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## When it isn't enough

Idaho leads national increase in food stamp use



By Amy Huddleston  
Times-News writer

**K**elly Malmstrom lost her job as a large-animal veterinarian after suffering a badly broken arm in 2006. Over the last four years she's undergone more than four surgeries while watching her once-comfortable life spiral into poverty.

Emily Flores is a single mother of four children all under the age of 6. She makes \$7.50 an hour at her full-time housekeeping job.



Emily Flores takes a call on her cell phone as she shops with her children, Matthew Flores, 3, and Maricela Flores, 4, and relative Yesenia Vazquez, 11, at a Twin Falls grocery store. Flores said she usually does a little bit of shopping on the first of each month when she gets her food stamp money.

Dawn Rollins has been sober 14 months after struggling with methamphetamine addiction for 22 years. She said she's been looking for work everywhere.

The faces and stories are different, but the need is the same. Today one in eight Idahoans receives federal assistance to fill the basic need of putting food on the table.

They are next-door neighbors, co-workers, parents gathering their children from day care. And they need help, now more than ever.

From March 2009 to March 2010, Idahoans' participation in the federal Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program — commonly called the food stamp program — increased by 42.5 percent, according to the most recent U.S. Department of Agriculture Food and Nutrition Service statistics. That's more than double the nationwide increase of 21.1 percent during the same span.

More than 200,000 of the 1.55 million people that the U.S. Census Bureau estimates call

**Learn more**

Information on SNAP or other assistance may be found at [www.healthandwelfare.idaho.gov](http://www.healthandwelfare.idaho.gov) or by calling 211 or 800-926-2588.

Idaho home are now enrolled in SNAP, which in 2009 provided \$122.90 per month in food assistance benefits to enrolled Idahoans. Nationwide, more than 40 million Americans are expected to receive more than \$62 billion in benefits this year from the federal program.

The increase in SNAP participation — both nationwide and in the Gem State — is notable but not unexpected during an economic downturn.

"Traditionally, Idaho had a low percentage of people on food stamps, but food stamps are an instant indicator of employment," Idaho Department of Health and Welfare spokesman Tom Shanahan said. "Now people don't have a choice. If you can't feed your family, you are going to come in."

Health and Welfare administers the federal program on the state level. Benefits are accessed through Idaho Quest Cards, which are similar to credit cards and can be scanned at stores to pay for groceries.

The range of SNAP participants is as varied as the items that line grocery store aisles. But all of their incomes flirt with the federal poverty line. They are single mothers and married couples, the recently unemployed, the unremitting poor and workers who have encountered an illness, a death or another unexpected life change that's necessitated their pursuit of assistance.

The past three years have taken Malmstrom's family along what she described as a "rags to riches, back to rags" story.

Her husband, Jeff, lost his job when Latham Motors in Twin Falls went under in 2008, and she still deals with the effects of the injury that disabled her to the point where she was unable to reclaim her job as

See **FOOD**, Main 5



Maricela Flores, 4, eats a plum June 23 at the Twin Falls School District's free summer lunch program at Lincoln Elementary School in Twin Falls. Emily Flores said her children love to eat fresh fruit and salad, but without the federal food stamp program the fresh fruit would be too expensive to buy for her family.

## Getting to know Kagan

Portrait of Supreme Court nominee emerges

By Nancy Benac  
Associated Press writer

WASHINGTON — Confident but still cautious. Smart and then some. Disarming. Knowing. Wicked funny.

This week's Senate confirmation hearings were America's first and probably last chance for an in-depth conversation with Elena Kagan, who most likely will soon vanish into the cloistered corridors of the Supreme Court.



Kagan

Judging, she told the Senate Judiciary Committee, is "not a robotic or automatic enterprise." Nor were Kagan's answers. Even one of her toughest questioners, Republican Jeff Sessions of Alabama, said her responses had revealed her "gifts and graces" — though without telling senators much about how she'd rule.

She fielded legal questions of every variety, comfortable enough to admit it when she hadn't a clue about a particular case and savvy enough to clam up when she knew an answer could get her in hot water.

"I have a feeling if I do that, I'm going to end up doing many things that I regret," Kagan said as she declined one senator's invitation to state an opinion. She deflected any number of questions, to the frustration of the questioners.

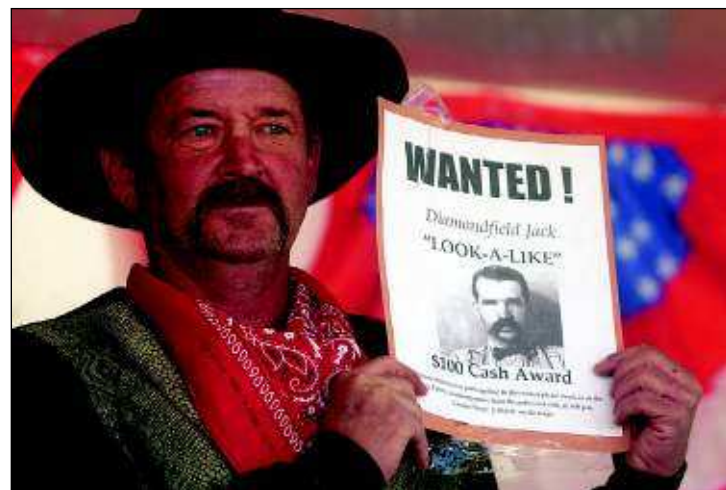
At the same time, Kagan framed her answers in plain-spoken language that suggested this product of Princeton, Oxford and Harvard still had her feet on the ground.

She called one senator's hypothetical legislation "a dumb law." The Constitution, she said, was a "genius document."

See **KAGAN**, Main 4

## Mining Albion's history

'Diamondfield Jack' contest highlights historical society efforts, trials



DREW GODLESKI/For the Times-News

Darren Smyer holds up a picture of Jackson 'Diamondfield Jack' Davis during a look-alike contest Saturday in Albion.

By Laura Lundquist  
Times-News writer

ALBION — Few tourists driving through Albion would know the tiny Cassia County town played a big role in Idaho's history. But during Saturday's Hometown Freedom Celebration, people got a glimpse of Albion's past, and one local group is working to extend that opportunity year-round.

Along with horseshoe matches and hot dogs, organizers offered people the opportunity to experience history first-hand by acting in a play based upon the 1897 trial of Jackson "Diamondfield Jack" Davis.

Davis got his nickname by bragging about trying to mine diamonds near Silver City, Idaho. He then

worked for a cattle ranch, tasked with running sheep out of the area. He was wrongfully accused of killing two shepherders and was found guilty by a jury of sheep ranchers. Many involved in the trial went on to be state leaders. And it all happened in Albion because it used to be the Cassia County seat.

"That's what made it important — all the big wigs that came here," said Albion Historical Society member Tressa Toner. "It was kind of the end of the code of the West where people were just hanged."

Historian Verlene Powell wrote a one-act play based upon the trial transcripts. The play debuted in the 1980s, but the last time the curtain came up on the play was a few years ago.

"People loved to come watch it," Powell said. "But I can't get people to act anymore; they don't want to come to practice."

So, this year's play was to be "impromptu" with three performances Saturday afternoon. The tiny Albion Civic Center was decked with the actual courtroom furnishings, including juror's chairs topped with paper sheep's-head drawings.

Powell set out copies of the play and costumes so people could just show up. But 1 p.m. came and went with no would-be actors.

"We're an experiment this year," Powell said. "It's a really fun play if people would just come."

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# MORNING BRIEFING

## Pat's Picks

Three things to do today

Pat Marcantonio



This is the big day. Fireworks. Potato salad. Friends.

- Show off your mad cooking skills at the Snake River BBQ Cook-Off at the corner of Falls Avenue and Blue Lakes Boulevard in Twin Falls, starting at 2 p.m. The best cook gets money and the rest of us can eat. Cost for cooks is \$35. Proceeds go to support the Twin Falls Optimist Club.
- Community celebrations include Sagebrush Days in Buhl, the city of Bliss Fourth of July celebration and a nondenominational patriotic concert presented by Mini-Cassia area churches at 6 and 8 p.m. at the King Fine Arts Center

auditorium, 2100 Parke Ave. Don't forget the Jerome Community Freedom Celebration at Jerome's City Park, and the Twin Falls celebration based at the College of Southern Idaho. Check out the full list of activities in the *Times-News* and on [Magicvalley.com](http://Magicvalley.com).

● In case you haven't heard, Jackpot, Nev., also has a great fireworks display. Not to mention a great golf course, food and gambling.

*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).*

## TODAY'S HAPPENINGS

### ARTS AND ENTERTAINMENT

**Ketchum Antiques Show**, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., nexStage Theatre, 120 S. Main St., Ketchum, 726-9124; **Hailey's Main Street Antique Show**, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. north of McDonald's; and **Hailey Antique Market**, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Roberta McKercher Park and Hailey Armory, free admission, 788-9292.

### BENEFITS AND FUNDRAISERS

**Magic Valley Citizens' Fourth of July breakfast**, includes pancakes, eggs and other breakfast treats, 7 to 10 a.m., Twin Falls City Park, \$5 donation, proceeds go toward the fireworks display in 2011, [Twinfallsfireworks.org](http://Twinfallsfireworks.org).

### FOURTH OF JULY CELEBRATION

**Fourth of July celebration**, 9 a.m. to noon, Blaine Country Recreation District children's carnival on Main and Carbonate streets; 11:30 a.m., Black Jack Ketchum Shootout Gang, Main Street and Bullion; noon, parade along Main Street, followed by live music at Sun Valley Brewery and Vintage Gypsy; Fourth of July Hailey Criterium, 1 p.m. in downtown Hailey (cash prizes), registration begins at 11:30 a.m. in front of KB's Burritos and WiseGuy Pizza on Main Street, current USCF license must be presented or purchased at registration. 578-BCRD or [bcrd.org](http://bcrd.org). **Hailey Days of the Old West Rodeo**, 7:30 p.m., Hailey Rodeo Grounds (\$15 for reserved seating, \$10 general admission for adults, and \$5 for children under 12); and fireworks at dusk near Wood River High School, 788-3484 or [haileyidaho.com](http://haileyidaho.com), or 720-6674 (rodeo). **Jerome's fourth annual Community Freedom Celebration**, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m., downtown at the Jerome city parks, family activities throughout the day with fireworks at dusk, Jerome High School, no cost, 324-2711 or [jeromefreedomcelebration.com](http://jeromefreedomcelebration.com). **Sagebrush Days**, continues, 10 a.m. Community Church Service at Calvary Chapel, and 5 p.m. Tractor Pull at Buhl Rodeo Grounds with Magic Valley Antique

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Check out our online calendar where you can submit events and search by category for specific events and dates. [www.magicvalley.com/app/calendar/events/](http://www.magicvalley.com/app/calendar/events/)



Tractor Pullers Association, 543-6682 or [Buhlchamber.org](http://Buhlchamber.org). **Fourth of July Ice Cream Social**, presented by Sun Valley Center for the Arts, 1 to 3 p.m. on the lawn at The Center, 314 S. Second Ave., Hailey, free root beer floats with ice cream, "Timber!" exhibition is open with two temporary installations using the trees on the Hailey property, [Sunvalleycenter.org](http://Sunvalleycenter.org) or 726-9491, ext. 10. **84th annual Fourth of July celebration**, continues at the Rupert Square, free entertainment, food booths, carnival opens at 1 p.m., and Community Patriotic Program, 6:30 p.m. at the gazebo, 436-9748. **Fourth of July celebration**, community potluck, 5 p.m., City Park (bring two side dishes, plates and utensils), followed by fireworks, 10 p.m. at Rolling Hills Park, Hansen, 423-5158. **Fourth of July celebration**, community picnic, 5 p.m., Lincoln County Fairgrounds in Shoshone (bring a side dish), followed by a free ice cream and cake social, and fireworks at dusk, 886-2030. **Sun Valley Resort's Frontier Fun**, begins at 5 p.m. with high school musical talent followed by Sound County with country western music, around the opera house and duck pond; barbecue, 6 p.m.; Rhinestone Ropers perform, 8 p.m.; Sound County, 8:30 p.m.; and fireworks display, 10 p.m.; Sun Valley, free events include miniature train rides, roping and rope making, bingo, sack races, bouncy house, bean bag toss, fly-fishing casting and face painting, 622-2135. **"God Bless America,"** annual patriotic program, nondenominational concert presented by Mini-Cassia area churches, 6 and 8 p.m., King Fine Arts Center auditorium, 2100 Parke Ave., Burley, no cost, open to the public, 678-2100. **Twin Falls Fourth of July celebration**, on the College of Southern Idaho campus: **Lighthouse Christian Fellowship's Freedom Celebration**, 7 p.m. on lawn west of Herrett Center for Arts and Science (7 p.m., free hot dogs and root beer floats; 8 p.m., games for children; and 9:15 p.m., Jason Houser and The Seeds concert); **Twin Falls Municipal Band patriotic concert**, 8 p.m. in front of Fine Arts Center, free (includes patriotic sing-along); **Snake River Skydiving** with aerial acrobatics, 9 p.m.; and fireworks show, 10 p.m., launched near Health Science and Human Services building, free (presented by Magic Valley Citizens' Fourth of July Fireworks Committee); 734-8662 or [Twinfallsfireworks.org](http://Twinfallsfireworks.org). **Community fireworks show**, at dusk, Gooding Middle and High School lawn, 1047 Seventh Ave. W., Gooding, no cost, 934-5669. **Burley Fireworks show**, by the city of Burley, at dusk, Burley Municipal Golf Course Marina, no cost, 878-2224. **Fairfield Fireworks show**, at dusk, with viewing at City Park, west side of town, no cost, 764-2333. **Richfield Fireworks show**, at dusk, Richfield High School football field, no cost, 487-2755.

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

## Running Thunder Road on the Fourth of July

Today is Independence Day, which means it's high noon up on the roof of America.

Near where the Continental Divide sorts the waters of the Pacific from those of the Atlantic, unmarked police cars cruise the parking lots and back streets of the small towns of western Wyoming. They're Utah cops, mostly, looking for folks looking to have fun.

See, Wyoming is to fireworks what Vegas is to buffets — anything goes — and a lot of Utahns and Idahoans want some of the action.

This is because Utah and most of the counties of eastern Idaho are buzzkills when it comes to pop and crackle. Time was that just thinking about cherry bombs could get you a weekend pushing broom in the Fremont County Jail.

So if you're a teenager — or better still, a preteen — who lives on the Pacific side of the Divide, the lure of places like Freedom, Afton, Alpine and Evanston is irresistible.

Most of the fireworks stands — including the iconic Porter's Fireworks and Firewater — are in Evanston nowadays, but when I was a lad growing up in Pocatello every guy my age embraced Freedom.

Freedom was a half-portion of a town built astride the Wyoming-Idaho border as a refuge for Mormon polygamists in the 1870s. Time was, if you were under threat of being busted for plural marriage in Idaho, all you had to do was step across the border to be perfectly legal in Wyoming.

By the 1960s, most of the polygamists had given way M-80s, M-100 Silver Salutes, M-250s and M-1000s — also known as Quarter Sticks because they

## DON'T ASK ME

Steve Crump



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were effectively one-fourth stick of dynamite.

Before these fireworks — technically, "illegal explosives" — were banned by federal law, the 60-mile stretch of U.S. Highway 89 between Montpelier and Afton was hotter than Tennessee Highway 33 in the Robert Mitchum moonshiner movie "Thunder Road."

My third cousin was a deputy, and one of two officers in the Bear Lake County Sheriff's Office, for awhile. He essentially spent the last half of June and the first four days of July sitting in his 1955 Pontiac police cruiser on the Idaho-Wyoming line.

Unfortunately for Dean, the kids running fireworks were driving GTOs and Mustangs.

So the only scofflaws Dean caught up to were the stupid, who couldn't wait to get back to Soda Springs to set off their bottle rockets.

One year he pulled over a truck outside Montpelier, just sure it was chockablock with pyrotechnics.

"Boy, you just as well tell me right now where you got your load," Dean said menacingly.

"Ah, Albertsons, sir," the driver replied.

With that, Dean flung open the doors.

No fireworks — just cases of Coors the kid was running from Idaho to the Midwest, where the brand was then unavailable.

When Dean told me the story, I laughed. He didn't, and I wondered why.

Finally, he said with disgust: "I had to tell him to have a nice day."

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From left, Troy Mortensen, Nick Knudsen, Darren Smyer and Spenser Gailey, 8, compete in the Diamondfield Jack look-alike contest Saturday in Albion. Knudsen won the contest.

DREW GODLESKI/For the Times-News

## Diamondfield

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Those who came a bit later included a few men with dark mustaches. They borrowed vests and ties to enter the Diamondfield Jack look-alike contest.

"He was supposed to be a short, stocky man so maybe he made up for his size by being a big talker," Powell said.

Contestant Nick Knudsen looked at photos showing Davis with an ample mustache drooping below the corners of his

mouth.

"I just shaved the other day," Knudsen said, fingering his shorter mustache.

Looking like Davis was old hat for Darren Smyer, who played the cattleman in the play in 1987. Eight-year-old Spenser Gailey entered the contest because "Diamondfield Jack was a kid too." But it was Knudsen who walked away with the \$100 prize.

The two events were meant to educate but also highlight the needs of the

Albion Historical Society. At the end of the day, all the courtroom trappings had to go back into storage, some at Powell's house, because the society has no museum. The society lost its former home when the nearby college buildings were closed in the early '90s.

"What we need is a home for the historical society," said Don Danner, historical society president.

The society has been trying to get grant money

but many sources have dried up. Powell said she's seen the need.

"People are always calling up asking about their ancestors and bringing us their family stuff when they don't know what to do with it," Powell said. "Plus the play might do better if we had a place to do the re-enactment."

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## Allred lists 3 steps for 'open and fair' taxes

The country's founding fathers fought against the British because of taxation without representation, among other things.

And three days before Independence Day, gubernatorial candidate Keith Allred talked Thursday about Idaho's tax system and outlined three proposals aimed at promoting "openness and fair play."

Allred, a Democratic candidate challenging Republican Gov. C.L. "Butch" Otter, would boost staffing for the Tax Commission, require annual independent audits to see if the politically connected are getting preferential treatment, and remove "ineffective tax exemp-

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Ben Botkin



tions" to cut overall rates.

"We will see to it that Idaho taxpayers aren't punished for playing by the rules and that tax deadbeats don't steal our kids' textbooks," Allred said in a statement. "We will ensure that Idahoans get the fair and equal treatment under the law that they deserve."

The Tax Commission has been an issue both on the campaign trail and in the most recent legislative session, when some lawmakers pushed for more fund-

ing to hire additional auditors to boost tax collections — and thereby state revenue. Funding for another 43 temporary workers, including auditors and other technicians, was approved in the session, though some believed it didn't go far enough.

Allred's call for audits is different from the approach of state Rep. Shirley Ringo, D-Moscow, who has filed a lawsuit against the Tax Commission, accusing it of cutting special breaks for well-connected individuals.

### Endorsement

At a press conference in Boise, Allred was joined by former state Sen. Hal

Bunderson, a Republican who represented District 14 in Ada County from 1993 to 2006.

"It's out of interest for the state of Idaho that I decided principles are much more important than party for this race," Bunderson said.

Bunderson believes Allred would govern from the center, and has the business and academic background that makes him suited for the job, along with the right pro-business and pro-family values.

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# For some, overseas duty comes during Independence Day

By Ben Botkin  
Times-News writer

Army Spc. Christopher Petersen won't spend Independence Day with his family.

The soldier from Eden will be in Iraq, where he's based in Tikrit with the Third Infantry Division. A soldier who works in the intelligence field, Petersen spends his days working on computers and their network.

Stationed in Iraq since October 2009, Petersen is in his first tour of duty there. A graduate of Magic Valley High School in Twin Falls, he entered the Army in June 2008, shortly after finishing school.

"The hardest part is being away from my family," said Petersen, 20, in a telephone interview with

the Times-News.

He and his wife, Danielle Petersen, have two sons: Joshua, who is 2 years old, and Liam, who was born in February when his father was in Iraq. Christopher came back for a visit shortly after his son's birth.

"If you ask him where his daddy is, he'll say, 'My daddy is in Iraq, working,'" Danielle said of their oldest child.

That doesn't stop Christopher from talking with his children, though.

"Even though he's in Iraq, he's still a great dad," Danielle said, adding that he talks with his sons over a webcam and on the telephone. "It really gets to him being away from us and the boys. I couldn't have asked



Petersen

for a better husband or better dad."

The long-distance milestone moments have already accumulated for the couple. In May, Danielle and Christopher celebrated their two-year wedding anniversary together with a telephone conversation.

The soldier's routine stays the same each day. Petersen gets up at about 7 a.m., does physical training and works out in the gym before starting a 12-hour shift at 10 a.m.

When his shift ends at 10 p.m., he usually does another physical training session and returns to his room to relax, go online, or watch a movie.

"It's a lot of monotony," he said. "The same thing

every day."

But, the best thing about being in Iraq is being there to serve his country, he said.

While Americans back home will barbecue and watch fireworks on Independence Day, that won't be the case for Christopher, who expects the holiday will be "probably just another busy day at work."

Danielle, who is staying with family in Caldwell during Christopher's deployment, will have to make do without him around for the holiday.

"Our plans are pretty much just to spend time with our family," she said. "It's going to be sad celebrating it without him."

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# Fourth of July brings closures around M.V.

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Many offices and facilities are closed Monday for Independence Day:

- Most city offices are closed, including in Twin Falls, Jerome, Burley, Rupert, Hailey, Ketchum, Gooding and Shoshone.
- County, state and federal offices are closed.
- Post offices are closed.
- Most banks are closed.
- Twin Falls Public Library is closed.

- The College of Southern Idaho is closed.
- Herrett Center for Arts and Science is closed.
- The YMCA/Twin Falls City Pool is closed today; open regular hours Monday.
- Magic Valley Mall is open regular hours.
- Trash will not be picked up; trash collection is one day later.
- Southern Idaho Solid Waste District transfer stations will be closed Monday.



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# Presenting with pride

## Jerome firefighter color guard springs from volunteer's dream

By Amy Huddleston  
Times News Writer

JEROME — Jerome firefighter and engineer Lynn Weigt remembers when the city's color guard was just a dream, born out of an idea by Warren Ward, a volunteer firefighter and Jerome's assistant fire chief.

It had been just an idea until Ward died of complications from Lou Gehrig's disease in 2003.

Brent Blamires, senior captain of the Jerome Fire Department, then took on the challenge to unify the group in Ward's honor. With help from area businesses, he raised \$6,000 to buy uniforms and things took off for the Magic Valley's only firefighter color guard. His new goal is to learn how to play the bagpipes so the guard can be up to par with similar color guards in Idaho Falls and Boise.

"Warren had always talked about it and when he passed away, that's when I took it a step further to raise money for the uniforms," Blamires said. "We'll perform at anything where people want the flag to be posted."

The 12 volunteer firefighters perform an average of seven times a year at different events, ranging from



Photo courtesy Brent Blamires

The Jerome Fire Department Color Guard presents the American flag during the 2009 Jerome Freedom Celebration.

### PRESENTING THE COLORS

The Jerome Fire Department Color Guard will present the American flag at 11 a.m. today at the Jerome City Park. For more information on today's festivities in Jerome, visit [www.jeromefreedomcelebration.com](http://www.jeromefreedomcelebration.com).

funerals and school functions to today's Jerome Freedom Celebration. Blamires said each event is treated with the highest regard and respect.

The emotions that go along with putting on the black-and-red uniform and presenting the American flag are often patriotic, reflective and proud. For Weigt, who has served as an on-call firefighter since

1989 and full-time since 2001, the development of the color guard has given him a chance to continue his tradition of service to the flag. Weigt served in the military for 21 years and completed an 18-month deployment to Iraq. He said putting on the uniform invokes strong memories.

"I've been pretty patriotic my whole life. I tell people if you cut me open I'd

"We'll perform at anything where people want the flag to be posted."

— Brent Blamires, senior captain of the Jerome Fire Department

bleed red, white and blue," Weigt said. "It's pretty special to me to do these events. I get more emotional every time."

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## T.F. man suspected of rape

Times-News

A Twin Falls man remains in custody for allegedly raping a co-worker.

Anthony O. Flores-Avalos, 22, was arrested Thursday after a 20-year-old female reported that she was sexually assaulted by Avalos at her apartment, where she had invited some co-workers that evening.

The alleged victim told Twin Falls police that Avalos followed her to her bathroom and allegedly raped her. She claimed that she left for her

bedroom and Avalos pursued her before being escorted out by other co-workers who heard her protests.

Police picked up Avalos early that morning and questioned him.

According to police, Avalos had no state identification and claimed he didn't speak much English. After a translator was located, Avalos was read his Miranda rights and taken to Twin Falls County Jail.

His bond was set at \$10,000, with a preliminary hearing set for Friday.

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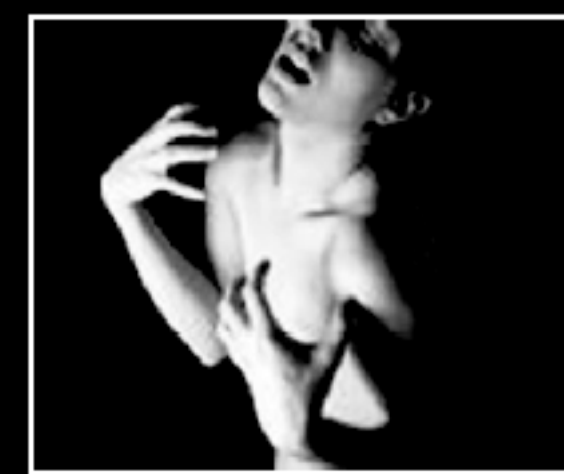
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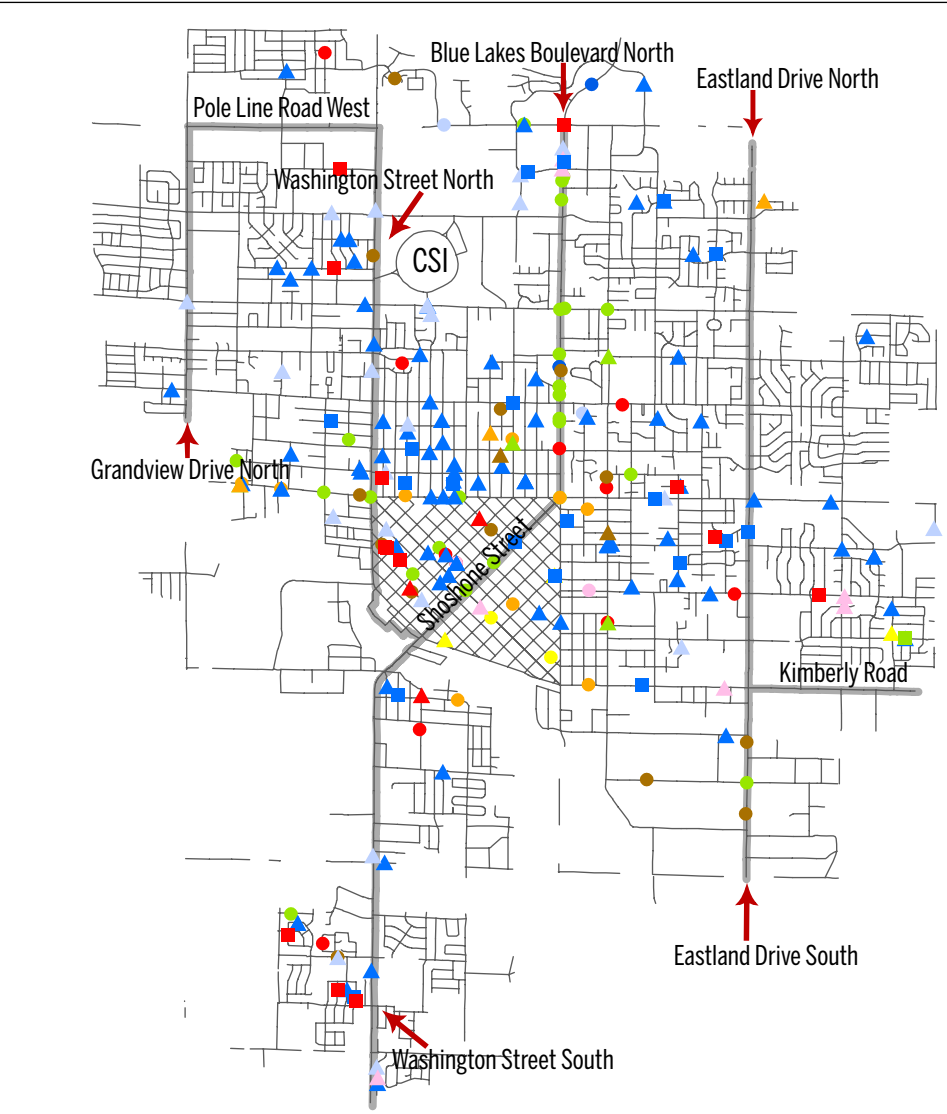
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Supreme Court nominee Elena Kagan testifies on Capitol Hill in Washington, Wednesday before the Senate Judiciary Committee.

## Kagan

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But the notion of a living Constitution was too "loosey-goosey?"

A thesis on judging that she'd written before attending law school was so off-base she suggested: "Let's just throw that piece of work in the trash, why don't we?"

Throughout three days of testimony, Kagan's casual, self-deprecating humor charmed her toughest critics even as she dodged their most penetrating questions.

When Arlen Specter, D-Pa., impatiently rejected her answer to one question, she gently asked, "Well, may I try again?"

When Tom Coburn, R-Okla., promised her a "softball" question near the end of one long day of testimony, it sounded almost too good to be true.

"You promise?" she asked, to laughter.

At another point, Kagan left Specter temporarily speechless when she said the prospect of allowing cameras in the Supreme Court, which she supports, might mean "I'd have to get my hair done more often."

Specter hunched that her humor could do the court good.

Kagan began her appearance before the committee with a sentimental nod to her parents, both deceased.

"I guess I got a little from each side," she said — her father, a lawyer who served the "ordinary people," her mother, a demanding teacher who "changed people's lives."

Even Kagan's elocution spoke to her Manhattan roots, references to "the law" sounded more like "the lore."

And she brought down the house with her answer to a passing question about her whereabouts last Christmas, when there was an attempted airplane bombing.

"You know, like all Jews, I was probably at a Chinese restaurant," she said to applause.

Asked why she wanted to be a justice, Kagan said unrevealingly, "It's just an opportunity to serve ... that's it!"

But her eyes lit up as she talked later about watching the nine justices of the Supreme Court in action during oral arguments, which she attended regularly in her last job as solicitor general.

"Every one of them is so prepared to talk about the case, so into the case, so engaged, obviously so smart, and, I think, trying to get it right," she said. "I developed a real appreciation for the court through those oral arguments."

Through 17 hours of questioning, Kagan was careful not to give away too much.

Sessions lamented that her cautious answers had left many wondering, "Who is this nominee? Exactly what do you believe?"

"Where are your passions?" another senator pressed Kagan.

"I think I will take it one case at a time if I'm a judge," she said. It wouldn't be right "to come in saying, 'Oh, I have a passion for this and that!'"

Kagan, a former Harvard Law dean and veteran of the Clinton White House, allowed that her political views were "generally progressive." But she assured lawmakers she hadn't worn her "political hat" for a long time.

Sen. Jon Kyl, R-Ariz., asked her if there was any room in deciding cases to draw on "what's in the judge's heart." Kagan wouldn't give an inch.

"It's the law all the way down," she said.

"Judging is not a robotic or automatic enterprise," she said, "especially on the cases that get to the Supreme Court. A lot of them are very difficult. And people can disagree about how the constitutional text or precedent, how they apply to a case. But it's law all the way down, regardless."

When her turn in the witness chair ended at last, Kagan allowed that the hearings had been "somewhat wearying."

But also, she said, "a great moment in my life."

In some ways, it was a liberating experience, too.

Time after time, during the hearings, Kagan took two steps back from something she'd written long ago and explained that she hadn't been writing "in my own voice."

Instead, she'd been crafting arguments for somebody else.

"I've created a lot of talking points in my time," she said to laughter.

Well, she's not speaking for anyone else anymore.

Associated Press writer Ann Sanner contributed to this report.

## 5TH DISTRICT COURT NEWS

### TWIN FALLS COUNTY FELONY SENTENCINGS

Larrack W. Begay Sr., 41, Twin Falls; forgery, four years penitentiary, two determinate, two indeterminate, two years probation, \$100.50 costs, \$500 public defender fee, \$361 restitution.

Quinton A. Miller, 20, Bliss; aid/abet burglary, five years penitentiary, two determinate, three indeterminate, four years probation, \$125.50 costs, \$500 public defender fee.

Nathaniel L. Thomas, 26, Twin Falls; trafficking in methamphetamine/and or amphetamine by attempted manufacturing, 10 years penitentiary, two determinate, eight indeterminate, \$10,000 fine, \$165.50 costs, \$8,521.56 restitution, therapeutic community recommended.

Phillip R. Rice, 33, Twin Falls; possession of methamphetamine, five years penitentiary, one determinate, four indeterminate, judge granted retained jurisdiction, sentenced to 180 days to be served at the Idaho State Board of Correction, \$165.50 costs, \$500 public defender fee, \$500.98 restitution, Correctional Alternative Placement Program recommended.

Brooke N. McDaniel, 24, Twin Falls; possession of methamphetamine, four years penitentiary, two determinate, two indeterminate, judge granted retained jurisdiction, sentenced to 180 days to be served at the Idaho State Board of Correction, \$110.50 costs, \$250 public defender fee.

Lyndon M. Buffington, 27, Twin Falls; three counts battery on police officer, five years penitentiary determined, \$500 fine, \$125.50 costs, concurrent, \$350 public defender fee, \$2,166.93 restitution.

James P. Cooke, 28, Jerome; amended judgment of conviction, two counts aggravated assault, five years penitentiary, two determinate, three indeterminate, judge granted retained jurisdiction, sentenced to 180 days to be served at the Idaho State Board of Correction, \$125.50 costs, concurrent.

Michael L. Buffington aka Lyndon M. Buffington, 27, Twin Falls; forgery, 10 years penitentiary, five determinate, five indeterminate, \$1,000 fine, \$125.50 costs, \$350 public defender fee.

Travis A. Michelli, 29, Twin Falls; issuing check without funds, three years penitentiary, two determinate, three indeterminate; issuing check without funds, three years penitentiary, two determinate, three indeterminate, concurrent, two years probation, enroll in financial counseling, \$125.50 costs, \$500 public defender fee, \$1,023.13 restitution.

Anthony S. McEwen, 20, Twin Falls; possession of methamphetamine, five years penitentiary, two determinate, three indeterminate, three years probation, \$165.50 costs, \$250 public defender fee, \$954.33 restitution, 100 hours community service.

### FELONY DISMISSALS

William E. Edwards, 20, Twin Falls; possession of controlled substance, dismissed by prosecutor.

**DRIVING UNDER THE INFLUENCE SENTENCINGS**

William J. Carlson, 29, Twin Falls; driving under the influence, \$500 fine, \$300 suspended, \$182.50 costs, 90 days jail, 88 suspended, one day credited, one day work detail, driving privileges suspended 90 days, 12 months probation, no alcohol.

Gregorio D. Montalvan, 20, Twin Falls; driving under the influence, \$500 fine, \$300 suspended, \$182.50 costs, 90 days jail, 86 suspended, two days credited, two days work detail, driving privileges suspended 120 days, 12 months probation, no alcohol.

David R. Jennings, 47, Filer; driving under the influence, \$500 fine, \$300 suspended, \$182.50 costs, 90 days jail, 86 suspended, two days credited, two days work detail, driving privi-

### DRIVING UNDER THE INFLUENCE SENTENCINGS

appointed, preliminary July 9.

Ruperto A. Cuevas, 22, Twin Falls; possession of controlled substance, recognizance release, court compliance program, pleaded not guilty, public defender appointed, pretrial Aug. 10.

Anthony O. Flores-Avalos, 22, Twin Falls; rape, \$10,000, public defender appointed, preliminary July 9.

### DRIVING UNDER THE INFLUENCE SENTENCINGS

costs, \$1,050 restitution, 10 years probation, three to 10 years prison, 18 days credited, penitentiary suspended.

Daniel Sandoval Aleman, 52; sex offender failure to register or giving false information, \$350.50 costs, 10 years probation, three to 10 years prison, 108 days credited, penitentiary suspended.

### DRIVING UNDER THE INFLUENCE SENTENCINGS

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Kenneth Galen Rochford, 73; driving under the influence, \$550 fine, \$132.50 costs, 12 months probation, 180 days jail, 170 suspended, one credited, scam bracelet in lieu of jail.

Juan S. Medina-Cardenas, 23; driving under the influence, \$140 costs, driver's license suspended 180 days, 24 months probation, 180 days jail, 174 suspended, six credited; alcoholic beverage open container violation, dismissed by court.

**DUI DISMISSALS**

Levi Mark Hymas, 20; driving under the influence, dismissed on motion of prosecutor.

Benjamin G. Castro Jr., 30; driving under the influence, dismissed on motion of prosecutor.

### MINIDOKA COUNTY FELONY SENTENCINGS

Kenneth Alexander Kaiser Jr., 41; possession of controlled substance, \$500 fines, \$358.50 costs, \$414.13 restitution, three years probation, two to seven years prison, 33 days credited, retained jurisdiction; probation violation, retained jurisdiction; probation violation, guilty.

Kenneth Alexander Kaiser Jr., 41, possession of controlled substance, \$113.50 costs, 3 years probation, one to seven years prison, retained jurisdiction; probation violation, 628 days credited.

**DRIVING UNDER THE INFLUENCE SENTENCINGS**

Bobby Jay Simonds, 53; driving under the influence (excessive) amended to driving under the influence, \$750 fine suspended, driver's license suspended 180 days, 12 months probation, 30 days jail, 28 suspended, concurrent with another case; driving without privileges, dismissed by prosecutor; resisting or obstructing officers amended to providing false information to officers, guilty; contempt of court, five days jail, two suspended; probation violation, guilty.

Bobby Jay Simonds, 53; driving under the influence (excessive), \$600 fine suspended, driver's license suspended 365 days, two years probation, 90 days jail, 80 suspended, concurrent with DWP charges; driving without privileges, driver's license suspended 180 days, two years probation, 30 days jail, 28 suspended, concurrent with DUI charges; contempt of court, dismissed by prosecutor; probation violation, guilty.

Manuel Hernandez Flores, 31; driving under the influence, \$1,000 fine, \$78.50 costs, driver's license suspended 12 months, 24 months probation; failure to purchase/invalid driver's license, dismissed by prosecutor; contempt of court, 31 days jail in lieu of fines.

Mario Rene Lopez-Lara, 38; driving under the influence, \$200 fine, \$87.50 costs, driver's license suspended 150 days, 180 days jail, 150 suspended, 30 credited; disturbing the peace, dismissed by prosecutor; contempt of court, 180 days jail, 45 credited, to serve 135 days.

Kevin M. Melvin, 24; driving under the influence, \$300 fine, \$282.50 costs, driver's license suspended 180 days, 12 months probation, 30 days jail, 28 suspended, one credited, eight hours community service, one day jail; probation violation, guilty.

Tori Dawn Goodfellow, 24; driving under the influence, withheld disposition.

### FRIDAY ARRAIGNMENTS

Andrea M. Hopkins, 22, Buhl; driving without privileges, possession of paraphernalia, \$500 bond, public defender appointed, pleaded not guilty, pretrial Aug. 10.

