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Idaho ‘Violent Sexual Predator’ classification under fire

State being sued over labeling IDOC has suspended

By **Andrea Jackson**
Times-News writer

A man formerly labeled as a “Violent Sexual Predator” is suing Idaho for \$5 million, while the Idaho Department of Correction Sex Offender Classification Board remains barred from issuing this label

to anyone else.

Convicted sex offender Mark S. Wicklund, 56, of Boise filed a complaint and demand for jury trial in U.S. District Court on Feb. 4, after his designation as a Violent Sexual Predator (VSP) was vacated by a judge in 4th District Court.

Idaho has stopped issuing new VSP labels in a suspension that will continue at least until a new process is developed, according to Idaho Department of Correction Spokesman Jeff Ray, who said the department doesn’t comment on pending litigation. “A proposal is expected to be ready for consideration by the 2011 Legislature.”

About a year ago, the Idaho Supreme Court determined



Wicklund



Smith

there are significant constitutional shortcomings in the state’s VSP designation process and lifted the label from former Twin Falls resi-

dent Jason C. Smith, 34.

The Supreme Court ruling cites flaws in the state’s law for VSP designation by the board — specifically a lack of due process. “In our view, there are significant constitutional shortcomings in the statutory procedure as a result of the lack of procedural due process afforded (to) an offender,” the decision reads.

Wicklund seeks millions of dollars, claiming he suffered

as a result of being unconstitutionally designated as a VSP, according to his complaint. He is registered as a sex offender in Idaho for 2001 convictions for sexual battery of a minor out of Ada County and for attempted communication with a minor for immoral purposes out of King County, Wash.

Idaho has online registries; one for VSPs with 52 listings

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Photos by DREW GODLESKI/For the Times-News

Clover Smith leads an Over 60 and Getting Fit class Friday morning at the Jerome Recreation Center. A recent study by the University of Wisconsin’s Population Health Institute ranks America’s counties by various health-related statistics. Lincoln County ranked last in Idaho’s list, while other Magic Valley counties were low or somewhere in the middle.

Idaho counties ranked by health statistics

By **Damon Hunzeker**
Times-News writer

When Demi Moore lives in your county, it’s probably a lot easier to look healthy.

Blaine is the third healthiest county in Idaho — Latah is the first — according to a recent study. But adjacent Lincoln County is ranked number 42.

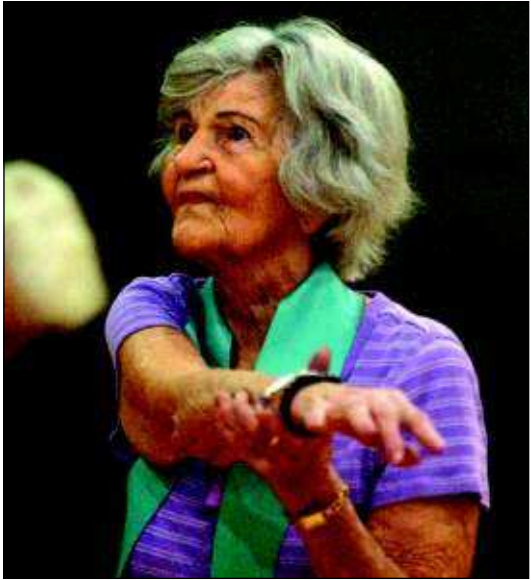
The national study, released Wednesday by the University of Wisconsin’s Population Health Institute and funded by the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, ranks America’s counties by various health-related statistics. Some of them include mortality, smoking, obesity, fatal crashes, chlamydia rates, insurance, pollution, access to medical care and access to liquor stores.

Idaho comprises 44 counties, but Clark and Camas counties weren’t included in the report because of insufficient data.

Minidoka, Jerome and Gooding counties ranked low — 32, 35, and 36, respectively. Other Magic Valley counties were somewhere in the middle — Cassia at 17, Twin Falls at 21.

While Lincoln came in dead last, the data is somewhat misleading. Most of the information was gathered at least five years

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Oralee Peterson, 82, participates in the Over 60 and Getting Fit class Friday morning.

Governor’s mansion gift from Simplot keeps taking

By **John Miller**
Associated Press writer

BOISE — It’s the gift that keeps on taking.

The water-guzzling, electricity-devouring hill-top mansion donated by french fry mogul J.R. Simplot in 2004 to be used as Idaho’s governor’s mansion remains vacant but will still cost the state about \$158,000 in the 12 months through June.

On Wednesday, lawmakers offered alarming new

tidings about the home shunned by Gov. C.L. “Butch” Otter because he prefers his country ranch: A three-decade-old taxpayer-backed fund for its upkeep is down to just \$1 million from a high of \$1.5 million three years ago — and it’s disappearing fast.

“We can only maintain the property and the home for the next five years before that fund will be depleted,” Senate President Pro Tem Bob Geddes, chairman of the five-member

Governor’s Housing

Committee, warned. Possible sale of the 7,400-square-foot home in north Boise faces many hurdles, among them the J.R. Simplot Co.’s ownership of more than 30 acres surrounding the house and its winding driveway.

The committee now plans to go hat-in-hand to neighbors down the hill, to see if the state might be able use their driveways to provide better access for a prospective new owner.

“They might be willing to let us convert that,” said Rep. Max Black, R-Boise.

There’s also the matters of irrigation, electricity and groundskeeping. J.R. Simplot Co. splits the cost, but Idaho’s share of electricity bills skyrocketed to \$28,000 through Jan. 31.

The pumps, which break down regularly from sending water uphill 20 hours a day in the summer, cost \$38,000 this year to replace.

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Obama must compromise on health care, Idaho delegation says

By **David Cooper and Eric Larsen**
Times-News writers

Idaho’s congressional members hope President Obama lends a generous ear to their Republican suggestions this week as Washington prepares for a crucial health care summit.

Their key advice: Don’t prescribe the same Democratic bill if it lacks a healthy consensus.

“Maybe it hasn’t been written yet but the ideas that are potential for compromise, that could be really beneficial, are still there,” said Sen. Mike Crapo, R-Idaho. “If the president comes in and continues to insist the bill we debated in the Senate, or the bill that was passed in the House, be the template, then we will continue to have serious disagreements.”

Sens. Crapo and Jim Risch, and Rep. Mike Simpson, all Republicans, all

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Obama health reform plan expected to be unveiled today.

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addressed the health care debate on Friday in separate meetings with the Times-News editorial board.

Crapo insists that Americans are ready for health care reform, especially if Congress can control skyrocketing costs while encouraging “robust competition in health insurance.” Ideas that should move forward, he said, include the sale of insurance plans across state lines, policies that pay for medical outcomes instead of procedures, and identifying cost drivers such as tobacco and obesity.

Risch brought with him the one-foot-thick stack of

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WATCH interviews with Rep. Mike Simpson and Sen. Mike Crapo.

Across border, Baptists couldn’t help their peers

By **Nate Poppino**
Times-News writer

Three weeks ago, they were in a Haitian jail.

Now, the pastor of Twin Falls’ Eastside Baptist Church and his son are on their way home.

Pastor Paul Thompson and son Silas on Sunday started their “slow journey home” from Omaha, Neb., as Thompson put it in a Facebook post. The two are expected with the rest of their family sometime near the end of this week, Eastside Associate Pastor John Martinez said.

It’s what may be the last stage of this story for the Magic Valley residents swept up in accusations of child

kidnapping after they responded to calls to aid orphans following Haiti’s horrible earthquake. Church member Steve McMullin flew into the Twin Falls airport on Saturday. And four local residents who weren’t arrested have been home for nearly three weeks.

The plan had been to gather up orphaned children and take them across the border to an orphanage in the Dominican Republic. Eastside members Matt and Lora Crider and John Requa were joined in Haiti’s neighboring country by Nancy Rodriguez — wife of Paul Rodriguez, director of missions for the Magic Valley

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MORNING BRIEFING

Pat's Picks

Three things to do today

Pat Marcantonio



- Donate blood at the American Red Cross Community Blood Drive at the Church of the Ascension, 371 Eastland Drive, Twin Falls. It runs from 1 to 7 p.m. today, noon to 6 p.m. Tuesday and 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Wednesday. Appointments: Sharla, 734-4566.
- And there's lots of hoops action at the Boys District IV Basketball tournaments. Check the *Times-News* for the schedule and

cheer on your favorite team.

- Parents can sign their kids up for Twin Falls Parks and Recreation youth soccer through Friday at the recreation office, 136 Maxwell Ave. The program also is looking for volunteer coaches. Information: 736-2265.

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

Predator

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throughout Idaho, and a broader registry for convicted sex offenders — 120 offenders for example, live in Twin Falls.

“The Smith decision did not nullify the VSP designation, so anyone who was previously designated as a VSP is still considered as such,” said Kathy Baird, management assistant for the Sexual Offender Classification Board.

Wicklund’s Eagle-based lawyer, Jacob Deaton, cites Smith in Wicklund’s multi-million federal suit against the state.

“Based on the decision in Smith, Mr. Wicklund moved for summary judgment on his petition for judicial review,” the complaint reads. “Mr. Wicklund now seeks to recover damages, in the amount of \$5,000,000, that he suffered by the unconstitutional designation.”

The Idaho Sex Offender Registry Web site provides public access to information about convicted sexual offenders to help parents, police and the community protect children.

The online registries show offenders’ pictures and addresses, along with information about their convictions.

For VSPs, these scarlet letters are indelible, according to Smith’s Supreme Court decision, which shows that Idaho’s VSPs must register their photos and addresses every 90 days for the rest of their lives. After 10 years of registering, sex offenders, with the exception of VSPs,

can petition for relief from the requirements.

Even though the state is not designating any new VSPs, offenders already holding the label must still register.

And VSP information is still being published through law enforcement.

“Every time a VSP moves or re-registers with the sheriff’s office, his picture and address is published in the newspaper,” said Baird.

Three public-service announcements provided by the Twin Falls County Sheriff’s Office to the *Times-News* advertising department were published Thursday. The ads say the men are each classified by the Idaho Sex Offender Classification Board as a “high risk offender” without mentioning the VSP labels they also have.

VSP designations are intended to identify high-risk offenders, according to state rules. “A sexual offender shall be designated as a VSP if his risk of re-offending sexually or threat of violence is of sufficient concern to warrant the designation for the safety of the community.”

Smith’s history of violent, deviant sexual behavior probably warranted his past VSP label, according to the Supreme Court decision that allowed him to free himself from it. Smith now lives in Indiana where the registry in that state says he is a sex offender who must undergo lifetime notification for a 1997 statutory rape conviction in Twin Falls. There is no mention of any past VSP label from Idaho.

Compromise

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papers that makes up the health care reform bill, saying that Republicans are willing to work with Democrats on portions of it.

“But if Obama says ‘We’re going to start with this bill as a starting point,’ that bill’s a nonstarter,” the Republican senator said.

Risch maintained nobody knows the exact consequences of passing the proposal, and said there’s a disconnect between Democrats and the general public concerning its intent.

“Between 60 percent and 70 percent of Democrats really believe health-care reform means universal coverage,” he said. “To the average person, it means get the costs down. I’m not saying it isn’t a laudable goal, but it’s a complex, expensive goal.”

Simpson said the White House appears to be showing more flexibility and collaboration on the key issue, and

may put forward its own plan rather than leave the deal-making to congressional Democrats.

“I’m hopeful they will come back somewhere toward the middle and say, ‘What can we agree on?’”

He said Obama’s chief of staff Rahm Emanuel, a former House colleague, asked Simpson on a recent flight to Salt Lake City whether he’d review a plan that dealt with points important to Republicans and “covered everyone up to age 26.” Simpson said he told Emanuel he’d give it a look.

Crapo and Simpson agreed that one option may be to tackle one or two issues related to health care before making a comprehensive overhaul.

“We do know answers to a lot of the pieces to the puzzle,” Crapo said. “We ought to move rather rapidly in the areas we can build consensus.”

TODAY’S HAPPENINGS

CLUBS AND ORGANIZATIONS

MOMS Club, for stay-at-home moms, business meeting, 9:45 to 11 a.m., call for location, 539-6470 or momsclubtf@msn.com.
Local Chapter 1959 Narfe-National Active and Retired Federal Employees Association, meeting for retired and current Federal employees, 11:30 a.m., Loong Hing restaurant, 1719 Kimberly Road, Twin Falls, no cost, 732-5597.
CSI Board of Trustees meeting, 5:30 p.m., Student Union building 248, CSI campus, 315 Falls Ave., Twin Falls, 732-6282.
Gooding Lion’s Club meeting, for men and women interested in identifying and meeting needs in the community, 6 p.m., Lincoln Inn, Gooding, new members welcome, 934-4141.
Canyon Ridge High School Booster Club, meeting, 6:30 p.m., at the school, Room 301, all parties interested in supporting the Riverhawks are invited, 420-1649.
Civil Air Patrol, 7 p.m., Burley airport, 878-8880.
Syringa Lions Club, 7:30 p.m., United Methodist Church meeting room, 605 H St., Rupert, 436-9862.

GOVERNMENT

Lincoln County commissioners, 8:30 a.m., courthouse, 111 W. B St., Shoshone, 886-2173.
Twin Falls County commissioners, 8:30 a.m., courthouse, 425 Shoshone St. N., 736-4068.
Cassia County commissioners, 9 a.m., courthouse, 1459 Overland Ave., Burley, 878-7302.
Gooding County commissioners, 9 a.m., courthouse, 624 Main St., 934-4841.
Jerome County commissioners, 9 a.m., courthouse, 300 N. Lincoln St., 644-2700.
Minidoka County commissioners, 9 a.m., courthouse, 715 G St., Rupert, 436-7111.
Blaine County commissioners, 10 a.m., old

courthouse, 206 First Ave. S., Suite 200, Hailey, 788-5505 or www.blainecounty.org.
Twin Falls City Council, 5 p.m., council chambers, 305 Third Ave. E., 735-7274.
Buhl City Council, 6 p.m., council chambers, 203 Broadway Ave. N., 543-5650.

HEALTH AND WELLNESS

SilverSneakers Fitness Program at Curves of Twin Falls, complete cardio and circuit training with resistance, state-of-the-art equipment and “Curves Smart” personalized coaching, 5:30 a.m. to 7 p.m., Twin Falls Curves, 690 Blue Lakes Blvd. N., no cost for Humana Gold-insured or AARP provided by Secure Horizons, 734-7300.
College of Southern Idaho’s Over 60 and Getting Fit programs, a guided walking workout with stretching and gentle resistance training, 9 to 10 a.m. at several Magic Valley locations: Blaine County Campus gym, CSI gym, Filer Elementary, Gooding ISDB gym, Hagerman High School, Jerome Rec Center, Rupert Civic gym and Shoshone High School (old gym); 10:30 to 11:30 a.m., Buhl old Middle School gym and 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., CSI Mini-Cassia Center gym, no cost, 732-6475.
Fit and Fall Proof Exercise Class, 10:30 a.m., Twin Falls Senior Citizens Center, 530 Shoshone St., no cost, 737-5988.
SilverSneakers Fitness Program, 10:30 to 11:30 a.m., Jerome Senior Center, 520 N. Lincoln St., no cost for Humana Gold Choice members, \$1 for non-Humana members, 324-5642.
SilverSneakers Fitness Program, innovative exercise program designed specifically for Medicare beneficiaries’ unique health and physical needs, 10:30 a.m., Twin Falls YMCA, 1751 Elizabeth Blvd., no cost for Humana-insured or YMCA members and \$5 per class for uninsured, 733-4384.

Recovery for Life: “Find Help, Discover Hope, Experience Healing,” includes divorce care, grief share, financial peace, co-dependency for women, 12-Step HOPE (substance abuse recovery), co-dependency for men and women and parenting skills, 6 to 6:45 p.m. meal served and 7 p.m. meetings, Twin Falls Reformed Church, 1631 Grandview Drive N., (corner of Grandview Drive North and Pole Line Road), free childcare and shuttle available, 733-6128.

LIBRARY

Rhyme Time, finger plays and singalongs for toddlers and preschoolers (and their parents), 10:30 a.m., Twin Falls Public Library, 201 Fourth Ave. E., no cost, open to the public, 733-2964 ext. 110.
“100 ways to Love your Library,” family activity to celebrate Gooding Public Library 100th birthday, 6:30 to 7:30 p.m., Gooding Public Library, at the library, 308 Fifth Ave. W., Gooding, 934-4089.
Scholastic Book Fair, during library hours, Rupert DeMary Memorial Library, 471 Seventh St., 436-3874.

SPORTS

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

TODAY’S REMINDER

Meeting Memo for Tuesday: Blue Lakes Rotary Club meeting and breakfast, features speakers from the community, 7 to 8 a.m., Red Lion Hotel, 1357 Blue Lakes Blvd., Twin Falls, visitors welcome, marl-barn@busyb.myrf.net, 324-4808 or www.bluelakesrotary.com.

Health

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ago, and the sheer volume and variety of factors that contributed to the ranking system make it difficult to attribute a direct cause.

For example, Blaine County has a hospital to which Lincoln residents have access, so the absence of a health-care facility in a given county doesn’t mean its citizens are resorting to medieval medicine.

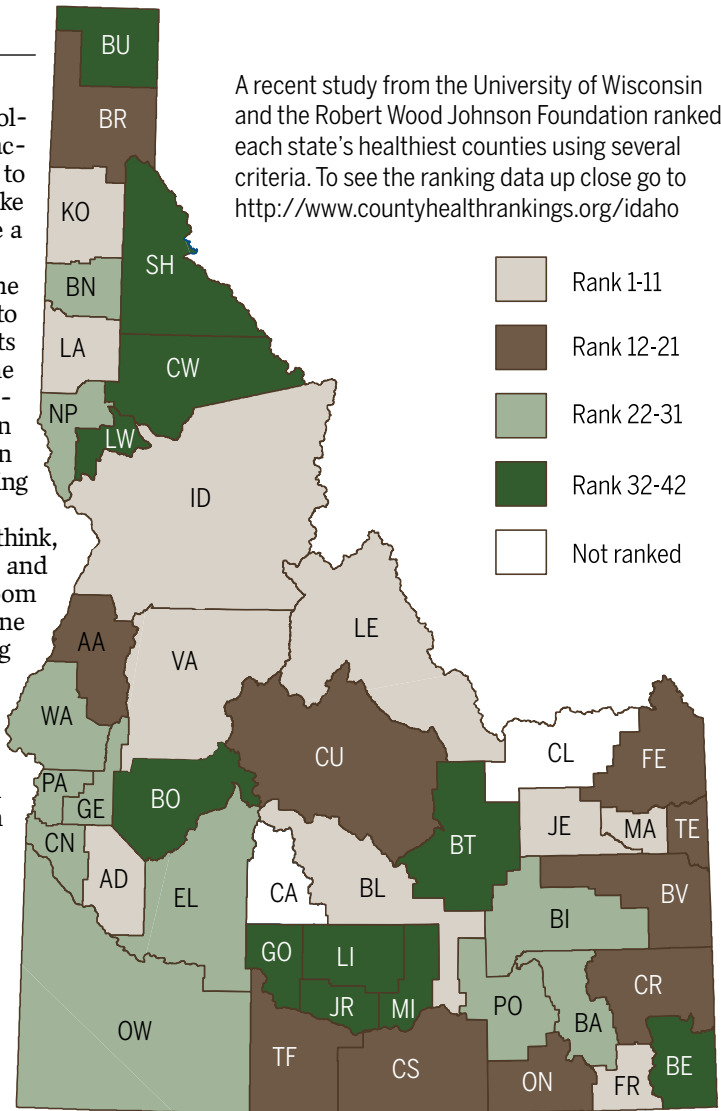
“Lincoln County I think, is becoming more and more often a bedroom community to Blaine County ... I’m guessing they get medical care in the Wood River Valley,” said Amy Lierman, spokeswoman for the South Central Public Health District.

Furthermore, because of the years-old data, conditions have changed.

“Gooding was ranked a little lower in health-care access, and they’ve just built a state-of-the-art hospital,” Lierman said. “All of the changes in the past few years have been positive for communities ... A bottom-ranking county doesn’t mean it’s an unhealthy county, by any means.”

The report explains that numerous factors contribute to the health of a community that aren’t directly linked

A recent study from the University of Wisconsin and the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation ranked each state’s healthiest counties using several criteria. To see the ranking data up close go to <http://www.countyhealthrankings.org/idaho>



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to what people eat or how much they exercise — education, for example.

“There are all kinds of socio-economic factors.

There’s a lot more to it than public health,” Lierman said.

The study shows dramatic differences in bordering counties.

Only 13 percent of Lincoln County residents have college degrees, compared to Blaine County’s 43 percent. Every Magic Valley county has fewer than 20 percent of its residents with college degrees.

But Lincoln is ranked number seven in its physical environment — a category that includes access to healthy food, pollution, and “liquor-store density.”

“It’s kind of a strange one,” Lierman said. “When we first saw that one, it kind of surprised us — but in the big picture, it kind of makes sense that it would be part of the overall ranking.”

Blaine and Lincoln counties both have a 21-percent rate of binge drinking, figures taken from an annual U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention survey. All other counties in the area ranked closer to 12 percent.

Regardless of each county’s individual ranking, Lierman said the district views the study as a positive development.

“We look at it as where we were and where we are now,” she said. “We’ve made some great strides forward, and southern Idaho should be proud.”

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Baptist Association.

Then, just shortly after they arrived, came the arrests. Both Requa and Matt Crider said in interviews Sunday that, with little they could do from their end, they packed up and left for the U.S. a couple of days later, where they watched

the rest of the bizarre case unfold.

Like their peers, they too had felt the call to help the children of Haiti. Requa was in Florida visiting family when the earthquake happened, he said, and told his wife right away that he wanted to help. But he was concerned about his stamina — after all, he’ll be 80 years old in March.

Late one night, awaking in bed, he resolved to go. “It’s just like the Lord said, ‘John, you need to go,’” Requa said.

Matt Crider, who with his wife adopted a girl from China three years ago, was also moved by the plight of Haiti’s children. So when his church put out a call for volunteers, he and Lora took a couple of days to get ready and then went to help.

“There was a need, and rather than sitting on our couches we decided we’d do what we could to help,” Matt Crider said.

Requa arrived in the Dominican Republic on Jan.

28, with the Criders following the next day. They busied themselves working with another group from Texas to get the hotel that would serve as a temporary building ready for the children.

That Friday evening — the same day Matt and Lora Crider arrived — the group in Haiti called to say they had to get another document and wouldn’t be across with the children that night.

The next day, during a trip to Santo Domingo, the Criders got the call from Paul Thompson that the Baptists in Haiti had been arrested. Matt and Lora immediately went to the U.S. Embassy for help.

“From there it was just a blur of phone calls, trying to find somebody to get some help to them,” Matt Crider said.

There was little the Americans could do. The Texans left on Jan. 31, Requa said, and the Twin Falls delegation followed suit the next day. Though they’d had

past missionary experience — Crider even helped out at orphanages in Vietnam — none of them had been involved in the planning for this trip. Neither Crider nor Requa ever met Jorge Puello, the former legal adviser to the jailed 10 who is wanted in El Salvador on human smuggling accusations.

“We had no idea of how it was set up or anything. We just went to help,” Requa said. The kidnapping charges were ridiculous, he added — if the group had planned to steal children, would they have driven a bus of them up to a border checkpoint?

Today, they’re relieved the Thompsons, McMullin and the others have been released. But they’re still concerned for the two people who had to stay behind, and they worry about the effect the whole saga has had on Haitians and the children they sought to care for.

“They’re just children that need our love,” Crider said. “They need loved.”

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Falls Avenue work, parking fees on city council agenda

By Nate Poppino
Times-News writer

Whether they're roads or parking lots, the places you take your car make up a good part of the Twin Falls City Council's agenda for its 5 p.m. meeting today, set for 305 Third Ave. E.

City staff has recommended the city hire J-U-B Engineers to provide surveying and staking work for the pending reconstruction of Falls Avenue West from Washington Street to Grandview Drive.

J-U-B, which has an office in Twin Falls, has already been working on the project, according to a city staff report. The firm was recruited starting in September 2008 to design the reconstruction and has since finished that part of the work. The council will

now weigh approving a \$65,000 contract to perform construction surveying and staking.

The new work would benefit the contractor who actually rebuilds the road. That aspect of the project is currently out for bid.

Parking fees downtown could rise in the near future, but that decision won't be made tonight. Rather, the council will decide whether to set a public-hearing date for comment on the proposed increase.

The rates for 64 meters on Main Avenue between Hansen and Gooding streets would double from 25 to 50 cents per hour under the request, which came from the Historic Downtown Business Improvement District. The change requires a public hearing before it can be made; not so

for several other BID suggestions, including changing the hours and days that meters are enforced, spending about \$5,000 on replacement meters, changing an ordinance banning employers and employees from parking on Main Avenue and adjusting how often warnings are given out. The increased fees would make up for dropping Saturday as a day meters are enforced.

So far this fiscal year, meter revenues are off nearly 20 percent compared with last year, staff noted in the agenda documents, turning a predicted \$2,000 annual net gain into just \$1,600.

At 6 p.m., unless the rest of the agenda runs over, the council will hold a public hearing on trading a city-owned unpaved parking lot along Second Avenue South with land owned by the

Twin Falls Urban Renewal Agency on the south side of Maxwell Avenue, adjacent to the city Parks and Recreation building. The trade would make a URA-owned building next to the parking lot more marketable and give the Parks building more room for equipment storage.

