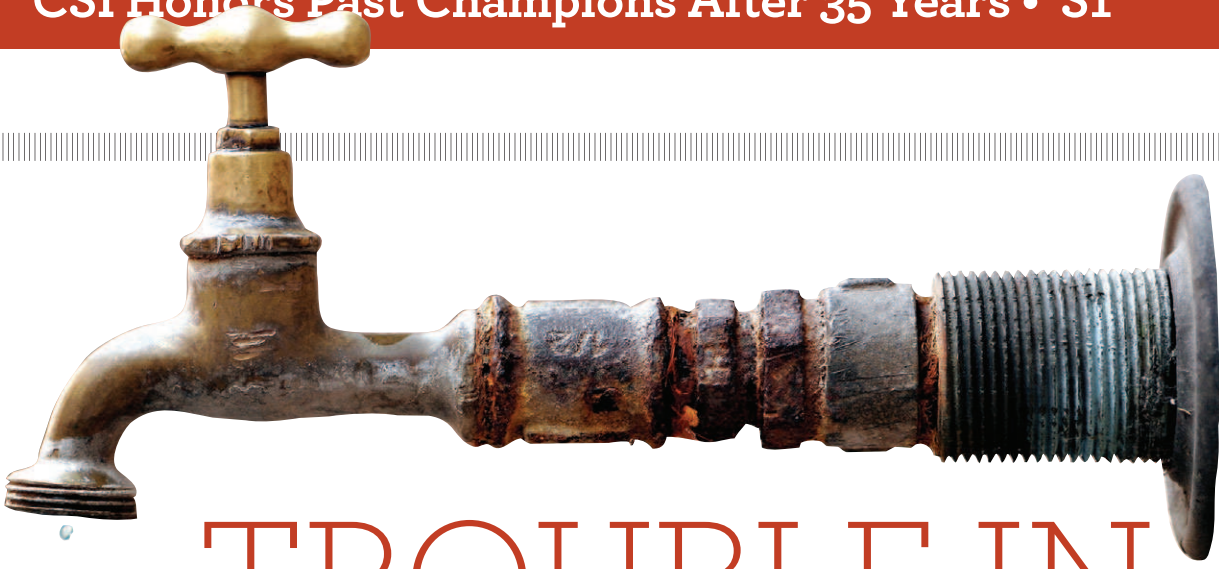


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## TROUBLE IN THE WATER

Bacterial contamination has shut down the Raft River schools' drinking water system and left some Malta residents wondering why the recurring problem hasn't been fixed yet.

BY LAURIE WELCH  
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**MALTA** • Raft River schools have added another R to the teaching curriculum. Along with reading, writing and arithmetic, teachers are also instructing students to refrain from drinking the Malta schools' well water.

"Other schools get new equipment, but we get nothing — not even clean water," said Marcie Williams, an eighth-grade student at Raft River Junior/Senior High School.

Raft River Elementary School and Raft River Junior/Senior High share a well-water system

that has been plagued for years with intermittent positive tests for coliform bacteria. The bacteria often indicate that harmful organisms, including E-coli bacteria and other pathogens, have contaminated the water through exposure to animal or human waste.

Despite several school district remedies, the problem keeps resurfacing.

In March, voters within the consolidated Cassia County School District rejected a \$41.5 million bond issue proposal that — along with a host of other improvements — would have built a new Raft River Junior/Senior High and eliminated well

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## N. Idaho Miner Dies After Accident

**Brandon Lloyd Gary of Kellogg died in an undisclosed medical facility Friday with family by his side.**

BY KEITH RIDLER  
Associated Press

**BOISE** • A mine worker died Saturday of injuries suffered in an accident earlier this week at a northern Idaho silver mine, the operation's second fatal incident this year.

Lucky Friday Mine officials said Brandon Lloyd Gray of Kellogg died at an undisclosed medical facility with his family at his side. Company officials also withheld Gray's cause of death.

Officials said Gray was working deep underground Thursday when loose material began giving way beneath him and another miner.

Melanie Hennessey, a spokeswoman with Hecla Mining Co., which owns the Lucky Friday, said mining officials believe Gray was wearing the appropriate safety equipment including a fall-arrest device that activates somewhat like a seatbelt in a car.

However, Hennessey said, the sinking beneath Gray might have been too slow to activate the device, which can also be triggered by the operator.

The second miner was treated and released at an area medical facility, Hennessey said. That miner's name has not been released.

"Our sincere condolences go out to the family," Hennessey said. "The

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### OAKLEY FOOTBALL



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Fans stay out of the cold as Oakley High School's football team takes on Hagerman Nov. 11 in Oakley.

## Stepping Up to 2A

In a town known for its top-notch football program, Oakley's decision to move up to a bigger, more crowded athletic conference has created waves that are rippling through the community.

BY RYAN HOWE  
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**OAKLEY** • A dozen pre-teen boys converge on Oakley High School's front lawn during lunch hour to play touch football, their noses and cheeks reddened by the crisp autumn air. It's a game where the end zone is the sidewalk, trees serve as first down markers and an offensive line is replaced by three Mississippis.

"Set, hut!"

Leaves crunch beneath feet as everybody scatters in a mess of pass routes. In a small town that revolves around its school and its sports, especially foot-

ball, these tweens dream about the day when it's their turn to don red jerseys and white helmets to play on Friday nights.

But by the time these boys compete for their high school, the athletic landscape in Oakley will be vastly different.

The Idaho High School Activities Association approved Oakley's petition to move from the 1A Division I classification to compete against larger 2A schools in all sports starting next fall.

The community is divided over the move. When the official announcement was made over the school's intercom, according to one Oakley teacher, "All hell broke loose."

### A Shock to the Student Body

Last June, head football coach Tim Behunin petitioned the IHSAA to move Oakley's football team to Class 2A so that it could play 11-man football, rather than the 8-man game of Class 1A. For a small school, Oakley has an unusually large number of football players, and Behunin reasoned more kids would get playing time in 11-man.

In its June meeting, the IHSAA denied the request, but left the door open for Oakley to move all its athletic programs up in class.

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### TODAY IN PEOPLE



## Saving Lives on the Side

If you're in a car accident in rural Cassia County, or have heart troubles outside Oakley, there is a good chance that a volunteer first responder will be the first to help. Across Idaho, most fire departments rely on volunteers. But in recent years, those departments are facing new challenges, like recruiting volunteers and dealing with changing certification requirements.

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# Bad Coffee is Keeping Me Up Nights

I'm the chief cook and bottle-washer at my house since I'm retired and my wife isn't.

The other evening, company was coming to dinner and I downloaded a pork recipe off the Internet. Didn't read the fine print first.

It called for, among other things, three cups of leftover brewed coffee.

I had the coffee, all right. It had been sitting in the percolator since dawn, eating through the ceramic carafe. Could I bring myself to serve that to the guests and run the risk of being convicted of negligent homicide?

Just then the doorbell rang. It was way too late for second thoughts, so the cold coffee — slimy film on the surface and sludge at the bottom — went into the cooking pot.

Our guests survived, but it got me to thinking: Is there such a thing as a decent cup of coffee anymore?

Yeah, I know Starbucks is a \$6 billion business, but it serves mostly coffee-flavored milk and foam. I'm talking about the hard stuff here.

When was the last time your cup o' joe really was good to the last drop?

1969? Sounds about right. That was the year Juan Valdez retired.

Valdez, portrayed by actor Jose Duval, was the Madison Avenue-generated symbol of the National Federation of Coffee Growers of Colombia. In countless print and television ads, Juan and his coffee bean sack-laden mule Conchita extolled the virtues of "mountain-grown" coffee.

Valdez — and Conchita — had faces you could trust. So many of us came of age uncorking 3-pound cans of Yuban, just as happy as if we had good sense.

The coffee may have been good — or it might not. The point is, we believed it was.



Steve Crump  
Don't Ask Me

Forty-two years later, Colombia, the proud realm of the arabica coffee bean, has slipped to third among coffee-producing nations, behind Vietnam and Brazil. Vietnam is the dominion of the robusta bean — the cheap red wine of coffee beans.

Sashay down your supermarket's coffee aisle and grab any 3-pound can at random: Chances are very good it's brimming with robusta.

Then, too, in 1969 decaf coffee was relegated to the Sanka shelf. Now it's ubiquitous. One out of every eight cups of coffee sold in the United States contains no caffeine, and thus has no reason what-ever to exist.

Decaf tastes awful, contributing to the lamentable trend of gulping your morning java and grimacing.

When I was in college, some friends and I took a day trip to San Francisco's North Beach district. Back then, it was an Italian neighborhood and we walked in a little coffee shop where Joe Dimaggio's autographed photo hung on the wall (he grew up next door). I asked the old man behind the counter if we could get a quick cup of coffee.

"A quick cup," he gasped. "Not in my house!"

So we ordered a slow cup. I can still taste it to this day.

Maybe that's because after four decades of drinking robusta, I can't taste much of anything else.

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## Water

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water concerns. That proposal only garnered 44 percent approval, though, as a variety of voters questioned the need for improvements to schools in communities other than their own.

"We do have some of the, 'What is my neighbor getting over the fence,' in a consolidated district," District Board Trustee Mike Matthews said at the time.

Now, the school district is eyeing a potential \$200,000 fix to provide Malta students safe, clean water they can drink out of fountains currently marked off limits. Until such a fix surfaces, Malta students will fill their cups with bottled water that the school has shipped in.

"I think it's horrible," said Malta resident Elaine Tolman. "They need to fix it and they should have done it a long time ago. The kids pack their own water bottles to school because they are afraid to drink the water."

"The district just keeps passing the buck and saying it might be this or it might be that. Would other people send their children to a school where you can't drink the water?"

## Cutting the Flow

The Malta schools' well last tested positive for coliform bacteria on July 25.

Since, the South Central Public Health District, which monitors the school's well system, has noted several negative tests. But due to health concerns that include a 2006 positive test for E-coli, school officials are keeping drinking fountains dry.

Merle Egbert, SCPHD's environmental health director, said the problem has been sporadic, with the school receiving several positive tests in 2008 and better results in 2009. Raft River Elementary School Principal Eric Boden said coliform has been found in both schools, and the problem has been ongoing for at least six years.

After holding a community meeting this fall to evaluate how to proceed, district officials brought in bottled water for students to drink and shut off hallway water fountains. That fix hasn't been entirely popular.

"They are wasting money on water when they should just be getting the problem



LAURIE WELCH/TIMES-NEWS

**Marcie Williams, left, and Rebecca Benitez get cups of water Tuesday from water dispensers at Raft River Elementary School. Students and staff at both the elementary school and junior/senior high school in Malta have been intermittently instructed to avoid drinking the schools' well water for years over concerns about bacterial contamination in the water.**

fixed," said Rebecca Benitez, a Raft River eighth grader.

Some Malta residents question whether the district has done enough. Although students aren't drinking the well water now, they still wash their hands with it and school cooks use the water in the kitchen.

Lisa Bankhead, mother of a Raft River High student, said the whole water system should have been replaced years ago.

"It's making the kids sick and it's not good for them," she said. "If this was happening in Burley it would have been taken care of a long time ago."

Raft River Elementary head cook Millie Teeter said the health district told staff that it's OK to use well water in the kitchen because everything they cook comes to boiling temperature and dishes are sanitized. Egbert said boiling water kills any bacteria present, adding that the district also installed a chlorinator in the well system. As long as that is functioning, he said there should be no health risks for students.

Although the elementary school's 230 students wash their hands with well water, Boden said they also have hand sanitizer available in school restrooms, the lunchroom and the computer lab.

Boden said students are instructed to drink only bottled water at the school, and added that he's never seen a student drink water from one of the school's restroom sinks.

"I would hope that doesn't happen," he said.

Raft River High Principal

Ryan Bowman said visiting sports teams are offered water from a cooler and warned not to drink the school's well water.

"I'm confident that the measures the district is taking will solve the problem," Bowman said.

## No Easy Fix

While spot fixes to the Raft River system — a tank replacement here, a valve or meter there — have been completed in an attempt to remedy the problem, district Superintendent Gaylen Smyer says more action is needed.

"We have taken measures to address this along the way and people have been patient," Smyer said. "Now it's time to take some pretty drastic measures."

The first stage of a planned fix includes a \$60,000 project that would start with the replacement of the galvanized pipe that runs water from the pump house to a number of school facilities. Galvanized pipe, which can develop pin holes that allow contaminants in when it ages, will be replaced with plastic pipe. The schools' pump would also be replaced.

Smyer said a contractor is ready to start the job.

"Once that's done, we'll check it again to see if that was the source of the coliform contamination," Smyer said.

The hope is that since the bacteria aren't typically found in deep groundwater, the district can cut off the system from any contamination that seeps in near the

surface. If that doesn't work, the project will expand to install new lines inside the high school and change out fixtures. That could cost up to \$200,000.

Smyer said the district held off on investing in a new water system for the Malta schools while it pursued bond funding for larger improvements. But the March bond failure marked the third time since 2008 that district voters have shot down a funding proposal that would have brought changes to schools in Albion, Burley, Oakley, Declo and Malta.

Part of the problem, bond opponents have said, is that the more than \$40 million proposal tries to cater too much to each community. Oakley taxpayers questioned the need for a new high school gymnasium in Declo. Folks in Declo argued that they weren't willing to pay for new athletics facilities in Oakley. And voters in Burley — the county's population hub — wondered why they'd pay for improvements in Cassia County's outskirts while also footing the bill for two new schools in town.

But for Malta residents whose want for a new school stemmed at least partially from a need for clean drinking water, the bond issue's failure wasn't seen as a luxury-saving step.

"I feel like the county should have stepped up and built us a school," said Janis Warr, retired school teacher and Malta resident. "Out here, we have a real serious situation. People feel like their children have been sick from this."

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## Miner

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safety of our employees is a top priority and we'll look at ways to make sure that this doesn't occur again."

A phone call made by The Associated Press to a family member of Gray in northern Idaho was not answered Saturday evening.

Cementation U.S.A. Inc., a contractor that employed Gray, and Helca officials are investigating as is the federal Mine Safety and Health Administration.

Helca officials shut down the mine immediately after the accident and have not yet set a date for resuming operations.

This is the second fatal accident at the Lucky Friday in less than a year. In

April, Larry Marek, 53, of Kingston died in a cave-in.

In that death, the Mine Safety and Health Administration concluded that managers of the Lucky Friday engaged in "aggravated conduct constituting more than ordinary negligence" by directing workers to mine a support pillar.

Marek's death was the mine's first fatality since 1986.

Cementation specializes in mine development. Cementation spokesman Stan Devereux said Gray was not married, and that he grew up in Mullan in a family filled with miners.

Gray never regained consciousness after the accident that occurred about a mile underground, Devereux said without elaborating.

The company said Gray started mining in 2008 and joined Cementation in February.

"The whole Cementation family is grieving the terrible loss, and our immediate focus is in supporting Brandon's family with our assistance and prayers," Mike Nadon, Cementation president, said in a statement.

The No. 4 shaft where Gray was working is about 5,000 feet underground, and the company plans over the next several years to go 8,800 feet underground.

"We are deeply saddened by Brandon's passing," said Phil Baker, Helca's president and chief operating officer. "Everyone in Helca extends our sincere condolences to his family and loved ones."



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# Oakley

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Behunin took the issue back to Oakley’s administration and coaches. Although the vote wasn’t unanimous, Oakley leadership agreed to support the jump.

“I can see both sides very well. I can’t say I’m 100 percent for it, but I’m not 100 percent against it either,” said Oakley Principal Brandi Bedke.

Josh Aston, Oakley High’s first-year head volleyball and girls basketball coach, supports the move.

“As an educator, what you want to do, and what most parents want educators to do, is to challenge their children,” said Aston. “You don’t want them to go through their school careers and not be challenged. I think that when you challenge a kid to do something, go outside their comfort zone and work a little bit harder, they will rise to that challenge.”

The decision to move Oakley to 2A was done without student input, said Bedke.

Instead, several students said they learned of the move when it was announced over the intercom, after it had received IHSA’s stamp of approval in September.

“It’s kind of annoying when the parents make the decision for you,” said Mallory Critchfield, a junior volleyball and basketball player. “For a school this size, it seems like they would ask us first, like, call an assembly or something.”

“I know a couple players who aren’t going to play because of the situation,” said sophomore volleyball and basketball player Kindra Lind. “The coaches never asked us. I wish they would have because the majority of parents and students I’ve talked to are against it.”

But should the students have a say?

“What does it matter what they think?” said track coach Mandi Cranney. “If we’re going to go that route, then let’s have a vote on which math class to take,

too. As educators, we make decisions every day in the best interest of children that children have no say in.”

## More opportunity, or more losses?

Oakley’s pending move is a numbers game. Class 1A Division I comprises schools with enrollments of 100 to 159 students. The 2A cutoff goes from 160 to 319. Oakley High’s current enrollment is 143.

Supporters of the change claim Oakley will surpass the 2A enrollment mark in the next few years. However, enrollment numbers obtained by the Times-News show, barring any unforeseen move-ins, the highest enrollment Oakley is likely to reach in the next 11 years is 150 students.

Oakley is set to compete in 2A through the 2013-14 classification cycle, after which the school would have to petition again if it wishes to remain 2A and still doesn’t meet the enrollment cutoff.

Moving to 2A will allow Oakley to field freshman teams in volleyball and basketball, thus giving more kids the opportunity to play.

“I love to win. I’d love to be successful. But really, is that the point of high school athletics?” Aston asked. “... I think we’re giving more kids the opportunity to be part of a team, to commit themselves to something bigger than themselves for the first time in their lives.”

In football, Oakley suited up 48 kids this season, which is more than future 2A Canyon Conference foes Valley (44), Glens Ferry (36) and Wendell (43). Declo had 67 players in its football program.

## Football comes First

Oakley’s petition to 2A is a football-minded move; all other sports are an afterthought.

Over the past five years, the football team has posted a 48-7 record and won two state championships.

The volleyball, girls basketball and boys basketball teams have combined to earn only four state tournament berths in the past decade.

“The hard thing is, the only sport we’ve been successful in the past few years has been football, so it’s football-driven,” said Oakley Athletic Director Matt Mallory. “There are a lot of community members and coaches who don’t like the 8-man game, so that was the big draw, football.”

Behunin said he would have never sought the 2A petition had Idaho offered 1A 11-man football, which it did until 2003.

Oakley and the rest of Class 1A already compete with the 2As in cross country, wrestling, track and golf.

“It scares me for the girls’ programs,” said Kristin Jones, who coached Oakley’s girls basketball team for 10 years and the volleyball team for eight before stepping down after last season to raise her family. “I’m not sure we can compete. We’re barely competing at the 1A level right now.”

Head boys basketball coach Tyler Matlock is bracing for the challenge. “Ultimately there’s going to be more asked of these kids than before. They’re going to amaze themselves and they’re going to amaze their parents. These kids, we believe in them. ... We’re doing this; it’s all-in.”

## Going Forward, a Town Divided

In a town with no stoplights, Clark’s is more than a grocery store situated at Oakley’s main intersection; it is a gathering place where friendly checkers know customers by name, and where talk regularly turns to the hometown Hornets.

“I’ve heard lots of yeas and lots of nays,” said Colleen Whittle, when asked about the community’s reaction to Oakley’s 2A move.

Whittle, who has worked at Clark’s for almost 20 years, has a sophomore son on the football team. She



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Oakley’s Brodie Bell is embraced after the Hornets’ Nov. 11 playoff loss to Hagerman at Oakley High School. Next fall, Oakley will ditch 8-man football, playing the 11-man game instead, as the school successfully petitioned to play all athletics against larger Class 2A schools for the next two years.

questions the competitiveness of Oakley’s non-football sports. She also shares a common concern among parents of the next two graduating classes, who lament that their kids are forced to be the “guinea pigs” in Oakley’s 2A experiment.

“I just don’t think there was enough preparation in building programs strong enough to take us to 2A,” Whittle said, adding that she respects and supports Oakley’s football coaches. “I wouldn’t object to going to 2A if there had been serious program building with 2A in mind.”

Down the street, a “Go Hornets” sign hangs in the window at Searle’s Gas Grubs and Goodies. Owner Brent Searle wears an Oakley T-shirt as he welcomes customers. While making pizzas that he’ll deliver to Oakley’s booster club, Searle fondly recalls the days when Oakley played 11-man and looks forward to getting it back.

“It’s good to have a challenge,” he said. “That’s how you grow.”

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## ‘I had hoped they would stay down’ • How Oakley’s move affects other schools

Class 2A Canyon Conference coaches are welcoming Oakley, as the Hornets’ arrival will keep their conference at five teams, even after losing Gooding returns to the 3A next fall. More teams in a conference means more meaningful regular-season games, plus more state tournament representation.

Class 1A Snake River Conference coaches are sad to see Oakley go for the same reasons.

“We don’t like to see anybody leave,” said Grace Athletic Director Richard Condie. “I had hoped that they would stay down.”

Condie has a unique vantage point on Oakley’s situation. Grace had been a 2A school until three years ago, when its numbers dipped into the 1A range. However, Grace petitioned to remain 2A for two years before re-entling.

“In hindsight, I think (petitioning up) is something that we probably wouldn’t do again,” Condie said. “We just weren’t competitive anymore in a lot of our sports, especially football, where it’s such a numbers game. The move down to 1A, and subsequently 8-man football, has helped us be competitive.”

“But (Oakley) has 45 kids on their roster, so I don’t think numbers will be a problem for them. It’s just going to be getting used to playing 11-man football

again.”

Having been there, done that, Condie is an unbiased voice of reason to the Oakley debate.

“I think they’ll be able to handle it,” he said. “The people who are for it are in a no-win situation, in the

sense that if they’re not successful right away, everybody’s going to point the finger and say, ‘See, I told you.’ ... Let those (seventh and eighth grade) kids get up into high school and then let’s make a determination after that.”

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5TH DISTRICT COURT NEWS

## TWIN FALLS COUNTY

### FELONY SENTENCINGS

**Russell Allen Bowles**, 38, Twin Falls; possession of methamphetamine, 6 years penitentiary, 2 determinate, 4 indeterminate, judge granted retained jurisdiction, sentenced to 365 days to be served at the Idaho State Board of Correction, \$1,000 fine, \$180 costs, \$500 public defender fee.

**Jose Zavala Cisneros**, 23, Twin Falls; delivery of a controlled substance (marijuana), 5 years penitentiary, 2 determinate, 3 indeterminate, 3 years probation, 45 days county jail, 120 hours community service, \$1,250 fine, \$700 suspended, \$500 public defender fee.

**Craig Jordan Quilici**, 20, Twin Falls; burglary, 7 years penitentiary, 2 determinate, 5 indeterminate, 2 years probation, 40 hours community service, \$1,000 fine, \$800 suspended, \$350 public defender fee.

**Jason Charles Marovich**, 32, Twin Falls; battery on law enforcement personnel, 5 years penitentiary, 5 determinate, judge granted retained jurisdiction, sentenced to 365 days to be served at the Idaho State Board of Correction, \$500 public defender fee.

**Dalous Kinnon Smart**, 35, Buhl; driving under the influence (third or subsequent offense), 6 years penitentiary, 3 determinate, 3 indeterminate, 4 years probation, 30 days county jail, \$2,500 fine, \$2,000 suspended, \$500 public defender fee.

**Michael Anthony Fisher Jr.**, 19, Twin Falls; attempted burglary, 5 years penitentiary, 2 determinate, 3 indeterminate, 2 years probation, 100 hours community service, \$500 public defender fee.

**Michael Dwain Pulsifer**, 47, Jerome; possession of methamphetamine, 7 years penitentiary, 3 determinate, 4 indeterminate, \$182 costs.

**Heather Elaine Carter**, 22, Hansen; fraud (issuing check without funds), 3 years penitentiary, 1 determinate, 2 indeterminate, 2 years probation, 3 days county jail, \$500 public defender fee.

**Joseph Patrick Hoffman**, 49, Kimberly; possession of methamphetamine, 5 years penitentiary, 2 determinate, 3 indeterminate, 2 years probation, 100 hours community service, \$500 public defender fee.

**Stephen Kay White**, 55, homeless; possession of methamphetamine, 5 years penitentiary, 1.5 determinate, 3.5 indeterminate.

**DRIVING UNDER THE INFLUENCE SENTENCINGS**

**Tiffany Dawn Pike**, 32, Jackpot, Nev.; driving under the influence, \$800 fine, \$400 suspended, \$182.50 costs, 90 days jail, 88 suspended, driving privileges suspended 180 days, 12 months probation.

**Benjamin Wayne Hall**, 48, Buhl; driving under the influence, \$800 fine, \$400 suspended, \$182.50 costs, 90 days jail, 88 suspended, 2 days time credited, driving privileges suspended 180 days, 12 months probation.

**Roger David Vulgamore**, 20, Buhl; driving under the influence, \$800 fine, \$500 suspended, \$182.50 costs, driving privileges suspended 365 days, 24 months probation.

**Brent Allen Wheeler**, 19, Buhl; driving under the influence, \$800 fine, \$400 suspended, \$182.50 costs, \$75 public defender fee, 90 days jail, 88 suspended, 1 day time credited, driving privileges suspended 180 days, 12 months probation.

**Judy Marie Brasil**, 22, Murtaugh; driving under the influence, \$800 fine, \$400 suspended, \$182.50 costs, 90 days jail, 88 suspended, 1 day time credited, driving privileges suspended 180 days, 12 months probation.

**CHILD SUPPORT CASES**

The State of Idaho, Department of Health and Welfare, Child Support Services has filed claims

against the following:

**David Grant Armer**, seeking establishment of child support: \$210 monthly support plus 65 percent of medical expenses not covered by insurance and 65 percent of any work-related day care expenses.

**Kenneth Charles Maxwell**, seeking establishment of support for children in foster care: \$307 monthly support plus 46 percent of medical expenses not covered by insurance.

**Emma Lena Medina**, seeking establishment of support for children in foster care: \$363 monthly support plus 54 percent of medical expenses not covered by insurance.

**Cameron Owen Jacobs**, seeking establishment of child support and Medicaid reimbursement: \$349 monthly support plus 59 percent of medical expenses not covered by insurance, 59 percent of any work-related day care expenses and \$6,436.92 in Medicaid reimbursement for birth costs.

**Sara Renae Puga**, seeking establishment of child support: \$326 monthly support plus 44 percent of medical expenses not covered by insurance and 44 percent of any work-related day care expenses.

**Jorge Armando Sosa**, seeking establishment of child support: \$255 monthly support plus 58 percent of medical expenses not covered by insurance and 58 percent of any work-related day care expenses.

**DIVORCES FILED**

Shannon Homer vs. Ethan Homer.

Shawna Barnett vs. Jeremy Barnett.

Jeffery Greg Miller vs. Jenny Ann Miller.

Mary Gloria Nevarez vs. Roland F. Nevarez.

Sandra Williams vs. Joshua Jeremiah Williams.

Enrique Muro Flores vs. Pamela Muro.

Arturo Barboza vs. Teresa Luker Barboza.

Lisa Ann Bland vs. Alan Lynn Bland.

Misty Rae-Lyn Bailey vs. Andre Demetrius Bailey.

Ann Marie Droulard vs. Travis Earl Droulard.

Vincent Lee Kessler vs. Tiffany Kessler.

Brianne Marie Veenendaal vs. Tyler Jon Veenendaal.

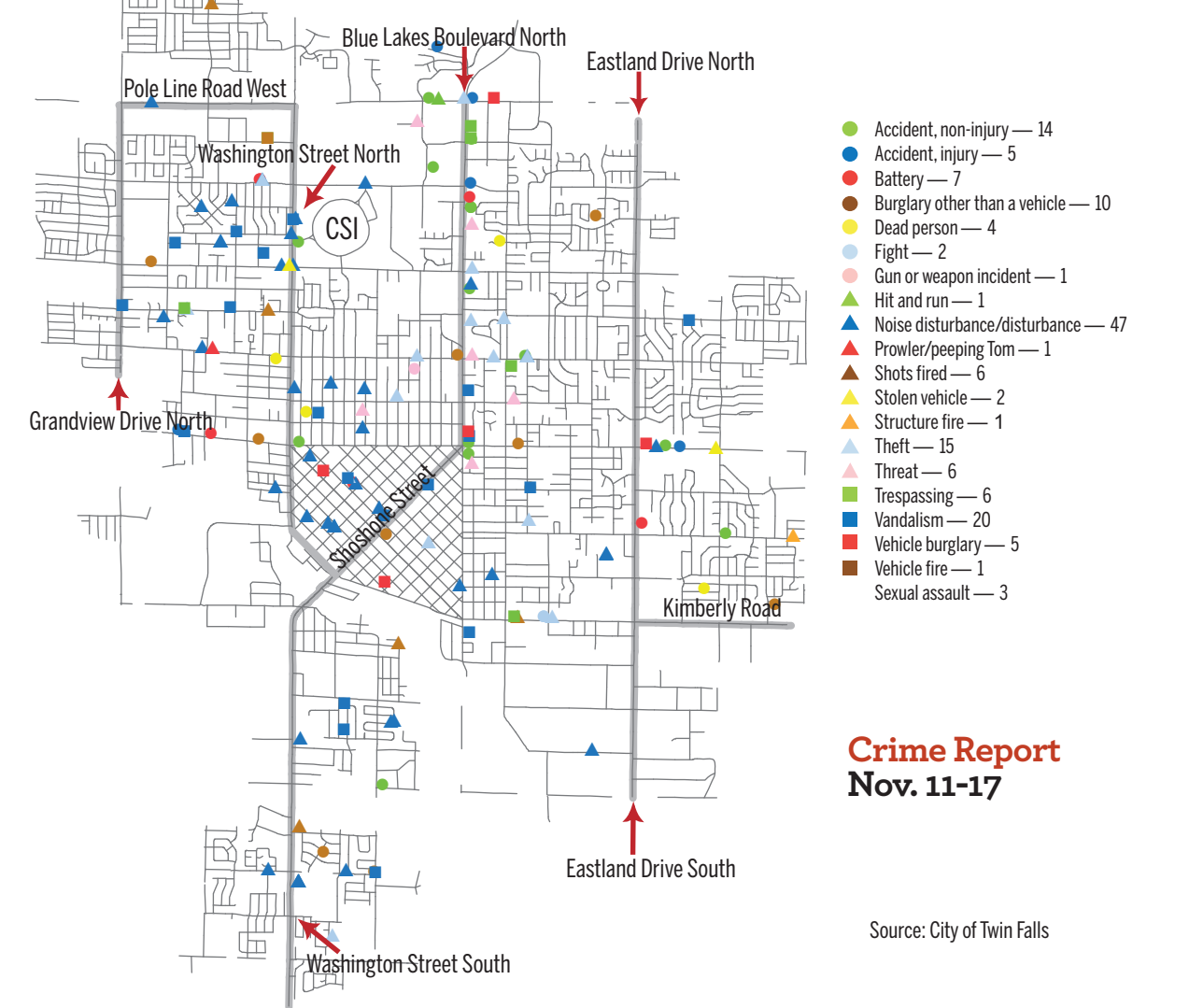
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**DRIVING UNDER THE INFLUENCE SENTENCINGS**

**Holly Lee Kent**, 43, Eden; driving under the influence, \$800 fine, \$400 suspended, \$182.50 costs, 90 days jail, 88 suspended, 2 days time credited, driving privileges suspended 180 days, 12 months probation.

**Kevin Stewart Mecham**, 24, Twin Falls; driving under the influence, \$800 fine, \$400 suspended, \$182.50 costs, 180 days jail, 178 suspended, 1 day time credited, driving privileges suspended 180 days, 12 months probation.

**Cody Allan Martinez**, 23, Twin Falls; driving under the influence, \$1,000 fine, \$500 suspended, \$182.50 costs, \$75 public defender



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Abbie Kraft, center, 14, holds her rabbit, Darth Vader, while children from the College of Southern Idaho Northside Head Start/Early Head Start program look at animals during the Alltech Kidzone Day Friday in Jerome.

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# FOREST SERVICE TO REDO SALMON-CHALLIS TRAVEL PLAN

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**KETCHUM** • A federal judge has ordered the U.S. Forest Service to develop a revised environmental impact statement concerning motorized vehicles on hundreds of miles of trails in the backcountry of the Salmon-Challis National Forest.

The Idaho Mountain Express reports that U.S. Magistrate Ronald E. Bush last week ruled that the federal agency failed to show it had fully considered the use of ATVs and other off-highway vehicles on routes of less than a half mile in recommended wilderness and roadless areas.

Bush said that failure by the Forest Service in creating its 2009 travel plan for the Salmon-Challis National Forest violated federal law by not taking into account the National Environmental Policy Act.

Bush gave the Forest Ser-

vice until Aug. 31 to develop the new environmental impact statement.

The decision follows a lawsuit by the Idaho Conservation League seeking greater restrictions on motorized travel in the forest that covers 4.3 million acres and includes the Frank

Church-River of No Return wilderness.

In previous court action, the court put in place an injunction earlier this month that temporarily closed trail access to six trails, totaling almost 15 miles.

In February, Bush ruled that the Forest Service had ignored evidence showing significant damage to trails and the landscape from off-road vehicles when it crafted its 2009 plan.

## SW Idaho Man Arrested after Molestation Complaint

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**BOISE** • A 67-year-old southwest Idaho man who police say had inappropriate contact with two elementary-aged girls at his home has been arrested on suspicion of lewd conduct and sex abuse of a minor.

The Ada County Sheriff's Office says Michael James Angus of Star was taken into custody Friday and was being held in the Ada County Jail on \$1 million bond.

Police say they began investigating after receiving a report last week about inappropriate contact that occurred in late October. Police say they found a second elementary-aged girl who they say was touched inappropriately by Angus for up to about a year and a half.

Police say Angus had access to many young children on many occasions in both supervised and unsupervised settings.

## Army Reserve Unit Returning to Boise

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**BOISE** • About 100 U.S. Army Reserve soldiers are scheduled to return to Boise's Gowen Field at 9 a.m. Saturday.

The soldiers are in the 391st Engineer Company, part of the 321st Engineering Battalion. About 90 members of the 391st Engineer Co. are from Idaho and the rest from other states.

The soldiers spent a year-long deployment in Iraq, specializing in detecting and neutralizing explosive hazards along routes used by U.S. and Iraqi forces.

COMING UP

**Green Bean Casserole Again?**

Reporter Melissa Davlin talks to families about why they cook what they cook on Thanksgiving.

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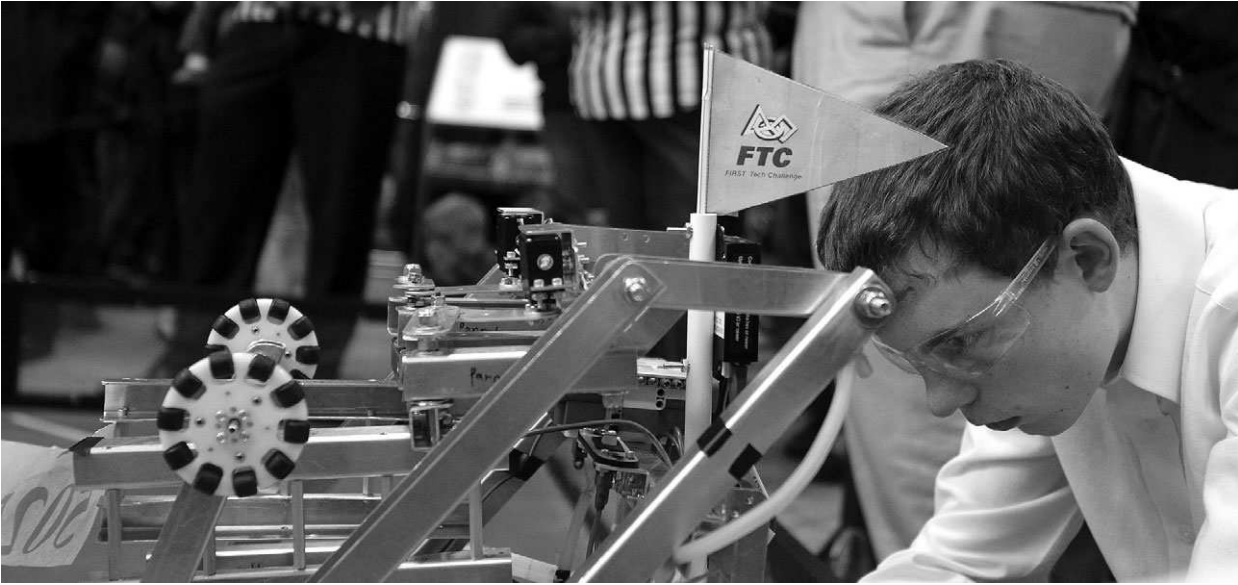
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Zachary Baumgardner, 15, does a final systems check before scrimmaging other robots with his team at Magic Valley Mall Saturday afternoon in Twin Falls.

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# Battle of the Minds and ‘Bots

BY KIMBERLY WILLIAMS-BRACKETT  
For the Times-News

The robotics club of 30 students from Canyon Ridge, Twin Falls, Kimberly and Valley high schools scrimmaged their robots Saturday near JCPenney’s at Magic Valley Mall.

“We’re growing Magic Valley engineers through robotics,” said Jay Sneddon, the main mentor of the Twin Falls Robotics Explorer Post 411 club.

The object is to design and build robots robust enough to push a bowling ball uphill, yet sophisticated enough to pick up racquetballs and place them into crates, and then stack the crates to score points. The final 30-seconds of the driver-controlled period is called the end game, where each alliance, consisting of two opposing teams, is challenged to push their bowling ball into their protected “home zones” with a platform and a ramp.

Students program their robots to operate in both autonomous and driver-controlled modes using a combination of motors, controllers, wireless communications, metal gears

and sensors, including infrared tracking and magnet seeking.

Explorer Post 411 was organized to provide hands-on science and engineering opportunities to high school students in the Magic Valley.

The club is under the umbrella of Twin Falls School District; 4-H; and Learning for Life, a subsidiary of the Boy Scouts of America.

Scout Executive and CEO for the Snake River Council Paul Tikalsky Jr. said the exploring post is a commitment to connect youth to afterschool opportunities in science, technology, engineering and math.

“The local Boy Scouts of America approached us with a bigger organizational plan that would help us recruit larger numbers of participants, both boys and girls,” said Jay Sneddon.

Mark Sneddon, president of the club, is a senior. He was one of six boys to organize a FIRST (For Inspiration and Recognition of Science and Technology) Tech Challenge team that finished sixth out of 22 teams in the 2011 Idaho FTC Championships.

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Regional high school robotic clubs scrimmage the robots they built and programmed at Magic Valley Mall Saturday in Twin Falls.

build self-confidence, knowledge and life skills while motivating young people to pursue opportunities in science, technology, and engineering.

Twin Falls High School teacher Dick Wilkin said the huge commitment will qualify the teams for bigger competitions, culminating at the FIRST Championship, April 25-28, 2012, in St. Louis, Mo.

The team was awarded one of 20 JCPenney \$10,000 grants, being the first rural robotics program ever awarded. “In the past, those awards have gone to teams in California or the east coast, but never to Ida-

ho,” Jay Sneddon said.

He said post members become eligible for over \$15 million in scholarships by many corporations, universities and private donors by participating in a FIRST-sponsored robotics tournament.

American students rank 17th in science and 25th in math, he said.

Jobs are going unfilled, and educators and industry leaders are worried about the future of science, technology, engineering and math fields.

“We’re trying to change the economy here in the Magic Valley,” Jay Sneddon said.

# Firefighters Ramp Up Community Service

BY CAMERON RASMUSSEN  
Bonner County Daily Bee

**SANDPOINT** • Jerad Addison and other volunteer firefighters decided to ramp up their community service efforts by spreading a little warmth on Friday.

When one of the volunteers learned that his place of work had more wood than it needed, the crew decided to find some residents that could put the fuel to good use.

“The volunteers are trying to do anything we can to make a forward push and help the community any way we can,” Addison said.

Addison contacted Love, Inc. to see which households could use a firewood supply boost. Nonprofit associates recommended three community members for the delivery.

At the beginning of the week, the firefighters secured the wood and prepared it for the recipients. Luckily, Sun Rental donated the use of a wood splitter — a gesture that significantly expedited the process. Addison Enterprises also loaned a trailer for the cause. Alto-

gether, the crew stacked about four cords of wood in the trailer for delivery.

Addison said he expected snow to hit the area later in the week. What he didn’t expect was the ferocity of the Friday snowstorm. With harsh winds and growing snow banks par for the course, a group of volunteer and professional firefighters left the station at about 4 p.m. to make the deliveries. Within an hour and a half, three local homes were freshly stocked with stacks of furnace fuel.

According to Addison, this is only one of several initiatives the volunteers aim to spearhead in the future. He expects they’ll undertake more food and blood drives and increase community engagement.

“Next summer, we’re thinking we’ll take an engine down to the beach and let the kids play around,” he said.

They are also raising money for a discretionary fund that fire captains can use to meet a community need the moment they identify it.

“So for example, if the captain sees a kid without shoes, he can buy him a pair,” Addison said.

# Money laundering Nets 40 Months

POST REGISTER

An Idaho Falls man received a 40-month prison sentence Friday for money laundering.

Joseph Monte Johnson, 46, was sentenced in U.S. District Court for conspiracy to launder monetary instruments, U.S. Attorney Wendy J. Olson said in a news release.

In addition to the prison term, Chief U.S. District Judge B. Lynn Winmill ordered Johnson to serve three years of supervised release and pay \$6,000 in fines.

Johnson pleaded guilty to the money laundering charge Aug. 25 as part of a plea agreement. He had been employed at West Coast Car Co. as the finance manager.

In July 2008, Johnson and others agreed to sell to two individuals, believed to

be Miami drug dealers, a Jeep Cherokee and Mercedes for \$55,000 in cash, according to a news release from the U.S. Attorney’s Office in Boise.

West Coast Car Co. was a used-car dealership with two locations in Boise. Prior to that, West Coast Car Company had done business under the name Auto Mall Outlet.

The men agreed not to use the buyers’ real names on any sales forms, and agreed not to file IRS Form 8300, a transaction report form for cash transactions in excess of \$10,000. The IRS requires the trade or business to file the form within 15 days of the cash transaction and verify the buyer’s identity.

The buyers returned to West Coast Car Co. in January 2009 to do a second deal, according to the plea agreement.

# E. IDAHO OFFICIALS DISCUSS SUPERFUND SITE OPTIONS

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**POCATELLO** • Officials with the Environmental Protection Agency have been holding informational meetings in eastern Idaho concerning how to deal with a Superfund site at a former phosphorous pro-

duction plant.

Philadelphia-based FMC Corp. operated a phosphorous production plant from 1949 to 2001 on the Eastern Michaud Flats area west of Pocatello, on the Shoshone-Bannock Indian Reservation.

# Gambling Measure Concerns Tribe

BY ALECIA WARREN  
Coeur d’Alene Press

The Coeur d’Alene Tribe is wary as Congress reconsiders the federal ban on online gambling, which the Tribe fears could threaten its casino revenue that fuels much of its government operations.

“It’s something that we believe really jeopardizes our livelihood here,” said Helo Hancock, tribal spokesperson.

The Tribe isn’t opposed to the idea of allowing Internet gambling operations, which the federal government banned in 2006 and is now rethinking as a possible means to bring in more revenue.

But current bills in the House, like others proposed in years past, Hancock said, include provisions that could threaten tribal income.

“Them don’t seem to accomplish what would respect the Tribe’s sovereignty, the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act and the current regulations that are in place,” he said.

Specifically, the Tribe is worried by a measure that would tax revenue on all online gaming, without exceptions for tribes.

Currently, tribes’ gaming revenue isn’t taxed by the federal government, under the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act.

“That’s because their function is tribal government, and revenue is used to fund myriad projects and departments,” Hancock said.

Like the Coeur d’Alene Lake Management Plan, he said, that “benefits everybody.”

So taxing gambling revenue would deprive the Tribe of a portion of income it relies heavily upon, Hancock said.

It could also mean the loss of some of the 2,000 jobs

between the Coeur d’Alene Casino in Worley and the tribal government, he said.

“Right now, these bills are set up with the commercial gaming industry in mind,” said Hancock. “Tribal gaming is so much different than Harrah’s or the MGM Grand. Their profits go to a select few shareholders. Our funds go to fund an entire population.”

Although the Tribe prefers not to disclose how much the casino brings in, Hancock said about 60 percent of revenue goes to fund tribal government operations.

Online gaming has a ways to go to become legal.

A House committee approved a bill this week that would legalize online poker and nonsports betting. A companion measure pending in committee would allow online gambling operations to be taxed.

There’s no saying the life those will see, said Kyle Hines, spokesman for Sen. Jim Risch.

“What comes out of the House and ends up in the Senate are two different things,” he said.

The measures are motivated by hopes to ease the country’s economic issue, Hines noted.

“Online gaming has been around for the last 10 years. It’ll come up and then go away, come up and go away,” he said of legislative proposals. “This time it seems to be attributed as a way for the Congressional government to raise revenue.”

Risch believes cutting spending, not increasing revenue, is the way to end the country’s problems, Hines noted.

And the senator is dubious of online gaming overall, Hines added.

“It gets to be a complex issue,” he said. “You’ve got tribal rights issues and state rights issues.”




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# N. IDAHO JUDGE DECLINES TO DISMISS MURDER CHARGE

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**LEWISTON** • A former Nez Perce County Sheriff's deputy accused of strangling his ex-wife said a first-degree murder charge he faces should be dismissed because his former wife died as a result of engaging in a dangerous sex practice called autoerotic asphyxiation.

Second District Judge Michael J. Griffin on Friday rejected the request by Joseph Thomas Jr., 38, but also left open the possibility that such a defense could be used in a trial.

Thomas is charged with first-degree murder in the death of Beth Irby-Thomas, 28, who was found May 1 in her Lewiston home with a belt cinched around her neck.

Attorneys for Thomas filed a motion earlier this week stating he planned to

give up his right to remain silent and testify that he and his former wife engaged in autoerotic asphyxiation, and that he observed his former wife engaging in the practice alone.

"Any evidence of Beth Irby-Thomas' prior sexual activities is irrelevant unless evidence is admitted at trial which would show that it is more probable than not that Beth Irby-Thomas was engaged in some form of autoerotic asphyxia immediately prior to her death," Griffin said in a written order Friday, the Lewiston Tribune reported.

"If such evidence is admitted, then the defendant may offer evidence regarding autoerotic asphyxia. A hearing will be held out of the presence of the jury before evidence of specific acts is offered to determine

its relevance."

Nez Perce County Prosecutor Daniel Spickler said the defense move "is just another backdoor attempt to get into this sex nonsense."

He also asked Griffin to be alert for wording that shouldn't be included in unbiased expert testimony, in particular a reference to "wanton sexual activities of the decedent."

The trial is scheduled to start Dec. 5 and is expected to take at least two weeks.

In previous court proceedings, Thomas' friend, Guy Arnzen, testified that on the night of Irby-Thomas' death, Thomas came over to his house and "told me that he killed Beth." Arnzen said he called 911, and officers said they found Irby-Thomas in her house.

