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Changes in Adult Ed Help Low-skilled Workers

BY TONY PUGH

McClatchy Newspapers (MCT)

WASHINGTON • President Barack Obama's recent proposal to "train 2 million Americans with skills that will lead directly to a job" barely scratches the surface of one of the nation's most vexing labor problems.

The "skills gap" between what employers need and job applicants offer already has become a drag on the economy, with nearly 3 million jobs unfilled even at a time of high unemployment.

Researchers at Georgetown University estimate that by 2018, nearly two-thirds of U.S. jobs will require some education or training beyond a high school diploma but not necessarily a bachelor's degree. But large swaths of the U.S. labor force lack the basic math and language skills needed to enroll in postsecondary education courses and the career-training programs that many specialized jobs require. Many who try to overcome these deficiencies through underfunded adult basic-education classes endure waiting lists or end up leaving before completing the courses.

But a handful of states, working with private foundations, local community colleges and area employers, are redesigning their adult basic-education programs to provide career training and remedial course work — reading, writing, language and math — at the same time.

A program in Louisville, Ky., allows low-skilled students to enroll in adult-education courses while attending community college. Other states, such as Minnesota and Washington, pair occupational trainers and adult-education instructors in the same classrooms to provide immediate assistance when problems or questions arise. In both models, participants are taught the specific language, math or reading skills needed to perform the jobs they're

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Swiped Seats

Mini-Cassia, long represented in Boise by six Idaho lawmakers, was handed an unquestionable loss with the state's new legislative district map. This May, members of a close-knit stable of experienced legislators will be forced to face off against each other if they hope to win another term in one of three available seats.

BY MELISSA DAVLIN

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BOISE • When Sen. Dean Cameron heard about Idaho's new map of legislative districts, he felt like he'd been punched in the gut.

The Rupert Republican has represented Minidoka and Jerome counties since his appointment to Senate in 1991. With the new legislative districts, adopted in late January, Minidoka and Cassia counties are grouped together in District 27.

Also in District 27: Cameron's close friend, DeLo Republican Sen. Denton Darrington.

With only one senate seat in the district, the Idaho Senate's two most senior members will be forced to face off against each other in the May primary election. Between Darrington and Cameron, plus the three representatives competing for the district's two House seats, Mini-Cas-

sia's legislative incumbents are the most affected by the new legislative boundaries.

And no matter who wins the primaries, Mini-Cassia will lose experienced legislators.

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During the decennial redistricting process, commissioners redraw Idaho's legislative boundaries to reflect population growth and shifts throughout the state. Each district sends two people to the House and one to the Senate, and must include roughly the same amount of people.

To get those equal populations, redistricting commissioners had to shift district boundaries throughout the state. In Mini-Cassia, that meant combining the two counties. Previously, Cassia was grouped with Oneida, Bingham and Power counties in District 27, while Minidoka and Jerome counties were paired in District 26.

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More Inside: Mini-Cassia isn't the only area fretting over the potential loss of representatives.

Water Measurement District Moves Forward

As their neighbors to the south wind up years of disputes over carefully measured water rights, some Blaine County water users will learn for the first time just how their rivers and aquifers are used.

BY KIMBERLEE KRUESI

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PICABO • The Upper Wood River measurement district was created for people like Scott Porter.

As a Bellevue irrigator, Porter holds a surface water right as old as 1883 and a groundwater right dated 1954. He says he rarely uses groundwater, but holds onto the water right because he believes northern groundwater pumpers could potentially dry up his surface water.

How likely is that? State water officials right now wouldn't be able to say. Unlike in the Magic Valley, they don't have data on diversions or well ownership in the Wood River Valley. The lack of information hinders the Idaho

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Rob Struthers, a local rancher in Picabo, pauses for a photo on Friday on a bridge over Silver Creek along Highway 20. Struthers is working to quantify ground water use in the Big Wood River drainage.

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Data from the Field.
Read more on P1.

IF YOU DO ONE THING TODAY ...

Catch a flick: "Hottest Ticket in Town" continues with "My Week with Marilyn." 1 p.m. at Twin Cinema 12 on Eastland Drive in Twin Falls. Tickets: \$9 each at Twin Cinema 12, CSI box office, 732-6288 or tickets.csi.edu.

THE FORECAST

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Cloudy.
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Motoring Through the Merry Old Land of Oz

A visit to any of the 44 Division of Motor Vehicles offices around Idaho is nothing to be anxious about. The folks you'll find inside are pretty much like the crowd standing in queues for All You Can Eat Shrimp at the Golden Corral.

Not so in California, where I moved last month. The Sacramento DMV is Oz, plain and simple.

Inside the front door stands a man — let's call him the Ringmaster, because no other term will do — whose job it is to manage the demands of the strangest crowd you'd never want to meet. Some are off their meds, others are confused, most are angry, some are trying to pass a California driver's test with no knowledge of any other language than Pashtu. And quite a few have not bathed in some time.

The Ringmaster's job is not to suffer fools gladly. And he does it so well.

"What is it you don't understand about what I just told you?" he said to a customer while I was standing in line nearby. "Fill out the paper and come back tomorrow."

"Not today. Tomorrow?" The Ringmaster clearly has some sort of supervisory position with the California Department of Motor Vehicles, but he's not paid enough. The man is a poster child for stroke.

And yet as a whole, this particular California DMV



office seems to grasp fully that they've collectively fallen through the rabbit hole and can't do much about it. I'm sure there are librarians and cops and teachers and other normal people who visit the Broadway office, but they're mostly outnumbered by aliens from the Planet Zircon.

One fellow I encountered had failed his eighth consecutive driver's test. He didn't take it well.

As a couple of security guards looked on tensely, he was remonstrating with his license examiner about how Jerry Brown — California's current and former governor — was out to get him. And always had been.

The driver's license testing comes at the end of the process at the DMV. My wife Victoria missed two of the 34 questions on her test and got her license. I missed eight and didn't.

Which means that come Monday, the Ringmaster and I will have to tango again.

I wonder what color the sky over DMV will be that morning?

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A view of Silver Creek from along Highway 20 on Friday west of Picabo.

Water

Continued from the front page

Department of Water Resources' ability to determine if a water user has infringed upon another user's right.

The department's taken the first step toward changing that. To better manage water-right conflicts between senior and junior water users, IDWR decided to form a water measurement district in the upper Big and Little Wood River basins. As the state's only active measuring district, it will be used to measure aquifer levels and monitor

groundwater diversions.

Surface-water users approve of the creation of the district, saying they're concerned that groundwater pumping is infringing upon their senior water rights.

"I feel bad for people up north. They're going to be scrambling to come up with a plan that has enough mitigation to cover them," Porter said. "On the other hand, I don't think I should not get my water because someone with a 1950 water right is pumping too much away from me."

The man in charge of overseeing the district is Rob

Struthers, who is also a groundwater user in Picabo.

Struthers will spend the next two years approving individual measurement plans and making sure water users are properly installing flow meters.

"We've been expecting this to happen for several years," he said. "My understanding is that the district will eventually turn into a water district, but first you have to quantify the water."

IDWR watermaster Cindy Yenter said irrigators have until May 1 to submit a measurement plan. Water users will be responsible for installing a flow meter to

track the water running through their pumps.

"This is truly just a measurement district," Yenter said. "It doesn't have the authority to administer water rights."

The job won't be easy. Once he finishes training, Struthers will have to check in with more than 700 water users over the next two years — but only after reading and approving each measurement plan.

However, he said he doesn't expect the job to be overwhelming.

"It's something we have to do, so we're going to do it," he said.

T.F. Harmonica Player to Make Second Appearance on 'The Tonight Show'

BY JAMI WHITED

For the Times-News

TWIN FALLS • Dorothy Custer has decided she must be living about 10 years for each of the characters she's impersonated throughout her 100 years.

"There's Diamond Lil," the Twin Falls woman laughed as she flipped through a thick picture book in her home Saturday. "...At this rate I'll have to live to be 120!"

And as laughable as it may sound, some wouldn't be surprised if she makes it.

"I've had fun all my life," she said with a big smile as she turned the page. "Just look at all the fun I've had."

Having fun is something Custer seems to share with everyone she comes into contact with — that and laughter. When she was a teacher years ago she found she had a much better reaction from her students if she brought in some comedy.

"Laughing is one of the main things to keep you going," she said.

Heading to California, she is all set to make the nation laugh Tuesday for her second appearance on The Tonight Show with Jay Leno.

"I think it's like a dream. I don't really think it's happening to me," she said.

Custer is looking forward to performing for the audience. She wouldn't share specifics, but said there's a special piece she wants to play with her famous harmonica skill and there might be a joke or two.

It'll be a short trip but she is especially happy to have three of her four children,



TIMES-NEWS FILE PHOTO

Dorothy Custer plays a harmonica at her Twin Falls home in early 2011. On Tuesday, Custer will make her second appearance on 'The Tonight Show.'

Carole Waller, Neal Custer and Colleen Weston take the trip with her. Her older son Gary died a few years ago.

While none of her children have played the harmonica as much as their mom, they all look forward to seeing her perform the special talent she picked up as a child.

"My brother played and I kind of felt that anything he could do, well I can do better," Custer laughed as she shook her fist.

The terms 'spitfire,' 'fireball,' 'Leno Lady' and other catchy terms describe the 100-year-old throughout Internet commentaries, but there is a new one in the mix. A recent news story dubbed her "America's Sweetheart."

"She and my dad, Marvin, were married for 68 years," Waller said. "I think it just

kind of fit because of that and with her being on the show special for Valentine's Day."

And what does Custer think of her new title?

"Well, I don't know about that," she said, with a somewhat bashful laugh. "I think they got the wrong pig by the tail with that one."

Her June appearance has made her something of a celebrity. She's received fan mail from all over the country and invitations to perform and make special appearances at parades and community events. Clips of her performances and one-liners have also made their way around the Internet.

The 15-minutes of fame hasn't fazed her, though.

"After the show was on in June, people would wave in

the stores like they knew her," Waller chuckled. "She'd say 'I'm still just me.'"

And it's true, Custer is still just having fun whenever she can, cracking jokes and playing the harmonica. In the summertime she'll often sit on her porch and play while she watches the cars go by.

"A doctor one time said that playing the harmonica is the best thing you can do for your lungs," she said. "And I believe him."

Joking that he's kind of an agent for his mom, Neal said the TV appearances are kind of a neat capstone for his mom's long life.

"It gives her something to think about and do," he said. "It helps keep her mind going and gives her something to look forward to."

CORRECTION

Wrong Group

Due to incorrect information provided to the Times-News, an article in Saturday's paper about a Twin Falls soldier listed the wrong group planning a fundraiser for the family of Terence Jones. The group planning the March 24 event is Sober Riders.

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Cold Casting
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Idaho High Court Hears Big Sky Dairy Lawsuit Appeal

The long-running legal battle over whether Jerome County officials properly handled the permitting of a sprawling feedlot near the Minidoka National Historic Site is headed toward a Supreme Court ruling.

BY BLAIR KOCH
 For the Times-News

BOISE • Five years have passed since a 13,000-animal feedlot in eastern Jerome County was proposed, spawning a battle between a private developer and supporters of a national historic site who called into question whether the county followed its own rules when originally granting the permits for the feedlot.

On Friday, the Idaho Supreme Court heard oral arguments in the appeal of a 2008 civil case a group of opponents of the South View Dairy (formerly Big Sky Farms) filed against Jerome County commissioners. In August 2010, 5th District Judge Robert Elgee upheld county officials' permitting of the feedlot, writing that the plaintiffs repeatedly failed to show that they were harmed or that the county acted in error.

The operation will be located about a 1 1/2 miles away from the Minidoka National Historic Site, former home of the Hunt Camp, which housed 13,000 Japanese Americans in more than 500 structures during World War II. Opponents of the feedlot who live more than a mile from the site challenged the constitutionality of a geographical limit on who

could testify against the proposal.

If the feedlot is built, said Hanako Wakatsuki, interpretive specialist assistant with the Idaho State Historical Society, it will "take away from the integrity of the story we are trying to tell."

South View Dairy attorney John Lothspeich said his clients "have a right to develop their private property."

The county originally denied the permit in 2007, but the Fifth District Court ruled commissioners erred in doing so and remanded the case back to the county. Commissioners approved the permit in 2008.

Eugene, Ore., attorney Charlie Tebbutt told the court the county failed to follow its own ordinances in approving the proposal, and even changed its policy to thwart due process for people who hoped to testify against the feedlot.

Tebbutt claimed that Jerome County drafted a new ordinance mandating written testimony be turned into the county seven days prior to the hearing, but enacted that requirement only five days prior to the feedlot hearing.

posed feedlot, disenfranchised many who would suffer from the facility, he said.

"Had that evidence been allowed to be entered into the record, the county would have had to deny the permit. Had they allowed everyone who would have been impacted to give evidence, they would have had to deny the permit," said Dean Dimond,

who owns property near the proposed feedlot. "They have a right to develop property, but not at a detriment to others."

Lothspeich argued that the county offered, albeit for a limited time, all corners the ability to testify for or against the development.

The court will likely issue a ruling in about three months.

CITY BEGINS NORTHEAST SEWER PROJECT ON MONDAY

TWIN FALLS • Beginning Monday, traffic will be restricted to one lane on Hankins Road between Addison Avenue East and Kimberly Road as the city begins its Northeast Sewer Project.

Flaggers will be in the work zone, and drivers should expect delays, according to a city news release. Work along Hankins Road is expected to be complete sometime in June. During construction, drivers should avoid traveling the road when possible, according to the release.

The Northeast Sewer Project is a multi-phase project to increase city sewer capacity and bypass existing sewer mains that run through the city. The increased sewer capacity will allow for future growth on the city's east side, including the southeast industrial zone and the new Chobani plant.

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Jaynes

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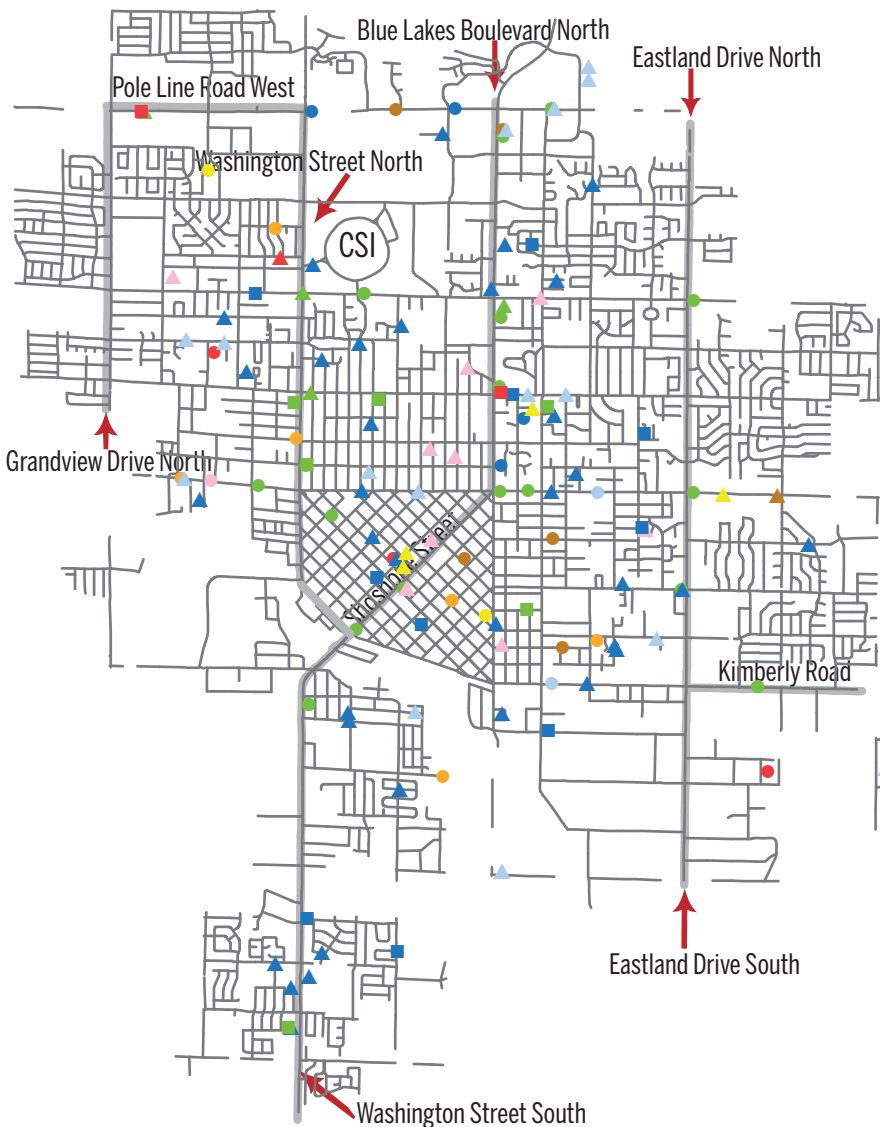
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5TH DISTRICT COURT NEWS

TWIN FALLS COUNTY

FELONY DISMISSALS
Betsy Diane Wilson, 40, Kimberly; grand theft, state dismissed the charge.
Kristian John Herbst, 47, Twin Falls; forgery, state dismissed the charges.
Mary Ellen Velasquez, 60, Twin Falls; forgery, state dismissed the charges.

DRIVING UNDER THE INFLUENCE SENTENCINGS

Jessica Shannon Patterson, 27, Twin Falls; driving under the influence, \$500 fine, \$400 suspended, 50 costs, 60 days jail, 13 suspended, 47 days time credited, driving privileges suspended 180 days, 12 months probation, no alcohol.
Jacob Nicholas Sellen, 25, Twin Falls; driving under the influence, \$800 fine, \$400 suspended, \$182.50 costs, \$75 public defender fee, 90 days jail, 88 suspended, 1 day time credited, driving privileges suspended 180 days, 12 months probation, no alcohol.
Edward Earl Caperon, 54, Pasco, Wash.; driving under the influence, \$800 fine, \$400 suspended, \$182.50 costs, 90 days jail, 88 suspended, 2 days time credited, driving privileges suspended 120 days, 12 months probation.

Derrick Richard Lingnaw, 46, Buhl; driving under the influence, \$800 fine, \$400 suspended, \$182.50 costs, \$75 public defender fee, 180 days jail, 177 suspended, 1 day time credited, driving privileges suspended 180 days, 12 months probation, no alcohol.

Thomas Lee Miller, 53, Twin Falls; driving under the influence, \$1,000 fine, \$800 suspended, \$182.50 costs, 365 days jail, 335 suspended, credit for time

served, driving privileges suspended 365 days, 24 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:
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Andrew Mark Vergara, seeking establishment of child support and Medicaid reimbursement: \$344 monthly support plus 58 percent of medical expenses not covered by insurance, 58 percent of any work-related day care expenses and \$5,171.15 in Medicaid reimbursement for birth costs.

DIVORCES FILED

Kenton Wonenberg vs. Kattie Wonenberg.
 Sarah Sterner vs. Shaun Paul Sterner.
 Katie Turnage vs. Joshua

Turnage.
 Sean Mauldin vs. Christina Mauldin.
 Nicholle Pehrson vs. Jordan Pehrson.
 Shaneen Dowdle vs. Harrison Gamino.
 Jason Bean vs. Krista Bean.
 Steven Riddleberger vs. Elizabeth Riddleberger.
 William Eldredge vs. Mary Eldredge.

SENTENCINGS

Kangmin Lee, 43, Twin Falls; driving under the influence, \$800 fine, \$400 suspended, \$182.50 costs, 90 days jail, 88 suspended, 1 day time credited, driving privileges suspended 180 days, 12 months probation.
Shantel Louise Harral, 25, Twin Falls; driving under the influence, \$1,000 fine, \$600 suspended, \$182.50 costs, 180 days jail, 170 suspended, 1 day time credited, driving privileges suspended 365 days, 12 months probation.

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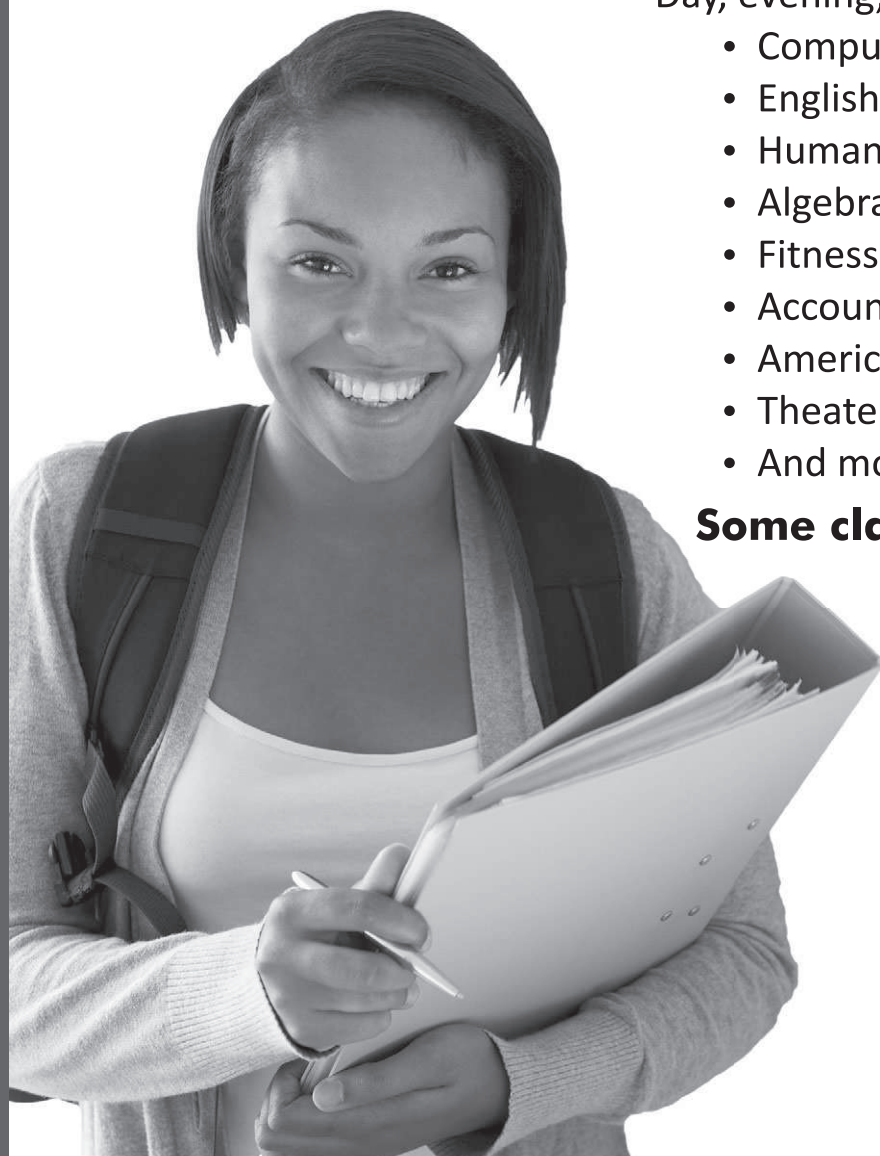
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Reporter Natalie Dicou meets up with a bookmobile in the small towns of Cassia County. Next Sunday in People

Hailey Airport Has Options, Consultants Say

BY KAREN BOSSICK
For the Times-News

HAILEY • There are a number of things that can be done to reduce the number of flights that must be diverted to Twin Falls from Friedman Memorial Airport during winter storms, a consultant told Airport Board members Thursday night.

But SkyWest and Horizon Airlines — the two commercial airlines serving the airport — have different approaches concerning how they'd best be served, he added.

The Airport Authority was forced to examine how to improve the present airport's reliability after the Federal Aviation Administration backed away from studies examining the feasibility of relocating the airport south

of its present site. The FAA blamed the impact the favored site would have had on sage grouse and the difficulty of attaining funding.

Increasing reliability would improve the airport's stock, prompting the FAA to be more willing to put funds into it. It could also help Sun Valley attract additional flights from places like Denver, acknowledged Authority Board Member Ron Fairfield.

Dave Mitchell of T-O Engineers, listed several changes that could reduce the number of weather-related diversions in a lengthy, highly technical presentation. Among them: changing the minimum ceiling and visibility requirements, improving ground-based navigational aids, installing dual-approach localizers, utilizing approaches from the north when war-

ranted and having missed approaches turn east instead of west.

Extending the runway from 7,550 feet to the ideal 8,200 feet would also make it easier for airlines to depart without decreasing their load on hot summer days when the temperature exceeds 86 degrees and the air is thinner, he added.

"I'm more concerned about getting people in. I'm not as concerned about getting them out," said Airport Authority Chairman Tom Bowman, tongue in cheek.

The board directed Airport Manager Rick Baird to present the findings to the FAA for guidance about which option or options would offer the best return on their investment.

"The information tonight shows, yes, we can improve

the reliability. If we can do that, we not only have the potential of receiving FAA funding but we can improve our diversion rate and visitor experience," said Blaine County Commissioner and airport authority board member Angenie McCleary. "Now it's time to go back to the FAA and tell them about what we learned. I don't feel we can make one decision over another tonight."

5TH DISTRICT COURT NEWS

CASSIA COUNTY

FELONY SENTENCING
Hope A. Morgan; delivery of controlled substance, \$265.50 costs, \$175 restitution, 1 year determinate time, 2 years indeterminate time, 26 days credited, retained jurisdiction.

FELONY DISMISSALS
Louis Merle Bequette, Jr.; grand theft (felony), dismissed on motion of prosecutor.

Amie Pool; fraud-no account check (felony), dismissed on motion of prosecutor.

DRIVING UNDER THE INFLUENCE SENTENCINGS
Ignacio Alvarado; driving under the influence, \$255 fine, \$182.50 costs, 90 days driver's license suspended, 12 months probation, 60 days jail, 58 days suspended, 1 day credited.

Ernesto Ortiz Martinez; driving under the influence (misdemeanor), \$400 fine, \$200 suspended, \$217.50 costs, 90 days driver's license suspended, 12 months probation, 60 days jail, 58 days suspended, 1 day credited, 30 days community service with 28 days suspended.

Dennis Wayne Hayden; driving under the influence (2nd offense) (misdemeanor) amended to driving under the influence (misdemeanor), \$300 fine, \$217.50 costs, 90 days driver's license suspended, 12 months probation, 60 days jail, 58 days suspended, 1 day credited, 30 days community service with 28 days suspended.

Louis Merle Bequette Jr.; probation violation, guilty.


Skyler Wade Garner; probation violation, 12 months probation.

Kevin Chad Housely; driving under the influence (misdemeanor), disposition withheld.

MINIDOKA COUNTY


DRIVING UNDER THE INFLUENCE SENTENCINGS
Juan Jose Gil; driving under the influence (2nd offense) (misdemeanor), \$500 fine, \$300 suspended, \$232.50 costs, 180 days driver's license, 24 months probation, 180 days jail, 178 days suspended, 1 day credited time, 80 hours

community service.
Aaron Michael Paul; driving under the influence (misdemeanor), disposition withheld.
Gerardo Fidel Munoz-Alvarez; driving under the influence (2nd offense) (misdemeanor), 365 days driver's license suspended, 24 months probation, 365 days jail, 335 days suspended, 30 days credited; driving without privileges, dismissed on motion of prosecutor.



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Education

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being trained for. The method works best for adults with seventh- to ninth-grade education levels who couldn't pass community college entrance exams. The colleges consult with area employers to determine which skills are most in demand so participants have the best chance of finding work quickly. The approach has been shown to be effective for jobs that require training certificates in fields as diverse as health care, advanced manufacturing, transportation, and logistics and professional services.

"What we're trying to do is get away from these long sequences where they're stuck in a traditional adult basic-education program for a year or longer, and only when they get their GED are they permitted to enroll in college. There are adult learners that we can double down on and essentially wipe out months of their time and effort by doing two things at once," said Barbara Endel, the program director at Jobs for the Future, a Boston-based national non-profit organization that's helping states revise their adult-education programs.

After losing her job at a Wal-Mart in 2010, 35-year-old Carolina Hernandez of Louisville, Ky., wanted to attend the Jefferson Community and Technical College and become a certified nursing assistant. But her math and writing skills were only at the junior high level because she left school in the ninth grade to help support her family when her mother was stricken with cancer.

Instead of postponing college to improve her math and writing, a special partnership between the college and the Jefferson County Public Schools allowed Hernandez to take remedial courses alongside her college-level biology and sociology courses — on the college campus.

The adult-education course work, which was



MAGGIE HUBER • MCT

Carolina Hernandez takes the blood pressure of patient Arthur Collins at Kindred Nursing and Rehabilitation facility in Louisville, Kentucky, Feb. 6. Hernandez was a single mom on welfare who dropped out in the 9th grade to help support her family when her mom developed cancer. She recently got her GED and nursing assistant certification through a program at the Jefferson County Community and Technical College that allowed her to take remedial math and writing courses taught by the Jefferson County Public Schools along with her college classes.

taught by school-district instructors, also helped Hernandez with her evening studies to earn a GED certificate.

Over the next year, Hernandez not only got her GED diploma, she also obtained her nursing assistant's certificate, passed the state exam and got a job at a nursing and rehabilitation center. This allowed her to leave welfare. She'll soon start work on a registered nursing degree and hopes one day to earn a doctorate in social work.

Hernandez said the best part of her education and training was the example she was setting for her three teenage daughters.

"I look at my daughters and I know that what I'm doing is paving roads for them," she said. "It's showing them that 'My mom didn't finish high school. It took her a long time to do it, but she worked

hard and she was dedicated. And if I could just put that kind of hard work and dedication to something in my life, I know I can do it, because my mom did it. She didn't take no for an answer."

Educational Enrichment Services, the partnership program that allowed Hernandez to take college and adult-education classes simultaneously, has helped more than 7,000 Louisville students since it was launched in 2003. Unlike remedial courses offered by the community college, Educational Enrichment Services courses are provided free, saving students more than \$590,000 in tuition last school year.

While Obama has called for 5 million new community college graduates by 2020, one national group estimates that 43 percent of U.S. adults have such weak math, read-

ing or English-language skills that it limits "their ability to fulfill their roles as workers, family members and citizens."

Only 8 percent of students who take English as a Second Language go on to postsecondary education of any kind, according to the non-profit Council for the Advancement of Adult Literacy.

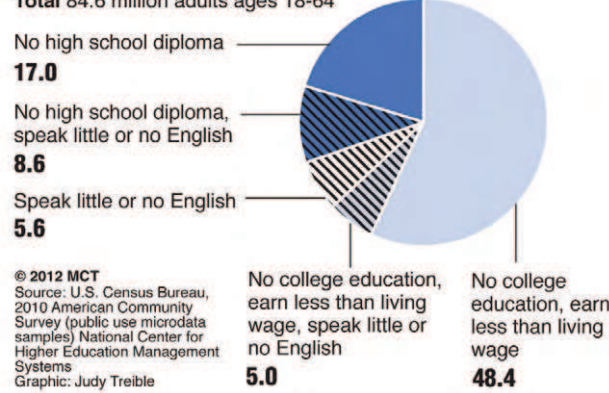
"These people are working. They have kids. Some have multiple jobs, and they get frustrated. Life happens," said Evelyn Ganzglass, the workforce-development director at the Center for Law and Social Policy, an advocacy organization in Washington for low-income people.

The result is a mass of low-skilled workers with little or no hope of finding gainful employment that could support families. The problem undermines communities, strains public-as-

Barriers to moving ahead

Working-age adults with barriers to completing college or job training that could advance their careers; in millions:

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stance programs and makes it harder for the U.S. to be globally competitive.

Studies have found that when low-skilled adults get career skills and remedial education at the same time, they're more likely to stick with the course work. That's

partly because they can envision the immediate benefits of their efforts, said Endel, of Jobs For the Future.

Merging job training and literacy skills was pioneered in Washington state in 2004 through Integrated Basic Education and Skills Training.

New Moscow Theater Located in Grain Silo

BY NICHOLAS K. GERANIOS
Associated Press

MOSCOW • David Harlan has taken the concept of theater-in-the-round to the next level. He's converted an old grain silo in this college town into a live theater space.

Harlan has already put on a successful production of Shakespeare's "The Tempest" in this unique theater, and more plays will be staged in the cavernous space this summer.

"There were a lot of people excited about seeing theater in a silo last summer," Harlan said. "It is an atmosphere that inspires awe and wonder."

The gray metal silo is more than 100 feet tall and 60 feet in diameter. The silos are located on the edge of downtown Moscow, population 18,000 and home to the University of Idaho, in an area otherwise dominated by coffee shops, book stores and other college essentials.

The complex of seven unused silos has long been considered an eyesore in town, and there have been plans to tear them all down.

Harlan, a former theater instructor at the university, had been talking with the owner of the silos, who wanted to convert them into retail and art space. Harlan decided to take a chance on the largest of them, known as "Tank 41."

"Last spring we decided to do this," Harlan said. "I committed to building a theater company around this space and our first show was last summer."

That show was Shakespeare's last play "The Tempest," staged with an all-female cast by what is known as Moscow Art Theater Too. Before the show could go on, Harlan swept off the ce-

ment floor, built rough wooden risers and installed stage lighting. Folding chairs provide seating for 120 people, surrounding the stage area. Doors had to be cut and installed in the metal sides of the silo.

The dressing room was a tent out back. Bathrooms were portables set up outside. They had to get a temporary use permit from the city.

Still, up to 80 people showed up for each of the eight performances of "The Tempest."

An immediate problem was that noise disappeared into the empty space overhead, which rises 10 stories to a leaky metal roof. That makes it hard to hear the actors.

A quick fix was installing over 100 yards of canvas just above the performance area to trap sound, but more work is needed, he said.

"Acoustics is a challenge," he said. "We have to figure out how to fix it."

Harlan wants to expand seating to 350 people, and improve the lighting.

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Those who attend will learn intensive nutrient and water management practices.

Representatives from the Idaho Soil and Water Conservation Commission also will provide details about the Twin Falls Nitrate Cooperative Conservation Partnership Initiative that can provide cost-share to implement the intensive practices discussed during the seven-segment workshop.

Lunch will be provided. For more information: 733-5380, ext. 3.

Moscow Maple Trees Off Limits to Tree Tappers

MOSCOW (AP) • Officials in Moscow say the city's maple trees are off limits to tree tappers looking to make maple syrup.

Officials on Friday issued a statement reminding northern Idaho residents that maple trees located within the street right-of-ways are subject to city laws and protections.

That means tapping the trees requires first getting city permission.

But officials say the city is not granting permission for the process that requires drilling into the trees.

The city says tapping can harm trees, especially older or stressed trees.

The announcement follows the creation of the Palouse Maple Syrup Cooperative, which offers to tap local maple trees and sell the product at discount prices.

POLICE SEEK MAN AFTER 3 FOUND DEAD IN WASH. HOME

SPOKANE, Wash. (AP) • Police said Saturday that they are looking for a 22-year-old man who is a "person of interest" in the deaths of a woman and two children whose bodies were found in a home in north Spokane.

Spokane police were trying to find Dustin W. Gilman, who was thought to be driving a silver 2007 Nissan Pathfinder.

The Spokesman Review reported that the slain woman was Tracy Ann Ader, 32. Spokane County property records confirm Ader has owned the home where the bodies were found since 2009.