Early in the meeting, a representative of CH2M Hill OMI — the company that runs the city wastewater plant — will present the city's rebate for expenses in the 2008-09 fiscal year. The city will receive \$5,434; direct operating costs were more than \$50,000 under budget, but repair costs and electrical rates cut that figure down.

Also, the council will be asked to rename about 750 feet of View Drive as Julie Lane, ending a minor inconsistency on maps.

Man leads police on county chase

By Damon Hunzeker
Times-News writer

A Twin Falls man, Joshua Grimes, has been charged with eluding police after an unusual Saturday morning chase.

At 9:30 a.m., Grimes, 36, allegedly led police on a half-hour pursuit while driving a brown van in excess of 90 to 100 miles per hour on the east side of Twin Falls County — reportedly driving through Kimberly Road and Falls Avenue without slowing down and becoming airborne on at least one occasion.

Capt. Tim Miller with the Twin Falls County Sheriff's Office said the chase began on Falls Avenue East and "ended up all over that side of the county toward the foothills, back to Kimberly, Hansen and then Addison Avenue."

After officers placed spike strips on the road near D & B Supply on Addison, the van stopped but not because of the spikes.

"He saw a bunch of police cars and pulled over," Miller said.

Surprisingly, nobody was

injured, but Miller said he received "a lot of calls and complaints."

Grimes was charged with felony eluding, driving without privileges and driving under the influence. His blood-alcohol content, according to Miller, was .20 — over two times the legal limit of .08 percent.

The identity of a male passenger wasn't released, but he's being held on an unspecified warrant out of Jerome County.

Because of the unusual time of day for a drunken-driving police chase, Miller said Grimes was asked if he had been on his way back from Jackpot.

"He said, 'No, we just woke up at 5 in the morning and started drinking,'" Miller said.

A person named Joshua Grimes who was born in 1973, according to court records, has been convicted of three additional DUIs in Twin Falls County since 2005.

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T.F. Co. seeks input on park, paper fees

By Nate Poppino
Times-News writer

Twin Falls County commissioners want your thoughts on the merits of raising several fees, largely for copying costs and camping at two county parks.

The county has proposed charging more for making copies of Planning and Zoning documents, for building permits for patios and for camping in tents and recreational vehicles at

Murtaugh Lake and Rock Creek parks. A public hearing is set for 10 a.m. Friday in the third-floor conference room of the county courthouse, 425 Shoshone St. N., Twin Falls.

Increases range from just 5 cents more for small black-and-white copies to \$7 more to park an RV at Rock Creek — nearly doubling the latter's current price. RV users at both parks would now pay \$15 per night, while tent campers would pay \$5. That brings

camping fees up to par with similar sites at state parks, County Commissioner Terry Kramer said.

Planning and Zoning officials would charge roughly 15 times more for copies of 18-inch by 27-inch, and 30-inch by 42-inch documents, raising their fees to \$7 and \$14 each, respectively. That's because the current fees, established more than a decade ago, didn't properly account for the costs of using larger copiers and related admin-

istrative work, P&Z Administrator Rick Dunn said.

For the first time, the county would also charge for compact discs with recordings of P&Z meetings, items that are normally only ordered when someone appeals a decision, Dunn said.

"Rather than having everybody in the county pay that cost, the people who are actually getting the service should pay that cost," Dunn said.

Mansion

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When they failed while Simplot still owned the house, his groundskeeper switched from well to Boise water. Simplot saw the bill, then he delivered a terse order: "Let the grass die."

In weighing the state's next step, Idaho found seven positive aspects of the house, including its stunning view of the Boise valley and proximity to downtown. But state managers nearly ran out of room listing disadvantages: Poor access; \$200,000 in annual costs; liability issues associated with sledders who flock to the steep slopes beneath the house, and the fact that the state doesn't foresee governors living there any time soon.

Although Idaho owns Boise Foothills property given by the federal government for a new governor's residence, Geddes said that's hardly a perfect site, either: Deep ravines block suitable building ground.

"It's just hard to turn down a gift — and it seems like all of those gifts were given for a reason, and that was aspects of the properties themselves," he said.

Sen. Les Bock, another housing panel member from Boise, suggested erecting a drawbridge.

Before he died in 2008 at 99, J.R. Simplot was a fierce businessman who began amassing his \$3.2 billion fortune by shooting wild horses during the winter of 1924 and using their meat to fatten up hogs for sale come spring.

He didn't become one of America's 100 richest men without a shrewd eye for a good deal — and it appears he got a pretty good one in 2004 with his gift to the state.

Should Idaho decide to sell, according to the pact,

Simplot's family gets up to 60 days to match any offer. And if the offer is \$2.1 million — its assessment in 2005 — or less, the family could take back the place without paying a dime even though the state has paid for five years of upkeep and used \$310,000 from private donations for renovations and furniture.

In 2006, Simplot told then-Gov. Dirk Kempthorne he'd trade his remaining property below the home,

including a riding arena, for state land elsewhere to benefit his company's business interests. That deal fell through and David Cuoio, a company spokesman, said J.R.'s wish for the place to be used as a governor's mansion remains the best alternative.

Regardless of what happens, those following this saga agree something should be done about the house's thirsty bluegrass steppe that Simplot planted

in defiance of southern Idaho's parched summers and bunchgrass-and-sage landscape.

Peggy Faith, a Boise xeriscaping business owner, offered advice that sounded a lot like J.R. Simplot himself: Let the grass die. She'd then restore it with native vegetation.

"After three years, you wouldn't have to water anymore," Faith said. "You wouldn't be pouring money downhill."

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Much at stake as grouse endangered finding nears

By Mead Gruver
Associated Press writer

CHEYENNE, Wyo. — A lot of Westerners are watching whether the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service is about to pursue Endangered Species Act protection for the greater sage grouse.

A finding is expected by week's end and the oil and gas, livestock and wind energy industries — to name the bigger interests concerned — all have an enormous stake in whatever the agency decides.

"It ranks right up there with the spotted owl and polar bear," said Pat Deibert, a Fish and Wildlife biologist in Cheyenne who's been closely involved in the listing decision.

Especially in Wyoming, officials don't mince words about the potential effect. Wyoming is believed to be home to at least half of North America's sage grouse. Vast expanses of Wyoming are sage grouse habitat, including the same areas of gas development that supply much of the nation's heat and drive the state's economy.

An endangered listing would be "absolutely devastating" by requiring sage grouse to be considered ahead of virtually any development in most of the state, said Ryan Lance, a deputy chief of staff to Gov. Dave Freudenthal.

"This would throw the whole state economy up in the air," Lance said.

A brown, chicken-sized bird with pointed tail feathers — the males flare their tail feathers like peacocks and puff out yellowish air sacs during mating rituals — sage grouse can be found in 11 states and southern Canada. Besides Wyoming, they inhabit large portions of Nevada, Montana, Oregon and Idaho, and smaller areas



AP photo

Male sage grouse fight for the attention of female sage grouse on a mating ground, southwest of Rawlins, Wyo. Federal wildlife officials are readying to make a recommendation about pursuing endangered species status for sage grouse, a chicken-sized bird that lives in 11 states.

in Colorado, Utah, California, Washington and the Dakotas.

Loss of the birds' sagebrush habitat is their biggest problem by far, said Deibert, who indicated she knows what the finding will be but won't say ahead of a formal announcement.

In Wyoming, habitat has been lost to gas wells and related pipelines and roads. In northern Nevada, the problem is cheatgrass, an invasive species that causes frequent wildfires to burn up sagebrush and prevent it from growing back.

West Nile virus also has taken a heavy toll on sage grouse. The birds have little immunity to the disease and in northeast Wyoming, coal-bed methane development has pumped millions of gallons of groundwater to the surface, creating breeding grounds for mosquitoes that transmit West Nile, Deibert said.

And the list of problems for sage grouse continues. Unnatural noise frightens

them. Barbed-wire fences can be a deadly collision threat. Also, sage grouse don't like to linger near structures such as power lines wind turbines, fearing that predatory birds can perch on those high places.

"They just do not like us. That's it," Deibert said.

Fish and Wildlife faces a Friday deadline to announce whether to pursue listing sage grouse as threatened, endangered, not threatened or endangered, or endangered but precluded by higher priorities from listing.

"It's at risk of extirpation under current trends," said Jon Marvel, executive director of the Hailey, Idaho-based Western Watersheds Project.

Western Watersheds sued in 2006 over a decision by Fish and Wildlife under the Bush administration not to list sage grouse. U.S. District Judge B. Lynn Winmill in Boise, Idaho, ruled in 2007 that political pressure tainted the decision.

Winmill has given Fish and Wildlife until Friday to decide what to do about sage grouse. Marvel wasn't optimistic — from his perspective — that sage grouse will be listed.

"I fear political instruction from above to block the listing," he said.

The oil and gas industry has been fearing the opposite. For years it has been working with state and local agencies and funding studies to determine how to protect the birds and prevent listing, said Kathleen Sgamma, director of government affairs for the Independent Petroleum Association of Mountain States.

"We're hoping the Fish and Wildlife Service will recognize all the local efforts of communities, ranchers, industry to protect sage grouse," she said.

Grazing by far is the most common use of the West's public lands and Marvel said that makes ranching the biggest threat to sage grouse.

Fed-bashing Idaho lawmakers weigh state vs. local control

By John Miller
Associated Press writer

BOISE, — Bashing Washington, D.C., is a beloved Idaho Capitol pastime, as majority Republicans repeat phrases like "states' rights" and "local control" like an incantation.

The Legislature has pending measures that beat up on the Beltway on issues ranging from firearms rights, wolves and the deficit.

Some GOP lawmakers want to sue Congress, should it pass health care reform requiring Idaho residents to buy insurance.

"We don't want federal concepts intruding on the rights and liberties of the state of Idaho," said Rep. Raul Labrador, R-Eagle.

Still, closer scrutiny of the 2010 Legislature finds Idaho lawmakers in a continuing debate over the shifting line between "big government" and "good government," something that grows murkier as issues shift away from the nation's capital and closer to home.

For instance, GOP legislators from Canyon County on Friday introduced a measure aimed at gutting a 2008 state air-quality law requiring their region to begin vehicle emissions testing. Gov. C.L. "Butch" Otter, famous for his libertarian leanings, signed it two years ago, but many in southwestern Idaho contend it's government intrusion.

Lawmakers are also being asked to choose sides in a fight pitting big Idaho dairies against local governments over environmental rules, after Gooding County won a state Supreme Court decision this month. The \$2 bil-

lion dairy industry wants the state to intervene and clip counties' regulatory wings.

And in another spat, Labrador and House Majority Leader Mike Moyle, R-Star, aim for Idaho to undercut Boise leaders' power to assess downtown property owners for a share of a proposed \$60 million streetcar, something state law now allows city leaders to do without a vote of those required to pay.

"What could be more local than a vote of the people?" Labrador said.

Still, when municipal officials from across Idaho showed up at the Capitol last week to argue his bill was drafted so broadly it would make their own projects like sewer systems tougher to build, GOP lawmakers suddenly faced some of the same criticism they like to pile on the feds.

"The government that governs best governs closest to the people," said John Reuter, a Sandpoint city councilman.

Senate Minority Leader Kate Kelly, D-Boise, says this fight between local and state control has become a punchline to a Statehouse joke.

"The best government is the government that's closest to the people, except when it isn't," Kelly said.

Other states face similar challenges.

This month, South Dakota lawmakers debated forbidding schools from suing the state, before rejecting the measure because it would have taken too much power from locals. And Wisconsin lawmakers last year fought over state standards for wind farms, after developers complained local rules were killing business.

AROUND THE STATE

Ketchum raising money to build town square

KETCHUM — More than half the money needed to start construction on a town square in this central Idaho resort town has been raised in two weeks, said officials with an urban renewal company.

Ketchum Community Development Corp. and the city of Ketchum own the third of an acre for the town square. Marybeth Flower, the fundraising chairwoman for the company's design team, said \$188,050 has been raised toward the goal of \$355,800 needed to start construction in May.

The largest individual donation is \$100,000, and Flower said eight other people have promised to contribute, though it's unclear how much.

The town square would include a raised platform for performances, a fountain, fire pit, solar-powered lighting, trees, tables and benches. Currently, most of the space is used as a parking lot of 17 spaces. The plan is to tear up the pavement, with most of the square ending up as open space.

"The plan is the canvas, the features are the frame," said Dale Bates, design team leader. "And it's up to the community to paint the picture."

Bates said at a city council meeting last week that he would like the city to provide some of the money for the town square. Mayor Randy Hall urged the council to find a way to give at least \$100,000 for the project.

"I think this project is absolutely doable," Hall said, according to the Idaho Mountain Express.

No action was taken on offering money, but the council gave approval to the design team to search for an engineer to prepare con-

struction drawings. The design team said it would bring its suggested engineer to the council on March 1.

The Planning and Zoning Commission is scheduled to meet Thursday to consider approving the town square plan.

Federal officials set Idaho mining permit meeting

GRANGEVILLE — Environmental Protection Agency officials will hold a meeting today in Grangeville to discuss a proposed general permit covering small-scale placer mining in Idaho.

The proposal would require miners to obtain a general water discharge permit to use small suction dredges to mine for gold in the state's stream and rivers.

The permit would cover suction dredges with intake nozzles 5 inches or less in diameter and using motors rated at 15 horsepower or less.

Small-scale or recreational gold miners would be covered by the permit. They would be required to file a notice of intent and agree to follow standards and guidelines of the general permit.

The workshop meeting is from 4 to 7 p.m. at the Nez Perce National Forest Supervisor's Office.

Company to assemble wind turbines in Pocatello

POCATELLO — A newly-formed company in eastern Idaho plans to start assembling wind turbines in Pocatello.

River's Edge Energy, Inc., plans to assemble and test the turbines at a facility at the Pocatello airport.

President Terri Harris says the company has contracted with All Bright International to sell and install wind turbines in all 50 states.

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Testing curbs some genetic diseases

By Marilynn Marchione
Associated Press writer

Some of mankind's most devastating inherited diseases appear to be declining, and a few have nearly disappeared, because more people are using genetic testing to decide whether to have children.

Births of babies with cystic fibrosis, Tay-Sachs and other less familiar disorders seem to have dropped since testing came into wider use, The Associated Press found from interviews with numerous geneticists and other experts and a review of the limited research available.

Many of these diseases are little known and few statistics are kept. But their effects — ranging from blood disorders to muscle decline — can be disabling and often fatal during childhood.

Now, more women are being tested as part of routine prenatal care, and many end pregnancies when diseases are found. One study in California found that prenatal screening reduced by half the number of babies born with the severest form of cystic fibrosis because many parents chose abortion.

More couples with no family history of inherited diseases are getting tested before starting families to see if they carry mutations that put a baby at risk. And a growing number are screening embryos and using only those without problem genes.

The cost of testing is falling, and the number of companies offering it is rising. A 2008 federal law banning gene-based discrimination by insurers and employers has eased fears.

Genetic testing pushes hot-button issues: abortion, embryo destruction and worries about eugenics — selective breeding to rid a population of unwanted traits. Yet it is touching a growing number of people:

- In suburban Cleveland, Beth and Thad Meese were stunned to learn during her second pregnancy that they carry genes that can cause cystic fibrosis. Tests show the baby won't have the disease, but they have decided against having a third child or to screen embryos if they do.
- In Boston, Harvard psychologist and author Steven Pinker and his wife, novelist Rebecca Goldstein, learned last year that they carry genes that cause a serious neurological disease, familial dysautonomia. Too old to have children, they shared the news with younger relatives, who are being tested to see if they, too, have the gene.
- In the Canadian city of

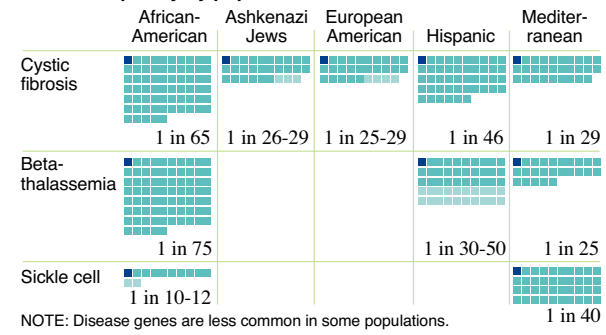


Thad, left, and Beth Meese play with their 2-year-old daughter, Julia, on Feb. 9 in Hudson, Ohio. The parents were stunned to learn during her second pregnancy that they carry genes that can cause cystic fibrosis. Tests show the baby won't have the disease, but they have decided against having a third child or to screen embryos if they do.

Odds of carrying a problem gene

Some diseases occur when people inherit two faulty copies of a gene, one from each parent. The frequency of carrying such genes varies among racial and ethnic groups.

Carrier frequency by population and condition



SOURCES: March of Dimes; Oregon Health & Science University; Oregon Department of Human Resources; American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists

Vancouver, Jeff and Megan Carroll screened embryos to have two children free of the Huntington's disease gene Jeff has. "I felt very strongly that I didn't want to pass on this," he said. Huntington's "is done killing people in my family when I am gone."

Although genetic testing can raise moral dilemmas, at least one conservative religious group — Orthodox Jews — has found ethically acceptable ways to use it to lessen diseases that have plagued its populations.

"I am a Holocaust survivor. I was born in the middle of the second World War. I hope that I am not a suspect for practicing eugenics. We are trying to have healthy children," said Rabbi Josef Ekstein of New York, who founded a group that tests couples and discourages matches when both carry problem genes.

Some diseases — sickle cell, cystic fibrosis, Tay-Sachs, thalassemia, spinal muscle atrophy — occur when people inherit two bad genes, one from each parent. The genes can pass quietly for generations until two carriers mate; then children have a one-in-four chance of

getting the disease.

(Down syndrome is the best known disorder for which prenatal testing has long been available, but it's caused by an extra chromosome during abnormal cell division — not genes inherited from the parents.)

Statistics for inherited diseases are hard to come by — birth certificates often don't list them, and they sometimes aren't diagnosed for months or years after birth. Yet, there's little doubt that testing has put a dent in many.

"We're definitely seeing decreased rates of certain genetic disorders as a result of carrier screening," said Dr. Wendy Chung, clinical genetics chief at Columbia University. In five years, she has seen only one case of Tay-Sachs, a neurological disease that used to be more common in Ashkenazi, or Eastern European Jews. Children with the disease lack a key enzyme; they lose mental and physical abilities and usually die by age 4.

In the last decade, only about a dozen new cases of Tay-Sachs occurred each year in the United States, said Dr. Michael Kuback, a pro-

fessor at the University of California at San Diego who tracks the disease.

Ekstein, the rabbi, lost four children to it before founding Dor Yeshorim, a Brooklyn-based group that recruits Jews to be tested. Using confidential PIN numbers, they call a hotline to see if a prospective mate would be a risky match. The group has 300,000 members and tests for nine diseases, including cystic fibrosis.

Lots of eyes are on cystic fibrosis, a disease that causes sticky mucus buildup in the lungs, digestive problems and death in young adulthood. More than 10 million Americans — one in 25 to 29 whites, who are more at risk for it than blacks — carry a gene mutation for it. In 2001, the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists and other groups recommended white pregnant women be offered testing for mutations. Tests on partners and fetuses often followed, and an unknown number of abortions.

The impact showed up two years later in Massachusetts,

one of the few states testing newborns for the disease at the time. Births of babies with cystic fibrosis dropped, from 29 in 2000 to 10 in 2003, ticking up to 15 in 2006, said Dr. Richard Parad, a Brigham and Women's Hospital physician who helped set up the screening program.

In California, Kaiser Permanente, a large health maintenance organization, offered prenatal screening. From 2006 through 2008, 87 couples with cystic fibrosis mutations agreed to have fetuses tested, and 23 were found to have the disease. Sixteen of the 17 fetuses projected to have the severest type of disease were aborted, as were four of the six fetuses projected to have less severe disease.

Comparisons to couples not given prenatal screening suggested that screening had cut births of babies with severe disease in half, researchers reported at a genetics conference in 2008. Studies in Canada, Italy, Australia and in Europe also found cases dropped after screening began.

The Cystic Fibrosis Foundation's registry, which tracks voluntarily reported cases, shows a steady rise in recent years. But that is because more states have

started testing all newborns, discovering cases that previously went unreported, some researchers believe.

Gene testing hasn't led to declines in all diseases. Sickle cell, a blood disorder that causes anemia and pain and raises the risk of stroke, has not dropped. It mostly afflicts blacks; gene carriers are said to have sickle cell "trait," which sounds harmless.

"Now we're actually learning that it's not as benign as we thought it was," and that carriers have higher risks for certain medical problems, said Dr. Lanetta Jordan, a Florida physician and chief medical officer of the Sickle Cell Disease Association of America.

Newborn screening is finding more sickle cell carriers and cases, but this doesn't seem to affect parents' future family plans, Jordan said.

Eliminating disease is a noble goal but also "should give us pause," Lerner, the Columbia historian, wrote recently in the New England Journal of Medicine.

"If a society is so willing to screen aggressively to find these genes and then to potentially to have to abort the fetuses, what does that say about the value of the lives of those people living with the diseases?" he asked.

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Johnson gets break, wins at California

By Stephen Hawkins
Associated Press writer

FONTANA, Calif. — Jimmie Johnson knows he got lucky. So do the Richard Childress Racing drivers who went from leading to chasing him the final laps.

The fortunate break for Johnson in his victory at California came because he was already in the pits

Jimmie Johnson celebrates after winning the NASCAR Auto Club 500 race at Auto Club Speedway in Fontana, Calif., Sunday
AP photo

when a late caution flag came out Sunday. The No. 48 Hendrick team completed the stop and Johnson passed the scoring line at the end of pit road before Childress' Jeff Burton and Kevin Harvick were able to cross the start-finish line.

That split-second kept Johnson on the lead lap, and allowed him to regain the lead when everybody else — including Burton and Harvick, who were 1-2 when Brad Keselowski spun in Turn 4 — pitted under yellow. Johnson stayed in front the final 20 laps after the restart.

"There's no way of getting around

how lucky they are," Harvick said.

"Yeah, the deal on pit row, there's no way around it, we got lucky," Johnson said. "We were running fourth or fifth at the time, so it's not like we totally backed into this thing. We got a really nice gift with the way things worked out and it was up to me to kind of hang on to it."

Consider the drive for five under way after he held off a charging Harvick on the closing stretch.

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France	2	2	4	8
Switzerland	5	0	2	7
Sweden	3	1	2	6
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Poland	0	3	1	4
Italy	0	1	3	4

TOP PERFORMANCE

BODY MILLER SKIIER, USA

Miller finally won his elusive gold medal, using a blistering slalom run Sunday to complete one of the most unlikely Olympic come-backs ever.

Four years after bombing out amid lofty expectations at the Turin Games and a year after practically walking away from the sport, Miller won the super-combined for his third medal in as many events at Vancouver.

OLYMPIC BRIEFS

SCHMID WINS FIRST-EVER OLYMPIC SKICROSS

Switzerland's Michael Schmid won the Olympics debut of men's skicross, a cousin to the NASCAR-on-ice snowboarding race featuring four racers charging through a winding course filled with jumps. For an unpredictable sport, the first men's winner wasn't much of a surprise. Schmid was the top-ranked World Cup rider this season.

But the final did have one of its trademark wipeouts, with Canada's Chris Del Bosco, winner of the Winter X Games last month, going down hard on the next-to-last jump.

Americans Casey Puckett and Daron Rahives were eliminated in the first round of the four-man heats.

U.S. WOMEN FALL TO CANADA IN CURLING MATCH

The U.S. women's curling team lost to Canada after winning their previous two matches. The Canadians are 5-0, but have had some tight matches. They looked dominant, winning 9-2 in a shortened match.

PHOTO OF THE DAY



AP photo

Canada's Tessa Virtue and Scott Moir perform their original dance during the ice dance figure skating competition at the Vancouver 2010 Olympics in Vancouver, British Columbia, Sunday.

ONE MORE MIRACLE ON ICE

Team USA's Ryan Kessler, left, and Zach Parise (9) celebrate as Canada's Coery Perry kneels in the background during third period men's ice hockey action Sunday at the 2010 Winter Olympic Games in Vancouver, British Columbia. USA won 5-3.



AP photo

U.S. hockey team jolts Canada 5-3 as Rafalski scores twice

By Alan Robinson
Associated Press writer

VANCOUVER, British Columbia — The United States pulled off its biggest Olympic hockey upset since the Miracle on Ice, stunning Canada 5-3 on Sunday to advance to the quarterfinals of an already mixed-up tournament.

Brian Rafalski scored two goals and set up another, and Ryan Miller held off a flurry of shots to

lead the Americans.

"We know we can beat anybody now," Rafalski said.

One day short of the 30th anniversary of the country's greatest hockey victory — the unfathomable win over the Soviet Union in Lake Placid — these underrated Americans were faster, more disciplined and more determined than Canada's collection of all-stars.

Better, too.

Canada outshot the U.S. 45-23

yet couldn't badly dent Miller, the goalie the Americans felt could best stand up to all of Canada's might. He did just that, making 42 saves in the victory of a lifetime.

These Americans didn't believe in miracles. They just believed.

Depending on the later Finland-Sweden game that concluded hockey's Super Sunday in Vancouver, the United States could go into Wednesday's quarterfinals not only as a group win-

ner but as the top-seeded team, something almost no one predicted when the tournament began.

