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## Justices extend gun-owner rights nationwide

By Mark Sherman  
Associated Press writer

WASHINGTON — The Supreme Court held Monday that Americans have the right to own a gun for self-defense anywhere they live, expanding the conservative court's embrace of gun rights since John Roberts became chief justice.

By a 5-4 vote, the justices cast doubt on handgun bans in the Chicago area, but signaled that some limitations on the Constitution's "right to keep and bear arms" could

survive legal challenges. On its busy final day before a three-month recess, the court also ruled that a public law school can legally deny recognition to a Christian student group that won't let gays join, jumped into the nation's charged immigration debate by agreeing to review an employer sanctions law from Arizona and said farewell to Justice John Paul Stevens, who is retiring after more than 34 years.

A short distance from the court, the Senate Judiciary

Committee began confirmation hearings for Elena Kagan, nominated by President Barack Obama to replace Stevens.

In the guns case, Justice Samuel Alito said for the court that the Second Amendment right "applies equally to the federal government and the states."

The court was split along familiar ideological lines, with five conservative-moderate justices in favor of gun rights and four liberals opposed. Roberts voted with the majority.

Two years ago, the court declared that the Second Amendment protects an individual's right to possess guns, at least for purposes of self-defense in the home.

That ruling applied only to federal laws. It struck down a ban on handguns and a trigger lock requirement for other guns in the District of Columbia, a federal city with unique legal standing. At the same time, the court was careful not to cast doubt on other regulations of firearms here.

Gun rights proponents

almost immediately filed a federal lawsuit challenging gun control laws in Chicago and its suburb of Oak Park, Ill., where handguns have been banned for nearly 30 years. The Brady Center to Prevent Gun Violence says those laws appear to be the last two remaining outright bans.

Lower federal courts upheld the two laws, noting that judges on those benches were bound by Supreme Court precedent and that it would be up to the high court justices to ultimately rule on

the true reach of the Second Amendment.

The Supreme Court already has said that most of the guarantees in the Bill of Rights serve as a check on state and local, as well as federal, laws.

Monday's decision did not explicitly strike down the Chicago area laws. Instead, it ordered a federal appeals court to reconsider its ruling. But it left little doubt that the statutes eventually would fall.

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## T.F. water rates to rise

Increase to pay for \$18.5 million arsenic bond

By Nick Coltrain  
Times-News writer

Bills for every water user, from agriculture giant ConAgra to retiree Dale Wright, will be \$11.15 higher for June and every subsequent month for the next 15 years under a resolution adopted by the Twin Falls City Council Monday night.

Councilman David E. Johnson did raise the idea of a fund to ease the burden for those on a fixed income. Other council members seemed receptive to the idea, though no action was taken.

The increase will go to pay an \$18.6 million bond the city secured from the Idaho State Bond Bank so it could complete the federally mandated project to lower arsenic levels in its drinking water. Finance

Director Lorie Race said the city is required to draw 125 percent of the bond to provide debt protection, which may allow the city to pay off the bond three years early.

No council members expressed support for the rate hike, though most concluded it was the best solution. The resolution passed 5-1, with Councilman Will Kezele voting against. Councilman Lance Clow was absent, out of town on city business.

Several community members spoke at the hearing about the increase, none in support. Many asked why the city couldn't ignore the federal mandate.

Wright, a retiree who lives in Twin Falls, said he thought the other increases to his water bill were for the arsenic project. He called the city and the council "deceitful" to add more fees.

Another retiree, Margarette Cook, said she lives on a fixed income and worries the

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## COMMUNICATING NEEDS



MEAGAN THOMPSON/Times-News

Twin Falls County Sheriff's Patrol Sgt. Scott Bishop sits in his patrol vehicle Monday outside the courthouse. After turning up the volume to an '80s rock song, Bishop said he's paid for equipment — like the sound system — to add to the sheriff's truck. "When you're out patrolling for 12 hours at a time you gotta have something," Bishop said.

## T.F. sheriff seeks radio upgrades in new budget

By Bradley Guire  
Times-News writer

Twin Falls County Sheriff Tom Carter's radios won't be much more than paperweights in two years, and he needs some new ones.

Carter, along with Chief Deputy Gerlyn "Sam" Walker and captains Tim Miller and Doug Hughes, presented his office's preliminary budget request for fiscal 2011 to county commissioners Thursday in Twin Falls. The proposed budget includes some major requests: raises for all department employees and extra money for fuel and new handheld radios.

### WHAT THEY'RE HOPING FOR

Twin Falls County Sheriff's Office preliminary budget requests for fiscal 2011

Description	2010 budget	2011 requested	Percent change
Regular salaries	\$2,710,960	2,865,836	+6
Car expense - fuel	\$160,000	240,000	+50
Cellular & pager	\$35,000	27,000	-23
Radio, repair/operation	\$11,000	100,000	+809

"I thought it was fair as far as being equitable," Commissioner Terry Kramer said. "It represents what's being spent. The only question is the radio transfer."

The largest increase request would allow the office to upgrade its radios, as the current crop will not meet a federal mandate for departments to begin using

narrowband wavelengths. Carter asked for the new radios by the end of 2011; current radios will not work after a federal deadline of January 2013.

The department is asking the county to purchase 44 new portable handheld units advanced enough to meet not only the pending mandate, but also another expected to follow a few

years from now. The 2011 sheriff's proposal seeks \$100,000 for the one-time radio purchase. As the 2010 budget marked only \$11,000 for radio repair and operation, that's an increase of 809 percent.

To help alleviate the cost to taxpayers, the sheriff's

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## Cougar startles Rupert residents

By Laurie Welch  
Times-News writer

RUPERT — A male mountain lion gave a few early risers a start on Saturday when he sauntered down 11th Street in Rupert.

Thomas Poindexter, who lives on the corner of 11th Street and H Street, said he first spotted the lion at about 7:30 a.m.

"I was looking out my living room window with a cup of coffee in my hand, watching Rupert go by, when I saw this mountain lion coming north on H Street," Poindexter said. "I rubbed my eyes because I didn't believe it."

Poindexter said at one point the cat stopped in a yard that was being flood-irrigated and got a drink of water.

"I called 911 and I thought, 'They're going to think I'm crazy,'" Poindexter said.

Jason Garner, who lives at 1017 H St. with his father, Max Garner, said police offi-



LAURIE WELCH/Times-News

Idaho Department of Fish and Game Officer Rob Morris tags the ear of a tranquilized mountain lion Saturday after it was found in a Rupert resident's garage.

cers knocked on their door shortly after 8 a.m. to tell them a mountain lion was in their garage.

"They told me I had a nice little pet in my backyard," Jason Garner said.

Rupert police located the healthy cat in the garage,

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## Learning to be political

### Hagerman teen to represent Idaho in Washington

By Amy Huddleston  
Times-News writer

HAGERMAN — Sara Stowell said her mother is her hero. She'd love to have dinner with Albert Einstein, Ludwig van Beethoven and her great-grandfather. She believes strongly in her faith and herself.

Stowell will enter her senior year at Hagerman High School with a 4.0

grade-point average, and on July 17 she will fly to Washington, D.C., to represent Idaho at Girls Nation, a government training program of the American Legion Auxiliary.

The 17-year-old attended this year's Girls State event in Nampa, sponsored by the Lea Owsley Post 31 American Legion Auxiliary. Stowell described Girls State as a chance to learn about government that also provides self-

discovery and time to bond with other young women.

"The only way I can really describe it is life-changing," Stowell said. "I feel like a different person now."

Each participant is put into a mock city and the girls form two parties, the Federalists and the Nationalists. The girls have the opportunity to run for

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Stowell



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# MORNING BRIEFING

## Pat's Picks Three things to do today

Pat Marcantonio



- “Multiple Personalities at Play,” a selection of photography by Gordan Hardcastle, is on display through Sept. 30 at the Mini-Cassia Chamber of Commerce building, 1177 Seventh St. in Heyburn.
- And while down in the area, take a walk along the path of the city of Heyburn’s Riverside Park. The scenery is great and you can also take in the arboretum. It’s free.
- Duck into the Faulkner

Planetarium at the Herrett Center for Arts and Science in Twin Falls for some cool air and entertainment. The planetarium shows include “Planet Patrol: Solar System Stake-Out” at 2 p.m.; “Two Small Pieces of Glass” at 7 p.m.; and “U2” at 8:15 p.m. Tickets range from \$2.50 to \$4.50.

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

# Scrat! Stuff you didn't know about sabertoothed, um, critters

**O**K, let's get this straight. There were no sabertoothed tigers skulking around what's now Hagerman Fossil Beds National Monument 12,000 years ago. But there were two species of sabertoothed cats.

So says William A. Akersten, the recently retired curator of vertebrate paleontology at the Idaho Museum of Natural History at Idaho State University. He's undisputedly the Gem State's leading expert on big kitties with big teeth.

No, real big teeth. Before he moved to Idaho 25 years ago, Akersten studied sabertoothed mammals at the famous Rancho La Brea Tar Pits in Los Angeles. So the man knows his feline canines.

There were two different species of cats that dined on various other mammals at Hagerman, but at least four other, more-ancient sabertoothed animals in Idaho — all long extinct.

Akersten, whose work on big-tooth cats was the subject of a “National Geographic” TV special



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three years ago, has shown that the local sabertoothed cats could not stab with their teeth, but rather bit with them.

“The structure of the muscles and bones of the jaw and cranium, along with the other teeth, showed that stabbing was impossible,” he explained.

“They are strange creatures,” he said. “When you work with hundreds of them, you get interested.”

But, though the fourth “Ice Age” movie is in production, there's so far no evidence of a sabertoothed squirrel.

*Steve Crump is the Times-News Opinion editor.*



Photo courtesy 20th Century Fox

Scrat, 'Ice Age's' sabertoothed squirrel.

## Cougar

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tucked up under a boat. They then warned neighbors — including a family next door whose children were sleeping in a tent — to stay inside until Idaho Department of Fish and Game officers arrived.

“It couldn’t see us and was pretty comfortable,” Fish and Game Conservation Officer Chad Wittermann said of the mountain lion.

Minidoka County Sheriff’s Chief Deputy Vic Watson said the mountain lion was also earlier recorded on video

wandering through the back parking lot of the sheriff’s office.

Wittermann said the cat was 2 to 3 years old and weighed slightly more than 100 pounds.

“Most likely he was just passing through,” Wittermann said. “If we hadn’t darted it, it probably would have left that night.”

An officer certified to tranquilize animals had to be brought down from Carey, so the police and Fish and Game officers stood guard until he arrived. The animal was released deep into the mountain range south of Rupert.

## TODAY'S HAPPENINGS

### ARTS AND ENTERTAINMENT

**West End Theatre Co.’s summer theater program,** free workshop open for middle school and older students, 1 to 3 p.m., Buhl High School auditorium, supports the production of “Hamlet II, Better Than the Original,” 490-1992.

**Let’s Dance Club,** with line, contra, square, circle, couple and round dances, 6 to 10 p.m., Twin Falls Senior Center, 530 Shoshone St. W., \$3, no cost for children younger than age 14 with an adult, 410-5650 or [galenslatter.com](http://galenslatter.com).

**“Melodramas,”** presented by Mount Harrison Heritage Foundation, as part of Rupert’s Fourth of July celebration, 7:30 p.m., Wilson Theatre, F and Fremont streets, Rupert, 678-6868.

### LIBRARY

**Teen Flicks** in Yscapes, movie and snacks, 4 p.m., Twin Falls Public Library, 201 Fourth

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### MUSEUMS AND PARKS

**Faulkner Planetarium “Planet Patrol: Solar System Stake-Out,** 2 p.m.; **“Two Small Pieces of Glass,”** 7 p.m.; and **“U2,”** 8:15 p.m., Herrett Center for Arts and Science, north end of the College of Southern Idaho campus, Twin Falls, education-show tickets: \$4.50 for adults, \$3.50

for seniors and \$2.50 for students, tickets for 8:15 p.m. entertainment show: \$4.50 for all ages, no cost for children younger than age 2, 732-6655 or [csi.edu/herrett](http://csi.edu/herrett).

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# Budgeting process begins for T.F. County

**By Nick Coltrain**  
Times-News writer

It's budget season again for Idaho's counties, this year with the added challenge of a recovering economy and growing needs.

Twin Falls County commissioners will finish the first part of their process today, looking over the “wish lists” of their various departments, as commissioners Terry Kramer and George Urie put it.

Both said they aim to keep the budget at the same final figure as this fiscal year, \$37 million, though it's impossible this early in the process to predict if that will work.

The commissioners won't know how much money the county will have until mid-summer, when property values come in. But with a still-struggling economy and the rising cost of various county services, the three commissioners are playing it safe.

“We tried to give them (department directors) direction and say, ‘look at the economy,’” Kramer said. “Flat is the new up, is my motto.”

Commissioner Tom Mikesell said he wants the budget to be as tight as possible and avoid raising taxes. But he is also bracing for an increase in county health

benefits of about 17 percent. “That will more than likely take up all the extra revenue we get from construction in the area,” he said.

In general, none of the departments are asking for an eye-catching amount of new money, Urie and Kramer said. Urie said some departments are looking at dropping part-time workers in favor of full-time or are moving some cash around. The county Safe House is being virtually cut in half, Kramer said, but that is largely due to lack of use.

The sheriff is asking for about \$300,000 more, split between new equipment and pay raises — though he's

not alone in asking for the latter.

“(Asking for pay raises) is pretty typical,” Urie said. “If you don't ask, then you don't ever get it.”

The county still has about three more steps to go before the final budget can be approved, Urie said. The commissioners and officials from the county clerk's office will likely look at the budget two more times, adjusting where needed, and then present the final version.

County funds largely come from location- and service-dependent levies and property taxes in the county.

## AROUND THE VALLEY

### ISP looking into cold case

The Idaho State Police Investigation Division is seeking information on a woman who may have lived in the Twin Falls area prior to 1993.

A sketch of an unidentified murder victim was recently aired on Minneapolis-area TV stations in an attempt to gain information on the victim, whose body was recovered in 1993. An anonymous tipster in Minnesota identified the victim as Laura Lee Carlson — also known as Laura Lee Ingersoll — who was visiting a relative in Minnesota at the time of her disappearance.

The tipster further stated Carlson was married to Michael Steven Carlson



and both lived in the Twin Falls area at that time.

ISP asks anyone with information about Laura Lee Carlson, Michael Steven Carlson or the whereabouts of any relatives to call its investigation division, 324-6050.

treated and released.

Twin Falls police have not filed any criminal charges in the accident.

### Adams pleads innocent to involuntary manslaughter

Irwin Adams, 20, pleaded not guilty to involuntary manslaughter Monday at the Jerome County Courthouse.

Adams was arraigned Monday morning, when he entered his plea. He was charged May 11, seven months after he was the alleged driver in a rollover accident along 200 East Road near 30 North Road that killed Allen Larsen, 19. A status conference for Adams is scheduled for 9 a.m. on Aug. 30.

— Staff reports

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office has filed for a federal grant to pay for part of the radios that would meet both mandates. Different available radios will meet the first mandate, but not the one to follow.

“We’re preparing for radios to last seven or eight years, not two,” Walker said at the meeting.

But the folks holding the checkbook aren't totally convinced that the sheriff's office needs units right away.

“It's not that I doubt that it needs to be done,” Kramer said on Monday. “We want to try to do it in a more gradual way.”

Carter is also bracing for an increase in gas prices, asking for a 50 percent increase to his fuel budget. “I hope it never happens, but we need to prepare for (\$4-per-gallon gas),” he said.

While Carter isn't asking for new hires for fiscal 2011, he'd like the county to award a

3-percent pay raise to all sheriff's office employees. Carter, Miller and Hughes all expressed a need for the raises for the sake of employee retention.

In addition, Miller explained that some money could be saved by updating wireless Internet cards for computers in sheriff's vehicles. Currently, non-transferable AirCards provide wireless service to the vehicles. If those are swapped out for portable wireless cards that connect to motor-vehicle terminals via USB ports, fewer would be needed, as patrol deputies would check them out for their shifts and return them once off shift. The cheaper service would only cost \$27,000 — 23 percent less than last year's allotment of \$35,000.

The commissioners will release the final budget before the Oct. 1 start of the new fiscal year.

## Water

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increase in water fees will lead to higher rents in her community. She and her husband, Marion, both railed against the fee increase: Marion Cook argued the small amount of arsenic that put the water over federal limits represents a negligible danger, while Margarett pushed the council to ignore the mandate. “Are we going to let this be a state issue, a local issue, or are we going to let the federal government set the rules for our state?” she asked.

City staff told the council the federal government could effectively eliminate growth in the community, punish agriculture businesses that use Twin Falls water and even send someone in the city to jail if it failed to comply with the mandate.

In other council news:

- The city approved a \$3.86 million bid for part four of constructing the arsenic project. Boise-based Owyhee Construction will run water pipes from southern Twin Falls through Floral Avenue east of Madrona Street.
- The council allowed the Twin Falls Police Department to hire Missouri-based consulting firm Praecom to help police comply with a new federal mandate for their radios. The firm may also help officers' radios work better in some radio-unfriendly locations in Twin Falls. The contract will be for no more than \$18,000.

Stowell, who wants to attend Washington State University to be a veterinarian, said she was inspired by her peers at Girls State and looks forward to meeting representatives from other states.

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different offices and debate bills at the Idaho Capitol.

Stowell was councilwoman for her city, served as chairwoman for the Nationalists and was later elected as president pro tempore. Participants also wrote bills and presented them to the other participants. Stowell's bill focused on the need for immigrants to learn English once they have moved to the U.S. Although it failed in the House at Girls State, Stowell

and Alex Winslow of Rathdrum, Idaho's other Girls Nation representative, will bring a similar bill before the other participants from across the county.

Stowell and Winslow were selected to represent their peers at the national level after their cities chose them to interview with a panel of judges. The pair will spend a week learning about federal government procedures and participating in a whirlwind tour of Washington, D.C., that may include a meeting with President Barack Obama.

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“I was the only girl there

who knew how to castrate a calf,” she said. “It's a weird thing to be known for but it was something.”

Stowell said the best part of her time at Girls State was learning not to judge people and to embrace her personality. The worst part was saying goodbye to her peers who had become like sisters, she said.

“It's a great program. I would encourage anyone to do it,” she said. “My family and my city were so supportive when I was interviewing for Girls Nation. I couldn't have done it without them.”

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# Bond election discussed for new Jerome Co. jail

By Amy Huddleston  
Times-News writer

JEROME — Jerome County commissioners continued Monday to discuss all angles of bringing the county a new jail.

The proposed facility's location, whether to seek bond or lease-agreement funding, and the size of the new jail again dominated discussion as commissioners struggled to weigh the county's growing jail needs against taxpayer support for the project.

The original plan for a new \$13.5-million jail and sheriff's office included 165 beds for inmates, a number that may now be reduced due to concerns over the price of such a facility.

