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POLICE BATTLE METH One Year Later.



While A year-long investigation that broke up two large Magic Valley drug rings is a victory for law enforcement, it comes with a twinge of hollowness as the area's meth trade remains strong.

BY ALISON GENE SMITH
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JEROME • A county line can't stop it. Nor can the Snake River Canyon.

Internationally-connected methamphetamine dealers are spreading increasingly potent doses of the drug across the Magic Valley at a rate local law enforcement can't keep up with. Law officials say their efforts to quell the area drug's trade have made only small dents, even after a year-long investigation broke up a drug ring that moved pounds of meth through the Magic Valley each week.

What began in 2010 as a local investigation of one man evolved into a sprawling web of federal and state cases that levied gun and drug charges against 10 suspects. This is how the Magic Valley's biggest drug

bust in years went down, and what it's meant to an area frustrated by the highly addictive drug's damage to our way of life.

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About two years ago, Idaho State Police began investigating Twin Falls drug dealer Juan Montejano Barraza, now 41. Barraza had studied to be a veterinarian in Spain and formerly worked for the Mexican government, but detectives believed he had entered the U.S. illegally and was selling meth to his co-workers at a Magic Valley dairy.

An ISP detective who worked the case told the *Times-News* that Barraza was selling a quarter-pound of meth daily. While keeping tabs on Barraza, investigators found he had two main sources: Jose Dolores Leon-Aispuro in Jerome and 39-year-old Lazaro Ramirez Arreola in Parma.

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The Players

Local, state and federal authorities took down members of two drug distribution rings during a joint raid of three locations in February 11. The bust has led to decades of state and federal jail time for those arrested. Here's a look:

RING 1

Jose Dolores Leon-Aispuro (fugitive)
Juan Montejano Barraza, 40, Twin Falls
Sentenced to 10 years federal prison, concurrent with 6 state years for conspiracy to distribute methamphetamine and unlawful possession of a firearm
Ceila Ivonne Loya, 31, Wendell
Sentenced to 2 1/2 years federal prison, 3 years supervised release for unlawful possession of a firearm
Noel Diaz, 33, Richfield
Sentenced to 9 years federal prison for conspiracy to dis-

tribute methamphetamine

Julio Cesar Cardelas-Martinez, 32, Jerome
Sentenced to 8 years, 1 month federal prison for conspiracy to distribute methamphetamine
Lazaro Ramirez Arreola, 39, Parma
Sentenced to 2 years federal prison for conspiracy to distribute methamphetamine

RING 2

Manuel V. Guerrero (fugitive)
Jesus Manuel Fontes, 49, Jerome
Charged with conspiracy to distribute methampheta-

mine, three counts distributing methamphetamine; March 5 change of plea hearing scheduled
Francisco Garcia, 49, Bliss
Sentenced to 2 1/2 years federal prison, 3 years supervised release for conspiracy to distribute methamphetamine
Rocendo Lara, 55, Jerome
Sentenced to 5 years federal prison, 4 years supervised release for conspiracy to distribute methamphetamine
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Gone to the Dogs

BY MCKAYLA HAACK
For the Times-News

TWIN FALLS • A fence, posted rules, a bag dispenser and sign-in sheet full of thank-you notes — just some of the things you'll find at a new temporary dog park open to area canines and their masters.

Frontier Park, a softball field located off Falls Avenue on the College of Southern Idaho campus, will be open to dogs until March 11. If dog owners have their way, a larger park will open after that.

The Twin Falls Parks and Recreation Department and Magic Valley Canine Social Club have been working together for sometime to open a dog park. Frontier Park serves as a test to see if one will work in the city.

Despite mud that shows up in the park's infield, dog owners on Saturday said that for the most part they like it.

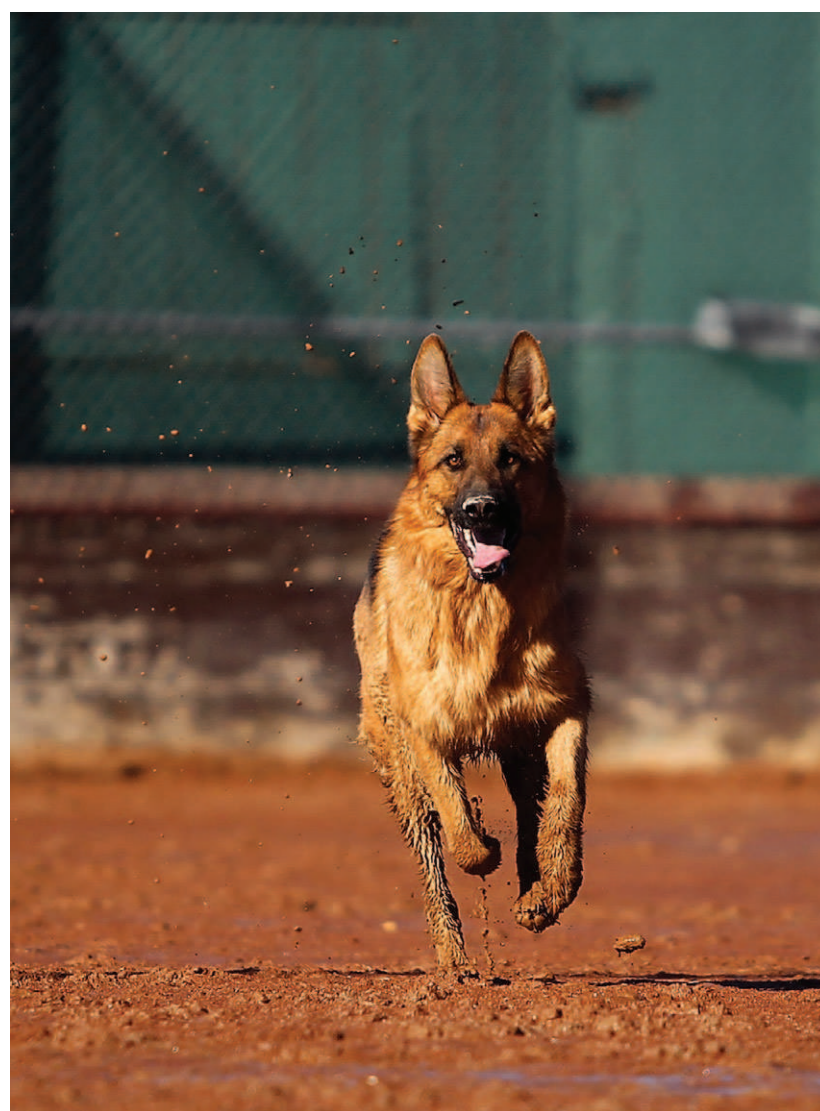
Dog owner Steve Vawser and his brother Jake Vawser were at the park Saturday throwing a ball for dogs Harley and Boulder.

Jake Vawser said he was impressed with the work that went into the park, though a bigger one would be better.

"We are trying to gage if there is a need for a dog park," said Parks and Recreation Director Dennis Bowyer, noting that Frontier Park was chosen because there are few residential homes in the area. "We have tried two other sites for dog parks and the neighbors had very large concerns."

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A temporary dog park gets muddy, pet owners say, but it's hopefully a step closer to getting a permanent place for their canines to run.



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Nate Bondelid's dog Lakota runs through a muddy softball infield that's currently being used as a temporary dog park on the College of Southern Idaho campus Saturday in Twin Falls. Some owners have said they wash their dogs after every visit to the park.

'A Matter of Morale'

Through layoffs, furloughs and stagnating salaries, budget cuts have hit state employees hard. The Legislature's hope to reward them next year may still be undone by uncertain state revenues.

BY MELISSA DAVLIN
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BOISE • Rising costs, stagnant pay, an increased workload with fewer people to handle it.

It's a familiar story for Idaho's state employees. Budget cuts have forced state agencies to shed more than 1,800 full-time positions since 2008. For the employees who remain, the last four years have meant busier workweeks and more furlough days — all without raises.

It's a problem both Gov. C.L. "Butch" Otter and the Legislature want to address in the coming fiscal year, but there are disagreements on how best to do so.

The Problem

Three consecutive years of state funding reductions have affected every area of each state agency, including their employees. It's hard to pin down the number of state employees lost

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Did something this month I never dreamed I'd do: I became a Californian.

After I retired in August, my wife landed a job in Sacramento. We sold our house in Idaho, bought another in California and I arrived last week — like the Beverly Hillbillies — on an old truck with three dogs, three cats and our furniture.

There's some history here: I'm an Idaho native — lived in the state for 53 of my 60 years — and in print I've had a glorious good time for decades making fun of Californians. Especially California expatriates to Idaho.

They tried a little too hard to impose their big-city ways on the Gem State, I reckoned. And they boasted much too often about selling their houses in Orange County for 10 times as much as they paid for their new homes in Idaho.

According to the Idaho Department of Commerce, in the neighborhood of 40,000 Californians have migrated to Idaho since 1980 — mostly, I'm guessing, driven by fatigue with Golden State's lifestyle, traffic, crime, taxes and overregulation.

That's a number roughly equivalent to the population of Twin Falls. Fewer Idahoans, I'm guessing, have gone the other way.

Few enough that while I was standing in the checkout line at a Home Depot in Sacramento last



week — attired in my vibrant orange Boise State University sweatshirt — a couple of locals suggested that the Broncos paid football coach Chris Petersen in spuds.

Petersen, of course, was originally a Californian — he went to college at UC-Davis. A fitness addict, I'm not sure the coach believes in spuds.

I do, but when my wife and I went out to dinner the other night I must admit that I ordered rice. When in Rome ...

What if that was just the first step down the slippery slope of Californication? You know, morphing into a Democrat, buying a skateboard, becoming an addict of Groupon.com?

And there's this: When I left Boise last Monday it was snowing and 17-above. As I write this on my deck in Sacramento on Friday afternoon, it's 65 degrees and the sun is — of course — shining.

I'll always be an Idahoan: Heck, I was Pocatello before Pocatello was cool.

But, yes, thanks: I will have another glass of zinfandel.

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Meth

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Through surveillance, investigators learned that Barraza was purchasing about a pound of 98 percent to 99 percent pure meth per week, before diluting it with a chemical commonly used to treat joint inflammation in both humans and horses.

By mixing batches of equal amounts of meth and the chemical, Barraza was essentially doubling his money from each purchase.

"This was a large-scale operation," the ISP detective said, especially compared to other area drug operations.

ISP and other agencies were also investigating a drug ring which included 49-year-old Jesus Manuel Fontes, owner of the Durango Club, a downtown Jerome dive across Main Street from the Jerome County Judicial Annex.

While both Fontes and Barraza were involved in large-scale operations, the two investigations never overlapped. It just shows how many dealers there are locally, the ISP detective said.

Fontes' meth was also nearly pure, and he was trying to find something to cut it with, the detective said.

In both instances, the pure meth made its way to the Magic Valley from large-scale labs in Mexico, said District of Idaho Assistant U.S. Attorney Christian Nafzger.

Nafzger, who has argued for the government in various federal drug cases, including both Fontes and Barraza's, said meth in the Magic Valley was typically 50 percent pure at best only a year ago. Today, he frequently sees pure or near-pure meth being sold in the area, sometimes without chemical dilutions like those Barraza used.

"It's shocking that there's that big of a demand for that pure of meth," he said.

But the demand is here, as Jerome County Sheriff Doug McFall said meth has at least equaled marijuana as the most prevalent illicit substance in his county.

McFall's office was one of 11 federal, state, and local agencies that assisted in the investigation that started with Barraza and ended in the February 2011 raid of the two large drug and firearms distribution rings.

McFall's deputies were joined by ISP, Jerome police and federal Drug Enforcement Agency officers in conducting Feb. 15 raids of the Durango Bar and a home near Jerome High School that led to the arrest of seven of the 10 suspects.

"That large (of an operation), not really any one entity can handle," McFall said. "The DEA and ISP and local sheriffs and police all work together as a team."

The 10 defendants were charged with a total 47 felonies, including distribution of meth, cocaine and marijuana, with some of the allegations dating back to March 2009. Only two suspects indicted — Leon-Aisuro and Manuel V. Guerrero — remain fugitives, and are believed to have fled to Mexico.

And only one suspect caught in that raid, Fontes, hasn't been sentenced.

Along with drug charges, Barraza and Julio Cesar Cardelas-Martinez, 32, of Jerome, were each accused of possessing .38-caliber semiautomatic pistols, while Ceila Ivonne Loya, 31, of Wendell, sold a 12-gauge shotgun and .22-caliber rifle to confidential



(TOP) In this photo taken Friday night, the former Durango Club sits silent after being seized as part of a drug raid last February in Jerome. (BOTTOM) A door at the former Durango Club remains closed, Friday in Jerome.

ISP informants.

So far, the suspects have been sentenced to a combined 39 years in federal prison and up to 15 in state prison.

Included in the grand jury indictments against Fontes and Guerrero was the seizure of the Durango Club. According to a detective's testimony at a detention hearing for Fontes, ISP performed several drug buys at the bar.

Even with two prominent drug rings taken out at once, more fill the void.

Only two weeks ago, three Mexican nationals were arrested in Jerome on federal charges of conspiring to distribute meth. In that case, ISP officers and confidential informants purchased several large quantities of meth from the suspects before raiding a home in southern Jerome County.

During the search, police say they found numerous firearms, \$2,900 in cash, about 2 pounds of meth and smaller amounts of cocaine and marijuana.

"In my career as a law enforcement officer, I've noticed our drug problem probably stayed pretty consistent," McFall said. "It's not getting any better." While he doesn't foresee the drug problem getting out of control, McFall said his office and other agencies have to work daily to keep it in check.

Raids like last February's and this month's are the reason there aren't people on every street corner selling drugs, he said.

"People are afraid of getting caught," he said. "Without that threat there'd be a lot of people trying to make an easy buck."

But the source of the meth threat has shifted. Lower-quality meth made in local labs and sold in small amounts used to dominate Idaho's illicit meth market. But with stricter U.S. controls on ingredients like the decongestant pseudoephedrine, most local meth can be traced to traffickers who bring it through Arizona and Nevada from Mexican super-labs.

Police say Lazaro Ramirez Arreola, one of the men selling to Barraza, was doing just that.

"His cover was he was running horses," said the investigator on the Barraza case.

Working with Arizona agencies and U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement, detectives learned that Arreola would buy horses under the guise of selling them at a ranch just south of the U.S. border.

On several occasions, agencies in multiple states



made traffic stops on Arreola's truck. Drug-sniffing dogs indicated drug residue was present in the truck and horse trailer, but no drugs were ever found.

"It just seems like there's an unlimited supply of meth coming from Mexico," Nafzger, the U.S. attorney, said.

"The more it comes in, the more people try it," he said. "A lot of people only need to try it once and they're a customer for life, or until they're arrested."

More drugs lead to more drug addicts, which feeds the market for more drugs to come in, he said. As the cycle continues, Nafzger said he sees addicts' need to feed their habit and sellers' need to pay back debts lead to more crimes like thefts, home invasions and robberies.

"From domestic violence to assault to murders to burglaries, many crimes boil down to meth," he said.

Jerome Mayor John Shine said he believes Jerome is a safe community, and applauds local law enforcement on their efforts.

"When we have a major drug bust, we've had three or four since I've been mayor, it can't help but make the community safer," he said.

Jerome officials hope that another positive will come out of last February's bust — the continued revitalization of downtown through a new, drug-free occupant of the former Durango Club. The building will be sold at auction at date to be determined.

"Anytime a business closes in downtown it has a negative effect on the community as a whole," Jerome Chamber of Commerce Director Jon Melone said. "What we want to see instead is a downtown that's growing and thriving."

While he's heard various opinions about how downtown Jerome has gone downhill, Melone said he'd like to start hearing solutions.

"It takes the community rallying around and saying we're going to change this," he said.

"We're a Northern Border State with a Huge Southern Border Problem."

Christian Nafzger,
District of Idaho
Assistant U.S. Attorney

The Durango Club's seizure as part of the raid didn't help business relations between the town's white and Hispanic populations, either, Melone said, and he'd like to see more Hispanic business owners join the chamber and begin to bridge that divide.

"There are some negative opinions about the Hispanic community that's moved into town," he said. "But without them there'd be a lot more empty storefronts downtown."

While the illegal drug trade has serious consequences locally, along the U.S. border and in Mexico it causes even more pain and misery.

"People don't appreciate how interrelated all of this is," Nafzger said. "We're a northern border state with a huge southern border problem."

While Idahoans can look down upon the murders and suffering drug cartels have caused in Mexico, people who buy drugs here play their part in allowing it to persist, he said.

While McFall said he receives many tips from concerned citizens, and anti-drug programs in schools help to some degree, law enforcement agencies agree, the Magic Valley's drug problem is nowhere near resolution.

It's why, even in the face of a victory in the area's battle against meth, there's a twinge of hollowness to that win.

An insatiable desire for drugs is causing incredible heartache, Nafzger said, and only a community making a conscious decision to decrease drug use can help.

"We can't turn blind eye and say 'Mexico, what a mess,'" he said. "It's not going to stop."

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Employees

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because of different ways to classify workers, Cathie Holland-Smith of Idaho's Legislative Services Office told legislators during her Jan. 16 presentation to the Joint Finance-Appropriation Committee.

But regardless of how you count them, the numbers near 2,000 — and the effects are far-reaching.

Take the Department of Health and Welfare's Division of Behavioral Health, for example. State Hospital South in Blackfoot has lost 37 full-time employees since 2009, according to division administrator Ross Edmunds. Those cuts coincided with a near doubling of admissions to the psychiatric hospital, from 253 in 2008 to 490 in 2011.

Those staffing cuts have left the hospital in a dangerous situation, for both staff and patients. Since 2009, staff injuries from patient assaults have increased from 35 to 58 last year. Those injuries can be as small as a hurt finger from moving a struggling patient to a punch in the face, Edmunds said.

The situation isn't ideal for patients, either. Edmunds cited one example of a patient becoming ill after receiving psychotropic medications.

"We recognized that some of the levels in their blood were too high, which created a safety concern," he said. Those errors are easier to catch when there is an on-site lab technician.

During his Jan. 18 presentation to JFAC, Edmunds requested funding to restore 10 full-time positions at the hospital. Even with reduced staff, "the needs of (patients) have certainly not reduced," he said.

of CEC to keep up with inflation," he said.

Rep. Maxine Bell, R-Jerome and co-chairwoman of JFAC, said she understands the frustration.

"It's reasonable to me that it would affect morale," she said. "You do more and you have furlough days with no pay and you don't see any end in sight."

In his budget proposal, presented at the beginning of the legislative session, Otter set aside \$41 million for a 3 percent CEC bonus in fiscal 2013. The catch: The money will be released in two stages, and only if the state hits its revenue projections halfway through and at the end of the fiscal year that starts July 1.

Think of it as a trigger — if the state hits its goals, the money goes to employees. By doing this, the state will avoid disappointing employees by promising raises, only to hand out furloughs if the economy sours later, Otter said.

While he understands the governor's reasoning, Otter's proposed route to providing pay bumps isn't popular amongst most Idaho lawmakers, said JFAC Co-chairman Sen. Dean Cameron, R-Rupert. Cameron said he and other legislators would like to avoid using a trigger for CEC funding. Legislators are considering making the raise for state workers a permanent, ongoing item instead of a triggered bonus, and using that revenue trigger to fund other parts of Otter's proposal, such as re-filling the state's rainy day funds.

But College of Southern Idaho President Jerry Beck said he supports the governor's CEC plan.

"There is no question that employees have not had raises," Beck said. But because of where the state is financially, Beck said he's concerned that if Idaho makes the CEC part of its base budget, it will lead to furloughs or holdbacks if revenues dip again. But making a one-time increase triggered by the state hitting its revenue goals is a prudent approach, he said.

Whether the legislature approves the governor's plan or creates a permanent, ongoing CEC, it doesn't mean every state employee would receive the same blanket raise. For example, if the Legislature approves a 3 percent boost, that appropriation would go to each individual agency. The individual divisions would then decide how to spend that money, Bell explained. One employee might get a 2 percent raise, while another might receive 4 percent.

"The percentage is not equal across employees, but it's equal across agencies," Bell said.

Finding the Money

Outside of legislative appropriations, state agencies have other, albeit limited, ways to control employee compensation.

South Central Public Health District has dropped 14 full-time positions in the last four years, director Rene LeBlanc said. All have been lost through attrition, or not filling positions after people retire or quit. Of the remaining employees, some have received raises from promotions, but most haven't had a change in compensation since July 2008.

That's going to change soon. On Wednesday, the board of the health district that covers south-central Idaho voted to give employees a permanent raise with money saved from vacant positions.

When employees leave positions that won't be kept open through attrition, LeBlanc explained, the agency still receives the money appropriated for that position. In the time it takes to advertise the vacancy, interview applicants and hire someone, the agency has saved money. With the money SCPHD saved, they decided to give a permanent raise to their employees.

Raises will average about 3.8 percent, LeBlanc said, and an employee's individual raise will depend on factors including their market value and performance.

Cameron said maneuvers like that sometimes raises eyebrows among appropriations committee members. While he agrees that directors should have flexibility in how best to spend money appropriated for salaries, those agencies often come back to ask for more funding for positions. For employees at state agencies who haven't been able to do that, Bell is optimistic that the legislature will approve a CEC.

"It is not big money for anybody to get a 2 or 3 percent (CEC) after having nothing for four or five years," Bell said. "It is a matter ... of morale."

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And the lack of CEC hasn't gone unnoticed. In JFAC presentations, where state agencies present their budget requests to the Legislature, division heads frequently cite a pay increase as one of their biggest priorities to help retain talent.

"I think it's important that even a token improvement in CEC would do much to improve morale among our faculty," said Tony Fernandez, president of Lewis and Clark State College, during his Jan. 23 presentation to JFAC.

Idaho State Police Capt. Rob Storm said the lack of CEC has stressed his employees at ISP's Jerome-based Region 4 station.

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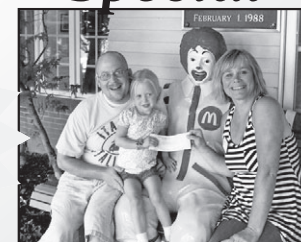
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FELONY SENTENCINGS

Ramon Leon Garcia, 23, Twin Falls; conspiracy to commit burglary, 6 years penitentiary, 2 determinate, 4 indeterminate, \$225.50 costs.
Cole Michael Howard, 25, Kimberly; attempted possession of a controlled substance (oxycondone), 3.5 years penitentiary, 2 determinate, 1.5 indeterminate, 3 years probation, 100 hours community service, \$265.50 costs.
John Eric Buck, 42, Twin Falls; aggravated assault on a law enforcement officer, 5 years penitentiary, 2 determinate, 3 indeterminate, 3 years probation, no alcohol, \$225.50 costs, \$200 public defender fee.
Colby Douglas Redgrave, 22, Twin Falls; intimidating a witness, withheld judgment granted, 2 years probation, \$225.50 costs.

FELONY DISMISSAL

Rangen Mya Yi, 26, Twin Falls; possession of a controlled substance, dismissed by prosecutor.

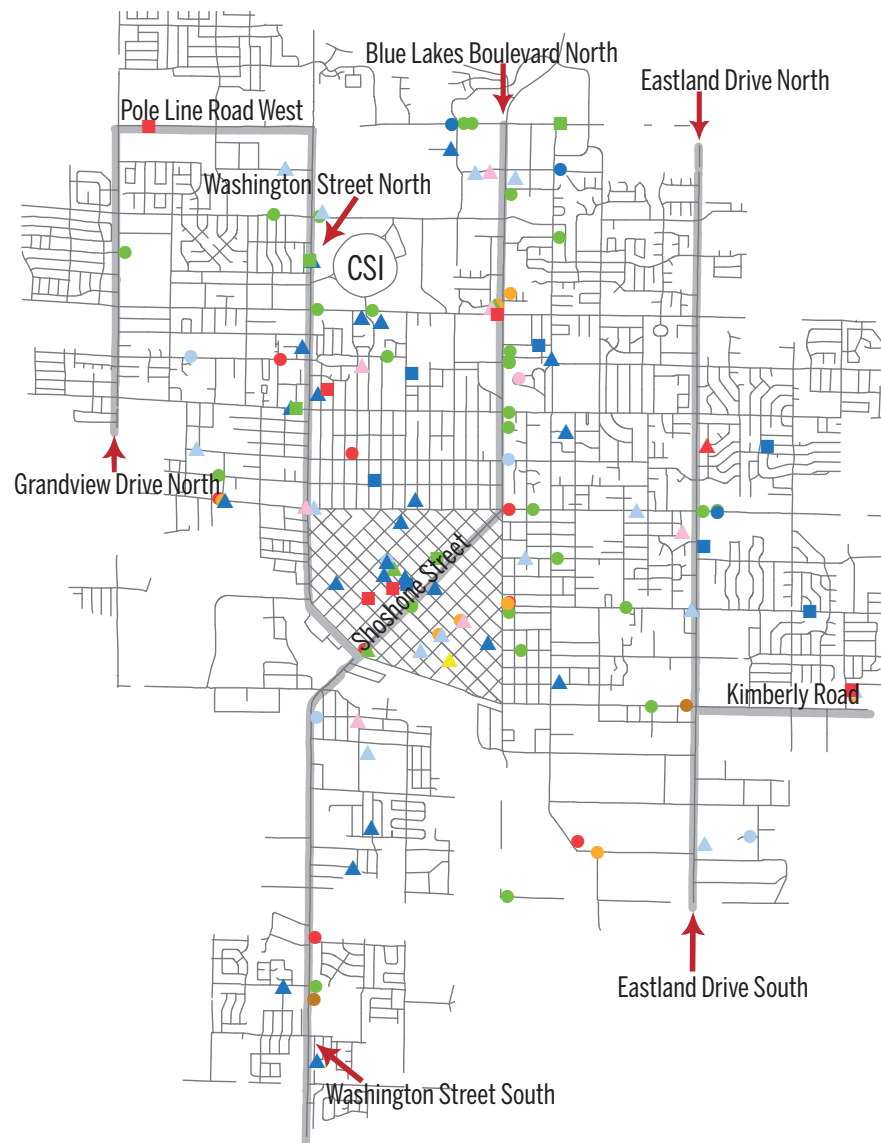
DRIVING UNDER THE INFLUENCE SENTENCINGS

Kenneth Erik Froelich, 21, Twin Falls; driving under the influence, \$800 fine, \$500 suspended, \$182.50 costs, \$75 public defender fee, 180 days jail, 176 suspended, 2 days time credited, driving privileges suspended 180 days, 12 months probation, no alcohol.
Thomas Leon Wray, 57, Twin Falls; driving under the influence, \$800 fine,

\$500 suspended, \$182.50 costs, 90 days jail, 88 suspended, 1 day time credited, driving privileges suspended 90 days, 12 months probation, no alcohol.
Jamie Rae Vanderlinden, 21, Jerome; driving under the influence, \$1,000 fine, \$600 suspended, \$182.50 costs, 90 days jail, 88 suspended, 1 day time credited, driving privileges suspended 180 days, 12 months probation, no alcohol.

CHILD SUPPORT CASES

The State of Idaho, Department of Health and Welfare, Child Support Services has filed claims against the following:
Mark Daniel Paiva, seeking establishment of child support and Medicaid reimbursement: \$287 monthly support plus 60 percent of medical expenses not covered by insurance, 60 percent of any work-related day care expenses and \$8,149.15 in Medicaid reimbursement for birth costs.
Jason Wayne McBride, seeking establishment of child support and Medicaid reimbursement: \$159 monthly support plus 50 percent of medical expenses not covered by insurance, 50 percent of any work-related day care expenses and \$8,175.35 in Medicaid reimbursement for birth costs.
Joshua Lynn George, seeking establishment of paternity, child support and Medicaid reimbursement: \$351 monthly support plus 59 percent of medical expenses not covered by insurance, 59 percent of any work-related day care expenses and



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\$5,974.19 in Medicaid reimbursement for birth costs.

DIVORCES FILED

Nikol Silver vs. Loana Silver.
 Andrea Shetler vs. Michael Shetler.
 Manuela Osuna vs. Jesus Osuna.
 Debra Straubhaar vs. Steven Straubhaar.
 Shawn Stone vs. Nicole Stone.
 Jerod Bosh vs. Rikki Bosh.

Diane Feagins vs. Thomas Feagins.
 James Jespersion vs. Audrianna Jespersion.
 Sandra Dayley vs. Dean Dayley.
 Albert Foster vs. Tina Foster.
 Russell Mueller vs. Mallory Mueller.

CITY OF TWIN FALLS DRIVING UNDER

THE INFLUENCE SENTENCING

Melodie Kae Jensen, 51, Twin Falls; driving under the influence, \$800 fine, \$500 suspended, \$182.50

costs, 90 days jail, 88 suspended, 1 day time credited, driving privileges suspended 180 days, 12 months probation, no alcohol.



Jake Vawser plays with his dog Harley, middle, and his friends' German Shepherd Lakota at the temporary dog park on the College of Southern Idaho campus Saturday in Twin Falls.

Dogs

Continued from the front page

At Frontier, one concern was the dung. It is dog owner's responsibility to clean up after their pets, otherwise you might face a fine. Bowyer said the department plans to send letters to neighbors to gage the park's pros and cons.

The Canine Social Club volunteered to visit the park once a week to make sure it's clean. Another concern by some is the mud, though a plywood path has been installed that leads to the grass.

Club member Steve Vawser said the club is trying to find a permanent park location, looking into areas near the animal shel-

ter on Victory Avenue or the juvenile detention center on Wright Avenue.

Frontier is divided into sections for dogs, with one part, field No. 3, for dogs less than 35 pounds; and another part, field No. 2, for dogs weighing more than 35 pounds. Each section has its own entrance.

Chuck Schultz, another dog owner, said he plans to use the park three to four times a week. He formerly would take his dog Angel to Rock Creek Park for walks, but now he comes to Frontier.

"I see a need for a dog park because I see a lot of folks with dogs," he said. "There is a need for a park with water, especially for the bigger breeds."

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Art's Art Show Coming to Town

BY NATALIE DICOU
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TWIN FALLS • If all goes according to Art Hoag's plans, it could become a signature event for southern Idaho.

Art & Soul of the Magic Valley isn't your typical judges-pick-winner art contest. It involves every corner of the community — businesses, artists, regular folks who enjoy a nice painting.

Oh, and the prize money? It's huge: \$30,000 in total winnings, including \$10,000 for first place.

On Saturday, contest organizers held a media event at the Twin Falls Center for the Arts to raise excitement for the 9-day show set for April 27 to May 5.

Last year's first-place winner Robert Moore, of Declo, gave a painting demonstration, explaining his techniques as he made strokes on a landscape of yellows, purples and browns.

"We're trying to inspire people and get them thinking about the show," said Hoag, director of the Art Guild of Magic Valley.

Hoag masterminded the contest, which debuted last year with 94 artists displaying their work in businesses throughout Twin Falls.

In the show's second year, Hoag expects a bigger turnout, more than 200 entrants.

Here's how it works: Artists submit their work (\$50 entry fee), sponsors back an artist of their choice (for \$100), and businesses sign up to become venues (also \$100).

"Once (artists) have a sponsor and a venue, they're in," Hoag said.

Get Artsy

Art & Soul of the Magic Valley is scheduled for April 27 to May 5. To become an entrant, sponsor or venue host, visit magicvalleyhasart.com

Sponsors and businesses choose artists to support by viewing their work on the guild's website.

During the show, the public votes for the big-money winners. Voters can be anyone who strolls the streets of Twin Falls, stepping into restaurants, banks and mom-and-pop shops to view paintings, drawings, photography, fabric arts and everything in between.

Artists can enter until the end of March; Hoag wants businesses and sponsors on board by Feb. 15, but he says he'll be flexible.

Artist Jan Mittleider entered last year, and plans to submit her photography again this year.

"Last year, I can't tell you how many people said 'I've never been in this shop before,'" said Mittleider of the foot traffic that poured in to participating businesses.

She's looking forward to visiting venues and is thrilled such a unique event has come to Twin Falls.

"It's the quickest way to run away from home without leaving home," she said.

Painter Wendy Blickenstaff, of Twin Falls, said she is impressed with Hoag's vision and follow-through.

"I'm amazed," she said. "I feel like Art Hoag is kind of like the ant carrying the rubber tree. He has these ideas, and all of a sudden, they come to fruition."



DREW NASH • TIMES-NEWS

(TOP) Robert Moore, artist and last year's winner for the Art and Soul of the Magic Valley contest, demonstrates his art to a small crowd at the Twin Falls Center for the Arts on Saturday in Twin Falls. (BOTTOM) Moore talks about painting during a demonstration.



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Man Convicted of Brutal Crime in 2000 Gets Parole

BY PATRICK ORR
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BOISE • Linda LeBrane was passing through Idaho in June 2000 from Washington to her family cabin in Utah when she was forced off the freeway, robbed, stabbed and beaten with a baseball bat. Her attackers set her car afire on a secluded farm road west of Caldwell and left her for dead.

Now, nearly 12 years later, the Idaho Parole Board is releasing one of the men convicted in the attack.

LeBrane said she was disappointed by the decision but is working hard to keep a positive outlook.

"It raises fears for me, but of all the four people (who attacked her), he is the one I am least fearful of," LeBrane told the Statesman on Friday. "Unlike the others, he actually admitted he was there."

"The prosecutor also told me that by putting him on parole for the last three years, they can monitor him, to see if he is truly rehabilitated."

Kenneth Wurdemann's official parole date is Feb. 24, but the board determined he must first complete the "therapeutic community" program at Idaho State Correctional Institution before he can be released. That should be sometime in March.

Wurdemann will go to South Carolina — if that state agrees to supervise him — and will not be allowed to come back to Idaho or have any contact with LeBrane.

LeBrane had opposed Wurdemann's release. "I would feel terrified if he is let out of prison," she wrote to the Parole Board. "I suffer from severe PTSD and have made remarkable recovery because I know the four attackers are in prison and can't hurt me anymore."

What Happened in 2000

LeBrane was driving from Port Townsend, Wash., on Interstate 84 when the attack occurred early on the morning of June 15, 2000. When her attackers left, LeBrane rolled away from her burning car and was rescued by passersby who saw the flames.

Wurdemann, his younger brother John Wurdemann, Jeremy Sanchez and Sarah Pearce were convicted on multiple charges, including robbery, conspiracy to commit robbery, kidnapping, conspiracy to commit kidnapping, aggravated battery and aiding and abetting attempted first-degree murder.

John Wurdemann and Sanchez were given multiple life sentences. Pearce was given a life sentence, but she can ask for parole after serving 15 years.

Kenneth Wurdemann was the only one of the four not to maintain his innocence. He pleaded guilty to charges of robbery and aggravated assault, and testified for the

prosecution in the Sanchez trial. Wurdemann was later called a defense witness for Pearce, and told a jury he didn't think she was the woman involved in the attack on LeBrane. The jury found Pearce guilty. Kenneth Wurdemann was eventually given a 13-year sentence with 10 years fixed.

Living without Fear

Wurdemann must pay \$47,000 in restitution to LeBrane, who said she has not received any of that money. LeBrane lost her job and home following the attack and said she hopes to start getting some of that money she's owed once Wurdemann is released from prison and gets a job.

LeBrane told the Statesman she has spent the past 12 years trying to stay positive and will work hard to maintain that attitude even though Wurdemann is about to leave prison.

"I am trying to live without fear," she said. "That is one of my goals."



