be held at 10 a.m. Thursday, Feb. 11, at Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Road in Twin Falls, with Pastor Randy Gardner officiating.

We will all miss Dad and Grandpa very much but also rejoice at his homegoing.

In lieu of flowers, the family would like to suggest that donations be made in honor of Dad to Curry Retirement Estates, 3805 N. 2538 E., Twin Falls, ID 83301.

All services and arrangements are under the direction of Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home of Twin Falls. Those wishing to share condolences may do so at www.magicvalleyfuneralhome.com.

Michael Ray Newbry

BLACKFOOT — Michael Ray Newbry, 46, of Blackfoot, suffered a fatal stroke on Wednesday, Feb. 3, 2010.

Mike was born in Twin Falls, Idaho, on Sept. 20, 1963, to Raymond Dale Alger and Mary Lou Corle Alger. He married Madeline Jacobson, who died in 2006. They had four boys, Michael, Christopher (Jenny), Adam and Zachary. In 2006, when Mike married Katey Hubbell, her two sons, Johnathan and Nicholas, joined the family.

After Mike miraculously kicked the meth habit and turned his life around four years ago, he became a very active volunteer at the J & M Mental Health Center in Blackfoot, where he dedicated himself to helping other people who were battling drugs, alcohol or other problems.

He is survived by his mother, Mary Lou Becker; and father, Robert Becker; one brother, Brent Becker; three sisters, Melody DePew, Cindy Newbry and Gail Newbry; five grandchildren; and extended family members.

An open house memorial will be held from 1 to 3 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 13, at the Lazy J Clubhouse, 450 Pole Line Road in Twin Falls.

Bonnie Knight

POCATELLO — Bonnie Knight, 70, of Pocatello, passed away Sunday, Feb. 7, 2010, at a local hospital.

Bonnie was born April 1, 1939, in Pocatello, to Robert and Amelia Cohen. She was raised in both Pocatello and Ohio and graduated from school in Ohio.

She married Glen Knight on Aug. 7, 1959, in Elko, Nev. They had a his, mine and ours family, making a total of seven children. Bonnie had some outside employment during her life, but her main focus was her family and that's where she spent her greatest efforts. Bonnie was raised Episcopalian and had a deep belief in God. She was talented in crocheting afghans and making beaded jewelry. She loved music and played the organ as well as the accordion in her youth.

She is survived by her husband, Glen; daughter, Cindy (Craig) Goodey of West Benton City, Wash.; son, Kevin (Maryellen) Knight of Paul, Idaho; daughters, Kristy (Kevin) Haga of Garner, N.C., Sherry (Alan) Reich of La Center, Wash., Robin (Tim) Watkins of Twin Falls and Debbie (Richard) Kehrer of Port Orchard, Wash.; 26 grandchildren and 30 great-grandchildren. Bonnie was preceded in death by her parents; daughter, Linda Ione Knight; brother, Bobby; and sister, Hazel.

The funeral will be held at 11 a.m. Friday, Feb. 12, at the Colonial Funeral Home, 2005 S. Fourth Ave. in Pocatello. A visitation will be held one hour prior to the funeral service. Burial will follow the funeral at the Rupert Cemetery in Rupert, Idaho.

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Condolences may be sent to the family online at www.ColonialFuneralHome.com.

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DEATH NOTICES

Karen Wills

LAS VEGAS — Karen Wills, 69, of Las Vegas, Nev., and formerly of Paul, died Saturday, Feb. 6, 2010, at a Las Vegas Hospital.

The funeral will be held at 2 p.m. Friday, Feb. 12, at Morrison Funeral Home, 188 S. Highway 24 in Rupert; visitation from 1 to 1:45 p.m. Friday at the funeral home.

Georgia Mullikin

MERIDIAN — Georgia Mullikin, 91, of Burley, died Sunday, Feb. 7, 2010, at Grace Memory Care Center in Meridian.

The funeral will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 13, at the Burley United Methodist Church, 450 E. 27th St.; visitation from 10 to 10:45 a.m. Saturday at the church (by Morrison Funeral Home and Crematory in Rupert).

Lenore L. Hogsed

RUPERT — Lenore L. Hogsed, 64, of Kelso, Wash., died Saturday, Feb. 6, 2010, at Minidoka Memorial Hospital.

A graveside service will be held at a later date in Kelso, Wash. (Morrison Funeral Home and Crematory in Rupert).

Dollie A. Oneida

SHOSHONE — Dollie Ann Oneida, 86, of Shoshone, died Monday, Feb. 8, 2010, at the Gooding County Memorial Hospital.

Arrangements will be announced by Demaray Funeral Service, Shoshone Chapel.

Wanda Paulson

RICHFIELD — Wanda Paulson, 84, of Richfield, died Tuesday, Feb. 9, 2010, at the Twin Falls Care and Rehabilitation Center.

Arrangements will be announced by Demaray Funeral Service, Shoshone Chapel.

Danielle S. Bates

Danielle S. Bates, 18 of Twin Falls, died Monday, Feb. 8, 2010.

Arrangements will be announced by Rosenau Funeral Home in Twin Falls.

SERVICES

Charles Arthur Steinmetz of Eden, memorial service at 11 a.m. today at the Church of the Nazarene, 3550 E. 3750 N. in Kimberly (Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home in Twin Falls).

William Hugh Tracy of Almo, funeral at 1 p.m. Thursday at the Almo LDS Church; visitation from 6 to 8 p.m. today and noon to 12:45 p.m. Thursday at the church (Rasmussen Funeral Home in Burley).

Ruth Neoma Haken of Twin Falls, service at 1 p.m. Thursday at Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Road in Twin Falls; visitation from 5 to 7 p.m. today at the mortuary.

Mary G. Anderson of Twin Falls, family graveside service at 2 p.m. Thursday at Sunset Memorial Park in Twin Falls (Reynolds Funeral Home in Twin Falls).

Clinton Averon Tidquist of Twin Falls, graveside service at 4 p.m. Thursday at the Twin Falls Cemetery (Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home in Twin Falls.)

Gordon Keith Opial of Twin Falls, funeral at 1 p.m. Friday at Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Road in Twin Falls.

Jeffrey James Wood of Buhl, memorial service at 2 p.m. Saturday at the Calvary Assembly Church in Buhl (Farmer Funeral Chapel in Buhl).

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Local roundup & CSI baseball, Sports 2 / Scoreboard, Sports 3 / NASCAR, Sports 4

Bruin girls edge Spartans, reach GBC title game

By Bradley Guire
Times-News writer

When the Bruins emerged from Baun Gymnasium's new locker room Tuesday night, they did so with balloons in hand, smiles on their faces and the knowledge that they are headed for the Class 4A girls state basketball tournament in Meridian next weekend.

The Twin Falls girls survived Minico 41-39 to advance to Thursday's Great Basin Conference Tournament championship and claim a berth in the state bracket.

"We wanted to look at the whole picture and not just focus on state," said sophomore Josie Jordan. "We were worked up. We wanted shots to fall, and we wanted to beat Minico on the boards."

The victory was never a certainty until the final seconds as both teams stayed within a possession or two of each other, trading baskets and the lead.

The Bruins held a slim 34-32 lead with less than three minutes left in the game when they began a four-point run. Jazlyn Nielsen made her way to the basket for a layup and was fouled by Tianna Stimpson, who went to the bench with her fifth foul. The bucket counted, and Nielsen hit the free throw for a 3-point play. Following a Minico turnover, teammate Josie Jordan was fouled at the basket, and made 1-of-2 for the final point of the run.

Nielsen also played a part in the Bruins claiming the halftime lead and contributed to a third-quarter run that put them ahead for good. The junior post found herself wide open for a right-side jump shot with 30 seconds to go in the first half and connected for Twin Falls' 21-20 lead.

During the third quarter, which featured no scoring until the 4:12 mark, she and Jordan found the net as part of a seven-point run. Jordan layed the ball up twice and connected on a free throw, while Nielsen scored a bucket on a putback. Alex Simmons contributed an offensive putback and a steal in the quarter, while Mallory Jund came up with a steal and a block.

"It picked up the momentum and got everyone pumped up," Simmons said of the spurt.

Nielsen led all scorers, finishing with 19 points and five rebounds. Jordan scored 11 with seven rebounds, while Simmons grabbed five boards as well.

Kendra Bailey and Brecka Fetzer led the Spartans with nine points each, while

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ASHLEY SMITH/Times-News
Filer's Bryce Beard, left, battles for control of the ball with Kimberly's Nick Dame during the second quarter Tuesday at Filer High School.

Top 'Cats

Filer edges Kimberly, claims SCIC crown

By David Bashore
Times-News writer

FILER — These Wildcats are no one-season wonders.

Bryce Beard scored seven of his game-high 17 points in the fourth quarter, and Filer earned its first outright Sawtooth Central Idaho Conference regular-season title since 2000 with a 44-40 win over Kimberly on Wednesday.

The Wildcats (13-4, 7-0 SCIC) hit a couple of key runs in the game, including racing out to a 15-4 lead to begin the game. Kimberly (9-11, 6-2) cut the lead to within five on three separate occasions but never could get the gap to less than three.

"Kimberly's a good team and they gave great effort," said Beard, whose 3-pointer in the fourth quarter extended Filer's lead back to 10. "We knew they were going to battle, and we just had to keep our focus. Last week we had a bad mental breakdown against Canyon Ridge, but with our great fans and it being senior night, it was easier for us to stay with it tonight."

The two teams shared the SCIC regular-season title last year, but Filer was in no mood to let the Bulldogs take a share of the crown in their final game for the second season running.

Kimberly was working on the defensive stand it desperately needed in the third quarter, allowing just a

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CSI's N'diaye takes trip to Oklahoma

By Mike Christensen
Times-News writer

Last Tuesday, Oklahoma head coach Jeff Capel took in a College of Southern Idaho practice. On Saturday, CSI center Aziz N'diaye took in an Oklahoma game.

N'diaye

But that doesn't mean the 7-foot-1 center is ready to commit to the Sooners. Not yet anyway.

"I'm kind of getting picky," said N'diaye, who is sitting out this season with a medical redshirt as he recovers from offseason knee surgery. "I want to be picky and see the best offer and compare."

N'diaye called Oklahoma "a good option" and said he enjoyed his trip to Norman, where he watched the the Sooners take an 80-71 win over rival Texas. Prior to the season, N'diaye took official visits to Oregon State and Loyola Marymount, but this was his first campus visit on a game day.

"I had a good time," he said.

The Senegalese center plans to take two more trips before the end of the season and expects to verbally commit sometime in March before signing in April. He hasn't yet determined where those two trips will take him.

"I want to see the options I have and find the best fit," he said.

N'diaye is cleared to take part in individual drills during practice as he continues rehabilitating the surgically repaired ACL in his right knee. He said his next doctor visit is March 23 and he hopes to be cleared for full contact at that time.

"It would be nice," he said. "It's hard to sit out."

Stennis out: N'diaye isn't the only CSI player batting a knee injury. Freshman point guard D.J. Stennis sat out practice Monday and Tuesday after partially tearing the tendon that connects to the patella in last Friday's loss at the College of Eastern Utah. CSI athletic trainer Richard Bingham said Stennis is probable for Friday's game at Salt Lake Community College.

Back to being Felix: After averaging just eight points per game in January's four-game home stretch, redshirt freshman forward Carrick Felix got back on track in last week's road games at Eastern Utah and Colorado Northwestern. Felix averaged 14.5 points on the trip, bringing his season average to 14.9, just behind Josten Thomas' team-leading 15.0. See Friday's *Times-News* for more on Felix.

Sagers, Barnes commit to college football teams

By Ryan Howe
Times-News writer

A pair of Magic Valley athletes will continue their football playing careers at the collegiate level.

Jake Sagers of Oakley signed a letter of intent to play at Rocky Mountain College, while Minico graduate Landon Barnes has committed to Southern Oregon University.

Sagers

Barnes

Sagers, who just finished his senior season and will graduate this spring, won two Class 1A Division I state championships with Oakley. He was a three-time all-state selection as an offensive and defensive lineman.

Sagers was also considering Eastern Oregon. He said he made his choice this past weekend after making a visit to Rocky Mountain in Billings, Mont.

"It was really, really tough," Sagers said of his decision. "I like the coaches, I like the players and I like the town, so I chose to go there."

The Rocky Mountain Battlin' Bears compete in the Frontier Conference of the NAIA.

Barnes' path to college football is less conventional, but the former Minico star said he's happy with where he's landed.

After becoming Minico's all-time leader in receiving yards and getting the Offensive MVP award at the Idaho High School All-Star game, Barnes graduated in 2009 with only offers from Division III and expensive private schools that don't supply athletic scholarships. Barnes made the economical choice, hung up his cleats and enrolled at Idaho State.

"Watching the ISU practices, then watching Minico play, I knew I wasn't ready to be done," Barnes said. "I knew I could still play, and all I needed was my chance."

That chance finally came from Southern Oregon in Ashland. The Raiders are in the Cascade Collegiate Conference of the NAIA.

Barnes is currently enrolled for the spring semester and working out with the football team.

"It's awesome being able to work out with a team again," Barnes said. "When spring ball comes next month, I think it will really hit me. It's awesome to be back in the game."

Sun Valley's Arritola overcomes late intro to skiing

By Karen Bossick
Times-News correspondent

At age 6, Morgan Arritola knew she wanted to go to the Olympics. She just didn't know how she would get there.

At first she thought it might be as a soccer player. Then she signed up to run a triathlon at age 8, convinced she'd be a track star.

"Little did I know it would be as a Nordic skier," she said.

Arritola will step onto the world stage on Friday as the 2010 Winter Olympics open in Vancouver. She'll be joined by three other athletes with ties to Sun Valley — snowboard cross racer Graham Watanabe, who grew up in Hailey; Simi Hamilton, an Aspen Nordic sprinter who moved to Sun Valley two years ago to train with the Sun Valley Ski Education Foundation's Olympic Development Team, and Hailey Duke, who learned to ski in Sun Valley before moving to Boise.

Arritola never stepped on cross country skis before age 16 when friends at The Community School in Sun Valley convinced her to take up Nordic skiing as a way to stay in shape for soccer.

She won her first race a month later and was crowned Junior National Champion a year later.

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Read about other Olympians with ties to Sun Valley

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KAREN BOSSICK/For the Times-News
Sun Valley's Morgan Arritola, 23, will compete at the 2010 Winter Olympics in Vancouver.

DISTRICT IV GIRLS BASKETBALL TOURNAMENTS

Class 4A Great Basin Conference Tournament
Monday, Feb. 8
Game 8: Minico 48, Wood River 47 (Wood River eliminated)
Tuesday, Feb. 9
Game 9: Twin Falls 41, Minico 39 (Minico eliminated)
Thursday, Feb. 11
Championship: Twin Falls (16-8) at Jerome (21-1), 7 p.m.
Friday, Feb. 12
Second championship: If necessary, 7 p.m.
First and second place qualify for state tournament, Feb. 18-20 at Mountain View HS in Meridian.

Class 3A Sawtooth Central Idaho Conference Tournament
Monday, Feb. 8
Game 7: Gooding 32, Filer 28, OT (Filer eliminated)
Wednesday, Feb. 10
At CSI
Championship: Kimberly (18-2) vs. Gooding (13-9), 7 p.m.
Thursday, Feb. 11
Second championship: If necessary, 7 p.m.
First place qualifies for state tournament, Feb. 18-20 at Skyview HS in Nampa. Second place advances to state play-in vs. second place from District VI at 1 p.m., Feb. 13 at Highland HS in Pocatello.

Class 2A Canyon Conference Tournament
Monday, Feb. 8
Game 3: Glenns Ferry 42, Valley 40 (Valley eliminated)
Thursday, Feb. 11
Championship: Glenns Ferry (7-16) at Declo (16-5), 7 p.m.
Friday, Feb. 12
Second championship: If necessary, 7 p.m.
First place qualifies for state tournament, Feb. 18-20 at Kuna HS.

Class 1A Division I Snake River Conference Tournament
Monday, Feb. 8
At Murtaugh
Game 12: Raft River 47, Hansen 38 (Hansen eliminated)
Wednesday, Feb. 10
Second place game: Raft River (14-9) vs. Challis (18-3), 7 p.m.
First and second place qualify for state tournament Feb. 18-20 at Columbia HS in Nampa. Third place advances to state play-in vs. third place from District III at 3 p.m., Feb. 13 at Glenns Ferry HS.

Class 1A Division II Northside Conference Tournament
At Carey
Monday, Feb. 8
Game 3: Richfield 53, Camas County 37
Game 4: Dietrich 45, Carey 35
Tuesday, Feb. 9
Game 5: Carey 52, Community School 22 (Community School eliminated)
Game 6: Camas County 35, Bliss 25 (Bliss eliminated)
Wednesday, Feb. 10
Game 7: Carey (15-6) vs. Camas County (12-9), 6 p.m.
Championship: Richfield (17-2) vs. Dietrich (17-4), 7:30 p.m.
Thursday, Feb. 11
Second place game: Winner 7 vs. Loser 8, 7 p.m.
First and second place qualify for state tournament Feb. 18-20 at Nampa HS. Third place advances to state play-in vs. second place from District III at 1 p.m., Feb. 13 at Glenns Ferry HS.

CSI baseball drops close one to Phoenix

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They were resting by the pool when the call came: Game on. With rain in the forecast today, the College of Southern Idaho baseball team's game against Phoenix College was moved to Tuesday. The Golden Eagles battled for nine innings before falling 3-2.

CSI fell behind 2-0 after two innings but didn't surrender a hit the rest of the way and rallied to knot the score. Ryan Cooperstone went 2-for-3 with an RBI and Remington Pullin was 2-for-3 with a triple.

"We scratched and fought and clawed our way back," said CSI head coach Boomer Walker.

But after five games in three days, CSI's pitching staff ran out of gas in the ninth inning, issuing multiple walks to load the bases and then walking in the winning run.

The loss was the third one-run defeat for the 2-3 Eagles, but Walker isn't disappointed.

"To have all our games be this competitive this early is something we can hang our hat on," he said.

CSI takes on Central Arizona College on Friday afternoon to open a three-day stay at the Southern Nevada Tournament in Henderson.

CSI softball on deck

This week: No. 20 College of Southern Idaho travels to St. George, Utah, for a pair of doubleheaders against both Colorado Northwestern Community College (today, Thursday) and Salt Lake Community College (Friday, Saturday) to open Scenic West Athletic Conference play.
CSI last week: 5-3 at the Arizona Western Tournament
Salt Lake CC last week: 6-0 at Arizona Western Tournament
Last meeting: CSI lost the Region 18 Tournament championship game 3-1 to Salt Lake on May 9, 2009; CSI swept Colorado Northwestern in four straight shutout games on March 20-21, 2009.
On deck: CSI hosts Snow College for a pair of doubleheaders against SWAC opponent Snow College on Feb. 19-20.

CSI season leaders
Batting Average (minimums apply): Mikkel Griffin .439. **Hits:** Marie Williams 21. **2B:** Griffin 4, MeChel Hunt 4. **3B:** Griffin 1, Kelsey Bryant 1. **HR:** Griffin 2. **RBI:** Griffin 15. Runs: Williams 16. **BB:** Brittany Gonzales 9. **SB:** Griffin 3-3, Jessica Albertson 3-3.
Pitching Record: Bryant 3-0. **SV:** Generra Nielson 1, Brie Dimond 1. **ERA (minimums apply):** Bryant 1.17. **Innings pitched:** Nielson 48.1. **CG:** Nielson 6. **Shutouts:** none. **SO:** Nielson 62.
Opponents' average (minimums apply): Nielson .230.

Find more CSI stats, SWAC standings, the NJCAA poll on Magic Valley Overtime at www.magicvalleyovertime.magicvalleysites.com.

Cavs win 12th straight

CLEVELAND — LeBron James scored 32 points to lead the Cleveland Cavaliers to their 12th straight win Tuesday night, 104-97 over the New Jersey Nets.

The win gives Cleveland the longest winning streak in the NBA this season. The Cavaliers (42-11) also have the best record in the league.

New Jersey (4-47) has the NBA's worst record and has lost seven straight. The Nets played without point guard Devin Harris, who has a sprained left shoulder. Courtney Lee led the Nets with 24 points.

Note: For the rest of Tuesday's NBA results, see Sports 3.

Tverdy leads Castleford past Shoshone

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Ethan Tverdy scored six of his game-high 16 points in the fourth quarter to lead the Castleford boys basketball team to a narrow 52-50 win over host Shoshone.

"It was a close game all the way," said Shoshone coach Larry Messick. "We made a run and tied the score with about two minutes to go. But it was the Tverdy story inside."

Shoshone had two players in double figures led by Thomas Lanhan with 12 and Cody Race with 11. Lanhan also had a team-high eight rebounds for the Indians (16-3).

Castleford (17-1) is at Oakley and Shoshone is on the road at Challis on Thursday.

STEVE MERRICK/For the Times-News

Shoshone's Joshua Olsen (32) battles for possession with Castleford's Houston Horner (15) Tuesday night in Shoshone.

Castleford 52, Shoshone 50

Castleford	12	11	15	14	– 52
Shoshone	14	12	13	11	– 50

CASTLEFORD (52)
Clayton Kline 5, Nick Howard 6, Oscar Vargas 10, Kale Weekes 2, Sam Chavez 9, Tyler Hansen 4, Ethan Tverdy 16. Totals 22 5-9 52.
SHOSHONE (50)
Justin Santana 3, Nell Valencia 4, Skye Axelson 2, Andrew Sorter 7, Sigi Juarez 4, Thomas Lanhan 12, Josh Oslen 7, Cody Race 11. Totals 19 11-17 50.
3-point goals: Castleford 3 (Chavez 2, Kline), Shoshone 1 (Olsen). Total fouls: Castleford 17, Shoshone 12. Fouled out: none Technical fouls: none.

GLENNS FERRY 61, RICHFIELD 28

Glenns Ferry improved to 17-2 for the season as the Pilots rolled over the Richfield Tigers 61-28.

"It was a great senior night," said Glenns Ferry coach Jeremiah Johnson. "The guys really played well together tonight. We are right where we want to be."

Michael Crane led Glenns Ferry with 12 points and Phillip Owsley followed with 11.

Ben Robles of Richfield (5-14) led all players with 13 points.