If some beds are cut from the plan, Commissioner Charlie Howell said, the county must be prepared to build a jail that can be expanded at a later date.

"When people ask me why we choose to start out with 165 beds, I tell them it's because I don't want to do this all again in 10 years," Howell said.

After measures to fund the facility through a 30-year lease-purchase plan of no more than \$30 million fell flat in two public elections, commissioners have returned to the drawing board to determine how to pay for the project.

Funding a new jail through a bond — which would require another

"A bond is cleaner, cheaper and the taxpayers decide what they want to do with their money."

— Jerome County Prosecutor John Horgan

election or a judge's approval — has been discussed. Other options include again pursuing a lease-purchase plan or paying an outside corporation to run a private prison within the county.

Jerome County Prosecutor John Horgan supported the bond option and the effort to give taxpayers a say in the procedure. He said a bond is a better deal for all parties involved.

"We're not talking about business here, we're talking about government," he said. "A bond is cleaner, cheaper and the taxpayers decide what they want to do with their money."

Commissioners will meet again on July 6 with more information on potential contractors and locations for the new jail. Potential goals, they said, include bringing clear jail cost and size figures to taxpayers and presenting a united plan for discussing and supporting the effort.

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# Allred outpacing Otter in campaign donations

By Ben Botkin  
Times-News writer



Otter



Allred

Democratic gubernatorial candidate Keith Allred is outpacing his Republican rival, incumbent C.L. "Butch" Otter, in the race for campaign cash.

Allred's campaign raised \$118,860 between May 10 and June 4, the most recent reporting period for campaign disclosures, according to the Idaho Secretary of State's Office. Otter's campaign, meanwhile, raised \$95,969 during the same period, records show.

Allred's also ahead in the campaign fundraising season as a whole. Otter has raised \$289,307 between Jan. 1 and June 4, while Allred has pulled in \$360,138, another 24.4 percent overall.

"That is especially gratifying to Keith because his campaign is directed solely at get-

ting government back to the people," said Shea Andersen, spokesman for Allred's campaign.

Andersen said that it's gratifying that the bulk of Allred's donations come from in-state residents, removing any reliance on out-of-state corporations or political action committees to fund a war chest.

"We knew from the get-go that Butch Otter would have significant, what I'll call 'institutional support,' and for Keith to get to match that or at least be competitive, we are going to need to rely on a

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out the summer.

Field also pointed to two big donations Allred received that played a role in his contributions outpacing Otter's: \$10,000 from the Washington, D.C.-based Democratic Governors Association and another \$6,900 from the Idaho State AFL-CIO labor union.

Besides individual contributions, Otter's campaign has received \$22,050 from eight different political action committees, representing interests that include the trucking industry, loggers, general contractors and Qwest.

The candidates' spending patterns vary more than their fundraising. Allred's campaign has spent \$297,106, while Otter's campaign has spent \$444,193. Otter started out the year with \$316,417 cash on hand, while Allred began 2010 with \$126,962.

## 5TH DISTRICT COURT NEWS

### TWIN FALLS COUNTY MONDAY ARRAIGNMENTS

Andrew Douglas Bemis, 21, Twin Falls; eluding an officer, driving without privileges, appearance, \$100 bond, public defender appointed, pretrial July 20.  
Andrew Douglas Bemis, 21, Twin Falls; driving under the influence, appearance, \$5,000 bond, public defender appointed, preliminary July 9.  
Andres Benitez-Sanchez, 45, Jerome; failure to purchase a driver's license, driving under the influence, open container, appearance, \$2,500 bond, public defender appointed, pretrial July 20.  
Armando R. Vazquez, 42, Jerome;

failure to purchase a driver's license, appearance, \$300 bond, private counsel, pretrial July 20.  
Mozes Joseph Jimenez, 20, Wendell; rape, appearance, \$150,000 bond, public defender appointed, preliminary July 9.  
Joseph Richard Lobo Sr., 39, Buhl; domestic battery, appearance, \$1,000 bond, public defender appointed, pretrial July 20.  
Dewey Ray Boatman, 43, Twin Falls; possession of a controlled substance, appearance, \$50,000 bond, public defender appointed, preliminary July 9.  
Patrick Clifford Webber, 36, Filer; domestic battery, appearance, \$5,000 bond, public defender

appointed, pretrial July 20.  
Trisha Cordelia Talamantes, 29, Kimberly; domestic battery, appearance, \$300 bond, public defender appointed, pretrial July 20.  
Todd Richard Summers, 47, Twin Falls; driving under the influence, appearance, public defender appointed, preliminary July 9.  
Felicia Victoria Rodriguez, 23, Idaho Falls; possession of a controlled substance, appearance, \$15,000 bond, public defender appointed, preliminary July 9.  
John Manuel Sosa, 33, Hansen; petit theft (two counts), appearance, \$100 bond, public defender appointed, pretrial July 20.

John Manuel Sosa, 33, Hansen; burglary, appearance, \$25,000 bond, public defender appointed, preliminary July 9.  
Lori Lynn Vega, 32, Hansen; petit theft (two counts), appearance, public defender appointed, pretrial July 20.  
Lori Lynn Vega, 32, Hansen; burglary, appearance, \$2,000 bond, public defender appointed, preliminary July 9.  
Shawna Lee Bowman, 31, Twin Falls; burglary, appearance, \$10,000 bond, public defender appointed, preliminary July 9.  
Danny Howard Guthrie, 34, Twin Falls; domestic battery, appearance, \$300 bond, public defender appointed, pretrial July 20.

## Guns

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Chicago Mayor Richard Daley said he was disappointed with the ruling, adding that officials already are at work rewriting the ordinance to meet the court's gun rights guarantee and protect Chicago residents from gun violence.

Alito made plain that local officials still have some leeway in crafting gun laws. He noted that the declaration that the Second Amendment is fully binding on states and cities "limits (but by no means eliminates) their ability to devise solutions to social problems that suit local needs and values."

Justices John Paul Stevens and Stephen Breyer, joined by Justices Ruth Bader Ginsburg and Sonia Sotomayor, each wrote a dissent. Stevens said that unlike the Washington case, Monday's decision "could prove far more destructive — quite literally — to our nation's communities and to our constitutional structure."

The ruling seemed unlikely to resolve questions and ongoing legal challenges about precisely what sort of gun control laws are permissible.

The response of the District to the court's ruling in 2008 is illustrative of the uncertainty.

Local lawmakers in Washington, D.C. imposed a series of regulations on handgun ownership, including requirements to register weapons and to submit to a multiple-choice test, fingerprinting and a ballistics test.



AP photo

Chicago Mayor Richard M. Daley speaks during a news conference Monday in Chicago. Daley said he's disappointed by Monday's widely expected Supreme Court decision that Americans have a right to own a gun for self-defense anywhere but promised to soon push for a new ordinance regulating handguns in the city.

Owners must also show they have gotten classroom instruction on handling a gun and have spent at least an hour on the firing range. Some 800 people have now registered handguns in the city.

Anticipating a similar result in their case, Chicago lawmakers are looking at even more stringent regulations.

But the new regulations are likely to themselves be the subject of lawsuits, a fact noted by the dissenting jus-

tices Monday. Already in Washington, Dick Heller, the plaintiff in the original case before the Supreme Court, has sued the city over its new laws.

Heller argues that the stringent restrictions violate the intent of the high court's decision. So far, a federal judge has upheld the limitations, but the case has been appealed.

Wayne LaPierre, executive vice president of the National Rifle Association, said his politically powerful group

"will continue to work at every level to insure that defiant city councils and cynical politicians do not transform this constitutional victory into a practical defeat through Byzantine regulations and restrictions."

New York Mayor Michael Bloomberg, an ardent proponent of gun control, said the ruling allows cities "to keep guns out of the hands of criminals and terrorists while at the same time respecting the constitutional rights of law-abiding citizens."

New York does not ban guns, but restricts who can have them.

The court also was split between liberals and conservatives in its 5-4 ruling against a Christian student group that sought official recognition from the University of California's Hastings College of the Law.

The Christian Legal Society requires that voting members sign a statement of faith and regards "unrepentant participation in or advocacy of a sexually immoral lifestyle" as being inconsistent with that faith.

But Hastings said no recognized campus groups may exclude people due to religious belief or sexual orientation.

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# Kagan pledges impartiality, restraint as court justice

WASHINGTON (AP) — Elena Kagan pledged to be a model of impartiality and restraint as a Supreme Court justice as the Senate opened confirmation hearings Monday, but she still braced for a grilling by Republicans who suggest she'd let liberal views color her rulings.

Breaking weeks of public silence since President Barack Obama nominated her to be the fourth woman in the court's history, Kagan called the Supreme Court "a wondrous institution" but one with limited powers under the Constitution. She billed herself as a consensus-builder for the ideologically polarized court and said she'd strive to emulate retiring Justice John Paul Stevens — the man she's been chosen to succeed — by "listening to each party with a mind as open as his ... to render impartial justice."

The 50-year-old solicitor general and former Harvard Law School dean appeared on track for confirmation before the court opens a new term in October as she delivered her brief statement at the end of a day of senatorial speechmaking in a cavernous hearing room on Capitol Hill. However, the deep partisan divide over the court — and Kagan's fitness to serve there — was evident.

Sen. Patrick Leahy, D-Vt., the Judiciary Committee chairman, called Kagan's views "well within the legal mainstream."

Sen. Jeff Sessions of Alabama, the panel's top Republican, countered that her "career has been consumed more by politics than law."

Kagan, who has been cramming in private rehearsals for the thrust and



Elena Kagan, President Barack Obama's nominee to be a justice on the Supreme Court, is sworn in by Senate Judiciary Committee Chairman Patrick Leahy, D-Vt., on the first day of her confirmation hearings on Capitol Hill in Washington, Monday.

parry of the hearings, faces a long Tuesday of close questioning by senators, friendly and otherwise. She's likely to field queries on a wide range of legal issues as well as her decision as Harvard Law dean to bar military recruiters from the campus career services office because of the Pentagon's ban on openly gay soldiers.

"It's not a coronation but a confirmation process," said Sessions. He said Kagan has "less real legal experience (than) any nominee in at least 50 years." And he said her stance on military recruitment violated the law — a legal conclusion disputed by the White House.

Kagan said her career has taught her about the importance of a modest court and open-mindedness when dealing with opposing views.

The Supreme Court "has the responsibility of ensuring

that our government never oversteps its proper bounds or violates the rights of individuals. But the court must also recognize the limits on itself and respect the choices made by the American people," Kagan said. "I will do my best to consider every case impartially, modestly, with commitment to principle and in accordance with law."

Her remarks seemed designed to blunt conservatives' argument that she would bend the law to suit her own agenda — and also to reassure liberals that she would be a counterweight to

what they characterize as a pro-business, conservative-dominated court that has done just that in recent years.

Republicans and Democrats alike used the hearing to rail against "judicial activism." The GOP, seeking to tap into tea party disgust with a federal government many members say has overstepped its bounds, has portrayed Kagan as a prime example of what they charge is Obama's desire to populate the nation's court with liberals willing to stretch the law to achieve preferred policy outcomes.

# U.S. charges 11 with acting as secret agents for Russia

By Richard A. Serrano  
Tribune Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON — Federal officials charged eleven people on the East Coast as secret agents of Russia Monday in a multi-year investigation that turned up allegations of a vast undercover network designed to collect fresh information for Moscow, including new U.S. nuclear weapons research.

The alleged spy ring's members were given the single, primary goal of becoming "sufficiently 'Americanized'" to gain access to the U.S. government's planning and policy apparatus, the FBI said in documents supporting the charges.

To dramatize that point, U.S. officials said they decrypted a 2009 message sent to two of the alleged co-conspirators.

"You were sent to USA for long-term service trip," the intercepted message read. "Your education, bank accounts, car, house etc. — all these serve one goal: fulfill your main mission, i.e., to search and develop ties in policymaking circles in U.S. and send intels (intelligence reports) to C."

"C" was identified as the Russian foreign intelligence headquarters in Moscow,

also known as "Moscow Center."

Some of the material collected and transmitted by the accused spies dealt with U.S. research on nuclear "bunker buster" bombs, according to the federal document charging the members of the ring. They also sought information on Pentagon planning, U.S. policy toward Central Asia and research on terrorists gaining access to the Internet.

The charges also state that one of the defendants had "established contact" with a former high-ranking U.S. national security official who was unidentified.

Former President George W. Bush's administration once proposed a nuclear bunker buster bomb, but only a non-nuclear version of the weapon has been pursued.

Ten of the suspects were arrested in Virginia, New York, New Jersey and Boston and charged with federal offenses ranging from conspiring to act as unlawful foreign agents to conspiracy to commit money laundering. An 11th suspect remained at large Monday.

Appearing in federal courts along the East Coast, they face prison sentences ranging from five to 20 years, if convicted.

## Idaho jobless to exhaust benefits by end of Aug.

BOISE, Idaho (AP) — The state expects thousands of jobless workers to exhaust their unemployment benefits through the end of August after an extension was defeated in Congress.

A bill that included \$35.5 billion to extend benefits for the long-term unemployed and \$16 billion for Medicaid, the public health care program for the poor, died in the Senate this month.

In Idaho, where tax revenue collections have only recently started to beat forecasts for the first time in six months, the state Department of Labor predicts between 800 and 1,200 people a week will exhaust their benefits through August.

"That's a big drain on everything," said State Budget Chief Wayne Hammon. "Those people are now paying sales tax; they're buying auto fuel; they're buying groceries."

The federal stimulus program enacted last year is set to expire in December. The legislation allowed unemployed to get benefits for up to 73 weeks beyond the 10 to

26 weeks covered by the state.

Eligible workers receive up to \$359 per week in unemployment compensation.

Congress had been poised to extend some federal stimulus funding to states through June 2011, but Senate Republicans defeated the measure, citing an already staggering \$13 trillion national debt.

The federal government covered 70 percent of Idaho's \$1.4 billion Medicaid program, but in February 2009 that jumped to about 80 percent with President Barack Obama's signature on a massive spending bill.

The boost in federal payments saved millions that the state was able to shift elsewhere to fill budget holes. But the failure of the stimulus bill this month will bring an end to those increased Medicaid payments.

The budget Idaho lawmakers approved for the next fiscal year, which starts Thursday, includes about \$67 million in Medicaid money that now won't be available.

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Dorothy Jean McNeil Evans

Dorothy Jean McNeil Evans, 88, of Twin Falls, passed away Monday, June 28, 2010, at St. Luke's Magic Valley Medical Center in Twin Falls.

She was born Jan. 13, 1922, in Blackfoot, Idaho, to Archie and Abby Nyman McNeil. Dorothy Jean attended schools in Blackfoot, graduating from Blackfoot High School in 1940.

On Nov. 15, 1940, she married William D. (Bill) Evans. In 1951, Bill and Jean purchased Evans Trading Post in Fort Hall, Idaho, from Bill's father and uncle. They operated the store until 1969, when they sold it and moved to Winnemucca, Nev., where Bill went to work for Kracaw Farms. Dorothy Jean loved Winnemucca but, after Bill's death in 1986, she moved back to Blackfoot to be near her children and family. In 1998, she moved to Twin Falls again to be near her children.

Dorothy Jean is survived by a son, William Kent (Lesley) Evans of Casa Grande, Ariz.; a daughter, Sue Ann "Shani" (Bob) Murray of Green Valley, Ariz.; five grandchildren, K.C. Kracaw, Lori Evans



(Brian) Donaldson, Katie Kracaw, Eric (Sherri) Evans and Emilee Evans (Jarrod) Golay; and eight great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband; sisters, Zelda Williams and Elva Hopkins; one son, Mac Neil; and daughter-in-law, Janice Evans.

At Jean's request, she was cremated and her remains will be buried next to Bill at the Grove City Cemetery in Blackfoot. We invite all family and friends to gather from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Thursday, July 8, at Hawker Funeral Home, 132 S. Shilling in Blackfoot; a graveside service will follow.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be made to the Twin Falls Public Library Foundation, Large Print Section, 201 Fourth Ave. E. in Twin Falls, ID 83301.

We will all miss Mom's wonderful outlook on life and her infectious laugh!

Jean Rowe Lejardi

GOODING — Jean Rowe Lejardi, 64, a resident of Gooding, passed away Friday, June 25, 2010, at St. Luke's Magic Valley Medical Center in Twin Falls.

Jean was born Dec. 18, 1945, in Mount Pleasant, Utah, the daughter of Betty Rowe Allred and granddaughter of Rodney Rowe and Venetta Christensen Rowe. It was in Mount Pleasant as a child that her profound love of the mountains and wilderness was cultivated. She spent her days working on the family farm, riding horses and seeking adventures in the surrounding countryside.

Music was always an important family tradition, and it became clear from an early age that Jean had the gift of song. As early as age 8, she began singing at funerals, weddings, church functions and other events in Mount Pleasant and even in surrounding towns. She would go on to continue sharing her beautiful voice with others for the rest of her life, believing that music was the gateway to the soul.

Jean attended North Sanpete High School and graduated in 1964. She then went on to attend Snow College in Ephraim, Utah, where she graduated with an associate degree in sociology in 1966. There she gained wide acclaim for her roles in many musical theater productions, including Kate in "Kiss Me Kate" and Mother Abbess in "The Sound of Music." After college, she went on to marry Bill Southwick in 1966 and lived in California for a brief period. The couple welcomed three children, HollyAnn (deceased), Camille and Brandon. She and her children later moved to Gooding, Idaho, in 1976 and, in 1979, she married Andres Lejardi; the couple welcomed a daughter, Cristina.

While in Gooding, Jean attained employment at the Idaho State School for the Deaf and Blind. There she discovered her true calling in serving the multi-handicapped and special needs children, and later the deaf and blind children in the school's cottages. She also worked at both the Gooding and Wendell public libraries, where she was able to share her passion for reading and learning with others. Always having a special place in her heart for all children, she



cherished her time at both the school and library.

Jean touched the hearts of many with her insatiable desire to serve others. Whether it was through church callings or helping a friend or loved one in need, she was always willing to serve those around her. She loved her friends and family unconditionally, always placing their needs ahead of her own. Laughter and humor were a part of her soul and gave their gift of remedy to all in her presence. To know her was to love her incredible spirit and zest for life, love and laughter.

Jean was preceded in death by her daughter, HollyAnn; her mother, Betty Allred; grandparents, Helena Christensen Rowe and Rodney Rowe; and brother, Rodney Loren Rowe. She is survived by her children, Camille (Marty) Clough of Beulah, Colo., Brandon Southwick of Twin Falls and Cristina Lejardi of Orlando, Fla.; best friend, Andy Lejardi of Gooding; grandchildren, Brianna Varastehpour and Arianna Varastehpour of Los Angeles, Calif., Brevin Jackson and Brooklyn Jackson of Jerome, and Ben Southwick of Manitoba, Canada; sisters, Eudora Nielson of Salt Lake City, Utah, Aleen (Marcus) Olpin of Nephi, Utah, Rita Christensen of Ogden, Utah, Nadine (Lloyd) Gatherum of Mesquite, Nev., Leslie (Steve) Lupter of Kearns, Utah, Michelle (Sheldon) Nielsen of Springville, Utah, Jan (Milt) Carter of Springville, Utah, and Laura (Richard) Allen of St. George, Utah, and many nieces and nephews.