Steven K. White, 53, Twin Falls; possession of controlled substance, \$20,000 bond, public defender appointed, preliminary July 9.

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Gayla E. Bates vs. Phil A.A. Bates

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leges suspended 120 days, 12 months probation, no alcohol.

Dale R. Hilgendorf, 35, Twin Falls; driving under the influence, excessive, 180 days jail, 90 suspended, 43 days credited, driving privileges suspended 365 days, 12 months probation; driving without privileges (second time), \$102.50 costs, \$75 public defender fee, 90 days jail, 30 suspended, 42 days credited, driving privileges suspended 365 days, 12 months probation; open container, \$500 fine suspended, 60 days jail, 12 suspended, 42 days credited, 12 months probation.

**CIVIL FILINGS**

Yevgeny and Tatyana Ocharenko vs. Evertt Koehn. Seeking judgment against the defendant for past and future medical expenses, for past and future lost wages, general damages, amount to be proven at trial, attorney's fees and costs. Plaintiffs seeking reimbursement for injuries sustained in a vehicle accident.

**CHILD SUPPORT CASES**

The State of Idaho, Department of Health and Welfare, Child Support Services has filed claims against the following:

Raymond R. Esparza. Seeking establishment for consolidation, child support and Medicaid reimbursement: \$234 monthly support plus 47 percent of medical expenses not covered by insurance, provide medical insurance, \$2,615.15 birth costs, 47 percent of any work-related day care expenses.

Fravon J. Jackson. Seeking establishment for child support: \$285 monthly support plus 52 percent of medical expenses not covered by insurance, provide medical insurance, 52 percent of any work-related day care expenses.

Jerry L. Wicklund. Seeking establishment for child support: \$640 monthly support plus 69 percent of medical expenses not covered by insurance, provide medical insurance, 69 percent of any work-related day care expenses.

Rosemary M. Pennell. Seeking establishment for state reimbursement: had ability to pay \$173 monthly support, \$1,591.60 foster care and child support reimbursement.

Fikret Somic. Seeking establishment for foster care: \$630 monthly support plus 51 percent of medical expenses not covered by insurance, provide medical insurance, \$505.80 foster care/child support reimbursement.

Kimberly J. Laughlin. Seeking establishment for foster care: had ability to pay \$151 monthly support, \$655.79 foster care reimbursement.

Alicia S. Blake. Seeking establishment for foster care: had ability to pay \$209 monthly support, \$411.26 foster care reimbursement.

**DRIVING UNDER THE INFLUENCE SENTENCINGS**

Kenneth Alexander Kaiser Jr., 41, discharged a firearm at occupied building, \$850.50 costs, \$4,925.34 restitution, three to 15 years prison, 359 days credited; unlawful possession of a firearm by convicted felon-persistent violator, \$600.50 costs, one day-4 years 364 days prison, 359 days credited; aggravated assault-firearm enhancement (two counts), dismissed on motion of prosecutor.

Reynaldo Norris Martinez, 26; kidnapping-second degree not for ransom, \$875.50 costs, five to 15 years prison, 127 days credited, retained jurisdiction; battery, 180 days jail, 126 credited; resisting or obstructing officers, dismissed on motion of prosecutor.

Joyce LaJean Osborne, 57; possession of controlled substance, \$165.50 costs, \$385 restitution, two to seven years prison, 14 days credited, retained jurisdiction, penitentiary suspended; deliver, possess or manufacture of drug paraphernalia, dismissed on motion of prosecutor; possession of drug paraphernalia with intent to use, dismissed on motion of prosecutor; possession of controlled substance with intent to deliver, dismissed on motion of prosecutor; possession of controlled substance, dismissed on motion of prosecutor.

Joyce LaJean Osborne, 57; delivery of controlled substance, \$165.50 costs, \$475 restitution, three years six months to 10 years prison, 10 days credited, retained jurisdiction, penitentiary suspended.

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From top left: Adriana Vazquez, 10, Yesenia Vazquez, 11, Armando Flores, 2, Mathew Flores, 3, and Maricela Flores, 4, eat lunch on the steps of Lincoln Elementary School on June 23 during the free summer lunch program offered by the Twin Falls School District. More Idahoans than ever need assistance in providing food for their families, as one in eight is enrolled in the federal food stamp program.



Dawn Rollins, 36, shares a cigarette with her friend, Kevin Doane, outside the Salvation Army in Twin Falls as they wait for the doors to open for lunch. Rollins, who grew up in a family that used food stamps, said she eats lunch daily at the nonprofit because it is convenient for her as a student. Social-service programs are helping her turn her life around after spending 22 years as a drug addict, she said.

# Food

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a large-animal veterinary technician. The humerus in her upper arm was shattered and the scar that runs down past her elbow maps the course of her surgeries and pain. Metal rods and screws are still embedded in her arm and she was instructed not to do tasks involving repetitive motions. She said that as the life she previously knew halted, bills stemming from her injury mounted, money dwindled and lost jobs weren't replaced.

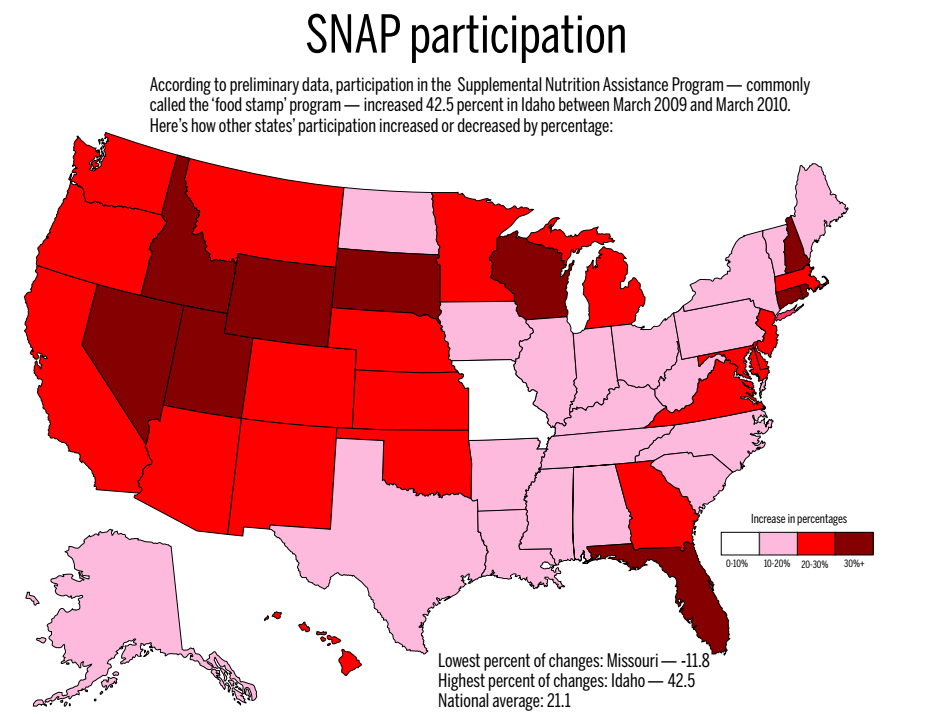
The Malmstroms and their two children live southwest of Twin Falls in the Windmill Heights subdivision, a grouping of spacious homes with well-manicured lawns and adjoining two-car garages. It's far from the archetypal community of the impoverished, yet the Malmstroms receive \$384 in monthly food-stamp benefits, down from \$670 the family received before a recertification process, Malmstrom said.

Every six months, Health and Welfare opens each case and evaluates if the participant is still eligible for food stamps. Adjustments are made accordingly. Shanahan said Health and Welfare normally reviews 5,000 recertification applications per month, though that number recently spiked to about 12,000 monthly.

"I am so worn down. Three hundred dollars can't feed a family of four. It's not enough to last us all month," Malmstrom said. "We eat noodles or go hungry the last 10 days and it's not for lack of trying to make the food last." She said her family's benefit decreased after her 19-year-old daughter took a job in hopes of saving money and eventually moving out.

"My husband isn't lazy — he works so hard — but if he goes and gets a job right now they will garnish all of his wages and take away the food stamps because we have some sort of income," Malmstrom said through tears. "We can't work because it will make us go hungry."

SNAP recipients must fall within 130 percent of the federal poverty line. An individual must earn less than \$1,175



Graphic by SANDY SALAS

monthly to be eligible. For a family of four, monthly income must be less than \$2,389.

Other eligibility factors include citizenship, residency and employment status, according to Health and Welfare.

Shanahan said Health and Welfare reviews about 8,500 new applications each month. In March, 3,996 participants were added to Idaho's SNAP register, a 2.1 percent increase from February.

The increased workload has hit Health and Welfare at the same time the department has shuttered nine offices, laid off 126 employees and pursued other cost-cutting measures in response to declining state revenue.

"We've been working at full capacity," Shanahan said. "The workload is pretty amazing."

As Idaho's citizens struggle to make ends meet they are turning not only to the federal government, but also to nonprofit organizations to fill the empty spots on their tables. South Central Community Action Partnership, a nonprofit dedicated to fighting and preventing poverty, served 28,000 people last year through its food-, housing- and poverty-assistance programs. The nonprofit has offices in Burley, Jerome and Twin Falls

expects to serve significantly more south-central Idaho residents this year.

Leanne Trappen, SCCAP community services director, said the agency encourages eligible people to enroll in the food stamp program so they can spend what money they have on other necessities. SCCAP offers counseling services for low-income residents seeking financial guidance.

"We go over their budget with them and say, 'Look, you have a couple of extra hundred dollars to spend on gas or rent instead of food! When they see that they are a little more willing to (enroll in SNAP)," she said. "People wait for hours and hours. They are lined up just waiting for someone to talk to and there is

more need than we can meet."

For the Malmstroms, applying for food stamps was a new experience — one accompanied by a certain amount of discomfort. For others, the system has been an integral part of life.

Rollins, a 36-year-old former meth addict, said she receives \$200 monthly from SNAP. Throughout her life, she and her parents have used the food stamp program intermittently. As an adult she has only been enrolled in the program for the past year.

She said she tries to buy healthy food options and is trying to quit smoking. Rollins just earned her high-school equivalency degree and hopes to complete prerequisite classes at the College of Southern Idaho to apply for its

can be generational — as it has been for Flores, Rollins and their parents — the move to the inconspicuous Quest Card has made it easier for recipients to move through grocery lines, and for many has removed some of the stigma attached to the food stamp program.

"I don't like people to know. It's embarrassing," Flores said. "But the card is simple. I remember my mom punching out the stamps when we were little."

While Flores can provide her family food for the entire month after shopping at the Twin Falls WinCo Foods, others aren't as fortunate.

"A lot of people are not making it until the end of the month," said Mindy Hathaway, social services director for the Twin Falls Salvation Army, which provides free daily lunch assistance and food boxes. "The new users don't know the routine and they come in bashful and embarrassed. I hear it over and over — 'I've never had to do this before.' We realize it is a really hard time right now so we tell them we understand. It is OK to ask for help."

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surgical technology program. Her plan is to one day get off of food stamp assistance.

"Food stamps are one of the greatest things," Rollins said. "I've worked long enough and paid taxes so I feel I should get assistance from the state when I need it, although I don't think people should live off of them forever."

Flores said she and her four children receive an \$800 monthly food stamp allotment — a dollar amount that equals Flores' monthly paycheck. She said she isn't always assigned a 40-hour workweek at Bridgeview Estates in Twin Falls, so the food assistance gives her the peace of mind that comes with knowing her children will have healthy food to eat.

"It would be really hard not to have them because my kids eat like crazy," Flores said of the assistance her family receives from SNAP and other programs, including the Twin Falls School District's free summer lunch program.

The 28-year-old and her children recently moved in with her mother so she could reduce rent costs until she can afford a house. The help she receives through the federal program frees up money for her vehicle payment and other expenses.

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# SAGEBRUSH SPIRIT



BLAIR KOCH/For the Times-News

Parade-goers at Buhl's Sagebrush Days parade audience were treated to special effects from the Buhl Bunch Car Club float, as a burst of candy and a shower of red-, white- and blue-colored confetti and balloons erupted into the street. Sagebrush Days concludes today with a 10 a.m. church service at Calvary Chapel in Buhl and a free 5 p.m. tractor pull at the Buhl Rodeo Grounds.

## Officials opt for gates to protect Idaho dam from terrorist threats

CALDWELL (AP) — The Bureau of Reclamation says it won't permanently close a road across a dam in southwestern Idaho but instead will put up portable gates if there is a terrorist threat.

The federal agency has been considering ways to protect Lower Deer Flat Dam from a potential attack using Riverside Road as a way to destroy the dam that backs up more than 150,000 acre-feet in Lake Lowell.

An acre-foot is enough to cover an acre with one foot of water, and officials say if the dam were breached the water would flood out 35,000 people living downstream.

But locals in the area protested a plan to close Riverside Road, often used as a shortcut.

In a letter late last month federal officials said the road will remain open with portable gates put up if a terrorist threat develops.



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## Artists design sheep wagon for use in the 21st century

By Ivan Moreno  
Associated Press writer

DENVER — Colorado artists want to give a futuristic makeover to the rustic sheep wagons used by immigrant workers across the West.

Immigrants from Peru, Chile, Mexico and Nepal who come to the U.S. sometimes live in worn-out one-room trailers in desolate landscapes, including in Wyoming, California, and Utah. The working conditions caught the attention of Colorado lawmakers this year, but no legislation materialized.

Immigrant advocates argue that the workers' living conditions and salaries are deplorable, while sheep ranchers maintain that their workers were treated and paid fairly.

Artists with the Yuma-based nonprofit M12 say the least they can do is spruce up the portable homes in a creative way.

They created three proposals to revamp the sheep wagon — known to the workers as "campitos" — and will show the designs on the walls of a trailer turned into a gallery, along with an old sheep wagon for comparison.

"There's been a lot of attacks on ranchers. Our perspective is not that. Our perspective is a creative one that's looking at the structure," said Richard Saxton, one of the members of M12.

The exhibition is part of Denver's monthlong "Biennial of the Americas," a festival that began Thursday and highlights the arts and culture of the Western Hemisphere. Artists from 35 Latin American countries



M12/AP photo

This image shows a portable trailer designed by M12, a nonprofit collective of artists and designers. The group is urging ranchers to spruce up their sheep wagons for immigrant workers by including solar panels, showers and portable gardens.

and world leaders are coming to the event.

"These things look like covered wagons because they were designed in the 19th century at a time when that made sense," Saxton said. "Our question was, what would a campito look like for the 21st century?"

What M12 came up with were tricked-out wagons that look like they came out of "The Jetsons." One design looks like a roly poly, folding into a ball to be towed by a truck and unfolding into a tent-shaped wagon when it's parked. In another design, the wagon looks like a space capsule with wheels similar to those of a Mars rover. The third design is made up of three modules for a garden, bed, and kitchen — features that all the designs have, along with a global communications system to make phone calls.

They're up to 14 feet wide — much larger than the current campitos.

The designs address some of the concerns raised by immigrant advocates, mainly that the workers don't have showers, electricity, or a way to communicate with their

wagons would cost if they were built, but Saxton argues that they could be manufactured for about \$16,000. He admits the ultimate problem, however, is that sheep ranchers just don't have the money to buy new campitos.

The American Sheep Industry Association has said that about two-thirds of U.S. ranchers have quit in the last 15 years, in part because of competition overseas and the competition to wool from synthetic fiber.

bosses or relatives back home while they work their three-year contracts in the U.S. The length of the workers' contracts also influenced the designs.

"Somebody herding sheep for three years, sort of in isolation, it's not so different than sending somebody off to the moon to live. That's why a lot of these (designs) — this is very sort of very NASA," Saxton said. "We like those sort of parallels. What happens if you merge sort of the NASA aesthetic with a farm aesthetic?"

It's unclear how much the



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**WHEN:** July 7, 4 to 7 p.m.

**WHERE:** City of Declo City Hall Council Chambers

**FORMAT:** Open house format. Anyone interested in the source proposal is encouraged to attend anytime between 4 and 7 p.m. Displays illustrating the site, property, and other information will be available for review. ITD staff will be on hand to explain the proposed site and its use, answer questions, and to gather comments.

**PROJECT HIGHLIGHTS:** The preliminary survey test results indicate that the material meets the specifications for construction and preservation of ITD-maintained roadways. Additional testing is required to fully establish the viability of the site. The site is currently controlled by the BLM and will be transferred under Title 23 of the Federal Highway Act.

**MORE INFORMATION:** Phillip White, ITD Source Manager at (208) 886-7841

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## State and local gov't workers' job security fades

By Christopher Leonard and Christopher S. Rugaber  
Associated Press writers

For years, most people who worked for state or local governments accepted a fact of life: Their pay wasn't great. The job security was. Now that's gone, too.

States and municipalities are facing gaping budget gaps. Many have responded by slashing services, raising taxes and, for the first time in decades, making deep job cuts.

And public employees should brace themselves: Some economists say the job cuts could worsen in the

second half of the year.

Those government layoffs make it harder to reduce the national unemployment rate, now 9.5 percent. The rate did fall slightly in June because more than a half-million out-of-work Americans gave up their job searches. Once people stop seeking work, they're no longer counted as unemployed.

The economy is already under pressure from weak consumer spending, sinking stock prices, a European debt crisis and a teetering real estate market.

"It's certainly a drag on economic growth in our

outlook," Mark Vitner, an economist at Wells Fargo, said of the loss of public-sector jobs.

It's also a burden for residents. As state and municipal employees are cut, so are services. It takes longer to register a car, see a school nurse or travel to work by bus.

In California, state-run Department of Motor Vehicle offices have been closed on selected furlough Fridays to cut costs.

In New York City, a new budget will close up to 30 senior centers, shutter a 24-hour homeless center in Manhattan and eliminate

nurses at schools with fewer than 300 students.

In Atlanta, the metro transit agency shut 40 bus lines and closed restrooms in June. Even so, 300 employees might lose their jobs to close a \$69 million budget gap.

Julie Bussgang used to have assistants to help her keep order in her kindergarten classroom in Albany, Calif. Last year, those assistants were cut. Bussgang was left on her own.

"I've had kids calling for help from the bathroom, and I was alone with 24 kids," she

See **JOBS**, Business 3



AP photo  
Daryl Seaman stands Wednesday outside the Madison County juvenile detention where he works in Edwardsville, Ill. For every worker who's been laid off, many others worry that they're next.

## Dirt cheap houses

## Finding gold in them thar foreclosures

By Adam Geller  
Associated Press writer

GILBERT, Ariz. — If we're going to search for gold in the wreckage of the mortgage crisis, then 6:57 a.m. in front of 1009 W. Juanita Ave. is as good a time and place as any to start.

The Cooper Ranch subdivision, 25 minutes from downtown Phoenix, is just beginning to stir. But when Casey Doran pulls up to his first foreclosure of the day, the tan stucco house has already seen a steady trickle of visitors.

"Still occupied," he says, nodding to a green tag hanging from the meter by the garage, proof someone's paying the electric bill. He leans on the bell, then tries the door. The house resists his advances, leaving Doran squinting into the darkness behind the blinds.

Three hours from now, the intelligence gathered in these 10 minutes of reconnaissance will be put to the test. That's when 1009 W. Juanita and nearly 600 homes like it are scheduled for the auction block.

Maybe, with bidding set to open at \$105,000, this house is a bargain.

Or maybe it's a mistake, waiting to drag an investor under.

Either way, there's little time to ponder this 1,631-square-foot gamble. But there will certainly be other chances.

After all, 50,000 homes clog the county's foreclosure pipeline, with more added every day. But before you jump to buy, know that you'll have plenty of company.

At the top of the boom, speculators swarmed cities like Phoenix, buying up houses largely with borrowed cash. Those who didn't sell in time were stung when the market collapsed. Now investors — many buying with their own cash — are back. Since last year, the share of homes bought by investors at daily auctions has multiplied more than fivefold.

"These are unique times. Very, very unique times," says Tom Ruff of The Information Market, which analyzes Valley real estate data. "I think the best way to describe it is the Wild West."

The scene unsettles some, wary that investors could dump homes if the market weakens or take advantage of buyers or renters. Others are troubled at banks' will-



AP photos  
Casey Doran, examines an auction notice at a home that was scheduled to go to auction later in the day in Tempe, Ariz. At the top of the housing boom, certain cities drew investors like magnets. In Phoenix, speculators bought up houses, largely with borrowed cash, trying to take advantage of fast-rising prices. Those who didn't sell in time were stung when the market collapsed.



A crowd gathers at the Maricopa County Courthouse in Phoenix during a home auction on May 5.

ingness to settle at auction rather than give more substantial concessions to struggling homeowners. But something's got to be done with all these overmortgaged, underappreciated houses.

"The investors are a tool to help get those properties moved into new hands," says Diane Drain, a Phoenix bankruptcy attorney and real estate trustee. "At this point, the dam is so broken. How do you

stop the flow? I don't know how you do it other than one little stick at a time."

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During the boom, Steve Vadas sold title insurance on thousands of homes. Now, with business dried up, he's back at the job that gave him his start — in the shadow of the Maricopa County Courthouse, auctioning foreclosures.



Doran walks past an empty pool as he examines a home that is in foreclosure on May 4.

In the old days, Vadas stood on the steps reading lists of homes aloud and alone, eyed like a crazy

See **HOMES**, Business 2

## Pick your poison to remedy the economy

WASHINGTON — The liberal Democratic narrative on fiscal policy this past week runs something like this:

Because of steep declines in tax revenue caused by the recession, state and local governments are facing severe budget shortfalls — \$90 billion in the case of states alone. Unless the federal government steps in to borrow more money to fill the hole, vital services will be cut, 1 million additional jobs will be lost, and the economy will be dragged back into recession.



Steven Pearlstein

You can quibble with the numbers and some of the logic, but as a general proposition, this narrative is largely correct. And the people who are pushing it believe it justifies having the federal government add to its already burgeoning debt and sending another round of emergency aid to the states.

There is, however, a different narrative to describe the current situation that is equally defensible but leads to a very different policy prescription:

Since the last recession a decade ago, spending by state and local governments has grown faster than the economy. The percentage of the workforce employed by state and local governments rose steadily over that period, from 13.6 percent to more than 15 percent today. And during most of that same period, the compensation of government workers rose faster than that of private sector employees, particularly as a result of generous (some would say lavish) health insurance and pension benefits negotiated by their unions.

All of that seemed reasonable when skyrocketing property values, corporate profits and investment gains were swelling government coffers — so much so that many states wound up cutting taxes.

But now that the credit bubble has burst and tax revenue has plummeted, many states have significant structural deficits that will not disappear even when the economy returns to normal levels of growth and employment. Providing additional federal assistance to those states will only serve to postpone the tax increases and spending cuts that will inevitably be needed to bring budgets back into balance.

You see the box we've gotten ourselves into. To fix the economy in the long run, we have to weaken it in the short run — yet weakening it in the short run makes it just that much harder to fix it in the long run.

See **PEARLSTEIN**, Business 3

# YOUR BUSINESS

## MILESTONES

### ST. LUKE'S PATIENT FINANCIAL SERVICES OFFICE



Courtesy photo

St. Luke's Patient Financial Services Office at 212 Third Ave. S., Twin Falls, cut the red ribbon at the new facility in Historic Downtown Twin Falls with the Twin Falls Chamber Ambassadors. The 'one-stop shop' puts patient services related to their St. Luke's physician and St. Luke's hospital billing and payment needs in one convenient location. They can be reached at 732-3000 or toll free 866-581-7096. Pictured from left: Karla Carter, John Groesbeck, Dr. Ben Katz, Paul Louton, Jody Tremblay, Mike Reno, Debbie Kytie, Marty Mangum, and other St. Luke's employees and community members.

## CAREER MOVES

### Alicia Flores

Alicia Flores of Jensen Jewelers recently completed DCA's Colored Gemstone Course, and having passed a comprehensive final, was awarded the professional designation of Colored Gemstone Certified by the Diamond Council of America.

The course was an in-depth study of colored gemstones, their history, gemology and lore. It focused both on selling and product knowledge.

Alicia is a merchandise specialist for Jensen Jewelers and is employed at Jensen's corporate office in Twin Falls.

### Intermountain Heating & A/C

Intermountain Heating & A/C of Twin Falls has been awarded a contract for the State of Idaho Office of Energy Resources to do tune-ups on heat pumps, air conditioners, gas furnaces and boilers on 50 school buildings throughout Magic Valley. Contractors were chosen based on certain criteria: income cost per HVAC system to be tuned-up, the company's ability to meet or exceed minimum qualifications, overall knowledge and experience, and overall completeness of resume and request for qualifications.

### McClure Engineering

On May 20, Scott F. McClure, P.E., David Bastow and Thomas Lacey, E.I.T. of McClure Engineering, Inc. in Twin Falls participated in the Industrial Refrigeration Best Practices training hosted by the North West Energy Efficiency Alliance. This training course covered basic refrigeration concepts, explored opportunities available in industrial refrigeration systems to increase electrical energy efficiency and highlighted other benefits of energy-efficient practices. McClure Engineering looks forward to implementing these tools in their focused work in energy conservation.



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## Obama awards \$2 billion for solar power, new jobs

WASHINGTON (AP) — The government is handing out nearly \$2 billion for new solar plants that President Obama says will create thousands of jobs and increase the use of renewable energy sources.

Obama announced the initiative in his weekly radio and online address Saturday, saying the money is part of his plan to bring new industries to the U.S.

"We're going to keep competing aggressively to make sure the jobs and industries of the future are taking root right here in America," Obama said.

The two companies that will receive the money from the president's \$862 billion economic stimulus are Abengoa Solar, which will build one of the world's largest solar plants in Arizona, creating 1,600 construction jobs; and Abound Solar Manufacturing, which

is building plants in Colorado and Indiana. The Obama administration says those projects will create more than 2,000 construction jobs and 1,500 permanent jobs.

Obama's announcement came a day after the Labor Department reported that employers slashed payrolls last month for the first time in six months, driven by the expected end of 225,000 temporary census jobs. Meanwhile, private-sector hiring rose by 83,000 workers.

The unemployment rate dropped to 9.5 percent.

Obama said that while it may take years to bring back all the jobs lost during the recession, the economy is moving in a positive direction. He placed some of the blame for the slow pace of recovery on Republicans, saying GOP lawmakers, "are playing the same old Washington games ..."

# Homes

Continued from Business 1

man by the occasional passer-by.

"Nobody would bid," he says. "I literally was reading them to the air."

No more. On a May afternoon, a crowd of 60 churns the plaza outside the courthouse doors. Bidders in board shorts and wraparound shades scan pages-long printouts and talk furtively into headsets to unseen investors. Five auctioneers compete for their attention.

Even in good times, some homeowners failed to pay their mortgages. But in a steady economy, auctions were largely formalities. With few bidders, most foreclosures were claimed by the bank holding the loan.

Then, home prices here plunged by half. Debt-saddled homeowners started abandoning houses in the dark. Lenders who never intended to get into real estate ended up holding the keys.

In the last year, they've done what any merchant would do to avoid taking delivery of unwanted inventory: Slash prices. No guarantees. No refunds.

"It's capitalism at its finest — or at its worst," Vadas says.

Stories circulate of buyers who realized too late they'd bought a second loan, when the first loan holder gets the house. Or of investors who bought only to find the tenant had taken cabinets, toilets, even the pipes.

"You can tell all the newbies," says Randy Lewis of bidding service 3rd Party Buyer LLC, scanning the crowd. "They're all up at the front, but not bidding."

But plenty have jumped in, posting the required \$10,000 cashier's check and trying to leverage insider knowledge and a tolerance for risk. The result is what Lewis calls "chaos by statute," that begins as soon as opening bids are posted for the following morning's sales.

"You've heard of storm chasers?" he says. "We're deal chasers."

On the third house of Doran's morning: 1508 E. Weathervane Lane. Opening bid: \$130,100.

A competitor exits the gate just as Doran, who scouts homes for bidding service Posted Properties.com, pulls up. "It's vacant," he says. "You can go inside."

Just past the pool — veined with cracks from standing empty under the desert sun (note to investor: could cost \$5,000 to repair) — the sliding door yields easily. The place is empty of life except for a moldy loaf of raisin bread in the refrigerator.

Doran takes a few notes about this house, bought in December 2006 for \$300,000. On the way out, he runs into a woman from next door. She tells him the former residents have been "stealing" fixtures out of the house for the past month.

"Hopefully soon we'll have a new neighbor," she says.

By mid-2008, Trish Don Francesco was ready to try the Phoenix housing market again.

Her company, Metropolitan Marketing & Management, had spent the boom assembling portfolios of houses for wealthy investors. In 2004, she urged clients to sell, believing prices had peaked. Instead, most held tight as values crested, then plunged.

But seeing homes for less than \$100,000, she was intrigued. On a Saturday that August, Don Francesco drove to the Camelback Inn for an auction of houses.

"It was like being in a candy store," says daughter Makayla Don Francesco, also a broker. Houses were going for as little as \$55,000. In a few hours, Metropolitan snapped up 17.

"I said to myself either the world is coming to an



AP photos  
Scott Gould, a 'hard money' lender, looks at a binder full of homes on the market at his office May 5 in Phoenix.



Jonathan Arebalo, left, of LPS Agency Sales and Posting, gets paperwork signed by an investor after a home sale, as Arebalo conducts a home auction of foreclosed homes in front of Maricopa County Courthouse in Phoenix.

"There's a lot of risk and you are playing with somebody else's money. Some days it is terrifying."

— Don Francesco

Don Francesco says. "Some days it is terrifying."

But then she reminds herself that the deals may last for only so long.

end or we're going to be really, really rich. I don't know which," Trish Don Francesco recalls.

She's bought 350 homes since, spending a few thousand dollars to fix and rent them, often to families who surrendered a previous home to foreclosure. Over the next year, she plans to increase that stake to 1,500 houses, buying on behalf of investors seeking a steady return from rents.

But investors are not the only players in this game, which trades in information as much as cash.

It begins each weekday afternoon, when trustees post opening bids for as many as 1,000 houses and property runners like Doran zigzag across the Valley inspecting the merchandise. They report back to companies like Posted Properties, which charge a fee to buy at auction.

Others work for wholesalers, who buy and flip to investors, often within hours, for a quick profit. Still other homes are bought by fix-and-flippers, who renovate and resell for a short-term gain.

When a family buys a house, it's all about emotion. But courthouse bidders trade bets with seeming disinterest. When the price goes too high, they walk away.

Unspoken, though, is the X factor drawing investors: the edginess of the gamble and the pursuit of a deal.

Doug Hopkins, Posted Properties' CEO, recalls the morning he tagged along with a friend for his first trustee's sale 11 years ago.

"I remember coming out of there and calling my dad and I said, 'My life just changed!'"

Doran isn't sure what to make of today's fifth house: 6233 S. Parkside Drive. Opening bid: \$67,000.

Fresh oil stains the carpet floor. A package sits unclaimed on the step.

It's an open secret in Phoenix foreclosure investing that, facing a door that won't budge, some runners drill the lock. Doran's real estate license lets him key in to some houses. But at Parkside, the back door slides open. He steps into the kitchen.

"I'm always afraid I'm going to find a dead body in one of these," Doran says, reaching for the refrigerator handle.

Not yet. But he has found cats and a puppy floating in abandoned pools. At an empty house in Chandler,

he found an Alaskan husky, very much alive, left behind with a bag of dog food.

At this stop, though, the biggest complication is the house's size — just two bedrooms and one bath, limiting its appeal.

"Somebody will buy it ... for a rental," he says.

During the boom, borrowing was quick and easy. But buying at auction demands payment by the next day. Forget about a bank loan.

That's where Scott Gould comes in.

At 8:40 a.m. on a Wednesday, Gould tilts back in a black office chair, waiting for two phones and a Blackberry to ring so he can put his money to work. In shorts and running shoes, he looks more like the gymnast he once was than a banker. On the wall hangs a gift from his wife — a "loan shark" assembled from Monopoly money.

Gould is a "hard money" lender, by some accounts the valley's busiest. Last year he loaned investors cash to buy 1,300 homes at 18 percent annual interest. Call Gould for a loan and the answer comes back in 20 minutes, once his staff reviews sales of comparable homes.

"The most important thing at the end is, do we think the guy can make money," he says.

The phone rings. A fix-and-flip investor asks Gould for his opinion about a house in Mesa.

"The inside, from what we could see, looked good. It smelled good," the man says.

Gould, skeptical, counsels bidding \$1 over the asking price and no more.

The phone rings again. "Good morning, Brad. I got a check sitting here hot for you," Gould says.

This morning, though, is slow, with just three new loans. But a few miles away, a new round of sales keeps Makayla Don Francesco's ear to the phone.

When bidding begins, Metropolitan staffers lose out on two targeted houses and in the chaos, miss two more. But at a 10 a.m. sale, Don Francesco grabs a house for \$72,300, before discovering it has two bedrooms and a den, limiting its rental appeal. Then she snags another in Buckeye for \$66,000, although unsure if it has three or four bedrooms.

"There's a lot of risk and you are playing with somebody else's money,"

It's almost noon and this is Doran's 10th and final stop: 2701 Val Vista Drive. Opening bid: \$387,600.

"Holy moly," he says, pulling in. The house is very big. So are the mounds of trash in the overgrown yard. He knocks on the back door, then the front. Not a sound. But the place is unlocked. Doran rolls his eyes and steps inside.

"Somebody's still living here," he says, walking past dishes in the sink. "This is odd as hell."

At the living room, he tilts his head. Music floats up from downstairs — and men's voices. Doran takes one last picture, then moves quickly toward the door.

"Not worth getting shot over, I can tell you that," he says.

By Thursday, workmen have ripped out the ceiling in the house on Weathervane Lane. Doran checked out two mornings ago. And in a kitchen in Scottsdale, Neil Lende, a real estate agent who invests in houses given up for lost, is deciding where to begin.

The house, bought Tuesday and paid for Wednesday with a hard money loan, has a "popcorn" ceiling that will have to go. The pool is so green with algae it might as well be bottomless. In a valley full of foreclosures, what makes this a singular opportunity?

It's clear only when Lende opens another door in the Paradise Manor subdivision, 10 minutes away.

"When we first came to this one, this stuff was growing all the way out to here," project manager Charlie Sugarman says, pointing to shrubs that blocked the door. Inside, Lende found the kitchen plastered with coffee grounds.

Now, it's repainted in silver sage. The cabinets, refinished in cream, snuggle against stainless steel appliances.

Lende paid \$194,651 for the house, then spent \$35,000 to renovate. Tomorrow it goes to closing, sold to New Jersey retirees. For two months work — and risk — he'll pocket a \$40,000 profit.

But while the new owners know they're buying a foreclosure, they almost certainly don't realize the pipeline it has traveled.

"I don't think they can envision it how it used to be, which is good," Lende says. "Because this is the reality now."

# Red light for drive-throughs

Government cracks down in city that started them 60 years ago

By John Rogers  
Associated Press writer

BALDWIN PARK, Calif. — The birthplace of California's drive-through craze has had its fill of fast food restaurants.

Amid complaints of obesity and lines of idled cars stretching into neighborhood streets, this blue-collar town is banning new drive-throughs in hopes of shedding its reputation as a haven for convenient, fatty foods.

It's an ironic development for a community that proudly claims to have opened California's first drive-through restaurant more than 60 years ago — a little joint named, appropriately enough, In-N-Out.

"We here in Baldwin Park have taken strides to create a healthy community, and allowing one more drive-through in is not going to meet that goal," said Baldwin Park city planner Salvador Lopez, who helped craft the ordinance that takes effect this weekend.

Lopez estimates the town's drive-throughs and liquor stores outnumber sit-down restaurants and grocery stores six to one.

And with 90,000 people crammed into 6.5 square miles, this suburb east of Los Angeles is concerned that its 17 drive-throughs are causing traffic jams stretching outside its parking lots.

Still, this being the semi-official birthplace of the drive-through fast-food movement, not everyone is happy with the ordinance.

"They ought to put in more drive-throughs, not stop them," said Isaac Colin



AP photo

A customer reaches for his order from the drive-through at In-N-Out Burger in the Hollywood area of Los Angeles on June 11. Amid complaints of obesity and lines of idled cars stretching into neighborhood streets, this blue-collar town is banning new drive-throughs in hopes of shedding its reputation as a haven for convenient, fatty foods.

immediately after ordering burgers and fries for himself and his wife, Christine, at the Baldwin Park In-N-Out. "It's a waste of time getting out of your car, finding a parking spot, going in, ordering your food."

Maybe cities in other states should cut back on drive-throughs, he said, conceding they might cause traffic problems.

"But not here. This is California," he said.

The restaurant he stopped at is a shrine of sorts to drive-through aficionados, located literally a stone's throw from where the original In-N-Out, the one believed to be California's first such eating emporium, was erected in 1948.

"I used to eat at that one, it was right over there," said another customer, Trinidad Zuniga, as he pointed to Interstate 10, the mammoth freeway that runs from the California coastline to Jacksonville, Fla.

That modest first stand, which had no tables or

chairs, was torn down some years ago to make way for the freeway.

And although there is no authoritative record-keeping outfit to say it really was California's first drive-through chow palace, In-N-Out says it was and that's good enough for pretty much everyone here.

"Definitely it was the original," said Mayor Manuel Lozano. "It's one of our icons."

Nevertheless, Lopez said, the city needed to cap the drive-through craze that In-N-Out started so many years ago.

The City Council, following the lead of several Canadian municipalities that in recent years have restricted drive-throughs, voted unanimously last month to put a nine-month moratorium on opening any more drive-through restaurants.

That same week, officials opened an outdoor fitness center they say will be dedicated to fighting childhood obesity.

The changes are being welcomed by some residents.

"To be honest, yeah, we have too many drive-throughs," said Fabian Olguin. He works at the barbershop across the street from the In-N-Out and says he's seen traffic back up from its drive-through onto neighboring residential streets.

"Sometimes I can't even get out on the street," he said, adding when that happens he'll walk over to get his fast-food fix from the restaurant's sit-down section.

The ordinance will take effect on a busy holiday weekend when people begin pulling into their local drive-throughs in huge numbers, loading up on things like burgers and fries to take to the beach, said Daniel Conway, a spokesman for the California Restaurant Association.

At this point Conway says his industry group isn't worried it will start a statewide trend.

## Pearlstein

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Any way you look at it, the economics are terrible, and the politics are even worse.

In terms of state and local governments, the reality is that they are spending significantly more than they can afford at current levels of taxation.

One way to close that gap would be to cut state and local government payrolls by about 1 million workers from the current level of 20 million, bringing the share of the total workforce back to where it was in 2005. Despite the headlines, the cuts up to now have numbered only 200,000, according to the Bureau of Labor Statistics.

Another approach would be to reduce the pay and benefits of the existing workforce by 5 percent or more. A number of states have already instituted wage freezes and mandatory fur-

loughs, or negotiated cuts in those generous pension and health benefits, but the resistance from workers has been fierce, and the short-term savings are relatively small.

A third approach would be to raise taxes, which many states and localities have done but only selectively and modestly.

But no matter which policies are chosen, the short-term macroeconomic consequences are pretty much the same: fewer jobs and lower overall after-tax incomes. The only real question is how this pain is distributed, which in the end is what these fights are all about.

So what does all this suggest about another round of federal assistance to the states?

