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# TIMES-NEWS

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## Suspended lawyer allegedly duped Idaho clients

### Washington state man may have had no right to take immigration cases

By Bradley Guire  
Times-News writer

#### NEED HELP?

Clients of Theodore Mahr may contact Idaho Legal Aid Services' Twin Falls office, 734-7024.

A Washington state-based attorney is accused of working with clients in Idaho despite being suspended from practicing law by multiple state and federal courts.

The nonprofit Idaho Legal Aid Services says it has received multiple complaints from clients of Theodore "Ted" Mahr, who was suspended from practicing law by the Washington state and Oregon bar associations and the Board of

Immigration Appeals, a federal court under the U.S. Department of Justice. Furthermore, Mahr is not licensed by the Idaho State Bar to practice law.

Erik Johnson, Caldwell-based Idaho Legal Aid Services migrant unit director, said that four clients

reported Mahr to the nonprofit and the Oregon Law Center within a two-month span this summer. He said their claims include that Mahr is taking cases and their money without disclosing his suspended status.

"We've received calls from people that he's not doing anything (while working their cases)," Johnson said. "I had one call (the week of July 12-16). The Oregon Law Center got a few, and I heard of another from the Twin Falls area."

Mahr has an office listing for

Moses Lake, Wash., but that number is now disconnected. He could not be reached for comment.

Mahr was suspended from practicing law by the Supreme Court of Washington state for three years on Nov. 10, 2009. Following that, the Disciplinary Counsel for the Executive Office for Immigration Review petitioned for his suspension before the Board of Immigration Appeals and the Immigration Courts, both federal courts, and the Department of Homeland Security. That petition

was granted on Jan. 27.

Part of the decision ordered Mahr to disclose his suspended status in writing to current clients.

On March 25, the Oregon Supreme Court also suspended Mahr from practicing law for three years.

According to the Oregon State Bar's May 2010 bulletin, "The stipulation consolidated 18 separate matters in which Mahr engaged in a variety of misconduct during his representation of 21 clients, most of whom he represented in immigration matters. In virtually all the

See **ATTORNEY**, Main 7

## CASSIA CONSOLIDATED



Photo illustration by SANDY SALAS/Times-News

Various Mini-Cassia county officials help Cassia County operate a consolidated model of governance that includes cooperation with officials from Minidoka County and Cassia County's various cities.

## County boasts streamlined services, but does the effort reduce costs?

By Laurie Welch  
Times-News writer

#### FISCAL YEAR 2010 PER-CAPITA COSTS

LAW ENFORCEMENT	
Jerome County	\$145
Cassia County	\$221
PUBLIC SCHOOLS	
Jerome County	\$1,394
Cassia County	\$2,454

Per-capita costs based on 2009 U.S. Census Bureau population estimates

BURLEY — Idaho is a network of 44 counties, 124 public school districts and 200 incorporated cities.

Its web of governance and overlapping public entities ranges from multi-billion-dollar federal agencies to the smallest of city councils.

Many operate as they have for generations, under guidelines that will likely last for decades more. But as federal and state purse strings continue to tighten, Idaho's public agencies are beginning to hear calls for consolidation of staffing and services.

In the Magic Valley, Cassia County offers one face of consolidated government in Idaho. Its five incorporated cities share one major law-enforcement agency, one school district and one jail, jointly operated with Minidoka County.

At the heart of any consolidation effort is the reduction of administrative costs and duplication of services. But for many, the question remains: is less actually more when it comes to Idaho's daily operations?

In fiscal year 2010, Cassia County budgeted to spend \$4.97 million for law enforce-

ment and adult detention services — \$76 more per county resident than neighboring, unconsolidated Jerome County spent on the same services across the \$3.08 million combined budgets of its county sheriff's office and the Jerome Police Department.

Both Magic Valley counties are home to about 21,000 residents, though Cassia County covers more than four times as many square miles as its northwestern neighbor. While potential additional pitfalls and costs are associated with providing services to such a large geographic area, 16-year Cassia County Commissioner Paul Christensen said consolidation has served the county well.

See **STREAMLINED**, Main 5

## Cassia consolidated: Inside the numbers

By Laurie Welch  
Times-News writer

BURLEY — The crux of making any valid comparison rests in finding two similar subjects which remain unique enough to make their comparison interesting.

For "Cassia Consolidated," we compared Cassia and Jerome counties for their geographic proximity and similar population bases, along with their differing approaches to governance of law enforcement, adult detention and public education services.

While Cassia County has taken a consolidated approach to provide those services under a county-wide umbrella that is in some cases shared with Minidoka County, Jerome County operates under a more familiar model in the Magic Valley, with governance of many county- and city-level services split between the county and its incorporated cities.

One important aspect of any model of governance is its cost to deliver services. To compare those costs between Cassia and Jerome counties, we combined the 2010 budgeted service costs for every public law enforcement, jail and school agency within each county. We then divided that cost by each county's 2009 U.S. Census Bureau population estimate to establish the per-capita cost of service for each county.

In comparing public education costs, out-of-county students served by each school district

See **NUMBERS**, Main 5

## Mexico justice means catch and release

### Most drug suspects, assassins are let go due to lack of evidence

By Julie Watson  
and Alexandra Olson  
Associated Press Writers

CIUDAD JUAREZ, Mexico — It's practically a daily ritual: Accused drug traffickers and assassins, shackled and bruised from beatings, are paraded before the news media to show that Mexico is winning its drug war. Once the television lights dim, however, about three-quarters of them are let go.

Even as President Felipe Calderon's government touts its arrest record, cases built by prosecutors and police under huge pressure to make swift captures unravel from lack of evidence. Innocent people are tortured into confessing.

The guilty are set free, only to be hauled in again for other crimes. Sometimes, the drug cartels decide who gets arrested.

Records obtained by The Associated Press showed that the government arrested 226,667 drug suspects between December 2006 and September 2009, the most recent numbers available. Less than a quarter of that number were charged. Only 15 percent saw a verdict, and the Mexican attorney general's office won't say how many of those were guilty.

The judicial void is a key reason why Mexican cartels continue to deliver tons of

See **MEXICO**, Main 4



DREW GODLESKI/Times-News

Evan Downard waves to spectators as he drives to the starting line during the Sun Valley Road Rally, a fundraiser for the Blaine County Community Drug Coalition, Saturday near Ketchum.

## Ketchum highway becomes raceway for a good cause

By Laura Lundquist  
Times-News writer

For a few hours Saturday, Idaho Route 75 near Ketchum resembled a car commercial.

It was the usual advertising scene: a two-lane blacktop, lined only by trees and sage brush, angling

through an unpopulated mountain valley, and not a car in sight. The open stretch of road was unnaturally silent for a summer weekend.

Then a red car appeared where the road topped a slight rise, and the silence

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### MEXICAN DRUG WAR

Police free reporters nabbed by cartel > **Opinion 4**

# MORNING BRIEFING

## Pat's Picks

Three things to do today

Pat Marcantonio



• Pig wrestling, rodeo, carnival and lots more are found at the Jerome County Fair and Rodeo, at the fairgrounds through Aug. 7.

• Meanwhile, the Lincoln County Fair concludes at the fairgrounds with 4-H/FFA animal and exhibit removal and a 4 p.m. tractor pull.

• Visit the Idaho gem that is Redfish Lake. If you

haven't been there before, prepare to have your breath taken away. If you are revisiting, it is always a glorious sight. Call 774-3376 for more info.

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

## It's the crown of creation, and it's not you, fella

Today is Sunday, which is a day of rest for men but a day of HGTV for women.

And at the end of the day, our significant others will have two words for you guys: crown molding.

Crown molding is fancy plastic, plaster or wood you nail to the wall at the point where it meets the ceiling. It's everywhere these days, and every woman wants crown molding.

And take it from a guy who flunked algebra: Installing crown molding is akin to taking an advanced calculus class at Cal Tech. Consider this entry from the website www.install-crown.com:

"Using a protractor makes finding the acute angle, such as 45 degrees X 45 degrees X 90 degrees inside crown on a coffered ceiling, easier.

"Then you can read the scale for the mitre cut which is the angle bisected ...

"Add that mitre cut to the jigs angle (a 45-degree jig is the easiest to make), they add up to 67.5 degrees.

"The mitre cut in this case, is 90 minus the 45 jig 45 + 2 (bisect) 22.5 degrees."

Uh-huh. I blame the old basic-cable home improvement show, Trading Spaces. That's where my wife fell truly, madly, deeply in love with crown molding.

The format of the program, you'll recall, was getting two couples to switch houses and remodel one room with the help of a highfalutin designer. They had just \$1,000 and 48 hours to work with.

The designer — usually the much-despised Hildi Santo-Tomas or Doug Wilson — would breeze into a room, cast a scornful eye and proclaim, "Let's install crown molding!"

Even with a professional carpenter and a support team, that process took

## DON'T ASK ME

Steve Crump



\$993 and 47 1/2 hours, after which time the designer would proclaim, "I don't like it."

Crown molding comes from Roman Doric architecture, but installing it in a room of any style says to visitors: "I'm gosh-darn pretentious, and proud of it."

Its chief purpose in redecorating, I'm convinced, is to cover up the fact that you got wall paint on the ceiling and ceiling paint on the wall.

The biggest problem is that you have to use a mitre saw for crown molding. Only 14 people in the world know how to do that properly.

A mitre saw is an expensive tool capable of cutting off your thumb while you're taking it out of the box. And unless you're Bob Vila or Ty Pennington, there's gonna be trouble.

(A mitre, for those of you who avoid picking up a hammer or a screwdriver at all costs, is a joint cut at a 45-degree angle to join another 45-degree-angle joint to form a corner). The probability of getting the cut wrong is off the charts.

But even if you get the cut right, it's easy to install crown molding upside down and backwards. Doing so causes your spouse to compare you unfavorably to a potted plant.

That's why I go to great lengths to distract my spouse from HGTV, up to and including cleaning the garage and inviting her to watch.

That's not always possible. Victoria's favorite show is Holmes on Homes, a Canadian program on HGTV in which the host, Mike Holmes, goes into houses that contractors have screwed up and fixes them.

A recent episode found Mike standing in the living room of a house telling the homeowner what a lousy job was done in putting in his crown molding. He even suggested reporting the contractor to local building authorities.

That was unfortunate. The homeowner had installed the crown molding himself.

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

## TODAY'S HAPPENINGS

### ARTS AND ENTERTAINMENT

**Heart and Soul concert**, featuring Buhl High School alumni Greg and Glenda Bostock, 10 a.m. and 6 p.m., Calvary Chapel, 1004 Burley Ave., Buhl, with music, multimedia and testimonies, no cost, but freewill offering taken, 543-9959.

**King's Witnesses**, a southern-style gospel music group to be featured guests, 10 a.m., Magic Valley Worship Center Church, 302 Third Ave. E., Twin Falls, public welcome, no cost, 732-6089.

**Jerome Senior Center's public dance**, with music by Melody Masters, 2 to 5 p.m. at 520 N. Lincoln St., \$4, 324-5642.

### BENEFITS AND FUNDRAISERS

**Sun Valley Summer Symphony's annual benefit concert**, featuring country music legend Garth Brooks, 6:30 p.m., Sun Valley Pavilion, lawn seating tickets sold out, limited number of reserved tickets for \$500 (includes preconcert cocktail reception, 5 p.m. at Sun Valley Lodge Terrace), 622-5607 or svsummersymphony.org.

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### FESTIVALS AND FAIRS

**Lincoln County Fair**, concludes, 7 a.m. 4-H/FFA animal and exhibit removal; and 4 p.m. tractor pull, fairgrounds, Shoshone, free admission, 886-2406.

**Camas County Fair and Rodeo**, American Legion breakfast, 8 to 11 a.m., 10:30 a.m. to noon, church in the park, 1 to 4 p.m. music in the park, 5 p.m. ICA Rodeo (entry fee), Fairfield, [toluv1bug@yahoo.com](mailto:toluv1bug@yahoo.com).

**Jerome County Fair and Rodeo**, continues with the Junior Rodeo, 7 p.m., DePew Arena at the fairgrounds, rodeo tickets: \$5 for adults, \$3 for seniors and children 6-12, no cost for children 5 and younger, 324-7209 or [Jeromecountyfair.com](http://Jeromecountyfair.com).

### MUSEUMS

**Rock Creek Station and Stricker homesite**, guided tours, 1 to 4 p.m., 3715 E. 3200 N., Hansen, the store, built in 1865, was the first trading post in Magic Valley, no cost, 731-3895.

**To have an event listed**, please submit the name of the event, a brief description, time, place, cost and contact number to [Mirela Sulejammovic](mailto:Mirela.Sulejammovic@magicvalley.com) 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.

## Teen injured after being hit by car

Times-News

A 14-year-old boy was taken to the hospital with serious injuries after being hit by a car Saturday in Hazelton.

A little after noon, Lisa Hensdell, 44, of Hazelton was driving a 1993 Ford Probe eastbound on State

Highway 25, according to a news release issued Saturday evening by the Idaho State Police. For some reason, she swerved to the right and struck a 14-year-old boy walking along the road. The boy's body broke through the windshield of Hensdell's vehicle and was then thrown to the side of

the road, according to the news release.

Hensdell left the scene of the crash, claiming she knew she hit something but didn't know what. She returned to the scene after emergency personnel had arrived.

The boy, who's name was not released, was transport-

ed to St. Luke's Magic Valley Medical Center, where he was being treated for full-body trauma, according to ISP.

Charges against Hensdell are pending, according to ISP. Alcohol is not believed to have been a factor. The incident is still under investigation.

## OREGON SEASHORE FUN



People play on the beach Saturday at Tolovana Beach State Park in Cannon Beach, Ore.

AP photo

## Funding for arts center coming together

By Ben Botkin  
Times-News writer

Dollar by dollar, the money's coming together for the new Twin Falls Center for the Arts.

In its latest round of fundraising, the goal of \$100,000 was slightly exceeded. That leaves just \$189,000 more to raise for the \$1.4 million project, said Robin Baumgartner, the center's project coordinator.

The project is being spearheaded by

the Magic Valley Arts Council.

"The fundraising's been going well," she said, adding that public awareness is helping. "We do still have a ways to go."

She said that the high number of individual donations is appreciated, regardless of the amount.

"That shows the community cares about the project," Baumgartner said. "We do want to be a facility for the community."

There's another chance to give that's coming up. A "pay what you

can" concert for the project's fund is scheduled for 7 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 14 at the College of Southern Idaho Fine Arts Auditorium.

The performance will be by Richard Glazier, a pianist whose program is called "From Gershwin to Garland" that has songs like "Embraceable You," "Love is Here to Stay," and "Rhapsody in Blue."

There's no set admission; attendees can donate whatever amount they desire.

For more details: 734-2787.

## >>> COMING THIS WEEK IN THE TIMES-NEWS



### Running with the Weenies

Tips from Twin Falls running group help *Times-News* employees Eric Larsen and Amy Huddleston gear up for Rim 2 Rim.

MONDAY IN HEALTHY & FIT



### Feng shui fantasies

Remodeled Kimberly garden provides spiritual escape.

TUESDAY IN HOME & GARDEN



### Diet and disease

How Magic Valley diabetics overhaul their cooking and eating.

WEDNESDAY IN FOOD



### Canoeing the Snake

A first-time canoeist paddles the Snake River.

THURSDAY IN OUTDOORS



### Growing in spirit

Filer church grows in spirit and numbers.

SATURDAY IN RELIGION

### Free clinic

A well-known musician in the jazz world shares her inspiration with Magic Valley residents.

FRIDAY IN ENTERTAINMENT

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David Stone drives by at 185.4 mph in a 2005 Ford GT during the second annual Sun Valley Road Rally on Saturday near Ketchum.

## Rally

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was broken by the sound of a powerful engine with its throttle full open. The red Ferrari blazed by unfazed sheriff's deputies and was gone, adding another \$1,500 to the coffers of the Blaine County Community Drug Coalition.

The Ferrari was one of 14 cars, ranging from a Viper to a Mini Cooper, allowed to race at Autoban speeds during the second running of the Sun Valley Road Rally, a fundraiser for the drug coalition. Terry Basolo, drug coalition executive director, said they will use the money to increase the health of the community starting with the youth, so they sponsor programs such as Big Brother Big Sister and Idaho Drug Free Youth.

One of around 30 volunteers, Lynn Seifert has checked drivers in at the Wood River turnout staging site for two years. Seifert is a teacher at the Silver Creek High School, an alternative school for at-risk children, which is supported by the coalition.

"The coalition does a lot for our kids so this is a way for me to return the favor," Seifert said.

The rally wasn't likely to attract the average gearhead with a \$1,500 entry fee to race 2 miles. Drivers wanting to improve their times could run in a second heat for \$1,000 and a third for \$500.

Basolo said 14 drivers made 30 runs last year, raising around \$40,000. One of the drivers even entered a Toyota Prius that clocked 108 mph. Half the drivers were returning this year for a second adrenaline shot.

David Stone, owner of the Sun Valley Auto Club, returned this year to race his 2005 Ford GT. As a drug coalition board member, Stone said he had the idea for a road rally fundraiser.

"We were trying to find people who had money to donate, and guys who own these cars have money," Stone said.

Stone worked with Blaine County Sheriff Walt



A 1967 Ferrari P4 using a 250 chassis pulls into the staging area after its run during the second annual Sun Valley Road Rally held on state route 75 near Ketchum on Saturday afternoon.

Femling to use a straight section of Highway 75 after their bid to use the county airport was rejected. Stone said their goal is to get 30 drivers.

Last year, Stone's Porsche topped out at 149 mph, and he's raced for car commercials. But that doesn't mean he wasn't nervous as he grabbed some water to relieve his dry mouth before the second heat.

"I'll do three runs so I'll take it easy," Stone said. "I'll shoot for 175."

Before each heat, traffic that had backed up the highway was allowed to pass through the course. Last year, the rally start time was 9 a.m. but it was pushed back to 11 so more people could get up to the mountains before the road was blocked, Femling said.

Around 150 spectators lounged in the sage near the 2-mile point of the course. Once the traffic was through and a deputy drove the course, Stone led the heat of three cars. The engine roared as he passed the two laser beams that measured his speed. "189.4" appeared on the large scoreboard facing the crowd and the sound of applause replaced the engine noise.

Sitting in the audience was a nervous Karen Willey. Her husband Frank would be racing a GT 500 for the first time in the fourth heat. She worried about her husband after seeing Stone's speed.

"When you see that, it's a

little unsettling," Willey said. "It's kind of nutty but it's for a good cause."

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## Lightning causes fire south of Oakley

Times-News

Fire crews were trying to contain a blaze Saturday evening south of Oakley.

The Dry Gulch fire was started by lightning late

Saturday afternoon, said Julie Thomas, spokeswoman for the Sawtooth National Forest.

She said the fire, which by 9 p.m. had burned 27 acres in grass, brush and

pinyon juniper, was being fought by three fire engines and a 20-person crew.

Thomas said Saturday night that there was no estimated time of containment.

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# Mexico

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marijuana, methamphetamines, heroin and cocaine onto U.S. streets.

"It in effect gives them impunity," U.S. Ambassador Carlos Pascual told the AP, "and allows them to be able to function in ways that can extend themselves into the United States."

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Mexico's justice system is carried out largely in secret and has long been viciously corrupt. Add a drug war that Calderon intensified, and the system has been overrun. Nearly 25,000 people have died in the war to date, and the vast majority of their cases remain unsolved.

The AP obtained court documents and prison records restricted from the public and conducted dozens of interviews with suspects' relatives, lawyers, human rights groups and government officials to find out what happened after suspects were publicly paraded in key cartel murder cases.

In Ciudad Juarez, where a war between two cartels over trafficking routes killed a record 2,600 people in 2009, prosecutors filed 93 homicide cases that year and got 19 convictions, the AP found. Only five were for first-degree murder, court records show, and none came under federal statutes with higher penalties designed to prosecute the drug war.

"They never charge anyone with homicide because they don't have the evidence, they don't have proof," said Jorge Gonzalez, president of the public defenders association. "They just show them to the media to give the impression that they're solving cases."

Soldiers in Juarez routinely announce to the public that suspects have confessed to a shocking number of murders.

Hector Armando Alcibar Wong, known as "El Koreano," killed 15, they said. But a year after his August 2009 arrest, authorities don't even know where he is. Chihuahua state officials say they handed him over to federal authorities; the attorney general's office says it never had him.

Soldiers told the media in 2008 that Juan Pablo Castillo Lopez was tied to 23 killings. He was never charged with homicide and was freed from state prison less than a year later. The army quickly arrested him again, saying he killed two more people within three days. Nine months after that, he still doesn't face a homicide charge.

Oswaldo Munoz Gonzalez, known as "El Gonzo," admitted to killing 40 people, according to the joint police-army operation in Ciudad Juarez. His family says he was tortured into that confession. Eight months later, he hasn't been charged with a single homicide either.

Munoz was first detained in 2008 and accused of aggravated robbery but he was released after prosecutors failed to present enough evidence.

Two months after he was released, authorities say they nabbed Munoz during a traffic stop, and found drugs and guns in his truck.

His sister, Petra Munoz Gonzalez, says they're lying — he was dragged from his home while his wife and two young daughters watched. She says her brother, a taxi



AP photo

In this June 7 file photo, alleged drug cartel members stand handcuffed as they are presented to the media in Guadalajara, Mexico. An Associated Press investigation has found that three-quarters of the drug suspects arrested since Mexico's President Felipe Calderon declared war on the cartels have simply been let go.

driver and occasional bus driver with a third-grade education, does not drink or use drugs.

Munoz's family didn't know where he was until they saw him paraded on television days later, with guns and drugs in front of him.

"He told me, 'I never killed anyone,'" Petra Munoz said. "He said he confessed because he had been tortured. He told me they put a bag over his head so he couldn't breathe and gave him electric shocks down there (on his genitals) and beat him until he fell over in pain. Who would endure that?"

"I just ask that the truth be told," she added. "Why haven't they presented proof, or witnesses, or anything that incriminates him? It's been almost a year."

Chihuahua authorities say they can't discuss open cases. Mexico Attorney General Arturo Chavez declined several AP requests for comment.

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The attorney general's records show the same pattern of catch and release in all states where Calderon's government sent federal police and soldiers to crush the cartels.

In Baja California, home to the border city of Tijuana, nearly 33,000 people were arrested but 24,000 were freed. In the northern state of Sinaloa — the cradle of the powerful cartel by the same name — more than 9,700 were detained, but 5,606 freed. In Tamaulipas, birthplace of the Gulf cartel, nearly 3,600 were detained while 2,083 were freed.

Calderon first launched his military assault in December 2006 in his home state of Michoacan, deploying thousands of troops shortly after a new cartel called La Familia rolled five severed heads onto a nightclub's dance floor.

Since then, federal forces have arrested more than 3,300 drug suspects. Nearly half have been released.

In 2008, drug traffickers in Michoacan lobbed hand grenades into a crowd celebrating Mexico's independence. Eight revelers died, including a 13-year-old boy, making it one of Mexico's highest-profile murder cases. Police and federal authorities arrested three suspects within 10 days. None of the men had criminal records. All three confessed.

But at least 16 people say the three men weren't even there.

The witnesses — next-door neighbors, relatives, bar owners, waitresses, a corner store owner and a doctor — told authorities they saw all three that night in Lazaro Cardenas, more than 300

miles from the colonial square in Morelia where the attacks occurred, according to interviews and statements obtained by the AP.

Neighbor Gloria Ortiz and her daughter, Selene, told the AP they had dinner with one of the men in his cramped living room. Juan Carlos Castro, a mechanic who loves to cook, invited them over for a favorite dish — stewed pig's feet in chili sauce — and discussed a menu for Selene's 15th birthday party, which Castro had offered to cater.

Edith Franco, a Lazaro Cardenas doctor, testified under oath that she had dinner with Julio Cesar Mondragon at her mother's taco restaurant that night.

Three days later, Castro's wife, Esperanza Fajardo, was told that gunmen had taken

him away in a car. She reported a kidnapping to police.

Three days after that, Mondragon was kidnapped as he washed his car outside his house. His wife said she heard her husband scream for help, but by the time she rushed to the window he was gone.

Alfredo Rosas' girlfriend said he was abducted in a similar way two days later.

The next time the three women saw them, the men were being paraded in front of television cameras in Mexico City by federal police, who identified them as terrorists and members of the Zeta drug cartel.

Castro was cut and bruised. Mondragon's face was black-and-blue. Rosas, who was wearing a hospital robe, had five broken ribs and a black eye.

"At that moment, you cry, you scream. You feel impotent," Fajardo said. "I said, 'How is it possible that they are accusing him of something he didn't do?'"

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Even Mexico's president admitted the court system is inept recently as he touted a new judicial system that Mexico has begun to adopt.

"It fosters injustice, impunity and corruption," Calderon wrote on the presidential website. "We need a profound change and that's why we have begun an unprecedented effort to modernize and redesign our legal system."

That effort, with aid from the United States, started under a constitutional amendment passed by the legislature, approved by all 32 states and signed by Calderon in 2008.

Under the old system, defendants are presumed guilty until proven innocent, proceedings are carried out almost entirely in writing, and judges usually rubber-stamp whatever government prosecutors and investigators hand them. Without public scrutiny, mistaken arrests, bungled investigations and false confessions are commonplace.

With the reform, defendants are presumed innocent until proven guilty; police must investigate crimes and collect evidence before making arrests; a panel of judges decides whether there is enough evidence for the case to proceed, and trials are argued orally in courts open to the public.

The law calls for the changeover to be completed by 2016. The U.S. Agency for International Development has provided training in forensics, interviewing and courtroom arguments to 550 Mexican prosecutors. Some 5,000 federal police officers have taken basic investigation courses, also with U.S. funding. The Obama administration is requesting \$207 million in its 2011 budget for judicial and government reforms in Mexico.

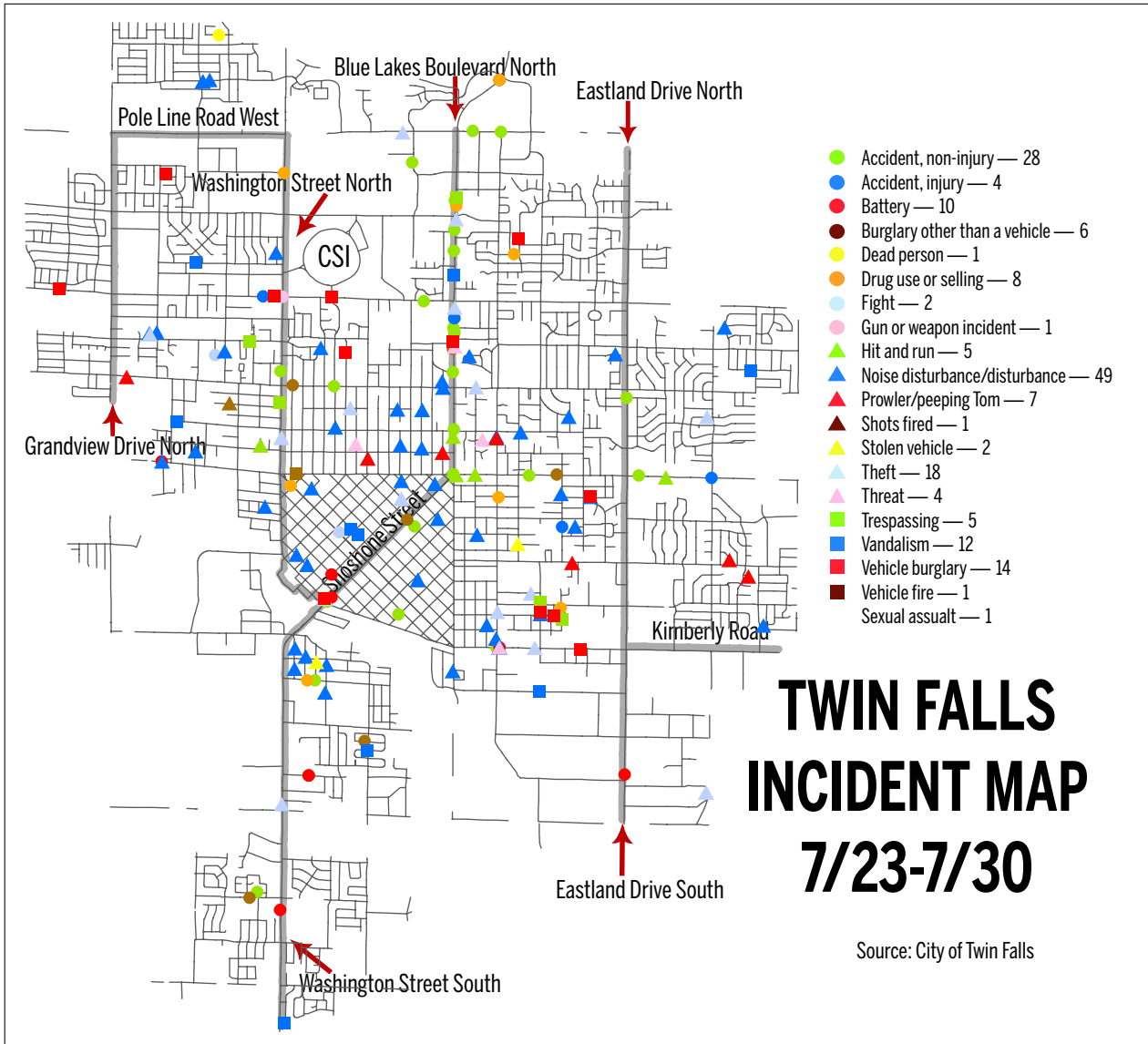
The new system was piloted in Chihuahua state, home to Ciudad Juarez, in 2007 — just before the Sinaloa and Juarez cartels began their bloody war to control drug routes into the United States. All Chihuahua prosecutors and judges were trained in the new techniques.

But even state prosecutors say the drug war has stymied the new system.

Soldiers, who under Mexican law can't do police work, routinely bring in evidence such as illegally obtained confessions that judges are forced to throw out.

"The numbers of arrests increased tremendously but the numbers of prosecutions virtually didn't change," noted Pascual, the U.S. ambassador.

Since the reform was implemented, 98 officials who had received training — police investigators, forensic experts, prosecutors — have been assassinated by gangs, said Carlos Gonzalez, spokesman for the Chihuahua attorney general's office.



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# Streamlined

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"From my perspective it's been good and at the end of the day the taxpayers are the winners," Christensen said. "There is no squabbling over jurisdictions and no duplication of administrative costs."

The county's consolidation of law-enforcement services reached a milestone in 1986, when the Burley Police Department merged with the county sheriff's office. The next step came in 1991, when the county entered a joint-powers agreement with neighboring Minidoka County for operation of the Mini-Cassia Criminal Justice Center in Burley. The county also partners with Minidoka County for juvenile detention, misdemeanor probation and juvenile probation services, and shares a public defender.

Christensen said the joint effort hasn't come together without struggle.

"But the positives outweigh the negatives," Christensen said.

## Keeping all happy

Mark Mitton, Burley's city administrator for the past 12 years, said the city wasn't always entirely satisfied with county-provided law enforcement services. But for the past couple of years, he said, the situation has improved.

Mitton said Cassia County's sheriff — an elected official who doesn't answer directly to Burley administrators — has to be in tune with the city's priorities for consolidation to work.

"(The county) hasn't always been responsive to the needs of the city," Mitton said. "When you have a city department and you direct them to do something, they go do it."

Mitton said ordinance enforcement and general patrol have sometimes been lacking, but added that since Sheriff Randy Kidd took office in 2009, city officials have been satisfied with received services.

In 2010, Burley's \$1.5 million portion of the county law enforcement budget exceeded the \$1.4 million in property tax revenue expected to enter the city's general fund. The remainder is funded through other city revenues, which totaled more than \$5 million in 2009, according to a city audit.

Mitton said he still thinks operating law enforcement jointly with the county saves money.

Minidoka County Commissioner Lynn Hunsaker said the jail partnership has allowed both counties to provide high-quality adult and juvenile detention facilities.

"You are dividing a fixed cost by more people," Hunsaker said.

The drawback, Hunsaker said, is trying to keep everyone happy. Most of the joint ventures of Cassia and Minidoka counties have operated smoothly, he said, but the adult jail has been a little more problematic.

The crux of the problem, Hunsaker said, stems from how some jail costs are based on the number of inmates each county sends to the jail. The pendulum sometimes swings off-center, leading one county to attempt to monkey with the funding formula when it starts paying more than it's used to, he said.

"But nobody has ever suggested that we separate," Hunsaker said.

It just makes sense to combine some departments, he said, especially smaller ones like juvenile detention, which may have only four inmates per county but still requires a full staff to operate.

And while bringing in two cooks to stir the same pot can conceivably lead to a blowup, Cassia County Administrator Kerry McMurray said contract renegotiations have never really posed any problems to the cross-county effort.

McMurray said he thinks consolidation can save



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Cassia County Commissioner Clay Handy, right, and Cassia County Administrator Kerry McMurray listen as Albion resident Alan Lloyd discusses private land owners cutting off access to public lands during a June meeting.

## BY THE NUMBERS

POPULATION		PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICTS	
Cassia County	21,698	Cassia County	1
Jerome County	21,262	Jerome County	2
SIZE		PUBLIC SCHOOLS	
Cassia County	2,567 square miles	Cassia County School District	17
Jerome County	602 square miles	Jerome School District	5
		Valley School District	1
MAJOR LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES		2010 STUDENT ENROLLMENT	
Cassia County	1	Cassia County School District	5,250
Jerome County	2	Jerome School District	3,480
		Valley School District	644
FISCAL YEAR 2010 LAW ENFORCEMENT BUDGETS		FISCAL YEAR 2010 SCHOOL DISTRICT BUDGETS	
Cassia County Sheriff's Office	\$4,971,239*	Cassia County School District	\$53,255,503
Jerome County Sheriff's Office	\$1,575,811	Jerome School District	\$25,395,024
City of Jerome Police Department	\$1,507,925	Valley School District	\$4,239,100
	<i>* Includes county's portion of shared adult detention with Minidoka County</i>		
NUMBER OF SWORN OFFICERS			
Cassia County Sheriff's Office	32		
Jerome County Sheriff's Office	30		
City of Jerome Police Department	16		

Sources: 2009 U.S. Census Bureau estimates; county, city and school district fiscal year 2010 figures

counties money, but added that the effort comes down to more than each involved party's bottom line.

