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Twin Falls Canal Co. employee David Humphrey measures water flow and pressure on a double head gate for irrigation Thursday near Twin Falls.

Magic Valley groups work together to preserve water

By Laura Lundquist
Times-News writer

A drop of water that balanced on a rose petal turned the world upside down as Mary Garrett gazed at it before clipping the stem.

As she lifted the rose, the drop rolled off and landed in her groomed front lawn. The sprinklers had been on overnight and the grass wetted her shoes as she walked.

"It would be great if roses lasted," Garrett said. "I love the scents. Some don't smell, but they're beautiful."

As Garrett strolled the garden at the side of her Shoshone home, she tried to figure out if she should adjust her sprinklers.

"Roses need water, but not too much," Garrett said, examining the blossoms.

Plants that don't need much water are at an advantage in southern Idaho. Standing in Garrett's established neighborhood, surrounded by houses with green lawns shaded by towering leafy trees, it's difficult to tell that Shoshone is in a desert. But the water that helps the town center resemble a Vermont hamlet isn't free, and it isn't necessarily guaranteed.

City water providers

While some homeowners assume water will always be there when they turn on the sprinkler, other people work to make sure that's the case for as long as possible.

Aaron Aggeler is one of those

WHAT'S TO COME

Read Monday's *Times-News* for an update on the water picture this fall.



LAURA LUNDQUIST/Times-News

Shoshone's 79,000-gallon tower is undersized. The city is looking into buying a bigger one, but budget constraints prevent a purchase in the near future.

people. As Shoshone's water department manager, he knows the town's water from the ground up.

As with many U.S. towns, most of Shoshone's water is pumped from deep within a well to high within a tower. Along the way, water is funneled to the town's neighborhoods. Some think water comes from the tower, and sometimes it does. But Aggeler explained that the tower is there mainly to save energy.

Without the tower, the well pumps would have to work con-



Twin Falls Canal Co. employee David Humphrey measures water flow and pressure on a double head gate Thursday near Twin Falls.

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INSIDE

Expand your vocabulary with these water terms.

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stantly to supply water. They would use more power — pump bills are high anyway — and burn out quicker.

As it is, the pumps work until the tower is full. Then they turn off and gravity goes to work, draining water from the tower as people use it. When the water drops to a certain level in the tower, the cycle starts over.

Shoshone's original water tower collapsed in 1943, and Aggeler said old-timers told

him it was replaced with a tower from Chicago. But choosing a water tower follows a Goldilocks-and-the-three-bears rule, so not just any will do.

The tower has to hold the right amount of water. Aggeler said if it holds too little, the pumps work more than they should; if it holds too much, the water sits too long in the tower and can breed bacteria. The benefit of using groundwater is that it doesn't contain bacteria, so cities don't have to install filtration systems.

Shoshone's 79,000-gallon tower is undersized. The city is

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Memories of Katrina still vivid in Mississippi

By Melissa M. Scallan
McClatchy Newspapers

BILOXI, Miss. — Robert Latham spent Saturday, Aug. 27, 2005, riding along U.S. 90 from Jackson County to Hancock County along Mississippi's Gulf Coast, marveling at the number of people grilling, swimming and playing volleyball on the beach. They seemed oblivious to the monster storm that churned in the Gulf of Mexico, headed their way.

Latham, the director of the Mississippi Emergency Management Agency, and other emergency officials monitored the hurricane advisories and knew Mississippi likely would take a big hit. What they didn't know was how much of the coast would be wiped away in an eight-hour span.

"I will never forget coming along 90 on Saturday, and it was almost as if it were just another holiday weekend," he said. "People were on the beach, and I remember seeing parties and bonfires and I thought this thing was setting up to be another Camille."

Katrina wasn't Camille, the legendary Category 5 hurricane that devastated the Gulf Coast in 1969. It was worse. The winds were a strong Category 3, but the storm surge topped 30 feet in some places, crushing tens of thousands of houses, churches and businesses and covering many more with water.

In all, Katrina killed 1,833 people in five states, including 168 in the three Mississippi coastal counties and 231 statewide. It's considered one of the worst natural disasters ever to hit the United States. While most of the nation's attention in the aftermath of the storm focused on New Orleans — whose levees collapsed after Katrina

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Bird's-eye view rewards T.F. cadets

By Laura Lundquist
Times-News writer

Saturday morning chores are usually tedious, especially for a teenager. But it's amazing how fast the grass gets cut or how brightly the windows sparkle when the reward is an airplane ride across southern Idaho.

Civil Air Patrol pilots flew three Cessna airplanes into the Twin Falls airport Saturday morning to give orientation rides to area cadets. The event was organized by Boise CAP pilot Nick Marsh, who said that Twin Falls cadets hadn't received CAP rides in more than four years so their time had come.

The uniformed cadets gathered at the airport's CAP building before the first airplane arrived at 8 a.m., and passed the time watching airplane videos and sharing a breakfast of pancakes and eggs. Cadet Ken Marshall was busy pinning patches and a name tag on a new camouflage shirt that had arrived just in time for its maiden voyage. As the Buhl High School sophomore shrugged into the pressed uniform, he was too excited to care that the safety pins didn't quite secure the bits of material.

CAP Capt. Richard Powell said 12 out of 18 cadets had put in enough work, studying aerospace concepts, flight maneuvers and airplane safety, to

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Former Castleford school employee accused of stealing thousands

By Bradley Guire
Times-News writer

A former secretary with the Castleford School District is accused of embezzling nearly \$35,000 in district funds over a three-year period.

The state recently filed a criminal complaint against

Brenda Thompson, an 18-year employee of the district, on the charge of felony grand theft.

According to district Superintendent Andy Wiseman, Thompson resigned in March 2009.

A call to a number listed for Thompson went unanswered Friday afternoon.

A police report filed in Twin Falls County states that a 2009 district audit found that Thompson paid herself \$18,800 more than her salary as approved by the school district board of directors while she handled payroll and accounts receivable. In addition, another

\$16,000 was lost due to other

fees, charges, overpayments and inaccurate payments. Authorities were notified by the school in December.

"At this point, we've left it up to the criminal investigation," said Glenn Eastman, chairman of the school district board.

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MORNING BRIEFING

Pat's Picks

Three things to do today

Pat Marcantonio



• The Bannock County Bluegrass Festival continues from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. at the Bannock County Fairgrounds, 10560 N. Fairgrounds Road in Pocatello. Tickets are \$10.

• On your way up or back, stop at Massacre Rocks State Park. There are trails, as well as history and a breathtaking view of the Snake River.

• Meanwhile, in the other direction, the Sawtooth Salmon Festival celebrates Idaho's sockeye from

10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the town center park in Stanley, off of Idaho Highway 21. There'll be tours of wild chinook and sockeye salmon spawning beds, kids activities, storytelling, arts and crafts booths, traditional Shoshone-Bannock tribal dancers and music. Activities are free.

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



MCT photo

Beth Stump comforts her 9-week-old daughter, Breanna, as they wait for supplies from the Salvation Army on Aug. 31, 2005, in Biloxi, Miss. On Aug. 29, 2005, Hurricane Katrina made landfall and battered the Gulf coast, killing 1,833 people in five states.

Katrina

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passed, drowning the city and unleashing death and devastation — Mississippi took most of the hurricane's fury, with entire towns reduced to little more than piles of rubble.

Its fury did not discriminate. Katrina killed young and old, rich and poor. The oldest Mississippi victim was 96-year-old Pearl Frazier of Biloxi. She couldn't leave the home her late husband had built on Back Bay in the 1970s. The youngest known victim in Mississippi was 2-year-old Matthew Tart of Pass Christian. The 20-foot storm surge overtook the home he lived in on Lorraine Avenue.

Katrina took four members of one family — the Banes of Waveland. The family — Edgar, 48, Christina, 45, Edgar Jr., 15 and Carl, 13 — all died when their home on Rue De La Salle washed away.

Five years have passed

since the day that changed the Coast forever. This area is rebuilding, although more slowly than residents and officials would like. Insurance costs have skyrocketed, making it impossible for some home and business owners to rebuild along the beach.

But there are signs of progress. The bridges linking Biloxi to Ocean Springs and Pass Christian to Bay St. Louis were rebuilt within two years of the storm, and most people who relocated temporarily are back.

Emergency officials hope people who were on the Coast for Katrina learned the lessons the storm brought with it. When Latham was the director of MEMA, he kept a book on his desk about Hurricane Camille. He doesn't have one about Katrina, but he's thinking of writing one.

"I don't think the general public outside of the Mississippi Gulf Coast knows the real story," he said. "I pull out my notes and look at them occasionally. Those notes keep me grounded."

TODAY'S HAPPENINGS

ARTS AND ENTERTAINMENT

"A Midsummer's Night Dream," comedy play presented by Sun Valley Shakespeare Festival, 6 p.m., Forest Service Park, First and Washington Streets, Ketchum, \$20 for adults, free for children 12 and younger, 726-4TKS.

CHURCH EVENTS

"Fiesta Days" as part of the August Days

Celebration, hosted by Grace Community Church, 10 a.m., 100 N. Meridian, Rupert, features a Mexican food, no cost, 436-3790.

MUSEUMS

Rock Creek Station and Stricker home-site, guided tours, 1 to 4 p.m., at 3715 E. 3200 N., 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 by e-mail at 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.

Some frank talk about, well, Frank

A week from Monday is Buhl Day in Hermitage, Pa. There will be music, kids' games, a petting zoo and pony rides, a classic car "cruise in," children's theater and — "I'm not making this up — "Buhl Mermaids" at the city pool.

All of it in honor of Frank H. Buhl, the Pennsylvania steel magnate without whom we'd be having this conversation in the Manhattan Cafe in Shoshone right now.

Alas, there is no Frank Buhl day in, well, Buhl.

Worse, the French film distribution company that's financing the release of Buhl native Jaffe Zinn's first movie, Buhl, Idaho, persuaded Zinn to change the picture's name to Magic Valley (starring, among others, Scott Glenn of The Right Stuff and Silence of the Lambs and Matthew Gray Gubler who plays uber-geek Dr.

YOU DON'T SAY

Steve Crump



Spencer Reid in CBS' Criminal Minds). Seems the French have a hard time pronouncing Buhl: It comes out "Bool" instead.

In 1914, there was an election to create Buhl County in Twin Falls County's west end. It lost by a margin of 4-to-1.

There's a great big monument to Buhl in Sharon, Pa. — Frank's hometown — but not you-know-where. And one day last week I stopped 15 people walking down Broadway Avenue and asked if they knew for whom the city was named.

Zilch. Our man Frank gets no respect hereabouts.

Look, all he did was pony up the cash in 1903 to keep

our founding father I.B. Perrine and his Twin Falls South Side Project afloat. Without Buhl, there would be no Buhl — or Twin Falls, Filer, Kimberly, Castleford, Hansen or Murtaugh, for that matter. (Not that he couldn't afford it; the year before Buhl sold his Sharon, Pa., steelworks to Andrew Carnegie).

Buhl always said that he believed spending money when he made it; shoot, in 1909 he paid \$100,000 — \$2.3 million in today's dollars — to get his kidnapped nephew back. Before he died, Frank gave 500 acres to his hometown that includes a lake, a swimming pool, tennis courts and a free nine-hole golf course.

Not that he didn't make money off the Idaho land deal, but Buhl didn't have to invest out here in Rockchuck Acres. He could have bought, say, Scotland instead.

Frank was a captain of

industry who would have liked to be remembered for the steel girders he manufactured. Instead, his name is mostly associated with trout.

Better recognition is overdue. Here are my thoughts:

• Order 10,000 ballpoint pens with Frank's picture on them and give them out to shoppers at Ridley's.

• Change the name of Buhl High to Frank High.

• Make each of Buhl's 4,109 citizens wear an "I love Frank" T-shirt during Sagebrush Days.

• Every May 9 — Buhl's birthday — oblige everybody in town to eat franks.

• Compel each resident to pass a quiz about Frank Buhl. Anybody who flunks has to move to Rogerson.

Come on, Buhl: Can't we be Frank with each other?

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

Citizens speak out about Burley's \$24.5M budget

By Laurie Welch
Times-News writer

BURLEY — Burley officials answered a bevy of questions about the city's proposed \$24.5 million fiscal year 2011 budget during a Tuesday public hearing.

The City Council will vote on the proposed budget during its Sept. 7 meeting. The city's general fund budget would be just shy of \$5.4 million, and for the second year in a row, the budget does not include raises for city employees.

"I'm asking you to give our city employees a pay raise," said city property owner Jim Bryant.

Bryant asked the council for a roll-call vote so he could see who was in favor

of pay raises and who was against them, but no vote was taken.

"Do you know what the future has in store?" Councilman Vaughn Egan asked Bryant. Egan said council members didn't know what the future held, which is the reason they chose not to pursue employee raises.

Burley resident John Walsh peppered the city council with 14 questions on topics ranging from health-insurance coverage for city administrators to who's cleaning City Hall.

Walsh asked why \$48,000 was budgeted for health insurance for the City Council when some members aren't signed up to receive the benefits.

City Administrator Mark

Mitton said the city budgets \$12,000 per employee for health insurance, regardless of whether they are enrolled in the city's plan. If they aren't enrolled, they can receive reimbursement for up to that amount for medical expenses.

Walsh also asked why \$9,000 was budgeted for administrative cleaning services.

City Clerk Melanie Haynes said the money is paid to a company called D&M Marketing.

Mitton said the company hires one city employee and one person not affiliated with the city to clean City Hall each day.

The council budgeted \$15,000 for the Burley Area Action Team flower-pot project, the same as what

was set aside for it this year.

The city expects to receive \$48,500 in revenue from its swimming pool, but expects pool costs to increase by \$8,136 to \$104,088.

Other items budgeted for the coming fiscal year, which begins Oct. 1, include an increase of nearly \$10,000 for contracted cemetery services and a \$1,500 increase in fuel costs after the city took over cemetery mowing this year. Contracted parks and recreation services will increase by \$55,000 for the same reasons, with fuel costs increasing by \$3,200.

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John William Vinson



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Castleford

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"We're going to wait and see if it goes to trial. Whether or not we collect anything depends on that."

According to the report, Thompson declined to be interviewed in April by investigators with the Twin Falls County Sheriff's

Office. She allegedly told the investigator "that an insurance company was attempting to sue her for moneys lost at the Castleford School District, and Andy Wiseman does not have a leg to stand on."

Eastman confirmed that the district's insurance company, CAN, is

seeking money from Thompson.

The criminal complaint was filed Aug. 19. A preliminary hearing for Thompson is scheduled for Sept. 3.

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Cadets

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qualify for Saturday's flight. Four of those cadets have been waiting longer than a year. The rest are fairly new; some have joined in just the past few months.

Many of the senior members are also new. Fifteen adults, all volunteers, now belong to the Twin Falls CAP, some of whom have no flight experience.

"The group used to be fairly strong but we lost some senior members and the older cadets moved on," Powell said. "Because our funding comes from sponsors and donations, we fell short for a few years."

Powell said the recent growth in both senior and cadet members resulted from a few adults getting out and "rattling the bushes."

The three airplanes had to be recruited from the CAP units in Burley, Boise and Nampa. Powell said a squadron needs to have eight to 12 cadets before it is assigned an airplane, which is why it's been so long since the cadets received a flight



Civil Air Patrol cadets listen to instruction before taking to the air Saturday morning at the Twin Falls airport.



Photos by DREW NASH/Times-News
Capt. Jeff Heins goes through pre-flight checks with Technical Sgt. Laura Wheeler and her older brother Senior Master Sgt. Nathan Wheeler, not shown, of the Civil Air Patrol before they take to the skies Saturday morning.

and why he hopes their numbers continue to grow.

"My goal is to eventually get an airplane in Twin Falls," Marsh said.

Siblings Nathan and Laura Wheeler were all business as they accompanied Burley pilot Jeff Heins out to the airplane for their ride. Laura rode shotgun with Nathan in the back for the hour ride to Burley and they switched on the flight back.

Both trailed Heins closely as he explained the steps of

the preflight inspection, then it was time to get in and start the engine. A Boise cadet waited in front of the plane until they were ready to taxi and then he marshaled them onto the taxiway and gave a smart salute.

The airplanes could take only six cadets for the first round of flights so the others were put to work at the CAP building while they waited for their chance. Cadet Gabriella Ibarra washed the outside of the building in her

new uniform. The Wendell High School junior joined a few months ago and was excited to already be flying.

"My grandfather was in the Air Force," Ibarra said. "When I grow up, I want to be a pilot."

Squadron commander Robin Wells said CAP is not just about flying. Cadets can

participate in several special programs, including survival, communications and aviation business. But as with the orientation flights, cadets have to put in the time and effort to qualify for the programs.

"These kids have to learn to do things according to

regulations, which most haven't had to do," Wells said. "They go through an attitudinal change, and when they walk out the door, they're a lot better."

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Rupert adopts new budget

By Coreen Hart
Times-News correspondent

RUPERT — Rupert officials have spent weeks assembling a new budget for fiscal year 2011. The final \$19.7 million version holds a few surprises, both pro and con.

The police department budget of \$906,454 is nearly \$43,000 lower than expenditures in the current year — largely due to \$35,000 in grants for seat belt safety, driving under the influence enforcement and overtime.

The fire department budget fell \$5,000 from \$157,043 to \$152,713. Police Chief Larry Pool retired in August after four decades with the department, and his replacement will start at a lower salary. Pool will be honored at an open house Sept. 15 at City Hall.

The city's Parks and Recreation budget will grow

a little more than \$10,000 to \$288,130, still much larger than its 2009 budget of \$136,627. The new allocation includes more money for park maintenance, which was combined with the recreation department in 2009 and prompted the budget jump.

Administrative costs jumped from \$508,564 to \$535,975. The swimming pool rose \$2,000 to \$102,502.

The wastewater budget grew due to construction of a second sewage treatment plant phase, costing \$5,362.

City employees received a 3 percent cost of living increase.

Revenues have fallen slightly over the past year in several categories, including sales tax, grants not applied for and state highway funds. Electrical and other service rates have gone up because the city is

paying more for them. "I believe it is a conservative budget," said Colleen Severson, city budget and finance director.

One resident, Fred Padden, told the council he didn't like to see the recreation budget go up when distressed people are already having trouble paying their power bills. Padden said he has been threatened with disconnect because his bill is \$20 in arrears. Councilman James Bowers suggested Padden see whether he qualifies for the circuit-breaker program in order to receive a discount.

In other news, the Mini-Cassia Veterans Association received approval for its lease of the former Pershing Intermediate School.

The group also sought approval of its annual POW-MIA celebration, set for Sept. 17 on the Rupert Square.

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Dr. Jill Adepoju Joins Magic Valley Spine & Joint

Dr. Jill was born and raised in Twin Falls, Idaho where she graduated as a Twin Falls Bruin in 2003. She then became a Wolf Pack at the University of Nevada, Reno and studied Health Ecology for four years. From Reno, Dr. Jill moved to the bay area and enrolled at Life Chiropractic College West in Hayward, California. She studied there for three years and earned her Doctorate in Chiropractic. Dr. Jill is newly married and she and her husband have finally made their way back to the Magic Valley. Dr. Jill is excited to be serving her community and working as a chiropractor at Magic Valley Spine & Joint. She is Webster Certified which is a specific technique for pregnant women. Dr. Jill specializes in pregnancy, women, children, and families. Dr. Jill has a gentle touch and is now accepting new patients.

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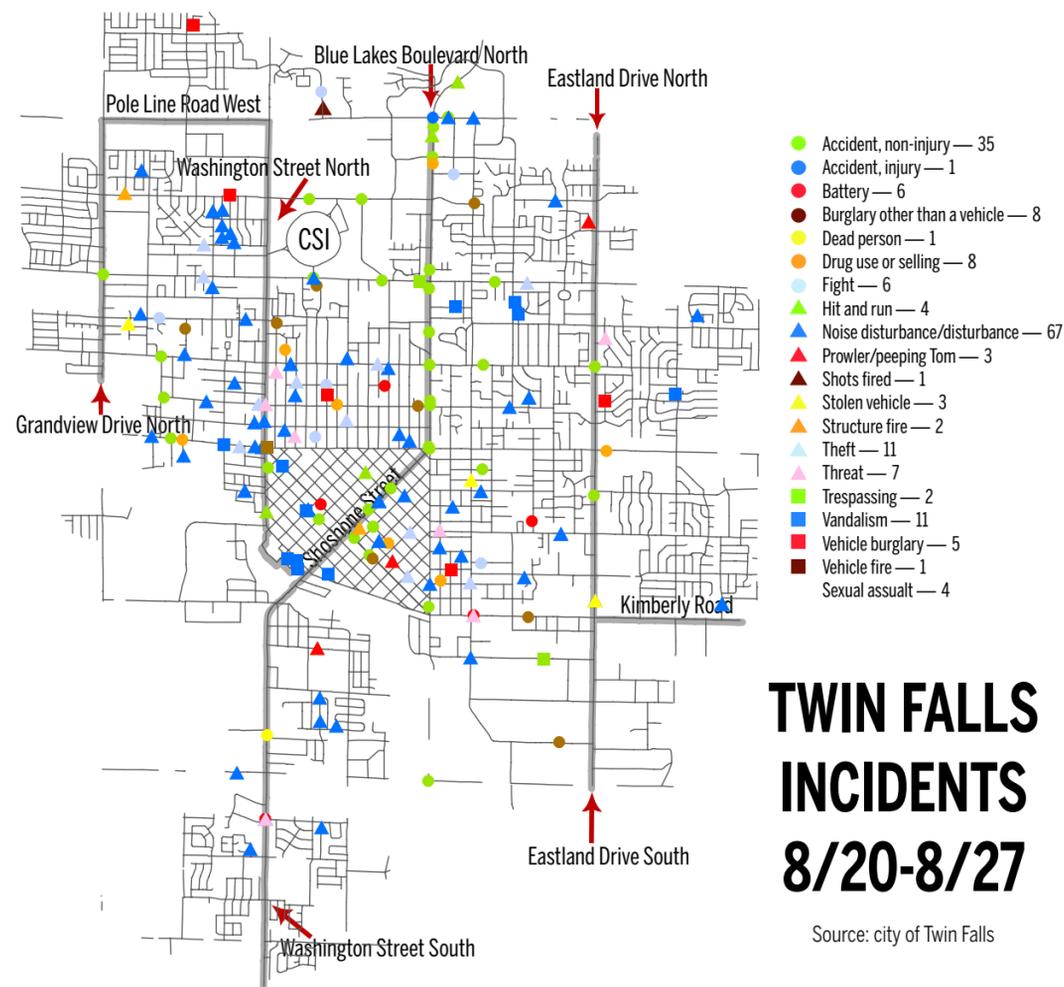
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5TH DISTRICT COURT NEWS

CASSIA COUNTY FELONY SENTENCINGS

William Thomas Scott Jr., 46; delivery of controlled substance, found guilty at trial. Konstantina Giokas, 39; grand theft, \$375.50 costs, \$3,984.81 restitution, two to eight years prison, 171 days credited, retained jurisdiction; driving without privileges, dismissed on motion of prosecutor. Konstantina Giokas, 39; possession of controlled substance with intent to manufacture or deliver, \$1,000 fine suspended, \$415.50 costs, \$2,350 restitution, three to eight years prison, 169 days credited, retained jurisdiction, penitentiary suspended.

MINIDOKA COUNTY FELONY SENTENCINGS

Michael Shawn Lazenby, 33; possession of controlled substance (misdemeanor) amended to possession of controlled substance (felony), \$90.50 costs, four years probation, two

to seven years prison, retained jurisdiction; possession of drug paraphernalia with intent to use amended to possession of controlled substance, dismissed by prosecutor; possession of drug paraphernalia with intent to use, dismissed by prosecutor; probation violation, 221 days credited, as condition of probation 30 days jail time to be served on weekends for next 15 weekends; three counts probation violation, retained jurisdiction.

Jose Tapia Lopez, 22; delivery of controlled substance, \$915.50 costs, \$100 restitution, three to 12 years prison, 143 days credited, retained jurisdiction; delivery of controlled substance, dismissed on motion of prosecutor.

Roberto A. Soliz, 38; driving without privileges amended to driving under the influence (felony), \$1,020.50 costs, driver's license suspended five years, two to eight years prison, 90 days credited, retained jurisdiction;

driving without privileges, dismissed on motion of prosecutor.

FELONY DISMISSALS

Paul K. Aston, 58; grand theft, dismissed by court. Korie Lee Clemens, 28; three counts theft by receiving, possessing or disposing of stolen property, dismissed on motion of prosecutor; unlawful possession of weapon by convicted felon, dismissed on motion of prosecutor.

DRIVING UNDER THE INFLUENCE SENTENCINGS

Katherina B. Edwards, 53; driving under the influence amended to driving under the influence (excessive), \$200 fine, \$690.50 costs, driver's license suspended 180 days, 24 months probation, 180 days jail, 178 suspended, one credited, two days other time, two days McWork in lieu of jail; probation violation, dismissed on motion of prosecutor.

Gilbert Boteo Salinas, 56; driving under the influence, \$300 fine, \$132.50 costs, \$100 restitution, driver's license suspended 180 days, 24 months probation, 180 days jail, 178 suspended, two credited; driving offense, \$100 restitution, 180 days jail suspended.

Benjamin Shane Loveless, 20; driving under the influence (under age 21), \$300 fine, \$184.50 costs, driver's license suspended 365 days; driving without privileges amended to driving without privileges (third offense), \$500 fine, \$152.50 costs, driver's license suspended two years, 18 months probation, 180 days jail, 150 suspended; contempt of court, four days jail credited.

Mark Andreasen, 45; driving under the influence, withheld disposition.

5TH DISTRICT COURT NEWS

TWIN FALLS COUNTY FELONY SENTENCINGS

Michael S. West, 23, Twin Falls; delivery of a controlled substance, five years penitentiary, three determinate, two indeterminate, three years probation, \$1,200 fine, \$750 suspended, \$165.50 costs, \$500 public defender fee, 100 hours community service, \$996.73 restitution.

Kimber J. Marston, 34, Twin Falls; possession of methamphetamine, five years penitentiary determined, \$110.50 costs, \$1,800.27 restitution. Melanie R. Homan, 31, Buhl; forgery, withheld judgment granted for two years, two years probation, \$1,000 fine suspended.

FELONY DISMISSALS

Jeffery R. Koepnick, 47, Twin Falls; grand theft by possession, dismissed by state.

DRIVING UNDER THE INFLUENCE SENTENCINGS

Misti D. Hollander, 43, Twin Falls; driving under the influence, \$1,000 fine, \$600 suspended, \$182.50 costs, 180 days jail, 170 suspended, one credited, driving privileges suspended 90 days, 18 months probation, no alcohol.

Joseph R. Lobo Sr., 40, Buhl; driving under the influence, \$700 fine, \$400 suspended, \$132.50 costs, \$75 public defender fee, 90 days jail, 80 suspended, one credited, nine days house arrest, driving privileges suspended 90 days, 12 months probation, no alcohol. David W. Horton, 43, Twin Falls; driving under the influence, amended to second offense, \$1,000 fine, \$500 suspended, \$182.50 costs, \$75 public defender fee, 365 days jail, 355 suspended, one credited, driving privileges suspended 365 days, 12 months probation, no alcohol.

Ronald Lockwood, 34, Eden; driving under the influence, amended to driving under the influence, \$1,000 fine, \$700 suspended, \$182.50 costs, 180 days jail, 170 suspended, two credited, driving privileges suspended 90 days, 18 months probation, no alcohol.

CHILD SUPPORT CASES

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of Health and Welfare, Child Support Services has filed claims against the following: Ronald R. Bowman. Seeking establishment for child support and Medicaid reimbursement: \$402 monthly support plus 64 percent of medical expenses not covered by insurance, provide medical insurance, \$1,273.92 birth costs, 64 percent of any work-related day care expenses.

Tracy L. Parks. Seeking establishment for consolidation and child support: \$597 monthly support plus 67 percent of medical expenses not covered by insurance, provide medical insurance, 67 percent of any work-related day care expenses. Morgan Lewis. Seeking establishment for foster care support: had ability to pay \$169 monthly support, \$422.50 foster care expenses and child support reimbursement.

DIVORCES FILED

Stephanie D. Rose Eskelsen vs. Benjamin D. Eskelsen. Renee M. Chandler vs. Glenn L. Chandler. Tricia J. Connell vs. Michael L. Connell. Kristy Glassett vs. Joseph Glassett. Katie M. Bullen vs. Nicholas A. Bullen. Joshua D. Vaughan vs. Stormi D. Vaughan. Coral P.P. Garcia vs. Francisco H. Rubalcava. Debroah Gutierrez vs. Roberto Gutierrez. Jenny N. Schenkel vs. Shawn L. Schenkel.

CITY OF TWIN FALLS DRIVING UNDER THE INFLUENCE SENTENCINGS

Annalee Lowe, 22, Richfield; driving under the influence, \$700 fine, \$400 suspended, \$182.50 costs, 90 days jail, 80 suspended, two credited, eight days house arrest, driving privileges suspended 90 days, 12 months probation, no alcohol.

Inmates grumble, but M-C jail saving with new food service

By Laurie Welch
Times-News writer

BURLEY — Ask a jailer to list inmates' favorite pastimes, and one option will invariably surface — complaining.

Inmates at the Mini-Cassia Criminal Justice Center in Burley have started grumbling about their chow after the lockup changed its food-service contractor.

But jail Director Rob Neiwert told Cassia County commissioners on Monday that he thinks the new arrangement with ABL Management Inc., of Baton Rouge, La., is working out well.

"I have been in charge of quality control for the last couple of weeks," Neiwert said. "It doesn't look like it used to but it tastes fine. It's kind of like when you were a kid and got home from school and were hungry. I'm hungry when I get home from work."

Neiwert said meal por-

tions tend to be a little smaller because they are now weighed.

"Instead of a big scoop-full, and it was probably a heaping scoop, now it's weighed," Neiwert said. "But our commissary sales are up."

The switch to ABL was made on Aug. 2 and went smoothly, Neiwert said during a Monday phone interview.

"I was really impressed," he said. "They are doing a fantastic job."

Cost savings from the switch from handling food service in-house to ABL were originally estimated at \$25,000 per year, but under the new contract Neiwert said he expects to see a yearly savings of \$70,000.

The jail previously paid \$1.61 per inmate meal, based on a daily inmate population of 147, and paid wages for one kitchen employee. Under the ABL contract, the cost per meal ranges from \$1.06 to \$1.14, while ABL supplies three

full-time kitchen workers.

Neiwert said that on Monday there were 159 inmates in the jail — 78 from Cassia County, 44 from Minidoka County and 37 from a combination of state, immigration and U.S. Marshal holds.

In other jail news, Deputy Director Russ Rasmussen said the facility currently has four vacant employee positions, adding that it typically sees yearly turnover of about 10 employees.

County Prosecutor Al Barrus said county officials thought that turnover would decrease after the county increased jail employees' starting wages, but it remains about the same.

County Commissioner Clay Handy suggested that perhaps an exit poll should be developed to find out why employees are leaving.

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Digital TV comes to Burley, Malta areas

Times-News

Idaho Public Television engineers are working to complete the installation of equipment at Burley and Malta translators by the end of August that will provide a digital television signal to the area.

"Viewers who receive an over-the-air signal in the Burley-Rupert and Malta areas need to complete the conversion to digital television. They need either a television with a digital tuner or a set-top box for an analog TV," said Rich Van

Genderan, director of Idaho Public Television in a press release.

After the conversion they will need to scan for the new signal, which will be seen as channel 13, but will be divided into four sub-channels, each offering different programming. The conversion will provide sharp images when the digital signal begins, Van Genderan said.

An antenna with UHF capability will still be needed to capture the signal.

A translator on Old Beacon Hill southeast of

Burley will send a digital signal to an area that includes Burley, Heyburn, Rupert and Paul. The signal will provide four digital channels in place of the traditional single analog channel, according to the press release.

The digital signal will appear on digital television sets and digital set-top boxes as channel 13 and will replace analog channel 14.

Engineers are also changing the equipment on Cottrell Mountain that will cover Malta and Albion. It will appear as channel 13 as well.

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Fiesta success

Food, fun and games draw crowd at Saturday event

By Blair Koch
Times-News correspondent

BUHL — With any luck, Buhl's first Mexican Fiesta will become an annual event.

The growing Latino population in Buhl has needed such an event for years, said Joe Gonzales, as he flipped chicken and corn cobs over an open grill at the event Saturday.

"I really hope this event succeeds," he said. "This is a very traditional event held all over Mexico. Surrounding towns have similar fiestas, and in Buhl we really should take advantage of the many resources available and celebrate our culture."

The event was open to the community, but Gonzales said he wasn't surprised that only a few non-Latinos attended.

It makes sense, said Manuel Yruegas of Filer, because many Latinos aren't comfortable attending another culture's event because of the language barrier.

Even so, Edgar Guerrero said events like the fiesta can help build bridges across the cultural divide. Guerrero, a well-known radio personality from Boise, rose in popularity after placing fifth in La Academia, Mexico's version of "American Idol," outdoing 150,000 contestants from North, South



BLAIR KOCH/For the Times-News
Joe Gonzales with Mi Pueblo Bakery turns the chicken and corn cobs over a grill Saturday in Buhl. The chicken and corn, cooked over a blend of oak and mesquite chips, are popular fiesta dishes.

and Central America.

"These events can really help link the cultures that are a part of Buhl," said Guerrero, who has toured some 70 cities across the Americas. "I've been to so many wonderful places, but I always like home, Idaho, the best."

Organizer Patty Beltran, treasurer of the Buhl Chamber of Commerce, said she was pleased with

Saturday's turnout. She said they were hoping for 150 to 200 people.

"We're finding that a lot of people who are coming didn't buy their tickets in advance," she said. "We don't know for certain how many tickets we've sold, but it's been pretty steady."

Children enjoyed riding the mini-train, playing in a bounce house, riding sheep

and a miniature horse and swinging at the candy-filled pinatas. Grownups enjoyed the traditional menu and were entertained by bands such as Grupo Centenarios, Desiados Musical, DJ Nero and The Untouchables. A rodeo rounded out the event.

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More of Pole Line to close Monday

Times-News

More of Pole Line Road west of Twin Falls will be closed Monday as crews continue work on the Twin Falls Alternate Route project.

Parts of Pole Line that have been open to local traffic will close completely to connect new construction with the existing road, according to an Idaho Transportation Department release. Pole Line will be closed at 2700 East Road through Thursday. Drivers who live or work north of Pole Line should use Canyon Rim Road to travel east, while those living south will be diverted toward Falls Avenue.

When complete, the \$26.6 million federally funded route will connect north Twin Falls with the U.S. Highway 93/U.S. Highway 30 junction west of Twin Falls. W.W. Clyde Inc., of Springville, Utah, is the contractor for the project, which is expected to be complete by early 2011.

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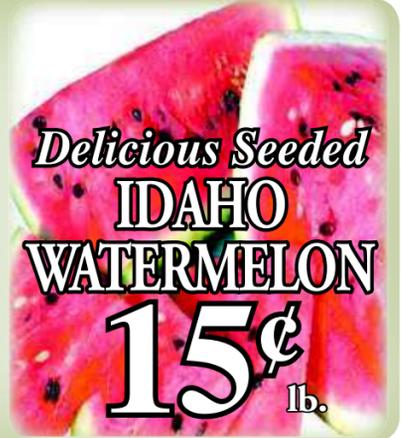
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looking into buying a bigger one, but Aggeler said it's not going to happen soon with budgets the way they are. The town's population of about 1,500 uses 1 million gallons per day in the summer when people water their lawns and about half that in winter. In the summer, the pumps come on at least once a day. Aggeler has one motor that's the workhorse for the pumps and two for backup.

"I've had two motors go out before," Aggeler said. "Every person who runs a city water department has sweated bullets."

The pumps used to work even harder before Shoshone enacted a watering ordinance limiting residents to three days of watering per week — and only during certain hours. Aggeler said the ordinance resulted in a water savings of 50 million to 80 million gallons per year.

Shoshone has a 1948 water permit that gives Aggeler the right to pump more groundwater than he needs now. The age of the permit means the town isn't likely to be affected by the increasing calls for water that limit other groundwater users. But water may still dwindle.

"Our biggest problem is the receding water depth in the aquifer," Aggeler said.

When Aggeler started at the water department in the early 1990s, the water table was 190 feet deep. It's now 40 feet lower, and Aggeler just had to extend one of his wells to 260 feet. The pumps have to work harder to push the water up the well and they produce less pressure.

"(Idaho National Laboratory) says there's a lot of water down there, but the problem is the capability to get it," Aggeler said.

Dependent on springs

Shoshone's wells tap into the Eastern Snake Plain Aquifer — a vast collection of groundwater flowing under almost 11,000 square miles, arcing southwest from near Rexburg to end at Thousand Springs. The aquifer is the only source of water for so many people that it would be disastrous if the quality or quantity of the water diminished. So the Environmental Protection Agency gives it special protection as a sole-source aquifer.

Twin Falls is another of the many towns that depend on the aquifer for water. But rather than a traditional well, Twin Falls Water Department Manager Mike Schroeder said about two-thirds of the city's water comes from the springs that feed the Blue Lakes on the north side of the Snake River. The city pumps about 70 percent of what it's allowed to take out of the springs. The final third of city water comes from wells south of town, tapping into a different aquifer.

Western states have recognized that demands on groundwater can eventually reduce nearby surface water. Springs that pop out of the Snake River Canyon's cliffs are the end of the line for the aquifer's water, and the city keeps a close eye on the flow coming out of the springs. If too many users to the northeast pull groundwater out, less makes it to the end. If water in the aquifer decreases more, the springs could retreat and then it wouldn't matter how much water the city has a right to.

One organization that has been affected by a decrease in spring water is the Twin Falls Canal Co.

Canals owned by several companies and irrigation districts crisscross southern

Idaho, siphoning water from many points of the Snake River. The Twin Falls Canal Co. is one of the largest, with two main canals irrigating 300 square miles south of the river.

During the summer, after the snowmelt is over, only springs keep water coming into the river. The company owns water storage at American Falls and has seen water levels drop in springs that feed that site. Canal company manager Brian Olmstead said the Fort Hall springs have dropped around 30 percent over the past 35 years.

"The snowmelt is gone by June and then we see how much the water has dropped and that's when we need it," Olmstead said. "That's coming right out of the Twin Falls water supply because we're the senior right on the river."

Changes being made

Watermaster Cindy Yenter of the Idaho Department of Water Resources keeps busy making sure that no one pumps more water than they should in her district north of the Snake River, which includes Shoshone and the Blue Lakes. District 130 covers almost one-third of the Eastern Snake Plain Aquifer, so there's a lot of policing to do — especially after businesses that depend on the springs, such as the canal company and trout farms, started making calls on junior water-rights holders over the past decade.

The department stopped issuing water rights in the Magic Valley in 1994, and even so, water may be over-allocated because no one used to tally water-right amounts. But beginning in 1987, the state has been evaluating all water rights on file to determine how much water, if any, is still available in state river basins. Water-rights lawyers and resource experts say water in many basins across the West is over-claimed. This would seem to be supported locally by deepening water tables and springs owners who are claiming they get less water. So, Yenter said, water calls will keep happening as water users with senior rights conclude those with junior rights are infringing on them.

"It probably took the aquifer 40 or 50 years to get to this depressed state, and we're not going to correct it in a few years," Yenter said. "Just because you have a wet spring doesn't mean you're out of the woods. It's going to be something akin to a lifestyle change for this whole area."

That lifestyle change has begun with farmers, canal companies and cities working together to use water more wisely.

In the past 10 years, water has been so limited that even the Twin Falls Canal Company's water has been curtailed three times. Farmers that depend on the canals used to use furrow irrigation, but to save water, many have changed to more-efficient sprinklers.

"When I started 10 years ago, the Twin Falls Tract was only about 15 percent sprinkler," Olmstead said. "We're almost about 40 percent now."

Using less water means fewer farmers have to reduce their production in drought years, and in good years, more water makes it back to the river.

The canals flow past a number of towns, so water departments also take advantage of them. The majority of city water used in the summer goes on people's lawns and gardens, and it's a waste to use good drinking water for irrigation.

The city of Twin Falls, for example, has partnered with the Twin Falls Canal Co. to shift lawn care to canal water. Olmstead said up until the '90s, a developer who bought farmland could hook his subdivision up to city water and sell the land's water rights to another farmer. But the canal company then decided the water shares should stay with the land so canal water would be used for landscaping purposes.

Beginning in 2003, Schroeder said, all new Twin Falls subdivisions had to install sprinkler systems that could link to the canals. Slowly, other parts of the city are doing the same. Schroeder said that, coupled with watering restrictions on odd or even days, has dropped summer peak daily use of city water by almost 4 million gallons per day since 2007.

"It's definitely saved a lot of good potable water that we don't have to pump out of Blue Lakes or our south wells," Schroeder said. "It just gives us that much more of a buffer."

Shoshone used to get all its water from rivers. But now, the only remnant of river water that the city uses comes from the Little Wood River through a ditch along the north side of town. Aggeler said all residents pay the city for water

by the lot in the summer. But those on the north end have the added advantage of turning to the ditch water if they miss the watering times enforced by the city.

"Some people use it, some don't," Aggeler said. "I would encourage those who can to use it because it's less draw on my system."

Mary Garrett doesn't live on the north side of Shoshone, so she can't use canal water. She said she'd have the brownest grass in town if it weren't for her sprinkler system. But that wouldn't be the worst part if the town started limiting water.

"People can deal with unsightly lawns," Garrett said. "But at a certain point, all this grass would become a fire hazard."

Thanks to the water conservation efforts being made in the Magic Valley, her sprinkler system will still make her grass damp in the morning and she can enjoy the flowers climbing her trellis for many years.

"Over the years, I've kept adding more," Garrett said. "When you have the time, it's not work. I enjoy it and that makes a difference."

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WATER WORDS

The following are words that water experts throw about but which may not be familiar to others.

Groundwater: Groundwater is water that is absorbed into the ground from rain, snow or through stream bottoms. It can sit in the soil as moisture or collect enough that it moves through the soil, or rock crevices or fissures at various depths. In densely packed clays, water can move as slowly as an inch per century, whereas it can move more quickly, around 10 feet per day, through gravels where empty spaces are larger.

Water table: The water table is the upper level of the groundwater. The water table tends to drop during the summer and during drought.

Aquifer: A region of porous soil that can store and transport groundwater. The Easter Snake Plain Aquifer exists because ancient volcanic activity in the area created a large region of porous basalt through which groundwater passes fairly easily.

Snowpack: Snowpack is the amount of snow that accumulates over the winter. It's not just the height of the snow but also the amount of moisture contained within. A short, mild winter results in less snowpack which melts quicker as the summer wears on. More snowpack results in rivers running higher or carrying more water longer.

