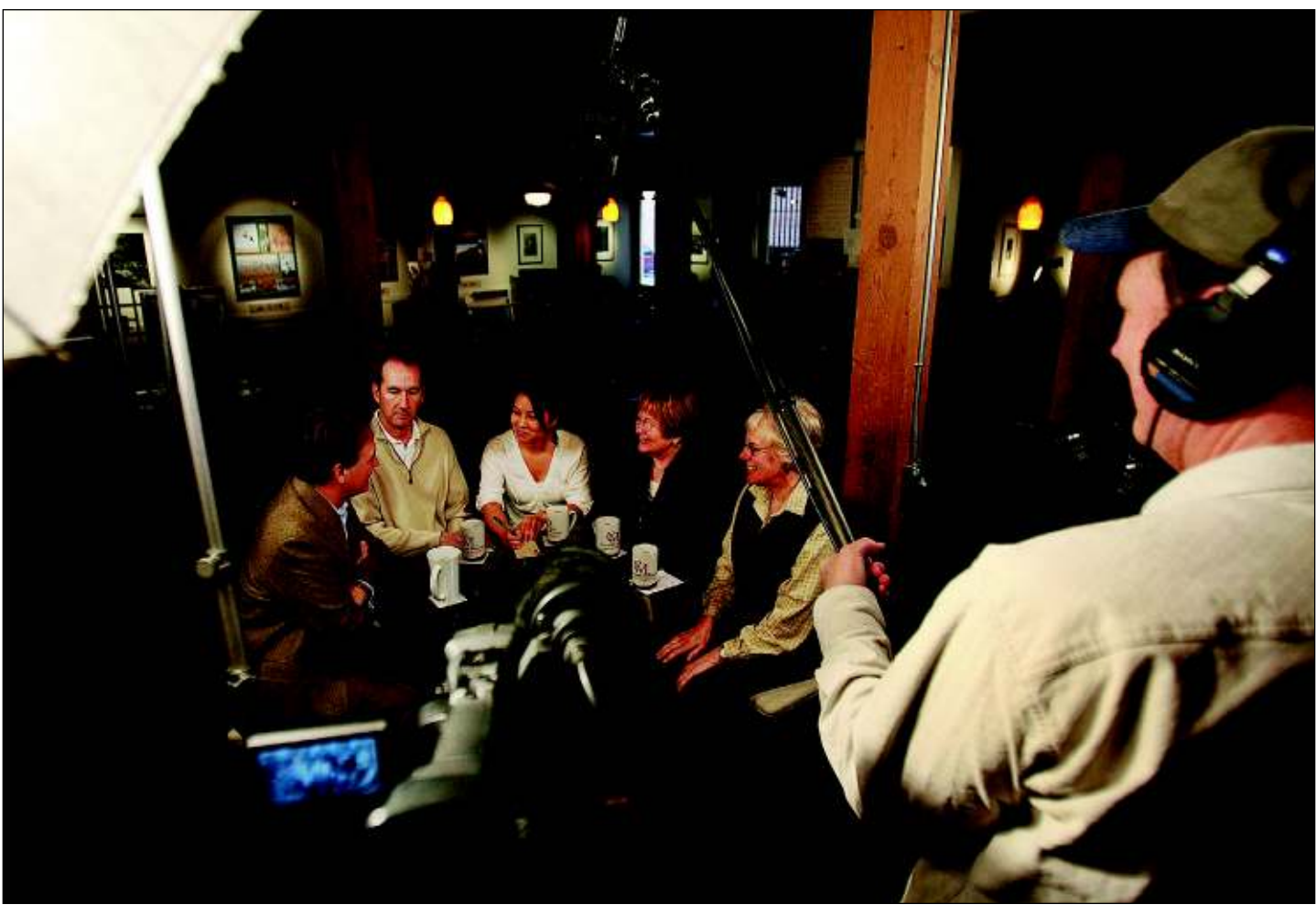


Idaho Public Television faces uncertain future after Gov. Otter proposes  
**DIALING BACK DOLLARS**



'Idaho Reports' host Thanh Tan, center, talks with former members of the Legislature on Feb. 4 at The Cole/Marr Coffee House in Boise during filming for a segment of the weekly show on Idaho Public Television.

State considers new funding formula for IPTV

By Ben Botkin  
Times-News writer

BOISE — Idaho Public Television is at a crossroads. Across its intersection is the present system, in which IPTV offers a service that covers virtually all of Idaho. But a sharp turn may be in store for IPTV, in which it is weaned entirely off state funding, and relies upon private contributions. What happens next depends on the Legislature and how it balances the state's budget with Gov. C.L. "Butch" Otter's recommendation to gradually strip away IPTV's state funding during the next four years.

For public television, home of popular programs such as "Sesame Street," "Masterpiece Theatre" and "Antiques Roadshow," the change would mark a fundamental shift away from state support that helps broadcast programming to sparsely populated areas. The proposal would take away one-fourth of IPTV's \$1.6 million in state funding — \$400,000 — each year until it's gone. That money would go to the state's education budget instead. The loss of state funding would remove about 24 percent of IPTV's \$7 million budget. The rest of IPTV's money comes from a Corporation for Public Broadcasting grant and

private contributions. "The state's investment is modest but that modest part is a really key piece," said Peter Morrill, general manager of IPTV. State funding pays for the administration and maintenance of IPTV's statewide broadcast system, while private donations help pay for programming and production. About \$3 million of the budget comes from private contributions, which means IPTV would have to increase donations received by more than 50 percent within four years to fill a \$1.6 million hole. Jon Hanian, Otter's spokesman, said the proposal



The Idaho Public Television building on North Orchard Street in Boise. The organization shares the building with the Idaho Department of Environmental Quality and U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.



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reflects the governor's belief in user pay. "That means if you use or enjoy a service — whether that means driving on a state road, enjoying a state park, or watching a taxpayer-funded television program to some degree or another — the user of that service should be willing to bear some part of the cost associated with providing that service," Hanian said. "This is what we are doing."

**Regional impact**

In south-central Idaho, the proposal means IPTV would

**INSIDE**

State Sen. Brackett questions legislators' IPTV appearances.

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have to monitor donations from the region to see if they match what's needed to maintain the transmitter that serves most of the Magic Valley. IPTV has five transmitters serving the population hubs in the state: Coeur d'Alene, Moscow, the Treasure Valley, the Idaho Falls region and the Magic

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**Idaho launches push for F-35 jets**

Boise, Mountain Home sites in national competition to host up to 72 fighter jets

By Nate Poppino  
Times-News writer

Idaho officials are pushing forward with a campaign to host the U.S. Air Force's newest fighter jet, and they hope you will play a key part. A public scoping meeting for an environmental analysis of where to put the next-generation F-35A Lightning II Joint Strike Fighter is planned for Thursday in Twin Falls. Those comments will go on to Air Force officials who are plotting out the new aircraft's future. The F-35 is intended to serve multiple roles in the sky, flexible enough for both air-to-air and air-to-ground combat. Though a version of the jet is capable of vertical takeoffs and landings, the Air Force version is a conventional aircraft.

See JETS, Main 2

**Public gets sneak peek at new Gooding hospital**

By John Plestina  
Times-News writer


GOODING — When the 50,000-square-foot, \$28 million North Canyon Medical Center opens on March 2 with new state-of-the-art digital equipment, it will replace the vintage 1970 Gooding County Memorial Hospital. The long-planned and long-awaited new hospital held a grand opening, ribbon cutting and public tours Friday and Saturday. The hospital's human resources director, Sara Otto, said several hundred

See HOSPITAL, Main 2



DREW GODLESKI/For the Times-News  
Surgical Technician Orus Bawles gives a tour of the North Canyon Medical Center during an open house Saturday in Gooding.

"We do not see any substantial new sources of funds sitting out there that we have not already explored. We're not seeing the potential there. ... Now are we going to see small increases? That's possible, but not to this type of degree."  
— Peter Morrill, general manager of Idaho Public Television, on the potential loss of state funding in the coming years



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Pat's Picks

Three things to do today

Pat Marcantonio

- All kinds of good stuff is on sale at the Magic Valley Flea Market, held from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. in Merchant Building No. 3 at the Twin Falls County Fairgrounds in Filer. Admission is free.
- There's nothing like sharing a beautiful view with someone you love. There are plenty of views to share in the region, from the mountains up north to the Snake River Canyon. So pack a lunch and enjoy what the area has to offer for Valentine's Day.
- My favorite thing to do this time of year is to watch as many of the Oscar-nominated films as I can — either at the movies or on DVD. It's fun to do with friends. I have six movies down and four to go.

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


EARNING HIS EAGLE



DREW GODLESKI/For the Times-News

Jaxon Pearl, 15, earns his Eagle Scout rank as he watches an American flag burn during his flag burning-ceremony Saturday in Twin Falls.

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TODAY'S HAPPENINGS

ARTS AND ENTERTAINMENT

Contra and line dancing class and DJ music, 2 to 5 p.m. at Twin Falls Senior Citizens Center, 530 Shoshone St. W. \$3 admission. 410-5650 or [galenslatte.com](mailto:galenslatte.com).

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Reminder for Friday: Mardi Grass fundraiser halibut dinner, 5:30 p.m., with bingo and silent auction, West End Senior Center, \$11 per person, advance tickets by calling 543-4577 or at the door.

To have an event listed, please submit the name of the event, a brief description, time, place, cost and contact number to Mirela Sulejmanovic by e-mail at [msulejmanovic@magicvalley.com](mailto:msulejmanovic@magicvalley.com); by phone, 735-3278; by fax, 734-5538; or by mail, Times-News, P.O.Box 548, Twin Falls, ID 83303-0548. Deadline is noon, four days in advance of the event.

EXHIBITS

Art exhibitions by Catalan-born artists Quim Bove with "Nova Stream" and Marta Moreu with "Connection," 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., Gallery

TODAY'S REMINDERS

Reminder for Wednesday: Southern Idaho Manufacturing Alliance Forum, noon to 2 p.m., Morey's Steakhouse, 219 E. Third St.,

Jets

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The state has mounted a full push to secure the aircraft, including a Web site and Facebook page. Officials are actually court-ing two proposals:

- Mountain Home Air Force Base is one of five candidates for a site to actually serve as a base for the new aircraft. Other facilities competing for it include bases in Utah, Vermont, South Carolina and Florida. The military is studying putting as many as 72 F-35s at Mountain Home.
- Gowen Field, in a separate review, is one of five possible sites where the military could place F-35 training aircraft and related facilities. Alternatives for the training jets include sites in New Mexico, Arizona and Florida. The Boise site would also get as many as 72 jets.

Though the bases are in southwest Idaho, the jets would fly over training grounds in the desert just west of Buhl, and the Air Force is interested in what the Magic Valley has to say.

Bibiana Nertney, with the Idaho Department of Commerce, said officials saw good turnout at the Gowen Field scoping meetings in the Treasure Valley and Bruneau last week. This week, the military will gather comments for MHAFB in Grand View, Boise, Twin Falls and Mountain Home.

Those comments will be factored into environmental impact statements that will both be finalized in 2011.

Base officials at Mountain Home couldn't say much about the F-35s, as they have to avoid the appearance that they're advocating they be picked.

"We're just happy to be chosen as one of the sites," said Staff Sgt. Brian Stives.

But Lt. Col. Tim Marsano with the Idaho National Guard said if both bases are awarded the aircraft, their close proximity would make

Photo courtesy Boise Metro Chamber of Commerce

An F-35A Lightning II Joint Strike Fighter jet is shown in this conceptual rendering of the aircraft with Idaho markings. Idaho officials have launched an aggressive push to become the home base to the U.S. Air Force's newest fighter.

F-35A LIGHTNING II		TAKE PART
Span	35 feet	A public scoping meeting regarding hosting the F-35 is set for 6 to 8 p.m. Thursday at the north cafeteria of the College of Southern Idaho's Student Union Building. The meeting will be an open-house format with no formal presentation.
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trading supplies and equipment much more efficient for the military.

"We see that as a great value to the taxpayer," Marsano said.

Much of the economic benefit of the F-35s won't be determined until the base assignments are made and the state knows how many jets are coming here, Marsano said. And it's even murkier what effects the Magic Valley might see, though he noted there would be a "ripple effect" from construction and spending.

A number of cities, including Jerome, Gooding, Sun Valley and Burley, have nevertheless passed resolutions supporting the F-35s. The Twin Falls City Council voted its support on Feb. 1, led by Mayor Don Hall, who said he's been an "honorary commander" with the Mountain Home base for about a year now. Council members spoke highly of the benefits they think southwest Idaho brings to

the debate, and said they believe the hard part will be convincing military officials of the state's value.

"We think we have all the logistics in place," said Councilman Lance Clow. "Now it's the politics of it."

Much of the state's push for the jets right now, as the economy struggles to improve, is centered on the economic benefits — though the aircraft won't likely arrive until at least mid-2013. In an opinion piece sent out last Monday, Gov. C.L. "Butch" Otter wrote that the F-35s are now the top priority for his Project 60 campaign to grow Idaho's gross domestic product.

"The potential is there for 3,000 direct, career-level jobs being secured — not to mention the enormous additional economic opportunities resulting from those jobs, and the chance of solidifying the position of both bases as pillars of our economy for another 50 years," Otter wrote, adding that the two bases make up more than \$1 billion of Idaho's economy every year.

Other Idahoans see similar benefits, including some

of the people listed as individual supporters of the F-35s on the state's promotional site, [www.idahof35.com](http://www.idahof35.com). Donna Bach of Twin Falls said a recent Twin Falls Area Chamber of Commerce talk with state legislators motivated her to write a letter supporting the F-35s.

"If we don't support that base and the expansion of it, we will lose more jobs," she said of Mountain Home.

Aside from the state debate, the aircraft face a greater challenge: budget overruns and development delays that have prompted some in Congress to question the project.

Marsano said officials here watch those debates, but keep their focus on their current work.

"Our job right now is to put our best foot forward to convince the Air Force that we are, in fact, the best option to train these pilots once these planes come off the assembly line, no matter how long that takes," he said.

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Hospital

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people turned out for the ribbon cutting on Friday. When the new hospital opened for public tours Saturday morning, about 40 people came through the doors within the first 10 minutes.

"I think it's awesome. It's no comparison to where we are working right now," said hospital employee Lauren Shryock.

"I'm impressed. It will be so nice to have this facility here," said Sally Toone of Gooding.

"So am I. It's more than I ever imagined," added her husband, Mark Toone.

"It's fabulous. We've needed this for years," said Susan McCray of Wendell. "There are windows. You don't feel like you're in a cave."

"This is Gooding, Idaho. This is pretty classy," said Arlene Ballard of Shoshone.

Hospital CEO Earl



DREW GODLESKI/For the Times-News

Visitors enter the North Canyon Medical Center for a tour of the facility Saturday.

Fitzpatrick said the new facility was completed a little under budget with construction costs of about \$17 million. Another \$11 million funded new medical equipment, furnishings and artwork.

What was originally slated to be a 13-month construction period turned into 18 months due to the slumping economy.

"We went to the market

and the market crashed," Fitzpatrick said. He said the hospital's triple-A bond rating secured a 6.75 percent rate.

Amenities make the new hospital appealing to those who need medical services.

Unlike many other hospitals, all patient rooms will be private and most will have couches that will open into beds for family members wishing to stay. Two of the rooms will have chairs that convert into beds.

The new hospital will feature two full-service operating rooms, eight surgeons on staff and six specialty physicians that will visit the facility. Currently, only colonoscopies are preformed at the

old hospital.

There will be new, modern radiology equipment, a new digital CAT scan, two new ER trauma rooms and two sleep labs.

"For a laboratory, this is a nice open area. It's not a basement like some labs," Fitzpatrick said. "Our pride and joy right now is our new digital mammography. We have a mammography machine at our other hospital but it's not like this."

MRI service will continue to be offered once each week from a trailer.

Otto said there are 124 employees at the old hospital and that number will increase to more than 130 at the new facility.

The hospital's foundation hosted a dinner and social on Saturday at the Gooding Basque Center.

The 40-year-old Gooding County Memorial Hospital building at 1120 Montana St., is on state-owned land and will revert to the state.

The new hospital is at 267 North Canyon Drive, near the intersection of U.S. Highway 26 and Idaho 46, offering easy access from Shoshone and Wendell.

CORRECTION

Correction gave wrong days

A correction Saturday on a story about a victim apprehending a car theft suspect gave the wrong day the story was published. The story ran Friday and Twin Falls Police provided the correction Friday.

The Times-News regrets the errors.

# IPTV explains legislator appearances

A senator's question prompted Idaho Public Television to explain a little more in detail about informational spots with legislators in them — and take them off the air for now.

In a recent hearing at the Joint Finance-Appropriations Committee, Sen. Bert Brackett, R-Rogerson, asked IPTV General Manager Peter Morrill if a legislator's appearance on one of the spots might give them a political advantage.

Morrill, unsure which show Brackett was referring to at the time, did some checking around and discovered that the senator had seen a promotional spot with Rep. Sue Chew, D-Boise.

State funding didn't pay for the spots.

The spots, which also include participation from Rep. Maxine Bell, R-Jerome, were funded by the Corporation for Public Broadcasting and part of a national effort to show the value of public broadcasting, Morrill wrote in a follow-up letter to JFAC.

"They did not advocate for any funding proposal, only for the general public service that we provide," Morrill wrote in his letter. "To avoid any further confusion, I have instructed my staff to take these spots off the air during the legislative session."

The spots included other community members as well, not just legislators.

Bell said her spot was about the value of public television, noting that she was first filmed before the governor made any proposals about IPTV.

Chew said IPTV's role is crucial in keeping Idahoans connected to legislative issues through its filming and video streaming of the session.

Brackett stressing that he's not against public television, said it's important to be sure public funding doesn't pay for things that might have a political benefit to one individual or entity.

## LEGISLATIVE NOTEBOOK

Ben Botkin



### Bipartisan idea

Before the State Land Board voted this week to give public education \$22 million out of the Public Schools Earnings Reserve Account instead of Superintendent of Public Instruction Tom Luna's request for almost \$53 million, Rep. Wendy Jaquet, D-Ketchum, floated an idea to constituents in her weekly newsletter.

"If the land board is reluctant to part with \$53 million dollars for schools, how about half of it?" Jaquet wrote.

The land board's \$22 million came pretty close to half. When asked, Jaquet said none of the land board members talked to her about that idea. The board's members — all elected constitutional officers — live outside Jaquet's district, of course.

So this appears to be a case of Republican and Democrat minds thinking alike.

### Lost his voice

There was plenty of conversation on Thursday at the State Land Board meeting about tapping into the reserve fund for education. Attorney General Lawrence Wasden, though, was quiet, letting his chief deputy, Sherm Furey, talk for him.

"He lost his voice," said Bob Cooper, spokesman for Wasden.

It's actually not uncommon for elected officials to lose their voice, especially since the job can require a lot of speeches and talking. For example, in the 1992 presidential campaign, Bill Clinton had to take a break from speeches until his vocal cords healed. Early in his career, Clinton was an attorney general himself — in Arkansas. In Wasden's case, he managed to say one hoarse word when it came time to vote: "No."

# Doubts about adviser snag Americans in Haiti

By Dionisio Soldevila  
Associated Press writer

SANTO DOMINGO, Dominican Republic — Preparations for the provisional release of 10 Americans detained in Haiti on child kidnapping charges may be on hold after questions arose about a Dominican man who served as their legal adviser.

Officials in the Dominican Republic said Jorge Puello did not have a license to practice law in his native country, and The New York Times reported the Haitian judge might delay the group's release because of questions about the adviser's possible links to a human-trafficking case.

Puello has been a high-profile advocate for the jailed Baptists as they navigate the Haitian justice system. He also now is in apparent violation of Dominican law for failing to register with the local bar association or obtain a license, said Jose Parra, vice president of the Dominican Lawyers Association.

Parra said his organization was investigating the situation and might file a complaint with the Justice Department, which could pursue criminal charges.

Dominican Police Chief Rafael Guzman Fermin issued a statement on Saturday that Puello has no criminal record in the Dominican Republic, but is under investigation.

Puello declined to comment in a brief telephone interview on Friday, saying he would be busy in court representing a U.S. firm seeking to establish a business in the Dominican Republic. He could not be located in court and did not return later phone calls.

The Web site for Puello Consulting says it has offered "full legal services" for businesses in the Dominican Republic and elsewhere since 2005. The site was taken down Friday for unknown reasons.

The New York Times first reported that authorities in El Salvador are investigating whether Puello is a man suspected of leading a trafficking ring in that country involving Central American and Caribbean women and girls.

The newspaper reported that police said his picture appeared to match that of Jorge Torres Orellana, who is sought by Interpol on suspicion of crimes against children, people smuggling, trafficking and illegal immigration.

Puello denied any connection to trafficking in an interview with the newspaper and said he had never been to El Salvador.

Police Commissioner Howard Cotto, deputy director of investigations for the Salvadoran national police, told The Associated Press on Friday that authorities would need to compare fingerprints before they could determine if Puello was the man being investigated.



AP photo

Jorge Puello, left, a Dominican legal adviser who was hired by the relatives of the 10 Americans that were arrested while trying to bus children out of Haiti without proper documents or government permission, arrives at the court building in Port-au-Prince on Feb. 8. Dominican officials said Friday that Puello has no license to practice law in his native country.

Late Friday, the Times quoted Haitian Judge Bernard Saint-Vil as saying that before he can let the Americans out of jail he must learn more about Puello.

The judge previously recommended provisional release for the group while their case is investigated.

"I am working as fast as I can, but I must first understand Mr. Puello," the Times quoted the judge as saying Friday.

The Americans were detained in Haiti for allegedly trying to take 33 children out of the country without proper authorization following the country's Jan. 12 earthquake.

Although the judge has recommended provisional release for the Americans, all 10 remain jailed pending a response from the prosecutor. The prosecutor has said he will respond next week.

Puello had said last week that nine of the 10 were about to be released, and he told reporters Wednesday the Haitian court was going to drop all charges against his clients.

Sean Lankford of Meridian, whose wife and daughter are among those detained, said Puello provided his services for free.

"He's really shown himself

to be completely trustworthy, and I truly believe he has done everything to help our people and to help us," he said in a telephone interview from Idaho.

Lankford said Puello contacted relatives of the Americans to volunteer his services.

Lawyers for another of the detained Americans, Jim Allen of Amarillo, Texas, issued a statement saying

that Puello does not represent or speak for their client. They appealed to U.S. Secretary of State Hillary Rodham Clinton to personally intervene in the case.

The lawyers said Allen came to Haiti on two days' notice to help the country recover from the earthquake. "No one benefits from Jim languishing in difficult conditions in a Haitian prison," the statement said.

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under the influence, \$300 fine, \$90.50 costs, driver's license suspended two years, 22 months probation; 180 days jail, 178 suspended, two credited; driving without privileges amended to driving without privileges (third offense), \$1,500 fine suspended, \$90.50 costs, 365 days jail suspended, two credited; probation violation, 10 days jail, one credited; contempt of court, guilty; probation violation, two months probation.

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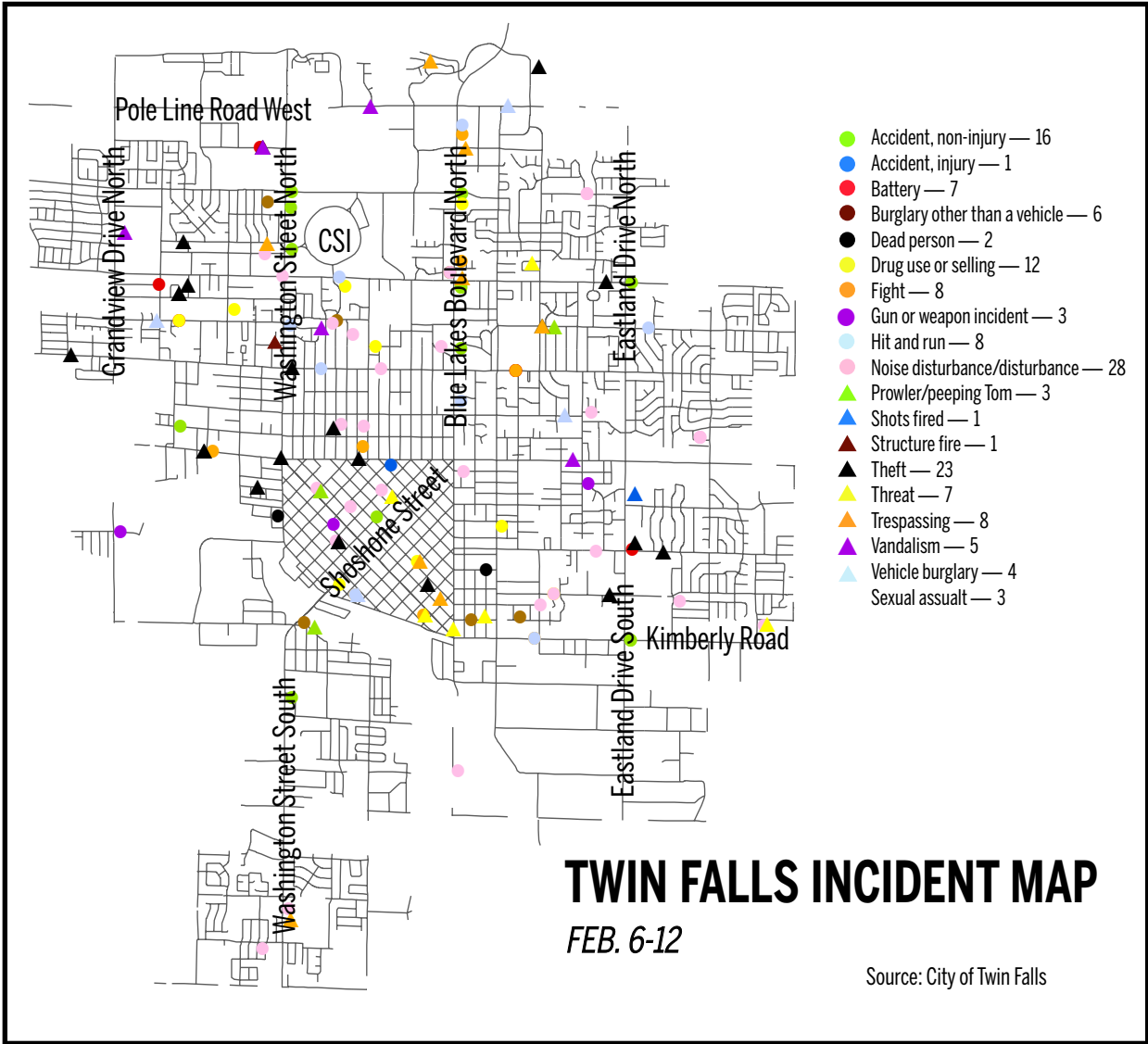
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From Jan. 23 police reports:

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A Burley male, 21, reported that he got into an argument with his girlfriend, also 21, and stayed at his mom's house the previous night. "When he returned today, he found candle wax and lotion on the kitchen floor," the report reads.

He added that "a lamp and 250 movies were missing from the residence," according to the report, and that several broken plates were also on the kitchen floor.

He pressed charges for the broken plates.

After his girlfriend was cited, the report notes, she said she's

"upset with him because he is never home to help her and is always partying with his cousin."


**Failure to appear:**  
A 49-year-old Albion man named Paschal Coggins Longaker Jr. reportedly showed up at the sheriff's office and turned himself in for a failure-to-appear warrant following his arrest last year for excessive driving under the influence.

"He said he got good and drunk before he came to the sheriff's office," the report reads, noting that the results of his blood-alcohol tests were .258 and .266.

— Damon Hunzeker

### WHERE'S CRUMP?

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



## IPTV

**Continued from Main 1**  
Valley. A system of 42 smaller translators sends the signal through rural areas, including Hagerman, Burley and Glenns Ferry.

"If this is passed and we are set on this course, we believe we can commit to keeping all five main transmitters up and operational for at least two years," Morrill said. "As we get into the second year we will do cost analysis."

Pledges will need to cover electrical equipment, a prorated portion of programming costs, and maintenance staff costs.

Changes could put programs such as "Outdoor Idaho" and "Idaho Reports" at risk, or pare them back extensively. There also would be less money for British comedies, dramas and musical shows that supplement IPTV's lineup.

"Based on our initial calculations, we think there is sufficient base population in the Treasure Valley, eastern Idaho, Coeur d'Alene-Spokane," Morrill said. "We are less confident about Twin Falls and Moscow."

The biggest concern is Moscow, because the size of its transmitter requires more electricity. Moscow is followed by Twin Falls, though. IPTV will look at the ZIP codes of contributions to see if each region's donations are supporting its transmitter.

As for the system of repeaters, the technology that sends signals into rural areas, IPTV will have to stop servicing them if the plan goes forward.

"We do not see a business model for maintaining in a cost-effective manner the vast majority of those," Morrill said. As a result, service to those regions would end once the translators break down, providing an uncertain date for when viewers can expect their screens to go dark.

"It could be tomorrow," Morrill said of that scenario. "It could be two months from now. They will just stop operating."

### Fundraising challenges

Fundraising, already a regular event for IPTV, isn't expected to increase enough to fill a \$1.6 million hole.

In the world of public television, about 10 to 15 percent of market households tend to donate. IPTV receives donations from more than 15 percent, already outperforming its peers, Morrill said.

"We do not see any substantial new sources of funds sitting out there that we have not already explored," he said. "We're not seeing the potential there. ... Now are we going to see small increases? That's possible, but not to this type of degree."

The station can't charge for its signals, air commercials or gather fees for airing infomercials.

"The box that we live in is extremely limited," Morrill said. "We're a public service. We can't be anything other than a public service."

At the same time, foundation giving on a national level is decreasing. IPTV expects a drop in support from foundations that help pay for programming and production.

Boise resident Jim Paxton, also the owner of Snake River Pool & Spa in Twin Falls, sits on the Board of Directors for Friends of Idaho Public Television. If IPTV loses state funding, he said, it also loses its ability to operate statewide. Using their money — not tax dollars — the board's members have sent letters to IPTV viewers to raise awareness. There's also a Web site to boost awareness about the issue.

"It reaches all facets of age groups from the young children watching 'Sesame Street' to 'Antiques Roadshow,'" Paxton said, adding that he appreciates lawmakers and the governor listening to their concerns.

### Tuned in to tight cuts

Cuts aren't new to IPTV, which saw state funding slashed from \$3.2 million in 2009 to \$1.6 million this year. When Otter's office sent out a request in September for agencies to review general funds for possible reductions, IPTV management said it couldn't happen without a major impact.

"With budget cuts last fiscal year and in the FY10 base, we can make no further reductions in costs without significant reduction in services and the ability to respond to our constituents," Morrill wrote in a Sept. 18, 2009, memo to the State Board of Education. "We regret that we are unable to voluntarily reduce our General Fund appropriation without significantly impacting the viewers we serve."

Later that month, as part of a holdback proposal across state agencies, IPTV's share was 7.5 percent, or \$124,500. As a result, IPTV laid off two employees, froze a third open position, and added a fifth furlough day for its employees.

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Ricardo Ochoa, left, and Hank Nystrom edit video for Idaho Public Television's 'Idaho Reports' on Feb. 4.

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Morrill said no suggestions were given at the time because cuts couldn't be made without layoffs.

Sen. Dean Cameron, R-Rupert, and co-chairman of the Joint Finance Appropriations Committee, said IPTV has to be part of the cuts after a decline in revenues.

"They will see a reduction like everybody else," he said.

But he added that JFAC's role is to set the next year's budget, not pass a plan for IPTV's funding for the next three years, like what is outlined in Otter's four-year plan. Any move to end all state funding would be a policy decision not made in JFAC, he said.

Rep. Wendy Jaquet, D-Ketchum, said rather than cut all state funding in four years, she said the best thing is to cut a percentage of IPTV's budget that mirrors what other state agencies will face. She's also encouraging her constituents to donate more to IPTV.

Sen. Bert Brackett, R-Rogerson, said IPTV funding has to be balanced with crucial budget needs facing the state, ranging from education to corrections.

At the same time, he said, it's important to maintain some level of general-fund

support for IPTV to help preserve legislative oversight of the agency.

IPTV would also need to pay back the federal government for grants used on equipment no longer in use.

"We are estimating we will have to pay back the federal government \$1 (million) to \$2 million worth of funds because when they give you money you guarantee to operate it and maintain it according to the original grant," Morrill said. "We would have to go through 10 years worth of grants to notify all those federal agencies that the equipment they helped pay for isn't being maintained anymore."

### Clicking off state support

In the debate, Oregon Public Broadcasting has been praised as a system that does well without a strong reliance on state dollars.

"Oregon Public Broadcasting broadcasts in a neighboring state that is practicing some of what the governor has suggested in Idaho," Hanian said. "Each state is different, and we are not suggesting OPB be used as the sole model IPTV should follow. We are not trying to dictate what model they follow. However the governor has made it clear

that there are public television operations that have already eased their burden on state general fund expenditures."

However, IPTV officials and station managers from other Western states say Oregon's larger population gives OPB an advantage. Oregon has about 3.7 million people, while Idaho has roughly 1.5 million.

Becky Chinn, communications director of OPB, said the state's population helps fundraising efforts rural communities can't cover on their own.

In 2002, OPB lost its state funding, which was about 10 percent of its budget. Staff was cut along with a Friday night public-affairs program. At the same time, OPB took steps to inform the public about the funding loss. Now OPB gets only \$62,500 from the state.

"We built a lot of awareness with our audience about the fact that the funding is gone," Chinn said.

### Small-state squeeze

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# Windy Wyoming debates excise tax for wind energy

By Matt Joyce  
Associated Press writer

CHEYENNE, Wyo. — A proposal in Wyoming to impose the nation's first state excise tax on wind energy production is generating debate over how the state should handle the arrival of massive wind farms to its wind-swept plains and plateaus.

Gov. Dave Freudenthal made the wind energy tax a centerpiece of his legislative agenda, drawing surprise and alarm from some in the state's fledgling wind industry. The proposal cleared its first hurdle Thursday when the state House voted to introduce the bill.

Freudenthal said wind can be a beneficial industry for Wyoming, but doesn't deserve special treatment.

"It can help keep people in agriculture. It can help people have jobs, and hopefully it can lead to some manufacturing facilities in the state," he said. "Having said all that, they are not entitled to a free ride. This is the first opportunity that this state has had in my lifetime to actually diversify its tax base."

The Wyoming tax proposal contradicts what most states are doing to compete for renewable energy industries. They are offering tax breaks or incentives, according to national wind and solar

energy associations.

"It is very disturbing to hear that one of the great states for resources wants to tax the industry and discourage the development of jobs in their state," said Denise Bode, head of the American Wind Energy Association.

Supporters of the tax proposal say the wind industry is already subsidized by the federal government. Serious developers won't be discouraged by the tax, supporters argue, and the state and counties need revenue to handle industrial scale wind development.

"I appreciate the fact that people can say it has great environmental benefits, but that's people who don't live next to them, or who's wildlife habitat isn't being disrupted, or the bird population isn't being affected, or whose view isn't being altered," Freudenthal said.

The proposal would impose a \$3 per megawatt hour excise tax on commercial wind energy generation, which works out to a roughly 5 percent tax. Revenues would be split 60-40 between the state and counties where turbines are located.

The governor's office estimated

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— Wyoming Gov. Dave Freudenthal

the tax would raise about \$11.5 million annually at existing production rates.

As a coal, natural gas and uranium state, Wyoming is accustomed to dealing with energy industries but is figuring out how to govern the influx of developers hoping to harness its wind to export green energy to populous markets in the west and southwest.

Wyoming's wind energy generation capacity nearly quadrupled in 2008 and 2009, pushing the state to about 1,100 megawatts, the American Wind Energy Association says. The state ranks 12th in the nation for its existing wind capacity and seventh in potential capacity, according to the association.

Legislators have introduced a handful of proposals to strengthen state and county oversight of the wind industry, but the tax bill is the most politically contentious.

Ed Werner, chairman of the

county commission in Converse County, the state's leading wind energy producer, said he supports a wind tax but worries the governor's proposal could be too much for wind developers in the early stages of a project. He prefers phasing in a production tax once a farm is operating.

"Even though it definitely comes back to benefit us in our hometowns and counties, if you run them all off, there's nothing to share," he said.

With the sunset of a sales tax exemption at the end of this year, Wyoming will have no tax incentives for wind development. The industry will be subject to a 6 percent sales tax and 11.5 percent property tax. Wyoming has no income tax.

The Wyoming Power Producers Coalition, a group of 14 independent wind developers, argues that Wyoming is already at a competitive disadvantage because of its tax burden and vast distance from markets. The excise tax would only make the state more inhospitable, the group says.

Most surrounding states offer wind developers some sort of

incentive, such as sales tax exemptions for turbines in Colorado and Utah.

"We have some majorly grave concerns about the enormity of the (excise) tax," said Cheryl Riley, the group's executive director. "We think that the potential for wind to bring substantial wealth to the state is great, and we think that this sends a really negative message to developers."

All sides in the debate agree that it's hard to compare wind with mineral resources.

As a renewable resource, wind isn't subject to severance tax and wind farms don't have ongoing fuel costs. Wind farms have large capital costs — an estimated \$2- to \$4 million per turbine — and take a heavy hit upfront on sales taxes.

Rob Hurlless, an energy adviser in the governor's office, said Wyoming's resource industries are too different to try to apply numerical tax comparisons. The excise tax proposal is an attempt to set a reasonable rate for the wind industry's participation in the state economy, he said.

"In a way we are breaking ground and we understand that, but we also want to say, 'OK how do you do this in a way that people participate in a fair way relative to other economic activities in the state?'" he said.



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The sun sets behind the Happy Jack Wind Farm east of Cheyenne, Wyo., on Jan. 19. Wyoming's House of Representatives has voted to introduce a bill that would impose an excise tax on wind energy generation.

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## Commercial real estate looks to banks to reverse declining values

By Joshua Palmer  
Times-News writer

Commercial real estate in south-central Idaho has lost some of its value as part of the lingering recession, forcing many property owners to lower rental rates and sales prices, say local banking officials and commercial real estate agents.

Rental rates for retail and office space in Twin Falls, Burley and Jerome declined between 10 percent and 15 percent from 2007 to 2009, according to two major real estate agencies in south-central Idaho. But vacancy rates continue to hover between 15 and 20 percent — far higher than the 8 percent maximum vacancy rate considered “stable” in places like Twin Falls.

Commercial real estate agents say the only way out is for banks to start lending to businesses again.

“We can’t grow as a region or even a nation until banks start lending, especially in Twin Falls where we have so many mom-and-pop businesses,” said Janet Russell, commercial and residential property Realtor with Canyonside Irwin Realty. “Right now we have weak property fundamentals like reduced rents and declined value because credit is still pretty tight, which impacts supply and demand.”

Steve DiLucca, president of Westerra Real Estate, who specializes in commercial and investment real estate, said that “financing is key to growth.”

But banks are reluctant to invest in something that is being labeled by some as the “next shoe to drop.”

Nationwide the default rate on commercial mortgages held by banks more than doubled to 3.4 percent in the third quarter of 2009, according to the most recent report by Real Estate Econometrics, a property research firm in New York. Default rates in the first three quarters of 2009 have been the highest since 1993, according to the firm.

Officials with banks based in south-central Idaho, which are typically more conservative in lending practices, and have largely avoided ballooning default rates, say they will continue cautious evaluation of each commercial loan.

“Banking regulators have put out guidance, counseling banks to not have too

much in commercial real estate and to keep things diversified,” said Jason Meyerhoeffer, executive vice president and loan administrator at First Federal Savings Bank of Twin Falls. “That doesn’t mean banks have stopped making those loans, it just means that they will be looking closer at a business’ cash flow to determine how established the business is.”

Before the recession struck in the last half of 2007, many large investment banks offered commercial real estate loans that financed up to 80 percent of the purchase price — some even offered 100 percent financing. But following the downturn and the ensuing collapse in real estate values,

most banks would only cover up to 70 percent of the loan.

“If there is anything that this market has shown us, it’s that values can come down,” Meyerhoeffer said. “With no collateral or equity, banks will absorb those losses.”

Fed officials stepped up reviews of commercial real estate loans at banks last year. The Fed is focusing on banks smaller than the 19 largest lenders examined in May. Those institutions held assets exceeding \$100 billion. Banks and investors held about \$3.5 trillion of commercial real estate debt in June 2009, with about \$1.7 trillion of that total on the books of banks and thrifts, according to Fed data. About \$500 billion of the loans will mature each year over the next few years, Fed officials say.

In the end, the cards are not stacked in favor of the small business owner or entrepreneur seeking to rent or by commercial space.

The good news, said Russell, who recently sold the Centre Pointe Plaza at 1111 Blue Lakes Blvd., is that commercial real estate values in south-central Idaho may have already hit bottom.

“My sense is that we are on the road to recovery,” she said. “But larger facilities like the former Rite Aid and

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### TAXES SPECIAL EDITION

**Editor's note:** Congress approved hundreds of changes to tax laws in 2009 — some that could increase individual refunds by more than a thousand dollars. But knowing how to maneuver the changes is also more complicated. This is the second of a three-week series that gives readers insight into these changes.



## Helping the taxpayer help the economy

Recent changes to stimulate economy could put cash in your pocket

By Carole Feldman  
Associated Press writer

The deep recession that hung over the nation in 2009 has led to new tax credits and deductions — attempts by Congress to boost consumer spending and get the economy moving again.

These, along with increases in the standard deduction, personal exemption and alternative minimum tax exemption, may bring a little extra cash to some people during these economic hard times.

Lawmakers tried to aid the ailing auto industry by producing a new deduction for sales and excise taxes incurred in the purchase of a new car. That's on top of the Cash for Clunkers program, which brought hundreds of thousands of people into auto showrooms around the country.

To assist the troubled housing market, the first-time homebuyers credit was expanded to include a new, smaller credit for long-time homeowners who buy and move to another residence. The National Association of Realtors estimated that about 4.4 million people already have or will claim the credits before they expire.

And to put a little more money in consumers' wallets, the Making Work Pay tax credit kicked in last spring. Tax withholding tables were revised downward to give individuals up to \$400 and couples up to \$800. The result: more take-home pay for about 95 percent of working families.

There's a catch, though.

People with more than one job, couples in which both spouses work and some Social Security recipients may have received too much of a credit because of the way the program was set up. “It may wind up that they owe taxes or the big refund they expected might not be as big as they thought,” said

Barbara Weltman, author of J.K. Lasser's “1001 Deductions and Tax Breaks 2010” and “Small Business Taxes 2010.”

Taxpayers have a new form, Schedule M, to claim the credit. However, like other changes to tax-rate brackets and personal exemptions, most workers already are seeing its benefits in their take-home pay. Weltman said the form isn't that complicated. “The shock is going to be whether you owe more than you think,” she said.

The Treasury Department's inspector general for tax administration estimated that more than 15 million people could be affected. The extra tax bill could be up to \$400 for individuals or couples or \$250 for Social Security recipients.

So why give people the money in the form of lower withholding if there's a chance the government will take it back?

“I think at the time we were just more concerned about getting the money into the hands of Americans who needed it the most, and do it quickly,” said Amy McAnarney, executive director of the Tax Institute at H&R Block. “There are always going to be exceptions.”

By the same token, the Internal Revenue Service says some taxpayers whose withholding was at or near zero may not have benefited from the credit during 2009. These people are predominantly low- or moderate-income workers.

McAnarney said it's important that people review their withholdings for 2010 because the tax credit will still be in effect.

Schedule M isn't the only new form for the 2009 tax year.

People who don't itemize their deductions are entitled to take a standard deduction. For 2009, it's \$11,400 for married couples filing jointly, \$5,700 for individuals and \$8,350 for heads of households. As in the past, the standard deduction is bigger for people who are blind or 65 or older. If that's all you're

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## What a monster winter storm tells us about our broken politics

Here's a little thought experiment:

You're sitting at home for the third straight day, unable to get to work because of the snow. Your kids are on the fourth day of a snow vacation that is likely to last through the end of the week. How much would you have been willing to pay to guarantee that the streets and sidewalks were clear and things could have run pretty much as normal? \$10? \$25? \$50?

Or imagine that you own a business with 50 employ-



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ees that is closed for three days because of the snow, but you still have to pay \$30,000 in salaries for work they didn't do. What would you have been willing to pay to have things running normally this week? \$1,000? \$2,500? \$5,000?

My guess is that, given the benefit of hindsight and several days of house arrest,

“snow insurance” sounds tempting.

Now imagine that the mayor of the District of Columbia and the governors of Maryland and Virginia got together and declared that in our interdependent 21st-century regional economy, there is no reason less than a foot of snow should be allowed to disrupt work and school, and no reason anything more than a foot shouldn't be cleaned up within 36 hours. To pay for the extra manpower and equipment, the politicians proposed raising taxes and

fees by an average of \$25 per household each year, and \$2,500 for the average business.

Although the politicians' offer would be the effective equivalent of “snow insurance,” I can assure you that the reaction to it would be quite different. Republicans would immediately call it “the biggest tax increase in history” and declare unequivocally that it would send the economy into a tailspin while radically expanding the government. Chambers of commerce would issue news releases warning that

the tax would particularly hurt small-business owners, who as we all know create every new job and would now be forced to cut their payrolls or close their doors.

It is a measure of the dysfunction of our political system that we can no longer rationally debate whether it is penny-wise and pound-foolish not to spend a little more to try to keep the Capital of the Free World from grinding to a halt every time a snowflake descends from the heavens.

I realize there are lots of problems that cannot be

solved just by throwing money at them, but snow removal is not one of them. We have the know-how, we have the technology and we have the money and economic self-interest to do it right. What we don't seem to have is the leadership or political will.

Stephen Fuller, an economist at George Mason University, had it wrong when he told The Washington Post this week that there is little ultimate economic cost when

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# YOUR BUSINESS

## CAREER MOVES

### RICHIE GETS CERTIFICATION



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Mr. Steam's Valley Steam and the Institute of Inspection, Cleaning and Restoration Certification are proud to announce that Brian S. Richie has completed and received his certification in stone, masonry and ceramic tile. He holds multiple other certifications, as well as the Master Rug Cleaner Certification, which few people nationwide hold. Brian and his wife, Kelly Ritchie, owners of Mr. Steam's Valley Steam Carpet Clean, provide carpet cleaning, but also a diversified service of tile and natural stone care, marble polishing, and hardwood floor cleaning and recoating. Brian and Kelly welcome the public to stop by and see them at the Home and Garden Show this week in the CSI Eldon Evans Expo Center.

### Mandi Riddle and Tawni Wooten

The Wooten/Riddle real estate team of Prudential Idaho Homes & Properties has been named to the prestigious Honor Society for 2009 by Prudential Real Estate Affiliates, Inc., a Prudential Financial, Inc. company. The award recognizes residential sales professionals who exemplified great sales measures in closed residential GCI and commercial GCI units for the year. In addition to receiving this award, The Wooten/Riddle real estate team also received the Sales Professional Award for the first and second quarter 2009. Tawni Wooten is an associate broker, relocation certified and holds the GRI designation. Mandi Riddle is certified in relocation, interior design, and has an associates degree in computer graphic design. They specialize in residential properties, vacant land, development, new construction, commercial and investment properties, as well as farms and ranches. Tawni and Mandi can be reached at 539-1230 or [mandi@prudential-idahohomes.com](mailto:mandi@prudential-idahohomes.com).



Wooten



Riddle

### Kate Woods and Rae Jean Larsen

Kate Woods, the career readiness facilitator at the College of Southern Idaho, was recently awarded the 2009 CSI Professional Employee of the Year by CSI's Professional and Classified Employee organization. Woods has worked at CSI for three years and was nominated by her peers for the enthusiasm and cheer she shares with students and co-workers. She received a \$1,000 stipend and additional training of her choice.



Woods

Rae Jean Larsen, student services specialist in the College of Southern Idaho's Health Sciences and Human Services departments, was recently awarded the 2009 CSI Classified Employee of the Year by CSI's Professional and Classified Employee organization. Larsen has worked at the college for 11 years and was nominated by her peers for her patience, understanding, and professional skills in dealing with students, instructors and the public. She received a \$1,000 stipend and additional training of her choice.