To me, it suggests that the policy goal should be focused less on short-term stimulus than on closing the

states' structural budget deficits. States that take credible steps to close the gap over the next few years ought to be rewarded with federal money to help laid-off government workers or maintain vital services until the economy rebounds. States that don't should be allowed to fend for themselves. Think of it as the public finance version of the "stress test" used to stabilize the banking sector, or the education department's successful "race to the top."

It is fashionable these days in liberal circles to belittle "Hooverite" voters and politicians for worrying more about deficit spending than unemployment, but the analogy to the 1930s is imperfect. It ignores the

fact that the United States entered this crisis not as the world's biggest creditor, but as its biggest debtor. It ignores the extensive social safety net put in place since the Depression. Most of all it ignores the unprecedented steps the government has taken to quickly respond to the financial crisis and the economic downturn.

Voters aren't stupid — they understand they are being asked to make a false choice between too much debt and too much unemployment. And what they want is some assurance that their money isn't used to re-inflate the old bubbles or return to the free-spending past, but invested in a more secure and sustainable future.

## Jobs

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says. "We got through far less of the curriculum than we did in the previous year. Everything took longer."

State and local governments cut 95,000 jobs in the first half of the year even as the economy slowly recovered. Private employers, by contrast, added 593,000 jobs in that time. It's the first time the public sector has cut jobs while the private sector has added jobs since 1981, said Marisa Di Natale, a director at Moody's Economy.com.

In the second half of the year, 152,000 more local and state government employees will be laid off, estimates Nigel Gault, an economist at IHS Global Insight.

Counting companies that work with state governments, a total of 900,000 jobs could be lost to states' budget shortfalls, according to the Center on Budget and Policy Priorities, a think tank in Washington.

From teachers and probation officers to recreation workers and transportation specialists, public employees who never imagined their jobs could be in jeopardy are discovering they are.

They are people like 24-year-old Brianna Clegg, who had never hesitated to take on school loans in pursuit of her teaching certificate.

"I was always hearing, 'There's a huge need for teachers,'" she said.

Yet as California's budget crisis mounted last year, thousands of teaching jobs were slashed. One was Clegg's job teaching fourth grade in Stockton, Calif.

When she sought another position, she made a grim discovery: In a state in which roughly 26,000 teachers have been laid off, openings existed for 39 teachers. Clegg wasn't among the fortunate few.

Across the country, the trouble stems from shrinking state income and sales tax revenue, a consequence of the recession. Total state revenue dropped 11 percent from fiscal year 2008, when the recession began, to fiscal 2010, according to the National Association of State Budget Officers.

Compounding the problem, Democrats in Congress have failed to come up with the votes to spend about \$50 billion to help states pay for Medicaid programs and avoid teacher layoffs. Governors made a plea for the money to help them avoid layoffs. Kansas Gov. Mark Parkinson said his state might have to lay off 3,600 teachers.

Senate Republicans have argued that the nation can't afford further spending in light of record-high budget deficits.

"We do expect more layoffs to come. State and local governments are having to make the cuts they didn't have to make a year ago."

— Mark Vitner, an economist at Wells Fargo

Until recently, state governments had been able to paper over some of their funding shortfalls with money from last year's \$787 billion federal stimulus package. Now that's drying up. As a new fiscal year begins this month in most states, they're struggling to balance their budgets, as required by every state but Vermont.

So they're cutting services and laying off employees.

"We do expect more layoffs to come," Vitner said. "State and local governments are having to make the cuts they didn't have to make a year ago."

Hardest hit have been states — like California, Arizona and Nevada — whose housing markets had overheated and then deflated, said Brian Sigritz of the National Association of State Budget Officers. But budget crises have spread nearly everywhere. About 46 states face total budget gaps of at least \$112 billion this year, the Center on Budget and Policy Priorities says.

At least 26 states have cut jobs this year to try to close budget deficits. Five others have imposed temporary layoffs. Their tight budgets have led many states to shift more spending burdens to localities, adding to budget problems in many cities.

For every worker who's been laid off, many others worry that they're next. The sense of long-term security that once attached itself to a state or local government job is gone.

One of them is Daryl Seaman, who was so confident in his job security just a year ago that he built a new home for his family. As a probation officer for Madison County, Ill., he didn't think his job would ever be in jeopardy.

Twelve months later, Seaman has been demoted because of county budget cuts. He finds himself obsessing with co-workers over the next round of layoffs that could claim their jobs.

"Everybody is panicking," Seaman says.

Seaman's wife teaches in a district that has laid off some teachers with less seniority. With two teenage daughters to support, they're saving everything they can.

"We're just afraid to spend any money," Seaman says.

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## Michael Roy Ash Sr.

A MERICAN FALLS — Michael Roy Ash Sr., age 59, passed away Thursday morning, July 1, 2010, at Portneuf Medical Center, surrounded by his most prized possessions, his family. His death came as a result of breast cancer.

Mike was born Feb. 21, 1951, in Twin Falls, Idaho, to Royal Floyd and Renee Stevenson Ash. His work ethic was put into place at an early age caring for his younger brothers and sister, which continued until his body would no longer allow him the privilege of work. He was a gifted mechanic by trade and his talents were sought by many. More often than not, his fee was "I'll catch you next time."

Mike was large in stature which was necessary to house his even larger heart. He was an advocate for the young, showed compassion to the elderly, and had great appreciation and respect for women.

Through severe female persuasion he became an avid Utah Jazz fan. Another much loved hobby was reading and babysitting his grandchildren and Granny Fae.

Mike's appreciation for life was so strong that Wednesday night when it became apparent he was going to lose his battle, sev-



eral doctors and staff who had become his friends, came to express the great strengths he had displayed throughout his medical trials.

Mike was the father of four children, Sheila Thompson, Michelle (Lupe) Lara, Lisa (Shawn) Beltz and Michael (Brianne) Ash Jr. Along the way, he inherited four more children, Marc (Amanda) Nelson, Holly Nelson, Brian (Peggy) Braegger and Heather (Travis) Hawkes. He was Papa to 17 grandchildren. His custom-made chocolate chip pancakes will never be quite the same.

Mike was an elder in The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

He is survived by brothers, Steve and Phil Ash; and his sister, Barb Harrington; his wife, Helen Rae; his mother-in-law, Fae Moss; seven children and 17 grandchildren. Mike was preceded in death by his parents and his daughter, Lisa.

The funeral will be noon Tuesday, July 6, at Rockland LDS Ward in Rockland, Idaho. A viewing will be from 10:45 to 11:45 a.m. prior to the service at the church and from 6 to 8 p.m. Monday, July 5, at Davis-Rose Mortuary in American Falls, Idaho. Burial will be at Valley View Cemetery in Rockland.

## Anita Lynn Rodgers

MERIDIAN — Anita Lynn Rodgers, 38, of Meridian, Idaho, passed away Friday, July 2, 2010, after a courageous 2 1/2 year battle with cancer.



Anita was born Feb. 1, 1972, in Sioux City, Iowa, to Pete and Mary Block. The oldest of eight children, Anita inspired and encouraged her sisters and brother. She attended school at St. Michael's Catholic Grade School and Bishop Heelan High School.

Anita left home to attend Northern Iowa University in Cedar Falls, Iowa, where she earned her bachelor's degree in business administration. After college, she worked at the Sioux City Convention Center, where she met her husband, Mike Rodgers.

Mike and Anita were married June 9, 2001, in Las Vegas, Nev. In the spring of 2003, they moved to Idaho where they settled in Meridian. Anita worked for Boise State University, and then she joined her husband selling real estate.

In November 2004, they welcomed their beautiful son, Dylan, to their family. Dylan was the light in Anita's life, and she and Mike enjoyed traveling and sharing the

world with their son. They loved spending time on the Oregon Coast.

Anita loved her son, husband, family and friends. She will be missed by all, including her husband, Mike; her son, Dylan; parents, Pete and Mary Block; siblings, Chris (Todd) Vandorn, Sheila (Larry) Rohatsch, Lisa (Matthew) Cave, Jennifer (Scott) Buttler, Kim Block, Ryan Block and Karla Block (Dan Chapman); in-laws, Mark and Debbie Grigg, Krys Grigg, Roman (Julie) Grigg, Justin Grigg, Roger (Pranom) Grigg; father-in-law, Mike Rodgers; and her much loved nieces and nephews, extended family, and friends. Anita was preceded in death by her grandparents, Henry and Johanna Block and Milton Galles.

The service will be held at 1 p.m. Tuesday, July 6, at Ten Mile Christian Church. Join the family for a viewing from 4 to 9 p.m. Monday, with a prayer service being held at 7 p.m. at Summers Funeral Homes, Ustick Chapel.

Her bright light and positive spirit shone on all whose life she touched. We will miss her, but we look forward to having her shine on us from heaven.

## Richard (Dick) Adams

Richard (Dick) Adams, 83, of Twin Falls, Idaho, passed away peacefully early Saturday morning, June 26, 2010, at Alpine Manor in Kimberly, Idaho.



Dick was born April 11, 1927, in Tinnie, N.M., the son of Charles and Arma Adams. Dick served in the Army and Merchant Marines in his 20s; specializing in paratrooping and rifle marksmanship. He was a well known truck driver for over 50 years in the Twin Falls area; retiring just four years ago. When he was not truck driving, his favorite pastime was sitting on a riverbank fishing.

Surviving Richard is a son, Terry Adams of Twin Falls; his daughters, Dianna (Thomas) Freideman of Alpena, S.D., and Cathy Adams of Twin Falls; granddaughters, Kelly Adams of Rockaway Bay, Ore., Tammy Willard of Spokane, Wash., and Gloria Kohn of Deerpark, Wash., as well as several great-grandchildren, nieces and nephews. He was

preceded in death by his parents, Charles Adams and Arma Bond; two sisters, Mary Snow and Thelma Jones; a brother, Charles Adams; and two grandchildren.

Robert and Candice Kennedy (Dianna's children); and the love of his life, Jennie.

A graveside memorial service for Dick will be held at 2 p.m. Tuesday, July 6, at the Magic Valley Veterans Cemetery south of Hansen, with Pastor Mike Seward officiating. Military honors by the Magic Valley Veterans Association and Idaho National Guard. Services are under the direction of Reynolds Funeral Chapel in Twin Falls.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests memorials be given in Dick's name to A.A. of Twin Falls. Contributions may be given to funeral chapel staff or mailed to Reynolds Funeral Chapel, P.O. Box 1142, Twin Falls, ID 83303. Condolences may be left for the family by visiting [www.reynoldschapel.com](http://www.reynoldschapel.com).

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## James E. Burmeister

HEYBURN — James Ernest Burmeister, age 81, of Heyburn, passed away Sunday, June 27, 2010, at the Cassia Regional Medical Center after a valiant battle with cancer.

He was born Oct. 19, 1928, in Walnut, Iowa, the son of Harry and Harriet (Halden) Burmeister. He graduated from Gravity High School in Gravity, Iowa, and later served in the United States Air Force. He worked as a mail carrier for the United States Post Office retiring in 1983. He later worked for Jacobsen Trucking.

James loved to travel and enjoyed rock polishing, country music, old western movies, watching game shows and bull-riding.

He is survived by his wife, Felipa Tan Burmeister (whom he married on June 24, 2009) of Heyburn; his daughter, Janice (Larry) Vasquez; two granddaughters, Erin and Mandi; three great-grandsons; two great-granddaughters; and his brother, Mark Burmeister of Malta, N.J.



He was preceded in death by his first wife, Virginia Lee Irvin Burmeister in 2006; his parents; and one sister, Barbara Willson.

At his request, no formal service will be held. Cremation and arrangements have been entrusted to the care of the Rasmussen Funeral Home of Burley.

## Sherry Faye Thomsen Montgomery

RUPERT — Sherry Faye Thomsen Montgomery, age 63, of Rupert, passed away Monday, June 28, 2010, at the Minidoka Memorial Hospital.



On May 8, 1947, twin daughters named Sharon Sue and Sherry Faye were born in Rupert, Idaho, to Peter A. Thomsen and Clifrine Katherine Miller Thomsen. Sharon and Sherry were the third and fourth children of eight that joined the Thomsen family.

As a child, Sherry lived in the Jackson area, Rupert and the Emerson area. She attended school at Pioneer, Heyburn and graduated from Minico High School in 1965. She attended and graduated from Ricks College in 1967. She then continued her education and graduated from Brigham Young University in 1970, with an elementary teaching degree. Sherry started her teaching career the fall of 1970.

It was during her first year of teaching that Sherry met the love of her life, Gene Barton Montgomery. They were married on March 25, 1972. Their marriage was solemnized in August of 1974, in the Salt Lake Temple.

Sherry joined her husband the fall of 1972 in Key West, Fla., where Gene was stationed with the Navy. On Feb. 13, 1975, a son named Bret Barton Montgomery was born to them. The Navy transferred them to Philadelphia, Pa., and then to Norfolk, Va. On Father's Day, June 20, 1976, twin daughters were born named Kristi Elise and Misti Dawn. After Gene's release from the Navy, their family moved to Rupert. Sherry resided in Rupert until her passing.

Sherry stayed at home as a mother and homemaker until Bret, Kristi, and Misti were in school. She then returned to teaching at her favorite elementary school in Heyburn. She taught first, second and third grade for 28 years. Sherry loved teaching and touched many students' lives during her teaching

## Candace C. El Baruni Wahlstrom

Candace C. El Baruni Wahlstrom passed away Sunday, June 27, 2010, at her home in Twin Falls.



She was born Aug. 6, 1945, the daughter of Seth and Virginia McEntire Christensen.

Candace lived a quiet, simple life with her two cats that she constantly doted on. She had a deep love for family and friends, and was especially fond of her many nieces and nephews. Candace lived with many physical illnesses, but her love and faith in her Savior and her Heavenly Father kept her hoping for a better day.

She is survived by her mother, Virginia Christensen of Twin Falls; four brothers Neal (Karen) of Pocatello,

career. She retired from teaching in 2006 because of health problems.

Sherry was a very talented and crafty lady. She loved arts and crafts and was an accomplished seamstress.

Sherry was a member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. She served in many position during her life: Young Women's president, Ward Activities Committee, Achievement Days teacher, visiting teacher and others. She loved visiting teaching and was a faithful visiting teacher.

Sherry and Gene loved to travel when her health permitted. They traveled all over the United States, including Hawaii and Alaska. She loved to spend time with her family and friends.

Sherry is survived by her spouse, Gene Barton Montgomery of 38 years; son, Bret Barton Montgomery of Salt Lake City, Utah; and daughters, Kristi Elise Montgomery and Misti Dawn Montgomery of Leavenworth, Wash. She is also survived by her siblings, Gayla Haug of McNeal, Ariz., Beverly (Les) Gates of Janesville, Wis., Sharon (Steven) Harris of Paul, Jerry (Terri) Thomsen of Burley, Debbie (Scott) Drussel of Nampa, Jana Thomsen of Paul and Phil Thomsen of Phoenix, Ariz.; and many nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Peter A. Thomsen and Clifrine Miller Thomsen, and grandparents.

The funeral will be held at 11 a.m. Wednesday, July 7, at the Rupert LDS 2nd Ward, 26 S. 100 W. (Rupert West Stake Center), with Bishop Max Garner officiating. Burial service will follow in the Rupert Cemetery. A viewing for family and friends will be held from 6 to 8 p.m. Tuesday, July 6, at Hansen Mortuary, 710 Sixth St. in Rupert, and from 10 to 10:45 a.m. prior to the service at the church. Arrangements are under the direction of the Hansen Mortuary Rupert Chapel.

## Malinda D. Hess

JEROME — Malinda D. Hess, 82, died Wednesday, June 30, 2010, at her home in Jerome.

She was born Feb. 4, 1928, at Riverside, Utah. Malinda married Ora Hess on Sept. 26, 1944.

Malinda is survived by her daughters, Linda Beaver and Juanita Lutrell; grandchild, Marlinda (Chris) Russell; step-grandchildren, Debbie (Shorty) Clingan, Tammy



(Jerry) Jameson, Judy Beaver and James Beaver; and numerous great-grandchildren.

Malinda was preceded in death by her husband, Ora Hess; daughter, Shelley Hess; and son, Clair D. Hess.

No service is planned. Cremation arrangements took place under the care and direction of the Hove-Robertson Funeral Chapel in Jerome.

## Mary Withers

BURLEY — Mary Withers peacefully joined her parents on Sunday, June 27, 2010.

She is survived by her daughter, Rebecca Parmenter (Alford); three sisters; and three brothers, along with her nieces, nephews

and cousins. She was touched by all who knew her.

A celebration of her life will be held at 4 p.m. Friday, July 9, at Syringa Plaza in Burley. Cremation is under the direction of Morrison Funeral Home & Crematory.

## Clyde Leon Peterson

BURLEY — Clyde Leon Peterson, 82, of Burley, passed away Wednesday, June 30, 2010, at his home.

Clyde was born May 12, 1928, in Belle Fourche, Butte County, S.D., the son of Emma (Merritt) Peterson and Leon Peterson. He married Loretta Deaton on May 25, 1949. They lived in Fort Bridger, Wyo., for more than 40 years.

He served as a paratrooper in the Korean War and was honored with the Purple Heart.

He was a Veteran of Foreign Wars, a member of the American Legion, and a member of the Honda Gold Wing Riders. Clyde worked in the oil fields and in the mines of Wyoming; he was a cowboy, a bull rider, an all around good old boy, and he was a biker to the end.

Clyde enjoyed gardening, small engine repair, being a wooden yard art builder, riding his motorcycle (Goldwing) and going to the

local restaurants for breakfast, where he would feud with all the waitresses, especially at JB's.

He is survived by his children, Roberta Lee Peterson, Linda Gay Olsen and Pete Peterson; and grandchildren, Robert H. Olsen, Tony Rocha, Timothy Peterson and Samatha Brumme.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Loretta Peterson; a daughter, Brendy Bruney; granddaughter, Shelly Bruney; his twin brothers, Clinton Peterson and Clifford Peterson Sr.; and baby sister, Patricia Lee Peterson.

The funeral will be held at 3 p.m. Tuesday, July 6, at the Bridger Valley Baptist Church in Lyman, Wyo., with Pastor Mel Sada officiating. Services will conclude with burial in the Millburne Cemetery, with veteran's graveside rites. Services are under the direction of Hansen Payne Mortuary of Burley and Crandall Mortuary of Evanston, Wyo.

## DEATH NOTICES

### Harold O. Brown

GOODING — Harold O. Brown, 71, of Gooding, died Thursday, July 1, 2010, at his home. A memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. Wednesday, July 7, at the United Methodist Church in Gooding (Demaray Funeral Service, Gooding Chapel).

### Lola C. Kinsey

SHOSHONE — Lola Cora Kinsey, 89, of Arizona and formerly of Shoshone and Boise, died Thursday, July 1, 2010, in Arizona.

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

### Becky L. Massie

Becky Lea Ann Massie, 50, of Twin Falls, died Thursday, July 1, 2010, at St. Luke's Magic Valley Medical Center in Twin Falls.

Arrangements will be announced by White Mortuary in Twin Falls.

### Dorothy Carrington

SHOSHONE — Dorothy "Angel" Carrington, 48, of Shoshone, died Friday, July 2, 2010, at the Lincoln County Care Center in Shoshone. Arrangements will be announced by Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home in Twin Falls.

### Luther W. Phillips

HAGERMAN — Luther W. Phillips, 72, of Hagerman, died Friday, July 2, 2010, at North Canyon Medical Center in Gooding.

Arrangements will be

announced by Demaray Funeral Service, Gooding Chapel.

### Grady G. Evans

HEYBURN — Grady Glen Evans, 87, of Heyburn, died Thursday, July 1, 2010, at his daughter's home in Twin Falls. Arrangements will be announced by Rasmussen Funeral Home of Burley.

### Opal Thurber

Opal "Maxine" Thurber, 86, of Twin Falls, died Friday, July 2, 2010, at River Ridge Care Center in Twin Falls. Arrangements will be announced by Farmer Funeral Chapel of Buhl.

### Robert L. Hildreth

BUHL — Robert Lavelle Hildreth, 73, of Buhl, died Friday, July 2, 2010, at St. Luke's Magic Valley Medical Center in Twin Falls.

Arrangements will be announced by Farmer Funeral Chapel of Buhl.

### Marcus A. Corbeil

HAGERMAN — Marcus A. Corbeil, 38, of Hagerman, died Friday, July 2, 2010, in Pinedale, Wyo., in a motorcycle accident.

Arrangements will be announced by the Hawker Funeral Home in Blackfoot.

### Esther Kuykendall

Esther H. Kuykendall, 96, of Twin Falls, died Saturday, July 3, 2010, at her home.

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

## SERVICES

**Arnold Curtis Coleman** of Heyburn, military rites at 3 p.m. Tuesday at Idaho State Veterans Cemetery; visitation from 10 to 11 a.m. Tuesday at Hansen-Payne Mortuary, 321 E. Main, Burley.

**Minerva V. Monreal** of Rupert, funeral Mass at 2 p.m. Wednesday at St. Nicholas Catholic Church, 802 F St. in Rupert; visita-

tion from 5 to 7 p.m. Tuesday, with a vigil at 6 p.m. at the church (Hansen Mortuary Rupert Chapel).

**Dorothy Jean McNeil Evans** of Twin Falls, gathering for family and friends from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Thursday at the Hawker Funeral Home, 132 S. Shilling Ave. in Blackfoot; graveside service will follow.

## Velma Gay Hail

DEMING, N.M. — Velma Gay Hail, formerly of Hagerman, Idaho, passed away Tuesday, June 29, 2010, in Deming, N.M., her home for 36 years.

Velma was born Dec. 14, 1919, at the family home on Cedar Draw in Filer, Idaho, to Robert and Clara Dewese Gay. Also born was her twin sister, Thelma. Velma was welcomed by her best friend and sister, Nellie; brother, Jim (Bud); and sister, Jean. Their mother passed way when Velma was less than 2 years old, and their father raised the family in the Magic Valley and Gibsonville, Idaho. In the 1940s, Velma moved to Los Angeles, Calif., to live with an aunt, worked as a "Rosie the Riveter" during World War II, and married Larry Hail on Aug. 15, 1944. In 1945, Velma and Larry moved to Hagerman and their son, Gary, was born.

Velma's warm smile and kind manner made her many lasting friends throughout her life. While in Los Angeles, she joined the Christian Science Church and, during her life, traveled to church functions and made lasting friendships with many throughout the country. Velma always loved a garden and her flowers, fruits and vegetables were bountiful. She was always willing to share all she had, even if it was just a little. You would always find many rocks scattered about as she was an avid "rock hound." Her home reflected all she cherished with mementos scattered about.

Upon moving to Deming, Velma and Larry became friends with Allen and Linda

Plymale. As the years passed, the friendship became strong. After Gary's death in 1979 and Larry's death in 1996, that friendship grew to a strong and mutual love for each other. Velma was truly blessed to have been "adopted" by the Plymale family that includes Charlie, Larissa, Tyler, Keira, Douglas and his family. They were always there in good times or tough times, taking care of medical emergencies or taking a trip together, the Plymale's love never wavered. Velma's neighbors, Randy and Sally McCowan, were always willing to take her to town for shopping or visit about Indian lore, a passion of Velma's. Randy even wrote about Velma in one of his published books. Nancy Hill was a housekeeper who became a friend and helper along with her husband, Harvey.

Velma is survived by her sister, Nellie Moore and family, Bob and Barb Powers and their family; sister, Jean Glauner and daughter, Bonnie Carter and her family; deceased brother, Jim Gay's girls and families, Anita and Mel Maddox, Trish and Don Goforth, and Shirley and Rod Brown; and deceased sister, Thelma Martin's family, Mary McLaughlin, Bob and Carol Hodge and their family. Velma was preceded in death by her brothers-in-law, Harry Moore and Frank Glauner; and sister-in-law, Ella Gay.

A graveside service will be held at 11 a.m. Tuesday, July 6, at the Hagerman Cemetery, with Pastor Scott Berner of Our Savior Lutheran Church officiating.

## Merritt Eugene 'Tom' Weldin

KIMBERLY — Merritt Eugene "Tom" Weldin, 81, of Kimberly and formerly of Union, Ore., and Burley, Idaho, passed away of a fatal heart attack on Thursday, July 1, 2010, at St. Luke's Magic Valley Medical Center in Twin Falls.

Merritt was born on April 25, 1929, in White Owl, S.D. He is the son of Fredrick Weldin and Maude (McGlin) Weldin.

Merritt lived a hard life, his jobs included, working for the railroad, working the Salmon traps in Alaska and heavy construction. He served in the U.S. military in World War II, serving in the Philippines as a supply clerk. He was married for a time and later divorced. Merritt married Thelma N. Durfee and he helped raise her two sons, Randy and Danny, as his own sons.

Merritt is survived by his wife, Thelma Weldin of Kimberly; several sisters-in-law, (his wife's family), Nona (Durfee) Drusse (Jay) of Burley, Wanda (Durfee) Coffman (Leland) of Rupert;

brothers-in-law, Cliff (Ruth) Durfee, Lonnie Durfee, Dean (Ann) Durfee and Dennie (Mary) Durfee, all of Washington, Eldon L. (Rowene) Durfee of Burley and Bill (Elberta) Durfee of Declo; and his sister, Hallie Stuckey of Boise; and his sister in law, Gertie Weldin, as well as several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents; his two sons, Randy Gene Durfee and Danny Higenbothum; his grandson, Johnny Durfee; and his brothers and sisters.

At the time of his death, Merritt resided at Oak Creek Rehabilitation Center in Kimberly, Idaho, where he was cared for Alzheimer's disease. He will be greatly missed by all who loved him.

A family viewing and memorial will take place at 1 p.m. Tuesday, July 6, at Hansen Mortuary Burley Chapel, 321 E. Main St. in Burley, Idaho. A family burial will take place in John Day, Ore. Services are under the direction of White Mortuary, Chapel by the Park, in Twin Falls.

## Trinity Ann Hubbs Loya

BOISE — Trinity Ann Hubbs Loya, of Boise and formerly of Shoshone, died quietly in her sleep Monday, June 28, 2010. Quiet may have been how she passed, but it was not how she lived. Her smile could light up a room, her humor brought raucous laughter and the thrasher metal she loved rattled more than a few windows. She lived loudly with fierce determination.

Trinity was born Dec. 13, 1981, to a large and loving family. She was educated in Shoshone schools and active in church and community activities. While she worked in a variety of jobs, she found her calling in the U.S. Army, joining the Army Reserve in 1999. She was a sergeant with the 1016th Quartermaster Company. As a team leader in the Pipeline Platoon, she helped implement the platoon's mission running a petroleum pipeline, which can pump fuel up to 90 miles at a rate of one million gallons per day. In April 2006, Trinity was deployed to Tallil, Iraq, where she and her fellow soldiers managed forward area refueling point, where they "hot-refueled" helicopters. She also helped guard and protect a cantonment area for foreign national truck drivers. She continued as an active Army Reservist until her death.

Upon returning to Idaho from Iraq, Trinity met the man who would make her heart whole. Rene Loya fell in love with Trinity the moment he saw her, but it took Trinity a while to accept this unconditional love. Eventually, Trinity gave in and embraced the joy she felt in her heart. The two were blissfully, ridiculously happy. When Rene got his deployment orders, the couple married in a simple civil ceremony just last March, but were planning a wedding for his return. Avid Boise State fans, they were hoping to have the ceremony during football season, near Bronco Stadium and

their beloved blue field. Thankfully, Rene was home on leave when Trinity passed. Her last moments spent in his loving arms, where she felt safe and warm and unafraid.

She is survived by her husband, Rene, and his precious daughter, Kaitlyn, of Boise.

While Trinity faced more than her fair share of struggles in her short life, her strength, iron will and determination combined with the love of her family and friends always returned her to center. She was straight forward and kind; a loving daughter, sister, friend and new wife and stepmother. She brought tremendous joy and a twisted sense of humor to this world.

Trinity is also survived by her parents, Salena (Salli) and Loren (Duain) Hubbs of Shoshone and her birth mother, Sherry LaGrand; and her grandparents, Polk and Rayena Fancher and Marvella Beverly. In addition, she had many loving, (one or two crazy) aunts, uncles, nieces and nephews. Her beloved siblings are Melody, Matt, Mark, Shawn, Chanelle, Cameron, Shalona, Danica, Caleb and Naomi — along with their spouses and children — people Trinity cherished every moment of every day.

She was preceded in death by her grandparents, Loren and Dorothy Hubbs; Uncle Nathan Parlet; and a cousin, Michael Chadwick.

A viewing was held Wednesday, June 30, at Boise Funeral Home, Aclasa Chapel. A celebration of Trinity's beautiful life was held Thursday, July 1, at the Veterans Memorial on the Lincoln County Courthouse lawn in Shoshone, Idaho, with a dinner and reception that followed at the Hubbs' home north of Shoshone.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks donations be made to BVAMC#GPF1008 at Boise VA Medical Center, in care of volunteer services, 500 W. Fort St., Boise, ID 83702.



## Key planner of Munich Olympics attack dies in Syria

By Albert Aji  
Associated Press writer

DAMASCUS, Syria — Mohammed Oudeh, the key planner of the 1972 Munich Olympics attack that killed 11 Israeli athletes, died Saturday morning in Damascus, his daughter said. He was 73.

Oudeh died of kidney failure a day after he was rushed to Damascus' Andalus hospital after falling sick, Hana Oudeh told The Associated Press.

Mohammed Oudeh — also known under his guerrilla name Abu Daoud — did not participate in the Sept. 5, 1972 attack. Two Israeli athletes were killed in the assault, and nine others died in a botched rescue attempt by the German police. A German policeman and five Palestinian gunmen also were killed.

The Munich attack shocked the world as the most high-profile and brazen assault on a sports team, and later led to a wave of assassinations of top Palestinian officials.

Oudeh was a leader of "Black September," an offshoot of the late Palestinian

leader Yasser Arafat's Fatah group that was established to avenge the 1970 expulsion of Palestinian guerrillas from Jordan.

In a 2006 interview with The AP, Oudeh said the Munich events were a turning point for Palestinians and rejected the term "terrorists" to describe Palestinian fighters.

"Before Munich, we were simply terrorists. After Munich, at least people started asking who are these terrorists? What do they want," he said. "Before Munich, nobody had the slightest idea about Palestine."

Oudeh said he had no qualms about the operation because he considered the Israeli athletes, as military reservists, legitimate targets. But he claimed the intent was not to kill the Israelis — rather, to use them as bargaining chips to free more than 200 Palestinians jailed in Israel.

He recounted how leaders of the Palestine Liberation Organization — angry that the Palestinians were denied an Olympic slot — dreamed up the attack while sitting at a sidewalk cafe in Rome.

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## William J. 'Bill' Quinn

JEROME — William J. "Bill" Quinn, 66, died at his home Friday, July 2, 2010, surrounded by his family and his many close friends.

Bill was born in Boston on Oct. 16, 1943, the son of John Quinn and Eleanor Durbin Quinn. Bill was invited to join the Army by his father who loved him and a magistrate who wished to share Bill with another jurisdiction. He served honorably with the 82nd Airborne, where his only complaint was being thrown out of perfectly good airplanes.

After discharge, he returned to Boston for a short time before beginning the long journey that brought him to his beloved Jerome, Idaho, in 1971. Bill operated a small construction company in southern Idaho and Wyoming before meeting Dennis Bell, in 1976, who Bill was mentored by and worked



for, over the next several decades.

Bill is survived by his son, Ron Quinn; daughter, Topper Aman; father, John Quinn; brother, Tom Quinn; grandchildren, Andrew Aman, Morgan Friends and Lisa Aman; and the many nephews, nieces, great-grandchildren, cousins and his many close friends who will miss him.

Bill was preceded in death by his wife, Orpha, for whom he grieved until his death; his mother, Eleanor; a brother, James; and his sister, Jeanette.

A service will be conducted at 11 a.m. Wednesday, July 7, at Farnsworth Mortuary, 1343 S. Lincoln in Jerome, Idaho. Burial will be at the Jerome Cemetery. The family suggests that in lieu of flowers, please make a memorial in Bill's name to Hospice Visions, 209 Shoup Ave. W., Twin Falls, ID 83301.

## Chief: 2 arrests linked to Calif. police attacks

The Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — Two men who investigators believe are linked to a series of booby trap attacks on police in a town in the Southern California desert have been arrested, authorities said Saturday.

Seventy-eight police officers, deputies and federal agents served a series of warrants Friday night and raided the homes of two suspects — Nicholas John Smit, 40, of Hemet and Steven Hansen, 36, of Homeland, Hemet Police Chief Richard Dana said at a news conference Saturday that included representatives from the Riverside County Sheriff's Department, the FBI and the Bureau of Alcohol Tobacco and Firearms.

Smit was being held on a suspicion of making a booby trap and assault on a police officer with intent to commit

murder, Dana said. He was already facing charges for marijuana cultivation, Dana said.

Dana discussed few details of the case, but said Smit did express his distaste for the police department.

"He made a couple statements that made us believe that he didn't like us very much," Dana said.

Hansen was being held for parole violation and weapons charges.

Police reached by phone Saturday did not know whether either man had hired an attorney.

Authorities said they are still seeking two other suspects, and have offered a \$200,000 reward for information leading to the conviction of those responsible for the attacks.

Since late last year, Hemet law enforcement officials and city property have been targeted seven times through

booby traps and arson fires that investigators believe originated with the same group of suspects.

No one has been injured.

The most recent attack was a fire that set off ammunition at a police evidence building before dawn Wednesday.

Other incidents include a natural gas pipe was rerouted into the headquarters of an anti-gang unit on Dec. 31. The building filled with flammable vapor, but an officer smelled the danger and the building emptied before anyone was hurt.

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# THE COUNTRY'S CHANGING FACE

Growing number of immigrants move to nation's heartland

By David Klepper  
McClatchy Newspapers

GARDEN CITY, Kan. — Your home can be your birthplace. Or where you raise a family. Or where you bury your kin.

For a growing number of immigrants, home is far west Kansas in a city of 28,000, a world away from Mogadishu, Mexico City and Myanmar.

It's where women in burqas stroll down a Norman Rockwell Main Street that is festooned with early Fourth of July banners. And where a Buddhist temple sits alongside grocery stores selling Mexican soft drinks and 50-pound bags of jasmine rice.

"This is my home. I want to become American," said Abshiro Warsame, a Somali woman who works the late shift at the nearby Tyson beef packing plant.

Warsame came to the U.S. seven years ago, after her husband was murdered. A U.S. flag hangs in her small, shared flat. In her spare time, she studies English and Spanish.

By 2050, the Census Bureau predicts, the United States will have a new ethnic minority: non-Hispanic whites. Already, non-Hispanic whites are a minority in California, Texas, New Mexico and Hawaii, as well as in about 1 in 10 U.S. counties.

America's future arrived early in Garden City. New census numbers show that non-Hispanic whites now account for just under 50 percent of Finney County's 42,000 residents. Hispanic residents — who may be of any race — make up another



Kansas City Star/MCT photos

Burmese refugees Ta Ma Lahtoo, 45, left, Ta Poh Poh, 42, right, and their 5-month-old daughter Paw Sher Gay, who was born in the United States, live in Garden City, Kan. Within this small community, the couple has started a family and began working at the local meat processing plant.

45 percent, with African-Americans, Asian-Americans and a variety of immigrants rounding out the rest.

The county is the latest in Kansas where non-Hispanic whites are the new minority.

According to projections, the 2010 U.S. Census will show non-Hispanic whites as the minority in as many as four Kansas counties: Finney, Seward, Grant and Ford. All are in southwestern Kansas. Non-Hispanic whites for years have been a minority in Wyandotte County, which has significant African-American and Hispanic populations.

Immigration is among the reasons for the demographic shift. Across the nation, immigration is challenging communities. Schools are searching for more money to hire interpreters. Governments are struggling to integrate newcomers. Longtime residents are adapting to neighbors who look, cook and speak differently.

Some people are pushing back.

Arizona sparked a politi-

cal firestorm earlier this year by passing a law to crack down on illegal immigration. Late last month, residents in Fremont, Neb., approved a law prohibiting businesses and landlords from hiring or renting to illegal immigrants.

But the changes may be inexorable. The non-Hispanic white population is aging and its birth rates are falling. Hispanic birth rates are rising. So is legal immigration.

Meat-packing centers such as Garden City offer an attractive destination during a down economy, with plentiful jobs that require few skills and little training.

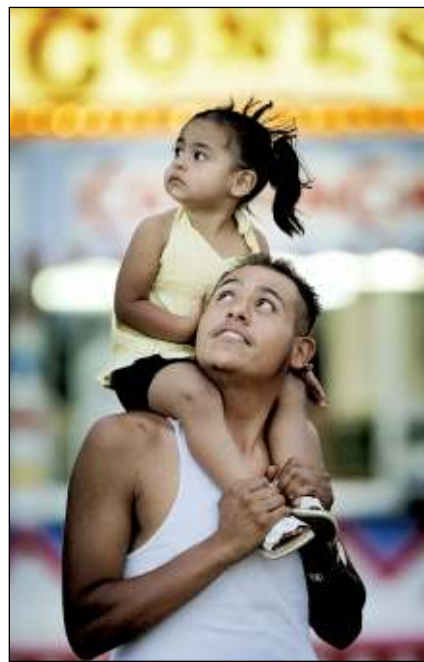
Like their predecessors, immigrants bring their own cultures. In May, Somali residents ruffled some feathers in Garden City after they requested a Muslim-only section in the city cemetery for religious reasons.



Sav Ka Dar, left, and her daughter Lai La Be, 3, live in Garden City, Kan. Her family came to western Kansas from Thailand.

"This is our home now," said Abdulkadir Mohamed, a Somali Muslim and translator at the Tyson plant who moved here in 2006. "But we need a place for us in the cemetery."

While most in town are handling the religious differences well, the request



Mexican-American Omar Flores, moved to Garden City, Kan., eight years ago from Chihuahua, Mexico, because his homeland had become too dangerous to raise a family. Here, Flores, with his daughter, Adaliz, 2, visits a community carnival on June 16.

touched off a debate that exposed some holes in the city's seemingly strong ethnic tapestry.

"We've been too politically correct for too long," said Leonard Hitz, a former Marine, retired banker and self-described cowboy poet. "If you want to come to this country and be an American, you're welcome. But learn the language and assimilate."

While other rural Kansas communities see populations dwindle and economies decline as their young people move away, Garden City is growing.

"This community doesn't look like it once did in the '50s and '60s," said former Mayor Nancy Harness. "But you know, the communities that look the same way they did back then? They're all dying. These people bring fresh blood. They bring children."

Lunch break at the Tyson plant erupts into a riot of language and color. Tall Somali women glide

by in flowing red and green gowns. Groups of tired-looking men chat in Burmese — one of the 14 languages spoken in the plant.

Wages start at \$12.30 an hour, and it's tough, bloody work.

The plant has long relied on immigrant labor willing to do it, according to plant manager Paul Karkiainen. Tyson hires interpreters to translate. Signs in the lunchroom are posted in three languages: Spanish, English and Vietnamese.

"We probably could add a few new ones," said Jonathan Galia, a Baptist minister who works as the plant chaplain.

All Tyson plants employ chaplains such as Galia, who minister to workers and help integrate them into the community. He left his native Philippines 17 years ago. Now a U.S. citizen, Galia worked as a hospital chaplain before taking the job at the plant.

"You have to reach people where they are," Galia said of his unusual parish.

## FAA nixes proposed site of Hailey airport on safety concerns

HAILEY (AP) — The Federal Aviation Administration has eliminated one of the three proposed sites as a replacement for Friedman Memorial Airport in Hailey.