Water right: A water right is a license from the state to use a defined amount of water drawn from a specific location for a specific use. Three categories of water rights in Idaho are hydroelectric, irrigation, and municipal. Other western states have created in-stream rights to keep water in streams for wildlife. Water rights also differentiate between surface and groundwater rights, although one can affect the other. Older or senior water rights have priority over newer or junior water rights.

Water call: If someone does not receive all the water guaranteed in his right, he can request that people upstream with junior water rights cut back on their water use so he receives his full amount. The request is a water call.

Curtailement: If a senior user has made a water call, users with junior water rights must curtail their water use. They do not have to stop using water completely; they just curtail enough to allow the downstream senior user to get all his water.

CFS: CFS, or cubic feet per second, is a measure of the volume of stream flow at any one location. It's the speed that water flows through a cross-section created by the width and depth at a point in a stream.

Acre-feet: Acre-feet is the volume of water commonly used to limit water rights, which originated out of irrigation uses. One acre-foot is the amount of water needed to flood a football field 1 foot deep.

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Custer Telephone Cooperative to soon merge wireless division with Syringa

By Joshua Palmer
Times-News writer

Syringa Wireless will expand its retail locations and wireless subscribers substantially through a merger with Custer Telephone Wireless, according to an announcement released Friday.

Custer Telephone Wireless, which offers high-speed Internet, Web design, cable television and wireless PCS to rural areas in eastern Idaho, confirmed that it will join its wireless division with Syringa — a partnership that will expand both cooperatives' retail locations to 21, and adding thousands of new wireless customers to their combined base.

The merger will provide wireless communication services in the Custer

Telephone exchange areas, which include Custer and Lemhi counties, as well as the municipalities of Clayton, Challis, May and Elk Bend.

The merger agreement was reached in June, offering a unique set of benefits that will help meet the demands of the ever-changing wireless telecommunications market.

Custer Telephone Cooperative will operate as an affiliate of Syringa Wireless. Both companies plan to maintain their current staffs.

After Oct. 15, all Custer wireless subscribers will be transitioned to Syringa Wireless plans and services. New Custer subscribers will be able to sign up for Syringa Wireless services.

The merger will grow the Syringa Wireless customer base, pushing

Syringa over the 15,000 customer mark.

"This is a great opportunity for our company. The ability for us to combine resources and expand our service area will truly benefit subscribers of both companies," said Mike Hunsaker, general manager of Syringa Wireless.

In related news, Syringa announced that it is also upgrading its network, adding 3G services to its coverage areas in southern Idaho.

Syringa Wireless started as a consortium of five companies, which included Filer Mutual Telephone established in 1909, Albion Telephone Co. established in 1929 and Project Mutual Telephone established in 1916.

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AP photo

An Associated Press reporter holds the Dell Streak phone during a product review in San Francisco.

Review

Dell Streak is awkward phone, so-so tablet

By Rachel Metz
Associated Press writer

SAN FRANCISCO — Lately I've been feeling very self-conscious when talking on the phone in public, and it's not because I'm worried about strangers listening in on my private conversations.

Rather, it's because the cell phone I'm using — the just-released Dell Streak — is actually a touch-screen tablet device that makes some of the clunkiest handsets from the late '90s look diminutive by comparison.

The Streak (\$300 with a two-year AT&T contract) is a complicated gadget. For a tablet computer, it is fairly small and thin — a fraction

the size of Apple Inc.'s popular iPad. Its face is dominated by a touch screen that is 5 inches diagonally, compared with the iPad's 9.7-inch display. Yet Dell insists it is also a phone, and as such it is fairly enormous and uncomfortable to talk on. Beyond that, it comes with an older version of Google Inc.'s Android software. Overall, it's just too awkward to bear.

The Streak's enormity is inescapable. It's a little less than 6 inches long and 3 inches across, so it looked mammoth in my petite hands. I felt like a little kid holding her father's smart phone.

It was clear from the start that carrying around the black gadget would be a chore. It fit into the back pockets of my jeans, but protruded noticeably. I was afraid it would fall out or be filched by some tablet-

phone-hungry thief. As a result, I had to carry it in a bag or hold it in my hand if I wanted to tote it around, and this latter option quickly got old.

Still, I figured the Streak's size would be great for at least one thing: watching videos. As expected, videos streamed well from such sites as YouTube and Funny or Die, probably helped by the device's 1 GHz processor.

Images looked sharp and bright on the screen. They didn't look quite as stellar as they do on Apple's latest iPhone or Samsung's new Galaxy S smart phones, though.

There is plenty of storage space on the Streak for the videos you want to watch (and for photos and songs, too), as it includes a 16-gigabyte microSD memory card. And the device's battery seemed to have no problem getting through a day filled with video and music streaming, Web surfing and chatting.

The screen was also a swell surface for checking out Google Maps and other websites. I liked having extra real estate to look up directions and see pages that contained both photos and text. But using it to instant message my friends was more difficult than on other touch-screen keyboards I've used; despite the Streak's size, I kept hitting the wrong keys.

But using the Streak to make phone calls was a new experience. I felt weird holding it up to my ear, imagining quizzical looks as

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PASSION FOR PINS



MEAGAN THOMPSON/Times-News

From left to right, Michael Weems, Ruthie Weems and Mike Jr. Weems stand for a photo at the Twin Falls Magic Bowl. The family purchased the bowling alley in January and is remodeling it to include a pro shop as well as a greater menu variety and beer and wine selection.

Bellevue couple buys, renovates Twin Falls' Magic Bowl

By Joshua Palmer
Times-News writer

Talking to Ruthie and Michael Weems, you get a sense that their business is more of a passion than a way to make a living.

The couple from Bellevue recently bought and is renovating the Magic Bowl bowling alley in downtown Twin Falls — a historical landmark that was in danger of being shut down less than a year ago.

The Weems, along with their son Mike Jr. Weems, live and breathe bowling. Michael Weems has owned and operated bowling alleys for more than 50 years — including two in Bellevue and Shoshone. His son is a pro bowler, sponsored by Brigham City, Utah-based Storm Products Inc.

But they say their real reason for buying and investing in Magic Bowl, which is located at 340 Second Ave. E. in Twin Falls, was to continue the passion for bowling that the previous owners had instilled in Twin Falls.

"We did it because of the Millers," Weems said, referring to Jeanne and Paul Miller, the former owners. "We wanted to keep the tradition going and that's really why we are here."

The Weems two other bowling alleys have thrived despite the recession, said Weems, who attributes the success to hard work and the nature of the sport.

"It's something that everyone can enjoy, whether you're a pro bowler or just going out as a family," he said.

The Weems purchased

Magic Bowl in January for an unspecified price, and immediately started renovating the building, which was built in 1958. The family is adding a fully equipped pro shop with state-of-the-art machines for customizing bowling equipment.

The Weems purchased a \$38,000 lane conditioner — a large robotic machine that cleans and conditions bowling lanes to hundreds of different specifications.

"It can really affect your scores, depending on how the lanes are conditioned," Weems said while checking how the light reflected off the lane.

Ruthie Weems said the snack bar will add greater variety to its menu, including fresh sandwiches and burgers with hand-pressed meat patties. She said a beer

and wine selection will also be added to the lineup.

"It's a lot of work and we are going at it a little at a time, but I think it will really add to the experience," she said.

Magic Bowl will continue to host leagues and tournaments, and the Weems have added new classes for pro bowlers, novices and all skill levels in between. The most noticeable tournament that will be added to the lineup will be the Women's State Tournament.

"We have a lot of leagues, so it's pretty interesting," Michael Weems said. "If you come in here on some afternoons, you will see people bowling here that are in their 90s."

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Cure for excessive Wall Street compensation: price wars

Normally, the big investment banks would be salivating over the prospect of a \$15 billion stock offering by General Motors, which by rights would generate \$450 million in fees. But a funny thing happened on the way to this bonanza. Goldman Sachs — convinced it was never going to be named lead underwriter because of its legal problems and its close ties to Ford — decided to have some fun at its rivals' expense. Tossing



Steven Pearlstein

aside Wall Street's most sacred commandment — Thou Shall Not Undercut the Fee Structure — Goldman offered to do the job for 0.75 percent of the stock sale, a quarter of the normal fee.

Sure enough, Goldman rivals Morgan Stanley and

J.P. Morgan were offered the business. But the U.S. Treasury, which owns most of the stock that will be sold through the offering, insisted that the winners do it at the Goldman price.

Given that the deal would almost certainly give them bragging rights as the top underwriters for the year, and given the public outcry that would have ensued if they had balked at giving a discount to the very same taxpayers who had just bailed them out, the Morgan twins

decided this was an offer they could not refuse.

This story, first reported by Bloomberg News and confirmed by several government and Wall Street sources, goes a long way in explaining why so many people on Wall Street get paid so much more than everyone else. A handful of established firms control access to global financial markets and use this power to extract monopoly-like profits and funnel them to their executives

and employees.

The reason for the lack of price competition is pretty simple: The banks know that if they start offering big discounts, all their rivals will be forced to do the same. In the end none of them would gain a competitive advantage, but all of them would wind up with less money. The only winner from a price war would be their customers.

This kind of cozy competition only works in markets where it is virtually impos-

sible for upstart firms to gain a foothold by offering a lower price.

Size is part of it: An investment bank has to be big enough and have strong enough relationships with thousands of institutional investors and money managers to be able to market large stock and bond offerings in a matter of days.

Given the huge sums of money that are raised through these offerings, it

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YOUR BUSINESS

MILESTONES

T. F. PUBLIC LIBRARY



Courtesy photo

The Twin Falls Public Library board of trustees and staff would like to thank the Twin Falls Chamber of Commerce for giving the library its 'Business is Blooming' Judge's Choice Award for its front entry landscaping. The area had been remodeled this past year and through the generous donation of flowers and plants from Moss Greenhouses, and coordinated by Library Foundation Board Member Kay Lynn Johnson, they were able to achieve the flower garden. The library would also like to thank the community of Twin Falls for its appreciation of the library.

Pictured is the Twin Falls Public Library staff members Courtney Stock, Kate Morrison and Susan Ash, shown with plaque.

PRO WEST ENGINEERING

Pro West Engineering at 1201 Falls Ave. E. Suite 32, Twin Falls, cut the red ribbon along with the Twin Falls Chamber Ambassadors. Pro West is a new member of the Chamber.

Pro West Engineering can perform low, medium and high voltage power, protective device coordination, Arc Flash studies and training. They provide complete programmable logic controller (PLC), operator interface (HMI), and instrumentation control solutions to support a wide variety of projects, across many sectors of industry. Their services include planning, designing, programming, installing, construction management and CAD drawings. They hold professional engineering licenses in five states.



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Pictured: Brenda Evers, office manager; Josh Collins, owner; Terry Robinson, owner; and not pictured: Randy Fernau and Chad Henke.

EXTRA MILE AWARD



Courtesy photo

The Twin Falls Area Chamber Ambassadors presented their Extra Mile Award to Jana Goff for her great customer service. Goff is employed by Service Master of Magic Valley. Pictured is Goff, holding plaque, and employees of Service Master of Magic Valley.

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South Central Community Action Partnership (SCCAP) would like to thank D.L. Evans Bank of Twin Falls for their \$1,500 donation to support the fourth annual 'Community Partnerships In Action' event that will take place Sept. 18 at the Twin Falls City Park. This contribution will assist in bringing in 70 to 80 booths from non-profit organizations and financial institutions that will provide information to more than 5,000 people about services that are available to low-income individuals and families across the Magic Valley. Through federal, state and local partnerships such as D.L. Evans Bank, SCCAP can continue serving those who are in need of assistance, by empowering and providing avenues to obtain food, education, employment, housing and a sense of achievement.

Pictured from left, back row: Ken Robinette, executive director, SCCAP; Ray Parrish, senior commercial loan officer, D.L. Evans; Penny Treat, investment representative, D.L. Evans; Robert Clancy, commercial loan officer, D.L. Evans; Justin Wells, commercial loan officer, D.L. Evans; front row: Dana Stewart, branch manager in downtown, D.L. Evans; Barb Delmore, vice president and branch manager at Blue Lakes, D.L. Evans; Jennifer Traugher, senior vice president retail banking, D.L. Evans; and Jan Thueson, administrative assistant, D.L. Evans; Jim Kern, assistant vice president and loan officer mortgage lending, D.L. Evans.

CAREER MOVES

McCain Foods honorees

Over 200 potato contract growers were honored at McCain Foods USA, Inc. CY2009 Grower Appreciation BBQ at Sunrise P River Ranch in Declo. Rich Mita, director of agriculture, was the guest speaker. The following growers were awarded the Howard Miller clock and \$1,000 Grower Award:



Arthur R. Henry Farms Inc. for the 2009 Russet Burbank Direct Delivery Small Contract. Pictured from left: Rich Mita, Jim Fuller, Art and Jamie Henry, Marc Howard (fieldman) and Jeff McCray.



S & S Farms for the 2008 Grower Storage Small Contract. Pictured from left: Rich Mita, Jim Fuller, Shayne Stastny and son, Brice, Jeff McCray and Daryl Stout (fieldman).



Vallivue Farms for the 2009 Russet Burbank Direct Delivery Large. Pictured from left: Jerry Swisher (fieldman), Rich Mita, Jim Fuller, Dean Nielsen, Jeff McCray and Adam Nielsen.



Moo View Cow Palace for the 2008 Grower Storage Large Contract. Pictured from left: Rich Mita, Jim Fuller, Craig and Beverly Searle, Jeff McCray and Daryl Stout (fieldman).



BLN Huettig Farms for the 2008 Grower Storage Western Russet Contract. Pictured from left: Rich Mita, Jim Fuller, Larry Huettig, Marc Howard (fieldman), Brian Huettig and Jeff McCray. Bob and Warren Shillington of CSC Farms also received the Howard Miller clock and \$1,000 for the 2009 Ranger Field Direct Contract, but were unable to attend.

GARRARD RECEIVES AWARD



Richard Garrard received the Lifetime Achievement Award in recognition of over 30 years of contributions as county extension agent and to the youth programs. Pictured from left: Rich Mita, Richard Garrard, Jim Fuller (field manager) and Jeff McCray (Burley factory manager).

Shirley Lee

Shirley Lee of Heritage Makers Inc., Twin Falls, recently attended Heritage Makers annual convention in Phoenix, Ariz. She was recognized for promoting to director during the year, as well as being one of the top five sales people in the entire company for the year. Lee is a personal consultant with Heritage Makers, assisting clients with creating various projects to promote family values and heritage.



Lee

Adepoju joins Magic Valley Spine & Joint

Dr. Jill Adepoju was born and raised in Twin Falls, where she graduated as a Twin Falls Bruin in 2003. She then traveled to Reno, where she attended the University of Nevada, and studied health ecology for four years. Adepoju then moved to the bay area and enrolled at Life Chiropractic College West in Hayward, Calif. She studied there for three years and earned her doctorate in chiropractic. Adepoju is newly married and she and her husband have finally made their way back to the Magic Valley.

Adepoju is excited to be serving her community and working as a chiropractor at Magic Valley Spine & Joint. She is Webster Certified, which is a specific technique for pregnant women. Adepoju specializes in pregnant women, children and families. Adepoju is now accepting new patients.



Adepoju

Mr. Steam's Valley Steam

Mr. Steam's Valley Steam and the Institute of Inspection, Cleaning and Restoration Certification (IICRC) are proud to announce that Delbert Mondragon has completed and received his certification in stone, masonry and ceramic tile.

Mondragon plays a major role in providing outstanding service experiences, which is the mission that Mr. Steam's Valley Steam Carpet Clean strives to maintain with each client they serve.



Mondragon

Longtime Burley attorney earns Idaho's highest accolade

William Parsons, a Burley City Attorney for 28 years, was awarded the Distinguished Lawyer Award at the Idaho State Bar Annual Conference.

Parsons founded the Law Firm with Dick Smith, which is now Parsons, Smith, Stone, Loveland & Shirley, in 1962, and still practices there.

He is a member of the American College of Trial Lawyers, Theron Ward Inns of Court and the American Bar Association. Currently, he serves on the board of directors of the Mini-Cassia Commerce Authority.

The Award is presented each year to one or more attorneys who have distinguished the profession through exemplary dedicated service to the legal profession and to the citizens of Idaho. In 2010, the Idaho State Bar honors three renowned Idaho lawyers. This year the recipients are William Parsons, Former Justice Cathy Silak and John D. Hansen.

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Parsons

Walter joins U.S. Bank

U.S. Bank Home Mortgage is pleased to announce that Becky Walter has joined their team as a mortgage originator at the Jerome office. She comes to U.S. Bank with over 20 years of mortgage experience.



Walter

Tracy Golob

Zions Bank has promoted Tracy Golob as customer service manager at Zions Bank's Twin Falls Canyon Park office, located at 1863 Blue Lakes Blvd. N. Golob is responsible for daily branch operations, managing the customer service staff and managing product initiatives.

Golob began her banking career 10 years ago. She has been working for Zions Bank since 2008, and most recently was a teller at the Twin Falls Canyon Park office.

A Colorado native, Golob attended Moorpark College in California. She now lives in Twin Falls with her husband, Aron, and two children.



Golob

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Architectural gems languish on California home market

By Jacob Aldeman
Associated Press writer

LOS ANGELES — The home sale slump has left some dwellings designed by Frank Lloyd Wright and other architectural luminaries languishing on the Southern California market.

Marquee homes by Richard Neutra, Rudolph Schindler and others that once sold briskly to design aficionados for stratospheric prices are now selling at a loss if at all, with the well-heeled increasingly reluctant to buy.

"Those days of easy money and money-is-no-object artwork kinds of prices are gone," said architect and real estate agent Brian Linder, who has a listing for a 1937 condo unit by Austrian emigre designer Richard Neutra that's had its price cut to \$675,000 after hitting the market in May for \$815,000.

It's a big change from just a few years ago, when the housing-finance bubble that inflated property values throughout the country earlier in the decade showed itself even more prominently among architecturally significant homes. Those homes often sold for many times what their less notable neighbors fetched.

Pierre Koenig's late 1960s Case Study House No. 21, for example, sold in December 2006 after barely a week on the market for \$3.2 million, or around \$2,400 a square foot. That compares to an average of \$500 to \$600 per square foot for neighboring homes at the time, Linder said.

But the prices of many of these pedigreed homes hasn't yet come down to the



The entrance to La Miniatura, the first of Frank Lloyd Wright's textile-block homes, is seen for sale in Pasadena, Calif., on Friday. La Miniatura, an experimental home built in 1923, has been on the market for two years.

level where buyers would be willing to buy a piece of art history.

A 1949 home built in the foothills of the Verdugo Mountains outside Los Angeles by John Lautner, best known for the octagonal Chemosphere that looms over the Hollywood Hills, has been on the market for about two years.

The airy redwood-and-glass Schaffer Residence started at around \$2 million, but has been cut to about \$1.5 million.

In the trendy Silver Lake neighborhood, the Austrian-born Schindler's sparse, concrete How House hit the market in September 2008 at around \$5 million. Its last listing was at \$1.9 million.

Meanwhile, in the hills overlooking the neighborhood of Los Feliz, Wright's 1924 Ennis house, which has been featured in such

movies as "Blade Runner," and "House on Haunted Hill," has had its price reduced from \$15 million last summer to about \$7.5, and it still hasn't found a buyer.

The nonprofit Ennis House Foundation fixed about \$6.5 million in water and earthquake damage to the imposing home, one of only four in Wright's "textile block" style.

Another of Wright's Mayan-influenced homes, the Millard House in Pasadena, has had its price cut from nearly \$8 million to around \$5 million during the two years it's been on the market.

The current owners bought the home, also known as La Miniatura, about 12 years ago and have even entertained a proposal by an art dealer whose Japanese client considered buying the home, dismantling it block-by-textile-

block and shipping it to Japan.

"We have a priceless treasure at a bargain price and it's not as well understood at home probably as it is around the world," said the home's listing agent, Crosby Doe.

High-priced homes by brand-name architects don't seem to be selling any better in other parts of the country.

In the Highland Park suburb of Chicago, the modernist glass-and-steel box-shaped home best known as the launching point of a character's father's Ferrari in 1986's "Ferris Bueller's Day Off" has languished on the market for more than a year.

The house, built in 1953 by Mies van der Rohe-protege A. James Speyer, was first listed for \$2.3 million in May 2009. Last month, its price was cut to about \$1.7 million.

3Par calls HP \$30 bid 'superior'; Dell mulls reply

FREMONT, Calif. (AP) — Data storage company 3Par Inc. says its board has determined that Hewlett-Packard Co.'s \$2 billion, \$30-per-share takeover bid is superior to a rival offer from Dell Inc., but Dell said Saturday it was mulling over a higher bid.

3Par said late Friday that it told Dell of its intention to terminate its previous deal for \$27 per share after three business days and after satisfying other conditions of its deal with Dell.

Dell has the right to match any higher bid and has its offer take precedence within three business days starting on Monday, said Dell spokesman David Frink.

He said Saturday that the company is assessing whether a higher bid would be in its best interests and said it would "make our intent known at an appropriate time."

HP and Dell, among the world's largest personal computer makers, are looking at 3Par as a way to build up their "cloud computing" businesses, delivering software, data storage and other services to customers via the Internet.

The companies want

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3Par to help keep data storage costs down because the company has technology that does out storage space on the fly.

Both PC makers can afford to continue bidding. Dell has \$12.4 billion in cash and short-term investments at the end of last quarter. HP had \$14.7 billion.

Dell first made a play for 3Par at \$18 per share, or \$1.13 billion, on Aug. 16. That was an 87 percent premium over its previous closing price of \$9.65.

3Par shares rose \$6.43, or 25 percent, to close at \$32.46 on Friday after HP put in its latest bid, suggesting investors believe a higher bid is possible.

HP shares fell 22 cents to \$38 on Friday while Dell shares rose 14 cents to close at \$11.89.

Streak

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I walked down the street. The Streak didn't sound bad, but it didn't sound great, either. Calls sounded kind of fuzzy on my end, and in one frustrating exchange the screen kept changing orientation while I was on the phone, which also meant that the physical button that allowed me to turn the sound up and down kept reversing functions.

Beyond the Streak's basic awkwardness, its biggest flaw is that it relies on old software. Despite the inclusion of a swift processor, the Streak is saddled

with an older version of the Android operating software — version 1.6 — which means it is missing some of latest features and can't run some applications that call for newer operating software. It also lacks Adobe's Flash Player 10.1 for watching Flash videos.

Dell Inc. says the Streak will get what is currently the latest Android software, version 2.2, later this year and will get Flash 10.1, too. I'm stymied by decision to not even start out the Streak with version 2.1, which is available on a number of current smart phones.

Pearlstein

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may seem silly for a company to try to save a few million dollars in fees by eschewing the established players, who invariably claim they are so much wiser and more experienced that they will be able to get an extra 50 cents for each share of stock or shave the interest rate on a bond by an eighth of a percentage point. There's no way to prove they are right, but there's no way to disprove it either — and surely nobody's ever been fired for going with Goldman Sachs.

So what we have is a suspicious consistency in IPO fees: 6 to 7 percent for deals of less than \$200 million, 4 to 5 percent for moderate priced deals and 3 to 4 percent for those over \$1 billion. Most of the fees go to the lead underwriters, with the rest scattered among the losers of each beauty contest. The fee pot is divided in three: Twenty percent is an underwriting fee for the banks' guarantee that they will buy the entire issue even if nobody else will. That was once an important consideration, but in today's markets, the investment banks ensure that no IPO goes forward unless the entire offering is pre-sold.

As a result, the underwriting fee is now a pure windfall.

Sixty percent of the fee represents a sales commission, which also turns into something of a game, particularly when it involves highly desired shares of well-known companies such as GM. Since all the major investment banks have relationships with all the major institutional buyers, it's hard to say which sales force actually makes the sale. So once Fidelity or TIAA decide how many shares they want to buy, they can divide the commission among the investment banks any way they choose. In the end, the division has more to do with relationships and favors and thinly disguised kickbacks than how much work is done or how much skill is involved.

The final 20 percent is the management fee, which goes exclusively to lead underwriters. This is for helping to prepare the prospectus, organizing the

10-day road show to market the issue to prospective buyers, keeping the order book and advising the company on the offering's price and size. For a big deal such as the GM offering, it might involve incredibly intense work by as many as 30 professionals for as long as four months — let's say, generously, 30,000 hours of work. On a \$15 billion IPO, that works out to \$3 million per banker, or \$3,000 per hour worked.

In theory, it should be possible to raise money without paying such a hefty toll to Wall Street's gatekeepers. In some countries, new stock issues are sold through auctions that eliminate the need for large sales forces and their commissions. A few high-tech companies, including Google, successfully used such auctions here, but Wall Street has somehow managed to convince corporate directors and executives that the renegades didn't get full price for their offerings.

Moreover, now that banking and investment banking are done under the same roof, companies might worry that their reward for squeezing investment banking fees will simply be higher costs for their loans. It is probably no coincidence that the same firms that are underwriting GM's stock issue have also agreed to provide the carmaker with a \$5 billion revolving credit facility, one that reportedly involves relatively high fees.

There's nothing about excessive compensation on Wall Street that can't be cured by some old-fashioned price competition — reduce the fees and the trading profits and the bonuses will follow. All it would require is a determination by major companies to drive as hard a bargain on behalf of their shareholders as the Treasury has now done on behalf of taxpayers.

Steven Pearlstein is a columnist for the Washington Post.

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Sound Ideas in Uncertain Times Capital Gains

The existing capital gains tax rate is currently scheduled to increase on January 1st 2011. While it is possible that congress will intervene in this situation, as of the time of this writing that does not appear likely. This has caused some of my clients to consider strategies to mitigate the effects of this tax change. Here are some considerations to determine if such planning would benefit you.



Terry R. Downs*

First determine if you are or could be subject to capital gains tax, for this step consult with your tax advisor. Essentially, a capital gain occurs with the sale of an appreciating asset that has been held a year or more. If you own a business, real estate, or securities that have appreciated over the years, this rate change could impact your tax bill.

According to Todd Wadsworth CPA, with the accounting firm Cooper Norman Co., some taxpayers could benefit from liquidating their assets this year and avoid selling those same assets at a higher capital gain tax rate on a future date. Wadsworth notes that there are significant advantages to a tax payer to employ this strategy if they are currently in a 15% income tax bracket. Those tax payers get special capital gains treatment that is due to expire at the end of this year. "A senior couple on a small fixed income selling their 10 acre pasture this year might exemplify someone that could benefit from this approach," he states.

Individuals that have met with their tax advisor and learned that they may benefit from generating a capital gain this year, are often faced with two new questions. First, should the seller accept a lower sales price to get the sale done in time to qualify for advantageous tax treatment? Second, what would be a suitable investment for the income generated from the sale? These two questions are intricately intertwined. There is little use in generating a tax savings only to find it eroded away with a new investment that has performed poorly.

My office is well qualified to provide guidance with the later question. As a Financial Representative, I can provide insight to generating portfolio appreciation consistent with the investor's risk profile. More importantly, my office offers financial advice that coordinates investment recommendations with respect to a client's tax objectives. We gladly coordinate with you and your tax advisor to implement this and other wealth preservation strategies.

It is not the purview of this piece to provide tax advice, but to make you aware of this timely issue. In the event that you might wish to look into this matter further, I would enjoy the opportunity to sit at the table with you and your tax advisor. Each situation is different and results may vary. That is why I offer individual consultations without cost or obligation. I welcome the opportunity to see if we can be of help to you.

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The Hurricane Katrina Memorial for St. Bernard Parish is seen on Shell Beach, La., Saturday.

Louisiana residents rid grief in symbolic Katrina burial

By Mary Foster
Associated Press writer

CHALMETTE, La. — Hundreds of mourners dropped notes, cards and letters — many of them stained with tears — into a steel-gray casket on Saturday in a symbolic burial of Hurricane Katrina.

One letter written by a child in red crayon said: "Go away from us!" Another note remembered one of the 1,800 victims of Katrina: "R.I.P. Gloria, I will always love you." The casket, along with some of the anger, grief and frustration, was later interred under an appropriately dark sky as rain pounded umbrellas.

"I asked for no more suffering, for everything to come back to where it was," Walter Gifford, 47, said of his note. He rebuilt his home and moved back to the area near New Orleans. "I ask for the



Notes and items from community members are seen in a casket during a symbolic funeral service for Hurricane Katrina on Saturday at Our Lady of Prompt Succor Catholic Church in Chalmette, La.

sadness for so many to end!" The church that celebrated the Mass, Our Lady of Prompt Succor, was flooded five years ago just like all but two buildings in St. Bernard Parish.

"I cried a lot while I wrote my letter," said Nancy Volpe, 61, who moved back into her house in November. "But I'm

finally home. I can't tell you how much better I know the meaning of that word — home."

When the casket was finally closed, people applauded. "I've been to many funerals," said Archbishop Gregory M. Aymond. "But I'm sure this is the first time I've heard applause when they closed

the casket." Funeral director Floyd W. Herty Jr. planned the service. "I've been a funeral director all my adult life, and I know the power the service has to let people begin healing," Herty said.

The funeral was one of dozens of events planned to mark the fifth anniversary of the massive storm that wrecked New Orleans, south Louisiana and the Mississippi Gulf Coast.

Today, President Obama will speak at Xavier University — which, like 80 percent of New Orleans, was flooded when the levees failed. He will remember those who died and reassure the others who have returned that he is committed to completing the rebuilding that couldn't even start in New Orleans for a month after the Aug. 29, 2005 storm, because floodwaters were still being pumped out of the city.

W.Va. governor wins Democratic primary for Senate

By Lawrence Messina
Associated Press writer

CHARLESTON, W.Va. — Popular Gov. Joe Manchin won the Democratic nomination Saturday and will face GOP primary winner and wealthy businessman John Raese in the race to fill the Senate seat vacated by the late Robert C. Byrd.

Raese defeated a crowded field of Republicans and becomes part of the GOP quest to dismantle the Democratic Senate majority as high unemployment and the slow economic recovery take a toll on their political prospects this fall.

In Louisiana, scandal-tainted Republican U.S. Sen. David Vitter easily beat two little-known challengers and will meet Democratic Rep. Charlie Melancon, who won his party's primary, in November.

Vitter survived a 2007 prostitution scandal after he admitted an unspecified "serious sin" after his phone number appeared in the records of a Washington prostitution ring. He has also shrugged off fresh questions about his judgment in allowing an aide to remain on his staff for more than two years after a violent attack on a woman police identified as his ex-girlfriend.

With little competition from his own party, he and Melancon have already engaged in a war of attack ads.

The primary in West Virginia was hastily called after Byrd, a 92-year-old Democrat elected to a record ninth term in 2006, died June 28.

Manchin won his seventh-straight statewide campaign. He enjoys high approval ratings and was seen as a comforter-in-



AP photo

Gayle Manchin, right, listens as her husband, West Virginia Gov. Joe Manchin speaks during a news conference at his campaign headquarters on Saturday in Charleston, W.Va.

chief to victims' families following the Upper Big Branch mine explosion, which killed 29 workers in April, and the Sago mine disaster in 2006.

"I'm running for the U.S. Senate to represent all the people," said Manchin, 63. "It's going to be a sprint now and we're prepared."

Manchin's support from coal and utility industries — which have provided more than a quarter of the \$1.2 million he has raised since declaring his candidacy last month — may help him overcome national GOP attempts to paint him as a liberal who will side with President Barack Obama's administration.

Obama lost West Virginia in 2008, and his energy and environmental policies are deemed anti-coal in the nation's second-largest coal producing state. Democrats desperately need to hold the Senate seat in West Virginia, a state that Republican nominee John McCain won handily with 56 percent of the vote.

For Obamas, a (mostly) stress-free vacation

By Erica Werner
Associated Press writer

EDGARTOWN, Mass. — President Obama wrapped up a 10-day vacation Saturday that was blissfully free of the news emergencies that have interrupted some of his past getaways.

Grim economic reports cast an inescapable shadow over the first family's stay in Martha's Vineyard, and tough tasks on Iraq and the Middle East await the president in Washington after a stop in New Orleans Sunday on the fifth anniversary of Hurricane Katrina.

But during his time on this lovely island, the president never once had to shed his leisure wear to step in front of the podium and address a national emergency or matter of state. So as the first family hit the beach under picture-perfect skies Saturday for their last day away, they could celebrate an apparent end to what had become something of a vacation jinx.

On Obama's first extended presidential vacation, last August's Martha's Vineyard trip, the somber news of Sen. Edward M. Kennedy's death required Obama to leave the island for the senator's funeral. Also last year on Martha's Vineyard Obama renominated Ben Bernanke as Federal Reserve chairman.

Then there was Hawaii over Christmas and New Year's. Obama had barely arrived when Christmas Day brought the attempted terror attack on a Detroit-bound airliner, forcing the president to spend the subsequent days conferring with his national security team between golf outings.

These past days on Martha's Vineyard, by contrast, the only thing that



AP photo

President Obama rides bicycles with his family, not seen, while on vacation Friday on Martha's Vineyard.

kept Obama off the golf course was a spell of stormy weather. And even that didn't dampen his enjoyment as he holed up with his family and friends to read and play Scrabble and board games at a rented 30-acre farm with private beach.

Obama got in plenty of golf even if storms kept him off the links for a few days. He played five rounds during his stay, hitting all three island courses. The president dined out three times with first lady Michelle Obama and friends, and took Mrs. Obama and daughters Sasha and Malia to lunch at a wharfside seafood restaurant. There was also ice cream for the girls and a trip to a bookstore.

Their final vacation day took them to a stretch of beach along the island's south-facing coast. Reporters and photographers were kept well away as — for five hours — the Obamas enjoyed bright skies and temperatures in the mid-'70s.

5 California inmates shot during riot

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — Prison guards shot into a crowd to stop 200 rioting inmates at California's Folsom State Prison, wounding five, authorities said Saturday.

Another two inmates were injured by other prisoners during Friday's riot, which began at about 7 p.m. in the main exercise yard and ended after 30 minutes. Prison spokesman Lt. Anthony Gentile said officers fired after other efforts to break up the riot failed.

"We tried to control the situation with chemical agents dispersed over the crowd," Gentile said Saturday. "We fired several rounds of rubber bullets and that didn't stop them from fighting."

None of the inmates suffered life-threatening injuries, and none of the 45

to 50 officers who responded were hurt.

All seven of the injured inmates were listed in stable condition late Saturday, according to Gentile.

The prison, made famous in the Johnny Cash song "Folsom Prison Blues," could remain on lockdown for the next several weeks during an investigation. That means inmates won't be allowed to have visitors, use the exercise yard or attend work training, Gentile said.

The prison has been hit with sporadic violence in its 130-year existence.

Most recently, eight inmates were injured in October after a fight involving about 120 prisoners erupted in a dining hall at the prison.

In April 2002, 24 inmates and one guard were injured during a riot.



A guard tower is seen behind the wire fence that surrounds California State Prison, Sacramento, in Folsom, Calif., in August 2007.

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Wildfires across Idaho keep fire crews busy

BOISE (AP) — Fire crews on Saturday gained the upper hand on some fires thanks to cooler weather and were battling other blazes scattered elsewhere in Idaho.

Most of the fires were touched off by lightning strikes. The largest one, the 1,200-square-mile Long Butte fire in southern Idaho near Hagerman, on Saturday was 80 percent contained after spending days burning grass and hardwood slash.

Fire officials reported more than 600 firefighters have been assigned to the blaze, including 75 fire engines, five single-engine air tankers, one large air tanker, and five helicopters.

Officials at the Hurd fire burning eight miles northwest of Cascade on Saturday said that fire is 22 percent contained, but that residents have been allowed back into areas previously evacuated.

"We've had favorable winds all day that have been pushing the fire back onto itself," fire spokesman Sheldon Keafer told The Associated press Saturday evening. "And we've had cooler temperatures."

That fire in Valley County has charred 1,300 acres, or about five square miles.

In southeastern Idaho, the Middle Butte fire has consumed some 54 square miles, nearly all of it on the Idaho National Laboratory. On Saturday officials said the fire was about 65 percent contained with firefighters backed by bulldozers working on four fronts to establish fire lines using burned areas and back burns.

The Banner fire burning in timber in rugged terrain 15 miles west of Stanley central Idaho on Saturday was about nine square miles and 52 percent contained with more than 400 firefighters working on the blaze.

Cash grants that propped up alternative power due to expire

By John Miller
Associated Press writer

BOISE — The wind always seems to blow on the Snake River plain, keeping this high-desert landscape of sage, potatoes and sugarbeet plants forever in motion.

Still, General Electric Co. executives said the consistent gusts weren't enough for them to take a majority stake in Idaho's largest wind farm, a 122-turbine, \$500 million complex due to produce enough electricity for some 43,000 homes.

That took cash — specifically, the promise of more than \$100 million in grants from a U.S. Department of Treasury program that's pumped \$5.1 billion into the nation's renewable energy projects in the last 18 months. It's helped kick-

start wind farms in California's mountains, geothermal stations that tap boiling water beneath Nevada's desert, even solar equipment at a Wisconsin cranberry marsh.

Part of the 2009 federal stimulus, it came as financing evaporated after the 2008 global financial crisis.

Grant recipients say risk-leery bankers have grown more willing to give them money, knowing that renewable developers will quickly get 30 percent of eligible capital costs back, to reduce their debts.

But the grant program expires this year, so energy developers and lawmakers are pushing Congress to extend it until 2012, though they fear election-year politics and possible cost concerns will be a roadblock.

Failure won't kill renew-

able energy development, but advocates say wind, geothermal and solar power projects would likely slow.

"Industry is already challenged with difficulties in getting power contracts at a price that makes sense," said Alex Urquhart, president and chief executive officer of GE Energy Financial Services, before touring his new Idaho project. "If you take away the grant, you further dampen the market, you add cost to projects that may already be challenged."

For years, the U.S. government steered cash to renewable energy development by offering tax credits.

But when financial markets collapsed in 2008, banks and other investors no longer had an appetite for those, leading Congress

and President Obama to approve the cash grants with the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009.

In April, the Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory in California said wind projects that may have been enabled by the stimulus grants created 51,600 construction jobs and 3,860 permanent jobs. Nearly two-thirds of wind projects and all geothermal plants built in 2009 took the grants.

GE's project in Idaho expects to create 175 construction jobs and 25 permanent jobs.

"The Treasury grant has been hugely important to date in bridging the gap in financing, as the economy took a nose dive," said Alex Klein, a consultant at IHS Emerging Energy Research in Cambridge, Mass.

OBITUARY

Richard William Smith

HAGERMAN — Richard William Smith, 42, passed to his heavenly home on the morning of Thursday, Aug. 26, 2010, after a long and hard battle with cancer.

Richard was born in Fort Worth, Texas, on Sept. 12, 1967, to Henry W. "Bill" and Patricia Jane Smith, where his father was stationed in the U.S. Air Force. He was the first of three children born to this marriage. The family moved to Arco, Idaho, after his father got out of the military and resided there with family and friends until moving to Sugar City, where Richard started the first grade. While there, he was joined by two brothers, James and Robert, from a new marriage between his father and Sydney Price.

In 1974, the family moved to Hagerman, then later to Gooding as the family set down roots. His father and stepmom worked for his grandparents in Bliss at their truck stop. After trying schools in Hagerman and Gooding, Richard and his sister, Venus, began school in "Bliss," where they both excelled in academics and sports. As Richard matured, he became very involved in sports and fitness, which became his chosen field of study in college. While a senior at Bliss he and his team mates led Bliss to the state tournament in basketball and one of the best three-game series ever witnessed by many people. After graduation, Richard went to Ricks College for a year before going on an LDS mission to California, where he brought the gospel to the Cambodian, Hmong and Laotian people and became very adept at the oriental dialects which grew

to include Thai, Cambodian, Loa, Hmong, Vietnamese and Mandarin Chinese.

After returning from his mission, he enrolled in college at Ricks again and soon found the love of his life, Jenny, who he later married in July of 1989 in the LDS Temple in Seattle. They were joined by Thai William on May 10, 1990, Richard's only child. Richard and Jenny were later divorced and Richard continued his studies in sports medicine at Utah State University in Logan, Utah, obtaining his master's degree in cardiopulmonary rehabilitation in 1995. Through the years of study, he managed to obtain degrees or be certified in cardio-pulmonary exercise, massage therapy, nutrition and fitness, English, muscle and bio-physiology and, in 2009, his doctorate in biomechanics. When he went to Taiwan, he taught English and worked with a fitness equipment manufacturer and became very adept at design, as he helped design, test, demonstrate and sell equipment at conferences and shows throughout the world, including Europe, Asia, and North and South America. In 2001, he began working with the staff at the National Sports Academy in Taipei, training nutrition, exercise routines and injury therapy to Taiwan's Olympic athletes. In the fall of 2006, he became a professor and was involved in almost every aspect of nutritional care and design of exercise and injury prevention and care of the men's basketball, girl's softball and the baseball team



members who called him Mr. Richard. He was respected and loved by all who knew him.

In June of 2009, Richard damaged his throat exposing esophageal cancer.

After several months of treatment, he chose to return to the United States to pursue treatment at the Huntsman Cancer Treatment Center in Salt Lake City, Utah. He was joined there by his mother, Patty, and his girl friend, Vicky. He was invited to stay with his high school coach and good friend, Jerry Couch and his wife, Nancy. When it became apparent that time was short, Richard told his dad to bring him home to Gooding, where he was able to visit with many of his childhood friends and family members. His aunt Marsha had been staying with Richard since June in Utah and her daughters, Anisha and Joelann, were there often. Richard especially loved his visits from his little cousins, Kennedy, Kamri and Khloe. Richards's dad, Bill, spent almost every minute with him the last three weeks and Richard was being held by his father as he passed to his Heavenly Father. He suffers no more as he now becomes a truly strong missionary for the Lord on the other side.

Richard is survived by his father, Henry W. "Bill" Smith;

his mother, Patricia Jane Wilson; his precious son, Thai William; his sisters, Venus, Kimberly and Deborah; brothers, James and Robert; stepsisters, Maryann, Dorothy, Dianna and LaDawn; and stepbrothers, Butch, Doug, Kevin and Keith. He is also survived by uncles and aunts, Cal and Audrey Peterson, Larry and Gaydena Smith, Tom and Marsha Cengarusa and Donald Baird; and two aunts on his mother's side, Francis and Dianna; as well as many cousins, friends and colleagues around the world who will always remember this precious child of God who now resides with his Heavenly Father. Richard was preceded in death by his sister, Michelle; his aunt, Nettie; his grandparents, Henry and Louisa Durfee Smith, and Lloyd and Betty King.

The funeral will be held at 11 a.m. Wednesday, Sept. 1, at the Hagerman LDS Church, with Bishop Kent Goodman conducting. Burial will follow at the Hagerman Cemetery. A viewing for family and friends will be held from 4 to 6:45 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 31, at Demaray Funeral Service, Gooding Chapel, 737 Main St. in Gooding, and from 10 a.m. until service time Wednesday at the church.