The funeral will be held at 11 a.m. Wednesday, June 30, at the Gooding LDS Church, with Bishop Mike Patton presiding. A viewing will be held between 5 and 7 p.m. Tuesday, June 29, at Demaray Funeral Service, Gooding Chapel, and one hour before the funeral Wednesday at the church. Burial will follow at the Elmwood Cemetery in Gooding.

Robert Cole Inouye

LAS VEGAS — Robert Cole Inouye, passed away Friday, June 18, 2010, at the all-too-young age of 23. He was joined in death by his sister, Tiffanee Anderson. Their passing was a result of injuries sustained in a motor vehicle accident.

He was born July 11, 1986, in Twin Falls, Idaho. He graduated from Eldorado High School in 2004, where he played baseball.

He was preceded in death by his grandmother, Carla Phillips of Portland, Ore.; and grandfather, John Winston Copeland of Burlington, N.C. Cole is survived by his parents, Stacy and Melodee Anderson; and brother, Chase Tyler Anderson of Las Vegas, Nev.; and parents, John Winston and Chris Inouye; and brothers, John, Jacob and James Inouye of Burley. He also leaves his grandparents, Norman and Lajune Dayley of Albion, Janet and Max Ableidinger and David and Gail Anderson, all of Declo, and Mits and Millie Inouye of Twin Falls. He is also survived by many aunts, uncles and cousins who loved him dearly.

Cole loved life. His contagious smile could light up even the darkest room. All who met him were energized and could feel his enthusiasm for life. One of Cole's greatest attributes was his kind heart and ability to empathize with others. Cole



lived life 110 percent, never doing things halfway. He loved the young and old alike and felt comfortable with all. He loved the outdoors and enjoyed hunting, camping, fishing and snowboarding. He spent a season sharing that passion as a snowboarding instructor in Idaho. His intensity was not just present in his pursuit of work and activities but also in the giving and sharing of his love for his family. His brothers, sister and family never doubted his love for them. His loss will be felt deeply by all, but his smile will be with us forever.

A memorial service will be held at 6 p.m. Thursday, July 1, at the Burley United Methodist Church, 450 E. 27th St., where friends may call one hour prior to the service. Officiating will be the Rev. Karen Puckett.

Arrangements have been entrusted to the care of the Rasmussen Funeral Home of Burley.

Mildred (Milly) Grace Harman Jacobs

BEAVERTON, ORE. — Mildred (Milly) Grace Harman Jacobs, of Beaverton, Ore., died Thursday, June 17, 2010, in Portland, Ore.

She was born June 9, 1914, in Bristow, Neb., but moved to Idaho with her parents, Emory and Helen Hartman, when she was 4 years old. Milly graduated from Twin Falls High School in 1932, attended Albion Normal School for two years and graduated from Idaho State University. She married Ben W. Jacobs in 1939 and lived in Twin Falls many years before retiring to their mountain home in the Sawtooth Mountains. She was preceded in death by Ben in 1995.

Milly taught elementary school in Idaho for 33 years, 25 of which were in Twin Falls at Bickel and Harrison

Schools. In later years, she substituted at the elementary school in Stanley. She will be remembered as an excellent educator of children and lover of people and her God. She was a member of the First Methodist Church of Twin Falls for many years. She served as secretary-treasurer for the Stanley Chamber of Commerce and was a member of the Sawtooth Interpretive and Historical Association during the 1980s.

Milly is survived by her brother, Ed Hartman of Jerome; son, Brent W. Jacobs of Beaverton, Ore.; daughter-in-law, Jennifer Jacobs; grandsons, Brian and Andy Jacobs; granddaughter-in-law, Wendy Jacobs; and great-granddaughters, Jaelyn and Savannah Jacobs.

SERVICES

**Levi Harold Stanger** of Burley, funeral at 11 a.m. today at the View LDS Church, 550 S. 490 E. of Burley, visitation from 10 to 10:45 a.m. today at the church Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St. in Burley.

**Harland W. Wilson** of Bliss, graveside service at 11 a.m. today at the Hagerman Cemetery (Demaray Funeral Service, Gooding Chapel).

**Charles Owen Gossett** of Boise, memorial service at 2 p.m. today at Hansen-Payne Mortuary, 321 E. Main St. in Burley; visitation one hour before the service at the mortuary.

**Olive P. Gray** of Boise and formerly of Shoshone, funeral Mass at 6 p.m. today at Our Lady of the Rosary Catholic Church, 1500 E. Wright St. in Boise (Accent Funeral Home in Meridian).

**Don B. Workman** of Richfield, service at 10 a.m. Wednesday at the Richfield Cemetery (Farnsworth Mortuary in Jerome).

**Ruby Ethel (Fullerton) Gochmour** of Burley, funeral at 11 a.m. Wednesday at the Burley First Christian Church, 1401 Oakley Ave.: visitation from 6 to 8 p.m. today at the Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St. in Burley, and 10 to 10:45 a.m. Wednesday at the church.

**Barbara Jean (Young) Spencer** of Boise and formerly of Twin Falls, graveside service at 11 a.m. Wednesday at the Twin Falls

Cemetery; visitation from 5 to 7 p.m. today at Summers Funeral Homes, 1205 W. Bannock St. in Boise.

**Frank McDanniel "Mac" Crowther** of Richfield, funeral at 11 a.m. Wednesday at the Richfield LDS Church; visitation from 6 to 8 p.m. today and one hour before the funeral Wednesday at the church (Farnsworth Mortuary in Jerome).

**Devin Scott Critchfield of Oakley**, funeral at 1 p.m. Wednesday at the Oakley LDS Stake Center, 355 N. Center St.; visitation from noon to 12:45 p.m. Wednesday at the church; graveside service at 11 a.m. Thursday at Mountain View Cemetery, 3115 Bengal Blvd. in Cottonwood Heights, Utah (Morrison Funeral Home in Rupert).

**Gene Lewis Whitesides** of Burley, funeral at 1 p.m. Wednesday at the Morrison Funeral Home, 188 S. Highway 24 in Rupert; visitation from noon to 12:45 p.m. Wednesday at the mortuary.

**Lynn Stevenson** of Wendell, funeral at 2 p.m. Wednesday at the Wendell LDS Church, 605 N. Idaho St.; visitation from 6 to 8 p.m. today and one hour before the funeral Wednesday at the church (Farnsworth Mortuary in Jerome).

**Joan Rose Sheen Nelson Allen** of Umatilla, Ore., and formerly of Rupert, memorial urn burial at 4 p.m. Friday at the Rupert Cemetery, 450 N. Meridian in Rupert.

Dora C. Perotto

RUPERT — Dora Carlotta Perotto, age 86, of Rupert, passed away on Saturday, June 26, 2010, at the Minidoka Memorial Hospital.

She was born Nov. 26, 1923, in Rupert, Idaho, the daughter of Olindo and Inez Katherine Dallolio Paoli. She attended school in Rupert and graduated from Rupert High School. She married Aldo Perotto on Nov. 18, 1941, in Rupert. Together, they had two sons, Roger and Randy. Dora was privileged to be a stay-at-home wife and mother. She used her wonderful homemaking skills in creating a loving and inviting atmosphere. Dora enjoyed flower gardening, cooking and reading cookbooks.

After the passing of her husband, Aldo, in 1976, Dora met Stan Winter. He has been her loving and devoted companion since 1978. They enjoyed dancing for many years. In her later years, Dora delighted in spending time with her grandchildren and great-grandchildren. She had a large loving family and many friends. Dora will be



greatly missed. She is survived by her dear friend and companion, Stan Winter of Rupert; her son, Roger A. Perotto of Boise; two brothers, Dick (Shirley) Paoli of Rupert and Paul (Helen) Paoli of Gooding; seven grandchildren; and 11 great-grandchildren. In addition to her husband, Aldo, she was preceded in death by her parents; one brother, Lindo Paoli; two sisters, Ada Marie Pope and Darlene Zampedri; and her son, Randy M. Perotto.

A memorial service will be held at 1 p.m. Thursday, July 1, at the Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St. in Burley.

DEATH NOTICES

Orville W. Heiner

BURLEY — Orville W. Heiner, 89, of Burley, died Saturday, June 26, 2010, at the Cassia Regional Medical Center in Burley.

The funeral will be at 1 p.m. Friday, July 2, at the Burley LDS 2nd and 4th Ward Church, 515 E. 16th St.; visitation from 6 to 8 p.m. Thursday, July 1, at the Hansen-Payne Mortuary, 321 E. Main St. in Burley, and one hour before the service Friday at the church.

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# OPINION

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"We are engaged in the most aggressive operations in the history of the CIA in that part of the world, and the result is that we are disrupting their leadership."  
 — CIA Director Leon Panetta saying the U.S. has driven al-Qaida into hiding and undermined its leadership

EDITORIAL

## If you're not upset by militia scheme, you ought to be

**M**uch of the Tea Party that turned into the Idaho Republican Convention last weekend in Idaho Falls was harmless enough. The 17th Amendment isn't going to be repealed, despite the convention's fervent resolution to the contrary. The so-called "loyalty oath" will be roundly ignored by GOP candidates from Bonners Ferry to Montpelier. And the notion that the Idaho Constitution should be amended to forbid a transgender person from marrying is laughable on its face.

But the suggestion, narrowly defeated by the full convention after being approved by a committee, that Idaho form a parallel militia to the National Guard is deeply troubling.

The idea isn't new — it originated in the Legislature last winter, and it's likely to resurface. The Idaho Republican Convention rejected it because of cost considerations, not because of the bad idea that it is.

Supporters argue that a militia could assist with natural disasters when the National Guard is otherwise occupied — and wouldn't be under the control of the Pentagon and the president, as the Guard is.

Sounds more to us like a state-chartered constabulary to enforce the private agenda of whomever is in power in Idaho.

It's been suggested before, by Democratic Gov. Moses Alexander during World War I as a guard against alleged German saboteurs and by Alexander's Republican successor, D.W. Davis, as a hedge against Bolshevism.

Those ideas went nowhere, thank heaven. We take strong exception to idea of an armed force without federal restraints at the disposal of the governor and the Legislature. If a volunteer army is needed during a natural disaster, Idahoans can rise to the occasion without a general in charge.

Freelance government-sanctioned militias were commonplace in Germany and Italy in the years between the First and Second World wars. History has seen how that turned out.

But the fact that the militia proposal got as far as it did should concern all Idahoans. And the very suggestion is likely to make companies looking to relocate in the Gem State think twice.

The perception that Idaho has way too many political wingnuts has already hurt economic development here. Let's not give Idaho skeptics any more ammunition.

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# What is the Internet doing to our brains?

**A** year ago, the satirical newspaper *The Onion* reported some startling faux news under a Palo Alto, Calif., dateline:



Kevin Horrigan

"A new report published this week by researchers at Stanford University suggests that Americans spend the vast majority of each day staring at, interacting with, and deriving satisfaction from glowing rectangles.

"From the moment they wake up in the morning, to the moment they lose consciousness at night, Americans are in near-constant visual contact with bright, pulsating rectangles," said Richard Menken, lead author of the report, looking up briefly from the gleaming quadrangle that sits on his desk. "In fact, it's hard to find a single minute during which the American public is not completely captivated by these shining ... these dazzling ..."

"I'm sorry," Menken continued. "What were we discussing again?"

As usual, the geniuses at *The Onion* were ahead of the news curve. Now comes some real news that ubiquitous interaction with glowing rectangles — particularly computers, cell phones and other Internet-connected devices — may be altering not only the way we interact with other people, but also our fundamental intelligence.

"Is Google Making Us Stupid?" was the title of a controversial article published two years ago in *The Atlantic* by Nicholas Carr, the author and social critic whom computer nerds love to hate. Now, Carr has elaborated on the subject in "The Shallows: What the



"Already some social scientists have identified a symptom they call 'FOMO,' or Fear of Missing Out. People who are wired 18 hours a day — assuming they spend six hours sleeping — report symptoms of anxiety, even addiction, to their Internet connections."

Internet is Doing to Our Brains?"

"The Shallows" is a 276-page book. Ironically, if Carr's theories are right, its very length means that it won't be read by the people who most need to read it.

In his *Atlantic* article, Carr quoted Maryanne Wolf, a developmental psychologist at Tufts University: "We are not only what we read. We are how we read." Wolf worries that the style of reading promoted by the Net, a style that puts 'efficiency' and 'immediacy' above all else, may be weakening our capacity for the kind of deep reading that emerged when an earlier technology, the printing press, made long and complex works of prose commonplace. When we read online, she says, we tend to become 'mere decoders of information.' Our ability to interpret text, to make the rich mental connections that form when

we read deeply and without distraction, remains largely disengaged."

Carr warns, "the Net isn't the alphabet, and although it may replace the printing press, it produces something altogether different. The kind of deep reading that a sequence of printed pages promotes is valuable not just for the knowledge we acquire from the author's words but for the intellectual vibrations those words set off within our own minds."

The effect is not just philosophical or theoretical, but biological. Carr explores the science of neuroplasticity, which has demonstrated the neural pathways in the human brain can be rewired. "Evolution has given us a brain that can literally change its mind — over and over again," he writes.

In theory, the Internet, over time, may rewire our brains so that we are less capable of sustained atten-

tion and deep thought. "The mental functions that are losing the 'survival of the fittest' brain cell battle are those that support calm, linear thought, the ones we use when traversing a lengthy narrative or an involved argument. Already some social scientists have identified a symptom they call "FOMO," or Fear of Missing Out." People who are wired 18 hours a day report symptoms of anxiety, even addiction, to their Internet connections.

If you ever have spoiled a family dinner or vacation or interrupted a face-to-face conversation with a friend to check e-mail or Facebook, you could be at risk for FOMO. But if you've made it this far — more than 700 words into a newspaper column — you're probably safe.

Kevin Horrigan is a columnist for the *St. Louis Post-Dispatch*.

## So long to 'Nute, who was better than sports

**S**ports stars often make headlines with spectacular misconduct, and they don't use their celebrity enough to make the world a better place. But every now and then, along comes a star as gifted ethically as athletically — and I'm thinking now of one of the greatest basketball players ever.

Certainly not one of the best shooters, for he averaged only 2.6 points a game. But Manute Bol, at more than 7 feet, 6 inches tall, was a moral giant who was unsurpassed in leveraging his fame on behalf of the neediest people on earth.

Bol died on Saturday from a noxious mix of ailments, exacerbated by his insistence on working in Sudan to build schools and forestall a new civil war. Bol's great dream was to build 41 new schools across Sudan.

It's a lofty dream, particularly because he is no longer around to speak at fundraisers. It's almost as inconceivable as the dream he had



Nicholas Kristof

when he was an African cattle-herder aspiring to play in the N.B.A. — and this too can be a slam-dunk, posthumously, if his fans help out.

If each admirer chipped in the cost of a ticket to just one game, if each of his former teams agreed to match donations, if a few current and former NBA stars agreed to stand in for Bol at fundraisers, why then schools would sprout all across Sudan.

The first of Bol's 41 schools is now approaching completion in his childhood village, said Tom Prichard, executive director of Sudan Sunrise, the charity that Bol used to build his schools. Forty to go.

Bol grew up herding cattle. Twice he ran away in

hopes of attending school, but he never got much formal education. He moved to the United States and played in the NBA from 1985 to 1995, setting a rookie record for blocking shots. He was a curiosity, the tallest player in the league when he started.

As Bol began playing before large crowds in America, his homeland exploded in violence. Northern Sudan waged a savage war against the South, costing roughly two million lives. American officials and news organizations mostly looked the other way, but Bol worked passionately to ease the suffering.

Bol made his American home in Olathe, Kan., and a local paper, *The Kansas City Star*, made a larger point a few weeks before he died:

"Bol symbolizes an unfortunate side of our sports obsession and how we measure the worth of those who play," *The Star* noted. "The best athletes get the love, most times regardless of what they do away from

sport. Bol, doing the work of a saint, is largely ignored."

A new civil war may be brewing today in Sudan: The South is expected to secede early next year in accordance with an international treaty, and many fear that the North will unleash war rather than lose oil wells in the South. President Obama and his administration have been weak and ineffective toward Sudan in ways that make another horrific war there more likely. We can only hope that President Obama and his aides will be bolstered by Bol's gumption and moral compass.

Bol will never be able to cut the ribbon at the schools he dreamed of. But we can pick up where he left off. In a world with so much athletic narcissism, let's celebrate a Most Valuable Humanitarian by building schools through his charity, [www.SudanSunrise.com](http://www.SudanSunrise.com).

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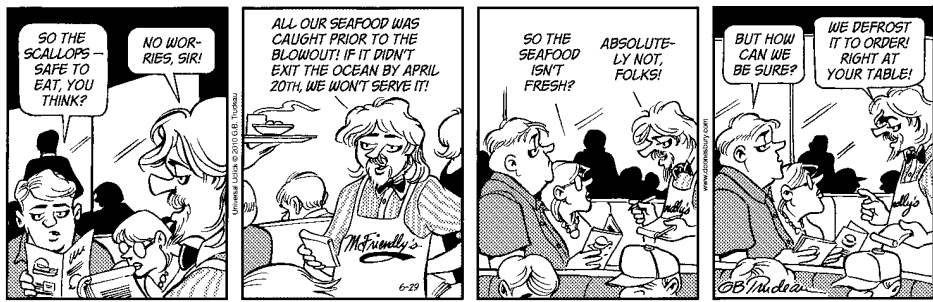
## THE LIGHTER SIDE OF POLITICS

Doonesbury

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# Why Afghanistan could end up looking like Lebanon

While President Obama is surging troops into Afghanistan and money into Pakistan, plans are being laid for a negotiated settlement to be reached before the beginning of the American draw-down in July 2011. Gen. David Petraeus' appointment last week as U.S. commander in Afghanistan increases the urgency of defining the terms of such a settlement.

For those of us who listen carefully to silence, the most interesting part of the president's West Point commencement address last month was his failure to declare any end state for the war in Afghanistan and Pakistan. He was clear he wanted "an Iraq that provides no safe haven to terrorists; a democratic Iraq that is sovereign, stable and self-reliant." But he said nothing comparable about Afghanistan.

This silence is rooted in the growing conviction that even if the U.S. and its coalition allies can succeed this summer in clearing a town like Kandahar of Taliban fighters, there is no one to hold the terrain, build the necessary institutions or accept responsibility once the military has completed its work.

The State Department and the U.S. Agency for International Development are still not confident of civilian capabilities. The Afghan government clearly cannot carry the burden.