Glenns Ferry travels to Buhl on Friday.

Glenns Ferry 61, Richfield 28

Richfield	9	7	8	4	– 28
Glenns Ferry	19	12	13	17	– 61

RICHFIELD (28)
Ben Robles 13, Zac Turnage 2, Tucker Smith 3, John-Erik Classon 2, Jose Rivas 5, Cody Jones 3. Totals 12 2-10 28.
GLENNS FERRY (61)
Michael Crane 12, Ricardo Ceballos 7, Terry Jacobsen 3, Ross Arellano 6, Robin Shenk 5, Gave Arevalo 7, Rory Hance 2, Zach Owsley 2, Phillip Owsley 11, Justin Solasobal 6. Totals 26 5-7 61.
3-point goals: Richfield 2 (Rivas, Jones), Glenns Ferry 4 (Ceballos, Jacob, Arevalo, P. Owlsey). Total fouls: Richfield 7, Glenns Ferry 11. Fouled out: none. Technical fouls: none.

HANSEN 39, VALLEY 29

Hansen senior Laton Stanger had 14 points and Kevin Fuller followed with 10 to help the Huskies beat the Valley Vikings 39-29.

"We had three players that we had to sit because of grades," said Valley coach Steve Hunter. "And we had two players foul out so we played with four guys for more than six minutes in the fourth quarter but we hung in there. We just missed a lot of shots."

Austin Shawver led the Vikings with 12 points.

Valley (1-17) hosts Gooding tonight.

Hansen (4-15) hosts Raft River on Thursday.

Hansen 39, Valley 29

Hansen	6	14	7	12	– 39
Valley	11	4	4	10	– 29

HANSEN (39)
Laton Stanger 14, Caleb Lehmann 5, Pete Veenstra 7, Devon Spearing 3, Kevin Fuller 10. Totals 12 10-16 39.
VALLEY (29)
Justin Johnson 9, Austin Shawver 12, Matt Ivey 2, John Cauhorn 4, Chase Brown 2. Totals 11 4-14 29.
3-point goals: Hansen 5 (Stanger 2, Lehmann, Spearing, Fuller), Valley 3 (Shawver 2, Johnson). Total fouls: Hansen 14, Valley 14. Fouled out: Hansen, Ratto. Valley, Shawver, Brown. Technical fouls: none.

RAFT RIVER 76, SHO-BAN 50

A stout effort on defense during the third quarter allowed Raft River to beat Sho-Ban 76-50 Tuesday in Fort Hall.

The Trojans held the Chiefs to just two points while scoring 19 themselves.

Raft River (14-5, 5-2) travels to Hansen Thursday.

Raft River 76, Sho-Ban 50

Raft River	27	19	19	11	– 76
Sho-Ban	11	23	2	14	– 76

RAFT RIVER (76)
Cade Powers 17, Rio Manning 11, Taylor Thacker 31, Nelson Manning 8, H.D. Tuckett 7, Andrew Fenn 2. Totals 31 11-16 76.
SHO-BAN (50)
Runninghorse 6, Graves 14, Coby 9, Redcloud 2, Vasquez 4, Sanchez 4, Grant 1, Skunkcap 3, Tone 5, Plentyhawk 2. Totals 20 8-15 50.
3-point goals: Raft River 3 (Powers, R. Manning, Thacker); Sho-Ban 2 (Graves 2). Total fouls: Raft River 18; Sho-Ban 13. Fouled out: none. Technical fouls: Raft River, bench.

OAKLEY 83, LIGHTHOUSE CHRISTIAN 55

Oakley had five players in double figures as the Hornets blew past the Lighthouse Christian Lions 83-55.

Payson Bedke led the Hornet offense with 18 points followed by Hunter Wadsworth and Eddie Setoki each had 14. Paxton Robinson and Garret Critchfield each contributed 12 for Oakley (9-9).

"Oakley did a good job of creating turnovers," said Lighthouse Christian coach Ryan Franklin.

The Lions connected on eight 3-pointers with four by the leading scorer of the game, Zane Jesser who totaled 25 points and Evan Aardema (13) had three treys.

Oakley hosts Castleford and Lighthouse Christian (5-14) hosts Hagerman Thursday at the Jerome Middle School.

Oakley 83, Lighthouse Christian 55

Oakley	15	30	14	24	– 83
Lighthouse Christian	23	10	14	8	– 55

OAKLEY (83)
Payson Bedke 18, Brett Arnell 6, Weston Cooper 7, Hunter Wadsworth 14, Paxton Robinson 12, Eddie Setoki 14, Garret Critchfield 12. Totals 34 11-19 83.
LIGHTHOUSE CHRISTIAN (55)
Alex Nixon 1, Aaron Borchardt 8, Gabe Heath 4, Evan Aardema 13, Garrett Goettle 2, Logan Vander Stelt 2, Zane Jesser 25. Totals 20 7-16 55.
3-point goals: Oakley 4 (Bedke 3, Wadsworth), Lighthouse Christian 8 (Jesser 4, Aardema 3, Borchardt). Total fouls: Oakley 12, Lighthouse Christian 18. Fouled out: none. Technical fouls: none.

BUHL 59, WENDELL 58

Buhl survived a ferocious Wendell rally to claim a 59-58 home win on Tuesday. The Indians (8-9, 4-4 Sawtooth Central Idaho Conference) led by 14 entering the final quarter. The Trojans had a chance to win on Nolan Stouder's contested 15-footer in the late seconds, but the shot missed and the clock expired.

Scott Harris led Buhl with 17 points, while Markus Lively scored 13. Stouder's 19 paced Wendell, while Gary Koopman added 15 and Nathan Ormand 11.

Buhl hosts Glenns Ferry on Friday. Wendell's regular season is done, and the Trojans await next week's SCIC Tournament.

Buhl 59, Wendell 58

Wendell	11	13	15	19	– 58
Buhl	24	16	13	6	– 59

WENDELL (58)
Cayden Williams 4, Jon Myers 2, Nolan Stouder 19, Cody Prince 7, Nathan Ormand 11, Gary Koopman 15. Totals 23 10-14 58.
BUHL (59)
Scott Harris 17, J.D. Leckenby 8, Matt Hamilton 4, Camden Gillins 8, Cader Owen 2, Mark Montgomery 7, Markus Lively 13. Totals 24 7-10 59.
3-point goals: Wendell (Koopman 2); Buhl 4 (Gillins 2, Montgomery, Lively). Total fouls: Wendell 12, Buhl 13. Fouled out: Buhl, Lively. Technical fouls: none.

CAMAS COUNTY 69, MVC 35

Jordan Robles scored 28 points to lead Camas County to a 69-35 home win over Magic Valley Christian Tuesday night in Fairfield.

Andrew Simon chipped in 16 points and Carlos Robles added 15 for the Mushers. Zach VanEsch netted 18 for MVC.

Camas County faces Bliss on Friday.

Camas County 69, MVC 35

MVC	8	12	9	6	– 35
Camas County	16	26	21	6	– 69

MVC (35)
Andre Briggs 2, Bryce Vander Stelt 4, Zach VanEsch 18, Matt McClimans 11. Totals 13 8-13 35.
CAMAS COUNTY (69)
Derek Walker 2, Andrew Simon 16, Carlos Robles 15, Jordan Robles 28, George Simon 4, Mackenzie Boggs 2. Totals 28 7-7 69.
3-point goals: MVC 1 (VanEsch); Camas County 4 (A. Simon 2, J. Robles 2). Total fouls: MVC 9, Camas County 11. Fouled out: none. Technical fouls: none.

COMMUNITY SCHOOL 54, TWIN FALLS CHRISTIAN 24

Daniel Gomis scored 24 points as the Community School rolled to a 54-24 win over host Twin Falls Christian on Tuesday.

The Warriors (6-10), who lost their sixth straight game, were led by James Garrison's seven points.

Community School 54, Twin Falls Christian 24

Community School	16	16	11	11	– 54
TFCA	0	8	11	5	– 24

COMMUNITY SCHOOL (54)
Will Brokaw 8, Tanner Flanigan 4, Paul Davis 9, Eli Albarran 3, Daniel Gomis 24, Henry Rickbell 2, Hunter Weaver 4. Totals 23 6-8 54.
TFCA (24)
Austin Brown 4, Ethan Paz 3, Nate Rippee 4, Jesse Bolyard 6, James Garrison 7. Totals 8 7-10 24.
3-point goals: Brokaw 1, Albarran) TFCA 1 (Paz). Total fouls: Community school 9, TFCA 7. Fouled out: none. Technical fouls: none.

Girls basketball

CLASS 1A DIVISION II NORTHSIDE CONFERENCE TOURNAMENT
CAREY 52, COMMUNITY SCHOOL 22

Jessica Parke scored 23 points as Carey stayed alive in the Northside Conference Tournament with a 52-22 rout of Community School.

Amy Ellsworth pulled down 15 rebounds for the Panthers, while Micaela Adamson scored 13 points.

Maggie Flood's 13 points led the Cutthroats, who were eliminated with the loss.

Carey faces Camas County tonight with a spot in Thursday's second-place game on the line.

Carey 52, Community School 22

Carey	15	8	17	12	– 52
Community School	6	3	6	7	– 22

CAREY (52)
Jaide Parke 5, Jessica Parke 23, Angela Ellsworth 2, Amy Ellsworth 4, Micaela Adamson 13, Nicky Gomez 5. Totals 21 8-15 52.
COMMUNITY SCHOOL (22)
Natalie Goddard 1, Maggie Flood 13, Austin Nalen 1, Julie Doan 5, Kayla Cloud 2. Totals 8 6-14 22.
3-point goals: Carey 2 (Je. Parke, Ja. Parke). Total fouls: Carey 13, Community School 13. Fouled out: none. Technical fouls: none.

CAMAS COUNTY 35, BLISS 25

The Mushers eliminated the Bears 35-25 and will now face Carey at 6 p.m. tonight.

"We came out a little flat and were not shooting the ball like we wanted," said Camas County coach Matt McLam. "They run a different defense then we usually see and we always have trouble with it."

Darian Cantu led the Mushers (12-9) with 12 points and Sunnie Vouch tossed in 11. Danielle Knowlton had a game-high 16 rebounds and Vouch had five steals.

Abby Burk posted 11 points for the Bears. Bliss ended the season at 6-12.

Camas County 35, Bliss 25

Bliss	1	5	9	10	– 25
Camas County	8	10	6	11	–35

BLISS (25)
Abby Burk 11, Amy Young 5, Savannah Kehrer 5, Demsie Butler 2, Thania Beltran 2. Totals 6 12-20 25.
CAMAS COUNTY (35)
Darian Cantu 12, Sunnie Vouch 11, Erica Phantharasen 5, Danielle Knowlton 4, Megan Stampke 3. Totals 13 6-9 35.
3-point goals: Bliss 1 (Young), Camas County 1 (Phantharasen). Total fouls: Bliss 15, Camas County 15. Fouled out: Bliss, Butler. Technical fouls: Camas County, Stampke.

Bowling

KIMBERLY'S REEVES TAKES GIRLS SINGLES TITLES

Kimberly bowling Erica Reeves rolled a 608 series to claim the district championship Tuesday at Magic Bowl in Twin Falls. Bridget Albertson of Minico was second with a 562.

Girls district singles championship
Tuesday at Magic Bowl, Twin Falls
1. Eric Reeves, Kimberly, 608; 2. Bridget Albertson, Minico, 562; 3. Kandi Woody, Filer, 543; 4. Courtney Yoshida, Burley, 517; 5. Brooke Newlan, Canyon Ridge, 511; 6. Kiara Hieb, Burley, 501; 7. Marissa Eggleston, Twin Falls, 500; 8. Jessica Jenkins, Twin Falls, 488; 9. Bridgett Crowley, Filer, 483; 10. Ryan Simpson, Twin Falls, 478; 11. Shelbi Waters, Canyon Ridge, 476; 12. Jenifer Sherman, Twin Falls, 468; 13. Jessica Wright, Kimberly, 463; 14. Chelsey Strickland, Wendell, 461; 15. Jamie Mancia, Minico, 451.

Wrestling

VALLEY 53, BUTTE COUNTY 24

Valley breezed past Butte County in dual action 53-24 Tuesday. The Vikings got pins from Brad Gerratt, Tanner Hall, Andrew Munsee and Skylor Kuntz as well as a technical fall from Derek Gerratt. They also benefited from four forfeitures, conceding two of their own to Butte County along with two pinfalls.

Valley 53, Butte County 24

103 pounds: double forfeit; 112: Brad Gerratt, Valley, pinned Chance Burnett, 1:53; 119: Casey Ivey, Valley, won by forfeit; 125: Jacob Schutte, Valley, won by forfeit; 130: Parker Lamun, Valley, won by forfeit; 135: Tanner Hall, Valley, pinned Joe Shaw, 0:36; 140: Derek Gerratt, Valley, T-fall Terry Morin, 17-2; 145: Connor Beames, Valley, won by forfeit; 152: Andrew Munsee, Valley, pinned Austin Belden, 1:04; 160: Brett Rupp, Butte County, pinned Brayden Cantu, 2:39; 171: Skylor Kuntz, Valley, pinned Shelby Smith, 1:38; 189: Jessy King, Butte County, won by forfeit; 215: Dallas Taylor, Butte County, pinned Derek Murphy, 5:42; 285: Kyle Noy, Butte County, won by forfeit.

Late Monday Wrestling

WENDELL 36, CANYON RIDGE 34

Wendell used four pinfalls to sneak past Canyon Ridge 36-34 in dual action Monday.

Kevin VanHoozer, Tyler Egbert, Johnny Diaz and Josh Strickland earned pins for the Trojans. Dino Hukic, Chase Smith and Brandon Bradshaw won by fall for the Riverhawks.

Wendell 36, Canyon Ridge 34

103 pounds: Connor Stubblefield, Canyon Ridge, won by forfeit; 112: Kevin VanHoozer, Wendell, pinned Blaze Requa, 2:46; 119: Donovan Jones, Canyon Ridge, dec. Derek Gines, 7-2; 125: Wayne Jeffers, Canyon Ridge, major dec. Schuyler Nebeker, 9-0; 130: Tyler Egbert, Wendell, pinned Caleb Price, 1:29; 135: Dino Hukic, Canyon Ridge, pinned Taylor Peterson, 1:28; 140: Johnny Diaz, Wendell, pinned Bruce Bush, 1:26; 145: Chris Housley, Wendell, dec. Riley McClain, 11-8; 152: Braden Metcalf, Canyon Ridge, dec. Charlie Hansen, 11-7; 160: Chase Smith, Canyon Ridge, pinned Ethan Wibert, 3:22; 171: Moises Raymundo, Wendell, dec. Paden Gonzalez, 9-8; 189: Josh Strickland, Wendell, pinned Connor Hite, 0:46; 215: Matt O'Keefe, Wendell, won by forfeit; 285: Brandon Bradshaw, Canyon Ridge, pinned Leonard Terra, 1:42.

Filer

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single point through the first six minutes. But Cody Reynolds canned a 3-pointer and later hit a running layup to push the lead back to seven at the end of three quarters.

"We just needed to keep the momentum," Reynolds said. "Bryce gave me a good pass, and I had a good look. Fortunately for us it went down."

Terrell Bailey had 10 points for Filer, while Justin Orban had eight and pulled down 11 rebounds. Kimberly was led by nine points from Derek Maloney, and Brian Crane. Maloney also had eight boards.

The Wildcats, who are 17-1 at home over the past two seasons, will visit Gooding on Friday. The two teams will meet again in Filer on Monday to begin the SCIC Tournament with Filer as the No. 1 seed. This time it didn't take a coin flip to decide it.

"I remember when I was little, watching the guys compete for conference championships, and it was always our dream," Beard said.

Kimberly, which will take the No. 2 seed and a first-round bye to the tournament, hosts the winner of Monday's Buhl-Wendell game next Tuesday.

Filer 44, Kimberly 40

Kimberly	10	5	12	13	– 40
Filer	17	11	6	10	– 44

KIMBERLY (40)
Derek Maloney 9, Dalton Harmon 2, Brian Crane 9, Parker Champlin 8, Tyler Wadsworth 8, Ethan Richmond 4. Totals 13 13-17 40.
FILER (44)
Matt Ramseyer 1, Bryce Beard 17, Cassidy Babb 2, Cody Reynolds 6, Terrell Bailey 10, Justin Orban 8. Totals 15 8-15 44.
3-point goals: Kimberly 1 (Crane), Filer 6 (Beard 3, Bailey 2, Reynolds). Total fouls: Filer 15, Kimberly 19. Fouled out: none. Technical fouls: none.

Bruins

Continued from Sports 1

Marlee Chandler poured in eight. The Spartans were outrebounded 22-16.

"It was a one-possession game," Fetzer said. "It's just how it goes. We couldn't recover from those little slumps."

The Spartans (14-9) head for home, denied a state appearance for the fifth straight season.

"It was a good season," said Fetzer, a senior. "We never gave up and always fought."

The Bruins (16-8) travel to Jerome Thursday. They are winless against the Tigers this season, and the program hasn't claimed a victory over Jerome since 2006. Regardless of recent history, Twin Falls is aiming for a tournament title because as Jordan put it, "there's nothing to lose."

Twin Falls 41, Minico 39

Minico	8	12	7	12	– 39
Twin Falls	11	10	9	11	– 41

MINICO (39)
Kelli Kindig 3, Breonna Phillips 2, Kendra Bailey 9, Marlee Chandler 8, Brecka Fetzer 9, Tianna Stimpson 3, Taylor O'Connell 2, Melinda Martinez 3. Totals 11 13-21 39.
TWIN FALLS (41)
Josie Jordan 11, Mallory Jund 2, Allie Kelsey 2, Jazlyn Nielsen 19, Taylor Williams 2, Alex Simmons 4, Brylee Bartlett 1. Totals 13 13-20 41.
3-point goals: Minico 4 (Kindig, Bailey, Fetzer, Stimpson); Twin Falls 1 (Nielsen). Total fouls: Minico 19; Twin Falls 15. Fouled out: Minico, Bailey, Stimpson. Technical fouls: none.

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Wall's double-double leads No. 3 Kentucky past Alabama

LEXINGTON, Ky. — John Wall had 22 points and 10 rebounds for his first double-double, and fellow freshman DeMarcus Cousins got his seventh in a row, as No. 3 Kentucky outmuscled Alabama 66-55 on Tuesday night.

With 16 points and 13 rebounds, Cousins extended his UK freshman record with 15 double-doubles. The last Kentucky player to get seven in a row was Jim Andrews, who had a team-record 10 straight in 1973.

With the victory, Kentucky (23-1, 8-1) remained in first place in the Southeastern Conference East Division, one game ahead of Vanderbilt, which beat Tennessee on Tuesday.

NO. 6 PURDUE 76, NO. 10 MICHIGAN ST. 64

EAST LANSING, Mich. — E'Twaun Moore scored a season-high 25 points and JaJuan Johnson added 19 for Purdue.

The Boilermakers (20-3, 8-3) have won six straight, while the Spartans (19-6, 9-3) have lost three in a row to lose their commanding lead in the Big Ten.

Michigan State trailed by 18 points early in the second half, but pulled within three with 4½ minutes left. The Boilermakers held off the rally to snap a nine-game skid at the Breslin Center and reach the 20-win mark for the fourth straight season.

NO. 7 GEORGETOWN 79, PROVIDENCE 70

PROVIDENCE, R.I. — Chris Wright scored 21 points and Greg Monroe had 12 points and 12 assists to lead Georgetown.

Wright scored 16 points in the second half as the Hoyas (18-5, 8-5 Big East) erased an eight-point deficit.

ILLINOIS 63, NO. 11 WISCONSIN 56

MADISON, Wis. — Demetri McCamey scored 27 points and Mike Tisdale added 19 on 8-of-11 shooting as Illinois snapped Wisconsin's 51-0 home record against unranked Big Ten opponents under coach Bo Ryan.

The Illini (17-8, 9-3) became the first team to beat Ryan three times at the Kohl Center after wins in 2005 and '06, and ended Wisconsin's 18-game home winning streak.

Illinois won its fifth straight game after a 78-73 win over then-No. 5 Michigan State on Saturday.

NO. 22 VANDERBILT 90, NO. 12 TENNESSEE 71

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — Jeffery Taylor scored 16 of his career-high 26 points in the first half, and Vanderbilt swept the season series against its instate rival.

The Commodores (18-5, 7-2) grabbed sole possession of second place in the Southeastern Conference's Eastern Division, one loss behind No. 3 Kentucky.

— The Associated Press

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EASTERN

ATLANTIC	W	L	Pct	GB
Boston	32	17	.653	—
Toronto	28	23	.549	5
Philadelphia	20	31	.392	13
New York	19	32	.373	14
New Jersey	4	47	.078	29
SOUTHEAST	**W**	**L**	**Pct**	**GB**
Orlando	35	17	.673	—
Atlanta	33	17	.660	1
Charlotte	25	25	.500	9
Miami	25	27	.481	10
Washington	17	33	.340	17
CENTRAL	**W**	**L**	**Pct**	**GB**
Cleveland	42	11	.792	—
Chicago	25	25	.500	15½
Milwaukee	23	27	.460	17½
Detroit	18	32	.360	22½
Indiana	18	34	.346	23½

WESTERN

SOUTHWEST	W	L	Pct	GB
Dallas	32	20	.615	—
San Antonio	29	21	.580	2
Houston	27	24	.529	4½
New Orleans	27	25	.519	5
Memphis	26	25	.510	5½
NORTHWEST	**W**	**L**	**Pct**	**GB**
Denver	35	17	.673	—
Utah	31	18	.633	2½
Oklahoma City	29	21	.580	5
Portland	30	23	.566	5½
Minnesota	13	39	.250	22
PACIFIC	**W**	**L**	**Pct**	**GB**
L.A. Lakers	40	13	.755	—
Phoenix	31	21	.596	8½
L.A. Clippers	21	29	.420	17½
Sacramento	17	34	.333	22
Golden State	13	37	.260	25½

Monday's Games

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Tuesday's Games

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Detroit 93, Milwaukee 81
Atlanta 108, Memphis 94
Denver 127, Dallas 91
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Utah at L.A. Clippers, late

Wednesday's Games

Miami at Atlanta, 5 p.m.
Philadelphia at Toronto, 5 p.m.
Sacramento at Detroit, 5:30 p.m.
Milwaukee at New Jersey, 5:30 p.m.
Orlando at Chicago, 6 p.m.
Charlotte at Minnesota, 6 p.m.
Boston at New Orleans, 6 p.m.
L.A. Lakers at Utah, 7 p.m.
Portland at Phoenix, 7 p.m.
L.A. Clippers at Golden State, 8:30 p.m.