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Orville Dean Black

BOISE — Orville Dean Black, 87, of Boise, died Monday, Aug. 23, 2010, at a care center in Boise.

A graveside service will be held at 2 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 15, at the Ketchum Cemetery in Ketchum, Idaho.

Orville was born to Charles and Edith (Smith) Black on Jan. 3, 1923, in Colfax, Ill. He attended schools in Kent and Creston, Iowa, and started high school in Illinois before moving to Ketchum, Idaho, in October 1937.

He began work for Union Pacific Railroad at a young age before entering the U.S. Army as an engineer. He was stationed in England and France during World War II from 1943 to 1946. Upon Orville's return to Ketchum, he worked for Sun Valley as a groundskeeper for Union Pacific and the Janss Corporation. In 1975, after 30 years at that job, Orville made a change and went to work at Louie's Pizza as a clean-up man.

He remained a lifelong bachelor who enjoyed keeping himself occupied with hobbies such as working crossword puzzles, making jigsaw puzzles, reading, singing and entertaining people. Throughout the years, he entertained many visitors and residents of the Ketchum-Sun Valley area with his antics. He was known for his recycling fervor, picking up cans and other re-usable items to



supplement his income, to help others and just because he enjoyed it.

Orville served as steward for the Laborers Union, AFL-CIO, while working at Sun Valley under the Ketchum-Sun Valley Trades Council Agreement.

His survivors include nieces and nephews, LaVon M. and Bud Young of Boise, Lois M. and Kenneth Gentry of Rupert, Laura M. and Richard Clark of Ogden, Utah, LaVern M. Anderson and LaDell M. Anderson, both of Boise, Robert D. and Helen Black of Hailey, Neva M. Cox and John O. and Madeline Black, all of Jerome, Carol R. Roberts of Salmon, and Adella C. and Tony Garcia of Omaha, Neb.; niece-in-law, Gail Anderson; numerous great-nieces and nephews; great-great-nieces and nephews; and several great-great-greats. Orville was preceded in death by his parents; a brother, Cleo O. Black and wife, Dorothy; two sisters, Alma D. Anderson and Elva R. Juarez and husband, Floyd; a niece; a nephew; two nephews-in-law; three great-nieces; one great-nephew; one great-great-niece; and one great-great-nephew.

Michael Dale Heath

Michael Dale Heath, age 53, passed away Friday, Aug. 27, 2010, from a heart attack while at work.

He was a hard worker and left a great legacy for his children and grandchildren of dedication, responsibility and pride in the work you take on. He was always supportive and kind to those who knew him and would give the very shirt from his own back to a stranger if he saw a need.

He was born on Dec. 10, 1956, in Jerome, Idaho, to Eldon Oscar Heath and Glenda Heath. He graduated from Shoshone High School and received a football scholarship to Treasure Valley Community College. He went to work for Union Pacific Railroad and also obtained his cement journeyman. He was employed with Union Pacific for 17 years and later took jobs with Deserado Coal Mine in Colorado for nine years and recently worked for Watco for almost nine years. He was married to Lorna Ann Thorne from Shoshone for 25 years and raised his two daughters. He enjoyed remodeling, fishing, his grandchildren and riding his Harley.

He is survived by his two daughters, Stacie Torrey of Kuna, Idaho, and Jodie Howe (Jared) of Nampa, Idaho;



mother, Glenda Chadd (Don) of Twin Falls; sisters, MaryAnn Swinney (Berry), Amy Perkins (Casey) of Shoshone and Glenna Eden (Gary) of Shoshone; his three granddaughters, Haylie, Reese and Reily; and two grandsons, Cameron and Brett. He was preceded in death by his father, Eldon; two sisters, Robbyn Heath Setser and Julie Heath Peyman; and uncles, grandparents and nephews.

He will be greatly missed for his generosity and charismatic spirit. Those who knew Mike always enjoyed his good-natured spirit.

The funeral will be held at 11 a.m. Tuesday, Aug. 31, at the 1st Ward LDS Chapel, 847 Eastland Drive N. in Twin Falls, with Bishop Andrew Mix conducting. Burial will follow the service at 2 p.m. at Sunset Memorial Park in Twin Falls. A viewing for family and friends will be held from 6 to 8 p.m. Monday, Aug. 30, at Rosenau Funeral Home, 2826 Addison Ave. E. in Twin Falls, and one hour prior to the service Tuesday at the church.

Family and friends are encouraged to share their thoughts and memories of Michael at www.rosenaufuneralhome.com.

Frieda Agnes Darland Bottoms Hoffman

CARSON CITY, Nev. — Frieda Agnes Darland Bottoms Hoffman, 101, of Carson City, Nev., passed away Friday, Aug. 6, 2010, in Carson City, Nev.

She was born July 19, 1909, to Doane A. Darland and Mollie Barry in Meriden, Jefferson County, Kan. She moved to Buhl, Idaho, in 1922, where she grew up and married John Bottoms. After being left a widow, she worked and went to night school to learn bookkeeping. A hard-working single mom in the 1950s, she married Ira Hoffman. They bought and ran an orchard in Twin Falls, then a motel in Hailey.

They later returned to Twin Falls, where she was active in the Methodist Church, Eastern Star, Rainbow Girls and various social organizations. After retirement, they wintered in Blyth, Calif., for a few years.



Her wisdom and council were valued by those who knew her. She lived in Twin Falls much of her life, moving to Carson City, Nev., for the last few years.

She is survived by her son, Noel L. Bottoms of Gardnerville, Nev.; step-daughter, Sandra Hoffman Bodenstener of Boise; 11 grandchildren, nine great-grandchildren; two great-great-grandchildren; and many nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents; both husbands; a son, Duane E. Bottoms; and her siblings, Inez Hennessey, Edna Vosika and Goldie Darland.

A memorial service will be held at 3 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 4, at the First United Methodist Church in Twin Falls. In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations in her name to a favorite charity.

Dedrik Kade Rodriguez

Dedrik Kade Rodriguez, a 15-year-old resident of Twin Falls, went home to meet his Savior on Wednesday, Aug. 25, 2010.

Dedrik was born Oct. 17, 1994, in Boulder, Colo., the son of Nicole and Joel Rodriguez and Steve Lovato. Dedrik was entering his sophomore year at Lighthouse Christian School. He loved playing football and basketball. He played varsity football and basketball his freshman year.

Dedrik was very active in his youth group at Grace Community Church in Rupert. He spent his summer at church camp, youth fundraisers, and helping with the younger children and church. Dedrik was an amazing big brother to his brothers, Manny and Dru; and little sister, Mia. They loved working on making the world's largest water balloon and videos that they would post on Facebook. He recently replaced his love of his X-Box 360 with his new love of playing guitar.



Dedrik is survived by his parents, Nicole and Joel Rodriguez and Steve Lovato; his siblings, Manny, Dru and Mia; grandparents, Julie and John Seiwert of Kansas, Loretta and Pete Parkin of Rupert, Maria and Leonard Larsen of Colorado, Mary and Frank Lovato of Colorado and Eloisa Villareal (Georgia) Santos Rodriguez of Colorado. He was loved by numerous aunts and uncles and cousins as well. He was preceded in death by several great-grandparents and his uncle, Richard Lovato.

The funeral will be held at 1:30 p.m. Monday, Aug. 30, at the Light House Christian Church, 960 Eastland Drive in Twin Falls, with Pastor Travis Turner officiating. Services will conclude with a private family burial service.

Arrangements are under the direction of Hansen Mortuary Rupert Chapel.

A memorial fund in Dedrik's name may be donated to at any First Federal Bank.

Gerald D. Buffalo

HAZELTON — Gerald D. Buffalo, 68, of Hazelton, died Tuesday, Aug. 24, 2010, at his home.

Gerald was born Aug. 15, 1942, in Jacksonville, Texas, to Louis and Nellie Hamby Buffalo. He grew up and attended schools in Jacksonville and, at age 16, moved to Washington, where he worked at several jobs. For 13 years, he worked as a lead man for the Lighthouse for the Blind.

In 1972, Gerald married Shareen Davis at Auburn, Wash. The couple moved back to Texas to be near Gerald's family so that Gerald could care for his parents. They moved to Idaho in 2005, settling in Hazelton. For many years, Gerald made porch swings. He also enjoyed fishing, camping and hanging out with his family and friends.

Gerald is survived by his wife, Shareen of Hazelton; children, Marie (Bill) Bray of Port Townsend, Wash.,



Craig K. Struhs of Snohomish, Wash., Lehi (Linda) Star of Oak Harbor, Wash., Aaron (Rita) Birdsall of Florida and Ennis Ray Birdsall of Tennessee; his brothers, A.L.

Buffalo of Houston, Texas, Harold Buffalo of Denton, Texas, and Louie Buffalo Jr. of Jacksonville, Texas; sisters, Billie Jo Webb of Jacksonville, Texas, Mary Buffalo of Dallas, Texas, Jeannie Oakley of Jacksonville, Texas, and Bobbi Mae Buffalo of Frankston, Texas; 15 grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren. Gerald was preceded in death by his parents; one son, Nephi Paul Birdsall; one brother; and 1 sister.

A private service has taken place. Arrangements are under the direction of Reynolds Funeral Chapel of Twin Falls.

Those who wish to do so may leave condolences at www.reynoldschapel.com.

Darrell H 'Jerry' Baltzer

Darrell H "Jerry" Baltzer, 94, of Twin Falls, died peacefully at home Tuesday, Aug. 24, 2010, surrounded by his family.

Darrell was born Jan. 17, 1916, in Bethel, Mo., to Ola (Howerton) and Harry Baltzer. His father died when he was 6 years old and his widowed mother was left to raise him and a younger sister. At a very early age, he began to feel the responsibilities of "man of the house" and took every job he could get, thereby acquiring the name "Jerry" after a comic strip character, "Jerry on the Job." During high school, he worked at a mortuary, learned to barber and spent his summers working on a farm. There he learned work ethics that served him well all his life.

In 1935, Darrell graduated from high school in Brashear, Mo., worked in a service station and then came to Idaho in 1937 looking for work. On Jan. 24, 1941, Darrell married Irene Lopez at St. Edward's Catholic Church in Twin Falls and together, they raised their five children — Walt, Don, Janet, Jean and Ruth.

During World War II, Darrell enlisted in the Navy and served his country for two years in the South Pacific aboard USS LST 446. After his discharge in 1946, he returned to Twin Falls and worked at various jobs — gunsmithing, salesman for cars, farm machinery and auto parts. On Jan. 1, 1966, after 10 years as office manager for Herrett Handgun Stocks, he fulfilled the dream of his life to own his own business end started a trophy award shop known as Gem State Trophies. What started as a husband and wife venture became a flourishing business with several



employees and a very rewarding experience.

Hunting and rockhounding were Jerry's favorite hobbies and, upon retirement in 1980 when he sold the business to his son Walt, he and Irene traveled in their motor home and spent several months in Arizona in the winter. Darrell was a member of the Twin Falls Gun Club, Magic Valley Gem Club, Toastmasters and American Legion Post 7.

He is survived by Irene, his wife of 69 years; one son, Donald Baltzer of Coos Bay, Ore.; two daughters, Janet (Steve) Funk of Coeur d'Alene and Jean (Robert, deceased) MacDonald of Castle Rock, Colo.; 12 grandchildren; 20 great-grandchildren; in-laws, Loretta and Stan Fritzier of Jerome; "almost" family, Dolly Kidd and Linda and Howard Wilcox; as well as many nieces, nephews and very special friends. He was preceded in death by his daughter, Ruth; and son, Walt; his mother; and his stepfather, Shorty Conder; and his sister, Faye Purdy.

A viewing for family and friends will be held from 5 to 7 p.m. Sunday Aug. 29, with a rosary service to follow at 7 p.m. at Reynold's Funeral Chapel, 2466 Addison Ave. E. in Twin Falls. The funeral Mass will take place on at 10 a.m. Monday, Aug. 30, at St. Edwards the Confessor Catholic Church.

Memorials may be made to St. Edward's Building Fund or to a favorite charity. Jerry was a "people" person — loved to visit, swap stories and jokes; so for him, we, the family, say thank you to all who came to see him.

Messages of condolence can be left at www.reynoldschapel.com.

SERVICES

LaRene Whitaker of Burley, funeral at 11 a.m. Monday at Malta LDS Church; visitation from 6 to 8 p.m. today at Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St. in Burley, and 10 to 10:45 a.m. Monday at the church.

Korvan Blake Welch of Heyburn, funeral at 2 p.m. Monday at Heyburn LDS 1st Ward Chapel, 530 Villa Drive; visitation from 6 to 8 p.m. today and 1 to 1:45 p.m. Monday at the church (Morrison Funeral Home and Crematory in Rupert).

Dino D. Castaldi of Jerome, memorial service at 2 p.m. Monday at Farnsworth Mortuary, 1343 S. Lincoln in Jerome.

Elizabeth B. Stutzman of Pocatello and formerly of Burley, gathering for family

and friends from 2 to 4 p.m. Monday at Wilkes Funeral Home, 211 W. Chubbuck Road in Chubbuck (Hansen Mortuary Rupert Chapel).

Artha (Moore) Richardson of Boise, formerly of Buhl, memorial service at 1 p.m. Tuesday at Relyea Funeral Chapel, 318 N. Latah St. in Boise; reception follows.

Vivian Louise Schuppens Venable Marcellus of Shoshone, ceremony at 3 p.m. Tuesday at the Shoshone Cemetery.

Kathleen McCullen Armstrong of Chiloquin, Ore., memorial service at 5 p.m. Tuesday at the Ascension Episcopal Church in Twin Falls; celebration of life follows at the Rock Creek Restaurant, 200 Addison Ave. W. in Twin Falls.

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Virgil W. Hampton II

GOODING — Virgil W. Hampton II, 53, passed away Monday, Aug. 23, 2010, at his home.

Virgil was born June 29, 1957, in Mountain Home, Idaho, the son of Virgil and Karen Hampton. Virgil attended school in Gooding. He entered the U.S. Air Force in 1975 and traveled all over the world as a C-5 Loadmaster/Instructor with the 75th MAS Squadron at Travis Air Force Base, Calif. Virgil retired in



1995 and settled in Gooding, where he became a long-haul truck driver for Doug Andrus out of Idaho Falls. After that, he worked for Gnesa Excavating as a scraper operator.

Virgil is survived by his two daughters, Martha (Kevin) Youngblood of Kimberly and Karenlee Hampton of Twin Falls; two brothers, Mike (Tawna) Hampton of Glenns Ferry and Doug (Debbie) Hampton of Gooding; seven grandchildren; and several

nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents.

Virgil will be remembered as a loving father, brother, grandfather, uncle and a friend to many people in his life.

A memorial service will be conducted at 3 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 31, at Demaray Funeral Service, Gooding Chapel, with the Rev. Andy Morris officiating. Military honors will follow. Condolences may be sent at www.demarayfuneralservice.com.

Corie Lynn (Fuller) Grijalva

Corie Lynn (Fuller) Grijalva joined the heavenly angels Friday, Aug. 27, 2010, at her home, with her family by her side after a long, hard battle with cancer.



Corie was born Sept. 8, 1972, in Idaho Falls, Idaho, the daughter of Barry and Julia Fuller. She was mainly raised in the Twin Falls and Hansen area, where she attended school. Corie graduated from Magic Valley Alternative School. On May 25, 1991, she married Jason Grijalva of Hansen. Corie was blessed with three children, Sabrina, Curtis and Felicia, and also had a stepson, Nathan Fuller of South Dakota. Corie's children were her life. She always worked hard to give them a good life.

Corie was a hard worker. She gave many years of her life taking care of other people's loved ones. She worked for different local nursing homes over the years as a CNA. She was also attending college at CSI to be a nurse until she had to discontinue due to her illness. All of the residents of the nursing homes loved her; she was always well known for teasing all her co-workers. Corie was always willing to lend a helping hand. She spent many hours alongside her dad on some project or another. They were always tearing apart or fixing something. Corie was a great lover of the outdoors; camping, riding motorcycles and, most of all, softball were her greatest pastimes. She loved spending time with her family. Family was very important to her. She was greatly loved by all of us and will be

deeply missed. God bless you, Corie, and may you rest in peace.

Corie is survived by her husband, Jason Grijalva of Twin Falls; her children, Sabrina Grijalva, Curtis Grijalva and Felicia Fuller, all of Hansen; a stepson, Nathan Fuller of South Dakota; parents, Barry and Julia Fuller of Hansen; sisters, Johna (Todd) Helmer of Twin Falls and Windy (Eric) Walgamott of Jerome; and many aunts, uncles, nieces and nephews. Corie was preceded in death by her Granny Barb, Grandpa and Grandma Wynia, brother in

law; Jay Grijalva and cousins; Kimberly Quinton and RC Fuller.

A memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 4, at the Jerome Bible Baptist Church, 132 Second Ave. E. (behind the courthouse), with a celebration of life luncheon at the Moose Lodge, 835 Falls Ave. in Twin Falls immediately following the service. Cremation is under the direction of White Mortuary "Chapel by the Park."

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions in Corie's name may be made to Snake River Credit Union, in care of Johna Helmer, P.O. Box 2967, Twin Falls, ID 83303-2967.

Danny Jose Gonzales Sr.

RUPERT — Danny Jose Gonzales Sr., 69, of Rupert, passed away Wednesday, Aug. 25, 2010, as the result of a car accident.



Danny was born Dec. 3, 1940, in Capulin, Colo., to Dorfo and Ofelia Gonzales. He lived in Colorado during his younger years. Then the family migrated between Utah and Idaho, finally settling in Idaho. He worked at Rupert Iron Works for many years and then started his own welding business. Danny loved fishing and making piggy banks out of metal

and tortilla warmers (comals).

He is survived by his wife, Mary Louise Gonzales; children, Debbie Rowlett of Twin Falls, Linda (Cleotilde) Tamayo of

Kourtney, Devin, Mykia, Breanna, Jasper, Beyonce, Jakob, Elias and Kaitlyn; brothers, Leo, Tom, Alex and Steve; and sisters, Edith, Leraine, Betty, Sally and Lucille. He was preceded in death by his parents; brother, Bernie; and sister, Eva.

The funeral will be held at 11 a.m. Tuesday, Aug. 31, at Hansen Mortuary, 710 Sixth St. in Rupert, with Pastor Daniel Coto officiating. Burial will follow at the Rupert Cemetery. Friends may call from 6 to 8 p.m. Monday, Aug. 30, and one hour prior to the service Tuesday at the mortuary.

Elnora A. Jennings

Elnora A. Jennings finished a long and adventurous life of joy Thursday, Aug. 26, 2010.



Born of humble beginnings to Arthur Guy and Stella Jacka in Beverly, Kan., on Dec. 14, 1920, Elnora and her five siblings joined her mother in the household of Gene Helms in Twins Falls, Idaho, in 1931. A child of the Great Depression and a divorced mother, circumstances could have had a negative influence on Elnora. Instead, Elnora always had a smile for friends, strangers and enemies alike and was always quick with jokes (even if a bit off-color at times). She finished at Twin Falls High School in 1938 and started her career as a wife and mother in 1940 with her marriage to Lewis W. Jennings.

Lewis and Elnora loved their home-raised quarter horses that they utilized to help recover travelers lost in the South Hills region of Hansen, Idaho. Their love of animals moved them to help found the Twin Falls Frontier

Riding Club and also to raise toy terriers at their home. Elnora and Lewis were blessed with their loving daughter, Irene, on Aug. 25, 1943. They instilled in their only child

their love of animals, an ear for music and an appreciation for the discipline learned from the hard times of the Great Depression. Most of all, she gained much from Elnora's endless humor and zest for life.

These values Irene passed along to her eight children, all of whom were directly favored with Elnora's youthful spirit and boundless energy.

Elnora earned a living outside the home as well in the years when women were not particularly welcome in the workplace, which is especially indicative of her indomitable spirit. She spent 27 years at local retailer Newberry's, including seven years as assistant manager. She supported herself after her husband's passing in 1987 by working at Twin Falls Bank

and Trust until 1994, when her boundless spirit and undefeatable youth pressed her to travel the wide lands of the USA and Canada. After retiring, Elnora directed her free time volunteering at the Kimberly Senior Center, the Perrine Bridge Visitors Center, Stricker Ranch in Rock Creek and the Filer Museum, among others.

By 2010, Elnora's legacy included 23 great-grandchildren and 1,000 pairs of earrings: humorous, frivolous, fun, outlandish and well-loved; a minor tribute to a long life well lived. But that is nothing compared to the enriched lives, bold hearts and loving spirits she cultivated in her 89 years of generosity and compassion.

You can help celebrate her life with us on Monday, Aug. 30, 2010, with a viewing at Reynolds Funeral Chapel at 9:30 a.m. and a funeral service at 11 a.m.; interment at Sunset Memorial Park in Twin Falls will follow immediately. There will be a luncheon following the service at the Kimberly Christian Church.

DEATH NOTICES

Natalie J. Oakes

Natalie Jean Oakes, 68, of Twin Falls, died Thursday, Aug. 26, 2010, at St. Luke's Magic Valley Medical Center. Arrangements will be announced by Reynolds Funeral Chapel in Twin Falls.

Laurie L. Klier

Laurie L. Klier, 83, of Twin Falls, died Friday, Aug. 27, 2010, at the Creek Care Center in Kimberly. Arrangements are under the care of Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home of Twin Falls.

William Edwards

William Edwards, 57, of Twin Falls, died Saturday, Aug. 28, 2010, while camping near Featherville.

Arrangements will be announced by Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home of Twin Falls.

Bette Reid

Bette Reid, 75, of Twin Falls, died Saturday, Aug. 28, 2010, at Cedar Draw Assisted Living in Twin Falls. No service is planned (Rosenau Funeral Home in Twin Falls).

Wilma B. Brennan

FILER — Wilma Belle Brennan, 88, of Filer, died Saturday, Aug. 28, 2010, at

her home. Arrangements will be announced by Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home of Twin Falls.

James B. Fairchild

James B. Fairchild, 78, of Twin Falls, died Friday, Aug. 27, 2010, at St. Luke's Magic Valley Medical Center.

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

Clara H. Joa

MCMINNVILLE, Ore. — Clara Harriett Maele Joa, 93,

of McMinnville, Ore., and formerly of Twin Falls and Jerome, died Friday, June 11, 2010, in McMinnville, Ore.

A graveside service will be held at 2 p.m. Friday, Sept. 3, at Sunset Memorial Park in Twin Falls. (Macy and Son Funeral Directors in McMinnville, Ore.)

Virgil Twitchell

JEROME — Virgil Twitchell, 87, of Jerome, died Saturday, Aug. 28, 2010, in Jerome. Arrangements will be announced by Farnsworth Mortuary of Jerome.



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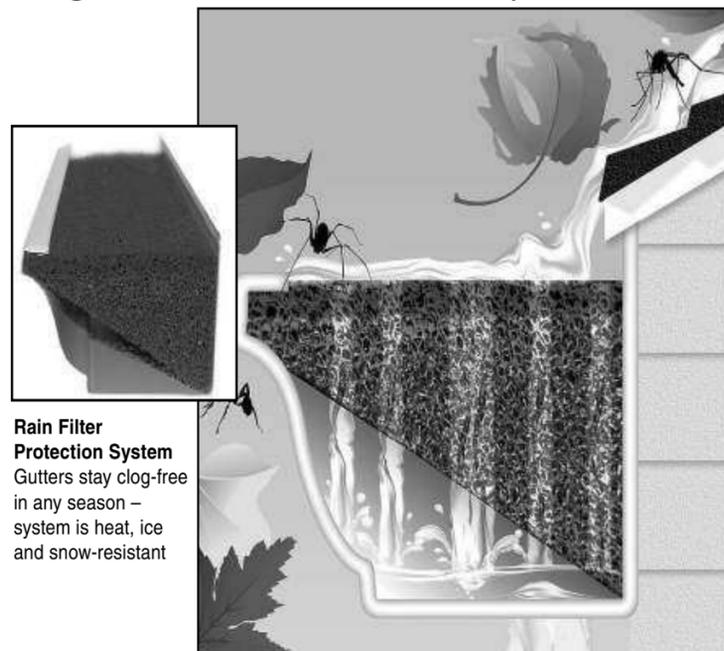


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Medicare expands coverage to help smokers quit

By Ricardo Alonso-Zaldivar
Associated Press writer

WASHINGTON — They've lived with the health warnings about smoking for much of their lives and doubtless seen the ill effects on friends, relatives and even themselves, yet about 4.5 million older people in the U.S. keep on lighting up.

Medicare is finally catching up to most private insurers by providing counseling for anyone on the program who's trying to kick the habit.

Dr. Barry Straube, Medicare's chief medical officer, says it's never too late to quit, even for lifelong smokers.

"The elderly can respond to smoking cessation counseling even if they have been smoking for 30 years or more," says Straube. "We do know we can see a reduction

in the death rate and complications from smoking-related illnesses." Not only cancer, heart disease and lung problems, which can kill, but also gastric reflux, osteoporosis and other ailments that undermine quality of life.

Smoking-related illnesses cost Medicare tens of billions a year. Straube cites a two-decade estimate of \$800 billion, from 1995 through 2015.

Medicare already covers drugs used to help smokers quit, as well as counseling for those who have developed a smoking-related illness. But starting immediately, the program will expand the benefit to cover up to eight counseling sessions a year for people who want to quit.

Next year, such counseling will be free, under a provision in President Barack

Obama's health care law that eliminates co-payments for preventive services.

Older smokers often don't get as much attention from doctors as do younger ones. "They just figure, 'Well, it's too late,'" said Straube, that the damage is already done. That may start to change now.

About one in 10 seniors smoke, compared with one in five people among the U.S. population as a whole. It turns out that smokers age 65 and older present a medical paradox.

Many started when it was fashionable to light up. They are more likely than younger smokers to be seriously hooked on nicotine and less likely to attempt quitting. But research shows that their odds of success are greater if they do try to give up the habit.

Older smokers who

receive counseling are significantly more likely to quit than those who only get standard medical care. One study of elderly heart attack patients found that those who got counseling to help quit smoking were more

likely to be alive five years later.

It's unclear why older people who try to quit have better luck than younger smokers.

Some experts think it's because older smokers are

more motivated, perhaps from having seen a loved one die of cancer or heart disease, or by recognizing how the cigarette habit has left its mark in their own bodies, anything from wrinklier skin to shortness of breath.

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'Vapor trail' leads to Paris Hilton's arrest

LAS VEGAS (AP) — Smoke wafting from a Cadillac Escalade on the Las Vegas Strip ignited Paris Hilton's latest legal troubles late Friday, when a motorcycle officer who suspected the smell was marijuana stopped the vehicle and police say a bag of cocaine



Hilton

fell out of the 29-year-old socialite's purse. It's the second time this year Hilton has been arrested on drug possession allegations, although authorities in South Africa dropped marijuana charges earlier this summer. In 2007, Hilton pleaded no contest to alcohol-related reckless driving and was sentenced to 45 days in jail.

This time, the hotel heiress was with her boyfriend, Las Vegas nightclub mogul Cy Waits, who manages a club inside the Wynn Las Vegas and was driving the black SUV that the officer stopped nearby at 11:22 p.m. Friday.

The officer "followed the vapor trail and the odor of marijuana to the Escalade," police Sgt. John Sheahan said.

As other police arrived and a crowd gathered on the busy neon-lit Strip, Hilton asked to go into the Wynn resort for privacy, Sheahan said.

"Miss Hilton pulled out a tube of lip balm," Sheahan said. "At the same time ... a bundle of cocaine in a plastic bag came out of her purse" in plain view of police in the room.

Police Officer Marcus Martin characterized the cocaine as a "small amount," or a package of the size usually associated with personal use. Police would not specify the weight of the cocaine or whether any marijuana was confiscated.

Hilton was arrested on suspicion of felony cocaine possession. If convicted of the low-grade felony, she would get probation, but any violation of that probation would be punishable by up to one to four years in Nevada state prison.

Waits, 34, was arrested on suspicion of misdemeanor driving under the influence of alcohol or drugs. Misdemeanors are punishable by up to a year in county jail. Police said he owned the 2009 Cadillac.

Hilton and Waits were booked into the Clark County jail, where Sheahan said Hilton was kept handcuffed on a booking room bench, fingerprinted, photographed and released without bail about 2:45 a.m. Saturday.

Police find drugs hidden inside chunk of bologna

HOLYOKE, Mass. (AP) — A Massachusetts man has been arrested after a kilogram of cocaine hidden inside a hollowed out chunk of bologna was delivered to his home.

Holyoke police say they were tipped off by postal inspectors in Puerto Rico who had been investigating similar shipments. A dog confirmed the presence of drugs and the bologna was cut open.

The meat was then repackaged and an under-

cover postal inspector delivered it to a Holyoke address at about 4:45 p.m. on Thursday where a woman sitting on the front steps signed for it.

Police then executed a search warrant and arrested 30-year-old Juan Rodriguez on a cocaine trafficking charge. He is scheduled to be arraigned Friday. It was not immediately clear if he had a lawyer.

Police say the cocaine had a street value of \$100,000. The investigation is ongoing.



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EDITORIAL

Another big burn, more hard feelings

Anytime a piece of real estate the size of Los Angeles goes up in smoke, emotions run high. And they're lingering as the Bureau of Land Management mops up the 306,000-acre Long Butte Fire in Gooding, Twin Falls and Elmore counties.

Ranchers complain that BLM firefighters were slow off the mark, and that when they called 911 for help they were told there was no fire or that crews were on their way, with no results.

Those complaints echo what the BLM heard after the 653,000-acre Murphy Complex Fire in Twin Falls and Owyhee counties three years ago.

"It was not possible to have people everywhere you wanted them," Twin Falls District BLM Fire Management Officer Chris Simonson said of the Long Butte blaze. "That's just a lot of fire. I don't know how else to describe it. There was more than we could handle locally with the resources we have."

At one point last Sunday, the conflagration was growing by 15 acres per minute. The BLM only had had six to eight trucks initially to dispatch.

Our view: It takes a public-private partnership to control wildfires.

What do you think?

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

The agency had its frustrations too, with reports of ranchers setting backfires on their own.

"It's an uncontrolled environment," said Loren Good, principal investigator with the BLM. "If the firefighters don't know that there are other fires, they could get trapped."

We like rancher John Faulkner's idea of organizing a rancher-driven firefighting agency. But to do that, he'd have to get around federal land management rules.

At the beginning of the Murphy Complex Fire in 2007, for example, privately-owned bulldozers were available to dig fire lines. But the BLM said no thanks.

"Do you have to have an anthropologist in front (documenting) arrowheads?" Sen. Larry Craig said at the time. "They have locked themselves up (with rules). That's what the BLM has done."

Bert Brackett, a state senator and the highest-profile south-central Idaho rancher who uses public lands, has long been supportive of the way the BLM does its job in this area.

But he complains that valuable knowledge gets lost when local fire experts are replaced on big fires by incident command groups that don't know anything about the area. And bigger operations become harder to manage and slower to progress, Brackett said, contributing to local frustrations.

"I call it a flaw," he said. "I think it was present in the Murphy fire and in this fire."

But Brackett and other ranchers say the culprit isn't the BLM; it's environmental groups going to court to block grazing on public lands. That leaves overgrown rangeland just waiting for the right combination of spark, wind and humidity.

"The Murphy Complex Fire occurred to a significant degree due to successful land management activities designed to benefit watersheds and wildlife, as well as for domestic livestock, but unsuccessful land management activities designed to annually remove or consume the resulting grass, forb and shrub production," Brackett said in 2007. "These unsuccessful land management activities have occurred in part due to (Hailey-based Western Watersheds Project) repeatedly and erroneously tying the BLM's hands from allowing the removal or consumption of this resulting production."

WWP hotly disputes that assertion, but it's hard to argue with a rancher whose cattle are threatened that more grazing would reduce the fire risk.

Perhaps you can fault the BLM or not having more resources available in a fire-prone area during a dry summer, but there's no way grazing land can be protected unless ranchers work closely with the agency.



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The \$220 million, 700,000-square foot St. Luke's Magic Valley medical center is scheduled to open next spring.

VITAL SIGNS

Why health care is driving Idaho's recovery

By Gov. C.L. "Butch" Otter

It's easy to get excited about the prospects for Idaho's economic future when you look at our health care businesses. They represent one of our fastest-growing industries, creating lots of career opportunities for our citizens in every corner of the state and enthusiastically participating in my Project 60 effort to grow Idaho's economy.

Health care jobs are expected to grow by 14 percent nationally and 21 percent in Idaho over the next decade, with an average wage of more than \$40,000 a year.

Idaho's largest private employer — with 8,289 employees — is Boise-based St. Luke's Health System, which has facilities in four Idaho cities. Saint Alphonsus Regional Medical Center, also based in Boise, also is among Idaho's top 10 employers, with 3,390 workers.

An area of health care even larger than hospitals, in terms of employment and wages, is the sector that includes clinics, specialists and private medical offices. This sector added 11,100 jobs over the past decade and is expected to grow by another 25 percent in the next decade. Then there are nursing facilities, residential care facilities, insurance carriers and social assistance — all areas

ST. LUKE'S IMPACT

Category	St. Luke's MV	St. Luke's Wood River	St. Luke's Health System
• Funds generated	\$206.5 million	\$46.5 million	\$1 billion
• Salaries and employee benefits	\$87.4 million	\$22.7 million	\$452.9 million
• Medical supplies and medication	\$31.3 million	\$6.3 million	\$180.9 million
• Community benefit services	\$3.2 million	\$640,993	\$24.6 million
• Contracts, purchased services	\$43.6 million	\$5.2 million	\$223.4 million
• Equipment and facilities	\$54.9 million	\$10.6 million	\$159.4 million
• Money used to provide care	\$220.5 million	\$46.5 million	\$1 billion
• Philanthropic support	\$375,244	\$1 million	\$6.7 million

— Source: St. Luke's Health System 2009 annual report

projected to grow by double digits.

Those impressive numbers are driven, in part, by the nearly \$1.5 billion that Medicaid contributes to Idaho's economy through more than 11,000 health care providers throughout the state — all the more reason to quickly and completely iron out complications with our new benefits contractor to ensure those payments are made promptly and efficiently.

In recent years, health care facilities also have been heavy investors in Idaho. As a group, Idaho's hospitals have invested more than \$400 million here in the past few years. And the industry expects to invest three times that much or more in Idaho over the next decade.

Take a look at what's happening all over Idaho: **• St. Luke's**, already the state's largest private employer, is still hiring, with 350 open positions

right now. It already has grown by 1,600 employees in the past year. St. Luke's now has Idaho's largest commercial construction project — a \$220 million, 700,000-square-foot facility being built in Twin Falls. St. Luke's Magic Valley Medical Center employs an average of 350 construction workers at the site each day, and the new hospital is scheduled to open next spring.

• Last fall, St. Luke's purchased two vacant Micron Technology buildings in Boise, investing nearly \$20 million to transform them into a new central laboratory and central laundry facility. It also invested several million dollars in expansions of its Cardiac Cath Labs in Meridian and development of a Cardiac Rehabilitation Center. Over the next decade, St. Luke's alone plans to invest \$1 billion in new facilities and equipment in Idaho.

• The new \$220 million Portneuf Medical Center being built in Pocatello will open next year. The medical center has 1,300 employees — with an additional 400 jobs during the construction — and is the largest taxpayer in Bannock County.

• Saint Alphonsus spent \$10.5 million in the past year to improve patient access to health care and maintain its quality of care. Improvements included a \$2.9 million expansion of its physician network, a \$2.1 million electronic medical record system, \$4.6 million in improvements to equipment and facilities, and nearly \$1 million in laboratory automation technologies. The hospital also spent more than twice that much in community and charitable services. Meanwhile, St. Al's has increased its employee count by nearly

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There's a lot to like in Canada — really

By Jim Kershner
 Spokesman-Review
 (Spokane, Wash)

We were talking with a nice couple from Calgary last weekend when the husband asked, "Do you really like Canada or are you just saying that to be polite?"

Awww. That's so Canadian.

We don't say things to be polite. We're Americans.

So for me, at least, the answer is yes, I really do like Canada. And I am particularly enamored of that entire



Editor's note: Westword is a weekly sampling of opinion from newspapers and other media in the West.

country right now, having just returned from a trip to Cranbrook, Fernie and Waterton Lakes National Park (the park that sits atop

Glacier National Park like a tuque).

So here are a few of the reasons I love visiting our neighbors to the north:

• Tim Horton's: Yeah, it's probably no more exciting than Jack-In-The-Box if you're used to it, but I had never before had a Bagel BELT. A BELT is like a BLT with an E added. At least I'm fairly certain that was an egg. Knowing Canada, it could have been an escargot.

• The two-dollar coin: Admit it. It really does make sense at a time when one dollar (Canadian or American)

seems so insubstantial.

• Kilometers: I don't think the U.S. should do anything rash, like convert to metric along with the rest of the world. But I love it when Canada shows distances in kilometers instead of miles. It makes me feel like I'm getting places extra fast.

Yet these are all superficial reasons for loving Canada. On this trip, I realized the true, overwhelming, essential reason for loving Canada: There's so darn much of it.

And so few people to mess

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Are Filer students' grades evened up, too?

I thought the article in the sports section Wednesday, Aug. 18, about the Filer School Board was very interesting.

It appears the School Board is trying to do the job of the athletic director, head coach and even assistant coaches.

There appears to be one board member who feels the board has the responsibility to make sure the playing field is even for everyone and no one gets a "leg up."

Does this mean the school board takes A's from those that earn them and gives them to those that get F's so that no one fails? You know - make the playing field level for everyone.

BYRD GOLAY
Kimberly

Trip highlights value of living in Magic Valley

Coming back to Jerome after taking a three-week vacation to San Jose, Calif., I realized that the Magic Valley area was worth retiring to for the past six years with less driving stress and living stress in general.

As my friend, Peter Levianskiy, reminds me, there are good people and bad people no matter where you live as the Magic Valley is probably a microcosm of our present-day American culture.

Highlights of the vacation were a visit with my wife's cousin's son, Patrick, who is special as he is a bit slow.

Patrick, who is 20 years old, showed me his trophy designating his selection as the most inspirational player on the Yerba Buena High School football team as well as his high school diploma and revealing to me he is at present a student at Merced College as well as the California Special Olympics power-lift champion, having dead-lifted 500 pounds at a body weight of 160 pounds.

Patrick said, "Dave, when they tell me I can't do something, guess what, I do it." Pretty inspirational stuff I needed to hear.

Speaking of good people, we have many in the Magic Valley, as I am thinking of Jody, Rich and Dean at the Golden Corral. Jody has, for the past six years, been the best waitress I can imagine as her attitude is so refreshing not only to myself but to the thousands of others she has served since the Golden Corral opened years ago.

I am also thinking of Pastor Toney who has helped hundreds get off drugs and alcohol; John Krebs who has donated a hall to help people with addiction problems; Karen Bach and her son, Kenneth, who labor relentlessly at New Hope Transitions; Janet Sloan (probably the best property manager that I have ever had or met) and just countless others who make the community worth living in.

These are but a few of the reflections as I return to Magic Valley.
DAVE DAVIS
Jerome

Voters can take down the wall of 'no'

There was a time in our history that if a person profited or provided false intelligence during wartime, they would face a firing squad.

It is now an established fact that our administration knew that Iraq was years away from being able to launch a nuclear attack on anyone. Yet they insisted we were in extreme danger and must immediately declare war on Iraq. Millions of people have been killed, maimed or displaced by this false information, yet no one has been brought to justice.

Now, when our president attempts to rebuild our country for our middle class, he is faced with a Berlin Wall of Republican senators. Their only answer is "No," with no attempt to propose any alternate solutions. Their cry of despair is the national debt will ruin us. Yet when Cheney was promoting yet another tax cut for the super wealthy, he said, "Debt does not matter."

The Republican senators have formed a Berlin Wall to prevent any progressive action by our president.

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With courage, we can destroy that wall this November. Vote them out of office.
MATT SMITH
Twin Falls

Muslims may worship but not mock

The cover of the most recent issue of *Time* magazine asks "Is America Islamophobic?" "Islamophobic" insinuates that Americans have an irrational fear of Islam. Muslims have killed thousands of Americans at home and abroad in recent years. They would be delighted to kill millions more. They call the United States "The Great Satan." Muslims need not look surprised when Americans question their motives when they have gone out of their way to express hatred toward this nation and its people in so many ways and in so many places. Maybe Islam is "Americaphobic."

Has any Muslim given any logical reason why they wish to build a mosque at Park 51? I believe that their motive is to mock us. They have every right to worship but they have no right to mock the United States and its citizens who died on 9/11.

Only a few Japanese were radicals in 1941, but Pearl Harbor still happened. Only a few Germans were radicals in the 1930s and 1940s, but the gas chambers were still built and used to annihilate Jews. Only a few Muslims are radicals. I regret that peaceful, loyal Americans who are of the Muslim faith suffer for the hatred and violence of their radical brothers and sisters, but they need to realize that it is the radicals of their own

religion who cause their pain.
JOHN ELLIS
Twin Falls

Secondhand smoke study details lacking

Only in the USA the numbers of deaths caused by secondhand smoke is still being counted. The rest of the world the count is still zero. Other countries did conduct their own test and found no trace. These anti-smoking groups (USA-based) continue to make claims about smoking and have yet to reveal any details of their studies. They just say "studies show."

Where are the details for these studies? Did they test for the additives used in these smokes? American tobacco companies have been putting additives in their tobacco products to produce different flavors. Most of these additives are common items used in food products and are FDA approved. Ingesting these additives is OK, but putting them in your lungs could be bad for you.

Is smoking really bad for you? We do not know. Additive-free tobacco may be OK. If you have a weak heart or lungs, smoking is a bad idea. If you want to test your heart and lungs, two packs a day should do it.

Other comments: Who puts the twist tie on a loaf of bread and other products? Which way will they twist it? Clockwise or counter clockwise? Some products are now in plastic packs that are welded together. Convenient for who? Certainly not for the consumer. Can they make a safety seal that does not require a sharp object to get

it open? Can they make a pull tab that actually works? Daylight saving time is for politicians so they can get an extra hour of golf. All the problems with prostitution are created by the laws that prohibit it.

FRED MAYER
Glenns Ferry

Burley High attendees can meet on website

Clyde Brinegar (Burley High School Class of 1976) has been organizing a fun idea for those who attended Burley High in the '70s; he has made a website to stay in touch (burleyfans.com) and is organizing a joint '70s class reunion for next July.

Please help us out by joining the site or letting others you know who attended BHS during those years be aware of it.

KATHY LOVELESS
MARKER
Burley

Three candidates offer bipartisan spirit

I am strongly supporting three candidates in the November election. They are Keith Allred for governor, Stan Olson for state superintendent of schools and Gary Eller for county commissioner.