On Friday, Officer Jennifer DeRuwe, a police spokeswoman, said investigators were looking "for one specific suspect" believed to be in a domestic relationship with the three

who were found dead Friday night.

Maj. Frank Scalise described it as "a potential domestic violence" situation.

DeRuwe said she couldn't specify the victims' relationship to each other.

"Several different children live in the home and we don't know exactly who is there," she said. "We're getting piecemeal reports from friends and neighbors."

Police responding to a 911 call about a dead body in a home found three bodies instead. DeRuwe said the neighborhood is near a main arterial through the city, several blocks from a park.

Officers who arrived were only able to verify that the victims were dead before they were forced to leave and seek a search warrant, she said.

NJ Man Seeks to Have VT Land Used as Mormon Center

SOUTH ROYALTON, Vt. (AP) • A man who tried for seven years to build a gift shop and delicatessen near the Vermont birthplace of Joseph Smith now wants to sell the land to a Mormon historical society that would build a museum and hospitality center.

John Lefgren said his unsuccessful effort to open the business on his land in Royalton went through several government agencies and courts, a dozen lawyers and tens of thousands of dollars in legal fees. He's now told the Royalton Planning Commission he wants to sell his

land to the Joseph Smith and Emma Hale Smith Historical Society.

Lefgren, who lives in New Jersey, told the *Valley News* he was financially drained and frustrated by the lengthy process, and hopes the historical society will be able to carry out his long-sought development.

"I'm not able to do what I think needs to be done by myself," said Lefgren. "It needs other resources, and I think this historical society will be able to tap into the funding and to realize what I would like to be done. That's my motivation to sell."

Redistricting

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Darrington has served in the Senate since 1982; Cameron since 1991. Their strengths complement each other. Cameron is co-chairman of the powerful Joint Finance-Appropriations Committee and is heavily involved in forming the state's budget, while Darrington specializes in judiciary and rules legislation. Both have a wealth of institutional knowledge and the support of their respective county parties.

Their discomfort with having to vie for the same Senate seat isn't just a professional issue, though. The two men have been friends for years.

Cameron's mother went to school with Darrington. Darrington's daughter married one of Cameron's relatives. When Cameron was appointed to the Senate, Darrington quickly became his mentor.

"Eastern Magic Valley is losing a legislative delegation. There is no question. We've had two delegations forever and we are now losing a delegation. So it definitely starts to weaken the rural part of the state just a little bit."

Sen. Denton Darrington, Declo Republican

"We neither one have the right kind of stomach to run against each other," Darrington said. "We're seat-mates. We're colleagues and we're close personal friends."

But both want to keep their positions, and plan to run in the primary. It's expected to be a competitive, clean race. Cameron praised Darrington for his institutional knowledge and his dedication to judicial issues in the state, while Darrington said Cameron is a powerful voice on JFAC.

"I will have nothing but good things to say about Denton," Cameron said. But he won't hesitate to ask Mini-Cassia residents to vote for him.

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For Mini-Cassia community leaders, choosing between Cameron and Darrington will be a difficult task.

Burley Economic Development Director Doug Manning said both are in tune with the people they represent.

"I think for the most part, they've supported the positions that we've taken to enhance economic development," Manning said. "And I hope that will continue to be the case, no matter who is in the office."

Kae Cameron, president of the Mini-Cassia Chamber of Commerce, agreed.

"They have been great with the Chamber and we've had a good working relationship with both of them," she said.

For her, the issue hits close to home. Kae Cameron married into Cameron's family, and is Darrington's daughter. But personal connections aside, it's going to be difficult to pick which senator to represent the district.

"It's going to be sad for our community to lose one of them ... because they are so good to our community and they do represent the constituents here, and they really do have the best interests of our community at heart," she said.

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The new District 27 also has three GOP incumbents for its two House seats: House Assistant Majority Leader Scott Bedke of Oakley, Burley physician Fred Wood and Rupert farmer Bert Stevenson.

No matter what happens in the primaries, Stevenson said, Mini-Cassia will lose two voices. Currently, with Cameron, Darrington, Stevenson, Wood and Bedke, the two counties have five people in the legislature. Rep. Maxine Bell, R-Jerome, previously represented Minidoka County in District 26 with Stevenson and Cameron, and is now in District 25 with rural Twin Falls County.

In late January, Bedke said

the new district made sense.

"There's a lot of things in common there," he said. "We don't call it the Mini-Cassia area for nothing."

Darrington agreed, pointing out that the counties share a chamber of commerce, a jail, a juvenile correction facility and the river.

"It's not a stretch to say we're a community of interest," he said. But, he added, he preferred other proposed maps that paired Cassia with rural Twin Falls County and left Rupert and Jerome counties together.

Such a pairing would have maintained the area's six voting members in the Legislature, instead of the three Mini-Cassia has with the new map.

Both Bedke and Wood plan to run for the two House seats. As of Tuesday, Stevenson wasn't sure what his next move would be.

"When you build up friendships with other legislators, then it's more difficult to determine what you want to do," he said. Bedke and Wood are both popular, talented representatives, he said. But, Stevenson added, he wants to make sure Minidoka County has a voice in the Statehouse.

Any way you measure it, the new legislative map handed Mini-Cassia a loss, both Darrington and Cameron said.

"Eastern Magic Valley is losing a legislative delegation. There is no question," Darrington said. "We've had two delegations forever and we are now losing a delegation. So it definitely starts to weaken the rural part of the state just a little bit."

But, he said, with no current challenges to the redistricting map, there isn't anything they can do about it.

"It is what it is," he said.

Rural Idaho's Diluted Voice

Mini-Cassia isn't the only area fretting over the potential loss of legislative clout as Idaho's population centers draw more people – and possibly lawmakers – into Gem State cities.

BY MELISSA DAVLIN
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BOISE • In a Feb. 2 House Education Committee meeting, Rep. Pete Nielsen, R-Mountain Home, railed against what he called urban control in Idaho.

"We have a large share of the counties in this state that are not represented here in the Senate or in the House," Nielsen said.

It's true. There are 105 state legislators and 44 counties, but counties with large population centers, like Twin Falls, have multiple residents in the Legislature, while some rural counties, like Lincoln, Camas and Power counties, have none.

With the state's new map of legislative districts, rural Idaho's dwindling legislative clout is an issue on many Gem State politicians' minds. More people in the cities will translate to fewer rural legislators and, some say, a weaker voice for agriculture and ranching.

In the 2010 census, Idaho showed a population growth of 21 percent over the past decade, with much of that growth concentrated in urban areas.

Ada County's population increased by 30 percent over the decade, while most rural counties grew at a slower rate – such as 9 percent in both Cassia and Gooding counties. Some rural counties even saw population decreases. Minidoka County dropped by half of a percent, and Caribou County dropped by 4.7 percent.

Every 10 years, the redistricting commission draws legislative boundaries based on those census numbers. This time around, that resulted in geographically massive rural districts, where people are spread out, and tiny urban districts with concentrated populations.

That's a trend that will

continue as more people move to the cities, predicted Sen. Tim Corder, R-Mountain Home. With the new legislative map, Corder would represent Owyhee and Elmore Counties, as well as a western slice of Twin Falls County that includes Castleford, if he were to be re-elected. He'll face incumbent Sen. Bert Brackett, R-Three Creek, in the May primary.

With the population shift comes a diluted representation for the rural community, said Sen. Denton Darrington, R-Declo. Corder agreed.

"Agriculture will be negatively impacted, I'm sure, as a result," Corder said.

Gretchen Clelland, chairwoman of the Twin Falls County Republican Central Committee, also expressed concern about communities like Castleford being grouped into sprawling districts.

"When you have a small population (in one town), and the population base is in a different county, it's hard to be represented," she said.

Rural legislative districts are also often hard to navigate. District 8, for example, stretches from Emmett to the Montana border and contains five counties and a large wilderness area. The three people elected to represent that area will have to travel hours to reach constituents. Ada County legislators, on the other hand, can drive through their population-dense districts in minutes.

In their findings, the commission pointed out that some districts are unwieldy and have massive wilderness areas separating small towns. But, they added, they had to follow an Idaho Supreme Court ruling that dictated they follow county lines whenever possible.

While the new districts are constitutional, they're going to be a pain for legislators.

"A district that would take a day and a half to drive around is difficult," Corder said. But just because it's hard doesn't mean people in those districts don't deserve equal representation.

"The rest of us will just have to help make up for it," Corder said.

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Micron CEO: 'Nothing Interim' About New Job

IDAHO STATESMAN

BOISE • The new chief executive officer of Micron Technology Inc. says there is nothing interim about his job.

Mark Durcan also says product development, possible acquisitions and improving markets are propelling the company forward following the death of the company's longtime leader, Steve Appleton.

Durcan made the comments Friday in his first meeting with analysts after Appleton's death, the *Idaho Statesman* reported. Appleton was killed Feb. 3 when his experimental plane crashed at the Boise Airport, west of Micron's desert campus.

"I can't do anything half-assed," Durcan said. "I'm not as good as Steve at some sports, but I'm a hard-nosed competitor. There is nothing interim about my role as CEO of Micron."

Analysts had been looking for a definitive statement concerning Durcan's role because Durcan had announced a week before Appleton's death that he was planning to step down as president and chief operating officer in August.

Micron's board appointed Durcan as the interim CEO hours after Appleton died, and the next day removed the interim part of the title.

Mike Howard, a semiconductor analyst in Boise for market-research company IHS iSuppli and a former Micron employee, said Durcan delivered the right message to a "room full of people who have a lot of influence over what your stock is worth."

Micron's stock dropped 2.8 percent to \$7.72 on the Monday after Appleton's death, which occurred on a Friday. Seven days after Appleton's death, Micron's stock closed at \$7.91, down 4

cents from the previous Friday.

"I think Steve would have been happy" with Durcan's comments, said Betsy Van Hees, a senior vice president and semiconductor analyst at Wedbush Securities' San Francisco office.

In other moves following Appleton's death, the board promoted Mark Adams from vice president of worldwide sales to president.

Howard said Appleton believed that the industry would consolidate.

"I would expect Mark was fully aware of that," Howard said, adding Appleton's goal was to be the last company standing in that consolidation process. "As long as you were around when the music stopped, it was great."

Van Hees said Micron appears to be in good shape.

"Micron sits as a well-established, financially stable leader in the memory markets," she said.

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Westminster Kennel Club Director of Communications David Frei, right, leads a dog procession across 7th Ave on Jan. 26 with last year's champion Hickory, a 5-year old Scottish Deerhound, ahead of a news conference in New York.

BY BEN WALKER
Associated Press

NEW YORK • Pet lovers won't have to look away anymore when those heart-wrenching TV ads appear during the Westminster dog show — the ones with the pitiful little faces peering out from behind those rusted bars of a cage and wondering "how I ended up in here."

Happy dogs will rule the air waves this year, thanks to a new sponsor for America's most prestigious dog competition and a decision to air ads that shift the focus away from sad-eyed animals in

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Nestle Purina PetCare is the new sponsor for America's most prestigious dog competition that begins Monday at Madison Square Garden, replacing Pedigree after 24 years. The switch will bring a shift in the tone of the television commercials that drew nearly as much

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TAX TIME

Many 2010 Tax Breaks Still in Place for 2011

BY CAROLE FELDMAN
Associated Press

There are tax breaks for college students, job hunters and victims of natural disasters. If much of it seems familiar, that's because it is.

With all the talk about tax reform, there weren't many changes to tax law in 2011.

"For most people the numbers are changing but the basic concepts are the same," said Jeff Schnepfer, author of "How to Pay Zero Taxes" (McGraw-Hill, 2011).

Still, don't be complacent.

As always, tax filers should be sure to take all the deductions and credits for which they're eligible. And because of adjustments to things like the standard deduction and personal exemption, "some of the breaks they didn't qualify for last year, they may qualify this year, especially if they didn't get a raise," said Barbara Weltman, contributing editor to J.K. Lasser's "Your Income Tax 2012."

That's because many deductions and credits phase out at higher incomes.

The one tax break that almost every worker got, regardless of income, was the 2 percentage point reduction in Social Security payroll taxes in 2011. And there was nothing to file. "The savings were immediate," Schnepfer said, showing up as more take-home pay.



Tai Sung, a master tax adviser at H&R Block, center, consults with clients on Jan. 6 at his office in Rockville, Md. Tax advisers recommend starting early and filing electronically.

Congress passed a two-month extension of the Social Security tax reduction just days before it was to expire at the end of 2011, and said it would negotiate to keep it in place for the full year.

But things like the Alternative Minimum Tax patch were already in place long before the end of the year, meaning it

should be a smooth start to the tax filing season.

Tax rates are the same as in the 2010 tax year, ranging from a low of 10 percent to a high of 35 percent. The lower long-term capital gains rates of 0 percent and 15 percent are good through the end of 2012.

And those with higher incomes won't see their personal

exemptions and itemized deductions reduced.

Three bits of advice from Mark Steber, chief tax officer for Jackson Hewitt Tax Services, to taxpayers beginning to think about 2011 returns: "You need to be organized, you need to collect your records, you need to electronically file."

Adds Internal Revenue Service spokesman Terry Lemons, "Give yourself some time. Don't wait until the absolute last minute. Don't rush and don't panic."

Last year, the IRS received more than 145 million returns. More than 75 percent of filers were entitled to a refund, averaging \$2,913.

Of those returns, about 112 million were filed electronically.

Weltman expects electronic filing to increase further because of IRS rules requiring e-filing by paid preparers who do more than 10 returns.

Electronically filed returns tend to have fewer errors, and give the taxpayer the convenience of filing at any time, day or night, without having to wait at the post office, she said. It also can mean quicker refunds, particularly if you use direct deposit.

"It's a win-win for the government because it costs less to process," Weltman said. "It's a win-win for taxpayers because they get their money back faster."

She said security has been good, although in November, the Treasury Inspector General for Tax Administration called on the IRS to improve the way it tracks performance and security issues in its new e-filing system, scheduled to be fully in place by 2013.

"People can file electronically with confidence," Lemons said. "Protecting taxpayer data is our top priority."

This year, TurboTax and H&R Block have applications that allow people to file the simplest tax returns, those using form 1040EZ, on iPhones or Androids. Both companies say filing on smartphones is safe and secure.

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Unemployed workers use computers to search for jobs in January 2011 at the Virginia Employment Commission's Reemploy Virginia office in Mechanicsville, Va.

All 2011 Unemployment Insurance Benefits Taxable

BY CAROLE FELDMAN
Associated Press

The jobless rate is dipping, but millions of people are still out of work. And that could have implications when they file their income tax returns.

Collecting unemployment insurance benefits? All that you received in 2011 is taxed as income. Unless you requested that federal taxes be withheld, you could be in for a big surprise when you calculate taxes owed.

"People tend to believe unemployment benefits are still not taxable," said Bob Meighan, a vice president at TurboTax. That was the case in 2009, for the first \$2,400 in unemployment benefits. But that provision was not renewed by Congress.

If it's any consolation, you may find yourself in a lower tax bracket because of reduced income, even counting the unemployment benefits. And you might also be eligible for tax breaks that you didn't qualify for before.

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Filing Your Taxes: There's an App for That

BY CAROLE FELDMAN
Associated Press

For the taxpayer on the go trying to file a return quickly and easily, there's an app for it.

"We're trying to anticipate and follow trends you see in the real world," said Bob Meighan, a vice president at TurboTax.

And the trend is mobile, from smart phones to tablets. "People want simple solutions," he said.

Taxes-on-the-go applications are a natural next step to the explosion in electronic filing. TurboTax has SnapTax, which allows those filing the simplest tax form — 1040EZ — to file directly from their iPhone or android. Similarly, H&R Block has H&R Block At Home for filing simple returns via those smart phones.

The IRS says the typical 1040EZ filer is a wage earner who has income of less than \$100,000, is under 65, and doesn't have kids, own a home, or qualify for most other deductions or credits.

Meighan said about 24 million people file the 1040EZ. "You can literally do your return in 10 or 15 minutes max," he said.

Taxpayers can use smart phones to take pictures of documents like the W-2 form, and an optical reader in the application imports the photos into the tax forms.

Both companies allow you to download the applications for free, but there's a cost for filing.

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(ABOVE) SnapTax by TurboTax is one of many taxes-on-the-go applications — a natural next step in the explosion of electronic filing of personal income taxes.



Flooded buildings, fields and roads are seen in September 2011 near Liberty, N.J., as remnants of Tropical Storm Lee continued to pound the region with heavy rain. There were a record number of billion-dollar natural disasters in the United States in 2011, and taxpayers who suffered losses may be able to get some relief when they file their income tax returns.

Tax Relief for Losses in Natural Disasters

BY CAROLE FELDMAN
Associated Press

WASHINGTON • Tornadoes and hurricanes. Wildfires and floods. Earthquakes and blizzards.

There were a record number of billion-dollar natural disasters in the United States in 2011, and taxpayers who suffered losses might be able to get some relief when they file their income tax returns.

"It's a silver lining on otherwise terrible events," said Mark Steber, chief tax officer at Jackson Hewitt Tax Service.

"Tax laws in many cases are very favorable," he said. There are special provisions if the loss is a result of a federally declared disaster. But losses don't have to fall into

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that category to be deductible, said Bob Meighan, a vice president at TurboTax. Even if the storm was localized and on a smaller scale, you still might be eligible to take a casualty deduction for losses exceeding what you were reimbursed by insurance.

The Internal Revenue Service defines a casualty loss as “the damage, destruction or loss of your property from any sudden, unexpected or unusual event such as a flood, hurricane, tornado, fire, earthquake or even volcanic eruption.”

There were plenty of those events last year, ranging from the Groundhog Day blizzard that hit many central, eastern and northeastern states, to tornadoes in the Midwest and Southeast, Texas wildfires and Hurricane Irene. The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration says there were 12 natural disasters last year that each wreaked more than \$1 billion in damages.

Losses from natural disasters generally are treated like other casualty losses or theft on your income tax.

What’s not deductible: damage by the family pet, or accidental breakage or losses as a result of normal wear and tear — “progressive deterioration,” the IRS calls it.

If your property is covered by insurance, the IRS requires that you file a claim with the insurance company in a timely manner before trying to deduct the loss.

Only losses not covered by insurance may qualify for relief on your federal income tax. To be deductible, your total loss — less \$100 for each loss event during the year — must exceed 10 percent of your adjusted gross income.

If it doesn’t, it’s possible you could still treat it as a net operating loss that can be claimed on past or future tax returns. Check with a tax specialist.

Jeff Schnepfer, author of “How to Pay Zero Taxes” (McGraw-Hill, 2011), said it’s important to establish the cost and fair market value of the damaged items before the disaster, and then the fair market value afterward. “The best way to prove that is pictures.”

Filing insurance claims also will help establish the worth of the property and the extent of the damage.

You’ll have to file Form 4684 and itemize deductions, also filing Schedule A with your tax return. IRS Publication 547 provides information and instructions for filing casualty and theft deductions.

At a Glance Tax Stats

The Internal Revenue Service has released the following statistics comparing the 2011 and 2010 tax filing seasons, as of Dec. 31, 2011.

	2010	2011	% change
Total individual returns received	142,449,000	145,320,000	2.0
Total returns filed electronically	98,740,000	112,226,000	13.6
Total money refunded	\$328.4 billion	\$318.5 billion	-3.0
Average refund	\$3,003	\$2,913	-3.0

— Associated Press

Tax Breaks

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“We’ve done the work to mitigate the fact of your file being compromised,” said Bob Meighan, a vice president at TurboTax. Data on returns filed through the company’s SnapTax app are encrypted and stored on the TurboTax server, not the phone; if you lose your phone before you file, you’ll have to re-enter the information. Once you’ve filed, you can check on the status of the return and get a copy through TurboTax’s website.

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Taxpayers this year will benefit from an increase in the personal exemption, to \$3,700. The standard deduction, available to those who don’t itemize, rose to \$11,600 for married couples filing a joint return; \$5,800 for singles and married individuals filing separate returns; and \$8,500 for heads of household. Those who are 65 or older or who are blind may be eligible for a higher standard deduction.

The Alternative Minimum Tax threshold increases to \$74,450 for a married couple filing a joint return, \$48,450 for singles and heads of household, and \$37,225 for married individuals filing separately. The AMT originally was passed to make sure that people weren’t using loopholes to avoid paying taxes. Since it is not automatically adjusted for inflation, millions more taxpayer would be affected if Congress didn’t approve a patch every year or two to effectively make an inflation adjustment. Taxpayers with incomes above the threshold could be liable for the AMT, which excludes some deductions.

That said, make sure you claim deductions to which you are entitled. Meighan said people tend to underestimate the value of things donated to charity, for instance, thinking that if they deduct too much it could lead to an audit. TurboTax uses a program called It’s Deductible to help people assess the value of their donations, and there are other programs online, too. Take photos of the items you donate, including the tags if the items are new.

“Words don’t really describe the condition,” Meighan said. “Pictures don’t lie.”

If your drive to drop off your items to a charitable organization, or commute to a soup kitchen to volunteer, you

can also deduct 14 cents a mile. “Keep a log of it,” he said.

And you can deduct mileage if you move to take a new job — or a first job, provided you meet a distance test. The rate for the first half of 2011 is 19 cents per mile, and for the last half, 23.5 cents a mile. You can deduct the cost of lodging if you had to stay overnight on the way to your new home, but not the price of meals. You can find more information in IRS publication 521.

For people who collected unemployment before finding that new job, those benefits are taxable. “Hopefully, they’ve had taxes withheld,” Meighan said. Otherwise, they could get hit with a bigger tax bill.

Withholding is voluntary. If you’re still unemployed and want taxes withheld this year, use Form W-4V.

Unemployed people might find themselves eligible for some tax breaks they didn’t get when they were working. Their reduced income may make them eligible for the earned income tax credit, or education credits and deductions. The IRS says the American Opportunity Credit could be particularly relevant because it’s partially refundable.

But you don’t have to be unemployed to qualify for education tax breaks.

“More often than not, we found that people miss the American Opportunity Credit,” said Kathy Pickering, executive director of the Tax Institute at H&R Block. It’s a maximum credit of \$2,500 toward the cost of tuition and other higher-education expenses, and can be used for the first four years of college if the student is enrolled at least half-time.

There is also a tuition and fees deduction, as well as a deduction for interest paid on student loans.

They all phase out at higher incomes.

Credits directly reduce the income tax you owe. Deductions reduce the income on which your taxes are computed.

Taxpayers who spent money making their homes more energy efficient, such as installing insulation, new windows or water heaters, can get up to a \$500 credit. The credit for installing solar, wind or other alternative energy equipment is 30 percent of the cost.

There’s also some tax relief for people who lost property or suffered damages in hurri-

canes, wildfires, tornadoes and other natural disasters in 2011. Losses over and above what was covered by insurance may be deductible if they exceed 10 percent of your adjusted gross income. However, the first \$100 of loss from each particular event isn’t deductible; subtract that before applying the 10 percent rule.

It’s still not too late to take advantage of one tax-reducing option: contributing to an individual retirement account. You can do that up until the tax filing deadline — April 17th this year because of the Emancipation Day holiday in Washington, D.C. Make sure to check with your state to see if its deadline has been extended as well.

Any funds moved from a traditional IRA to a Roth IRA must be reported as income. For 2010 only, you had the option of deferring half the amount to 2011. If you chose that option, don’t forget to report it on your 2011 tax return.

If you have money left in flex spending accounts, check with your employer on the final day to submit receipts for 2011 expenses.

And don’t fret if you need more time to file. You can always file for an extension.

“You don’t have to give a reason,” Weltman said. “But pay as much as you think you owe,” to minimize any late payment penalties.

And for those who don’t have the money to pay?

Lemons said the IRS has a “safety net for struggling taxpayers,” including installment agreements and other options.

“You should really go ahead and file your tax return even if you can’t pay,” he said. “If you can’t pay us, contact us.”

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What if you lose your phone?

“People should always be

concerned about security,” Meighan said. “We’ve done the work to mitigate your file being compromised.”

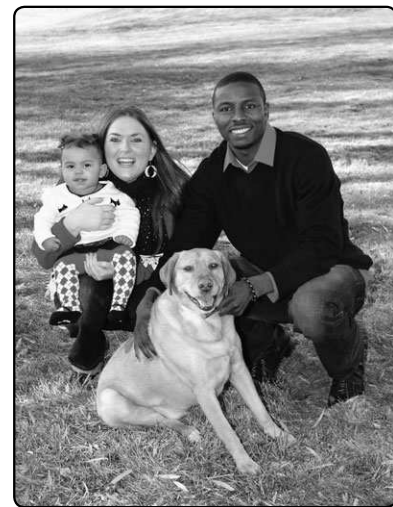
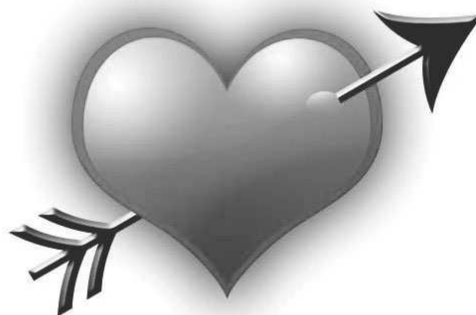
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The Internal Revenue Service also has an application for iPhones and androids, IRS2Go, that lets taxpayers check on the status of refunds and get tips. It can’t be used to

actually file a return. A report by the Inspector General for Tax Administration said that for security reasons, taxpayers should only download the application from the Apple App store or the Android Market.

IRS spokesman Terry Lemons said an update to the IRS app later this year will link to the agency’s YouTube videos and give taxpayer tips. “We’re never going to challenge Angry Birds for downloads but we got a pretty good response last year,” he said.

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Raymond Hohosh and Sonia Hohosh, co-owners of Old School Bakers & Candy Makers, cut the red ribbon with Mini-Cassia Chamber of Commerce ambassadors.

Old School Bakers & Candy Makers Celebrates Grand Opening in Burley

BURLEY • Old School Bakers and Candy Makers, owned and operated by Raymond and Sonia Hohosh, recently opened at 1229 Overland Ave., in Burley.

Business hours are 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. weekdays; phone: 878-5660.

The business makes artisan bread, cinnamon rolls, cakes, handmade chocolates, caramels, brittles and cookies. It also serves pizza from 2-7 p.m. Mondays. Special orders are welcome.

Drop in and sample their daily specials: pizza and cinnamon rolls on Monday; French baguettes and whole wheat bread on Tuesday; cinnamon rolls and multi-grain bread on Wednesday; French baguettes and raisin walnut bread on Thursday; cinnamon rolls and ham and cheese turnovers on Friday.

The store will soon carry herbs, spices and European gourmet cheeses.

Pomerelle Ave., in Burley held a ribbon cutting with Mini-Cassia Chamber of Commerce ambassadors to commemorate the opening of the new location.

Northwest Farm Credit has had a presence in the Mini-Cassia area since the early 1960s, with former branches in Burley and Rupert. Previously, its Burley location operated on Albion Avenue for 39 years until the move to the new location.

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Candy Cane Lane owner Rachel Hansen cuts the red ribbon with Mini-Cassia Chamber of Commerce ambassadors.

Candy Cane Lane Celebrates Grand Opening

BURLEY • Candy Cane Lane, owned by Rachel Hansen, recently opened at 1229 Overland Ave., in Burley. Business hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday-Saturday; phone: 878-5660.

The business is a fashion and home decor boutique. It carries accessories, handbags, jewelry and more. It also includes "Make Me Take Me," a DIY craft section with a vinyl cutter for custom orders. It also carries windows, tiles, wood and more for crafts.

Information: www.candycanelaneburley.com.



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From front left: Bill Butts, Terri McBride, Rod Barton, Doug Adams, Desiree Fairchild, Stephanie Curtis and Darby Bemrose; middle: Kiersten Lancaster, Joe Stringham, Tina Hanssen, Carleen Clayville and Kevin Simmons; back: John Shell, Wayne Schwindeman, Nate Lancaster and Jayne Runyon.

Cassia Regional Helipad Celebrates Grand Opening

BURLEY • The Mini-Cassia Chamber of Commerce ambassadors recently hosted a ribbon cutting for the grand opening of Cassia Regional Helipad, located at Cassia Regional Medical Center, 1501 Hiland Ave., Burley.

Cassia Regional held the final inspection and ribbon cutting ceremony for its new helipad on Dec. 28. The day marked the culmination of a project that started in the spring 2011. Cassia Regional's new helipad will provide safer takeoffs and landings. In 2011, Cassia Regional recorded 113 air ambulance landings. Cassia Regional Medical Center's phone number is 678-4444.



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Dr. Ty Bodily cuts the red ribbon at Seasons Dental with family and Mini-Cassia Chamber of Commerce ambassadors.

Seasons Dental Celebrates Grand Opening

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From front left: Bob Blakeslee, Reiley Griffin, Lisa Williams, Stacey Kriegh, and Travis Lammers cutting the ribbon. Back, Mike Wheeler, vice-chairman of the Burley Local Advisory Committee and Mini-Cassia Chamber of Commerce ambassadors.

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attention as who won best in show.

Gone will be the haunting music and woeful pictures of dogs with pleading eyes wasting away at the pound, hoping to be adopted. Instead, Purina's main spots will feature dogs running on the beach, catching a Frisbee, frolicking in the snow and riding a surfboard.

Frei said he thought the Pedigree commercials took the wrong approach, backed by viewers who either muted the spots or flipped the channel and didn't turn back.

"Show me an ad with a dog with a smile. Don't try to shame me," he said. "We told them that and they ignored us."

He added: "Our show is a celebration of dogs. We're not promoting purebreds at the expense of non-purebreds. We celebrate all dogs," he said. "When we're seeing puppies behind bars, it takes away from that. Not just because it's sad, but it's not our message."

More than 2,000 purebred champion dogs are entered in the 136th Westminster Kennel Club show, with the winner to be chosen Tuesday night. Each evening at the Garden, an announcement is read over the public-address system encouraging people to visit shelters and adopt a pet.

The commercials air on USA Network and CNBC, which share coverage of the event. About 3.4 million viewers watched last year when a Scottish deerhound called Hickory won.

Pedigree was "surprised and disappointed" when it was dropped by Westminster, senior brand manager Lisa Campbell said.

Campbell said Westminster had made it clear in recent years "that we had become too focused on adoptions." She acknowledged that the ads struck a nerve and said there are other ways to encourage pet adoption.

She was certain, though, that the ads were effective. Campbell said shelters around the country had

thanked Pedigree for raising the plight of homeless dogs. She said 4 million dogs get put in shelters each year and only half make it out. Among those who found a home was Sweet Pea, the pug mix she regularly takes to work with her.

"Westminster has been a great platform for us," she said. "We were able to tap into a dog-loving audience."

Melissa Martellotti, spokeswoman for parent company Mars Petcare US, said Pedigree had contributed \$7 million to the pet adoption cause since 2006.

Frei said Westminster has input into the commercials Purina will show during its multiyear deal as a sponsor. He said Westminster had the same understanding with Pedigree, "but things that ended up on the air were not what we were led to believe."

Purina had long maintained a presence at Westminster and became a partner last June. Candy Caciolo, the company's portfolio director of specialty, breeder and pet acquisition, arrived in New York on Thursday, minus her two standard poodles, Peaches and Anne.

The companies and show officials declined to say how much Purina or Pedigree paid to secure advertising rights.

Caciolo said next week's ads had been in development for quite a while. While Purina was aware of the reaction Pedigree's commercials elicited over the years, "it wasn't really an issue for us," she said.

Purina's ads are based on a theme: Inside every good dog is a great dog. Its main 60-second spot shows lots of wagging tails — there are therapy dogs, rescue dogs, guide dogs, show dogs, household pets and a playful pooch greeting a serviceman.

Said Caciolo: "We're unleashing a new direction."



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A Taxpayer's Nightmare: the IRS Audit

BY CAROLE FELDMAN
Associated Press

It's a taxpayer's worst nightmare: the letter in the mail from the Internal Revenue Service.

"It creates a lot of anxiety," said Bob Meighan, a vice president at TurboTax, the tax preparation software.

Sometimes the mailed notices are benign: You forgot to sign your return, or the IRS recalculated your entries and found that you made a math error and are due a refund. But the more ominous ones question income, deductions or some other entry.

The IRS defines an audit as "a review-examination" of a return "to verify the amount of tax reported is accurate." If you are selected for one, the agency has on its website a video guide to the process.

In 2011, the IRS audited nearly 1.6 million individual returns, slightly more than 1 percent of the total filed. About three-quarters were done by correspondence, the rest through field examinations done in person by an IRS agent.

Only 1 percent of people with incomes under \$200,000 had their returns audited; the audit rate for those with incomes of \$1 million and higher was about 12.5 percent.

IRS spokesman Terry

Lemons said the vast majority of taxpayers fill out their returns accurately and have nothing to be concerned about.

"We have a variety of screening processes to make sure we catch the people who are cutting corners," he said.

So how does the IRS select which returns to audit?

"There's no magic equation," said Mark Steber, chief tax officer for Jackson Hewitt Tax Services.

Some returns are selected for audit through computer screening. An IRS computer "basically compares data from (McGraw-Hill, 2011) your return to average numbers from people in similar situations and they look for variances," said Jeff Schnep- per, author of "How to Pay Zero Taxes" (McGraw-Hill, 2011).

"They look for big changes, things that shouldn't be there," he said.

What's reviewed are things like charitable contributions, interest income, and whether there are variations from averages in your income bracket or zip code. "Every time there's a major variance, the computer is going to click," he said.

Others are selected randomly, and still another group is selected by document matching to see if forms like the W-2 match

what was reported on your income tax return.

There's yet another category — "related examinations," the IRS calls it. "Returns may be selected for audit when they involve issues or transactions with other taxpayers, such as business partners or investors, whose returns were selected for audit."

The agency will notify taxpayers of an impending audit by telephone or mail. Email is not used, the agency said.

"Just because your return has been selected for an audit doesn't suggest you made an error or you're dishonest," the IRS says in its video guide. "It might surprise you to know that audits can result in acceptance of the tax return without change or even a refund."

The IRS has a Declaration of Taxpayer Rights that sets forth what you can expect from an audit, ranging from privacy and confidentiality to professional and courteous service. Taxpayers have the right to representation at an audit or to have someone else represent them, and to make an audio recording of the session. They may appeal the judgment, either to the Appeals Office or to a court, and can request that penalties and interest be waived.

Accuracy is the best defense in an audit — and hav-

ing the records to confirm it. Lemons said using tax preparation software and filing electronically can help catch some common mistakes.

"It's important that you do things accurately, and you think through those items reported by third parties and make sure those are going to match up," said Greg Rosica, tax partner at Ernst & Young accounting firm.

He advises paying attention to the simple things — like correctly reporting your Social Security number or the number of dependents.

"If you've gone through and you have a well-organized file, there's not so much to be worried about," he said.

Steber said that claiming deductions for a home office likely will attract IRS scrutiny.

As for charitable contributions, he said there's no particular amount likely to catch the IRS' attention.

"Don't shortchange yourself," he said. Find out what donated items sell for, at a thrift store, for example, or

ported income," he said.

It's important to keep the records you've used to file your returns for at least three years. Generally that's the time frame in which the IRS can conduct an audit.