Larsen

## MILESTONES

### ANYTIME FITNESS



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The Twin Falls Chamber Ambassadors cut the red ribbon celebrating the grand opening of Anytime Fitness in the Lynwood Shopping Center, at 562 Blue Lakes Blvd. N., Twin Falls. They are a new business in Twin Falls and a new member of the chamber. Anytime Fitness is open 24 hours a day, seven days a week, 365 days a year. Their center is staffed from 8 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday through Friday and on Saturday 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Their weight training equipment is all made by Nautilus. Along with the circuit training there is an area of free weights, benches and barbells. Their business number is 736-3881 or visit them at [www.anytimefitness.com](http://www.anytimefitness.com). Center, from left: Running man, Carl Weeks, Paula Weeks (holding Zander Weeks) and Kya Weeks, standing in front.

### New Farmer's Insurance in Twin Falls

A new Farmer's Insurance opened in Twin Falls, located at 356 2nd Ave. N. The agency is a branch of Farmer's Insurance that offers auto, home, life and business insurance. The office officially opened on Feb. 2, but a grand opening is scheduled for a later date. The business number is 733-7360.

## CONTRIBUTION

### ST. LUKE'S MAGIC VALLEY SCHOLARSHIPS



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St. Luke's Magic Valley Health Foundation recently awarded 10 scholarships totaling \$9,000 to spring college students working to advance their education in health care, at a presentation held Jan. 20. Five registered nursing students were awarded clinical student scholarships: Stephanie Duff, Amy Sturgeon Patricia Blay, Jannette Olson and Leanne Yragui. Two radiology technicians, Ashlee Frahm and Robin Winkle, were also recipients of funding, and they will begin their careers at St. Luke's Magic Valley upon attaining their degrees. From the Employee Endowment Fund, eight students were awarded grants: Michelle Daniel, Teresa Magnusson, Kim Stoddard, Mike Sleep, Stacie Bosen, Krystal Derricott, Dori Hulme and Karissa Sears. For more information about scholarship opportunities, becoming involved, or to make a gift in support of health care education, contact Larry W. Baxter, CFRE, foundation executive director, at [larryb@mvrmc.org](mailto:larryb@mvrmc.org) or the foundation office at 737-2480.

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Cains building will sit for a longer period of time on the market."

DiLucca, who recently closed a deal to lease the former Rex electronics store on Blue Lakes Boulevard to Harbor Freight Tools, and another property to Tacoma Screw Products Inc., said size will not keep a property on the market longer. He said location will be the driver in commercial real estate sales.

A proposed change to the U.S. Small Business Administration's 504 loan program may also provide some relief to depressed commercial real estate values in south-central Idaho.

The SBA said the proposed change would help business owners refinance loans that cover leases and payments on storefronts and other commercial property. Currently, 504 loans cannot refinance

debt that is coming due.

Brent Jussel, senior vice president of Business Lending Solutions, said the expansion of SBA's program to include refinancing for owner-occupied commercial real estate loans is the most significant change for businesses in south-central Idaho.

"This is a big deal because at the moment many lenders are somewhat reluctant to go out and finance these loans," Jussel said.

Lenders that are refinancing existing customers would make a loan of up to 70 percent of the current property value; and SBA would finance the remaining 20 percent. But only businesses with a loan maturing in the next year, and who are current on loan payments, will be eligible.

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everyone misses a week of work or school unnecessarily. Yes, it is true that many retail stores make up the lost sales before and after a storm, but that represents only a small portion of the region's output. Many people who get paid by the hour can't make up for lost work. And many more people continue to be paid for work that is never done, which never quite gets factored into the models that purport to measure economic output.

Let's do a little back-of-the-envelope calculation. Our regional output is about \$400 billion per year. Let's say, conservatively, that in an average year, we lose two working days to inadequate snow removal. Allowing for the fact that some people actually work on those days, let's put lost output at \$4 billion (two days at \$2 billion). Let's assume that with lost output, there is forgone household income and business profits of \$2 billion. And let's further assume that 5 percent of that forgone income and profit — \$100 million — would have made its way to state and local governments and agencies in taxes, tolls and fees.

Given that, wouldn't it make sense to spend an additional \$50 million to \$75 million — on top of the roughly \$100 million we already spend on snow removal — to avoid those two lost days? Having that extra capacity would not only pay for itself, but also have the salutary effect of improving the region's economic climate, boosting the educational

achievement of students and enhancing the productivity of all salaried workers, including those in the federal government.

Nor would it necessarily take \$75 million. There are more effective ways to expand snow-removal capacity than simply hiring more drivers and buying more trucks, particularly if governments are open to more citizen involvement. Local governments could provide neighborhood groups with snow blowers that trained residents could use to clear sidewalks, alleys and parked cars, or small plows that volunteers could attach to their trucks to remove snow from side streets and school parking lots. More sophisticated computer systems could allow public works managers to make better use of GPS, satellite images, the Internet and social networks to get help to where it is most needed and squeeze greater productivity from existing equipment. And instead of waiting a week for government employees or contractors to dig out school buses, counties could get it done in a day by putting out a call for volunteers to homebound parents and students.

Our snow blindness is a metaphor for the tyranny of diminished expectations that has taken hold in American politics and government. Anyone who tells you this is the way it has to be is either a liar or a coward, or suffers from a stunning lack of imagination.

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## Expert: Spies can get around security chip in PCs

By Jordan Robertson  
Associated Press writer

SAN FRANCISCO — Deep inside millions of business and household computers is a digital Fort Knox, a special chip with the locks to highly guarded secrets, including classified government reports and confidential business plans. Now a former U.S. Army computer-security specialist has devised a way to break those locks.

The attack can force heavily secured computers to spill documents that likely were presumed to be safe. This discovery shows one way that spies and other richly financed attackers can acquire military and trade secrets, and comes as worries about state-sponsored computer espionage intensify, underscored by recent hacking attacks on Google Inc.

The new attack discovered by Christopher Tarnovsky is difficult to pull off, partly because it requires physical access to a computer. But laptops and smart phones get lost and stolen all the time. And the data that the most dangerous computer criminals would seek likely would be worth the expense

of an elaborate espionage operation.

Jeff Moss, founder of the Black Hat security conference and a member of the U.S. Department of Homeland Security's advisory council, called Tarnovsky's finding "amazing."

"It's sort of doing the impossible," Moss said. "This is a lock on Pandora's box. And now that he's pried open the lock, it's like, ooh, where does it lead you?"

Tarnovsky figured out a way to break chips that carry a "Trusted Platform Module," or TPM, designation by essentially spying on them like a phone conversation. Such chips are billed as the industry's most secure and are estimated to be in as many as 100 million personal computers and servers, according to market research firm IDC.

When activated, the chips provide an additional layer of security by encrypting, or scrambling, data to prevent outsiders from viewing information on the machines. An extra password or identification such as a fingerprint is needed when the machine is turned on.

Many computers sold to businesses and consumers

have such chips, though users might not turn them on. Users are typically given the choice to turn on a TPM chip when they first use a computer with it. If they ignore the offer, it's easy to forget the feature exists. However, computers needing the most security typically have TPM chips activated.

"You've trusted this chip to hold your secrets, but your secrets aren't that safe," said Tarnovsky, 38, who runs the Flylogic security consultancy in Vista, Calif., and demonstrated his hack last week at the Black Hat security conference in Arlington, Va.

The chip Tarnovsky hacked is a flagship model from Infineon Technologies AG, the top maker of TPM chips. And Tarnovsky says the technique would work on the entire family of Infineon chips based on the same design. That includes non-TPM chips used in satellite TV equipment, Microsoft Corp.'s Xbox 360 game console and smart phones.

That means his attack could be used to pirate satellite TV signals or make Xbox peripherals, such as handheld controllers, without paying Microsoft a licensing

fee, Tarnovsky said. Microsoft confirmed its Xbox 360 uses Infineon chips, but would only say that "unauthorized accessories that circumvent security protocols are not certified to meet our safety and compliance standards."

The technique can also be used to tap text messages and e-mail belonging to the user of a lost or stolen phone. Tarnovsky said he can't be sure, however, whether his attack would work on TPM chips made by companies other than Infineon.

Infineon said it knew this type of attack was possible when it was testing its chips. But the company said independent tests determined that the hack would require such a high skill level that there was a limited chance of it affecting many users.

"The risk is manageable, and you are just attacking one computer," said Joerg Borchert, vice president of Infineon's chip card and security division. "Yes, this can be very valuable. It depends on the information that is stored. But that's not our task to manage. This gives a certain strength, and it's better than an unprotected computer without encryption."

# COMING UP

FEB. 21:

- **Looking ahead** — It's not too early to start thinking about your 2010 taxes. Some of the credits and deductions put in place last year will continue. Others won't. And there are some new things to consider.
- **Estate planning** — The changes to the capital gains tax may have reduced the amount you pay on the sale of your estate, but it also means your inheritors will pay a hefty price.

## Free tax preparation in south-central Idaho

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## Changes

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claiming for your standard deduction, there are no extra forms to file. The IRS predicts that the majority of those claiming the standard deduction will fall into this category.

Tax law changes passed by Congress in 2009 allow some taxpayers to increase their standard deduction even more, by adding to it the property taxes they paid, their sales or excise taxes on the purchase of a new car, or net federal disaster losses. “There’s nothing standard about the standard deduction any more,” Weltman said.

That’s where the new Schedule L comes in. Taxpayers will have to file the new form to claim the higher standard deduction.

“You now have a full-page schedule that you have to figure out for your standard deduction,” said Jeff Schnepfer, MSN tax expert. “If you’re not using a computer program, you’re lost — you have no idea.”

Homeowners can increase their standard deduction by a maximum \$1,000 for joint filers or \$500 for individuals if they paid state or local real estate taxes. The home has to be used for personal use. Business properties don’t qualify.

And many people who bought a new car, truck, motorcycle or motor home after Feb. 16, 2009, can add the sales or excise tax they paid to the standard deduction, provided that the vehicle cost less than \$49,500. The deduction begins phasing out for individuals with incomes above \$125,000 or joint filers earning more than \$250,000. If you bought a used car or leased a car, you’re out of luck. The deduction only applies to new vehicle purchases.

Those who itemize deductions also may qualify for the motor vehicle sales tax deduction — provided they meet the income limitations.

The sales tax deduction is separate from Cash for Clunkers, which gave people rebates if they traded in cars for more fuel-efficient ones. The government estimated that nearly 700,000 people

turned in gas guzzlers under the program in exchange for rebates of \$3,500 or \$4,500. If you did get a rebate, it’s not taxable income.

“If you bought a car under the Cash for Clunkers program, now you can also deduct the sales tax,” McAnarney said.

Add to that the credit for certain hybrid models, and 2009 shaped up as a good time to buy a car.

In another of Congress’ attempts to use tax laws to fight recession, homebuyer tax credits have helped raise sales of new and existing homes.

There actually are three versions of the credit. If you were a first-time homebuyer in 2008, the credit actually was a long-term loan that has to be repaid over 15 years. For first-time home buyers in 2009, the credit was a true credit; it doesn't have to be repaid. And long-time homeowners who purchased a home on or after Nov. 6 are eligible for a smaller credit.

The credits expire April 30, 2010. “As long as you have a binding contract by that date you can still get the credit if you close by June 30, 2010,” said Mark Luscombe, principal analyst for CCH’s tax and accounting.

Because of the potential for fraud, the IRS is putting in place new systems to verify claims to the homebuyers credit. The agency expects to begin processing tax returns claiming the credit in mid-February, after testing is completed. “Some of these early taxpayers claiming the homebuyer credit may see tax refunds take an additional two to three weeks,” the agency said.

Congress also created the American opportunity education credit. The credit of up to \$2,500 for college expenses is an expanded version of the Hope credit, available to students for the first four years of college instead of just the first two. Although the credit still phases out at higher incomes, those limits are higher than under Hope.

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# Make energy improvements to boost your tax credits

By Carole Feldman  
Associated Press writer

WASHINGTON — Making energy efficient improvements to your home will do more than reduce your energy costs — they’ll also reduce your tax bill.

The tax credit for energy-efficient windows or doors, air conditioners or furnaces, or other energy-saving improvements disappeared in 2008, but returned for 2009 and 2010 — at an even higher value. This is one case where procrastination paid off.

Under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009, homeowners who made the improvements are eligible for a credit equal to 30 percent of the cost, up to a maximum credit of \$1,500.

To get the maximum credit, a taxpayer would have to pay \$5,000 on energy efficiency improvements. The previous maximum had been \$500. The good news for homeowners is that they can claim the new credit even if they had taken the old one.

“You get a clean start

with this one,” said Mark Luscombe, principal analyst for CCH’s tax and accounting group.

To qualify, the improvements must have been made during 2009 — or 2010 if you’re going to claim them the following year. There is no income limit for the credit, and limits on individual items are gone. That means, for example, you can claim the full credit for windows, Luscombe said.

But there’s a catch. “Homeowners should be aware that the standards in the new law are higher than the standards for the credit that was available in 2007,” the Internal Revenue Service said. The IRS cautioned that not all products that carry the Energy Department’s Energy Star label qualify.

So how do you know if the furnace or hot water heater you purchased is eligible?

It’s up to the manufacturer to certify that the product qualifies. The IRS recommends that taxpayers keep a copy of the certification statement.

Homeowners who

choose alternative energy could be in for a bigger tax credit.

There’s a 30 percent tax credit with no maximum for homeowners who install solar water heaters, geothermal heat pumps or small wind turbines. The credit also applies to site preparation and installation.

If you want to claim the credits, you’ll have to file Form 5695.

The tax credits for energy efficient home improvements are in addition to those for purchasing certain hybrid or alternative energy vehicles. The credit begins phasing out after the manufacturer sells 60,000 hybrids.

For 2009 model year cars, manufacturers that had hybrids still eligible for the credit are Cadillac, Chevrolet, Chrysler, Dodge, Ford, GMC, Mazda, Mercury, Nissan and Saturn. For the 2010 model year, the list includes hybrids manufactured by Cadillac, Chevrolet, Ford, GMC, Mercury, Mercedes-Benz and Nissan.

There are new tax credits for plug-in electric vehicles.

# 90-day forecast: Some snow will fall. This savings rate will not.

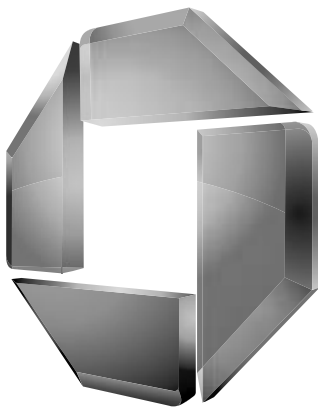
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# Walls of water overwhelm surfing contest

Surfers, spectators caught off guard in N. California

By Paul Elias  
Associated Press writer

HALF MOON BAY, Calif. — Despite big wave warnings, two walls of water caught dozens of spectators off-guard and knocked them to a rocky beach as they watched a Northern California surfing contest Saturday, leaving some with broken bones but sparing them from being pulled into the ocean.

Thirteen people swept from a seawall had significant injuries, including broken legs and hands, said California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection Battalion Chief Scott Jalbert. He reduced the official count from the 15 reported earlier in the day but said others treated at the beach for injuries such as scrapes and bruises were not included in the total. At least three of the injured were taken to hospitals.

Jalbert estimated “a couple hundred” people were on the seawall at the southern tip of Mavericks Beach when the



AP photo

Bystanders scramble as a rogue wave washes over the beach during the Mavericks Surfing Contest on Saturday at Pillar Point, Calif.

waves struck, upstaging the surfing competition that draws some of the world's top surfers.

The waves were 5 feet to 6 feet high by the time they hit — “small but strong,” he said. “Nobody was swept away into the water. They were just

swept onto the beach area pretty hard,” Jalbert said. “It's pretty rocky.”

Additional firefighters had been on the way to clear the beach because of dangerous conditions but arrived too late, he said.

Only after the unexpected

large waves swept in during high tide did the National Weather Service post a high surf warning until 10 p.m. Saturday. The agency previously posted a less severe high surf advisory.

“It's a force of nature that can't be predicted,” Jalbert

said. “We were very lucky that nobody was swept out to sea.”

The surfing contest offers a \$150,000 purse, making it the most lucrative big-wave contest in the world, even though it is held only when conditions are prime.

Competitors voted to schedule it because forecasts called for record-breaking tall waves, despite warnings that strong winds could make those breakers dangerously unpredictable.

Chris Bertish, who traveled 21 hours from his South Africa home, won the contest. He had just 48 hours notice that huge waves were breaking off the coast and the Mavericks Surf Contest was on. Second place went to Shane Desmond of Santa Cruz.

The other winners were: Anthony Tashnick, Santa Cruz, third place; Dave Wessel, Kailua, Hawaii, fourth; Carlos Burke, Burle, Brazil, fifth; and Kenny Collins, Santa Cruz, sixth.

The two surprise waves knocked out barricades, a spectator platform and a large scaffold holding speakers broadcasting the contest, held in this tiny harbor town 25 miles south of San Francisco along Highway 1.

Marsha Poulin, of nearby El Granada, was at the water's edge minutes before the first rogue wave struck.

“Just because they were letting us be here doesn't mean it was safe,” said Poulin, who left for higher ground just in time.

# Lawyer misconduct rises as more homeowners try to avoid foreclosure

By Paul Elias  
Associated Press writer

SAN FRANCISCO — Warren Jacobs was desperate when he received a “robo-call” promising to help him stave off foreclosure of his home near Dallas.

The father of six had lost his construction job, lacked health insurance and couldn't pay bills for his 17-year-old daughter's cancer treatment, let alone his mortgage.

So on Jan. 21, he dialed the return number and was connected to the United Law Group. Minutes later Jacobs agreed to scrape together \$2,000 to pay the Irvine, Calif. law firm.



AP photo

Yvonne Jacobs and Warren Jacobs sit in their living room in their Mesquite, Texas, home on Feb. 8. The Jacobs unwittingly became one of the many thousands of homeowners authorities allege have been taken in by unscrupulous or incompetent loan modification attorneys.

other claims.

He did not return e-mail messages seeking comment, and could not be reached through the United Law Group, which remains in business and calls the focus on its founder and firm a “witch hunt.”

January represented the 11th straight month of more than 300,000 properties receiving foreclosure filings in the country, according to Irvine-based RealtyTrac, which is predicting a record 3 million foreclosures this year.

There were a 190,360 foreclosure in California last year compared to 236,000 in 2008, according to MDA DataQuick.

The California Legislature in October passed a law barring attorneys from collecting advance fees for foreclosure work, an action that has prompted many to leave the field and soured others on entering it.

He unwittingly became one of the many thousands of homeowners authorities allege have been taken in by unscrupulous or incompetent loan modification attorneys who rushed into a burgeoning legal niche: helping financially struggling homeowners re-negotiate their mortgages.

Ripoffs of homeowners have become so commonplace that state bar associations from Florida to Arizona are warning their members of the many ethical pitfalls awaiting those who exploit the mortgage crisis. The California State Bar launched a task force a year ago to examine thousands of homeowner complaints about foreclosure lawyers.

Currently, the California Bar is investigating more than 400 attorneys who are suspected of ripping off thousands of homeowners across the country.

The organization that licenses and disciplines California's more than 250,000 lawyers already has suspended or obtained the resignations of 15 lawyers while disciplinary charges are pending.

The first to be charged was Sean Rutledge, founder of the law firm that purported to represent Jacobs and 13 other homeowners.

Just months after securing a law license, Rutledge had been flying high. His United Law Group ramped up to several lawyers and opened offices in other states.

Today his license is suspended, his nascent career lies in tatters and he is under investigation in California and Ohio for taking fees of up to \$3,500 from desperate homeowners then allegedly doing little — or nothing — to save their homes.

The California Bar formally charged Rutledge in July with not only failing to perform vital tasks to stop foreclosures, but calling his clients “losers” during the

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# CENARRUSA’S LOOK BACK

Book by Idaho’s elder statesman looks at old school politics

By Dan Popkey  
The Idaho Statesman

BOISE — No less an authority than the longest-serving elected official in Idaho history says 2011 could bring tax reform rivaling the 1965 session that enacted a 3 percent sales tax.

Pete Cenarrusa, 92, who served nine terms as secretary of state, is the greatest vote-getter in Idaho history. In 1965, he was speaker of the House when the deal was struck to bolster funding for public schools and other programs.

The back story of the 1965 agreement is described in a new book, ‘Bizkaia to Boise: The Memoirs of Pete T. Cenarrusa,’ written by Quane Kenyon with Cenarrusa.

The accord included 17 exemptions on goods and an agreement not to tax services. But now that higher education is being priced out of reach for some and the Legislature verges on imposing a first-ever midyear cut in public schools, the legendary Republican said exemptions and exceptions that forgo \$1.7 billion in revenue may have to be considered after the 2010 election.

“It looks like 2011 could be the year they’ll bite into those exemptions,” Cenarrusa told me. “Now, if we’re going to do away with exemptions, are we going back on our word? But if the revenue situation becomes dire enough, they’re going to have to look at everything, even the exemptions?”

Cenarrusa said with the sales-tax rate now at 6 percent, broadening transac-



Idaho Statesman/AP photo

Pete Cenarrusa, 92, a long-time lawmaker in Idaho, talks about his days in the Idaho legislature in 1965 and getting support for a sales tax bill, Feb. 4 in Boise. A new book, ‘Bizkaia to Boise: The Memoirs of Pete T. Cenarrusa,’ written by Quane Kenyon with Cenarrusa, documents a half century of Cenarrusa’s personal stories and insights into the political landscape of Idaho.

tions subject to the tax may be the best course.

“You can only go so far on increasing the rate,” he said.

The deal that helped make the 1965 session the greatest ever was struck over sandwiches at the Shoshone home of Senate President Pro Tem Jack Murphy. The negotiators included Cenarrusa and other legislative leaders and GOP Gov. Bob Smylie, who had backed away from a 1959 study he’d commissioned that called for a sales tax. Smylie ultimately went along with the sales tax, but it contributed to his defeat in the next Republican primary.

Cenarrusa was there in 1959 when Speaker Bob Doolittle had showed his anger at Smylie when the study was read in the House.

“He brought that gavel down and broke the handle,” Cenarrusa said.

The memoir is a breezy read that captures a

remarkable life.

Born in Shoshone in 1917 to Basque immigrant parents, Cenarrusa was a college boxer, Marine pilot, sheepman and 16-year lawmaker. He then spent 36 years as Idaho’s top election official before retiring in 2003.

He was an influential voice for the rights of Basques in Spain and, with his wife of 62 years, Freda, remains a philanthropist supporting Basque culture.

He sparked an international incident in 2001 when he schooled the visiting Spanish ambassador on Basque nationalism. A year later, Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice was drawn into the debate over a Cenarrusa-backed 2002 legislative memorial to Congress expressing support for Basques.

The book breaks some news.

Cenarrusa reveals that in

1966 he was urged to seek vengeance by challenging Sen. Don Samuelson, who had beaten Smylie in the gubernatorial primary that year. Cenarrusa thought deserting the GOP to run as an independent was bad form. He told Smylie’s chief of staff, Bob McCall, “Bob, I just can’t do it.”

Another Republican, state Sen. Perry Swisher, wound up on the ballot as an independent and got just 12 percent of the vote. Six months later, Secretary of State Edson Deal died. Samuelson appointed Cenarrusa to the job, where he built a spotless reputation for integrity.

A second revelation comes from 2005, when George W. Bush became the 11th president met by Cenarrusa. Cenarrusa wanted to tell Bush about how he’d lured Harry Truman to Carey in 1948 to dedicate an airstrip and how Cenarrusa and the first

President Bush both won their Navy Wings of Gold at Corpus Christi.

Bush shook Cenarrusa’s hand, but wouldn’t talk. “He humiliated me,” Cenarrusa said. “All the other presidents were very, very kind.”

Juicy stories litter the book. But Cenarrusa’s recollection of the achievements of the 1965 Legislature couldn’t be more timely.

That bunch not only had the guts to bring financial stability to education, but established community col-

“I got acquainted with a lot of Democrats, friends of mine, playing poker and having a drink. That feeling isn’t there any more.”

– Pete Cenarrusa, 92, a longtime Idaho lawmaker

leges, the departments of Parks and Recreation and Water Resources, a merit system and pension plan for public employees, and property-tax equity.

Cenarrusa laments the loss of bipartisan and bicameral camaraderie. In 1965, lawmakers trusted one another enough to make the toughest of decisions, raising taxes.

Now, they’re so sharply divided by party and between House and Senate, they can’t even find a way to follow the lead of Gov. Butch Otter and fund roads.

In 1965, many lawmakers lived at the Hotel Boise, took nourishment at the Elbow Room bar and played cards in their rooms.

“I got acquainted with a lot of Democrats, friends of mine, playing poker and having a drink,” Cenarrusa said. “That feeling isn’t there any more.”

Would that every lawmaker could read Cenarrusa’s story and learn something about leadership and vision in tough times.

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## Environmentalists to lose land linked to preserve

By John Miller  
Associated Press writer

BOISE — An environmental group stands to lose land linked to its signature Idaho wildlife preserve because federal land managers contend they’ve been misled over how the site would be managed.

Western Watersheds Project oversees three BLM grazing allotments totaling about 7,000 acres, or 11 square miles, connected to its Greenfire Preserve near the East Fork of the Salmon River.

Valley Sun LLC, a company headed by Gordon Younger, a Seattle environmentalist and a financial supporter of Western Watersheds, has a permit for the allotments but doesn’t graze cattle there.

BLM officials from Challis, located 280 miles north of Boise in the mountains, this month told Younger he “knowingly or willfully made false statements or representations” about his plans for the allotments. As a result, they were canceling his permit “in its entirety.”

Western Watersheds Project has nine pending federal lawsuits targeting the BLM as part of its campaign to end public land grazing. Younger has become a lightning rod for his role in buying up land in the region and for going toe-to-toe with ranchers for control of traditional grazing ground.

“Valley Sun, LLC and Western Watersheds Project have provided BLM with baffling, contradictory and apparently false statements,” BLM Field Manager David Rosenkrance told Younger in a Feb. 2 letter that the permit was being canceled. “I can only conclude Valley Sun, LLC never intended to pur-

chase livestock to activate their permit.”

Rosenkrance, who was out of the Challis office and didn’t immediately return a call, gave Younger 15 days to protest.

In 2000, Younger bought a 432-acre ranch near Challis that became Western Watersheds Project’s Greenfire Preserve.

The ranch came with permits to BLM and U.S. Forest Service grazing allotments totaling more than 50,000 acres, according to the group.

Jon Marvel, director of the Hailey-based Western Watersheds, has managed Younger’s allotment near Challis under a conservation agreement for a decade. He plans to protest Rosenkrance’s decision to cancel the permit, which Marvel says stems from the federal agency’s support of ranching interests.

“There has been and continues to be a bias in the BLM

against conservation,” Marvel said, adding keeping the allotments remains a priority. “It’s very important. Not having livestock on these landscapes is hugely beneficial for wildlife and fisheries.”

Livestock interests accuse Younger, a Seattle packaging business owner, of forming “fake ranches” to buy land, compete for leases, squeeze livestock off prime grazing ground — and then manage it as wildlife habitat. Since 2006, Younger has been embroiled in a federal court lawsuit against Idaho that it settled late last year for \$50,000, an agreement to end discrimination and a rewrite of rules governing how Idaho awards competitive grazing leases.

Ranching groups embittered by Younger’s and Marvel’s activities greeted the BLM’s move to cancel the permit near Challis, saying federal action has been long overdue.

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## Luster Eugene ‘Gene’ Callen

CUSTER, Wash. — Luster Eugene “Gene” Callen passed away after a good, long life in Bellingham, Wash., on Wednesday, Feb. 10, 2010, at the age of 96.

He was born in Murtaugh, Idaho, on April 25, 1913, to Luster Cornelius and Eva (Cox) Callen. He married Mildred Lorene Vining in 1935, and together they raised four children. They were married 63 years before Mildred’s death in 1999. He was a farmer and rancher in southern Idaho for many years. He moved to Washington State in 1968 and founded Callen Construction Company in 1972. He remained active in the construction business until he was well into his 90s.

Gene served in the Calvary. He was a life member of FFA. He joined the Jerome, Idaho, Masonic Lodge No. 61 in 1945 and the Ferndale Masonic Lodge No. 264 in 1974. He became a member of the Scottish Rite and the El Korah Mystic Shrine in Boise, Idaho, in 1948 and the Nile Mystic Shrine in Seattle in 1969. He was also a member of the Northwest Shrine Club in Bellingham and was Past Patron of the Ferndale Chapter of the Order of Eastern Star.

Gene is survived by his son, Charles (Mary) Callen of Deer Park, Wash.; his daughter, Hooty (Lee) Holmes of Meridian, Idaho; and son,



Cleo (Maria) Callen of Custer, Wash. He is also survived by his grandchildren, Brenda (David) Callen-Kenward, Chuck (Shawna) Callen, Melody (Brooke) VandeBrake, Ina (Tim) Jaskowiak, Cass (Steve) Cook, Jesse (Mandy) Callen, Travis Callen, and Tommy Callen; and nine great-grandchildren, Peter, Mark, Lauren, Frank, Kylie, Sarah Jean, Caitlyn, Hannah, and Bailey Mae.

He is also survived by his sister, Helen (98) of Boise, Idaho; his friend and neighbor, Katherine Callen of Custer, Wash.; his niece, Charlene (LeRoy) Popplewell of Burley, Idaho; and many other relatives, cousins, nieces, nephews, and wonderful acquaintances and dear friends. He was preceded in death by his parents; his sister, Edna; his wife, Mildred; and his son, Uda.

A memorial service in celebration of his life will be held at 10 a.m. Saturday, March 6, at Greenacres Funeral Home, 5700 Northwest Drive in Ferndale, Wash.

The family would like to request that memorials be made to the Shriners Hospital for Children, P.O. Box 2472, Spokane, WA 99210.

You may share your thoughts and memories of Gene in the online guest-book at [www.molesfuneral-homes.com](http://www.molesfuneral-homes.com). Moles Family Funeral Homes and Crematory - Ferndale.

## Thelda Fairchild Casper

GREENLEAF — Thelda Fairchild Casper, 86, of Greenleaf, Idaho, and formerly of Oakley, Idaho, died Thursday, Feb. 11, 2010, at her home.

The funeral will be held at 1 p.m. Monday, Feb. 15, at the Oakley LDS Chapel, with burial to follow in the Oakley Basin Cemetery. A visitation for family and friends will be held from noon to 12:45 p.m. at the church. Services are under the direction of Accent Funeral Home in Meridian, Idaho.

Thelda was born in Oakley to Clarence and Ruth Fairchild on July 9, 1923. She was raised in the Basin and graduated from Oakley High School. She continued her education at Albion Normal School and became a teacher. In 1945, she met Francis W. Casper and they were married five days later in Elko, Nev. Their marriage was sealed in the Salt Lake Temple on March 23, 1951. They were married for 55 years, living in California, Utah and Idaho.



In addition to teaching school, Thelda worked for many years as a manager at Louise Gardens in Salt Lake City. She loved quilting, gardening, camping and reading.

Thelda is preceded in death by her husband, Francis; son, Jess C. Casper; daughter, Lois Jungvig; one sister and five brothers. She is survived by her children, Jill Dowd (Rodney) of Greenleaf, Idaho, Kent Casper (Sue) of West Valley City, Utah, Paul W. (Sharleen) Casper of Nampa, Idaho, and Gwen (Timothy) Kuehl of West Jordan, Utah; 20 grandchildren; 33 great-grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; brother, LeRoy Fairchild; and sisters-in-law, Verdene Fairchild and Suzu Fairchild.

Memorial contributions may be made in Thelda’s name to the American Cancer Society or a charity of your choice. Condolences may be made to the family online at [www.accentfuneral.com](http://www.accentfuneral.com).

## DEATH NOTICES

### Leslie P. Nancolas

FILER — Leslie P. Nancolas, 90, of Filer and formerly of Jerome, died Thursday, Feb. 11, 2010, in Twin Falls.

A graveside service will be held at 1 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 16, at the Jerome Cemetery, 900 W. Ave. I in Jerome (Farnsworth Mortuary of Jerome).

### Mark R. Owsley

BLACKFOOT — Mark Robert Owsley, 49, of Blackfoot, died Friday, Feb. 12, 2010, at Portneuf West Campus in Pocatello.

## SERVICES

**William “Bo” Jack Moriarty (B.J.)**, memorial service at 2 p.m. today at the Downard Funeral Home, 241 N. Garfield Ave. in Pocatello.

**Wanda Dean Young** of Hansen, funeral at 10 a.m. Monday at White Mortuary in Twin Falls.

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Falls, memorial service at 11 a.m. Friday, Feb. 19, at the Hawker Funeral Home, 132 S. Shilling Ave. in Blackfoot; visitation one hour before the service at the funeral home; graveside service at 4 p.m. Friday at the Hagerman Cemetery in Hagerman.

### Kenneth Priebe

WENDELL — Kenneth Priebe, 49, of Wendell, died Friday, Feb. 12, 2010, at St. Luke’s Magic Valley Medical Center in Twin Falls.

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

**Erma Snyder Miller** of Filer, graveside service at 11 a.m. Tuesday at Sunset Memorial Park in Twin Falls; memorial service at 3 p.m. Tuesday at the Filer Mennonite Church, 109 Fifth St. (Farmer Funeral Chapel in Buhl).

# DNA of 4,000-year-old hair suggests even ancient man had baldness issues

By Malcolm Ritter  
Associated Press writer

NEW YORK — Scientists have pieced together most of the DNA of a man who lived in Greenland about 4,000 years ago, a pioneering feat that revealed hints about his appearance and even an increased risk of baldness.

It’s the first genome from an ancient human, showing the potential for what one expert called a time machine for learning about the biology of ancient people.

Analysis suggests the Greenland man probably had type A-positive blood, brown eyes, darker skin

than most Europeans, dry earwax, a boosted chance of going bald and several biological adaptations for weathering a cold climate, researchers report in Thursday’s issue of the journal Nature.

The DNA also indicated the man had dark, thick hair — a trait the scientists observed directly, since that’s where the genetic material came from.

More importantly, comparisons of his DNA with that of present-day Arctic peoples shed light on the mysterious origins of the man’s cultural group, the Saqqaq, the earliest known culture to settle in Greenland. Results suggest

his ancestors migrated from Siberia some 5,500 years ago.

It’s not clear how or why they migrated, said Eske Willerslev of the University of Copenhagen in Denmark, an author of the paper. The analysis shows the now extinct Saqqaq were not direct ancestors of today’s Inuits or Native Americans, he said.

The researchers nicknamed the man Inuk, which is Greenlandic for “human” or “man.”

The DNA was recovered from a tuft of hair that had been excavated in 1986 from permafrost on Greenland’s west coast, north of the Arctic Circle. The thou-

sands of years in a deep freeze was key to preserving the genetic material. But most ancient human remains come from warmer places with less potential for preservation, and scientists said it’s not clear how often DNA from such samples would allow for constructing a genome.

Willerslev said he believes many hair samples from around the world, perhaps from South American mummies or in collections, probably would be usable.

“I won’t say it will become routine,” he told reporters, but “I think it will be something we will see much more in the coming five years.”



U.S. Army Chief of Staff Gen. Frederick Weyand places incense on the grave of a South Vietnamese soldier at Bien Hoa Military Cemetery near Saigon, Vietnam, in March 1975.

## Ret. Gen. Frederick Weyand, last Vietnam War commander, dies

By Emily Langer  
The Washington Post

Retired Gen. Frederick Weyand, a combat veteran of three wars who served as the final commander of American forces in South Vietnam and as Army chief of staff in the waning days of the Vietnam War, died Feb. 10 in Honolulu. No cause of death was reported. He was 93.

Four decades after the fact, Weyand received attention for statements he reportedly made in 1967 expressing doubts about U.S. prospects for success in the war. He was a top commander in Vietnam at the time and told two prominent journalists, R.W. Apple Jr. of the New York Times and Murray Fromson of CBS News, confidentially that he thought the war had reached an impasse.

According to Fromson, in a 2006 New York Times opinion article, Weyand was the unnamed source in an explosive Times story by Apple on Aug. 7, 1967, that suggested victory in Vietnam might have been “beyond reach.” Fromson, who also reported on the general’s doubt, wrote that Weyand released him from the confidentiality agreement after the 2005 death of Gen. William C. Westmoreland, who had been commander in Vietnam at the time of Weyand’s comments.

In 1964, when he took over the 25th Infantry Division in Hawaii, which he would soon lead into Vietnam, Weyand had a reputation as a shrewd leader who knew military combat as well as political infighting. During World War II, he served as an intelligence specialist in the China-Burma-India theater. When he was in his 30s, he commanded an infantry battalion in Korea. He had been the Army’s

liaison to Congress, an edifying assignment given the role awaiting him in the most politically divisive war in modern American history.

On the battlefield in Vietnam, Weyand presciently advised Westmoreland to deploy troops closer to Saigon weeks before the North Vietnamese launched in 1968 what would become known as the Tet Offensive. According to a 1972 New York Times article, Westmoreland said that having the troops ready was one of the most important decisions of the war. In 1969 and 1970, Gen. Weyand served as military adviser to Ambassador Henry Cabot Lodge Jr. during the Paris peace talks on Vietnam.

Frederick Carlton Weyand was born in Arbuckle, Calif., on Sept. 15, 1916. The son of a police chief, he studied criminology at the University of California at Berkeley and graduated in 1939 with an ROTC commission as a second lieutenant. His military decorations included the Distinguished Service Cross, the Distinguished Service Medal, the Silver Star, the Legion of Merit and the Bronze Star Medal.

His first wife, Arline Langhart Weyand, died in 2001 after 61 years of marriage. According to the Associated Press, survivors include Weyand’s wife of 10 years, Mary; three children from his first marriage; and four stepchildren.

Years after the Vietnam War, Weyand sought to dispel what he considered unfair impressions left from the deeply divisive conflict. In interviews with military affairs writer Col. Harry G. Summers Jr., he spoke about the “cruel misperception that the American fighting men there did not measure up to their predecessors in World War II and Korea.”

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# VA prodded to give more aid to female veterans

By Tony Perry  
Los Angeles Times

OCEANSIDE, Calif. — Kristine Wise remembers driving from San Diego to Victorville, Calif., to visit her brother and seeing haunting messages on the freeway signs. Instead of the speed limit or the miles to the next town, she envisioned: Beware of Snipers. Watch Out for Bombs. 40 miles to Baghdad. Death Ahead.

“It was horrible,” said Wise, who served in Iraq with the Army in 2003 and 2004.

The disturbing images are part of the anxiety and panic attacks she has suffered since serving as a supply clerk just as the insurgency was becoming proficient at killing Americans with roadside bombs and suicide attacks.

In Iraq, her depression ran so deep that she wrote a suicide poem: “The pressure is too great / I’m going to crack and fall apart / ... My casket is now fully covered, it looks nice.” Sent back to Germany, Wise received psychiatric and medical treatment before she was honorably discharged in 2004, two years early.

Now 40 and a student at Cal State San Marcos, she is part of a growing phenomenon: large numbers of women who have been traumatized by military service.

The number of female veterans being treated by the Department of Veterans Affairs has doubled in recent years and is expected to double again within a decade.



Kristine Wise, 40, studies in her Oceanside, Calif., apartment on Jan. 25. Wise is an Army veteran who took an honorable discharge after eight months of duty in Iraq and is now a human development major at Cal State University San Marcos. Many of her expenses, including most of the rent in this apartment for troubled veterans, is paid through a local interfaith group with funds from the Veterans Administration.

The swift demographic change has prompted some veterans’ advocates to assert that the VA has not responded adequately to women’s mental and physical health care needs.

Moves are under way in both houses of Congress to prod the VA, a massive organization that has historically been dedicated to the treatment of men, to improve service to female veterans. VA officials say they have gotten

the message.

More than 240,000 female soldiers, Marines, sailors and airmen — about 11 percent of the overall force — have been deployed to Iraq or Afghanistan.

Through Oct. 1, 11,713 female veterans had been diagnosed by the VA with post-traumatic stress disorder, a number that does not include thousands who are still on active duty and received a similar diagnosis

from military health specialists.

Through mid-2009, 5,100 female veterans were receiving disability benefits for stress, compared with 57,732 men.

There have yet to be comprehensive studies about how women are affected differently than men in war zones in Iraq and Afghanistan.

U.S. Sen. Patty Murray, D-Wash., a leading VA critic,

has called for a study to determine whether a bias toward men makes it more difficult for women to receive disability payments.

Some preliminary statistics and anecdotal evidence collected by clinicians suggests that women are experiencing physical and emotional problems at a higher rate than their male counterparts, although firm numbers are not available.

By one study, about 40

percent of female veterans from Iraq and Afghanistan are seeking care at the VA, compared with 22 percent of male veterans.

In San Diego County, which has a large military population, female veterans are more likely to have a mix of physical and emotional problems than men. The divorce rate among enlisted women is three times that of enlisted men.

Rep. Bob Filner, D-Calif., chairman of the House Committee on Veterans Affairs, said the VA’s response to women’s needs has been “too slow and not comprehensive enough. It’s not just a money thing, it’s a major culture shift.”

A bill passed in November by the Senate would authorize a comprehensive study of the VA’s treatment of women by outside researchers. A companion bill is pending in the House. Filner wants a Women’s Veterans Bill of Rights.

Patricia Hayes, chief consultant for the Women’s Veterans Health Strategic Health care Group at the VA, said four-day seminars are being held nationwide with the goal of training 1,200 employees to become specialists in women’s health issues.

At a hearing held last spring by Filner’s committee, Anuradha K. Bhagwati, executive director of Service Women’s Action Network, told lawmakers that many women continue to receive inferior care at VA hospitals.

## N. Idaho fire chief sidelines 17 vehicles

ATHOL (AP) — A northern Idaho fire chief has removed 17 vehicles from service amid safety concerns, leaving just one engine, two ambulances and a fire boat still available.

Timberlake District Fire Chief Jack Krill said he removed the vehicles on the advice of the district’s insurance company, and that he’s no longer willing to risk the safety of his staff with faulty equipment.

“We didn’t realize truly how bad it is until we looked at what takes a truck out of service,” he told the Coeur d’Alene Press. “It hit me when I talked to family members (of employees) about how we could live with ourselves if somebody got killed. It’s kept a lot of us up at night.”

The move means five of the district’s six stations that serve the Athol and Bayview areas are without vehicles.

Krill says the vehicles will be out at least two weeks until they are inspected by a certified mechanic and deemed safe to operate under national standards. He said those inspections will cost about \$8,000, not including repairs and parts.

He said the problems are caused by trying to save money and doing repairs in-house.

“We’re dealing with six to eight years of neglect,” he said. “We are not experienced certified technicians to know for sure, but we are mechanically inclined enough to know that we feel the items appear to meet the criteria (to take them out of service).”

He also said there have been close calls, including a fire engine’s accelerator becoming stuck last week.

But Larry Spencer, an area property tax activist, said he opposes the decision to take

the vehicles out of service.

“They’re out of service because it’s unknown if they’re going to pass an inspection,” he said. “That doesn’t make sense. This is a clear case of dereliction of duty to the citizens. It’s irresponsible on the part of the chief.”

Kootenai County Commissioners plan to discuss the state of the district Wednesday at the Bayview Community Center.

“The time has come for this district to take immediate and extreme action to manage the dilapidated condition of our aging apparatus,” Jake Capaul, president of Timberlake’s firefighters union, wrote in an e-mail to the commissioners. “The public we service depend on us and our vehicles to arrive at their home/business in a safe and timely manner. We can no longer accept mediocrity and ‘good enough.’”

## Wash. St. Patrol officer shot during early-morning traffic stop

The Seattle Times

SEATTLE — The Washington State Patrol and other police agencies launched a massive hunt for an unidentified man who shot a Washington state trooper early Saturday morning.

Although a small-caliber bullet lodged in the back of Trooper Scott Johnson’s head, his injury is not believed to be life-threatening, according to the State Patrol.

State Patrol spokeswoman Krista Hedstrom said Johnson was “joking and being himself” at a Portland, Ore., hospital early Saturday afternoon.

The shooting, which took place on Highway 103, also known as Pacific Avenue South, on the south side of Long Beach, Wash., is the latest in a string of recent attacks on law-enforcement officers.

Six officers were killed between Oct. 31 and Dec. 28, 2009: Seattle Officer Timothy Brenton; Pierce County Sheriff’s Deputy Kent Mundell; and four Lakewood, Wash., police officers, Sgt. Mark Renninger and Officers Tina Griswold, Ronald Owens and Greg Richards.

Johnson was shot shortly before 1 a.m. as he was taking inventory of the contents of a vehicle before it was to be towed. The driver had been arrested on suspicion of drunken driving.

An unidentified man walked up to Johnson and

a tow-truck driver and exchanged words with them, then pulled a gun and fired twice at Johnson, Hedstrom said. One bullet apparently grazed the trooper’s head, and the other lodged in the back of his head, she said.

Johnson fired back at the gunman as he fled, but it

isn’t known if he was hit.

“Right now we don’t know if it was random or if it was in some way associated with the suspect who was arrested for DUI,” Hedstrom said. “We are in contact with the woman who was arrested for DUI. So far we’ve come up with nothing.”

*Perhaps you sent a lovely card,  
or sat quietly in a chair; perhaps  
you sent a funeral spray; if so we  
saw it there; perhaps you spoke the  
kindest words, as any friend could  
say; perhaps you were not there at  
all, just thought of us that day.  
Whatever you did to console our  
hearts, we thank you so much,  
whatever the part.*

*The Family of Bill Amen*

## E. Idaho judge questions Rexburg’s compliance

REXBURG (AP) — A state judge in eastern Idaho has ordered Rexburg officials to explain what appears to be the city’s failure to comply with the judge’s previous order to surrender to him all records of the city’s investigation of a worker’s complaint against the former mayor.

Madison County District Judge Gregory Moeller on Tuesday ordered the city to explain what he calls an “apparent inconsistency” in its claim that the only record of its investigation is a two-page report.

“Although the City of Rexburg claims to have made a complete disclosure to the Court, there remain serious concerns that must be addressed,” Moeller wrote in his order, the Post Register reported.

But Steve Zollinger, Rexburg’s city attorney, said the city has submitted all pertinent records to Moeller.

Former Mayor Shawn Larsen resigned abruptly in September after his female assistant made a complaint of a hostile work environment.

The Post Register in November filed a lawsuit asking Moeller to force the city to hand over records about the investigation and any e-mails between Larsen and the assistant. Moeller is to look over the information and decide whether it can be released to the newspaper.

Moeller in December

“I have never come across an investigation that was done entirely without notes or documents.”

— Steve Wright, an attorney representing the Post Register

ordered the city to turn over records of the investigation it made into the assistant’s allegations. Moeller then received the two-page report, which he said appears to contain information indicating there is more material from the investigation that was omitted.

Moeller noted that the two-page document he received is subtitled “Follow-up Investigation.”

“This implies that there was an earlier investigation,” Moeller said.

But Zollinger said the report was given that title because it was the city’s response to the complaint

made by Larsen’s assistant.

Moeller also noted that the report mentions “a grievance had been filed” regarding the assistant’s complaint. Moeller said the word “filed” implies some type of document had been submitted.

But Zollinger said the use of the word was a mistake on his part.

Steve Wright, an attorney representing the Post Register, said he also questions the lack of documents turned over by the city.

“I have never come across an investigation that was done entirely without notes or documents,” Wright said.