Canada, the gold-medal favorite, was expected to coast into the medal round. But now, after nearly losing to Switzerland and being outplayed on home ice by the Americans, it must win a play-in game Tuesday to reach the quarterfinals. The Canadians

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Poulter tops Casey for Match Play Championship

The Associated Press

MARANA, Ariz. — Ian Poulter now has something more stylish than anything in his wardrobe.

Dressed in pink on a chilly day in the desert, Poulter captured the biggest victory of his career Sunday by leading the final 28 holes and beating Paul Casey 4 and 2 in the all-England final at the Match Play Championship.

Along with winning his first World Golf Championship, the 34-year-old Poulter won for the first time on American soil. He closed out Casey with a par on the 34th hole.

Poulter won for the ninth time on the PGA European Tour and moved to a career-best No. 5 in the world ranking. He earned \$1.4 million, the

biggest prize of his career.

Known mostly for what's in his closet, Poulter quickly is gaining a strong reputation for his prowess in match play. He improved his overall record in the Match Play Championship to 18-7, and was so dominant on the weekend that he trailed for only one hole over the final 50 holes of the tournament.

Casey, the first player to lose consecutive years in the championship match, had to return early Sunday morning just to reach the final.

Resuming his semifinal that was suspended by darkness, Casey won with a par after Camilo Villegas hooked his tee shot into the desert. Casey won in 24 holes, the longest match of the week. Villegas beat Sergio Garcia 5 and 4 in the third-

place match.

MIYAZATO WINS AT HONDA PTT LPGA THAILAND

PATTAYA, Thailand — Japanese star Ai Miyazato rallied to win the season-opening Honda PTT LPGA Thailand, holing a 30-foot birdie chip on the final hole for a 9-under 63 and a one-stroke victory over Norway's Suzann Pettersen.

Miyazato, six strokes behind Pettersen after the third round, was 6 under in a six-hole stretch midway through the round, then birdied three of the last six holes to match the tournament record of 21 under set by Pettersen in October 2007.

Pettersen finished with a 70 Siam Country Club's Old Course. She had

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AP photo

Ian Poulter holds the Walter Hagen Cup, after his 4 and 2 victory over Paul Casey in the finals of the Accenture Match Play Championship Sunday in Marana, Ariz.



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BOYS DISTRICT IV BASKETBALL TOURNAMENTS

Class 4A
Great Basin Conference Tournament
Thursday, Feb. 18
Game 3: Twin Falls 61, Burley 47
Game 4: Minico 54, Jerome 42
Game 5: Wood River def. Canyon Ridge (Canyon Ridge eliminated)
Saturday, Feb. 20
Game 6: Burley 60, Wood River 35
Game 7: Twin Falls 56, Minico 37
Monday, Feb. 22
Game 8: Burley (11-12) vs. Jerome (12-10), 7 p.m.
Tuesday, Feb. 23
Game 9: Winner 8 vs. Minico (16-6), 7 p.m.
Thursday, Feb. 25
Championship: Twin Falls (20-2) vs. Winner 9, 7 p.m.
Friday, Feb. 26
Second championship, if necessary, 7 p.m.

First and second place advance to state tournament, March 4-6 at Borah HS in Boise.

Class 3A
Sawtooth Central Idaho Conference Tournament
Wednesday, Feb. 17
At CSI
Game 5: Wendell 48, Buhl 47 (Buhl eliminated)
Game 6: Filer 70, Kimberly 56
Monday, Feb. 22
Game 7: Wendell (10-11) at Kimberly (9-11), 7 p.m.
Wednesday, Feb. 24
At CSI
Championship: Filer (16-4) vs. Winner 7, 7 p.m.
Thursday, Feb. 25
Second championship, if necessary, 7 p.m.

First place advances to state tournament, March 4-6 at Meridian HS. Second place advances to play-in game vs. District VI No. 2 Saturday, Feb. 27 at Highland HS in Pocatello.

Class 2A
Canyon Conference Tournament
Thursday, Feb. 18
Game 2: Glenss Ferry 72, Declo 67
Tuesday, Feb. 23
Game 3: Valley (2-19) at Declo (16-6), 7 p.m.
Thursday, Feb. 25
Championship: Winner 3 at Glenss Ferry (18-3), 7 p.m.
Friday, Feb. 26
Second championship, if necessary, 7 p.m.

First place advances to state tournament, March 4-6 at Capital HS in Boise.

Class 1A Division I
Snake River Conference Tournament
Wednesday, Feb. 17
At higher seed Elimination
Game 5: Challis 85, Sho-Ban 63 (Sho-Ban eliminated)
Game 6: Oakley 73, Lighthouse Christian 57 (Lighthouse Christian eliminated)
Semifinals
Game 7: Raft River 48, Shoshone 46
Game 8: Castleford 62, Hagerman 43
Tuesday, Feb. 23
At Murtaugh
Game 9: Challis (8-12) at Hagerman (11-11), 4:30 p.m.
Game 10: Oakley (10-11) at Shoshone (18-4), 6 p.m.
Championship: Raft River (17-5) vs. Castleford (20-1), 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 Vallivue HS in Caldwell. Third place advances to state play-in game against District III No. 3 Saturday, Feb. 27 at Glenss Ferry.

Class 1A Division II
Northside Conference Tournament
At Dietrich
Monday, Feb. 22
Game 5: Community School (14-7) vs. Camas County (7-12), 3 p.m.
Game 6: Bliss (5-14) vs. Magic Valley Christian (0-19), 4:30 p.m.
Game 7: Carey (19-2) vs. Richfield (7-14), 6 p.m.
Game 8: Dietrich (15-6) vs. Murtaugh (15-4), 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 District III No. 2 Saturday, Feb. 27 at Glenss Ferry.

Bode golden on‘Super Sunday’

VANCOUVER, British Columbia — Bode Miller looked at the camera, smiled and shrugged. Even he couldn’t believe this.

Miller won the first gold medal of his Olympics career on Sunday, taking the super-combined with plenty of flair — roaring back from seventh after the downhill with a blazing slalom run.

That’s not the easy way of doing it, but it was quite fitting for a guy who revels in being unconventional, like partying away his medals chances at the last Winter Olympics and skipping training last summer while pondering retirement.

With a medal of each color after three races, Miller is one of the feel-good stories of the Vancouver Games.

“The level I skied at is at the very top,” he said. “It feels amazing”

Miller bumped the U.S. medal count to seven gold and 24 overall, easily leading all countries. One more medal and the Americans will match the 25 they won in 2006, their most at a Winter Olympics not held at home.

Across Vancouver, bars, restaurants and streets were packed Sunday, mainly because of the U.S.-Canada hockey game the host country has been anticipating for years. With a trio of rivalry games at Canada Hockey Place, and six medals handed out elsewhere, the day was dubbed “Super Sunday.”

However, it got off to a sad start with Joannie Rochette — Canada’s best hope for a medal in women’s figure skating — learning that her 55-year-old mother died of a massive heart attack.

In the afternoon, Rochette wiped her eyes and took a deep breath before stepping onto the ice for practice, then blinked hard during her first few laps around the rink. She’ll remain in the event, which starts Tuesday, “to fulfill the goal they had together,” said Rochette’s agent, David Baden.

SUPER-COMBINED

Once Miller took over the lead, he had to wait out six challengers. The



AP photo

Bode Miller of the United States celebrates after winning the gold medal in the Men's super-combined at the Vancouver 2010 Olympics in Whistler, British Columbia, Canada, Sunday.

last was Aksel Lund Svindal of Norway, who finished a spot ahead of Miller in the super-G and the downhill.

When Svindal pulled up midway through the race, that was it. Miller tied the record for most Alpine medals won by a man at a single Winter Olympics (first since Norwegian great Kjetil Andrea Aamodt in 1994) and his five career medals are second only to Aadmodt among men’s Alpine skiers.

“It’s going to be hard for me go keep doing this,” said Miller, who could still have two events left. “This is incredibly emotionally exhausting.”

Defending champion Ted Ligety jumped from 15th to fifth with the fastest time in the slalom.

SKATER’S MOTHER

Joannie Rochette — a six-time Canadian champion who won a silver medal at last year’s world championships — has been in Vancouver since the opening ceremony. Her mother, Therese, and father, Normand, arrived Saturday from their home in Montreal.

After visiting Canada House, the

couple went to the apartment where they’re staying. Normand Rochette later found his wife passed out and, when he was unable to revive her, took her to Vancouver General, the agent said.

Normand broke the news to his daughter early Sunday at the Olympic village, Canadian officials said.

ORIGINAL DANCE

Canada’s Tessa Virtue and Scott Moir won the original dance Sunday with a sultry, sizzling flamenco that reduced the uproar over the Russians’ Aboriginal routine to background noise. Virtue and Moir, medalists at the last two world championships, scored 68.41 points for their OD and lead Americans Meryl Davis and Charlie White by 2.60 points going into Monday night’s free dance.

Reigning world champions Oksana Domnina and Maxim Shabalin, the focus of all the attention before the OD and leaders after the compulsory dance, dropped to third. Olympic silver medalists Tanith Belbin and Ben Agosto are fourth.

— The Associated Press

Howard outduels Shaq as Magic beat Cavs

ORLANDO, Fla. — Dwight Howard had 22 points and 16 rebounds in a bruising battle with Shaquille O’Neal, and the Orlando Magic beat Cleveland 101-95 on Sunday to hand the Cavaliers their first three-game losing streak in two years.

Cleveland’s skid comes on the heels of a 13-game win streak.

Howard was 8-for-13 shooting and added four blocks, and Vince Carter had eight of his 11 points in the fourth quarter to help the Magic beat Cleveland for the first time this season.

O’Neal made his first eight shots and finished with 20 points, and LeBron James had 33 points and nine rebounds for the Cavaliers, who were eliminated by Orlando in last year’s Eastern Conference finals.

NUGGETS 114, CELTICS 105

DENVER — J.R. Smith scored 16 of his 19 points in the fourth quarter and Denver recovered to get the win after blowing an early 20-point lead.

Chauncey Billups had 26 points and Carmelo Anthony added 23 for the Nuggets.

THUNDER 109, TIMBERWOLVES 107

MINNEAPOLIS — Kevin Durant scored 32 points to extend his streak of games with at least 25 points to 28 games and Russell Westbrook had a triple-double to lead Oklahoma City to its ninth straight win.

Westbrook had 22 points, 10



AP photo

Orlando Magic center Dwight Howard, right, shoots over Cleveland Cavaliers center Shaquille O’Neal, left, during the first half in Orlando, Fla., Sunday.

rebounds and 14 assists and Jeff Green added 17 points and 14 rebounds for the Thunder, who have the longest active winning streak in the NBA.

PISTONS 109, SPURS 101, OT

AUBURN HILLS, Mich. — Richard Hamilton scored 27 points and Rodney Stuckey added 20 and Detroit held on for the win after trailing to start overtime.

Manu Ginobili’s layup tied the game at 93 with 27.5 seconds left, and the Pistons missed two game-

winning shots at the end of regulation.

GRIZZLIES 104, NETS 94

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. — Rudy Gay scored 29 points and Memphis added another exclamation point to a frustrating season for New Jersey, rallying from an 18-point first-half deficit for the win.

WARRIORS 108, HAWKS 104

OAKLAND, Calif. — Stephen Curry scored 32 points and made the go-ahead free throw in the final minute after a technical foul on Jamal Crawford to help Golden State edge Atlanta.

SUNS 104, KINGS 88

PHOENIX — Jason Richardson scored 26 points, Amare Stoudemire had 19 points and 14 rebounds, and Steve Nash had 17 assists as Phoenix completed a season series sweep of Sacramento.

Newly acquired Carl Landry led Sacramento with 18 points. Beno Udrih had 17 and Donte Greene and rookie Tyreke Evans each scored 16 for the Kings.

HORNETS 102, ROCKETS 94

NEW ORLEANS — David West scored 27 points, including four in the final 2 minutes, to lift New Orleans to the win.

Darren Collison added 26 points for New Orleans, the fifth straight game he’s had 24 or more.

— The Associated Press

No. 19 Pitt takes down No. 3 ‘Nova

PITTSBURGH — Ashton Gibbs scored 21 points and No. 19 Pittsburgh upset No. 3 Villanova 70-65 on Sunday.

Gilbert Brown added 16 points, including a thunderous dunk off a baseline move with 1:29 left that gave the Panthers (21-6, 10-4 Big East) a six-point lead.

The first meeting between the two teams since Villanova’s dramatic NCAA tournament win last year turned out to be another typical, physical Big East matchup. Last season, star guard Scottie Reynolds’ last-second dash to the basket gave the Wildcats a 78-76 win to send them to the Final Four.

This time, the Panthers built up enough of a cushion to prevent Reynolds from repeating his late-game heroics.

Reynolds finished with 20 points, and his three foul shots with 7 seconds left got the Wildcats (22-4, 11-3) within three, but Pitt withstood Villanova’s late pressure.

NO. 6 DUKE 67, VIRGINIA TECH 55

DURHAM, N.C. — Kyle Singler had 25 points and 10 rebounds, Nolan Smith added 23 points and Duke pulled away late to beat Virginia Tech.

Jon Scheyer had 15 points for the Blue Devils (23-4, 11-2 Atlantic Coast Conference). They used a late 14-4 run to overcome their only deficit of the second half and earn their sixth straight victory.

Malcolm Delaney, the ACC’s leading scorer, finished with 19 points for Virginia Tech (21-5, 8-4), which fell to 1-17 at Cameron Indoor Stadium.

NO. 9 OHIO ST. 74, NO. 11 MICHIGAN ST. 67

EAST LANSING, Mich. — Evan Turner scored 20 points and Ohio State earned a win over Michigan State.

William Buford had 17 points for the Buckeyes (21-7, 11-4 Big Ten), who pulled into a second-place tie with Michigan State in the conference.

Both teams trail Purdue by a half-game in the conference standings.

Durrell Summers scored 16 points for Michigan State (21-7, 11-4), which trailed by 14 points early in the second half. Summers scored seven straight points, including a dunk and a 3-pointer, to give Michigan State a 62-61 lead with 4:05 remaining.

NO. 14 WISCONSIN 70, NORTHWESTERN 63

MADISON, Wis. — Jon Leuer’s blocked shot with 11 seconds remaining helped Wisconsin escape with a victory over Northwestern.

With Wisconsin leading by three, Leuer went high in the air to block a layup attempt by Northwestern’s Michael Thompson — making up for some shaky free throw shooting down the stretch in his second game back from a broken wrist.

Jason Bohannon scored 17 points to lead the Badgers (20-7, 10-5 Big Ten).

— The Associated Press

NASCAR

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championship last year, Johnson started this season by finishing 35th in the Daytona 500. And there he had some bad luck, a flat tire possibly caused by that pothole before his race ended later because of a broken axle.

With Harvick trying to get around him with just more than three laps to go on the slick two-mile California track, Johnson moved to block. Harvick scrapped the outside wall out of Turn 4 and lost his momentum, allowing Johnson to go on to his 48th career victory, and fifth in 15 races at his home track.

“Caught the wall there just enough to knock the right fender in,” Harvick said. “He moved up and did what he was supposed to do to take that line away.”

Harvick had cut the margin by more than six-tenths of a second in a matter of laps — from 0.983 to 0.311. He was making his move at the end of lap 247 of 250 when he brushed against the wall.

Burton, who finished third, was on Johnson’s bumper on the restart but never could get around him.

Miracle

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still could win a gold medal, but now face a much tougher road that would include an additional game.

“We’re here to be the last ones standing and we’re still alive,” Martin Brodeur said. “We’re throwing 45 shot at these goalies and they are making stops facing forward, backward, sideways. Eventually we’ll be more successful.”

Chris Drury, a former Little League World Series star, and Jamie Langenbrunner scored to put the U.S. up 4-2 and hold off a relentless late surge by Canada that included Sidney Crosby’s power play goal with 3:09 remaining.

Miller made an exceptional save on Rick Nash’s shot from the slot with two minutes left to preserve it, and Ryan Kesler put it away by swiping in an empty-net goal with one hand with 45 seconds remaining.

“He made some really key saves in the third period and was the difference,” Canada forward Eric Staal said.

Golf

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a chance to force a playoff on the par-5 18th, but missed a 23-foot eagle try. In her 2007 victory, Pettersen beat Laura Davies with an eagle on 18 after blowing a seven-stroke lead.

The 24-year-old Miyazato earned \$195,000 for her second LPGA Tour title.

BECKMAN SURGES TO WIN MAYAKOBA GOLF CLASSIC

PLAYA DEL CARMEN, Mexico — Cameron Beckman won the Mayakoba Golf Classic for his third PGA Tour title, closing with a 3-under 67 for a two-stroke victory over third-round leader Joe Durant and Brian Stuard.

The 40-year-old Beckman, three strokes behind Durant at the start of play Sunday, finished at 15-under 269 on the Mayakoba Resort’s El Camaleon course. Beckman also won the 2001 Southern Farm Bureau Classic and 2008 Frys.com Open.

Durant shot a 72, and Stuard had a 66. Skip Kendall (64), Richard S. Johnson (65), Briny Baird (68), Chad Collins (70) and J.P. Hayes (71) followed at 12 under.

LANGER BEATS COOK IN PLAYOFF AT ALLIANZ CHAMPIONSHIP

BOCA RATON, Fla. — Bernhard Langer holed a 45-foot bunker shot from a plugged lie for eagle to beat John Cook on the first playoff hole in the Allianz Championship.

Langer, the German star who lives in Boca Raton, dropped his club and jumped for joy after winning for the ninth time in 48 career Champions Tour starts.

Cook missed a 30-foot eagle putt on the playoff hole.

Langer and Cook closed with 5-under 67s to finish at 17-under 199 on The Old Course at Broken Sound Club.

Joey Sindelar (67) finished third, a stroke back.

— The Associated Press

SCOREBOARD

AUTO RACING

NASCAR Sprint Cup				
Auto Club 500				
Sunday				
At Auto Club Speedway				
Fontana, Calif.				
Lap Length: 2 Miles				
(Start Position in Parentheses)				
1. (7) Jimmie Johnson, Chevrolet, 250 Laps, 141.8 Rating, 195 Points, \$332,803.				
2. (6) Kevin Harvick, Chevrolet, 250, 117.175, \$248,376.				
3. (14) Jeff Burton, Chevrolet, 250, 119.3, 170, \$212,990.				
4. (10) Kyle Busch, Chevrolet, 250, 118, 165, \$151,200.				
5. (19) Joey Logano, Toyota, 250, 85.9, 155, \$158,040.				
6. (12) Kurt Busch, Dodge, 250, 95.3, 155, \$161,698.				
7. (20) Matt Kenseth, Ford, 250, 94, 146, \$151,926.				
8. (3) Clint Bowyer, Chevrolet, 250, 114.6, 147, \$113,375.				
9. (16) Tony Stewart, Chevrolet, 250, 88.5, 138, \$138,398.				
10. (35) Greg Biffle, Ford, 250, 90.6, 134, \$115,900.				
11. (13) Scott Speed, Toyota, 250, 74.3, 115, \$117,023.				
12. (3) Brian Vickers, Toyota, 250, 102.1, 132, \$134,698.				
13. (30) Carl Edwards, Ford, 250, 82.1, 124, \$133,873.				
14. (9) Kyle Busch, Toyota, 250, 975, 126, \$139,256.				
15. (11) David Reutimann, Toyota, 250, 81.2, 118, \$125,506.				
16. (8) Sam Hornish Jr., Dodge, 250, 74.2, 115, \$102,050.				
17. (1) Jamie McMurray, Chevrolet, 250, 75.7, 112, \$138,379.				
18. (36) Paul Menard, Ford, 250, 61, 109, \$100,750.				
19. (22) Regan Smith, Chevrolet, 250, 59.9, 106, \$99,700.				
20. (28) Jeff Gordon, Chevrolet, 250, 86.9, 108, \$140,951.				
21. (21) Brad Keselowski, Dodge, 250, 66, 100, \$117,379.				
22. (17) Mike Bliss, Chevrolet, 250, 56.6, 97, \$86,300.				
23. (15) David Ragan, Ford, 250, 61.3, 94, \$98,700.				
24. (37) Elliott Stryker, Ford, 249, 47.2, 91, \$96,375.				
25. (29) AJ Allmendinger, Ford, 249, 56.3, 88, \$125,501.				
26. (41) Dave Gilliland, Ford, 249, 43.1, 85, \$105,710.				
27. (33) Bobby Labonte, Chevrolet, 249, 49.4, 82, \$98,700.				
28. (43) Max Papis, Toyota, 249, 35.6, 79, \$82,650.				
29. (25) Denny Hamlin, Toyota, 248, 63.1, 81, \$102,250.				
30. (39) Travis Kvapil, Ford, 248, 41.5, 73, \$86,700.				
31. (38) Kevin Conway, Ford, 247, 31.9, 70, \$103,073.				
32. (27) Dale Earnhardt Jr., Chevrolet, 238, 57.8, 67, \$89,800.				
33. (40) Robby Gordon, Toyota, Overheating, 230, 35.5, 64, \$97,098.				
34. (4) Casey Kahne, Ford, 221, 72.7, 61, \$123,865.				
35. (26) Marcos Ambrose, Toyota, Overheating, 170, 46, \$51,023.				
36. (18) Ryan Newman, Chevrolet, Engine, 148, 72.9, 55, \$108,629.				
37. (2) Juan Pablo Montoya, Chevrolet, Engine, 140, 89.9, 57, \$121,881.				
38. (42) Boris Said, Ford, Rear Gear, 67, 25.8, 49, \$88,525.				
39. (34) Martin Truex Jr., Toyota, Engine, 64, 57.4, 46, \$80,405.				
40. (32) Joe Nemechek, Toyota, Rear Gear, 48, 31, 43, \$80,250.				
41. (6) Danica Patrick, Toyota, Engine, 43, 38.4, 45, \$80,080.				
42. (30) Michael McDowell, Toyota, Engine, 40, 34.6, 37, \$79,990.				
43. (24) Aric Almirola, Chevrolet, Engine, 34, 30.4, 34, \$80,347.				