"The name of the game with the IRS is paper," Schnep- per said. "Keep your records. Keep your receipts. If you have your receipts, you win."

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"If you have major household changes, say you lost your job in 2011, we encourage people to take a close look at things like the earned income credit," Internal Revenue Service spokesman Terry Lemons said.

He said people should go ahead and file their taxes even if they don't have the money to pay any taxes that are due. "There are more options there than many people realize," he said, including installment agreements.

The aftermath of the Great Recession, which gripped the nation from 2007 to 2009, is still being felt across America. Employers still worried about the state of the economy are hesitant to bring on new workers. And many of the more than 13 million unemployed people have stopped looking for jobs.

For those who spent part or all of 2011 searching for work, there are tax breaks.

"All of those job search expenses are deductible — the stationery, the long-distance phone calls, the hotels, anything you can relate to the job search," said Jeff Schnep- per, author of "How to Pay Zero Taxes" (McGraw-Hill, 2011).

To qualify for this deduction, you have to be looking for a job in the same field or profession as your previous one. Expenses incurred trying to get your first job are not deductible. "Until you start working, you don't have a profession," Schnep- per said.

You also have to itemize. And the cost of preparing your resume, working with job search services, mileage and other job search expenses has

to exceed 2 percent of your adjusted gross income if you are to benefit, according to Greg Rosica, tax partner with Ernst & Young.

Make sure you save your receipts. "You have to be able to substantiate," he said.

Those out of work may find the jobs have dried up in their cities or towns. "Many people are picking up and moving to where the jobs are," Meighan said.

If you land a job across town or across the country, you might be eligible to take a deduction for moving expenses. "It's an above-the-line deduction, dollar for dollar a reduction in your income," Schnep- per said. In this case, unlike job-search expenses, you don't have to itemize to take advantage of the deduction.

To qualify, there's a distance test that has to be met: Your new job has to be at least 50 miles farther from your old house than your former job was.

Also unlike the job-search deduction, you can deduct moving expenses even if this is your first job, provided your workplace is at least 50 miles from your former home. Same if you're returning to work after being unemployed, the IRS says.

And there's a requirement that you work at least 39 weeks in the new location over the first 12 months in the new area. You can take the deduction even if you started your job late in the year and won't meet the time test in 2011. But if you fail to meet it in 2012, you'll either have to file an amended return or report the deduction as income when you do your 2012 taxes.

What's deductible? The IRS says expenses that are "reasonable for the cir-

cumstances of your move." That includes the cost of moving yourself and members of your household, as well as your household goods and personal effects. Shipping a car or the family pet is covered.

If you drove to your new home during the first half of 2011, the mileage rate is 19 cents per mile. The rate for July through December is 23.5 cents a mile. Or, the IRS gives you the option of deducting the actual cost of gas and oil for the car. But if the car broke down on the move, you cannot deduct the cost of the repair.

The cost of lodging on the way to your new home is deductible, but not the meals you eat on the road.

These days, "moving can be hard to do," especially if you can't sell your house in the depressed housing market, said Mark Steber, chief tax officer for Jackson Hewitt Tax Services. If you decide to commute to the new job instead of relocating, those commuting expenses are not deductible.

To claim the moving expense deduction, file Form 3903 with your tax. IRS publication 521 provides more information.

If you went back to school to train for a new job, you may qualify for the American Opportunity Credit, which is partially refundable, or another education tax break.

Looking ahead to 2012, if you're still on unemployment you can use Form W-4V to voluntarily request that a flat 10 percent tax be withheld.

"Withholding on these payments is voluntary," the IRS said. "However, choosing this option may help avoid a surprise year-end tax bill or a possible penalty for having paid too little tax during the year."



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Obama Budget: New Spending with Recycled Tax Ideas

The President's 2013 budget, set for release Monday, is the official start to an election-year budget battle with Republicans.

BY ANDREW TAYLOR
Associated Press

WASHINGTON • The White House is focusing on re-election themes such as jobs and public works projects in President Barack Obama's new budget blueprint while relying on familiar but never enacted tax increases on the wealthy and corporations to reduce future deficits after four years of trillion dollar-plus short-falls.

Obama's 2013 budget, set for release Monday, is the official start to an election-year budget battle with Republicans. It's unlikely to result in a genuine effort to address the \$15 trillion national debt or the entrenched deficits that keep piling on to it. But it will serve as the Democrats' party-defining template on this year's election stakes.

The president's plan is laden with stimulus-style initiatives: sharp increases for highway construction and school modernization, and a new tax credit for businesses that add jobs. But it avoids sacrifice with only minimal curbs on the unsustainable growth of Medicare even as it proposes a 10-year, \$61 billion "financial crisis responsibility fee" on big banks to recoup the 2008 Wall Street bailout.

This budget plan, administration officials say, borrows heavily from Obama's recommendations in September to a congressional deficit "supercommittee" that was assigned to come up with at least \$1.2 trillion in deficit savings as part of last summer's default-avoiding budget and debt pact. The panel deadlocked and left Washington to

struggle with bruising across-the-board spending cuts that kick in next January.

Even before the budget comes out, House-Senate negotiators were working over the weekend on proposals to pay for renewing jobless benefits and Obama's 2 percentage point cut in the Social Security payroll tax due to expire Feb. 29.

Proposals such as requiring a \$100 per-takeoff fee on airlines and private jet owners, auctioning broadcast spectrum, and raising pension guarantee insurance premiums are in the mix as negotiators seek \$160 billion or more in deficit savings to pay for a 10-month extension of the payroll tax cut and federal jobless benefits.

The president's budget plan predicts a deficit of \$1.3 trillion for 2012 and a \$901 billion deficit in the 2013 budget year, which starts Oct. 1. It claims deficit savings of more than \$4 trillion over a decade, mixing \$1 trillion already banked through last summer's clampdown on agency operating budgets with \$1.5 trillion in higher tax revenues reaped from an overhaul of the tax code.

An additional \$1 trillion, more or less, would come from war savings, a move that budget watchdogs call an accounting gimmick, especially because the administration also wants to devote some of those savings to pay for \$476 billion in road and bridge projects over the coming six years.

The budget also futilely asks Congress to adopt a "Buffett Rule" guaranteeing that households with a yearly income of more \$1 million pay federal taxes equal to at

least 30 percent of it. Billionaire financier Warren Buffett has made headlines proposing the idea, saying that it's unfair for him to pay a lower tax rate than his secretary.

Republicans say the new tax would push investors into sending money overseas where it would be taxed less.

Recycled proposals to curb tax breaks for oil and gas producers are also a dead letter on Capitol Hill.

The administration plan is sure to get a chilly reception from Republicans dead set against tax increases but more than willing to tackle rapidly spiraling Medicare spending.



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Robert 'Bob' Ward McCoy

Feb. 1, 1923-Jan. 28, 2012

TWIN FALLS • Robert "Bob" Ward McCoy, 88, of Twin Falls, passed away Saturday, Jan. 28, 2012, at his home in Twin Falls with family by his side.

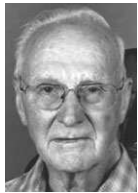
Bob was born on Feb. 1, 1923, in Silver City, Iowa, the son of George and Ella Mae (Merk) McCoy. He came to Idaho with his family at a very young age and lost his mother in 1929 at age 6. Bob lived all across the Magic Valley. He served his country proudly in the U.S. Marines from 1942, where he served in the Russell Islands, and was honorably discharged in 1945.

Bob married Rose Marie Wilson on Dec. 16, 1945, in Twin Falls, where they lived most of their lives. Four children were born to this union, Karen Nan, Steven, Randy and Linda.

Bob worked for Veltex Oil Company and Gem State Oil Company for many years. He also did custom combining for 18 years. Bob later bought and farmed 160 acres at the Valley Interchange area for several years. After selling the farm, they moved to Twin Falls where he built three homes. He then worked at Amalgamated Sugar Company for several years before full retirement. He was also a member of the Masons.

Bob never went anywhere without a good joke to tell. His love was his family and spending time with them. He thoroughly enjoyed his grandchildren and great-grandchildren. He enjoyed farming, being in the outdoors, and taking care of his yard and flower garden in his later years. He was a true handyman — able to fix most anything with the greatest of care.

Bob is survived by his wife of 66 years, Rose Marie McCoy of Twin Falls; two sons,



Steven (Jo) McCoy of Boise, Idaho, and Randy (Leigh) McCoy of Birch Bay, Wash.; his daughter, Linda Mae (Robert) Hampton of Twin Falls, Idaho; his three brothers, Roland (Veronica) McCoy of Puyallup, Wash., Sharron (Liz) McCoy of Bellevue, Wash., and Jerry McCoy of Salt Lake

City, Utah. He is also survived by his grandchildren, Shane Birrell, Kevan Birrell, Brandy Couch and Kyle McCoy, as well as several great-grandchildren. Also surviving him are cousins, June Hall, Harold (Bettie) McCoy and Bill (Nadine) McCoy. Bob is survived by his beloved cat, Tootsie, age 19. He was preceded in death by his parents; a stillborn daughter, Karen Nan McCoy; one brother, Lee McCoy; and his stepmother, Matilda McCoy.

A celebration of Bob's life will be held at 11 a.m. Friday, Feb. 17, at White Mortuary, 136 Fourth Ave. E. in Twin Falls, with Pastor Dale Metzger officiating. Military honors by the Magic Valley Honor Guard and Idaho National Guard. Entombment will follow at the Swan Lake Mausoleum at Sunset Memorial Park. A viewing for family and friends will take place from 5 until 7 p.m. Thursday at White Mortuary, Chapel by the Park, in Twin Falls. Services are under the direction of Trent Stimpson and the staff at White Mortuary, Chapel by the Park, in Twin Falls.

Hospice Visions took excellent care of Bob and provided compassionate care for Bob and his family in his final hours. Donations may be sent in Bob's name to Hospice Visions, 1770 Park View Drive, Twin Falls, ID 83301. Condolences may be left for the family online at www.whitemortuary.com.

Juanita Esther Louder

March 20, 1929-Feb. 10, 2012

HAZELTON • Juanita Esther Louder, 82, of Hazelton, passed away peacefully at her home on Friday, Feb. 10, 2012.

She was born March 20, 1929, to John and Pauline Hissung in Eden, Idaho, and spent her life in the Eden and Hazelton area. She was the oldest of five children.

She married David (D.L.) Louder on Aug. 25, 1948. Together they had six children.

Juanita spent a lot of time on the tractors and driving truck. She owned Juanita's Draperies in Hazelton until her retirement. She spent her spare retirement years selling Avon and working in the potato harvest weighing trucks.

She is survived by her husband, D.L.; her children, Jean Stewart of Meridian, Idaho, Mary (Bruce) Kroll of Nampa, Jim (Sandy) Louder of Hazelton, Susan (Calvin) Crumrine of Emmett and Laurie (Mike) Ruiz of Twin Falls; 13



grandchildren; 12 great-grandchildren; brothers, Bob (Sharon) Hissung of Burley and George Hissung of Poulsville, Wash.; sisters, Shirley (Chuck) Solace of Eden and Dorothy Butler of Jerome; and numerous nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents; one son, Steve Louder; and one grandson, Michael Louder.

A visitation will be held from 5 until 7 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 14, at Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Road in Twin Falls. The funeral service will be held at 1 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 15, at Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home. Interment will follow at the Hazelton Cemetery in Hazelton, Idaho.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Silver and Gold Senior Center of Eden.

Those wishing to share condolences or memories may do so at www.magicvalleyfuneralhome.com.



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Jill Kinmont Boothe is shown in May 2011 at her home in Bishop, Calif.

Disabled Skiing Champ Jill Kinmont Boothe Dies at 75

LOS ANGELES (AP) • Jill Kinmont Boothe, the skiing champion who became a painter and a teacher after she was paralyzed during a race and was the subject of a book and two Hollywood films, has died. She was 75.

Kinmont Boothe died Thursday at a hospital in Carson City, Nev., Ruth Rhines of the local coroner's office told the Los Angeles Times.

At age 18, the L.A. native was the national women's slalom champion and on the cover of Sports Illustrated. She was trying to make the U.S. Olympic team in 1955 when she crashed and broke her neck. She was paralyzed below her shoulders and would spend the rest of her life in a wheelchair.

"At the time that she had her accident, she was probably the premier up-and-comer women's U.S. skier," Alan Engen, a former U.S. ski competitor and ski historian, told the Times.

The crash before several thousand spectators was reported around the nation. When she returned to Southern California on a stretcher after two months in a Salt Lake City hospital, crowds of reporters and cameramen greeted her at the train station.

Her skiing career over, she learned to write, type and paint using her neck and shoulder muscles with the aid of a hand brace.

After graduating from UCLA with a degree in German and English, she applied to the university's school of education and was rejected because of her disability, she later said. Determined to further her education, she moved north with her parents, earned a teaching certificate at the University of Washington and taught remedial reading off and on for the rest of her life.

"To get mad, to scream and holler, to tell the world — that doesn't get you anywhere," she told the Times in 1968, when the newspaper named her a Woman of the Year. "You sort of look for what's good that's left, I guess."

In the 1970s, Kinmont Boothe and her mother moved to Bishop, the California mountain town where she spent her early years and learned to love skiing. It's where she met her future husband, John Boothe.

"I think the thing that impressed me most the first time I met her was that after a few minutes you forgot all about her being in a wheelchair," Boothe told the Times last year.

SERVICES

Carl William Trail, formerly of Jerome, memorial service at 10 a.m. Monday at the Rost Funeral Home, McMurtrey Chapel in Mountain home; reception follows at noon at the Carmela Winery in Glens Ferry.

Kathleen M. Phillips Black-Woolley of Jerome, funeral at 11 a.m. Monday at Farnsworth Mortuary, 1343 S. Lincoln in Jerome.

Margaret Adelia Haycock Koyle of Gooding and formerly of Burley, funeral at 11 a.m. Monday at the Gooding LDS Church, 1228 Main St.; visitation from 6

to 8 p.m. today at the Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St. in Burley, and 9:30 to 10:45 a.m. Monday at the church.

Lynn Wells Drake of Wendell, funeral at 2 p.m. Wednesday at the Wendell LDS Church; visitation from 1 to 2 p.m. Wednesday at the church (Demaray Funeral Service, Wendell Chapel).

'Big Valley' Star Peter Breck Dead at Age 82

NEW YORK (AP) • The actor who played a son of ranch owner Barbara Stanwyck on the 1960s Western "The Big Valley," has died. Peter Breck was 82.

Breck died Monday in Vancouver, British Columbia, after a long illness, his wife, Diane, announced on the website The Big Valley Writing Desk.

A native of Haverhill, Mass., Breck was also a regular on the TV Westerns "Maverick" and "Black Sad-

dle." He had guest roles on series from the 1950s through the early 2000s including "Perry Mason," "The Virginian" and "Fantasy Island."

His film appearances include "Thunder Road," "I Want to Live!" and "Benji."


Breck was best known for his role as hot-tempered rancher Nick Barkley on "The Big Valley," which aired from 1965 to 1969.

He and his wife were longtime Vancouver residents.



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Peter Breck, right, is shown with Barbara Stanwyck in 1965 in a scene from the TV series 'Big Valley.' Breck died Monday in Vancouver, British Columbia. He was 82.



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Ivadeen Watson

Aug. 12, 1922-Feb. 9, 2012

JEROME • Ivadeen Watson, 89, passed away Thursday, Feb. 9, 2012, in Seattle, Wash.

Ivy graduated from Wendell High School and moved to Jerome, where her family ran the Smoke Shop Cafe for several years. She married Arvil James (Dick) Watson in 1942 and raised her family in Jerome. She was a past president of the American Legion Auxiliary, a multi-gallon blood donor and a volunteer for many years as a classroom aide at Washington, Jefferson and Horizon Elementary schools.

She is survived by her daughters, Sue (Jim) Sanborn, Peggy (Steve) Burnett, of Seattle, Wash.; son, David (Sun) Watson of

Tacoma, Wash.; seven grandchildren; and 16 great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her son, Rich Watson.

The family wishes to express their gratitude to her nephews, Vince (Fay) Williams and Randy (Kathy) Williams of Twin Falls, for their dedicated care of Ivy during her life in Jerome.

At Ivy's request, there will be no memorial service.

Contributions in memory of Ivy Watson are requested to be sent to (her son's) Richard N. Watson Memorial Scholarship Fund, College of Technology, Idaho State University, Attention: Melisa Moon, 921 S. Eighth Ave, Stop 8380, Pocatello, ID 83209-8380.

Lorna Heath

Nov. 25, 1930-Feb. 8, 2012

BUHL • Lorna Louise Heath, 81, returned home to the arms of a loving Father in Heaven on Wednesday, Feb. 8, 2012, at her home in Buhl, Idaho.



Lorna was born Nov. 25, 1930, in Bellevue, Blaine County, Idaho, to George Alphas Heath and Martha Ann Ivie Heath. She was raised in Bellevue, Idaho, surrounded by extended family. She attended school in Hailey.

Lorna lived her early adult years in Las Vegas, Nev. She was employed by the Sahara Hotel and Casino as the pool and food service manager. She associated with Elvis Presley, Frank Sinatra and many other famous celebrities. She cherished her personal autographed photos taken with many of the celebrities. She returned to Twin Falls in 1988 and managed the food and catering services for the Western Inn (formerly the Holiday Inn) for several years. She worked at Ridley's as a cashier and retired in 2001.

Lorna loved her children, Sandra and Marty, and always wanted them to be

happy and feel loved. Lorna was a member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints and had a passion for her calling as a visiting

teacher. She was a very loving and compassionate lady who cared for her mother who passed away in 2005. She always had treats for the children who lived in the trailer park in which she resided and was always surrounded by friends. Lorna loved cats, especially her "baby," Rag Doll. Lorna's warm and radiating kindness will be missed by all who knew and loved her.

Lorna is survived by a son, Martin "Marty" Ouellette of Buhl; stepsons, Chic Gennarelli of California and Tony Gennarelli of Las Vegas, Nev. She is preceded in death by her parents, George and Martha Heath; a daughter, Sandra Monk Hemingway; a grandson, Anthony Krenz; and a brother, Alphas Heath.

At Lorna's request, there will not be a funeral service. Cremation arrangements were entrusted to White Mortuary. Inurnment will be at the Bellevue Cemetery.

James H. 'Jim' Dean

Dec. 6, 1945-Feb. 8, 2012

JEROME • James H. "Jim" Dean, 66, of Jerome, passed away Wednesday, Feb. 8, 2012, at his home.



He was born Dec. 6, 1945, in Osceola, Ark., the son of John Gathard Dean and Willie Aline Turner. Before Jim was born, his parents divorced and Willie married William VanMeter, who raised him and who Jim considered his Dad. Jim was raised in Mt. View, Calif., and joined the U.S. Army at age 18. Following an honorable discharge, he returned to the Bay area, where he worked construction for 20 years. In 1986, he moved to Jerome and worked at Northwest Specialty Siding for many years, was later self-employed and then worked in siding sales at Franklin Building Supply until retiring. When he came to Idaho in 1986, he met Diana Howard and she has been his best friend and the love of his life ever since. They have been inseparable for over 25 years. He was a great father to Diana's children and a huge part of their lives.

Jim is survived by his sweetheart, Diana Howard of Jerome; children, Marciella Reyes of Tennessee, Tammy Cahala of Jerome, Vance (Irene) Cahala of Jerome and A.J. (Lela) Lopez of Boise; 16 grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren; one sister, Mary Correia of Jerome; and nephew, Tony (Rita) VanMeter of Jerome.

He is preceded in death by his parents; one brother, Bill VanMeter; stepson, Robert "Pat" Cahala; and his mother-in-law, Rosemary Schwenson.

In accordance with Jim's wishes, there will be no formal services. The family suggests that in lieu of flowers, memorials be made in his name to Farnsworth Mortuary, 1343 S. Lincoln, Jerome, ID 83338.

To Grandpa Jim, here are a few things we'll always remember and cherish:

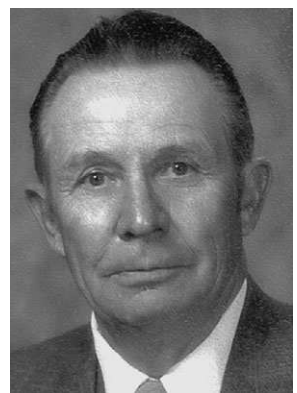
"Grandpa taught me how to drink creamer at restaurants while holding my pinkie up and shared the turkey wishbone with me" - Brianna. "Grandpa making me stay at his house till I stopped throwing my fit" - Shanda. "Grandpa joking about jackalopes." - Talea. "Grandpa, why you so sick? Me am too." - Atticus. "Grandpa always telling me to take off my stocking cap" - Cody. "Riding in Grandpa's truck going camping and going to grandpa's house every morning for coffee." - Shawn. "Grandpa always telling me to pull up my pants on the job sites." - Sabastian. "Drawing pictures for Grandpa at Thanksgiving and Christmas." - Koen. "I will always remember and cherish our time spent together. Your conversations on life, camping, traveling and the best one, food, will be missed. I love you Jim." - Meggan. "The things I remember about Grandpa: One of my most memorable memories with Grandpa Jim would be our times jet-skiing this summer. It was a wonderful experience. He really seemed to be all smiles. My other memorable memory of Grandpa occurred due to his ability to create great culinary dishes. When camping this summer, he made these amazing hot-wings. I think I ate at least 1/4 of them. I remember him saying, "This beats Idaho Pizza, Huh?"; my favorite place - and all I could do was nod and try to smile (through hot-wing filled cheeks, of course). Though they were few and fleeting, my times with Grandpa Jim will always be cherished." - Tyler.

Until we meet again, it's not goodbye - It's see you later! Jim's favorite quote was ... "FOCUS!"

Samuel 'Dennis' Burks Jr.

Feb. 16, 1918-Feb. 8, 2012

RUPERT • Samuel "Dennis" Burks Jr., 93, a long-time Rupert resident, passed away Wednesday, Feb. 8, 2012, in Meridian, Idaho.



Dennis was born Feb. 16, 1918, in Jerome, Idaho, the oldest child of Samuel Dennis and Laura Elizabeth Burks. Dennis grew up in Jerome graduating from Jerome High School in 1936. He also attended the University of Idaho in Pocatello for two years. Dennis was married to Helen Mae King on May 26, 1940. They lived in Jerome until they moved to Rupert, Idaho, in 1947 where they made their permanent home. Dennis and Helen had three children, Samuel Dennis "Denny" Burks III, Karie Lee Strosnider and Barbara Jean Fobian. The family followed the sheep, spending winters in Rupert and summers in the mountains of the Little Wood River Valley. Dennis worked hard but also found time to travel with family and friends visiting the Oregon Coast, Australia, England, Spain and Alaska, as well as other destinations. After retirement, Dennis and Helen enjoyed spending 25 winters in Yuma, Ariz., where Dennis continued his interest in the sheep industry.

Following in the footsteps of his father, Dennis worked for Flat Top Sheep Company from his early teens until his full retirement in 1985. Dennis was the manger and a share holder from 1947 to 1980. Dennis was the recipient of many honors and awards during his career; including his induction into the Livestock Hall of Fame in 1965, being awarded Grassman of the Year for Blaine County twice and being honored by the Idaho Wool Growers Association in 1999. His dedication to the sheep and ranch industries were evidenced by his active participation as director of the Idaho Wool Growers, a member of the annual Idaho State Ram Sale Committee, chairman of the Sawtooth Advisory Board, president of Blaine County Eastside Grazing Association, serving on the BLM Advisory Board and being a director of the Western Range Association. Dennis was also a member the Rupert United Methodist Church, the Rupert Masonic Order, the Burley-Rupert Shrine Club, and a charter member, trustee and Hall of

Fame member of the Rupert Elks.

Dennis was preceded in death by his wife, Helen; his parents; his brother, Douglas Burks; two sisters and brothers-in-law, Pat-sy and Matt Smith, and Evelyn and Lon Renfrow; and son-in-law Joe Strosnider. He is survived by three children, Samuel Dennis "Denny" Burks III and his wife, Carole of Meridian, Karie Lee Strosnider of Phoenix, Ariz., and Barbara Jean Fobian of Hemet, Calif.; nine grandchildren; 15 great-grandchildren; a sister-in-law, Margaret Burks of Twin Falls; and a close extended family.

A funeral service will be held at 11 a.m. Wednesday, Feb. 15, at the Rupert United Methodist Church, 605 H St., with Pastor Pamela Meese officiating. Burial will follow at the Rupert Cemetery. Arrangements are under the direction of Hansen Mortuary.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests memorial donations be made to the Rupert United Methodist Church or the Elks Rehabilitation Center. Both organizations were of special interest to Dennis.

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DEATH NOTICES

Harold Britt

TWIN FALLS • Harold "Dean" Britt, 87, of Twin Falls, died Friday, Feb. 10, 2012, at his home.

Arrangements will be announced by White Mortuary in Twin Falls.

Walter Baucum

GOODING • Walter W. Baucum, 73, of Gooding, died Saturday, Feb. 11, 2012, at Bennett Hills Care Center in Gooding.

Arrangements will be announced by Demaray Funeral Service.

Carol Motzner

TWIN FALLS • Carol Motzner, 75, of Twin Falls, died Saturday, Feb. 11, 2012, at River Ridge Care Center.

Arrangements will be announced by White Mortuary in Twin Falls.

Jenive Dougherty

TWIN FALLS • Jenive Dougherty, 85, of Twin Falls, died Saturday, Feb. 11, 2012, at her home.

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

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OPINION

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Idaho's '8 in 6' Proposal: More 'Innovation' Without Proof?

The latest effort to expand online learning in the state — House Bill 426 — unanimously cleared the House Education Committee last week with the promise that qualified students would be able to complete the eight years from seventh grade through their sophomore year of college in only six. It's certainly an interesting proposition, and one that bill author Steve Thayne, R-Emmett, says could save both the state and parents money.

To summarize, the bill would have the state pay for a portion of up to eight additional classes — mostly online — so that students could leave high school with up to two years of college credits. That's right: the state would pay up to \$225 per overload class per student per semester. If this seems inconsistent with Thayne's argument that the program would save the state money, you're not alone in seeing the disconnect.

In reality, Thayne's estimate of the annual cost to state taxpayers is between \$2.25 and \$2.9 million in 2013 with the possibility that the number could grow by nearly 70 percent in future years. Rep. Donna Pence, D-Gooding, asked — we hope rhetorically — if the 8 in 6 program would stretch the public education budget even further.

Well, of course it would, but that's not the primary reason we should view the program skeptically. The larger question — indeed the sole important question — is whether there is any evidence that it will work.

Will "8 in 6" increase the percentage of Idaho high school graduates who attend college? That number, currently 34.4 percent, is fifth-lowest in the country.

Will "8 in 6" increase the percentage of Idaho college freshmen who return to college for their sophomore year? That number, 63.5 percent, is lowest of all 50 states.

Will "8 in 6" increase the percentage of Idaho students entering college who graduate within eight years? That number, 43.1 percent, is second-lowest in the nation.

And finally, will the authors of "8 in 6" finally provide the evidence lacking throughout the Students Come First debate that mandating online classes actually improves educational outcomes?

Armed with evidence that similar programs in other states have increased college attendance and graduation, the program is worth a second look. Armed with evidence that students taking online classes in high school perform better in college, the program is worth a second look.

However, if it's just another attempt to trumpet "innovation" while stirring up discord between teachers and the use of technology, we should be extremely wary.

John Wilson, former executive director of the National Education Association and an advocate of online learning, had this to say last week on his *Education Week* blog: "We are at a critical point in moving to digital learning and teaching in the 21st century. It requires conversation with teachers and their unions. It must be accompanied by high quality professional development. Politicians cannot pit teachers against technology, especially in funding priorities. Yes, I am talking about Idaho."

In debating the "8 in 6" Program, let's get teachers — both high school and college — involved from the start. And in debating "8 in 6," let's not fixate on its costs but rather the proven results that other states have experienced by implementing similar programs. Absent that evidence, "8 in 6" should be deep-sixed.

Percentages cited in this editorial are taken from the *College Completion Agenda 2011 Progress Report* compiled annually by the College Board's Advocacy and Policy Center.



Should the U.S. Cancel Its \$500 Billion in Military Cuts?

Rapidly Aging Weapons Jeopardize National Security

None of America's armed forces can meet all of the demands placed on them by commanders today.

Mackenzie Eaglen
American Enterprise Institute

Just last week, the U.S. Navy said that for the second time in seven months, equipment failure prevented an amphibious assault ship — the USS Essex — from meeting a commitment at sea.

Unfortunately, this is not surprising. The U.S. military faces a readiness crisis — one confronting not just its people and end-strength cuts — but pushing equipment to the breaking point. Across all services, long-standing readiness problems are worsening and breakdowns are happening more frequently.

Adm. Jonathan W. Greenert testifying to Congress last July shortly before his promotion to Chief of Naval Operations, said: "The stress on the force is real. And it has been relentless."

The overall picture is dismal: While the Navy's fleet has shrunk by about 15 percent since 1998, the number of ships deployed overseas has remained constant. Each ship goes to sea longer and more often, resulting in debilitating maintenance problems.

Simple wear and tear is weakening defense capabilities across the board as the military's major platforms age after high wartime usage rates and a lack of major recapitalization since the Reagan buildup.

An Air Force F-15C literally broke in half during flight some years ago. Today, every single Navy cruiser hull has cracks; A-10C Warthogs have fuselage fractures, and the UH-1N Twin Huey helicopter fleet is regularly grounded. Over half the Navy's deployed aircraft are not ready for combat.

Last April, the engine of a F/A-18C Hornet caught fire aboard the USS Carl Vinson. Last March, the engine of a Marine Hornet about to take off from the USS John C. Stennis exploded as it was about to take off.

As these aging aircraft were bursting into flames, senior officials were warning Washington politicians that keeping the older fighter planes in safe flying condition was "one of their most serious challenges."

Please see **EAGLEN, O2**

Restoring Defense Cuts Will Only Encourage Our War Hawks

President Barack Obama should stay on track with his plan for a 10-year reduction in military spending of about \$500 billion. We are winding down two wars, so troop cutbacks are normal. We recently ended a combat role in Iraq, and Defense Secretary Leon Panetta now says we will do the same in Afghanistan by late 2013.

John B. Quigley
Ohio State University

Plowing the money savings back into equipment renovation, as some are suggesting, is wrong-headed. The federal government is struggling to reduce the federal deficit, and the military is an obvious area for savings, as was understood by the legislators who worked out last year's spending reduction package.

The real problem is that President Obama is treading too lightly with troop reduction. He would be well advised to take a page from the playbook of Republican presidential contender Ron Paul, who says we do not need to station troops around the world.

But President Obama is increasing our overseas deployments. In January, he announced the results of a Defense Strategic Review, calling for more troops in the Far East. "We will be strengthening our presence in the Asia Pacific," he said, "and budget reductions will not come at the expense of that critical region."

Why the Far East? Why is it "critical"? Secretary of State Hillary Clinton has said for several years that the United States has a strategic interest in the South China Sea, where China is contending with Vietnam, the Philippines, Singapore, Malaysia, Indonesia, and others over rights to waters that may hide important oil deposits. Why we should have a horse in that race is not entirely clear. Involving ourselves in the South China Sea disputes may put us in the middle of sticky situations.

But President Obama is inserting troops in new places. He is negotiating with Singapore to station U.S. Navy warships at the Changi naval base there. He is putting troops — actual ground troops — as many as 2,500, into northern Australia.

Explaining the planned Australia deployment, Obama
Please see **QUIGLEY, O2**

READER COMMENT

Idahoans Deserve Clean Energy at a Fair Price

Something needs to change about the way alternative energy is priced in Idaho.

Lisa Grow
Idaho Power

If it doesn't, Idahoans could end up paying hundreds of millions of dollars in excess costs for electricity they may not even need. That's why Idaho Power has asked the Idaho Public Utilities Commission to update the way prices are calculated for the energy Idahoans are required to buy from wind, solar and other alternative energy projects.

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But the landscape has changed dramatically, both literally as evidenced by row upon row of wind turbines visible across southern Ida-

ho, and figuratively in terms of the way electricity is generated, priced and delivered. Those changes threaten to hike electric rates unnecessarily and hamstring Idahoans' ability to take advantage of low-priced energy options now and in the future.

Federal law dating back to the 1970s, as well as other federal and state policies have combined to create a perfect storm in Idaho requiring electric utilities to purchase energy from renewable generation projects, whether it is needed or not, and often at highly inflated prices. As an example, in 2012 Ida-

hoans will pay approximately \$65 per megawatt-hour (MWh) for power that qualifies for these inflated, non-negotiated rates, compared to about \$24 for electricity currently available on the open market, and even less for electricity generated by many of our own facilities.

In some instances, Idahoans have to buy overpriced alternative energy instead of using readily available and more reliable energy from hydroelectric facilities which, in 2010, cost only \$5 per MWh to produce. Given the choice between paying \$5 and \$65, which would you choose? Under the current system for pricing alternative energy, Idahoans could pay up to \$850 million in additional energy costs over the next 10 years. We want to minimize the impact of future
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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Eaglen

Continued from *Opinion 1*

Built in the 1980s and 1990s, the jets were designed to fly for 6,000 hours. Delayed delivery of the replacement F-35, however, has forced the services to squeeze an additional 4,000 flight hours out of the Hornets.

This is just a sample of the readiness problems plaguing those who serve in uniform. Yet, the almost-\$1 trillion "stimulus" bill didn't contain a nickel for military modernization. Instead, the president and Congress have been cutting defense dollars and capabilities for the past three years.

Today, Washington wants to divert even more defense dollars to debt reduction — even in the face of the rapidly declining readiness of the U.S. military. This will only exacerbate the problem of how to meet the urgent need to conduct overdue maintenance on older ships, planes and vehicles.

The latest defense budget takes a half trillion dollars out of military spending over the next decade even though Pentagon leaders expect no let up in demand for U.S. forces worldwide.

Should an unforeseen crisis arise, the consequences could be deadly.

While there is no quick or easy fix, admitting there is a problem and doing something about it should be everyone's priority.

In 2010, a bipartisan blue-ribbon panel set up by Congress and led by Bill Clinton's Secretary of Defense and George W. Bush's National Security Adviser issued a stark warning about the worrisome state of America's military and advised Congress to act quickly to rebuild and modernize the U.S. military:

"The aging of the inventories and equipment used by the services, the decline in the size of the Navy, escalating personnel entitlements, overhead and procurement costs, and the growing stress on the force means that a train wreck is coming in the areas of personnel, acquisition, and force structure."

Meeting the military's full modernization requirements will "require a substantial and immediate additional investment that is sustained through the long term." However, the price of U.S. weakness will be greater in the long run.

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An Expensive Proposal

Unquestionably, tourism is the most important driving force for Blaine County's economy. An airport, whether it is in Hailey city limits or a few minutes south of Bellevue, plays an undeniable supporting role, along with professional well planned local public relations endeavors.

Friedman Memorial Airport is bursting at the seams. It is in violation of several Federal Aviation Administration requirements and has been operating with waivers for decades now. Recently, Congress mandated Runway Safety Areas be brought into compliance by 2015 (to retain FAA funding and support). The FAA has identified yet more areas of non-compliance.