So the administration is looking for a decent, negotiated exit. The Pakistani intelligence service would act as a surrogate for the Taliban, as Slobodan Milosevic did for the Bosnian Serbs 15 years ago. The Americans would deliver Kabul. The deal might keep al-Qaida in Pakistan, where Islamabad would agree to deal harshly with its fighters.

If the Taliban does come to power in part of Afghanistan, the country could start to look like Lebanon: Hezbollah controls large portions of the country, operates its own military forces and delivers services to large parts of the population, but the United States and other countries have embassies in Beirut, deal regularly with the government and parliament, and try to persuade Lebanese authorities to limit the sway and reach of Hezbollah.

The parallels suggest less palatable comparisons: Hezbollah-controlled territory is far from free. It is hard to imagine Taliban-controlled territory would be more so. At least Hezbollah is contained by strict Israeli border security. Nothing like that exists on the highly porous Afghan-Pakistan border. The Taliban is far less



Daniel Serwer

interested in governing than Hezbollah is and is far less popular.

Hezbollah projects Iranian influence and is an important source of regional instability, training and arms to those who threaten Israel and more moderate Arab states. Even if the Taliban did not try to attack the United States, it could still prove inimical to U.S. interests, as it has in Pakistan.

While Afghan President Hamid Karzai would gladly end a war that pits him against fellow Pashtuns, the Taliban's Afghan enemies are unlikely to appreciate a large fraction of their country being turned over to those who regard the Quetta Shura, which runs the most important segment of the Taliban, as the ultimate authority.

Karzai recently fired two key security officials, ostensibly for allowing attacks on the national peace conference that gave him more or less a blank check in dealing with the Taliban. The men he fired were tough Afghan nationalist opponents of the Quetta Shura and their perceived backers in Pakistan.

Who replaces them as interior minister and intelligence chief will send signals to Pakistan and the Taliban. If Karzai replaces them with people more to the liking of Islamabad it will indicate the door is open to negotiations.

What is not clear is whether the Taliban wants to come calling. The fighters seem to be feeling little pain despite courageous Afghan and American efforts on the battlefield. And Pakistan may not be willing, or able, to force the Taliban to deal.

The only one that seems really to matter to Obama is blocking al-Qaida's return to Afghanistan.

Other outcomes are still possible. The president should start by specifying his desired end state. "An Afghanistan that provides no safe haven to terrorists, ensures equal rights to all its citizens and maintains its sovereignty with international help but without foreign troops on its territory" might be a good place to start. But then he would likely have to keep U.S. troops in Afghanistan well past the next election, as he seems increasingly to be recognizing.

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# BP bankruptcy is Obama's worst nightmare

It would be a "horror," a "disaster," according to lawyer Kenneth Feinberg, who was appointed by President Barack Obama to administer BP's \$20 billion compensation fund for victims of the Gulf oil spill. "That is not an option."



Caroline Baum

Feinberg was talking about a bankruptcy filing by BP in a Fox News interview.

"Bankruptcy absolutely is an option, and the U.S. needs to recognize that," said Peter Kaufman, president and head of restructuring and distressed Mergers and Acquisitions at the Gordian Group, an investment bank in New York.

Which is it? No company has the ability to pay unlimited claims, even one that earned \$16.6 billion last year and more than \$20 billion annually in the prior four years. At the same time, no one has any idea how big BP's damages will be. That hasn't stopped Wall Street analysts from churning out estimates that move up in lockstep with the number of barrels thought to be leaking from the collapsed well each day.

How many companies are willing to face unlimited civil claims, the prospect of criminal prosecution and daily excommunication by the U.S. government before going on the offensive?

That's Kaufman's argument for why BP should consider filing for Chapter 11 bankruptcy. In the U.S., unlike in most countries, "you can file for bankruptcy even if you are perfectly solvent," said Jay Westbrook, professor of law and a bankruptcy specialist at the University of Texas, Austin.

Don't try pulling a fast

one to avoid paying the bills. The courts have developed a "doctrine of good faith," Westbrook said. "If you are abusing the bankruptcy code, they will throw it out."

If BP's damages, or even "reasonably probable damages," exceed the value of the company, or if it faces a liquidity crisis, bankruptcy would be a way to organize the claims into a "sensible, orderly, fair process," he said.

U.S. Interior Secretary Ken Salazar may think keeping the "boot on the neck" of BP is a good strategy, but he should understand that BP has a stiff boot of its own. What if the company were to utilize its considerable financial and legal resources and the insolvency laws of the U.S. or Great Britain "to make it extremely difficult and time-consuming for legitimate claimants to get success?" Kaufman said.

BP is already the most reviled company in America. Two of its refineries accounted for 97 percent of the violations in the refining industry over the last three years, according to the Center for Public Integrity. It holds the record for the largest fine (\$87 million) ever levied by the Occupational Safety and Health Administration. Its public relations couldn't be worse if it disbanded its PR department.

In the court of public opinion, BP is already about

as low as it can go. So why shouldn't it try, as a matter of business, to limit its liability?

The government isn't the only one with leverage. If BP were to file for bankruptcy, who would compensate Gulf residents whose livelihood and sole means of support were destroyed by the spill?

The U.S. taxpayer. To avoid being seen as someone who bailed out Wall Street and abandoned Main Street, Obama would probably ask Congress for money to compensate victims and line up to be paid with other creditors.

What if BP chose to file for bankruptcy in Britain, something that's well within its rights? No doubt London courts would deliver an outcome more favorable to BP. And they're apt to be less generous when it comes to paying damages to folks directly affected claimants.

No wonder Congress wants to shut down that option. House Judiciary Chairman John Conyers, D-Mich., introduced a bill that would, among other things, prevent BP from seeking bankruptcy protection in Britain.

If the goal is to get relief as quickly as possible to the

legitimate victims of the oil spill, then using BP as a pinata isn't a great idea, Kaufman said.

No one knows whether BP agreed in writing to the \$20 billion escrow fund or to Feinberg's power of attorney. Jon Pack, a London-based BP spokesman, couldn't comment.

BP has huge assets and tremendous earning capability, at least until we figure out how to power our cars with wind. While Kaufman is right in theory that BP should consider the bankruptcy option, in practice it would make life hard for the company.

Why? Energy is already a highly regulated industry — at least that's what everyone says. And it's bound to become more highly regulated following the BP spill.

The next time BP applied for a drilling permit, it might find that regulators had found religion. While a company can't be denied a permit solely on account of bankruptcy, according to Westbrook, I bet regulators could find enough "egregious willful" violations to prevent BP from expanding its U.S. business.

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# SURPRISING SUCCESS



A bee scours a native bloom in the Trainors' garden outside Twin Falls.

## Year two in a native garden

By **Melissa Davlin**  
Times-News writer

While Kevin and Linda Trainor sat on their porch, a giant bee lazily moved from one geranium to another.

"It's been waiting awhile for something to eat with this cold weather," Kevin said as the bee flew away.

In the Trainors' garden, the bees can nosh on plants native to Idaho. It's been a year since Conservation Seeding & Restoration of Kimberly installed the Trainors' native garden bed, and already the plants have reseeded and started to spread.

Linda and Kevin decided to install plants native to Idaho after their daughter, who has a master's degree in botany, encouraged them to look into desert-friendly flowers and shrubs. The family hired the Kimberly-based native plant business to design the garden bed around their house outside Twin Falls. The nativescape includes mock orange, golden currant shrubs, snowberry, Rocky Mountain penstemon and sticky purple geraniums.

While other plants have suffered with the high winds on the Trainors' property — Kevin has had to replace trees several times — the native plants have flourished. Almost all came back bigger and hardier. The flowers have reseeded and spread, especially the blue flax. The original flax plant is bigger, and new sprigs of flax have popped up across the garden bed.

"This has just filled in so nicely," Linda said, running her fingers over the purple and blue blooms.

Julie Riddle, a CSR nativescape designer, said some native plants are almost too successful for most customers' tastes.



Native plants thrive in the flower bed that accents Linda and Kevin Trainor's front path. With help from Conservation Seeding & Restoration, the Trainors added a native plant garden last year.

### KNOW YOUR NATIVES

Ready to learn about southern Idaho's native plants and their use in residential landscapes? Start here:  
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**University of Idaho Extension Office:** information on landscaping with Idaho's native plants:  
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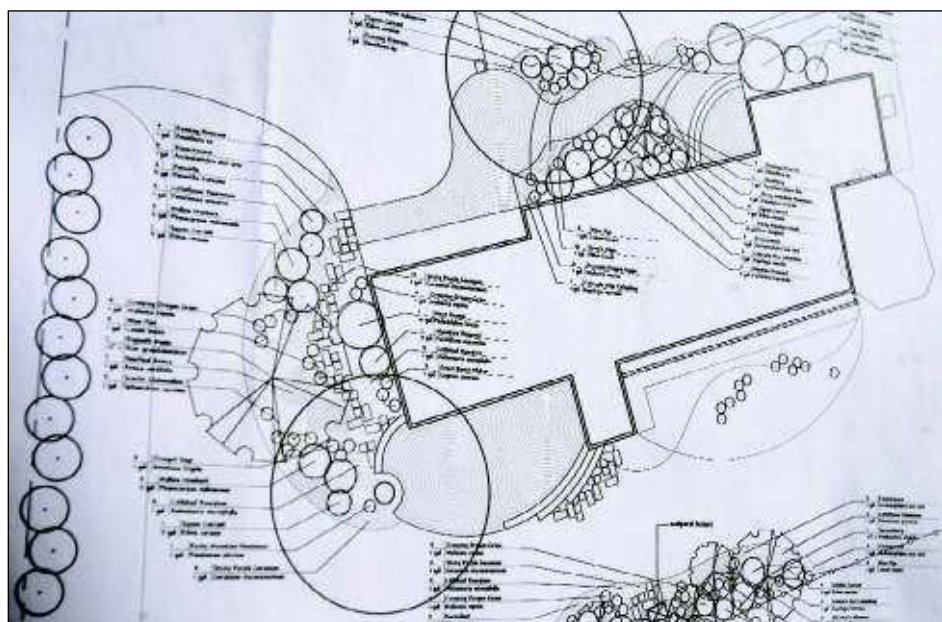
Prolific plants like blue flax and yarrow spread so much that Riddle doesn't recommend them for all residential gardens.

"You lose your ornamental bed look and get the wildland look," she said. But the Trainors wanted a more natural look to their garden bed, so designers at CSR felt a little blue flax was appropriate. Although there isn't much of it, the flax has already filled out in some parts of the bed.

While the flowers have expanded, the shrubs — like the low-spreading creeping Oregon grape — grow more slowly. Designers have to take that into account, Riddle said, and make sure

all the plants have room to grow as they mature. They also took into account the extra shade on the north side of the house and put in species that don't need full sun.

Although native Idaho plants require less work than traditional garden flowers and shrubs, they need a little extra care during their first year to encourage roots to spread. The formerly potted plants need more water the first year as they get used to their new homes in the ground. Linda and Kevin use drip irrigation. They also have a traditional lush bluegrass lawn, Riddle pointed out, and some of the water for



Plans for the Trainors' native plant garden.

the grass will inevitably benefit the flowers and shrubs, too.

Homeowners don't need to water as much in the garden's second year — some CSR customers water just once a month, or only during

extremely hot summer weather, Riddle said.

As the garden grows and matures, Linda and Kevin will decide how to manage the spreading blue flax. In the meantime, they can sit back and enjoy the hum-

mingbirds and bees drawn to the geraniums.

"We're really happy with it," Linda said.

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## THE CROWNING TOUCH

### Moldings span range of styles, materials and prices

By **Maryann Haggerty**  
Special to The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — Look up toward the ceiling. You may notice that it's ringed by a strip of crown molding along the top of the walls. This sometimes simple, sometimes ornate strip of architectural embellishment represents a mix of classical Greek aesthetics, Victorian sensibilities and modern ingenuity.

While molding has some utility — it can disguise a careless paint job or less-than-plumb surface — its main purpose is decorative. It's available in a range of natural and man-made materials, and a zillion designs. Whether a house is built with it is a matter of style and cost. Adding it can be an inexpensive weekend project for a do-it-yourselfer, or a costly operation for a team of master craftsmen.

"It's pretty magical when the moldings are done right," said

### TRIM TERMS

**Dentil trim:** A series of small squares, resembling teeth, that can be used with elaborate crown molding, fireplace surrounds or other trim.

**Crown molding:** A strip of trim, sometimes elaborate, that runs along the top of walls.

**Chair rail:** A strip of molding mounted below the midpoint of a wall. It can protect walls from being marred by chairs.

**Base molding:** A strip of trim

mounted along the bottom of walls, abutting the floor.

**Mitered joint:** A precise, angled cut through molding, used at the connection of two pieces, especially at corners.

**Casing:** Trim that surrounds windows and doors.

**Finger-jointed wood:** A piece of trim formed from multiple smaller pieces or scrap, connected by cutting the ends into complementary zigzag shapes.

Brent Hull, who, as the author of "Traditional American Rooms: Celebrating Style, Craftsmanship, and Historic Woodwork," is understandably enthusiastic. His company in Fort Worth, Texas, Hull Historical, provides custom millwork for homes new and old, including Winterthur, the mansion-museum near Wilmington, Del. The

size and placement of molding determines how a room's size and shape are perceived, he argues.

At the base of a wall, you'll find base molding separating wall and floor; other types of molding delineate windows, doors, fireplaces and more. (While the Brits and some manufacturers call it

# Gardening gadgets to please your green thumb

By Joel M. Lerner

Special to The Washington Post

Here's a lineup of promising products.

**Dr. JB's Clean Hummingbird Feeder:** This is a fully sealed, 16-ounce red feeder that is heavy duty, dishwasher-safe, bee-proof and not conspicuous in the landscape.

Constructed of polyethylene with a clear glass jar, it delivers sugar water through a specially designed system that provides easy access for hummingbirds.

Patience is necessary because it can take several days or months for hummingbirds to discover feeders. You can help the process by surrounding the area with plants they like, such as honey-suckle, crossvine, bee balm, hollyhock and lantana. Red flowers are favorites.

Keeping the device clean is an integral part of hummingbird feeding. Before refilling the jar with sugar water, rinse it with a

mild bleach solution and flush well with water. *\$12-\$15 from SongbirdEssentials.com. 800-269-4450.*

**Animal Stopper:** To discourage wildlife from eating plants in our garden, I prefer using repellents. Although this is an ongoing process, the ones I apply are fully biodegradable, safe for the environment and keep the garden aesthetically pleasing. Animal Stopper by Messina Wildlife has been effective up to a month, even in rain. Made of rosemary oil, mint oil, cinnamon oil and putrescent whole egg solids, it exudes a pleasant aroma and is approved for organic gardening. *A 2 1/2-pound container of granular material costs \$19.99 and covers 1,800 square feet. MessinaWildlife.com. 888-411-3337*

**Terro Mosquito Repellent:** This repellent is an excellent example of how pest management has changed. The active ingredients — castor oil, cit-

ronella oil and garlic oil — are safe for the environment. It will not damage your lawn or other plants.

The product repels mosquitoes for up to 21 days, has a pleasant scent and is available in a two-pound jug that covers about 1,000 square feet. *\$12 to \$15. Available from garden stores or from Terro.com.*

**Geohumus:** This new soil-enrichment product answers the question of how to ensure soil has maximum moisture retention during midsummer dry spells. If you cultivate this product into existing native soil, it will hold a greater quantity of moisture in your garden because the organic polymer in Geohumus stores up to 30 times its weight in water. In addition, this soil additive is mixed with volcanic rock to enhance soil aeration and permeability. It is a new product, developed in Germany, and it's doing an admirable job keeping soil light and moist. *Call 1-610-444-*

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**Bonnie Herb & Vegetable Plant Food:** This biodegradable, water-soluble plant nutrient delivers fertilizer in a form that can be quickly absorbed by plants' roots. The plant food analysis is 8-4-4, and it is 40 to 50 percent lower in salt content than traditional dry fertilizer and natural fish emulsion. The nitrogen is derived from soybean and other oilseed extracts. The phosphate and potash are from water-soluble sources. Our vegetables and annuals have exploded with growth. *\$11.95. Bonnie-Plants.com. 800-345-3384.*

**Diggit Garden Tools:** A gardener and her son, a mechanical engineer, designed Diggit Garden Tools to replace the tent stake she used to pull weeds without disturbing the flowers. Their tool is designed much like a tent stake,

but it won't hurt hands thanks to the cushioned handle. Diggit 2 has a heavy-duty, stainless steel stake. Another tool I tested is the Diggit Duck, which will sweep through rocky soil to lift the most stubborn roots or cultivate weeds. *The Diggit 2 is \$15.25; the Diggit Duck is \$8.25. DiggitInc.com.*

**UCan watering system:** This is the most complete watering tool I have found. It is a two-gallon can with a rubberized grip that reaches into most places that require watering. *\$29.95. TheUCanBrand.com. 978-887-4191.*

**Weed Free Garden Watering Blanket:** This is the most innovative product I have used this season. It's a permeable woven fiber "blanket" that connects to a garden hose and delivers water through drip irrigation tubes embedded in the fabric. Waters plants while it controls weeds. *\$49.99. OrganicGarden-Grower.com.*

## Moldings

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moulding, Americans generally spell it without the "U.")

The aesthetics hark back to the ancient Greeks. The main parts of a Greek column — base, shaft, capital — were strictly defined, as were the layers of a well-designed building. The bands separating those layers are molding, not in strips of wood, but in stone. Look at Washington's Greek Revival public buildings and you'll see the designs that have inspired residential woodwork, such as the dentil trim — a series of rectangular blocks resembling teeth — along the cornice of the Supreme Court building.

The architectural styles popular in the United States in the 17th and 18th centuries each had characteristic molding, according to Chris Hofmann, whose Hofmann Joinery makes custom cabinetry and millwork in a Hanover, Md., shop stocked with antique and contemporary wood-working machines. Georgian-style homes, popular before about 1780, had "a lot of big, heavy molding." Federal-style homes (1795-1820) had "sparse crown moldings." Greek temples inspired the Greek Revival style that followed.

But it took the Victorians to go nuts with molding. Those 19th-century houses have "all the dripping leaf, overly ornate" styles of molding, Hofmann said.

Historians point out that much about Victorian life, including elaborately decorated houses, can be explained by the technological advances of the Industrial Revolution. For instance, it took a steam-powered saw to economically produce the gingerbread that adorns Victorian exteriors. These advances also fostered a middle class that aspired to elegance.

Today, molding remains aspirational. Home shoppers like crown molding because it gives a sense of luxury to a home that otherwise might not feel luxurious, said Joseph Himali, principal broker at Best Address Real Estate in Washington.

Although molding is a plus for home buyers, it isn't a must for home sellers, Himali said. "There will never be a time when the actual cost of crown molding will be covered in the eventual sale," he said. "It's a rare, rare bird that will come into a house and not buy it because of lack of crown molding."

