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## The Nonprofits

The following are financial details for selected nonprofits across south-central Idaho:

**Victory Home (Addiction Services)**  
**Mission:** Support individuals struggling with addiction.  
**Total expenses (FY'12):** \$65,172  
**Funds spent on programs:** 0 percent  
**Executive director's salary:** N/A  
**Payroll:** \$0  
**Rent/utilities:** \$4,265

**Pregnancy Crisis Center (Human Services)**  
**Mission:** Provide counseling, education, tests, support and referrals on pregnancy.  
**Total expenses (FY'11):** \$109,702  
**Funds spent on programs:** 5 percent  
**Executive director's salary:** \$29,520  
**Payroll:** \$47,628  
**Rent/utilities:** \$6,876

**Safe Harbor (Food Bank)**  
**Mission:** Provide emergency shelter.  
**Total expenses (FY'12):** \$12,159  
**Funds spent on programs:** 20 percent  
**Executive director's salary:** \$3,600  
**Payroll:** \$2,069  
**Rent/utilities:** \$0

**Interfaith Volunteer Caregivers (Human Services)**  
**Mission:** Provide services to those who are home-bound and ill.  
**Total expenses (FY'11):** \$70,000  
**Funds spent on programs:** 20 percent  
**Executive director's salary:** \$33,673  
**Payroll:** \$33,673  
**Rent/utilities:** \$5,440

**Eden Silver and Gold Center (Senior Center)**  
**Mission:** Provide social interactions for seniors.  
**Total expenses (FY'12):** \$69,300  
**Funds spent on programs:** 22 percent  
**Executive director's salary:** N/A  
**Payroll:** \$31,993  
**Rent/utilities:** \$8,928

**Hagerman Senior Center (Senior Center)**  
**Mission:** To serve senior citizens in the community.  
**Total expenses (FY'11):** \$85,000  
**Funds spent on programs:** 29 percent  
**Executive director's salary:** N/A  
**Payroll:** \$40,200  
**Rent/utilities:** \$13,400

**Optimist International, Twin Falls (Youth Development)**  
**Mission:** Provide grants and awards to children in Twin Falls.  
**Total expenses (FY'11):** \$39,100  
**Funds spent on programs:** 48 percent  
**Executive director's salary:** N/A  
**Payroll:** \$0  
**Rent/utilities:** \$0

# 5 QUESTIONS YOU SHOULD ASK BEFORE GIVING

BY KIMBERLEE KRUESI  
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**TWIN FALLS •** With the end of the year approaching, the spirit of giving is getting ready to warm even the coldest of Scrooges' hearts.

For many charities, these next few weeks will be a critical time to increase limited funding. For the public, it's an opportunity to donate to something noble — not to mention find a way to get a last minute tax break.

But before you get caught up in the moment, it's important to research a charity ahead of time before signing over the check.

Don't know if you should give your money to a particular charity? Answer these five questions to find out if a group deserves your donation.

## 1. Is the Charity Tax-exempt?

Before you decide to give, verify that the charity is a registered 501(c)(3) — a type of nonprofit — with the Internal Revenue Service. If you're unsure

## About the Data

**What is this?** All the operational and financial information reported in this story came from the organizations' latest available 990 tax forms on guidestar.org. The information here only shows a brief snapshot of an organization's finances. For more information, contact each individual charity.

**What isn't included?** This list does not include every nonprofit in south-central. Nor does it include churches. Organizations like the Salvation Army are exempt from filing a 990 tax form because they file as a religious organization with the IRS.

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of a charity's status, check sites such as charitynavigator.org for reviews and guidestar.org for their 990 tax forms (required of nonprofits).

## 2. How Much of the Charity's Budget Is Spent on Its Services?

This can be tricky. Ideally, an organization should spend 70 percent or more of its funds on programming. However, finding that sum requires a little math. Look at what a nonprofit's 990 form lists for its total program service expenses. Divide that number by the line for total expenses and multiply by 100.

If the number falls below 75, call the organization to learn why. You may find that the group's rent is extremely high or the charity is in the middle of building renovations. No matter what the reason, executives should be able to pinpoint the charity's challenges and goals when it comes to its finances.

## 3. How Much Is the Executive Director's Salary?

Context is everything when looking at an executive's salary, said Lynn Hoffmann, who oversees the Idaho Nonprofit Center.

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5,107

The number of public charities in Idaho

52

Average amount of hours an Idaho volunteer gives to a nonprofit each year

\$2.9B

Total revenue that Idaho's public charities raised in 2012

\$298.9M

Revenue raised by Idaho's education nonprofit organizations

Source: Idaho Nonprofit Center

# Years after Death, Philanthropist Still Impacting Our Communities

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**TWIN FALLS •** More than two years ago, a quiet woman with an ample bank account — and even larger heart — left \$2.3 million in her will to be divided equally among 10 nonprofit organizations. Each agency received \$237,000.

It was supposed to be a simple gift. Hansen resident Nora Andersen was known for her modest demeanor, not her investment success.

However, her generous donation to the various organizations was hard to ignore in a time when many nonprofits operate on a budget just a third of Andersen's contribution. It's been close to two years since her death but the organizations are still benefiting from the financial boost to their revenue.

Almost a year ago, the *Times-News* contacted the organizations to see where the money would be spent. For some, the answer was obvious. The money would go to repairs. For others, the money was squirreled away into trust funds or allocated to scholarships.

Four organizations took their time deciding how to spend the money. But today, many of those nonprofits can pinpoint where Andersen's donation was spent.

Twin Falls' Safe House will use the funds to build another wing to their facility, said Val Stotts, the nonprofit's



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*Val Stotts, director of Safe House, pauses for a photo in the organization's home on Thursday in Twin Falls. Safe House received close to a \$237,000 donation from Nora Andersen and they are building an additional wing onto their home, which will add 10 more beds.*

program director.

The nonprofit serves as a safe house for abused children. Currently, it can only take in 14 children, Stotts said. Once the renovation is completed, the organization will be able to take in an additional 10 children.

"Without this money, I don't know if we would have been able to expand," she said.

Along with the size of the donation, Andersen's donation was also unique because it had no stipulation on how the money should be spent, said Tracy Rowe, vice president for development at Idaho Youth Ranch.

"We had no history with Nora," Rowe said. "She had never given to us before. We were quite blown away when we

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# Magic Valley's Students of the Week



**Academic • Canyon Ridge Zerina Mehic**

Zerina's teachers describe her as an intelligent, hard-working student. She has a passion for learning and makes it her priority to excel academically. She has a 3.9 grade-point average and is involved with Key Club, National Honor Society, helping with math tutoring and volunteering at an animal shelter.



**Athlete • Xavier Garret Quinton**

Garret, a sophomore, has been a student at Xavier Charter School since he was in sixth grade. He is the embodiment of a Renaissance Man, achieving at high levels in the liberal arts and sciences, the performing arts, and athletic pursuits, including competitive cross country running. He was nominated for his athletic skill, his enthusiasm, and his collaborative nature as a member of the elite Senior Company Dance Group.



**Artist • Castleford Kenny Neild**

Kenny is a senior at Castleford High School. Along with playing football, basketball, and track, he is an excellent student. During two years of art training, his interest in hot rod cartooning has been evident. By visiting an illustrator during the summer break, Kenny has developed the desire to study cartooning/graphic art as a career. In the next trimester, he will hone his skills with colored pencil by studying watercolor and mixed media techniques. Kenny is self-motivated and self-directed. His ambition will serve him well as his art skills improve because of his continuous practice and development of new ideas.

*How are the AAA students chosen? We asked guidance counselors from schools all over the Magic Valley to work with the teachers at their schools to come up with some of the best and brightest students they could find.*

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# State Water Plan Updated for First Time Since 1996

**Plan changes management of the Eastern Snake Plain Aquifer and addresses water planning above Milner Dam.**

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**BOISE** • The Idaho Water Resource Board adopted a new state water plan last week, updating its outdated plan to address the supply and balance of Idaho's most precious resource. "This proposed plan is the plan we are now operating under," said Deputy Attorney General Clive Strong to a packed audience at the Idaho Water Users Association's meeting in Boise. The state water management plan is a guide for how state and regional officials can best use Idaho's water. While the plan still needs final approval from the Idaho Legislature in the upcoming session, the board's recent adoption decision is significant. The plan hasn't been updated since 1996 and state officials have been working to update the plan for the past five years. "The plan used to be updated every five years but the department soon got behind and decided to drop that requirement," said Helen Harrington, manager of the water planning section for Idaho Water Resource Board.

**Read More Online**

Idaho's new water plan is online at <http://bit.ly/VbMraQ>. The site also includes links to public comments submitted before the plan was accepted and copies of older plans beginning from the 1970s.

tion for IWRB. For the first time since the plan was drafted in 1972, the plan outlines implementation strategies and achieved milestones. Also included in the new plan are changes to the Snake River Basin management of the Lake Erie-sized Eastern Snake Plain Aquifer and addressing water planning above Milner Dam. Over the summer, the board accepted hundreds of public comments from water, hunting and conservation groups from across the state offering feedback on the proposed updates. Most of the comments approved of the board's proposals to include implementation strategies of new goals and include milestone achievements. However, comments from Buhl-based Clear Springs Foods expressed concern that the plan fails to address how to prevent further water level declines in the ESPA.

**"The plan used to be updated every five years but the department soon got behind and decided to drop that requirement."**

**Helen Harrington**, manager of the water planning section for Idaho Water Resource Board

"Spring flows in the ESPA have declined 20 to 30 percent or more over the past 30-50 years. According to the states own experts, the ESPA has been depleted by nearly 6 million acre feet of water just over the past 20 years," Clear Springs explained in the comment. "If such depletion continues, ground water levels and spring flows will continue their decline. We recommend the plan include specific ESPA aquifer recovery targets." Otherwise, on Thursday, water users praised the water board for its accomplishment in updating the plan. "In this version, the board is showing just how keenly aware of the implementation of that document will have in this state," said Shelley Davis, water law attorney during the presentation.

# Blaine County Schools Host 'Coffee with the Community'

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**CAREY** • The Blaine County School District is hosting another "Coffee

with the Community" session. The session is scheduled for 8-9 a.m. Wednesday at Castle's Corner in Carey.

The informal visits are a chance for community members to meet administrators and school board members to talk about

anything related to Blaine County's public schools. There will not be a presentation and discussion is open to any topic.

**STORK REPORT**

**St. Luke's Jerome**

**Samantha Arabella Woods**, daughter of David and Sara Woods of Jerome, was born Nov. 19, 2012.  
**Sydney DeLance Torres**, daughter of Ray Torres and Kayla Christopherson of Wendell, was born Nov. 21, 2012.