It is not their party affiliation that attracts me; it is their bipartisan spirit and willingness to be open to input from everyday Idahoans. Ideology and partisanship don't easily solve problems because they start out with the answers before the problem is studied from all sides. When you look at the statements all of these men have made, they stress listening to stakeholders and seeking solutions from a wide range of ideas. The three of them have track records of leadership and problem solving.

Allred successfully guided The Common Interest as an organization dedicated to studying state issues and finding consensus solutions to propose to the Legislature. Olson is

coming off of a career spent guiding school districts - most recently in Boise - to educational success. Eller has a career of military management and, recently, a thoughtful blog for the *Times-News*, "In the Middle."

There are no easy answers for the problems we face in Idaho and in Twin Falls. These men are willing to take on tough challenges, and I urge you to join me in giving them a chance.
LINDA BRUGGER
Twin Falls

Tragedy hit Filipino community hard

I wanted to comment on the article, "Ex-policeman in Philippines holds tourists hostage." I have a friend, Edna, who lives in the Philippines. Now, I have to help her cope with the tragedy every day. The Filipinos are very emotional people. This tragedy has hit the entire Filipino community very hard. Her daughter could have been on the bus. We got in a very heated discussion about it with Edna and her co-workers at a Filipino hospital. She wishes it had a different outcome.

I often wonder why we can't learn to live without crime and violence. Why? My way of coping with tragedies like this was with writing a book. My book, *Creeton*, online at <http://publishamerica.com> denounces murders, crime and violence.

My Filipina friend, Edna, and I thank you for printing the story.
BOYD THOMAS
LONDON
Fairfield

Kori & Kyle Miley,

Thank you so much for being the best kids ever through my Military deployments.

Love you the world Mom

Vital

Continued from Opinion 1

100 over the past year.

• **Eastern Idaho Regional Medical Center** in Idaho Falls broke ground in July on a \$20 million expansion and renovation of its Women & Infants Center. The project creates 140 construction-related jobs, and another 20 permanent jobs will be created when construction is completed. EIRMC is the third-largest employer in Bonneville County, with 1,374 employees earning an average of \$26.51 per hour.

• **Mountain View Hospital** in Idaho Falls spent \$11 million to expand its facility last year, doubling the number of in-patient rooms and expanding several other areas. The expansion led to a 14 percent increase in the hospital's employment, to 421 people, and an increase in payroll by 24 percent. This year, Mountain View is expanding again, building a transitional care facility with partner Ball Ventures. The \$5 million facility opens

IDAHO'S BIGGEST EMPLOYERS

Rank	Employer	Employment
1.	St. Luke's Health System	7,000-8,000
2.	Wal-Mart	6,000-7,000
3.	Micron Technology	5,000-6,000
4.	University of Idaho	4,000-5,000
5.	Meridian School District	4,000-5,000
6.	Boise State University	4,000-5,000
7.	Albertsons/SuperValu	4,000-5,000
8.	Battelle Energy Alliance	3,000-4,000
9.	Boise School District	3,000-4,000
10.	BYU Idaho	3,000-4,000
11.	Idaho State University	3,000-4,000
12.	J.R. Simplot	3,000-4,000
13.	Idaho Dept. of Health and Welfare	3,000-4,000
14.	Saint Alphonsus Med. Center	2,000-3,000
15.	U.S. Postal Service	2,000-3,000
16.	Hewlett-Packard	2,000-3,000
17.	Fred Meyer/Smith's/Kroger	2,000-3,000

— Source: Idaho Department of Labor

this month and will create 50 new jobs once it is fully operational.

• **Regence Blue Shield**, with operations in four states, has made a significant commitment to Idaho. In Lewiston, it built a 57,000-square-foot building in 2006 and expanded it in 2008. The company

cites its commitment to Lewiston and Idaho's solid workforce as reasons it stays here rather than putting those resources into other locations in Oregon, Utah and Washington. In recent years, Regence Blue Shield has opened new locations in Twin Falls and Coeur d'Alene, as well as

keeping an office in Pocatello. Its employment in Idaho has grown from 484 in 2001 to 767 in 2010, and it plans to keep growing here.

• **Bingham Memorial Hospital** in Blackfoot is nearly finished with its multimillion-dollar construction and remodeling projects, including a sky bridge connecting the hospital to a new medical office plaza. Ninety-nine percent of the work on the office project was performed by Idaho workers, and the hospital itself has nearly tripled its employment to more than 600 since 2005.

Health care costs and availability are grabbing national headlines every day. But in Idaho, the growth of career and economic opportunities in health care fields is the real news. And there is much more to come.

Butch Otter, a Republican from Star, is completing his first term as Idaho's governor.

Lordy, Lordy Look Who's 40!
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Affirmative action's time is up; the politics have changed

The biggest blow to affirmative action in its nearly 50 years of existence was the election of Barack Obama to the presidency of the United States. Not because Obama is against the policy (he is, as on so many issues, nuanced in his support, i.e. he believes it should exist but not extend to his children) but because his election was widely perceived as being reflective of a profound shift in the country's racial balance.

I am so convinced of this that I think to avoid a destructive white backlash in the face of a rapidly diversifying society, the president should call for an end to affirmative action. In a "Nixon goes to China" sort of way, Obama — by virtue of his racial background, party affiliation and political temperament — is better poised to pull off such a difficult task more gracefully than any other politician.

Ideally, policy, like politics, is the art of the possible. No matter how good its intentions or outcomes, the benefits of any policy should clearly outweigh the social costs. When affirmative action was established, it was intended to benefit a small percentage of the U.S. population, but as the rationale and scope of the program evolved, so did the number of people it included. Large-scale post-1965 immigration also complicated the equation and ultimately upset the political calculus that made affirmative action politically viable.

Not surprisingly, California became the first state to abolish state-sanctioned affirmative action in



Gregory Rodriguez

education and contracts, through a ballot initiative in 1996. That's not because white voters here, who overwhelmingly supported the measure, have more negative feelings toward minorities. Nor is it because they are more committed to fairness and absolute color-blindness than Anglos elsewhere. It happened here, quite simply, because minorities were fast approaching 50% of the population and whites felt that the playing field had tilted against them.

Is there hard evidence that whites are hurt by affirmative action? No. Over the course of four decades of the program, white educational attainment has increased. And whites still make up the vast majority of federal employees. Have blacks or Latinos reached parity with whites in employment and income? Not even close. In fact, during this recession, they lag behind whites for higher-paying jobs at the largest rates in a decade.

But such data are not likely to change the growing perception among whites that the deck has been stacked against them. The number of court cases in which whites claim reverse discrimination is going up, and we're routinely hearing the cries of white minority victimhood. And it's not

just coming from white nationalists.

Conservative *New York Times* columnist Ross Douthat has argued that the culture of affirmative action in the Ivy Leagues is not only depriving poor whites of a shot at entering the nation's elite schools but fueling "racially tinged conspiracy theories" such as those claiming that the

president is a foreign-born commie. Conservative Democratic Sen. Jim Webb of Virginia essentially argued in a *Wall Street Journal* op-ed that plenty of white folk have it rough too and that affirmative action only makes things rougher.

Calls to scrap affirmative action will only grow more fervent as the rest of the nation begins to look more

like California. As whites in more states become the minority, they will seek to protect what they perceive to be their self-interest, or will be seduced by the siren song of minority victimology that has captivated other groups. Or both.

As I see it, we can either end such programs sooner with less pain or suffer the consequences of a much

more brutally divisive battle later. It's hard enough to get along in a diverse society. We don't need the remedy for institutionalized racism to create more racial tensions. We need to find new, less divisive ways to fight inequality.

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Westword

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it up.

For instance, on this trip we decided to go on a cut-throat trout fishing expedition. We had our pick of four outstanding, world-class rivers to choose from, all within about 20 miles of each other. We picked one — which will remain nameless — and drove up it for about 30 or 40 miles on an excellent gravel road.

Monoliths loomed overhead. Sawtooth ridges surrounded us. The river made a turquoise slash through dizzying canyons.

The river was absolutely loaded with hungry, substantial and cooperative cutthroat trout. And the amazing thing was, we didn't see a single other fisherman the entire day, along the entire river.

Are you kidding? Back here on the St. Joe River (an Idaho river that compares with it, fish-wise) there would have been dozens of people on the river, in campgrounds and with guides on rafts. No, it's not exactly crowded, but you certainly don't feel as if you have the place to yourself.

In Canada, this was just another heartstoppingly beautiful river. Dime a dozen.

And then I looked at a map. Here I was, in the middle of nowhere, alone except for the occasional logging truck, yet I was in the very southernmost 5 percent of British Columbia.

Head north, and there is range after range, lake after lake, river after river, gorgeous lonely place after gorgeous lonely place. I realized that, in my excursions into British Columbia, I have barely touched the surface. The amount of British Columbia left to explore is hard for the mind to comprehend, a little like contemplating the size of the galaxy.

And that's just one province. Above that, you have the Yukon. And the Northwest Territories. And Nunavut. And about a thousand islands.

So maybe now you can understand why I love Canada so much. We all need to hold a vision in our minds of a place we can call paradise.

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Beck: Help us restore traditional American values

By Philip Elliott
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Associated Press writers

WASHINGTON — Conservative commentator Glenn Beck and tea party champion Sarah Palin appealed Saturday to a vast, predominantly white crowd on the National Mall to help restore traditional American values and honor Martin Luther King's message. Civil rights leaders who accused the group of hijacking King's legacy held their own rally and march.

While Beck billed his event as nonpolitical, conservative activists said their show of strength was a clear sign that they can swing elections because much of the country is angry with what many voters call an out-of-touch Washington.

Palin told the tens of thousands who stretched from the marble steps of the Lincoln Memorial to the grass of the Washington Monument that calls to transform the country weren't enough. "We must restore America and restore her honor," said the former Alaska governor, echoing the name of the rally, "Restoring Honor."

Palin, the GOP vice presidential nominee in 2008 and a potential White House contender in 2012, and Beck repeatedly cited King and made references to the Founding Fathers. Beck put a heavy religious cast on nearly all his remarks, sounding at times like an evangelical preacher. "Something beyond imagination is happening," he said. "America today begins to turn back to God."

Beck exhorted the crowd



The crowd attending the 'Restoring Honor' rally in Washington, D.C., on Saturday is seen from the base of the Washington Monument.

AP photos



Pashai Oway, 6, of Arlington, Va., holds an American flag while attending the 'Restoring Honor' rally Saturday in Washington.

to "recognize your place to the creator. Realize that he is our king. He is the one

who guides and directs our life and protects us." He asked his audience to pray more. "I ask, not only if you would pray on your knees, but pray on your knees but with your door open for your children to see," he said.

A group of civil rights activists organized by the Rev. Al Sharpton held a counter rally at a high school, then embarked on a three-mile march to the site of a planned monument honoring King. The site, bordering the Tidal Basin, was not far from the Lincoln Memorial where Beck and the others spoke about two hours earlier.

Sharpton and the several

thousand marching with him crossed paths with some of the crowds leaving Beck's rally. People wearing "Restoring Honor" and tea party T-shirts looked on as Sharpton's group chanted "reclaim the dream" and "MLK, MLK." Both sides were generally restrained, although there was some mutual taunting.

One woman from the Beck rally shouted to the Sharpton marchers: "Go to church. Restore America with peace." Some civil rights marchers chanted "don't drink the tea" to people leaving Beck's rally.

Sharpton told his rally it was important to keep King's dream alive and that

despite progress more needs to be done. "Don't

mistake progress for arrival," he said.

He poked fun at the Beck-organized rally, saying some participants were the same ones who used to call civil rights leaders troublemakers. "The folks who used to criticize us for marching are trying to have a march themselves," he said. He urged his group to be peaceful and not confrontational. "If people start heckling, smile at them," Sharpton said.

Eleanor Holmes Norton, the District of Columbia's delegate to Congress, said she remembers being at King's march on Washington in 1963. "Glenn Beck's march will change nothing. But you can't blame Glenn Beck for his March-on-Washington envy," she said.

Beck has said he did not intend to choose the King anniversary for his rally but had since decided it was "divine providence." He portrayed King as an American hero.

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9 years on, signs of life emerge at ground zero

NEW YORK (AP) — After nearly nine years, life is returning to ground zero in a tangible way.

Crews Saturday began planting 16 swamp white oaks at the World Trade Center site. They are the first of nearly 400 trees to be planted around the eight-acre memorial to the nearly 2,800 people were killed when terrorists attacked the twin towers on Sept. 11, 2001.

The trees will dot a cobblestone plaza surrounding two huge pools built on the footprints of the destroyed towers.

Joe Daniels, president of the 9/11 Memorial Foundation, was on hand at the site to help with the planting.

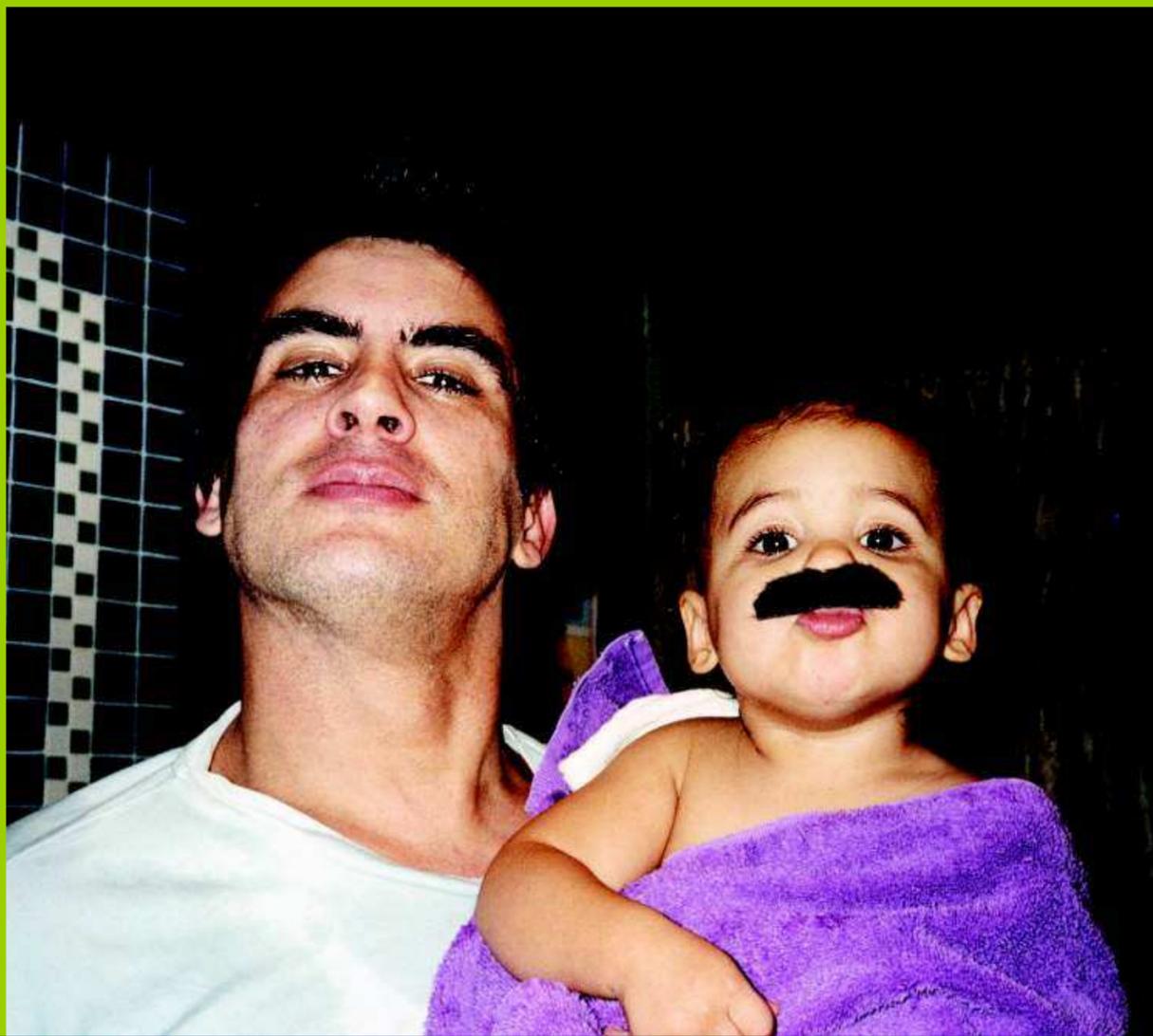
He said designers of the memorial envisioned a lush and quiet green space that would bring solace to visitors.

"When people come up to the pools and see the names and be under this canopy, this forest, it will be a very peaceful environment," Daniels said.

Cultivated for four years at a nursery in Millstone, N.J., the 16 trees were loaded onto eight tractor-trailers at midnight Friday for the 35-mile trip to Manhattan. Several were planted overnight and into Saturday morning on the western side of the memorial plaza.

The memorial plaza will essentially become a rooftop garden, built atop the deep chasm left by the destroyed towers. It will cover the museum commemorating the 2001 attacks, commuter train platforms and a parking garage that are being built as far as 70 feet below ground.

The trees were irrigated and fertilized for four years at 15-acre nursery in New Jersey. Daniels said the swamp white oaks were selected for their beauty and their ability to withstand Manhattan's cold, snowy winters and steamy summers.



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Imam behind NYC mosque faces divisions over project

By Cristian Salazar
Associated Press writer

NEW YORK (AP) — Imam Feisal Abdul Rauf has long worked to bridge divisions, be they fissures between interfaith husbands and wives or political chasms separating the United States and the Muslim world.

The 61-year-old clergyman is now in the midst of a polarizing political, religious and cultural debate over plans for a multistory Islamic center that will feature a mosque, health club and theater about two blocks north of ground zero. He is one of the leaders of the Park51 project, but has largely been absent from the national debate over the implications of building a Muslim house of worship so close to where terrorists killed more than 2,700 people.

Though Rauf has said the center, which could cost more than \$100 million, would serve as a space for interfaith dialogue, moderate Muslim practice and peaceful prayer, critics say it will create a base for radical, anti-American Islam. Some critics have also asked where the funding for the center might originate and whether it may come from sources linked to Muslim extremists.

Former House Speaker Newt Gingrich, a potential 2012 presidential candidate, called the backers of the project "radical Islamists." "They're trying to make a case about supremacy" with the center, he said.

The American Jewish Committee has said that while Park51's leaders have a right to build their center, they must "fully reveal" their sources of funding and "unconditionally condemn" terrorism inspired by Islamist ideology before they can obtain the organization's support.

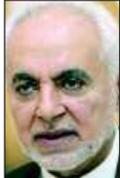
Those who know Rauf and have worked with him say that he is anything but extreme in his beliefs or intentions.

"He is one of the really important Muslim leaders in America, working for and working with other religions," said the Rev. James Parks Morton, the former dean of the Episcopal Cathedral of St. John the Divine who has known Rauf and his family for more than 30 years. "He's a very, very

conciliatory, intellectual guy."

During the past few months, Rauf has been in Malaysia, where his family has long-standing ties, and on a State Department-financed goodwill tour of Gulf countries.

Through a spokesman and his wife, he declined to speak with The Associated Press in recent weeks. His few interviews lately have been with local Arabic media during his State Department tour.



Rauf

He told the daily Bahrain newspaper Akhbar Al-Khaleej on Aug. 24 that he blamed the news media, in part, for strained relations between Muslims and Americans. Rauf said the media "has succeeded in portraying stereotypical images, focusing on the negative and criticizing the other."

With Rauf largely absent from the debate, opponents have scoured past statements and critics portray the imam as tone-deaf to the sensitivities of families who lost relatives on Sept. 11. They argue he should forthrightly condemn Arab political movements such as Hamas that the U.S. government has designated as terrorist organizations.

Asked in June by WABC-AM whether he believed the State Department was correct in designating Hamas as a terrorist organization, Rauf gave a winding response: "I am not a politician. ... The

issue of terrorism is a very complex question. ... I do not want to be placed ... in a position of ... where I am the target of one side or another."

Rauf rarely deviates in his interviews, speeches and books from a core message of the need for interfaith dialogue to resolve religious conflicts. What emerges is a portrait of a man who has passionately argued that Islam is inherently compatible with American life, and that each is enriched by the other.

He has strongly opposed acts of violence in the name of Islam.

"The Quran allows fighting only in defense — when we are attacked or thrown from our homes or denied our basic rights because of what we choose to believe," he writes in his 2004 book.

"But even in those cases where fighting is allowed, the Quran never allows the killing of innocent people."

The annex of his book includes a 2001 fatwa, or religious ruling, signed by five Islamic scholars, that permits Muslims to fight for U.S. forces in Afghanistan.

He also writes that there is no circumstance under which the Prophet permitted suicide, and says so-called "martyrdom operations" are unsupported by Islam.

"It is a phenomena that no civilized society — in the Muslim world or the West — should be content to accept," he said.

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As U.S. military bases close, Iraqis left behind

By Bushra Juhi and Rebecca Santana
Associated Press writers

AL-FARIS, Iraq — Just about every man from the village of al-Faris has worked at the nearby Taji military base. The American money and influence is seen in the new cars, the additions to houses, even the billiards hall with a guitar from an American soldier.

But now, as the American military winds down its time in Iraq, the Iraqis who once worked so closely with U.S. forces are starting to wonder what will happen to them.

"The military is starting to withdraw and its influence is being felt," said Sheikh Lukman Rahman Hama, the village's senior administrator. "We were lucky because the Americans offered us jobs. The Iraqi government did not offer us jobs."

For the vast majority of

Iraqis, their closest contact with Americans has been with troops hidden behind layers of body armor, wearing tinted glasses and riding in armored Humvees that used to run Iraqi vehicles off the road.

But there has always been a relatively small group of Iraqis who have worked with Americans over the years. According to U.S. military figures, a little more than 13,000 Iraqis now work for contractors hired by the American military as translators or in other jobs such as laundry or maintenance. That's down from a high of more than 43,000 in January 2009, reflecting the draw-down as the U.S. went from about 170,000 troops to just under 50,000.

Additionally, a small percentage of Iraqis not included in those numbers operate businesses on bases.

The drop is also being seen

at al-Faris, where the number of Iraqis from the village working at U.S. military facilities has plummeted from 800 to 100. Those who have lost their jobs clutch recommendations given to them by their former employers testifying to their dedication and professional manner, in hopes that the words of a former staff sergeant or colonel will help them find a new job.

With unofficial estimates on unemployment in Iraq ranging as high as 30 percent, it's a challenging task. Currently, 1,168 Iraqis work on the Taji base, which is home to about 7,000 people — 2,500 of whom are U.S. troops. That's down from a one-time high of about 10,000 U.S. troops.

A few of the workers have heard of American asylum programs for Iraqis.

"I do not know what to do

when they leave," said Riyadh Mohammed Ahmed. "I've heard that if I go to the American embassy, they would help me to get out of Iraq."

For the few Iraqis who do work on U.S. bases, it has been a window into American values and culture that will leave a lasting impression long after the last American soldier leaves. Iraqis coming from a culture with few regulations have come face-to-face with a

regimented American military culture where even cigarette butts are supposed to be thrown in a trash can and not on the ground.

When asked what they learned or noticed while working with Americans, the word "order" is repeated over and over.

"They give us safety plastic helmets, uniforms and shoes. If an American inspector from the firm came and saw us not wearing any of these safety tools,

she would fire our boss, not us, because he is in charge of us," said Riyadh Mohammed Ahmed, 43, who works as a carpenter on the base. "It is good to see order applied on all. Order is good."

Not all of the comments are complimentary, of course. One Iraqi discusses how the Americans have taught him how to curse. Another complains that other non-Iraqi contractors don't bother to learn their names.

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An Iraqi girl wears bandages after being injured in a bombing in Karbala, 50 miles south of Baghdad, Iraq, Wednesday. A string of attacks targeting Iraqi security forces on Wednesday left several people dead and scores wounded, police and hospital officials said.

Iraq on highest terror alert as U.S. ends combat role

By Lara Jakes
Associated Press writer

BAGHDAD — Iraq's prime minister put his nation on its highest level of alert for terror attacks, warning of plots to sow fear and chaos as the U.S. combat mission in the country formally ends on Tuesday.

The Iraqi security forces who will be left in charge have been hammered by bomb attacks, prompting fears of a new insurgent offensive and criticism of the government's preparedness to protect its people. Still, President Barack Obama left no doubt Saturday in his weekly radio address that the U.S. is sticking to its promise to pull out of Iraq despite the uptick in violence.

In a statement to state-run television, Prime Minister Nouri al-Maliki said Iraqi intelligence indicated an al-Qaida front group and members of Saddam Hussein's outlawed Baath party are collaborating to launch attacks "to create fear and chaos and kill more innocents."

"We direct the Iraqi forces, police and army and other security forces, to take the highest alert and precautionary measures to foil this criminal planning," al-Maliki said in the statement issued

late Friday.

A senior Iraqi intelligence official on Saturday said security forces believe suicide bombers have entered the country with plans to strike unspecified targets in Baghdad by month's end. The official did not know how many bombers or where they would attack, and spoke on condition of anonymity because he was not authorized to talk to the media.

Obama, meanwhile, used his weekly radio address to reaffirm his campaign promise to end the war in Iraq and refocus on Afghanistan as home to the top threats against America.

"The bottom line is this: the war is ending," Obama said from the Massachusetts island retreat of Martha's

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Chile, divided by quake, unites around trapped miners

By Bradley Brooks
Associated Press writer

SAN JOSE MINE, Chile — Just six months ago, one of the largest earthquakes in a century tore Chile apart, physically ripping the ground, triggering a deadly tsunami and leaving in the wreckage a divided society and government trying to decide whom to blame.

Now, with Chile confronting a new disaster — 33 men trapped in a mine below the Atacama Desert since Aug. 5 — the nation is unified by the drama playing out in slow motion.

Sitting alone on a hill above the mine where his brother, Juan, is buried alive, Oscar Illanes, 51, quietly fidgets with pebbles in his right hand and contemplates

how his personal tragedy has also become that of his countrymen.

"This accident has crossed all borders. Everyone in Chile, rich or poor, a mining family or not, is sending a positive force that sustains us," he said. "The will to survive started with the 33 miners alone under the ground. It soon became 150 as the families arrived here. Now it is an entire nation, all working with the same spirit to free the men."

This time, Chileans are less interested in the blame game and more concentrated on getting the men out of the ground alive, even adopting the one can-do symbol from the quake that killed 500.

A tattered Chilean flag flies above Illanes' head on

the hill overlooking the mine and the makeshift camp where the families of those trapped await their return.

Once just a piece of cloth, it was transformed into a sacred symbol of Chilean resilience when a young man was photographed by The Associated Press pulling it from the wreckage of the Feb. 27 earthquake.

In the aftermath of the earthquake, Chile's navy and emergency management office were criticized for failing to issue an alert that might have saved hundreds from the tsunami that caused the quake's largest death toll.

Chileans were also angered by a massive wave of looting, as thousands of people, from grandmothers to small children, took

everything from mattresses to refrigerators and flat-screen TVs. Then-President Michelle Bachelet said it reflected "the moral damage of the people" in a nation that considers itself by far the most advanced in Latin America.

Many see the united effort and support for the miners as a way to move past the darker episodes surrounding the quake and to demonstrate the better side of Chileans in the face of adversity.

There has been some finger pointing in the days since the miners were trapped — and it will certainly increase if they are not rescued.

The San Esteban mining company has taken the brunt of the criticism for lacking safety standards that could

have prevented the event or allowed the miners to escape.

President Sebastian Pinera fired top regulators and created a commission to investigate the accident. Mining Minister Laurence Golborne said the government's mine regulatory agency — which has only 18 inspectors for several hundred mines —

would be overhauled and receive more resources.

But a positive energy floods the town of Copiapo near the mine.

"Those 33 men are the focus of every Chilean's attention. We cannot fail to bring them out, that would be unthinkable," said Luis Arancibia, 68.



AP photo

Abdul Manan, a candidate for Afghanistan's parliament, is brought to a hospital after being shot in Herat, west of Kabul, Afghanistan, Saturday. Manan, who was shot on his way to a mosque, died of his wounds, said Lal Mohammad Omarzai, deputy governor of Shindand district.

Afghan militants in U.S. uniforms storm two bases

By Robert H. Reid
Associated Press writer

KABUL, Afghanistan — U.S. and Afghan troops repelled attackers wearing American uniforms and suicide vests in a pair of simultaneous assaults on NATO bases near the Pakistani border, including one where seven CIA employees died in a suicide attack last year.

The raids before dawn Saturday appear part of an insurgent strategy to step up attacks in widely scattered parts of the country as the U.S. focuses its resources on the battle around the Taliban's southern birthplace of Kandahar.

Also Saturday, three more American service members were killed — two in a bombing in the south and the third in fighting in eastern Afghanistan, the U.S. command said. That brought to 38 the number of U.S. troops killed this month — well below last month's figure of 66.

The militant assault in the border province of Khost began about 4 a.m. when dozens of insurgents stormed Forward Operating Base Salerno and nearby Camp Chapman with mortars, rocket-propelled grenades and automatic weapons, according to NATO and Afghan police.

Two attackers managed to breach the wire protecting Salerno but were killed before they could advance far onto the base, NATO said. Twenty-one attackers were killed — 15 at Salerno and six at Chapman — and five were captured, it said.

Three more insurgents, including a commander,

were killed in an airstrike as they fled the area, NATO said.

The Afghan Defense Ministry said two Afghan soldiers were killed and three wounded in the fighting. Four U.S. troops were wounded, NATO officials said.

U.S. and Afghan officials blamed the attack on the Haqqani network, a Pakistan-based faction of the Taliban with close ties to al-Qaida. Camp Chapman was the scene of the Dec. 30 suicide attack that killed the seven CIA employees.

Afghan police said about 50 insurgents took part in the twin assaults. After being driven away from the bases, the insurgents approached the nearby offices of the governor and provincial police headquarters but were scattered, said Khost provincial police Chief Abdul Hakim Ishaqzai.

"Given the size of the enemy's force, this could have been a major catastrophe for Khost. Luckily we prevented it," he said.

Small-arms fire continued through the morning, while NATO helicopters patrolled overhead. The dead were wearing U.S. Army uniforms, which can be easily purchased in shops in Kabul and other cities, possibly pilfered from military warehouses.

The twin attacks appeared to be part of a growing pattern of insurgent assaults far from the southern battlefields of Kandahar and Helmand provinces, which have been the main focus of the U.S. military campaign.

Afghan prosecutor forced to resign

KABUL, Afghanistan (AP) — A top Afghan prosecutor who has complained that the attorney general and others are blocking corruption cases against high-ranking government officials said Saturday that he had been forced into retirement.

Deputy Attorney General Fazel Ahmed Faqiryar said his boss, Attorney General Mohammad Ishaq Aloko, wrote a retirement letter for him earlier this week and that President Hamid Karzai accepted it.

Faqiryar, 72, said he wanted to continue doing his work, which has involved pursuing corruption allegations against top officials in the Karzai administration — a task which had put him in the middle of a political fire storm.

U.S. officials have been pressing Karzai to do more to root out corruption.

Karzai has pushed back, saying that the international community needs to do more to eliminate corruption in its own contracting procedures and eliminate terrorist havens outside the borders of Afghanistan.

"Everybody knows how hard I was working as a deputy attorney general," Faqiryar said in a telephone interview. "It was my responsibility as a top government official to complete and investigate those cases, especially those where high-ranking officials were involved in corruption, and this is what I did."

He said that cases against three or four former Afghan Cabinet ministers had been completed, but had been put on hold and had not been sent to the courts. Five provincial governors have been accused of corruption, he said.

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Four straight birdies helps give Laird the lead at The Barclays, Sports 5

Tug of war



Club sports' growing popularity can create tough choices for prep athletes

By David Bashore
Times-News writer

Kianna Niu doesn't regret her decision. But she views herself as the exception rather than the rule.

After transferring to a Moreno Valley, Calif., school in the middle of her junior year, Niu tried out for her high school volleyball team as anyone with college aspirations would. But, in the eyes of a driven teenager who thrives on competition and has medaled in beach volleyball at the Junior Olympics, the school team wasn't matching her ambition.

After months of unhappiness with the way the program was going, Niu decided to skip her senior high school season and train exclusively with her club team, 951 Elite Volleyball, in nearby Temecula.

"I'm a really competitive person, and there's nothing I like more than winning," said Niu, now a libero for the College of Southern Idaho. "But where I was at, most of the girls seemed to do

it just to say they were on the volleyball team and it wasn't a very competitive setup. I honestly felt like I was going to get worse playing there, so I just went to clinics at my club and kept practicing.

"I really wanted to play my senior year. I think girls should play high school ball, because it's important to the school ... but I was so unhappy and just it wasn't worth the frustration to me."

Niu recognizes that her choice was exceedingly rare, but her former situation is far from unique.

Across the country, teenage athletes are encountering a growing tug-of-war between high school athletics, which primarily preach fundamentals and life lessons, and private clubs geared toward exposing athletes to college scouts and coaches with the goal of obtaining an athletic scholarship.

While not in direct competition — many high school sports governing bodies, including the Idaho High School Activities Association, have bylaws designed

"I wish that club and high school would work together to do what's best for the kids, but that's not always the case."

— Twin Falls High School
Athletic Director Mike Federico

to prevent high school athletes from competing in another league of the same sport at the same time — club sports do bleed into the high school calendar at other junctures and sometimes force athletes to choose.

Last spring, Kalie Wright skipped her junior track and field season at Kimberly High School in favor of club volleyball. She has been a varsity volleyball player since her freshman season and a member of the 18U team at Jerome-based Club Canyon since she was 15.

Wright isn't sure whether she'll pursue volleyball at the college

level or push full-bore into her other love, music. But if she wants to play college volleyball, she'll definitely return to Club Canyon in the hopes of earning a scholarship.

"It just depends on how I want to pay for my schooling. My mom was a basketball coach so I know how recruiting works, that they come to a lot of the (club) tournaments. I haven't seen a single college recruiter at a high school match," Wright said. "My academics are good, so I could get a scholarship there ... but I love volleyball."

The notion of for-profit athletic organizations targeting high-school-aged athletes clashes with the philosophy of many high school athletic departments, including the one at Twin Falls High School.

The Bruins' mantra is to encourage athletes to play multiple sports and leave club sports for the summer. This, it is argued, not only enables athletes to cross-train and build a more balanced

Photo illustration by DREW NASH/Times-News
Kalie Wright plays volleyball for Kimberly High School (right), but also plays for Club Canyon (left). If she elects to pursue a college scholarship, she believes Club Canyon will better help her achieve that aim than Kimberly High.

physical core, it exposes athletes to a number of different coaching personalities and leadership styles that will help balance the students socially as they move forward in life.

"We have 146 kids out for football this season, and we'll be lucky if even a handful of them get to play in college ... and it won't be at USC," said Athletic Director Mike Federico. "I don't worry about the elite athletes, because they're going to find their way into colleges. I worry about the other 98 percent of our athletes that won't be playing college sports. Those are the ones who get all these experiences that they'll take with them for the rest of their lives."

See **CLUBS**, Sports 6

Canyon Ridge falls 1-0 to Community School

By Stephen Meyers
Times-News writer

On Saturday at Sunway Soccer Complex, one team dominated the pace of the game, possession percentage and shots on goal. One team played a better overall game than the competition.

That team didn't win.

Canyon Ridge fell to the Community School 1-0 despite spending much of the second half attacking in the Cutthroats' half of the field.

Ben Kanellitsas struck on the counterattack 10 minutes into the second half for the only goal of the game.

"That was a unique and strange game," said Community School coach Richard Whitelaw. "We were hanging on for our lives there at the end."

The Community School frustrated Canyon Ridge as shot after shot was blocked by the Cutthroats' back line or gobbled up by goalkeeper Tom Crosby, who finished with 15 saves.

"We just didn't finish," Nigel Cvencek said. "It's very frustrating."

The Community School's Colin Waycott and Zach Lindahl



STEPHEN MEYERS/Times-News
Community School's Zach Lindahl (18) dives to steal the ball from Canyon Ridge forward Dunia Emmanuel Saturday.

anchored the Cutthroats defense, earning praise from Canyon Ridge head coach Brian Gillenwater.

"Their back line of defense and keeper had a heck of a game," the coach said.

The teams played to a 0-0 first half and only on one defensive slip-up in the second half did the

Cutthroats really ever challenge the Riverhawks' defense. But one slip-up was enough.

Kanellitsas broke free and turned his defender around from 18 yards out and hit a looping shot that sailed just past the outstretched arms of goalkeeper Josh Clark.

Gillenwater still praised the

play of his freshman goalkeeper who had five saves.

"I have all the confidence in the world in Josh," Gillenwater said. "He's only a freshman and he had five saves out there and one shot just happened to get over his head."

Up 1-0, the Community School was content to stomp the breaks and cede the attacking to Canyon Ridge. Cvencek, Dunia Emmanuel and Frankie Arroyo weaved in and out of the defense and consistently had good looks on the goal.

The Riverhawks got the ball in the net when Cvencek got on the end of a 35-yard free kick and stuck it past Crosby, but from an offside position.

Gillenwater, however, was pleased with the scoring chances.

"I couldn't be happier with the way our team passed the ball. We played good, organized soccer. We had great opportunities, but just couldn't get the ball in the net," the coach said.

Canyon Ridge (1-1-0) plays at Century on Tuesday.

"I feel we're still going to be good. It's early in the season," said Emmanuel.

Vandal linebacker trio at home on, off field

By Josh Wright
Times-News correspondent

MOSCOW — Come Thursday night, Idaho football fans will have a better sense of how the Vandals' starting linebacker crew has coalesced. Already, though, this much is certain: They fit together splendidly at their off-campus home.

JoJo Dickson and Robert Siavii are from Hawaii, Homer Mauga's family used to live in Honolulu, and all three have carried the laidback "Islands' vibe" to their house.

Football, movies, food — there's little disagreement among them on these and other topics.

"The chemistry with all of us is good at home," said Siavii, a junior from Wahiawa, Hawaii. "It's basically like three brothers living together without a mom and dad."

The familial ties run deeper than that, actually. Just a month ago, Mauga, the newest projected starter on the Idaho defense, discovered his parents were close friends — and very distant relatives — with Siavii's mother and grandparents in Hawaii.

"Small world," Mauga said. "I basically stick with those guys, and they're a great big help."

Mauga and his two roommates share similar backgrounds and frenetic playing styles, and each is a key element in the Vandals' most promising defense in years.

Mauga's first true taste of football beyond the junior-college level will come Thursday, in Idaho's season opener versus North Dakota at the Kibbie Dome.

In a way, though, the La Mesa, Calif., native with a superb Samoan football



That's more like it:

CSI rebounds to finish 4-1 at home tourney

By David Bashore
Times-News writer

Losing stings, but after a couple of wins the College of Southern Idaho volleyball team is back to feeling good about itself.

Top-ranked CSI bounced back from Friday's disappointing loss to No. 4 Miami Dade (Fla.) by beating a pair of Sacenic West Athletic Conference rivals Saturday to close out the Golden Eagles' season-opening home tournament.

CSI defeated Snow 25-23, 25-19, 25-23 and topped No. 11 North Idaho 25-23, 25-18, 25-20, to finish 4-1 at the tournament.

"At times we relaxed a little bit too much,"

said freshman middle hitter Beth Carey, who had 10 kills in 17 error-free attempts against North Idaho. "But I like the way we fought, especially when it got tight with both teams in the 20s."

Carey's match against North Idaho capped an impressive opening performance, particularly considering she only had a week of practice after arriving from Australia. She credited setter Barbara Alcantara for growing more confident in their chemistry by setting her more frequently as the day progressed.

"Just wait until we get a week or two together," Carey said.

Rosie Becerra put down 11 kills to one error in 22 attacks against the Cardinals, combining with Dama Cox to pick up the outside hitting slack after Scharae Steel went down a few points into the Eastern Utah match with a leg injury that appeared to look worse than it actually was.

Steel landed awkwardly early in the first set of the early match and immediately grabbed her left knee. The CSI training staff said it didn't appear to be a ligament injury, and Steel — who was on crutches after the Eastern Utah match — said it was more in the back of her leg than her knee. The match was

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Coelho scores four as Filer romps over Jerome JV squad

Times-News

Candra Coelho scored four goals to lead Filer 8-0 over Jerome's junior varsity squad Saturday.

Anna Williams added two goals, while Kayla Aguilar and Noelia Garza each pitched in one.

"It was a good team effort," said Filer head coach Shane Hild.

Filer (2-1) travels to Wendell Monday.

COMMUNITY SCHOOL 6, CANYON RIDGE 0

Jordan Fitzgerald scored a hat trick and assisted on a fourth goal as the Community School routed Canyon Ridge 6-0 in Sun Valley on Saturday.

Hannah Dies, Hailey Rheinschild and Ellie Swanson also added goals for the Cutthroats (3-1-0).

"We've gotten great performances from our fresh-

men so far," said Community School coach Kelly Feldman, referencing Dies and Fitzgerald. "It's been really impressive."

The Cutthroats host Bliss on Friday.

HIGHLAND 3, WOOD RIVER 1

Wood River lost 3-1 Saturday at Highland.

Down 2-0 at halftime, Wood River scored its lone goal off the foot of K.T. Martinez. Jessica Martinez assisted.

"We came out really flat in the first half," said head coach Jenni Conrad. "We showed up more in the second half, but Highland played a great game."

Wood River (2-1) hosts Canyon Ridge Thursday.

Boys Soccer

MINICO 5, AMERICAN FALLS 1

Adrian Mendoza recorded a hat trick to lead Minico to a

5-1 victory over American Falls Saturday.

Andres Madrigal started the scoring in the third minute on a penalty kick and Omar Rojas scored in the 27th. Mendoza punched in all three of his goals in the second half.

"(Mendoza) probably could have had more. He played a heck of a game," said Minico head coach Armando Tapia.

Minico (2-0) plays at Declo Monday.

SNAKE RIVER 6, WENDELL 1

Wendell outshot its opponent Saturday but fell to Snake River 6-1.

Johnny Macias scored the lone goal for the Trojans.

"We had our opportunities, but weren't able to finish and had some defensive problems," said Wendell coach Jon Goss. "They are a really tough opponent."

Wendell (2-1) hosts Filer

on Monday.

WOOD RIVER 3, HIGHLAND 0

Wood River dominated Highland throughout the game Saturday for the 3-0 win.

Benito Reveles scored the first goal, assisted by Liam Jaenasky. Charlie Evens and Alex Lopez also scored, assisted by Harlin Collins and Bryan Donoso, respectively.

"The game was mostly controlled by us," said Wood River head coach Luis Monjaras. "Overall we're playing much better."

Wood River (1-2) hosts Jerome Tuesday.

FILER 3, JEROME JV 2

Zach Clark scored twice and Sergio Campos added a third as Filer clipped Jerome's junior varsity team 3-2 in Jerome on Saturday.

The Wildcats (2-1-0) are at Wendell on Monday.