In 2008, the National Association of Home Builders surveyed home shoppers and buyers to determine which features would affect their decisions. Twelve percent said crown molding was essential, 51 percent said it was desirable, 32 percent were indifferent and 5 percent said they didn't want it.

At Smoot Lumber in suburban Alexandria, Va., both builders and homeowners buy custom millwork from a choice of hundreds of profiles, or designs. Speculative builders tend to buy relatively simple molding, according



Photos from White River Hardwoods

A cornice detail in a warm wood tone. Some molding separates wall and floors or ceilings; other types delineate windows, doors, fireplaces and more.

to Michael Brannon, who runs the mill shop at Smoot. The most popular is probably a 2 1/4-inch-wide colonial casing used around doors and windows. "It's readily available; it's pretty inexpensive. ... If you saw it, you probably wouldn't even notice it, it's so universal," he said.

When people plan to stain molding, they generally use solid pine, said Troy Dally, merchandising vice president for millwork at Lowe's. Oak, maple and other hardwoods also have decorative possibilities; Hofmann generally uses solid poplar for his custom work, much of which is for designers or architects. Molding that will be painted is usually finger-jointed pine, Dally said; that is, a long strip made of shorter lengths jointed together. Many manufacturers also make molding from MDF, or medium-density fiberboard, a less expensive, engineered wood product.

Plastics are also available. Fypon Ltd. of Archbold, Ohio, makes fancy moldings of polyurethane. It's lighter than wood and holds up to the elements, the company says. It can be more expensive per foot than wood, but installation requires less labor, so the company sells its products to builders as an economical means to impressive results. "Trim houses, not margins" is

one slogan.

Fypon is marketing a miterless corner system, which allows its complex moldings to be installed without the carpenter having to perform tricky angled miter cuts or, for inside corners, coping joints. "I have it in my own dining room, and I absolutely love it," retail product manager Tina Mealer said. "I used the miterless corners and did it myself."

Is installing molding a do-it-yourself job? It depends on a homeowner's skill levels and tools. A simple chair rail takes very little in the way of tools. Crown molding calls for the right saw and the patience to use it correctly when cutting fiddly corners — a little mistake can spoil a whole strip of molding. Especially in an older house, where straight lines and right angles are rare, installation can involve a lot of shimming, plumbing and caulking.

Nonetheless, many homeowners take on the job themselves. The molding aisle at a local Home Depot, for instance, stocks scores of options, in just about every material. Prices range from about 85 cents per linear foot to about \$5 per linear foot. The cheapest materials look cheap up close but might not be obvious mounted nine feet up on the wall.

The store stocks plenty of

corner blocks and other devices to help homeowners avoid those difficult joints. The chain also sells what it calls Perfect Cut molding, which has a two-sided profile that lets the weekend carpenter make just one cut, then turn the strip over and have two perfectly matched pieces, thus halving the chance of messing up.

At Lowe's, a similar product is called Flip Face. Dally said molding can be a suitable project for beginners, especially those who have the patience to measure everything carefully. "Generally, we see that someone comes into a house, they already have baseboard and casing. The way they personalize the house is with crown molding. ... We feel that customers don't want their house to look like everyone else's."



A large, stately cornice, appropriate for a formal entry. Adding molding to a home can be an inexpensive weekend project for a do-it-yourselfer, or a costly operation for a team of master craftsmen.

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# Ceiling fans reduce energy costs summer and winter

By Carole Feldman  
Associated Press writer

Conjure up an image of vacationers sitting on a verandah at a tropical resort, a ceiling fan rotating overhead and supplementing the cooling effect of the ocean breezes.

Well, you don't have to go to the tropics to realize the benefits — or create the ambiance — of ceiling fans. They can provide an energy-efficient supplement to air conditioning during these hot summer months.

The concept is simple. If you use a ceiling fan, you can raise your thermostat and still get the same cooling effect. That means lower electric bills in the long run.

Ceiling fans work by creating a wind-chill effect. As in winter, when the wind makes it feel colder outside, so the wind — or motion — created by ceiling fans makes you feel

cooler in the summer.

"Ceiling fans don't cool the room, they cool you," said Maria Vargas, spokeswoman and brand manager for Energy Star, the government program designed to promote energy efficiency. Raising the thermostat by 2 degrees and using a ceiling fan can cut energy costs by about 14 percent over the course of a season, Vargas said.

That makes them a good, low-cost supplement to air conditioning. Jeremy Tarr, director of marketing for Hunter Fan Co., says the energy cost of running a ceiling fan is similar to that of running a standard incandescent light bulb. "You can save much more by raising the thermostat," he said.

Some studies have shown that people can move their thermostats up 4 to 6 degrees and not perceive any real difference if they're

using a ceiling fan, Tarr said.

"Saving money is something that has never gone out of style," said John Reeve, manager of Dan's Fan City in Rockville, Md. But, he's quick to add, that's not the only reason people buy ceiling fans.

"It's energy efficient and some people like the feeling of air movement," he said. "It takes the stuffiness out of a room. It could add to the decor."

By adding some motion to a room, Tarr said, fans add "a little bit of character."

The cost of a fan depends on the options.

At Dan's Fan City, for example, fans range from the simplest model, costing about \$40, to builder grade fans with a price tag of \$3,000. Reeve said consumers should plan to spend \$100 to \$250 for a fan. A light kit adds to the cost.

Most ceiling fans are

reversible. During the summer, the blades should move counterclockwise as you look up at the fan, creating a wind chill. In winter months, they should move clockwise. That helps bring the hot air down from the ceiling and even out the heating. Hunter Fan Co. says you can save 15 percent on your winter heating costs by lowering your thermostat 4 degrees and using a ceiling fan.

What's the ideal spot for a ceiling fan?

Many people install them in bedrooms or great rooms. "A lot of folks put fans in kitchens and eating areas," Reeve said. "Anywhere you have a ceiling you can have a fan."

When you go to buy a fan, you'll need to know more than just what style you like.

Consider the size of the room, Tarr said. For a larger bedroom, go with a 52-inch fan. For a great room, a 60-



AP photo

Jon Reeve, right, manager at Dan's Fan City, shows ceiling fans to a customer in Rockville, Md. Ceiling fans can provide an energy-efficient supplement to air conditioning.

or 70-inch fan would work best. "For smaller rooms, a 44- or 42-inch fan may be just fine," he said.

The measurement refers to the length of the blades.

There also are different motor sizes. "You need a fan with a properly sized motor to get an efficient air flow," Tarr said.

When you leave a room, turn the fan off to get the maximum energy efficiency. Unlike an air conditioner, the wind-chill effect produced by the ceiling fan is immediate. You don't lose anything by turning it off when you're not there.

The energy savings can be even greater if your fan is certified by Energy Star. Although savings depend on the amount of use and the climate, Vargas said Energy Star fans are about 50 percent more efficient than conventional ones, leading to savings of about \$25 a year. In 2009, however, these fans cost about \$80 more than a conventional one.

Energy Star and Hunter Fan also recommend using a programmable thermostat to automatically adjust the temperature during waking hours, or when you are away or sleeping.

# How useful are those pretty marigolds?

By Lee Reich  
For The Associated Press

Visitors to my garden frequently comment, upon seeing a few marigold plants growing in my vegetable beds, that I must have planted them for pest control.

After all, marigolds are supposed to be one of the workhorses of biological pest control. Plant them and plant pests will be killed or — if they are lucky — merely repelled, right? It's an appealing concept: sunny plants that thwart pestilence and blight even as they brighten your garden with blossoms.

## How marigolds are pest unfriendly

Marigolds' greatest claim to pest control fame is their effect, documented in numerous studies, on nematodes, which are a kind of worm that in some cases is destructive to plants.

Like other members of the daisy family, marigolds also do their share in feeding nectar to beneficial insects, such as syrphid flies, who prey on aphids and other insects that attack garden plants. Members of the daisy family do not yield nearly as much nectar as flowers of the parsley family — dill, for instance — but daisy family flowers keep the nectar flowing longer.

Other beneficial effects of marigolds are less dramatic or useful. They have been shown to have some slight effect in repelling cabbage worms from cabbage and their kin. And some marigolds, especially a variety called Stinking Roger, repel flies, except that the flies are the kind that bother cows and other domestic animals, not plants.

Read and listen to claims made for marigolds, and you also could press it into service as a fungus killer, an insect killer, even a selective weed killer.



AP photo

Marigolds in a garden in New Paltz, N.Y. Marigolds' greatest claim to pest control fame is their effect on nematodes.

## Weigh pros and cons

Hold on a second, however, before you blanket your garden in marigolds. Some of these claims have been blown out of proportion.

Those marigolds that helped repel cabbage worms: They also stole water and nutrients from nearby cabbages. So which is better? Stunted cabbages, or those with some leaves lacy from caterpillar feeding?

Marigolds, especially the Gem varieties, also are a favorite food of slimy slugs and Japanese beetles. As such, they have been used to stop Japanese beetle damage — by attracting the beetles away from other garden plants. Of course, such schemes commonly backfire by attracting more pests to the area than

would have been there otherwise.

## And now, for some marigold reality

If you really want their pest-controlling benefits, blanket your garden with oodles of marigolds. British studies showed that African marigolds killed weeds such as ground ivy and bindweed, but the marigolds were planted densely and early in the season, then allowed to grow 5 feet tall. Might not any tall, dense growth do the same?

Similarly, marigolds suppress nematodes only when the marigolds are grown as a cover crop, that is, planted thickly and allowed to grow for many weeks.

To sum up, marigolds seem to have little actual benefit in suppressing disease and aboveground insect pests, except perhaps to woo certain insects away from other plants. Be wary of such claims as, "I planted marigolds in my bean patch and did not have any beetles to speak of, while my neighbor's bean plants were devoured by Mexican bean beetles." Was this gardener growing the same bean variety as the neighbor? Were soil conditions the same? Did he or she perhaps forget about the insecticide also applied? It happens.

Below ground, marigolds do have some benefit — on nematodes, at least. However, you have to plant masses of marigolds to get this benefit and anyway, not every garden has nematode problems.

So why are those marigolds in my vegetable beds? 'Cause they look pretty.

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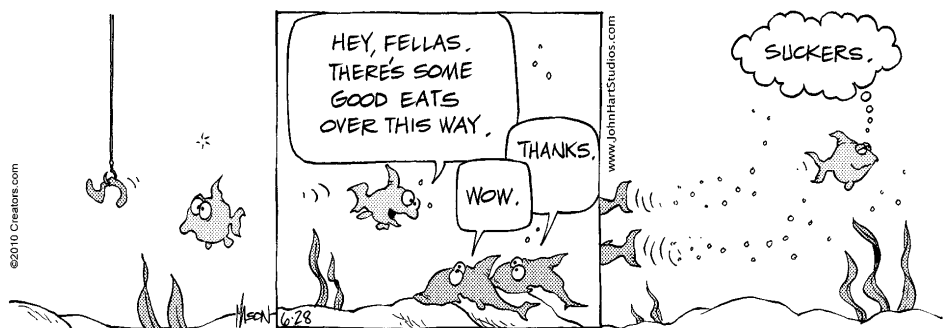
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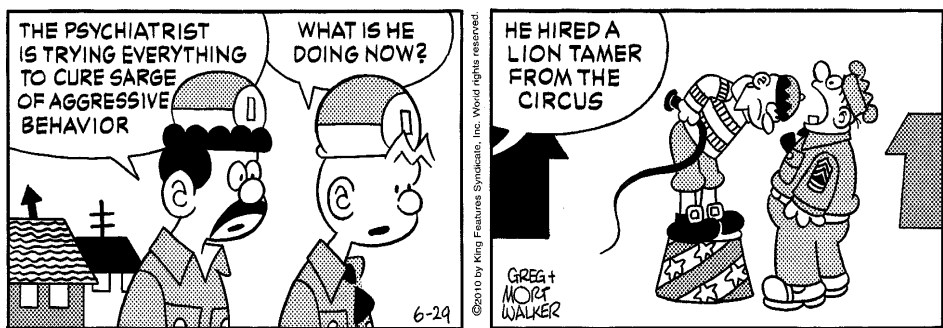
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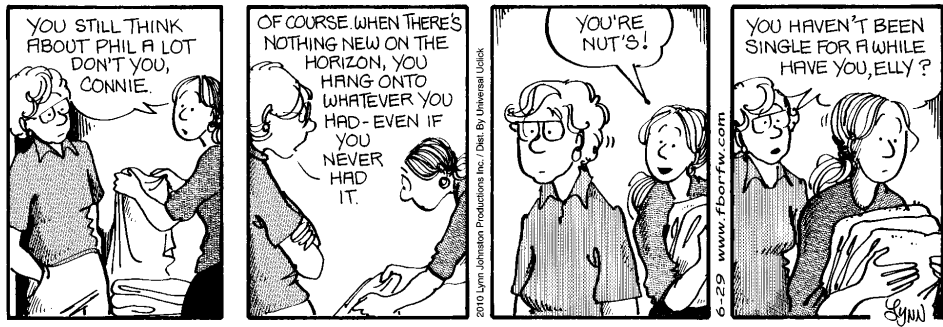
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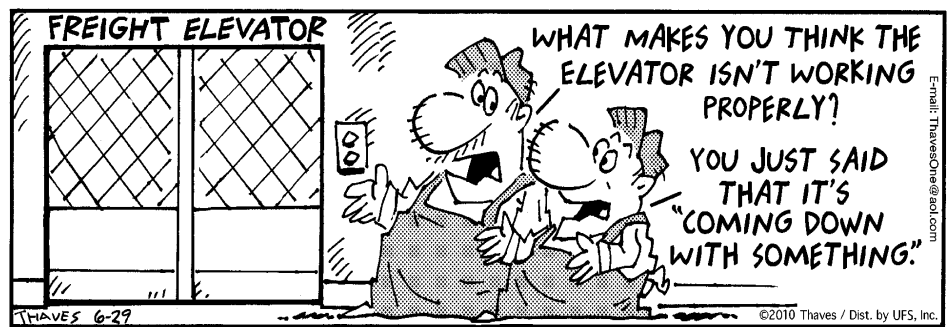
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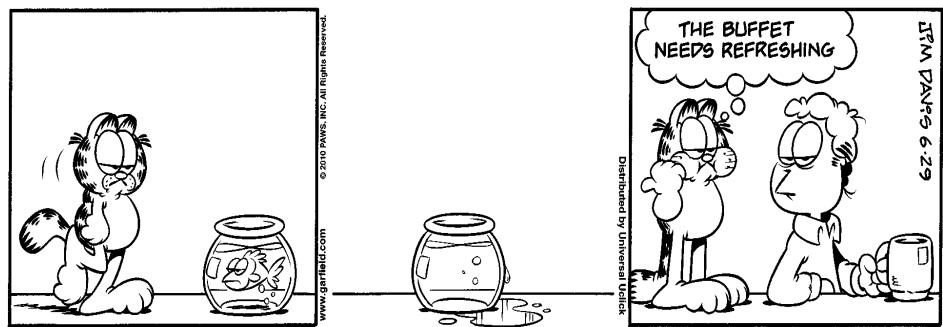
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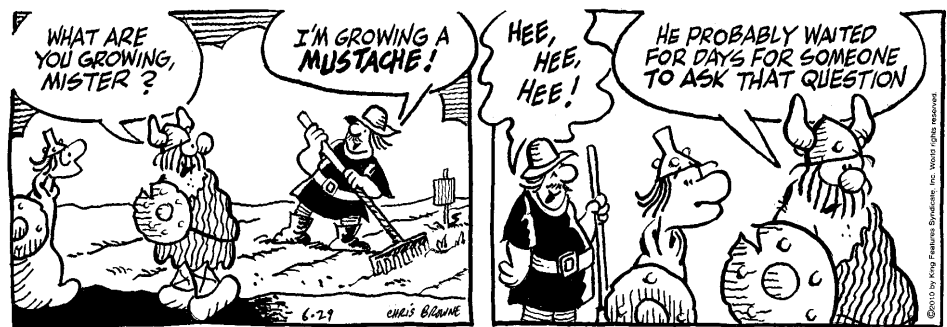
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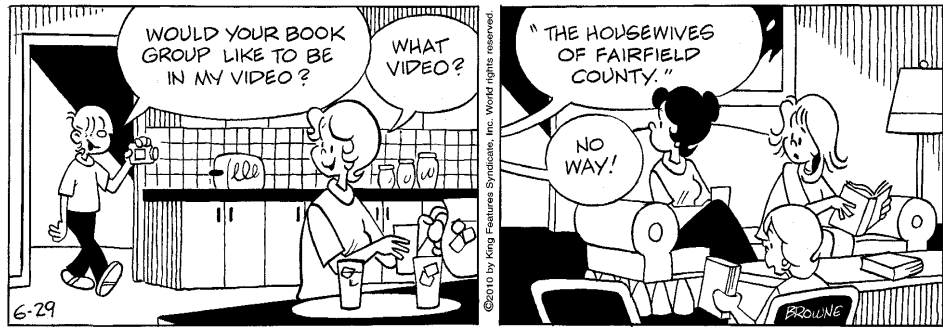
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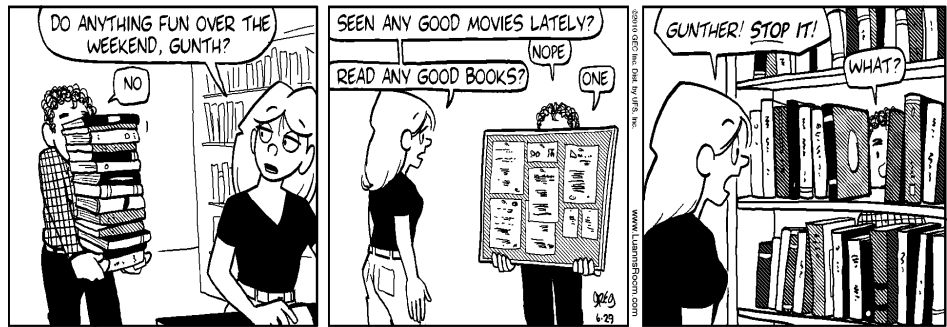
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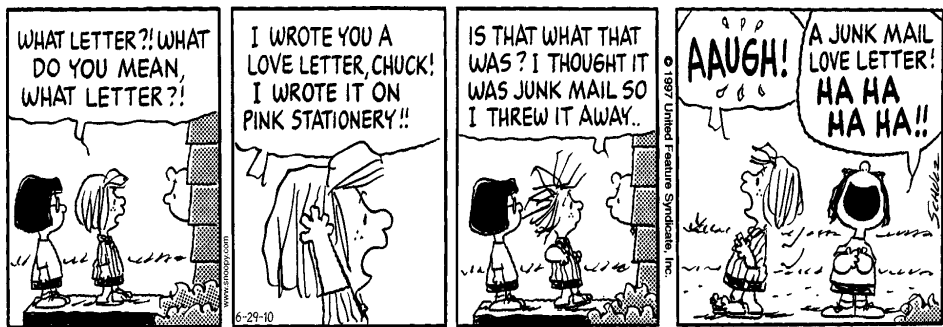
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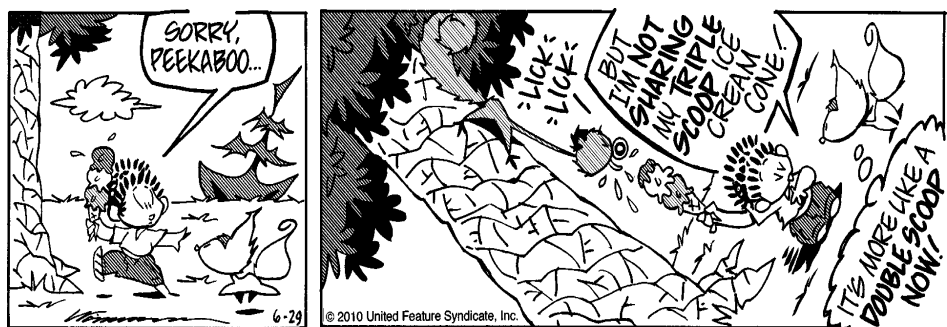
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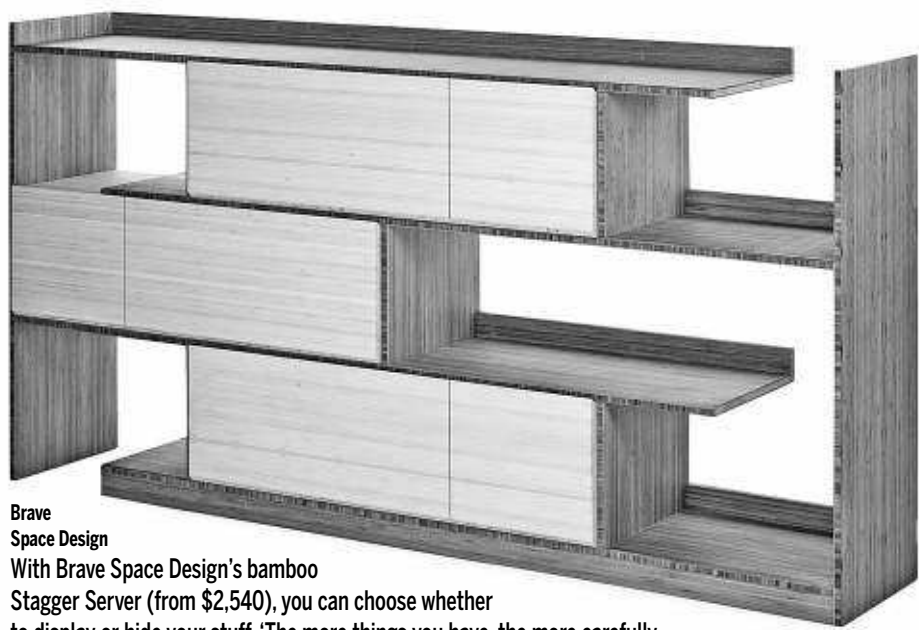
# Small-spaces guru tells how to give that walk-up a step-up