**St. Luke's Magic Valley Medical Center**

**Liam James Baker**, son of Sarah LuElla Pruett and Alexander James Baker of Rupert, was born Nov. 20, 2012.  
**Lucas Sean Gomske**, son of Angela Dawn and Kurtis Sean Gomske of Twin Falls, was born Nov. 20, 2012.  
**Xander John Hernandez**, son of Christina Lyn and Juan Guadalupe Hernandez of Twin Falls, was born Nov. 20, 2012.  
**William Eric Evans**, son of Misty Diane and Eric William Evans of Buhl, was born Nov. 20, 2012.  
**Malaki Alakey Corona**, son of Carla Christine Arevalo and Jose Dolores Corona-Garcia of Jerome, was born Nov. 20, 2012.  
**Allie May Hansen**, daughter of Chelsea and Charles Spencer Hansen of Twin Falls, was born Nov. 21, 2012.  
**Danikka Alexis Mood**, daughter of Heather Ann Burns and Timothy Scott Mood of Twin Falls, was born Nov. 21, 2012.  
**Hunter Allen Hayes**, son of Sara Dawnette Stark and Tony Lee Hayes of Twin Falls, was born Nov. 21, 2012.  
**Janyce Jane Stanitz**, daughter of Sarah Jane Bea and Jonathan Peter Stanitz of Twin Falls, was born Nov. 22, 2012.  
**Harvey Phillip Mavencamp**, son of Denise Rene and Joshua John Mavencamp of Hagerman, was born Nov. 22, 2012.  
**Maritza Ruby Rangel Cervantes**, daughter of Silvia Cervantes and Roberto Rangel Perez of Filer, was born Nov. 23, 2012.  
**Eric Antonio Aguilar**, son of Sherry Gina Sarbu and Eric Perez Aguilar of Twin Falls, was born Nov. 24, 2012.  
**Cora Christine Louder**, daughter of Erica Ramsey and Craig Jay Louder of Jerome, was born Nov. 25, 2012.  
**Jordan Xavier Martinez**, son of Diana Evelyn Mora and Cristobal Martinez of Wendell, was born Nov. 25, 2012.  
**Melody Perez-Cervantes**, daughter of Rocio Cervantes Ramirez and Jose Luis Perez Delgado of Jerome, was born Nov. 25, 2012.  
**Presli Analyn Ramirez**, daughter of Jessica Dawn and Rico Manuel Ramirez of Twin Falls, was born Nov. 25, 2012.  
**Nayley Yazlyn Trejo**, daughter of Silvia Rubi and OMarm Trejo Ramirez of Buhl, was born Nov. 25, 2012.  
**Brylee Megumi Mitchell**, daughter of Rebecca Lorraine Smith and Damien Atsushi Mitchell of Twin Falls, was born Nov. 27, 2012.  
**Harvey James Muffett**, son of Samantha Lei Bunn and Christopher Ramon Muffett of Twin Falls, was born Nov. 27, 2012.  
**Aubrey Hope Dong**, daughter of Jessica Marie and Zachary Wayne Dong of Twin Falls, was born Nov. 27, 2012.  
**Kallie Brook Veenhouwer**, daughter of Melissa Marie and David Lee Veenhouwer of Jerome, was born Nov. 27, 2012.  
**Avery Ann Payton**, daughter of Brooke Lorraine and Steven Reilly Payton of Wendell, was born Nov. 27, 2012.  
**Tyler Joshua Thornton**, son of Lena Jade Prescott and Wade Allen Thorton of Declo, was born Nov. 27, 2012.  
**Evelyn Camila Avitia**, daughter of Aide Gabriela Lopez and Luis Alonso Avitia of Murtaugh, was born Nov. 27, 2012.  
**Ryan Michael Traugher**, son of Cynthia Nichole and Adam McLean Traugher of Wendell, was born Nov. 27, 2012.  
**Isabella Mia Ramos-Potts**, daughter of Jessica Diane Ramos and Juan Leonel Ramos-Mayana of Hagerman, was born Nov. 28, 2012.  
**Mason Lyrik Fisher**, son of Kalie Brooke Fisher of Wendell, was born Nov. 28, 2012.  
**Robert James Culver**, son of Breezy Dawn Colson and Robert Ralph Culver of Wendell, was born Nov. 28, 2012.  
**K.C. Ricardo Bowden**, son of Heather Christine and Richard G. Bowden of Gooding, was born Nov. 29, 2012.

**COMING UP**

## One Cold Morning

Reporter Tetona Dunlap hangs out in the duck blind with a pair of young waterfowl hunters.  
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**Safe House received close to a \$237,000 donation from Nora Andersen and they are building an additional wing onto their home, which will add 10 more beds.**

## Andersen

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found out about the gift.”

Rowe said the money was placed in a consolidated investment trust. It will collect interest and be used in emergency situations when alternative funding sources fail to cover the organization’s costs.

“We are trying to maximize that return, the money we have in our trust is really there to support the needs of the future when we need it,” she said. “It’s providing a stable cushion for us.”

The Twin Falls Salvation Army spent most of the money replacing its building roof, said Nicki Kroese, the nonprofit’s

business manager.

The remaining sum will be spent on repairing inside water damage caused by the roof.

“We use money for our mission,” she said. “If we didn’t have this donation, I don’t know when we would have replaced the roof.”

Like many of the other nonprofit representatives, Kroese didn’t know Andersen but has since learned about her character now that the Salvation Army received the funding.

“She wouldn’t have wanted all this media attention,” she said. “She was a quiet person.”

Valley House was the only organization not to provide information to Andersen’s donation.

## What They Did With the Money

**Idaho Youth Ranch:** The money was placed in a consolidated investment trust to provide the nonprofit with emergency funding.

**Twin Falls Salvation Army:** The money was spent on replacing the organization’s leaky roof and repairing internal damage.

**Safe House:** The money will be spent on expanding the facility.

**Ageless Senior Center:** The entire amount was spent on renovating the Kimberly center’s building.

**Boys and Girls Club of Magic Valley:** While most of the money going toward an endowment, Director Sam Fowler didn’t immediately know how much had been spent on scholarships.

**Crossroads United Methodist Church:** All of the money went to buying back the Kimberly church’s foreclosed building.

**Hansen Community Library:** The money has been placed into a building and maintenance account. It will be spent on replacing windows, expanding the building and buying new computers.

**Magic Valley Rehabilitation Services:** The organization decided to place \$100,000 in an endowment fund. The rest will go toward repairs and funding programs.

**Safe Harbor:** The entire sum has been set aside to purchase a homeless shelter in early 2012.

**Valley House:** Did not return calls.

## Questions

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“It’s important to look at the ratios,” Hoffmann said. “If the budget is \$250,000 and the chief was making \$150,000, that would be a real cause for concern.”

According to the IRS, a nonprofit’s chief executive officer should receive a “reasonable” compensation. But the tax code remains vague on how much is unacceptable.

The IRS only requires nonprofits to report salaries of executives making more than

\$100,000. In the Magic Valley, many local nonprofits provide salary information of CEOs making much less.

### 4. Are Board Members Compensated?

Individuals who participate on a nonprofit board of directors should do so for the public good, not for a salary, Hoffman said.

“If board members are getting more than just reimbursements for travel to

### More Nonprofits

The following are financial details for selected nonprofits across south-central Idaho:

#### Blaine County Hunger Coalition (Food Bank)

**Mission:** Strives to end hunger in Blaine County by providing wholesome food and promoting solutions to end the causes of hunger.

**Total expenses (FY’11):** \$358,910  
**Funds spent on programs:** 81 percent  
**Executive director’s salary:** \$62,920  
**Payroll:** \$200,300  
**Rent/utilities:** \$0

#### Mini-Cassia Christmas Council (Human Services)

**Mission:** To provide a Christmas experience to families and individuals who otherwise would be unable to do so.

**Total expenses (FY’11):** \$89,590  
**Funds spent on programs:** 87 percent  
**Executive director’s salary:** \$0  
**Payroll:** \$0  
**Rent/utilities:** \$11,380

#### CASA (Human Services)

**Mission:** To provide assistance to abused children.

**Total expenses (FY’11):** \$224,000  
**Funds spent on programs:** 93 percent  
**Executive director’s salary:** N/A  
**Payroll:** \$124,680  
**Rent/utilities:** \$0

#### South Central Community Action Partnership (Community Development)

**Mission:** To provide a wide range of services in an effort to help improve the quality of life for people living with an economic disadvantage.

**Total expenses (FY’12):** \$4.89 million  
**Funds spent on programs:** 93 percent  
**Executive director’s salary:** \$103,800  
**Payroll:** \$977,160  
**Rent/utilities:** \$0

#### Twin Falls Senior Center (Senior Center)

**Mission:** To provide meals and activities to the area’s senior citizens.

**Total expenses (FY’11):** \$318,480  
**Funds spent on programs:** 100 percent

#### Executive director’s salary:

N/A  
**Payroll:** \$143,900  
**Rent/utilities:** \$0

#### New Hope Transition Center (Addiction Services)

**Mission:** To provide substance abuse recovery services.

**Total expenses (FY’11):** \$52,790  
**Funds spent on programs:** 100 percent  
**Executive director’s salary:** N/A  
**Payroll:** \$11,085  
**Rent/utilities:** \$31,710

#### Jerome Senior Center (Senior Center)

**Mission:** To provide meals to the elderly.

**Total expenses (FY’10):** \$154,150  
**Funds spent on programs:** 100 percent  
**Executive director’s salary:** \$24,555  
**Payroll:** \$71,370  
**Rent/utilities:** \$12,340

#### Ageless Senior Center, Kimberly (Senior Center)

**Mission:** To provide services for senior citizens.

**Total expenses (FY’12):** \$153,040  
**Funds spent on programs:** 100 percent  
**Executive director’s salary:** N/A  
**Payroll:** \$33,710  
**Rent/utilities:** \$98,450

#### Magic Valley Rehabilitation Services (Human Services)

**Mission:** To provide rehabilitation services.

**Total expenses (FY’11):** \$953,860  
**Funds spent on programs:** 100 percent  
**Executive director’s salary:** N/A  
**Payroll:** \$652,960  
**Rent/utilities:** \$0

#### Magic Valley Humane Society (Animal Welfare)

**Mission:** To provide animal control, care, shelter, and adoption opportunities for dogs and cats in the city and county of Twin Falls.

**Total expenses (FY’12):** \$698,170  
**Funds spent on programs:** 100 percent  
**Executive director’s salary:** \$46,155  
**Payroll:** \$243,500  
**Rent/utilities:** \$0

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meetings then that’s a red flag,” she said. “It’s not illegal but it is a concern.”

### 5. How Is the Charity Making an Impact?

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organization? Met the executives? Talked to someone who benefited from one of the programs? Doing so can provide powerful insights on how the charity is meeting its goals and how the community benefits from its operation.