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BURLEY/RUPERT FORECAST

Today: Partly cloudy

Tonight: Partly cloudy

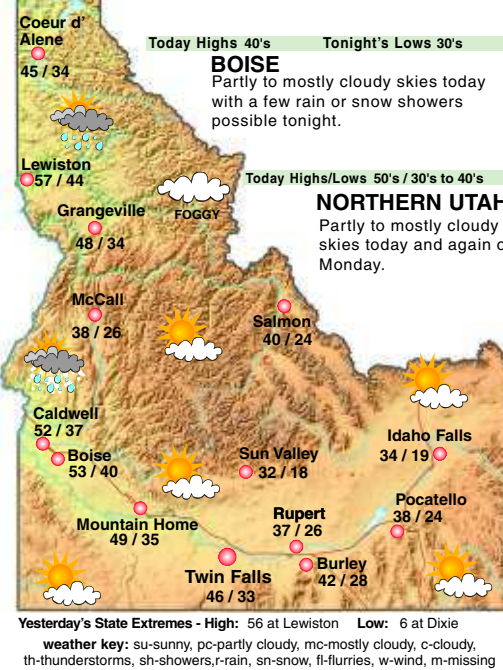
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ALMANAC - BURLEY

Temperature	Precipitation
Yesterday's High 46°	Yesterday's Trace
Yesterday's Low 35°	Month to Date 0.22"
Normal High / Low 41° / 23°	Avg. Month to Date 0.37"
Record High 62° in 1967	Water Year to Date 2.54"
Record Low -9° in 1949	Avg. Water Year to Date 4.21"

IDAHO'S FORECAST

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Partly to mostly cloudy with snow showers possible tonight and Monday.



TWIN FALLS FIVE-DAY FORECAST

Today	Tonight	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
Partly cloudy	Partly cloudy	Partly cloudy	Mostly cloudy	Rain and snow showers	Partly cloudy
High 46°	Low 33°	48° / 33°	47° / 34°	45° / 30°	43° / 27°

ALMANAC - TWIN FALLS

Temperature	Precipitation	Humidity	Barometric Pressure	Sunrise and Sunset
Yesterday's High 48°	Yesterday's 0.03"	Yesterday's High 85%	5 pm Yesterday 30.20 in.	Today Sunrise: 7:36 AM Sunset: 6:09 PM
Yesterday's Low 38°	Month to Date 0.32"	Yesterday's Low 57%		Monday Sunrise: 7:35 AM Sunset: 6:10 PM
Normal High / Low 42° / 24°	Avg. Month to Date 0.43"	Today's Forecast Avg. 73%		Tuesday Sunrise: 7:33 AM Sunset: 6:11 PM
Record High 58° in 1970	Water Year to Date 3.62"			Wednesday Sunrise: 7:32 AM Sunset: 6:13 PM
Record Low 0° in 2004	Avg. Water Year to Date 4.78"	A water year runs from Oct. 1 to Sept. 30		Thursday Sunrise: 7:32 AM Sunset: 6:14 PM

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

REGIONAL FORECAST

City	Today	Tomorrow	Tuesday
Boise	53 40 pc	56 38 pc	48 38 r
Bonnors Ferry	43 34 r	42 33 sh	43 33 r
Burley	42 28 pc	45 27 pc	44 27 pc
Challis	39 24 pc	42 23 pc	41 23 sh
Coeur d'Alene	45 34 r	44 34 sh	45 34 r
Elko, NV	44 20 pc	47 20 pc	42 20 pc
Eugene, OR	55 38 sh	57 45 r	55 45 sh
Gooding	42 33 pc	42 33 pc	44 33 mc
Gracie	34 19 mc	37 23 mc	38 23 mc
Hagerman	49 35 pc	51 34 pc	50 34 r
Hailey	39 24 pc	40 24 mx	41 24 mx
Idaho Falls	34 19 mc	36 24 mx	36 24 pc
Kalispell, MT	42 30 mc	42 27 r	40 27 r
Jerome	43 32 pc	44 31 pc	43 31 pc
Lewiston	57 44 r	56 45 pc	54 45 r
Malad City	39 20 mc	41 25 mx	37 25 sh
Malta	47 27 pc	45 26 pc	44 26 pc
McCall	38 26 mx	38 27 sh	34 27 r
Missoula, MT	38 30 mc	44 31 r	41 31 r
Pocatello	38 24 pc	43 28 mx	41 28 pc
Portland, OR	54 39 sh	55 45 r	54 45 sh
Rupert	37 26 pc	38 25 pc	42 25 pc
Rexburg	30 15 pc	33 21 ls	33 21 pc
Richland, WA	53 35 r	53 36 r	51 36 r
Rogerson	39 25 pc	41 28 pc	37 28 pc
Salmon	40 24 pc	42 27 pc	40 27 r
Salt Lake City, UT	46 26 pc	47 32 mc	49 32 mx
Spokane, WA	48 36 r	50 36 pc	48 36 r
Stanley	38 19 pc	39 18 mx	40 18 ls
Sun Valley	32 18 pc	35 18 mx	38 18 ls
Yellowstone, MT	26 2 pc	28 6 ls	29 6 ls

NATIONAL FORECAST

City	Today	Tomorrow	City	Today	Tomorrow
Atlanta	47 33 r	40 24 mx	Orlando	59 36 su	65 39 sh
Atlantic City	37 22 pc	38 28 r	Philadelphia	35 20 pc	35 25 ls
Baltimore	35 15 pc	33 22 ls	Phoenix	75 49 su	76 51 pc
Billings	23 11 pc	31 23 ls	Portland, ME	54 39 sh	55 45 r
Birmingham	46 29 r	38 23 ls	Raleigh	45 29 pc	45 23 sh
Boston	38 26 mc	39 27 pc	Rapid City	15 2 pc	32 12 pc
Charleston, SC	51 38 pc	52 28 r	Reno	55 34 pc	58 35 pc
Charleston, WV	31 25 ls	31 20 ls	Sacramento	63 45 pc	62 49 pc
Chicago	24 16 mc	26 18 ls	St. Louis	31 18 ls	28 18 ls
Cleveland	29 18 ls	27 19 ls	St. Paul	21 9 ls	22 11 ls
Denver	32 19 pc	40 23 pc	Salt Lake City	46 28 pc	47 32 mc
Des Moines	21 12 sn	20 12 ls	San Diego	69 53 su	69 53 su
Houston	65 33 r	55 31 su	San Francisco	62 50 pc	62 51 pc
Indianapolis	28 15 ls	23 15 ls	Seattle	54 39 sh	55 45 r
Jacksonville	56 39 su	58 33 sh	Tucson	75 46 su	73 47 su
Kansas City	23 14 ls	26 16 ls	Washington, DC	37 19 pc	35 23 ls
Las Vegas	66 44 pc	67 46 pc			
Little Rock	45 26 r	41 26 pc			
Los Angeles	79 52 su	78 52 pc			
Memphis	42 26 r	35 23 ls			
Miami	67 51 pc	72 54 pc			
Milwaukee	26 17 pc	28 18 ls			
Nashville	39 24 mx	30 17 ls			
New Orleans	58 39 r	51 34 pc			
New York	34 24 pc	32 24 ls			
Oklahoma City	32 20 mx	42 34 su			
Omaha	18 9 ls	18 9 ls			

CANADIAN FORECAST

City	Today	Tomorrow	City	Today	Tomorrow
Calgary	33 20 pc	33 21 pc	Saskatoon	17 6 pc	20 6 pc
Crabbrook	31 18 ls	32 24 pc	Toronto	25 19 pc	27 17 pc
Edmonton	30 9 pc	32 13 pc	Vancouver	46 36 sh	44 37 pc
Kelowna	33 23 ls	32 22 pc	Victoria	50 40 sh	48 40 pc
Leithbridge	35 27 pc	35 26 ls	Winnipeg	18 9 pc	19 2 pc
Regina	16 4 pc	20 11 pc			

Yesterday's Weather

City	Hi	Lo	Prp
Boise	49	39	0.11"
Challis	42	22	0.00"
Coeur d'Alene	48	36	0.10"
Idaho Falls	29	21	0.00"
Jerome	46	34	0.01"
Lewiston	56	33	0.00"
Lowell	55	40	0.11"
Malad City	n/a	n/a	n/a"
Malta	43	41	n/a"
Pocatello	38	27	0.20"
Rexburg	30	25	0.00"
Salmon	45	25	0.00"
Stanley	34	10	0.16"
Sun Valley	42	16	0.00"

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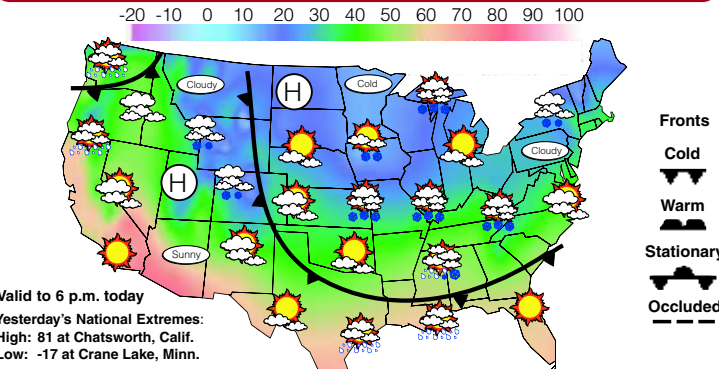
Low 3 Moderate 5 High 7 10

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WORLD FORECAST

City	Today	Tomorrow	City	Today	Tomorrow
Acapulco	82 70 pc	84 72 pc	Moscow	18 17 pc	31 14 ls
Athens	58 56 r	59 53 pc	Nairobi	78 56 sh	80 56 sh
Auckland	74 59 sh	74 58 pc	Oslo	28 -3 pc	25 18 pc
Bangkok	95 77 pc	95 77 pc	Paris	34 28 pc	37 23 pc
Beijing	29 13 pc	34 17 pc	Prague	26 -3 pc	24 0 pc
Berlin	28 -1 pc	27 12 pc	Rio de Janeiro	89 69 pc	90 71 sh
Buenos Aires	79 61 sh	79 63 pc	Rome	44 41 sh	50 42 sh
Cairo	90 58 pc	89 52 pc	Santiago	86 54 pc	88 55 pc
Chennai	81 65 pc	80 62 pc	Seoul	25 11 pc	27 18 pc
Geneva	28 3 pc	29 8 pc	Sydney	85 63 pc	77 62 pc
Hong Kong	66 58 r	62 54 r	Tel Aviv	73 69 pc	73 65 pc
Jerusalem	85 63 pc	86 61 pc	Tokyo	40 33 r	42 29 pc
Johannesburg	90 58 th	78 59 th	Vladivostok	28 10 pc	27 8 pc
Kuwait City	77 59 pc	78 62 pc	Warsaw	31 24 ls	29 20 ls
London	38 34 ls	42 38 sh	Winnipeg	18 9 pc	19 2 pc
Mexico City	64 38 pc	64 42 sh	Zurich	25 -11 pc	26 6 pc

TODAY'S NATIONAL MAP



**GREGG MIDDLEKAUFF'S QUOTE OF THE DAY**

"There may be no heroic connotation to the word persistence, but the character is to the quality of man what carbon is to steel."

— Napoleon Hill



AP photo

A valentine message carved out of snow is seen Saturday at home in Gordonville, Pa. Sadie King, 22, carved out the snow letters with a corn chopper and spray painted them red.

# Power outages, ice slow cleanup from Southern snow

By Harry R. Weber  
Associated Press writer

ATLANTA — The Big Chill turned into the Big Dig on Saturday for many Southerners — the Americans who least expect to open their doors to see up to a foot of snow.

Some stayed indoors a day after the storm moved out to sea, while others turned icy streets and snow-covered parks into sledding playgrounds. Many who tried to dig out found shovels in short supply at home improvement stores.

Tens of thousands of people lost power in Texas and South Carolina, and thousands of others were left stranded by airline flight cancellations.

The National Weather Service says Dallas got 12.5 inches of snow, while Harkers Island, N.C., got 8.8 inches, Belleville, Ala., got 6 inches, Foreman, Ark., got 4 inches and Atlanta got more than 3 inches.

The weather was blamed

for deaths in the Macon, Ga., and the Louisville, Ky., areas.

The worst appeared to be over — for now. But another dose of snow could roll through some parts of the region on Monday, when many workers will be off because of the President's Day holiday.

Folks in the Washington, D.C., area might be wondering what all the fuss was about, considering they got walloped by as much as 4 feet of snow from back-to-back storms earlier this month. The Virginia Poultry Federation says at least seven poultry houses in the Shenandoah Valley collapsed under the weight of snow during the latest round of storms. Herdsmen have had to tap their hay reserves to feed cattle snowed out of pastures.

But people who live further south aren't used to dealing with lots of snow, which made for treacherous driving conditions and forced many people to stay indoors. Supermarkets and post

offices in Marietta, Ga., were practically empty around midmorning Saturday.

The snow was blamed for more than 1,500 car crashes, about 37,000 power outages and hundreds of canceled sports events across South Carolina, which saw 3 to 8 inches of snow in some parts of the state.

About 125,000 homes and businesses were without electricity in the Dallas-Fort Worth area, almost entirely due to trees buckling under the weight of snow and falling onto power lines. Utility crews were expected to be working throughout the weekend to restore power to the area.

A few hundred people were still without power in parts of Louisiana on Saturday morning — down from thousands on Friday. The weather made for a long weekend for some. Schools in many parts of the state closed on Friday and state government offices in 42 of Louisiana's 64 parishes closed early.

# Tropical storm brushes by American Samoa

By Fili Sagapolutele  
Associated Press writer

PAGO PAGO, American Samoa — A powerful tropical storm missed American Samoa early Saturday morning, causing heavy rains and high winds but sparing more devastation to the U.S. territory battered by a deadly autumn tsunami.

Tropical Cyclone Rene was about 110 miles south of Pago Pago and moving southwest on a track that will take it into central and

southern Tonga, said cyclone forecaster Alipate Waqaicelua of the Nadi Tropical Cyclone Center in Fiji. The storm center was about 485 miles northeast of the island chain.

Strong winds from the storm were still expected to batter American Samoa, which prompted forecasters to replace the hurricane warning with a gale warning that predicted winds of 30 to 45 mph, said meteorologist Mase Akapo Jr. with the National Weather Service

in Pago Pago

"The public still needs to continue to take precautionary measures due to the strong winds," Akapo said, adding that the high surf will continue, with waves of 15 to 18 feet expected through Saturday evening.

"We are still faced with high waves," he said.

Heavy rain fell on parts of Tutuila, the territory's most populous island, early Saturday morning, and some low-lying areas were flooded.

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# Accused Alabama prof shot, killed brother in 1986

By Kristin M. Hall and Desiree Hunter  
Associated Press writer

HUNTSVILLE, Ala. — The professor accused of killing three colleagues during a faculty meeting was a Harvard-educated neurobiologist, inventor and mother whose life had been marred by a violent episode in her distant past. More than two decades ago, police said Amy Bishop

fatally shot her teenage brother at their Massachusetts home in what officers at the time logged as an accident — though authorities said Saturday that records of the shooting are missing. Bishop had just months left teaching at the University of Alabama in Huntsville when police said she opened fire with a hand-



Bishop

gun Friday in a room filled with a dozen of her colleagues from the school's biology department. Bishop, a rare woman suspected in a workplace shooting, was to leave after this semester because she had been denied tenure. Police say she is 42, but the university's Web site lists her as 44.

Some have said she was upset after being denied the job-for-life security afforded tenured academics, and the husband of one victim and one of Bishop's students said they were told the shooting stemmed from the school's refusal to grant her such status. Authorities have refused to discuss a motive, and school spokesman Ray Garner said the faculty meeting wasn't called to

discuss tenure. William Setzer, chairman of chemistry department at UAH, said Bishop was appealing the decision made last year. "Politics and personalities" always play a role in the tenure process, he said. "In a close department it's more so. If you have any lone wolves or bizarre personalities, it's a problem and I'm thinking that certainly came into play here."

The three killed were Gopi K. Podila, the chairman of the Department of Biological Sciences, and two other faculty members, Maria Ragland Davis and Adriel Johnson. The wounded were still recovering in hospitals early Saturday. Luis Cruz-Vera was in fair condition; Joseph Leahy in critical condition; and staffer Stephanie Monticciolo also was in critical condition.

# Iraq secular bloc suspends campaign

By Liz Sly  
Los Angeles Times

BAGHDAD — A leading coalition supported by Sunnis and secularists suspended campaigning Saturday and hinted at a possible boycott of next month's elections to protest a decision to uphold a ban on candidates because of their alleged ties to the outlawed Baath Party. The Iraqi National Movement coalition headed by former Prime Minister Ayad Allawi announced that it would temporarily suspend its campaign and demanded action to reverse the bans against those being linked to the party that ruled under Saddam Hussein. The group called for an urgent meeting of top leaders, a review of the banning process and an emergency session of parliament. "This situation raises serious questions about the usefulness of the coming elections, whose results some in the political arena wish to predetermine through intimidation, blackmail, creation of crises and the sowing of chaos," a statement by the coalition said. Most observers think a Sunni Arab election boycott unlikely, because the last such boycott, in January 2005, left the Sunni minority shut out of power. But the monthlong dispute over the banned candidates has already plunged Iraq into political turmoil in the weeks before an election that U.S. officials hope will stabilize the country enough for American troops to go home.

# Little resistance



AP photo

Injured Taliban fighters receive medical treatment aboard a Blackhawk helicopter from U.S. Army flight medics Sgt. Michael G. Patangan, left, of Houston, Texas, and Sgt. Bryan Eickelberg of Arden Hills, Minn., Saturday over Marjah, Helmand province, southern Afghanistan. One of the three captured fighters is pictured at left being guarded by a Marine MP, not pictured.

# But bombs, booby-traps slow U.S. advance in Marjah

By Alfred de Montesquiou  
Associated Press writer

MARJAH, Afghanistan — Bombs and booby-traps slowed the advance of thousands of U.S. Marines and Afghan soldiers moving through the Taliban-controlled town of Marjah — NATO's most ambitious effort yet to break the militants' grip over their southern heartland. NATO said Saturday it hoped to secure the area in days, set up a local government and rush in development aid in a first test of the new U.S. strategy for turning the tide of the eight-year war. The offensive is the largest since the 2001 U.S.-led invasion of Afghanistan. The Taliban appeared to have scattered in the face of overwhelming force, possibly waiting to regroup and stage attacks later to foil the alliance's plan to stabilize the area and expand Afghan government control in the volatile south. NATO said two of its soldiers were killed in the first day of the operation

— one American and one Briton, according to military officials in their countries. Afghan authorities said at least 20 insurgents were killed. More than 30 transport helicopters ferried troops into the heart of Marjah before dawn Saturday, while British, Afghan and U.S. troops fanned out across the Nad Ali district to the north of the mud-brick town, long a stronghold of the Taliban. Maj. Gen. Gordon Messenger told reporters in London that British forces "have successfully secured the area militarily" with only sporadic resistance from Taliban forces. A Taliban spokesman insisted their forces still controlled the town. President Obama was keeping a close watch on combat operations, White House spokesman Tommy Vietor said. The president will get an update from his national security adviser, Gen. Jim Jones, later Saturday. Vietor said Defense Secretary Robert Gates will also have the top U.S. commander in Afghanistan, Gen. Stanley

McChrystal, brief Obama on Sunday morning. In Marjah, Marines and Afghan troops faced little armed resistance. But their advance through the town was impeded by countless land mines, homemade bombs and booby-traps littering the area. Throughout the day, Marine ordnance teams blew up bombs where they were found, setting off huge explosions that reverberated through the dusty streets. The bridge over the canal into Marjah from the north was rigged with so many explosives that Marines erected temporary bridges to cross into the town. "It's just got to be a very slow and deliberate process," said Capt. Joshua Winfrey of Stillwater, Okla., a Marine company commander. Lt. Col. Brian Christmas, commander of the 3rd Battalion, 6th Marines, said U.S. troops fought gunbattles in at least four areas of the town and faced "some intense fighting."

# Olympic protesters smash department store windows

By Anne M. Peterson  
Associated Press writer

VANCOUVER, British Columbia — Police in riot gear confronted more than 200 masked protesters who hurled newspaper boxes through the display windows of a popular department store selling Olympic souvenirs. Seven people were arrested after officers carrying clubs and shields quashed the downtown protest on the opening day of competition at the Vancouver Olympics. There were no immediate reports of injuries. Those arrested could face a variety of charges, including assault, Police Chief Jim



AP photo

A security guard stands outside a Hudson's Bay Co. store that was damaged by protesters in Vancouver, British Columbia, Saturday.

Chu said. At least one could be charged with weapons possession for wrapping a bicycle chain around his fist and threatening passers-by. None of the protesters was immediately identified. Chu said police knew in advance about the protest, but decided to move in once

they knew "criminals" were involved. Authorities said they were wary of masked anarchists who dress in black and use a tactic called "Black Block" to hide their identities. Among them was a loosely organized group from central Canada known to disrupt events that draw media coverage, police said. "Their tactic is to hide within the ranks of legitimate protesters," Chu said. He maintained that about half the protesters were "criminals intent ... on committing violent acts, including damage to property, including assaulting passers-by." The protest was original-

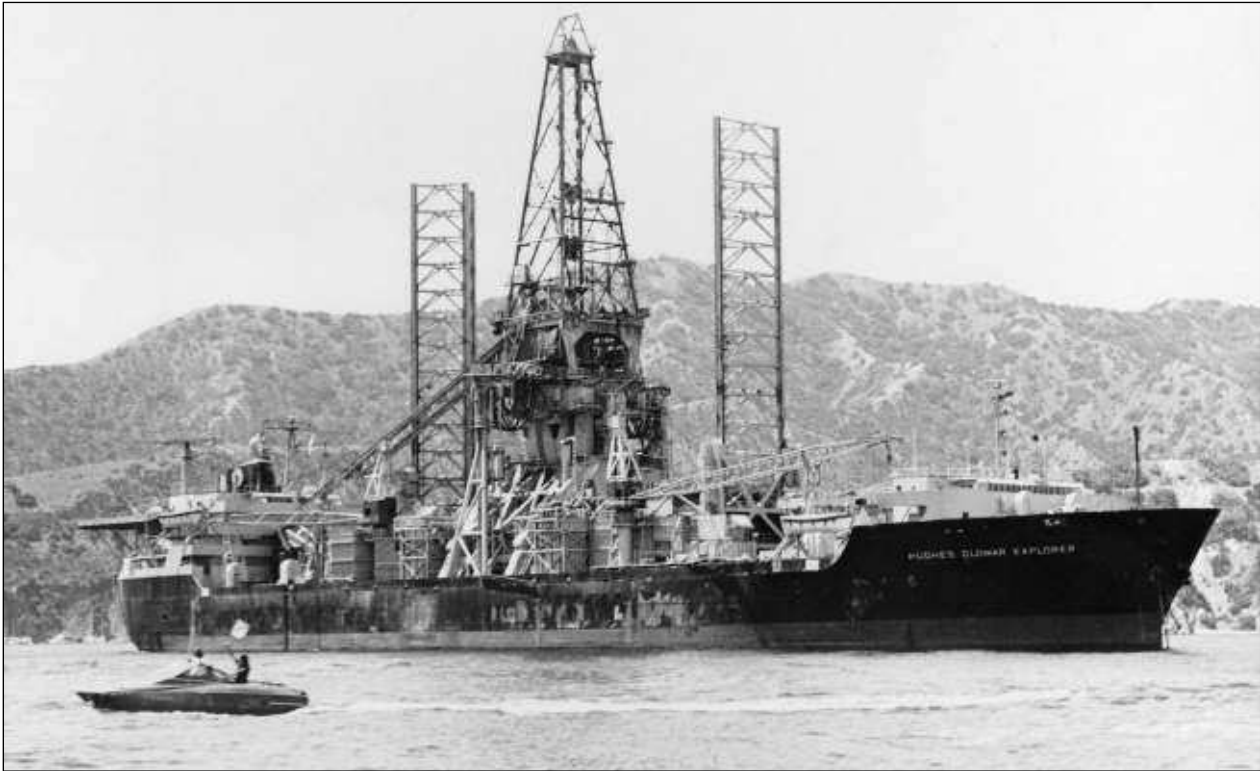
ly organized by the Olympic Resistance Network to "disrupt 'business as usual'" in Vancouver. The ORN is an umbrella group for many causes surrounding the games, ranging from environmental to economic issues. The most prominent involved native Indians who want to reclaim their property ("No Olympics on Stolen Ancient Land") and those angry over the amount of money spent on Olympics as opposed to public housing ("Homes Not Games"). Phone calls to the group were not immediately returned, but the group sent an e-mail Saturday saying 13 people were arrested.

# Anthem to delay insurance rate hike

By Linda A. Johnson  
Associated Press writer

Health insurer Anthem Blue Cross will postpone its much-criticized plan to raise rates for some California residents who buy insurance on their own, after reaching a deal Saturday with state regulators. Anthem's planned rate hike, which the state estimates would affect about 700,000 customers, averaged 25 percent and would have been as high as 39 percent for some. Anthem Blue Cross of California, based in Thousand Oaks, agreed to postpone the increase from March 1 until May 1 so California could have outside experts review the company's complex and detailed plan filing, including data on the medical costs it expects to incur. The California Department of Insurance had been working with Anthem since mid-November to get more information about the increase, Insurance Commissioner Steve Poizner said. He wanted to have experts comb through the company's figures to confirm the new rates comply with a 2006 state law that insurers spend 70 cents of every premium dollar on medical care. "Medical cost inflation in California is in the 10 to 15 percent range, so I have a healthy skepticism how they can get to 39 percent" and comply with the law, Poizner said. If they don't, he said, he will direct the company to reduce its prices, "or I will take away their license to sell insurance" in California.

He officially requested the delay on Monday, but said Anthem stuck to its position that the individual insurance plan had lost money last year and the rate increases were justified — until Saturday. The change of heart came after a week of extensive media reports about the rate hikes, harsh criticism from the Obama administration and two Congressmen scheduling a hearing to look into the rates on Feb. 24. "They did the right thing today," Poizner said during a conference call. "These are huge, massive rate increases, very concerning to me and my team." The insurance department, which doesn't have legal authority to regulate the rates insurers set, has hired consulting firm Axene Health Partners LLC of Southern California to work with actuaries within the department, review Anthem's rate proposal and determine whether it complies with the 70-cent rule. They should finish by mid-April.



The Glomar Explorer is seen in August 1975 off the coast of Catalina Island, Calif. In August 1974, the ship fished a sunken Soviet nuclear-armed submarine out of the Pacific Ocean depths. More than 30 years later the CIA is finally shedding light on the operation.

# GONE FISHING

## Secret hunt for a sunken Soviet sub

By Calvin Woodward  
Associated Press writer

WASHINGTON — In 1974, far out in the Pacific, a U.S. ship pretending to be a deep-sea mining vessel fished a sunken Soviet nuclear-armed submarine out of the ocean depths, took what it could of the wreck and made off to Hawaii with its purloined prize.

Now, Washington is owning up to Project Azorian, a brazen mission from the days of high-stakes — and high-seas — Cold War rivalry.

After more than 30 years of refusing to confirm the barest facts of what the world already knew, the CIA has released an internal account of Project Azorian, though with juicy details taken out. The account surfaced Friday at the hands of private researchers from the National Security Archive who used the Freedom of Information Act to achieve the declassification.

The document is a 50-page article quietly published in the fall 1985 edition of Studies in Intelligence, the CIA's in-house journal that outsiders rarely get to see.

In it, the CIA describes in chronological detail a mission of staggering expense and improbable engineering feats that culminated in

August 1974 when the Hughes Glomar Explorer retrieved a portion of the submarine, K-129. The eccentric industrialist Howard Hughes lent his name to the project to give the ship cover as a commercial research vessel.

The Americans buried six lost Soviet mariners at sea, after retrieving their bodies in the salvage, and sailed off with a hard-won booty that turned out to be of questionable value.

Despite the declassified article, the greatest mysteries of Project Azorian remain buried three miles down and in CIA files: exactly what parts of the sub were retrieved, what intelligence was derived from them and whether the mission was a waste of time and money. Despite the veil over the project, its existence has been known for decades.

“It’s a pretty meaty description of the operation from inception to death,” said Matthew Aid, the researcher who had been seeking the article since 2007, when he learned of its publication thanks to a footnote he spotted in other documents. “But what’s missing in the end is, what did we get for it? The answer is, we still don’t know.”

Much of the operation on the scene unfolded as Soviet vessels watched and some-

times buzzed the Glomar Explorer with helicopters. The Americans told the Soviets they were conducting deep-sea mining experiments.

Journalists broke the story in 1975, led by Seymour Hersh, then of The New York Times, and columnist Jack Anderson. The CIA maintained its silence except for the burial of the Soviet seamen that was turned over to Russian President Boris Yeltsin in the early 1990s.

Now the CIA article, written by an unidentified participant in the operation, brings back to life a time of brinkmanship between two nuclear-armed superpowers as they raced to uncover each other’s military secrets. That competition ranged from space, across continents, to the ocean depths.

For Washington, that meant sparing no expense to retrieve a mammoth vessel loaded with nuclear arms, codes and Soviet technology.

Yet the disclosed sections of the article hint that not much of value was found, just as long-ago reporting on the episode concluded.

It only claims “intangibly beneficial” results such as a boost in morale among intelligence officers and advances in heavy-lift technology at sea. The author

argues the value in mounting the operation was in proving it could be done — an assertion that does not point to a trove of intelligence.

“Lifting a submarine weighing approximately 1,750 tons from a depth of 16,500 feet had never been attempted or accomplished anywhere before,” the article says. “A government or organization too timid to undertake calculable risks in pursuit of a proper objective would not be true to itself or to the people it serves.”

To researchers, that sounds like bureaucratic justification for a project thought to have cost over \$1.5 billion in today’s dollars.

Accounts vary about what was actually brought back. Years later, Russian officials concluded the CIA recovered at least two nuclear-armed torpedoes, not much of a bounty. In other tellings, most of the vessel broke up and fell back to the ocean floor, yielding little. The article does not settle such questions.

Nor does it say why the submarine is thought to have gone down.

The saga began in March 1968 when K-129, carrying three ballistic missiles armed with nuclear warheads as well as its torpedoes, sank 1,560 miles northwest of Hawaii with all

# String of snow days deprives many students of food

TAKOMA PARK, Md. (AP) — As back-to-back snowstorms shuttered schools for the week across the mid-Atlantic states, parents fretted about lost learning time, administrators scheduled makeup days and teachers posted assignments online. But Marla Caplon worried about a more fundamental problem: How would students eat?

The two snowstorms that pummeled the region, leaving more than 3 feet of snow in some areas, deprived tens of thousands of children from Virginia to Pennsylvania of the free or reduced-price school lunch that may be their only nutritious meal of the day. The nonprofits that try to meet the need when school is not in session also closed their doors for much of the week, leaving many families looking at bare cupboards. And many parents working hourly jobs were unable to earn any money during the week, as the snow forced businesses to close.

Caplon is a food services supervisor for Montgomery County Public Schools, where about 43,000 children are eligible for free or reduced-price lunches. Some also get breakfast, dinner and bags of staple foods to take home for the weekend. The snow days meant children would get none of that until Tuesday, because schools are closed Monday for Presidents Day.

“We’ve been bothered by this all week,” Caplon said.

So Caplon arranged for Manna Food Center, a local food bank whose board she chairs, to bring boxes of food Friday to two still-closed elementary schools. Officials used the school district’s automated phone system to notify parents of the distribution.

At Rolling Terrace Elementary School, a stream of people walked up to a Manna truck in the school’s bus bay Friday. They filled plastic shopping bags with cans of soup, vegetables and beans, ground beef and Rice Krispy Treats.

“Everybody’s at home, and everybody’s eating,” said Jacquelyn Garcia, 39, who came to pick up food for her family of five. “I have nothing left in my house.”

Manna’s effort brought out smiles and expressions of gratitude. But the approximately 200 families who came to pick up provisions represent just a fraction of the need in Montgomery County, let alone the entire snow-battered region.

In Philadelphia, where public schools opened only one day this week, nearly 86,000 free lunches are served every day. In Baltimore, where schools were closed all week, a district spokeswoman estimated about 50,000 students take advantage of free and reduced-priced meals. The District of Columbia, which has had no school the entire week, has 32,000 public school students eligible for the program.



Mercedes Rodas, left, chooses cans of food that were being provided to people whose children are usually in the school lunch program at Rolling Terrace Elementary School in Takoma Park, Md., in the aftermath of back-to-back blizzards.

# Unemployment, early retirements cut into Social Security surplus

By Tony Pugh  
McClatchy Newspapers

WASHINGTON — A surge of early retirements and a decline in payroll tax revenue caused by the recession have begun to cut deeply into Social Security’s surplus funding.

Led by aging baby boomers and older workers frustrated by the tough job market, record numbers of eligible Americans started receiving Social Security retirement benefits in 2009.

According to government figures, more than 2.7 million new beneficiaries were added to the rolls in 2009, up 20 percent from 2008. The one-year

increase was the largest since at least 1975.

“Much of that surge is coming from the weak economy,” said Richard Johnson, a senior fellow at the Urban Institute. “The fact that many people can’t find work is forcing them to retire and collect benefits early.”

Annual jobless rates for men and women age 55 and older were higher in 2009 than at any time since the government started collecting the data in 1948, Johnson said.

That forced many to claim retirement benefits at 62, their first year of eligibility, instead of waiting to collect at the full retirement age of 66.

Also fueling the increase

was the leading edge of the baby boom generation, more than 3.4 million boomers who turned 62 in 2009, Johnson said. That was 9 percent more than in 2008 — the first year that any baby boomers, those born between 1946 and 1964, were eligible for Social Security retirement benefits.

Because of the recession, trustees of the Social Security trust fund warned last year that the diminished 2009 surplus would “stay about

constant in 2010 because of the economic recession” and “rise only briefly before declining and turning to cash flow deficits beginning in 2016 that grow as the baby boom generation retires.”

The program’s shaky finances were one reason that Arlie Collins, a retired plumbing contractor from Greensboro, Ga., applied for his benefits three months before he turned 62 in December.

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# Toy makers' crystal ball: High-tech on the cheap

NEW YORK (AP) — If the Zhu Zhu Pets taught a lesson, it's that a bit of technology and a low price tag can go a long way. Toy makers are taking that experience to heart.

From a digital Scrabble game that checks the words to a hovering UFO to miniature radio-control cars, toy makers are amping up the tech quotient but not prices.

Zhu Zhu Pets, the furry mechanical hamsters that zoom around, were the runaway hit of the holiday season. One key to their success: a price tag under \$10.

The American International Toy Fair begins Sunday. This is the annual event where toy makers show off new offerings that will make their way into next year's stockings. Previews from toymakers and interviews with analysts make clear that the focus is on innovation and price. Few toys will retail for more than \$100, and most will be priced below \$30.

"There's still going to be some hesitancy to raise prices too much," said Needham & Co. analyst Sean McGowan. "Last year the feeling was under \$30 is where you needed to be. This year there may be more willingness to be \$30 to \$50. But I don't think we'll see a wave of \$300 stuffed horses again."

The toy industry performed a bit better during the holidays than it did in 2008, but the season was far from a bonanza. The NPD Group, which does market research, said toy revenue was flat because of discounts during the fourth quarter, but the industry sold 4 percent more toys. For the year, sales edged down 1 percent to \$21.47 billion.



AP photo

Triple H, a superstar wrestler with World Wrestling Entertainment, poses with his FlexForce action figure, Friday at the New York Toy Fair.

Tough times can spawn creativity.

"I've seen some really innovative products," said Jim Silver, an analyst at Timetoplaymag.com. He pointed to radio-control vehicles as combining innovation and low prices. One reason they're cheap: The cars themselves have shrunk, Silver said.

"What the industry has learned is that kids don't necessarily want 'bigger.' It's about the features, not the size of the vehicles," he said.

For \$24.99, Mattel is offering tiny Hot Wheels radio-control Stealth Rides cars that fit in a case that doubles as the remote control. Spin Master has several radio-controlled offerings, including the Air Hogs Vectron Wave UFO flying saucer that can sense objects below it and hover above them. That also costs \$24.99.

"Consumers like radio control, they just didn't want to spend \$70," Silver said.

Prices have fallen as technology has advanced, much like the price drops in flat-

screen TVs or laptops.

Some other technology-infused toys planned for 2010:

- Mattel is offering Sing-a-majigs, plush characters whose mouths move as they sing and who harmonize when activated together;

## WHAT'S HOT

The American International Toy Fair, the industry's main trade show, kicks off today in New York. Here are some noteworthy toys to watch for.

**ZHU ZHU PETS.** Last year's runaway hit from Cepia LLC is back, and they're not just hamsters. Zhu Zhu Pets Wild Bunch will feature different animals including a skunk named Stinker and a rabbit named Sweetie. Zhu Zhu Pets Rock Stars will have mohawk-like longer hair. Four of each will be available in late sum-

mer or early fall. Under \$10.

**DANCE STAR MICKEY.** Mattel Inc.'s plush Mickey Mouse walks, talks and dances. \$69.99.

**RADICA PUPPY TWEETS ACCESSORY.** Mattel's offering for adults attaches to a collar, monitors a dog's activity and sends tweets to Twitter about what the dog might be up to. \$29.99.

**STAR WARS AT-AT.** Hasbro's Star Wars All Terrain Armored Transport is a replica of a vehicle from "The Empire Strikes

Back." It holds up to 20 "Star Wars" figures and includes an action figure and pop-out speeder bike. \$99.99.

**TREAT MAKERS.** New offerings in food this year include Hasbro's Easy Bake Deluxe Delights, which makes cake and cookies, for \$29.99; Spin Master's Dairy Queen Blizzard maker for \$29.99; and Jakks Pacific's new Girl Gourmet Chill Treats, which makes frozen yogurt, retailing for \$24.99.

— The Associated Press

available for \$12.99 each; and a World Wrestling Entertainment Belt that contains a screen with animated light shows for \$39.99.

- Hasbro developed Scrabble Flash Cubes. The word game uses cubes that each display one letter digitally. When players fit cubes together, the game can recog-

nize whether they form valid words. And it can keep score.

- Hasbro also expands its Furreal Friends line with smaller Snuggimals that wag their tails and move when you pet them, retailing for about \$7.99.

- Jakks Pacific is offering some high-tech spying gear for kids in its Spy Net line,

including a video spy watch for \$54.99 and a Pen Audio Bug for \$24.99. Yes, they're just what they sound like — miniature video and audio recorders.

- Wowwee has developed a line of guitars and drum sets that are only about 1 inch thick called Paper Jamz. They're also \$24.99.

## Astronauts take second spacewalk to hook up plumbing

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (AP) — Two astronauts are spacewalking again outside the International Space Station.

Robert Behnken and Nicholas Patrick floated out Saturday night on their second spacewalk in three days. This time, they will hook up the plumbing for the space station's new

room, Tranquility.

When ammonia coolant is flowing through the hoses, Tranquility will be brought alive with power. Its systems cannot be turned on unless there is a way to get rid of the equipment-generated heat.

Space shuttle Endeavour and its crew, meanwhile, will get to spend an extra day at the orbiting outpost.

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# Online romantics exchanging virtual gifts

By David Sarno  
Los Angeles Times

LOS ANGELES — If anyone tells you to be realistic about your possibilities on Valentine's Day, simply reply, "Who needs reality?"

Online, communities of virtual romantics are already exchanging all manner of digital bouquets, chocolates, teddy bears and love notes at a speed that could never be equaled in old-fashioned real life.

In the world of FarmVille, the popular Facebook game where users cultivate crops in an effort to build agricultural empires, love-struck users have plowed under their corn and soybeans to plant vast expanses of virtual roses.

The most dedicated players are even inscribing their fields, crop-circle style, with messages like "Be my Valentine" and "L'amour!"

Game players can also exchange special virtual presents for the holiday — in essence, small pictures of flowers or heart-shaped boxes. FarmVille enthusiasts have gifted one another 475 million Valentines since the promotion began Monday, according to Zynga Game Network Inc., the game's maker.

Taking advantage of a holiday that celebrates intimacy and togetherness, marketers across the Web

are attempting to tap into the spirit of the day, inviting consumers to gather at special online events, or offering an array of free virtual gifts (nearly always bearing the brand of the product, of course).

NBC.com has offered a slate of free Valentine "e-cards" based on popular comedy shows such as "30 Rock," "The Office," and "Saturday Night Live." The messages tend to stop short of professing true love, instead expressing sentiments like "You are awesome."

Lauren Kester, a new media professional in Brooklyn, N.Y., said receiving such a card can be fun under the right circumstances.

On the other hand, she said, "if it was the only Valentine you got from your significant other, you might have some problems with your relationship!"

If you're unimpressed by FarmVille romance, check out the wilds of EverQuest II, an online fantasy game from Sony Online Entertainment. There's a sweet surprise hidden over every hill and dale. According to an advertisement released by the company, "During this holiday, players ... have a chance of finding love notes or message candies when they kill mobs all across Norrath!"

# TAKING THE FUN OUT

## Scientists try to put benefits of chocolate in pill form

By Sandi Doughton  
The Seattle Times

SEATTLE — If the healthful benefits of broccoli could be distilled into a pill, veggie haters worldwide would rejoice.

But who would choose to get their chocolate fix by gulping a tablet?

The rush to cash in on chocolate's apparent ability to lower blood pressure, improve circulation and maybe even fight diabetes is threatening to take the fun out of indulgence. Products like purified cacao capsules are already on the market. A Texas company filed a patent last year on chocolate bars bulked up with fiber.

Not exactly the kind of thing to make a girl swoon on Valentine's Day.

Brace yourself for more of the same as manufacturers push to turn chocolate into what a recent trade article called "a suitable vehicle for functional confectionery."

One small Seattle chocolate company hopes to subvert that trend.

In a former brewery in Fremont, Wash., Andy McShea of Theo Chocolate is trying to tease out the molecular basis of scrumptiousness. In the short term, the former pharmaceutical-industry biochemist is using

scientific insight to optimize Theo's artisan approach to chocolate making. In the long term, he's aiming for the same goal as the candy industry's biggest players: a way to maximize chocolate's health benefits while minimizing its baggage of fat and calories.

But if it isn't delicious too, what's the point?, asks McShea, Theo's sole scientist and chief operating officer. "The hair-shirt approach doesn't work."

Consumers were not enamored of Cocoa Via, one of the first health-themed chocolate products. The granola-type bar from candy giant Mars, Inc., was fortified with flavonols, the antioxidants credited with many of chocolate's health effects. Mars' newest attempt is a dietary-supplement drink mix billed as a "concentrated source of cocoa flavonols," and next up is a fruit-flavored drink fortified with flavonols from cocoa.

The company is so convinced of chocolate's biomedical potential it created a new division to develop and patent foods and possibly drugs based on cocoa and its components. Mars is even helping sequence the genome of Theobroma cacao, the species that is the

source of so much delight — and Theo Chocolate's namesake.

"We see a lot of potential," said Mars spokesman Hugo Perez, who estimates the company has spent tens of millions of dollars on cocoa research.

If McShea is fazed by the competition's scientific firepower, he doesn't show it.

"We're going to do things better," said the cocky Brit, who studied at Harvard and also worked at Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center.

The tough talk comes from a company 4 years old, with about 50 employees. But Theo's organic, fair-trade products, like dark chocolate with dried cherries and almonds, have earned raves in publications from Time Out New York to O Magazine.

Theo says it's the only Northwest company that manufactures chocolates from beans to finished product.

An artisan operation has advantages over megacompanies when it comes to producing a healthful product, McShea says. Industrial processing can destroy flavonols and other key compounds. McShea says his lab analyses of popular

chocolate brands show mass-produced candy doesn't have as complex a flavor profile as artisan chocolate.

McShea also has graphs and charts that show the heirloom varieties of cacao trees favored by Theo produce more flavonol-rich and flavorful beans than the varieties that dominate large cacao plantations.

The main stumbling block to a yummy chocolate health food is the fact that flavonols are bitter, McShea said. Chocolate stripped of sugar has a mouth-puckering quality. Chocolate that skimps on cocoa butter is chalky.

"We're working hard to figure out a way to separate the health effects from the calories and retain the flavor," McShea said. "Nobody has been able to do that yet."

His chemical analyses, which are helping to reveal what makes chocolate taste, feel and smell good, are a step in that direction. But the goal isn't to engineer chocolate into something else, McShea said. It's to find that magic mix of tree, bean and roasting method that will lead to the prize.

To get there, McShea will need to make the most of every advantage he has.

# Study finds Internet overtakes traditional venues for new romance

By Lisa M. Krieger  
San Jose Mercury News

SAN JOSE, Calif. — Cupid's arrow is increasingly digital.

Yes, your friends remain your best bet for finding true love, according to a new Stanford University study. They know your charms, quirks and which weekends are filled by Seinfeld reruns.

But the Internet has surpassed other traditional venues for romance, such as the family, workplace, school, church and the corner bar, according to interviews of 3,000 American couples by sociologist Michael Rosenfeld.

His study found that three types of couples are most likely to have discovered their soulmates online: gay men, lesbians and middle-aged straight people. Almost two-thirds of gays and lesbians met online. About one-quarter of straight couples aged 35-44 met that way.

"My advice to people on Valentine's Day is: Be good to your friends. They are your No. 1 resource," said Rosenfeld, 43, who met his

partner that dependable, old-fashioned way — through friends while a student at Brown University.

"But the Internet is an important way of bringing people together who didn't know each other before," he said. "And if you're looking for someone particularly — if it's not the case that any old one will do — it's a big advantage."

For example: "If you want to find someone who loves mountain climbing and speaks Dutch, you need the Internet," he said. "You won't bump into them at the local 7-11."

The transition from youth to marriage used to be simple and straightforward. Research in the 1940s found that almost one-third of all marriage licenses were granted to people who lived within five blocks of each other. If local geography failed, our grandparents could count on motivated parents. Or the church. Or a matchmaker, immortalized in the musical, "Fiddler On The Roof."

Over the decades, connecting through friends remains the one tried-and-

true technique for hooking up. Between 35 percent and 40 percent of straight adults, 20 percent of gay men and 26 percent of lesbians meet that way — a trend, says Rosenfeld, that has remained steady over time.

But a diminishing number of modern heterosexuals meet through their families — about 14 percent, down 25 percent from three decades ago. And even fewer homosexuals — 7.7 percent of lesbians and only 0.1 percent of gay men — rely on their parents to help with selecting a mate.

"If you've been away from home for awhile, mom's idea of what you're like may not be that accurate anymore," noted Rosenfeld.

The workplace isn't the sexual supermarket it was in the '50s and '60s, glamorized in shows like "Mad Men." And the neighborhood? Sadly, particularly in the suburbs, you're likely to be living across the street from strangers.

Today, singles find the Internet has far more horizon-broadening potential than the neighborhood bar,

Rosenfeld said. An added benefit: Prospective partners online are less likely to be plastered.

Its advantages are greatest for those who are middle aged, whose friends are busy with the PTA and who "have already chatted up the two available people at work," he said.

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## Embracing history: Man sets hugs record in Las Vegas

LAS VEGAS (AP) — A 51-year-old Ohio man has embraced the Valentine's Day spirit faster than anyone before, giving 7,777 hugs in 24 hours for a new world record.

Jeff Ondash, who sought the squeezes under the costumed alter ego Teddy McHuggin, broke the record Saturday night outside the Paris Las Vegas hotel-casino on the Las Vegas Strip.

Ondash says he hoped to become the world's hugging champion to raise money for the American Heart Association during American Heart month. Ondash says the cause is important to him because his brother and father both died because of heart problems.

Guinness World Records says the previous record of 5,000 hugs in one day was set last year.

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# Undying love



AP photo  
Kyle Barrett arranges a bouquet in preparation for Valentine's Day at Sticks & Stones on the Boulevard in Texarkana, Texas, Saturday.

## A century of Valentine's Day traditions

By Tiffany March  
Capital News Service

WASHINGTON — Roses, cards, chocolates, romantic dinners: Some people look forward to Valentine's Day, but others complain it has become overly commercialized and places expectations on couples to spend too much money.

But a quick survey of news clippings from the Baltimore Sun and Washington Post in 1910 shows that Valentine's Day has been a major commercial event for at least a century. Cards, flowers, gifts and parties were as popular 100 years ago as they are now.

About 190 million Valentine's Day cards will be exchanged in the U.S. this year, or 1 billion counting classroom card exchanges, according to the Greeting Card Association.

Cards then as well as now give people a chance to express their feelings, like Renee Clyburn of Silver Spring, Md., shopping at her neighborhood Target.

"I look very closely for exactly what I want to say ... for a card that says it better than I can say it," Clyburn said.

In 1910, the Post reported half a million pieces of mail handled in the District during Valentine's Day weekend, requiring 30 additional clerks to help. The Sun reported a 25 percent increase in Valentines from 1909, also requiring additional clerks and mail carriers.