Shifting the runway 1,500 to 1,800 feet (equivalent to five to six football fields) south, purchasing land, condemning buildings is not a minor undertaking. Moving the tower would also be required. Demolition expenses incurred, added to new construction costs, make this expansion a major and costly project. This would be a temporary fix for something that begs for a long-term solution.

"Keeping it here" isn't the answer. Without impacting the well-being, the lives and health of families of entire communities, without destroying property values of hundreds and hundreds of households, a relocated airport would guarantee reliability to levels never attainable at Friedman Memorial Airport, provide endless expansion opportunities

(something Friedman Memorial Airport can never do) provide safe landings/take-offs for aircraft of any size, provide increased airport revenues as several studies have already concluded.

With a relocated airport, the quality of life would be placed ahead of the inconvenience of a totally acceptable 25 to 30 minute shuttle ride, as it should. Other travelers in areas similar to the Wood River Valley have no problem with shuttle rides much longer than 30 minutes. Are we really that short-sighted that we can't make our own people the No. 1 priority? It is time to re-activate an environmental impact statement and identify a new site and work seriously toward relocation.

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A Rise in Taxes

Lately there has been talk about raising tax on tobacco. They think it will make smokers quit. It won't make them stop smoking if they are not ready. They will just cut back somewhere else. Instead of their kids having Top Ramen and hot dogs, they will just have the Top Ramen. Instead of new shoes, they will get used shoes.

Why don't you just pass a law for obesity? Obesity kills just as many people as smoking. We could have monthly weigh-ins and tax for every 10 pounds overweight. That way, people wouldn't have as much money to buy food and would lose weight. This makes as much sense as higher tax on tobacco would.

Think about that! The

higher tobacco tax is just a way for the government to try to control our lives.

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Spending the Tax Payer's Money

All I see is this spend-all president and his Congress. They, or this so-called president, goes and spends \$2 million on a couple of buses; still no word on our VA hospital for the Twin Falls veterans or those in the area around Twin Falls. But he sends his wife and kids and friends to Mexico, Spain and Oregon on the taxpayers' dime. Still no money for our VA hospital, but they had enough fun at Martha's Vineyard and going to the islands, and this person wants to be our next (4) years of what; no thank you.

Oh, thanks for the \$39 raise on my Social Security and taking half for Medicare. I almost forgot that part.

I would really like to know if he is supposed to use our jet for his travels while he's looking to get hired again as the president.

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Quigley

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said, "It is appropriate for us to make sure ... that the security architecture for the region is updated for the 21st century and this initiative is going to allow us to do that."

Why we need a "security architecture" in Australia is anyone's guess. But within months U.S. troops and aircraft will operate out of the port of Darwin on Australia's northern coast. Ominously, China sees the move as a hostile act directed against it.

All this is on top of a current huge military presence in Asia. We have thousands of troops in Japan, South Korea and Guam.

Vietnam and Thailand are reportedly on President Obama's radar screen for future deployments. But his latest destination is the Philippines. The Philippines apparently is seeking protection from China, though it is unclear how U.S. deployment will protect them, or exactly from what.

"We're not the only one doing this," said a senior Philippines official involved in the negotiations who did

not want to be named, referring to the other countries in the region. "We all want to see a peaceful and stable region. Nobody wants to have to face China or confront China." The Philippines wants the U.S. Navy to station vessels near the South China Sea.

In the Philippines, beyond stationing naval vessels, we may wind up deploying troop forces and staging troop exercises.

What we are getting ourselves into, no one can predict. Two decades ago we had to dismantle huge bases we had in the Philippines because of local protest. A long-standing insurgency in the Philippines would not welcome Uncle Sam. As GOP presidential candidate Ron Paul points out, bases provide anti-U.S. elements with easy targets close to home.

President Obama has the right idea with military cutbacks. He just doesn't take the idea seriously enough.

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When utility regulators took that first step, it was not (as some in the industry had predicted) the end of Idaho's renewable energy development. Far from it, in fact. Idaho Power has recently signed contracts to purchase energy from several different alternative energy projects including a 40 megawatt (MW) wind farm by a local developer, a 20 MW waste-to-energy plant at the Ada County Landfill, and a 1.27 MW small hydro project near Homedale. Whether Idahoans need the energy or not, the law still requires utilities to buy the energy from

these projects, but at a price that, at least in part, considers the value to customers.

Like utilities nationwide, Idaho Power has a process for determining how to meet customers' electricity needs now and well into the future. We collaborate with community members and various interest groups to update our Integrated Resource Plan every two years, analyzing all resource options based on cost, reliability and environmental stewardship. On Tuesday, Jan. 31, we made a filing with the Idaho Public Utilities Commission, asking that regulators simply apply the same logical approach to alternative energy contracts and create a pricing method based on whether Idahoans need the energy, whether the energy is available when it's needed, and that considers the cost of integrating that energy into the grid.

We believe that's what Idahoans want, and what they deserve: clean energy at a fair price based on its value.

Lisa Grow is senior vice president of power supply for Idaho Power Co.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Don't Text and Drive

This is in regard to your comments under Cheers and Jeers on Saturday, Feb. 4, on the editorial page of the *Times-News*.

I am the one who put the message mentioned in your article on the outside reader board of Immanuel Lutheran Church. I didn't mean to be disrespectful but thought it was appropriate for this day and age. By the way, that message went up before the untimely death of the young lady in the Boise area.

I've been doing this for 15 years for my church, and this is the first negative comment I've heard. I wanted to get a point across to the many young people and other drivers who pass by our church on Filer Avenue East on a daily basis and that is, "Do not text while driving."

I have had many comments about this message and all have been complimentary until your article. I meant no harm! I just wanted to get a point across. Texting while driving seems to be an epidemic nationally and needs to be stopped. What more can I say. No punch line, as you mentioned, was intended. I just hope I got the message across.

JOHN PHILLIPS
Twin Falls

Faith and Contraceptives

People with faith, both on the left and right, are scratching their heads over President Obama's mandate that requires contraception (including the induced-abortion pill) in health insurance policies for employees of religious affiliations. And if not complying, will then incur financial penalties from the government, thus forcing them to violate the teaching of their faith. Where is our Constitution that protects the right of citizens to follow their conscience? Instead, this action looks like the dark days when communist governments suppressed religions and their citizens had no freedom to live their convictions or practice their faith.

How hypocritical it is when President Obama preaches from the bully pulpit about standing up for freedom and for human rights around the globe, yet right here at home he uses his position to suppress the right of citizens. With his charisma, charming and articulate words, he was able to fool many people, but now the truth is coming out showing what kind of person he is. President Obama seems to have no respect for religious liberty; otherwise, why would he initiate this mandate after many religious organizations supported his health care reform.

God gives humans the freewill to choose good or evil, and we have to live with the consequences of our choices. But for this administration to mandate that citizens violate their conscience and force them to commit sins against their belief blatantly violates what this country stands for.

And what is next on the president's agenda for the citizens of this great country? Renounce our faith if it is not in collaboration with his policies, or else? The president's arrogant attitude in this mandate is incomprehensible to me and reminds me of governments with dictatorships.

Are we to be silent and let President Obama force us to denounce our conscience?

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Jack Johnson for T.F. County Sheriff

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Jack is currently the Jerome chief deputy and will be an asset to the Twin Falls County sheriff's department. I encourage you to closely examine Jack Johnson's great qualities on his website and take the time to contact him personally; you will not be disappointed. For a full resume, visit www.Johnsonforsheriff.us.

Jack Johnson is the best choice for Twin Falls County Sheriff.

Please remember to register to vote in the Primary, May 15.

JOE SHAW
MARY SHAW
Twin Falls

Vote Ron Paul in March

Ron Paul earned an "A" from Gun Owners of America for consistently voting to protect Second Amendment gun rights. The other three candidates have very poor grades in this area. Dr. Paul knows that defending our nation is the federal government's most impor-

tant duty, and he voted for our military forces to target Osama Bin Laden.

Dr. Paul is opposed to all foreign aid, including Israel's enemies. It is welfare for other nations, so they are dependent on us, which only weakens nations like Israel. Dr. Paul believes in Israel's sovereignty and supports her right to defend herself against any enemies (when Israel attacked an Iraqi nuclear site in 1981).

Ron Paul follows the non-

isolationist foreign policy of George Washington, where we should be friendly and trade with all nations but have no tangling alliances with them. The United States currently has 900 military installations in more than 150 countries around the world, which costs our nation trillions of dollars along with the undeclared wars in the Middle East.

This extensive militarism is very different from our

national defense, which Dr. Paul strongly supports. He would not hesitate to go to war if there was a clear and present danger to the United States. He would get a constitutional Declaration of War from Congress, send the troops in to win the war and then bring them home. He wants the United States to follow the Christian principle of the Golden Rule — treat other nations the way we would like to be treated.

His plan to bring the military home to help protect our country would also solve two financial problems. It would dramatically cut our debt and provide funding to threatened government programs which millions depend on like Social Security and Medicare/Medicaid.

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Vatican Besieged by Leaks, Conspiracies

A flurry of recent articles and television news programs seemingly seek to reinforce the Holy See's reputation as a scandal-plagued, secrecy-obsessed tax haven.

BY NICOLE WINFIELD
Associated Press

VATICAN CITY • Money laundering at the Vatican bank. Corruption in the awarding of Vatican contracts. Even a purported plot to kill Pope Benedict XVI.

The Vatican is being besieged by near-daily leaks of confidential documents and tabloid-style reports of alleged financial mismanagement, political infighting and gossip about who might be the next pope — all coming out at an exceedingly delicate time for the Holy See and Benedict himself.

The frescoed halls of the Apostolic Palace have been buzzing about the leaks, which have emerged as the pontiff prepares for the ceremony next week to crown 22 new cardinals — the princes of the church who will elect his successor.

Such ceremonies always breed unseemly speculation about a future pontiff since they provide a rare chance for cardinals new and old to size

one another up. But the Feb. 18 consistory has taken on greater gravitas since the 84-year-old Benedict is showing signs of slowing down.

Conspiracy theorists reading the Italian media of late might also point to another looming date as reason for why the Vatican's dirty laundry is being aired now: In June, a European commission will decide whether the Holy See has abided by tough international anti-money laundering and anti-terror finance laws.

Compliance would mark a key step in the Vatican's goal of joining the so-called "white list" of countries that share financial information — a designation the Vatican hopes will forever dispense with its reputation as a scandal-plagued, secrecy-obsessed tax haven.

The flurry of articles and television news programs seemingly seeking to reinforce that reputation — regardless of whether it's deserved — certainly can't help the Holy See's bid.



Italian financial police officers talk in St. Peter's Square at the Vatican in September 2010.

ASSOCIATED PRESS FILE PHOTO

All of which explains why the Vatican has been aggressively shooting down the reports with an unprecedented array of detailed, line-by-line refutations and sarcastic jabs at the journalists reporting them in a bid to set the record straight.

Almost lost in the shuffle is that the Vatican in recent weeks has done more to come into compliance with international financial norms than perhaps at any time before in

its history. It has ratified three major U.N. conventions, rewritten its law on money laundering and, separately, scored a legal victory in the U.S. concerning its embattled bank, the Institute for Religious Works or IOR.

The most explosive story to hit newsstands came on Friday: reports that the Vatican had received a confidential letter last month from a top Vatican official describing how an Italian cardinal visit-

ing China had spoken about a presumed plot to kill Benedict this year. The document also said the pontiff was grooming Milan's archbishop as his successor.

The Vatican spokesman, the Rev. Federico Lombardi, dismissed that report as "so completely beyond reality and hardly serious that I don't even want to consider it."

But Lombardi has taken the other reports alleging financial mismanagement far more

seriously, warning of possible legal action against the media outlets responsible.

Veteran Vatican correspondent Andrea Tornielli said the reports showed a clear power struggle is under way inside the Vatican, "the outcome of which is uncertain yet devastating," concerning both the fate of the pope's deputy, Secretary of State Cardinal Tarcisio Bertone, and any future conclave to elect the next pope.

Norwegians Seek A-ha! Moment in N. Korean Music

OSLO, Norway (AP) • It's not the face of North Korea the world is used to: five young musicians adding a playful twist to one of the most popular Western pop songs of the 1980s.

On Saturday, an accordion quintet that gained unexpected YouTube fame with their cover of A-ha's megahit "Take on Me" performed the song live at an arts festival in Kirkenes, on Norway's Arctic border with Russia.

"For many it is a revelation that

North Koreans open up and play Western pop music with such great joy," said Norwegian artist Morten Traavik, who recorded the video during a visit to the Kum Song school of music in Pyongyang in December. It has since been viewed more than 1 million times on YouTube.

The ensemble accepted his invitation to come to Norway, and their chords formed the musical backdrop Saturday as 250 Norwegian border guards hold-

ing colored flipboards tried to create a small-scale version of the giant human mosaics performed at North Korean mass games.

It was choreographed by two North Korean directors, but instead of the patriotic motifs typical to those events, the display in Kirkenes featured local images, such as polar bears and reindeer herders, Traavik said.

It's part of an art project that he's labeled "The Promised Land."

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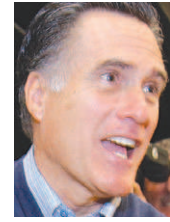


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Remains in California Identified as Serial Killers' Victim • 06

Romney Wins Maine Caucuses

BY STEVE PEOPLES AND BETH FOUHY
Associated Press



Romney

PORTLAND, Maine • Mitt Romney eked out a narrow win in Maine's Republican caucuses, state party officials announced Saturday, providing his campaign with a much-needed boost after three straight losses earlier this week. But the former Massachusetts governor's margin of victory over rival Ron Paul was so slim it all but guaranteed scrutiny of the party's decision not to count the results of caucuses scheduled later in February.

At a gathering in Portland, state Republican Chairman Charlie Webster announced Romney had won with 2,190 votes compared to 1,996 for Paul, the only other candidate to aggressively

ly compete in the state. Rick Santorum received 989 votes and Newt Gingrich won 349, but neither actively campaigned there.

Webster said any caucus results that come in after Saturday wouldn't be counted no matter how close the vote turned out to be.

"Some caucuses decided not to participate in this poll and will caucus after this announcement," Webster said. "Their results will not be factored in. The absent votes will not be factored into this announcement after the fact."

Maine's caucuses began Feb. 4 and continued throughout the week. But the results announced Saturday accounted for just 83 percent of the state's precincts. Several communities elected to hold their caucuses at a later date.

Mitt Edges Santorum in Conservative Straw Poll

WASHINGTON • Mitt Romney has won The Washington Times/CPAC Presidential Straw Poll of conservative activists. The former Massachusetts governor is favored as the Republican presidential nominee by 38 percent of the 3,408 respondents. Rivals Rick Santorum drew 31 percent, and Newt Gingrich was favored by 15 percent. All three candidates addressed the Conservative Political Action Conference in Washington on Friday. Romney had encouraged students to attend the convention, and 44 percent of them participated in the poll. Texas Rep. Ron Paul had 12 percent. He won the straw poll in the previous two years.

— *Associated Press*

Greek Premier Defends Bailout Deal, Painful Cuts

BY DEMETRIS NELLAS
Associated Press

ATHENS, Greece

• Warning of a "catastrophe" that would leave Greeks subsisting on food stamps and the country wallowing in bankruptcy, Greek leaders urged lawmakers Saturday to pass more painful spending cuts on the eve of a crucial vote to qualify for a massive bailout.



Papademos

In a televised address Saturday, Prime Minister Lucas Papademos defended the thousands of job cuts, drop in the minimum wage and other austerity measures that would earn the country a 130 billion euro (\$171.6 billion) bailout deal and stave off bankruptcy.

"The deal will ensure our country's future inside the euro. ... A bankruptcy would lead to uncontrollable economic chaos and social explosion," Papademos said. He added that a bankruptcy would lead to Greeks losing their savings; the state being unable to pay salaries and pensions; and shortages in import items such as medicines, fuel and machinery.

He and the leaders of parties backing Greece's coalition government — socialist George Papandreou and conservative Antonis Samaras — as well as Finance Minister Evangelos Venizelos, a socialist — used stark images of a country under bankruptcy to convince the public and, more importantly, persuade Parliament members debating the measures to vote for the deal.

"If we do not dare today, we will live a catastrophe," Papandreou said during a parliamentary debate session.

"What do you want, a country where food will be handed out with food stamps and where we will have no fuel?" Samaras angrily told a dissenting deputy.

"The battle is now. The war is now. If we falter, nothing will be left standing...The real dilemma is between painful measures and crushingly painful ones," Venizelos told socialist lawmakers.

Several dissident lawmakers were unconvicted. At least 13 conservatives and seven socialists declared they would not vote and two more socialist deputies resigned, bringing the total to three. Their replacements will be seated Sunday.

Typical of the dissidents' arguments was the one put forward by veteran socialist Vasso Papandreou (no relation to the socialist leader), a former minister and member of the European Commission. "If we say we do not pay the bond that matures on March 20, all (Europeans) will rush to find a solution," she said.

Hundreds Attend Funeral

Chuck and Judy Cox, grandparents of Charlie and Braden Powell, attend the funeral for the boys Saturday in Tacoma, Wash.



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Family, Teachers Remember Powell Boys in Tacoma

The youngsters' father, Josh Powell, was in the middle of a custody battle when he torched his rental home last Sunday, killing them and himself in a gas-fueled blaze.

BY RACHEL LA CORTE
Associated Press

TACOMA, Wash. • More than a thousand people mourned the deaths of Charlie and Braden Powell at a public funeral Saturday, nearly a week after the young boys' father killed them and himself in a gas-fueled blaze.

"We want to celebrate their innocence today," said the Rev. Dean Curry, lead pastor of Life Center Church in Tacoma. "We want to be grateful for the moments we had with these children."

The boys' grandfather Chuck

Cox thanked police, social workers, teachers and everyone who cared for Charlie, 7, and Braden, 5, as well as people who had prayed for the boys after they died.

"It helps us to know that there are good people in the world — good people who fight against evil," Cox said.

At the front of the church's sanctuary, the boys were in a single casket topped with a large flower arrangement that included daisies, roses and sunflowers.

"We know that they're with their mother," Cox said, remembering his daughter, Susan Powell, who has been missing for two

years and is presumed dead.

The boys' father, Josh Powell, was in the middle of a custody battle with Cox when he torched his rental home in Graham last Sunday.

Josh Powell was a person of interest in his wife's disappearance in Utah two years ago, and prosecutors consider the fire an admission that he killed her.

Cox gained custody of the children more than five months ago after police arrested Josh Powell's father, Steve, on voyeurism and child pornography charges.

The kids were arriving for a supervised visit when Josh Powell blocked a social worker from entering the home. He then attacked the boys with a hatchet and torched the house, authorities said.

Pierce County sheriff's spokesman Ed Troyer said Saturday that Josh Powell's body will be released to a cousin Monday.

About 1,200 people attended the boys' funeral at Life Center Church in Tacoma. Many of them wore purple and blue ribbons in memory of Susan, Charlie and Braden.

Two teachers shared their memories and read letters from other instructors who had interacted with the boys.

Charlie was remembered as a boy fascinated with science and insects, often trying to sneak worms or caterpillars into the classroom. He was about to get glasses and loved to write, dreaming up plans to market his books.

"At an early age, Charlie displayed a keen intellect and compassionate heart," said Tammy Ougheon, Charlie's kindergarten teacher in Utah. "He was an amazing young man."

His younger brother, Braden, preferred cars and trains, teachers remembered, and last Halloween got to dress up as a Transformer. Braden, teachers said, loved to be tickled.

Gunmen Assassinate Syrian Army General in Damascus

BY BASSEM MROUE
Associated Press

BEIRUT • Gunmen assassinated an army general in Damascus Saturday in the first killing of a high ranking military officer in the Syrian capital since the uprising against President Bashar As-

sad's regime began in March, the country's state-run news agency said.

The attack could be a sign that armed members of the opposition, who have carried out attacks on the military elsewhere in the country, are trying to step up action in the tightly controlled cap-

ital, which has been relatively quiet compared to other cities.

SANA news agency reported that three gunmen opened fire at Brig. Gen. Issa al-Khouli Saturday morning as he left his home in the Damascus neighborhood of Rukn-Eddine. Al-Khouli was a doctor and the chief of a military

hospital in the capital.

Capt. Ammar al-Wawi of the Free Syrian Army, a rebel group that wants to bring down the regime by force, denied involvement in the assassination, which came a day after two suicide car bombers struck security compounds in Aleppo.

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Remains ID'd as Calif. Serial Killers' Victim

BY PAUL ELIAS
Associated Press

SAN FRANCISCO • Human remains uncovered in Northern California with the help of a convicted serial killer have been preliminarily identified as one of his victims, and authorities continued to search another site for the remains of as many as 10 people.

Dental records identified the remains found Thursday in Calaveras County as those of Cyndi Vanderheiden, 25, San Joaquin sheriff's spokesman Les Garcia said Saturday.

Authorities were still awaiting the results of a DNA analysis to confirm the identification, Garcia said.

Cyndi Vanderheiden's father, John Vanderheiden, said he is waiting the DNA results but he is almost sure the remains are those of his daughter.

"There will be closure after that," he said.

Searchers following a map prepared by convicted serial killer and death row inmate Wesley Shermantine have so far uncovered two sets of remains near property once owned by Shermantine's family about 60 miles south of Sacramento.

One set is believed to belong to Vanderheiden, who disappeared in 1998, and the other is believed to be 16-year-old Chevelle "Chevy" Wheeler.

Authorities have not positively identified the remains found Friday as those of Wheeler. But Wheeler's parents said they were notified that the remains were found in a spot where Shermantine said their daughter was buried after she disappeared in 1985.

"They said they found her wrapped in a blanket," Paula Wheeler, the girl's mother, told The Associated Press by phone from the family's home in Crossville, Tenn. "This is a happy day. We can finally have some closure."

Investigators believe Vanderheiden and Wheeler were among as many as 15 victims of Shermantine and his childhood friend Loren Herzog. They were called the "Speed Freak Killers" because of their methamphetamine-fueled killing spree.

Shermantine recently agreed to disclose the locations of bodies in return for a bounty hunter's offer of



Shermantine

\$33,000. He is giving hand-drawn maps to authorities, who are now turning their attention to a third site — an abandoned well — in San Joaquin County, which authorities continued to search Saturday.

The old cattle ranch well near the town of Linden, just outside of Stockton, has layers of backfill that have slowed down its excavation.

Shermantine has indicated up to 10 additional bodies could be there, according to authorities.

"We haven't located any remains as of yet, but we remain hopeful," Garcia said.

Shermantine was convicted of four murders and sentenced to death. Herzog was convicted of three murders and sentenced to 77 years to life in prison, though that was later reduced to 14 years. An appeals court tossed his first-degree murder convictions after ruling his confession

was illegally obtained.

Herzog was paroled in 2010 to a trailer outside the High Desert State Prison in Susanville. He committed suicide outside that trailer last month after Sacramento bounty hunter Leonard Padilla told him Shermantine was disclosing the location of the well along with two other locations.

Padilla has promised to pay Shermantine as much as \$33,000 to disclose the locations of the bodies. He said he hopes to collect on rewards being offered by the state of California for information about several missing persons suspected of being victims of Herzog and Shermantine.

Shermantine has said he wants the money to pay off an \$18,000 restitution order that prevents him from buying the limited luxuries like candy bars that inmates with money in their accounts can afford. He also said he wants to buy headstones for his deceased parents.

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IF YOU WANT A VOICE IN WHO IS NOMINATED AS THE REPUBLICAN CANDIDATE IN THIS YEAR'S PRESIDENTIAL RACE, HERE'S WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW:

1. The Republican candidate for the presidency will be determined in late August at the Republican National Convention in Tampa, FL.
2. Each state sends a representative number of delegates to the Convention to vote for their candidate; Idaho will send 32 (a total of 2,422 delegates will cast their votes).
3. Idaho Republicans will determine which candidate will be their nominee in a statewide caucus held on "Super Tuesday" March 6.
4. Caucuses are held county by county and vary slightly in procedure, but all are designed to yield a single winning candidate.
5. Residents of the county are encouraged to attend the caucus location and cast their vote by secret ballot.
6. Only registered members of the Republican party may participate, but residents may register as members of the Republican party at the caucus site.
7. Unlike voting in a typical election, voting takes place in successive rounds, eliminating low-vote getters (this may take up to 2-3 hours).
8. Voting ends when either a) one candidate receives a simple majority of at least 50% of the vote, or b) only two final candidates remain on the ballot and the final vote is taken.
9. Idaho's delegates will be apportioned candidates based on the voting totals from the county caucuses.
10. In the event that one candidate receives more than 50% of the statewide county caucus total, that candidate will be awarded all 32 Idaho delegates for the Republican National Convention.



A change from previous election years.

In the past, Idaho did not follow a caucus system. Instead, candidates were selected through a primary vote held in May. The winner of that vote "won" soft-pledges from 24 of Idaho's 32 delegates. The remaining 8 delegates were allowed to determine their vote at the National Convention.

Though the caucus process may require a little more time commitment from citizens wishing to vote, it ensures Idaho's voice is more unified and makes a bigger impact on the race, much earlier in the process.

Where will your county caucus be held?

To find out exactly where the caucus in your county will be held—see the Republican Party website at idgop.org or idaho-republican-caucus.com or contact your local Republican Party office. Most will be held in centrally located schools or civic buildings.

A few more things to know about the upcoming caucuses.

- You must personally attend the caucus to vote for the Republican presidential nominee of your choice. Be sure to bring a photo ID.
- You must be registered to vote and your political party designation must be "Republican" before you can participate in the Republican caucus. Democrats hold their own election.
- You can find registration information online at www.idahovotes.gov, or at the office of any county clerk.
- You may also submit your voter registration and party affiliation at the caucus before the meeting begins, but lines could be long.
- The caucus is for the presidential election only. Nominations for all other local, state and federal positions will be conducted as usual in late May.

Caucuses only work when you do your part.

This move will, for the first time ever, give Idaho's Republicans a real voice in the presidential nominations. You should expect to see more presidential campaign activity occurring in Idaho as a result. The caucus tends to take on an old-time neighborhood-meeting atmosphere. Come prepared to cast your vote and have fun in the process.

Since Idaho is a battleground race, your vote matters more than ever! Attend your local caucus March 6. To learn where to vote, visit: idgop.org.

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Richfield Sasha-ys On to State

BY RYAN HOWE
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GLENN'S FERRY • Somehow the scouting report on Richfield didn't reach New Meadows.

The Meadows Valley Mountaineers sat back defensively and allowed Richfield point guard Sasha Kent to scorch them for 28 points as the Tigers cruised to a 56-39 victory Saturday in the Class 1A Division II state play-in game at Glens Ferry High School.

A traditional contender, Richfield (17-7) punched its state tournament ticket for the ninth straight year. The Tigers will face Mackay in the first round, 6:15 p.m. Thursday at Nampa High School.

"They're very excited (for state) because they know anything can happen once you get there," Richfield coach Buck Hendren said.

"We had a couple pretty tough games in districts; both those overtime games took a lot of energy out of us. I was just happy that we came out and played like we did tonight."

The Mountaineers played Kent straight-up, rather than the junk defenses she's used to seeing. The result was the senior scoring at will, with 17 points in the first quarter alone.

"It was freedom," Kent said. "The whole district tournament I had a box and one. I was finally able to get open and run around and do what I want to do again."

Kent's quick crossover dribble allowed her to easily get to the hoop. When another defender stepped over to help cut off the lane, Kent simply stepped back and drained 3-pointers.

Please see RICHFIELD, S2



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Richfield's Kailee Scott drives to the basket against Meadows Valley's Randi Smith during their Class 1A Division II state play-in game Saturday at Glens Ferry High School.



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CSI basketball player Pat Swilling sits for a portrait Friday, February 10, 2012 at CSI in Twin Falls, Idaho.

CSI Men Slam CNCC

BY STEPHEN MEYERS
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TWIN FALLS • Jerran Foster pushed the ball quickly up the court, crossing over defenders left and right before finding Kevin Attila just inside the 3-point line.

Attila flipped the ball up high, nearly 11 feet in the air for a soaring Greg Sequele, who corralled the ball and tried to slam the ball with two hands to complete the alley-oop. The home crowd waited to explode in applause.

He couldn't bring it down, but when you're up by 30 late in the second half, you can afford to be flashy.

The College of Southern Idaho routed Colorado Northwestern 73-51, treating the fans to slam dunks and fancy passes in the final minutes with the starters resting on the bench.

The No. 6 Golden Eagles have won seven in a row and head into their final weekend at home sitting firmly in first place in the Scenic West standings at 9-1.

CSI (22-2) buried Colorado Northwestern early (6-17, 1-9) with a barrage of 3s from Pat Swilling and Attila, en route to a 40-21 halftime lead.

The Golden Eagles started the second half on a 14-0 run, and head coach Steve Gosar emptied the bench with the game in hand.

Swilling led the Golden Eagles with 15 points in 17 minutes and Paul Egwuonwu had nine points and nine boards. Every player but Foster and Sebastien Michineau hit the scorebook, and former Twin Falls High School star Jon Pulsifer scored five points in 15 minutes.

"The guys' energy was great tonight. They created opportunities for their teammates and shared the ball," Gosar said. "I couldn't be happier. It was a good effort. ... And Pulsifer,

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Swilling Carving His Own Path

Son of ex-NFL great was prolific gridiron star in Louisiana, but basketball is CSI guard's true calling.

BY STEPHEN MEYERS
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TWIN FALLS • Patrick Swilling Jr. was just a high schooler, beaming as he walked into the locker room at the 2008 NBA All-Star Game in New Orleans.

There he saw superstars LeBron James, Amare Stoudemire and Kobe Bryant, whom he'd met numerous times before. One former player stuck out to the 17-year old, however: The Mailman, Karl Malone.

"I was like, 'Dad, dad, look it's the Mailman! I couldn't believe it was him,'" Swilling Jr. said. "My dad just walked up to him and gave him a big old hug. They were old buds. Karl Malone walked up to me and said, 'Your dad was one of the best to ever play.'"

Swilling Jr.'s dad being the All-Pro linebacker Pat Swilling, who played for the New Orleans Saints, Detroit Lions and L.A. Raiders in the 1990s.

"I was like, 'This guy? No way! I always thought of him as just my dad, you know?'" Swilling Jr. said. "And here are all these famous

Please see SWILLING, S3

Linsanity: Unheralded Knicks Benchwarmer Becomes A Star

ASSOCIATED PRESS

NEW YORK • Jeremy Lin came with an intriguing story even before he escaped the New York Knicks' bench.

First American-born NBA player of Chinese or Taiwanese descent.

Harvard graduate. Nomad who crashed on a teammate's couch when his brother's place wasn't available.

In just one week, Lin's proven he's so much more.

Turns out, he's a terrific basketball player.

"The level he is playing at right now, I have never seen it," Knicks forward Jared Jeffries said. "It is weird for a guy to come in and be a team leader who has bounced around like he has. He has inspired us to play harder because he gives it his all every day. There is nothing he doesn't do on a daily basis."

Lin scored a career-high 38 points Friday night to lead the Knicks to a 92-85 victory over

the Los Angeles Lakers. After scoring 28 and 23 in his first two NBA starts, he outplayed Kobe Bryant in front of a national TV audience, leaving delirious fans without their voices and his coach without the words to describe it.

"I don't know what to tell you," Mike D'Antoni said. "I have never seen this. It's not often that a guy is going to play four games, the best you are going to see, and nobody knows

Please see LIN, S3

WI MAINTAINS LEAD AS TIGER CHARGES

ASSOCIATED PRESS

PEBBLE BEACH, Calif. • Charlie Wi played bogey-free at Spyglass Hill for a 3-under 69 to build a three-shot lead Saturday in the Pebble Beach National Pro-Am. Now it's time for him to face his demons of self-doubt — along with a familiar force in golf.

Tiger Woods took another step toward showing his game is nearly back. He ran off five birdies in a six-hole stretch early in his round at Pebble Beach and had a 5-under 67 that put him four shots behind going into the

final round, the closest he has been to the 54-hole lead in a regular PGA Tour event since the 2010 Masters.

With a new swing, it's starting to look like the old Tiger.

"But the scenario doesn't change," Woods said. "The ultimate goal is to win a golf tournament."

That's something Wi has never done in 162 previous PGA Tour events. Wi, who was at 15-under 199, has a 54-hole lead for only the second time on tour. He had a one-shot lead at Colonial last year and was runner-up to David Toms.

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Burley Thwarted in State Play-in

BY DAVID BASHORE
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MOUNTAIN HOME • Burley gave Bishop Kelly all it wanted Saturday, and then some.

In the end, the more seasoned team still won.

Randi McReynolds scored 13 and Kindall Murie added 11 as Bishop Kelly held off the plucky Bobcats 47-40, claiming the final berth in this week's Class 4A state tournament at Timberline High School in Boise.

The Knights (20-4) led for the majority of the game, but it carried the feel of a one-possession lead rather than the consistent edge of five-to-seven.

"They're really aggressive, and that's exciting because we come out stronger against teams that are aggressive," said Murie, who scored nine of her points in the second half to help keep Burley (14-13) at bay. "We've got a lot of girls that have been to state, and we seem to play better in these close games."

The guard-oriented teams

matched each other practically blow-for-blow, save a rash of Burley turnovers in the first quarter and some missed open shots in the fourth. Burley committed 18 turnovers, to 12 from Bishop Kelly.

The real turning point came in the second quarter, after Burley ripped off a 7-0 run against the Knights' man defense. Bishop Kelly turned back to zone defense and the Bobcats didn't score again in the quarter, allowing the Knights to retake the lead, this time for good.

A regular state tournament participant, Bishop Kelly finished third in a tough District III Tournament, forcing them to play the District IV runner-up. A team with just two seniors, Burley won just three games last season and was playing its seventh game in 12 days — this one for its first trip to the state tournament since winning the title in 2007.

In the end, experience of the pressure situations won out, even if it wasn't completely on account of youth-

ful mistakes."

"We've turned the ball over all season, so experience didn't have anything to do with that," said junior guard Aubrie Vale, who had eight points, nine rebounds and five steals. "We played well, we just needed to do a little better. We didn't move the ball very well against their zone or attack the gaps in it."

In the final quarter Bishop Kelly finally stretched the lead to double figures for the first time. The Knights essentially cleared the floor after free throws with a few seconds left, allowing Burley an uncontested layup as time expired.

Stephanie McGill scored it, her final points in a Burley uniform. She had eight points, while fellow senior Hannah Stanger added seven.

BISHOP KELLY 47, BURLEY 40

Burley	6	7	9	18	-40
Bishop Kelly	11	7	11	18	-47

BURLEY (40)
Carpenter 4, Robins 2, Vale 8, Stanger 7, Baker 5, McGill 8, Bowers 6. Totals 15 8-11 40.
BISHOP KELLY (47)
Piechowski 2, Rebholtz 5, Hassell 3, Carlson 6, McReynolds 13, Talboy 7, Murie 11. Totals 14 17-26 47.
3-point goals: Burley 2 (Stanger, Baker); Bishop Kelly 2 (Hassell, Talboy). Total fouls: Burley 20, Bishop Kelly 15. Fouled out: Vale.

State Wait Ends for Glens Ferry

BY DAVID BASHORE
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MOUNTAIN HOME • It took three tries, but Glens Ferry finally put an end to 15 years of waiting.