Franchitti wins, Power slips in Chicagoland Indy

JOLIET, Ill. (AP) — A strategy gamble put Dario Franchitti in position to win. And thanks to an uncharacteristic pit stop blunder by Team Penske for points leader Will Power, Franchitti still has a chance at the championship.

Franchitti's crew saved time on their final pit stop by choosing not to change tires, putting him out in front for a late-race restart. The driver did the rest, holding on to win Saturday's IndyCar series race at Chicagoland Speedway.

Power still had a shot at the win — until he started running out of fuel with five laps to go and had to make an extra pit stop. He finished 16th, opening the door for Franchitti in the championship race.

"It's going to be a fight," Franchitti said. "I think it's going to be a fight to the wire."

Power came into Chicagoland leading by 59 points with four races to go. Going into next Saturday's race at Kentucky Speedway, Franchitti has whittled Power's lead to 23 points.

"It's going to be interesting, these last three," Franchitti said.

Dan Wheldon finished second, followed by Marco Andretti, Ryan Hunter-Reay and Tony Kanaan.

Danica Patrick finished 14th.

Power's crew apparently didn't get enough fuel in the car to make it to the end of the race during their last scheduled pit stop. It almost certainly cost them a top-three finish, and now his team has to hope it doesn't end up costing them the championship.

"That was just a mistake that we couldn't afford," Power said. "This obviously makes things tougher for the championship, but we're still in front and we proved how competitive we can be on the ovals. We'll move on and we will work harder next week at Kentucky."

Beginning with Chicagoland, the final four races of the season all are on oval tracks, and Power is considered a stronger driver on road courses than he is on ovals.

So he was encouraged by his strong driving performance on Saturday, even if it didn't get him a good finish.

"I never thought I could race ovals like that," Power said in a post-race televi-

sion interview.

But when it comes to racing on ovals, Power might still have some respect to earn among fellow drivers. Wheldon admitted he spent more time working with Franchitti because the veteran was more predictable in the pack.

"It was difficult to drive with Will," Wheldon said. "He was not giving me any room at all."

Franchitti appreciated Wheldon's help.

"Dan was great," Franchitti said. "Just pushed me along a little bit."

Power hardly was racing conservatively to protect his points lead, going three-wide for the lead with Wheldon and Andretti with about 50 laps to go.

With Power in the lead and Andretti stuck to his rear wing, Alex Lloyd spun out with 31 laps to go, bringing out a caution. That allowed all the leaders to make their final pit stop.

Franchitti's crew gambled by only taking fuel and opting not to change tires, gaining eight spots in the pits and sending him out in the race lead. Franchitti didn't know what his crew had

planned when he went on to pit road, and said his crew didn't make the call until he was a few pit stalls from stopping.

Power had a quick stop, but his crew knew right away that they might not have put enough fuel in the car to make it the rest of the way. Now Franchitti senses he has a shot at the title.

"It's far from over," Franchitti said.

Patrick was one of five female drivers in the race.

"I just didn't have enough speed to stay with the lead pack," Patrick said. "It's tough to end the event like this because we were really competitive and I thought we'd have more out there tonight."

It was a strong outing for Sarah Fisher, who briefly led near the race's halfway point and was able to hang in the top five for several laps — something Franchitti's crew might have noted before they decided to stay out on old tires. She slipped back in the pack when she had to make a pit stop on lap 113 and finished 15th.

Milka Duno finished 19th, Simona de Silvestro finished 23rd and Ana Beatriz finished 24th.

No perfect way to split a conference

The Associated Press

A conference was expanding and splitting into divisions, and nobody knew what would happen to its two most bitter football rivals. Would they stay in the same division or be split apart?

No, this isn't a tale about Michigan and Ohio State. It's about Alabama and Auburn, which could have ended up in different divisions if the Tigers had gotten their preference.

"Tennessee was a big game for Auburn, and Georgia of course is a natural rivalry," former Auburn coach Pat Dye said. "We would have had three big games, with Florida, Georgia and Tennessee every year — and then Alabama."

Instead, the Tigers went to the SEC West, a move that worked out fine in the long run. Now it's the Big Ten and Pac-10 that are splitting into divisions — and dealing with all the usual concerns about geography, competitive balance and protecting traditional rivalries.

Like so many other leagues, the Big Ten and Pac-10 are learning they aren't going to be able to address every potential concern.

"Either way we go, there's some school — us, somebody

else, somewhere — it's inevitable (they'll be unhappy) with change," Ohio State athletic director Gene Smith said. "Hopefully we can do everything we can to protect Ohio State's interests in change and we'll do everything we can with that. But at the end of the day, we have to do what's best for the conference."

With the addition of Nebraska next year, the Big Ten is adding a championship game and introducing divisional play — and the Pac-10 is on the verge of its own divisional split as Colorado and Utah join the fold.

Pac-10 commissioner Larry Scott says the league could be divided geographically or through some form of a "zipper" alignment in which rivals from the same area — like Southern California and UCLA — could meet every year but be in different divisions.

The latter idea could allow both divisions to have a presence in the L.A. market. Scott says it helps that the league's existing teams are spread out in pairs in Los Angeles, the Bay Area, Washington, Oregon and Arizona.

"We've got a lot of logic and symmetry to the way our conference is laid out," Scott said.

In the Big Ten, there's speculation Michigan and Ohio State could play in different divisions with their annual game moved earlier in the season. Michigan athletic director Dave Brandon said recently he'd relish the chance to play Ohio State twice in a year, including once in the Big Ten championship game.

But projecting the future is always tricky. When the ACC debuted its football divisions in 2005, Florida State and Miami were kept apart, and it seemed like only a matter of time before they met for the conference championship. Five years later, it still hasn't happened.

"We all know that success can be quite cyclical," said Michael Kelly, the league's associate commissioner for football.

Kelly said Florida State and Miami wanted to keep playing each other but from different divisions, and that's exactly what has happened. The ACC and SEC both protect certain rivalries across divisions, allowing those teams to keep playing each other annually.

With Miami and Florida State boasting recent national championships, it seemed sensible at the time to separate the traditional power-

houses, but the split ensured that one of the Florida schools would be in a division with Boston College, the league's northernmost outlier.

The Big 12 took the opposite approach when it formed during the mid-1990s, opting for geographic simplicity by putting its Oklahoma and Texas schools in the same division.

"If you create too much of a situation where fans can't drive to your away games, I think you lose a level of interest," former Oklahoma athletic director Donnie Duncan said. "There are all kinds of ways to put these things together. It depends on establishing criteria and then working it from there. Ours was, I think, fairly clear and not very controversial."

However, the Big 12 didn't protect rivalries across divisions, so Oklahoma and Nebraska, for example, have played only eight regular-season games in the last 14 seasons.

"Any time you draw a line, there's someone or something standing right on the other side of it," Duncan said. "You start making an exception, then where's the next exception? We've stood pretty clear of all that."

YOURSPORTS

BOWLING

BOWLADROME, TWIN FALLS TUESDAY NO TAP

MEN'S SERIES: Bill Boren 743, Ed Dutry 724, Bob Chalfant 678, Con Moser 659.

MEN'S GAMES: Bill Boren 274, Ed Dutry 268, Bob Chalfant 244, Con Moser 659.

LADIES SERIES: LaVona Young 643, Bonnie Draper 624, Jeane Miller 582, Doris Brown 573.

LADIES GAMES: Bonnie Draper 252, Jeane Miller 222, LaVona Young 222, Doris Brown 211.

THURSDAY NO TAP

MEN'S SERIES: Dennis Seckel 623.

Jim DeVries 555, Eric Parton 541, Tom Smith 519.

MEN'S GAMES: Dennis Seckel 222, Jim DeVries 208, Jerry Seabolt 205, Eric Parton 200.

LADIES SERIES: Cindy Jo Garrett 575, Bernie Smith 490, Charlene Spencer 351.

LADIES GAMES: Cindy Jo Garrett 208, Bernie Smith 196, Charlene Spencer 138.

SNAKE RIVER BOWL, BURLEY SUMMER SIZZLERS

SERIES: Rayola Hamilton 696, Alice Ferrin 612, Ila Despain 526.

GAMES: Rayola Hamilton 247, Alice Ferrin 232, Ila Despain 216

Prep volleyball teams learn from JUCO tournaments

By David Bashore
Times-News writer

The trickle-down theory doesn't just apply to economics.

As some of the best NJCAA Division I volleyball programs took to the floor at the College of Southern Idaho over the weekend, a handful of area high-school teams sat in the stands, analyzing the matches they watched and picking up some tips they will try to apply in practice.

While volleyball is considered a repetition sport, much like baseball or softball, there is an added benefit to witnessing the best competition possible.

"I always remember looking at a player at my position, what she did and how she did it," said CSI coach Heidi Cartisser.

The school of thought doesn't just apply to players, however.

Filer head volleyball coach Ed Richards is in his 25th season as a varsity

head coach. He regularly brings his teams to CSI to watch an early-season tournament to benefit both his players and his coaching style.

"We try to run the same kind of offense as CSI does, with multiple attacks," Richards said. "Being here, the girls can see how it's done correctly, and they learn things that they're excited to come to practice and work on."

"I like to sit and watch these great coaches, and think where I'd stand or what I'd do and then analyze how they read the game," he added. "There are always things to learn."

Filer, Jerome and Glenns Ferry had their teams in attendance over the weekend, and several former and current area high school coaches also were seen at the tournament.

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BUFFALO WILD WINGS/ HILEX POLY TOURNAMENT

At CSI Gymnasium Friday, Aug. 27

CSI def. Eastern Utah 25-23, 25-18, 25-13

Salt Lake def. North Idaho 25-16, 16-25, 21-25, 25-15, 16-14

Miami Dade (Fla.) def. Casper (Wyo.) 25-23, 25-17, 25-12

Snow def. Northwest (Wyo.) 25-23, 21-25, 25-22, 25-13

CSI def. Casper 25-15, 25-14, 25-23

Salt Lake def. Northwest 25-21, 25-22, 25-21

Miami Dade def. Eastern Utah 25-17, 25-12, 25-15

North Idaho def. Snow 22-25, 25-20, 25-21, 19-25, 15-12

Casper def. Eastern Utah 25-17, 27-25, 24-26, 25-15

North Idaho def. Northwest 25-20, 27-29, 25-17, 25-21

Miami Dade def. CSI 25-22, 27-25, 23-25, 25-20

Salt Lake def. Snow 25-22, 25-27, 25-14, 25-12

Saturday, Aug. 28

North Idaho def. Casper 25-13, 25-22, 25-16

Salt Lake def. Eastern Utah 25-12, 25-17, 25-22

Miami Dade def. Northwest 25-22, 25-17, 25-18

CSI def. Snow 25-23, 25-19, 25-23

Miami Dade def. Salt Lake 25-20, 20-25, 25-20, 25-17

Snow def. Casper 25-16, 25-15, 25-22

Eastern Utah def. Northwest 30-28, 10-25, 27-25, 21-25, 15-12

CSI def. North Idaho 25-23, 25-18, 25-20

CSI

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delayed for several minutes.

With one of the big outside threats out at least for the weekend, Becerra and Cox shared the burden. Cox had 10 kills against Eastern Utah before Becerra did the outside damage against North Idaho.

Becerra and Carey both said the sophomores did a good job reinforcing how the Golden Eagles feel about their rivals from Coeur d'Alene.

"It was fun. They didn't

know who I am," Becerra said with a smile, "but maybe they're starting to."

"I think we did the best in this tournament. Coming into this we weren't sure if we were ready, but we proved that we were."

Now the Golden Eagles prep for a trip to Salt Lake City for their next weekend tournament, to be hosted by SWAC rival Salt Lake Community College.

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Football Pick 'em

Check out the Week 2 pick list and get in the game at magicvalley.com/sports

BASEBALL

AL Boxes

ORIOLES 5, ANGELS 0										
Baltimore					Los Angeles					
ab	r	h	bi	bi	ab	r	h	bi	bi	
Lugo 2b	5	0	1	0	Bareu lf	4	0	0	0	0
Marks rf	3	0	1	0	HKndr 2b	4	0	0	0	0
M. Ellis 2b	3	0	0	0	Callasp 2b	4	0	0	0	0
RDavis rf	4	0	1	0	TrHntr rf	4	0	0	0	0
Powell c	4	0	0	0	H.Matsu dh	4	0	0	0	0
Pngtn ss	3	0	1	0	Napoli 1b	4	0	1	0	0
Totals	36	5	11	5	Totals	31	0	4	0	0

Friday's Late AL Boxes										
Twins 6, Mariners 3					Seattle					
ab	r	h	bi	bi	ab	r	h	bi	bi	
Span cf	5	0	2	0	Isuzuki rf	5	1	2	0	0
OHudson 2b	5	2	2	0	Figgins 2b	4	0	1	0	0
Mauer dh	5	0	3	0	Branny dh	4	0	1	0	0
Cuddry 1b	4	1	1	0	KJochp 2b	4	0	0	0	0
Dimfin lf	5	1	1	0	KJochp 1b	3	1	1	0	0
Valenci 3b	3	1	1	0	Fftrtz cf	4	0	1	0	0
Rekpo rf	3	1	0	0	AMoore c	4	0	1	0	0
ACasill ss	4	0	1	0	Tuissaj cf	3	0	0	0	0
Butera c	3	0	1	0	JoWilson ss	3	1	1	0	0
Totals	37	6	12	6	Totals	34	3	8	3	3

Rays 3, Red Sox 2, 10 Innings										
Boston					Tampa Bay					
ab	r	h	bi	bi	ab	r	h	bi	bi	
Scutaro ss	5	0	1	0	Jaso c	3	0	0	0	0
J.Drew rf	5	0	0	0	Shppch ph	1	0	0	0	0
C.Flynn c	2	4	0	0	FBrist 2b	3	1	0	0	0
D.Ortiz dh	4	3	0	0	R.Flores 2b	3	1	2	0	0
ABeltre 3b	3	0	1	0	Longo 3b	4	0	2	0	0
Lowe lf	4	0	0	0	C.Pena 1b	4	0	1	0	0
Nava lf	4	0	0	0	Joyce rf	2	0	1	0	0
Kalish cf	4	0	1	0	D.Johnson dh	4	1	1	0	0
Hall 2b	0	0	0	0	Blypton cf	3	1	1	0	0
Lowe ph	2	1	0	0	FBrett ss	3	0	0	0	0
Totals	38	10	2	0	Totals	31	6	3	0	0

Baltimore Orioles 3, Angels 1										
Baltimore					Los Angeles					
ab	r	h	bi	bi	ab	r	h	bi	bi	
BRorts 2b	2	1	0	0	Bareu lf	4	0	1	0	0
J.Bell 3b	3	0	1	0	Kndr 2b	3	0	0	0	0
CPotts cf	3	0	0	0	Callasp 2b	4	0	0	0	0
ADonoh 1b	1	0	0	0	Marks rf	4	0	1	0	0
ATchison L-2-2	0	1	1	0	Scott dh	3	0	1	0	0
Tampa Bay					H.Matsu dh	3	0	0	0	0
Garza 7	6	1	1	1	JRiver 1b	3	0	0	0	0
Benoit 1	3	1	1	0	PEyar ss	3	0	0	0	0
R.Soriano 1	0	0	0	0	Wieters c	3	0	2	0	0
Qualis 2-3	1	0	0	0	Lugo 3b-2b	0	0	0	0	0
Choate W-4-3	2-3	1	0	0	Cizurs ss	3	1	1	0	0
W.Penit	0	0	0	0	Totals	31	3	8	3	1
Umpires—Home, Bruce Dreckman; First, Paul Emmel; Second, Bill Bohm; Third, Gary Darling. T-3:17. A-36,973 (36,973).					Totals	100	0	0	0	0

Blue Jays 5, Tigers 4										
Detroit					Toronto					
ab	r	h	bi	bi	ab	r	h	bi	bi	
Rhymss 2b	3	0	1	0	OFlewis dh	3	1	0	0	0
C.Wells ph-2	0	2	0	0	2.Yescor ss	4	2	2	0	0
Santias ss	4	0	0	0	R.Baust 2b	3	1	2	0	0
Damon dh	4	0	1	0	OVWells cf	4	0	1	0	0
McCarr lf	4	1	1	0	Lind 1b	4	0	2	0	0
Boesch rf	3	0	0	0	A.Hill 2b	4	1	1	0	0
Alcks ph	1	0	0	0	Snider lf	4	0	3	0	0
Raburn lf-2b	4	1	0	0	ENcncr 3b	3	0	1	0	0
Inge 3b	4	0	0	0	JMcDnl 3b	4	0	0	0	0
Kelly cf	3	0	0	0	JPhRpt ph	1	0	0	0	0
Avila c	3	0	1	0	Totals	34	4	8	4	0
Totals	34	4	8	4	Totals	34	5	12	5	0

Detroit Tigers 7, Toronto Blue Jays 4										
Detroit					Toronto					
ab	r	h	bi	bi	ab	r	h	bi	bi	
Rhymss 2b	3	0	1	0	OFlewis dh	3	1	0	0	0
C.Wells ph-2	0	2	0	0	2.Yescor ss	4	2	2	0	0
Santias ss	4	0	0	0	R.Baust 2b	3	1	2	0	0
Damon dh	4	0	1	0	OVWells cf	4	0	1	0	0
McCarr lf	4	1	1	0	Lind 1b	4	0	2	0	0
Boesch rf	3	0	0	0	A.Hill 2b	4	1	1	0	0
Alcks ph	1	0	0	0	Snider lf	4	0	3	0	0
Raburn lf-2b	4	1	0	0	ENcncr 3b	3	0	1	0	0
Inge 3b	4	0	0	0	JMcDnl 3b	4	0	0	0	0
Kelly cf	3	0	0	0	JPhRpt ph	1	0	0	0	0
Avila c	3	0	1	0	Totals	34	4	8	4	0
Totals	34	4	8	4	Totals	34	5	12	5	0

Detroit Tigers 7, Toronto Blue Jays 4										
Detroit					Toronto					
ab	r	h	bi	bi	ab	r	h	bi	bi	
Rhymss 2b	3	0	1	0	OFlewis dh	3	1	0	0	0
C.Wells ph-2	0	2	0	0	2.Yescor ss	4	2	2	0	0
Santias ss	4	0	0	0	R.Baust 2b	3	1	2	0	0
Damon dh	4	0	1	0	OVWells cf	4	0	1	0	0
McCarr lf	4	1	1	0	Lind 1b	4	0	2	0	0
Boesch rf	3	0	0	0	A.Hill 2b	4	1	1	0	0
Alcks ph	1	0	0	0	Snider lf	4	0	3	0	0
Raburn lf-2b	4	1	0	0	ENcncr 3b	3	0	1	0	0
Inge 3b	4	0	0	0	JMcDnl 3b	4	0	0	0	0
Kelly cf	3	0	0	0	JPhRpt ph	1	0	0	0	0
Avila c	3	0	1	0	Totals	34	4	8	4	0
Totals	34	4	8	4	Totals	34	5	12	5	0

Detroit Tigers 7, Toronto Blue Jays 4										
Detroit					Toronto					
ab	r	h	bi	bi	ab	r	h	bi	bi	
Rhymss 2b	3	0	1	0	OFlewis dh	3	1	0	0	0
C.Wells ph-2	0	2	0	0	2.Yescor ss	4	2	2	0	0
Santias ss	4	0	0	0	R.Baust 2b	3	1	2	0	0
Damon dh	4	0	1	0	OVWells cf	4	0	1	0	0
McCarr lf	4	1	1	0	Lind 1b	4	0	2	0	0
Boesch rf	3	0	0	0	A.Hill 2b	4	1	1	0	0
Alcks ph	1	0	0	0	Snider lf	4	0	3	0	0
Raburn lf-2b	4	1	0	0	ENcncr 3b	3	0	1	0	0
Inge 3b	4	0	0	0	JMcDnl 3b	4	0	0	0	0
Kelly cf	3	0	0	0	JPhRpt ph	1	0	0	0	0
Avila c	3	0	1	0	Totals	34	4	8	4	0
Totals	34	4	8	4	Totals	34	5	12	5	0

Detroit Tigers 7, Toronto Blue Jays 4										
Detroit					Toronto					
ab	r	h	bi	bi	ab	r	h	bi	bi	
Rhymss 2b	3	0	1	0	OFlewis dh	3	1	0	0	0
C.Wells ph-2	0	2	0	0	2.Yescor ss	4	2	2	0	0
Santias ss	4	0	0	0	R.Baust 2b	3	1	2	0	0
Damon dh	4	0	1	0	OVWells cf	4	0	1	0	0
McCarr lf	4	1	1	0	Lind 1b	4	0	2	0	0
Boesch rf	3	0	0	0	A.Hill 2b	4	1	1	0	0
Alcks ph	1	0	0	0	Snider lf	4	0	3	0	0
Raburn lf-2b	4	1	0	0	ENcncr 3b	3	0	1	0	0
Inge 3b	4	0	0	0	JMcDnl 3b	4	0	0	0	0
Kelly cf	3	0	0	0	JPhRpt ph	1	0	0	0	0
Avila c	3	0	1	0	Totals	34	4	8	4	0
Totals	34	4	8	4	Totals	34	5	12	5	0

Detroit Tigers 7, Toronto Blue Jays 4										
Detroit					Toronto					
ab	r	h	bi	bi	ab	r	h	bi	bi	
Rhymss 2b	3	0	1	0	OFlewis dh	3	1	0	0	0
C.Wells ph-2	0	2	0	0	2.Yescor ss	4	2	2	0	0
Santias ss	4	0	0	0	R.Baust 2b	3	1	2	0	0
Damon dh	4	0	1	0	OVWells cf	4	0	1	0	0
McCarr lf	4	1	1	0	Lind 1b	4	0	2	0	0
Boesch rf	3	0	0	0	A.Hill 2b	4	1	1	0	0
Alcks ph	1	0	0	0	Snider lf	4	0	3	0	0
Raburn lf-2b	4	1	0	0	ENcncr 3b	3	0	1	0	0
Inge 3b	4	0	0	0	JMcDnl 3b	4	0	0	0	0
Kelly cf	3	0	0	0	JPhRpt ph	1	0	0	0	0
Avila c	3	0	1	0	Totals	34	4	8	4	0
Totals	34	4	8	4	Totals	34	5	12	5	0

Detroit Tigers 7, Toronto Blue Jays 4										
Detroit					Toronto					
ab	r	h	bi	bi	ab	r	h	bi	bi	
Rhymss 2b	3	0	1	0	OFlewis dh	3	1	0	0	0
C.Wells ph-2	0	2	0	0	2.Yescor ss	4	2	2	0	0
Santias ss	4	0	0	0	R.Baust 2b	3	1	2	0	0
Damon dh	4	0	1	0	OVWells cf	4	0	1	0	0
McCarr lf	4	1	1	0	Lind 1b	4	0	2	0	0
Boesch rf	3	0	0	0	A.Hill 2b	4	1	1	0	0
Alcks ph	1	0	0	0	Snider lf	4	0	3	0	0
Raburn lf-2b	4	1	0	0	ENcncr 3b	3	0	1	0	0
Inge 3b	4	0	0	0	JMcDnl 3b	4	0	0	0	0
Kelly cf	3	0	0	0	JPhRpt ph	1	0	0	0	0
Avila c	3	0	1	0	Totals	34	4	8	4	0
Totals	34	4	8	4	Totals	34	5	12	5	0

Detroit Tigers 7, Toronto Blue Jays 4									
Detroit									



Johnson's HR helps Rays stun Red Sox in extras

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla. — Dan Johnson stunned the Boston Red Sox again, hitting a leadoff homer in the 10th inning that gave the Tampa Bay Rays a 3-2 victory Saturday night.

Johnson sent a 2-2 pitch from Scott Atchison (2-2) into the right-field stands for his second clutch home run against the Red Sox in three years. Johnson is best known for a game-tying shot off closer Jonathan Papelbon on Sept. 9, 2008, that keyed an important comeback win en route to Tampa Bay's only AL pennant.

Randy Choate (4-3) retired David Ortiz with a runner on first and two outs in the 10th.

TWINS 1, MARINERS 0

SEATTLE — Nick Blackburn and newly acquired reliever Brian Fuentes combined on a two-hitter for Minnesota.

Denard Span hit an RBI single in the third inning for the AL Central leaders.

After a walk to Ryan Langerhans in the second, Blackburn (8-8) retired 21 in a row before he walked Chone Figgins with two outs in the ninth. Fuentes was brought in to make his Twins debut and struck out Russell Branyan for his 24th save.

Blackburn allowed two hits against the punchless Mariners, both in the first inning. He struck out six and walked two on 98 pitches and came up just short of his first career shutout.

ATHLETICS 5, RANGERS 0

ARLINGTON, Texas —



AP photo

Dan Johnson watches his game-winning leadoff home run off Boston Red Sox reliever Scott Atchison during the 10th inning of the Tampa Bay Rays' 3-2 win Saturday night in St. Petersburg, Fla.

Dallas Braden pitched a four-hitter for his second career shutout, Daric Barton homered and Oakland cut a game off Texas' big lead in the AL West.

Braden (9-9) had been 4-7 since his perfect game against Tampa Bay on May 9, but the left-hander was in command from the start of this one. He didn't walk a batter and let only one runner reach third base.

The Rangers were shut out for only the third time this season and first at Rangers Ballpark. They still hold an 8½-game edge over the second-place A's, largest among the six major league divisions.

YANKEES 12, WHITE SOX 9

CHICAGO — CC Sabathia became the majors' first 18-game winner, Marcus Thames hit two of New York's four homers and the Yankees beat the White Sox.

Eduardo Nunez hit his first career homer and drove in four runs for New York. Nick Swisher connected for a two-run drive and Robinson Cano had three hits.

Sabathia (18-5) struck out nine in seven innings, but allowed five runs and nine hits.

INDIANS 4, ROYALS 3, 10 INNINGS

CLEVELAND — Asdrubal Cabrera led off the 10th inning with a home run to give the Indians a win over Kansas City.

Cabrera hit a 2-1 pitch from right-hander Jesse Chavez (2-2) into the right-field seats. The Indians won their third straight and moved within a game of fourth-place Kansas City in the AL Central.

Chris Perez (2-2), the fifth Indians pitcher, worked a scoreless 10th for the win.

Wilson Betemit hit a two-run homer off Cleveland

starter Jeanmar Gomez and tied it at 3 with an RBI double in the eighth against reliever Rafael Perez.

BLUE JAYS 5, TIGERS 4

TORONTO — Jose Bautista hit a two-run triple, Brandon Morrow earned his 10th win and the Blue Jays held off Detroit despite a shaky ninth inning.

One day after blowing a late lead, Kevin Gregg struck out Ramon Santiago with a runner on second for his 30th save.

The major league leader in home runs with 42, Bautista went 2 for 3 with a double, a triple and a walk. He has 99 RBIs this season.

ORIOLES 5, ANGELS 0

ANAHEIM, Calif. — Kevin Millwood scattered six hits over eight gritty innings and Orioles No. 9 hitter Josh Bell hit a two-run homer.

Millwood (3-14) won for the first time since posting back-to-back interleague wins over San Diego and Florida on June 19 and June 24. The 35-year-old right-hander, who spent his previous four seasons with the Texas Rangers, beat an AL team for the first time since pitching a complete-game 11-3 victory at Angel Stadium On Oct. 1 in his final start of 2009.

Millwood struck out five, walked one, and escaped jams in the fifth and seventh innings after the Angels put runners at the corners with one out both times. Three of the Angels' hits against him were doubles.

— The Associated Press

Major League Baseball

All times MDT										
	W	L	Pct	GB	WCB	LIO	Str	Home	Away	
New York	79	50	.612	—	—	6-4	W-1	42-22	37-28	
Tampa Bay	79	50	.612	—	—	6-4	W-1	40-25	39-25	
Boston	74	56	.569	5½	5½	6-4	L-1	40-26	34-30	
Toronto	68	61	.527	11	11	5-5	W-2	36-28	32-33	
Baltimore	47	83	.362	32½	32½	5-5	W-2	27-38	20-45	
Central Division										
	W	L	Pct	GB	WCB	LIO	Str	Home	Away	
Minnesota	75	55	.577	—	—	5-5	W-3	40-22	35-33	
Chicago	70	59	.543	4½	9	5-5	L-1	38-26	32-33	
Detroit	64	66	.492	11	15½	6-4	L-2	43-25	21-41	
Kansas City	54	75	.419	20½	25	4-6	L-2	29-33	25-42	
Cleveland	53	76	.411	21½	26	4-6	W-3	29-35	24-41	
West Division										
	W	L	Pct	GB	WCB	LIO	Str	Home	Away	
Texas	73	56	.566	—	—	6-4	W-1	43-25	30-31	
Oakland	64	64	.500	8½	14½	6-4	W-1	38-27	26-37	
Los Angeles	63	67	.485	10½	16½	3-7	L-2	34-31	29-36	
Seattle	50	79	.388	23	29	4-6	L-2	29-34	21-45	
National League										
East Division										
	W	L	Pct	GB	WCB	LIO	Str	Home	Away	
Atlanta	74	55	.574	—	—	4-6	W-1	45-18	29-37	
Philadelphia	72	57	.558	2	—	4-6	W-2	40-25	32-32	
Florida	65	63	.508	8½	6½	7-3	L-1	31-31	34-32	
New York	64	65	.496	10	8	5-5	L-1	38-25	26-40	
Washington	55	75	.423	19½	17½	4-6	W-1	33-31	22-44	
Central Division										
	W	L	Pct	GB	WCB	LIO	Str	Home	Away	
Cincinnati	74	55	.574	—	—	6-4	L-1	37-27	37-28	
St. Louis	69	58	.543	4	2	4-6	L-1	41-23	28-35	
Milwaukee	61	68	.473	13	11	6-4	W-2	32-35	29-33	
Houston	59	70	.457	15	13	7-3	W-1	32-33	27-37	
Chicago	55	75	.423	19½	17½	5-5	W-1	28-38	27-37	
Pittsburgh	43	86	.333	31	29	3-7	L-2	30-36	13-50	
West Division										
	W	L	Pct	GB	WCB	LIO	Str	Home	Away	
San Diego	76	52	.594	—	—	5-5	L-3	38-25	38-27	
San Francisco	71	59	.546	6	—	4-6	L-3	39-26	32-33	
Colorado	67	61	.523	9	4½	6-4	W-1	42-21	25-40	
Los Angeles	67	63	.515	10	5½	6-4	L-1	39-27	28-36	
Arizona	52	78	.400	25	20½	5-5	W-3	30-36	22-42	
AMERICAN LEAGUE										
Friday's Games										
Cleveland 15, Kansas City 4						Toronto 3, Detroit 2, 11 innings				
Boston 3, Tampa Bay 1						Texas 7, Oakland 3				
Chicago White Sox 9, N.Y. Yankees 4						Baltimore 3, L.A. Angels 1				
Minnesota 6, Seattle 3										
Saturday's Games										
Toronto 5, Detroit 4						Minnesota 1, Seattle 0				
Cleveland 4, Kansas City 3, 10 innings						N.Y. Yankees 12, Chicago White Sox 9				
Tampa Bay 3, Boston 2, 10 innings						Oakland 5, Texas 0				
Baltimore 5, L.A. Angels 0										
Sunday's Games										
Kansas City (Chen 8-7) at Cleveland (Carmona 11-2), 11:05 a.m.										
Detroit (Porcello 6-11) at Toronto (Rzepczynski 1-2), 11:07 a.m.										
N.Y. Yankees (Nova 0-0) at Chicago White Sox (Floyd 9-10), 12:05 p.m.										
Oakland (Gonzalez 11-8) at Texas (C. Lewis 9-10), 1:05 p.m.										
Baltimore (Guthrie 7-13) at L.A. Angels (Jeter 11-9), 1:35 p.m.										
Minnesota (Pavano 15-9) at Seattle (French 2-4), 2:10 p.m.										
Boston (Lackey 12-7) at Tampa Bay (J. Shields 12-11), 6:05 p.m.										
Monday's Games										
Chicago White Sox at Cleveland, 5:05 p.m.										
Oakland at N.Y. Yankees, 5:05 p.m.										
Toronto at Tampa Bay, 5:10 p.m.										
Texas at Kansas City, 6:10 p.m.										
L.A. Angels at Seattle, 8:10 p.m.										
NATIONAL LEAGUE										
Friday's Games										
St. Louis 4, Washington 2						Cincinnati 7, Chicago Cubs 1				
N.Y. Mets 2, Houston 1						Florida 7, Atlanta 1				
Milwaukee 7, Pittsburgh 2						L.A. Dodgers 6, Colorado 2				
Philadelphia 3, San Diego 2, 12 innings						Arizona 6, San Francisco 0				
Saturday's Games										
Philadelphia 3, San Diego 1						Washington 14, St. Louis 5				
Chicago Cubs 3, Cincinnati 2						Atlanta 12, Florida 3				
Houston 4, N.Y. Mets 1						Milwaukee 8, Pittsburgh 7, 11 innings				
Colorado 5, L.A. Dodgers 3						Arizona 11, San Francisco 3				
Sunday's Games										
Chicago Cubs (Coleman 1-1) at Cincinnati (TrWood 4-2), 11:10 a.m.										
Houston (Norris 6-7) at N.Y. Mets (Dickey 8-5), 11:10 a.m.										
Florida (Jo Johnson 11-5) at Atlanta (D. Lowe 11-12), 11:35 a.m.										
St. Louis (Wainwright 17-8) at Washington (Lannan 5-6), 11:35 a.m.										
Pittsburgh (Morton 1-9) at Milwaukee (Bush 6-11), 12:10 p.m.										
L.A. Dodgers (Lilly 8-8) at Colorado (Hammel 8-7), 12:10 p.m.										
Arizona (R. Lopez 5-12) at San Francisco (M. Cain 10-10), 2:05 p.m.										
Philadelphia (Hamel 7-10) at San Diego (Richard 12-5), 2:05 p.m.										
Monday's Games										
Milwaukee at Cincinnati, 5:10 p.m.										
N.Y. Mets at Atlanta, 5:10 p.m.										
Washington at Florida, 5:10 p.m.										
Pittsburgh at Chicago Cubs, 6:05 p.m.										
St. Louis at Houston, 6:05 p.m.										
San Diego at Arizona, 7:40 p.m.										
Philadelphia at L.A. Dodgers, 8:10 p.m.										
Colorado at San Francisco, 8:15 p.m.										

Phillies edge Padres to pad wildcard lead

SAN DIEGO — Shane Victorino had two of Philadelphia's three hits, including a go-ahead triple off Jon Garland in the seventh inning that helped the Phillies to their second straight win against the NL West-leading San Diego Padres, 3-1 on Saturday.

The Phillies, 13-2 against NL West teams, protected their wild-card lead, which was a half-game over San Francisco entering the day. San Diego, which has lost three straight games for only the second time this season, led the Giants by six.

Brad Lidge pitched a perfect ninth for his 18th save in 23 chances. On Friday night, Lidge balked in the tying run with two outs in the ninth, but the Phillies won 3-2 in 12 innings.

Jayson Werth scored on both of Victorino's hits. Victorino, the center fielder, also threw out Nick Hundley at the plate to end the fifth.

CUBS 3, REDS 2

CINCINNATI — Kosuke Fukudome hit a tiebreaking, two-run homer off Bronson Arroyo, and Chicago finally ended years of futility against the right-hander by beating Cincinnati.

Fukudome's homer in the fifth inning sent Arroyo (14-8) to his first loss against the Cubs since 2007. Arroyo had won his last five decisions against Chicago, including his two starts this season.

Randy Wells (6-12) got a victory on his 28th birthday — his first win since July 23. Wells limited the NL's top offense to five hits and a pair of runs in six innings, including Joey Votto's solo homer. Chicago's bullpen allowed only one hit, with Carlos Marmol pitching the



AP photo

Philadelphia Phillies reliever Brad Lidge, right, is congratulated by catcher Carlos Ruiz after their 3-1 win over the San Diego Padres Saturday in San Diego.

ninth for his 24th save in 29 tries.

BRAVES 12, MARLINS 3

ATLANTA — Tim Hudson struck out a career-high 13 and Martin Prado equaled his career best with five RBIs, powering Atlanta to a rout of Florida.

Matt Diaz and Eric Hinske also homered for the Braves, who scored six runs in the second and snapped a four-game losing streak, their longest since April. They maintained a two-game lead in the NL East over Philadelphia.

Hudson (15-5), who has come back from major elbow surgery with perhaps the best season of his career, surpassed 1,500 strikeouts for his career. This was just the 11th time in 37 starts that the sinkerballer has put up double-digit Ks.

NATIONALS 14, CARDINALS 5

WASHINGTON — Adam

Dunn broke out of a prolonged slump with a homer and five RBIs, leading Washington to a victory over St. Louis.

Dunn was in an 8-for-66 skid over 20 games when he doubled home two runs for a 4-3 Nationals lead in a four-run third inning. With the score tied at 5 in the fifth, Dunn hit a three-run shot, his 32nd of the season and first since Aug. 11.

Livan Hernandez (9-9) allowed five runs in 6 1-3 innings to win for the first time in five starts.

ASTROS 4, METS 1

NEW YORK — Carlos Lee homered off Johan Santana, Brett Myers set a team record and Houston won for the first time at Citi Field.

Lee also hit an RBI single in the first inning, when the Astros, who have won six of seven, got to Santana (10-9) for two quick runs. The New York Mets ace has an

ERA of 8.04 in the first inning this season.

Myers (10-7) gave up six hits and a walk in seven innings. He faced exactly four batters in every inning and never allowed a runner past second.

ROCKIES 5, DODGERS 3

DENVER — Jhoulys Chacin pitched seven solid innings, Todd Helton and Carlos Gonzalez homered and Colorado beat the Los Angeles Dodgers.

Gonzalez also tripled and scored two runs for the Rockies, who kept pace with Philadelphia in the NL wild-card race. Colorado is four games back of the Phillies.

Rod Barajas homered for the Dodgers, who had won the first four games of their six-game road trip.

Chacin (7-9) allowed one run and four hits while winning his second consecutive start. He walked four and struck out seven.

BREWERS 8, PIRATES 7

MILWAUKEE — Lorenzo Cain hit a game-ending single in the 11th inning to lift Milwaukee.

Ryan Braun led off the 11th with a single off Wil Ledeuzma (0-1) and advanced to second when second baseman Neil Walker bobbled Prince Fielder's sharp grounder for an error. Casey McGehee flew out to left before the Brewers rookie center fielder hit a line drive to left.

Kameron Loe (3-3) picked up the win after pitching a scoreless 11th.

DIAMONDBACKS 11, GIANTS 3

SAN FRANCISCO — Miguel Montero hit a three-run double to highlight a six-run first inning and the Arizona Diamondbacks went on to beat Barry Zito.

— The Associated Press

Chasing the Triple Crown: History shows it can be won without having a career year

By Rick Hummel
St. Louis Post-Dispatch

Now that Albert Pujols has reached 400 home runs in under 10 full seasons, the attention focused on him individually rather than as the leader of a contending team is on the possibility of his winning the Triple Crown in batting.

There has been no Triple Crown winner in the majors since Carl Yastrzemski with Boston in 1967 and none in the National League since the Cardinals' Joe Medwick in 1937. And Yastrzemski has something of an asterisk beside his because he tied with Minnesota's Harmon Killebrew for the home run title.

One of the interesting aspects of Pujols' quest is that if he does win the Triple Crown (highest batting average, most home runs, most runs batted in), he won't be having his best season statistically in any of those categories.

Pujols was hitting .320 through Friday. His highest average was .359 in 2003 when he won the league batting title.

He had 35 home runs through Friday and isn't likely to reach 49, his high for home runs in 2006. And he had 94 RBI, well short of his 137 in 2006.

In the Year of the Pitcher, his numbers are all very laudable, but the point is that, historically, many of the Triple Crowns have been won when the winners didn't have their best statistical seasons in any categories.

Of the 13 Triple Crowns captured since the two leagues began playing World Series in 1903, only two were achieved when a player had his best seasons in all three categories. One was Medwick's when he had 31 homers, 154 RBI and a .374 average in 1937. Yastrzemski had the other with 44 homers, 121 RBI and a .326 average in 1967.

Boston's Ted Williams, for instance, twice won the Triple Crown — in 1942 and 1947 — and on neither occasion did he achieve his single-season highs in any category.

Laird seizes control at The Barclays

PARAMUS, N.J. — Martin Laird suspected that four straight birdies early in the round and no bogeys had put him in the lead Saturday at The Barclays. When he finally glanced at a leaderboard, it gave him quite a jolt.

And it had nothing to do with the size of his three-shot lead.

The board occasionally shows the projected FedEx Cup standings. Laird, who started these playoffs at No. 95 and was hopeful of reaching the second round, saw his name at No. 1.

"I didn't think I'd come in here and move that much," Laird said after his 6-under 65. "I caught a glimpse of the projected FedEx Cup and I got a little shock."

It was a not-so-subtle reminder that winning goes a long way in these playoffs, and Laird put himself in a great spot. He was at 12-under 201, three shots clear of Dustin Johnson and Jason Day with one round left at Ridgewood Country Club.

A victory for the 27-year-old Scot would move him to No. 1, assuring him a spot in all four majors next year, and making him a serious contender for the \$10 million FedEx Cup payoff.

Tiger Woods also has something at stake Sunday, but it most likely won't be a trophy. After missing only one fairway in each of the first two rounds, Woods hit his opening tee shot off the property and took triple bogey. He couldn't get those three shots back and shot 72, putting him nine shots behind. He needs a steady final round just to advance to second round next week outside Boston.

For Johnson, who has found nothing but hard luck in the majors this year, it will be his second straight tournament playing in the final group. So much for that hangover from the PGA Championship, where he was penalized two shots on the final hole when he didn't realize he was in a bunker at Whistling Straits, knocking him out of a playoff.

Johnson, struggling with a cold and his swing earlier in the week, began to hit his stride on a sunny day in northern New Jersey. On the 616-yard 13th hole, he blasted a 3-wood to about 15 feet for eagle, and added consecutive birdies a short time later on his way to a 64 that gave him a chance to win.

"I definitely put myself into the hunt," Johnson said.

The good news? Everyone knows what a bunker looks like at Ridgewood.

Day remains in the hunt, too, although he didn't help himself on a day for scoring at Ridgewood. The 22-year-old Australian regained the lead by chipping for eagle on the short par-4 fifth hole, but he simply missed too many putts and struggled enough with his driver — he hit only four fairways —



Martin Laird watches his tee shot on No. 13 during the third round of The Barclays golf tournament Saturday in Paramus, N.J.

AP photo

to give it away. Day made five bogeys, one of them on a par 5 on the back nine, and had to settle for a 70.

"Just hit more fairways and I'll be able to set myself up better at making birdies," Day said.

Adam Scott birdied the 18th hole for a 68 and was four shots behind.