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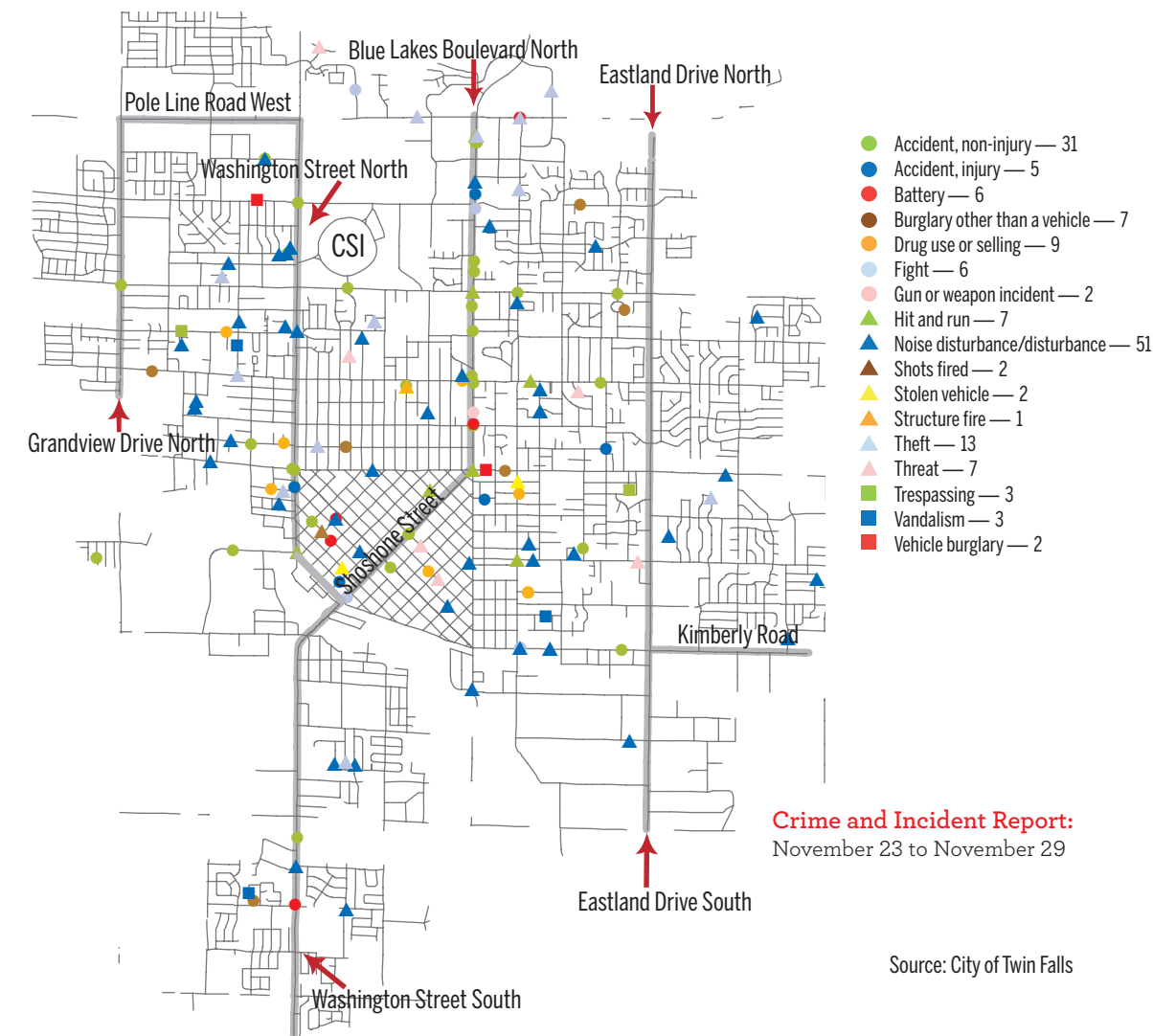


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# SCCAP Seeks Low-income Advocate for Board of Directors

TIMES-NEWS

**TWIN FALLS** • South Central Community Action Partnership, a regional low-income assistance nonprofit, is looking for two new low-income representatives to sit on its board of directors. Applicants do not have to be low-income but must be aware of the problems affecting low-income families and be willing to speak up for their needs. Members are needed to represent Region 2, which include Minidoka and Cassia counties and Region 3, which represents Lincoln, Gooding, Blaine and Camas counties. Applicants running for these seats

must live in one of the counties they would represent. SCCAP's board of directors represents three sectors of the community - public, private and low-income. Anyone interested in the position must pick up an application at 550 Washington St. S. in Twin Falls, 314 East Fifth St. in Burley, or 1120 Montana St. in Gooding. All applications must be returned by Monday, Dec. 17. Low-income participants will be encouraged to vote for their representative of choice on Jan. 10 at the above locations. For more information, call (208) 733-9351.

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# Idaho Lawmakers To Go Through Ethics Training

**BOISE (AP)** • Before creating laws in the 2013 Legislature, Idaho lawmakers will get some pointers on how to police themselves with formal ethics training. The four-hour-long training for all lawmakers is scheduled for the second week of January and on the third day of the session. It follows a string of ethical lapses and questions about Idaho lawmakers' conduct. "Obviously, we've had some issues with breaches of ethical behavior over the last few years," Republican Senate President Pro-Tem Brent Hill of Rexburg told *The Spokesman-Review*.

Hill and Republican House Speaker Lawrence Denney of Midvale decided to institute the training for lawmakers. Hill said the training will help remind lawmakers the public holds them to high standards while also giving them a better understanding of ethics laws. "We need to be inspired to just be our best selves," Hill said. One of the lapses involved Sen. Sheryl Nuxoll, R-Cottonwood, who in June repaid \$890 to the state after sending an end-of-session letter at taxpayer expense to Republicans in her former and new legislative districts

thanking them and pointing out her record as she worked toward re-election. Rep. Sue Chew, D-Boise, the previous June was admonished and acknowledged making a mistake after an intern sent out a mass email from her lawmaker account looking for ideas involving a school-reform referendum. Tax protester Phil Hart, a Republican representative from Athol, faced three ethics complaints in 2011 and 2010 involving paying back state and federal income taxes and invoking legislative privilege to delay his tax cases, as well as illegally logging state endowment land. He

failed to win re-election. House Minority Leader John Rusche, D-Lewiston, said the ethics training is a good idea but he noted a bipartisan group of lawmakers at the last legislative session failed to agree on tougher ethics laws. In particular he noted Idaho remains one of nine states without an independent ethics commission, and one of three states without financial disclosure requirements. "I still think there's a long way to go," he said.

# UI Gets \$3.4M Grant for Transportation Research

**MOSCOW (AP)** • Transportation research at the University of Idaho into fuel efficiency and pollution emissions got an important boost this week in the form of a \$3.4 million federal grant. The university's National Institute for Advanced Transportation Technology

announced the grant Friday. The federal cash enables the center to continue its research for a second year. The center — one of only 10 like it in the country — is focused on reducing fuel consumption and lowering vehicle emissions by developing better ways to manage and operate the nation's transportation system. UI researchers are focusing on engine design and traffic-control technology. The first year of funding supported the foundational research at the center. The new grant enables researchers to test and implement their ideas.

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# Official Urges Collaboration on Wildfire Projects

BY JACQUES BILLEAUD  
Associated Press

**PARADISE VALLEY, Ariz.** • As the western U.S. comes off a tough wildfire season, more collaboration is needed to guard against catastrophic fires and to restore charred forests and rangeland, a senior federal official said at a Western Governors' Association meeting Saturday.

The federal government is accelerating its forest restoration projects and wants communities, utilities and others involved in similar efforts, said Harris Sherman, an undersecretary of the U.S. Department of Agriculture who oversees the U.S. Forest Service.

"We are seeing far larger, more intensive fires — more catastrophic fires, the type that bakes the soil," Sherman said, painting a stark picture of how the country's fire seasons are progressing.

Wildfires burned a near-record 9.1 million acres in the United States this year. Four-

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teen fires — nearly all in the West — burned more than 100,000 acres.

Conditions are worsening, too. The fire season now last about two months longer than in past decades. The snowpack is disappearing more rapidly than in the past. And the country is seeing more "red-flag days" in which winds and temperatures are high and humidity is low, Sherman said.

"We have had a really rough summer," he said at the meeting in the Phoenix suburb of Paradise Valley.

The amount of work and costs of battling fires also are enormous. At least a third of the 193 million acres within the Forest Service's jurisdiction are in need of restora-

tion. This year, the Forest Service's fire budget was about \$950 million, but the agency ended up spending \$1.4 million suppressing fires, Sherman said.

Sherman said the federal government is pursuing much larger restoration projects than in the past. Traditionally, Washington's restoration projects were done in small increments, such as 500 acres. Today, the government is focusing on massive projects, such as restoring 750,000 acres in Arizona.

One example of collaboration cited by Sherman was between Washington and Denver splitting the costs of dredging a city reservoir that was polluted as a result of

fire. The result was that 40,000 acres of land in five drainage basins are being restored. Sherman also cited a voter-approved measure in Flagstaff to protect the city's water supply.

He also cited discussions with electric utility operators who are interested in restoration efforts as a way to protect power transmission lines from damage from fire.

Idaho Gov. C.L. "Butch" Otter said he thinks collaboration from communities needs to start before disaster hits.

Otter said certain Idaho

communities didn't want to take funding for wildfire preparations, so he upped the percentage of matching funds that those communi-

ties would need to provide in such projects, Otter said.

"That has changed a lot of attitudes in Idaho," Otter said.

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## Utah Lawmaker Seeks To Ban Abortion Based on Gender

**SALT LAKE CITY (AP)** • Women would be prohibited from having abortions based on whether they want a boy or a girl under legislation proposed by a Utah lawmaker.

State Sen. Margaret Dayton told the *Deseret News* that she also is considering preventing women from getting abortions based on the race of a baby.

Planned Parenthood of Utah Executive Director Karrie Galloway opposes the Orem Republican's proposed

"Gender Selection Abortion Prohibition" bill.

She says she views the bill as a "solution looking for a problem" because she's unaware of any abuse concerning such abortions.

The selective abortion of female fetuses is most common in countries where cultural norms value male children over female children, including parts of China, India and Pakistan.

Arizona, Oklahoma and Pennsylvania already ban sex-selective abortions.

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# Xavier to Stay Open this Year, Future Uncertain

BY JULIE WOOTTON  
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**TWIN FALLS •** Xavier Charter School will remain open this school year, but the school board is working to find a longer-term solution to financial issues.

About 40 people attended a meeting Friday night to hear a financial update.

Board chairwoman Debbi Burr said the board negotiated down the school building lease price to a cap of \$450,000 this fiscal year. The audience clapped in response.

“We needed to make sure we kept our doors open until at least the end of this (school) year,” she said.

There was a question about whether that would happen, she told meeting attendees.

Burr said the agreement fixes the financial problem until June 30, which is the end of the school’s fiscal year, but doesn’t address the future for the Twin Falls public charter school.

Xavier was originally slated to pay \$809,000 in rent to Twin Falls School Development LLC this fiscal year.

But Burr said the school can’t afford to pay more than \$450,000 per year on the school building on North College Road over the next decade.

Burr publicly thanked the school’s landlord Jed Stevenson, saying the school “would have been done” without the agreement over the lease amount.

As audience members listened to the financial update, rain water from a leaky section of the gym roof plopped into a few buckets on the floor.

## Lease Negotiations

Xavier’s lease agreement is set to run for 20 years, with a 1.5 percent increase in rent annually.

Burr said she thinks the intent among board members at the time it was signed was that they weren’t going to stay in a leasing arrangement for the long term.

This fiscal year, the school was set to pay \$809,000 in rent. That’s 30 percent of Xavier’s operating budget.

The school board spent nine months looking at what



Head of Schools Thad Biggers talks to the public as Xavier Charter School board chairwoman Debbi Burr, far left, looks on Friday at Xavier Charter School in Twin Falls.



(ABOVE) Xavier Charter School board chairwoman Debbi Burr talks to the public about the school’s financial situation. (RIGHT) Xavier Charter School board member James Wallace makes some talking points to the public before a question and answer period.

the lease meant. The determination: The school is bound by the legal document.

Over the past three years, Xavier has seen funding drop by about \$600,000, factoring in both state and federal funding cuts.

Burr said she doesn’t ex-

pect state funding for education to increase in the near future.

While Xavier has more flexibility with its curriculum and focus, the school can’t seek a supplemental levy to deal with the funding shortage like school districts can.