The Pilots shot, rebounded and stole their way to the state girls basketball tournament for the first time since 1997, running past Cascade 62-49 on Saturday in a Class 1A Division I play-in game.

"Ever since we played little league I told my mom (coach Kelli McHone) that we were going to make it to state my junior year, with this group of seniors," said junior guard Karli McHone, who scored a game-high 21 and mixed in four rebounds and four assists. "We finally had enough heart, enough skill and enough work. It's been my dream since I could walk, and I'm sure it's the same for the other girls too."

An undersized team, Glens Ferry (15-10) ran into an even smaller team

in Cascade. That allowed the Pilots to accomplish a rare feat — outrebounding the opposition, as they did Saturday by a 48-28 count.

Sara Arellano was one of two Pilots with a double-double, logging 18 points and 11 rebounds. Jade Gorrell had 12 points and 11 boards.

Glens Ferry took an 18-8 lead after one quarter, but Cascade erupted for 23 points in the second to close within four at halftime. Still, the Pilots didn't panic, like they had in a one-point loss to Grace on Tuesday when they played for the district championship, and like they did two nights later in an overtime setback against Hagerman.

"Normally when things go against us, we tend to struggle, but today we kept our heads up," said Arellano. "It was a little different today, because all the teams we face in our district have two big girls. We really wanted to work hard on our rebound-

ing"

Once Glens Ferry rebounded from the second quarter and pulled away again, Cascade couldn't muster a substantive challenge. The Ramblers had three starters playing with four fouls by the time the fourth quarter rolled around, and all three ended up fouling out.

The Pilots, meanwhile, padded their advantage from the foul line and set up a first-round meeting with District II champion Prairie at Columbia High School in Nampa on Thursday.

"We just have to work on our defense and rebounding," said McHone. "If we can do that, we know our offense will come on its own."

GLENN'S FERRY 62, CASCADE 49

Glens Ferry	18	17	12	13	-62
Cascade	8	23	5	13	-49

GLENN'S FERRY (62)
McHone 21, Bryant 6, Bauman 1, Rodriguez 2, C. Garza 2, Arellano 18, Gorrell 12. Totals 17 22-40 62.
CASCADE (49)
Valencia 4, Kleint 11, Hubble 9, Gunderson 1, Walter 12, Hawkins 12. Totals 14 16-30 49.
3-point goals: Glens Ferry 6 (McHone 2, Arellano 2, Gorrell 2); Cascade 5 (Walter 2, Valencia, Kleint, Hubble). Total fouls: Glens Ferry 19, Cascade 26. Fouled out: Kleint, Ryker, Walter.



RYAN HOWE - TIMES-NEWS

Richfield's Sasha Kent slashes to the hoop between Meadows Valley defenders Rebecca Baird (3) and Randi Smith during their Class 1A Division II state play-in game Saturday at Glens Ferry High School.

Richfield

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The Tigers jumped out to a 20-4 lead in the first quarter.

"Today I was just like, 'Let's go, forget about the district tournament and just beat these guys fast,'" Kent said. "We just wanted them to not have any confidence. That's one of our biggest things, is if you let a team come in and do good the first quarter then they think they can play with you the whole game."

Once Kent got going, her teammates got into the mix as well, with eight different Tigers contributing points. Keegan Cenarrusa had

nine.

Richfield's defense frustrated Meadows Valley into 21 turnovers. The Tigers also won the rebounding margin 41-36.

"We had seen them play on tape and thought we had an advantage with our quickness on defense," said Hendren. "We wanted to get some easy opportunities early, get rid of those jitters and roll from there and that's pretty much what we did."

RICHFIELD 56,

MEADOWS VALLEY 39

Meadows Valley	7	8	9	15	-39
Richfield	20	14	12	10	-56

MEADOWS VALLEY (39)

Baird 2, Smith 10, McLeod 4, McDonald 11, Moore 4, Hill 8. Totals 16 6-9 39.

RICHFIELD (56)

Kent 28, D. Edwards 2, S. Edwards 3, Smith 2, Scott 4, M. Edwards 4, Cenarrusa 9, King 4. Totals 23 7-25 56.

3-point goals: Meadows Valley 1 (McDonald); Richfield 3 (Kent 2, Cenarrusa). Total fouls: Meadows Valley 17, Richfield 9.

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CSI

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he brought us incredible energy tonight. He just played so, so hard and that kind of effort is contagious."

Cavel Claggett led CNCC with 12 points and Garrett Wilkins had 10.

CSI hosts Snow College on Thursday.

NOTES: Rafriel Guthrie did not play in the second half after sustaining an injury to his hand. He's expected to play this week.

CSI 73, COLORADO NORTHWESTERN 51

CNCC (51)
Terrin 1-3 0-0 2, Trussell 1-3 0-0 3, Parish 1-9 0-0 3, Tapisoua 1-5 0-0 2, Powers 3-6 0-0 8, Ajak 2-4 2-3 6, Wilkins 3-8 4-5 10, Willie 0-3 1-1 1, Yanez 0-1 1-3 1, Claggett 5-12 0-0 12, Smith 2-6 0-0 4, Totals 19 60 8-17 51.

CSI (73)
Harris 3-8 2-3 8, Swilling 5-11 2-2 15, Guthrie 2-3 3-

4 7, Michineau 0-2 0-0 0, Bunch 3-4 0-0 6, Attila 1-7 0-0 3, Santo 2-5 4-6 8, Mikkelonis 2-7 2-4 6, Egwionwu 3-10 3-9 9, Putsifer 2-4 1-2 5, Sequelle 2-3 2-6 6, Foster 0-1 0-2 0. Totals 25-67 19-32 73.
Halftime: CSI 40-21. 3-point goals: CNCC 5-18 (Terrin 0-2, Trussell 1-1, Parish 0-1, Tapisoua 0-1, Powers 2-5, Wilkins 0-2, Willie 0-1, Yanez 0-1, Claggett 2-3, Smith 0-1). CSI 4-18 (Harris 0-2, Swilling 3-4, Michineau 0-1, Attila 1-7, Mikkelonis 0-3, Foster 0-1). Rebounds: CNCC 41 (Ajak 12), CSI 56 (Egwionwu 9). Assists: CNCC 8, CSI 11 (Michineau 4). Turnovers: CNCC 20, CSI 11. Team fouls: CNCC 25, CSI 20. Fouled out: Parish.



Shoshone Boys Blow Away Oakley in Fourth

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SHOSHONE • It was incredible how fast it snowballed.

After three quarters Saturday, the Shoshone-Oakley game appeared to be headed toward a tight finish. But one hustle play after another mounted momentum for the Indians as they blew the doors off their 58-36 victory in the opening round of the Class 1A District IV-V-VI tournament.

Garrett Sant scored 23 points and Henry Garcia had 16 to pace Shoshone (13-8), which advances to play at Grace on Monday.

Oakley (4-17) hosts an elimination game Monday against Hagerman.

After a back-and-forth first half, Oakley grabbed a 28-23 lead midway through the third quarter when Gerritt Wybenga scored on an offensive rebound, followed by a three-point play by Brodie Bell.

The game-changing play came with the clock winding down in the third. Sant missed a 3, but Shoshone tracked down the rebound and kicked it out to Garcia for a baseline jumper at the buzzer that gave the Indians a 32-29 lead, plus momentum.

"We have a tendency when something like that happens, it really pops our balloon and deflates our energy," said Oakley coach Tyler Matlock. "We let that carry over to the fourth quarter."

The momentum continued to build as Shoshone opened the fourth with a Sant 3-pointer to go up six. Then on its next possession, Hector Diaz drove in for a score and was fouled. He missed the ensuing free throw, but the Indians got another offensive board, which Diaz turned into a deep 3-pointer.

All totaled, Shoshone turned a one-point game into an 11-point advantage in 49 just seconds.

"That's kind of how this team is," Sant said. "When we play well, we get those



RYAN HOWE/Times-News

Shoshone's Gage Roberts takes the ball to the rim where he's met by Oakley's Parker Kimber during their Class 1A Division I District IV-V-VI tournament game Saturday at Shoshone High School.

energy plays where all of the sudden it kicks in. That one high energy play got us going and after that it was just layup after layup."

Shoshone outscored Oakley 26-7 in the final quarter as, according to Matlock, "Mr. Sant put the team on his shoulders and he decided that he was going to score and we let him. ... We imploded."

Sant scored 11 of his 23 in the fourth, mostly by going

to the rim.

"The thing we talked about at halftime was keeping our spacing offensively, and don't be afraid to put the ball on the floor and attack the basket and not live by the jump shot," said Shoshone coach Larry Messick. "We did a little bit better job of that in the fourth quarter."

Bell finished with a team-high 13 and Fernando Tellez scored seven for Oakley.

"The first three quarters

were probably the best we've put in a row all season," said Matlock. "Tonight wasn't a blowout, the fourth quarter was. There's a lot to build on from tonight."

SHOSHONE 58, OAKLEY 36

Oakley	11	7	11	7	-36
Shoshone	7	12	13	26	-58

OAKLEY (36)

Wybenga 5, Tellez 7, Marchant 5, Bell 13, Kimber 2, Satoke 2, Andrew 2. Totals 12 11-15 36.

SHOSHONE (58)

Garcia 16, Sant 23, Waite 6, Diaz 5, Roberts 1, Aoi 2, Wallace 3, Hadden 2. Totals 23 6-14 58.

3-point goals: Oakley 3 (Bell 2, Tellez), Shoshone 4 (Sant 3, Diaz). Total fouls: Oakley 13, Shoshone 14.

PREP ROUNDUP

Williams Drops 30 as Hansen Rolls Challis

TIMES-NEWS

Seth Williams scored 30 points as Hansen stormed past Challis 77-49 its opening game of the Class 1A Division I District IV-V-VI Tournament.

Devon Fitzsimmons added 19 points and the Huskies emphatically put away Challis with 28 fourth-quarter points.

Hansen (10-9) is at Glens Ferry Monday at 7 p.m.

Challis	9	17	9	14	-49
Hansen	19	18	12	28	-77

CHALLIS (49)

Trusnovac 6, Lind 6, Hamilton 10, King 4, Olsen 23. Totals 20 7-13 49.
HANSEN (77)
Spearing 11, Williams 30, J. Arevalo 2, Veenstra 6, Fitzsimmons 19, Fuller 6, Denney 3. Totals 34 5-8 77.
3-point goals: Challis 2 (Trusnovac 2), Hansen 4 (Williams 3, Denney). Team fouls: Challis 10, Hansen 16.

GLENN'S FERRY 54,

RAFT RIVER 35

Chris Popoca hit three 3-pointers and scored 13 points as Glens Ferry ran past Raft River in the Class 1A Division I District IV-V-VI Tournament.

Brogan Higley scored 12 points for Raft River, and teammate Zach Zollinger added 10.

Glens Ferry (15-6) hosts Hansen Monday at 7 p.m. and the Trojans (0-19) visit Challis for a loser-out game.

RAFT RIVER (35)

Glens Ferry	10	7	10	8	-54
Raft River	11	21	16	6	-35

RAFT RIVER (35)

Higley 12, Zollinger 10, Bowden 1, Guadarrama 2, C. Maldonado 8, Fenn 2. Totals 13 8-16 35.

GLENN'S FERRY (54)

Christensen 2, Willis 9, Jones 6, Juarez 2, Martinez 9, Popoca 13, Garcia 10, Bryant 3. Totals 27 10 54.

3-point goals: Raft River 1 (Zollinger), 5 (Popoca 3, Willis, Martinez). Team fouls: Raft River 10, Glens Ferry 17.

GRACE 62, HAGERMAN 40

Hagerman was rocked by Grace in the opening round of the Class 1A Division I District IV-V-VI Tournament.

Marcus Emerson scored 11, but Grace put Hagerman in a 10-point halftime deficit with a 23-point second quarter.

Hagerman (9-12) plays Oakley on Monday and Grace plays Shoshone.

Hagerman	11	10	6	13	-40
Grace	8	23	16	15	-62

HAGERMAN (40)

Kress 8, Funkhouser 3, Crist 3, Hensley 2, Emerson 11, Sandoval 7, Arriaga 6. Totals 12 11-15 40.

GRACE (62)

Kladis 10, Simonson 3, McClain 2, Jorgensen 7, Lloyd 6, N. Jensen 19, J. Jensen 15, Kunz 2. Totals 21 16-27 62.

3-point goals: Hagerman 5 (Emerson 2, Crist, Funkhouser, Kress), Grace 4 (Kladis 2, Jorgensen, J. Jensen). Team fouls: Hagerman 23, Grace 13. Fouled out: Sandoval.

CSI

CSI WOMEN PULL AWAY FROM CNCC

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TWIN FALLS • The script was similar to the first matchup.

The College of Southern Idaho came out sluggish, leading Colorado Northwestern by just two at halftime.

But a rededication to the defensive end and strong second halves by Mechela Barnes and Chakala Carthen led the Golden Eagles over Colorado Northwestern 67-49.

CSI moves to 13-12 overall and 5-5 in the Scenic West standings, creating a three-way tie for third with USU-Eastern Utah and Salt Lake.

USU-Eastern lost 63-58 to North Idaho in Coeur d'Alene and Salt Lake beat Snow College 73-66.

"Right now, it really feels like anyone can beat anyone in this conference and we're right in the middle of it," said CSI guard Mechela Barnes.

The sophomore came out shooting hot early, scoring five of CSI's eight first points. CNCC (9-15, 0-10 SWAC), however, took an 11-8 lead off a 3-pointer from Jaynelle Johnson.

She scored 10 of her team-leading 12 points in the first half as CSI led just 24-22 at halftime.

That was the same half-time score CSI led by in its 57-35 win over CNCC in Rangely, Colo. earlier this season.

CSI came out hot in the second half and Barnes scored 20 of her game-high 25 points in the second half, most coming on strong finishes at the basket. The Golden Eagles started the half on a 20-7 run and kept the Spartans scoreless for the first four minutes.

"Coach told us that it was the same score as last time and we needed to come out with more dedication in the second half," Barnes said. "We came out with a lot more energy and did a better job attacking the basket.



CSI's Mechela Barnes comes down on Colorado Northwestern Community College's Jasmine Ransom Saturday at CSI in Twin Falls.

They brought us down in the first half and it was really hard to get into a flow."

A rare 3-pointer from Adriana Dent made the score 53-36 with seven minutes remaining, and the Spartans never got closer than 15 the rest of the game.

Carthen played another nice game for the Golden Eagles, scoring 20 points and grabbing 12 rebounds. Tayllor Gipson struggled scoring, finishing with just six points on 1-for-9 shoot-

ing, but had nine assists and eight rebounds.

CSI wraps up the regular season home slate next week, starting with Snow on Thursday.

NOTES: At halftime of the men's game, the CSI women's basketball team, with the help of an anonymous donor, donated \$1,000 to the Acey Shaw fund. ... Former Golden Eagles and current College of Idaho hoopsters Tina Fakahafua, Kylie Hardison and

Felicity Jones were in attendance.

CSI 67, COLORADO NORTHWESTERN 49

CNCC (49)
Cordova 3-6 0-0 7, Madsen 4-12 0-0 8, Johnson 4-14 2-2 12, Blanton 2-3 0-0 4, Ransom 4-10 3-5 11, Anderson 1-3 0-0 2, Page 0-0 0-0 0, Garcia-Sague 0-1 0-0 0, Bair 0-2 3-4 3, Epeerson 0-2 3-4 3, Kerrick 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 19-54 8-11 49.

CSI (67)
Gipson 1-9 4-6 6, Schierman 1-6 0-0 2, Barnes 9-14 4-5 25, Carthen 8-13 3-8 20, Saint-Felix 1-3 1-2 3, Dent 1-1 0-0 3, Prestwich 1-3 0-0 3, Tanner 1-3 1-2 3, Borges 0-3 0-0 0, Liepina 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 23-56 15-25 67.

Halftime: CSI 24, CNCC 22. 3-point goals: CNCC 3-16 (Cordova 1-3, Madsen 0-1, Johnson 2-8, Ransom 0-3, Anderson 0-1), CSI 6-22 (Gipson 0-5, Schierman 0-2, Barnes 3-7, Carthen 1-2, Dent 1-1, Prestwich 1-3, Borges 0-2). Rebounds: CNCC 34 (Cordova 9), CSI 38 (Carthen 12). Assists: CNCC 8, CSI 14 (Gipson 9). Turnovers: CNCC 6, CSI 14. Team fouls: CNCC 19, CSI 14.

CSI Softball Wins Two More

TIMES-NEWS

ST. GEORGE, Utah — The College of Southern Idaho, led by Nikki Brailsford, brought out the lumber in its doubleheader against Colorado Northwestern on Saturday.

Brailsford hit three home runs in the Golden Eagles' opener, an 11-3 victory. Those blasts drove home four runs, and T.J. Surrage added a three-run home run in the second to erase

the Spartans' short-lived lead. Averie Schroeder also homered for CSI.

CSI wasted no time in the nightcap, plating 10 runs in the first inning and hitting five home runs. Leah Hopson went 2-for-4 with four RBIs and two runs scored, while Schroeder (3-for-3, three runs) and Kylee Hogue (2-for-4, two runs scored) also had big days at the plate.

Jill Eckstein went the distance in the second game,

while Grace Combs earned the victory in the opener. CSI improved to 15-6 overall, 5-1 Scenic West Athletic Conference.

Without playing a game at home, CSI coach Nick Baumert is pleased with where his team stands at this point of the season.

"We're pretty much where we'd thought we be," Baumert said. "We dropped a game to Southern Nevada and they're pretty decent, but we're swinging (the bat)

well and making good adjustments."

Both games ended after five innings.

FIRST GAME

CSI 11, COLORADO NORTHWESTERN 3

CNCC	010	02	-3 61
CSI	041	06	-11 20

Tites, Kvenstler (4), Walker (5) and Lamireaux; Combs, Makings (5) and Schroeder. 2B: CSI, Wilkinson, Schroeder. CNCC, Dumas. HR: CSI, Brailsford 3, Schroeder, Surrage.

SECOND GAME

CSI 18, CNCC 2

CNCC	000	20	-2 53
CSI	0044	0x	-18 19 0

Olsen, Gibbs (1), Walker (3), Tites (4) and Lamireaux; Eckstein and Webster. 2B: CSI, Eckstein 2, Schroeder. HR: CSI, Hopson, Hogue, Brailsford, Butars, Surrage.

NBA

Nowitzki, Terry lead Mavs over Blazers in 2OT

DALLAS • Dirk Nowitzki scored 20 points, Jason Terry added 19, and the Dallas Mavericks held on for a 97-94 double-overtime victory over the Portland Trail Blazers on Saturday night.

Former Dallas-area high school star LaMarcus Aldridge had 33 points, 15 during a fourth-quarter rally, and Jamal Crawford contributed 19 points for the Trail Blazers.

Shawn Marion had 14 points and 12 rebounds for Dallas, which won its third in a row.

KNICKS 100, TIMBERWOLVES 98
MINNEAPOLIS • Jeremy Lin did it again.

Lin hit a free throw with 4.9 seconds left to overcome a dreadful second half and lift the New York Knicks to their fifth straight victory, 100-98, over the Minnesota Timberwolves on Saturday night.

NUGGETS 113, PACERS 109

INDIANAPOLIS • Ty Lawson scored 27 points to lead the Denver Nuggets over the Indiana Pacers, snapping the Nuggets' five-game losing streak with the win.

MAGIC 99, BUCKS 94

MILWAUKEE • Jason Richardson scored 28 of his season-high 31 points in the second half and made nine 3-pointers to lead the Orlando Magic to a 99-94 victory over the Milwaukee Bucks on Saturday night.

SPURS 103, NETS 89

NEWARK, N.J. — Gary Neal scored 18 points, and Tim Duncan recorded his ninth double-double of the season with 13 points and 10 rebounds as the San Antonio Spurs won their seventh in the row.

Tony Parker added 12 points, DeJuan Blair finished 11, while Daniel Green and Thiago Splitter each had 10 for the Spurs.

76ERS 99, CAVALIERS 84

CLEVELAND • Jrue Holiday scored 20 points to lead six Philadelphia players in double figures as the 76ers rolled over the short-handed Cleveland Cavaliers.

Philadelphia bounced back from a difficult home loss to the Los Angeles Clippers on Friday night to break a season-high two-game losing streak.

CLIPPERS 111, BOBCATS 86

CHARLOTTE, N.C. • Chris Paul, Blake Griffin, and DeAndre Jordan all had double-doubles after three quarters as the Los Angeles Clippers handed the dreadful Charlotte Bobcats yet another lopsided loss.

Paul toyed with the Bobcats, finishing with 18 points and 14 assists in only 28 minutes.

Griffin had 21 points and 10 rebounds and DeAndre Jordan had 11 points with 12 rebounds. Caron Butler added 16 points as the Clippers opened an 84-52 lead after three quarters.

Swilling

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athletes coming up to him. It's pretty cool to say that's my dad."

With his father constantly pushing him to be his best self, Swilling Jr. is a starting swingman for the sixth-ranked College of Southern Idaho, averaging 11.9 points per game. The former high school football player was very close, however, to following in his father's steps as a star on the gridiron.

Swilling Jr. was a football and basketball star at the athletics-rich Brother Martin High School in New Orleans, drawing constant comparisons to his father on the football field. As a sophomore defensive end, Swilling Jr. piled up sacks like the elder Swilling did for the "Dome Patrol," the famed linebacker core for the New Orleans Saints in the early '90s.

Swilling Jr. grew two more inches, to 6-foot-3 and moved to cornerback his junior and senior seasons, picking off eight passes each year and leading a defense that had 10 shutouts his junior season. His football recruitment blew up and was one of the best players in the state of Louisiana.

He took official visits to LSU, Tennessee and University of Colorado. USC was coming after him hard, as was Old Miss and Kentucky. His father told him to take his time with his decision. Whatever he chose to do, he'd stand behind it.

Basketball season rolled along and Swilling Jr. shined. He averaged better than 20 points a game. The shooting guard had 30, 40, even 50 point games in leading Brother Martin to a state championship.

"I had a lot of accolades. I didn't know what I was going to do," Swilling Jr. said. "Basketball schools just started calling. My dad just said, 'If you want to play basketball, you go play basketball.'"

Though he was an All-Pro linebacker and inducted in the College Football Hall of Fame, Swilling's first love was basketball.

"My high school basketball coach looked at me. He's like, 'I know you want to play basketball, but do you want to play big-time football or small-time basketball?'" Swilling said. "Big-time football sounded pretty good. Patrick, he's a big-time basketball player."

Swilling Jr. signed with St. Joseph's, but he struggled his freshman season, shooting just 22 percent. He was dismissed from the team in February after an incident involving a stolen laptop.

He left the school and finished the spring semester at Louisiana Tech.

"Although it didn't end

the way I had hoped it would, it was a good experience at St. Joe's," Swilling Jr. said. "I got caught up in some foolishness. I learned a lot about myself. It's not always good to retaliate. You've got to let things go and people will get what they deserve. Things happen for a reason."

Dismissed from St. Joe's and finishing his freshman year at Louisiana Tech, Swilling Jr. didn't have many options outside of low-level Division I offers to continue his playing career.

One of his former AAU coaches, however, knew CSI assistant coach Ryan Devlin. So, Devlin and fellow assistants, Josh Dees and Colby Blaine visited Swilling Jr. and his family and brought the 6-3 guard to Twin Falls for a visit.

And that was that. He committed right there, after meeting Pierre Jackson, Mitch Bruneel and Kenny Buckner.

"I was very impressed with CSI," Swilling said of his son's decision to play in Twin Falls. "That's a first-class organization. I wish we had heard about CSI a long time ago."

Swilling Jr. has started every game for the Golden Eagles and although his outside shooting has been cold of late, he's made strides on the defensive end, often matched up with the opposition's best player.

"Coach (Steve) Gosar wants me to step up and be a leader. I come from big time basketball. I've been through the fire. I've been in heavy situations," Swilling Jr. said. "Everybody loves playing offense, but I know that for us to get our goal and win a SWAC championship and get to Hutch, I need to be a player on defense. We want to try and get everybody a Wendy's night every game."

The dedication to defense comes from his father's favorite motto: "While you're not working, someone else is."

"I've always preached to him the importance of hard work. When things don't go well, it's your work ethic that you have to lean on," said the senior Swilling. "I think he understands that."

Swilling Jr. remembers those conversations he's had with Bryant and other famous athletes he's met through his father, and is grateful for those interactions.

"It keeps you humble to be around people that have worked for everything they have. Even though they're stars, to hear them talk about how hard they work is humbling," Swilling Jr. said. "Not many people have the opportunity to have a dad who played professional sports and I'm grateful. He's taught me a lot. He never wanted me to follow in his shadow or whatever. He just wants me to be myself."

Lin

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who he is. That is hard to do."

Lin is drawing comparisons to Denver quarterback Tim Tebow, with the way he impacts his teammates during games and talks about his faith afterward.

Saturday night, he's taking his show on the road to Minneapolis, where the Knicks will try to win their fifth consecutive game.

Lin was perhaps on his last chance, and maybe a last resort, when D'Antoni put him in last Saturday against New Jersey. The Knicks had lost on the previous two nights to fall to 8-15, and another defeat that night would have dropped them behind the Nets in the standings and might have made the cries to fire D'Antoni even harder for team management to ignore.

Lin had slept on teammate Landry Fields' couch the night before, still refusing to get his own place as he headed into the week the Knicks would have to decide whether to cut him or guarantee his contract for the rest of the season.



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Knicks guard Jeremy Lin reacts after hitting a basket during the fourth quarter of his breakout 25-point game against the New Jersey Nets on Feb. 4 at Madison Square Garden in New York.

TOP 25 ROUNDUP

Kentucky Survives Scare Against Vandy

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NASHVILLE, Tenn. • Doron Lamb hit a 3-pointer with 3:18 left to put No. 1 Kentucky ahead to stay, and the Wildcats took a big step toward a Southeastern Conference regular-season title by beating Vanderbilt 69-63 Saturday night for their 17th straight win.

Kentucky (25-1, 11-0) disrupted Vanderbilt with aggressive defense in the first half, and the Wildcats held off a furious charge in a sold-out and electric Memorial Gym by scoring the final eight points of the game.

NO. 2 SYRACUSE 85, CONNECTICUT 67 SYRACUSE, N.Y. • Scoop Jardine sparked a game-deciding rally with 3-pointers on consecutive possessions in the closing minutes, and No. 2 Syracuse beat Connecticut 85-67 on Saturday.

Jardine had a season-high 21 points as Syracuse (25-1, 12-1 Big East) earned its fifth consecutive win since suffering its only loss of the season at Notre Dame.

NO. 11 MICHIGAN STATE 58, NO. 3 OHIO STATE 48 COLUMBUS, Ohio • Adreian Payne scored 15 points, Draymond Green had 12 and Michigan State snapped Ohio State's 39-game home winning streak.

The Spartans (20-5, 9-3) pulled into a tie with the Buckeyes (21-4, 9-3) for first place in the Big Ten.

NO. 4 MISSOURI 72, NO. 6 BAYLOR 57 COLUMBIA, Mo. • Phil Pressey scored 19 points, making four of Missouri's season-best 14 3-pointers.

Sixth man Michael Dixon also had four 3-pointers and Marcus Denmon added three for Missouri (23-2, 10-2 Big 12), which shot 50 per-

cent from long range.

NO. 5 NORTH CAROLINA 70, NO. 19 VIRGINIA CHAPEL HILL, N.C. • Tyler Zeller had 25 points and nine rebounds to power North Carolina to the victory.

Harrison Barnes added 14 points and 11 rebounds for the Tar Heels (21-4, 8-2 Atlantic Coast Conference), who regrouped from Wednesday night's stunning loss to rival Duke on a last-second 3-pointer. North Carolina blew the game open with a 22-5 run that started early in the second half, with Zeller scoring seven points during the spurt that pushed the Tar Heels to a 15-point lead with about 6½ minutes left.

NO. 7 KANSAS 81, OKLAHOMA STATE 66 LAWRENCE, Kan. • Jeff Withey and Thomas Robinson each logged impressive double-doubles for Kansas, which wasted a big chunk of a 29-point second-half cushion before pulling away for the victory.

Withey finished with 18 points and a career-best 20 rebounds, while Robinson burnished his player of the year credentials with 24 points and 14 boards for his 18th double-double of the season.

TENNESSEE 75, NO. 8 FLORIDA 70 GAINESVILLE, Fla. • Trae Golden scored 17 points, Jeronne Maymon added 15 points and 11 rebounds, and Tennessee ended Florida's home-winning streak at 19.

Coming off a 20-point loss at top-ranked Kentucky and wearing gray uniforms to commemorate the program's back-to-back national championships in 2006 and 2007, Florida trailed by double digits early and never mustered any-

thing resembling a comeback.

NO. 9 MURRAY STATE 82, AUSTIN PEAY 62 MURRAY, Ky. • Isaiah Canaan had 23 points and six assists as No. 9 Murray State bounced back from its first loss of the season to beat Austin Peay 82-62 on Saturday night.

Ivan Aska and Jewuan Long added 12 points for the Racers (24-1, 12-1 Ohio Valley Conference). On Thursday night, Murray State became the last team in Division I to lose this season when it fell to Tennessee State.

NO. 10 DUKE 73, MARYLAND 55 DURHAM, N.C. • Miles Plumlee had 13 points and a career-high 22 rebounds, helping Duke pull away for the win.

Seth Curry scored 19 points and Mason Plumlee added 16 points and 10 rebounds while big brother Miles became the first Duke player with 20 rebounds since Elton Brand in 1998.

NO. 14 UNLV 65, NO. 13 SAN DIEGO STATE 63 LAS VEGAS • Mike Moser scored 19 points and made a key steal late that helped UNLV to the close victory.

The Runnin' Rebels (22-4, 6-2 Mountain West) forced three turnovers in the final 42 seconds to win.

Moser's steal and pass set up Anthony Marshall for the go-ahead layup. The Aztecs' Chase Tapley had made a 3-pointer to put San Diego State up by one with less than two minutes to play.

NO. 15 FLORIDA STATE 64, MIAMI 59 TALLAHASSEE, Fla. • Bernard James scored 15 of his 18 points in the second half and Florida State



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Wichita State's Carl Hall (22) is defended by Creighton's Jahenns Manigat (12) in the first half of their game in Omaha, Neb., on Saturday.

snapped Miami's five-game winning streak.

Michael Snaer had 12 points and Ian Miller finished with 11 for Florida State (17-7, 8-2 Atlantic Coast Conference), which bounced back from a disappointing 64-60 loss at Boston College on Wednesday.

WICHITA STATE 89, NO. 17 CREIGHTON 68 OMAHA, Neb. • Joe Ragland scored 24 points, Ben Smith matched his career high with 22 and Wichita State moved a step closer to the Missouri Valley Conference regular-season championship with the 89-68 win over No. 17 Creighton.

Wichita State (22-4, 13-2) has won 12 of its last 13 games and 20 of 22. The Bluejays (21-5, 11-4) have lost

three straight.

NO. 18 MARQUETTE 95, CINCINNATI 78 MILWAUKEE • Darius Johnson-Odom and Jae Crowder scored 23 points each, leading Marquette to the home win.

Jamil Wilson added 15 points for the Golden Eagles (21-5, 10-3 Big East), who have won nine of their last 10 games.

GEORGIA 70, NO. 20 MISS. ST. 68, OT STARKVILLE, Miss. • Georgia's Kentavious Caldwell-Pope scored 20 points, including a crucial 3-pointer late in overtime.

Georgia (12-12, 3-7) earned its first Southeastern Conference road win this season and only its second road victory overall. Gerald Robinson Jr. added 13 points, including

eight in overtime. Dustin Ware had 11.

NO. 24 LOUISVILLE 77, WEST VIRGINIA 74 MORGANTOWN, W.Va. • Kyle Kuric scored 17 points to lead five Louisville players in double figures.

Louisville (20-5, 8-4 Big East) scored 13 of the game's final 16 points to extend its winning streak to six games.

PRINCETON 70, NO. 25 HARVARD 62 PRINCETON, N.J. • Ian Hummer had 20 points and Princeton handed Harvard its first Ivy League loss of the season.

T.J. Bray added 12 points for the Tigers (13-10, 4-3), who defeated the Crimson at home for the 23rd straight time. Princeton has not lost to Harvard at Jadwin Gym since 1989.

REGIONAL

Boise State Beats Air Force For First MWC Win

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AIR FORCE ACADEMY, Colo. • Joe Hanstad's 19 points and Anthony Drmic's double-double led Boise State past Air Force 72-61 on Saturday night for the Broncos' first win in the Mountain West Conference.

Drmic had 12 points and 10 rebounds for the Broncos (11-12, 1-7) as Boise State handed interim Falcons coach Dave Pilipovich a loss in his debut following Jeff Reynolds' ouster on Wednesday.

Michael Lyons led Air Force with 24 points but couldn't prevent the Falcons (11-11, 1-7) from losing their seventh straight game since beating Boise State on the road Jan. 14.

Air Force athletic director Hans Meuh said Reynolds was overbearing and he wanted the Falcons to enjoy the game once again. But they didn't have much fun watching the Broncos outshoot them from the floor and the free-throw line.

IDAHO STATE 79, NORTHERN ARIZONA 73 FLAGSTAFF, Ariz. • Kenny McGowen scored 25 of his career-high 37 points in the second half as Idaho State held off Northern Arizona.

Sherrod Baldwin added 13 points, Melvin Morgan 11 and Andre Hatchett 10 for the Bengals (9-16, 7-6 Big Sky), who moved into sole possession of third place in the conference standings.

Gabe Rogers scored a season-high 25 points for the Lumberjacks (5-21, 1-13), who have lost 13 straight. Durrell Norman added 15 and Michael Dunn had 12.

Playing without injured leading scorer Chase Grabau, Idaho State hit 11 of 20 3-point attempts. McGowen did most of the damage, sinking 7 of 12 from long

range. He was 12 of 22 overall from the floor and hit all six free-throw attempts.

McGowen hit 8 of 9 shots in the second half, his only miss coming on a blocked layup attempt in the final minutes.

BYU 86, PEPPERDINE 48 PROVO, Utah • Charles Abouo had 23 points and 12 rebounds and BYU routed Pepperdine.

Abouo made five 3-pointers to match his highest point total of the season for the Cougars (21-6, 9-3 West Coast), who have won three in a row and five of their last six.

Brandon Davies had 13 points and seven rebounds for BYU and Matt Carlino and Anson Winder added 10 points apiece.

The Cougars jumped to a 12-2 lead and didn't let up, extending their lead to 31-7. They led 46-25 at halftime behind 17 points from Abouo. The 10 BYU players who saw action all scored at least three points. Ramon Eaton and Taylor Darby scored eight points each to lead Pepperdine (8-17, 2-12). The Waves have lost 12 of their last 13.

NEW MEXICO STATE 80, UTAH STATE 69 LOGAN, Utah • Wendell McKines scored 20 points and grabbed a game-high nine rebounds to lead New Mexico State.

Hernst Laroche scored 16 points and had seven assists for New Mexico State (18-8, 7-3 WAC).

Utah State (13-13, 5-6) was led by Preston Medlin with 16 points, while Danny Berger had a career-high 14 points.