Justin Rose, in his final round before European captain Colin Montgomerie makes his captain's picks for the Ryder Cup, went off early having narrowly made the cut and shot 65 to join the group at 7-under 206 that included Ryan Palmer, Matt Kuchar, John Senden, Vaughn Taylor and Kevin Streelman.

"I think it's a tight selection process," said Rose, who has been quiet since wins at the Memorial and AT&T National. "It's just been nice to make a little bit of noise and shoot a great round to show him my game is there. I didn't go out there to prove anything today. But I'm glad that it worked out. I think it's a timely round of golf."

Woods was in a tie for 28th, continuing his slide since he opened with a 65 to share the first-round lead.

The top 100 in the standings — Woods is at No. 112 — make it to the Deutsche Bank Championship, which donates its proceeds to the Tiger Woods Foundation. Woods likely will need something around par in the final round to get there.

WIE FALLS INTO CANADIAN OPEN TIE

WINNIPEG, Manitoba — Overnight

leader Michelle Wie shot an even-par 72 to fall into a tie with Jiyai Shin after a rainy day at the Canadian Women's Open.

Shin shot a 69 to erase the three-stroke lead Wie took into the third round at the St. Charles Country Club. Both were at 10-under for the tournament.

Na Yeon Choi of South Korea sank a 60-foot birdie putt on the 18th hole to move into a tie for third at 6-under with fellow South Korean Jee Young Lee and Norway's Suzann Pettersen.

LANGER LEADS BOEING CLASSIC

SNOQUALMIE, Wash. — Bernhard Langer fired a 9-under 63 to take a one-shot lead over Nick Price after the second round of the Champions Tour's Boeing Classic.

Price struggled to make birdies on the back nine and finished with a 67, allowing Langer to overtake the opening round leader.

Langer made a 12-foot birdie on the 12th hole to pull within a shot of Price and move to 6-under on the round. With Price making pars, Langer continued his run to the top of the leaderboard. Birdies at Nos. 14 and 15 gave him the outright lead and a birdie at 18 moved him to 15-under par for the tournament.

Tom Pernice shot a 70 and is in third at minus 10.

— The Associated Press

Vikings pull away from Seahawks

MINNEAPOLIS — While Brett Favre had an up-and-down 2010 Metrodome debut, his two newest receivers definitely gave him something to smile about.

Favre threw for 187 yards and two interceptions, one that rookie Earl Thomas returned 86 yards for a touchdown in Minnesota's 24-13 victory over the Seattle Seahawks on Saturday night.

Favre completed 16 of 26 passes and took a couple of big hits while playing two series into the third quarter. His interception to Thomas went in and out of the hands of Bernard Berrian.

Thomas delivered Seattle's lone touchdown of the game and also leveled Percy Harvin on a slant over the middle. It was a big night for the heavy-hitting safety from Texas, taken by the Seahawks with the 14th overall pick over Taylor Mays, who was a standout for coach Pete Carroll at USC.

Greg Camarillo had four catches for 47 yards and Javon Walker made a great catch over Walter Thurmond for a 25-yard TD from Sage Rosenfels in the fourth quarter for the Vikings.

Favre, who was coaxed back for a 20th NFL season on Aug. 18, played eight series on Saturday night. He led the Vikings to one field goal and a touchdown, a 24-yard run by Adrian Peterson that was set up by a 73-yard kickoff return by Darius Reynaud.

TEXANS 23, COWBOYS 7

HOUSTON — Arian Foster rushed for 110 yards and a touchdown, and Matt Schaub threw a TD pass to Jacoby Jones for the Texans.

Foster, who emerged as Houston's most dependable running back late last season, became the first Texan to go over 100 yards rushing in a preseason game. The Texans finished with 173 yards rushing, an encouraging sign for coach Gary Kubiak, whose team ranked 30th in rushing (92 yards per game) last season.

Houston's defense also played well, a week after giving up 409 yards in a 38-20 loss to New Orleans. Rookie Kareem Jackson returned an interception 64 yards, and the Texans (1-2) held the Cowboys' first-team offense to 135 total yards.

Tony Romo was sacked twice and fumbled, and Dallas (2-2) mustered only 7 yards rushing before the reserves took over late in the third quarter.

RAVENS 24, GIANTS 10

BALTIMORE — Joe Flacco threw for 229 yards and two touchdowns for the pass-happy Baltimore Ravens, whose no-huddle offense befuddled the New York Giants.

Flacco completed 21 of 34 passes before leaving after one series in the third quarter. Last year, he threw as many as 34 passes only seven times for a team that relied heavily on the run.

CARDINALS 14, BEARS 9

CHICAGO — Derek Anderson and Matt Leinart each threw for a touchdown while delivering solid if not spectacular performances.

Coach Ken Whisenhunt had Anderson start after the watching the first-team offense struggle with Leinart, and he responded by completing 7 of 12 passes for 94 yards.

Leinart came in late in the second quarter and was 9 of 10 for 84 yards, with a touchdown pass early in the third that made it 14-0.

PANTHERS 15, TITANS 7

CHARLOTTE, N.C. — Carolina's overhauled defense hardly looked like it missed Julius Peppers, sacking Vince Young four times, keeping Vince Johnson in check and holding Tennessee to 50 yards in the first half.



AP photo

Minnesota Vikings wide receiver Greg Camarillo, right, gives chase as Seattle Seahawks cornerback Marcus Trufant intercepts a Brett Favre pass in the third quarter of Saturday's preseason football game in Minneapolis.

But the Titans stymied Matt Moore and DeAngelo Williams, with Carolina's first-team offense still looking for its first touchdown of the preseason despite playing into the fourth quarter against Tennessee's second- and third-stringers.

Johnson managed just 10 yards on eight carries with little room to roam in his most extensive work of the preseason. He has 39 yards on 19 carries in three games.

BILLS 35, BENGALS 20

ORCHARD PARK, N.Y. — Rookie running back C.J. Spiller scored twice to lead Buffalo.

After scoring on a 1-yard run, the first-round draft pick put the Bills (2-1) ahead for good, 21-14, with a 20-yard touchdown run in the final minute of the first half. Spiller now has three touchdowns in two starts in place of injured veterans Fred Jackson and Marshawn Lynch.

LIONS 35, BROWNS 27

DETROIT — Matthew Stafford threw a touchdown pass, rookie Jahvid Best had a 51-yard run and Aaron Brown scored twice in the fourth quarter to lift Detroit.

Stafford was 13 of 17 for 141 yards and connected with Bryant Johnson in the end zone on Detroit's first drive.

Jake Delhomme was 20 of 25 for 152 yards and a TD for the Browns.

Cleveland rookie Colt McCoy fumbled on his first drive to set up a lead-padding touchdown for the Lions.

JAGUARS 19, BUCCANEERS 13

TAMPA, Fla. — Josh Johnson gave the Tampa Bay Buccaneers the reassurance they sought with starting quarterback Josh Freeman sidelined by a broken thumb. Jacksonville backup Luke McCown showed his team the way to the end zone.

Filling in for Freeman, who the Bucs expect to return in time for their regular season opener, Johnson completed 9 of 14 passes for 122 yards and one touchdown to build a 13-6 lead before leaving the game in the third quarter.

49ERS 28, RAIDERS 24

OAKLAND, Calif. — Bruce Gradkowski and David Carr left no doubt about who the backup quarterbacks will be on their teams.

Gradkowski threw for 202 yards and two touchdowns after Jason Campbell left with an injury for the Oakland Raiders, and David Carr led a late touchdown drive that gave the San Francisco 49ers victory in the annual Battle of the Bay.

Campbell left the game in the second quarter after being hurt on a sack. Campbell was down for about 5 minutes before leaving in the passenger seat of a cart with what the team described as a stinger.

There was no word on other information available during the game.

— The Associated Press

Federer confident heading to U.S. Open

NEW YORK (AP) — Riding in a car a few days before the start of the 2010 U.S. Open, Roger Federer was discussing the state of his game during a telephone interview when he suddenly interjected a warning.

"Just so you know, I'm going through the Midtown Tunnel here," Federer said, "so if we get cut off, I'll call you back, OK?"

Which illustrated two traits: The guy is exceedingly polite — and he knows his way around New York quite well. The latter quality might result from so many extended stays in the Big Apple over the years, sticking around long enough to reach every man's final at Flushing Meadows since 2004.

If there have been questions raised in recent months about where Federer's career

is headed, there is at least one person who is adamant that it's far too soon to write him off.

You guessed it: Federer himself.

"As high as my confidence has been the last few years," Federer said in an interview with The Associated Press, "I don't feel like I'm any less confident."

When the U.S. Open begins Monday, Rafael Nadal will try to complete a career Grand Slam, Andy Murray will seek his first major title and Novak Djokovic his second, and Andy Roddick will aim to end an American drought.

And Federer? He gets a chance to show that reports of his demise are premature, and that he still possesses the

on-court qualities that let him lord over tennis for so long: the slick movement, the sublime forehand, and the pinpoint serve on display in that popular is-it-real-or-fake YouTube video.

"Rafa, Murray and Djokovic are all looking good, too, so I think it's going to be a U.S. Open with multiple favorites," Federer said. "But I guess I'm one of the big ones or bigger ones — if not the biggest one — because of my history here over the last six years, making the final each year."

That run includes five U.S. Open championships, part of his record haul of 16 Grand Slam titles. It also helped Federer accumulate semifi-



Federer

It's Japan vs. Hawaii for Little League World Series title

SOUTH WILLIAMSPORT, Pa., (AP) — Hawaii's offensive punch followed Japan's stirring win in extra innings to create some high drama at the Little League World Series.

Now, the two teams will meet Sunday to decide who flies home with a World Series title.

Ryo Motegi's RBI grounder through the infield with two outs gave Tokyo, Japan, a 3-2 win over Kaoshiung, Taiwan, to claim the international title Saturday, before Noah Shackles' two-run homer to center capped a four-run first for the boys from Waipahu, Hawaii, in a 10-0

win over Pearland, Texas, in the U.S. championship.

Shackles finished 2 for 2 with three runs, and lefty Ezra Heleski allowed just two hits for the local Waipio Little League from Waipahu trying to win its second tournament crown in three years. The game ended with one out in the fifth because of Little League's 10-run rule.

"USA! USA!" chanted the Hawaii fans afterward. Many held mini-state flags and leave they have been waving in the stands all week for good luck.

After avoiding elimination four straight days, Hawaii has one more big game to go.

Manager Brian Yoshii isn't making any predictions.

"But I tell you these kids will leave everything on the field and play their hearts out to make their community proud, and the state proud and the West proud," he said before Shackles whispered his manager to say something else.

"And the United States," Yoshii said with a smile before replying to his 13-year-old third baseman. "Thank you for covering for me."

It was the 5-foot-10 Shackles and the 5-foot-1 Heleski — one of the shortest players on Hawaii — who

played key roles in shutting down a powerful Pearland squad that hit a tournament-leading eight homers entering Saturday.

Heleski kept them off-balance in striking out six and chipping in with two RBIs.

"I couldn't begin to tell you how proud of these kids I am. It has nothing to do with what happened results-wise," Texas manager Mike Orlando said. "We tried very hard to get the kids fired up after we got behind. I tried to tell them there were 1,000 Little League teams that (would) trade places with you in a heartbeat."

MAGIC VALLEY SPORTS ANNOUNCEMENTS

BUHL HOLDS FOOTBALL SIGN-UPS

BUHL — Buhl will hold registration for flag football (grades 2-4) and tackle football (grades 5-6) from 6 to 8 p.m. Tuesday at Popplewell Elementary. Equipment will be issued for tackle football at registration. The cost for flag football is \$20 and tackle football is \$55, which includes a T-shirt for all participants. Volunteer coaches are needed. Information: Mylyn or Brian at 543-9131 (evenings).

RAPIDS HOLD U11-12 TRYOUTS

TWIN FALLS — The Twin Falls Rapids Soccer Club is holding tryouts for an additional U11-U12 girls competition team for the 2010-11 seasonal playing year. Recreational soccer players are encouraged to attend. Information: Tracy Clark at 308-8757 or <http://www.twinfall-srapids.com>.

CSI HOOPS TICKETS ON SALE

Season tickets for 2010-11 College of Southern Idaho men's and women's basketball are available. Tickets are \$210 per seat and may be purchased through the CSI athletic department. Information: 732-6486.

PEARSON TENNIS TOURNAMENT SET

SUN VALLEY — The Lyle Pearson Labor Day Tennis Championships presented by Sun Valley Resort will be held Sept. 3-6. The tournament is open to players of all ages and levels of play. Entry deadline is Monday. Information: 622-2156 or email info@desertrenter.com.

SOLE 2 SOUL NEARS IN DECLO

The inaugural Sole 2 Soul run and walk will be held Saturday, Sept. 4 in Declo. The event

includes a 5k, 10k and half marathon. In addition to the races, there will be activities for kids, such as a bounce house, dunk tank and face painting. Proceeds benefit families in the process of adopting children. Info: sole2soulrun.com.

CSI FALL INTENSITY CAMP SET

The College of Southern Idaho's Fall Intensity Camp will provide fall basketball workouts for boys in grades 9-12. The camp sessions include drills used by CSI, as well as major programs like Duke, Kentucky, Washington and more. Camp sessions will be held from 9 to 11 a.m. on Saturdays and 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. on Wednesdays. Dates include Sept. 4, 8, 11, 15, 22, 25, 29 and Oct. 2. Individuals may register for single sessions (\$15 per session) or all sessions (\$105, receive one session free). There are only 24 spots available. Information: Colby Blaine at 340-7588 or e-mail cblaine@csi.edu.

RIDLEY'S MATCH PLAY SLATED

Entries are being accepted for the inaugural Ridley's Match Play Championship, Sept. 4-6 at Twin Falls Golf Club. The entry fee has been reduced to \$150 per golfer. Entry forms are available at <http://www.ridleysmatchplay.com>. Information: 733-3326.

JRD HOLDS YOUTH SIGN-UPS

JEROME — Jerome Recreation District has extended registration for co-ed soccer, flag football and youth volleyball now until Sept. 5. Fees are \$17 in district and \$27 out of district for coed fall soccer (ages 4-grade 6), flag football (grades 2-5) and youth volleyball (grades 5-8). Soccer and flag football begin play

Sept. 11. Volleyball begins play Sept. 13. Registration can be done on phone 324-3389, in person at 2032 South Lincoln, or online at www.jeromerecreationdistrict.com.

MARLINS OFFER FREE TRIAL WEEK

The Magic Valley Marlins swim club will kick off its fall season with a free trial session for non-Marlin swimmers from Sept. 7 to 10 at the YMCA City Pool, located on Locust Street North. The practices will run from 4 to 5 p.m. each day. Interested swimmers must be age 5 or older and able to swim 25 yards. There will be a parent meeting at the conclusion of the last swim session to answer questions about the team. The Marlins team begins practice at 4 p.m., Monday, Sept. 13.

Information: Nikki at 404-6122 or Noella at 539-5592.

LATHAM MEMORIAL TOURNAMENT NEARS

The Rhett James Latham Memorial Golf Tournament will be held Saturday, Sept. 11 at Twin Falls Golf Club. Sign-ups are available on Facebook at the Rhett James Latham Golf Benefit page. Registration will be held from noon to 1 p.m., Sept. 11, with a sack lunch served at 1 p.m. Play begins with 1:30 p.m. shotgun start. A dinner and reception follow. The cost is \$75 per player or \$300 per four-person team. Proceeds benefit the Carson Ziegenhagen-Latham Scholarship Fund. Information: 420-2946.

MVTA HOSTS TOURNAMENT

The Magic Valley Tennis Association's 2010 Social Tournament and Annual Meeting will be held at 10 a.m., Saturday, Sept. 11 at the Frontier Park tennis courts. The entry fee is \$10 per

team and check-in begins at 9:30 a.m. Entry deadline is Sept. 8. Interested players are invited to join the MVTA at the event. The entry fee includes balls, lunch and a raffle ticket.

Register at <http://www.mvtanet.com>, e-mail mvtennis@hotmail.com or call Verylyn Broek at 404-9442. Information: online at <http://www.mvtanet.com>.

TFPR HOLDING SPORTIES FOR SHORTIES

The Twin Falls Parks and Recreation department will hold "Sporties for Shorties," two non-competitive programs designed for 4- and 5-year-old boys and girls. A football program will run Saturdays from Sept. 11 to Oct. 2, while a basketball program is also upcoming.

Parents are required to participate and assist with their child. Each participant will receive a T-shirt.

VAN DYK MEMORIAL SCRAMBLE NEARS

JEROME — The 12th annual Pete Van Dyk Memorial Golf Scramble will be held Saturday, Sept. 11 at Jerome Country Club. Registration begins at 11:30 a.m. with play beginning at 1 p.m. The event is sponsored by the Jerome High School Booster Club. Information: Kristi Patterson at 308-5929 or <http://web.d261.k12.id.ud/boosters>.

JRD HOLDS FIT 4 LIFE PROGRAM

Jerome Recreation District's Fit 4 Life kids afterschool program begins Sept. 13. The cost is \$60 per month (with September prorated to \$42). The program runs from 3:10 to 5:30 p.m. Monday-Friday and includes fitness activi-

ties, fitness classes, snacks and homework time. Tutoring will be available.

Program days off will be the same as the Jerome School District calendar. Information: JRD at 324-3389.

JRD HOLDS HEALTHY HEART WALK

JEROME — Jerome Recreation District's Healthy Heart Walk will be held at 8 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 18. The cost is \$12. The walk begins at the JRD and follows a 3.64-mile path around Jerome. Participants will receive a T-shirt and refreshments. Information: JRD at 324-3389.

RIM 2 RIM RACE SET

The Rim 2 Rim race will be held Sept. 18 in Twin Falls. Walkers will begin the race at 9 a.m., with runners at 10 a.m. Those doing new Half Rim will start at 9:30. The Rim to Rim starts and ends at Blue Lakes Country Club. Proceeds benefit Habitat for Humanity in the Magic Valley. Registration forms may be printed at <http://www.habitatmagicvalley.org> and registration is available at <http://www.spondoro.com>. Information: 731-1334 or Linda@habitatmagicvalley.org.

SKATE PARK SCRAMBLE NEARS

A golf scramble to benefit the Jerome Skate Park will be held Sept. 18 at Clear Lake Country Club in Buhl. The cost for the four-man scramble is \$55 per person and includes dinner. Dinner guests are \$15 (\$10.50 for ages 12 and under). Play begins with a 1:30 p.m. shotgun start. Registration ends Sept. 11. Information: Sheryl at 324-6533.

SEIDERS MEMORIAL TOURNAMENT SET

The sixth annual Chad Sieders

Memorial Coed One Pitch Tournament will be held Sept. 24-26 at Harmon Park and Frontier Park in Twin Falls. The cost is \$200 per team and there is a four-game guarantee. Information: Deb Sieders at 358-0884.

JACKPOT TOURNAMENT NEARS

The Jackpot Community Church will hold a golf tournament Saturday, Sept. 25, beginning with a 10 a.m. shotgun start. The cost for the four-man scramble is \$55 per player. Proceeds will go toward maintenance of the church. Information: Pam Dennis at 731-8187.

HARLEM AMBASSADORS COMING TO TWIN FALLS

The Harlem Ambassadors will perform at 7 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 30, the College of Southern Idaho Gymnasium. The Ambassadors are a traveling basketball team that put on a show similar to the Harlem Globetrotters. Advance tickets are available at CSI gym and are \$8 for adults, \$6 for seniors and \$4 for students. Tickets at the door will be \$10 for adults and \$8 for student and seniors.

OAKLEY FOOTBALL HOLDS RAFFLE

OAKLEY — The Oakley football team will raffle off 10 Sportsman's Warehouse gift cards for guns. Drawings will be held at Oakley home football games in October. To increase the odds of winning, a limited number of tickets (350) will be sold at \$50 each. If for any reason an individual cannot purchase a firearm due to a personal background check, they can still use the gift card for other purchases at Sportsman's Warehouse.

— Staff reports

Big 2nd quarter helps U.S. run away from Croatia

ISTANBUL (AP) — For weeks, U.S. players have been hearing about what they aren't.

Not big enough. Not old enough. And maybe even not good enough.

On Saturday, they finally got to show what they believe they can be: the team that ends a 16-year world championship drought.

Kevin Durant scored 14 points and got the United States started on a dominant second-quarter stretch in a 106-78 victory over Croatia in its opening game of the tournament.

"People aren't expecting us to come out here and win, so we just wanted to make a statement and I think tonight we did," Durant said.

Eric Gordon made four 3-point-

ers and had 16 points to lead the Americans, who turned a close game into a blowout by limiting the Croatians to six points in the second quarter. Chauncey Billups finished with 12 points.

It was an impressive start for a U.S. team that came to Turkey without any players who helped them win the gold medal in the 2008 Olympics. Instead of those superstars, the Americans are left with a young, undersized team that features Durant, the NBA's leading scorer, as its centerpiece.

He scored five straight points to kick off the decisive burst early in the second quarter and added eight rebounds in just 21 minutes.

All 12 players scored for the

Americans, as coach Mike Krzyzewski was able to give his starters plenty of rest with the U.S. playing its three toughest Group B games in the first three days of the tournament.

Though USA Basketball officials hoped to have a LeBron James or Kobe Bryant — whose picture hangs in a large poster just inside the entrance — they couldn't have asked for much more than what they saw from the replacements Saturday.

And it's this group, which has been called the U.S. "B" team that can earn an automatic berth into the 2012 Olympics by winning the worlds — which has rarely been easy for the United States.

Clubs

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"I don't think the people (involved) in club sports are bad people. I think they really think they're doing what's best for kids. I wish that club and high school would work together to do what's best for the kids, but that's not always the case."

Jim Cartisser, a former CSI assistant women's volleyball coach and current director at Club Canyon, accepts Federico's philosophy but believes that there can be compromise between high school and club sports. He said he understands there's a responsibility of multiple-sport participation, especially with players from smaller schools, and leaves it to the individual players to make the necessary arrangements without offering advice either way.

Cartisser also sees club sports as an investment vehicle for a big future return in the form of an athletic scholarship. His 2010 class of club players marked the fourth straight year in which every high school senior playing at Club Canyon that demonstrated a desire to play college athletics earned a chance to do so, he said.

"Parents sometimes ask about the cost and why we have to go to these tournaments. ... If you get a scholarship to Idaho State University, the costs for school a couple of years ago were right around \$17,000 a year in-state for tuition, books, housing, the whole nine yards," he said. "If parents spend \$3,000 a year for club over four years, they could get all that money back the very first year (of college). If you're good enough to get recruited, and you're trying to get a scholarship, you're almost foolish not to do it."

One huge benefit in exposure for club athletes over high school stars is scheduling. High school and college sport seasons generally occur simultaneously, making it difficult for college head coaches to see many prospective recruits during the prep calendar. That changes, however, when

high-school athletes join their out-of-season travel teams to compete in huge tournaments against top competition. Almost every major college men's basketball coach packs the gym for a massive AAU tournament, so club participation is almost a must for anyone desiring to play college ball at the highest level.

"It's really a matter of convenience (from a recruiting standpoint)," said CSI men's basketball coach Steve Gosar. "AAU can put an Idaho kid against a Los Angeles kid, head to head, and we can see who the more talented player is. If you're good enough you're going to get seen (even in high school), but coaches want to be able to compare you with similar talent. It's getting harder and harder ... there's more and more competition for scholarships."

Gosar makes three or four out-of-area trips during a typical college season to take in high school games, primarily in the Boise area. But that's three or four games over the same number of trips to Boise, as opposed to taking in as many games — if not more — in one day at a summer tournament.

One day at a summer tournament changed Niu's life. It was in Las Vegas, where 951 Elite performed well at an elite tournament. CSI head coach Heidi Cartisser, Jim Cartisser's wife, got in contact with Niu shortly after the tournament, and it wasn't long before Niu became the first member of the Golden Eagles' 2010 recruiting class.

Heidi Cartisser probably never would have seen her new starting libero had Niu decided that club volleyball wasn't for her.

"I haven't seen a single out-of-state high school match, so if we're going to see you and you're not from Idaho, you pretty much have to play club," Cartisser said.

With a few sports, such as softball, there's an additional perk. Showcase tournaments, as they're called, offer coaches an opportunity to view club players and get a feel for how they could project at

the next level. Runs aren't recorded and there aren't official innings, just three outs per team per turn. College coaches can even sidle up to the club coaches and ask them to move players to other positions at which they may prove more viable as college players.

"It's good because as a college coach, you can ask the club coach to move a girl to a certain position to see how she does," said CSI softball coach Nick Baumert. "But in that setting you're not going to be able to see how a player will react to being down two runs in the seventh inning or other intangibles like that."

While club sports are most popular in states like California, Florida and Texas, Idaho is not far behind. More opportunities for club basketball, softball and soccer are cropping up around the state, and volleyball is increasingly popular in the Magic Valley, according to both Cartissers.

With the growing possibility of shifting the lion's share of financial burden for funding high school athletics from school districts to athletes and their parents — something one athletic director recently called inevitable on some level — there's a small but legitimate concern that club sports could one day render high school athletics irrelevant. Players harboring college aspirations could forsake the prep scene altogether and spend their money where they'll get the most exposure.

This is where the two sides have common ground, however: no matter how popular the club scene becomes, nobody wants high school sports to suffer as a result.

"I think in places bigger than Idaho it's already happening," Federico said. "With money the way it is in this situation — I hate to say it — I could see sports taken out of high school, and that would be really sad. It's part of our heritage."

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Vandals

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pedigree, is more than prepared. He's spent a large portion of his life watching family members — bunches of them — filter through college and the NFL.

Mauga's cousin is Junior Seau, a linebacker who became an NFL superstar. His father's cousin is Dan Saleaumua, a Pro Bowl defensive lineman who ended his career in Seattle in 1998.

Josh Mauga, another cousin, is fighting for playing time with the New York Jets.

But that's not all. In Mauga's immediate family, the ties to football are also extensive. Among his five brothers, four have played collegiately. His twin brother Hutch is still at Grossmont College, where Homer played the last two years.

One of his older brothers, Magnum, completed his career recently at Utah State. Yet another brother, Dallas, starred at Sacramento State and later came close to grabbing an NFL roster spot.

"The NFL — that's the goal for Samoan athletes," said Benson Mauga, Homer's father.

Benson, 50, retired from the Navy in 2001. He spent the last 12 years of a 22-year Navy career near San Diego, where his six boys thrived on the football field.

While in Honolulu in the '80s, Benson met Siavii's grandfather, who did security and police work. Each had similarly aged children, and so the Maugas and Siavii struck a bond.

Eventually, Shana Siavii, Robert's mother, became so close that she would stay at the Mauga's home during weekend sleepovers.

"We called them our kids," Benson said.

When Homer signed with Idaho, Shana phoned her son and asked about the new recruit's full name.

"She was in shock that his last name was Mauga," Robert said. "That's the last name of the family that raised her when she was a kid."

Immediately comfortable in his new environment, Homer has made a big enough splash with Vandal coaches to earn a starting gig at strong-side linebacker. While just 6-foot and 215 pounds, the junior's speed and aggressive approach have been a perfect fit for a defense that looked sluggish at times last year.

"You always need to play faster and get more speed out on the field, and I think we're close to being able to do that," coach Robb Akey said.

Like Mauga, Siavii — 6-1, 216 pounds — is small for his position. He's so slender that people often confuse him for someone other than a linebacker.

Once, at the Super China Buffet in Moscow, a woman saw him wearing an Idaho football T-

shirt and asked what position he played.

After Siavii told her, she replied, "You do not look like a linebacker."

"I just laughed and said, 'Thank you, ma'am. Thanks for the compliment,'" he recalled.

The junior was a decorated player at Leilehua High, earning defensive player of the year honors from the Honolulu Advertiser and garnering interest from Hawaii and other schools.

Since joining UI in 2008, he's started 17 games. And through fall camp and the spring, he's been one of the Vandals' most consistent playmakers.

Siavii remained in Moscow in the summer to train with teammates, and he said he feels faster after the grueling conditioning. It helps, too, that he has two full years of experience.

"I know what I have to do so I can mess around with my blitzes, I can mess around with my coverages," he said. "I can just play football. I don't ever think out there now."

Dickson, a 235-pound senior, has predominantly played on the outside during his productive career. But as part of offseason tinkering, coaches moved him to middle linebacker to better showcase his speed and coverage skills.

So far, it seems to be working.

"Being outside gives teams a way to run away from me," Dickson said. "Me being in the middle, I can make plays on both sides of the field."

Dickson will still switch between middle and strongside linebacker depending on the package, freeing up Tre'Shawn Robinson to also play in the middle and Conrad Scheidt — another Hawaiian — to get time as well.

Added depth has given Akey and defensive coordinator Mark Criner options, which is a "much better scenario than we've had forever, since we've been here," Akey said.

In analyzing last year's defensive woes, Dickson pointed to not just a lack of bodies but also a trend of players wearing down on long drives. So throughout the summer, he said, the focus was on gaining endurance with explosive workouts.

"We were out there this summer forever — two hours of pushing sleds and pulling sleds," Dickson said. "All the strenuous work on the legs for that long period of time, I feel, got me in shape."

With the versatile Dickson and four other starting seniors, the Idaho defense has a veteran presence it's lacked in Akey's four years. That's one reason why Criner is optimistic.

"If we can stay healthy," he said, "I think we can be pretty darn good."



AP photo

An unidentified migrant from Honduras waits for a north-bound train Saturday during his journey toward the U.S.-Mexico border on the outskirts of Mexico City, Mexico. On Tuesday, 72 migrants were found executed by a Mexican drug cartel within 100 miles of the U.S. border.

Few answers, much disquiet in Mexico over migrant killings

By Tim Johnson
McClatchy Newspapers

MEXICO CITY — Mexican President Felipe Calderon on Friday accused the gunmen who killed 72 illegal migrants in northern Mexico this week of “incalculable savagery” as his government attempted to depict the major drug gang implicated in the slaughter as weakened and desperate.

The discovery of the grisly massacre Tuesday night at a ranch near San Fernando, about 45 miles southwest of Brownsville, Texas, put the spotlight on Los Zetas, a crime syndicate based along Mexico's Gulf Coast that has international tentacles.

The massacre — and its murky motives — continued to shake Mexico on Friday.

A small car bomb blew up near the local offices of Mexican network Televisa farther south in Tamaulipas state, in Ciudad Victoria, causing damage but no injuries. Calderon himself also confirmed that two state criminal investigators who'd been assigned to probe the slayings had vanished.

In an interview on W Radio, Calderon searched for words to describe the contempt he felt for the gunmen who lined up the migrants — mostly from Central America but also from Ecuador and Brazil — and sprayed them with bullets.

“They are simply beasts,” Calderon said.

The sole apparent survivor, an Ecuadorean, feigned death and escaped the San Fernando ranch, stumbling with a bullet wound in his neck to alert Mexican marines who were stationed nearby.

A top aide to Calderon blamed Los Zetas and said military pressure on the group had left it weakened and in need of reinforcements. Alejandro Poire of

Mexico's National Security Council said the gunmen had captured the migrants and given them a choice: Work for Los Zetas as gun-slingers and peons, or face death.

When the 58 male and 14 female migrants resisted, they were killed.

“Rather than a kidnapping with an apparent financial aim, it was done fundamentally with the goal of detaining these people and forcing them to join the structures of organized crime,” Poire said, according to a transcript of his remarks, made in another radio interview, that Calderon's office issued Friday.

Human and civil rights groups voiced outrage that the Calderon government used the massacre to defend its military campaign against drug cartels, even as the human toll grows.

Poire “tries to diminish the magnitude of the massacre, affirming that it is a sign that organized crime has been hit by the government,” 39 groups from around Latin America said in a statement.

However, an Austin, Texas-based strategic intelligence research group, Stratfor, said in a report Friday that Los Zetas, sometimes called simply the “Z's,” indeed are hurting.

Los Zetas, which arose more than a decade ago as a paramilitary shock force for the Gulf cartel, broke away from the struggling Gulf drug lords in February and have been locked in a bloody war with other trafficking groups since then.

The group has branched into other areas of criminal activity, including piracy of consumer goods, extortion and taking control of human smuggling routes from traffickers known as coyotes, reaping from \$2,000 to \$10,000 per migrant.

Stepped-up efforts fail to stem flow of drug money

By William Booth
The Washington Post

LAREDO, Texas — Stashing cash in spare tires, engine transmissions and truckloads of baby diapers, couriers for Mexican drug cartels are moving tens of billions of dollars in profits south across the border each year, a river of dirty money that has overwhelmed U.S. and Mexican customs agents.

Officials said stemming the flow of this cash is essential if Mexico and the United States hope to disrupt powerful transnational criminal organizations that are using their wealth to corrupt, terrorize and kill.

Despite unprecedented efforts to thwart the traffickers, U.S. and Mexican authorities are seizing no more than 1 percent of the cash, according to an analysis by *The Washington Post* based on figures provided by the two governments.

The major Mexican drug organizations write that off as the cost of doing business — losing a percentage far smaller than the fees for an ordinary wire transfer or ATM withdrawal, Mexican and U.S. law enforcement officials said.

The Obama administration recently proposed a \$600 million surge in spending and personnel, including additional gamma-ray scanners and money-sniffing dogs, as part of an intensifying effort to capture the dollars going from U.S. drug consumers to Mexican mafias.

The drug traffickers and their Colombian suppliers smuggle \$20 billion to \$25 billion in U.S. bank notes across the southwest border annually as they seek to circumvent banking regulations and the suspicions aroused by large cash deposits, studies by federal officials, regulators and academics show.

“If we fail to curtail these money flows, the confrontation with organized crime will generate more violence and more corruption,” Carlos Pascual, the U.S. ambassador to Mexico, said at a border conference in El Paso this month.

Most of the money is smuggled in plastic-wrapped bricks of \$20 bills. Often the bank notes retain the sticky residue or fine powder generated by the marijuana, cocaine and methamphetamine sold to the most voracious consumers in the world.

“Cash is the ultimate challenge for us,” John Arvanitis, chief of financial operations for the Drug Enforcement Administration, said in an interview.



Washington Post photo

U.S. border and customs agents check hundreds of cars a day at the port of entry in Laredo, Texas. But many cars are waved through; 22,000 cars and 6,000 tractor-trailers cross into Mexico there every day.

Overwhelmed at the border

Hundreds of thousands of vehicles cross the U.S.-Mexico border each day, making it difficult for customs agents to detect billions of dollars in cash smuggled south by drug traffickers every year.



NOTE: Numbers reflect traffic data for crossing points that fall under four field offices: San Diego office (San Ysidro, Otay Mesa, Tecoma, Andrade, Calexico and Calexico East crossings); Tucson office (Douglas, Lukeville, Razo, Nogales, San Luis and Sasabe crossings); El Paso office (Columbus, Santa Teresa, El Paso, Roberts and Presidio crossings); Laredo, Texas office (Brownsville, Del Rio, Eagle Pass, Laredo, Hidalgo, Rio Grande, City Progress and Roma crossings).

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“It moves so rapidly, so fluidly. It crosses borders. It moves in bulk. It is stored in warehouses. It is moved into business. They have multiple, multiple options. They can hide a million dollars in a tractor-trailer, or they can carry it across the border in a handbag.” Since the two countries pledged to bolster joint operations in March 2009 and began searching more vehicles heading south, customs agents have seized record amounts of cash — not only in vehicles but also hidden in children's toys, loaves of bread and body cavities.

But authorities are barely making a dent in the cartel profits. U.S. agents captured \$85 million in illicit cash along the southwest border last year, according to the Department of Homeland Security.

Mexican inspectors have seized \$31 million in suspicious cash at all ports of entry into the country over the past three years, according to figures provided by the Mexican customs agency. In two years of undercover operations targeting Mexican cartels in the United States, the DEA seized \$216 million, although it is unclear how much of that would have been smuggled south.

T.J. Bonner, president of the union representing Border Patrol agents, said seizing cash in southbound traffic is extremely difficult.

“Throw a backpack of cash over the fence into Mexico, and what are we going to do?” he said. “Charge someone with littering in a foreign country?” Mexican officials say a greater percentage of drug

profits remain in the United States than U.S. officials acknowledge. Former attorney general Eduardo Medina Mora said that, based on the U.S. notes Mexican banks return to the United States, about \$10 billion “does not have an explanation and could be attributed to the flow of drug trafficking money.” Cash smuggled across the border is a leading source of foreign currency in Mexico, surpassed only by petroleum sales and about equal to the dollars earned from tourism and official remittances from Mexicans working in the United States.

U.S. bank notes are easily spent in Mexico, where 67 percent of commercial transactions are made with cash — often dollars — as opposed to 21 percent in the United States.

Migrants make risky sea crossing to enter U.S. illegally

By Elliot Spagat
Associated Press Writer

SAN DIEGO — The speedboat is about three miles offshore when a U.S. Customs and Border Protection agent cuts the engine to drift on the current in quiet darkness, hoping for the telltale signs of immigrant smuggling — a motor's whirr or sulfur exhaust fumes.

“It's like trying to find a needle in a haystack, and the haystack is the Pacific Ocean,” agent Tim Feige says, minutes before sunrise.

This is a new frontier for illegal immigrants entering the United States — a roughly 400-square-mile ocean expanse that stretches from a bullring on the shores of Tijuana, Mexico, to suburban Los Angeles.

In growing numbers, migrants are gambling their lives at sea as land crossings become even more arduous and likely to end in arrest. Sea interdictions and arrests have spiked year-over-year for three years, as



AP photo

U.S. Customs and Border Protection agents use a speedboat to patrol the California-Mexico border off the coast of San Diego on July 30.

enforcement efforts ramp up to meet the challenge.

While only a small fraction of border arrests are at sea, authorities say, heightened enforcement on land, and a bigger fence, is making the offshore route more attractive.

The number of Border Patrol agents doubled to more than 20,000 since 2003, and President Barack Obama is dispatching the National Guard after clamor for a crackdown in the desert led to Arizona's tough new immigration law.

“I think they found that going west through the ocean is probably their best bet,” said Michael Carney, deputy special agent in charge of investigations for U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement in San Diego.

U.S. agents arrested 753 suspected illegal immigrants on Southern California shores and seas between October and Aug. 24, up from 400 the previous 12 months and 230 the year before. They spotted 85 watercraft since October, up from 49 during the previous

12 months and 33 the year before.

The smugglers use old, single-engine wooden vessels known in Mexico as “pangas.” They're several feet wide and about 25 feet long. If they are found on U.S. waters, they're almost invariably smuggling people or drugs.

U.S. authorities have stepped up sea patrols near the border, forcing pangas loaded with illegal immigrants and sometimes with marijuana farther offshore with landings farther north.

An abandoned vessel was found in November in Laguna Beach, 85 miles north of Mexico. A boat with 24 people was found 43 miles off the San Diego coast in May.

Six boats have landed at Camp Pendleton Marine Corps base, more than 50 miles north of the border, since November, including two that were abandoned. The base, only a short hike to Interstate 5, has stepped up security.

Authorities believe smugglers put their passen-

gers ashore and return to Mexico, when possible, to avoid losing their boats and leaving evidence behind. But they also quickly abandon the boats and run for it if they sense they're about to be caught.

Smuggling on California waters dates back to the alcohol trade during Prohibition, but authorities noticed a change in late 2007 when pangas began traveling without lights at night with up to 25 people packed on open decks.

At up to \$5,000 a person — roughly twice the fee to cross illegally over land — one overnight trip can generate \$100,000.

Some arrests at sea may be a result of heightened enforcement. This year, the Orange County Sheriff's Department joined in boat patrols on a 32-mile coastal stretch south of Los Angeles.

Only two immigrants are known to have been killed crossing in U.S. waters, their boat overturning in the San Diego surf in January. Two months earlier, eight were

rescued atop an overturned boat that was adrift for a day.

Smugglers have been arrested on both sides of the border, with those in the U.S. being sentenced to a year or two in prison.

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BURLEY/RUPERT FORECAST

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Tonight: Turning partly cloudy. Low 43.

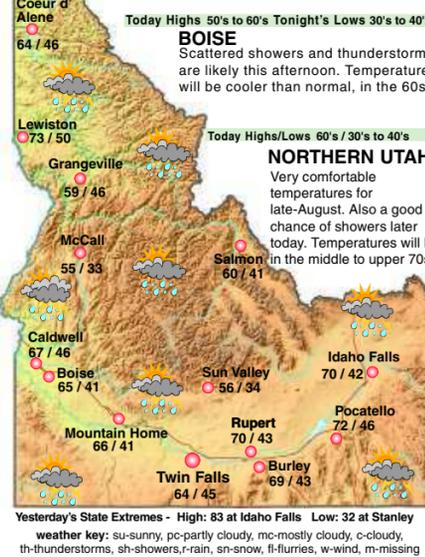
Tomorrow: Partial sunshine, sm. chance of t-storms. High 67.

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Table with 2 columns: Temperature and Precipitation. Rows include Yesterday's High/Low, Normal High/Low, Record High/Low, and Avg. Month to Date.

IDAHO'S FORECAST

SUN VALLEY, SURROUNDING MTS. Chilly temperatures are expected this afternoon, in the upper 50s. Showers and mainly cloudy skies are likely as well.



TWIN FALLS FIVE-DAY FORECAST

Five-day forecast table for Twin Falls with columns for Today, Tonight, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday, including weather icons and temperature ranges.

Yesterday's Weather

Table of yesterday's weather for various Idaho locations including Boise, Challis, Coeur d'Alene, Idaho Falls, Jerome, Lewiston, Lowell, Malad City, Malta, Pocatello, Rexburg, Salmon, Stanley, and Sun Valley.

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Table with 3 columns: Temperature, Precipitation, and Humidity. Rows include Yesterday's High/Low, Normal High/Low, Record High/Low, and Avg. Month to Date.

Table with 2 columns: Barometric Pressure and Sunrise and Sunset. Rows include Today, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday.

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Table for Moonrise and Moonset times for Today, Monday, and Tuesday.

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REGIONAL FORECAST

Regional forecast table for cities including Boise, Bonners Ferry, Burley, Challis, Coeur d'Alene, Elko, Eugene, Gooding, Grace, Hagerman, Halley, Idaho Falls, Kalspell, Jerome, Lewiston, Malad City, Malta, McCall, Missoula, Pocatello, Portland, Rupert, Rexburg, Richland, Rogerson, Salmon, Salt Lake City, Spokane, Stanley, Sun Valley, and Yellowstone.

NATIONAL FORECAST

National forecast table for cities including Atlanta, Baltimore, Birmingham, Boston, Charlotte, Chicago, Cleveland, Denver, Des Moines, Detroit, El Paso, Fairbanks, Fargo, Honolulu, Houston, Indianapolis, Jacksonville, Kansas City, Las Vegas, Little Rock, Los Angeles, Memphis, Miami, Milwaukee, Nashville, New Orleans, New York, Oklahoma City, and Omaha.