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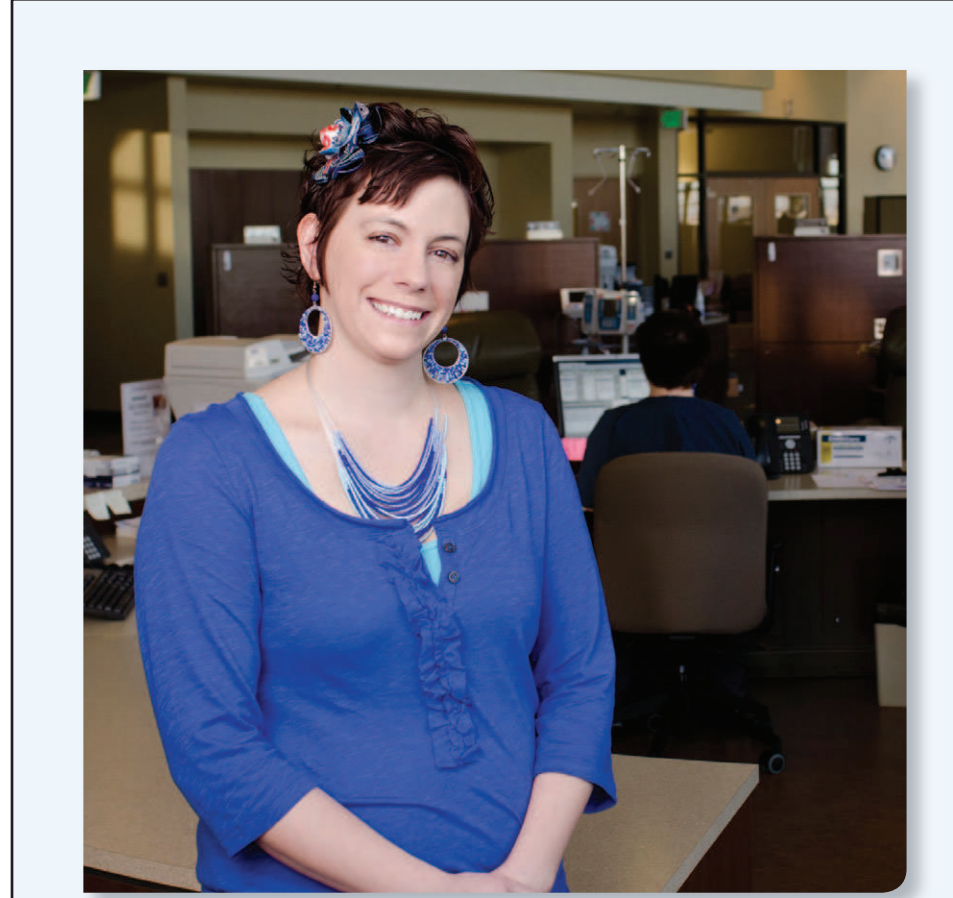
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House Speaker Denney Wanders the Heath

Recent stumbles put his aim to tie the record for longest-serving speaker in peril.

House Speaker Lawrence Denney plans to gather his 57-member Republican caucus this week to make amends for his botched attempt at firing Dolores Crow, a woman he calls "an institution."

"I'll probably just apologize if I made any of them uncomfortable and explain kind of what I did and why," Denney told me Thursday. "That's probably about it."

The Midvale Republican's misstep is by no means the first in a 6-year reign. The blowback has been more intense because it included revered former Gov. Phil Batt, who said Denney sullied the redistricting process by introducing rank partisanship to a reformed system approved by voters in 1994.

But there's a far greater force at play than a publicity snafu over trying to force Crow from the redistricting commission.

Lawrence Denney is playing King Lear. Instead of three daughters he can't figure out, he has three ambitious men who aspire to the throne and don't want to wait until 2014 to be crowned. House Majority Leader Mike Moyle of Star, Assistant Majority Leader Scott Bedke of Oakley and GOP Caucus Chairman Ken Roberts of Donnelly seek to rise after the 2012 election.

"They're all ambitious and I can't fault them for that," Denney said. "That's part of who they are. That's part of why they're here."

Distinguishing treachery from love — a task that drove Lear to madly rage through English storm and shrubland — leaves Denney sounding resigned to his fate. He intends to run for a fourth term as speaker in December, but sounds OK with losing and returning to service as an ordinary representative.

"I'm not here to be somebody," he said. "It might actually be kind of good because I haven't had an opportunity to work on legislation. I'm not real comfortable any more being on the floor presenting a bill. If I'm wrong and the caucus thinks I'm totally wrong, I'm willing to accept that."

That may sound weak, but Denney's passive style has long been an anomaly in a House accustomed to dominating speakers like Tom Stivers, Tom Boyd, Mike Simpson and Bruce Newcomb, who holds the longevity mark for speakers at eight years.

Denney's handdog attitude should spare him when he faces his peers behind closed doors. My guess: They'll warmly accept his contrition.

But this miscalculation has the feel of a last straw, freeing Denney's underlings to openly flash their ambition.

Bedke made a point of telling reporters he wasn't consulted about the plan hatched by Denney and outgoing Idaho GOP Chairman Norm Semanko to can Crow and another former House member, Randy Hansen.

Bedke said minutes be-

Dan Popkey

The Idaho Statesman

fore the Idaho Supreme Court rejected Denney and Semanko's gambit. "If I had been, I would have expressed some reluctance about going down this road."

Roberts, also left out, said, "In hindsight, it would have been better to have had more communication with our caucus."

Roberts protested that he's not part of any court intrigue: "Don't play the card that I want to be speaker. I mean, someday down the road."

Moyle was the second member of leadership aware of the plan, having attended meetings with Denney and Semanko. Denney explained that Moyle "just happened to be here," while Bedke and Roberts "weren't here," a perfect example of Denney's ad hoc style.

Moyle defended Denney for trying to jettison Crow, but to hear him tell it there's a different story than the hamhanded account we've heard. Moyle said she didn't keep the speaker apprised of the commission's work in October, when it wrote a legislative map later rejected by the Supreme Court. "If you have people that are doing harm to the whole, then you replace them," he said.

After 24 years in the House, a lifetime as a GOP activist and a fabled foe of tax hikes, Crow was immune to claims she abandoned her party. "Dolores is the most Republican of Republicans," said Rep. Mack Shirley, R-Rexburg. "Good grief!"

Shirley, passed over by Denney as Education Committee chairman, may harbor resentment. But Rep. Steve Thayne, R-Emmett, a key vote in making Denney speaker six years ago, also is critical, saying, "I wouldn't have handled it that way."

In our talk, Denney was gracious and open. Though still miffed at Crow, he said, "I would hope that after this is all over we could still be friends." Crow still sounds angry, saying she never heard from Denney, either. Denney said he left an oral request with Hansen to have Crow contact him, but Hansen said he doesn't recall the request.

After 14 years in leadership, Denney admits to wonder at his rise. "I didn't aspire to be speaker or even in leadership. I'm probably the least likely of all four of us to get out there and be the hard pusher to be speaker."

Denney's office walls are hung with animal pelts, while a portrait of his grandkids rests on the carpet. "My wife thinks I should redecorate, take the hides down," he mused. "My grandkids sit on the floor while I got hides on the wall."

Denney's larger family of Republicans may well have a more ambitious makeover in mind — to depose a king of the House who has too often, like poor Lear, played the fool.

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Fast Ride

Kaydn Stewart, 5, plays with his remote control ATV in the Canyon Crest Dining and Event Center parking lot Saturday in Twin Falls.



DREW NASH • TIMES-NEWS

W. IDAHO MAN PLEADS GUILTY AFTER TODDLER DROWNS

BOISE (AP) • A western Idaho man has pleaded guilty to misdemeanor injury to a child after a 2-year-old girl drowned when the man's boat sank.

The Idaho Statesman reports that 22-year-old Andrew Pevler of Emmett pleaded guilty Friday in 3rd District Court in Washington County.

Authorities say Pevler took a group fishing on June 3 on the Snake River.

Investigators say he had someone drop anchor in the river and the current pulled the boat's bow into the water.

Twenty-year-old Ryker Hooper and his 2-year-old daughter, Emma, drowned. The girl wasn't wearing a Coast Guard-approved life vest.

Idaho law requires children under 14 in small boats to wear a personal flotation device, and the captain of the boat is responsible for enforcing the rule.

Pevler is scheduled to be sentenced Tuesday.

Small Wash. Town to Track Gunshots in Effort to Nail Gangs

Law enforcement officials are working harder with schools and parents to address the vexing problem of rural violence largely attributed to Hispanic gangs.

BY SHANNON DININNY
Associated Press

QUINCY, Wash. • Dozens of people had gathered for a family reunion at a modest home in this small farm town last September, when a gang member walked down the sidewalk and fired a shot into the air.

Junior Munoz immediately confronted the shooter because there were children attending the family party. An argument ensued, and minutes later, Munoz lay dying in the street from a gunshot to the chest.

His death marked the third gang-related fatality in nine months in this rural city and served as yet another reminder of the gang violence invading farm towns tucked amid Northwest orchards and fields.

Nearly two-dozen slayings last year were believed to be related to gang activity east of the Cascade Range, which divides the bustling metropolitan regions in western Washington and Oregon from largely agriculture-driven cities and towns.

In Quincy, the murder of Munoz also marked a turning point for city officials, who agreed to pay \$130,000 for a software program that will trace gunshots to the spot where they were fired — a popular tool in the fight against gun violence from Washington D.C. to Rio de Janeiro, but a relatively new weapon for law enforcement in a region where gunshots are just as likely to be fired by bird hunters.

"If we had heard that first shot fired, we would have been there," Quincy Police Chief Richard Ackerman said, expressing the possibility that Munoz might have been saved if the technology had been in use.

"What price do you put on a life?"

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once traveled to the region for work have since settled in small and mid-size towns, laboring in the fields, processing plants or packing sheds.

The violence in rural America largely attributed to Hispanic gangs isn't new, Ackerman acknowledged. But law enforcement officials are more aware of the

vexing problem and are working harder to address it with schools and parents, who work long hours and often fail to recognize the danger of these new "friends," he said.

"They put a wet blanket over your sense of safety and security," Ackerman said. "We try to do everything we can within the law to control them."

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Another Mistrial Declared in Sex Abuse Case

BY KEITH KINNAIRD
Bonner County Daily Bee

SANDPOINT • Another mistrial has been declared in the case of a Bonner County attorney accused of molesting an underage girl, according to U.S. District Court documents.

A federal jury in San Diego could not agree on the guilt or innocence of David Charles Jacquot. A mistrial was declared on Thursday, court documents indicate.

"Four people couldn't make up their mind and eight people wanted to convict," said Gordon Hodge, a government witness who is convinced of Jacquot's guilt.

It's the second time jurors have deadlocked in Jacquot's case. A mistrial was declared last October due to a hung jury, clearing

the way for another trial this month.

It's unclear if Jacquot, 49, will be retried a third time. Hodge said it's up to the alleged victim and federal prosecutors to decide whether to seek a third trial against Jacquot, who is also facing federal tax fraud charges in southern California.

As with the first trial, it attracted no attention from the media in San Diego.

Jacquot was indicted by a grand jury in 2010, after a mysterious fire destroyed his home in Vay. The fire occurred shortly after the alleged victim told authorities she had been molested by Jacquot over an extended period of time.

Jacquot's wife and son were in the home when the fire started, according to court documents. Jacquot was found in an adjacent field and had no soot on

him, prosecutors said.

Jacquot was charged taking the girl to San Diego on several occasions in 2006 for the purposes of criminal sexual activity. She was between the ages of 15 and 16 at the time.

Jacquot has vigorously denied the allegations and the defense argued at trial that they were maliciously fabricated by the teen.

After the first mistrial, the defense moved to keep a host of incriminating evidence from being heard by jurors. The defense sought to block testimony of the suspicious fire, pornographic materials and evidence of ongoing molestation.

"So much has been excluded," Hodge said of the evidence kept from jurors.

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Production Jump Could Help Idaho's Lagging Milk Prices

Saddled with prices well short of the national average, Idaho dairymen look to the expansion and specialization of Gem State milk production as a potential source of relief.

BY CINDY SNYDER
For the Times-News

TWIN FALLS • For all the shifts in Idaho's milk industry over the past 20 years, one constant has remained: low prices for producers.

Scott Brown, a livestock economist with the University of Missouri, has found a growing rift between what Idaho

dairymen are paid and what their counterparts in the rest of the U.S. receive.

Idaho producers were paid about 40 cents less below the national average per 100 pounds of milk in 2009. Late last year, that gap yawned out to nearly \$2.

Brown says 2011 represented a recovery year for the nation's dairies, as stronger milk prices helped them cover higher feed and transport costs while leaving enough left to pay off debt incurred during the prolonged downturn that began in 2009. But the story wasn't as sweet in the Gem State.

"It's clear that the rest of the country has been in a recovery at a faster rate than Idaho," Brown said. "2011 was a much better year than 2010, yet Idaho

producers are not nearly as optimistic as their counterparts are."

Growth Fuels Deficit

The dairy industry's growth has been a key contributor to Idaho's lagging milk prices. While the state's dairy herd remained fairly stable from the mid-1960s through 1990 at between 169,000-179,000 cows, the state's herd reached 574,000 head by January 2011.

Idaho now accounts for a bit more than 7 percent of the nation's milk supply, up from 5.5 percent in 2005. While it may seem counterintuitive, every 1 percent increase in the amount of U.S. milk

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VEGAS CASINOS RELYING MORE ON BACCARAT

Big-time gamblers are flocking to Las Vegas to play baccarat, helping the game surpass blackjack in terms of casino revenue and the game now represents nearly 60 percent of the MGM Grand's table games revenue for the past year.

BY OSKAR GARCIA
Associated Press

LAS VEGAS • In the days before the Chinese New Year celebration began this week, six high rollers sat down at the private baccarat tables one day at the MGM Grand in Las Vegas and began throwing down wagers of \$100,000 to \$200,000 a hand. It was a scene hardly out of place these days in Sin City.

Big-time gamblers, primarily from Asia, are flocking to Las Vegas to play baccarat and providing a big lift to the overall bottom line of the city's casinos.

Baccarat has easily surpassed blackjack in terms of casino revenue in Las Vegas and now represents nearly 60 percent of the MGM Grand's table games revenue over the past year. It's especially popular this week with tens of thousands of tourists from Asia in town to celebrate the Chinese New Year.

"For us to make money in gaming today without baccarat is almost impossible," said Debra Nutton, senior vice president of casino operations at the MGM Grand hotel-casino. "We need the big whales to make money."

In Las Vegas parlance, a "whale" is a big-time gambler who easily wagers more in one night at the tables than most American families make in a year. Casinos cater to them with plush, secluded gambling salons inside the top casinos — with baccarat games that often start out at a minimum \$10,000 per hand.

The whales typically favor baccarat — a game romanticized in James Bond flicks and highly popular in Macau and Singapore.

The game is built on a simple premise: Who will end up with a better hand, the player or the banker? Gamblers are dealt two cards and predict whether they will beat the banker, typically a position that rotates among the players at the table. Smaller tables, known as midi-baccarat, start at \$100 limits and look more like large blackjack tables, skipping the rotating banker and leaving that role to the dealer. Even smaller-limit tables are called mini-baccarat.

Nevada figures show that during the 12 months ending Nov. 30, casinos statewide won \$1.27 billion from baccarat players, with the game offered at 258 total tables in 24 casinos. Blackjack, meanwhile, pulled in just \$1.03 billion — even though it was offered across 2,810 tables in 151 casinos.

While casinos hope to pocket 12 percent of the money wagered on baccarat, the large amounts played in fewer bets mean big swings in revenue quarter to quarter, depending on how lucky the gamblers are.

Slots are still the most popular and lucrative form of gambling in Nevada, with nearly 165,000 machines over 330 locations including

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(ABOVE) A view of the iconic Tower Bridge over the river Thames, right, and The Shard, left, Tuesday. (BOTTOM) A view of The Shard, a newly-constructed high-rise building in London, seen through an outdoor art installation Tuesday.

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U.K.'s Tallest Building Adds Drama to London's Sky

The Shard is the tallest building in western Europe and looks like a slice of glass balancing on the edge of the city's financial district.

BY MEERA SELVA
Associated Press

LONDON • Passengers stepping out of London Bridge tube station cannot help but crane their necks to gaze at the jagged tower under construction: The Shard is the tallest building in the European Union and looks

like a slice of glass balanced on the edge of the financial district.

When the tower opens next year, visitors to the observation deck will see helicopters fly by at eye level and take in the metropolis all the way to the distant north Downs Hills. The structure designed by

renowned Italian architect Renzo Piano dwarfs nearby landmarks like Tower Bridge and St. Paul's Cathedral across the Thames.

The ambitious project speaks of now faded boom times: 1.5 billion pound (\$2.34 billion) price tag, fancy restaurants, corporate office space, posh hotel. But it is being completed as Britain and Europe totter on the brink of recession — and the

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Annual Agri-Action Expo Nears

TIMES-NEWS

TWIN FALLS • The KMTV Agri-Action 2012 farm expo will be held Thursday-Saturday at the College of Southern Idaho's Eldon Evans Expo Center in Twin Falls.

The annual expo, in its 35th year, includes exhibits from a wide selection of agricultural products and services ranging from tractor and implement displays to chemical and seed dealers. A variety of seminars will also be held Thursday.

The show runs from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Thursday and Friday, and 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday. Admission is \$1, with children age 6 and under admitted free. Admission will be waived for those who donate at least two nonperishable food items to the Western States Cat "Dump Hunger" campaign. The food will go to South Central Community Action Partnership.

Seminars

Here's a list of seminars provided at this week's Agri-Action Expo. Each Thursday seminar will count as one credit for recertification training for Idaho pesticide license holders.

- Thursday**
10:30 a.m. • "Rodent control: controlling gophers, voles and ground squirrels," by Sherman Takatori, Idaho State Department of Agriculture program manager
1 p.m. • "Pesticide spills: what businesses and organizations need to know," by Takatori
2:30 p.m. • "The label is the law, sometimes: Interpreting modern pesticide labels," by Takatori
Friday
11 a.m. • Idaho Power's energy efficiency programs

After 70 Years, Right-to-work Impact Still Unclear

BY TOM LOBIANCO
Associated Press

INDIANAPOLIS • The battle over the right-to-work issue may be reaching a conclusion in Indiana as the state prepares to adopt its law, but the argument over exactly what the measure means for a state's economy is likely to rage on, unresolved, as it has for 70 years.

Since the 1940s, 22 states, including Idaho, have passed laws barring unions from collecting mandatory fees from workers for labor representation. Supporters, mostly Republicans, insist the measure helps create a pro-business climate that attracts employers and increases jobs. Opponents say the law only leads to lower wages and poorer quality jobs.

The evidence on the issue is abundant, but also conflicting and murky. The clearest conclusion, according to many experts, is that the economies of states respond to a mix of factors, ranging from the swings in the national economy to demographic

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YOUR BUSINESS

Blush Floral Boutique Opening in Twin Falls

TWIN FALLS • Blush Floral, a new Twin Falls floral boutique, has opened at 1982 Addison Ave. E., in the Zulu complex across from Smith's. Hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. weekdays and Saturday by appointment; special deliveries and pick-ups are available.



Carr

Owner Chandra Carr says Blush Floral is no ordinary florist. "Here you will find no fill, no fluff, just gorgeous blooms, berries, twigs and more."

The shop specializes in creating personalized flowers infused with an individual's style. "There are two things Blush loves the most: a romantic wedding and a great party," Carr said. It offers unique floral designs and everyday delivery for special events.

Carr says the shop prides itself on being local. From May to October, most of its flowers are grown in the valley. Recycled products, from vases made of recycled glass to biodegradable ribbons, are used wherever possible. The shop also participates in local farmer's markets, offering gourmet wrapped bouquets.



COURTESY PHOTO

Pictured, from left, Phil Cooke, Julie Klunt, Pat Brownfield, Vicki Cole, Sonny Silva and Jessica Laraway cut the red ribbon with Twin Falls Area Chamber of Commerce ambassadors to celebrate the start of 2012 Relay for Life events.

American Cancer Society Kicks Off Relay For Life

TWIN FALLS • The American Cancer Society's local 2012 Relay for Life relay team and Twin Falls Area Chamber of Commerce ambassadors kicked off local 2012 Relay for Life events with a red ribbon cutting celebration at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Twin Falls.

Relay for Life 2012 will be held May 18-19 at the Twin Falls County Fairgrounds in Filer.

Event organizers hope to raise awareness, celebrate cancer survivors, and honor those who have lost the fight. Money raised goes cancer research. The goal is to sign up 75 teams and raise \$220,000. Information: 732-0013.

Morgado Promoted to Consumer Loan Officer at D.L. Evans

JEROME • John V. Evans Sr., president of D.L. Evans Bank, announced the promotion of Cindy Morgado to Mortgage and Consumer Loan officer at the Jerome branch, 980 S. Lincoln Ave.



Morgado

Morgado graduated in 2006 from the Western School of Commercial Lending in Reno, Nev. She has worked with D.L. Evans Bank for 14 years, during which she held many positions, including operations officer, consumer loan officer and commercial loan officer.

She is a lifetime Idaho resident active in the community as a board member for the Special Olympics of Idaho, a member of Rotary International, a Jerome Chamber of Commerce ambassador and a volunteer for a local soup kitchen.

She was local Kiwanis president from 2003-04, received the Extra Mile Award from the Jerome Chamber in 2003 and received its Ambassador of the Year Award in 2008. She also volunteers for other community projects.

Anderson Earns Top Performer in 2011

TWIN FALLS • Gem State Paper & Supply announced that John Anderson was the top sales performer in 2011.



Anderson

Anderson's customers in Gooding, Wendell and Twin Falls helped him earn this award, outperforming 17 other sales representatives based in Twin Falls, Boise, Pocatello and Elko, Nev.

Cassia Regional Medical Center Earns Gold Seal

BURLEY • Cassia Regional Medical Center in Burley has earned The Joint Commission's Gold Seal of Approval for accreditation by demonstrating compliance with national standards for health care quality and safety in hospitals. The accreditation award recognizes Cassia Regional's dedication to continuous compliance with Joint Commission standards.

Cassia Regional underwent a rigorous, unannounced onsite survey in September 2011. A team of Joint Commission surveyors evaluated Cassia Regional for compliance with standards of care specific to patient needs, including infection prevention and control, leadership and medication management.

The Joint Commission's hospital standards address functions relating to patient care and hospital management. The standards are developed in consultation with health care experts, providers, measurement experts and patients. Learn more about The Joint Commission at www.jointcommission.org.

Milk Prices

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that comes from Idaho drops the price Idaho dairymen receive approximately 27 cents per hundredweight below the national price, Brown said.

Since Idaho milk is primarily going to commodity cheese companies that have traditionally paid through a system based on cheese yield, Gem State dairymen haven't benefitted from the steadily rising price of whey, a key byproduct of cheese manufacturing.

Accounting for byproducts when pricing milk would improve Idaho's prices. Jerome Cheese Co. announced in late 2011 plans to move to a system that puts a significant value in whey, bringing it in line with other area milk buyers. It also recently renovated its facility to add a line for mozzarella, a more valuable product than commodity cheese.

According to the Idaho Dairymen's Association, Twin Falls-based Glanbia Foods is Idaho's largest milk buyer, consuming nearly 31 percent of the state's production. But according to IDA, Glanbia has yet to make a significant increase to its pur-

chase price. A Jan. 10 letter to producers states pricing changes are expected in April.

Until then, Glanbia's producers are eyeing an average price of \$2.10 per hundredweight less than other local dairymen for non-contracted milk. Glanbia's prices, along with forecasts that put dairies in the red for the first quarter of 2012, are an IDA concern.

Feed Changes Everything

Idaho milk producers say feed prices boosted by Midwestern drought have been especially brutal. Feed costs now account to more than 60 percent of the costs on a dairy, up from 40 to 50 percent just a few years ago.

"That 10 percent plus is a big number," said Mike Roth, whose family owns both White Clover and Si-Ellen dairies in Jerome County. Twenty years ago, when the dairy industry first began to expand, Idaho had surplus hay and corn silage production. But changes in the agricultural economy, ranging from a resurgent sugar beet industry to increased grain corn acres, mean fewer acres of hay.

When hay was plentiful —

and cheap — dairies could be paid less for their milk and still remain profitable. The economic fallout of 2009 means that's no longer true. "We've lost our competitive feed advantage," said Roth.

As Roth looks to the next five to 10 years, he believes the industry will shift from commodity-based production to more specialty production. The new Chobani Greek yogurt plant in Twin Falls, paired with other Magic Valley milk processors making products ranging from Swiss cheese to milk protein concentrate, are examples of how the industry is shifting.

While he believes milk production will continue to grow within the state, the years of exponential growth are likely over. "It costs money to grow," Roth points out. And servicing the debt load on many dairies in southern Idaho already costs between

80 cents and \$1.30 per hundredweight.

Competition Needed

While Idaho's growth in milk production has been on a steady rise, processing capability hasn't kept pace. The presence of excess milk production has contributed to the price gap Idaho producers are seeing. The Chobani plant, coupled with Jerome Cheese's new mozzarella line and other similar changes, is expected to help absorb the surplus production.

Brown's wish list includes more competition for Idaho milk. "The price Idaho producers are paid is of critical importance," he said. "If things continue as they have been in Idaho, producers will get rid of the excess milk production capacity based on economic signals being sent today. It will take time to occur, but it will occur."

The Shard

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Shard will loom over a city in decline.

Neighbors are hoping the dramatic tower, visible from most parts of London, will bring big spenders to its south-of-the-river location, for centuries the less prosperous side of the Thames.

"I like the design, I like the promise. I think it's going to blast this neighborhood out of the water," said Cherille McNeil-Halward, 71, who runs a picture framing shop a few minutes away from the Shard. "This tower will bring people with money to spend here, and that's got to be a good thing."

There is no question that the Shard is a riveting addition to the traditionally low-rise London skyline. But some complain it dominates the view, obscuring sights such as St. Paul's impressive dome.

The developer Irvine Sellar sees the project as a symbol of London's status as a world city. The 72-floor, 1,016-foot tall building is designed by an Italian, financed by the Qatar government, and the Chinese hotel group Shangri-La were the first tenants to sign up.

"We want this building to be a building Londoners will feel ownership of," said Sellar. "You can eat there, you can work there, you can sleep there. And you can see the view from there."

The building's exterior will be finished in June but it is unlikely to open until early next year. It will open in a truly historic neighborhood, close to the Tower of London, Shakespeare's Globe, and Borough Market.

In fact, the ultra-modern Shard sits at the edge of ancient London. The first Ro-

man settlement Londinium was nearby on the banks of the Thames. Charles Dickens' "Little Dorrit" was set in the streets behind the Shard.

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Right-to-work

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trends, and that isolating the impact of right-to-work is nearly impossible.

Obscuring the answer is “the difficulty of distinguishing the effects of the RTW laws from state characteristics, as well as other state policies that are unrelated with these laws,” said economists Ozkan Eren and Serkan Ozbeklik, who conducted a major study last year of the right-to-work laws in Oklahoma and Idaho.

For major industries, the chief factors in choosing locations tend to be access to supplies, infrastructure, key markets and a skilled work force, according to business recruitment specialists. For a state’s workers, the impact of right-to-work is limited because only about 7 percent of private sector employees are unionized. Over the years, job growth has surged in states with, and without, right-to-work laws.

On right to work, “The reason we don’t have clear views is because it’s always being debated at its extremes,” said Gary Chaison, a professor of labor relations at Clark University in Massachusetts, who assigns his students to analyze the issue each year. In the end, when it comes to jobs and the law, “We don’t know causation,” he said.

The Indiana Legislature is expected to complete action on its measure soon. However, the larger debate will continue, focusing on arguments including whether right-to-work brings more jobs to a state.

According to a study commissioned by Indiana’s Chamber of Commerce, which supports the right-to-work law, employment grew 100 percent in right-to-work states between 1977 and 2008 but only 57 percent in those without the law.

Proponents point to an immediate impact in Oklahoma, which adopted the measure in 2001. In 2002, the state added 7,822 jobs, said Fred Morgan, president of the Oklahoma Chamber of Commerce.

“In 2002, the Oklahoma Department of Commerce reported that companies announced plans to add the highest number of new jobs since 1995,” Morgan said.

However, the chamber study does not account for significant factors affecting employment in the period cited. A massive decline in American manufacturing had a severe impact on jobs in the Rust Belt, where states without right-to-work are clustered. The Sunbelt, where most states have the law, had fewer manufacturing jobs to lose and also experienced big increases in population.

In Oklahoma, the job gains after right to work also were not unusual in the region. Three neighboring states without a right-to-work law — Missouri, New Mexico and Colorado — experienced similar job growth, in some cases even exceeding Oklahoma’s. Several major employers shut down in Oklahoma City, including Gulfstream Aerospace in 2002 and Bridgestone Firestone in 2006.

Other factors affecting businesses may play a larger role on job growth in right-to-work states, Eren and Ozbeklik’s study concluded. Many have “higher subsidies for new factories, low taxes on capital and weaker environmental/safety regulations,” they said. In Oklahoma and Idaho, “it is not likely that RTW laws have any impact on manufacturing employment rate.”

The chamber study also argues that right-to-work boosts a state’s population by making it a more popular place to live and work. Between 2000 and 2009, 4.9 million Americans left non-right-to-work states for those with the law, according to the study. However, the study offered no evidence on other causes for the population shifts.



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Baccarat dealer Ramiro Nepomuceno shuffles cards while preparing a table for play at the MGM Hotel and Casino, Wednesday in Las Vegas.

Baccarat

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supermarket, gas stations and airports.

Baccarat has been the most lucrative table game since 2009, and has been increasing its share since then, according to an analysis of gambling revenues by Dave Schwartz, director of the Center for Gaming Research at the University of Nevada, Las Vegas.

That’s even though the game isn’t widely offered, he said.

“The real high-end play is happening in maybe six or seven casinos,” Schwartz said.

As Americans struggled during the Great Recession, Las Vegas casinos have worked harder to increase tourism from wealthy international visitors, especially Asians. Their game of choice, casinos say, is baccarat.

The MGM Grand is among those Strip casinos counting on their highest of high rollers coming to town this weekend for the Chinese New Year. Nutton said her casino could double the number of baccarat tables during the Chinese New Year and still be busy.

In addition to private flights and luxury accommodations, Nutton said casinos around Las Vegas attract baccarat play year-round by offering high-roller tournaments with million-dollar prize pools.

One three-day tournament held at the MGM Grand’s mansion casino in early October cost \$5,000 to enter and offered the winner \$750,000, seven others at least \$10,000 each, all participants a brand new tablet computer and a drawing among finalists for a 2012 BMW convertible.

Similar tournaments run several times a year around Sin City, Nutton said, in hopes that entrants will also play on their own and come back to each particular casino again.

Wynn Resorts Ltd. and Las Vegas Sands Corp., which run two casinos each on the Las Vegas Strip, derive the majority of their revenue from Asia, where baccarat is the undisputed king of games.

Caesars Entertainment Corp., which owns or manages 52 casinos in 12 U.S. states and seven countries, reported \$6.66 billion in revenue from baccarat during the first 9 months of 2011. Over the same time, Sands —

with four casino-resorts in baccarat-heavy Asia and three in the United States — beat that with \$6.87 billion.

The casinos are fiercely competing for a relatively small number of players who can afford five- or six-figure bets, Nutton said.

“There’s only that select universe,” she said.

Schwartz said that if casinos become more dependent on baccarat’s bottom line, they’re in for less predictable results. From 2004 to 2010, baccarat showed to have the

biggest variance among casino games in its hold percentage, the amount of money casinos keep from the amount wagered.

Hold is generally governed by complex math, designed so gamblers slowly lose money and the house always wins overall.

Between 2004 and 2010, the average hold for baccarat was 11.7 percent, but casinos statewide saw monthly hold for the game as high as 19.5 percent or as low as 3.6 percent.

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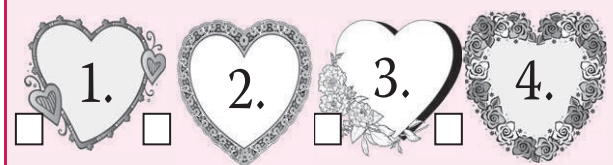


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Oakland Police Arrest More than 100 Occupy Protesters

LOS ANGELES TIMES

OAKLAND, Calif. • Police faced off Saturday afternoon with hundreds of Occupy movement protesters, arresting more than a hundred of them during a much-anticipated demonstration focused on the planned takeover of a vacant downtown convention center. In anticipation of Saturday's action, police in riot gear were at the ready and city officials had attempted to redirect Occupy sympathizers by encouraging them to "get involved with any one of the hundreds of organizations dedicated to feeding the hungry, fighting for fair and accessible housing, enhancing literacy, serving children or improving the livability of our community." They even released a list of organizations. But a group that numbered about

300 at an initial rally near City Hall swelled to more than 500 by 2 p.m. and marched toward the vacant Henry J. Kaiser Convention Center. Under a cloudless blue sky, demonstrators began tearing down the fencing around the auditorium, and police moved to stop them. By 3 p.m., an area to the west near the Oakland Museum of California was declared an illegal assembly as a thick line of riot-clad officers attempted to disperse the protesters. Police fired tear gas and flash grenades, and some demonstrators responded by throwing rocks and bottles, according to media reports. A number of arrests occurred when demonstrators "ignored the dispersal order and assaulted officers," police said. Three officers were reported in-



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Oakland police use smoke and tear gas to stop Occupy Oakland protesters marching through downtown Oakland, Calif., Saturday.

jured, but no details were released about the injuries. After demonstrators failed to take over the convention center, dozens ran into the YMCA, where police moved in and began making additional arrests.

Romney Would Rank Among the Richest Presidents Ever

BY CONNIE CASS
Associated Press

WASHINGTON • Just how rich is Mitt Romney? Add up the wealth of the last eight presidents, from Richard Nixon to Barack Obama. Then double that number. Now you're in Romney territory. He would be among the richest presidents in American history if elected — probably in the top four. He couldn't top George Washington who, with nearly 60,000 acres and more than 300 slaves, is considered the big daddy of presidential wealth. After that, it gets complicated, depending how you rate Thomas Jefferson's plantation, Herbert Hoover's millions from mining or John F. Kennedy's share of the vast family fortune, as well as the finer points of factors like inflation adjustment.

But it's safe to say the Roosevelts had nothing on Romney, and the Bushes are nowhere close. The former Massachusetts governor has disclosed only the broad outlines of his wealth, putting it somewhere from \$190 million to \$250 million. That easily could make him 50 times richer than Obama, who falls in the still-impressive-to-most-of-us range of \$2.2 million to \$7.5 million. "I think it's almost hard to conceptualize what \$250 million means," said Shamus Khan, a Columbia University sociologist who studies the wealthy. "People say Romney made \$50,000 a day while not working last year. What do you do with all that money? I can't even imagine spending it. Well, maybe..." Of course, an unbelievable boatload of bucks is just one way to think of Romney's net worth, and the 44 U.S. presidents make up a pretty small pond for him to swim in. Put alongside America's 400 or so billionaires, Romney wouldn't make a ripple. So here's a look where Romney's riches rank — among the most flush Americans, the White House contenders, and the rest of us:

- **Within the 1 Percent:** "Romney is small potatoes compared with the ultra-wealthy," said Jeffrey Winters, a political scientist at Northwestern University who studies the nation's elites. After all, even in the rarefied world of the top 1 percent, there's a big difference between life at the top and at the bottom. A household needs to bring in roughly \$400,000 per year to make the cut. Romney and his wife, Ann, have been making 50 times that — more than \$20 million a year. In 2009, only 8,274 federal tax filers had income above \$10 million. Romney is solidly within that elite 0.006 percent of all U.S. taxpayers.
- **As a Potential President:** Romney clearly stands out here. America's super rich generally don't jockey to live in the White House. A few have toyed with the idea, most notably New York Mayor Michael Bloomberg, whom Forbes ranks as the 12th richest American, worth \$19.5 billion. A lesser billionaire, Ross Perot, bankrolled his own third-party campaigns in 1992 and 1996. Many presidents weren't particularly well-off, especially 19th century leaders such as Abraham Lincoln, James Buchanan and Ulysses S. Grant. Nor was the 33rd president, Harry Truman. "These things ebb and flow," said sociologist Khan. "It's not the case that all presidents were always rich."