Barnes 3-5 1-2 7, Lewis 5-12 3-15, Howard 7-15 8-13 22, Nelson 8-13 0-0 18, Carter 4-9 3-11, Jas. Williams 0-3 0-0 0, Bass 2-5 2-6, Pietrus 5-6 1-13, Redick 3-5 1-2 9, Gortat 0-0 0-0 0, Totals 37-73 19-27 101.		Cleveland 18 25 32 20 - 95 Orlando 25 24 25 27 - 101
3-Point Goals—Cleveland 3-16 (Jamison 1-1, Parker 1-4, James 1-6, Gibson 0-1, M. Williams 0-4), Orlando 8-20 (Nelson 2-3, Pietrus 2-3, Redick 2-4, Lewis 2-6, Barnes 0-1, Carter 0-1, Jas. Williams 0-2). Fouled Out—Jamison. Rebounds—Cleveland 35 (James 9), Orlando 42 (Howard 16). Assists—Cleveland 15 (James 6), Orlando 13 (Nelson 5). Total Fouls—Cleveland 21, Orlando 19. Technicals—Cleveland defensive three second, Orlando defensive three second 2. A—17461 (17461).		
NUGGETS 114, CELTICS 105		
BOSTON (105) Pierce 2-10 1-4 5, Garnett 7-13 1-2 15, Perkins 7-10 0-0 14, Rondo 7-12 1-2 15, Allen 9-14 5-25, Wallace 4-10 0-8, Davis 2-6 2-4 6, T. Allen 0-2 2-4 2, Daniels 7-8 1-3 15, Scalabrine 0-0 0-0 0, Williams 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 45-85 13-24 105.		Denver (114) Anthony 7-15 8-9 23, Martin 5-10 2-4 12, Nene 7-11 2-6 16, Billups 7-11 10-12 26, Afflalo 2-5 0-0 5, Andersen 4-7 1-7 9, Smith 6-16 2-2 19, Lawson 2-3 0-2 4, Carter 0-0 0-0 0, Graham 0-0 0-0 0, Totals 40-78 25-40 114.
Boston 19 28 26 32 - 105 Denver 37 17 28 32 - 114		
3-Point Goals—Boston 12-33 (Allen 2-5, Pierce 0-2, Rondo 0-2, Wallace 0-2, Denver 2-1) (Smith 5-11, Billups 2-4, Afflalo 1-2, Anthony 1-4). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Boston 51 (Davis 7), Denver 53 (Nene, Martin 10). Assists—Boston 25 (Rondo 1), Denver 24 (Anthony 8). Total Fouls—Boston 29, Denver 21. Technicals—Denver Coach Karl, Denver defensive three second. A—19818 (19155).		
WARRIORS 108, HAWKS 104		
ATLANTA (104) Williams 4-17 2-9, Josh Smith 6-14 2-7 14, Horford 10-18 6-7 26, Bibby 1-6 1-2 3, Johnson 12-22 5-5 31, Crawford 6-15 2-2 17, Teague 13-1 3-1, Pachulia 0-3 1-2 1, West 0-0 0-0 0, Totals 40-88 19-28 104.		GOLDEN STATE (108) Morrow 5-13 0-1 10, Tolliver 1-4 0-0 2, Biedrins 2-3 0-0 4, Curry 13-18 5-5 32, Ellis 10-11 4-6 26, George 3-6 1-2 7, Watson 6-10 3-3 15, Hunter 5-9 2-4 12, Totals 45-84 15-21 108.
Atlanta 24 28 38 14 - 104 Golden State 30 27 35 35 - 108		
3-Point Goals—Atlanta 5-15 (Crawford 3-9, Johnson 2-3, Jos. Smith 0-1, Bibby 0-2). Golden State 3-12 (Ellis 2-5, Curry 1-3, George 0-1, Tolliver 0-1, Morrow 0-2). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Atlanta 55 (Jos. Smith 17), Golden State 47 (Biedrins 13). Assists—Atlanta 23 (Jos. Smith 7), Golden State 21 (Watson 6). Total Fouls—Atlanta 19, Golden State 22. Technicals—Crawford, Johnson. A—17822 (19,596).		
GRIZZLIES 104, NETS 94		
MEMPHIS (104) Gay 13-21 2-9, Randolph 7-14 4-5 18, Gasol 6-13 4-4 20, \$80,250. 24, Theobald 6-15 3-3 16, Udo 0-0 0-0 0, Young 2-6 0-0 4, Arthur 0-1 0-0 0, Haddadi 1-4 0-2 0, M. Williams 1-5 1-3 3. Totals 41-90 17-20 104.		NEW JERSEY (94) Hayes 1-4 0-0 2, Vi 6-9 2-2 15, Lopez 11-14 4-6 26, Harris 6-17 3-6 17, Lee 6-16 0-10 12, Humphries 1-4 1-2 3, T. Williams 3-10 0-0 6, Dooling 1-6 2-3 5, Boone 4-7 0-0 0, Totals 39-87 12-19 97.
Memphis 20 27 31 26 - 94 New Jersey 36 22 16 20 - 94		
3-Point Goals—Memphis 5-9 (Mayo 3-4, Gay 1-1, Conley 1-3, M. Williams 0-1), New Jersey 4-21 (Harris 2-8, Vi 1-1, Dooling 1-4, T. Williams 0-1, Hayes 0-2). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Memphis 49 (Randolph 10), New Jersey 58 (Boone, Lopez 11). Assists—Memphis 24 (Mayo 7), New Jersey 21 (Harris 13). Total Fouls—Memphis 20, New Jersey 19. A—12,076 (18,974).		
SUNS 104, KINGS 88		
SACRAMENTO (88) Casspi 2-5 0-0 4, Landry 6-15 6-6 18, Thompson 4-8 2-4 10, Evans 9-14 2-12 16, Greene 6-15 3-3 16, Udo 0-0 0-0 0, Udris 7-9 0-2 17, Hawes 3-3 1-2 7, McGuire 0-2 0-0 0, Totals 35-74 14-21 88.		PHOENIX (104) Hill 7-11 1-2 16, Stoudemire 8-19 3-6 19, Lopez 6-9 2-3 14, Nash 4-11 2-2 11, Richardson 10-18 2-2 26, Dudley 0-2 0-0 0, Clark 1-4 0-0 2, Frye 3-8 6-7 12, Amundson 1-2 0-0 0, Dragic 1-5 0-0 2, Totals 41-89 16-22 104.
Phoenix 25 26 24 29 - 108 Sacramento 25 26 24 29 - 88		
3-Point Goals—Sacramento 4-10 (Udris 3-3, Greene 1-3, Casspi 0-2, Udo 0-0, Phoenix 0-1), Phoenix 4-6, Nash 1-1, Hill 1-1, Dragic 0-1, Dudley 0-1, Clark 0-1). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Sacramento 44 (Thompson 9), Phoenix 56 (Stoudemire 14). Assists—Sacramento 6 (Evans 6), Phoenix 24 (Nash 17). Total Fouls—Sacramento 20, Phoenix 16. Technicals—Thompson, Lopez, Phoenix defensive three second. A—17369 (18,422).		
HORNETS 102, ROCKETS 94		
HOUSTON (94) Houla 6-11 0-1 12, Battier 3-9 0-0 8, Hayes 2-4 0-2 4, Brooks 6-15 2-4 15, Ariza 2-10 0-0 5, Martin 5-12 3-4 13, Budinger 7-11 1-2 18, Jeffries 5-11 1-2 11, Temple 1-4 0-0 2, Andersen 3-5 0-0 6, Totals 40-92 7-14 94.		NEW ORLEANS (102) West 8-18 11-13 27, Stojakovic 5-16 3-3 14, Okafor 2-7 0-0 4, Collison 10-17 6-7 26, Peterson 5-9 2-4 15, Thornton 5-13 0-0 12, Posey 0-1 0-0 0, Wright 2-4 0-0 4, Totals 37-85 22-27 102.
Houston 16 23 23 32 - 94 New Orleans 24 26 24 28 - 102		
3-Point Goals—Houston 7-25 (Budinger 3-5, Battier 2-5, Brooks 1-3, Ariza 1-7, Andersen 0-1, Jeffries 0-2, Temple 0-2), New Orleans 6-20 (Peterson 3-6, Thornton 2-4, Stojakovic 1-7, Posey 0-1, Collison 0-1, Wright 0-1). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Houston 59 (Scoll 11), New Orleans 53 (Okafor 10). Assists—Houston 24 (Brooks, Ariza 8), New Orleans 18 (Collison 9). Total Fouls—Houston 25, New Orleans 20. A—14,504 (17,188).		
PISTONS 102, SPURS 101		
SAN ANTONIO (101) Jefferson 1-5 6-8 8, Bogans 2-5 0-0 5, Duncan 11-21 6-8 29, Hill 7-16 2-3 17, Mason 1-6 0-0 2, Ginobili 5-15 8-8 21, McDye 6-10 1-1 13, Blair 1-3 4-5 6, Totals 34-81 27-33 101.		DETROIT (109) Prince 6-13 3-4 16, Jerrekko 3-7 1-2 7, Wallace 0-0 4-10 4, Stuckey 7-15 3-4 20, Hamilton 9-19 9-9 27, Bynum 0-0 3-3 3, Gordon 8-14 4-4 21, Villanueva 3-8 0-0 7, Maxiell 1-3 2-4 4, Totals 37-82 29-40 109.
San Antonio 24 21 22 26 - 101 Detroit 24 21 24 24 - 109		
3-Point Goals—San Antonio 6-21 (Ginobili 3-7, Duncan 1-2, Bogans 1-3, Hill 1-5, Jefferson 0-1, Mason 0-3). Detroit 6-17 (Stuckey 3-3, Gordon 1-2, Prince 1-2, Villanueva 1-4, Jerrekko 0-1, Hamilton 0-5). Fouled Out—Bogans. Rebounds—San Antonio 43 (Duncan 10), Detroit 66 (Jerrekko 10). Assists—San Antonio 21 (Hill, Ginobili 5), Detroit 19 (Stuckey 6). Total Fouls—San Antonio 28, Detroit 26. Technicals—All Antonio defensive three second, Hamilton. A—20,153 (22,076).		
THUNDER 109, TIMBERWOLVES 107		
OKLAHOMA CITY (109) Durant 8-16 14-15 32, Green 8-17 0-0 17, Krstic 4-7 2-2 10, Westbrook 9-19 4-4 22, Seloloshia 4-6 0-8 8, Harden 3-6 0-0 2, Blake 2-6 0-0 4, Maynor 0-3 0-0 0, Collison 3-6 2-8, Ollie 0-1 0-0 0, Totals 48-87 22-23 109.		MINNESOTA (107) Gomes 0-9 0-0 0, Jefferson 5-11 0-0 10, Hollins 3-3 2-2 2
OKLAHOMA CITY 109 Durant 8-16 14-15 32, Green 8-17 0-0 17, Krstic 4-7 2-2 10, Westbrook 9-19 4-4 22, Seloloshia 4-6 0-8 8, Harden 3-6 0-0 2, Blake 2-6 0-0 4, Maynor 0-3 0-0 0, Collison 3-6 2-8, Ollie 0-1 0-0 0, Totals 48-87 22-23 109.		MINNESOTA (107) Gomes 0-9 0-0 0, Jefferson 5-11 0-0 10, Hollins 3-3 2-2 2

GAME PLAN	
LOCAL	OLYMPICS
HIGH SCHOOL BOYS BASKETBALL	10-4 p.m.
Class 4A Great Basin Conference	USA — Men's curling: U.S. vs. Canada; women's ice hockey: semi-final
Tournament	1-3 p.m.
7 p.m.	NBC — Men's and women's cross country: team sprints Gold Medal finals
Wendell at Kimberly	3 p.m.-11 p.m.
Class 1A Division II Northside	CNBC — Women's ice hockey: semi-final; teams TBA; men's curling: U.S. vs. China; women's curling: Sweden vs. Canada.
Conference Tournament	6 p.m.-10 p.m.
At Dietrich	NBC — LIVE: figure skating: dance Gold Medal final; men's freestyle skiing: aerials; SAME-DAY TAPE: ski jumping: team K-125 large hill Gold Medal final
Community School loser vs. Camas County	10:35-Midnight
4:30 p.m.	NBC — Award Ceremonies (delayed tape)
Bliss vs. Magic Valley Christian	1-3:30 a.m.
6 p.m.	MSNBC — Men's curling: Germany vs. Britain, (delayed tape)
Carey vs. Richfield	WOMEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL
7:30 p.m.	5 p.m.
Dietrich vs. Murtaugh	ESPN2 — LSU at Tennessee
TV SCHEDULE	7 p.m.
MEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL	ESPN2 — Baylor at Texas A&M
5 p.m.	
ESPN — West Virginia at Connecticut	
7 p.m.	
ESPN — Oklahoma at Kansas	

8. Flynn 7-14 4-4 19, Brewer 7-16 2-4 18, Love 7-13 4-6 19, Wilkins 7-12 3-3 18, Millicic 4-7 0-2 8, Ellington 2-5 0-0 5, Sessions 1-3 0-0 2, Pavlovic 0-1 0-0 0, Totals 43-94 15-21 107.	Oklahoma City 30 32 23 - 109 Minnesota 23 28 29 27 - 107	3-Point Goals—Oklahoma City 5-12 (Harden 2-3, Durant 2-3, Green 1-4, Maynor 0-2), Minnesota 6-17 (Brewer 2-6, Flynn 1-1, Ellington 1-2, Love 1-3, Wilkins 1-3, Gomes 0-2). Fouled Out—Brewer. Rebounds—Oklahoma City 51 (Green 14), Minnesota 53 (Love 14). Assists—Oklahoma City 22 (Westbrook 14), Minnesota 22 (Flynn 5). Total Fouls—Oklahoma City 19, Minnesota 23. A—14,202 (19,350).
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Saturday's Late NBA Box	6. Flynn 7-14 4-4 19, Brewer 7-16 2-4 18, Love 7-13 4-6 19, Wilkins 7-12 3-3 18, Millicic 4-7 0-2 8, Ellington 2-5 0-0 5, Sessions 1-3 0-0 2, Pavlovic 0-1 0-0 0, Totals 43-94 15-21 107.
CLIPPERS 99, KINGS 89	Oklahoma City 30 32 23 - 109 Minnesota 23 28 29 27 - 107
SACRAMENTO (89) Casspi 5-11 5-5 15, Landry 4-11 2-5 10, Thompson 4-9 1-2 9, Evans 9-14 2-7 10, Hawes 3-3 0-0 2, Dorsey 0-0 0-0 0, Udo 2-3 0-0 0, Nocioni 2-5 0-0 5, May 0-1 1-2 1. Totals 35-77 15-29 89.	L.A. CLIPPERS 99 Butler 5-16 0-0 14, Smith 3-8 3-3 9, Kaman 9-18 4-6 22, Blake 3-6 4-4 11, Gordon 10-17 6-7 30, Jordan 2-7 0-0 4, Novak 1-2 0-0 3, Brown 1-3 0-0 3, Skinner 0-0 0-0 0, Collins 1-2 1-3 3. Totals 35-79 18-21 99.
L.A. CLIPPERS 99 Butler 5-16 0-0 14, Smith 3-8 3-3 9, Kaman 9-18 4-6 22, Blake 3-6 4-4 11, Gordon 10-17 6-7 30, Jordan 2-7 0-0 4, Novak 1-2 0-0 3, Brown 1-3 0-0 3, Skinner 0-0 0-0 0, Collins 1-2 1-3 3. Totals 35-79 18-21 99.	SACRAMENTO 89 3-Point Goals—Sacramento 4-14 (Udo 1-1, Garcia 1-2, Nocioni 1-3, Evans 1-3, Udris 0-1, Greene 0-2, Casspi 0-2), L.A. Clippers 11-22 (Gordon 4-7, Butler 4-10, Novak 1-1, Brown 1-1, Blake 1-3). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Sacramento 42 (Landry 8), L.A. Clippers 57 (Kaman 16). Assists—Sacramento 19 (Evans, Udris 4), L.A. Clippers 23 (Blake 12). Total Fouls—Sacramento 23, L.A. Clippers 24. A—17,903 (19,060).

NBA Development League				
All Times MST				
EAST	W	L	Pct	GB
Iowa	29	6	.829	-
Maine	20	13	.606	8
Southern	19	15	.559	9 1/2
Dakota	17	15	.531	10 1/2
Fort Wayne	12	19	.387	15
Erie	12	22	.353	16 1/2
Springfield	5	24	.172	21
WEST	W	L	Pct	GB
Rio Grande Valley	24	9	.727	-
Austin	21	11	.656	2 1/2
Tulsa	17	14	.548	6
Albuquerque	17	15	.531	6 1/2
Utah	17	17	.500	7 1/2
Lubbock	15	16	.484	8
Reno	15	17	.469	8 1/2
Los Angeles	10	20	.333	12 1/2
Bakersfield	8	25	.242	16
Saturday's Games				
Reno 112, Springfield 99				
Fort Wayne 105, Erie 84				
Sioux Falls 101, Dakota 102				
Idaho 106, Los Angeles 103				
lowa 126, Utah 112				
Maine 111, Rio Grande Valley 106				
Sunday's Games				
Fort Wayne 91, Erie 80				
Rio Grande Valley 117, Maine 107				
Austin 109, Bakersfield 108				
Albuquerque 101, Los Angeles 95				
Monday's Games				
Idaho at Dakota, 6 p.m.				
Tuesday's Games				
Reno at Iowa, 6 p.m.				
Albuquerque at Bakersfield, 8 p.m.				

Men's College Scores

For West

Arizona St. 73, Arizona 69

Midwest

Marquette 79, Cincinnati 76, OT

Ohio St. 74, Michigan St. 67

Wisconsin 70, Northwestern 63

South

Duke 67, Virginia Tech 55

ETSU 63, S.C. Upstate 56

East

Binghamton 81, UMB 61

Bucknell 69, Colgate 49

Duquesne 73, Dayton 71

Holy Cross 64, American U. 51

Lafayette 70, Lehigh 75

Maine 66, Hartford 52

Pittsburgh 70, Villanova 65

Saint Louis 69, Massachusetts 56

St. Bonaventure 77, La Salle 66

NATION & WORLD

Mixed blessing: Credit card reform may shock some

By Eileen AJ Connelly
Associated Press writer

NEW YORK — Your next credit card statement is going to contain an ugly truth: how much that card really costs to use.

Now, thanks to a long-awaited law that goes into effect today, you'll know that if you pay the minimum on a \$3,000 balance with a 14 percent interest rate, it could take you 10 years to pay off.

"Jaws will drop," said David Robertson, publisher of The Nilson Report, a

newsletter that tracks the industry. "I don't doubt for a nanosecond that it's going to give a lot of people a sinking feeling in their stomachs."

That's not all that will make them queasy.

During the past nine months, credit card companies jacked up interest rates, created new fees and cut credit lines. They also closed down millions of accounts. So a law hailed as the most sweeping piece of consumer legislation in decades has helped make it more difficult for millions of Americans to get credit, and

made that credit more expensive.

It wasn't supposed to be this way. The law that President Obama signed last May shields card users from sudden interest rate hikes, excessive fees and other gimmicks that card companies have used to drive up profits. Consumers will save at least \$10 billion a year from curbs on interest rate increases alone, according to the Pew Charitable Trust, which tracks credit card issues.

But there was a catch. Card companies had nine

months to prepare while certain rules were clarified by the Federal Reserve. They used that time to take actions that ended up hurting the same customers who were supposed to be helped.

Consumer advocates say the law still offers important protections for the users of some 1.4 billion credit cards.

"We expected some rate increases; we expected some annual fees," said Ed Mierzwinski of the U.S. Public Interest Research Group, an advocacy organization that lobbied for the law.

To be sure, the law takes effect while credit card companies are still reeling from the recession.

In 2007, the top 12 card issuers earned a combined \$19 billion from credit cards, according to The Nilson Report. A year later, amid the financial meltdown, profits for those companies fell more than 65 percent to \$6.32 billion. The plunge was largely because defaults ballooned as unemployment soared.

Profit figures for 2009 aren't yet available. But banks wrote off about \$35

billion in credit card debt last year, as the unemployment rate topped 10 percent. Analysts predict the default rate will remain at least twice as high as normal through this year, and longer if unemployment stays high.

At the same time, the law is expected to cut into future profits. FICO Inc., the company best known for its credit scores, projects the average card will generate less than \$100 a month in revenue within three years, down from \$200 a month before the law.

Obama version of health reform expected today

WASHINGTON (AP) — The White House readied its last-ditch effort to salvage health care legislation Sunday while the Senate's Republican leader warned Democrats against the go-it-alone approach.

The White House was expected to post a version of President Obama's plan for overhauling health care on its Web site today, ahead of his critical and daring summit at Blair House on Thursday. The plan, which was likely to be opposed by the GOP, was expected to require most Americans to carry health insurance coverage, with federal subsidies to help many afford the premiums.

Hewing close to a stalled Senate bill, it would bar insurance companies from denying coverage to people with medical problems or charging them more. The expected price tag is around \$1 trillion over 10 years.



AP photo

President Obama speaks Feb. 9 in the White House press briefing room in Washington. Obama has summoned both Democrats and Republicans to a White House summit on health care reform to be broadcast live on C-SPAN and perhaps cable news networks on Thursday.

they are saying, 'Ignore the wishes of the American people. We know more about this than you do. And we're going to jam it down your throats no matter what.' That is why the public is so angry at this Congress and this administration over this issue," said McConnell, R-Ky.

While the House and Senate had passed its own version of a health overhaul, lawmakers had yet to settle their differences and produce a single bill acceptable to both chambers when Brown won.

Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger (R-Calif.) hoped a compromise — "sweet spot," he called it — was possible.

"If you really want to serve the people and not just your party, I think you will find that sweet spot and you can get it done," he said.

Democratic Gov. Ed Rendell of Pennsylvania

appealed to Republicans to offer their own proposals. "You take some of our ideas. We'll take some of your ideas. We may not love your ideas, but we'll take them. If they don't do that, I think this whole dynamic of this political year could turn around," he said.

Rendell and Schwarzenegger spoke from the sidelines of the National Governors Association meeting. Four leaders of the group, two Republicans and two Democrats, later summoned the media to a news conference and offered to strike a compromise between the warring factions in Washington.

"We are making an offer to help and are very willing to roll up our sleeves and help if that's what Congress and the president decided," said Tennessee Gov. Phil Bredesen, a Democrat.

The governors' plea was an

implicit acknowledgment that Obama and the Democratic-led Congress have frozen governors out of the process.

The Blair House meeting takes place nearly a year after Obama launched his drive to remake health care — a Democratic agenda item for decades — at an earlier summit he infused with a bipartisan spirit. The president will point out that Republicans have supported individual elements of the Democratic bills.

Under the expected Obama plan, regulators would create a competitive marketplace for small businesses and people buying their own coverage. The plan would be paid for with a mix of Medicare cuts and tax increases. It would also strip special Medicaid deals for certain states, while moving to close the Medicare prescription coverage gap.

Schwarzenegger: Worst is over for Calif. economy

By Rob Hotakainen
McClatchy Newspapers

WASHINGTON — Despite the state's high unemployment rate, California's economy is making a slow comeback and "the worst is over," Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger said Sunday.

"We've seen that the foreclosure rate has slowed down," the Republican governor said in an appearance on national television. "We've seen that the house sales have picked up. We've seen people are getting back to work, especially in the green sector. So there's signs all over."

Schwarzenegger, who will meet privately with President Obama today, is in Washington for the winter meetings of the National Governors Association. He

made his remarks in an interview broadcast on ABC's "This Week."

The governor said people should be optimistic, but "not overly optimistic" as the economy gets back on track. And he said the state has limited power but should do everything it can "to create jobs, jobs, jobs ... because that is the important thing."

To boost the economy, Schwarzenegger said the federal government should spend \$2.2 trillion on a massive effort to rebuild the nation's infrastructure. He said the nation's economy will suffer without such a rebuilding effort and that it would be a good job-producer as well.

Later in the day, Schwarzenegger was scheduled to attend the annual governors ball at the White House.

Next big combat mission in Afghanistan will target Kandahar

By Saeed Shah
McClatchy Newspapers

KABUL, Afghanistan — The current U.S.-led military operation in Helmand province is a trial run for what could be the decisive clash with the Taliban in Afghanistan this summer in the area that is its spiritual home — Kandahar.

Officials at the U.S.-led International Security Assistance Force say the focus of the coalition will shift from Helmand to Kandahar — the big prize for both the Taliban and the coalition. Kandahar city is home to around 1 million people, while Marja, the target of the massive ongoing offensive in Helmand, is an obscure dusty town of 85,000 inhabitants that had turned

into a Taliban stronghold.

A senior ISAF official, who didn't want to be identified because of the sensitivity of the issue, said: "This moves to Kandahar. That's the next main objective."

Kandahar is Afghanistan's political powerhouse. It was the seat of the former Afghan royal family and the base for Taliban founder Mullah Omar during his movement's reign from the mid-'90s to 2001. President Hamid Karzai's family also comes from Kandahar, where his brother Ahmad Wali Karzai heads the provincial council.

"Kandahar means Afghanistan. If we have a peaceful Kandahar, we will have a peaceful Afghanistan," Tooryalai Wesa, governor of Kandahar province, said.

Portugal floods kill 42, some people feared buried in mud

By Armando Franca and Harold Heckle
Associated press writers

FUNCHAL, Madeira Islands — Rescue workers in Madeira dug through heaps of mud, boulders and debris Sunday, searching for victims buried by floods and mudslides that have killed at least 42 people on the popular Portuguese island.

Residents looking for missing loved ones were directed by local authorities to the resort's international airport, where a makeshift morgue has been set up.

Social services spokesman Francisco Jardim Ramos said not all the bodies had been identified. The center is equipped with psychiatric, psychological and social counseling services, he said.

More than 120 other people were injured and an unknown number were

missing, possibly swept away or smothered, authorities said, adding the death could still rise. Of 248 people who were forced to flee their homes for temporary shelters, 85 have been allowed to return home, Ramos said.

Late Sunday, a spokeswoman for the British Foreign office confirmed that a British national had died, but declined to give further details. The spokeswoman spoke on condition of anonymity in line with department policy.

The Foreign Office also said a small number of Britons had been hospitalized on Madeira. The island is popular with British tourists, who for centuries have regarded wines made in Madeira as a luxury product.

The worst storm to hit Madeira since 1993 lashed the south of the Atlantic Ocean island, including the

capital, Funchal, Saturday, turning some streets into torrents of mud, water and rolling debris.

"We heard a very loud noise, like rolling thunder, the ground shook and then we realized it was water coming down," said Simon Burgbage, of Britain.

Madeira is the main island, with a population of around 250,000, of a Portuguese archipelago of the same name in the Atlantic Ocean just over 300 miles off the west coast of Africa.

The flash floods were so powerful they carved paths down mountains and ripped through the city, churning under some bridges and tearing others down. Residents caught in the torrent clung to railings to avoid being swept away. Cars were tossed about by the force of the water; the battered shells of overturned vehicles littered the streets.



AP photo

A woman and two children look at a wrecked car outside a school Sunday by a road where several cars were carried by floodwaters onto hillside houses on Saturday outside Funchal, the Madeira Island's capital. Rescue workers dug Sunday to free cars and homes buried under heaps of caked mud in Madeira, after flash floods and mudslides killed people on the Portuguese island.

OPINION

QUOTABLE

“It’s not often you get a chance to right an historical wrong.”
— Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors’ Zev Yaroslavsky, after renaming Negrohead Mountain to Ballard Mountain, outside of Malibu, Calif.

EDITORIAL

Redistricting? Why Idaho’s reapportionment system works

Idaho voters got it right in 1994. That’s the year they approved a constitutional amendment to create a bipartisan citizens’ commission to handle legislative and congressional redistricting every 10 years and to remove — as much as is possible — politics from the process.

Now a politician wants to put politics back in. State Rep. Tom Loerschter, R-Iona, introduced a bill Friday that would allow the Legislature to intervene in nasty reapportionment fights if the Idaho Supreme Court is unable to quickly resource disputes over redistricting plans.

No thanks. There are aspects of Idaho politics and government that are dysfunctional, but redrawing district boundaries every decade on the basis of federal census results isn’t. The public trusts the process, elected officials honor it and the “g” word — for gerrymandering — hasn’t been heard in this state for 20 years.

Compare Idaho to Illinois and Louisiana, where politically charged redistricting consistently calls into question the integrity of government.

Loerschter is irritated that the 2001 reapportionment panel started in northern Idaho, meaning that by the time it got to the eastern part of the state the commission of necessity created some pretty funky-looking legislative maps.

His District 31 — which includes Teton, Caribou, Bear Lake and Franklin counties and part of Bonneville County — is odd enough that Loertscher and his colleagues Sen. Bob Geddes, R-Soda Springs, and Rep. Marc Gibbs, R-Grace, have to drive through Wyoming to get from one part of their constituency to another.

They won’t have to wait long for that to change. The reapportionment commission agreed last time that the next panel would start drawing the 2011 legislative map at the Idaho-Wyoming border.