WORLD FORECAST

World forecast table for cities including Acapulco, Athens, Auckland, Bangkok, Beijing, Berlin, Buenos Aires, Cairo, Chennai, Geneva, Hong Kong, Jerusalem, Johannesburg, Kuala Lumpur, London, Mexico City, Moscow, Nairobi, Oslo, Paris, Prague, Rio de Janeiro, Rome, Santiago, Seoul, Sydney, Tel Aviv, Tokyo, Vienna, Warsaw, Winnipeg, and Zurich.

TODAY'S NATIONAL MAP



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Advertisement for South Central Idaho Interagency Dispatch, featuring a fire danger sign and contact information.

Anti-Muslim protesters clash with police in UK

LONDON (AP) — A right-wing group that opposes what it calls the spread of Islam in Britain clashed with riot police in northern England on Saturday, throwing bottles, rocks and a smoke bomb at authorities.

nearby. One English Defense League protester was taken away with a leg injury and five people were arrested, police said. Bradford saw some of the U.K.'s worst riots in 2001, when racial tension between whites and South Asian immigrants resulted in looting, arson, and attacks on immigrant-owned businesses.

supporters would descend on the city. But riot police, some riding horses, outnumbered the activists, penning them in with barricades to keep them away from the counter-demonstration by United Against Fascism.

Advertisement for Magic Valley Obituary Guestbook, featuring a rose and the website magicvalley.com.

Advertisement for Sports News Alerts, featuring a screenshot of the Magic Valley website and a call to action to subscribe to email alerts.

Mexicana airlines ceases flights after bankruptcy

MEXICO CITY (AP) — Mexicana airlines shut down all flights on Saturday, marking at least a temporary disappearance from the skies of one of the world's oldest air carriers.

recording played on the company's Mexico City contact number. The company vowed to seek ways to resume operations at an indefinite time in the future. Calls to the company's press office went unanswered, and its ticket counters at the Mexico City terminal — its main hub — were empty, except for occasional knots of travelers seeking advice about how to replace flights on Mexicana, Mexicana Click and Mexicana Link.

Erika Lejsek, who heads the complaints department for Mexico's consumer-protection agency, said about 60 or 70 people had approached the agency's booths at the airport to ask for help.

Advertisement for Ankle and Foot Clinic of Idaho, featuring a testimonial about a foot ailment and contact information for Dr. Andrew McCall.

Large advertisement for Gold's Gym Instant-Win Game, featuring a photo of a cheerleader and a 50% off enrollment fee offer.

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206 Drivers

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207 Education

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207 Education

EDUCATION
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208 Farm

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502 Homes For Sale

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GENERAL

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210 Management

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JEROME RECREATION DISTRICT
NOTICE OF FILING DEADLINE

Notice is hereby given: That declarations of candidacy for the office of **Board Member, of sub-districts 1, 2, and 5** must be filed with the Jerome Recreation District whose address is 2032 South Lincoln Avenue in Jerome, Idaho no later than **5:00 PM on the 1st day of September, 2010.** Such declarations are available at the district office at 2032 South Lincoln or at the office of the County Clerk. Individuals who run as write-in candidates must file a declaration of intent no later than **5:00 PM on the 25th day prior to the election.** Inquiries should be directed to District offices at 324-3389 or to the election clerk, David Davis, at 324-3800. /s/David Davis
Election Clerk of Jerome Recreation District

PUBLISH: August 22 and 29, 2010

NOTICE OF ELECTION

Notice is hereby given that on Tuesday, November 2, 2010, an election will be held in the A&B Irrigation District for the purpose of electing a director from the Director Division No. 1 presently held by Harold Mohlman and a director from the Director Division No. 3 presently held by Brett Cameron. Said election will be held from 1:00 P.M. until 7:00 P.M. on said date at the following places:
Director Division No. 2 - East Watermaster Office - 700 N Meridian, Rupert ID
Director Division No. 5 - West Watermaster Office - 1100 W 100 S, Paul, ID
All qualified electors of said District are entitled to vote at said election. Qualified electors are those qualified to vote under the general statutes of the State of Idaho; landowners entitled to receive water within the boundaries of the A&B Irrigation District, and a resident of either Minidoka or Jerome County. Nominating petitions are available in the A&B Irrigation main office in Rupert from the Secretary. Petitions must be filed with the Secretary of the District Forty (40) days prior to the election date (by Thursday, September 23, 2010 - 5:00 P.M.). Anyone having questions may contact the Secretary at 436-3152.

A&B IRRIGATION DISTRICT
/s/ Diana Warburton,
Secretary-Treasurer
Diana Warburton
Secretary-Treasurer
A&B Irrigation District

PUBLISH: August 29 and September 5, 2010

PUBLIC NOTICE
JEROME RECREATION DISTRICT
PROPOSED 2010 FISCAL YEAR BUDGET

Pursuant to Idaho Code 50-1002, a public hearing to consider the proposed Jerome Recreation District budget for the fiscal year that begins October 1, 2010 and ends September 30, 2011 will be held on September 7, 2010, at 7:30 AM in the Jerome Recreation Center, located at 2032 South Lincoln, Jerome, Idaho 83338. Written or oral comments about the proposed budget are welcome. This public hearing is required for formal adoption of the FY 2011 Budget.

REVENUE		
Total General Fund Levy		\$492,219.00
Sales Tax Apportionment		20,000.00
Agricultural Exemption Replacement		15,744.00
Interest Income		2,000.00
Facility Rental		3,000.00
Care for Kids		500.00
Recreation Programs		60,000.00
Swimming Pool		30,000.00
Sales Tax: Programs		5,550.00
Misc. Revenue		1,500.00
Concession/Vending Machine Revenue		4,200.00
Fitness Center		115,000.00
Fundraising		8,400.00
Total Revenue		\$758,113.00
EXPENDITURES		
Administration	Personnel	\$116,270.00
	Operating	59,532.00
Parks/Maintenance	Personnel	80,648.00
	Operating	131,800.00
Recreation	Personnel	85,158.00
	Operating	30,100.00
Fitness	Personnel	86,720.00
	Operating	39,419.00
Swimming Pool	Personnel	50,269.00
	Operating	38,500.00
Capital		39,897.00
Total Expenditures		\$758,113.00

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

Loan No. 0999363724 T.S. No. 201000401 -33661 On 12/07/2010 at 11:00 a.m. (recognized local time), at the following location in the County of Twin Falls, State of Idaho: In the Lobby of Land Title & Escrow 1411 Fillmore Street, Suite 600 Twin Falls ID 83301, Pioneer Lenders Trustee Services, LLC, as Trustee will sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, for cash, in lawful money of the United States, all payable at the time of sale, the following real property, situated in the County of Twin Falls, State of Idaho, and described as follows: Lot 39 of Harrison View Estates, Twin Falls County, Idaho, recorded on Book 16 of Plats, Page 22. The Trustee has no knowledge of a more particular description of the above referenced real property, but for purposes of compliance with Section 60-113 Idaho Code, the Trustee has been informed that the address of 3634 E. 3092 N., Kimberly, Idaho 83341 is sometimes associated with said real property. Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty regarding title, possession or encumbrances to satisfy the obligation secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the Deed of Trust executed by **Kevin Bothwell and Shantel Bothwell**, husband and wife, as grantors, to Wells Fargo Financial National Bank, as Trustee, for the benefit and security of Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., as Beneficiary, dated 12/07/2007 and recorded on 12/10/2007, as Instrument No. 2007-029482, of Official Records of Twin Falls County, Idaho. Please Note: The above Grantors are named to comply with section 45-1506(4)(A), Idaho Code. No representation is made that they are, or are not, presently responsible for this obligation set forth herein. The Default for which this sale is to be made is the failure to pay when due, under Deed of Trust and Note dated 12/07/2007. The monthly installments of principal, interest, and impounds (if applicable) of \$5612.76, due per month for the months of 12/15/2009 through 7/20/2010, and all subsequent installments until the date of sale or reinstatement. The principal balance owing as of this date on the obligation secured by said Deed of Trust is \$55,612.76, plus accrued interest at the rate of 9.115% per annum from 11/15/2009. All delinquent amounts are now due, together with accruing late charges, and interest, unpaid and accruing taxes, assessments, trustee's fees, attorney's fees, and any amounts advanced to protect the security associated with this foreclosure and that the beneficiary elects to sell or cause the trust property to be sold to satisfy said obligation. If the Trustee is unable to convey title for any reason, the successful bidder's sole and exclusive remedy shall be the return of monies paid to the Trustee, and the successful bidder shall have no further recourse. T.D. Service Company 1820 E. First Street, Suite 210, Santa Ana, CA 92705-4063 Sale Information Line: 714-259-7850 Reinstatement and Pay-Off Requests: (714) 480-5472 THIS IS AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT A DEBT AND INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. Date: 07/23/10 Pioneer Lenders Trustee Services, LLC By: Kara Lansberry, Assistant Trustee Officer ASAP# 3675582

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Please address all legal advertising to:
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

101
Lost and Found

FOUND female dog, brown w/ white polka dot feet and nose. Found 8/22 at 600 W in Paul. 679-4550 ask for Megan. After 5: 431-1913

FOUND Sandy colored chihuahua. Found 8/18 in Jerome. House trained, leash trained, affectionate to women. No collar. 734-8258

FOUND small cream colored female dog with a pink collar found in Heyburn by Party Hardy if not claimed will be adopted ASAP. 208-678-1177

FREE gray and black cat. Very loving, great indoor cat. Good with kids and dogs! 208-734-1259

LOST Bosch drill on the corner of Bora and Madison Tuesday, 8/24. Please call 308-2202

LOST OR STOLEN dogs. Pure St. Bernard named "Annabelle" and a Black & gold german shepherd named Mamaduke. Last seen Tuesday night in TF, 8/25. If seen, please call Daniel at 212-4361!

104
Personals

FUN med. build romantic gentleman seeks single or divorced lady from Twin Falls. Age 50-65, slim-med build, non smoker, light drinker, full of life, enjoys travel, golf, rodeos, fairs, all sport & more. Write with phone# to Gentleman, Box 5298, Twin Falls, Idaho 83303.

NICE LOOKING active man, good sense of humor, likes to dance, travel, loves life and adventure. Seeking petite attractive lady 55+ with same interests. Please reply with photo to N.G. 255 Blue Lakes Blvd N. pm# 567 Twin Falls, ID 83301. Will send my photo and would like to meet for dinner and drinks.

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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.

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Pregnancy Alternatives

Pregnant? Worried?
Free Pregnancy Tests
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108
Professional Services

Bankruptcy & Debt Counseling
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LIL' SPROUTS DAYCARE in Rupert has openings! ICOP Welcome. Call Jacquie at 208-436-3261.

Little Lambs Child Development Center where learning and fun go hand in hand. Apply NOW - 10 Openings for Infant through Preschool. KCCP and CPR certified. Busing available for 3 yrs and up. 208-326-2767 Donna.

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Miscellaneous Services

SEARCHING for gentleman w/ the nickname "Connie". Lived in the Twin Falls area in 1961. Possibly on 6th Ave E. Please contact me with any info at
ThreeBoys87@hotmail.com
or call 208-890-4988

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Investments

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MASSAGE TRAINING: Swedish Class starts Sept 10th - 4 openings remaining. Fri. 7-10pm & Sat. 10am-5:30pm. Therapist Classes: A and P II & Business Mastery. Reiki I 8/28 & 8/29 open to public. Twin Falls Institute of Holistic Studies. 326-4870.

PUBLIC SERVICE MESSAGE
Big profits usually mean big risks. Before you do business with a company, check it out with the Better Business Bureau. For free information about avoiding investment scams, write to the Federal Trade Commission, Washington, D.C. 20580 or call the National Fraud Information Center 1-800-876-7060

PEOPLE FOR PETS

420 Victory Ave. - PO Box 1163
Twin Falls, Idaho **736-2299**

LOST & FOUND

1. Border Collie cross - black/white - female puppy - found at 420 Victory Ave.
2. Corgi - tri colored - adult male - found at 1086 South Park Ave. W.
3. Great Pyrenees - white - male puppy - found at 420 Victory Ave.
4. Lab - black - adult male - found at 3337 E 3500 N in Kimberly, ID
5. Lab - black - adult female - found at 202 Falls Ave.
6. German Shepherd - black/brown - adult male - found at 1111 Blue Lakes Blvd. N
7. Australian Shepherd/Heeler cross - white/black & brown spots - adult male - found at 4586 River Rd. in Buhl, ID
8. Lab - Ivory - adult female - found at 2003 Osterloh
9. Pit Bull/Bearded Collie cross - black/white - male puppy - found at 185 Rose St. S
10. Terrier cross - creme/tan - adult male - found on 6th Ave. N
11. German Shepherd/Schnauzer cross - tan/grey - male puppy - found at 5th Ave. N & Shoshone St.
12. 2 Australian Shepherd/Border Collie crosses - red merle & black/white - female & male puppies - found at 3027 N 4500 E in Murtaugh, ID

ADOPTIONS

1. Border Collie cross - black/white fluffy - 3 month old - spayed female
2. Golden Retriever cross - gold - 8 year old - spayed female
3. Lab/Retriever cross - black - 6 year old - spayed female
4. German Shorthair - white/orange - 8 year old neutered male
5. Border Collie/Pit Bull cross - tan/white - 4 month old neutered male
6. Griffon/Setter cross - tri colored - 5 month old neutered male
7. Lab cross - black/brown - 8 month old - neutered male
8. Lab black - 6 year old - spayed female
9. Walker Hound - black/red - 2 year old - spayed female
10. German Shepherd - black/brown - 5 year old - neutered male
11. Lab/Border Collie cross - black/brown - 1 year old - spayed female
12. 2 Schnauzer/Boxer crosses - grey/tan - 7 year olds - neutered male & spayed female
13. Lab chocolate - 3 year old - neutered male
14. Australian Shepherd/Pit Bull cross - brindle - 3 year old spayed female
15. Lab chocolate - 5 year old - neutered male
16. Lab ivory - 2 year old - spayed female

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Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Concepts Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

Concepts Sudoku

By Dave Green

	1	9	7					6
9				6	2			
						4		
7				9		1		
5			1					9
	4		7					8
	6							
		5	1					7
2				4	8			3

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Answer to previous puzzle

2	6	1	8	3	7	9	5	4
3	7	5	4	2	9	6	1	8
8	9	4	5	6	1	7	3	2
4	5	2	7	9	6	3	8	1
1	3	9	2	5	8	4	7	6
6	8	7	3	1	4	5	2	9
5	4	3	9	8	2	1	6	7
9	1	8	6	7	5	2	4	3
7	2	6	1	4	3	8	9	5

Difficulty Level ★★★★★

704 Pets and Pet Supplies

AUSTRALIAN SHEPHERD Puppies ASCA Registered, 7 weeks old, 1st shots, dewormed & ready to go!! Contact Ron at 208-431-3311, www.rockyridgecattleandaussies.com

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LAB Puppies, purebred, 3 Black, 3 Yellow, 9 weeks old. \$150. Call 208-308-3305

LAB Pups AKC Reg, yellow/ivory, dewormed, shots, de-wormed, Females \$300 Males \$250. Call 280-3198 or 543-8819

LABS Beautiful black puppies, Father registered, 4 1/2 weeks old, \$25 each. Call 208-886-2777.

LABS black, 7 weeks old and one male chocolate Lab, \$125 each. Call 208-260-0570.

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Today's Highlight:
On Aug. 29, 2005, Hurricane Katrina hit the Gulf Coast near Buras, La.; the resulting floods devastated the city of New Orleans. More than 1,800 people in the region died.

TODAY IN HISTORY

On this date:
In 1533, the last Incan King of Peru, Atahualpa (ah-tuh-WAHL'-puh), was executed on orders of Spanish conqueror Francisco Pizarro.

In 1877, the second president of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints, Brigham Young, died in Salt Lake City, Utah, at age 76.

In 1910, Korean Emperor Sunjong abdicated as the Japan-Korea Annexation Treaty went into effect.

In 1935, the film "Top Hat," starring Fred Astaire and Ginger Rogers, opened in New York.

In 1943, responding to a clampdown by Nazi occupiers, Denmark managed to scuttle most of its naval ships.

In 1944, 15,000 American troops marched down the Champs Elysees (shahms ay-lee-ZAY) in Paris as the French capital continued to celebrate its liberation from the Nazis.

In 1957, the Senate gave final congressional approval to a Civil Rights Act after South Carolina Sen. Strom Thurmond (then a Democrat) ended a filibuster that had lasted 24 hours.

In 1958, pop superstar Michael Jackson was born in Gary, Ind.

In 1966, the Beatles concluded their fourth American tour with their last public concert, at Candlestick Park in San Francisco.

In 1975, Irish statesman Eamon de Valera died near Dublin at age 92.

Ten years ago: President Bill Clinton ended a four-day trip to Africa with a brief visit to Cairo, where he sought the help of President Hosni Mubarak in pursuing a peace deal between Israel and the Palestinians. Pope John Paul II laid down moral guidelines for medical research in the 21st century, endorsing organ donation and adult stem cell study, but condemning human cloning and embryo experiments.

Five years ago: Economist Jude Wanniski, who advocated tax cuts as economic stimulus and coined the term "supply-side economics," died in Morristown, N.J., at age 69.

One year ago: Funeral services were held in Boston for Sen. Edward M. Kennedy, who was eulogized by President Barack Obama; hours later, Kennedy's remains were buried at Arlington National Cemetery outside Washington. Eight people were found beaten to death at a mobile home in southeastern Georgia; family member Guy Heinze Jr., who reported finding the bodies, was charged with murder.

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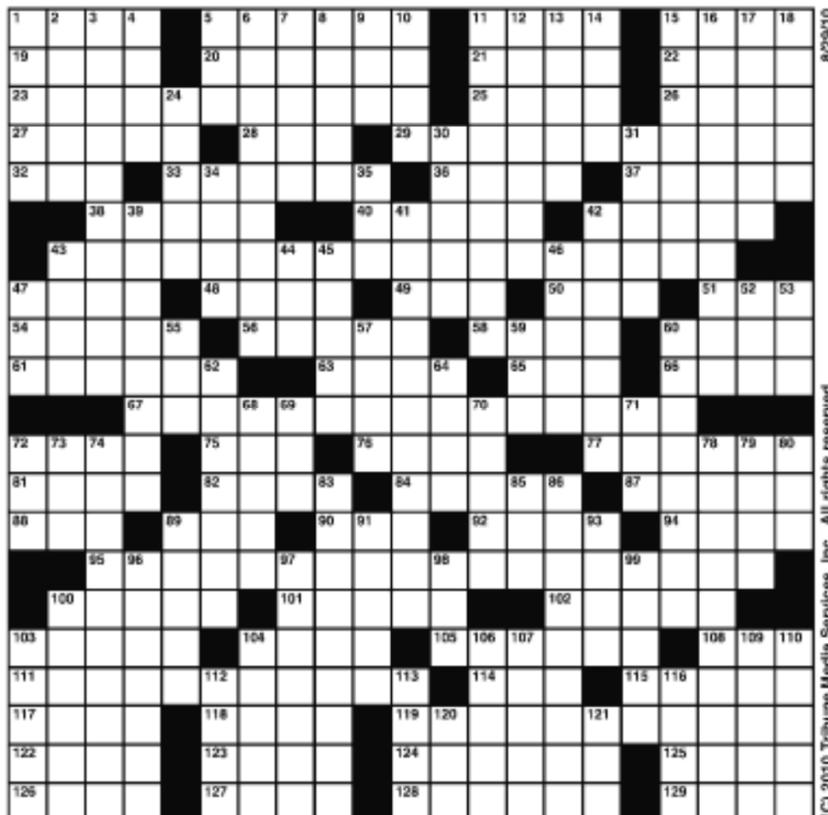
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ACROSS

- 1 Kids' game for car trips
- 5 River through British Columbia
- 11 Michael of "Juno"
- 15 Hebrew prophet
- 19 Big Apple neighborhood near Greenwich Village
- 20 Gun, to a hood
- 21 Truck
- 22 Actress Gershon
- 23 Automatic whipper?
- 25 Gas brand in Canada
- 26 Shangri-la
- 27 Iconic WWII riveter
- 28 "Rock and Roll, Hoochie ___": 1974 hit
- 29 Early-week occasion for wearing sensible footwear?
- 32 Slithery Egyptian
- 33 Tack on
- 36 Colorado natives
- 37 ___ Cup: chocolate candy
- 38 Language of India
- 40 Yard neatener
- 42 Sources of wisdom
- 43 Country with the tastiest cuisine?
- 47 Where the source of the Amazon is
- 48 Showy lily
- 49 Words before a kiss
- 50 Opposite of bien
- 51 Level just below the majors
- 54 Political surprise
- 56 Subway barrier
- 58 It's a gas
- 60 Home bodies?
- 61 Euro predecessor
- 63 No-goodniks
- 65 Business mag
- 66 Go after
- 67 Some food fighters?
- 72 Sixth Greek letter
- 75 Louis XIV, par exemple
- 76 Golf clinic subject
- 77 Shrubs with small, reddish fruit
- 81 Dietary need
- 82 A8 automaker
- 84 Amherst sch.
- 87 Tiny South Pacific nation
- 88 Jenna's "The Office" role
- 89 TiVo precursor
- 90 Polynesian paste

DOWN

- 1 Red leader?
- 2 Individual efforts
- 3 Matchmaker's supply
- 4 Teammate of Mickey and Whitey
- 5 Monastic title
- 6 Heaps at a quarry
- 7 "... who lived in ___"
- 8 Descendant
- 9 Long, long time
- 10 Yachting hazard
- 11 Was unfaithful to
- 12 Ohio's time zone
- 13 Autumn colors
- 14 Jesus of '60s-'70s baseball
- 15 In olden days
- 16 Hussein in the White House?
- 17 "Paper Moon" co-stars
- 18 2009 Panasonic acquisition
- 24 Had in mind
- 30 Competed on a sled
- 31 Send with a click
- 34 Some 31-Down attachments

- 35 ___ volente: God willing
- 39 Confident words
- 41 Trail mix tidbits
- 42 Golf clinic subjects
- 43 Apportion
- 44 Maxwell Smart's occ.
- 45 Mel Blanc's meal ticket
- 46 Together with
- 47 Small seal
- 52 Goon
- 53 Say "What?"
- 55 Ultimate
- 57 "Metropolis" director Fritz
- 59 Augsburg article
- 60 1898 sinker
- 62 Stars in the sky?
- 64 Like some chances
- 68 Squash venue
- 69 Poke fun at
- 70 "It's dandy for your teeth" toothpaste
- 71 Be on the ticket
- 72 USPS acronym
- 73 Time in history
- 74 Shenanigans
- 78 Self-directed
- 79 Rowers

- 80 Adder's target
- 83 Portable music players
- 85 Course with a fair: Abbr.
- 86 Register printout
- 89 Left-hand page
- 91 Graveyard shift hr.
- 93 Lille lady friend
- 96 Capital of Buenos Aires Province
- 97 Ringing up, old-style
- 98 Consumer protection agcy.
- 99 Pub sign abbr.
- 100 Absorb deeply
- 103 Wag a finger at
- 104 Panther, Jaguar, or Lion, briefly
- 106 Debt securities
- 107 Monteverdi title character
- 109 Longtime "Idol" name
- 110 Dogcatcher's pickup
- 112 Duck call?
- 113 Blues legend James
- 116 In that case
- 120 Coloration
- 121 Ques. response

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DEAR ABBY: I am a 40-year-old woman who feels like a single mother. My husband is lazy, has a negative attitude and hasn't held a job in four years. I provide everything in our marriage — the money, the education for our 8-year-old son, plus I do all the housework, etc.

My husband graduated from a famous university with a bachelor's degree. I have a master's degree and am now studying for my doctorate.

When my husband had a job he would give his money to his parents or spend it on lottery tickets. His parents have more money than mine do.

To me, family is like a bank account into which you must deposit your love, your money and your responsibility. Unfortunately, my husband is always spending — never saving.

There is no love between us. I think about divorce but worry that my husband will have no house to live in. Maybe I am being too kind. What words of advice do you have for me?

— Y.L.
IN BEIJING, CHINA



DEAR ABBY
Jeanne Phillips

DEAR Y.L.: It's time to stop worrying about your husband and start thinking about the example he is setting for your son. Do you want him to grow up thinking your household is normal?

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DEAR ABBY: My fiancée, "Mandy," and I decided to buy a home. (We moved in together last August.) Mandy didn't qualify to be on the loan, so it is in my name. No matter what I do, she says she feels like the house won't be "ours" until I put her name on the deed. Abby, a week hasn't gone by that we haven't argued about this to the point of not speaking to each other.

I want to marry Mandy, but I would like us to reach a point that we're able to get along first. She says we won't be able to do that if I don't put her name on the deed. Am I wrong to want to be more comfortable in the relationship before doing that? If something happened and we didn't get married she'd have as much right to the house as I do — without having paid any money toward it.

— "IN DEED"
IN ATLANTA

DEAR "IN DEED": Listen to your gut, because it's guiding you in the right direction. A house is one of the biggest investments you will ever make. Putting Mandy's name on the deed will not magically fix the shaky foundation of this relationship. You may love her, but please continue to think rationally. It appears she is trying to emotionally blackmail you. Before entering into ANY contract with Mandy (or anyone else, for that matter), talk to your lawyer.

DEAR ABBY: I recently reconnected with a friend on Facebook whom I hadn't seen in 40 years. The photo she posted is from high school. Usually there's a reason for that, but after meeting her again, she's still as pretty as I remembered — but she looks like she's frozen in the 1960s. She desperately needs a "makeover." How can I politely help my friend update her look with a new hairdo and more flattering makeup? (One of my daughters is a stylist and the other is an aesthetician.)

— STILL SMITTEN
IN KANSAS

DEAR STILL SMITTEN: Introduce her to your daughters, let nature take its course and the inevitable will happen.

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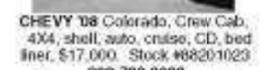
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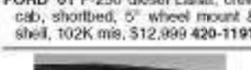
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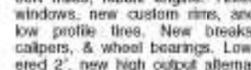


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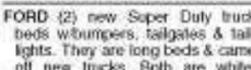
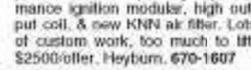
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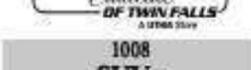
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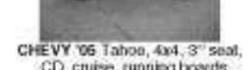
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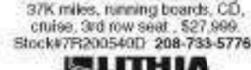
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Dear Mr. Wolff: What should the responses of three hearts and three spades to one no-trump be used for? Should they show both majors, invitational and strong respectively?

Multiplex, Mason City, Iowa

ANSWER: That is playable, but I believe transferring to spades, then bidding three hearts, takes care of the good hand. And using Stayman, then bidding two spades, can effectively describe an unbalanced invitational hand with five spades. Thus I marginally prefer using the direct jumps as game-forcing, showing both minors with 5-4 pattern. Responder bids his shortage to suggest three cards in the other major.

Dear Mr. Wolff: Holding ♠ 9, ♥ A-J-10-3-2, ♦ K-Q-7-4, ♣ K-J-4, I opened one heart and rebid two diamonds over a one-spade response. My partner now jumped to three spades. Should this be forcing or invitational, and if the latter what would you do now?

Bounceback, Harrisburg, Pa.

ANSWER: This sequence should be invitational, not forcing — your partner could use fourth-suit forcing to set up the game-force. Because you have a bit extra in high cards, it looks logical to bid three no-trump now. Partner can always overrule you with a hand that looks more appropriate to the suit game.

Dear Mr. Wolff: In a social duplicate match, South opened a strong no-trump, and West overcalled two clubs. If North was planning to bid Stayman before the intervention, what is the best call to convey that? Two diamonds was suggested as a possibility (if agreed as a convention), although that would take away the normal two-diamond rebid from South, denying a four-card major.

Stymied, Midland, Mich.

ANSWER: After the intervention of two clubs (unless the call shows both majors), best is to ignore it and use double for Stayman, with transfers remaining in place. This

is ONLY for the two-club call — and it is because you still have exactly the same scheme of responses available as you did before. If they intervene with higher calls, I suggest takeout doubles and an artificial two-no-trump call. Two-level calls are natural and weak; three-level calls, strong.

Dear Mr. Wolff: An unopposed auction ran one heart - one spade - three spades - four diamonds - four hearts - four spades - all pass. In an expert game what inferences would the opening leader be able to draw about a club control in declarer's or dummy's hand?

Infer a Penny, Durango, Colo.

ANSWER: In a top-class game the four-diamond call would tend to deny a club control, particularly if the partnership style was to cue-bid first- and second-round controls indiscriminately. The return cue-bid of four hearts would then guarantee a heart control and some control in clubs, or else that hand would have signed off, knowing there was no club control held.

Dear Mr. Wolff: Recently you discussed ♠ A-K-J-6-5-4, ♥ 2, ♦ A-10-6-3-2, ♣ 7. To me this looks like another one of those two-suiters best opened two clubs (since it is a five-loser hand) to avoid being passed out in one spade when game is cold, with North holding as little as the spade queen or diamond king and nothing else. What do you think?

Eager Beaver, Orlando, Fla.

ANSWER: The simple answer is that since one spade will almost never be passed out, I prefer one spade. If your diamonds included even the queen instead of the 10, the strong opening would be acceptable. With a two-suiter in this range, the one-level opening followed by a jump shift gets you to game and does not risk going overboard when partner assumes you have much more.

For details of Bobby Wolff's autobiography, "The Lone Wolf," contact kay19072@aol.com. If you would like to contact Bobby Wolff, e-mail him at bobbywolff@mindspring.com.

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THE EARLIEST SCHOOL

Parents balance education, socialization and day care for toddlers

By Ariel Hansen ♦ Times-News writer

Stacking colored blocks and pouring water from a cup to a bowl isn't really education, is it?

For toddlers, it can be, especially if the child is supervised by an adult who knows how to ask the right questions and guide the youngster to experiment and come to conclusions.

Parents know that children begin learning from the moment they're born, but often they don't think of school — with its tests, papers, desks and blackboards — as the right place for children who can't spell their own names yet. However, many preschools are increasingly oriented to the kind of learning that young children do naturally, guiding their play to build the mental and social skills that become important in later life.

"Children learn science, to write, to read, all through play. (They) don't learn through worksheets, they learn from experience," said Ellen Neff, a member of the faculty at the College of Southern Idaho's Early Childhood Education Department. "Children need socialization, they need a safe place to learn social issues, to learn their own emotions and other people's emotions."

When children make art, for example, they're learning the basics of science — what happens when you mix red and green? What happens when you pull an empty cup to the bottom of a bowl of water?

When they draw, they learn the fine motor skills that will enable

them to write later. When they role-play as a policewoman or fireman, they are learning to regulate their own behavior and practicing empathy.

"It's a shame that play has such a negative connotation, almost like 'wasting time,' because it's one of the pivotal ways kids learn," said Janet Salvoni, lead teacher at The Community School's Early

Childhood Center, which opens this fall in Sun Valley. Without developing these skills through play, children are at a disadvantage when they reach more traditional classrooms. "Preschools give kids an opportunity to feel confident going into kindergarten or elementary school."

Teachers often become aware of developmental delays, while par-

ents are more apt to chalk up potential problems to a child's personality or her place in the birth order.

"Parents of children at this age all think they're amazing and intelligent and talented," Salvoni said. And while such confidence is laudable, if there is a developmental delay in any area — be it listening, cooperation, fine motor skills or something physical like hearing or speech — the earlier it is addressed, the better.

For Heidi Campbell of Twin Falls, the guided learning and socialization was the main reason she enrolled her 3-year-old, Quinn, in CSI's preschool program.

"I know he'll learn ABCs and colors and stuff if he were just in day care, but he's kind of a shy kid, and I wanted him to have an environment where they would try to help him come out of his shell a little and interact with the kids and not just the adults," Campbell said.

"They follow a program that is designed to help the kids learn interpersonal skills, and ... 30, 40 years down the line, these kids have lower rates of divorce and



DREW NASH/Times-News

Quinn Campbell, 3, spends his free time going back and forth from the Little Library and playing with toys at the College of Southern Idaho Child Care Center on Aug. 20 in Twin Falls.



Janet Salvoni poses in the under-construction classroom she is readying for The Community School's Early Childhood Center, which opens this fall in Sun Valley. The center's teaching is based on the Italian Reggio Emilia method and is aimed at kids ages 2-5.

ARIEL HANSEN/Times-News

See **SCHOOL**, Family Life 3

MORE INFORMATION

College of Southern Idaho Early Childhood Education Department

- education.csi.edu/TE/earlyChildhood.asp
- Ellen Neff, 732-6870 or eneff@csi.edu
- Evin Fox, 732-6872 or efox@csi.edu

The college operates a Laboratory School for kids 18 months to 3 years, and a preschool for kids 3-5 years, both in Twin Falls, and the curriculum meets standards for the Early Childhood Special Education Blended Certificate.

The Community School's Early Childhood Center

- www.communityschool.org/programs/early_childhood_center/index.aspx
- Janet Salvoni, 622-3955 or jsalvoni@communityschool.org

Launching this year in Sun Valley, the center is for children ages 2-5 and offers sessions two, four or five days a week, with half-day and full-day options, as well as after-school day care. It is based on the Reggio Emilia approach, which was developed in Italy and emphasizes approaches based on art projects and nature exploration, tailoring the education to each child's interests and talents.

Shift in jeans styles puts middle schoolers more in line with school dress codes

By Rebecca De Leon
Times-News writer

Junior high, as many adults remember it, is a stage of life wherein members of the opposite sex become less icky and more interesting. Braces and pimples worsen the awkwardness.

Amidst murmurs of "kids nowadays," today's preteens have managed to blossom into a fashion-forward, technologically savvy community. But is their freedom of expression clashing with middle school dress codes? Not much at the moment, administrators say.

"They sell jeans that are already torn," said Robert Stuart Middle School Principal Kasey Teske, sounding amazed. "There are some nice-looking jeans that look like they have holes but don't actually have holes. Our policy is there can't be any skin showing through the holes. The dress

code says, 'No excessively torn clothing.'"

Teske said Twin Falls middle school rival O'Leary mandates no holes in the jeans are permissible, regardless of whether skin shows or not.

Just a few years ago, department stores advertised jeans for girls in hip-hugger, low-rise and ultra low-rise. Now, jeans are available in skinny, bootcut or flare, referring to the tightness around the leg instead of the location on the hips. Although boys' jeans still come in baggy style, the below-the-waistline sag has been replaced with skinny jeans similar to the girls' style.

"I don't like the super-skinny little jeans or the really baggy pants," said Jeri Henley, the president of Robert Stuart's Parent Teacher Student Association and mother of 12-year-old Jordan Henley. "But I can't do much about that. But there's really not too much skin showing at that

level (middle school). Most kids just wear jeans and a T-shirt."

A couple of young Magic Valley Mall shoppers said their peers are particularly brand conscious.

"Kids wear shirts that have 'Aero' written on them," said Lindsy Nichols, 11, of Burley's Mountain View Elementary. "And jeans or capris or something."

Nichols was wearing a T-shirt with an abstract design, capris and Converse-like shoes. She added a little spunk with a streak of purple in her blonde hair.

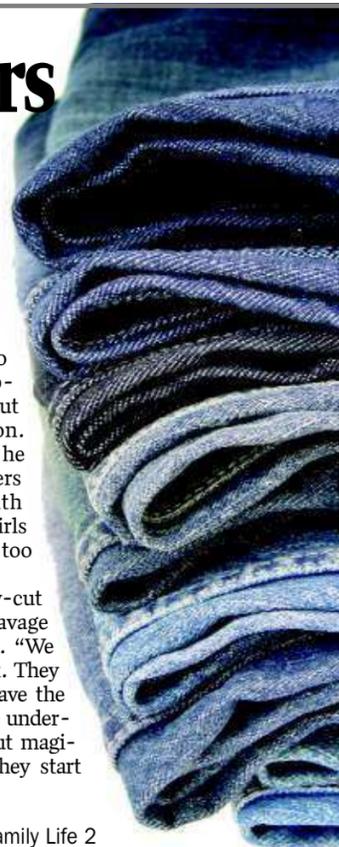
"I just wear South Pole," said Adrian Gil, 11, of Murtaugh Elementary School. "Most guys just wear jeans and a T-shirt from Abercrombie or Aeropostale or something. It's just not my type of clothes." Gil was dressed in a T-shirt with South Pole written on it and shorts that just covered his knee, with a dark pair of sneakers.

Those aren't choices likely to get a kid in trouble with a school dress code.

"There are only two real consistent problems," Teske said about middle school fashion. One of the problems, he said, is middle schoolers wearing pants with holes. The other is girls wearing tops that are too revealing.

"Girls will wear low-cut shirts that show cleavage sometimes," Teske said. "We still deal a lot with that. They look fine when they leave the house. They wear those under-shirts, which is fine, but magically during the day, they start slipping down."

See **JEANS**, Family Life 2



SENIOR CALENDAR

Twin Falls Senior Citizen Center

530 Shoshone St. W., Twin Falls. Lunch at noon Monday through Friday. 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: Baked ham
Tuesday: Beef stew

ACTIVITIES:

Monday: Fit and Fall Proof exercise, 10:30 a.m. Bridge, 12:30 p.m. Tai chi, 1 p.m.
Tuesday: Ticket Tuesday at lunch Line dancing, 6:30 p.m.
Wednesday: Cinnamon rolls for sale, 8 a.m. to noon Quilting, 9 a.m. to noon Fit and Fall Proof, 10:30 a.m.
Thursday: Pinochle, 12:30 p.m.
Friday: Quilting, 9 a.m. to noon Fit and Fall Proof, 10:30 a.m. Bingo, noon Tai chi, 1 p.m.

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MENUS:

Monday: Tomato soup, grilled cheese sandwich
Tuesday: Bacon Swiss burger
Wednesday: Cook's choice
Thursday: Corn dogs

ACTIVITIES:

Today: Roast beef dinner, 1 p.m.
Monday: SilverSneakers exercise program, 10:30 a.m.
Tuesday: Quilting, 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.
Wednesday: SilverSneakers, 10:30 a.m. Farmers market, 4:30 to 6 p.m. at the center

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.

MENU:

Tuesday: Baked ham

ACTIVITIES:

Monday: Bingo, 7 p.m.; public welcome
Tuesday: Puzzles, 11:30 a.m. Bingo, 12:45 p.m. Cards, 1 to 4 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 (Monday, Wednesday and Friday) 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: Barbecued beef on a bun
Friday: Pork chops

ACTIVITIES:

Monday: Tai chi, 10 a.m. Exercise, 10:30 a.m. Blood pressure checks 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: Tater tot casserole
Tuesday: Chef salad
Wednesday: Chicken fried steak
Thursday: Ham

ACTIVITIES:

Monday: Pinochle, 12:30 p.m. Wild card, 6 p.m.
Tuesday: Hand and foot, 6 p.m.
Thursday: Morning out, 9 a.m.
Friday: Duplicate bridge, 1 p.m.

Wendell Senior Meal Site

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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.

MENUS:

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Wednesday: Baked cod
Friday: Chicken

ACTIVITY:

Wednesday: Entertainment

Jerome Senior Center

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MENUS:

Monday: Chicken fried steak
Tuesday: Porcupine meatballs
Wednesday: Ham
Thursday: Barbecued ribs
Friday: Meatloaf

ACTIVITIES:

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. Snack bar, 5 p.m. Bingo, 7 p.m.; early bird, 6:45 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, 12:30 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: Fried chicken
Thursday: Hamburger gravy over mashed potatoes

ACTIVITIES:

Wednesday: Men's Bible study and breakfast, 7 a.m. 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: Pork roast
Thursday: Chef 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: Ham and beans
Wednesday: Grilled cheese sandwich, tomato soup
Friday: Meatloaf

ACTIVITIES:

Monday: Exercise, 9 a.m. Coffee, 9:30 a.m. Quilting, 10 a.m.
Tuesday: Pinochle, 1 p.m. Bingo
Wednesday: Black-out bingo, 12:30 p.m.
Friday: Pinochle, 1 p.m. Bingo

Camas County Senior Center

127 Willow Ave. W., Fairfield. Lunch at noon. Suggested dona-

tion: \$4, seniors 60 and older; \$4.50, non-seniors; \$2.50, children 10 and younger. Quilting, pool, table games, puzzles, TV, videos. Center hours: 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

MENUS:

Tuesday: Corned beef and cabbage
Wednesday: Tacos
Friday: Pot roast

Blaine County Senior Center

721 Third Ave. S., Hailey. Lunch at noon. Suggested donation: \$3, seniors; \$5, non-seniors. Center hours: 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday through Friday.

MENUS:

Monday: Chef's choice
Tuesday: Tuna and noodle casserole
Wednesday: Chicken fried steak
Thursday: Roasted turkey
Friday: Meatloaf

ACTIVITIES:

Monday: Walking Club, 8:30 a.m. 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: Walking Club, 8:30 a.m. Fit and Fall Proof, 10 a.m.
Thursday: Movie, 1 p.m.; \$2
Friday: Fit and Fall Proof, 10 a.m.

Carey Senior Center

Main Street. Lunch at noon. Suggested donation: \$3, seniors; \$5, non-seniors.

MENUS:

Monday: Soup and salad bar, sandwich
Thursday: Roasted turkey

Minidoka County Senior Citizens Center

702 11th St., Rupert. Lunch at noon. 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.

MENUS:

Monday: Grilled chicken salad

Tuesday: Salisbury steak
Wednesday: Taco salad
Thursday: Chicken sandwich
Friday: Chicken or fish

ACTIVITIES:

Monday: Pinochle, 1 p.m.
Tuesday: Pool, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.
Wednesday: Pinochle, 1 p.m.
Thursday: Pool, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.
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: Freezer special
Tuesday: Beefy Spanish rice
Wednesday: Roast beef
Thursday: Sloppy Joe
Friday: Chicken

ACTIVITIES:

Monday: Pool Exercise, 11 a.m. Pinochle, 1 p.m.
Tuesday: Wood carving, 8:30 a.m. Radio show, 9:30 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: Hot pork sandwich
Tuesday: Country beef and macaroni

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.

Facebook, blogs add nuances, nuisances for parents

By Amanda Kwan
Associated Press writer

If she could turn back time, Sherry Petersik would have done things differently on Facebook.

The 28-year-old new mom, who writes a home decor blog called Young House Love, wanted only friends and family to access her profile on the six-year-old social networking site. But one blog reader sought permission, followed by others, and at the risk of alienating them, Petersik and husband John lost their privacy.

Keeping family life private at a time when 500 million people are on Facebook is a challenge made tougher for young early adopters used to living life online but now also juggling the responsibilities of marriage and children.

Petersik, who lives in Richmond, Va., wanted only family to know when she was pregnant, and when daughter Clara was born in May. Their joy was tempered by concern that someone in their real-life circle would inadvertently spill the news on Facebook.

Losing privacy "has completely changed the way I use Facebook," Petersik said. "We now feel like we can't share a lot of personal things because we feel like we don't want the world at-large to read them."