"It's about building relationships," McMurray said, adding that consolidation gives involved entities increased buying power and training opportunities, which offer additional benefits that are hard to calculate. "I think that has a tendency to make the department better. With consolidation there is a synergy that is more valuable than the sum of its parts."

## A matter of policy and politics

While Cassia County officials are quick to point out the benefits of their consolidation efforts, officials in nearby Jerome County are taking a more-baseline approach to any similar idea.

Jerome County Sheriff Doug McFall said if consolidation doesn't save money it wouldn't be a benefit to the county.

"But if it provides equal or better service we have a responsibility to look at it, at least," McFall said.

Jerome County's law enforcement costs are expected to increase as the county pursues a \$13.5 million, 165-bed jail and sheriff's office in a November bond election. The county has failed twice to pass a lease-purchase agreement for the same amount in recent elections. Annual operating costs for the new facility are expected to come in at \$2.9 million, up from \$700,000 currently.

City of Jerome Administrator Ben Marchant said there really hasn't been any discussion about combining the city's police department with the county sheriff's office in recent years.

However, he said, it's important for public agencies to assess their programs to ensure they provide the optimal levels of service to citizens for the tax dollars spent.

"Consolidation of services is a matter of policy and politics," Marchant said. "Certain efficiencies may be achieved through consolidation with improved economies of scale that could potentially reduce costs and improve certain operational logistics."

"However, there are many non-financial factors to consider such as levels of service, response times, specialized local services, organizational culture and employee morale. Those factors play a very important role in the overall services provided that may undermine the gains hoped for through consolidation."

Idaho Sen. Dean Cameron, R-Rupert and co-chairman of the Legislature's Joint Finance Appropriations Committee, said he is very supportive of consolidation of services and of counties working together. But he added that good government remains governance at the local level.

"Minidoka and Cassia counties should be commended for cooperating together," Cameron said. "However, I feel government that is closest to the people is most responsive to the needs and desires of its citizens. One excellent benefit of our current county system is that citizens are governed by fellow citizens they have elected."

## Maintaining an identity

In 1948, Cassia County voters approved merging the county's 49 individual school districts into what is now the Cassia County School District.

Today, the district serves more than 5,000 students across 17 schools, operating at a per-capita cost of nearly \$1,060 more than in Jerome County, which has two school districts — Jerome School District and Valley School District.

Cassia County School District Superintendent Gaylen Smyer said districts which operate only one high school, like neighboring Jerome School District, probably have lower costs than Cassia County, which operates four high schools.

Cassia County taxpayers haven't historically supported a one-high-school district model in a county that is geographically larger than Delaware and includes four distinct communities, Smyer said.

"There is a strong sense of identity associated with the schools in each community," Smyer said.

Smyer said it's conceivable that Burley and Declo could consolidate schools, though consolidating Raft River and Oakley would be more problematic because of their remote locations. He said transportation currently represents 15 percent of the district's budget, while salaries to staff its 17 schools are a more significant expense.

Jerome School District Superintendent Dale Layne said a major consideration before any talk of consolidating the Jerome and Valley school districts would be each district's willingness to assume shared bond indebtedness.

Layne cited examples around the state of times districts had to seek larger bonds so each involved

school felt like they were getting something.

"This might not always be the best use of taxpayer money," Layne said.

Other taxing issues could also pose problems, including funding plant facilities and supplemental levies.

But, if state and federal funding continue to dwindle, counties and school districts may be forced to examine consolidation options more closely.

"The question comes down to what the patrons want in their school dis-

trict," Layne said "There are pros and cons to both large school districts and small school districts."

"Many people living in small school districts do so because they prefer the rural setting with small schools where students and faculty all know one another. There is certainly something valuable to this, to which you can't tie a dollar amount."

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weren't added into per-capita cost figures, as the approximately 50 such students each county's school districts served represents only a 0.2 percent impact to county population estimates.

In comparing law enforcement budgets, the city of Albion's cost for its part-time police chief, which in fiscal year 2010 was \$15,437, was added into the Cassia County Sheriff's Office budget for ease of reading.

Cassia County's portion of its shared budgeted expenses for the jointly operated Mini-Cassia Criminal Justice Facility were also combined with its sheriff's office budget, as Jerome County's jail costs are included in its annual county sheriff's budget.

Minidoka and Cassia counties' shared juvenile detention, juvenile probation, misdemeanor probation and public defense costs were not included in per-capita comparisons, as Jerome County's corresponding departments are included in its justice fund rather than its law enforcement budget.

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# T.F. cab driver accused of raping passenger

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The driver of a Twin Falls taxi cab has been charged of rape after allegedly forcing himself upon a drunken female rider in January.

Randolph B. King, 47, of Filer, was arraigned Thursday on one felony count of rape after he allegedly sexually assaulted a female victim on Jan. 10. According to police,

the female said she "blacked out" while King engaged in sexual acts with her while driving her home early that morning.

While King denied any sexual contact with the alleged victim, police say DNA evidence taken from the alleged victim and the alleged crime scene in central Twin Falls matched that from a blood sample from

King on Jan. 15. That DNA report was returned to Twin Falls Police from the Idaho State Police Forensic Lab on May 17.

King was jailed Thursday on \$25,000 bond. A one-year no-contact order with the alleged victim was also ordered.

A preliminary hearing for King is scheduled for 8:15 a.m. Friday.

## 5TH DISTRICT COURT NEWS

### TWIN FALLS COUNTY FELONY SENTENCINGS

William R. Field, 56, Twin Falls; possession of methamphetamine, four years penitentiary, two determinate, two indeterminate, three years probation, \$165.50 costs, \$500 public defender fee, 100 hours community service, \$534 restitution.

James D. Clopton, 36, Twin Falls; possession of methamphetamine, five years penitentiary, two determinate, three indeterminate, two years probation, \$1,000 fine, \$700 suspended, \$110.50 costs, \$500 public defender fee, 100 hours community service, \$481.73 restitution.

### FELONY DISMISSALS

Randell Rogers, 54, Twin Falls; possession of controlled substance, dismissed.

Jason A. Albertson, 30, Twin Falls; possession of controlled substance, dismissed.

Kianna J. Lott, 31, Twin Falls; possession of controlled substance, dismissed.

John W. Harrison, 34, Buhl; domestic battery, dismissed.

George Alvarez-Hernandez, 32, Castleford; second-degree kidnapping, dismissed.

Steven K. White, 53, Twin Falls; possession of methamphetamine, dismissed.

### DRIVING UNDER THE INFLUENCE SENTENCINGS

Rolando R. Torres, 19, Twin Falls; driving under the influence, \$700 fine, \$400 suspended, \$182.50 costs, \$75 public defender fee, 90 days jail, 88 suspended, time credited, eight hours work detail, driving privileges suspended 180 days, 12 months probation.

Nicholas J. Petruzzelli, 21, Jerome; driving under the influence, \$700 fine, \$400 suspended, \$132.50 costs, \$75 public defender fee, 90 days jail, 88 suspended, time credited, eight hours work detail, driving privileges suspended 180 days, 12 months probation.

Maegan Melton, 31, Twin Falls; driving under the influence, \$700 fine, \$400 suspended, \$182.50 costs, \$75 public defender fee, 90 days jail, 88 suspended, one credited, eight hours work detail, driving privileges suspended 180 days, 12 months probation.

Greg E. Svancara, 28, Buhl; driving under the influence, withheld judgment, \$700 fine, \$400 suspended, \$182.50 costs, 90 days jail, 88 suspended, one credited, eight hours work detail, driving privileges suspended 180 days, 12 months probation.

Zachary S. Cutler, 41, Twin Falls; driving under the influence, excessive, \$1,000 fine, \$500 suspended, \$132.50 costs, \$75 public defender fee, 365 days jail, 345 suspended, two credited, driving privileges suspended 365 days, 12 months probation.

Steven L. Vogt, 50, Filer; driving under the influence, \$700 fine, \$400 suspended, \$132.50 costs,

90 days jail, 88 suspended, one credited, eight hours work detail, driving privileges suspended 180 days, 12 months probation, no alcohol.

Richard Hurtado, 48, Wendell; driving under the influence, withheld judgment, \$700 fine, \$400 suspended, \$182.50 costs, 90 days jail, 88 suspended, one credited, eight hours work detail, driving privileges suspended 180 days, 12 months probation.

Lon O. Laymon, 43, Buhl; driving under the influence, \$700 fine, \$400 suspended, \$182.50 costs, \$75 public defender fee, 180 days jail, 156 suspended, 24 credited, driving privileges suspended 90 days, 18 months probation, no alcohol.

### CHILD SUPPORT CASES

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

Anita P. Gouge. Seeking establishment for child support: \$168 monthly support plus 50 percent of medical expenses not covered by insurance, provide medical insurance, 50 percent of any work-related day care expenses. Justin M. Hocklander. Seeking establishment of paternity, Medicaid reimbursement and child support: \$320 monthly support plus 62 percent of medical expenses not covered by insurance, provide medical insurance, \$2,769.34 birth costs, 62 percent of any work-related day care expenses.

Michael C. Rose. Seeking establishment for consolidation and child support: \$269 monthly support plus 54 percent of medical expenses not covered by insurance, provide medical insurance, 54 percent of any work-related day care expenses.

Andrew C. Slaton. Seeking establishment for child support and Medicaid reimbursement: \$245 monthly support plus 71 percent of medical expenses not covered by insurance, provide medical insurance, \$2,757.95 birth costs, 71 percent of any work related day care expenses.

Robert M. Agundez Jr. Seeking establishment for medical support: 55 percent of medical expenses not covered by insurance, provide medical insurance, if delinquent, a lien will be place on real and personal property for at least 90 days or \$2,000, whichever is less.

Kenneth L. Moreno. Seeking establishment for child support: \$1,135 monthly support plus 83 percent of medical expenses not covered by insurance, provide medical insurance, 83 percent of any work-related day care expenses.

Matthew J. Chamberlain. Seeking establishment for child support: \$478 monthly support plus 56 percent of medical expenses not covered by insurance, provide medical insurance, 56 percent of any work-related day care expens-

es. Patrick J. Courtney. Seeking establishment for support of child in foster care: \$215 monthly support plus 63 percent of medical expenses not covered by insurance, provide medical insurance, \$279.50 foster care reimbursement.

Garry E. Huntsman Jr. Seeking establishment for support of child in foster care: \$139 monthly support plus 53 percent of medical expenses not covered by insurance, provide medical insurance, \$826.96 foster care reimbursement.

### DIVORCES FILED

Shaun D. Godfrey vs. Jolinda K. Godfrey.

Julie A. Heath vs. Garth D. Heath.

Amber C. Steen vs. Philip A. Steen.

David Baker vs. Erin Baker.

Jennifer L. Fife vs. Lee R. Fife.

Amy E. Coiner vs. Neal K. Coiner.

Heather R. Basham vs. Jeremy R. Basham.

Robert S. Sigmon vs. Ginger R. Sigmon.

Katherine M. Stiles-Welch vs. Robert W. Welch.

Jeffrey M. Huntington vs. Joella G. Huntington.

### CITY OF TWIN FALLS DRIVING UNDER THE INFLUENCE SENTENCINGS

Leslie A. Thomason, 23, Twin Falls; driving under the influence, \$700 fine, \$400 suspended, \$182.50 costs, \$75 public defender fee, 90 days jail, 88 suspended, one credited, eight hours work detail, driving privileges suspended 180 days, 12 months probation.

Kristina A. Stevens, 23, Filer; driving under the influence, withheld judgment, \$700 fine, \$400 suspended, \$132.50 costs, 90 days jail, 88 suspended, one credited, eight hours work detail, driving privileges suspended 180 days, 12 months probation.

Carol J. Spanbauer, 28, Twin Falls; driving under the influence, \$700 fine, \$400 suspended, \$182.50 costs, \$75 public defender fee, 90 days jail, 88 suspended, two credited, driving privileges suspended 180 days, 12 months probation.

Scone Phathummachith, 28, Twin Falls; driving under the influence, withheld judgment, \$700 fine, \$400 suspended, \$182.50 costs, \$75 public defender fee, 90 days jail, 88 suspended, one credited, eight hours work detail, driving privileges suspended 180 days, 12 months probation.

Michelle D. Nuzio, 33, Twin Falls; driving under the influence, \$1,000 fine, \$600 suspended, \$182.50 costs, 180 days jail, 178 suspended, two credited, driving privileges suspended 180 days, 12 months probation.

Christopher C. Bergman, 39, Twin Falls; driving under the influence, amended to second offense, \$1,000 fine, \$500 suspended, \$182.50 costs, 180 days jail, 170 suspended, one credited, driving privileges suspended 365 days, 12 months probation.

## Standoff with escaped inmate ends in Salt Lake

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — A police standoff with an Idaho inmate who escaped from a work-release program and was being sought in connection with a Utah bank robbery has ended

peacefully in Salt Lake City.

Joe Dee Stang was taken into custody late this morning after barricading himself in a room at the Allstar Travel Motor Hotels for 14 hours and claiming to have a

female hostage.

SWAT teams stormed the room and found the 45-year-old Stang in an attic area. Police say there was no hostage, but they seized a gun in the room.

## Attorney

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matters, Mahr engaged in neglect, failed to adequately communicate and failed to provide requested documentation to his client or their families. In a number of matters, Mahr took action without consulting his clients and failed to return unearned fees and/or client files upon termination."

On July 8, Johnson circulated a mass e-mail to other lawyers and the *Times-News*, stating that Mahr was still taking cases in

Idaho. Also circulated among this group was a Board of Immigration Appeals complaint form, in which Mahr is specifically mentioned.

So far, none of Mahr's clients have spoken to the *Times-News*, and Johnson said that his organization does not release names of Mahr's alleged victims.

Twin Falls County Prosecutor Grant Loebs said that his office has not received a complaint against Mahr. Bob Cooper, public

information officer with the state attorney general's office, said the same.

Victims of immigration service fraud in Idaho have two options, according to Johnson: file a complaint with the prosecutor in their home county or file a complaint with the Idaho Attorney General's Consumer Protection Division.

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## NO FRUIT THIS YEAR



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B and B Apiary Beekeeper Cameron Hall slips a protective suit over his clothes before checking the bees, housed just north of the fruit trees at Buhl's Akland Orchard. Local fruit producers were hit by hard freeze in May and the very cold temperatures decimated the harvest, wiping out the year's profit.

# M.V. fruit producers' fate sealed by fruit-killing freeze

By Blair Koch  
Times-News correspondent

**BUHL** — A white, flat-bed pickup truck carrying bee hives meandered along a dirt road cutting through neat rows of fruit trees of Akland Orchard, the Snake River Canyon unfolding beyond the tree rows' end.

Soon, B&B Apiary Beekeepers Ben Hall and Cameron Hall exit the truck, putting on protective head masks before rousing bee hives that had very little to do this year.

The beekeepers are another example of how orchard work continues, even though there will be no harvest to celebrate this year. The budding fruit crop was killed by freezing temperatures earlier this year, decimating fruit harvests across the Magic Valley. Those orchards in low-lying lands were especially susceptible to the weather system's inversion effect.

"The temperature reached down to 23 degrees on the eighth of May," said Richard Kelly, owner of Kelley Orchards, in Buhl, and Kelley Garden and Landscape Center in Twin Falls.

The blooming, buds didn't stand a chance of surviving the cold and every cherry, apple and peach, to name a few, shriveled up.

It's a \$300,000 loss, Kelley said, and the first time in the orchard's century-long existence that weather has taken out every piece of fruit grown there.

"We've reduced employment as well, by as many as 10 people, because there just won't be any fruit to harvest," he said.

Kelley said he plans on offsetting some of the lost revenue by purchasing fruit from the Caldwell and Emmett area for resale at Kelley's many fruit stands.



The remains of a few apple starts, killed by freeze, are all that remains on the trees at Akland Orchard in Buhl. Other area orchards were wiped out by the freeze as well, such as Kelly Orchards.

"We're always optimistic for next year," he said, adding that much of the garden variety vegetables sold at the stands were replanting in time to harvest and sell. "I'm hoping to get it cheap enough that it will be affordable to buy."

Roger Akland, owner of Akland's Orchard isn't so lucky. He won't be able to purchase fruit to sale at area farmers markets or be able to replace the fruit harvested by u-pick customers. His orchard neighbors the canyon rim.

"It took everything, he said. "Maybe next year but now, we're done."

It's a \$300,000 loss, Richard Kelly, owner of Kelley Orchards, in Buhl, and Kelley Garden and Landscape Center in Twin Falls, said, and the first time in the orchard's century-long existence that weather has taken out every piece of fruit grown there.

The impact will be felt throughout many sectors.

The National Agricultural Statistics Service reported that Idaho's sweet cherry crop will be down 75 percent from last year's record high and 21 percent lower than in 2008. Idaho is typically ranked as the nation's fifth-largest sweet cherry producing state.

The news has been similar across the western states and nationally, the NASS projects the U.S. sweet cherry crop will be down 27 percent from 2009, with a 315,400 ton crop.

Laura Theis, Idaho's Bounty co-op operations director, said since producers can only list for sale what they have the available fruit may decrease. With increased demand for fruit the news couldn't have come at a worst time.

"It would be nice to offer more fruit because we want to offer a wide selection of groceries," Theis said. "We won't know the full impact until the end of the season."

Until then, the water will be changed and the bee hives managed but the sweet harvest will go eerily by.

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# C3 to host job event at CSI

Event to discuss company, positions being offered

Times-News

C3 will host an informational job event at 6 p.m. Monday, as well as at 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. Tuesday to support its newest location in Twin Falls.

The event will be held at the College of Southern Idaho Campus at the Fine Arts building. Attendees will learn about the company and the positions being offered at the Twin Falls location. As part of this expansion, the company expects to bring between 600 and 800 new jobs to the region to support several of its newest clients in the healthcare industry.

The first 600 jobs will be comprised of customer service representatives, licensed insurance agents, and management positions for the center. The company offers a competitive compensation and benefits package that includes paid training for all open positions.

"We are proud to open our newest location in Twin Falls and have been particularly impressed with the quality of the work force in this community," said Bob Tenzer, senior vice president of human resources for C3. "The welcome from our partners in the Twin Falls Urban Renewal Agency has been phenomenal and we are eager to build our local team and help many of these community members get back to work."

The College of Southern Idaho will offer training assistance while Idaho Department of Labor will assist the company in receiving qualified applicants for consideration.

Pay rates for agents range from \$8.50 to \$11.50 per hour.

Benefits include medical/dental, tuition reimbursement, paid time off among others.

Qualified applicants can apply by submitting a cover letter and resume at [www.c3connect.com/careers](http://www.c3connect.com/careers)

# New law might cause paperwork nightmare

By Stephen Ohlemacher  
Associated Press writer

**WASHINGTON** — Tucked into the new health care law is a requirement that could become a paperwork nightmare for nearly 40 million businesses.

They must file tax forms for every vendor that sells them more than \$600 in goods.

The goal is to prevent vendors from underreporting their income to the Internal Revenue Service. The government must think vendors are omitting a lot because the filing requirement is estimated to bring in \$19 billion over the next decade.

Business groups say it will swamp their members in paperwork, and Congress is listening. Democrats and Republicans want to repeal it, but getting them to work together on the issue is proving difficult in an election year.

The House rejected a bill Friday that would have repealed the provision. The two parties disagreed on how to make up the lost revenue.

"This foolish policy hammers our business community when we should be supporting their job growth," Sen. Mike Johanns of Nebraska said in the Republicans' weekly radio and Internet address Saturday. "It's only one example of how the administration's promise to support small businesses really rings hollow."

Democrats blamed Republicans for Friday's failure.

"Despite all of their rhetoric about the need to eliminate this reporting requirement, Republicans walked away from small businesses when it mattered most," said Rep. Sander Levin, D-Mich., chairman of the tax-writing House Ways and Means Committee.

Businesses already must file Form 1099s with the IRS when they purchase more than \$600 in

See **LAW**, Business 3

# Many small businesses can't get enough credit

By Sandra M. Jones  
Chicago Tribune writer

**CHICAGO** — Small businesses are facing the most difficult business climate in three years, according to a report released Wednesday.

Among the most troubling signs: Four out of every 10 small business owners are unable to secure adequate financing, according to the National Small Business Association's mid-year economic report.

Indeed, it has been 17 years since this many small businesses have had such a difficult time getting loans, said Todd McCracken, president of the Washington-based organization.

"Given the direct correlation between access to capital and job growth, unless small-business owners are able to secure financing, we will continue to see high unemployment," said McCracken.

In the last 12 months, 11 per-

cent of small businesses hired workers and 25 percent cut jobs, the report said.

Six months ago, the organization measured a slight increase in optimism among small business owners. But in the latest survey, conducted among 400 small-business owners between June 23 and July 14, nearly every indicator fell, including business confidence, revenue, job growth and growth projections.

"These traditionally upbeat

entrepreneurs have a far more negative outlook today than they have in the last several years," the report said. Nearly half do not believe there will be any growth opportunities for their business in the coming year, and 41 percent have concerns about the ongoing viability of their business.

Likewise, 59 percent of small-business owners expect the U.S. economy to remain flat this year and 29 percent anticipate a recession.

# On critical tax fight, President Obama can't afford to lose

Barack Obama is at another make-or-break moment in his presidency. The last was when his health-care reform plan was nearly heckled to death at town hall meetings. In the end, health reform was signed



Steve Pearlstein

into law, as were financial reform and the massive economic stimulus.

But the toll for getting them through was so high that the president now faces the biggest challenge of all with his political capital depleted.

That challenge: driving a stake through the heart of the anti-tax monster that

has cast a menacing shadow over American politics for the past 30 years.

The idea that it is bad to raise any tax on any taxpayer at any time under any circumstances is a pernicious fallacy that is so ingrained in political conversation that it prevents the country from addressing its most pressing problems.

When Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid announced last week, in the midst of record-breaking temperatures, that the

Senate was unable to address climate change, it was a capitulation to ideologues and special interests determined to characterize any approach as an energy tax.

See **TAXES**, Business 2

# YOUR BUSINESS

## MILESTONES

### ST. LUKES



Courtesy photo

St. Luke's Clinic Orthopedic and Plastic Surgery at 738 North College Road Suite A in Twin Falls recently cut the red ribbon at their new location, assisted by the Twin Falls Chamber Ambassadors. The clinic specializes in treatment of orthopedics including the shoulder, arm, hand, elbow, hip, knee and foot. This includes arthroscopic surgery, joint replacement surgery, sports medicine and rehabilitation, as well as trauma treatment and fractures. Please give them a call at 734-729, and let their professional staff assist you with your orthopedic needs. Pictured from left: Dr. Wright, Dr. Wayment, Dr. McKee, Dr. Retmier, Dr. Johnson and Dr. May; and SLC Orthopedic and Plastic Surgery staff standing behind.

### ACUPUNCTURE / CHIROPRACTIC



Courtesy photo

Acupuncture/Chiropractic at 1625 Addison Ave. E. Twin Falls recently cut the red ribbon along with the Twin Falls Chamber Ambassadors. Professional services available are: applied kinesiology, nutrition, massage, chiropractic, physiotherapy, acupuncture, Chinese medicine and allergy. Give their clinic a call at 735-2442 and schedule an appointment. Pictured from left: Sue V. Phillips, D.C.; Jon Paul Morse, L.A.C.; and Kathleen McKay, D.C.; not pictured: Nathalie Hunter, Jennie Pastoor, Krisite Thompson and Carol Ann Lanford.

### SQUARE MEAL DELI & TREAT SHOP



Courtesy photo

The Mini-Cassia Chamber Ambassadors hosted a ribbon cutting at Square Meal Deli & Treat Shop located at 513 Fifth St., Rupert, to commemorate their grand opening. The business is owned and managed by Eileen Brown, pictured cutting the ribbon, along with her husband, Mario Amescua. The diner specializes in good home cooking for good folks. The business offers daily specials. Business hours are 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday through Saturday. Their business number is 260-4227.

### ARK ANIMAL HOSPITAL



Courtesy photo

The Mini-Cassia Chamber Ambassadors hosted a ribbon cutting at Ark Animal Hospital located at 750 21st St., Heyburn, to commemorate the grand opening of their new surgery wing. The business is owned by Dr. William Fulcher, DVM, pictured cutting the ribbon, along with his staff, Dondi Hilling, kennel assistant; Arca Osterhout, office manager; and vet assistants Ashley Arthur, Jamie Pride, Karina Nunez and Cheyenne Blauer. They have an in-house lab, diagnostics, X-ray, dental equipment and perform all major and minor surgeries. They do annual wellness exams and vaccinations on the family's pets, along with grooming by Chris and Veterinary Supervised Boarding. Business hours are 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Friday and 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday. Their business number is 678-1177.

### ELITE PHYSICAL THERAPY



Courtesy photo

The Mini-Cassia Chamber Ambassadors hosted a ribbon cutting at Elite Physical Therapy and Health at 1316 Oakley Ave., Burley, to commemorate their grand opening. The business is owned and managed by Curtis Mason, DPT, pictured cutting the ribbon along with his wife, Rebecca; and their children, Ambree, Chanelle and Russel; and office manager Stacie Marston. Elite Physical Therapy and Health expanded their existing clinic to include an array of high-end equipment, and has opened their doors to the public with membership options for their gym. They offer a cardio room with multiple treadmills, bikes, ellipticals, an arm bike, a stair stepper and an aerobic rock wall. They also have a full circuit of machine weights that are some of the most ergonomically sound in the industry. Business hours are 6 a.m. to 7 p.m. Monday through Friday and 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday. Their business number is 678-2155.

## CAREER MOVES

### Local physical therapists receive training

Andrew Mix, PT, and Dave Berry, PT, at LifeStyles Therapy & Wellness Center have received specialized training with two recent comprehensive and advanced continuing education courses in vestibular rehabilitation. This rehabilitation involves retraining the balance system to overcome deficiencies that occur with injury to the inner ear or other parts of the balance system. This is especially important for people with vertigo, dizziness or unsteadiness that affects quality of life. Those experiencing dizziness problems are invited to call 735-8563 to schedule an appointment at LifeStyles Therapy & Wellness Center located at 812 Shoshone St. E. in Twin Falls.



Mix



Berry

### Tuan Le

On June 24, Tuan Le, E.I.T., of McClure Engineering, Inc. in Twin Falls participated in the Introduction to Economizer & Power Exhaust training hosted by Trane and presented by MicroMetl. This training covered economizer and power exhaust concepts, which included a product overview, field setup, and demand based ventilation concepts. Implementation of these concepts showed energy cost savings up to 25 percent for a typical office building.

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### Nicole Cope

Jensen Jewelers of Twin Falls is proud to announce the graduation of Nicole Cope, in the corporate office of Jensen Jewelers, from the prestigious Certified Professional Jeweler program.

The employee has completed the eleven-week course and has received certification. The course involves extensive training in all product areas of the jewelry industry, including diamonds, genuine stones, watches and all facets of jewelry making.

### Local U.S. Bank employee wins top award

Zachary Gregersen, a licensed personal banker, who works at U.S. Bank's office, 748 Blue Lakes Blvd. N. in Twin Falls, has won U.S. Bank's Annual Presidents award, the company's consumer banking employee achievement honors.

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## Taxes

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It is the refusal to put any tax increase on the table that has impeded much-needed reform of the tax code and rendered impotent a bipartisan commission charged with figuring out how to rein in the budget deficit.

And it is the tax bugaboo that stands in the way of an investment agenda to match the global challenges we face.

If Obama fails to alter the political dynamic and finally slay the anti-tax dragon, it's game over for his economic agenda.

Those are the stakes as Congress now considers what to do, if anything, about the Bush tax cuts that are set to expire at the end of this year. Given the fragile state of the economic recovery as well as the competing imperative to bring deficits under control, the right policy would be to extend the lower rates for another two years while limiting them to lower- and middle-class households.

Republicans, of course, are already vowing that they won't support anything less than a permanent extension for all taxpayers, claiming that anything less would be a "massive" and "jobs-killing" tax increase. A few centrist Democrats have already succumbed to the anti-tax pressure.

In reality, raising marginal tax rates on the rich wouldn't be a huge deal. Even Douglas Holtz-Eakin, top economic adviser to John McCain's presidential campaign, told the Senate Finance Committee earlier this month that excluding upper-bracket households from a one-year tax-cut extension would only reduce employment by 300,000 in 2012 and raise the unemployment rate by one-tenth of 1 percent. That's more like statistical noise than the economic calamity conjured up by Republicans.

The reason for this muted impact was explained by two other witnesses at that day's hearing, Len Burman and Donald Marron of the Tax Policy Center.

Marron noted that because of the way the tax code is structured, even the rich would benefit from the lower rates applied to the income they earned under \$250,000. Along with other extensions, that would mean that even households with incomes up to \$1 million would still get to keep almost half of their Bush tax cuts.

And Burman's point was that spending by rich people wouldn't change much even after a modest tax increase because so much of their income is saved rather than spent. That certainly seems to have been the case when a nearly identical increase in top tax rates took effect in 1994, during another

"jobless" recovery. In the ensuing years, personal consumption fell in just one year, and by the end of the decade was growing at the torrid rate of 5.5 percent a year.

Indeed, if Republicans were truly interested in stimulating the economy and creating jobs, cutting marginal tax rates turns out to be one of the least cost-effective strategies. In January, the Congressional Budget Office calculated that \$1 million in tax cuts would generate between one and four additional jobs in the economy, compared with six to 15 jobs from increasing unemployment assistance, three to nine jobs from providing aid to states and four to 10 jobs from investing in infrastructure — all ideas that Republicans opposed as unaffordable. Go figure.

When all else fails, the last refuge for the anti-tax crowd is to claim that raising the top tax rate reduces employment because that is the rate paid by many small businesses — which, according to Republican myth, create all new jobs. In fact, fewer than 3 percent of tax returns with business income fall into the top brackets. And even for those, it's hard to understand why a profitable company, seeing an opportunity to expand, would forgo hiring because the profits generated by new workers would be taxed at 40 percent rather than 35 percent.

It's not just the economics that favor raising the top tax rate — so do the politics, according to pollster Peter Hart.

"The public is all in favor of raising taxes on the wealthy," said Hart. That would be particularly true, he said, if voters could be assured that the extra revenue would be put to good use, such as reducing the deficit.

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### Hacker builds cell-phone tapping device

LAS VEGAS (AP) — A computer security researcher says he has built a device for just \$1,500 that can intercept some kinds of cell phone calls and record everything that's said.

Chris Paget planned to show off the device Saturday during a talk at the DefCon hacker conference. But he was reconsidering

the demonstration, in which he'd intercept conference attendees' calls, after federal authorities told him it might violate wiretapping laws.

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Casey Zgutowicz, 32, right, and his fiancée Micaela De Alba, 30, talk about an upcoming trip to Mexico, July 15, in downtown Chicago, Ill. The couple met on eHarmony.

# ALL THE WEB LOVES A LOVER

## With stigma past, dating sites boom

By Wallin Wong  
Chicago Tribune

CHICAGO — Jay and Christina Lorance first met in an MSN chat room in May 1996, when the Internet, or even the idea of communicating electronically with a stranger, was an unfamiliar concept to many Americans.

Their online interaction led to four months of telephone calls and snail-mail letters, culminating in a face-to-face meeting in Colorado. Jay showed up with a ring. One year and four months later, they were married.

"We shocked a lot of people," said Christina Lorance, 41. "I'm from New York and he's from Oklahoma, so the first question everyone had was, 'How did you meet?' ... When we said the Internet, their eyes would bug out. They didn't even think it was true."

Digital culture has changed drastically since the Lorances' first virtual meeting. Online dating is now an accepted and commonplace way to meet someone, having largely shed its stigma as an option for only socially stunted nerds. Match.com, one of the leading Web sites, celebrated its 15th anniversary in April.

While advanced technology can't guarantee in-person chemistry, that hasn't stopped dozens of new offerings from touting their matchmaking algorithms or catering to a demographic niche.

Michelle Teplitz, a 29-year-old Connecticut native, was drawn to JDate.com, a site geared toward Jewish singles, because she wanted to meet someone with similar values.

"It weeds out the people you wouldn't want to talk to in a bar," said Teplitz, who met her husband of three years on JDate. "You know when you're on this site, (you're meeting) people who, for the most part, are interested in meeting someone they want to spend their life with."

Online dating has grown into big business. Match.com is part of IAC/Interactive Corp. and recently became the exclusive dating service on Yahoo, while eHarmony has acquired other Web properties related to weddings and parenting, including Weddingbee and JustMommies. Web-based dating also is taking on new forms, such as mobile applications and services within Facebook.

Another twist on the model was launched this year through WinkVid, the

"This stigma that's been around for the last decade is really starting to be erased because people's lives are moving online, and they're seeing the real benefits of social networks and of these technologies that enable you to meet people."

— Jordan Fulghum, owner of business that offers speed dating through webcams

brainchild of Jordan Fulghum and Jake Lumetta. Their Chicago-based company offers online speed dating through webcams, with each date lasting four minutes.

"This stigma that's been around for the last decade is really starting to be erased because people's lives are moving online, and they're seeing the real benefits of social networks and of these technologies that enable you to meet people," Fulghum said.

A video chat may help bridge that difficult gap between online compatibility and in-person chemistry. Still, there's no predicting how a romantic relationship will develop offline. Although some dating sites brag about their ability to match up life partners, other services acknowledge their limitations.

"I really think of our responsibility as 'no bad first dates,' which seems like a low bar, but the reason is we can't promise you a soul mate," said Sam Yagan, co-founder of OKCupid. "That's ridiculous. That's chemistry and what happens when you see each other."