It took a pretty impressive display of political courage on the part of the majority Republicans to put the redistricting commission in place 16 years ago. Unlike today, Democrats were within striking distance of regaining control of the state Senate at the time.

Idaho House Speaker Mike Simpson — now Idaho’s 2nd District congressman — and his Senate counterpart Jerry Twiggs were in a position to scuttle or seriously modify the proposal, but believed the integrity of the process was more important.

Although the GOP has continued to dominate the state’s politics since then, the 2001 restricting put the Democrats back on the map after a disastrous election in 2000.

So on June 1, 2011, three Republicans and three Democrats will sit down and divide the state into 35 legislative districts and two congressional districts, based on the U.S. Constitution’s require of one-person, one-vote.

No member of that commission can be an elected or appointed official. Leaders of the Democrats and Republicans in the state House and Senate appoint one member for a total of four, and the state GOP and Democratic chairmen designate one each.

There is no gubernatorial veto power over whatever plan the commission comes up with.

And that’s exactly how it should be.

We hope the Legislature — and the governor, if this issue gets that far — will protect a redistricting system that’s fair and that works.

Our view: Why in the world would anyone want to reintroduce politics into the process of deciding how Idaho’s legislative and congressional districts are divided?

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

Five myths about the census

Every 10 years, we have to count people. At least that’s what Article 1, Section 2 of the Constitution says. It doesn’t sound too complicated. But it is. Who gets counted, and how, determines not only congressional representation but how funding is distributed for a slew of federal programs that affect all of us. As we prepare to stand and be counted in 2010 — and the U.S. Census Bureau is spending a lot of advertising money to make sure that everyone is — let’s note a few misconceptions about our population and the efforts to tally us up.

1. Immigration is the biggest force behind the nation’s racial and ethnic diversity.

If immigration stopped today, we would still see substantial gains in our minority populations for decades to come.

Recent Census Bureau projections showed that under a “no further immigration” scenario, the minority share of our population would rise from about 35 percent today to 42 percent in 2050. The preschool (under age 5) population would become minority white. The greater minority presence would arise from higher natural-increase rates for minorities than for the aging white population. This momentum is already in place: Since 2000, natural population increase accounted for 62 percent of the growth of Hispanics, the country’s largest minority group, with immigration responsible for the rest.

2. The country is getting uniformly older.

As a baby boomer, I am part of a demographic mob. As we age over the next 20 years, the nation as a whole will see a surge in senior citizens. But different parts of the country will be aging at different rates, largely because selective “younging” is going on. This is evident from census estimates showing that during the first nine years of this decade, 25 states — mostly



William Frey

in the Northeast, Midwest and Great Plains — and Washington, D.C., exhibited absolute declines in their child populations, while 25 others, led by Nevada and Arizona, showed gains.

3. Big states will keep getting bigger — especially in Congress.

For much of the postwar period, the Sunbelt megastates of California, Florida and Texas just kept growing: They led all other states in adding congressional seats based on censuses since World War II. But the economic turbulence of this past decade will affect their political fortunes. Florida was one of the nation’s growth leaders for the first half of the decade and was poised to gain as many as three congressional seats after the 2010 Census, tying or overtaking New York’s congressional delegation. But the mortgage meltdown led to an unprecedented exodus from the state in the past two years. Florida’s likely gain of one seat will be its smallest addition since the 1940 Census.

“If immigration stopped today, we would still see substantial gains in our minority populations for decades to come.”

4. The census is the main source of information about our population.

Not as much as before. Unlike previous censuses, the 2010 count will provide only bare-bones information that does little more than fulfill its constitutional mandate. The questions will include the age, sex, race, Hispanic origin and household relationship status of each individual, and the size and homeownership status of each household.

What happened to all the rich data on poverty, income, ancestry, immigration, marital status and some 30 other categories we have come to expect from the census? Those “long form” questions have been given to a sample of census respondents in every count going back to 1940 — but not this year. The queries have been diverted to the Census Bureau’s American Community Survey.

5. New technology gives us much more demographic data than the census can.

Not true. Technological developments and data collected via the Internet do give us new ways of looking

at the population, and complex surveys and estimates conducted by the Census Bureau and other organizations allow us to monitor change over the decade — but there is no substitute for counting everyone. Aside from the census’ constitutional mandate to provide the basis for congressional apportionment, a national headcount also allows us to know how many people live in the nation’s cities, suburbs and neighborhoods and to break them down according to race, age and gender.

There are plenty of examples of a decennial census surprising the experts. The 2000 Census, for instance, discovered sharp population surges in many old, large cities. This was unanticipated for Chicago, which had experienced decades of decline. And the spread of the nation’s Hispanic population into new states such as North Carolina exceeded expectations.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

High school students acted cowardly

I hope that the majority of the students at the Canyon Ridge High School are more responsible than the three boys I encountered recently in the Walmart parking lot.

Last week, I was sitting in my van waiting for my husband who was in the store. All the sudden, I felt the van get hit by what I thought was another car. I looked up to see a boy with a shopping cart that he had shoved into my car. Two other boys were looking on. When I got out of the car, all three ran away toward the school. I would have expected that by little kids, but not high school age.

The man in the vehicle next to mine saw it happen and jumped into his truck and took off after them. He caught up with one of the boys, who denied being the one that caused it. He gave his name, but wouldn’t give the other two names. The man then went inside the school and reported it to the school police officer. When the police officer came to investigate and get a report,

he informed us that the boy hadn’t given his correct name. The police officer was helpful and is still investigating.

I so appreciated how the man in the truck tried to help me. I was so very disappointed in the three boys who did not stay to take the responsibility for their actions. I now have a dent in my car that I have to pay for because the insurance called it a collision rather than what it was — vandalism.

How cowardly of those boys to run away, rather than admit what they did.

SONIA BACZUK

Twin Falls

Forest Service gaining privatization philosophy

All public land recreationists owe a huge thank you to the Idaho congressional delegation for forcefully coming out in opposition to the horrible anti-democratic U.S. Forest Service’s proposal to eliminate the 50 percent discount for seniors and disabled for national forest campgrounds. Yet this is only the tip of an ugly iceberg.

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It is crucial to note that the Forest Service is caving in to massive pressure from profit-driven campground contractors. They propose handing over yet more campgrounds to concessionaires while also exempting them from honoring Golden Eagle passes — patently illegal.

I strongly urge citizens to quickly e-mail Chief Tom Tidwell and Director of Recreation Jim Bedwell and state in the strongest terms that the entire proposal printed in the Federal Register on Dec. 1, 2009, must be rejected. (ttidwell@fs.fed.us, jbedwell@fs.fed.us)

The top brass of the Forest Service has gone bonkers with a cancerous privatization philosophy for outdoor recreation that is literally stealing your freedoms. Stress to them the

imperative of serving we the people — not the concessionaires and corporate America.

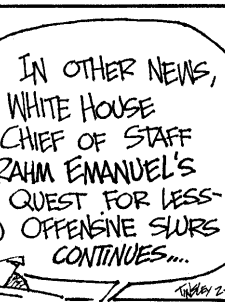
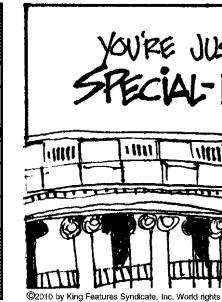
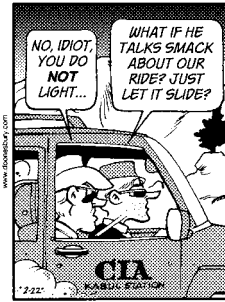
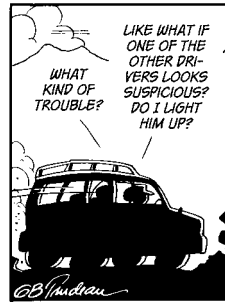
Of huge importance is continuing to stress to Congress that the Federal Lands Recreation Enhancement Act must be repealed. Out-of-control oppressive recreation fees at trailheads, wild rivers and backcountry venues must stop. The USFS cannot cry poor when they just received \$650 million for capital improvement and maintenance in the stimulus bill! The literal future of recreation on the national forests is absolutely at stake. Please become part of the solution.

“The national forests are creatures of democracy, not the Forest Service” (John Freemuth).

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THE LIGHTER SIDE OF POLITICS

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By Garry Trudeau

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Stimulus money and science: Benefit or boondoggle?

By Robert Nolin and John Maines
Sun Sentinel

FORT LAUDERDALE, Fla. — Tipsy mice and sexed-up cactus bugs have been enlisted to help in America's economic recovery. But will they do much to boost employment?

The critters are the stars of two seemingly flaky projects among several at Florida universities being funded by hundreds of thousands of federal stimulus dollars. The projects, whose usefulness is keenly debated by America's politicians, are also a subject of dispute among academics: Are they scientifically worthy? Is the stimulus cash wisely spent?

No, says Nova Southeastern University economics

professor Albert Williams. "There is no guarantee that these quirky projects will in fact create jobs," he said. "They can create one or two little jobs."

Yes, counters fellow academic Charles Zelden, an NSU history professor. Money plowed into research is just as stimulating to the economy as money spent on, say, repaving roads, Zelden said.

"Dollar for dollar, it's the same thing: You give money to people who will spend it in the economy," he said.

The rodent study at Florida Atlantic University in Boca Raton used \$15,551 in stimulus funds to pay for two summer researchers to help gauge how alcohol affects a mouse's motor functions.

The cactus bug project at the University of Florida is more ambitious, spending \$325,394 in stimulus money to determine how environment affects the mating decisions of females. According to the project proposal, it should also answer the question, "Whether males with large weapons are more or less attractive to females."

That project has led to one new hire: a research technician.

In macro terms, the stimulus plan is said by the Obama administration to have staved off a serious depression. Since funding from the stimulus spigot began flowing in February 2009, the nation's unemployment rate has gone from 10 percent to 9.7 percent.

That still means 14.8 million Americans are jobless, however.

Other examples of how some of the \$787 billion stimulus windfall has been spent on scientific research in Florida:

- \$934,498 to UF for high-tech equipment to study the DNA of lice to "explore patterns of human evolution, human migration across the globe and human demography;"
- \$59,845 to Florida International University for graduate students to analyze an explosion of lawsuits in 17th century Peru and Mexico.
- \$80,000 to Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University in Daytona Beach so students could conduct an experiment worthy of Luke Skywalker: using a Laser Interferometer Gravitational-Wave Observatory "with the goal of detecting tiny perturbations in the geometry of space-time"

Some of the research projects being bankrolled "may seem a little silly," said Doug Emery, chairman of the finance department at the University of Miami. Yet, "the fact that the government would make some investment in this type of research is probably a good thing," he said.

That is because fundamental research can yield unexpected results, Emery said. The cactus bug study, for example, could uncover a hormone in the insect that may aid medicine.

"One kind of research is just basic research," Emery said. "You do things that aren't necessarily commercially viable, but are going to have commercial possibilities down the road."

Williams, the NSU economics professor, disagreed that all stimulus money being spent will help jump-start the economy. Public investment has a bigger bang if plowed into large infrastructure projects like highways, railroads or water systems, which is where more than 60 percent of the stimulus funds are going, he said.

Though the economics professor said some of the stimulus money could be better spent, he still appreciates the value of unconventional research.

AROUND THE WORLD

AFGHANISTAN Taliban fighters are mounting tougher fight than expected

MARJAH — Outnumbered and outgunned, Taliban fighters are mounting a tougher fight than expected in Marjah, Afghan officials said Sunday, as U.S.-led forces converged on a pocket of militants in a western section of the town.

Despite ongoing fighting, the newly appointed civilian chief for Marjah said he plans to fly into the town Monday for the first time since the attack to begin restoring Afghan government control and winning over the population after years of Taliban rule.

With fighter jets, drones and attack helicopters roaring overhead, Marine and Afghan companies advanced Sunday on a 2-square-mile area where more than 40 insurgents were believed holed up.

"They are squeezed," said Lt. Col. Brian Christmas, commander of 3rd Battalion, 6th Marine Regiment. "It looks like they want to stay and fight but they can always drop their weapons and slip away. That's the nature of this war."

U.S. officials signaled their intention to attack Marjah, a major Taliban supply and opium-smuggling center, months ago, apparently in hopes the insurgents would flee and allow the U.S.-led force to take over quickly and restore an Afghan government presence.

I S R A E L Israel unveils new drone fleet that can fly as far as Iran

TEL NOF AIR FORCE BASE — Israel's air force on Sunday introduced a fleet of huge pilotless planes that can remain in the air for a full day and could fly as far as the Persian Gulf, putting rival Iran within its range.

The Heron TP drones have a wingspan of 86 feet, making them the size of Boeing 737 passenger jets and the largest unmanned aircraft in Israel's military. The planes can fly at least 20 consecutive hours and are primarily used for surveillance and carrying diverse payloads.

At the fleet's inauguration ceremony at an air base in central Israel, the drone dwarfed an F-15 fighter jet parked beside it. The unmanned plane resembles its predecessor, the Heron, but can fly higher, reaching an altitude of more than 40,000 feet, and remain in the air longer.

"With the inauguration of the Heron TP, we are realizing the air force's dream," said Brig. Gen. Amikam Norkin, commander of the base that will operate the drones.

T E X A S Federal authorities charge 2 suspects in 5 Texas church fires

TYLER — Federal authorities say they have charged two suspects in a series of church fires in Texas.

Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives spokesman Tom Crowley says 19-year-old Jason Robert Bourque and 21-year-old Daniel George McAllister have been charged Sunday with five counts of felony arson in connection with fires at churches in Smith County, east Texas.

Authorities believe at least 11 blazes at churches in Texas since the start of the year have been set intentionally.

Crowley says he has no information on attorneys for the suspects.

F L O R I D A Train kills 3 teen girls crossing Florida bridge

MELBOURNE — Three teenage girls were joking around and taking pictures on a narrow bridge when they were hit by a train, killing them as a friend watched helplessly, police and a witness said Sunday.

The girls and the fourth teenager, a boy, had been hanging out in Melbourne's downtown area — known for its shops and nightclubs — when they decided to cross the trestle around 6:30 p.m. Saturday, Lt. Curtis Barger said. Their parents had dropped them off at a mall, and then they took a bus downtown where they were "just goofing off," he said.

The boy yelled for the girls to run when he saw the train approach, then told them to jump, Barger said. Crane Creek, about 20 feet below the bridge, is slow-moving and about 10 feet deep. The girls did not have enough time.

Bruce Dumas, 53, said he was fishing under the bridge when he saw the teens walk onto the trestle around sunset. He warned them to be careful, but he said they didn't pay much attention to him.

N E P A L Nepalese man seeks title of the world's shortest man

KATMANDU — A man who is only 22 inches tall left his home country of Nepal on Sunday in a quest to be recognized as the world's shortest man. Khagendra Thapa Magar is traveling to Europe to campaign for the Guinness World Record title. He applied to the London-based group for a place in the record book in October, soon after turning 18, but said he has not received any response.

Magar's family initially filed a claim when he was 14, but it was rejected because he was not an adult and there was a chance he might grow.

They say doctors in Nepal have not been able to explain why Magar is so small.

"We are going to Italy to try to record his name in the Guinness Book of World Records," his father, Rup Bahadur Thapa Magar, said.

—The Associated Press

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Study: Warming to bring stronger hurricanes

By Seth Borenstein
Associated Press writer

WASHINGTON — Top researchers now agree the world is likely to get stronger but fewer hurricanes in the future because of global warming, seeming to settle a scientific debate on the subject.

But they say there's not enough evidence yet to tell whether that effect has already begun.

Since just before Hurricane Katrina hit Louisiana and Mississippi in 2005, dueling scientific papers have clashed about whether global warming is worsening hurricanes and will do so in the future. The new study seems to split the difference. A special World Meteorological Organization panel of 10 experts in both hurricanes and climate change — including leading scientists from both sides — came up with a consensus, which is published online Sunday in the journal Nature Geoscience.

"We've really come a long way in the last two years about our knowledge of the hurricane and climate issue," said study co-author Chris Landsea, a National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration top hurricane researcher. The technical term for these storms are tropical cyclones; in the Atlantic they get called hurricanes, elsewhere typhoons.



AP photo
A man stands inside a house destroyed by category 4 Hurricane Ike on Sept. 8, 2008, on the island of Grand Turk in the Turks and Caicos Islands. Researchers now agree the world is likely to get stronger but fewer hurricanes in the future because of global warming, seeming to settle a scientific debate on the subject.

The study offers projections for tropical cyclones worldwide by the end of this century, and some experts said the bad news outweighs the good. Overall strength of storms as measured in wind speed would rise by 2 to 11 percent, but there would be between 6 and 34 percent fewer storms in number. Essentially, there would be fewer weak and moderate storms and more of the big damaging ones, which also are projected to be stronger

due to warming.

An 11 percent increase in wind speed translates to roughly a 60 percent increase in damage, said study co-author Kerry Emanuel, a professor of meteorology at MIT.

The storms also would carry more rain, another indicator of damage, said lead author Tom Knutson, a research meteorologist at NOAA.

Knutson said the new study, which looks at world-

wide projections, doesn't make clear whether global warming will lead to more or less hurricane damage on balance. But he pointed to a study he co-authored last month that looked at just the Atlantic hurricane basin and predicted global warming would trigger a 28 percent increase in damage near the U.S. despite fewer storms.

That study suggests category 4 and 5 Atlantic hurricanes — those with winds more than 130 mph — would nearly double by the end of the century. On average, a category 4 or stronger hurricane hits the United States about once every seven years, mostly in Florida or Texas. Recent category 4 or 5 storms include 2004's Charley and 1992's Andrew, but not Katrina which made landfall as a strong category 3.

Outside experts praised the work.

The study does a good job of summarizing the current understanding of storms and warming, said Chunzai Wang, a researcher with NOAA who had no role in the study.

James Lee Witt, former director of the Federal Emergency Management Agency, said the study "should be a stern and stark warning that America needs to be better prepared and protected from the devastation that these kinds of hurricanes produce."

Lawmakers to press military on fate of gay ban

By Anne Flaherty
Associated press writer

WASHINGTON — Lawmakers this week will press the military's top uniformed officers for the first time on whether they think repealing "don't ask, don't tell" makes sense or would be too disruptive.

The testimony from each of the service chiefs on Capitol Hill will be crucial to the debate in Congress on whether to repeal the 17-year-old law, which bans gays from serving openly in the military.

President Obama says the policy unfairly punishes patriots who want to serve their country. Defense Secretary Robert Gates

agrees and has begun a year-long study on how to mitigate the impact of lifting the ban.

Providing much-needed political cover is the chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, Adm. Mike Mullen, who has said he thinks the law unfairly forces gay troops to compromise their integrity by lying about who they are.

But lawmakers, who are divided on whether to end the ban, say they want to hear from the service chiefs. They are the ones who would be in charge of putting any changes in place and responding to any fallout.

"The armed forces have always placed military effec-

tiveness above individual needs," said Rep. Gene Taylor, a conservative Democrat from Mississippi who says he is unconvinced that the ban should be lifted.

"This is one of the core concepts that has made the U.S. military one of the most effective combat forces in history," he said.

While Mullen says he believes the ban should be lifted, he has said he can't speak for the service chiefs other than to say they support Gates' yearlong assessment.

The service chiefs are scheduled to testify separately throughout the week, with the Army's Gen. George Casey and the Air Force's Gen. Norton Schwartz going first on Tuesday. Marine Corps Commandant Gen. James Conway, who is said to oppose changes to the policy, will testify on Wednesday.

"We believe that any implementation plan for a policy permitting gays and lesbians to serve openly in the armed forces must be carefully derived, sufficiently thorough and thoughtfully executed," Mullen told a Senate panel last month.

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Darcy William ‘Bud’ Nelson

RUPERT — On Feb. 19, 2010, at the age of 89, Darcy William “Bud” Nelson, with family at his side, passed away peacefully in his sleep and returned to the side of his loving wife, Norah.

He was born Aug. 13, 1920, in Rupert to William C. Nelson and May Fenton Nelson. Darcy grew up in Rupert and graduated from Rupert High School in 1937. He attended the University of Idaho until he enlisted in the Army Air Corps in 1940. He served in the 8th Air Force during WWII where he was stationed in Ipswich, England, meeting the love of his life and future bride, Norah Beech. They were wed in September 1944, and after the war they returned to Rupert, where they were blessed with five children: Gus, William D. “Bill”, Douglas, Theresa and Darcy Jr.

Darcy and Norah returned to Idaho where they ran the family farm and raised their children. Darcy also worked for ASCS, and then Amalgamated Sugar Company where he started out as a boilerhouse helper, eventually retiring as a boilerhouse operator in 1986. He was a member of the Catholic church and the Knights of Columbus. Darcy enjoyed fishing and being in the outdoors, but he was



happiest sitting at the card table with friends or family enjoying a good game of Pinochle.

Darcy was preceded in death by his parents, William and May; his wife Norah, and his two sons, Douglas and Darcy Jr. He is survived by his son Gus (Donna) Nelson, his son William “Bill”, his daughter Theresa Nelson (Eric) and daughter-in-law Paula Nelson, wife of Douglas, as well as his two sisters, Annabelle (John) Wendt and Grace (Glen) Kendall. Darcy is also survived by 16 grandchildren, 30 great-grandchildren and 2 great-great-grandchildren, and extended family Leland Lee, Richard Lee and Sharon Bronson.

Funeral Mass will be held at 11 a.m. Thursday, Feb. 25, 2010, at St. Nicholas Catholic Church with Father Justin Brady as Celebrant. Friends may call Wednesday evening from 6-8 p.m. with a Vigil at 7 p.m. at Hansen Mortuary in Rupert and one hour prior to the service at the church on Thursday.

Zan Aslett

WENDELL — Zan Aslett of Wendell, 81, passed away at his home on Saturday, Feb. 20, 2010, with his family by his side.

He was born in Burley to Theo and Edith Aslett. He never attended any one school for long, because his family was in the road construction business and they moved frequently.

He was a veteran of World War II. At the ripe age of 17, he and his brother Wendel ran off and joined the Merchant Marines. When he came back he joined the family business. For 55 years he left tracks across the Northwest, building roads, mining, land-leveling and trucking for Garrett Freightlines.

Zan had several passions. His greatest was his family, his wife, Elsie, and his children. His second love was his Cessna airplane, Alfalfa; if he was working, he was flying. Elsie and Zan belonged to the Snake River Bush Pilots and the Gooding Airport Flyers Association. He was proud of his Safe Flying Award for 25 years of accident-free flying. He loved to restore vintage vehicles. His pride and joy was a 1940 Packard, winning top awards at every car show they attended. He also restored a



military jeep and was a member of the Jeep Preservation Club of Magic Valley. When it came time to trade his wings in, he got a BMW motorcycle.

Finally, he enjoyed his outings with the early morning breakfast club. He also served on the Wendell Housing Board.

He is survived by his soul mate, Elsie, and eight children: daughters Zandra Edwards (Frank), Shari Hart (Gordon), Melanie Morgan (Frank) and Marcy Paul (Russell) and sons Dennis (Jody), Richard (Clara), Zan (Cindy) and Cris Dickerson (Kristy). Also, brothers Wendel (Ella) and Ronald (Millie), 26 grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren. He is preceded in death by his parents and son Danny.

He was loved by all those who knew him and will be missed.

A special thank you to Dr. Lohmann Becky and staff at St. Benedicts Family Medical Center.

Memorial services will be held at 2 p.m. on Wednesday, Feb. 24, 2010, at Demaray Funeral Service Wendell Chapel, 164 East Main Street in Wendell. Services are under the direction of Demaray Funeral Service Wendell Chapel.

SERVICES

Imogene Helsley of Dietrich, funeral at 10 a.m. today at the Shoshone Assembly of God Church, 118 W. Fourth St.; burial at 1 p.m. today at the West End Cemetery in Buhl; visitation one hour before the service today at the church (Demaray Funeral Service, Shoshone Chapel).

Ervin W. Hoagland of King Hill, memorial service at 11 a.m. today at the Glenss Ferry VFW Hall (Rost Funeral Home, McMurtrey Chapel in Mountain Home).

Lois Irene Lewis “Maga,” of Rupert, open house from 1 to 4 p.m. today at the home of her daughter, Pamela Kennedy, 375 S. 200 W. in Rupert (Morrison Funeral Home and Crematory in Rupert).

Robert Howard “Bob” Morgan of Evanston, Wyo., and formerly of Jerome, funeral at 10:30 a.m. Tuesday at Farnsworth Mortuary, 1343 S. Lincoln in Jerome; graveside service at 3 p.m. Tuesday in the Idaho State Veterans Cemetery, 10100 N. Horseshoe Bend Road in Boise.

Father Dominic Kenneth Daws of Jerome, funeral at 11

a.m. Wednesday at St. Edward’s Catholic Church in Twin Falls; vigil service with rosary at 7 p.m. Tuesday at the church; graveside service at 3 p.m. Wednesday at the Shoshone Cemetery in Shoshone.

June E. Curran of Westminster, Colo., funeral at 10:30 a.m. Thursday at St. Catherine’s Catholic Church in Hagerman; rosary at 5 p.m. Wednesday at Demaray Funeral Service, Gooding Chapel.

Alice A. Sammons Anderton of Hagerman, funeral at 11 a.m. Saturday at the United Methodist Church in Wendell; burial at 3 p.m. at Sunset Memorial Park in Twin Falls (Demaray Funeral Service, Gooding Chapel).