Thursday's Games

Orlando at Cleveland, 6 p.m.
San Antonio at Denver, 8:30 p.m.

NBA Boxes

NUGGETS 127, MAVERICKS 91

DALLAS (91)
Howard 5-12 3-4 14, Nowitzki 5-17 7-7 17, Najera 1-2 1-2 3, Kidd 3-5 0-0 9, Terry 3-8 9-9 16, Gooden 2-4 4-4 8, Beaubois 1-3 0-0 2, Barea 1-6 0-0 2, Ross 2-4 0-0 5, Singleton 4-9 2-2 11, Carroll 2-6 0-0 4. Totals 29-76 26-28 91.
DENVER (127)
Anthony 8-16 0-0 19, Allen 2-5 2-2 6, Nene 8-9 5-6 21, Billups 6-8 1-1 16, Afflalo 2-7 2-2 8, Andersen 4-6 6-7 14, Smith 5-11 0-0 12, Lawson 6-8 1-2 13, Petro 5-5 3-3 13, Carter 1-2 0-0 3, Graham 1-2 0-0 2. Totals 48-79 20-23 127.

Dallas	21	18	31	21	—	91
Denver	32	33	38	24	—	127

3-Point Goals—Dallas 7-21 (Kidd 3-4, Ross 1-1, Terry 1-2, Howard 1-3, Singleton 1-3, Najera 0-1, Beaubois 0-1, Barea 0-1, Nowitzki 0-2, Carroll 0-3), Denver 11-18 (Billups 3-5, Anthony 3-5, Afflalo 2-2, Smith 2-4, Carter 1-1, Lawson 0-1). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Dallas 32 (Gooden 6), Denver 51 (Andersen 10). Assists—Dallas 16 (Kidd 5), Denver 28 (Lawson 7). Total Fouls—Dallas 17, Denver 19. Technicals—Dallas defensive three second. A—17,485 (19,155).

BULLS 109, PACERS 101

CHICAGO (109)
Deng 9-18 5-7 23, Gibson 1-2 2-2 4, Miller 5-10 2-6 13, Rose 9-18 3-3 21, Hinrich 6-13 2-2 17, Thomas 4-5 1-1 9, Richard 0-3 1-2 1, Salmons 7-10 7-10 21, Brown 0-2 0-0 0. Totals 41-81 23-33 109.
INDIANA (101)
Granger 9-23 6-7 27, Murphy 7-12 3-4 18, Hibbert 4-13 1-2 9, Watson 6-11 1-2 14, Rush 3-10 0-0 7, Dunleavy 1-7 0-0 2, S.Jones 2-3 2-2 6, Head 0-1 0-0 0, Ford 4-6 0-0 9, D.Jones 4-6 1-2 9. Totals 40-92 14-19 101.

Chicago	29	28	24	28	—	109
Indiana	28	32	26	15	—	101

3-Point Goals—Chicago 4-13 (Hinrich 3-6, Miller 1-3, Rose 0-1, Deng 0-1, Salmons 0-2), Indiana 7-19 (Granger 3-7, Watson 1-1, Ford 1-1, Murphy 1-3, Rush 1-5, Dunleavy 0-2). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Chicago 54 (Deng 11), Indiana 53 (Murphy 16). Assists—Chicago 16 (Rose 7), Indiana 17 (Watson 6). Total Fouls—Chicago 16, Indiana 23. Technicals—Chicago defensive three second, Indiana defensive three second. A—12,945 (18,165).

HAWKS 108, GRIZZLIES 94

ATLANTA (108)
Marv.Williams 6-10 3-3 15, Jos.Smith 7-10 3-6 17, Horford 5-7 5-6 15, Bibby 4-9 3-3 11, Johnson 5-9 0-0 11, Crawford 9-14 5-7 28, J. Smith 2-3 0-0 4, Evans 1-6 0-0 3, Teague 1-4 0-0 2, Collins 0-1 0-0 0, West 1-1 0-0 2, Morris 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 41-74 19-25 108.
MEMPHIS (94)
Gay 8-13 2-2 18, Randolph 9-17 2-3 20, Gasol 3-7 5-6 11, Conley 5-9 0-0 12, Mayo 7-18 1-1 16, Arthur 2-3 0-0 4, Marc.Williams 1-3 0-0 3, Young 4-8 0-0 8, Hudson 1-2 0-0 2, Carroll 0-0 0-0 0, Thabeet 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 40-80 10-12 94.

Atlanta	27	26	29	26	—	108
Memphis	30	25	20	19	—	94

3-Point Goals—Atlanta 7-16 (Crawford 5-7, Johnson 1-1, Evans 1-2, Marv.Williams 0-2, Bibby 0-4), Memphis 4-14 (Conley 2-3, Marc.Williams 1-1, Mayo 1-6, Randolph 0-1, Gay 0-1, Young 0-2). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Atlanta 47 (Horford 8), Memphis 34 (Randolph 14). Assists—Atlanta 25 (Bibby 6), Memphis 22 (Conley 7). Total Fouls—Atlanta 17, Memphis 17. Technicals—Bibby, Memphis defensive three second 2. A—10,491 (18,119).

KINGS 118, ROCKETS 114

SACRAMENTO (118)
Casspi 7-17 3-3 18, Greene 9-12 2-4 24, Hawes 0-2 0-0 0, Udrih 2-4 0-0 4, Evans 11-26 5-7 27, Martin 7-13 2-4 17, Thompson 5-8 2-2 12, Rodriguez 1-1 1-2 3, Nocioni 2-8 4-4 9, Brockman 1-3 0-0 2, Udoka 0-2 2-2 2. Totals 45-96 21-28 118.
NEW YORK (114)
Gallinari 2-5 4-7 9, Chandler 15-23 5-6 35, Lee 9-17 3-3 21, Duhon 2-10 3-5 7, Jeffries 4-10 3-3 13, Harrington 6-13 2-5 17, Robinson 4-15 2-2 11, Hill 0-1 1-2 1. Totals 42-94 23-33 114.

Sacramento	26	26	24	29	13	—	118
New York	33	23	28	21	9	—	114

3-Point Goals—Sacramento 7-19 (Greene 4-5, Martin 1-2, Nocioni 1-3, Casspi 1-8, Evans 0-1), New York 7-29 (Harrington 3-6, Jeffries 2-4, Gallinari 1-4, Robinson 1-6, Chandler 0-3, Duhon 0-6). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Sacramento 69 (Thompson 11), New York 51 (Jeffries, Lee 10). Assists—Sacramento 21 (Evans 6), New York 26 (Duhon 9). Total Fouls—Sacramento 24, New York 21. Technicals—Sacramento defensive three second. A—19,531 (19,763).

CAVALIERS 104, NETS 97

NEW JERSEY (97)
Hayes 8-13 0-1 19, Yi 5-9 1-2 11, Lopez 8-15 7-9 23, Dooling 4-10 2-2 11, Lee 9-15 5-5 24, T.Williams 0-4 0-0 0, Humphries 1-1 0-0 2, Battie 2-5 0-0 4, Hassell 1-2 0-0 2, Quinn 0-0 1-1 1. Totals 38-74 16-20 97.
CLEVELAND (104)
James 13-21 5-9 32, Hickson 3-5 2-2 8, O'Neal 3-5 1-2 7, Gibson 4-7 2-3 11, Parker 2-4 2-4 7, Ilgauskas 1-10 0-0 2, Varejao 6-7 3-4 15, Moon 1-3 2-2 5, J.Williams 6-12 2-3 17. Totals 39-74 19-29 104.

New Jersey	27	22	23	25	—	97
Cleveland	26	29	23	26	—	104

3-Point Goals—New Jersey 5-11 (Hayes 3-6, Lee 1-2, Dooling 1-3), Cleveland 7-18 (J.Williams 3-5, Moon 1-2, Gibson 1-2, Parker 1-3, James 1-4, Ilgauskas 0-2). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—New Jersey 39 (Lopez 14), Cleveland 46 (Varejao 9). Assists—New Jersey 23 (Dooling 7), Cleveland 27 (James 11). Total Fouls—New Jersey 21, Cleveland 13. Technicals—New Jersey defensive three second, Ilgauskas, Varejao, Cleveland defensive three second. A—20,562 (20,562).

PISTONS 93, BUCKS 81

DETROIT (93)
Prince 7-11 2-3 18, Jerebko 3-6 0-2 6, Wallace 0-3 0-0 0, Stuckey 9-19 0-0 18, Hamilton 4-12 6-6 15, Bynum 1-5 2-2 4, Maxiell 7-11 0-0 14, Villanueva 0-5 0-0 0, Gordon 6-12 4-4 18. Totals 37-84 14-17 93.
MILWAUKEE (81)
Delfino 3-11 0-0 9, Mbah a Moute 4-8 1-2 9, Bogut 8-21 1-2 17, Jennings 5-16 6-8 18, Bell 5-8 4-4 15, Warrick 1-4 0-0 2, Stackhouse 2-6 0-0 4, Ridnour 2-6 3-3 7, Ilyasova 0-2 0-0 0, Meeks 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 30-82 15-19 81.

Detroit	20	25	19	29	—	93
Milwaukee	9	29	24	19	—	81

3-Point Goals—Detroit 5-12 (Prince 2-2, Gordon 2-4, Hamilton 1-2, Jerebko 0-1, Stuckey 0-1, Villanueva 0-2), Milwaukee 6-19 (Delfino 3-8, Jennings 2-6, Bell 1-2, Stackhouse 0-1, Ilyasova 0-1, Ridnour 0-1). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Detroit 54 (Jerebko 13), Milwaukee 52 (Bogut 18). Assists—Detroit 19 (Stuckey 7), Milwaukee 16 (Jennings 5). Total Fouls—Detroit 18, Milwaukee 18. A—12,017 (18,717).

HEAT 99, ROCKETS 66

HOUSTON (66)
Battier 2-6 0-1 5, Scola 5-12 2-2 12, Hayes 2-2 0-2 4, Brooks 3-16 3-3 10, Landry 4-10 3-3 11, Budinger 3-12 2-4 10, Andersen 3-9 0-0 6, Dorsey 0-1 0-0 0, Taylor 2-7 0-0 4, Temple 1-4 0-0 2, B.Cook 1-7 0-0 2. Totals 26-86 10-15 66.
MIAMI (99)
Richardson 1-2 2-2 5, Beasley 5-10 0-0 10, O'Neal 4-9 2-4 10, Alston 3-6 1-2 9, Wade 8-14 1-1 17, Wright 4-6 0-0 9, Anthony 0-2 0-0 0, Haslem 7-13 0-0 14, D.Cook 4-11 0-0 10, Arroyo 4-5 4-4 12, Magloire 0-0 0-0 0, Jones 1-1 0-0 3. Totals 41-79 10-13 99.

Houston	16	15	24	11	—	66
Miami	24	32	24	19	—	99

3-Point Goals—Houston 4-18 (Budinger 2-5, Brooks 1-4, Battier 1-5, B.Cook 0-1, Andersen 0-1, Temple 0-2), Miami 7-15 (Alston 2-4, D.Cook 2-6, Richardson 1-1, Jones 1-1, Wright 1-2, Wade 0-1). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Houston 54 (Hayes, Budinger 12), Miami 52 (Haslem 14). Assists—Houston 8 (Battier, Scola 2), Miami 27 (Wade, Wright, Arroyo 7). Total Fouls—Houston 15, Miami 21. A—18,654 (19,600).

76ERS 119, TIMBERWOLVES 97

MINNESOTA (97)
Gomes 4-8 2-2 10, Jefferson 5-12 2-3 12, Hollins 1-4 2-2 4, Flynn 4-10 6-8 14, Brewer 5-10 2-3 14, Love 3-8 3-5 10, Ellington 7-10 0-0 16, Cardinal 1-2 0-0 2, Sessions 4-6 1-2 9, Wilkins 0-1 0-0 0, Pecherov 2-3 1-1 6, Pavlovic 0-2 0-0 0. Totals 36-76 19-26 97.
PHILADELPHIA (119)
Iguodala 9-18 4-5 24, Brand 8-15 5-5 21, Dalembert 2-3 0-0 4, Holiday 3-4 0-0 6, Green 7-11 0-0 15, Young 6-10 3-3 15, Ivey 4-6 0-0 9, Williams 4-6 7-9 16, Smith 3-3 3-3 9, Speights 0-2 0-0 0, Kapono 0-0 0-0 0, Brezec 0-2 0-0 0. Totals 46-80 22-25 119.

Minnesota	23	28	25	21	—	97
Philadelphia	30	43	24	22	—	119

3-Point Goals—Minnesota 6-15 (Ellington 2-2, Brewer 2-4, Pecherov 1-1, Love 1-3, Pavlovic 0-1, Wilkins 0-1, Gomes 0-1, Flynn 0-2), Philadelphia 5-14 (Iguodala 2-5, Williams 1-1, Ivey 1-2, Green 1-4, Young 0-2). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Minnesota 41 (Jefferson 10), Philadelphia 43 (Young 8). Assists—Minnesota 21 (Sessions 4), Philadelphia 30 (Williams 7). Total Fouls—Minnesota 17, Philadelphia 22. A—11,038 (20,318).

BOBCATS 94, WIZARDS 92

WASHINGTON (92)
Butler 10-23 2-2 23, Jamison 6-18 3-4 16, Haywood 3-5 6-8 12, Foye 2-9 1-2 5, Miller 8-10 0-0 19, McGuire 0-1 0-0 0, Blatche 5-8 4-4 15, Young 1-2 0-0 2, Boykins 0-3 0-0 0, McGee 0-0 0-0 0, Stevenson 0-2 0-0 0. Totals 35-81 16-20 92.
CHARLOTTE (94)
Wallace 6-14 5-8 17, Diaw 7-14 0-0 16, Mohammed 2-5 0-0 4, Felton 4-9 3-3 11, Jackson 8-17 5-6 22, Chandler 1-2 3-4 5, Augustin 1-3 0-0 3, Murray 6-10 4-6 16. Totals 35-74 20-27 94.

Washington	27	22	21	22	—	92
Charlotte	24	26	23	21	—	94

3-Point Goals—Washington 6-18 (Miller 3-3, Blatche 1-1, Jamison 1-4, Butler 1-6, Stevenson 0-1, Foye 0-3), Charlotte 4-16 (Diaw 2-4, Augustin 1-2, Jackson 1-5, Wallace 0-1, Felton 0-2, Murray 0-2). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Washington 44 (Haywood 11), Charlotte 52 (Wallace 13). Assists—Washington 21 (Butler 8), Charlotte 21 (Felton, Augustin 5). Total Fouls—Washington 19, Charlotte 14. A—12,376 (19,077).

Monday's Late NBA Boxes

LAKERS 101, SPURS 89

SAN ANTONIO (89)
Jefferson 2-9 5-7 9, Duncan 8-17 0-0 16, McDyess 2-5 0-0 4, Parker 8-16 4-5 20, Hill 2-8 1-1 5, Bogans 0-1 0-0 0, Ginobili 7-11 4-4 21, Blair 5-11 1-1 11, Bonner 1-2 0-0 3, Mason 0-1 0-0 0, Finley 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 35-82 15-18 89.
L.A. LAKERS (101)
Artest 6-16 4-5 18, Odom 6-13 4-7 16, Gasol 8-20 5-5 21, Fisher 6-9 1-1 13, Brown 3-13 1-2 8, Farmar 5-7 2-4 13, Vujacic 3-3 0-0 8, Powell 0-3 0-0 0, Walton 1-3 2-2 4, Mbenga 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 38-87 19-26 101.

San Antonio	34	13	21	21	—	89
L.A. Lakers	28	22	23	28	—	101

3-Point Goals—San Antonio 4-12 (Ginobili 3-5, Bonner 1-1, Hill 0-1, Bogans 0-1, Mason 0-1, Jefferson 0-1, Finley 0-1, Parker 0-1), L.A. Lakers 6-14 (Vujacic 2-2, Artest 2-5, Farmar 1-1, Brown 1-3, Walton 0-1, Odom 0-2). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—San Antonio 49 (Duncan 15), L.A. Lakers 57 (Gasol 19). Assists—San Antonio 17 (Parker 8), L.A. Lakers 20 (Gasol 8). Total Fouls—San Antonio 24, L.A. Lakers 13. Technicals—L.A. Lakers defensive three second. A—18,997 (18,997).

MAVERICKS 127, WARRIORS 117

DALLAS (127)
Marion 2-5 1-2 5, Nowitzki 4-9 7-7 15, Najera 0-0 0-0 0, Kidd 5-9 3-4 17, Terry 9-17 12-13 36, Gooden 8-14 8-8 24, Beaubois 0-0 0-0 0, Howard 7-12 10-12 25, Barea 2-5 0-0 5. Totals 37-71 41-46 127.
GOLDEN STATE (117)
Morrow 12-20 4-4 33, Turiaf 5-9 4-6 14, Biedrins 2-3 0-0 4, Curry 9-20 6-6 25, Ellis 10-23 5-7 27, Tolliver 4-10 6-6 14, Watson 0-0 0-0 0, Hunter 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 42-85 25-29 117.

Dallas	29	32	29	37	—	127
Golden State	34	36	28	19	—	117

3-Point Goals—Dallas 12-22 (Terry 6-9, Kidd 4-6, Howard 1-2, Barea 1-3, Nowitzki 0-2), Golden State 8-20 (Morrow 5-9, Ellis 2-5, Curry 1-5, Tolliver 0-1). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Dallas 44 (Gooden 10), Golden State 42 (Morrow, Tolliver 11). Assists—Dallas 33 (Kidd 12), Golden State 28 (Curry 9). Total Fouls—Dallas 19, Golden State 25. Technicals—Howard, Dallas defensive three second. A—17,015 (19,596).

GAME PLAN

LOCAL

COLLEGE SOFTBALL
1 p.m.
CSI vs. Colorado Northwestern, at St. George, Utah (DH)

HIGH SCHOOL BOYS BASKETBALL
7:30 p.m.
Murtaugh at Community School
Gooding at Valley
Jerome at Wood River
Minico at Burley
Twin Falls at Canyon Ridge

HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS BASKETBALL
Class 3A Sawtooth Central Idaho Conference Tournament
At CSI
7 p.m.
Championship, Gooding vs. Kimberly

Class 1A Division I Snake River Conference Tournament
7 p.m.
Second place game, Raft River vs. Challis

Class 1A Division II Northside Conference Tournament
At Carey
6 p.m.
Elimination game, Carey vs. Camas County
7:30 p.m.
Championship, Dietrich vs. Richfield

HIGH SCHOOL WRESTLING
5 p.m.
Filer, Twin Falls at Jerome
Minico at Preston
Wendell at Kimberly

TV SCHEDULE

AUTO RACING
10 a.m.
SPEED — NASCAR, Sprint Cup, practice for Daytona 500, at Daytona Beach, Fla.
Noon
SPEED — NASCAR, Sprint Cup, practice for Daytona 500, at Daytona Beach, Fla.
4 p.m.
SPEED — NASCAR, Truck Series, practice for Camping World 300, at Daytona Beach, Fla.

MEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL
5 p.m.
ESPN — Connecticut at Syracuse
ESPN2 — Florida St. at Clemson
7 p.m.
ESPN — Duke at North Carolina
ESPN2 — Baylor at Nebraska
9 p.m.
ESPN2 — Nevada at Idaho

Men's College Scores

Far West
Colorado St. 51, Air Force 47
Southwest
Lamar 75, Lyon 46
Texas Tech 72, Oklahoma 71
East
Georgetown 79, Providence 70
New Hampshire 62, Albany, N.Y. 53
Rutgers 70, Caldwell 62
Saint Louis 56, Saint Joseph's 52
Vermont 76, Boston U. 75
Midwest
Akron 56, Cent. Michigan 52
Creighton 65, Indiana St. 52
Evansville 65, Wichita St. 62
Illinois 63, Wisconsin 56
Illinois St. 62, Bradley 61
Ohio 90, W. Michigan 74
Purdue 76, Michigan St. 64
South
George Mason 82, Va. Commonwealth 77, OT
Houston 74, W. Kentucky 72
Kentucky 66, Alabama 55
Marshall 115, Rio Grande 73
Tenn.-Martin 73, SE Missouri 70
Vanderbilt 90, Tennessee 71
Wake Forest 92, Boston College 85

NJCAA Division I Men's Poll

Team	Rec.	Pts.	Pvs.
1. Midland College	25-0	320	1
2. Harcum College	21-0	293	3
3. Northwest Florida St. College	22-2	269	7
4. Howard College	21-2	261	6
5. Connors St. College	19-2	238	2
6. Wabash Valley College	21-2	226	9
7. Wallace St. CC-Hanceville	23-2	208	5
8. North Idaho College	21-3	204	4
9. Shelton St. CC	23-2	182	12
10. Hutchinson CC	22-3	163	8
11. East Mississippi CC	19-3	145	14
12. Tallahassee CC	20-4	119	11
13. San Jacinto-Central	20-4	111	10
14. Middle Georgia College	20-3	101	16
15. Kankakee CC	21-4	94	15
16. McLennan CC	21-3	90	13
17. John A. Logan College	19-4	56	19
18. Butler CC	20-4	51	21
19. North Platte CC	19-3	35	—
20. Paris JC	19-3	31	22
21. Odessa College	20-5	26	17
22. Alabama Southern CC	22-3	22	—
23. Cochise College	20-4	21	23
24. Three Rivers CC	20-5	14	24
25. Cape Fear CC	18-3	11	—

Others receiving votes: Pearl River CC 9, Salt Lake CC 8, Snead State CC 7, Chattanooga State CC 5, Southwestern Illinois College 5, Chipola College 4, Collin County CC 4, Indian River St. College 4, Central Florida CC 1, Indian Hills CC-Ottumwa 1, Southeastern CC 1.