## The State’s Decision

In September, Xavier received a notice of defect by the Idaho Public Charter School Commission for “failure to demonstrate fiscal soundness.”

Although there were three items included in the notice, the main concern focused on the school building.

“It really boils down to the lease,” Burr said.

The commission will review Xavier’s corrective action plan during a Tuesday

meeting in Boise.

Burr told meeting attendees that the school board will go to the meeting with their landlord. They plan to bring a memorandum of understanding related to this fiscal year’s building lease price.

Burr said she’s hopeful the commission will lift the notice of defect.

If Xavier moves forward with purchasing the school building, Burr said investors in bonds want to see the school is fiscally stable.

As for the coming months, Burr said she hopes the board will be able to bring a resolution to financial issues to stakeholders following a Feb. 14 charter school commission meeting.

She said it would be “odd” if the commission revoked the school’s charter. Burr said the commission has expressed willingness to work with Xavier and that the school is doing well academically.

The school board will continue to negotiate with the landlord over a possible purchase price for the school building.

Burr said the price the school put on the table was more than \$5 million, but the landlord is asking for more.

Even though the school building isn’t perfect, Burr said owning it would allow for fundraising to customize it to meet the school’s needs.

## Teacher Pay

Xavier teachers took a 10 percent pay cut this year and Burr said the decision was made in order to keep the school’s doors open.

Teachers were set to take a 10 percent pay cut last year. But \$150,000 in unexpected state funding came in and was distributed to teachers, Burr said.

She said she wants to see the school be able to attract and retain quality employees.

Teacher Jolynn Heiner said she has taught for three years at Xavier and it has been wonderful, but there has been uncertainty during that time about the school’s operations and teachers can barely make a living.

Either things stabilize at the school, she said, or the dilemma is whether to leave to teach at another school.

# CWI Students Say Course Left Them Unprepared

**BOISE (AP) •** A course offered through the College of Western Idaho technology program moved students to a second year of study without adequately preparing them, the president of the school says.

“We had a program that didn’t rise to the occasion,” Bert Glandon told the *Idaho Statesman* in a story published Friday. “We had a program that moved students to a second year that didn’t adequately prepare them to the level they needed. Let me reassure you this will not occur again.”

He said the school is considering various options, including refunds. The two-year program can cost from \$6,500 to \$8,700 for full-time student tuition.

The college said 12 of the 30 students who enrolled in the Internetworking and Communications Technology program have complained. In September, nine

of them signed a letter to administrators saying the course fell short of preparing them for the next level.

“It is painfully obvious that we cannot continue the second-year curriculum as scheduled because the foundation of knowledge and training needed to proceed was not adequately provided last year,” the students wrote. “The consensus among us is that the first year of this program was a waste of our time and money.”

David Wood, who instructed the first-year students and is the department chairman, declined to comment.

Will Fanning, the school’s dean of professional technical education, defended the faculty.

“The student would say they weren’t taught,” he said. “I think the faculty would say either they didn’t understand or didn’t apply themselves, or they didn’t choose

to absorb that information.”

But he also said he plans to meet with all 12 students individually to work out a plan, and keep labs open during winter break to let students catch up. School officials plan to take recommendations on what to do to the College of Western Idaho board on Dec. 10.

“We are deeply concerned about the students and support actions to establish individual plans for each of the students to ensure they

reach their goals and are satisfied with the education received at CWI,” board chairman Stan Bastian said in a statement.

Mike Brown, 35, was one of the students who complained. He said the program was supposed to meet five days a week but met for only three, and that classes that were supposed to be four hours lasted only two.

“The first five weeks was such a joke,” said Brown, who borrowed \$12,000 to

help pay for his education, and called Fanning’s suggestion that students didn’t apply themselves insulting.

“I don’t know how much more work I could have put in,” said Brown, a drummer who enrolled in 2011 to help get a job that doesn’t require traveling with a band.

Scott Wheelock, 44, said he discovered gaps from his first year of school during his second year when it came to securing routers against outside threats.

“It just became more and more apparent that we had basic holes in our education that wouldn’t allow us to successfully complete the security program,” he said.

Fanning said the school didn’t find out about the concerns students had until this year.

“The sad reality is the students didn’t communicate with us last year,” Fanning said, defending the program. “It produces good results. It produces them consistently.”



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# Family: Utah Boy Who Killed Himself Was Bullied

**TAYLORSVILLE, Utah (AP)** • The family of a 14-year-old boy who committed suicide outside a school in a Salt Lake City suburb says he was a victim of bullying.

David Q. Phan was released early to his mother on Thursday from Bennion Junior High in Taylorsville before he returned an hour and a half later to a corner of the campus, where he shot himself in front of students.

“David had been bullied for the past few years. He would come home crying sometimes,” the teen’s cousin, Vy Lake, told the *Deseret News*.

“Bullies would walk home with him, taunting him and throwing things at him. After ignoring them didn’t work, he started fighting back and got into trouble at school because of this,” added Lake, who spoke on behalf of the boy’s parents.

But the family neither wants to point a finger at anyone for the suicide, Lake said, nor speculate that his death was the result of bullying.

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**Vy Lake**, David Q. Phan’s cousin

a blame on anyone,” Lake said. “We just wish everyone would be more aware to bullying in the schools, and a little friendlier to their peers.”

Granite School District spokesman Ben Horsley said school officials stayed in close contact with Phan after he reported “a bullying concern several years ago.”

“Counselors have further remained in close regular contact with (him) because of other issues in his personal life,” Horsley said in a statement. “Despite specific

personal inquiries, David never reported any further bullying concerns and on the contrary, reported that things were going well.”

The teen also was “facing significant personal challenges on multiple fronts,” but Horsley declined to elaborate.

While his family is of Vietnamese heritage, Phan was born in Utah.

At a candlelight vigil for the teen on Friday, family members said he faced constant torment from bullies.

His older brother, Don Phan, tried to make sense of the shooting as he stood in front of candles, flowers and a picture of the teen.

“Why? He loved everyone unconditionally,” Don Phan told KTVX-TV. “I guess it just wasn’t enough. It wasn’t enough to stop the bullying.”

The boy’s cousin, Sue Lake, described incidents in which students stole Phan’s gym clothes and sent him mean messages on Valentine’s Day.

“I know kids would follow him home and call him names,” she said. “I told him, ‘You just have to ignore it.’”

# Nevada Election Officer Sues Conservative Group

**BY SANDRA CHEREB**  
*Associated Press*

**CARSON CITY, Nev.** • Nevada’s top election official has filed a civil lawsuit against Americans for Prosperity, alleging the Republican conservative group violated state election laws by not registering in the state or filing donor contribution reports.

The suit filed in state court in Carson City late Friday by Secretary of State Ross Miller claims the group founded by billionaire brothers Charles and David Koch engaged in “express advocacy” against Kelvin Atkinson, a state Senate candidate who won both the Democratic primary in June and the November general election.

In a statement Saturday, Adam Stryker, AFP state di-

rector, said the complaint filed by the attorney general’s office on behalf of the Democratic secretary of state is politically motivated.

“The secretary of state has made it clear his ideology conflicts with that of AFP, and this is not the first time his position has been used to harass those with whom he disagrees,” Stryker said. “The attorney gen-

eral’s office’s resources unfortunately are being misused to advance Secretary Miller’s partisan agenda.

“We fully expect this charge to be dismissed in court, as all frivolous complaints should be. AFP will not be intimidated from continuing with its good work of advancing economic freedom for all Americans.”

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*Daniel Cissney, 52, watches as an overflowing Stillwater Creek nearly floods his home on in Mountain Gate, Calif., on Friday. Heavy rains Thursday night drenched the area, leading to some localized flooding.*

# Third Major Storm Moving into N. Calif.

BY JOHN S. MARSHALL  
AND TERRY COLLINS  
*Associated Press*

**SAN FRANCISCO** • Another major storm moving into Northern California was expected to bring more pouring rain, flooding and additional problems to an area already soaked after two major storms, forecasters said Saturday.

Residents of Northern California enjoyed just a bit of a respite, but the next storm — the third in a string of powerful weather systems to hit the region since Wednesday — is expected to force several rivers over their banks after it arrives Saturday evening, National Weather Service forecasters said.

With rivers and streams already running high and the ground saturated from the previous storms, the National Weather Service issued flood warnings early Saturday for both the Napa and Russian rivers, two rivers north of San Francisco with a history of flooding, National Weather Service hydrologist Mark Strudley said.

“Some roads will become inundated and some of the

agricultural areas will take on some water,” Strudley said.

The Napa River was expected to flood near St. Helena and Napa around noon on today, while the Russian River was expected to flood near Guerneville early Monday morning, Strudley said.

The Napa River overwhelmed downtown Napa in 2005, flooding or destroying about 1,000 homes and forcing thousands of residents to leave the area.

With that in mind, residents worked to fill 700 bags with 10 tons of sand Saturday morning, city official Danny Lerma said.

“When you see it happen, you always remember, and you say, ‘I’m going to be better prepared,’” Lerma told KGO-TV. “And that’s what they’re doing right now.”

Forecasters also issued flood warnings for the Truckee River near Lake Tahoe and the Susan River in Lassen County, as well as the Eel, Navarro and Van Duzen rivers in far Northern California.

A flash flood watch was also in effect for a wide area of Northern California through this evening.

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## OBITUARIES

### Bertha Block

July 3, 1918-Nov. 18, 2012

**TWIN FALLS** • Bertha (Kulm) Block, age 94, of Jerome, passed away at Cenoma House in Twin Falls on Sunday, Nov. 18, 2012.

She was born in American Falls, Idaho, on July 3, 1918, to Jacob C. and Christina Kulm, who emigrated from the Ukraine in 1902. They moved to Jerome when Bertha was 5, where she graduated from Jerome High School in 1937.

In 1938, she married William (Bill) Block and they began a 24-year career in farming. They purchased a farm in 1940 southeast of Jerome and developed a registered, prize-winning Holstein dairy herd. For many years, Bertha served as leader of the Canyonside 4-H Club, was active in the Grange and made hundreds of multi-layered, finely decorated wedding cakes. In 1962, they sold their dairy farm, bought a Richfield area wheat farm plus a Twin Falls motel, and Bertha baked pies and made salads for a Twin Falls restaurant.

In 1964, Bill became manager of the Jerome County Jail, while Bertha prepared meals for the prisoners and began a 14-year career with the Wrangler restaurant. In 1969, Bill became sextant of the Jerome Cemetery and together they took up RV travel, bowling and snowmobiling for 10-15 years. They particularly enjoyed the Oregon coast, where they joined relatives for a month of crabbing and salmon fishing and Bertha was forever proud of the 40-pound salmon she caught. However, her new love was her water and acrylic paintings that won many blue ribbons and Best of Class honors at area fairs and shows. She was a member of the Jerome Art Guild for more than 20 years. Her children, grandchildren and many others are the proud owners of one or more of her paintings. Bertha served six years as secretary of the Lutheran Women's Missionary League and coordinated dinners for numerous functions; for many years she assisted the Jerome Senior Citizens Center, and for 14 years she delivered "Meals on Wheels" on a 25-30-mile route north of Jerome. Through her tal-



ents, energy and love of people, Bertha impacted many people.

Her family extends their sincere appreciation for the love and care provided by Xandra Smith and Maria Fedenza in her home, and for those who cared for her during the last eight months at the Cenoma House in Twin Falls. Many thanks to Pastor Jennings and former Pastor Camin of St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Jerome, and relatives and friends who shared their prayers and love with Bertha during her declining health.