Peggy Osborn Hoogendoorn, formerly of Jerome, celebration of life at 11:30 a.m. Saturday at Valley Life Community Church, 6325 N. Locust Grove Road in Meridian.

Researchers say most ‘test tube’ kids are healthy

By **Randolph E. Schmid**
Associated Press writer

SAN DIEGO — More than 30 years after the world greeted its first “test-tube” baby with a mixture of awe, elation and concern, researchers say they are finding only a few medical differences between these children and kids conceived in the traditional way.

More than 3 million children have been born worldwide as a result of what is called assisted reproductive technology, and injecting sperm into the egg outside the human body now accounts for about 4 percent of live births, researchers reported Sunday at the annual meeting of the American Association for the Advancement of Science.

The majority of assisted reproduction children are healthy and normal, according to researchers who have studied them. Some of these children do face an increased risk of birth defects, such as neural tube defects, and of low birth weight, which is asso-

“Overall, these children do well. It is a reassuring message, but we must continue to follow up.”

— **Andre Van Steirteghem of the Brussels Free University Center for Reproductive Medicine in Belgium**

ciated with obesity, hypertension and Type 2 diabetes later in life, the researchers said.

“Overall, these children do well,” said Andre Van Steirteghem of the Brussels Free University Center for Reproductive Medicine in Belgium. “It is a reassuring message, but we must continue to follow up.”

Carmen Sapienza, a geneticist at Temple University School of Medicine in Philadelphia, noted that few of these test tube children are older than 30, so it’s not known if they will be obese or have hypertension or other health problems at age 50 or older.

Sapienza said researchers found differences in 5 percent to 10 percent of chromosomes between assisted reproduction children and other kids.

What’s not clear is

whether these differences result in some way from assisted reproduction techniques or if they stem from other factors, perhaps ones that caused the couple’s infertility in the first place.

Only a small fraction of the assisted reproduction children were outside the normal range of gene expression, Sapienza reported. “However, because some of the genes found to be affected are involved in the development of fat tissue and the metabolism of glucose, it will be interesting to monitor these children long term to determine whether they have higher rates of obesity or diabetes.”

“There are genetic causes of infertility that you can bypass now,” Van Steirteghem said. “But this may mean that the next generation will be infertile,

and that is something that all clinics should mention.”

One factor in low birth weight may be that in many cases assisted fertility results in multiple births, which tend to be early and of lower weight.

“We must reduce the epidemic of multiple births,” Van Steirteghem said, noting that in Sweden the rate had been cut from around 30 percent in the early 1990s to about 5 percent today.

In the United States, the Society for Assisted Reproductive Technology reported that the use of single-embryo transfers is increasing, and the frequency of triplet births is down to below 2 percent.

Sapienza noted that women seeking assisted reproduction tend to be older than those who conceive naturally, but said that had been controlled for in the studies comparing the two groups of children.

Dolores J. Lamb of the Baylor College of Medicine in Houston urged more testing of males for the reason for infertility.

EMI says Abbey Road Studios won’t be sold

By **Simon Packard**
Bloomberg News

LONDON — EMI Group said Abbey Road Studios, where the Beatles recorded their last album, is not for sale and may benefit from plans under discussion to revive it.

EMI, which was acquired in 2007 by private equity firm Terra Firma Capital Partners, rejected an offer of more than \$46 million last year for the studios in the

affluent St. John’s Wood area of northwest London, the company said in an e-mailed statement.

“We believe that Abbey Road should remain in EMI’s ownership,” the company said in the statement. It said it has been in talks with “interested and appropriate third parties” since mid-November to help revitalize the unprofitable studios. The plans require a “substantial injection of new capital,” it added.

Media reports that Abbey Road would be sold outright to reduce EMI’s debt sparked a public campaign to keep the studios in public hands, prompting The National Trust charity to indicate that it would consider getting involved. English Heritage recommended in 2003 that Abbey Road should be protected as the world’s earliest purpose-built recording studios.

“EMI welcomes the

reported acceleration of English Heritage’s plans to list Abbey Road and supports such a listing as an appropriate way of protecting our world-famous music heritage site,” the company said in today’s statement.

Abbey Road gained its fame from the Beatles’ album of the same name, the cover of which pictured John, Paul, Ringo and George on the crosswalk outside the studio.

Designer of Arecibo radio telescope dies at 92

(MCT) — Bill Gordon, who designed a massive radio telescope in Arecibo, Puerto Rico, arranged funding, shepherded it through construction and was its first director, died Tuesday of natural causes in Ithaca, N.Y. He was 92.

Non-astronomers might not be familiar with the name of the Arecibo Observatory, but film buffs will recognize the massive dish, sunk in a limestone sinkhole in the picturesque hills of the island country and featured in the 1997 film “Contact” and the 1995 James Bond film “GoldenEye.”

Completed in 1963, the

telescope has played a major part in a number of scientific discoveries. It was the first to detect ice on Mercury, deep in craters on the poles of the solar system’s hottest planet, and accurately measured the planet’s rotational period. It has long been used to study radio pulsars, rapidly rotating neutron stars.

In 1974, astrophysicists Russell A. Hulse and Joseph H. Taylor Jr. used it to discover the first binary pulsar, a feat that led to a new understanding of gravita-



Gordon

tion and won them the 1993 Nobel Prize in physics. In 1990, it was used in the first discovery of planets outside our solar system, circling a pulsar in the constellation Virgo.

Gordon was not originally interested in using the telescope for astronomy. His goal was probing the atmosphere at an altitude of 1,000 to 2,000 miles, where “weather” conditions might affect the flight of missiles and satellites. He hoped to observe the behavior of clouds of electrons, which are a measure

of temperature.

But to make such measurements, he calculated he needed a dish 1,000 feet across. The largest radio telescope at the time was only 150 feet across and the largest optical telescope only 100 inches.

William Edwin Gordon was born Jan. 8, 1918, in Paterson, N.J.

He completed his doctorate in engineering at Cornell University, where he became a faculty member.

In 1966, he moved to Rice University, where he served as professor, dean, provost and vice president, retiring in 1985.

DEATH NOTICES

Evelyn Dunn

RUPERT — Evelyn Dunn, 97, of Rupert, died Sunday, Feb. 21, 2010, at Wynwood Assisted Living in Twin Falls.

The funeral is pending and will be announced by Rasmussen Funeral Home of Burley.

Fred L. Graffee

BUHL — Fred L. Graffee, 37, of Buhl, passed away Thursday, Feb. 18, 2010.

A viewing will be 4 to 7 p.m., Thursday, Feb. 25, at Farmer Funeral Chapel in Buhl. The funeral service will be 11 a.m., Friday, Feb. 26, at the Buhl First Christian Church.

Robert L. Hoobler

FILER — Robert L. Hoobler, 84, of Filer, died Sunday, Feb. 21, 2010, at his home.

Services are pending White Mortuary “Chapel by the Park.”

Dean W. Hahn

BUHL — Dean W. Hahn, 77, of Buhl, passed away Saturday, Feb. 20, 2010, at his home in Buhl.

Funeral arrangements are under the direction of Farmer Funeral Chapel in Buhl.

Margaret Kulhanek

BURLEY — Margaret Ella Kulhanek, 83, of Burley, died Saturday, Feb. 20, 2010, at Cassia Regional Medical Center.

The funeral is pending and will be announced by Rasmussen Funeral Home of Burley.

Elida F. Pena

Elida F. Pena, 52, of Twin Falls, died Sunday, Feb. 21, 2010, at a local hospital.

Services are pending at White Mortuary “Chapel by the Park.”

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MUSCLES

and Music

Class choreographs lifting to songs

By Melissa Davlin
Times-News writer

Upbeat pop music pounded through the speakers, and students in the packed class moved together. But this wasn't an ordinary aerobics class. The students were participating in Gold's Gym's new "Body Pump" class, which aims to strengthen and tone participants with choreographed weight lifting.



Cathy Ehlers of Twin Falls steadily works through sit-ups Tuesday.

"Body Pump" was developed by New Zealand businessman and former athlete Les Mills, along with seven other strengthening classes. To get certified to teach the class, Gold's Gym trainer Jan Lobb took dozens of hours of training. Other weight classes for toning and strengthening exist in the area, including "Power Pump" and "Y Weight" at YMCA of Twin Falls and "Group Power" at Impact Athletic in Burley. "Body Pump" is Magic Valley's only Les Mills class, however, and stands out

in that the moves and lifts are choreographed to music. As the music plays, participants lift at different speeds. The lift of a bench press might drag out for four counts of music or last for just one. The varying speeds work muscles differently; slow moves strengthen and tone, while fast moves burn calories. A typical class starts with a warm-up, then moves through leg, chest, back, tricep, bicep and shoulder exercises. Each group of muscles gets a dedicated song, and as with any class, the instructor leads everyone through the moves. The class uses barbells, weight plates, free weights and aerobic steps to tone and build muscle. Throughout the

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Photos by MEAGAN THOMPSON/Times-News
Say hello to your friendly weight-training instructor Kip Perkins. Perkins feels the burn as he leads a 'Body Pump' class Tuesday evening at Gold's Gym in Twin Falls.



Jane Leonard lets out a sigh of relief after a set of lifting repetitions Tuesday evening in a Twin Falls weight-training class. It was Leonard's second time attending the popular Gold's Gym class, stuffed wall to wall with people.



Jeff Wallis of Kimberly works through a set of repetitions. 'Pain is just weakness leaving the body,' Wallis shouted out after one particularly trying set.

From big to 'Biggest Loser' and back again

By Katy Moeller
McClatchy Newspapers

BOISE — Over lunch on a recent weekday afternoon, Mandi Kramer nibbled on a veggie-laden salad at Chicago Connection and talked about her ongoing struggle to keep off the weight she lost while on the popular NBC reality TV show "The Biggest Loser." After regaining more than half of what she lost, she's rededicating herself to living a healthy lifestyle. "Every day is a new day to start with

the tools I learned on the show," she told The Idaho Statesman. She takes part in a Fit Club Bootcamp and is working out three days a week at the Body Renew gym in Boise. She watches what she eats — choosing less-caloric versions of her favorite foods. For now, it's skim milk, low-fat mozzarella and SmartBalance butter and about 1,200 calories a day. She's also given up alcoholic beverages for a while. "The Biggest Loser" has given her extra motivation to get back on track because the show will be in Boise in

March to shoot an update on her progress. The show gave her a heads-up in November. The 32-year-old Boisean and her sister, Aubrey Cheney, 30, of Gooding, were on Season 7 of "The Biggest Loser" during 2008-09. The show is a rigorous weight-loss competition in which participants compete to lose the highest percentage of body weight — in hopes of not only changing their lives but winning the grand prize of \$250,000.

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Times-News file photo
'Biggest Loser' television show contestant Aubrey Cheney of Gooding speaks at a local weight-loss contest finale July 11 in Twin Falls.

To do for You

Breast cancer support ‘Baby and Me’

Breast Cancer Support Group, 7 p.m. today, in the reception area at St. Luke’s Mountain States Tumor Institute Cancer Center, 656 Addison Ave. W. in Twin Falls. Open to breast cancer survivors (male or female) and their families and friends.

Topic: “Can I trust my body again after a cancer diagnosis?”

Free; Lydia at 933-4053 or Mary at 734-1766.

Celiac support

Celiac Support Group of Magic Valley meeting, 6 p.m. Tuesday, in the doctors’ meeting room at St. Luke’s Magic Valley Medical Center, 656 Addison Ave. W. in Twin Falls.

Anyone interested in a gluten-free diet is welcome. Free. Pat, 731-9079.

About C-sections

Caesarean childbirth class, 6:30-9 p.m. Tuesday, in the lobby at St. Luke’s downtown campus, 660 Shoshone St. E. in Twin Falls.

Topics: Caesarean deliveries, pain management, non-conforming labors and hospital procedures.

Free. Preregistration required; “Call St. Luke’s” class referral service, 737-2998.

St. Benedicts Family Medical Center’s “Baby and Me” classes, 11 a.m. to noon Tuesdays, at Jerome Public Library, 101 First Ave. E.

This week’s topic: got the blues? The session is educational support for parents and babies. A baby scale is available each week.

Free; 324-6133.

About C-sections

Caesarean class of St. Benedicts’ prepared childbirth series, 7-9:30 p.m. Wednesday, at St. Benedicts, 709 N. Lincoln in Jerome.

Topics: Caesarean birth, pain management, hospital procedures and non-conforming labors. The class is offered separately, or as part of the childbirth series. Mothers may enroll even if their babies will be born at a different hospital.

Cost is \$5. Register: 324-6133.

Mental health support

Mental Health Support Group, 5:30-7 p.m. Thursdays, at Family Health Services/Behavioral Health, 1102 Eastland Drive N. in Twin Falls.

Open to individuals in Magic Valley with a mental health diagnosis.

Free; 734-1281.

Infant safety and CPR

Infant safety and car-

diopulmonary resuscitation, 6:30-9 p.m. Thursday, in the lobby of St. Luke’s downtown campus, 660 Shoshone St. E. in Twin Falls.

New parents, grandparents and caregivers learn CPR and what to do if a baby chokes.

No registration required; free; 737-2998.

Learn CPR

“Heartsaver Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation and First Aid” class, 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, in the Sage Room at St. Luke’s Education Center, 588 Addison Ave. W. in Twin Falls.

Classroom and hands-on practice for infant, child and adult CPR, including mouth-to-mouth and mouth-to-mask resuscitation, chest compression, choking and automated external defibrillators.

Cost is \$67. Pre-registration required; “Call St. Luke’s” class referral service, 737-2998.

Health care provider CPR

American Red Cross is offering the course “Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation for the Professional Rescuer and Health Care Provider,” 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday at 253 Fourth Ave. N. in Twin Falls.

Cost is \$55. Preregister: 800-853-2570, ext. 302, or redcrossidaho.org.

Diabetes screenings

Magic Valley Diabetes Coalition is offering “Head to Toe” clinics in March at five locations for people with diabetes. Free eye screenings, foot exams, dental screenings, blood pressure checks and hemoglobin

alc tests are available. Appointments are required.

The clinics take place at:

- **Fairfield:** 9:30-11:30 a.m. March 2, Camas County Senior Center, 329 W. Willow St.
- **Bellevue:** 1:30-3:30 p.m. March 2, South Central Public Health District, 117 E. Ash St.
- **Rupert:** 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. March 4, health district office, 1218 Ninth St., Suite 15.
- **Twin Falls:** 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. March 5, health district office, 1020 Washington St. N.
- **Jerome:** 3-7 p.m. March 23, Fifth Avenue Clinic, 115 W. Fifth Ave.

Clinics are open to people with diabetes who are newly diagnosed, have no insurance, have insurance with a high deductible, or have never received any of the offered services.

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and the Idaho Diabetes Prevention and Control Program recommend people with diabetes receive a dilated eye screening, neu-rosensory foot examination and hemoglobin alc test at least once a year, according to a news release from South Central Public Health.

To schedule appointments for clinics in Fairfield, Bellevue, Rupert or Twin Falls, or for information on diabetes: 737-5946.

Appointments for the Jerome clinic: 324-5286, ext. 3389.

“To do for you” is a listing of health-related activities, events and education. Submit information by Thursday for publication in the following Monday’s Healthy & Fit section: ramona@magicvalley.com



The well-stocked medicine chest

By Melissa Bell
The Washington Post

That old Boy Scout saw applies to the medicine chest: Be prepared. Clean out expired medicine and stock up on supplies that cover common illnesses and injuries.

“Anything more than that, go to the emergency room,” said Dave Toth, a pharmacist at Tschiffely Pharmacy in Washington. We asked Toth and other experts to tell us the basics we should all keep at home.

NEOSPORIN

It accelerates the healing of wounds, soothes burns and lessens the likelihood of scarring.

BANDAGES

Non-stick gauze pads and Band-Aids of various sizes. “If you’re an athlete and get into trouble with minor accidents and sprains, keep Ace band-ages,” said Jehan “Gigi” El-Bayoumi, an internist at the George Washington University School of Medicine.

HYDROGEN PEROXIDE

Although rubbing alcohol can also be used to disinfect wounds, Alicia Arbaje, a geriatrician at Johns Hopkins School of Medicine, prefers hydrogen peroxide, as it can be used to rinse your mouth to heal canker sores or to soothe a sore throat.

BENADRYL

“This is only if someone is stung by a bee, or they are allergic to seafood and break out in hives,” said Arbaje, but it should not be taken regularly as a solution for daily allergies, especially if you’re elderly. (If you have a young child, make sure to also stock up on the children’s version of Benadryl, as well as other pain relievers and first-aid supplies.)

TYLENOL

For pain relief or fever, Arbaje recommends Tylenol, or the generic brand of acetaminophen. “Always buy generic and not brand name,” El-Bayoumi said. “If you look at the label it’s the same thing,” but you pay a premium for the brand name.

ASPIRIN

Products with aspirin can cause ulcers or kidney failures and should never be given to children. “However, if anyone has diabetes, stroke or heart disease, they should keep aspirin further back in the medicine cabinet. If they start to feel symptoms related to a heart attack, they should take the aspirin,” said Arbaje. If you want to keep a medicine around for anti-inflammation, El-Bayoumi said products with aspirin, ibuprofen and naproxen all generally work the same and it is

MEDICINES: STAY OUT OF THE BATHROOM

For nosy guests, a medicine cabinet is the holy grail of snooping. But some experts advise *not* storing medicine there. “There is too much moisture and too much light,” said D.C. pharmacist Dave Toth. Instead, fill a drawer with basic medicines and first-aid supplies. Even closets can be too cold and can damage the adhesives in bandages, as well as diminish a medicine’s effectiveness.

“Stick it in your sock drawer, your underwear drawer,” Toth said, to avoid damage as well as thwart nosy guests. “Though,” he added, “there are deviant people out there who would go through an underwear drawer.”

really just a personal preference as to which one to take.

THERMOMETER

Toth recommends mercury-free glass thermometers: “I don’t like the digital ones. The batteries are either dead or it beeps too soon.”

ROBITUSSIN

Robitussin or its generic name, guaifenesin, a mild cough suppressant, can help people feel more comfortable during a nasty cold. El-Bayoumi said people should go for the most basic form of the medicine, and stay away from “multi-system cold and medicine concoctions” as “people end up taking things they don’t need.” If symptoms persist, they should head to the doctor, not try to take more medicine to combat the illness.

NETI POT

Nasal saline spray helps moisturize the nasal passages, but Arbaje likes to keep a Neti Pot on hand. The teapot-shaped vessel pours hot water through the sinuses and keeps your nose clean when you have allergies or a cold.

VICKS VAPORUB

Arbaje suggests storing the mentholated Vicks VapoRub to spread on the chest because it helps open up air passages during a bad cold.

PLAN B

The morning-after pill may not be a must-have for every family, but El-Bayoumi said, “for women who are sexually active, even if they’re married, it probably wouldn’t hurt to have Plan B.”

Loser

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Kramer, who is 5-foot-8, worked mightily over several months at “The Biggest Loser” ranch and at home to shed 98 pounds by the show’s May finale.

She ran Boise’s grueling 13.1-mile Race to Robie Creek in April and got down to 171 pounds, about what she weighed in high school when she was a three-sport athlete at Meridian High.

Weight came off, but came back faster

But she didn’t get to enjoy her leaner, lighter frame for long. “I gained 20 to 30 pounds in the first month,” said Kramer, who thinks about one-third of it was water weight she had wrung out of her body during four months of 10-hour daily workouts.

She admits her exercise fell off from five days a week down to two days, then to none at all some weeks. Things began to spiral.

“The less you work out, the more crappy food you eat,” she said.

By Christmas, she had gained another 30 pounds. She said her head never really caught up with the changes in her body.

“We lost weight so fast (at “The Biggest Loser” ranch), I didn’t have a chance to catch up with who I was,” said Kramer, a self-described emotional eater and “food addict.” Kramer separated from her husband, Rusty, soon after she returned home. They had been in marriage counseling before she left for the TV show competition.

“Rusty is a really, really good guy,” said Kramer, who talks to him almost every day. “He wants the ‘Little House on the Prairie’ life. I want something different. I like socializing and being around people.”

Her sister’s story

Cheney, Kramer’s sister, went to “The Biggest Loser” ranch knowing very little about nutrition and diet.

“I had absolutely no idea how to lose weight — how to count calories, portions of dairy, carbs, proteins, any of that,” she said in a phone interview recently from Gooding.



Times-News file photo

In March, Aubrey Cheney demonstrates some of the workouts she uses to keep in shape — nearing the end of her competition on Season 7 of ‘The Biggest Loser.’

She said she’s the complete opposite of her sister, who is very knowledgeable.

“Mandi followed nutrition a lot. I think if you’re addicted to food, you’re addicted to the information that comes along with it and dieting,” Cheney said. “She’s obsessed with weight loss.” Cheney, a 5-foot-5 mother of four who weighed 249 pounds at the start, got down to 191 pounds for the show’s finale. She currently weighs about 196 pounds.

“I’m staying in the 190s — I go up or down 5 pounds,” Cheney said. “I don’t freak out about it.” Cheney said one of the things she learned on “The Biggest Loser” is to eat breakfast.

“Breakfast is now a huge part of my life,” she said. “I now understand the concept. I feel like I’m refueling my body after waking up from the night.” She said she thinks it boosts her metabolism, making her hungry by lunch — which she also doesn’t skip.

She tries to eat dinner before 7 each night.

“I don’t think about food very often. I think about food when I need to eat it,” she said.

Cheney hates going to the gym, so she runs 5 miles three days a week.

Like Kramer, Cheney was confronted big changes in her life since going to “The Biggest Loser” camp. When she decided to go, her employer asked her to sign a

letter of resignation.

The good news is that she has found a better job with career-advancement opportunities. She’s working as an accounts manager at a dental group in Jerome.

“I love what I do. I still get to work with the public, and it’s awesome,” she said.

Cheney also separated from her husband last year.

“My husband asked if we could get a divorce,” she said. “We were working so hard to be happy — we never fought.”

Reality TV not much like reality at all

Kramer, a cosmetologist, is usually working when “The Biggest Loser” airs on Tuesday nights. But she often watches it on DVR with friends.

She enjoys answering her friends’ questions about what goes on behind-the-scenes on the show.

Kramer said participants on the show work out up to 12 hours a day. Their diets are severely restricted — she was down to 700 calories a day during her last week on the show; Cheney said she was down to 600 calories. Kramer’s friends

were shocked.

“Aren’t they setting you up for failure?” one asked, prefacing her question with a comment about how no one in the real world works out that much while eating that little.

Some might question the show’s techniques or motives — Kramer said the producers definitely played up personal conflicts on camera — but the Idaho sisters said they would both do the show again. Both felt it gave them some time to set life priorities.

“It opened my eyes to a lot of things in my life that I was too lazy to do anything about,” Cheney said. “I didn’t want to deal with anything. I had no extra energy to do anything.”

“I was derailed, and I’m back on track,” she said.

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Stepping up

Pedometers can motivate users to get in step

By Jeannine Stein
Los Angeles Times

If the journey toward fitness begins with a single step, make sure it's counted with a pedometer.

These little step-tracking gadgets now have a solid track record when it comes to motivating people to exercise. And their popularity is growing.

Inside this small-as-an-egg device are the keys to exercise success that have eluded far more complex and expensive fitness programs: accountability, goal-setting and being able to monitor progress. If the objective is to reach 10,000 steps in a day (the recommended amount), seeing a tally of 4,000 steps at 3 p.m. is a wake-up call to start walking.

"When we ask people to start an exercise program, it's important to have measurable, achievable goals, and adding this self-monitoring component is very critical," says Simon Marshall, associate professor of exercise and nutritional science at San Diego State University. "We don't know why exactly, but keeping a number, a prompt, in our consciousness on a regular basis is important, and that's why pedometers are superior to other methods. It's on you all the time."

The fact that nothing has to be written down — no fitness diary needs to be kept, no information must be logged on a computer — makes pedometers easy to use day after day in various settings, none of which has to be a gym.

Perhaps better yet, the average cost is around \$20.

"People describe them as being like little personal trainers," says Catrine Tudor-Locke, associate professor and director of the Walking Behavior Laboratory at Pennington Biomedical Research Center in Baton Rouge, La. "They provide ready, real-time data so you can make decisions about how you're going to spend the rest of your day and make adjustments as needed."

Los Angeles-based personal trainer Harley Pasternak has been studying the health habits of various cultures for his latest book, "The 5-Factor World Diet." He says, "What I found was that in the 10 healthiest countries in the world, they all have different (dietary habits). But one thing they all share is that they all walk way more than we do in America. For those in these 10 countries, being fit and healthy is about having an active lifestyle, while here in America, being fit is about performing an exercise in a room designated for fitness."



MCT photo
Cardiothoracic surgeon Dr. Kathy Magliato checks machines in the emergency room as she dashes about wearing her pedometer during her step-filled day in Torrance, Calif.

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Pedometers can create that lifestyle balance that many Americans otherwise would lack.

Fits any lifestyle

At 12:30 on a recent afternoon, Dr. Kathy Magliato's pedometer already reads 19,000 steps for the day. "I'm a cardiothoracic surgeon who's also a busy mommy with two small kids, so I run around quite a bit," she says. She typically gets her steps in while doing rounds at St. John's Health Center in Santa Monica or Torrance Memorial Medical Center. On days when she's in surgery for 10 hours, she takes her children for a walk when she gets home.