Scenic West Athletic Conference Standings

Through Feb. 9

Men

Team	SWAC	Overall
North Idaho	11-3	21-3
Salt Lake CC	10-4	19-5
Eastern Utah	10-5	16-8
CSI	**8-6**	**16-8**
Snow College	3-11	9-15
Colo. NW CC	1-14	1-22

Women

Team	SWAC	Overall
North Idaho	11-3	20-3
Salt Lake CC	11-3	19-4
Snow College	9-5	18-6
CSI	**9-5**	**17-7**
Eastern Utah	3-12	7-18
Colo. NW CC	0-15	2-19

Women's College Scores

Far West
Colorado St. 80, Air Force 46
Midwest
Marquette 63, South Florida 50
Notre Dame 66, Cincinnati 50
South
Presbyterian 74, Allen 29
Winthrop 57, N.C. Central 39
East
Duquesne 54, Rhode Island 47
Fairfield 61, Marist 60
Hartford 59, Maine 32
Villanova 83, Syracuse 69

HOCKEY

NHL

All Times MST

EASTERN

ATLANTIC	GP	W	L	OT	PTS	GF	GA
New Jersey	58	36	20	2	74	153	134
Pittsburgh	59	35	22	2	72	187	171
Philadelphia	57	29	25	3	61	167	154
N.Y. Rangers	59	26	26	7	59	152	163
N.Y. Islanders	59	24	27	8	56	150	183
NORTHEAST	**GP**	**W**	**L**	**OT**	**PTS**	**GF**	**GA**
Ottawa	60	34	22	4	72	167	167
Buffalo	58	32	18	8	72	160	147
Montreal	60	28	26	6	62	154	162
Boston	58	25	22	11	61	141	148
Toronto	60	19	30	11	49	162	204
SOUTHEAST	**GP**	**W**	**L**	**OT**	**PTS**	**GF**	**GA**
Washington	59	41	12	6	88	234	161
Tampa Bay	58	26	21	11	63	150	167
Atlanta	57	25	24	8	58	172	183
Florida	59	24	26	9	57	153	171
Carolina	59	22	30	7	51	159	189

WESTERN

CENTRAL	GP	W	L	OT	PTS	GF	GA
Chicago	59	39	15	5	83	189	138
Nashville	58	31	22	5	67	162	164
Detroit	59	27	21	11	65	153	160
St. Louis	60	26	25	9	61	155	169
Columbus	60	24	27	9	57	156	194
NORTHWEST	**GP**	**W**	**L**	**OT**	**PTS**	**GF**	**GA**
Vancouver	58	35	21	2	72	185	143
Colorado	58	33	19	6	72	172	151
Calgary	60	29	22	9	67	152	152
Minnesota	58	29	25	4	62	161	170
Edmonton	58	18	34	6	42	145	199
PACIFIC	**GP**	**W**	**L**	**OT**	**PTS**	**GF**	**GA**
San Jose	59	39	11	9	87	200	145
Phoenix	60	36	19	5	77	163	151
Los Angeles	59	36	20	3	75	180	163
Dallas	59	26	21	12	64	169	185
Anaheim	59	28	24	7	63	166	181

NOTE: Two points for a win, one point for overtime loss.

Monday's Games

San Jose 3, Toronto 2
Philadelphia 3, New Jersey 2
Colorado 5, St. Louis 2
Phoenix 6, Edmonton 1
Anaheim 4, Los Angeles 2

Tuesday's Games

Boston 3, Buffalo 2, SO
N.Y. Islanders 4, Nashville 3, SO
St. Louis 4, Detroit 3, SO
Chicago 4, Dallas 3, SO
Carolina 4, Florida 1
Ottawa 3, Calgary 2
Tampa Bay 3, Vancouver 1

Wednesday's Games

Philadelphia at New Jersey, 5 p.m.
Nashville at N.Y. Rangers, 5 p.m.
San Jose at Columbus, 5 p.m.
Washington at Montreal, 5:30 p.m.
N.Y. Islanders at Pittsburgh, 5:30 p.m.
Phoenix at Minnesota, 6 p.m.
Atlanta at Colorado, 7 p.m.
Edmonton at Anaheim, 8 p.m.

Thursday's Games

Washington at Ottawa, 5 p.m.
Buffalo at Carolina, 5 p.m.
Boston at Tampa Bay, 5:30 p.m.
Vancouver at Florida, 5:30 p.m.
San Jose at Detroit, 5:30 p.m.
Dallas at Calgary, 7:30 p.m.
Edmonton at Los Angeles, 8:30 p.m.

TENNIS

ATP World Tour ABN AMRO World Tennis Tournament

Tuesday
At Ahoy' Stadium
Rotterdam, Netherlands
Purse: $1.57 million (WT500)
Surface: Hard-Indoor

Singles
First Round

Marco Chiudinelli, Switzerland, def. Michael Llodra, France, 6-1, 6-7 (5), 7-6 (6).
Marsel Ilhan, Turkey, def. Guillermo Garcia-Lopez, Spain, 6-1, 6-4.
Julien Benneteau, France, def. Ivan Ljubicic (7), Croatia, 6-3, 6-3.
Thiemo de Bakker, Netherlands, def. Jan Hajek, Czech Republic, 7-6 (5), 6-3.
Novak Djokovic (1), Serbia, def. Sergiy Stakhovsky, Ukraine, 6-2, 4-1, retired.
Mikhail Youzhny (6), Russia, def. Andrey Golubev, Kazakhstan, 1-6, 7-6 (0), 7-6 (5).

Doubles
First Round

Frantisek Cermak, Czech Republic/Michal Mertinak (2), Slovakia, def. Jesse Huta Galung/Igor Sijsling, Netherlands, 6-3, 6-2.
Christopher Kas, Germany/Dick Norman, Belgium, def. Ivan Ljubicic, Croatia/Jurgen Melzer, Austria, 6-1, 7-6 (2).
Feliciano Lopez/Tommy Robredo, Spain, def. Martin Damm, Czech Republic/Filip Polasek, Slovakia, 6-4, 7-6 (3).
Daniel Nestor, Canada/Nenad Zimonjic (1), Serbia, def. Janko Tipsarevic/Viktor Troicki, Serbia, 7-6 (1), 6-1.

ATP World Tour SAP Open

Tuesday
At HP Pavilion
San Jose, Calif.
Purse: $600,000 (WT250)
Surface: Hard-Indoor

Singles
First Round

Benjamin Becker, Germany, def. Tim Smyczek, U.S., 6-4, 6-2.
Bjorn Phau, Germany, def. Jeremy Chardy (8), France, 6-3, 6-1.
Ricardas Berankis, Lithuania, def. Robby Ginepri, U.S., 6-7 (7), 6-1, 6-3.
Philipp Kohlschreiber (6), Germany, def. Rajeev Ram, U.S., 6-7 (7), 6-1, 6-3.
Michael Russell, U.S., def. Kyu Tae Im, South Korea, 7-6 (6), 6-1.
Tommy Haas (4), Germany, def. Devin Britton, U.S., 6-4, 7-6 (3).

Doubles
First Round

Benjamin Becker, Germany/Leonardo Mayer, Argentina, def. Scott Lipsky/David Martin, U.S., 2-6, 7-6 (6), 12-10.
Denis Istomin, Uzbekistan/Dudi Sela, Israel, def. Jeremy Chardy, France/Jarkko Nieminen, Finland, 6-3, 3-6, 10-8.
Johan Brunstrom, Sweden/Jean-Julien Rojer (3), Netherlands Antilles, def. Tomas Berdych, Czech Republic/Philipp Kohlschreiber, Germany, 7-6 (2), 6-2.

TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL
American League

BALTIMORE ORIOLES—Agreed to terms with LHP Mark Hendrickson on a one-year contract and LHP Will Ohman on a minor league contract. Designated RHP Armando Gabino for assignment.
CLEVELAND INDIANS—Agreed to terms with RHP Jamey Wright on a minor league contract.
MINNESOTA TWINS—Agreed to terms with OF Jacque Jones on a minor league contract.
OAKLAND ATHLETICS—Released OF Willy Taveras.

National League

MILWAUKEE BREWERS—Agreed to terms with LHP Scott Schoeneweis on a minor league contract.
NEW YORK METS—Agreed to terms with OF Angel Pagan on a one-year contract. Claimed OF Jason Pridie off waivers from Minnesota. Designated RHP Jack Egbert for assignment.
SAN DIEGO PADRES—Agreed to terms with C Yorvit Torrealba on a one-year contract. Released RHP Greg Burke.

BASKETBALL
Women's National Basketball Association

LOS ANGELES SPARKS—Signed G Ticha Penicheiro.
SEATTLE STORM—Signed F Le'coe Willingham.

FOOTBALL
National Football League

BUFFALO BILLS—Named Eric Ciano and John Gamble co-strength and conditioning coaches.
MINNESOTA TWINS—Agreed to terms with OF Jacque Jones to a minor league contract.
PITTSBURGH STEELERS—Signed P Adam Graessle and WR Brandon London.

HOCKEY
National Hockey League

ATLANTA THRASHERS—Placed D Boris Valabik on injured reserve.
CAROLINA HURRICANES—Activated F Tuomo Ruutu from injured reserve.
MONTREAL CANADIENS—Called up LW Tom Pyatt from Hamilton (AHL). Assigned F Ryan White and F Brock Trotter to Hamilton.
NASHVILLE PREDATORS—Recalled F Colin Wilson and D Nolan Yonkman from Milwaukee (AHL). Placed D Cody Franson on injured reserve.
NEW JERSEY DEVILS—Recalled D Rob Davison from Lowell (AHL).
PHOENIX COYOTES—Recalled F Mikkel Boedker and F Jeff Hoggan from San Antonio (AHL). Placed C Joel Perrault on injured reserve.
TAMPA BAY LIGHTNING—Signed F Mark Parrish to a one-year contract and assigned him to Norfolk (AHL). Recalled D David Hale from Norfolk.
WASHINGTON CAPITALS—Recalled G Semyon Varlamov from Hershey (AHL).

COLLEGE

ARIZONA—Named Frank Scelfo quarterbacks coach. Promoted Bill Bedenbaugh and Seth Littrell to co-offensive coordinators.
FAULKNER—Named Reed Sutton women's basketball coach.
OKLAHOMA—Suspended G Stephen Pledger and F Andrew Fitzgerald.
RUTGERS—Suspended women's basketball coach C. Vivian Stringer for one game for misusing practice players.
STANFORD—Named Vic Fangio defensive coordinator, Brian Polian special teams coordinator and Randy Hart defensive line coach.
SYRACUSE—Announced the resignation of running backs coach Roger Harriott.

Vegas police find lack of evidence in case of Rams' Jackson

LAS VEGAS — St. Louis Rams running back Steven Jackson won't face criminal charges over allegations that he beat a girlfriend who was nine months pregnant with the couple's child at his Las Vegas home last year, a police spokeswoman said Tuesday.

Investigators found insufficient evidence that Jackson, 26, attacked Supriya Harris of Mableton, Ga., in March 2009, Las Vegas police Officer Barbara Morgan said.

"Our investigation is complete," said Morgan, a department spokeswoman. "I don't think the time passage was a factor here. We contacted the victim, the accused and witnesses. There's insufficient evidence to go forward with the case."

Morgan said the case will be closed, and that records relating to the investigation would not immediately be released.

Jackson's publicist, Steve Caric, said the running back had no comment.

Harris, 29, filed a complaint Jan. 27 with authorities in LaPlace, La., alleging that the two-time Pro Bowl running back repeatedly pushed her to the ground and "flung" her against a door before his nephew intervened.

Copies of the report were posted online by CBS Sports and the celebrity Web site TMZ. In it, Harris said she was treated at a hospital for a cut on her hip from hitting a door handle.

Harris told police Jackson later urged her to say she was injured during a fall in the shower.

Peppers doesn't want long-term deal with Panthers

CHARLOTTE, N.C.— Julius Peppers no longer wants a long-term contract with Carolina, saying the Panthers have ignored him this offseason.

In an interview aired Tuesday morning on Charlotte radio station WFNZ-AM, the five-time Pro Bowl defensive end indicated he's irritated by the team's "silence" and has changed his stance on whether he wants to continue his career in Carolina.

"Last year, at the time, that was the option that I wanted most," Peppers said. "Now it's not."

While agent Carl Carey said last week he believes the Panthers aren't interested in retaining Peppers, Carolina's career sacks leader, team officials haven't announced their plans for the impending free agent. General manager Marty Hurney didn't immediately return a phone message Tuesday.

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Adult soccer league meeting set

An organizational meeting for the new Adult Outdoor Soccer League is scheduled for 5:30 p.m., Thursday, Feb. 18 at the Twin Falls Parks and Recreation Office (136 Maxwell Avenue). League set up, rules, location and fees will be discussed. Teams will be 6-on-6 coed and games will be played on Fridays at Sunway Soccer Complex, beginning April 2 and running through May. Rosters and fees are due by March 19.

Information: 736-2265.

S.I. VB club holds fundraiser

The Southern Idaho Volleyball Club will hold a Bunco Fundraiser at 6 p.m., Feb. 26 on at the Canyon Springs Golf Course club house. The cost is $20 per person and includes prizes, a raffle and a dessert auction.

Information: Launa Jayo at 539-7243 or Rachel Anderson at 420-4675.

IHSAA holds umpire rules clinic

The IHSAA state rules clinics for baseball and softball will be held Monday, Feb. 15, at Twin Falls High School. The softball clinic will begin at 6 p.m. and with baseball at 7:15. Those wishing to umpire high school baseball or softball during the 2010 season must attend.

Information: District IV commissioner Craig Mills at 878-6606 or e-mail to milcraig@sd151.k12.id.us.

Kimberly FFA holds donkey hoops

KIMBERLY — Kimberly High School FFA will hold a donkey basketball fundraisder game at 7 p.m., Friday, Feb. 19. Kimberly's FFA members will ace the First Federal Kimberly City league team. Tickets are $8 for adults, $6 or students in grades 7-12 and $4 for grades K-6.

T.F. co-ed softball meetings set

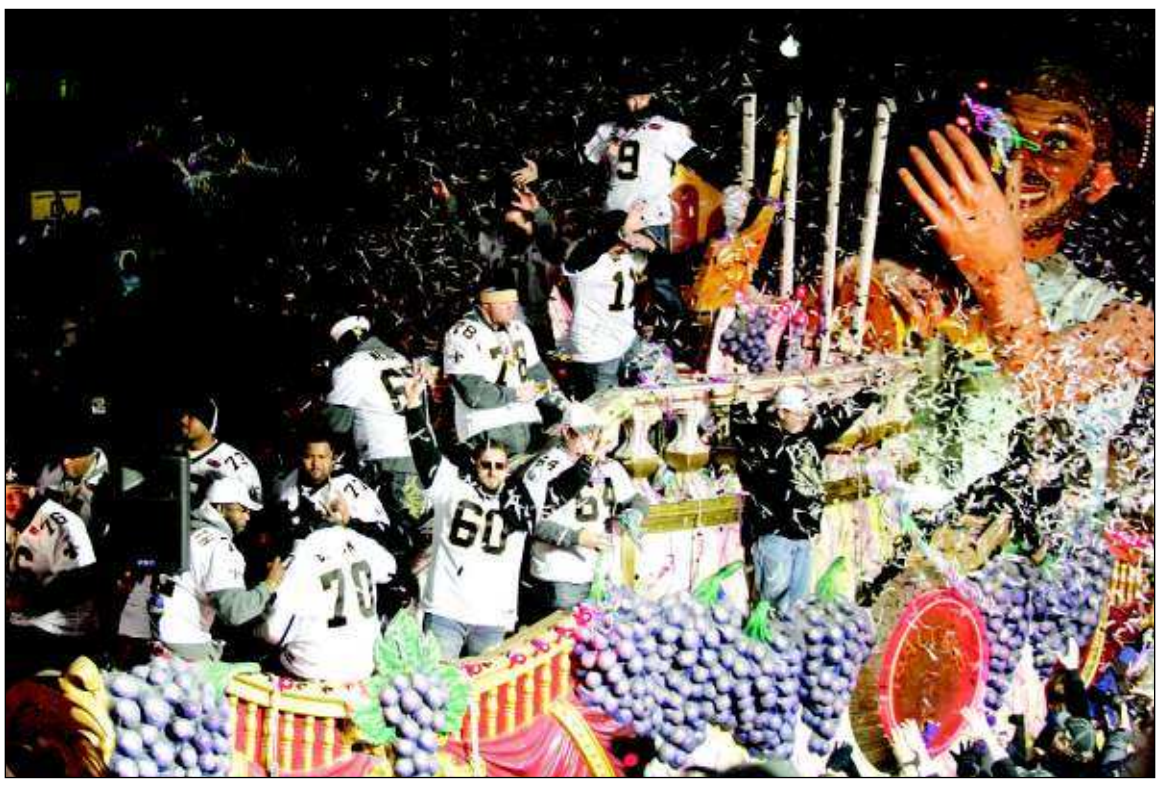
Twin Falls Parks and Recreation will hold a meeting for co-ed softball at 6 p.m., March 22. Teams may pick up roster forms and rules at this time. A second meeting to turn in fees and completed rosters will be held at 6 p.m., May 3.

Gooding holds volleyball tourneys

GOODING — The Gooding boys basketball team will hold a co-ed 6-on-6 volleyball tournament Saturday. Feb. 13. The cost is $120 per team.

Information: Max Piper at 539-4666 or piper_max@hotmail.com.

— Staff and wire reports



New Orleans Saints quarterback Drew Brees (9) and the offensive line stand on a float and wave to fans during a parade in New Orleans, Tuesday. The Saints won Super Bowl XLIV on Sunday.

AP photo

Good times roll at Saints victory parade

NEW ORLEANS (AP) — Only a Super Bowl victory parade could upstage Mardi Gras in New Orleans.

Carnival floats carrying Saints players, coaches and team owner Tom Benson rolled past tens of thousands of jubilant fans in downtown New Orleans on Tuesday, two days after the 43-year-old franchise won its first NFL championship.

Players, wearing team jerseys instead of traditional Carnival masks and costumes, tossed beads into the crowd and signed autographs for throngs of screaming fans. Benson shouted "Who Dat!" into a microphone from his perch atop a float. Head coach Sean Payton blew kisses and held the Lombardi Trophy over his head.

"This is wilder than Mardi Gras," said Frank V. Smith, 55, a lifelong New Orleans resident who shot photographs of players from the rear of a pickup truck. "I've never seen so many people out here like this. This is beautiful, man."

The parade, a week before the city's signature Fat Tuesday celebration, started outside their home turf at the Louisiana Superdome. Black, gold and white confetti floated over the crowd and a man wearing a Saints jacket held aloft a sign that read, "Happy Lombardi Gras!"

The floats stopped at a reviewing stand at historic Gallier Hall so elected officials, including Mayor Ray Nagin, Sen. Mary Landrieu and Gov. Bobby Jindal, could toast the team's 31-17 win over the Indianapolis Colts.

"How's the 'Who Dat' nation feel tonight?" Super Bowl MVP Drew Brees yelled when his float stopped at the reviewing stand. "This toast goes out to you. We love you and we won that championship for you."

Ten Carnival krewes lent floats for the team to ride. More than a dozen marching bands joined the team on its route, which passed by the edge of the French Quarter and ended at the city's convention center.

Shannon Cobb, 28, of Metairie, said the parade was a party with a purpose.

"Everybody is here for one reason: their love for the city and their love for the Saints and to show our appreciation for what they've done for us," she said.

The Super Bowl win, which capped just the ninth winning season in franchise history, was a stunning reversal of fortunes for a team once derided as the "Aints." Few players could appreciate that better than fan favorite Deuce McAllister, the team's retired all-time leading rusher who joined the team on the sidelines for the Super Bowl.

"It's been pretty crazy," he said Tuesday. "Everywhere you go, you can see the pride in the fans."

Fans are grateful for more than just the team's on-field performance. Many members of "Who Dat" nation credit the team with uniting a city that has struggled with racial divisions and labored to rebuild in the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina, which left about 85 percent of the city underwater in August 2005.

"After the hurricane, people were more willing to come back when they realized the Saints were coming back," said Scott Catalanotto, 35, whose 7-year-old son sat on a ladder and yelled for beads.

In the French Quarter, thousands streamed toward the parade route, turning Bourbon Street into a river of black and gold.

Will Kaplan, 28, stood out in a billowing white toga with a gold-colored halo and the word "Breesus" on his back.

What some NFL teams need headed into 2010 draft

MIAMI, Fla. (AP) — The Super Bowl's over, Drew Brees has been cheered at Disney World and the New Orleans Saints are being celebrated in their city.

On to football, 2010.

With free agency set to start March 5, and the draft following in April, here's a quick look at what each regional NFL team has and needs headed into the offseason, along with the Super Bowl participants.

COWBOYS

Needs: Reliable kicker, perhaps another receiver to keep defenses from smothering Miles Austin.

Strengths: Seven-man front on defense, especially OLB DeMarcus Ware and NT Jay Ratliff; trio of quality running backs.

CARDINALS

Needs: Better offensive linemen and outside linebackers; more depth in secondary. Another QB with Kurt Warner retired.

Strengths: WR, even if they trade Anquan Boldin; RB; starting safeties; interior of defensive line; punter.

49ERS

Needs: Upgrading return game; San Francisco was last in average punt return yardage as Niners missed playoffs for seventh straight year. Kurt Schottenheimer was hired as special teams coordinator. Finding out if Alex Smith is right QB.

Strengths: RB with workhorse Frank Gore; inside LB with All-Pro Patrick Willis; possibly receiver if Michael Crabtree develops quickly.

SEAHAWKS

Needs: Linemen who can actually block; pass rushers; playmaking WRs; players who fit new coach Pete Carroll's run game.

Strengths: Linebackers, if middle man Lofa Tatupu can stay healthy; PK Olindo Mare, who could be a free agent; P Jon Ryan.

CHARGERS

Needs: RB with LaDainian Tomlinson unlikely to return; offensive line; nose guard to eventually replace Jamal Williams.

Strengths: QB Philip Rivers, TE Antonio Gates, P Mike Scifres, WR Vincent Jackson, although he's facing suspension if he gets convicted of pending second DUI; LB if Shawne Merriman ends up restricted free agent; PK Nate Kaeding, at least until playoffs.