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Stephanie King holds a photo of her uncle, Col. Stephen Scott, who was killed in Iraq in 2008, as she prepares to participate in a parade to honor Iraq War veterans Saturday in St. Louis.

St. Louis Hosts First Big Parade on Iraq War's End

Borne out of a simple conversation between two friends a month ago, Saturday's event was the nation's first big welcome-home for veterans of the war since the last troops were withdrawn from Iraq.

BY JIM SALTER
Associated Press

ST. LOUIS • Looking around at the tens of thousands of people waving American flags and cheering, Army Maj. Rich Radford was moved that so many braved a cold January wind Saturday in St. Louis to honor people like him: Iraq War veterans. The parade, borne out of a simple conversation between two St. Louis friends a month ago, was the nation's first big welcome-home for veterans of the war since the last troops were withdrawn from Iraq in December. "It's not necessarily overdue, it's just the right thing," said Radford, a 23-year Army veteran who walked in the parade alongside his 8-year-old daughter, Aimee, and 12-year-old son, Warren. Radford was among about 600 veterans, many dressed in camouflage, who walked along downtown streets lined with rows of people clapping and holding signs with messages including "Welcome Home" and "Thanks to our Service Men and Women." Some of the war-torn veterans wiped away tears as they acknowledged the support from a crowd that organizers estimated reached 100,000 people.

Fire trucks with aerial ladders hoisted huge American flags in three different places along the route, with politicians, marching bands — even the Budweiser Clydesdales — joining in. But the large crowd was clearly there to salute men and women in the military, and people cheered wildly as groups of veterans walked by. That was the hope of organizers Craig Schneider and Tom Appelbaum. Neither man has served in the military but came up with the idea after noticing there had been little fanfare for returning Iraq War veterans aside from gatherings at airports and military bases. No ticker-tape parades or large public celebrations. Appelbaum, an attorney, and Schneider, a school district technical coordinator, decided something needed to be done. So they sought donations, launched a Facebook page, met with the mayor and mapped a route. The grassroots effort resulted in a huge turnout despite raising only about \$35,000 and limited marketing. That marketing included using a photo of Radford being welcomed home from his second tour in Iraq by his then-6-year-old daughter. The girl had reached up, grabbed his hand and said, "I missed you, daddy."

Radford's sister caught the moment with her cellphone camera, and the image graced T-shirts and posters for the parade. Veterans came from around the country, and more than 100 entries — including marching bands, motorcycle groups and military units — signed up ahead of the event, Appelbaum said. Schneider said he was amazed how everyone, from city officials to military organizations to the media, embraced the parade. "It was an idea that nobody said no to," he said. "America was ready for this." All that effort by her hometown was especially touching for Gayla Gibson, a 38-year-old Air Force master sergeant who said she spent four months in Iraq — seeing "amputations, broken bones, severe burns from IEDs" — as a medical technician in 2003. "I think it's great when people come out to support those who gave their lives and put their lives on the line for this country," Gibson said. With 91,000 troops still fighting in Afghanistan, many Iraq veterans could be redeployed — suggesting to some that it's premature to celebrate their homecoming. In New York, for example, Mayor Michael Bloomberg recently said there would be no city parade for Iraq War veterans in the foreseeable future because of objections voiced by military officials.

Arab League Halts Observer Mission Amid Syria Violence

BY BASSEM MROUE and AYA BATRAWY
Associated Press

BEIRUT • The Arab League halted its observer mission in Syria on Saturday because of escalating violence that killed nearly 100 people the past three days, as pro-Assad forces battled dissident soldiers in a belt of suburbs on the eastern edge of Damascus in the most intense fighting yet so close to the capital. The rising bloodshed has added urgency to new attempts by Arab and Western countries to find a resolution to the 10 months of violence that according to the United Nations has killed at least 5,400 people as Assad seeks to crush persistent protests demanding an end to his rule. The United Nations is holding talks on a new resolution on Syria and next week will discuss an Arab peace plan aimed at ending the crisis. But the initiatives face two major obstacles: Damascus' rejection of an Arab peace plan which it says impinges on its sovereignty, and Russia's willingness to use its U.N. Security Council veto to protect Syria from sanctions. Syria's Interior Minister Mohammed Shaar vowed the crackdown would go on, telling families of security members killed in the past months that security forces "will continue their struggle to clean Syria's soil of the outlaws." Government forces launched a heavy assault on a string of suburbs and villages on the eastern outskirts of Damascus, aiming to uproot protesters and dissident soldiers who have joined the opposition, activists said. Troops in tanks and armored personnel carriers attacked the suburbs of Kfar Batna, Saqba, Jisreen and Arbeen, the closest of which lie only a few miles from downtown Damascus, said the Local Coordination Committees activist network and the British-based Syrian Observatory for Human Rights. Dissident troops were fighting back against the attackers, they said. In a nearby suburb, Douma, gunmen ambushed a bus carrying army officers, the state-run news agency SANA, calling the attackers "terrorists." It said seven officers were killed. The assault in the suburbs seemed to be a sign of the growing presence of dissident soldiers closer to the capital. Although the tightly controlled Damascus has been relatively quiet since the uprising began, its outskirts have witnessed intense anti-regime protests and army defectors have become more visible and active in the past few months.

Bikinis Balloon to Fit Burgeoning Bottoms in Brazil

BY JENNY BARCHFIELD
Associated Press

RIO DE JANEIRO • Tall and tan and young and... chunky? The Girl From Ipanema has put on a few pounds, and for many sunbathers on Brazil's beaches the country's iconic itzy-bitsy, teeny-weeny bikini just doesn't suffice anymore. A growing number of bikini manufacturers have woken up to Brazil's thickening waistline and

are reaching out to the ever-expanding ranks of heavy women with new plus-size lines. That's nothing short of a revolution in this most body-conscious of nations, where overweight ladies long had little choice but to hit the beach in comely ensembles of oversized T-shirts and biker shorts. "It used to be bikinis were only in tiny sizes that only skinny girls could fit into. But not everyone is built like a model," said Elisangela

Inez Soares as she sunbathed on Copacabana beach, her oiled-up curves packed into a black size 12 bikini. "Finally, it seems like people are beginning to realize that we're not all Gisele," said the 38-year-old mother of four, referring to willowy Brazilian supermodel Gisele Bundchen. Clothing designer Clarice Rebelatto said her own swimwear-hunting travails prompted her to found Lehona, an exclusively

plus-size beachwear line. "Honestly, the problem went way beyond just bikinis. In Brazil, it used to be that if you were even a little chunky, finding any kind of clothes in the right size was a real problem," said Rebelatto, herself a size 10. "And I thought, 'I'm actually not even that big compared to a lot of women out there, so if I have problems, what are they doing?'" Since its launch in 2010, the line has become a hit.

Beth Christine Larson

Sept. 11, 1945-Jan. 25, 2012

HIGHLAND, Utah • Surrounded by her family, Beth Christine Larson, returned peacefully and with joy back to the arms of a loving Father in Heaven on Wednesday, Jan. 25, 2012.



Beth loved and knew Jesus Christ well and not only taught His gospel in word but also by her example. Her love of gardening, flowers, world travel, literature and books of all kinds were a distant second to the love that she showed for her husband and family. Her legacy will remain alive in each of us as we strive to live up to the example she set.

She was born in Kansas City, Kan., on Sept. 11, 1945, to Glenn Angus Allred and Hazel Lorraine Creek and moved shortly thereafter to Denver, Colo., where she grew up. On June 27, 1967, she was sealed to her husband, Michael LaMar Larson, in the Salt Lake City Temple. Beth was cherished by Mike and was the love of his life. She was a loving and gifted teacher for more than 20 years in the Alpine and Granite School districts, teaching English and drama and also had a special assignment as the teacher of home-bound students.

She was preceded in death by her father, Glenn; and mother-in-law, Marie Busk. She is survived by her mother, Lorraine; husband, Mike; children, Jeff (Tera) Larson, Andy (ShaRee) Larson and Nicole (JB) Armstrong; brother, Eric (Cindy) Allred; sisters, Jill Allred and Gale Creek; and 11 grandchildren.

The funeral will be held at 11 a.m. Tuesday, Jan. 31, at The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 11162 N. Alpine Highway in Highland, Utah. A viewing will be held from 6 to 8 p.m. Monday, Jan. 30, at the Anderson and Sons Mortuary, 49 E. 100 N. in American Fork, Utah, and again from 9:45 to 10:45 a.m. Tuesday at the chapel.

Online memories and condolences may be shared at andersonmortuary.com.

She was always very supportive of the agricultural interests that she and Mike shared in Utah and Wyoming. They moved to Idaho to enjoy the serenity that farm life offered and recently returned to Highland, Utah, to enjoy their retirement. Her love of teaching extended to her love of the gospel and she became known as one of the greatest teachers of Gospel Doctrine.

Condolences may be shared at andersonmortuary.com.

Sherman E. Day

Jan. 2, 1927-Jan. 24, 2012

MERIDIAN • Sherman E. Day of Meridian, Idaho, went fishing in Heaven on Tuesday, Jan. 24, 2012.



Boise, Idaho, and Livingston, Mont.; and four children, Carol (Tony) Stecklein of Meridian, June (Jim) MacArthur of Pocatello, Julie (David) Vincent of Paul and John L. Day of Boise. He is also survived by 14 grandchildren, 14 great-grandchildren and many nieces, nephews and cousins. He was preceded in death by his mother and stepfather, Lillian and Sam Layne; his father and stepmother, Lloyd Oliver (Bus) and Bernadine Day; and two sisters, Marie Byrd and Mary Bales.

He was the only son of Lloyd Oliver (Bus) and Lillian Day. In 1944 while still in high school, Sherman joined the Navy. When he got home after the war, he went to work for Mountain Bell Telephone Company. He married Eileen Elson on June 24, 1949. He always called her his "Best Friend," and she says 62 years "was not enough." Sherman and Eileen lived in many places during their first few years while he worked as a line-man for Mountain Bell. They finally settled in Twin Falls, where he retired after 42 years of service. After retirement, they moved to Meridian. Sherman was an avid bowler, rock hound, hunter and fisherman. He bowled many tournaments, including state and national tournaments.

There will be a graveside service at 2 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 2, at the Idaho State Veterans Cemetery in Boise.

Sherman is survived by his wife, Eileen; a sister, Karen (Arlen) Nelson of

Condolences may be left online at www.cloverdalefuneralhome.com.

Alice Jean Knight

April 22, 1924-Jan. 26, 2012

BOISE • Alice Jean Knight passed away Thursday, Jan. 26, 2012, at the Overland Court Care Center in Boise, Idaho.



served a mission for the church at the Burley Welfare Bean Warehouse.

Alice was born to Marko (Pete) and Ethel Adelene Prentice Corak, April 22, 1924, the sixth of 10 children. Alice grew up in Hollister, Idaho, where her father farmed and had dairy cows.

In their later years, Alice and Newel moved to Boise, Idaho, to be closer to Rosilyn. Alice had a strong testimony that God lives and is mindful of us all, no matter what color, creed or religion and that the Lord listens to all our humble prayers.

Alice married Paul Ross, April 15, 1942. Alice and Paul had a daughter, Rosilyn, and lived in Hansen, Idaho. Alice worked at Idaho Frozen Foods at the time. Their marriage sadly ended in 1962.

Alice is survived by one brother, James David Corak (Bette); her daughter, Rosilyn Joyce Rader (Loran); and Newel's children, Gail Lynn Knight, James Dale Knight (Linda), Michael A Knight (Bonnie) and Alan Jay Knight (Jennifer). Alice had 30 grandchildren. She was preceded in death by Newel's son, Joseph Newel Knight; and two grandsons. We all loved Alice and will miss her.

Alice met and married Newel Lynn Knight, Aug. 30, 1963. She helped to raise his five children from a first marriage. They lived in the Pella area by Burley, Idaho, in a home Newel built.

A graveside service will be held at 2 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 29, at Pella Cemetery on 400 South of Burley.

Loretta Ida Wolters

Feb. 17, 1920-Jan. 27, 2012

TWIN FALLS • Loretta Ida Wolters, 91, of Twin Falls, passed away Friday, Jan. 27, 2012, at the Twin Falls Care Center, with her loving family by her side.



She was born Feb. 17, 1920, in Clover, Idaho, the daughter of Edmond and Mary Ulrich. Loretta attended Clover Lutheran School through eighth grade. On Oct. 16, 1938, she married Arthur Wolters. He preceded her in death in 1994. She was a homemaker who loved embroidery, quilting and baking homemade bread. Loretta volunteered many hours at the Twin Falls Senior Center with "Crazy Quilters." She was a loving mother and grandmother who helped raise many of her grandchildren. They fondly remember many hours playing Kings in the Corner, pinochle and various other games. Family was very important to Loretta, along with her relationship with her Heavenly Father.

Surviving are her children, Ronald (Shirley) Wolters of Post Falls, John (Dorothy) Wolters of Twin

Falls, Larry (Monna) Wolters of Tucson, Ariz., Dwayne (Sherri) Wolters of Twin Falls, Lloyd (Grace) Wolters of Phoenix, Ariz., and Pam (Ken) Drury of Kimberly; brother, Marvin of Heyburn; sister, Enola of Bremerton, Wash.; 21 grandchildren; and two grandchildren.

She will be deeply missed by all who knew and loved her.

Friends may call from 5 to 7 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 31, at Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Road in Twin Falls. The funeral will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 1, at the funeral home.

The family would like to thank the staff at Twin Falls Care Center for the tender love and compassion they showed while caring for Loretta.

Condolences may be left at www.magicvalleyfuneralhome.com or scan the code above.

Arthur Bruns

Dec. 1, 1913-Jan. 26, 2012

JEROME • Arthur Bruns, 98, died Thursday, Jan. 26, 2012, at Visions of Home hospice east of Jerome, Idaho, where he had resided since suffering a stroke early in August.



Arthur was born Dec. 1, 1913, in Pharr, Texas, the son of Johann and Sophie Behrman Bruns. He was baptized into the Christian faith on Dec. 28, 1913. In 1917, Arthur moved with his parents and sister, Marie, to a farm south of Eden, Idaho. He attended schools at Trinity Lutheran Church, where he confirmed his faith on April 10, 1927, and at Eden High School.

sisters-in-law, Ilean Bruns of Eden, Irene Deeg of American Falls and Phyllis Deeg of Pocatello; as well as numerous nieces, nephews and cousins.

Arthur was a faithful and loving husband and father. He had deep, strong faith in the redeeming grace of God. We were blessed to have him with us for so many wonderful years, and give thanks for his rest in Christ Jesus. The family wishes to thank the loving caregivers of Hospice Visions. Memorials are suggested to the Lutheran World Relief.

Arthur's funeral will be at 11 a.m. Wednesday, Feb. 1, at Trinity Lutheran Church, 1602 E. 1100 S. in Eden, with visitation from 5 to 7 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 31, at Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home in Twin Falls, and one hour before the funeral service.

Those who wish to share memories or condolences online may do so at www.magicvalleyfuneralhome.com.

When his father died unexpectedly in 1936, Arthur took over the family farm. He had a lifelong passion for farming, and enjoyed talking about farming with his friend, Herman Martens, and cousin, Gary Meyer.

On Jan. 10, 1954, Arthur married Lena Deeg of American Falls, Idaho. They were the loving parents of two children, John and Nancy. Arthur and Lena celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary in 2004. Lena died in 2009.

In addition to farming, Arthur enjoyed classical music, reading, and keeping in touch with his extended family in Germany. He had a phenomenal memory for family history, and loved sharing memories of long ago. Among his favorite stories were of the summer of 1929, which he spent with relatives in the Bronx, N.Y. One of the highlights was a day in which Arthur, his father and cousin, Ben, saw Babe Ruth, Lou Gehrig and Ty Cobb play in a double-header between the New York Yankees and Cleveland Indians.

Arthur was preceded in death by his wife, Lena; his parents; sister, Marie Schutte; and brother, Edwin. Surviving him is his son, John (Elizabeth) of Eden; his daughter, Nancy (Dwight) of Salt Lake City;

DEATH NOTICES

Jearldine Cannon

GOODING • Jearldine R. "Jerry" Cannon, 79, of Gooding, died Thursday, Jan. 26, 2012, at North Canyon Medical Center in Gooding.

A memorial service will be held at 2:30 p.m. Monday, Jan. 30, at Desert Hills Church of the Nazarene in Gooding; inurnment will be Feb. 18 at Springfield Memorial Cemetery in Springfield, Ore. (Demaray Funeral Service, Gooding Chapel).

SERVICES

Virginia (Hoppe) Brinegar of Meridian and formerly of Burley, service at 10 a.m. Monday at the Meridian United Methodist Church; visitation one hour before the service Monday, with interment at 1 p.m. at the Idaho State Veterans Cemetery (Accent Funeral Home in Meridian).

Boise, funeral at 11 a.m. Monday at the Ebenezer Congregational Church, 129 N. Second W. in Paul (Rasmussen Funeral Home in Burley).

Lloyd Edward Libert of Twin Falls, memorial service at 2 p.m. Monday at Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Road in Twin Falls.

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The family of Edith Chugg wishes to express our sincere thanks and appreciation to all our friends, neighbors and relatives for the cards, flowers, food, visits and all other acts of kindness that were so graciously extended to us during our recent loss. They were deeply appreciated.

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Virginia Lucy Bingham

March 19, 1920-Jan. 27, 2012

Our "Cake Lady" has gone home.

TWIN FALLS • Virginia Lucy Buck was born March 19, 1920, in Smithfield, Cache County, Utah. She died Jan.



think the first wedding cake she made was for our cousins. She taught herself how to decorate cakes and made the cake decorations, table clothes and

other decorations that she needed. She was probably the first wedding caterer in Twin Falls and catered weddings from Burley to Sun Valley and points west — even sending cakes to Hawaii and Japan. It was difficult for her after Woodrow died, but with Dee's help she continued to run her catering business. She is survived by her brother, Donald Buck; her children, Patricia Anne Decker, Virginia Dee Gibson (Sam) and James LeRoy Bingham (Martí). She has many descendants, 16 grandchildren, 36 great-grandchildren and six great-great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Woodrow; her son, Woodrow Alma Jr.; as well as her brothers, Darald Buck and Melvin Buck.

She will always be remembered with love and affection. A celebration of Virginia's life will be held as a graveside service at 12:30 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 31, at the Pleasant View Cemetery in Burley, with Bishop Gary Moffitt conducting. Services are under the direction of White Mortuary, "Chapel by the Park," in Twin Falls.

Condolences for the family can be left by visiting www.whitemortuary.com.

Mother was a very talented person and was very artistic. She could see a little girl's dress in the store and go home and make it without any pattern. She liked to go fishing and camping with her husband. We have many memories of hunting asparagus along the ditch banks and watching for pheasants during pheasant season. She loved to be in the mountains. Mother had a green thumb and her flowers were always beautiful. Mom was always with Dad. She worked hard when they were living on the farm helping with many chores.

After Mom and Dad moved to Twin Falls, she began catering weddings. I

Ex-Boston Mayor Kevin White, Led in Turbulent '70s, Dies

BOSTON (AP) • Kevin H. White, a four-term mayor who led Boston through years of racial violence and economic stagnation and was credited with putting the city on a path to prosperity, has died. He was 82.

White, who had been diagnosed with Alzheimer's disease in 2003, died Friday night at his Beacon Hill home surrounded by his family, said George Regan, a family spokesman and friend. "He was a man who built Boston into the world-class city it is today," said Regan, who called his loss "devastating."

White, a white Irish Catholic from a family of politicians, is credited with revitalizing Boston's downtown and seeing the city through court-ordered busing, but he ended his tenure in 1983 under a cloud of ethics suspicions.

The Democrat was elected Massachusetts secretary of state three times before running for mayor for the first time in 1967 against antibusing activist Louise Day Hicks. He defeated her with support from the black community and liberals.

After losing a 1970 bid for governor, White was re-elected mayor in 1971, again defeating Hicks. He won again narrowly in 1975 and 1979. White was considered as a vice presidential running mate to U.S. Sen. George McGovern of South Dakota in 1972 but was passed over for U.S. Sen. Thomas Eagleton of Missouri, who was later cast aside for R. Sargent Shriver Jr.

After U.S. District Court Judge W. Arthur Garrity ordered busing to desegregate public schools in 1974, White protected schoolchildren from ensuing violence with federal and state assistance during the period of crisis and in 1976 led a march of 30,000 to protest racial violence.



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Etta James Remembered as Triumphant Trailblazer

GARDENA, Calif. (AP) • Etta James was remembered at a service Saturday attended by hundreds of friends, family and fans as a woman who triumphed against all odds to break down cultural and musical barriers in a style that was unfailingly honest.

The Rev. Al Sharpton eulogized James in a rousing speech, describing her remarkable rise from poverty and pain to become a woman whose music became an enduring anthem for weddings and commercials.

Perhaps most famously, President Barack Obama and the first lady shared their first inaugural ball dance to a version of the song sung by Beyonce. Sharpton on Saturday opened his remarks by reading a statement from the president.

"Etta will be remembered for her legendary voice and her contributions to our nation's musical heritage," Obama's statement read.

The Grammy-winning

singer died Jan. 20 after battling leukemia and other ailments, including dementia. She had retreated from public life in recent years, but on Saturday her legacy was on display as mourners of all ages and races converged on the City of Refuge church in Gardena, south of downtown Los Angeles.

Among the stars performing tributes to James were Stevie Wonder and Christina Aguilera, who told the gathering that she has included "At Last" in every concert she's performed as a tribute to her musical inspiration.

Wonder performed three songs, including "Shelter In the Rain" and a harmonica solo. James' rose-draped casket was on display, surrounded by wreaths and floral arrangements and pictures of the singer.

Sharpton, who met James when he was an up-and-coming preacher, credited her with helping break down racial barriers through her music.

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Setting It Straight: County Residents Spurred Attempt to Remove Hansen

A lot of false information has been presented in the media regarding my desire to remove my previous appointee from the Redistricting Commission. It has been suggested that this is an attempt by right-wing extremists to control the Party and the State. Even wilder speculation has suggested that Republicans are in danger of losing their majority status. Let me set the record straight with a few facts.

First, let me be clear about why I felt the need to remove Randy Hansen from the Redistricting Commission, and let me be very clear that it had nothing to do with his perceived political leanings. After all, I did appoint him to the Commission. Unfortunately, the Redistricting Commission that Hansen served on approved a map that was ruled unconstitutional by the Idaho Supreme Court. Additionally, the map they approved invited charges of gerrymandering as it appeared to favor special interests. Furthermore, the county that led the successful lawsuit to have the map declared unconstitutional was his



own county of Twin Falls. After receiving numerous phone calls from Twin Falls County residents and folks from all over the State, asking me to appoint a new commissioner, it was only after much thought and deliberation that I decided to ask for Randy's resignation. Given the circumstances, I thought this would be a fairly simple and straightforward matter, but he chose not to resign. I did, in fact, ask for his resignation because I firmly believed that it was in the best interest of the State to appoint a new commissioner to move the process forward, and to follow the guidelines that are outlined by the State Constitution.

Second, regarding the baseless claim that the Idaho Republican Party is in danger of losing its majorities, I suggest we look at the facts. The 2010 election cycle proved to be the most successful election in the proud history of the Idaho

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READER COMMENT

For Openness, Statehouse Lockdown Worse in the Long Run than Occupy Boise

Tents don't have constitutional rights. It's funny to listen to the whine of the people who make up the Occupy Boise movement, who face eviction from the grounds of the old Ada County Courthouse. Let's be clear about what the Occupy people are doing and what they're not doing: They are defending the right of their tents to stay on the lawn of the old Ada County Courthouse as their symbol of protest.

But contrary to what they'd have you believe, the Occupiers are not engaged in a perpetual, constitutionally-protected assembly. Most days, the encampment is nothing more a collection of empty tents, vacated by the people who erected them. I won't speculate on where the Occupiers are when they abandon their campground. But most of the people who created the encampment are not there.

As such, nothing about House Bill 404 violates Occupy Boise's constitutional rights. But I will say this in defense of Occupy Boise: The group started its ramshackle encampment in compliance with the law. It followed the rules as they existed last fall. Idaho law-



makers shouldn't play the part of Darth Vader ("I am altering the deal; pray I don't alter it any further") with heavy-handed edicts. An easier — and I'd say better — way to extract Occupy Boise is to make the group financially liable for their electricity usage and the damage that's being done to the lawn. And turn the sprinklers on come spring.

Some of the Legislature's activities this year, however, are harmful to our constitutional protections and to the highly-prized legislative process we have in our state.

Under our constitution, Idahoans have an unforgotten right "to instruct their representatives, and to petition the Legislature for the redress of grievances." The recent decision by legislative leaders to lock the doors leading to House member office space is troubling and contrary to the vision of openness embodied by our state's founders and by the designers of the Capitol as it

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Scott Knight, a supporter of the Occupy Boise movement, shovels snow from the tent encampment on Jan. 18. About two dozen supporters of the Occupy movement that's erected tents on state property listened quietly as House Majority Leader Scott Bedke, R-Oakley, introduced a measure to evict them from the site across from the Capitol.

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To Occupy or Not to Occupy

Occupy Boise descended upon our state's Capitol at the beginning of last November, with dozens of tents being erected and lived in by Idaho residents looking to "represent the needs of the 99%" and protest what they felt is government's refusal to represent the average citizen at the expense of big business and other monied interests.

Last week, House Bill 404 was introduced by Rep. Scott Bedke, R-Oakley. The text of the bill is interesting; in places blatantly trying to inspire fear for our kids' safety and in others somewhat humorously trying to protect the environmental integrity of the patch of lawn sitting next to the Capitol. The bill begins, "Whereas, the Capitol Building and the Capitol Mall, as well as other state-owned and leased grounds and facilities, function as the vibrant core of Idaho State Government for Idaho citizens and, as such, require unobstructed grounds and convenient access to ensure the health and safety of all citizens including touring visitors and school chil-

dren; and, whereas, the state should always strive to maintain the highest aesthetic standards for the grounds of the Capitol Mall..."

Really? School kid safety and high aesthetic standards? If a few dozen Occupy Boise campers can trash the aesthetics of downtown Boise, wouldn't it be consistent to think that the thousands of campers that annually inhabit the Sawtooth National Recreation Area would have long ago ruined this mountainous treasure?

This past Thursday, members of the Idaho House of Representatives voted 54-16 to kick out Occupy Boise protesters from that state land. Twin Falls Republican Rep. Steve Hartgen argued that the bill passed by the House was constitutional and dealt with an issue already settled by the U.S. Supreme Court. In other words: Why evict Occupy Boise protesters? Answer — because we can.

Rep. Grant Burgoyne, D-Boise, looked at the same set of facts and said, "The bill is constitutional and it is within the state's power to pass it. The question is, should

we?" In describing some of those that have participated in Occupy Boise, Burgoyne went on to say, "sometimes those who are weakest, those who are most ill-equipped to be heard in society, nonetheless should be heard, to my inconvenience, to your inconvenience, and even to your distaste."

Wow! How's that for a legislator both talking — and acting — like a public servant rather than like a politician?

Burgoyne is right. Just because legal precedent and the Idaho Attorney General say that the legislature "can" do something, those opinions in no way suggest that they should. And passing a law specifically to target a small group of Idahoans appears more overkill than good government.

We urge state Senators to not follow the short-sighted lead of their House colleagues and allow those assembling to continue their peaceful protest and "occupation." It hurts no one — not tourist nor school kid — not Ada County nor Magic Valley resident.

Let the occupation continue.

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Should the U.S. Be Ready to Bomb Iran If It Closes the Strait of Hormuz?

U.S. Must Be Willing to Bomb Iran, but Only as a Last Resort

"Bombs away" should not be the first military response from the United States, but respond we must. Closing international waters is a blockade — essentially an act of war against other states.

Were we to stand idly by and let any nation shut down a vital international passage, it would lend credence to the view that the United States is now too weakened and timid to defend its sovereign rights. To ignore such aggression would be like giving the Barbary Pirates a pass when they ravaged U.S. shipping in the early 1800s.

And, don't buy the line that it's none of our business. Over a third of the world's oil transported by sea goes through the strait. If that flow stops, you can bet the farm it will cause huge problem here at home.

When the Heritage Foundation war-gamed this scenario back in 2007, the impact was immediate: a near doubling in the cost of a barrel of oil and a loss of 1 million domestic jobs.

Though closing the straits is an act of war, responses in war ought to be proportional. Thus, the first U.S. military objective ought to be to reopen the straits, and you don't have to attack Iran to do that.

Consider 1987, when Iran tried to interfere with the passage of oil through the strait. President Ronald Reagan authorized Operation Ernest Will. The U.S. Navy protected ships going through the straits and only conducted military operations in defense of the tankers or U.S. forces.

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U.S. Bombing Unnecessary Because Iran Can't Block the Strait

The Iranian vice president is threatening to use Iran's navy to close the Strait of Hormuz to shipping traffic if the U.S.-led oil embargo chokes off his nation's oil exports.

Both outcomes are extremely unlikely. Moreover, the United States would not need to take military action even if Iran did resort to such an irrational act.

The history of economic sanctions shows that they rarely work. Because economic transactions, unlike military actions, are mutually beneficial to the parties involved, countries usually advocate banning products they don't trade in, agree only rhetorically to sanction products they do purchase, and often attempt to evade the measures — legally or illegally — anyway.

The tentative European oil embargo on Iran is a timely example. France and Germany, which import little oil from Iran, want to be tough, while Italy, Spain, and Greece, which are all in serious economic trouble and thirsty for cheap Iranian oil, have been exempted from the embargo for more than the six months that other European countries have been given to find new suppliers.

Historically, embargoes erode over time as the target finds new ways to evade the sanctions and discounts its products to find alternative buyers. The Europeans have conveniently given themselves and Iran plenty of time to make that happen.

Oil is a valuable commodity and Iran will find willing

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That should be the going-in strategy today. If Iranian attacks were to persist, then a proportional and responsible act would be to take out the bases or support infrastructure where the attacks originate.

And if the Iranians still didn't get the message, the target set should then be expanded to things that the regime values: targets like the Iranian Revolutionary Guard Headquarters, government facilities, and other military facilities — including those contributing to Tehran's nuclear weapon and ballistic missile program.

Going after these targets might require taking out Iranian command and control and air defense sites. That would be justified.

At no point along the way would the United States need to ask the United Nations or anyone else for permission. The United States would just be exercising its inherent right as a nation to act in self-defense.

It is worth noting that we wouldn't find ourselves seriously contemplating such high-seas drama and tragedy today if the White House had spent the last three years working to put an aggressive Iran back in its box. Iranian hostility toward the United States was no secret when President Obama took office.

Tehran had been a declared state-sponsor of terrorism since the 1980s. Its illegal nuclear weapons program had long been an open secret. So, too, was the regime's institutional support in killing U.S. soldiers in Iraq.

Yet this administration wasted most its first three years trying to "engage" this rogue regime. Little wonder Iran treats the U.S. with contempt and threatens reprehensible acts against international commerce even as it continues to prop another of the world's worst dictators in Syria.

Playing nice with Tehran, coupled with the premature withdrawal of stabilizing U.S. troops from Iraq, have brought us to where we are today. If the United States has to draw swords to protect our interests in that part of the world, it will be because this White House failed us.

Odds are Tehran won't try to close the strait. It knows the United States would have to reopen the passage. But the mullahs also know that the last thing Obama wants is another war before the election.

So as long as they pull up short of actually interfering with shipping, the Iranians feel they have a free pass to bluster and taunt the U.S. with impunity.

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buyers — sanctions or no sanctions. Thus, Iranian oil exports probably will not be cut off and Iranian officials won't have to act on their threat.

Besides, closing the Strait would be economic suicide for the Iranian regime, which has been teetering politically since its fraudulent 2009 election. Such an action would indeed fulfill the West's goal of stanching Iran's oil exports, but it would also cut off vital imports, including refined petroleum products.

Even during Iran's radical revolution in the late 1970s and its bitter war with Iraq from 1980 to 1988 — which involved the belligerents attacking oil tankers and facilities and a large battle between the Iranian and U.S. navies — Iran did not try to totally block this chokepoint. Thus, Iran's threat is likely just an attempt to increase the world oil price to nullify any effects of sanctions.

In the unlikely event that Iran did try to close the Strait by using mines, suicide boats or anti-ship cruise missiles, it would be harder than commonly believed.

Oil tankers are huge, have double hulls, and are difficult to sink, even with cruise missiles. During the Iran-Iraq war some tankers sustained five missile hits and survived. In addition, the range of these land-based missiles doesn't cover the entire Strait, which has several passages. Tankers also produce huge bow waves, which would make it difficult for small suicide boats to get near them.

Mining the Strait would be difficult as well, requiring a large number of Iran's primitive mines to completely close the waterway. Capable regional air forces, such as Saudi Arabia's, could prevent that by sinking Iranian tankers and mine-layers without any need for direct U.S. involvement.

U.S. Navy war games have shown that closing the Strait for any length of time would be highly unlikely. Even if oil flow through the Strait was reduced, more oil could be transferred from the Persian Gulf using the underutilized land pipeline across Saudi Arabia to its port of Yanbu on the Red Sea.

History shows that developed economies, such as that of the United States, are fairly resilient to petroleum price increases that reduced oil flow might bring. Thus, there is no reason for the United States to use military force to keep the Strait open.

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Friends, Romans, Voters

Philip Freeman

Los Angeles Times

did 2,000 years ago.

Quintus was in many ways the first political consultant, and his little-known book remains a mostly undiscovered treasure. For centuries his concise guide has been read only by Latin scholars, but it deserves a much wider audience. Some of Quintus' advice is as follows:

Promise everything to everybody. Except in the most extreme cases, candidates should say whatever the particular crowd of the day wants to hear. Tell conservatives you have always supported traditional values. Tell progressives you have consistently been on their side. The current crop of Republican candidates, especially Mitt Romney, knows this lesson well. In states such as Iowa and South

Carolina, you must tailor your message to social conservatives. In New Hampshire and Florida, emphasize fiscal responsibility. But what do you do after the election and voters expect you to follow through on your promises? Quintus has an answer for that too — explain to all sides that circumstances beyond your control have intervened.

Build a wide base of support. Quintus Cicero urges his brother as an outsider in the political game to win over the various special-interest groups, local organizations and rural populations ignored by other candidates. He also stresses the importance of harnessing the energy and enthusiasm of young people, as Ron Paul has done effectively in the primaries.

Don't leave town. In the days of the Cicero brothers, this meant sticking close to Rome, the center of all political activity. For modern politicians, it means being on

the ground pressing the flesh wherever the key voters are at the moment. There is no such thing as a day off for a serious candidate. Quintus would have told Newt Gingrich to take his wife on a cruise to the Greek isles after the election.

Know the weaknesses of your opponents — and exploit them. Quintus says every candidate should do an honest inventory of both the vulnerabilities and strengths of their rivals. Today, political consultants call it opposition research. Winning candidates do their best to distract voters from any positive aspects their opponents possess by emphasizing the negatives (Quintus would have loved television ads).

Give people hope. No one has applied this advice better than President Obama in the last election. As bitter as political contests are, even the most cynical voters want to believe in someone.

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existed in 1919. Legislators used to roam and mingle with the citizenry. They had to. By architectural design, the only exit from the House and Senate chambers, prior the renovation and expansion, was through the Rotunda. Now, legislators can remain tucked away behind closed doors all day every day, never having to interact with the public. They can take the back stairs or elevator to their offices in the basement level and re-emerge in a committee hearing room without ever using the common areas where the real people hang out.

When the Statehouse reopened in 2010, I praised the new design. I was captivated by the many spacious hearing rooms, the auditorium for really large gatherings, the availability of Internet as well as audio and video feeds from all meetings. Those features remain a vast improvement over the old hearing rooms that overflowed with people. Not an improvement: individual offices for every legislator, the virtual abandonment of the fourth floor of the Statehouse most days of the session and security measures designed to keep people out and away from the people they hired to represent them.