By Jennifer Barger  
The Washington Post

Let glossy shelter magazines cover mega-mansions. Decor inspiration for ordinary people, those of us who live in 400 square feet, not 4,000, usually comes from blogs, which feature slide shows of real-life lofts, studios and bungalows.

The granddaddy of this mouse beautiful world is Apartment Therapy (apartmenttherapy.com), which draws about 3 million visitors per month in search of everything from the latest Ikea bookcase stats to whether decorating with taxidermy is haute. Blog founder Maxwell Gillingham-Ryan just penned a photo- and idea-stuffed book "Apartment Therapy's Big Book of Small, Cool Spaces" (Clarkson Potter, \$30). We caught up with him about how to make a tiny pad terrific.

Q: Did Apartment Therapy spawn the home



Brave Space Design  
With Brave Space Design's bamboo Stagger Server (from \$2,540), you can choose whether to display or hide your stuff. 'The more things you have, the more carefully you curate,' says Apartment Therapy blog founder Maxwell Gillingham-Ryan.

blogging revolution?

A: I hate to give us too much credit, but when we started asking people to submit photos of their homes in 2004, it was difficult to get them to do it. But now, we get hundreds

of submissions of homes a week, and we don't have room to publish them all. Now people want to show off their homes. They're styling them and setting them up in ways to show them off. It's the concept of your home being an extension of your personality. ...

Small spaces don't have to look like crap holes. A small space that looks beautiful is a real point of pride.

Q: What are some of the challenges a tiny home poses?

A: Well, you want your home to be everything, and if you have a smaller space, you often don't get a patio, yard or second bedroom. The challenge, using design, is to give yourself multiple spaces within a smaller footprint.

Q: How can you do that?

A: Well, you can take your bed and put in on a platform, or tuck a beautiful home



Apartment Therapy

Maxwell Gillingham-Ryan is the founder of the Apartment Therapy website, which caters to what you might call a niche audience. It features slide shows of real-life lofts, studios and bungalows.

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- **Lack** counter real estate? Let plates and cups dry in the sink with Simplehuman's compact dish rack (\$25).
- **Folding** chairs, such as a French bistro version (\$198 for two at www.americancountryhomestore.com), can be stashed when not in use, or even hung on the wall.
- A **lamp** with a silvery, mirrored glass base reflects sunlight (or candlelight), creating an illusion of spaciousness on a table or credenza. The Haley table lamp, for example, is \$229.

office into the corner of the bedroom.

Q: What tricks make a small space seem larger?

A: Painting the ceiling and the wall the same color makes a seamless experience. And if you have a dark floor, whether it's a rich carpet or a stained wood one, that will have the appearance of falling away beneath your feet, and the walls will rise up.

Q: One of the biggest issues of living in a small apartment can be an excess of stuff. What's your position on that?

A: In the book, you'll see that there are small spaces, but they are full of character, and a lot of it comes from stuff. I think that it's about organizing the stuff and realizing that the more things you have, the more carefully you curate. When your eye moves around and sees things that are well displayed, it's delightful. If it's a careless mess, your eye reads it negatively.

Q: But some stuff — clothes, DVDs, books — isn't really worth displaying. What

can people do about that?

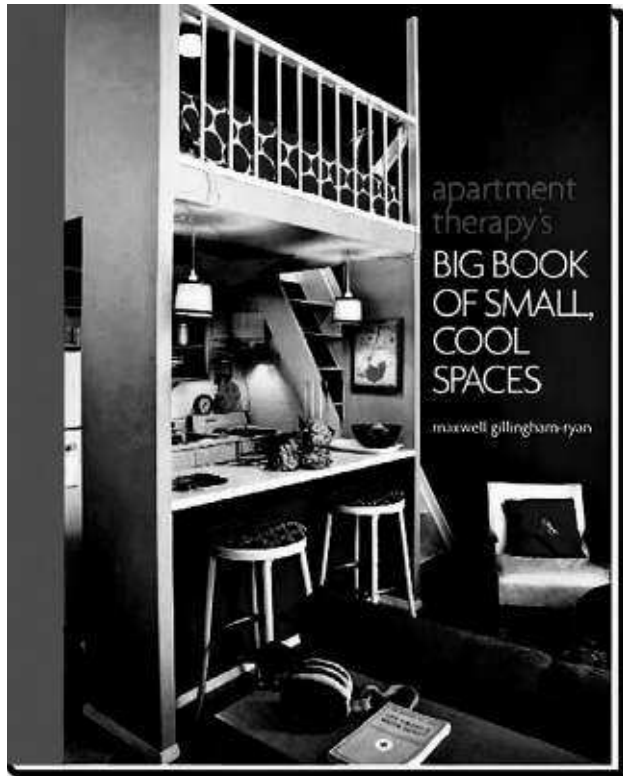
A: Getting storage underneath your bed is very effective. And another trick is going up your walls, using bookcases or displaying things on the wall. And in the kitchen, use overhead storage by putting your pots on a rack on the ceiling.

Q: What's the biggest mistake people with small places make?

A: I think people buy furniture that's too big, and then it's just hard to navigate around that. In a small space, furnishings need to be minimal and small in scale. You can even do things like what I did in my own home, I have a daybed instead of a sofa. It takes up less room and has a double purpose.

Q: Do kids create new challenges?

A: Yes, and I think people often need bigger spaces when they come along. There is a lot of stuff that comes with a child. You have to be careful to practice stuff in, stuff out.



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The Haley table lamp (\$229) from Crate & Barrel.

# Pick a small one: Plant a tree to enjoy today, tomorrow and beyond

By Lee Reich  
For The Associated Press

If delayed gratification sometimes seems to be too much a part of gardening, it does teach us to appreciate the means to an end as much as the end itself. Especially with planting trees.

Your vision might call for a towering maple or spreading beech in a corner of your front yard, but you usually can do no more than plant a smaller one, care for it and wait.

Not that full-size trees cannot be — and sometimes are — moved for instant effect. Take along enough earth, keep it intact around the roots, and even a large tree hardly knows it's been relocated. But such moves demand heavy, specialized equipment and plenty of money. Even then, a number of these trees die within a year of their move, or just sulk for many years.

## Smaller is better

We mortals are better off planting smaller trees — much, much smaller ones. In fact, if you're talking about trees that you ordinarily buy from a nursery, smaller is usually better than larger. Financial considerations

aside, research has shown that if a large and small tree of the same species are planted under similar conditions, growth of the smaller tree often outstrips that of the larger one after a few years.

One reason why smaller trees grow better is they suffer proportionately less root loss in transplanting. A larger tree needs a lot more water to recover from its move, and because it takes longer to re-establish itself, watering must be continued longer, often for a few years.

## Kinds of tree transplants

Nursery trees are commonly sold balled-and-burlapped (B&B), in pots or bare root.

A balled-and-burlapped tree is typically dug from the field in spring, after which its roots and attached ball of soil are swathed in burlap. Although such trees typically lose well over 50 percent of their roots during digging, they survive transplanting well as long their root balls remain intact, they are planted soon — preferably before growth begins — and their tops are not too large in proportion to the size of the roots.

Potted trees spend their whole youth in pots — at least they should. Advantages of potted trees are that they can be transplanted almost any time of year and with no loss of roots. Potting soils are porous and watered frequently at the nursery so, once transplanted, potted trees need diligent and regular watering until roots establish themselves in surrounding soil.

If the tree is too big for its pot, however, nix any benefits a potted tree gets from having its whole root system moved intact. Constrained roots grow around and around inside the pot; they may continue to do so after being planted out, leading to a slow decline as the tree strangles itself.

A bare root tree is dug from a field, sold and replanted while still dormant and leafless. Moist peat moss, sawdust or shredded paper tucked around the roots keeps them moist from the time they are out of the ground until the

tree is settled into its new home. Kept moist and cool before planting, bare root trees establish quickly and grow well. Their biggest advantage is that they can be easily shipped, usually leading to a greater selection of varieties.

## How big a tree to plant?

You're now ready to shop for a small tree, or at least one whose top is not too big for its roots. But how big is too big?

Specific standards for B&B trees have been spelled out by the American National Standards Institute. Those standards are quite detailed, but a few examples can give a feel for what to look for. Three measures help judge the quality of a nursery tree: a trunk diameter 6 inches to

12 inches above the soil line; the tree height; and the diameter of the root ball. According to the standards, a tree whose root ball is 12 inches across should be no taller than 4 feet or have a trunk caliper of no more than 3/4 inches. Corresponding measures for root balls 18 inches across are 7 feet and 1.5 inches.

With potted trees, look for a tree whose height is no more than two or three times the depth of its pot. Even better is to tip the plant out of its pot. What you should see is plenty of soil, with young white, pink or tan root tips growing at the outer edge. Thick roots circling the bottom of the root ball are a no-no.

Look for similar proportions in a bare root plant, as well as a good mass of roots.

## Enjoy the moment

So plant small and enjoy caring for your plant, watering it, pruning it and watching it grow. As your little tree grows, frost, rain and sun will lend a patina to the trunk and limbs. Near the ground, creeping plants will gently embrace it. There's no way around it: Time is needed to bring character to any tree.

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# Brushing up on the latest innovations in painting

By Melissa Bell  
The Washington Post

**Dial it in:** A new breed of iPhone applications has taken paint planning to a new level of interactivity. For example, snap a photo of your room with your phone, then use PaintingWalls to see how different colors will look on the walls. Build a replica of your home in the app Home 3-D, and virtually sample wallpapers and paint materials. PaintRemedy helps identify problems, from peeling to mildew, and offers solutions for repairing the area. All programs are available at the iTunes applications store, [itunes.apple.com](http://itunes.apple.com). PaintingWalls costs 99 cents, Home 3-D costs \$4.99, and PaintRemedy is free.

**Color inside the lines:** To get the perfect paint line, tape company 3M has amped up the adhesive tack in its Scotch-Blue Painter's Tape for Delicate Surfaces. The higher level of adhesion keeps paint from seeping beneath the tape and outside the desired painting area. A roll of the tape is available at area Home Depot stores for \$5.50.

**A Stark wall:** Stark Carpets teamed up with British colorist David Oliver



All photos courtesy of the manufacturers Stark Carpets teamed up with British colorist David Oliver to launch its first paint line of 240 colors.

to launch its first paint line of 240 colors. Oliver arranged half of the paint deck by complementary colors, numbered one to five. Each paint chip includes a coordinated palette, suggesting the trim, walls and ceiling that work best together. Oliver calls it a version of "color-by-numbers" to ease the confusion of choosing paints. He recommends using a crescendo of tones, starting with the darkest tone toward the floor and working up to the palest tone

at the ceiling, to accentuate a room's height. A gallon of the flat paint is \$76.70 at [www.starkpaint.com](http://www.starkpaint.com).

**Which white where:** Design guru Darryl Carter has teamed up with Benjamin Moore Paints to present a palette of his 48 favorite colors. He'll be talking about his pale palette in a series of videos at [www.facebook.com/benjaminmoorepaints](http://www.facebook.com/benjaminmoorepaints). Carter

said white can be a difficult color to choose because the differences are not very discernible. Moonlight White is Carter's "absolute go-to, always, in every context" for walls. He loves to pair it with the "chameleon-like" Simply White on trim. A gallon of Ben Interior Paint costs \$40 at [www.benjaminmoore.com](http://www.benjaminmoore.com).

**Wall flair:** Richmond, Va., painter Sunny Goode has long helped DIY homeowners add a flourish to their rooms with decorative wall stencils. Now for renters and time-crunched decorators, she has introduced a line of removable vinyl wall stickers modeled on her stencil

designs. A pack of eight is \$340 at [www.sunnypaint.com](http://www.sunnypaint.com).

**Caulk for one:** Prepping for a paint job can be a sticky affair with unwieldy caulking guns. For small holes or tiny cracks in the walls, switch to GE Caulk Singles. The packs dispense the caulk in an even line, just like squeezing out toothpaste. A single pack is \$2.99 at Ace Hardware and Home Depot stores.

**Erasable walls:** Drawing on the walls has never been this much fun. To avoid the dusty film that painted chalkboards can leave behind, IdeaPaint came up with a water-based paint that turns any wall into a dry-erase board. The Cre-8 line comes in eight colors and can cover up to 50 square feet. Perfect for a brainstorming wall in the study, a memo board in the kitchen or a pint-size artist's bedroom. A 50-square-foot kit will run about \$175 at [www.ideapaint.com](http://www.ideapaint.com).

**Keep the odors out:** Expectant mothers planning

a nursery can breathe a little easier. Nearly every major paint brand has nontoxic paints with no VOCs (volatile organic compounds) and no odor. Sherwin-Williams' Harmony line can be ordered in any of the brand's colors. Freshaire Choice has a color palette inspired by the Earth, water and air. Harmony can be bought at Sherwin-Williams stores for \$37 a gallon. Freshaire can be bought at Home Depot stores for \$34 a gallon.

**Paint it green:** Oregon-based Purdy Professional Painting Tools has made the perfect accompaniment to low-VOC paint: EcoPro painting tools. The brushes, roller covers and paint trays are all made from biodegradable or recycled materials. Even their packaging is 100 percent recycled with soy-based inks. The paintbrushes are \$18.79 and the trays are \$5.69 at Duron Paints stores.



Among the latest innovations in painting are products designed with the environment in mind. Above, EcoPro painting tools from Oregon-based Purdy made from biodegradable or recycled materials; right, nontoxic paints with no VOCs (volatile organic compounds) and no odor from Freshaire Choice (\$34 a gallon).



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## Stains on block walls are common

By Aimie Blanchette  
Star Tribune (Minneapolis)

**Q:** We have a retaining wall built of interlocked decorative tan blocks, and they have been "leaking" a chalk-like stain. Do you have any recommendations for removing the stains and/or preventing them?

**A:** Most likely, the staining is caused by efflorescence, a common and stubborn problem in brick and block masonry. According to the Masonry Institute of America, moisture gets into the wall and brings sodium within the stone to the surface. This results in crystals of salt covering the wall and creating a white, chalky substance.

"A lot of times there's really nothing you can do, because masonry surfaces are porous," said Dan Willard of Holmlund Masonry Restorations in Minneapolis. "These surfaces do breathe, they do soak up moisture and they also allow moisture to exit."

Although nothing has been proven 100 percent effective against the problem, Willard offers these tips to remove and prevent the stain.

- **Remove** the white, powdery deposits with an efflorescence cleaner, available at home-improvement and masonry-supply stores.

- **Prevent** the stain from returning by sealing the surface with a breathable masonry sealer.

- **Limit** the amount of moisture the surface absorbs by placing a waterproof barrier between the wall and whatever it's retaining.

For more information on the cause and control of efflorescence, visit the Masonry Institute of America ([www.masonryinstitute.org](http://www.masonryinstitute.org)).

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# CSI volleyball adds two more

By David Bashore  
Times-News writer

The shape of the 2010 College of Southern Idaho volleyball team is beginning to take shape.

CSI coach Heidi Cartisser confirmed Monday the addition of two more players as the team looks to defend its NJCAA Division I championship.

The Golden Eagles recently added Taylor Wilkinson of Pocatello and Rosetta Becerra of Riverside, Calif.

Wilkinson played her volleyball at Highland High School and her rapid improvement has Cartisser intrigued at what she'll provide in the middle.

"Taylor's just kind of come along quickly in the

last little bit," Cartisser said. "She's athletic and quick, moves well along the net and has a pretty heavy arm."

Becerra follows club teammate Kianna Niu to Twin Falls. Niu will be a libero while Becerra projects as an outside hitter.

"Rosie is extremely athletic and comes from a good club like Kianna," Cartisser

said. "We're just excited to have her."

CSI now has 12 players signed to an NJCAA National Letter of Intent for next season, plus holdovers Dama Cox and Ashleigh Pollard, both of whom have committed to return.