Magliato clipped on her first pedometer six years ago after the birth of her first child. With 10 pounds to lose and no time to go to a gym, she had to do something to stay in shape — both for herself and as a role model for her patients, many of whom have heart disease. Through walking and watching her diet, she dropped the 10 pounds and realized that walking provided the activity she needed, which some fitness experts and researchers say is the key to true health.

"When my patients tell me they can't work out because they don't have time, I say, 'Look at my lifestyle.'"

Research confirms that monitoring daily steps helps people get the recommended amount of exercise, bolsters their cardiovascular system and often contributes to weight loss.

A 2007 study in the Journal of the American Medical Association analyzed data from 26 studies assessing pedometer use among adults and found the device to be linked with considerable increases in physical activity and decreases in blood pressure and body mass index. In a 2004 study in Medicine & Science in Sports & Exercise, 27 people were assigned to a pedometer-based exercise group with an emphasis on daily steps and 33 people to an exercise program emphasizing time spent exercising.

At the end of the study, the pedometer-based program proved to be more effective in increasing daily activity than the time-based program.

Set a goal

Clipping on a pedometer and counting steps — even brisk ones — isn't the end of the fitness story. "It's one thing to wear a pedometer, but it's another to have a goal in mind of how many steps you want to get," says Karen Croteau, a professor in the department of exercise, health and sport sciences at the University of Southern Maine. "These gadgets are effective when serving as a cue, but that has to be in conjunction with setting goals."

She suggests that new users monitor steps for a few days to find a daily average before upping the amount. Some fitness experts recommend adding 5 percent to 10 percent of the starting average per day, but Tudor-

Locke believes that fitness levels and daily routines should be taken into consideration. "One person has to juggle child rearing while another has different lifestyle impediments," she says. "People should find out where they are and realize that more is better."

And while walking 10,000 steps a day is admirable, reaching that goal every day over a long period of time may cause a fitness plateau, in which cardio gains stop and weight sneaks back on. In that case, users must increase both steps and intensity.

(But keep in mind, walking shouldn't be the only exercise in the repertoire. Strength training for both the upper and lower body prevents muscle loss and helps stave off bone deterioration, both important as people age.)

Choosing a pedometer can be challenging, considering how many models are on the market. Some are equipped with accelerometers that record movement and intensity. Others tally weekly steps, have calorie counters and come with software to track progress. Some cellphones now come with a pedometer, but since the devices track steps by monitoring hip movement, they won't work if left on a table or in a purse on the floor.

Many exercise physiologists and trainers generally recommend starting with a basic model that just counts steps and costs about \$20. To ensure accuracy, count out from 20 to 50 steps a few times, checking the pedometer. If the count is within a few steps, it should be adequate. You can always upgrade later to a model with more bells and whistles.

Says Marshall, "You're only limited by how creative you can be."

Personal Trainer

Weight lifting basics for women

Lifting moderately heavy weights regularly can bring significant health benefits to post-menopausal women; some advice for novices:

Be consistent Try not to skip sessions; if you can't do a long session, do a short one

Vary your exercises To keep from overdeveloping one muscle group; use a variety of exercises, machines and resistances

Learn good technique A trainer can teach you the basics; avoid hyperextending or letting weight hang against a locked elbow joint

Lift and relax slowly Contract muscles for 1 to 2 seconds, hold for half a second, then release for 3 or 4 seconds

Stomach crunches

Back extensions

Find female-focused exercises Back and shoulder muscles protect posture; hamstring muscles protect against knee injury

Work balanced muscle groups Every muscle has an opposing muscle; be sure to work both of them

Find a buddy A partner can "spot" for you and encourage you when you struggle

Be patient It takes four to six weeks to see the benefits of weight lifting

Muscles are sexy
Don't worry about getting too muscular; women don't build muscle mass the way men do

Source: Johns Hopkins Weight Management Center, Mayo Clinic Sports Medicine Center, Hartford (Conn.) Hospital
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Muscle

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class, students change the weights on their barbells, with more weight for lower-body exercises, like squats, and less for cleans and presses. Songs range from '70s rock to Pink and Linkin Park.

The workout isn't easy. Everyone, from first-time student Rebekka Bicart of Twin Falls to instructor Kip Perkins, was grimacing and groaning by the end of the class. The workout wraps up with a stretch session that reduces the risk of injury.

It's tough, but it does get easier. At the end of her second class, Candice Richter already felt stronger and more able to get through the moves.

"I was really sore the first time," the Twin Falls woman said. That isn't stopping her from aiming to go to class at least twice a week.

Bicart's sister had recommended the class, even though it had kicked her butt. So Bicart came prepared and started with light weights.

Jeff Wallis of Kimberly said the Twin Falls class is

STRENGTH AND TONE

- **What:** Les Mills' "Body Pump" class
- **When:** 8:45 a.m. and 5:20 p.m. Tuesdays, 6:30 p.m. Wednesdays, 5:30 p.m. Thursdays, 9 a.m. Saturdays
- **Where:** Gold's Gym, 1471 Fillmore St., Twin Falls
- **Cost:** Classes are free for Gold's Gym members. For non-members, a day pass is \$10, lasts 24 hours and includes classes.
- **Membership information:** 733-4653

the best "Body Pump" he has been to. While traveling for business earlier this month, he went to other Gold's Gyms and tried their versions. They just weren't as good.

As for the difficult moves, Wallis said he can handle it.

"Pain is just weakness leaving the body," he said.

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A trio of new workout videos

By Rachel Saslow
The Washington Post

Clean or racy: The option is yours.

"**Dance With Julianne: Cardio Ballroom**" (Anchor Bay, \$14.98)

"**Robin Antin's Pussycat Dolls Workout**" (Anchor Bay, \$14.98)

"**cLEANmomma**" (cLEANmomma Productions, \$14.95)

Would you rather work out with country singer Julianne Hough, burlesque-style pop group the Pussycat Dolls or a mom from Encino, Calif.? All three have released new workout DVDs, and we drew our curtains and tried them.

In "Cardio Ballroom," the 21-year-old Hough shares some of the dance moves she taught celebrities as their coach on "Dancing With the Stars." While Hough offers tutorials on basics such as the cha-cha and ball change, the Pussycat Dolls jump right in

with stripper-ready moves set to their Top-40 hits "Don't Cha" and "Buttons." At-home dancers are encouraged to "Grind it! Slap it!" and "Pop that chest! Pop that booty!" This cardiovascularly and mentally challenging workout is not for the prudish.

Finally, Carolyn Barnes, the stay-at-home mother in Southern California, created her "cLEANmomma" program when she lost weight after childbirth by doing squats, leg kicks and push-ups ... all while doing her daily chores. She demonstrates the "Rag Drag," which works the inner and outer thighs while polishing the kitchen floor, and suggests making rules such as doing 10 push-ups every time you get a snack.

Her creativity is admirable, but part of the benefit of a 45-minute cardio session at the gym is that you don't have to think about exercise the rest of the day, especially not at snack time.

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On March 2nd, 2010 North Canyon Medical Center in Gooding will open for business at 7:00am. On or after March 2nd, 2010, please go to the new facility for all your health care needs. North Canyon Medical Center is located at 267 North Canyon Drive near the intersection of Hwy 26 & 46 in Gooding.



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HEALTH MYSTERY

A runny nose wasn't an allergy; woman needed surgery – fast

By Sandra G. Boodman
Special to The Washington Post

Rebecca Yates was sick of sounding like a broken record — and tired of getting the same response from the internist at her HMO.

For more than a year, the retired licensed practical nurse said, she had been complaining about a constant drippy nose. Each time she was told that her problem was allergic rhinitis: a runny nose caused by allergies. But none of the decongestants, antihistamines or other drugs she was prescribed helped. The drip had gotten so bad that Yates had to insert twisted cotton up her nose to absorb it while she cooked. Once, she recalled, a stranger told her to wipe her nose.

“It was very embarrassing,” Yates recalled. “And it had been going on for so long. I knew something was just not right.”

Until March 10, 2009, Yates found the problem more annoying than alarming.

That morning, while eating breakfast with her husband at their Landover, Md., home, she received a shocking telephone call from a specialist that revealed the cause of the drip — and the proposed remedy.

Not only did she have a problem far more serious than allergies, Kaiser Permanente allergist Geoffrey Greene told Yates, but she would need surgery quickly.

“It’s not the first thing I think of with a patient with a runny nose,” Greene said.

Yates, now 61, said her drippy nose began suddenly in October 2007 and seemed a bit unusual. She did not have a cold, the fluid was clear and it was limited to her left nostril. After two weeks, she went to see her primary-care doctor, who prescribed the first round of drugs. But as the months elapsed, the drip showed no sign of abating. She said the internist did not seem especially concerned and kept switching her medications, once telling her that some patients never get over rhinitis.

Yates, whose nose became raw and painful because she wiped it so often, estimates that she mentioned it to the doctor six times. During an appointment on Jan. 6, 2009, Yates said, she insisted on a referral to a specialist. “I said, ‘How can you treat me for allergies when no one’s tested me? What am I allergic to?’” Yates said she had not previously been given a diagnosis of allergies.

The ear, nose and throat specialist whom Yates saw in late January told her to continue taking Zyrtec, the most recently prescribed antihistamine, and added Atrovent, a medicine primarily used to treat lung problems. The ENT also



MARK GAIL/Washington Post

Rebecca Yates had complained about her drippy nose for more than a year.

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authorized an appointment with Greene for an allergy evaluation.

Greene remembers the Feb. 25 visit, the only time he saw Yates. He was fairly certain the cause was not allergies. “She had no itching or sneezing, her problem wasn’t seasonal, and it wasn’t worse in the morning,” all of which Greene said are characteristic of allergies.

Greene suspected he knew what might be wrong. He asked Yates whether she had been in a car accident or had received a blow to the head. She said no. He ordered blood and skin tests for allergies and, unable to collect enough of the discharge during the visit, gave Yates a small vial to take home. He told her to freeze a sample and then take it to the lab.

A week later, the allergy test results came back negative, just as Greene expected. A few days later, the lab notified Greene with the results of the nasal fluid test, confirming his hunch.

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Greene said he doesn’t remember the ensuing telephone conversation, which Yates says she will never forget.

“He said, ‘Mrs. Yates, are you home by yourself?’” she recalled. When she told Greene her husband was with her, the allergist told her that the fluid came back “100 percent positive for a CSF (cerebrospinal fluid) leak, and you’re going to have to have brain surgery.” Yates immediately burst into tears.

A CSF leak is usually caused by a blow to the head — actor George Clooney suffered one while filming a torture scene in the 2005 movie “Syriana” — but sometimes develops for no apparent reason. It occurs

when the fluid that bathes the brain and spinal cord leaks through a hole in the dura, the membrane that surrounds them, typically causing a splitting headache or the discharge of clear fluid through the nose. Many cases resolve in a few days with rest and without treatment; sometimes surgery is required. The chief risk of an untreated CSF leak is bacterial meningitis, which can result in brain damage.

Because Yates needed specialized surgery that Kaiser Permanente does not provide, she was referred to Ameet Singh, who along with neurosurgeon Fabio Roberti directs George Washington University Hospital’s endoscopic pituitary and skull base surgery program. Singh soon discovered through further testing that Yates’ problem was more complicated than a CSF leak: Brain tissue was protruding through her skull, creating an encephalocele. Singh said the prolonged high pressure from Yates’ spinal fluid had thinned a portion of her skull, allowing brain tissue to break through into her sphenoid sinus cavity and displace her pituitary gland.

Singh said he suspected that Yates had suffered from elevated spinal fluid pressure for several years, for reasons that remain unclear.

One possible cause, he said, is excess body weight. Yates says she lost 40 pounds and, at Singh’s urging, is trying to lose 20 more to help lower her spinal fluid pressure, which remains elevated.

The source of the leak was located in the center of her head, a difficult place to reach surgically. A decade ago it would have meant cutting into her skull, Singh said, but new techniques permitted doctors to access the site through her nose.

The approach offers a much faster recovery. Surgery involved removing the protruding, nonfunctional brain matter and patching the leak using tissue from Yates’ nasal septum and leg.

A 2004 report by Italian surgeons in the journal Minimally Invasive Neurosurgery described four patients, three of them women and none of whom reported previous head trauma, who underwent a similar procedure. All had suffered from a CSF leak for periods ranging from five months to 18 years.

Singh described the March 26 operation as “extremely challenging” and more complicated than expected; one of Yates’ lungs collapsed during the operation. The delayed diagnosis, he said, is “unfortunately typical. CSF leaks are commonly overlooked. Every runny nose is not an allergy,” he added, particularly when drainage is clear and occurs on only one side, classic signs of a leak.

Kaiser Permanente officials, asked about the time it took to diagnose Yates’ condition, issued a statement saying that Yates had been treated for “mild allergies and bronchitis for several years” by Kaiser physicians. “In January 2009, presenting with different symptoms than before, her primary care physician referred her” to specialists who found the problem and ensured “she received the appropriate care.”

Yates, who spent 11 days in the hospital, said she has fully recovered, although she suffers some leg pain from where the tissue used for the patch was harvested. Both she and Singh regard the surgery as a success; Yates suffered no neurological problems.

Yates credits her strong religious faith, the support of her family, and the care she received from Greene and Singh with helping her weather the ordeal.

The experience changed her. These days, she says, “I cry at the drop of a hat. Dr. Singh said, ‘It’s about what you’ve gone through.’”

Meditation doesn't have to be that complicated

By Alexia Elejalde-Ruiz
Chicago Tribune

For some novice meditators, the quest for inner peace can get a bit ... stressful.

Do I “om?” Picture a white-sand beach? Breathe white light out of my nostril? Can I scratch that itch on my back before I lose my mind?

Studies show that meditation has many health benefits, from lowering blood pressure to boosting happiness. But nothing defeats the purpose like stressing out about it. So let’s keep it simple.

Stephan Bodian, a California psychotherapist and author of “Meditation for Dummies,” recommends mindfulness meditation as best for stress reduction. In mindfulness meditation, you let yourself be fully present in the moment by focusing on your breath.

Bodian offered five pointers:

Breath: Breathe naturally, without forcing anything. Notice the sensation at your nostrils, and the rise and fall of your chest and belly as you breathe. When your mind wanders, gently bring it back to your breath.

Posture: Feel free to sit cross-legged, kneel, sit on a chair or lie down — whatever’s most comfortable. The most important thing is posture: Your back should be straight but not rigid, so imagine that you’re being pulled toward the sky with

a string attached to the crown of your head. Try not to fidget or squirm; instead of immediately reacting to discomfort, be aware of how it affects you.

Eyes and tongue: Close your eyes, keep them open or leave them half open, but pick one way and stick with it throughout the meditation. To stabilize your tongue, rest it lightly on the roof of your mouth. This Zen technique is believed to cut down on subvocalization, which is when your tongue moves slightly with the thoughts that pass through your head.

Routine: You’re more likely to incorporate meditation into your daily routine if you have a designated time and spot for it. Pick a quiet corner in your home, and turn off electronics. Mornings are good, before you drink any coffee so you’re not wired. Try not to meditate after a heavy meal or just before bed because you tend to be sleepy. Set a timer to alert you to the end of your session to frame the meditation and give it a ritualistic quality. Aim to meditate at least five days a week; there’s not much benefit if you do it once a week or every now and then.

Time: Meditating 20 to 30 minutes daily is ideal, but if you only have five or 10 minutes, go for it. There is no “right” way to meditate, so let go of goal orientation, and don’t try to track your progress.

How clean are those pre-washed greens?

By Kelly Brewington
The Baltimore Sun

A new study by Consumer Reports finds traces of bacteria in bagged salad — even those labeled “pre-washed.”

The lab tests of 208 containers of 16 brands of greens found several types of bacteria, including coliforms and Enterococcus, a type of organism found in the human digestive tract and the environment, which could be a signal of inadequate sanitation, the report states.

These bacteria don’t generally make healthy people sick (nor did the tests find E. coli or salmo-

nella, pathogens that can be deadly). Still, the report calls them “indicator” bacteria, a sign that “not enough is being done to assure the safety or cleanliness of leafy greens,” said Michael Hansen, a senior scientist at Consumer Union, the nonprofit that publishes Consumer Reports, in a statement.

Consumer Union also issued a report urging the FDA to set safety standards for greens.

Your best bet to avoid any problems, rinse those greens, even the ones whose packages claim they have already been washed.

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NOTICE OF HEARING ON NAME CHANGE

Case No.: CV-2010-85

A Petition to change the name of Anthony Ivan Holcomb, born 12/21/99 in Jerome, Idaho residing at 1551 18th St., Heyburn has been filed in Minidoka County District Court, Idaho. The name will change to Anthony Ivan Campos, because his current last name belongs to his grandfather and will change to reflect his biological father's last name of Campos. The child's father is living. The child's mother is living. A hearing on the petition is scheduled for 9:00 o'clock AM on March 22, 2010, at the County Courthouse. Objections may be filed by any person who can show the court a good reason against the name changes.

Date: February 12, 2010.

By Deputy Clerk

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NOTICES

NOTICE OF HEARING SUMMARY OF PROPOSED COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AND LAND USE MAP FOR GOODING COUNTY, IDAHO

The Gooding County Board of Commissioners, pursuant to Title 67, Chapter 65, Idaho Code, hereby proposes to adopt a Comprehensive Plan and Land Use Map for Gooding County.

The Gooding County Board of Commissioners will hold a public hearing on March 8, 2010 at 5:00 p.m. in the Commissioners meeting room, 624 Main St., Gooding, Idaho. The purpose of the hearing is for public input and discussion on adopting a Comprehensive Plan and Land Use Map for Gooding County.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN - The goal of Gooding County will be to adopt and implement the Comprehensive Plan to provide policy and guidelines to assist in future land use decisions. A Plan establishing fourteen (14) Comprehensive Plan Components and the land use map detailing areas of use. The Components and their descriptions are as follows: 1. Property Rights - an analysis of the provisions that may be necessary to provide that land use policies, restrictions, conditions and fees do not violate private property rights, adversely impact property values or create unnecessary technical limitation on the use of property. 2. Population and Growth - an analysis of the past, present, and future trends in population, including such characteristics as total population, age, sex and income. 3. School Facilities and Transportation - an analysis of public educational goals and facility capacities, plus school and school transportation facilities with future development. 4. Economic Development - an analysis of the economic base of the area for maintaining a positive growth rate, including employment, industries, jobs and income levels. 5. Land Use - an analysis encompassing the current vision and planning framework for a mix of future land uses. 6. Natural Resources and Hazardous Area - an analysis identifying the soils, water, vegetation, watersheds, and known hazards within the County. 7. Public Service, Facilities, and Utilities - an analysis of the general plans for sewage, water supply, fire stations, health and welfare facilities, waste disposal sites, public safety facilities, and general public services. 8. Transportation - an analysis of existing and future transportation infrastructure necessary for efficient mobility of people, goods and services. 9. Recreation - an analysis showing a system of recreation areas, including parks, parkways, trailways, greenbelts, beaches, playgrounds and other recreation areas and programs. 10. Special Areas or Sites - an analysis of the areas, sites, or structures of historical, archaeological, architectural or scenic significance. 11. Housing - an analysis of housing conditions and needs, and plans for improving housing standards, and supporting development of safe, sanitary, adequate and affordable housing. 12. Community and Sustainable Design - an analysis of the need for governing landscaping, site design, and beautification, sustainable practices and goals. 13. National Interest Electric Transmission Corridors - an analysis showing the existing location and possible routing of high voltage transmission lines based upon the United States department of energy's most recent national electric transmission congestion study. 14. Implementation - an analysis to determine actions, programs, budgets, ordinances, or other methods including scheduling of public expenditures to provide for the timely execution of the various components of the plan.

A full and complete text and land use map are available at the Gooding County Clerks Office, 624 Main Street, Gooding, Idaho, in the Gooding County Courthouse and the Gooding County Planning and Zoning Office, 145 7th Ave. East, Gooding. Office hours are 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., Monday through Thursday.

Dated this 1st day of February

Denise Gill

Gooding County Clerk

PUBLISH: February 8, 15 and 22, 2010

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

TS No. 09-0180109 Title Order No. 090857528IDGNO Parcel No. RPG1000007021CA The following described property will be sold at public auction to the highest bidder, payable in lawful money of the United States, in the lobby of Land Title & Escrow, Inc. located at 706 Main St., Gooding, ID 83330., on 06/04/2010 at 11:00 am. (recognized local time) for the purpose of foreclosing that certain Deed of Trust recorded 05/06/2004 as Instrument Number 206094, and executed by **JEFFREY L. LENKER AND DEANNA A. LENKER, HUSBAND AND WIFE**, as Grantor(s), in favor of **ENCORE CREDIT CORP.**, as Beneficiary, to **RECONTRUST COMPANY, N.A.**, the Current Trustee of record, covering the following real property located in Gooding County, state of Idaho: **WEST ONE-HALF OF LOTS 21,22,23 AND 24, IN BLOCK 7, GOODING TOWNSITE, GOODING COUNTY, IDAHO, AS THE SAME IN PLATTED IN THE OFFICIAL PLAT THEREOF, NOW OF RECORD IN THE OFFICE OF THE RECORDER OF SAID COUNTY.** The Trustee has no knowledge of a more particular description of the above referenced real property, but for purpose of compliance with Idaho Code, Section 60-113, the Trustee has been informed that the street address of, **314 7TH AVENUE WEST, GOODING, ID 83330** is sometimes associated with said real property. Bidders must be prepared to tender the trustee the full amount of the bid at the sale in the form of cash, or a cashier's check drawn on a state or federally insured savings institution. Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty, express or implied, regarding title, possession or encumbrances to satisfy the obligation secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in that certain Deed of Trust. The default for which this sale is to be made is: Failure to pay the monthly payment due 09/01/2009 of principal, interest and impounds and subsequent installments due thereafter; plus late charges, with interest currently accruing at 8.490% per annum; together with all subsequent sums advanced by beneficiary pursuant to the terms and conditions of said Deed of Trust, and any supplemental modifications thereto. The principal balance owing as of this date on said obligation is \$51,707.78, plus interest, costs and expenses actually incurred in enforcing the obligations thereunder and in this sale, together with any unpaid and /or accruing real property taxes, and/or assessments, attorneys' fees, Trustees' fees and costs, and any other amount advanced to protect said security, as authorized in the promissory note secured by the aforementioned Deed of Trust. Therefore, the Beneficiary elects to sell, or cause said trust property to be sold, to satisfy said obligation. **NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THIS FIRM IS ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE, AND THAT THE DEBT MAY BE DISPUTED. THE ABOVE GRANTORS ARE NAMED TO COMPLY WITH SECTION 45-1506(4)(a) IDAHO CODE. NO REPRESENTATION IS MADE THAT THEY ARE, OR ARE NOT, PRESENTLY RESPONSIBLE FOR THIS OBLIGATION.** DATED: 01/25/2010 Name and Address of the Current Trustee is: **RECONTRUST COMPANY, N.A. 1800 Tapo Canyon Rd., CA6-914-01-94 SIMI VALLEY, CA 90028-1821 PHONE: (800) 281-8219 RECONTRUST COMPANY, N.A. Successor Trustee Deedra Williams, Team Member ASAP# 3423662**

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NOTICES

FAIR HOUSING RESOLUTION CITY OF BLISS, IDAHO RESOLUTION # 2009-21

LET IT BE KNOWN TO ALL PERSONS OF the City of Bliss that discrimination on the basis of race, color, religion, gender or national origin in the sale, rental, leasing or financing of housing or land to be used for construction of housing or in the provision of brokerage services is prohibited by Title VIII of the 1968 Civil Rights Act (Federal Fair Housing Law).

It is the policy of the City of Bliss to encourage equal opportunity in housing for all persons regardless of race, color, religion, gender or national origin. The Fair Housing Amendments Act of 1988 expands coverage to include disabled persons and families with children. Therefore, the City does hereby pass the following Resolution.

BE IT RESOLVED that within available resources the City of Bliss will assist all persons who feel they have been discriminated against because of race, color, religion, gender, national origin, disability or familial status to seek equity under federal and state laws by referring them to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, Office of Fair Housing and Equal Opportunity, Compliance Division.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City of Bliss shall publicize this Resolution and through this publicity shall encourage owners of real estate, developers, and builders to become aware of their respective responsibilities and rights under the Federal Fair Housing Law and amendments and any applicable state or local laws or ordinances.

SAID PROGRAM will at a minimum include: 1) publicizing this resolution; 2) posting applicable fair housing information in prominent public areas; 3) providing fair housing information to the public; 4) preparing a fair housing impediments analysis; and 5) declaring April as Fair Housing Month.

EFFECTIVE DATE

This Resolution shall take effect this 18th of November, 2009.