U.S. Postal Service spokeswoman Yvette Singh said that the main post office in Baltimore processed 339,000 pieces of mail in 2009. The Loveville post office in southern Maryland — a popular location for sending Valentines — processes more than 100 extra pieces of mail a day in early February, said USPS spokeswoman Sharon Tennison.

Browsing the shelves today, shoppers notice a dozen card categories — romantic, inspirational, humorous — as well as cards with sound, fur, googly eyes and moving pieces.

These novelty cards are nothing new: a Sun column from Valentine's Day in 1910 noted that "odd Valentines" were becoming popular. A Post writer noticed a humorous card that came with a brass watch and the message, "You are about as slow as this!" Another card with a fake wedding ring attached cost 10 cents, or about \$2.40 in today's dollars.

One difference in 2010 is the rising popularity of e-cards; the Greeting Card Association estimates 15 million electronic Valentine cards will be sent this year. Major card companies like Hallmark also offer cell phone messages, and American Greetings is hosting a Twitter contest for shoppers to submit the most creative romantic sentiments.

Giving flowers to a sweetheart was popular then and now, but the types of blooms

associated with the holiday have changed.

Today, roses are most strongly associated with romantic feelings, but they were nowhere to be found in Valentine's Day florist ads or stories from a century ago. Instead, the most popular choice was violets, followed by tulips, bleeding hearts and sweet peas. A bunch of 100 violets went for \$1.50, or about \$36 today.

Phil Caruso of Rockville, Md., who has been a florist for 64 years, said he remembers when violets were still sold for Valentine's Day, but that they were hard to grow and bundle. "Nowadays ... men know roses," Caruso said, adding, "but everyone has their own idea of what to give."

The family business, Caruso Florist on M Street in the District, makes 600 to 700 deliveries on Valentine's Day to customers in Maryland, Virginia and the District, requiring 25 to 30 trucks.

Another Maryland florist, Kathi Dulin, said that after roses, the most popular flowers are tulips, carnations and mixed bouquets at her shop, Harrison's Flowers Inc. in Easton.

"Tulips have had a comeback in the last couple years," Dulin said, but noted that roses are still the go-to for many customers. "It's a guy's holiday and they're always so last minute. It's still the traditional dozen red roses."

As for other gifts, a National Retail Federation survey estimates people will spend an average of \$63.34 on their significant others this year. A 1910 advertisement from the Stieff Co. Silversmiths in Baltimore promoted a heart-shaped pin tray for \$2, which would be almost \$50 today. Other 1910 articles mention Valentine-themed knick-knacks and books for sale, or give instructions for throwing a Valentine-themed party.

# A VALENTINE'S TEST OF LOVE

By Vern Barnett  
McClatchy Newspapers

Here's a Valentine's Day quiz:

1. St. Paul lists three things that last forever: faith, hope and love. Which does he say is greatest?
2. Who wrote, "The religion of love shall be my religion and my faith"?
3. What book in Hebrew Scripture consists of erotic poems?
4. Has love always been the primary consideration for marriage in the Christian West?
5. Which two of these three ancient Chinese sages thought especially deeply about love? Laozi, Mozi, Confucius.
6. Has an intimate love relationship been the dominant goal for most people in all cultures?
7. How many wives did Solomon have?
8. Did the Greek demigod Hercules make love to other men as well as to women?
9. What Hindu god stole butter as a child from milkmaids and later, as a young man with his flute, amorously pursued them?
10. What great Christian theologian compared marriage to a hospital for curing lust?
11. What group of 17th century Protestants called marriage "the little church within the church"?
12. What Muslim scholar praised romantic love because it made selfish people generous and the unmannered gracious, and insisted that sex completed "the circuit (to) allow

the current of love to flow freely into the soul"?

13. Did ancient Romans observe a fertility rite on Feb. 15?
  14. What Buddhist ideal of unconditional love postpones enlightenment until all other creatures are saved?
  15. What Christian poet, inspired by his ideal woman, wrote that God's love moves the sun and the stars?
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## ANSWERS

1. Love.
2. The 12th century Muslim

- mystic Ibn Arabi. Rumi in the 13th century wrote similarly.
3. Song of Solomon.
  4. No. For much of the last 2,000 years, marriage was more about property and extended family arrangements.
  5. Mozi taught that love, the most powerful force in the world, should be extended to everyone. Confucius focused more on family affections.
  6. No. Heroism, for exam-

- ple, was probably a more important ideal for the ancient Greeks.
7. To Solomon's 700 wives we might add his 300 concubines.
  8. Yes.
  9. Krishna.
  10. Martin Luther.
  11. The Puritans.
  12. Hazm of Cordova, 10th century.
  13. You bet.
  14. The bodhisattva.
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# As hurricane season nears, Haiti's homeless get tarps, want tents

PORT-AU-PRINCE, Haiti (AP) — Ask any of the hundreds of thousands of earthquake victims living outdoors in Haiti's shattered capital and you're apt to get the same plea: "Give us a tent!"

Few will get one. Aid agencies and Haitian officials have given up plans to shelter the homeless in tents, even if that means many will likely face hurricane season camped out under flapping sheets of plastic.

Tents are too big, too costly and too inefficient, aid groups say. So Haitians must swelter under flimsy tarps until fixed shelters can be built — though no one believes nearly enough can be will be up in time for spring storms.

"A tent would give us more space. There are too many people in here," said Marie-Mona Destiron, sweating under the hot blue light of her family's donated plastic tarp. When it rains, she said, water slides through the gaps and turns the dirt floor to mud.

Destiron, 45, got her tarp from U.S. soldiers with the 82nd Airborne Division. Her husband, Joselin Edouard, tied it to a thin mahogany tree on a dusty slope below the country club that the soldiers use as a forward-operating base. It is home to them and their six children.

The Destiron family tarp site sits atop what passes for pretty good real estate in post-quake Port-au-Prince. The family is near where soldiers distribute food, though

when helicopters land, it's blasted by dirt and leaves. They moved in the day after the Jan. 12 catastrophe shattered their concrete home.

But theirs is a space prone to floods and mudslides. And come the spring rains — not to mention the hurricanes of summer and fall — they and many other Haitians are vulnerable.

International aid officials at first announced a campaign to put the homeless in tents and appealed for donations from around the world. Some 49,000 tents had reached Haiti when the government announced Wednesday it was opting for plastic sheets.

With an estimated 1.2 million people displaced by the earthquake — some 770,000 of them still in the capital — officials say there is no room for family-sized tents with their wide bases.

Besides, they are bulky and don't last long enough to justify their cost, the aid community has decided.

Further, the cluster of foreign and Haitian officials in charge of shelter decisions does not trust the mishmash of aid organizations involved to buy the right ones.

It has issued a warning that only that those with "existing expertise in the procurement of humanitarian tents" should buy them, saying that after the 2005 Pakistan earthquake, 80 percent of tents distributed were not waterproof.

Instead the officials are mobilizing a plan they call the "shelter surge:"

- By May 1, one plastic



AP photo  
A child stands among makeshift tents Friday at a refugee camp in the Cite Soleil neighborhood in Port-au-Prince. Most of the estimated 1.2 million people that the U.N. says are living in temporary camps across Haiti dwell in simple structures made of bed sheets and plastic sheeting.

tarp will be given to each of about 250,000 displaced families.

• Transitional shelters of 194 square feet, with corrugated iron roofs, will then be built. They will have earthquake- and storm-resistant frames of timber or steel and are supposed to last for three years.

But putting up such shelters will take serious time and effort. Land must be procured. Money — at least \$1,000 per transitional home — must be found. And desperate people who just weeks ago lost their homes must be persuaded to relocate yet again, and getting them to abandon neighborhoods and friends won't be simple.

"This is a big problem. We need to move people and they need to agree to move," U.N. Under-Secretary-

General of Humanitarian Affairs John Holmes said after visiting tarp cities in the quake-decimated city of Leogane.

Getting even the bulk of that done before the June 1 start of hurricane season seems unlikely. And plenty of people — including politicians from donor nations as well as today's tarp-dwellers — are concerned.

The European Union said Thursday that it would mount a military operation — including heavy equipment and engineers — to level the ground for the shelters and put them up. It did not say how many troops would be sent, by which nations or when.

"I hope it happens soon. Let's see how effective the European military are," said Edmond Mulet, the acting U.N. envoy to Haiti.

# Myanmar frees top opposition leader after seven years in detention

YANGON, Myanmar (AP) — Myanmar's ruling junta released the deputy leader of the country's pro-democracy party from nearly seven years in detention, but offered no indication that he or still-detained party leader Aung San Suu Kyi would be allowed to take part in this year's elections.

The release Saturday of 82-year-old Tin Oo, who helped found the National League for Democracy with Suu Kyi, comes shortly before a U.N. envoy visits Myanmar, also known as Burma, to evaluate the regime's progress on human rights.

"The release of Tin Oo is very welcome, but we should not attach any political significance to the release," said Mark Farmaner, director of the rights group Burma Campaign UK. "Burmese democracy activists are regularly released when the generals want to score points with the international community, and are then arrested again later."

Speaking after police officers entered his house and announced his release, a defiant Tin Oo told reporters, "I will continue to work for democracy."



AP photo  
Tin Oo, deputy leader of Myanmar's National League for Democracy Party, gestures while talking to journalists at his home after he was released from nearly seven years in detention, Saturday in Yangon, Myanmar.

Tin Oo, whose latest term of detention expired Saturday, had spent nearly seven years in prison and under house arrest. The junta renewed his detention on an annual basis since his arrest in 2003.

Wearing the peach-colored traditional jacket of the league, Tin Oo said he was "very hopeful." Suu Kyi would also soon be released, noting in 1995 he was released from an earlier stint in prison not long before Suu Kyi herself was set free.

Tin Oo said he would ask authorities to allow him to visit Suu Kyi, and thanked the

political prisoners.

The United Nations' special envoy to Myanmar, Tomas Ojea Quintana, is to arrive in Myanmar on Monday. Human rights groups say the junta still holds some 2,100 political prisoners, including Nobel Peace laureate Suu Kyi.

"The fact that there still are over 2,100 political prisoners in Burma and if the elections are to be credible, they need to be able to participate along with all representative groups in the elections," said British Ambassador Andrew Heynes shortly after Tin Oo's release.

Suu Kyi has been detained for 14 of the past 20 years. Her house arrest was extended in August by an additional 18 months, which would prevent her from taking part in the first national elections in 20 years. The government says the vote will be held in 2010.

Suu Kyi's party won the last elections in 1990 by a landslide, but the military, which has ruled Myanmar since 1962, refused to cede power and has constantly obstructed her party's operations over the past two decades.

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AP photo  
Indian plainclothes police inspect the scene of an explosion outside a German bakery, near the Osho Ashram, a renowned meditation center, in Pune, India, early today.

# Bomb kills 9, wounds 57 at western India bakery

By Ashok Sharma  
Associated Press writer

NEW DELHI — A bomb detonated in a crowded bakery popular with foreigners in western India killing nine people and wounding 57, officials said Sunday, the first terrorist attack in the country since the 2008 Mumbai massacre.

The blast Saturday in the city of Pune, 125 miles southeast of Mumbai, threatened to damage new efforts to reduce tensions between nuclear-armed rivals India and Pakistan, with Hindu nationalist leaders placing blame for the attack on India's Muslim neighbor.

"It was a bomb lying in an unattended bag," Home Minister Palaniappan Chidambaram told reporters Sunday after visiting the bakery and the wounded in hospitals.

Six people died at the scene and three later succumbed to injuries at hospitals, he said. Of the 57 wounded, 19 were released from medical facilities.

Chidambaram said forensic experts were trying to determine what explosives were used and how the bomb was triggered.

"All the information available to us at the moment points to a plot to explode a device in a place that is frequented by foreigners as well as Indians," Chidambaram said.

Home Secretary G.K. Pillai earlier said the blast occurred at 7:30 p.m. at the German Bakery, near the Osho Ashram, a renowned meditation center.

It was the first terrorist strike in India since 10 Pakistan-based gunmen

# Vatican's Top 10: Jacko to Beatles

VATICAN CITY (AP) — Call it the Vatican's 10 commandments for good listening.

The Holy See's newspaper Saturday published its picks for pop rock paradise, ranging from Michael Jackson's album "Thriller" to Pink Floyd's "The Dark Side of the Moon" and the Beatles' "Revolver."

What L'Osservatore Romano calls a semiserious guide on the road to good music will take you to "Graceland" — Paul Simon's album made the cut. And it does get into the "Supernatural" by Carlos Santana.

The newspaper calls them classics to pack for a desert island. The other picks are David Crosby's "If I Could Only Remember My Name;" "Rumours" by Fleetwood Mac, Donald Fagen's "Nightfly," the U2's "Achtung Baby," and "(What's The Story) Morning Glory" by the Oasis.

rampaged through hotels and a train station in the financial hub of Mumbai for 60 hours in November 2008, killing 166 people.

"It appears that an unattended package was noticed in the bakery by one of the waiters who apparently attempted to open the package when the blast took place," Pillai told reporters.

The building and nearby shops were badly damaged and splattered with thick patches of blood and several limbs. "I came running to the bakery after hearing the explosion. I found people lying all over the place," said Abba More, who lives nearby.

One foreigner was among the dead, but his nationality was not immediately known, Pillai said. Chidambaram said a Sudanese national was among the wounded in the blast.

The bombing came as ties between India and archrival Pakistan appeared to be warming. The two countries agreed to hold talks in New Delhi on Feb. 25, their first formal negotiations since the Mumbai attacks.

Asked whether the explo-

sion was linked to the India-Pakistan talks, Pillai said: "Forensic investigations have just begun. Till they are completed, we will not know who is (involved)."

But Gopinath Munde, a senior Hindu nationalist Bharatiya Janata Party leader, asserted, "This again is an attack from Pakistan."

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# PM refuses to concede Ukraine election

Bloomberg News

KIEV, Ukraine — Prime Minister Yulia Tymoshenko refused Saturday to concede defeat to Viktor Yanukovich in the presidential election and vowed to contest the result in court.

Tymoshenko said more than 1 million votes were falsified in the Feb. 7 ballot. Official results showed parliamentary opposition leader Yanukovich won the vote.

"We have to fight in the courts — if we do not protect democracy today, tomorrow we will wake up in another country, in a country of dictatorship," Tymoshenko, 49, said in a televised address.

Yanukovich has urged Tymoshenko to resign from her post and move into opposition, allowing him to set up a new coalition in the parliament and appoint a cabinet. The U.S., the European Union, Russia and the North Atlantic Treaty Organization have recognized Yanukovich as president, while political analysts have questioned



Tymoshenko

Tymoshenko's chances of altering the result in court.

"I will not call people into the streets, we will act only in the courts as stability is needed," Tymoshenko said.

Yanukovich won 48.95 percent of the vote to Tymoshenko's 45.47 percent, according to the preliminary electronic vote count by the Central Election Commission. The Kiev-based commission is due to announce the final result by Wednesday, after which Tymoshenko would have five days to appeal to the Higher Administrative Court.

Yanukovich was initially declared winner in a presidential bid five years ago. His victory was overturned by the Supreme Court after millions poured on to the streets in the so-called Orange Revolution to protest against vote-rigging.

A repeat of the protests is unlikely, as "Yanukovich's lead of over 880,000 votes leaves Yulia Tymoshenko little chance to reverse the vote outcome," said Kiev-based BG Capital investment bank in a note to clients. "We expect that after a short period of court action Ukraine will see a relatively clear transfer of presidential power."

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# Can't miss if you seek a kiss at Rio Carnival

By **Bradley Brooks**  
Associated Press writer

RIO DE JANEIRO — A kiss is just a kiss, but at Rio's Carnival, collecting as many pecking partners as possible at one of the 650 massive street parties that hit high gear on Saturday is truly a competitive sport.

Wearing a pink bikini top, flower-print miniskirt and a face dabbled with silver glitter, Taline Pereira was not shy about getting to the heart of what drives the parties — known as “blocos” — that in some cases draw upward of 1 million people.

“I traveled thousands of kilometers to come to my first Rio Carnival,” said the 18-year-old student from Brazil's northeast. “Of course I'm going to kiss as many boys as possible.”

Yet Brazilians don't want anyone to get the wrong idea about the widespread kissing known as “ficar,” which literally means “to stay.” It is an innocent game, they say, in which touching a woman anywhere outside the small of

her back draws a red card — if not a slap.

Like the most intricate of courtship rituals, it involves rules and subtle, nonverbal cues that an ambitious man or woman must understand to have a successful outing — defined by Pereira as “maybe kissing 12 boys — or just one if he is a really good kisser.”

There are no winners, official or otherwise, though many play for bragging rights.

Informal polling found members of both sexes claiming to have kissed more than 10 partners at least once during Carnival.

Rafael Salathiel, 18, standing with a group of pals at a Friday bloco aptly named “Come to me, I'm easy,” said he has long history of “kissing as many girls as I want during Carnival.”

For most of the 700,000 tourists who have invaded Rio, the blocos are the focus of Carnival leading up to the flamboyant samba parades Sunday and Monday.

Each has its own character. Some are for journalists, others attract a gay crowd, many



AP photo

Masked revelers pose for pictures during carnival in Barranquilla, Colombia, Saturday.

see a strong teenage contingent and still others are for young children.

But all — minus, perhaps, the bloco for youngsters and one just for dogs and cats — include an abundance of beer, a dire lack of clothing and rampant canoodling.

While Brazil's government

proudly announced it would hand out 55 million condoms for Carnival, there were no warnings issued for contagious diseases contracted by kissing.

“It starts like this: You look at a guy. Really look at him. He comes over, starts with his talk, and if there is chemistry

then it's going to roll,” Pereira said. “It doesn't matter if he is cute or not if there is an energy.”

Lucas de Souza, 17, puffed up like a peacock while giving the male perspective on the game.

“I come at them with attitude and a great talk,” Souza

said. “You really have to talk well with a Brazilian girl. Anyway, if I'm confident, I might touch her hair, her arm and then try for a kiss.”

As he spoke, his buddies let fly the low half-whistle, half-hiss that Brazilian men seem gifted with at birth to gain a woman's attention in a crowd.

And if that kiss should miss?

“Look around, this place is full of girls,” he said. “If a girl rejects me, she is bound to have a friend who won't!”

Luisa Castro, 17, started to give her interpretation of what the game of “ficar” meant when she paused and narrowed her eyes.

“Wait, wait ... is this going to be one of those articles that makes Brazilian women look bad?” she asked. “Because you really shouldn't exaggerate this thing.”

She defended smooching as many boys as possible during Carnival, saying it's far milder than displays during Mardi Gras on New Orleans streets — where women routinely bare their breasts to win a strand of beads.

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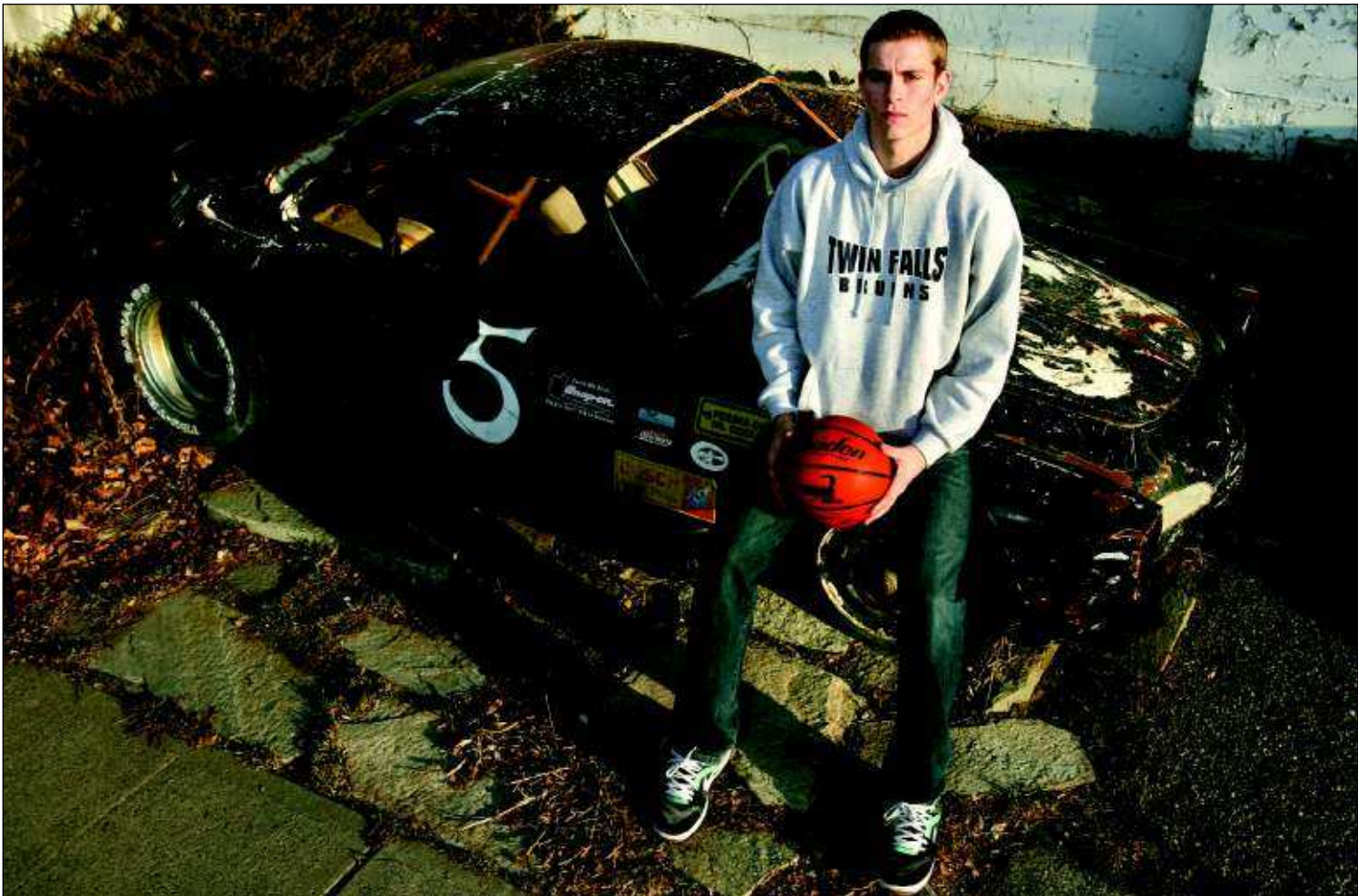


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ASHLEY SMITH/Times-News

Twin Falls senior Marcus Jardine doesn't get frustrated by constant comparisons to his older brother Brady, using it instead as motivation.

# Just like Brady?

## Bruin senior Marcus Jardine on his own title quest

By Bradley Guire  
Times-News writer

Marcus Jardine hears the chanting.

He lines up for free throws and hears the spectators that fill the gyms in which he plays. He connects on layups, jump shots and 3-pointers and hears them then, too.

It doesn't matter if he's playing in Twin Falls, Jerome, Pocatello, Rexburg or Nampa. It doesn't matter whether the chanting is in his favor as the Twin Falls High School student section cries out "Just like Brady!" or when opposing fans taunt "Brother's better!"

Marcus is OK with it all. The comparisons to his older brother, Utah State University player Brady

### Coming Tuesday

A preview of the Great Basin Conference Tournament.

Jardine, are expected as folks have long memories when it comes to sports, but Marcus also uses it to his advantage.

"It truly pushes me harder," Marcus said. "I want to be like my brother."

Brady, four years Marcus' elder, was a part of a Bruin basketball team that claimed an undefeated regular season in 2005, two Class 5A state third-place trophies in 2004 and 2005, and a 5A state championship in 2006.

The postseason begins Tuesday, and Marcus, a senior, would be a

fool to not want to capture similar successes before he graduates — but not just to be just like Brady. Marcus Jardine is his own person.

Bruins head coach Matt Harr, who coached both Marcus and Brady, talked of the comparisons and of areas of the game in which the brothers differ.

"Both are hard workers," Harr said. "The biggest thing is that they move well with the ball and crash the boards. Both lead by example and vocally. But Marcus gets a nod — he's a better free-throw shooter."

Harr can pinpoint when Marcus began to step out of his brother's shadow and make a name for himself.

"When Marcus decided to be

Marcus in the second half of last year, he turned it on," Harr said. "He's continued where he left off last year, and he's been our most solid player."

Those who know the brothers best, like dad Jeff, attest that as people, they're really different.

"Brady decided at an early age that basketball was his thing," Jeff Jardine said. "Marcus loves basketball, but he has other interests, too, like golf. Brady's more outgoing, and Marcus is quiet."

If Marcus is like any of his siblings, he said that he's more like sister Kelsey, also a Bruin basketball player and described by Jeff as

See **JARDINE**, Sports 8

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Speedskating, Netherlands

It took Sven Kramer barely six minutes to shake off four years of Olympic frustration.

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The 23-year-old pre-race favorite won in 6 minutes, 14.60, shaving six hundredths of a second off Jochem Uytendhaage's Olympic record set at altitude in Salt Lake City in 2002.

"I was dying in the end, so I think



Kramer

### OLYMPIC BRIEFS

**PRACTICALLY PERFECT, KEARNEY BEATS HEIL FOR GOLD**

WEST VANCOUVER, British Columbia (AP) — Hannah Kearney has won America's first gold medal of the Vancouver Olympics, winning the women's moguls by defeating Canadian Jenn Heil.

Kearney scored 26.63 points in the final Saturday night, to defeat Heil by the wide margin of .94 points. American Shannon Bahrke took bronze to add to her silver medal from 2002.

Kearney's win came after a 22nd-place finish at the Turin Olympics — a bitter disappointment after she came in as a favorite.

### PHOTO OF THE DAY



AP photo

USA's Apolo Anton Ohno holds up six fingers, the number of Olympic medals he has won, after winning silver in the men's 1500m finals short track skating competition.

See more, Sports 5

## Felix, CSI rally past Snow

Times-News

The Scenic West Athletic Conference men's basketball race just got a little more interesting.

Led by Carrick Felix's season-high 24 points, the College of Southern Idaho men's basketball team rallied past Snow College 81-72 Saturday in Ephraim, Utah, earning its first conference road sweep of the season.

CSI's win, combined

with first-place North Idaho College falling 82-80 at Salt Lake Community College on Saturday, puts the Golden Eagles in position to make a late run at the SWAC title.

"That really makes things interesting coming down the stretch," CSI head coach Steve Gosar told 1450 AM KEZJ. "With four games at home, we control our own destiny."



Felix

CSI (18-8, 10-6 SWAC) hosts No. 8 NIC (22-4, 12-4) on Friday and Saturday and caps the regular season with home dates against Colorado Northwestern and the College of Eastern Utah on Feb. 25 and 27.

After Friday's win at Salt Lake (20-6, 11-5), the Golden Eagles came out

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## CSI women collapse late in loss at Snow

Times-News

For 38 minutes, the Golden Eagles made just enough plays to put themselves in prime position for a road win.

But in the final two minutes, it all fell apart.

The College of Southern Idaho women's basketball



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team surrendered a 9-0 run to Snow College in the final 1:50 of the game, dropping a 64-58 game in Ephraim, Utah.

With league leader North Idaho College losing 72-61 at Salt Lake Community College on

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# Trojans tops Notus for state berth

By John Derr  
Times-News writer

GLENN'S FERRY — The Trojans went on the attack and it got them to the state tournament.

Tough defense, hard drives to the basket, attacking the boards — you name it, Raft River did it.

While things got interesting in the third quarter, Raft River put on a gutsy performance down the stretch to earn the 52-46 victory over the Notus Pirates in a Class1A Division I state play-in game at Glenns Ferry High School.

“It has been a long week, we just need to needed to play hard,” said senior Whitney Holtman, who tossed in 15 points. “We just had a little lapse in the

third quarter.”

Tenacious defense led the Trojans to an early lead, as their full-court pressure flustered the Pirates and led to easy layups.

Notus, which focused primarily on outside shooting, found a little success early with a pair of 3-pointers as the Trojans led 18-10 after one quarter. Holtman tallied six in the period, including two fast-break layups.

Raft River (16-10) dominated in the paint as senior post Chelzee Nye tallied a team-high 15 points.

“We knew they were a good team and we would have to play as a team,” said Nye.

Hailey Greenwood sliced through the lane in the second period as the Trojan lead grew to double digits. Tarah

Anderson tried to lift Notus, hitting back-to-back treys, but the advantage was 12 for Raft River at the break.

Anderson kept hitting from beyond the arc, adding three more in the third quarter as a once comfortable Trojan shrunk to just three. Hailey Higley’s bucket made it 44-39 heading into the final period.

Down the stretch, with the pressure on, the teams combined for more turnovers and missed buckets than made shots.

Kassie Ottley found the mark for Raft River on an offensive rebound, pushing the lead to seven. Anderson hit her sixth and final trey midway through the period to pull Notus within three, but she would not be able to find the mark again.

Anderson finished with a game-high 20 points.

Although Raft River missed seven free throws in the fourth period, Ottley calmly stepped to the line and sunk two foul shots with 51 seconds left to seal the victory.

“I felt confident because I knew I could make my free throws,” said Ottley.

Raft River will face Tri-Valley at 3 p.m. Thursday in the opening round of the state tournament at Columbia High School in Nampa.

**Raft River 52, Notus 46**  
Raft River 18 17 9 8 52  
Notus 10 13 16 7 46  
**RAFT RIVER (52)**  
Kassie Ottley (3) 9, Echo Hansen 2, Hailey Higley 2, Denali Manning 2, Whitney Holtman 14, Chelzee Nye 15, Hailey Greenwood 6. Totals 19 15 26 52.  
**NOTUS (46)**  
Yecinia Gomez 15, Bailey Buckingham 4, Jasmine Parra 3, Taylor Gumb 2, Tarah Anderson 20. Totals 17 4 7 46.  
3-point goals: Notus 8 (Tarah Anderson 6, Yecinia Gomez 2). Total fouls: Raft River 10, Notus 20. Fouled out: none. Technical fouls: none.

# Richfield punches ticket to state

By John Derr  
Times-News writer

GLENN'S FERRY — Richfield is going back to defend its title.

With the trio of the Tigers’ leading scorers struggling early, it was the rest of the team that picked it up and got the job done.

After a close first half, a 21-6 run in the third quarter led Richfield past the Garden Valley Wolverines 58-39 in a Class 1A Division II girls basketball state play-in game Saturday afternoon at Glenns Ferry High School.

Seeded No. 1 in the district tournament, the Tigers (18-4) lost consecutive close games to Dietrich and Carey, forcing them to the play-in game.

“It was tough after the second loss. We knew we had one more chance to get to state and that has been

our goal all year,” said Teenie Kent, who had a game-high 16 points, with 13 coming in the second half.

Garden Valley, the second seed out of District III, stayed close early. With the focus on Teenie and Sasha Kent, and Miriam Rivas that left somebody open.

In the first quarter it was Heidi Buckner who let it fly from beyond the arc, connecting on a pair as Richfield led 10-8 after one.

“I was thinking get me the ball because I am feeling it,” said Buckner, who tallied 10 points. “They were going to focus on our three scorers and we knew someone had to step up.”

In the second quarter it was Tawni Smith’s turn. She converted twice in the paint as the Tigers maintained a slim advantage.

“We knew we had to win this game and we just gave it all we had,” said Smith, who

finished with four points.

Sasha Kent spent much of the first half on the bench after picking up her third foul.

The Wolverines trailed by 22-18 at the half and had hopes of a rally. But they faltered under the constant pressure of Richfield’s full-court press, which forced several turnovers leading to easy baskets.

Teenie Kent found the range early in the third period, knocking down three from beyond the arc as the lead grew to double digits.

With more pressure on her outside, Teenie Kent drove the lane three straight times and each finished with a perfect assist to an open teammate for an easy basket.

“My outside shots weren’t always falling so I drove to the basket. I knew either I would have a shot or one of my teammates

would,” said Teenie Kent.

Victoria Hettenbach added some key rebounds and a pair of putbacks during the pivotal run.

“We knew we would have to step up and I was just on fire tonight,” said Hettenbach.

Chancey Jones, who paced Garden Valley with 23 points, led a late Wolverine charge with a trio of shots from the 3-point line, but it was too little too late.

Richfield will face Clark Fork in the opening round of the state tournament at 1:15 p.m., Thursday at Nampa High School.

**Richfield 58, Garden Valley 39**  
Richfield 10 12 21 15 58  
Garden Valley 8 10 15 15 39  
**RICHFIELD (58)**  
Sasha Kent 5, Miriam Rivas 10, Teenie Kent 16, Breanna Brockman 4, Heidi Buckner 10, Victoria Hettenbach 4, Tawni Smith 4, Danielle Edwards 5. Totals 25 2 6 58.  
**GARDEN VALLEY (39)**  
Tess McInally 12, Chancey Jones 23, Heather Madron 4. Totals 15 6 10 39 3-point goals: Richfield 8 (Heidi Buckner 2, Danielle Edwards, Teenie Kent 4, Sasha Kent, Garden Valley 3 (Chancey Jones 3). Total Fouls: Richfield 12, Garden Valley 6. Fouled out: none. Technical fouls: none.

# Gooding’s season ends with play-in loss

Times-News

Sadee Wattenbarger scored 20 points and Sheryl Bitter added 11 as Shelley defeated Gooding 54-43 in a Class 3A girls basketball state tournament play-in game in Pocatello on Saturday.

The Russets (13-12) jumped out to a 16-9 lead after one quarter of play and had a 40-25 edge heading into the final quarter.

Brittany Wirth scored 22 points in the loss for Gooding (13-11), which tried to stage a late rally but couldn’t make any substan-

tial cut into the deficit as its season came to an end.

Danielle Baker added nine points for the Senators, who were the fourth seed in the Sawtooth Central Idaho Conference Tournament but won three games against higher seeds to finish second in the tournament to Kimberly.

**Shelley 54, Gooding 43**  
Shelley 16 14 10 14 54  
Gooding 9 6 18 43  
**SHELLEY (54)**  
Angie Kidman 5, Lacey Hathaway 7, Mandy Kelley 2, Sadee Wattenbarger 20, Sheila Alderson 1, Katie Kelley 8, Sheryl Bitter 11. Totals 20 11 18 54.  
**GOODING (43)**  
Angela Vitek 5, Kourtney Agenbroad 2, Mackenzie Stevens 3, Danielle Baker 9, Carrie Baker 2, Brittany Wirth 22. Totals 18 4 6 43.  
3-point goals: Shelley 3 (Bitter, K. Kelley, Hathaway), Gooding 3 (Wirth 2, Vitek). Total fouls: Shelley 12, Gooding 16. Fouled out: Gooding, Stevens.

2010 GIRLS' IDAHO REAL DAIRY SHOOTOUT

Class 5A  
At Idaho Center, Nampa  
Thursday, Feb. 18

Game 1: Highland (20-3) vs. Eagle (16-7), 1:15 p.m.  
Game 2: Boise (22-1) vs. Coeur d'Alene (19-4), 3 p.m.  
Game 3: Centennial (21-2) vs. Meridian (16-7), 6:15 p.m.  
Game 4: Lewiston (19-2) vs. Mountain View (15-10), 8 p.m.

Class 3A  
At Skyview HS, Nampa  
Thursday, Feb. 18

Game 1: Weiser (14-8) vs. Shelley (13-12), 1:15 p.m.  
Game 2: Marsh Valley (18-4) vs. Kellogg-Timberlake winner, 3 p.m.  
Game 3: Kimberly (19-2) vs. Sugar-Salem (20-3), 6:15 p.m.  
Game 4: Priest River (16-6) vs. Fruitland-Payette winner, 8 p.m.

Class 4A  
At Mountain View HS, Meridian  
Thursday, Feb. 18

Game 1: Middleton (22-1) vs. Twin Falls (16-9), 1:15 p.m.  
Game 2: Moscow (7-15) vs. Rigby (17-8), 3 p.m.  
Game 3: Bonneville (23-0) vs. Bishop Kelly (17-6), 6:15 p.m.  
Game 4: Jerome (22-1) vs. Preston (16-6), 8 p.m.

Class 2A  
At Kuna HS  
Thursday, Feb. 18

Game 1: Declo (17-5) vs. Soda Springs (18-3), 1:15 p.m.  
Game 2: Firth (17-6) vs. Melba-New Plymouth winner, 3 p.m.  
Game 3: Parma (20-2) vs. West Jefferson (15-8), 6:15 p.m.  
Game 4: Grangeville-Kamiah winner vs. Malad (12-10), 8 p.m.

Class 1A Division I  
At Columbia HS, Nampa  
Thursday, Feb. 18

Game 1: Shoshone (17-6) vs. Clearwater Valley (18-5), 1:15 p.m.  
Game 2: Tri-Valley (19-3) vs. Raft River (16-10), 3 p.m.  
Game 3: Lapwai (21-2) vs. Liberty Charter (17-4), 6:15 p.m.  
Game 4: Challis (20-3) vs. Troy (20-5), 8 p.m.

Class 1A Division II  
At Nampa HS  
Thursday, Feb. 18

Game 1: Clark Fork (15-5) vs. Richfield (18-4), 1:15 p.m.  
Game 2: Dietrich (18-4) vs. Rockland (9-12), 3 p.m.  
Game 3: North Gem (17-4) vs. Summit Academy (16-5), 6:15 p.m.  
Game 4: Meadows Valley (14-4) vs. Carey (17-6), 8 p.m.

# CSI baseball splits DH with Cochise College

Times-News

The longest road trip of the year is almost over.

The College of Southern Idaho baseball team split a doubleheader with Cochise (Ariz.) College Saturday in Henderson, Nev., winning 6-5 in the opener and falling 5-3 in the second game of the day.

“We played well and so did Cochise. They’ve got a great club and it’s just like playing a conference game,” said CSI head coach Boomer Walker. “They’d compete for the title in our conference every year.”

Blake Lively’s bases-loaded walk-off single gave CSI (4-4) the win in the first game.

Kyle Beverly also had a big game for the Golden Eagles, according to Walker, while J.C. Paquin continued his torrid start to the season.

“I’d love it if he could bottle that up and be this hot in May,” Walker said.

The nightcap ended in crazy fashion as CSI had runners on second and third with one out in the top of the ninth inning down 5-3. Lionel Morrill hit a short fly ball to center field that wasn’t deep enough to score Ryan Cooperstone from third, Walker said, but the center fielder threw home anyway and air-mailed the catcher, allowing Cooperstone to scamper home.



Upon appeal, however, the third-base umpire ruled Cooperstone left too early even though he wasn’t trying to tag up.

“I’ve been around baseball a long time and to have one end like that, I’ve never had that happen. But that’s how it goes,” Walker said. “We had a few bad plays when we didn’t need them but overall the kids did a real good job. We’re not going to play perfect this time of year but we compete and that’s all you can ask for.”

CSI concludes its nine-game, nine-day road trip today with a single game against No. 6 Central Arizona, which the Golden Eagles defeated 13-1 on Friday. Central Arizona lost both halves of a doubleheader to No. 1 Southern Nevada on Saturday.

“We have four great teams playing in this tournament so it’s awesome,” Walker said. “It’s kind of a mini-regional tournament kind of thing. The games have been real good.”

Box scores for Saturday’s games were not available at press time.

**Friday's Late Box**  
**CSI 13, No. 6 Central Arizona 1,**  
**seventh innings**  
**CAC** 010 000 0 - 16 2  
**CSI** 241 204 x - 13 10 0  
Brian Carr, Cody Beam (3), Eric Wooten (6) and Max Rossiter, Mike Renner and Parker Morin. W: Renner (1-1), L: Carr (1-1).  
Extra-base hits - 2B: CAC, Rossiter; CSI, J.C. Paquin, Dale Anderson. HR: CAC, Jordan Guida (Top 2nd, 0 on, 2 out); CSI, Paquin (Bottom 1st, 1 on, 1 out).

# Salt Lake sweeps past CSI softball

Times-News

Four games, four victories for the Bruins.

Salt Lake Community College cemented its advantage over the College of Southern Idaho on the softball diamond Saturday, sweeping the second doubleheader in as many days over the Golden Eagles in St. George, Utah.

Salt Lake won Saturday’s games 5-0 and 6-1, moving to 22-0 on the season (8-0 Scenic West Athletic Conference). CSI fell to 13-11 (4-4 SWAC).

Saturday was a story of two bad innings for CSI, as it gave up four runs apiece in the third inning of the first game and the second inning of the nightcap.

“A team like Salt Lake will definitely show you your weaknesses and now we know what needs to happen. Over a 48-game conference schedule it’s definitely a marathon,” said



CSI coach Nick Baumert. “This whole weekend, I do think they beat us pretty much in all facets of the game, but we’re fairly close even though the score doesn’t show it.”

“I think the kids played fairly well, but Salt Lake just outplayed us in the fourth game stretch,” Lyndi Miller homered in the sixth inning of the nightcap for CSI’s only run of the day.

The Golden Eagles return home to Twin Falls this weekend to host Snow College.

**Game 1**  
**Salt Lake 5, CSI 0**  
**CSI** 000 000 0 - 0 3 0  
**Salt Lake** 004 010 x - 5 7 1  
Genera Nielson and Chelsea Nix; Sarah Clark, Reilee O'Brien (7) and Cyd Allen. W: Clark, L: Nielson (7-5).  
Extra-base hits - 2B: CSI, Kelsey Bryant; Salt Lake, Jordyn McDonald.  
**Game 2**  
**Salt Lake 6, CSI 1**  
**CSI** 000 001 0 - 1 4 2  
**Salt Lake** 141 000 x - 6 5 1  
Kelsey Bryant and Lyndi Miller; Jordyn McDonald, Reilee O'Brien (7) and Cyd Allen. W: McDonald, L: Bryant.  
Extra-base hits - HR: CSI, Miller; Salt Lake, McDonald.

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Toronto	29	23	.558	4
Philadelphia	20	32	.385	13
New York	19	32	.373	13½
New Jersey	4	48	.077	29
SOUTHEAST	W	L	Pct	GB
Orlando	36	18	.667	—
Atlanta	33	18	.647	1½
Charlotte	26	25	.510	8½
Miami	26	27	.491	9½
Washington	17	33	.340	17
CENTRAL	W	L	Pct	GB
Cleveland	43	11	.796	—
Chicago	25	26	.490	16½
Milwaukee	24	27	.471	17½
Detroit	18	33	.353	23½
Indiana	18	34	.346	24
SOUTHWEST	W	L	Pct	GB
Dallas	32	20	.615	—
San Antonio	27	24	.529	4½
New Orleans	28	25	.528	4½
Memphis	26	25	.510	5½
NORTHWEST	W	L	Pct	GB
Denver	35	18	.660	—
Utah	32	19	.627	2
Oklahoma City	30	21	.588	4
Portland	31	24	.564	5
Minnesota	13	40	.245	22
PACIFIC	W	L	Pct	GB
L.A. Lakers	41	13	.759	—
Phoenix	31	22	.585	9½
L.A. Clippers	21	31	.404	19
Sacramento	18	34	.346	22
Golden State	14	37	.275	25½
Friday's Games				
Saturday's Games				
No games scheduled				
Sunday's Games				
East vs. West at Arlington, TX, 6 p.m.				

Men's College Scores

Far West	
Arizona St. 61, Oregon 51	
BYU 91, Air Force 48	
Cal Poly 87, UC Riverside 84, 20T	
California 86, Washington St. 70	
IPFW 72, S. Utah 65, OT	
Idaho St. 73, N. Arizona 71, OT	
Montana St. 79, Portland St. 71	
New Mexico 68, Utah 65, OT	
Oregon St. 63, Arizona 55	
Pacific 71, CS Bakersfield 44	
Portland 80, Saint Mary's, Calif. 75, OT	
San Diego St. 68, UNLV 58	
Seattle 98, Sacramento St. 67	
TCU 76, Wyoming 68	
UC Irvine 69, UC Davis 67	
UC Santa Barbara 64, Long Beach St. 62	
Washington 78, Stanford 61	
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Houston 66, SMU 60	
Jackson St. 51, Prairie View 44	
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S. Illinois 80, Evansville 64	
Saint Louis 68, Dayton 65, 20T	
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Wisconsin 83, Indiana 50	
Wright St. 67, Wisconsin Bay 54	
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Alabama 73, Arkansas 68	
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Alcorn St. 55, MSU 54	
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Ark.-Pine Bluff 66, Southern U. 62	
Belmont 70, S.C.-Upstate 57	
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Coastal Carolina 52, Radford 51	
Coppin St. 79, S. Carolina St. 61	
Davidson 75, W. Carolina 72	
Delaware St. 67, Bethune-Cookman 50	
Duke 77, Maryland 56	
Florida A&M 80, Md.-Eastern Shore 71	
Furman 87, Chattanooga 78	
Georgia 66, South Carolina 61	
High Point 73, Charleston Southern 68	
Hofstra 87, UNC Wilmington 70	
Howard 59, N. Carolina A&T 49	
Jacksonville 69, Stetson 54	
James Madison 76, Va. Commonwealth 71	
Kentucky 73, Tennessee 62	
Liberty 69, Gardner-Webb 61	
Louisiana Tech 66, Hawaii 60	
Marshall 81, UAB 74	
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Morgan St. 79, Winston-Salem 65	
Murray St. 75, Jacksonville St. 67	
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The Citadel 77, Elon 72	
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Buffalo 70, Kent St. 55  
Cincinnati 60, Connecticut 48  
Colgate 75, American U. 74, 20T  
Columbia 66, Penn 62  
Cornell 48, Princeton 45  
Drexel 68, Delaware 60  
George Washington 78, Fordham 53  
Harvard 81, Brown 67  
Lafayette 83, Navy 77  
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Michigan St. 65, Penn St. 54  
Monmouth, N.J. 76, Wagner 67  
Mount St. Mary's, Md. 77, Fairleigh Dickinson 67  
Quinnipiac 80, Long Island 72  
Richmond 68, St. Bonaventure 49  
Robert Morris 52, Bryant 42  
Sacred Heart 62, St. Francis, NY 50  
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Towson 74, Georgia St. 69  
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Yale 69, Dartmouth 56

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CS Northridge 72, Cal St.-Fullerton 64	
Cal Poly 58, UC Riverside 51	
Fresno St. 71, New Mexico 60	
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Idaho 74, Hawaii 59	
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Long Beach St. 65, UC Santa Barbara 62	
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Texas Tech 65, Oklahoma St. 57	
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Fla. International 55, Troy 47	
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MSU 65, UTEP 56	
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N. Carolina A&T 80, Howard 57	
North Florida 57, Florida Gulf Coast 56	
Richmond 70, Rhode Island 46	
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S.C.-Upstate 90, Belmont 57	
SE Louisiana 72, Nicholls St. 68	
Samford 73, Davidson 57	
South Alabama 79, Louisiana-Lafayette 59	
Southern U. 67, Ark.-Pine Bluff 50	
Stephen F. Austin 85, McNeese 57	
Tennessee St. 68, Austin Peay 57	
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Tulane 56, East Carolina 51	
UNC Asheville 66, Presbyterian 59	
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Winthrop 56, Radford 52	
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Connecticut 66, St. John's 52	
Dayton 74, Massachusetts 60	
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Fairleigh Dickinson 55, Mount St. Mary's, Md. 44	
Harvard 66, Brown 51	
Holy Cross 65, Bucknell 60	
La Salle 70, Fordham 62	
Long Island U. 66, Quinnipiac 54	
Manhattan 55, Niagara 53	
Monmouth, N.J. 69, Wagner 56	
Navy 62, Lafayette 42	
Princeton 72, Cornell 49	
Robert Morris 74, Bryant 72	
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GAME PLAN

LOCAL

COLLEGE BASEBALL  
Southern Nevada Tournament  
At Henderson, Nev.  
10 a.m.  
CSI vs. Central Arizona

TV SCHEDULE

AUTO RACING  
10 a.m.  
FOX — NASCAR, Sprint Cup, Daytona 500  
6 p.m.  
ESPN2 — NHRA, Winternationals, final eliminations, at Pomona, Calif. (same-day tape)

BOWLING  
1 p.m.  
ESPN — PBA, USBC Masters  
GOLF  
7:30 a.m.  
TGC — European PGA Tour, Avantha Masters, final round, at New Delhi (same-day tape)

11 a.m.  
TGC — PGA Tour, Pebble Beach National Pro-Am, final round

1 p.m.  
CBS — PGA Tour, Pebble Beach National Pro-Am, final round

5 p.m.  
TGC — Champions Tour, The ACE Group Classic, final round (same-day tape)

MEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL  
11 a.m.  
CBS — Ohio St. at Illinois  
ESPN — Louisville at Syracuse  
5:30 p.m.  
FSN — Boston College at Florida St.  
8 p.m.  
FSN — UCLA at Southern Cal

GOLF

AT&T Pebble Beach National Pro-Am	
Saturday	
Pebble Beach, Calif.	
Purse: \$6.2 million	
P-Pebble Beach Golf Links, 6,816 Yards, Par 72	
M-Monterey Peninsula CC, 6,828 Yards, Par 70	
S-Spyglass Hill GC, 6,953 Yards, Par 72	
Third Round	
Dustin Johnson	64p-68m-64s-196 -18
Paul Goydos	67m-65s-64p-196 -18
Bryce Molder	67p-65m-68s-200 -14
J.B. Holmes	65p-67m-68s-200 -14
Matt Jones	65m-67p-66m-200 -14
Alex Cejka	65m-67s-69p-201 -13
David Duval	67s-68p-67m-202 -12
J.P. Hayes	68s-71p-63m-202 -12
Steve Marino	68m-67s-67p-202 -12
Tom Pernice, Jr.	67m-69s-67p-203 -11
D.J. Trahan	67p-67m-69s-203 -11
K.J. Choi	65p-67m-68s-203 -11
Phil Mickelson	68m-67s-69p-204 -10
Greg Owen	71s-67p-66m-204 -10
Marquette O'Hern	69s-72p-64m-205 -9
Alre Plugh	68s-68p-69m-205 -9
Bake Adams	65m-74s-66p-205 -9
Padraig Harrington	69s-67p-69m-205 -9
Justin Reiter	70p-67m-68p-207 -7
Rod Pampling	67m-70s-67p-206 -8
John Senden	67s-71p-68m-206 -8
Luke Donald	70p-65m-71s-206 -8
Sergio Garcia	68m-71s-67p-206 -8
Tim Clark	70s-68p-68m-206 -8
Tom Gillis	69s-68p-69m-206 -8
Jeff Maggert	70p-67m-66p-206 -8
Vijay Singh	65m-71s-70p-206 -8
Vaughn Taylor	69s-69p-68m-206 -8
Robert Snedeker	72s-68p-66m-206 -8
Jim Furyk	68p-69m-69s-206 -8
Spencer Levin	68m-69p-71s-206 -8
Steve Elkington	69s-67p-71s-207 -7
Kevin Streelman	70p-67m-72p-207 -7
Michael Letzig	67m-74s-66p-207 -7
Nick Watney	71p-66m-70s-207 -7
UNC Asheville 66, Presbyterian 59	
W. Carolina 75, Elon 48	
W. Illinois 61, Centenary 50	
Winthrop 56, Radford 52	
Akron 63, Buffalo 57	
American U. 82, Colgate 47	
Boston U. 69, Albany, N.Y. 65	
Cincinnati 66, Syracuse 62, OT	
Columbia 66, Penn 62	
Cornell 48, Princeton 45	
Connecticut 66, St. John's 52	
Dayton 74, Massachusetts 60	
Fairfield 66, Canisius 61	
Fairleigh Dickinson 55, Mount St. Mary's, Md. 44	
Harvard 66, Brown 51	
Holy Cross 65, Bucknell 60	
La Salle 70, Fordham 62	
Long Island U. 66, Quinnipiac 54	
Manhattan 55, Niagara 53	
Monmouth, N.J. 69, Wagner 56	
Navy 62, Lafayette 42	
Princeton 72, Cornell 49	
Robert Morris 74, Bryant 72	
Rutgers 49, Villanova 36	
Saint Joseph's 71, Saint Louis 67	
South Florida 53, Seton Hall 58	
St. Francis, NY 64, Sacred Heart 63	
St. Francis, Pa. 64, Cent. Connecticut St. 45	
St. Peter's 53, Siena 45	
Stony Brook 59, Maine 47	
Temple 79, Charlotte 68	
UMBC 54, New Hampshire 40	
Vermont 64, Binghamton 39	
Xavier 74, Duquesne 55	
Yale 70, Dartmouth 66, 20T	

NBA BASKETBALL

6:30 p.m.  
TNT — All-Star Game, at Arlington, Texas  
OLYMPICS  
11 a.m.