Thomas is being held on \$1 million bail.

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From front left, Twin Falls Public Library Foundation Board Member Gale Kleinkopf, Fred Meyer Store Director Jody Buist, Foundation Executive Director Diane Van Engelen, and Board Members Cathy King, Carol Tombre and John Beer. Back, Board Member Bill Baxter.

T.F. Library Foundation Receives Grant From Fred Meyer

The Twin Falls Public Library Foundation recently received a \$20,000 grant from the Fred Meyer Fund to pay for new items and events for the Twin Falls Public Library.

“The Fred Meyer Fund was particularly impressed by the successful track record of the Twin Falls Public Library Foundation and its programs,” said Glynda Brockhoff, philanthropy coordinator for Fred Meyer stores and the Fred Meyer Fund.

The Fred Meyer Fund assists nonprofit organizations dedicated to helping children and reducing hunger in communities served by 131 Fred Meyer stores in Oregon, Washington, Alaska, and Idaho.

The Fred Meyer Fund has awarded grants totaling more than \$14 million since 1998. Information: 800-858-9202, ext. 5605.



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From left, Kelly Von Hook, Owner Tammy Boring, Owner, Heidi Sanderson and Stephine Erickson cut the red ribbon at Happy Landing Restaurant & Pub at the Twin Falls Airport. Owner Mark Boring is in the second row, along with Twin Falls Area Chamber of Commerce ambassadors.

Happy Landing Cuts the Red Ribbon

Happy Landing Restaurant & Pub, inside Joslin Field, Magic Valley Airport, recently held a red ribbon cutting.

Happy Landing has food and drinks served in a casual dining atmosphere with a friendly and service-oriented staff.

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Abrey Watterson and Owen Watterson, owners of Abrey Adams Photography, cut the red ribbon with assistant Rena Kelsey and family members.

Abrey Adams Photography Opens New Location

Abrey Adams Photography recently moved to a new location at 1384 Overland Ave. in Burley and held a ribbon cutting sponsored by the Mini-Cassia Chamber of Commerce ambassadors.

The business celebrated its three-year anniversary.

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CAROLYN COLE • LOS ANGELES TIMES

Pedestrians pass outside of the Amalgamated Bank at 52 Broadway in lower Manhattan, New York City, Thursday. Amalgamated Bank is a union-owned bank founded in 1923. It supports the Occupy Wall Street movement.

Occupy Wall Street Activists Check Anger at Bank’s Door

BY NATHANIEL POPPER  
Los Angeles Times

**NEW YORK** • The Occupy Wall Street movement has led many banks to hire extra security. Manhattan’s Amalgamated Bank has rolled out the red carpet.

The bank, owned by the Workers United labor union, has emerged as the unofficial financial institution of the anti-Wall Street movement.

Even people who hate banks, it seems, need a bank.

“It was quite obvious we were not going to open a Bank of America account,” said Wylie Stecklow, who serves on Occupy Wall Street’s finance committee. “But we had to deal with banks if we were going to process funds.”

Amalgamated is where the Occupy Wall Street movement has about \$326,000 in donations deposited, or about two-thirds of the total raised by

the New York arm of the movement, according to its finance committee. When things have heated up, as they did when protesters were temporarily evicted early this week, the bank has provided support, including storage space, conference rooms and advice.

But even banks trying to change the world get drawn into the less attractive corners of Wall Street. Amalgamated made some controversial investments in California subprime mortgages and recently gave a 40 percent ownership stake to some of the same private equity titans that Occupy Wall Street has been protesting against.

“First and foremost the bank has to be a bank, and has to be and should be a successful bank,” said the bank’s chairman, Noel Beasley, who is also the head of the Workers United union.

Ed Grebow, the bank’s chief executive, is a former private equity manager himself, coming to the bank from J.C. Flowers & Co., a global private equity

firm run by billionaire investment banker Chris Flowers.

More recently, though, Grebow has been on the streets of New York protesting during marches aimed at denouncing the banking industry.

“I’m trying to show personally that you can be a bank, but also be supportive of progressive values,” said Grebow, whose corner office in midtown Manhattan that is sparsely decorated with old union trinkets.

The tension between upholding progressive ideals and operating in a world mesmerized by money has been a growing issue for Occupy Wall Street. It has come up in the movement’s incongruous effort to trademark its name, and in debates about accepting donations from business leaders.

In California, the Oakland, Calif., encampment confronted the contradictions when it begrudgingly deposited \$20,000 in a mega bank —

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GARY REYES • SAN JOSE MERCURY NEWS

Flor Morales hold scarves for an outdoor display as she opens the Inkza Handcrafts shop on Mission Street in San Francisco, California, on November 2. The shop is one of dozens in the Mission District that have been able to improve their stores through small business loans from the Opportunity Fund. The Opportunity Fund is a non-profit lender designed to help small-business owners who need loans, but don’t often qualify for conventional bank loans or can’t borrow on credit cards.

Microloans Give Small Businesses Room to Grow

BY PATRICK MAY  
San Jose Mercury News

**SAN JOSE, Calif.** • When Caitlin McShane looks down San Francisco’s Mission Street, she doesn’t see taco joints and bodegas bulging with ripe fruit. She sees sharks.

“Look over there \_ payday loans,” says the spokeswoman for San Jose-based Opportunity Fund, a San Francisco Bay Area-based microlending nonprofit that helps small businesses get off the ground or expand. “And there’s a check-cashing place on the corner. There’s a pawnbroker, a loan office, and another payday loan place. People are getting into debt to loan sharks and even pawning their things to keep their businesses from going under. It’s a mess, and this is what we’re competing against.”

Sixteen years after making its first loan of \$17,000 to San Jose’s Treasure Chest Aquarium, Opportunity Fund has become the country’s third-largest microlender and a star player in the

burgeoning realm of microfinance. And while microloans are more often associated with helping goat farmers in Uganda than food trucks in Oakland, they’ve become an increasingly popular method of alternative financing for small businesses, many of them struggling beneath the crushing weight of the Great Recession.

“The growth rate of microfinance around the world is astounding, growing faster than worldwide Internet usage,” said Sean Foote, a venture capitalist who teaches a course on the subject at the University of California-Berkeley’s Haas School of Business. “Here in the U.S., it’s a relatively new trend, but with 25 million ‘unranked’ people without access to credit, there’s a huge market out there and the role of microlenders will continue to expand.”

Manuel Godino, a 47-year-old chef from Buenos Aires who came to the United States after Argentina’s currency crisis in 2001, is a beneficiary of the

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Idaho Cattlemen Tackle Beef Consumption Declines

**A 15-pound drop in per-capita beef consumption is cause for concern for Idaho’s cattlemen, even with current high prices.**

BY CINDY SNYDER  
For the Times-News

**SUN VALLEY** • Nearly 20 years since beef became “what’s for dinner” the red meat has become a rarer find on many consumers’ plates.

Per-capita beef consumption has dropped nearly 15 pounds in the U.S. since 2000, as the U.S. Department of Agriculture expects the average American to eat 57.6 pounds of beef this year. Pair a drop in consumption with the rising price of cattle feed, and you don’t get a rosy picture for Idaho’s cattlemen.

But John Nalivka, owner of Sterling Marketing in Vale, Ore., told Idaho Cattle Association members at their recent annual conference in Sun Valley that a 27 percent increase in beef exports is pushing prices higher.

“We’ve seen record retail beef prices this year,” he said. “Almost every month of the year we’ve seen higher prices.”

Strong retail prices have given packers the confidence to bid strongly for fed cattle, which gives feedlots more confidence in bidding up feeder cattle prices and backgrounders to pay more for calves. But, Nalivka said, that flow of confidence begins with consumer demand. And that has many in the industry concerned.

Nutritional concerns about cholesterol in beef make up the top barrier to

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increasing beef consumption, said Traci O'Donnell, executive director of the Idaho Beef Council.

A 2010 study by the International Food Information Council found that nearly half of Americans are trying to consume more high-quality protein in their diet. But a study done in the same year by Porter Novelli found that 16.9 percent were trying to reduce their red meat consumption, up from just 6.8 percent in 2008.

"There's a dichotomy," O'Donnell said. "People want to eat more protein, but they don't think beef is healthy. To build beef demand we need people to feel better about eating beef."

And what could make people feel better about eating beef than finding an athlete to promote beef? The Idaho Beef Council actually identified about 1,800 athletes to help the council promote beef within the state by sponsoring the Boise Ironman 70.3 Triathlon. The tie-in proved so successful that other state beef council's began sponsoring marathons, half-marathons and triathlons.

That led the National Cattlemen's Beef Association to choose Dan Rauschenberg, an extreme runner who in 2006 ran 52 marathons in 52 consecutive weeks, as a spokesman.

While enduring a solo run of the American Odyssey Relay, a 202-mile run usually split between a 12-person team, Rauschenberg tweeted how much he would like a steak. He assumed he'd be inundated by comments from vegans and others who don't eat beef, but said he has been pleasantly surprised by all the silent beef lovers he's found.

"There are so many people out there that want to eat beef," Rauschenberg said during the ICA convention. "Not even lovers of beef realize how unbelievably healthy beef is."

That's a message beef producers hope more Americans — not just

# Small Businesses Still Find Big Banks to be Reluctant Lenders

BY ALANA SEMUELS

Los Angeles Times

**LOS ANGELES** • The TV commercials are heartwarming — Richard and Gloria Pink, sitting in their busy hot-dog stand on Los Angeles' La Brea Avenue, remember how Bank of America gave Richard's parents the loan that helped them build their wiener business more than 50 years ago.

In the ad, Bank of America says it helps small businesses grow by giving them loans.

The ad is one of many by the country's biggest banks touting their lending records in recent months, but the reality has proved much different for business owners such as Paul Boettcher, who co-owns five Los Angeles-area restaurants, including Busby's East and West, the Sagebrush Cantina and Ye Olde King's Head.

Boettcher said that in the past few years he has applied for loans from dozens of banks he's done business with in the past in hopes of opening three more restau-

rants. With real estate values depressed, he said it's a great time to buy closed restaurants on the cheap. Real estate has plummeted in value, so he can buy up bankrupt places for cheap and turn them around.

But the big banks didn't look twice at his loan documents before turning him down, said Boettcher, who has never managed a restaurant that failed.

"The smaller banks are the only ones who will even entertain the idea," said Boettcher, a slim man with Clark Kent-style glasses and a graying soul patch.

Economists have put forth many reasons the nation's economy isn't creating many jobs. They say that businesses aren't hiring because there's not enough consumer demand, because jobs have been outsourced, because regulations or "uncertainty" are killing businesses' interest in expanding.

But business owners such as Boettcher say they're not hiring for another reason: They can't get the money to expand. The very same banks that had

loose lending practices before the recession are now too hesitant to lend.

"Banks are more comfortable making loans to large corporations, but many are flush with cash and may not need to borrow," said Bernard Baumohl, chief global economist of the Economic Outlook Group. "Small businesses are the ones having the most difficulty."

That doesn't bode well for the growth of an economy in which private-sector employers play an increasingly important role as governments continue to slash payrolls. Small businesses, those with fewer than 500 people, employ half of all private-sector employees.

Loans to small businesses totaled \$607 billion in the three months that ended June 30, down from \$609 billion the preceding three months, according to data from the Small Business Administration. In Los Angeles, banks have made 2,477 loans to small businesses so far this year; in all of 2007, they made 6,194 loans.

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trend. After running his nascent empanada business out of rented kitchens, Godino got a \$45,000 loan at 7.5 percent interest from Opportunity Fund, opened a small restaurant this summer on Valencia Street in San Francisco, and has already hired eight full- and part-time employees.

"I looked all over for someone to give me money, but I had no credit," he said, cranking out dozens of steaming empanadas for his lunchtime faithful. "I was able to show the lender that even though I had no credit, there was a big demand for my product. I could never have done this or hired these workers if I hadn't gotten that loan."

He's got a lot of colorful company. Local microloans

have helped a robot startup, a cupcake vendor, San Jose dry cleaners converting their operations to green businesses, and even a hair salon that becomes an art gallery by night.

Along with so-called peer-to-peer lending sites like Prosper, and other startups that connect individual lenders with borrowers online, microlenders are a compelling piece of a parallel banking system supporting the self-employed and others with little or no access to traditional banking services.

With funding from foundations, individual donors and banks themselves, microlenders have been able to help thousands of aspiring business owners who otherwise would be shut out from getting seed money or forced to take out high-interest loans. Rob Garcia, formerly head of peer-to-

peer lending network Lending Club, says a main reason people have trouble going the traditional route is that banks see small loans as a hassle.

"Imagine a large bank having to spend all those resources managing thousands of these different small loans," he said. "These big banks are looking to give a million or two or three. So if you have a food truck or a small alteration shop working out of your garage, you have to try other options."

Garcia says these alternative forms of financing often have a do-good element built in, so individual lenders can "do something right for people who need the money but are unranked or under-banked." That's industry lingo for an entire subculture of Americans with either no credit history, bad credit or a lack of financial literacy.

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Wells Fargo & Co. — while it waited for a credit union account to open.

But these tensions are brought into particular focus at Amalgamated. Founded by the Amalgamated Clothing Workers of America in 1923, the bank has a long history of trying to bridge the chasm between capitalism and labor.

In the early days, the bank existed to provide services to immigrant workers whom other banks avoided. Amalgamated has continued to

cater to those customers, with things such as free checking accounts and branches in working-class neighborhoods.

The bank has grown to 27 retail branches focused mostly in New York, with other locations in Pasadena, Calif.; Las Vegas; and Washington.

But along the way, the bank has also added some of the more complex financial products that have gotten other banks into trouble — including a commercial loan division and a relatively new unit focused on making private equity investments.

Grebrow says with each of

the bank's operations there is a careful effort to only support projects that its union partners would agree with.

"We talk a lot about what we need to do to be a bank that has good business practices," he said.

When the protesters on Occupy Wall Street's finance committee journeyed to meet Grebrow at the bank's midtown headquarters, they liked what they saw.

"He's a very regular dude," said Pete Dutro, who is one of the members of the committee that is handling the movement's money.

But even Grebrow acknowledges that it has not al-

ways been a smooth ride.

The thirst for profit led the labor-backed bank, like many conventional institutions, to invest in the doomed subprime mortgage market. It bought \$212 million worth of high-risk mortgage loans issued by Countrywide Financial Corp., which imploded and nearly failed during the financial crisis before being bought by Bank of America Corp.

That not only proved to be a toxic investment, but it also put Amalgamated in a tricky situation in which it owns mortgages that are being foreclosed on by Bank of America.

## YOUR BUSINESS



COURTESY PHOTO

From left, Reinke Manufacturing Inc. President Chris Roth, Leslie Garner and Skip Hylton of Rain for Rent, and Reinke Northwest Territory Manager Kermit Cochran.

## Reinke Honors Rain for Rent of Paul

Reinke Manufacturing, Inc., a manufacturer of mechanized irrigation systems, announced that Paul-based Rain for Rent has received a Gold Reinke Pride award in recognition of the company's 2010-2011 marketing year success.

The dealership, located at 134 S. 600 W. in Paul, was honored during Reinke's recent annual convention held October in Branson, Mo.

Reinke dealerships from across the U.S. and Canada gather each year to attend the company's convention. The awards ceremony recognizes select Reinke dealerships for their hard work and dedication to sales and marketing throughout the past year.



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Linda Roundtree, owner, cuts the red ribbon with her professional technicians.

## Hair Tech Opens New Location

Hair Tech, located at 1139 Addison Ave. in Twin Falls, recently cut the red ribbon at its new location.

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## OBITUARIES

## Dewey Rudolph 'Rudy' Williamson

May 11, 1918-Nov. 16, 2011

Dewey Rudolph "Rudy" Williamson, 93, of Twin Falls, passed away Wednesday, Nov. 16, 2011, at his home with his loving wife, Marie, by his side.



Rudy was born May 11, 1918, in Elba, Ala., the son and ninth child of Joseph and Maggie (Mack) Williamson. When Rudy was just a small boy the family moved from Elba to Bonifay, Fla. There he grew up, attended schools and graduated from high school in 1936.

As a young man, he suffered from an injury that he felt sure would keep him from the military. However, in February 1942, he was drafted into the United States Air Force and was sent to Basic Training in Wendover, Utah. From there, he was stationed in Mountain Home, Idaho, with Headquarters Detachment of the 470th Bomb Squad. He achieved the rank of master sergeant. On June 10, 1944, Rudy married Marie Bower in Twin Falls, Idaho. To this union were born two children, Sandra Jo and Dewey.

After Rudy was honorably discharged in 1945, they stayed in Tonopah. Then in early 1946, the family moved to Twin Falls, Idaho, where they have lived for the past 65 years. Rudy was dedicated to his family, and although he was not a member, he has for the past 67 years faithfully attended the Seventh Day Adventist Church with Marie. He realized the value of church school and Christian education.

Rudy worked for Banner Furniture, Sears and then served 26 years at Cain's Home Furnishings as Elvis' right hand. He retired after 26 years at the age of 65. Rudy was an extremely talented guitar picker and he started the idea circulating of having a Country Music Association in the Magic Valley. He became one of the Originators of the Country Music Jamboree. When that faded, he continued to dance and play for the senior centers in Twin Falls and Jerome, Spanbauer's Barn and The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints dances. He also played and sat in many different country bands in the Magic Valley.

Rudy was very active in the Twin Falls Monarch Lion's Club and was a charter member. He worked at the

Buzz Langdon Visitor Center as an ambassador for Twin Falls, and was a regular at the Twin Falls Burger Stop. In his last years, macular degeneration had set in and he was no longer able to drive. But knowing how much he enjoyed his daily trip to the Burger Stop, his very good friend, Gary Tetz stepped in. Gary made it a point of going every morning, picking Rudy up and taking him to the Burger Stop. Then they would do whatever errands needed done and they would spend hours together driving and talking. Gary filled a very special place in Rudy's life that no one else could fill and his family wants him to know that they are extremely grateful for his love and kindness.

Rudy was a one of a kind and he will be missed by all who knew and loved him.

Surviving Rudy is his loving wife of 67 years, Marie (Bower) Williamson of Twin Falls; daughter, Sandra Jo Williamson of Loma Linda, Calif.; son, Dewey (Phyllis) Williamson of Twin Falls, Idaho; grandson, Dewey Williamson Jr. of Twin Falls, Idaho; his brother, Boyce Williamson of Boise, Idaho; and much extended family. He was preceded in death by his parents and his eight other siblings.

The funeral service for Rudy will be held at 11 a.m. Tuesday, Nov. 22, at Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Road in Twin Falls, Idaho, with Pastor Dwayne Kluchsky officiating. Visitation for Rudy will be held from 5 to 7 p.m. Monday, Nov. 21, at the funeral home. Interment will be held following the service at Sunset Memorial Park Cemetery in Twin Falls.

The family would like to express their thanks to Dr. Aaron Brown and Hospice Visions for their loving care of Rudy and Marie during these last few weeks of his illness. In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be made to the Hilltop Seventh Day Adventist School, in care of the Seventh Day Adventist Church, 131 Grandview Drive, Twin Falls, ID 83301.

For those wishing to share memories and condolences, please do so at [www.magicvalleyfuneralhome.com](http://www.magicvalleyfuneralhome.com).



## Mary Anna Ball

Jan. 22, 1920-Nov. 16, 2011

**HANSEN** • Mary Anna Ball, 91, of Hansen, Idaho, passed away late Wednesday evening, Nov. 16, 2011, at the Alpine Manor II in Kimberly.

Mary Anna was born Jan. 22, 1920, in Nampa, Idaho, the daughter of Fay and Vivian Geneve Shohoney Frahm. On Nov. 19, 1940, Mary Anna married Vernon Ball on the family farm in Hansen, and together they had three children, Linda, Vicki and Debra.

Mary Anna and Vernon traveled extensively because Vernon was serving in the U.S. Navy. Following his retirement from the U.S. Navy after 20 years of service, they settled in Hansen and farmed.

Mary Anna was active in many clubs and church activities. She was talented in painting, crocheting, embroidery and cake decorating.

Mary Anna is survived by her three daughters, Linda Crockett of Hansen, Vicki Gunter of Hansen and Debra (Bill) Bradley of Pine. She is also survived by her grandchildren, Mitch (Ann) Crockett, Callie (Beau) Kidd, Tawna Gunter (Sib Ramirez), Joshua Glauner and Ashley (Brian) DuBois; as well as her great-grandchildren, Britanny, Natalie, Ty, Saige, Autumn, Alexis, Kylie, Hailee, Corbin, Mason and Parker; and her great-great-grandchildren, Ava and Emily. She was preceded in death by her husband, Vernon, in 1992;



her parents, Geneve and Fay Frahm; and a granddaughter, Stacey.

The family would like to thank Alpine Manor II and Guardian Hospice for the loving care that was given to our mother.

A celebration of Mary Anna's life will be held at 2 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 22, at the Assembly of God Church, 319 Second E. in Hansen, with Pastor Bruce Murray officiating. A private burial will follow at Sunset Memorial Park. Services are under the direction of Reynolds Funeral Chapel in Twin Falls.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests memorials be given in Mary Anna's name to the Assembly of God Church in Hansen or to a charity of your choice. Contributions may be given to funeral chapel staff or mailed to Reynolds Funeral Chapel, P.O. Box 1142, Twin Falls, ID 83303 to send out.

Condolences may be left for the family by visiting [www.reynoldschapel.com](http://www.reynoldschapel.com).

## Melba Mae Burgess

April 10, 1934-Nov. 13, 2011

**JEROME** • Melba Mae Burgess, 77, of Jerome, died Sunday, Nov. 13, 2011, in the Twin Falls hospital.

She was born April 10, 1934, in Richfield, Idaho, to Theophile J. Ollieu and Dona Rosetta (Flavel) Ollieu. She was raised on a farm northeast of Richfield and graduated from Richfield High School in 1952. Her outgoing personality encouraged friendships that lasted a lifetime. Favorite activities growing up in Richfield included horseback riding with friends, school activities such as playing basketball and cheerleading, playing the clarinet in the band, and weekend dances. In July 1954, she married Cliff Burgess, raised three children and divorced after 20 years.

Melba loved cooking for family and friends and particularly enjoyed baking bread, cookies and cinnamon rolls. She worked as a baker for Safeway, Terry's and Ridley's until retiring. She and partner, Art Beem, spent 28 years together enjoying traveling, snowmobiling and fishing until his death in 2004. Later, Melba reunited with high school sweetheart, Russell Pate. They spent eight years together providing both with a full and happy life.

Melba is survived by her companion, Russell Pate of Jerome; her children, Tonia



(Randy) Walgamott and Teri (Michael) Magnelli, all of Jerome, and Blake (Gayle) Burgess of Boise; grandchildren, Andy (Natasha) Walgamott, Brad Walgamott and Ben (Chandra) Walgamott; great-grandchildren, Brylee Walgamott and Kingston Walgamott; brother, Mick (Marla) Ollieu of Battle Ground, Wash.; sister-in-law, Gisela Ollieu of Gooding, Idaho; and her faithful cat, Tiger. She was preceded in death by her parents and brother, Ted Ollieu.

A graveside service is scheduled for noon Saturday, Nov. 26, at the Richfield Cemetery in Richfield, Idaho. Arrangements are under the care of Farnsworth Mortuary of Jerome. In lieu of flowers, memorials can be made in Melba's name to the Jerome Senior Center, 520 N. Lincoln Ave., Jerome, ID 83338, or the Richfield Senior Center, 130 S. Main, Richfield, ID 83349.

## SERVICES

**Kenneth Keith MacKenzie** of Clackamas, Ore., and formerly of Rupert, celebration of life for Kenneth and his wife, Jo, at 2 p.m. today at the Grace Community Church, 100 N. Meridian in Rupert.

**Bill Stone** of Kimberly, memorial service today at the Kimberly Church of the Nazarene (call 423-5290 for information).

**Eunice Evajean Caudle** of Burley, funeral at 11 a.m.

Monday at the Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St. in Burley; visitation from 6 to 8 p.m. today and 10 to 10:45 a.m. Monday at the mortuary.

**Dona Fae Darley Ostergar Seibold** of Rupert, visitation from noon to 1 p.m. Monday at the Hansen Mortuary Rupert Chapel, 710 Sixth St.; graveside service follows at the Rupert Cemetery.

For more **SERVICES**, please see **M4**

## Oneta Keister

April 2, 1924-Nov. 18, 2011

**RUPERT** • Oneta Keister returned to her Heavenly Father on Friday, Nov. 18, 2011, after a battle with cancer.

She was born on April 2, 1924, in Boise, Idaho, to William and Ethel Stanton. She married LaMont Keister on Feb. 14, 1945. He was always her best friend and companion. They farmed in Caldwell, Idaho, until 1954. Then they drew a farm on the Northside, where they happily resided for 35 years. They raised three daughters, Lorraine, KiAnna and Artiss.

Over the years, Oneta worked at the Russett Inn, Ponderosa Inn, Rupert Elks and Amalgamated Sugar. They owned the Melody Bar and later the Blue Room. She liked bowling, swimming, shooting trap and black powder, playing baseball and camping. Her real passion was music and she could play almost any instrument. Her last past-times were going to garage sales, playing bingo and cards.

She will always be known for her kindness and her unconditional love for her family and pets; especially her Pomeranian Peaches. She was good natured, never angry, and always quick



to forgive.

She is survived by her three daughters, Lorraine (Terry) Neuman of Hamilton, Mont., KiAnna (Larry) Oswald of Twin Falls, Idaho, and Artiss (David) Rollheiser of Rupert, Idaho; and also her nine grandchildren, Mike Sigglin, Matt Sigglin, Kimberly Jackson, Dan May, Gabe Rollheiser, Travis Oswald, Samantha Pena, Brandon Oswald and Cory Oswald. She was preceded in death by her husband, parents, and granddaughter, Kiki Adams.

A funeral service will be held at 2 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 22, at Hansen Mortuary Rupert Chapel. Interment will follow at Paul Cemetery. A viewing will be held from 6 to 8 p.m. Monday and one hour prior to the service Tuesday at Hansen Mortuary

## Mary Stevens Hayes Worden

**GOODING** • Mary Stevens Hayes Worden, beloved daughter, wife, mother, grandmother, great-grandmother and great-great-grandmother passed away with her family by her side on Friday, Nov. 18, 2011, at the age of 90 years to join her family in Heaven.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her son, Henry Lee; and all her brothers and sisters.

She will be greatly missed.

Mom - Grandma: Your smile so sweet. Your words of cheer. The love you gave me, whether far or near. You shared my joys, my sorrow too. Dear Mom - Grandmother, Thank God for you! You will not be forgotten.

No services or visitation will be held at this time. A graveside inurnment will take place in the Elmwood Cemetery in Gooding on a later date and will be announced.

Cremation arrangements are under the care of De-

maray Funeral Service, Gooding Chapel.

Condolences for the family may be left by following the obituary link at [www.demarayfuneralservice.com](http://www.demarayfuneralservice.com).

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# OBITUARIES

## Dorothy Mae Brock

Sept. 1, 1933-Nov. 17, 2011

**MERIDIAN** • Mrs. Dorothy Mae Brock, 78, departed this life on Thursday, Nov. 17, 2011, at her home in Meridian, Idaho.

Dorothy, born in Jerome, Idaho, on Sept. 1, 1933, lived her early years on the family farm with her loving parents and three brothers. In her early years, Dorothy enjoyed riding her horse, Dead Eye Dick, and being with her brothers. She graduated high school and attended the University of Idaho, where she received her degree in dietetics. Her brothers played football for the Vandals and Dorothy always joked that she was known as the "Diehl boys little sister." Dorothy was the president of her sorority, Kappa Alpha Theta, and also the Pan-Hellenic president. After completing her dietetics internship in Boston, Mass., Dorothy moved to Gooding, Idaho, to work at the Idaho State Tuberculosis Hospital, where she met and married her true love and husband of 53 years.

Mr. and Mrs. Darrell Brock were married in Jerome, Idaho, in 1957 and began their life together. Within the next several years, they welcomed three children into this world: Cathy, Bill and Tim. The family moved to Chapel Hill, N.C., during the 1960s so that Darrell could pursue his doctorate. While there, Dorothy enjoyed raising her children and working as a dietician at one of the local nursing homes. The family had many wonderful times and adventures in Chapel Hill. Later, the family returned to Boise, where Dorothy accepted a position with a nursing home chain. Dorothy and Darrell moved to Tacoma in 1988 and Dorothy excelled as the chief dietician for a nursing home corporation before moving back to Idaho to retire. As the chief dietician, Dorothy was responsible for planning the menus and buying the food for nursing homes in several western states.

Dorothy was an amazing cook and loved nothing more than having her large family gather around the table for good food, laughs and conversation. Dorothy many times brought her family together with the promise of a great home-cooked meal and one would only have to glance at her extensive cookbook collection to know that cooking for others was one of the ways in which she showed her love for her family. Her home was filled with love and laughter and trips to Dorothy's house always promised a wonderful time. One of Dorothy's favorite traditions was preparing a Christmas Eve seafood feast for her large family. She loved the holidays as she loved decorating her home, preparing



meals, and having loved ones near.

Dorothy had a zest for living life to the fullest and enjoyed traveling with her husband. Although she had visited all 50 states, her favorite place was Saratoga Springs, N.Y. She enjoyed the many interesting shops and the oldest thoroughbred race track in the country. She owned several thoroughbreds that raced at Les Bois Park, where they were trained by her sons and groomed by her daughter. Her grandsons' earliest memories were going to the race track in the mornings to care for the horses and then out for breakfast with Grandma and Grandpa. Dorothy's horses ran and won races in Billings, Seattle, Portland and Spokane.

Dorothy enjoyed her beautiful flower garden, reading, playing Bridge with friends, watching her son coach his high school football team, and mostly spending time with friends and family. She had a sparkle in her eyes and a smile that would light up the room. She was always looking for the opportunity to do something kind for someone and touched the lives of many through her kind and loving way.

Dorothy is preceded in death by her parents, William and Beulah Diehl; and her brother, Lester Diehl.

Dorothy is survived by her husband, Darrell W. Brock; her daughter, Cathy (Randy) Brown; her sons, Bill (Dean-na) and Tim (Linda); and her brothers, Ted Diehl of Jerome and Jerry Diehl of Idaho Falls. She has five grandchildren and six great-grandchildren, and a great-grandchild due to arrive in May.

A memorial service will be held at 2 p.m. Monday, Nov. 21, at the Hillview Methodist Church, 8525 Ustick Road in Boise, Idaho. Arrangements are under the direction of Summers Funeral Homes, Ustick Chapel in Meridian.

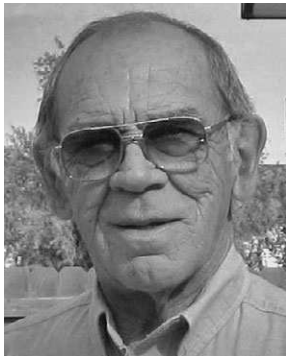
## Don Reid Murray

Oct. 23, 1938-Nov. 19, 2011

**RUPERT** • Don Reid Murray, 73, of Rupert, passed away Saturday, Nov. 19, 2011, at his home while battling cancer.

Don was born Oct. 23, 1938, in Paul, Idaho, to Vernon and Mae Gunnell Murray. He has lived in various places but has always ended up in Rupert. Don obtained a degree in geography in 1965 and served in the Air Force from 1956 to 1960. In 1971, he married Corinne Knopp. For most of his life, Don worked in the potato industry. He also served as commander in the Rupert American Legion Post No. 10 for several years. Don also enjoyed being a rock hound, making jewelry, going on four-wheeler trips, along with fishing and hunting; most of all, he enjoyed being a grandfather.

Don is survived by his wife, Corinne; his children, Chellie Laughlin of Sapula, Okla., and Erica Delgado of Caldwell, Idaho; two stepchildren, Todd Summers of Brooking, S.D., and Stacey (Robert) Boone of Caldwell, Idaho; seven grandchildren, Joshua, Jacob, Jordan, Tarik Boone; Faith Delgado; Natasha and Kenneth Summers; one sister, Maxine DeVitt of Salt Lake City, Utah; and many



nieces and nephews.

Don was preceded in death by his parents and one brother, Jack Murray.

A funeral service will be held at 1 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 22, at the Paul Congregational Church. Interment will follow at the Paul Cemetery. A viewing will be held from 6 to 8 p.m. Monday at Hansen Mortuary Rupert Chapel and one hour prior to the service at the church.

Don's family would like to thank Dr. Dac Johnson, Dr. Margo Saunders, Minidoka Memorial Hospital staff, Minidoka Home Health and Hospice and their staff.

Any memorial contributions may be sent to Birthright of Rupert, 630 Fifth St., Rupert, ID 83350, or to Minidoka Home Health and Hospice, 1224 Eighth St., Rupert, ID 83350.

## Carl Ray Benke

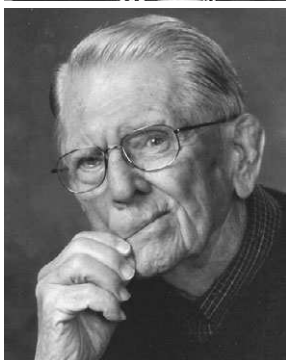
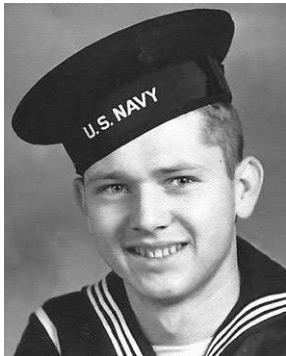
Jan. 2, 1925-Nov. 17, 2011

**RUPERT** • Carl Ray Benke passed away Thursday, Nov. 17, 2011, at the age of 86 at Rosetta Assisted Living in Burley, Idaho.

He was born to Andrew and Nettie Benke on Jan. 2, 1925, in Henderson, Neb., and raised in Bradshaw, Neb. He graduated from Bradshaw High School in 1943. On Nov. 11, 1943, he entered the United States Navy and served from 1943 until 1946.

On June 30, 1946, he married his high school sweetheart, Anna Mae Larson, and to this union three children were born, Richard, Steven and Deborah. In 1948, he started a new adventure and moved his family from Nebraska out West to Rupert, Idaho, where he had since resided. For 40-plus years, he worked for Chevrolet dealerships in York, Neb., and Rupert and Burley, Idaho. He was a member of the Rupert United Methodist Church, where he served on numerous committees. One of his favorite pastimes was the annual Labor Day weekend archery hunt in the South Hills with his five buddies, as well as camping and fishing. He loved the great outdoors.

Carl is survived by his wife, Anna Mae of Rupert; sons, Richard (Barbara) Benke of Boise and Steven (Phyllis) Benke of Tualatin, Ore.; a daughter, Deborah (Jeff) Hare of Paul; nine grandchildren and 10 great-



grandchildren; a brother, Andrew (Marge) Benke of Colorado; and a sister, Susan (Herb) Hanson of Stromsburg, Neb.

He was preceded in death by his parents; a brother, Vern Benke; and sisters, Francis Cotner, Darlene Gerrard and Hildie Pahl.

The funeral will be held at 11 a.m. Tuesday, Nov. 22, at the Rupert United Methodist Church, with Pastor Pamela Meese officiating. Interment will follow at the Rupert Cemetery. A viewing will be held from 6 to 8 p.m. Monday at Hansen Mortuary in Rupert.

## DEATH NOTICES

### Helen Ambrose

**JEROME** • Helen Ambrose, 95, of Jerome, died Friday, Nov. 18, 2011, at Bridgeview Estates in Twin Falls.

A celebration of her life will be held at 1 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 26, at the Bible Baptist Church, 132 Second Ave. E. in Jerome; visitation from noon until time of the service Saturday at the church (Hove Funeral Chapel in Jerome).

### Edward Ginder

**KIMBERLY** • Edward Victor Ginder, 93, of Kimberly, died Friday, Nov. 18, 2011, at his home.

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

### Richard Erdmann

**BUHL** • Richard H. Erdmann, 75, of Buhl, died Saturday, Nov. 19, 2011, at his home.

Arrangements will be announced by Farmer Funeral Chapel in Buhl.

### Daniel Roesler

**FILER** • Daniel William Roesler, 69, of Filer, died Saturday, Nov. 19, 2011, at St. Luke's Magic Valley Medical Center in Twin Falls.

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

### Diane Steffans

**BURLEY** • Diane Sheryl Steffans, 63, of Burley, died Saturday, Nov. 19, 2011, at Cassia Regional Medical Center.

Arrangements will be announced by Rasmussen Funeral Home of Burley.

### Jose Silonis

**GOODING** • Jose Antonio "Tony" Silonis, 75, of Gooding, died Wednesday, Nov. 16, 2011, in Reno, Nev.

Arrangements are pending in Reno, with local arrangements to be announced by Demaray Funeral Service, Gooding Chapel.

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Sat to Sun 12:45 3:00 5:15  
**Tower Heist** (13) Fri & Sat 7:30 9:45 Midnite  
Sat to Sun 12:45 3:00 5:15  
**The Immortals** (R) Fri & Sat 7:00 9:30 Midnite  
Sat to Sun 12:30 3:30  
**Footloose** (13) Fri & Sat 7:00 9:30 Midnite  
Sat to Sun 12:30 3:30  
**Puss in Boots** (PG) 2D  
In 2D Fri & Sat 7:30 9:45 Midnite  
Sat to Sun 12:45 3:00 5:15  
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Sat to Sun 12:15 2:30 4:45  
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In 3D Fri & Sat 9:45 Midnite  
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## SERVICES

**Iola Irene Hurley Welker** of Wendell, memorial service at 2 p.m. Monday at Demaray Funeral Service, Wendell Chapel.

**Ricky Ray Amen** of Bend, Ore., and formerly of Paul, memorial service at 3 p.m. Monday at the Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's Witnesses, 233 W. Third St. in Burley.

**Bessie Anne Ficker (Palat)** of Twin Falls, memorial service at 10:30 a.m. Tuesday at the Valley Christian Church in Twin Falls.

**Leanne Joyce Doolittle Spengler** of Bowling Green, Mo., and formerly of Twin Falls and Kimberly, celebration of life at 1 p.m. Tuesday at White Mortuary, in Twin Falls.

**David Lazenby** of Twin Falls, funeral at 10 a.m. Wednesday at Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly

Road in Twin Falls; visitation from 5 to 7 p.m. Tuesday at the mortuary.

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OBITUARIES

Neta ‘Marie’ Moldenhauer Ramsey

April 29, 1927-Nov. 16, 2011

**FILER •** Neta “Marie” Moldenhauer Ramsey, 84, passed away Wednesday, Nov. 16, 2011, at her home in Filer, Idaho, surrounded by loved ones.

She was born April 29, 1927, daughter of Emma and Fred Speer in their Heyburn, Idaho, farmhouse. She was the third of five children. When she was 1 1/2, her brother passed away of pneumonia and, soon after, her parents moved to Bellevue, Idaho. After living in Bellevue for a year, they returned the Burley area, living in Rupert with family, where Marie started school at Pioneer School. After a couple years, her parents bought the McDonald homestead, where they had previously lived and Marie attended grade school at Heyburn Elementary School. She helped her father on the farm with the planting, irrigating and harvesting. She also helped tend to the many farm animals they raised. One year when her father was sick, she planted and raised the entire potato crop all by herself so that they could make the farm payment. She had a beautiful voice and was an operetta, singing solos in the school musicals and at church. She graduated from Heyburn High School in 1945. She attended nursing classes at the University of Idaho during the fall semester of 1945.

Marie married Robert Thomas Moldenhauer on April 21, 1946, at the Methodist Church in Burley. They lived in Moscow, Idaho, while Bob completed his college degree at the University of Idaho. He worked for the National Forest Service and she worked as a secretary at an insurance office. When Bob graduated from college, he took a manager position at Asgrow Seed Company in Twin Falls and they moved to Filer, Idaho. Marie worked at the Filer bank until 1955, when they adopted twin girls, Pamela and Roberta, age 2 1/2. They raised the girls in the Filer community.

Marie taught Sunday school at the Methodist Church, become a member of the Order of Eastern Star, a member of the American Legion Women’s Auxiliary, a member of the 200 Club of the Magic Valley Bowling League, and a member of PEO.

In 1970, Bob was promoted within the Asgrow Seed Company and they moved to Ames, Iowa. There Marie worked in a dress shop. They traveled with Bob’s job to New York City, California, Washington, D.C., and Canada. The girls graduated from high school in Ames and then returned to Idaho to attend college at Idaho State University in Pocatello, Idaho. While in Iowa, Asgrow Seed Company changed ownership several times and Marie and Bob moved into Des Moines. Bob was asked to relocate to Michigan, but instead decided to return to Idaho, taking a job at Haney Seed Company in Twin Falls, where they also purchased a house.

Marie enjoyed yard work and gardening and prided herself in her beautiful flower gardens. She played pinochle, loved traveling, enjoyed camping and fishing, and spending time with her family. She played the organ and sang hymns often. Marie enjoyed the holidays and decorating her home.

Bob passed away in September 1981 from complications of cancer.

She married the second love of her life, Herman “Humpty” Ramsey, on Oct. 26, 2001, in Jackpot, Nev. They lived in Country Side Estates in Twin Falls, Idaho, and traveled frequently with the Good Sam’s Club in his motorhome. They went on several family reunion camping trips with Marie’s sisters and their families. Marie loved going to Bar J Wranglers concerts. They



enjoyed spending time with her daughters and grandchildren. Humpty became ill in 2009 and Marie cared for him up until he passed in October of 2009.

After Humpty’s death, Marie’s health began to deteriorate. In August of this year, she moved to Filer to live with her daughter, Pamela. After a bout of pneumonia and a brief stay at the nursing home, she was brought home where she peacefully passed away.

Marie was preceded in death by a little brother, Bert Earnest Speer; her father, Fred Walker Speer; her mother, Emma Larcena (Jackson) Speer; her stepfather, Roy S. Spurgeon; two husbands, Robert Thomas Moldenhauer and Herman “Humpty” Lee Ramsey; her son-in-law, Gary Dale Wright; and three nephews, Paul Jepps, Chad Bailey and Kent Bailey.

She is survived by her three sisters, Letta (Norman) Bailey of Rupert, Idaho, Lois (Jack) Thomson of Heyburn, Idaho, and Shirley (Jay) Clinger of Idaho Falls, Idaho; her two daughters, Pamela (Ron) Woll and Roberta Wright, both of Filer, Idaho; her four grandchildren, Debbie (Gary) Dumont of Idaho Falls, Idaho, Angella (Link) LaValley of Filer, Idaho, Thomas Wright of Filer, Idaho, and Henry (Rebecca) Dodge of Filer, Idaho; eight great-grandchildren; and many nieces and nephews.

The family would like to thank Hospice Visions of Twin Falls for the comfort and care they provided Marie and her family over the past week. Their services and attention was above and beyond normal business. Thanks also to Pastor Carol Thompson, Dr. Joseph Ippolito, the Twin Falls Order of Eastern Star, Reynolds Funeral Chapel and family and friends for the cards, calls and visits during this difficult time. An extra special thanks to Marie’s sisters for contributing history, memories and music.

The funeral will be held at 11 a.m. Monday, Nov. 21, at Reynolds Funeral Chapel, 2466 Addison Ave. E. in Twin Falls, Idaho. Pastor Carol Thompson of the Filer Methodist Church will be officiating. There will be a visitation from 5 to 7 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 20 at Reynolds Funeral Chapel. Interment will follow at the Rupert Cemetery. A light luncheon will be provided by the ladies of the Order of the Eastern Star at the Twin Falls Masonic Temple at 883 Blue Lakes Boulevard N. and will follow the interment.

Condolences may be left for the family by visiting [www.reynoldschapel.com](http://www.reynoldschapel.com).

Clyde O. Parks

Dec. 17, 1924-Oct. 30, 2011

Clyde O. Parks passed away Sunday, Oct. 30, 2011, at St. Luke’s Magic Valley Medical Center in Twin Falls, Idaho.

Clyde was born Dec. 17, 1924, to Raymond and Emily Parks in Bancroft, Idaho. He spent his younger years in the Inkom and McCammon area of eastern Idaho, working in the family’s trucking businesses. In 1946, after spending time aboard the USS Cetus during World War II, Clyde married his high school sweetheart, Joyce Mellor. The couple spent their lives working together, owning and operating several businesses in Idaho and Arizona. Clyde and Joyce raised four children, Rick, Susan, Robert and Steven.

During his working years, Clyde took pride in his work and was happiest when he was around his employees and his trucks. Clyde was

well thought of in his industry and enjoyed meeting all of his many friends at annual conventions and trade shows. After retiring from his businesses in Arizona, he and his wife relocated to Twin Falls in the 1990s. In his leisure time, Clyde enjoyed telling jokes, playing cards, and spending time in Stanley, Idaho.

Clyde was preceded in death by his father, mother, and his brother, Melvin. He is survived by a daughter, three sons, and eight grandchildren.

Clyde was loved for his outgoing personality and willingness to share his life stories and experiences with everyone around him. He will be missed by everyone who knew him.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the American Diabetes Association.

Joyce L. Parks

Feb. 27, 1927-Nov. 10, 2011

Joyce L. Parks of Twin Falls, Idaho, passed away Thursday, Nov. 10, 2011, at Saint Alphonsus Regional Medical Center in Boise.



Joyce was born Feb. 27, 1927, in McCammon, Idaho, to Joseph F. Mellor and Annetta R. Mellor. After World War II, in 1946, Joyce married Clyde O. Parks. She spent much of the next 25 years working and contributing greatly to the success of the family businesses, as well as raising four children, Rick, Susan, Robert and Steven. Over her many years, Joyce lived and worked in the eastern and southern Idaho area, as well as Salt Lake City, Utah, and Phoenix, Ariz. Joyce left Phoenix after retiring and relocated with her husband to Twin Falls in the 1990s.

Joyce’s time on earth was spent enjoying many lifelong friendships and attaining fulfillment through being a loving wife, and a generous mother and grandmother. She was a professionally experienced and tremendously gifted cook who was able to share some of her abundant love for others through her exceptional recipes. Joyce’s positivity and affection touched the many people she encountered. She was a defining character and should be

remembered for her integrity. Mrs. Joyce Parks was a true lady, with impeccable taste, and an appreciation for both the simple and finer qualities of life. Joyce had an incredibly strong will to live and possessed a persevering spirit that guided her throughout the difficult periods of life. This extraordinary spirit kept her ever-interested in the lives of her family and friends. Joyce’s limitless love, compassion, and charming personality will be greatly missed.

Joyce was preceded in death by her mother and father, two brothers, three sisters, and her husband, Clyde. Joyce is survived by her sister, Alice; a daughter, and three sons. Joyce is also survived by eight grandchildren.

Joyce was a gift in the lives of many and left her eternal mark on the generations she nurtured. A truly beautiful person, Joyce will be forever missed by everyone she touched.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Stroke Center at Saint Alphonsus Regional Medical Center, 1055 N. Curtis Road, Boise, ID, 83706. Remembrances may be left for the family at [www.Accent-Funeral.com](http://www.Accent-Funeral.com).