She is survived by a sister, Elsie West of San Jose, Calif.; a sister-in-law, Esther Kulm of Ontario, Ore.; her three children, Connie (Gene) Allen of St. Paul, Minn., Delbert "Bill" (Sharon) Block of Twin Falls, Idaho, and Kelly (Kitty) Block of Milpitas, Calif. In addition, she has four grandchildren, Kerry (Jim) Minarik and Tammy (Scott) Woker of Woodbury, Minn., Brian Block of Portland, Ore., and Rachelle (Eric) Poss of Denver, Colo.; and four great-grandchildren, Alex and Olivia Woker and Cassidy and Tyler Minarik of Woodbury, Minn. She was preceded in death by her parents and eight siblings, Pauline, Ida, Anna, Esther, Leona, Albert, Otto and Harold.

There will be an opportunity to pay your last respects to Bertha at 10 a.m. Monday, Dec. 3, at St. Paul's Lutheran Church, 1301 N. Davis St. in Jerome. A service for Bertha will be held at 11 a.m. The service will be followed by interment at the Jerome Cemetery and a luncheon back at the church. In lieu of flowers, it is suggested that memorials be made to St. Paul's Lutheran Church. Arrangements are under the care and direction of Demaray-Robertson Funeral Chapel.

### Doris (Durfee) Gibbons

Nov. 25, 1917-Nov. 30, 2012

**REXBURG** • Doris Gibbons, 95, passed away of natural causes Friday, Nov. 30, 2012, at the home of her daughter, Joyce Dye in Rexburg, Idaho.

She was born Nov. 25, 1917, in Almo, Idaho, to the parents of Lorenzo Durfee and Anna Abby Bruesch Durfee. She was the sixth of 12 children. Doris spent many happy days working beside her father, Lorenzo, on their ranch and exploring the City of Rocks near her home. She loved the outdoors and would much rather be outside than in the kitchen cooking. She developed her love for horses and fishing as a result of rides to the lakes above Albion, Idaho, with her siblings and cousins.

She attended grade school in Almo and, when she graduated from eighth grade, she went to Albion to high school. It was while she was in Albion that she met Eugene J. Gibbons. They met their senior year and were married Dec. 20, 1937, in the Salt Lake Temple. After Gene graduated from the Albion Normal School, they moved to Bliss, Idaho, where Gene taught school. The following year, they moved to Gooding, Idaho, where Gene's career in education expanded from teacher, to principal, to superintendent. Throughout the years, they were blessed with seven children, six boys and one girl.

Doris was a talented quilter, knitter and cook. Many of her children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren were favored with knitted hats, afghans and sweaters. Her quilts won several ribbons at the county fair and were beautifully sewn together. Christmas was a very anticipated holiday for neighbors, friends and family because Doris would share her famous doughnuts and fudge.

Doris was a member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. She served in many church callings in the Relief Society and the Primary. Her favorite was playing the piano in Primary. She and Gene served a mission in the Church Employment Center and as ordinance workers in the Boise Temple. After her children started school, Doris worked as a high school secretary and



later as a bookkeeper at a department store in Gooding. She and Gene bought a small acreage, where they raised chickens and a large beautiful garden with fruit trees. Doris loved growing things and was always trying new things to grow like lemon and lime trees and peanuts. Her favorite pastime was going on trail rides with Gene on their horses, Bara and Chico.

Doris is survived by her brother, Louis Durfee of Gooding, Idaho; brother, Leland Durfee of Rupert, Idaho; sister, Aileen Jensen of Coeur d'Alene, Idaho; sister, LaRae Taylor of Salt Lake City, Utah; sister, Naomi Reed of Bountiful, Utah; sister, Bernus Waite of Gooding, Idaho; son, Larry (Judy) Gibbons of Mountain Home, Idaho; son, Ray Gibbons of Meridian, Idaho; son, Leland (Marilyn) Gibbons of Vernal, Utah; son, Jerry (Kelly) Gibbons of Kimberly, Idaho; son, Terry (Sheryl) Gibbons of Jerome, Idaho; daughter, Joyce (Bruce) Dye of Rexburg, Idaho; son, John (Linda) Gibbons of Alexandria, Va.; 34 grandchildren; and 88 great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Eugene of 64 years; five brothers, Elbert Durfee, Rulon Durfee, Kenneth Durfee, Jay Durfee and Boyd Durfee; and two grandchildren, Jana Lee Gibbons and Dena Kay Dye.

The funeral will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 8, at the Gooding LDS 1st Ward Church, 1228 Main St. in Gooding, Idaho, with Bishop Ian Kunz officiating. The family will visit with friends from 9:45 to 10:45 a.m. prior to the service Saturday at the church. Burial will be in Elmwood Cemetery in Gooding.

Condolences may be sent to the family at [www.flammfh.com](http://www.flammfh.com).

### Beverly Jean Gorringer

July 4, 1938-Nov. 29, 2012

**BURLEY** • Beverly Jean Gorringer, age 74, of Burley, passed away Thursday, Nov. 29, 2012, at Parke View Rehabilitation and Care Center in Burley.

She was born July 4, 1938, in Burley, Idaho, the daughter of James Thomas and Hanna Lorena Wixsom Prescott. She received her education in Burley and graduated from Burley High School. She married Earl Dee Gorringer on Sept. 16, 1956, in Kleen, Texas. She worked at the J.R. Simplot Company in Heyburn for 20 years and then for the State of Idaho Department of Health and Welfare until her retirement after more than 20 years of service. She loved her family and people and was always willing to do anything for anyone. She was also a member of the LDS Church.

Survivors include her husband, Dee Gorringer of Burley; one son, Curtis (Camie) Gorringer of Fairfield, Idaho; her stepchildren, Leana (Ron) Blackwood and Kenny



Gorringer, all of Twin Falls, Idaho; nine grandchildren; 17 great-grandchildren; and a sister, Twila (William) Satchwell of Pocatello, Idaho. Beverly was preceded in death by her parents; 10 brothers and sisters; a daughter; one son; and a stepgrandson.

A graveside service will be held at 1 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 4, at the Oakley Cemetery with Dallan Elquist officiating. Friends may call from 6 until 8 p.m. Monday, Dec. 3, at the Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St. in Burley.

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### Charles 'Chuck' James Abundis

June 12, 1954-Oct. 26, 2012

**GIG HARBOR, Wash.** • Charles "Chuck" James Abundis, 58, passed away in his sleep Friday, Oct. 26, 2012.

He was born in Jerome, Idaho, on June 12, 1954, to Raymond and Charlotte Lopez Abundis. He was residing in Gig Harbor, Wash., at the time of his death. Chuck attended St. Edward's School, O'Leary Junior High and graduated in 1972 from Twin Falls High School. He also attended Southwestern Community College in Coos Bay, Ore.

He is survived by his two daughters, Sheilah Harmon of Atlanta, Ga., and Misty Johnson (Chris Chandler) of Kimberly, Idaho; his son, Ben Abundis of Sun Valley, Idaho; four grandsons, Christian Harmon of Atlanta, Ga., and Christopher, Jeffery and Lucas Chandler of Kimberly; his three brothers, Raymond, Doug and Peter Abundis, all of Washington; and seven sisters, Angie (Dave) Huntsman of Iona, Idaho, Stephanie (Gary) Malone of Twin Falls, Idaho, Marilyn (Cary) Molsee of Pocatello, Idaho, Betty (Mark) Himes of Las Vegas, Nev., and Anita Abundis, Laura Tripp and Amy (Dan) Evans, all of Washington. He was preceded in death by his parents; and



two brothers, Andrew and Johnny.

Chuck had several occupations. His favorite was commercial fishing off the coast of Oregon and California and farming in Fairfield, Idaho. He enjoyed baseball, yard sales, cooking, Indian lore and traveling. He loved his country and was amazed in its beauty and wildlife encountered in his travels.

A private family viewing and an open house celebration of life was held Nov. 3.



## OBITUARIES

## Margaret 'Peggy' Helen Aldrich

Dec. 14, 1910-Nov. 14, 2012

**SACRAMENTO, Calif.** • Margaret "Peggy" Aldrich passed away Wednesday, Nov. 14, 2012, from complications suffered after a stroke and fall, with her daughter and granddaughter at her side. She was a month shy of 102 years old.

Peggy was born in Pierce, Colo., on Dec. 14, 1910, to Helen Sophia and Charlie C. Rogers, the youngest of two children. Her family moved to Buhl, Idaho, in 1914 by covered wagon, where she was raised along with her older brother, Walter Rogers of Klamath Falls, Ore. She married William M. Aldrich (Bill) on May 5, 1930. They had one daughter, Barbara Kienzle of Sacramento, Calif. Peggy was a devoted wife, mother and grandmother. She had many interests and talents. She was a gifted seamstress and won prizes at the county fair for her afghans. She painted china and mastered tole painting. She was a wonderful cook. She took an interest in politics at a young age and worked on the election board for 57 years. She was an active member of Easter Star for 79 years plus PEO, Daughters of the Nile and wife of a longstanding Mason and Shriner. Peggy and Bill enjoyed dancing, bowling and golf. They loved to picnic with friends and take long drives in the country looking for rocks. They loved hosting sit-down dinners with friends and family. Margaret spent the last nine years of her life in Sacramento, Calif., living with her daughter.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Helen



Sophia and Charlie C. Rogers; brother, Walt Rogers; and husband, William Aldrich. She is survived by her daughter, Barbara Kienzle of Sacramento, Calif.; four grandchildren, Roiyn Bell of Santa Barbara, Calif.; Julie Bell of Sacramento, Calif.; Christie Cunningham (Michael) of Sacramento, Calif.; and John Bell (Barbara) of Sheridan, Calif.; six great-grandchildren; two great-great-grandchildren; 15 step-grandchildren; and niece, Joann (Chuck) Deloach of Mountain Home, Idaho.

The family of Margaret Aldrich would like to thank Dr. Carl Halr and Dr. Scott Baion for their kindness, advice and wonderful care. Margaret spent the last two months of her life at Sacramento Subacute Skilled Nursing Facility. Thank you to the staff, nurses and CNAs who gave her care and compassion during her stay.

A celebration of life will be held in the spring of 2013 for friends and family in Buhl, Idaho. Details will follow.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to Shriner's Hospital in Salt Lake City, Utah.

## Frances Ellen (Hill) True

**TWIN FALLS** • Frances Ellen (Hill) True, of Twin Falls, passed away Tuesday, Nov. 27, 2012, at her home.

Frances was born in Hansen, Idaho, the first child of H. Burton and Mary Lorene Hill. She lived in the Magic Valley all of her life and graduated from Murtaugh High School. She married Francis L. (Bus) True in Murtaugh. They later moved to Twin Falls, where they owned and operated Long's Radio and TV Service for many years. Frances also worked for Mountain States Telephone and Telegraph Company both prior to and following her marriage.

She is survived by Francis L. (Bus) True, her husband of 65 years; two daughters, Marsha True (Ted Argyle) of

Boise and Claudia True (Terry Jacobson) of Twin Fall; and two grandchildren, Erin Argyle of Boise and Brad Jacobson of Twin Falls. Also surviving are brothers, William R. (Virginia) Hill of Jerome, Norman (Beth) Hill of Pocatello and Jerry (JoAnn) Hill of Klamath Falls, Ore.; and sister, Karen (Mervin) Mueller of Twin Falls. She is also survived by her dear friend and sister-in-law, Ina Mae Deleski; and several nieces and nephews and their children. She was preceded in death by her parents, four brothers and two sisters.