NBC — Women's speed skating: 3000m Gold Medal final; Nordic combined: K-95 jumping individual and 10km cross country individual Gold Medal finals; men's luge: singles; men's biathlon: 10km sprint Gold Medal final

1 p.m.  
USA — Women's ice hockey: U.S. vs. China

5 p.m.  
NBC — LIVE: figure skating: pairs short program; men's freestyle skiing: moguls Gold Medal final; SAME-DAY TAPE: men's luge: singles Gold Medal final; women's alpine skiing: super combined Gold Medal final

5:30 p.m.  
CNBC — Women's ice hockey: Finland vs. Russia

9:35 p.m.  
NBC — Award Ceremonies (same-day tape)

RODEO  
6 p.m.  
VERSUS — PBR, Express Classic (same-day tape)

WOMEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL  
1 p.m.  
ESPN2 — Regional coverage, Houston at SMU, Arkansas at South Carolina, or DePaul at Notre Dame  
3 p.m.  
FSN — California at Washington  
3:30 p.m.  
ESPN2 — Regional coverage, Louisville at Pittsburgh, Mississippi at Mississippi St., or Miami at N.C. State

Champions Tour

The Ace Group Classic	
Saturday	
At The Quarry Naples, Fla.	
Purse: \$1.6 million	
Yardage: 7,094 - Par: 72	
Partial Second Round	
Play Was Suspended Due To Darkness.	
Bernhard Langer	73-66-139 -5
Joe Ozaki	72-68-140 -4
Loren Roberts	72-69-141 -3

# Robinson becomes 3-time dunk champion

DALLAS (AP) — New York's Nate Robinson is the NBA's first three-time slam dunk champion.

Robinson barely won another title during Saturday night's All-Star festivities, garnering 51 percent of the fan vote to hold off Toronto rookie DeMar DeRozan, who advanced to the final round after getting a perfect score of 50 on his second dunk of the first round.

The final dunk for the 5-foot-9 Robinson came when he threw the ball off the backboard, grabbed it and turned midair for a two-handed backward slam.

Robinson was joined on the court for the final round by several Dallas Cowboys cheerleaders, though they weren't used as props for any of his dunks.

"They're way too beautiful for that," Robinson said. "I just wanted them to stand over there and cheer."

After his final slam, Robinson celebrated by grabbing a pair of silver and blue pom-poms from one of them and waving them in the air.

DeRozan got a spot in the competition by winning the first-ever All-Star Slam Dunk-In, beating Los Angeles Clippers guard Eric Gordon at halftime of the rookie challenge on Friday night.

Charlotte's Gerald Wallace and Shannon Brown of the Los Angeles Lakers were eliminated after the first round in Saturday night's marquee event.

While Robinson reigned again, Boston's



AP photo  
New York Knick guard Nate Robinson soars toward the basket during the slam dunk contest at the NBA basketball All-Star Saturday Night on Saturday in Dallas.

Paul Pierce arrived for All-Star weekend wanting to make up for an embarrassing performance.

Consider it done.

Pierce won the 3-Point Shootout, proving his lackluster performance the last time

he was in the competition was an aberration.

"I wanted this really bad," Pierce said after celebrating with teammate Kevin Garnett, who was sitting courtside. "They don't look at me as a shooter, but more of a scorer."

Pierce had 20 points in the final round, making all five of the 2-point money balls, to beat Golden State's Stephen Curry (17) and Denver's Chauncey Billups (14).

When Pierce last competed in the Shootout in 2002, he scored only eight points — what he called leading into this week's competition "almost a record low."

Defending 3-point champion Daequan Cook of Miami was eliminated after the first round. His 15 points were the same as Phoenix's Channing Frye and New York's Danilo Gallinari. Curry had 18 points in the first round, while Pierce and Billups had 17.

Phoenix Suns guard Steve Nash also was a winner Saturday night, beating the young guys to capture another Skills Challenge title.

Nash, who turned 36 last Sunday, became a two-time Skills champion when he beat a trio of 20-somethings.

It's been quite a run this weekend for the Canadian, who helped light the Olympic cauldron at Friday's opening ceremonies in Vancouver, British Columbia. He also will be on the court Sunday for the All-Star game in the same arena where he played from 1998-2004.

## Mavs, Wizards complete deal with Howard, Butler

DALLAS (AP) — The Mavericks traded forward Josh Howard and Drew Gooden to the Washington Wizards on Saturday in a seven-player deal that sends Caron Butler and center Brendan Haywood to Dallas.

Howard was in his seventh season with Dallas, a span filled with promise and disappointment since being the 29th overall pick in 2003. Gooden, signed by Dallas last summer, will be going to his eighth team in eight NBA seasons.

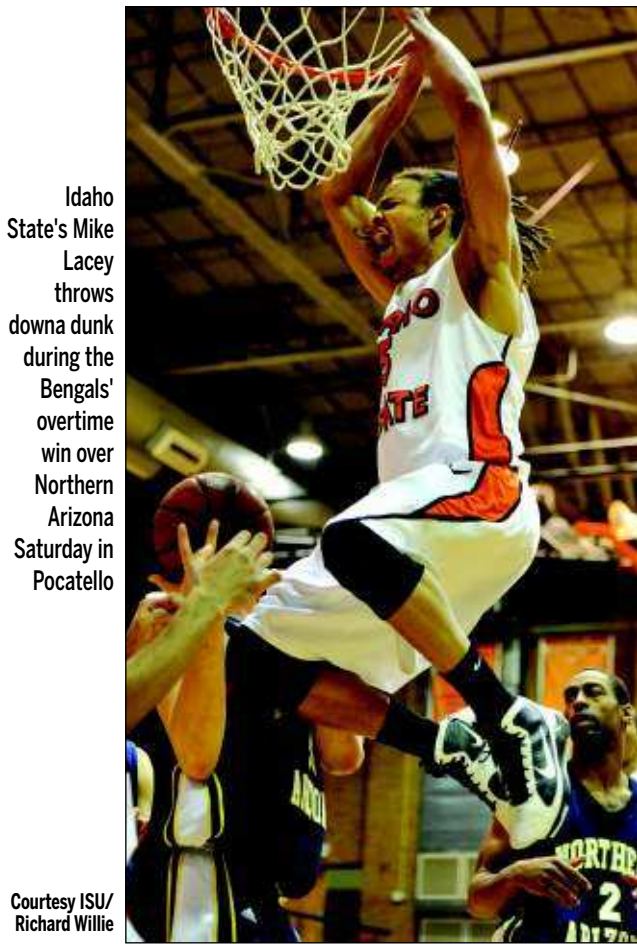
It is a significant move for the Southwest Division-leading Mavericks (32-20), a deal announced just before the start of the Saturday night All-Star activities in their home arena.

Dallas lost five of its seven games before the All-Star break, and play four games in five nights starting Tuesday in Oklahoma City.

"It makes us significantly better," Mavericks owner Mark Cuban said.

For the Wizards (17-33), the trade appears to signal the breaking up of a team that was expected to contend for a playoff spot.

The Wizards had already lost Gilbert Arenas and Javaris Crittenton when both were suspended last month by the NBA for the rest of the season. Both admitted to bringing a gun into the locker room after a dispute stemming from a card game on a team flight.



Idaho State's Mike Lacey throws down a dunk during the Bengals' overtime win over Northern Arizona Saturday in Pocatello

Courtesy ISU/  
Richard Willie

# ISU men beat NAU in OT

POCATELLO — Broderick Gilchrest scored 21 points as Idaho State beat Northern Arizona in overtime 73-71, in Big Sky Conference play on Saturday night.

In regulation, the Lumberjacks (7-18, 4-9) tied the game 64-64 on a layup by DeAngelo Jones off an inbound play with eight-tenths of a second remaining. The Lumberjacks rallied from six points down 58-seconds left in the game to force overtime.

The Lumberjack's trailed 72-69 with four-seconds remaining in overtime. DeAngelo Jones was fouled on a three-point attempt, but was only able to convert on two free throws.

Gilchrest was fouled and hit 1 of 2 free throws to put his team up by two with two-seconds left. DeAngelo Jones tried a desperation shot at the buzzer that would not have counted but missed anyway.

Cameron Jones led the Lumberjacks with 22 points, and Shane Johannsen had 18.

Amorror Morgan had 15 points. Demetrius Monroe added 10 points and nine rebounds for the Bengals.

Trailing by 11 points at the half, the Lumberjacks started the second half with a 15-5 run to cut Idaho States lead to, 39-38, with 12:32 remaining. The Bengals responded with a 9-0 run of their own to go up 48-38 with 8:34 left, before NAU rallied again.

**NEVADA 88, BSU 80, OT**

Former College of Southern Idaho star Daequan Montreal got Boise State to overtime, hitting a 3-pointer with 11 seconds left in regulation. But the Broncos couldn't keep pace from there, falling 88-80 to Nevada in

Reno on Saturday.

The Wolf Pack (15-9, 7-4 Western Athletic Conference) got 27 points from Luke Babbitt, including eight in overtime, while Armon Johnson scored 24 and former CSI player Joey Shaw added 16.

Montreal finished with 18 for the Broncos, who were 1-for-17 from 3-point range. Ike Okoye's game-high 32 points paced BSU (11-14), which fell to 2-10 in WAC play.

**IDAHO 68, FRESNO ST. 59**

Mac Hopson had 20 points, eight rebounds and six assists to lead the University of Idaho men's basketball team to a 68-59 win over Fresno State on Saturday night in Fresno, Calif., to complete a season sweep of the Bulldogs.

The Vandals (12-12, 4-8 WAC) got 16 points from Luciano de Souza and 10 from Marvin Jefferson in the win. Idaho scored 40 points after halftime, at which point the game was tied at 28.

The Bulldogs (13-13, 6-6) had four players in double figures, led by Sylvester Seay's 14.

**UTAH ST. 81, SAN JOSE ST. 65**

Nate Bendall scored 18 points and Jared Quayle added 14 as Utah State cruised to an 81-65 win at San Jose State on Saturday.

The Aggies (20-6, 10-2 Western Athletic Conference) also got 13 points from Tyler Newbold, 12 from Tai Wesley and 11 from Pooh Williams.

The Spartans (12-12, 5-7) were led by Adrian Oliver's game-high 28 points.

— staff and wire reports

# New Mexico survives Utah's upset bid, 68-65

SALT LAKE CITY — Roman Martinez scored 15 points, including a tie-breaking 3-pointer late in overtime to put No. 15 New Mexico up for good in a 68-65 win over Utah on Saturday night, the Lobos' ninth straight victory.

Dairese Gary scored 19 and Darrington Hobson finished with 11 assists, 10 rebounds and eight points for the Lobos (23-3, 9-2 Mountain West).

New Mexico led most of the game but couldn't put away from the Utes (11-13, 4-6) until overtime. It was only the Lobos' second win in their last 21 visits to Utah.

Marshall Henderson scored 21 and Carlon Brown had 18 points for Utah, including a 3-pointer to tie it at 60 with about 2 seconds left in regulation.



AP photo  
Utah's Jason Washburn (42) attempts to stop New Mexico's Dairese Gary (5) during the first half Saturday in Salt Lake City.

**NO. 17 BYU 91, AIR FORCE 48**

PROVO, Utah — Senior forward Jonathan Tavernari came off the bench to score a season-high 19 points and Jackson Emery added 18 to lead BYU.

Tavernari hit five consecutive 3-pointers and scored 17 points during a decisive 28-5 run midway through the first half.

The win was the 20th straight at home for BYU (23-3, 8-2) and it moved the Cougars into a first-place tie in the Mountain West Conference with No. 15 New Mexico.

Mike Fitzgerald scored 13 points to lead Air Force (9-15, 1-10), which lost its 10th straight to BYU and the 15th in a row on the road in conference play.

**NO. 1 KANSAS 73, IOWA STATE 59**

LAWRENCE, Kan. — Xavier Henry and Tyshawn Taylor fueled a 14-0 run that turned a tight game into the laughter that everyone expected, and No. 1 Kansas romped to coach Bill Self's 400th career victory.

Self, who has coached fewer than 17 full seasons and spent the week playing down the milestone win, was given the game ball and a huge ovation right after the buzzer.

**NO. 3 KENTUCKY 73, NO. 12 TENNESSEE 62**

LEXINGTON, Ky. — John Wall had 24 points — one short of his career high — and Eric Bledsoe added 16 as No. 3 Kentucky fought off No. 12 Tennessee.

Down 52-50 midway through the second half after a three-point play by J.P. Prince, Kentucky (24-1, 9-1) scored the next 10 points — six of them by Wall — to give John Calipari his first win over Bruce Pearl in a Southeastern Conference matchup.

**NO. 4 VILLANOVA 92, PROVIDENCE 81**

PHILADELPHIA — Scottie Reynolds and Corey Fisher scored 22 points each to help Villanova (22-2, 11-1 Big East) moved into a tie with Syracuse atop the Big East standings.

Providence (12-13, 4-9) had its second win over a Top 25 team in sight until two costly fouls were called on Sharaud Curry with 8 min-

utes left. Curry fouled Reynolds and snapped at the referee — a personal and a technical that gave him five fouls and sent Reynolds to the line for four shots. Reynolds made three of them for a 67-60 lead.

**NO. 6 PURDUE 63, IOWA 40**

WEST LAFAYETTE, Ind. — JaJuan Johnson had 21 points and 10 rebounds and Purdue won its seventh straight.

E'Twaun Moore had 11 points and Chris Kramer anchored the defense with four steals for the Boilermakers (21-3, 9-3 Big Ten).

**NO. 8 DUKE 77, MARYLAND 56**

DURHAM, N.C. — Jon Scheyer scored 22 points and Duke marked coach Mike Krzyzewski's 1,000th game at the school.

Brian Zoubek had 16 points and 17 rebounds for the first-place Blue Devils (21-4, 9-2 Atlantic Coast Conference).

**NO. 9 KANSAS ST. 68, COLORADO 51**

MANHATTAN, Kan. — Jacob Pullen had 15 points and 10 assists to lead, and the Wildcats (20-4, 7-3 Big 12) won their ninth straight over Colorado (11-13, 2-8).

Curtis Kelly had 12 points and 11 rebounds, and Jamar Samuels added 12 points to give Kansas State 20 wins in four straight seasons for the first time.

**NO. 10 MICHIGAN ST. 65, PENN ST. 54**

STATE COLLEGE, Pa. — Kalin Lucas returned to the starting lineup and scored 24 points as Michigan State ended a three-game losing streak.

Durrell Summers and Delvon Roe scored all the points in a 13-0 second-half run that gave the Spartans (20-6, 10-3 Big Ten) a 57-46 lead.

**NO. 11 WISCONSIN 83, INDIANA 55**

MADISON, Wis. — Jason Bohannon had seven 3-pointers and a career-high 30 points to help

Wisconsin rebound from a surprising home loss.

Trevon Hughes added 16 points and Wisconsin (19-6, 9-4 Big Ten) showed no lingering effects after a loss to Illinois on Tuesday, their first after 51 straight wins against unranked conference foes at home under coach Bo Ryan.

**NO. 14 TEXAS 91, NEBRASKA 51**

AUSTIN, Texas — Avery Bradley scored 20 points in the first half and the Longhorns shot 61 percent in the first half against the Big 12's stingiest scoring defense.

Bradley, who finished 6 of 7 from 3-point range, made five in the first half as Texas built a 53-26 lead. The Longhorns outscored the Cornhuskers 22-4 over the final 6 minutes of the half.

**NO. 18 BUTLER 70, CLEVELAND ST. 59**

CLEVELAND — Matt Howard and Gordon Hayward had double-doubles and Butler extended the nation's longest winning streak to 15 games.

The Bulldogs (23-4, 16-0) tied the school record for consecutive wins set in 1999-2000 and matched the best start in Horizon League conference play set by Wisconsin-Green Bay in 1995-96.

**BRADLEY 68, NO. 19 NORTHERN IOWA 59**

PEORIA, Ill. — Andrew Warren scored 15 points and Bradley rallied from a nine-point halftime deficit to keep Northern Iowa from winning its first outright Missouri Valley Conference regular season championship.

Chris Roberts scored 13 points for the Braves (13-12, 8-7), while Taylor Brown and Will Egolf both had 12.

**WAKE FOREST 75, NO. 20 GEORGIA TECH 64**

WINSTON-SALEM, N.C. — Al-Farouq Aminu had 19 points and 10 rebounds and Wake Forest moved into sole possession of second place in the Atlantic Coast Conference.

Ishmael Smith had the clinching hoop with just over a minute left and surpassed 1,000 career points for the surging Demon Deacons (18-5, 8-3), who won their fourth straight game.

**NO. 21 TEMPLE 78, RHODE ISLAND 56**

PHILADELPHIA — Micheal Eric scored a career-high 19 points and Temple set a school record for shooting.

**NO. 22 VANDERBILT 77, LSU 69**

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — Reserve Lance Goulbourne scored 11 of his career-high 18 points in the second half for Vanderbilt.

**SAN DIEGO ST. 68, NO. 23 UNLV 58**

SAN DIEGO — Billy White scored 19 points and freshman Kawhi Leonard had a double-double for San Diego State with 13 points and 14 rebounds.

**NO. 24 BAYLOR 64, MISSOURI 62**

WACO, Texas — Ekpe Udoh's tip-in with 1.3 seconds remaining capped a wild finish and gave Baylor the win.

— The Associated Press

# Johnson, Goydos tied for lead at Pebble Beach



AP photo  
Paul Goydos waves after putting on the No. 18 green during the third round of the AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am golf tournament at Pebble Beach Golf Links in Pebble Beach, Calif., Saturday.

PEBBLE BEACH, Calif. — Dustin Johnson and Paul Goydos could not be any more different, which is why it was so odd to see them atop the leaderboard Saturday at the Pebble Beach National Pro-Am with identical scores.

On their birth certificates, Goydos is 20 years older. On the tee, Johnson is 48 yards longer. Johnson is tall and athletic. Goydos is ... not.

They played with the gifts they have, and they used them brilliantly on a gorgeous afternoon that gives Pebble Beach such iconic status as America's most famous seaside course.

Johnson overpowered Spyglass Hill for an 8-under 64 that included two eagles. Goydos poked his way along the splendid coastline of Pebble Beach and birdied two of the last three holes for an 8-

under 64.

Nothing separated them on the scoreboard, which is all that matters. They were at 18-under 196, four shots clear of anyone else heading into the final round.

"His game is a little different from mine," said Johnson, who will try to become only the fifth back-to-back winner of the Pebble Beach National Pro-Am, and the first in 20 years. "And he finds a way to get it done."

Johnson began his round at Spyglass Hill with a 343-yard drive, leaving him a hybrid for his second shot on the 595-yard hole. It rolled past the pin, and he made a 20-foot eagle from the fringe.

Goydos ripped a 268-yard drive on the par-5 second hole at Pebble Beach, leaving him a 3-wood into the 513-yard hole that he hit to 8 feet for an eagle.

J.B. Holmes and Bryce Molder

each had a 68 at Spyglass Hill, while Matt Jones had a 66 on the Shore Course at Monterey Peninsula. They were tied for third at 14-under 200.

David Duval had a 67 and was tied for seventh. Phil Mickelson had a 69 at Pebble Beach and was eight shots out of the lead.

The biggest star Saturday was the weather, some of the most spectacular conditions this tournament has seen in years. Along the coast of Pebble Beach, huge swells crashed against the rocks and the sea wall.

"The ocean was angry today," Goydos said. "What they've got here is God's gift to golf."

**COUPLES LEADS ACE GROUP CLASSIC**  
NAPLES, Fla. — Fred Couples moved into position for his first Champions Tour victory, topping the ACE Group Classic at 9 under

during the suspended second round.

Making his second Champions Tour start, Couples was 5 under for the round with three holes left when play was suspended because of darkness. He made a 48-foot putt from well off the green on the par-5 12th for eagle, then holed a 12-footer for birdie on the par-3 13th at The Quarry.

The 50-year-old Couples is coming off a 37th-place tie last week in the PGA Tour's Northern Trust Open at Riviera. He made two senior starts in Hawaii last month, teaming with Nick Price to finish third in the exhibition Champions Skins, then losing to Tom Watson by a stroke in the Mitsubishi Electric Championship.

Dan Forsman was three strokes back.

— The Associated Press

# Danica wrecks in debut

Patrick still confident she will have success

DAYTONA BEACH, Fla. (AP) — Even as her mangled race car belched steam from its radiator in the back-ground, Danica Patrick remained confident she would have good days in NASCAR.

This wasn't one of them. Making her NASCAR debut, Patrick ran outside the top 20 for most of Saturday's Nationwide Series race at Daytona International Speedway before getting caught up in a 12-car wreck just past the race's halfway point.

Patrick was hoping to learn as much as she could about a new style of racing. She ended up going to the school of hard knocks.

"It's important to have realistic expectations," Patrick said. "There's going to be spikes in performance, I don't doubt that. But there's also going to be tough days. And today, I would say, was more of a tough day."

Tony Stewart went on to win the race for the fifth time in six years.

And it was an expensive day for Dale Earnhardt Jr., who went airborne in a frightening wreck later in the race. He and Patrick both escaped without significant injuries.



AP photo  
NASCAR Driver Danica Patrick, right, slides down the front stretch after crashing with Colin Braun, center, and Josh Wise, left, during the NASCAR DRIVE4COPD 300 Nationwide series race at Daytona International Speedway in Daytona Beach, Fla., Saturday.

Earnhardt is a co-owner of the JR Motorsports team, which now must find the money to repair Patrick's car and completely replace the one Earnhardt wrecked — a bill that could total \$200,000.

But budget concerns aside, Earnhardt praised Patrick's ability. According to Earnhardt, the fact that she wasn't running near the front Saturday doesn't mean she can't be competitive in NASCAR right away.

"This is such a different kind of racing than she'll do the rest of the season," Earnhardt said. "I think that everybody should just take Daytona for what it is."

Stewart said the experience Patrick gained was more important than the result.

"She got a lot of laps in today, and that's what needed to happen," Stewart said. "It would have been a

disaster if she had been taken out on the second lap and didn't get a chance to learn anything."

Patrick finished sixth in last week's ARCA event at Daytona, and felt comfortable enough to move her NASCAR debut up a week to the Nationwide opener. The IndyCar star went into Saturday's start saying her main goals were finishing the race, staying out of trouble and learning as much as she can.

One out of three wasn't what she had in mind.

After slipping outside the top 20 in the first few laps of the race, Patrick made a nice move to narrowly avoid a big wreck early on. Trevor Bayne was turned into the wall, touching off a seven-car crash. The accident happened right in front of Patrick, who swerved to the low side of the track to miss it.

Patrick fell to the back of

the pack after that, running a long stretch of the race outside the top 30.

Her team made suspension adjustments during a pit stop in an attempt to improve the car's handling. Patrick then moved up to the middle of the pack before several cars wrecked in front of her. She tried to duck low to avoid the spinning cars but was unable to dodge everything, slamming into the outside wall.

Patrick regained control and drove to the pits. Her crew pushed the car back to the garage with heavy damage to the front.

"I wish I would have run up there at the beginning and felt more comfortable, but I just didn't," Patrick said.

"And that just proves how hard it is out here, and how much there is to learn and how good all these drivers really are."

# Ohno claims sixth medal with silver

VANCOUVER, British Columbia — Apolo Anton Ohno glided around the ice with a U.S. flag tucked under an arm, flashing a handful of fingers plus one.

That makes six, as in matching Bonnie Blair as the most decorated Winter Olympian from the United States.

This one was a silver in the 1,500 meters, and it typified the wild world of short-track speedskating. Ohno was fourth going into the last turn when two of the three Koreans in front of him wiped out, giving him a clear stretch to the finish line behind Lee Jung-su of South Korea.

Being in the right place at the right time, Ohno put the United States on the medals stand for the first time at the Vancouver Games. Teammate J.R. Celski earned the bronze, and that pair of medals was enough to vault the Americans into an early tie atop the medals list.

There was a good chance that would grow in the final event Saturday night, women's moguls. Hannah Kearney qualified first and Heather McPhie was third. Shannon Bahrke was sixth and Michelle Roark seventh.

Of course, the first day of competition was filled with Vancouver Olympics firsts, such as Swiss ski jumper Simon Ammann landing the first of 86 gold medals to be awarded and Dutch speed-skater Sven Kramer setting the first Olympic record while winning the 5,000 meters.

It also was a day of continued mourning for the 21-year-old luger from the republic of Georgia who died Friday, and all sorts of fallout from it.



AP photo  
Switzerland's Simon Ammann celebrates winning the gold medal during the ski jumping normal hill competition at the Vancouver 2010 Olympics in Whistler, British Columbia, Canada, Saturday.

'06, when he failed to advance to the final round.

"I'm back at the top of the world," said Ammann, who became the first two-time champion on the normal hill and matched Finnish great Matti Nykanen's record of three individual golds.

With Vice President Joe Biden watching, none of the three U.S. ski jumpers made it to the final round. Peter Frenette and Nick Alexander tied for 41st, while Anders Johnson was 49th.

## SPEEDSKATING

In the 5,000 meters, a trio of Americans failed to crack the top 10 — but they dominated the next 10. Chad Hedrick finished 11th, with Shani Davis 12th and Trevor Marsicano 14th.

Haralds Silovs of Latvia entered the record books, too, becoming the first Olympian to compete in long and short track events — and doing it on the same day. Silovs finished 20th in the 5,000 meters on the big oval around midday, then finished fifth in the B finals of the 1,500 around the short track at night.

## LUGE

Competition began on a repaired, reconfigured track the day after a 21-year-old luger from the republic of Georgia died following a crash during a training run.

The men were pushed up 600 feet to the women's start ramp, while women and doubles moved 800 feet to the junior start ramp.

The changes produced slower speeds, as intended. They also drew some backlash, with the Canadians saying they lost their home-ice advantage and a top American luge official saying, "The elite deserve to race from the hardest test."

After practice in the morning, the race began at night with IOC president Jacques Rogge and Vancouver organizing chief John Furlong in attendance. A moment of silence was held in memory of 21-year-old Nodar Kumaritashvili, and his photo was displayed on the video scoreboard near the finish line.

## SKI JUMPING

If Ammann's name doesn't ring a bell, maybe this will: He's the Swiss ski jumper who looked a lot like Harry Potter back at the 2002 Olympics, when he won two gold.

Now 28 — and no longer a double for the boy wizard — Ammann's victory was decisive, as he posted the longest jumps in both rounds. It was an impressive rebound from

# Martin looking for elusive victory in Daytona 500

DAYTONA BEACH, Fla. (AP) — Mark Martin was driving in the middle of a pack when things got a little dicey during his qualifying race Thursday.

Cars were ducking high and low, sliding left and right, banging, bumping and battling for every inch around Daytona International Speedway.

Martin backed off.

The 51-year-old driver — the guy who has endured so many close calls, frustrating finishes, big wrecks and equipment failures at NASCAR's most famous track — simply had too much to lose this time around.

Martin earned his first Daytona 500 pole last week, a strong sign this could be his best shot at getting what would be the most meaningful victory in his 29-year career. His No. 5 Chevrolet will lead the 43-car field to the green flag in Sunday's race — and would like to do the same when the checkered flag drops about four hours later.

"We've got as good a car as anybody," said Martin, who finished second to teammate Jimmie Johnson in last year's Sprint Cup standings. "Anybody can win this thing. It might as well be us."



AP photo  
NASCAR driver Mark Martin waits in his car during practice at Daytona International Speedway in Daytona Beach, Fla., on Saturday for today's Daytona 500. Martin will start the race from the pole position.

## Daytona 500

10 a.m., FOX

Few would complain, not after everything Martin has been through at the 2½-mile superspeedway. The storied track has given him more heartache and disappointment than reason for celebration. He once ran out of gas late, crashed some of his fastest cars and even came up a few inches short in 2007.

After returning to the sport on a part-time basis, he was leading with two laps remaining that year and looked like he would hold off Kyle Busch in a

green-white-checkered finish. But Busch wrecked, and Kevin Harvick edged Martin at the line in one of the closest finishes in race history.

Martin could have been sour, and no one would have blamed him. But he got exactly what he wanted — a chance at winning the sport's premier race.

Nonetheless, Martin is still winless in 49 Cup starts at Daytona. Sure, he has two victories in the now-defunct IROC series, another in the exhibition Budweiser Shootout and one more in the truck series, but none of those compare to the Great

American Race.

He is winless in 25 starts in the 500. A win Sunday would end his drought and make him the oldest to win the 500. Bobby Allison was 50 when he won in 1988.

"I love getting records," Martin said. "Can't get the youngest anymore."

Nope. But he could become the oldest series champion, too.

Martin, who's finished second five times in the points race, revived his career with NASCAR powerhouse Hendrick Motorsports in 2008 when he returned to a full-time schedule. Team owner Rick Hendrick paired him with crew chief Alan Gustafson, who grew up near Daytona idolizing Martin, and the two have developed a strong bond.

It nearly capped last year with a title. Martin finished 141 points behind Johnson, who claimed his fourth consecutive championship.

"I'm the luckiest guy around because it looks like I've done so many things right, but really I've just been lucky and stumbled around," Martin said. "I have just stumbled around, fell in this 5 car, and it's the best thing that has ever happened to me, you know."

**DOWNHILL**

Alpine skiers woke up Saturday to news of another day of delays, then got a new schedule: Seven events in seven days.

That is, if the weather cooperates.

The 10-day forecast is not very encouraging: Highs in the mid-40s almost every day, and at or below freezing only three nights, never getting colder than 29. There's a good chance of rain, and perhaps snow showers, on Sunday and Tuesday, then turning partly cloudy and finally sunny by next weekend.

The men's downhill, which was supposed to produce the first gold medal of these Olympics, is scheduled to kick things off at 10:30 a.m. Monday.

**FIGURE SKATING**

Memo to anti-fur folks: Johnny Weir won't be wearing any animal skins in Vancouver.

Weir said he's received "very serious threats" from activists since adding white fox fur to his costume at the U.S. Figure Skating Championships last month.

They were so serious that he moved into the Olympic village, something he really didn't want to do but felt it was best for his safety.

— The Associated Press

2010 SPRINT CUP SEASON PREVIEW

2009 season leaders

Wins	
RANK, DRIVER	
1	7 Jimmie Johnson
2	5 Mark Martin
3	4 Denny Hamlin
4	4 Tony Stewart
4	4 Kyle Busch

Top 5 finishes

1	J. Johnson	16
2	Jeff Gordon	16
3	D. Hamlin	15
4	T. Stewart	15
5	M. Martin	14

Pole position starts

1	7 M. Martin
2	6 Brian Vickers
3	4 J. Johnson
4	3 Martin Truex Jr.
5	2 Juan Pablo Montoya
2	Ryan Newman
2	David Reutimann

Laps led

1	J. Johnson	2,238
2	D. Hamlin	1,380
3	Kyle Busch	1,157
4	J. Gordon	827
5	M. Martin	805

Most top 10 finishes

1	J. Johnson	25
2	J. Johnson	24
3	T. Stewart	23
4	M. Martin	21
4	Kurt Busch	21

Winnings

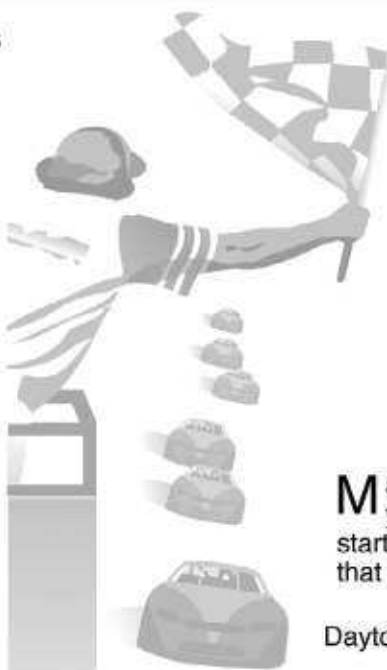
In millions (numbers rounded)	
1	J. Johnson \$7.3
2	Matt Kenseth 7.1
3	T. Stewart 6.8
4	J. Gordon 6.5
5	Kyle Busch 6.2

Drivers are set to hit the ignition, start their engines and kick off NASCAR's 62nd season, setting the ...

# Wheels in motion

Mark Martin, who led the Sprint Cup Series with seven poles last year, adds another to his resume, putting his No. 5 Chevy in the top starting spot in the season-opening Daytona 500, the exclusive race that has eluded him throughout his three-decade career.

Daytona International Speedway • Daytona Beach, Fla. • Sunday, Feb. 14



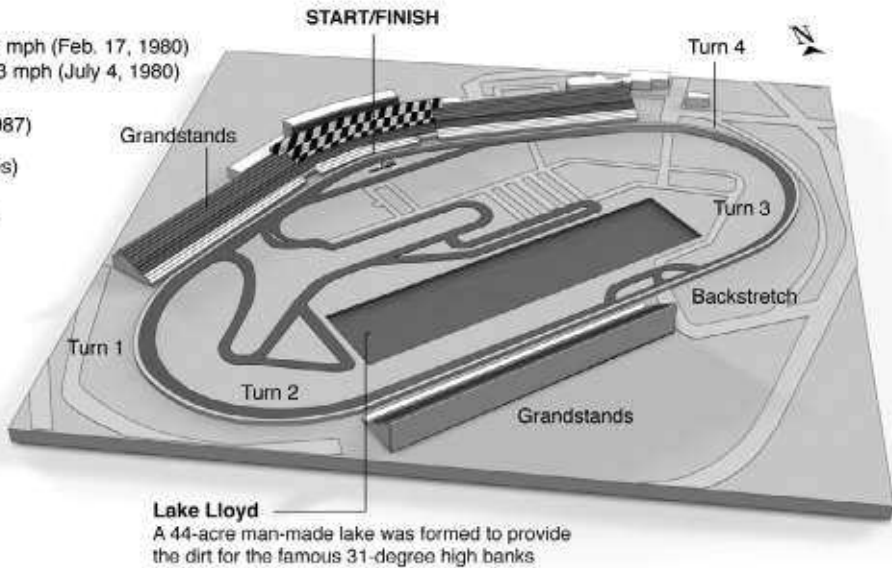
Sprint Cup track record

500 miles – Buddy Baker, 177.602 mph (Feb. 17, 1980)  
400 miles – Bobby Allison, 173.473 mph (July 4, 1980)

Nextel Cup qualifying record

Bill Elliott, 210.364 mph (Feb. 7, 1987)

Race distance: 200 laps (500 miles)  
Track distance: 2.5 miles  
Degree of banking in corners: 31 degrees



Daytona 500 lineup

POS	CAR	DRIVER	MAKE
1	(5)	Mark Martin	Chevrolet
2	(88)	D. Earnhardt Jr.	Chevrolet
3	(48)	Jimmie Johnson	Chevrolet
4	(9)	Kasey Kahne	Ford
5	(29)	Kevin Harvick	Chevrolet
6	(14)	Tony Stewart	Chevrolet
7	(18)	Kyle Busch	Toyota
8	(42)	Juan Pablo Montoya	Chevrolet
9	(33)	Clint Bowyer	Chevrolet
10	(2)	Kurt Busch	Dodge
11	(78)	Regan Smith	Chevrolet
12	(19)	Elliott Sadler	Ford
13	(1)	Jamie McMurray	Chevrolet
14	(58)	Martin Truex Jr.	Toyota
15	(43)	AJ Allmendinger	Ford
16	(20)	Joey Logano	Toyota
17	(39)	Ryan Newman	Chevrolet
18	(47)	Marcos Ambrose	Toyota
19	(6)	David Ragan	Ford
20	(00)	David Reutimann	Toyota
21	(24)	Jeff Gordon	Chevrolet
22	(83)	Brian Vickers	Toyota
23	(16)	Greg Biffle	Ford
24	(17)	Matt Kenseth	Ford
25	(11)	Denny Hamlin	Toyota
26	(12)	Brad Keselowski	Dodge
27	(99)	Carl Edwards	Ford
28	(36)	Mike Bliss	Chevrolet
29	(55)	Michael McDowell	Toyota
30	(82)	Scott Speed	Toyota
31	(13)	Max Papis	Toyota
32	(98)	Paul Menard	Ford
33	(34)	John Andretti	Ford
34	(7)	Robby Gordon	Toyota
35	(37)	Travis Kvapil	Ford
36	(77)	Sam Hornish Jr.	Dodge
37	(38)	Robert Richardson Jr.	Ford
38	(26)	Boris Said	Ford
39	(31)	Jeff Burton	Chevrolet
40	(21)	Bill Elliott	Ford
41	(87)	Joe Nemechek	Toyota
42	(71)	Bobby Labonte	Chevrolet
43	(51)	Michael Waltrip	Toyota

Driver comparison

Rank, points comparison for drivers in the Chase for the Cup:

DRIVER	2009		2008	
	RK	PTS	RK	PTS
J. Johnson	1	6,652	1	6,684
M. Martin	2	6,511	28	3,022
J. Gordon	3	6,473	7	6,316
Kurt Busch	4	6,446	18	6,635
D. Hamlin	5	6,335	8	6,214
T. Stewart	6	6,309	9	6,202
G. Biffle	7	6,292	3	6,467
J. Montoya	8	6,252	25	3,329
R. Newman	9	6,175	17	3,735
K. Kahne	10	6,128	14	4,085
C. Edwards	11	6,118	2	6,815
B. Vickers	12	5,929	19	3,580

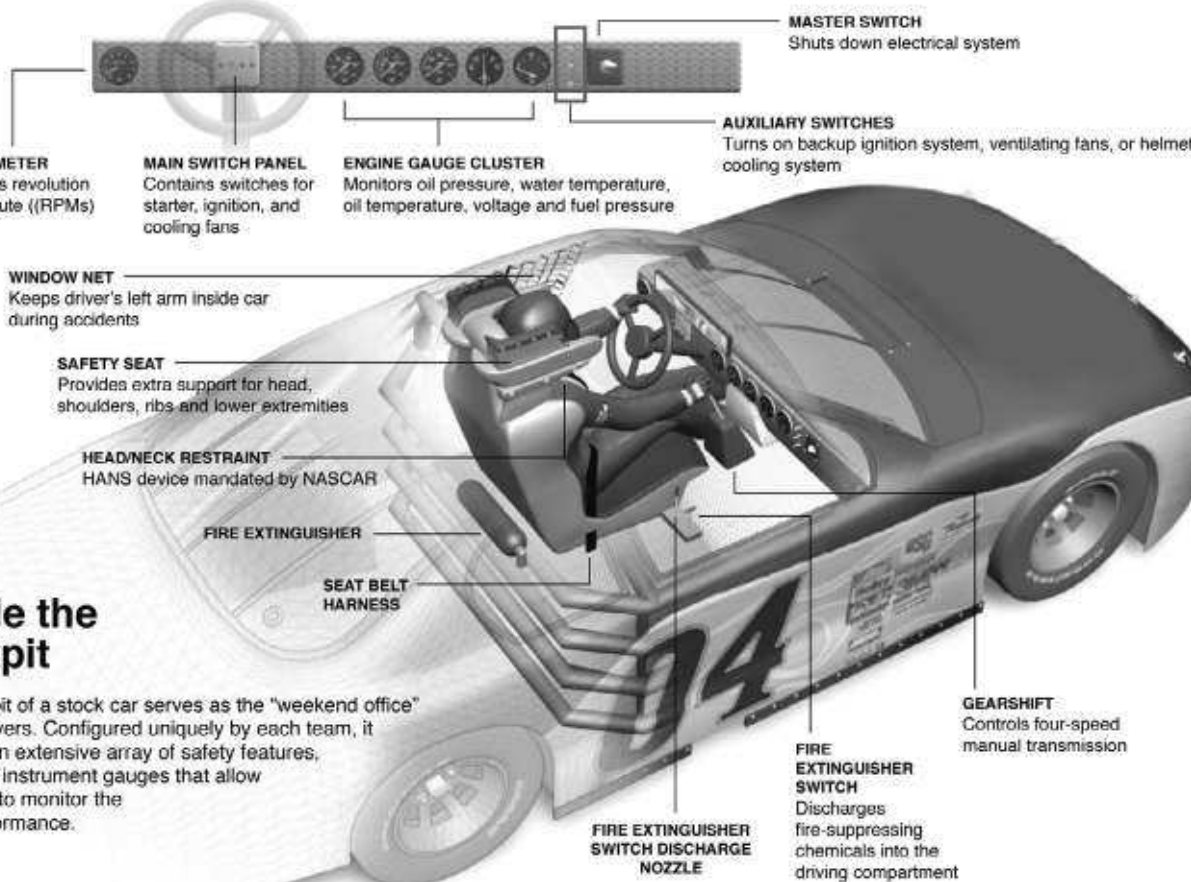
Getting back to basics

The wing-like design that has been in use on the rear deck lid of current Cup Series cars since 2007, will be phased out in favor of a return to the spoiler after testing at Charlotte Motor Speedway in March.



## Inside the cockpit

The cockpit of a stock car serves as the "weekend office" for the drivers. Configured uniquely by each team, it features an extensive array of safety features, as well as instrument gauges that allow the driver to monitor the car's performance.



In the driver's seat

With the Daytona 500 jump-starting the Sprint Cup Series, some of the top drivers with a good shot of winning the championship this season:

**Jimmie Johnson**  
Heads into 2010 as the overwhelming favorite to win his fifth consecutive Cup championship. The No. 48 team has shown no signs of letting down during its historic run.

**Kyle Busch**  
Looks to rebound after a disappointing 2009. With new crew chief Dave Rogers, Busch hopes to get back to championship form.

**Tony Stewart**  
Two-time champion flirted with becoming first owner-driver since Alan Kulwicki in '92 to win a Cup title. Dropped off during the Chase; wants to put together a full season this year.

**Jeff Gordon**  
Finished third in standings last season. Won just one race and never really challenged teammate Johnson for the title. Would like to show more dominance this season.

**Carl Edwards**  
The preseason favorite to win the championship last year, he instead went winless and finished 11th in the standings. Winning races again is the goal.

**Mark Martin**  
Challenged teammate Johnson for the title last season, but instead was runner-up for a fifth time. Winning races, though, is all that matters to the 51-year-old driver.

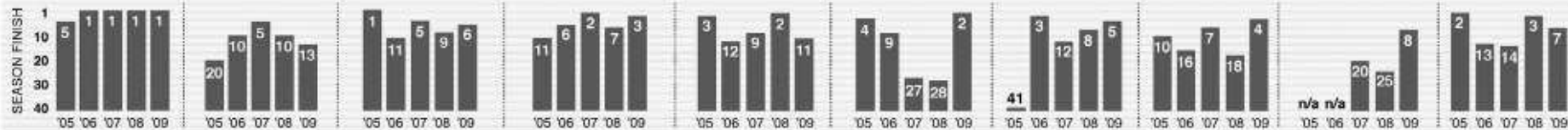
**Denny Hamlin**  
Considered by many to be Johnson's top challenger this season, he'll race this year with a torn ACL suffered in a pickup basketball game.

**Kurt Busch**  
Will try to mount a championship campaign with new crew chief, Steve Addington, who spent the last two seasons with younger brother, Kyle.

**Juan Pablo Montoya**  
Surprised many by making his first Chase and running up front for the first part of the title race. But he couldn't crack Victory Lane, and wants to win in 2010.

**Greg Biffle**  
Struggled with all of Roush-Fenway Racing last season, when he failed to win a race. He still made the Chase, but that's not enough for Biffle.