Stanford V. (Stan) Harper

July 22, 1929-Nov. 12, 2011

**BRAHAM, Minn. •** Stanford V. (Stan) Harper of Braham, Minn., passed away Saturday, Nov. 12, 2011, at Grace Point Crossing East Gables in Cambridge, Minn. He was 82 years old.



He was born and raised in Oakley, Idaho. His parents were the late Golden Harper and Nelda (Rigby) Harper. He had nine siblings. He lived and worked in the Burley area following being in the military and then moved to Minnesota. He loved to golf, bowl and spend time with his family.

He is survived by his

wife, Irma Kohn; daughter, Ruby; two granddaughters; four great-grandchildren; sisters, Marge Dalton, Lavonda Hanson, Nelda (Suz) Adams,

Sharon Adams and Shirley Hubbard; brother, Dale Harper. His brothers, Richard and Glen Harper; and sister, Evelyn Teeple, are deceased.

The funeral was held Friday, Nov. 18, at the Rock-Ingebrand Funeral Home in Braham, Minn. Interment followed in the Minnesota State Veterans Cemetery in Little Falls, Minn.

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*To each of you who honored our family in the passing of our beloved and cherished husband and father, (Oct. 11, 2011), by sending cards, bringing food, flowers, and plants, making calls and sharing kind thoughts and memories, we would like to express our heartfelt gratitude and thanks.*

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# OBITUARIES

## Richard D. Blincoe

Sept. 9, 1923-Nov. 17, 2011

**HEYBURN** • Richard Dale Blincoe, age 88, of Heyburn, passed away Thursday, Nov. 17, 2011, in Paul, from injuries received in an auto accident.

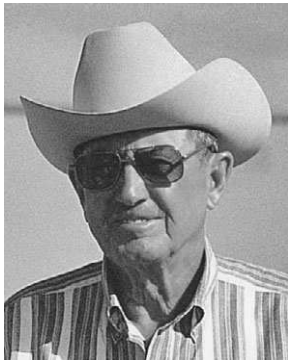
Richard was born Sept. 9, 1923, in Heyburn, Idaho, the son of Daisy Pet and Lila J. (Johnson) Blincoe. He received his education in Heyburn and graduated from the Heyburn High School. He married Betty Lorraine Lott on Aug. 27, 1942, in Ogden, Utah, where they lived until Dec. 16, 1943, when Richard's father asked him to return to the farm to help dig the sugar beets. This began a lifelong career as a well-known farmer and stockman of the Mini-Cassia area.

Richard and his father, Daisy Pet, pioneered the Northside in 1948, starting with the building of the main road to the Northside. They cleared sage brush and established an irrigation system. After returning from the service, Richard's sons, Larry and Dean, helped their father continue to build the family farm. Together, they established one of the most progressive farming operations in the Magic Valley. Throughout the years, his daughters, Rida, Joan and Jill worked at various jobs with Richard's wife, Betty, by his side.

Richard served on various boards including the ASCS, Sugar Beet Growers Association, PCA and the Idaho Cattle Feeders, where he served as president. He was a charter member and was involved in the establishment of Cattle Fax, and also helped in organizing and serving as a board member of the Magic Valley Ground Water District from 1994 until 2002.

Because of his countless hours of service and his expertise in the agriculture industry, Richard received various recognitions. He was awarded the Grassman of the Year for both Lincoln and Minidoka Counties; was inducted into the Cattle Feeders' Hall of Fame in 1976; and was the Outstanding Beet Grower of the Year in 1991.

Richard was proud of the fact that the family farming and cattle operation was in its fifth generation. He recently commented that this



fall he, his son, Larry, his grandson, Rod, and his two great-grandsons, Taylor and Trevor, worked in the potato harvest together. Four generations working side-by-side in the industry he taught his family to love.

Richard found later in life that he could take time to enjoy fishing. However, the most important aspect of Richard's life was his beloved wife, Betty, his children and grandchildren. They will forever be blessed with the integrity he instilled in them of hard work, honesty and giving back to the community.

Survivors include his loving wife of 69 years, Betty Blincoe of Heyburn; his children, Larry (Carla) Blincoe and Rida (Dale) Avery, all of Heyburn, Dean (Bonnie) Blincoe of Pahrump, Nev., Joan Davila of Meridian and Jill (Dean) Nielsen of Paul; nine grandchildren; 18 great-grandchildren; and five great-great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents; one brother, Edward Blincoe; and two sisters, Whilden Troupe and Susan Schodde.

The funeral will be held at 11 a.m. Wednesday, Nov. 23, at the Paul LDS Stake Center, 424 W. Ellis St. in Paul, with Bishop Layne Harper officiating. Military rites will be provided by the Mini-Cassia Veterans Organization. Burial will be in the Paul Cemetery. Friends may call from 6 until 8 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 22, at the Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St. in Burley, and from 10 until 10:45 a.m. Wednesday at the church.

The family suggests memorials be directed to the Elks Rehabilitation Center or to the Paul Pine Chapel at the Paul Cemetery in care of the Rasmussen Funeral Home.

## Holly Joan Brittsan

Dec. 31, 1986-Nov. 15, 2011

Holly Joan Brittsan, 24, of Twin Falls, died Tuesday, Nov. 15, 2011, the result of a BASE jumping accident in Utah.

Holly was born Dec. 31, 1986, in Twin Falls, to Rex and Linda Brittsan. As soon as she could walk, Holly was determined to explore the world around her with an unbridled passion. She was always involved in many activities throughout her life; gymnastics, bowling, softball, soccer, auto racing and later skydiving and BASE jumping, just to name a few. But dance was Holly's special love; she began attending Mauldin's Dance Academy at the age of 3 and continued to dance there through high school and even beyond graduation. She was also a member of the Twin Falls High School dance team. One of Holly's special projects at a young age was raising three puppies through the Guide Dogs for the Blind 4-H program. Holly was lucky enough to get her first dog, Fonda, returned to her and she has been her faithful and special friend ever since. Holly attended school in Twin Falls, graduating from Twin Falls High School in 2005. Always a very bright student, she graduated from the University of the Pacific in Stockton, Calif., just three years later with a Bachelor's of Science degree in business administration/arts and entertainment management.

While enrolled at college, Holly sewed for a rigger at Independent Parachute Services associated with a skydiving jump center near Lodi, Calif., where she made many friends while developing her skydiving skills. Later she became interested in BASE jumping, her love for the sport was supported with each experience.

Holly had also worked as a disc jockey for 99.9 "The Buzz" radio station in Twin Falls, as a tutor for autistic children and as a gymnastics coach. She loved all types of music. Always an independent thinker and adventurous, after graduating from college, Holly spent several months in Medellin, Colombia, to experience a different culture. Upon returning to the United States, Holly settled in the Salt Lake City, Utah, area where she soon decided to follow her



dream of becoming a medical doctor and enrolled at the University of Utah taking pre-med classes. She also began working for Utah Soccer LLC and developed a love for the Real Soccer team.

Holly also loved her volunteer work with infants at the University Hospital. She was a certified EMT and was anxiously looking forward to taking the MCAT test this spring in order to enter medical school.

Holly had found love with her boyfriend, Ben Dodge, and the two of them shared a very special and close relationship.

Holly cherished friendships with so many, thank you to all.

Holly is also survived by her parents, Rex T. Brittsan and Linda Brittsan of Twin Falls; her brother, Trevor (Tasha) Brittsan of Meridian; one niece, Taylor; and one nephew, Trey. Another niece or nephew will be welcomed in January. She is also survived by her grandparents, David (Shelby) Skinner of Temecula, Calif., and Marilyn Skinner of Brea, Calif.; uncles, Michael (Jennifer) Skinner of San Diego, Calif., Randy (Ruth) Brittsan of Whittier, Calif., and Ray (Cindy) Brittsan of Cornelius, Ore.; her aunts, Janet (William) Wells of Sierra Madre, Calif., Katie (Larry) Hall of Auburn, Wash., Pam Booth of Cornelius, Ore., Paula (Alan) Salsgiver of Twin Falls, Patty (Tim) Harney of Kuna and Alison Brittsan of Buhl; and 20 cousins.

She was preceded in death by her grandparents, Donna and Gary T. Brittsan; and one uncle, Ron Booth.

Holly was such a special person, ever true to her beliefs. We will always keep you in our hearts, little girl.

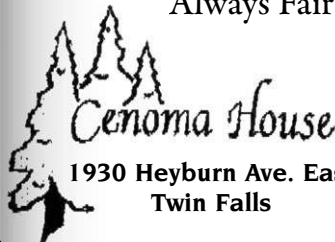
A memorial service will be held at 1 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 22, at Rosenau Funeral Home in Twin Falls.

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## Clifford L. Strom

Oct. 24, 1914-Nov. 16, 2011

**BURLEY** • Clifford Leon Strom, age 97, of Burley, passed away Wednesday, Nov. 16, 2011, at Highland Estates in Burley.

Cliff was born Oct. 24, 1914, in La Grande, Ore., to Louis L. and Clara Olson Strom. He was the youngest of three children. After graduating from high school, he received a football scholarship to Oregon University in Eugene, Ore. He later attended Brigham Young University, where he met his wife, Faye Strong. They were married June 8, 1938, in Provo, Utah. Their marriage was later solemnized in the Salt Lake LDS Temple on Aug. 19, 1941.

After college, they moved to Bend, Ore., and were blessed with two children, a daughter, Kaylene, and a son, Dean.

Cliff started working for Consolidated Freightways in Bend, Ore., in 1941. After several years with Consolidated, he was transferred to Burley. While living in Burley, Cliff



served as the president of the Chamber of Commerce and the Burley Rotary Club. He belonged to the Burley Toastmasters — winning the blue pencil.

After 30 years with Consolidated Freightways, the company closed their doors. He then went to work for Browning Freightliners and when they closed, they moved to Boise and worked for Action Express until he retired in 2001 at the age of 86.

Cliff was an active member of The Church of Jesus Christ

of Latter-day Saints. He was a branch president in Coos Bay, Ore., and held many other church callings throughout his life. Cliff, along with his wife, Faye, served an LDS temple mission in Idaho Falls.

Cliff was a loving husband, father, grandfather, great-grandfather and great-great-grandfather.

He is survived by one daughter, Kaylene Koyle of Burley; a son, Dean (Linda) Strom of Burley; six grandchildren; 22 great-grandchildren; and nine great-great-grandchildren.

Cliff was preceded in death by his wife, Faye, of 71 years; one brother, Leonard; one sister, Gladys; and a great-grandson, Joshua.

The funeral will be held at 11 a.m. Tuesday, Nov. 22, at the Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St. in Burley, with Bishop Larry Kloepler officiating. Burial will be in the Pleasant View Cemetery. Friends may call from 6 until 8 p.m. Monday, Nov. 21, and from 10 until 10:45 a.m. Tuesday at the Rasmussen Funeral Home.

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OUR VIEW



# Economic Development, Chobani and SIEDO's 10-year Anniversary

The Southern Idaho Economic Development Corporation (SIEDO) celebrated its 10th anniversary last Thursday with a summit held at the College of Southern Idaho's Herrett Center. Business leaders from throughout the region gathered to briefly glance back at past successes and look forward expectantly to the future. The timing could not have been better: exactly two weeks after SIEDO, the city of Twin Falls and Agro Farma Inc. announced that they were bringing Chobani yogurt — and 400 jobs — to the area.

With a local economy saddled with

7.9 percent unemployment and mired in the most sluggish of "recoveries," the news was indeed welcome and enthusiastically celebrated by all. Well, by most.

Before long the critics arose with their letters and columns and their water-cooler criticism of the city giving away the farm. Such criticism is not unique to Twin Falls or Idaho. Modern-day economic development — the skillful art of bringing new business to a region or helping an existing business to expand — is fraught with negotiation and compromise; giving and taking. Well, mostly giving. There's always a neighboring state offering larger incentives and

longer-lasting tax breaks. It's the new way of the world.

Critics of the Chobani deal — indeed, of most successful economic development activities in this modern era — are not necessarily wrong. They are necessarily naïve. Yes, there are businesses that started, thrived and continue to thrive without incentives to lure them here. In fact, there are hundreds of them. But wishing for a return to the "Leave it to Beaver" days doesn't get us anywhere. It really is 2011.

At Thursday's SIEDO 10th Anniversary Summit, Joe Little, general manager of Burley's DOT Foods, was asked to

talk about what made his company choose to locate in southern Idaho. He listed five reasons: 1) logistics; 2) quality of labor; 3) incentives; 4) cost of doing business; and 5) taxes. It's likely that those five factors played an equally important role in Agro Farma's decision to expand to Twin Falls.

Chobani may have loved our logistics, labor pool and relatively low cost of doing business. But if we had stopped there, the Nov. 3 announcement would have taken place in Nevada or elsewhere in Idaho. Incentives and concessions were necessary and were provided. It's not good; it's not bad; it's what it is.

READER COMMENT

## Twin Falls URA Focused on Jobs, Numbers and People as They Considered Chobani Project

As one of the team members to bring the new Chobani Greek yogurt plant to Twin Falls the Twin Falls Urban Renewal Agency (TFURA) has been very aware of the major economic impacts the plant will have on our city and our region. The numbers that

Gary Garmand

Chairman, Twin Falls URA

Times-News reporter, Ben Botkin, wrote about this week are numbers we look at throughout the process; 400 jobs, \$17.5 million from

the TFURA for land acquisition, water lines, wastewater improvements and other infrastructure.

But as the TUFRA board evaluated the numbers, buildings and infrastructure, we also took a very close look at the human component, the people that are behind the numbers.

One of the key goals in our mission statement is to push economic development. From that mission statement one of our first concerns we look at when reviewing potential new business or expanding existing business is the number of jobs that will be created and the pay scale/ben-

efits package. Each one of those jobs represents a person who may be unemployed or underemployed. We all know someone in this economy that has been unemployed or is not working in a position where they can earn enough to take good care of their families. The people that are go-

ing to be hired to build and staff the plant, the farmers, and all of the other suppliers and businesses in the region represent people that are the backbone, the heart and soul, of our community.

We also look for a track record of the company being a good corporate citizen. Agro Farma, the parent company of Chobani, has that kind of reputation. This means that they encourage their employees to participate in organizations that

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# The Times-News Is in Great Hands

I'd like to thank the eagle-eyed readers who called to tell me there was a notice in the paper advertising for my job.

It's true: this will be my final column for the *Times-News*.

Many of you wondered what the story was, and the reason is simple: family. As the generation on either side of me ages — my kids and my folks — I worried about how they would know each other.

Earlier this year, my heart broke when my dad said that, because of the distance, he'd "probably only see his son and his grandkids 10 more good times in his life."

That's why, when a rare opportunity came up to move to a place that is as close to family as I could get while still having mountains, I had to take it. On Dec. 7, I start as the editor of the Fort Collins *Coloradoan* — a town my wife and I have always held in high regard, and one that's an afternoon's drive from nearly every relative I have.

As far as the *Times-News* — you don't have to worry. The newsroom's leadership consists of phenomenal people who have deep ties to the Magic Valley:

- Virginia Hutchins has more than 15 years' worth of experience with the paper, and has covered news and business as well. She started doing whatever work the newsroom would give her and now leads the team's features operation.
- Eric Larsen has been with the paper for nearly a decade. Readers have seen him rise through the ranks from his humble days as a high school sports writer to lead the paper's award-winning city desk coverage.
- Josh Palmer had been the paper's business editor before moving to the disembodied voice of the *Times-News*' Facebook page as our online editor. His ear is always open — if you're at a gathering of business folk, chances are he's there, too.



• Night Editor Nate Poppino is as local as they come. He grew up in the Magic Valley, went to college at the University of Idaho and came right back to his hometown, where he got to work covering health and the environment.

• Publisher John Pfeifer has a passion for excellence and a mind for tactical planning. He has been incredibly supportive during my time here, and is one of the strongest advocates for real community journalism I've had the pleasure of working for.

They're not going to let my departure slow them down a bit.

I have loved every minute of our time together, Magic Valley. You have been kind and welcoming, while quickly letting me know you wouldn't accept anything less than a top-notch paper. I threw myself into the job and community with all that I had, and you rewarded me through lasting friendships and great feedback.

It's your paper. Work hard with the people I've outlined above. Let them know what you don't like, but also let them know what you love.

Thank you so much for everything, readers. I'll keep the handwritten letters you sent during my time here as a testament to both your sincerity and the power of the printed word.

Respectfully,  
Josh Awtry

**PS:** Does anybody want a gently used mountain bike that, according to it's label, can't be taken off road?

*Josh Awtry is editor of the Times-News. You can contact him through Dec. 1 at 208-735-3255, jawtry@magicvalley.com or Facebook.com/joshawtry.*

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### Dunn Thanks His Supporters

I would like to thank everyone who voted for me in Wendell's recent city election for councilman.

Your support and confidence in me is greatly appreciated.

It will be an honor and privilege to serve the citizens of Wendell as well as the mayor and current councilmen.  
**DON DUNN**  
**Wendell**

### Tormenting Wolves Is a Disgrace to Humanity

So now it isn't enough to shoot the wolves we reintroduced to Idaho with guns. After signing up for one brief class in trapping and snaring, any "sportsman" may be provided with a free snare to place anywhere he likes as long as it is 10 feet away from the trails where we hike with our dogs. If your dog is unlucky enough to get its leg or head caught in one of these snares, there is no way you can get it off with your bare hands. You will need to have with you a special heavy duty tool called a bolt cutter. Frantic with pain, wolves have been known to gnaw off their own paws or legs to escape these cruel snaring devices.

It is a disgrace to humanity that torturing and tormenting wolves to a slow and agonizing death is an approved legal sport. Or is it perhaps merely a sign of the low and vicious depths to which some humans have sunk?

It is certainly a sad and shameful day for Idaho.  
**DIANA FASSINO**  
**Ketchum**

### Show Your Patriotism on Black Friday

Black Friday! Woo Hoo! ... Wait. What is Black Friday? Some say it's the most un-Christian, un-American day of the year. We're still teetering near depression. Big box stores and online retailers sell merchandise made mostly in China. Their employees lose Thanksgiving to send Idaho money to foreign owners of your former manufacturing jobs, to out-of-town corporate 1 percenters more invested in their yachts than helping pave our streets or edu-

cating our children, and to megabankers who charge us to withdraw our own money with cash cards they forced on us to reduce paper checks — the bankers we bailed out, bankers who gave themselves bailout-backed bonuses for their trillion-dollar management failures.

Christian Patriotic Idahoans have the power to paint Black Friday red, white and blue. Don't buy imported big box garbage this year; help Twin Falls, Idaho, and America directly. Need Christmas presents? Buy gift certificates for locally owned restaurants. Buy family portraits from local artists and photographers. Hire a carpenter to build grandparents that access ramp. Or insulate their attic, lowering power bills forever. Buy hubby a winter of snow removal from the teenager next door. Reupholster a favorite chair. Paint your church. Roller-skate. Buy someone dental insurance. Teach your child that every toxic-waste-laced Chinese doodad you buy (and discard months later) helps build their missiles and steals American jobs.

America spent \$10 billion on Black Friday last year. Total pre-Christmas sales topped \$580 billion. Be a smart patriot and a wise Christian this year. Give thoughtful locally produced gifts. Donate to community projects and charities you support; you'll enjoy them for years to come. This Congress won't fix this depression. Let's be smart enough to do it ourselves. Times-News, you should be patriots too, by energetically highlighting local enterprises and community needs lists. Let's all pull together.

**BOB SOJKA**  
**Twin Falls**

### Age Discrimination in Idaho Is Prevalent

In reference to the editorial page in the *Times-News*, Nov. 15, "Our View," concerning the rejection of Federal Unemployment Benefits Extension by the director of Idaho Depart-

ment of Labor, Mr. Roger Madsen.

The *Times-News* editorial board wrote a response rejecting his view based on the reality of what is going on in our current economy. What the story left out is the total discrimination against those of us who are over age 50 who are seeking full-time employment and have been unemployed for an extended period of time.

The story did not address how many job applications go to the round file by employers who are not interested in hiring those of us whose kids are grown, have stable living arrangements, know how to show up to work every day and put in an honest day's work for an honest day's pay without all the drama and cell phone interruptions that our younger generation seem to bring to the work place daily.

I had dinner the other night at Golden Corral with a friend of mine who is also a veteran during their Veterans Appreciation Dinner. In our conversation, I found out that he, too, has been unemployed for more than a year, and, like me, cannot even gain an interview for a job despite applying for more than 100 jobs that have been advertised. He served as a helicopter medic pilot in Vietnam and now he is treated as too old with the rest of us over age 50 who are looking for work.

Several stories in the *Times-News* have shown the high percentage of unemployed who are over age 50, but nothing is being done on our behalf to fight the age discrimination that

is taking place right here in Idaho. If Mr. Madsen, who heads the Idaho Department of Labor, was doing his job instead of complaining about the length of time we are unemployed, maybe something would be done to stop the blatant age discrimination that is allowed to go on unchallenged by the Idaho Department of Labor.

**R. SCOTT O'MELIA**  
**Twin Falls**

### Protest Picture Shocks Reader

When I opened my paper to the section, "Nation and World," I was aghast at the expression on that officer's face.

The last time I checked, the motto for the police department was to "protect and defend." It states absolutely nothing about usurping your position as an "authority figure."

The expression on the pictured officer's face is that of revenge and sheer delight in his position (my interpretation).

One might say, that's New York, what do you expect? Oh, sorry, rage has never been a part of a police officer's training. Never, ever have I seen or heard of our police department behaving this way. Thank goodness!

Well, I just had to vent as a proud citizen of this country. That guy, who does not deserve to wear that badge, needs to be in therapy. I suggest a lockup up a few days may bring him to his senses.

**MONIKA MECHEAM**  
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help the community, raise money for good causes, and in general give back to the people that are giving them the ability to have a successful business in Twin Falls. Successful businesses are not made by buildings, equipment or numbers. They are made by hard-working people that have the skills and desire to do great work and make a difference. I believe that when the Chobani team evaluated Twin Falls as one of the finalists they realized that, while the numbers were good and had to make sense, it ultimately came down to the quality of the people.

TFURA faced a different challenge last year when they succeeded in bringing the C3 Call Center to Twin Falls and create 900 jobs. These jobs represent people and their families. You can see the pride in the eyes of those at C3 that have gone back to work after the Dell plant closed or they were unemployed or underemployed for another reason. Each one of these jobs has a human side. And each story is being shaped on a daily basis as our community works together to take care of each other and their families.

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# More Warnings on Global Warming

The past month hasn't been good for climate-change skeptics. At a congressional hearing Monday, Richard Muller, a former global-warming skeptic at the University of California, Berkeley, told lawmakers that, after a two-year review of historical world temperature data, he has verified the scientific consensus that the earth is warming, by about 1.6 degrees Fahrenheit over the past 50 years. This is not surprising; as the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration reported last year, the warming of the planet, detected in multiple, independent lines of evi-

dence, is "unequivocal." Muller said that exactly how much humans contribute to such warming is difficult to calculate. But, as the Economist pointed out last year, even if the U.N. Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) is off by a factor of five in its reckoning of the climate's sensitivity to an eventual doubling of the amount of carbon in the atmosphere, that still leaves only a 50 percent chance of relatively minor temperature change. The developed world and large developing nations, meanwhile, continue to pump immense amounts of carbon into the atmosphere. The

Energy Department released an analysis this month concluding that global carbon emissions in 2010 increased by the largest amount ever, to a higher level than the IPCC's worst-case projection. What are the consequences? Scientists can't be sure. An IPCC committee gathered in Kampala, Uganda, this week to review the available science. It concluded that the warming that scientists have detected so far has likely led to higher extreme daily temperatures and high water on coasts. But, despite the rhetoric that emerges every time a hurricane hits the United States, the data is too thin to con-

clude that global warming has had any effect on aggregate tropical cyclone activity. The IPCC also noted that linking individual weather events to climate change is unreasonable. Natural variability will continue to be a dominant factor in explaining dangerous weather. Predicting future effects also comes with exceptional uncertainties because of scientific models' inadequacy to simulate the complex climate system many years out, among other things. Still, the IPCC says, with more warming it is virtually certain that very hot days will get hotter and more frequent; it's very likely that heatwaves will,

too. It's also likely that heavy rains and snows will occur more often and that tropical cyclone wind speed will increase. Scientists can't predict, but they also can't rule out, worse consequences. Varying amounts of uncertainty are inherent to cli-

mate science, but they do not mean humans can dismiss the dangers. Countries should clear-headedly address the risks of a warming world by cutting back on carbon emissions and preparing to adapt, the Kampala report argues.

*This editorial appeared in Saturday's Washington Post.*



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## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### Thank You Veterans for All That You Do

In loving memory of Oliver S. Andrews, 39 years old, passed on July 26, 2011.

What makes a hero? It is not how they died but who and what they chose to live for.

To all the past and future veterans and for all those whose families sacrificed everything for our freedom, thank you!

MELISSA ANDREWS  
Twin Falls

### Reader Corrects Times-News' Jeer about Protest

Jeers to the *Times-News* for jeering Occupy Twin Falls and getting everything about the march on Oct. 29 completely wrong.

The protest did not begin in front of a credit union (there aren't any downtown credit unions). It started in front of Wells Fargo. And, as a matter of fact, Wells Fargo is part of the problem. They bundled my mortgage with others and sold it to a Boston bank that was a sub-

siary of Lehman Brothers. I think the march started there coincidentally. It is, after all, at the intersection of Main and Shoshone. I guess you'd have to ask the participants. But I can't think of a better place to start than in front of that bank.

I have no idea where the *Times-News* gets the idea that there's a credit union anywhere near the center of downtown. Then there's the complaint that the march ended up at "a similar location of dubious importance to the greater movement: a bar." Wait a minute. Wasn't the American Revolution more or less born in the Green Dragon Tavern in Boston? That is where Paul Revere and the Sons of Liberty gathered to plot revenge against the British for the Boston Massacre on March 5, 1770. And guess where Thomas Jefferson passed around his Notes on the State of Virginia? The Raleigh Tavern. And taverns were where one could reliably find copies of the Declaration of Independence posted on the walls. So my take on the Occupiers is that

they got the spirit of the greater movement exactly right.

On purpose or not, they kicked off the local movement at the best place in town they could. And they ended up at an American institution: a bar. I'm not against the *Times-News* protesting a protest — but it ought to get its facts straight and avoid disparaging someone's trade. By the way, the Occupiers ended up at Woody's. And they showed up again a week later. They'll be here again next week. They're welcome. They're part of an age-old and time honored American tradition.

DAVID WOODHEAD  
Twin Falls

### More Taxation Won't Solve the Government's Financial Woes

So, its raise our taxes and reduce benefits. Same old malarkey. The powerful and well-connected (the rich) even have the rich saying raise their taxes, thus, justifying the raising of our tax-

es. This counter-productive dribble misses the point completely — but then it is meant to.

Let's not mention the government has doubled in size this last 10 years, mostly under Bush, by outstripping its constitutional boundaries in thousands of different ways. But, the "Super Committee" can't figure out what to do. What a joke. They are a joke.

What do you think will happen if "we the people" give these frauds more money? Do you really believe they would use it wisely? Hell no! They would just say, "Whew! (With much sweat) We got that one by the American people, now it is business as usual until they scream again. By then, however, they'll forget, and we can give the people the old clown act one more time."

God! How low can we go? With thieves at the helm — all the way to the bottom.

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I can be contacted anytime by email [rsojka@tfid.org](mailto:rsojka@tfid.org), phone 208-735-7287 <tel:208-735-7287>, or on Facebook at "Councilwoman Rebecca Mills Sojka."

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BY ANTHONY  
MCCARTNEY  
*Associated Press*

LOS ANGELES • Natalie Wood’s drowning death nearly 30 years ago came after a night of dinner, drinking and arguments but the question remains — was it anything more than a tragic accident?

Conflicting versions of what happened on the yacht shared by Wood, her actor-husband Robert Wagner and their friend, actor Christopher Walken, have contributed to the mystery of how the actress died on Thanksgiving weekend in 1981.

Two sheriff’s detectives are now diving into the mysterious events on the yacht Splendour, although whether they reach any different conclusions than their predecessors remains to be seen. They recently received new, seemingly credible information and heard from potential witnesses who weren’t included in the original investigation of Wood’s death, sheriff’s Lt. John Corina said Friday.

But he said nothing has happened to change the official view that Wood’s death was originally an accidental drowning. Wagner, the star of “Hart to Hart” is not considered a suspect, he added.

Corina released few details about who investigators have contacted or plan to re-interview, but the inquiry will certainly lead them to speak with the three survivors of the trip — Wagner, Walken and skipper Dennis Davern.

Wood’s sister, Lana, was not on the boat, but told CNN’s Piers Morgan on Friday that she has spoken with Davern many times and believes her sister did not fall off the boat.

“I don’t think she fell, I don’t know if she was pushed, I don’t know whether there was an altercation and it happened accidentally but she shouldn’t have died and that does stay with me and hurt,” Lana Wood said.

“I would prefer to always believe that RJ (Wagner) would never do anything to hurt Natalie and that he loved her dearly, which he did, and I don’t believe that whatever went on was deliberate.”

# Pope’s New Document Outlines Catholic Church Role in Africa

BY RUKMINI  
CALLIMACHI  
*Associated Press*

OUIDAH, Benin • In a basilica built in the heartland of Africa’s Voodoo religion, Pope Benedict XVI on Saturday unveiled a treatise outlining the role of the Roman Catholic Church on the continent, explaining how the faith can help address Africa’s chronic wars and interact with indigenous practices.

The immediate backdrop for the release of the 87-page guide for the faithful in Africa was the soaring basilica in this coastal town, a symbol of the church’s roots on the continent. But just 100 yards from the nave where Benedict was introducing the papal text, Voodoo priests in flowing robes sat inside their own temple, carefully listening to his words as they wafted outside across the basilica’s sound system.

Among the messages contained in the pope’s road map for Africa is an attempt to show how Catholicism has evolved from the rigid religion missionaries first brought to Ouidah, considered the cradle of Voodoo, a state religion in Benin alongside Christianity and Islam.

Catholics need to cultivate respect both for Islam and for traditional practices, the pope said in the document. He also encourages the study of indigenous beliefs to determine what aspects are helpful to the human condi-



ASSOCIATED PRESS  
*Pope Benedict XVI, greets a youth Saturday during his visit at the St. Rita Parish of Cotonou in the second of his three-day trip his trip to the Africa’s western coast country of Benin.*

tion. But he told bishops they must nevertheless discern which traditional practices clash with church doctrine so they can “separate the good seed from the weeds.”

“The church is open to co-operation with all the components of society, particularly with the representatives of the churches and ecclesial

communities not yet in full communion with the Catholic church,” the pope said as African priests and nuns held up camera phones in the pews of the packed basilica to record his message. “As well as with the representatives of the non-Christian religions, above all those of traditional reli-

# Brazil Official: Chevron Unprepared for Oil Leak

SAO PAULO (AP) • U.S.-based Chevron Corp. was not prepared for the offshore oil leak at one of its wells, the head of environmental affairs for Brazil’s federal police said Saturday.

Fabio Scliar said Chevron personnel at the well told his investigators that they were “completely unprepared to handle an emergency such as this.” He spoke to The Associated Press by telephone.

He said Chevron was alerted to the spill on Nov. 7 by Brazil’s state-run oil company Petrobras, which operates a well in a nearby region.

Ibama, Brazil’s environmental protection agency, said on Friday that nearly 110,000 gallons of oil may have spilled into the Atlantic Ocean. Chevron had earlier said that the spill totaled between 16,800 to

27,300 gallons.

Chevron said it is working to plug the seep and has sent 18 ships to monitor and clean it up.

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# USDA Targets Stores Suspected of Food Stamp Trafficking

BY LAURA CRIMALDI  
Associated Press

PROVIDENCE, R.I. • A criminal swindle of the nation's \$64.7 billion food stamp program is playing out at small neighborhood stores around the country, where thousands of retailers are suspected of trading deals with customers, exchanging lesser amounts of cash for their stamps.

Authorities say the stamps are then redeemed as usual by the unscrupulous merchants at face value, netting them huge profits and diverting as much as \$330 million in taxpayer funds annually a year. But the transactions are electronically recorded and federal investigators, wise to the practice, are closely monitoring thousands of convenience stores and mom-and-pop groceries in a push to halt the fraud.

Known as food stamp trafficking, the illegal buying or

selling of food stamps is a federal offense that has resulted in 597 convictions nationwide and \$197.4 million in fines, restitution and forfeiture orders, over the past three years, according to the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Office of the Inspector General. The USDA last month awarded a 10-year contract worth up to \$25 million to Fairfax, Va.-based SRA International, Inc., to step up the technology used to combat fraud.

"It's misuse of the program. It's a misuse of taxpayer dollars at a tough time. Not only the people who need the program are having a tough time, but the people who are paying for the program are having a tough time, too," said Kevin Concannon, USDA Undersecretary for Food, Nutrition and Consumer Services.

The fraud is almost always found among the 199,000 smaller stores that process

15 percent of the nation's total food stamp transactions, Concannon said.

In Providence, for example, federal prosecutors in August charged former 7-Eleven franchisee Syed Shah, 43, with conspiracy for letting customers turn in their stamps for lesser amounts of cash and purchase items like soap, over-the-counter medication and laundry detergent that are not allowed under USDA rules, court records show. Federal agents began investigating Shah's store in July 2008.

Agents said the practice brought an increase in sales. Christopher Robinson, a USDA special agent, said Shah "believed that if they did not give customers cash for the food stamp benefits then they would lose that business."

Shah has been given a chance to negotiate a plea deal, court records show. His attorney, Scott Lutes, de-

clined comment.

The modern food stamp program was created in 1977 to help low-income families. Benefits are loaded onto plastic debit cards that can only be redeemed at authorized stores. More than 45 million people were receiving benefits as of August, according to program figures, nearly half of them children.

Nationwide, 234,000 stores are authorized to accept food stamps, including 35,000 supermarkets where 85 percent of benefits are redeemed, Concannon said.

Last year, 931 stores nationally were dismissed from the food stamp program for trafficking and 907 others were sanctioned for lesser violations — 37 percent of the nearly 5,000 retailers being investigated. A March USDA report found more than 8 percent of the large and small stores, 210,000 in all, allowed people to cash in their benefits between 2006 and 2008.

# Giant Mound of Tires in S.C. Visible From Space

COLUMBIA, S.C. (AP) • The sprawling pile of hundreds of thousands of tires isn't easy to spot from the ground, sitting in a rural South Carolina clearing accessible by only a circuitous dirt path that winds through thick patches of trees. No one knows how all those tires got there, or when.

But, Calhoun County Council Chairman David Summers says of this giant rubber menace, "You can see it from space."

Authorities have charged one person in connection with the mess of roughly 250,000 tires, which covers more than 50 acres on satellite images. And now a Florida

company is helping haul it all away.

Litter control officer Boyce Till said he contacted the local sheriff and state health department, which is investigating who had been dumping the tires. But the worst possible penalty that could be imposed locally? A single \$475 ticket for littering.

Records show the property is owned by Michael Keitt Jr. of Far Rockaway, N.Y.

A phone number for Keitt could not be found, but local officials said the man was one of several heirs to the property, all of whom live out of state.

As part of the state Depart-

ment of Health and Environmental Control's case, a state grand jury issued indictments against George Fontella Brown, 39, of Easley, on three charges of violating the state's solid waste act, according to DHEC spokesman Adam Myrick. Those state charges carry much heavier possible penalties, including thousands of dollars in fines and up to a year in jail.

Myrick would not discuss details of the case against Brown, and a spokesman for state Attorney General Alan Wilson did not respond to messages. No working phone listing could be found for Brown, who also faces similar

charges in Greenville and Orangeburg counties, and court records did not list an attorney for him.

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RENO, Nev. (AP) • The estimated number of homes destroyed in a wind -fueled wildfire has more than doubled to a total of 32, but Gov. Brian Sandoval says it's a miracle scores more weren't lost. Reno Fire Chief Mike Hernandez said a re-evaluation of the 2,000 -acre burn on Saturday found much more destruction and damage than initially reported. The blaze spread by gale-force winds and ripped through the Sierra foothills early Friday, forcing the evacuation of nearly 10,000 people. Most started returning to their homes Saturday afternoon. The governor said after a helicopter tour of the area that while the loss of homes was a tragedy, the 400 firefighters on the lines are heroes for saving more than 4,000 houses that could have burned.



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Seif al-Islam Gadhafi Captured in Libya

BY RAMI AL-SHAHEIBI AND HADEEL AL-SHALCHI  
Associated Press

ZINTAN, Libya • Moammar Gadhafi's former heir apparent Seif al-Islam was captured by revolutionary fighters in the southern desert Saturday just over a month after his father was killed, setting off joyous celebrations across Libya and closing the door on the possibility that the fugitive son could stoke further insurrection. Seif al-Islam — who has undergone a transformation from a voice of reform in an eccentric and reviled regime to one of Interpol's most-wanted — now faces the prospect of trial before an international or Libyan court to answer for the alleged crimes of his late father's four-decade rule over the oil-rich North African nation. Thunderous celebratory gunfire shook the Libyan capital of Tripoli and other cities after Libyan officials said Seif al-Islam, who has been charged by the International Criminal Court for crimes against humanity, had been detained about 30

miles (50 kilometers) west of the town of Obari in an area that borders Niger, Mali and Algeria.

A photograph was circulated showing the 39-year-old son in custody, sitting by a bed and holding up three bandaged fingers as a guard looks on, although Osama Juwaid, a spokesman for the fighters from Zintan who made the arrest, said it was an old injury caused by a NATO airstrike and the detainee was otherwise in good health.

"I am hopeful that the capture of Gadhafi's son is the beginning of a chapter of transparency and democracy and freedom," Libya's interim Prime Minister Abdurrahim el-Keib at a news conference in the mountain town of Zintan, where Seif al-Islam was taken after his capture.

ICC prosecutor Luis Moreno Ocampo told The Associated Press that he will travel to Libya next week for talks with the country's transitional government on where the trial will take place.



Seif al-Islam



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Tear gas surrounds Egyptian riot police as they stand guard during clashes in Tahrir Square in Cairo, Egypt, Saturday.

Egypt Police Clash with Protesters Ahead of Vote

BY AYA BATRAWY  
Associated Press

CAIRO • Egyptian riot police firing tear gas and rubber bullets stormed into Cairo's Tahrir Square Saturday to dismantle a protest tent camp, setting off clashes that killed one protester, injured hundreds and raised tensions days before the first elections since Hosni Mubarak's ouster. The scenes of protesters fighting with black-clad police forces were reminiscent of the 18-day uprising that

forced an end to Mubarak's rule in February. Hundreds of protesters fought back, hurling stones and setting an armored police vehicle ablaze. The violence raised fears of new unrest surrounding the parliamentary elections that are due to begin on Nov. 28. Public anger has risen over the slow pace of reforms and apparent attempts by Egypt's ruling generals to retain power over a future civilian government. Witnesses said the clashes began when riot police

dismantled a small tent camp set up to commemorate the hundreds of protesters killed in the uprising and attacked around 200 peaceful demonstrators who had camped in the square overnight in an attempt to restart a long-term sit-in there. "Violence breeds violence," said Sahar Abdel-Mohsen, an engineer who joined in the protest after a call went out on Twitter urging people to come to Tahrir to defend against the police attacks. "We are tired of this

and we are not leaving the square?" Police fired rubber bullets, tear gas and beat protesters with batons, clearing the square at one point and pushing the fighting into surrounding side streets of downtown Cairo. A 23-year-old protester died from a gunshot, said Health Ministry official Mohammed el-Sherbeni. At least 676 people were injured, he said. Crowds swarmed an armored police truck, rocking

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Deficit Deal Failure Would Pose Crummy Choice for Congress

BY ANDREW TAYLOR  
Associated Press

WASHINGTON • If the deficit-cutting supercommittee fails, Congress will face a crummy choice. Lawmakers can allow payroll tax cuts and jobless aid for millions to expire or they extend them and increase the nation's \$15 trillion debt by at least \$160 billion. President Barack Obama and Democrats on the deficit panel want to use the committee's product to carry their jobs agenda. That includes cutting in half the 6.2 percent Social Security payroll tax and extending jobless benefits for people who have been unemployed for more than six months. Also caught up in what promises to be a chaotic legislative dash for the exits next month is the need to pass legislation to prevent an almost 30 percent cut in Medicare payments to doctors. Several popular business tax breaks and relief from the alternative minimum tax also expire at year's end. A debt plan from the supercommittee, it was hoped, would have served as a sturdy, filibuster-proof vehicle to tow all of these expiring provisions into law. But after months of negotiations, Republicans and Democrats were far apart on



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Senate Minority Whip Sen. Jon Kyl, R-Ariz., member of the Joint Select Committee on Deficit Reduction speaks to reporters on Capitol Hill in Washington, Saturday.

any possible compromise, and there was no indication of progress Saturday. Failure by the committee would leave lawmakers little time to pick up the pieces. And there's no guarantee it all can get done, especially given the impact of those measures on the spiraling debt. Instead of cutting the deficit with a tough, bipartisan budget deal, Congress could pivot to spending enormous sums on expiring big-ticket policies.

If lawmakers rebel against the cost, as is possible, they would bear responsibility for allowing policies such as the payroll tax cut, enacted a year ago to help prop up the economy, to lapse. Last year's extensions of jobless benefits and first-ever cut in the payroll tax were accomplished with borrowed money. The 2 percent payroll tax cut expiring in December gave 121 million families a tax cut averaging \$934 last year at a total cost of about \$120 billion, according to the Tax Policy Center. Obama wants to cut the payroll tax by another percentage point for workers at a total cost of \$179 billion and reduce the employer share of the tax in half as well for most companies, which carries a \$69 billion price tag. "The notion of imposing a new payroll tax on people after Jan. 1 in the midst of this recession on working families is totally counterproductive," said Sen. Dick Durbin of Illinois, the No. 2 Democrat in the Senate. Letting extended jobless assistance expire would mean that more than 6 million people would lose benefits averaging \$296 a week next year, with 1.8 million cut off within a month.

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POLICE ARREST PROTESTERS OCCUPYING DC BUILDING

BY BRETT ZONGKER  
Associated Press

WASHINGTON • District of Columbia police on Saturday arrested about 10 protesters after entering a city-owned building in downtown Washington that was being occupied by a group inspired by Occupy D.C. Supporters of the protesters cheered as officers led demonstrators outside in handcuffs and into two police vans. The group Free Franklin began occupying the four-story Franklin School on Saturday, protesting the lack of housing for homeless people. The historic building served as a homeless shelter until 2008. Participants with handkerchiefs over their faces lowered a banner from the roof that said "Public Property under Community Control." More than 60 supporters gathered in a park near the historic building and cheered the protesters. The building is two blocks from Occupy D.C.'s encampment. Spokeswoman Abigail DeRobertis said earlier Saturday that protesters plan to remain in the building indefinitely. Police watched as protesters hung the banner and later called firefighters and more officers to the scene.

Protesters said police and firefighters then entered the building with crow bars and other instruments. Supporters blocked alleys around the building and chanted, "We are the 99 percent." By early evening, the banner had come down. Demonstrators blocked alleys next to the building even after police officers went inside. A spokesperson for Mayor Vincent Gray told ABC7 in Washington that the protesters in the building at 13th and K Street, NW "will be removed and arrested."

Obama, China's Premier Talk Economics, South China Sea

BY KEITH B. RICHBURG  
The Washington Post

SHANGHAI • President Barack Obama and Chinese Premier Wen Jiabao held an unscheduled meeting Saturday morning on the sidelines of a summit of Asian leaders on the Indonesian island of Bali, and the two briefly discussed the territorial dispute in the South China Sea that has unnerved some of China's neighbors. National security adviser Thomas Donilon told reporters afterward that while

the United States took no position on the competing territorial claims to the potentially energy-rich South China Sea, it did have "an interest in the freedom of navigation, the free flow of commerce, the peaceful resolution of disputes." "We don't take sides in the claims," Donilon said. "But we do, as a global maritime power, have an interest in seeing these principles applied broadly." Donilon said the short meeting between Obama and Wen focused primarily

on economics, specifically the steps China could take, including continuing to allow its currency to appreciate, to help the global economic recovery. He said Wen requested the unplanned meeting so that the two leaders could continue a conversation begun Friday night at dinner. The Chinese side Saturday was slow in releasing any details of the Obama-Wen meetings. The surprise session came at the end of Obama's nine-day Asia trip, which began

with a stop in Hawaii and took him to Australia's northern coast and to the capital, Canberra, where he announced plans for a permanent U.S. military basing arrangement in the Pacific. The trip comes at a sensitive time for Obama back home, with a congressionally mandated "supercommittee" struggling to meet a Wednesday deadline to carve \$1.2 trillion in savings from the U.S. debt. Throughout the trip, Obama stressed that his mission was to find new markets in Asia for American

products and link the U.S. recovery to this region's dynamic growth. But a strong subtext of the administration's announced pivot to Asia has been shoring up long-standing alliances and reassuring traditional allies that the United States would help counter a newly assertive China, which is increasing its military spending and pressing its territorial claims in the region. The new administration focus on Asia has unnerved

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Economist say those jobless benefits — up to 99 weeks of them in high unemployment states — are among the most effective way to stimulate the economy because unemployed people generally spend the money right away.

“We will have to address those issues,” Durbin said.

Extending benefits to the long-term unemployed would cost almost \$50 billion under Obama’s plan. Preventing the Medicare payment cuts to doctors for an additional 18 months to two years would in all likelihood cost \$26 billion to \$32 billion more.

Lawmakers also had hoped to renew some tax breaks for business and prevent the alternative minimum tax from sticking more than 30 million taxpayers with higher tax bills. Those items could be addressed retroactively next year, but only increase the uncertainty among already nervous consumers and investors.

This time, Obama wants them to be paid for. But a move by Democrats to try to finance jobs measures with hundreds of billions of dollars in savings from drawing down troops in Iraq and Afghanistan has gotten a cold shoulder from top Republicans.

“I’ve made it pretty clear that those savings that are coming to us as a result of the wind-down of the war in Iraq and the war in Afghanistan should be banked, should not be used to offset other spending,” said House Speaker John Boehner, R-Ohio. He did not address whether war savings could be used to extend expiring tax cuts.

Those savings are the natural result of national security strategies unrelated to the federal budget. Deficit hawks say tapping into them is simply an accounting gimmick.

“It’s just the worst of all worlds if that were to happen,” said Maya MacGuineas, president of the Committee for a Responsible Federal Budget.

## Egypt

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it back and forth and setting it ablaze.

After nightfall, protesters swarmed back into the square in the thousands, setting tires ablaze in the street and filling the area with an acrid, black smoke screen. Police appeared to retreat to surrounding areas, leaving protesters free to retake and barricade themselves inside the square. The air was still thick with stinging tear gas.

Shortly before midnight, police pushed back toward the square, firing more tear gas and drawing a barrage of stones from the protesters holding the site.