The simplest reason for online dating's emergence into the mainstream is that more Americans are digitally literate. The age-old practice of meeting and courting a romantic partner has moved online as consumers conduct more of their lives on the Web.

A 2006 study by the Pew Research Center's Internet & American Life Project reported that nearly 7 million American adults have gone out with someone they met online. That number surely has gone up since, said Andrew Fiore, a doctoral

candidate at the University of California-Berkeley who has studied online dating since 2003.

"As soon as you talk about 7 million people going on dates, they can't possibly all be computer geeks," Fiore said. "If you look at the demographics, people using online dating look a lot like people who are on the Internet in general."

These typical users include Chicagoans Casey Zgutowicz, 32, and Micaela De Alba, 30, a recently engaged couple who met on eHarmony.

Online dating "is good in the sense you're peeling back the onion," Zgutowicz said. He said completing eHarmony's intricate personality questionnaire was a "grueling process" but helpful, because "you know you have a similar foundation" before meeting in person.

Zgutowicz and De Alba, who are planning a June 2011 wedding in Mexico, said they no longer think their "how we met" story is novel.

"We've moved beyond it," De Alba said.

Positive word of mouth also has helped boost the credibility of online dating sites. According to the 2006 Pew survey, 30 million adults reported knowing someone who's been in a long-term relationship or married someone he or she met online.

"Once you have a friend who's in a relationship that started online, you're at a crossroads," Yagan said. "Either your friend is weird and you're friends with weirdos, or it's not weird."

Still, the stigma exists for some people. Holly Brunner, a 32-year-old pathology assistant in Washington, said she met a man via

eHarmony who told his friends they met in the emergency room, where she was summoned to perform a biopsy on a liver tumor discovered after a motorcycle accident landed him in the hospital.

Aside from that odd hiccup, Brunner said she's pleased with her eHarmony experience and is in a relationship with someone she met via the site in 2008.

"I can't imagine any other way of dating," she said.

Sometimes, the spark simply isn't there. Samuel DiMatteo, 76, used Yahoo Personals for several years but is going to let his subscription lapse because he didn't find "that click" with the handful of women he met.

"Probably, if I were younger, it would be better," said DiMatteo, a River Grove, Ill., resident who practices his computer skills at a cafe run by Evanston, Ill.-based nonprofit Mather LifeWays. "When you're 76, most (people) are set in their ways."

On the other end of the age spectrum, members of the Web generation say they're fluent in how to read cues from someone whose body language is hidden behind a computer screen.

"When I see how people type, I can immediately read their personalities: their grammar, lingo, the Net-speak they use," said Iris Febres, 22, who met her boyfriend of more than one year on OKCupid.

Febres and her boyfriend live across the country from one another, so they use Skype to keep in touch.

This constant contact is crucial in a relationship, no matter how a couple meets. Just ask the Lorances, who have three sons and will celebrate their 13th wedding anniversary in December. "Communication is what helped us get this far in life," Christina Lorance said. "To this day, we could stay up all night on a Saturday, just me and him talking."

# Japanese user claims Twitter's 20 billionth tweet

TOKYO (AP) — Twitter's 20 billionth message didn't make much sense, but it spoke volumes about the rapid global growth of the microblogging service.

It came at 9:44 MDT Saturday from user "GGGGGo—Lets—Go" in Japan, where Twitter has exploded in popularity over the last year. The San Francisco-based company estimates the Japanese send nearly 8 million tweets a day, about 12 percent of the global total and second only to the United States.

The tweet itself is hard to decipher, since it appears to be part of a longer conversation between two users.

"So that means the barrage might come back later all at once," wrote the declared graphic designer and avid fan of the Tokyo Yakult Swallows baseball team in Japanese.

It didn't take long before GGGGGGo—Lets—Go was inundated with congratulatory messages from around the world for hitting the social networking milestone. The user bio changed shortly thereafter.

"I'm grateful and humbled by those who are visiting because of my 20 billionth tweet. Be warned, I

tweet a lot about baseball."

While it took Twitter four years to reach tweet number 10 billion earlier this year in March, it took less than five months to double the figure thanks to its increasing popularity worldwide.

Twitter Chief Executive Evan Williams traveled to Tokyo earlier this month to celebrate its success in Japan.

"We've come a long way in two years especially in Japan," he told an enthusiastic crowd of about 500.

Japanese Twitter users set a world record when the whistle blew in the World Cup game in which Japan beat Denmark at 3,283 tweets per second, mostly believed to have been Japanese. About 16 percent of Japanese Internet users tweet, surpassing the 9.8 percent of online Americans.

The company launched a Japanese language version in 2008 and released a mobile site in October.

One reason Twitter has been popular in Japan is that it's possible to say much more in Japanese within the 140-character limit. The word "magazine" for example requires just two letters in Japanese.

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services from a vendor in a year. The new provision would extend the requirement to the purchase of goods, starting in 2012.

The requirement would hit about 38 million businesses, charities and tax-exempt organizations, many of them small businesses already swamped by government paperwork, according to a recent report by the National Taxpayer Advocate. It would also create an avalanche of paperwork that could strain the IRS itself, wrote the advocate, an independent watchdog within the IRS.

Businesses that repeatedly make small purchases from the same vendor would have to keep good records in case the total exceeded \$600 in a year. Companies would also have to get vendors' tax identification numbers to include in the filings.

"Tax paperwork and compliance are already major expenses for small businesses," a coalition of 80 business groups recently wrote lawmakers. "This

new and expanded requirement means that almost every business-to-business transaction is potentially reportable to the IRS."

Republicans want to repeal the filing requirement and pay for it by changing other parts of the new health care law, a strategy that Democratic leaders won't support. Democrats want to repeal the filing requirement and pay for it by raising taxes on international corporations and limiting taxpayers' ability to use special trusts to avoid gifts taxes. Republicans won't support that.

The House rejected the Democratic bill Friday after Democratic leaders brought it up under a procedure that requires a two-thirds majority for approval. The vote was 241-154, with nearly all Democrats voting in favor of the bill and nearly all Republicans opposed.

Johanns has been working to repeal the filing requirement in the Senate, with similar results.

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# Coast Guard allows toxic chemical use on Gulf

WASHINGTON (AP) — The U.S. Coast Guard has routinely approved BP requests to use thousands of gallons of toxic chemical a day to break up oil slicks in the Gulf of Mexico despite a federal directive that the chemicals be used only rarely on surface waters, congressional investigators said Saturday after examining BP and government documents.

The documents show the

Coast Guard approved 74 waivers over a 48-day period after the restrictions were imposed, resulting in hundreds of thousands of gallons of the chemicals to be spread on Gulf waters. Only in a small number of cases did the government scale back BP's request.

The extensive use of dispersants to break up oil gushing from BP's Deepwater Horizon raised concerns early on as to what

long-term damage the toxic chemicals might be doing to the Gulf's aquatic life. That prompted the Environmental Protection Agency on May 26 to direct BP to stop using the chemicals on the water surface except in "rare cases."

But Rep. Edward Markey, D-Mass., said Saturday that the chemicals continued to be used extensively with Coast Guard approval, often at a rate of 6,000 to 10,000

gallons a day. A request was made and approved on June 13 to spread as much as 36,000 gallons of dispersant, according to data obtained by Markey's Energy and Environment subcommittee.

The EPA directive "has become more of a meaningless paperwork exercise than an attempt ... to eliminate surface application of chemical dispersants," Markey wrote in a letter sent

Friday to retired Coast Guard Adm. Thad Allen, the government's point man on the spill.

Markey's office released the letter Saturday as well as the documents his panel had analyzed. Markey said that instead of complying with the EPA directive, "BP often carpet bombed the ocean with these chemicals and the Coast Guard allowed them to do it."

The House investigators

found that the Coast Guard routinely approved the chemical use, in some cases a week in advance. On five occasions the Coast Guard approved a BP request to use 6,000 gallons a day over a weeklong period and "in many of these days BP still used more than double" the limit that was approved, Markey said in his letter.

A call to the BP press office in Houston was not immediately returned.



AP photo

Hacker Chris Paget sets up a long range RFID reading device Friday at the DefCon hacker conference in Las Vegas.

## Hacker builds \$1,500 device able to tap into cell phones

By Jordan Robertson  
Associated Press writer

LAS VEGAS — A computer security researcher has built a device for just \$1,500 that can intercept some kinds of cell phone calls and record everything that's said.

The attack Chris Paget showed Saturday illustrates weaknesses in GSM, one of the world's most widely used cellular communications technologies.

His attack was benign; he showed how he could intercept a few dozen calls made by fellow hackers in the audience for his talk at the DefCon conference here. But it illustrates that criminals could do the same thing for malicious purposes, and that consumers have few options for protecting themselves.

Paget said he hopes his research helps spur adoption of newer communications standards that are more secure.

"GSM is broken — it's just plain broken," he said.

GSM is considered 2G, or "second generation," cellular technology. Phones that run on the newer 3G and 4G standards aren't vulnerable to his attack.

If you're using an iPhone or other smart phone and the screen shows that your call is going over a 3G network, for example, you are protected. BlackBerry phones apply encryption to calls that foil the attack, Paget pointed out. But if you're using a type of phone that doesn't specify which type of network it uses, those phones are often vulnerable, Paget said.

Paget's device tricks nearby cell phones into believing it is a legitimate cell phone tower and routing their calls through it. Paget uses Internet-based calling technology to complete the calls and log everything that's said.

A caveat is that recipients see numbers on their Caller IDs that are different than the cell numbers of the people calling them. Paget claims it would be easy to upgrade the software to also include the callers' real numbers.

The device he built is called an "IMSI catcher," which refers to the unique International Mobile Subscriber Identity numbers that phones use to identify themselves to cellular networks.

Commercial versions of such devices have existed for decades and have mainly been used by law enforcement. Paget's work shows how cheaply hobbyists can make the devices using equipment found on the Internet.

"That's a significant change for research — it's a major breakthrough for everyone," said Don Bailey, a GSM expert with iSec Partners who wasn't involved in Paget's research.

Another security expert, Nicholas DePetrillo, said such devices haven't been built as cheaply in the past because the hardware makers have closely controlled who they sell to. Only recently has the necessary equipment become available cheaply online.

In the U.S., AT&T Inc. and T-Mobile USA are two cellular operators whose networks include GSM.

There are more than 3 billion GSM users and the technology is used in nearly three quarters of the world's cell phone markets, according to the GSM Association, an industry trade group.

In a statement, the group emphasized the hurdles to

launching an attack like Paget's, such as the fact an attacker's base station would need to be physically close to the target and that only outgoing calls can be intercepted. Incoming calls are not vulnerable.

"The overall advice for GSM calls and fixed-line calls is the same: neither has ever offered a guarantee of secure communications," the group said. "The great majority of users will make calls with no reason to fear that anyone might be listening. However, users with especially high security requirements should consider adding extra, end-to-end security features over the top of both their fixed line calls and their mobile calls."

A representative for AT&T had no comment. T-Mobile didn't immediately respond to e-mails Saturday from The Associated Press.

Paget had been debating dropping the demonstration from his talk, after federal authorities told him it might violate wiretapping laws. He went ahead with it after conferring with lawyers. He said he didn't believe he had broken any laws.

## Rangel using 3-way defense in ethics case

By Larry Margasak  
Associated Press writer

WASHINGTON — To rebut a lengthy list of alleged ethical misdeeds, Rep. Charles Rangel is trotting out this three-way defense: I didn't do it. I did it, but was inattentive. Others lawmakers were allowed to do the same thing without penalty.

It's an approach that nervous Democrats are watching closely in one of the most politically explosive cases in years.

Should it go to a public trial this fall, smack in the middle of the election season, and should his defense fall short, that won't help Democratic candidates forced to defend their party's ethics against Republican campaign attacks.

The GOP already is demanding that specific Democratic candidates give up contributions provided by Rangel's political organizations, and about a half-dozen Democrats have asked the 20-term lawmaker to resign.

He's facing 13 counts of wrongdoing, including providing official favors in return for donations, hiding income and assets, and failing to pay taxes.

If Rangel's predicament wasn't bad enough for Democrats, there's an added complication on the ethics front: Rep. Maxine Waters, D-Calif., also may face an ethics trial this fall on allegations of improperly trying to help a bank, where her husband owned stock, that was seeking a federal bailout.

People familiar with the Waters investigation, who were not authorized to be quoted about charges before they are made public, say the allegations could be announced this coming week.

Rangel, 80, is a former

chairman of the tax-writing House Ways and Means Committee.

Waters, 71, is a prominent member of the House Financial Services Committee. Both have influential roles in matters affecting voters' pocket-books — thereby linking the important issues of congressional ethics and the economy.

A good portion of the Rangel case revolves around his soliciting donations — from corporate fat cats and foundations — to the Rangel Center at City College of New York, founded to support academic programs in public service.

"The undisputed evidence in the record ... is that Congressman Rangel did not dispense any political favors, that he did not intentionally violate any law, rule or regulation, and that he did not misuse his public office for private gain," according to a written statement prepared by Rangel's legal team and submitted to the ethics panel that conducted a two-year investigation of his conduct.

The statement said Rangel didn't "target for solicitation foundations, corporations or individuals with business before the Ways and Means Committee, nor did he offer or provide preferential treatment or favors to potential contributors."

It acknowledged that Rangel "did not devote sufficient personal attention to the preparation of his original annual financial disclosures." Hundreds of thousands of dollars in assets and income were reported years after they should have been. The congressman blamed his former chief of staff for many of the errors.

## Experts: Double Dippers' warnings may become self-fulfilling prophecy

By Tom Raum  
Associated Press writer

WASHINGTON — They're a minority, but a vocal one, and they're hovering like storm clouds over a brittle recovery.

They're the Double Dippers — the politicians, economists and analysts who foresee back-to-back recessions.

Their warnings could become self-fulfilling prophecies if they frighten enough people into holding tightly onto their wallets. With consumer spending accounting for two-thirds of economic activity, anything that further rattles consumers can undercut recovery hopes.

Recent data has shown that, after growing moderately for most of the past year, the economy appears to be slowing in some parts of the country and in key sectors such as consumer spending. That's providing more ammunition to the double dippers.

Most mainstream economists agree the recovery road will be long and bumpy, but probably without leading into double-dip territory. But there are plenty of other voices warning of grimmer times ahead.

Nobel Prize-winning economist Paul Krugman of Princeton University argues in his New York Times columns that the U.S. already may have fallen into the early stages of a long, deep depression such as Japan's "lost decade." He claims that President Barack Obama and Congress have failed to provide enough stimulus spending.

To University of Maryland business economist Peter Morici, "signs abound that the economic recovery is faltering." Washington-area financial adviser Randy

Beeman tells listeners to his weekly radio show that chances of a double-dip recession are now about 75 percent.

Yale University economist Robert Shiller, a leading expert on the housing market and author of "Irrational Exuberance," a 2000 book

that foretold the coming crash of the tech stock bubble, sees more than a 50-50 chance of a double dip. "I actually expect it," he says.

Former Federal Reserve Chairman Alan Greenspan told CNBC a double-dip recession can't be ruled out. "Of course, there's a possi-

bility," he said.

Are double dippers becoming recovery party poopers?

"If consumers are hearing a lot of bad economic news and they're already scared, they might pull back some more," said Nigel Gault, chief U.S. economist for IHS

Global Insight.

There are 15 million people unemployed. "Employers might be willing to hire more if consumer spending was doing better," Gault said. "But then maybe consumer spending won't start doing better until employers start to hire."

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# Chelsea Clinton weds at exclusive N.Y. estate

By Michael Hill  
Associated Press writer

RHINEBECK, N.Y. — Chelsea Clinton wed her longtime boyfriend under extraordinary security at an elegant Hudson River estate late Saturday.

Bill Clinton and Hillary Rodham Clinton announced in a statement that their daughter wed investment banker Marc Mezvinsky after weeks of secrecy and buildup that had celebrity watchers flocking to the small village of Rhinebeck for the evening nuptials. The site of the wedding, a Beaux Arts riverside estate called Astor Courts, was sealed off from the general public.

"Today, we watched with great pride and overwhelming emotion as Chelsea and Marc wed in a beautiful ceremony at Astor Courts, surrounded by family and their close friends," the Clintons said. "We could not have asked for a more perfect day to celebrate the beginning of their life together, and we are so happy to welcome Marc into our family. On behalf of the newlyweds, we want to give special thanks to the people of Rhinebeck for welcoming us and to everyone for their well-wishes on this special day."

Chelsea Clinton, wearing a strapless white gown with a full skirt and silver beading around the waist and carrying a bouquet of white flowers, was escorted down the aisle by her father. The for-



Genevieve de Manio Photography/AP photo

Marc Mezvinsky, left, poses with his new mother-in-law, Hillary Rodham Clinton, bride, Chelsea, and father-in-law, former President Bill Clinton, after the couple's wedding Saturday in Rhinebeck, N.Y.

mer president and the groom wore dark suits, while the mother of the bride wore a fuchsia dress.

It is estimated that hundreds of guests gathered at the historic estate near the end of a near-perfect summer day of warm temperatures, blue skies and cottony clouds. The ceremony was conducted by a rabbi and a reverend as Chelsea Clinton is Methodist and Mezvinsky

is Jewish, and included a poem by Leo Marks titled, "The Life That I Have," according to the family.

The wedding was a mix of high society and high security. The road to Astor Courts was blocked off Saturday — neighbors received bottles of wine for their troubles — and the sky above was declared a no-fly zone by federal aviation officials. Police and security

guards fanned out around this usually sleepy town.

Consistent with Chelsea Clinton's desire for privacy, the family had released no details of the wedding beyond the date. But the scope of the event became apparent when more than a half-dozen busloads of wedding guests — men in black tie, women in dresses — were transported from a hotel in the village to the

riverside ceremony as gawkers looked on.

Celebrities spotted in Rhinebeck for the event included actors Ted Danson and Mary Steenburgen, fashion designer Vera Wang, Madeleine Albright, who was secretary of state during Bill Clinton's second term as president and Terry McAuliffe, former Democratic National Committee chairman. The

former president's half brother, Roger Clinton, was spotted early Saturday afternoon with his son Tyler, picking up food at a restaurant.

Danson and Steenburgen said they were excited about the upcoming ceremony as they strolled through Rhinebeck toward one of the hotels being used for the wedding.

"I knew her since she was a baby so this is a big moment," said Steenburgen, who wed Danson in 1995. "She's a lovely, lovely girl."

Reporters, who had been searching for celebrities in vain for most of the day, quickly zeroed in on the couple, prompting Danson to ask, "Are we the only celebrities in town?"

Celebrity seekers jockeyed with reporters for sidewalk space over most of the day too. Donna Vena drove 50 miles to Rhinebeck from her home of Mount Kisco, N.Y., in the hopes of spotting a celebrity.

"Why not?" she asked Saturday morning, a camera slung over her shoulder. "Big story. Maybe see Oprah?"

Nearby, two young women passed out slices of pizza with "I do" written in pepperoni.

Hundreds of people gathered outside the hotel where many of the guests are staying were rewarded Friday night when the Clintons exited a van arm-in-arm outside the Beekman Arms Hotel.

## Couples show more interest in adopting U.S. foster kids

By Donna St. George  
The Washington Post

Once there was the idea of a child. Now there is Frenice: a middle-schooler who steered her way through 14 foster homes before moving last summer to a comfortable Prince George's County, Md., neighborhood, where Sharon and Michael Rollins embraced her as their daughter.

There were family dinners. Tuesday evenings at church. Homework after school. Cousins and summer camps and a 13th birthday party.

A year into her new life, Frenice's adoption was made final Friday morning in an Upper Marlboro, Md., courtroom — amid happy tears and quiet celebration — as the Rollins family became another example of a growing interest in adopting foster children, which many hope will extend to older youths, who are the hardest to place. The trend comes amid a sharp decline in overseas adoptions, which have fallen by more than 40 percent since 2005 as many countries tightened regulations, or stopped foreign adoptions altogether and the recession put the cost beyond the reach of some prospective parents. Meanwhile, in this country, 123,000 foster kids are waiting to be adopted.

The willingness of more people to consider foster children is visible at the Joint Council on International Children's Services. Three years ago, just 30 percent of the group's 158 adoption services providers offered domestic and foster placements, says council President Tom DiFilippo. Now 85 percent do. "Families are looking for every option they can," he says.

The most recent national numbers, from 2008, show a



Washington Post photo

Frenice Rollins, 13, adopted from Colorado, has dinner at her new home in Maryland. There is a growing interest in adopting foster children in the U.S., which many hope will extend to older youths.

7 percent increase in adoptions of foster children. The overwhelming majority of those are by foster parents or relatives, but DiFilippo and others say they've seen a discernible rise in interest by nonrelatives.

The Rollins family adopted 13-year-old Frenice through a Barker Foundation program called Project Wait No Longer, which matches adoptive parents with foster children 6 and older.

So far, 20 children have been matched or placed — a small percentage of total adoptions at Barker, a non-profit group that has been doing Washington, D.C., area adoptions for 65 years. But applications and interest are up this year, says project director Bev Clarke.

Some parents fear they won't be effective with children who may have been neglected or abused, she says. Not all are suited, but "we try to educate our families that what the kids need are stable homes where they

can be safe, and to have people who ... will be consistent, who will stick with them regardless of the challenges along the way."

For Sharon and Michael Rollins, both 43, the leap of faith was not hard to make. Sharon, a real estate appraiser, was adopted as a baby and decided long ago that she, too, would adopt. She and Michael, a management specialist for Verizon, wed 12 years ago, and he shared her views about "the tremendous need," he says.

They were open to a child — or siblings — ages 6 to 16. "We did not have any reservations about age whatsoever," Sharon says. "To look for the perfect child, or someone to be a mirror image of the parent, that is not realistic."

Frenice's arrival followed a lengthy process of home studies, recommendations, medical exams, financial reports and background checks.

At one point, the couple switched agencies. Twice,

they had letdowns when children they selected were adopted by their foster families, who get priority.

In 2008, Sharon gave up. "I'm done," she recalls thinking.

Then a social worker e-mailed Michael a video clip of a curly-haired girl of 11 living in Colorado. What came through was her spirited personality. In the clip, Frenice told her interviewer that she had no idea what her stuffed bear was saying into his cellphone: "It's none of my business!"

"My heart was already there," Michael says.

Sharon watched and knew deep inside: This was the child.

In Colorado, Frenice saw photos of Sharon and Michael, who met two of her criteria: They were also African American and lived out of state. She took the chance, but years of moving through foster care made her wary.

"The first couple families

weren't really that bad, but as it goes and goes and goes, it just feels like nobody wants you," she says. "After the first six homes, it became, 'Okay, I'm moving again, who cares?'"

The way her parents see it, she suffered greatly in foster care and was separated from a younger sister along the way. "I've kind of developed a thing where if I say I'm not going to get connected, I don't," Frenice acknowledges.

After getting to know her by phone, Sharon and Michael flew to Colorado. Then Frenice came to Maryland. On June 30, 2009, she returned with Sharon, and as far as the Rollinses were concerned, the three became a family.

Frenice is sitting beside her mother on a couch in their colonial-style home, reliving a year that changed her life. She lays her head on her mother's knee. Her mother gently strokes her hair, pulled back in a ponytail.

Frenice was sent to seventh grade at Grace Brethren Christian School in Clinton, which her parents sought for its structure and academics. But they say their emphasis on education came as a cul-

ture shock for their daughter. "No one ever asked me about my homework before," Frenice volunteers.

Now her parents monitor her grades and her assignments. They limit television. They insist she read and write over the summer.

But they also urge her to tell them about what she loves or wants to try. At school, Frenice excelled at hurdles on the track team. She was a cheerleader. This summer, she went to fashion camp and now debate camp, where she is honing her oratory.

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## Molly McMahon (Borchers) (Painter)

BOISE — Molly was born at 2:35 p.m. Oct. 10, 1923, in Jerome, Idaho, the first of three beautiful, strong-willed daughters born to Lenora and A.D. McMahon, and passed away at 10 p.m. Thursday, July 22, 2010, in Boise.

Growing up, Molly especially loved dancing and being the sassy drum major for the Jerome High School band. In 1940, Molly boarded the Vandal train and found her way to the University of Idaho. She was a physical education major — dance! and a proud member of the Gamma Phi Beta Sorority. When war broke out in December 1941, Molly quickly enlisted in the Army. “What else was I going to do, all the boys left campus.” She found her life’s work in the Army as a physical therapist, a calling which she thrived on until retirement.

After PT training, Molly shipped out to the Pacific, writing letters home from Okinawa while riding out typhoons and enemy bombings. While there she met the first love of her life, George Borchers, who she married on the ship’s deck returning home.

“Lynny - the - Poooh” (Molly Lynn) was born in January of 1946 in Jerome, followed by George (“Butch”) in September of 1948. After divorce, Molly, Lynn and Butch relocated back to Jerome in 1950.

Molly married Rex Painter in 1957, they welcomed son David into the world in 1960. Molly relocated to Boise in 1966, where she began a 25-year love affair with her work as a physical therapist at the Idaho Elks Rehabilitation Hospital. Molly was tireless in her desire for patients to get better. “Can’t Not Spoken Here.” Molly poked, prodded, cajoled, rubbed, ICED and laughed her patients into progressing.

Lynn and treasured granddaughters, Mindee and Erin, shared homes and lives with “Mam” for almost two decades, cooperating and cohabitating from the time the girls were in grade school until they set off for successful adventures after college. Molly was so grateful to Lynn for her generous, loving care and companion-



ship.

Some of Molly’s favorite experiences were the summer spent with Sue, Lynn and Butch at the family cabin at Easley’s Plunge in the Sawtooth mountains; flying into the backcountry of Idaho with pilot Rob Donnelly and friend Laura Coleman; trip-of-a-lifetime to Europe with cousin Phyllis Beitia; being the team mascot for the Elks softball team; weekly lunches with her sisters, Sue (Bill) Galligan and Joyce (Summer) Delana; and hearing the latest news about her beloved children, George (Kaye) Borchers, Lynn Borchers Clem and David (Nancy) Lee-Painter; grandchildren, Mindee (Graham) Forman, Erin (Jamie) Kubena, Angie (Scott) Stewart, Bryan (Natalie) Borchers, Allix (Stevie) Potratz-Lee, Molli Lee-Painter and Molly Borchers; great-grandchildren, Ellie and Tate Kubena, Claire Forman, Lucian and Leto Borchers, and Kendall and McKenna Stewart.

We are marked by Molly’s unwavering love for family and her wise-cracking-smarty-pants sense of humor that made everyone a friend. Finally, we want to thank the staff at the Idaho Veterans Home for their compassionate care and attention.

Following Molly’s wishes, friends are invited to join her family at an open house in celebration of her life from 1 to 5 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 7, at 6300 Grandview Drive in Boise. In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation to the Idaho Veterans Home or the Idaho Elks Rehabilitation Hospital.

To share memories with the family, please visit Molly’s memorial webpage online at [www.cloverdale-funeralhome.com](http://www.cloverdale-funeralhome.com).

## Marcella M. Pooler

Marcella M. Pooler, 76, of Twin Falls, passed away Friday, July 23, 2010, at her home after a long illness.

Marcella was born Nov. 2, 1933, the second child of Clarence and Leona Bodenstab. She grew up on her grandparents’ (George and Florence Carter) farm and attended school in Hollister and Filer. She married Richard “Dick” L. Pooler in 1949 and they raised their four children in Twin Falls, except for living in Hanford, Calif., for one year.

She worked at being an exceptional homemaker and for a time at the Wonder Bread Thrift Store. She had been a member of the First Baptist Church, Eastern Star and the Dum



Club (CBer). She loved to garden and was always helpful to friends and family.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Dick; sister, Esther Grove; and a grandson, Marc. She is survived by her daughter, Marcy Gregg of San Diego, Calif.; sons, Kenneth Pooler and Rodney Pooler of Twin Falls; eight grandchildren, Drew, Kristy, Ashley, Mike, Shea, Sheridan, Joshua and Matthew; and also many great-grandchildren.

A private family gathering has been held in her honor. Cremation services have been provided by Parke’s Magic Valley Funeral Home. Condolences and memories may be shared at [www.magicvalleyfuneralhome.com](http://www.magicvalleyfuneralhome.com).

## SERVICES

**Wayne Miles Emory** of Boise, memorial at 10:30 a.m. today at the Meditation Garden of the Idaho Botanical Gardens, 2355 N. Penitentiary Road in Boise (Boise Funeral Home, Aclesia Chapel).

**Gladys Francis Killeen** of Idaho City, Mass at noon today at St. Joseph’s Church in Idaho City; rosary follows (Cloverdale Funeral Home in Boise).

**Dennis Wayne Thomas** of Boise, graveside service at 11 a.m. Monday at Sunset Memorial Park in Twin Falls; gathering follows at Lighthouse Christian Fellowship in Twin Falls.

**Juanita Louise Harmison** of Twin Falls, celebration of life at 11 a.m. Monday at Reynolds Funeral Chapel, 2466 Addison Ave. E. in

Twin Falls; visitation from 10 to 11 a.m. Monday at the funeral chapel.

**Norma F. Loveland** of Wendell, funeral at 11 a.m. Monday at the LDS Church in Wendell; visitation from 5 to 7 p.m. today at Demaray Wendell Chapel and one hour before the service Monday at the church.

**Richard Earl Long** of South Jordan, Utah, funeral at 11 a.m. Monday at the River Ridge LDS 8th Ward Church, 10194 S. 1050 W. in South Jordan, Utah; burial at 4:30 p.m. Monday at the Paul Cemetery in Paul; visitation from 5 to 7 p.m. today at the Jenkins-Soffe South Valley Funeral Home, 1007 W. South Jordan Parkway in South Jordan, Utah, and 10 to 10:45 a.m. Monday at the church (Rasmussen Funeral Home in Burley).

## William Lee Wettig

BLISS — Bill Wettig, 76, passed away peacefully at home on Monday, July 26, 2010.

Bill was born in Long Beach, Calif., on Aug. 26, 1933, but lived most of his life in Escondido, Calif. He joined the National Guard in 1950 and was in the 40th Infantry Division. He served in the Korean Conflict until 1951. Bill worked in underground pipeline construction and had his own company, W. L. Wettig Construction Co., in Escondido until 1983. He was also involved in the cattle business with William Tellam of Julian, Calif., for many years. One of the great loves of his life was ocean fishing, and nothing thrilled him more than helping someone catch a big one! In



1983, Bill opened Fisherman’s Headquarters, bait and tackle stores, in Escondido, Oceanside and Encinitas. In 1993, he moved to Idaho where he lived off and on out on Clover Creek.

Bill was preceded in death by his parents, Harold Wettig of Illinois and Ruth Stocker of Kansas; his brother, Harold Jr.; and his first wife, Josephine LaFrankie. He is survived by his wife, Marcie; his daughter, Jolyn Wolfe; his stepsons, Casey Hodges (Tisa) and Chris Hodges (Jessica); his brother, Milton (Diane); and two grandsons, Alex Wolfe and Jonathan Hodges. He was greatly loved and will be missed by all who knew him.

No services are planned.

## Roy Pope

RICHFIELD — Roy Pope, 70, passed away Thursday, July 29, 2010, at his home in Richfield, Idaho. He was with his wife, Rose, and special friends, Clara Bow, Robbie, Gurley and Tink.

Roy was born in Randolph, Utah, on Dec. 5, 1939, to Wilbur Benjamin and Esther Thornock Pope, the younger brother of Edwin, Frank, Bob, Karen and Connie. He was raised in Cokeville, Wyo., where his Dad, Wilbur worked for the Union Pacific Railroad. Mother, Esther worked at the Bright Spot Cafe. Roy spent most summers from a young age with his Aunt Ethel and Uncle LeGrand, working on the Val Steele Ranch at Lago, Idaho. He worked for Thompson Land and Livestock for many years. Lynn Johnson also worked for the ranch and drove their chariot team. He let Roy at 16 years of age drive his very first chariot team, and Roy was off and running. The 2009 racing season was his 54th year racing chariots. He missed the time he spent in the Army, but drove a team for Thompson Land and Livestock after he was released.

In 1962, he married Sylvia Palmer, daughter of Charlie and Lula Palmer. They had three children, Nicole, Daniel and Angela. Roy and Sylvia were later divorced.

In 1969, Roy came to the small town of White Sulphur Springs, Mont., driving a logging truck, where he met Rose Cogswell and her children, Tom and Annette. It was a match. They were together for 41 years. They moved back to Idaho and he immediately got his chariot team going. He was a horseman, deluxe. Horses were his passion. He worked for Klinger Cattle Co. outside of Minidoka. They had 400 or 500 mother cows. Roy rode and broke horses for a bunch of other people while he was on that ranch. He moved to the Burley area and worked for Martin and Anderson Farms for many years. The farm moved operations to Gooding and became San Tan Ranches. He worked for them until Mac Martin and his sons quit farming. He worked for Bob A. Robinson for a year, and then took over the Gooding Hide and Tallow, which he ran for 10 years. He worked for Arkoosh Farms for three years, Ambrose Farms five years, Bill Laidlaw one year, and then for S. Erwin Excavation in Bellevue for the rest of his career, driving truck. He loved working for Shannon Erwin and his company. Said, “Everyone should be so lucky.”

In between, Roy was a team roper, rode with the Gooding Sheriff’s Posse and their Jamboree team. He had boxes of awards and countless belt buckles from all of those activities. Roy and Rose had some super good rope horses and a couple that ran barrels



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## Mark Gregory Bright

BATTLE GROUND, Wash. — Mark Gregory Bright, age 53, died in Battle Ground, Wash., on Monday, July 19, 2010.

Mark was born in Twin Falls, Idaho, the son of Gregory and Joan Bright.

Mark was a skilled carpenter and was happiest when working on a building project. He was also a talented guitarist with a deep love for music.

Mark was preceded in death by both his parents as well as his brother, Steven Gregory Bright. Having grown up on a farm, Mark’s first love was farming and the land; however, he supported his family working in



the semiconductor industry.