This legislative session, we're getting a taste of some of

the security features of the new Statehouse. We're finding out that in this Capitol, it is painfully easy to activate door locks and restrict the public's access to senators and representatives. Once such features are activated, it's very difficult and often impossible to undo the trappings of security. Indeed, the tendency is to impose more of it.

Occupy Boise's long-term

impact on state government will be almost nothing compared to the decision by legislators this year to use technology as a means to keep citizens away.

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Republican Party. In fact, more than any time in recent history, the Idaho Republican Party played a major role in delivering Republican victories across the board. The 2010 election cycle witnessed the State Party spend over \$1.3 million on television ads, mail hundreds of thousands of campaign mail pieces, recruit and train a record number of candidates, open field offices and hire field staff, drive record numbers of early and absentee voting, and much more.

The results speak for themselves: Governor Otter handily defeated his Democrat challenger by 26 percent, improving on the single digit victory four years earlier; we helped reelect all of our state and Congressional incumbents by large margins; we reclaimed the first Congressional District from Democrat Walt Minnick; and we picked up five seats in the Idaho legislature — in traditionally challenging areas like Coeur d'Alene, Lewiston, Boise and Pocatello, no less — increasing our majority to 85/105 seats, or 81 percent of the State Legislature. Not bad, considering the liberal media consistently proclaimed the end of Republican dominance

in Idaho when I was elected as chairman in 2008.

I would also like to point out the secret to our success: the grassroots of our Party was motivated and energized to recruit candidates and support them because they were included, and we weren't shy about standing up for our core, conservative Republican principles. The fact that I was chairman isn't as important as the fact that it happened. As I conclude my four-year tenure as chairman and hand the reins over to someone else at the Republican State Convention in Twin Falls this summer, this will be my proudest accomplishment.

We are an open and inclusive party and welcome any Idahoan who is fed up with Barack Obama's disastrous policies to join us in our efforts to get this great nation back on track, and although I am sure the liberal media and our detractors have already written it off — here's to victory in 2012 and making Barack Obama a one-term president!

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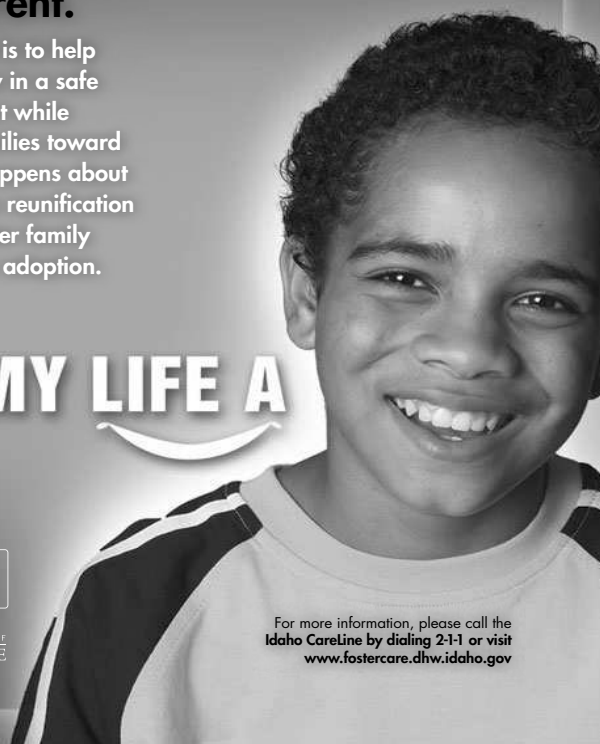
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There's Hope After Armageddon

I figure we've got about nine months till Armageddon. Almost no hope to avoid meltdown. Everybody feels the earth quaking. Fragile economy? Gross understatement! Ravenously borrowing to maintain our morbid obesity, we've killed our future ...

The scenario? Like sabre rattling petty warlords, candidates spew hope, hype and hyperbole, as market indicators slowly increase in fits and starts. A series of magnitude 7 foreshocks jolt Wall Street. Then the big one.

Since 90 percent of our economy is based on "luxuries" and heavily leveraged debt, the whole house of cards collapses. But the roots of our implosion are not economic, rather spiritual. God and his natural laws will not be mocked: millions of slaughtered babies. A military industrial complex bigger than the world combined. "Naturalized" sodomy. Filthy rich corporations and capitalists freed from social obligations. Massive welfare roles rewarding husband-less "families," pseudo-disabilities and laziness. The persecution of 10 million Hispanic refugees. 10 million idle souls rotting in prisons for political crimes (drug use). Millions of rich unproductive retirees sucking ill-conceived and unwarranted social benefits. An out of control non-profit medical industrial complex whose sole motive is obscene profit. A mammoth Godless educational system derailed from reality and family. Barely 20 percent produce to feed 100 percent. Unsustainable? Unjust? Suicidal — actuarial trickery? ... Whatever, its reality.

Collectively we've said to natural law, no thanks. (We'll do away with gravity.) And to the creator, go away! We've a Tower of Babel to build. There's an upside? You bet. Once it all burns, from the ashes, a new spring. In the morning, from the mourning, laughter and peace. Folks will return to God and each other genuinely thankful for a pot of chick peas. Natural law will re-establish. Rich and poor, young and old will work side by side for survival freed from the false promises of godless bureaucracy and together dream a new heaven and a new earth.

Am I hopeful for our future? You bet! How about you?

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Reader Thanks Dr. Ron Paul

Thank you, Dr. Ron Paul. Interesting that Dr. Paul quadrupled his support since 2008 in South Carolina. Romney didn't increase his at all in Iowa. Gingrich will not be in all primaries. Santorum was not able to get on two primary ballots. Paul has a strong team which performed the necessary details and requirements. Picking the right team makes for more success, and voters should take note of this.

Paul's whole adult life has been caring for patients and our country, educating citizens on dangers of the Federal Reserve; monetary realities; and the U.S. Constitution. He warned us 10 years prior to the housing crash. He totally changed the topics of conversation in America these past six years. He is a leader of leaders against "big bubble government."

Thank you, Dr. Paul, for

telling us the truth. Though we wouldn't believe it. Thank you for boldly speaking up about issues others would not because of political powers and political correctness. Thank you for your integrity, morally and financially — standing head and shoulders above the other candidates. How novel would it be to have a president who is actually an example to the citizens and young people of the United States?

Your passion for the Constitution is critical when others say it is old, ignore it, or blatantly do what they want for their own agendas and wealth, breaking their oaths of office. The framers labored incessantly from wide experiences and world travels to guide and protect us from dictators and kings, or an executive branch takeover.

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JAN WIMBERLEY Buhl

County Should Lower Utility Rates Instead

I read with dismay the article on Page 1 regarding Cassia County's new judicial complex.

How dare they purchase a building for \$600,000 in this dismal economy when nearly everyone (governments, individuals, businesses, etc.) is complaining

about increased expenditures!

The architect/engineer expense is not mentioned. However, it is stated that total costs are expected to be "between \$1.3 and \$1.5 mil-

lion" and the county has the money set aside.

If the county has money to burn, why not lower utility rates, etc.!

I don't live in Cassia County (Minidoka County).

However, I'm outraged at the enormous waste and burden placed on citizens in Idaho! I have dual residency in Idaho and Steline, Nev.

Let the court occupy its present location or hold tri-

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Pay it Forward: Alabama Tornado Survivors Help after Latest Twisters

BY JAY REEVES
Associated Press

CLAY, Ala. • Survivors still haunted by memories of last year's tornado outbreak that killed 250 in Alabama are writing checks, donating diapers and standing over hot grills to help victims of the latest twisters to pummel the state.

The April 27 outbreak of 62 tornadoes that swept across the state in waves caused more than \$1 billion in damage, hurt more than 2,000 people and destroyed or damaged nearly 24,000 homes. The storms leveled neighborhoods and virtually wiped out some towns. The latest outbreak of at least 10 tornadoes this week ravaged central Alabama, killing two people near Birmingham and destroying or badly damaging more than 460 homes.

Rick Johnson is still living with relatives and friends after two tornadoes last year killed four people and splintered his home in rural Cordova, where the downtown area is still in shambles. When the latest twisters hit this week, Johnson stepped up. He volunteered to cook 200 pounds of donated chicken and help deliver hot meals to volunteers, workers and storm victims in Center Point, about 45 miles from his hometown.

"You know what they're going through. You know what they feel. It's hard to describe," said Johnson, 55.

Leaders from President Barack Obama on down praised the generosity and volunteering spirit of Alabamians after last year's deadly tornado outbreak. The people who needed help last year, many of whom are still removing debris and rebuilding, have been among those lending a hand this time around. The Alabama Emergency Management Agency said 2,511 victims of last year's storms were still living in temporary housing.

For Leah Bromley, helping out victims of the latest twisters is all about repaying kindness. Mountains of donated clothes and furniture flooded her hometown of Tuscaloosa after a twister killed nearly 50 people there last year.

"I just really believe in paying it forward," said Bromley, who started Rebuild Tuscaloosa, a nonprofit organization formed after last year's twisters to solicit donations and distribute money and services for relief. Now, it's helping out in communities far from Tuscaloosa.

A University of Alabama sorority from Tuscaloosa gave donations to help victims of the latest twisters northeast of Birmingham, and a group brought more from Cullman, which also got slammed last year. A school in a Walker County town that was hard hit last year donated supplies and made sandwiches for survivors in Oak Grove, which was battered both in 2011 and 2012.

Mary Foster couldn't go home for weeks after a tornado badly damaged her home in Tuscaloosa, and she's just now settling back into a normal routine nine months later. That didn't stop her from writing a check to a relief fund this week.

Foster said she was compelled to help because so many people helped her last year, including Bromley's organization and Habitat for Humanity, which helped fix her home.

"I was glad to be able to be a blessing to them because so many people were a blessing to me," Foster said.

Foster's house in east Tuscaloosa was badly damaged when a twister cut a wide swath through the city of nearly 90,000 last year, forcing her and her two daughters to move in first with a brother, then into a motel. Her home is now repaired, but broken trees and splintered, vacant homes dot the rolling hills all through her Alberta City neighborhood, providing a

constant reminder of the terror that day.

"When I came out and saw people scream and hollering... Oh, my," said Foster, her voice trailing off.

Thanks to contributions from people in tornado-scarred towns and elsewhere, the gym is now full at Bridge Point Church in Clay, which opened a distribution center after a twister last Monday slammed neighborhoods including one where a 16-year-old girl was killed and scores of homes were destroyed or damaged. A steady stream of storm victims came by on Wednesday gathering items off of a gym floor covered with tables full of cleaning supplies and buckets, baby food and diapers, tarps and canned foods.

Pastor Mark Higdon said the outpouring of donations has been gratifying, particularly considering how many Alabama families are still struggling to recover from the tornadoes last year, which leveled entire neighborhoods and virtually wiped out some towns. The church's gym was empty at 8 a.m. Tuesday, a day after the twisters struck, and it was overflowing 24 hours later.

"The generosity of people is unbelievable," Higdon said. "They're just more than willing to give back."



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Rick Johnson, 55, grills chicken for victims of the recent tornadoes, Friday in a church parking lot in Cordova, Ala.

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Cain Backs Newt for President

WEST PALM BEACH, Fla. (AP) • Former presidential hopeful Herman Cain is backing Newt Gingrich's White House bid.

Cain endorsed his fellow Georgian Saturday, just days before Florida's primary, at a GOP fundraiser.

Gingrich was also slated to speak to the group later Saturday night.

Gingrich, a former

House speaker, is in a fierce fight for Tuesday's Florida's GOP primary with Mitt Romney.

Cain, a favorite of the tea party and a former pizza executive, left the race before the first nominating contests facing accusations of unwanted sexual advances. He remains popular, however, and would be a late boost for Gingrich.

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Remains of Idaho Marine Killed in Afghanistan Return Home

BY KATHLEEN KRELLER
Idaho Statesman

BOISE • Lance Cpl. Kenneth Cochran dreamed of “going to the top” in his military career; to inspire people.

Mostly, though, the Wilder Marine believed in friendship, said his sister Michael Cochran, 19.

Kenneth Cochran, 20, was one of two Marines who died January 15 while supporting Operation Enduring Freedom in Afghanistan.

The incident is under investigation. Cochran is at least the 61st Idahoan to die since the United States launched military actions after Sept. 11, 2001.

He was assigned to 9th Engineer Support Battalion, 3rd Marine Logistics Group, III Marine Expeditionary Force, out of Okinawa, Japan.

“People would describe him as compassionate, which is why so many people were surprised when he became a Marine,” said Michael Cochran. “He was big, and it was his dream.”

And he had the example of both his parents and sister, who serve or have served in the armed forces. His father, George Cochran, is a former Marine. His mother is Julia Cochran, a U.S. Army Captain.

“He grew up hearing stories about my dad,” Cochran said. “Kenny’s dream was to become a Marine.”

Kenneth Cochran’s body was returned to Idaho Saturday. He was met by his family, and a group of fellow Marines.

They encircled his casket, pausing for a prayer and a moment of reflection.

Those gathered on the tarmac at Boise’s Gowen Field remained silent while Cochran’s body was handed over to his family.

Earlier Saturday his younger sister paused to remember her brother.

“He was an old man trapped in a young man’s body,” Michael Cochran said.

She remembered her brother wowing his elementary school classmates with a little robot he had constructed with his dad.

That experience, of welding and crafting, helped lead him to his career as a “utilities guy” for the Marines, Michael Cochran said.

Even with his love for the Marine Corps and his comrades, his family al-



Michael Cochran, sister of Lance Cpl. Kenneth E. Cochran, wipes away tears as the casket containing the remains of her brother is lowered to the tarmac Saturday at Gowen Field in Boise.

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ways came first.

They would often chat and keep in touch on Skype and over the internet while he was deployed.

For a time, he got to serve in the same area with his older sister Joyce Cochran, a U.S. Army Combat Medic Specialist.

Michael Cochran recalled a time when the two of them — just a year apart in age — were having a raucous

fight, as siblings do.

“It wasn’t 20 minutes later he came over and said ‘I love you. Sorry,’” Michael Cochran said. “He was a very special guy and he will be remembered.”

The family will hold a funeral for Kenneth Cochran at 2:00 p.m. today at Parma High School Gym. Interment is scheduled for 10 a.m. Monday at the Idaho State Veterans Cemetery.

Boise Police Investigate Two Unrelated Overnight Stabbings

IDAHO STATESMAN

BOISE • Boise Police are investigating two stabbings that occurred early Saturday morning. Officers say there’s no evidence at this time the two incidents are related.

In the first incident, officers responded to a call about an injured man at 2 a.m. on Saturday at a restaurant near N. 8th and West Idaho Streets. The man had just been in a fight outside, walked into the restaurant, and noticed he’d been stabbed in the upper torso.

The victim, a 26-year-old Boise man, told officers he did not know the man he’d fought with, and told them the fight began verbally and turned violent.

The victim remained hospitalized on Saturday

with non-life threatening injuries. The suspect is a light-skinned male, approximately 6-foot-tall with a muscular build and short dark hair. He was nicely dressed, and was last seen walking away with a woman, south on 8th Street.

In the second incident, officers were called to a fight with a weapon outside a trailer home near S. Federal Way and Malad Streets at 2:45 a.m. Witnesses say two men had been sitting outside when an unknown younger man walked up.

The younger man immediately started speaking aggressively to the men and challenging them to a fight. As the victim, a 30-year-old man, tried to push the suspect away, he was cut by the suspect in the back of the neck and the head.

Boise Parks And Rec to Host Wheelchair Rugby ‘Demo Day’

IDAHO STATESMAN

BOISE • Check out the newest sport in town at a free wheelchair rugby “demo day” from 4 to 6:30 p.m. Feb. 12 at Fort Boise Community Center, 700 Robbins Rd.

Wheelchair rugby, also known as “quad rugby” or “murderball,” is a fast-paced, fun contact sport offered by Boise Parks & Recreation’s AdVenture program. AdVenture offers social and recreational activities for people with disabilities.

AdVenture recently received a \$23,400 grant to purchase new rugby wheelchairs. The grant was awarded by U.S. Paralympics, a division of the

U.S. Olympic Committee, through funding provided by Veterans Affairs. The grants are intended to facilitate the growth of Paralympic sport programming for disabled Veterans and disabled members of the Armed Forces.

At demo day, people with and without disabilities are invited to try out the new chairs. All skill levels are welcome.

This spring, AdVenture will offer two wheelchair rugby programs. Sessions meet from 4-6:30 p.m. Sundays from March 25-May 20 and from noon-2:30 p.m. Thursdays from April 5-May 24 at Fort Boise Community Center. Cost is \$24 for the 8-session programs.

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Blood Found at Home Where Maine Toddler Was Last Seen

BY CLARKE CANFIELD
Associated Press

PORTLAND, Maine • Investigators have been analyzing blood found in the basement of a Maine home where a missing toddler was last seen six weeks ago, an official said Saturday.

The blood was found early in the investigation into Ayla Reynolds' disappearance from her father's home in Waterville, state police spokesman Steve McCausland said. The state crime laboratory has been running tests on it since then, but it was unclear when results would be available.

Ayla's father, Justin DiPietro, reported her missing Dec. 17. He had put her to bed the night before in the home he shares with his mother and said she wasn't there the next morning.

McCausland called the discovery of the blood "troubling." He declined to discuss how much blood was found in the basement or how old it might have been.

Ayla was 20 months old when she disappeared. She had been staying with her father at the time in the house where DiPietro lives with his mother. Her mother, Trista Reynolds, lives in Portland.

DiPietro told police she was wearing green pajamas with polka dots and the words "Daddy's Princess" on them and had a soft cast on her broken left arm.

DiPietro, his mother and a third adult were home the night of Dec. 16, and police have questioned all three, McCausland said. "We believe they have not given us the full story," he said.

Trista Reynolds was participating in a vigil Saturday for the girl and could not be reached for comment. DiPietro did not immediately return a message left on his cellphone.

The two came face to face for the first time since Ayla's disappearance at the vigil on the City Hall steps in downtown Waterville, said Bob Year, a friend of the DiPietro family who organized the vigil. They spoke privately for about 10 minutes before giving each other a hug, he said.

A woman who answered DiPietro's mother's cell-

phone hung up after being asked about the blood.

The blood was among hundreds of pieces of potential evidence that were removed from their home as part of a criminal investigation into the girl's disappearance. The discovery of the blood was first reported Saturday by WCVB-TV in Boston.

Ronald Reynolds, who is Trista Reynolds' father, said DiPietro hasn't been forthcoming with his version of what happened or what he knows. DiPietro has said he took a polygraph test, but has declined to say what the results were.

"They haven't given the full story, but this family has gone through so much pain, so much hurt," said Reynolds, who lives in Port-



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This undated photo obtained from a Facebook page shows missing toddler Ayla Reynolds.

land. "We're going into two months now and don't know anything, and all we get is the runaround."

Year said he was first made aware of the blood sample Dec. 24, but he doesn't think it'll amount to anything.

"I cut myself at home all the time," he said. "It could be Justin's, it could be the baby's. There were five or six people in the house that night."

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Can NATO Force Weather France's Speedier Exit?

BY DEB RIECHMANN and SLOBODAN LEKIC
Associated Press

KABUL, Afghanistan • France's call for a speedier NATO exit from Afghanistan reflects the depth of war fatigue in the West and raises fears that other countries in the U.S.-led coalition will succumb to rising political pressure and pull their troops home early.

French President Nicolas Sarkozy's decision to fast-track its withdrawal — just days after an Afghan soldier gunned down four French troops — is the latest crack in a coalition already strained by economic troubles in Europe and the United States, the Afghan government's sluggish battle against corruption, on-again off-again cooperation from neighboring Pakistan and a dogged Taliban bloodied but not beaten.

The international coalition is already rushing against the clock to meet President Hamid Karzai's goal of having the Afghan police and army in charge of the nation's security by the end of 2014. France's break with that timetable, which was agreed to by NATO members, now raises the

question: Can the coalition stay together until then?

Resetting the date to end the coalition's combat mission could strengthen arguments for President Barack Obama to accelerate U.S. troop withdrawals beyond the 33,000 he's sending home by the end of this year, and reopen a debate over whether setting a withdrawal deadline allows the Taliban to seize more territory once foreign forces are gone.

It's unclear whether Sarkozy's call for all foreign forces to hand security over to the Afghan forces in 2013 will have any traction when it is presented next week at a NATO defense ministers' meeting in Brussels. If other nations see France's move as a green light to speed up their withdrawals, it will complicate the current strategy for a coordinated pullout.

In a gentle rebuke to France, British Prime Minister David Cameron said in London on Saturday that withdrawals should be dependent on security conditions on the ground. Britain has said it's keeping to plans to withdraw its 9,500 troops from Afghanistan by the end of 2014.

"The rate at which we can reduce our troops will depend on the transition to Afghan control in the different parts of Afghanistan, and that should be the same for all of the members of NATO," Cameron said after meeting with Karzai.

Other nations facing extreme economic problems, such as Italy and Spain, are not planning early withdrawals.

"We are a responsible country. We are a big country that honors its commitments that it agrees to make," said Minister Giampaolo Di Paola, defense minister in Italy, which this week signed a pact aimed at supporting Afghanistan after foreign forces withdraw in 2014.

Germany also said it agrees with the goal to hand over security responsibility by the end of 2014 and withdraw combat troops.

Sarkozy said France will speed up its withdrawal and pull 1,000 — up from 600 — out this year and bring all combat forces home at the end of 2013. Sarkozy also said France would hand over authority in the province of Kapisa, where the French troops were killed this month, by the end of March.

Peru: Fire at Rehab Center Kills 27 People

LIMA, Peru (AP) • A fire swept through a two-story private rehabilitation center for addicts in a poor part of Peru's capital Saturday, killing 27 people and critically injuring five as firefighters punched holes through walls to rescue residents locked inside.

The "Christ is Love" center for drug and alcohol addicts was unlicensed and overcrowded and its residents were apparently kept inside "like prisoners," Health Minister Alberto Tejada told AP.

Authorities said 26 people died at the scene, and prosecutors spokesman Raul Sanchez said Saturday night that one of six men hospitalized in critical condition died later.

Peru's fire chief, Antonio Zavala, said most of the victims died of asphyxiation. All the victims appeared to be male.

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CSI Steals Win at Salt Lake

TIMES-NEWS

College of Southern Idaho head basketball coach Steve Gosar had one message to his team in the waning seconds of its game against Salt Lake: get the ball to Fabyon Harris.

Cramping in his legs and in pain from a twisted ankle, Harris calmly went to the free throw line with 13 seconds remaining and knocked down both clutch shots to give CSI a three-point lead and seal its 62-60 win over Salt Lake.

"That's how much confidence I have in that young man. He plays so hard," Gosar said. "If there's going to be someone who wins the game at the end, it's going to be him. He's got guts."

CSI improves to 20-2 overall and 6-1 in the Scenic West, and paired with North Idaho's 81-78 loss to Snow College in Ephraim, sits atop the SWAC

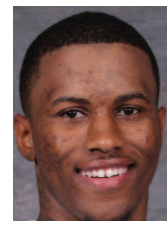
standings with a two-game lead.

Gerson Santo hit a free throw to give CSI a 60-56 lead with 4:11 remaining to cap an 8-0 run for the Golden Eagles, who trailed by as much as 10 in the second half after the two teams were deadlocked at 30 after the first.

Both teams played tight down the stretch until Salt Lake's Skyler Halford hit a huge 3-pointer with 1:37 remaining to pull the Bruins within one at 60-59.

Harris missed his next three shots and Salt Lake (17-5, 4-3 SWAC) secured the rebound and called a timeout with 48 seconds left. The Bruins ran a play for leading scorer, Gabe Kindred, who had 13 points.

Santo, however, stole the ball from Kindred as he went to the lane, and CSI



Harris

called a timeout with 17 seconds remaining.

Rafriel Guthrie inbounded to Harris, who was fouled by Darian Cartharn and in the process rolled his ankle. His two free throws gave him a game-high 21 points and CSI the 62-59 lead.

CSI fouled Kindred on the ensuing inbound and he made the first and missed the second intentionally in hopes of recovering the rebound. Paul Egwuonwu secured the rebound initially for CSI, but lost it out of bounds, giving Salt Lake one last shot opportunity.

Cartharn's 3-point attempt hit the backboard and CSI walked away with a second straight road sweep.

"It was one of those nights where I never felt like we were going to lose that

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RED HALVERSON MEMORIAL WRESTLING INVITATIONAL



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Minico's David Borden, right, takes down Caldwell's Brad Ferguson in the 170-pound final of the Red Halverson Memorial Wrestling Invitational Saturday at Minico High School. Borden won 3-1.

North Claims 23-13 Senior Bowl Victory

BY JOHN ZENOR
Associated Press writer

MOBILE, Ala. • Michigan State's Kirk Cousins and Wisconsin's Russell Wilson threw touchdown passes to lead the North to a 23-13 victory over the South in the Senior Bowl on Saturday.

Purdue kicker Carson Wiggs put it away with his third short field goal, a 28-yarder with 4:11 left in the showcase for senior NFL prospects.

Boise State's Kellen Moore led that clinching 13-play drive that consumed 8:36 with the help of a running clock.

It snuffed out a spark provided by South quarterback Nick Foles of Arizona, who started his career with Cousins at Michigan State.

Foles had gotten the South into the end zone by firing a 20-yard touchdown pass to Arizona teammate Juron Criner with 12:55 left in the game.

It was an up-and-down day for a crew of quarterbacks with sparkling college credentials, with a combined five interceptions.

Cincinnati running back Isaiah Pead had a big day for the North. He set a Senior Bowl record in the first half with 98 yards on two late punt returns, and was named the MVP. Pead also rushed for a team-high 31 yards on eight carries.

Cousins completed 5 of 11 passes for 115 yards but threw an interception. Moore, who won a college-record 50 games as a starting quarterback, was 6-of-12 passing for 50 yards, and had a 23-yarder to set up the final field goal that put the North up two scores.

Wilson completed 4 of 7 passes for 45 yards with an 8-yard touchdown pass to Marvin Jones in the second quarter. He also threw an interception.

Arkansas receiver Joe Adams, the South's Most Outstanding Player, had six catches for 116 yards after losing a fumble on the opening drive. He had a 36-yarder and a 29-yarder in the third quarter.

Criner gained 77 yards on six catches.

Boise State defensive lineman Shea McClellin had four tackles (two solo), while Billy Winn was held off the stat sheet. Bronco safety George Iloka had a tackle, and running back Doug Martin had four carries for 19 yards, as well as a 25-yard kick return.

Linebacker Bobby Wagner of Utah State had seven tackles and an interception and was the North's Most Outstanding Player.

Wiggs made kicks of 27, 32 and 28 yards while missing a 37-yarder in the final minutes.

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Three Locals Victorious at Red Halverson

BY RYAN HOWE
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RUPERT • Whether it was the pre-match Pop Tarts, or the raw desire to redeem himself, Braydon Metcalf had something extra inside him Saturday at the Red Halverson Memorial Wrestling Invitational.

The senior Canyon Ridge wrestler has come a long way since last year's Red Halverson, in which he was dis-

qualified for throwing a punch. He's also come a long way after a slower-than-expected start to this season.

Metcalf, who says he hadn't started wrestling well until last week's Tiger-Grizz tournament, avenged an overtime loss to Buhl's Stephen Mejia at the Buhl Invitational earlier this season by beating him 6-1 in Saturday's 152-pound final.

"He's like a train," Metcalf said of Mejia. "When it starts going, it keeps

getting faster and faster, heavier and heavier as the rounds go on. But I put the brakes on it!"

After Metcalf scored the initial takedown in the first period, he rode the top for most the match, getting a crucial near fall in the second period and another takedown in the third.

"He's a great wrestler. He's very conditioned and I'm not, so I've got to do everything I can to kill his conditioning,

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PUNCH-OUT!



Duane 'Train' Villasenor, right, lands a punch on 'Nightmare' Nick Gorringer during the 35th Annual CSI Cowboy and Cowgirl Boxing Smoker at the Eldon Evans Expo Center Saturday in Twin Falls. Villasenor won the bout.

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North Squad defensive lineman Shea McClellin (92) of Boise State stops South Squad wide receiver Joe Adams (4) of Arkansas in the first half of the Senior Bowl football game at Ladd-Peebles Stadium in Mobile, Ala., Saturday.

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CSI Baseball Slips Against Cochise

TIMES-NEWS

The College of Southern Idaho baseball team encountered a little more typical early-season play, with walks and sloppy defensive play.

This time it was the Golden Eagles doing the gifting, however.

CSI blew an early lead and lost 5-4 to Cochise College (Ariz.), Saturday, on the second day of the Border Battle tournament in Henderson, Nev.

“We didn’t throw enough strikes, and that’s a little disappointing. You’d rather get beat by a guy pounding it off the wall,” said CSI coach Boomer Walker. “We’ve had chances to win all three games. We’ve had a lot of base runners, which is encouraging because offense is usually stagnant to start the season. ... Our at-bats have been pretty good, just not great with runners on. They’re trying to do a little bit too much.”

The Golden Eagles (1-2) built a 3-0 lead after the first two innings, but allowed Cochise to score five straight runs before they clawed one back in the bottom of the seventh. Luke Miller’s ninth-inning drive might have tied or won the game if not for a stiff wind, and as a result CSI fell to its second straight loss.

The Golden Eagles committed nine errors in a 6-4, 11-inning loss to Arizona Western College late Friday night.

“It’s January baseball, and it’s not just the games we’ve been playing in,” Walker said. “They’re all the same, pitchers are walking too many guys, runners getting picked off, some errors. It’s trying to start the season too early.”

CSI and Cochise play again today.

Cochise, Ariz. 5, CSI 4
CC 000 220 100 - 5 9 1
CSI 210 000 100 - 4 7 1
 Blau, Potts (7) and Parks, Doucette, Gelz (5), Takatch (7), Wilson (9) and Croft, W. Blau, L. Gelz (0-1), Sv. Potts.
 Extra-base hits - 2B: CC, Salas, CSI, Freter (2), 3B: CC, Hale.

Softball: CSI Swept on Day 2

At least they won't be

coming back 0-6.

The 17th-ranked College of Southern Idaho softball team had far more difficulty on the second day of the Las Vegas Kickoff Classic, dropping all three games against Arizona teams.

“We played well, still trying to figure out some positions and spots, but we’ll get it whittled down,” said CSI coach Nick Baumert. “I think we’ve got some pretty good pieces to the puzzle.”

CSI lost 10-9 to Glendale Community College in the early game Saturday, which started less than 10 hours after the Golden Eagles (2-4) finished off Phoenix College 12-6 Friday night.

CSI had 12 hits in the loss, which saw all 19 runs scored in the first three innings.

Lea Hopson doubled and homered, and Nikki Brailsford also homered for the Eagles, who followed that loss up with a 6-5, eight-inning loss to No. 9 Pima Community College.

Brailsford added another homer and Patti Ferguson blasted two, but CSI squandered a 3-1 lead and gave up the game-winner on a throwing error in the eighth.

“Pima’s a good club, and their pitcher threw it pretty well,” said Baumert. “For us it’s just a defensive thing, a few miscues here and there that are keeping teams close or keeping us from getting ahead. We’ve swung the bats well.”

CSI closed the tournament with a 6-1 loss to Eastern Arizona College, surrendering three two-run homers.

The Golden Eagles head to Yuma, Ariz., for a tournament at Arizona Western College this week.

Glendale, Ariz. 10, No. 17 CSI 9
GCC 513 000 0 - 9 12 1
CSI 532 000 0 - 10 10 0
 Duncan, Eckstein (3) and Webster, Hill, Turnbough (3) and Murphy, W. Hill, L. Duncan, Sv. Turnbough.
 Extra-base hits - 2B: CSI, Hopson, Carlton, Watson, G.C.C., Tafuya. 3B: CSI, Hogue, HR: CSI, Hopson, Brailsford, G.C.C., Daye, Downing.

No. 9 Pima, Ariz. 6, CSI 5, eight innings
CSI 610 202 00 - 5 8 3
PCC 010 040 01 - 6 5 1
 Makings, Combs (6) and Schroeder, Contreras and Ortiz, W. Contreras, L. Combs.
 Extra-base hits - 2B: CSI, Surrage, P.C.C., Carpenter. 3B: HR: CSI, Ferguson 2, Brailsford, P.C.C., Medina.

Eastern Arizona 6, CSI 1
EA 000 000 1 - 13 2
CSI 200 220 x - 6 6 1
 Combs, Eckstein (6) and Webster, Hokianga and Dacosin, W. Hokianga, L. Combs.
 Extra-base hits - 3B: CSI, Ferguson, HR: EAC, Dacosin, Ishikawa, Martinez.

PREP ROUNDUP

Filer Boys Pull Away From Gooding

TIMES-NEWS

Austin Tews had 14 points, hitting three 3-pointers, as the Filer boys basketball team used big second and third quarters to pull away from Gooding, winning 58-48 on Saturday.

Marc Ramseyer had 13 points and Ryan Karel added 10 for Filer (13-4). Carter Florla led all scorers with 16 for Gooding (10-5) and teammate Jared Parke had 12.

The Senators are at Buhl Friday.

FILER 58, GOODING 48
Filer 13 12 18 15 - 58
Gooding 12 6 8 22 - 48
FILER (58)

L. Beard 4, A. Beard 4, Karel 10, Tews 14, Ramseyer 13, Peterson 2, Oyler 7, Krefl 5, Totals 17 20-31 58.
GOODING (48)
 Basterrechea 2, Arkoosh 8, Kast 3, Parke 12, Flora 16, Evans 4, Becker 3, Totals 18 5-13 48.
 3-point goals: Filer 4 (Tews 3, Oyler), Gooding 3 (Becker, Parke, Arkoosh), Total fouls: Filer 18, Gooding 20, Fouled out: Peterson, Becker, Basterrechea.

PRESTON 61, BURLEY 56

Burley played it close, down by two with just a minute remaining, but Preston hit its free throws down the stretch to seal the win over the visiting Bobcats.

Jason Boehmer led Burley with 15 points and Brandon Hosteen added 11.

Burley (10-5) hosts Jerome on Wednesday in a Great Basin Conference game.

Burley 19 16 7 14 - 56
Preston 12 26 10 13 - 61
BURLEY (56)

Knopp 3, Boehmer 15, Coltrin 3, Pilling 7, Carson 9, Garrard 8, Hosteen 11, Totals 22 5-7 56.

PRESTON (61)
 Rounds 4, Christensen 9, Smellie 6, Ward 14, Wakley 17, Hobbs 2, Alder 9, Totals 21 18-24 61.
 3-point goals: Burley 7 (Boehmer 3, Knopp, Coltrin, Pilling, Carson), Preston 1 (Christensen), Total fouls: Burley 19, Preston 10, Fouled out: Carson, Hosteen.

VALLEY 59, RAFT RIVER 26

Justin Johnson scored 18 points and Austin Shawver added 17 as Valley rolled past visiting Raft River Saturday night.

Valley (13-1) travels to Declo Tuesday for a key Canyon Conference matchup.

Raft river 8 9 7 2 - 26
Valley 16 20 17 6 - 59
RAFT RIVER (26)
 Higley 4, Zollinger 7, Logan 4, Guadarama 5, Maldonado 3, Fenn 1, Steed 2, Totals 8 9-19 26.
VALLEY (59)

Johnson 18, Keele 1, Juarez 2, Orozco 4, Shawver 17, Mora 4, Arteaga 2, Cauhorn 11, Totals 25 5-12 59.
 3-point goals: Raft River 2 (Guadarama, Zollinger), Valley 4 (Johnson 3, Mora), Total fouls: Raft River 12, Valley 14.

DECLO 56, WENDELL 48
 Alex Swainston scored a game-high 22 but Wendell couldn't overcome sluggish starts to each half.

Kai Garner led Declo (10-5, 3-2 Canyon) with 18 points.