Prime Minister Essam Sharaf urged the protesters to clear the square.

“What is happening in Tahrir is very dangerous and threatens the course of the nation and the revolution,” the Cabinet warned in a statement.

Saturday’s confrontation was one of the few since the uprising to involve police forces, which have largely stayed in the background while the military takes charge of security. There was

no military presence in and around the square on Saturday.

The black-clad police were a hated symbol of Mubarak’s regime.

“The people want to topple the regime,” shouted enraged crowds, reviving the chant from the early days of the uprising. Crowds also screamed: “Riot police are thugs and thieves” and “Down with the Marshal,” referring to Field Marshal Hussein Tantawi, Egypt’s military ruler.

Some of the wounded had blood streaming down their faces and many had to be carried out of the square by fellow protesters to waiting ambulances.

Human rights activists accused police of using excessive force.

One prominent activist, Malek Mostafa, lost his right eye from a rubber bullet, said Ghada Shahbender, a member of the Egyptian Organization for Human Rights.

At least four protesters were injured in the eyes as a result of what Shahbender said were orders to target protesters’ heads.

“It is a crime,” she said. “They were shooting rubber bullets directly at the heads. ... I heard an officer ordering

his soldiers to aim for the head.”

A videojournalist for the Egyptian newspaper Al-Masry al-Youm, Ahmed Abdel-Fatah, was also hit in the eye by a rubber bullet and was undergoing surgery.

Police arrested 18 people, state TV reported, describing the protesters as rioters.

Protests were also held Saturday in the Red Sea port city of Suez, where a crowd of thousands attacked a police station, with some hurling firebombs at the building, said protester Ahmed Khafagi.

In Alexandria, hundreds of people threw stones at the main security headquarters, said protester Ahmed Abdel-Qader. He said it felt like the revolution was starting all over again.

“We only managed to bring down the head of the regime. The rest of the tree is still standing,” he said.

A day earlier, tens of thousands of Islamists and young activists had massed in Tahrir Square to protest Egypt’s ruling military council, which took control of the country after Mubarak’s ouster and has been harshly criticized for its oversight of the bumpy transition period.

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China, with some analysts and the state-run media, accusing the United States of trying to impose its dominance on the region as it winds down the decade-long conflicts in Afghanistan and Iraq. An editorial Saturday by Xinhua, the state news agency, said the U.S. “pivot” has stirred strong suspicions among countries in the region.

“What they need right now is a reliable partner, not a country that yearns for leadership and intends to act as an arbitrator,” said Xinhua, whose editorials often reflect the views of the ruling Communist Party. “If the United States sticks to its Cold War mentality and continues to engage with Asian nations in a self-assertive way, it is doomed to incur repulsion in the region.”

Donilon said the administration has stressed to Beijing that although the United States will continue to support

its allies and contribute to regional stability, that does not mean it will seek confrontation with China or try to block China’s rise.

“We’ve also been quite direct with the Chinese about our strategy here, and I think they understand and appreciate that we are going to meet our obligations here, that we are going to meet our commitments to partners and allies,” Donilon said.

He said America’s partners “want to know that the United States is going to play the role it’s played with respect to security and reassurances and balancing and stability here. But they also expect that the United States would engage ... in a productive and constructive relationship with the Chinese.”

Linking the economic talks with China to security issues in the South China Sea, Donilon said the overall theme of the U.S. discussions was getting China to recognize and abide by international “rules and norms.”

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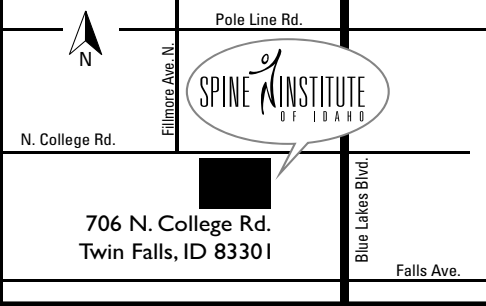
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*This undated image provided by NASA shows technicians working on the new Mars rover, Curiosity.*

# Mars Lab: It's a Mission of Curiosity

BY MARC KAUFMAN  
*The Washington Post*

NASA's most high-stakes, ambitious planetary mission in decades is scheduled to launch next week with a goal right out of science fiction: to learn whether Mars was, or ever could be, home to extra-terrestrial life.

If the unmanned Mars Science Laboratory lifts off and travels a 354 million-mile path to Mars, it will lower to the surface a sedan-size rover called Curiosity, which has the potential to change our understanding of the cosmos.

The \$2.5 billion mission comes at a crucial time for NASA. The agency faces intense budget scrutiny as it seeks to find a post-space-shuttle identity. Furthermore, NASA is under great pressure to justify its spending. With the project 30 percent over budget and two years late, much rides on its outcome. A failure would embolden doubters who argue that the country can't afford NASA.

A success could do the opposite and possibly lead the way to further exploration and a push to send astronauts to the planet.

"With this mission, we really enter the modern era of astrobiology, the search for life beyond Earth," said James Green, NASA's director of planetary sciences. "And we have the technology and know-how to make some extraordinary discoveries."

While the agency's past six Mars missions have succeeded, flying to our nearest planetary neighbor remains inherently difficult. Overall, more than two-thirds of the 43 Mars missions — including flybys, orbiters and landers — attempted by space agencies around the world have failed.

In addition, NASA is attempting something it has never done in the science-lab mission: It will use a new multistage landing system to lower the one-ton rover on a tether that some are likening to a "sky crane." If it succeeds, the system is expected to be the prototype for rover landings on Mars and elsewhere.

The Mars Science Laboratory was initially scheduled to launch in 2008, but technical problems remained unsolved in the months before liftoff and cost overruns made them impossible to fix quickly.

The new window to launch opens Friday and lasts about three weeks. If all goes according to plan, the spaceship will get to Mars in August.

Despite attempts by the then-Soviet Union, Russia and other nations, the United States is the only country that has flown to Mars and landed a working spacecraft on its surface. (The Soviets touched down twice, but the landers failed.) NASA has had a successful Martian touchdown and mission six times, including its two Viking landers in 1976.

Viking was a fledgling life-detection mission, but the scale of the Curiosity endeavor is so much greater than past efforts that many are putting it into a category of its own.

The rover is twice as long as the next-largest ever sent into space, and it will carry 10 of the most sophisticated science instruments ever deployed. It can also drill holes in the surface, shoot lasers at rocks and analyze the chemical content in the resulting spark, and drive as far as 12 miles in its almost two-year lifetime. In addition, scientists have the benefit of 35 additional years of research into conditions on Mars and what life needs to survive.

The rover is supposed to land near the base of a three-mile-high layered mountain inside the Gale Crater. Curiosity is designed to climb the mountain and investigate whether any of those layers, formed during different Martian eras, preserved evidence of conditions favorable for the genesis and survival of microbial life.

Curiosity will be looking for evidence that water once ran on or near the surface in what is now the central Gale Crater mountain. "Follow the water" has long been NASA's mantra for Mars exploration, because liquid water is believed to be necessary (though not sufficient) for life.

"The portion of the crater where Curiosity will land has an alluvial fan likely formed by water-carried sediments," said John Grotzinger, project scientist for the Mars Science Laboratory at the California Institute of Technology in Pasadena. "Layers at the base of the mountain contain clays and sulfates, both known to form in water."

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At 8-1, San Francisco 49ers Turn to Conquering the NFC West • S4

# Moore's 4 TDs Lift Broncos Past Aztecs

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**SAN DIEGO** • Kellen Moore completed 28 of 40 passes for 366 yards and four touchdowns, three to Tyler Shoemaker, and No. 10 Boise State benefited from three San Diego State turnovers to race to a 52-35 victory Saturday night.

The Broncos (9-1, 4-1 Mountain West) bounced back from a 36-35 loss to TCU a week earlier in Boise.

San Diego State (6-4, 3-3) remained winless in 19 games against Associated Press top 10 teams since 1969. Overall, the Aztecs are 6-59 against Top 25 teams.

Shoemaker had 10 catches for 130 yards. Doug Martin carried 36 times for 129 yards and two touchdowns.

It was Moore's 23rd straight game with multiple touchdown passes, the longest current streak in Division I. He was intercepted once, just his sixth of the season.

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Boise State linebacker Byron Hout, left, breaks up a pass intended for San Diego State wide receiver Dylan Denso (10) in the first quarter of their game Saturday.

# CSI Loses Final Match, Settles for Sixth Place at Nationals

TIMES-NEWS

The College of Southern Idaho volleyball team hoped it had one more victory in it to close out the 2011 season.

And has typically been the case in its losses, it was perhaps just a point or two from potentially claiming victory. Instead, the fifth-seeded Golden Eagles fell in five sets to sixth-seeded Iowa Western, 20-25, 26-24, 25-10, 22-25, 15-8 to take sixth place at the NJCAA Division I national tournament in West Plains, Mo.

Top-seeded Blinn College (Texas) validated its status as the top team entering the tournament, defeated third-ranked Western Wyoming, 25-19, 25-22, 23-25, 25-23. Blinn's Shelby Dickson earned most valuable player honors, while CSI's Beth Carey earned all-tournament team honors. CSI finishes the season 24-12.

# COIN TOSS: WORTH FLIPPING OUT OVER?

ASSOCIATED PRESS

New Orleans Saints coach Sean Payton can't be bothered to pay attention to which of his players calls "heads" or "tails" for the coin toss before the opening kickoff of a game or overtime.

He's sure of one thing, though: "I don't know that I'd want to go to Las Vegas with them," Payton said.

Good thinking. No way would it make sense to gamble with this bunch. The Saints are 0-11 on coin flips this season, the sort of thing that might make a micromanaging NFL head coach, well, flip out.

"It's kind of ridiculous at this point," New Orleans quarterback Drew Brees said.

And while the Saints are 7-3 and lead the NFC South despite coming up short every single time on what should be a 50-50 proposition, coin-toss statistics — yes, they do exist — show that the NFL team that won the pregame flip wound up winning 52.1 percent of

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Former CSI basketball player Andre Wakefield bows to the crowd after receiving his 1976 national championship ring during halftime of the K&T Steel Tournament Saturday night in Twin Falls. Go to [Magicvalley.com/gallery](http://Magicvalley.com/gallery) to see more photos of the CSI basketball game.

# Lasting Memories for '76 CSI Title Team

BY STEPHEN MEYERS

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Eric Hovey left guests in stitches at the Turf Club Saturday morning.

The former College of Southern Idaho guard told stories about "Grant Time" and how his coach Boyd Grant made the team do wall sits while he shouted instructions.

He talked about star player Andre Wakefield and his fear of dogs (and the incredible game he played because of that fear) and Grant talked about the early days of the K&T Steel Tournament — now in its 35th year — at a

luncheon to honor the tournament and its special guests from CSI's 1976 championship team.

"The more teams we can get here, the more teams we can beat," Grant said of the tournament.

At halftime of CSI's win over Treasure Valley, Grant, Hovey, Wakefield and other members of the program's first championship team were honored with the rings they never received in 1976.

Jeff Wiggam, Bruce Ware, Jim Marshall, Ed Nickols, Dennis Bowyer and Dean Harding made the trip to Twin Falls from various

reaches of the country to receive their wings.

"I just want to thank the good people of Twin Falls and the good time they gave me while I was here," Wakefield said Saturday morning. "It was an honor to play for CSI, the best junior college program in the country."

Hovey told an infamous story about the team's trip to Rangely, Colo. to play Colorado Northwestern in the 1975-76 season. The Golden Eagles played in front of a near-empty gym in a rout over Colorado Northwestern, except one fan (and his dog) stood out.

Please see **REUNION, S3**

CSI's Fabyon Harris, center and Rafriel Guthrie make sure the ball goes in against Chemeketa Community College during the K&T Steel Tournament Saturday night in Twin Falls.



# SWILLING'S STROKE CHILLING FOR CSI FOE

BY STEPHEN MEYERS

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Another night, another name delivering for the Golden Eagles.

Pat Swilling played the best game of his College of Southern Idaho career, exploding for 37 points to lead this deep CSI team over Treasure Valley (Ore.) 126-104 Saturday night to cap the 35th annual K&T Steel Tournament.

Swilling sank six 3-pointers, showing a solid stroke and proving his early-morning shoot around paid off.

"I got up and came to the gym just to get loose and shoot a little bit. I shot pretty well last night, but I knew I could shoot

better," Swilling said. "I might have to make that my routine every game now!"

His best play of the night might not have even been a bucket. Early in the first half, Swilling came away with a loose ball and directed a fast break with a nifty one-handed bounce pass between two defenders to Fabyon Harris, who finished and converted the and-one after being fouled.

The play put the Golden Eagles (6-1) up 23-8 and Chemeketa never really put a dent in the lead the rest of the night as CSI built a 59-40 lead by halftime and maintained a 20-point lead throughout the second half.

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# ISU FINISHES YEAR ON A LOSING NOTE

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**POCATELLO** • Bo Levi Mitchell passed for 397 yards and four touchdowns to lead Eastern Washington to a 45-14 victory over Idaho State on Saturday.

Mitchell connected with Nicholas Edwards for three touchdown passes. Ashton Clark added a 13-yard TD catch as Mitchell picked Idaho State's zone defense apart.

With the victory, Eastern Washington (6-5, 4-4 Big Sky) finished with its 14th winning season in the last

16 years.

Idaho State (2-9, 1-7) lost for the eighth consecutive time.

Idaho State lost Rodrick Rumble, the leading receiver in the FCS in average receptions per game with 10.70, when he was ejected for throwing a punch with 8:53 left in the second quarter. Rumble finished with five catches for 62 yards.

Mitchell, the FCS leader in total offense at 346 yards per game, finished with 433 as he rushed for 36 yards in addition to his passing accolades.



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*Idaho quarterback Brian Reader (14) looks for an open receiver in the first half against Utah State.*

## VANDALS CAN'T GET OVER HUMP VS. UTAH STATE

BY JOSH WRIGHT

For the Times-News

**MOSCOW** • Over and over Saturday, the Idaho Vandals found themselves in position to win or keep alive one of the zaniest games inside the Kibbie Dome in years.

A field goal from place-kicker Trey Farquhar came within inches of curling inside the left upright. Brian Reader's pass to an outstretched Mike Scott, who had one toe down near the sideline, looked to be a catch.

And in a last-gasp attempt, UI came within two yards of extending the game.

But the Vandals could only shake their heads about the final minutes – and myriad other missed chances – after a 49-42 double-overtime loss to Utah State in front of 8,216 fans.

The 3-hour, 50-minute game ended on Bobby Wagner's interception of Reader at the goal line on fourth down.

The Vandals, after perhaps the most crushing loss in a season full of what-ifs, are now 2-9 and 1-5 in the WAC. They've lost four contests this year by a touchdown or less, two of which went to OT.

"It was an exciting football game with an ending that wasn't worth a darn," said Idaho coach Robb Akey, summing up an emotional day that started with UI honoring 20 seniors before the final home game of their careers.

Utah State (5-5, 3-2) fumbled twice in final 8:59 of regulation and officials repeatedly overturned calls that would have sealed the

game for the Aggies. Yet the Vandals responded with a missed 44-yard field goal from Trey Farquhar and a possession in the last two minutes marred by two critical penalties that pushed them out of field goal range.

Idaho grabbed the lead, 42-35, in the first overtime on the third rushing touchdown of the day from linebacker Korey Toomer, who took a sweep and hurdled over the goal-line pile for the TD.

But USU's Robert Turbin, who had 208 yards on the ground, responded with a rushing TD. Then he started the second OT with his third score on the ground.

The Vandals took over, and Reader promptly threw what appeared to be a game-ending interception in the end zone. Tailback Kama Bailey, disgusted by the apparent end, ripped off his helmet and chucked it toward midfield.

Yet the replay officials overturned the call, and two plays later UI's Daniel Micheletti made an improbable diving catch on fourth-and-6 – after Reader had been hit as he threw – to keep the drive going.

The Vandals marched to the 2-yard line, but a delay of game penalty on fourth down pushed them back before Reader – looking for Scott in the middle of the end zone – was picked off by Wagner.

"Unbelievable," said USU coach Gary Andersen. "We continue to live on the edge. We're finding a way to get those wins at the end. Idaho fought, just like they have all year long. The Aggies fought, just as they have all year long."

sponded with a 5-yard scoring pass to Shoemaker.

The Aztecs forced a punt but Leon McFadden fumbled it and Josh Borgman recovered at the SDSU 10. Mitch Burroughs scored on an 11-yard run.

SDSU's Brandon Davis returned the ensuing kickoff 17 yards before he fumbled when hit by Blake Renaud, with Corey Bell recovering at the 23. Moore's 14-yard scoring pass to Shoemaker was BSU's second touchdown in a span of six plays.

SDSU redshirt freshman Adam Muema scored on an 81-yard run on the next possession.

The Broncos, whose only other appearance in San Diego was a loss to TCU in the 2008 Poinsettia Bowl, continued to pile it on in the second quarter and led 42-14 at halftime.

### TOP 25 COLLEGE FOOTBALL ROUNDUP

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**EUGENE, Ore.** • Matt Barkley threw for 323 yards and four touchdowns and the No. 18 USC Trojans held off No. 4 Oregon 38-35 on Saturday night when Alejandro Maldonado missed a 37-yard field goal to tie the game with five seconds left.

Trailing 24-7 in the third quarter, Oregon mounted a furious comeback and narrowed it to 38-35 with 7:05 left in the fourth quarter. Barkley led his team to the Oregon 15, but Marc Tyler fumbled and the ball was recovered by the Ducks with 2:54 to go.

Oregon marched down the field but Maldonado's kick, which was brought five yards closer because of a USC penalty, went wide left.

The loss snaps a 21-game winning streak for the Ducks (9-2, 7-1 Pac-12) at Autzen Stadium, which was the longest in the nation. It also stopped Oregon's winning streak in conference games at 19.

Robert Woods, who was held out of some practices this week with ankle and shoulder injuries, caught seven passes for 53 yards and two scores. With the victory, USC (9-2, 6-2) kept the Ducks from clinching a spot in the inaugural Pac-12 championship game.

**NO. 25 BAYLOR 45, NO. 5 OKLAHOMA 38 WACO, Texas** • Robert Griffin threw for 479 yards and four touchdowns, including a 34-yarder to Terrance Williams with 8 seconds left and 25th-ranked Baylor beat the Sooners for the first time while giving potentially a fatal blow to the Sooners' national title hopes.

The Sooners (8-2, 5-2 Big 12) had overcome a two-touchdown deficit to tie the game on Blake Bell's fourth touchdown run, a 6-yarder with 51 seconds left. The Bears then went 80 yards in five plays, with Griffin scrambling for runs of 22 and 8 yards before then finding Williams in the back corner for the end zone.

**NO. 1 LSU 52, MISSISSIPPI 3 OXFORD, Miss.** • Ron Brooks returned an interception for a touchdown 28 seconds into the game and top-ranked LSU never looked back, piling up 353 yards rushing on the way to a rout of Mississippi.

The Tigers (11-0, 7-0 Southeastern Conference), who matched their best start since 1958, built a 35-3 half-time lead.

Quarterback Jordan Jefferson started his second consecutive game, completing 7 of 7 passes for 88 yards and a touchdown. Alfred Blue led the Tigers with 74 rushing yards while Spencer Ware added 70 yards and a touch-



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*Michigan running back Stephen Hopkins (33) runs during the third quarter of a college football game against Nebraska in Ann Arbor, Mich.*

down. Ole Miss (2-9, 0-7) has lost six straight games and a school-record 13 straight conference games. Barry Brunetti rushed for a team-high 74 yards as the Rebels managed just 195 total yards.

**NO. 2 ALABAMA 45, GEORGIA SOUTHERN 21 TUSCALOOSA, Ala.** • Trent Richardson rushed for 175 yards and scored three touchdowns to power Alabama.

Alabama needed Richardson more than expected against the FCS Eagles (9-2). The Heisman Trophy candidate ran 32 times, caught a 4-yard touchdown pass and broke Shaun Alexander's school single-season mark of 19 rushing touchdowns.

**NO. 16 KANSAS STATE 17, TEXAS 13 AUSTIN, Texas** • Collin Klein ran for one touchdown and passed for another and No. 16 Kansas State overcame a suffocating Texas defense.

Klein was sacked five times and Kansas State (9-2, 6-2 Big 12) managed just 121 total yards, but still pulled out the win behind Klein's 16-yard touchdown pass to Chris Harper with 9 seconds left in the first half and his 3-yard scoring run in the third quarter.

**NO. 14 WISCONSIN 69, WOFFORD 33 MADISON, Wis.** • Josh Gasser scored 16 points and No. 14 Wisconsin finished the first half on a 19-2 run.

**NO. 18 VANDERBILT 86, NORTH CAROLINA ST. 79 EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J.** • John Jenkins scored 28 points and Vanderbilt closed the

game on a 10-2 run in the semifinals of the TicketCity Legends Classic.

**NO. 6 ARKANSAS 44, MISSISSIPPI STATE 17 LITTLE ROCK, Ark.** • Tyler Wilson had a school-record 32 completions for Arkansas and threw for 365 yards and three touchdowns.

**NORTH CAROLINA STATE 37, CLEMSON 13 RALEIGH, N.C.** • Mike Glennon threw three touchdown passes and North Carolina State shut down Clemson's explosive offense.

**NO. 11 HOUSTON 37, SMU 7 HOUSTON** • Case Keenum set the Football Bowl Subdivision career record for completions, threw a touchdown pass and ran for another score as Houston stayed unbeaten.

**NO. 18 VANDERBILT 86, NORTH CAROLINA ST. 79 EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J.** • John Jenkins scored 28 points and Vanderbilt closed the game on a 10-2 run in the semifinals of the TicketCity Legends Classic.

Jenkins, who missed the Commodores' last game with a sprained right ankle, had 20 points in the first half of a game that was close until Vanderbilt (3-1) took the lead for good with a spurt that started with 2:16 to play.

**NO. 12 MICHIGAN STATE 55, INDIANA 3 EAST LANSING, Mich.** • Kirk Cousins threw for 273 yards and three touchdowns in just over a half and Michigan State (9-2, 6-1) clinched a spot in the Big Ten champi-

onship game.

**NO. 13 GEORGIA 19, KENTUCKY 10 ATHENS, Ga.** • Aaron Murray threw a touchdown pass to Marlon Brown on the first play of the fourth quarter, Blair Walsh kicked four field goals and Georgia clinched a spot in the SEC championship game.

**NO. 14 SOUTH CAROLINA 34, THE CITADEL 20 COLUMBIA, S.C.** • South Carolina's Connor Shaw threw for 217 yards and three touchdowns, including Alshon Jeffery's first scoring catch in more than a month.

**NO. 15 WISCONSIN 28, ILLINOIS 17 CHAMPAIGN, Ill.** • Montee Ball rushed for 224 yards and scored three times, and Wisconsin (9-2, 5-2) forced four turnovers in a comeback victory.

**NO. 19 TCU 34, COLORADO STATE 10 FORT WORTH, Texas** • Antoine Hicks, Ed Wesley and Matthew Tucker ran for touchdowns and Tank Carder returned an interception 69 yards for a touchdown, helping TCU win at least a share of the Mountain West title.

**NO. 20 MICHIGAN 45, NO. 17 NEBRASKA 17 ANN ARBOR, Mich.** • Denard Robinson threw two touchdown passes and ran for two scores to help Michigan keep alive hopes for earning a BCS at-large bid.

**NO. 21 PENN STATE 20, OHIO STATE 14 COLUMBUS, Ohio** • Penn State (9-2, 6-1) earned a share of the Big Ten's Leaders Division title and set up a division title game next week at Wisconsin. The winner will play in the conference's first championship game on Dec. 3.

In what was expected to be a defensive struggle, the teams did all of their scoring in the opening half before the defenses took over.

**NO. 24 NOTRE DAME 16, BOSTON COLLEGE 14 SOUTH BEND, Ind.** • Jonas Gray rushed for a touchdown, David Ruffer kicked three field goals and Notre Dame held off Boston College.

**VIRGINIA 14, NO. 23 FLORIDA STATE 13 TALLAHASSEE, Fla.** • Kevin Parks ran 10 yards for a touchdown with 1:16 left Saturday to give Virginia the lead and Florida State's Dustin Hopkins missed a 42-yard field-goal attempt in the closing seconds as the Cavaliers upset No. 23 Florida State to set up a showdown with intrastate rival Virginia Tech for a spot in the Atlantic Coast Conference championship game.

## BSU

Continued from S1

With 13,782 yards, Moore moved past Philip Rivers, formerly of North Carolina State and currently of the San Diego Chargers, for sixth place in Division I career passing yards. His four TD passes gave him 134 for his career, moving him into a second-place tie in Division I with Graham Harrell of Texas Tech (2005-08).

As if the powerful Broncos needed any help, the Aztecs gave it to them and the game quickly became a laughter. San Diego State had three turnovers in the first 9:42 that helped Boise State take a 21-0 lead.

On the third play from scrimmage, Broncos defensive end Shea McClellin intercepted Ryan Lindley at the SDSU 24. Moore re-

### REGIONAL ROUNDUP

## Ground Game Leads Montana Past Montana State

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**BOZEMAN, Mont.** • Peter Nguyen and Dan Moore each ran for more than 100 yards and a touchdown, and Jordan Johnson threw two scoring passes as Montana dominated Montana State for a 36-10 victory Saturday that left the rivals sharing the Big Sky Conference championship.

With the victory, Montana (9-2, 7-1) earned the league's automatic berth in the FCS playoffs. The Bobcats (9-2, 7-1) also are assured of a spot in postseason play.

Nguyen had 123 yards and a 21-yard TD run in the fourth quarter – his first rushing score of the season. Moore added 116 yards and a 37-yard touchdown run in the third quarter that gave Montana a 29-7 lead.

Jordan was 15 for 31 for 164 yards passing, including a 79-yard TD to Jabin Sambrano on the Grizzlies' first possession of the second half. DeNarius McGhee connected with Elvis Akpla on a 7-yard touchdown for the Bobcats.

**UCLA 45, COLORADO 6. PASADENA, Calif.** • Kevin Prince threw for 225 yards and hit tight end Joseph Fauria with two of his career-high four touchdown passes, and UCLA moved within one victory of an improbable Pac-12 South title.

Johnathan Franklin rushed for 162 yards and a score, while Shaq Evans and Nelson Rosario also caught TD passes for the Bruins (6-5, 5-3), who would play in the Pac-12's inaugural title game if they can beat archrival Southern Cal-



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*Montana quarterback Jordan Johnson (10) throws a 79-yard touchdown pass against Montana State in the third quarter of their game in Bozeman, Mont.*

ifornia next weekend.

**SAN JOSE STATE 27, NAVY 24 SAN JOSE, Calif.** • Brandon Rutley rushed for 132 yards and two touchdowns and caught a career-high eight passes for another 101 yards, lifting San Jose State over Navy.

Matt Faulkner passed for 345 yards and the go-ahead touchdown as the Spartans (4-7) ended a three-game losing streak. Ryan Otten also caught eight passes for 101 yards. Kriss Proctor rushed for 82 yards and a pair of touchdowns for Navy (4-7), which had its

streak of eight straight years in a bowl game end. Proctor also threw for 90 yards.

**AIR FORCE 45, UNLV 17 AIR FORCE ACADEMY, Colo.** • Asher Clark rushed for a career-high 169 yards, Wesley Cobb scored twice and Air Force kept its bowl hopes alive.

Quarterback Tim Jefferson looked sharp in his return from a concussion as the Falcons (6-5, 2-4 Mountain West) beat the Rebels (2-8, 1-4) for a fifth straight time.

**UTAH 30, WASHINGTON STATE 27 PULLMAN, Wash.** • Coleman Petersen kicked a 38-yard field goal in the first overtime as Utah beat Washington State 30-27 on a snowy Saturday.

Washington State (4-7, 2-6 Pac-12) got the first possession of overtime, and quarterback Connor Halliday was intercepted by Mo Lee, his second of the game.

**WEBER STATE 48, PORTLAND STATE 33 PORTLAND, Ore.** • Raft River High product C.J. Tuckett rushed for 211 yards and five touchdowns to lead Weber State over Portland State.

Tuckett, who's listed as the second-string running back, got off to an impressive start when he ran for a 53-yard score on a fourth-down play to give Weber State (5-6, 5-3 Big Sky) a 7-0 lead. He scored again just before halftime, on a 1-yard run, to put the Wildcats in front of Portland State (7-4, 5-3) 27-20.





# SCOREBOARD

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## Odds

NFL Today			UNDERDOG
FAVORITE	OPEN	TODAY/U	
at Atlanta	6½	6 (44)	Tennessee
at Miami	2	2 (43)	Buffalo
at Baltimore	9	7 (40½)	Cincinnati
at Cleveland	1½	1 (34)	Jacksonville
at Minnesota	+1½	1 (45½)	Oakland
at Detroit	7	7 (47½)	Carolina
at Green Bay	14½	14 (48½)	Tampa Bay
Dallas	7½	7 (41½)	at Washington
at San Francisco	10	10 (40½)	Arizona
at St. Louis	3	3 (39)	Seattle
at Chicago	4	3½ (45)	San Diego
at N.Y. Giants	3½	5 (45½)	Philadelphia
Tomorrow			
at New England	14½	15 (46½)	Kansas City
NCAA Basketball			
FAVORITE	LINE	UNDERDOG	
at Ohio	12½	Arkansas St.	
at Nebraska	12½	Rhode Island	
at Florida St.	22	South Alabama	
Iowa-x	2	Creighton	
at Michigan St.	21	UALR	
at Saint Louis	1	Washington	
Washington St.	1	at Portland	
Cal St.-Fullerton-y	6½	Houston Baptist	
at La-Lafayette	10	Nicholls St.	
Lehigh-z	3	E. Kentucky	
at Liberty	4½	William & Mary	
Duquesne	2	at Valparaiso	
at Iowa St.	9½	W. Carolina	
at South Carolina	13	Tennessee St.	
at Oregon	14½	SE Missouri	
E. Illinois	3½	at N. Illinois	
Loyola of Chicago	3½	at Furman	
at N. Iowa	13½	N. Colorado	
Montana	5	at San Diego	
at UAB	5	Murray St.	
x:at Des Moines, Iowa			
y:at Lafayette, La.			
z:at Lynchburg, Va.			
Puerto Rico Tipoff			
At San Juan, Puerto Rico			
Seventh Place	2	Colorado	
Fifth Place	5½	Maryland	
Third Place			
Temple	Pk	Wichita St.	
Championship			
Alabama	Pk	Purdue	
Directv Charleston Classic			
At Charleston, S.C.			
Seventh Place			
VCU	9½	W. Kentucky	
Fifth Place			
Georgia Tech	4	LSU	
Third Place			
Tulsa	3	Saint Joseph's	
Championship			
Northwestern	3½	Seton Hall	
Paradise Jam			
At Charlotte Amalie, Virgin Islands			
Semifinals			
TCU	7½	Norfolk St.	
Marquette	5	Mississippi	

## High School Basketball

<b>Richfield girls 46, Rockland 12</b>					
<b>Richfield</b>	7	20	16	3	-46
<b>Rockland</b>	2	6	4	0	-12
<b>Richfield (46)</b>					
Kent 6, D. Edwards 11, S. Edwards 3, Smith 3, Irwin 1, M. Edwards 14, Cenarrusa 5, King 3. Totals 16 11-20.					
<b>Rockland (12)</b>					
Bolt 4, Turnbaugh 2, Tayson 5, Farr 1. Totals 4 4-13.					
3-point field goals: Richfield 3 (D. Edwards, S. Edwards, Smith). Total fouls: Richfield 15, Rockland 16.					

<b>Raft River girls 32, North Gem 21</b>					
<b>North Gem</b>	7	5	5	-21	
<b>Raft River</b>	12	10	7	3	-32
<b>North Gem (21)</b>					
Simmons 1, Millward 2, Crump 5, Holbrook 4, Guthrie 1, Christensen 8, Totals 9-10.					
<b>Raft River (32)</b>					
Adams 23, Hansen 7, Montoya 1, Hitt 3, Holtman 15, Whitaker 2, Totals 12 5-10.					
3-point field goals: Raft River 1 (Hansen). Total fouls: North Gem 11, Raft River 11					

## NFL

STANDINGS	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
AMERICAN						
East						
New England	6	3	0	.667	259	200
Buffalo	5	4	0	.556	229	218
N.Y. Jets	5	5	0	.500	228	217
Miami	2	7	0	.222	158	178
SOUTH						
Houston	7	3	0	.700	273	166
Tennessee	5	4	0	.556	186	172
Jacksonville	3	6	0	.333	113	166
Indianapolis	0	10	0	.000	131	300
NORTH	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Pittsburgh	7	3	0	.700	220	179
Baltimore	6	3	0	.667	225	152
Cincinnati	6	3	0	.667	212	164
Cleveland	3	6	0	.333	131	183
WEST	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Oakland	5	4	0	.556	208	233
Denver	5	5	0	.500	205	247
San Diego	4	5	0	.444	216	228
Kansas City	4	5	0	.444	141	218
NATIONAL						
East						
N.Y. Giants	6	3	0	.667	218	211
Dallas	5	4	0	.556	223	182
Philadelphia	3	6	0	.333	220	203
Washington	3	6	0	.333	136	178
SOUTH	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
New Orleans	7	3	0	.700	313	228
Atlanta	5	4	0	.556	212	196
Tampa Bay	4	5	0	.444	156	233
Carolina	2	7	0	.222	190	237
NORTH	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Green Bay	9	0	0	1.000	320	186
Detroit	6	3	0	.667	252	184
Chicago	6	3	0	.667	237	187
Minnesota	2	7	0	.222	179	244
WEST	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
San Francisco	8	1	0	.889	233	138
Seattle	3	6	0	.333	144	202
Arizona	3	6	0	.333	183	213
St. Louis	2	7	0	.222	113	223

<b>Thursday's Game</b>		
Denver 17, N.Y. Jets 13		
<b>Sunday's Games</b>		
Tampa Bay at Green Bay, 11 a.m.		
Tampa Bay at Tennessee, 11 a.m.		
Carolina at Detroit, 11 a.m.		
Dallas at Washington, 11 a.m.		
Jacksonville at Cleveland, 11 a.m.		
Cincinnati at Baltimore, 11 a.m.		
Buffalo at Miami, 11 a.m.		
Arizona at San Francisco, 2:05 p.m.		
Seattle at St. Louis, 2:05 p.m.		
San Diego at Chicago, 2:15 p.m.		
Tennessee at Atlanta, 2:15 p.m.		
Philadelphia at Cincinnati, 6:20 p.m.		
Open: Houston, Indianapolis, New Orleans, Pittsburgh		
<b>Monday's Game</b>		
Kansas City at New England, 6:30 p.m.		
<b>Thursday, Nov. 24</b>		
Green Bay at Detroit, 10:30 a.m.		
Miami at Dallas, 2:15 p.m.		
San Francisco at Baltimore, 6:20 p.m.		
<b>Sunday, Nov. 27</b>		
Arizona at St. Louis, 11 a.m.		
Carolina at Minnesota, 11 a.m.		
Cleveland at Cincinnati, 11 a.m.		
Buffalo at N.Y. Jets, 11 a.m.		
Houston at Jacksonville, 11 a.m.		
Carolina at Indianapolis, 11 a.m.		
Minnesota at Atlanta, 11 a.m.		
Chicago at Oakland, 2:05 p.m.		
Washington at Seattle, 2:05 p.m.		

Denver at San Diego, 2:15 p.m.
New England at Philadelphia, 2:15 p.m.
Pittsburgh at Kansas City, 6:20 p.m.
<b>Monday, Nov. 28</b>
N.Y. Giants at New Orleans, 6:30 p.m.

## College Football

SCORES	FAIR WEST
Air Force 45, UNLV 17	Boise St. 52, San Diego St. 35
E. Washington 45, Idaho St. 14	Louisiana Tech 24, Nevada 20
Montana 36, Montana St. 10	Oregon St. 38, Washington 21
S. Utah 27, N. Arizona 24	San Diego 23, Jacksonville 14
San Jose St. 27, Navy 24	Southern Cal 38, Oregon 35
UC Davis 23, Sacramento St. 19	UCLA 45, Colorado 6
Utah 30, Washington St. 27, OT	Utah 39, Idaho 42, 2OT
Weber St. 48, Portland St. 33	Wyoming 31, New Mexico 10
SOUTHWEST	SOUTHWEST
Alabama A&M 17, Prairie View 15	Ark.-Pine Bluff 42, Texas Southern 6
Arkansas 44, Mississippi St. 17	Houston 37, SMU 7
Kansas St. 17, Texas 13	McNeese St. 45, Lamar 17
Rice 19, Tulane 7	Sam Houston St. 36, Texas St. 14
TCU 34, Colorado St. 10	Texas A&M 61, Kansas 7
Tulsa 45, UTEP 28	UTSA 49, Minot St. 7
W. Kentucky 31, North Texas 21	
MIDWEST	MIDWEST
Iowa 31, Purdue 21	Kent St. 28, E. Michigan 22
Michigan 45, Nebraska 17	Michigan St. 35, Indiana 3
Missouri 31, Texas Tech 27	Missouri St. 38, Youngstown St. 34
Murray St. 35, SE Missouri 34	N. Dakota St. 37, W. Illinois 21
N. Iowa 23, Illinois St. 20, 2OT	North Dakota 38, South Dakota 37
Northwestern 28, Minnesota 13	Notre Dame 16, Boston College 14
Penn St. 20, Ohio St. 14	S. Illinois 35, Indiana St. 28
Wisconsin 28, Illinois 17	
SOUTH	SOUTH
Alabama 45, Georgia Southern 21	Appalachian St. 28, Elon 24
Arkansas St. 45, Middle Tennessee 19	Auburn 35, Samford 16
Bethune-Cookman 26, Florida A&M 16	Cal Poly 41, South Alabama 10
Coastal Carolina 45, W. Carolina 21	Davidson 30, Valparaiso 22
Delaware St. 39, Howard 36	E. Kentucky 23, UT-Martin 16
East Carolina 38, UCF 31	FIU 28, Louisiana-Monroe 17
Florida 54, Furman 12	Georgia 19, Kentucky 10
Georgia St. 42, Campbell 35	Georgia Tech 38, Duke 31
Hampton 42, Morgan St. 18	Jackson St. 51, Alcorn St. 17
Jacksonville St. 38, Tennessee St. 16	LSU 52, Mississippi 3
Miami 6, South Florida 3	Morehead St. 55, Butler 35
NC A&T 31, NC Central 21	NC State 37, Clemson 13
Presbyterian 45, Charleston Southern 14	SC State 20, Savannah St. 10
South Carolina 41, The Citadel 20	Stephen F. Austin 33, Northwestern St. 0
Tennessee 27, Vanderbilt 21, OT	Tennessee Tech 49, Austin Peay 7
Troy 34, FAU 7	VMI 31, Gardner-Webb 24
Virginia 14, Florida St. 13	Wake Forest 31, Maryland 10
William & Mary 25, Richmond 23	Wofford 28, Chattanooga 27
EAST	EAST
Albany (NY) 31, Sacred Heart 21	Buffalo St. 41, Akron 10
CCSU 42, Bryant 21	Colgate 21, Bucknell 6
Columbia 35, Brown 28, 2OT	Cornell 48, Penn 38
Dartmouth 24, Princeton 17	Delaware 26, Villanova 16
Duquesne 45, Robert Morris 10	Harvard 45, Yale 7
Holy Cross 41, Fordham 21	James Madison 34, Umass 17
Lehigh 37, Lafayette 13	Louisville 34, UConn 20
New Hampshire 30, Maine 27	Rutgers 20, Cincinnati 3
Stony Brook 41, Liberty 31	Temple 42, Army 14
Towson 28, Rhode Island 17	Wagner 44, Monmouth (NJ) 29
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<b>Utah St.</b>	7 14 7 7 7 7 -49
<b>Idaho</b>	3 7 18 7 7 0 -42
First Quarter	First Quarter
USU—Smith 1 run (J.Thompson kick), 10-37.	Id—McScott 13 pass from Reader (Farquhar kick), 2:37.
Second Quarter	Second Quarter
USU—Van Leeuwen 3 pass from Kennedy (J.Thompson kick), 14:54.	Id—FG Farquhar 23, 2:23.
USU—Turbin 80 run (J.Thompson kick), 10:13.	
Id—FG Farquhar 23, 10:08.	
Third Quarter	Third Quarter
USU—Smith 7 run (J.Thompson kick), 13:09.	Id—Toomer 1 run (Farquhar kick), 9:14.
First Overtime	First Overtime
Id—Toomer 2 run (Farquhar kick).	USU—Turbin 1 run (J.Thompson kick).
Second Overtime	Second Overtime
USU—Turbin 2 run (J.Thompson kick).	A—8:26.
First downs	First downs
USU 21	Idaho 26
Rushes-yards	52-310
Passing	182 275
Comp-Att-Int	13-181 27-391
Return Yards	1 92
Punts-Avg.	3-43.7 4-44.8
Fumbles-Lost	5-3 4-1
Penalties-Yards	7-75 10-87
Time of Possession	21:31 53:29
INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS	INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS
RUSHING—Utah St., Turbin 24-208, Smith 15-58, Kennedy 7-39.	K.Williams 4-9, Team 1-0, Jacobs 1(-4). Idaho, Bailey 23-110.
McCarty 9-27, R.Bass 6-15, Toomer 8-15, Reader 7-8.	PASSING—Utah St., Kennedy 13-18-1182. Idaho, Reader 12-39-1275.
RECEIVING—Utah St., Morrison 3-83, Van Leeuwen 3-40, Austin 3-26.	Jacobs 1-17, Lloyd 1-9, K.Williams 1-6, Tialavea 1-1.
Idaho, M.Scott 6-55, Bailey 5-49, LaGrone 3-63, Micheletti 3-30, McRoyay 3-2.	Veltung 2-49, Weaver 1-7, Elmo 1-5, Grymes 1-5, Hatcher 1-5. McCarty 1-5.
Third Quarter	Third Quarter
EWAS—Edwards 3 pass from B.Mitchell (Jarrett kick), 5:54.	
Fourth Quarter	Fourth Quarter
EWAS—Edwards 4 pass from B.Mitchell (Jarrett kick), 14:19.	EWAS—Gentry 15 interception return (Jarrett kick), 14:19.

SCHEDULE: TONIGHT'S BIG GAMES	ON TV
9:36, EWAS—	AUTO RACING
	1 p.m.
	ESPN — NASCAR, Sprint Cup, Ford 400, at Homestead, Fla.
	GOLF
	6 a.m.
	TGC — European PGA Tour, Johor Open, final round, at Johor, Malaysia (same-day tape)
	8:30 a.m.
	TGC — European PGA Tour, Alfred Dunhill Championship, final round, at Malelane, South Africa (same-day tape)
	10 a.m.
	NBC — PGA Tour, Presidents Cup, final round, at Melbourne, Australia (same-day tape)
	11:30 a.m.
	TGC — LPGA, Titleholders, final round, at Orlando, Fla.
	MEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL
	3:30 p.m.
	ESPN2 — Puerto Rico

Edwards 4 pass from B.Mitchell (Jarrett kick), 6:28. A—5:794.		
<b>Ewas</b>	<b>Idst</b>	
First downs	31	16
Rushes-yards	36-181	18-87
Passing	397	276
Comp-Att-Int	37-52-1	29-46-1
Return Yards	27	4
Punts-Avg.	4-40.3	5-48.2
Fumbles-Lost	1-0	2-1
Penalties-Yards	9-69	6-90
Time of Possession	36:09	23:51
<b>INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS</b>		
RUSHING—E. Washington, M.Brown 15-100, B.Mitchell 6-36. J.Talley 10-27, Forte 4-20, Team 1(-2). Idaho St., Prier 11-73. Daniels 2-11, Uoff 5-3. PASSING—E. Washington, B.Mitchell 37-51-1397, Gauthier 0-1-0-0. Idaho St., Uoff 29-46-1-276. RECEIVING—E. Washington, Edwards 12-106, Herd 6-88, Clark 5-51. J.Talley 5-46, C.Mitchell 3-53, Forte 3-18, Humphrey 1-18, Miles 1-9. M.Brown 1-8, Idaho St., Austin 10-146, Rumble 5-62, Prier 5-19, Hill 3-26, D.Graves 2-12, Daniels 2-0, McCurdy 1-9, Boyles 1-2.	Appalachian St. 68, Tennessee Tech 63 Belmont 87, Towson 41 Cal St.-Fullerton 69, Louisiana-Lafayette 63 Charleston Southern 89, Milligan 59 Col. of Charleston 72, Clemson 69 E. Kentucky 63, William & Mary 44 ETSU 51, Troy 71 FAU 80, George Mason 75, OT Jacksonville St. 78, Alabama St. 65 Lehigh 90, Liberty 80 Marshall 83, Northwestern St. 61 Miami 75, North Florida 62 Middle Tennessee 82, UNC Greensboro 60 NC A&T 87, Chicago 70 Nicholls St. 80, Houston Baptist 70 Oakland 75, Grambling St. 45 Richmond 83, Sacred Heart 58 SC State 73, Grandview-Webb 68 SE Louisiana 63, Louisiana-Monroe 60 Stetson 74, St. Leo 69 UT-Martin 76, Rochester (Mich.) 59 VMI 84, UMBG 79	
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	<b>Paradise Jam</b>	
	<b>First Round</b>	

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# At 8-1, 49ers Turn to Conquering NFC West

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Now that the San Francisco 49ers have established their dominance over most of the rest of the league, it's time to put away their division.

The first step in what could be a very early clinching of the NFC West comes Sunday at home against Arizona. The 49ers have built their 8-1 record, second only to Green Bay's perfect 9-0, with only one win in the division, beating Seattle in the season opener. Now San Francisco gets a hefty dose of NFC West foes, a good thing considering the rest of the division is 8-19.

The 49ers have won the last four meetings with the Cardinals, who were held to 13 total points in the two games last season. And those Niners weren't anything like these Niners under rookie coach Jim Harbaugh.

"This is not a trap game for us. This is a rivalry game," left tackle Joe Staley said. "We expect the best effort out of them. It's always a very physical game regardless of records. We came into their place when they went to the Super Bowl that year (2008), went to their house and beat them. We had a bad record that year."

Indeed, San Francisco went 7-9 then; it already has surpassed that victory total.

The Cardinals have shown some progress recently and won their last two by excelling — or getting lucky — down the stretch.

"I'm not going to say that we are 100 percent there or that we are very proficient at it now," coach Ken Whisenhunt said, "but it's nice to have been able to make the plays, move the ball, and score touchdowns in a situation where we needed to do that."

The other two division teams also go at it, with Seattle at St. Louis.

Also Sunday, it's Cincinnati at Baltimore, Tampa Bay at Green Bay, San Diego at Chicago, Tennessee at Atlanta, Carolina at Detroit, Philadelphia at the New York Giants, Dallas at Washington, Oakland at Minnesota, Buffalo at Miami, and Jacksonville at Cleveland.