/s/Laura Pulse, Mayor

Attest: /s/Leslie Lopes, City Clerk

PUBLISH: February 22, 2010

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

Idaho Code 45-1506 Today's date: January 26, 2010 File No.: 7023.70164 Sale date and time (local time): May 28, 2010 at 11:00 AM Sale location: outside the main entrance of the Cassia County Courthouse, 1459 Overland Ave. Burley, ID 83318 Property address: **500 19TH STREET E BURLEY, ID 83318** Successor Trustee: Northwest Trustee Services, Inc., an Idaho Corporation P.O. Box 997 Bellevue, WA 98009 (425) 586-1900 Deed of Trust information Original grantor: **Zachary L. Rasmussen and Sandee G. Rasmussen**, husband and wife Original trustee: Land Title and Escrow, Inc. Original beneficiary: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. solely as nominee for Republic Mortgage Home Loans, LLC Recording date: March 18, 2005 Recorder's instrument number: 301019 County: Cassia Sum owing on the obligation: as of January 26, 2010: \$150,443.37 Because of interest, late charges, and other charges that may vary from day to day, the amount due on the day you pay may be greater. Hence, if you pay the amount shown above, an adjustment may be necessary after we receive your check. For further information write or call the Successor Trustee at the address or telephone number provided above. Basis of default: failure to make payments when due. Please take notice that the Successor Trustee will sell at public auction to the highest bidder for certified funds or equivalent the property described above. The property address is identified to comply with IC 60-113 but is not warranted to be correct. The property's legal description is: Township 10 South, Range 23 East of the Boise Meridian, Cassia County, Idaho, Section 29: That part of the NE1/4NE1/4 more particularly described as follows: Commencing at the Southwest corner of the NE1/4NE1/4; thence South 89 degrees 10' 50" East for 68.76 feet (recorded as South 89 degrees 19' East for 68.8 feet) along the South line of the NE1/4NE1/4 to a point on the extended centerline of Almo Avenue; thence North 0 degrees 00' 33" East, (North recorded) along the centerline of Almo Avenue for 25.0 feet to a point which shall be the True Point of Beginning; thence North 0 degrees 00' 33" East for 113.26 feet along the centerline of Almo Avenue; thence South 89 degrees 52' 08" East for 174.90 feet (recorded as East for 175 feet) to the West line of Suburban Park Addition No. 3; thence South 0 degrees 02' 36" East for 115.36 feet (recorded as South) along said West line to a point that is 25.0 feet North of the South line of said NE1/4NE1/4; thence North 89 degrees 10' 50" West for 175.10 feet to the True Point of Beginning. The sale is subject to conditions, rules and procedures as described at the sale and which can be reviewed at www.northwesttrustee.com or USA-Foreclosure.com. The sale is made without representation, warranty or covenant of any kind. (TSA# 7023.70164) 1002.145011-FEI

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

TS No. 10-0014056 Title Order No. 100060580IDGNO Parcel No. RPT38810070110A The following described property will be sold at public auction to the highest bidder, payable in lawful money of the United States, in the lobby of Land Title & Escrow, 1411 Fillmore Street, Suite 600 Twin Falls, ID 83301, on 06/25/2010 at 11:00 am. (recognized local time) for the purpose of foreclosing that certain Deed of Trust recorded 08/27/2007 as Instrument Number 2007-021394, and executed by **JOSE ANGULO, AND OLIVIA ANGULO, HUSBAND AND WIFE**, as Grantor(s), in favor of **MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC.**, as Beneficiary, to **RECONTRUST COMPANY, N.A.**, the Current Trustee of record, covering the following real property located in Twin Falls County, state of Idaho: **LOT 11 IN BLOCK 7 OF NORTHSTAR SUBDIVISION, TWIN FALLS COUNTY, IDAHO, RECORDED IN BOOK 11 OF PLATS, PAGE 42.** The Trustee has no knowledge of a more particular description of the above referenced real property, but for purpose of compliance with Idaho Code, Section 60-113, the Trustee has been informed that the street address of, **1218 SPARKS ST N, TWIN FALLS, ID 83301-3125** is sometimes associated with said real property. Bidders must be prepared to tender the trustee the full amount of the bid at the sale in the form of cash, or a cashier's check drawn on a state or federally insured savings institution. Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty, express or implied, regarding title, possession or encumbrances to satisfy the obligation secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in that certain Deed of Trust. The default for which this sale is to be made is: Failure to pay the monthly payment due 09/01/2009 of principal, interest and impounds and subsequent installments due thereafter; plus late charges, with interest currently accruing at 6.625% per annum; together with all subsequent sums advanced by beneficiary pursuant to the terms and conditions of said Deed of Trust, and any supplemental modifications thereto. The principal balance owing as of this date on said obligation is \$122,888.94, plus interest, costs and expenses actually incurred in enforcing the obligations thereunder and in this sale, together with any unpaid and /or accruing real property taxes, and/or assessments, attorneys' fees, Trustees' fees and costs, and any other amount advanced to protect said security, as authorized in the promissory note secured by the aforementioned Deed of Trust. Therefore, the Beneficiary elects to sell, or cause said trust property to be sold, to satisfy said obligation. **NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THIS FIRM IS ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE, AND THAT THE DEBT MAY BE DISPUTED. THE ABOVE GRANTORS ARE NAMED TO COMPLY WITH SECTION 45-1506(4)(a) IDAHO CODE. NO REPRESENTATION IS MADE THAT THEY ARE, OR ARE NOT, PRESENTLY RESPONSIBLE FOR THIS OBLIGATION.** DATED: 02/12/2010 Name and Address of the Current Trustee is: **RECONTRUSTCOMPANY, N.A. 1800 Tapo Canyon Rd., CA6-914-01-94 SIMI VALLEY, CA 90028-1821 PHONE: (800) 281-8219 RECONTRUSTCOMPANY, N.A. Successor Trustee Deedra Williams, Team Member ASAP# 3451162**

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Actions planned and taken by your government are contained in public notices. They are part of your right to know and to be informed of what your government is doing. As self-government charges all citizens to be informed, this newspaper urges every citizen to read and study these notices. We advise those citizens who seek further information to exercise their right to access public records and public meetings.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that a hearing will be held before the City of Jerome Planning and Zoning Commission on Tuesday, March 9, 2010, at the hour of 7:00 PM at the Council Chambers, 100 East Avenue A, Jerome, Idaho.

The purpose of the public hearing is to consider an ordinance of the City of Jerome which repeals the existing zoning ordinance of the City of Jerome, codified as Title 17 of the Jerome Municipal Code, and adopts a new zoning ordinance to become codified as Title 17 of the Jerome Municipal Code.

A summary of the ordinance to be considered is as follows:

- > REPEALS EXISTING TITLE 17 OF THE JEROME MUNICIPAL CODE;
- > ADOPTS A NEW TITLE 17 OF THE JEROME MUNICIPAL CODE CONSTITUTING THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF JEROME;
- > PROVIDES FOR AUTHORITY AND INTERPRETATION FOR THE ORDINANCE;
- > PROVIDES FOR DEFINITIONS OF TERMS;
- > PROVIDES FOR ZONING DISTRICTS AND AN OFFICIAL ZONING MAP;
- > ESTABLISHES SCHEDULES OF PERMITTED USES, SPECIAL USES AND PROHIBITED USES WITHIN ZONING DISTRICTS;
- > PROVIDES FOR PERFORMANCE STANDARDS WITHIN CERTAIN ZONING DISTRICTS;
- > PROVIDES FOR REGULATIONS FOR PERSONAL WIRELESS FACILITIES, SPIRES, POLES, ANTENNAS, STEEPLES AND THE LIKE;
- > ESTABLISHES OFF STREET PARKING REQUIREMENTS;
- > PROVIDES FOR AND REGULATES NON CONFORMING USES;
- > ALLOWS THE ESTABLISHMENT OF PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENTS;
- > PROVIDES FOR A ZONING ADMINISTRATOR, PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION AND REQUIRED PERMITS AND CERTIFICATES;
- > PROVIDES FOR PROCEDURES FOR THE PROCESSING OF SPECIAL USE PERMITS, VARIANCES AND APPEALS;
- > PROVIDES FOR STANDARDS FOR PUBLIC HEARINGS BEFORE THE PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION AND CITY COUNCIL;
- > PROVIDES FOR PROCESSES FOR THE AMENDMENT OF THE ORDINANCE;
- > PROVIDES FOR PENALTIES FOR VIOLATION OF PROVISIONS OF THE ORDINANCE;
- > PROVIDES FOR THE FORM AND CONTENT OF DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENTS;
- > DEFINES THE AREA OF CITY IMPACT;
- > PROVIDES FOR THE CONTENT AND APPROVAL OF DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENTS;
- > PROVIDES FOR STANDARDS FOR MINIMAL PROPERTY MAINTENANCE;
- > PROVIDES AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Interested persons are invited to attend the hearing and will have an opportunity to be heard. A full text of the ordinance is available for public inspection at the office of the City Clerk, 152 East Avenue A, Jerome, Idaho, during regular business hours.

Dated:

Signed:

PUBLISH: February 22, 2010

Notice of 30Day Opportunity to Comment USDA Forest Service, Sawtooth National Forest Minidoka Ranger District Cassia and Power Counties, State of Idaho North Heglar- Houtz and Flint Hartley S&G Allotment NEPA Analysis Project

The Forest Service, Sawtooth National Forest, Minidoka Ranger District, is analyzing the North Heglar- Houtz and Flint Hartley Sheep & Goat (S&G) allotments. The proposed action is to continued livestock grazing under ten-year term grazing permits for the North Heglar- Houtz and Flint-Hartley S&G allotments, located in the Sublett Division on the Minidoka District.

The proposed action, issues identified through scoping and alternatives to be analyzed and other information, can be obtained by contacting Scott Nannenga, District Ranger at (208) 678-0430 or via email at snannenga@fs.fed.us. The purpose of this comment period is to provide an opportunity for the public to provide early and meaningful participation on a proposed action prior to a decision being made by the Responsible Official.

How to Comment and Timeframe

Written, facsimile, hand-delivered, oral, and electronic comments will be accepted for 30 calendar days following publication of this notice in the Times-News Newspaper, Twin Falls, ID. The publication date in the newspaper of record is the exclusive means for calculating the comment period for this proposal. You should not rely upon dates or timeframe information provided by any other source.

It is the responsibility of persons providing comments to submit them by the close of the comment period. Those who provide comments during this comment period are eligible to appeal the decision under the regulations. Individuals and organizations wishing to be eligible to appeal must provide the following information:

1. Name and Address;
2. Title of the proposed action;
3. Specific comments (36 CFR 215.2) on the proposed action, along with supporting reasons that the Responsible Official should consider in reaching a decision;
4. Signature or other verification of identity upon request; identification of the individual or organization who authored the comments(s) is necessary for appeal eligibility;
5. For multiple names or multiple organizations, a signature must be provided for the individual authorized to represent each organization, or for each individual that wishes to have appeal eligibility, and
6. Individual members of organizations must submit their own comments to meet the requirements of appeal eligibility as an individual, comments received on behalf of an organization are considered as those of the organization only.

Written comments must be submitted to: Minidoka Ranger District, Attn: Scott Nannenga, District Ranger, 3650 S. Overland Ave, Burley, ID 83318. The office business hours for those submitting hand-delivered comments are: 8:00 am - 4:30 pm Monday through Friday, excluding holidays. Oral comments must be provided at the Responsible Official's office during normal business hours via telephone at 208-678-0430 or in person. Comments may also be submitted via Facsimile (FAX) at 208677-4878. Electronic comments must be submitted in rich text format (.rtf), or Word (.doc) to: comments-intermtn-sawtooth-minidoka@fs.fed.us.

PUBLISH: February 22, 2010

NOTICES

AD FOR BIDS

Sealed proposals will be received by the Division of Public Works, State of Idaho, at 502 N. 4th St, Boise, Idaho until **2:00 PM**, local time on **March 11, 2010**, for **DPW Project 08336.1**, Renovate Hailey RC, Roof Overbuild, Division of Military, Hailey, Idaho. Further information, including information regarding Pre-Bid Conference, availability of documents for review and bid bond requirements, is at <http://adm.idaho.gov/pubworks/dpwconstprojects.htm> or contact ZGA Architects (208) 345-7882

Estimated Cost: **\$415,000**

Jan P. Frew, Deputy Administrator, Division of Public Works

PUBLISH: February 22 and March 1, 2010

CITY OF JEROME

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING FOR PLANNING & ZONING

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that on Tuesday, the 9th day of March, 2010, at the hour of 7:00 p.m., a public hearing will be held before the City Planning and Zoning Commission at City Council Chambers, 100 East Avenue A, Jerome, Idaho to hear a request from Gus DeMello, representing **Mello De Enterprises**, for a Special Use Permit allowing storage of plastic materials in the structure located at Tax 1 in Block A-269 Jerome Townsite, NW, 24-8-16, East of the Boise Meridian, more commonly known as 150 W Blvd S in Jerome. **ALL INTERESTED PERSONS ARE INVITED TO ATTEND**, and shall have an opportunity to be heard. Dated this 17 day of February, 2010. Paula Thompson, Planning and Zoning Secretary

PUBLISH: February 22, 2010

NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY TO REQUEST A PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD ON A PERMIT APPLICATION AND PROPOSED PERMIT TO CONSTRUCT

In compliance with Section 58.01.01.209, Rules for the Control of Air Pollution in Idaho, notice is hereby given that **Ralph L. Wadsworth Construction**, Draper, Utah, has applied to the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) for a permit to construct, P-2010.0024, for a portable concrete batch plant. The facility, a portable concrete batch plant, is located at the I-84 Declo Interchange, Exit #216. A public comment period on the proposed permit will be provided if a written request is submitted on or before March 9, 2010, and directed to Faye Weber, Department of Environmental Quality, 1410 N. Hilton, Boise, Idaho 83706-1255, or faye.weber@deq.idaho.gov, or to the DEQ Web site at <http://www.deq.idaho.gov>. Please reference the company name and permit number when sending the request.

The permit application materials submitted by the facility are available for public review on the DEQ Web site. All information regarding this project will be available at <http://www.deq.idaho.gov>. You may sign up on the DEQ Web site to receive e-mail updates on this permit.

DATED this 22nd day of February, 2010.

Faye Weber
Air Quality Division

PUBLISH: February 22, 2010

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Lost and Found

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FOUND Border Collie N. of Gooding. Male, no collar, sweet disposition. Call to identify 208-961-0086.

FOUND Domestic Rabbit in the Twin Falls area. Call to identify 208-736-6527.

FOUND Ford key on keyring. Found on 2/9 along Homestead Drive. Call 208-324-7694 to describe.

FOUND Male Pup south of Burley. Call 208-731-1190

FOUND Small, female black cat, long hair with green eyes, found at the Balfour apts. in Jerome. Call 208-948-9917

LOST Cat, grey, long haired, 15 lbs, lost 2/13 near Canyon Trails Subd Call 208-420-3035 or 208-731-5986

LOST Chesapeake Bay Retriever, male, 2 yrs old. Last seen 2 mi. E. of Gooding. Reward! 539-0034

LOST Chocolate Lab mix, female, pregnant or has just had puppies, lost in Burley area near fairgrounds, wearing a purple collar with paw prints on it. "Bailey". Please call 208-650-5036

LOST Heeler mix, male, less than 1 year old, neutered, last seen 6 miles S. of Strevell. Sightings near Geothermal Rd. in Almo Finding his way home to Paul. 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 "Buckle" not wearing a collar. Scared. If you've seen him please call 208-878-4835 or 219-0776, we will pick up. Reward!

LOST Miniature Pinscher (chocolate brown male) & male Boxer, lost on Wendell St between Falls & North College. Please call 944-0366.

LOST Reddish brown, male Dachshund lost near Kirts Oil in Burley. "Rudd" 208-678-3389

LOST Rottweiler male, 7 months, green camo collar, answers to Slim. Taken from home north of Rupert. Kids are heart broken. 208-260-1623

LOST Rottweiler, male, answers to Babe, wearing purple collar. Last seen west of Wendell. Reward offered. 208-636-5065 or 410-0209

REWARD for any information leading to the arrest and conviction of person(s) involved in break in and theft of automotive equipment occurring between 2/12-2/13 at Johns Auto Repair. Call 208-733-3785 or 420-1400

NOTICES

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209 General

GENERAL
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211 Medical

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MEDICAL
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FINANCIAL

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Concepts Sudoku By Dave Green

		2	9	1	5	3		
6								7
	8						5	
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	5						1	
2								9
		4	6	8	1	5		

Difficulty Level ★ 1/22

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Answer to previous puzzle

7	9	6	4	1	5	3	8	2
1	2	3	7	8	6	9	4	5
4	5	8	3	9	2	6	1	7
6	7	2	1	4	3	5	9	8
5	4	9	2	6	8	1	7	3
3	8	1	5	7	9	4	2	6
2	1	4	6	3	7	8	5	9
8	3	5	9	2	1	7	6	4
9	6	7	8	5	4	2	3	1

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REAL ESTATE

501 Open House

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Today is Monday, Feb. 22, the 53rd day of 2010. There are 312 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight:
 On Feb. 22, 1980, the "Miracle on Ice" occurred in Lake Placid, N.Y. as the United States Olympic hockey team upset the Soviets, 4-3. (The U.S. team went on to win the gold medal.)

TODAY IN HISTORY

On this date:
 In 1732, the first president of the United States, George Washington, was born in Westmoreland County in the Virginia Colony.

In 1784, a U.S. merchant ship, the Empress of China, left New York for the Far East to trade goods with China.

In 1810, according to some sources, Polish composer Frederic Chopin was born. (Chopin, however, claimed March 1 as his birthday.)

In 1862, Jefferson Davis, already the provisional president of the Confederacy, was inaugurated for a six-year term following his election in Nov. 1861.

In 1909, the Great White Fleet, a naval task force sent on a round-the-world voyage by President Theodore Roosevelt, returned after more than a year at sea.

In 1924, President Calvin Coolidge delivered the first radio broadcast from the White House as he addressed the country over 42 stations.

In 1940, the 14th Dalai Lama (Tenzin Gyatso) was enthroned at age four in Lhasa, Tibet.

In 1959, the inaugural Daytona 500 race was held in Daytona Beach, Fla.; although Johnny Beauchamp was initially declared the winner, the victory was later awarded to Lee Petty.

In 1973, the United States and China agreed to establish liaison offices.

In 1984, 12-year-old David Vetter, who'd spent most of his life in a plastic bubble because he had no immunity to disease, died 15 days after being removed from the bubble for a bone-marrow transplant.

Ten years ago: John McCain won Republican primaries in Michigan and his home state of Arizona.

Five years ago: A powerful earthquake struck central Iran, killing more than 600 people. A Virginia man was charged with plotting with al-Qaida to kill President George W. Bush. (Ahmed Omar Abu Ali was convicted on all counts in November 2005; he was sentenced to life in prison after a 30-year sentence was overturned.) Buckingham Palace said Queen Elizabeth II would not attend the civil marriage ceremony of her son Prince Charles and Camilla Parker Bowles – but that her absence should not be interpreted as a snub.

One year ago: The late Heath Ledger won the best supporting actor Oscar for "The Dark Knight"; "Slumdog Millionaire" won best picture and seven other Academy Awards. A gas explosion in a coal mine in northern China killed more than 70 miners.

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IF FEBRUARY 22 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY: You might be driven by more ambition in the year ahead and have worthy incentives to do so. You probably won't rest during the next several months until you have achieved your goals or made your dreams a reality. Because you are willing to work hard to achieve greatness, you are very likely to succeed in almost any important undertaking. Don't be surprised, however, if during August you experience a few setbacks or your wings are temporarily clipped. That is a poor time to initiate anything new, but is a mere steppingstone to bigger and better things.



ARIES (March 21-April 19): You may be negatively conditioned by habits. Be sure to get crucial details ironed out before they turn into misunderstandings. Avoid being a hypocrite; your actions may not match words.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Speak plain English. This isn't a good time to muddy the waters. If your ambitions are stirred, then you need to have a concise plan of action that offers ample time to complete many tasks.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Try alternative methods. You may be handed tangled social knots. Remember that pulling one way will tighten it and pulling the other way will loosen it. Use finesse and be willing to change direction.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Polish powers of perception. Pushy people may want their way but lack the ability to explain clearly. To avoid confusion set up a powwow for the end of the week where you can discuss compromise.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): You may be wrestling with words and meanings. A tendency to not say what you mean or to misinterpret what someone else says can create misunderstandings. Avoid the doghouse by being straightforward.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Concentrate doing your best even when your best does not seem good enough. Focus on completing important projects in a timely manner so you can escape from worries and move on to the next thing.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Accentuate the positive and eliminate the negative. You might be too easily wounded by criticism or briefly put off your game by a social blunder. Someone who seems attractive is a wolf in sheep's clothing.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Aim to please and please to achieve your aims. Networking can be a delight instead of a chore. Your likability quotient can hit a high note, so you can easily combine business with pleasure today.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Don't be put off your feed by minor annoyances. They may just be a case of smoke and mirrors that distract you from the really important matter that involves your own home and family.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Don't daintily shirk distasteful duties. Take it on the chin and own up to mistakes. Evading responsibilities will only undermine your reputation. Being committed to perfection may bring rewards.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Nothing is too wonderful to be true. Even so, you would be wise to check out the facts if someone pushes you to sign on the dotted line against your better judgment. You may attract the wrong sort.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): There are many paths up the mountain. Just because someone aspires to achieve greatness or success in a different field or in a different way does not mean that person is unworthy of your respect.

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Monday, Feb. 22, 2010

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Bobby Wolff

*"When first we met we did not guess
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—Robert Bridges

Today's deal is a classic example of identifying what your best chance is to make your contract, then playing for it.

South sensibly jumped to four hearts over East's one-diamond opening. West's double showed cards and encouraged East to bid four spades if he had a four-card suit, or to make any other appropriate call with significant extra shape. As it was, East had nowhere to go but to pass and hope he could beat the game.

West led out the diamond king and queen, then the 10 to East's ace. South ruffed in and laid down the heart ace, but now had a choice. He could play the heart queen to try to pin the jack, or he could play a low heart and try to drop the king. He actually played for the second choice and quietly went down a trick.

When he told his partner that it was a blind guess as to what to do, he received a less than sympathetic answer. "Imagine that East DID have the doubleton heart king. What would have happened to you when you led out the low heart and the king captured thin air? East would have been able to lead the fourth diamond now, re-promoting West's heart jack to the setting trick. So your best chance was to try to pin the heart jack by leading the queen. If that works, there can be no promotion."

NORTH 02-22-A
♠ Q 9 7 4 2
♥ —
♦ 9 5 3 2
♣ A 6 4 2

EAST
♠ A 10 5
♥ K 6 4
♦ A J 7 6
♣ 9 8 3

SOUTH
♠ —
♥ A Q 10 9 8 7 5 2
♦ 8 4
♣ K Q 10

Vulnerable: East-West
Dealer: North

The bidding:

South	West	North	East
		Pass	1 ♦
4 ♥	Dbl.*	All pass	
*Negative			

Opening lead: Diamond king
LEAD WITH THE ACES

02-22-B

South holds:

♠ 10 8 4 3
♥ 10 3
♦ Q 9 8 7
♣ J 7 4

South	West	North	East
		1 NT	
Pass	3 NT	Dbl.	All pass

ANSWER: This double calls for an unusual lead. It suggests your partner has a good suit of his own and is asking you to lead your shorter major on the chance of finding his suit. Therefore, lead the heart 10 — and hope partner does not have six spades ready to cash!

For details of Bobby Wolff's autobiography, "The Lone Wolff," contact kay1982@aol.com. If you would like to contact Bobby Wolff, e-mail him at bobbywolff@mindspring.com.

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We were out one evening and our younger son wanted ice cream. My husband told him he couldn't have any because it would be unfair to his brother. I, in turn, said that it's not fair to punish the younger one. This has become a huge deal for us lately. Can you tell us who is right, and what's the best way to handle this?

— TRYING TO BE FAIR IN HAWAII



DEAR ABBY
Jeanne Phillips

DEAR TRYING TO BE FAIR: This is something you should discuss with your older son's doctor. It is my understanding that years ago, diabetes was treated more with diet. But with the advent of glucose meters and better insulin, most people with Type 1 diabetes, while trying to eat healthfully, do not completely deprive themselves of treats but accommodate them by adjusting their level of insulin. If your husband refuses to budge on the "treats" issue, then your younger child should be given something else to compensate.

The American Diabetes Association offers a free kit that can be sent to you. It can be ordered by calling 1-800-342-2383 or logging onto www.diabetes.org/families. The kit contains a parents' guide, a card game for your kids, a paperback book, "The Diabetes Dictionary: What Every Person With Diabetes Needs to Know," and more. If you haven't already done so, please contact the ADA. It will be a terrific resource for you, your husband and your son in managing his diabetes, as well as keeping peace in your household.

DEAR ABBY: My wife and I threw a party for which we hired a bartender, so we could spend more time with our guests. We figured that, in addition to his hourly rate, we would tip him at the end of the night. Without consulting us, the man placed a plastic cup out for our guests to tip him. My wife was appalled and demanded that he remove it. He actually argued with her, but finally put the tip cup away. My wife and I asked friends to weigh in on the subject. The men had no problem with the practice, while every woman found it offensive. Were we too harsh? Should a bartender at a private, in-home party be allowed to solicit tips from the guests?

— BAR NONE IN SO. CALIFORNIA

DEAR BAR NONE: Absolutely not! When you hired this person, all the details should have been agreed to in advance — and if the compensation your bartender was being offered wasn't satisfactory, he should have refused the job.

DEAR ABBY: My husband and I have been married six years and have two wonderful children. Lately, my mother-in-law has made several comments in front of family members suggesting that one of our kids bears no resemblance to my husband — implying that I have been unfaithful. At first, I took it as a joke. Now I'm wondering if she really believes it. My husband isn't concerned, but I wonder if I should set her straight. What would you suggest?

— NO LAUGHING MATTER

DEAR N.L.M.: I would suggest you set your mother-in-law straight. To say that her remarks are tasteless is an understatement. Either she has a warped sense of humor or she has been watching too many soap operas. Talk with her privately and, if necessary, offer to have both your children DNA-tested to prove their "authenticity." That may be the only way to stop her snide remarks once and for all.

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