Per Frances' request, no formal service will be held at this time. Memorial donations may be made to the charity of your choice.

## RICK MAJERUS, COLLEGE BASKETBALL COACH, DIES

**LOS ANGELES (AP)** • Rick Majerus, the jovial college basketball coach who led Utah to the 1998 NCAA final and had only one losing season in 25 years with four schools, died Saturday. He was 64.

He ended the school's 12-year NCAA tournament

drought last season with a 26-win team that won its opening game and took top regional seed Michigan State to the wire. The Billikens were ranked for the first time since 1994-95.

He had his most success at Utah, going 323-95 from 1989-2004.

## DEATH NOTICES

## 'Skeet' Donaldson

**GOODING** • Beaudine L. "Skeet" Donaldson, 79, of Gooding, died Monday, Nov. 26, 2012, at her home.

A celebration of life will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 8, at Demaray Funeral Service, Gooding Chapel.

## Bob Morse

**JEROME** • Bob G. Morse, 81, of Jerome, died Sunday, Nov. 25, 2012, in Jerome.

Arrangements will be announced by Farnsworth Mortuary of Jerome.

## Susan Watkins

**TWIN FALLS** • Susan Watkins, 60, of Twin Falls, died Friday, Nov. 30, 2012.

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

## Forrest Zemke

**BURLEY** • Forrest LeGrande Zemke, 88, of Burley, died Saturday, Dec. 1, 2012, at Cassia Regional Medical Center in Burley.

Arrangements will be announced by Morrison Funeral Home in Rupert.

## Francis Dennis

**TWIN FALLS** • Francis K. Dennis, 54, of Twin Falls, died Saturday, Dec. 1, 2012, at her home.

Arrangements will be announced by Farmer Funeral Chapel in Buhl.



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## SERVICES

**Lila Geraldine Whaley** of Buhl, funeral at 11 a.m. Monday at the Buhl First Assembly of God Church; visitation from 10 to 11 a.m. Monday at the church (Farmer Funeral Chapel in Buhl).

**Gertrude McKinley Garey Ellis** of Twin Falls, celebration of life at 2 p.m. Monday at Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Road in Twin Falls.

**Kenna Ensign** of Ceres, Calif., and formerly of Twin Falls, committal service at 10 a.m. Tuesday at Sunset Memorial Park in Twin Falls; visitation from 6 to 8 p.m. Monday at White Mortuary in Twin Falls.

**Izetta Hardin** of Buhl, memorial service at 2 p.m. Wednesday at the Buhl United Methodist Church (Demaray Funeral Service, Wendell Chapel).

**Phillip E. Clough** of Twin Falls, celebration of life at 11 a.m. Dec. 17 at Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Road in Twin Falls.

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# High Court Examines EPA Logging Road Regulations

BY JEFF BARNARD  
Associated Press

**GRANTS PASS, Ore.** • The U.S. Supreme Court will decide whether to switch gears on more than 30 years of regulating the muddy water running off logging roads into rivers.

At issue: Should the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency keep considering it the same as water running off a farm field, or start looking at it like a pipe coming out of a factory?

The case being heard Monday in Washington, D.C., was originated by a small environmental group in Portland, the Northwest Environmental Defense Center.

It sued the Oregon Department of Forestry over roads on the Tillamook State Forest that drain into salmon streams. The lawsuit argued that the Clean Water Act specifically says water running through the kinds of ditches and culverts built to handle storm water runoff from logging roads is a point source of pollution when it flows directly into a river, and requires the same sort of permit that a factory needs.

“We brought this out of a perceived sense of unfairness,” said Mark Riskedahl, director of the center. “Every other industrial sector across the country had to get this sort of permit for stormwater discharge,” and the process has been very effective at reducing pollution.

The pollution running off logging roads, most of them gravel or dirt, is primarily muddy water stirred up by trucks. Experts have long identified sediment dumped in streams as



Logger Eric Davis runs down the road as a truck loaded with logs is readied in the forest near Banks, Ore., Friday. The U.S. Supreme Court will hear a case Monday regarding regulation of water runoff from logging roads.

harmful to salmon and other fish.

The center lost in U.S. District Court in Portland, but won in the 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in San Francisco. The Oregon Department of Forestry and Georgia Pacific-West appealed to the Supreme Court, and 31 states threw in with them.

“We brought this out of a perceived sense of unfairness. Every other industrial sector across the country had to get this sort of permit for stormwater discharge,” and the process has been very effective at reducing pollution.”

Mark Riskedahl, director of the Northwest Environmental Defense Center



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Crime scene tape surrounds the home of Casper College professors Jim Krumm and Heidi Arnold on Saturday in Casper, Wyo.

## Police: Six Students in Classroom before Wyoming College Attack

BY MEAD GRUVER  
Associated Press

**CASPER, Wyo.** • Only a handful of students were in a Wyoming community college classroom when a man barged in with a bow and arrow and two knives, and killed the instructor and then himself.

Casper police spokesman Justin Smith says authorities believe “around six” students were in the Casper College computer science class Friday morning when 25-year-old Christopher Krumm, of Vernon, Conn., entered and attacked his father, the instructor.

Casper Police Chief Chris Walsh says Christopher Krumm had first fatally stabbed his father’s live-in girlfriend, 42-year-old Heidi Arnold, at the couple’s home about two miles away.

Christopher Krumm then went to the college and shot his father, 56-year-old

James Krumm, in the head with the high-powered bow and arrow before stabbing himself with a large knife.

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Icicles form on a Twin Falls Canal Co. canal during the winter in this file photo.

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# State Works To Reduce Water Permit Backlog

BY KIMBERLEE KRUESI  
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**BOISE** • The Idaho Department of Water Resources faces an uphill battle in its effort to reduce its backlog of water right permits. On April 1 this year, the Idaho Department of Water Resources had close to 3,200 water right permits pending approval, with more being submitted every week, said Shelley Keen, a manager with IDWR. Water rights don't give users ownership of the water, but authorizes their preapproved use. Each water right defines the permit's beneficial use and place, purpose, and season of use. It also includes the quantity of water being used and point of diversion. "For decades the department has struggled to approve permits," Keen said during the Idaho Water Users Association meeting in

Boise on Thursday. "Over the past 10 years, we've had years we approved almost no permits because we were either updating our system or going over adjudication review." Earlier this year, IDWR Director Gary Spackman pointed to reducing the backlog as one of the key goals he wants to accomplish over the next few years. Spackman said the department is already showing signs of success of lowering the mounting pile of pending permits. The progress is due mainly to Spackman's decision to allocate more staff and more resources to the project. IDWR staff has already approved close to 640 water rights so far this year, said Dan Nelson, who was recently moved to IDWR's water right approval department. In the past, IDWR approved an average of little more than 500 rights per year.

However, IDWR water right supervisor Craig Saxton said the reason the department has been so successful thus far is because it has tackled smaller water rights. Most staff time has been spent approving water rights with less than 1.4 cubic feet per second of water. "We don't have to go out in the field to approve these permits," he said. "When we get to the larger rights, it's going to take longer." By not going out to the individual sites, the department has saved almost \$15,600, Saxton said. However, he stressed that if the department is going to reduce the backlog, more resources are needed. "We still have a lot to do," he said. "The effort is not sustainable at its current level. Staff is working with aging equipment. We need new resources and more experienced staff."



A view of a Twin Falls Canal Co. lateral north of Kimberly on July 16.

ASHLEY SMITH • TIMES-NEWS FILE PHOTO

## Water Community Worries about Clean Water Suits

BY KIMBERLEE KRUESI  
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**BOISE** • The Clean Water Act may exempt irrigators from filing a permit to send leftover water back into a canal. But that doesn't mean they're not facing increased scrutiny. The warning was addressed by attorney Andy Walder to a packed audience at the Idaho Water Users Association meeting on Thursday. Walder explained that environmental groups are ramping up their activities under a citizen supervision section of the act. The National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System permit applies to individuals discharging water in canals, ditches, or other water sources considered "waters of the U.S." Irrigators are exempted from applying for permits but only if their discharge is "entirely of" return flows from irrigated agriculture, Walder said. The federal act uses the permits to protect U.S. water bodies from harmful pollutants. "For decades, the (U.S. Environ-

mental Protection Agency) looked the other way on making sure the 'entirely of' portion was enforced," Walder said. "But environmental groups are now filing suits to expose irrigator entities to litigation." The increased citizen involvement is included in a provision in the Clean Water Act, which allows anyone to file a lawsuit against those they feel are in violation of the law. If guilty, violators face crippling high fees. EPA fines peak as high as \$37,000 per day for every day of noncompliance. Walder urged irrigators to monitor their return flows in order to avoid a lawsuit. "We are living in a time where you have to dot your Is and cross your Ts," Walder said. Along with the pollutant load permit, Walder said federal officials are also going after municipalities' compliance with their stormwater permits. "We are very concerned," Walder said. "Enforcement is the mantra of the day, unfortunately."

# Stalled Farm Bill Creates Headaches for FSA Staff

BY MELISSA DAVLIN  
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**TWIN FALLS** • Haven't heard updates on the Farm Bill lately? Neither has the Farm Service Agency bureau in Twin Falls. "We are anxiously waiting and there have been no updates. No updates whatsoever," said Lance Phillips, county executive director for the Twin Falls County FSA office. While the nation's financial crisis is dominating Congress right now, the stalled farm bill is on the forefront of Magic Valley's farmers' minds. The farm bill is updated every five years, but the current one expired Sept. 30. Though the Senate passed a farm bill earlier this year, the House hasn't yet considered it, and hasn't proposed one of its own. What's the hold-up? Though it's called the Farm Bill, the legislation also includes

food stamp benefits, which make up 80 percent of the cost. Though the Senate bill had reductions in food stamps, it wasn't enough for the Republican-controlled House, which wanted deeper cuts to the program. Right now, there's nothing to tell farmers and producers, Phillips said. He's avoiding speculating on what the next year might bring. FSA is focusing instead on programs that still have funding, such as the crop reporting program. "We're still keeping busy," Phillips said. It's likely Congress will hammer out a deal by March, when funding for many current programs expires. That doesn't give FSA workers a lot of time to figure out the new programs, Phillips said. The legislation provides basic language, and federal departments need to hammer out the specific rules for

the programs. That likely won't happen until summer, giving FSA staff a few short months to learn the new programs before implementing them that fall. For the Twin Falls staff, the training will be critical for proposed changes to the MILC — or Milk Income Loss Contract — program and the Direct and Counter-Cyclical Payments. Those are among the Farm Bill components that affect Magic Valley farmers and producers the most. The delay is also affecting farmers and producers' ability to budget for the next year. Without knowing the fate of DCP — which gives farmers annual payments computed from the base acres of their farm — farmers have a harder time knowing how much money they'll have to work with. "Although that wasn't a huge factor, I can't give them any guidance," Phillips said.