BRONCOS

Needs: Reinforcements in porous 3-4 defensive alignment; beefier OL as team switches from famed zone blocking scheme to power run game; probably more pass catchers with Brandon Marshall, Tony Scheffler and Brandon Stokley likely not coming back.

Strengths: Secondary even with four starters over 30 because of young safeties Darcel McBath and David Bruton.

RAIDERS

Needs: Decision whether to keep coach Tom Cable; consistent quarterback play; improved offensive line; playmakers on offense.

Strengths: CB Nnamdi Asomugha; kicking game with P Shane Lechler and PK Sebastian Janikowski.

COLTS

Needs: Not much, despite Super Bowl flop. Continued development of OL; another sturdy LB; decision on PKs Vinatieri and Stover.

Strengths: Peyton Manning-led offense, bolstered by young receivers; aggressive and deep secondary; excellent coaching staff.

SAINTS

Needs: Despite winning it all, there are some holes. Better pass rush; speed at OLB; power RB.

Strengths: Everywhere on offense, especially at QB with Drew Brees and at skill positions; safety; MLB Jonathan Vilma; special teams

Money woes start to ease for NASCAR

DAYTONA BEACH, Fla. (AP) — With the NASCAR season revving up at Daytona International Speedway this week, companies still have a chance to associate themselves with the sport's most popular driver, Dale Earnhardt Jr.

And they can do so at the relative bargain-bin prices found in NASCAR's second-tier Nationwide series.

In happier economic times a few years ago, the possibility of such a deal would have triggered a stampede of potential sponsors tradin' paint with briefcases as they raced from the boardroom to the track. But as of this week, the Earnhardt family's JR Motorsports team had sponsorship contracts in hand for only 12 of 35 races for its main No. 88 car; the team has struck separate deals for Danica Patrick to run a part-time schedule in a second car.

Earnhardt Jr.'s sister Kelley, who leads the team's sponsorship search, is frustrated but not surprised at how difficult the process has been.

"When you are knee-deep in it and talking to your sponsors, I am not surprised, if you listen to them talk about what they are up against," she said. "They want the return (on investment). We as a sport, I think we've had some checks and balances of what they are paying for — how much it is to sponsor one of our cars versus the return they get."

Economic woes haven't completely chased corporate America away from NASCAR. There are some signs that interest is picking up after sponsors cut back significantly or left the sport last year.

But in sharp contrast to the go-go mid-2000s, when top teams regularly reeled in eight-figure sponsorship deals, companies now are demanding more for less.

"It's still a fabulous investment, and JR Motorsports gets more attention than a lot of Cup teams do," Kelley Earnhardt said. "But we're having to change the way we approach it."

That means taking a crash course in learning to use social media such as Facebook and Twitter for sponsorship exposure purposes.

"It used to be you could talk about (traditional media) impressions and TV ratings, but now they want actual physical people they can touch," she said. "Now we sit in meetings with potential sponsors and talk about Facebook and Twitter. They ask, 'How many Facebook friends do you have?' They want actual bodies to touch."

NASCAR chief marketing officer Steve Phelps says it's only natural that companies want more for less in today's economic climate. And Phelps sees better things on the horizon.

"Everything was (about) the economy last year," Phelps said. "Now the concentration is clearly on racing. That's where the fans would want it to be. We'd obviously want to see it there. You can't ignore the economic impact of what was happening last year. But it's flipped — if it's not 180 degrees, it's 160 degrees."

It's a sense of guarded optimism Phelps acknowledges the sport "just didn't feel" heading into last season.

Driver Jeff Burton says some drivers, team owners and sponsors panicked in 2009 — with good reason, because nobody knew where the sport's financial free fall might bottom out.

"I think last year, everybody was kind of shell-shocked a little bit," Burton said. "I think now that everybody's had a little time to step back and understand the situation that we're in a little bit better, I don't there's quite the fear that was here."

Automakers General Motors and Chrysler faced urgent questions about their very existence last year and were in no position to increase their financial support of the sport. Racing teams consolidated and contracted. Sponsors cut back or went away. Attrack attendance slipped, as did TV ratings.

"Who knows if this financial correction, or the economy, was the pin that pricked our Internet bubble?" former driver Kyle Petty said. "Maybe we had grown out of control and we didn't know why, and all of a sudden, boom! ... and we've settled where we're at."

Pac-10 considers possible expansion for next year

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — Pac-10 commissioner Larry Scott said Tuesday that the window for expansion by the conference is open for the next year as the conference begins negotiations for a new television deal.

Speaking on a conference call to introduce former Big 12 commissioner Kevin Weiberg as his new deputy, Scott talked about possibly adding new teams to the conference and launching a new television network.

Scott, the former head of the Women's Tennis Association, took over the conference last July. In his less than eight months on the job, he has seen growing interest from the membership over the possibility of adding teams for the first time since Arizona and Arizona State joined the conference in 1978.

"It is really over the next six to 12 months that we'll start having serious analysis and serious evaluations," Scott said.

While there has been major upheaval in conference alignments in recent years, the Pac-10 has remained stable for more than three decades. But with a new commissioner and television deals that expire following the 2011-12 academic year, the time is ripe for a fresh look at the issue.

Hailey native excited for opening ceremony

By Karen Bossick
Times-News correspondent

Hailey native Graham Watanabe is headed to his third Olympics. But it'll be the first one in which he's earned the right to walk with his fellow Americans in the opening Ceremonies — and sport his mug as an Olympian on McDonald's cups.

The 27-year-old Hailey native was forerunner for alpine snowboard at the 2002 Winter Olympics in Salt Lake City. He also traveled to the 2006 Games in Torino, Italy, as a wax technician but got to compete when a member of the team injured a knee during training.

Watanabe crashed in an elimination round and finished 31st.

"I'm approaching this year totally different," he said. "This time I really feel like I belong there."

Watanabe switched to snowboard cross from alpine snowboard racing just before the Torino Olympics. He's improved his skills and results in the past four years, winning his first World Cup last February at Sunday River Resort in Maine.

His 5-foot-6, 150-pound stature puts him at a disadvantage, said Watanabe's father, Scott Watanabe.

"He's the smallest guy on the World Cup circuit. "If he hits flat sections, it's hard for him to carry his momentum."

But Watanabe is having the ride of his life, nevertheless.

"He appreciates not only where he is and his life," said Scott Watanabe. "And he can't express how appreciative he is of the support—not just from Sun Valley but all of Southern Idaho."

SIMI HAMILTON

At 22, Simi Hamilton is one of America's fastest sprinters. He won four qualifiers in the USSA Super Tour, Canadian NorAm and U.S. Championship events and took the U.S. title in the freestyle sprint.

He led sprint qualifying in the Under 23 World Championships in Germany last week.

"He just blossomed last year," said Sun Valley Ski Education Foundation coach Rick Kapala.

HAILEY DUKE

Alpine skier Hailey Duke learned to ski at age 2 in Sun Valley where her parents — Larry and Jane — were ski instructors. At 4, she made her race debut on Dollar Mountain in the annual Kindercup, which is a rite of passage for most Wood River Valley children.

She didn't exactly sail to a first-place finish — she had to repeat the race after she skipped the finish line to go hit her favorite jump.

JUDY BLUMBERG

Sun Valley figure skating coach Judy Blumberg has been working with U.S. Figure Skating pairs champions Caydee Denny and Jeremy Barrett and silver medalists Amanda Evora and Mark Ladwig as they prepare for the Olympics.

Blumberg is a two-time Olympian in ice dancing.

Arritola

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"She came out when she was 16, which was really weird — people just don't try out for our sport at 16. But, from the minute she joined our program, she brought a drive that's uncommon," said Sun Valley Ski Education Foundation coach Rick Kapala.

Morgan's mother, Donnale Brown, said her daughter has always had that drive.

"When she was 5 I found her running back and forth across the kitchen floor dipping down. She said: 'I'm training for the Easter egg hunt. I'm going to get the most Easter eggs,'" recalled Brown.

Arritola marched into Kapala's office following the 2006 Olympics at Torino, Italy, and said: "2010: I'm going to be there."

"With Morgan the challenge has been to get her to back off so her body can recharge," Kapala said. "When she was a junior skier we found out that she was running home six miles after training. She loves pushing herself."

Arritola's strength is long distance — the longer the better, said her U.S. Ski Team coach Chris Grover. She also likes going up hills since her petite size makes it harder for her to maintain momentum on the flats.

"The hardest part is staying focused mentally and believing in myself — especially when I'm training real hard and the race results don't show it," she said.

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Sealed proposals will be received by the IDAHO TRANSPORTATION BOARD only at the office of the IDAHO TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT, 3311 WEST STATE STREET, BOISE, IDAHO 83703, ATTN: ROADWAY DESIGN until two o'clock p.m., on **March 2, 2010**, for the work of reconstructing N. Overland Ave. from 2nd Ave. to the I-84 ramps including, sidewalks, curb & gutter, storm drains, sanitary sewer, medians, widening, 3 traffic signals, and illumination; I-84B, North Overland, Burley, known as Idaho Federal Aid Project No. STP-7592(103), in Minidoka County, Key No. 08903.

[ADDITIONAL INFORMATION CONTACT: RESIDENT ENGINEER *****KIMBOL ALLEN*** AT (208) 544-7901.]**

Plans, specifications, form of contract, proposal forms, and other information may be obtained at the office of the Idaho Transportation Department, Boise, Idaho, and are on file for examination at the office of the District Engineer at Shoshone Idaho.

A non-refundable handling and mailing charge of FIVE DOLLARS ($5.00) plus applicable sales tax will be made for bid documents. Phone orders to (800) 732-2098 (in Idaho) or (208) 334-8430 shall be made by credit card (Visa or Mastercard). Written requests shall be made by check or money order to the Idaho Transportation Department, Attn: Revenue Operations, P. O. Box 34, Boise, ID 83731-0034.

Dated February 1, 2010
TOM COLE, P.E.
Chief Engineer

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

30213462 Loan No. 0060036191 T.S. No. 057-010204 On 6/9/2010, at 11:00 a.m. (recognized local time), at the following location in the County of Cassia, State of Idaho: Lobby of Land Title & Escrow 211 W 13th St Burley, ID 83318 , TRANSNATION TITLE & ESCROW, INC., A DELAWARE CORPORATION, as Trustee on behalf of UTLS Default Services, LLC will sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, for cash, in lawful money of the United States, all payable at the time of sale, the following real property, situated in the County of Cassia State of Idaho, and described as follows: LOT 14 AND THE SOUTH HALF OF LOT 15 IN BLOCK 3 OF HOMELAND ADDITION TO THE CITY OF BURLEY, CASSIA COUNTY, IDAHO, AS THE SAME IS PLATTED IN THE OFFICIAL PLAT THEREOF, NOW OF RECORD IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY RECORDER OF SAID COUNTY. The Trustee has no knowledge of a more particular description of the above referenced real property, but for purposes of compliance with Section 60-113 Idaho Code, the Trustee has been informed that the address of **1910 MILLER AVENUE, BURLEY, ID 83318** is sometimes associated with said real property. Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty regarding title, possession or encumbrances to satisfy the obligation secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the Deed of Trust executed by **WILLIAM H. PAYNE AND SUSAN R. PAYNE,** HUSBAND AND WIFE as Grantor/Trustor, in which MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC., is named as Beneficiary and LAND TITLE AND ESCROW as Trustee and recorded 2/16/2007 as Instrument No. 313976 in book , page of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of Cassia County, Idaho. Please Note: The above Grantors are named to comply with section 45-1506(4)(A), Idaho Code, No representation is made that they are, or are not, presently responsible for this obligation set forth herein. The Default for which this sale is to be made is the failure to pay when due, under Deed of Trust and Note dated 2/8/2007. The monthly installments of principal, interest, and impounds (if applicable) of $1,117.89, due per month for the months of 4/1/2009 through 1/25/2010, and all subsequent installments until the date of sale or reinstatement. The principal balance owing as of this date on the obligation secured by said Deed of Trust is $132,312.86 together with interest thereon at the current rate of 6.87500 per cent (%) per annum from 3/1/2009. All delinquent amounts are now due, together with accruing late charges, and interest, unpaid and accruing taxes, assessments, trustee's fees, attorney's fees, and any amounts advanced to protect the security associated with this foreclosure and that the beneficiary elects to sell or cause the trust property to be sold to satisfy said obligation, If the Trustee is unable to convey title for any reason, the successful bidder's sole and exclusive remedy shall be the return of monies paid to the Trustee, and the successful bidder shall have no further recourse. Date: 1/26/10 TRANSNATION TITLE & ESCROW, INC., A DELAWARE CORPORATION By: Lynn Darling, AVP THIS IS AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. ASAP# 3428524

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NOTICE OF SPECIAL SUPPLEMENTAL LEVY ELECTION

Pursuant to the laws of the State of Idaho and the Levy Election Resolution of the Board of Trustees of Joint School District No. 331, Minidoka, Cassia, Jerome and Lincoln Counties, Idaho, adopted on January 18, 2010, notice is hereby given that a Special Supplemental Levy Election will be held in the District on March 9, 2010, beginning at the hour of 8:00 a.m. and closing at the hour of 8:00 p.m. on said date, for the purpose of taking a vote upon the following question, to wit:

QUESTION: Shall the Board of Trustees of Joint School District No. 331, Minidoka, Cassia, Jerome and Lincoln Counties, Idaho be authorized and empowered to levy a Supplemental Levy in the amount of One Million Two Hundred Thousand and no/100 Dollars ($1,200,000) per year for two (2) years, commencing with the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2010 and ending June 30, 2012, for the purpose of financing all lawful expenses of maintaining and operating the schools and facilities of the District; all as provided in the Resolution adopted by the Board of Trustees on January 18, 2010?

Said election shall be held at the following polling places:

Minidoka County:
Acequia Elementary School, 360 N 350 E, Acequia, ID
Rupert Elementary School, 202 18th Street, Rupert, ID
Heyburn Elementary School, 1151 7th St., Heyburn, ID
Paul Elementary School, 201 North 1st Street West, Paul, ID
East Minico Middle School, 1805 H Street, Rupert, ID
West Minico Middle School, 600 West 155 South, Paul, ID
Minico High School, 292 West 100 South, Rupert, ID
Mt. Harrison Jr/Sr High School, 310 10th Street, Rupert, ID

Jerome County: John & Mary Lou Ottman Residence, 1071 S. 2900 E., Hazelton, Idaho

Cassia County: Lola Nelson Residence, 720 N. 1150 E., Jackson, ID

Lincoln County: Clint & Vivian Harper Residence, 1340 N. 450 W., Paul, ID

Absentee Address: Joint School District No. 331, 633 Fremont Avenue, Rupert, Idaho 83350

Notice is further given that only qualified electors of the District, eighteen (18) years of age or older, who have resided in the District for thirty (30) days preceding the Levy Election, who are registered or who register at the polls on the day of the Levy Election, as provided by law, are entitled to vote at said election.

Any registered elector of the District may make written application to the Clerk of the District in accordance with law for an absentee ballot, provided that an absentee ballot must be received by the Clerk at the above Absentee Address not later than 8:00 p.m. on the day of the election in order to be counted.

If at said Special Supplemental Levy Election a simple majority of the qualified registered electors eighteen (18) years of age or older voting at such election assent to the Supplemental Levy for the purpose of financing all lawful expenses of maintaining and operating the schools and facilities of the District, such levy shall be certified by the Board of Trustees of the District and shall become effective, as provided by the Idaho Code.

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COLLEGE OF SOUTHERN IDAHO – HEADSTART
INVITATION TO BID
Type C – Conventional School Bus

The College of Southern Idaho South Central Head Start is accepting bids to buy a Type C Conventional School Bus. Bids will be accepted until 2:00 p.m. Wednesday, February 24, 2010, in the office of the Dean of Finance in the Taylor Administration Building, 315 Falls Avenue, Twin Falls, Idaho and then publicly opened.

Bids must be sent or delivered to the above address on or before the above listed date and time to be accepted. The outside of the envelope should clearly indicate "SEALED BID ENCLOSED".

For complete bid specifications, procedures, bid forms and additional information contact Jay Thurber at (208) 886-7784.

The College reserves the right to inspect the vehicle to assure quality and condition, reject any or all bids, waive any formalities and accept the bid deemed to be in the best interest of the College.

Jeffrey M. Harmon
Dean of Finance

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

Idaho Code 45-1506 Today's date: February 1, 2010 File No.: 7777.10382 Sale date and time (local time): June 02, 2010 at 11:00 AM Sale location: outside the main entrance of the Minidoka County Courthouse, 711 'G' Street Rupert, ID 83350 Property address: **76 West 600 North Rupert, ID 83350** Successor Trustee: Northwest Trustee Services, Inc., an Idaho Corporation P.O. Box 997 Bellevue, WA 98009 (425) 586-1900 Deed of Trust information Original grantor: **George Gallegos and Karen Gallegos,** husband and wife Original trustee: First American Title Insurance Co. Original beneficiary: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. solely as nominee for BNC Mortgage, Inc. Recording date: March 24, 2006 Recorder's instrument number: 483559 County: Minidoka Sum owing on the obligation: as of February 1, 2010: $116,485.57 Because of interest, late charges, and other charges that may vary from day to day, the amount due on the day you pay may be greater. Hence, if you pay the amount shown above, an adjustment may be necessary after we receive your check. For further information write or call the Successor Trustee at the address or telephone number provided above. Basis of default: failure to make payments when due. Please take notice that the Successor Trustee will sell at public auction to the highest bidder for certified funds or equivalent the property described above. The property address is identified to comply with IC 60-113 but is not warranted to be correct. The property's legal description is: Township 8 South, Range 24 East, Boise Meridian, Minidoka County, Idaho Section 29: A part of the NW1/4, more particularly described as follows: Beginning at the Northwest section corner of Section 29, which is marked with an existing U.S. Government brass survey monument (date 1918); thence South 88 degrees 57' 30" East (basis of beanings) 2634.40 feet to an in-place U.S. Government brass survey marker (date 1918) which marks the North quarter corner of said Section 29; thence South 22 degrees 45' 39" West 966.82 feet to an in-place U.S. Government brass survey marker (date 1954) which marks corner No. 11 of Farm Unit Tract E; thence South 82 degrees 06' 33" West 544.59 feet to a set 1/2 inch diameter iron pin which marks the Point of Beginning and is referred by a set 1/2 inch diameter iron pin which bears North 0 degrees 59' 17" East 30.36 feet; thence North 0 degrees 59' 17" East 301.87 feet to a set 1/2 inch diameter iron pin; thence North 84 degrees 53' 20" West 408.61 feet to a set 1/2 inch diameter iron pin; thence South 3 degrees 47' 19" East 215.85 feet to a set 1/2 inch diameter iron pin referenced by a set 1/2 inch diameter iron pin which bears North 3 degrees 47' 19" West 34.53 feet; thence South 64 degrees 07' 16" East 314.63 feet to a set 5/8 inch diameter iron pin which marks corner No. 10 of Farm Unit Tract E; thence North 82 degrees 06' 33" East 105.44 feet to the Point of Beginning. The sale is subject to conditions, rules and procedures as described at the sale and which can be reviewed at www.northwesttrustee.com or USA-Foreclosure.com. The sale is made without representation, warranty or covenant of any kind. (TS# 7777.10382) 1002.129324-FEI

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NOTICIA DE ELECCION ESPECIAL
PARA RECAUDACION GENERAL

Conforme a las leyes del estado de Idaho y de la resolución en enlace de la elección por la mesa directiva del distrito común No. 331 Escolar, condados Minidoka, Cassia, Jerome, y Lincoln de Idaho, adoptado el día 18 de Enero, 2010, se da el aviso por este medio que una elección especial del enlace de obligación general se llevara a cabo en el distrito el martes, 9 de Marzo del 2010, comenzado a las 8:00 a.m. y terminándose en la hora de 8:00 p.m. En ese día, con el fin de tomar un voto sobre la siguiente pregunta:

PREGUNTA: Debería la Mesa Directiva del Distrito Escolar No. 331, de los Condados Minidoka, Cassia, Jerome y Lincoln, Idaho, ser autorizada y apoderados para hacer recaudación suplemental en la cantidad de un Millón Dos Cientos Mil y no/100 Dólares ($1,200,000) por año por dos (2) años, comenzando al empiezo del año fiscal que es el 1° de Julio, 2010 y terminándose el 30 de Junio, 2012, para el propósito de financiar todos gastos legítimos debidos al mantenimiento y operación de las escuelas y facilidades del Distrito; y así como proveído en la Resolución adoptada por la Mesa Directiva el día 18 de Enero, 2010.

Elección Dicha se llevara a cabo en los siguientes lugares de voto:

Condado de Minidoka
Acequia Elemental, 360 N 350 E, Acequia, Idaho 83350
Rupert Elemental, 202 18th St., Rupert, Idaho 83350
Heyburn Elemental, 1151 7th St., Heyburn, Id 83336
Paul Elemental, 201 North 1st Street West, Paul, Idaho 83347
East Minico Secundaria, 1805 H Street, Rupert, Idaho 83350
West Minico Secundaria, 155 S 600 W, Paul, Idaho 83347
Minico Preparatoria, 292 W 100 S, Rupert, Idaho 83350
Mt. Harrison, 310 10th Street, Rupert, Idaho 83350

Jerome County: John & Mary Lou Ottman Residencia, 1071 S. 2900 E., Hazelton, Idaho

Cassia County: Lola Nelson Residencia, 720 Norte 1150 E., Jackson, Idaho

Lincoln County: Clint & Vivian Harper Residencia, 451 Oeste Hwy 24, Paul, Idaho 83347

Dirección de Ausencia: Distrito de Minidoka No. 331, 633 Fremont Ave., Rupert, Idaho 83350

Además se avisa que solamente esos electores calificados del distrito siendo mayores de 18 años de edad (18), quien han tenido residencia en el distrito por los treinta (30) días antes de la elección, que se han registrado o que se registraran en el lugar de votar en el día de la elección, conforme la ley, tienen derecho a votar.

Cualquier elector registrado del distrito puede hacer una solicitud con la secretaria del distrito conforme las leyes para hacer un Voto en Ausencia, proveído que el Voto en Ausencia sea recibido por la Secretaria a la dirección de arriba marcada Votos en Ausencia no más tarde que a las 8:00 p.m. el día de elección para que pueda ser contada.