Cartisser said she's waiting for decisions from a couple more players to fill out the roster, in addition

to finalizing the remaining international scholarship CSI has to offer — schools are allowed three, and the Golden Eagles have Brazilians Elisa Brochado and Barbara Alcantara already returning.

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Twin Falls second baseman Tyler Wolters catches Jerome's Trey Berrett (27) at second base while attempting to turn a double play during the fourth inning of Game 1 on Monday in Jerome.

# Cowboys battle Cyclones to split

By Michael Cole  
Times-News writer

JEROME — The Twin Falls Cowboys and the Jerome Cyclones split their Class AA American Legion Baseball doubleheader on Monday as the Cyclones took the first game 9-8 and the Cowboys bounced back in the nightcap 6-4.

The Cowboys jumped out quick on the Cyclones, scoring 4 runs in the first two innings in the first game.

"We gave them a lot of cushion room in those first innings," said Jerome coach Kenneth James. "I was proud of the way my guys bounced back. We did our job at the plate and that allowed us to come back and take that game."

The Cyclones fought back

and took the lead in the fourth inning, leaving the Cowboys looking for answers.

"We jumped out early and we just let that game get away," said Twin Falls coach Tim Stadelmeir. "We had a lot of errors and we just didn't play defense. Michael Williams (the starting pitcher) deserved to win that game. I tip my hat to Jerome."

The lead dwindled for the Cyclones in the top of the seventh inning but relief pitcher Nolan Stouder was able to close out the Cowboys and nail down the save.

"I was just trying to get into my groove," said Stouder. "I gave up the first hit and I was not worried, I just knew that I had to get

those last two outs and get the save."

Game 2 had similar results in the beginning, as the Cowboys jumped out early and the Cyclones battled back to tie the game.

The highlight of the night came in the top of the sixth inning when Zeb Sneed smashed a two-run homer to break a 4-4 tie and put the Cowboys in position to win.

"That hit felt pretty good," said Sneed. "I had perfect timing and a nice swing and just hit it over. The first game we did not come out with a lot of energy and in the second game was started to play like we should."

Eric Harr weathered the storm of the Cyclones throughout the game and closed them out to get

the win.

"This is what we needed," said Harr. "I had to make adjustments and keep them off the ball. We found a way to win."

The Cyclones visit Madison today while the Cowboys are off until hosting the Cowboy Classic starting Thursday.

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Michael Williams and Jayson Welker; Jordy Garrard, Nolan Stouder (7) and Cameron Stauffer, Tyler Powell (7); W: Garrard; L: Williams; SV: Stouder.  
Extra-base hits - 2B: Twin Falls, Jayson Welker, Zayne Sloten, Zeb Sneed, TJ Ellis; Jerome, Stauffer, Tanner Holyoak.

**Game 2**  
Twin Falls 6, Jerome 4  
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Eric Harr and Zayne Sloten; Gary Koopman, Spencer Parker (5) and Tyler Powell; W: Harr; L: Parker.  
Extra-base hits - 2B: Twin Falls, TJ Ellis, Jared Jordan; Jerome, Nolan McDonald, Trey Berrett, Jordy Garrard, Nolan Stouder. HR: Twin Falls, Zeb Sneed; Jerome, DJ Worthington.

# Gulati: U.S. team was 'capable of more'

By Ronald Blum  
Associated Press writer

JOHANNESBURG — U.S. Soccer Federation president Sunil Gulati says the American team did not meet his expectations at the World Cup and he likely will meet with Bob Bradley after the tournament to discuss the coach's future.

Bradley was hired in December 2006 and has a contract running through the end of the year. The Americans were eliminated last weekend in the second round with a 2-1 overtime loss to Ghana.

"I think the team is capable of more," Gulati said Monday during a one-hour assessment. "I think the players know it. I think Bob knows it. And so at that level we're disappointed we didn't get to play another 90 minutes at least."

Gulati described Bradley as being "very disappointed" with the team's outcome.

"The missed opportunity is partly a chance to get to the quarters and the matchup with Uruguay, but it's also a missed opportunity to stay in the American public's eyes for another four, five, six days, maybe 10 days, when interest is at an all-time high," Gulati said. "I have no

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# Armstrong playing team card to beat Contador

By Samuel Petrequin  
Associated Press writer

PARIS — RadioShack might not have the Tour de France favorite in its ranks, but team boss Johan Bruyneel hopes a trio made up of Lance Armstrong, Andreas Kloeeden and Levi Leipheimer will derail defending champion Alberto Contador's bid to win the showcase event for a third time.

Contador, who defeated Armstrong last July to claim a second Tour victory, is favored to defend his title.

But although the Spaniard has the odds on his side, seven-time champion Armstrong and his longtime friend and mentor Bruyneel believe that playing the team card could help RadioShack knock Contador off his perch.

"The big favorite is not in our team," Bruyneel

recently told the Associated Press. "But it's better to have three cards to play from a strategic point of view. Among our three leaders, Lance is maybe the best, but we'll see during the race."

The three-week Tour starts Saturday from the Dutch port of Rotterdam.

Armstrong won the Tour de France seven times in a row before retiring in 2005. He came back to racing last year following a 3 1/2-year absence and finished third while riding alongside Contador with the Astana team.

Kloeeden finished second in the Tour in 2004 and 2006 while Leipheimer was third in 2007.

"Our three leaders had a break this season. Kloeeden and Leipheimer because they already had a lot of races under their belts and

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AP photo

Andy Roddick stands dejected after being upset Monday by 82nd-ranked Yen-hsu Lu in the fourth round of Wimbledon, held at the All England Lawn Tennis Club in Wimbledon, England.

# WIMBLEDON SHOCKER Roddick out in fourth round

By Howard Fendrich  
Associated Press writer

WIMBLEDON, England — Andy Roddick's mood was subdued, his words curt.

Once again, he's leaving Wimbledon without the champion's trophy. Only this time, Roddick heads home much earlier than a year ago — and after being beaten by a far-less-accomplished opponent.

The No. 5-seeded American erased an early deficit to even his fourth-round match against 82nd-ranked Yen-hsu Lu of Taiwan, then got broken for the only time all day in the very last game and lost 4-6, 7-6 (3), 7-6 (4), 6-7 (5), 9-7 despite hitting 38 aces Monday.

"It never gets easier," said Roddick, a three-time runner-up at Wimbledon. "Of course I'm going to be

"It never gets easier. Of course I'm going to be (ticked) off when I wake up tomorrow. I mean, if you got fired from your job, you probably wouldn't wake up the next day in a great mood."

— **Andy Roddick, a three-time runner-up at Wimbledon.**

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This one sure looked like a mismatch going in, and not only because Roddick won all three previous meetings

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## Armstrong tweet: This tour will be last

The Associated Press

Lance Armstrong has posted on his Twitter page this year's Tour de France will be his last.

"It's been a great ride. Looking forward to 3 great weeks!" Armstrong tweeted Monday.

A seven-time winner of cycling's most prestigious race, the 38-year-old Armstrong returned to the Tour last year after a three-year absence and finished third behind Astana teammate Alberto Contador of Spain.

Armstrong started a new team for this year's race. He won the race seven straight times from 1999-2005 before retiring.

The Tour de France starts Saturday in Belgium.

# Brazil strolls to Dutch quarterfinal clash

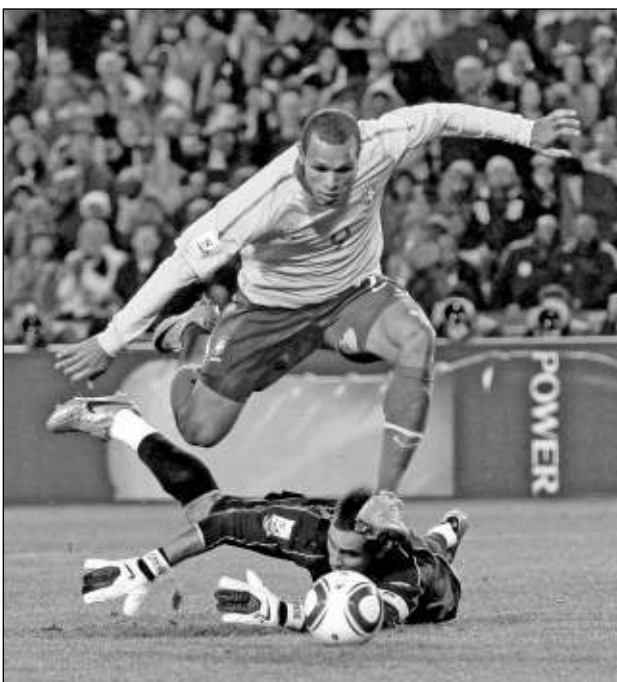
JOHANNESBURG — Five-time champion Brazil beat South American rival Chile 3-0 Monday to advance to the quarterfinals of the World Cup, where it will face the Netherlands.

Juan opened the scoring in the 34th minute at Ellis Park Stadium with a firm header from near the penalty spot off a corner kick. Luis Fabiano added to the lead in the 38th, receiving a one-touch pass from Kaka and dribbling past goalkeeper Claudio Bravo inside the area before hitting the open net.

Robinho scored his first goal in the tournament with a shot from the top of the area in the 59th minute, a one-timer into the far corner.

Chile is the first South American team eliminated. Brazil, Argentina and Uruguay are in the final eight, and Paraguay plays Japan on Tuesday.

The victory in front of nearly 55,000 fans at Ellis Park extended Brazil's dominance over Chile. It was the eighth consecutive win; the last loss to Chile was 3-0 in a 2000 qualifier for the 2002



AP photo  
Brazil striker Luis Fabiano, top, dribbles past Chile goalkeeper Claudio Bravo to score his side's second goal during Monday's World Cup match in Johannesburg.

World Cup.

Brazil has now reached the quarterfinals of the World Cup every time since the 1990 tournament in Italy, when it fell 1-0 to Diego Maradona's Argentina in the

second round. Brazil coach Dunga and assistant coach Jorginho were starters in that Brazilian team.

The Brazilians won the 1994 and 2002 World Cups in that span.

## NETHERLANDS 2, SLOVAKIA 1

DURBAN, South Africa — The Netherlands reached the final eight when standouts Arjen Robben and Wesley Sneijder scored in each half.

The Oranje, who have never won soccer's biggest prize, went ahead in the 18th minute when Robben cut inside from the right wing and found the net with a low, precise shot from 20 yards. Robben sat out the first two group matches with a hamstring injury, but his return has rekindled the crafty Dutch offense.

Sneijder doubled the lead into an empty net in the 84th after a gamble by Slovak goalkeeper Jan Mucha backfired.

Netherlands goalkeeper Maarten Stekelenburg preserved the win with two key saves in the 67th and the Dutch extended their team-record unbeaten streak to 23 games. Robert Vittek scored on a last-second penalty kick for Slovakia, then rushed to the net to retrieve the ball only to hear the final whistle.

— The Associated Press

# Strasburg struggles as Nats fall to Braves

ATLANTA — Stephen Strasburg's fifth big league start was by far his toughest.

The Atlanta Braves broke through for four runs in the seventh against the Washington Nationals' star rookie, and Tim Hudson threw seven sharp innings in a 5-0 victory Monday night.

Strasburg (2-2) had no help from his offense in this one as he gave up six hits and four runs, three earned, in 6 1-3 innings. The Nationals have scored one run in Strasburg's last three starts.

His previous high for runs allowed was two in his debut, a 5-2 win over Pittsburgh on June 8.

He struck out seven, leaving him two shy of Herb Score's record of 50 in his first five starts. Strasburg has two losses and a no-decision after winning his first two starts.

## CARDINALS 6, DIAMONDBACKS 5

ST. LOUIS — The Arizona Diamondbacks' defense collapsed in the ninth inning, with two throwing errors allowing three runs to score.

Closer Aaron Heilman threw wildly to third base trying to catch the lead runner on pinch-hitter Adam Wainwright's sacrifice bunt and one run scored on the play.

First baseman Adam LaRoche bobbled the ball before uncorking a throw in the dirt in an attempt to prevent the tying run from scoring on Skip Schumaker's RBI groundout. Wainwright continued around to score the

winning run from second with a triumphant slide.

## MARLINS 10, METS 3

SAN JUAN, Puerto Rico — Cody Ross homered and had three hits, Ricky Nolasco pitched seven solid innings and Florida beat New York to give interim manager Edwin Rodriguez a sweet homecoming in Puerto Rico.

Chris Coghlan and Mike Stanton also homered for the Marlins, who handed knuckleballer R.A. Dickey (6-1) his first loss in eight major league starts this season.

## REDS 7, PHILLIES 3

CINCINNATI — Scott Rolen hit his 300th homer and Johnny Cueto pitched eight strong innings, leading Cincinnati over Philadelphia.

The Reds won for the sixth time in seven games, keeping them atop the NL Central. It's the latest they have been in first place since 1999.

Rolen hit a two-run shot in the fourth off Kyle Kendrick (4-3) and added a sacrifice fly.

## PIRATES 2, CUBS 1

CHICAGO — Paul Maholm pitched a season-high eight innings, Jose Tabata hit a go-ahead double in the ninth and the Pittsburgh Pirates ended a 17-game road losing streak.

## ASTROS 9, BREWERS 5

MILWAUKEE — Pedro Feliz's RBI double gave Houston the lead in the seventh inning, capping a comeback from an early deficit.



AP photo  
Jeff Baker of the Chicago Cubs gets forced out at second as Pittsburgh Pirates second baseman Delwyn Young watches his throw to first base during the seventh inning of Monday's game in Chicago.

## AMERICAN LEAGUE TIGERS 7, TWINS 5

MINNEAPOLIS — Reliever Joel Zumaya's painful right arm injury marred Detroit's move into first place, after the Tigers used four first-inning runs against Francisco Liriano to beat the Minnesota Twins.

Brennan Boesch and Miguel Cabrera hit two-run doubles in the first off Liriano, who surrendered a season-high six runs in six-plus innings while the Tigers passed the Twins for a half-game lead in the AL Central.

That took the background to Zumaya's health, though,

when the hard-throwing right-hander squirmed and winced around on the mound in obvious pain after throwing a pitch with one out in the eighth inning.

## ROYALS 3, WHITE SOX 1

KANSAS CITY — Anthony Lerew threw six solid innings for his first major league victory, and Billy Butler drove in two runs for the Royals.

## INDIANS 2, BLUE JAYS 1

CLEVELAND — Jake Westbrook pitched six solid innings and Jayson Nix's suicide squeeze bunt in the sixth scored the go-ahead run.

— The Associated Press

# Soccer

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doubt there will still be people at bars watching games at strange times, that the TV ratings will still be good. But what the ratings might have been for a quarterfinal game or dreaming beyond that, it's certainly a missed opportunity."

Gulati said there was a slight chance he would start discussions with Bradley later Monday before the coach returned to the United States, but that extensive talks probably will wait until Gulati traveled back after the World Cup final on July 11.

"I want to sit down with Bob. I think that's the appropriate thing," Gulati said. "I want to hear his views, express some of mine and see what makes sense. I think he's done a very good job. I want to make that very clear. ... When we've had our 'A' team, the record is pretty darn good. ... The problem is that our expectations have risen pretty sharply and there have been some performances where we didn't play as well as we would have liked."

Gulati said a coach can do only so much.

"I think it ultimately comes down to players," he said. "The expectations have to be realistic. The players that are representing the U.S. are not players at Arsenal and Inter and Real Madrid and Barcelona and Chelsea and Manchester United and so on. The players we were playing against in some of

these situations are."

Before Bradley was hired, Gulati held talks with former Germany coach Juergen Klinsmann, who lives in California. Klinsmann withdrew after Major League Soccer refused to guarantee access to players for the CONCACAF Gold Cup and the Copa America in 2007.

A member of Germany's World Cup team in 1990, 1994 and 1998, Klinsmann coached his nation's team to a third-place finish as host in 2006. He agreed in January 2008 to become coach of Bayern Munich the following summer, but was fired in April 2009 with the club in third place in the Bundesliga following its quarterfinal elimination from the Champions League. Klinsmann then moved back to California with his family, and last month he wouldn't say whether he'd be interested in taking over the U.S. team. At the time, Klinsmann said he hoped Bradley kept the position for a long time.

For Gulati, domestic and foreign coaches both have advantages.

"Having someone who understands the mentality of Americans and American players is a plus. I don't think there's any doubt about that," he said. "On the other side of that, it's also a plus to have played in a World Cup final and coached in a World Cup final, and we don't have anyone that fits that in the United States."

# Armstrong

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Lance because of his crash at the Tour of California in May," Bruyneel said. "Their condition is rising and hopefully they will have reached their peak for the first day of the race."

The first week of this year's race should be very tense with riders going through seven cobblestone sectors over a total of 8.2 miles in the third stage between Wanze, Belgium, and Arenberg Porte du Hainaut, France, on July 6.

It will be the first time since 2004 that riders will have to handle cobblestones. "My riders will have to be on top from the first day," said Bruyneel, the man behind Armstrong's Tour de France victories. "It will be windy, the race will be very nervous and we'll have to tackle cobblestones."

# Roddick

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in straight sets. Roddick, after all, is a former No. 1 who won the 2003 U.S. Open and played in four other major finals, losing each to Roger Federer, including 16-14 in the fifth set at the All England Club in 2009.

And Lu? The guy arrived last week with a 6-18 career record in majors, including five consecutive first-round exits. He also lost in Wimbledon's first round the past four years. So even he had doubts as the match stretched beyond 4 1/2 hours.

"Fifth set, I don't believe I can win, because he's (a) better server than me," Lu said. "But I just tell myself, 'Even (if) I don't believe, I have to fight!'"

He pointed to the sky after ending the match with a forehand passing shot, dedicating the victory to his late father, a chicken farmer who died in 2000.

Lu's coach, Dirk Hordorff said: "Sometimes he's mentally not strong enough. But today he showed he was strong enough."

The second Monday at Wimbledon is one of the great spectacles in tennis, with all 32 remaining men and women in action, and there was quite an array of stars spread around the grounds. With the temperature moving into the 80s, and a cloudless sky, past Wimbledon champions the Williams sisters all played — and won in straight sets.

"A wonderful day for the fans," said Federer, who beat No. 16 Jurgen Melzer in

Armstrong — who launched his new team after last year's Tour — Kloeden and Leipheimer will be supported by Chris Horner, Janez Brajkovic, Sergio Paulinho, Yaroslav Popovych, Gregory Rast and Dmitriy Muravyev during the Tour.

"We have one of the strongest, one of the best teams," Armstrong said. "I don't think any of us go in as a favorite for the Tour, but between the three of us you never know. It's safe to say we'll always have the three of us in the final selection."

A three-leader strategy, however, is not a guarantee of success. In 2005, the former T-Mobile team, fielding former Tour winner Jan Ullrich, Alexandre Vinokourov and Kloeden failed in its bid to destroy Armstrong's goal to win a seventh straight Tour.

the main stadium, then observed, "Obviously I know every corner of this Centre Court. It helps."