The FAA announced Thursday that a site east of state Highway 75 and north of U.S. Highway 20 has been discarded.

Officials said terrain around the site would prevent making certain types of instrument landing approaches with minimums of 200-foot ceilings and half-mile horizontal visibility, which pilots use in determining whether to proceed with a landing.

Plans for the airport that will eventually replace Friedman call for an all-weather landing system, something the current airport lacks and that causes flights to the resort area to be diverted to Twin Falls or Boise, which can result in long bus rides.

The FAA says the airport needs to be moved out of the city of Hailey due to safety

concerns. Officials with the agency said the ridgelines that surround Friedman Memorial Airport mean aircraft that abort landings can't meet FAA standards of 2,000 feet above the highest terrain as they climb to higher airspace to make another approach.

Cayla Morgan, FAA program manager, also announced Thursday that a draft Environmental Impact Statement on proposed airport sites to be released this summer has been postponed to early 2011. She said more research is needed on the two remaining sites, one called Site 12 and the other Site 10-A.

Site 12 is along the north side of U.S. Highway 20 and just inside Blaine County east of the Camas County line.

Site 10-A is in southern Blaine County east of Highway 75.

If Site 12 is eventually selected, officials said Highway 20 would have to be moved several miles because of how close it is to the runway.

## Fireworks accident injures 3 Mountain Home firefighters

MOUNTAIN HOME (AP) — Three firefighters have been injured and a Fourth of July fireworks show is canceled after a fireworks display exploded Saturday while being set up at a southwestern Idaho golf course.

Mountain Home Mayor Tom Rist says two firefighters were treated and released and a third remained hospitalized in stable condition.

Golf pro Rob Ellis of Desert Canyon Golf Course says many golfers were on the course when the explosion occurred about 1 p.m. but none were injured, and that golfers have returned to the course.

Rist says firefighters told him static electricity might have caused the fireworks to ignite, destroying about 80 percent of the planned display.

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Opinion

EDITORIAL

# It's America: We're all on the same side

It seems as if one-half of the country is furious with the other half these days, and that friction extends to south-central Idaho.

On health care, immigration, social questions, local issues, everybody shouts and nobody listens in the summer of 2010.

So on the Fourth of July, it's fitting we agree that must stop. Remember debate, give-and-take, compromise and conciliation?

In order to rediscover them, the antagonists need to acknowledge some basic truths:

Democrats and moderate Republicans must admit that Tea Partiers have legitimate grievances about the way America is run, and every right to articulate them.

And conservatives must acknowledge that President Obama and the Democrats in control of Washington, D.C., are neither traitors nor fools, no matter how much they disagree with those policies.

That's the kind of tacit understanding that has gotten the country through 234 years without flying apart.

And really, what has all the Glenn Beck-vs.-Keith Olbermann venom achieved for either side? We have a sputtering economy, a disastrous immigration policy, a dangerous gridlock on energy and the environment, and a Congress - both Democrats and Republicans - that most Americans say they flatly despise.

On the state level, the House Republican leadership and the state's educators, school board members and many patrons aren't even on speaking terms, even as our public schools deteriorate and our colleges become unaffordable for Idaho kids.

And locally, we can't even agree whether to hold fireworks on July 4th or 5th.

All of which has produced the dysfunctionality we deserve.

It's time for Magic and Wood River residents, Idahoans and Americans to start talking to - and not past - each other again. And the issue here isn't just civility; it's pragmatism.

We - all of us - need to abandon our talk-radio fortresses and start dealing with what really matters to our communities and our children.

For better or worse, Americans will have a referendum on Obama and his policies in November, and will be free to vote him out of office if they choose 28 months from now.

But we can't wait that long to confront real issues.

How, for examples, are we going to deal with Idaho's still weak economy? What are the Legislature and the governor going to do to stop the bleeding in public education? How will we handle the threat to public safety that overcrowded prisons pose? And what will we do to keep Idahoans on Medicaid from losing the essential services on which they depend?

It seems to us that two phone calls would help. Republican Gov. C.L. "Butch" Otter should phone his Democratic opponent, Keith Allred, and propose they make this campaign about reality, not threadbare rhetoric.

And Speaker of the House Lawrence Denney, R-Midvale, should call his Democratic counterpart, Rep. John Rusche of Lewiston, and suggest they both do things differently in the coming session of the Legislature.

Like the rest of America, Idahoans are weary to the bone of excuses. Time to get to work.

**Our view:** Cartoonist Walt Kelly got it right about much of America: We've met the enemy, and he is us.

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

# Great Idaho political speeches



By Steve Crump

It's the Fourth of July. What better day to celebrate to sublime art of stemwinding?

Political speechmaking has a long and storied tradition in Idaho, mostly because of two United States senators.

William Borah, a Republican who served six terms in Washington, D.C., was called the "Lion of Idaho," and not just because of his striking long white mane. He was a spellbinding orator.

Sen. Henry Cabot Lodge, R-Mass., the chief opponent of President Woodrow Wilson's efforts to get the Senate to ratify the Treaty of Versailles, credited Borah's last-minute speech (included in today's Opinion pages) for scuttling the bill. Throughout small-town Idaho during Borah's 33 years in the Senate, crowds would gather hours ahead of time when Borah was scheduled to talk.

Democrat Frank Church, a Boise kid who grew up admiring Borah and his rhetorical skills, was elected by Idahoans to four terms in the Senate in large part because he was so articulate. As a 17-year-old Boise High School student, Church had won the American Legion National Oratorical Contest in 1941 with a spirited speech on American values on the eve of the country's entry into World War II.

Both Church and Borah were meticulous thinkers who labored for hours on crafting just the right words. And their turns of phrase were often memorable.

Also on this section, you'll find Nez Perce Chief Joseph's remarks when he surrendered his tribal army after a bitter, year-long war with the feds, and an emotional defense by former Sen. Larry Craig of Second Amendment Rights. (Craig was a longtime member of the board of directors of the National Rifle Association.)

Steve Crump is the Times-News Opinion editor.

## Idaho's top 5 orations

### 1. Sen. William Borah

Remarks in opposition to the League of Nations Washington, D.C., Nov. 19, 1919

... Sir, we are told that this treaty means peace. Even so, I would not pay the price. Would you purchase peace at the cost of any part of our independence? We could have had peace in 1776 - the price was high, but we could have had it. James Otis, Sam Adams, Hancock and Warren were surrounded by those who urged peace and British rule ... We could have had peace in 1860; Lincoln was counseled by men of great influence and accredited wisdom to let our brothers - and, thank heaven, they are our brothers - depart in peace. But the tender, loving Lincoln, bending under the fearful weight of impending civil war, an apostle of peace, refused to pay the price, and a reunited country will praise his name forevermore - bless it because he refused peace at the price of national honor and national integrity. Peace upon any other basis than national independence, peace purchased at the cost of a part of our national integrity, is fit only for slaves, and even when purchased at such price it is a delusion, for it cannot last.

... Is there any guaranty of peace other than the guaranty which comes of the control of the warmaking power by the people? ...

Can you hope for peace when love of country is disregarded in your scheme, when the spirit of nationality is rejected, even scoffed at? Yet what law of that moving and mysterious force does your treaty not deny? ... People who speak the same language, kneel at the same ancestral tombs, moved by the same traditions, animated by a common hope, are torn asunder, broken in pieces, divided and parceled out to antagonistic nations. And you call this justice. Peoples who have dreamed of independence, struggled and been patient, sacrificed and been hopeful, peoples who were told that through this peace conference they should realize the aspirations of centuries, have again had their hopes dashed to Earth ...

Mr. President, I turn from this scheme based upon force to another scheme, planned 143 years ago in old Independence Hall, in the city of Philadelphia, based on liberty. I like it better. I have become so accustomed to believe in it that it is difficult for me to reject it out of hand. I have difficulty in subscribing to the new creed of oppression, the creed of dominant and subjective principles. I feel a reluctance to give up the belief that all men are created equal - the eternal principle in government that all governments derive their just powers from the consent of the governed. I cannot get my consent to exchange the doctrine of George Washington for the doctrine of Frederick the Great translated into mendacious phrases of peace. I go back to that serene

"We may go back in sackcloth and ashes, but we will return to the faith of the fathers. America will live her own life."



- William Borah

and masterful soul who pointed the way to power and glory for the new and then weak republic, and whose teachings and admonitions even in our majesty and dominance we dare not disregard.

... It has been piped about of late ... that (George) Washington's wisdom was of his day only and that his teachings are out of fashion ... that while he was great in character and noble in soul he was untrained in the arts of statecraft and unlearned in the science of government ...

What is the test of statesmanship? Is it the formation of theories, the utterance of abstract and incontrovertible truths, or is it the capacity and the power to give to a people that concrete thing called liberty, that vital and indispensable thing in human happiness called free institutions, and to establish over all and above all the blessed and eternal reign of order and law? If this be the test, where shall we find another whose name is entitled to be written beside the name of Washington?

... Americanism shall not, cannot, die. We may go back in sackcloth and ashes, but we will return to the faith of the fathers. America will live her own life. The independence of the republic will have it defenders. Thousands have suffered and died for it, and their sons and daughters are not of the breed who will be betrayed into the hands of foreigners

(Editor's note: An hour after Borah's speech, the U.S. Senate rejected the Treaty of Versailles, which would have made America a member of the League of Nations. It was the first treaty the Senate ever refused to ratify.)

### 2. Sen. Frank Church

Keynote address, Democratic National Convention Memorial Sports Arena, Los Angeles, July 11, 1960

... We are Democrats, not because our party has always done everything right, but because it has been the principal party of progress ...

Nearly everybody now acclaims the liberal reforms hammered out by the Democratic Party against the determined

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## LETTER TO THE EDITOR

### It's not just teachers, but kids, getting cuts

It seems in my opinion that not only are the teachers of Idaho getting the cuts, so are our children. It would only seem right that if cuts were to be made in any school district across America that it would not jeopardize or hinder the

education of our children. These kids are our future and if we start cutting them out, can you only imagine what our future will be for everyone?

My question is this - can't we cut back to a four-day school week, yet lengthen the school day by an hour or so? Not cut salaries and activities of

our kids but only cut the out-of-pocket expenses. If we start there, power would cut back, buses would save money with both maintenance, gas and overhead, etc. Try those avenues first. Teachers pay should not be touched; OK, don't give any raises (even though they deserve them), but do not cut their

salaries.

We want first class education in America and Idaho.

Our children should always come first, no matter what the cost! Just my thought on the matter. Give Idaho back to our kids!

JACQUELINE HOWE Filer

# Speeches

Continued from Opinion 1



"I submit that it is a pitchman prosperity, the kind that results when government is run by hucksters not unaccustomed to selling inferior products by wrapping them in bright packages."

— Frank Church

opposition of the Republican Party just a few years ago, the Social Security Act to give assurance of retirement income to our senior citizens; the minimum wage and hour laws by which menial wages have been upgraded to decent standards ... the federal housing program, which has enabled the bulk of the people to become the owners of their own homes ...

Ours is an awesome age. We live anxiously in the shadow of the mushroom cloud and wonder whether the human race itself is to be consumed in the witchfire of thermonuclear war. We see the world in upheaval, polarized about two gigantic adversaries, the United States and the Soviet Union. At stake is the shape of the future ...

... We are told by the Republicans to be content, that they have done as much about our problems as we can afford, and that the present prosperity attests to their prudent management of our affairs.

But do we have a wholesome prosperity? I submit that it is a pitchman prosperity, the kind that results when government is run by hucksters not unaccustomed to selling inferior products by wrapping them in bright packages.

It is no accident that big business profits are higher than ever, nor that small business is failing at a record rate. The Republicans tell us that this is due to the immutable law of "the survival of the fittest." The fittest, of course, are the biggest, as anyone knows who has ever been in an alley fight. If small business doesn't want to get licked it will have to get out of the alley. In any case, it is "paternalism" according to the Republican rule-book, for the government to intervene as referee ...

Private dissipation flourishes, while public education flounders. The classroom shortage has not been met, and we continue to spend more for liquor and tobacco than for public schools. To sweeten private life, our stores display a billion bottles of deodorant, yet a modest bill to reduce the stench from our polluted public rivers was vetoed, and the urban air — thickening with contamination — begins to threaten public health.

We have cared so much about conspicuous consumption that our lives are cluttered with gadgets. Yet we have cared so little about our public responsibilities, that both young and old have been neglected; gangs of switchblade delinquents haunt the public streets, while lack of adequate medical care for the aged is fast becoming a national disgrace ...

What does all this portend for America? Are we to become a modern Babylon of public want among private glut? Is this to be the last port of call for the great American republic? ... I say to you ... the issue is our country's course — whether we can risk another four years on the Republican train.

For it's the same old train. He who sits in the cab up front can't change the direction of the ride. The train runs on Republican tracks, and they are fixed in place. To change direction, we must change trains, and that's just what the American people plan to do in November ...

... Is it possible, my friends, that this, the richest country on Earth, can no longer afford to be

the strongest?

In many ways we have watched our country shrink in stature, only to be told that Mr. (Richard) Nixon, the single aspirant in either party who upholds the very policies that have led us into fiasco, is the man best qualified to lead us out.

Well, the American people won't be fooled. Remembering the famous admonition of Theodore Roosevelt, speak softly, but carry a big stick, they are not about to substitute talk tough and carry a toothpick ...

I shall never forget the words of a Polish lady spoken to me on the square of the inner city of old Warsaw a year ago ... She put her hand in mine and she said, "Senator, America is truly the hope of the world." It is the American revolution, not the Russian, that has been an inspiration to all men who would be free. It is the American technological revolution, not the touted class struggle that has created here in the United States the world's most classless vote. It is the American technological revolution, not the proletarian state, that has achieved here in the United States a standard of living which is the marvel of the world.

... only an awakened and rededicated America can ever raise that standard around which the great fraternity of the free can rally — to summon from a newfound unity the resolution and the strength to make history ...



### 3. Chief Joseph

Speech of surrender to Gen. Nelson Miles Bear Paw Mountains, Montana Territory Oct. 5, 1877

Tell Gen. Howard I know his heart. What he told me before, I have it in my heart. I am tired of fighting. Our chiefs are killed; Looking Glass is dead, Ta Hool Hool Shute is dead. The old men are all dead. It is the young men who say yes or no. He who led on the young men is dead. It is cold, and we have no blankets; the little children are freezing to death. My people, some of them, have run away to the hills, and have no blankets, no food. No one knows where they are — perhaps freezing to death. I want to have time to look for my children, and see how many of them I can find. Maybe I shall find them among the dead. Hear me, my chiefs! I am tired; my heart is sick and sad. From where the sun now stands I will fight no more forever.

(Editor's note: Chief Joseph of the Nez Perce was a resident of Idaho Territory when the Nez Perce War broke out in 1877)

### 4. Sen. William Borah

Remarks in favor of states rights and in opposition to anti-lynching bill

Washington, D.C., Jan. 7, 1938

... (This measure) is an attempt on the part of states practically free from the race problem to sit in harsh judgment upon their sister states where the problem is always heavy and sometimes acute. It is proposed to condemn those states and the people in them because it is claimed that they have failed properly to meet and adjust this most difficult of all problems. No more drastic condemnation could be offered ... than that which is offered by the measure now before the Senate.

It proposes to authorize the national government to enter into the states, and to take charge of and prosecute as criminals the duly elected officials of the states, from the governor on down. It proposes that the federal government shall be the sole judge of the guilt or innocence of state officials ...

Nations are not held together merely by constitutions and laws.

"Nations are not held together merely by constitutions and laws. They are held together by mutual respect, by mutual confidence, by toleration for conditions in different parts of the country, by confidence that the people in the different parts of the country will solve their problems ..."

— William Borah

They are held together by mutual respect, by mutual confidence, by toleration for conditions in different parts of the country, by confidence that the people in the different parts of the country will solve their problems ...

Mr. President, we are dealing with a race problem ... there was no law ever made tight enough or strong enough to eliminate its injustices. Only the patient process of education, the uplifting power of religion, the tolerant, noble-minded men and women who give their thoughts to the cause can remove or mollify such injustices and such harshness ...

This, Mr. President, is another compromise with a vital principle of our dual system of government. It is bartering the future for the supposed and transient demands of the present ... It is another instance in which our confidence in our scheme of government is not strong enough to say to all races, all creeds, all groups and all factions: Your problems, however serious, are subordinate to the principles of this government, and you must work them out within the compass of the long-tested and well-accepted principles of democracy.

... The fundamental principles and precepts of popular government are not in doubt ... The confusion arises when we depart from those principles ...

... if we have the confidence in our form of government which we profess, we can place, not theory, not hopes, not ideals merely, but 150 years of achievement, of demonstrated popular rule, with its wealth of human happiness and human progress. ...



"The right of self-defense is not something the government bestows upon its citizens. It is an inalienable right, older than the Constitution itself."

— Larry Craig

### 5. Sen. Larry Craig

Remarks in support of 2nd Amendment rights Washington, D.C., June 6, 2000

... the first 10 amendments to our Constitution ... protect our most basic rights from being stripped away by an overly zealous government, including rights that all Americans hold dear ...

... Among the safeguards of these fundamental rights, we find the Second Amendment. Let me read it clearly:

"A well-regulated militia, being necessary to the security of a free state, the right of the people to keep and bear arms, shall not be infringed ..."

Some ... will read what I have just quoted from our Constitution quite differently. They might read "A well-regulated militia" and stop there and declare that "the right of the people to keep and bear arms" actually means that it is a right of our government to keep and bear arms because they associ-

ate the militia with the government. Yet, under this standard, the Bill of Rights would protect only the right of a government to speak, or the right of a government to criticize itself, if you were taking that same argument and transposing it over the first amendment. In fact, the Bill of Rights protects the rights of people from being infringed upon by government — not the other way around.

Of course, we know that our Founding Fathers in their effort to ratify the Constitution could not convince the citizens to accept it until the Bill of Rights was established to assure the citizenry that we were protecting the citizens from Government instead of government from the citizens.

Others say that the Second Amendment merely protects hunting and sport shooting. They see shooting competitions and hunting for food as the only legitimate uses of guns, and, therefore, conclude that the Second Amendment is no impediment to restricting gun use to those purposes.

You can hear it in the way President Clinton assures hunters that his gun control proposals that will not trample on recreation — though his proposals certainly walk all over their rights.

In fact, the Second Amendment does not merely protect sport shooting and hunting, though it certainly does that.

Nor does the Second Amendment exist to protect the government's right to bear arms.

The framers of our Constitution wrote the Second Amendment with a greater purpose.

They made the Second Amendment the law of the land because it has something very particular to say about the rights of every man and every woman, and about the relationship of every man and every woman to his or her government.

That is: The first right of every human being, the right of self-defense.

... Without that right, all other rights are meaningless. The right of self-defense is not something the government bestows upon its citizens. It is an inalienable right, older than the Constitution itself. It existed prior to government and prior to the social contract of our Constitution. It is the right that government did not create and therefore it is a right that under our Constitution the government simply cannot take away. The framers of our Constitution understood this clearly. Therefore, they did not merely acknowledge that the right exists. They denied Congress the power to infringe upon that right.

Under the social contract that is the Constitution of the United States, the American people have told Congress explicitly that we do not have the authority to abolish the American people's right to defend themselves. Further, the framers said not only does the Congress not have the power to abolish that right, but Congress may not even infringe upon that right. That is what our Constitution says. That is what the Second Amendment clearly lays out. Our Founding Fathers wrote the Second Amendment to tell us that a free state cannot exist if the people are denied the right or the means to defend themselves.

... our free state of the United States collectively, cannot exist without the right of the people to defend themselves. This is the meaning of the Second Amendment. Over the years a lot of our citizens and many politicians have tried to nudge that definition around. But contrary to what the media and the president say, the right to keep and bear arms is as important today as it was 200 years ago ...

... let there be no mistake. Guns are not for everyone. We restrict children's access to guns and we restrict criminals' access to guns, but we must not tolerate politicians who tell us that the Second Amendment only protects the right to hunt. We must not tolerate politicians who infringe upon our right to defend ourselves from thieves and stalkers and rapists and murderers. And we must not tolerate the politician who simply says: "Pass another gun control law and call 911."

(Editor's note: Craig was responding to proposed gun restrictions in the wake of a spate of shootings in public schools across the country).

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### Doing the opposite of what Jesus said

Once upon a time many years ago, a man named Jesus said, "Do unto others as you would have them do unto you."

My mother always said if you can't say anything nice about someone, don't say anything at all.

Today, things seem to be just the opposite. If you can't run down others, step aside and let guys like Rush

Limbaugh do all the talking. Some people seem to be in their glory doing the opposite.

WILLIAM HAFFNER  
Twin Falls

### Too many questions on power line plan

This letter is in regard to the recent informational meeting that was held June 21 in Hollister regarding the Gateway West power lines proposed along the foothill road.

During the meeting, I found that the scientific information offered over and over was, "I don't know." Cedar Butte Substation may not be on Cedar Butte but could be anywhere. These power lines (possibly four or five) and substation have raised more questions than anyone seems to have answers for. No one wants these lines over their irrigated agriculture, dairies or their homes, including me. The state line route near the Nevada border proposed by Cassia County seems to be the least intrusive on private land owners.

The important part is we don't need it. We have 160 windmills (which could be increased to 1,600 if necessary) proposed 20 miles south of Twin Falls. We have 400 acres of solar panels already approved 20 miles north of Jerome, and it is all green energy. This project has been in the planning stages for 1 1/2 years and we still do not know where or how many lines are planned. We do know it will come from a fossil fuel plant in Wyoming 700 miles away. This power most assuredly is headed to Las Vegas and Los Angeles. We don't need it here. We can produce our own green power right here at home.

Please contact your Twin Falls County commissioners or Bureau of Land Management with your input before the planning process is over or it will be too late.

WILLIAM J. BROCKMAN  
Kimberly

(Editor's note: Bill Brockman served as a Twin Falls County commissioner from 1999-2007).

### We shouldn't fight other nations' wars

I have always been a "hawk" as far as foreign relations are concerned. In recent years, my attitude has changed.

It seems we have suffered a bad case of poor leadership and our nation has lost a lot of prestige in the world. Our leaders have ignored the will of the people and seem determined to drag us into socialism. Americans do not want socialism, but we are powerless to change the direction our great nation is taking. I believe we should help other nations when they need help, but I do not think we should fight their wars for them.

I am now ready to accept the fact that our operations in Iraq and Afghanistan are miserable failures. We can never change these people; they have been killing each other for thousands of years and will never quit their killing. So it is time for us to tell them, sorry friends, we have tried to help you but we can't do this anymore.

Many of our brave young men have given their lives for you. And we have spent billions of dollars on a mission destined for failure. Now your problems are your problems and you must strive to solve them.

This is the greatest nation in the world, and we will defend her forever and ever.

BILL COFFEY  
Richfield

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# NATION & WORLD

## Churches, nonprofits fight for survival as oil spill cuts incomes

By Jay Reeves  
Associated Press writer

BAYOU LA BATRE, Ala. — God only knows what will happen to churches and other nonprofit organizations who say they are struggling for survival because of the Gulf oil spill crisis.

Months after the Deepwater Horizon rig exploded and its well started gushing oil, the British petroleum giant says it has yet to decide how to handle claims filed by religious groups and other charitable organizations that are endangered because people can no longer afford to contribute.

Pastor Dan Brown prays BP PLC comes up with a solution quickly: He said he filed a \$50,000 claim last month over lost revenues at Anchor Assembly of God. His small, storefront church outlived Hurricane Katrina and is now struggling because of the oil crisis.

Shrimpers and oystermen left jobless by the oil spill in this seafood town can barely afford to feed their families and pay their boat loans, much less give money to their church, Brown said. Giving and tithing is down by \$12,000 over the last few weeks, he said, and the oil spill will cost another \$38,000 in lost revenues over the next year, making up the total of the church's claim.

"You can't tithe what you don't have," said Brown, whose congregation operates a food bank and gives away bread each Sunday to help struggling families. "We're fighting for our lives just like a business."

So are environmental groups and community service agencies that have either begun feeling a drop in revenues or fear one as the oil crisis drags on.

Darryl Willis, head of claims for BP, said Tuesday he was unaware of any claims filed by churches or nonprofits, and he doesn't know how such a case will be handled.

More than 42,000 checks totaling \$130 million have been written to businesses and individuals, and BP

repeatedly has said it would pay any legitimate claim linked to losses caused by the massive oil spill. But Willis said nonprofits are a gray area.

"I get the impact, people not working or being on this sort of fixed income during this period," Willis said during an interview. "(But) I don't know what the answer is. I would test the system and let us work through that process."

Brown's church, which draws about 70 people to worship on a good Sunday, might just be that test case. The preacher said his church filed its claim with BP on June 18 and is still waiting on an answer.

Mobile Baykeeper, a secular nonprofit that monitors coastal conditions and water quality in Mobile Bay, may soon be in the same line.

Casi Callaway, executive director of the organization, said donations from outside the coastal region have covered the group's \$20,000 in expenses related to the oil spill so far. But membership renewals are way down, and she fears contributions will dry up once the oil spill crisis drops out of the headlines.

"Right now we're getting donations from all over the country, Canada, everywhere," said Callaway. "But we don't know about our 4,000 members and their financial condition. We're very worried about the long term, what it's going to look like."

Callaway said Mobile Baykeeper might file a claim soon, but the United Way of Baldwin County is waiting to see what happens during its fall fundraising campaign. The agency relies heavily on tourist-dependent businesses that are suffering because of a sharp drop in visitors. Executive director Rebecca Byrne is apprehensive.

The organization, which funds 43 community service agencies, raised \$1,038,750 last year but was still short of its \$1.1 million goal during the depths of the recession. This year could be even tougher, but Byrne is waiting to seek compensation from BP.



Pelicans sitting on an oil boom drink water from a marsh affected by the Deepwater Horizon oil spill, Saturday near Point Lydia on the coast of St. Bernard Parish, La. AP photo

## Oil spill takes the sparkle out of holiday weekend

By Bob Drogin  
Los Angeles Times

WEST SHIP ISLAND, Miss. — The sun was shining, the waves were inviting and the sand was soft, but Cassie Cox gazed forlornly Saturday at row upon row of unrented, still-furled beach umbrellas on what is usually the busiest holiday weekend of the year.

"This is the saddest thing I've ever seen," said Cox, who had rented only a dozen umbrellas to beachgoers all morning. "Last year at this time, we had more than 1,000 people here."

Long known as a jewel of the Gulf Islands National Seashore, this three-mile barrier island was pristine until three days ago. Now, oily ribbons, tarlike pellets and sludge patties are spoiling the sugar-sand beach, marking another victim of the BP oil spill. Cleanup crews have yet to arrive.

"The entire coastline of the island has oil on it," warned Patrick Hatcher, a National Park Service ranger who greets visitors from the ferry. "If you walk on the beach, you will get oil on you. If you swim in the ocean, you will get oil on you."

Similar warnings cast a grim pall over the July 4 weekend at near-empty resorts and beachfront communities from Florida to Louisiana. In some areas, tourist bureaus, rental agents, condo owners and other officials said vacation bookings were down 20 percent to 80 percent.

Some resorts have slashed prices, waived cancellation fees, organized free concerts and stepped up non-beach attractions, such as bayou tours or casinos. And the oil is fickle,



Workers help remove oil from a laughing gull, Saturday at the Mississippi Wildlife Response Center in Gulfport, Mississippi, on West Ship Island. Biloxi Sun-Herald/MCT photo

sully some areas and missing others.

On the beaches of Pensacola, in Florida's northern panhandle, local health officials issued a blanket warning against swimming in the warm Gulf waters — or even walking on the beach — because of tar balls in the surf.

In Gulfport, Miss., organizers shifted the annual Deep Sea Fishing Rodeo to freshwater ponds and bayous because federal officials put nearly all the offshore fishing areas off limits for anglers. Fishing is now banned along the entire Mississippi coastline.

Officials in Alabama canceled annual fireworks displays in Bayou La Batre and on Dauphin Island, where a once-popular beach has been converted into a staging area for oil cleanup crews.

In Westwego, La., families who operate a decades-old clutch of 21 roadside seafood stalls, worried that they may

not survive the summer.

"This is a ghost town," stall operator Ivis Fernandez, 43, said in frustration. "Usually we're so packed now that the police come to direct traffic. We're really struggling."

Only a handful of customers drove up all morning to buy the often still-squirmy bounty of the Gulf from coolers — shrimp, soft shell crabs, catfish, snapping turtle, alligator and more.

"A lot of people are scared," said Brandi Bryant, 37, who works at another stall. "They ask us all day long if there's oil or dispersant on the shrimp. I tell them the Board of Health comes here and we couldn't sell it if it was bad."

Seven of the stands, including Who-Dat Seafood and the Crab Shack, already have closed, at least for now.

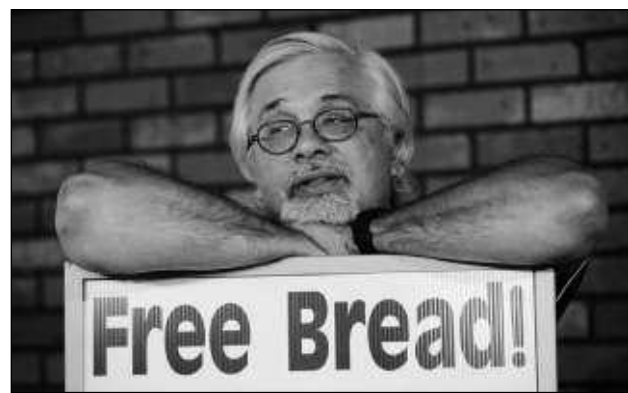
Not everyone is feeling the pain. Hotels in and around New Orleans were packed, and the rowdy bars on and

around Bourbon Street were jammed, as tens of thousands of convention-goers and vacationers poured into the Big Easy for the long weekend.

Motels along the oil-splashed coast are full of oil workers, boat crews, government officials and others involved in the cleanup. BP has hired thousands of local boats and fishermen for the operation, spending that will offset some of the hit to the region's economy.

Still, thousands of dive captains, souvenir shops, ice cream stands, bait-and-tackle shops and others are hurting this holiday weekend.

Only 80 people boarded the Capt. Pete, the ferry that carries passengers across the wave-tossed Mississippi Sound to West Ship Island, 11 miles offshore, early Saturday. The tiny, treeless island has a Civil War fort and cemetery, as well as nesting grounds for pelicans and other birds.



Pastor Dan Brown of the Anchor Assembly of God in Bayou La Batre, Ala., talks Wednesday about the claim that his church filed with BP for lost revenue caused by the Deepwater Horizon oil spill. AP photo

## Tour boat runs aground in Boston Harbor

BOSTON (AP) — A tour boat headed on a whale watch with 174 people on board was evacuated Saturday after it ran aground on a rocky ledge in Boston Harbor and began taking on water.

No one was seriously hurt in the accident, which was reported at about 10 a.m. off Deer Island. The Coast Guard said two people suffered back and knee injuries.

Authorities said a combination of Coast Guard vessels, local emergency vessels and nearby fishing boats helped evacuate the 87-foot vessel Massachusetts, and by early afternoon, everyone was safely off the boat. Passengers were taken to a pier in Hull, about 3 miles



Crews work to salvage the tour boat Massachusetts after it ran aground on a rocky ledge in Boston Harbor with 174 people on board and began taking on water, Saturday. AP photo

from the disabled boat, said Coast Guard Petty Officer Connie Terrell.

Meanwhile, workers on board the Massachusetts tried to pump out the sinking vessel, while divers

attempted to patch the gash in the hull, said Winthrop Deputy Harbormaster Chuck Evans, who was at the scene.

Evans said the boat's operators reported that they

collided with rocks at Devil's Back Ledge while traveling at about 18 knots. The boat was listing heavily toward its bow Saturday afternoon and its back end had lifted out of the water, he said.

"It's a pretty serious accident," Evans said. "Once it goes down, it would be a total loss, I believe. ... They're trying to save it."

Passengers described a loud noise and a sudden jolt that snapped the legs on plastic deck chairs and sent people sprawling.

"We were physically thrown forward," Maria Patane of Yonkers, N.Y., told The Boston Globe. "Kids were crying, people screaming. For a few seconds I thought we were going down."

## Man charged in collision near Statue of Liberty

NEW YORK (AP) — A New Jersey man was charged with vehicular manslaughter after a boat crash near the Statue of Liberty that killed a groom-to-be and injured two other men.

New York City police said 39-year-old Richard Aquilone of Jersey City, N.J., was out on the water Friday evening with his wife, their 2-year-old daughter and two sons, ages 2 and 3, when their 30-foot boat hit a smaller craft.

Police said Jijo Puthuvamkunnath, 30, of Bergenfield, N.J., and two friends were in the 17-foot boat anchored off Liberty Island that was struck by

Aquilone.

Puthuvamkunnath was taken to Jersey City Medical Center, where he was pronounced dead of head injuries. His two friends, both also 30, were treated for minor injuries.

No one on the larger boat was injured.

Aquilone was arrested on charges of vehicular manslaughter, operating a vessel under the influence of alcohol or drugs and endangering the welfare of a child.

He was arraigned on the charges Saturday. A spokeswoman for the Manhattan district attorney's office said Aquilone pleaded not guilty and bond was set at \$50,000.



AP photo

An artist's rendering of accused spies, from left, Vicky Pelaez, Richard Murphy, Cynthia Murphy and Juan Lazaro during their bail hearing Thursday in a Manhattan federal court.

## Spy arrests offer a bit of Cold War nostalgia

By Steven R. Hurst  
Associated Press writer

WASHINGTON — The capture of those alleged deep-cover Russian agents has — for a moment of nostalgia — taken Americans back to a day when their enemy was sneaky but familiar, ensconced right there behind the crenelated red-brick Kremlin walls.

Through the Cold War, the U.S. had adapted psychologically to those bad guys: misguided anti-capitalist Europeans who, nevertheless, sat in the United Nations, had diplomats in world capitals and even agreed now and again to cold-eyed summit meetings.

That enemy could not and did not flourish in the vastness of alien deserts or impenetrable hideaways in some of the world's most rugged and distant mountains.

The Soviets never sent suicide pilots to fly planes into landmark American skyscrapers.

Members of their dour Politburo weren't out to kill religious infidels. They believed in no god, their only religion the tangled theories of Marx and Lenin.

Thus, it was a balm of sorts in the week leading to U.S. Independence Day, the high holiday of American patriotism, to return to a time when government agents could roll up a band of alleged Russian spies — deep cover, sleeper agents who looked just like our neighbors, seemingly consumed with their inconspicuous suburban lives.

Bookstore shelves weighed down with yarns about the Cold War spy vs. spy contest bear witness to our fascination with that high-stakes game, how it was played and what led the players to take the chances they did.

This time, Anna Chapman, the spy suspect with a heavy presence on the Internet and New York party scene, quickly became a tabloid sensation with the obvious references to her as a James Bond girl.

Nostalgia aside, however, the situation becomes more complex when assessing the fallout of such a high-profile FBI sting, its potential to snarl years of diplomacy.

Was it just coincidence that the Russian agents were grabbed so soon after a largely warm and fuzzy visit

to Washington by Russian President Dmitry Medvedev?

Were the intelligence dangers — real or potential — of the undercover agents sufficient to move against them even at a cost to diplomatic progress fostered by President Barack Obama?

The White House has said Obama knew about the investigation but was not aware when arrests would be made.

Not surprisingly, both Obama and Russian leaders have said the case is only a hiccup in relations.

Obama is intent on a "reset" of the relations that had deteriorated under President George W. Bush. The Russians are equally intent on modernizing their economy and gaining technological parity, both goals heavily dependent on U.S. help.

Should the alleged spies have been arrested and hauled into court so publicly? Sometimes these affairs can be handled more quietly by simply throwing the spies out of the country, minimizing the impact on relations.

The FBI obviously hopes that continued questioning

of the alleged spies could turn up information that leads to more dangerous operations, but the evidence produced so far appears fairly mundane.

So what was the Kremlin hoping to gain?

The Russians actually reduced their espionage operations under the leadership of Boris Yeltsin in the first years after the collapse of the Soviet Union, the former senior official noted. The U.S. never did.

The Russian approach changed when Vladimir Putin — who had spent his career in the KGB — took over from the ailing Yeltsin. Russia now has renewed and strengthened his intelligence presence in the United States, with much greater focus on the commercial and technological world than on government secrets, the former official said.

The spy business now is less about the ideological fight for geographic spheres of influence.

The big prizes these days are secrets pried from board rooms and laboratories, the heavy weapons of expanded national economic reach in the global marketplace.

## NY spy suspect wants to stay, lawyer says

By Larry Neumeister  
Associated Press writer

NEW YORK — The Russian diplomat's daughter accused of being a spy is "embarrassed" by photos of her that have turned up in media reports and fears she will be deported, her lawyer said.

Attorney Robert Baum told The Associated Press that he showed Anna Chapman, 28, some of the tabloid newspaper stories that have branded the redhead as a femme fatale and feature photographs from her Facebook page, showing the smiling Russian enjoying Manhattan's nightlife scene, posing in front of the Statue of Liberty and mixing with businessmen at a conference.

"She was embarrassed by some of the photos that were obviously taken from her Facebook pages," the lawyer said. "The truth is she probably no different than your typical single 28-year-old woman in New York City. She runs a successful business, goes out at night. She dates men, enjoys a social life."

Chapman is charged with conspiring to act as an unregistered agent of a foreign government, which carries a potential penalty of five years in prison. She was the first of 10 spy suspects arrested over the weekend in the United States to be denied bail.

Baum said Chapman's father told her to go to police with a fake passport an undercover FBI agent had given to her, leading to her arrest and solitary confinement.

He said he may use that information to appeal the bail decision.

At a bail hearing Monday, Assistant U.S. Attorney Michael Farbiarz said only that investigators on June 27 intercepted phone calls in which Chapman was "talking to a man who is advising her, who is telling her essentially ... to make up a story, to say that she's being intimidated, that this might be some other criminal activity, and who advises her to get out of the country and to go to the police."

Baum said he believed

the phone calls cited by prosecutors were conversations between Chapman and her father, whom Baum described as a low-level embassy employee whose family was middle class.

Baum said Chapman told him she reached out to her father, Vasily Kushchenko, a day after an FBI agent posing as a Russian consulate employee asked her to deliver a fraudulent passport to another woman working as a spy.

"She spoke to her father, and her father said, 'Go turn the passport in,'" Baum said. "Her father said, 'You've got this passport. It's forged. Go turn it into the police; and that's exactly what she did.'"

Yusill Scribner, a spokeswoman for federal prosecutors in Manhattan, declined to comment on Baum's comments.

Baum discounted published reports Friday quoting Chapman's ex-husband as saying her father is a spy.

"I won't go into the circumstances of divorce, but he may be somewhat bitter about it," Baum said.

Baum said he has spent several hours with his client over two nights this week, finding her "very frightened."

He said she was kept isolated in a cell in the Metropolitan Detention Center in Brooklyn. He said she is allowed one hour a day of exercise, the only time she is allowed to be with another inmate.

Otherwise, she is given no access to phones, television or newspapers, Baum said.

"I can't tell you why, whether it's because of the nature of the charges or whether she's in some type of protective custody," he said. "In some respects, it's a good thing that she's alone because she's frightened about being with other inmates."

Baum said another defendant, Cynthia Murphy, also is being held in isolation.

Prison spokesman James Davis said he couldn't comment on any inmate's housing out of security concerns.