Mark is survived by his wife, Ellen; his three children, Joshua Bright, Heather Schmitke and Stacy Bright; five grandchildren; and his sister, Diane Collins.

The family extends their gratitude to the many friends who have been a part of Mark’s life, especially the last few years. Our thanks to all for the kindness and friendship you gave to our loved one.

A memorial service will be held to celebrate Mark’s life at 4 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 8, at Battle Ground Baptist Church in Battle Ground, Wash.

## DEATH NOTICES

### Mitchell Koch

GOODING — Mitchell Koch, 54, of Gooding, died Friday, July 30, 2010, at North Canyon Medical Center in Gooding.

The funeral will be held at 10:30 a.m. Tuesday, Aug. 3, at the LDS Church in Wendell (Demaray Funeral Service, Wendell Chapel).

A service with military honors will be held at 2 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 3, at the Idaho State Veterans Cemetery in Boise; memorial service at 3:30 p.m. Tuesday at Aarenbrooke Assisted Living Home, 9327 Cory Lane in Boise (Alden-Waggoner Funeral Chapel in Boise).

### Melvin J. Crosby

JEROME — Melvin Jerome Crosby, 89, of Jerome, died Friday, July 30, 2010, at his home.

Arrangements will be announced by Farnsworth Mortuary of Jerome.

### Garth D Price

BOISE — Garth D Price, 91, of Boise and formerly of Twin Falls, died Wednesday, July 28, 2010, in a Boise assisted living facility.

For obituary rates and information, call 735-3266 Monday through Saturday. Deadline is 3 p.m. for next-day publication. The e-mail address for obituaries is [obits@magicvalley.com](mailto:obits@magicvalley.com). Death notices are a free service and can be placed until 4 p.m. every day.

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# WWII hero remembered as humble man

Over 600 attend services for Medal of Honor winner Vernon Baker

By Ken Olsen  
For The Associated Press

ST. MARIES — Vernon Baker provided comfort to a neighbor who had just lost his father and volunteered his labor to a newcomer the first time they met. He was gracious and humble — a hero not only for his courageous attack on German forces in World War II, but also for his the way he honored the 19 men from his platoon who died during that April 1945 battle.

Such were some of the memories that were shared Saturday with more than 600 people at Baker's funeral near this northern Idaho timber town. Baker, the only living black soldier to receive the Medal of Honor for his valor during the war, died at home July 13 from complications of brain cancer. He was 90.

Baker lived in a mountain valley 45 miles south of here since the late 1980s. His funeral was the largest gathering in St. Maries in Baker's honor since hundreds turned out for a fall 2004 fundraiser to help defray the medical expenses from his initial cancer treat-



Spokesman-Review/AP file photo

Vernon Baker of St. Maries is seen in March 2005. Baker, the last living black soldier who belatedly received the Medal of Honor for his role in World War II, died at his home near St. Maries on July 13.

ment.

The funeral at the Church of the Nazarene was attended by soldiers, airmen, National Guardsmen, Legionnaires, members of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, and others from across the country. The Idaho Honor Guard provided military honors, from a rotating two-man honor guard at Baker's urn throughout the service, to a rifle salute and taps in a nearby field afterward.

The most poignant moments included neighbor Bill Fletcher recounting how the first phone call he received after his father died

was from Baker. "It helped soften the blow to my heart and the pain I was feeling," Fletcher said.

Bill Shields, who met Baker shortly after buying a piece of property nearby, recounted Baker offering him the use of his phone, his shower and "he offered to help me dig a post hole," Shields said. "What a nice gesture from a man I didn't know?"

Baker's Medal of Honor came 52 years after he led a suicidal assault that helped the Allies breach the Gothic Line and drive the German Army out of northern Italy. He later recounted how his

white commander deserted him and his men during that April 1945 battle.

No black soldiers received the Medal of Honor, the nation's highest award for battlefield valor, during that era. An Army study initiated in the early 1990s concluded Baker and several other men had been denied the award because of racism.

Six other black World War II veterans received the medal posthumously at the 1997 White House ceremony where Baker received his overdue honors from President Bill Clinton.

Baker was born in Cheyenne, Wyo., on Dec. 17,

# EPA finds leaking containers in Rexburg

REXBURG (AP) — It cost more than \$100,000 to clean up thousands of containers of hazardous material at an eastern Idaho property, federal officials said, and they are awaiting additional test results to determine if more work is needed and if charges will be filed against the owner.

Greg Weigal of the Environmental Protection Agency officials said 3,748 containers of flammable and hazardous materials and about 30 derelict vehicles were removed from Max Spatig's property.

He said the materials were sent to Fernley, Nev., for disposal.

Officials were called to Spatig's property on July 7 to investigate a report of leaking containers.

"The end goal at this point is to get him into court and in front of a judge," said Capt. Travis Williams of the Madison County Sheriff's Office. "We are just trying to find out what the best remedy for this situation is so we can stop this from happening again."

Spatig says he has done nothing wrong.

# Single life is different in Idaho Falls

Non-Mormons feeling left out of local dating scene

By Joelyn Hansen  
Post Register

IDAHO FALLS (AP) — Bobby Jeffers of Idaho Falls seemed at ease in the downtown Alive After Five crowd on a Wednesday as he meandered through hundreds of people listening to music and enjoying cold beer on a hot summer evening.

The 27-year-old Virginia native and Idaho National Laboratory employee, sporting a shag haircut and aviator sunglasses, trekked down to the weekly event to relax, grab a beer and mingle with other singles.

Jeffers said he is not necessarily looking for a potential date, but if he happens to get one, that makes the event even better.

"I'm never on a mission to get a date, that's just how I operate," he said.

Jeffers, who moved to Idaho Falls in 2007 after graduating from Virginia Tech, quickly found out that being a single man in Idaho Falls who's unaffiliated with The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints is different from single life in other cities.

"It's always like a joke," he said. "It's like, 'You're single? Well, good luck!'"

Jeffers said he calculated



Post Register/AP photo

Bobby Jeffers, right, chats with a woman July 7 at Alive After Five, a weekly street party in downtown Idaho Falls. The 27-year-old Virginia native and Idaho National Laboratory employee said that being single in Idaho Falls is different from single life in other cities.

his dating pool and figures there are about 50 eligible women who fit his criteria in the entire city. He doesn't deny that the numbers depressed him at first.

If he wanted to date, Jeffers realized there was no percentage in waiting for women to come to him. He began attending Alive After Five and other community gatherings and also ventured outside of the city limits to meet women.

His last serious girlfriend, whom he dated for eight months, resided in Victor.

Other local singles say the hardest part about dating is that Idaho Falls, outside of the bar scene, lacks venues where non-Mormon singles can meet.

"(The bar) is kind of the only thing to do. If there are other outlets, I don't know about them," said Rachel

Harder, 21, Ali Lingley, 22, and Cole Shackett, 22, said that when it comes to socializing, they're all regulars at Alive After Five on Wednesdays, the Peppertree on Thursdays and the Shilo Inn on Saturdays.

But even with that, they wish Idaho Falls offered more community events or outdoor concerts geared toward young adults. They'd be excited if a dance club opened in the area to bring more of a "night life" to the city.

Jenny Brooks of Idaho Falls works as a barista at The Villa Coffeehouse in downtown Idaho Falls. She says a lot of social networking goes on before and after first dates or initial mingling.

Brooks, too, has met people during working hours and has ventured out on a few dates with a couple of men she has met at The Villa. But none has led to a relationship. She recalled one memorably wasted evening when she and her date spent the night silently wandering through a bookstore.

She wasn't too disappointed, though. Brooks' friends had noted that her interactions with her bookstore date were "strange."

She and her co-workers do have to fend off "creepers" at times, as some men will boldly ask them out on dates or leave unsolicited amorous notes on the tables. Villa's female employees keep a running list of "creepers" and their often bizarre behavior.

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EDITORIAL

## Truckers don't fill many potholes, but Idaho motorists do

Let's say you drive a passenger car four miles to work and four miles home, using the same road. That pencils out to 251 days — minus weekends and a two-week vacation — a year.

It will take five years for your car to do as much damage to the pavement as a single axle on a fully loaded truck making one trip down that road.

And if you're a motorist in Idaho, you're paying far more to fix that road than if you're a trucker.

Those are among the conclusions of a study the Battelle Group, a consulting firm based in Richland, Wash., did for Gov. C.L. "Butch" Otter's transportation task force. They put a whole new spin on the question of how Idaho should pay for road maintenance.

Drivers of passenger cars are overpaying by as much as 47 percent, pickup drivers are overpaying by up to 18 percent and heavy combination semi-trucks as underpaying by as much as 33 percent, according to the Battelle report.

To put it another way, big trucks pay for just 67 percent of the costs they create.

That's because the Legislature repealed Idaho's weight-distance tax in 2001 after a lawsuit. Since then, heavy trucks have paid only registration fees.

That's outrageous. The revenue from that weight-distance tax, if collected over the past nine years, would have gone a long way toward making up the state's \$100 million to \$200 million road building backlog.

Two years ago, the governor proposed a big car registration fee hike to help close that gap, but only a small increase for trucks. That, like the gas tax increase, went nowhere in the Legislature.

Otter wanted a study before changing truck fees. Now, the governor and lawmakers have some answers, thanks to the Battelle report. What are they going to do about it?

Very likely, not much. There's minimal support in the Legislature for raising the gas tax and registration fees or slapping a tax on rental cars.

Given that climate, the best suggestion we've heard comes from state Rep. Marv Hagedorn, R-Meridian, a member of the transportation task force.

"We can't raise gas taxes enough," he told a meeting of the task force last week. "We can't raise registrations enough. We can't tax rental cars enough. I think the rest of the task force is going to come to the same conclusion we in the Legislature did — wow, we're way behind, and we maybe need to start to incrementally fix this?"

Question is, can the Legislature muster enough political will to make a start?

Make no mistake, it must begin soon. Lt. Gov. Brad Little, the chairman of the task force, estimates the road building gap will reach \$250 million in the next few years.

And the longer Idaho waits, the more expensive it's going to get.

Why not start with a penny-a-gallon gas tax increase, the same proposal the Legislature rejected last year? That would raise just \$8.2 million a year — not much in the scheme of things — but it's a beginning.

Meanwhile, the Legislature must bring some equity to the car-truck road funding imbalance. And it should do so during the coming session.

**Our view:**

Big trucks must pay their fair sharing of fixing Idaho's roads.

**What do you think?**

We welcome viewpoints from our readers on this and other issues.

# DOUBTS ABOUT THE WELCOME MAT



AP photo

Guest workers from Mexico ride a school bus to obtain their Social Security numbers to begin working on a farm in Brewster, Wash. In a Boise State University survey, most Idahoans said they don't believe that a stricter immigration policy will harm Idaho's economy.

## In BSU poll, Idahoans take a hard line on immigration

By Greg Hill

Evidence suggests that public opinion has a significant and measurable impact on legislative, executive and citizen interaction. The state of Idaho is no exception. In this white paper, we examine a sample of the opinions of Idahoans, as expressed in the Public Policy Survey, on the subject of immigration.

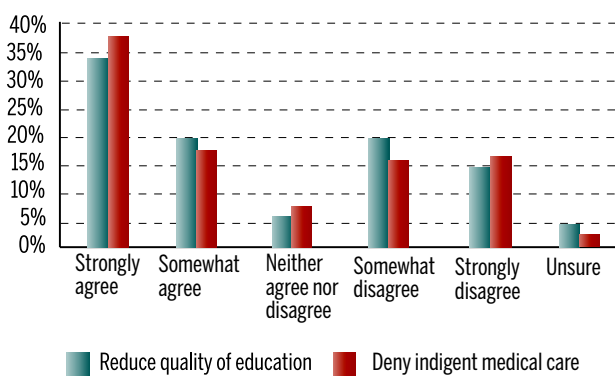
In the 18th and 19th Annual Idaho Public Policy Surveys, the survey sample was asked to respond to a number of questions concerning immigration in Idaho. Questions on the survey ranged from economic impacts to the quality of education to indigent medical care. Of the many benefits that the data offers, some of the not inconsequential benefits are an additional outlet through which citizens may express their opinions, and additional information provided for decision makers.

Generally, the information gathered from the survey is used discretely, year by year, to inform policy-makers. The following is a list of findings:

- Idaho residents feel strongly that undocumented

"The majority of those surveyed — 54 percent — answered that they strongly agreed or somewhat agreed with the statement that undocumented immigrants reduce the overall quality of education for Idaho children."

### Education vs. indigent medical care



SANDY SALAS/Times-News graphic

immigrants reduce the quality of education for Idaho children.

- Idahoans have indicated that they feel that counties should deny indigent medical care to undocumented immigrants.

- An English-only policy for the state of Idaho is a very popular concept for Idahoans.

- Stricter immigration policy is not likely to negatively affect the economy.

Our sense is that the presentation of the perceptions of the public related to immigration is only part of the story. What is clearly missing is any secondary empirical analysis of, for instance, the measurable effects of illegal immigrants on school performance. What we seem to glean from this analysis is that there is much yet to be learned about immigration and its effects on Idaho and

Idahoans.

In 2006 and 2007, the Social Science Research Center at Boise State University included a number of questions concerning illegal immigration and undocumented immigrants in its statewide survey of Idahoans in order to better understand the public's concerns and opinions. The survey is administered to a minimum of 500 Idaho citizens each year, with the data being weighted according to the proportion of the total state population within each of six geographic regions. The regions are weighted in order to create a more representative sample of the population of Idaho.

While the numbers change slightly, the survey has found that Idaho's population adheres to recognizable trends.

### Illegal immigrants and education

In terms of building educational "culture," Eugene Garcia, in his book *Hispanic Education in the United States*, posits that there is a correlation between the cultural match of school and

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## American Salzburg: Toscanini in Sun Valley

*Editor's note: This is the first in a series of occasional columns about the history of the Wood River Valley.*

A retired Navy officer and a Twin Falls resident for more than three decades, James Varley has written several historical books about the West — including "Tales of the Tract," compiled from columns that ran in the *Times-News* from 2002 to 2004 to mark Twin Falls' centennial.

By James Varley

It was W. Averell Harriman, chairman of the board of the Union Pacific Railroad — which established Sun Valley — who arranged for the resort's first concert. At his urging, the Mormon Tabernacle Choir came up



Blaine County Yesterdays from Salt Lake City and, on Sunday, July 23, 1939, transmitted its weekly radio broadcast from the Opera House.

The following day, the 325-voice choir presented a "Pioneer Day" concert to celebrate the 92nd anniversary of the Mormons' first settlement in Utah. The event was staged in a newly built Sun Valley sports stadium, which some 2,500 people filled to hear a program of classical and sacred works. Music critics from Western cities showered praise on the concert and

### ABOUT TOSCANINI

When he came to Sun Valley, Arturo Toscanini was at the peak of his career. Born at Parma, Italy, and trained as a cellist, he had been conducting since 1886, when he was a mere 19 years old. He had served 15 years as resident conductor at Milan's opera house, La Scala; six years at New York City's Metropolitan Opera, and had led the New York Philharmonic for a decade. Also, for many years he was the pre-eminent conductor at the annual summer music festivals at Bayreuth, Germany; Salzburg, Austria, and Lucerne, Switzerland, leading various European orchestras. He conducted the world premieres of Ruggero Leoncavallo's opera *Pagliacci* (1892) and Giacomo Puccini's *La Boheme* (1896), *Turandot* (1926) and *Girl of the Golden West* (1910). Toscanini was featured three times on the cover of *Time* magazine — in 1926, 1934 and 1948. The latter issue declared him to be "the greatest living conductor and an incorruptible man in a corruptible world."

talked of making Sun Valley an "American Salzburg" which, like that Bavarian village, would sponsor annual summer music festivals.

And, indeed, there has been classical music at the resort nearly every summer since that first concert,

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# Where the Democrats should go from here

I was a liberal Democrat when I was young. I used to wear a green Army jacket with political buttons on it — for Hubert Humphrey, Birch Bayh, John F. Kennedy and Franklin Roosevelt. I even wore that jacket in my high school yearbook photo.



David Brooks

It's a magic green jacket. I can put it on today and, suddenly, my mind shifts back to the left. I start thinking like a Democrat, feeling a strange accompanying hunger for brown rice.

When I put on that magic jacket today, I feel beleaguered but kind of satisfied. I feel beleaguered because the political winds are blowing so ferociously against "my" party. But I feel satisfied because the Democrats have overseen a bunch of programs that, while unappreciated now, are probably going to do a lot of good in the long run.

But the magic jacket-wearing me is nervous about the next few years. I'm afraid my party is going to get stuck in the same old debates that we always lose. First, we're going to have the same old tax debate. We're going to not extend the Bush tax cuts on the rich. The Republicans will blast us for killing growth and raising taxes as they did in 2000 and 2004.

Then we'll get stuck in the same old spending debate.

So I sit there in my magic green jacket and I wonder: What can my party do to avoid the big government tag that always leads to catastrophe? Then I remember President Obama's vow to move us beyond the stale old debates. Maybe he couldn't really do that in the first phase of his presidency when he was busy responding to the economic crisis, but perhaps he can do it now in the second phase.

I think: What would happen if Obama sidestepped the fruitless and short-term stimulus debate and instead focused on the long term? He could explain that we're facing deep fundamental problems: an aging population, overleveraged consumers, exploding government debt, state and local bankruptcies, declining human capital, widening inequality, a pattern of jobless recoveries, deteriorating trade imbalances and so on.

These long-term problems, Obama could say, won't be solved either with centralized government or free market laissez-faire. Just as government laid railroads and built land grant colleges in the 19th century to foster deep growth, the government today should be doing the modern equivalents.

Not much is going to get passed in the next two years anyway, but the president could lay the groundwork for a whopping second-term agenda: tax simplification, entitlement reform, a new wave of regional innovation clusters, a new wave of marriage-friendly tax policies. If the president is looking for a long-term growth agenda, he could read "Path to Prosperity," co-edited by Jason Furman and Jason Bordoff, or "The Pro-Growth Progressive" written by Gene Sperling. Some of these guys already are on his staff.

Eventually, I see a party breaking out of old stereotypes, appealing to entrepreneurs and suburbanites again, and I start feeling good about the future. Then I take off the magic green jacket and return to my old center-right self. A chill sweeps over me: Gosh, what if the Democrats really did change in that way?

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# Immigrants

Continued from Opinion 1

home. In other words, homes that emphasize education will see better results. However, this is not solely the burden of the home. Garcia argues that the absence of social resources can have a deleterious effect on the school, and may be one of the indicators to account for educational inequalities among Hispanics and non-Hispanics.

Hispanics, either of legal or illegal immigration status, struggle in the classroom. Kenneth Meier and Joseph Stewart, in their book *The Politics of Hispanic Education*, claim that Hispanic students are denied the same educational opportunities that their non-Hispanic counterparts enjoy. In fact, discrimination leads to, among other things, higher dropout rates among Hispanics. Others have argued that Latino students are treated as second-class citizens, and as such, deny them many of the opportunities (such as access to core curriculum and access to college).

On the 19th Annual Public Policy Survey, respondents were asked the following statement:

"In your opinion, undocumented immigrants reduce the overall quality of education for Idaho children?" The majority of those surveyed — 54 percent — answered that they strongly agreed or somewhat agreed with the statement that undocumented immigrants reduce the overall quality of education for Idaho children.

Approximately 35 percent of those surveyed indicated that they somewhat or strongly disagreed with the statement that undocumented immigrants reduce the overall quality of education for Idaho children.

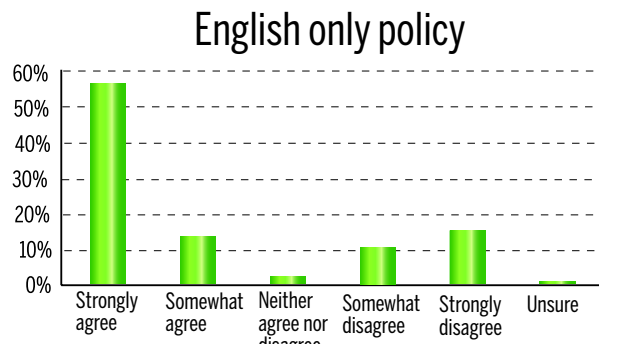
## Immigrants and health care

California Proposition 187, among other things, seeks to deny health care to undocumented immigrants and their children. Pete Wilson, governor of California in the 1990s sensed the growing unease in his state with relation to the growing immigrant population, and attempted to seize upon it politically by decrying the illegal immigrants as job stealers, burdens to hospitals and schools and tax evaders. Wilson's opposition to illegal immigration and support for Proposition 187 in California was a significant pivot in the contemporary debate on the image and impacts of undocumented immigrants in the United States. Not all are convinced of Wilson's "job stealer" construction of illegal reduction in education quality.

Aviva Chomsky, in her book *They Take Our Jobs!*, argues that the only ones hurt by presenting false documentation to work in the formal economy are the immigrants themselves, as the appropriate taxes are still withheld from their paychecks while there is no recourse for the worker to claim them, and no access to the benefits they are paying for (i.e., Social Security or employment).

The statement, "In your opinion, counties should deny indigent medical care to undocumented immigrants?" appeared on the 19th Annual Idaho Public Policy Survey. Responses from those surveyed are as follows:

• Over 50 percent of the respondents strongly or somewhat agreed with the statement that counties in



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Idaho should deny indigent medical care to undocumented immigrants.

• Over 30 percent of the respondents either strongly or somewhat disagreed with the statement that counties should deny indigent medical care to undocumented immigrants.

## English-only legislation

Are the consequences of immigration always negative? From a political perspective, Lee Taeku, S.K. Ramakrishnan, and Ricardo Ramirez, in their book *Transforming Politics, Transforming America*, question what the consequences of immigration actually are. There has been little consensus through the years. Anti-immigration sentiments have been vocalized vis-a-vis citizen initiatives in California with Propositions 63 (declaring English as the official state language) and 187 (among other things, seeking to deny health care to undocumented immigrants and their children) and 227, which all but abolished bilingual education. In fact, there are 16 states that have enacted English-only legislation. The 16 English-only states are: Arizona, Arkansas, California, Colorado, Florida, Georgia, Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky, Mississippi, Nebraska, North Carolina, North Dakota, South Carolina, Tennessee and Virginia.

• Fifty-six percent strongly agreeing that Idaho should adopt an English-only policy. Overall, 68 percent of respondents either strongly or somewhat agreed that Idaho should adopt an English-only policy.

• Approximately 27 percent of respondents either somewhat or strongly disagreed with the statement that Idaho should adopt an English-only policy.

## Immigration and the economy

The rhetoric in favor of the case for closing borders and stopping the flood of illegal immigration is expansive. For instance, Steven Malanga, who writes for the online publication City-Journal, states, "These immigrants have picked our fruit, cleaned our homes, cut our grass, worked in our factories, and washed our cars. But they have also crowded into our hospital emergency rooms, schools, and government-subsidized aid programs, sparking a fierce debate about their contributions to our society and the costs they impose on it." In fact, Oklahoma has legislation targeting illegal immigration. In April 2010, the state of Arizona passed legislation authorizing police to check immigration status to anyone they suspect to be in the country illegally, which has only exacerbated the discussion and elevated the immigration debate even more into the realm of public discourse. Further evidence, at least in the form of public opinion polls, reinforces the negative effect on the public that illegal immigrants can have. For example, according to one poll, 89 percent of Americans think illegal

immigration into the U.S. is a problem (30 percent "extremely serious," 33 percent "very serious," and 26 percent "somewhat serious" (*Time* magazine, January 2006), and a *New York Times*/CBS poll reports that 82 percent of those polled believe that not enough is being done along the borders to keep illegal immigrants from crossing into the country.

For example, there is a well-developed academic literature on the non-negative economic impact of illegal immigrants. Richard Jones, in his book *Immigrants Outside Megalopolis: Ethnic Transformation of the Heartland*, argues that Mexican immigrants perform what he calls the "3-D jobs," meaning dirty, dangerous, and dead-end, which in turn, marginalizes them from mainstream society even more as the pay and benefits associated with 3-D jobs pushes the workers out of the mainstream economy and out on the fringe, in terms of pay and benefits. In his book *Immigrants and the American City*, Thomas Muller notes that government and business generally favor more liberal immigration policies because of positive economic and societal impacts, while the general population, for fear of change in the cultural identity, are generally less comfortable with immigrants and support stricter immigration laws and policies.

Muller further argues that immigrants play a vital role in the economic growth of America, particularly in the large cities. While he concedes that immigrants absorb jobs from native-born citizens, he also contends that the contribution to the tax base counterbalances those losses.

"Immigration remains the most pragmatic way to supplement the American work force in occupations short of dependable help."

In the 18th Annual Idaho Public Policy Survey, those surveyed were asked to respond to the statement, "In your opinion, a stricter immigration policy will negatively impact Idaho's economy?"

• The plurality of respondents strongly disagreed with the statement that stricter immigration policy will negatively affect Idaho's economy, with 31 percent of the responses.

• The next greatest concentration of responses is found in the "somewhat agree" category, with 25 percent of the respondents indicating thusly to the statement.

• Those respondents who strongly agreed with the statement make up 16 percent. The difference in percentage of respondents who strongly agreed and those who strongly disagreed is

15 percent.

To interpret these survey responses and draw analysis from them is to tell a story that is not complete. What we know, it seems, is that there is much that we do not know related to immigration and its effects on policies in Idaho. We have a fairly clear understanding of how Idahoans perceive immigrant influences from these surveys. The question is, to what extent do perceptions adhere to actual implications?

The aforementioned scholars lead to the following conclusions:

1. Undocumented students have cultural biases against them, either tacit or direct. Often, from a cultural perspective, English is not the primary language spoken in the home or even the community.

2. Latino students — and undoubtedly undocumented students — have a higher dropout rate than their Anglo and African American counterparts. Clearly, the theoretical assumptions of the struggles of Hispanic students would lead us to conclude that overall, their scores on performance indicators will be lower than their non-Hispanic counterparts.

The Pew Hispanic Center reports that based on its predictions, 8.5 million of the 10.3 million unauthorized migrants are Hispanic, but does not provide state-level numbers, and again, these are only predictions.

The illegal immigrant population is a notoriously difficult population to study empirically, as they are a population that does not prefer to be found. However, there are potential paths around these barriers. For example, in Idaho, we do not track undocumented students in schools. In fact, *Plyler vs. Doe* (1982) forbids denying public education to undocumented students. The Idaho State Department of Education has no official policy for tracking or recording undocumented students. Were we to have empirical data, we could test, for instance, the actual effect of undocumented students on overall performance.

We can look to other states as examples of this. In

Texas, if a student wants to register for public education and does not show proof of citizenship (i.e., Social Security card) the student is then assigned a personal identification number. The district also collects demographic characteristics. Thus, in Texas, researchers are able to triangulate the population of Hispanic students with PINs at the district level, thus providing a rough proxy for undocumented students.

Clearly, there is more to tell in this story. To what extent do perceptions match reality? What other measures are being used to set policy with regards to immigration? Answering these questions will assist in answering the dilemmas that surround the supercharged emotional issues of immigration.

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# Varley

**Continued from Opinion 1** including a renowned music camp for students held in the 1960s and '70s.

Come summertime these days, one can enjoy listening to some of North America's best musicians play the classics in Sun Valley's new pavilion. Founded in 1985, the privately funded Sun Valley Summer Symphony has presented free concerts to over 20,000 people in recent years, under the leadership of its maestro, Alasdair Neale.

But, few of these concert-goers realize that Arturo Toscanini — perhaps the world's most renowned conductor — once came to the resort and directed two free concerts in a single day.

The year was 1950, and the National Broadcasting Company Symphony Orchestra was making a 42-day national concert tour. They had just performed in Seattle and were returning home to New York City when 83-year-old Toscanini, decided to let his musicians spend a few hours seeing Sun Valley.

The NBC Symphony was a radio orchestra founded in 1937 especially for Toscanini. In the 17 years of its existence it made weekly broadcasts from Manhattan's Radio City Music Hall, bringing fine classical music regularly into American homes. It attracted top musicians eager to play under Toscanini.

The entire entourage of instrumentalists, network officials and press agents was traveling aboard a Union Pacific 15-car special train. As it arrived at Ketchum, early on the morning of May 12, the train was met by a band of whooping cowboys who gave Toscanini a "wild West" welcome as they galloped alongside his car, firing blank cartridges. When the train came to a halt, Toscanini stepped



Courtesy Sun Valley Resort  
Arturo Toscanini rides a chairlift during a May 1950 visit to Sun Valley.

down briskly, to be greeted by Union Pacific officials.

The 43-piece band was there from Hailey High School and, when it struck up a lively march, some of Toscanini's musicians couldn't resist borrowing instruments from the young Hailey bandsmen. Others from the orchestra went to the baggage car for their own instruments to play several numbers with the students.

Even Toscanini joined in to conduct the final march of the impromptu concert, and then thrilled Hailey's band teacher, Ralph Anderson, by giving him one of the batons used on the concert tour.

Special buses then took the visitors to Sun Valley where they had breakfast at the Lodge before proceeding to enjoy the resort's amusements. At famous Bald Mountain, Toscanini astonished onlookers by nimbly hopping aboard an ascending chair; and he gaily applauded members of his

orchestra as they passed, crying "Bellissimo," with boyish enthusiasm. At the

Round House, halfway up the slope, he paused to admire the view and chat with late-season skiers. Was he scared? Not a bit, scoffed the old man. He had been a mountain climber in his youth.

The maestro then retired to Averell Harriman's private cottage, and stretched out on the grass for an hour's rest and to watch his grandson, Yale sophomore Walfredo Toscanini, play tennis.

Later in the day, a festive party and barbecue was held at the Trail Creek Cabin. There, members of the orchestra and some of the crew of the special train banded themselves into a "Sad Symphony" of toy ukuleles, wash tubs, kazoos and slide whistles to play satiric takeoffs on Wagner and Sousa. Then a waiter sang *O' Man River* and a quartet of porters harmonized on *Down by the Old Mill Stream*. Finally, at his musicians' urging, the little Italian perfectionist stood up — in shirt sleeves, suspenders

and a beret — to conduct them in a rousing version of *Stars and Stripes Forever*, using a pencil as a baton.

Toscanini was given a deafening ovation by his musicians at the close of the noisy rendition of the march. He acknowledged his triumph with a sweeping bow.

Toscanini's impromptu behavior on that day in Sun Valley seemed to be entirely out of character. He had a reputation for being a fanatical perfectionist, who bawled out offending musicians or hurled batons at them. He had once told a performer that "God tells me how the music should sound, but you get in my way."

He was also famous for shunning his idolaters, hiding himself from the public and for consistently refusing interviews, in order to leave time to work.

Perhaps the ambiance of Sun Valley had made him want to be just "one of the boys," on that fun-filled but very short day. In any

event, that same evening the special train, carrying Toscanini and his entourage, pulled out of Ketchum, en route to Denver for the next concert.

Toscanini left the NBC Symphony in April 1954 and died three years later at his home in New York, at age 89. A Requiem Mass was held for him in St. Patrick's Cathedral and many prominent musicians and world leaders praised his accomplishments. Preceding a performance of *Madame Butterfly* at the Metropolitan Opera, Dimitri Mitropoulos conducted the prelude to Act IV of Verdi's *La Traviata* — a composition beloved by Toscanini. The entire audience rose to pay silent tribute.

The great man was laid to rest in Milan.

*The Sun Valley Summer Symphony's 2010 season begins Sunday with a benefit concert featuring Garth Brooks.*



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Toscanini, a short man, liked to conduct from an unusually high, small platform. Some said this drew many people who weren't much interested in the music, but enjoyed watching his balancing act.

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# NATION & WORLD

## Informant says WikiLeaks suspect had civilian help

By David Dishneau  
Associated Press writer

HAGERSTOWN, Md. — An Army private charged with leaking classified material to the whistleblower website WikiLeaks had civilian help, a key figure in the case said Saturday.

The development, first reported in the *New York Times*, suggests an expansion of the government's investigation into leaks including more than 76,900 secret Afghanistan war records posted on WikiLeaks in the past week.

Army officials didn't

immediately return calls and e-mails from The Associated Press asking if they are looking at possible civilian accomplices of Army Pfc. Bradley E. Manning, who's charged under military law with leaking classified material. FBI officials declined to comment and referred inquiries to the Pentagon.

Adrian Lamo, the Sacramento, Calif.-based computer hacker who turned in Bradley to military authorities in May, claimed in a telephone interview Saturday he had firsthand knowledge that someone

helped Manning set up encryption software to send classified information to WikiLeaks.

Lamo, who's cooperating with investigators, wouldn't name the person but said the man was among a group of people in the Boston area who work with WikiLeaks. He said the man told him "he actually helped Private Manning set up the encryption software he used."

Lamo said the software enabled Manning to send classified data in small bits so that it would seem innocuous.

"It wouldn't look too

much different from your average guy doing his banking on line," Lamo said.

He said Manning sent the data to get the attention of WikiLeaks founder Julian Assange.

Assange didn't immediately respond to an e-mailed query from AP about Lamo's claim.

Also on Saturday, a New York Times reporter who has been the newspaper's liaison with Assange, dismissed Assange's claim that WikiLeaks had offered to let U.S. government officials go through leaked documents to ensure that no innocent

people were identified. Assange told the Australian Broadcasting Corp. in an interview that aired Thursday that the New York Times had acted as an intermediary and that the White House hadn't responded to the offer.

Times reporter Eric Schmitt told the AP that on the night of July 23, at White House spokesman's Robert Gibbs' request, he relayed to Assange a White House request that WikiLeaks not publish information that could lead to people being physically harmed.

The next evening, Schmitt

said, Assange replied in an e-mail that WikiLeaks was withholding 15,000 documents for review. Schmitt said Assange wrote that WikiLeaks would consider recommendations made by the International Security Assistance Force "on the identification of innocents for this material if it is willing to provide reviewers."

Schmitt said he forwarded the e-mail to White House officials and Times editors.