Serena Williams followed him out there and pounded 19 aces in her 7-6 (9), 6-4 victory over 2004 champion Maria Sharapova.

"I had a few looks at her serve," Sharapova said, "but even when you had a good look, and the ball's coming at you in the 120s (mph), it's pretty tough to do much with it."

In a matchup between former No. 1s and Grand Slam champions from Belgium who recently came out of retirement, No. 8 Kim Clijsters beat No. 17 Justine Henin 2-6, 6-2, 6-3. Henin slid and tumbled to the grass in the match's third game, jarring her right elbow, and wasn't the same the rest of the way.

Lleyton Hewitt, the 2002 winner at the All England Club, lost to 2008 Australian Open champion Novak Djokovic 7-5, 6-4, 3-6, 6-4, while two-time major finalist Andy Murray — Britain's hope for its first homegrown male champion since 1936 — defeated No. 18 Sam Querrey of Santa Monica, Calif., 7-5, 6-3, 6-4 and is the only man yet to drop a set.

Lu's victory over Roddick was Monday's most significant surprise, by far, but it wasn't the only one.

The 62nd-ranked Petra Kvitova knocked off No. 3 Caroline Wozniacki, last year's U.S. Open runner-up, 6-2, 6-0; while No. 82 Tsvetana Pironkova eliminated No. 11 Marion Bartoli, the 2007 Wimbledon runner-up, 6-4, 6-4.

# Cooper allows 3 hits, S.C. within win of title

OMAHA, Neb. (AP) — Blake Cooper allowed three hits in eight-plus innings and Bobby Haney drove in a career-high three runs, moving South Carolina within a win of its first national title with a 7-1 victory over UCLA in Game 1 of the College World Series finals Monday night.

Pitching on three days' rest for the second straight time,

Cooper struck out 10 and carried a one-hitter into the ninth before running into trouble.

South Carolina fans cheered a drawn-out "COOOOP" as the senior right-hander left after 136 pitches and the bases loaded with no outs in the ninth. Reliever John Taylor finished, but not before the Bruins broke up the shutout when

Cody Regis scored on a double-play grounder.

The Gamecocks (53-16) and Bruins (51-16) play Game 2 on Tuesday night.

The first hit against Cooper came with one out in the fifth, when No. 9 batter Steve Rodriguez dropped a single down the right-field line. Cooper (13-2) retired the next 11 batters before Regis led off the ninth with a single

to right. Cooper walked Marc Navarro and Jeff Gelalich singled to chase the Gamecocks' starter.

South Carolina collected 11 of their 14 hits and six runs, four earned, in seven innings against UCLA starter Gerrit Cole (11-4). Cole had struck out 13 in eight innings in a win over TCU in his previous start, but he fanned only two Gamecocks.

# Class A Cowboys swept by Pocatello

Times-News

The Twin Falls Cowboys Class A American Legion Baseball team was swept Monday at Bill Ingram Field, losing 13-1 and 11-6 to Pocatello.

Pocatello scored seven in the first three innings of Game 1, which ended after five innings.

Three of the Cowboys' four hits were for extra bases — John Hohnhorst and Michael Garcia doubled and Thomas Corr tripled — but they came without

runners on the basepaths.

"The times we got hits we didn't have anyone on, and we had the bases loaded twice and couldn't get a hit," said Twin Falls coach Mark Schaal.

Twin Falls (11-12, 8-10 Area C) got better hitting in Game 2 but couldn't hold the fort defensively and gave up five runs in the top of the sixth for Pocatello to take the win.

Marcus Donaldson and Dakota Cummins had doubles for the Cowboys, who host the Wood River

Mud Dogs today.

## Game 1

Pocatello 13, Twin Falls Cowboys 1, five innings  
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Extra-base hits - 2B: Pocatello, Grady Buck, Drury; Twin Falls, John Hohnhorst, Michael Garcia. 3B: Twin Falls, Thomas Corr.

## Game 2

Pocatello 11, Twin Falls Cowboys 6  
Pocatello 500 005 1-11 12 1  
500 100 0-6 7 1  
Nate Harding, Mitch Murphy (2), Derek Watt (4) and Ty Wise; Thomas Corr, Nathan Hoy (5) and Trel Dowd, W. Watt, L. Hoy.  
Extra-base hits - 2B: Pocatello, Brody Cooper, Pat Ryan; Twin Falls, Marcus Donaldson, Dakota Cummins. 3B: Pocatello, Wise, Grady Burch.





# AGRIBUSINESS

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## Sugar beets the focus of U of I weed tour

S. Idaho growers replant nearly 30% of beet acres

By Cindy Snyder  
Times-News correspondent

KIMBERLY — Sugar beet fields seldom look uniform, but this year fields seem to be even more variable than usual. That's true even on research farms.

"Beets are always variable but this year seems to be extreme," said Dan Henningsen, as he gazed down a row of sugar beets that ranged from about 10 leaves and "nearly normal looking" to about 4-leaves with a yellowish cast.

Farmers report their fields look like that too with the larger plants resulting from the first planting, smaller plants from the second replanting and tiny seedlings from the third replanting all in the same row. Cold and windy conditions through much of May and June has set the crop back by 1 to 2 weeks. Across all of southern Idaho, about 55,000 acres or about 30 percent of the total acres had to be replanted this spring.

But at the field Henningsen was looking at had been planted just once. Researchers were lucky and only replanted one trail out of the 10 sugar beets trials

featured during the Kimberly Research and Extension Service weed tour. But slow growing conditions forced the University of Idaho to postpone the annual weed tour by a week.

Even though the plot's focus on weed problems and control, researchers incorporated different tillage practices to better reflect what is happening in fields across the Magic Valley. Strip tillage — where a shank opens a furrow into existing residue to plant the crop — is gaining acres especially in the sandier soil north of the Snake River and in MiniCassia. But researchers also no-tilled some beets this spring.

"Residue management is definitely an issue," said Don Morishita, U of I weed scientist. To get the planter through the field, researchers burned off the previous crop's stubble.

Researchers are also evaluating different residue levels to see how low, medium or high residue affects emergence, crop development and weed pressure. Residue from the low residue trials and applied to the high residue plots. That left the low residue plots with about

2,000 pounds per acre of residue compared to the high residue plots with 8,000 pounds per acre. Nothing was done to manage the residue levels in the medium plots which had 4,000 to 5,000 pounds per acre of residue.

One of the interesting trends that has been noted so far about this trial is that the emergence was better in the high residue plots. Researchers hypothesize that the residue may have provided some insulation which was beneficial in the region's cool, windy spring.

Researchers are also looking at differences in insect pressure, disease pressure and irrigation needs in conventional versus strip tilled beets. There is concern that as growers shift to minimal tillage practices, more residue left in fields may increase disease pressures. Entomologists are interested in whether the amount of residue impacts insect populations — both beneficial insects and those that are considered harmful.

Oliver Neher, a U of I plant pathologist in Twin Falls, is evaluating whether glyphosate applications affect the incidence and

severity of rhizoctonia or the uptake of nutrients in sugar beets. Glyphosate is the generic name for Roundup, a herbicide that can be applied to Roundup Ready beet fields.

Rhizoctonia is a disease concern in southern Idaho, especially because corn, beans and potatoes are alternate hosts for the soil-borne fungi. Depending on the type of rhizoctonia found, growers may see damping off in seedlings or crown rot in more mature plants.

Researchers are also studying the effects of herbicide drift on sugar beet plants and if applying so-called recovery products has an impact on plant survival or yield. This is the second year of the trial and Morishita intends to look at the effects of drift from a different herbicide each year.

Husky, a herbicide to control broadleaves in cereal crops, is being evaluated this year. To simulate drift, he applied Husky at 1/16th the labeled rate and then made the first application of a recovery product five days later.

"Inevitably, every year, we see herbicide drift injury to crops," Morishita explained.

## USDA, Dept. of Justice focus on dairy industry competition

Joint meeting held in Wisconsin

By Joshua Palmer  
Times-News writer

The Department of Justice and the U.S. Department of Agriculture have set their regulatory sights on the dairy industry, which both agencies say is consolidating more production and influence among fewer milk producers.

The two federal agencies held a joint meeting Friday in Madison, Wis., to discuss antitrust and regulatory enforcement of the dairy industry. The workshop was similar to those conducted earlier in the year regarding the poultry industry, which led to sweeping reform in antitrust rules surrounding the production and packing of poultry and other meats.

Gina Talamona, spokeswoman for the U.S. Department of Justice, said the discussions were organized at the request of Christine Varney, attorney general for the Justice Department's Antitrust Division, and U.S. Department of Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack.

"There were no preconceived notions going into this," Talamona said. "We are just in listening mode."

Talamona would not say what the agencies planned to do with the information gathered at the meeting, which she called an "unprecedented coordinated effort" between the USDA and Justice Department. In May, U.S. Attorney General Eric Holder and Vilsack pledged to step up antitrust enforcement in agricultural businesses at the request of the Obama administration.

"There is a new attitude in the antitrust division," Holder said to poultry producers. "Everyone should understand. There is no hesitancy on the part of this antitrust division, in this administration, to take action where we think it is needed. This antitrust division is open for business again."

Discussions surrounding the poultry industry led to changed in early June, which were approved by President Barack Obama, that made it easier to file suits under the Depression-era Packers and Stockyards Act by stating that farmers don't need to prove industrywide anticompetitive behavior to file a lawsuit under the act.

"The dairy industry has been hit particularly hard over the past 18 months, and, like other agricultural sectors, is experiencing consolidation and shrinking farm numbers," said Vilsack in a written statement. "A fair and competitive marketplace is important not only for producers, but also for consumers."

Bob Naerebout, executive director of the Idaho Dairymen's Association, said the discussions are currently focusing primarily around processors in the eastern United States. Nevertheless, he said his association is keeping a close eye on the discussions.

"Anytime you have a group of federal agencies get together, there is always the concern about changes that will affect us," he said. "I don't know of any dairy organization that isn't keeping an eye on this."

Idaho is the third largest milk producer in the nation, with the Magic Valley leading the charge toward larger operations that have replaced smaller producers — any sweeping regulatory reform, such as those changes that were made to the poultry industry could have a significant impact on Idaho.



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CINDY SNYDER/For the Times-News

Don Morishita, center, describes one of ten sugar beet trials featured during the annual University of Idaho weed tour at the Kimberly Research and Extension Center. This trial was no-tilled after the previous crop residue was burned off.

### IDAHO PRODUCTION REPORT

## Idaho milk production up 1.8 percent

Times-News

Idaho milk production totaled 1.08 billion pounds in May, a 1.8 percent increase from the same month last year, and up 4.4 percent from April, according to the National Agricultural Statistics Service.

April milk production was revised to 1.03 billion pounds, up 5 million pounds from the preliminary level. Average

milk production per cow in May was 1,930 pounds, up 20 pounds from May 2009. The average number of milk cows during May was 557,000 head, up 4,000 from May 2009, but unchanged from April 2010.

Milk production in the 23 major States during May totaled 15.7 billion pounds, up 1.3 percent from May 2009. The number of milk cows on farms in the 23 major States was 8.33 million

head, 143,000 head less than May 2009, but 4,000 head more than April 2010.

### May potato processing in Idaho down 7.3 percent

Processors in Idaho and Malheur County, Ore. used 6.83 million hundredweight of 2009 crop raw potatoes

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## A joke at the expense of 'The Other White Meat' slogan

Website gets a horse laugh over pork board unicorn letter

WASHINGTON — If you ever wonder what kind of work the lawyers for powerful industry groups get paid good money for, consider the case of the National Pork Board v. ThinkGeek Inc.

Lawyers representing the board, based in Des Moines, Iowa, sent a detailed "cease-and-desist" letter

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**Greener Pastures**  
By Dan Eggen • The Washington Post

to the Fairfax, Va.-based ThinkGeek website last month over its use of the well-known

trademark "The Other White Meat."

There's just one problem: The meat in question comes from unicorns.

Let's let the lawyers from Faegre & Benson explain: "We are writing you in connection with your activities at the Web site www.thinkgeek.com, wherein you have been marketing a product called 'Radiant Farms Canned Unicorn Meat' using the slogan 'Unicorn — the new white meat.' A copy of the Web site page is attached for your reference."

It goes on like that for 12 pages. The dry, legal response to an obvious joke has set off an Internet-wide case of the giggles, especially at the website targeted by the letter. The offending item was a prank "product launch" posted on April Fool's Day, complete with a picture of very unappealing, but fictional, canned meat.

"It was never our intention to cause a national crisis and misguide American citizens regarding the differences between the pig and the unicorn," deadpanned Scott Kauffman, president and chief

executive of Geeknet, the site's parent company. "In fact, ThinkGeek's canned unicorn meat is sparkly, a bit red and not approved by any government entity."

Pork Board spokeswoman Ceci Snyder said the board's attorneys are instructed to protect the "Other White Meat" trademark in all cases to avoid future legal challenges to the slogan.

"Clearly there's some fun being had, and we can laugh, too," Snyder said. "But in the end

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**Dates and rates**

DATES — June 30 — Crop reporting deadline.  
August 1 — Recons must be requested.

RATES — 90-Day Treasury Bill 0.125%; Farm Operating, Direct 3.125%; Farm Ownership, Direct 5.125%; Farm Ownership, Direct Down Payment 1.50%; Emergency 3.75%

MARKET SUMMARY

Table with columns for NYSE, AMEX, NASDAQ, DIARY, and INDEXES. Includes sub-sections for Most Active, Gainers, and Losers.

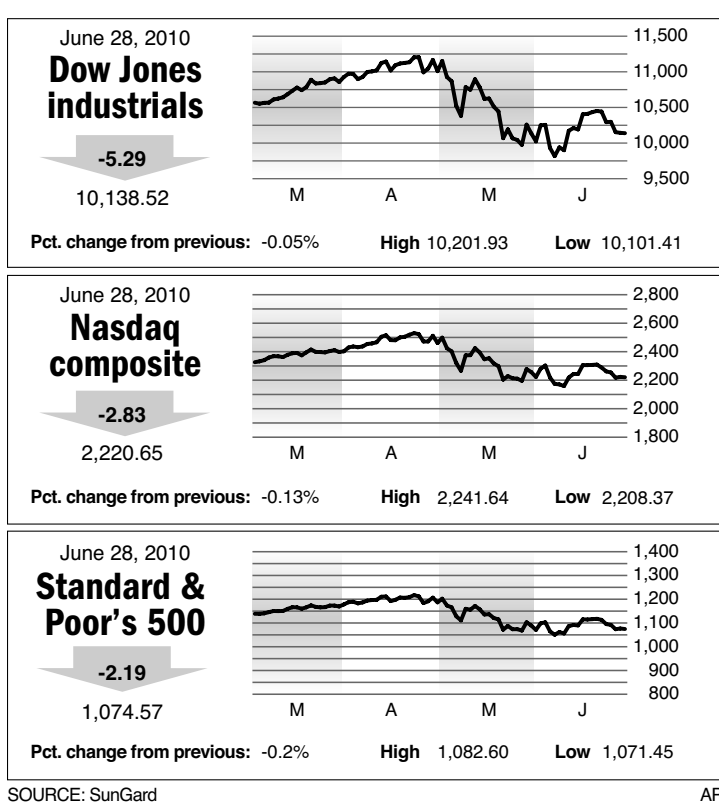
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STOCKS OF LOCAL INTEREST table listing local companies such as AlliantEgy, AmCasino, and Aon Corp with their stock prices and changes.

HOW TO READ THE REPORT

Stock Footnotes: cc - PE greater than 99. dd - Loss in last 12 mos. d - New 52-wk low during trading day. g - Dividend in Canadian \$. Stock price in U.S. \$.

TODAY ON WALL STREET



NEW YORK (AP) - A darkening view of the economy sent bond market interest rates to their lowest level in 14 months and kept many investors out of the stock market.

COMMODITIES REPORT

Table of commodity prices including Beans, Livestock, Grains, Metals/Money, and Oils. Lists various types of beans, livestock, grains, and metal prices.

Roundup resistant weeds pose environmental threat

Greater resistance may lead to more herbicide usage

CHAMPAIGN, Ill. - When the weed killer Roundup was introduced in the 1970s, it proved it could kill nearly any plant while still being safer than many other herbicides.

MORE ONLINE

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water hemp and marestail in Illinois, grow fast and big, producing tens of thousands of seeds.

ment because it quickly binds to soil and becomes inactive. Monsanto's introduction of seeds designed to survive Roundup made things even better for farmers because they could spray it on emerging crops to wipe out the weeds growing alongside them.

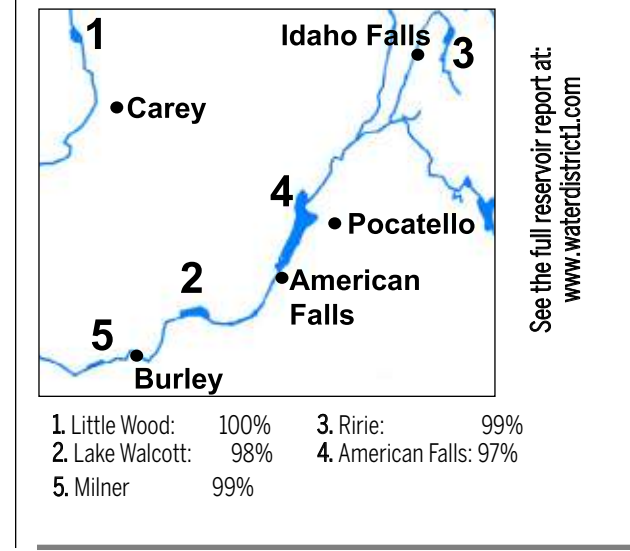
centage of the species. St. Louis-based Monsanto maintains the resistance is often overstated, noting that most weeds show no sign of immunity.

Production

Continued from Sports 4 during May, down 7.3 percent from May 2009, according to the National Agricultural Statistics Service.

processed. The remaining 7.23 million hundredweight were produced in other states. Processors in the 9 major States have used 160 million hundredweight of potatoes this season, down 5 percent from the same period last year.

RESERVOIR LEVELS



Slogan

Continued from Sports 4 they're just following the law." The board - whose members are appointed by the secretary of agriculture - administers a fee levied

on pork imports and production for the good of the industry. The organization often works closely with the National Pork Producers Council, the industry's main lobbying

group. The Pork Board has been down this road before: In 2007, it came under attack for sending a similar letter to a breastfeeding website that was marketing T-shirts with

the slogan "The Other White Milk." ThinkGeek says it's confident that its use of the slogan is protected as parody by fair-use laws. Either that, or by the unicorns.

Advertisement for Arctic Cat Southern Idaho dealership, featuring the slogan 'We're Still Here' and listing services like 'Come See Our Showroom' and 'Accessories'.

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