Kyisean Reed hit a free throw to put Utah State up 66-65 with 5:55 remaining. Utah State went on a scoring drought and watched New



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Boise State guard Anthony Drmic (3) drives past Air Force center Taylor Broekhuis, rear left, and forward Kamryn Williams for a shot in Boise State's 72-61 victory at Air Force Academy, Colo., on Saturday.

Mexico State unleash a 15-3 run to ensure the win.

New Mexico State was sparked by LaRoche, who blocked a 3-point attempt by Medlin, stole the ball and made a layup with 2:30 remaining. Utah State had four turnovers in the final 2:20. New Mexico State outrebounded its opponent 34-21 and had nine steals.

ARIZONA 70, UTAH 61 TUCSON, Ariz. • Nick Johnson hit a 3-pointer with just over a minute left and

3-pointers for all of his 12 points. Utah (5-11, 2-11) hit 9 of 18 from the arc against the Pac-12's best team at defending 3-pointers, but didn't hit a shot from anywhere over the final 5:42 to lose its sixth straight game. Jason Washburn and Cedric Martin had 15 points each for the Utes, 0-13 on the road.

WEBER STATE 84, E. WASHINGTON 75 OGDEN, Utah • NCAA scoring leader Damian Lillard scored 22 points and Bryon Fulton added a season-high 16 points off the bench as Weber State held off Eastern Washington for its fourth straight win.

Scott Bamforth added 13 and Kyle Bullinger had 10 for the Wildcats (20-4, 11-1 Big Sky), who led the whole way but could never relax as the Eagles (11-14, 5-6) hung around. Cliff Colimon scored all 20 of his points after halftime and Parker Kelly added a season-high 17 points off the bench for Eastern Washington, which dropped its second conference contest in a row.

Lillard was 12-for-12 from the line despite going 4 of 13 from the field.

Weber State, the top free-throw shooting team in the country, was 32 of 35 from the line and outrebounded Eastern Washington 44-35.

Regional Box Scores

BOISE ST. (11-12) Drmic 3-9 4-12, Buckner 5-8 0-110, Marks 4-7 3-5, Hammonds 0-2 0-0 0, Earls 0-1 0-2 0, Von 2-4 0-1, Green 3-5 1-1 8, Hempsey 0-2 0-0 0, Wiley 3-7 2-2 11, Watkins 0-0 0-0 0, Totals 21-50 21-25 72.
AIR FORCE (11-11) Williams 0-2 2-4 2, Fitzgerald 1-5 2-2 5, Broekhuis 2-4 4-10, Fletcher 1-7 2-5, Lyons 9-12 2-3 24, Hammonds 0-2 0-0 0, Earls 0-1 0-2 0, Von 2-4 0-1, Green 3-5 1-1 8, Hempsey 0-2 0-0 0, Barnhill 1-2 0-0 2, Totals 20-50 13-20 61.
HALFTIME—Boise St. 27-24, 3-Point Goals—Boise St. 9-22 (Hanstad 4-9, Wiley 3-6, Drmic 2-4, Elorriaga 0-1, Bropleh 0-2), Air Force 8-28 (Lyons 4-6, Green 1-3, Von 1-3, Fletcher 1-4, Fitzgerald 1-4, Hempsey 0-1, Hammonds 0-1, Williams 0-2, Broekhuis 0-4), Fouled Out—Fletcher, Rebounds—Boise St. 39 (Drmic 10), Air Force 27 (Broekhuis 8), Assists—Boise St. 13 (Elorriaga 5), Air Force 15 (Fletcher 9), Total Fouls—Boise St. 18, Air Force 20, A-2,126.

IDAHO ST. 79, N. ARIZONA 73 IDAHO ST. (9-16) Moreira 3-5 0-0 6, Morgan 4-13 2-2 11, Baldwin 5-8 0-0 13, McGowen 12-22 6-6 37, Hatchett 3-8 4-5 10, Grabau 0-0 0-0 0, Mason 0-2 0-0 0, Kusmieruk 0-2 2-2 2, Martin 0-0 0-0 0, Moore 0-0 0-0 0, Swanson 0-0 0-0 0, Totals 27-60 14-15 79.
N. ARIZONA (5-21) Bewerick 2-3 1-2 6, Ekanem 1-1 2-2 4, Douglas 3-7 3-4 9, Dunn 4-10 4-5 12, Rogers 10-24 4-4 25, Saldivar 0-1 2-2 2, Gruber 0-0 0-0 0, Flores 0-0 0-0 0, Norman 7-11 0-1 15, Olayinka 0-0 0-0 0, Totals 25-77 16-20 73.
HALFTIME—Idaho St. 36-34, 3-Point Goals—Idaho St. 11-20 (McGowen 7-12, Baldwin 3-3, Morgan 1-3, Mason 0-1, Hatchett 0-1), N. Arizona 3-15 (Bewerick 1-1, Norman 1-1, Rogers 1-9, Saldivar 0-1, Douglas 0-1, Dunn 0-2), Fouled Out—None, Rebounds—Idaho St. 33 (Hatchett, Kusmieruk, Moreira 7), N. Arizona 34 (Dunn 7), Assists—Idaho St. 16 (Morgan 5), N. Arizona 17 (Saldivar 6), Total Fouls—Idaho St. 21, N. Arizona 18, A-686.

BYU 86, PEPPERDINE 48 PEPPERDINE (8-17) Baker 2-3 3-3 7, Harold 2-6 0-2 4, Willis 2-3 0-0 4, Darby 4-8 0-0 8, Moore 2-8 1-4 5, Redix 0-0 0-0 0, Lowery 2-6 0-0 5, Branning 1-1 0-0 3, Eaton 4-6 0-2 8, Skouen 1-5 0-2 2, Martin 0-0 0-0 0, Ochenje 1-7 0-0 2, Totals 21-63 4-11 48.
BYU (21-9) Davies 3-7 8 13, Abouo 7-11 4-4 23, Carlino 4-11 1-1 10, Winder 3-8 1-2 10, Hartscock 3-5 3-4 9, Cusick 1-4 0-0 3, Sharp 0-1 3-4 3, Martineau 2-4 0-0 5, Harrison 2-10 1-6, Austin 2-4 0-0 4, Totals 27-65 20-24 86.
HALFTIME—BYU 46-25, 3-Point Goals—Pepperdine 2-16 (Branning 1-1, Lowery 1-2, Harold 0-1, Skouen 0-3, Moore 0-3, Baker 0-6), BYU 12-32 (Abouo 5-8, Winder 3-7, Cusick 1-2, Martineau 1-2, Harrison 1-5, Carlino 1-7, Sharp 0-1), Fouled Out—None, Rebounds—Pepperdine 39 (Baker 7, BYU 46 (Abouo 12), Assists—Pepperdine 14 (Baker, Willis 3), BYU 20 (Carlino 6), Total Fouls—Pepperdine 16, BYU 12, A-19008.

NEW MEXICO STATE 80, UTAH ST. 69 NEW MEXICO ST. (18-8) McKines 9-17 0-0 20, Watson 3-5 2-3 8, Rahman 4-9 2-3 10, Laroche 5-8 5-7 16, Mullings 4-5 0-2 8, Barry 1-2 0-0 3, Sv 4-5 2-2 13, Werhawe 0-3 2-4 2, Totals 30-54 13-21 80.
UTAH ST. (13-13) Grim 3-4 4-7 10, Reed 5-7 1-3 11, Pane 1-7 0-0 2, Berger 5-11 1-2 14, Medlin 6-15 0-0 16, Clifford 2-2 1-1 6, Farris 1-2 0-0 2, Bruneel 2-2 0-0 6, Stone 1-2 0-0 2, Totals 26-52 7-13 69.
HALFTIME—New Mexico St. 38-33, 3-Point Goals—New Mexico St. 7-11 (Sv 3-4, McKines 2-3, Barry 1-2, Laroche 1-2), Utah St. 10-20 (Medlin 4-10, Berger 3-6, Bruneel 2-2, Clifford 1-1, Farris 0-1), Fouled Out—None, Rebounds—New Mexico St. 34 (McKines 9), Utah St. 21 (Grim, Reed 4), Assists—New Mexico St. 16 (Laroche 7), Utah St. 20 (Pane 8), Total Fouls—New Mexico St. 15, Utah St. 16, A-10,1067.

ARIZONA 70, UTAH 61 UTAH (5-20) Farr 3-6 1-2 8, Washburn 7-10 1-1 15, Hines 4-11 0-0 11, Storey 2-7 2-8, Martin 5-8 2-2 15, Odunsi 0-0 0-0 0, Perkins 0-0 0-0 0, Dawson 1-2 0-0 2, Wilkinson 1-2 0-0 2, Totals 23-46 6-7 61.
ARIZONA (18-8) Perry 2-8 4-5 8, Hill 5-10 4-6 14, Turner 0-0 0 1-2 1, Johnson 5-11 5-8 18, Lavender 4-5 0-0 12, Wise 0-0 0-0 0, Fogg 5-14 3-4 17, Chol 0-1 0-0 0, Totals 21-49 12-22 70.
HALFTIME—Utah 33-25, 3-Point Goals—Utah 9-18 (Martin 3-5, Hines 3-6, Storey 2-4, Farr 1-2, Washburn 0-1), Arizona 11-24 (Lavender 4-5, Fogg 4-10, Johnson 3-7, Hill 0-2), Fouled Out—Washburn, Rebounds—Utah 27 (Farr 11), Arizona 28 (Hill 8), Assists—Utah 16 (Martin 7), Arizona 18 (Turner 7), Total Fouls—Utah 18, Arizona 11, A-14,084.

WEBER STATE 84, E. WASHINGTON 75 E. WASHINGTON (11-14) Griffin 2-2 2-4 6, Chiverton 2-13 2-2 7, Ederaine 2-7 2-3 6, Colimon 6-12 4-4 20, Forbes 2-9 3-3 8, Kelly 6-10 4-0 0 0, Fogg 2-4 1-3 5, Wintford 0-1 0-0 0, Hickert 2-4 0-0 6, Totals 24-62 14-19 75.
WCSB (11-14) Bullinger 2-5 6-6 10, Mahoney 2-2 2-2 6, Tresnak 2-7 8-10 12, Lillard 4-13 12-22 22, Bamforth 4-13 2-2 13, Richardson 1-3 0-0 2, Wheelwright 1-6 0-0 3, Fulton 6-9 2-3 16, Totals 22-58 32-35 84.
HALFTIME—Weber St. 41-30, 3-Point Goals—E. Washington 13-30 (Kelly 5-8, Colimon 4-7, Hickert 2-3, Forbes 4-4, Chiverton 1-7, Wintford 0-1, Weber St. 8-24 (Bamforth 3-6, Fulton 2-4, Lillard 2-6, Wheelwright 1-5, Bullinger 0-1, Richardson 0-2), Fouled Out—Griffin, Rebounds—E. Washington 35 (Colimon 9), Weber St. 44 (Fulton 9), Assists—E. Washington 13 (Colimon 4, Ederaine 4), Weber St. 13 (Lillard, Richardson 4), Total Fouls—E. Washington 24, Weber St. 23, Technicals—Hickert, Wheelwright, A-8,361.

GOLF ROUNDUP

Pebble Beach

Continued from Sports 1

This time, Wi will be in the last group with someone in a familiar spot. Ken Duke, who is winless in 142 starts on the PGA Tour, shot a 65 at Monterey Peninsula.

The last two weeks haven't been too kind to 54-hole leaders. Kyle Stanley lost a five-shot lead at Torrey Pines, and Spencer Levin blew a six-shot lead the following week in the Phoenix Open. Both were going for their first PGA Tour win.

Your turn, Charlie. "I haven't really thought about that," Wi said, when asked if it were a blessing or a burden to be in front. "But I enjoy being in the lead. It's a lot more fun than trying to come from behind. I know that tonight is going to be very exciting, and I'm sure I won't sleep as well as if I'm in 50th place. But that's what we play for, and I'm really excited."

Along with Woods in the hunt, Phil Mickelson managed to stay in contention despite playing the par 5s at Pebble Beach in 1-over par. He saved par on the 18th for a 70. That put him in a tie for fourth, six shots behind, and a possible date in the final round with Woods.

Padraig Harrington was chasing the lead until a sloppy finish at Spyglass Hill — a bogey on the par-5 seventh, and a double bogey on the eighth. He had to settle for a 72 and dropped seven shots behind in a tie for ninth.

Even so, it served up quite the finale for Sunday.

Wi is No. 175 in the world, while Duke is at No. 258. They have combined for 304 starts without a win. Right behind them are Woods and Mickelson, who have combined for 18 majors and 110 PGA Tour wins.

Also in the group at 9-under 205 are two-time Pebble Beach winner Dustin Johnson, who had a 70 at Monterey Peninsula, and Hunter Mahan, who had a 70 at Spyglass Hill.

"It's really fun, especially when the big guys are up there," Duke said. "That's when everyone is out there watching. If you do perform well and play well, they will be watching you, as well. It's going to be fun."

With a short burst of birdies, it looked as though Woods was having a blast.

Coming off his lone bogey at No. 12, Woods looked as though he were headed for another one. From the left fairway bunker on the 13th, he overcut his 9-iron so much that it was headed for deep rough right of the green. Instead, it bounced off a mound back toward the green, took the grain and settled a foot beneath the hole for a tap-in birdie.

Woods watched the ball take the hard hop, listened to the gallery around the green cheer wildly, and just smiled.

"Looked like I was having a tough time making par, and I was making birdie, and off we go," Woods said. "Sometimes, we need those type of momentum swings in a round, and from there, I made some putts."

He rolled in a 10-foot birdie putt on the 14th, then had a 25-foot putt up the slope on the 15th. One of the amateurs in his group had a similar putt, so Woods was able to look at the break. He learned well, extending his left arm as he often does before the putt drops. And it did.

Woods made good birdie putts from 20 feet on the 17th and 8 feet on the 18th, where he also got a small break. Not wanting to hit driver in the first place because he couldn't reach in two, he came out of the shot. It looked like it might go out-of-bounds until it hit a CBS spotter and settled behind the bunkers.

Woods made an easy birdie on the par-5 second, but that was hit. He had to save par on the short par-4 fourth from a bunker, and didn't give himself enough good looks the rest of the way.

No matter. He moved up the leaderboard, higher than he has been in some time on this tour.

Woods played in the final



Tiger Woods on the Pebble Beach Golf Links during the third round of the AT&T Pebble Beach National Pro-Am golf tournament in Pebble Beach, Calif., Saturday

group two weeks ago in Abu Dhabi, tied for the lead with Robert Rock, and he had his poorest day striking the ball and finished in a tie for third. He played in the final group at his Chevron World Challenge at the end of last year and birdied the last two holes to beat Zach Johnson.

Woods doesn't distinguish between tours, or even official events. Winning is winning. Losing is losing. All he sees at the moment is progress, and it's hard to deny it.

Wi is making his own brand of progress, getting more comfortable with his swing and being in contention. He talks often about the demons in his head, which is typical of most any golfer.

"I'm sure I'll be fighting my demons all day tomorrow and it's how I handle myself tomorrow," Wi said. "It's not what other players are doing. How I handle myself tomorrow is going to be the outcome of the tournament."

DIVOTS: Joseph Bramlett, playing on a sponsor's exemption, made an albatross on the 11th hole at Spyglass when he holed out from 187 yards with a 6-iron. He negated that with two double bogeys and shot 73. ... Among the amateurs to make the cut were Dallas Cowboys quarterback Tony Romo, New England Patriots coach Bill Belichick and Oklahoma coach Bob Stoops, who is playing Pebble Beach for the first time.

Westwood, McIlroy Dueling in Dubai

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DUBAI, United Arab Emirates • Lee Westwood took advantage of some shaky play from Rory McIlroy and Thomas Bjorn, shooting a 5-under 67 for a one-stroke lead on Rafael Cabrera-Bello after the third round of the Dubai Desert Classic.

Westwood was three shots behind McIlroy and Bjorn at the start of the round but closed the gap with three birdies in his first four holes. The third-ranked Englishman birdied the 13th for a share of the lead with Bjorn and led when the Dane

bogeyed the 15th.

"I got off to a good start," Westwood said. "The only time I dropped two shots was when I hit two poor drives on 6 into the left rough, got a heavy lie and at 8 hit it into the sand on right. Other than that, very solid and gave myself lots of birdie chances."

Joining Cabrera-Bello at one-shot back were Stephen Gallacher (68) and Marcel Siem (68). McIlroy, who struggled early, finished with a 72 to trail Westwood by two shots. Bjorn was three behind the leader with a 73.

Champions Tour

BOCA RATON, Fla. • Corey Pavin and Peter Senior — both winless on the Champions Tour — shared the lead after the second round of the Allianz Championship at Broken Sound Golf Club.

Pavin followed his opening 8-under 64 with a 70 to match Senior at 10 under. Senior had a 68.

Mark Calcavecchia and Bernhard Langer were a stroke back. Calcavecchia had a 68, and Langer a 69.

Hymn Book Races to Victory

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HALLANDALE BEACH, Fla. • Hymn Book won the \$500,000 Grade 1 Donn Handicap on Saturday, holding off a field that also included Preakness winner Shackleford and Belmont champion Rule On Ice.

Hymn Book ran 1 1-8 miles in 1:49.16 and paid \$1, \$7.80, and \$5.60. Mission Impazible was second and returned \$9.20 and \$5.80. Redemeemed was third, paying, \$4.60.

Trickmeister set the pace

followed by Shackleford with Hymn Book running well behind for most of the race. The 6-year-old made a push around the far turn racing five wide and then finished strong down the stretch edging Mission Impazible by a nose at the finish.

"It worked out perfect," Hymn Book jockey John Velazquez said. "He broke well enough to save some ground into the first turn and I was able to kind of give up a little bit at the quarter pole. When I pulled him out he came running. He put up a good fight

down the stretch." Trickmeister and Shackleford both faded down the stretch finishing sixth and seventh. Rule On Ice was never a factor and finished eighth.

"This was a good field," Hymn Book trainer Shug McGaughey said. "We were concerned about the post position (10 of 11) and he kind of got caught out there on the first turn, but then got a good position down the backstretch. Johnny has always had a lot of confidence in him. He trained great for this race."

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U.S. SWEEPS FEDERER'S SWISS TEAM OUT OF DAVIS CUP

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FRIBOURG, Switzerland • Given a supremely tough draw in the 2012 Davis Cup, the United States is off to an exhilarating start.

It swept Roger Federer and Switzerland in the first round, with Mardy Fish and Mike Bryan winning the doubles match on clay, a surface selected by Federer to exploit what was perceived as an American weakness.

But Fish and Bryan, paired for the first time in more than three years, were clearly up for this challenge Saturday before a Swiss crowd that at times turned angry. They defeated Federer and Stanislas Wawrinka, the reigning Olympic champions, 4-6, 6-3, 6-3, 6-3.

"This is probably going down as one of the most memorable (wins)," said Bryan, who played on the 2007 winning team.

The doubles victory gave the Americans a 3-0 lead in the best-of-five, first-round series. Fish and Bryan built on the momentum from Friday's riveting singles matches when John Isner stunned Federer in four sets and Fish outlasted Wawrinka in five.

"This was a big step forward for our guys to come in here and play against a team of this caliber," U.S. captain Jim Courier said. "Our attitude remained strong all the while and we were ready for whatever. That is what you need for any road tie."

Handling partisan fans is among those demands, and sections of the crowd of some 7,000 were not pleased in the least when Bryan hit Federer and Wawrinka with volleys at close range.

The U.S. will again be on the road for the next round of Davis Cup, an April 6-8 quarterfinal against France or Canada.

If the favored French advance, they also would likely choose to put the U.S. on clay instead of faster hard courts. The winner would progress to an away semifinal, probably against defending champion Spain and Rafael Nadal, the greatest player of all on the slow red dust.

"We have the worst draw you could have on paper," Courier said. "But you saw what paper means here, which is absolutely nothing. That's the statement: It's that our guys are committed and played well."

In the seven other first-

round series in the World Group, three other nations completed 3-0 sweeps Saturday: Czech Republic (vs. Italy), Spain (vs. Kazakhstan) and Argentina (vs. Germany). Ahead 2-1 are Japan (vs. Croatia), Serbia (vs. Sweden) and Austria (vs. Russia). Canada and France are 1-1.

The U.S. produced the upset of the round despite owning a higher Davis Cup ranking than Switzerland.

"They did really well and got the victory they deserved," Federer said. "We did have our chances but maybe they were just a touch better than us again today."

Later, speaking in French to Swiss media, Federer appeared less gracious. He claimed not to be too disappointed while pointing a finger at Wawrinka, who slumped back in his chair looking every inch the junior partner in the relationship.

"I played well enough in doubles, but Stanislas not so much," Federer said, adding that Wawrinka "didn't have his best match in singles. It's a shame, because of that defeat we weren't able to put the U.S. under pressure."



Mardy Fish, right, celebrates with American teammate Mike Bryan, left, after they defeated Switzerland's Stanislas Wawrinka and Roger Federer in their doubles match at the Forum Arena in Fribourg, Switzerland, Saturday.

WOMEN'S SOCCER

Morgan's Two Late Tallies Rally U.S.

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FRISCO, Texas • Alex Morgan tied it in the 88th minute and added the winner just before the final whistle in stoppage time to give the U.S. women's soccer team a dramatic 2-1 victory over New Zealand on Saturday in a chilly exhibition game at FC Dallas Stadium.

In stoppage time with the temperate around freezing, Rachel Buehler delivered a cross from the left wing into the middle, where Abby Wambach headed it high in the air. Morgan got under it about 6 yards in front of the net and headed it off the right post and in for the winner.

Two weeks after winning the CONCACAF Olympic Qualifying tournament for the 2012 London Olympics with five straight victories by a combined score of 38-0, the U.S. dominated possession, but appeared headed for a stunning defeat before Morgan's late heroics.

Hannah Wilkinson scored for New Zealand in the 49th minute.

Morgan tied off a cross from Megan Rapinoe from the right flank. The pass found Morgan just off the left post, and her header initially appeared to go off the post before goalkeeper Jenny Bindon knocked it back into play, but Bindon was actually over the goal line.

Bindon was outstanding in the contest, making seven saves.

The U.S. outshot New Zealand 19-7 and held an overwhelming 9-1 edge in shots on goal, but New Zealand nearly pulled off the upset. It opened the scoring when Wilkin-



New Zealand's Amber Hearn (9) and the United States' Shannon Box (7) jump for a header during the first half of an international friendly soccer match in Frisco, Texas, on Saturday.

son pounced on a bad pass from American defender Kelly O'Hara.

Clearly, the U.S. women were impacted by the bitter cold conditions, with the game-time temperature 34 degrees, not counting the considerable wind chill index.



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Jose Barrera holds Alma Dulce his 2-year old Xoloitzcuintli during a Jan. 26, news news conference in New York. The Westminster Kennel Club introduced six new breeds in advance of this week's Westminster Dog Show.

Dogs Ready to Bow, Wow at Westminster

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NEW YORK • Standing at attention, or "stacked," as they say in the dog show world, Eira is the picture of wire fox terrier perfection.

A dense, white coat falls off her jaws. She's got alert eyes, a very still tail and plenty of ribbons to prove her pedigree.

And she's primed for America's most prestigious pooch parade, the 136th Westminster Kennel Club event, starting Monday at Madison Square Garden.

Handler Gabriel Rangel hopes so, anyway.

"Oh, she can misbehave," he said last weekend. "She likes to run into my knee, having fun."

She did that and more at Westminster last February — fine behavior when she's at home, playing on the California beaches, but not exactly what the judges want to see when picking a champion.

"It was a bit overwhelm-

ing for her. A lot of people around, a lot of things happening," Rangel said. "She'll be more used to it this time."

More than 2,000 of dogdom's finest will come in 185 breeds and varieties, coming from as far as Russia and China. The nearby Empire State Building will signal their arrival, changing its tower lighting from champion New York Giants blue to Westminster purple and gold.

There are prized terriers and poodles, plus an affenpinscher with a monkey face called Banana Joe. And there's a newcomer to the green carpet of the Garden, the xoloitzcuintli — commonly known as a Mexican hairless, pronounce it as "show-low-eats-QUEEN-tee" and sound like a pro.

On Tuesday night, with a crowd of elite fanciers such as Martha Stewart and everyday fans hollering for their favorites, judge Cindy Vogels will point to her pick as best in show.

Last year, a Scottish deerhound named Hickory earned the esteemed silver bowl. She also got to lead the pre-Westminster parade that recently attracted all that Manhattan attention.

"Oh, it changes your life," exclaimed her owner, Ceil Dove. "You never expect it. There's only one every year, and suddenly they choose you."

"Now, everywhere you go, someone asks, 'Is that her?'" she said.

Hickory's life is a little different these days, too. She took time off from chasing deer and rabbits on the Doves' farm in Flint Hill, Va., to have a litter of nine in October.

By show dog standards, her win was quite an upset. A true underdog, so to speak. This year, there are plenty of top contenders that may join the likes of previous popular winners such as Uno the beagle, Josh the Newfoundland and J.R. the bichon frise.

Lagat regains US indoor 5,000 record at Millrose

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NEW YORK • Bernard Lagat found a new way to make history at the Millrose Games, regaining his American record in the indoor 5,000 meters Saturday.

The 37-year-old Lagat has won a record eight titles in the meet's signature event, the Wanamaker Mile. This time, he raced the 5,000 to try to break the mark Galen Rupp set last year.

Lagat did so convincingly, winning in 13 minutes, 7.15 seconds to lower the stan-

dard by more than 4 seconds.

"We came here with one aim: to break the American record," he said. "I felt really strong coming in."

In second place, his training partner, Arizona's Lawi Lalang, shattered the college record, also held by Rupp.

Sanya Richards-Ross, a five-time world outdoor gold medalist, capped a wild week by winning the 400 in 50.89. She was in Indianapolis last Sunday to cheer on her husband, New York Giants cornerback Aaron

Ross. He had hoped to root for her at Millrose but was attending his grandfather's funeral in Texas on Saturday.

World champion Jenny Simpson held off Shannon Rowbury in the Wanamaker Women's Metric Mile in a show of strength for American middle distance running. Simpson won in 4:07.27 to beat Rowbury, the 2009 world bronze medalist, by 0.39 seconds.

Millrose moved uptown to the Armory this year after nearly a century at Madison Square Garden.



Just Bust A Move
First lady Michelle Obama dances the Platypus dance with Perry the Platypus of the Phineas and Ferb show, left, and choreographer Rosero McCoy, right, at the ESPN Wide World of Sports Complex at the Walt Disney World Resort, Saturday, in Orlando, Fla., during her three day national tour celebrating the second anniversary of Let's Move.

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Odds

Table with columns: FAVORITE, LINE, UNDERDOG. Lists odds for various sports events.

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SCHEDULE: TONIGHT'S BIG GAMES

On TV AUTO RACING
5 p.m. ESPN2 - NHRA, Winter-nationals, at Pomona, Calif. (same-day tape)

EXTREME SPORTS

1 p.m. NBC - Winter Dew Tour, Toyota Championships, at Snowbasin, Utah

8 a.m. GOLF

TGC - LPGA, Women's Australian Open, final round, at Black Rock, Australia (same-day tape)

11 a.m. TGC - PGA Tour, Pebble Beach National Pro-Am, final round, at Pebble Beach, Calif.

1 p.m. CBS - PGA Tour, Pebble Beach National Pro-Am, final round, at Pebble Beach, Calif.

5 p.m. TGC - Champions Tour, Allianz Championship, final round, at Boca Raton, Fla. (same-day tape)

MEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL

11 a.m. CBS - Illinois at Michigan
ESPN - St. John's at Georgetown
3:30 p.m. ROOT SPORTS NW - Washington at Oregon St.

NHL Standings

Table with columns: EASTERN, ATLANTIC, NORTH-EAST, SOUTH-EAST, CENTRAL, WESTERN. Shows win/loss records and points for various teams.

GOLF CHAMPIONS TOUR

ALLIANCE CHAMPIONSHIP
At The Old Course at Broken Sound
Boca Raton, Fla.
Yardage: 6,807 - Par: 72

ROOT SPORTS NW - Stanford at Southern Cal

NBA 1:30 p.m. ABC - Chicago at Boston

5 p.m. ESPN - Miami at Atlanta

7:30 p.m. ESPN, ROOT SPORTS NW - Utah at Memphis

NHL 10:30 a.m. NBC - Washington at N.Y. Rangers

NBCSN - Philadelphia at Detroit

12:30 p.m. NBCSN - Sevens, semifinal, teams TBD, at Las Vegas

2:30 p.m. NBC - Sevens, semifinal and championship match, teams TBD, at Las Vegas

WOMEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL

11 a.m. ROOT SPORTS NW - Kansas at Kansas St.

12:30 p.m. ESPN2 - Whiparound coverage, Marquette at DePaul, Miami at Maryland, Iowa St. at Texas Tech, and Arkansas at Auburn

1 p.m. ROOT SPORTS NW - UCLA at Stanford

3 p.m. ESPN2 - Whiparound coverage, St. John's at Rutgers, Florida at South Carolina, Purdue at Ohio St., and Wake Forest at NC State

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DUBAI WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP

King of Golf
At Emirates Golf Club
Dubai, United Arab Emirates
Yardage: 7,344 - Par: 72
Third Round
Lee Westwood, England 69-65-67-201

College Basketball MEN'S SCORES

Table with columns: TEAM, SCORE. Shows scores for various college basketball games.

World Group First Round

Winners to second round, April 6-8
U.S. 3, Switzerland 0
At Forum Fribourg, Fribourg, Switzerland
Surface: Clay-Indoor
Singles
Mardy Fish, U.S., def. Stanislas Wawrinka, Switzerland, 6-2, 4-6, 4-6, 6-1, 9-7.

Spain 3, Kazakhstan 0

At Palacio Municipal de los Deportes Oviedo, Spain
Surface: Clay-Indoor
Singles
Juan Carlos Ferrero, Spain, def. Mikhail Kukushkin, Kazakhstan, 6-1, 4-6, 7-6 (2), 4-6, 6-4.

France 1, Canada 1

At Thunderbird Sports Centre Vancouver, British Columbia
Surface: Hard-Indoor
Singles
Ivo Karlovic/Croatia, def. Filip Prpic, Sweden, 6-3, 6-4, 6-3.

USA 3, Argentina 3

At Stetech Arena Bamberg Bamberg, Germany
Surface: Clay-Indoor
Singles
Juan Monaco, Argentina, def. Philipp Petzschner, Germany, 6-3, 6-3, 6-3.

Ski Report Idaho

Bogus Basin - Sat 5:20 pm new packed powder machine groomed 44 - 52 base 23 of 66 trails 7 of 8 lifts, 81% open, Mon-Fri: 10a-4:30p; Sat/Sun: 9a-10p.

Transactions

HOCKEY NATIONAL Hockey League
BUFFALO SABRES-Recalled F Zack Kassian from Rochester (AHL). Loaned C Luke Adam and D T.J. Brodzinski to AHL.

Tennis DAVIS CUP RESULTS

USA 3, Argentina 3
At Stetech Arena Bamberg Bamberg, Germany
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BURLEY/RUPERT FORECAST

Today: Rain and snow showers today. High 42.

Tonight: More moisture overnight. Low 29.

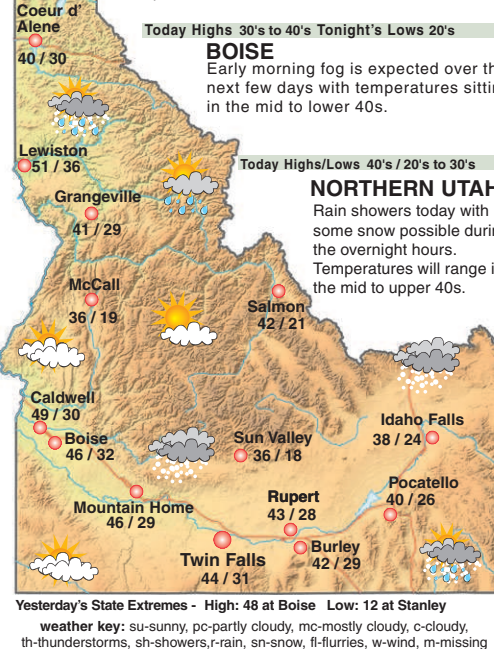
Tomorrow: Still wet, some rain, some snow. High 42.

ALMANAC - BURLEY

Table with 2 columns: Temperature and Precipitation. Includes Yesterday's High/Low, Normal High/Low, Record High/Low, and other weather statistics.

IDAHO'S FORECAST

SUN VALLEY, SURROUNDING MTS. Isolated and light snow showers are expected today, tonight, and over the next few days.



TWIN FALLS FIVE-DAY FORECAST

Five-day forecast table for Twin Falls with columns for Today, Tonight, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday, including weather icons and temperature ranges.

ALMANAC - TWIN FALLS

Almanac table for Twin Falls with columns for Temperature, Precipitation, Humidity, Barometric Pressure, and Sunrise and Sunset.

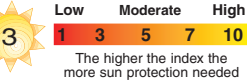
Moon Phases



Moonrise and Moonset

Table showing Moonrise and Moonset times for Today, Monday, and Tuesday.

Today's U. V. Index



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Regional forecast table listing cities like Boise, Coeur d'Alene, and Idaho Falls with their respective weather forecasts.

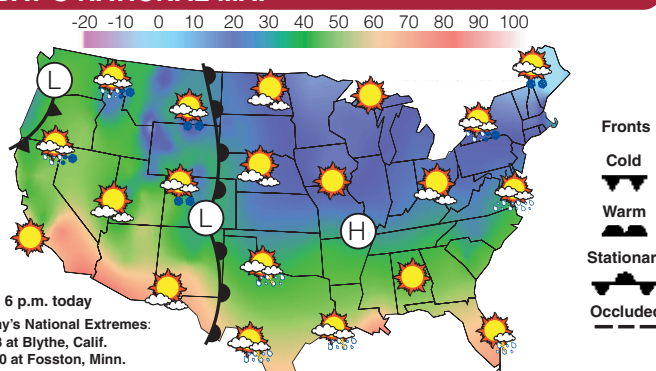
NATIONAL FORECAST

National forecast table listing major cities like Atlanta, Chicago, and New York with their respective weather forecasts.

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World forecast table listing international cities like Moscow, Paris, and Tokyo with their respective weather forecasts.

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MLB

Spring Training Starts With Sluggers in New Places

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Tim Lincecum thought about the seismic shifts of baseball's offseason, the ones that saw Albert Pujols and Prince Fielder migrate to the American League.

"I think it's great," San Francisco's two-time Cy Young Award winner joked. "I won't have to pitch to them anymore."

Just 106 days after the surprising St. Louis Cardinals won the World Series, baseball returns this weekend when pitchers and catchers for the Seattle Mariners report to spring training in Peoria, Ariz.

There's been a whole lot of change since the Texas Rangers' David Murphy flied out to Allen Craig for the final out of the seven-game Series thriller.

Tony La Russa is gone. Bobby Valentine is back.

And no switch was bigger than Pujols' decision to split St. Louis for a \$240 million, 10-year contract with the

Los Angeles Angels. Add Fielder's move from Milwaukee for a \$214 million, nine-year deal with Detroit, and the lives of AL pitchers just got 75 homers and 219 RBIs tougher.