Wendell (1-12, 0-5) hosts Kimberly on Tuesday.

Declo 14 11 18 13 - 56
Wendell 6 18 12 12 - 48
DECLO (56)

Garner 18, Smyer 6, Wrigley 9, Baker 6, Hansen 8, Harard 3, Webb 4, Heward 2, Totals 22 8-9 46.
WENDELL (48)
 Swainston 22, Kelly 1, Southfield 6, Mendes 6, Valadez 7, Bunn 8, Totals 21 2-5 48.
 3-point goals: Declo 4 (Garner 4), Wendell 6 (Swainston 5, Valadez), Total fouls: Declo 11, Wendell 11.



(ABOVE) Minico's Joseph Valencia, top, wrestles the 220-pound championship against Caldwell's Gabriel Escobedo at the Red Halverson Invitational Saturday at Minico High School. Valencia won the match 7-2. (BELOW) Braydon Metcalf, right, of Canyon Ridge reaches for the leg of Buhl's Stephen Mejia during the 152-pound championship. Metcalf won the match 6-1.

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so I sat there and tight-waisted him,” Metcalf said.

Metcalf and Mejia were among five area wrestlers to reach the finals, along with Minico's David Borden and Joseph Valencia, and Jerome's Layne Lasike.

In the 170-pound championship, Borden and Caldwell's Brad Ferguson each got hold of a leg in the first two rounds, but couldn't capitalize.

Finally in the third round Borden shot again, pulled Ferguson back to the center of the mat and finished him off with a takedown with less than a minute remaining to win 3-1.

“I just try to approach every match the same,” Borden said. “I take it one point at a time and just focus on the next thing. I try my hardest when I have an opportunity to get the point.”

In the 220-pound final, Valencia broke a 2-2 tie with less than 50 seconds remaining with a takedown and subsequent near fall to win a 7-2 decision over Gabriel Escobedo of Caldwell.

“In my mind I was saying I’ve come too far to lose and I’m not going to lose,” Valencia said. “When we were tied up at the end I felt like I had the advantage, but I felt like he calmed down a little in the match. That’s when I decided to take that shot and take advantage.”

Lasike lost the 285-pound final by pin to Highland's Gaylen Edmo.

In the team scoring, Centennial earned 256 points to win its second Halverson title in a row. Minico was the top local team, finishing fourth.

Most Outstanding Wrestler honors went to Kuna's 120-pound Michael Cook in the lower weights and Rigby's 182-pound Colter Tucker in the upper weights.

Other top area finishers included Buhl's Oren Carlton (third at 220), and Minico's Blake Gilchrist (third at 98) and Alberto Ramirez (third at 132).

One of the best non-championship matches of the day was a battle for fifth place at 195 pounds between Minico's Salvador Gutierrez and Burley's Juan Labra.



The rivals had previously met four times this season, with Gutierrez winning each time, including an overtime victory during Friday's quarterfinals.

But on Saturday Labra finally bested his rival, breaking a tie with a takedown with two seconds remaining for a thrilling 5-3 decision.

“The difference was I tried to wear him down and get to that third round, that’s where I knew I could beat him,” Labra said.

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Saturday's results
 Final team standings: 1. Centennial 256, 2. Kuna 218.5, 3. Caldwell 160, 4. Minico 144.5, 5. Blackfoot 142.5, 6. Highland 121, 7. Nampa 107, 8. Jerome 90, 9. Snake River 84, 10. Bonneville 77.5, 11. Borah 74, 12. Pocatello 70, 13. Preston 64.5, 14. Mountain Home 51, 15. Rigby 50, 16. Buhl 46.5, 17. Canyon Ridge 40, 18. Burley 14, 19. Kimberly 10.5, 20. Twin Falls 8.
 Individual results (Top 6 placers)
 98 pounds: 1. Casey Cobb, Kuna; 2. Treyton Nilson, Snake River; 3. Blake Gilchrist, Minico; 4. Justin Beck, Nampa; 5. Hyatt Henderson, Blackfoot; 6. Kolby Smith, Pocatello.
 106: 1. Mikel Perales, Nampa; 2. Robert Gomez, Caldwell; 3. Peter Gregory, Preston; 4. Justin Holman, Bonneville; 5. Jake Frost, Snake River; 6. Riley Thacker, Jerome.

113: 1. Brandon Ashford, Centennial; 2. Skyler Valentine, Snake River; 3. Tony Gonzales, Caldwell; 4. Kohl Bingham, Blackfoot; 5. Cameron Dietrich, Preston; 6. Andre Aguinaga, Pocatello.
 120: 1. Michael Cook, Kuna; 2. Taylor Higbee, Pocatello; 3. Jace Johnson, Centennial; 4. Felipe Contreras, Caldwell; 5. Chase Wasia, Blackfoot; 6. Mitch Haber, Highland.
 126: 1. Dakota Wall, Centennial; 2. Jeremy Robbins, Blackfoot; 3. Rylee Hobbs, River; 4. Isai Alvarado, Minico; 5. Tyler Jaramillo, Kuna; 6. Alex Leblanc, Canyon Ridge.
 132: 1. Hayden Tuma, Centennial; 2. Kurtis Loftis, Kuna; 3. Alberto Ramirez, Minico; 4. Tate Hansen, Blackfoot; 5. Michael Gonzales, Caldwell; 6. Braxton Jensen, Pocatello.
 138: 1. Ruben Pulido, Blackfoot; 2. Austen Acosta, Borah; 3. Zac Cobb, Kuna; 4. Kenny Raymes, Centennial; 5. Riggs Quayle, Highland; 6. Austin Gilchrist, Minico.
 145: 1. Brennan Bell, Highland; 2. Kris McFarlane, Centennial; 3. Jordan Nolan, Kuna; 4. Ryan Goldsby, Mountain Home; 5. Alex Del Rosa, Caldwell; 6. Jon Horak, Blackfoot.
 152: 1. Braydon Metcalf, Canyon Ridge; 2. Stephen Mejia, Buhl; 3. Mikal Sanchez, Kuna; 4. Levi Reynolds, Centennial; 5. Jeremy Hansen, Bonneville; 6. Jeronimo Contreras, Caldwell.
 160: 1. Austin Dewey, Centennial; 2. Joey Dondoro, Kuna; 3. Andre Lopez, Highland; 4. Zach Argyle, Jerome; 5. Junior Pantoja, Caldwell; 6. Cade Nykamp, Bonneville.
 170: 1. David Borden, Minico; 2. Brad Ferguson, Caldwell; 3. Preston Andersen, Rigby; 4. Wilson Kroll, Borah; 5. Chris Alvarez, Nampa; 6. Kaden Curtis, Highland.
 182: 1. Colter Tucker, Rigby; 2. Jake Evans, Centennial; 3. Colter Carter, Snake River; 4. Arnold Zavala, Jerome; 5. Eric Thrift, Borah; 6. Jacoby Regalado, Nampa.
 195: 1. Jon Fisher, Centennial; 2. Cory Calhoun, Kuna; 3. Robbie Nelms, Caldwell; 4. Jordan Vielma, Bonneville; 5. Juan Labra, Burley; 6. Salvador Gutierrez, Minico.
 220: 1. Joseph Valencia, Minico; 2. Gabriel Escobedo, Caldwell; 3. Oren Carlton, Buhl; 4. Chance Jensen, Blackfoot; 5. Jon Ryan, Mountain Home; 6. Garrett Kasper, Centennial.
 285: 1. Gaylen Edmo, Highland; 2. Layne Lasike, Jerome; 3. Sam Solis, Kuna; 4. Alan Rice, Bonneville; 5. Dakota Madrid, Minico; 6. Mike Gordon, Mountain Home.

DRY SPELL CONTINUES FOR CSI WOMEN

TIMES-NEWS

When it desperately needed a bucket Saturday, the College of Southern Idaho women's basketball team had no one to



turn to. CSI took a one-point lead with about six minutes left, but Salt Lake leaned on its top scorers down the stretch to drop the Golden Eagles 55-47 in Salt Lake City.

It's the third straight loss for CSI, which slips to 10-12 overall and 2-5 in Scenic West play. The Golden Eagles sit fourth in the SWAC, tied with Salt Lake (11-9, 2-5).

CSI held a 29-23 lead at halftime, with Mechela Barnes and Gabriela Borges each hitting two 3-pointers apiece and the defense held Salt Lake to just 26 percent shooting from the field.

The Golden Eagles unraveled in the second half, however.

They were outscored 32-18, shot 0-for-5 from 3-point range and suffered through a 5 minute, 29 second scoring drought.

Kylee Schierman hit a jumper with 12:55 on the clock to make the score 38-36 Salt Lake. The Golden Eagles wouldn't score again until a Taylor Gipson three-point play — her only points of the game — with 7:26 re-

maining. And yet they were still down just one point.

Chakala Carthen made a jumper to give the Golden Eagles a 41-40 lead on their next possession, but Salt Lake ripped off an 8-0 run, with six points coming from Nicole Newbold, to take a 48-41 lead and essentially put the game away.

Carthen made a pair of free throws with 3:38 remaining, but the Golden Eagles didn't get another bucket until a Megan Tanner layup with 1:07 left made it 52-45.

Newbold finished with 13 points and Sofia Hepworth led Salt Lake with 15.

Carthen led CSI with 11 points, but shot just 3-for-11. Schierman added 10 as the Golden Eagles shot just 31 percent.

CSI is back at home this week, hosting SWAC leader North Idaho on Saturday.

CSI (47)
 Borges 2-4 1-2 7, Gipson 1-8 1-1 3, Dent 0-1 1-2, Schierman 2-5 0-0 4, Prestwich 0-0 0-0 0, Tanner 5-7 0-0 10, Barnes 3-11 1-1 9, Carthen 3-11 5-6 11, Saint-Felix 1-8 0-0 2, Liepina 0-0 0-0 0, Totals 17-55 9-12 47.
SALT LAKE (55)
 Walker 2-3 2-2 6, Harless 0-2 0-0 0, Hepworth 4-10 4-12, Morgan 0-3 0-0 4, Shurtz 2-4 0-0 2, Marchand 2-7 1-8, Necherman 7-7, Salt Lake 3-13 3-4 9, McDonnell 1-4 0-0 2, Totals 19-55 14-23 55.
 Halftime: CSI 29, Salt Lake 23, 3-point goals: CSI 4-13 (Borges 2-2, Gipson 0-2, Schierman 0-1, Barnes 2-6, Carthen 0-2), Salt Lake 3-9 (Morgan 0-3, Shurtz 2-2, Marchand 1-2, Newbold 0-1, Fawn 0-1), Rebounds: CSI 43 (Necherman 7), Salt Lake 36 (Newbold 8), Assists: CSI 7 (Gipson 2), Salt Lake 12 (Hepworth 4), Turnovers: CSI 21, Salt Lake 11, Total fouls: CSI 17, Salt Lake 15, Fouled out: CSI, Carthen.

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ball game,” Gosar said. “The team has bought in and I’ve

bought into this team’s ability to gut out wins.”

Guthrie and Sebastian Michineau each scored 10 points and Santo had 12 for the Golden Eagles, who host

North Idaho on Saturday.

CSI (62)
 Swilling 1-11 0-0 2, Harris 7-17 4-4 21, Attila 0-1 0-0 0, Santo 3-3 6-8 12, Guthrie 4-10 1-4 10, Egwunwu 0-2 0-0 0, Michineau 3-4 2-2 10, Bunch 3-5 1-3 7, Totals 21-53 14-21 62.
SALT LAKE (60)
 Carthran 1-8 0-0 2, Emery 1-1 2-2 4, Kindred 5-11 2-14 13, Ambrosino 2-5 1-2 6, Halford 3-5 2-2 10.

Rex 3-4 1-5 7, Garrett 3-11 1-1 7, Horne 3-7 2-2 9, Cheesman 1-5 0-0 2, Totals 25-57 11-18 60.
 Halftime: CSI 30, Salt Lake 30, 3-point goals: CSI 6-15 (Swilling 0-5, Harris 3-6, Attila 0-1, Guthrie 1-1, Michineau 0-2), Salt Lake 5-16 (Carthran 0-5, Kindred 1-3, Ambrosino 1-2, Halford 2-2, Garrett 0-2, Horne 1-2), Rebounds: CSI 40 (Guthrie 8), Salt Lake 7 (Garrett 7), Assists: CSI 8 (Guthrie 3), Salt Lake 16 (Kindred 5), Turnovers: CSI 20, Salt Lake 17, Total fouls: CSI 17, Salt Lake 18, Fouled out: none, Technical fouls: Bunch.



Goalies Can Skate, Too

Jonathan Quick, right, of the Los Angeles Kings, races Detroit Red Wings' Jimmy Howard during the fastest skater event at the NHL All-Star skills hockey competition in Ottawa, Ontario, on Saturday.

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Odds

NFL Pro Bowl At Honolulu

FAVORITE	OPEN	TODAY	O/U	UNDERDOG
NFC	3½	4	(74)	AFC

Feb. 5 Super Bowl At Indianapolis

New England	3½	3	(55)	N.Y. Giants
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NCAA BASKETBALL

FAVORITE	LINE	UNDERDOG
at UConn	9	Notre Dame
Miami	8	at Boston College
at Ohio St.	14½	Michigan
at South Florida	7½	Providence
at Indiana	10½	Iowa
at North Carolina	22	Georgia Tech
at South Alabama	5½	Troy
at Oregon	1½	Oregon St.
at Evansville	3½	at Indiana St.
at California	8½	Stanford
at Fairfield	16½	Marist
at Rider	4½	Siena
Loyola (Md.)	10½	at Canisius
Manhattan	2	at Niagara
Montana	2	at Portland St.
Iona	13	at St. Peter's

NBA

FAVORITE	LINE	UNDERDOG
at Miami	4½	Chicago
at New Jersey	5	Toronto
at Boston	7	Cleveland
at Orlando	3	Indiana
at Dallas	3½	San Antonio
at Minnesota	PK	L.A. Lakers
Atlanta	4	at New Orleans
at Denver	5	L.A. Clippers

NBA All Times MST EASTERN

ATLANTIC	W	L	Pct	GB
Philadelphia	14	6	.700	-
Boston	9	7	.560	4
New York	7	13	.350	7
New Jersey	7	13	.350	7
Toronto	6	14	.300	8

SOUTHEAST	W	L	Pct	GB
Miami	14	5	.737	-
Atlanta	14	6	.700	½
Orlando	12	7	.632	2
Washington	4	16	.200	10½
Charlotte	3	18	.143	12

CENTRAL	W	L	Pct	GB
Chicago	17	4	.810	-
Indiana	12	6	.667	3½
Milwaukee	8	11	.421	8
Cleveland	7	11	.389	8½
Detroit	4	17	.190	13

WESTERN	W	L	Pct	GB
Houston	12	8	.600	-
San Antonio	12	8	.600	-
Dallas	12	8	.600	-
Memphis	10	9	.526	1½
New Orleans	4	15	.211	7½

NORTHWEST	W	L	Pct	GB
Oklahoma City	16	3	.842	-
Denver	11	5	.737	2
Utah	11	7	.611	4½
Portland	12	8	.600	4½
Minnesota	9	10	.474	7

PACIFIC	W	L	Pct	GB
L.A. Clippers	10	6	.625	-
L.A. Lakers	11	9	.550	1
Phoenix	7	12	.368	4½
Golden State	6	12	.333	5
Sacramento	6	14	.300	6

Friday's Games

Philadelphia 83, Charlotte 72
 Boston 94, Indiana 87
 New Jersey 99, Cleveland 96
 Atlanta 107, Detroit 101, OT
 Chicago 107, Milwaukee 100
 Houston 103, Washington 76
 New Orleans 93, Orlando 67
 Minnesota 87, San Antonio 79
 Miami 99, New York 89
 Dallas 116, Utah 101
 Denver 96, Toronto 81
 Portland 109, Phoenix 121
 Oklahoma City 120, Golden State 109

Saturday's Games

Washington 132, Charlotte 99
 Philadelphia 95, Detroit 74
 Houston 92, New York 84
 Milwaukee 100, L.A. Lakers 89
 Phoenix 86, Memphis 84
 Utah 96, Sacramento 93

Sunday's Games

Chicago at Miami, 1:30 p.m.
 Cleveland at Boston, 4 p.m.
 Toronto at New Jersey, 4 p.m.
 Indiana at Orlando, 4 p.m.
 San Antonio at Dallas, 4:30 p.m.
 Atlanta at New Orleans, 5 p.m.
 L.A. Lakers at Minnesota, 5 p.m.
 L.A. Clippers at Denver, 6 p.m.

Monday's Games

Chicago at Washington, 5 p.m.
 Orlando at Philadelphia, 5 p.m.
 New Orleans at Miami, 5:30 p.m.
 Minnesota at Houston, 6 p.m.
 San Antonio at Memphis, 6 p.m.
 Detroit at Milwaukee, 6 p.m.
 Dallas at Phoenix, 7 p.m.
 Portland at Utah, 7 p.m.
 Oklahoma City at L.A. Clippers, 8:30 p.m.

College Basketball

MEN'S SCORES

Far West
 Arizona 71, Washington St. 67
 Cal Poly 67, UC Davis 65
 Colorado St. 77, San Diego St. 60
 E. Washington 69, Montana 62
 Idaho St. 64, Weber St. 62
 Loyola Marymount 62, Portland 59
 New Mexico 71, TCU 54
 New Mexico St. 60, Fresno St. 56
 S. Utah 62, South Dakota 60
 Sacramento St. 77, Northern Ariz. 43
 Saint Mary's (Cal.) 80, BYU 66
 UC Irvine 65, UC Riverside 57

UC Santa Barbara 56, Pacific 53
 UCLA 77, Colorado 60
 UNLV 65, Air Force 63, OT
 Utah St. 82, San Jose St. 65
 Utah Valley 81, NJIT 58
 Washington 69, Arizona 67
 Wyoming 75, Boise St. 64

Midwest
 Akron 71, Cent. Michigan 64
 Buffalo 76, N. Illinois 59
 Cleveland St. 67, Youngstown St. 47
 Creighton 73, Bradley 59
 E. Michigan 55, Bowling Green 50
 Green Bay 80, Butler 68
 Illinois St. 60, S. Illinois 40
 Iowa St. 72, Kansas 64
 Kent St. 77, Toledo 61
 Minnesota 77, Illinois 72, OT
 Ohio St. Ball St. 55
 Missouri 63, Texas Tech 50
 Missouri St. 63, N. Iowa 51
 N. Dakota St. 78, Oakland 75
 North Dakota 71, Chicago St. 61
 Ohio St. 73, Miami 67
 Oklahoma 63, Kansas St. 60
 Purdue 58, Northwestern 56
 Rhode Island 86, Dayton 81
 S. Dakota St. 74, IPFW 43
 Valparaiso 55, Milwaukee 52
 W. Illinois 57, IUPUI 55
 W. Michigan 73, Miami (Ohio) 64

Southeast
 Baylor 76, Texas 71
 Grambling St. 60, Ark.-Pine Bluff 55
 Houston 81, UTEP 76, OT
 Lamar 80, Nicholls St. 56
 North Texas 76, Arkansas 57
 Oral Roberts 77, UMKC 67
 Rice 88, Tulane 74
 Stephen F. Austin 64, Texas A&M-CC 49
 Texas A&M 76, Oklahoma St. 61
 Texas-Arlington 82, Texas St. 79
 Texas-Pan American 81, Houston Baptist 71
 Tulsa 66, SMU 60
 UALR 64, Denver 57
 UTSA 78, Sam Houston St. 66

South
 Alabama 72, Arkansas 66
 Appalachian St. 81, Elon 66
 Austin Peay 92, UFMartin 73
 Belmont 65, Jacksonville 71
 Charleston Southern 75, Presbyterian 64
 Clemson 71, Wake Forest 60
 Coastal Carolina 70, Gardner-Webb 56
 Coppin St. 73, Hampton 70
 Delaware St. 76, NC Central 70
 Duke 83, St. John's 76
 East Carolina 73, UAB 66
 Florida 69, Mississippi St. 57
 Florida A&M 68, Bethune-Cookman 62
 Florida Gulf Coast 92, Kennesaw St. 74
 Furman 67, The Citadel 58
 George Mason 89, James Madison 79
 Georgia Southern 75, Chattanooga 72
 High Point 52, Winthrop 47
 Jacksonville 76, SIUEdwardsville 65
 Kentucky 74, LSU 50
 Liberty 67, Radford 65
 Louisiana-Lafayette 67, Louisiana-Monroe 60
 MVSU 60, Jackson St. 54
 Maryland 73, Virginia Tech 69
 Memphis 75, Marshall 76
 Mercer 75, Stetson 64
 Mississippi 66, South Carolina 62
 Morehead St. 56, Tennessee Tech 50
 Murray St. 73, E. Illinois 58
 NC A&T 91, Mid-Eastern Shore 66
 Nevada 65, Louisiana Tech 63
 Norfolk 76, Morgan 59
 North Florida 71, Lipscomb 59
 Northwestern St. 55, SE Louisiana 38
 Old Dominion 68, William & Mary 54
 Prairie View 64, Alabama St. 57
 Samford 77, Davidson 74
 Savannah St. 71, Howard 50
 Southern Miss 78, UCF 55
 Southern Ill. 65, Alcorn St. 54
 Tennessee 64, Auburn 49
 Tennessee St. 91, E. Kentucky 85, 2OT
 Texas Southern 73, Alabama A&M 61
 UNC Asheville 95, Campbell 84
 UNC Greensboro 89, W. Carolina 86, OT
 VCU 59, Georgia St. 52
 Vanderbilt 84, Middle Tennessee 77
 Virginia 61, NC State 60
 W. Kentucky 61, FIU 51
 Wolford 68, Coll. of Charleston 59
 Xavier 74, Charlotte 70

UTAH ST. 82, SAN JOSE ST. 65

SAN JOSE ST. (7-15)
 Smith 2-4 3-4 7, Carter 5-9 4-7 14, Brown 1-0 0-3 3, Jones 4-6 1-2 9, Kinney 9-16 0-0 21, Williams 0-0 0-0 0, Moor 1-2 0-0 2, Douglas 3-9 2-2 9, Pennington 0-2 0-0 0, Ton 0-0 0-0 0, Ballard 0-1 0-0 0, Totals 25-59 10-15 65.

UTAH ST. (0-10)
 Grim 4-6 2-3 10, Reed 7-9 7-7 21, Paine 5-13 2-2 15, Berger 0-2 2-2 2, Medlin 5-10 2-2 15, Clifford 0-3 0-0 0, Thuseby 0-1 0-0 0, Farris 2-5 0-0 4, Brunel 5-6 1-2 15, Stone 0-0 0-0 0, Premasunac 0-0 0-0 0, Totals 28-58 16-18 82.

WOMEN'S SCORES

Far West
 Arizona 57, Washington 53
 BYU 74, Santa Clara 64
 CS Northridge 54, CS Bakersfield 52
 Cal Poly 67, UC Davis 65
 St. Fulleton 74, Long Beach St. 53
 E. Washington 66, Montana St. 52
 Gonzaga 75, Saint Mary's (Cal.) 70
 Idaho St. 54, Weber St. 52
 Louisiana Tech 69, New Mexico St. 42
 Loyola Marymount 68, Portland 60
 Montana 78, Portland St. 56
 N. Arizona 94, Sacramento St. 56
 Oregon St. 67, Oregon 60
 Pacific 52, UC Santa Barbara 48
 San Diego 70, Pepperdine 39
 San Diego St. 66, Colorado St. 57
 San Jose St. 86, Nevada 79
 South Dakota 68, S. Utah 40
 Stanford 74, California 71, OT
 UNLV 63, Air Force 47
 Utah 63, Southern Cal 55
 Utah St. 78, Idaho 70
 Washington St. 78, Arizona 68
 Wyoming 84, Boise St. 64

Midwest
 Bowling Green 77, Cent. Michigan 72, OT
 Butler 76, Milwaukee 63
 Detroit 50, Cleveland St. 43
 E. Michigan 91, Akron 46
 Green Bay 65, Valparaiso 37
 IUPUI 68, W. Illinois 64, OT
 Ill. Chicago 57, Loyola of Chicago 56
 Indiana 59, Purdue 42
 Miami (Ohio) 72, Ball St. 61
 N. Illinois 66, Kent St. 55
 North Dakota 77, Chicago St. 68
 Oakland 68, N. Dakota St. 52
 Ohio 72, W. Michigan 59
 Oklahoma 62, Missouri 59
 Richmond 63, Saint Louis 45
 S. Dakota St. 76, IPFW 66
 Wright St. 71, Youngstown St. 66, OT

Southeast
 Baylor 74, Kansas 46
 Cent. Arkansas 71, McNeese St. 70, 2OT
 Denver 60, IU 50
 Grambling St. 69, Ark.-Pine Bluff 56
 Kansas St. 67, Oklahoma St. 56
 North Texas 68, Arkansas St. 54
 Oral Roberts 83, UMKC 70
 Rice 58, Houston 50
 Sam Houston St. 67, UTSA 55
 Stephen F. Austin 69, Texas A&M-CC 57
 TCU 63, New Mexico 56
 Texas St. 90, Texas-Arlington 73
 Texas Tech 75, Texas 71
 Texas-Pan American 55, Houston Baptist 41

South
 Alabama A&M 56, Texas Southern 53
 Alabama St. 67, Prairie View 53
 Appalachian St. 78, Furman 63
 Belmont 68, Jacksonville 62
 Campbell 53, Presbyterian 44
 Charleston Southern 69, Coastal Carolina 66
 Chattanooga 63, UNC Greensboro 44
 Coll. of Charleston 47, Georgia Southern 44
 Coppin St. 69, Hampton 66, OT
 Delaware St. 66, NC Central 55
 E. Illinois 77, Jacksonville St. 55
 FIU 60, W. Kentucky 56
 Florida A&M 65, Bethune-Cookman 51
 Florida Gulf Coast 58, Kennesaw St. 51
 High Point 58, Winthrop 53
 Howard 64, Savannah 51
 Liberty 78, UNC Asheville 56
 Lipscomb 73, North Florida 64
 Louisiana-Monroe 66, Louisiana-Lafayette 35
 Louisville 62, Villanova 58
 Louisiana Tech 66, Louisiana-Lafayette 35
 Louisville 62, Villanova 58
 Marquette 82, Villanova 78
 Monmouth (N.J.) 78, Bryant 68
 Mount St. Mary's 81, Sacred Heart 80, 2OT
 Northeastern 58, Hofstra 51
 Pittsburg 72, Georgetown 60
 Rutgers 61, Cincinnati 51
 St. Bonaventure 62, Richmond 47
 St. Francis (NY) 81, Robert Morris 68
 Syracuse 63, West Virginia 61
 Temple 78, Saint Joseph's 60
 Towson 66, UNC Wilmington 61
 UMass 72, Saint Louis 59
 Wagner 51, Quinnipiac 50
 Yale 62, Dartmouth 50

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Saturday
Abu Dhabi Golf Club (National Course)
United Arab Emirates
Purse: \$2.7 million
Yards: 7,510 • Par: 72

Year	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
70-69	66-205					
69-70	66-205					
74-69	64-207					
67-72	68-207					
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70-70	67-212					
72-71	67-213					
71-75	68-214					
71-72	67-216					
72-74	68-224					

NHL All Times MST EASTERN

ATLANTIC	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
N.Y. Rangers	47	31	12	4	66	132	96
Philadelphia	48	29	14	5	63	162	142
Pittsburgh	49	28	17	4	60	152	127
New Jersey	48	26	19	3	55	129	136
N.Y. Islanders	48	19	22	7	45	115	143

NORTHEAST	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Boston	47	31	14	2	64	171	102
Ottawa	52	27	19	6	60	157	160
Toronto	49	25	19	5	55	151	147
Montreal	49	19	21	9	47	130	134
Buffalo	49	24	23	4	45	119	144

SOUTHEAST	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Florida	48	22	15	11	55	122	136
Washington	48	26	19	3	55	136	137
Tampa Bay	50	22	22	6	50	124	143
Carolina	48	21	23	4	46	136	161
N.Y. Islanders	48	18	24	9	45	130	159

NHL All Times MST WESTERN

CENTRAL	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Detroit	50	33	16	1	67	160	117
St. Louis	49	13	7	6	124	102	102
Chicago	50	29	15	6	64	162	144
Nashville	50	30	16	4	64	140	127
Columbus	49	13	30	6	32	115	163

NBA ROUNDUP



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Sacramento Kings guard Jimmer Fredette (7) falls out of bounds while defended by Utah Jazz guard Earl Watson (11) during the first half of an NBA game Saturday in Salt Lake City.

Hayward, Jazz Spoil Jimmer's Return to Utah in 96-93 Win

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SALT LAKE CITY • Gordon Hayward scored a season-high 21 points and C.J. Miles added 20 as the Utah Jazz snapped a two-game losing streak, defeating Sacramento 96-93 and spoiling Jimmer Fredette's return to the state where "Jimmermania" began.

Fredette had a chance to give the Kings the win with 4.2 seconds left, but launched an air-ball 3-pointer.

Hayward's free throw sealed it for Utah (11-7).

Tyreke Evans led Sacramento (6-14) with 31 points on 12-of-20 shooting.

Fredette, a former Brigham Young star and last year's national player of the year, finished with 14 points and 3 of 5 from beyond the arc. But he was just 5 of 13 overall.

The Kings were down 13 points in the fourth quarter, but Evans and Isaiah Thomas brought them back.

Evans' 5-footer with 30 seconds left pulled Sacramento within 95-93, and Devin Harris missed a free throw, setting the stage for Fredette. He missed.

Fredette received a standing ovation from many fans during pregame introductions, with a few scattered boos.

BUCKS 100, LAKERS 89 MILWAUKEE • Drew Gooden scored 23 points and the undermanned Milwaukee Bucks made sure the Lakers' road struggles continued.

Kobe Bryant scored 27 for the Lakers, who are 1-7 on the road this season.

Ersan Ilyasova and Mike Dunleavy added 15 points each for the Bucks, who managed to beat the Lakers without two of their best players.

Already scrambling to compensate for the long-term absence of injured center Andrew Bogut, the Bucks found themselves without guard/forward Stephen Jackson on Saturday because of an NBA suspension.

SUNS 86, GRIZZLIES 84 PHOENIX • Jared Dudley made two free throws with 3.3 seconds remaining to lift Phoenix over Memphis.

Dudley finished with a season-high 20 points,

Steve Nash added 21 and Marcin Gortat finished with 13 points and 12 rebounds for the Suns, who snapped a three-game losing streak.

Rudy Gay and Marc Gasol had 18 points each and Mike Conley added 15 for the Grizzlies, who have dropped three straight after a season-best seven-game winning streak.

ROCKETS 97, KNICKS 84 HOUSTON • Chase Budinger scored 19 points, Samuel Dalembert grabbed 14 rebounds and the Houston Rockets picked up their ninth win in 10 games.

Jordan Hill had 14 points and 11 rebounds, Courtney Lee scored 14 points in place of the injured Kevin Martin, and the Rockets shot 49 percent (38 of 77) to improve to 9-2 at home this season.

Houston blew open a close game in the third quarter as the Knicks' offense sputtered again. New York failed to reach 90 points for the fifth time in seven games. Amare Stoudemire scored 23 points and Tyson Chandler added 14 for the Knicks, who again played without the injured Carmelo Anthony.

WIZARDS 102, BOBCATS 99 CHARLOTTE, N.C. • JaVale McGee scored 22 points and had 10 rebounds as the Washington Wizards defeated the Charlotte Bobcats for the second time in a week.

The matchup between two teams tied for the fewest wins in the NBA came down to the final shot, but Matt Carroll's 3-point attempt at the buzzer fell short.

Kemba Walker became only the third Bobcats player to register a triple-double, recording 20 points, 10 rebounds and 11 assists.

76ERS 95, PISTONS 74 PHILADELPHIA • Andre Iguodala recorded the eighth triple-double of his career with 10 points, 10 assists and 10 rebounds, and the Philadelphia 76ers won their second straight game.

Iguodala, who turned 28 on Saturday, received a nice ovation from the crowd when he secured his triple-double with a defensive rebound with 7:34 remaining.

TOP 25 COLLEGE HOOPS ROUNDUP

NO. 1 KENTUCKY ROLLS LSU

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BATON ROUGE, La. • Terrence Jones highlighted a 27-point performance with a 13-0 run on his own and No. 1 Kentucky pulled away in the second half for a 74-50 win over struggling LSU on Saturday.

Anthony Davis had 16 points and 10 rebounds despite briefly leaving the game when he hurt his right shoulder in a scramble for a loose ball.

Darius Miller added 13 points, including three 3-pointers for Kentucky (21-1, 7-0 Southeastern Conference), which has won 13 straight.

Johnny O'Bryant III had 12 points and nine rebounds for LSU (12-9, 2-5), which has lost four of five.

Jones had the last four points of the first half, then helped Kentucky break the game open by scoring the first nine of the second half on two dunks, a fast-break layup and another basket inside as he was fouled. His last of 13 straight points in the game gave Kentucky a 44-26 lead.

NO. 2 MISSOURI 63, TEXAS TECH 50 COLUMBIA, Mo. • Kim English scored 19 points in the first half, Marcus Denmon added 13 after the break and Missouri had just enough to avoid a second straight upset with a shaky victory over Texas Tech.

Jaye Crockett had 11 points and 11 rebounds and Ty Nurse scored 13 for Texas Tech (7-13, 0-8 Big 12), which shaved a 15-point deficit to seven on Clark Lammert's 3-pointer off the glass at the shot-clock buzzer with 2:36 to go.

Missouri (19-2, 6-2) finished with six straight points, including Ricardo Ratliffe's dunk in transition with a minute left after English blocked a shot and then saved the ball from going out of bounds.

NO. 3 SYRACUSE 63, WEST VIRGINIA 61 SYRACUSE, N.Y. • Brandon Triche had 18 points, including a pair of free throws that broke the final tie with 88 seconds left, and Syracuse beat West Virginia.

After Triche's free throws, the Mountaineers missed four straight shots, including an airball 3 by Darryl "Truck" Bryant and a miss on the follow by Deniz Kilicli. But when Kris Joseph snared the rebound and tried to dribble away, he fell out of bounds with 6.2 seconds left, giving West Virginia one last chance. Kevin Jones missed a 3 from the left corner at the buzzer



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Colorado State's Will Bell (23) reacts after a slam dunk against San Diego State during the first half of an NCAA basketball game, Saturday in Fort Collins Colo. CSU won 77-60.

and Syracuse hung on.

IOWA STATE 72, NO. 5 KANSAS 64 AMES, Iowa • Royce White had 18 points and nine rebounds as Iowa State upset Kansas, snapping the Jayhawks' winning streak at 10 games.

Melvin Ejim added 15 points for the Cyclones (15-6, 5-3 Big 12), who had lost 13 straight to Kansas since their last victory in 2005.

NO. 6 BAYLOR 76, TEXAS 71 WACO, Texas • Perry Jones III scored 22 points and grabbed a career-high 14 rebounds, former College of Southern Idaho star Pierre Jackson hit the go-ahead 3-pointer and Baylor withstood a second-half rally to beat Texas.

Baylor (19-2, 6-2 Big 12) led by 12 early in the second half before J'Covan Brown led a charge that helped the Longhorns tie the game.

Jackson's 3-pointer gave the Bears a 69-66 lead with 2:36 left, and they hit seven free throws down the stretch to seal the victory.

NO. 8 DUKE 83, ST. JOHN'S 76 DURHAM, N.C. • Mason Plumlee had 15 points and a career-high 17 rebounds to help Duke hold off St. John's.

Ryan Kelly scored 16 points and Andre Dawkins added 14 for the Blue Devils (18-3), who led by 22 with 17 minutes left but shot just 30 percent in the second half while the Red Storm rallied.

Moe Harkless had 30 points and 13 rebounds for St. John's (9-12). He and D'Angelo Harrison each hit 3-pointers in the final minute to make things tense.