Monday night, Kansas City is at New England.

Week 11 began with Tim Tebow and the Denver Broncos rallying for a 17-13 victory over the New York Jets on Thursday night.

Tebow's 20-yard touchdown run with 58 seconds left capped a 95-yard drive and lifted the Broncos over the stunned Jets.

Off this week are New Orleans (7-3), Houston (7-3), Pittsburgh (7-3) and Indianapolis (0-10).

## Seattle (3-6) at St. Louis (2-7)

On the final weekend of the 2010 season, these "powerhouses" met for the division title. The Seahawks got the prize, at 7-9, then somehow stunned New Orleans in the first round of the playoffs.

Neither team is thinking playoffs right now. Seattle comes off an energizing upset of Baltimore and has seen RB Marshawn Lynch break out.

The Rams have won two of three, the loss coming in overtime at Arizona, as their top runner, Steven Jackson, has stepped up.

## Cincinnati (6-3) at Baltimore (6-3)

The winner will be tied with idle Pittsburgh atop the NFC North, but this is much more of a statement game for Cincinnati, whose six victories are against teams with a combined 22-36 record.

"If you want to make a playoff run, if you want position and you want a chance to extend your season, then all seven of these games matter and this is the next one," left tackle Andrew Whitworth said.



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San Francisco 49ers quarterback Alex Smith (11) passes during an NFL game against the New York Giants on Nov. 13 in San Francisco. The 49ers won the game, 27-20.

"All seven of these, to me, are extremely important."

Baltimore will be angry with itself after following a comeback win at Pittsburgh with a dud in Seattle.

"They weren't in our conference, but at the same time, you want to beat the teams that you are supposed to beat," said running back Ray Rice, who got only 27 yards on five carries against the Seahawks. "It was one of those situations where they got after us pretty good, and it was pretty emotional."

## Tampa Bay (4-5) at Green Bay (9-0)

This one could get ugly judging by the way each team is playing.

Tampa has lost three straight and four of five. It ranks at the bottom of the NFC in red-zone offense, which the Packers top. The Bucs have 13 sacks, and not getting pressure on Aaron Rodgers is suicidal.

With the Pack averaging more than 35 points a game and Rodgers throwing to as many as 10 targets each week, the matchups look lopsided.

## San Diego (4-5) at Chicago (6-3)

If Chicago was going to get into a brawl with the opposing quarterback, it figured to be this weekend, not against Matthew Stafford and Detroit, as happened in the Bears' rout of the Lions.

San Diego's Philip Rivers and Chicago's Jay Cutler have a nasty history with each other, although both downplay it now.

With the Bears getting mean on defense again and the Chargers reeling in the midst of a four-game slide lowlighted by mental and physical errors, penalties and strange coaching decisions, Chicago could remain a front-runner for a wild-card berth.

## Kansas City (4-5) at New England (6-3), Monday night

New England might have set things back on the usual course in the AFC East when it handed the Jets a prime-time whipping. All of the Patriots' issues on defense disappeared for one night as end Andre Carter got a franchise-high 4½ sacks, LB Rob Ninkovich had two interceptions, returning one for a touchdown, and New England made Mark Sanchez and the Jets look amateurish.

Kansas City is among the most schizophrenic clubs in the league, with consecutive home losses to Miami and Denver following a four-game winning streak — which followed an 0-3 start.

Now, the Chiefs are without QB Matt Cassel (broken right hand), who had surgery this week. Too bad, because the guy who prospered in 2008 when Tom Brady was injured in the opener (against the Chiefs) made for an intriguing storyline in his return to Foxborough.

## Tennessee (5-4) at Atlanta (5-4)

Two more teams who need to be thinking wild card as they trail by

two games in their divisions.

The Titans manhandled Cam Newton and Carolina on the road last week, coming up with a season-high five sacks, forcing two turnovers and allowing a season-low in points in the 30-3 victory. They did it with three rookies starting.

If Falcons coach Mike Smith is haunted by the decision to go for a fourth-and-inches in overtime at his 29-yard line, he isn't letting on. His players like the confidence he showed in them by gambling against the archrival Saints, even if it led to a crushing defeat.

## Carolina (2-7) at Detroit (6-3)

Carolina has won the last four meetings, but the Panthers come off their worst performance all season in that home loss to Tennessee. They might match up decently with slumping Detroit because the Panthers can run the ball and the Lions struggle to stop it.

Detroit desperately needs a win here after dropping three of its last four, two of those at home. The Lions have plenty of company in the wild-card race, and they still have two games left with Green Bay, including on Thanksgiving Day.

## Philadelphia (3-6) at N.Y. Giants (6-3)

What looked like a juicy NFC East matchup for the division lead when the schedule came out has lost much luster as the Eagles disintegrate. If they can replicate their last visit to the Giants, when DeSean

Jackson capped their fourth-quarter rally from a 21-point hole with a 65-yard punt return TD on the final play, maybe they can get things turned around. But Jackson was suspended for last Sunday's home loss to Arizona, and Michael Vick is nursing broken ribs.

New York already won this year in Philly and had plenty of chance to win at San Francisco before falling a week ago.

## Dallas (5-4) at Washington (3-6)

Tony Romo is 17-2 in November and, considering how anemic and banged-up Washington's offense is, he might not need many points to get the Cowboys their third straight victory and fourth in five games. Dallas has won five of the last six against the Redskins, who have gone back to Rex Grossman at quarterback and are using backups at far too many positions.

Washington coach Mike Shanahan had never lost five in a row, and No. 6 isn't unlikely if the Redskins remain so inept with the ball: 27th in overall offense, 31st running it, only 20 points scored in the last three defeats.

## Oakland (5-4) at Minnesota (2-7)

In his fourth game and third start, Carson Palmer should be more comfortable running Oakland's offense, although he likely won't have top running back Darren McFadden (sprained right foot). It didn't matter in the Raiders' victory over San Diego as Michael Bush rushed for 157 yards and caught three passes for 85 yards, the most productive day from scrimmage for a Raider since 1963.

"Michael Bush is one really fine football player in this league also," Raiders coach Hue Jackson said. "There's a lot of teams that would love to have him, but he's ours. He plays for the Raiders and he's done a fantastic job. He's up to the challenge and ready to play and he will be this Sunday."

So will Adrian Peterson, one of the measuring sticks among NFL runners. Peterson is tied for the league lead with 10 touchdowns on the ground, and Minnesota must rely on him as rookie QB Christian Ponder finds his way.

## Buffalo (5-4) at Miami (2-7)

Nothing is coming easy for the Bills anymore. Their 3-0 start has turned into a mad scramble to remain relevant in the AFC playoff race. They've played very poorly the last two weeks, when Miami was winning for the first and second time.

The Dolphins seemingly have taken themselves out of the Andrew Luck Derby by getting solid production from Reggie Bush and rookie Daniel Thomas in the backfield, and Brandon Marshall in the passing game. The defense has a league-low six takeaways, however.

## Jacksonville (3-6) at Cleveland (3-6)

You know things are going dead wrong when your long snapper, in this case Ryan Pontbriand, has his snap on a short field goal attempt to beat St. Louis deflect off left guard Alex Mack's right foot. The reliable Phil Dawson's timing was thrown off and Cleveland lost its third straight, 13-12.

Jacksonville isn't having any better of a season, but at least has seen some progress from rookie QB Blaine Gabbert while the Browns' second-year passer, Colt McCoy, has stagnated. The Jags also have a steady defense, especially against the pass.

## Flipping Out

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the time through Week 10 this season, according to STATS LLC.

That's about the same as the 52.6 percent that STATS shows for coin-toss "victories" matching up with game victories since the start of the 2008 season, when the NFL changed the rules to allow the team that wins the toss to defer its choice until the second half.

Like the Saints, the Cleveland Browns can't seem to make heads or tails of why they're oh-fer on coin tosses this season, going 0-9, STATS said.

Actually, Browns coach Pat

Shurmur and captains Phil Dawson, Joe Thomas and Scott Fujita weren't aware of precisely how bad their luck has been until asked about it by a reporter from The Associated Press.

"Who keeps that stat? That's what I want to know," said Thomas, a Pro Bowl tackle.

He and players on other teams interviewed for this story all said they don't spend time figuring out which call to make — or even who will do it — until the time comes, with both teams' captains standing at midfield.

"It's kind of like, you line up and it's, 'OK, you got it.' It's never a big deal," Thomas said. "All we talk about is the strategy: Do we want the ball or do

we want to defer?"

For the Saints and Browns, it must feel as though other teams are saying, "Heads, we win. Tails, you lose."

The odds of a team losing 11 consecutive coin flips are about 2,000 to 1, STATS said.

"It's very unlucky for them in particular, but over the course of time, that kind of event will happen," said Susan Holmes, a professor of statistics at Stanford University. "When you're tossing a ton of coins, you could very easily have 11 heads in a row."

The Super Bowl has been host to an even longer lopsided streak: The NFC team has won the toss at each of the last 14 championship games, the odds of which are roughly 16,000 to 1. With only a 45-

game sample size, the Super Bowl hasn't followed the regular-season trend of a slight edge to the team winning the toss; flip winners are only 22-23 in the big game.

In 2007, Holmes and other researchers published an academic study about flips that, she explained in a telephone interview, "proved that the coin has a tendency to come up the same way it starts. So if you start the coin on tails over your thumb, and then you flip the coin and catch it in your hand, it'll have a 51 percent chance of coming up tails."

Seems like something the Saints and Browns — and anyone else involved in coin flips for any reason all around the world — might want to think about, right? Except for this,

when it comes to the NFL: Referees are told to not catch the coins; instead, they're supposed to let them land on the ground, so Holmes said her study doesn't apply at all.

It's part of a carefully choreographed ritual outlined by the league, which instructs refs to:

- show the heads and tails sides of the coin to each squad, starting with the home team;
- ask the visiting team's captains who will call the toss;
- ask what that call is;
- announce that choice before the flip (a rule added in the aftermath of the infamous 1998 Thanksgiving Day "Coin Flip Flap," when Pittsburgh Steelers running back Jerome Bettis and official Phil Luckett disagreed about what Bettis called before overtime against

the Detroit Lions, who won the game 19-16);

- announce the result of the flip;
- have the winner choose whether to receive the kickoff, or to kick off to the other team, or to pick which end of the field to defend, or to defer its choice until the second half.

The biggest coin-flip flop might have come in overtime of the blustery 1962 AFL championship game, when Dallas Texans running back Abner Haynes was ordered by coach Hank Stram to take the side of the field backed by the wind. Haynes won the toss and, apparently figuring the Houston Oilers would elect to receive if he picked a side to defend, told the referee, "We'll kick to the clock."





**Penn State coach Joe Paterno stands on the field on Oct. 22 before his team's NCAA college football game against Northwestern, in Evanston, Ill.**

# Penn State, Syracuse Cases Put Other Schools on Guard

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First Penn State. Now Syracuse. Concerned that allegations of child sex abuse in two big college sports programs could trigger more cases around the country, universities are urging employees to reread their school's reporting policies, while more closely scrutinizing the people who work in their athletic departments.

Those reminders were circulating even as news of the scandals kept unfolding.

On Friday, the NCAA notified Penn State it would investigate the school for lack of institutional control resulting from the child sex abuse allegations against Joe Paterno's former assistant coach, Jerry Sandusky. The evening before, Syracuse placed basketball coach Jim Boeheim's top assistant, Bernie Fine, on leave after old allegations resurfaced that he molested two former ballboys. Sandusky and Fine each have denied the accusations against them.

In his letter to Penn State, NCAA president Mark Emmert restated a message that schools have been receiving simply by watching the news.

"It is critical that each campus and the NCAA as an Association re-examine how we constrain or encourage behaviors that lift up young people rather than making them victims," Emmert wrote.

Earlier this week at Michigan, president Mary Sue Coleman wrote an open letter to the university community reminding people to call 911 or the police department if they see a crime in progress. "This is a chance to remind one another that a community's values are lived out in the actions of each of us as individuals," she wrote.

At St. John's, athletic director Chris Monasch said the incidents offered a good opportunity to emphasize to staffers "that if there is an issue that's inappropriate you have to deal with it immediately."

"A cover-up only makes it more severe," Monasch said. "Certainly, we do background checks on the people we hire for summer camps and those types of things. We're trying to take precautions, but I don't know how you can prepare for some of those things."

At North Carolina State, athletic director Debbie Yow asks athletes to anonymously complete a thorough survey that includes a question asking if an athletic staff member ever engaged in inappropriate contact.

"I think in this case it was something that was so new, a new type of allegation," Yow said. "You're used to someone saying players are gambling or there's alcohol abuse or there was a fight in the parking deck or any number of things like that — an NCAA violation, extra benefits. The list is very long that we know about and we try to protect against. This was a new type of issue I don't believe that was on the radar of athletics administrators."

John Burness, the former longtime vice president of public affairs at Duke, said there could be a "safety in numbers," element for victims who keep details of their abuse quiet, but suddenly see a chance to seek justice.

"I'm not surprised, nor would I be surprised, if we saw people coming forward now to make allegations," Burness said. "Because it could be more comfortable to do so. That shouldn't be discouraged. It should be encouraged. At the same time, we have to realize that every allegation is not necessarily true."

At a couple of smaller schools where sports aren't as big a focus, leaders nevertheless used the latest episodes to put a sharper point on their reporting policies.

"We all need an immediate reality check," Southern Baptist Theological Seminary president R. Albert Mohler Jr., wrote in a letter first reported by The Chronicle of Higher Education.

Presidents and chancellors aren't the only ones getting involved. Earlier this week, Louisiana Gov. Bobby Jindal issued an executive order requiring university employees to report sexual abuse or neglect to authorities within 24 hours of witnessing the offense.

New York, Pennsylvania and Maryland are among the other states where lawmakers are considering toughening their reporting standards.

Both Burness and Terry Hartle, senior vice-president at the American Coun-

cil on Education, compared reaction to these scandals to what happened after the massacre at Virginia Tech, when schools went back and analyzed their preparedness for a major emergency.

"I do not see a crisis coming up," Hartle said. "I do think this will be an experience that will force all colleges and universities to reevaluate their policies and procedures with reporting and dealing with sexual misconduct."

A handful of athletic directors interviewed by The Associated Press said they have brought up the subject with their departments.

In his regular Sunday evening email to athletes, coaches and staff, Minnesota AD Joel Maturi asked everyone to pray for the victims but also reminded them of their responsibility to report any illegal, abusive or improper behavior they become aware of.

At Kentucky, spokesman DeWayne Peevy said: "We take a long look at everything as a staff, re-evaluate what we're doing."

"Some things you can't necessarily prevent, but you do everything you can to make sure there are no red flags and nothing shows up unexpectedly," Peevy said.

Same message at Utah, where athletic director Chris Hill reminded employees it's their responsibility to report any potential crime to the police. At Arizona, athletic director Greg Byrne's letter to staff included this straightforward advice: "The message is simple — call the police — call 911 — if you witness criminal activity or if you believe you or anyone else is in danger." Wake Forest is holding its annual administrative retreat soon, and the topic of how it might handle such a problem is expected to come up.

Although running background checks on employees is standard procedure at almost every university, Burness said the news of the past weeks likely will send athletic directors back to the personnel files.

"That's a proper step for an institution to take," he said. "If you're aware of prior cases, you should probably brush up on what happened, what was found, what wasn't found and who the incident was reported to."

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### Thank You 2011 Price Raises

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Jim & Louise Lanting

Jim Patrick For Representative  
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Simplot Growers Solutions — Hagerman  
Simplot Growers Solutions — Twin Falls  
Southhills Cattle Co./Hepton Livestock  
Stephan, Kvanvig Stone & Trainor  
Steven, Pierce Cpa  
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The Catalyst Group  
Tim Smalley Const.  
Tr Hollinger  
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Vickers Western Store  
Worst, Fitzgerald & Stover, Pllc

### Thank You Cash Donations

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United Oil

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Lamar Loveland  
Gary Osborne  
Joe Bennett  
Bill Sorenson

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AUTO SALES

## Guaranteed Credit Approval



**2003 Ford F350 Crew Cab 4x4**  
6.0 Powerstroke Turbo Diesel, One owner, 73,000 Miles.  
**\$17,995**



**2003 Chevy Suburban Z-71 Suburban 4x4**  
Dvd System, Leather, Third Seat.  
**\$12,995**



**2005 Chevy Impala**  
Great Condition, 82,000 Miles.  
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V6 Engine for Great Fuel Economy.  
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## NOTICES

### NOTICE

The City of Burley invites all interested parties to bid on the installation of a fire sprinkler system and fire detection system for the Burley Fire Department. A copy of the proposed bid specifications can be found at [www.burleyidaho.org](http://www.burleyidaho.org). Bids must be received by the City of Burley by December 9, 2011-- 5 pm local time. Bids will be open December 12, 2011 at 9 am at Burley City Hall.

**PUBLISH:** November 20 and 27, 2011

### PUBLIC NOTICE

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

### IMPORTANT

Please address all legal advertising to:  
**LEGAL ADVERTISING**  
 The Times-News  
 PO Box 548  
 Twin Falls, Idaho  
 83303-0548  
 email to  
[legals@magicvalley.com](mailto:legals@magicvalley.com)

Deadline for legal ads: 3 days prior to publication, noon on Wednesday for Sunday, noon on Thursday for Monday, noon on Friday for Tuesday and Wednesday, noon on Monday for Thursday and noon on Tuesday for Friday and Saturday. Holiday deadlines may vary. If you have any questions call Ruby, legal clerk, at 208-735-3324.

# New Today

### AGRICULTURE

#### 709

### Hay Grain and Feed

**ALFALFA** 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> cutting.  
 Stacked 3 wide, \$220/ton.  
**208-308-4107**

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#### 810

### Furniture & Carpet

**LOVE SEAT & COUCH** Beautiful, excellent condition, \$250/offer. Will deliver. **208-280-3558**

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#### 1005

### Semis /Heavy Equipment



**FORD '96 F-800** Mechanics Truck with **10,000 actual miles**, 5.9 Cummins, Allison AT, PS, AC, 5000 lb Venturo crane, Lincoln 300G welder, Sullair PTO drive, 150 CFM air compressor, 3500 volt inverter, one owner, well maintained, \$28,900.  
**208-735-0818**

#### 1005

### Semis /Heavy Equipment



**IHC '90 2564** with 14 yd dump, **74,000 actual miles**, N-14 Cummins, Allison AT, PS, AC, 16,500 front, 40,000 rear, Hendrickson spring, new radials, one owner, well maintained, \$21,500. **208-735-0818**

**KUBOTA '04** Mini Excavator model kx41-3V, rubber tracks, good condition. **208-731-6635**

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### 101

### Lost and Found

**FOUND** abandoned adult cat, black & white, longhair, very friendly, in Twin Falls. Free to good home if not claimed. **208-358-4210**

**FOUND** German Shorthaired Pointer north of Paul. Call to identify **678-1177**.

**FOUND** Kitten, 4 months old. Near Kimberly Rd. Call to identify **208-733-5275**



**LOST** Beagle dog at the corner of Shoup & Blake. Hit by a car, then ran towards Washington St. She has a purple collar and also a red collar. She has tags with the animal shelters number. If found please call Tammy **208-320-5074**.

**LOST** Black Lab, 5 year old female named "Kole." In Vicinity of Canyon Rim Dr. **208-733-6524**

**LOST** German Shorthair north of Rupert 11/14 afternoon, she answers to Amber. **208-670-4828**

#### 104

### Personals

**FUN GUY** seeks woman 40-50, slender, sweet, sincere please. **208-270-0280**

#### 107

### Pregnancy Alternatives

Pregnant? Worried?  
 Free Pregnancy Tests  
 Confidential  
**208-734-7472**

**Times-News Classifieds**  
**208-733-0931 ext. 2**

### 108 Professional Services

**Bankruptcy & Debt Counseling**  
 Free ½ hr consultation. Competitive Rates. We are a debt relief agency. We help people file for bankruptcy relief under the bankruptcy code.  
**May, Browning & May**  
**208-733-7180**

**FREE CHRISTIAN FINANCIAL COUNSELING.** Get out of debt without filing bankruptcy.  
 Cheryl 539-6675

### 110 HOME HEALTH CARE

**ELDERLY CARE;** meals, cleaning; personal care, med reminders. CPR Certified, etc. **208-329-4449**

### EMPLOYMENT

### 200 Work Wanted

#### HIRE STUDENTS TO WORK FOR YOU!

Our Dependable, Honest, Diligent, Friendly Students are available to work for you after school and weekends.  
**Magic Valley High School**  
 Contact David Brown  
 Cell 293-2062

### 200 Work Wanted

**PUBLIC SERVICE MESSAGE**  
 Federal Employment information is free. Remember, no one can promise you a federal job. For free information about federal jobs.  
 Call Career America Connection  
 478-757-3000

### 204 Drivers

**DRIVER**  
 Driver with refer exp wanted. 2 years exp req'd. Full benefits, exc equipment and home time.  
**Apply in person at Dennis Clark Inc.**  
 208 Fruitland Ave. Buhl, ID.

**DRIVERS**  
 A well established local company has the following openings:

**PT & FT Drivers.** Dedicated runs, home frequently. Short hauls, perfect for a retired driver looking for some extra cash. 2 yrs verifiable OTR exp. Runs from Jerome to Edmonton, Jerome to LA, Jerome to Phoenix. Good pay, good benefits.  
**Apply at 731 Golf Course Rd or**  
**Call 208-324-7600**

**We're here to help.**  
**Call 733.0931 ext 2**

### 204 Drivers

**DRIVERS**  
 Ag Express Inc. Burley, ID.  
**Class A CDL Drivers**  
 needed full & part-time, year round, local & interstate hauling. Benefits include Medical, Dental, Vision, 401k, & Vacation. Minimum age 22. Tank endorsement.  
**Call Burley 678-4625 ext 1**

**DRIVERS**  
 Central Refrigerated IS GROWING!  
 Hiring Experienced  
 & Non-Experienced Drivers.  
 CDL Training Available.  
 Employ Today!  
 Avg \$40,000-\$70,000!  
**1-800-525-9277**

### DRIVERS



Established trucking company seeks licensed **Truck Driver** in the Burley, ID area. The employee will be hauling fuel from refineries to different locations. Candidates must have CDL. Being carded at the local refineries and/or having their HAZMAT certification is highly desired. We are looking for a highly motivated person who enjoys working with others and takes pride in doing their job right the first time.  
**Please fax your resume to**  
**801-363-8444.**



## Part-time Drivers Team Drivers Solo Drivers



### Great benefits for full-time drivers:

- Medical, dental, vision (for employee & family)
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Beginning a driving career?

Low miles experience?

Fresh out of truck driving school?

*Dot Transportation offers:*  
**Training**  
**Tuition reimbursement**

Round-trip dispatch in  
 Western region

Late model equipment

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We are an international milk processing leader who is committed to our customers success through teamwork, attention to detail, and valuing relationships. We are currently recruiting for new team members who are flexible and able to respond to growing and changing needs of the company and become an integral part of Idaho Milk Products.

- **Packaging Operator:**
  - Packaging experience a plus, but not required
- **Production Supervisor:**
  - 2-4 years of experience in the dairy food industry with at least 1-2 years as a Supervisor
  - High School Education/Diploma or equivalent required
- **Food Scientist**
  - 2-4 years dairy plant and protein chemistry experience preferred
  - BS degree in Food Science, Dairy Science, or Biochemistry required

**We offer COMPETITIVE wages along with an EXCELLENT benefit package:** 401k, medical, dental, vision, disability, life insurance and AD&D, FSA, vacation, PTO, holiday pay, subject to applicable eligibility and waiting periods.

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# St Luke's Magic Valley

## NOW HIRING

- **Medical Technologist-** Bachelors degree in Clinical Laboratory Science or related field. Professional Certification: CLS(NCA) or MT(ASCP).
- **Clinical Office Position-** Successful completion of Certified Medical Assistant / LPN training. Current temporary or permanent certification/License at time of hire. Current CPR certification.
  - Internal Medicine
  - Ortho and Plastic Surgery
  - Nephrology
  - Family Medicine
- **Clinical Assistant-** High school diploma or equivalent preferred. Successful completion of a Certified Nursing Assistant course. One year of experience as CNA & computer experience preferred. Successful completion of BLS provider course C required.
- **Registered Nurse-** Must be licensed as a Registered Nurse in the State of Idaho.
  - ICU
  - Unit Support Team
  - Emergency Room
  - Operating Room
  - Cardio-Pulmonary
- **Occupational Therapist-** Bachelor's degree or Masters degree in Occupational Therapy. Licensure in the state of Idaho or temporary licensure. Excellent oral and written communication and interpersonal skills.

## St Luke's Magic Valley

**P.O. Box 409, Twin Falls, ID 83303-0409**

**(208) 814-2552 • [beckyhu@slhs.org](mailto:beckyhu@slhs.org) – Becky**

**We offer competitive salaries & an excellent benefits package. For a complete listing of open positions, or to complete an application, visit our website [www.stlukesonline.org](http://www.stlukesonline.org)**



## 204 Drivers

**DRIVER**  
Semi truck driver needed Class A CDL full time year round. Must have 2 yrs exp in hauling bulk potatoes in a belt trailer & driving.  
**Apply in person at MCM Trucking 446 Hwy 30 E. Kimberly.**

**DRIVERS**  
**TOP GUN**  
TRUCK DRIVING ACADEMY  
Class "A" CDL Instruction  
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**DRIVERS**  
School Bus Drivers Wanted  
**Western States Bus**  
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Oilfield CDL Truck Drivers  
Jobs currently available in ND & PA

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Oilfield experience preferred. Class A CDL with Tank End. & clean driving record required  
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## 206 Farm

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It pays to read the fine print!  
Call the Times-News to place your ad 1-800-658-3883 ext. 2

## 206 Farm

**FARM**  
Experienced "hands-on," **Farm Manager** for 2500 acre cattle ranch in Eastern Oregon. Must have experience with alfalfa, corn & grain crops, flood irrigating, wheel-lines & pivots, welding, and machinery repair. Cattle and feedlot experience beneficial, but not necessary. Needs to have good communication skills and supervising experience. House, beef, pick-up and other benefits provided. **Call 541-523-4401**

## 207 General

**COST ACCOUNTANT**  
Gem State Processing, LLC is currently recruiting for a **Cost Accountant**

This position will be directly responsible for the cost and general ledger accounting for the plant.

**Minimum qualification for the candidate selected for this position:**

- \*4-year degree in Accounting, Business or related field including
- \*Three or more years of practical experience in cost accounting or a general accounting field, preferably in the food processing and/or manufacturing industry
- \*Expert user of Microsoft office software

**Gem State Processing benefit package includes:**

- \*Competitive wage with a bonus potential

- \*Medical, dental, vision, short and long term disability (fully paid by the company)

- \*Vacation and holiday pay

**Please submit your resume with cover letter, including salary history and requirements to maguero@gemstateprocessing.com**

Gem State Processing maintains a drug free workplace. All job offers are contingent on the successful completion of pre-employment drug test and consumer background report.

## 207 General

**AUTOMOTIVE**  
Looking for experienced **Tire Tech.** Salary DOE.  
**Apply in person 190 W Ave B in Wendell.**



**Do you feel like just a number?**

If you do; come to General Equipment & Supply Inc. where everyone knows your name.

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**ATTN: Cori Greenstein**  
**HR & Benefits Administrator**  
**General Equipment & Supplies Inc.**  
**4300 Main Ave**  
**Fargo, ND 58103**

## FOOD PROCESSING

**General Labor** positions available for local food processing company in Twin Falls. Must be flexible to work on various shifts. Start immediately. No exp. necessary; all training is provided. Excellent benefits are available.

**Apply in person at**  
**754 N. College Rd., Suite B,**  
**Twin Falls 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.**

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**I need a raise, SERIOUSLY!**



## City of Elko Job Announcement Parks and Recreation Director

The City of Elko Parks Department is currently seeking applications from qualified applicants to fill the position of Parks and Recreation Director. Compensation range \$69,816 – \$93,894 annually, plus excellent benefits. A complete list of job duties, requirements and application materials are available at [www.elkocity.com](http://www.elkocity.com) or may be picked up at 1751 College Avenue, Elko, NV 89801. The application must be an original, fully completed and all supplemental questions answered to be considered a valid applicant for the position. Completed applications must be submitted by 5:00 pm, Friday December 2, 2011.

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## 207 General

**GENERAL**  
**Hair Dresser** with experience. Great opportunity growth spa. Aveda Certified Salon. Aveda Training Available. Benefits available. **Call 208-736-2763**

## GENERAL

**Newspaper Insertor**  
The Times News Packaging Department has an immediate part-time opening in our production facility.

**Duties include:**

- Jogging and stacking all printed materials.
- Loading newspaper inserting machines.
- Other duties as assigned.
- Qualified candidates must have a solid work history, dependable and self motivated.
- Must be at least 18 years of age.

Hours are 6pm to 2am, four days a week including weekends.

**To learn more about our company or to apply, please log on to:**

**[www.magicvalley.com/workhere](http://www.magicvalley.com/workhere)**  
**Click on "Entrance for Potential Employees."**

We are a drug-free workplace and all applicants considered for employment must pass a post-offer drug screen prior to commencing employment.

**GENERAL**  
Seeking **FT Childcare worker.**  
**Please bring resume to**  
**124 North Lincoln, Jerome, ID.**

## 208 Hospitality

**Classified Private Party Ads** Requires pre-payment prior to publication. Major credit/debit cards, and cash accepted.  
**733-0931 ext. 2 Times-News**

## HOSPITALITY

**Cucina Gemelli Restaurant**  
Re-opening this week in Old Towne with expanded fine & casual menu featuring fresh local ingredients & full bar. Seeking **Bartender, Host/Hostess, Bus & exp. Server** with passion for exceptional food & drink. No Calls. Send resume/cover: [CucinaGemelli@yahoo.com](mailto:CucinaGemelli@yahoo.com).

## 209 Human Resources

## GENERAL



Webb Landscape, Inc. is seeking a full-time **Equipment Mechanic** for our Landscape Maintenance Department in the Wood River Valley. Qualified candidates will have at least three years experience servicing a fleet of large and small landscape equipment, including trucks, loaders, mowers and weed eaters. Great people skills required, bilingual in English and Spanish a plus, but not necessary. This individual must be motivated, a self starter, and take initiative and pride in his or her work.

Webb Landscape, Inc. is an Employee-Owned progressive & dynamic company that offers excellent opportunities for advancement and a complete benefit package including: health, life, vision, and dental insurance, 401k, & Employee Stock Option Program.

**If you are interested in this position please email a copy of your resume to [brandy@webbland.com](mailto:brandy@webbland.com) or fax to 208-788-2633.**

## 210 Management

## MANAGEMENT

**Part-time Resident Manager** needed for a 24 unit RD Apartment complex in Heyburn. Sales, computer skills and great customer service a must. Experience with Section 8 housing helpful but not necessary. Compensation salary plus benefits. Must live in the Heyburn, Rupert, Burley area.  
**Please send resume with a cover letter to [cindy@syrringaproperties.com](mailto:cindy@syrringaproperties.com)**

## 211 Medical

**All advertising** is subject to the newspaper's standard of acceptance. The Times-News reserves the right to edit, abbreviate decline or properly classify any ad. Receipt of copy via remote entry (fax, e-mail, etc.) does not constitute final acceptance by this newspaper. The advertiser, not the newspaper assumes full responsibility for the truthful content of their advertiser message.

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## 211 Medical

## MEDICAL

**Nurse Practitioner**  
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Come join our healthcare staff at the Blaine County Jail (Hailey, ID) Part-time (2 hrs/wk)!  
**Apply online at [www.correctioncare.com](http://www.correctioncare.com) or submit resume to Brian Mason at:**  
**Fax: 720-458-3458**  
**Toll Free: 866-670-3331**  
**Email: [recruiting@correctioncare.com](mailto:recruiting@correctioncare.com)**  
**EOE**

## NURSING

Are you looking for a great challenge with lots of rewards? Parke View Rehabilitation & Care Center is now hiring for **RN Supervisor**  
Two full time positions. Must have strong leadership skills. Wages are based on exp. **Interested applicants may apply in person at 2303 Parke Ave. Burley, ID**

## 215 Professional



## INFORMATION SYSTEMS SPECIALIST

Clear Springs Foods, Inc. is accepting resumes for an **Information Systems Specialist**. Requirements for the job are available upon request. The person hired for this position will be offered a competitive wage and benefit package. **For an exciting career with a national food company, please send your resume to [cally@clearsprings.com](mailto:cally@clearsprings.com)**

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## PROFESSIONAL



The City of Twin Falls is now hiring for the position of **Accounting Specialist**. Apply immediately. The job announcement and employment application are available at [www.tfid.org](http://www.tfid.org). **For additional information you may contact the Human Resources Office, (208) 735-7268, or direct email to [hr@tfid.org](mailto:hr@tfid.org).**

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## 217 Skilled

## GENERAL

**General Laborer** w/some MIG & TIG experience for a full time position with full benefits after 90 days. **Call Mike 208-731-0128**

## SKILLED

Semi Truck rebuilding shop seeking **Truck Body Person**. Exp. with welding and body work req. We also do semi trailer rebuilding and maintenance. Hourly and commission pay. Benefits available. **Apply in person at 500 West 100 South, Paul, ID.**

## SKILLED

Wanted exp'd **Stainless Steel Welders & Millwrights** **Shockey Sheet Metal ~ Paul, ID 208-438-5055**  
Pre-employment drug test required.

## SKILLED

**Welders, Pipefitters, Millwrights** Barclay Mechanical Services is looking for full-time long term employment in Mini-Cassia/Magic Valley area. Experience required. Pay DOE. Health, Vision, Dental & 401k benefits available. **Apply in person at 490 W 100 S Hwy 25, Paul**

## FINANCIAL

## 301 Business Opportunities

**TWIN FALLS** Established party & event rental business for sale. Inventory & supplies only, no real estate. Serious inquiries only. 208-308-0813

## Business Opportunities and Commercial Properties

- ★ **Popular Restaurant/Bar** SunValley/Ketchum area, reduced price of \$250K
- ★ **Specialty Retail Store**, unique to Magic Valley w/no competition, \$150K
- ★ **Trails Inn Restaurant**, Ashton, Idaho. New price of \$655K includes real estate.

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## EDUCATION

## 401 School Instruction

## PUBLIC SERVICE MESSAGE

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The City of Elko Public Works Department is currently seeking applications from qualified applicants to fill the position of Streets Superintendent. Compensation range \$58,734 – \$78,990 annually, plus excellent benefits. A complete list of job duties, requirements and application materials are available at [www.elkocity.com](http://www.elkocity.com) or may be picked up at 1751 College Avenue, Elko, NV 89801. The application must be an original, fully completed and all supplemental questions answered to be considered a valid applicant for the position. Completed applications must be submitted by 5:00 pm, Friday December 2, 2011.

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## CITY OF ELKO JOB ANNOUNCEMENT

## Fleet Maintenance Superintendent

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## Panel Technician

Cargill Animal Nutrition in Rupert, ID needs your skills for a full time Panel Technician. This position will be working with the production operations in our animal nutrition plant. Previous production related & forklift experience a plus.

Apply online by Dec 1 at: [ichoosecargill.com](http://ichoosecargill.com)  
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### REAL ESTATE

## 501 Open House

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Washington, D.C. 20580 or call  
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Center, 1-800-876-7060.

## 502 Homes For Sale



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**Dear Mr. Wolff:**  
My partner was holding ♠ K-J-7-4, ♥ 8-6, ♦ A-9-3, ♣ Q-10-5-4 when I opened one no-trump. He used Stayman, the next hand doubled, and I passed this around to him. What should he have done next?  
Short-Changed, Duluth, Minn.

**ANSWER:** Much depends on how you play your pass of the double. I play it as denying a club stop, and now redouble is more Stayman. I would follow that route, planning to rebid three no-trump at my next turn. I see no reason not to play a 4-4 spade fit if we have one, since even facing a high-club honor in your hand, the spade game may benefit from taking ruffs in the strong hand after trumps are drawn.

**Dear Mr. Wolff:**  
According to the bridge books, after a strong two-bid, one is obligated to reach a game contract. Recently a player in our friendly game said that no one can make a player bid anything. We don't carry guns to our bridge parties, so I guess she is right, but all I could quote was tradition. Can you help me for next time? (We don't bid weak-two openers, but with her thinking, we could if we wanted to.)  
Pistol-Packing Mama, Durango, Colo.

**ANSWER:** Demand twos force a response, but after a negative response (a bid of two no-trump to a two-bid in diamonds, hearts or spades), a repeat of the opener's suit is traditionally not forcing, though highly encouraging. After a strong and artificial two-club opening, a rebid of two no-trump by opener over a negative two-diamond call can also be passed, since the bid shows 23-24 or so, balanced.

**Dear Mr. Wolff:**  
What is the name of this "famous" bridge hand: ♠ A-K-Q, ♥ A-K-Q-J, ♦ A-K, ♣ K-J-9-7  
Name That Monster, Cedar Rapids, Iowa

**ANSWER:** This is the Duke of Cumberland's hand from a famously rigged deal. With small variations you can find details on the Internet under that name. When the deal came up at whist with clubs as trump, the player led a trump and did not take a trick!

**Dear Mr. Wolff:**  
I've sometimes seen obscure references in bridge columns to ace-asking bids other than Blackwood and Gerber. Do you play any such gadgets?  
Aces and Spaces, Richmond, Va.

**ANSWER:** As a matter of fact, after our side pre-empts at the two- or three-level, I DO play a bid of four clubs (or four diamonds over three clubs) as a key-card ask. The trump king counts as the fifth ace; responses are zero, one, one plus the trump queen, two, two plus the trump queen.

**Dear Mr. Wolff:**  
In a recent bidding feature, you proffered the following hand: ♠ K-7-6, ♥ K-9-7-6, ♦ A-Q, ♣ 10-9-6-3. You asked what you would rebid after opening one club and getting a response of one spade. I myself would bid one no-trump rather than raise to two spades.  
The Raiser's Edge, Jackson, Miss..

**ANSWER:** I am torn between the two actions. I would definitely bid two spades if the diamond queen were the spade queen, or if I had ace-queen-fourth in one red suit and a doubleton in the other. With the actual hand it might depend on whether partner plays better than I do!

For details of Bobby Wolff's autobiography, "The Lone Wolff," contact kay19072@aol.com. If you would like to contact Bobby Wolff, e-mail him at bobbywolff@mindspring.com.  
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My husband and I were convinced early on in this relationship that this monster was determined to have us support him financially, because he would leave us long, threatening messages demanding money, or else our daughter would be “homeless.”

Amy moved back in with him, and I heard from her sister that the creep was bringing other women home for sex. It raised my hopes that Amy would give up on him. Instead, she became pregnant.

Now Amy is hurt that I don’t call her and share in this exciting event. When I try to explain how I feel, she tells me, “It’s not about YOU, Mom.” She’s right. It’s about the baby. I am ashamed to not be able to change this baby’s future. What can I do?

— PARALYZED WITH FEAR OUT WEST



**DEAR ABBY**  
**Jeanne Phillips**

**DEAR PARALYZED:** Make every effort to prevent your daughter and grandchild from becoming isolated from your family. Some abusers deliberately impregnate their victims in order to keep them dependent. Keep the contact and the conversation going, so that when Amy finally realizes that her boyfriend is a danger not only to her but also to her baby, she can come to you for help.

**DEAR ABBY:** We have two children, ages 9 and 6, and live in Northern California. We’ll be traveling to Southern California soon to attend my cousin’s wedding. We’ll be staying with my parents.

My three unmarried adult siblings will be coming from out-of-state to attend the wedding. My brother “Ray” is a clear favorite with my kids. He visits often and showers them with attention, gifts and outings. He loves them dearly, but when he’s around he consumes all of their attention.

I feel bad for my parents and other siblings — especially my sister, who doesn’t get to see them often and feels she can’t compete with the gifts and rough-house game-playing. Do you have any suggestions for how I might temper the kids’ enthusiasm for Uncle Ray on this trip, so others get to have meaningful bonding time with their nephew and niece, whom they rarely see?

— MARILYN IN SAN FRANCISCO

**DEAR MARILYN:** Enlist Ray’s help with this and start talking with your children NOW about the special relationships you had with your parents and your siblings while growing up. Share funny stories, which will make them more “real” to the kids. Talk about the qualities that make each of your family members special, and be sure to mention how much your parents and ALL your siblings care about them. Then arrange in advance one or more activities they can enjoy together that do not include Ray. That would be some steps in the right direction.

**DEAR ABBY:** What would you say is the difference between a friendship and an emotional affair?

— UNHAPPY WIFE IN PENNSYLVANIA

**DEAR UNHAPPY WIFE:** A friendship is a relationship in which the spouse feels included. An emotional affair is one during which the spouse writes to Dear Abby and signs her question “Unhappy.”

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By Don Gagliardo and C.C. Burnikel

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115 Affair twosome?

116 General on a menu

117 Dull finish?

118 Worm, often

119 Egg cell

123 Perp's cover

125 Mess hall handout?

129 9 to 5, e.g.

130 "The Neverending Story" author

131 Some bed makers

132 Offspring

133 "Agreed!"

134 Spanish cordial

135 Letter-shaped opening

DOWN

1 Tourist city SE of New Delhi

2 Metros and

3 Prizms, at first

3 Longing

4 Grow fond of

5 \_\_\_ carte

6 Hindi is a subgroup of it

7 12-time All-Star Jeter

8 Bath sponge

9 Photographer's order: Abbr.

10 Morning brew order

11 Norwegian king, 995-1000

12 Rap name adjective

13 "Deck the Halls" sequence

14 Some anchors

15 Suffix with Capri

16 Verse often about nature

17 Fairy tale baddies

18 Divisive element

20 Attending a Dodgers home game, say

24 Tenant

30 Google revenue source

33 Prynne's stigma

34 "I Feel Bad About My Neck" author Ephron

35 Abbr. on a shingle

36 Neapolitan song title opening

37 Boxer who held titles at four different weights

38 \_\_\_ Gay

39 What-eats-what orders

44 Wraps up by Tokyo, before 1868

46 Govt. security

48 Fine-tune

49 Special effects technique, briefly

51 Gets jealous

52 "Night" author Wiesel

53 Vehicle on a Christmas card, perhaps

55 Half a fish

56 Central Utah city

57 Average

62 Rink maneuver

64 Our Gang assent

66 Covering up

67 Golfer Gary Player's homeland: Abbr.

69 Place to be

72 Pixar fish

73 "Let \_\_\_!"

74 One way to cope

75 Drilling gp.

76 Like Mr. X

77 Main website page

81 Main artery

82 Evenings, in ads

84 George Harrison learned it in the '60s

86 Rack up

87 Bar code?

89 \_\_\_-fi

92 Big pipes

93 "Gracias" reply

94 High-fiber fruit

95 "Ladies dancing" carol contingent

97 Joy

102 Was gaga over

104 Got a grip

106 Kitchen drawers?

107 Dreads

108 Big name in supplemental insurance

109 Last Supper question

110 Brief interview?

111 "Family Matters" nerd

112 Civilian garb

113 Ohio natives

114 Divulge

120 Concealing garb

121 Erase

122 Has to

124 Short life story?

126 "Wheel of Fortune" buy

127 FDR home loan org.

128 ER staff member

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By Dave Green

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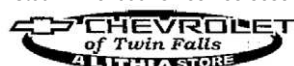
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**ARIES (March 21-April 19):** Get psyched. In the week to come, you can accomplish a great deal through sheer will power. When others seem lost and confused, you will be able to execute a plan and make progress without direction. **TAURUS (April 20-May 20):** Love makes the world go around. In the upcoming week, you are at your best when you have a special someone by your side. Family gatherings will give you a chance to demonstrate your affection.

**GEMINI (May 21-June 20):** Think fast on your feet. This is a good week for you to pursue a study or any occupation that requires excellent hand-and-eye coordination. Remain flexible, as intimate relationships enter a new phase.

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**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22):** Show off your showmanship. You could be universally liked because you show genuine interest in your fellow man. You might be more interested in making friends than in making time in the week ahead.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22):** Clear out the clutter from your environment, as well as in your head. Guests might be expected in the week to come, so you should straighten up the living room early. You must stay on track mentally, as well.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22):** Impeccable you. You are willing to spend an extra few minutes in front of the mirror to ensure that you look your best in the week ahead. Your love nature is in fine fiddle; tune it up and turn them on.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21):** Break free of the ball and chain. Your week ahead could be filled with excitement, as you realize your potential on a bigger stage. If people are not dependable, you might abandon them.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21):** It is time for a change of pace. In the week ahead, your attention will be redirected into more personal avenues. You might need to make more time for social activities and adapt to family matters.

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**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18):** Look and you will find it. Happiness, freedom and peace of mind might be right around the corner. In the week ahead, learn to wield affirmations so that your mind is receptive to every hint of joy.

**PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20):** You aren't an ostrich, so don't hide your head in the sand. The mood is fast-paced and impulsive, so you should be in your element in the week ahead. Don't retreat from social activities or shy away from friends.

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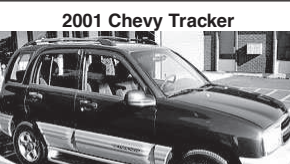


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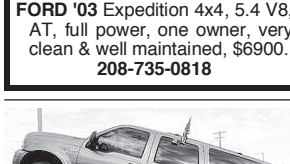
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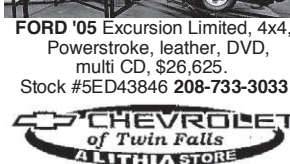
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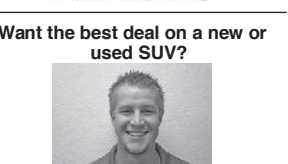
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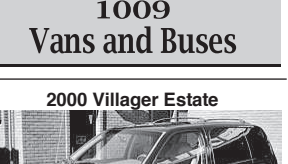
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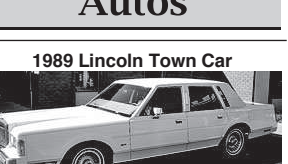
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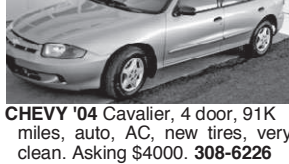
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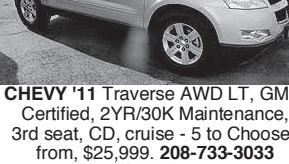
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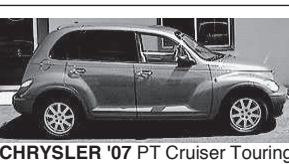
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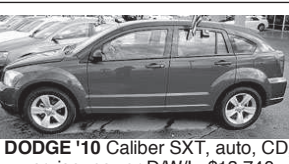
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PEOPLE



Matt Bridges (second from right), a volunteer with the Buhl Fire Department, describes on Nov. 7 how to use a specific nozzle to fight chimney fires. Bridges has been with the fire department for the past 25 years.

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# Saving Lives on the Side

Volunteer rural first responders face new challenges in today’s world. Among them, costlier training requirements and difficulty recruiting.