## Court orders new hearing for detainee



AP file photo

Anela Belkacem, wife of deported Algerian Belkacem Bensayah, holds papers she says show her husband's innocence and carries a banner saying 'Prove their guilt,' in January 2002 in Sarajevo.

WASHINGTON (AP) — A U.S. appeals court says an Algerian protesting his Guantanamo detention deserves a new lower court review — to determine whether he was part of al-Qaida, not just a supporter.

A three-judge panel of the District of Columbia Circuit reversed a lower court decision that Belkacem Bensayah's imprisonment was legal.

"The evidence upon which the district court relied, in concluding Bensayah supported al-Qaida is insufficient ... to show he was part of that organization," U.S. Circuit Judge Douglas Ginsburg wrote.

He said the lower court

needs to determine whether Bensayah "was functionally part of al-Qaida."

A U.S. district judge found that the government sufficiently presented classified evidence from an unnamed source that Bensayah was a substantial al-Qaida supporter.

Ginsburg questioned that evidence. And he further said the lower court "did not go on to consider whether he was a 'member' of al-Qaida or whether his detention was lawful on the alternative ground that he was 'part of' that organization."

The case was decided June 28 and released Friday with several classified portions blacked out.

Dozens of terror suspects have argued for their freedom from imprisonment at the U.S. naval base in Cuba where terrorism suspects are held. The Supreme Court has ruled the prisoners have a right to their day in court.

Bensayah was arrested by Bosnian police on immigration charges in late 2001. He was later told that he and five other Algerian men were suspected of plotting to attack the United States Embassy in Sarajevo.

When a Bosnian investigation failed to uncover sufficient evidence of the plot, the men were turned over to the United States and transported to Guantanamo in January 2002.



AP file photo

This undated file image taken from the Russian social networking website 'Odnoklassniki,' or Classmates, shows Anna Chapman, an alleged deep-cover Russian agent.

This undated image shows a diesel electric-powered submarine that was built in a remote jungle and captured near the Ecuador-Colombia border before it could make its maiden voyage.



Ecuadorian National Police/DEA/AP photo

## Officials capture drug-smuggling sub

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Drug Enforcement Administration said Saturday it has helped seize a submarine capable of transporting tons of cocaine.

DEA officials said that the diesel electric-powered submarine was constructed in a remote jungle and captured near a tributary close to the Ecuador-Colombia border. Ecuadorian authorities seized the sub before it could make its maiden voyage.

The sophisticated camouflaged vessel has a conning tower, periscope and air-conditioning system. It measured about nine-foot-high from the deck plates to the ceiling and stretched nearly a 100 feet long. The DEA says it was built for trans-oceanic drug trafficking.

One person has been taken into custody. DEA Andean Regional Director Jay Bergman said the sub's nautical and payload capacity is a serious development.

Colombia's drug cartels have been known to use home-built submarines to smuggle large amounts of cocaine past U.S. and Colombian patrol boats to Central America en route to the United States.

Colombian authorities have discovered these vessels from time to time in recent years.

In August 2007, U.S. forces intercepted a submarine-like vessel packed with tons of cocaine off the coast of Guatemala.

# Sororities' antics spur crackdown at Ohio college

By Lisa Cornwell  
Associated Press writer

OXFORD, Ohio — Sorority spring formals call up visions of young women in colorful dresses dancing the night away — not vomiting on tables, urinating in sinks or having sex in closets.

The drunken shenanigans of three sororities at Miami University in southwest Ohio sound like something out of "Animal House" and were especially startling for a school that frequently makes the top 50 in a U.S. News & World Report academic ranking but never

makes lists of big-time party schools.

The school suspended two of the sororities and put the third on probation. A task force is reviewing discipline and education policies on student behavior and alcohol, and the campus group governing sororities says it will begin teaching new members to speak out when they witness bad behavior.

There is little evidence excessive alcohol consumption is any worse at Miami than other colleges, but students are worried the antics will damage the school's reputation.

"It's embarrassing," said

Christina Zielke, 21, a senior from Cleveland, who doesn't belong to a sorority. "This kind of thing gives a bad name not just to the Greek system but to the university and students like me who aren't in the system."

Students also are worried the debauchery could even devalue a Miami diploma, said Heath Ingram, student government president.

"They're angry about the actions of a few damaging Miami's reputation and the effect that might have on getting into the best graduate programs and job opportunities," he said.

The three sororities'

spring formals took place over the span of about a month.

On March 26, Alpha Xi Delta sisters and their dates vomited, dropped drinks on the dance floor and tried to steal booze at the National Underground Railroad Freedom Center in Cincinnati, center officials reported. One male even tried to urinate on the center's Slave Pen, a slave-holding pen reclaimed from a Kentucky farm, the officials said.

Two weeks later at the Pi Beta Phi formal, staff at Lake Lyndsay Lodge in nearby Hamilton found a couple

having sex in a closet and two girls "repeatedly trying to urinate into the sinks on the bathroom counter," the lodge said in a complaint letter to the school. It complained of students vomiting, flipping over an appetizer table and of being so drunk they couldn't walk.

On April 23, about 30 students on the way home from a Zeta Tau Alpha formal trashed a bus and harassed and shouted obscenities at the driver, who tossed them off, the transportation company said. The company had to send another bus.

Miami suspended Alpha Xi Delta and Pi Beta Phi and

put Zeta Tau Alpha on probation.

Zeta Tau Alpha's Miami chapter president, Meghan Hughes, said in an e-mail to The Associated Press that "while a small percentage of our members behaved inappropriately, we all take responsibility." Other members or officers of the local chapters did not respond to requests for comment.

National leaders of the sororities supported the school's discipline and put their chapters on probation, though some noted that members told them some of the claims were exaggerated.

## New U.S. satellite to monitor debris in Earth orbit

By Dan Elliott  
Associated Press writer

DENVER — A new U.S. Air Force satellite will provide the first full-time, space-based surveillance of hundreds of satellites and thousands of pieces of debris that could crash into American and allied assets circling the Earth.

If all goes as planned, the Space-Based Space Surveillance satellite, scheduled for a July 8 launch from Vandenberg Air Force Base, Calif., will have an unobstructed, around-the-clock view of the increasingly heavy traffic in Earth orbit — something the Air Force doesn't have now.

Currently, the Air Force relies on a ground-based network of radar and optical telescopes around the globe to monitor about 1,000 active satellites and 20,000 pieces of debris. The telescopes can be used only on clear nights, and not all radar stations are powerful enough to detect satellites in deep space orbit, about 22,000 miles from Earth.

From its orbit about 390 miles above the Earth, the new satellite will have a clear view of deep space, unaffected by daylight or weather.

"It really has tremendous capabilities," said Todd Citron, director of advanced space and intelligence systems for Boeing Co., prime contractor for the satellite, known as SBSS.

Citron said SBSS will revolutionize "space situational awareness," the military term for knowing not only where the objects are, but where they're headed and what might be in their path.

An Air Force official was more cautious.

"We do know that the sensor is going to provide a lot of capability," said Col. J.R. Jordan, mission director

for the SBSS launch and vice commander of the Air Force Space Superiority Systems Wing. "We haven't really come up with broad statements" about how much SBSS is expected to improve monitoring, Jordan said.

SBSS was built by Ball Aerospace & Technologies Corp. in Boulder, Colo., working with Boeing. It carries an optical camera on a swivel mount, so the camera's view can be changed without burning fuel to move the satellite, and will concentrate on satellites and debris in deep space. It will beam information to ground stations.

A command center at Schriever Air Force Base, Colo., will oversee day-to-day operations of SBSS in orbit. The SBSS system, including ground-control facilities, cost \$500 million.

It is the first satellite dedicated solely to space situational awareness, Jordan said. The Air Force space surveillance network previously had partial use of a satellite called the Midcourse Space Experiment, which was designed to track missiles but could also monitor objects in orbit. It's no longer functioning.

Millions of pieces of space debris are orbiting the Earth, from tiny pellets of escaped coolant to spent rocket stages and dead satellites, said Brian Weeden, a former Air Force space operations officer who is now the technical adviser for the Secure World Foundation, a Colorado think tank and advocacy group that focuses on the use of space.

The Air Force monitors objects that are about 4 inches across, big enough to destroy a satellite or a module of the International Space Station with a direct hit, Weeden said.



The caskets of Tampa Police Officers David Curtis and Jeffrey Kocab are brought out of the church after the service at the Idlewild Baptist Church in Lutz, Fla., Saturday. A convicted felon accused of killing the two Tampa police officers during a traffic stop surrendered on Friday.

AP photo

## Two slain Florida cops mourned

By Tamara Lush  
Associated Press writer

TAMPA, Fla. — Two police officers gunned down during a traffic stop were remembered Saturday as family men devoted to protecting the public, while the convicted felon accused of killing them was ordered to remain in jail the day after he surrendered.

Dontae Rashawn Morris, 24, was denied bail at his first court appearance Saturday on two counts of first-degree murder in the shooting deaths of officers David Curtis and Jeffrey Kocab early Tuesday.

Morris turned himself in at a police station about 10:30 p.m. Friday after detectives spent more than 30 hours negotiating with an associate of his. His surrender ended an intense manhunt in which hundreds of officers in tactical gear combed apartment buildings, vacant homes and even waterways. Detectives fielded more than 400 tips.

Hundreds attended a funeral for Curtis and Kocab on Saturday morning at the Idlewild Baptist Church in Lutz. The church's pastor, Ken Whitten, opened the service.

"We wanted to have a place where we could come under one roof as a city and a family and as friends to mourn, to grieve, to cry," Whitten said. "Maybe even to laugh, and to honor those who paid the ultimate sacrifice for us this day."

Tampa police Officer Dave Michelson said Curtis was a loving father, devoted husband and proud police officer.

"When Dave wasn't working, he was racing home to be with his family," Michelson said.

"To him, being a police officer was personal. It wasn't a job — it was a calling."

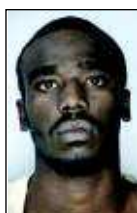
Charlie Helm, a Plant City police officer, said Kocab didn't quit working when the shift was over.

"In his free time, he nearly cleaned out a whole apartment complex of crime," Helm said.

It was about 2:15 a.m. Tuesday when Curtis pulled over a man and woman in a red Toyota Camry. He called for backup after seeing the man was wanted in Jacksonville for writing a bad check. Six minutes after Curtis and Kocab approached the car's passenger side, a witness called 911 to report they were shot. The

officers were pronounced dead at a hospital.

At the hearing Saturday, Assistant Public Defender Charles Traina said his office has a conflict of interest in representing Morris because it represents Cortnee Brantley, and not reporting it. A mes-



Morris

who also faces charges in the case. Another attorney will be appointed for Morris.

Brantley, the car's driver, was charged Friday with a federal count of witnessing a felony

sage left seeking comment on Brantley's charges wasn't immediately returned by the public defender's office.

Police said Morris also was suspected in two other slayings, and by early Saturday he faced a third murder charge in the May 18 shooting death of a man killed outside his family's Tampa apartment.



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Technicians work on the Space-Based Space Surveillance satellite in Boulder, Colo., in 2009.

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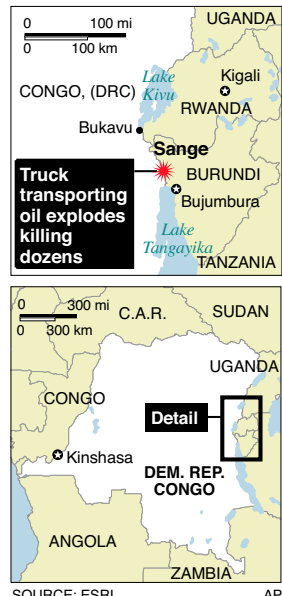
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# At least 220 dead in oil explosion in Congo



SANGE, Congo (AP) — A tanker truck hauling fuel on a rural eastern Congo highway overturned, gushing oil and exploding in a massive fireball that killed about 220 bystanders, including many who had been watching the World Cup in flimsy roadside shacks, officials and witnesses said Saturday.

The Red Cross said at least 61 children and 36 women were among the dead. Witnesses said dozens of people had descended on the truck to siphon fuel illegally from the wreckage with jerry-cans and plastic buckets, apparently unaware of the danger.

U.N. peacekeepers rushed to evacuate more than 200 wounded from the scene by helicopter and ambulance, while Red Cross teams carried the charred bodies from the scene in body bags and buried them in two mass graves a few miles away.

The truck overturned as it was trying to pass a minibus late Friday near the village of Sange, around 20 miles north of Uvira, a town on the northern tip of Lake Tanganyika near the Burundi border, said Mana Lungwe, manager of the Congolese oil company that owns the truck. The vehicle began gushing oil, then burst

into flames an hour later.

Lungwe said the driver was injured in the accident and taken to a local clinic before the blast occurred. Sange is located between Uvira and the Congolese provincial capital, Bukavu, further to the north.

As oil began leaking from the damaged tanker, Pakistani peacekeepers from a nearby U.N. base "came and told people to get away from the area, but people refused to leave," said Bedide Mwasha, a 45-year-old resident.

"Men, women and children, even (government) soldiers were stealing

petrol," Mwasha said, adding that when night fell, one woman lit a kerosene lamp that may have ignited the blaze.

In Sange on Saturday, the remains of the white tanker's blackened carcass lay tipped on its side, its tires burnt off, one small flame still leaping from the outside of the wrecked fuel container. Along the side of the road a few yards away, the remains of three wood and brick shacks smoldered where hundreds of people had gathered to watch the World Cup. The explosion took place in between matches, as people were

watching television and milling outside.

Congolese Red Cross workers wearing masks over their faces to ward off the stench of smoldering flesh carried corpses away on stretchers.

"It was so terrible, we lost so many family and friends," said Umoja Ruzibira, 25, who was about 100 yards away when he heard a huge explosion and saw a fireball engulf thatch huts in a 20-yard radius. A teeming market nearby had also been reduced to ashes. "There were so many men, women and children around when it happened," Ruzibira said.

## Biden pays surprise visit to Iraq amid political impasse

By Leila Fadel  
The Washington Post

BAGHDAD — Vice President Joe Biden made a surprise visit to Baghdad on Saturday for the Fourth of July holiday in the midst of a political deadlock nearly four months after Iraq's national election.

Biden arrived at a time when many question whether the U.S. policy in Iraq is adrift. They say they worry that with a shift of attention toward America's other war, Afghanistan, and so much attention on the planned drawdown and ultimate withdrawal of U.S. troops, the United States is focused only on its exit and not the success of a still very shaky democracy in Iraq.

This was Biden's fourth trip to Iraq as vice president. President Obama has visited once since he became commander in chief.

"A distant policy in this country is deemed as a weakness and also deemed as a failure," said Fawzi Hariri, Iraq's minister of industry. "It gives the wrong message to Syria and Iran, and it will give the wrong message to the Taliban."

Biden's visit may be a signal to Iraq that the U.S. administration is still engaged here. A White House statement said Biden would celebrate the holiday with the troops, "reaffirm" the U.S. "long-term commitment" to Iraq and discuss recent developments.

Biden and his wife, Jill Biden, were greeted by U.S. Ambassador Christopher Hill, Gen. Ray Odierno, the top U.S. military commander in Iraq, Iraq's Foreign Minister Hoshiyar Zebari and two other senior military commanders. Sens. John McCain, R-Ariz., Joseph I. Lieberman, I-Conn., and Lindsey Graham, R-S.C., were also in Iraq on an unre-

lated trip; they greeted the vice president later, before he went into meetings.

At Odierno's residence, where Biden met with Hill and the general, Biden said he was "optimistic" about the formation of the Iraqi government.

"In one sense, it looks the most difficult putting the government together. In another sense, this is local politics. This is not a lot different than any other government," Biden told a group of journalists. "The parties are all talking. ... I remain, as I have from the beginning, extremely optimistic about the government being formed here, that it will be representative, represent all the major parties. What that will be, I can't tell you, but I'm just optimistic about it."

Today, Biden will meet with former prime minister Ayad Allawi and Prime Minister Nouri al-Maliki, who are both vying for Iraq's top job. Each will have an hour with the vice president.

Allawi's Iraqiya bloc won a plurality, with a razor-thin lead over Maliki's political bloc in the March election. Some say the two are nearing a deal that could break the deadlock. But others say that without more U.S. pressure, neither may compromise enough.

On Monday, Biden will meet with Iraq's president, Jalal Talabani, and the head of the religious Shiite party, the Islamic Supreme Council of Iraq.

Biden's last visit was widely criticized. He arrived after a series of Sunni and secular candidates were barred from running in the election for supposed links to Saddam Hussein's outlawed Baath party. He left without helping to solve what was seen as a political crisis that deepened sectarian tensions, officials said at the time.



Gen. David Petraeus, the new commander of U.S. and NATO forces in Afghanistan, second from left, jokes with the U.S. Marines honor guard at the Independence Day celebrations in Kabul, Afghanistan, on Saturday.

AP photo

## Petraeus arrives in Afghanistan, says U.S. civilian-military team must mesh

By Deb Riechmann  
Associated Press writer

KABUL, Afghanistan — America's top diplomat in Kabul jokingly handed NATO's new commander Gen. David Petraeus an access badge to the U.S. Embassy on Saturday, a symbolic gesture of a new partnership in the troubled U.S. management of the Afghan war.

The smiles and declarations of synergy came as Petraeus prepared to formally assume command on Sunday of a 130,000-strong international force at a time of rising casualties and growing doubt about how much can be achieved before July 2011 when President Barack Obama wants to begin withdrawing U.S. troops.

Petraeus called for troops and civilian staff employees to work together, saying: "In this important endeavor, cooperation is not optional."

His predecessor, Gen. Stanley McChrystal, was fired last month for intemperate remarks that he and his aides made to Rolling Stone magazine about Obama administration officials, mostly on the civilian side.

"Civilian and military, Afghanistan and international, we are part of one team with one mission," Petraeus told about 1,700 invited guests, including Afghan government and military and police officials gathered at the U.S. Embassy for a pre-Fourth of July celebration marking American independence.

They were Petraeus' first public comments since he arrived Friday night to take command of U.S. and NATO forces in Afghanistan. He said he would work to improve

coordination between troops on the battlefield and civilians trying to bolster the Afghan government and improve the lives of the people.

His message to the Afghans in the audience: "Your success is our success."

Petraeus, widely credited with turning around the U.S. war effort in Iraq, faces rising violence and growing doubts in Washington and other allied capitals about the effectiveness of the counterinsurgency strategy, which the general himself pioneered.

June was the deadliest month for the allied force since the war began in October 2001 with 102 deaths, more than half of them Americans. Britain's Ministry of Defense reported that a Royal Marine was killed on Thursday in southern Afghanistan — the fifth international service member killed this month.

Later, Petraeus met with Afghan President Hamid Karzai. Corruption was one of the issues the two discussed, according to a statement issued by the presidential palace. Karzai used the meeting to complain about what he said were "baseless" allegations made by U.S. Rep. Nita Lowey, a Democrat from New York, who suggested that Afghan government officials had misused or pocketed donor funds, Karzai's office said.

Karzai asked Petraeus to review international contracts for private security companies to help keep money from flowing out of the country. According to the statement, Petraeus told the president that he would begin his job by emphasizing "unity, accountability and transparency."



AP photo

U.S. Vice President Joe Biden, right, Gen. Ray Odierno, the top U.S. military commander in Iraq, center, and U.S. Ambassador to Iraq Christopher Hill confer at the embassy in Baghdad, Iraq, Saturday.

## Colombia cops find World Cup — made of cocaine

BOGOTA, Colombia (AP) — Fans worldwide have fashioned replicas of the World Cup trophy out of everything from papier-mache to plastic. But a lawbreaker in Colombia gets top prize for most original material: cocaine.

Airports anti-drug chief Col. Jose Piedrahita says that Colombian authorities found the unusual statue during a routine security check by

anti-drug agents Friday in a mail warehouse at Bogota's international airport.

The 14-inch-high statue was inside a box headed for Madrid, Spain. The statue was painted gold with green stripes on the base.

Piedrahita said Saturday that laboratory tests confirmed the cup was made of 24 pounds of cocaine mixed with acetone or gasoline to make it moldable.

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Ciudad Juarez mayoral candidate Hector 'Teto' Murguia, right, poses at a campaign rally with the candidate for Chihuahua state governor.

# In 'Murder City' and beyond, fear seizes Mexican elections

By William Booth  
The Washington Post

CIUDAD JUAREZ, Mexico — To meet with Hector "Teto" Murguia, the leading candidate for mayor of the city dubbed the deadliest in the world, a visitor parks at Murguia's paint factory, watched over by bodyguards with automatic rifles, then passes through three sets of steel vault doors into a windowless office.

"Welcome to the Bunker," his press secretary says.

Elections in 12 Mexican states today are taking place across a tense landscape of escalating violence and widespread fear that drug cartels are burrowing ever deeper into Mexico's politics, using corruption, intimidation and murder.

Murguia said, "I fear only God." But he also said he's not an idiot. "The security is for my family." He declined to reveal how many children he has.

On Wednesday, authorities discovered a headless corpse nailed to a tree near his home.

The 57-year-old candidate is a tough old-school politician, pugnacious with the press and popular among the city's poor, who likes to kiss babies and give away bags of cement. He is a wealthy businessman — a land developer and factory owner — from a prominent family. He served as mayor from 2004 to 2007.

His chief of police, who was a friend and business partner, was arrested shortly after Murguia's term ended for smuggling more than 900 pounds of marijuana across a bridge into neighboring El Paso.

Voters in today's election are being asked: Is Murguia linked to the drug-smuggling mafias that have turned Ciudad Juarez into "Murder City," where warring gangs of street corner thugs and professional contract killers routinely execute a dozen people a day?

Murguia's main opponent, Cesar Jauregui, a baby-faced 43-year-old lawyer and life-long political operative, said the former mayor is dirty and, at the very least, has ties to organized crime.

Billboards put up around the city by the Jauregui campaign shout: "Reject the criminals — no more narco-politicians!"

On Monday morning, as Jauregui was stumping in downtown Juarez, shaking hands with drivers stopped at traffic lights, his cellphone rang with the news that Rodolfo Torre Cantu, the front-runner for governor of the border state of Tamaulipas, had been assassinated minutes earlier by

armed commandos. Cantu's brother is now running in his place.

"We are competing against people with a very bad history," said Jauregui's wife, Angelica Morena, who was passing out campaign fliers. "They are people who associate with very bad people. So I'm afraid for him because I don't want anything to happen to him."

Jauregui said he does not surround himself with bodyguards because he is an honest man with no criminal ties. "Look at what just happened in Tamaulipas," he said. "If they want my head, they will get it."

Across Mexico, small-town politicians and big city mayors are increasingly targeted, for assassination or arrest.

In May, Gregorio Sanchez, the mayor of Cancun, who is running for governor of the Caribbean state of Quintana Roo, was arrested and charged with assisting two drug-smuggling organizations, including the Zetas, who authorities say killed the mayor's own security chief last year. Sanchez is continuing his campaign from his prison cell.

Two weeks ago, Manuel Lara Rodriguez, the popular mayor of a farm town near Ciudad Juarez, who had denounced the cartels and the violence, was gunned down in front of his family. No one is running in his place.

The outgoing mayor of Ciudad Juarez, Jose Reyes Ferriz, recently told *The Washington Post* that he has received at least four credible death threats. He sleeps each night at a second home he maintains in El Paso.

In Ciudad Juarez, Murguia is running under the banner of the Institutional Revolutionary Party (PRI), which governed Mexico for most of the 20th century with a gloved fist of crony capitalism, political patronage and rigged elections, until it was successfully challenged — first here in Juarez and the state of Chihuahua — by the

National Action Party (PAN), which nominated Jauregui to run.

The challenges facing the new mayor of Ciudad Juarez are known to many, including the U.S. State Department, which plans to pour money into the city as part of an anti-drug program called the Merida Initiative. Last month, 303 people were killed in this city, which earned the title of most dangerous for its murders and other violent crimes, according to the Mexican advocacy group Citizen's Council for Public Security and Penal Justice. More than

5,300 have died since President Felipe Calderon sent 10,000 federal police and army soldiers to control the city in 2008.

Juarez is falling apart. Years of neglect have left streets mined with potholes. The parks are ruins, the playing fields nothing but weeds, the once lively cantinas shuttered. There are few schools on the poor side of town, where barrios of cement-block houses have been abandoned by fleeing residents, who either went home to their villages or crossed illegally into the United States.

# Nigeria: Pirates take 12 foreign sailors

LAGOS, Nigeria (AP) — Pirates kidnapped 12 foreign sailors off the coast of Nigeria's restive and oil-rich southern delta during an attack that left one crew member injured, a naval spokesman said Saturday.

Commodore David Nabaida told The Associated Press that pirates boarded the German-flagged cargo ship BBC Palonia Friday night off the coast of the Niger Delta near the Bonny River fairway. A struggle broke out during the attack and pirates shot one crew member in the leg during the fight, Nabaida said.

Nabaida said the Nigerian navy escorted the ship to safe waters and transported the wounded Ukrainian sailor to a local hospital. The sailor was in stable condition Saturday afternoon, he said.

"All efforts are being made to ... rescue the kidnapped crew," the commodore said.

Nabaida said the navy had suspects in mind for the attack, but declined to offer further details. He said the crew consisted of

sailors from Germany, Latvia, Lithuania, Russia and Ukraine.

The attack comes after 12 pirates in speed boats attacked a bulk carrier in the same area June 27. The International Maritime Bureau, which tracks piracy worldwide, reported that the pirates shot at crew members with locally made firearms while trying to board the ship. Crew members repelled the attack using a slingshot, the bureau said. One sailor suffered a minor injuries during the assault.

Such attacks have been common in the Niger Delta, a region of swamps, mangrove fields and creeks almost the size of South Carolina. Militants have kidnapped oil workers, bombed crude pipelines and fought with government troops since an insurrection began there in 2006. While a government-sponsored amnesty deal has slowed violence in recent months, analysts worry the program has begun to fray as weapons remain plentiful in the impoverished region.

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Roza Otunbayeva holds the standard of the president of Kyrgyzstan during her inauguration Saturday in Bishkek, Kyrgyzstan, ushering in what the Central Asian nation's government hopes will be a new era of stability and democratic freedoms. AP photo

## After months of violence, instability, Kyrgyzstan swears in new president

By Peter Leonard  
Associated Press writer

BISHKEK, Kyrgyzstan — Kyrgyzstan's provisional leader Roza Otunbayeva was sworn in as president Saturday, ushering in what the turbulent Central Asian nation's government hopes will be a new era of stability and democratic freedoms.

Speaking after her inauguration, Otunbayeva, 59, hailed what she described as a momentous new era for Kyrgyzstan, which has endured months of political and ethnic violence since former President Kurmanbek Bakiyev was deposed in a bloody uprising in April amid widespread anger over falling living standards and rampant corruption.

"In Kyrgyzstan, democracy is a system that has deep roots in the souls of the people," Otunbayeva told an audience of top government officials, diplomats and politicians.

Over the course of her tenure as caretaker president, which lasts through to the end of 2011, Otunbayeva will oversee the implementation of a newly adopted constitution. The new founding law dilutes presidential powers in favor of a European-style parliamentary system and has raised hopes Kyrgyzstan could become former Soviet Central Asia's first true democracy.

"As president, I will spare no effort in creating a new political culture based on strict adherence to the rule of law," Otunbayeva said in a speech interrupted periodically by bouts of rhythmic clapping from the audience.

But before addressing some of her loftier ambitions, Otunbayeva will need to deal with the aftermath of ethnic clashes between majority ethnic Kyrgyz and the Uzbek minority last month, which left much of the southern city of Osh, Kyrgyzstan's second-

largest, a smoldering ruin.

"I promise that before the onset of cold weather, the Kyrgyz government will provide housing for all who lost the roofs over their head," she said.

The official death toll from the violence that tore apart Osh and nearby Jalal-Abad currently stands at around 300, although Otunbayeva has said as many as 2,000 people may have died in the rioting. Most of the unrest involved mobs of ethnic Kyrgyz trashing and setting fire to ethnic Uzbek neighborhoods, and some 400,000 people were displaced.

Despite expressing her sorrow for the events, Otunbayeva has consistently stopped short of addressing the ethnic roots of the problems and the intercommunal tensions still plaguing the south.

Before the inauguration, there had been some fears of a violent disruption, but the

ceremony proceeded without event. Security was relatively light and in a park by the Philharmonic Hall where the swearing-in took place, policemen lounged under trees on unfurled bulletproof vests, seeking respite from the sweltering heat.

Streets in the capital, Bishkek, set against a crystal clear backdrop of soaring snow-peaked mountains, were largely empty and silent ahead of the ceremony as swathes of the city were closed off to traffic.

Otunbayeva's inauguration as president marks a vital turning point for the interim government, which has been systemically weakened by a perceived lack of political legitimacy.

In a national referendum last week, more than 90 percent of voters approved keeping her on as caretaker president and gave their support to the revamped constitution.

## In Poland, Clinton pledges help for citizens groups

By Mary Beth Sheridan  
The Washington Post

KRAKOW, Poland — Secretary of State Hillary Rodham Clinton expressed alarm Saturday about what she called a growing crackdown on citizens groups around the world and announced a fund to help them fight back.

In what aides called her most important speech in a four-day swing through former Soviet-bloc countries, Clinton said the repression symbolized by the Iron Curtain had given way to government pressures that were often more subtle.

"We must be wary of the steel vise in which many governments around the world are slowly crushing civil society and the human spirit," Clinton told an international meeting of democracies.

In her speech, Clinton bluntly accused U.S. adversaries such as Cuba, North Korea and Iran of pressuring or outlawing civil-society groups. But she also chided Russia and China, with whom the Obama administration has sought to build closer ties.

Critics have accused the administration of abandoning President George W. Bush's emphasis on democracy. Administration officials deny that, saying they are redefining a democracy policy that had become discredited by such actions as the invasion of Iraq.

Clinton has emphasized that the Obama administration's approach goes beyond pressing for free elections to finding ways to build up democratic institutions and public interest groups that fight corruption and promote environmental causes, women's rights and other goals.

Speaking at the Slowacki Theater, a 19th-century



Secretary of State Hillary Rodham Clinton delivers remarks at the Schindler Factory Museum in Krakow, Poland, Saturday. AP photo

confection of gilt and pink cherubs in downtown Krakow, Clinton held out Poland as a model of democratic and free-market transformation.

The country is scheduled to hold elections Sunday to replace President Lech Kaczynski, who died with his wife and 94 senior officials in a plane crash in April.

"It is a tribute to Poland's political evolution that in the aftermath of that accident, the country's institutions never faltered," Clinton said.

If Poland has been a democratic success story, though, many other former members of the Soviet bloc have not. Of the 12 non-Baltic former Soviet republics, eight are consolidated authoritarian regimes, according to a report released last month by Freedom House.

"Two decades after the collapse of communism, the rulers of these countries are again using brutal security forces, pliant courts and tightly controlled news media to systematically crush political dissent," according to the independent watchdog group.

## Russian solves 'Everest of math problems' — then turns down million-dollar prize

By Marc Kaufman  
The Washington Post

Who would turn down a \$1 million prize for solving a math problem?

Perhaps the smartest man in the world.

Three months ago, a famously impoverished Russian mathematician named Grigori Perelman was awarded the prestigious \$1 million Clay Mathematics Institute Millennium Prize for his groundbreaking work — having solved a problem of three-dimensional geometry that had resisted scores of brilliant mathematicians since 1904.

Thursday, the institute announced that Perelman, known equally for his brilliance and his eccentricities, formally and finally turned down the award and the money. He didn't deserve it, he told a Russian news service, because he was following a mathematical path set by another.

The president of the Clay Institute, James Carlson, said that Perelman was a mathematician of "extraordinary power and creativity" and that it was he alone who solved the intractable Poincare's conjecture. "All mathematicians follow the work of others, but only a handful make breakthroughs of this magnitude," Carlson said.

Still, while he had been hopeful that Perelman would take the prize, he was hardly surprised that he did not. Perelman had already turned down several of the world's top awards in mathematics. And when he solved the Poincare conjecture, he ignored the peer-review process and simply posted his three-part solution online. That was in 2003.

It took other mathematicians two years to determine that he had indeed solved the problem.

"The community knew about Perelman, and that's why they took him seriously," Carlson said. "But what he did is definitely not the way things are normally done."

Immediately after his postings, Perelman was invited to lecture at several top American universities, and did so with aplomb. Speaking in fluent English, he wowed his math colleagues and, after returning to Russia, continued to communicate via e-mail with some about his work. Within several years, however, he stopped responding and left the math world, Carlson said.

"I went to St. Petersburg almost two years ago and I did get him on the phone," Carlson said. "I told him I'd like to meet, but he said it 'wasn't necessary at this time.'"

Perelman lives in a barebones apartment in St. Petersburg with his elderly mother; a poor and reclusive man with long, wild hair and, in his photos, a look of fierce pride. Carlson said that when he spoke with Perelman, the man had quit his research and teaching job at Russia's top institute and did not appear to have other employment.

The Poincare conjecture, named after prominent French mathematician Henri Poincare, involves a complex problem in the field of topology — an important area of math that studies the enduring properties of objects that are stretched or otherwise deformed, but not torn or otherwise reconstituted. Scores of prominent mathe-

maticians tried to solve it over decades but failed, leading to its characterization as the Mount Everest of math.

The \$1 million prize was to be the first of seven Millennium awards given out by the Cambridge, Mass.-based Clay Institute to mathematicians who master long-unsolved problems. The program was established in 2000 and an award will only be made if one of the seven selected math problems is resolved.

Perelman, 43, did not show up for the early June ceremony in Paris where his prize was to be awarded. Author Masha Gessen, who wrote a book about Perelman, told the prize committee earlier this year that Perelman would not attend the Paris event, but said he had not decided whether to accept the prize money.

The Poincare conjecture was updated over the years and one of its modifiers, William Thurston, said at the ceremony in Paris that "Perelman's aversion to pub-

lic spectacle and to riches is mystifying to many. I have not talked to him about it and I can certainly not speak for him, but I want to say I have complete empathy and admiration for his inner strength and clarity, to be able to know and hold true to himself. ... We have learned from Perelman's mathematics. Perhaps we should also pause to reflect on ourselves and learn from Perelman's attitude toward life."

In 2006, Perelman turned down another coveted award in mathematics, the Fields Medal, which honored "his contributions to geometry and his revolutionary insights into the analytical and geometric structure" of topology. The journal Science credited Perelman with the scientific breakthrough of 2006, the first time a mathematician had been recognized.

Still, Perelman was quoted by the Interfax news service this week as saying he believes his contribution in proving the Poincare conjecture was no greater than that of American mathematician Richard Hamilton, who first suggested a way to the solution.



Perelman

## Clinton juggles diplomacy, wedding planning demands

KRAKOW, Poland (AP) — Hillary Rodham Clinton says she's not letting the demands of global diplomacy stop her from planning daughter Chelsea's wedding.



Chelsea Clinton

A Polish TV interviewer asked on Saturday how she manages juggling being secretary of state and mother of the bride.

Clinton agreed that both are "serious, important and stressful."

"Luckily we have e-mail now. I can communicate and people can send me pictures of flower arrangements or other kinds of decisions," she told the Polish current affairs

program Tomasz Lis Live.

"It's a very happy time for my family. ... It truly is the most important thing in my life right now," Clinton said about her daughter's upcoming wedding.

The Associated Press has reported that Chelsea Clinton's wedding to Marc Mezvinsky will take place July 31 in Rhinebeck, N.Y., about two hours north of New York City.

Chelsea Clinton, 30, is a graduate student at Columbia University's School of Public Health. Mezvinsky, 32, is an investment banker.



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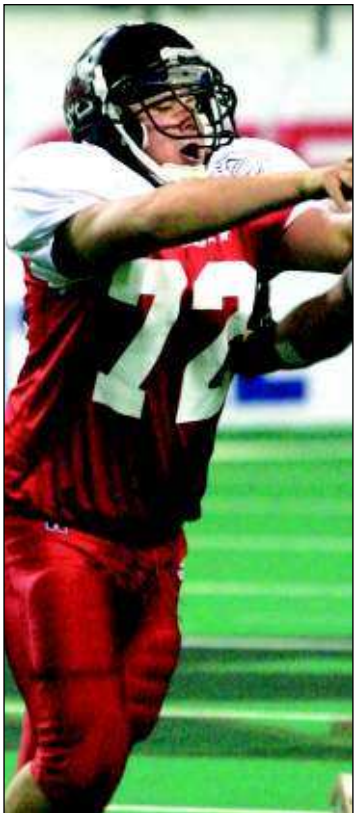
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From left, District IV participants in Saturday's 11-man All-State football game at Holt Arena in Pocatello: wide receiver Gus Callen of Jerome, offensive lineman Sage Warner of Declo, punter Coltin Johnson of Minico and offensive lineman Russ Ciocca of Jerome.

## Cowboys win in 8th, advance to title game

Twin Falls, Centennial meet for Classic crown

Times-News

Seven innings just don't seem to be enough for the Twin Falls Cowboys. For the fourth time in four games at the Cowboy Classic, Twin Falls went to the eighth inning. And for the third time, they eked out a win.

Michael Williams' RBI single scored Braden Box to give the Cowboys a 7-6 win Saturday night over Lethbridge (Alberta) and lifted Twin Falls into today's 11 a.m. championship game against Centennial.



Stadelmeir

"We've definitely been going about these games the hard way," said Twin Falls coach Tim Stadelmeir.

Twin Falls led 6-3 entering the seventh, but gave up three runs in the inning.

In the eighth, Box singled and Jared Jordan advanced him on a sacrifice bunt. After a strikeout and a walk, Williams plated Box for the game-winner.

Williams relieved Cy Sneed in the eighth on got the win on the mound.

Twin Falls now gets another shot at Centennial, which topped the Cowboys 6-4 on Friday night. The Cowboys led that game 4-0 before succumbing late.

"We kind of want to get back at them a little bit," said Stadelmeir.

In Saturday's other games, Longview blanked Rocky Mountain 11-0, Centennial stayed perfect at the Classic with a 4-0 win over Reno and Lethbridge topped Reno 7-2.

Box scores were unavailable at press time Saturday night.

# Going out winners

## Area players help Idaho earn shutout at All-State game

By Ryan Howe  
Times-News writer

POCATELLO — Before Holt Arena becomes his permanent home this fall, Sage Warner had one more piece of business to take care of there as a high schooler.

The former Declo star and Idaho State-bound Warner helped lead Team Idaho to a 22-0 victory over Treasure Valley in the 11-man All-State football game Saturday.

"I'm glad to be playing (college football) somewhere I know," said Warner, an offensive lineman. "I played here all through high

school and this is where our play-offs were at. I like it a lot."

Warner was joined by Idaho teammates Gus Callen and Russ Ciocca from Jerome and Coltin Johnson of Minico.

"It was really fun being chosen to play on this team," said Ciocca, an offensive lineman. "It was a really good experience. (Treasure Valley) was all cocky, it was pretty

"Our coaching staff was handed the keys to the Cadillac and we just didn't want to mess it up."

— Minico coach Tim Perrigot, on coaching the Idaho team to a 22-0 win over Treasure Valley at the All-State game

funny. To shut them out was nice."

Of the 65 players listed on the teams' rosters, 43 have plans to play football in college. Minico head coach Tim Perrigot had the reins of the Idaho team, which he said was loaded with talent.

"Our coaching staff was handed the keys to the Cadillac and we just didn't want to mess it up,"

Perrigot said.