PITTSBURGH 72, NO. 9 GEORGETOWN 60 PITTSBURGH • Nasir Robinson scored 23 points and made all nine of his field goal attempts to lead Pittsburgh

past Georgetown.

Lamar Patterson added 18 points, seven assists and four rebounds for the Panthers (13-9, 2-7 Big East), who never trailed while improving to 12-0 against Top 10 teams at the Petersen Events Center.

NO. 11 MURRAY STATE 73, EASTERN ILLINOIS 58 MURRAY, Ky. • Donte Poole and Isaiah Canaan each scored 18 points, and Murray State remained the only unbeaten team in Division I with a victory over Eastern Illinois.

Poole also had six assists and four rebounds while Ed Daniel grabbed a game-high 12 rebounds for the Racers (21-0, 9-0 Ohio Valley Conference). Murray State tied the OVC record for longest winning streak set by Western Kentucky with 21 consecutive victories in 1953-54 and 1966-67.

NO. 12 UNLV 65, AIR FORCE 63, OT AIR FORCE ACADEMY, Colo. • Chace Stanback stole a Todd Fletcher pass with two seconds remaining in overtime to help No. 12 UNLV escape.

Oscar Bellfield hit a 3-pointer with 2:28 left in overtime to break a 61-61 tie to give the Rebels (20-3, 4-1 Mountain West) the lead for good. Mike Moser's game-high 27 points and 12 rebounds led UNLV.

Michael Lyons, who led Air Force with 25 points, had a chance to win the game in regulation, but missed a shot with three seconds remaining.

COLORADO STATE 77, NO. 13 SAN DIEGO STATE 60 FORT COLLINS, Colo. • Wes Eikmeier scored 19 points and Colorado State made all 23 of its free throws, beating San Diego State for its first home win over a ranked team in more than eight years.

Will Bell added 17 points and the Rams (14-6, 3-2 Mountain West) frustrated

the fatigued Aztecs (18-3, 4-1) all afternoon, limiting them to 3-of-21 shooting from 3-point range.

NO. 14 FLORIDA 69, NO. 18 MISSISSIPPI ST. 57 GAINESVILLE, Fla. • Bradley Beal scored 19 points, Patric Young made several crowd-rousing plays and Florida beat Mississippi State, extending its home winning streak to 17 games.

The Gators (17-4, 5-1 Southeastern Conference) used an 11-0 run in the second half — sparked by Beal's third 3-pointer and highlighted by Young's two dunks — to turn a tight game into a double-digit affair.

NO. 15 CREIGHTON 73, BRADLEY 59 OMAHA, Neb. • Doug McDermott scored 24 points and Creighton turned back two Bradley comeback attempts in the second half.

A school-record crowd of 18,436 watched as the Bluejays (20-2, 9-1 Missouri Valley Conference) won their 10th straight. Bradley (6-17, 1-10) has lost 13 of 14.

NO. 17 MARQUETTE 82, VILLANOVA 78 PHILADELPHIA • Darius Johnson-Odom scored 26 points to help Marquette storm back from an 18-point deficit and beat Villanova.

Jae Crowder had 20 points and 11 rebounds for Marquette (18-4, 7-2 Big East) and played just as big a role in the second half as Johnson-Odom in helping the Golden Eagles win their sixth straight game.

NO. 19 VIRGINIA 61, N.C. STATE 60 RALEIGH, N.C. • Mike Scott scored 18 points to help Virginia beat North Carolina State.

Joe Harris and Sammy Zeglinski each added 12 for the Cavaliers (17-3, 4-2 Atlantic Coast Conference), who shot 60 percent in the first half to take the lead and then turned away a second-half rally.

OKLAHOMA 63, NO. 22 KANSAS STATE 60 MANHATTAN, Kan. • Steven Pledger scored 30 points and Oklahoma weathered a second-half charge by Kansas State and some tense moments down the stretch to give coach Lon Kruger a victory over his former team.

Sam Grooms made a key steal in the closing minute and two free throws with 5 seconds left for the Sooners (13-7, 3-5 Big 12), who watched as Rodney McGruder's potential tying 3-pointer at the buzzer bounced off the back iron.

REGIONAL ROUNDUP

WYOMING STYMIES BSU MEN

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BOISE • Wyoming coach Larry Shyatt doesn't mind references to his squad not being the prettiest basketball team in the land.

Looks can be deceiving and they certainly were Saturday when the defense-minded Cowboys shot a season-best 65.8 percent while recording a 75-64 victory over Boise State.

"We still know who we're not," Shyatt said. "We don't try to pretend we're somebody we're not. It's a little ugly but that's OK. That's who we are."

Luke Martinez scored 17 points and Francisco Cruz added 16 as the Cowboys (17-4, 3-2 Mountain West) continue a surprising turnaround in Shyatt's first season as coach.

Wyoming allowed more than 60 points for just the third time all season but led by as many as 22 points while handing Boise State (10-10, 0-5) its sixth straight loss.

Joe Hanstad scored a season-high 13 points, Ryan Watkins added 12 and Tre' Nichols scored 11 for the Broncos.

"It's really tough," Boise State coach Leon Rice said. "There comes a time where you just want them to get rewarded for some hard work. You look around, and there's



DARIN OSWALD • IDAHO STATESMAN

Boise State guard Tre' Nichols wrestles away the ball from Wyoming's Shakir Smith during an NCAA college basketball game Saturday in Boise.

just nowhere to come up for air in this league."

Wyoming never gave the Broncos a chance to get comfortable and took an early 12-4 lead after back-to-back 3-pointers by Cruz and Leonard Washington. The Cowboys led by as many as 15 in the half and shot 63.2 percent en route to a 33-20 half-time lead.

Wyoming continued the assault deep into the second half and its lead was 53-31 after Washington's three-point play with less than 11 minutes left.

IDAHO STATE 64, WEBER STATE 62 POCATELLO • Kenny Mc-

Gowen hit a 3-pointer from the right corner as the buzzer sounded to help Idaho State upset Weber State.

McGowen's 19 points led the Bengals (7-14, 5-4 Big Sky), who won their third game in a row and fourth in their last five. Andre Hatchett added 12 and Chase Grabau 10.

Scott Bamforth led the Wildcats (16-4, 8-1) with 17 points. Damian Lillard scored 15, well below his nation-leading average of 24.8, and Kyle Bullinger added 12.

The loss broke Weber State's 10-game winning streak.

Idaho State led most of the

way and had a 54-47 advantage until the Wildcats used a 9-1 run to go ahead 56-55 on Bullinger's 3-pointer with 5:46 remaining. With Weber State up 62-61, Lillard missed a shot, and Grabau rebounded with 14 seconds left. He then fed McGowen for the game-winner.

UTAH STATE 82, SAN JOSE STATE 65 LOGAN, Utah • Kyisean Reed scored 21 points and Brockeith Pane and Preston Medlin added 15 apiece to lead Utah State.

Former College of Southern Idaho standout Mitch Bruneel also had a career-high 15 points off the bench for the Aggies (12-10, 4-3 WAC) and Morgan Grim added 10. Utah State had five scorers in double figures for the second game in a row.

NO. 21 ST. MARY'S 80, BYU 66

PROVO, Utah • Brad Waldow scored 19 points and Clint Steindl added 16 off the bench to lead No. 21 St. Mary's.

The Gaels (21-3, 10-0 West Coast) also got 13 points and nine rebounds from Rob Jones.

St. Mary's leading scorer Matthew Dellavedova had 10 points.

The Cougars (18-6, 6-3) were led by Noah Hartsock and Matt Carlino, who scored 15 points. Brandon Davies added 14 points and seven rebounds.

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Colts, Manning Heading for Split

The idea didn't seem so outlandish at the time. Not for a city about to open a spanking new \$720 million stadium, and surely not for a team with Peyton Manning under center.

Hosting a Super Bowl would put Indianapolis on the map, sure. Give residents something to do, too, like talk to those people with the funny accents from New York or ride the new zip lines downtown.

But couldn't Colts fans dream of the day when their team became the first home team to play in the big game?

They could, and they did. It wasn't the biggest stretch, either, because the Colts had already won a Super Bowl behind Manning and were coming off a 13-3 regular season when the game was awarded to Indianapolis in the spring of 2008.

Then Manning got hurt. And the Colts went south in less time than it takes to complete a warmup lap at the Speedway.

Now, on the eve of what was supposed to be a glorious week in Indianapolis, the home team is a dysfunctional mess.

A joint statement issued Friday by Manning and Colts owner Jim Irsay claimed otherwise, though that was to be expected. The dirty laundry aired publicly the previous few days was so distasteful that something had to be said to get the attention off the home team and back on a game that means so much to the city's pride.

The self-styled great protector of the horseshoe himself — that would be Irsay — says it was all a misunderstanding. Surely not anything that a good talk between friends — or, say, a payment of \$28 million — couldn't resolve.

Manning got the talk. Whether he gets the check will ultimately determine just how friendly the owner and his quarterback really are.

The Colts seem ready to move on without the face of their franchise, a player so valuable that they may not have been able to build their new stadium without him. Manning transformed a woeful franchise into a perennial playoff contender, taking the Colts to two Super Bowls and winning one. The prospect of even better times ahead helped Indianapolis residents swallow the increased taxes they were forced to pony up for the new stadium, which opened in 2008.

The NFL gave the city a Super Bowl as a reward, something that seems to have boosted civic pride even if few area residents will actually get inside the Lucas Oil Stadium for the event. As an added bonus, it gave Colts fans a chance



to forget about a 2-14 season that was doomed the moment the first rumors about Manning's health began circulating during the summer.

But Irsay couldn't stop firing people. Manning couldn't keep his mouth shut.

And instead of happy chatter about the Super Bowl coming to town, the buzz in Indy in recent days has been a definite downer.

There's a Manning playing in the Super Bowl, but it's the wrong one. And the chances of Peyton Manning — still recovering from three neck surgeries — playing another down for the Colts seem to be about as good as the chances Indianapolis ever lands another Super Bowl.

He's owed \$28 million by March 8 if the Colts are to keep him, but that's just part of the problem. The Colts are almost sure to use their No. 1 draft pick on Stanford's Andrew Luck, and it doesn't make much sense to be paying millions of dollars to two different quarterbacks — especially if there's no guarantee Manning will even be healthy enough to play again.

In Irsay's defense, there's no real template on how to handle this. Money aside, he still has to think about the future of the team, and that future likely doesn't include an aging and suddenly fragile Manning.

Irsay already sacked much of the front office and the coaching staff, something that clearly upset Manning. He's in the midst of rebuilding the Colts, and has to be looking at Luck as the new face of the franchise, much like Manning was when the Colts picked him No. 1 in the 1998 draft.

That it came down to the owner and the star player sniping at each other this week was perhaps inevitable. Decision time is coming, and it's becoming increasingly clear what that decision has to be.

Odds are Manning is done playing for the Colts, perhaps even done playing football entirely. Those reading tea leaves surely noted that the joint statement Manning and Irsay issued on Friday contained no reference to Manning playing for the team again, no reassurance that he was healing and would be able to play quarterback again.

For the next week the big question in Indianapolis will be who wins the Super Bowl.

For Colts fans, though, there's an even bigger question to be answered once the game is over.

GOLF ROUNDUP



Tiger Woods plays a ball in sand on the 17th hole during the third round of Abu Dhabi HSBC Championship Saturday in Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates.

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Woods Shares Abu Dhabi Lead After Three Rounds

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ABU DHABI, United Arab Emirates • Tiger Woods put himself in position to win his second straight tournament Saturday, and this one would leave little doubt about which direction his game is going.

On Saturday, against the strongest field golf has seen in at least three months, Woods shot a 6-under 66 for a share of the lead with Robert Rock going into the final round of the Abu Dhabi Golf Championship.

The topic suddenly shifts from the state of his swing and his health. Woods has a 55-8 record worldwide when he has at least a share of the lead going into the final

round, and a win would be the first time since August 2009 that he has won consecutive starts.

More than being atop the leaderboard, it's how Woods got there.

"It's fun when I'm able to control the golf ball like I did," Woods said.

There wasn't a lot of fist-pumping from Woods, who traded drama for consistency, racking up six birdies in a bogey-free round. It was a memorable performance by the American, mostly for his ability to hit fairways, tame the par 5s and sink clutch putts — including a 6-footer for birdie on the final hole.

"It just seemed like I didn't do a lot of things right but

I didn't do a lot of things wrong today, it was just very consistent," Woods said. "You know, made a couple putts here and there. ... I stayed away from trouble and tried to keep the ball towards the fat side of some of these pins, and I think I did a pretty good job."

Woods finished at 11-under 205. Rock, at No. 117 in the world, birdied his final two holes to join Woods in the last group along with Peter Hanson, who had a 64 and was two shots behind.

Also two back at 9-under 207 were Rory McIlroy, who played with Woods for the third straight day and had a 68, keeping the No. 3 player very much in the picture.

Francesco Molinari (66) and Paul Lawrie (68) also were tied for third. George Coetzee (65), James Kingston (67), overnight leader Thorbjorn Olesen (71) and Jean-Baptiste Gonnet (69) were another shot back.

STANLEY BUILDS 5-SHOT LEAD AT TORREY PINES SAN DIEGO • Kyle Stanley overpowered Torrey Pines and opened a five-shot lead Saturday in the Farmers Insurance Open.

Stanley missed a 4-foot birdie putt on the 18th hole that would have set the 54-hole tournament record. He settled for a 4-under 68, a spot in the record book with Tiger Woods, and great position as he goes after his first PGA Tour win Sunday.

He was at 18-under 198, matching the record set by Woods in 1998.

John Huh, a PGA Tour rookie out of Q-school, also had a 68 and was at 13-under 203, along with John Rollins.

Wambach, Sinclair Both at 129 as U.S. Plays Canada

BY JOSEPH WHITE

Associated Press

VANCOUVER, British Columbia • Abby Wambach and Christine Sinclair have spent the last two weeks chasing each other, chasing history and chasing a place in the London Olympics.

Part three has been accomplished. Wambach and the U.S. women's soccer team qualified for the Summer Games on Friday night by beating Costa Rica. Sinclair and the Canadians punched their ticket a couple of hours later with a win over Mexico.

Now for a little competitive fun. The United States and Canada play each other today in the championship game of the qualifying tournament. With the Olympic berths settled, the game is essentially for bragging rights between neighboring rivals.

"You try telling the players it's a glorified friendly when they play against the U.S.," Canada coach John Herdman

said. "Nah. The sleeves are off straightaway."

The teams feature the two most prolific active goal-scorers in the world, and they have been putting on a show at BC Place.

Wambach and Sinclair played on alternate nights during the group phase of the tournament, and it almost seemed as if one was trying to top the other. Sinclair opened with four goals against Haiti; Wambach followed with a pair against the Dominican Republic. Sinclair got one against Cuba; Wambach notched two against Guatemala.

Wambach then went silent — scoreless against Mexico and Costa Rica — while Sinclair added two more against both teams.

Where do they stand now? It's a tie. They have 129 career goals apiece. They've both passed Germany's Birgit Prinz to move into third place all-time, one behind Kristine Lilly and still quite a few behind Mia Hamm's world-

record 158.

"I think it's just going to be a matter of time whenever Sincy or I end up breaking Mia's record," Wambach said. "Obviously we want to stay healthy and contribute to goals scored for our team. But, quite honestly, I've said this from the beginning — I'd give away every record, individual, that I've ever won for a world championship, and I think that Sincy would probably say the same thing."

"But it's cool, it's amazing to be alongside such a fantastic soccer player like her. She's the essence of the blue-collar worker, coming from a country who generally speaking hasn't competed well in the world championships."

Wambach didn't stop there. She also called Sinclair "the most underrated player in the whole world" and "probably the best all-around player."

This is a goal-scoring race flush with mutual respect. "I actually think that mostly likely neither of us

think about it too much," Sinclair said. "We both play on successful national teams, and we both play forward for that team, and we're expected to score goals. Usually when the U.S. or Canada is winning, it involves us scoring."

They have different playing styles. Wambach is always hanging around the goal, and has the best header in the women's game. Sinclair has been playing a more withdrawn position to give her more versatility on the attack.

Their personalities are different as well. Wambach has the gift of gab, while Sinclair is more of a reluctant star. For many years, she was just about the only reason to watch the Canadian women's team, although the talent around her has improved considerably in recent years.

"Canada is a very good side — with the exception of Sinclair," Mexico coach Leonardo Cuellar said. "She's in another world."

AUSTRALIAN OPEN



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Victoria Azarenka of Belarus celebrates after defeating Maria Sharapova of Russia during the women's singles final at the Australian Open tennis championship, in Melbourne, Australia Saturday.

AZARENKA ROUTS SHARAPOVA TO WIN TITLE

BY JOHN PYE

Associated Press

MELBOURNE, Australia • Victoria Azarenka started celebrating, then suddenly did a double-take to ask her coach, "What happened?"

The answer: She had just produced one of the most lopsided Australian Open final victories to capture a Grand Slam title and the No. 1 ranking for the first time.

Azarenka routed three-time Grand Slam winner Maria Sharapova 6-3, 6-0 in 1 hour, 22 minutes on Saturday night, winning 12 of the last 13 games after dropping her first service game and falling behind 2-0.

"It's a dream come true," she said. "I have been dreaming and working so hard to win the Grand Slam, and being No. 1 is pretty good bonus. Just the perfect ending and

the perfect position to be in."

Azarenka had won 11 straight matches, including a run to the Sydney International title, and reached her first Grand Slam final. Her previous best performance at a major was a semifinal loss to Petra Kvitova at Wimbledon last year. Sharapova had all the experience, being in her sixth major final and having won three — dating to her 2004 Wimbledon title.

But it didn't unnerve the 22-year-old Azarenka, the first woman from Belarus to win a singles major. She's also the seventh different woman to win a Grand Slam since Francesca Schiavone won the 1910 French Open, and the fifth different winner in as many majors.

Azarenka became only the third woman to earn the No. 1 spot after winning her first major title. She moved from

No. 3 to No. 1 in the rankings, helped by Caroline Wozniacki's loss in the quarterfinals.

The third-seeded Azarenka set up championship point with a stunning forehand, her 14th clean winner, and sealed it when Sharapova netted a backhand.

She dropped to her knees at the baseline with her hands over her face. She got up, held her hands up and jogged over to her coach, Sam Sumyk, in the stands to celebrate.

"The best feeling, for sure," Azarenka said. "I don't know about the game. I don't know what I was doing out there. It's just pure joy what happened. I can't believe it's over." And she paid special credit to her grandmother, "the person who inspires me the most in my life."

Azarenka has been a distinctive presence at Melbourne Park as much for her

shrieks and hoots with each shot and seemingly boundless energy as for her white shorts, blue singlet and lime green head and wrist bands.

Against Sharapova, she maintained the frenetic movement that has been the hallmark of her performance in Australia, her 25th consecutive major. She won the Sydney International title last weekend and is on a 12-match winning streak — the first player since 2004 to win a WTA tour event the week before winning a major.

"She did everything better than I did today. I had a good first couple of games, and that was about it," Sharapova said. "Then she was the one that was taking the first ball and hitting it deep and aggressive. I was always the one running around like a rabbit, you know, trying to play catch-up all the time."

BURLEY/RUPERT FORECAST

Today: Increasing clouds today. High 45.

Tonight: Staying mostly cloudy. Low 29.

Tomorrow: Some snow, but mostly rain arrives. High 42.

ALMANAC - BURLEY

Temperature		Precipitation	
Yesterday's High	39°	Yesterday's	0.00"
Yesterday's Low	20°	Month to Date	2.30"
Normal High / Low	36° / 16°	Avg. Month to Date	0.86"
Record High	55° in 1998	Water Year to Date	4.50"
Record Low	-25° in 1949	Avg. Water Year to Date	3.63"

IDAHO'S FORECAST

SUN VALLEY, SURROUNDING MTS.
Clouds will say mostly cloudy through the day today. Tomorrow moisture returns to the region in the form of snow.

BOISE
Today Highs/Lows 30's / 20's to 30's
Tonight's Lows 20's to 30's
Clouds will increase across the region today as the next storm system arrives. Rain developing overnight tonight.

NORTHERN UTAH
Today Highs/Lows 40's / 20's to 30's
Mostly sunny today with temperatures a bit warmer. Tomorrow snow and rain return to the region.

Yesterday's State Extremes - High: 44 at Twin Falls Low: -19 at Stanley
weather key: su-sunny, pc-partly cloudy, mc-mostly cloudy, c-cloudy, th-thunderstorms, sh-showers, r-rain, sn-snow, fl-furries, w-wind, m-missing

TWIN FALLS FIVE-DAY FORECAST

Today	Tonight	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
Additional cloud cover	Staing clouds	Some scattered showers arrive	More rain is possible	Drying out	Starting to warm
High 46°	Low 30°	44° / 30°	43° / 26°	42° / 27°	45° / 27°

ALMANAC - TWIN FALLS

Temperature		Precipitation		Humidity		Barometric Pressure		Sunrise and Sunset	
Yesterday's High	44°	Yesterday's	0.00"	Yesterday's High	66%	5 pm Yesterday	30.45 in.	Today	Sunrise: 7:55 AM
Yesterday's Low	24°	Month to Date	2.10"	Yesterday's Low	19%			Monday	Sunrise: 7:54 AM
Normal High / Low	36° / 19°	Avg. Month to Date	1.03"	Today's Forecast Avg.	66%			Tuesday	Sunrise: 7:53 AM
Record High	54° in 2003	Water Year to Date	4.25"					Wednesday	Sunrise: 7:52 AM
Record Low	-9° in 1980	Avg. Water Year to Date	4.34"	A water year runs from Oct. 1 to Sept. 30					

Moon Phases

First	Full	Last	New
Jan. 31	Feb. 7	Feb. 14	Feb. 21

REGIONAL FORECAST

City	Today	Tomorrow	Tuesday
Boise	44 32 mc	46 29 sh	44 29 sh
Bonnors Ferry	40 34 mx	40 29 ls	41 29 ls
Burley	45 29 pc	42 30 mx	39 30 pc
Challis	39 25 mc	38 21 ls	33 21 pc
Coeur d'Alene	39 33 r	39 31 ls	39 31 ls
Elko, NV	45 21 pc	42 21 ls	39 21 ls
Eugene, OR	49 39 r	48 38 r	49 38 r
Gooding	38 28 mc	39 28 sh	39 28 pc
Grace	35 21 pc	34 23 ls	29 23 ls
Hagerman	45 29 mc	45 30 sh	45 30 pc
Hailey	37 23 pc	35 21 ls	31 21 ls
Idaho Falls	36 24 pc	36 27 ls	32 27 pc
Kalispell, MT	42 30 mx	41 26 sh	38 26 mx
Jerome	41 29 mc	41 28 sh	40 28 mx
Lewiston	48 38 r	47 35 sh	46 35 sh
Malad City	38 24 pc	37 26 mx	34 26 ls
Malta	41 28 pc	40 29 mx	38 29 pc
McCall	35 23 mc	34 19 ls	33 19 ls
Missoula, MT	42 30 r	40 27 mx	40 27 mx
Pocatello	41 28 pc	40 32 ls	36 32 ls
Portland, OR	48 39 r	48 38 r	48 38 r
Rupert	44 28 pc	43 30 mx	40 30 pc
Rexburg	33 22 mc	34 25 ls	29 25 ls
Richland, WA	45 38 r	49 36 sh	46 36 sh
Rogerson	45 29 pc	37 24 ls	33 24 ls
Salmon	39 23 pc	36 19 mx	34 19 ls
Salt Lake City, UT	44 32 pc	43 30 mx	42 30 ls
Spokane, WA	40 33 r	40 29 mx	40 29 mx
Stanley	35 19 mc	32 12 ls	28 12 ls
Sun Valley	35 18 pc	31 14 ls	27 14 ls
Yellowstone, MT	27 12 ls	26 10 ls	24 10 ls

Moonrise and Moonset

Today	Moonrise: 10:38 AM	Moonset: none
Monday	Moonrise: 11:08 AM	Moonset: 12:47 AM
Tuesday	Moonrise: 11:41 AM	Moonset: 1:46 AM

NATIONAL FORECAST

City	Today	Tomorrow
Atlanta	58 31 su	62 35 pc
Atlanta City	49 29 pc	45 35 pc
Baltimore	45 29 mx	43 32 pc
Billings	53 32 pc	48 27 sh
Birmingham	57 32 su	62 38 su
Boston	44 29 pc	37 25 su
Charleston, SC	61 34 su	61 37 su
Charleston, WV	46 25 sh	48 33 pc
Chicago	30 22 ls	44 36 mc
Cleveland	33 23 ls	36 33 ls
Denver	61 34 pc	63 33 pc
Des Moines	36 29 pc	36 27 ls
Detroit	31 20 su	33 33 su
El Paso	59 35 su	67 44 su
Fairbanks	-19 -20 pc	-10 -11 pc
Fargo	19 19 ls	37 24 mc
Honolulu	79 68 sh	79 68 sh
Houston	63 44 su	68 58 pc
Indianapolis	36 25 ls	48 38 pc
Jacksonville	65 44 pc	64 46 su
Kansas City	47 34 pc	64 43 pc
Las Vegas	62 42 pc	63 43 pc
Little Rock	59 33 su	63 45 pc
Los Angeles	75 48 su	69 47 pc
Memphis	58 38 su	64 45 su
Miami	77 66 sh	76 67 sh
Milwaukee	26 20 pc	41 33 ls
Nashville	51 32 pc	59 39 pc
New Orleans	61 42 su	67 54 pc
New York	45 31 pc	38 32 pc
Oklahoma City	60 36 su	65 45 pc
Omaha	44 28 pc	58 34 pc

CANADIAN FORECAST

City	Today	Tomorrow
Calgary	37 25 pc	35 21 pc
Cranbrook	30 19 ls	31 15 ls
Edmonton	36 28 ls	35 21 pc
Kelowna	29 10 ls	31 18 ls
Lethbridge	40 30 pc	40 25 pc
Regina	32 11 pc	32 10 pc

Today's U. V. Index

Low	Moderate	High
1	3	5
7	10	

The higher the index the more sun protection needed

Yesterday's Weather

City	Hi	Lo	Prcp
Boise	42	23	0.00"
Challis	36	6	0.00"
Coeur d'Alene	35	23	0.00"
Idaho Falls	32	17	0.00"
Jerome	36	18	0.00"
Lewiston	n/a	n/a	n/a
Lowell	38	24	0.00"
Malad City	n/a	n/a	n/a
Malta	n/a	n/a	n/a
Pocatello	37	17	0.00"
Rexburg	25	17	0.00"
Salmon	30	9	0.00"
Stanley	19	-19	0.00"
Sun Valley	29	-4	0.10"

WORLD FORECAST

City	Today	Tomorrow
Acapulco	86 73 th	88 74 pc
Athens	47 40 sh	45 37 ls
Auckland	67 58 sh	70 60 sh
Bangkok	91 78 sh	91 78 sh
Beijing	27 13 pc	26 9 pc
Berlin	27 17 pc	25 14 pc
Buenos Aires	89 68 pc	93 70 pc
Cairo	65 49 pc	59 47 r
Dhahran	68 61 pc	66 58 pc
Geneva	32 13 ls	30 24 ls
Hong Kong	65 59 pc	65 61 pc
Jerusalem	59 46 pc	54 47 r
Johannesburg	78 55 sh	79 56 sh
Kuwait City	66 49 pc	64 54 pc
London	42 29 sh	38 28 ls
Mexico City	58 42 sh	63 47 sh
Moscow	3 -8 pc	-1 11 pc
Nairobi	79 51 pc	76 52 pc
Oslo	23 18 pc	22 14 pc
Paris	39 29 pc	36 25 pc
Prague	30 19 pc	29 16 pc
Rio de Janeiro	76 65 th	77 67 sh
Rome	54 41 pc	55 42 pc
Santiago	83 51 pc	83 50 pc
Seoul	20 9 pc	19 6 pc
Sydney	91 66 sh	92 65 sh
Taipei	59 55 sh	60 56 r
Tokyo	37 28 pc	41 29 pc
Vienna	33 21 pc	32 19 pc
Warsaw	16 5 pc	12 6 pc
Winnipeg	14 14 pc	24 11 pc
Zurich	30 13 ls	29 15 ls

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Valid to 6 p.m. today
Yesterday's National Extremes:
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Low: -19 at Stanley, Idaho

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Senior Bowl

Continued from Sports 1

Foles almost got the South back in it earlier, but his fourth-down pass from the 13 was incomplete with 3:59 left in the third quarter.

He had the best stat line of the six quarterbacks.

Foles was 11-of-15 passing for 136 yards and the TD, and was the only South quarterback who wasn't picked off.

San Diego State's Ryan Lindley was 10 of 21 for 103 yards and also was intercepted once. Oklahoma State's 28-year-old Brandon Weeden started for the South but was picked off

twice on nine attempts, completing five passes for 56 yards.

Cousins put the North ahead 20-6 early in the second half with a 41-yard touchdown pass to Arizona State's Gerrell Robinson. The 6-foot-3, 223-pound Robinson caught it coming across the middle and raced down the right sideline.

It was the second time on the drive Cousins had thrown for a nice gain on third down, hitting T.J. Graham (North Carolina State) for 22 yards earlier.

The North's Kendall Reyes of Connecticut had two sacks.

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A second Comment Period for the 2012 HOME Administrative Plan will begin January 30th 2012 and end February 28th 2012.

The proposed 2012 HOME Administrative Plan with revised proposed changes will be available on line at <http://www.ihfa.org/ihfa/grant-programs/home-program.aspx> on January 30th.

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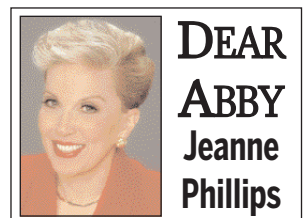
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DEAR ABBY
Jeanne Phillips

She insists I have the burner on too high when I'm making spaghetti, and it will somehow result in a catastrophe far worse than a ruined meal. I find it extremely annoying because I am 30, served my country honorably in Iraq, have been making spaghetti since I was 12 and have never caused any sort of kitchen fire.

My wife hasn't cooked for me in more than a year. That doesn't upset me because I know she works hard to earn money for our family. But if she doesn't cook for me and I'm not allowed to cook for me, then how am I supposed to eat?

Is there anything I can do to make my wife understand that I can be trusted to make a simple meal on a simple stove?

— PASTA GUY
IN PHILLY

DEAR PASTA GUY: Probably not, if you haven't been able to convey that message in more than a year. So insist that she stay out of the kitchen while you're cooking, or prepare your meals after she has left for work. Or expand your repertoire beyond spaghetti and make a salad instead.

DEAR ABBY: I'm a 15-year-old high school student with a wonderful life, but I'm not happy. I get good grades, have many great friends, a weekend job and an amazing boyfriend. (He's 17.)

The problem is I'm bored. I have had only one technical boyfriend besides the one I have now. I had two "flings" where I got involved with guys without an official or physical relationship. I know most teenagers would kill for a boyfriend like mine who tells them they're beautiful. But I want a relationship with ups and downs — drama and fighting. Am I crazy to want to date other people, or is this normal?

— LOST IN LOVE

DEAR LOST IN LOVE: You're not crazy. It is normal for some teenage girls to want variety. However, please don't equate the kind of drama you see on TV and in films with what real life is supposed to be about. Relationships filled with drama and fighting do not have happy outcomes. They can lead to bruised hearts and sometimes violence.

If you want to end the relationship with your boyfriend, by all means do so. But before you become involved in the kind of relationship you think would be exciting, please discuss it with your mother or another trusted adult, because a mature person with insight should share some of it with you.

DEAR ABBY: My mother gives gifts — sometimes very generous ones — but always with strings attached. She also keeps a record of which recipients have responded with appropriate gratitude (cards, phone calls) and those who have not. Those individuals on the "not" list are ridiculed behind their backs and slighted in other ways.

My mother considers herself a "good Christian," but I believe her actions are selfish, and I have conflicting emotions when I receive gifts from her. What do you think?

— CONFLICTED
IN WISCONSIN

DEAR CONFLICTED: I think you should always thank your mother graciously and appropriately for her generosity when she gives you a gift, if only because it is considered good manners.

SUDOKU

Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Conceptis Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

Conceptis Sudoku

By Dave Green

	4		3	9				
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Difficulty Level ★★★★★

1/29

Answer to previous puzzle

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6	4	1	3	7	2	5	8	9
8	7	4	9	1	5	2	3	6
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1	2	3	8	4	6	9	5	7

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Dear Mr. Wolff: Recently I had a ruling against us that I did not understand. My expert professional LHO bid one no-trump over my one-spade opening. My partner jumped to four spades, and after a long pause my RHO passed. When it came back to my LHO, he bid five clubs and found it to be a good save. Is this legal?

The Pause That Refreshes, Ketchikan, Alaska

ANSWER: After a break in tempo, as here, the way the director should consider if the pause pointed to taking the action selected by the player. If it did, was the selected action an automatic one or was there a logical alternative? If the answer to the first question is yes, then the director would adjust the score unless there was no logical alternative to the successful action. I'm guessing the director determined that a slow pass of four spades did not imply that the sacrifice would be successful.

Dear Mr. Wolff: I held ♠ K-10-9-4, ♥ K-10-5-3, ♦ 10-4-2, ♣ A-Q and was faced with the problem of whether to open in third seat and if so whether to open a major or a minor. What would you advise?

Lost Leader, Pleasanton, Calif.

ANSWER: In any seat but third, I would open one diamond. In third chair my diamonds look too weak for me to open one diamond. With a good four-card major I might select that instead — but I do not have one! I'll live with the one-diamond opening and hope my LHO does not overcall one no-trump.

Dear Mr. Wolff: In my bridge club we play the short club or diamond. If my partner bids one club or one diamond, can I pass, or must I bid the next step up?

Moving On, Great Falls, Mont.

ANSWER: I assume what you mean is that playing five-card majors, you can open either minor on a three-card suit, not a two-carder. If so, these opening bids are nonforcing, but you

may dredge up a response with a shortage in the suit opened. With a four-count and a five-card major but a singleton in partner's suit, I would indeed respond. I'd tend to pass one diamond more often than one club, since the former call does tend to deliver a real suit most of the time.

Dear Mr. Wolff: How would you raise your partner when the auction proceeds around the table one diamond — one spade — two clubs, to you, holding ♠ Q-10-3, ♥ K-10-3, ♦ K-10-5-3, ♣ K-10-4? At the table, I thought that a gentle cue-bid of two diamonds would suffice, since both opponents were bidding strongly. But it turned out that we missed a game.

Undercooked, Lorain, Ohio

ANSWER: You have not provided me with the responding hand, but I'd say you did just fine here. As a general rule the higher cue-bid (especially if it takes the auction up a level, as here) shows at least an opening bid. Your choice of the lower cue-bid suggested a sound raise to the two-level, and it is not clear that you have any more than that.

Dear Mr. Wolff: Last week I held one of the strongest hands I ever held. My RHO opened two diamonds and I was looking at ♠ A-K-10-8-7-5-3, ♥ A-K-Q-J-4, ♦ ---, ♣ Q. Should I double and then bid spades, ignoring the hearts; should I jump in spades; or is there a better approach? As the cards lie, partner has both minor-suit aces and a spade void, but seven hearts is cold.

Upward Bound, Harrisburg, Pa.

ANSWER: Cue-bidding to show a two-suiter with the majors seems a good way to start. The cue-bid (or even a call of four diamonds, showing the majors and a better hand) to be followed with five spades to show a hand with longer spades than hearts and 11 tricks in your own hand, might let partner bid seven hearts. Incidentally, jumping in spades should be strong, while doubling, then bidding or jumping in spades, is even stronger. But you can't ignore the hearts here.

For details of Bobby Wolff's autobiography, "The Lone Wolff," contact kay19072@aol.com. If you would like to contact Bobby Wolff, email him at bobbywolff@mindspring.com.