She said they used to share travel plans or personal details because "these were our friends and family, they're not going to rob us or have an agenda," but now the couple is hyper-aware of keeping those details offline.

Yakini Etheridge, a 31-year-old clinical psychologist in New York City, has whittled down what she reveals on her profile as more readers of her parenting blog, Prissy Mommy, find her on Facebook. She said that at the time she joined Facebook, she didn't realize she could be selective about how much personal information to share.

"As I learned about it, I was like 'Oh, I don't have to have



Sara Hinkle and her husband, Travis, use laptop computers to blog from their apartment in Bloomington, Ind. Hinkle is a 24-year-old new mom and writes about her experiences.

people see my schools? OK, then they don't need to," she said.

Etheridge and husband Derek have a toddler named Chase and a new baby. On top of parenting, they're dealing with her blog, where she posts personal photos and anecdotes, and baby product reviews. Etheridge didn't realize Derek, a lawyer, was sensitive about photos until she posted what she thought was a cute family moment: Derek in an undershirt and boxers, reading to Chase on the couch.

"He called me from work and said, 'I can't believe you put a picture of me with my underwear online!'" Etheridge recalled. "I was like, 'You're just wearing shorts and a shirt!' And he's like, 'Those aren't shorts, those are my boxers!'"

She said she didn't immediately realize that the intimate family moment was available, for example, to one of Derek's clients. She deleted the photo.

Sara Hinkle, a 24-year-old new mother and freelance illustrator in Bloomington, Ind., said the seemingly simple act of taking pictures with friends and talking about her day now goes

through self-editing.

"If they don't know about the blog, I don't ever put their names in it," she said.

But for Brittany Birmel, a 30-year-old mom of three in the Denver suburbs, personal blogs are so common in her social circle that she's not concerned when she shares photos of friends or their children. All of them have their own blogs and post photos and other personal information there so the permission is assumed, she said.

Birmel, who writes the parenting blog Tangled and True, posts photos of her two daughters, Lily and Stella, and son Finn. She said she recognized the risk of using their real names online, but skirting around identifying her children was a futile attempt at deterring anyone determined to get that information.

"In all honesty, if someone wants to find your kid and take your kid, they can find your kid and take your kid," she said.

Etheridge, who recently posted photos on her blog of her son on vacation in Jamaica, acknowledged there could be dangers online, but said she tries

to thwart unwanted interest by leaving out revealing photos, such as ones of him in a diaper or in the bathtub.

"Obviously, there's a lot of pedophiles out there," she said. "If they want to get off on Chase, they can do so with his (swim) trunk pictures or his fully clothed pictures."

As with any proud parent, Petersik takes hundreds of photos of Clara but says that because of her blog and Facebook, she works extra hard to be mindful of her daughter's privacy.

"I think there's like 10 or 15 percent more of an effort because of this layer on top," Petersik said.

It may be extra work, but for Etheridge, Birmel and Hinkle, who all started their online journals to keep family in the loop but found a broader audience, it's their personal lives that keeps readers coming back.

"I definitely think that the more candid and honest they are as a blogger, the more people connect with you," Etheridge said. "I do find that I get more comments on a post that I wrote from a heartfelt place."

Jeans

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However, Teske and Henley both said the general middle school student body is modest enough with its style.

"I would say less than 10 percent of students" violate the dress code, Henley said. "Not very many kids want to get in trouble."

In those few cases, administrators hope for parents' help.

"If we are consistent in enforcing the dress code, it becomes not a big issue," Teske said. "We as adults need to send the right message to kids. When things get bad is when parents don't do their job. Then it gets harder for us. It's a battle won with consistency."

And what about those back-to-school shopping arguments in the mall?

"Stay firm," Henley advised parents taking their middle schoolers clothes shopping. "Just because they really want something doesn't mean they have to get it. You're still the parent — if it's not acceptable to eat dinner in, then it's not acceptable for school."

For some, school uniforms shorten the discussion.

Ana Carpenter of Twin Falls has a 14-year-old, Sosana Carpenter, and a 12-year-old, Robert Carpenter, who attend Xavier Charter School. Xavier requires students to follow a list of clothing guidelines, limiting pant options to khaki pants, capris and shorts; tops must be short- or long-sleeved polos, Oxfords or turtle-necks. Colors are limited to solid navy blue, light blue, royal blue or white. Shoes must be close-toed.

"It makes my life so much easier," Ana Carpenter said. "Basically, the kids just try and decorate their (outfits) as much as possible to express themselves. They decorate mostly with shoes. They buy the flashiest, shiniest, wackiest shoes they can find."

It's an option attractive to some parents. "I'd love to see it go to uniform, in my opinion," Jeri Henley said about her Robert Stuart student base. "Most kids are pretty respectable, but some could clean up a bit. They need to look a little nicer because school is their profession. They need to look at least halfway presentable."

And more than halfway modest. "I usually tell the girls, 'We're not here to go out on a date, we're here to learn,'" Teske said. "Remember the reason why we're here. Clothes should not be a distraction from learning."

Babies' bacteria depends on type of delivery

By **Jessie Schiewe**
Los Angeles Times

Concern about a newborn's bacterial flora is not a topic you're likely to hear discussed in the waiting room of the maternity ward — but that may change. A new study has found that the way in which babies are delivered exposes them to specific bacteria that could play a role in their future health.

The study, published online in the Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences, found that babies delivered vaginally had microbes on their bodies that resembled their mother's vaginal bacteria, while babies delivered via cesarean section had bacterial communities like those commonly present on adult skin.

The finding is significant, scientists said, because the types of bacteria residing on a newborn influence the development of their digestive and immune systems, and may affect their health later.

Though previous studies had suggested that babies delivered by cesarean section lacked the benefit of

protective vaginal bacteria, making them more susceptible to certain pathogens, allergies and asthma, no study until now had compared the bacteria on a newborn with those of the mother in a site of the body other than the gut, said Patricia Conway, a professor at the School of Biotechnology and Biomolecular Sciences at the University of New South Wales, Australia, who was not involved in the study.

Researchers at the University of Puerto Rico, University of Colorado at Boulder and two Venezuelan institutes sampled bacteria from nine women and their 10 newborns. Four of the babies had been delivered vaginally and six, including one set of fraternal male twins, were delivered via C-section.

The mothers were tested one hour before delivery and the babies were tested between 5 minutes and 24 hours after delivery. Samples were collected from the mothers' skin, oral cavities and vaginas; and from the newborns' skin, oral cavities and noses.

At all the sampled sites, babies delivered vaginally had microbial communities resembling those of their mothers' vaginas, rich in the bacterial types *Lactobacillus*, *Prevotella* or *Sneathia*. Babies delivered by C-section had bacteria similar to those found on the skin and were not unique to their mothers; the dominant bacteria were *Staphylococcus*, *Corynebacterium* and *Propionibacterium*.

Elizabeth K. Costello, co-lead author of the study, said the results suggest that cesarean-delivered newborns might acquire their initial bacteria from incidental exposures to the hospital environment or from skin contact with another human being.

"In vaginal births, it's pretty clear that the exposure is determined by the vaginal bacteria. But for C-section babies, each baby has a unique exposure to their environment — they were born at a particular time, had a specific doctor, etc. — that can determine the type of bacterial community that they might pick up and devel-

op," said Costello, who is now a postdoctoral fellow at Stanford University.

The study also found that, regardless of delivery mode, newborns have the same type of bacterial community at multiple sites on the body, in contrast with the highly differentiated communities found in adults.

Conway said that there are ways to enhance the health and immune strength of newborns, regardless of delivery method.

"A woman who has had a C-section need not worry, because sometimes they do have to happen, and there are ways that C-section babies can be protected," she said. Chief among these: breastfeeding.

Costello added that the findings, for now, are only relevant to the scientific community: It's not yet clear how long the microbial differences that were detected persist and how much they influence a baby's health.

"A lot of future research is needed before we can give any advice to expecting mothers," she said.

STORK REPORT

St. Luke's Magic Valley Medical Center

Aden Matthew Baxter, son of Linda Kay Lopez of Rupert, was born July 30, 2010.

Selena May Ayala, daughter of Amber Deana Dean of Twin Falls, was born Aug. 8, 2010.

Leah Marie Guillen and **Mia Rose Guillen**, twin daughters of Whitney Marie Sams of Wendell, were born Aug. 9, 2010.

Oliver Parker Ball, son of Semaphie Rane Odgen and Jonathan Tanner Ball of Twin Falls, was born Aug. 16, 2010.

Alexsis Jean Juarez, daughter of McKayla Jean Kuntz and Abraham Juarez-Hernandez of Twin Falls, was born Aug. 17, 2010.

Joe Michael Arsenault, son of Anita Ann Marie and Albert Donald Arsenault Jr. of Filer, was born Aug. 16, 2010.

Olivia Lynn Barnes, daughter of Shelah Renee and James Phillip Barnes of Jerome, was born Aug. 16, 2010.

Gabriel Aaron Kolsen, son of Claribel and Aaron David Kolsen of Twin Falls, was born Aug. 16, 2010.

Ava Christine Wilkinson, daughter of Christine Marie and Jason Roy Wilkinson of Twin Falls, was born Aug. 17, 2010.

Briana Jalciry Arroyo, daughter of Ana Rosa Iniguez and Lamberto Arroyo of Hazelton, was born Aug. 18, 2010.

Skyler Blair Heath, son of Jennifer Anne and David Kenneth Heath of Jerome, was born Aug. 18, 2010.

River Scott Fuqua, son of Lacey Lee Bowman and Brandon Lewis Fuqua of Jerome, was born Aug. 19, 2010.

Zoe Rose Huddleston, daughter of Lora Ellen and Sean Ernest Huddleston of Twin Falls, was born Aug. 18, 2010.

Jackson Pete Anderson, son of Jeannie Marie and Alexander Ryan Anderson of Shoshone, was born Aug. 19, 2010.

Cadyn Aaron MaKay, son of Athena Dawn MaKay of Twin Falls, was born Aug. 20, 2010.

Sterling Alexander Moore, son of Christy Lou and Gregory Shawn Moore of Twin Falls, was born Aug. 20, 2010.

Addison Olmos, daughter of Sonia Olmos and Enefino Hernandez Olmos Jr. of Twin Falls, was born Aug. 20, 2010.

Michael Gerald Powell, son of Michelle Lee and Thomas C. Powell of Gooding, was born Aug. 20, 2010.

Yadira Valenzuela-Valle, daughter of Yolanda Valle and Jose Luis Valenzuela of Jerome, was born Aug. 20, 2010.

Wyatt Ronan Moore, son of Megan Lee and Gregory Kendall Moore of Twin Falls, was born Aug. 20, 2010.

Creed Jared Sansom, son of Susan Jean and Jared Clive Sansom of Twin Falls, was born Aug. 21, 2010.

Alaina Jannine Pyne, daughter of Crystal Verlyn and Dustin Arnell Pyne of Gooding, was born Aug. 22, 2010.



Photos by DREW NASH/Times-News

Heidi Campbell picks up her children, from left, Quinn, 3, and Cassie, 1, from the College of Southern Idaho Child Care Center.

School

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unemployment, just because they know how to get along with people," she said.

Campbell frequently communicates with the teachers about what Quinn is learning, and she supplements that with teaching and guided play at home, but she's not pressuring him to learn faster than he is comfortable with. "I don't have any ambitions that I want to teach my 3-year-old to read, that he'll knock the socks of the SAT because he's gone to preschool," she said.

Sometimes parents do put too much pressure on kids, Salvoni said, recalling one parent at another school who threatened to have her preschooler's teacher fired if he didn't end the year reading fluently.

"You need to take each child where they're at and move them along the continuum in a way that doesn't turn them off to a lifetime of learning," she said.

The Reggio Emilia program — to be used by The Community School's Early Childhood Center — does that by encouraging teachers to adjust curriculum to match the children's interests as they develop. In first grade last year, for example, a unit on birds and birdhouses morphed into one on photography when a student took a photo of a bird outside the classroom window.

"The more interested you are in something, the more surrounded by it you are, the better you'll learn it," Salvoni said, comparing that process with information learned for a test that vanishes from a student's mind two weeks later.

Making learning fun and interesting is important to Jaime Tigue of Twin Falls, who has two children at the



Cassie Campbell, 1, explores spinning blocks at the College of Southern Idaho Child Care Center.

CSI preschool.

"They're (focused on) experiential learning, not sitting down and forcing the learning process on them. ... It's learning through action, through stories, through playtime," said Tigue, who worries a bit that educational demands on young children are growing, with greater expectations by the time they reach kindergarten.

Of course, an environment outside the home isn't

necessary to guide children's learning, Neff said, but with parents pulled toward work and other obligations, preschool or day care is often where children end up.

Parents can continue guiding their children's play at home, using setting the

WHAT SHOULD I LOOK FOR?

Whether you are seeking a day care program or a preschool, be certain that children's basic needs are taken care of. Assess the safety of the location, the adult-to-child ratio, how communicative caregivers are with parents, how much turnover there is in staff, policies on discipline and illness, and how much opportunity there is for guided play and child-to-child interaction. Ask to see the certifications of the adults, especially teachers. The College of Southern Idaho's Early Education Department recommends the Early Childhood Special Education Blended Certificate, and centers certified by the National Association for the Education of Young Children. Head Start and Idaho STARS are also quality programs, said Ellen Neff, member of the CSI Early Education Department faculty.

table or washing dishes as a way to teach categorization and basic math. Story time can be another daily routine to teach not just language and reading, but imagination.

"You don't sit down and read really fast, you ask questions so they learn the content. See if they can predict (what's next in the story), get cause and effect — that's all academic," Neff said.

Academics, for a 2-year-old? Of course.

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New behind the wheel
Driver education now covers cell phone safety — but parallel parking and merging on the highway are as scary as ever.
NEXT SUNDAY IN FAMILY LIFE

CLEANING CORNER
Question: I'm a traditional kind of gal, even when it comes to window washing. I feel silly admitting this, but... I still wash my windows and mirrors with newspapers!! And not because I think it does a great job, but because it's been a cleaning tradition in my family for generation after generation. Is this really a good thing to pass on to my posterity?
"Cherishing Granny's Rags!"
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Parents finding benefit in teaching babies sign language as well as speech

By Josh Goldstein
The Philadelphia Inquirer

PHILADELPHIA — Toward the end of lunch, Phoenix Ferragame, 17 months old, raised both hands in front of his chest and tapped his fingertips together.

His mother smiled. "You want more? More chips?" Gina Ferragame asked, mimicking the hand movement and then passing the bowl to her son.

For parents, hardly anything is as satisfying as being able to communicate with their children. But speech requires development of three muscle groups. Toddlers typically have motor control of their hands and fingers months sooner.

Teaching a short vocabulary of American Sign Language — milk, more, please, and a handful of other words — is so simple that parents are networking, classes are spreading, and how-to sites are booming.

Ferragame and her husband began working on basic signs with their older son, Theo, when he was 5 months old.

"I saw a response immediately," she said. "I was inspired by the fact that I could acknowledge him."

Theo, now 3 years old, verbalizes well. The other day, however, he touched his chin with his fingertips and extended the hand out and down, palm up — thank you. "It's nice, as a mom, to hear — or see, really — please and thank you through the day," said Ferragame, 35.

Using signs both before and after the boys started to talk resulted in fewer tears and tantrums in their Mount Airy, Pa., home, she said.

Children often can communicate faster with gestures or sign language than with speech, reducing their frustration at not getting what they want. And experts say that signing early can help with language development of all kinds later.

There is no consensus that early signing can bring improvement in IQ scores, as some advocates suggest. But almost everyone says that the positive parent-child interaction involved in teaching and using sign language is beneficial.

"What you are really doing is interacting with your child," said Kathy Hirsh-Pasek, a professor of psychology at Temple University who specializes in language development. "The more you interact with your children, the better their language skills are going to be, so whatever gets parents to do that, it is a positive thing."

The process is straightforward and time-consuming — lots of repetition of both words and signs like milk and eat and more when your child is thirsty, hungry, or wants more of anything. Often it takes months of consistent effort before the child begins to sign.

Hirsh-Pasek and other experts say there is no evidence that learning sign language will limit speech development, especially since the process involves both verbal and nonverbal communication.

If children were taught sign language as a true second language, it would be the equivalent of growing up in a bilingual household, said Gary Emmett, director of hospital pediatrics at Thomas Jefferson University, who often lectures on child development.

"We know that if you grow up in a truly bilingual home ... children will start to speak about one month later, but they will speak both languages fine," he said. "It is a language-rich environment that really helps children develop."

For example, Emmett said, students who do the best in school have heard about 10 times the number of words at home as the poorest students.

Linda P. Acredolo, an emeritus professor of psychology at the University of California-Davis, is a leading proponent of teaching hearing children to sign, and her federally funded research found clear benefits.

"These kids had a jump start in language and were able to ask questions earlier and engaged with adults earlier," Acredolo said. "Of course it would benefit their intellectual development."

To study the impact of sign language on child development, Acredolo and Susan W. Goodwyn, of California State University at Stanislaus, randomly divided 103 infants into three groups. In one, parents taught them sign or gestural language; in a second, parents were encouraged to work on verbal language development; and in a control group, parents were given no particular direction about language. They were followed for eight years.

"In a significant proportion of the comparisons ... infants who augmented their fledgling vocal vocabularies with symbolic gestures outperformed those



Theo Ferragame, 3, demonstrates the sign for 'love' in the family's dining room in Philadelphia. His parents found using signs both before and after Theo and his brother Phoenix started to talk resulted in fewer tears and tantrums.

MCT photos

SIGNING BASICS

Numerous books and websites offer help in teaching infants sign language. Among them: Common signs for kids, with video illustrations: www.sign-withme.com An extensive American Sign Language dictionary: www.lifeprint.com

who did not," the study concluded. No such differences were found in the group that focused on verbal skills.

The findings, published in the journal *Child Development* in 1993 and subsequently elsewhere, also found that the children who learned signs as infants and toddlers scored higher, on average, on IQ tests administered at age 8. "We try to not make a big deal about that because we don't want our signing to go into the pile of better-baby gimmicks," Acredolo said in a phone interview.

Acredolo and Goodwyn first recognized in 1982 that babies were using gestures to communicate things they could not verbalize. Their research ultimately led to "Baby Signs: How to Talk to Your Baby Before Your Baby Can Talk" in 1996, the first of several books.

They later founded Baby Signs Inc., a company that was at the vanguard of a growing global industry



M. Davi Chandrasekaran, center, makes the sign for 'wake up' as she tells a story to Phoenix Ferragame, right, and his brother Theo in the boys' playroom.

offering tools for parents.

"It is not necessarily new, but it certainly has exploded in the marketplace," said Jennifer Burstein, manager of speech-language pathology at Children's Hospital of Philadelphia.

Parents are drawn to the movement "not because it speeds up language, not because it makes kids smarter," Acredolo said. "It is because of the positive emotional bonds that it creates, the lower frustration levels, the ability to engage older siblings. ... It is all these rich cultural and emotional things that are the core of the benefit."

THE BEST OF THE MOM BLOGGERS
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MOM SPEAK
A BLOG BY SHELLEY BONNES

Elmo: the voice of influence

I have to start off by telling you just how much I love potty training! Do you sense my sarcasm? I will admit that at this stage of what I have encountered in my parenting experience I would eagerly take on the sleepless nights of newborn feedings and even tantrums over potty training. Almost everyone I talk with agrees that their boys were much harder than girls to potty train. I hear amazing stories of 18-month to 2-year-olds eager to potty train, and there is always one common factor: They are the girls. ... My oldest two boys were 3 and 3 months and 3 1/2 before I can say they were successfully potty trained. ... My theory is that boys just have better things to spend their time on and personal hygiene is at the bottom of the list. ... Thus I have decided to take a new approach with my youngest boy who just turned 2 in July. I am turning over the potty training to Elmo.

The mother-daughter split: Love is not gentle or kind

By Debra-Lynn B. Hook
McClatchy Newspapers

When you're a mother, you get used to handling whatever comes your way.

For starters, you handle pregnancy. And childbirth. As time goes on, you learn to appear normal while wearing spit-up on your clothes; to remain calm while the ER doctor sews stitches into your daughter's head for the third time that summer; to seem unfazed when your crusty pediatrician tells you mothers have lived for generations without eight hours of sleep a night, and you will, too. Ah, but then right about the time you get cocky, right about the time you think you might even be pretty good at this, your daughter, the one who used to wear Hello Kitty jammies and suck her thumb while saying, "You my best friend, Mommy," slams your psyche against the wall.

Psychologist types like to call this individuation.

I call it hell in flip-flops — that unique time in your daughter's life when she discovers that not only is she separate from you, but that she has a primal need to tear your self-esteem into tiny bits and stomp it into the ground.

The manifestation of this critical separation can vary. It can start early, like it did for my one friend, whose daughter was 11 when she began a non-stop criticism of the way her mother arranged her kitchen/her hair/her life. It also can appear late in the game, as it did for me one afternoon a few weeks ago, just before my daughter turned 18.

The event was relatively benign. My daughter snarled at me over something simple. I snarled back. But instead of making up like we usually do, she ignored me for two days, during which time she flitted like a songbird freed from its cage, while I curled up in the fetal position with my cell phone, my blankie and several Hershey bars.

"I don't know why this is affecting me," I sobbed to my sister. "It's not like I

didn't know this was coming."

Indeed, we do know this is coming. We did it to our mothers, and they did it to theirs. Boys do it, too, and don't I remember my first-born son growling at me like a dog from the age of 11 to 17? The difference with girls is, we are our daughters, and they are us. We are relational, we female people, and we mothers inadvertently put a lot of stock in this very important female relationship that is going to redeem our past and reflect our future. We look at them when they are adoring us at 6, and we think: "It's not going to happen to us." And then it happens anyway.

The fact of the matter, if all is going according to plan, it's been happening all along, from weaning, to her loosening her grip on your hand at the kindergarten door, to the artsy mom's jock daughter being captain of her varsity high school soccer team. It's just as your daughter gets older, the separation gets uglier, more desperate, more sophisticated, aimed directly, and dead-on accurately, at your Achilles' heel.

"You're so aggressive, Mom," my daughter whispered to me as I was indeed rather aggressively pursuing missing information at her college orientation.

I want my daughter to be a healthy, well-adjusted adult and for our relationship to emerge stronger than ever. I do. I do. I swear I do.

And so, even though my peri-menopausal need is to cling as she prepares to leave for college, I take the hits.

And then I hide under the covers when she's not looking and talk to my sister — until such time that my daughter bursts into my room at midnight after a difficult argument with her boyfriend, curls up in my arms and tells me I get her like nobody else, and would I please tuck her into bed tonight?

It's all part of the grand plan. She loves me. She loves me not. She loves me. I know she does.



Gina Ferragame, right, reacts with the sign for 'yeah' or 'happy' as her 17-month-old son, Phoenix, center, signs 'more.' Her son Theo is at left.

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Losing a special pet causes grief and questions

By Sue Manning
Associated Press writer

LOS ANGELES — Jane Shaw called Jake her angel dog. Jake saw her through vet school, through her father's death, through a divorce and into private practice. He even did therapy work.

"He had a good sense about him, he was very reasonable. He kind of went through life at a good pace, he wasn't lethargic or excitable," Shaw said.

But 11 years ago, Shaw lost Jake to a car accident. She didn't just lose a pet, she lost the hiking partner she built her life around and that shared her lifestyle.

Through the grief came a question familiar to those who have lost a special pet: Should she get another pet? And when?

"It is healthy to have a transition period. In grieving, we're taking time to honor the pet we lost. Grief is so miserable," said the veterinarian, who is now director of the Argus Institute in the College of Veterinary Medicine & Biomedical Sciences at Colorado State University in Fort Collins, Colo.

People used to think getting a new pet right away was as important as getting back on a bicycle after you fall off. But a little time will generally help, Shaw said.

There are no wrong answers about if and when to get a new pet — just a few wrong turns. Some people

will mistakenly try to "replace" a lost pet, she said, trying to find an animal that looks, sounds and behaves the same. Some people will even give the new pet the same name.

A few have tried cloning, but "while you can get a genetic replication, you can't get the same personality or temperament," Shaw said.

It took Shaw 11 months to get a new dog.

"I wanted to make sure I didn't pull the trigger too fast. Whoever this new dog was had really big paws to fill. I wanted to make sure he had a chance," she said.

It's been 10 years now and Cliff — another mutt from a shelter — is everything she could want in a best friend.

Doreen Disbro of Indianapolis, Ind., lost her German shepherd named Tandy to hip disease in 2003, and she's still grieving.

"I didn't put her things, her toys, away for several weeks. I would lay next to her bed," she said.

For two months, she came home to an empty house every night and was miserable, said Disbro, an administrative assistant for a medical informatics firm and a pet blogger.

"There will never be another Tandy," she said. But she knew she could give another dog a good home and lots of love, so about eight weeks after Tandy died, she adopted Millie, who is 7 now. Soon after, Millie was joined by Riley

Elizabeth, 6, a Lab mix; and Kiko, a year-old Boston rat terrier.

The shepherd's loss still hurts, especially when she sees a dog that looks like her, or an old photo or a stuffed animal like one Tandy used to play with.

"Lost love and memories can beautifully coexist with new love and happiness," Ingrid King wrote after her cat Amber died in May.

A month before Amber died, King adopted a kitten named Allegra.

"I will eventually add a second cat to our family, but I'm just not ready," said King, an author and former

veterinary hospital manager from Herndon, Va.

Some people use time between pets to travel, start a family, move, take a new job. Some older people are reluctant to take in a new pet for fear the pet will outlive them. Every person, every pet, every relationship is different. Most people know when it is time to get a new companion, Shaw said. Or the pet will find them.

Brett Holmes was fresh out of college when he found George at a shelter near Dallas. For 14 years, Holmes and the yellow Lab mix were inseparable, living in Los Angeles, where

George went to work with Holmes every day and they ran each morning or night — or both.

When Holmes was a single parent, George ran alongside him and his son, wearing out three strollers in four years.

"I've come to understand that George represented the best of life — during a special period of mine in which he inspired me to seize each day and do my best to make my life extraordinary," said Holmes, who now lives in Austin, Texas, where he works for a pet food company.

It's been 10 years since

George died. Holmes hasn't gotten another pet because "I couldn't seem to get past my memories of George."

But he's met others who had similar relationships with their pets and "I've learned to be more honest about my feelings about George, and acknowledge to others and to myself my profound sense of loss and sorrow," he said.

So he has been visiting shelters and is openly looking for a new friend to share some different times with. It won't be the rollercoaster ride he and George took. Maybe this time they will walk more than they run.

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Engagements

Bixler-Shaddy

Shana Bixler, Twin Falls, announces the engagement of her daughter, Amber Bixler to Jeremiah Shaddy, son of Roger Shaddy and Emily McKnight of Twin Falls.

Amber is a 1998 graduate of Twin Falls; 2002 of ISU with a BS in Health Education. She works as a behavior therapist at Progressive Behavior Systems in Twin Falls.

Jeremiah is a 2000 graduate of Buhl High School. Jeremiah is co-owner of Shaddy and Sons LLC



Amber Bixler and Jeremiah Shaddy

which was established on 2008.

Their wedding is planned for September 23, 2010 at Clear Lakes Country Club in Buhl.

Henderson-West

Dennis and Cynthia West of Twin Falls are pleased to announce the engagement of their son, Matthew Ray West to Patti Delanie Henderson, daughter of Ted and Kathi Henderson of Elk City, Oklahoma.

Matthew is a 2005 graduate of Twin Falls High School. He received his Bachelor of Science degree in Christian Education from Southern Nazarene University in Bethany, Oklahoma in 2009. He is currently a student at Nazarene Theological Seminary in Kansas City, Missouri where he will graduate in 2012 with a Master of Arts degree in Christian Education. He is employed at Prime Electric in Edmond, Oklahoma.

Patti is a 2006 graduate



Patti Delanie Henderson and Matthew Ray West

of Kingfisher High School in Kingfisher, Oklahoma. She received her Bachelor of Business Administration degree in Marketing from the University of Central Oklahoma in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. She is employed at the Hartford Insurance Group in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

The wedding is planned for March 19, 2011 at the Greenwood Plantation in St. Francisville, Louisiana.

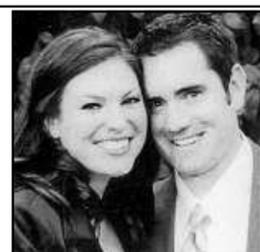
Merrigan-Smith

Pat & Linda Merrigan of Paul are pleased to announce the marriage of their daughter, Paige Leigh Merrigan to Christopher Doherty Smith son of Kevin & Julie Smith of Littleton, Co.

Wedding will be on September 4th in Denver, Co. with a reception in Idaho on October 9th.

She is a 2001 graduate of Minico High School receiving her Business degree from Gonzaga University in Spokane Washington 2005 and her MBA from Regis University in Denver in 2009.

He is a 2003 graduate of Regis Jesuit High School in Aurora, Co. receiving his



Paige Merrigan and Christopher Smith

Bachelor of Arts degree from Colorado State University in 2008.

Paige is employed with the Department of Energy as a Grants Specialist and he is employed with ALPS Price Meadows as a Mutual Fund Accountant.

The couple will make their home in Denver, Co.

Thieman-Johnson

Together with their parents, Irene B. Thieman and Harry E. Johnson Jr. are happy to announce their engagement and upcoming marriage.

Both graduated in the year 1986; Harry from Twin Falls High and Irene from Filer High.

They were high school sweethearts for nearly two years. Life took them both in many different directions since then. Now after 23 years, they feel very blessed to be back together again.

The wedding is planned



Irene B. Thieman and Harry E. Johnson Jr.

for September 10, 2010 and set to take place in Twin Falls. After returning from honey-mooning on the Oregon Coast, the couple will reside in their new home near Boise, Idaho.

Anniversaries

The Udy's

Dan and Brenda Udy of Potlatch, ID and formerly of Genesee, celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary on a wonderful jet boat trip with their 4 children while all were briefly home from college.

Both natives of southern Idaho, Dan a 1982 graduate of Raft River and Brenda Fabricius a 1981 graduate of Meridian, met at the University of Idaho and were married August 9, 1985, in Malta. They were the first husband/wife couple to graduate in Agricultural Education together from the U of I.

After graduation, they moved to Hagerman, ID, where Dan taught Vocational Ag and coached football. Years later, they relocated to Tekoa, WA for 5 years, then back to northern Idaho, where they raised their four kids in Genesee.

Over the years, Dan worked for Seeds Inc., Nu-Chem and Zion's Bank. Brenda briefly taught Vocational Ag in Wendell, then did childcare in their home until their kids were of school age. She continued on at Plants of the Wild nursery and also taught Home Economics, before working at her latest place of employment.

Their greatest memories are of coaching their kids when they were young, years of ballgames and



Brenda and Dan Udy

state tournament trips with family and friends, and 14 years of animal projects at the fair. They have met wonderful friends throughout the years.

Currently, Dan is managing Deep Creek Angus Ranch in Potlatch while Brenda has been employed at the USA Dry Pea and Lentil Council in Moscow for the past 10 years. Both love the outdoors, time with their kids, ranch life and traveling to football games on weekends.

Dan has retired from coaching after 22 years, and Brenda is a retired EMT, 4-H and campfire leader. They are both active with community service projects.

Dan and Brenda are proud parents of 4 children; JenaLee, 23 and attending Boise State in radiology, Justin, 21 and majoring in business while playing football at Eastern Oregon, Jordan, 20 and attending North Idaho College in nursing, and Jaymon, 19, who will be attending LCSC in mechanics.

Weddings

Lee's

Steve & Sally Victor of Twin Falls announce the marriage of their daughter, Karen to Sage Lee, son of Kim & Jami Lee of Twin Falls.

Karen is a 2004 graduate of Twin Falls High School. She graduated cum laude from Utah Valley University with a bachelor of science degree in accounting. She is currently employed at Outback Steakhouse.

Sage is a 2004 graduate of Twin Falls High School. He attended Utah State University and sold real estate in Utah. He is



Karen and Sage Lee

currently employed with Lee Family Broadcasting.

The marriage ceremony and reception were held on Saturday, August 28th, 2010 at the Victor residence.



AP photo

Millie chews on a stick as Doreen Disbro plays with her dogs Kiko, in her arms, and Riley Elizabeth in the backyard of her Indianapolis home. Disbro lost her German shepherd to hip disease in 2003, and she's still grieving. But she knew she could give another dog a good home and lots of love, so about eight weeks later, she adopted Millie, who is 7 now.

The only kid is all right

By Shari Roan
Los Angeles Times

LOS ANGELES — Parents of one child may wonder if they have doomed the little one to a life of dysfunction due to the lack of a sibling. Rest assured, only children seem to have social skills on par with peers who have siblings.

In a study presented at the American Sociological Association annual meeting, researchers followed up on a previous study examining how only children fared socially. The 2004 study found that children without siblings had poorer social skills in kindergarten compared with those who had at least one sibling.

The new study questioned students in grades 7 through 12 at more than 100 schools. This time researchers found that only children were selected as friends by schoolmates just as often as peers with brothers and sisters.

"Anyone who didn't have that peer interaction at home with siblings gets a lot of opportunities to develop social skills as they go through school," a co-author of the study, Donna Bobbitt-Zeher, said in a news release.



A prickly situation

What happens when porcupines, badgers and other wild animals wander into town.

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Kids Only

COOL FOR SCHOOL

By Margaret Webb Pressler
The Washington Post

Whether or not you're excited to go back to school, at least you can look forward to some new back-to-school gear. There is plenty of cool stuff in stores this year, from backpacks with separate compartments for laptops to notebooks in every possible color and style. There are lots of ways to outfit and decorate your book bag or make your locker feel like home, with magnetic lights, pencil holders, water bottle holders and every kind of organizer imaginable. Here are a few of our favorite products this year.

Pencil case or jump rope?

The pencil case is showing up in every possible color and design this year. The ZipIt pencil case is totally fun to unzip all the way so that it's just one long zipper. But zipped up, it's sturdy, easy to use and great-looking. *ZipIt pencil case, \$12.*



The ZipIt pencil case, left, (\$12) unzips all the way to become one long zipper, and Crayola's new dry-erase crayons, below, work well and don't smell.

WENDY GALIETTA/
Washington Post



Basic? Not anymore

Who says basic desk supplies have to be boring? Here are some that offer function along with rhinestones and other, um, twists. *Staples Glam Rocks Stapler, \$4.99. Staples Flexible Calculator, \$3.99.*

New dry-erase tools

Whether you use a dry-erase board for your locker, your homework or just for fun, there are many new styles to choose from. Expo has new washable markers and a cool line of blackboards with neon markers. If you haven't used crayons in a while, try Crayola's new dry-erase crayons, which work well and don't smell. *Expo Black Board and Neon Dry-Erase Markers, \$15. Crayola Dry-Erase Crayons, \$3.50-\$7.50.*

Hi, honey, don't forget to ...

There are lots of new technology products for kids, including flash drives in all kinds of new designs. But we also like a funky charm that lets you (or Mom) record 30-second mes-



Photo courtesy of Staples
Staples' Flexible Calculator, \$3.99,
and Glam Rocks Stapler, \$4.99.

sages. Hang it on your backpack in case you need to remind yourself to do something — like, say, turn in your homework. *Talkatoo, voice recording pendant, \$17, available at www.talkatoo.com.*

A lock for the iPod generation

Have you ever felt lock stress? What's my combination? Why won't it open? This new take on the combination lock is based on a sequence of up, down, left and right clicks, so it's really quick to open. Stickers let you add letters, numbers, colors, shapes or symbols to customize your dial. *MasterLock Speed Dial Lock, \$10.*



So green it goes away

Many companies are touting eco-friendly products, but we especially liked the idea of biodegradable pens. When they run out of ink, you can pull them apart and bury the casings in your backyard, where they will decompose in a year. *Paper Mate biodegradable pens and pencils, \$5.50 and up for various size packages.*

Photo courtesy of Ann Williams Group, MasterLock

Left, the Talkatoo voice recording pendant (\$16) and, above, the MasterLock Speed Dial Lock (\$10), a combination lock based on a sequence of up, down, left and right clicks.

A reason to get your hands dirty

By Raymond M. Lane
Special to The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — "I took my Barbies out to play with me in the dirt," said Candace Smyth, a lawyer in Takoma Park, Md., remembering growing up near her grandparents' farm in Alabama. "I was always outside, always in the dirt, until I got too old."

"I wish my girl could play in the dirt more," said Smyth of her 5-year-old daughter, Kate Oliphant.

But the family's backyard is small, and Kate's day-care and after-school activities and visits with friends and family sometimes "keep her indoors too much, and maybe we parents are too organized, too clean," the mom said with a laugh.

Now scientists are beginning to think there could be medical and educational reasons for parents and teachers to encourage kids to play in dirt.

That's what Dorothy M. Matthews and Susan M. Jenks, biology professors at Sage College in Troy, N.Y., think they discovered in testing mice who ate *Mycobacterium vaccae*, a harmless bacteria or germ found in dirt almost everywhere.

The professors made little sandwiches of white bread, with a little smear of the bacteria, topped with peanut butter.

DIRT FACT

Dirt is made of four things: ground stones, sand, clay and humus, which is dead animals and plants that have completely decayed.

"Mice love peanut butter," said Matthews. "It was their reward when they ran through our tests."

The professors gave one group of mice *M. vaccae* (pronounced "vah-kay") sandwiches and another group just little peanut butter sandwiches, then watched how quickly the animals could work their way through a difficult maze to the peanut butter reward at the end.

"The mice fed *M. vaccae* navigated the maze twice as fast and showed far less anxiety than the other mice," Matthews said. "We did a second test, and removed *M. vaccae* from the first group's diet, and they still maintained their learning edge. And testing three weeks later — which for mice is about the same as 2 1/2 years for humans — showed that mice exposed once to *M. vaccae* could remember what they learned for a long time."

"That's pretty cool," said Matthews, who remembers growing up in New York City, playing in the dirt of a backyard "with one little tree."

Other scientists who injected *M. vaccae* into

mice found it stimulated neurons in the brainstem to start producing serotonin, said Matthews. Humans make serotonin in their bodies naturally, and it is a well-known contributor to feelings of well-being.

So does that mean dirt sandwiches are a new vitamin for learning?

"Oh, no," explained Matthews. "Please do not start eating dirt sandwiches!" It will take years of studies to find out if there is a real benefit from *M. vaccae* on children or adults, she said.

"But Mother Nature knows best," she added. "It's good for us to be outside on a lot of levels. People feel better when outside and active, and even on a chemical level, that exposure to the biologic world that in all likelihood we evolved with could help us live better lives."

"That's why children should be free to play in the dirt," she said. "It may decrease their anxiety and improve their ability to learn new things."

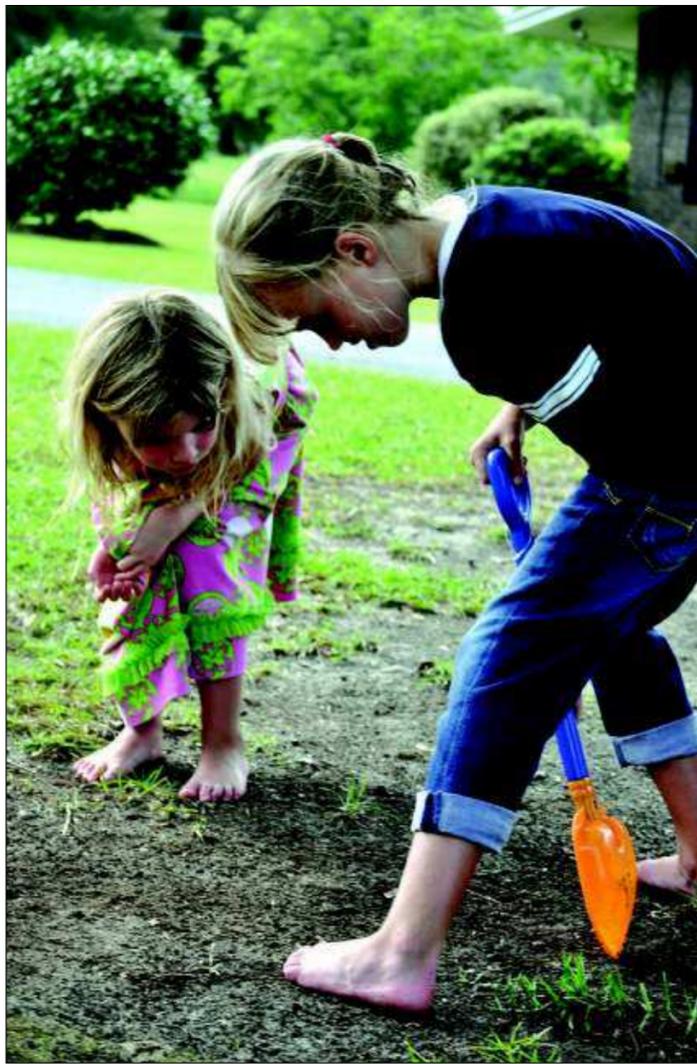
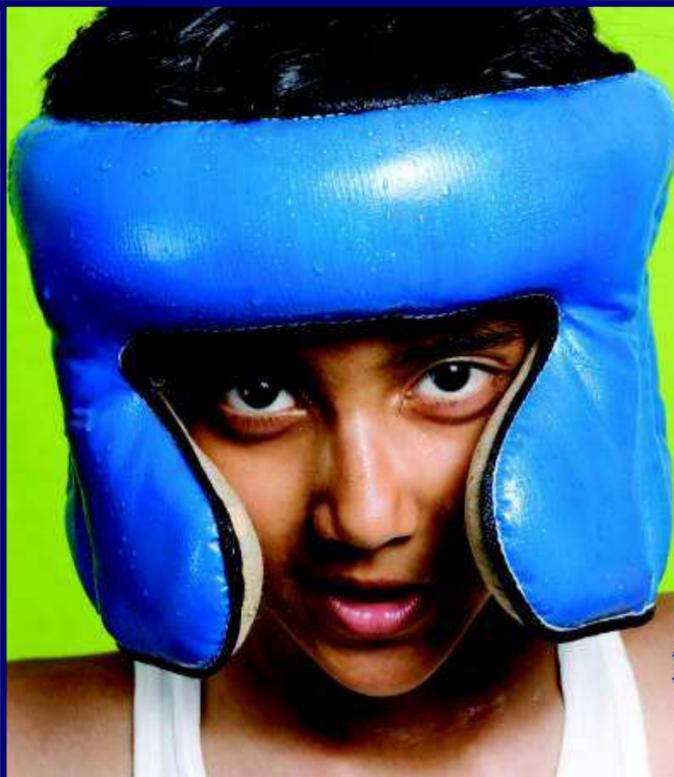


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Kate Oliphant, 5, left, plays with cousin Emma Justice, 8. Scientists think playing in dirt may help kids to learn new things.

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