The Offensive Most Valuable Player award went to Idaho running back Jayson Washington of Moscow, who is headed to University of Idaho. Defensive MVP was Treasure Valley defensive end Tyler Horn of Mountain View, who will play at Boise State.

"You didn't have to worry about anyone," said Callen. "Everybody knows the game and how to play. We just go out there and try to get the guy across from you. It's fun to get all the All-Stars together!"

See 11-MAN, Sports 4

Hunter Wadsworth of Oakley was named the Defensive Most Valuable Player at the 8-man All-State football game Saturday at Holt Arena in Pocatello.



RYAN HOWE/Times-News

## Wadsworth, Pacheco lead East to 8-man All-Star win

By Ryan Howe  
Times-News writer

POCATELLO — Although the last game Hunter Wadsworth played on the Holt Arena turf was just last November, he can't recall many of the details.

It was the Class 1A Division I state championship game, and the Oakley star got his bell rung for the second time in as many weeks.

"I don't remember the play (when the concussion occurred), but I remember hugging Payson (Bedke) after we won," Wadsworth said. "I do remember celebrating

afterwards. It was the coolest feeling in the world."

Wadsworth and his East teammates had plenty more to celebrate at Holt Arena after Saturday's 26-16 win over the West in the 8-man All-State football game.

And this one Wadsworth is sure to remember as he was named the game's Defensive Most Valuable Player. It was most likely the last time he will strap on the pads.

"We told ourselves, 'This is a once in a lifetime opportunity, don't let it slip. Give it everything

See 8-MAN, Sports 4

## Serena wins 4th Wimbledon

By Howard Fendrich  
Associated Press writer

WIMBLEDON, England — Getting set to accept her latest Wimbledon trophy, Serena Williams lifted both arms and held aloft 10 fingers. Then, raising only her right hand, she wiggled three more fingers, bringing the total count to 13.

That's how many Grand Slam singles titles Williams owns as of Saturday.

"I thought, 'I hope I got the number right,'" she said. "You know me: I tend to forget."

That's OK, Serena. The way you're accumulating championships, it's tough to keep track.

With a superb serve that had other greats of the game gushing, and plenty of offense and defense to back it up, the No. 1-ranked Williams overwhelmed No. 21 Vera Zvonareva of Russia 6-3, 6-2 in Saturday's final to win her fourth



AP photo

Serena Williams of the United States celebrates a point win over Russia's Vera Zvonareva during their women's singles final at the All England Lawn Tennis Championships at Wimbledon, Saturday.

Wimbledon title and, yes, list, breaking a tie with her 13th major tournament overall.

That's the most among active women and gives Williams sole possession of sixth place on the all-time

former U.S. Fed Cup captain, Billie Jean King. Addressing King, who was in the front row of the Royal

See SERENA, Sports 5

## Germany rips Argentina at WCup

By Nancy Armour  
Associated Press writer

CAPE TOWN, South Africa — Don't mess with Germany, on or off the field.

Miroslav Klose scored twice to move into a tie for second on the all-time World Cup scoring list, and Germany backed up its pre-game trash talk with an emphatic 4-0 rout of Argentina in the quarterfinals Saturday. The dominant display — along with Germany's two other four-goal games — should demand the attention of everyone still playing in South Africa.

"It was absolute class," Germany coach Joachim Loew said.

Hard to argue with that. Argentina had been one of the tournament's darlings, with coach Diego Maradona's every move causing a stir and superstar Lionel Messi showing you

don't need to score to be



AP photo

Germany's Miroslav Klose celebrates after scoring his side's fourth goal during a World Cup quarterfinal soccer match against Argentina at Green Point stadium in Cape Town, South Africa, Saturday.

sublime. The Argentines rolled into the quarterfinals as one of only two teams to win all its games — the Netherlands was the other

— and had been so powerful they never trailed.

No wonder a star-studded crowd was on hand at Green Point Stadium, with German chancellor Angela Merkel, Mick Jagger, Leonardo DiCaprio and South Africa's own Charlize Theron were all spotted in the VIP seats.

But Germany overwhelmed the Argentines, and shut down Messi in the process. The reigning FIFA world player of the year leaves South Africa without a goal, and was in tears after the game.

"He played a great World Cup," Maradona said. "And I tell you, to see Messi cry in the dressing room, whoever says that he doesn't feel pride for his shirt is stupid."

Maradona was equally devastated. He walked slowly to midfield with his hands jammed in his pockets when the game ended,

See WORLD CUP, Sports 5

# Cowboys reach Firecracker title game

Times-News

Damon Jones' two-run double in the bottom of the seventh inning Saturday lifted the Class A Twin Falls Cowboys to a 5-4 win over Spanish Springs and gave the Cowboys a spot in today's championship game

of the Boise Firecracker Invitational.

Jones pitched six innings of two-hit ball and left the mound with his team up 2-1. But Spanish Springs scored three runs in the top of the seventh off reliever Thomas Corr.

Down 4-2, Twin Falls ral-

lied as Corr, Jayson Byce and Casey Merritt singled, with Merritt's hit scoring Corr. A single by Tucker Donnelley loaded the bases, setting up Jones.

Today's 2:30 p.m. championship game gives the Cowboys a second chance against an experienced

Baker City (Ore.) team that topped Twin Falls 10-0 on Thursday.

**Twin Falls 5, Spanish Springs 4**  
 Spanish Springs 000 001 3-4 42  
 Twin Falls 001 100 3-5 91  
 Matt Mandens, Austin Damoth (5), Nick Audenried (7) and Kenny Semeuko. Damon Jones, Thomas Corr (7) and Tucker Donnelley.  
 Extra-base hits - 2B: Anthony Tiscarano, Kenny Semeuko; Twin Falls, Luke Burgett, Nathan Hoy, Damon Jones. 3B: Spanish Springs, Nick Audenried.

# Rose builds another big cushion

NEWTOWN SQUARE, Pa. — Justin Rose asked himself some tough, honest questions last week after he blew a three-shot lead in the final round. He hopes to find the right answers in the AT&T National.

With some big par saves in the middle of his round and one last birdie toward the end, Rose shot a 3-under 67 on Saturday to build a four-shot lead over Carl Pettersson (65) and Charlie Wi (70) going into the final round at tough Aronimink Golf Club.

That's one shot more than the lead he blew last week in the Travelers Championship, a bad day that Rose is determined not to turn into a bad memory.

"If you're sitting at the top of the leaderboard, it seems like it's yours to lose," Rose said. "That's why a golf tournament is 72 holes. The lead really doesn't mean much until you close it out. I just know that tomorrow I have a great opportunity again, but I'm more excited about the opportunity of putting into play the lessons I've learned in Hartford than actually going out and winning the golf tournament."

Tiger Woods only gets into contention in the majors these days. In his final tournament before the British Open, he again is out of the mix on Sunday. Woods recovered from an atrocious start with an even-par 70, putting him 13 shots behind.

This will be his seventh tournament without a victory on the PGA Tour, his longest drought since he went 16 straight tournaments in 2004 when he was going through a swing change. The only good news for the tournament is that the massive crowd that followed him around in the morning did not leave Aronimink.

They still were treated to some good golf.

It was the sixth time in his last eight rounds that Rose was atop the leaderboard. Now he gets to try something new. Despite his great run over the last month, Rose has never won a PGA Tour event when leading after 54 holes.

The test figures to come as much from Aronimink as the players behind him.

"It's tougher to go low around here," said Rose, one of only two players to have broken par all three rounds. "It's easier to go higher. It's an interesting



Justin Rose chips to the No. 9 green during the third round of the AT&T National golf tournament at the Aronimink Golf Club, Saturday in Newtown Square, Pa.

test. But it suits good golf. It's tough to find the birdies. I've just got to keep playing solid."

Rose was at 10-under 200, the only player to reach double digits under par this week on one of the toughest PGA Tour tracks this year.

Wi was one shot behind until taking four shots from just inside 25 feet on the 14th, the last three putts from 6 feet.

"This is course is not like last week where you have to make tons of birdies," Wi said. "You could be 1 or 2 over, or you could be 2 or 3 under. That changes the momentum, so we'll see how it goes tomorrow. I know 1 or 2 under sounds really easy, but this golf course is definitely not easy."

**CHOI MAKES ACE AT OWENS CORNING CLASSIC**  
 SYLVANIA, Ohio — Na Yeon Choi had a hole-in-one and shot a 3-under 68 to take a one-stroke lead over Christina Kim in the Jamie Farr Owens Corning Classic.

Choi, a two-time LPGA Tour winner, aced the eighth hole, dunking a 9-iron directly into the cup on the 131-yard hole. She had a five-stroke lead with five holes to play, but bogeyed the next two holes and missed other opportunities.

Kim made two late birdies for a 67. Katherine Hull (65), Kristin McPherson (67) and Inbee Park (70)

were 10 under, four shots behind Choi at Highland Meadows.

## COOK SHOOTS ANOTHER 66 AT MONTREAL CHAMPIONSHIP

BLAINVILLE, Quebec — John Cook shot his second straight 6-under 66 to take a one-stroke lead over Russ Cochran in the inaugural Montreal Championship.

The 52-year-old Cook, a four-time winner on the Champions Tour after winning 11 times on the PGA Tour, eagled the par-5 seventh hole and had four birdies in his bogey-free round at Fontainebleau Golf Club. Cochran followed his opening 65 with a 68.

Fred Couples (66) was three strokes back at 9 under along with Corey Pavin (67), Craig Stadler (65), D.A. Weibring (63), David Frost (68), Larry Mize (68), Peter Senior (68) and James Mason (69). Weibring broke the course record.

## KAYMER UP ONE AT FRENCH OPEN

VERSAILLES, France — Defending champion Martin Kaymer shot an even-par 71 to take a one-shot lead after the third round of the French Open.

The German finished at 9-under 204, a stroke ahead of Spain's Alejandro Canizares (73) and England's Steve Webster (70) at Le Golf National.

— The Associated Press

# Armstrong starts strong in last Tour

ROTTERDAM, Netherlands (AP) — Lance Armstrong could hardly have imagined a better start to what he's calling his last Tour de France.

The Texan placed an impressive fourth in the short opening time trial, shrugging off renewed doping allegations to dust several other likely podium contenders as well as edge rival Alberto Contador, the defending champion and prerace favorite.

Swiss rider Fabian Cancellara, the world and Olympic time trial champion, collected a fourth Tour prologue win and second in a row, clocking 10 minutes even for the 5.5-mile ride on rain-dampened roads in Rotterdam.

Armstrong trailed 22 seconds back in fourth. Perhaps most impressively, the American bested Contador by 5 seconds.

The American's solid performance was almost certain to brighten spirits within the RadioShack team on a day that started with new claims by former teammate Floyd Landis that the seven-time Tour champ was once involved in doping.

The 38-year-old sought to focus on the racing.

"In my heart, that was a surprise," Armstrong said. "I wanted to have a decent day in the time trial, and I was not the best out there today."

"But among the (general classification) rivals, I have to say it was the best one I've done since the comeback," Armstrong said, referring to his Tour return last year after a 3-year hiatus.

Some potential Tour title contenders were already facing disappointment: Britain's Bradley Wiggins, an Olympic gold medalist and strong time-trial rider who was fourth in last year's Tour, was 77th overall — 56 seconds behind Cancellara.

Andy Schleck, who finished second in last year's Tour — one rung above Armstrong on the podium — placed 112th, 1:09 back of his Saxo Bank teammate and race leader.

Armstrong came into the time trial predicting he wouldn't win it, saying that he's "lost it" in the discipline — one that he had dominated in his record run of Tour titles from 1999 to 2005.

But he rode aggressively Saturday, only slowing at one point to take a tight turn — a sign that above all he wanted to avoid a crash that could damage or derail his hopes for an eighth Tour victory.

"I gotta say I'm happy: Happy with the result, happy with the feelings, which is maybe more



AP photo

Lance Armstrong strains to take a fourth place during the prologue of the Tour de France cycling race, an individual time trial over 5.5 miles in the port city of Rotterdam, Netherlands, Saturday.

"Happy with the result, happy with the feelings, which is maybe more important than the result. Everything from the start of the day through to the warm-up just felt solid."

— Lance Armstrong, after placing fourth in the opening time trial of the Tour de France

important than the result," he said. "Everything from the start of the day through to the warm-up just felt solid."

"If you would have told me this morning: 'Hey, sign up for fifth (sic) and put time on your rivals,' I would have signed with both hands."

Before the stage, the Texan rejected as "baseless and already-discredited" claims by Landis that he was involved in doping when they rode together. Landis' allegations, which followed similar comments he went public with in May, were published Saturday in the Wall Street Journal.

"Landis' credibility is like a carton of sour milk: once you take the first sip, you don't have to drink the rest to know it has all gone bad," Armstrong said in a statement.

The cancer survivor also said he had "too much work to do" during the event to devote attention to "this predictable pre-Tour sensationalism."

After the prologue, Armstrong declined to address the issue that dates back years. "No comment. It's been 10 years. Ten years. No. We gave the reaction this morning."

# Harvick wins wild race at Daytona

DAYTONA BEACH, Fla. (AP) — Kevin Harvick has won a wild Saturday night race at Daytona International Speedway.

The Sprint Cup points leader was second on the final restart and wasted no time sliding past teammate Clint Bowyer to grab the lead. Harvick held off Kasey Kahne and Jeff Gordon over the two-lap sprint to the finish.

It is Harvick's second win of the season. The other was at Talladega in April.

Kahne was second, followed by Gordon, Dale Earnhardt Jr. and Jeff Burton.

The start of the race was delayed almost 90 minutes by rain, and a 20-car accident with 12 laps to go stopped the action another 20 minutes.



AP photo

NASCAR driver Tony Stewart's car bursts into flames after he was involved in a multi-car crash in the Coke Zero 400 auto race at Daytona International Speedway in Daytona Beach, Fla., Saturday.

# Cavaliers, Bulls finish meetings with LeBron

CLEVELAND (AP) — After three days being romanced by six NBA teams, a few billionaires, coaches, executives, hip hop's biggest star, and fixating the sports world on his every move, LeBron James got behind the wheel of his customized car and drove home.

Only he knows where he's going next.

James concluded his personal free-agent summit on Saturday by hearing presentations from the Cleveland Cavaliers, whose pitch focused on his familiarity with their franchise and tickled his sense of humor, and the Chicago Bulls, the last team and the one believed to have the best chance of stealing him from Ohio.

The meetings are over.

The guessing game has begun.

The ball is in James' court. The Cavs came away from

their 90-minute sit down with a renewed confidence that James will re-sign with them.

"It went very well," said a person with knowledge of Cleveland's visit, who spoke to The Associated Press on condition of anonymity because of the sensitivity of the talks. "It was very easy, very relaxed. There were moments of emotion and moments of laughter."

Knowing James as well as they do, the Cavs, who were represented by owner Dan Gilbert, new coach Byron Scott, general manager Chris Grant and assistant GM Lance Blanks, tried to lighten things up by showing the 25-year-old a cartoon featuring him and his friends as characters.

The team had an animated video made in the style of "Family Guy" — one of James' favorite TV shows — that depicted some inside jokes and locker-room

humor as the Cavaliers reminded James that he is indeed part of their extended family. James was joined in the meetings by business manager Maverick Carter, close friend Randy Mims and agent Leon Rose.

The Cavs' entourage only had to make a three-block drive from Quicken Loans Arena to James' downtown business offices to make their homespun proposal to the mega free agent.

Instead of making a national tour, James decided to have the New Jersey Nets, New York Knicks, Miami Heat, Los Angeles Clippers, Cavs and Bulls meet him on his home turf. At this point, he has not other scheduled visits.

Indications are that James will spend the remainder of the holiday weekend considering the offers before announcing his decision sometime next week.

The Cavs did not ask

James when he will announce his decision, the person said.

Because it's home, because they can offer him \$30 million more than any other team on a maximum-length contract, and because they've built a championship-caliber team around him, the Cavs feel good about their chances of keeping the two-time MVP.

Hoping to tug on James' heart strings, the Cavaliers organized a "fan tunnel" down East 9th Street to welcome him. Hundreds of fans lined the sidewalks outside the IMG building, and when James pulled into the parking garage, fans held up signs that said "Home" while others tossed white powder in the air, mimicking his pregame ritual.

As the Cavs departed, the Bulls' delegation arrived for their meeting — the last of the six scheduled teams to see James and his advisors.

# Eagles deny team may release Michael Vick

By Jeff McLane  
 The Philadelphia Inquirer

The Philadelphia Eagles on Saturday denied an Associated Press report that the team was strongly considering cutting Michael Vick.

The team's statement was the first official one the team has made since the day after a man was shot outside a Virginia Beach, Va., nightclub that was hosting Vick's birthday party.

"Under normal circumstances, we would not issue a public statement regarding a matter still under investigation," the statement read. "However, due to the intense speculation that exists, we believe it is important to make a statement this afternoon regarding Michael Vick."

Following the incident that occurred in Virginia on the morning of June 25, Michael and his representatives promptly contacted law enforcement agencies, the Philadelphia Eagles, and the National Football League. The Eagles were provided with very detailed

information during that discussion as to what took place at the event. Those details have not changed in any way over the course of the last week. Our investigation to this point has confirmed and has been consistent with the information that was originally communicated to us.

"Furthermore, any report or speculation that suggests the Eagles are considering releasing Vick are not true. We will continue to gather information and monitor the situation, and we will not have any further comment until that process is complete."

The AP cited a source "with knowledge of the Eagles' thinking" in reporting that the team would release its backup quarterback no matter what Virginia Beach police had concluded upon their investigation of the shooting.

Virginia Beach authorities have yet to name a suspect or make an arrest in the shooting that maimed a codefendant in Vick's dogfighting case. Vick has denied having any involvement in the shooting.



Vick



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Baseball game reports for AL Boxes, including Baltimore vs Boston, Chicago vs Texas, Oakland vs Cleveland, and Seattle vs Detroit.

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GAME PLAN

LOCAL

AMERICAN LEGION BASEBALL Class AA Cowboy Classic, at CSI 11 a.m. Championship game, Twin Falls vs. Centennial.

TV SCHEDULE

AUTO RACING 1:30 p.m. ABC - IRL, Camping World Grand Prix. CYCLING 6:30 a.m. VERSUS - Tour de France, stage 1, Rotterdam, Netherlands to Brussels, Belgium.

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YOUTH SOFTBALL



Courtesy photo

Terror rally for Blast title

The Twin Falls Terror rallied to defeat Nampa Sliders twice in the championship round to win the Boise Blast softball tournament June 25-27 in Boise. Pictured, from left, front row: Ashlyn Aardema, Regan Harr, Kayler Detmer, Tristan Corta and Dani Shottwell; second row: Madi Ford, Skylar Call, Kacie Kubosumi, Kassidie Brooks, Maryssa Gonzales, Morgan Nash, and Taylor Johnson; back row: Coaches Mike Aardema, Steve Call and Ken Johnson.

MARTIAL ARTS



Courtesy

Yergensen holds free jiu-jitsu seminar

Curtis Yergensen of Twin Falls Brazilian jiu-jitsu, standing at center, recently hosted a free seminar introducing 24 students to the art of Brazilian jiu-jitsu. The goal of Twin Falls Brazilian Jiu-Jitsu is to create a learning environment for both new students, experienced students and instructors alike. Yergensen, an assistant wrestling coach at Twin Falls High School, is a brown belt with 11 years experience in Gracie jiu jitsu. Yergensen will host additional free seminars once per month on a Saturday at 455 Main Avenue East in Twin Falls. For information or to reserve a space at the next seminar call 404-4166.

Your Scores

BOWLING

BOWLADROME, TWIN FALLS TUESDAY NO TAP

**MEN'S SERIES:** Blaine Ross 748, Joshua Graoves 739, Adam Kepner 682, Jim Kepner 665.  
**MEN'S GAMES:** Joshua Groves 300, Eddie Chappell 261, Bill Boren 256, Blaine Ross 253.  
**LADIES SERIES:** Charlene Anderson 672, Kim Lee 636, Dawn Kulm 611, Jessie Biggerstaff 607.  
**LADIES GAMES:** Kim Lee 244, Jessie Biggerstaff 231, Dawn Kulm 230, LaVona Young 229.  
**THURSDAY A.M.**  
**MEN'S SERIES:** Myron Schroeder 618, Eddie Chappell 605, Ed Dutry 583, Dave Wilson 576.  
**MEN'S GAMES:** Eddie Chappell 236, Ed Dutry 231, Myron Schroeder 222, Dave Wilson 215.  
**LADIES SERIES:** Gail McAllister 502, Linda Vining 490, Mona Neill 475, Dawn Kulm 466.  
**LADIES GAMES:** Linda Vining 188, Dawn Kulm 180, Mona Neill 176, Gail McAllister 176.  
**THURSDAY NO TAP**  
**MEN'S SERIES:** Jerry Seabolt 566, Dave Wilson 544, Dennis Seckel 522, Eric Parton 500.  
**MEN'S GAMES:** Jerry Seabolt 225, Dave Wilson 208, Eric Parton 195, Dennis Seckel 189.  
**LADIES SERIES:** Michele Seckel 522, Cindy Jo Garrett

389, Charlene Spencer 383.  
**LADIES GAMES:** Michele Seckel 189, Cindy Jo Garrett 145, Charlene Spencer 141.  
**SNAKE RIVER BOWL, BURLEY SUMMER SIZZLERS**  
**SERIES:** Lori Parish 719, Tlea Quabois 632, Lla Despain 543.  
**GAMES:** Lori Parish 300, Telea Debois 297, Alice Ferrin 216.  
**SUGAR**  
**MEN'S SERIES:** Tyson Cook 565, Aaron Swanson 489, Manuel Quilantan 472.  
**MEN'S GAMES:** Tyson Cook 223, Manuel Quilanton 191, Aaron Swanson 189.  
**LADIES SERIES:** Kerry Zemke 323, Kelly Davis 313, Shawna 245.  
**LADIES GAMES:** Kerry Zemke 114, Kelly Davis 112, Shawna 92.  
**SUMMER PARTY**  
**MEN'S SERIES:** Jordan Parish 671, Bob Bywater 625, Jared Studer 610.  
**MEN'S GAMES:** Jordan Parish 243, Jared Studer 243, Bob Bywater 234.  
**LADIES SERIES:** Bridget Albertson 601, Kristie Johnston 578, Kiara Hieb 473.  
**LADIES GAMES:** Kristie Johnston 217, Bridget Albertson 215, Kiara Hieb 171.

MAGIC VALLEY SPORTS BRIEFS

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Information: 878-9807.

Following are sports announcements submitted to the *Times-News*.

**KIMBERLY GOOD NEIGHBOR DAY COMING**

**KIMBERLY** — The Kimberly Good Neighbor Day 5k Fun Run/Walk will be held Saturday, July 10, at 7 a.m., at Kimberly City Park. Registration is \$20, and begins at 6:30 a.m. Proceeds will go toward funding the Kimberly Sports Complex. Information: Teresa at 423-4369 or 948-5527.

**WAKE IN THE SNAKE COMING**

**BURLEY** — The Wake in the Snake competition will be held Saturday, July 10 at the Burley Golf Course Marina. Preregistration is available online through Monday. Information: www.idahowater-sports.com or 678-5869.

**JEROME HOLDS VOLLEYBALL CAMP**

**JEROME** — Jerome High School Volleyball Camp will be held from 9 to 11 a.m. Tuesday, July 13 through Thursday, July 15. Girls in grades 4-6 will attend at the new Jerome Middle School gymnasium, with grades 7-8 at the JHS gymnasium. The cost is \$35 and includes a camp T-shirt. Participants should bring athletic shoes and a water bottle. Information: Hannah Clark at 404-9292 or e-mail jeromevolleyball@hotmail.com.

**JEROME CHAMBER HOLDS SCRAMBLE**

**JEROME** — The 2010 Jerome Chamber of Commerce Golf Scramble will be held Saturday, July 17 at Jerome Country Club, beginning with an 8 a.m. shotgun start.

The cost is \$55 per golfer with six-man teams in a best-ball format. Mulligans are \$5 each. Information: Loralee McKee at 737-6733 or the Jerome Chamber of Commerce at 324-2711.

**CSI VB CAMPS COMING**

The College of Southern Idaho will host two volleyball camps Monday through Wednesday at the CSI Gymnasium. One camp will be for high-school hitters and setters and the other will be for junior high players. Space is limited to the first 100 enrollees for each camp. Information: Heidi Cartisser at 293-2847 or 732-6485.

**NUU HOSTS NBC CAMP**

**NAMPA** — Northwest Nazarene University will host the NBC Girls Basketball Camp Monday through Friday. The camp is for girls ages 9-18 and includes room and meals in the NNU cafeteria. Information: http://www.nbc-camps.com.

**FILER HOLDS BOYS SOCCER TRYOUTS**

**FILER** — Practice and tryouts for the Filer High School boys soccer team will be held from 7 to 9 p.m. each Tuesday and Thursday at Filer High School beginning this week.

**FLAG FOOTBALL MEETING SET FOR TUESDAY**

The City of Twin Falls Parks and Recreation department will hold an organizational meeting at 6 p.m., Tuesday for the men's adult flag football league. The meeting will be held at the Parks and Recreation Office's upper meeting room at 136 Maxwell Avenue. Items to be discussed include league fees, rules and season length. All teams wishing to participate must have a representative at the meeting. Information: 736-2265.

**JRD HOLDS FITNESS CAMP**

**JEROME** — Jerome Recreation District will hold a Kids Summer Fitness Camp from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. July 6-30. The camp is for ages 9-15 and is free for the first 30 kids to register.

The goal of the camp is to improve health, decrease body fat and raise self esteem. This camp will promote teamwork with fun fitness games and give kids tools to eat healthy for life. Nutrition classes, fitness classes, swimming and cooking are included. Information: 324-3389.

**CONDITIONING CAMP SET**

The second annual Speed and Conditioning Camp for Magic Valley athletes in grades 7 through 9 will be held from 7 to 9:30 a.m., July 19-26 at Canyon Ridge High School. For high-schoolers in grades 10 to 12 a camp will be held from 6 to 8:30 p.m., July 26-Aug. 6. The cost for the junior high camp is \$40, and the high school camp costs \$65. Each camp will be capped at 80 participants and is designed to increase agility, speed, strength and endurance.

**BUHL TO HOST THREE-DAY TOURNEY**

**BUHL** — Buhl Youth Baseball, in conjunction with Sawtooth Baseball, will host a Minors and Majors baseball tournament July 23-25. There is a four-game guarantee. Information: http://sawtoothbaseball.com.

**GOOSE CREEK RUN-OFF COMING**

**OAKLEY** — The Goose Creek Run-Off will be held July 24 in conjunction with the Oakley Pioneer Days Celebration. The event features a 10k run, a four-mile walk and a one-mile children's race.

Prizes will be awarded to overall winners and age division winners. Check-in for the 10k begins at 5 a.m. July 24. Buses leave at 6 a.m.

with the race beginning at 7. Registration forms are available online at http://www.goosecreekrunoff.com or at Donnelley Sports, Curves, Impact Athletics and Gold's Gym. Information: Becky or Troy Woodhouse at 862-3809.

**T.F. VOLLEYBALL CAMP OFFERED**

The Twin Falls Volleyball Camp will be held July 26-29. Players entering grades 4-6 will attend from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m., with grades 7-9 attending from 1:30 to 4:30 p.m. The camp will focus on fundamental skills, drills and learning offense and defense. The cost is \$50 (\$65 after July 16). Information: B.J. Price at 208-863-2518.

**JRD OFFERS SUMMER GOLF LESSONS**

**JEROME** — The Jerome Recreation District is offering Youth and Adult Golf Lessons July 27-29. Lessons will be given by John Peterson at the Jerome Country Club. Youth Lessons (ages 8 to 17) will start at 8 a.m. Cost is \$25 in district or \$30 out of district. Adult Lessons (18 and over) will start at 6 p.m. Cost is \$30.00 in district or \$35 out of district. Information: 324-3389 or www.jeromerecreationdistrict.com.

**M.V. JUNIOR FOOTBALL SIGN-UPS OPEN**

Registration for Magic Valley Junior Football is under way. The tackle league is for grades 5-6 and registration forms are available at Twin Falls Parks and Recreation or the Boys and Girls Club. The cost is \$55 (\$75 after July 30 deadline) and all players must have a current physical. Information: Eric Bauman at 736-5099 or Mike Ewaniuk at 212-1755.

**MVCS HOLDS GOLF SCRAMBLE**

Magic Valley Christian School's 15th Annual Benefit Golf Scramble will be held July 31 at Canyon Springs Golf Course in Twin Falls. Registration is at 7:15 a.m., with an 8 a.m. shotgun start. The format is a four-person best-ball scramble. The entry fee is \$75 per golfer and includes green fees, cart, coffee and donuts and an awards luncheon. Information: MVCS at 324-4200.

**MVTA HOLDS TENNIS TOURNEY**

The Magic Valley Tennis Association will host its annual Magic Valley Open Tennis Tournament Aug. 6-8. Participants do not have to be USTA members. The tournament includes singles and doubles events for men and women from 2.5 to open level players. Mixed doubles NTRP levels include 6.0 to 8.0 and open combined team rating. Each player is limited to two events. Cash prizes will be awarded to first- and second-place winners in each division. The entry fee is \$17 per person for doubles events and \$22 per person for singles events. Enter online at http://USTA.com by clicking on TENNISLINK and then on TOURNAMENTS, and enter tournament No. 257430710. A \$3 online registration fee applies. Printed registration forms may be picked up at the Twin Falls YMCA or Elevation Sports. Entries close at 6 p.m., Sunday, Aug. 1. Information: Robert Sterk at 208-602-1493 or e-mail robert@robertsterk.com or Kathy Deahl at 731-3152 or e-mail mvtennis@hotmail.com.

**RIDLEY'S MATCH PLAY SLATED**

Entries are being accepted for the inaugural Ridley's Match Play Championship, now rescheduled for Sept. 4-6 at Twin Falls Golf Club. The entry fee has been reduced to \$150 per golfer. Entry forms are available at http://www.ridleysmatchplay.com. Information: 733-3326.

World Cup

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and couldn't muster any energy or enthusiasm at his news conference.

"I'm as disappointed as all Argentinians," said Maradona, who cast doubt on his future as national coach. "To see my country lose a football match is very hard for someone who has worn the shirt."

Germany will play Spain, a 1-0 winner over Paraguay, in the semifinals Wednesday in Durban. This will be Germany's third straight trip to the semis and its 12th overall — nobody has more. But the three-time champions have not won a title since 1990.

**SPAIN 1, PARAGUAY 0**

**JOHANNESBURG** — Spain found just enough of the beautiful game — and a touch of good luck — to advance to the World Cup semifinals, beating Paraguay 1-0 on Saturday.

David Villa took the tournament scoring lead with his fifth goal, which banked in off both posts in the 83rd minute. The goal finished off a brilliant, three-way passing combination that typifies the way the European champions like to play. It sent Spain into the World Cup's final four for the first time in 60 years.

Spain faces Germany on Wednesday in Durban — a reprise of its 1-0 victory in the Euro 2008 final.

One night after penalty kicks decided Uruguay's shootout win over Ghana, they were critical in Spain's victory. A somewhat subdued match suddenly became chaotic in a two-minute span of the second half. Gerard Pique pulled down Paraguay's Oscar Cardozo in the penalty area on a corner kick, earning a yellow card and giving Cardozo a

penalty kick.

With the vuvuzelas reaching a crescendo, the striker who ended his team's shootout win over Japan was denied brilliantly this time by Iker Casillas, who dived left to block Cardozo's low kick.

Seconds later, Villa broke free behind the defense and was hauled down by Antolin Alcoraz, who drew a yellow card. Xabi Alonso went to the penalty spot and sent a wicked drive into the net.

Again, the stadium rocked, but referee Carlos Batres of Guatemala waved off the goal, saying a Spain player entered the area too soon.

Given a second chance, keeper Justo Villar guessed correctly, diving left to stop the penalty kick. He also knocked the rebound away from Cesc Fabregas before defender Paulo Da Silva made a leg save at the goal line on another shot by Sergio Ramos.

Serena

Continued from Sports 1

Box, Williams said: "Hey, Billie, I got you! This is No. 13 for me now. It's just amazing to able to be among such great people."

The American did not drop a set over two dominant weeks at the All England Club.

She's won five of the last eight Grand Slam tournaments, including two in a row at Wimbledon, where she also was champion in 2002-03. Williams and her older sister Venus have won nine of the past 11 titles at the grass-court Grand Slam tournament.

"Everywhere we look, there's another Wimbledon trophy," Williams said, rolling her eyes. "I'm, like, 'Ugh, not one of those again!'"

Williams was kidding, of course. Maybe she also was joking when she said Friday that she'd prepare for the final by relaxing and watch-

ing the TV show "Desperate Housewives." In the end, her victory over Zvonareva lasted only slightly longer than an episode — 67 minutes — and was rather short on drama.

Both women hit the ball with plenty of force from the baseline, and both grunted loudly, the noise reverberating through the arena. After 21 minutes, they were tied at 3-all. Zvonareva was hanging in there despite being the second-lowest-ranked woman to play in a Wimbledon final.

Then, turning it on, Williams reeled off eight of the next nine games to seize complete control and add to her collection of championships, which includes five Australian Opens, three U.S. Opens and one French Open.

She brings her best when it counts the most: Her only other title of 2010 came at the Australian Open in January; she was sidelined

all of February, March and April with a left knee injury.

Margaret Smith Court leads the way with 24 major titles, followed by Steffi Graf with 22, Helen Wills Moody with 19, and Martina Navratilova and Chris Evert with 18 apiece.

So where does Williams rank among the best women's tennis players through the years?

"Top five," answered Navratilova, without a moment's hesitation. "It's not just about how many Slams you win or how many tournaments you win — it's just your game overall. And she's definitely got all the goods. It would have been fun to play her, but at the same time, I'm glad that I didn't have to."

Navratilova, who watched the final from a front-row seat, called Williams' serve "astounding," the best ever for a woman.

**BURLEY/RUPERT FORECAST**

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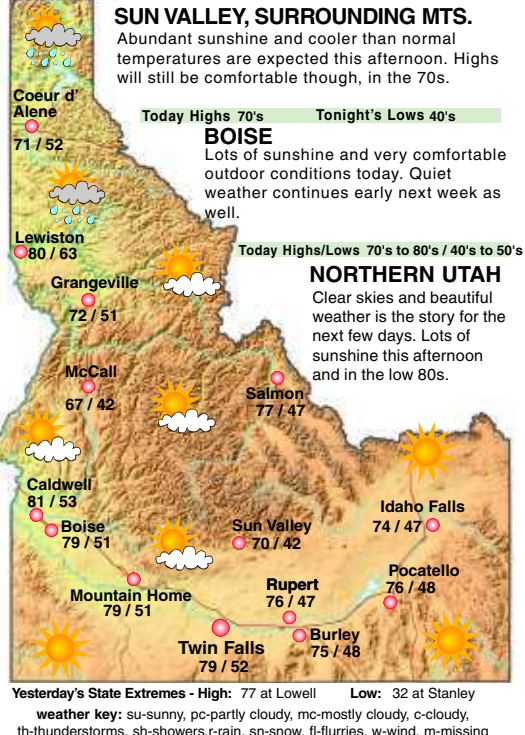
Tonight: Clear. Low 48.

Tomorrow: Partly cloudy. High 79.

**ALMANAC - BURLEY**

Temperature, Precipitation, Yesterday's High/Low, Normal High/Low, Record High/Low, Avg. Water Year to Date.

**IDAHO'S FORECAST**



**TWIN FALLS FIVE-DAY FORECAST**

Forecast for Today, Tonight, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday. Includes icons and temperature ranges.

**Yesterday's Weather**

Table of yesterday's weather for various cities including Boise, Challis, Coeur d'Alene, etc.

**ALMANAC - TWIN FALLS**

Temperature, Precipitation, Humidity, Barometric Pressure, Sunrise and Sunset, Today's U.V. Index.



**REGIONAL FORECAST**

Forecast for regional cities including Boise, Bonners Ferry, Burley, Challis, etc.

**NATIONAL FORECAST**

Forecast for national cities including Atlanta, Atlanta City, Baltimore, Birmingham, etc.

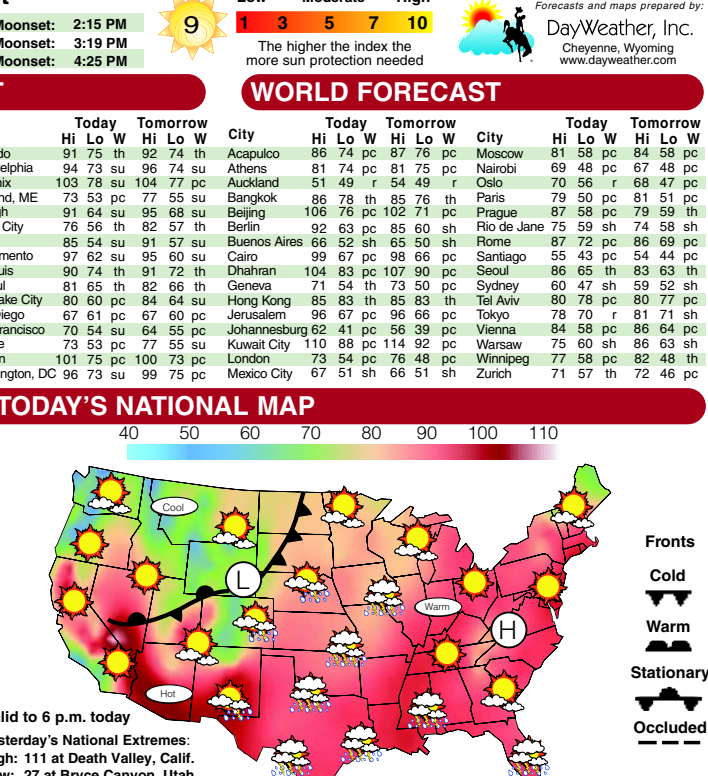
**WORLD FORECAST**

Forecast for international cities including Acapulco, Athens, Auckland, Bangkok, etc.

**CANADIAN FORECAST**

Forecast for Canadian cities including Calgary, Cranbrook, Edmonton, Kelowna, etc.

**TODAY'S NATIONAL MAP**



**GREGG MIDDLEKAUFF'S QUOTE OF THE DAY** - Photo of Gregg Middlekauff and his quote about purpose.

More Magic Valley weather at www.magicvalley.com/weather. Get up-to-date highway information at the Idaho Transportation Department's Web site at 511.idaho.gov or call 888-432-7623.

# NFL stars go worldwide in offseason of giving

By John Wawrow  
Associated Press writer

On his way to India to help a friend distribute hearing aids to deaf children, Larry Fitzgerald was warned how overwhelming it is to witness someone hearing their own voice for the first time.

Little did the Arizona Cardinals star receiver realize what awaited him. Once Fitzgerald saw the expression of joy and wonder on the child's face for the first time, it rendered immaterial anything he'd ever accomplished on a football field.

"To be able to see that smile was really moving," Fitzgerald said. "To be able to do something like that really humbled you and brought you down to earth and makes you appreciate what you have, and making a difference in that child's life. I know that child couldn't care less of what I did. All they cared about is that they were able to hear."

Fitzgerald's experience as part of Bill Austin and his Starkey Hearing Foundation's mission to India and Nepal in March was one shared by many of his colleagues. There were an abundance of NFL stars, second-stringers and those in between, who spent the past months taking part in what amounted to an offseason of worldwide giving.