BY MELISSA DAVLIN  
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If you’re in a car accident in rural Cassia County, or have heart troubles outside Oakley, there is a good chance that a volunteer first responder will be the first to help. Across Idaho, most fire departments rely on volunteers. But in recent years, those departments are facing new challenges, like recruiting volunteers and dealing with changing certification requirements. It can be hard staying on top of requirements to be a volunteer, Castleford EMT volunteer Jon Wells said. “They keep changing certification rules for how you are to be

certified to stay current,” Wells said. That’s a good thing for people needing assistance, because training is more stringent and volunteers will be more qualified. But it can be a strain for volunteer EMTs who have to make time for the classes. It’s also more expensive, said Buhl assistant fire chief Nathan Fawcett. “They’re adding a little bit to the training, and it’s costing a little more for people to volunteer — not only to re-certify and go to the training conferences, but just to drive your vehicle to a call,” he said. Recruiting is also a problem. Please see **RESPONDER, P6**

**The Dwindling, Aging Ranks**

- Volunteers make up 71 percent of firefighters in the U.S.
- Of the 30,165 fire departments in the U.S., 69 percent are all-volunteer and 17 percent are mostly volunteer.
- The number of volunteer firefighters has declined by more than 10 percent since 1984.
- Volunteer firefighters are getting older, especially in smaller communities. In towns with fewer than 2,500 people, 27 percent of firefighters were older than 50 in 2009. That age group made up just 16 percent of firefighters in 1987.

Source: National Volunteer Fire Council



Matt Bridges leads training about fighting chimney fires, at Buhl’s fire station.

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## A Miracle for a Lab Named Max?



Max, a year-old chocolate Lab in need of a home, plays fetch at Fairview Veterinary Center in Buhl. The clinic’s Dr. Patrick Jones treated Max after the dog’s leg was severely injured.

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A chocolate Lab who survived a horrific accident is looking for a home. But in an area overpopulated with Labs, that’s hard to come by.

BY MELISSA DAVLIN  
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**Got Love to Spare?**

They call him Miracle Max. The owner relinquished Max to Home Again Animal Shelter in Buhl this spring. The chocolate Lab puppy had been tied up in the back of a moving truck when he fell over the edge. Max’s leg became tangled in the wheel well, and the moving tire mangled the limb, grinding away muscles and bone. Dr. Patrick Jones was able to save the dog’s leg with a ligament replacement and herb poultices. He nursed the dog back from a 106 degree fever and a bone infection. Today, Max is a healthy year-old dog. And he’d like another miracle: to find a permanent home. But that’s a tough wish to fulfill for many Labrador retrievers in south-central Idaho, said Shelley Holyoak of Home Again. The reason: Too many Labs, especially black Labs, are ending up at shelters, and not enough people are interested in adopting the energetic dogs. Holyoak said Labs and Lab mixes are increasingly common at the Buhl animal shelter. It’s hard enough finding homes for those dogs, but black Labs are especially unwanted. Kendra Blommer, animal care provider at the Twin Falls Animal

Interested in adopting Miracle Max? Call Home Again Animal Shelter at 543-2600.

**Looking for Leather**

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**Look to Kids’ Passions for that Perfect Holiday Gift**

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## There’s a Time, Look and Boot for Everything

**BY SAMANTHA CRITCHELL**  
Associated Press

There’s fall and spring, winter and summer — and there’s boot season. For many fashion fans, that’s the best time of year. Time to break out the cowboy boots and jeans, riding boots and leggings and maybe your best black work trousers and those cute high-heel booties you bought last year. They’re all easy, almost no-fail pairings. Finding the right skirt to go with boots, however, is more likely to trip you up, especially this particular season when it seems anything goes with hemlines. Do long skirts get tall shafts or shorter ones? What’s the rule on miniskirts? And can functional weather-friendly boots meet a fashion-forward midiskirt somewhere on the middle of the calf? “Boots can do it better than almost anything when it comes to pulling your look together, but it also can cut you up,” says celebrity stylist Cristina Ehrlich. She adds: “You have to put your outfit on. If your eye goes straight for the foot, then something isn’t right. You want a full ‘look.’” Since proportion matters, she suggests every outfit get the mirror test because what works for one skirt might not for the next, even if they’re similar styles. Please see **BOOTS, P6**



# Story Starters for the Holiday Table

BY BETSY TOWNER  
*AARP*

Bring this page with you to your holiday gathering. Instead of offering expressions of gratitude, ask each other questions, share something new and, perhaps, bridge a generation gap. We suggest 50 topics to get you started, but no rules apply. Just have fun asking others to fill in the blanks and offering up your own answers. Who knows? Your revelations may become the spiciest dish at the feast.

## My Baby Book

- I was named after \_\_\_\_\_ because \_\_\_\_\_
- My parents told me I was a \_\_\_\_\_ baby
- I remember my grandparents as being \_\_\_\_\_
- I remember my parents as being \_\_\_\_\_
- I remember my siblings as being \_\_\_\_\_

## Earliest Memories

- My first pet was \_\_\_\_\_
- My chores growing up were \_\_\_\_\_
- My favorite toy was \_\_\_\_\_
- My best surprise ever was \_\_\_\_\_
- I wanted to grow up to be a \_\_\_\_\_

## When I Was a Kid

- Something I wish was still sold in stores is \_\_\_\_\_
- The historical moment I remember best is \_\_\_\_\_
- A famous person who made the biggest impression was \_\_\_\_\_
- My first music player was a \_\_\_\_\_ and I liked to listen to \_\_\_\_\_ on it
- The first president I remember was \_\_\_\_\_

## Teen Talk

- My favorite activities at school were \_\_\_\_\_
- My first job was \_\_\_\_\_
- My first car was \_\_\_\_\_ and it cost \_\_\_\_\_
- My favorite musical group was \_\_\_\_\_
- My first home away from my parents was \_\_\_\_\_

## I'm Not Blushing!

- My first crush was on \_\_\_\_\_
  - My first date was with \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_
  - My first kiss was \_\_\_\_\_
  - I met my mate when \_\_\_\_\_
  - My favorite wedding memory is \_\_\_\_\_
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- I am happiest when \_\_\_\_\_
  - I am most at peace when \_\_\_\_\_
  - I often crave \_\_\_\_\_
  - My favorite book is \_\_\_\_\_
  - My favorite movie is \_\_\_\_\_

## Believe It or Not

- My religion is \_\_\_\_\_ because \_\_\_\_\_
- Politically, I consider myself a \_\_\_\_\_
- My beliefs once changed when \_\_\_\_\_
- My biggest hope is that \_\_\_\_\_
- I am superstitious about \_\_\_\_\_

## Juicy Secrets

- If I could marry a celebrity, it would be \_\_\_\_\_
- Once, I was really embarrassed when \_\_\_\_\_
- I think my best feature is my \_\_\_\_\_
- A secret I wish I hadn't kept is \_\_\_\_\_
- I am secretly proud that I can \_\_\_\_\_

## Talkin' Turkey

- The troublemaker of the family was \_\_\_\_\_
- One time I got in hot water when \_\_\_\_\_
- But I didn't get caught when \_\_\_\_\_
- One time I got scared when \_\_\_\_\_
- I'll always regret \_\_\_\_\_

## Bragging a Little

- Our family claim to fame is \_\_\_\_\_
- Once I won a contest when — —
- My proudest moment was \_\_\_\_\_
- My favorite thing about someone at this table is \_\_\_\_\_
- Something I hope you like about me is \_\_\_\_\_

# Laughing Is Good for Your Health? It's No Joke

BY CAROLYN BUTLER

*Special to The Washington Post*

Whenever I took a tumble or scraped my knee as a child, my mother typically assessed the situation and then promptly tickled me, counseling, "Laughter is the best medicine." This trick remains remarkably effective with my own boys and, to this day, YouTube videos of laughing babies or cats playing with printers still have the power to make me feel a bit better when I'm under the weather.

But while giggling is certainly a great distraction when you're hurt or feeling low, I can't help but wonder whether the old adage is true: Can laughter really have a positive impact on health?

There is a growing body of research indicating that a good guffaw may improve immune function, help lower blood pressure, boost mood and reduce stress and depression. And despite a dearth of more rigorous, long-term studies, the sum of these findings is compelling, says cardiologist Michael Miller, a professor at the University of Maryland School of Medicine who has researched the topic.

"We don't have any clinical outcome evidence to show that laughter will reduce heart attacks or improve overall survival. However, we do have a number of studies that have shown that there is a potential upside, in terms of vascular benefits and also overall health," he explains. "These findings certainly support laughter as a reasonable prescription for heart health and health in general, especially since there's really no downside."

A new study from Oxford University supports a long-held theory that laughter triggers an increase in endorphins, the brain chemicals that can help you feel good, distract you from pain and maybe deliver other health benefits.

The study reports on six experiments in which people watched television sitcoms or a live comedy performance, either alone or with others. The participants were then subjected to various measures that prompt discomfort, including wearing an ice-cold sleeve or a tight blood-pressure cuff and squatting against a wall for long periods. In all cases, laughing with buddies for just 15 minutes resulted in an average 10 percent increase in pain threshold. A change in affect alone — in other words, getting happy but not laughing out loud — did not have a significant impact on pain sensations.

According to lead author Robin Dunbar, an evolutionary anthropologist, these results back up prior research suggesting that people who laugh need less pain medication after surgery. She explains that if laughing "triggers endorphin activation, then it may have direct (health) benefits, because there is a possibility that endorphins help to 'tune' the immune system."

Still, we're not just talking about a snicker here and there. The key is that real, true, unforced laughter is "an energetic, stressful activity that stirs up all of our physiological systems ... involving strong vocalization, an increase in heart rate and blood pressure and muscle contractions all over the body," says Robert R. Provine, a neuroscientist at the University of Maryland Baltimore County and the author of "Laughter: A Scientific Investigation."

Before you work up a new stand-up routine, Provine points out that laughter often has little to do with jokes. "Real laughter is unconscious — you don't decide to laugh, it just happens — and if you look at what people are doing before or during a laugh, it's usually not associated with jokes," he says.

## STORK REPORT

### St. Luke's Jerome

**Karson Rily Wade Watson**, son of Shania Wade and Tazon Watson of Hazelton, was born Nov. 1, 2011.

**Carsen Riley Pendergraft**, son of Brandon and Amanda Pendergraft of Jerome, was born Nov. 9, 2011.

### St. Luke's Magic Valley

**Aubry Renee Lewis-Bennett**, daughter of Jenny Lee Bennett and Dominic Ramon Lewis of Twin Falls, was born Oct. 31, 2011.

**Callie Mallee-Lynne Huffman**, daughter of Tiffanee Ann Jones and Brandon James Huffman of Twin Falls, was born Nov. 1, 2011.

**Kason Alan Schulz**, son of Jodi Linn and Travis Brandon Schulz of Kimberly, was born Nov. 7, 2011

**Kasyn Mark Webb**, son of Kallie Jo and Justin Carl Webb of Kimberly, was born Nov. 7, 2011.

**Julanea Janae Hennings**, daughter of Chalayne Juaneta Hennings of Twin Falls, was born Nov. 8, 2011.

**Elias Adonai Torres**, son of Tirsa Elizabeth Torres and Victor Alfredo Torres Barocio of Twin Falls, was born Nov. 9, 2011.

**Ella Lulu Qszust**, daughter of Kimberly Ann and Jake Joseph J. Qszust of Twin Falls, was born Nov. 9, 2011.

**Ameliesha Calieah Handa**, daughter of Shayla Marie Schaffer of Twin Falls, was born Nov. 9, 2011.

**Colton Riley Wisniewski**, son of Tessa Anne and Joshua David Wisniewski of Gooding, was born Nov. 10, 2011.

**Kerra Lee Hiscocks**, daughter of Amy Jo and Casey Lee Hiscocks of Shoshone, was born Nov. 11, 2011.

**Ezekiel Drake Osterhout**, son of Kimberly Arca and Jamie Dean Osterhout of Jackson, was born Nov. 11, 2011.

**Isabella Marie Durham**, daughter of Angeliece Nicole and Joseph James Durham of Filer, was born Nov. 12, 2011.

**Briden Kolby Santana**, son of Taylor Dawn Molt and Gregory Shelby Santana of Shoshone, was born Nov. 12, 2011.

**Fernando Martinez Navaro**, son of Claudia Martinez and Abel Martinez Reyes of Gooding, was born Nov. 13, 2011.

**Noah Robert Schroeder**, son of Tasha Lee and Gregory Alton Schroeder of Twin Falls, was born Nov. 13, 2011.

**Andre Elias Diaz de Leon**, son of Angelica Monique Escobedo and Jake Bryan Diaz de Leon of Twin Falls, was born Nov. 14, 2011.

**Ava Rose Campbell**, daughter of Crystal Lee Anne Rose and Joshua Lamont Campbell of Twin Falls, was born Nov. 14, 2011.

**Asian Israfil Manedov**, son of Gulnora Bekzadovna Usmanova and Ilkham Zabairovich Manedov of Twin Falls, was born Nov. 14, 2011.

**Robert Lee Switzer**, son of Annie Lori and Lawrence Everett Switzer of Twin Falls, was born Nov. 16, 2011.

## NEXT WEEK

### Community Hubs?

Reporter Melissa Davlin looks at the state of Magic Valley's smallest libraries. Next Sunday in People.

## COMING UP

### Green Bean Casserole Again?

Reporter Melissa Davlin talks to families about why they cook what they cook on Thanksgiving. Wednesday in Food

### When the Snow Flies

Want to know what area ski resorts offer snow buffs this season? Read the story by Andrew Weeks. Thursday in Outdoors

## SENIOR CALENDAR

### Twin Falls Senior Citizen Center

530 Shoshone St. W., Twin Falls. Lunch at noon. Suggested donation: \$4.50, seniors 60 and older; \$5.50, non-seniors; \$2.50, children 12 and younger. Bargain Center open 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday through Friday. For lunch take-out, 11 a.m. to noon daily: 734-5084.

**Monday:** Chicken strips  
**Tuesday:** Spaghetti  
**Wednesday:** Roast turkey  
**Thursday:** Closed  
**Friday:** Closed

**Monday:** Quilting, 9 a.m. to noon  
 Fit and Fall Proof, 10:30 a.m.  
 Bridge, 1 p.m.  
 Foot clinic, 1 p.m.  
**Tuesday:** Blood pressure check, 11:30 a.m.  
 Ticket Tuesday, 11:45 a.m.  
 Painting class, 6 p.m.  
 Pinochle, 7 p.m.  
**Wednesday:** Cinnamon rolls for sale, 8:30 a.m. to noon  
 Quilting, 9 a.m. to noon  
 Fit and Fall Proof, 10:30 a.m.  
 Cliff Haak band, 11:30 a.m. to 12:15 p.m.  
 Duplicate bridge, 1 p.m.  
 Pinochle, 7 p.m.  
**Thursday:** Closed  
**Friday:** Closed

### West End Senior Citizens Inc.

1010 Main St., Buhl. Lunch at noon. Suggested donation: \$4, seniors; \$5, non-seniors. Sunday buffet: \$5, seniors, 60 and older; \$6, non-seniors; \$4, children 12 and younger. Bus for lunch pickup: 543-4577 by 10:30 a.m. today, Tuesday and Thursday.

**Today:** Thanksgiving din-

ner, 1 p.m.  
**Monday:** Turkey noodle soup  
**Tuesday:** Barbecue  
**Wednesday:** Closed  
**Thursday:** Closed

**Monday:** SilverSneakers exercise program, 10:30 a.m.  
**Tuesday:** Quilting, 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.  
**Wednesday:** SilverSneakers, 10:30 a.m.  
 Bingo at 7 p.m., public welcome  
**Thursday:** Quilting, 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.  
 Bingo, 1 to 3 p.m.  
**Friday:** SilverSneakers, 10:30 a.m.

### Ageless Senior Citizens Inc.

310 Main St. N., Kimberly. 423-4338. Closed for remodeling.

### Gooding County Senior Citizen Center

308 Senior Ave., Gooding. Lunch at noon. Suggested donation: \$3.50 for seniors. 934-5504.

**Monday:** Taco bar  
**Tuesday:** Thanksgiving dinner  
**Wednesday:** No meal  
**Thursday:** Closed

**Monday:** Pool, 9:30 a.m.  
 Fit and Fall Proof exercise, 11 a.m.  
 Pinochle, 12:30 p.m.  
 Wild card, 6 p.m.  
**Tuesday:** Pool, 9:30 a.m. and 1 p.m.  
 Hand and foot, 6 p.m.  
**Wednesday:** Pool, 9:30 a.m.  
 Fit and Fall Proof, 11 a.m.  
 Shuffleboard, 6 p.m.  
**Thursday:** Closed  
**Friday:** Closed  
**Saturday:** Pinochle, 7 p.m.

### Wendell Senior Meal Site

105 W. Ave. A. Lunch served at noon Mondays.

### Hagerman Valley Senior and Community Center

140 E. Lake, Hagerman. Lunch at noon. Suggested donation: \$4, seniors 60 and older; \$5, non-seniors; \$2, 12 and younger. 837-6120.

**Monday:** Shrimp fettuccini  
**Wednesday:** Turkey dinner  
**Friday:** Closed

**Tuesday:** Bingo, early bird, 6:45 p.m.; cash prizes

### Jerome Senior Center

520 N. Lincoln St., Jerome. 324-5642. Lunch at noon. Suggested donation: \$3.50, seniors; \$5, non-seniors. Trans IV bus: 736-2133.

**Monday:** Chicken alfredo  
**Tuesday:** Turkey  
**Wednesday:** Roast pork  
**Thursday:** Closed  
**Friday:** Closed

**Today:** Potluck, dance; music by Melody Masters, 2 to 5 p.m.; \$5  
**Monday:** SilverSneakers exercise, 10:30 a.m. and 5:20 p.m.  
 Bridge, 12:30 p.m.  
 Bunco, 12:45 p.m.  
**Tuesday:** Energy assistance, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.  
 SilverSneakers, 10:30 a.m.  
 Pinochle, 1 p.m.  
 Let's Dance, 1 p.m.  
 Snack bar, 5 p.m.  
 Bingo, 6:45 p.m.  
**Wednesday:** Breakfast, 8 to 10 a.m.  
 Country Cowboys band

SilverSneakers, 10:30 a.m.  
 YogaStretch, 5:20 p.m.  
 Pinochle, 7 p.m.  
 Zumba, 7 p.m.  
**Thursday:** Closed  
**Friday:** Closed

### Silver and Gold Senior Center

210 E. Wilson, Eden. Lunch at noon. Suggested donation: \$4.00, seniors; \$5, non-seniors. 825-5662.

**Tuesday:** Meatballs and scalloped potatoes  
**Wednesday:** No Bible study or bingo  
**Thursday:** Closed

### Filer Senior Haven

222 Main St., Filer. Lunch at noon Tuesday through Thursday. Suggested donation: \$4. 326-4608.

**Tuesday:** Party casserole  
**Wednesday:** Baked potato bar  
**Thursday:** Closed

**Monday:** Bingo, 7 p.m.; public welcome  
**Tuesday:** Puzzles, 11:30 a.m.  
 Bingo, 12:45 p.m.  
**Wednesday:** Puzzles, 11:30 a.m.  
**Thursday:** Puzzles, 11:30 a.m.  
 Bingo, 1 p.m.

### Camas County Senior Center

127 Willow Ave. W., Fairfield. Lunch at noon. Suggested donation: \$4, seniors 60 and older; \$4.50, non-seniors; \$2.50, children 10 and younger. 764-2226.

**Tuesday:** Chicken and broccoli alfredo  
**Wednesday:** Potato soup  
**Friday:** Closed



# Look to Kids’ Passions for Perfect Gifts

BY LEANNE ITALIE  
Associated Press

To the uninitiated, buying gifts for kids can feel like a treasure hunt without a map through store aisles and websites packed for the holidays. But sussing out clues may not be as difficult as it looks.

Has the young recipient ever offered you one of his homemade cupcakes? Have you seen her tear around on a little ride-on bike? Is the living room often strewn with building bricks or stacking blocks?

Casual buyers looking for presents for children they don’t know well need only focus on general interests. Mom and dad will likely take on the “it” gift of the season, or farm it out to grandma, leaving lots of room for other shoppers, whether the giftee is a builder, baker or bookish.

If that sounds too complicated, reach for the classics — in books, apparel or toys, said Rachel Jarrett, general manager of the children’s department for the sale site Gilt Groupe. A sweater with room for size variation, or mittens or hats, for example. Try toys in wood, including eco-friendly bamboo.

“We do incredibly well with wooden toys,” Jarrett said.

Anne Keane, fashion director for Lucky magazine, suggests keeping it simple. “Generally, staying with moderately classic, small gifts is the easiest route to take for all age groups,” she said. “Especially if you don’t know the kids that well.”

A few suggestions by interest:

## LEGO KIDS

**Lego lunch set:** Licensed Lego lunch box in the shape of a brick, with two mini-boxes also made to look like the real thing, along with a drinking bottle topped by an iconic yellow Lego head for the cap. From Plast Team.

**Giant Lego brick for room storage:** Also licensed, storage boxes with lids that stack, wastebaskets with yellow-headed lids included. Heads also come as

storage in two sizes. From Plast Team.

**Lego Life of George:** For use with iPhone and iPod Touch. A new, 122-piece building game in a box featuring a little dude named George that’s interactive with the two devices. One or two players build models based on challenges received on phone or Touch using a building base included. Various difficulty levels. Works with iPhone 4, iPhone 3Gs and iPod Touch fourth generation. Marked for ages 14 and up due to social media tie-ins, the game would be good for kids as young as 8.

**Lego calendar for 2012:** 28 pages, wall-size, features constructions from top Lego designers, including a space shuttle, the White House and an entire city block. From Workman Publishing.

**Lego watch:** Lots and lots of Lego-themed watches are out there. There’s one called the Lego Make-N-Create with links that look like brick in the brand’s classic blue, yellow, red and green. The set includes 22 links in assorted colors and two bezels. From Lego.

**“The Lego Ideas Book”:** Tips from master builders on taking what a child already has and making something new. Divided into six themes, including transportation, buildings, space and kingdoms. By Daniel Lipkowitz. From DK Children.

## GO-GO KIDS

**BIT Bikes:** Curved wood bodies and two wide wheels in neon pink, blue, orange and green with seats to match for new walkers or toddlers who love to roll. Handlebars built into front of the unusual design. From Glodos.

**Go Cars:** Easily graspable rolling hand toy for toddlers with a shiny, sleek design that includes eyes and rubber-coated wheels. In blue, red and green. From Kid O Products.

**“Meet the Cars”:** Colorful but not too wordy hardcover encyclopedia featuring 200 characters from the Disney Pixar movies “Cars” and “Cars 2.” With a poster. From

Disney Book Group.

**Tip Trucks:** Minimalist but high design trucks with hinged beds. Small enough for little hands. Rubber wheels and a face-like front. From Kid O Products.

**Red Bullet Balance Bike:** Looks like a regular bike, only there are no pedals or training wheels. Children learn how to ride a two-wheeler through balance. Seat adjusts to keep feet low to the ground. By Chicco.

## EARTHY KIDS

**Tegu:** Magnetic blocks made from sustainable hardwood harvested in Honduras. Buyers can send a child in Honduras to school for a day or plant a tree there to replenish rainforest with every purchase. Candy-colored sets finished with nontoxic, water-based colorings. Good for a range of ages. Made in Honduras.

**Eco-kids:** Art supplies from a Portland, Maine-based mom and pop company with nontoxic, natural ingredients and environmentally friendly packaging. Handmade molding doughs, finger paints, crayons and paste. Kids will love the packaging — a set of doughs comes in a cardboard tower and the crayons in rocklike shapes in little tins.

**Futbol:** The One World Futbol Project sells a durable, no-stitch blue ball designed like a traditional soccer ball but for all terrains, and has a “give one, get one” offer to donate a second ball to partner organizations around the world. Online only at Oneworldfutbol.com.

**Rock Paper Notebooks:** Spiral-bound sketchbooks with slick, strong paper made from chunks of limestone ground to dust (80 percent of content) bound with a nontoxic resin (the other 20 percent). No trees chopped, no water used in the manufacturing process, no bleach, no post-production waste.

## FOODIE KIDS

**Easy-Bake Ultimate Oven:** Sure, cooking on the real thing is great, but this ver-

sion of the classic is space-agey in purple and doesn’t require a light bulb. The baking pan is bigger and it also comes with a cupcake pan. Two mixes included. From Hasbro.

**Nest kitchenware:** Go with real tools that kids and parents can both enjoy. These sets from Joseph Joseph of six or eight pieces include durable measuring cups and mixing bowls in bright, child-friendly colors.

**Go Anywhere Grill:** Parents looking to keep their 3-year-olds away from the hot backyard grill will appreciate this 33-piece wooden hibachi-like play grill set. With charcoal bits and two play shish-kabobs. Add on the My Backyard BBQ Fix-ins Starter Set with condiments, also wood. Both by Hape.

## BOOKISH KIDS

**“Every Thing On It”:** More than 100 never-before-published poems and drawings from Shel Silverstein’s personal archives. The second original book published since Silverstein’s death in 1999. Parents and little kids love him for read-alouds. HarperCollins, ages 9-12.

**“Wonder Struck”:** In the style of “The Invention of Hugo Cabret,” Brian Selznick’s newest mystery alternates two stories focused on the American Museum of Natural History in New York. One, that of a boy struck deaf, is told in words. The other, of a girl named Rose who lived 50 years earlier, is told in pictures. Scholastic, ages 9-12.

**“The Hunger Games”:** A cloth-cover collector’s edition of the runaway best-seller by Suzanne Collins in a gift slipcase. Scholastic, ages 12 and up.

**“My Name is Mina”:** David Almond’s prequel to his “Skellig” from 1998. The new book focuses on the girl who lives next to Michael, the narrator of “Skellig” who finds a mysterious man in his garage. Random House, ages 10 and up.

**“Dork Diaries Box Set”:** First three books in the



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**1:** Kid o’s minimalist but high design Tip Trucks have hinged beds and are small enough for little hands.

**2:** The nonprofit One World Futbol Project sells a durable, no-stitch blue ball designed like a traditional soccer ball but for all terrains, with a ‘give one, get one’ offer to donate a second ball.

heavily illustrated Rachel Renee Russell series chronicling the not-so-fabulous life of middle schooler Nikki Maxwell. Good for reluctant readers or more enthusiastic ones just growing into the age range. Aladdin, ages 9-12.

**“The Bippolo Seed and Other Lost Stories”:** Collection of seven original stories written and illustrated by Dr. Seuss. Originally published in magazines in 1950-51 but never in book form. Looking to impress the parents, much? Random House, ages 6-9.

**“The Betsy-Tacy Treasury”:** The first four books of the Maud Hart Lovelace classic series in highly portable trade paperback. Bonus material at end includes photos of the real people on which the series is based, and details on the life of author and illustrator Lois Lenski. HarperPerennial, ages 4-8.

**“Steampunk!”:** Beautiful

new anthology from 14 writers in the quirky science fiction-fantasy and very ‘80s genre of steampunk. Edited by Kelly Link and Gavin J. Grant. These are, as the book’s subtitle notes, “fantastically rich and strange stories” Candlewick Press, young adult.

**“Bumble-Ardy”:** A new one from Maurice Sendak featuring a pig and a belated birthday bash. It’s the first book in 30 years both written and illustrated by the 83-year-old Sendak, though he first created it in the ‘70s. HarperCollins, ages 4-8.

**“Goodnight iPad”:** Yes, a board book parody in the style of the Margaret Wise Brown classic “Goodnight Moon.” The little bunny characters are tech-crazed and the old lady in the rocking chair is overwhelmed by the “bings, bongs and beeps of e-mails and tweets.” By Ann Droyd, a cheeky pseudonym for David Milgrim. Penguin, all ages.

# Marlboro Man Meets Moisturizer

BY MAE ANDERSON  
Associated Press

Everyone wants flawless skin, flat abs and a fab rear. But men don’t always admit it.

So, companies that sell products promising to help guys lose weight, conceal bloat and enhance skin have to walk a fine line between men’s vanity and masculinity. But how do you market moisturizer to the Marlboro Man?

Dove plays the theme song to the 1930s TV western “The Lone Ranger” and compares guys’ skin with cowhide in commercials for its men’s shower gel. Weight Watchers uses TV spots with trimmed-down singer Jennifer Hudson to market to women, but opts for average Joes talking about drinking beer and grilling meat in ads for its weight loss program for men. Dr Pepper is more overt in ads for its diet soda targeted toward men with the tagline: “It’s not for women.”

The ads come as guys of all ages are succumbing to growing pressure to suck in their guts and hide their blemishes. In one of the biggest signs that men are more image-conscious, the number of chemical peels, laser hair removal and other cosmetic procedures on men is up 45 percent since 2000, according to the American Society of Plastic Surgeons.

“Back in the day, guys cared more about working hard and providing than having a hairy chest or a beer belly,” said Brian McCarthy, 32, a Philadelphia

who works out regularly and uses hair pomade. “Guys worry more about their appearance than they used to.”

Fashion and pop culture have a lot to do with the change. The ultra-slim silhouette and skinny jeans that hit the high-fashion world several years ago have infiltrated men’s departments in mainstream stores like Banana Republic and Old Navy. And because of social media websites like Facebook and Twitter, men constantly are confronted with photos of fit male celebs like singer Justin Timberlake and actor Will Smith.

The U.S. economic downturn even plays a role. With unemployment around 9 percent, men looking for a job have to make sure their look is as polished as their resume. “The better you look, the more you’re going to earn,” said Deborah Mitchell, executive director for the Center for Brand and Product Management at the University of Wisconsin School of Business. “Men are increasingly thinking ‘Wow, I need to look good or look young.’”

That doesn’t mean men want the whole world to know.

Dove officials had that in mind when they launched a line of shower gels for men. The brand, a unit of Unilever, had been synonymous with women since the 1950s. But when Dove rolled out the Men+Care line of lighter-scented shower gels, it used a more “manly” approach to marketing.

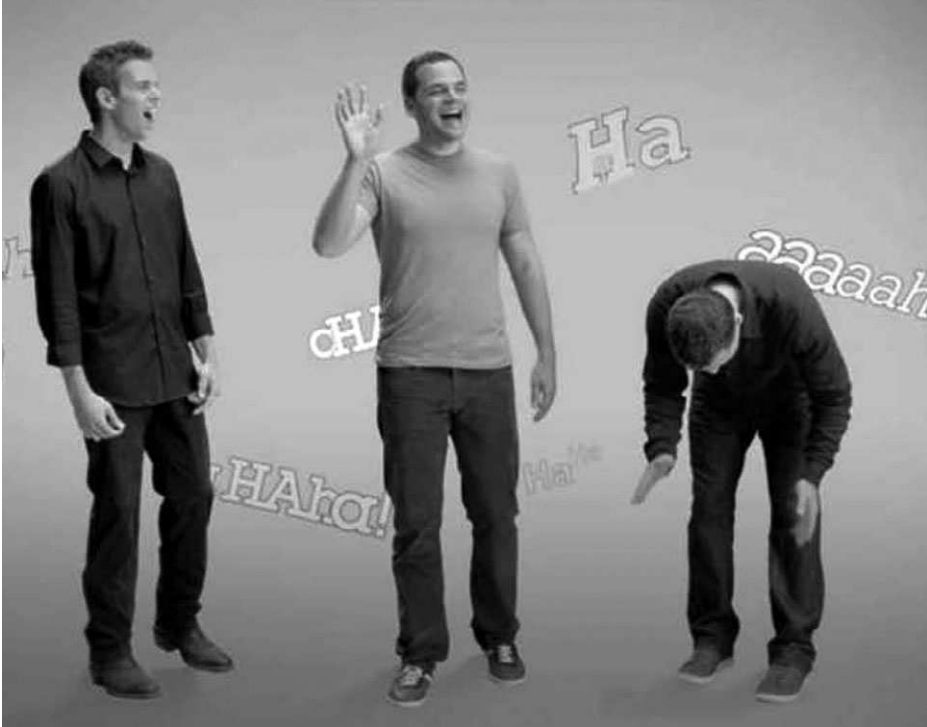


PHOTO BY WEIGHT WATCHERS ONLINE

**This screen shot provided by Weight Watchers Online shows a recent advertisement for men.**

The “Manthem,” which was launched during the Super Bowl in 2010, showed a man’s journey through life from conception to age 30. In another ad, the theme music for “The Lone Ranger” plays as a deep male voice urges men to use Dove shower gel to moisturize their “man hide,” which it says dries out like cowhide. Then, the voiceover implores men to not be bashful: “Be comfortable in your own skin.”

Rob Candelino, Unilever’s marketing director for personal wash in the U.S., declined to give sales for the Men+Care line, but said the campaign has exceeded expectations.

Before seeing ads for the

Men+Care line, James Harris, 32, wouldn’t dare use his girlfriend’s Dove soap. But since seeing one of the ads during a Yankees baseball game in April, he has become a loyal user of the brand. “If it’s for men, I’ll use it,” says the student who lives in Birmingham, Ala. “If it’s for women, I won’t.”

Many men won’t use the word ‘girdle.’ So, Spanx, which sells girdle-like products to slim physiques, made some changes when it launched its men’s line last year. To market its “compression” shirt, which is designed to make a man’s chest look firmer, the company tweaked its packaging and website. Both feature a macho, superhero-like

character named Blake to convey the idea that men can “do anything” and feel “powerful” while wearing Spanx.

“Men’s psyches are different than women’s,” says Laurie Ann Goldman, Spanx CEO. “Men want to feel powerful and strong. Women want to feel smart and choice-ful.”

As for whether the name is a deterrent for men? Sales of Spanx for Men are about 40 percent better than the company expected, Goldman said, although she declined to give figures. “We found if you could take a couple of inches off a man’s waist and tighten his torso, he would be fine calling it Spanx,” she says.

# STUDY: TEENS FIND PEERS KIND ON SOCIAL NETWORKS

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**NEW YORK** • Despite all the worries about online bullying, more than two-thirds of teenagers on social-networking sites say their peers are mostly kind, a new study from the Pew Internet and American Life Project finds.

Still, 15 percent say they have been the target of mean or cruel behavior, and 88 percent say they have witnessed such behavior directed at others.

One-fifth of teens who use social-networking sites say they have personally joined in such bullying, and four-fifths say they defended someone who was a victim of meanness or cruelty. In all, 12 percent of all teens say they experienced bullying in the past 12 months, either in person, online or by text message or phone call.

The study also found that about 40 percent of parents of teens have friended their children on a social-networking site. But that tends to lead to more conflicts between parent and child over an experience on such sites.

The study’s co-author, Mary Madden, notes that children can present a limited profile to their parents and use private messaging channels to engage with friends.

Most teens say they employ privacy controls on social networks. Only 17 percent say that the profile they use the most is completely public.



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## Therapy Pets Ease M-C Patients

Cassia Regional Medical Center patients got a surprise Halloween visit from a princess and a prisoner — though neither likely said a word, and both were unusually hairy.

Their visitors were Lexy, a miniature schnauzer, and Little-bit, a miniature poodle, dressed in their Halloween finest and eager to make new friends. Both dogs are part of Therapy Pets Serving Mini-Cassia, a group of 10 pets — both dogs and cats — and their owners who visit schools, hospitals, nursing homes and any facilities where interaction with pets would benefit people.

Therapy Pets tries to visit the hospital approximately twice per month. Other programs include teaching responsible pet ownership to children at the Cassia Juvenile Detention Center as a privilege program for good behavior. At two local schools, children who are nervous to read to an adult practice reading to a non-judgmental dog instead. The group hopes to expand to offering speech and physical therapy, though it needs more members first — especially those who can volunteer during the day.

Therapy pet team members allow people to pet, brush or just look at their pets. They may ask permission to carefully place a small pet on a person's lap or on their bed. They may do simple tricks or obedience routines to entertain and to help people take their minds off their problems. A person might walk alongside the dog and owner or throw toys for fetching games.

At the hospital, pet and owner teams make special visits on holidays when some patients might feel especially lonely. Pet owners must participate in the hospital volunteer program and keep up on the training and education requirements for volunteering. They and their



**Pictured are Lori Kreider with Little-bit, at left, and Lori Fletcher with Lexy.**

### Get Involved

Therapy Pets is searching for more members, especially those who can volunteer during the day. For more information: Lori Fletcher, 436-6861; Lori Kreider, 219-9327; or [www.TherapyPetsServing-MiniCassia.com](http://www.TherapyPetsServing-MiniCassia.com).

pets have hospital badges. "Typically we see patients who are on their second or third day at the hospital. They are stable and getting anxious or bored and want to go home," Lori Fletcher, Lexy's owner, said in a press

release. "Our job is to give them comfort and perhaps bring a little fun to their stay."

Aside from the benefits to patients, the visits also give the volunteers intimate insight on health care. One of the visits Fletcher recalls was to a dying woman whose daughter asked her and Lexy to stop in. Fletcher placed Lexy on the bed with the woman, and Lexy gently rested her head on the woman's hand for awhile.

"You can train all dogs to have good behavior but the best therapy pets are the ones that love people," said Fletcher.

Fletcher helped Lori Krei-

der and Cassia Douglas, Kreider's daughter, bring Pet Therapy to Mini-Cassia about 10 years ago. Kreider described a good therapy pet as one that is at least 1 year old, remains calm around distractions and other dogs, enjoys interaction with people, and allows strangers to pet him.

Such pets should be at ease around medical equipment such as wheelchairs, walkers and canes, and have been through obedience training. Handlers must be sure their pets are clean and healthy before visiting people. Therapy pets are also registered, certified and insured.

## Chiropractic Clinic Helps Toys for Tots

Williams Chiropractic Clinic, 392 Falls Ave. in Twin Falls, has teamed up with the U.S. Marines' Toys for Tots program to help area children have a great Christmas.

For a \$10 toy donation, Williams Chiropractic will give a raffle ticket and \$120 coupon that can be used

toward a first visit at the business.

Anyone donating a toy will be entered in a drawing to win dinner for two, an oil change, craft shopping spree and other prizes. A drawing will be held at noon Dec. 21. You don't have to be present to win.



**Pictured from left are Kendell Kast, Cassidy Ferrell and Krista McMurray.**

## Burley Student Tops Regional Speech Contest

Three students placed in the Division IV Speech Contest put on Nov. 2 by local soil and water conservation districts.

The West Cassia Soil and Water Conservation District hosted the semi-annual meeting in Burley. The top speech winner from each of the 11 districts in the division was invited to compete in the division contest.

The speeches were the contestants' own original text, researched and written

by them. Each was between three and five minutes in length and centered around the theme "Forest for People — More Than You Can Imagine!"

Krista McMurray, representing West Cassia, took first and competed at the state-level contest on Nov. 14 in Boise.

Cassidy Ferrell of the Twin Falls SWCD took second, and Kendell Kast placed third, representing the Snake River SWCD.

## Watch Those Winter Roads

With winter approaching, there are a few things you can do to prepare for the upcoming hazardous driving season. Some of these are simple things that you can do with a simple checklist. Here is a list prepared by AAA.

Check your battery and charging system. This includes battery cables and terminals. The best bet would be to have it checked by a technician. A lot of area repair places will check this for free. It is much better to know that your battery will hold up in case you end up stranded somewhere or have to wait for a road to open.

Check your belts (not the ones holding up your pants). If your belt appears to be cracked, take it in and have it checked. Belts never break at opportune times, (like there is one) they usually break on the coldest, darkest and loneliest roads.

While you are checking your belts, also check the hoses to make sure they will hold up. Once again, these usually never cause problems during store hours or while driving through nice places.

Since you'll be checking your hoses, it would also be a good time to check the coolant level. An engine that does not have enough antifreeze-to-water can be a nightmare on a very cold morning.

Check your lights to make sure all of them are working. Winter blizzards make it especially tough to



**Dan Bristol**  
Policeman Dan

see vehicles without lights or enough lights.

Winter is a good time to replace those windshield wipers. New wipers make it easier to clean off all of the dirty slush that gets on your windshield. Also, make sure you have enough windshield wiper fluid and make sure it is winterized. Nothing makes a drive more fun than trying to wash off the dried mud (from the slush) and getting smears where you can't see clearly out of your windshield.

The last check is most obvious: check your tires for not only tread for traction, but also proper air pressure. Tires that are in bad shape will affect traction and cost more in damage than the cost of getting new tires. While your tires are off, it would also be a good time to have the brakes inspected to make sure they will work properly.

Now, I know some you are out there asking why I'm giving car care advice. The truth of the matter is that I hate to take crash reports, and I also hate to stand out in the cold on a motorist assist because some simple, inexpensive

fixes could have prevented the issues. I also want to see drivers stay alive and out of the hospitals this winter driving season.

**A heads up:** Impaired emphasis patrols are running this week, from Nov. 19-27. That means that more officers than normal will be looking for impaired drivers. If you're not sure if you are impaired, play it safe and call a designated driver to save you a stay in the gray bar motel (aka jail).

### Officer Down

Please put this officer, killed in the line of duty, and his family in your prayers. God bless this hero.

• Detective Shane Wilson, Doraville Police, Ga. He fought the good fight, now may he rest in peace.

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*Dan Bristol is the Heyburn chief of police.*



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## AARP Driving Class Planned

The South Central Public Health District and Matt Stokes Insurance will host an AARP driver safety class on Nov. 29 at the health district's Twin Falls office, 1020 Washington St. N.

The class will be taught from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. It is designed to help older drivers compensate for the normal physiological changes that may tend to

make driving more difficult. There are no graded or driving tests.

Class size is limited and preregistration is required. Cost is \$14 per person; AARP members receive a \$2 discount. During November, all military veterans or active-duty personnel may attend free.

Information or to register: Bernie Jansen, 733-1168.

## CLEANING CORNER

**Question:** During the holidays, I will be hosting family members in my home for several days. It will be great, except I'm worried about a particular relative who is extremely sensitive and cautious about chemicals contained in household cleaning products. She is always assessing harmful gasses and contaminations in the air. I want to avoid conflicts... any help? "Passing Gas to Aunt Bertie"

**Answer:** Gassy Aunt Bertie has reason to be cautious! Opening a bottle of cleaner seems like an innocent task, but recent studies indicate that household chemicals are second only to car emissions in contributing to dangerous gasses. What can you do? Choose our environmentally friendly GREENER ALTERNATIVE cleaning products. You can also clean chemically-free by using Don Aslett's Everywhere Steam-er. Cleaning with steam is an excellent chemical-free alternative. *P.S. You can see how it works and all it can do at: [www.cleanreport.com](http://www.cleanreport.com)*

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**Fawcett**

Although Buhl's department has plenty of volunteers now, Fawcett notices that fewer people are expressing interest. It's getting harder to find people who are interested in responding to 2 a.m. calls, he said.

Oakley Fire Chief Harlo Clark agreed. With retirements and a low number of new recruits, the number of Oakley firefighters has fluctuated between six and 15 in the last year. He currently has 10 volunteers, but some of those guys are

retiring soon.

"Replacing them is going to be even more difficult," Clark said.

Another challenge of volunteering in a small town: Knowing everyone. When you respond to a call, Wells said, there is a good chance you're acquainted with the person in need.

"We had one recently that everybody knew him," Wells said. "He didn't make it."

On calls like that, volunteers have to stay professional and reserve their shock and grief until later.

It's hard, Wells said, but rewarding.

"You're talking to people at their worst possible times," he said. "You do feel like you can really help people at that level. That's the reward."

## How Do They Work?

South-central Idaho's first-response districts handle volunteers differently. In Castleford, volunteer EMTs aren't paid and are responsible for certification costs. Buhl EMTs and firefighters are paid per call individually, while Jerome Rural Fire District splits \$250 between those who respond. (Even though they get paid, they're still considered volunteers — you can't make a living off occasional calls.)

The makeup of each first-response department is also different. Some, like Oakley, are only EMTs or only firefighters, while others are mixed. Jerome used to have EMTs, said Fire Chief Joe Robinette, but their licenses lapsed. Buhl has a mix of both, with a handful cross-trained to do either job. Oakley split its EMTs and fire department a few years ago.

Volunteer first respon-

ders can tackle both cities and rural areas. Castleford's district covers 1,600 square miles and stretches south to the Nevada border, said volunteer Jon Wells. It's a big area, but they don't go to every call; sometimes, they arrange with other agencies to send helicopters to remote areas.

## Joining the Crew

- **To become** a volunteer EMT, you'll need 130 hours of classtime, said volunteer EMT Jon Wells. Every few years, you'll have to take more classes to catch up on requirements. You'll also have to pass the National Registry Exam and a background check.

- **To become** a volunteer firefighter, check with the local fire department. Chances are, it'll send you to fire training and put you on a probation period, when you'll be expected to attend drills and classes at the department.

# Men, Heavy People May Outpace Women, Slim People in Eating Speed

BY JEANNINE STEIN

Los Angeles Times

If we are what we eat, we also may be how fast we eat. Two studies from the University of Rhode Island offer some insight into the relationship between how fast we eat and how much we eat.

The first study compared eating rates and calories consumed among 30 men and 30 women at various meals. Researchers discovered that people who ate quickly consumed about 3.1 ounces of food per minute, versus 2.5 ounces per minute for medium-speed eaters and 2 ounces per minute for slow eaters.

For those who question whether men eat more than women, wonder no more: At lunch, men ate about 80 calories per minute, while women ate about 52 calories per minute. At breakfast and dinner, men still consumed more calories per minute than women, but the gap

wasn't so wide. Still, the researchers reported that men who said they ate slowly ate at about the same rate as women who said they ate quickly.

The second study looked at eating rates among men and women while consuming different types of food. Overall, liquid meals were eaten more quickly than solid meals, and men consumed both liquid and solid foods faster than women.

Researchers also discovered that people with a higher body mass index in general ate much faster than those with a lower BMI. Also, foods with whole grains (whole-grain cereal and whole-wheat toast) were eaten more slowly than similar foods made with refined grains.

"Whole grains are more fibrous, so you have to chew them more, which takes more time," said co-author Kathleen Melanson, an associate professor of nutrition.



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(TOP) Felted earrings and a necklace from Jenne Giles' book 'Felt Fashion.' (ABOVE) For this scarf, Leah Adams of Seattle combined white ruffled bands of silk chiffon with painted silk and Merino wool roving in shades of stormy gray.

# Felting Transforms Raw Material into Works of Art

BY JENNIFER FORKER

For The Associated Press

Seven years ago, Jenne Giles was a San Francisco painter and sculptor who didn't know felting existed. Now she works almost exclusively in the medium, stretching the possibilities of felt in fashion.

There's a soft-sculpture aspect to wet felting that is attractive to Giles, who sells her ruffled scarves in museum gift shops and online at the Artful Home. It's tactile and hands-on, like working in clay, she says.

"It incorporates all the things that I love," says Giles, author of "Felt Fashion: Couture Projects from Garments to Accessories" (Quarry Books, 2010).

"It's an ancient medium," she adds. "It's right there at the dawn of mankind, after making clothing from leather and sinew."