FIVE-YEAR PERFORMANCE



2010 Sprint Cup schedule

Feb. 14	Daytona 500 • Daytona Beach, Fla.	8	Southern 500 • Darlington, S.C.	Aug. 1	Pennsylvania 500 • Long Pond, Pa.	Oct. 3	Kansas 400 • Kansas City, Kan.
21	Auto Club 500 • Fontana, Calif.	16	Dover 400 • Dover, Del.	8	Helluva Good! Sour Cream Dips at the Glen • Watkins Glen, N.Y.	10	Pepsi Max 400 • Fontana, Calif.
28	Shelby American • Las Vegas	30	Coca-Cola 600 • Concord, N.C.	15	CARFAX 400 • Brooklyn, Mich.	16	Banking 500 • Concord, N.C.
March 7	Kobalt 500 • Hampton, Ga.	June 6	Pocono 500 • Long Pond, Pa.	21	Sharpie 500 • Bristol, Tenn.	24	Tums Fast Relief 500 • Martinsville, Va.
21	Food City 500 • Bristol, Tenn.	13	Michigan 400 • Brooklyn, Mich.	Sept. 5	Pep Boys Auto 500 • Hampton, Ga.	31	AMP Energy 500 • Talladega, Ala.
28	Goody's Fast Pain Relief 500 • Martinsville, Va.	20	Toyota/Savemart 350 • Sonoma, Calif.	11	One Last Race to Make the Chase 400 • Richmond, Va.	Nov. 7	Lone Star 500 • Fort Worth, Texas
April 10	Subway Fresh Fit 50 • Avondale, Ariz.	27	LENOX Industrial Tools 301 • Loudon, N.H.	THE CHASE FOR THE SPRINT CUP		14	Checker O'Reilly Auto Parts 500 • Avondale, Ariz.
18	Samsung Mobile 500 • Fort Worth, Texas	July 3	Coke Zero 400 • Daytona Beach, Fla.	Sept. 19	SYLVANIA 300 • Loudon, N.H.	21	Ford 400 • Homestead, Fla.
25	Aaron's 499 • Talladega, Ala.	10	LifeLock.com 400 • Joliet, Ill.	26	AAA 400 • Dover, Del.		
May 1	Crown Royal 400 • Richmond, Va.	25	Brickyard 400 • Indianapolis				

SOURCE: NASCAR

E. DeGaspero, M. Sherman • AP

# Hendrick picks up at Daytona where it left off

DAYTONA BEACH, Fla. (AP) — The NASCAR scoring tower never seems to change. A Hendrick Motorsports sweep, 1-2-3.

That's how NASCAR's top team ended last season, and exactly how they opened the first practice of this year.

And when the flag waves on today's season-opening Daytona 500, three Hendrick cars will lead the field in NASCAR's version of the Super Bowl.

Mark Martin, the 51-year-old throwback, will start from the pole in an attempt to snap an 0-for-25 Daytona 500 streak. Dale Earnhardt Jr., the rock star suffering through a confidence-testing slump, shares the front row with his teammate.

Right behind them is Jimmie Johnson, the four-time defending Cup champion who has given no indication he'll relax his run of NASCAR domination any-

time soon.

So forgive the rest of the field if they've had just about enough of the Hendrick camp.

"I think about that sometimes. I think everybody probably does," said Kasey Kahne, who wedged his Richard Petty Motorsports entry alongside Johnson in the second row to crash the Hendrick party.

"We got down here and the first practice it was 1-2-3-4 or something like that

with the Hendrick cars. We're always chasing them it seems like, but I feel like I'm in the best position I've been in in a while, as far as this race, to have a shot to race with those guys and actually beat some of them."

A new year, but the goal remains the same across the garage: Figure out how to beat the Hendrick guys.

There's no better stage, either, than Daytona International Speedway and the biggest race of the

season. The 52nd running of the Great American Race comes at a critical time for NASCAR, which launched a series of rapid-fire changes designed to add some much-needed energy to a sport that had seemingly hit its plateau.

NASCAR wants its drivers to shed the sponsor-shilling stereotype and show more raw emotion. The sanctioning body is willing to do its part, too, agreeing to lighten up its

restrictions on on-track aggression. The relaxed policing is referred to around NASCAR as the "Boys, have at it" policy, and has generated considerable buzz for the sport.

The key to capitalizing still lies in staging a successful show today, and NASCAR is keenly aware of the opportunity to show a wide audience that the sport has turned a corner and is headed back in the right direction.

## JUNIOR HIGH BASKETBALL



Courtesy photo

### Northside boys champs

The Dietrich boys basketball team beat Richfield 28-25 to claim the Northside Conference junior high tournament championship Feb. 1 in Richfield. Camas County won the consolation title, beating Magic Valley Christian. Dietrich's championship team, pictured, from left, front row: Chandler Tew; second row: Buddy Dotson, Camas Heimerdinger, Nacho Ramirez, Vance Perron and Liam Bingham; back row: Coach Jerry Sabala, Brandon Ballard, Hazen Weber, Austin Fenstermaker, Rashon Norman, Jacob Dalton, Trey Dill and Cooper Astle.



Courtesy photo

### Northside girls champs

The Dietrich girls basketball team beat Camas County 21-20 to claim the Northside Conference junior high tournament championship Feb. 1 in Richfield. The Bliss girls beat the Community School for the consolation title. Dietrich's championship team, pictured, from left, front row: Billye Dotson, manager Bethany Phillips and Kaylia Power; second row: Hailey Humphries, Addie Robertson, Jacey Shaw, Lizzy Lasley, Kelsie Smith and Becca Arnold; back row: Cheyanne Still, Emma Sorensen, Jordan Ramos, Alex Berthelson, Natalie Anderson, Reina Venagas, Aubry Tracy and Coach Laura Dilworth.

## SHOOTING

### Magic Valley .22 Caliber Gallery League results

#### Rifle

**Master:** 1. Mark Bulcher 387, 2. John Pitts 385.  
**Expert:** 1. (tie) Dave Gyorfy and Nyles Tilley 383, 3. Jeff Wagner 379, 4. Bruce Lohnes 372.  
**Sharpshooter:** 1. Mark Miller 367, 2. Richard Bean 358.  
**Marksman:** 1. Jerrod Vaugh 345, 2. Walt Charles 320, 3. Norma Charles 277.  
**Sporter rifle:** 1. Jody Osterhout 341, 2. Art Freund 323, 3. Jesse Vaugh 322.  
**Junior rifle:** 1. Alisah Lierman 333, 2. Chani Lohnes 242, 3. Drew Vaugh 149, 3. Tyler Unroe 89.

#### Pistol

**Master:** 1. Bob Anderson 571, 2. Dan Brown 564, 3. James Wert 556.  
**Expert:** 1. Dave Gyorfy 546, 2. Nyles Tilley 544, 3. Corey Lierman 540.  
**Sharpshooter:** 1. Nick Barnes and Jesse Vaugh 523, 3. Mark Miller 518, 4. Richard Bean 502.  
**Marksman:** 1. Bruce Lohnes 487, 2. Max Vaugh 486, 3. Ed Smith 471.  
**Two-handed pistol:** 1. Art Freund 505, 2. Dave Smith 502, 3. Pam Kubik 494.

## GYMNASTICS



Courtesy photo

Magic Valley Gymnastics Club member Mckenzey Martinez, pictured, placed first in level 10 at the Gem State Gymnastics Invitational Jan. 29-30 in Boise. More than 300 gymnasts from teams in Idaho, Alaska, Nevada and Washington competed. Martinez also won the Jenny Hawkins award for the highest all-around score (35.3). Magic Valley's Lindsay Fustos placed second in level five with a 35.1, while Tannah Sellers was third with a 34.825.

### Gem State Gymnastics Invitaionals

(Magic Valley Gymnastics Club results)						
Name	Age	Vault	Bars	Beam	Floor	All Around
Level 4						
Rylee Leak	8	8	7	8	5	7
Chloe Mohlenbrink	9	7	5	3	7	5
Kylie Hansen	10	7	8	9	9	9
Megan Henard	9	6	7	6	3	6
Amy Gossi	10	4	4	6	2	4
Level 5						
Grace Parker	8	6	3	7	7	7
Lindsay Fustos	11	4	2	3	3	2
Tannah Sellers	11	8	4	1	2	3
Danika Barela	11	9	7	6	8	8
Amy Roemer	14	3	6	3	3	5
Level 6						
Kylie Baumert	10	9	6	8	6	8
Brookelyn Herman	11	9	2	7	6	5
Level 7						
Brinley Reed	10	5	1	8	7	6
Madison Miller	11	5	5	6	6	5
Gabby Barryo	13	2	3	7	8	4
Level 8						
Courtney Ellis	13	1	7	2	7	4
Ciera Hawkins	17	6	8	7	8	9
Level 10						
Mckenzey Martinez	15	1	1	2	2	1

## BOWLING

**BOWLADROME, TWIN FALLS**  
**SUN. EARLY MIXED**  
**MEN'S SERIES:** Ward Westburg 558, Randy Sunde 552, Jake Carnahan 551, Lin Gowan 545.  
**MEN'S GAMES:** James Stewart 217, Jake Carnahan 214, Lin Gowan 202, Ward Westburg 200.  
**LADIES SERIES:** Charlene Jarrell 540, Dana Stewart 496, Ludy Harksin 394, Dana Gowan 375.  
**LADIES GAMES:** Charlene Jarell 200, Ludy Harkins 157, Tasha Hampton 157, Barb Brant 140.  
**MON. MIXED FOLLIES**  
**MEN'S SERIES:** Quentin Jones 638, Kevin Hamblin 617, Doug Hamrick 603, Ron Marshall 589.  
**MEN'S GAMES:** Quentin Jones 259, Mitch Wood 233, Kevin Hamblin 224, Ron Marshall 223.  
**LADIES SERIES:** Sylvia Inman 547, Lorenia Rodriguez 523, Teya Moses 512, Joelle Moses 509.  
**LADIES GAMES:** Sylvia Inman 198, Stacy Hodges 189, Lorenia Rodriguez 186, Kay Puschel 184, Sylvia Wood 184.  
**SH-BOOM**  
**MEN'S SERIES:** Donnie Parsons 614, Kelly Jeroue 595, Clint Koyle 590, Danny Brady 590.  
**MEN'S GAMES:** Clint Koyle 242, Kasey Jeroue 238, Kelly Jeroue 237, Danny Brady 223.  
**LADIES SERIES:** Diana Brady 532, Kathi Jeroue 511, Barbara Reynolds 506, Stacey Lanier 499.  
**LADIES GAMES:** Jody Galan 222, Kathi Jeroue 210, Barbara Reynolds 200, Diana Brady197.

**MID. MORN. MIXED**  
**MEN'S SERIES:** Dick DeRoche 598, Eddie Chappell 591, Jim DeVries 585, Maury Miller 584.  
**MEN'S GAMES:** Victor Hagood 240, Con Moser 234, Eddie Chappell 217, Ed Dutry 213.  
**LADIES SERIES:** Kim Leazer 619, Linda Vining 542, Ada Perrine 520, Margie Howard 489.  
**TUES. A.M. TRIOS**  
**SERIES:** Amber Beguhl 506, Charlene Anderson 505, Gail McAllister 504, Jean McGuire 494.  
**GAMES:** Amber Beguhl 203, Gail McAllister 202, Billie Mason 199, Ann Brewer 191.  
**LATECOMERS**  
**SERIES:** Susan Kepner 615, Kristy Rodriguez 556, Linda Vining 529, Shawn Obenchain 499.  
**GAMES:** Susan Kepner 221, Kristy Rodriguez 204, Karen Morano 191, Connie Spisak 186.

**TUES. MAJORS**  
**BOYS' SERIES:** Anthony Vest 721, Tyler Black 600, Matt Thrall 470, Cody Worden 498.  
**BOYS' GAMES:** Anthony Vest 300, Tyler Black 214, Matt Thrall 212, Kaleb Jeroue 178.  
**GIRLS SERIES:** Koti Jo Moses 493, Jenni Sherman 491, Rio Leazer 444, Kynzi Jeroue 442.

**CONSOLIDATED**  
**SERIES:** Todd Fiscus 746, Jon Powlus 685, Steve Gentry Jr. 661, Nate Jones 655.  
**GAMES:** Jon Powlus 267, Todd Fiscus 258, Matt Olson 248, Blaine Ross 258.  
**M.V. SENIORS**  
**MEN'S SERIES:** Myron Schroeder 647, Eddie Chappell 579, Clayne Williams 544, Victor Hagood 543.  
**MEN'S GAMES:** Myron Schroeder 252, Victor Hagood 219, Eddie Chappell 217, Skip Barrett 208.  
**LADIES SERIES:** Betty Taylor 539, Linda Vining 467, Sondra Hill 462, Jean McGuire 456.  
**LADIES GAMES:** Betty Taylor 196, NaJean Dutry 183, Sondra Hill 182, Lavona Young 177.

**LADIES CLASSIC**  
**SERIES:** Michele Seckel 610, Barb Reynolds 546, Georgia Randall 536, Lori Turner 517.  
**LADIES GAMES:** Michele Seckel 234, Lori Turner 210, Barb Reynolds 203, Laurie Bowyer 198.

**SUNSET**  
**SERIES:** Kim Leazer 579, Sylvia Inman 547, Brittney Rackham 546, Ann Shepherd 545.  
**GAMES:** Misty Welsh 233, Julie Shull 231, Kathi Jeroue 210, Ann Shepherd 209.  
**MIXED BAR NUTS**  
**MEN'S SERIES:** Bryan Price 641, Travis Price 502.  
**MEN'S GAMES:** Bryan Price 243, Travis Price 201.  
**LADIES SERIES:** Georgie Johnson 496, Kym Daigh 482, Beverly O'Connor 419.  
**LADIES GAMES:** Georgie Johnson 183, Beverly O'Connor 172, Kym Daigh 171.  
**FRI. EARLY MIXED**  
**MEN'S SERIES:** Myron Schroeder 615, Eddie Chappell 577, Blaine Ross 577, Ed Dutry 566.  
**MEN'S GAMES:** Blaine Ross 242, Ed Dutry 227, Dave Wilson 224, Myron Schroeder 218.  
**LADIES SERIES:** Bernie Smith 557, Gail McAllister 519, Jean McGuire 516, Dixie

Eager 498.  
**LADIES GAMES:** Bernie Smith 214, Jean McGuire 197, Jackie Bressette 193, Gail McAllister 188.  
**MOOSE**  
**SERIES:** Tony Brass 717, Kerry Klassen 707, Cobey Magee 700, Mark Shull 678.  
**GAMES:** Mike Schlibe 269, Tony Brass 264, Jim Sorenson 251, Cobey Magee 249, Kerry Klassen 249.  
**MOONSHINERS**  
**SERIES:** Crystal Pilant 469, Jackie Boyd 463, Deanna Heil 462, Carol Miller 427.  
**GAMES:** Crystal Pilant 184, Jackie Boyd 171, Deanna Heil 158, Ariel Bolish 150.  
**GIANTS**  
**BOYS' SERIES:** Tom Upchurch 414, Brandon Galliher 405, Ryan Gutierrez 359, Dylan Mace 357.  
**BOYS' GAMES:** Tom Upchurch 175, Brendan Rife 136, Brandon Galliher 138, Ryan Gutierrez 136.  
**GIRLS' SERIES:** Shelbi Waters 333, Ashley Etters 326, Cheyenne Uker 320, Andrea Krohn 317.  
**GIRLS' GAMES:** Shelbi Waters 161, Ashley Etters 127, Andrea Krohn 126, Cheyenne Uker 124.  
**PEEWEE & BUMPER**  
**BOYS' SERIES:** Riley Magee 197, Eli Cook 155.  
**BOYS' GAMES:** Riley Magee 99, Eli Cook 85.  
**GIRLS' SERIES:** Lindsay Beem 130.  
**GIRLS' GAMES:** Lindsay Beem 67.  
**MAGIC BOWL, TWIN FALLS**  
**COMMERCIAL**  
**SERIES:** Kyle Mason 689, Tony Watkins 631, Rick Frederiksen 630, Leon Klimes 624.  
**GAMES:** Kyle Mason 264, Rick Frederiksen 259, Tony Watkins 254, Leon Klimes 245.

**MASON**  
**SERIES:** Georgia Randall 565, Glenda Barrutia 528, Vee Peterson 513, Shanda Pickett 504.  
**GAMES:** Glenda Barrutia 201, Georgia Randall 195, Shanda Pickett 191, Vee Peterson 188.  
**VALLEY**  
**SERIES:** Matt Olson 777, Bob Leazer 734, Cobey Magee 733, Zach Black 713.  
**GAMES:** Ron Dawson 300, Cobey Magee 277, Matt Olson 268, Bob Leazer 261.  
**FIFTY PLUS**  
**MEN'S SERIES:** Jim Brawley 625, Blaine Ross 604, Bud Whismore 567, Roger Graefe 564.  
**MEN'S GAMES:** Jim Brawley 233, Bud Whismore 231, Ed Dutry 226, Earl McCoy 219.  
**LADES SERIES:** Jean Stokesberry 544, Gail Cederlund 508, Barbara Smth 500, Belva Coval 493.  
**LADIES GAMES:** Barbara Smith 214, Dot Van Hook 201, Jean Stokesberry 198, Belva Coval 191.

**THURS. MIXED**  
**MEN'S SERIES:** Russ Austin 566, Dale Rhyne 565, Don Barkley 535, Joe McClure 524.  
**MEN'S GAMES:** Dale Rhyne 225, Russ Austin 223, Joe McClure 222, Don Barkley 202.  
**LADIES SERIES:** Edie Barkley 506, Lori Williamson 464, Stephanie White 445, Nancy Lewis 436.  
**LADIES GAMES:** Edie Barkley 200, Cheryl Kerr 168, Cheryl Kerr 165, Nancy Lewis 163.  
**EARLY FRI. MIXED**  
**MEN'S SERIES:** Kyle Mason 644, Ted Wasko 643, Joe Lamana 629, Tad Capurro 623.  
**MEN'S GAMES:** Ted Wasko 267, Joe McClure 245, Tad Capurro 241, Buddy Bryant 234.  
**LADIES SERIES:** Lisa Dickenson 581, Tawnia Bryant 570, Julie Capurro 556, Alyce Wasko 509.  
**LADIES GAMES:** Tawnia Bryant 211, Lisa Dickenson 203, Alyce Wasko 201, Julie Capurro 201.  
**SNAKE RIVER BOWL, BURLEY**  
**MON. MARAUDERS**  
**SERIES:** Lori Parish 529, Diane Strolberg 495, Derry Smith 479.  
**GAMES:** Lori Parish 220, Diane Strolberg 171, Derry Smith 169.  
**LADIES TRIOS**  
**SERIES:** Annette Hirsch 667, Tiffinay Hager 637, Kris Jones 581.  
**GAMES:** Annette Hirsch 235, Tiffinay Hager 223, Kris Jones 216.  
**MEN'S CLASSIC TRIO**  
**SERIES:** Bob Bywater 975, Devon Rucker 866, Shon Bywater 259.  
**GAMES:** Zach Lowe 269, Alan Feltwell 268, Richie Oppe 258.

**TUES. MIXED**  
**MEN'S SERIES:** Rick Hieb 728, Bob Bywater 688, Byron Hager 684.  
**MEN'S GAMES:** Byron Hager 279, Rick Hieb 266, Bob Bywater 259.  
**LADIES SERIES:** Stacy Hieb 529, Kristie Johnston 505, Alicia Bywater 486.  
**LADIES GAMES:** Linda Stark 212, Kristie Johnston 505, Alicia Bywater 486.  
**RAILROADERS**  
**SERIES:** Lisa Hutchison 544, Janet Grant 514, Theresa Knowlton 513.  
**GAMES:** Theresa Knowlton 228, Lisa Hutchison 213, Sharon Hissung 196.

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#### BURLEY HIGH

**BOYS' SERIES:** Broc Winn 402, Kim Hollahan 386.  
**BOYS' GAMES:** Broc Winn 154, Jim Hollahan 145.  
**GIRLS' SERIES:** Courtney Yoshida 507, Bethany Adams 412, Kyleigh Wilson 354.  
**GIRLS' GAMES:** Bethany Adams 188, Courtney Yoshida 185, Kyleigh Wilson 123.

#### WED. MIXED

**MEN'S SERIES:** Tyson Hirsch 714, Justin Studer 653, Ryan Swalling 569.  
**MEN'S GAMES:** Tyson Hirsch 300, Justin Studer 257, Ryan Swalling 223.  
**LADIES SERIES:** Annette Hirsch 503, Bobbi Crow 473, Jessica Meyer 469.  
**LADIES GAMES:** Annette Hirsch 190, Bobbi Crow 175, Jessica Meyer 162.  
**THURS. MORN DBLS.**  
**SERIES:** Derry Smith 542, Jamie Stewart 541, Karen Dansie 484.  
**GAMES:** Jamie Stewart 197, Derry Smith 192, Deon Fassett 186.

#### HOUSEWIVES

**SERIES:** Kristie Johnston 557, Stephanie Stelly 506, Pat Hicks 489.  
**GAMES:** Kristie Johnston 244, Stephanie Stelly 218, Pat Hicks 188.

#### MAJOR

**SERIES:** Erin Nelson 707, Bob Bywater 687, Justin Studer 681.  
**GAMES:** Erin Nelson 267, Justin Mayer 257, Justin Studer 242.

#### PINHEADS

**BOYS' SERIES:** Jared Studer 575, Brody Albertson 503, Logan Hollins 374.  
**BOYS' GAMES:** Jared Studer 229, Brody Albertson 202, Logan Hollins 136.  
**GIRLS' SERIES:** Bridget Albertson 475, Kiara Hieb 471, Cheyenne Powers 362.  
**GIRLS' GAMES:** Kiara Hieb 172, Bridget Albertson 170, Cheyenne Powers 128.

#### MINICO HIGH

**BOYS' SERIES:** Reid Pinther 610, Larry Morris 531, Brody Albertson 526.  
**BOYS' GAMES:** Reid Pinther 192, Anthony Meyer 187, Brody Albertson 184.  
**GIRLS' SERIES:** Bridget Albertson 544, Caitlin Schafer 473, Jamie Mancias 457.  
**GIRLS' GAMES:** Bridget Albertson 192, Caitlin Schafer 187, Jamie Mancias 184.

#### SUNSET LANES, BUHL

**SUNSET SENIORS**  
**MEN'S SERIES:** Ron Fugate 565, Ed Hanna 537, John Kodesh 535, Charlie Hill 530.

**MEN'S GAMES:** Ron Fugate 203, John Kodesh 202, Charlie Hill 191, David Hanna 183.

**LADIES SERIES:** Verna Kodesh 463, Bonne Silgar 367, Elda Huff 364, Carol Ruhter 350.  
**LADIES GAMES:** Verna Kodesh 166, Carol Ruhter 145, Bonne Silgar 132, Camille Zach 131.

#### MON. YABA

**BOYS' SERIES:** Derek Webb 487, Bradley Webb 385, Devin Dias 382, Chaz Hicks 287.  
**BOYS' GAMES:** Derek Webb 181, Bradley Webb 155, Devin Dias 150, Chaz Hicks 123.

**GIRLS' SERIES:** Julie Anne Nejezchleba 250, Sarah Thompson 230, Alexis Breck 197, Amanda Dewitt 132.  
**GIRLS' GAMES:** Julie Nejezchlda 111, Alexis Breck 83, Sarah Thompson 81, Amanda Dewitt 62.

#### LUCKY STRIKERS

**SERIES:** Claudene Stricklan 545, Elaine Wington 500, Darla McAllister 478, Beverly Rodig 464.  
**GAMES:** Claudene Stricklan 203, Dorothy Moon 180, Elaine Wington 175, Carolyn McCoy 171.

#### MASON TROPHY

**SERIES:** Verna Kodesh 461, Nancy Bright 424, Dixie Schroeder 411, Katie Owsley 408.

**GAMES:** Verna Kodesh 169, Nancy Bright 158, Cathe Woods 153, Dixie Schroeder 144.

#### PINBUSTERS

**SERIES:** Keith Simmons 587, Ron Romero Jr. 656, Mitch Olsen 647, Harvey McCoy 632.

**GAMES:** Keith Simmons 258, Mitch Olsen 243, Ron Romero Jr. 242, Hunt Olsen 238, Bob Bohm 238.

#### SPARE PAIRS

**MEN'S SERIES:** Dirk McCallister 700, Mitch Olsen 646, Curt Quaintance 628, Skip Leitch 619.

**MEN'S GAMES:** Dirk McCallister 259, Skip Leitch 254, Cliff Rediker 246, Mitch Olsen 246.

**LADIES SERIES:** Kay Miller 519, Dorothy Moon 481, Claudene Stricklan 472, Linda Miller 463.

**LADIES GAMES:** Dorothy Moon 181, Kay Miller 181, Sheila Lemmons 179, Linda Miller 171.

#### STARLITE

**MEN'S SERIES:** Dee Maier 650, Dustin McCallister 579, Les Carender 524, Dirk McClaister 508.

**MEN'S GAMES:** Dee Maier 225, Riggina Maier 223, Dustin McCallister 202, Dirk McCallister 196.

**LADIES SERIES:** Teresa Boehm 512, Dorothy Moon 490, Darla McCallister 479, Jeanne Hicks 478.

**LADIES GAMES:** Teresa Boehm 220, Debbie Graham 179, Jeanne Hicks 177, Darla McCallister 169.

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## IDAHO STATE HORSE SHOW ASSOCIATION

### Area residents earn 2009 championships

Several area residents were awarded championships for the Idaho State Horse Show Association's 2009 Show Season. The awards were delved out Jan. 16 at a year-end program.

#### Idaho State Horse Show Association 2009 Show Season champions

##### Name, hometown, class championships won

Carol Alberti, Wendell, Western Pleasure 19 & Older, Country Trail, Trail-19 and older, Trail-senior horse.  
Kali Archibald, Buhl, Showmanship-13 and under, Novice Western Pleasure, Horsemanship-13 and under; Trail-13 and under.  
Patty Brown, Kimberly, Halter-Yearling and under-fillies, Halter-2-year old and under-fillies, Trail-in-hand.  
Taylor Brown, Kimberly, Halter-Geldings-all ages, Green Horse Trail.  
Angie Cameron, Pocatello, Longeline-2-year old and under.  
Julie Corder, Mountain Home, Country Pleasure-19 to 39.  
Katie Corder, Mountain Home, Leadline-6 and under, Leadline Trail, 6 and under.

Dixie Dennis, Rupert, Novice Showmanship.  
Timber Dennis, Rupert, Showmanship-10 and under, Country English Pleasure-13 and under, Horsemanship, 10- and under.  
Marley Erickson, Filer, Walk-Trot-10 and under, Trail-10 and under.  
Aliyah Etherington, Rupert, Halter-Mares-all ages.  
Keona Etherington, Rupert, Novice English Pleasure.  
Caitlin Fuller, Twin Falls, Western Pleasure-13 and under.  
Curt Fuller, Twin Falls, Country English Pleasure-14 and older.  
Chad Hamilton, Shelley, Country English Pleasure-Green Horse, English Pleasure-Senior Horse.  
Tristen Handy, Heyburn, Novice English Equitation, Novice Horsemanship.  
Kellie Herzog, Spring Creek, Nev., Halter Stallions, Halter-2-year-old and under Geldings, Novice Trail.  
Dawn Hill, Nampa, Showmanship-19 and older, English Equitation-19 and older.  
Wade Hyder, Filer, Halter-Yearlings

and under Geldings.  
Tina Look, Malta, Longeline-Yearlings.  
Breanna Mahle, Twin Falls, English Pleasure-13 and under, English Equitation-13 and under, Country Pleasure-13 and under.  
Sydney Meier, Paul, Hunter Hack.  
Ellie Mae Millenkamp, Jerome, Rookie of the Year.  
Karen Osborne, Twin Falls, Horsemanship-19 and older.  
Chris Patterson, Burley, First Year Horse Pleasure, Country Horsemanship-all ages.  
Karla Post, Mountain Home, English Pleasure-19 and older.  
Bonnie Schuelke, American Falls, Green Horse-Western Pleasure, Western Pleasure-Junior Horse, Trail-Junior Horse.  
Donna Tegelman, Twin Falls, Country Pleasure-14 and older.  
Jordann Weimer, Jerome, Showmanship-14-18, English Pleasure-14-18, English Equitation-14-18, Open Bareback, Country Pleasure-14-18, Western Pleasure-Senior Horse, Western Pleasure-14-18, Horsemanship-14-18, Trail-14-18.

# Spring forward: MLB camps to open

By Jay Cohen  
Associated Press writer

John Lackey, welcome to the beach. Roy Halladay, have a safe trip to Florida. Mr. Cliff Lee, enjoy your stay in Arizona.

It's time.

In the snowy Northeast and chilly Midwest — even in sunny California — it's the signal that baseball is coming back. Pitchers and catchers report to camps over the next 10 days, finally shifting the biggest winter moves from podiums and conference calls to the field.

“Spring training is a special thing,” Chicago Cubs manager Lou Piniella said. “It sets the tone for a championship season.”

The St. Louis Cardinals hope to get a boost from Mark McGwire. He's set to be their batting coach after — he hopes — putting his steroids admission in the past.



Lackey joins Josh Beckett at the front of a stellar Boston rotation after the top pitching prize on the free-agent market signed an \$82.5 million, five-year contract.

Philadelphia will have Halladay after getting him in the biggest winter trade, a swap that also sent Lee to revamped Seattle. Minnesota strengthened its roster with a surprising spending spree ahead of its first season in open-air Target Field.

It's all in an effort to unseat the New York Yankees, who once again begin the spring as the team to beat following their 27th World Series championship.

Never content to sit still, the Yankees added All-Star

center fielder Curtis Granderson, pitcher Javier Vazquez, designated hitter Nick Johnson and outfielder Randy Winn. But the moves left the popular Johnny Damon looking for a team — outfielder Jermaine Dye, slugging first basemen Carlos Delgado and Russell Branyan, and left-hander Jarrod Washburn are among the other available free agents as the season approaches.

The Yankees play the major league opener on April 4 against Boston at Fenway Park.

“Everybody puts on their Sunday best for the Yankees,” said Dodgers manager Joe Torre, who was in New York's dugout the last time it won consecutive titles.

In the meantime, there are workouts and games. The exhibitions start on March 2 when Atlanta plays the New York Mets at Port St. Lucie, Fla.

## CSI

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flat in the first half against Snow College and trailed 39-33 at halftime. Snow's Corbin Green scored 14 first-half points, most coming from behind the arc.

But Felix and Chuck Odum led a resurgent CSI squad in the second half and Eagles quickly built a double-digit lead and held it largely in check down the stretch.

“I wanted to win so bad, I just tried to take over a little when we were down,” said Felix, who scored 15 after intermission.

Odum added 16 points, overcoming a second-half ankle sprain.

“Felix and Odum just

absolutely stepped up like we knew they would and made big plays,” said Gosar. “Those two guys were big for us.”

Josten Thomas scored 15 for CSI, while the Badgers got 17 from Green and 14 from Reggie Shaw. CSI outscored Snow 23-6 in the early part of the second half to build a 56-45 lead.

“We managed to get through it,” said Gosar. “We played 20 minutes of (good) basketball and fortunately it was enough.”

As for Felix, his performance signaled the end of a slump that saw his scoring average dip to single digits for several weeks, something he chalked up to

recruiting attention, including a scholarship offer from Duke University.

“It was so good to see Carrick back there attacking and making plays,” said Gosar. “He put us on his shoulders there for a while.”

Said Felix: “I just feel like we're back on track, back to the old CSI.”

And right back in the title hunt.

### CSI 81, Snow College 72

**CSI (81)**  
Pierre Jackson 13-4-5, Chuck Odum 6-3-6-16, Byargo Diouf 3-1-2-9, Carrick Felix 9-4-5-24, Josten Thomas 4-7-11-15, Dennis Mikelonis 2-1-2-5, Romario Souza 2-0-0-4, Kenny Buckner 1-1-2-3. Totals 28-53 20-31 81.

**SNOW 72**  
Jordan Wood 2-3-8-9, Mitch Friel 4-1-3-9, Reggie Shaw 6-1-2-14, Dominique Youmans 1-0-0-2, Corbin Green 6-1-2-17, Danny Boyd 2-1-2-5, Vinicius Novaes 2-4-6-6, Renato Portugal 3-4-4-10. Totals 26-52 13-26 72.

Halftime: Snow 39, CSI 33. 3-point goals: CSI 5-16 (Diouf 2, Felix 2, Odum); Snow 7-19 (Green 4, Wood 2, Shaw). Rebounds: CSI 31; Snow 26. Assists: CSI 16; Snow 15. Turnovers: CSI 16; Snow 17. Fouled out: CSI, Buckner; Snow, Portugal, Boyd.

## Eagles

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Saturday, a win over Snow would have put CSI (18-8, 10-6 SWAC) in prime position surge into the SWAC lead with NIC (21-4, 12-4) coming to Twin Falls this week.

“It's disappointing because it looked like we still had a shot to come back and win this league,” CSI head coach Randy Rogers told 1450 AM KEZJ.

Instead, the loss leads CSI tied with Snow (19-7, 10-6) for third in the SWAC.

Rogers said his team looked tired after Friday night's upset win at Salt Lake, but the Eagles still led almost the entire way.

CSI built leads of 34-26 and 52-45 in the second half, but Snow used runs of 8-0 and 6-0, respectively, to quickly erase the cushion each time. Still, the Eagles

stayed in front with solid defense. Daidra Brown and Nicole Harper drew consecutive charges on the Badgers and a putback by Shauneice Samms put CSI ahead 58-55 with just more than two minutes to play.

Tara Gehring's 3-pointer knotted the score for Snow and CSI's defense came up a step slow, giving up wide-open layups on the next two Badger possessions.

“It was a combination of things that were going bad at the end, turnovers on our end and our defense breaking down,” said Rogers.

Laurel Kearsley scored 16 points for CSI before fouling out with 4:42 to play. Samms and Brown chipped in 12 apiece, with Brown snatching four steals. But post Maddy Plunkett suffered through a poor shoot-

ing afternoon against Snow's 6-foot-3 center Jaquel Christensen and scored only two.

CSI often settled for 3-pointers against the Badgers' packed in zone, but went just 5-for-22 from beyond the arc.

Gehring's 19 points led the Badgers, while Sammie Jensen scored 14.

CSI played without guard Felicity Jones, who sprained her ankle in Friday's game.

The Eagles host North Idaho at 5:30 p.m. Friday and 3 p.m. Saturday.

### Snow College 64, CSI 58

**CSI (58)**  
Laurel Kearsley 16, Shauneice Samms 12, Daidra Brown 12, Kylie Hardison 6, Nicole Harper 5, Devan Matkin 5, Maddy Plunkett 2. Totals 25-66 3-6 58.

**SNOW COLLEGE (64)**  
Tara Gehring 19, Sammie Jensen 14, Jaquel Christensen 9, Allie Finch 6, Amy Weitzel 2, Linsey Hodgkiss 4, Amanda Farish 2, Abby Beutler 8. Totals 25-55 12-13 64.

Halftime: CSI 25, Snow 22. 3-point goals: CSI 5-22; Snow 2-11. Rebounds: CSI 24; Snow 36. Assists: CSI 16; Snow 21. Turnovers: CSI 16; Snow 22. Fouled out: CSI, Kearsley.

## Jardine

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a player that “had a fire and never got tired.”

“I'm more like Kelsey than Brady,” Marcus said. “How we act, how we play. I became closer to her while Brady was on his (LDS) mission.”

Though the personalities are unique, numerous similarities between Brady's and Marcus' junior and senior seasons are evident. After claiming the third-place trophy in 2005, Brady's Bruins claimed the state title the next season, but not without a few bumps in the road. Twin Falls nearly ran the table through the Region Four-Five-Six regular season, but lost to Highland in Pocatello before rebounding for a run to the title.

This season, Marcus and his teammates are on a title quest to follow up last year's out-of-nowhere performance, which garnered them some third-place hardware. Just like their predecessors, the Bruins came up short to a conference opponent late in the regular season, losing at Minico.

With the Great Basin Conference Tournament days away, the pressure is on to claim the district championship — possibly Twin Falls' fifth in eight years — and then sweep the Class 4A

state tourney.

“I think it's totally true,” Marcus said of he and Brady's similar senior seasons. “We hope to keep

it up.”

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## BOYS DISTRICT IV BASKETBALL TOURNAMENTS

### Class 4A Great Basin Conference Tournament Tuesday, Feb. 16

**Game 1:** No. 5 Canyon Ridge (4-16) at No. 4 Burley (9-11), 7 p.m.

**Game 2:** No. 6 Wood River (2-16) at No. 3 Jerome (11-9), 7 p.m.

**Thursday, Feb. 18**

**Game 3:** Winner 1 at No. 1 Twin Falls (18-2), 7 p.m.

**Game 4:** Winner 2 at No. 2 Minico (15-5), 7 p.m.

**Game 5:** Loser 1 vs. Loser 2, 7 p.m.

**Saturday, Feb. 20**

**Game 6:** Winner 5 vs. Loser 3 or 4 (lower seed), noon

**Game 7:** Winner 3 vs. Winner 4, 7 p.m.

**Monday, Feb. 22**

**Game 8:** Winner 6 vs. Loser 3 or 4 (higher seed), 7 p.m.

**Tuesday, Feb. 23**

**Game 9:** Winner 8 vs. Loser 7, 7 p.m.

**Thursday, Feb. 25**

**Championship:** Winner 7 vs. Winner 9, 7 p.m.

**Friday, Feb. 26**

Second championship, if necessary, 7 p.m.

### Class 3A Sawtooth Central Idaho Conference Tournament Monday, Feb. 15

**Game 1:** No. 5 Gooding (1-17) at No. 1 Filer (14-4), 7 p.m.

**Game 2:** No. 4 Wendell (8-10) at No. 3 Buhl (9-9), 7 p.m.

**Tuesday, Feb. 16**

**At Kimberly**

**Game 3:** Loser 1 vs. Loser 2, 6 p.m.

**Game 4:** Winner 2 at No. 2 Kimberly (8-10), 7:30 p.m.

**Wednesday, Feb. 17**

**At CSI**

**Game 5:** Winner 3 vs. Loser 4, 5:30 p.m.

**Game 6:** Winner 4 vs. Winner 1, 7 p.m.

**Monday, Feb. 22**

**Game 7:** Winner 5 vs. Loser 6, 7 p.m.

**Wednesday, Feb. 24**

**At CSI**

**Championship:** Winner 6 vs. Winner 7, 7 p.m.

**Thursday, Feb. 25**

Second championship, if necessary, 7 p.m.

### Class 2A Canyon Conference Tournament Tuesday, Feb. 16

**Game 1:** No. 3 Valley (2-18) at No. 2 Declo (15-5), 7:30 p.m.

**Thursday, Feb. 18**

**Game 2:** Winner 1 at No. 1 Glenns Ferry (17-3), 7:30 p.m.

**Tuesday, Feb. 23**

**Game 3:** Loser 1 at Winner 2, 7 p.m.

**Thursday, Feb. 25**

**Championship:** Winner 3 at Winner 2, 7 p.m.

**Friday, Feb. 26**

Second championship, if necessary, 7 p.m.

### Class 1A Division I Snake River Conference Tournament Monday, Feb. 15

**At Murtaugh**

**Play-in game:** North No. 4 Lighthouse Christian (5-15) vs. South No. 5 Hansen (4-16), 7:30 p.m.

**Tuesday, Feb. 16**

**Game 1:** South No. 4 Sho-Ban (1-15) at North No. 1 Shoshone (17-3), 7 p.m.

**Game 2:** North No. 3 Challis (7-11) at South No. 2 Raft River (15-5), 7 p.m.

**Game 3:** Play-in winner at South No. 1 Castleford (18-1), 7 p.m.

**Game 4:** South No. 3 Oakley (9-10) at North No. 2 Hagerman (10-10), 7 p.m.

**Wednesday, Feb. 17**

**At higher seed**

**Game 5:** Loser 1 vs. Loser 2, 7 p.m.

**Game 6:** Loser 3 vs. Loser 4, 7 p.m.

**Game 7:** Winner 1 vs. Winner 2, 7 p.m.

**Game 8:** Winner 3 vs. Winner 4, 7 p.m.

**Tuesday, Feb. 23**

**At Murtaugh**

**Game 9:** Winner 5 vs. Loser 8, 4:30 p.m.

**Game 10:** Winner 6 vs. Loser 7, 6 p.m.

**Championship:** Winner 7 vs. Winner 8, 7:30 p.m.

**Wednesday, Feb. 24**

**At Murtaugh**

**Game 12:** Winner 9 vs. Winner 10, 7 p.m.

### Thursday, Feb. 25 At Murtaugh

**Game 13:** Winner 12 vs. championship loser, 7 p.m.

*First and second place advance to state tournament, March 4-6 at Caldwell HS. Third place advances to state play-in game against third place from District III Saturday, Feb. 27 at Glenns Ferry.*

### Class 1A Division II (4-5-6 seeds subject to change)

**Sawtooth Conference  
Tournament  
At Dietrich  
Wednesday, Feb. 17**

**Game 1:** No. 8 Community School (14-5) vs. No. 1 Carey (17-2), 3 p.m.

**Game 2:** No. 5 Richfield (5-14) vs. No. 4 Camas County (7-10), 4:30 p.m.

**Game 3:** No. 6 Bliss (5-11) vs. No. 3 Dietrich (13-6), 6 p.m.

**Game 4:** No. 7 Magic Valley Christian (0-15) vs. No. 2 Murtaugh, 7:30 p.m.

**Monday, Feb. 22**

**Game 5:** Loser 1 vs. Loser 2, 3 p.m.

**Game 6:** Loser 3 vs. Loser 4, 4:30 p.m.

**Game 7:** Winner 1 vs. Winner 2, 6 p.m.

**Game 8:** Winner 3 vs. Winner 4, 7:30 p.m.

**Tuesday, Feb. 23**

**Game 9:** Winner 5 vs. Loser 8, 6 p.m.

**Game 10:** Winner 6 vs. Loser 7, 7:30 p.m.

**Wednesday, Feb. 24**

**Game 11:** Winner 9 vs. Winner 10, 6 p.m.

**Championship:** Winner 7 vs. Winner 8, 7:30 p.m.

**Thursday, Feb. 25**

**Second place-game:** Championship loser vs. Winner 11, 7:30 p.m.

*First and second place advance to state tournament, March 4-6 at Caldwell HS. Third place advances to state play-in game against second place from District III Saturday, Feb. 27 at Glenns Ferry.*

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Tu Chicquita  
Nuts & Bananas

Gary G.  
You had me from the start. Here we  
are 25 years later. Be my Valentine  
for many more to come.  
Corinne G.

My Frog  
Prince!  
In one week, I will have  
kissed your bald head for  
6 years. Can you handle  
me another 6 years?  
Love, "C"

Gene,  
You + Me =  
Meant to be.  
Always & Forever  
Me  
XO

I love you  
Johnny O!  
Love,  
Judy

Pam,  
You are my love, my best friend  
and my forever partner. Our  
2 years have been the  
best 2 years of my life.  
Love,  
Bob

Pooh-Weenie,  
My life is complete now  
that your in it. I love you with  
all my heart.  
Happy Valentines Day.  
T.B.

To my Granddaughter Nikiya,  
this year you are my Valentine.  
Can't wait to hear you say Grandpa.  
Happy  
Valentine's Day!

Norie,  
While we're in Hawaii,  
Wondering if you'd stand beside me.  
Toes in the sand, holding my hand.  
What I'm trying to say, in my dorky way,  
Is will you marry me & wear my ring.  
Man I suck at this poetry thing.  
Ross

Momma & Daddy  
Dusty & Jay,  
You are spending Valentine's Day with Jesus  
this year. We think of you all the time. We love  
and miss you all so much. Love you all forever.  
Happy Valentine's day.  
Renee, Donna, Riley, Durrell,  
Kathy, Cindy, Rhonda & Shawn  
Grandkids &  
Great Grandkids

Dear Shell,  
You know I love you even  
if I show it differently  
then others love.  
Jeff Knutson

Bryan,  
You are my sunshine, my lover,  
my best friend and ever present joy.  
Love Always  
Your Wife  
Judith-An

# Love Lines

# Happy Valentine's Day

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Happy Valentine's Day  
Kevin, Ryan & Conor  
Love Mom



Elijah Jensen,  
We're so proud of the boy you were and  
the exceptional young man you've  
become. We Love you to the  
moon and back!  
Mom & Dad

Heather,  
In front of everyone,  
**I LOVE YOU!**  
Happy Valentine's day!  
Isaac

Redd,  
Roses are red  
Violets are blue  
You should know by now  
How much I love you!  
Sharon

To my Papa Bear,  
Thanks for the last 15  
wonderful years and more  
good years to come.  
Love your  
Sexy Lady

Kent,  
Autumn, Spring  
Winter, Summer.  
I love you more than  
The boat named Scummer.  
Dolly

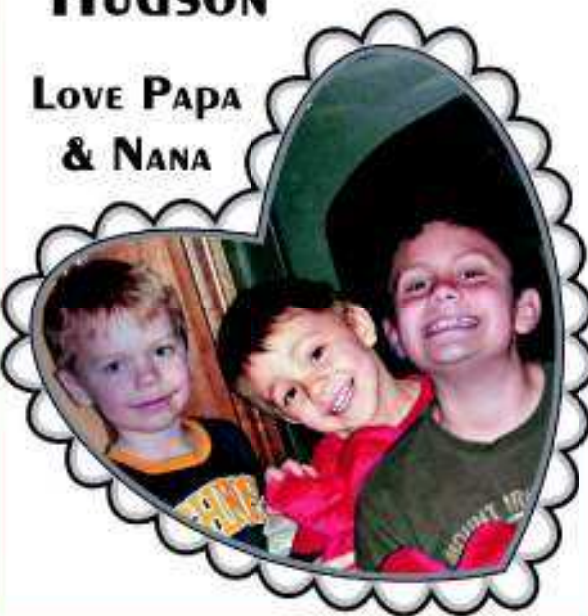
"Kuromi Quezada"  
Mama Amanda Q., Grandma  
Melissa & Grandpa Ben Andrews  
All love you!  
Happy 2<sup>nd</sup> Valentines Day to  
Grandma's Girl.

Mom & Dad  
Thanks for all you do! We are  
very lucky to have parents like  
you! We love you!  
-Louisa, Jeni, Ricky, & Steve

To my Handsome Snowman,  
You make my heart melt!  
Luv u,  
Poopsie

## GRAYSON, McCoy & Hudson

LOVE PAPA  
& NANA



## Happy Birthdays



## Joe Pavkov turns 90!



The Pavkov family  
invites you to an open house  
to celebrate!  
Saturday, February 20, 2010  
2-5pm at Gooding Elks Club  
624 California Street, Gooding, ID  
No gifts please. Your stories and  
memories will be gift enough.

## NEW TODAY

### AGRICULTURE

#### 704 Pets and Pet Supplies

BOXER puppies, 1 female, 1 male,  
\$350 each or \$650 for both, 11  
weeks. Call 208-650-6061.

#### 707 Irrigation

GATED PIPE for sale approx 4200  
aluminum and PVC pipe, various  
size with fittings & navigators.  
Call for more info 208-320-3352.

#### REMEMBER

That birthday or anniversary  
picture you ran in the paper.  
Now is the time to come in  
and pick up your pictures.

### MISCELLANEOUS

#### 828 Garage Sale

DILLON ESTATE SALE  
Feb. 18-19 (9-6)  
Feb. 20 (9-2)  
300 E. Baseline, Rupert  
Nice bedroom set w/queen bed,  
washer, dryer, double bed,  
maple table, chairs & hutch,  
very large beveled mirror,  
microwave, wall safe, recliner,  
small kitchen appls, glassware,  
computer desk, all types of  
shelves, lovely sofa & love seat,  
side tables, lamps, kitchen items,  
knick-knacks, TVs, tools,  
luggage, Christmas items,  
wall pictures and entire garage.  
Managed by Blue Cow 312-4900

## SUDOKU

Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with  
several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9  
in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each  
3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level  
of the Conceptis Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

### Conceptis Sudoku

By Dave Green

2					1			
7			3		8			9
			5		6			
	8	1				4	7	
	6	4				2	3	
			8		3			
5			7		2			3
	4						8	

Difficulty Level ★★★★★

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### Answer to previous puzzle

1	5	8	4	2	3	6	7	9
9	3	4	7	6	1	8	5	2
7	2	6	5	9	8	4	3	1
6	8	9	3	4	7	1	2	5
2	4	5	1	8	9	7	6	3
3	1	7	2	5	6	9	4	8
4	9	1	6	3	5	2	8	7
5	7	2	8	1	4	3	9	6
8	6	3	9	7	2	5	1	4

Difficulty Level ★★★★★



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### REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS

Rock Creek Fire District is Requesting Qualifications for a Public  
Works Contractor to complete a new Fire Station in Kimberly,  
Idaho. All Contractor Statements of Qualifications are due by  
Wednesday, March 3, 2010, at 2:00 P.M. local time at the Rock  
Creek Fire Station, 242 Highway 30, Kimberly, Idaho, 83341.