Minnesota Vikings running back Adrian Peterson will never complain of feeling sore or bored after helping provide health care, food and water to villagers in Uganda and visiting an orphanage in Cape Town, South Africa.

New York Jets safety James Ihedigbo quickly discovered that two-a-day practices are nothing compared with spending a week working sunup to sundown amid the ruins and rubble of earthquake-devastated Haiti.

And then there's Cleveland Browns offensive lineman Joe Thomas, who found a new hero after befriending Purple Heart recipient Sgt. Eric Harder during an NFL-USO Tour in Afghanistan.

At a time when athletes are often branded by the sweeping brush of negative headlines and me-first motives, these players rolled up their collective sleeves for the greater good and were rewarded with life-changing experiences.

"It was humbling," Peterson said. "You really don't realize how blessed you are."

Joined by former Oklahoma stars Tommie



NFL players, from left, Joe Thomas of the Cleveland Browns, Vernon Davis of the San Francisco 49ers, Mario Williams of the Houston Texans and Jason Witten of the Dallas Cowboys, look out from the cargo door of a KC135 Aerial Tanker after landing at the Al Udeid Air Base near Doha, Qatar, as part of a USO tour.

Harris, Roy Williams and Mark Clayton, Peterson spent 10 days touring parts of Africa along with a group of Oklahoma City medical professionals, lawyers and business leaders. Together, they helped dig wells, assisted in building a small school, distributed medical supplies, played games with children while donating their time and money to help make a difference.

Peterson was struck by how the simplest necessities could be so difficult to get, with people often walking

miles on dirt roads for fresh water.

"It was a blessing to be in a position to experience that," Peterson said. "It makes you more grounded and be able to say, 'Hey, you think you've got it rough? Ha.' This was rough. This was survival."

Ihedigbo had much the same reaction upon arriving Haiti in March along with fellow NFLers David Clowney, Vernon Gholston and Ahmad Carroll. Through his Hope Africa charitable foundation, Ihedigbo was organizing a

trip to Nigeria when he changed plans once the earthquake struck.

The most difficult and heart-wrenching moment came when they pulled up to a tent camp and began unloading supplies and Ihedigbo saw a woman cleaning her baby with a dirty sweat shirt. He handed her a box of baby wipes.

"Some of the places we went, this was the first help they had received. It blew me away because we went 3 1/2 weeks after the earthquake," Ihedigbo said. "It really

touched us to know that if we hadn't jumped to the plate, a lot of people would've been hindered or hurt even worse."

Ihedigbo says even a small effort can make a big difference.

"You never know the impact that our trip might have had on a little child," he said. "That child may grow up and be a physician. You never know. And it's things like that that are priceless."

Joe Thomas' experience was different, though equally invaluable. He found inspiration in a war zone by traveling to Forward Operating Base Bostick. That's where he met Sgt. Harder of the 3rd Squadron, 61st Cavalry Regiment and learned of his heroism during a 12-hour battle against the Taliban during which eight U.S. soldiers were killed at Combat Outpost Keating last October.

Aside from earning a Purple Heart for being wounded in the fighting, Harder has been recommended for a Silver Star.

"That was one of the big moments of the trip and one of the most humbling moments," Thomas recalled. "Just hearing him talk so humbly about it, and talking about it like it's just an everyday thing, it really makes you feel bad you have it so good and so easy back home."

The trip was so memorable for Thomas that, upon

returning home, he began reading and following on TV as much as he could about the war effort in Afghanistan. During his research, he came upon Harder's mother, Mary Henry, and sent an e-mail praising her son.

"I am sure he had no idea what an impact it would have on me, but it was huge," Henry said. "There are those in the spotlight that make sure that no act of kindness goes unnoticed. Not Joe. He wrote me an e-mail with absolutely no expectation to bring glory back to himself. He actually seemed uncomfortable with any praise coming his way."

For Thomas, who has invited Harder to a Browns game this season, it was the least he - or any NFL player - could do.

"There's no doubt that so many guys in the NFL are giving back," Thomas said. "It's so much a part of what we do and who we are. And we get just as much satisfaction of giving back in any little way we can, whether it's Afghanistan, Uganda, Cape Town or maybe it's just in Berea, Ohio."

Fitzgerald can still envision children in India begging for a T-shirt, a pair of socks or even a stick of gum.

"It humbles you," Fitzgerald said. "Any time you go over there and do things like that, that means a heck of a lot more than scoring touchdowns."

Commercial Tire advertisement featuring a car, a dog, and two coupons for brake and fluid maintenance services with \$20 off. Includes store addresses in Twin Falls, Gooding, and Burley.

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Call Hamilton Farms at 208-731-4937.

### 207 Education

**EDUCATION**  
Kimberly Elementary School is looking for a para-pro computer lab technician. This position is 7 hrs a day for the school year.  
Qualifications include a knowledge of computers and the ability to work effectively with children and teachers.  
Call Cathy at 423-4170 x3308 with questions. Classified application is available at [www.kimberly.edu](http://www.kimberly.edu).

**EDUCATION**  
Kimberly Middle School is looking for a "very" part-time certified art teacher to work 1 hour per day every other day.  
Please call Cathy at 423-4170 x3308 for more information or visit [www.kimberly.edu](http://www.kimberly.edu) for an application.

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Renewable Energy Instructor full-time 9-month ongoing.  
Apply to [www.csi.edu/jobs](http://www.csi.edu/jobs). EOE

**EDUCATION**  
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Hagerman Jt School District No. 233  
208-437-4344 or 208-837-4777.  
Applications may be obtained by phoning or online at [www.hjpd.org](http://www.hjpd.org). EOE

**EDUCATION**  
The Castleford School District announces the following openings:  
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### 209 General

**GENERAL**  
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Call 208-731-6518

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We are looking for enthusiastic, reliable & approachable individuals for PT positions. This is a fun & empowering position for people that are self-motivated w/strong people skills. You should be a problem solver w/computer & internet exp. Fitness background is a plus but not essential.  
To apply, email resume to: [jd.burley@kokofitclub.com](mailto:jd.burley@kokofitclub.com) or mail to: Koko Fit Club Mgr, 101 Pelican Drive, Rupert, ID 83350

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**GENERAL**

**TRANSPORTATION TEAM LEAD**  
Gooding, Idaho

Glanbia Foods is currently seeking a Transportation Team Leader.

This position will be responsible for driver route, and ensuring pick up and delivery of milk to plants.

Requirements include:

- Requires an Associates Degree in a transportation related field and two to four years experience or equivalent experience in a transportation related field.
- Clean and valid Class A CDL with T and N endorsements, bulk haulers license, D.O.T. medical card, and LVC training preferred.
- Ability to effectively present information in one-on-one and small group situations to customers, clients, and other employees of the organization.
- Ability to prioritize tasks and handle multiply projects simultaneously.
- Basic personal computer skills
- Comply with all safety policies, practices and procedures.
- Must be willing to work nights.

Glanbia offers an excellent benefit and compensation program that includes medical, dental, disability, 401(k), vacation and personal days, and career advancement opportunities.

Apply on line at [www.glanbiausa.com](http://www.glanbiausa.com).

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means "Pure Food"  
EOE - AA - Drug Free Workplace

### 209 General

**GENERAL**  
Hiring Direct Care Staff to work with DD adults, starting at \$7.25/hour.  
Call 208-734-4344 ext. 104

**GENERAL**  
Mock Juror - Attorneys looking for thoughtful people to participate in a focus group/mock trial.  
Monday, July 26<sup>th</sup> 1:00pm-5:00 pm  
\$90 Twin Falls.  
Call Focus Groups at 425-441-8498 or email return phone number at [Focus-Groups@comcast.net](mailto:Focus-Groups@comcast.net).

**GENERAL**  
Now Hiring!!!  
Twin Jobs 733-7300  
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Call or apply at: [www.personnelinc.com](http://www.personnelinc.com)

**GENERAL**  
Pacific Recycling is seeking a responsible scrap buyer who will assist customers in receiving, sorting, and baling of recyclable materials. Must have excellent customer service with preference given to those with a basic understanding of ferrous and non-ferrous metals.  
Please submit resumes to PO Box 1413 Twin Falls, ID 83303

**MANAGEMENT**  
**University of Idaho**  
Scientific Aide  
Plant, Soil and Entomological Sciences - Crop & Weed Science Division (Kimberly, ID)  
The Scientific Aide will assist principle investigator and other personnel in brooding, genetics and development of new, improved cultivars of dry bean (*Phaseolus vulgaris* L.) and associated fundamental and applied research with *Phaseolus* species. Activities for this position will include bacterial, fungal, and viral pathogen isolation, maintenance, multiplication, inoculation, disease scoring, data entry and management; establishing and maintaining greenhouse-grown plants; plant hybridizations; DNA-extraction and molecular marker assays; and presenting research results at local, regional and national meetings. This position will require a good knowledge of scientific principles. B.S. degree in Agronomy, Biology, Horticulture, Plant Science or related field and two years of experience performing similar tasks in the laboratory, greenhouse, and field is desired.  
To apply, visit [www.uidaho.edu/humanresources](http://www.uidaho.edu/humanresources) Closes 7/13.  
Announcement #17536061644. AA/EOE

### 209 General

**MARKETING COORDINATOR**

**TWIN FALLS**

**AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE**

The Twin Falls Area Chamber of Commerce is accepting applications for a **Marketing Coordinator** to begin ASAP. The Chamber is a non-profit business organization pursuing enhanced economic vitality and quality of life in the Twin Falls area. The successful applicant will coordinate special events and fundraising, assist with serving member businesses, coordinate use of online tools with membership including website content management and social networking, and develop and implement on-going marketing strategies to communicate with members and their customers. Salary is commensurate with experience.

Learn more about the position at [www.twinfallschamber.com](http://www.twinfallschamber.com)

To apply, send cover letter, resume, salary history and expectations, and references by 5pm on 7/6/10 to Twin Falls Chamber of Commerce, attn: Shawn Barigar, 858 Blue Lakes Blvd. N., Twin Falls, ID, 83301 or email to [shawn@twinfallschamber.com](mailto:shawn@twinfallschamber.com).

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Affordable Transportation available from Twin Falls, Filer, Hollister, and Rogerson

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**St Luke's Magic Valley NOW HIRING**

- Registered Nurses-** Full & part time positions available.
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  - Emergency Department
  - Operating Room
  - Inpatient Rehab Unit
- HR Director-** BA in HR or related field. PHR/SPHR Certification preferred. Previous experience required.
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- Inpatient Surgical Manager-** RN required. Previous experience required. Bachelor's degree in nursing strongly preferred.
- Histotech Coordinator-** 5 years experience in acute care setting. Registry or Registry eligible for HT/HTL (ASCP) or equivalent.
  - Clinical Office Position -** CMA, LPN or RN required with previous clinical office experience preferred.
    - St. Luke's Clinic Pulmonology
    - St. Luke's Clinic Physiatry
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**St Luke's Magic Valley**  
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We offer competitive salaries & an excellent benefits package. For a complete listing of open positions, or to complete an application, visit our website [www.stlukesonline.org](http://www.stlukesonline.org)

### EMPLOYMENT

#### 200 Work Wanted

**PUBLIC SERVICE MESSAGE**  
Federal Employment Information is free. Remember, no one can promise you a federal job. For free information about federal jobs. Call Career America Connection 478-757-3000

**STUDENTS FOR HIRE**  
Part-time jobs wanted  
Magic Valley High School  
Dependable, Honest, Diligent, Hard-working, Friendly, Positive, Willing Students  
After school & weekends.  
Contributing to the Community.  
Contact David Brown  
Cell 293-2062

#### 0202 Clerical

**CLERICAL**  
FT position with benefits avail. For front office receptionist for an agricultural business. Computer skills and light bookkeeping knowledge req. Pay DOE.  
Please mail resume to Kelley Bean Co.  
PO Box 146 Rupert, ID. 83350

**CLERICAL**  
Full-time position. Livestock data entry/trucking records.  
Send resume to box 934890 c/o Times-News P.O. Box 548 Twin Falls, ID 83303

**RECEPTIONIST**  
Busy Jerome company has an immediate opening for a FT Front Office Receptionist. Multiple line switch board, some computer work involved. Medical/dental/life insurance offered.  
Starting pay \$9.50/hr.  
Send resumes to box 94749 c/o Times News P.O. Box 548 Twin Falls, ID 83303

#### 206 Drivers

**CLASSIFIEDS**  
It pays to read the line print! Call the Times-News to place your ad 1-800-658-3883 ext. 2

**DRIVERS**  
Dot Transportation is now hiring Full-time Customer Delivery Specialists. As a family-owned company, we understand the importance of family. That's why our drivers average 2 days at home every week. You'll work regional routes with round-trip dispatch. That ensures you more personal time.

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•Clean driving record  
•HAZMAT after training

We are hiring in Burley ID  
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Or call (866) 845-1807



**Times-News Classifieds**  
208-733-0931 ext. 2

# JUMBLE

THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME  
by Mike Argrillon and Jeff Kuznek

Unscramble these six Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form six ordinary words.

CAMINA  
CLARIA  
SOPHIL  
SIFUNE  
GARNAL  
GLOBIE



Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

PRINT YOUR ANSWER IN THE CIRCLES BELOW  
Answers are on page Classifieds 8

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### 209 General

**GENERAL**

The City of Twin Falls is accepting applications for FIRE FIGHTER. The job announcement and application packet are available at [www.tfdid.org](http://www.tfdid.org). For additional information contact the Human Resource Office, (208) 735-7268, or direct email to [hr@tfdid.org](mailto:hr@tfdid.org). The City of Twin Falls is an Equal Opportunity Employer. Drug Free Workplace.

### 211 Medical

All advertising is subject to the newspaper's standard of acceptance. The Times-News reserves the right to edit, abbreviate, decline or properly classify any ad. Receipt of copy via remote entry (fax, e-mail, etc.) does not constitute final acceptance by this newspaper. The advertiser, not the newspaper assumes full responsibility for the truthful content of their advertiser message.

### NOTICES

**LANDS FOR LEASE**

**BIA ACCEPTING BIDS FOR BUSINESS, IRRIGATED FARM, DRY FARM AND/OR PASTURE LEASES**

The Bureau of Indian Affairs is now accepting sealed bids until NOON on July 27, 2010. Bid will take place at the Fort Hall Housing Authority at 1:00 PM for various leases on the Fort Hall Reservation. Bid forms and additional information can be obtained by contacting the Bureau of Indian Affairs at (208) 238-2305 or 238-2307.

PUBLISH: June 27, July 1, 4, 8, 11, 15, 18, 22 and 25, 2010

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709 Lincoln Ave.  
Jerome, ID 83338  
EOE

### NOTICE OF SALE

Storage Unit Auction to be held at Praxair Distribution Inc. 3135 Kimberly Road East, Twin Falls, ID 83301 on Friday, July 16, 2010 at 10:00 am. The following storage units will be sold at auction to help satisfy past due storage rent.

**Janene Owens, Unit 157**, 202 S 193 E Ave Lot 100, Tulsa, OK 74108. Personal Items

**Lueanna Hones, Unit 101**, 255 Blue Lakes N. PMB 582, Twin Falls, ID 83301. Personal Items

**Jessie McKean, Unit 154**, 1742 Poplar Ave., Twin Falls, ID 83301. Personal Items

**Wiley Thomas Unit 129**, 1024 Warm Springs Place, Twin Falls, ID 83301. Personal Items

**Doug Gaskill, Unit 124**, 3155 E 3200 N, Twin Falls, ID 83301. Personal Items

**William Clayton & Roy E. Clayton**, PO Box 49, Silver Springs, NV 89249. 1985 Chevy Corvette CP, 1G1YY0784F5126714

**Linda Sargent, Units 54, 92 & 94**, 123 Brooklane West, Twin Falls, ID 83301. Personal Items

PUBLISH: July 3, 4, 5 and 6, 2010

### SHEPHERDER

Experienced Shepherders wanted to fill 2 temporary positions, from 08/01/2010 to 07/31/2011. Requires workers to tend/move sheep flocks grazing on range; prevent animals from straying; protect flock from predators/bad weather; assist with lambing. Worker's will be on-call 24-hours a day/7 days a week including holidays. % of contract period guaranteed, starting w/arrival at worksite. Employer provides tools, supplies & equipment at no cost to worker; and, transportation & subsistence expenses to/from worksite. \$750 Monthly + Room & Board. 3 months experience and 1 verifiable reference required. Contact the nearest IDAHO Workforce Service Agency and reference job listing # 496271 Carol Bass, Fishfall, MT.

### 213 Professional

**PROFESSIONAL Program Coordinator**  
Needed for our Twin Falls office. Must have at least one year of Experience working with persons With mental retardation or other Developmental disability. Degree In Social Work, Special Ed, Nursing, Recreation, Psychology, OT, PT, or related field meeting The requirements of a QMRP. Salary DOE. Medical, Vision, Dental Insurance. Please submit Resume to: Inclusion South, Inc. Attention: Cathie Or Fax to 208-889-5520 Closing Date 7-11-10

### 210 Management

**BUSINESS MANAGEMENT**  
Growing Energy Company seeks Office Manager/Contract Admin. Contract compliance and administration. Coordination with 3rd parties. Good verbal and communications. MS Office Suite. 3 to 5 years exp. Knowledge of basic legal and contracts. Business degree preferred. Twin Falls County location. Email: [renungrp@yahoo.com](mailto:renungrp@yahoo.com)

### 0215 Sales

**SALES**  
We have an opening for an experienced Automobile Salesperson. We offer a great work environment and reasonable hours along with insurance plans. Apply in person to Randy Berry or Chris Willis at the new car showroom

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### PUBLIC NOTICE

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

**IMPORTANT**  
Please address all legal advertising to:  
**LEGAL ADVERTISING**  
The Times-News  
PO Box 548  
Twin Falls, Idaho  
83303-0548  
email to [legals@magicvalley.com](mailto:legals@magicvalley.com)

Deadline for legal ads: 3 days prior to publication, noon on Wednesday for Sunday, noon on Thursday for Monday, noon on Friday for Tuesday and Wednesday, noon on Monday for Thursday and noon on Tuesday for Friday and Saturday. Holiday deadlines may vary. If you have any questions call Ruby, legal clerk, at 208-735-3324.

### MANAGEMENT

Committed couple needed to manage motel. Living quarters included. 208-329-0075.

### NOTICE OF TAX DEED

Be notified hereby that Lincoln County has resolved to sell real property acquired by virtue of a tax deed by public auction. Auction starting bids will be for the amount of taxes, interest, penalty, and costs owed for said property that is described as follows:  
Parcel RP0111000010010AA, Taxpayer Mitch and Katie Smith Lot 1 Block 1 Six Mile North Subdivision located in Government Lot 1, SENE & NESE Section 2, Township 5 South, Range 17 East of the Boise Meridian

TEREPFORE NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on July 26, 2010 at 1:00 p.m. at the Lincoln County Courthouse, 111 West B Street, Shoshone, Idaho the Lincoln Board of Commissioners will sell the above described real property at public auction to the highest bidder for cash in lawful money of the United States of America. THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS HEREBY RESERVES THE RIGHT TO REJECT ALL BIDS AND SHALL HAVE DISCRETIONARY AUTHORITY TO REJECT OR ACCEPT ANY BID WHICH MAY BE MADE FOR AN AMOUNT LESS THAN THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF ALL DELINQUENT TAXES, LATE CHARGES, COSTS AND INTEREST WHICH MAY HAVE ACCRUED AGAINST THE PROPERTY SO OFFERED FOR SALE, INCLUDING THE AMOUNT SPECIFIED IN THE TAX DEED TO THE COUNTY. LINCOLN COUNTY DOES NOT GUARANTEE CLEAR TITLE AND ANY PROPERTY MAY HAVE LIENS OR ENCUMBRANCES. DATED THIS 30TH DAY OF JUNE, 2010, Lincoln County Commissioners, Liz Kime, Clerk.

PUBLISH: July 4 and 11, 2010

### GENERAL

**Shipping Administrator**  
Gooding, Idaho

Glanbia Foods is currently seeking a Shipping Administrator

Position duties and responsibilities include, but are not limited to:

- Troubleshoot and identify reasons for variances
- Ensure SAP is updated with the correct inventory figures each week
- Run SAP shipping or inventory reports as requested
- Proactive shipment of samples for extra lab testing per customer requirements
- Accurate and proactive allocation of lots to orders
- Accurate order processing
- Manage all paperwork and files appropriately
- Maintain shipping records
- Prepare product and documents for daily UPS shipments
- Update shipping guide/load patterns
- Maintain special shipping instructions for each customer in SOP book
- Prepare labels per special customer requirements and maintain label stock
- Maintain customer history files
- Prepare sample shipments for Monroe
- Investigate customer complaints relating to shipping errors and help gather information to establish root-cause and develop corrective actions to prevent a re-occurrence.
- Maintain excellent communication between the logistics, customer service, quality assurance, warehouse operations, etc.

Requirements include:

- A bachelors degree or an equivalent combination of education and experience
- Experience in at least one of the following order processing, warehousing and inventory management
- Willingness to work on call or after normal business hours

Glanbia Foods offers an excellent benefit and compensation program that includes medical, dental, disability, 401(k), vacation & personal days, and career advancement opportunities.

Apply on line at [www.glanbiausa.com](http://www.glanbiausa.com).

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The Times-News is seeking a professional advertising salesperson. The principal duty of this salesperson will be to sell "win-win" print, online and mobile advertising packages offered by the Times-News, [www.magicvalley.com](http://www.magicvalley.com) and a variety of specialty and niche publications.

**The Successful Candidate will demonstrate:**

- A natural inquisitiveness about what constitutes customer success and an ability to ask open-ended, thought-provoking questions;
- A pattern of success in marketplaces that are extremely competitive;
- The ability to consistently listen;
- An ongoing history of success in a fast-paced business;
- An assertive approach to achieving revenue and customer satisfaction goals;
- The ability to communicate personal, quantifiable components of customer service excellence;
- A solid commitment to ongoing self-improvement.

Past sales experience may be helpful but possessing innate curiosity and a competitive approach is far more important. The Times-News offers an excellent benefit package including medical, dental, vision, life, paid vacation and sick days, flexible spending account(s) and a 401(k) program.

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### PEOPLE FOR PETS

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**FOUND**

1. German Shepherd/Min Pin cross black/tan female puppy - found at 312 3rd Ave W.
2. Jack Russell/Border Collie cross black/white/tan female puppy found at 3544 N 3800 E in Hansen
3. Terrier/Poodle cross black adult male Highway 93
4. Border Collie cross black/white adult male found at the Golf Course near Victory Rd.
5. Rottweiler black/brown adult male 501 5th Ave. N.
6. Jack Russell white/tan adult female found at Washington St. S and Pheasant Dr.
7. Jack Russell/Border Collie cross white/black female puppy found on Filer Ave.
8. Beagle cross brown/white adult male blue collar found at 167 Rose St.
9. Border Collie cross black/white male puppy found at 1280 E 4475 N in Buhl
10. German Shepherd cross black/tan female puppy found at Malad Gorge State Park
11. Jack Russell/Chihuahua cross black/white male puppy found at 3700 N and Grandview
12. Pug/Chihuahua cross tan female puppy found at the Smiths parking lot

**ADOPTIONS**

1. Australian Shepherd cross grey merle - 1 1/2 year old spayed female
2. Beagle tri colored 4 year old neutered male
3. Border Collie/Jack Russell black/white/brown 5 mo spayed female
4. Border Collie/Pit Bull brown/black/white 2 yr female
5. Border Collie black/white 3 year old neutered male
6. Lab yellow 1 year old spayed female
7. German Shepherd cross brown/black 4 mo male
8. Australian Shepherd/Border Collie cross brown/sable/grey/black 6 year old neutered male
9. Doberman silver 5 year old neutered male
10. Border Collie/Heeler white/black 1 yr spayed female
11. Jack Russell white/tan 3 1/2 year old neutered male
12. Pug/Chihuahua cross tan 2 m old spayed female

Many cats/kittens for adoption [www.petfinder.com](http://www.petfinder.com)  
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Gooding, Jerome, Filer, Buhl, Wendell. 735-3241

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For line ads  
Tues. - Sat. - 1 p.m.  
the day before.  
For Sun. & Mon.  
2 p.m. Friday.

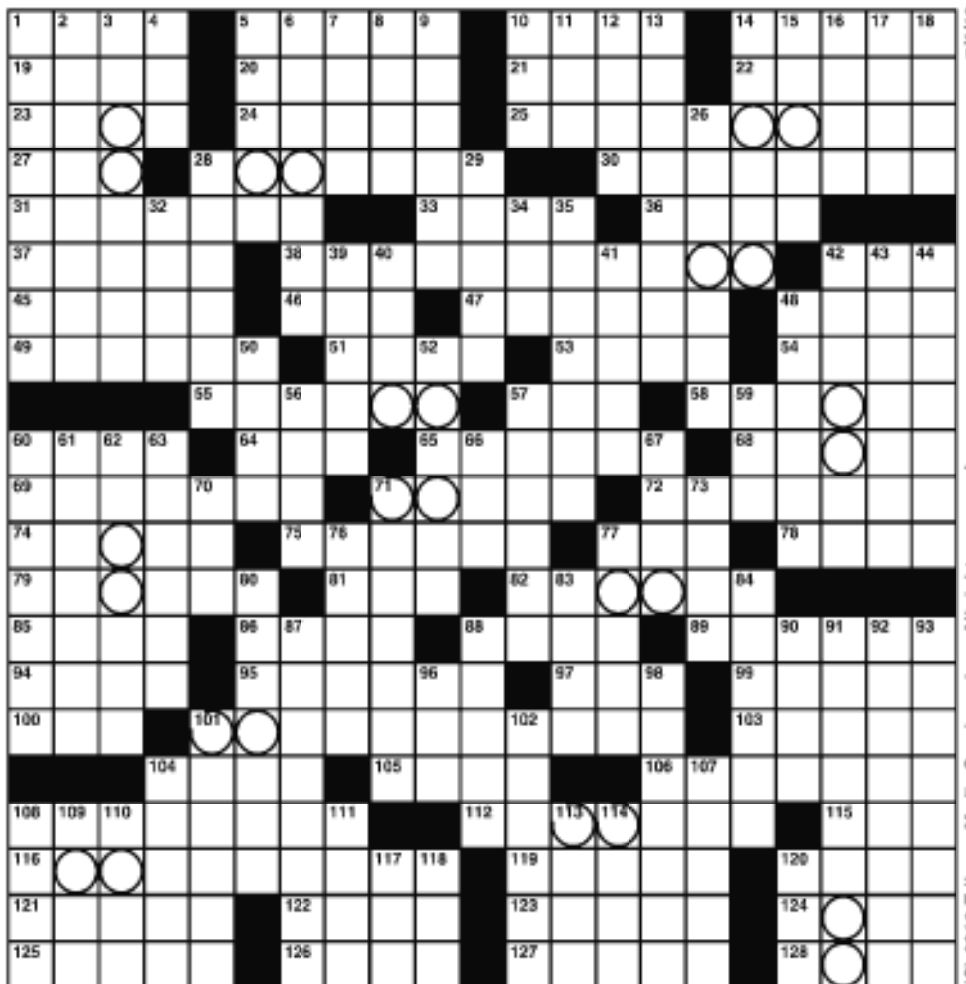
# Sunday Crossword

Edited by Rich Norris and Joyce Nichols Lewis

THE FIRST THIRTEEN By John Lampkin

**Across**

- 1 Painted Desert sight
- 5 Racetracks
- 10 Minuteman, e.g., briefly
- 14 Slip
- 19 Audio/visual production awards
- 20 Aspect
- 21 Birthplace of seven presidents
- 22 \_\_\_ the hole
- 23 Aide-de-\_\_\_
- 24 Appetite stimulant
- 25 "I only regret that I have but one life..." speaker
- 27 Therapists' org.
- 28 "Patriot Navy" vessel
- 30 Rembrandt choice
- 31 Chagrin symptom
- 33 Alleviate
- 36 Queen of the Nile, familiarly
- 37 Dental products brand
- 38 "1765 tax law"
- 42 Pickle
- 45 A.L. Rookie of the Year after Derek
- 46 Deviate from a course
- 47 Land bordering los Pirineos
- 48 Macbeth's burial site
- 49 Penned?
- 51 "\_\_\_ Yankees"
- 53 Clouseau's rank: Abbr.
- 54 Scorch
- 55 "Each circled pair is an abbreviation for one; all 13 are arranged in the roughly north-to-south order in which their representatives (except for John Hancock) signed the Declaration of Independence"
- 57 Poet's "before"
- 58 2010 Super Bowl champs
- 60 Boxer's outbursts
- 64 Scope
- 65 "Burr" and "Lincoln"
- 68 Menial position
- 69 "What's up?" in 47-Across
- 71 "Treaty of \_\_\_": 1783 war ender
- 72 Song syllables
- 74 Canceled
- 75 Fowl less fancy than her mate
- 77 Nonpro sports org.
- 78 Looker
- 79 Brewpub fixture



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- 81 \_\_\_-80: old computer
- 82 "1780 battle site"
- 85 Meadow mom
- 86 Bounce back
- 88 Lily used as food by Mormon pioneers
- 89 Abductor's demand
- 94 Minimally
- 95 Code for Burr and Hamilton
- 97 Indefinite amount
- 99 Washington portraitist Rembrandt \_\_\_
- 100 First word of Dante's "Inferno"
- 101 "1777-78 military camp site"
- 103 Western buds
- 104 Gp. of battalions
- 105 Paving stone
- 106 Waffles
- 108 Civilized
- 112 "Shot heard 'round the world" site
- 115 Palindromic peewee
- 116 "Article I mandate"
- 119 Astrologer Sydney
- 120 Indefinite amount
- 121 "...\_clock scholar"
- 122 "...to 'Enry ...": Cockney toast
- 123 "...\_man put asunder"
- 124 First Alaskan governor
- 125 Encumbered
- 126 Shoe spec
- 127 Laud
- 128 Desire
- Down**
- 1 "Yankee Doodle" word
- 2 1946-'52 first lady
- 3 "Beer named for a patriot"
- 4 Queen of the Nile biter
- 5 Joan \_\_\_
- 6 "Spice of life"
- 7 Slip \_\_\_: err
- 8 Tony of '60s golf
- 9 This puzzle's circled pairs, nowadays
- 10 Cyclotron bit
- 11 Taiwan tea
- 12 \_\_\_Honey: almond candy
- 13 Tribe allied with the patriots
- 14 Surgical knife
- 15 Allergic reaction
- 16 Bell sound that sounds like a portraitist?
- 17 Minuteman's home
- 18 Cabinet dept. with a lightning bolt on its seal
- 26 LIKE THIS
- 28 It's bought in bolts
- 29 Bolted down
- 32 Driving problem
- 34 Palindromic airline
- 35 Realms
- 39 Was wearing
- 40 Obi-Wan portrayer
- 41 Triptych third
- 42 "First chief justice"
- 43 France of France
- 44 Snickers cousin
- 48 Eaves dropper?
- 50 Seal soldiers
- 52 Birds that ape
- 56 Look follower?
- 57 Make manifest
- 59 Health org.
- 60 Atlantis dweller of comics
- 61 Fall behind
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**DEAR ABBY:** I am an 18-year-old male. When I was 15, I met a girl on the Internet. We talked pretty often, visited each other and had a lot in common. I fell in love with her, as much as a teenager can love someone. Eventually we hit some bumps in the relationship and she broke up with me. We have rarely spoken since.

Abby, even though it was a teenage relationship and it was over long ago, it still hurts. Is this normal? Could it be that I didn't get closure because we hardly talked afterward? It doesn't seem like it should still affect me as much as it does. I lack confidence when it comes to romance now.

**- UNCERTAIN TEEN IN BEAVERTON, ORE.**

**DEAR UNCERTAIN TEEN:** The problem with teen romances isn't that the people involved don't fall in love - hard - it's that they are growing so fast in so many different directions that the relationship is hard to maintain. That's probably what happened to your romance. And yes, it hurts, usually until you find yourself involved in another one. I'll tell you a secret: MOST people lack confidence when it comes to romance. But lasting love usually grows out of meaningful friendship. So open yourself up and you may be pleasantly surprised by how little time it takes.

**DEAR ABBY:** I work in a doctor's office. One of our patients makes a big scene if we do not address him by his title - "Reverend Smith." He has to tell everyone within earshot that he went to school for eight years to get that title. He insists that, out of respect, we should address him as such.

Abby, this man is not MY reverend. So far, I have avoided calling him this. Am I being disrespectful, or is he being pompous?

**- UNIMPRESSED IN LOUISVILLE**

**DEAR UNIMPRESSED:** You are not only being disrespectful, but also passive-aggressive. Because this patient has made clear that he prefers to be addressed by the title he has earned, you should use it.

**CONFIDENTIAL TO MY READERS:** Happy Fourth of July, everyone!





Today is Sunday, July 4, the 185th day of 2010. There are 180 days left in the year. This is Independence Day.

**Today's Highlight:**  
On July 4, 1776, the Declaration of Independence was adopted by delegates to the Second Continental Congress in Philadelphia.

## TODAY IN HISTORY

**On this date:**  
In 1802, the United States Military Academy officially opened at West Point, N.Y.  
In 1831, the fifth president of the United States, James Monroe, died in New York City at age 73.  
In 1872, the 30th president of the United States, Calvin Coolidge, was born in Plymouth, Vt.  
In 1894, the Republic of Hawaii was proclaimed. (Hawaii was annexed by the United States four years later.)

In 1910, in what was billed as "The Fight of the Century," black world heavyweight boxing champion Jack Johnson defeated white former champ James J. Jeffries in Reno, Nev.

In 1939, baseball's "Iron Horse," Lou Gehrig, afflicted with amyotrophic lateral sclerosis, delivered his famous farewell at New York's Yankee Stadium.

In 1946, the Philippines became independent of U.S. sovereignty.

In 1959, America's 49-star flag, honoring Alaskan statehood, was officially unfurled.

In 1960, America's 50-star flag, honoring Hawaiian statehood, was officially unfurled.

In 1976, Israeli commandos raided Entebbe airport in Uganda, rescuing almost all of the passengers and crew of an Air France jetliner seized by pro-Palestinian hijackers.

**Ten years ago:** Tall ships sailed through New York Harbor during OpSail 2000, celebrating Independence Day.

**Five years ago:** President George W. Bush, during an Independence Day visit to Morgantown, W.V., urged resolve in the war in Iraq and said that "the proper response is not retreat. It is courage." Hall of Fame football coach Hank Stram died in Covington, La. at age 82. Movie musical actress June Haver died at age 79.

**One year ago:** Former Tennessee Titans quarterback Steve McNair was fatally shot in a Nashville condo by Sahel Kazemi, who then killed herself. North Korea launched seven ballistic missiles into waters off its east coast. The Statue of Liberty's crown was reopened to tourists for the first time since Sept. 11, 2001. Serena Williams beat her big sister, Venus, 7-6 (3), 6-2 for her third Wimbledon title and 11th Grand Slam championship.

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Remza Jasarevic, left, and Marya Duncan are photographed at Twin Falls City Park on June 19. Duncan handed over her seamstress business in 2007 to Jasarevic, a Bosnian refugee who found work in Duncan's shop a decade ago.

# A tale of two women

How a T.F. seamstress and a Bosnian refugee changed each other's lives

By Rebecca De Leon  
Times-News writer

Two women sit in a restaurant booth, chatting and eating pie. Only once in a while does each woman glance away from the other's face to look at her plate or around the room.

Although four decades apart in age, they clearly have a strong bond.

Marya Duncan owned Imaginables, a small Twin Falls company providing costume-making and tailoring services. Three years ago, she handed over her company to Remza Jasarevic, who sits across the booth. Jasarevic still runs the shop at 1688 Kimberly Road, now called Remza's Alterations.

Duncan's gift was a token of a friendship which grew from unlikely circumstances.

Jasarevic came to the U.S. 11 years ago with her husband, Esef, and her two daughters, Advina, now 21, and Medina, now 18.

Having survived war in Bosnia, the family came to the Twin Falls refugee center looking for a fresh start.

"We didn't speak a word of English," says Jasarevic, 39. The refugee center provides incoming families with food, shelter, translators and English lessons for a short period before they are expected to begin fending for themselves.

Workers at the refugee center soon realized that Jasarevic knew how to sew — she had completed school in Bosnia to master that trade. So, accompanied by a translator and a tip from the refugee center, Jasarevic met Duncan for the first time in the fall of 1999.

"She came to me in a suit she made in Bosnia," Duncan says. Jasarevic laughs at the memory.

"Oh, yes!" Jasarevic says. "That's the first thing I noticed about her," Duncan says.

Duncan gave Jasarevic pre-cut fabric for a few outfits and

instructed her to sew them together and bring them back to the shop within five days.

"I was so bored, I just did them all overnight," Jasarevic says, giggling. "I didn't have anything else to do, so I say, 'Why not?'"

Duncan looked surprised when Jasarevic pulled the finished garments out of a box, but even today Jasarevic doesn't know what Duncan said. Within the hour, however, Duncan had a translator in the shop to offer Jasarevic seasonal work as a seamstress.

"I don't believe when she first gave me work," Jasarevic says. "I say to her, 'Nobody knows me, I'm from Bosnia!'"

"Yes," Duncan says. "But I helped her learn how to pronounce words in English. Like home-schooling, I guess."

Duncan, along with women volunteers from the First United Methodist Church, used books to help teach Jasarevic English during sessions a few times a week.

"She gave to me a list with what to say to people at the shop," Jasarevic says, laughing. "It had things like the name of the shop, how to say 'What can we do for you?' because I was so bad! Remember?"

"Yes," Duncan says, smiling. "I remember."

Jasarevic was working full time in the shop by 2004, and in 2007 Duncan decided to retire. Since the company's co-founder, Sarah Benton, had retired in 1999, Jasarevic was the only person to keep the business alive. So Duncan simply gave it to her.

The women laugh at the idea of Duncan selling the company to Jasarevic.

"We used each other's things," Duncan says, looking at her friend. "We never bought anything from each other, did we?"

"Nooo!" Jasarevic breathes, astonished.

"No, we didn't," Duncan says. "We are like sisters!" Jasarevic says. "We can't charge!"

Though Duncan is retired, the two women make it a point to meet at least once a week, and Duncan often stops by Remza's Alterations to visit her friend. Even now, they can't stop complimenting each other.

"People still ask for her," Jasarevic says.

"Remza has taken over so well," Duncan replies.

"I never took her sign off," Jasarevic says. "Imadjab? Imaginab?"

"Imaginables," Duncan says. Jasarevic laughs again.

"I can never pronounce right," she says.

Remza's husband, Esef, works as a bartender in Jackpot, Nev. Her younger daughter, Medina, was Canyon Ridge High School's first prom queen and plans to study at College of Southern Idaho to become a veterinary technician. Advina, the older daughter, attends CSI in pursuit

See **WOMEN**, Family Life 4



Courtesy photo

Rebeca Miramontes, 22, of Jerome is the Hispanic Heritage Scholarship Pageant's reigning queen from 2009.

## Here she is: Reina de la Fiesta!

By Rebecca De Leon  
Times-News writer

The Ninth Annual Hispanic Heritage Scholarship Pageant, set for July 31 at Twin Falls' Roper Auditorium, will highlight 17- to 21-year-old Latina women who demonstrate poise and have a vision to improve their lives and better the Latino community.