Si en dicha Elección para la Recaudación Suplemental una mayoría simple de calificados electores registrados teniendo o siendo mayores de diez y ocho (18) anos de edad dan su aprobación para la Recaudación Suplemental para el caso de financiar todos gastos legítimos debidos al mantenimiento y operación de las escuelas y facilidades del Distrito, tal recaudación será certificada por la Mesa Directiva del Distrito y será efectiva así como es proveído en el Código de Idaho.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Actions planned and taken by your government are contained in public notices. They are part of your right to know and to be informed of what your government is doing. As self-government charges all citizens to be informed, this newspaper urges every citizen to read and study these notices. We advise those citizens who seek further information to exercise their right to access public records and public meetings.

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

Idaho Code 45-1506 Today's date: January 12, 2010 File No.: 7777.11797 Sale date and time (local time): May 14, 2010 at 11:00 AM Sale location: outside the main entrance of the Minidoka County Courthouse, 711 'G' Street Rupert, ID 83350 Property address: **810 2nd Street Rupert, ID 83350** Successor Trustee: Northwest Trustee Services, Inc., an Idaho Corporation P.O. Box 997 Bellevue, WA 98009 (425) 586-1900 Deed of Trust information Original grantor: **Betty L. Moncur** a widow Original trustee: First American Title Original beneficiary: Wells Fargo Financial Idaho, Inc. Recording date: April 16, 2007 Recorder's instrument number: 490352 County: Minidoka Sum owing on the obligation: as of January 12, 2010: $37,459.13 Because of interest, late charges, and other charges that may vary from day to day, the amount due on the day you pay may be greater. Hence, if you pay the amount shown above, an adjustment may be necessary after we receive your check. For further information write or call the Successor Trustee at the address or telephone number provided above. Basis of default: failure to make payments when due. Please take notice that the Successor Trustee will sell at public auction to the highest bidder for certified funds or equivalent the property described above. The property address is identified to comply with IC 60-113 but is not warranted to be correct. The property's legal description is: The East one (1) foot of Lot 9 and all of Lot 10 in Block 77 of the original Townsite of Rupert, Minidoka County, Idaho, according to the official plat thereof, now on file in the office of the county recorder, Minidoka County, Idaho. The sale is subject to conditions, rules and procedures as described at the sale and which can be reviewed at www.northwesttrustee.com or USA-Foreclosure.com. The sale is made without representation, warranty or covenant of any kind. (TS# 7777.11797) 1002.143499-FEI

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

Idaho Code 45-1506 Today's date: January 8, 2010 File No.: 7261.27522 Sale date and time (local time): May 10, 2010 at 11:00 AM Sale location: outside the main entrance of the Minidoka County Courthouse, 711 'G' Street Rupert, ID 83350 Property address: **910 N. 600 West Paul, ID 83347** Successor Trustee: Northwest Trustee Services, Inc., an Idaho Corporation P.O. Box 997 Bellevue, WA 98009 (425) 586-1900 Deed of Trust information Original grantor: **Richard A. Kinsey and Jane M. Kinsey,** husband and wife Original trustee: LSI, a Fidelity National Financial Company Original beneficiary: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. solely as nominee for Quicken Loans, Inc. Recording date: January 23, 2006 Recorder's instrument number: 482408 County: Minidoka Sum owing on the obligation: as of January 8, 2010: $149,139.42 Because of interest, late charges, and other charges that may vary from day to day, the amount due on the day you pay may be greater. Hence, if you pay the amount shown above, an adjustment may be necessary after we receive your check. For further information write or call the Successor Trustee at the address or telephone number provided above. Basis of default: failure to make payments when due. Please take notice that the Successor Trustee will sell at public auction to the highest bidder for certified funds or equivalent the property described above. The property address is identified to comply with IC 60-113 but is not warranted to be correct. The property's legal description is: Parcel No. 1: Township 8 South, Range 23 East of the Boise Meridian, Minidoka County, Idaho, Section 4: That part of Tract E, Farm Unit E, lying in said Section 4, of the North Side Pumping Division of the Minidoka Project, Idaho (as shown by plat, dated May 4, 1956, on file in the office of the County Recorder, Minidoka County, Idaho,) described as follows: Beginning at the Southwest corner of said Section 4, which point shall be known as the True Point of Beginning; thence North 00 degrees 09' East along the West section line of said Section 4 for 880.67 feet; thence South 89 degrees 51' East for 150.00 feet; thence South 89 degrees 50'57" East 318.68 feet; thence South 00 degrees 09' West for 243.66 feet; thence South 26 degrees 43'39" East for 248.65 feet to the centerline of an irrigation lateral; thence South 50 degrees 40'51" West along said lateral centerline for 652.93 feet; thence North 89 degrees 58'30" West for 77.05 feet to the True Point of Beginning. Save and Except the following described tract: Beginning at the Southwest corner of said Section 4, said corner marked by a 5/8 inch rebar; thence South 89 degrees 58'30" East for 77.05 feet to a 1/2 inch rebar; thence North 50 degrees 40'51" East along the centerline of an irrigation lateral for 652.93 feet to a 1/2 inch rebar which shall be the Point of Beginning; thence North 89 degrees 15'03" West for 346.61 feet to a 1/2 inch rebar; thence North 7 degrees 33'03" East for 220.00 feet to a 1/2 inch rebar; thence South 89 degrees 50'57" East for 205.79 feet to a 1/2 inch rebar; thence South 26 degrees 43'39" East for 248.65 feet to the Point of Beginning. Parcel No. 2: Township 8 South, Range 23 East of the Boise Meridian, Minidoka County, Idaho, Section 4: That part of Tract E, Farm Unit E, lying in said Section 4, of the North Side Pumping Division of the Minidoka Project, Idaho (as shown by plat, dated May 4, 1956, on file in the office of the County Recorder, Minidoka County, Idaho) described as follows: Beginning at the Southwest corner of said Section 4, said corner marked by a 5/8 inch rebar; thence South 89 degrees 58'30" East for 77.05 feet to a 1/2 inch rebar; thence North 50 degrees 40'51" East along the centerline of an irrigation lateral for 652.93 feet to a 1/2 inch rebar which shall be the Point of Beginning; thence North 89 degrees 15'03" West for 346.61 feet to a 1/2 inch rebar; thence North 7 degrees 33'03" East for 220.00 feet to a 1/2 inch rebar; thence South 89 degrees 50'57" East for 205.79 feet to a 1/2 inch rebar; thence South 26 degrees 43'39" East for 248.65 feet to the Point of Beginning. Parcel No. 3: A 25 foot wide access easement for the benefit of Parcel No. 2, as disclosed by Warranty Deed dated February 23, 1988 and recorded February 23, 1988, as Document No. 77505, records of Minidoka County, Idaho, more particularly described as follows: Beginning at the Southwest corner of said Section 4, said corner marked by a 5/8 inch rebar; thence North 0 degrees 09'00" East along section line for 471.11 feet to the Point of Beginning; thence North 0 degrees 09'00" East along section line for 25.01 feet to a point; thence North 88 degrees 22'11" East for 165.48 feet to a point; thence South 89 degrees 26'50" East for 79.74 feet to a point; thence South 7 degrees 33'03" West for 82.55 feet to a 1/2 inch rebar; thence North 89 degrees 15'03" West for 25.18 feet to a point; thence North 7 degrees 33'03" East for 57.28 feet to a point; thence North 89 degrees 26'50" West for 51.00 feet to a point; thence South 88 degrees 22'11" West for 165.78 feet to the Point of Beginning. The sale is subject to conditions, rules and procedures as described at the sale and which can be reviewed at www.northwesttrustee.com or USA-Foreclosure.com. The sale is made without representation, warranty or covenant of any kind. (TS# 7261.27522) 1002.142462-FEI

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NOTICES NOTICES

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

Separate sealed bids for the purchase of three extended cab pickup trucks will be received by the City of Burley at City Hall at 1401 Overland Avenue, P.O. Box 1090, Burley, Idaho 83318, until **2:00 p.m.** local time on **Friday, February 26, 2010,** and then at said office publicly opened and read aloud.

The vehicle minimum specifications may be examined at or obtained from the City of Burley Water Department, 1559 Albion Avenue, Burley Idaho.

The City of Burley reserves the right to reject any or all proposals, waive any nonmaterial irregularities in the bids received, and to accept the proposal deemed most advantageous to the best interest of the City of Burley.

City of Burley, Idaho
Terry Greenman, Mayor

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

T.S. No. ID-09-330049-TD On 5/24/10, at 11:00:00 AM (recognized local time), at the following location in the County of TWIN FALLS, State of Idaho: In the lobby of Land Title & Escrow, 1411 Fillmore Street, Suite 600 Twin Falls, ID 83301, Pioneer Lender Trustee Services, LLC an Idaho limited liability company, as Trustee by Quality Loan Services, as Attorney in Fact, as Trustee on behalf of Ocwen Loan Servicing, LLC will sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, for cash, in lawful money of the United States, all payable at the time of sale, the following real property, situated in the County of TWIN FALLS State of Idaho, and described as follows: TOWNSHIP 10 SOUTH, RANGE 17 EAST OF THE BOISE MERIDIAN, TWIN FALLS COUNTY, IDAHO Section 13: A parcel of land located in a portion of the N1/2N1/2NW1/4 and a portion of Tract A, Walden 2nd Subdivision, being more particularly described as follows: Commencing at the Northwest corner of Section 13; said point lies South 89°48'43 " West 2664.93 feet from the North quarter corner of Section 13; Thence North 89°48'43" East 1043.60 feet along the North boundary of Section 13; Thence South 00°07'24" West 40.00 feet to the Northwest corner of Tract A, "Walden 2nd Subdivision"; and being the REAL POINT OF BEGINNING; Thence North 89°48'43" East 636.57 feet along the Southerly right of way boundary of Highway Project S-2741 (1); Thence along the Westerly boundary of that parcel of land shown on survey Instrument No. 2003-011497 as follows: South 00°11'20" West 172.43 feet; South 70°02'16" West 72.56 feet; South 53°40'11" West 31.26 feet; South 33°44'05" East 48.16 feet; South 09°41'00" East 112.02 feet; South 14°46'24" East 144.78 feet; South 01°44'32" West 115.21 feet to a point on the Southerly boundary of N1/2NE1/4NW1/4 of Section 13; Thence South 89°48'50" West 335.76 feet to the Southwest corner of N1/2NE1/4NW1/4 of Section 13; Thence South 89°48'50" West 287.20 feet along the South boundary of N1/2NW1/4NW1/4, Section 13 to the Southwest corner of Tract A, "Walden 2nd Subdivision;" Thence North 00°07'24" East 621.29 feet along the Westerly boundary of said Tract A to the REAL POINT OF BEGINNING. EXCEPTING THEREFROM the following described parcel: TOWNSHIP 10 SOUTH, RANGE 17 EAST OF THE BOISE MERIDIAN, TWIN FALLS COUNTY, IDAHO Section 13: All that portion lying on the West boundary of the above described parcel known as Waldens 2nd Subdivision Tract "A" ALSO EXCEPTING THEREFROM: TOWNSHIP 10 SOUTH, RANGE 17 EAST OF THE BOISE MERIDIAN, TWIN FALLS COUNTY, IDAHO Section 13: A parcel of land located in a portion of the N1/2NE1/4NW1/4, being more particularly described as follows: Commencing at the North Quarter corner of Section 13. Said point lies North 89°48'43" East 2664.93 feet from the Northwest corner of Section 13; Thence South 89°48'43" West 864.24 feet along the North boundary of Section 13; Thence South 00°19'49" West 40.00 feet to a point on the Southerly right-of-way boundary of Highway Project S-2741 (1); Thence South 89°48'44" West 120.33 feet along said right of way to the REAL POINT OF BEGINNING; Thence South 00°11'20" West 172.43 feet; Thence South 70°02'16" West 72.56 feet; Thence South 53°40'11" West 31.26 feet; Thence North 00°11'20" East 215.42 feet to a point on the Southerly right-of-way boundary of Highway Project S-2741 (1); Thence North 89°48'43" East 93.24 feet along said Right of way to the REAL POINT OF BEGINING. ALSO EXCEPTING THEREFROM: TOWNSHIP 10 SOUTH, RANGE 17 EAST OF THE BOISE MERIDIAN, TWIN FALLS COUNTY, IDAHO Section 13: A parcel of land located in a portion of the N1/2NE1/4NW1/4 being more particularly described as follows: Commencing at the North Quarter corner of Section 13. Said point lies North 89°48'43" East 2664.93 feet from the Northwest corner of Section 13; Thence South 89°48'43" West 864.24 feet along the North boundary of Section 13; Thence South 00°19'49" West 40.00 feet to a point on the Southerly right-of-way boundary of Highway Project S-2741 (1); Thence South 89°48'44" West 120.33 feet along the said right of way to the REAL POINT OF BEGINNING; Thence South 00° 11'20" West 172.43 feet; Thence South 70°02'16" West 72.56 feet; Thence South 53°40'11" West 31.26 feet; Thence North 00°11'20" East 215.42 feet to a point on the Southerly right-of-way boundary of Highway Project S-2741 (1); Thence North 89°48'43" East 93.24 feet along said right-of-way to the REAL POINT OF BEGINNING. The Trustee has no knowledge of a more particular description of the above referenced real property, but for purposes of compliance with Section 60-113 Idaho Code, the Trustee has been informed that the address of **3186 ADDISON AVE. E , Twin Falls, ID 83301** is sometimes associated with said real property. Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty regarding title, possession or encumbrances to satisfy the obligation secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the Deed of Trust executed by **BEVERLY CALDWELL AND MARVIN CALDWELL** , WIFE AND HUSBAND as Grantor/Trustor, in which MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC., AS NOMINEE FOR TAYLOR, BEAN & WHITAKER MORTGAGE CORP., is named as Beneficiary and TICOR TITLE as Trustee and recorded 12/17/2008 as Instrument No. 2008-026445 in book --, page -- of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of TWIN FALLS County, Idaho. Please Note: The above Grantors are named to comply with section 45-1506(4)(A), Idaho Code, No representation is made that they are, or are not, presently responsible for this obligation set forth herein. The Default for which this sale is to be made is the failure to pay when due, under Deed of Trust and Note dated 12/10/2008. The monthly installments of principal, interest, and impounds (if applicable) of $911.60, due per month for the months of 7/1/2009 through 1/7/2010, and all subsequent installments until the date of sale or reinstatement. The principal balance owing as of this date on the obligation secured by said Deed of Trust is $198,895.36 together with interest thereon at the current rate of 5.5000 per cent (%) per annum from 6/1/2009. All delinquent amounts are now due, together with accruing late charges, and interest, unpaid and accruing taxes, assessments, trustee's fees, attorney's fees, and any amounts advanced to protect the security associated with this foreclosure and that the beneficiary elects to sell or cause the trust property to be sold to satisfy said obligation. If the Trustee is unable to convey title for any reason, the successful bidder's sole and exclusive remedy shall be the return of monies paid to the Trustee, and the successful bidder shall have no further recourse. If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the deposit paid. The Purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagor, the Mortgagee, or the Mortgagee's Attorney. Date: 1/15/2010 By: Pioneer Lender Trustee Services, LLC an Idaho limited liability company, as Trustee by Quality Loan Services, as Attorney in Fact, as Trustee Quality Loan Service Corp. of Washington, as Agent 2141 5th Avenue San Diego, CA 92101 Tara Donzella, Assistant Vice President ***For Sale Information Call: 714-730-2727 or Login to: www.fidelityasap.com If you have previously been discharged through bankruptcy, you may have been released of personal liability for this loan in which case this letter is intended to exercise the note holder's rights against the real property only. THIS IS AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. As required by law, you are hereby notified that a negative credit report reflecting on your credit record may be submitted to a credit report agency if you fail to fulfill the terms of your credit obligations. ASAP# 3422066

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NOTICES NOTICES

LANDS FOR LEASE

BIA ACCEPTING BIDS FOR FARM/PASTURE LEASES

The Bureau of Indian Affairs is now accepting sealed bids until NOON on March 4, 2010 on various Farm/Pasture leases on the Fort Hall Reservation. Bid forms and additional information can be obtained by contacting the Bureau of Indian Affairs at (208) 238-2305 or 238-2307.

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NOTICE OF SALE

On the 21st day of May, 2010, at the hour of 10:00 o'clock A.M. on said date at the office of Land Title & Escrow, Inc., located at 1411 Fillmore Street, Suite 600, Twin Falls, Idaho, Land Title & Escrow, Inc., as Trustee will sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash in lawful money of the United States of America, payable in full at the time of the sale, the following described real property, located in the County of Twin Falls, State of Idaho, more particularly described as follows:

EXHIBIT "A"

PARCEL 1

Lot 1 in Block 2 of Old Farm Subdivision No. 1, according to the official plat thereof, filed in Book 19 of Plats at Page(s) 15, Official Records of Twin Falls County, Idaho.

PARCEL 2

Township 9 South, Range 14 East, Boise Meridian, Twin Falls County, Idaho

Section 25: A parcel of land located in a portion of E½NE¼SW¼ being more particularly described as follows:

COMMENCING at the Southeast corner of E½NE¼SW¼;

THENCE South 89°25'42" West 110.60 feet along the South boundary of said E½NE¼SW¼, to the REAL POINT OF BEGINNING.

THENCE South 89°25'42" West 94.00 along the South boundary of said E½NE¼SW¼;

THENCE North 00°21'23" West 246.95 feet to the center of an existing irrigation ditch;

THENCE South 72°36'46" East 98.69 feet along the center of said ditch;

THENCE South 00°21'23" East 216.52 feet to the REAL POINT OF BEGINNING.

PARCEL 3

Township 9 South, Range 14 East, Boise Meridian, Twin Falls County, Idaho

Section 25: A parcel of land located in a portion of E½NE¼SW¼ being more particularly described as follows:

COMMENCING at the Southeast corner of E½NE¼SW¼ and being the REAL POINT OF BEGINNING;

THENCE South 89°25'42" West 110.60 feet along the South boundary of the said E½NE¼SW¼;

THENCE North 00°21'23" West 216.52 feet to the center of and existing irrigation ditch;

THENCE South 72°36'46" East 27.42 feet along the center of said ditch;

THENCE South 68°37'13" East 59.52 feet along the center of said ditch;

THENCE South 80°58'19" East 29.59 feet along the center of said ditch to a point on the East boundary of E½NE¼SW¼;

THENCE South 00°21'23" East 180.88 feet along the East boundary of said E½NE¼SW¼ to the REAL POINT OF BEGINNING.

The street address or the designation commonly used for the property is **606 Barness Ave., Buhl, Idaho 83316; NKA, Buhl, Idaho 83316; and 1448 East 4225 North, Buhl, Idaho 83316.** The name, address and telephone number of the person or firm from whom information may be obtained is Bruce Hunsaker, P.O. Box 1188, Burley, Idaho 83318, (208) 678-2552.

The sale will be made without covenant or warranty regarding the title, possession or encumbrances to satisfy the obligations secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the Deed of Trust executed by **Earl Gray and Eileen Gray,** husband and wife, as Grantors, to Alliance Title Company as Trustee, and D.L. Evans Bank as Beneficiary, dated December 9, 2008, and recorded on the 9th day of December, 2008 as Instrument No. 2008-026003, in the office of the County Recorder for Twin Falls County, Idaho.

The default for which said sale is to be made is the failure to pay all principle and accrued interest due on the maturity date of December 9, 2009.

The balance owing as of this date on the obligations secured by the Deed of Trust is $50,914.44, together with accruing interest, and costs of sale.