The minimum qualifications include a State of Idaho Public Works  
General Contracting rating of "AAA". All interested parties may  
pick up information packages at the Rock Creek Fire Station,  
242 Highway 30, Kimberly, Idaho.

PUBLISH: February 11, 12, 13 and 14, 2010

### NOTICE OF HEARING ON NAME CHANGE

Case No.: CV 2010-58

A Petition to change the name of Merisol Whittle, born May 11,  
2002 in Burley, Idaho residing at PO Box 53 Oakley, Idaho  
83346, has been filed in Cassia County District Court, Idaho.  
The name will change to Merisol Colleen Whittle, because: she  
has asked for the middle name to be added to her name.  
The child's father is living and his address is PO Box 53, Oakley,  
Idaho 83346.

A hearing on the petition is scheduled for 1:30 o'clock PM on  
February 22, 2010, at the County Courthouse. Objections may  
be filed by any person who can show the court a good reason  
against the name change.

Date: 1-15-2010.  
By Deputy Clerk

PUBLISH: January 31, February 7, 14 and 21, 2010

### 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.

PUBLISH: January 31, February 3, 7, 10, 14, 17, 21, 24, 28 and  
March 3, 2010

### 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 citi-  
zens who seek further information to exercise their right to ac-  
cess public records and public meetings.

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Please address all legal advertising to:  
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The Times-News  
PO Box 548  
Twin Falls, Idaho  
83303-0548  
email to  
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Wednesday for Sunday, noon on Thursday for Monday, noon  
on Friday for Tuesday and Wednesday, noon on Monday for  
Thursday and noon on Tuesday for Friday and Saturday. Hol-  
iday deadlines may vary. If you have any questions call Ruby,  
legal clerk, at 208-735-3324.

### SUMMONS By Publication TO: LUIS EDUARDO TRUJILLO

You have been sued by Jennifer Desiree Trujillo, the plaintiff, in  
the District Court in and for Cassia County, Idaho, Case No.  
CV2010-128.

The nature of the claim against you is for divorce.  
Any time after 20 days following the last publication of this  
Summons, the court may enter a judgment against you without  
further notice, unless prior to that time you have filed a written  
response in the proper form, including the case number, and  
paid any required filing fee to the Clerk of the Court at Cassia  
County Courts, 1459 Overland Ave., Burley, Idaho 83318 and  
served a copy of your response on the plaintiff, whose mailing  
address and telephone number are 1742 Burton Ave., Burley,  
Idaho 83318, 208-572-6184.

A copy of the Summons and Complaint can be obtained by  
contacting either the Clerk of the Court or the plaintiff. If you  
wish legal assistance, you should immediately retain an attorney  
to advise you in this matter.

Date: 2-4-10 Cassia County District Court  
By Sandra Albertson

PUBLISH: February 7, 14, 21 and 28, 2010

# EMPLOYMENT

Today in History, 5 / Crossword, 5 / Jumble, 7 / Horoscopes, 8 / Aces on Bridge, 9 / Dear Abby, 9

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 2010

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Part-time jobs wanted Magic Valley High School Dependable, Honest, Diligent, Hard-working, Friendly, Positive, Willing Students After school & weekends. Contributing to the Community. Contact David Brown School 733-8823 or Cell 293-2062

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### 0202 Clerical

**BOOKKEEPER**  
Job opening for Office Manger/Bookkeeper Quick Books experience required Smith Equipment Co., Rupert E-mail resumes to john@smithequipment.biz

**CLERICAL**  
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**DRIVER**  
Warehouse/Driver Class B & Air Brakes/Hazmat req. + Lift 60 lbs. repetitively. Customer service/team player skills. Good attitude. Must be punctual, reliable and neat. Call 208-732-0707

**DRIVERS**  
Local fertilizer dealer needs Seasonal Truck Drivers, Class A CDL with Hazmat and Tankers. Pick up application at 564 S. Idaho St. in Wendell, EOE

### 208 Farm

**Classified Private Party Ads**  
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**GENERAL PERSONNEL PLUS**  
Immediate openings:  
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•Inside Sales  
•ESL Assistant  
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•Manufacturing designer  
Exp in "Solid Works"  
•Grain Operator-Welder  
•Diesel Mechanic w/CDL  
•C.N.A.-Housekeepers  
Details & apply online at: [www.personnelinc.com](http://www.personnelinc.com)

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### EDUCATION

Murtaugh School Dist. is looking for a MS-HS Principal and an Elementary Teacher to join our team. Full benefits are available. Must pass a background check.

Please call for an application or send your resume to Superintendent Michele Capps. To have application emailed contact vonie.adams@murtaugh.k12.id.us



Murtaugh School Dist. 418  
P.O. Box 117  
Murtaugh, ID 83344  
208-432-5451

### EVENT PLANNER

Seeking Event Planning Contract Employee to oversee the Perrine Bridge Festival. Applicant must have event planning experience and be comfortable approaching sponsors for monetary support. Candidate will have experience leading volunteer committees. Public speaking skills are essential. College degree in marketing/advertising/communications preferred. Position extends from March, 2010 to September 30, 2010 and the hours vary. Please send a cover letter and a resume to Box 952022 c/o Times-News PO Box 548 Twin Falls, Idaho 83303.

### 209 General

**GENERAL**  
Annual local Phlebotomy workshop. Learn to draw blood, no prerequisites required. Space limited. 208-589-0132

**GENERAL**  
Local fertilizer dealer needs Loader Operator with experience. Pick up application at 564 S. Idaho St. in Wendell, EOE

**GENERAL**  
Several Positions available. Spray tech with no non-compete. Maintenance position. Bilingual laborer. Also looking for someone with sprinkler experience. Apply with resume at 1201 Falls Ave E. Suite 24

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Are you looking for a great challenge with lots of rewards? Park View Rehabilitation & Care Center is now hiring for Full-time nights and Part-time various shift CNA's. We have an excellent benefit package, and wages are based on experience. Interested applicants may apply in person at 2303 Park Ave, Burley, ID 83318

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**MEDICAL**  
Learn Phlebotomy 12 hour course being offered. March 4th, 5th & 6th in Burley. For more information Call Wendy 208-785-4801

### 213 Professional

#### EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

The Southern Idaho Solid Waste Board of Directors is seeking candidates to fill the position of Executive Director. Applications with resumes will be accepted up to March 5, 2010.

The Executive Director is responsible for the management of solid waste programs in a seven county regional solid waste district in South Central Idaho. Minimum qualifications include a Bachelors degree in public administration, engineering, environmental science, fiscal management or related field; five years of progressive management experience; and professional solid waste training certifications in SWANA.

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Inquiries or transmittals can be directed to Terry Schultz, 208-432-9082 or tschultz@sism.org. SISM is an EOE and drug free workplace

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**PROFESSIONAL**  
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Oakwood Homes/Clayton Homes a Berkshire Hathaway company is seeking a FT Experienced Sales associate. Health ins, vision, dental & 401k. Fax resumes to 208-733-7771

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### GENERAL



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Rangen Logistics is seeking an independent, highly motivated and team oriented Transportation Broker, for a fast paced office. This person should have extensive knowledge of the transportation brokerage industry with a customer and carrier following. Competitive hourly starting wage then working into a full commission program. Any existing active customer base will be exempt from non-compete clause. Require experienced brokers with customer/carrier followings. Benefits include health insurance, life insurance, 401K, long term disability insurance, vacation and sick days.

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# EMPLOYMENT

- **Registered Nurses - Full & part time positions available.**
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  - Surgical
  - Intensive Care Unit
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  - Behavioral Health
  - Emergency Department
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- **Clinical Office Position - CMA, LPN or RN required with previous clinical office experience preferred.**
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P.O. Box 409, Twin Falls, ID 83303-0409 (208) 737-2671 or FAX (208) 737-2741

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**North Canyon Medical Center is hiring for the following positions for:**

**Certified Nursing Assistant**  
Full-Time Temp position. C.N.A. license required. Varied schedule, which may include some weekends.

**Clinical Nurse Supervisor**  
Full-Time position. RN with current clinical expertise in ER and medical nursing. Role includes creating orientation programs, providing clinical updates and programs, providing clinical supervision of nursing staff. Requires some clinical shifts. BSN preferred, previous supervisory experience required.

**Foundation Development Director**  
Full Time position. Successful candidate will have a strong understanding of fundraising efforts with proven experience to grow and diversify the fundraising capacity of the foundation. Strong skills in the day to day operations of managing a hospital foundation and grant writing experience preferred.

**Medical Lab Tech or Medical Technologist**  
PRN position. ASCP or equivalent certification.

**Perioperative Operating Room RN**  
Full-Time position. Licensed as a RN in the State of Idaho. Prefer 2 years current OR experience. Current BLS certification. ACLS Certification and procedural sedation competency required within 90 days of hire. Thorough knowledge of surgical instruments, surgical supplies, aseptic technique and intra-operative medications.

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Part-Time position for weekends. High School or above. Phlebotomy class preferred. Must have good customer services skills and get along well with others. 6 months experience preferred, but would train the exceptional person.

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PRN position. Weekdays. Receptionist duties include answering phone, registering patients, greeting visitors. Successful candidate will have knowledge of patient billing procedures, experience as a receptionist preferably in a healthcare setting, and be able to interact effectively with persons of all backgrounds.

Send resume to: Sara Otto  
Director of Human Resources  
1120 Montana St.  
Gooding, ID 83330  
208-934-4433 x 1109  
Email: [sara.otto@ncm-c.org](mailto:sara.otto@ncm-c.org)  
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#### 501 Open House

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OPEN HOUSE - Sunday 1-4pm  
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Steve Koch Property Auction  
Wed, March 3 - Hazelton, Id  
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**TWIN FALLS (East)** Morningsun Sub'd. 1800 sq. ft. w/bsmt, 2560 finished, 940 unfinished, 4 bdrm, 3 bath, huge family room, computer room, granite, many upgrades, 3 car garage. \$249,900. For sale by builder Josh Ruf 208-539-1921.

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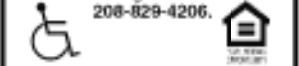
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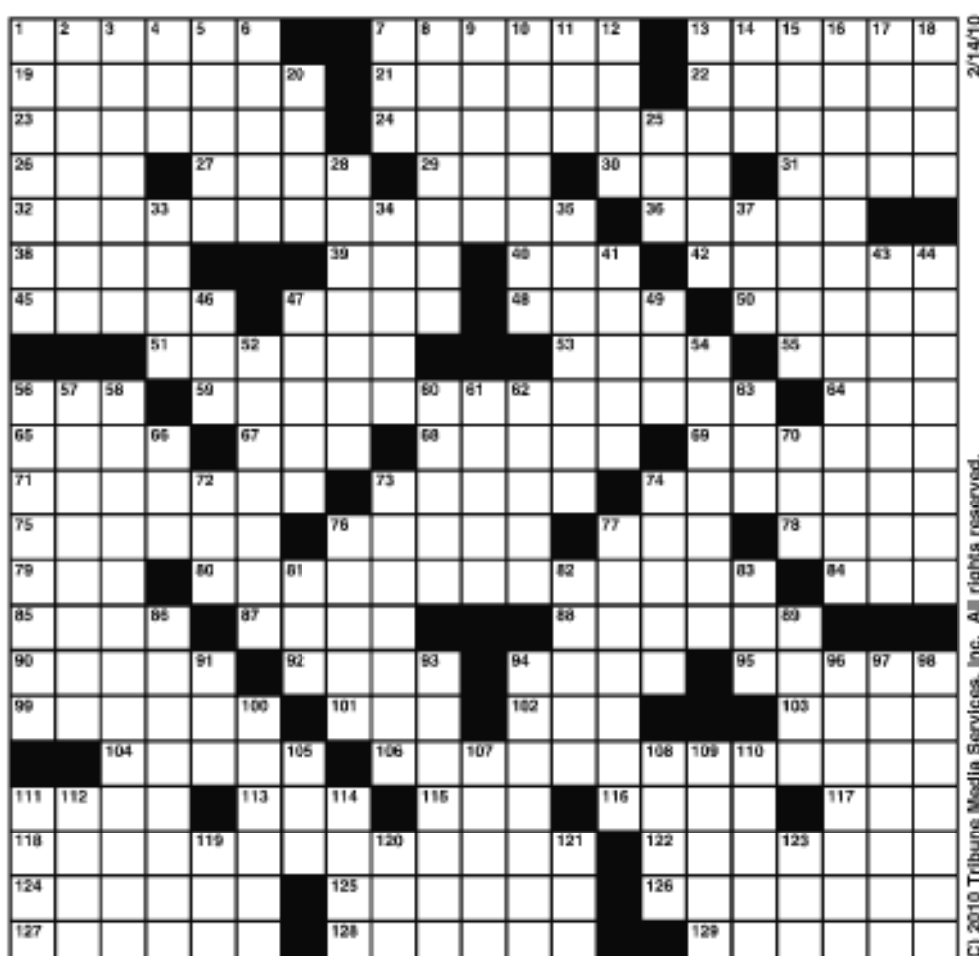
# Sunday Crossword

Edited by Rich Norris and Joyce Nichols Lewis

## MAD LOVE By Natalie Dyvens

### ACROSS

- 1 Register
- 7 '70s-'80s FBI sting aimed at corrupt politicians
- 13 Be there
- 19 Frito-Lay corn snacks
- 21 Secret
- 22 Biden predecessor
- 23 Crisis phone service
- 24 Run-down old Roman truck?
- 26 Ajar, in poems
- 27 Drudge
- 29 Salem-to-Portland dir.
- 30 CNN launcher
- 31 Desperate
- 32 Tax expiration headline?
- 36 Start of a French oath
- 38 Sailing or whaling
- 39 CFO's degree, maybe
- 40 Chelsea zoo opening?
- 42 Mug with a hinged lid
- 45 "G.T.O." singers — & the Daytonas
- 47 Million-millennia period
- 48 Schooners' contents
- 50 10th century Norwegian king
- 51 Numerical entry aid
- 53 A big fan of
- 55 Quick cut
- 56 Service abbr.
- 59 Out-of-work Baltic natives?
- 64 Jolson and Jarreau
- 65 List ender: Abbr.
- 67 "\_\_\_ you sure?"
- 68 Stephanie's dad
- 69 Easy to use
- 71 Ginger ale type
- 73 Not seen as much
- 74 Near the beginning
- 75 Bullfight cheer
- 76 English cattle breed
- 77 Rying stat.
- 78 Electronics time meas.
- 79 Salon acquisition
- 80 Attack the Falkland Islands' capital?
- 84 \_\_\_-80: old computer model
- 85 Like SFO and LAX
- 87 Senior housing?
- 88 Scottish property owners
- 90 Blue Jays' all-time winningest pitcher



- 92 In \_\_\_ of
- 94 Cranberry sources
- 95 Goller's problem
- 99 Medieval estates
- 101 D.C. player
- 102 Berne's river
- 103 Auth. of many quotes?
- 104 Scandal-plagued giant
- 106 Cowgirl in a crib?
- 111 Egg holder
- 113 Clear
- 115 John, to Paul
- 116 "\_\_\_ Dick"
- 117 Morgantown sch.
- 118 Some gondola passengers?
- 122 Graceful antlered critter
- 124 Head cases?
- 125 Renoir subject
- 126 "Let's Make a Deal" option
- 127 Most insidious
- 128 Risky dates
- 129 Barely made a ripple in, as during a dive

- 4 Donizetti aria
- "Regnava \_\_\_ silenzio"
- 5 Response at the door
- 6 Canonical hour
- 7 Battery types
- 8 Three-time Oscar-winning character actor Walter
- 9 Hollywood shooting
- 10 Concerto's extended solo passage
- 11 To some degree
- 12 Soften
- 13 Takes the role of
- 14 How-hot-it-feels meas.
- 15 They can climb the walls
- 16 Shrink everyone wants to be like?
- 17 Close
- 18 Force unit
- 20 Fluids in shots
- 25 Six-pack makeup
- 28 NSA headquarters site
- 33 Pull hard
- 34 "Gin \_\_\_ meet \_\_\_": Burns
- 35 Drop off
- 37 Co. leader

- 41 Leisure fabric
- 43 Villain
- 44 Fakes it, in a way
- 46 Longing
- 47 Mimic's talent
- 49 Concourse locale: Abbr.
- 52 Time for an audit
- 54 Miraculous way to walk?
- 56 It's a family affair
- 57 Mythological woman raised by hunters
- 58 This puzzle's theme—each of seven answers is a 77-Down of it
- 60 Time off
- 61 Fuzzy dos
- 62 16th century council site
- 63 Round Table title
- 66 Heavenly lion
- 70 Shade provider
- 72 Caesar's 551
- 73 Lamb, e.g.
- 74 Onetime immigration center \_\_\_ Island
- 76 "Mack the Knife" singer

- 77 Roped, to Pedro
- 81 OED unit
- 82 Plenty
- 83 NFL rushing nos.
- 86 Price of many operas
- 89 Czech, for one
- 91 "It's sooo cold!"
- 93 SUV part
- 94 Weapon attached to a rifle
- 96 Amazed by
- 97 Meet
- 98 Made certain
- 100 Not happy with
- 105 Diarist Anaïs
- 107 \_\_\_ Ark
- 108 Titled nobleman
- 109 Online read
- 110 "I've got my \_\_\_ you!"
- 111 World Series qualifying matchup, briefly
- 112 Sandwich guy?
- 114 Owed money
- 119 Haze reduces it: Abbr.
- 120 Sailor
- 121 Many Soc. Sec. recipients
- 123 Soft & \_\_\_ deodorant

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# TODAY IN HISTORY

### On this date:

1893 — United States  
annexes Hawaii by treaty.

1899 — U.S. Congress  
approves, and U.S. President  
William McKinley signs, leg-  
islation authorizing states to  
use voting machines for fed-  
eral elections.

1920 — The League of  
Women Voters is founded in  
Chicago.

1929 — Seven hoodlums,  
rivals of the Al Capone gang  
in Chicago, Illinois, are mur-  
dered in what becomes  
known as the "Saint  
Valentine's Day Massacre."

1943 — Soviet forces  
recapture Rostov from  
Germans in World War II.

1946 — The first all-elec-  
tronic computer is intro-  
duced at the University of  
Pennsylvania.

1956 — Soviet Premier  
Nikita Khrushchev  
denounces Joseph Stalin's  
policies at Soviet  
Communist Party confer-  
ence.

1958 — Union of  
Kingdoms of Iraq and Jordan  
into Arab Federation with  
King Faisal as head of state.

1962 — U.S. first lady  
Jacqueline Kennedy con-  
ducts a televised tour of the  
White House.

1972 — U.S. trade restric-  
tions against China are  
relaxed, putting China on  
same basis as Soviet Union.

1978 — U.S. government  
announces plans to sell bil-  
lions of dollars worth of arms  
to Egypt and Saudi Arabia as  
well as to Israel, saying that  
will maintain military bal-  
ance in the Middle East.

1979 — Four armed men  
kidnap U.S. ambassador to  
Afghanistan Adolf Dubs. The  
ambassador is later killed in a  
shootout with police.

1988 — Three officers of  
Yasser Arafat's mainline  
group in the Palestine  
Liberation Organization are  
killed in Cyprus when their  
booby-trapped car explodes.

1989 — Ayatollah Ruhollah  
Khomeini of Iran issues edict  
sentencing British author  
Salman Rushdie to death for  
allegedly insulting Islam,  
sending him into hiding for  
years.

1991 — Several Latin  
American countries halt food  
imports from Peru, seeking to  
contain a cholera epidemic  
that killed 3,000 people.

1994 — An anti-terrorism  
court in Algeria sentences 27  
Islamic fundamentalists to  
prison in one of the country's  
biggest anti-terrorism trials.

1996 — Zapatista National  
Liberation Army rebels  
accept a Mexican govern-  
ment offer of limited political  
and judicial autonomy for  
some of Mexico's more than  
7 million indigenous people.

1999 — Israeli and  
Palestinian forces face off  
with guns after coming to  
blows at an Israeli roadblock  
in the way of a Palestinian  
demonstration in the Gaza  
Strip.

2001 — A criminal investi-  
gation is conducted into out-  
going U.S. President Bill  
Clinton's last-minute par-  
don of fugitive commodities  
traders Marc Rich and Pincus  
Green, who had fled to  
Switzerland in 1983 to escape  
prosecution for tax evasion  
and violation of a trade  
embargo.

2002 — Researchers at the  
U.S. Texas A&M University  
in College Station success-  
fully clone a cat, making it  
the sixth species to be  
cloned.

2005 — A powerful bomb  
assassinates former prime  
minister Rafik Hariri and 13  
other people, devastation  
that harked back to  
Lebanon's violent past and  
raised fears of new bloodshed  
in the bitter dispute over  
Syria, the country's chief  
power broker.

2008 — Rival factions in  
Kenya's political crisis agree  
to write a new constitution, a  
move that could allow for  
power-sharing as part of a  
deal aimed at ending weeks  
of violence.

2009 — The Group of  
Seven finance ministers  
pledge to avoid resorting to  
protectionism as they try to  
stimulate their own  
economies in the face of the  
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FOUND Digital Camera. Call to identify type and pictures. Found in Twin Falls on N. Lincoln. Call 208-329-0995

FOUND DOG Pug puppy on Feb. 7 at Skyline Park in Twin Falls. Call to identify 208-733-5236.

FOUND Small Poodle wearing blue lead in the vicinity of Spruce & Locust. 208-731-8033 or 420-0139.

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FOUND White dog, female, possibly part Pit Bull, west of Hagerman. Call 208-837-6242



LOST Cat in Twin Falls Still looking for my "Romeo". Male, black/white, 2 yrs old, neutered. Green eyes, tail is all black. No collar. Lost on Min View Dr. \$100 REWARD. 435-630-0236 or 208-732-8419

LOST Dogs, both male, 1 German Shepherd, 1 Shepherd mix, traveling together in the Bliss area. Call 208-404-3316

LOST English Bulldog, female, in the Meadowbrook Sub'd of Paul. Reward. Call 208-670-4446.

LOST Heeler mix, male, less than 1 year old, neutered, last seen 6 miles S. of Strevella. 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.

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LOST Schnauzer, miniature pup, black, last seen 2/8 on 2050 E between 4th and 1850 S, Gooding. If found call 539-3399.

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**ARIES (March 21-April 19):** Toss things up. Oil and water might not mix, but they make a great salad dressing. You and your special someone might not be completely alike but you will find that you complement each other this week.

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20):** Grab plenty of baskets. Someone loves you a bushel and a peck. In the week to come, you might find that you are popular and appreciated in the career area, so may find it easy to make progress.

**GEMINI (May 21-June 20):** Conjure up images of romantic paradise. You might make them a reality. Whether you are forging a lucrative business partnership or searching for a soul mate, this is the ideal week to reach for the stars.

**CANCER (June 21-July 22):** Play the part of the hero or the heroine. You might rescue someone from the grasping claws of a dragon of loneliness by offering a nicely wrapped box of chocolates or a bunch of fresh flowers.

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**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22):** Make the most of this romantic holiday with a sincere message of love. This is a good week for signing contracts and making long term commitments. Begin a successful regimen to improve your health.

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**SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21):** it is possible to attain perfect harmony with a loved one. If you are single, this is the time to put the moves on your heart's desire. This week you may get more than your fair share of kudos at work.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21):** You may get your wish granted if you dream of having white picket fences and two dogs in the yard. This is a great week to develop and enjoy all the fringe benefits of a devoted partnership.

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**Dear Mr. Wolff:**

You are third to speak with ♠ J-9, ♥ A-Q-7-3-2, ♦ 10-3-2, ♣ Q-7-4. If there are two passes to you, would you consider opening with a weak-two bid?

Risky Business, Levittown, Pa.

**ANSWER:** This pattern is not ideal for a weak-two bid. (We all know the bid promises six, but in third seat who's counting?) If you are going to open a five-card suit, you'd like more internal solidity or a side four-card suit, providing more offense and fewer quick losers. Opening one heart in third seat would not worry me as much, though.

**Dear Mr. Wolff:**

What are the instances, if any, of a two-trick penalty for a revoke? I understand the laws have changed.

Keystone Kop, Memphis, Tenn.

**ANSWER:** The 2007 laws have simplified the revoke penalties. There is no penalty if the revoking side won no tricks after the revoke, and a maximum of one if they won only one trick. That said, unless the player who revoked won the trick himself with that "revoking card," it is a one-trick penalty. If he personally won the trick and his side subsequently won at least two tricks, it is a two-trick penalty. If the penalty does not restore equity, the Director has powers to adjust the result.

**Dear Mr. Wolff:**

Yesterday at the club many players encountered a hand that caused them considerable problems. They held ♠ Q-3, ♥ A, ♦ A-Q-2, ♣ K-Q-J-9-7-4-3 and opened one club, hearing two diamonds on their left and two spades from their partner. What would you do next?

Upward Mobility, Wausau, Wis.

**ANSWER:** This hand has such huge slam potential that you should ignore the possibility that it is right to stop in three no-trump. Jump to four clubs to show a good club suit and a good hand, prepared to bid six clubs on your own if partner simply raises. If he can cue-bid a red suit, the sky is the limit.

**Dear Mr. Wolff:**

In a recent question you had one player responding one no-trump to his partner's overcall of one spade over one heart. At his next turn, after his partner introduced a diamond suit, responder then bid the opponent's suit. If the first call of one no-trump showed a heart stopper, surely the second call could not be a cuebid and must be showing a genuine heart suit. Am I correct?

The Riddler, Pueblo, Colo.

**ANSWER:** Many bridge players normally assume that you cannot play in the opponents' major suit, unless you have a specific agreement that such a call is natural. That rule applies here: a two-heart call simply shows a good hand and extra diamond support — maybe five trumps and a 10-count, a little too good for a simple raise to three diamonds.

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**DEAR ABBY:** My boyfriend recently moved in with me. We have a great relationship except that he is always slapping me on the bottom. He refers to it as "love taps."

I have told him many times I regard it as degrading and frustrating. It stings and I hate it. I have told him 10 different times in 10 different ways, including getting so angry I screamed obscenities at him.



**DEAR ABBY**  
Jeanne Phillips

When we get into little arguments, he will say, "That's it! You deserve a spanking for that!" and proceeds to hit me again. I know he thinks it's cute, and he obviously gets some sort of enjoyment out of it, but I am at my wits' end.

How can I get it through his head that his behavior is not only offensive, it is seriously harming our relationship by creating resentment? Does he just not care about my feelings, or does he not take me seriously when I tell him to knock it off?

— SORE IN CALIFORNIA

**DEAR SORE:** When someone continues to do something after having been told that it hurts, that you don't like it, and that you want it stopped, what it shows is lack of respect for your feelings and your "space." What is going on is not my definition of a "great" relationship. It's one in which there is a serious communication problem.

Now I have a question for you. What else does he ignore when you speak up?

**DEAR ABBY:** I take the shuttle bus from work along with a group of others from the same company. Last week, I got out of work a little early and was already sitting on the bus when the others boarded. Not realizing that I was there, a man who works in another department — whom I do not know well — said loudly, "I don't think that old lady is here today."

Abby, I am not yet 60, and he is older than I am! I know that for a fact. His remark was within earshot of the other workers and the driver. Needless to say, I was deeply upset and humiliated. In fact, I wrote a letter to the human resources department but never received a response.

I have considered calling the crass fellow to tell him how much he embarrassed me. Should I? What would you do, Abby?

— LOYAL READER ANY CITY, USA

**DEAR READER:** Are you the only older female who rides the shuttle? And are you positive the remark was about you? My initial reaction was that the man may have thought someone who usually takes the bus wasn't there yet and he might have been voicing concern — as in, "Maybe we should wait a few minutes until she gets here."

Rather than calling him, I would let it go. If he was talking about you, he embarrassed HIMSELF with his tactlessness far more than he embarrassed you.

**DEAR READERS:** Today is a double holiday. Not only is it Valentine's Day (greetings to all you lovers out there), but it also is the beginning of the lunar New Year. This is the Year of the Tiger. Individuals born this year are known for their charm, and when they see opportunity, they're quick to pounce. A formidable combination not only in the jungle, but also in society!

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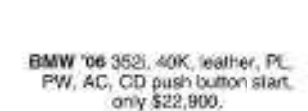
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Stacy Schrock, 23, plays with her nephew, 3-year-old Javin Hartgrave, Monday afternoon at her home near Twin Falls. Schrock plans to go to Germany next month to receive stem cell therapy; she was paralyzed after an auto accident in October 2008.

# Cells of HOPE

## Family going to Germany for stem cell treatment despite medical community's doubts

By Melissa Davlin  
TIMES-NEWS WRITER

In a white and blue house outside Twin Falls, Stacy Schrock's 3-year-old nephew, Javin Hartgrave, sat on her lap. They practiced counting and colors on a plastic toy caterpillar while Javin sang and cuddled Stacy.

Stacy's mom, Lisa Schrock, isn't sure whether Javin remembers a time when Stacy could walk, but he never asks why his aunt is in a wheelchair.

And despite her spinal cord injury, Stacy hopes to overcome paralysis and go for walks with Javin in the next few years.

On March 5, Stacy, 23, plans to fly to Germany for the first of many stem cell treatments to repair damage to her spinal cord. Despite criticism of international stem cell clinics from the U.S. medical community, Stacy is hopeful the \$15,000 to \$20,000 treatment will help her walk again.

A stem cell has the ability to transform into any of the body's 200-plus cell types. Stem cells can be harvested from bone marrow, embryos, placentas or umbilical cord blood, among other sources, and can come from the patient or a donor.

In October 2008, Stacy and her friends were involved in a single-car accident near Burley on

Interstate 84. Stacy and another woman were ejected from the car. Before she was flown to Boise, some of the first responders assumed Stacy was dead, Lisa said. Stacy has no memory of the accident or the two days prior.

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Stacy spent three months in a Boise hospital before coming home to a newly renovated house with wider halls and doorways for her wheelchair. Although she misses her independence, she is getting used to life in a chair. She resumed classes at College of Southern Idaho — studying to become a dental hygienist — and is looking



Stacy Schrock works with physical therapist Dennis Gillette on Feb. 5 at Center for Physical Rehabilitation in Twin Falls.

for a car with suicide doors so she can lift her wheelchair into her car by herself.

That's not to say she does-

n't hope to ditch the chair someday.

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## She loves me, she loves my flowers not

Ask any economics professor how we fell into today's nasty recession, and they'll eventually start a long-winded sermon about flowers — tulips, to be more precise.

In the early 17th century, tulips had become so popular in Europe that traders boosted the price of bulbs to almost 10 times their common value. In Holland, price speculation was so high that producers threw all investments into bulb production. Eventually in 1637, supply overwhelmed demand, prices bottomed out, and half of Europe started eating gruel.

SPILT MILK  
David Cooper



My point here is that while flowers may be beautiful, delicate and fragrant, they are ripe with deceit.

When a man gives a woman flowers, he's usually either apologizing or covering something up. When a house has bunches of flowers outside, it probably has nests of termites inside.

But no fib is as laughable as when your wife or girlfriend says, "Don't worry about buying me flowers for Valentine's Day."

If you're gullible enough to believe that, you should buy two of those half-price Snuggie robes at the drug store, because you'll probably be wearing both when you sleep in the garage.

Gentlemen, it's not that hard to remember: Just like you expected nachos for the Super Bowl, she expects flowers for Valentine's Day.

I know this because my wife has worked as a florist for 12 years. Generally, she loathes Valentine's Day. It's by far the most profitable day of the year for the floral industry. But when it's over, she returns home with fingers full of thorns and an expression that resembles a Spaniard run over by the bulls in Pamplona.

Yet experience has taught me that come hell or high water, there must be a bouquet awaiting her when she comes through the door. In the years since she's been a florist, I've failed to buy flowers only once, and I'm still not sure she's forgiven and forgotten.

There are legitimate reasons for my hesitation in buying a bouquet. Biggest of all is that I'll look like a tightwad — or a dunce. A steep investment has to be made if I want to evoke a sincere impression. Presenting a \$15 bouquet to my wife is like trading in a rickshaw at a Mercedes dealer.

My wife's floral arrangement also requires some sophistication and creativity well above my botanical pay-grade. Maybe you can earn your wife's affection with long-stemmed red roses. But at my house, that's about as original as socks for Christmas.

Instead, it's going to take some true effort on my part. I'll probably need to call around and find lilies, calla lilies, hydrangeas, waxflower, orchids or maybe a rare magnolia.

If those don't turn up, I could always try a special-order Snuggie with tulip prints on it.

On second thought, I'd better buy two.

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# Love at first warning

## Romance accelerates after he pulls her over

By Melissa Davlin  
Times-News writer

When those blue and red lights started flashing in her rearview mirror, Tiffany McKelvey had no idea she'd be meeting her future husband.

McKelvey and her fiance, Twin Falls police officer Kevin Loosli, met when he pulled her over on suspicion of driving under the influence. McKelvey wasn't intoxicated, and now he is helping her plan their wedding

instead of testifying against her in court.

Loosli pulled over McKelvey in April 2008, when she and her then-boyfriend were taking a friend's car home from the bar. The boyfriend drove the friend's car, and McKelvey took her boyfriend's. That car had poor steering wheel alignment, and McKelvey had trouble keeping it steady.

"I pulled her over 'cause she was swerving in her lane," Loosli said.

Loosli, now 27, didn't flirt with McKelvey, now 20 — he was professional throughout the process, she said. But she found out lately that he thought she was cute and

took notice of her age to see whether she was old enough for him. After it was clear that McKelvey hadn't been drinking, Loosli let her go.

A week later, McKelvey saw him while volunteering at an anti-drunken driving event at Twin Falls High School.

"I said, 'I bet you feel silly for pulling me over now. Here I am trying to prevent this crap,'" she said. "I was just in a sassy mood that day."

Two weeks later, she saw him again when visiting a friend, who happened to be Loosli's roommate. Over the next year, the two

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Courtesy photo/Burbank Photography

Twin Falls police officer Kevin Loosli and fiancée Tiffany McKelvey first met when he pulled her over in a traffic stop. A year later, Loosli asked McKelvey on a date.

## SENIOR CALENDAR

### Twin Falls Senior Citizen Center

530 Shoshone St. W., Twin Falls. Lunch at noon. Suggested donation: \$4.50, seniors; \$5.50, under 60; \$2.50, under 12. Center hours: 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.; lounge and pool rooms; bargain center, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Daily lunches are available for take-out from 11 a.m. to noon; seniors 59 and under, \$5.50; seniors 60 and older, \$4.50. 734-5084.

#### MENUS:

**Monday:** Beef and noodles  
**Tuesday:** Fried chicken  
**Wednesday:** Roast pork  
**Thursday:** Chicken patty  
**Friday:** Swedish meatballs with rice

#### ACTIVITIES:

**Today:** Unitarian Church service, 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. .  
Let's Dance, 2 p.m.  
**Monday:** Quilting, 8 a.m. Fit and Fall Proof exercise, 10:30 to 11:15 a.m. Bridge, 1 p.m. Tai chi, 1 p.m., \$1  
Bunco-contr dancing, 6 p.m. Duplicate bridge, 6:30 p.m.  
**Tuesday:** Ticket Tuesday at lunch  
Duplicate bridge, noon  
AARP tax aid, by appointment  
Let's Dance, 6 to 11 p.m.  
**Wednesday:** Cinnamon rolls for sale, 8 a.m. to noon; \$1.50 each  
Quilting, 8 a.m.  
Fit and Fall Proof, 10:30 to 11:15 a.m.  
Tai chi  
Gem Fiddlers  
Board meeting, 1 p.m.  
Pinochle, 7:30 p.m.  
**Thursday:** Pinochle, 1 p.m.  
Oil painting by appointment, 734-0509  
Money bingo, 6:30 to 10 p.m. (minimum \$7, medium \$11, average \$15; 16 games)  
**Friday:** Quilting, 8 a.m.  
Fit and Fall Proof, 10:30 to 11:15 a.m.  
Texas Hold'em, 1 p.m.  
Tai chi, 1 p.m., \$1

### West End Senior Citizens Inc.

1010 Main St., Buhl. Lunch at noon. Suggested donation: \$4, seniors; \$5, under 60. Sunday buffet: \$5, seniors; \$6, under 60; \$4, under 12. Center hours: 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sunday; 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday, Tuesday, Thursday; 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. Wednesday. Bus runs for lunch pickup, call 543-4577 by 10:30 a.m. today, Tuesday and Thursday. Energy assistance by appointment, 736-0676. Tax preparation by appointment, 543-4577.

#### MENUS:

**Monday:** Potato soup and sandwich  
**Tuesday:** Bacon burger  
**Wednesday:** Hot pork sandwich  
**Thursday:** Birthday dinner, chicken

#### ACTIVITIES:

**Today:** Valentine's Day dinner, 1 p.m.  
**Monday:** SilverSneakers exercise program, 10:30 a.m.  
**Tuesday:** Quilting, 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.  
**Wednesday:** SilverSneakers, 10:30 a.m.  
Jackpot, Nev., trip  
Bingo at 7 p.m.; minimum cost is \$9; public welcome  
**Thursday:** Quilting, 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.  
Blood pressure checks, 11:45 a.m.  
Bingo, 1 to 3 p.m.

**Friday:** SilverSneakers, 10:30 a.m.  
Mardi Gras fundraiser halibut dinner, 5:30 p.m., bingo and a silent auction; tickets: \$11 per person at 543-4577 or at the door.

### Filer Senior Haven

222 Main St., Filer. Lunch at noon. Suggested donation: \$4. Center hours: 8 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

#### MENUS:

**Tuesday:** Baked ham  
**Wednesday:** Hot turkey sandwich  
**Thursday:** Roast beef

#### ACTIVITIES:

**Monday:** Bingo, 6:30 p.m.; public welcome  
**Tuesday:** Puzzles, 11:30 a.m. Bingo, 12:45 p.m. Cards, 1 to 4 p.m. Foot clinic, 1 p.m.  
**Wednesday:** Puzzles, 11:30 a.m. Pinochle, 1 p.m.  
**Thursday:** Fiddlers, 11:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m.  
Bingo, 1 p.m.  
**Friday:** Pinochle, 7 p.m.

### Ageless Senior Citizens Inc.

310 Main St. N., Kimberly. Lunch and full-serve salad bar, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.; take-out; home delivery. Suggested donation: \$4, seniors; \$5, under 60; \$2.50, under 12. Center hours: 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

#### MENUS:

**Monday:** Ham and bean soup  
**Wednesday:** Chicken pot pie  
**Friday:** Roast pork

#### ACTIVITIES:

**Monday:** Nu-2-U Thrift Store open 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Exercise, 10:30 a.m. AA meeting, 8 p.m. Al-Anon meeting, 8 p.m.  
**Tuesday:** Bingo, 7 p.m.; everyone over 18 welcome  
**Wednesday:** Nu-2-U open 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Exercise, 10:30 a.m.  
**Thursday:** NA meeting, 7 p.m.  
**Friday:** Nu-2-U open 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Exercise, 10:30 a.m. Bingo, 11:50 a.m. Pinochle, 1 p.m.  
**Saturday:** Pinochle, 7 p.m.

### Gooding County Senior Citizen Center

308 Senior Ave., Gooding. Lunch at noon. Suggested donation: \$3.50 for seniors. Center hours: 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

#### MENUS:

**Monday:** Fish and chips  
**Tuesday:** Ham and beans  
**Wednesday:** Meatloaf  
**Thursday:** Lemon chicken

#### ACTIVITIES:

**Monday:** Pool, 9:30 a.m. Pinochle, 12:30 p.m. Wild card, 6 p.m.  
**Tuesday:** Pool, 9:30 a.m. and 1 p.m. Hand and foot, 6 p.m.  
**Wednesday:** Pool, 9:30 a.m. Shuffleboard, 6 p.m.  
**Thursday:** Morning out, 9 a.m. Pool, 9:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. Music by fiddlers  
Pinochle, 7 p.m.  
**Friday:** Duplicate bridge, 1 p.m.

### Hagerman Valley Senior and Community Center

140 E. Lake, Hagerman. Lunch at noon. Suggested donation: \$4, seniors; \$5, under 60; \$2, under 12. Center hours: 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.; thrift shop,

10 a.m. to 2 p.m.; free high-speed Internet.

#### MENUS:

**Monday:** Meatloaf  
**Wednesday:** Chili  
**Friday:** Pot roast

#### ACTIVITIES:

**Monday:** Blood draws, 8:30 to 10:30 a.m.

### Jerome Senior Center

520 N. Lincoln St., Jerome. Lunch at noon. Suggested donation: \$3.50, seniors; \$5, non-seniors. Center hours: 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Trans IV bus runs Monday through Friday, call 736-2133.

#### MENUS:

**Monday:** Porcupine meatballs  
**Tuesday:** Country steak  
**Wednesday:** Sweet and sour chicken over rice  
**Thursday:** Barbecued beef on a bun  
**Friday:** Polish sausage

#### ACTIVITIES:

**Monday:** SilverSneakers exercise, 10:30 a.m. Bridge, 12:30 p.m. Last Resort  
Commission for the Blind  
SilverSneakers, 5:20 p.m.  
**Tuesday:** SilverSneakers, 10:30 a.m. Gem State Fiddlers  
Pinochle, 1 p.m. Bingo  
Snack bar, 5 p.m. Bingo, 7 p.m.; early bird, 6:45 p.m.  
**Wednesday:** SilverSneakers, 10:30 a.m. Bridge, 12:30 p.m. Dick and John  
Threads of Time, 1 to 4 p.m. Pinochle, 7 p.m.  
**Thursday:** SilverSneakers, 10:30 a.m. SilverSneakers, 5:20 p.m. Free Will Baptist Church  
potluck, 6 p.m. Marriage class, 7 p.m.  
**Friday:** SilverSneakers, 10:30 a.m. Rim Rock Balladeers, 11:30 a.m. Pinochle, 1 p.m. Kids Club, 3:30 p.m. AARP tax preparation by appointment

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130 S. Main, Richfield. Lunch at noon. Suggested donation: \$3.50, seniors; \$5.50, under 60.

#### MENUS:

**Monday:** Lasagna  
**Thursday:** Pepperoni pizza

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Main Street. Lunch at noon. Suggested donation: \$3, seniors; \$5, non-seniors.

#### MENU:

**Monday:** Soup and salad bar  
**Thursday:** Lasagna

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492 E. Cleveland Ave., Glens Ferry. Lunch at noon. Suggested donation: \$4, seniors; \$6, under 60; \$2.50, under 12. For rides: 366-2051. Center hours: 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.

#### MENUS:

**Tuesday:** Beef stew  
**Thursday:** Turkey and gravy

#### ACTIVITIES:

**Monday:** Tax preparation, 1 to 4 p.m. Potluck, 6 p.m.  
**Tuesday:** Census meeting  
**Wednesday:** Birthday bingo, 2 p.m.  
**Thursday:** Fit and Fall Proof

exercise, 10:30 a.m. Business meeting  
**Friday:** TOPS, 10 a.m.  
**Saturday:** Tax preparation, 1 to 4 p.m.

### Silver and Gold Senior Center

210 E. Wilson, Eden. Lunch at noon. Suggested donation: \$3.50, seniors; \$5, non-seniors. Center hours: 7 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday; 8 a.m. to noon Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

#### MENUS:

**Tuesday:** Meatballs  
**Thursday:** Fish

#### ACTIVITIES:

**Wednesday:** Bingo, 7 p.m.

### Golden Years Senior Citizens Inc.

218 N. Rail St. W., Shoshone. Lunch at noon. Suggested donation: \$3.50, seniors; \$5.50, under 60. Center hours: 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday; 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday.

#### MENUS:

**Tuesday:** Beef stew  
**Wednesday:** Ham sandwich  
**Friday:** Lasagna

#### ACTIVITIES:

**Monday:** Exercise, 9 a.m. Coffee, 9:30 a.m. Quilting, 10:30 a.m.  
**Tuesday:** Board meeting, 10:30 a.m. Pinochle, 1 p.m. Bingo  
**Wednesday:** Black-out bingo, 12:30 p.m.  
**Friday:** Pinochle, 1 p.m. Bingo  
**Saturday:** Pancake breakfast

### Camas County Senior Center

127 Willow Ave. W., Fairfield. Lunch at noon. Suggested donation: \$4, seniors; \$4.50, under 60; \$2.50, under 10.

Quilting, pool, table games, puzzles, TV, videos. Center hours: 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

#### MENUS:

**Tuesday:** Swiss steak  
**Wednesday:** Tacos  
**Friday:** Pork roast

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105 W. Ave. A. Lunch served at noon Mondays. Hours: 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

### Blaine County Senior Center

721 Third Ave. S., Hailey. Lunch at noon. Suggested donation: \$3, seniors; \$5, non-seniors. Center hours: 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday through Friday.

#### MENUS:

**Monday:** Closed for holiday  
**Tuesday:** Beer bratwurst  
**Wednesday:** Corned beef hash  
**Thursday:** Lasagna  
**Friday:** Prime rib sandwich

#### ACTIVITIES:

**Tuesday:** Knitters and Crocheters Anonymous, 10:30 a.m. Blood pressure, 12:30 p.m. Bingo, 1 p.m. Wii bowling, 2 p.m.  
**Wednesday:** Board meeting, 8:30 a.m. Fit and Fall Proof, 10 a.m. Arts and crafts with Cassi Griffin, 1 p.m. Biggest loser class, 2 p.m.  
**Thursday:** Movie "First Wives Club," 1 p.m.; \$2  
**Friday:** Table tennis, 9 a.m. Fit and Fall Proof, 10 a.m. Biggest loser, 2 p.m.

### Minidoka County Senior Citizens Center

702 11th St., Rupert. Lunch at noon. Suggested donation: \$5, seniors; \$6, non-seniors; \$3, under 12; \$4.50, home delivery. Gift shop: 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Center hours: 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Tax prepara-

tion by appointment: Linda at 436-1907. Medicare Part D assistance by appointments: Kitty Andrews at 677-4872, ext. 2.

#### MENUS:

**Monday:** Cheeseburger  
**Tuesday:** Enchiladas  
**Wednesday:** Potato soup  
**Thursday:** Pork chops  
**Friday:** Chicken or fish

#### ACTIVITIES:

**Monday:** Pinochle, 1 p.m.  
**Tuesday:** Pool, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.  
**Wednesday:** Pinochle, 1 p.m.  
**Thursday:** Pool, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Blood pressure checks and foot clinic, 10 to 11 a.m.  
**Friday:** Pinochle, 1 p.m. Bingo, 7 p.m.; \$7 and \$11 packets; 25 cents and \$1 games.

### Golden Heritage Senior Center

2421 Overland Ave., Burley. Lunch at noon. Suggested donation: \$4.50, seniors and children under 12; \$6, non-seniors. Center hours: 8:30 a.m. to 2 p.m.

#### MENUS:

**Monday:** Closed for holiday  
**Tuesday:** Beefy tomato macaroni  
**Wednesday:** Roast beef  
**Thursday:** Ribby sandwich  
**Friday:** Lemon fish

#### ACTIVITIES:

**Monday:** Pool Exercise, 11 a.m. Pinochle, 1 p.m.  
**Tuesday:** Pool Wood carving, 8:30 a.m. Radio show, 9:06 a.m. Community bingo; door open 6 p.m.  
**Wednesday:** Pool Exercise, 11 a.m. Pinochle, 1 p.m.  
**Thursday:** Board meeting, 1 p.m. Community pinochle, 6 p.m. Wood carving, 6 p.m.  
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## Most parents stay together after child's death

By Karen Kaplan  
Los Angeles Times

It's hard to imagine a bigger strain on a marriage than the loss of a child to cancer. Conventional wisdom holds that such tragedies increase the risk of divorce, but a new study says that isn't so.

Researchers from the Division of Clinical Cancer Epidemiology at Karolinska University Hospital in Stockholm tracked down 442 Swedish parents who had lost a son or daughter to cancer before the age of 25. Four to nine years after the

loss, 74 percent of the parents were still married to or living with the child's other parent.