Contestants will compete for up to \$5,000 in scholarships and the honor of wearing the "Reina De La Fiesta" sash. The pageant encourages Latinas to continue their educations and showcase their talents, said founder Noel Morfin, associate pastor of Hispanic ministries at

First United Methodist Church.

Liliana Maciel, who participated in the pageant for three consecutive years, is now a Boise State University student about to earn a bachelor's degree in early childhood development. The 23-year-old attributes part of her success to the pageant.

"It's a great support for Hispanic girls because sometimes we don't get that support at home," Maciel said. "I was really shy, and it's helped me get through interviews for jobs and to get out and talk to people."

The pageant allows young



Liliana Maciel

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women who are married or single, with or without children, to apply.

"We wanted to put few restrictions on the girls," Morfin said about the applicants. "Unfortunately, a lot of them are high school dropouts. We wanted to give them the opportunity to restart the education process."

Nine years ago, Morfin started the pageant in Rupert as an afterschool program by the local

Methodist church. At the time, pageants hosted by the church were mostly for small children. Morfin recalls that when he spoke to a girl to encourage her participation, she replied that because she was Mexican she would not win.

"That planted the seed for this idea," Morfin said. "I thought Hispanic girls should have the opportunity to be a part of things like this, too."

The pageant gives scholarship money to contestants who win titles. The biggest scholarship goes to the queen, followed by first, second and third princesses. There is also a Miss

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# Diapers by design

## Pampers offers designer-brand diapers

By Dan Sewell  
Associated Press writer

CINCINNATI — The Procter & Gamble Co. is aiming to make disposable diapers fashionable.

Popular designer Cynthia Rowley has designed 11 styles of Pampers, including pastels, stripes, madras and ruffles. P&G said they'll be offered in Target Corp. stores beginning in mid-July.

Jodi Allen, a P&G baby care vice president, says in a statement that diaper performance comes first, but parents consider the look important, too.

Prettier diapers will be pricier. A pack of about two dozen of the toddler-size



diapers will have a suggested retail price of \$15.99, about \$6 above

plainer versions.

Pampers is the No. 1 worldwide brand in sales for the Cincinnati-based consumer products maker that also has Tide detergent, Crest toothpaste and other brands.

P&G spokeswoman Tricia Higgins said Wednesday the Rowley design diapers are expected to be sold throughout the summer, and possibly after, depending on their reception.

Dallas-based competitor Kimberly-Clark Corp. this spring launched U.S. sales of Huggies Jeans Diapers, giving babies' bot-

oms a denim style for the summer.

P&G's designer diapers all come with the company's new Dry Max technology. This year's debut of Dry Max, promoted as 20 percent thinner than previous diapers, has been plagued by consumer complaints that they can cause severe rashes.

The Consumer Product Safety Commission is investigating the complaints, which have also triggered lawsuits.

P&G says it has found no evidence that the diapers are more likely to cause rashes.

## Pageant

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Congeniality award.

"We try to spread it out so as many girls as possible receive something," Morfin said.

Funds for the scholarship and pageant come from donations from the First United Methodist Church and local banks, restaurants and businesses. Often, College of Southern Idaho will match the scholarship money won by its students, and other nearby colleges and universities sometimes match a percentage of the scholarship. Everyone involved with the pageant works as a volunteer.

Contestants are judged on talent, presence and poise (evening wear), physical fitness (sportswear), interview, impromptu question and one-page personal essay. Judging is most heavily weighted on the personal interview and the essay, whose topic is not disclosed until the first practice session.

"The emphasis is not on physical beauty," Morfin said. "No matter what you look like on the outside, we try to get to the core of the person."

The reigning queen from 2009, Rebeca Miramontes, 22, of Jerome, credits her talent as a large reason for her win. But she remained humble.

"Everybody gave their whole hearts just like I did," said Miramontes, who used the scholarship money to enroll in CSI to study marketing and business administration. "I consider myself very lucky. I feel very privileged."

Marcela Munguia, 21, of Buhl, participated in the pageant last year and is set to compete again this year.

"This year I won't be as nervous and try to work on my talent and essay because those are big points," Munguia said. The CSI student would like scholarship money to help her transfer to BSU and pursue a bachelor's degree in business and a career in human resources.

"It would be nice to have on a resume, and it's just a good experience to have," Munguia said. "I got to meet a lot of great girls and get involved with my community. I wanted to start networking; I want to talk to more girls about it to make it bigger."

The experience provides more to contestants than scholarship money — it offers a chance to build skills and confidence.

"We all hope to win," Munguia said. "Last year's winner, Rebeca, was really talented. When I heard her sing, I got chills. I thought, 'How am I going to compete with that?' But I got my scholarship money and I got to meet a lot of girls.

## THIS YEAR'S PAGEANT

- This year's pageant**
- **What:** Hispanic Heritage Scholarship Pageant.
  - **When:** 7-10 p.m. July 31.
  - **Where:** Twin Falls High School's Roper Auditorium.
  - **Cost:** Tickets are \$5 each. Kids under 12 get in free. Purchase tickets from any of the contestants or at the door.
  - **Contestants:** Aldana Acuna of Twin Falls, Michelle Arreola of Wendell, Rosa Bravo of Jerome, Cynthia Calderon of Wendell, Candy Camargo of Wendell, Mariah Cardenas of Burley, Jasmine Cruz of Twin Falls, Mary Gonzalez of Jerome, Jamie Guzman of Twin Falls, Sheree Haggan of Twin Falls, Paulina Lara of Jerome, Ivonne Martinez of Twin Falls, Lucy Mireles of Gooding, Marcela Munguia of Jerome, Yesenia Nieto of Twin Falls, Genesis Ortega of Buhl, Rachel Ramirez of Twin Falls, Brenda Renteria of

- Twin Falls, Yadira Veronica of Wendell, Amanda Villanueva of Twin Falls and Millicent Zarate of Gooding.
  - **Coming later:** The pageant precedes the Hispanic Heritage Fiesta, set for Aug. 14-15 in Twin Falls City Park. The annual fiesta brings the Latino community together with others in Magic Valley to celebrate and provide education about the Latino community, according to the event's website.
- The fiesta provides funding for pageant winners, and in return the queen and princesses perform at the fiesta and help with the Miss Chiquitita contest, a mini-pageant for girls ages 5 to 10.
- **Donations:** Want to contribute to the scholarship fund? Send donations to: Hispanic Heritage Scholarship Pageant, c/o Noel Morfin, 1260 Evergreen Drive, Twin Falls, ID 83301.

## BE A QUEEN

To get involved in next year's Hispanic Heritage Scholarship Pageant, attend this month's pageant for information. The new queen will deliver applications for participation to local high schools and to College of Southern Idaho shortly after the pageant. Call event coordinators Noel or Dana Morfin at 731-6836 or 731-1161 to have your name placed on a waiting list for contestants. Applicants must be between 17 and 21 years old, have a desire to continue their education and have a vision for improving the Latino community in their immediate area.

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— Noel Morfin, associate pastor of Hispanic ministries at First United Methodist Church

We all became great friends, and we still talk to each other. During the pageant, we're all in the same boat, and the girls see you at your weakest moment. We all just support each other."  
Advice for this year's contestants? Miramontes replied: "Go in it with an open mind and work your little hearts out because it pays off. It doesn't hurt to try — the overall experience is the best part of it."  
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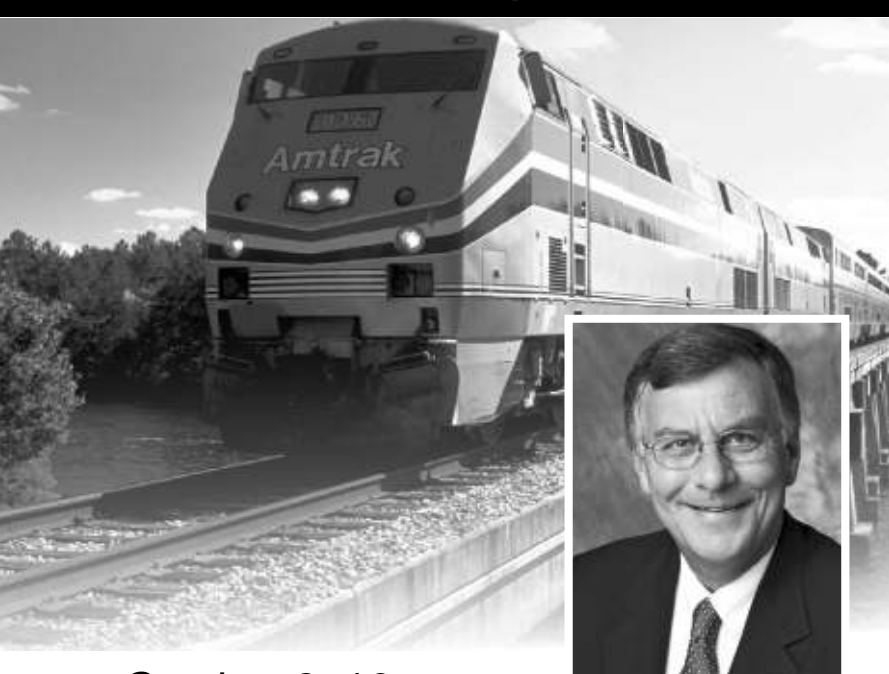
## STORK REPORT

### St. Luke's Magic Valley Medical Center

- Talon Matthew Lewis-Moser**, son of Morgan Lewis of Twin Falls, was born June 11, 2010.
- Kyson John Staffen**, son of Danika Nichole Kirk and Joshua Nathaniel Staffen of Jerome, was born June 15, 2010.
- Anahi Marline Martinez**, daughter of Fabiola Millan and Mario Martinez of Hazelton, was born June 18, 2010.
- Richard Allen Dearden III**, son of Lusua and Richard Allen Dearden Jr. of Jerome, was born June 20, 2010.
- Mayla Leonor Triana**, daughter of Adreanna Noel and Arturo Triana Jr. of Jerome, was born June 20, 2010.
- Damian Eduardo Andrade**, son of Elizia C. Flores and Jesus Eduardo Andrade of Murtaugh, was born June 21, 2010.
- Morgan Yoshihiro Atticus Peck**, son of Aimee Denise Kisayo Betts and Brian Scott Peck of Twin Falls, was born June 21, 2010.
- Kennedy Jordynn Carney**, daughter of Kallie Anna and Gary Kit Carney of Paul, was born June 22, 2010.
- Logan Allen Glenn**, son of Jennifer Brooke Astley of Twin Falls, was born June 22, 2010.
- Gianna Frances Haler**, daughter of Josie Rose Ann Harney of Twin Falls, was born June 22, 2010.
- Brooklynn Gene Hunt**, daughter of Kimberly Ann and Joshua Ryan Hunt of Bliss, was born June 22, 2010.
- Matthew David Rush**, son of Camela and Michael Brian Rush of Twin Falls, was born June 22, 2010.
- Declan Patrick Kennedy**, son of Kathleen Marie Kennedy of Twin Falls, was born June 23, 2010.
- Ezekiel James Solomon**, son of Rebekah Ann and Marty Anthony Solomon of Twin Falls, was born June 23, 2010.
- Chloe Jayne Weaver**, daughter of Stephanie Elizabeth and Travis Russell Weaver of Jerome, was born June 23, 2010.
- Athena Marie Bullock**, daughter of Connie Marie and Kyle Ernest Dewayne Bullock of Buhl, was born June 23, 2010.
- LaSayde Anahi Tinajero**, daughter of Melisa Elrina Rojas and Armando Tinajero of Wendell, was born June 24, 2010.
- Georgiy Khachatryan**, son of Ruzanna and Levon Khachatryan of Twin Falls, was born June 25, 2010.
- Dayton Andru Luna**, son of Kassie Hazi and Samuel Luna Jr. of Burley, was born June 25, 2010.
- Lilian Grace Fowler**, daughter of Sascha Valentine Crozier and Christopher William Fowler of Buhl, was born June 25, 2010.
- Peyton Aleesha Murillo**, daughter of Jami Angela and Byron Michael Murillo of Jerome, was born June 26, 2010.
- Marie Elizabeth Patten**, daughter of Laura Elizabeth and David Daniel Patten of Jerome, was born June 26, 2010.
- Harry Ruperto-Cordova Jr.**, son of Isabel Cordova-Hernandez and Moises Ruperto-Perez of Jerome, was born June 28, 2010.

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# Twists and ties

## Twenty-minute ritual helps make a girl look special

By Lonnae O'Neal Parker  
The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — Soon now, these days will be gone from me.

As I settle myself on the couch, my 11-year-old daughter, Savannah, brings me her hair basket: comb, water bottle, hair grease, barrettes. She plants herself on the floor, squarely between my knees, and I begin my work. There's the everyday hair-doing, but wash day takes more time, and slowly I separate the thick, kinky tangle growing from her head. I rub in a dollop of grease — Kemi Oyl or root stimulator lotion, but mostly just dark blue Ultra Sheen (I like the standards) — to make the hair obedient, and part it into sections, clipping each firmly to her head.

My hands are slower and gentler now than they were when she was younger and I was younger, with a career to chase, and an older daughter who had her own head of hair for me to do, and another baby yet to come.

Sometimes, if I was pressed for time, I could get by with a few surface brush strokes and a liberal application of gel to make the girls passably presentable, but it took 20 minutes of work to make them look special. Twenty minutes to make them feel pretty so that neighbors would comment on the straightness of their parts. Twenty minutes to be reassured that I'd sent my children into the world making clear that they were valued and loved. Twenty minutes. Every day. Minimum. Apiece. For me to feel assuaged that if one day, *please, God, no*, they suddenly disappeared, I could persuade the 24-hour cable networks that my girls really were worthy enough to be news — because, after all, black mothers can't recall a time when missing black women and children got national media attention.

Back then, when I craved only sleep, my children's tears — because there is an unassailable physical hurt to the pulling and detangling of black girl hair — often left me unmoved or impatient, or sometimes mingled with my own tired tears. Because, like my mother before me, I had so many other things to attend to.

My mother, a Chicago schoolteacher for 33 years, combed my hair and my sister's hair for 35 minutes every morning in her slip so as not to get hair grease on her work clothes. She reminds me of how much those mornings used to hurt. "You'd want to turn around and look at me with all this woe on your face so that maybe I would stop," Momma remembers. "But, you know, I couldn't stop, because you had to have your hair combed." And she had to get to work. And every two weeks, when she washed my hair, "it would be all over your head, like



MARVIN JOSEPH/Washington Post

Lonnae O'Neal Parker and her daughter Savannah, 11. 'Years ago, it was easy to lose sight that this ritual, this touching of my children every day, had an expiration date. But now ours is close.'



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Courtesy of the Parker family

'My mother, a Chicago schoolteacher for 33 years, combed my hair and my sister's hair for 35 minutes every morning in her slip so as not to get hair grease on her work clothes,' writes the author, shown here in 1973.

you had an afro the size of a small umbrella and that had to be pulled back down in something I could reasonably deal with.'

Years ago, it was easy to lose sight that this ritual, this touching of my children every day, had an expiration date. But now ours is close.

I begin at the nape of Savannah's neck and make my first row of two-strand twists small and precise. The style is much like the one that first daughter 11-year-old Malia Obama wore on her first day of school in Washington. For us, children favored by the sun, whose natural kinks want nothing more than to stand at attention all over our heads, this hair thing between mothers and daughters goes back to the beginning, and I wonder if Malia's momma washes and twists her hair on Sunday afternoons, too. Or if the first lady knows how quickly this time with our girls slips away. Probably not. When our oldests are still young, we think they'll stay that way forever.

With more than an hour of parting and twisting ahead, and no place for either of us to go, Savvy and I talk. She wants to know if she can go to school for fashion design and if I like the

name Harlowe for a girl. She tells me how she's the guitarist for "Black Dragon," the rock band she's formed with Nia and Alexis, although she can't play guitar, and how none of the Goosebumps books are scary, but "in terms of creepiness," "Chicken, Chicken" is worse than "Ghost Beach." She says she started reading "The Diary of Anne Frank" and that it made her angry that the Jews had to give the Nazis their bikes.

Such is the nature of hair space in my house; it is a time for rumination and a time for prattle.

"Mommy, I don't want you to call me Savvy anymore. My new name is Sav Sav," Savannah announced to me one day. "And I don't want you to call me Savannahsaurus Rex. My new nickname is Sav Sav Rex."

Sometimes, over barrettes and tonics, we go deep.

It was hair time on the green couch when my oldest daughter, Sydney, then 5, came to the realization that she was different from the girls on the commercials; that her hair would never reach for her waist. "Even when I get older?" She cried; I cried; her godmother, Dana, cried.

It is, for little black girls, that "For Whom the Bell Tolls" moment when Miss Clairol comes for you. When you are just old enough to realize what the culture prizes as beautiful and just old enough to know that you aren't it. Non-black mothers whose daughters have ample thighs or flat chests or who fret about the shape of their eyes doubtless know the moment. But black people are the only ones in the world with black people hair, so our daughter's pain is ours alone. It is a moment when even a mother's love is not nearly enough comfort, but it's the only balm we have.

Savannah, whose hair is longer and curlier than Sydney's, was more resigned

in her hair epiphany. She wondered why hers was so kinky. As the children's book says, we are "Happy to Be Nappy," I tried to explain to her cheerfully, but Savannah was skeptical. Nappy hair is hard to comb, she said, and wondered why she should be happy that her hair was hard to comb. "But OK, whatever."

"Did they have color television when you where a kid?" Savannah asks, breaking my reverie. I murmur affirmations as I twist. I chime in when appropriate or, under the guise of detangling, rhythmically knead my fingertips in her scalp until her eyelids start to fall. My daughter is right there on the brink of growing up, already showing signs of the woman she'll become. Her legs are longer now, and her T-shirts no longer lay flat against her ribs. My features are becoming more pronounced in her face. I keep rubbing, prolonging our time as I listen to her words or her sweet, untroubled silence.

As it happened with her sister before her, I will lose this intimacy with my last daughter to friends and parties and, worst of all, to boys and, eventually, men and children; to people who will come to mean more to her everyday life than I ever will again. I have been such a harried mother with Savannah, so distracted by the constant demands of husband and career and other children, and now, just as I'm looking up, my youngest daughter is almost beyond the old rituals. So I rub her scalp for the times I combed her hair hard, for the times I rushed through her kinks too quickly, for the times I yelled when I wish I had whispered. For the time I spanked her harder than I meant to for erasing an hour-long interview I had typed on my computer. I grease her hair and rub her scalp.

Let this be the hand she remembers.

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**MOM SPEAK**  
A BLOG BY SHELLEY BONNES

**Road trip tale**

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**By Linda Searing**  
Special to The Washington Post

**Quick Study**

## The topic: Pregnancy

### Sugary colas may complicate pregnancy

#### THE QUESTION

Might sugar-sweetened drinks lead to gestational diabetes?

#### THIS STUDY

It analyzed data on 13,475 women who were pregnant in a 10-year span, including 860 who developed gestational diabetes. Women who reported drinking the most sugar-sweetened colas before becoming pregnant (more than five servings a week) were 22 percent more likely to have developed gestational diabetes than were women who drank the fewest sugar-sweetened colas (less than one serving a month). No increased risk was found for drinking other sugar-sweetened beverages or for drinking diet beverages.

#### WHO MAY BE AFFECTED?

Pregnant women. As many as 8 percent of pregnant women in the U.S. develop gestational diabetes, which occurs when glucose (sugar) levels in the blood become too high. It can cause complications during pregnancy and delivery, including babies that are too large or have respiratory problems, and can contribute to the development of diabetes later in life for both mother and child.

#### CAVEATS

Data came from the women's answers on periodic questionnaires, but information was not collected during pregnancy, when diet changes might have occurred. Nearly all participants were nurses, who might have been healthier than the average person.

#### FIND THIS STUDY

It's in the December issue of Diabetes Care.

#### LEARN MORE

Learn about gestational diabetes at [www.diabetes.niddk.nih.gov](http://www.diabetes.niddk.nih.gov) and [www.acog.org](http://www.acog.org).

*The research described in Quick Study comes from credible, peer-reviewed journals. Nonetheless, conclusive evidence about a treatment's effectiveness is rarely found in a single study. Anyone considering changing or beginning treatment of any kind should consult with a physician.*

## Women

Continued from Family Life 1 of a nursing career.

"I don't have a story without her," Jasarevic says, motioning toward Duncan. "Bosnia was so nice before the war, but then everything was destroyed. It was not fun. I was worried for my daughters. There was no future for my kids, no jobs, no money, no help. It was very hard."

"When Remza came, she knew how to sew, but she didn't know about business," Duncan says. "But she learns quickly."

"I'm very happy," Jasarevic says. "She gave me everything here. If it weren't for her, I wouldn't be here. I feel like 'thank you' isn't enough. I feel like I need to

do something to say thanks."

The women softly argue over whose turn it is to cover the tab, each insisting on paying. Jasarevic wins the battle of kindness, and both get up to leave.

Duncan walks slowly to avoid intense hip pain. Jasarevic gently cups her elbow and walks next to her. The two friends take a moment to enjoy the beautiful weather before Jasarevic opens the passenger door to her car and offers a hand as Duncan slides onto the seat.

The women smile at each other as the car pulls away.

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AP photo/Grace Bay Resorts

Caribbean conch salad. Brides and grooms hoping to add some good fortune to their marriages have some interesting options to consider when planning a wedding feast.

## Cake, crickets and other 'lucky' wedding foods

By Melissa Kossler Dutton  
For The Associated Press

Brides and grooms hoping to add some good fortune to their marriages have some interesting options when planning a wedding feast.

Many cultures around the globe have identified foods for newlyweds that supposedly will bring good luck, fertility or other blessings.

The foods range from fried crickets to candied almonds to fish.

Attaching symbolism to food is a common practice throughout the world, said Amy Bentley, associate professor of food studies at New York University.

"All rituals and holidays and celebrations involve food," she said. "This is somewhat universal."

In Mexico, brides and grooms sometimes dine on fried crickets, lentil soup, and a bean, rice and agave dish, said Beatriz Mejia, director of celebrations at One and Only Palmilla resort in Los Cabos, Mexico. The crickets and the rice dish are said to bring fertility and good luck, and the soup is associated with good luck and good fortune, she said.

The resort has seen growing interest from couples outside of Mexico in the foods and traditions of the region, she said.

"Couples today are seeking a more personalized and authentic experience when they host a destination wedding that is reflected in both the food and venue," she said.

Brides and grooms discussing their celebrations on the wedding website TheKnot.com also seem more interested than before in incorporating traditional elements into their plans, said Rebecca Dolgin, an executive editor for the site. "Couples reaching into their own culture is more popular now," she said. "Incorporating culture is creating a buzz on the message boards."

Often, foods are considered lucky because of shape, color or taste, Dolgin explained.

Italians serve almonds at weddings because their bitersweet taste represents life, she said. The almonds are sugarcoated to wish the couple more sweetness than bitterness.

Common at a Chinese wedding is whole fish, because the Chinese word for fish sounds similar to the word for abundance, Dolgin said.

"The Chinese also believe that eating spring rolls will bring wealth and prosperity," she said. "Due to its color and size, it is also thought to

In Mexico, brides and grooms sometimes dine on fried crickets, lentil soup, and a bean, rice and agave dish.

resemble gold bars."

Moroccan couples also eat fish because it's an ancient symbol of fertility, she said.

Fish appears on the menu at many weddings, added Pam Frese, a professor of anthropology at the College of Wooster in Ohio. Fish and other white meats, such as turkey and chicken, are common wedding foods because of old beliefs that women had whiter blood than men, she said. White meats were thought to strengthen women's blood, so they were served at weddings to energize the bride.

"It was extra strength to her on her wedding night so she can become a mother," Frese said.

In Caribbean countries, special attention is paid to the groom's sexual performance on the wedding night, said Caitlin Austin, a spokeswoman for Grace Bay Club in the Turks and Caicos. Grooms are encouraged to eat the pistil of a conch "to increase their drive," she said. "The conch's pistil is viewed by locals as nature's Viagra."

Conch meat also is commonly served to wedding guests because islanders believe it's an aphrodisiac, she said.

Wedding cake, one of the oldest elements of a wedding banquet, also has connections to luck and fertility. "The traditionally accepted practice is for the bride to have the first bite; otherwise, she'd be childless and barren," Dolgin said.

Early English cakes were fruit cakes, and brides used to count the number of raisins in their piece of cake to see how many children they would bear, Frese said.

"The cake has power," she said. "It promises productivity."

Wedding cakes changed in texture and appearance in the 1920s, when lighter cakes with fluffy, creamy frosting became more popular. But the symbolism remained, Dolgin said. The white cake represented the bride's purity. The decorations of flowers and other signs of spring are meant to represent birth and new life, she said.

"It's this little bubble of nature in the middle of a wedding," Frese said. "It's the promise of fertility that's embedded in spring."

## Doctors' group now encourage swim lessons for tots

By Beth Whitehouse  
Newsday

There's a new recommendation from American Academy of Pediatrics about swimming lessons for young children.

Until this spring, the academy had discouraged

lessons for children ages 1-4 because of a concern parents might be less vigilant about supervising a young child who had had some swimming lessons. However, the academy cites "new evidence" that while those children may not actually master swimming

yet, they may be less likely to drown if they have had swim instruction.

The AAP still doesn't recommend swimming lessons for children younger than 1 because no scientific study has demonstrated the classes are effective in teaching an infant to swim.

And it emphasizes that parents should "never — not even for a moment!" leave small children alone or in the care of another young child near water, even if the child has had lessons. Lessons should be one more layer of protection, the academy says.

# Celebrations

## Engagements

### Bernsen-Horwedel

Rick and Sandra Bernsen of Jerome, and Gary and Connie Hoffman of Ketchum are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter, Lisa Nicole Bernsen to Jason Vernon Horwedel, son of Gale Horwedel of Jerome. Lisa's maternal grandparents are Bill and Pat Brooks, also of Jerome.

Lisa graduated from Jerome High School in 2003 and Boise State University in 2009. She works as a kindergarten teacher for the Twin Falls School District. Jason is a 1998 graduate of



Lisa Nicole Bernsen and Jason Vernon Horwedel

Pacific High School in San Bernardino, California. He works as a field technician for Cable One, in Twin Falls.

The wedding is planned for July 24th, 2010 at the Blue Lakes Country Club in Twin Falls.

### Koch-Culbertson

Delno and Sandy Koch of Burley are pleased to announce the upcoming marriage of their daughter, Erin Jacobi Koch to Tyler Matthias Culbertson, son of Brent and Toni Culbertson of Twin Falls.

Jacobi is a 2007 graduate of Burley High School. She received her drafting degree through CSI and is continuing her education at CSI in the Engineering program. She is currently employed at McClure Engineering in Twin Falls.

Tyler is a 2004 graduate of Twin Falls High School. He is currently attending CSI seeking a degree in Computer Network Systems. Tyler is currently



Erin Jacobi Koch and Tyler Culbertson

employed by the College of Southern Idaho. The couple will make their home in Twin Falls.

The wedding is scheduled for Saturday, July 10, 2010, at the Sweetheart Manor in Burley. A reception will be held in their honor at the Sweetheart Manor beginning at 6:30 pm following the ceremony.

### Schmid-Brown

Dr. & Mrs. Stephen Schmid of Twin Falls announce the engagement of their daughter, Sarah Kathleen to Cory Baker Brown, son of Mr. & Mrs. Gregory Brown of Twin Falls.

Sarah Kathleen received her Juris Doctor from the University of Idaho School of Law in May 2010.

Cory graduated with an engineering degree in 2009 from BSU.

The wedding is planned for Saturday, August 7,



Sarah Kathleen Schmid and Cory Baker Brown

2010 in Stanley, Idaho at Sawtooth Meditation Chapel.

They will reside in Boise, ID.

### Spafford-Lau

John and Becky Spafford of Twin Falls, Idaho are pleased to announce the upcoming marriage of their daughter Joylyn Faith Spafford to Daniel Keith Lau.

Joylyn graduated Twin Falls High School. Then she attended College of Southern Idaho and Idaho State University. Joylyn is currently working with Idaho Central Credit Union.

Daniel graduated from Lake City High School. Then he attended Spokane Falls Community College. Daniel is currently working with Costco.



Joylyn Faith Spafford and Daniel Keith Lau

The wedding is on Saturday July 10, 2010 at the Coeur d'Alene Wedding Chapel. The reception will follow.

The couple currently resides in Pocatello, Idaho.

### Wildman-Godfrey

Walter and Debbie Wildman, of Twin Falls, announce the engagement of their daughter, Erin Garnet to Logan Lance Godfrey. Logan is the son of Lance and Kendra Godfrey of Kimberly.

Erin is a 2008 graduate of Twin Falls High School and 2010 graduate of College of Southern Idaho. She is enrolled in the CSI Technical Baking Course for the coming year.

Logan is a 2005 graduate of Kimberly High School and has attended BYU Idaho and CSI, seeking a degree in Secondary Math Education. He completed a two year mission for the

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Erin Garnet Wildman and Logan Godfrey

Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in the Oklahama Tulsa mission.

The couple will be married in the Twin Falls Idaho LDS Temple on Saturday, July 10, 2010. A reception will held in their honor that evening at the LDS Church at 229 Park Avenue in Twin Falls from 6:00 to 8:00 pm.

## Anniversaries

### The Heaths

Lerry and Janice Heath, of Glens Ferry, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary with a trip to the Oregon Coast. They were joined by their daughters and son-in-laws, Julie & Bill Winter and Debbie & John Bergh, along with grandchildren BriAnna Winter, Dustin Ogden, Richard Ogden & Charlie Winter, cousins Sheila, Sheryl & John Williams and very special friends Robin Schmidt and Suzi & Larry Kellar.

Lerry & Janice were married June 25th, 1960 at the Methodist Church in Boise, Idaho. They were educated and worked in the electronics industry in Salt Lake City, Los Angeles



Janice and Lerry Heath

and the Seattle area. They moved back "Home" to Glens Ferry, Idaho in 1977 and owned and operated Idaho Circuit Technology and Heath Electronics until 2005.

Lerry currently works for Rural Telephone and Janice is self-employed/retired. In their spare time to do a little golfing, gambling, fishing, and relaxing at the cabin in Featherville.

### The Newbrys

Ron and Peggy Newbry of Twin Falls, Idaho will celebrate their 50th anniversary at the Turf Club in Twin Falls on Sunday July 11, 2010 from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. No gifts please. Your presence is our gift.

Ron graduated from Jerome High School in 1958. Peggy graduated from Twin Falls High School in May, 1960. They were married July 2, 1960 in Winnemucca, Nevada.

Ron worked for First Security Bank of Jerome when they married and soon after went to work for Young's Dairy and stayed through many transitions and retired after 37 years from Darigold. He then worked for the Twin Falls School District for 3 years.

Peggy is a housewife and enjoyed caring for their two sons Doug of Trabuco



Peggy and Ron Newbry

Canyon, California and Jeff of Twin Falls. She also did crafts for 20+ years and enjoys bowling, being on the same league for 35 years.

Ron and Peggy have enjoyed being snowbirds in Arizona for 10 years. They also enjoy dancing, traveling, camping and just enjoying all the wonderful people in their lives!

They also have 4 grandchildren, MacKenzie and Hailey of California and Jordan and Tyler of Twin Falls.

### The Rairighs

The children of Bill and Martha Rairigh wish to announce an open house for their 50th wedding anniversary. It will be held at the Shilo Inn Hotel in Twin Falls, Idaho on July 11th, 2010 from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m.

They were married on July 13th, 1960 and have lived in Twin Falls for the past 37 years. They are the parents of 4 children - Kathy (Bobby) Noyes from Ketchum, Christy (Steve) Brehm from Twin Falls, Sherry Romans from



Martha and Bill Rairigh

Twin Falls, and Scott (Beth) Rairigh from Boise. They have 7 grandchildren and 1 great-grandson.

Please stop by and celebrate with us. No gifts, please.



Welcome home, baby

How different cultures celebrate birth in Twin Falls.

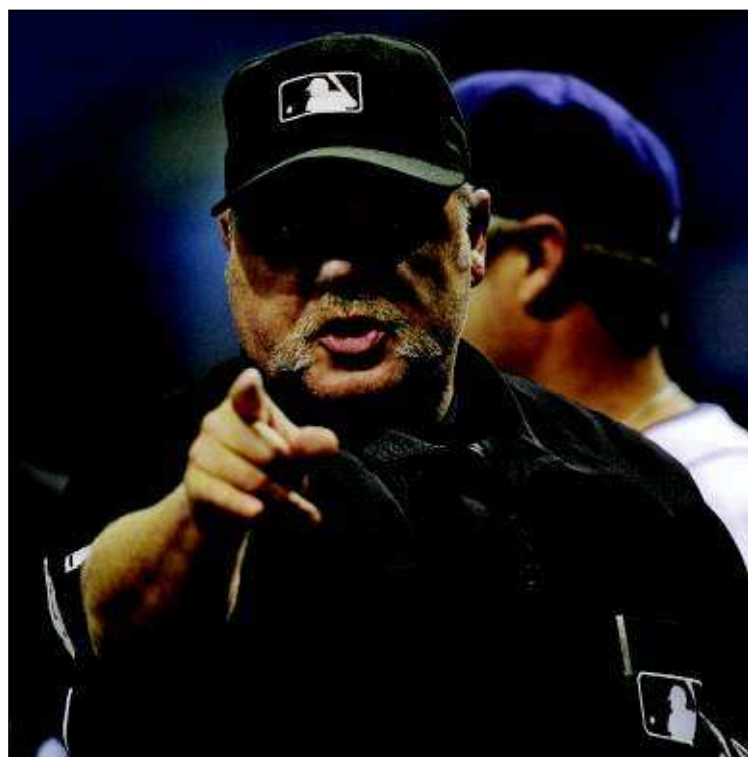
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# Kids Only

## When referees BLUNDER



Jim Joyce's bad call took away a perfect game from Detroit pitcher Armando Galarraga.

### Are bad calls just a part of the game?

By Fred Bowen  
Special to The Washington Post

"Wake up, ref. You're missing a good game."

At almost every sports event, whether it's a kids' game or the pros, somebody complains about the referee's or umpire's calls. Recently, a few calls in big games have upset a lot of people.

Detroit pitcher Armando Galarraga almost became the 21st pitcher in the history of major league baseball to throw a perfect game. That's when a pitcher faces 27 batters in nine innings and gets them all out. No hits, no walks, no errors.

Galarraga had set down the first 26 Cleveland Indians batters. The 27th hit a ground ball, and Galarraga ran over to cover first base. But the first base umpire, Jim Joyce, said the runner had beaten Galarraga and the ball to first base and called the runner safe. Galarraga pitched to the next batter, the last of the game, and got him out.

After the game the umpire saw film of the play, and admitted he had made a mistake. The runner had been out. But the umpire's original call meant Galarraga lost his chance for a perfect game and



U.S. soccer players Jozy Altidore, left, and Michael Bradley, right, argue a call made by referee Koman Coulibaly, of Mali, in Johannesburg, South Africa, on June 18. Coulibaly's call took away an apparent goal in a game against Slovenia.

AP photos

a place in baseball history.

When the United States played Slovenia in the World Cup soccer tournament, Slovenia jumped to a 2-0 lead at the half. The United States battled back to tie the score at 2-2. Late in the game, American forward Maurice Edu appeared to put his team ahead by volleying the ball into the back of the Slovenian net. But the referee, Koman Coulibaly from the African country of Mali, waved off the goal, calling a foul on the U.S. team.

I know close calls are frustrat-

ing. But there are things that kids and their parents should remember about the games we play and watch.

First, it is not easy to be a referee or an umpire. They have to make calls without any slow-motion instant replays. If all the fans who grumble about calls actually tried to be a referee or umpire, there might be fewer complaints.

Refereeing a World Cup soccer game reminds me of refereeing a basketball game for 8-year olds. If the referee called every foul, the

players would hardly have a chance to play. I watched the replay of the controversial kick in the U.S.-Slovenia game, and it looked as if everyone was grabbing and pushing near the goal. The referee could have called 10 fouls!

Finally, players often are more understanding about close calls than fans are. The U.S. soccer team didn't let tough calls stop them. They played harder and won a dramatic 1-0 game against Algeria.

And despite losing a chance at a

perfect game, at the start of the next game, Galarraga shook the umpire's hand. He understood that everyone in sports — players, coaches and umpires — makes mistakes.

Close calls, and even bad calls, are part of the game. Nobody's perfect. But Armando Galarraga was perfect for 28 straight batters.

*Fred Bowen is the author of 14 sports books for kids, including "Soccer Team Upset" and "Dugout Rivals."*

## Scientists discover new animal species

By Margaret Webb Pressler  
The Washington Post

It is an incredible accomplishment for a scientist to discover a new species. A group of scientists recently discovered several remarkable new species in a remote, mountainous area of Indonesia, including a new pointy-nose frog, a colorful pigeon, a tree mouse and the world's smallest wallaby.

But to find these critters, just staying alive was an accomplishment, too.

"It was scary, and I was frightened," said Bruce Beehler, of Conservation International, one of the scientists on the expedition, which also included scientists from National Geographic and the Smithsonian Institution. Rainy weather combined with the treacherous terrain put the team members' lives in danger on multiple occasions, Beehler said. Flash floods popped up out of nowhere, raging rivers had to be crisscrossed on foot, and helicopters almost couldn't make it in to get the crew off the mountain. Of course, in the end, the payoff was great. And the group's remarkable discoveries offer a great lesson about how little we really know about the Earth and its treasures.

"There's a lot of nature that's hidden away from us that we don't know anything about," Beehler said.

## Why you sometimes get dizzy when you stand up

By Howard Bennett  
Special to The Washington Post

Has this ever happened to you? You're lying in bed on a Saturday morning thinking about how great it is that you don't have to get up for school. When you stand up to go to the bathroom, you feel dizzy and have to sit down.

What you just experienced was a temporary drop in blood pressure that occurred because your blood "pooled" in your legs as you stood up. Once your brain realized it wasn't getting all the blood (and oxygen) it needed, you felt dizzy and sat down to prevent yourself from fainting. While this was happening, your nervous system made rapid adjustments to increase your blood pressure so you could get to the bathroom.

Your nervous system is broadly divided into two parts. The system that gets the most attention is the conscious part. This allows you to think,



plan and manipulate your environment. It is your conscious brain that allows you to do your homework or procrastinate about it.

Your body also has something called the autonomic (pronounced au-to-NO-mic) nervous system. This is the part that takes care of things that you don't ever think about, such as heart rate, digestion and perspiration. Some parts of the nervous

system, such as breathing, can be under conscious or unconscious control.

As far as the circulatory system goes, your autonomic nervous system monitors how much blood pressure is needed to keep things moving. If you ever felt your heart pounding after you got dizzy, it was because adrenaline increased your blood pressure.

When you lie down, it is

easier for your heart to pump blood through your body because it doesn't have to work against gravity. As a result, your blood pressure drops a bit. When you stand up, things change rapidly. The autonomic nervous system sends out signals telling the arteries in your arms and legs to constrict (tighten) so blood can get back to the heart and be pumped to your brain and the rest of your body. A delay causes dizziness.

Here are a few situations that increase your chances of getting dizzy when you stand up:

- **Being sick.**
  - **Not** having had enough to drink and getting dehydrated.
  - **Not** eating breakfast.
- If you ever feel dizzy, sit down right away until the feeling passes.

*Howard Bennett is a Washington pediatrician and author of health-related books for kids.*