DATED this 15th day of January, 2010.
LAND TITLE & ESCROW, INC.
Larry Roberts
Title: President

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

Trustee's Sale No. 02-FHF-87987 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, PIONEER LENDER TRUSTEE SERVICES, LLC, the duly appointed Successor Trustee, will on May 11, 2010, at the hour of 01:00 PM, of said day, FRONT STEPS OF THE TWIN FALLS COUNTY COURTHOUSE, 425 SHOSHONE STREET NORTH, TWIN FALLS, ID, sell at public auction to the highest bidder, for cash, in lawful money of the United States, all payable at the time of sale, the following described real and personal property (hereafter referred to collectively as the "Property"), situated in the County of TWIN FALLS, State of Idaho, to-wit: LOT 10 IN BLOCK 6 OF FIRST AMENDED WOODLAND HILLS SUBDIVISION, TWIN FALLS COUNTY, IDAHO, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF, RECORDED IN BOOK 18 OF PLATS, PAGE 11, IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY RECORDER OF SAID COUNTY. The Trustee has no knowledge of a more particular description of the above-referenced Property but, for purposes of compliance with Section 60-113 of Idaho Code, the Trustee has been informed that the address of **541 WILDROSE LOOP, TWIN FALLS, ID 83301,** is sometimes associated with said real property. Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty regarding title, possession or encumbrances to satisfy the obligation secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the Deed of Trust executed by **SCOTT M TROUT AND MELISSA Y TROUT, AKA MISSIE Y TROUT,** HUSBAND AND WIFE, as Grantor, to TWIN FALLS TITLE AND ESCROW COMPANY, as Trustee, for the benefit and security of BENEFICIAL IDAHO INC., as Beneficiary, dated 3/17/2008, recorded 3/18/2008, under Instrument No. 2008-006096, Mortgage records of TWIN FALLS County, IDAHO, the beneficial interest in which is presently held by BENEFICIAL IDAHO INC.. THE ABOVE GRANTORS ARE NAMED TO COMPLY WITH SECTION 45-1506(4)(A), IDAHO CODE. NO REPRESENTATION IS MADE THAT THEY ARE, OR ARE NOT, PRESENTLY RESPONSIBLE FOR THIS OBLIGATION. The default for which is sale is made is the failure to pay when due under the Deed of Trust Note dated 3/17/2008, THE MONTHLY PAYMENT WHICH BECAME DUE ON 6/21/2009 AND ALL SUBSEQUENT MONTHLY PAYMENTS, PLUS LATE CHARGES AND OTHER COSTS AND FEES AS SET FORTH. Amount due as of January 4, 2010 Delinquent Payments from June 21, 2009 5 payments at $2,248.28 each $11,241.40 2 payments at $2,418.70 each $4,837.40 (06-21-09 through 01-04-10) Late Charges: $674.46 Beneficiary Advances: $150.00 Suspense Credit: $0.00 TOTAL: $16,903.26 All delinquencies are now due, together with unpaid and accruing taxes, assessments, trustee's fees, attorney's fees, costs and advances made to protect the security associated with this foreclosure. The principal balance is $258,590.17, together with interest thereon at 9.840% per annum from 5/21/2009 to 11/21/2009, 9.840% per annum from 11/21/2009, until paid. The Beneficiary elects to sell or cause the trust property to be sold to satisfy said obligation. Anyone having any objection to the sale on any grounds whatsoever will be afforded an opportunity to be heard as to those objections if they bring a lawsuit to restrain the same. DATED: 1/4/2010 PIONEER LENDER TRUSTEE SERVICES, LLC Trustee By Kara Lansberry, Assistant Trustee Officer c/o REGIONAL TRUSTEE SERVICES CO 616 1 st Avenue, Suite 500 Seattle, WA 98104 Phone: (206) 340-2550 Sale Information: http://www.rtrustee.com ASAP# 3409507

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NOTICES NOTICES

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

Trustee's Sale No. 02-FHF-89026 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, PIONEER LENDER TRUSTEE SERVICES, LLC, the duly appointed Successor Trustee, will on May 20, 2010, at the hour of 12:00 PM, of said day, FRONT STEPS OF THE CASSIA COUNTY COURTHOUSE, 1459 OVERLAND AVENUE, BURLEY, ID, sell at public auction to the highest bidder, for cash, in lawful money of the United States, all payable at the time of sale, the following described real and personal property (hereafter referred to collectively as the "Property"), situated in the County of CASSIA, State of Idaho, to-wit: LOT 12 IN BLOCK 156 OF THE BURLEY TOWNSITE, CASSIA COUNTY, IDAHO AS THE SAME IS PLATTED IN THE OFFICIAL PLAT THEREOF, NOW OF RECORD IN THE OFFICE OF THE RECORDER OF SAID COUNTY. The Trustee has no knowledge of a more particular description of the above-referenced Property but, for purposes of compliance with Section 60-113 of Idaho Code, the Trustee has been informed that the address of **1434 ALMO AVENUE, BURLEY, ID 83318,** is sometimes associated with said real property. Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty regarding title, possession or encumbrances to satisfy the obligation secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the Deed of Trust executed by **DENNIS JAMES PELTON AND KAREN KRISTINE PELTON,** HUSBAND AND WIFE, as Grantor, to Land Title And Escrow, Inc., as Trustee, for the benefit and security of BENEFICIAL MORTGAGE CO. OF IDAHO, as Beneficiary, dated 8/9/2006, recorded 8/10/2006, under Instrument No. 310154, Mortgage records of CASSIA County, IDAHO, the beneficial interest in which is presently held by BENEFICIAL MORTGAGE CO. OF IDAHO. THE ABOVE GRANTORS ARE NAMED TO COMPLY WITH SECTION 45-1506(4)(A), IDAHO CODE. NO REPRESENTATION IS MADE THAT THEY ARE, OR ARE NOT, PRESENTLY RESPONSIBLE FOR THIS OBLIGATION. The default for which is sale is made is the failure to pay when due under the Deed of Trust Note dated 8/9/2006, THE MONTHLY PAYMENT WHICH BECAME DUE ON 8/14/2009 AND ALL SUBSEQUENT MONTHLY PAYMENTS, PLUS LATE CHARGES AND OTHER COSTS AND FEES AS SET FORTH. Amount due as of January 13, 2010 Delinquent Payments from August 14, 2009 5 payments at $ 702.82 each $ 3,514.10 (08-14-09 through 01-13-10) Late Charges: $ 156.85 Beneficiary Advances: $ 0.00 Suspense Credit: $ 0.00 TOTAL: $ 3,670.95 All delinquencies are now due, together with unpaid and accruing taxes, assessments, trustee's fees, attorney's fees, costs and advances made to protect the security associated with this foreclosure. The principal balance is $61,770.31, together with interest thereon at 11.550% per annum from 7/14/2009, until paid. The Beneficiary elects to sell or cause the trust property to be sold to satisfy said obligation. Anyone having any objection to the sale on any grounds whatsoever will be afforded an opportunity to be heard as to those objections if they bring a lawsuit to restrain the same. DATED: 1/13/2010. PIONEER LENDER TRUSTEE SERVICES, LLC Trustee By Kara Lansberry, Assistant Trustee Officer c/o REGIONAL TRUSTEE SERVICES CO 616 1st Avenue, Suite 500 Seattle, WA 98104 Phone: (206) 340-2550 Sale Information: http://www.rtrustee.com ASAP# 3418106

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

Trustee's Sale No. 02-FHF-87278 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, PIONEER LENDER TRUSTEE SERVICES, LLC, the duly appointed Successor Trustee, will on March 30, 2010, at the hour of 03:00 PM, of said day, FRONT STEPS OF THE GOODING COUNTY COURTHOUSE, 624 MAIN STREET, GOODING, ID, sell at public auction to the highest bidder, for cash, in lawful money of the United States, all payable at the time of sale, the following described real and personal property (hereafter referred to collectively as the "Property"), situated in the County of GOODING, State of Idaho, to-wit: Township 5 South, Range 14 East of the Boise Meridian, Gooding County, Idaho. Section 1: A parcel of land in the Southwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter and more particularly as follows: COMMENCING at the Southwest corner of said Section 1, from which the West One Quarter corner of said Section 1 bear North 00°19'41" West 2636.26 feet; THENCE North 00°19'41" West along the West boundary of the Southwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of Section 1 for a distance of 275.00 feet to THE TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE continuing North 00°19'41" West along the West boundary of the Southwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of section 1 for a distance of 125.00 feet; THENCE South 85°22'52" East for a distance of 456.18 feet; THENCE South 16°41'50" East for a distance of 88.71 feet; THENCE South 89°36'21" West parallel with the South boundary of the Southwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of Section 1 for a distance of 479.48 feet to THE TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING SUBJECT TO a 25.0 foot wide county road easement along the West boundary of the before described parcel. AND THE NORTH ONE-HALF OF THE FOLLOWING: Township 5 South, Range 14 East of the Boise Meridian, Gooding County, Idaho. Section 1: A parcel of land located in the Southwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter and more particularly described as follows: COMMENCING at the Southwest corner of said Section 1, from which the West One Quarter corner of said Section 1 bears North 00°19'41" West 2636.26 feet; THENCE North 00°19'41" West along the West boundary of the Southwest Quarter of the Southwest of Section 1 for a distance of 150.00 feet to THE TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE continuing North 00°19'41" West along the West boundary of the Southwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of Section 1 for a distance of 125.00 feet: THENCE North 89°36'21" East parallel with the South boundary of the Southwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of Section 1 for a distance of 479.48 feet; THENCE South 16°41'50" East for a distance of 72.73 feet; THENCE South 09°23'33" West for a distance of 56.01 feet; THENCE South 89°36'21" West parallel with the South boundary of the Southwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of Section 1 for a distance of 490.53 feet to THE TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING. SUBJECT TO a 25.00 foot wide County road easement along the West boundary of the before described parcel. The Trustee has no knowledge of a more particular description of the above-referenced Property but, for purposes of compliance with Section 60-113 of Idaho Code, the Trustee has been informed that the address of **1292 SOUTH 1700 EAST, GOODING, ID 83330,** is sometimes associated with said real property. Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty regarding title, possession or encumbrances to satisfy the obligation secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the Deed of Trust executed by **PHILLIP W. BARMORE,** AN UNMARRIED MAN, as Grantor, to GOODING TITLE AND ESCROW COMPANY, as Trustee, for the benefit and security of HOUSEHOLD FINANCE CORPORATION III, as Beneficiary, dated 2/2/2007, recorded 2/5/2007, under Instrument No. 220194, Mortgage records of GOODING County, IDAHO, the beneficial interest in which is presently held by HOUSEHOLD FINANCE CORPORATION III. THE ABOVE GRANTORS ARE NAMED TO COMPLY WITH SECTION 45-1506(4)(A), IDAHO CODE. NO REPRESENTATION IS MADE THAT THEY ARE, OR ARE NOT, PRESENTLY RESPONSIBLE FOR THIS OBLIGATION. The default for which is sale is made is the failure to pay when due under the Deed of Trust Note dated 2/2/2007, THE MONTHLY PAYMENT WHICH BECAME DUE ON 7/7/2009 AND ALL SUBSEQUENT MONTHLY PAYMENTS, PLUS LATE CHARGES AND OTHER COSTS AND FEES AS SET FORTH. Amount due as of November 20, 2009 Delinquent Payments from July 07, 2009 (07-07-09 through 11-20-09) 5 payments at $946.73 each $4,733.90 Late Charges: $351.33 Beneficiary Advances: $0.00 Suspense Credit: $0.00 TOTAL: $5,085.23 All delinquencies are now due, together with unpaid and accruing taxes, assessments, trustee's fees, attorney's fees, costs and advances made to protect the security associated with this foreclosure. The principal balance is $114,733.15, together with interest thereon at 9.000% per annum from 6/7/2009, until paid. The Beneficiary elects to sell or cause the trust property to be sold to satisfy said obligation. Anyone having any objection to the sale on any grounds whatsoever will be afforded an opportunity to be heard as to those objections if they bring a lawsuit to restrain the same. DATED: 11/20/2009. PIONEER LENDER TRUSTEE SERVICES, LLC Trustee By: REGIONAL TRUSTEE SERVICES CORPORATION It's Attorney-in-Fact By Anna Egdorf Authorized Agent c/o REGIONAL TRUSTEE SERVICES CORPORATION 616 1st Avenue, Suite 500 Seattle, WA 98104 Phone: (206) 340-2550 Sale Information: http://www.rtrustee.com ASAP# 3362952

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CITY OF RUPERT
TREASURER'S QUARTERLY FINANCIAL REPORT
1st QUARTER DECEMBER 31, 2009

FUND	BUDGET	YTD RECEIPTS	YTD EXPENSE	%EXP
GENERAL	3,046,352.00	566,583.56	526,747.29	17%
LIBRARY	156,621.00	14,729.04	27,032.49	17%
METER	30,000.00	41.47		0%
POLICE GRANT	5,000.00	9,104.00	1,427.02	29%
SWIMMING POOL CONSTRUCTION	(66,403.00)	38,428.71		0%
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT	22,500.00			0%
EQUIPMENT POOL	211,043.00		33,844.25	16%
A STREET PROJECT	480,000.00			0%
WATER RESERVE	85,960.00		20,766.50	24%
WASTEWATER RESERVE	350,000.00	100,000.00		0%
LID #18	571.00	125.02		0%
LID #20	4,795.00	2,937.27		0%
LID #21	11,327.00	3,439.07		0%
LID #22	2,759.00	333.94		0%
WATER	1,052,445.00	221,081.93	182,748.40	17%
SANITATION	599,346.00	142,355.20	133,876.17	22%
WASTEWATER	2,638,466.00	525,515.85	285,435.04	11%
ELECTRIC	5,418,637.00	1,102,073.59	702,096.79	13%

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

101 Lost and Found

FOUND CAT near LeeAnn Dr., Twin Falls. Nice, longhaired, cream color, neutered male. **734-8412**

FOUND Digital Camera. Call to identify type and pictures. Found in Twin Falls on N. Lincoln. **Call 208-329-0996**

FOUND DOG by the Heyburn Post Office. Call to identify 208-678-0253.

FOUND DOG Pug puppy on Feb. 7 at Skylane Park in Twin Falls. Call to identify **208-733-5238.**

FOUND Siamese cat, long haired male, young, found in SW Hagerman. **Call 208-837-6523**

FOUND White dog, female, possibly part Pit Bull, west of Hagerman. **Call 208-837-6242**

LOST Dogs, both male, 1 German Shepherd, 1 Shepherd mix, traveling together in the Bliss area. **Call 208-404-3316**

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LOST Heeler mix, male, less than 1 year old, neutered, last seen 6 miles S. of Stravelle. Black/white, long legs, large ears, black mask around his eyes, white tip on his tail, 2 front legs are white with black freckles, answers to "Blackie" not wearing a collar. **If you've seen him please call 208-878-4835 we will pick up. Reward offered.**

LOST Schnauzer, miniature pup, black, last seen 2/8 on 2050 E between 4th and 1850 S, Gooding. If found call 539-3399.

LOST Shih Tzu **REWARD $100.** mostly cream color with brown lost near BITTERROOT DR. Twin Falls. If you have any information **Please call 420-4520 or 320-6815**

104 Personals

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106 Special Notices

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Answer to previous puzzle

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8	7	5	2	6	4	1	3	9
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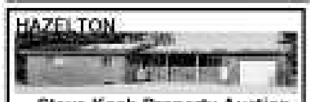

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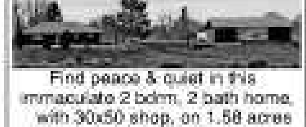

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TODAY IN HISTORY

On this date:
In 1763, Britain, Spain and France signed the Treaty of Paris, ending the Seven Years' War.

In 1840, Britain's Queen Victoria married Prince Albert of Saxe-Coburg and Gotha.

In 1841, Upper Canada and Lower Canada were proclaimed united under an Act of Union passed by the British Parliament.

In 1942, the former French liner Normandie capsized in New York Harbor a day after it caught fire while being refitted for the U.S. Navy.

In 1949, Arthur Miller's play "Death of a Salesman" opened at Broadway's Morosco Theater with Lee J. Cobb as Willy Loman.

In 1959, a major tornado tore through the St. Louis, Mo., area, killing 21 people and causing heavy damage.

In 1962, the Soviet Union exchanged captured American U-2 pilot Francis Gary Powers for Rudolf Abel, a Soviet spy held by the United States.

In 1968, U.S. figure skater Peggy Fleming won America's only gold medal of the Winter Olympic Games in Grenoble, France.

In 1981, eight people were killed when a fire set by a busboy broke out at the Las Vegas Hilton hotel-casino.

In 1989, Ron Brown was elected chairman of the Democratic National Committee, becoming the first black to head a major U.S. political party.

Ten years ago: The hijackers of an Afghan plane surrendered, ending a four-day standoff at Stansted airport outside London. The Federal Aviation Administration ordered inspections of MD-80, MD-90, DC-9 and 717 series jetliners after two Alaska Airlines planes were found to have equipment damage similar to that on Alaska Airlines Flight 261, which crashed off the California coast Jan. 31, killing all 88 people on board. Actor Jim Varney, best known for his comic character Ernest P. Worrell, died in White House, Tenn. at age 50.

Five years ago: Playwright Arthur Miller died in Roxbury, Conn. at age 89 on the 56th anniversary of the Broadway opening of his "Death of a Salesman." Britain's Prince Charles announced he would marry his divorced lover, Camilla Parker Bowles, in April. North Korea boasted publicly for the first time that it possessed nuclear weapons. New York civil rights lawyer Lynne Stewart was convicted of smuggling messages of violence from one of her jailed clients, radical Egyptian sheik Omar Abdel-Rahman, to his terrorist disciples on the outside. (Stewart began serving a two-year, four-month sentence in Nov. 2009.)

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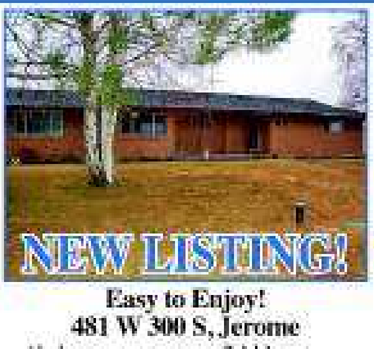

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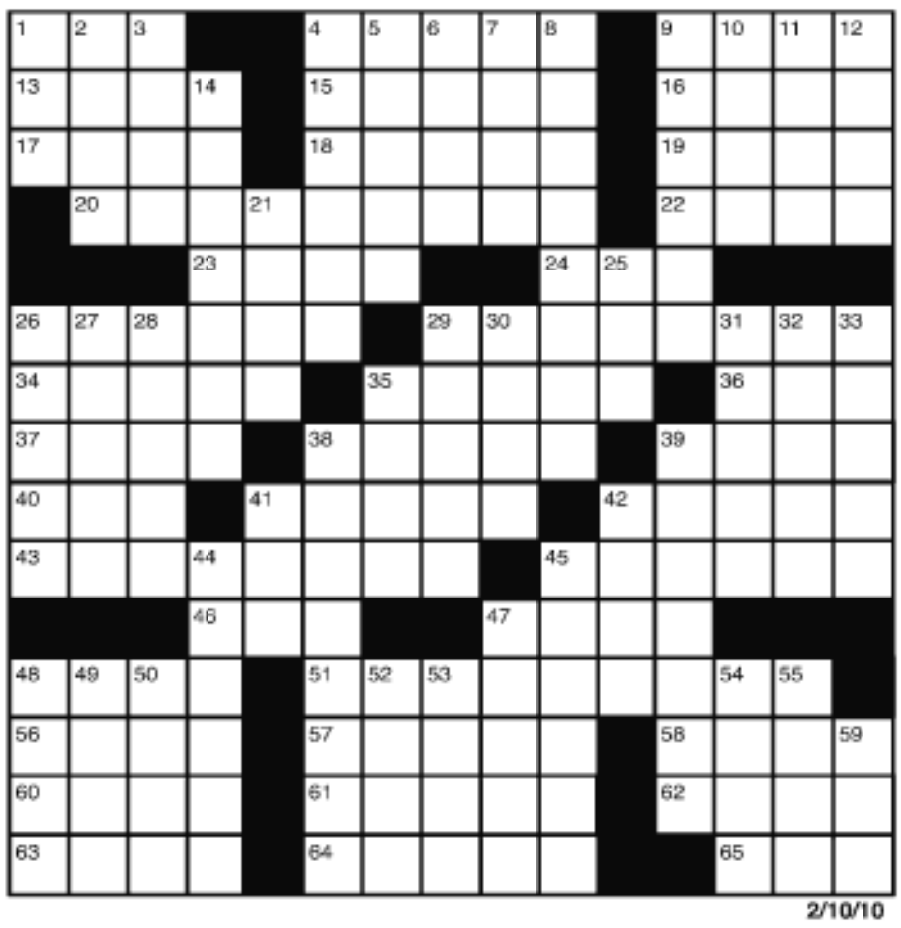
20 List
22 Inquires
23 Like the morning grass
24 __ Jones Industrial Average
26 In a simple way
29 Theory of one who lives in a dream world
34 1960s dance
35 Tearful one
36 Scottish "no"
37 "Hell __ no fury like a..."
38 Small ape, for short
39 Keep __ on; watch carefully
40 __ out a living; get by
41 Self-confidence
42 Sulks
43 Studious investigation
45 Measly
46 Recipe verb
47 Show-offs
48 Breathing organ
51 Gashed
56 Precious stone
57 Enthusiastic approval
58 One with debts
60 Pigeon shelter
61 Use a razor
62 Sharp bark
63 Shoelace problem
64 Stitched
65 Circular edge



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1 Marriage vow
2 Speak wildly
3 Prayer closing
4 Wacko
5 __ as an ape
6 "__ Karenina"
7 Price
8 Very involved
9 Spread out
10 Part of the eye
11 Have none of
12 Caustic soap ingredients
14 Overly proper
21 Liquefy
25 Boatman's item
26 Old anesthetic
27 Conscious
28 Web locations
29 Of Dublin
30 Thin coin
31 Not appropriate
32 Cavalry sword
33 Sloppy
35 Stylish
38 Like a portable phone
39 Novelist Lev __ of Russia
41 Launch site
42 Child's first word, perhaps
44 Young bird of prey
45 Went separate ways
47 Lift with effort
48 Ringlet of hair
49 Perched atop
50 Intl. alliance
52 Long
53 Talon
54 Pitcher
55 Salami shop
59 Record speed letters

Tuesday's Puzzle Solved

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DEAR ABBY: I am 20 and live most of the year on my college campus. I'm on a full scholarship, so my parents are not paying my tuition. Most of my mail – bank statements, etc. – still goes to my parents' house since I don't have a permanent address.

For the last two years, my mother has opened my bank statement and read the entire thing. She then calls me and goes through all of my card charges and checks, and asks me to explain where I was and what I bought.

DEAR ABBY
Jeanne Phillips

I have tried telling her that I am an adult and that what I buy is my business, but she continues to do this every month. When I explained that I am capable of managing my own finances, she told me she was just worried about me and that "a mother ALWAYS has the right to worry about her only child."

I understand she will always be concerned about my well-being, financial and otherwise, but this is taking it too far. How can I explain to her that it's not OK to invade my privacy? I know she means well, and I don't want to hurt her feelings, but it's really becoming a hassle.

– COLLEGE CO-ED IN WILLIAMSBURG, VA.

DEAR COLLEGE CO-ED: A mother may always have the right to worry, but she does not always have the right to snoop. Because you have already tried explaining to her that you feel what she's doing is an invasion of privacy and the message isn't getting through, it's time for you to open a post office box near the campus and have your mail sent there. It can be forwarded to you if you go home for the summers.

DEAR ABBY: After my mother died two years ago, my sisters and I divided up her household items, parceling out equally objects of material and sentimental value. One item, which went to my younger sister, "Beth," was a brightly colored handmade Native American rug our parents bought in the 1950s in Arizona. It had been displayed prominently for decades on a wall in the house where we three children grew up.

I visited Beth recently and was shocked to see that she had taken the rug out of storage and was using it as a floor rug in her family room. I shuddered to think of the damage that a daily trample by her three little kids, she and her husband and a sadly incontinent dog will do to this family treasure. I politely asked her to reconsider and find somewhere else to display it. If she couldn't, I offered to trade it for something of her choice from my parcel of the family possessions.

Beth took offense, reminding me that it is, after all, a rug, and that it now belongs to her. Emphasizing that her small house has limited wall space, she implied that I was trying to get the rug for myself. She feels my desire to see it displayed is no more valid than hers to see it used. Am I wrong in thinking she should not trash this heirloom?

– SENTIMENTAL IN HARTFORD, CONN.

DEAR SENTIMENTAL: The rug belongs to your sister, to do with as she pleases. HOWEVER, her Native American rug purchased in the 1950s could be extremely valuable. Has your sister had it appraised? If not, I am urging you to tell her to have it done, because it could pay for a year or two of one of her children's college education.