## Talk Sugar Beets in Burley

TIMES-NEWS

**BURLEY** • Boosting sugar content, insect control and how to manage limited irrigation water will all be on the schedule Dec. 13 at the University of Idaho's 2012 Snake River Sugar Beet Conference. The annual conference will be at the Best Western Burley Inn and Convention Center, just south of

Interstate 84 in Burley. Preregistration of \$25 is due by Dec. 7; after that date, the price rises to \$35. Certified crop adviser and pesticide applicator credits for Idaho and Oregon will be available to conference participants. To register: Kathy Garofano, 208-736-3600. For more information about the conference: Oliver Neher, 208-423-6688 or oneher@uidaho.edu.

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# Idaho Officials, U.S. Companies Join Trade Mission to Russia

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**TWIN FALLS** • Representatives of the state of Idaho and 23 U.S. companies and organizations will be part of a trade mission to Russia starting Monday.

According to the U.S. Department of Agriculture, the trade mission — which lasts through Friday — is the second of two such major ventures this year. The first was to China in March.

Companies and groups attending include Alltech Inc. and the Idaho Potato Commission. Along with Idaho, delegations from four other states will also be part of the venture.

With its recent World Trade Organization accession and rapidly expanding economy, USDA offi-

cials view Russia as an important market for U.S. agricultural products. Their goal during the trade mission is to provide participants with first-hand market information, access to government decision-makers and one-on-one meetings with business contacts, potential agents, distributors and importers — all tools needed to enter or expand their presence in the Russian market.

Two-way agricultural trade between the United States and Russia was valued at roughly \$1.5 billion in fiscal year 2012, with American farm exports accounting for 97 percent of the total. Top U.S. exports include red meat, poultry, live cattle and tree nuts.

## COMMODITIES WRAPUP

**Soft white wheat (Magic Valley avg.)**  
Nov. 8 — \$8.05/bu.  
Nov. 15 — \$7.75/bu.  
Nov. 23 — not available  
Nov. 30 — \$8.25/bu.

**Hard red winter wheat (Magic Valley avg.)**  
Nov. 8 — no quote  
Nov. 15 — no quote  
Nov. 23 — not available  
Nov. 30 — \$8.42/bu.

**Feed barley (Magic Valley avg.)**  
Nov. 8 — \$12.70/cwt  
Nov. 15 — \$12.63/cwt  
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**Idaho hay report — Nov. 30**  
Supreme hay — \$215  
Fair hay — \$170 to \$180

**Dec. 2012 corn futures (CME)**  
Nov. 8 — \$7.4125/bu  
Nov. 15 — \$7.21.25/bu.  
Nov. 23 — \$7.4550/bu.  
Nov. 30 — \$7.5150/bu.

**March 2013 corn futures (CME)**  
Nov. 8 — \$7.4325/bu.  
Nov. 15 — \$7.25/bu.  
Nov. 23 — \$7.4975/bu.  
Nov. 30 — \$7.5875/bu.

**Class III Nov. 2012 futures contract (CME)**  
Nov. 9 — \$20.78/cwt.  
Nov. 15 — \$20.72/cwt.  
Nov. 23 — \$20.71/cwt.  
Nov. 30 — \$20.80/cwt.

**Class III Jan. 2013 futures contract (CME)**  
Nov. 9 — \$19.49/cwt.  
Nov. 15 — \$18.56/cwt.  
Nov. 23 — \$18.83/cwt.  
Nov. 30 — \$18.79.cwt.

**Spot cheddar cheese block price (CME)**  
Nov. 9 — \$1.9200/lb.  
Nov. 15 — \$1.8250/lb.  
Nov. 21 — \$1.8250/lb.  
Nov. 30 — \$1.7600/lb.

**Spot cheddar cheese barrel price (CME)**  
Nov. 9 — \$1.8350/lb.  
Nov. 15 — \$1.7225/lb.  
Nov. 21 — \$1.7450/lb.  
Nov. 30 — \$171.25/lb.

**Dec. 2012 live cattle futures contract (CME)**  
Nov. 9 — \$125.700/cwt.  
Nov. 16 — \$126.150/cwt.  
Nov. 23 — \$128.950/cwt.  
Nov. 30 — \$126.725/cwt.

**Feb. 2013 live cattle futures contract (CME)**  
Nov. 9 — \$129.350/cwt.  
Nov. 16 — \$130.025.cwt.  
Nov. 23 — \$132.725/cwt.  
Nov. 30 — \$130.400.cwt.

**Jan. 2013 feeder cattle contract (CME)**  
Nov. 9 — \$145.600/cwt.  
Nov. 16 — \$145.600/cwt.  
Nov. 23 — \$147.875/cwt.  
Nov. 30 — \$145.625/cwt.

**March 2013 feeder cattle contract (CME)**  
Nov. 16 — \$148.125/cwt.  
Nov. 23 — \$150.425.cwt.  
Nov. 30 — \$148.425/cwt.

## Bean Prices Steady

Dealer prices continue to be steady as markets were relatively quiet after last week's Thanksgiving holiday. Grower prices were steady across most classes, with Great Northerns in Nebraska and black beans in North Dakota, Minnesota and Michigan remaining strong. Spot trades have been limited with the majority of the movement consisting of previously contracted beans.

USDA-National Agricultural Statistics Service has forecasted dry edible pea production to be up 23 percent from last year in Idaho and Washington, and lentil production to be up 3 percent from the previous year.

According to NASS, dry edible pea production in North Dakota and Montana is forecasted to be up 142 percent compared to last year, with the largest increase in production noted in North Dakota. Lentil production is forecasted to be up 14 percent from the previous year in North Dakota and Montana.

## Potato Processing Down from 2011

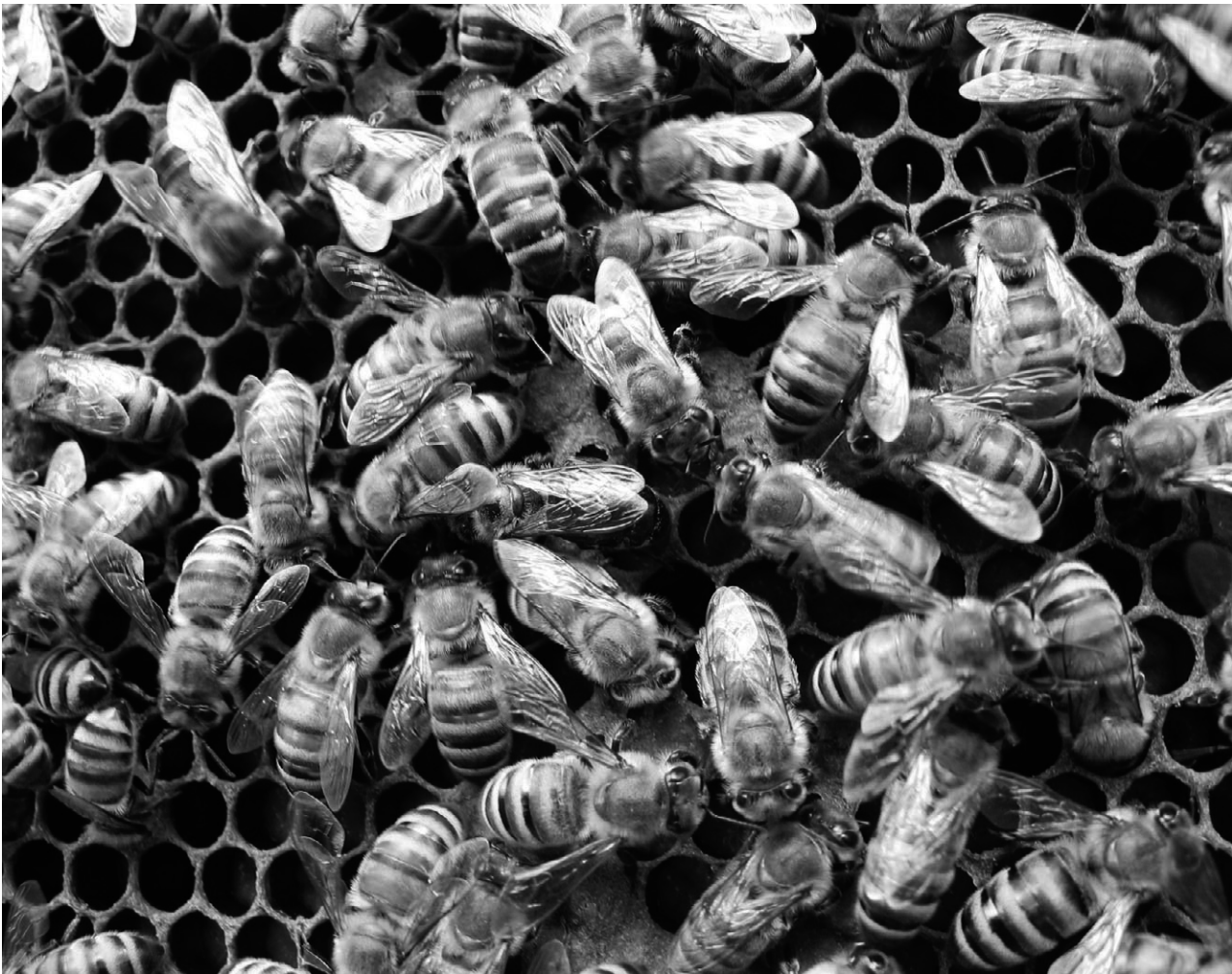
Processors in Idaho and Malheur County, Ore., have used 19.5 million hundredweight (cwt) of 2012 crop raw potatoes to Nov. 1, down 5 percent from last year. Idaho potatoes accounted for 15.4 million cwt of the total processed, according to the National Agricultural Statistics Service. The remaining 4.08 million cwt were produced in other states. Processors in Washington and other Oregon counties have used 26.3 million cwt. of 2012 crop raw potatoes to Nov. 1, up 9 percent from last year.

## Idaho Milk Production Up

Idaho milk production during October 2012 totaled 1.13 billion pounds, a 0.9 percent increase from the same month last year, and a 1.1 percent increase from September 2012, according to the National Agricultural Statistics Service. September 2012 milk production was revised to 1.12 billion pounds, down 2.1 percent.

Average milk production per cow in October 2012 was 1,960 pounds, up 30 pounds from last year's level. The average number of milk cows during October was 577,000 head, down 4,000 head from October 2011.

— Cindy Snyder



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# Corporations Make Bee Health a Priority

BY CINDY SNYDER  
*For the Times-News*

**BOISE** • Large agribusiness companies are taking notice of one of the smallest agricultural workers — honey bees.

It's not necessarily a comfortable fit for the corporate heads or the beekeepers. The general public blames pesticide use and industrialized agriculture for declining bee numbers. Still, representatives from both Monsanto and Bayer, two companies that have been linked to bee kills, were on the agenda for the Idaho Honey Industry Association's annual convention.

The reason is simple — agriculture needs bees. Seventy percent of the world's crops require pollination

"Bees are responsible for one-third of the food we eat," said Jerry Hayes, "about \$200 billion worth of produce." The demand for fruits, nuts, vegetables and berries is expected to grow along with a global population that could reach 9 billion by 2050.

"This is not anything small, this is a big deal," Hayes said. He was a well-known bee expert and author before joining Monsanto to head up the seed company's bee program, and he admits it has not been an easy transition.

One of the projects he is

working on is finding non-chemical treatments for bee parasites and viruses. That's a long-term research program that won't yield results before the 1.8 million bee colonies make the great migration to the almond orchards of California next winter.