"I certainly didn't consider this a serious and realistic offer to the White House to vet any of the documents before they were to be post-

# 'It's a revolving door'

## A look inside the govt's deportation flights

By Sophia Tareen  
Associated Press Writer

CHICAGO (AP) — Guillermo Campos Ojeda stares blankly at the clouds from the jetliner's window, mentally retracing the 22 years that he lived in the United States as an illegal immigrant.

His odyssey began in 1988 with an illegal border crossing and ended in May when he was pulled over for driving without a license. In between were double shifts at a Chicago factory, a string of run-ins with the law, a marriage and his ultimate joy: the birth of his daughter, now 2, who is a U.S. citizen.

But on this flight arranged by the federal government, his journey takes a new turn: Ojeda is being deported along with 52 other illegal immigrants. Their day starts at a suburban Chicago processing center and ends with a lonely walk across a bridge from Brownsville, Texas, into Mexico.

"For 10 years, I worked two jobs. I didn't ask the government for anything, not welfare, nothing," he said in Spanish, awkwardly wiping away tears with the backs of his hands, which are shackled like those of all the passengers. "I'm not perfect, but there are consequences, and I have to pay."

Flights like this one leave from some 40 U.S. cities, sometimes on a daily basis. In the last year, more than 350,000 illegal immigrants have been deported — about 220,000 by plane. The number of immigrants sent back to their homelands has more than tripled in the last decade and is expected to continue soaring.

An Associated Press reporter was permitted to go on a recent flight, obtaining a rare glimpse into the emotional final hours of illegal immigrants who are leaving their American lives for uncertain futures in Mexico.

The day starts before sunrise for each of the 53 deportees brought from area prisons to a U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement center in Broadview, Ill.

In large holding cells, many of the immigrants wait wrapped in scratchy brown blankets as Mexican consulate officials review their papers and give each \$20 to use on the other side of the border.

Ojeda says goodbye to his wife and child over a phone in a room where glass separates visitors. Speaking into the telephone, he looks intently at his wife and baby girl. Nearby a sign reads, "No touching allowed."

Most of those aboard the flight came to authorities' attention after being convicted of a crime in the U.S.



Shackled Mexican immigrants are directed by a guard as they are deported by U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement on May 25 in Harlingen, Texas.

AP photos



Moises Calvillo gets off a jet chartered by the U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement with other illegal Mexican immigrants, May 25 in Harlingen, Texas. Calvillo, of Los Angeles, had one of the longest rap sheets in the group — weapons charges, battery, immigration offenses. This was his third deportation from the U.S.

One was convicted of murder, 16 for assault, 11 for driving under the influence, nine for drug charges and six for theft. Another six had no criminal backgrounds.

By 9 a.m., they are lined up, searched and shackled — no matter the crime. The sound of chains and handcuffs echoes down the hallway.

"I'll be on my way back, man!" a man yells at a guard as he's being cuffed.

Among the group is 24-year-old Alberto Ortiz Hernandez, who came to the U.S. as a teenager, speaks better English than Spanish and has a wife who is a U.S. citizen.

The baby-faced resident of Appleton, Wis., missed an important 2009 hearing in his immigration case and was immediately ordered deported. Hernandez didn't leave, but lived as covertly as possible until he was picked up in March for driving without a license.

He has a shot at coming back to the U.S. legally but will have to wait for several years in Mexico City with

his mother and two sisters.

"I want to do the right thing," he says.

His wife, Farrah Hernandez, who's expecting a child, worries about paying bills without her husband's income.

"If he comes back the wrong way, he'll never be able to apply for residency," she said in a phone interview. "The only thing you can do is wait."

At a quiet terminal away from the hustle of the nation's second-busiest airport, deportation flights leave O'Hare International Airport twice a week. They are chartered either by ICE or the U.S. Marshals Service.

As passengers are patted down and searched, security officers lay out the immigrants' bags on the tarmac, each one marked with a mug shot. One beat-up black duffel bag was filled with clothes. A green barracks bag is topped with socks. One clear plastic bag has two Spanish Bibles in it.

Moises Calvillo, a Los

Angeles man with a shaved head and goatee, has one of the longest rap sheets in the group — weapons charges, battery, immigration offenses. This is his third deportation from the U.S.

The 46-year-old arrived in 1979 from Tijuana and started making jewelry at a shop in southern California. The next few decades were laden with arrests and convictions.

He expects this to be his final trip back to Mexico. The jewelry business had been declining and communication with his eight children had been minimal. They are all U.S. citizens, including a probation officer, a soldier stationed in Iraq and a deputy for the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Office.

"I can't complain," he says while awaiting the flight. "Nobody mistreated me."

Some of the immigrants sent away on these flights will be back, perhaps soon. Authorities at ICE say they must carry out the law, even when that means returning the same people repeatedly at an average cost of \$650 per person for the one-way flight.

"It's a fact of life. They're the border crossers, that's what they do," said ICE's chief of flight operations, Craig Charles. "They live there. They come across, and they'll get caught. It is a revolving door."

Later this year, the agency is set to start a tactic aimed at deterring immediate re-crossings. Flights will be taken to the interior of Mexico, which will make it harder for immigrants to return right away.

Even so, experts are doubtful illegal immigration will decline without economic incentives or a significant change in the law.

Most people, including the estimated 12 million illegal immigrants living in the U.S., are waiting to hear more from President Obama, who so far has

addressed immigration reform by amping up border security and challenging Arizona's controversial immigration law, the toughest in the nation.

"He's talked a lot," said Rene Roman Navarrete, a 36-year-old illegal immigrant from Acapulco aboard the flight who's crossed illegally at least twice. "But nothing has been done."

When the plane lands in Harlingen, Texas, the immigrants are loaded on a bus that drives by fields of tall sorghum on the way to the border.

In Brownsville, officers unshackle each of the detainees, hand them their belongings and walk them across the high-traffic bridge.

As the group crosses, one pedestrian spots them, throws his hands up and mutters, "It's a revolving door!"

Waiting on the other side are smugglers on the lookout for deported immigrants, who are easily spotted by the bags of belongings that bear their names and mugshots.

Ojeda was among the last people released. In 1998, he tried to cross and was apprehended by border agents who sent him back the same day. He made another attempt shortly thereafter.

But this time, he says, he won't try to come back. The consequences are too great: an increased jail sentence and the threat to his health, especially because of his diabetes.

Carrying a small bag of clothes, a little cash and a two-week supply of insulin, the 40-year-old man walks over the bridge. Despite the hardship of separation, he won't consider asking his family to join him in Mexico.

"There isn't work. There aren't resources. There are a lot of drugs. There's a lot of violence," Ojeda says. "I wouldn't bring my daughter into that."

## Mexican police free reporters nabbed by cartel

MEXICO CITY (AP) — Federal police rescued two kidnapped news cameramen in northern Mexico on Saturday, five days after they were seized by drug traffickers in a bid to get their employers to broadcast cartel messages.

Local journalists in Mexico have long been under siege from drug traffickers, but Monday's kidnapping of journalists with national television networks, including the nation's largest Televisa, shocked many Mexicans. Two other journalists abducted the same day were released earlier.

Public Safety Secretary Genaro Garcia Luna said Javier Canales of Milenio Multimedia Television and Alejandro Hernandez of Televisa were freed before dawn Saturday in the city of Gomez Palacio, where the men had been held in a residential area.

Garcia Luna, who was accompanied by the two cameramen at a Mexico City news conference, said the Sinaloa drug cartel was responsible for the abductions and that the kidnappers guarding the reporters escaped.

The Sinaloa drug cartel is run by Joaquin "El Chapo" Guzman, Mexico's most-wanted drug lord. On Thursday, one of the cartel's leaders, Ignacio "Nacho" Coronel, was killed by troops in an unrelated military operation in the western city of Guadalajara.

"What this criminal group sought ... was the transmission of organized crime messages that would have an impact on the community," Garcia Luna said.

Shortly after the abductions, the kidnappers demanded that the journalists' employers broadcast videos of two police officers and two civilians being interrogated and accusing officials of favoring the rival Zetas drug gang.

Milenio Television on Tuesday aired the three short videos.

Media advocates called the new tactic an escalation of a campaign by drug gangs to control information.

The cameramen were abducted along with a Televisa reporter after leaving a prison where they had covered a protest against the arrest of its warden.

The reporter, Hector Gordo, was freed Thursday after authorities negotiated his release, Garcia Luna said.

A journalist for a local newspaper was abducted the same day in a separate incident in Gomez Palacio. Garcia Luna said that reporter, Oscar Solis, had been released earlier in the week.

# Death toll in Pakistani floods passes 800; many still missing

By Nabeel Yusuf and Riaz Khan  
Associated Press writers

NEWSHERA, Pakistan — The death toll in the massive flooding in Pakistan surged past 800 as floodwaters receded Saturday in the hard-hit northwest, an official said. The damage to roads, bridges and communications networks hindered rescuers, while the threat of disease loomed as some evacuees arrived in camps with fever, diarrhea and skin problems.

Even for a country used to tragedy — especially deadly suicide attacks by Taliban militants — the scale of this past week's flooding has been shocking. Monsoon rains come every year, but rarely with such fury. The devastation came in the wake of the worst-ever plane crash in Pakistan, which killed 152 people in Islamabad on Wednesday.

In neighboring eastern Afghanistan, floods killed 64 people and injured 61 others in the past week, while destroying hundreds of homes and huge stretches of farmland, according to Matin Edrak, director of the Afghan government's disaster department.

As rivers swelled in Pakistan's northwest, people sought ever-shrinking high ground or grasped for trees and fences to avoid getting swept away. Buildings simply crumbled into the raging river in Kalam, a town in the northern part of the Swat Valley, Geo TV showed Saturday.

Reports coming in from districts around the northwest, where such flooding has not been seen since 1929, showed at least 800 people had died, said Mian Iftikhar Hussain, the region's information minister. The U.N. estimated that some 1 million people nationwide were affected by the disaster, though it didn't specify exactly what that meant.



Pakistani children sit on a bed to eat food Saturday in a flood-hit area near Multan, Pakistan.

AP photo

Floodwaters were receding in the region, and many people remain missing, Hussain said.

Over 30,000 Pakistani army troops engaged in rescue and relief work had evacuated 19,000 trapped people by Saturday night, said army spokesman Maj. Gen. Athar Abbas.

"The level of devastation is so widespread, so large," he said. "It is quite possible that in many areas there is damage, deaths, which may not have been reported."

In the Nowshera area, scores of men, women and children sat on roofs in hopes of air or boat rescues. Many had little more than the clothes on their backs.

"There are very bad conditions," said Amjad Ali, a rescue worker in the area. "They have no water, no food."

A doctor treating evacuees at a small relief camp in Nowshera said some had diarrhea and others had marks appearing on their skin, causing itching. Children and the elderly seemed to have the most problems, Mehmood Jaa said.

"Due to the floodwater,

they now have pain in their bodies and they are suffering from fever and cough," Jaa told The Associated Press.

In the town Charsadda, Nabi Gul, who estimated he was around 70, looked at a pile of rubble where his house once stood.

"I built this house with my life's earnings and hard work, and the river has washed it away," he said in a trembling voice. "Now I wonder, will I be able to rebuild it? And in this time, when there are such great price hikes?"

Another resident of Charsadda complained of what he considered a lackluster government response.

"Nobody has offered us for help. We have got no help," said Awal Sher, 60. "Everything is destroyed. Inside, outside — everything is broken."

In eastern Afghanistan, Edrak said floods destroyed about 800 homes and hundreds of acres (hectares) of farm land, damaged hydropower dams and partially destroyed more than 500 other houses. Most of the flooding was in eight provinces, including Kabul, he said.

Rescuers were using army

helicopters, heavy trucks and boats to try to reach flood-hit areas. Thousands of homes and roads were destroyed, and at least 45 bridges across the northwest were damaged, the U.N. said.

# 'Black box' found in plane crash wreckage

ISLAMABAD (AP) — Recovery workers found the "black box" flight data recorder Saturday in the wreckage of Pakistan's worst-ever plane crash, and it appeared to be in good condition, officials said.

An analysis of the data on the recorder could provide clues as to why the Airblue flight crashed Wednesday

into the hills overlooking the Pakistani capital, Islamabad, killing all 152 people onboard, including two Americans. The recorder's decoding may take weeks, however.

The black box was found during a difficult recovery effort hampered by rain, mud and a lack of proper roads in the heavily forested Margalla Hills.



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Pakistan endures heavy rains each year but rarely with the fury that of this past week. The death toll has surged past 800 as the waters began to recede Saturday.



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Palestinians security forces loyal to president Mahmoud Abbas demonstrate their skills during a graduation ceremony Saturday in the West Bank city of Jericho.

## Senior PLO official says Obama sent warning to Abbas

By Karin Laub  
Associated Press writer

RAMALLAH, West Bank — President Obama warned Mahmoud Abbas in a letter that U.S.-Palestinian relations might suffer if the Palestinian leader refuses to resume direct peace talks with Israel, a senior PLO official said Saturday.

The White House had no comment Saturday. However, the Obama administration has been pushing Abbas hard in recent days to move quickly to face-to-face negotiations.

The PLO official said Obama sent the letter — the strongest U.S. warning to Abbas yet — on July 16.

Abbas insists he will only negotiate once Israel commits to the idea of a Palestinian state in the West Bank, Gaza and east Jerusalem, with minor modifications. He also wants Israel to freeze all settlement construction in those areas.

Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu refuses to be pinned down ahead of talks and has put in place only a 10-month freeze in housing starts in the West Bank that is due to expire in September.

Earlier this week, senior Palestine Liberation Organization members were

briefed on the latest attempts to restart talks. During the meeting, an Abbas aide summarized the main points of Obama's letter, said the PLO official, who spoke on condition of anonymity because the letter has not been made public.

"In this letter, Obama asked Abu Mazen (Abbas) to go to direct negotiations and (wrote) that he can't help the Palestinians unless they go to direct negotiations," the official said. "Obama said he expects Abu Mazen to agree to this demand, and that not accepting it would affect the relations between the Palestinians and the Americans."

Chief Palestinian negotiator Saeb Erekat insisted the letter did not refer to Palestinian-U.S. ties. Erekat said Obama wrote that he remains committed to establishing a Palestinian state, but that his ability to help will be limited if Abbas does not resume negotiations.

Negotiations between Abbas and Netanyahu's predecessor broke off in December 2008.

Palestinians are wary of resuming talks with the hardline Netanyahu without reaching agreement first on an agenda, a timetable and a framework.

# 3 die in building collapse in Italy

## 10-year-old survivor pulled from rubble

ROME (AP) — An apartment building collapsed overnight and killed three people in their sleep in a town in southern Italy, police said Saturday.

A 10-year-old girl survived and was able to talk to firefighters from under the rubble before she was pulled out alive after several hours, Naples deputy police chief Peolo Iodice said. State-run RAI showed footage of people applauding as she was rescued and carried away on a stretcher.

It was not immediately clear why the building fell sometime after 1 a.m. in



AP photo

Italian firefighters and rescuers work at the site of an apartment building collapse Saturday in Afragola, near Naples, southern Italy.

Afragola, a small town near Naples, police said.

Among those killed were the girl's grandmother and

a married couple, Iodice said. ANSA news agency said the couple were found in their bed, their bodies

hugging. Authorities were still trying to determine if more people were missing.

## Jamaica police detained in killing caught on tape

KINGSTON, Jamaica (AP) — Jamaican police detained three of their own on Saturday after a video surfaced allegedly showing them beating and shooting a suspect to death.

Police initially reported that the man stabbed a woman to death and then attacked the officers. They were said to have acted in self-defense.

That story changed after the amateur footage, recorded by an unknown eyewitness, was broadcast on several television channels the following night.

Police Chief Owen Ellington said Saturday the man was apparently unarmed and subdued when he was killed.

Ellington praised whoever came forward with the video and said the department deeply regrets the incident.

Jamaica has one of the highest rates of police killings in the Western Hemisphere, according to Amnesty International. It also has one of the world's

highest murder rates.

Thursday's killing took place in the town of Buckfield, about 20 miles from the resort city of Ocho Rios.

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AP photo

Journalists take photos of police officers detaining an opposition activist, left, during a banned anti-Kremlin protest Saturday in Moscow.

## Police nab Kremlin opponent at rally

By **Kristina Narizhnaya**  
Associated Press writer

MOSCOW — Russian police arrested a leading Kremlin opponent and dozens of fellow activists Saturday at a demonstration demanding freedom of assembly.

Several hundred protesters gathered in a Moscow square chanting "Freedom! Freedom!" at the rally city authorities tried to ban.

An Associated Press reporter saw Kremlin critic Boris Nemtsov dragged to a police car and driven away. The rally had barely started. Three or four others appeared to have been detained.

Police spokesman Viktor Biryukov said he wasn't sure how many people had been detained in total, but human rights advocate Lev Ponomarev said there were as many as 30 arrests.

"Authorities are just not listening to our demands," Ponomarev told AP.

Police encircled the remaining protesters, who defiantly held aloft signs reading "31" to symbolize their movement, Strategy 31. The name refers to a plan by Kremlin opponents to hold such rallies on the last day of each month with 31 days — a nod to the Constitution's Article 31 guaranteeing the right to peaceful assembly.

Moscow authorities rarely give permission for the rallies, often saying another group had requested the same site for a different event. On Saturday, there was an automobile show on the square.

Meanwhile in Kiev, about 30 Ukrainian activists held a simultaneous rally at the capital's main railway station

## Canadian warplanes intercept 2 Russian bombers

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OTTAWA, Canada — Canadian warplanes intercepted two long-range Russian bombers that tried to intrude into Canadian airspace, the defense ministry confirmed on Saturday.

The Tupolev-95 planes made several attempts to breach Canadian airspace on Friday but were repelled by CF-18 jets, the ministry said.

Russian sources quoted in the Canadian media said the bombers were on a regular training flight and did not infringe Canada's airspace.

The incident occurred about 310 miles north of Goose Bay in the east of Labrador, where the Canadian air force has a large base. Labrador is on the Atlantic Ocean side of Canada.

The Tupolev-95 bombers have a range of more than 8,700 miles and are capable of carrying nuclear warheads.

The bombers have breached the airspace of Britain, Iceland, Japan, Canada and other countries in recent years.

# Russia sends army to fight fires

MASLOVKA, Russia (AP) — Russia sent the army on Saturday to battle wildfires that have killed at least 28 people and were threatening dozens of towns and villages. Thick smoke and ash slowed firefighting efforts and thousands of people were being evacuated.

Half of the 300 homes in the village of Maslovka, half a day's drive south of Moscow, were reduced to cinders. Stunned locals sifted through the ash for possessions to salvage and people pooled what little food they had — mainly potatoes and carrots — to ensure no one starved.

"This is a catastrophe," Maslovka resident Yevgeniya Yuzhina said as she waited in a hotel lobby in the nearby city of Voronezh

filling out a form to receive cash compensation.

All 300 of the army's fire trucks have been dispatched, Defense Minister Anatoly Serdyukov said,

Many regions of the country are suffering through their hottest summer since record-keeping began 130 years ago. Officials said Friday over 214,136 acres (87,000 hectares) of parched woodland and peat bog were burning in at least 14 of the country's 83 regions, mainly in western Russia. State television reported Saturday that the death had risen from the last reported figure of 25, without providing details.

"Fire and wind have no days off, so we can't take any days off," Prime Minister Vladimir Putin

said in a videoconference with emergency officials, where he announced 3 million rubles (\$100,000) would be allocated for each of the 1,200 homes destroyed so far. He pledged that all would eventually be rebuilt.

Yuzhina said her house had been worth half a million

rubles more than the amount Putin pledged and her husband, daughter and elderly parents now had no place to go.

"We're placing all our hopes on Putin," Ivan Kosinov, an unemployed 46-year-old, said as he waited in line.

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**Angelina Jolie is *Salt*** (13)

Daily 7:00 9:20 Sat - Sun 4:40 7:00 9:20

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**Cats & Dogs: Revenge of Kitty Galore** (PG)

In Digital 3D Picture & Sound 12:15 2:30 4:45 7:00 9:15  
3D Prices Adults \$10.00 Seniors \$8.00 Kids \$7.00 Before 5:15 Adults \$8.00 Kids \$7.00

In 2D Picture & Digital Sound 12:45 3:00 5:15 7:30 9:45

**Despicable Me** (PG) 12:15 2:30 4:45 7:00 9:15

**Grown Ups** (13) 12:45 4:15 7:15 9:55

**Knight and Day** (13) Nightly 7:15 9:45

Fri - Sun 1:15 4:15 7:15 9:45

**Twilight: Eclipse** (13) 12:30 4:15 7:15 9:55

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Friday - Monday 12:00 2:00 3:15 5:45 7:45 9:00

Monday to Thursday 12:00 3:15 5:45 7:45 9:00

**Ramona & Beezus** (G) 12:45 3:00 5:15 7:30 9:45

**Charlie St. Cloud** (13) 12:15 2:30 4:45 7:00 9:15

**Dinner For Schmucks** (13) 1:00 4:00 7:00 9:30

**Toy Story 3** (G) 12:45 3:00 5:15 7:30 9:45

**Summer Matinee #9 Aug 2 to 5 Mon to Thurs**

**Shorts** or **Where Wild Things are** (PG) 10:30 12:45 3:00

All Seats \$2.00 without Summer Matinee Ticket

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**Killers** (13) Daily 7:30 9:45

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**Karate Kid** (PG) Daily 7:00 9:30

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**The A-Team** (13) Daily 7:00 9:30

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**Sorcerer's Apprentice** (PG) Daily 7:00 9:15

Fri - Sun 12:15 2:30 4:45 7:00 9:15

**The Last Airbender** (PG) Daily 7:30 9:45

Fri - Sun 12:45 3:00 5:15 7:30 9:45

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**Sorcerer's Apprentice** (PG)

Daily 7:30 9:45 Sat - Sun 12:45 3:00 5:15 7:30 9:45

**Cats & Dogs: Revenge of Kitty Galore** (PG)

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**SALT** (13) Daily 7:00 9:20

Sat - Sun 12:00 2:20 4:40 7:00 9:20

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## Cowboys fall short against Gems for AA title

Twin Falls finishes as state runner-up for 2nd straight year

Times-News

Just short. Once again. The Twin Falls Cowboys fell 8-7 to the Boise Gems Saturday night at Timberline High School in Boise, dropping the championship game of the American Legion Baseball Class AA State Tournament.



It's the second consecutive runner-up finish for the Cowboys, who were second to Lewis-Clark last year. Twin Falls beat the Boise Capitals 8-6 in 10 innings Saturday afternoon to earn a spot opposite the Gems in the title game.

A win by Twin Falls Saturday would have meant a second title game today, but the Cowboys came up just short. Trailing 6-1 in the fourth, the Cowboys once again showed grit with the type of rally for which they've become known.

Zeb Sneed's two-out, two-run double got Twin Falls within 6-3 in the fifth and when shortstop Michael Williams scored in the top of the seventh, it was 6-6.

But the Gems answered to go ahead 8-6.

Sneed hit a solo home run to lead off the top of the ninth and the Cowboys had runners on with a chance before the Gems recorded the final out.

The Gems, who sent the Cowboys into the elimination bracket with a win on Thursday night, advance to the Northwest Regional Tournament, held Thursday through Monday, Aug. 9 in Spokane, Wash.

Ryan Johnson got the Gems on the board with a solo homer in the second inning. A three-run fourth pushed Boise's edge to 6-1 before the Cowboys began clawing their way back.

The loss ends the American Legion careers of Twin Falls players Sneed, Braden Box and Michael Williams, who all played college baseball this past season.



# This Spud's for you

## Christenson repeats as Spudman Triathlon champion

By Ryan Howe • Times-News writer

BURLEY — It took him 13 years to win his first Spudman. Now he has two.

With a giant grin on his face, B.J. Christenson celebrated down the final straightaway, high-fiving spectators along the way, as he claimed his second consecutive victory at the 24th Annual Burley Lions Club Spudman Triathlon Saturday at Burley Golf Course.

Christenson's time of 1 hour, 47 minutes, 10 seconds was more than three minutes better than his winning time a year ago (1:50:35).

An elite triathlete formerly of Heyburn and now a North Salt Lake resident, Christenson finally got the monkey off his back in 2009 by winning his hometown race.

Christenson, 32, is happy with this year's win. But, like remembering a first kiss, last year's victory will always hold a special place in his heart.

"The first one was a long time coming," he said. "Finally things came together for me."

Despite having won it last year, Christenson said he felt more anxious going into Saturday's race, in which more than 2,000 competi-



Former Heyburn resident B.J. Christenson, left, was the first man across the finish line at the 2010 Spudman Triathlon Saturday in Burley, while Katie Lott of Logan, Utah, right, was the first woman to finish. Above, Spuds are awarded to the top placers at the Spudman Triathlon.



Photos by RYAN HOWE/Times-News

tors sweated through a 1-mile swim, 24-mile bike ride and 6-mile run.

"There's a different pressure to try to repeat," he said. "This year I felt a little more nervous. I didn't have the training coming into it. I wanted to defend, I wanted to come in first again. So I felt a little

bit of pressure to maintain that status."

Christenson, whose strength is running, fell behind 2008 Spudman champ Heath Thurston (Orem, Utah) after the swim and bike.

"I was focused on trying to limit my losses on the swim and bike,"

Christenson said. "I was trying to keep (Thurston) in my sights as long as possible. Eventually he disappeared."

In third place heading into the run, Christenson caught Karl Wild (Alpine, Utah) out of the transition,

See **SPUDMAN**, Sports 2

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— B.J. Christenson, on winning his second consecutive Spudman Triathlon title

### MORE ONLINE

Complete Spudman Triathlon results  
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## Burley out, Bonneville in title game at Class A state tourney

By Ryan Howe  
Times-News writer

BURLEY — Fonzie Sanchez had a no-hitter going, Burley had the lead and everything was looking good for the Green Sox.

That is, until the sixth inning.

Nampa broke up the Sanchez no-no and then loaded the bases with no outs, which led to three runs in the sixth. The Braves went on to win 5-2, eliminating host Burley from the American Legion Baseball Class A State Tournament.

Sanchez, who had his changeup working, struck out four and allowed just one base runner — he walked the game's leadoff — through the first five innings. But Burley supplied little run support, despite several

chances to cushion its lead.

Burley loaded the bases in the first inning, but came away with just one run: a Sanchez double scored Jackson Kunz.

In the fourth, the Green Sox had two runners on with no outs, but failure to execute on the base paths snuffed out their opportunity.

"You have to come through in those situations, especially in the state tournament," said Burley catcher Kody Moon. "What can you do about it? We had opportunities throughout the game, we just didn't capitalize. You have to come up with the big plays. You have to have the diving catches, you have to have the good line drives, you have to get hits with runners on base."

By the sixth inning Nampa



RYAN HOWE/Times-News

Burley first baseman Jake Mills tags out Nampa runner Daniel Myers during the American Legion Baseball Class A state tournament Saturday in Burley.

was poised for a rally, and Burley held a precarious 1-0 lead.

"It's always nice to pitch with a run cushion," Sanchez said. "Coach Kunz kept

stressing during the game that we need runs, one isn't enough. But we didn't get them."

All of Nampa's five runs and seven hits came in the final two innings. Zachary Treinen got the rally going for the Braves with a leadoff single. Daniel Myers, Toby Anderson and Nathan Forseth each recorded an RBI in the sixth.

The Braves tacked on two insurance runs in the seventh with RBI singles by Anderson and Jeffrey Lupton.

Jackson Kunz and Moon were each 2-for-4 and Jake Mills drove in a run for Burley.

It was the final game in a Burley uniform for Sanchez and Christian Winmill.

"Winmill and Fonzie, it's hard to lose those two.

They're both good kids," said Burley coach Devin Kunz. "That's the toughest thing right now, not just losing the game, but we're not going to have those two in our program anymore."

Said Sanchez: "This has been a good senior year. This program has made a complete 180. It makes me feel really good inside. I hope the younger guys see how things should be done and just take over."

The Green Sox finished their season 27-19.

"It's just part of the process. Last games are always tough, but we're getting better. It's not fun right now. The kids have worked hard and there aren't a lot of happy faces in there right now."

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YOUTH SOFTBALL



Courtesy photo

**Riot wins Babe Ruth regionals**

The Twin Falls Riot softball team won the Babe Ruth 14U Regional Tournament held July 21-24 in Meridian. The Riot rallied past 2009 region champion North Olympic (Wash.) 9-7. The Riot trailed 7-2 in the bottom of the seventh, but won on Makenzie Swafford's two-run smash to centerfield. Pictured, from left, front row: Morgan Stanger, Morgan Harshbarger, Courtney Ellis, Kelly Jund, Brynli Bartlett, Cortney Nolan and Bailey Phillips; back row: Coach Ron Hinojos, Megan Hinojos, Avery Gaines, Makenzie Swafford, Megan Lounsbury, Bethany Meyers, Jera Johnson, manager Sherri Ellis and coach Leslie Phillips. Not pictured: Kennedy Traveller.



Courtesy photo

**Terror claim Northwest Regional title**

The Twin Falls Terror beat the Lewis County Blaze twice to win the Northwest Regional 12U Fastpitch softball championship held July 16-18 in Hillsboro, Ore. The Terror claimed top honors in a 13-team field. Pictured, from left, front row: Maryssa Gonzales, Dani Shotswell and Regan Harr; second row: Jordan Henley, Taylor Johnson, Ashlyn Aardema and Skylar Call; third row: Kayler Detmer, Madi Ford and Kacie Kubosumi; back row: Coaches Steve Call, Ken Johnson, Buck Taylor and Mike Aardema.



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**Crush second at SpartanFest**

The Cassia Crush softball team took second place at the Spartan Fest Tournament July 23-24 at Minico High School. The Crush made an eight-game run to the championship round before falling short. Pictured from left, front row: Brinlee Breshears, Chancey Knopp and Jessica Duke; back row: Katie Arritt, Sarah Nunnelee, Melissa Carson, Daliss Pickup, Stormie, Kidd, Shaniece Thompson, Jennifer Bott, Kylee Matthews and coach Kari Osterhout.



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**Ice 14U take third in Idaho Falls**

The Southern Idaho Ice 14U softball team claimed third place at the Snake River Summer Smash Tournament in Idaho Falls. The Ice fell just short of advancing to the championship round, losing 8-6 to eventual champion Nampa Panthers. The Ice finishes the season Aug. 2-8 with the 14B Western National Tournament in Sacramento, Calif. Pictured, from left, front row: Anna Williams and Jensen Upton; second row: Haley Ackerman, Makenzie Watts, Kourtney Keller, Paige Jackman and Tenli Bright; back row: Katelynn Baumert, Savannah Fleming, Kirstin Wert, Anna Pridey, Hailey Gentry and Brytnie Johnson. The team is coached by Nick Baumert, Curt Fleming, Phil Wert and Stan Watts.

GOLF



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**Gikiu celebrates 90th on golf course**

Roy Gikiu, center front, recently celebrated his 90th birthday with a round of golf at Twin Falls Golf Club. Gikiu, a World War II veteran, still plays golf five days a week when the course is in open. He has had five holes-in-one and shot an 89 during his birthday round.

**Undhjem, Federico win Rally for the Cure tourney**

Virginia Undhjem and Sara Federico shot fourth with 86s. On the net side, Billie Mason and Margarite Astorquia each shot a 61 to share first place. Collene Thiel finished third with a 63, while NaJean Dutry was 4th with a 65.

**Your Scores**

**BOWLING**

**BOWLADROME, TWIN FALLS TUESDAY NO TAP**

**MEN'S SERIES:** Joshua Groves 777, Ed Dutry 750, Blaine Ross 693, Con Moser 687.

**MEN'S GAMES:** Maury Miller 280, Joshua Groves 276, Ed Dutry 264, Gene Schulte 253.

**LADIES SERIES:** Jeane Miller 622, Bonnie Draper 580, Charlene Anderson 580, Bernie Smith 575.

**LADIES GAMES:** Bonnie Draper 254, Charlene Anderson 233, Shirley Griffiths 232, Linda Vining 229.

**THURSDAY A.M.**

**MEN'S SERIES:** Tom Smith 663, Myron Schroeder 608, Dave Wilson 602, Eddie Chappell 593.

**MEN'S GAMES:** Ed Dutry 232, Myron Schroeder 228, Tom Smith 225, Dave Wilson 224.

**LADIES SERIES:** Bonnie Draper

550, Edith Sutherland 512, Kimmie Lee 481, Bernie Smith 477.

**LADIES GAMES:** Edith Sutherland 193, Kimmie Lee 190, Bonnie Draper 188, Margie Howard 173.

**THURSDAY NO TAP**

**MEN'S SERIES:** Tom Smith 7128, Jim DeVries 715, Ian DeVries 672, Dennis Seckel 635.

**MEN'S GAMES:** Jim DeVries 166, Dennis Seckel 254, Tom Smith 254, Jerry Seabolt 246.

**LADIES SERIES:** Cindy Jo Garrett 631, Bernie Smith 506.

**LADIES GAMES:** Cindy Jo Garrett 223, Bernie Smith 183.

**SNAKE RIVER BOWL, BURLEY SUMMER SIZZLERS**

**SERIES:** Mae Thompson 625, Aalice Ferrin 591, Kathryn Stanger 525.

**GAMES:** Mae Thompson 259, Alice Ferrin 223, Kathryn Stanger 214.

**SUMMER PARTY**

**SERIES:** Jordan Parish 691, Bob Bywater 647, Justin Studer 620.

**GAMES:** Jordan Parish 265, Justin Studer 248, Bob Bywater 228.

**SUGAR**

**MEN'S SERIES:** Tyson Cook 510, Kirk Burges 470, Aaron Swanson 436.

**MEN'S GAMES:** Tyson Cook 181, Kirk Burgess 175, Nick James 165.

**UNKNOWN**

**SERIES:** Bridget Albertson 637, Kiara Hieb 592, Cheyenne Blauer 560.

**GAMES:** Bridget Albertson 257, Kirstie Johnston 225, Kiara Hieb 218.

**ANOTHER UNKNOWN**

**SERIES:** Kerry Zemke 337, Kelly Davis 306, Shawna 259.

**GAMES:** Kelly Davis 136, Kerry Zemke 133, Shawna 112.



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**Ice 10U fourth at regionals**

The Southern Idaho Ice 10U ASA softball team took fourth at the ASA 10U A/B Western Regional Tournament in Beaverton, Ore., the best placing among Idaho teams. That finish came a week after the Ice finished third at the Idaho State Championships, losing to eventual champion Northwest Wildfire of Coeur d'Alene. Pictured, from left, front row: Bailey Henley, Caitlin Crist, Josie Byce, Chloe Gianchetta, Ashlie Watts and Julian Wert; back row: Kylie Baumert, Maddie Aardema, Roz Triplett and Kassidy Lukesh. The Ice is coached by Nick Baumert, Stan Watts and Phil Wert, and will move to 12U next season. Anyone interested in competing for the Ice may call 308-4028.