Felting has two methods: Needle felting uses a barbed needle that pokes dry wool roving — raw fleece — into place. It's often used to make cute critters and dolls. Needle felting is not as permanent or sturdy as wet felting, which uses hot, soapy water and agitation to enmesh wool fibers so tightly that they cannot be pulled apart.

Many artists combine wool with other fibers, such as silk, in their wet-felted projects.

Yet another method that is often called felting involves agitating a knitted wool item, such as a bag or scarf, in soapy, warm water to compact its fibers, shrinking it. But in the felting community, this method is set apart as "fulling." Whereas needle and wet felting begin with wool roving, the knitting-and-fulling process uses wool yarn.

Leah Adams combines needle and wet felting in colorful geodes, and sells kits for them at her Etsy shop, kneek (short for "knitting geek"), or SpiderFelt.

Adams moved her art studio out of her Seattle home nine months ago, and just moved it again — to gain more felting space. "I have not exhausted everything I can imagine," she says.

In the five years she's been felting, Adams has made her

share of scarves so she's turning to larger, more time-consuming projects like wall hangings.

She encourages non-felters to give it a try.

"The materials are cheap. It's not a huge investment in time. It's easy to try," she says.

Many felters say it's the transformative nature of wool felting that attracts them. "It's a pretty magical experience to start with a raw material and create a textile out of it," says LeBrie Rich of Portland, Ore., who's been felting full-time for five years.

Rich makes scarves and accessories — a faux-watch cuff, for example — but confesses to a love of felted desserts; view her four-layer cake and three years of felted Thanksgiving dinners created for a Portland knitting store at her website, LeBrie.

Giles, too, sees magic in wool fibers being transformed from a loose state to a tightly entangled one. The texture changes, and colors deepen.

"There is kind of a moment in felt-making where before the wool becomes matted, it looks exactly like paint strokes," she says.

Needle-felting several colors into a ball — or into one of Adams' geodes — provides another avenue for surprise when the ball or geode is cut open. This is fun to do with children, who can start needle felting as young as 4 and 5 with adult supervision, according to Adams.

A felted scarf is another good beginner's project, says Rich. All you need to get started is wool roving, soap and hot water.

Learn how to do either felting technique by viewing tutorials online, including on YouTube. The International Feltmakers Association explains materials and techniques, while FeltUnited, a non-profit that connects felt artists worldwide, posts an eclectic online gallery of works.

Adams suggests perusing the web links at "Feltmaker's Links FAQ," provided by Felt-makers, an online discussion group. She recommends reading "Uniquely Felt" (Storey Publishing, 2007), by Christine White, to learn basic techniques.



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**Max is a great dog, says Dr. Patrick Jones of Buhl's Fairview Veterinary Center. 'I don't know why he doesn't have a home.'**

## Max

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Shelter, said its kennels have plenty of Labs and black dogs.

"(Labs are) just a very popular breed around here, and I think they just keep breeding them," Blommer said.

Other shelters see the same problem. Of 14 dogs listed on Jerome's Petfinder.com site last week, five were Labs. At the Mini-Cassia Animal Rescue Foundation's site, six of 21 dogs listed were Labs or Lab mixes.

While chocolate Labs fare better at shelters than their black counterparts, Max is still homeless. Part of the reason, Holyoak reasons, is that he has the crazy energy of a young

## Boots

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It's all about lines. You don't really want the top of the boot to meet the hemline; it could be longer or shorter — and filled in, when needed, with opaque tights, says Jen Ford, fashion news director at Lucky magazine.

Ehrlich, a style spokeswoman for Via Spiga, says the most foolproof boot choice is a to-the-knee shaft and a wedge heel, probably in black suede. But, she adds, you'd be surprised how easy it is to incorporate a dark purple, bottle green or gray suede into an existing wardrobe, even one rooted in black.

With a two- or three-inch heel, there's re-

ally not an outfit you can't wear with these boots. She'd put them on in September and not take them off until April — and that's traveling to different places and climates.

"With the wedge, you get comfort and gain a few inches. You can dress it up or dress it down," Ehrlich explains. "It's chic and cool."

Ford recommends a work-horse boot that is just a couple of inches shorter than the knee, more like mid-calf. With tights in the same color, you'll still get the illusion of a longer leg, but there's a chance to do some trendy colorblocking here, and, she says, you can also capture the playfulness that can come with an ankle bootie, especially if you go for a lace-up style and at least a bit of a heel.

It works for pencil skirts, longer lengths and even some minis, Ford says. It's that to-the-

knee skirt that will prove tricky with these boots, too. For that, there really is just the ankle boot.

The most refined and sophisticated ankle boots that can pair with skirt suits (pencil skirt, please) have sculpted ankles, which most women will find flattering, says Erlich. Those booties also do the bohemian look justice, so you can wear them with a maxi skirt, too.

There's some room for over-the-knee boots with long or short skirts if you're using a very careful eye about the proportion, but there's almost no reason to try. Shoe designer Stuart Weitzman says over-the-knee boots already "had their run" a few seasons ago.

The buzz now, he says, is about the boots that bring you fashion and function.

He likes the way faux fur and other luxe trim now adorn weather friendly boots. It means, he

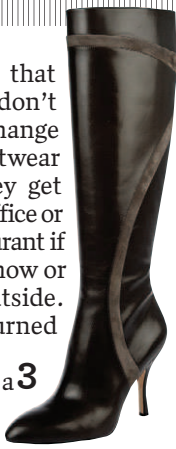
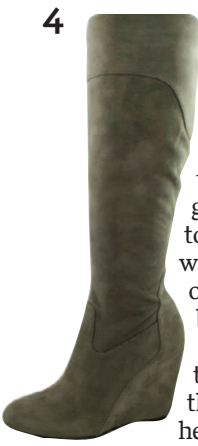
says, that women don't have to change their footwear when they get into the office or to a restaurant if there is snow or rain outside. "We've turned weather boots into a fashion-looking item. ... Those are great with your workday dress or skirt. They're a little bit chunkier but they don't have to be 'rain boots,'" Weitzman says. "We've taken lessons from Uggs and Hunter and grabbed on to that by making them cool fashion looks that you can wear with anything."

**1: The Pilot velour boot. Photo courtesy Stuart Weitzman**

**2: The Upbeat black boot. Photo courtesy Stuart Weitzman**

**3: The Perry boot. Photo courtesy Via Spiga**

**4: The Farah boot. Photo courtesy Via Spiga**





# Bad Coffee is Keeping Me Up Nights

I'm the chief cook and bottle-washer at my house since I'm retired and my wife isn't.

The other evening, company was coming to dinner and I downloaded a pork recipe off the Internet. Didn't read the fine print first.

It called for, among other things, three cups of leftover brewed coffee.

I had the coffee, all right. It had been sitting in the percolator since dawn, eating through the ceramic carafe. Could I bring myself to serve that to the guests and run the risk of being convicted of negligent homicide?

Just then the doorbell rang. It was way too late for second thoughts, so the cold coffee — slimy film on the surface and sludge at the bottom — went into the cooking pot.

Our guests survived, but it got me to thinking: Is there such a thing as a decent cup of coffee anymore?

Yeah, I know Starbucks is a \$6 billion business, but it serves mostly coffee-flavored milk and foam. I'm talking about the hard stuff here.

When was the last time your cup o' joe really was good to the last drop?

1969? Sounds about right. That was the year Juan Valdez retired.

Valdez, portrayed by actor Jose Duval, was the Madison Avenue-generated symbol of the National Federation of Coffee Growers of Colombia. In countless print and television ads, Juan and his coffee bean sack-laden mule Conchita extolled the virtues of "mountain-grown" coffee.

Valdez — and Conchita — had faces you could trust. So many of us came of age uncorking 3-pound cans of Yuban, just as happy as if we had good sense.

The coffee may have been good — or it might not. The point is, we believed it was.



Steve Crump  
Don't Ask Me

Forty-two years later, Colombia, the proud realm of the arabica coffee bean, has slipped to third among coffee-producing nations, behind Vietnam and Brazil. Vietnam is the dominion of the robusta bean — the cheap red wine of coffee beans.

Sashay down your supermarket's coffee aisle and grab any 3-pound can at random: Chances are very good it's brimming with robusta.

Then, too, in 1969 decaf coffee was relegated to the Sanka shelf. Now it's ubiquitous. One out of every eight cups of coffee sold in the United States contains no caffeine, and thus has no reason what-ever to exist.

Decaf tastes awful, contributing to the lamentable trend of gulping your morning java and grimacing.

When I was in college, some friends and I took a day trip to San Francisco's North Beach district. Back then, it was an Italian neighborhood and we walked in a little coffee shop where Joe Dimaggio's autographed photo hung on the wall (he grew up next door). I asked the old man behind the counter if we could get a quick cup of coffee.

"A quick cup," he gasped. "Not in my house!"

So we ordered a slow cup. I can still taste it to this day.

Maybe that's because after four decades of drinking robusta, I can't taste much of anything else.

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## Water

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water concerns. That proposal only garnered 44 percent approval, though, as a variety of voters questioned the need for improvements to schools in communities other than their own.

"We do have some of the, 'What is my neighbor getting over the fence,' in a consolidated district," District Board Trustee Mike Matthews said at the time.

Now, the school district is eyeing a potential \$200,000 fix to provide Malta students safe, clean water they can drink out of fountains currently marked off limits. Until such a fix surfaces, Malta students will fill their cups with bottled water that the school has shipped in.

"I think it's horrible," said Malta resident Elaine Tolman. "They need to fix it and they should have done it a long time ago. The kids pack their own water bottles to school because they are afraid to drink the water."

"The district just keeps passing the buck and saying it might be this or it might be that. Would other people send their children to a school where you can't drink the water?"

## Cutting the Flow

The Malta schools' well last tested positive for coliform bacteria on July 25.

Since, the South Central Public Health District, which monitors the school's well system, has noted several negative tests. But due to health concerns that include a 2006 positive test for E-coli, school officials are keeping drinking fountains dry.

Merle Egbert, SCPHD's environmental health director, said the problem has been sporadic, with the school receiving several positive tests in 2008 and better results in 2009. Raft River Elementary School Principal Eric Boden said coliform has been found in both schools, and the problem has been ongoing for at least six years.

After holding a community meeting this fall to evaluate how to proceed, district officials brought in bottled water for students to drink and shut off hallway water fountains. That fix hasn't been entirely popular.

"They are wasting money on water when they should just be getting the problem



LAURIE WELCH/TIMES-NEWS

**Marcie Williams, left, and Rebecca Benitez get cups of water Tuesday from water dispensers at Raft River Elementary School. Students and staff at both the elementary school and junior/senior high school in Malta have been intermittently instructed to avoid drinking the schools' well water for years over concerns about bacterial contamination in the water.**

fixed," said Rebecca Benitez, a Raft River eighth grader.

Some Malta residents question whether the district has done enough. Although students aren't drinking the well water now, they still wash their hands with it and school cooks use the water in the kitchen.

Lisa Bankhead, mother of a Raft River High student, said the whole water system should have been replaced years ago.

"It's making the kids sick and it's not good for them," she said. "If this was happening in Burley it would have been taken care of a long time ago."

Raft River Elementary head cook Millie Teeter said the health district told staff that it's OK to use well water in the kitchen because everything they cook comes to boiling temperature and dishes are sanitized. Egbert said boiling water kills any bacteria present, adding that the district also installed a chlorinator in the well system. As long as that is functioning, he said there should be no health risks for students.

Although the elementary school's 230 students wash their hands with well water, Boden said they also have hand sanitizer available in school restrooms, the lunchroom and the computer lab.

Boden said students are instructed to drink only bottled water at the school, and added that he's never seen a student drink water from one of the school's restroom sinks.

"I would hope that doesn't happen," he said.

Raft River High Principal

Ryan Bowman said visiting sports teams are offered water from a cooler and warned not to drink the school's well water.

"I'm confident that the measures the district is taking will solve the problem," Bowman said.

## No Easy Fix

While spot fixes to the Raft River system — a tank replacement here, a valve or meter there — have been completed in an attempt to remedy the problem, district Superintendent Gaylen Smyer says more action is needed.

"We have taken measures to address this along the way and people have been patient," Smyer said. "Now it's time to take some pretty drastic measures."

The first stage of a planned fix includes a \$60,000 project that would start with the replacement of the galvanized pipe that runs water from the pump house to a number of school facilities. Galvanized pipe, which can develop pin holes that allow contaminants in when it ages, will be replaced with plastic pipe. The schools' pump would also be replaced.

Smyer said a contractor is ready to start the job.

"Once that's done, we'll check it again to see if that was the source of the coliform contamination," Smyer said.

The hope is that since the bacteria aren't typically found in deep groundwater, the district can cut off the system from any contamination that seeps in near the

surface. If that doesn't work, the project will expand to install new lines inside the high school and change out fixtures. That could cost up to \$200,000.

Smyer said the district held off on investing in a new water system for the Malta schools while it pursued bond funding for larger improvements. But the March bond failure marked the third time since 2008 that district voters have shot down a funding proposal that would have brought changes to schools in Albion, Burley, Oakley, Declo and Malta.

Part of the problem, bond opponents have said, is that the more than \$40 million proposal tries to cater too much to each community. Oakley taxpayers questioned the need for a new high school gymnasium in Declo. Folks in Declo argued that they weren't willing to pay for new athletics facilities in Oakley. And voters in Burley — the county's population hub — wondered why they'd pay for improvements in Cassia County's outskirts while also footing the bill for two new schools in town.

But for Malta residents whose want for a new school stemmed at least partially from a need for clean drinking water, the bond issue's failure wasn't seen as a luxury-saving step.

"I feel like the county should have stepped up and built us a school," said Janis Warr, retired school teacher and Malta resident. "Out here, we have a real serious situation. People feel like their children have been sick from this."

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## Miner

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safety of our employees is a top priority and we'll look at ways to make sure that this doesn't occur again."

A phone call made by The Associated Press to a family member of Gray in northern Idaho was not answered Saturday evening.

Cementation U.S.A. Inc., a contractor that employed Gray, and Helca officials are investigating as is the federal Mine Safety and Health Administration.

Helca officials shut down the mine immediately after the accident and have not yet set a date for resuming operations.

This is the second fatal accident at the Lucky Friday in less than a year. In

April, Larry Marek, 53, of Kingston died in a cave-in.

In that death, the Mine Safety and Health Administration concluded that managers of the Lucky Friday engaged in "aggravated conduct constituting more than ordinary negligence" by directing workers to mine a support pillar.

Marek's death was the mine's first fatality since 1986.

Cementation specializes in mine development. Cementation spokesman Stan Devereux said Gray was not married, and that he grew up in Mullan in a family filled with miners.

Gray never regained consciousness after the accident that occurred about a mile underground, Devereux said without elaborating.

The company said Gray started mining in 2008 and joined Cementation in February.

"The whole Cementation family is grieving the terrible loss, and our immediate focus is in supporting Brandon's family with our assistance and prayers," Mike Nadon, Cementation president, said in a statement.

The No. 4 shaft where Gray was working is about 5,000 feet underground, and the company plans over the next several years to go 8,800 feet underground.

"We are deeply saddened by Brandon's passing," said Phil Baker, Helca's president and chief operating officer. "Everyone in Helca extends our sincere condolences to his family and loved ones."



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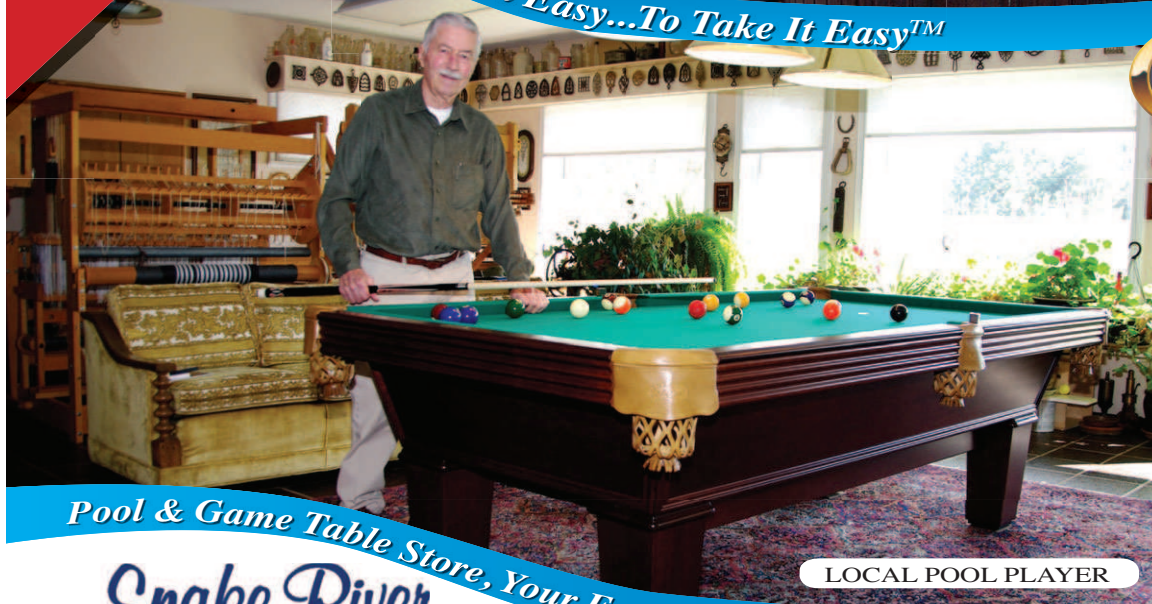


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# You Put the Pie Where?

Remember the turducken? Piecakes are the next big thing – literally – in holiday mega foods

by DANIELA GARCIA photos courtesy of THREE BROTHER'S BAKERY

After one Thanksgiving jam-packed with desserts, Charles Phoenix took it upon himself to create what has since been dubbed the turducken of holiday desserts.

"A year and a half ago, I was looking at the pile of trash filled with all these baked goods and thought, 'we need to be more green, we're wasting too many plates'," says Phoenix, an author and pop-culture humorist with a taste for all things Americana. "So I ended up baking our pies into the cakes and so that was how the cherpumpple was born."

What exactly is the cherpumpple, you ask? It's Phoenix's three-layer piecake, which is made of an apple pie baked into a spice cake, a pumpkin pie in a yellow cake and a cherry pie in a white cake and covered in whipped cream frosting.

The super-dessert is as gigantic as it sounds, and at his family's next Thanksgiving dinner, Phoenix presented it to his family. Their reaction? "They loved it, of course," he says. "At first, they were a little horrified, but they realized it was delicious, and



then it was completely gone."

Since then, Phoenix's triple-layer phenomenon has caught on, with fans sending in photos and videos of their own attempts at baking the cherpumpple. "The craziest one was a couple of pastry chefs who made versions that were absolutely beautiful, like picture perfect," Phoenix says. "My version is a little drunk, a little 'I Love Lucy'-style."

One professional bakery that's also

picked up on the piecake trend is Three Brothers Bakery in Houston. Janice Jucker, co-owner of the bakery with husband and fifth-generation baker Bobby Jucker, explains that they were approached by Greg Morago, an editor at the Houston Chronicle, to create Phoenix's dessert with a slight modification.

"We were named best mail-order pecan pie before Thanksgiving last year by Country Living [magazine]," Jucker explains. "Greg had heard about the cherpumpple and thought that pumpkin, apple and pecan would be the best combination instead and came to us. Things just kind of spiraled from there."

While Bobby sat down and worked out the baking logistics, Janice helped smooth out a new name for their piecake: the pumpecapple. Coming in at a foot tall and weighing anywhere upward of 25 pounds, the first version was cut into large slices with the use of a machete. The Juckers also used a cream cheese frosting, drizzled the piecake in caramel and trimmed it with pecans. The article about the creation of the pumpecapple ran a few days before Thanksgiving last

year.

"It was really just a joke to us," Jucker explains. "But we sold 15 in a day, and it was the day before Thanksgiving."

A few months later, Three Brothers Bakery were featured on The Food Network's "Outrageous Food" and have since added the pumpecapple to their list of regular baked goods. The Juckers are anticipating quite a few orders for the holidays. "For now, we're trying to figure out how to ship them out," Jucker says. "People from all over try to order it."

For those brave enough to try and make their own piecake at home, Phoenix suggests baking the pies in advance and letting them cool overnight. The tip also applies once the pies have been baked into the cakes. Also, Phoenix encourages bakers to use extra frosting, to help keep the layers from collapsing.

"It's a spectacle, a conversation piece," Phoenix explains. "When you serve this, be prepared for some people to turn up their noses. But trust me, they'll come to their senses within minutes and beg for a piece."

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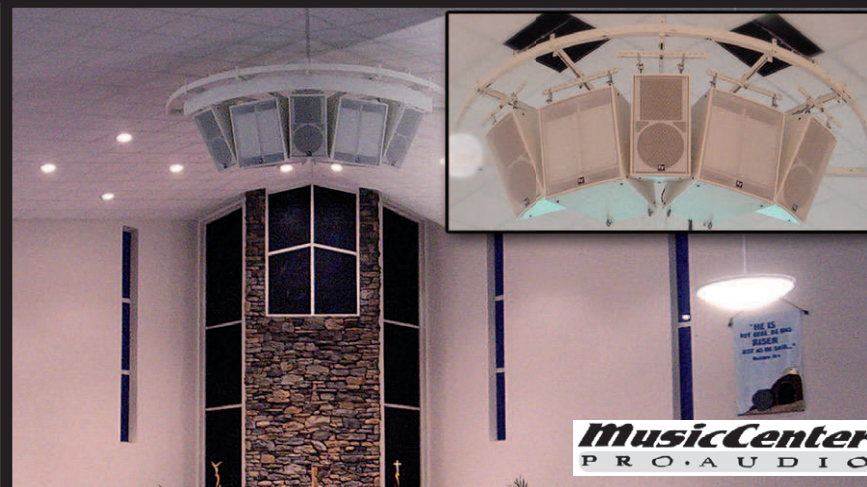
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## iPod nano

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## iPhone 4

The iPhone 4 is all about high-quality performance. The pixel-dense (640 x 960) 3.5-inch touch screen features a high-resolution Retina Display for a crystal-clear display, whether it's for viewing the 5-MP photos or 720p high-def video captured on the phone's camera or simply browsing the web. A three-axis gyroscope adds new dimension to gaming. Of course, there is access to more than 425,000 apps in the App



Apple aficionados always are hungry for an upgrade. Here's a rundown on all the latest 'Pads, 'Pods and 'Phones they're craving this season

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## iPod Classic

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## iPad 2

The second-generation iPad is everything great about the original – but even better. First, Apple says the 9.7-inch tablet is a 33 percent thinner and 15 percent lighter than the original iPad, but it still offers a super-long 10-hour battery life. An upgrade to a 1 GHz dual-core processor allows for faster browsing on the web and smoother multitasking on apps.

The biggest change, though, is the introduction of a front- and rear-facing cameras for FaceTime chatting and capturing stills and high-def video. New Smart Covers magnetically clip to the edge to serve as a screen protector and angled-viewing stand. The iPad 2 is available in black or white.

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## iPod Touch

The latest-gen iPod Touch brings along

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## Apple TV

If you know someone who's cut their cable TV in the past year, an Apple TV might be the gift for them. This half-pound, 4-inch square device lets them stream movies and shows from iTunes on their home computer, right to their HDTV. Netflix streaming, naturally, is built in, and the Apple TV also lets them rent movies directly from their TV. Sports fans with MLB.tv or NBA.com League Pass subscriptions also can stream games live on the device. And all can be controlled from iPad, iPod or iPhone via the Remote app.

APPLE TV – \$99

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Picture of happiness:  
forging holiday  
memories, in flannel



# Holiday PJs on Parade

So much for mamma in her kerchief and dad in his cap. Today, goofy holiday pajamas are what we love, and the whole family gets in on the act.

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Ever since she can remember, 26-year-old Lauren Cowart has received the same gift every year on Christmas Eve: a new pair of pajamas.

"Each year after our traditional Christmas Eve dinner, we go under

pajamas," Cowart says. "We put them on immediately, then eat our dessert and open some presents. Then on Christmas morning, we gather on the front stairs in our Christmas pajamas and make a video of us reading Santa's letter about how we've grown and changed that year as a family."

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Legions of families purchase matching pajamas as a special gift to every family member on or before Christmas. Some distribute them in early December so they can enjoy them all month long; others, like Cowart's family, open the expected package on Christmas Eve to wear for present-opening and picture-taking. Families often take an annual holiday group picture in matching PJs to capture the memory and share the fun with friends and extended family.

It's easy to understand the popularity of the fuzzy novelty items. Pajamas are relatively inexpensive, fit all shapes and sizes and can be easily constructed by hand. They're practical yet fun and cater to many personalities and tastes. Amber Lipson, co-founder of Footsteps Clothing, Morrisville, N.C., specializes in selling matching clothing to families. Holiday and Christmas PJ sets are the top seller.

"Everyone wants to bring their families close together during the holiday season," Lipson says. "I've talked to customers who tell me their grandparents bought matching PJs seventy-some years ago. It's an easy way for families to enjoy each other and be together."

Lipson's bestselling "A Very Merry Snowman" set consisting of red plaid flannel bottoms and a long-sleeved red shirt emblazoned with the cheerful face of a snowman in a stovepipe hat. The whole collection includes A Very Merry Me, A Very Merry Mommy, A Very Merry Daddy and a Very Merry Baby matching pajamas.

Many families call Footsteps each year to continue a tradition, but others call because they're ready to start one. The occasions vary. Some occasions are happy, like when one family bought 40 pairs to wear for a polar express ride. Others are difficult,

such as when one customer's family member was sick and the rest bought pajamas as a show of love and support. "We really want families to feel close and celebrate their unique relationships during the holidays," Lipson says. "We're glad matching pajamas helps them do so."

Looking to start a family tradition? Consider investing in a few pairs of pajamas to tighten family bonds and foster togetherness over the holiday season.

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# One Gourmet Meal, All the Fixin's, Straight From the Box

A stress-free holiday meal? Can it be true? Buying dinner in a box from the local supermarket could save money, deliver great taste and lessen the cooking load. Here's how to 'prepare' the meal of their dreams | by BEV BENNETT

As you plan your holiday gathering with family and friends, you're recalling the wonderful experiences of previous years. But cooking the festive meal, which some consider the highlight of the celebration, may not be your fondest memory. Maybe spending a day in the kitchen is as stressful for you as a root canal.

There is an alternative, and it's not making a dinner reservation for 24. Instead, you can order a precooked dinner from your local supermarket.

Imagine a roast turkey or baked ham. Mashed potatoes with gravy. Stuffing. Cranberry sauce. Sweet potatoes. Rolls. Dessert. All you have to do warm the courses before serving.

You'll have a traditional menu on the table in a fraction of the time it

takes to make it from scratch.

However, you may feel a twinge of guilt – aren't you supposed to work your culinary magic?

Maybe you're like Missy Chase Lapine, who's not comfortable unless she puts her own stamp on dinner.

That's why "it's fantastic to add your

personal touch," says Lapine, author of "The Sneaky Chef: Simple Strategies for Hiding Healthy Foods in Kids' Favorite Meals" (Running Press, 2007).

Decide what you want to leave to the supermarket's culinary team and what you'd prefer to either prepare or embellish.

For example, maybe you'd like to free yourself from baby-sitting a turkey for 6 hours. Many cooks consider the main protein intimidating and time-consuming, says Lapine. Let a supermarket assume the turkey-roasting task while you exercise your ingenuity with the side dishes.

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Image courtesy National Turkey Federation

## MAKE WAY FOR TURKEY

The day before your festive meal your refrigerator is about to get very full. Make sure you have room for the food.

If the dishes you bring home are still hot from the supermarket, divide the items into smaller amounts and pack in separate covered containers for faster chilling in the refrigerator. If the food was cooked and chilled at the store, place it in covered containers and refrigerate.

Your supermarket may offer the option of a cooked, stuffed turkey. If that's your choice you should buy it hot to eat immediately, according to the food safety experts at the U.S. Department of Agriculture. Otherwise, purchase a

cooked, unstuffed bird to reduce the risk food-borne illness.

To reheat a turkey, preheat the oven to 325 F. Place the bird in a shallow roasting pan. Add a small amount of chicken broth to keep the meat moist and lightly cover the bird with heavy-duty aluminum foil to prevent it from drying.

Insert a meat thermometer into the thigh, not touching bone. When heated through the bird's internal temperature should reach 165 F.

To reheat a spiral-sliced baked ham, preheat the oven to 325 F. Place the meat in a shallow roasting pan, cover with heavy-duty aluminum foil and heat for about 10 minutes per pound of ham. A meat thermometer should read 165 F.

Heat vegetables and stuffing in covered containers either in a microwave or a conventional oven, using appropriate

cookware. Soup and gravy can be heated in a microwave oven or on top of the stove over low heat.

### RESOURCES:

For more information on heating and storing cooked turkey and stuffing and ham, visit the following web sites:

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[www.fsis.usda.gov/factsheets/ham/index.asp](http://www.fsis.usda.gov/factsheets/ham/index.asp)



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“For some people it’s all about the bird. I think people need to be mindful of the things that come along the sides of the plate,” says Julie Jones, Ph.D., professor emeritus of foods and nutrition at St. Catherine University in St. Paul, Minn.

If you’re only seeing white – stuffing, mashed potatoes, rolls – ask for colorful enhancements or add your own.

Add the supermarket’s green beans, cranberry sauce, sweet potatoes and carrots to the order. Switch from white to whole-wheat rolls if you have the choice.

Always add your own fresh salad. It’s easy to do and will be a welcome addition for those who don’t want to fill up on starches.

“Buy a bag salad; add feta cheese, spinach and walnuts for crunch,” says Dee Sandquist, a registered dietitian spokeswoman for the American Dietetic Association. Pick up raw prepared vegetables in bags; add a yogurt

dip and you’re adding nutritional value to the meal, she adds.

Although packaged meals usually include a dessert classic, such as pumpkin pie or fruit cobbler, your guests will appreciate a fresh and light alternative. Offer sliced pears, drizzled with honey and walnuts, or vanilla ice cream or frozen yogurt with thawed frozen blueberries.

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## TURKEY, WITH A TWIST

If the meal-in-a-box approach is too outside-the-box for the holiday main course, perhaps a new-look turkey is in order. Preparing a fancy turkey and buying pre-made side dishes will still save time, but also keep it very personal. Try this recipe for Orange and Maple Roasted Turkey, from the National Turkey Federation, which adds the traditional citrus and maple flavors of winter to the bird. – Matthew M. F. Miller

### ORANGE AND MAPLE ROASTED TURKEY

Recipe Created By: Marc Van Steyn, executive chef, Rigsby’s Cuisine Volatile, Columbus, Ohio

#### Brine

1/2 cup sugar	1 medium orange, peeled and juiced
1/4 cup salt	1 gallon cold water
10 black peppercorns, whole	1 12-pound whole turkey, fresh or thawed

1.

Combine all ingredients, except turkey, in large pot and simmer over low heat for 1-1/2 hours.

2. Chill brine in ice bath until cold.
3. Place whole turkey into foodservice-safe grade container.
4. Pour chilled brine over top to submerge. Close bag and cover.
5. Marinate for 24 hours in the refrigerator.
6. Remove turkey from brine, drain excess liquid.

#### Turkey Prep

2 bay leaves	2 medium carrots, peeled, cut into 2-inch pieces
2 sprigs fresh rosemary	2 medium white onions, peeled, cut into 2-inch pieces
4 sprigs fresh thyme	
2 celery ribs, peeled, cut into 2-inch pieces	

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1. Place herbs and vegetables in body cavity and secure.

#### Cooking Procedure

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| 1 pound unsalted butter, softened | 1/2 cup maple syrup                  |
| 2 medium oranges, juiced          | 1 tablespoon fresh rosemary, chopped |
| 1-1/2 teaspoons salt              | 1/2 tablespoon fresh thyme, chopped  |
| 1/4 teaspoon pepper               | 2 cloves garlic, finely chopped      |

1. Combine butter, orange juice, salt, pepper, maple syrup, rosemary, thyme and garlic in a large bowl.
2. With fingers, slowly massage the compound butter into the skin of the turkey until well absorbed.
3. Fold wings under the back of the turkey and return legs to the tucked position. Turkey may be cooked in a 325 F oven or on a rotisserie.
4. If roasting in a thermal oven, cook on a rack for approximately 3 hours or until the internal temperature of the turkey reaches 170 F in the breast and 180 F in the thigh.
5. If cooking by the rotisserie method, thread turkey evenly on the rotisserie-spit fork using a counterweight to achieve an even balance. Place a drip pan in the center of the grill beneath the area where the turkey juices will drip. Cook the turkey over indirect medium heat in a covered rotisserie.
6. If cooking with charcoal, replenish briquettes with about 15 briquettes every hour, as needed, to maintain medium heat. Cook until the internal temperature of the turkey reaches 170 F in the breast and 180 F in the thigh (about 3 hours).
7. Allow turkey to rest for about 15 minutes. Remove vegetables and herbs from the cavity prior to carving. Place slices on a platter and garnish with oranges.

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## DRESSING UP THE MENU

Think of a supermarket's holiday meal as the plain white T-shirt.

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Accessories include nuts, herbs, olive oil, cheese, wine and/or spirits, honey and fruit.

Start with appetizers, the course that sets the tone.

Your simple but elegant opening gambit is fresh figs, stuffed with a little cheese, maybe Gorgonzola or Camembert, and wrapped in sliced prosciutto.

You can heat it just until the cheese melts, says Julie Jones, Ph.D., who works with the California Fig Advisory Board.

Dinner rolls don't have to be an afterthought, not if you follow a tip from Missy Chase Lapine, author of the upcoming book, "The Speedy Sneaky Chef." "I always warm them, no matter what. It makes them taste better," says Lapine. She recommends heating rolls in a conventional oven, not a microwave.

For another layer of flavor, brush the rolls with olive oil, sprinkle with a little

coarse salt and chopped rosemary, before putting them in the oven.

"It gives [the roll] a wonderful home-made taste," adds Lapine.

Switch to an elegant fig and Port reduction in place of the gravy, suggests Jones.

If you prefer an easy approach using the gravy that comes with the prepared meal, you can enliven the flavor. Pour the gravy into a small saucepan. Add a generous pinch of minced fresh sage and a splash of dry vermouth. Simmer for 5 minutes, or until your company crowds the kitchen.

We all know nuts are delicious, but they're even better after toasting.

"If you're serving nuts of any kind, toast them in a dry skillet for two to three minutes, adding a little rosemary," says Lapine, who recommends herb-toasted nuts as an appetizer.

Although you may not expect guests to clamor for vegetables, you can change that.

Stir minced chives into the mashed potatoes; drizzle a little balsamic vinegar over baked squash, sprinkle toasted nuts on green beans or broccoli and sprinkle Parmesan cheese on baked potato wedges.



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Heavy metal:  
Wish List bronze and white stone  
necklace by C.C. Skye

By NOLA SARKISIAN-MILLER  
*CTW Features*

Gold may be hovering at stratospheric levels and the economy is still seesawing, but that's not stopping well-heeled shoppers from indulging their jewelry habits. Retailers and designers say they've noticed an uptick in interest and sales for baubles, which bodes well for the holiday season.

"There's a demand for statement pieces, whether it's an oversized cocktail ring or a dramatic cuff bracelet," says Los Angeles jewelry designer, C.C. Skye, whose showy accessories have curried favor with bold-faced names like Halle Berry, Gwen Stefani and Kristin Cavallari. "They feel that we've been through the recession. We've lived it. We don't want to live that lifestyle anymore. There's still room for more celebration."

Customers may also justify the expense

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since jewelry can be reworked with a variety of wardrobe pieces, say retailers.

"People may not be in the mood to buy shoes or clothes, but they know a fun piece of jewelry can make an outfit pop and can be worn again and again," says Melissa Akkaway, owner of Beckley Boutique, which has locations in Los Angeles and Las Vegas.

When it comes to fashion jewelry, which usually tops out at \$1,000, clean and spare necklaces sporting initials and quirky pendants are a key trend for the holidays. Alex Woo's dainty charms, such as initials and zodiac signs, can sell for \$148 in sterling silver, \$548 in 14 karat gold and \$798 with pavé diamonds. A new holiday addition to Beckley is Maya Brenner's pendants in the shape of states (seen on the likes of Katy Perry, Eva Longoria and Jessica

Simpson) in gold and silver, with easy-on-the-wallet prices of \$130 to \$300. Those rimmed with diamonds will fetch \$1,040.

Another approachable line is New York-based Erica Weiner Jewelry, whose vintage-inspired creations conjure up whimsy and nostalgia with prices averaging under \$300. At the company's store in New York City, manager Emily Ruane steers clients away from solitaire diamonds unless the present is supposed to be the real deal – a proposal or anniversary gift.

"It's just not appropriate to give big diamonds unless you're engaged or married," Ruane says.

Instead, for the holidays, she suggests the double letterpress necklace, which actually incorporates old moveable type as the pendants and is personalized

Stackable pearl wrap bracelets by Jordan Alexander, a favorite of first lady Michelle Obama's



with initials, or the Civil War-era tintage necklaces, which feature photographs printed on iron sheets hanging from brass chains. Men may appreciate the penknife necklace on a brass chain or a cast fossil nautilus necklace, items that aren't highly embellished or too overwrought.

Los Angeles-based Lord Griffon, known for its chunky oxidized silver jewelry and a fan base that includes Randy Jackson from "American Idol," has also noticed a shift in male tastes to less in-your-face skull ware. What's more in demand these days are sleeker looks,

such as ID bracelets and fleur-de-lis necklaces, says Suzie Lederer, founder and creative director of Lord Griffon.

"More than something really hard-edged, they want something they can wear not when they're just going to the club or riding motorcycles on weekends," Lederer says.

C.C. Skye also projects a heavy metal holiday of sorts, glittering with multiple diamonds, such as the Wish List Necklace, comprising of heavy bronze chains woven with white stones. Her retailers are also beginning to stock the pavé punk princess bracelet in gun metal for

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the holidays. Skye says it caters to that "luxe, funk princess" trend.

"It's got an edge with elegance," she says. "There's irony and balance. Women of all ages are wearing pavé, not just younger girls."

Fine jewelry is also in demand for those aspirational buyers, according to



Janet Goldman, founder and chief executive officer of Fragments showroom in New York, which represents about 35 fashion and fine jewelry collections. Her suggestions for holiday gifts include layered looks, such as necklaces

that are "feminine, soft and drapery," and bracelets that combine textures such as wooden beads paired with a diamond bangle. Long, dramatic earrings are in for those seeking gifts infused with glam and sparkle. The Miguel Ases line features dangling earrings studded with tiny beads that are easy to wear with tank tops or little black dresses and fit the under-\$500 budget.

Customers who want to splurge may opt for the designs by Phillips Frankel, including the round pendants covered in pavé diamonds at \$1,500 or Moritz Glik's oxidized silver and white gold chains with little box pendants enclosed with rubies, diamonds and sapphires priced around \$10,000.

"[Jewelry] purchases over \$5,000 are what's trending," Goldman says. "It's about finding something that will make us buy, something that I can't live without."

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## Fashion Pointers

Here's a look at what may please gift recipients this holiday season

**Statement pieces** - Look for attention getting cocktail rings, dramatic cuff bracelets or long beaded earrings to help your loved one strut her stuff. "It's all about wanting that great, luxurious accessory," says Janet Goldman, founder and creative director of Fragments.

**Metallics** - Metals will shine this holiday season. Rose gold's popularity continues along with edgier styles crafted in gun-metal, oxidized silver, bronze and mixed metallics.

**Pavè diamonds** - These little gems that dot pendants, bracelets and more are catering to the luxe trend and elevating fashion jewelry to a new level.

**Whimsical pendants** - Fun never goes out of style, and there's lots to choose from this season, from initials, to vintage

charms or to costume sparklers. The startling whimsy of the French line N2, with characters from fairy tales and children's stories, are youthful and distinctive (from \$25, jewelry and gift stores). There's no need to settle on size or fit, making them perfect, no-fuss gifts. "Men feel good buying things that don't pose issues," Goldman says.



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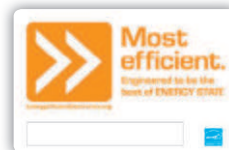


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crackers]," says Kara Nielsen, trendologist at the Center for Culinary Development in San Francisco.

This generation of rustic crackers features aromatic herbs, whole grains, crunchy nuts and seeds, and olive oil.

The ingredients speak to the fresh and healthy way you want to eat, according to Gail Cunningham, corporate executive chef at The Food Channel, a food marketing and trend company based in Springfield, Mo.

You can buy these rough-hewn crackers in the best gourmet stores –

or you can let loose your creativity and make your own for a holiday gathering. Get ready for compliments and maybe some leftover cheese as guests clamor for unadorned crackers.

Here are some tips for starting:

### EXPERIMENT WITH INGREDIENTS

Replace pistachio nuts with pumpkin seeds, or use dried rosemary instead of cumin.

### PROPORTION APPROPRIATELY

Baking times depend on the thickness of the dough, not the surface area of the cracker. Cut the cracker dough into small squares for use with

cheese or into large thin sheets for prosciutto.

### DO A TRIAL RUN

Bake a small batch as directed, and cool. If the cracker bends instead of snapping in half, roll the next batch thinner.

### USE TWO BAKING SHEETS

Arrange dough on one sheet while the other is in the oven.

### PREP IN ADVANCE

Make the crackers a day or two in advance if you prefer, but store in an airtight container to remain crisp.

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## PISTACHIO AND SESAME CRACKERS

1 1/4 cups all-purpose flour, plus extra for rolling dough  
1 1/4 cups whole-wheat flour  
3 tablespoons sugar  
3/4 teaspoon salt  
1/4 teaspoon chipotle chile powder  
1/2 teaspoon ground cumin  
1/4 teaspoon smoked paprika  
1/3 cup olive oil (regular – not extra-virgin)

1 cup warm water  
1/4 cup black sesame seeds (see note)  
1 cup chopped, roasted, salted pistachio nuts (about 1 1/3 cups whole)  
Coarse sea salt  
Brie, red grapes and/or other fruit.

1. In an electric-mixer bowl stir together 1 1/4 cups all-purpose flour, whole-wheat flour, sugar, salt, chile powder, cumin and paprika. Add oil and water and beat at medium speed for 30 seconds or until a soft dough comes together. Beat in sesame seeds and pistachio nuts. Remove dough from mixer and separate into four balls; let rest 30 minutes.

2. Lightly flour a work surface. Roll out one dough portion at a time to a large sheet less than 1/8-inch thick. Lightly sprinkle with sea salt. Cut into 16 to 18 crackers or shapes you prefer. Gently lift onto baking sheet lined with parchment paper. Bake in preheated 400 F oven for 11 to 15 minutes. Start checking after 11 minutes; crackers should be golden brown on the edges and lightly browned in the center. Remove. Cool on wire rack. Makes about six dozen crackers. *Note: Black sesame seeds are available in Asian sections of supermarkets.*

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# Espresso Yourself, Cookie Style

Don't let kids have all the sweet fun. Two classic Italian holiday flavors – lemon and espresso – transform the after-dinner treat into a grown-up classic | words and photos by BETH KUJAWSKI

Beth Kujawski  
is the creator of  
The Cookie  
Queen's  
English blog.

Every family has holiday favorites, sweets spelled out on well-worn recipe cards passed down from one generation to the next. Sometimes, though, it's nice to try something new, to find a new family favorite to share. After all, traditions have to start somewhere. For a bit of departure from the usual spate of kid-friendly favorites, these recipes reinterpret the classic pairing of espresso and lemon into treats sure to please the grown ups. In each recipe, granulated sugar adds a finishing touch of sweetness and holiday sparkle.



## DARK CHOCOLATE BISCOTTI

Adapted from "Baking" by Dorie Greenspan (Houghton Mifflin, 2006)

2 cups all-purpose flour	3/4 stick (6 tablespoons) unsalted butter, at room temperature
1/2 cup unsweetened dark cocoa powder	1 cup sugar
2 tablespoons instant espresso powder	2 large eggs, lightly beaten
3/4 teaspoon baking soda	1 teaspoon pure vanilla extract
1/2 teaspoon baking powder	1/2 cup chopped dark chocolate-covered espresso beans
1 teaspoon salt	

Center a rack in the oven and preheat the oven to 350 F. Line a baking sheet with parchment paper or a silicone mat. Sift together the flour, cocoa, espresso powder baking soda, baking powder and salt.

Working with a stand mixer, prefer-

ably fitted with a paddle attachment, beat the butter and sugar together on medium speed until pale, about 2 minutes; the mixture may be crumbly. Scrape down the sides of the bowl, add the eggs and vanilla and beat for another 2 minutes; don't worry if the mixture looks curdled.

Reduce the mixer speed to low and mix in the dry ingredients in three additions, mixing only until a dough forms. Scrape down the sides of the bowl. Mix in the chopped espresso beans, then turn the dough out onto a work surface and knead in any dry ingredients that may have escaped mixing.

Divide the dough in half. Working with one half at a time, roll the dough into 12-inch-long logs. Flatten both logs with the palm of your hand, so that they are 1/2 to 1 inch high, about

2 inches across and sort of rectangular, then carefully lift the logs onto the baking sheet. Sprinkle each log with a little sugar.

Bake the logs for about 25 minutes, or until they are just slightly firm. The logs will spread and crack – and that's fine. Remove the baking sheet from the oven, put it on a cooling rack and cool the logs for about 20 minutes. (Leave the oven on.)

Work with one log at a time. Using a long serrated knife, cut each log into slices between 1/2 and 3/4 inch thick. Stand the slices up on the baking sheet and bake the cookies again, this time for just 10 minutes.

Transfer biscotti to a rack to cool.

Yield: About 40 cookies

## LEMONY SEMOLINA COOKIES

Adapted from "Dolce Italiano" by Gina DePalma (W.W. Norton & Co., Inc., 2007)

In a medium bowl, whisk together

2 cups unbleached all-purpose flour	2/3 cup semolina
1 teaspoon baking powder	1 cup granulated sugar, plus more for rolling
1/2 teaspoon baking soda	1 large egg
1/2 teaspoon kosher salt	1 large egg yolk
1/2 cup (1 stick/4 ounces) unsalted butter, softened	Freshly grated zest and squeezed juice of 1 lemon
2 tablespoons extra-virgin olive oil	2 tablespoons limoncello
	1/2 teaspoon pure vanilla extract

the all-purpose flour, semolina, baking powder, baking soda and salt, and set aside.

Using an electric mixer fitted with the paddle attachment, cream together butter, olive oil and 1 cup sugar on medium speed until very light and fluffy. Beat in the egg and egg yolk, followed by the lemon zest and juice, limoncello and vanilla extract,



scraping down the sides of the bowl after each addition. On low speed, beat the dry ingredients into the wet ingredients to make a soft dough. Remove the dough from the bowl, flatten it into a disk, wrap it in plastic and chill until it is firm enough to roll, about 1 hour.