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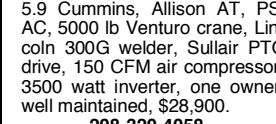
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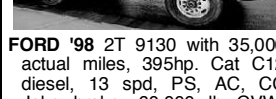
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Today's Highlight: On Jan. 29, 1845, Edgar Allan Poe's poem "The Raven" was first published in the New York Evening Mirror.

TODAY IN HISTORY

On this date: In 1820, Britain's King George III died at Windsor Castle.

In 1843, the 25th president of the United States, William McKinley, was born in Niles, Ohio.

In 1856, Britain's Queen Victoria introduced the Victoria Cross to reward military acts of valor during the Crimean War.

In 1861, Kansas became the 34th state of the Union.

In 1862, composer Frederick Delius was born in Bradford, Yorkshire, England.

In 1919, the ratification of the 18th Amendment to the Constitution, which launched Prohibition, was certified by Acting Secretary of State Frank L. Polk.

In 1929, The Seeing Eye, a New Jersey-based school which trains guide dogs to assist the blind, was incorporated by Dorothy Harrison Eustis and Morris Frank.

In 1936, the first members of baseball's Hall of Fame, including Ty Cobb and Babe Ruth, were named in Cooperstown, N.Y.

In 1963, the first members of pro football's Hall of Fame were named in Canton, Ohio. Poet Robert Frost died in Boston at age 88.

In 1979, President Jimmy Carter formally welcomed Chinese Vice Premier Deng Xiaoping to the White House, following the establishment of diplomatic relations.

In 1990, former Exxon Valdez skipper Joseph Hazelwood went on trial in Anchorage, Alaska, on charges stemming from the 1989 oil spill. (Hazelwood was acquitted of the major charges, and convicted of a misdemeanor.)

In 1998, a bomb rocked an abortion clinic in Birmingham, Ala., killing security guard Robert Sanderson and critically injuring nurse Emily Lyons. (The bomber, Eric Rudolph, was captured in May 2003 and is serving a life sentence.)

Ten years ago: In his first State of the Union address, President George W. Bush said terrorists were still threatening America — and he warned of "an axis of evil" consisting of North Korea, Iran and Iraq. Actor Harold Russell, who'd received two Oscars for his sensitive portrayal of a disabled veteran in "The Best Years of Our Lives," died in Needham, Mass., at age 88.

Five years ago: Deeply distrustful of Iran, President George W. Bush said in an interview with National Public Radio "we will respond firmly" if Tehran escalated its military actions in Iraq and threatened American forces or Iraqi citizens. A Palestinian suicide bomber killed three Israelis at a bakery in Eilat in the first such attack inside Israel in nine months. Kentucky Derby winner Barbaro was euthanized because of medical complications eight months after his gruesome breakdown at the Preakness. Miss Oklahoma Lauren Nelson was crowned Miss America at the pageant in Las Vegas.

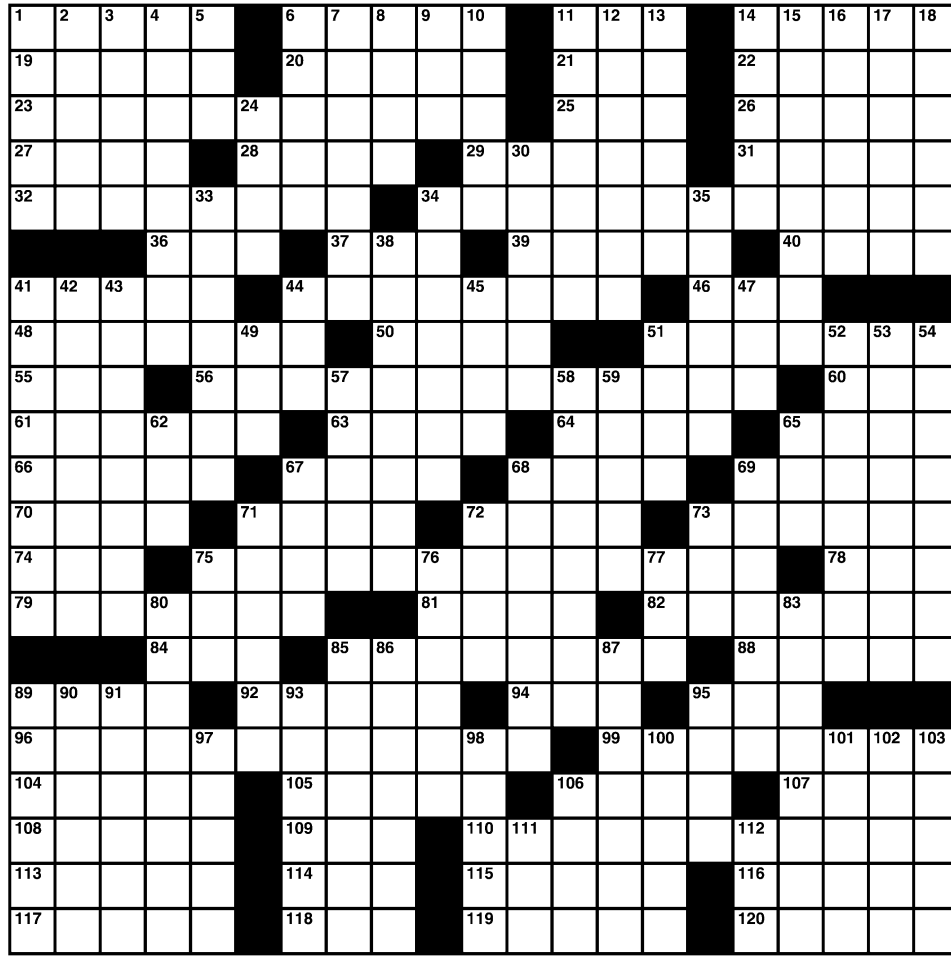
One year ago: With protests raging, Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak named his intelligence chief, Omar Suleiman, as his first-ever vice president as chaos engulfed Cairo. Kim Clijsters finally won her first Australian Open title and the fourth major of her career, after she beat Li Na 3-6, 6-3, 6-3. Alissa Czisny won her second title at the U.S. Figure Skating Championships, held in Greensboro, N.C. Avant-garde composer Milton Babbitt, 94, died in Princeton, N.J.

Sunday Crossword

Edited by Rich Norris and Joyce Nichols Lewis

OH, YOU! By John Lampkin

- ACROSS**
- One may be shot on location
 - High seas cries
 - Its debut airing was "Gone With the Wind"
 - Runs in place
 - Ready followers?
 - Disney duck
 - "I get it now!"
 - Quaffed
 - Parasite extermination overkill?
 - Web
 - Half an ice cream flavor
 - Front
 - Plus and minus: Abbr.
 - Striped cat
 - "...trifle!"
 - Speaker's opening, often
 - Lead actor in a war movie, at times?
 - Mouse catcher
 - Cavs, on scoreboards
 - Patriot Silas
 - Word after a trip
 - Togo neighbor
 - Easily startled
 - Mart opening
 - Not exaggerated
 - '30s Army bomber
 - Shapes again
 - Insurance fig.
 - Bit of culinary class practice?
 - Games org.
 - Kids often groan about them
 - Borscht base
 - Boot from office
 - Blue shade
 - How Santa dresses, for the most part
 - Building sites
 - Say "yea," say
 - Rashly reveal, with "out"
 - Ages and ages
 - Shed
 - Slapstick actor Jacques
 - Not apt to crow
 - Bemoan
 - Do-gooder's long-term goal?
 - 4 x 4, for short
 - __ of Hanover: pretzel brand
 - Detroit River outlet
 - Off base



- Former rib?
- Brutus, for one
- Sounds of hoarse play?
- Email: Abbr.
- Searches thoroughly
- Foreigners' subj.
- Dairy aisle amt.
- Cause for repeated whistle-blowing?
- Exposes
- Three-time Oscar-winning composer Maurice
- Metaphor, e.g.
- Drop shot
- Enjoyed a Harley
- Juke box favorite
- Harley, e.g.
- Lily-livered takeover?
- Smooth combination
- Dodge City-to-Topeka dir.
- App for European train travelers
- Partly edible agave that sounds disgusting
- Belts out
- Some Windows systems
- Pasta al __
- Belter Merman
- System of musical syllables
- Emulate Harry Connick Jr.
- Make used (to) repeated
- Payload container
- When a chanteuse gets hot?
- Get used (to)
- Nag
- Has title to
- USN clerk
- Versatile instrument, briefly
- They wag at parties
- Fastest feline
- Aleve alternative
- Dog collar dangler
- Jam session feature
- Not on time for
- Snare
- Ones needing a lift
- Chilly
- Salt additive
- Towered over
- Chilling spots
- Most fresh
- Opera 45-Down
- Harding Icefield sights
- Stratosphere or euphoria?
- Court figure
- __-mo
- Original words
- __ Zion Church
- Green and Gore
- Get up
- Cordials
- Gloomy train station?
- Disperses
- Aptly named fastener
- Like transients
- __ pie
- Court matter
- Munic. official
- Reed and Rawls
- Carousel circlers
- Lively Spanish dances
- To a greater degree
- "Gone With the Wind" plantation
- Not maj.
- Give some gas
- Come clean
- Sportscaster Scully
- Wanting
- Salon option
- Insult
- Slapstick trio
- Like hanky-panky
- Taking orders at the drive-thru window, etc.
- "Want me to?"
- Herb __
- Like some logical propositions
- '60s sitcom star Dick Van __
- Essentials
- Massenet opera about a legendary Spaniard
- Joint just aboveground
- Dog
- Elicit
- Sherpas' land
- Zoologist Fossey
- Otto I's realm: Abbr.
- "The Eyes of __": science show

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ARIES (March 21-April 19): When the tables are turned, you could lose your place at the head of the table. Although you might meet up with charming people and have romantic moments, you won't be in charge this week.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Those who travel fastest, travel alone. You, however, may prefer to have company. This week, you might easily sacrifice headway to have companionship and bask in the glow of admiration.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): You won't answer a call to arms because you have another calling. During the week ahead, when invited to be a party to contentiousness you seem to manage to shrug it off and evade the issues.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Sympathy can be a symphony that drowns out the sound of common sense. It may be better to gather facts before entering any agreements in the week ahead. Your advisers may be too optimistic.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Think tall. In the week to come, pull yourself up to your full height and stand tall even when tempted to stoop to do something underhanded. Elevate your thoughts to greater heights and the rest will follow.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Still waters run deep. You must strive to become aware of how someone else feels; you can't trust your intuitions. During the upcoming week, hidden emotional issues may become apparent.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): When you're hot, you're hot — but when you're not, you're not. Hidden hostilities outweigh your ability to charm others and get your way. Avoid confrontations and wait for better timing late in the week.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Children who are seen and not heard are probably impossible, if not absurd. In the week to come, you might enjoy contacts with those younger than yourself. Be prepared for a higher noise level.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Button-down sophistication is at odds with casual and rugged. You prefer to be comfortable. In the week ahead, people may mistakenly think that your relaxed appearance means you aren't alert.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): You have no intention of living a rowboat life. You refuse to move forward if it means continually looking back. In the week ahead, make admirable headway without churning up or slinging any mud.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Uphold your views. Remain polite when faced by opposition this week. You can't count on agreement with what you say or believe, but you can't afford to be seen as a hypocrite by those who disagree.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): The question of friend or foe must be faced. One can turn into the other. Backstabbing and gossip can spread like wildfire. Concentrate on being meticulous and concise with work in the week to come.

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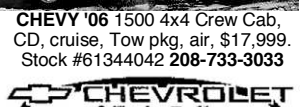
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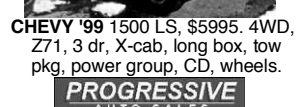
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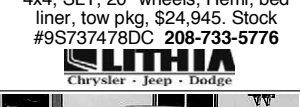
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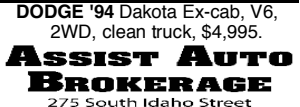
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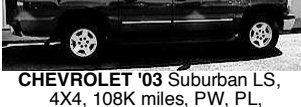
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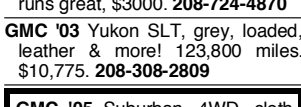


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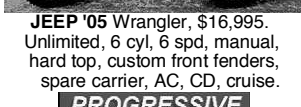
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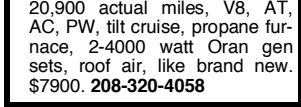
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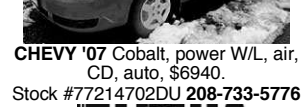
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A Champ's Comeback

Thumbing his nose at a setback, this Dietrich team roper still chases big cash prizes.

BY NATALIE DICOU
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DIETRICH • You know he's tough when he describes the pain of his thumb ripping off as a "sting."

But that's how roping champion Casey Perkins said it felt when the accident happened on Father's Day 2010. Too tough to quit, Perkins hasn't given up on his dreams of roping glory — and the 2012 season's big cash prizes — despite losing his thumb.

Nineteen months ago, Perkins was practicing roping at a friend's house when his

thumb got caught in rope coiled around the saddle horn. A steer was on the other end when the line tightened — with his thumb stuck inside. At first, he felt a sting, and didn't think anything of it.

"Until I looked down," Perkins said. "(My thumb) was just hanging there by a tendon."

The pain turned more intense. "It felt like my thumb was on a burning plate, and I couldn't take it off."

After his helicopter ride to Boise, doctors amputated his right thumb between the knuckles.

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Team roper Casey Perkins of Dietrich demonstrates how he trains for competitions Monday south of Twin Falls. Perkins has been competing for the past 13 years and lost a thumb while training in 2010.

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Rick Kellum, house manager for the Stepping Stones halfway house in Twin Falls, reacts as he talks about the importance of God in his life, in helping him to lead a sober lifestyle. PHOTOS BY ASHLEY SMITH • TIMES-NEWS

STEPPING UP

A new halfway house opens in Twin Falls to help former addicts stay on the straight and narrow.

BY ANDREW WEEKS
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TWIN FALLS • Rick Kellum stood outside the old two-story house with a group of other men and praised the Lord.

Choking back sobs on a sunny January morning, he described his recovery from years of drug abuse and more than two decades in prison.

He couldn't have overcome his addiction — or remained sober after being released — if it weren't for Jesus and a network of support

Step Forward

For information about Stepping Stones: Rick Kellum at 293-2826 or 736-2472.

from others, he said. Part of that network has come from group homes for recovering addicts.

Like the one he now is managing.

Kellum, in an effort to help others beset by similar problems, accepted a position to manage Stepping Stones, a

state-certified halfway house that can hold up to 20 men. Ten guys are staying at the home on Twin Falls' Maurice Street.

"My parole officer called and said there was an opportunity they'd like me to take," said Kellum, 50. At the time, he was staying at New Hope Transition Center, a similar home in downtown Twin Falls, where he lived and worked for two years after being released from prison. The offer to manage a home was something that played on his heart, he said, and

he accepted.

Stepping Stones, owned by Chad Roehl of California, formerly was used as a day care before becoming a halfway house in 2010, Kellum said. But it was under different management, and some of the guys who stayed at the home continued to have problems. The state stepped in and de-certified the home until it was put under new management, he said.

Playground equipment, left from the day care days, Please see **STEPPING UP, P6**

"My goal is to see that they get on their feet, that they can balance a check-book and budget money and can afford to live on their own. When that happens, I've pretty much done my job here."

Rick Kellum, manager of Stepping Stones, a state-certified halfway house



Rick Kellum, left, house manager for Stepping Stones, prays with other residents of the Twin Falls halfway house while they dedicate a new sign Jan. 10.

New Lego Line for Girls Is Offensive, Critics Say

BY SHARI ROAN
Los Angeles Times

Lego toys have always seemed pleasantly gender-neutral. Perhaps that's why the new Lego Friends line for girls has triggered a fair bit of protest from some health and equal-rights organizations.

The new line, whose characters sport slim figures and stylish clothes, will contribute to gender stereotyping that promotes body dissatisfaction in girls, said Carolyn Costin, an eating disorders specialist and founder of the Monte Nido Treatment Center in Malibu, Calif.

Online petitions have been started to protest the line, which includes a Butterfly Beauty Shop and a Your Fashion Designer Workshop. The International Association of Eating Disorder Professionals said the toys were "devoid of imagination and promote overt forms of sexism."

The toys send girls a message "that being pretty is more important than who you are or what you can do," Costin said in a statement.

Denmark-based Lego Group, however, said the Friends line was a response to consumer demand.

"We heard very clear

requests from moms and girls for more details and interior building, a brighter color palette, a more realistic figure, role play opportunities and a story line that they would find interesting," Mads Nipper, executive vice president of the privately held firm, said in a statement. "We want to correct any misinterpretation that Lego Friends is our only offering for girls. This is by no means the case. We know that many girls love to build and play with the wide variety of Lego products already available."

Anchoring Your Furniture Can Prevent Tragedy
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Anchoring Furniture Can Prevent Tragedy

BY MARY BETH BRECKENRIDGE
Akron Beacon Journal

AKRON, Ohio • Alexandra Errington thought her toddler was in bed.

But then she heard a crash and a scream “like I’ve never heard him scream before.”

The South Akron, Ohio, resident rushed to son Jordan’s room to find him on the floor, a dresser and TV set on top of him. The top of the dresser was pinning his legs up to his knees. The TV, which had sat atop the dresser, covered the 21-month-old from his thighs to his neck.

Errington doesn’t know whether Jordan got up to change the channel or to get something from one of the dresser drawers. All she knows is that somehow he pulled the whole thing over on top of him on a recent Tuesday night.

She’s not even sure how he managed it. “I didn’t think he was that strong,” she said.

Fortunately, Jordan suffered nothing worse than a bump on his head. He was taken to the emergency room at Akron Children’s Hospital and kept overnight, just in case.

Other children aren’t so lucky. Tip-overs of furniture, appliances and TVs send about 22,000 children 8 and younger to emergency rooms in the U.S. every year, according to the Consumer Product Safety

Commission. From 2000 to 2010, 245 children died.

That’s a child dying every two weeks. As families across America gather in front of the new big-screen TVs they found under their Christmas trees, it’s a good time to think about making homes safer for the littlest among us.

TVs are a good place to start. They’re the biggest source of tip-over injuries — usually head and neck injuries — in children younger than 10, the Center for Injury Research and Policy reports. And of children who died in tip-over accidents, about 70 percent were killed by falling TVs, according to the commission.

Even something as simple as an infant or toddler grabbing onto a TV stand to pull himself up could be disastrous.

Don’t think supervision alone is adequate. “Kids are just looking to be active,” said Lisa Pardi, a nurse at Akron Children’s Hospital and its injury prevention coordinator. They bump into things, they climb things — and as every parent knows, they do it the moment your attention is diverted.

Prevention Tips

- You can anchor TVs and furniture with straps made for that purpose. They’re often available where baby-proofing items are

sold, or simply type “furniture strap” or “TV safety strap” into an Internet search engine to find online sources. Some don’t even require drilling holes into furniture.

The straps often have to be attached to a wall stud, but the damage is minimal and easy to repair.

- Freestanding kitchen ranges should be secured with anti-tip brackets, as well. They can tip if weight is put on the open oven door. If you don’t have the bracket that came with the stove, contact the manufacturer.

- Pardi recommends putting a TV on a low, wide, sturdy base and making sure it’s pushed back on the base “as far away from little hands as possible.” Keep cords out of children’s reach, so they can’t use the cords to pull things on top of them.

- Don’t use shelves or dressers as TV stands, the Center for Injury Research and Policy cautions. They’re not made to support the weight of a TV.

- In bookcases and entertainment centers, place heavy items on lower shelves, the center says. Toys, remote controls or anything else that might tempt children should be kept off high shelves or the top of the TV, because children might try to climb to reach them.

- Use desks with wide legs or solid bases. Install drawer stops on all drawers to prevent them from being pulled out more than two-thirds of the way.



Jordan Errington, 21 months, stands before the cabinet that, along with a TV, crashed on him, pinning him underneath, in Akron, Ohio. Top-heavy furniture can be secured to the wall to prevent tip-overs.

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 Thursday. For lunch take-out, 11 a.m. to noon daily: 734-5084.

Monday: Baked fish
Tuesday: Lasagna
Wednesday: Spaghetti with meat sauce
Thursday: Chicken pot pie
Friday: Chili with corn bread

Monday: Quilting, 9 a.m. to noon
Fit and Fall Proof exercise, 10:30 a.m.
Bridge, 1 p.m.
Tai chi, 1 p.m.
Tuesday: Ticket Tuesday, 11:45 a.m.
Blood pressure checks, 11:30 a.m.
Painting class, 6 p.m.
Pinochle, 6:30 p.m.
Wednesday: Cinnamon and sweet roll sales, 8:30 a.m. to noon
Quilting, 9 a.m. to noon
AARP tax preparation, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Fit and Fall Proof, 10:30 a.m.
Duplicate bridge, 1 p.m.
Pinochle, 7 p.m.
Thursday: AARP tax preparation, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Pinochle, 1 p.m.
Painting classes, 3 and 6 p.m.
Magic Valley Women’s AA, 6 p.m.
Friday: Quilting, 9 a.m. to noon
AARP tax preparation, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Fit and Fall Proof, 10:30 a.m.
Bingo, noon

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: Dinner, 1 p.m.; cube steak
Monday: Meatloaf
Tuesday: Tater Tot casserole
Wednesday: Biscuits and gravy
Thursday: Goulash

Monday: SilverSneakers exercise program, 10:30 a.m.
Tuesday: Quilting, 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.
AARP tax preparation, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.
Wednesday: SilverSneakers, 10:30 a.m.
Bingo at 7 p.m., with Hot Ball special
Thursday: Quilting, 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.
Bingo, 1 to 3 p.m.
Friday: SilverSneakers, 10:30 a.m.
Saturday: Charlie Hill

80th birthday open house, 1-4 p.m.

Filer Senior Haven

222 Main St., Filer. Lunch at noon Tuesday through Thursday. Suggested donation: \$5. 326-4608.

Tuesday: Shepherd’s pie
Wednesday: Sloppy Joe
Thursday: Pork chops
Friday: Breakfast

Monday: Bingo, 7 p.m.
Tuesday: Puzzles, 11:30 a.m.
Bingo, 12:45 p.m.
Wednesday: Jackpot, Nev., trip, 3 p.m.
Thursday: Blood pressure, 11 a.m.
Bingo, 1 p.m.
Cards, 1:30 p.m.

Ageless Senior Citizens Inc.

310 Main St. N., Kimberly. Closed for remodeling.

Gooding County Senior Citizen Center

308 Senior Ave., Gooding. Lunch at noon. Suggested donation: \$3.50 for seniors. 934-5504.

Monday: Chicken strips
Tuesday: Lasagna
Wednesday: Tater Tot casserole
Thursday: Ham

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: Morning out, 9 a.m.
Pool, 9:30 a.m.
Pinochle, 7 p.m.
Friday: Duplicate bridge, 1 p.m.
Saturday: Breakfast, 7:30 to 10 a.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; \$6, non-seniors; \$2, 12 and younger. 837-6120.

Monday: Chicken and garlic ravioli
Wednesday: Roast pork
Friday: Sesame chicken on rice

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: Beef tips over noodles
Tuesday: Chicken strips
Wednesday: Turkey
Thursday: Country fried steak
Friday: Barbecue riblets

Monday: SilverSneakers exercise, 10:30 a.m. and 5:20 p.m.
Bridge, 12:30 p.m.
Bunco, 12:45 p.m.
Chronic disease self-management, 1-3:30 p.m.
Tuesday: Energy assistance, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.
SilverSneakers, 10:30 a.m.
Pinochle, 1 p.m.
Let’s Dance, 4:30 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.
Women’s pool, 1 p.m.
LCR, 1 p.m.
YogaStretch, 5:20 p.m.
Pinochle, 7 p.m.
Thursday: Scones and coffee, 8-10 a.m.
YogaStretch, 10:30 a.m.
Freewill Baptist luncheon
Pinochle, 1 p.m.
SilverSneakers, 5:20 p.m.
Friday: SilverSneakers, 10:30 a.m.
Fiddlers
Pinochle, 1 p.m.
Essential oil, 6-9 p.m.

Silver and Gold Senior Center

210 E. Wilson, Eden. Lunch at noon. Suggested donation: \$4, seniors; \$5, non-seniors. 825-5662.

Tuesday: Pork roast
Wednesday: Men’s Bible study and breakfast, 7 a.m.
Bingo, 6:30 p.m.
Thursday: Creamed chicken

Richfield Senior Center

130 S. Main, Richfield. Lunch at noon. Suggested donation: \$4, seniors; \$5.50, under 60.

Monday: Roast pork
Thursday: Vegetable soup

Golden Years Senior Citizens Inc.

218 N. Rail St. W., Shoshone. Lunch at noon. Suggested donation: \$4, seniors 60 and older; \$5.50, non-seniors. 886-2369.

Tuesday: Lasagna
Wednesday: Chicken noodle soup
Friday: Meatloaf

Monday: Quilting, 10 a.m.
Tuesday: Pinochle, 1 p.m.
Bingo
Wednesday: Black-out bingo, 12:30 p.m.
Friday: Pinochle, 1 p.m.
Bingo

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: Meatloaf
Wednesday: Cheesy macaroni and hot dogs
Friday: Chicken strips

Blaine County Senior Center

721 Third Ave. S., Hailey. Lunch at noon. Suggested donation: \$5, seniors; \$7, non-seniors. 788-3468.

Monday: New Orleans-style red beans and rice
Tuesday: Yankee pot roast
Wednesday: Three-cheese lasagna
Thursday: Asian-style pork loin
Friday: Glazed pit ham with grilled pineapple

Monday: Fit and Fall Proof exercise, 11 a.m.
Duplicate bridge, 7 p.m.
Tuesday: Blood pressure checks, 12:30 p.m.
Bingo, 1 p.m.
Weight Watchers, 5 to 6:30 p.m.
Wednesday: Fit and Fall Proof, 11 a.m.
Thursday: Movie, 1:30 p.m.
Friday: Fit and Fall Proof, 11 a.m.

Minidoka County Senior Citizens Center

702 11th St., Rupert. Lunch at noon. Suggested donation: \$5, seniors; \$6, non-seniors; \$3, children 10 and younger; \$4.50, home delivery. 436-9107.

Monday: Lasagna
Tuesday: Finger steaks
Wednesday: Finger steaks
Thursday: Chili and corn bread
Friday: Smorgasbord

Monday: Pinochle, 1 p.m.
Wednesday: Pinochle, 1 p.m.
Friday: Pinochle, 1 p.m.
Bingo, 7 p.m.; for ticket prep, early bird and fast game, come early; \$7 and \$11 packets

Golden Heritage Senior Center

2421 Overland Ave., Burley. Lunch at noon. Suggested donation: \$4.50, seniors and children 12 and younger; \$6, non-seniors. 878-8646.

Monday: Taco salad
Tuesday: Cold cut sandwich
Wednesday: Chicken Alfredo with noodles
Thursday: Biscuits and gravy
Friday: Barbecue chicken

Monday: Pool Exercise, 11 a.m.
Pinochle, 1 p.m.
Tuesday: Wood carving, 8:30 a.m.
Community bingo for 18 or older; doors open 6 p.m.
Wednesday: Pool Exercise, 11 a.m.
Pinochle, 1 p.m.
Thursday: Wood carving, 6 p.m.
Community pinochle, 6 p.m.
Friday: Pool Exercise, 11 a.m.
Pinochle, 1 p.m.
Bingo, 1 p.m.

STORK REPORT

St. Luke’s Jerome

Kassandra Guadalupe Miramontes, daughter of Mayra Marroquin and Jose G. Miramontes of Bliss, was born Jan. 2, 2012.

Emberlee Kay Bailey, daughter of Nikki Bailey of Wendell, was born Jan. 12, 2012.

Davion Yahir Castro, son of Jessica Fontes and Juan Castro of Jerome, was born Jan. 12, 2012.

Emma Naomi Reese, daughter of Linda Ann Reese of Jerome, was born Jan. 18, 2012.

Johnathan Francisco Zamudio Eguiza, son of Maria Eguiza and Jose Zamudio of Dietrich, was born Jan. 20, 2012.

St. Luke’s Magic Valley

Dominic Michael Thibodeau, son of Whytnee Gail Hatfield of Twin Falls, was born Jan. 12, 2012.

Jayden Nythaniel Barcnas, son of Felisha Mendoza Barcnas of Buhl, was born Jan. 12, 2012.

Oaklee Lane Alonzo, son of Kelsey Elisabeth Graf and Emilio Lane Alonzo of Twin Falls, was born Jan. 15, 2012.

Isaac Erik Lopez Jr., son of Jasmin Crystal and Erik Lopez of Jerome, was born Jan. 17, 2012.

Bree Klara Swenson, daughter of Beth Anne and Mark Jared Swenson of Twin Falls, was born Jan. 17, 2012.

Ellie Jo Gordon, daughter of Tara Rachele and Justin Evan Gordon of Eden, was born Jan. 18, 2012.

Gabriela de Jesus Garibaldi, daughter of Anais Garibaldi and Juan Martin Garibaldi-Fuentes of Twin Falls, was born Jan. 18, 2012.

Cyrus Anthony Hettenbach, son of Megan Rene and Joshua Dale Hettenbach of Shoshone, was born Jan. 18, 2012.

Sarah Elizabeth Elison, daughter of Camilla Rae and Michael Benjamin Elison of Twin Falls, was born Jan. 19, 2012.

Delaney Mae Harvey, daughter of Shelly Ilene and Christopher George Harvey of Buhl, was born Jan. 19, 2012.

Brandon Matthew Helmer, son of Midauti Ellyse and Kristopher Todd Helmer of Hansen, was born Jan. 19, 2012.

Zaidyn Ethan Hernandez, son of Megan Ann and Salvador C. Hernandez of Burley, was born Jan. 19, 2012.

Ember Kendree Blackburn, daughter of Brittany Eva and Jacob Daniel Blackburn of Filer, was born Jan. 20, 2012.

Wade Joseph Lee, son of Krystal Jean and Chad Joseph Lee of Hansen, was born Jan. 20, 2012.

Claire Noel Richardson, daughter of Andrea Carol and Kody Dee Richardson of Twin Falls, was born Jan. 20, 2012.

David George Tubbs, son of Heidi Ann and Kirk Paul Tubbs of Twin Falls, was born Jan. 20, 2012.

Taylynn Nicole Pratt, daughter of Kelsey Nicole Johnson and Levi Zacarey Pratt of Twin Falls, was born Jan. 22, 2012.

Brynlee Elaine Knight, daughter of Keitra Lynn and Isaac Edward Knight of Wendell, was born Jan. 22, 2012.

Jasper Sky Conover, son of Hannah Joy and Joshua Nathaniel Conover of Gooding, was born Jan. 23, 2012.

Rowan Sage Sharp, daughter of Shelbie Larie Aslett and Michael Dutch Sharp of Twin Falls, was born Jan. 23, 2012.

Kellen Tate Brito, son of Candice Trinity-Kay Lopez and Nick Brito Jr. of Twin Falls, was born Jan. 23, 2012.

Mariano Anthony Crumrine, son of Janet and Paul Scott Crumrine of Eden, was born Jan. 23, 2012.

Syndal Olivia Shell, daughter of Kristin Tamra and Quincy William Anthony Shell of Filer, was born Jan. 24, 2012.

COMING UP

Flashy Moves

Anthony Spencer has a passion for the Maori performance art of poi spinning, and he’ll teach classes to Magic Valley residents at the YMCA; Natalie Dico reports.

Next Sunday in People

Super Supplements

What diet and health supplements are popular today? Read what Magic Valley residents are buying; Andrew Weeks reports.

Wednesday in Food



Book Tackles How to Diet without Being Hungry

BY BILL DALEY
Chicago Tribune

“Diet” means “denial” no matter how you spell it, but “diet” doesn’t have to mean “hungry,” too. But often it does, of course. A new e-book attempts to tackle the problem, offering ways to lose weight while still feeling satisfied.

“But I’m Hungry!”, available for \$11.99 at butimhungry.net or on Amazon, promises to help battle “the beast” — hunger — while dropping the pounds and keeping them off. A collaboration of a health writer, a nutritionist and an editor, the e-book promises “the exact combination of healthy foods and lifestyle changes you need to lose weight, feel great and never be hungry again. No more fad diets, just healthy living.”

The e-book’s premise is clear: Feeling full and satisfied is the only way to lose pounds and keep them off; paying attention to what types of food you eat, when, and in what proportion will help you succeed in reaching your goal weight.

Co-authors Marie Suszynski of Emmaus, Pa., and Crystal Petrello, a registered dietitian based in Las Vegas, along with editor Sue Mellen of Citrus Springs, Fla., make it all seem very doable. They offer a clear explanation of how roller coaster blood sugar levels create feelings of hunger and how the sensible eating of proteins and fats (yes!) bring long-term satisfaction. They discuss how to choose foods that taste good and are healthy, too. The authors cover all the bases from sample menus and shopping tips to physical exercise suggestions and ways to keep yourself psyched for the task.

Although there are a number of weight-loss plans and diets that call for a mix of sensible eating and exercise, Mellen thinks what makes this e-book strategy stand out is the emphasis on a “satisfaction solution.”

“When people feel deprived, people eat,” she says. “And they eat way too much to compensate for missing something. ... If you have a long-term feeling that life is good, you feel satisfied. You’re not hungry, and you continue that lifestyle with no reason to binge.”

A Peek Inside

Here are five easy-action steps from the e-book, “But I’m Hungry!”

• **Eat three** “satisfying” foods: Soup, salad, whole grains. They help you fill up in a good, lower-calorie way so you eat less of the “bad” foods.

• **Don’t live** by bread or pasta alone. Combine carbohydrates with protein or fat in every meal or snack. “A couple of pieces of toast won’t have the staying power that an egg, toast, milk and fruit would,” the authors write.

• **Buy whole** foods instead of processed food. Fresh fruits, vegetables and whole grains offer more taste for fewer calories. They are high in fiber, too, giving you the bulk needed to feel satisfied.

• **Let yourself** feel hungry without becoming starved. Don’t eat until you’re hungry, but also, don’t let hunger grow to the point you’ll devour anything. The authors recommend eating a meal or a snack every three to four hours.

• **Try new,** healthy foods. Crystal Petrello, in particular, advocates plant protein. Try tofu, edamame, lentils, beans.



Legwear store Papilio displays tights and hold ups, including a pair studded with Swarovski crystals, in Philadelphia. MCT PHOTO

Hose Regains a Toehold

BY ELIZABETH WELLINGTON
The Philadelphia Inquirer

Pantyhose occupy a dicey place in the world of fashion.

The dainty intimates are on the rise thanks to Kate Middleton’s penchant for them. Couple that with ultra-fashion-forward stars like Rihanna, Katy Perry and Jessie J wearing sheer black hosiery, and you have a burgeoning trend.

However, after years of bare-legged freedom (inspired by first lady Michelle Obama and “Sex and the City’s” Carrie Bradshaw), it’s going to be a challenge for pantyhose manufacturers to get consumers to squeeze back into them. We’re not going to go easily.

Many of us don’t want to return to the days of trying to match our skin tones with stockings. We don’t want to have to worry about snags and runs. It’s so much easier just to lotion up your legs and go without.

“I personally really like a bare leg,” said Catherine Moellering, executive vice president of New York-based fashion retail consultants Tobe. “A lot of young consumers were brought up either bare-legged or in opaque (tights).” They are experiencing sheer hose as something new, she says.

Hosiery has come a long way since the days when women had to attach stockings with garters. Today’s legwear

goes from shimmery nudes to so bare that you look as if you’re not wearing anything. Also keep an eye out for jewel-toned shades of wine, purple, and cobalt blue.

Thanks to huge advances in graphic design and fashion technology, hose come in new bold finishes — distressed-legging looks or even three-dimensional objects. I’ve got my eye on a pair by House of Holland for Pretty Polly that features alphabet-soup-style capital letters scattered all over the legs.