Courtesy photo

**Swat claim Filer Recreation title**

The Filer (NBT) Swat claimed the Magic Valley 12U softball championship on July 11, going undefeated on their way to the title. Pictured, from left, front row: Caitlyn Colver, Jayden Stoddard, Raleigh Bell, Nellie Kramer and Dani Shotswell; back row: Coach Chrissy Waitley, Kendalee Bailey, Kassidie Brooks, Kaylor Detmer, Brooke Mason, coach Buck Taylor and Idanna Cobb. Magic Valley 12U softball championship.

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Tonight: Clearing skies. Low 52.

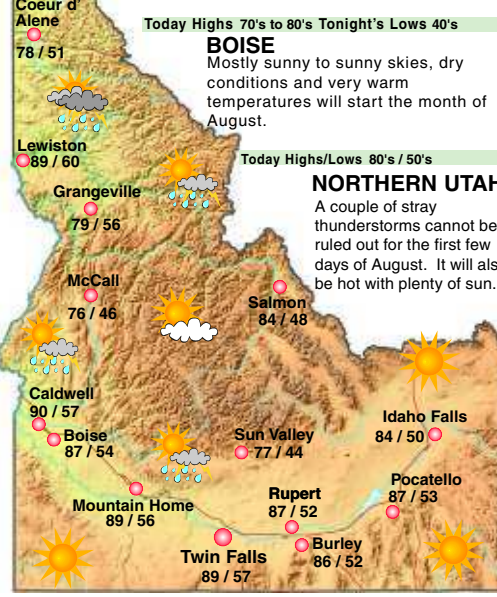
Tomorrow: Early August sunshine. High 87.

ALMANAC - BURLEY

Table with 2 columns: Temperature and Precipitation. Includes Yesterday's High/Low, Normal High/Low, Record High/Low, and Avg. Month/Year to Date.

IDAHO'S FORECAST

SUN VALLEY, SURROUNDING MTS. The mountains and surrounding may see a thunderstorm or two on Sunday. Significant moisture is not expected. Monday looks dry.



TWIN FALLS FIVE-DAY FORECAST

Table with 6 columns: Today, Tonight, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday. Includes weather icons and temperature forecasts.

Yesterday's Weather

Table with 3 columns: City, Hi, Lo, Precip. Lists weather for various Idaho cities.

ALMANAC - TWIN FALLS

Table with 4 columns: Temperature, Precipitation, Humidity, Barometric Pressure. Includes Yesterday's High/Low, Normal High/Low, Record High/Low, and Avg. Month/Year to Date.

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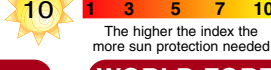
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TODAY'S U.V. INDEX



REGIONAL FORECAST

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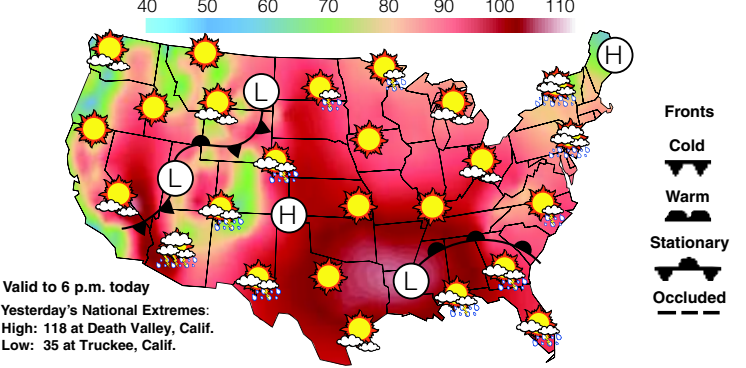
NATIONAL FORECAST

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WORLD FORECAST

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TODAY'S NATIONAL MAP



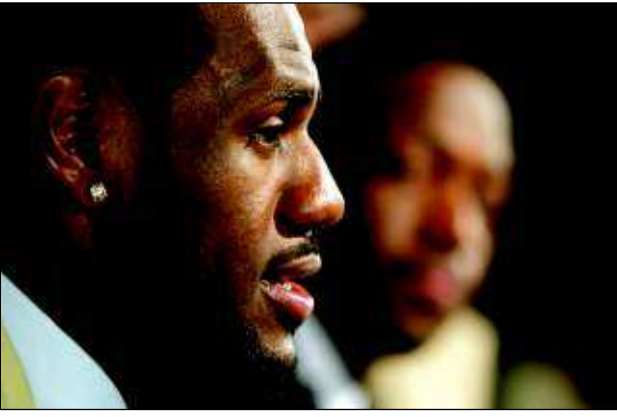
Gregg Middlekauff's Quote of the Day: "Don't concern yourself too much with how you are going to achieve your goal - leave that completely to a power greater than yourself. All you have to do is know where you're going. The answers will come to you of their own accord, and at the right time."

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Some humiliation not always a bad thing for LeBron

LeBron James has left Las Vegas, though tales still exist on the Internet of the good times he had in Sin City. Turns out what happens in Vegas doesn't always stay there. It's been a tough summer for the King, or at least the King's reputation. Called out by his former boss, called every name in the book by Cleveland fans, he was finally called not ready for prime-time TV by anyone who tuned in for The Decision. That's the price you pay for being a superstar without portfolio. MVP awards look good in the trophy room, but until James wins a ring he will always face questions about his heart and desire. Besides, he's getting off easy. Playing in Cleveland may have been bad, but there are worse alternatives for an athlete. Try being a member of North Korea's World Cup team. Like James, they lost the big games when it mattered most. Unlike James, they didn't get rewarded for it with some fancy new digs and a vacation on the Vegas Strip.

Tim Dahlberg. According to various news reports, the entire soccer team was marched onto a stage in North Korea and berated for hours by the country's sports minister as several hundred government officials and others watched. The team - which lost all three of its games in South Africa - was taken to task for, among other things, failing to win the World Cup. Then they were forced to do what usually comes natural to most players - blame the coach. That reportedly got Kim Jong Hun expelled from the Workers' Party of Korea and a new job working in construction. A bit harsh, perhaps. But losing 7-0 to Portugal probably wasn't what Dear Leader had in mind when he sent his team off with instructions to come back with a world championship. A little public humiliation can sometimes work won-



LeBron James, left, and Dwyane Wade, center, talk about the new Miami Heat team that they will be part of during a recent press conference in Miami.

21-year-old was not only sentenced to up to three months in jail, but got a tongue lashing from a judge who blamed him for ruining the reputation of an entire city. The official charges against Clemmens were assault, harassment and disorderly conduct. We know him, though, as the guy who was having such a fun time at a Phillies game this year that he decided to cap his night by intentionally puking on a man and his 11-year-old daughter. Clemmens sobbed in court as he apologized for the incident that so traumatized the girl that she refuses to go back to Citizens Bank Park. But the judge wasn't buying it, and added some community service time he wisely suggested be served cleaning toilets at the ballpark. And then there are those who take what could be a moment of humiliation and rise above it. Katherine Connors did just that at a Washington Nationals game, where she threw the ceremonial first pitch Friday night to Miguel Batista. Batista is a 39-year-old journeyman pitcher who a

few days earlier was booed by most of the 40,000 fans in attendance when he was called upon at the last minute to start a game in place of injured star Stephen Strasburg. "Imagine," Batista said after the game, "if you go there to see Miss Universe, and you end up having Miss Iowa - you might get those kind of boos." Connors was sitting in a beauty salon in Marion, Iowa, when her cell phone started buzzing. She is, as you might have guessed, Miss Iowa. And, luckily enough, Miss Iowa has a sense of humor. Wearing her Miss Iowa sash over a red Nationals jersey, Connors accepted a bouquet of flowers from Batista before the game, and then fired a pitch high and outside to the pitcher. It was all in good fun. Well, kind of. "A lot of people are mad about it because somebody's talking smack about Iowa," Connors said. "You do not talk smack to an Iowan." Tim Dahlberg is a national sports columnist for The Associated Press. Write to him at tdahlberg@ap.org

Blackhawks goalie Niemi gets \$2.75 million in arbitration

CHICAGO (AP) - Goalie Antti Niemi has been awarded a \$2.75 million salary for next season, an arbitrator's decision that could force the Stanley Cup champion Blackhawks to make another tough decision about their roster. Niemi earned \$826,875 last season as a rookie. He played all but one period of Chicago's postseason run to the title, going 16-6 with a 2.63 goals-against average, .910 save percentage and two shutouts. To remain under the NHL's \$59.4 million salary cap, the Blackhawks may have offered as little as \$2 million to Niemi, who has played in just 42 regular-season games in his career. The NHL Players Association confirmed the arbitrator's ruling on Saturday. During a conference call Thursday, Blackhawks general manager Stan Bowman said the team is close to the cap and what Niemi was awarded would determine what the franchise's next move would be. Chicago has two days to decide whether to accept or walk away from the arbitrator's decision. The team also could decide to trade Niemi. Niemi, 26, filed for arbitration as a restricted free agent after his agent, Bill Zito, and

Blackhawks general manager Stan Bowman were unable to agree on contract terms. Since winning their first Stanley Cup in 49 years, the Blackhawks have shed a handful of players from their roster, either via trade or free agency, to remain under the cap next season. Their situation is complicated by some \$4 million in player performance bonuses earned last season that will be charged against their 2010-11 cap limit.

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CLASSIFIEDS: (208) 733-0931, EXT. 2 AND AT [MAGICVALLEY.COM/HOTJOBS](http://MAGICVALLEY.COM/HOTJOBS)

### MEDICAL

**Family Health Services** Twin Falls Clinic has an opening for a **Medical Receptionist**. This is a full-time temporary position, Monday through Friday from now through January 2011. This position is responsible for providing basic office support answering phones and directing calls, scheduling appointments, greeting and assisting patients in person and on the phone. Performs basic office clerical work. Maintains patient records. Prior medical office experience preferred. Bi-lingual English/Spanish preferred.

Applicants may apply online at [www.fhsid.org](http://www.fhsid.org) or send a cover letter and resume to:



**Family Health Services**  
HR Department  
794 Eastland Drive  
Twin Falls, ID 83301  
EOE/DFW Workplace

### EMPLOYMENT

#### 200 Work Wanted

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#### 201 Accounting

**ACCOUNTING**  
Local accounting firm looking for a full-time **Bookkeeper**, Quickbooks and payroll reporting experience required. Tax prep experience preferred, but not required. Salary commensurate with experience; benefits available.

Send resume to: 97420  
C/O Times News  
P.O. Box 548,  
Twin Falls, ID 83303

**ACCOUNTING**  
Twin Falls accounting firm needs **Accountant/CPA** with 2-5 years experience. Must be strong in tax preparation and Quickbooks. Salary dependent on experience. Benefits available.

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We offer a great benefits program including medical, dental and vision plans, flexible spending accounts, vacation and sick pay, life insurance and retirement account. Competitive compensation includes a base wage plus commissions.

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Glanbia Foods, Inc., is currently seeking a **Facility Safety Manager**.

This position will perform the following functions:

- Implement and sustain effective and meaningful safety programs.
- Conduct employee required safety training.
- Provide direction to ensure compliance with regulatory standards and internal safety requirements.
- Maintain injury investigations and verify OSHA logs are current.
- Attend employee initial and subsequent medical appointments at the hospital or other health care facility when they are injured.
- Interact with employees on production line to ensure safety.
- Conduct and be involved in plant safety audits and inspections.

Requirements include:  
Requires a Bachelor's degree and a minimum of three years related experience.

Glanbia Foods offers an excellent benefit and compensation program that includes medical, dental, disability, 401(k), vacation & personal days, and career advancement opportunities.

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  - Emergency Department
  - Operating Room
  - Inpatient Rehab Unit
- Regulatory Manager-** Clinical background with current license or certification based on discipline (RN, RT, PT, etc.) Bachelor's Degree preferred.
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- Clinical Laboratory Team Leader-** Bachelor's degree in a related field. Medical Technologist certification required MT(ASCP), CLS(NCA), or equivalent. Previous management experience preferred.
- Home Health and Hospice Physical Therapist-** Full time, days. Current Idaho license required.
- Major and Planned Gifts Coordinator-** Bachelor's degree and/or commensurate experience with accreditation in charitable estate planning. Minimum five years of experience in planned giving management and administration or equivalent.
- Audiologist-** Graduation from a Master's Program in Audio logy, passing results on the certification examination administration and licensure by an organization recognized by the Bureau of Occupational Licenses

#### Clinical Office Position -

CMA, LPN or RN required with previous clinical office experience preferred.

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### St Luke's Magic Valley

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**207 Education**

EDUCATION  
Kimberly Elementary School is looking for a certified School Counselor. Applications available at [www.kimberly.edu](http://www.kimberly.edu) or call Cathy at 423-4170 x3308.

**EDUCATION**  
The Jerome School District is accepting applications for a **Child Nutrition Kitchen Manager** and a **Child Nutrition Warehouseman**.

**Kitchen Manager**  
Supervises and participates in the preparation and serving of food in the school cafeteria. Supervises the overall functions of the kitchen, provides for a cheerful, efficient and productive operation.

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Responsible for receiving all deliveries from various vendors. Maintains accurate inventory of all supplies on hand. Makes deliveries of all goods to schools in a timely manner. Previous experience in Child Nutrition or related services required. Apply online at [www.d261.k12.id.us](http://www.d261.k12.id.us).

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**209 General**

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**209 General**

GENERAL  
Immediate Openings  
**Burley Jobs 678-4040**  
Mechanic / Oper., Grain Oper. P.T Security, Cook, and Landscaping  
For details & to apply: [www.personnelinc.com](http://www.personnelinc.com)

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**Burley Office**  
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**P.T Security**  
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**GENERAL**  
Valley School District #262 is currently seeking applicants for the following position:

Full or Part-Time Cook Position  
Experience preferred but not required.  
Hours 6:30 A.M. to 1:30 P.M.  
  
Position will be filled as soon as possible. Please contact the district office at (208)528-5333 or 882 Valley Road South, Hazelton, between the hours of 8:30 A.M. to 3:00 P.M. before August 5, 2010 to apply. EOE

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Manages Library, Budget, Development, Supervises Staff Administration, Customer Service, Previous exp. req. Submit application, cover letter & resume to City of Jerome HR 152 E. Ave A Jerome, ID, 83338 208-324-8189 - Closes 8.8.2010 [www.ci.jerome.id.us](http://www.ci.jerome.id.us) hr@ci.jerome.id.us

**210 Management**

MANAGEMENT  
AmeriPride Services Inc.



AmeriPride is currently seeking an individual to join our team as Chief Engineer. The Chief Engineer must be able to manage a team of employees, responsible for the repair and maintenance and reporting of the stationary production equipment with the plant, as well as, preventative maintenance and repair of steam boiler and air conditioning units. He or she must also extensive P&L experience along with budgetary knowledge. He or she must possess leadership qualities, as well time management skills.

Qualifications:  
\*Must be able to understand verbal and written instructions  
\*High School Diploma or GED  
\*Detail-oriented  
\*3-5 years experience in industrial maintenance  
\*Certification (or ability to obtain) in Steam Boiler and Air Conditioning maintenance  
\*Advanced knowledge of Electrical, Maintenance and Plumbing  
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The Magic Valley Arts Council is seeking a part time Executive Director. We are looking for an enthusiastic, flexible, hands-on individual with the skills and flexibility to see our organization through the transition into the new Arts Center and beyond. Management experience is required (preferably in a nonprofit setting). Job description and application instructions at [www.magicvalleyartscouncil.org](http://www.magicvalleyartscouncil.org) or call 734-2787.

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## GENERAL

Glanbia Foods, Inc., is currently seeking a Milk Transportation Assistant.

This position will perform the following functions:

Responsible for entering milk manifests and ensure the accuracy of daily, weekly, bi-weekly, and monthly milk volume reports  
Assist in transportation payroll, procurement, and other accounting duties as needed  
Assist in data entry, reporting, and filing to meet DOT requirements  
Audit and analyze data from systems to ensure accuracy  
Participate in committees and meetings as assigned  
Perform daily office duties as necessary (i.e. filing, answer phones)  
Participate in proactive team efforts to achieve departmental and company goals  
Other duties as assigned

Requirements include:  
Requires an Associate's degree or equivalent from two-year college or technical school; or six months to one year related experience and/or training  
Proficient personal computer skills including electronic mail, record keeping, routine database activity, word processing, spreadsheet, graphics, etc.  
Ability to prioritize tasks and handle multiply projects simultaneously

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**JEROME** 2 bdrm, 2 bath single \$525  
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**TWIN FALLS** 7800 sqft shop w/1000 sqft office. \$2000 month, 2500 sqft office w/1000 sqft warehouse. \$1100 month. **539-7426**

**610 Storage/Warehouse**

**BURLEY** 1 1/2 miles W. 40X60 shop. 2-14x14 overhead doors. office, bath, heated, \$575 mo. **678-1658**

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**TWIN FALLS** Roommates wanted for 2010 CSI school year, fur nished units with W/D, internet, garage, no pets, drinking, smoking or drugs. 1 block from CSI. **208-338-7673 or 731-8214**

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**NOTICES**

**BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**  
**CASSIA COUNTY STATE OF IDAHO**

Notice of Hearing  
**IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION TO FORM: CASSIA CREEK IRRIGATION DISTRICT.**

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the undersigned will bring the Petition to Form Cassia Creek Irrigation District on for hearing before the Cassia County Board of Commissioners on Monday, the 23rd day of August, 2010, at 9 o'clock a.m., or as soon thereafter as petitioners can be heard. All information contained in the petition as well as a map of the proposed District boundaries is available for review at the office of the Cassia County Clerk during regular business hours.  
 DATED 26th of July, 2010.  
 By: Dee Yeaman  
 Cassia County Clerk

PUBLISH: August 1, 2010

**NOTICES**

**NOTICE**  
 The City of Jerome Public Works Department will be Sealing and Chipping the following street(s) on **Monday thru Friday, August 9<sup>th</sup> thru August 13, 2010.**  
 Please have all vehicles, trailers etc. removed from this street by **10:00 PM Sunday, August 8, 2010.** Vehicles, trailers etc not removed will be towed at owner's expense. We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause, but it is a necessity to maintain our streets. We thank you in advance for your help and patience.  
**Please see attached for list of roads being Chip Sealed in your area. Thank You**  
**AVISO**  
 La ciudad de Jerome van estar componiendo las calles: (multiple streets) el calle (single street) el **Lunes y martes, los dias 9<sup>th</sup> al 13<sup>th</sup> de agosto de 2010.**  
 Por favor mueven todos los carros y trailers de esta calle para el **dia 8 De Agosto, 2010, No mas Tarde De 10:00 PM, Domingo.** Lo sentimos por todo, pero tenemos que aserlo. Gracias por su paciencia. Vehiculos y trailers que no se mueven. Los vamos a quitar y van a cupar que multa paga una.  
 Walt Appel  
 Public Works Director  
 (Director de los trabajos publicos)

**2010 CHIP & SEAL AUGUST 9th THROUGH AUGUST 13th**

LOCATION - STREET	DATE
North Adams, from East Main to 1 <sup>st</sup> Ave	Monday 9 <sup>th</sup>
2 <sup>nd</sup> Ave E, from N Lincoln to Fillmore	Monday 9 <sup>th</sup>
3 <sup>rd</sup> Ave E, from N Lincoln to Fillmore	Monday 9 <sup>th</sup>
North Tiger Dr, from 3 <sup>rd</sup> Ave E to 21 <sup>st</sup> E	Monday 9 <sup>th</sup>
16 <sup>th</sup> Ave E, from N Lincoln to Tiger Dr	Monday 9 <sup>th</sup>
Tiger Hills Subdivision	Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup>
7 <sup>th</sup> Ave West, from N Lincoln to Fir	Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup>
4 <sup>th</sup> Ave West, from N Lincoln to Birch	Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup>
West Ave B, from S Lincoln to Cedar	Wed 11 <sup>th</sup>
West Ave C, from S Lincoln to Birch	Wed 11 <sup>th</sup>
West Ave D, from S Birch to West Blvd	Wed 11 <sup>th</sup>
West Ave C, from South Date to Fir	Wed 11 <sup>th</sup>
West Ave B, from South Date to Fir	Wed 11 <sup>th</sup>
South Alder, from West Main to West H	Thurs 12 <sup>th</sup>
East Ave A, from S Lincoln to Fillmore	Thurs 12 <sup>th</sup>
East Ave B, from S Lincoln to Davis	Thurs 12 <sup>th</sup>

(overflow day in the event of delays) Friday 13<sup>th</sup>  
 Schedule subject to change due to weather or other unforeseen reasons.

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**JUMBLE** THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME by Mike Argirin and Jeff Knurek

Unscramble these six Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form six ordinary words.

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Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

**PRINT YOUR ANSWER IN THE CIRCLES BELOW**  
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**Answers for this puzzle and Sunday Crossword on Classifieds 8**

**NOTICES**

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
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**PUBLIC MEETING NOTICE**  
 Pursuant to Idaho Code Section 67 2343, notice is hereby given of an open public meeting of the Idaho Fish and Game Commission.  
**DATE OF NOTICE:** July 29, 2010  
**DATE OF MEETING:** August 17-19, 2010  
 The Tri State meeting will convene at 1:00 pm MDT on August 17th.  
**PLACE OF MEETING:** Box Y Lodge  
 Alpine, Wyoming 83128  
**PERSONS ATTENDING:** Commissioners  
 Director  
 Deputy Director  
 Staff

**PURPOSE OF MEETING/AGENDA:** To exchange and share information on fish and wildlife issues facing Montana, Wyoming and Idaho. No action will be taken information only. Individuals with disabilities may request meeting accommodations by contacting the Director's office at the Idaho Department of Fish and Game directly at 208 334 5159 or through the Idaho Relay Service at 1 800 377 2529 (TDD).

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**NOTICE OF FUNDING AVAILABILITY & REQUEST FOR APPLICATIONS**  
 Notice is hereby given by the Idaho Housing and Finance Association (IHFA) of the availability of one (1) Million dollars of HOME Program Funds for the September 2010 Funding Round. The funds must be used for IHFA-eligible affordable housing activities in Idaho.  
 All applications must be received no later than 5:00 p.m. **September 3, 2010.** By mail or hand-delivery to: IHFA Grant Programs, P.O. Box 7899, Boise, ID. 83707-1899  
 Eligible applicants must be organized under the State of Idaho as a private, non-profit housing development organization, a private housing developer or a local unit of government. The HOME application is available at <http://www.ihfa.org/ihfa/grant-programs/home-program/multifamily.aspx>. The HOME program requirements are found at <http://www.ihfa.org/ihfa/grant-programs/home-program/2010-approved-home-administrative-plan.aspx>. For additional information contact the IHFA Grant Programs Department toll free at 1-877-4GRANTS (447-2687), or TDD (800) 545-1833 or jenik@ihfa.org

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**NOTICE OF HEARING ON BUDGET**  
**BURLEY HIGHWAY DISTRICT**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a budget hearing will be held at the regular meeting of the Burley Highway District on the 9th day of August, 2010, at 1:00 p.m., in Burley, Idaho, at the District Office, 402 East 10th Street, Burley, Idaho. A copy of the BURLEY HIGHWAY DISTRICT BUDGET for the 2010-2011 year may be inspected at the above-named office prior to the hearing.

The budget is:  
**ESTIMATED EXPENSES:**

Administration	55,000.00
Bridge Maintenance & Construction	250,000.00
Commissioner's Salaries	9,600.00
Equipment Purchases	250,000.00
Gas, Oil & Diesel	200,000.00
Howell Canyon Maintenance	63,000.00
Insurance	240,000.00
Road Maintenance & Construction	1,756,007.00
Supplies & Repairs	135,000.00
<b>TOTAL ESTIMATED EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$2,958,607.00</b>

**ESTIMATED REVENUE:**

Howell Canyon	80,594.00
Misc. Income	7,877.00
Property Tax Replacement	57,317.00
State Funds	1,343,244.00
Tax Roll Levy	1,469,575.00
<b>TOTAL ESTIMATED REVENUE</b>	<b>\$2,958,607.00</b>

A summary of the BUDGET will be available for inspection at the office of the BURLEY HIGHWAY DISTRICT at 402 East 10th Street, in the City of Burley, from 7:00 o'clock a.m. to 5:30 o'clock p.m., Monday through Thursday. At the hearing, the Board of Commissioners of the BURLEY HIGHWAY DISTRICT will explain the budget and hear any objections thereto.  
 DATED this 12th day of July, 2010.  
**BURLEY HIGHWAY DISTRICT**  
 By/s/Gaylen Smyer  
 Chairman, Board of Commissioners

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**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**101 Lost and Found**

**FOUND** Dachshund, male black & tan found on 726 around Mun-tyaugh Lake area. Contact Burky Animal Shelter 208-878-2258

**FOUND DOG** in Jerome County. Call to identify. 208-212-0011.

**FOUND DOG**, might be Russell Terrier, on Madrona & Heyburn. 4 yrs, white body w/black & brown spots. **208-358-2804**

**FOUND** roll of electrical wiring near Kimberly. **Call 420-6109 or 423-4569**

**LOST** Brown Australian Shepherd, 6 month old male w/docked tail, last seen in Jerome. **REWARD! Call with any info 316-1848.**

  
**LOST** Dog, 6 year old female, Jack Russell, red/tan head, mask & ears, & white. Floxy, no collar, lost by airport. **208-731-9117**

**LOST** Golden Retriever w/brown collar. Male, 1.5 yrs old. Lost 7/23 755 S60W Jerome. **Call 420-7802.**

**LOST** Golden Retriever, 8 yr old female named Sage, with red collar, short blonde hair, by Hankins & Falls roads, missing since 7/28/10. If found call **208-734-9393.**

**LOST** Shih Tzu, small 2 yr old female with green collar on Sunday July 25th near TF Gun Club. Answers to "Daisy". Please call 733-5634 or 404-6506 if you have any info. PLEASE!

**104 Personals**

**DEAR GOOD PEOPLE OF THE MAGIC VALLEY:**  
 My name is Curtis Kemp. I am disabled with 1 bad hip, & 2 bad knees. I recently had a house fire, & on my income, I was not able to afford home owner insurance. I am asking for charitable help to try & make the low bid of \$30,000 or less. I am also looking for help from someone who knows how to set up a Charity Benefit to help bring in contributions. Any motorcycle clubs that could put on a benefit ride. I would please ask you make to the contributions to (Curtis Kemp Fire Restoration Fund) Please make contributions to: **960 So Park Ave W., Twin Falls, ID 83301.** If you need to see the damage before you make a contribution please call me at **208-308-2808**. I will direct to my home for inspection.

**106 Special Notices**

**BIRTHDAY PHOTOS**  
 Have you forgotten to pickup your **birthday photos?** We have some photos we are sure you don't want us to toss. These can be **picked up** at The Times-News Classified Dept.

**107 Pregnancy Alternatives**

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**LOST & FOUND**

1. Pit Bull- Brindle- female- spiked collar -found at south park in Twin Falls
2. Boxer/Shepherd cross- Brindle and fluffy-female- found in Castleford Idaho
3. Dachshund- Black/tan-male- found at Murtaugh Reservoir
4. Border Collie/Lab cross black/white female puppy found at 572 Heyburn Ave. W
5. Corgi/Australian Shepherd cross- Black/Brown- 4 month old puppy- found on Park and Parkwood Dr.
6. Griffon/Setter cross- Tri colored- male-4 months old- found on Poleline Road and Washington
7. Labradors- Chocolate and Chocolate and White- 3 months old- citizen found 263 Southwood
8. Golden Retriever- Gold- female- found 4 miles south of Nat Soo Pah
9. Border Collie/ cross black/white adult female found at 536 Filer Ave. W
10. Heeler/Australian Shepherd cross white/black adult female found in Winco's Parking Lot
11. Lab cross yellow female puppy found at 4035 E 3800 N
12. Spaniel cross tan/black male puppy found at 4035 E 3800 N
13. Shepherd/cross-Smokey grey- male puppy- found 462 2nd Ave North
14. Chihuahua- Black/White-older spayed female- found at Smiths food store
15. Labrador- Black- 8-9-weeks old- found 711 4th Ave North
16. Shepherd/Akita cross- Black/Brindle- female- found on Edwards Street
17. Pointer cross- white and brown spots- male 180 Filer Avenue

**ADOPTIONS**

1. Shih-Tzu- White- male adult/has one eye-
2. Dachshund merle adult male
3. Chihuahua tan adult female pink collar
4. Chihuahua cross brown/white 3 year old spayed female
5. Chihuahua tan 2 year old spayed female
6. Border Collie/Lab cross black/white 2 month old spayed female
7. Lab/German Shepherd cross brindle 3 month old spayed female
8. Lab/Border Collie cross chocolate/white 3 month old neutered male
9. Lab/Border Collie cross black/white 3 month old neutered male
10. Puggle fawn/white 5 year old neutered male
11. Border Collie/Lab cross brown/black/white 1 1/2 year old spayed female
12. Border Collie/Lab cross black/white 4 month old spayed female
13. Border Collie/ cross black/white 1 year old spayed female
14. Heeler/German Shepherd cross red/black 5 month old spayed female
15. Border Collie cross black/white 6 month old spayed female
16. Beagle tri colored 5 year old neutered male
17. Beagle dark brown/tan/white 6 year old neutered male
18. Terrier cross black/white wirehaired 3 month old spayed female

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**DEAR ABBY:** We sent a check to our niece a month before her marriage as a wedding gift to her and her fiancée. The amount was generous, and we felt any young couple would be delighted to receive it. We also attended their out-of-state wedding.

Four months after we sent the check, it had neither been cashed nor had we received any acknowledgment that it had been received. I contacted my sister to verify that it hadn't been lost only to be told that my niece was "embarrassed by the large amount of the check and could not accept it!" Have you ever heard of such a thing? We think it is rude on multiple counts: First, evaluating the gift; second, rejecting the gift; and finally, not feeling obligated to even acknowledge it.



**DEAR ABBY**  
Jeanne Phillips

I'm boiling mad. My sister was the one who suggested "money" when we asked what the bride could use as a gift. We always felt that any gift — large or small, liked or not — should be graciously accepted and acknowledged. Have you any thoughts on this?

**— FURIOUS IN ARIZONA**

**DEAR FURIOUS:** Yes — and congratulations. Your letter is a first. I have heard of brides complaining that a gift of money wasn't large enough — but never that it was "too large." Could there be some additional tensions in the family that prevented your niece from telling you that your generosity was more than she could comfortably accept? If so, she could have returned it with a note thanking you and explaining the reason why.

Your thoughts regarding etiquette are absolutely correct. Any gift — or kind deed — should be graciously acknowledged.

**DEAR ABBY:** Our youngest son was honored at his groom's dinner last month. As I looked down our table, six of our guests were fixated on sending/receiving text messages on their cell phones. One young woman sat staring off into space because no one had made any attempt to engage her in conversation.

Finally, I remarked that this was rude and that people should shut off their gadgets and get to know one another. These people were invited to honor my son who was being married. It did not go over well. I got comments like, "What's wrong with that?" "Oh, I have taken my knitting to these events," and, "I do this all the time." My thought was, "Well, stay home then and text away!"

Is it so hard for people to tune in and turn on to what is going on around them and forgo their "toys" during special life events? I am.

**.. TIRED OF TECHNOLOGY**

**DEAR TIRED OF TECHNOLOGY:** Obviously it is. But some people are so "addicted" to their electronic devices that they literally go into a form of withdrawal if they can't check for messages every few minutes. I agree that what happened was rude. But having discussed this subject with more than one psychiatrist, what I'm hearing is that many individuals today who effectively communicate on their devices, have difficulty engaging in eye-to-eye, one-on-one social interaction. That may explain the phenomenon you observed at the party.