Preheat the oven to 325 F. Lightly grease two baking sheets with non-stick cooking spray or butter.

Place the additional granulated sugar in a small bowl. With lightly floured fingers, break off teaspoonfuls of dough and roll them into 1-inch balls. Roll each ball in the granulated sugar to coat evenly. Place the cookies on the baking sheets, evenly spacing them 1 inch apart.

Bake the cookies until they have collapsed and are crinkled and pale golden brown, 14 to 18 minutes, rotating the sheets 180 degrees halfway through the baking to ensure even browning. Allow the cookies to cool for 1 or 2 minutes on the baking sheets, then use a spatula to transfer them gently onto wire racks to cool completely.

Store in an airtight container, layered with parchment paper, in a cool, dry place for up to 4 days.

Yield: About 5 dozen

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The season's hottest cameras for aspiring shutterbugs

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Pixel Perfect: The 18-MP Canon EOS T3i

user on-screen tutorials, suggesting camera settings to help achieve the desired results. If they want to simply “set and forget” the camera, they can choose the Scene Auto Selector mode and the Nikon D3100 (\$699) will automatically pick a scene mode optimized for the shooting environment. They’ll be able to frame shots through the viewfinder or 3-inch LCD screen.

It’s possible to capture high definition (1920 x 1080) video on the D3100 with full-time autofocus available while you shoot (many d-SLRs disengage autofocus during movie filming, which often results in a blurred mess). The D3100 includes an 18-55mm lens with Nikon’s Vibration Reduction technology to reduce image blur. The D3100 offers a 14-megapixel sensor and a burst mode of up to 3 frames per second to capture fast-moving action.

### Canon EOS T3i

For those with a little more to spend, Canon’s EOS T3i (\$899) packs an 18-megapixel CMOS image sensor and can fire off a burst of 3.7fps for up to 34 photos. It also can record high-definition movies. Its high-resolution 3-inch LCD flips out from the camera’s body so photogs can frame hard-



Pint-sized pro: The Olympus Pen Mini offers interchangeable lenses in a point-and-shoot body.

to-reach shots. The T3i has most of the manual controls you’d expect in a digital SLR (shutter, aperture, white balance, etc.) with a “Scene Intelligent Auto” mode that analyzes the scene in front of you and selects the optimal settings – just point and shoot. The T3i camera kit includes an 18-55mm image stabilized lens and the camera is compatible with Canon’s full line of EF and EF-S lenses.

### Olympus Pen Mini E-PM1

The Olympus Pen series of cameras offer the interchangeable lenses of a digital SLR camera in a body that’s closer in size to a point-and-shoot. The Pen Mini E-PM1 (\$499) features a 12-megapixel image sensor and 1080p

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### Sony NEX-3

Sony's NEX-3 offers a similar design to the Pen – a slim body that's still capable of swapping lenses. The NEX-3 delivers slightly lower resolution HD video recording (720p) but packs a few features not found on the Pen, such as

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— Lindsey Romain

**1** **"Moon Over Manifest"** by Clare Vanderpool (Delacorte Press, \$16.99) Newbery Medal

**2** **"Turtle In Paradise"** by Jennifer L. Holm (Random House, \$16.99) Newbery Honor

**3** **"Heart of a Samurai"** by Margi Preus (Amulet Books, \$15.95) Newbery Honor

**4** **"Dark Emperor and Other Poems of the Night"** by Joyce Sidman,

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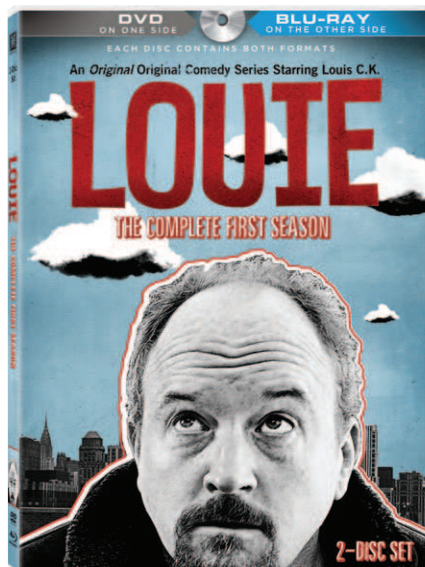
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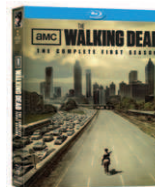
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Karen Bussen, entertaining expert and author of 'Simply Stunning Parties at Home' offers tips to be the 'hostess with the mostest' under any circumstances | by MATTHEW M. F. MILLER

Karen Bussen fell in love with parties at a very young age.

"I have always loved celebrating," says Bussen, author of "Simply Stunning Parties at Home" (Stuart, Tabori and Chang, 2009). "I think I naturally have a very festive personality, and I love to put people in a good mood. I am always looking for a reason to have fun."

As a child, Karen was inspired by her mother's love of décor, art and painting. After she left her childhood home in Ohio to become a magician's assistant on a cruise ship, the idea of entertaining and decorating as a career locked into place.

"We traveled all over the world, floating between continents, and I was overwhelmed by all the wonderful foods and colors and spices and environments I experienced. I wanted to bring that home with me."

Today, Bussen makes her home in New York, where she fine-tuned her knowledge of food, wine and high-end hospitality working for Danny

Meyer, a notable restaurateur, as well as styling flowers and creating party décor for celebrity chef Rocco DiSpirito. In 2000, she opened her events company and has spent the last 11 years looking at life as one big party – especially the holiday season.

"At the holidays, I like to choose a unique color palette every year and let that weave through the whole sea-

son, from gift wrap to my tree decor, to my table settings," Bussen says. "On a daily basis, I see inspiration all around me, in nature, in a beautiful design, in the fascinating people I meet, and I am constantly bowled over by how much inspiration there is around us everywhere."

Here, Bussen shares her advice on how to be a tip-top hostess, even when

guests show up at the last minute.

**Why is the role of host/hostess so daunting for people? How do you take the pain and fear out of it?**

I think it's two things. The first is expectations. Home hosts don't want to disappoint – they want their gatherings to be seen as stylish and sumptuous. The second is time. Especially



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around the holidays, folks a around the holidays, folks are busier than ever, so just pulling together any kind of party on top of everything else can seem overwhelming. Then add to that fact that a gracious hostess may also feel she has to ramp up all the details to be holiday-worthy. My solution is to take just a little time before it gets too crazy to get your party pantry together, and then to limit your offerings to just a few great things your guests will love, instead of making yourself crazy with endless options.

#### **What is the key to making your guests feel comfortable?**

From a practical standpoint, space planning is important – if you'll have a big group, make sure to clear clutter

and place food and drinks in several spots so that as they mingle, guests will find a nibble and sip here and there. Also, I like to offer folks something as soon as they walk in the door. That can be as easy as placing a bottle of Champagne (or a pitcher of your signature cocktail) and some glasses on a foyer table. But more than anything, I think the host creates the vibe at any party. If the host is frazzled, the guests pick up on that energy. If he's having a great time, so is everyone else.

#### **What is the first thing a host or hostess should do when they find out company is coming at the last minute?**

Don't panic! Instead of running out to the store immediately, take 10

minutes and make a plan. If you've stocked your holiday party pantry, you should have at least some of the core elements you need. Pick three food items you want to serve (and don't be afraid of presenting high-quality prepared foods from a good grocer) and check your quantities of drinks on hand. Make a list of remaining items you need, and stop off for the fresh ingredients like produce and cheese, that aren't already in your party pantry.

#### **What are the little details that can make a last-minute celebration feel like a well-planned event?**

It's in the simple, thoughtful details. A warm, relaxed greeting, appealing presentations of food and drinks, even the little touches that

make a dinner table so inviting. That doesn't mean you have to invest in fine crystal – I like to use things I find around my house. An example: I'll turn a mushroom upside down, cut a slit in the stem, and use it as a place card at my holiday table. This costs pennies, but all my friends think I'm a genius. Another detail that really makes a party – music. Music creates mood. And with all the online sources for creating great playlists, there's no reason not to start making your holiday soundtrack right now. Then, when guests are on their way, just pour yourself a glass of Champagne and press "Play."

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## STUFFED WITH THE BASICS

When keeping a celebration low-key, it's important to stick to the basics, but adding your own unique twist. Here are 3 of Bussen's favorite recipes for easy holiday side dishes

### **CLASSIC HERB STUFFING**

Serves 8

1. Preheat the oven to 350 F. In a deep saucepan, add 2 tablespoons of the butter. Sweat the onion and celery until translucent. Add the bread cubes, raisins, herbs and remaining butter, and stir to coat. Season with salt and pepper. Stir the liquids in gradually.
2. Transfer the stuffing to an oven dish and bake, covered, for 30 minutes. Remove cover and bake 5 to 10 minutes longer to create a crisper top.

### **CRANBERRY CLEMENTINE SAUCE**

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1. In a saucepan, bring ½ cup water, the clementine juice and the sugar to a boil, stirring to dissolve the sugar. Add the cranberries and return to a boil. Reduce the heat and simmer for 10 minutes, or until the cranberries burst.
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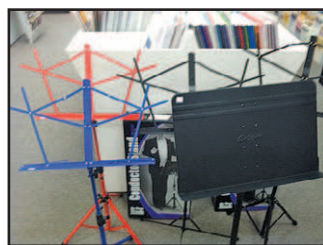


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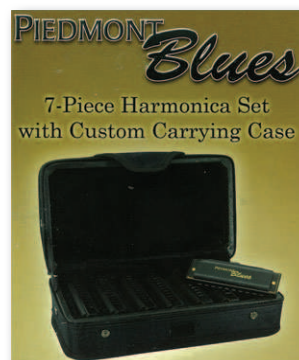


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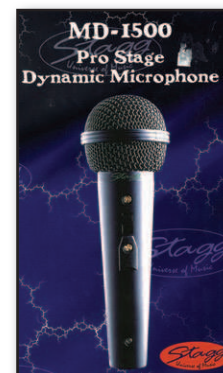


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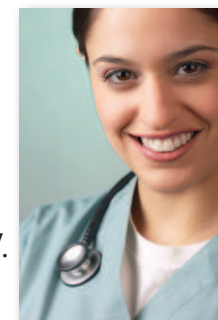
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# Cool Dish, No Ice Cream Maker Required

How to make peppermint ice cream using only 3 ingredients – and no machinery

by MATTHEW M. F. MILLER

## EASY PEPPERMINT ICE CREAM

Recipe created by Matthew M. F. Miller Serves 12

1. Unwrap candy canes and place in a freezer bag. Seal bag and use a rolling pin to beat candy canes into tiny pieces. Pour candy cane bits into the bottom of an eight-quart freezer-safe container.
2. Pour whipping cream and half and half on top of candy cane bits. Stir until well mixed. Cover and refrigerate for 12 hours, stirring occasionally.
3. Remove from fridge and stir until blended. Pour mixture into the bowl of an electric mixer. Whip until soft peaks begin to form.
4. Place cream back into freezer safe container and freeze until setup, about 8 to 12 hours.



Growing up in the Midwest, there wasn't a holiday that didn't get a little merrier courtesy of a scoop of home-made ice cream. Aside from the Cool Whip-topped pumpkin variety, there wasn't a pie baked in the twelve-month cycle that didn't receive the hand-cranked a la mode treatment.

Christmas was no exception. Sure, 12 inches of snow blanketing the Iowa cornfields was enough to freeze your outsides, but has your tongue ever really been too cold for ice cream? Really? On top of pecan pie? Nonsense.

Now that I have my own children, I try not to make ice cream the household staple it was in my youth. Since it's not a regular occurrence (I prefer to see my feet when I look down) there's really no way to justify buying and storing an ice cream maker to pro-

duce two to three batches a year. At least that's what my wife tells me.

Thus came my inspiration for Easy Peppermint Ice Cream, a three-ingredient recipe for the creamiest, fluffiest, richest and – frankly – cheapest ice cream around. If peppermint isn't your flavor, feel free to use any hard sugar candy in its place.

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## 6 Stress-Free Tips For Holiday Entertaining

Party planning expert, Karen Bussen, offers these easy tips to put any hostess in the driver's seat of her holiday celebration.

### 1 Stock a 'Holiday Party Pantry'

Find a place in your home (a cupboard, closet, or a few shelves) where you can collect basic elements to help you pull together a great celebration, even at the last minute. Think platters and large serving bowls for a start, and buy them on sale before the season for



the best prices. Then add colorful table accents in your favorite holiday palette – place mats, a table runner, and napkins, along with seasonal touches like a box or two of ornaments you can use as napkin rings or to create a quick centerpiece. I recommend keeping non-perishable food items on hand too, like spiced nuts, olives, dips, flatbreads and crackers, holiday cookies, even a great pancake mix or Panettone (fluffy Italian holiday fruitcake, available at good grocery stores) for an impromptu holiday brunch.

### 2 Buy Wines In Bulk

Instead of running out at the last minute for Champagne and wine, stock up early. Visit a local wine shop or look online for deals. Most retailers will offer a discount on a case of wine (sometimes even a mixed case) so consider buying in bulk at the beginning of the season and you'll be ready to toast on a moment's notice. If you're looking for a bargain, choose Prosecco or Cava over fancier Champagnes – they are party-friendly wines at a great price point.

### 3 Raise the Bar

I also recommend keeping other bar basics on hand – one good vodka and a single malt scotch, plus a seasonal microbrew, and maybe a fun mixer or two (think Pomegranate martinis) are all you need to host a great holiday get-together.

### 4 Limit Menu and Drink Offerings

You don't have to serve eight hors d'oeuvres and a four-course meal. Focus on quality ingredients and a few delicious dishes. For drinks, serve a white and a red, a sparkling wine, and a

signature cocktail that matches your color scheme. I suggest mixing up two pitchers of your chosen libation, setting one out in a pretty pitcher, then keeping the other in the refrigerator for instant replenishment. This way, you're not playing bartender during the party.

### 5 Clear the Clutter

Look at your space with an eye for mingling and flow. Reposition any chairs or tables that might create a bottleneck during the gathering. Get delicate objects out of the way before your guests arrive. And place food and drinks in several places to avoid crowding.

### 6 Glow For It

'Tis the season of light, and candles add instant magic to any holiday party – no flowers required! I recommend keeping unscented white votives and pillars on hand as they coordinate with any kind of décor and make a room feel warm and welcoming. Also, pick up a few holiday-scented candles – pine or pumpkin, for example, to use as accents in a foyer or powder room.

BioShock Infinite

# Game On

What are the top games of 2011? Take a look at this list – the award-winners from the 2011 E3 Game Critics Awards

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**BEST ACTION-ADVENTURE GAME**

## BioShock Infinite

(Irrational Games/2K Games for PC, PS3, Xbox 360)

**BEST CONSOLE GAME**  
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## The Elder Scrolls V: Skyrim

(Bethesda Game Studios/Bethesda for PS3, Xbox 360)

**BEST HANDHELD GAME**

## Sound Shapes

(Queasy Games/SCEA for PSVita)

**BEST HARDWARE**

## PlayStation Vita

(Sony Computer Entertainment)



**BEST DOWNLOADABLE GAME**

## Bastion

(Supergiant Games/WB Games for PC, Xbox 360)

**BEST ACTION GAME**  
**BEST ONLINE MULTIPLAYER**

## Battlefield 3

(DICE/EA Games for PC)

**BEST FIGHTING GAME**

## Street Fighter X Tekken

(Capcom/Capcom for PS3, Xbox 360, PSVita)

**BEST RACING GAME**

## Forza 4

Turn 10 Studios/Microsoft Studios for Xbox 360)

**BEST SPORTS GAME**

## FIFA Soccer 12

(EA Canada/EA Sports for PC, PS3, Xbox 360)

**BEST STRATEGY GAME**

## From Dust

(Ubisoft Montpellier/Ubisoft for PC, PS3, Xbox 360)

**BEST SOCIAL/CASUAL GAME**

## Sound Shapes

(Queasy Games/SCEA for PSVita)

**BEST MOTION SIMULATION GAME**

## The Legend of Zelda: Skyward Sword

(Nintendo EAD/Nintendo for Wii)

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# Oh, Behave!

How to be a courteous, responsible and interesting guest at this year's holiday party | by LISA IANNUCCI

Put down the smartphone, close the laptop and bid adieu to that stream of Facebook updates for a few hours. When heading out to a holiday party, it's time to focus on being a good guest – face-to-face.

First, being a great guest and having a wonderful party experience starts well before the day of the celebration. “No matter how you were invited, whether by regular invitation or by email, RSVP to it even if it isn't requested,” says Daniel Post Senning, of the Emily Post Institute, great-great-great grandson of Emily Post and co-author of the upcoming 18th edition of “Emily Post's Etiquette” (William Morrow, 2011). “Even if you were invited to a party or to see a holiday movie with friends through an event invitation on Facebook, make sure they know you plan on attending.”

Once a commitment to attend has been made, Post says to make sure to arrive on time. “It's a small, but important courtesy,” he says.



Also, never arrive at an event empty-handed.

“Guests should always arrive with a gift for their host, even something small like a bag of coffee, and then send a thank you note after the fact,” says Leah Ingram, author of “The Everything Etiquette Book” (Adams, 2005). “You can send a thank-you gift if you'd like, too.”

Now that you've arrived, it's time to mingle. If you're a bundle of nerves and don't know how to “work” a party, do not rush in and head straight to the food or bar area, says Dorothea Johnson, founder of The Protocol School of Washington and the author of “Tea & Etiquette: Taking Tea for Business & Pleasure” (Benjamin Press, 2009).

Instead, Johnson says that a good guest greets the host first but doesn't take up much of their time. “You have to be considerate that the host has other guests,” she says. “Then it's your duty to mingle with the other guests and make your presence known.”

Once you've greeted your host, it's time to turn your attention to the other guests. Johnson says she learned a lot from watching former Secretary of State Henry Kissinger at parties. “Kissinger would come in, move to the right and look into the crowd,” says Johnson. “I always thought he was looking for someone, but he was making sure everyone saw him. He would greet people and move his way around the room until everyone was in the center with him. He made eye contact and never walked away without saying

‘excuse me.’ It was brilliant, and everyone should do that.”

If you're great at online chat, but talking face-to-face leaves you tongue-tied, Johnson suggests going straight to someone you know. “But don't spend all evening with them,” she says Johnson. “You should expand yourself and your knowledge by talking to people you don't know.”

While you're enjoying the party, Ingram reminds you that you're still a guest no matter how comfortable you are. “Understand that you are a guest in their house and don't make demands of the host as if you were staying in a hotel – make my bed, turn down your music, et cetera,” she says.

If you're the one hosting the party, Ingram suggests finding out ahead of time what food your guests like so you don't find yourself in uncomfortable situations where the guests aren't eating or complaining about the food (a no-no) because there isn't anything they like.

Together, a great host and great guests are guaranteed to create a great party.

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## HOW TO HANDLE CELL PHONE ADDICTS

No sooner do they walk in the door than your guests whip their cell phones out to check messages, text with their friends or call friends and family. It's distracting to other guests and takes away from the mingling you were hoping for, so how do you handle the cell phone addict?

Daniel Post Senning, of the Emily Post Institute, offers these tips:

1. The best line of defense is to model the behavior you want to see. Don't have your cell phone in your hand when you answer the door or engage your company.
2. Ask guests to take calls in an area where there aren't guests. In a restaurant, if someone is going to use their

phone at the dinner table, it's appropriate for a maitre d' to say something to them.

3. If at all possible, your guests should leave their cell phones behind. If they don't see a pressing need or use for their phone and they are entering a social situation, lock it in the glove compartment

4. Whether you are the guest or the host, take control of the cell phone device and don't let it control you.

“I know a doctor who told the hostess that he was on call. When he got a call, the phone was on vibrate. He looked under the table to see who was calling, excused himself and left the room to answer,” says Dorothea Johnson, Founder of The Protocol School of Washington. “That's the way to do it.”



# Soda Time!

Add a bit of fizz to your holiday party with a homemade soda bar | by LINDSEY ROMAIN

Socializing is one of the joys of the holiday party, but to one likes to leave the conversation to fetch another drink from the kitchen. So bring the conversation to the drinks by setting up a homemade soda bar. It livens up the party and gives guests an opportunity to create their own fresh-flavored drinks.

"You can go as high-tech or as low-tech as you want," says Jeremy Butler, the self-professed Homemade Soda Expert who writes a blog of the same name. "It all depends on how you're making and carbonating your soda, the amount of space you have and how much money you want to put into it."

More expensive routes involve converting chest freezers into chilled keg draft systems or bottling homemade club sodas, but for an easy party set-up, all that's needed is a carbonated water source and pre-made syrups for guests to mix and experiment as they please.

The volume of flavors depends on the party, but Butler advises stocking up and being prepared.

"I always go through more than I think I will," he says, "so be sure to have extra syrup and carbonated water on hand."

Butler also says to allow plenty of space and to keep a checklist of other necessary items: syrups in easy-to-use dispensing bottles, clean glasses, adequate amounts of carbonated water and lots of ice. Keep cleaning materials nearby, because syrups can create a sticky mess.

Purchasing premade syrups from the store may be easiest, but be warned: additives and artificial sweetening can muddle the ingredients list. Try making a simple syrup by boiling



equal parts sugar and water. Or try other natural flavoring products, like agave syrup or honey.

"Start with flavors that are nostalgic but basic," says Butler. "If you can tap into what the main flavor components are in traditional holiday foods, you can probably adapt them into a soda: rum flavor and nutmeg for eggnog, peppermint for candy cane, molasses and ginger and cinnamon for gingerbread."

And don't be afraid to experiment with more complex concoctions. Add milk to make a frothier, heartier drink, like an egg cream soda. Despite the name, egg cream sodas don't actually contain egg; they get their name from the foam generated when the milk and carbonated water are combined. Try this recipe for a dark chocolate egg cream soda, excerpted from "Homemade Soda" by Andrew

Schloss (Storey Publishing, 2011), or stick to Jeremy Butler's recipes for candy cane<sup>2</sup> and gingerbread<sup>3</sup> sodas.

## 2 CANDY CANE SODA

Makes 1 gallon.

2 1/8 cups sugar	3 teaspoon
1/4 teaspoon cream of tartar	peppermint extract or 3 peppermint tea bags or 1/3 cup finely chopped fresh peppermint leaves
8 drops red food coloring (optional)	
cold carbonated water up to 1 gallon (2 2-liter bottles)	1 cup water

Combine sugar, water and cream of tartar. Bring to a boil and simmer 20 minutes. Let cool. Add food coloring and mint extract, ensure it is well blended. Add to carbonated water and mix gently until dissolved.

If using tea bags or peppermint leaves, steep in 2 cups of water separately for 30 minutes covered. Let cool. Strain out the leaves and add to the sugar solution in place of extract.

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## DARK CHOCOLATE EGG CREAM SYRUP

Makes 3 servings

3/4 cup sugar	1/2 cup water
1/2 cup unsweetened cocoa powder	1 cup milk
	1 teaspoon vanilla extract

Combine the sugar, cocoa powder and water in a small saucepan, and whisk together until smooth. Bring to a boil, then remove from the heat and stir in the milk and vanilla. Let cool to room temperature, then chill.

This syrup will keep in the refrigerator for up to 2 days.

1/2 cup ice-cold chocolate egg cream syrup	3/4 cup seltzer, preferably from a siphon
1/4 cup crushed ice	

To mix with seltzer:

Combine the syrup and crushed ice in a tall glass. Add the seltzer, aiming it toward the side of the glass to encourage a large white head of foam to rise to the top. Makes 1 serving.

## 3 GINGERBREAD SODA

Makes 1 gallon.

2 1/8 cups sugar	molasses
1 cup water	1 teaspoon ground cinnamon
1/4 teaspoon cream of tartar	1/2 teaspoon ground cardamom
1/8 cup caramel malt, cracked	1/4 teaspoon cloves
1 teaspoon ground ginger	cold carbonated water up to 1 gallon (2 2-liter bottles)
2 tablespoon	

Combine sugar, water and cream of tartar, bring to a boil, simmer 20 minutes. Allow to cool. In a separate saucepan, heat 1 1/2 cups water to just before boiling. You will see small bubbles form at the base of the pan, but they shouldn't rise to the top. Turn heat to low to maintain this temperature. Add in the caramel malt and all the spices. Steep for 30 minutes covered. Let cool. Strain out the grain and spice sediment and add to the sugar solution with the molasses. Add to carbonated water and mix gently until dissolved.

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# North Side Community Holiday Festivities

## GOODING FESTIVITIES

**December 3-4** - 16th Annual Gooding Holiday Craft Show at Gooding High School, Fri. 10-6 & Sat. 10-4, sponsored by the Gooding Chamber of Commerce. Come get unique Christmas decorating and gift ideas provided by dozens of local crafters, home based businesses, and bakers. Visits with Santa available on Sat. from 10-3. Lunch will be served by the Gooding High School Bowling Team. Donations of canned food, coats, gloves, hats and clothes accepted and will be donated to Helping Hearts and Hands. Free Admission. For more information please call Judy Erdman at 934-9475.

**December 9, 10 & 11** - Annual Christmas Cantata, will be performed at the Walker Center Auditorium, 605 11 Ave. East, Gooding. The Gooding Community Chorale brings Magic Valley's musicians and singers from all over the Magic Valley to present a Cantata. This fun filled musical event will get you and your family into the "Spirit of Christmas. Free Admission.

**Dec. 9 & 10** at 7 pm and Dec. 11 at 4 pm. Following with a meet and greet, refreshments. Donations accepted to help cover the cost of music. For more information please call Rick Strickland at 934-4321 or 539-5210.


**December 3rd** - Gooding Chamber downtown "Holiday Kick-off" including local shopping specials, Horse drawn Carriage rides, visits with Santa. For more detailed information go to [www.goodingchamber.org](http://www.goodingchamber.org)

## SHOSHONE FESTIVITIES

**December 3** - Community Christmas Bazaar, 9 am at the Golden Years Senior Center, 218 No. Rail. Dozens of local venders, crafters,

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**December 3** - Community Get Together & Lighting of the Christmas tree at the Lincoln County Courthouse. Christmas caroling, hot chocolate, cookies and & Santa. 5:30 pm.

**December 13** – Secret Angels Chili Cook and corn bread Cook-Off & Silent Auction to benefit secret angels. (Founded in November of 2005 by Sparr and Wendi McKnight, the Secret Angels set out to buy for children in the community who needed far more than their families could afford. They eventually partnered with the local schools to help us identify those who might truly be going without. And in the end, they were able to give the joy of Christmas to approximately

25 children.

Today, "Secret Angels" continues to partner with businesses and the community as a nonprofit organization that has reached out and celebrated the tradition of bringing the joy of Christmas to children in Lincoln, Gooding, Twin Falls, Jerome, and surrounding counties and towns; every year reaching farther than we did the year before.

But in these tough economic times. Now more than ever before it is important to recapture the reason for the season – for ourselves and our community – by sharing the magic of Christmas with a child in need. We need your help! Become a "Secret Angel" today!)

Admission is one unwrapped toy, 5 pm at Lincoln County Community Center, 201 So. Beverly.. Funds support Secret Angels (provides Christmas to children in need in Shoshone) 320-8262

## WENDELL FESTIVITIES

**December 3** - Wendell Chamber of Commerce Annual Holiday Bazaar! The craft fair will begin at 8am-3pm at the



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**December 9 & 10** - 4th Annual Wreaths Across America held in Wendell at the Veteran's park – From Arlington to Across America Wreaths Across America™, was formed as an extension of the Arlington Wreath Project. The Arlington Wreath program was started by Morrill Worcester in

1992 with the donation and laying of 5000 Christmas wreaths to Arlington National Cemetery. This became an annual journey for Mr. Worcester.

The project received National attention. Thousands of requests poured in from all over the country from people wanting to emulate the Arlington project at their National and State cemeteries spurred the

creation of "Wreaths Across America™". The ceremony includes 7 wreaths (one for each branch of the military as well as POW/MIA), along with a presentation promoting Veterans Remembrance, honoring each fallen serviceman as an individual is stressed. The wreath laying ceremonies is held simultaneously across America the second Saturday of December.

On December 9 approximately 350 wreaths will laid on Veterans graves at the Wendell cemetery. On December 10, the national wreath ceremony begins at 10 am at the Veterans Park. All are invited to come remember and honor our fallen serviceman. If you would like to sponsor a wreath the cost is \$15. Please call Jim to be a sponsor or for more information at 536-6358.

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crafts, home based businesses & baked goods.  
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info or to participate  
Jan 536-1711.





## HOLIDAY EVENTS FOR 2011

### HOLIDAY MUSIC/ TWIN FALLS

Christian recording artist **Paul Saik** performs a Christmas concert at 3 p.m. *NOV. 20* at First United Methodist Church, 360 Shoshone St. E. Concert includes both religious and secular Christmas music. Saik, a vocalist and pianist, is the artist in residence at The Cathedral of the Rockies, First United Methodist Church in Boise. Saik teaches voice, piano and organ. He performs various styles of music, including opera, Broadway, organ, piano and vocal solos, and has performed with opera companies throughout the U.S. Free admission; offering accepted. 733-5872.

### BOOK SIGNING/ TWIN FALLS

**Jan Brett** on a national tour will sign copies of her new books, "Home For Christmas" and "The Night Before Christmas Deluxe Book & DVD Edition" at 5-7 p.m. *NOV. 20* at Barnes and Noble, 1239 Pole Line Road E. Brett is a children's author-illustrator and has more than 37 million books in

print. She regularly occupies the No. 1 slot on the New York Times bestseller list. "Home for Christmas" was inspired by a research trip to Sweden, including journeys to an old-fashioned family farm, helicopter charters up mountains, and folk museums. "The Night Before Christmas" was created from Brett's love of the orchestra: Boston Pops Orchestra, the top commercially recorded orchestra in the U.S., is an institution in Brett's hometown of Boston. Together, the two unveil the symphony's first children's book/DVD project. 733-5554.

### RECITAL/TWIN FALLS

**Nyle Matsuoka and Co.** with a vocal and piano recital, 7 p.m. *NOV. 21* at the College of Southern Idaho's Fine Arts Recital Hall.

### ASTRONOMY/ TWIN FALLS

**Telescope Tuesday** observing session, 6:15-9 p.m. *NOV. 22* in the Centennial Observatory at College of Southern Idaho's Herrett Center for Arts and Science. Weather permitting. Admission is

\$1.50, or free with planetarium show admission. Free for children 6 and younger.

### PLANETARIUM/ TWIN FALLS

**Faulkner Planetarium** at Herrett Center for Arts and Science presents "Two Small Pieces of Glass: The Amazing Telescope" with a

live sky tour at 7 p.m. *NOV. 22*. Tickets: \$4.50 for adults, \$3.50 for seniors and \$2.50 for students. 732-6655 or [csi.edu/herrett](http://csi.edu/herrett).

### PLANETARIUM/ TWIN FALLS

**Faulkner Planetarium** at Herrett Center for Arts and Science presents "Santa Snork Saves the Seasons"

at 1:30, 2:30 and 7 p.m. *NOV. 25*; "Season of Lights" at 4 p.m.; and "Steaming through the Holidays" at 8:15 p.m. Tickets for the afternoon and 7 p.m. show: \$4.50 for adults, \$3.50 for seniors and \$2.50 for students. Tickets for 8:15 p.m. show: \$4.50 for all ages. 732-6655 or [csi.edu/herrett](http://csi.edu/herrett).

### ASTRONOMY/ TWIN FALLS

"The Astronomy of Christmastime" talk, 7:15 p.m. *NOV. 25* in the Rick Allen Room at Herrett Center for Arts and Science. A discussion of important events in the history of astronomy that happened during the Christmas season. Admission is \$2.50 for adults

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and \$1.50 for students; free for children 6 and younger. Telescope viewing follows at the Centennial Observatory; weather permitting. 732-6655.

### GALLERY WALK/KETCHUM

**Gallery Walk**, hosted by Sun Valley Gallery Association, 5-8 p.m. *NOV. 25*, featuring exhibitions at several art galleries in Ketchum and Sun Valley. Free admission. Information and a map: [svgalleries.org](http://svgalleries.org) or 726-5512.

### PLANETARIUM/TWIN FALLS

**Faulkner Planetarium** at Herrett Center for Arts and Science presents **"Santa Snork Saves the Seasons"** at 1:30, 2:30 and 7 p.m. *NOV. 26*; **"Season of Lights"** at 4 p.m.; and **"Steamrolling through the Holidays"** at 8:15 p.m. Tickets for the afternoon and 7 p.m. show: \$4.50 for adults, \$3.50 for seniors and \$2.50 for students. Tickets for 8:15 p.m. show: \$4.50 for all ages. 732-

6655 or [csi.edu/herrett](http://csi.edu/herrett).

### HOLIDAY PARADE/BUHL

Annual **Buhl Night Light Parade**, 7 p.m. *NOV. 26* downtown. Followed by lighting of the Christmas tree at Legacy Square. Info: Buhl Chamber of Commerce, 543-6682.

### PLANETARIUM/TWIN FALLS

**Faulkner Planetarium** at Herrett Center for Arts and Science presents **"Santa Snork Saves the Seasons"** at 7 p.m. *NOV. 29*; and **"Steamrolling through the Holidays"** at 8:15 p.m. Tickets for the 7 p.m. show: \$4.50 for adults, \$3.50 for seniors and \$2.50 for students. Tickets for 8:15 p.m. show: \$4.50 for all ages. 732-6655 or [csi.edu/herrett](http://csi.edu/herrett).

## DECEMBER EVENTS

**JAZZ/TWIN FALLS**  
Vocalist **Madeline Eastman**

and pianist **Bill Anschell** present a master class and jazz concert, *DEC. 1* at the College of Southern Idaho's Fine Arts Recital Hall. Jazz vocal master class is 4-6 p.m., followed by concert at 7:30 p.m. Suggested \$5 donation at the door to the CSI Jazz Club.

### HOLIDAY PARADE/TWIN FALLS

**Festival of Lights Parade**, "Making Merry Memories," presented by *Times-News*, 6 p.m. *DEC. 2* along Main Avenue. Parade starts in the 500 block of Main Avenue South, near Krengel's True Value Hardware, 628 Main Ave. S., and proceeds to the 500 block of Main Avenue North, near Magic Valley High School, 512 Main Ave. N. Floats assemble at 5 p.m. in the parking lot at Krengel's. Area merchants will serve warm beverages. Info: Susan Nickell, 735-3227.

### FESTIVITY/TWIN FALLS

**Festival of Trees Opening Night**, 6:30-10:30 p.m. *DEC. 2* at Southern Idaho Landscape Center, four miles west of Twin Falls on U.S. Highway 30. Includes a dessert bar and hors d'oeuvres; a mixology station (learn to mix the perfect holiday drink); a cupcake decorating station; DJ music by Anderson Mobile Music; and auction. Tickets are \$65. Proceeds benefit St. Luke's Magic Valley Health Foundation programs, including women's and children's health care, cardiac care and cancer care. Info: Rebecca Southwick, 814-0070 or [rebeccaso@slhs.org](mailto:rebeccaso@slhs.org).

### MUSIC/TWIN FALLS

**Magic Valley Symphony** and **Magic Valley Chorale** holiday program, featuring "Many Moods of Christmas" by Shaw/Bennett, 7:30

p.m. *DEC. 2* at College of Southern Idaho Fine Arts Auditorium, with music director and symphony conductor Theodore Hadley. Tickets are \$8 for adults, \$7 for seniors and \$5 for students, at Kurt's Pharmacy in Twin Falls and CSI Fine Arts box office, or at the door. [Mvsymphony.org](http://Mvsymphony.org).

### DANCE/TWIN FALLS

**Disabled American Veterans Auxiliary** public dance, 8 p.m. *DEC. 2* at the DAV Hall, 459 Shoup Ave. Music by the DAV Dance Band. \$2 donations requested. 423-4917.

### CRAFT SHOW/GOODING

The 16th annual **Holiday Craft Show**, presented by Gooding Chamber of Commerce, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. *DEC. 2* and 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. *DEC. 3* at Gooding High School, 1050 Seventh Ave. The event will help the

community food bank and resource center of Helping Hearts and Hands. Photos with Santa Claus available 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. *DEC. 3*; bring your own camera. Gooding High's girls bowling league will sell cinnamon rolls and lunch to raise money for team shirts and bowling fees. Gooding County Historical Society will sell raffle tickets; proceeds go to the county museum's improvement fund. Free admission. Barrels available for donations of canned food items to help stock the food bank, and donations of necessity items (jackets, gloves, hats, socks) to be given to families before Christmas. Info: Judy Erdman, 934-9475.

### BOOK SIGNING/TWIN FALLS

Twin Falls pathologist and author **Jane Bennett Munro** signs copies of her novel, *Please see HOLIDAY, Page 54*



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"Murder Under the Microscope," 1-5 p.m. *DEC. 3* at Barnes & Noble, 1239 A Pole Line Road E. In Munro's new book, a fictional pathologist becomes the center of a complicated web of deception and murder.

**MUSIC/TWIN FALLS**  
**College of Southern Idaho Chamber Choir** concert, 7:30 p.m. *DEC. 3* at the CSI Fine Arts Auditorium. Suggested \$5 donation at the door to the CSI music department's scholarship fund. 732-6288.

**HOLIDAY FESTIVAL/GOODING**  
North Canyon Medical Center Foundation's **Christmas Festival**, 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. *DEC. 3* at the Gooding Country Club. A store featuring holiday items is open 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. A luncheon is set for 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.. Gala night features a no-host social hour at 6 p.m. and dinner at 7 p.m., followed by an auction of live and artificial trees. Tickets are \$12.50 for the luncheon and \$50 for dinner. Advance tickets at North Canyon Medical or from Shirley Tschannen, 934-4405.

**FUNDRAISER/PAUL**  
**Christmas Box Social** and silent auction, 6-8 p.m. *DEC. 3* at Paul Baptist Church, 25 N. Fourth E. An evening of entertainment held annually as a fundraiser for church mission projects. Free admission. Reservations: 438-5126.

**DANCING/RUPERT**  
**River Reelers Square Dance Club** holds a regular dance *DEC. 3* at the Round-A-

Square Center, 215 W. 100 S. (large green building south of Rupert Golf Course on 100 South). Pre-rounds are at 7:30 p.m. and squares start at 8 p.m. Couples and singles welcome; no special dress required. Lessons start in January. Info: Ralph or Brenda Walquist, 438-5456; or Clare Gill, 436-4088; or 438-4621.

**HOLIDAY FESTIVAL/TWIN FALLS**  
The 27th annual **Festival of Trees**, *DEC. 3-5* at Southern Idaho Landscape Center, four miles west of Twin Falls on U.S. Highway 30, with local entertainment throughout the event. Children's Day is 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. *DEC. 3*; Family Day is noon to 9 p.m. *DEC. 4*; and Seniors' Day, the festival's final day, is 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. *DEC. 5*. First Federal's "A Magical Valley Christmas" television production will film from the festival's main stage, 5-9 p.m. *DEC. 3-4*. Admission is \$5. Proceeds benefit St. Luke's Magic Valley Health Foundation programs, including women's and children's health care, cardiac care and cancer care. Info: Rebecca Southwick, 814-0070 or rebecca-

so@slhs.org.  
**HOLIDAY MUSIC/OAKLEY**  
**Oakley Valley Arts Council Christmas Choir** concert, 7:30 p.m. *DEC. 4-5* at Howells Opera House. Choir directed by Kent Severe and Janna Exon. Free admission. Oakleyvalleyarts.org or 677-2787.

**MUSIC/TWIN FALLS**  
**College of Southern Idaho Symphonic Band** concert, 7:30 p.m. *DEC. 6* at the CSI Fine Arts Auditorium. Suggested \$5 donation at the door to the CSI music department's scholarship fund. 732-6288.

**FIDDLING/TWIN FALLS**  
**Idaho Old Time Fiddlers Association** members' acoustic string instrument jam session, 6-8 p.m. *DEC. 7*, followed by the monthly meeting, at Idaho Pizza Co., 1859 Kimberly Road. Open to prospective members and the public. 420-3345.

**Music/Twin Falls**  
**College of Southern Idaho Jazz Ensemble** concert, 7:30 p.m. *DEC. 8* at the CSI Fine Arts Auditorium. Suggested \$5 donation at the door to the CSI music de-

partment's scholarship fund. 732-6288.

**HOLIDAY FESTIVITY/KETCHUM**  
**Ketchum Tree Lighting Ceremony**, 4-8 p.m. *DEC. 8* in Ketchum Town Square. Includes caroling; Santa arriving on a fire truck about 5 p.m.; tree lighting at 5:30 p.m.; and Santa available at the visitor center until 7 p.m.

**THEATER/BURLEY**  
**Burley High School** drama department presents "Cash on Delivery," 7 p.m. *DEC. 8-10* and *DEC. 15-17* and 1 p.m. *DEC. 10* at King Fine Arts Center, 2100 Parke Ave.

**MUSIC/SUN VALLEY**  
Cellist and vocalist **Ben Sollee** performs at 6:30 p.m. *DEC. 9* at Sun Valley Opera House. Sollee's percussive playing style and genre-hopping songwriting incorporates banjo, guitar, percussion and unusual cello techniques to create a mix of folk, bluegrass, jazz and R&B. His 2008 debut album, "Learning to Bend," caught the ear of NAR's Morning Edition, which heralded Sollee as one of the "Top Ten Great Unknown Artists of 2007." Tick-

ets are \$20 for Sun Valley Center for the Arts members, \$30 for others and \$10 for students 18 and younger, at sunvalleycenter.org or 726-9491, ext. 10.

**CANTATA/GOODING**  
**Gooding Community Chorale** performs its annual Christmas cantata, "I Hear The Prophet Callin'" by Pepper Choplin, 7 p.m. *DEC. 9-10* and 4 p.m. *DEC. 11* at the Walker Center, 605 11th Ave. E. Chorale and orchestra are directed by Rick Strickland. Information: Strickland, 539-5210. Free admission;

donations accepted.

**FIDDLING/TWIN FALLS**  
**Fiddlers Inc.** holds a potluck, jam session and dancing, 11:30 a.m. *DEC. 10* at Disabled American Veterans building, 459 Shoup Ave. Open for those playing a stringed instrument (guitar, fiddle or mandolin). Free admission.

**MUSIC/TWIN FALLS**  
**College of Southern Idaho Honors** concert, 2 p.m. *DEC.*

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### ASTRONOMY/ TWIN FALLS

**Star Party** with telescope viewing, 6 p.m. to midnight DEC. 10, in the Centennial Observatory at the Herrett Center for Arts and Science. View Jupiter, Uranus, Neptune, full moon and double stars. Free admission.

### MUSIC/TWIN FALLS

**College of Southern Idaho Percussion Ensemble** concert, 7:30 p.m. DEC. 10 at the CSI Fine Arts Auditorium. Suggested \$5 donation at the door to the CSI music department's scholarship fund. 732-6288.

### HOLIDAY HOME TOUR/SHOSHONE

**Christmas Home Tour**, 2-6 p.m. DEC. 10 in North Shoshone. The decorated homes and businesses will feature a variety of activities: a display of holiday quilts, horse-drawn wagon rides to a live manger scene, artisans with demonstrations, and local authors will sign books. Refreshments available at some locations. Ticket proceeds will benefit the Lincoln County Chamber of Commerce's scholarship fund. Info: Salli Hubbs, 316-1003 or 886-2022.

### DANCING/ TWIN FALLS

**The Eugene Ballet** performs Peter Tchaikovsky's

**"The Nutcracker,"** 7:30 p.m. DEC. 12 at College of Southern Idaho's Fine Arts Auditorium. The classic features an imaginative storyline, colorful sets, dazzling costumes and magical dancing, complete with Sugar Plum Fairies, magical mice and toys that come to life. In addition to a cast of professional dancers, it features 50 area children as baby mice, angels and flowers. Tickets are \$19 for adults and \$13 for children, at tickets.csi.edu or 732-6288.

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**College of Southern Idaho Madrigals** present "Here We Come A-Caroling," 7:30 p.m. DEC. 14 at the CSI Fine Arts Theater. Suggested \$5 donation at the door to the

CSI music department's scholarship fund. 732-6288.

### CANTATA/BUHL West End Community

**Singers'** annual Christmas cantata, 7:30 p.m. DEC. 14 at the Buhl United Methodist Church, 908 Maple St. Directed by Gary Heidel. Freewill offering.

### THEATER/ SUN VALLEY

**Company of Fools** presents **"It's a Wonderful Life: A Live Radio Play"** by Joe Landry, 7 p.m. DEC. 13-15, 8 p.m. DEC. 16-17 and 3 p.m. DEC. 18 at the Sun Valley Opera House. Directed by Denise Simone. The setting is Christmas Eve 1946, where several radio players create all the characters in

Frank Capra's classic, including George Bailey, plus commercials, sound effects and music. Tickets are \$30 for adults, \$20 for seniors (62 and older) and \$10 for children (18 and younger), at companyoffools.org or 578-9122.

### ART RECEPTION/ TWIN FALLS

**Artist reception** and exhibit opening for photography by **Kim Critchfield** and **Dominique Svamberk**, 7-9 p.m. DEC. 15 at Twin Falls Center for the Arts, 195 River Vista Place. Free admission. 734-2787.

**DANCE/TWIN FALLS Disabled American Veterans Auxiliary** public dance, 8 p.m. DEC. 16 at the DAV Hall,

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### MUSICAL/ TWIN FALLS

**"Menopause the Musical,"** 2 p.m. DEC. 17 at the College of Southern Idaho's Fine Arts Auditorium. The production includes parodies from classics of the '60s, '70s and '80s, including disco "Stayin' Awake" and an anthem to exercise, "Puff, My God I'm Draggin'." Ticket information to be announced.

### HOLIDAY MUSIC/TWIN FALLS

**Magic Valley Jubilee** community concert with Christmas music, 7 p.m. DEC. 17 at

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### DANCING/RUPERT

**River Reelers Square Dance Club** holds a regular dance *DEC. 17* at the Round-A-Square Center, 215 W. 100 S. (large green building south of Rupert Golf Course on 100 South). Pre-rounds are at 7:30 p.m. and squares start at 8 p.m. Couples and singles welcome; no special dress required. Lessons start in January. Info: Ralph or Brenda Walquist, 438-5456; or Clare Gill, 436-4088; or 438-4621.

### CANTATA/BUHL

**West End Community Singers'** annual Christmas cantata, 3 p.m. *DEC. 18* at Clover Trinity Lutheran

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### THEATER/HAILEY

**Company of Fools** presents "It's a Wonderful Life: A Live Radio Play" by Joe Landry, 7 p.m. *DEC. 20-23* and 27-30 at 3 p.m. *DEC. 24* at Liberty Theatre, 110 N. Main St. Directed by Denise

Simone. The setting is Christmas Eve 1946, where several radio players create all the characters in Frank Capra's classic, including George Bailey, plus commercials, sound effects and music. Tickets are \$30 for adults, \$20 for seniors (62 and older) and \$10 for children (18 and younger). Tickets at companyof-fools.org or 578-9122.

### GALLERY WALK/KETCHUM

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