With all the options available, you’re practically guaranteed that every pair of these hose would look phenomenal with a little black dress. (Or an eggplant-colored dress, if you’re color-blocking.)

“By and large, people are still feeling skittish about the economy. Hosiery is an easy and economical way to update,” Moellering said. “You can put on a pair of new hose with an old dress and get a bang for your buck.”

Stockings were a non-negotiable staple in women’s wardrobes from the turn of the century well into the late 1990s. A woman wasn’t considered dressed without them. Then the corporate chic ‘80s melted into the casual ‘90s and women let their hose go at the end of the decade. Even when dresses became all the rage, we preferred pointy heels and bare legs. No muss, no fuss.

But now, as fashion takes a turn to-

ward the flapper looks of the 1920s, we’re again interested in thigh-highs. A smoother leg seems more aesthetically pleasing. But what about comfort? What about durability?

Things have improved on that front, says Susan M. Kay, CEO of the Hosiery Association, a trade group based in Charlotte, N.C.

Millennial hosiery features the same kind of wicking technology as endurance wear.

“There are pantyhose that have caffeine in them to make your legs appear more toned, and some with aloe that moisturize,” Kay says. “Now that the consumer is more educated, she’s demanding both comfort and practicality as well as style.”

At \$18 to \$35, these high-tech tights cost more than drugstore lines, but not as much as Wolford pantyhose, which can run upwards of \$50.

The target audience for updated sheer hosiery is young people. Like lipstick and wristwatches, the hosiery industry has found a new audience — women in their 20s who think of hose as a novelty.

“These sheer pantyhose help women look more grown-up and sophisticated,” said Anna Sirotkin, who along with her husband, Viktor, opened Papilio, an Italian legwear and swimwear boutique, in Center City in November.

Social Media Giving Birth to New Generation of Parents-to-be

BY HEIDI STEVENS
Chicago Tribune

You’re in labor. Is there an app for that?

There ought to be, based on the information gleaned through a new survey of more than 1,000 pregnant women conducted by American Baby magazine and Good Books, publisher of the “Mayo Clinic Guide to a Healthy Pregnancy.”

Fifty-one percent of respondents planned to record the birth — as it takes place — through social media, with 42 percent planning to post regular Facebook status updates

and 9 percent planning to tweet about the experience.

As it takes place. Did we mention that?

“I was surprised by the social networking data,” says Myra Wick, co-medical editor of the “Mayo Clinic Guide to a Healthy Pregnancy” and a practicing obstetrician/gynecologist at the Mayo Clinic. “But we are starting to see people texting and other things while they’re in labor. I guess I’m just kind of old-school in that I think of labor and delivery as being kind of private.”

But *American Baby* executive editor Laura Kalehoff

points out that many of the women surveyed haven’t known an adult life without social networking.

“The millennial mom went through college with Facebook,” Kalehoff says. “They’re accustomed to communicating that way, and it feels very natural to share your pregnancy and labor with everyone.”

The women surveyed ranged in age from 18 to 49, with the majority being 18 to 29. (Forty percent were 18 to 24, and 25 percent were 25 to 29.)

Wick says she has found that mobile devices rarely get in the way of her patients’

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Laura Kalehoff, executive editor of *American Baby*

ability to complete the task at hand.

“Rarely have we had something going on where we need to say, ‘OK, we need you to consent to this,’ or ‘We need you to listen now,’” Wick says. “That’s really pretty rare.”

Study Finds up to 1 in 3 Americans Suffer from Chronic Pain

BY DELTHIA RICKS
Newsday

Persistent pain that lasts weeks to years is an overlooked medical problem that affects more than 116 million people nationwide and needs to be the focus of a public health campaign, doctors said recently.

Physicians reporting in the *New England Journal of Medicine* cited a long list of concerns, including lack of access to pain-management specialists and inadequate consumer education about pain treatment, that they believe is causing people to suffer needlessly.

Authors of the report are calling on the medical community to educate more doctors capable of treating people experiencing long-term, intractable pain.

“That’s like 1 in 3 Americans in pain and that estimate is not far off the mark, based on what I am seeing,” said Dr. Brian Durkin, director of the Center for Pain Management at Stony Brook (N.Y.) University Medical Center.

“It’s a little shocking when you think about 1 out of 3 people being in pain. But I am getting calls every day,” added Durkin. “People are not looking for narcotics; they’re looking for pain relief.”

Dr. Philip Pizzo, dean of Stanford University’s medical school, wrote the report, which is based on research he led last year as chairman of an Institute of Medicine panel. The institute is the health division of the National Academy of Sciences and is chartered by Congress to investigate health concerns.

Pizzo said round-the-clock acute and chronic pain affects adults and children, and that there is misunderstanding and insensitivity about persistent pain by physicians and the public.

With fewer than 4,000 pain specialists nationwide, Pizzo said it’s time for primary care physicians to step up and help address what he calls a nationwide epidemic.

Durkin said about 50 million people undergo surgery annually in the United States, and many of those patients account for those in acute pain.

The vast number of people who make up the millions in long-term discomfort generally suffer from persistent headaches, and neck and lower-back pain, he said.

“So 116 million is not that crazy a number,” Durkin said. “Our population is getting older, and people are having problems.”

Dr. Lewis Nelson, an emergency medicine specialist and clinical toxicologist at New York University Medical Center in Manhattan said he doesn’t buy the estimate that nearly 1 in 3 Americans are in pain. He also doesn’t think there’s a shortage of pain management specialists.

“If there is so much pain, why are we just now finding out about it? Why weren’t people in pain 25 years ago?” Nelson asked.

Nelson said the estimate of millions of people in chronic pain is not only overblown, it overlooks the epidemic of prescription painkiller abuse. He said the pain epidemic can be plotted along a graph that also shows a rise in the worldwide proliferation of narcotic pain pills.

Nelson said he too often sees the flip side of pain treatment: people who have overdosed on prescription pain medication.

“To say that people in pain are not being treated overlooks those who are being overmedicated — and dying,” he said.

COMMUNITY

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COURTESY PHOTO

Shoshone Graduate Joshua Craig Receives Two More Bronze Stars

Staff Sgt. Joshua Craig was recently honored twice for heroism under fire while serving in Afghanistan.

MARY ESTHER, Fla. • Air Force Staff Sgt. Joshua Craig recently received two Bronze Stars for heroism displayed in combat while serving in Afghanistan.

The Bronze Star, one of the highest U.S. military awards, is given for bravery, acts of merit, or meritorious service. Craig is a 2002 Shoshone High School graduate who serves with the Air Force Special Operations 23rd Special Tactics Squadron, based at Hurlburt Field in Mary Esther, Fla.

Craig was awarded one

Bronze Star for his actions during Oct. 16, 2010, ground combat in eastern Afghanistan. While assigned as the primary joint terminal attack controller for an Army Special Forces team, the force came under fire. According to Craig's medal citation, he and a teammate sprinted across 140 meters of open terrain to a security position to control close air support.

When Craig's teammate fell, Craig dropped in place, providing covering fire from a dangerous position behind a tree until his teammate recovered and reached the security position. Pinned down, Craig directed attack helicopters to engage two enemy positions with rocket fire, enabling him to move.

After advancing to a rock outcropping under intense

fire, he directed attack helicopters for 45 minutes until enemy fire ceased. During his actions, which included a third enemy assault, Craig directed more than 30 close air support engagements, killing more than 20 insurgents.

Craig's second Bronze Star for actions in Afghanistan was awarded for his actions while engaged in ground combat from July 19-20, 2011, in eastern Afghanistan. As the sole joint terminal attack controller attached to a joint Army Special Forces team and Afghanistan Commando Kandak Battalion, Craig conducted a helicopter infiltration to secure an objective area where Coalition Forces had sustained 10 casualties and were pinned down by enemy fire.

Craig identified and eliminated three insurgents with his M-4 weapon and 40 mm grenade launcher, allowing forces to take a secure area. For the next 36 hours, without sleep, he coordinated air support from four different locations at distances as close to 60 meters from the enemy.

His actions lead to the deaths of 12 insurgents, while two were wounded and seven detained. The attack liberated a village from Taliban control. Craig also coordinated two medical evacuations for six wounded coalition members.

Craig previously received a Bronze Star for "exceptionally meritorious achievement" while serving in Operation Iraqi Freedom from Nov. 2006 to Nov. 2007.

How Do You Report Illegal Drugs?

I know somebody who does maintenance for a few local businesses. The other day he was cleaning the rain gutters and found a bag with suspicious white powder in it. He threw it in the garbage with all the leaves and whatnot that he had cleaned out of the gutter. I told him that he should have taken it to the police. He told me that he thought he would be charged with possession. Would he have gotten in trouble for turning it in to the police? If so, what should he have done to keep out of trouble?

— Becca



Dan Bristol
Ask the Officer

to package the substance is in a plastic baggie or a sealable container. You could even photograph or video the scene to show where it was found and who was there to witness it.

Finally, if the substance is believed to be a hazardous chemical, then back off and keep people out of the area. Call the police and let them know what has been found and what was done to keep people away from material. It is much easier to be safe than sorry.

Quote of the Month

"Don't go around saying the world owes you a living. The world owes you nothing. It was here first."

— Mark Twain

Officer Down

Please put these officers, killed in the line of duty, and their families in your prayers. God bless these heroes.

- Deputy Randall Benoit, Calcasieu Parish Sheriff, La.
- Agent Francis Crespo-Mandry, Puerto Rico Police.
- Cpl. Barbara Ester, Arkansas Department of Correction.
- Officer Garret Davis, Honolulu Police, Hawaii.
- Deputy James Thacker, Pike County Sheriff, Ky.

They fought the good fight, now may they rest in peace.

Email your questions to policemandan@yahoo.com or look for Ask Policemandan on Facebook.

Dan Bristol is the Heyburn chief of police.

STUDENTS OF THE MONTH

ST. LUKE'S TO HOST HEART SMART SEMINARS

TWIN FALLS • St. Luke's Magic Valley Medical Center in Twin Falls will hold a free series of Heart Smart seminars in February.

Participants will learn how to keep their hearts healthy. Pre-registration is required. Call 814-0095 to sign up. All seminars will be held at Oak Rooms 5 and 6 on the lower level of the hospital, 801 Pole Line Road W.

Attendees can sign up to win a heart health goodie basket during each seminar. Here's the schedule:

Feb. 1: Free cardiac risk screenings at 5:30 p.m., heart-healthy cooking, presented by Dr. David Kemp at 6 p.m.

Feb. 9: Free cardiac risk screenings at 5:30 p.m., heart-healthy nutrition and grocery shopping, presented by Dr. Reed Harris at 6 p.m.

Feb. 16: Free cardiac risk screenings at 5:30 p.m., "Will supplements improve my heart health?" presented by Dr. Dennis Enomoto, 6 p.m.

Feb. 22: Free cardiac risk screenings at 5:30 p.m., "Trouble sleeping? The heart disease/sleep apnea connection," presented by Dr. Dan Brown at 6 p.m.



COURTESY PHOTO

The pictured students were named Hollister students of the month for December. Front: Natalia, first grade; Gracelyn, second grade; Mckenzie, kindergarten. Back: Rebecca, fourth grade; Saisha, fifth grade; Abigail, third grade.

BRIDGE NEWS

Gooding Duplicate Bridge

GOODING • Gooding Duplicate Bridge recently released its results for Jan. 20.

1. Riley Burton and Bobette Plankey, 2. Kal and Silva Garton, 3. Dennis Hanel and Henry Robinson. Duplicate bridge is played at 1 p.m. Fridays at the Gooding Senior Center,

308 Senior Ave. For more information, call Kathy Rooney, 934-9732.

BJ Duplicate Bridge

RUPERT • The BJ Duplicate Bridge Club in Rupert recently announced the results of play for Jan. 23.

Flight A: 1. Bobette Plankey and Riley Burton, 2. Edna Pierson and

Sue Skinner. **Flight B:** 1. Bub and Marie Price, 2. Dot Creason and Bill Goodman, 3. Vera Mai and Nanette Woodland, 4. Eunice Merrigan and Barbara Carney. Games are held at 1 p.m. Tuesdays at the Rupert Elks Lodge, 85 S., 200 W. For partners and more information: Steve Sams, 878-7691, or Vera Mai, 436-4163.

Google Rep. to Visit T.F. for 'Hangout'

TWIN FALLS • Area people interested in learning more about the Android development platform and Google technology are invited to a "Hangout" with a Google representative at 6 p.m. Feb. 16 at Twin Falls High School.

The event, organized by the Southern Idaho Google Technology Users Group, will precede the next day's 5 p.m. DevCamp/Hackathon, which will focus on the basics of Android development and

digital graphics. An 8 a.m. Feb. 18 team development workshop will follow, with a 5 p.m. Feb. 19 project presentation and awards segment wrapping the event.

Mandatory registration is available online at southernidaho.gtugs.org. Hackathon participants must supply their own computer, while wireless Internet service will be available.

No cost is listed for the event.

Minico's Fullwood among Honors Concert Performers

BILLINGS, Mont. • Minico High School student Courtney Fullwood will be among the nearly 200 students from Montana, Idaho and Washington who will perform in the fourth annual Rocky Mountain College Honors Concert,

held Feb. 3 at the Alberta Bair Theatre in Billings, Mont.

The 7 p.m. concert is free and open to the public. Fullwood will spend Feb. 2-3 rehearsing with her new band mates for the performance.

CSI Names Employees of the Year

TWIN FALLS • The College of Southern Idaho recently named its professional and classified employees of the year.

Sharon Whitchurch, fiscal specialist with CSI's Office on Aging, is the 2011 professional employee of the year. Whitchurch has worked at



Matsuoka



Whitchurch

CSI for 3 1/2 years and was

nominated by her peers for her dedication and integrity on the job. She received a \$1,000 stipend and additional training of her choosing.

Carolyn Matsuoka, student services specialist at CSI's Admission and Records Office, is the 2011 classified employee of the year. Mat-

suoka has worked at the college for 22 years and was nominated by her peers for her cheerfulness, professionalism, and high ethical standards as she works with CSI students and her peers. She received a \$1,000 stipend and additional training of her choosing.

Harris of Sun Valley on Bucknell Dean's List

LEWISBURG, Pa. • Spencer F. Harris, son of Scott and Charlotta Harris of Sun Valley, was recently named to the fall semester dean's list at Bucknell University in Lewisburg, Pa.

Harris, a 2008 Community School graduate, received a grade-point average of 3.5 or higher to qualify for the recognition.

PETERS TO CELEBRATE HIS 90TH BIRTHDAY

JEROME • Ralph Peters will celebrate his 90th birthday on Friday.



Peters

Ralph came to Idaho when he was 7 years old and has been a resident of Jerome since. He served as a pilot in the Army Air Force during World War II, flying the B-25 Mitchell bomber out of the Aleutian Islands. He was a businessman in Jerome, served as mayor and as representative in the Legislature. He married Blanche Callen in 1945, and they have five children, Bill of San Antonio, Texas; Bob of Rock Springs, Wyo.; Katie Caldwell of Woodland, Calif.; Tom of Jerome and Peggy Stanley of Twin Falls. He has 27 grandchildren and 48 great-grandchildren.

Cards may be sent to Ralph Peters, 601 E. Ave. A, Jerome, ID 83338. The family would like to see if he will receive 90 cards.

Anderson of Hazelton to Serve Orphanage Support Mission

HAZELTON • McKenzie Anderson, daughter of Kevin and Johanna Anderson of Hazelton, will spend 12 weeks volunteering in Ecuadorian orphanages.

Anderson traveled to Quito, Ecuador in support of Orphanage Support Services Organization, a non-profit that sends volunteers to help at orphanages at large cities in Ecuador.

Anderson holds an associate of arts in culinary arts, culinary management and restaurant management from Idaho State University. She is a 2005 Minico High School graduate.

Minico Provides Healthy Snacks for Student-led Conferences

RUPERT • Minico High School partnered with the Fuel Up To Play 60 program to provide healthy snacks during student-led conferences held Jan. 11 at the Rupert school.

The program encourages healthy living by promoting 60 minutes of activity each day and healthy eating habits. There are 53 Minico students signed up for the program.

The Idaho Dairy Council provided low-fat flavored milk and string cheese, while the Spartan Dance Force donated reusable water bottles. Dietitian Lori Johnson provided educational handouts, and student volunteers worked during the conferences.



Marlee Chandler and Chelsea Hepworth volunteer during Minico High School's student-led conferences.

COURTESY PHOTO

T.F. Co. Pest District Appoints Lenkner as Trustee

TWIN FALLS • The Twin Falls County Pest Abatement District's volunteer board of trustees appointed new board member Charles Lenkner of Twin Falls during a Jan. 12 meeting.

Lenkner is a former large-animal veterinarian who worked in the Magic Valley during the last outbreak of vesicular stomatitis, a viral disease that primarily affects livestock and is spread by black flies. The flies are among the insects the district was formed to help control, and Lenkner's experience will be valuable in that effort, according to a district release.

Outgoing board member



COURTESY PHOTO

Pictured, from left, are Twin Falls County Pest Abatement members Clif Amundsen, Manager Kirk Tubbs, President John Snelling, outgoing board member Greg Garatea with an appreciation plaque, Secretary Tony Brand, Treasurer Theresa Strolberg and Erik J. Wenninger. Not pictured are Mary Jensen, Merl Egbert and Charles Lenkner.

Greg Garatea of Murtaugh served on the board since

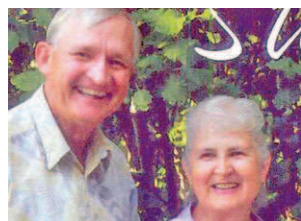
its 2009 inception. Information: tfcpad.org.

FUNKS EARN NATIONAL TREE FARMER AWARD

COEUR D'ALENE • A Coeur d'Alene couple with Magic Valley ties recently earned recognition as 2011 National Outstanding Tree Farmers of the Year by the American Tree Farm System.

The annual award recognizes outstanding sustainable forest management on privately owned woodlands. This year's recipients are Steve and Janet Funk. Janet Funk was born and raised in Twin Falls.

The Funks have operated the 370-acre Edgreek



COURTESY PHOTO

Coeur d'Alene residents Steve and Janet Funk were recently named 2011 National Outstanding Tree Farmers of the Year by the American Tree Farm System.

Farm on Wold Lodge Creek since 1972. Both are now re-

tired from their professional careers.

They earned the award for their advocacy of responsible management, forest restoration and environmental education. They led an effort to restore Wolf Lodge Creek after an oil pipeline rupture, planting more than 12,000 ponderosa pine seedlings and thinning and pruning overstocked areas.

This is the first time in 70 years that an Idaho tree farmer has received the national award.

COMMUNITY NEWS

Bereavement Camp for Children Nears in T.F.

TWIN FALLS • Winter Bereavement Day Camp for children ages 6-16 will be held Feb. 25 at the Boys and Girls Club of Magic Valley, 999 Frontier Road, Twin Falls.

Registration for the free camp is at 8:45 a.m., while the camp will conclude at 5 p.m. Group activities are geared to various age levels and include games, arts and crafts projects, music, videos, story time and interactive dialogue. Lunch and snacks will be included.

The purpose of the activities is to help each child recognize and process their own grief while providing fun and laughter throughout the day.

The camp, sponsored by Kids Count Too! Inc., is a combined effort of local hospice coordinators, counselors, chaplains and trained individ-

uals who shared the vision of assisting the youngest among us in the journey through bereavement.

To register, notify your school counselor, call 404-3210, email kidscounttoo@gmail.com, or write Kids Count Too! Inc., P.O. Box 5533, Twin Falls, ID 83303-5533.

Basque Association Hosts Dinner

GOODING • The Gooding Basque Association will hold its monthly First Friday dinner from 6-8 p.m. Friday at the Basque Cultural Hall at the intersection of Idaho Highway 46 and U.S. Highway 26 in Gooding.

This month's menu includes grilled lamb chops, pork loin, Basque rice, green beans, sheepherder's bread, soup, green salad with Basque homemade dressing and

various desserts.

The association asks a donation of \$15 for dinner, or \$13 for seniors and \$6 for children.

Information: Julie Cortabitarte Gough, 308-5051.

Jerome Senior Center to Host Super Bowl Party

JEROME • The Jerome Senior Center will host a Super Bowl Sunday event Feb. 5 at the center, 520 N. Lincoln Ave., Jerome.

The game will be played on a big-screen TV provided by Quale's Electronics. A baked potato bar with all the trimmings, appetizers and refreshments will be served. Games, prizes and other events are included, including ladies-only Bunco and pool.

The event starts at 5:30 p.m. Cost is \$5. Information: Kris Shelton, 324-5642.

CSI Nursing Holds Valentine's Day Raffle

TWIN FALLS • College of Southern Idaho nursing students are holding a fundraising raffle for a Valentine's Day package.

The package includes a \$60 gift card to Elevation 486 in Twin Falls, two movie tickets and a dozen roses. Tickets cost \$2 each, three for \$5, or seven for \$10, and are available

through the Feb. 7 drawing date.

They can be purchased at the CSI Student Union Building and Health Sciences and Human Services Building lobbies several times between the drawing date. Alternatively, call Student Nursing Association President Stephanie Williams at 320-1418.

LIBRARY NEWS

DeMary Memorial Library

Here are the most recent book notes from DeMary Memorial Library in Rupert.

Fiction

"Protection for Hire" by Camy Tang: First she served as an enforcer. Then she served time. Now she serves a new master.

"Song of My Heart" by Kim Vogel Sawyer: Is there any hope the love blossoming between Sadie and Thad will survive?

"The Maid of Fairbourne Hall" by Julie Klassen: This book takes readers inside the fascinating below-stairs world of a 19th-century English manor, where appearances can be deceiving.

"The Rope" by Nevada Barr: This is the story of Anna's first foray into the wild, and the case that helped shape her into the ranger she became.

"Death of Kings" by Bernard Cornwell: The fate of a new nation rests in the hands of a reluctant warrior.

"A Very Private Grave" by Donna Fletcher Crow: Felicity Howard, a young American, is devastated when she finds her beloved Father Dominic bludgeoned to death and Father Antony soaked in his blood.

Kimberly Public Library

Here are January's new items at the Kimberly Public Library.

Adult fiction

"Fire the Sky" by W. Michael Gear, "77 Shadow Street" by Dean Koontz, "Love in a Nutshell" by Janet Evanovich, "Private: #1 Suspect" by James Patterson, "D.C. Dead" by Stuart Woods, "Locked On" by Tom Clancy, "A Devil is Waiting" by Jack Higgins, "Neverwinter" by R.A. Salvatore, "Breakdown" by Sara Paretsky, "Down the Darkest Road" by Tami Hoag, "Gun Games" by Faye Kellerman, "The Hunter" by John Lescroart, "Sworn to Silence," "Pray for Silence" and "Breaking Silence" by Linda Castillo, "Moonlight in the Morning" by Jude Deveraux, "Hidden Summit" by Robyn Carr.

Adult nonfiction

"Shattered Silence: the Untold Story of a Serial Killer's Daughter" by Melissa G. Moore, "Heaven is For Real" by Todd Burpo, "Imperfect Justice: Prosecuting Casey Anthony" by Jeff Ashton, "Thunder Dog: the True Story of a Blind Man, His Guide Dog & the Triumph of Trust at Ground Zero" by Michael Hingson, "Low Cost Natural Cures for Your Dog and Cat Your Vet Doesn't Want You to Know" by Dr. John Heinerman.

Inspirational fiction

"A Hope for Hannah" and **"A Baby for Hannah"** by Jerry S. Eicher, "When Love Gets in the Way" by Janelle Mowery, "Her Last Chance" by Terri Reed, "To Trust a Friend" by Lynn Bullock, "Valley of Dreams" by Lauraine Snelling, "The Measure of Katie Calloway" by Serena Miller, "Lost Melody" by Lori Copeland and Virginia Smith, "Wonderland Creek" by Lynn Austin, "Lonestar Angel" by Colleen Coble, "Love on the Line" by Deeanne Gist, "A Lasting Impression" by Tamera Alexander.

Juvenile fiction

"Heartless" and **"Veiled Rose"** by Anne Elisabeth Stengl, "Matched" and "Crossed" by Ally Condie, "Immortal War" by Justin Somper, "A King's Ransom" by Jude Watson, "The Amazing Voyage" and "The Mystery In Venice" by Geronimo Stilton, "Abe Lincoln at Last" by Mary Pope Osborne, "The Underdogs" by Mike Lupica, "Froggy Eats Out" by Jonathan London, "The Birthday Presents" by Paul Stewart, "Monkey See, Monkey Do" by Marc Gave, "Comet's Nine Lives" by Jan Brett, "How to Catch a Falling Star" by Heidi Howarth, "The Berenstain Bears Ready, Get Set, Go!" by Stan and Jan Berenstain, "Valentines: a Read-and-Do Book" by Judith Moffatt, "Groundhog Day" by Margaret McNamara.

Juvenile nonfiction

"World's Best Card Tricks" by Bob Longe, "Guinness World Records 2012" by Guinness, "Pickle, Pepper and Tip-in-Too" by Kevin Nelson, "Fairy Tales" by Hans Christian Andersen,

DVDs

"Wedding Singer," "2012," "The Help," "Elektra," "Gone With the Wind," "The Chronicles of Narnia," and **"Barbie: Princess Charm School."**

CDs

"Death of a Bore" by M. C. Beaton, "Murder at the Washington Tribune" by Margaret Truman, "I'll Walk Alone" by Mary Higgins Clark, "America" by Stephen Coonts

Video tapes

"Six Days, Seven Nights," "Old Yeller," "Tom and Jerry: The Magic Ring."



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Stepping Up

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still dots the spacious backyard. Out front is a sign that the group hung Jan. 10 at a small, informal celebration at the home, welcoming the new management.

The men, after grasping shoulders around the sign, said a prayer of thanks.

Dark Past

Kellum has said a lot of prayers over the past four years since being drug-free and sober. A broken home left him feeling misplaced, and he turned to drugs and alcohol at an early age. All of his ensuing problems stemmed from that, he said. His first arrest was in 1984.

According to court records, Kellum was convicted in Oregon and Idaho for offenses including burglary, unauthorized use of a vehicle, harassment, assault, felony possession of a firearm and possession of a controlled substance with the intent to manufacture.

"I didn't know why I was doing what I was doing," he said. "It wasn't me. It was the drugs."

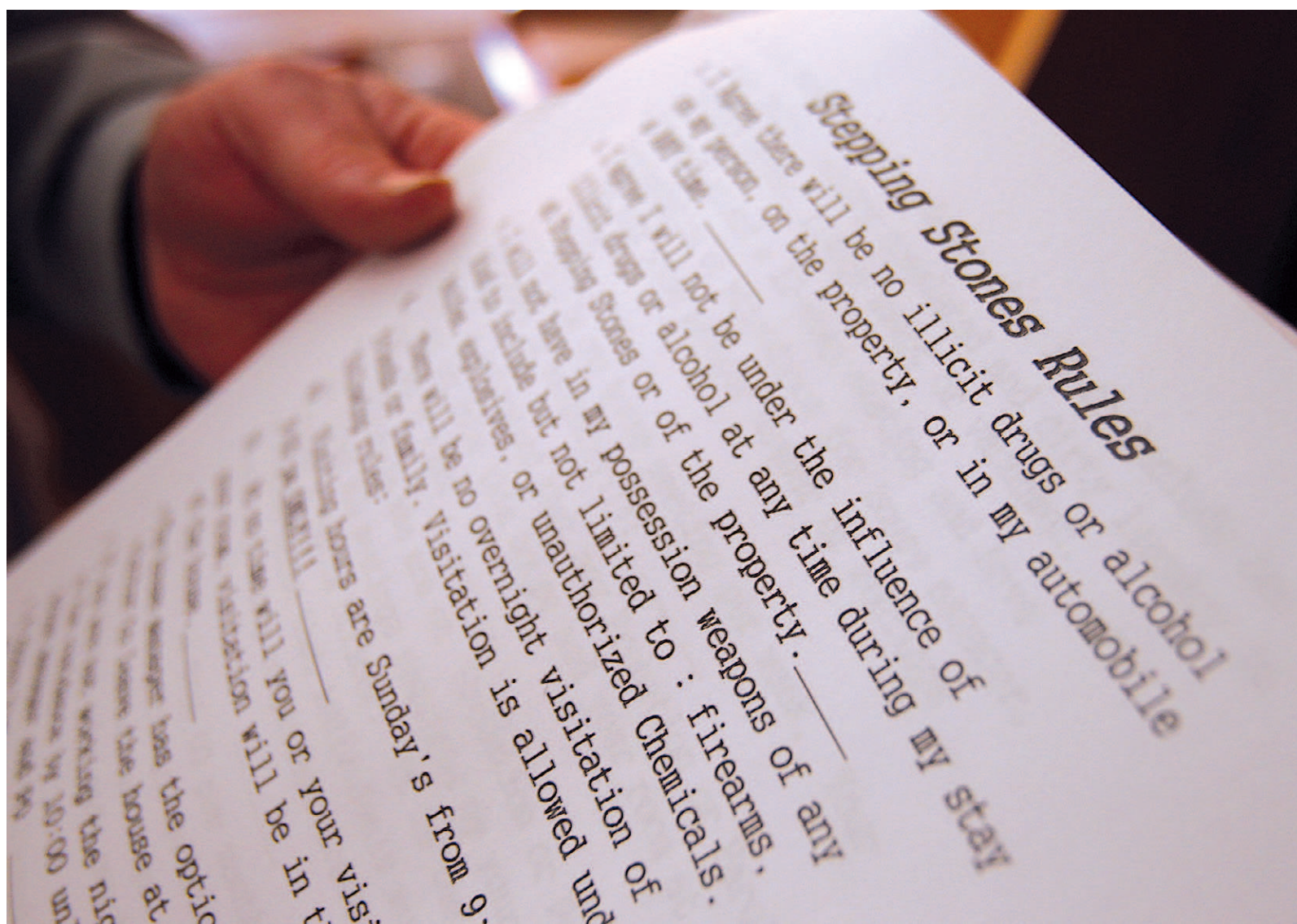
He even found a way to get drugs while in prison.

Kellum decided to quit once he found out his son, whom he had left with his wife years earlier, had started substance abuse. Kellum thereafter was baptized as a Christian and started down the path of recovery, making a pact with his son to quit if he would.

"We have a really good relationship now," he said; his son visited him recently at the home.

Road Back

Men, ages 18 and older, who stay at the Stepping Stones home have their parole officers check in on them from time to time. They must abide by rules while at the home, Kellum said, such as a 10 p.m. curfew and daily household chores. No smoking is allowed inside the house, and television viewing is limited. Drug



(ABOVE) Rick Kellum holds a contract that each Stepping Stones resident must sign, vowing not to consume alcohol or illegal drugs. (LEFT) Allen Grundvig speaks about his life during a Jan. 10 dedication of a new sign for the home.

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and alcohol tests are conducted by Kellum if he suspects someone is using or if they're requested by a parole officer. If a man tests positive, he has 30 minutes to get out. There's a 72-hour eviction notice for general disobedience, Kellum said, and an immediate eviction for violent offenses.

The men have been helped

by several groups and organizations, including Bethel Temple Apostolic Church, which provides addiction recovery classes; Bethel Temple member Rick Cole of Global Lighting Solutions, who did all the electrical work in the house; and The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints and its Deseret Indus-

tries, which provided some of the men with jobs and donated furniture to the house.

The men said they're grateful for the support, especially since none of them are Mormon. A few of them — including Kellum, who became acquainted with the church through its recovery programs — attend Bethel Temple.

Allen Grundvig, one of the home's occupants, took a couple of hours off work from Deseret Industries to attend the Jan. 10 celebration. He praised the churches for their support.

"Some of us are religious, some of us are not," he said. "But no one here disrespects anyone for their beliefs."

Jodie Slagal, mom to 21-year-old Christopher Slagal, was at the event taking pictures and video. She said she was comfortable with her son staying at the home.

"I think Rick is great," she said. "He really cares about the guys. He's in it with his heart."

A few minutes later Richard Hernandez, a former home occupant, reassured Slagal that her son was in good hands.

Brian Brisbin and Tee Jay Smith, who started staying at the home under the old man-

agement, said Kellum is a much stricter and more caring manager than others have been in the past.

"He's really turned this into something," Brisbin said.

Each person pays \$350 a month for rent, Kellum said, so each must find work within his first 30 days at the house. Money is used to maintain the home, Kellum said, noting that a recent electricity bill alone was more than \$1,400.

There's no time limit for the men to stay at the home.

"My goal is to see that they get on their feet, that they can balance a checkbook and budget money and can afford to live on their own," Kellum said. "When that happens, I've pretty much done my job here."

Kellum said the name of the house, Stepping Stones, says it all: It's a step up to a better life.

Comeback

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"It was too mangled to put it back on," said Perkins, 36, who lives with his family on 17 acres in Dietrich.

For the uninitiated: Team roping is a timed rodeo competition in which two cowboys or cowgirls on horseback take turns roping a running steer. First, the header lassoes the horns or neck; then the heeler ropes the hind legs.

For Perkins, a heeler, losing much of his thumb was a harsh blow. When it happened, he was enjoying a successful season and getting pumped for "cowboy Christmas" — early July, when roping contests are plentiful. He missed several events but was back in the saddle by August.

Steve Sherwood was Perkins' roping partner when the accident happened.

"I was really bummed because we had started off so good, and it was early in the year," Sherwood said. He picked up a partner in some competitions, but missed several others waiting for Perkins to heal.

"That kid is one really upbeat, happy guy," Sherwood said. "When I messed up, he never cast blame. I've never had a more fun partner."

Chasing the Dream

With a short stump on his dominant right hand, Perkins feared he would never reach the same heights he achieved in the past: In 2008, he won the U.S. Team Roping Championship in Oklahoma City, in the 21-or-older division dubbed Gold Plus. In that contest alone, Perkins won \$30,000 and a Dodge Mega Cab one-ton truck, worth about \$40,000.

But Perkins taught himself to throw the rope thumbless. He said he kept a positive attitude, continued practicing, and now he thinks he's just as good — maybe better — at roping than when he had two



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Casey Perkins won this belt buckle in 2008 at the U.S. Team Roping Championships in Oklahoma — before the accident that ripped off his thumb.

full thumbs.

Winning the 2008 championship was his most triumphant moment roping — "so far," he added. This year, Perkins plans to chase the title in the World Series of Team Roping — and its \$100,000 top prize — among other competitions.

"Never give up on a dream," he said. "No matter what it is." Sherwood agrees Perkins is a better roper these days. Losing the thumb was a setback, but Perkins was steadily improving before he lost his thumb and has continued to improve without it, Sherwood said.

"In the long term, it hasn't hurt him at all," Sherwood said. "He's just gotten better through determination and work ethic."

A Family Passion

Perkins got into roping thanks to his wife, Shanna, who comes from a roping family and is no slouch herself. In 2006, she won \$27,000 at the U.S. Team Roping Championships.

"He wanted to ride saddle bronc, but it was too dangerous, so I said 'no,' because they

get hurt a lot," Shanna said. What's an inch gone from the thumb compared with a spinal cord injury?

The couple's three girls, Katelyn, 13, and twins Kayla and Kylee, 10, are competitive ropers, too.

"When we get off work, if the weather's nice, then we'll rope," said Shanna of her family's passion. "Any chance we get, we go and do it."

Casey and Shanna say they worry a little about their daughters keeping all their digits, but they try not to think about it.

"It's something all ropers know is a possibility," said Sherwood, noting he's known others who lost a thumb. "It's no different than driving your car down the road. You're not thinking about getting into a wreck."

Losing a thumb is a somewhat common injury in team roping. There's even a product called the Thumb-Saver, designed with team ropers in mind, to protect their opposable digits from harm.

Team roping requires the heeler to first lasso the steer's hind legs, then wrap the rope around the saddle horn to tighten the line between the

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