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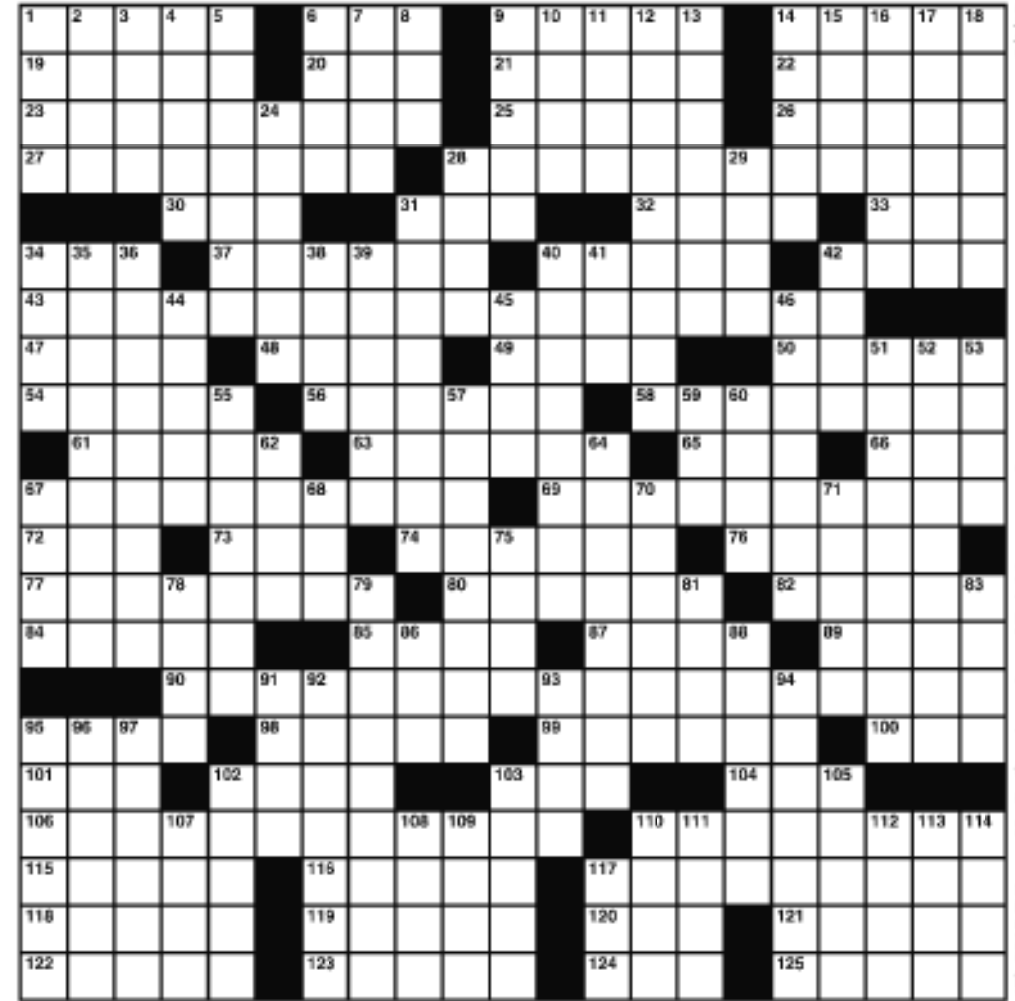
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**Sunday Crossword**

Edited by Rich Norris and Joyce Nichols Lewis

**THEM'S FIGHTIN' WORDS** By John Lampkin

- ACROSS**
- Stop at sea, with "to"
  - CD changers, at times
  - Tossed in
  - Seasonal flue shouts
  - "The Wizard of Oz" tunesmith
  - \_\_ race
  - NPR host Hansen
  - Critic with an influential thumb
  - Protective gear for public disorder?
  - Crossword components
  - Roger Bannister, notably
  - Handlers in a bucket
  - Condiments aisle dispute?
  - Slip
  - "Evita" role
  - Certain dancer's hope
  - Ending with Japan
  - Poking tool
  - Talk turkey?
  - Diet guru Jenny
  - Worry
  - Looker in a free-for-all?
  - \_\_ avail
  - Monogram pts.
  - Lecture site
  - Dagger handles
  - Knotty situation?
  - Solid alcohol
  - Bookplate words
  - Dogsledding gear
  - Like some Byzantine art
  - Bodybuilder's target, briefly
  - Rep.
  - Hostility between pinky wrestlers?
  - Couple that's always at it?
  - Eroded, with "away"
  - Bit of baloney
  - Flap-doored homes
  - Redder inside
  - Agate and jasper
  - "m" and "n" sounds
  - Like 2-Down
  - Binge
  - Broadway successes
  - Pro follower
  - Some fuel suffixes
  - Grammar class skirmishes?



- Drama opening?
- Main blood line
- Golfer's "flat stick"
- Baseball's Durocher
- Botanist Gray
- Gardner that sounds like a peer
- Kid
- Double-digit sign?
- Table game for tusslers?
- Ice cream order
- It's trotted at Christmas
- Like fall air, often
- Pasta before an affaire d'honneur?
- Bizet work
- Some jazz combos
- Uplifting garb
- Boobs
- Principle
- Skillful
- Nile snake
- Not a good way to come up
- Spy name
- "The Red" guy
- Burn balm
- Stingray, e.g., for short
- Swallow greedily
- 6\_\_ race
- Honey holders
- Part of EST. Abbr.
- Pool owner's concern
- Tabloid fodder
- Speaker's platform
- Like minor hardships
- Very blue state
- Bodybuilder
- 15 Ultimate words?
- With 55-Down, Beatles song with the line "You may be a lover but you ain't no dancer"
- Ultimatum words
- Mason's assistant
- Open, as a scroll
- Toeque wearer
- Anaheim stadium nickname
- Shaved to the max
- Env. directive
- Celebrate in a big way
- Listen
- Alphabetical orders?
- Jeeves's boss \_\_ Wooster, in Wodehouse novels
- Communion cups
- Confed. monogram
- Bodybuilder's target
- Village
- Tele- ending
- "Song of Myself" poet
- Like the Elks
- Agate relative
- Ret. fliers
- See 16-Down
- Mouse order
- T-shirt orders
- "If I Were King of the Forest" singer
- McCain's st.
- Empty, as a desk
- Online sidebar headings
- Charge card charge
- Like italics
- Cheering in a big way
- Tense time?
- Taken-back auto
- Curlew or plover
- Ballpark figure
- Old U.S. gas
- Violin add-on
- Brit's school exam
- Peer that sounds like a Gardner
- Italian cornmeal dish
- Apple product
- Citrus drinks
- Smokey Bear, e.g.
- Beach book genre
- Polo designer
- Key of four
- Beethoven piano sonatas
- Lovers' liaison
- It's disposable online
- Shout after a hook, maybe
- Andy's kid
- Par
- Nuptial pronoun
- Twice-monthly tide
- Ballpark figure follower
- Fraülein's upper
- Sibilant signal
- Corp. alias

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**ARIES (March 21-April 19):** You will find little time for idyllic idling in the week to come. At the same time, your restless inability to rest or relax may create tensions between you and a loved one. Tone down aggressiveness.

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20):** Pick yourself up, dust yourself off and start all over again. In the week ahead, you might be tripped up by unexpected competition or unfair opposition. Avoid being pressured into ill-conceived actions.

**GEMINI (May 21-June 20):** What is good for the goose is good for the gander this week. Diplomatic skills might be needed to overcome controversy and avoid disagreements. Cooperation requires plenty of give and take from both sides.

**CANCER (June 21-July 22):** Put yourself out there. You don't have anything to lose by being at a party or meeting new people this week. People may view you as being trustworthy and sincere during the most casual outings.

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22):** Smiles take you extra miles. When you give plants sunshine, they will blossom; when you give a person a friendly welcome that person is nurtured as well. Steer clear of unpleasant personal confrontations this week.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22):** Play it close to your chest. Warmth and enthusiasm could be mistakenly seen as a takeover bid. You may dive into a project this week only to find that your executive style has offended someone.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22):** Relationships could race along without rhyme or reason. You may find that your special someone is difficult to please or overly argumentative in the week ahead. Your famous diplomacy may be needed.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21):** Aggravations can come in many shapes and sizes. You might be immersed in a competitive atmosphere in the week ahead and tempted to make decisions without adequate forethought. Slow down.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21):** You are perked up by a passion for profit. However, during the week to come it might seem that the more money you make, the more you must spend. Try to apply wisdom to your finances.

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19):** Every minute spent wishing you were somewhere else is a minute you can never get back. In the week ahead, you might be faced with challenges you would prefer not to deal with, but you must.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18):** The Petri dish of relationships is bubbling with new growth. In the week to come passing challenges might help you realize how necessary it is for you to have someone as the center of your life.

**PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20):** Cook something up. Keep the barbecue grill nearby so you aren't tempted to serve a dish of vengeance, because revenge, as they say, is a dish best served cold. Remain warm and tolerant in the week to come.

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**On this date:**  
 In 1714, Britain's Queen Anne died at age 49; she was succeeded by George I.  
 In 1876, Colorado was admitted as the 38th state.  
 In 1894, the First Sino-Japanese War erupted, the result of a dispute over control of Korea; Japan's army routed the Chinese.  
 In 1907, the U.S. Army Signal Corps established an aeronautical division, the forerunner of the U.S. Air Force.  
 In 1935, the British movie thriller "The 39 Steps," directed by Alfred Hitchcock and starring Robert Donat and Madeleine Carroll, opened in the U.S.  
 In 1936, the Olympic games opened in Berlin with a ceremony presided over by Adolf Hitler.  
 In 1946, President Harry S. Truman signed the Fulbright Program into law, establishing the scholarships named for Sen. J. William Fulbright. America's Atomic Energy Commission was established.

In 1960, the Western African country of Dahomey (now Benin) became independent of French rule.

In 1966, Charles Joseph Whitman, 25, went on a shooting rampage at the University of Texas in Austin, killing 14 people. Whitman, who had also murdered his wife and mother hours earlier, was gunned down by police.

In 1981, the rock music video channel MTV made its debut.

**Ten years ago:** A U.S. military court in Germany sentenced Army Staff Sgt. Frank Ronghi to life in prison without parole for sexually assaulting and killing Merita Shabiu, an 11-year-old ethnic Albanian girl, while on peacekeeping duty in Kosovo.

**Five years ago:** Saudi Arabia's ruler, King Fahd, died; Crown Prince Abdullah, the king's half-brother, became the country's new monarch. President George W. Bush used a recess appointment to install John Bolton as ambassador to the United Nations, bypassing the Senate after a testy standoff with Democrats.

**One year ago:** A fierce storm caused an outdoor stage at the Big Valley Jamboree in Camrose, Alberta, Canada, to collapse, killing one person and injuring dozens of others. A gunman opened fire at a gay youth center in Tel Aviv, Israel, killing two people. Former Philippine President Corason Aquino, 76, the democracy icon who'd swept away a dictator, died in Manila. Naomi Sims, 61, believed to be the first black supermodel, died in Newark, N.J.

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**Dear Mr. Wolff:**  
 What are attitude leads? How do they work, and are they used only against no-trump contracts?  
 Adam Ant, Fort Walton Beach, Fla.

**ANSWER:** Attitude leads are generally used only at no-trump. Instead of leading fourth highest, the smaller the card you lead, the better your suit. So you might lead third from four, lowest from five to an honor, but a higher spot-card from five small.

**Dear Mr. Wolff:**  
 In a club duplicate game, I held ♠ Q-10-9-8-5-3, ♥ J-2, ♦ A-Q-J-10, ♣ 4. My partner opened one heart, RHO overcalled two clubs, and I bid two spades. When my partner rebid three diamonds, was I right to raise diamonds (and would that be forcing?), or should I have repeated spades? I followed the latter course and played in three spades when five diamonds was a making spot.  
 Johnny One-Note, Montreal

**ANSWER:** I would have raised three diamonds to four — with 100 honors I think I must support. This would let partner bid four spades with a doubleton honors — he has already almost denied three trumps when he did not raise spades at once, hasn't he? Support with support is a valid concept even at one's second turn, and yes, I think it would have to be forcing here.

**Dear Mr. Wolff:**  
 What does an adjusted score at duplicate mean, and how or why is it awarded?  
 Maladjusted, Anchorage, Alaska

**ANSWER:** When, in the bidding or play, an infraction occurs that may have led to a player or partnership being damaged, the director should be called to the table and asked to adjudicate. If he decides that without the infraction a different result would or might have taken place, he is empowered to change the result to protect the nonoffenders. This generally results in the nonoffenders getting the benefit of the doubt, but the issue is an exceedingly complex one and hard to summarize in this limited space.

**Dear Mr. Wolff:**  
 You recently posed this bidding problem: A player with ♠ A-5-3, ♥ J-5, ♦ A-J-9-7-6-2, ♣ K-Q made a two-diamond overcall over one spade. When he received a raise to three diamonds, you advocated a cuebid of three spades. Does this promise a spade stop or deny one? What about the hearts? Don't you need to worry about them too?  
 Openhearted, Springfield, Mich.

**ANSWER:** Judging from the auction, the opponents MIGHT run hearts. But if you focus on getting to no-trump with the danger suit (spades) stopped and don't worry about unbid suits, you will generally be right. In the auction shown, the cuebid suggests something in spades but no more than one stopper. As a general rule, if you have space, you can temporize (with a three-heart call) without a stop and cuebid with about half a stop. This gets you to no-trump when it is right more frequently than just bidding no-trump with a single stop while probing without a stop.

**Dear Mr. Wolff:**  
 You showed a deal in which the opening bidder held ♠ J-7-5, ♥ A-K-9-7-3-2, ♦ 7-3-2, ♣ 9. You recommended a jump to four clubs after opening two hearts and hearing a two-spade response. While I agree with that, how should your partner's response of two spades differ from a response of two no-trump?  
 Subtle Difference, Rockford, Ill.

**ANSWER:** The responses differ not in terms of high cards, but in terms of whether it is more important to tell partner about your hand (by bidding a suit) as opposed to asking partner about his. Normally the relayer is balanced or has heart support, though he may have a minor he does not want to emphasize. A player who bids a suit tends not to have primary support for partner.

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# Life after a spouse's death



Cleora Bills, left, and Lucille Firth tie accent knots on a quilt they will donate for charity.

## Social events help widows cope with loss of loved ones

By Melissa Davlin  
Times-News writer

PAUL — At 89, Cleora Bills still drives and lives by herself. Until last year, she mowed her own lawn.

Bills uses that independence to make sure Minidoka-area widows, like herself, get out of the house and on with their lives. Staying social helps some widows deal with loss.

Bills has plenty of experience with grief. In addition to two sons dying, she lost her first husband almost 30 years ago, then 11 years later married her second husband, Noel Bills. Noel died in December 2006, leaving her a widow once again.

To help herself and others cope with the passing of their spouses, she organizes socials and drives other widowed ladies to church. She also gets women together to quilt for a church charity — a task that's easy to hold in her living room, she said, because it's big and she lives alone.

Although she misses Noel, his passing has been easier than the first time she was widowed, she said. But her daughter-in-law, Judy Maxfield of Rupert, said she thinks Noel's passing was harder on Bills.

"They both were retired at the time and she actually spent more time with the second husband," she said.

Regardless, Maxfield agrees that staying busy and faith were both crucial to Bills' coping. They call her the neighborhood activity director, Maxfield said.

Although Bills has helped a lot of women, she said she gets as much out of the activities herself.

"It helped me as well as them," Bills said.

Janet Mink, a Twin Falls widow, said seven widows currently live in her Twin Falls cul-de-sac. The women get together often to share gossip, drink wine,



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Helen Moore, left, Yvonne Edmondson, Cleora Bills and Lucille Firth work on a quilt June 15 at Bills' home in Paul. About 10 people are members of the group — mainly widows — and they get together to quilt, go to church events and have lunch together. Bills says they have made about 30 quilts this year that they donate to humanitarian projects.



Lucille Firth, left, Betty Poulton and Yvonne Edmonds on put the finishing touches on a quilt.

play dominos or quilt.

"When we first started getting together all the time, we called ourselves the Scott Court Widows Association," Mink said, although that name changed to the Winettes for their love of wine. Three of those women have lost husbands since they lived there, while the rest have been widows since they moved into the neigh-

borhood. They help each other through their grief — a support network Mink wishes she had when she lost her husband 25 years ago. At the time, many of her friends were still married and slowly drifted away.

"No one cut anyone loose in this neighborhood," Mink said.

Phillip Kottraba, director of the Twin Falls Senior

Center, said staying busy helps center members who have lost a spouse. Although there are no support or activity groups at the Twin Falls center, he sees friends often reach out to the newly widowed.

"Generally we let them handle it in their own way," Kottraba said. "When they come in we try to pay more attention."

Depending on how long a

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- Cry.
- Remember to rest.
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- Wait at least a year to sell your house, date, remarry or get rid of your loved one's personal possessions.
- Avoid drinking too much.

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person has been widowed, Kottraba might encourage them to join a support group or, if it has been several years since the spouse died, a dating website. Several couples have met at the senior center after their first spouses died.

Rose Irwin, site manager of the Hagerman Valley Senior and Community Center, said many Hagerman widows volunteer — including her sister. Some deliver meals, while others work at the center's thrift store. Others get together for an aerobics group.

No matter what they're doing, staying busy helps them keep their minds off loneliness and grief.

"They're just happier," Irwin said. "They've got something else to think about."

And having some company doesn't hurt.

"All I can do is try to help them stay social," Kottraba said. "That's what helps, I think, is the friends and neighbors."

Melissa Davlin may be reached at 735-3234 or melissa.davlin@lee.net.

## Not your native tongue

Idahoans find work, personal reasons to learn a second language

By Ariel Hansen  
Times-News writer

It's a cliché, but probably true, that there are a lot of spouses out there who would rather not communicate with their mothers-in-law. But what if you couldn't?

Alexes Bonnavier met her husband in Panama when he

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visited as a tourist, and she moved back to Richfield with him after they married seven years ago.

"My English was little, and

my Spanish was little, but we understood each other," she said. His family was another story, as they didn't know her native tongue and her version of theirs was difficult for them to understand.

Bonnivier's English is improving as she takes lessons,

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Jenny Emery Davidson, left, director of the Blaine County Center of the College of Southern Idaho, chats with La Alianza Multicultural Center executive director Millie Gaitan-Gonzalez. The two often speak in Spanish and help others expand their cultural understanding by encouraging bilingualism in the community.

ARIEL HANSEN/Times-News



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## Language

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partly to communicate better with her family and fellow Idahoans and partly to improve her employment opportunities.

"My English is not very well, but I am making plans to get a better job," she said. And with improvement in vocabulary and pronunciation comes more comfort in a foreign land. "It makes me feel more safe, when I have to ask something in English.

"When you are in a place where you don't understand anybody, you feel afraid and insecure."

Bonnivier didn't have much choice but to learn a new language, but many Idahoans do — and are.

Jenny Emery Davidson, director of the Blaine County Center of the College of Southern Idaho, said enrollment in language classes is up. Often, students learn a new language for very personal reasons — they have a new co-worker, a new friend, even a new family member whose English is poor or nonexistent.

"It allows for a deeper level of connection between us," said Emery Davidson, who recently returned from a Fulbright Scholarship trip to Mexico and speaks fluent Spanish. She said she often chooses it with Spanish-speaking friends who are also fluent in English, because the vocabulary or phraseology allows for a clearer understanding. "There are things that just don't translate. Spanish is going to be able to capture what I want to say better sometimes"

For Idahoans who are not fluent, knowing some Spanish can be a boon, both personally and professionally.

Anne Elliott, who lives in the Woodside neighborhood of Hailey, has a lot of Hispanic neighbors, though she admits to being shy speaking Spanish with them. Her granddaughters are in the dual immersion program in the Blaine County schools, in which children learn part of their lessons in English and part in Spanish.

Elliott has been able to arrange play dates for the girls with the non-English-speaking moms of their school chums, and when their cousin who speaks only French and Spanish came to visit, Elliott was able to take the family on a camping trip, communicating in Spanish the whole time.

She appreciates the lessons in culture that her granddaughters are receiving through their Spanish immersion.

"I'm not one of these people who think things should be taught in one language only, I think that's narrow-minded," Elliott said. "Generally, learning another language helps you to learn about other cultures, and that widens your perspective on the world."

Emery Davidson said she has heard the opposite opinion, particularly from those who would like English to be the official language of Idaho or the

### WANT TO LEARN?

There are many places to learn Spanish and other languages in south-central Idaho, including for-credit and community education classes at the College of Southern Idaho, private tutoring and online learning from a variety of websites. CSI offers classes in Spanish, Japanese, French and English as a Second Language, at its Hailey, Burley and Twin Falls campuses; visit [csi.edu](http://csi.edu) (732-6221) to find for-credit classes, and [community.educsi.edu](http://community.educsi.edu) (732-6442) to find enrichment classes.

U.S., with no translated government documents or signs available to speakers of other languages.

"We need people in the world who can bridge cultures," she said, saying that learning another language can be a sign of empathy and respect for others. "Every person in the community plays a vital role, and you don't know what you're missing if you can't communicate with them."

For those who can't speak English well, she said, there is often prejudice, especially in the center of the U.S. where there have historically been fewer immigrants than on the coasts.

"There's always that undertone of, 'Dammit, why can't they learn English?'" said Brian Sturgess, a Wood River Middle School teacher who participates in the dual immersion program with his sixth-grade class. He said he hears this sentiment frequently. "Well, what other (language) class are you taking? It's a two-way street. You have to take that step to welcome a friend."

Sturgess has been learning Spanish primarily for work, to be able to better communicate with his fellow teachers, his students and their parents, but he has also used the language as he moves throughout the community.

"The most positive thing for me is when I see somebody who is an English language learner, if they're in the situation where somebody isn't understanding them, I can translate for them a little bit," he said, recalling a time when he was able to help a stranded Spanish-speaking motorist change a flat tire.

"When you start to learn the customs and the language and the nuances, you understand that we all want the same thing," Sturgess said. "This interchange breaks down barriers between cultures."

Although learning a new language can be intimidating, it is an altruistic act, Emery Davidson said. It can help any native better empathize with newcomers to the community, to "understand challenges others are facing as they learn." And, she noted, it's fun: "It's great cerebral exercise."

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## SENIOR CALENDAR

### Twin Falls Senior Citizen Center

530 Shoshone St. W., Twin Falls. Lunch at noon. Suggested donation: \$4.50, seniors 60 and older; \$5.50, non-seniors; \$2.50, children 12 and younger. Center hours: 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.; lounge and pool rooms; bargain center, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Daily lunches are available for take-out from 11 a.m. to noon; seniors 59 and under, \$5.50; seniors 60 and older, \$4.50. 734-5084.

#### MENUS:

Monday: Taco salad  
Tuesday: Hamburger or hot dog  
Wednesday: Chicken a la king with noodles  
Thursday: Spaghetti  
Friday: Pork chops

#### ACTIVITIES:

Monday: Fit and Fall Proof exercise, 10:30 to 11:15 a.m. Bridge, 12:30 p.m. Tai chi, 1 p.m.  
Tuesday: Ticket Tuesday at lunch Line dancing, 6 p.m.  
Wednesday: Cinnamon rolls for sale, 8 a.m. to noon Quilting, 9 a.m. to noon Fit and Fall Proof, 10:30 to 11:15 a.m. Pinochle, 7 p.m.  
Thursday: Pinochle, 12:30 p.m. Super bingo, 6:30 p.m.; adults only (minimum \$7, medium \$11, average \$15; 16 games)  
Friday: Quilting, 9 a.m. to noon Fit and Fall Proof, 10:30 to 11:15 a.m. Bingo, noon Tai chi, 1 p.m.

### West End Senior Citizens Inc.

1010 Main St., Buhl. Lunch at noon. Suggested donation: \$4, seniors; \$5, non-seniors. Sunday buffet: \$5, seniors, 60 and older; \$6, non-seniors; \$4, children 12 and younger. Center hours: 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sunday; 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday, Tuesday, Thursday; 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. Wednesday. Bus runs for lunch pickup, call 543-4577 by 10:30 a.m. today, Tuesday and Thursday. Energy assistance by appointment, 736-0676.

#### MENUS:

Monday: Chicken vegetable soup, sandwich  
Tuesday: Fish or hamburger  
Wednesday: Cook's choice  
Thursday: Barbecued beef on a bun

#### ACTIVITIES:

Today: Baked chicken dinner, 1 p.m. Last Resort Band  
Monday: SilverSneakers exercise program, 10:30 a.m.  
Tuesday: Quilting, 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.  
Wednesday: SilverSneakers, 10:30 a.m. Farmers market, 4:30 to 6 p.m. at the center; cinnamon bread available  
Bingo at 7 p.m.; minimum cost is \$9; public welcome  
Thursday: Quilting, 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Blood pressure checks, 11:45 a.m. Bingo, 1 to 3 p.m. Friday: SilverSneakers, 10:30 a.m.

### Filer Senior Haven

222 Main St., Filer. Lunch at noon Tuesday through

Thursday. Suggested donation: \$4. Center hours: 8 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

#### ACTIVITIES:

Monday: Bingo, 6:30 p.m.; public welcome  
Tuesday: Puzzles, 11:30 a.m. Bingo, 12:30 p.m.  
Wednesday: Puzzles, 11:30 a.m.  
Thursday: Puzzles, 11:30 a.m. Bingo, 1 p.m.

### Ageless Senior Citizens Inc.

310 Main St. N., Kimberly. Lunch and full-serve salad bar, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.; take-out; home delivery. Suggested donation: \$4, seniors; \$5, under 60; \$2.50, children 12 and younger. Center hours: 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Nu-2-U Thrift Store open 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

#### MENUS:

Monday: Hamburger enchilada  
Wednesday: Pizza  
Friday: Roast pork

#### ACTIVITIES:

Monday: Tai chi, 10 a.m. Exercise, 10:30 a.m. AA meeting, 8 p.m.  
Tuesday: Bingo, 7 p.m.; everyone over 18 welcome  
Wednesday: Tai chi, 10 a.m. Exercise, 10:30 a.m.  
Thursday: NA meeting, 7 p.m.  
Friday: Tai chi, 10 a.m. Exercise, 10:30 a.m.  
Gem State Fiddlers, 11:30 a.m. Bingo, 11:50 a.m. Pinochle, 1 p.m.

### Gooding County Senior Citizen Center

308 Senior Ave., Gooding. Lunch at noon. Suggested donation: \$3.50 for seniors. Center hours: 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

#### MENUS:

Monday: Spaghetti  
Tuesday: Chicken fried steak  
Wednesday: Taco bar  
Thursday: Ham

#### ACTIVITIES:

Tuesday: Hand and foot, 6 p.m.  
Thursday: Morning out, 9 a.m.  
Friday: Duplicate bridge, 1 p.m.  
Saturday: Breakfast, 7:30-10 a.m.

### Wendell Senior Meal Site

105 W. Ave. A. Lunch served at noon Mondays. Hours: 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

### Hagerman Valley Senior and Community Center

140 E. Lake, Hagerman. Lunch at noon. Suggested donation: \$4, seniors 60 and older; \$5, non-seniors; \$2, 12 and younger. Center hours: 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.; thrift shop, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.; free high-speed Internet. Computer class available; Barbara Adamson, 731-2249. Volunteers needed to do dishes Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

#### MENUS:

Monday: Sweet and sour chicken  
Wednesday: Sloppy Joe  
Friday: Creamy chicken and noodles

#### ACTIVITIES:

Monday: Blood draws, 8:30 to 10:30 a.m.  
Wednesday: Entertainment

### Jerome Senior Center

520 N. Lincoln St., Jerome. Lunch at noon. Suggested donation: \$3.50, seniors; \$5, non-seniors. Center hours: 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Trans IV bus runs Monday through Friday, call 736-2133.

#### MENUS:

Monday: Hash brown casserole  
Tuesday: Baked chicken  
Wednesday: Sweet and sour pork over rice  
Thursday: Ham  
Friday: Lasagna

#### ACTIVITIES:

Sunday: Dance with music by Melody Masters, 2 p.m.  
Monday: SilverSneakers exercise, 10:30 a.m. and 5:20 p.m. Bridge, 12:30 p.m.  
Tuesday: Tai chi, 10:30 a.m. Pinochle, 1 p.m.  
Wednesday: SilverSneakers, 10:30 a.m. and 5:20 p.m. Bridge, 12:30 p.m. Dick and John Threads of time, 1 p.m. Pinochle, 7 p.m.  
Thursday: YogaStretch, 10:30 a.m. Free Will Baptist Church SilverSneakers, 5:20 p.m.  
Friday: SilverSneakers, 10:30 a.m. Fiddlers, 1 p.m. Pinochle, 1 p.m. Foot clinic, 1:30 p.m.

### Silver and Gold Senior Center

210 E. Wilson, Eden. Lunch at noon. Suggested donation: \$3.50, seniors; \$5, non-seniors. Center hours: 7 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday; 8 a.m. to noon Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

#### MENUS:

Tuesday: Hamburger steak  
Thursday: Italian sausage

#### ACTIVITIES:

Wednesday: Bingo, 7 p.m.

### Richfield Senior Center

130 S. Main, Richfield. Lunch at noon. Suggested donation: \$3.50, seniors; \$5.50, under 60.

#### MENUS:

Monday: Chicken broccoli casserole  
Thursday: Beef taco salad

### Golden Years Senior Citizens Inc.

218 N. Rail St. W., Shoshone. Lunch at noon. Suggested donation: \$3.50, seniors 60 and older; \$5.50, non-seniors. Center hours: 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday; 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday.

#### MENUS:

Tuesday: Chicken broccoli casserole  
Wednesday: Hot dogs  
Friday: Meatballs with gravy

#### ACTIVITIES:

Monday: Quilting, 10 a.m.  
Tuesday: Pinochle, 1 p.m. Bingo  
Wednesday: Black-out bingo, 12:30 p.m.  
Friday: Pinochle, 1 p.m. Bingo

### Blaine County Senior Center

721 Third Ave. S., Hailey. Lunch at noon Monday through Friday. Suggested donation: \$3, seniors;

\$5, non-seniors. Center hours: 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday through Friday.

#### ACTIVITIES:

Monday: Fit and Fall Proof exercise, 10 a.m. Duplicate bridge, 7 p.m.  
Tuesday: Crochet and Knitters Anonymous, 10:30 a.m. Blood pressure checks, 12:30 p.m. Bingo, 1 p.m. Wii bowling, 2 p.m.  
Wednesday: Fit and Fall Proof, 10 a.m. Win on Wednesday  
Thursday: Movie, 1 p.m.; \$2 Friday: Table tennis, 9 a.m. Fit and Fall Proof, 10 a.m.

### Minidoka County Senior Citizens Center

702 11th St., Rupert. Lunch at noon Monday through Friday. Suggested donation: \$5, seniors; \$6, non-seniors; \$3, children 10 and younger; \$4.50, home delivery. Gift shop: 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Center hours: 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Medicare Part D assistance by appointments: Kitty Andrews at 677-4872, ext. 2.

#### ACTIVITIES:

Monday: Pinochle, 1 p.m.  
Tuesday: Pool, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.  
Wednesday: Pinochle, 1 p.m.  
Thursday: Pool, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.  
Friday: Pinochle, 1 p.m. Bingo, 7 p.m.; \$7 and \$11 packets; 25 cents and \$1 games

### Golden Heritage Senior Center

2421 Overland Ave., Burley. Lunch at noon. Suggested donation: \$4.50, seniors and children 12 and younger; \$6, non-seniors. Center hours: 8:30 a.m. to 2 p.m.

#### MENUS:

Monday: Beef fajita  
Tuesday: Patty melt  
Wednesday: Oven fried chicken  
Thursday: Freezer special  
Friday: Potato bar

#### ACTIVITIES:

Monday: Pool Exercise, 11 a.m. Pinochle, 1 p.m.  
Tuesday: Wood carving, 8:30 a.m. Radio show, 9:06 a.m. Community bingo for age 18 or older; doors open at 6 p.m.  
Wednesday: Pool Exercise, 11 a.m. Pinochle, 1 p.m.  
Thursday: Wood carving, 6 p.m. Community pinochle, 6 p.m.  
Friday: Pool Exercise, 11 a.m. Pinochle, 1 p.m. Bingo, 1 p.m.

### Three Island Senior Center

492 E. Cleveland Ave., Glenns Ferry. Lunch at noon. Suggested donation: \$4, seniors 60 and older; \$6, non-seniors; \$2.50, children 12 and younger. For rides: 366-2051. Center hours: 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.

#### MENUS:

Monday: Macaroni and cheese with ham  
Tuesday: Chicken pot pie  
Thursday: Lasagna

#### ACTIVITIES:

Monday: Fit and Fall Proof exercise, 10:30 a.m.  
Thursday: Fit and Fall Proof, 10:30 a.m.  
Friday: TOPS, 10 a.m.

## Hopkins students design device to prevent premature births

By Kelly Brewington  
The Baltimore Sun

BALTIMORE, Md. — A group of Johns Hopkins graduate students have developed a device to detect a woman's likelihood of delivering a premature baby.

The CervoCheck is a small ring embedded with sensors that picks up electrical signals associated with uterine contractions. The ring is designed to be embedded in a woman's vaginal canal at a physician's office or hospital.

The device has only been tested on animals at this point. But the students have obtained a provisional patent on the device.

There are about 500,000 premature births in the United States each year, according to The National Center for Health Statistics. A normal pregnancy lasts 40 weeks, while a preterm baby is delivered before 37 weeks.

Preterm babies may experience complications and health problems. The births can also result in more costly medical bills.

The students, who studied biomedical engineering, said that current technology doesn't detect preterm labor until it's too far along. By that time medications can only delay the birth by a few days.

They believe their device can detect the likelihood of early labor sooner and prolong the pregnancy by as

much as six weeks. Cost savings could be as much as \$44,000 per patient, the students believe.

The students who invented the CervoCheck system were Karin Hwang, Chris Courville, Deepika Sagaram and Rose Huang. They have all recently received graduate degrees from Hopkins.

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## BACK TO SCHOOL

# Tips for staying safe at college



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The Doberman Security Laptop Defender motion sensor alarm attached to a laptop computer.

## Common sense is best defense, consultant says

By Kim Cook  
For The Associated Press

The annual college shopping trip is upon us. And while it's fun to stock up on posters, shower caddies and desk lamps, experts say you also should consider how you'll keep yourself, and your stuff, safe on campus.

Common sense is the best defense, says Chris McGoey, who runs a security business in Los Angeles and consults on campus safety.