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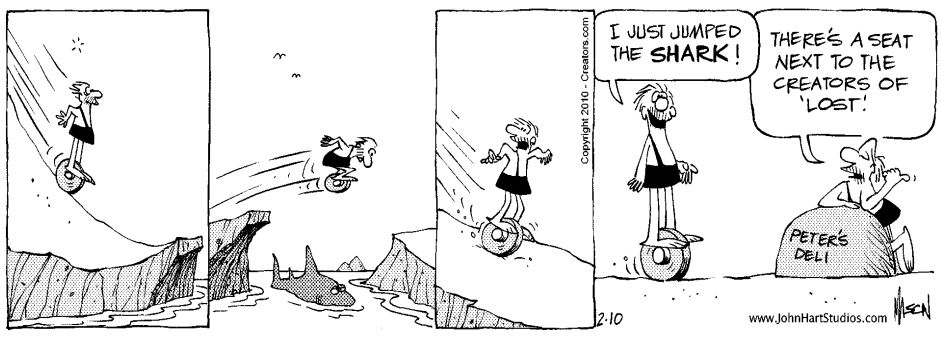

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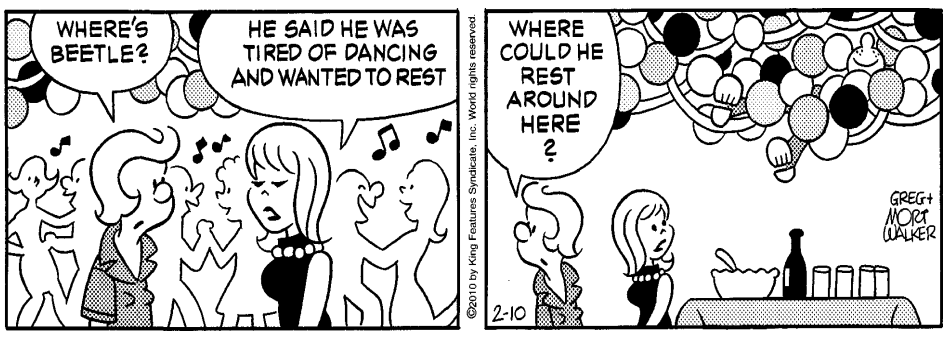

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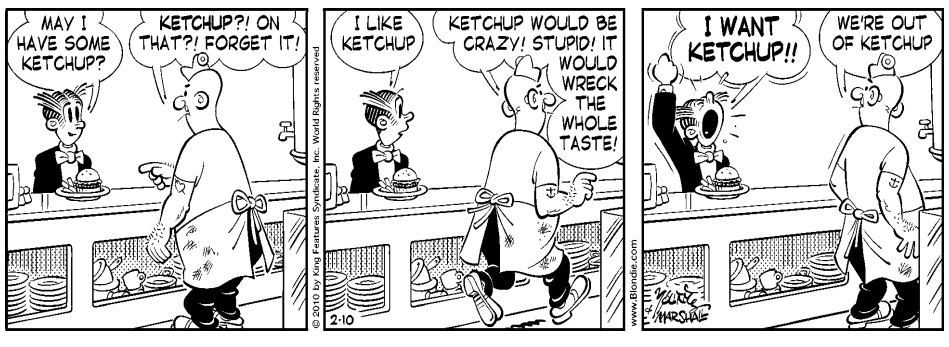

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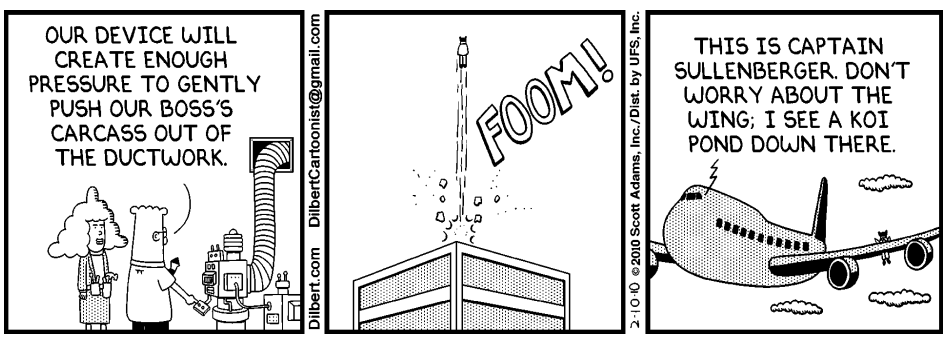

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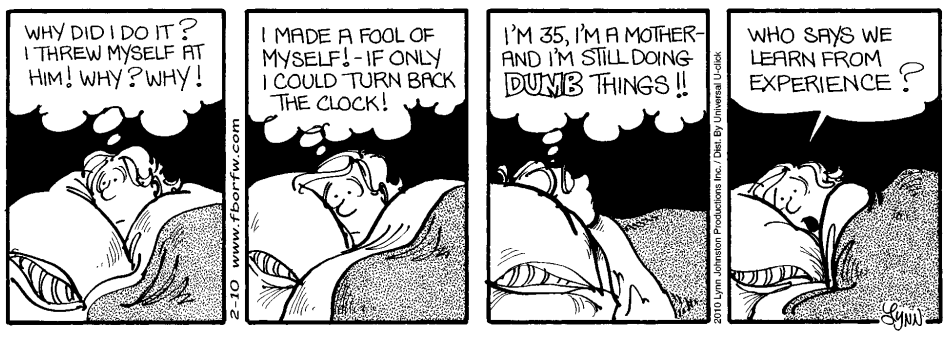

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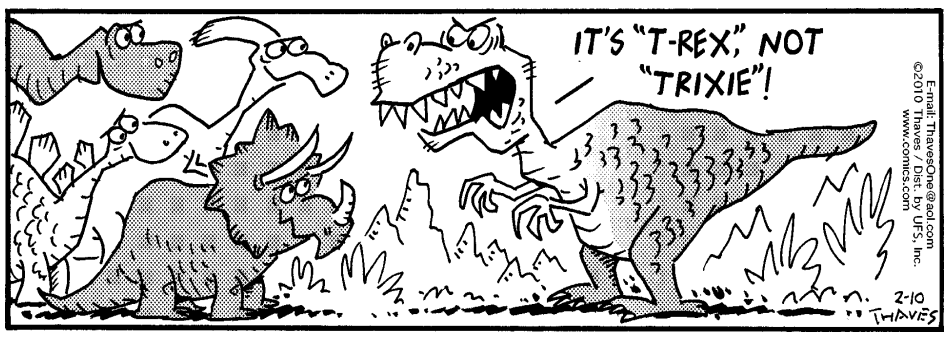

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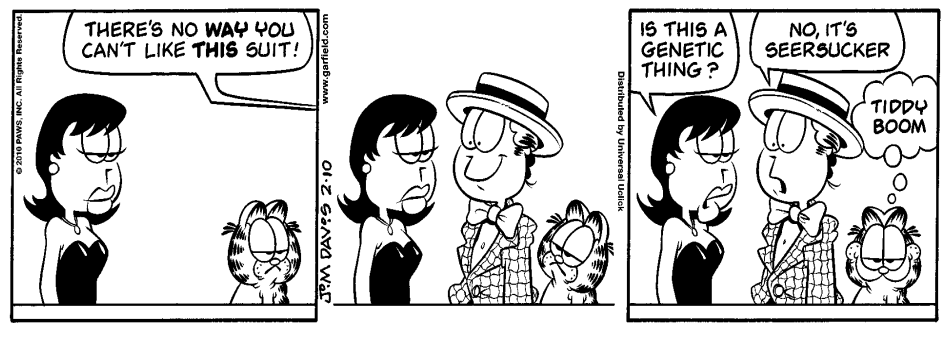

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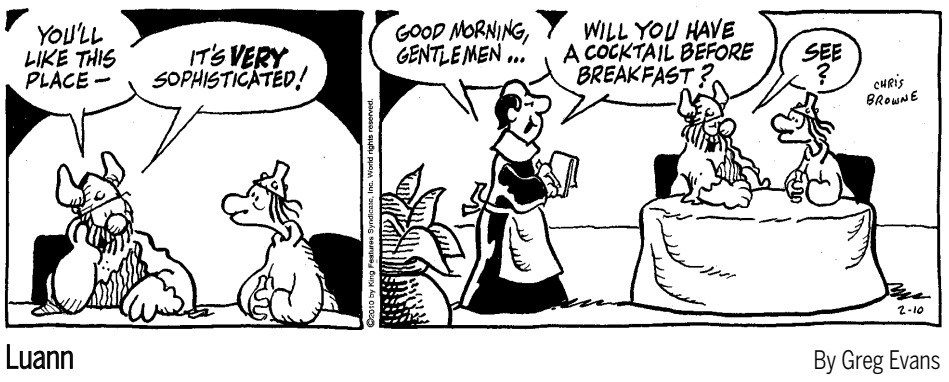

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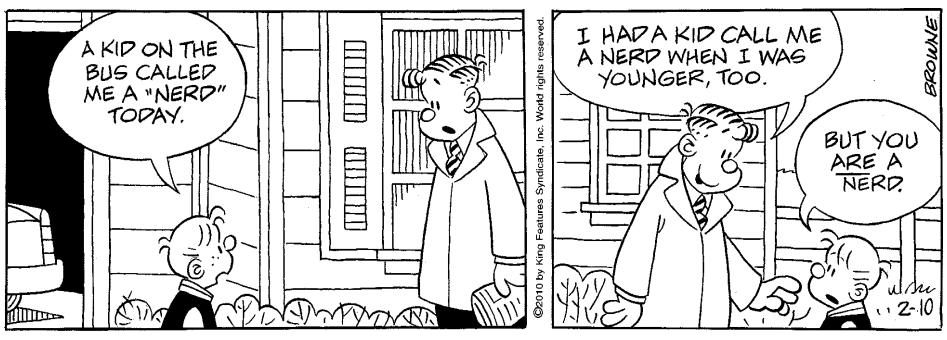

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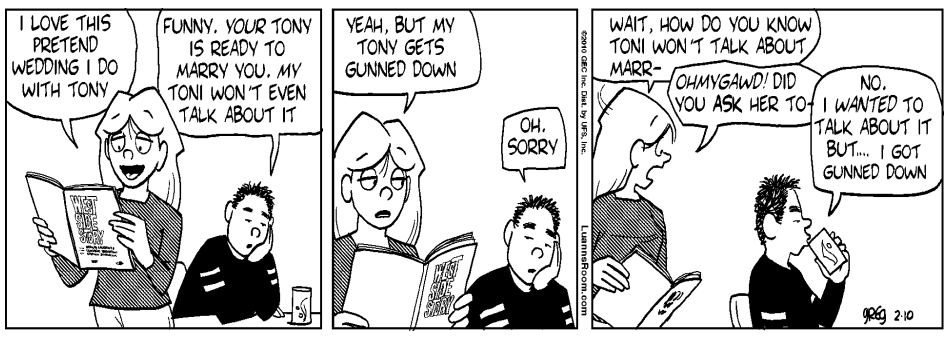

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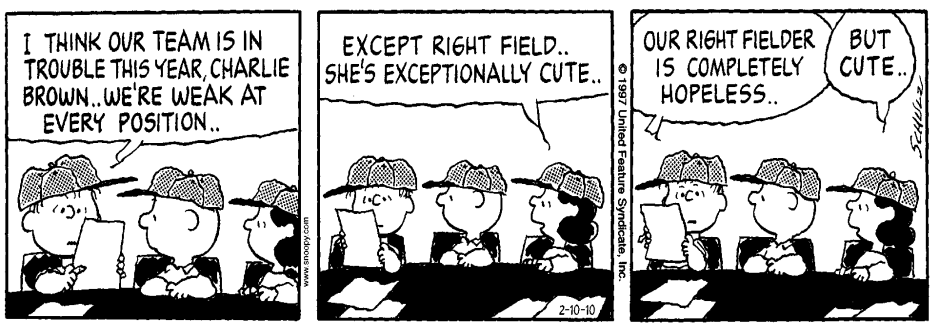

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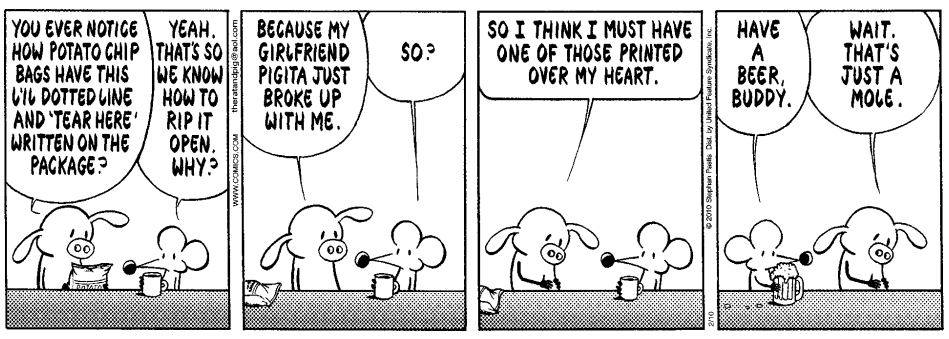

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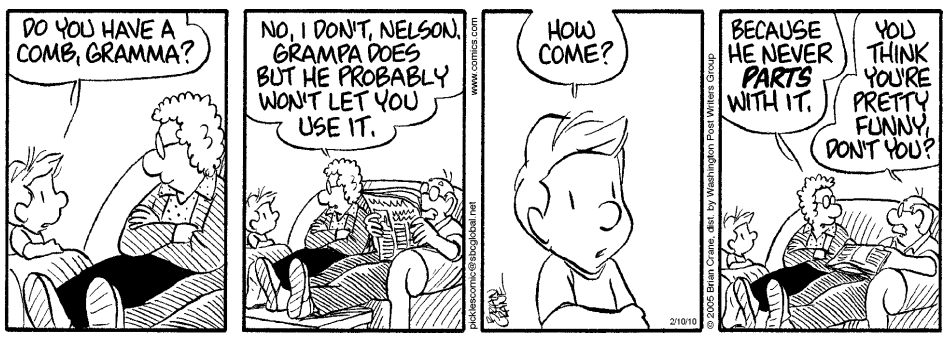

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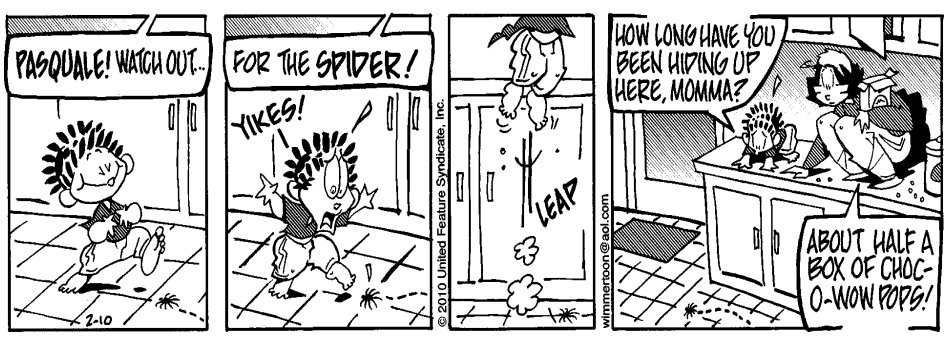

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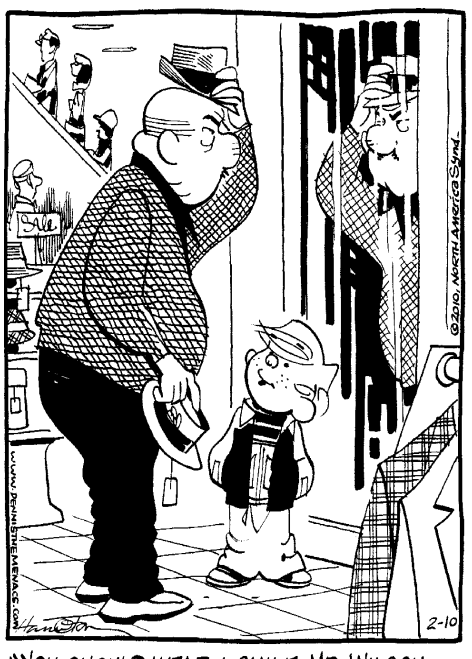

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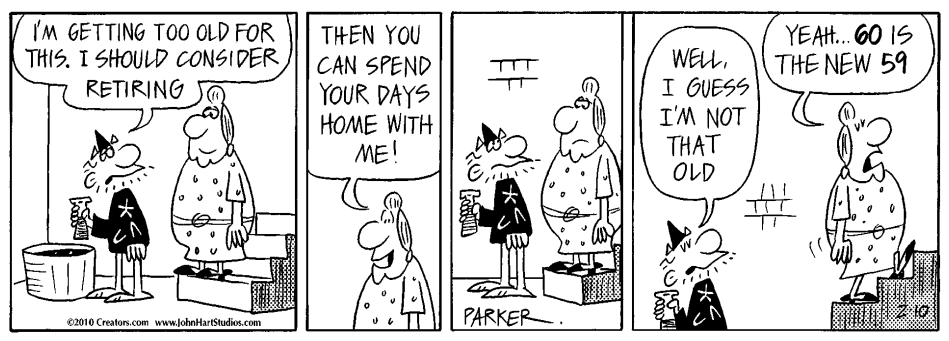

Zits
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IF FEBRUARY 10 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY: You could be too wrapped up in pursuing the "impossible dream" this month and ruin your chances to achieve a possible dream. You might not be completely realistic during the next few weeks, so wait until May to make your move. That is a better time for relationships and a much better time for business. If you must make a significant promise or commitment, you can also wait until early July when your luck is better than usual and it is easy to obtain support and assistance.

HOROSCOPE
Jeraldine Saunders

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Once you set a golden ball rolling, it can develop momentum. You may be inspired to work harder, and more conscientiously, than usual. Your efforts will pay off sooner than you think.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Fixity of purpose breeds success. Unflagging ambitions can whip you into high gear. It is easy to become totally immersed in your latest project or key business venture to the exclusion of all else.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): If your true love is too busy to smother you with affection, try a happy hour out with buddies. Singles should play it footloose and fancy free unless a fascinating flirtation develops with a friend.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Remember that a smile just takes a second. You may become so wrapped up in your own busy little world that you forget to come up for air. Don't neglect loved ones or forget to be sociable today.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): If you want a job done right, sometimes it is best to do it yourself. You have little incentive to wait for the other guy to do a job for you. Because you are intent on making things happen, you will succeed.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): You may be thrown into contact with people who are somewhat callous about getting what they want but who are talented at what they do. Work towards a purpose and follow a plan to be successful.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Existing relationships run smoothly and may even be blissful if you watch your p's and q's. You might hook up with someone who can read between the lines and give you the necessary expertise to succeed.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Add one spoonful of special charisma to three spoonfuls of determined effort and you will go far. Partners or co-workers may offer constructive criticism that will prevent you from making errors.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Be grateful. Whenever you feel blessed in material ways it is easy to be generous towards others. Someone close may ask for assistance. Give graciously with no expectation of compensation.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Drive and determination are in the air; delegate time and effort to the most important projects. Since you are focused on pursuing private passions others could find you reserved or somewhat aloof.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Accept what comes with open arms. A trusted companion is going to be your best adviser. You could attract valuable tips or earn gratuities or stumble upon a sterling opportunity to make mend fences.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): You may be perceived as the personality kid. An optimistic outlook invigorates the atmosphere especially when others in close connection labor under heavy burdens. Lend a helping hand and encouragement.

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Wednesday, Feb. 10, 2010

THE ACES ON BRIDGE®

Bobby Wolff

"But if the while I think on thee, dear friend,
All losses are restored and sorrows end."
— William Shakespeare

Today's deal arose at rubber bridge in the United States, where multiple world-champion Benito Garozzo of the famed Italian Blue Team now resides.

Nine tricks can be taken at notrump, but after careful exploration, neither North nor South fancied three no-trump without a club stop between them. The game they finally chose was the Moysian fit of four spades. West led the spade six; plan the play.

Admittedly, had Garozzo inserted dummy's nine, he could have run 11 tricks, but he had another plan in mind: the spade six was allowed to win the first trick! Puzzled, West now switched to a heart, which South won in hand. A trump to the ace found both defenders following, so Garozzo finished drawing trumps, then ran the seven red-suit winners for his contract.

Garozzo had appreciated that by ducking the first trump lead, he would be in control regardless of the continuation as long as spades broke no worse than 4-2. See what would transpire if Garozzo had taken the ace and king of spades, leaving one trump in dummy to take care of a club attack, and had then gone after diamonds. West ruffs the third round of diamonds, cashes the club ace, then plays a club to East. Now a fourth diamond promotes a second trump trick for the defenders. The alternative of drawing three rounds of trump, then playing on diamonds, allows the defenders to take three club tricks and one trump.

02-10-A

NORTH
♠ A 9 3
♥ A J 5
♦ A K J 10 7
♣ 8 4

WEST
♠ J 10 8 6
♥ 9 7 3 2
♦ 8 5
♣ A Q 5

EAST
♠ 7 5
♥ Q 10 8
♦ 9 6 4 3
♣ K J 10 6

SOUTH
♠ K Q 4 2
♥ K 6 4
♦ Q 2
♣ 9 7 3 2

Vulnerable: Both
Dealer: West

The bidding:

South	West	North	East
	Pass	1 ♦	Pass
1 ♠	Pass	2 ♥	Pass
3 ♣	Pass	3 ♠	Pass
4 ♠	All pass		

Opening lead: Spade six

BID WITH THE ACES

02-10-B

South holds:
♠ K Q 4 2
♥ K 6 4
♦ Q 2
♣ 9 7 3 2

South	West	North	East
		1 ♦	Dbl.
Rdbl.	1 ♥	Pass	Pass
?			

ANSWER: You are in a forcing auction, and your partner's pass suggested a balanced hand with no clear-cut action. You can bid one spade now, since your partner may easily have four spades, but not have wanted to get in your way. Unless he now shows extras, you will probably end up in a low-level partscore, but there is no need for you to make the decision for the partnership yet.

For details of Bobby Wolff's autobiography, "The Lone Wolff," contact kay19072@aol.com. If you would like to contact Bobby Wolff, e-mail him at bobbywolff@mindspring.com.

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