"You have offenses that are going to let you know if your pitching is not up to par," Angels manager Mike Scioscia said. "There's certainly been a way to some extraordinarily deep lineups in the American League."

The 14 AL teams have spent \$776.8 million on major league contracts for players who became free agents after the World Series and the NL's 16 clubs have committed \$597.3 million. That NL lineup looks a lot less fearsome heading into the All-Star game at Kansas City's Kauffman Stadium on July 10.

And despite a 71-91 record last year, even the Royals are hopeful before the first pitch has been thrown — even with the AL's new additions.

"They make it more excit-

ing and more challenging for all of us," general manager Dayton Moore said. "I'm a fan, too, and like watching them play. It's exciting."

Seattle is first to open because the Mariners start the season in Tokyo with a two-game series against Oakland on March 28-29.

"We have to make decisions a little bit earlier because we have to have a club together when we go there, and then you come back and readjust and then have a week of spring training for everyone to get their bearings back," Mariners GM Jack Zduriencik said. "It's almost like going away to football camp in high school."

The cost-conscious Athletics, who dealt All-Stars Gio Gonzalez and Andrew Bailey and starter Trevor Cahill, opted not to use the extra week.

Other teams start reporting Feb. 18 ahead of the stateside opener, which features the Cardinals at the re-named and now rainbow-

colored Miami Marlins on April 4 in the first official game at \$515 million Marlins Park. The Fish were among the offseason's big spenders, reeling in All-Stars Jose Reyes, Mark Buehrle and Heath Bell for a combined \$191 million while failing to hook Pujols.

While the Marlins and Angels stocked up, with Los Angeles spending a combined \$317.5 million on Pujols and left-hander C.J. Wilson, the New York Yankees and Boston Red Sox acted like small-market savers. Perhaps it was the lack of star starting pitchers on the free-agent market. Or maybe it was the new labor contract, announced in November, that adds incentives in coming years for reigning in the urge to splurge.

No such issues for the Los Angeles Dodgers and New York Mets, big-market teams tumbling from turmoil. Put in bankruptcy by owner Frank McCourt last summer, the Dodgers are to



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The signing of Albert Pujols in the offseason by the Los Angeles Angels was the biggest acquisition made by any team since the 2011 season ended and Pujols' Cardinals won the World Series.

be sold by April 30 for what figures to be the biggest price in baseball history. While waiting, the Dodgers didn't lure any splashy stars to Hollywood's bright lights.

Coming off three straight losing seasons, the Mets have cut the dimensions of Citi Field along with their payroll, from \$120 million at the start of last season to about \$95 mil-

lion. This while the Wilpon-Katz family that owns the team prepares for a March trial where the trustee for victims of the Bernard Madoff Ponzi scheme will seek to recover \$386 million for investors. On the field, New York has downgraded from Gucci-level free agents to Gap-priced players such as Frank Francisco and Jon Rauch.

First Black NBA Player Gets Honor at Hawks Game

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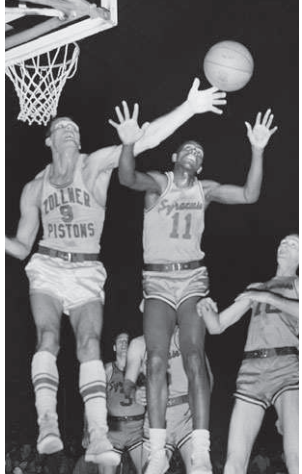
ATLANTA • Earl Lloyd remembers when he suited up for the Washington Capitols more than 60 years ago as the first black to play in an NBA game and wondering if he would make a good enough impression to stick around.

Lloyd and the Capitols lost the game. But he played well enough to earn a roster spot and break the color barrier in a league that had only three black players in 1950 and now features the highest percentage of African-American athletes in any of the major professional leagues.

"Before the game, I was terrified," recalled Lloyd, who scored six points and grabbed 10 rebounds for the Capitols in a 78-70 loss to the Rochester Royals on Oct. 31, 1950. "I had a fear of disappointing the people who depended on me. Luckily, letting people down was not a part of my DNA.

"I'm glad I was part of something that helped pave the way for others."

Now, as part of Black History Month, the 83-year-old Hall of Famer will be hon-



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In this 1955 photo, Ft. Wayne's Mel Hutchins (9) and Syracuse's Earl Lloyd (11) stretch for a ball in an NBA basketball playoff game in Indianapolis. Lloyd was the first black to play in an NBA game.

ored for his breakthrough at halftime of the Atlanta Hawks-Miami Heat game today. The former West Virginia State standout along with six other African-Americans will be recognized at all Hawks home games this month.

"I'm blessed to still have my health," said Lloyd, who also became the Detroit Pistons first black coach in 1971. "I know that there are a lot of people who didn't make it to 61 years of age. So for me to be around this long and still get some recognition."

Since Lloyd made history, the NBA has increased its number of black players to 78 percent, according to the league's racial and gender report last year. About 83 percent of the players in the league are people of color.

These days, Lloyd said some of his favorite players to watch are LeBron James and Dwyane Wade of the Heat. He personally met James a couple years ago, but

has yet to meet Wade.

"They might be too busy with the game to come and see me," he said with a chuckle. "I've met LeBron before but hopefully if Dwyane slows down for a moment and decides to give me a high five, I'll be sure to return the favor."

Lloyd, who was drafted in the seventh round, was one of three blacks to play in the NBA in 1950. His debut was a couple of days before two other African-Americans who helped integrate the NBA — Chuck Cooper of the Boston Celtics, the first black draftee; and Nat Clifton of the New York Knicks, the first black to sign a league contract.

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Moving Story, Elkhart, Ind.

ANSWER: The danger with a two-heart call is that it is hard to know how to stay out of game after you make that bid. Your partner will assume you have a slightly better hand than you do (though the action is far from unreasonable). Since passing seems too pessimistic, I'd raise to three clubs and hope partner can explore for three no-trump with a nonminimum. On this action he'd show stoppers, not ask for them.

Dear Mr. Wolff:
My partner and I play inverted minors. We have agreed that to raise clubs, responder needs five, but only four diamonds to raise that suit. We handle diamonds this way because the odds of a three-card diamond opening seem to be quite low. Exactly what are the odds of opening with only three diamonds, and do you agree with our scheme of responses?
Fiddling in a Minor Key, San Francisco, Calif.

ANSWER: Yes, I agree with your approach. I believe there's a 95 percent likelihood that a one-diamond opening will show four or more cards. Additionally, since I have a natural and nonforcing response of two no-trump available, I can always make this call with a completely balanced hand and four-card support, trying to get to no-trump whenever each of us has a balanced hand.

Dear Mr. Wolff:
At my duplicate club I'm never sure when to ask questions, if at all. The two situations that concern me are when I know what my opponents are playing and my partner does not, and when I don't believe that the answer to the question will affect my call.
Grill-Master, Augusta, Ga.

ANSWER: You should always feel comfortable in asking questions when intending to bid, even if you think you know what is going on. Also, if your opponents' methods are unusual and you believe they should have been explained, you can clarify for your partner's benefit. (After all, you might be wrong about what the bids mean!) Personally, I don't ask till the auction is over if I do not intend to bid, whatever the explanation.

Dear Mr. Wolff:
In a recent Aces column, your partner had opened one club and you responded one spade. The next hand overcalled three diamonds and your partner bid four diamonds. You now suggested that with ♠ Q-J-9-8-3, ♥ K-3-2, ♦ 10-6, ♣ K-10-7, you should use Keycard Blackwood. How can you use Keycard if you don't know whether the trump suit should be spades or clubs?
Unsuitable, Miami, Fla.

ANSWER: Four diamonds was a control bid agreeing spades. So spades are trump and four no-trump is Keycard for spades. I don't think your partner could ever set clubs via this four-diamond cue-bid (though you yourself could suggest clubs at the six-level).

Dear Mr. Wolff:
What are the rules about dummy acting during the hand to prevent an infraction? Are the rules the same for leads from the wrong hand and for revokes? What if nobody spots the infraction at the table?
Rules for Dummies, North Bay, Ontario

ANSWER: Dummy can point out to declarer which hand he is in and whether he won or lost the last trick. And he can check whether his partner has revoked. But, in midhand, he can't ask the opponents if they revoked. However, when an infraction has occurred and been agreed on, dummy may call the director. And at the end of the deal he can also call the director to establish if an infraction has occurred.

For details of Bobby Wolff's autobiography, "The Lone Wolf," contact kay19072@aol.com. If you would like to contact Bobby Wolff, email him at bobbywolff@mindspring.com.
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In 1973, Operation Homecoming began as the first release of American prisoners of war from the Vietnam conflict took place.
In 1999, the Senate voted to acquit President Bill Clinton of perjury and obstruction of justice.

Ten years ago: Former Enron chairman Kenneth Lay expressed "profound sadness" about the collapse of the energy giant, but refused to testify at a Senate hearing. Former Yugoslav president Slobodan Milosevic went on trial in The Hague, accused of war crimes (he died in 2006 before the trial could conclude). Pakistan charged three men in connection with the kidnapping of Wall Street Journal reporter Daniel Pearl in Karachi (they and a fourth man were later convicted of Pearl's murder). An Iranian passenger jet crashed, killing all 119 on board. "The Lord of the Rings: The Fellowship of the Ring" received 13 Academy Award nominations; tied for second with eight nods were "A Beautiful Mind" and "Moulin Rouge!"

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\$30,000 Minimum Bid
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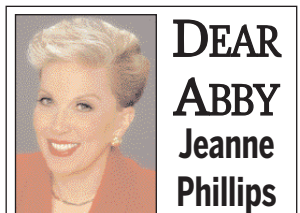
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DEAR ABBY: My boss, "Ms. M.," knows her stuff. She's supportive, flexible and communicates well about what's happening within the organization. However, she spends most of her time in my cubicle. She'll start out in her office and, 15 minutes later, slide into my cubicle to show me her kids' latest photos or insist my colleagues and I watch YouTube videos of her favorite entertainers.



DEAR ABBY
Jeanne Phillips

This happens continually throughout the day. I have to work from home in the evenings to get anything done. I have actually used vacation time so I could finish a project without Ms. M.'s constant interruptions. I thought it was just me until I got sick last year and was out for several days. I got "hate" email from my colleagues because the boss was spending all her time in THEIR cubicles!

Meanwhile, contracts don't get finalized, deadlines are missed, phone calls go unanswered and complaints pile up. When she gets heat from higher-ups, she'll work on the weekend to make things right. Then on Monday morning she'll call a staff meeting that lasts over an hour, and we must listen to her sour complaints and more YouTube videos from the weekend. It's maddening.

Ms. M. is like a female Nero fiddling while the department burns. I want to do my job during working hours. Any suggestions?

— TREADING WATER IN OHIO
DEAR TREADING WATER: I do have one. Because there is safety in numbers, everyone in the department who is affected by this problem should discuss it as a group with Ms. M.'s supervisor or boss. It appears Ms. M. is confusing her working relationships with those that are personal.

DEAR ABBY: Five years ago, while substitute teaching, I met a man who was also a substitute teacher. We would often have lunch together in the school cafeteria. "Lou" told me he had been living with a woman, "Meg," for 12 years, but that she had begun developing Alzheimer's disease. Her sons planned on moving them into an assisted living facility.

Several months ago, Lou called and asked to take me to lunch. At lunch he said he is still living with Meg, but plans to move into a place of his own soon. He said he'd like to start seeing me on a regular basis. He gave me his home phone number, but said that if Meg answers, I should tell her it's the school calling him about a job.

I told him I'm not interested in seeing him until he is actually living on his own, but he keeps calling to get me to change my mind. My children and my friends tell me it would not be wrong to start seeing Lou because he's no longer actively involved with the woman. What's the right thing to do?

— LOOKING FOR ANSWERS IN FLA.
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HOROSCOPE

Jeraldine Saunders

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Change your thoughts and you can change your world. You have a powerhouse of energy at your command in the week ahead. You should not let business interfere with your key romantic relationships.
TAURUS (April 20-May 20): The more you share, the more you have. Generous Jupiter will be in your sign long enough to teach you that charity begins at home. Your closest companions may be highly competitive in the week to come.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): The media has a message. All the Valentine's Day advertisements might remind you to be a bit kinder and more appreciative of someone special in your life. Get in tune with the trends this week.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Unless you chart a path into the unknown, you will never discover the known. In the week ahead, you should not hesitate to explore uncharted waters; you could find something that answers your prayers.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Experience is not what happens to you, but what you do with what happens to you. In the upcoming week, perform acts of kindness and enjoy tranquility by taking steps to ensure you don't repeat past mistakes.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): An ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure. Even generosity has its limits. In the week ahead, apply plenty of elbow grease to pet projects and focus on your ambitions but don't spend needlessly.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Mind your own business. You can't solve problems for someone whose problem is that they don't want problems solved. In the week ahead, it is best to concentrate on getting your own projects completed.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Do what you can with what you've got. You have ample energy to complete any major undertaking. Pursuing a creative dream or passion in the week ahead could have an invisible string attached.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Happiness adds and multiplies as you divide it with others. In the week to come, don't forget that Valentine's Day gives you an ideal opportunity to share love; do something nice for someone else.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): The way not to fail is to determine to succeed. Use focused energy to accomplish much in the week ahead. Valentine's Day sentiments will remind you there is more than money at stake.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Spend wisely. Every day you have a choice on what to do with your time. Getting exactly what you want could have a large price tag. In the week ahead, be sure that what you want is worth the effort.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): You sometimes see things not as they are, but as you wish they would be. In the upcoming week, it is fine to be romantic, but you should not romanticize a situation if facts don't stand up to scrutiny.

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ACROSS

- 1 Involuntary jerk
- 6 Put into words
- 11 Amazon.com ID
- 15 Educational TV spots, perhaps
- 19 Fail to recycle
- 20 Unappealing music
- 21 Politician's pursuit
- 22 World-weary words
- 23 "Listen up, Madrid!?"
- 26 You might draw one on a target
- 27 Forest sticker
- 28 Banjo parts
- 29 Corner-office occupant
- 30 Last Olds
- 31 Capable of spontaneous movement, as cells
- 33 Washington figure
- 35 "Let yourself in!"
- 37 "... and that's why I ate all of your favorite cookies," e.g.?
- 42 "Give ___ rest!"
- 43 Arranges logically
- 46 Dirt clump
- 47 Dairy case choice
- 48 Concordes, familiarly
- 49 Bleachers level
- 50 Cinema name
- 52 Give the boot to
- 53 NYC gallery district
- 54 Certain alphabet opener
- 55 Whither Cain fled
- 56 A whole lot
- 58 "I don't get it"
- 59 Decide with money
- 62 Murmur
- 63 At a minimum
- 66 Five-spot
- 67 Put Armor All on tires?
- 71 Color TV pioneer
- 72 More-than-one-hit Wonder
- 74 Maestro's gift
- 75 Fair-haired
- 77 Cacophony
- 78 Put one's feet up
- 81 Carefree, in Calais
- 82 Rip asunder
- 83 Dirty Harry's org.
- 84 Mount rising above the Vale of Tempe
- 85 Sailing hailings
- 87 Native Canadian
- 88 Toon collectibles
- 89 Castaway's confines
- 90 Vocal style that mimics an instrumental solo
- 91 Had office hours

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- 92 Metal in Montana's motto
- 93 Hold a surprise party for Scorsese?
- 97 Topiarist's tools
- 99 Grant-providing org.
- 100 Over-embellished
- 103 D.A.'s research aides
- 104 Take the show on the road
- 107 Dork
- 109 Travelers' options: Abbr.
- 111 Elevator innovator
- 112 "My stocks are going down! My stocks are going down!?"
- 116 "... we forget ..."
- 117 "High Hopes" lyricist
- 118 Lingerin look
- 119 Make the grade
- 120 Pasty-faced
- 121 Green-egg layers
- 122 Autumn bloom
- 123 Carpet layers work on them
- DOWN**
- 1 Forensic evidence collector
- 2 Ryan's daughter
- 3 Former Colt .45
- 4 Directions detail: Abbr.
- 5 Court shoes, casually
- 6 Org. with "Trick-or-Treat" donation boxes
- 7 Appropriated
- 8 Altoids containers
- 9 Versatile Scrabble tile
- 10 Agent
- 11 "There ___ 'I' in 'team'"
- 12 Tres y tres
- 13 Baby baskets
- 14 Unknown power
- 15 Poet Neruda
- 16 Embarrassed flock managers?
- 17 Almond-flavored liqueur
- 18 Kia minivans
- 24 Don't hold in
- 25 Good at one's job
- 30 Enzyme suffix
- 32 Feature of some Mary Janes
- 33 LP player
- 34 Like an extra sock
- 36 Qing Dynasty general of culinary fame
- 38 Stranded at O'Hare, perhaps
- 39 ___-mo replay
- 40 Exceed an infraction limit, in basketball
- 41 Ultimatum ending
- 43 Provides
- 44 Like some retro lamps
- 45 Display that's both tasteful and ostentatious?
- 48 R&B-influenced genre
- 50 How actors should appear
- 51 It's opened and shut
- 52 Dumpster emanation
- 53 Sandcastle spot
- 57 Fall colour
- 60 In ___: up the creek
- 61 Ratings giver
- 63 Classic pops
- 64 When, in Act II, Macbeth soliloquizes, "Is this a dagger ..."
- 65 Turn blue?
- 68 Room at the hacienda
- 69 Colombian capital
- 70 Bronx-Manhattan st.
- 73 Limo riders, often
- 76 Mysterious matters
- 78 Faded in the stretch
- 79 Peace Prize city
- 80 Vladimir's villa
- 83 Notches
- 86 Not-so-subtle performer
- 88 "Lost in Translation" director Sofia
- 89 Syr. neighbor
- 90 San Diego-to-Tijuana dir.
- 91 Recoup at the casino
- 93 DDE rival
- 94 Calvary letters
- 95 Ebert's cohort
- 96 Charlie Brown's kite eater
- 98 Far from friendly
- 101 Said too often
- 102 "Rubber Duckie" Muppet
- 105 Hanauma Bay site
- 106 Caterer's carriers
- 107 "Curses!"
- 108 "If wishes ___ horses ..."
- 110 Capt. saluters
- 112 Abbr. in old dates
- 113 Issuer of nine-digit nos.
- 114 Cleveland___, OH
- 115 Winery vessel

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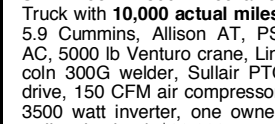
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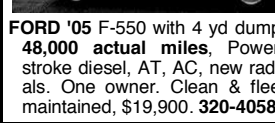
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DATA FROM THE FIELD

Among the Magic Valley farmers using new technology is this Castleford man, who wrote the code for tracking feed rations on his BlackBerry.

BY NATALIE DICOU
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CASTLEFORD • Five years ago, cell phone service was sketchy at best on Mike Bulkeley's farm in Castleford. Today, he's rarely seen without his BlackBerry.

Whether he's zipping around on a four-wheeler or feeding heifers, he's got his cell phone handy. He checks the latest grain prices throughout the day and keeps an eye on weather reports.

"I don't have much time to spend in the office, so this kind of becomes my office," said Bulkeley, holding up his phone.

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Write computer code? 'I had to study it and do it because I knew this would be valuable to me,' Castleford farmer Mike Bulkeley says.

Pen Pal Sisters

An intercontinental correspondence started decades ago blossomed into a second-generation friendship for this Twin Falls woman.



MCKAYLA HAACK • FOR THE TIMES-NEWS

Bette Jennings-Krepcik, left, and Kati Soila Smith look at albums together last weekend at Jennings-Krepcik's Twin Falls home.

BY MCKAYLA HAACK
For the Times-News

TWIN FALLS • Enjoying a relationship that began with a single international letter in 1948, Bette Jennings-Krepcik and Kati Soila Smith sat together last Sunday at Jennings-Krepcik's Twin Falls home to share more than 60 years of letters, photos and memories.

Jennings-Krepcik began writing to Uma Soila, Smith's mother, as a fourth-grade project. Soila lived in Helsinki, Finland, and Jennings-Krepcik in Oregon. The girls continued their letters and built a relationship, growing up together through the mail.

"We just really shared so much through letters that we became like sisters," Jennings-Krepcik said. She said the letters figuratively saved her life as a kid when her parents were going through a divorce. The girls told each other things that they never told their parents and relatives.

In 1959, Soila came to the U.S. for a year of college and the two girls met after nine years of wondering whether they'd ever see each other. Soila then went to live with Jennings-Krepcik that summer. Now — after many more meetings, letters and emails — the families are so close that Smith calls Jennings-Krepcik "Bet-mom." Smith joined the tradition and wrote letters to her American mom over the years, too, and spent a summer living with Jennings-Krepcik in 1980.

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Guest instructor and black belt Justin Greene, bottom, instructs Robby Lopez on sweeps as Japanese Jujitsu Club members meet Tuesday at College of Southern Idaho. The new club is open to the public, not just students.

Attacker, Beware

Martial arts enthusiast Dana Jacob plans to spread her passion for self defense through a new club.

BY NATALIE DICOU
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TWIN FALLS • A thief better think long and hard before trying to steal Dana Jacob's purse.

The College of Southern Idaho student will throw an attacker on his backside before he knows what's what.

Jacob, 19, of Jerome, hopes to spread those basic self-defense skills across Magic Valley by offering martial arts training through her new Japanese Jujitsu Club, which meets twice a week at the CSI Gym.

The club's age requirements: "anyone from 3 to one foot in the grave," said jujitsu instructor Caleb Shepard, who leads the free classes.

It hasn't been easy establishing the CSI club over the past year, but Jacob was determined. Recently, she met all the college's requirements: recruiting a CPR- and first aid-certified jujitsu instructor, finding a faculty adviser, obtaining insurance, and the list goes on.

Jacob smiled when asked how it feels to see the club up and running. About 20 people showed up Tuesday night to learn to fend off an attack.

"I'm actually quite surprised because at first there wasn't many people interested," said the surgical technolo-

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Brown belt and College of Southern Idaho student Dana Jacob, 19, right, watches as guest instructors teach techniques to Japanese Jujitsu Club members.

gy major who hung posters around campus to spread the word.

Jacob has been involved in martial arts since age 11.

"It helps people get motivated," the club president said. "It's a good exercise source, and it also raises your confidence level quite substantially. When self-defense moves.

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Give It a Try

The College of Southern Idaho's Japanese Jujitsu Club meets from 8 to 10 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays at the CSI Gym. It's free, and all ages are invited to attend and learn self-defense moves.

Love Gone Wrong? Go Digital to Get Over an Ex

BY LEANNE ITALIE
Associated Press

You thought you found your one true love online, but now you've been dumped by text or defriended on Facebook without a peep of explanation. Hours of bad TV in your bathrobe haven't helped. Your friends are tired of your whining.

Forget a pampering makeover to help heal your broken heart this Valentine's Day. Go for a "digital breakover" instead, using a growing number of tech tools to save you from yourself or to sob on a safe shoulder in the ether.

Online dating sites and apps for hooking up on the go are abundant. Only one of the Apple app store's recent top 12 downloads for the iPhone was about something other than romantic love, but breakup tech hasn't kept pace.

Melissa McGlone, 46, in Alexandria, Va., turned to The Ex-App after a three-year relationship ended recently with an unceremonious text. After a weak moment or three of electronically stalking her dumper, she used the text, call and email blocker to hold his digits at bay until she could resist temptation on her own.

"I no longer humiliate myself by trying to contact him," said McGlone, a divorced mother who was 18 years out of the dating scene when the last first met.

The free app took off last March with about 3,000 downloads in the first nine months. Unlike other blocking tools, The Ex-App also tracks the number of consecutive days spent *not* trying to ferret out a former love.

In New York, 28-year-old Amanda Green relied on the

Please see **DIGITAL, P6**

University Celebrates Antediluvian Words

BY CASSANDRA SPRATLING

Detroit Free Press

Word up!

Some words have fallen out of popular use, but shouldn't have.

So says Wayne State University, which recently released its fourth annual list of "remarkably useful and expressive words that deserve more chances to enrich our language."

Irvin D. Reid, the dean of the Honors College, says, "By bringing these words back into conversation, we expand our ability to communicate clearly and help make our world a more interesting place."

The list has its fans.

"For those who appreciate language, there is a real thrill in discovering — or re-discovering — new words, especially in your own tongue," says journalist Jack Lessenberry, who teaches at Wayne State.

If you don't like the list,

you can recommend other words on the "Word Warriors" Facebook site or at www.wordwarriors.wayne.edu.

Meanwhile, here's the list — with usage examples.

Antediluvian: Antiquated; old-fashioned; out of date. Literally "before the flood," referring to the Biblical deluge. "This company's vacation policy is positively antediluvian, so I'm giving you three weeks off this year."

Erstwhile: Former; by-gone. Rampantly misused. "Roger had reasons to suspect that Rachel, his erstwhile lover, had hacked into his e-mail."

Execrable: Atrocious; wretched; abominable. "Alice may have a PhD, but her spelling is execrable."

Frisson: Thanks to French for this word meaning that sudden, involuntary shiver we may feel at times of great emotion. "Albert knew he'd be glad to see Victoria, but he wasn't

expecting a powerful frisson of pleasure when he took her hand."

Parlous: Dangerous or risky. Variant of Middle English "perilous." "Prospects for Yazoo City grew increasingly parlous as the Mississippi's record flood rolled southward."

Penultimate: Next to last. "Everyone's heard of the Last Supper, but the Penultimate Supper has been largely forgotten."

Sisyphian: Actually or apparently endless and futile. After Sisyphus, doomed by the gods to roll a stone uphill, only to have it always roll back down. "Washington endured a Sisyphian nightmare of whipping raw recruits into shape, only to see them melt away when their one-year enlistments expired." (Ron Chernow, "Washington")

Supercilious: Contemptuous; disdainful; condescending. "I knew I was about to go into the tank so-

cially when I noticed the supercilious way she was looking at my red shoes."

Transmogrify: To change completely, usually grotesquely, in appearance or form. "So Gregor drifted off to sleep, never dreaming he was in a Kafka story and would transmogrify into a hideous insect overnight."

Truckle: Submit obsequiously; be subservient; kowtow. "When I'm in the presence of a powerful person, my own concept of equality gets blurry and I have a regrettable tendency to truckle, if only to be polite." (Ian Frazier, "Travels in Siberia")

Lessenberry says of the list: "You may call me antediluvian, and many of my erstwhile students do, but I think these words should send a frisson of joy along your spine. Reviving them may be a Sisyphian task, but not to do so would be to truckle to the supercilious and execrable cult of transitory fashion."

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Amaiah Renee Pedraza-Zamudio, daughter of Cipriana Guadalupe Pedraza of Twin Falls, was born Jan. 25, 2012.

Morgan Hyrum Whitten, son of Kaylene Marie and Michael Monroe Whitten of Kimberly, was born Jan. 31, 2012.

Hadlee Claire Jackson, daughter of Stephanie Ann and Justin Jay Jackson of Twin Falls, was born Feb. 1, 2012.

Sophia Shyann Strickland, daughter of Lisa Ann and Calvin Leroy Strickland of Jerome, was born Feb. 1, 2012.

Wyatt Wayne Lint, son of Sarah Michele and Aaron Matthew Lint of Buhl, was born Feb. 2, 2012.

Beau Robert Ware, son of Monica Lee and Trevor Raymond Ware of Twin Falls, was born Feb. 2, 2012.

Daniel Peyton Buschhorn, son of Khrista Michelle and Erich James Buschhorn of Hazelton, was born Feb. 4, 2012.

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Monday: Barbecue pork sandwich

Tuesday: Glazed ham

Wednesday: Swiss steak

Thursday: Lemon peppered fish

Friday: Chicken and dumplings

Monday: Quilting, 9 a.m. to noon

Fit and Fall Proof exercise, 10:30 a.m.

Bridge, 1 p.m.

Foot clinic, 1 p.m.

Tai chi, 1 p.m.

Tuesday: AARP Tax preparation, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. by appointment

Ticket Tuesday, 11:45 a.m.

Painting class, 6 p.m.

Pinochle, 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday: Cinnamon and sweet rolls sales, 8:30 a.m. to noon

Quilting, 9 a.m. to noon

Fit and Fall Proof, 10:30 a.m.

Gem State Fiddlers, 11:30 a.m. to 12:20 p.m.

Duplicate bridge, 1 p.m.

Board meeting, 1 p.m.

Pinochle, 7 p.m.

Thursday: AARP Tax preparation, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. by appointment

Pinochle, 1 p.m.

Painting classes, 3 and 6 p.m.

Friday: Quilting, 9 a.m. to noon

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., pork roast

Monday: Chicken noodle soup

Tuesday: Sliced ham

Wednesday: Potato bar

Thursday: Chicken pot pie

Monday: SilverSneakers exercise program, 10:30 a.m.

Tuesday: Quilting, 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Blood pressure checks, 11:45 a.m.

Wednesday: Foot clinic, 9 a.m. to noon

SilverSneakers, 10:30 a.m.



Lois Hansen, 65, of Jerome takes her turn on hole seven at Clear Lake Country Club on a recent Sunday while her husband, Nick Hansen, watches.

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.

Filer Senior Haven

222 Main St., Filer. Lunch at noon Tuesday through Thursday. Suggested donation: \$5. 326-4608.

Tuesday: Pig in a blanket

Wednesday: Marsala chicken over rice

Thursday: Chicken fried steak

Monday: Bingo, 6:30 p.m.

Tuesday: Puzzles and games, 11:30 a.m.

Food bank distribution, 12:45 p.m.

Wednesday: Puzzles and games, 11:30 a.m.

Thursday: Fiddlers, 11 a.m. and 12:30 p.m.

Bingo, 1 p.m.

Cards, 1:30 p.m.

Friday: Pinochle, 7 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: Macaroni and cheese

Tuesday: Haystacks

Wednesday: Fish

Thursday: Roast turkey

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.

Pinochle, 1:30 p.m., Shoshone at Gooding

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.

Music by the Fiddlers

Pinochle, 7 p.m.

Friday: Duplicate bridge, 1 p.m.

Monday: SilverSneakers exercise, 10:30 a.m. and 5:20 p.m.

Bridge, 12:30 p.m.

Bunco, 12:45 p.m.

Self-management class, 1 to 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, 1 p.m.

Snack bar, 5 p.m.

Bingo, 6:45 p.m.

Wednesday: Breakfast, 8-10 a.m.

Country Cowboys band

SilverSneakers, 10:30 a.m.

Stitch 'n time, 1 p.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.

Pinochle, 1 p.m.

SilverSneakers, 5:20 p.m.

Women's pool, 7 p.m.

Friday: SilverSneakers, 10:30 a.m.

Pinochle, 1 p.m.

Saturday: Breakfast fundraiser, 8-10 a.m.; \$5

Monday: Baked chicken

Wednesday: Swiss steak

Friday: Shrimp fettuccini

Wednesday: Blood draws, 8:30-10:30 a.m.

Thursday: Foot clinic; bring a towel; \$5; must have appointment

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: Baked chicken

Wednesday: Swiss steak

Friday: Shrimp fettuccini

Monday: Barbecue hamburger

Tuesday: Chicken salad casserole

Wednesday: Porcupine meatballs over potatoes

Thursday: Roast beef

Friday: Beef enchiladas

Monday: SilverSneakers exercise, 10:30 a.m. and 5:20 p.m.

Bridge, 12:30 p.m.

Bunco, 12:45 p.m.

Self-management class, 1 to 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, 1 p.m.

Snack bar, 5 p.m.

Bingo, 6:45 p.m.

Wednesday: Breakfast, 8-10 a.m.

Country Cowboys band

SilverSneakers, 10:30 a.m.

Stitch 'n time, 1 p.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.

Pinochle, 1 p.m.

SilverSneakers, 5:20 p.m.

Women's pool, 7 p.m.

Friday: SilverSneakers, 10:30 a.m.

Pinochle, 1 p.m.

Saturday: Breakfast fundraiser, 8-10 a.m.; \$5

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Richfield Senior Center

130 S. Main, Richfield.

Lunch at noon. Suggested donation: \$4, seniors; \$5.50, under 60.

Monday: Liver and onions

Thursday: Grilled cheese

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: Meat pizza

Wednesday: Turkey sandwich

Friday: Baked potato bar

Monday: Quilting, 10 a.m.

Tuesday: Board meeting, 10:30 a.m.

Pinochle with Gooding, 1:30 p.m.

Bingo

Wednesday: Black-out bingo, 12:30 p.m.

Friday: Pinochle, 1 p.m.

Bingo

Saturday: Pancake breakfast

Monday: Quilting, 10 a.m.

Tuesday: Board meeting, 10:30 a.m.

Pinochle with Gooding, 1:30 p.m.

Bingo

Wednesday: Black-out bingo, 12:30 p.m.

Friday: Pinochle, 1 p.m.

Bingo

Saturday: Pancake breakfast

Camas County Senior Center

127 Willow Ave. W., Fairfield.

Lunch at noon. Suggested donation: \$4, seniors 60 and older; \$2.50, children 10 and younger. 764-2226.

Tuesday: Roast beef

A Boom in Smarter Monitors

BY DEBORAH NETBURN
Los Angeles Times

The cry has been heard: After 20 years with little change to baby monitoring devices, new designs premiered in January at the Consumer Electronics Show promising Wi-Fi connectivity and high-definition video that streams live to a smartphone.

Some new monitors will have two-way audio, allowing parents to whisper comforting words in their baby's ear without stepping foot in the room. Other monitors will text messages when a baby starts to cry, and still others will allow parents to shift the camera's view up, down and around the room remotely, using an iPad.

The next generation of technology represents a leap from most of today's monitors, which consist of a radio transmitter equipped with a microphone in the baby's room, and a receiver in another room, often no more than 1,000 feet away. When the baby stirs, or coos, or cries, mom and dad can hear and decide whether to intervene.

Baby monitor makers such as Graco, Fisher-Price, Sony and Samsung have made modest attempts to jazz up their monitors over the years: Baby cams, which allow parents to see video from the crib, entered the market in



(LEFT) The iBaby Monitor for iPod touch, iPhone and iPad — comprised of a free-standing or wall-mountable camera and companion iBaby App. (RIGHT) The Withings Smart Baby Monitor. Users can move about the room, or zoom in with the wide-angle lens and still get a clear image.

1993 and have since improved image quality. Even basic audio monitors now come with extras to make them more appealing. Some glow in the dark or give the temperature of the baby's room.

But given a rapidly changing technological environment, plus a parenting culture that's obsessed with safety and seemingly undeterred by price, people in the tech industry said baby monitors have long been overdue for a makeover.

"It's been surprising that it has taken so long for the major players in the industry like Sony and Samsung to catch up and push the boundaries of baby moni-

tors," said James Hunt, marketing manager for a new monitor called BabyPing. "It's a market that is crying out for it, so to speak."

Babies R Us expanded its baby monitor display this fall to accommodate new entries on the market.

"While traditional audio monitors continue to sell well at Babies R Us, we've seen an increased consumer interest in monitors featuring high-tech options such as touch screens," said Adrienne O'Hara, a spokeswoman for the company.

Many of the new monitors are designed to help parents check in with their baby, even when they are away

from home.