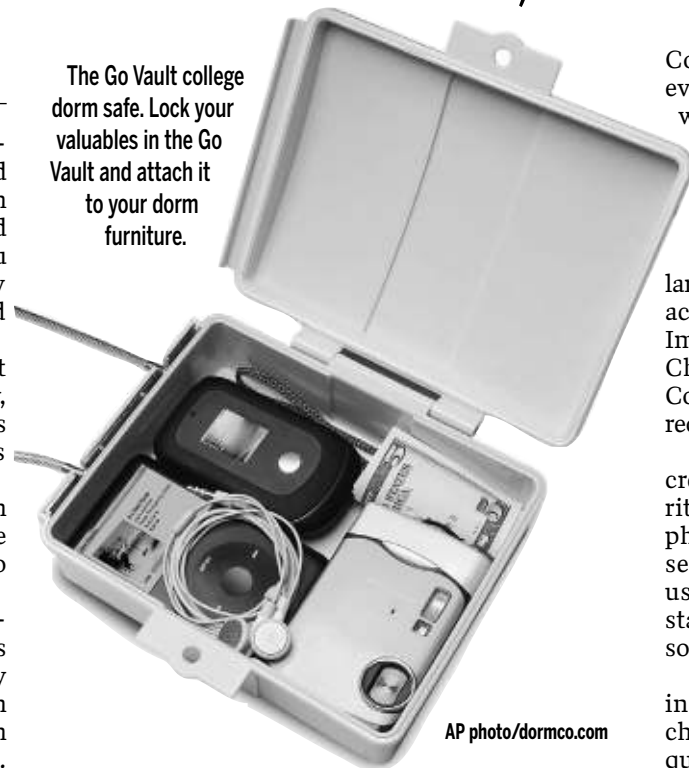
"It's all about access. In most incidents, victims were careless, unaware and too trusting," he says.

In dorm suites and hallways, there may be visitors you don't know. Many freshmen like to adopt an "open-door" policy when they get moved into dorms. But that's an invitation to would-be thieves.

"If you have a computer, laptop or other electronic equipment, tether it to something solid using a security cable," advise the "college life" editors at the school-advice site SparkNotes.com.

There are also motion-sensor locks for laptops. And Orbicule's Undercover is a monitoring device for your Mac, iPhone or iPad; for a student price of \$39, the downloadable software will snap a photo of the person who took your Mac and track the IP address anywhere in the world — information that can be given to police. In the meantime, lockout features prevent the thief from accessing anything on the computer.

The Go Vault college dorm safe. Lock your valuables in the Go Vault and attach it to your dorm furniture.



AP photo/dormco.com

As for smaller valuables, some students suggest keeping them in a trunk — the kind you take to summer camp — with a combination lock. Trunks also make handy nightstands.

Jeff Gawronski of DormCo.com, an online retailer that sells dorm security items, says his biggest seller is a room safe. Safes these days have been scaled down to look less intimidating in a dorm room.

Diversion safes are containers that look like everyday items — cleanser cans, for example. The idea's clever, so long as nobody accidentally throws the safe out.

If your roommate has lost a key, don't leave the door

unlocked. Instead offer to help find the resident assistant to get a new lock and keys.

In general, familiarize yourself with the school's security systems and dorm environment. Locate fire extinguishers, and keep a small one on hand if you have appliances.

DormCo.com stocks a Kevlar fire blanket to smother flames.

Female students may feel safer at night with a small pepper spray canister, if the school allows it.

CollegeStudentSafety.com even sells jogging hand weights with a small vial hidden in the grip. A lighted keychain with an alarm may offer peace of mind.

Students are at particular risk for identity theft, according to a survey by Impulse Research for the Chubb Group Insurance Cos. Some simple steps can reduce the risk:

Don't give out bank, credit card or social security information over the phone or online. Shred sensitive documents, or use an identity blocker stamp that obscures personal info.

Be careful about replying to solicitations, and check bank balances frequently.

If your wallet or purse is stolen, let your bank, the school and the police know immediately.

If you do suspect identity theft, go to Onguardonline.gov for help. It has information from the federal government and the tech industry on how to safeguard identity online.

"Parents can't assume their son/daughter knows not to readily give out their personal information," says Gawronski. "This should be a discussion for all parents to have with their children before they head off to college."

## Does full-day kindergarten require some practice?

Chicago Tribune

How much structure does a half-day preschooler need in the summer in order to be ready for full-day kindergarten in the fall?

### Parent advice

Full-day kindergarten may depend on whether they need a nap or not. One of my daughters learned how to read by age 4. My neighbor asked me before kindergarten enrollment if I was going to have her placed in first grade — her older son, who was in second grade at the time, was embarrassed that she read better than he did. But she still needed a nap every afternoon and didn't get up until 8 a.m.

By preschool age I enrolled my children in preschool programs according to their needs — meeting new friends, learning a skill, such as swimming, or a chance to be without their other siblings. One daughter could amuse herself, another wanted to be occupied, another wanted to be in charge. How (much structure is required for kindergarten) depends on the child.

— Barb Matarrese

The most important thing is building up her stamina for a full day. She will not be alone in having to do that.

Depending on when her half-day begins, she will have to practice getting up earlier than she is used to, which may mean going to bed earlier. I would consider beginning the new routine about a month before school begins — you know your child; perhaps only a few weeks will be enough.

— Marie Grass Amenta

If your preschooler has been in a preschool class, ask the teacher what she suggests. I think it is helpful to the child to spend part of the day with a parent reading stories, doing art projects and working on number skills.

You can space these activities out to various days. Anything you can do to help the child learn to socialize can be an asset. Have other children over to play.

— Jean Rubinson

### Expert advice

Start by asking your child's school how they transition children into full-day kindergarten, suggests Paula Glenn, a speech-language therapist for elementary schools in the Denver area.

"Most kindergarten programs transition students in the first few months of full-day kindergarten from a preschool-like approach; some continue to include a short rest/naptime for the first few months," she said. "You may be surprised at what you find out."

During the summer, review any suggestions and concerns his or her preschool teacher mentioned in the past year, Glenn said.

Then work to address those concerns and support your child's development based on those recommendations.

"How much structure a child needs in the summer depends on the child," Glenn said. "However, no matter the child's level, always spend at least 20 minutes daily reading to your child and discussing the vocabulary in the story; there is nothing more important for kindergarten readiness."

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Divorce attorneys Leslie, left, and Ken Matthews, shown in the offices of their firm in Denver, estimated 1 in 10 of their cases involves evidence plucked from social networking sites.

# Online evidence

## Divorce lawyers: Facebook plays key role in many cases

By Leanne Italie  
Associated Press writer

Forgot to de-friend your wife on Facebook while posting vacation shots of your mistress? Her divorce lawyer will be thrilled.

Oversharing on social networks has led to an overabundance of evidence in divorce cases. The American Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers says 81 percent of its members have used or faced evidence plucked from Facebook, MySpace, Twitter and other social networking sites, including YouTube and LinkedIn, over the last five years.

"Oh, I've had some fun ones," said Linda Lea Viken, president-elect of the 1,600-member group. "It's very, very common in my new cases."

Facebook is the unrivaled leader for turning virtual reality into real-life divorce drama, Viken said. Sixty-six percent of the lawyers surveyed cited Facebook foibles as the source of online evidence, she said. MySpace followed with 15 percent, followed by Twitter at 5 percent.

About one in five adults uses Facebook for flirting, according to a 2008 report by the Pew Internet and American Life Project. But it's not just kissy pix with the manstress or mistress that show up as evidence. Think of Dad forcing son to de-friend mom, bolstering her alienation of affection claim against him.

"This sort of evidence has gone from nothing to a large percentage of my cases coming in, and it's pretty darn easy," Viken said. "It's like, 'Are you kidding me?'"

Neither Viken, in Rapid City, S.D., nor other divorce attorneys would besmirch the attorney-client privilege by revealing the identities of clients, but they spoke in broad terms about some of the goofs they've

"People are just blabbing things all over Facebook. People don't yet quite connect what they're saying in their divorce cases is completely different from what they're saying on Facebook. It doesn't even occur to them that they'd be found out."

— Leslie Matthews, divorce lawyer

encountered:

- **Husband goes** on Match.com and declares his single, childless status while seeking primary custody of said nonexistent children.

- **Husband denies** anger management issues but posts on Facebook in his "write something about yourself" section: "If you have the balls to get in my face, I'll kick your ass into submission!"

- **Father seeks** custody of the kids, claiming (among other things) that his ex-wife never attends the events of their young ones. Subpoenaed evidence from the gaming site World of Warcraft tracks her there with her boyfriend at the precise time she was supposed to be out with the children. Mom loves Facebook's Farmville, too, at all the wrong times.

- **Mom denies** in court that she smokes marijuana but posts partying, pot-smoking photos of herself on Facebook.

The disconnect between real life and online is hardly unique to partners de-coupling in the United States. A DIY divorce site in the United Kingdom, Divorce-Online, reported the word "Facebook" appeared late last year in about one in five of the petitions it was handling. (The company's caseload now amounts to about 7,000.)

Divorce attorneys Ken and Leslie Matthews, a husband and wife team in Denver, don't see quite as many online gems. They estimated 1 in 10 of their cases involves

such evidence, compared with a rare case or no cases at all in each of the last three years. Regardless, it's powerful evidence to plunk down before a judge, they said.

"You're finding information that you just never get in the normal discovery process — ever," Leslie Matthews said. "People are just blabbing things all over Facebook. People don't yet quite connect what they're saying in their divorce cases is completely different from what they're saying on Facebook. It doesn't even occur to them that they'd be found out."

Social networks are also ripe for divorce-related hate and smear campaigns among battling spousal camps, sometimes spawning legal cases of their own.

"It's all pretty good evidence," Viken said. "You can't really fake a page off of Facebook. The judges don't really have any problems letting it in."

The attorneys offer these tips for making sure your out-loud personal life online doesn't wind up in divorce court:

### What you say can and will be held against you

If you plan on lying under oath, don't load up social networks with evidence to the contrary.

"We tell our clients when they come in, 'I want to see your Facebook page. I want you to remember that the judge can read that stuff so never write anything you

don't want the judge to hear,'" Viken said.

### Beware your frenemies

Going through a divorce is about as emotional as it gets for many couples. The desire to talk trash is great, but so is the pull for friends to take sides.

"They think these people can help get them through it," said Marlene Eskin Moses, a family law expert in Nashville, Tenn., and current president of the elite academy of divorce attorneys. "It's the worst possible time to share your feelings online!"

### A picture may be worth ... big bucks

Grown-ups on a good day should know better than to post boozy, carousing or sexually explicit photos of themselves online, but in the middle of a contentious divorce? Ken Matthews recalls photos of a client's partially naked estranged wife alongside pictures of their kids on Facebook.

"He was hearing bizarre stories from his kids. Guys around the house all the time. Men running in and out. And there were these pictures," Matthews said.

### Privacy, privacy, privacy

They're called privacy settings for a reason. Find them. Get to know them. Use them. Keep up when Facebook decides to change them.

Viken tells a familiar story: A client accused her spouse of adultery and he denied it in court. "The guy testified he didn't have a relationship with this woman. They were just friends. The girlfriend hadn't put security on her page and there they were. 'Gee judge, who lied to you?'"

# The reality of childhood depression

By Armin Brott  
McClatchy-Tribune News Service

**Q:** Over the past several months, our 12-year-old son has become increasingly moody, sad, and withdrawn. He has no friends and no interest in school or any other activities. When we ask him what's wrong, he tells us to leave him alone and says that he doesn't care what anyone thinks. Is it possible for a child this age to have depression?

**A:** Absolutely. For some reason I've never understood, a lot of people think that childhood depression is a myth ("oh, come on, what do kids have to be depressed about?") As a result, too many parents, teachers, and other adults ignore (or rationalize away) behaviors like the ones your son is exhibiting. I'm glad you're paying attention.

The truth is that childhood depression is a reality. According to the American Academy of Child & Adolescent Psychiatry, about 5 percent of children and adolescents in the general population suffer from depression at any given point in time. And a recent study of 9- to 17-year-olds spontaneously to share your feelings online!"

Kids who have been through puberty, have experienced stress, loss (such as death in the family), trauma (such as abuse), or those with ADD, learning or behavior issues, or anxiety are at even higher risk.

The big question is, How do you know whether a child or teen is depressed? Only a health care professional can make a clinical diagnosis, but the following symptoms should certainly raise red flags:

- **Problems** as at school, at home, or with peers.
- **Changes** in appetite or sleep, always being tired.
- **Social** withdrawal or anxiety toward things your child normally is not afraid of.
- **Regressing** to behaviors more common in younger children, such as bed-wetting.
- **Persistent** sadness or tearfulness.
- **Signs** of self-destructive behavior, such as head-banging, or a lot of unexplained bruises, cuts or injuries.
- **Repeated** talk of death.

Obviously, not every sulky child is suffering from depression, bipolar disorder, schizophrenia or any other serious mental illness. Many pre-teens and teenagers are notori-

ously moody, aggressive and unruly — behaviors that may be caused by hormonal changes and peer pressure rather than depression. Also, certain physical conditions, such as thyroid dysfunction and anemia can cause depressive symptoms like tiredness.

One thing that makes childhood depression more difficult to spot than adult depression is that children generally deny that there's a problem (although plenty of adults do this too). Unfortunately, because signs of depressive disorders are often viewed by family and health care professionals as "normal" for a particular developmental phase, far too many youngsters don't get the timely treatment they need. Untreated depression increases children's risk of developing more serious mental health issues, substance abuse, and even committing suicide.

In my view, the message is pretty clear: When it comes to our children's health, it's always better to err on the side of caution. So if you're seeing any of the above symptoms — or any other behavior that worries you (don't be afraid to go with your gut) — get your son evaluated by his pediatrician. If he or she suspects a mental illness, your son will be referred for specialized help and appropriate treatment. Needless to say, it's critical to diagnose and treat depression in a timely manner so it doesn't interfere with your son's ability to function, or his healthy physical, emotional and social development.

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## Stress too high? Give it a few years

By Warren Wolfe  
Star Tribune (Minneapolis)

Feeling dissatisfied with your life as you approach middle age? A little worried about life at 50?

Here's the good news from a recent study: You've probably hit bottom and you're headed up — possibly to new heights.

An analysis of a 2008 Gallup poll, which surveyed more than 340,000 adults aged 18 to 85, suggests an antidote to feelings of stress and worry. It's not a new car or a new spouse. It's age.

Here's what to expect as you get older:

In general, feelings of well-being are pretty high among older teenagers, but fall sharply through age 25, meander a bit for 10 years, then drop off again until about age 50. That's when things start looking up.

By age 75, you may be feeling like a teenager again, at least in your sense of well-being. It keeps getting better



until at least age 85, the study says.

To researchers' surprise, the pattern wasn't much affected by unemployment, lack of a partner, children at home or gender — although women tended to score a little lower than men.

Researchers also found that stress and anger declined steeply from the early 20s, worry built until middle age and then dropped, and sadness was fairly steady throughout

adulthood.

But feelings of enjoyment and happiness dropped slightly until the mid 50s, rose to previous highs around age 70 and pretty much stayed there.

The study was conducted by the Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Science at Stony Brook University in New York and published by the National Academy of Sciences.

"Why are older people, on average, happier and less

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stressed than younger people?" the researchers wondered.

At this point, they guess, maybe older people gain "increased 'wisdom' and emotional intelligence ... (and) are more effective at regulating their emotions than younger people."

Lead researcher Prof. Arthur Stone said the answers may lie in our environment, psychology and biology — how we live, what we think about it and how our chemistry responds to that.

Jean Facer, of Rupert, Idaho, will celebrate her 80th birthday on August 2nd



She was born and raised in Utah, and married the late Max Facer in 1946. They were married 63 years. They moved to Rupert in 1958 with their family, to farm on the "Northside", where Jean resides today. They have 5 children: Beverly (Lew) Jones, Shirlee (Galen) Adams, Julie (Max) Graham, Douglas Facer, and Cindy (Rusty) Gillette.

She was honored on July 31st, with a birthday celebration at the Gillette home, with family and friends. Congratulations on being 80 years young. Your family cherishes the time they spend with you.

# Book explores challenges of caring for a loved one

By Judith Graham  
Chicago Tribune

Gail Sheehy spent 17 years as a caregiver, shepherding her husband, Clay Felker, through four bouts of cancer. When Felker, founder of New York magazine, died two years ago, Sheehy traveled the country, interviewing caregivers. She weaves their stories and hers in a new book, "Passages in Caregiving: Turning Chaos into Confidence" (William Morrow, \$27.99), a rich source of resources and practical advice. Here is an edited version of our conversation.

**Q:** The heart of your story revolves around intense emotions: anger, fear, guilt, anxiety. Was it hard to write about that?

**A:** Writing has always been the way I understand what I'm living. And I really didn't feel a lot of guilt because I was there for my husband through a very long haul.

**Q:** You describe caregiving as a labyrinth. How did you choose that image?

**A:** At a retreat for family caregivers in Oregon, I found myself walking a labyrinth. You move along a straight path, and suddenly there's an abrupt twist. You go on, and then there's another sudden turn. Then it seems like you're going backward. You think, I'm never going to get out of here.

It resonated with what I had heard caregivers describe. Their stories

weren't linear; they were circular.

**Q:** The center of the labyrinth has a special meaning. Can you describe that?

**A:** It's the point where you realize your loved one isn't going to go back to the independent person he or she once was. You recognize you're on a different path, and if you don't begin to plan your own comeback, you may lose yourself.

**Q:** That happened to you, didn't it?

**A:** Yes. I was in danger toward the latter part of my husband's illness of losing myself. Actually, what happened was, I lost my power of concentration. I think that happens to a lot of caregivers. You have to plug the holes in so many places. In the last year of Clay's illness, it got to the point where I was afraid I couldn't write anymore. That was when a doctor ordered me to go away for a week.

**Q:** You write very movingly of asking yourself, "Can I really do this?" What decided you in favor of hanging in there?

**A:** It was not by putting the pros and cons on either side of a yellow pad. It was just my deepest instinct to stay and see it through.

I've asked myself many times since, would I do the same thing, and there's no question in my mind that I would do it tomorrow. Spiritually, it was the only path.

**Q:** It sounds like your husband was an incredible fighter. Can you

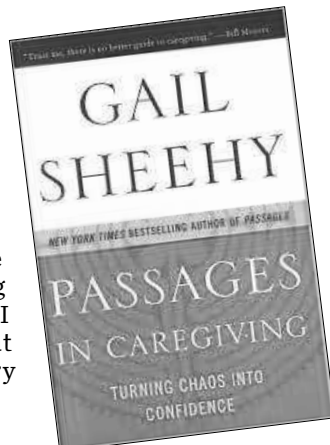
talk about the journey you saw him go through at the end?

**A:** Both of us had our struggles with letting go. Clay wasn't religious so he had no idea where he was going. Of course, I didn't either. But at least I had some faith. That became a real issue for us. Because I wanted him to have a spiritual pathway, but I couldn't give it to him.

I think he didn't feel entirely at ease with what he had done with his life. Even with all the people whose careers he had fostered, he didn't feel he had given as much as he could or that he deserved their love. Which was so divorced from reality. Finally, he was able to acknowledge that.

**Q:** What was hardest for you?

**A:** I would go to sleep thinking, "I just don't know if I can do this." And then I'd wake up in the morning and rush into the next room and he would be peacefully sleeping and I would say, "But I still have him." That was the seesaw, every day.



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## Celebrations

### Engagements

#### Abo-Betts

Steven Abo and Rita Allred Petersen are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter, Linsey Kiku Abo to Frederick Gregory Betts III, son of Greg Betts and Callie Betts.

Linsey is a 2004 graduate of Burley High School. She attended University of Idaho in Moscow, graduating in May 2008 with a degree in Environmental Engineering. She is currently employed at CH2M Hill in Boise.

Gregory is a 2002 graduate of Burley High School. He attended Boise State, and currently works for



Linsey Kiku Abo and Frederick Betts III

Neuro Drink Distributing.

The marriage ceremony and reception will take place Friday, September 17th, 2010 at BanBury Golf Club in Eagle, Idaho.

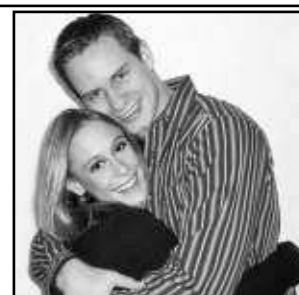
Following the honeymoon in Hawaii, the couple will reside in Boise, Idaho.

#### McFadden-Vyngaardt

Matt and Linda McFadden of Post Falls are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter, Melissa LeAnn McFadden to Nicolaas Jacobus Van Wyngaardt of Secunda, South Africa, son of Brian and Anne-Marie Van Wyngaardt of Secunda, South Africa.

Melissa graduated from Post Falls High School. She is currently attending University of Idaho where she studies horticulture and runs cross country and track.

Nico graduated from



Melissa McFadden and Nicolaas Van Wyngaardt

Troup County High School in La Grange, Georgia. He is currently pursuing his masters in architecture at the University of Idaho.

The wedding is planned for August 7th at the Salvation Army Kroc Center in Coeur d'Alene.

#### Moody-Bennett

The parents of Ellen Moody of Jerome are pleased to announce her engagement and forthcoming marriage to James B. Bennett of Shoshone.

Ellen Moody is the daughter of Susie Kelly of Jerome, Idaho, and Dave and Linda Moody of Boise, Idaho.

Ellen was employed by the Jerome School District and is currently employed by the Shoshone School District.

She is a 1999 graduate of Shirley High School in Shirley, Arkansas and a 2003 graduate of Arkansas State University.

James Bennett is the son of Mary Kay Bennett of Shoshone, Idaho, and the late Dale R. Bennett.



Ellen Moody and James Bennett

James is employed by the Idaho Transportation Department and was a 1995 graduate of Shoshone High School and a 1999 graduate of the College of Southern Idaho.

An August 14th wedding is being planned at Ascension Episcopal Church in Twin Falls, Idaho. The couple plans on residing in Shoshone.

#### Blass-Tucker

Roger and Korean Blass of Filer announce the engagement of their daughter Callie Blass to Travis Tucker, son of Larry and Anne Tucker of Twin Falls and Donna and Myron Ulrich of Twin Falls.

Callie is a 2006 graduate of Filer High School. She attends the College of Southern Idaho pursuing her degree in Elementary Education. She works for Macy's at the Clinique counter.

Travis is a 2004 graduate of Filer High School. He is a licensed electrical



Callie Blass and Travis Tucker

sign journeyman, certified welder and has a Class A CDL. He is employed at Jayco of Twin Falls.

The wedding is planned on August 7th, 2010 at the Blue Lakes Country Club with a reception to follow.

#### Gutknecht-Petersen

Rick and Debbie Gutknecht of Twin Falls announce the engagement of their daughter, Heather Gutknecht to Kaylan Petersen, son of Keith and Geri Petersen of Twin Falls.

Gutknecht is a graduate of Twin Falls High School and is attending the College of Southern Idaho in the Nursing program.

She is currently employed at Old Navy in Twin Falls.

Petersen is a graduate of Twin Falls High School and a graduate of WyoTech in Laramie, Wyoming.



Heather Gutknecht and Kaylan Petersen

He is employed at the Automotive Clinic in Twin Falls.

The wedding is planned for Saturday, August 7th, with a reception following. The couple will reside in Twin Falls.

#### Knight-Mai

Kathleen Knight and Aaron Mai of Spokane have announced their engagement and approaching wedding.

A 1999 graduate of Douglas High School and a 2006 graduate of Eastern Oregon University, the bride-to-be works for Skilskin and Target. She is the daughter of Thomas and Carol Knight of Winston.

The prospective groom is a 1996 graduate of Mountain Home High School. He now works for River-view Retirement Center and is the son of Randy and Melody Mai of La Grande.



Kathleen Knight and Aaron Mai

The wedding is planned for Aug. 21 in La Grande. Sally Weins will officiate. A reception will be held at the Union County Fairgrounds.

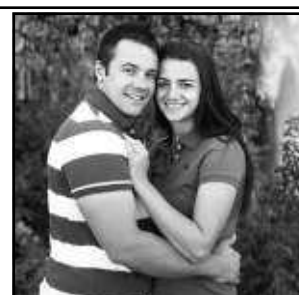
The couple will honeymoon in Disneyland and make their home in Spokane.

#### Rice-Clark

Larry and Brenda Rice of Gooding are pleased to announce the upcoming marriage of their daughter, Kathryn May Rice to Neil Robert Clark, son of Jeffrey and Laura Clark of Rupert.

Kathryn is a 2004 graduate of Gooding High School. She received her Education degree through the University of Idaho and has accepted a position at Valley Middle School beginning in the fall.

Neil is a 2003 graduate of Minico High School. He received his undergraduate in Accounting through the University of Idaho and a Master's of Taxation through the University of Denver. He is currently



Kathryn May Rice and Neil Robert Clark

employed at Eide Bailly LLP of Boise.

The wedding is scheduled for Saturday, August 7, 2010 at 5:00pm at the United Methodist Church in Gooding. A reception will be held in their honor at the Gooding Country Club immediately following the ceremony.

### Anniversaries

#### The Brunings

Boyde and Ruth Bruning of Twin Falls will be honored at an open house celebrating their 60th wedding anniversary. Friends and family are invited to attend Sunday August 8th from 4:00-6:00 p.m. at their home 800 Eastland Park Drive. The couple requests no gifts please.

Boyde Bruning and Ruth Garlinghouse were married August 6, 1950 in Longmont, Colorado. They lived and farmed in Longmont until 1972 when



Ruth and Boyde Bruning

they moved to a farm east of Jerome. They continued farming until their retirement in 1989 and moved to Twin Falls. They are the parents of 5 children, 19 grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren.

### THE LABYRINTH OF CAREGIVING

Here are the eight twist-and-turn stages of caregiving, from Gail Sheehy's book:

**Shock and mobilization:** The crisis hits. Your spouse is diagnosed with cancer or your dad has a heart attack. You spring into action, fueled by adrenaline. Emotions run rampant.

**The new normal:** You realize you have a new role: family caregiver. But you adjust and regain a sense of balance. It's time to try new activities and enjoy yourself.

**Boomerang:** Another setback occurs. The original illness recurs or complications from treatment ensue. It's time to call a family meeting and find a doctor who will serve as your "medical quarterback."

**Playing God:** You've seized control. You believe you're the only one who understands what your loved one needs. The problem: No one can control disease or aging. When things take a turn for the worse, you feel it's your fault.

**I can't do this anymore:** You burn out. It's time to call for help. If you haven't already done so, get other family, friends and neighbors involved. Consider hiring a geriatric care manager or home health aides.

**Coming back:** You realize your loved one is not going to recover. Sadness and reflection follow. It's time to begin letting go while beginning to think of preparing for a new life.

**The in-between stage:** Your loved one isn't sick enough to be in the hospital, but caring for him or her at home is a challenge. This stage can last for months or years. There is almost no support available.

**The long goodbye:** It's time to talk about your loved one's end-of-life goals. What kind of medical care does he or she want? What kind of spiritual contact? What kind of experiences will give life meaning at this point? Let your loved one be in charge.

### STORK REPORT

#### St. Luke's Magic Valley Medical Center

**Lydia Mitchell**, daughter of Cortney and Brandon Dell Mitchell of Rupert, was born July 18, 2010.

**Kason Ray Merrick**, son of Nicole Leanne Devalera and Joel Ray Merrick of Kimberly, was born July 20, 2010.

**Justin Isaac Baker and Jeremiah Liam Baker**, twin sons of Shyla Cecilia and Jonathon Ray Baker of Jerome, were born July 20, 2010.

**Payton Jo Pereira**, son of Shilo Elizabeth and Joshua Ryan Pereira of Twin Falls, was born July 20, 2010.

**Ruby Michelle Starr**, daughter of Amy Michelle and Robert James Starr Jr. of Twin Falls, was born July 20, 2010.

**Dallin John Rossow**, son of Jessica Marie Harris and Joshua John Rossow of Gooding, was born July 21, 2010.

**Tenley Ann Gregersen**, daughter of Traci and Zachary J. Gregersen of Filer, was born July 21, 2010.

**Fabian Rubio Thompson**, son of Meagan Belle Thompson and Ricardo Rubio Castaneda of Twin Falls, was born July 22, 2010.

**Laurel Nicole Kelso**, daughter of Ondrea Nicole and Ryan Hal Kelso of Twin Falls, was born July 22, 2010.

**Tristan Valentin Luna Martinez**, son of Angelica Martinez Garcia and Ramiro San Fernando Luna Alvarado of Jerome, was born July 23, 2010.

**Eadon Lee Marshall**, son of Jennifer Lynnette and Jodey Lee Marshall of Twin Falls, was born July 23, 2010.

**Niyati Renee Espinosa**, daughter of Nicole Niyati Renee and Eric Marcus James Espinosa of Twin Falls, was born July 24, 2010.



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# Kids Only



## In 'Orion,' a girl learns life lessons

By Moira E. McLaughlin  
The Washington Post

"Chasing Orion," by Kathryn Lasky; 362 pages; published by Candlewick Press; recommended for age 10 and older.

Lasky is the author of more than 100 (!) books for kids and adults, including the very popular fantasy series "The Guardians of Ga'hoole." But her newest story deals with life issues that real kids face and not the struggles of battling owl clans.

As "Chasing Orion" begins, it's the summer of 1952 in Indiana, and 11-year-old Georgie is not allowed to go to the pool or the movies because there's an outbreak of a disease called polio. New to the neighborhood, the creative and curious girl becomes slightly obsessed with polio, and every day she reads the newspaper to learn about new cases.

When Georgie discovers that her neighbor, Phyllis, has the disease and lives in a machine called an iron lung, which helps her breathe, Georgie is shocked and intrigued. She and her older brother, Emmett, befriend the pretty, flirtatious Phyllis, who must live lying down with her head and neck sticking out of the big iron cylinder. Life, Georgie realizes, is unfair.

Meanwhile, Georgie's new friend Evelyn is weird and slightly embarrassing, all of Georgie's old friends live far away and the summer is hot and boring. Georgie passes the time by making a diorama of the constellation Orion and looking at the stars through a telescope.

Georgie becomes engrossed and a little haunted by Phyllis, and she and Evelyn start to sneak across the lawn to spy on Emmett and Phyllis. As Georgie tries to figure the sick girl out and Emmett starts to fall for her, Georgie becomes more wary of Phyllis' intentions.

The book is told in the first person by Georgie, a fun, imaginative girl. But the book is also about Georgie and her relationship with her older brother, who is growing up and moving away from her.

### YOU MIGHT ALSO LIKE ...

• If you liked "Chasing Orion," you may also like "Turtle in Paradise," by Jennifer L. Holm. It's 1935, and a tough girl named Turtle moves away from her mother to live with relatives in Florida. Everything is different about her new home, including (as time goes by) Turtle and her perceptions of reality. Age 10 and older.

• Younger readers may enjoy "Philippa Fisher's Fairy Godsisiter," by Liz Kessler. Philippa is a clever and lively girl who is miserable: Her best friend moves away and her parents embarrass her. Then one day she discovers a little magic in her life when she meets a fairy named Daisy, who offers her three wishes. The problem is Daisy and Philippa don't exactly get along. Magic meets the daily trials of junior high in this first of two books. Age 8 and older.

## In 'Batboy,' a kid grows up, on and off the field

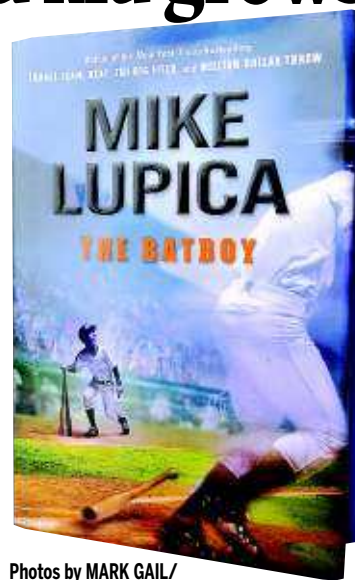
By Moira E. McLaughlin  
The Washington Post

"The Batboy," by Mike Lupica, published by Philomel Books, 246 pages, recommended for age 10 and older.

Fourteen-year-old Brian Dudley loves baseball. He loves playing it. He loves watching it. He loves (and knows) all the statistics about it. So when he gets to be the batboy for the Detroit Tigers for the summer, he is more than excited. The baseball park feels like home to him.

Then when his favorite player, Hank Bishop, returns to baseball to play for the Tigers after being suspended for steroid use, Brian is beside himself. If only Hank were nice to him.

The book is full of play-by-play



Photos by MARK GAIL/  
Washington Post

about the Tigers and the Sting, Brian's travel baseball team. Brian's best friend, Kenny, plays

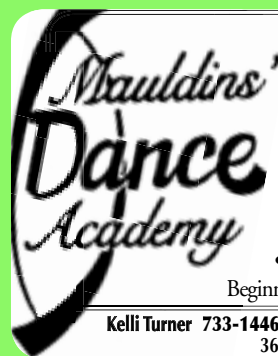
baseball, too, and the two boys love to talk about the sport. The action and the dialogue are very realistic, as you would expect from Mike Lupica, who in addition to writing other sports books for kids, is a sports columnist for the New York Daily News and a commentator on ESPN.

Brian is passionate about baseball, but he also longs for his absent father's attention. His dad is a former big league baseball player who lives far away. When his dad shows up to visit for a few days, Brian realizes his dad will never be the father he longs for. Brian falls into a slump and then so does Hank. The two baseball players recover, though, and realize they may have more in common, and more in their lives, than baseball.

### YOU MIGHT ALSO LIKE ...

• "Soccer Team Upset" by Fred Bowen. Seventh-grader Tyler remains loyal to his team, the Cougars, even after his best friend, Zack, deserts them for an elite travel team, the Panthers. For soccer lovers, the book details the ups and downs of the Cougars' season, as well as the boys' friendship. Win or lose, however, Tyler continues to believe that "anything can happen in one soccer game. And in one play." Age 7 and older.

• Younger readers might like "The Batboy and His Violin," by Gavin Curtis and illustrated by E.B. Lewis, about a boy named Reginald growing up in 1948, the son of a baseball manager in the Negro National League. Reginald's dad wants him to be a batboy, but Reginald prefers the violin over baseball. His dad soon discovers that Reginald may have his own unique gifts to give the team. Age 6 and older.



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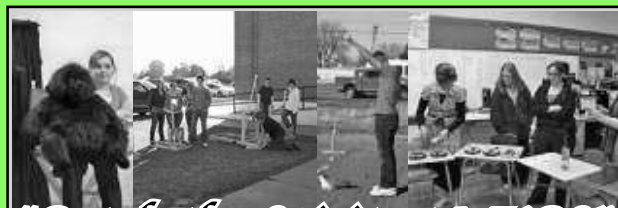
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