To serve as controls, the researchers also found 452 parents with living children of the same age, sex and region of residence as the ones who died of cancer. Among those parents, 68 percent of their relationships were still intact.

Statistical analysis revealed that the bereaved mothers and fathers were 10 percent more likely to remain with their co-parents compared with the controls. The difference

was statistically significant. The results were published in the Archives of Pediatric and Adolescent Medicine.

There's little doubt that caring for a terminally ill child causes great psychological distress and marital strain. But previous studies that examined how families cope with the loss of a child have had mixed findings when it comes to divorce. Based on these Swedish results, the researchers conclude that, at the very least, "parents who have lost a child to cancer are not more likely to separate than others."

# Study suggests ‘we’ words strengthen marriages

By Leanne Italie  
Associated Press writer

Micki Sievwright has a new set of wheels that her husband constantly refers to as “my truck.” The same goes for their apartment and the backyard grill.

Turns out the pronouns the Denver couple use count for more than mere semantics in the long haul. A new study suggests that “we” language used between spouses in times of conflict goes along with less negative behavior and signs of stress in lengthy marriages.

Previous studies have indicated that use of inclusive pronouns that include “we,” “our” and “us” — versus “I,” “me” and “you” — are evidence of marital satisfaction in younger couples like Sievwright and hubby Dane, both of whom are 27. The latest work, in the September issue of the journal “Psychology and Aging,” carries the link forward to more established pairs when conflict bubbles, and reports evidence of more relaxed heart rates and blood pressure among those with the highest “we-ness” quotients.

“We found more ‘we’ language in older couples and in happier couples,” said Robert Levenson, the study’s senior researcher at the University of California, Berkeley.

Levenson said “we” words over “I” words are “part of this invisible language that can tell scientists what’s going on inside a marriage.” It’s a world so intimate and full of potential peril that honesty is sometimes sacrificed for saving face. Studying the tiny parts of speech is a valuable window because such words are often left uncensored in a marriage, though more research is necessary to determine whether marital bliss leads to “we” or the other way around, he said.

“It’s something that they’re not thinking about consciously and are probably not much aware of. It’s just a little chip of behavior that we can count,” Levenson said.

Each of 154 middle-age and older couples in the study spent 15 minutes discussing a point of disagreement while hooked to heart rate and blood pressure monitors in Levenson’s laboratory. The researchers later watched videotapes of the interactions with attention to emotional behavior and the pronouns used, overlaid



Micki Sievwright, right, hugs her husband, Dane, as they head out for the evening in the west Denver suburb of Lakewood, Colo.

AP photo

against the readings on physical stress. The middle-age couples were married at least 15 years and those in the older group at least 35 years.

“When the ‘we’ language was predominant, those 15 minutes were emotionally positive and physiologically calm, and those were also the couples who were most satisfied with their marriages,” Levenson said. Marital satisfaction was based on written questionnaires the couples filled out.

The ‘me’ pronouns were more closely associated than “we” language with negative facial expressions, tones of voice, body posture and gestures, the researchers said.

“It’s kind of like there’s no ‘I’ in team. There were lots of hints about this,” Levenson said. “This might be one way to strengthen the partnership.”

The idea of giving up some “me” in favor of “we” in marriage has implications that reach miles beyond parts of speech and may also hinge on massive generational shifts, said psychology professor Doreen Arcus, who delves into family issues at the University of Massachusetts Lowell.

Arcus, 57, said personal pronouns in relation to identity were the least of her worries when she and Dan got

hitched 28 years ago.

“We were fanatical about equality,” she said. She kept her name and insisted on shared wedding bands over an engagement ring, for instance.

There were other rules: They took turns sleeping on the side of the bed closer to the windows and the breeze, cooking dinner, sitting at the side of the table with the better view, balancing the checkbook.

“The list was quite extensive. Twenty-eight years later, we have settled into our own grooves and together they work for us. I never did care if the checkbook balanced to the penny. I’m a better cook than he is,” Arcus said.

A practical test of the power of pronouns, she said, would be to instruct people “feeling deeper conflict to

use more ‘we,’ and if you change the way they speak, does it alleviate the conflict? Language that does not reflect behavioral realities won’t fool anyone for long.”

For the Sievwrights, the transition from “me” to “we” is a work in progress as they look ahead to having kids and growing old together. Micki Sievwright wants her husband to stop calling the truck or apartment “his.”

“It’s likely a guy’s thing, but I’m trying to have him see these items as shared property because I use them and own them just as much as he does,” said Sievwright, who married her college sweetheart a year and a half ago.

Dane is still struggling.

“I still have a tough time saying ‘we’ versus ‘me’ in many realms of our relationship. It was ‘me’ for 26 years of my life,” he said. “I wouldn’t have even noticed unless she told me the way I described these things bothered her. I think as time passes and with her reminding me enough, I’ll eventually say ‘ours’ as opposed to ‘mine’ when it comes to the things we have or the time we share.”

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Times-News

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## Couple

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kept running into each other at social functions and discovered they had mutual acquaintances. McKelvey also learned she lived around the corner from Loosli’s Twin Falls home. They started hanging out on their own, and a mutual friend tried to hook them up. Meanwhile, McKelvey and her boyfriend broke up.

Although the two flirted, they didn’t go on their first date for a year. They figured out their friend had been trying to set them up, and they planned a joke date to mess with him.

That’s when Loosli made his move.

“He said, ‘If you’d actually like to go, I’d love to take you,’” McKelvey said.

On April 10, they went on their first date to Smokin’ Cowboys in Jerome. She didn’t want to kiss him because he was so much older. But at 11:11 p.m. — an auspicious time of the day for numerologists — she made a wish that he would kiss her. On the second date, her wish came true.

After seven months of exclusive dating, Loosli proposed to her Nov. 11 — in honor of that first 11:11 p.m. wish. The wedding is planned for April 10 — exactly a year after their first date, and about two years after he first pulled her over. Smokin’ Cowboys is catering the rehearsal dinner.

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# Left-, right- or mixed-handed? Watching your kids’ hands for clues to their brains

By Tami Dennis  
Los Angeles Times

A right-handed friend in high school was so worried about breaking her right hand — thus leaving her incapable of taking high-quality notes — that she would practice writing with her left hand just so she could be prepared. But kids whose dominant side seems to vary naturally? They concern researchers.

A new analysis has found that kids who are “mixed-handed,” or “cross-dominant” —

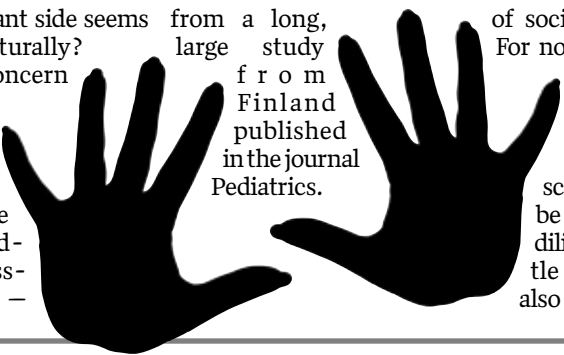
that is they do some tasks better with one hand, other tasks better with the other hand — are more likely to have language, learning and mental health problems, including attention-deficit hyperactivity disorder symptoms, at least compared with right-handed kids.

That’s the word from a long, large study from Finland published in the journal Pediatrics.

The researchers conclude that mixed-handedness, which indicates the brain is wired a little differently than is the norm, could be used to help identify kids at risk of such problems.

But, please, no one’s suggesting that kids be forced to use one hand or the other — the treatment some lefties once endured before the rest of society got enlightened. For now, it’s just one more thing about which easily unnerved parents can fret.

As for that high school friend, I opted to be impressed with her diligence. Perhaps a little unnerved, yes, but also impressed.



## Cells

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Stacy started researching stem cell treatments last year after hearing of other success stories. She started corresponding with spinal cord injury patients who had gone abroad for therapy.

“Everyone I’ve talked to has had something to gain,” she said.

In the U.S., stem cell transplants are approved for cancer treatment, but not for other diseases or spinal injuries. The stem cells used in cancer treatments are taken from bone marrow and help replenish blood cells after intense chemotherapy.

Across the country, universities and pharmaceutical companies are conducting studies on embryonic and adult stem cells, and in March 2009, President Obama issued an executive order that lifted research funding barriers put in place by former President George W. Bush. Other countries, including China, Germany, Dominican Republic and Mexico, allow stem cell treatment with varying levels of regulation.

Stacy decided to go to Germany because a clinic there uses the patient’s own stem cells instead of embryonic stem cells, which carry a risk of rejection or disease transmission, she said. During the procedure, the medical team will extract bone marrow from Stacy and take a couple of days to separate the stem cells. They will then extract a small amount of Stacy’s spinal fluid and replace it with the stem cells.

“I just kind of thought why not?” Stacy said. “It can only help.”

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Despite stories of successful stem cell treatments, not everyone in the medical community believes the practice is a good idea. Dr. Arnold Kriegstein, director of The Eli and Edythe Broad Center of Regenerative Medicine and Stem Cell Research at University of California, San Francisco, said international clinics take advantage of vulnerable patients who are looking for a cure to devastating injuries and illnesses.

Stem cell replacement therapy is promising for diseases like Parkinson’s, Kriegstein said in a telephone interview. But other conditions, like strokes or spinal injuries, may require more complex stem cell treatments. All of the treatments need more research, and there is no proof that the therapies offered by international clinics actually work.

“I fully understand what drives people to seek this kind of miraculous treatment,” he said, adding that he wouldn’t be researching stem cells if he didn’t think they had potential to help.

But the therapies currently offered abroad are “essentially snake oil. They’re offering nothing more than hope.”

“I would avoid it completely,” he said.

When contacted Tuesday with Kriegstein’s statements, Lisa Schrock wasn’t very concerned.

## PAYING FOR TRAVEL AND THERAPY

- **What:** Fundraiser dinner and poker tournament for Stacy Schrock’s stem cell treatments
  - **When:** 3 p.m. Feb. 21
  - **Where:** Turf Club, 734 Falls Ave., Twin Falls
  - **Dinner tickets:** \$25
  - **Poker tournament:** \$25 donation, or \$10 donation with a dinner ticket.
- Event also includes a silent auction, door prizes and prizes for the top three poker players.
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optimism and hope,” she said.

Stacy had heard only good things about the treatments and was surprised by Kriegstein’s view.

“So they say it’s not recommended?” Stacy said. “Wow.”

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**What the Schrocks did know**, however, was that several online acquaintances had seen benefits from having multiple stem cell therapies; so far, Stacy is scheduled for just one. One woman Stacy corresponds with regained control of her butt muscles after one treatment. It may not seem like much, Lisa said, but that is a huge improvement for someone who has no feeling from the waist down.

Doctors in Germany are optimistic about Stacy because she is so young and should heal quickly, the Schrocks said. Stacy is trying to strengthen her body in tra-

ditional ways, too; she does physical therapy twice a week at the Center for Physical Rehabilitation in Twin Falls.

Stacy is looking forward to her departure date with anticipation and anxiety. Despite the potentially life-changing procedure, she is most nervous about the flight, she said. She has never been on an international flight and isn’t sure how she will navigate her chair on the plane or where she will sit. The family is having trouble finding a German hotel that can accommodate her wheelchair.

But she says those problems will get sorted out. And despite doubt from some doctors, she hopes to return home with a little feeling in her legs.

“I really just want to try anything that I possibly can,” she said.

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# Dating? Don't sell yourself short

By Ellen McCarthy  
The Washington Post

Jess McCann was just out of college when she interviewed for her first sales position. Rather than have her sit across the desk from a hiring manager, the company sent her out on a sales call with an experienced associate who closed three deals that day.

"And I was just very impressed, just with the way she was," McCann recalls. "She was so confident, she presented herself so well, she got people to do what she wanted. ... I wanted to learn to be her."

Soon after, McCann found herself training other young sales professionals, so she read every book on sales techniques she could find. In her morning pep talks, she would often echo the dating analogies sales experts used in describing their professional strategies.

"OK," she would start, "you're going to go to an office today, and you don't know this person you're going to talk to, right? So it's like a first date. And when you walk in on a first date, what do you want to do? Smile, have good eye contact, exude positive energy?"

Actually, that wasn't what McCann had always done in her own dating life, but after frequently employing the tactic in her day job, it began to influence her approach to socializing. "And some of



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Jess McCann, author of 'You Lost Him at Hello,' says, 'You make love happen. You make your relationships possible.'

the people in my office would come up to me and say, 'You know, since I started working here, I have gotten a lot more dates.'"

McCann seized on the idea that sales techniques can inform dating strategies — not just the reverse — and, at 29, she quit her medical sales position to write an advice book ("You Lost Him at Hello") and establish a coaching service.

The premise, she says, is this: "You make love happen. You make your rela-

tionships possible."

McCann says the mistake many people — and women in particular — often make is that they think: "It will happen when I least expect it. He'll find me. He'll approach me. He'll call me." That, she says, is "very disempowering. It's passive."

In coaching women, McCann often takes her clients to a bar or another social setting and asks them to look a stranger in the eyes and smile.

"I might as well be asking

them to bungee jump. And I think they'd actually do that before they'd smile at a guy they think is cute. They're terrified," she says. "People think that when you look at them and smile the person is seeing into your soul for some reason. ... And it's ridiculous. Because everybody likes to be liked. That's what I have to remind people: It's OK to smile. It's OK for people to know that you like them."

To ease into the strategy, McCann suggests clients use it on everyone, smiling "at the cashier and the old man in the chair," just to get in the habit of giving off warmth.

She's a proponent of women starting conversations with men, but she advises them not to overinvest themselves in each date, getting their hopes up that "this could be it." She also warns clients against spending too much time too soon with someone they've just begun to date or precluding themselves from seeing other people in the hopes that a relationship will turn exclusive.

And if none of this strategy talk sounds very romantic, well, too bad. "Romance is for the movies," she says. "This is real life. You need a strategy if you want to get a job. You need a strategy if you want to buy a house or start a business. You need a strategy to get anywhere in life, and dating is no different, unfortunately."

# Co-founder of Beyond Consequences Institute to speak in Twin Falls

Times-News

Looking for answers about raising, teaching or counseling a child with difficult, even severe, behaviors?

St. Luke's Magic Valley Children at Risk Evaluation Services is bringing best-selling author Heather T. Forbes to its annual "Helping Children Heal" workshop March 3. The daytime workshop will require registration and be targeted for professionals. An evening education program, also March 3, will be free and open to the public.

Forbes will speak about why traditional parenting strategies don't work for some children. Attendees will learn strategies for creating healthy homes and gain an understanding of brain development, from conception on, and how the nervous system is affected by trauma, promoters say. Memory, emotions and stress will be discussed as they pertain to common childhood mental health disorders such as reactive attachment disorder, ADHD, oppositional defiant disorder and childhood depression.

Forbes has worked with nationally recognized attachment professionals in

"Parenting should always be done from a place of love and not fear."

— Author Heather T. Forbes

the field of trauma and attachment since 1999.

The mother of two children adopted from Russia, Forbes gave up a career as an architect and went back to school to get a master's degree in social work when presented with challenging behaviors from her children.

"Parenting should always be done from a place of love and not fear," Forbes said in a press release. "Our children are our greatest treasure and their own trauma histories and dysregulation needs to be addressed with unconditional love in order to make our lives as parents better and to improve our families' lives."

The daytime session for professionals is 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. March 3 at the Herrett Center for Arts and Science. Cost is \$40. Register: 737-2600.

The free community program is 7-9 p.m. March 3, also at the Herrett Center, for parents, foster parents, adoptive parents and teachers. Information: 737-2600.

## STORK REPORT

### Cassia Regional Medical Center

**Atley Rae Free**, daughter of Shawn and Andrea Free of Burley, was born Jan. 7, 2010.

### St. Luke's Magic Valley Medical Center

**Audrey Kay Benson**, daughter of Amy Raquel and Kyle Bruce Benson of Buhl, was born Jan. 18, 2010.

**Alexis Monique Pereira Munoz**, daughter of Maria Guadalupe Munoz of Hansen, was born Jan. 25, 2010.

**Ector Elias Vega Bielmas**, son of Roxanna Bielmas Becerra of Wendell, was born Jan. 27, 2010.

**Leah Alizabeth Malagon**, daughter of Kendra Phyllicia-Lynn Galvan and Jesus Javier Malagon of Twin Falls, was born Jan. 30, 2010.

**Kaden William Black**, son of Marilu and William Ferrel Black of Twin Falls, was born Feb. 1, 2010.

**Preston Lloyd Smith**, son of Jennifer Lee and Bridger Lloyd Smith of Twin Falls, was born Feb. 1, 2010.

**Austin Hunter Baggett**, son of Tammy Jo and Michael Christopher Baggett of Shoshone, was born Feb. 2, 2010.

**Paige Raelyn Cochran**, daughter of Alyssa Lynn and Brian Cassidy Cochran of Gooding, was born Feb. 2, 2010.

**Mack Clark Higley**, son of Barbara Jean and Brent Clark Higley of Twin Falls, was born Feb. 2, 2010.

**Kenneth Maximus Noakes**, son of Elisabeth Anne Halfhill and Kenneth Michael Noakes of Jerome, was born Feb. 2, 2010.

**Jase Daniel Janes** and **Jake Dylan Janes**, twin sons of Kayla Rae Richardson and Jason Paul Janes of Twin Falls, were born Feb. 2, 2010.

**Braxtyn Beau Pope**, daughter of Perrie Lizzybeau and Shey Kyle Pope of Twin Falls, was born Feb. 3, 2010.

**Xavier Gilbert Billiard-Ferreira**, son of Nicole Marie Billiard and Gilbert Ferreira of Hagerman, was born Feb. 3, 2010.

**Nathaniel Antonio Anaya**, son of Natosha Nyon and Anthony Joseph Anaya of

Kimberly, was born Feb. 3, 2010.

**Junior Garcia**, son of Victoria Rosario Garcia and Jorge Armando Garcia-Perrez of Jerome, was born Feb. 3, 2010.

**Madelyn Jean Matthews**, daughter of Sarah Dawn and Matt Kelly Matthews of Filer, was born Feb. 3, 2010.

**Warren Charles Fisher**, son of Renee Michelle and Timmy John Fisher of Filer, was born Feb. 4, 2010.

**David Alexander Gerhardt**, son of Cynthia del Rocio and Richard Gerhardt of Twin Falls, was born Feb. 4, 2010.

**Caleb Jay Wilmot**, son of Monica Dawn and Seth Barker Wilmot of Twin Falls, was born Feb. 4, 2010.

**Kayzee Joe Fisher**, daughter of Ashley Kristen and Joseph Ryan Fisher of Twin Falls, was born Feb. 5, 2010.

**Violet Ann McCoy**, daughter of Caitlyn Marie and Daniel Ryan McCoy of Twin Falls, was born Feb. 5, 2010.

**Abigail Paige McFarlane**, daughter of Michele Ann and Christopher Gordon McFarlane of Twin Falls, was born Feb. 6, 2010.

**Coltan David Martin**, son of Leandra Jeiris and Howard Ray Martin III of Twin Falls, was born Feb. 6, 2010.

**Toby John Martins**, son of Loretta Rose and Tony Eheino Martins of Filer, was born Feb. 7, 2010.

**Luke Matthew Frost**, son of Mikayla Rae Frost of Heyburn, was born Feb. 7, 2010.

**Savana Michelle Hudelson**, daughter of Michelle Ann Enoch and Nathaniel Hudelson of Filer, was born Feb. 7, 2010.

**Madison Ann Thompson**, daughter of Brittany Dawn Fuqua and Bryce Nathaniel Thompson of Gooding, was born Feb. 7, 2010.

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## Engagements

### Fair-Tverdy

Mrs. Dena Fair (Jamie Bingle) and Mr. Steven Pool announce the engagement of their daughter, Donna Ashley Fair, to Brandon Ward Tverdy, son of Mrs. and Mr. Scott Tverdy.

The bride elect is an attendant of Wendell High School and Cornerstone Baptist Academy. She is employed at a local non-profit organization as a manager.

Tverdy graduated from Castleford High School and attended Lewis Clark State College and Mount Hood Community College. He is



*Donna Fair and Brandon Tverdy*

employed by R & L Green Chop and Castleford Fire Department.

The wedding will be held at St. Edwards Catholic Church in Twin Falls, Idaho in late April.

## Hess-Crystal

Michael and Sheree Hess of American Falls are pleased to announce the marriage of their daughter, Kindi Hess to Travis Crystal, son of Dave Crystal of Idaho Falls and Steven and Karma Etherington of Rupert.

Kindi graduated from Highland High School in 1996. In 2000 she held the prestigious title of Miss Rodeo Idaho.

She continued her education and graduated from CSI, ISU, and Aspen University with her Bachelor degree in Nursing and Masters degree in Business Administration. She is currently practicing as a Critical Care RN at the University of Utah Burn Trauma ICU in Salt Lake City.

Travis graduated from Minico High School in 1994, where he was active



*Kindi Hess and Travis Crystal*

in football and baseball.

He now operates as an applicator for S & K Agri Spray, Inc. in Rupert.

The wedding ceremony will take place in the Twin Falls Temple on Friday, February 19th, 2010. A reception to honor the couple will be held that evening at 6 o'clock to 8 pm in Burley, Idaho at the Sweetheart Manor.

We apologize if we have missed sending an invitation to any of our friends and would like to extend an invitation to join us.



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Carolee Demer in Boise. Their grandchildren, Liz Demer and husband Ivan from Canada, Nathan and Joanie Demer and great grandchildren, Landon and Cameron from Eureka, California will join them electronically.

## The Peters



*Blanche and Ralph Peters*

Blanche and Ralph Peters celebrated their 65th wedding anniversary on Friday.

They were married February 12, 1945 at the Jerome Presbyterian Church.

They are longtime resi-



*Blanche and Ralph Peters*

dents of Jerome, both growing up and graduating from Jerome High School.

They have 5 children: Bill, Bob, Katie, Tom, Peggy; 32 grandchildren; and 44 great-grandchildren.

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# Kids Only

## Tracking the Arctic wolf in its habitat

By Margaret Webb Pressler  
The Washington Post

### WOLF FACT

Scientifically, wolves are members of the Canidae family (pronounced "CAN-i-day"). So are domestic dogs, foxes, coyotes and jackals.

WASHINGTON — Learning about the behavior of wild animals often requires hours and hours of personal observation. But what if the animal can't be followed?

That's the problem David Mech (pronounced "Meech") has had for much of his 50-year career studying wolves in the U.S. "You can't just go out and see a wolf," he said, because they are endangered and afraid of humans. So Mech spent years capturing wolves, putting radio collars on them, then tracking their movements by airplane.

But when Mech, a senior research scientist with the U.S. Geological Survey, began studying arctic wolves 24 years ago, it was a different story. These animals, a subspecies of the gray wolf and not endangered, had never been hunted or trapped by humans because they live so far north. Arctic wolves are so unafraid of people they have even untied Mech's shoelace and pulled off his glove.

Now, Mech goes to Ellesmere Island in remote northern Canada, 600 miles from the North Pole, every July. At that time of year, the sun never sets, so there is 24 hours of daylight and the temperature is usually in the 40s. It may even get into the 60s for a day or two. When he started going in 1986, "I would just sit there and watch these wolves around the den," Mech said. Over the years, he saw the pack range in size from a dozen members to as many as 20. He could even follow them hunting, using a small all-terrain vehicle. Mech's observations provided valuable information about wolf behavior to ani-

mal scientists around the world.

But three years ago, the wolf pack moved its den to a location that Mech couldn't reach. Camped at a remote weather station, he could only wait until the wolves came to him. So last summer Mech, 73, decided to use radio collars again, and he put one on the dominant male of the pack, named Brutus, who has worn the collar ever since.

The result is the first-ever information on the habits of wolves living in the Arctic during the winter — when it is dark 24 hours a day and the temperature is routinely 20 or 30 degrees below zero. Brutus' collar sends data to a satellite every 12 hours noting his location, and every four days, Mech gets an e-mail from the satellite service showing where Brutus has been. Mech is keeping a blog explaining the pack's movements, which you can follow at [www.internationalwolfcenter.blogspot.com](http://www.internationalwolfcenter.blogspot.com). (Also check his photos from 2006 of the beautiful, snow-white animals and their pups).

This winter, Mech was surprised to see that Brutus traveled between points as much as 80 miles apart — even crossing a huge frozen waterway to get to another island — probably for better hunting of muskoxen. Over time, Mech hopes the data will help scientists understand how these animals survive in such a harsh environment, possibly helping endangered species of wolves in the U.S.



DAVID MECH/U.S. Geological Survey

Arctic wolves, which live in remote northern Canada, are less afraid of humans than the endangered gray wolf. David Mech, a senior research scientist with the U.S. Geological Survey, uses radio collars to follow their movements.

## When your heart is too sick to be fixed, sometimes doctors turn to A LIVESAVING MACHINE



LINDA DAVIDSON/Washington Post

When Savoy Bradford, who has a left ventricular assist device (LVAD) to keep his heart beating, goes for a checkup, Carolyn Hanny Gilbert, the LVAD coordinator at Washington Hospital Center, checks the records of his machine to see what kind of alerts it has emitted since his last visit and quizzes him about them. Then she asks him about the numerous medications he takes. 'It's important that all our LVAD patients know this stuff on their own,' she says.

## Teen uses machine to help his heart beat

By Margaret Webb Pressler  
The Washington Post

Doctors can do a lot to repair the human heart when something goes wrong. But when the heart gets so sick it can't be fixed by typical medicines or surgery, doctors sometimes turn to something out of science fiction: an artificial heart. Such devices are not used very often, but that's what saved the life of Savoy Bradford, a 16-year-old from Suitland, Md.

Savoy got a virus last summer that made his heart so swollen and weak it could barely pump anymore. This kind of sudden heart failure is very unusual, but doctors had a plan to save his life: They put something called a left ventricular assist device, or LVAD for short, in his chest, next to his heart. Here's how it works:

Blood flows from your body into the right side of your heart, which pumps that blood to the lungs to soak up oxygen. That blood then flows back into the left side of your heart, where a chamber called the left ventricle squeezes really hard. That pushes your

blood through a huge artery, called the aorta, to the rest of your body. This constant squeezing action is what you feel as your heartbeat.

An LVAD is about the size of a lemon, with tubes on each end. In Savoy's body, one end is attached to the bottom of the heart and the other to his aorta. The powerful motor inside the LVAD forces oxygenated blood from Savoy's heart, through his aorta and to the rest of his body.

Savoy got his LVAD in August and has spent months recovering. But in January he went back to school at Forestville Military Academy, where he

is in 10th grade. After being so sick, he couldn't wait. "School means more to me now," he said.

Savoy can do many things he did before, but he has some limitations. The biggest one is that there is a cord running from his artificial heart, through a tiny opening in his side that's taped thoroughly with bandages, to a battery pack he takes with him everywhere. The batteries and their control panel weigh four pounds, as does the extra set of both that he must always have with him. It's like lugging a stack of books around all day, which Savoy doesn't enjoy.

You might be surprised to know that Savoy no longer has a pulse, even though he's very much alive. Your pulse comes from your heart pumping your blood, and Savoy's heart isn't doing that.

Doctors hope that Savoy's heart will heal itself and start beating well enough that they can take out the LVAD and let Savoy's own heart do its job. But if that doesn't happen, Savoy might need a heart transplant, in which another heart would replace his.

For now, though, Savoy is just happy to be alive, back with his friends and in school.

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EDITORIAL

# Dairy industry wasn't always against local control

A generation ago when Idaho was trying to sort out the relationship between large numbers of penned-up cows and a growing number of people, the dairy industry was just fine with giving counties the power to decide where and under what conditions confined-animal feeding operations could operate.

"We know the county commissioners; they're our neighbors," the dairymen's argument went back then. "They have the best understanding of what works and what doesn't."

Now the industry is convinced that local control is anathema to its interests.

Livestock groups that lost a recent Idaho Supreme Court decision asked lawmakers Thursday to scale back local authority over dairies with thousands of cows and tons of manure.

On Feb. 1, the Supreme Court ruled against the dairy association and the Idaho Cattle Association, deciding state water quality laws did nothing to pre-empt Gooding County from passing its own regulations. The court also upheld a lower court decision that the county's ordinance wasn't arbitrary and capricious.

On Thursday, Idaho Milk Producers lobbyist Ken McClure told the Senate Agricultural Affairs Committee that Idaho should limit counties to matters involving the location of dairies and forbid them from passing stricter air and water quality standards than those already on Idaho's books.

Local governments would be "pre-empted from imposing requirements on dairy farms or on the application of dairy nutrients for the purpose of protecting air and water quality."

McClure contends it's the state and federal government, under the Clean Water Act and the Clean Air Act, that should have final say in determining if a proposed new dairy will have harmful effects on the environment.

"At some point, you have to look at this as, when is enough enough on the regulatory front?" McClure said.

That's cynical, to put it charitably.

Local control was just fine when counties did whatever the dairy industry wanted. But when counties aren't so obliging, it's time to trump their authority.

"We're not shutting the doors" to dairies, Tom Faulkner, a Gooding County commissioner, told the Senate committee. "We're just saying we want to protect the existing resources of the county."

At issue in the court case was the county's 2007 ordinance, which includes provisions that limiting big feedlots from being within a mile of the Snake River or Malad River canyons and imposing strict, five-cow-per-acre limits.

With the measure, Faulkner and other commissioners were responding to increasing concerns among residents that the accumulation of dairies was resulting in too much manure. There were also increasing complaints about contaminated wells, odors, pests, dust and other airborne contaminants.

That's exactly the proper role for county government.

The Idaho Supreme Court settled this argument. We're confident legislators won't let the dairy industry rewrite the rules.

**Our view:**

Dairymen and cattlemen lost in court, so now they want to rewrite the rules.

**What do you think?**

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

# HANDS OFF IDAHO'S WATER

## Feds threaten state's control over its most precious resource

By Sen. Mike Crapo

Since the Clean Water Act was passed in 1972, there has been ongoing debate over the federal government's jurisdiction and regulatory authority to enforce America's clean water laws. Some argue that the Clean Water Act gives the federal government virtually limitless authority over our waters, while others, including myself, have held that there are limits to how far the federal government may go, and that the statute intended to balance rights of states and private property owners with enforcement powers of the federal government. It is incumbent on those of us who make the laws to ensure that that they are being interpreted and enforced properly, and I would like to take this opportunity to address that responsibility in the context of the Clean Water Act.

Under the Clean Water Act, the Environmental Protection Agency has taken an increasingly expansive view of the law and its powers under the Act. In *SWANCC v. U.S. Army Corps of Engineers*, and in 2006, in *Rapanos v. United States* (2001), the U.S. Supreme Court ruled that the government had in fact exceeded the intent and purpose of the legislation when it was first passed. These decisions restored the rightful balance under the Act between the federal government and the states and private landowners. Unfortunately, it did not end there.

Last June, the Senate Committee on Environment and Public Works, on which I serve, passed S. 787, the Clean Water Restoration Act, on a party line vote of 12-7. This bill would dramatically expand federal jurisdiction under the current Clean Water Act by allowing for government regulation of virtually all interstate and intrastate waters and their

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## Stripping states of their authorities under the act tramples on state and private property rights and will simply add more responsibilities to an overextended federal government.

# For Otter, more high-risk, low-yield budget cuts

By Kevin Richert  
Idaho Statesman (Boise)

Say this for Gov. Butch Otter's proposed budget cuts: They have motivated a who's who of former elected officials to jump back into the public discourse.

First, Cecil Andrus and John Evans, a pair of Democratic former governors, spearheaded a bipartisan push to rescue Idaho's Human Rights Commission. When a grassroots campaign sprang up to defend Idaho Public Television, organizers recruited one of Otter's fellow Republicans, former state schools superintendent Jerry Evans, to act as



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spokesman.

John Evans resurfaced (as an advocate) for the Developmental Disabilities Council, founded on his watch in 1978. The council's job is to help Idahoans with developmental disabilities find the public and private

services they need.

"In our efforts to economize, we must not eliminate those programs that ensure citizen involvement and create transparency in government," said Evans.

As Evans notes, the council receives most of its money from the federal government. But Otter would like to phase out state general fund support over four years; he is seeking \$73,000 for the council in 2010-11, down from this year's \$101,400.

I've said it before and I'll say it again: Otter is squandering a lot of political capital by trying to zero out small agencies, moves that do next

to nothing to fix Idaho's fiscal crisis. The amount Otter hopes to save on this council would scarcely pay for a few overpriced groundbreaking. And it's nothing compared to the \$14.3 million general fund cut Otter has recommended for public schools. But when the executive branch talks about zeroing out an agency, there's a political risk, because the advocates come to the forefront. A longtime politician, Otter has made some high-risk, low-yield recommendations.

*Kevin Richert is the  
Opinion editor of the Idaho  
Statesman.*

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### Clean Water Restoration Act

- A bill to amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to clarify the jurisdiction of the United States over waters of the United States.
- **Sponsor:** Sen. Russell Feingold, D-Wis.
  - **Co-sponsors:** Sen. Sherrod Brown, D-Ohio; Sen. Maria Cantwell, D-Wash.; Sen. Benjamin Cardin, D-Md.; Sen. Thomas Carper, D-Del.; Sen. Christopher Dodd, D-Conn.; Sen. Kirsten Gillbrand, D-N.Y.; Sen. Edward Kaufman, D-Del.; Sen. John Kerry, D-Mass.; Sen. Frank Lautenberg, D-N.J.; Sen. Herb Kohl, D-Wis.; Sen. Carl Levin, D-Mich.; Sen. Joseph Lieberman, I-Conn.; Sen. Robert Menendez, D-N.J.; Sen. Jeff Merkley, D-Ore.; Sen. John Reed, D-R.I.; Sen. Charles Schumer, D-N.Y.; Sen. Jeanne Shaheen, D-N.H.; Sen. Debbie Stabenow, D-Mich.; Rep. Sheldon Whitehouse, D-R.I.; Sen. Ron Wyden, D-Ore.; Sen. Barbara Boxer, D-Calif.; Sen. Richard Durbin, D-Ill.; Sen. Patrick Leahy, D-Vt.; Sen. Bernard Sanders, I-Vt.
  - **Status:** Introduced, April 2, 2009, referred to Senate Committee on Environment and Public Works. Approved by Committee June 18, 2009.
  - **Next step:** Vote by the full Senate. Although it has been placed on a calendar of business, the order in which legislation is considered and voted on is determined by the majority party leadership.
  - **Supporters:** Ducks Unlimited, Earthjustice, American Whitewater, League of Conservation Voters, American Rivers, Clean Water Action, Sierra Club, National Resources Defense Council, National Wildlife Federation, Southern Environmental Law Center.
  - **Opponents:** National Mining Association, National Corn Growers Association.

SOURCE: GovTrack.com

## About the Clean Water Act of 1972

### History

- Introduced by Sen. Edmund Muskie, D-Maine, on Oct. 28, 1971
- Passed the Senate on Nov. 2, 1971
- Passed the House on March 29, 1972
- Signed into law by President Richard Nixon on Oct. 18, 1972

### What it does

The Clean Water Act is the primary federal law in the United States governing water pollution. It established the goals of eliminating releases to water of high amounts of toxic substances, eliminating additional water pollution by 1985, and ensuring that surface waters would meet standards necessary for human sports and recreation by 1983.

### Where it applies

All waters with a “significant nexus” to “navigable waters” are covered under the CWA; however, the phrase “significant nexus” remains open to judicial interpretation and considerable controversy. The 1972 statute frequently uses the term “navigable waters,” but also defines the term as “waters of the United States, including the territorial seas.” Some regulations interpreting the 1972 law have included water features such as intermittent streams, playa lakes, prairie potholes, sloughs and wetlands among “waters of the United States.”

### How it works

The 1972 act introduced a permit system for regulating point sources of pollution. Point sources include:

- Industrial facilities (including manufacturing, mining, oil and gas extraction, and service industries).
- Municipal governments and other government facilities.
- Some agricultural facilities, such as animal feedlots.

Point sources may not discharge pollutants to surface waters without a permit from the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System. This system is managed by the Environmental Protection Agency in partnership with state environmental agencies. EPA has authorized 46 states to issue permits directly to the discharging facilities. In the remaining states — Idaho, Massachusetts, New Hampshire and New Mexico — and territories, the permits are issued by an EPA regional office.

Water quality standards are risk-based requirements that set site-specific allowable pollutant levels for individual water bodies. States set WQS by designating uses for the water body (e.g., recreation, water supply, aquatic life, agriculture) and applying water quality criteria to protect the designated uses. An antidegradation policy is also issued by each state to maintain and protect existing uses and high quality waters.

Water bodies that do not meet applicable water quality standards with technology-based controls alone are placed on the section 303(d) list of water bodies not meeting standards. Water bodies on the 303(d) list require development of a Total Maximum Daily Load, which is a calculation of the maximum amount of a pollutant that a water body can receive and still meet WQS. Once the TMDL assessment is completed and the maximum pollutant loading capacity defined, an implementation plan is developed that outlines the measures needed to reduce pollutant loading and bring the body of water into compliance. As of 2007, about half of the rivers, lakes and bays under EPA oversight were not safe enough for fishing and swimming.

### Major amendments

Clean Water Act of 1977; Water Quality Act of 1987

SOURCES: Environmental Protection Agency; Wikipedia

# Water

**Continued from Opinion 1**

I spoke out against the bill due to the significant expansion of the power of the federal government over Idaho (and other states’) waters. Though it passed in committee, I placed a “hold” on the bill, which indicates my willingness to filibuster this legislation if it were to ever be brought up for consideration on the floor of the Senate.

On Oct. 15, the EPA released “The Clean Water Act Enforcement Action Plan,” which claims that states are falling behind in meeting the requirements of the Clean Water Act. It proposes increased federal oversight and enforcement of the law at the state level, and many states are now concerned that EPA is laying the groundwork to revoke the authority of some states to enforce the Clean Water Act. Enforcement is obviously important, but the goal is not to simply punish communities. If states are not meeting

the bar that the federal government has set out for them, the appropriate way to address that is by providing technical and financial assistance to states to help bring them into compliance. Stripping states of their authorities under the act tramples on state and private property rights and will simply add more responsibilities to an overextended federal government.

The Clean Water Restoration Act is precisely the wrong way to go. By threatening to expand the reach of the federal government beyond its proper role, we threaten state sovereignty and private property rights, not to mention failing to understand and comply with the original intent of the Clean Water Act. I know that Idahoans are best equipped to make decisions about Idaho waters. We are close to the issues and understand the hydrology of our streams, lakes and rivers better than any bureaucrat in

Washington, D.C. As such, I stand opposed to the Clean Water Restoration Act and will closely monitor EPA’s new enforcement plan, and I will continue to fight for Idaho’s water sovereignty.

Mike Crapo, a Republican, has represented Idaho in the U.S. Senate since 1999.

## QUOTABLE

- “When we say we do not manufacture the bomb, we mean it, and we do not believe in manufacturing a bomb. If we wanted to manufacture a bomb, we would announce it. ... We told them (the West) the Iranian nation will never give in to bullying and illogical remarks.”
- President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad, claiming Iran has produced its first batch of uranium enriched to a higher level
- “I was honest with them (the singers). I was concerned going into it I would be tiptoeing around too much, but I wasn’t.”
- Ellen DeGeneres after debuting as a judge on ‘American Idol.’
- “In such a short career, Alexander McQueen’s influence was astonishing — from street style, to music culture and the world’s museums.”
- Vogue Editor-in-Chief Anna Wintour on fashion designer Alexander McQueen who was found dead Friday

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## Notice of Proposed Amendment or Changes to Idaho’s Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP)

In January 2010, the Idaho Transportation Board met to consider a planned response to a second proposed national stimulus package that may be passed by Congress and signed into law by President Obama within the next few months. Projects below have been identified that may be added to FY2010 of the FY2009—2013 STIP should Idaho receive sufficient stimulus funds for their construction.

Projects as shown below were chosen to use these potential stimulus funds because they are “shovel ready” and have the best chance to meet the requirement of “under contract within 90 days.” Projects chosen by the board meet these criteria and will also help to distribute the benefits of stimulus dollars and jobs to each major region of the state. Please note that the following projects are not in any specific order of importance and will be awarded based in their readiness to go to bid. Furthermore, depending upon the allocations Idaho receives, not all projects in this list may be funded.

You are directed to ITD’s website to view and comment on the projects the board has identified to use these potential stimulus funds at:

<http://itd.idaho.gov/planning/stip/index.htm>

Comments concerning these changes to the STIP must be received by February 28, 2010. Online comments can be submitted on the ITD website at: [http://apps.itd.idaho.gov/apps/stipcomments/STIP\\_comments.aspx](http://apps.itd.idaho.gov/apps/stipcomments/STIP_comments.aspx)


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# Bipartisan summit an informercial in disguise

The president has invited congressional Republicans to sit down and talk through health care at a big “bipartisan summit” on Feb. 25. Some think it’s a little late for such a conversation. After all, the Democrats have built their health care palace from the ground up, using only Democratic labor and Democratic input; they just can’t get it to pass inspection. So general contractor Obama invites Republicans to debate the blueprints, and just the blueprints. Oh, and he wants to debate them, not change them. Not really.

“The president doesn’t think we should start over,” White House Communications Director Dan Pfeiffer explained. Obama himself has said he’s committed to the existing bill(s) in the House and Senate. He just wants to hash out ideas with Republicans, in front of TV cameras, at a much-hyped summit because he thinks it would be good for America,



**Jonah Goldberg**

or something. The Republicans can get whatever fixtures they want in the guest bathroom. Beyond that, they should just co-sign ObamaCare and shut up.

The best you can say about the effort is that it fits into the White House’s universal answer to all of its problems: “We just need to explain to these confused Americans how we’ve been right about everything.” To that end, the White House wants to use Republicans as a skeptical prop-audience in one last infomercial for the ShamWow of ObamaCare.

The worst you can say is that it’s a cynical trap, designed to make the GOP look out of touch, ill-informed and ideological. Indeed, there’s a bipartisan consensus growing in

Washington that the whole thing is a setup. Obama is going to say “nice doggie” to Republicans right up until the moment he smashes them with a rolled-up 2,000-page health care bill.

Liberals like the idea because they want the Republicans to get brained. They believe the GOP either doesn’t have real ideas on health care, or that conservative ideas won’t go over well with voters. They hope that Obama the law professor and community organizer will expose all of this, forcing the American people to come to their senses and support legislation they’ve been hearing about nonstop for a year. Again, liberalism is never wrong, it just has a problem explaining to the mule-headed electorate it’s right about everything. Liberalism is always one more tutorial away from sunshine and lollipops for everyone.

Even so, the GOP should go. Boycotting the event, as

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some have recommended, would rightly be seen as a sign of cowardice. Although there’s no reason why the GOP has to play to the White House’s script. Republicans should be respectful and serious, but they should also designate one or two representatives to speak for them. That’s what Democrats did when they designated then-Senator Obama as their sole voice in the White House meeting on the financial crisis in September 2008. Sen. John McCain had conceived that meeting as a grand showcase for his statesmanlike leadership. That didn’t work out too well for McCain, and there’s no reason to expect that Obama’s plan is any more foolproof.

That’s the great irony in this whole stunt. Since he took office, Obama has been trying to use Republicans as one kind of foil or another. He started by castigating them as mindless drones of Rush Limbaugh. When Republican leaders opposed Obama’s hyper-partisan stimulus, the president chastised them. “You can’t just listen to Rush Limbaugh and get things done,” he told them.

Then the White House and its supporters started casting the GOP — and the burgeoning tea party movement — as a Hieronymus Bosch scene of racists and gun nuts. Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid compared opponents of ObamaCare to opponents of civil rights legislation.

House Speaker Nancy Pelosi flatly questioned the patriotism of anyone who objected to Obama’s policies. And so on.

At every turn, Obama’s agenda became less popular, his support among independents cratered, his promises to change the tone in Washington looked ever more transparent, and his magic spell over the press weakened. Gallup now has Obama in a statistical dead heat against a generic Republican opponent, and the Democratic party is in near total freefall, despite the fact it still has almost total dominion over Washington.

Now the president has another brilliant plan. Once again he has Republicans exactly where he wants them. Only someone who thinks Obama is one explanation away from total victory should think the GOP has reason to worry.

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## Looking for Mr. Pretty Good

Here comes another Valentine’s Day, and oh, how I wish I could spend it with a husband. Not an Adonis with the humor of Jon Stewart and the bank account of Bill Gates; just a good-enough guy. This might sound innocuous — a single woman wishes she were married — but apparently, it makes me a throwback to the ’50s, pathetic, desperate, needy, immature, creepy, weak, Ann Coulter meets the Devil and a few other phrases I can’t print in a family newspaper. I know, because I’ve made this confession before.


A couple of years ago, I wrote an essay for the *Atlantic* titled “Marry Him: The Case for Settling for Mr. Good Enough,” in which I said that having found myself still single at 40, with a donor-conceived toddler, I’d reached an uncomfortable realization: Had I known when I was younger what would make me happy when it came to marriage and family, I would have made very different choices in my dating life. All hyperbole aside, my main message was simple and serious: Look for the important qualities in a partner, and let go of the stuff that won’t matter five, 10 or 20 years down the line, when you’re more concerned about child care and contented companionship than you are about height or hairlines.

Some readers got tripped up by the word “settle,” which I wasn’t using literally, but to make people really think about that concept. The majority of single women who responded to a survey I sent out said that getting 80 percent of what they wanted in a mate would be “settling.” The majority of single men said finding a woman with 80 percent of what they wanted would be “a catch.” For these women, it seemed, “settling” meant not much less than “everything.”

It’s no wonder, then, that while hundreds of married folks and single men backed me up with moving personal stories, many single women — mostly those in their 20s — went wild with rage and disdain for my confession: Mr. Good Enough was just fine; in fact, I’d happily take the 80 percent, if only it was as available to me as it had been when I was 30. Not because I’m desperate now that I’m older, but because I’m wiser. I realized I’d been too picky about the trivial things and not picky enough about the important ones.

Suddenly I was “ageist,” “sexist” and “anti-feminist.” All because I wasn’t a fish who could do without a good-enough bicycle.

Is there really something



**Lori Gottlieb**

wrong with our self-esteem or our values if we crave someone to share the actual and metaphorical driving with? We’re so worried about not settling, but then we find ourselves unhappily unsettled — living in our single-person apartments, eating dinner in front of the TV and hoping to meet the right guy so we can settle down.

Ultimately, what most of us are looking for isn’t the guy who keeps us so intoxicatingly distracted that we’re tingling in anticipation of his every phone call. It’s the guy we feel completely comfortable with, the guy who “gets us,” hugs us at our parents’ funerals, laughs with us, reminds us to go to the doctor, fixes the toilet, has our backs and eventually sets his dentures on the counter next to ours. Do we need passion and physical attraction? Absolutely. But instead of chemistry of “9” and compatibility of “5,” we’d be happier with chemistry and compatibility of “7.” Good enough. Because nothing about good enough implies that you haven’t found a true love — or, in fact, a much deeper kind of love.

I’ve never believed that we should stop looking for Mr. Right — but, like all the experts I spoke to, I think we’d be happier if we changed our perception of who he is. A guy is a package deal, as is any woman. Many women throw out the guy because they don’t like a part of the deal, even if it’s a pretty appealing deal overall. Nor is it unromantic to acknowledge that if I’m lucky enough to find my Mr. Good Enough, I’ll be his Ms. Good Enough. After all, he’s chosen to spend his entire life with me, despite my many less-than-ideal qualities. Sure sounds like love. Recognizing that isn’t settling. It’s maturity. And if you figure that out at 30, you have a much better chance of finding your wonderfully imperfect mate than if it doesn’t sink in until you’re 40.

Am I lonely? Yes. Pathetic? No. Smarter about finding love? I think so. Now all I need is a date for Valentine’s Day.

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course, even if bipartisanship were to break out like spring fever, immigration isn't likely to be the first issue the two sides tackle together.

Still, if the climate were to shift — if the parties could come together on, say, jobs or the deficit, if they saw that voters approved and rewarded them for a new approach — it might not seem so far-fetched to try cooperating on immigration.

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