"More and more, both parents are part of a mobile work force, and we felt there was a demand for a product that would allow a mother, father or caregiver to see the baby — not just hear the baby — at any given time, wherever you are in the world," said Adam Lin, senior vice president and general manager at iHealth, a tech company specializing in health and wellness that launched the iBaby monitor in October.

Like many of the new monitors on the market, the iBaby is designed to work with an iOS device. Parents can use their iPhone and iPad to watch their baby

whenever they want, and from wherever they are. They can also snap pictures of their sleeping baby remotely, talk to the baby as long as an external speaker is placed near the crib, share live video of the baby with up to three other devices, and even use an interface on the iPad to pan the camera around the baby's room.

The iBaby costs \$200 and is available at select Babies R Us, some Best Buy stores and in Apple stores. iHealth would not release sales figures, but Lin said the new device has consistently beat sales expectations in all its retail locations.

The BabyPing monitor,

which also uses the iPhone and iPad interface, will be available in the U.S. in the spring. It was developed by Y-cam, a British company that specializes in high-tech security cameras for residential and commercial spaces. The company decided to branch out into baby monitors when it learned that some of its customers were using security cameras to monitor children.

Hunt said it was easy for Y-cam to load BabyPing with infrared night vision, full color video with 600-by-480 pixel resolution and a high-quality microphone that cuts static background noise. That's the company's bread and butter. What was more difficult was deciding which functions to take out of the product so parents didn't feel overwhelmed. It will retail for \$199 in the U.S.

Yet another entry to the market comes from the French company Withings, whose Smart Baby Monitor keeps track of the temperature and humidity in the baby's room. It comes with four pre-recorded lullabies, which you can play remotely, and it has a night light with four color choices. A spokeswoman for the company said Withings still has not decided on the price but hopes that the product will be available in the U.S. by February.

Out of Tragedy, a New Life's Plan for Elizabeth Smart

BY CASSANDRA SPRATLING
Detroit Free Press

DETROIT • Even if you don't remember her name, you remember her story.

At 14, Elizabeth Smart was kidnapped from her Utah home in 2002 while her younger sister watched in terror. Smart was held captive for nine months and repeatedly raped by a man who claimed that he was a prophet and that she was his second wife.

The kidnapers, Brian David Mitchell and a woman he claimed was his first wife, Wanda Barzee, were caught after a passerby recognized him from photos of a sketch based on Mary Katherine Smart's memory. Mitchell was sentenced to life in prison.

Now, Elizabeth Smart wants you to know that her story doesn't end in defeat. (A family spokesman announced recently that Smart became engaged to a fellow Mormon she met while a missionary in France.)

She has turned her personal tragedy into a mission to help other children avoid becoming or remaining victims.

Smart, 24, is a senior at Brigham Young University, where she's working toward a degree in harp performance. But, she says, she has come to realize that her real work needs to be helping in the battle against child abuse.

Q: What do you plan to do with a degree in harp performance?

A: It's actually kind of funny; nothing. I love the harp. I love it a lot and I feel it's always going to be a part of my life. But over the last year or so, I've become so involved in child advocacy work, and that is where I want to continue my work. So much was given to me and so many sacrifices were made for me, I just feel like I can make a difference.

Q: How did you come to that decision?

A: I recently returned from serving in a volunteer mission in Paris. I was there from November of 2009 to April of 2011. I began to think, "What is the biggest way I (can) make a difference? What can I do when I come back to the States?"

And it was kind of a no-brainer. I've been so blessed. So many people have done so much for me and my family, I thought, "How do I give back?" It was just like HELLO! "You'd never want another child to experience what you experienced. You'd never want another family to have what happened to your family happen to them." So my dad and I created the Elizabeth Smart Foundation.

Q: What are the goals of the foundation?

A: One is RADkids. It stands for Resist Aggression Defensively. It's a self-empowerment program, which is a preventive measure. It's not a reactive measure once something happens. If children go through the program, it won't always 100 percent prevent something from happening, but certainly when children are given the tools beforehand, and it can help them avoid a terrible situation from happening, then that's what should be done. It gives children choices and options.

For instance, in my case, the morning I was kidnapped, when the man was holding a knife to my neck, I thought I had only two options — either survive and get up and go with him or be killed. I thought those were my only two options. RADkids teaches children that there are more options.

Q: So what are the other options?

A: It teaches physical skills but also changes their mindset on how they look at situations. I can't go back and change what happened to me, but I would like to think that if someone tried to kidnap me now, I would know enough to know I can fight back. I can yell. Not too long ago, there was a young girl in a trailer park with her family. A man climbed into her window, got in bed, started stroking her hair and told her, "Shush; don't worry. I'm your daddy." She knew it wasn't her daddy. So she started saying she had to go to the bathroom. She was so persistent. She said, "If you don't let me go, I'm going to go in bed." So he got her to promise she'd come right back and as soon as she got out of the room, she

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Elizabeth Smart

screamed and her real dad came running. Because she realized that she could do something. She realized she wasn't just a victim. That's what made all the difference. She made a plan.

Q: What are the key lessons you learned from your ordeal?

A: That you can never take anything for granted. Anything can happen. It doesn't matter who you are or where you live or who your family is. I was asleep in what I thought was the safest place in the world, next to my younger sister, and I was kidnapped. It also taught me that, yes, there are many bad people out there, but there are so many, many more good people. And it taught me that miracles happen and just because something bad happens or we have a tragic event happen, it doesn't mean our life is over. A part of your life may be ruined, but that doesn't mean the rest of your life is ruined. It doesn't mean you can't move on. If anything, because of my experience, it's pushed me to where I am today.

Q: Explain what you mean?

A: It was an incredibly difficult experience. It was the hardest experience of my life, but because of that, it opened the door for me to so much more. It opened the door for me to create the Elizabeth Smart Foundation. It helped me help other people. I never would have realized that child abuse, kidnapping, child pornography — I would never have known these issues are as prevalent as they are today if I had not experienced it. And beyond that, I don't think anybody would have listened to me. It would be like, "Who is this little blond girl from Utah? How could she possibly have any clue?" In that respect, it gives me validity.

BURN LOTS OF CALORIES WITH WINTER SPORTS

BY MEREDITH COHN
The Baltimore Sun

A half hour is all you need to maintain proper weight, get your blood flowing and improve health, according to the Society for Vascular Surgery, which forwarded us a list of calories burned by various winter sports from Livestrong.com.

In one hour, a 155-160 pound person can burn:

- 511 calories cross country skiing
- 365 calories downhill skiing
- 563 calories playing ice hockey
- 511 calories ice skating
- 400 calories shoveling snow by hand

When there's no snow, how about burning:

- 281 calories bicycling
- 329 calories carrying golf clubs
- 211 calories walking the dog

"Welcome 2012 as your year to become physically fit and keep your vascular system healthy," said Dr. Anil Hingorani, a member of the Society for Vascular Surgery. "Winter sports burn calories, increase your heart rate, and keep your blood flowing at a healthy rate."

Inactivity leads to 250,000 deaths a year, according to the medical journal Circulation. Those not physically fit are 4.5 times more likely to die prematurely than fit people.

BOOK SPARKS PORCH IDEAS

AKRON BEACON JOURNAL

"Better Homes and Gardens' The Porch Book" offers an escape from the winter doldrums.

The book will have you dreaming of lazy summer days in a rocking chair, and it just might nudge you into creating a design to make that dream come true. A variety of porch and home styles are featured, so just about any homeowner can find inspiration.

In addition to before-and-after photos and information on architectural styles, the book contains design help and structural information.



You'll also find style ideas for finishing and decorating a porch to make it your own.

"The Porch Book" is published by Wiley and sells for \$21.99 in softcover.

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Don't Believe What You See on TV

Let's talk about an issue that has risen since the "CSI" TV generation was created. Have you ever wondered why on TV crimes are solved with a simple microscopic piece of evidence and yet real crimes still go unsolved? And why on TV is the crime solved in an hour's time (minus commercials)? The simple truth is that TV crime shows are entertainment and that's all. In real life, there is no magic device that tells you who did the crime, what time they did it or how many other crimes they did.

Since these crime shows have come out, they have created a different perspective of how crimes are really solved. Now, you might say, so what is the big deal? The big deal is that these shows have created what is being called "The CSI Effect."

This effect has tainted juries to believe that law enforcement should solve crime just like they do on TV. The days of eyewitness testimony or confessions are going by the wayside because juries believe we have the same tools that the TV shows use — which by the way, even the federal government would love to have if some of the tools actually existed.

Across the nation, attorneys are asking potential jurors if they watch "CSI"-type shows, and when they say they do, "bingo" — a potential juror. What defense attorneys know is that the juror is expecting to see all sorts of forensic evidence that they saw on TV. They also, believe it or not, wonder why investigators spend so much time solving a crime. Jurors have mentioned that if it took that long to get any evidence, maybe it was fabricated.

Most crimes are not solved by forensics. Many of them are solved with plain and simple police work. Interviews and in-



Dan Bristol
Policeman Dan

terrogations are where most crimes get solved. Forensic exams do help interrogation, but a good interrogation can make that forensic information work to solve the crime. These interrogations don't go as smoothly and easily as they do on TV but a good interrogator can get a confession — though not between commercials. Speaking of evidence, on TV they get forensic evidence back with all the bells and whistles almost the same time they brought it in. The truth is that sometimes it takes anywhere from months to years before evidence is actually processed because in Idaho, there are so few forensic labs (three) and so many law enforcement agencies (more than 100).

So in conclusion, if you love crime shows and don't love jury duty, then don't admit it. If you love both, then don't expect to be shown that magic evidence. Real crime is solved after many hours, days or even months, not in just one hour — or two if it's "to be continued." And not every crime gets solved; more than half go unsolved.

Officer Down

Please put this officer, killed in the line of duty, and his family in your prayers. God bless this hero.

• Officer Steven Green, Mobile Police, Ala.

He fought the good fight, now may he 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.

Casting for Recovery Accepting Applications

CHALLIS • The sixth annual Idaho Casting for Recovery fly fishing retreat for women in all stages of breast cancer treatment and survivors will be held June 8-10 at Living Waters Ranch in Challis.

Women from southern Idaho are invited to apply for the free retreat to learn how to fly fish. Equipment will be provided.

The retreat incorporates emotional and medical support along with fly ty-

ing, casting lessons, knots and fishing.

An all-female staff of medical and fly-fishing professionals will guide the participants. The casting motion provides a gentle exercise for joint and soft tissue stretching.

The deadline to apply is March 30, and the number of participants is limited to 14.

Applications at castingforrecovery.org (click on ID and select ID-1), or call 888-553-3500.

WSU RELEASES PRESIDENT'S LIST

PULLMAN • Washington State University released the 2011 fall semester president's honor roll.

To be eligible for the honor roll, students must be enrolled in a minimum of nine graded hours in a single term and earn a

grade-point average of 3.75 or 3.5 cumulative GPA based in 15 cumulative hours of graded work.

Students on the fall honor roll include Hailey Ramsey of Filer, Alexx Sliman of Gooding and Melissa Bogert of Sun Valley.

Herrett Center to Hold Science Camp-In

TWIN FALLS • Students in third through fifth grades are invited to sign up for the Science Camp-In at the Herrett Center for Arts and Science. The event begins at 6 p.m. on March 2.

Darcy Thornborrow, event organizer and Herrett Center education coordinator, has lined up hands-on

workshops in chemistry, rocket science, archaeology, aquaculture, geology and astronomy. Each session will be directed by scientists from the College of Southern Idaho faculty or an outside agency. Students will list their top workshop choices when they sign up. The event includes a

show in the Faulkner Planetarium, telescope viewing in the Centennial Observatory, snacks and a T-shirt. Students will sleep overnight in the Herrett galleries with adult supervision. Parents will pick up their children on March 3, at 8 a.m.

Registration is \$40 per

student, with only 140 slots available. Participants need to sign up before the registration deadline of Feb. 24. No registrations will be taken at the door the night of the event.

For more information or to register: Darcy Thornborrow, 732-6664 or dthornborrow@csi.edu.

CSI Nursing Program Holds Raffle

TWIN FALLS • Students in the College of Southern Idaho Nursing program are conducting a raffle for a cash prize of \$500.

Stephanie Williams, vice president of CSI's Idaho Student Nursing Association, said tickets for this cash prize package will be sold now through the end of April. Tickets are \$2 for one, \$5 for three or \$10 for seven tickets. All proceeds

will go to the ISNA Club for education and activities.

Nursing students will sell tickets at certain times in the CSI Student Union building. They are also available from the information office inside the CSI Health Science and Human Service building on North College Road. Tickets can also be purchased by contacting Williams at 320-1418.

Rupert's Linard Makes Baylor Dean's List

WACO, Texas • Lanae Esther Linard of Rupert was named to the fall 2011 Dean's Academic Honor List for Baylor University in Waco, Texas. She is studying in the College of Arts and Sciences.

To qualify for the dean's list, a student must be an undergraduate with a 3.7 minimum grade-point average, while enrolled in a minimum of 12 semester hours.

XAVIER TO HOLD OPEN HOUSE

TWIN FALLS • Xavier Charter School will hold a community open house from 5 to 7 p.m. Feb. 28 at 1218 N. College Road W. Information: 734-3947 or www.xaviercharter.org.

NARFE HOLDS MONTHLY MEETING

TWIN FALLS • NARFE (National Association of Retired and Federal Employees) Local Chapter 1959 will hold its monthly meeting on Monday, Feb. 13, at 11:30 a.m. at the Loong Hing Restaurant, 1719 Kimberly Road in Twin Falls.

The speakers will be from the Bureau of Land Management.

Anyone who is retired or currently employed as a federal employee, is encouraged to attend and bring a guest.

This is a chance to enjoy friendship and information among your peers. Information: 308-1670.

Gooding Library Offers Several Programs

GOODING • The library was visited by more than 100 second-grade students from Gooding Elementary School on Feb. 1.

The visitors included teachers and adult chaperones who walked with the students on their morning outing. Once the group arrived at the library, they learned how to check out a book and what services are available at the library. Each student received a new pencil. The students created and presented a "thank you" poster for the library that is now on display for all to enjoy.

The winter session of the parenting program, "Every Child Ready To Read," is under way. Free classes taught by Cindy Bigler help parents learn how to enable their children to become lifelong readers. Each participant receives take-home materials. Another session will be offered in the spring; contact the library to sign up. Class size is limited.

The Teen Winter Reading Contest has begun but youth can still enter. Just read three young adult books from three different genres (for example: supernatural, mystery and historical), write a short review for each book and turn it in to one of the librarians. Contest ends Feb. 29.

"Sweet Deal": Buy a book from the library book shop in February and receive a sweet treat.

Find the Gooding Public Library at 306 Fifth Ave. W., on Facebook and Twitter, or by calling 934-4089.

Gooding Hospital Plans Valentine Dinner

GOODING • Tickets are available for the North Canyon Medical Center Foundation's annual "Spring Fling Valentine Dinner"

The event will be held on Valentine's Day, Feb. 14, at the Gooding Country Club. A no-host bar begins at 6 p.m., followed at 7 p.m. with

a flank steak dinner and chocolate fountain dessert, catered by Carmen Stevens and Cathy Pavkov.

Tickets are \$50 and are available from foundation board members or at the hospital reception desk. Proceeds go to the foundation to enhance hospital services. Seating is limited.

Filer Public Library Offers New Selections

FILER • The Filer Public Library listed recent additions, including:

FICTION
 "Love in a Nutshell" by Janet Evanovich and Dorian Kelly; "Gun Games" by Faye Kellerman; "One Day" by David Nicholls; "Private No. 1 Suspect" by James Patterson and Maxine Paetro; "The Savage Heart" by Diane Palmer; "Micro" by Michael Crichton and Richard Preston; "The Oath" by Frank Peretti; "An Act of Treason" by Jack Coughlin with Donald Davis; "Texas! Sage" by Sandra Brown; "Holiday in Stone Creek" by Linda Lael Miller; "Gabriella and Alexander" by Nora Roberts; "The Snow Angel" by Glen Beck; "The Wedding Letters" by Jason F. Wright; "The Fire" by James Patterson and Jill Dembroski; "Siren Song" by Cat Adams; "The Next Always" by Nora Roberts; "Shock Wave" by John Sanford; "The Litigators" by John Grisham; "The Clockwork Prince" by Cassandra Clare

NONFICTION
 "Mere Christianity" by C.S. Lewis; "The Imperial Cruise" by James Bradley;

"Idea Man" by Paul Allen; "Agent Zigzag" by Ben MacIntyre; "The King's Speech" by Mark Logue and Pete Conrad; "A Love that Multiplies" by Michelle and Jim Bob Duggar; "Confederates in the Attic" by Tony Horwitz; "Drives of a Lifetime: 500 of the World's Most Spectacular Trips" by National Geographic; "The Devil's Gentleman" by Harold Schechter; "The Lighthouse Stevensons" by Bella Bathurst; "Papercrafts" by Gillian Souter

JUVENILE
 "Torn" by Margaret Peterson Haddix; "Daisy Dawson at the Beach" by Steve Voake; "The Bar Code Tattoo" by Suzanne Weyn; "Daisy Dawn and the Big Freeze" by Steve Voake; "Confessions of a Teenage Vampire" by Terry M. West and Steve Ellis

DVDs
 "Mrs Miracle"; "Call Me Mrs Miracle"; "The Help"; "Charlie and the Chocolate Factory"; "Tudors"; "Jesse Stone: Innocents Lost"

AUDIO BOOKS
 "Eclipse"; "Dangerous Days of Daniel X"

VIDEO
 "Snow Falling on Cedars"

MCRE to Hold Monthly Meeting

BURLEY • The Mini-Cassia Retired Educators will hold their monthly meeting at 11 a.m. Monday, Feb. 13, at Connor's Cafe.

Kristine Handy will speak on how dancing improves one's life physically and visiting other countries improves students and others educationally. She was involved with dance as a young girl with her family, then had

her own dance studio and Handy Cloggers and has toured with her group, Idaho Rocky Mountain Express, to many parts of the United States and various places in Europe, South America and Asia.

All retired educators and anyone interested are invited to attend. A short business meeting will be held. Information: 878-4705.

Xavier Accepting Applications

TWIN FALLS • Xavier Charter School is currently holding open enrollment through March 31.

Applications are available at www.xaviercharter.org. Information: 734-3947.



Quilting for Bill



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Dorothy Kerbs of Our Savior Lutheran Church Hearts and Hands quilting group presented handmade quilts to residents of Bill's Place and Serenity House during a holiday open house in December at Bill's Place. Bill's Place is a safe and drug-free home for young women ages 18 and above who need temporary assistance to transition into responsible, independent living. Bill's Place is operated by a community board of volunteers. Residents are required to be gainfully employed and participate in community service activities. Bill's Place would like to thank the Hearts and Hands quilting group for its generous donation.

BRIDGE NEWS

Gooding Duplicate Bridge Results

GOODING • Gooding Duplicate Bridge recently released its results for Feb. 3.

1. Dennis and Pat Hill, 2. Dennis Hanel and Henry Robinson, 3. Adelaide Gerard and Marilyn Tripple, 4. Veeta Roberts and Lucy Gustafson.

Duplicate bridge is played at 1 p.m. Fridays at the Gooding Senior Center, 308 Senior Ave. Information: Kathy Rooney at 934-9732.

BJ Duplicate Bridge Results

RUPERT • The BJ Duplicate Bridge Club in Rupert recently announced the results of play for Jan. 31.

North/South: Flight A: 1. Peggy Hackley and Shirley Tschannen, 2. Edna Pierson and Sue Skinner.

Flight B: Tie for 1. and 2. Steve and Nancy Sams and Warren and Faun McEntire.

East/West: 1. Shirley

Harris and Marlene Temple, 2. Barbara Carney and Eunice Merrigan, 3. Mildred Wolf and Sheila Hubsmith.

Games are held at 1 p.m. Tuesdays at the Rupert Elks Lodge. For partners and information: Steve Sams, 878 7691, or Vera Mai, 436 4163.

Twin Falls Duplicate Bridge Results

TWIN FALLS • The Twin Falls Duplicate Bridge Club recently released its results from Feb. 1.

Flight A
North/South: 1. Edna Pierson and Sue Skinner, 2. Renee Bulcher and Wilma Driscoll, 3. Joye Astorquia and Jessie Lingnaw.

East/West: 1. Betty Grant and Dennis Hanel, 2. Patti Cooper and Beverly Reed, 3. Nancy and Steve Sams.

Flight B
North/South: 1. Veeta Roberts and Doris Finney.
East/West: 1. Patti Cooper and Beverly Reed.

Library Offers New Books

RUPERT • New items at DeMary Memorial Library in Rupert include the following:

FICTION

"Home Front" by Kristin Hannah. All marriages have a breaking point. All families have wounds. All wars have a cost.

"Wonderland Creek" by Lynn Austin. I was perfectly content with my life — that is, until the pages of my story were ripped out before I had a chance to live happily ever after.

"What's in a Name" by Karen Frisch. Juliet and Antonio must overcome their conflicts so Marcus can have a real family — but first they must find the children.

"Ransome's Quest" by Kaye Dacus. His sister and his wife, both kidnapped — who will the commodore choose to rescue?

"River's Song" by Melody Carlson. Sometimes when we look back, we are able to see ahead.

"Midnight in Austenland" by Shannon Hale. Charlotte Kinder

herself to a vacation to Austenland and a Jane Austen experience.

"Left for Dead" by J.A. Jance. Ali Reynolds investigates two shocking cases of victims brutally left for dead.

"Kill Shot" by Vince Flynn. The young, hungry and lethal Mitch Rapp at the onset of his career as a CIA superagent.

"Catch Me" by Lisa Gardner. In four days, someone is going to kill me...It will be up close and personal. No evidence of forced entry, no sign of struggle. In four days, someone is going to kill me. But he's got to catch me first.

FICTION (LARGE PRINT)

"Come a Little Closer" by Dorothy Garlock. An enthralling tale that begins at the close of World War II.

"In Nazareth Pennsylvania" by Melanie Dobson. They were strangers when they married, but they both long for love.

MYSTERY

"The Look of Love" by Mary Jane Clark; a Piper Donovan mystery.

Healthy Hearts for Valentine's Day

I confess I'm a Valentine's Day sap — I love the flowers, cards and the chocolate! There's nothing more enjoyable than the chocolate on V-Day. Whether you're single, wishing you weren't single, crazy in love or crazy over an ex: There's some mystical power that chocolate has over us. After all, chocolate has been around for a long time — offered to the gods and served at sacred ceremonies in both Mayan and Aztec civilizations.

While it is OK to be a chocolate lover on Valentine's Day, these indulgences should not carry over for the rest of the year... or should they? February is Heart Month. Taking care of your heart means three simple things — no smoking, eating five fruits and vegetables per day, enjoying a minimum 30 minutes of exercise per day and last but not least perhaps a bite of chocolate every week too.

Research suggests that a little chocolate may actually be beneficial to your heart. The cocoa bean is rich in a class of plant nutrients called flavonoids. Flavonoids are very helpful in plants to protect them from environmental toxins and help repair damage. Fruits and vegetables are

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the highest in flavonoids, which have "antioxidant" power. This means they help the body's cells resist damage and also protect the artery walls from plaque buildup caused from low-density lipoprotein (LDL), also known as "bad" cholesterol.

But, before you grab a chocolate candy bar or slice of that chocolate cake, it's important to understand that not all forms of chocolate contain high levels of flavonols. Cocoa naturally has a very strong, pungent taste, which comes from the flavonols. When cocoa is processed into your favorite chocolate products, it goes through several steps to reduce this taste. The more chocolate is processed (through things like fermentation, alkalizing, roasting, etc.), the more flavonols are lost.

Most commercial chocolates are highly processed. Although it was once believed that dark chocolate contained the highest levels of flavonols, it really depends on how the dark chocolate was processed. The good news is that the better

chocolate manufacturers are looking for ways to keep the flavanols in their process when they make chocolates. Your best choice for the maximum Flavanols is still dark chocolate over milk chocolate.

The fat in chocolate comes from cocoa butter and is made up of three equal amounts of oleic acid (a heart-healthy monounsaturated fat also found in olive oil), stearic and palmitic acids. Stearic and palmitic acids are forms of saturated fat. Saturated fats are linked to increases in LDL cholesterol. New research shows that stearic acid appears to have a neutral effect on cholesterol, neither raising nor lowering it. However palmitic acid does affect cholesterol levels so 2/3 of the fat in chocolate does not raise cholesterol. In fact some studies show evidence that dark chocolate actually lowers cholesterol so eat dark chocolate, and on special occasions like Valentines Day... eat what your heart tells you.

When you're not enjoying a special day, I recommend moderate portions of chocolate (e.g., 1 ounce) a few times per week, and remember to eat other flavonoid-rich foods like apples, red wine, tea, onions and cranberries.

Bogges Makes Dean's List

TWIN FALLS • Noah Bogges of Twin Falls was named to the dean's list at DePaul University for the fall quarter of 2011.

In order to qualify for the dean's list, students must earn above a 3.0 grade-point average on a 4.0 scale.

DePaul University is the largest Catholic university in the United States and the largest private, nonprofit university in the Midwest.

Kunz Completes Basic Training

GOODING • Army National Guard Spec. Dirk I. Kunz has graduated from Basic Combat Training at Fort Sill in Lawton, Okla.

During the nine weeks of training, Kunz studied the Army mission and received instruction and training exercises in drill and ceremonies, Army history, core values and traditions, military courtesy, military justice, physical fitness, first-aid, rifle marksmanship, weapons use, map reading and land navigation, foot marches, armed and unarmed combat, and field maneuvers and tactics.

Kunz is the son of Ian Kunz of Gooding and a 1999 graduate of Gooding High School.

Buhl Library Receives Grant

BUHL • The Buhl Public Library was awarded a \$3,500 grant from the First Federal Foundation to help with the costs of an electrical light retrofit. All the fluorescent lights inside and some outside the library needed to be replaced because of mandated changes by the Environmental Protection Agency. The library would no longer have been able to purchase the light bulbs in use or the parts to repair the

light fixtures.

Idaho Power was offering incentives to make the switch. Converting to the new lights will also save on electrical costs for years to come. Buhl Library Foundation President Steve Kaatz and Director Cynthia Toppen worked together to apply for the First Federal Foundation grant. The total cost of the project was \$7,979. The library did not have enough funding in its

building maintenance account to do the project without help.

Idaho Power's incentive was \$3,468. The program ended Dec. 31, 2011, and will not be offered in 2012. The Buhl Library Foundation pledged \$500 above its regular contributions to the library, as did the Homling Fund pledge \$500 above its normal contribution. The grant for \$3,500 was awarded by First Federal in De-

ember, with just enough time to file all the necessary papers and schedule the conversion to begin in January.

The new lighting has been installed and the library has a new brighter look to it according to customers and staff. Without the support of all these organizations, the project wouldn't have happened. By working together, they helped create a bright future for the library.



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Anniversaries



The Andersons
Daryl and Sharon Anderson will be celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary this month. They were married on February 15th, 1962 in the Idaho Falls LDS Temple.
They have 6 children: Donna, Ken, Leon, Steve, Deanna and Dennis; 25 grandchildren; and 4 great grandchildren. They spend most of their free time traveling to visit their family. They also love to have grandchildren come and spend time with them in Gooding.
Daryl and Sharon have raised their children and lived the majority of their married life in Gooding, Idaho. They also served a full-time mission in Nauvoo, Illinois.
To celebrate their 50th

Engagements

Layne-Brubaker
Dale and Carol Layne of Jerome are pleased to announce the marriage of their daughter, Chelsea Layne, to Michael Brubaker, son of John and Barb Brubaker of Buhl, Idaho on Saturday, March 10, 2012 at the 360 Main Event Center in Twin Falls, Idaho.



Chelsea Layne and Michael Brubaker

For information on how to place your announcement in the *Times-News*, please call Janet at 208-735-3253 or email announcements@magicvalley.com

Deadline is 5 p.m. Tuesday to be published in the following Sunday's Family Life page.

Students Make NNU Dean's List

NAMPA • Northwest Nazarene University released its 2011 fall semester dean's list. To be on the list, students must earn a 3.5 grade-point average while taking at least 12 graded credit hours of classes.

Students named to the list include Erick Gutierrez of Glenns Ferry, Kara Schmitt of Heyburn, Molly Reid of Jerome, Kathryn Primrose of Rupert, and Leah DeKruyf and Megan Strayer, of Twin Falls.

Bulkley

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In an effort to increase efficiency, Bulkley even wrote a computer code that allows his BlackBerry to communicate directly with his home computer.

A little background on his operations: Bulkley owns a replacement heifer ranch, meaning he raises cows for other farmers until they're old enough to be milked.

Heifers are constantly coming and going from J.B.M. Farms, and the daily feed orders change with each transfer. Bulkley has long kept track of feed rations on a spreadsheet on his home computer.

He decided his life would be a lot easier if he could update the spreadsheets using his BlackBerry rather than making notes to himself on paper throughout the day and updating the file at night.

With a can-do spirit typical of farmers, Bulkley decided he would figure out a way to do just that, even if tech whizzes he spoke with initially told him it was impossible.

"I had to study it and do it because I knew this would be valuable to me," he said.

Bulkley read books about writing computer codes. He studied almost every night one winter and half of the next before he wrote a code that allowed him to communicate with his computer by cell phone.

Now, his feed program runs more smoothly than ever.

"The computer picks it up in my email, updates the



(TOP) Mike Bulkley — pictured atop hay at J.B.M. Farms east of Castleford on Monday — uses technology to track the amount of feed he gives to replacement heifers. He wrote his own code to transmit data from his BlackBerry to his home computer. (BOTTOM) Bulkley transmits feed data from his BlackBerry to computer spreadsheets.

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spreadsheet, and automatically prints out the sheets for (my employee who feeds the cows) the next morning," Bulkley said. "It's really simplified the process."

Mike Irish, owner of Irish Farms in Buhl, and Mark Henslee, owner of Salmon Falls Land and Livestock, are two other Magic Valley farmers using recent technology.

Both use tractors equipped with the Global Positioning System, which allow the operator to swivel around in the chair and monitor equipment while the tractor steers itself in a straight line.

"We can plant at night if we need to," Henslee said. "We can plant 24 hours a day now."

Using a tractor with GPS cuts down on operator fatigue. "This is a big step for this

area," Irish said of the technology. "It's a survival technique for us now, to become more efficient. We can't do it the old-fashioned way anymore. We have to make everything count."

And to think, Bulkley mused, a mere five years ago he had to drive down the road, over a canal, if he wanted to place a cell phone call.



PHOTO COURTESY OF BETTE JENNINGS-KREPCIK

Bette Jennings-Krepcik and Finnish pen pal Uma Soila, in an old photo from the albums that chronicle their long relationship.

Pen Pal

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After Soila died in 2005, Smith and Jennings-Krepcik lost track of each other. But Smith and her husband moved to Moore, Idaho, from Finland in September — coming here for the mountains. Smith asked her husband, Will, to help her find her American mom.

"I can find anybody using the Internet. It's just coincidence we ended up in Idaho," William Smith IV said.

On Sunday, Kati Smith and Jennings-Krepcik flipped their way through scrapbooks. There were laughter and tears as they

reminded about Soila. Smith told animated stories about Jennings-Krepcik's excitement when she visited Finland.

"I'm happy to have a mom," said Kati Smith, who sees Jennings-Krepcik a couple of times a month now. The families even spent Christmas together. "There are things in this relationship that I have never, ever heard of elsewhere."

Jennings-Krepcik kept all of their letters and correspondence from the years and plans to write a book about their relationship. She predicts the two families' relationship will continue through the generations. "I don't think our closeness will ever end — we're family."

Martial

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you know you can defend yourself, you feel much more confident in situations."

Shepard, who owns ISA Martial Arts in Jerome, leads the two-hour sessions.

"We go through basic self defense," Shepard said. "We teach them a throw or a way to off-balance an opponent."

Jamie Van Sickle, 18, attended Tuesday's session. She and Katie Jacob, 16, took turns hurling each other on-

to the mat with a thud.

"I just like being able to know that I can defend myself and my friends if they need it," Van Sickle said.

Robby Lopez's reason for attending is simple.

"I'm not going to get beat up," the 20-year-old said. "I'm going to be coming every week."

Shepard, who plans to open a new dojo in Twin Falls in April in addition to his Jerome location, is impressed with Jacob's perseverance.

"She fought all the way through," he said of her quest to start the club. "It's rare that you'd see a gal run-



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Guest instructor Bill Jacob, right, teaches Japanese Jujitsu Club members.

ning a martial arts club, so I think that's awesome. It's always viewed as a gentle-

man's game, so to see a gal go toe to toe with 'em is kind of cool, don't you think?"

Digital

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well-established Dear Old Love Tumblr blog after she was dumped on Independence Day 2009 a year into a relationship. The site for the lovelorn describes itself as an anonymous safe haven for "short notes to people we've loved (or at least liked). Re-quoted or unquoted." A selection of notes from the site was later turned into a book.

"It's a refuge for those of us who know our friends are getting tired of listening to us, or those of us who don't have a confidante at all," said Green, who posted there regularly for a few months. "It's also a reminder of how universal these feelings are."

For Green, it was a place to let go. Hard. "When I went to your apartment to get my things, I dipped your toothbrush in the toilet. I wasn't gonna kiss you ever again anyway," she poured out in one of the

messages she left there. "It's a, perhaps unfortunately, true story," Green said, "but I'm in a much better place now. I think I deal with this stuff better now. I'd like to think Dear Old Love has something to do with that."

There's also CheaterVille.com, a site full of alleged cheaters complete with mugshot-like photos and sometimes lengthy explanations of love deceptions. While the culprits are identified by name and town, the posters are anonymous.

And NeverLikedItAnyway.com, where dumppees sell off their engagement rings, wedding gowns and other gifts from exes. A recent bargain of the week featured an anonymous teacher's lynx fur jacket with a real-world price of \$12,000 but a breakup asking price of \$7,995. Transactions are private via direct message through the site.

The latest entrant is WotWentWrong, brand new

for dumppees in search of feedback from their formers after a first date failed to produce a follow-up call or budding love died on the vine without explanation.

Registered users fill out detailed questionnaires covering what information they're after (was it my hair, the way I dressed?) and can customize a template letter to be sent through the site to an ex. The ex can respond with as much detail as he or she desires through the site, without contacting the sender directly.

"Many new relationships

end without an actual ending, be it in person or via technology," said the site owner, Audrey Melnik, who came up with the idea after a first date she thought went well vanished without a word.

"There are times when you can be left wondering why things ended if you didn't ask at the moment that you broke up. We provide a way to give closure," she said.

The site received 28,000 unique visitors less than two weeks after it was launched Jan. 24, Melnik said.

COMING UP

Server Service

Meet one of south-central Idaho's favorite restaurant servers. Read why returning customers rave about her; Andrew Weeks reports. Wednesday in Food

Techno Hunting

Sportsmen say technology makes hunting and fishing easier; Andrew Weeks reports. Thursday in Outdoors

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CLEANING CORNER

Question: My refrigerator has a face-out water dispenser on the front door. It has accumulated hard water scale and scum on the bottom tray and all around the dispenser. I didn't realize how bad it was until we had friends over for dinner. They looked at it with disgust and suggested I write to you for help!

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