Imagine the stress of making the trip — bees are awoken out of hibernation, put on trucks and hauled for several days through changing weather conditions. Then, when the truck finally stops, they are intermingled with bees from other regions that may have brought new diseases or parasites with them. Add in that nothing is blooming in February so the bees must be fed a pollen substitute until the almonds begin to bloom.

"It's a wonder any bees are alive," Hayes said. And in fact, 10 to 15 percent of the queen bees don't survive the trip.

Monsanto is partnering with a bee research organization that in turn is working with almond growers to plant forage crops around orchards so bees will have their nutritional needs met and — hopefully — will be healthier when they return to their home yards. Monsanto has pledged \$250,000 to Project Apis m. for the three-year effort.

It's a small step to restore a variety of blooming plants to the landscape. One of the

criticisms of industrialized agriculture is that as farmers plant more genetically modified crops that have been developed to withstand applications of popular herbicides, there are fewer weeds in the fence lines or ditches. High commodity prices are also encouraging farmers to take land out of the Conservation Reserve Program and to plow out marginal land.

A healthy bee colony requires 132 pounds per year of pollen — that's a lot of blooming plants. Research has shown that colonies that don't have adequate food going into winter are less likely to survive.

Bayer CropScience is another company that is trying to improve its bee image. Some studies have linked use of seed treatments and agrichemicals made by Bayer to bee deaths.

"Bees are a very sensitive issue within Bayer," said Veldon Sorenson. "It is a very big issue for us whenever there are bee kills or if our products are misused and cause bee kills."

Sorenson grew up on a farm near Dietrich before going to work for Bayer CropScience for 27 years. He became involved with bee research and developing new bee-safe products in 1999. Since retiring last winter, he has been able to focus on his own hives full time.

Sorenson is convinced

that crop protection chemicals and bees can co-exist, while at the same time recognizing that bee health is declining. "Science says there is no single cause for colony loss, but we need to be cautious," he said. Obviously, directly spraying a hive can be deadly but drift on windy days will also kill bees.

He believes better communication between farmers and beekeepers can help avoid many problems. Bayer is working to develop repellants that could be added to agrichemicals that would help keep bees out of alfalfa fields for a certain time period after application.

Company researchers are also going back through chemicals to identify those that have mite activity but not insect activity, looking for a product that may control varroa mite without harming bees. Bayer has also established a bee care center in North Carolina that focuses on bee disorders and varroa mite control.

Even as Monsanto and Bayer are making efforts to improve bee health, critics remain skeptical about the strength of the companies' bee commitments. Still, beekeepers at the Idaho Honey Industry Association's convention appreciated the opportunity to talk with Hayes and Sorenson about research efforts — but mostly just about bees.

# DuPont Breaks Ground on Iowa Biorefinery

**DOVER, Del. (AP)** • The DuPont company has taken another step toward commercial production of bio-fuel using cellulosic ethanol.

The Wilmington-based company broke ground Fri-

day on a cellulosic ethanol facility in central Iowa.

The \$200 million facility in Nevada, Iowa is expected to be completed in mid-2014. It will be among largest commercial-scale cellulosic biorefineries in

the world.

DuPont says the facility will be able to produce 30 million gallons of cellulosic ethanol annually using corn stalks and leaves. The company plans to contract with more than 500 local farmers

to supply corn stalks and leaves to the Iowa facility.

DuPont also is working with other feedstocks for use in cellulosic ethanol, processing switchgrass in a testing facility near Knoxville, Tenn.

# Holidays Rise to Top for Farm Creameries

BY CHARLENE M. SHUPP  
ESPENSHADE  
*Lancaster Farming*

**EPHRATA, Pa.** • Last weekend kicked off the holiday shopping season and like their city shop cousins, dairy farmers who have retail operations are seeing holiday returns.

Don Everett of Apple Valley Creamery in East Berlin, Pa., said his fourth-quarter sales are by far his largest.

Roberta Rotelle of September Farm in Honey Brook, Pa., said her farmi-

ly's farm does 25 percent of its business in December.

The holiday push offsets the slow months of January, February and March, Emily Montgomery of Calkins Creamery in Honesdale, Pa., said.

And for Jim Mitchell, a dairy farmer turned ice cream maker at Woodside Creamery in Hockessin, Del., holiday products extend the .800 ice cream season.

Customers are purchasing holiday eggnog, ice creams, butters and cheeses at the farm stores,

online and through retail outlets. Gift boxes and baskets are also strong sellers.

Everett said the change is not in the type of customer at his farm, "but they just seem to purchase more for the holidays."

The farm's butter sales increase as families purchase for holiday baking, he said.

Apple Valley also offers home delivery of its milk products. The farm's main dairy focus is milk and butter. In addition to traditional pasteurized milk, it also does what it calls a

"whole cream line" of milk or pasteurized, nonhomogenized milk. It also starts producing eggnog around Halloween.

Apple Valley Creamery is a partnership between the Stoner and Everett families of Adams County. It has been selling milk since 2006, followed later by home delivery in south-central Pennsylvania. The creamery uses about 2,000 pounds of milk per week from the farm's dairy herd.

"We have become a holiday tradition for many of our families," Everett said.



# Calif. Oyster Farm Closure Ends Long Battle

BY JASON DEAREN

Associated Press

**SAN FRANCISCO** • Kevin Lunny's struggle to keep his family's oyster farm running in Point Reyes National Seashore appears to be over, closing out an era of oyster-man plying the park's pristine waters and ushering in the nation's newest ocean wilderness.

U.S. Interior Secretary Ken Salazar's announcement Thursday that he was allowing the oyster farm's lease to expire took many by surprise — especially Drakes Bay Oyster Co. owner Lunny — whose family also operates a cattle ranch in the park.

"We expected a different decision. We really thought that there was a right and a wrong here, and we expected the secretary to make the right decision," Lunny said.

Salazar's move keeps intact a Congressional mandate from 1976 that sought to restore Drakes Estero to its natural state, removing the oyster racks and motor boats used to shuttle the shelled delicacies to and from shore. Environmentalists and the National Park Service said the farm disturbed harbor seal pupping, and damaged native plants.

In the end, after millions of dollars spent on studies and years of heated debate, Salazar decided that returning the area to its natural state was more important than allowing a popular local business to continue operating.

"After careful consideration of the applicable law and policy, I have directed the National Park

Service to allow the permit for the Drakes Bay Oyster Co. to expire ... and to return the Drakes Estero to the state of wilderness that Congress designated for it in 1976," Salazar said in a statement.

Salazar visited the oyster farm last week and said he did not make the decision lightly.

The national seashore was added to the federal parks system by Congress in 1962, and protects more than 80 miles of California coastline.

The Interior secretary was given the power to lease the park's lands for dairy and cattle-ranching purposes. Currently there are 15 beef and dairy ranches operating along the Point Reyes seashore. Those ranches will remain open under the decision Thursday.

Lunny bought the oyster company in 2004, knowing the lease expired in 2012. But his lawyers felt an extension could be negotiated, so he decided to take on the fight.

The company will have to remove its property from park land and waters within 90 days. Because the lease was set to expire, the company gets no compensation for the decision.

Salazar did not stop all commercial activities in the park. He sought to extend the terms of the cattle ranch leases from 10 to 20 years.

"Ranching operations have a long and important history on the Point Reyes peninsula and will be continued at Point Reyes National Seashore," he said.



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*In this Dec. 6, 2011 file photo, owner Kevin Lunny holds a Pacific oyster at the Drake's Bay Oyster Co. in Point Reyes National Seashore, Calif.*

The oyster farm had many powerful allies who fought vociferously on its behalf. Many hailed the oyster operation as an example of sustainable aquaculture and the local foods movement.

Sen. Dianne Feinstein, D-Calif., and the National Academy of Sciences claimed park officials were trying to get rid of the oyster farm by exaggerating its negative im-

pacts on the environment.

On Thursday, Feinstein said she was extremely disappointed by the decision by Salazar that will put 30 people out of work.

"The National Park Service's review process has been flawed from the beginning with false and misleading science," she said in a statement.

To resolve the dispute over the

seals, more than \$1 million in taxpayer money was spent on environmental assessment studies, according to records. That study was used by Salazar to make his final decision.

California's other senator, Barbara Boxer, voiced support for Salazar's choice, saying he made his decision based on science and law.

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OPINION

Letters to the Editor,  
George Will • O2

That Magical  
Moment on the  
Sun Valley Slopes

Editor's note: This column was first published on Magicvalley.com on the Trails and Tales outdoors blog.

This time of year, a curtain of fog hangs in the mornings between the Magic Valley and the Wood River Valley. It starts somewhere past Shoshone and lifts before you get to Bellevue - just a thick room of white extending for miles.

When you come out the other side of the fog tunnel, the world is transformed. The political needle has moved to the left, property values have tripled and the landscape has changed. Instead of fields, the ground has risen up, engulfing the road on both sides between two walls of soft brown folds. The farther north you drive, those folds get larger and multiply and grow more jagged until they are snow-capped, rocky peaks.

And the culture changes. It's the kind of place where a 60-year-old man is comfortable calling someone "bro" and where a local newspaper decided to forego news for an entire edition and dedicated itself instead to stories about snow.

On Thanksgiving weekend, my husband and I headed up for our first day of the ski season.

I strapped on my first pair of skis in elementary school and have been skiing ever since, but on that first chairlift ride of the year last week I felt a twinge of panic. What if I don't remember how to ski?

The chair crested the top of the hill and I had no choice but to stand up and feel my skis under me. They felt familiar. I was tense and clumsy as I mentally talked my way through the first run of the season. "Pick your line and follow it. Knees together. Plant and turn. Plant and turn."

My husband was waiting for me half way down the slope, grinning.

"What is he smiling about?" I thought.

I stopped next to him. Twelve-year-old Ellie Pruitt from Twin Falls skied by us. She was skiing fast and in control, but she was screaming, "I'm going to fall. I'm going to fall." (She didn't.)

I laughed.

"That's how I feel," I thought.

After a few warm-up runs, we headed up the gondola. The sun was shining bright in that crystal clear way it does in Idaho. The sky was solid blue.

That first run was a confusing mix of pain and awe. It takes a little while to get your legs into ski shape and I wasn't there yet. With every turn, I felt tiny knives stabbing into my quads. But between every stab of pain, I was overwhelmed by the beauty - mountain tops spilling into each other in every direction and the town of Ketchum nestled sweetly at the bottom of it all.

Ouch. Wow.

But after a few runs, you remember. Your muscles relax. It happened all at once, without thinking I bent my knees and leaned into a turn and my mind stopped thinking and the snow started looking like a canvas.

As we rode up the chair, my husband said, "I like skiing, because it means nothing. There's absolutely no reason to be doing it - you're not working toward anything or earning anything. You're just skiing."

Here's to a great winter. Get outside and enjoy it.

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Bringing Back the Dunce Cap?

The reaction has been fierce to news that a teacher let her fourth-grade students draw on each other's faces with markers as part of a punishment system for failing to meet reading goals. The story made national headlines and the Times-News received letters to the editor and angry phone calls from across the country.

A woman from Hutchison, Kan. called the Times-News in tears the day the story hit her local newspaper. "What can I do to make sure this teacher is punished?" she asked.

It's fair to say that Summer Larsen is being punished. She is the subject of a state ethics investigation after Cassia County School District officials filed a complaint. She has been derided in hate mail, letters to the editor and online comments.

One parent entered the school without stopping at the school office, went into Larsen's class and yelled at her in front of the students.

Larsen is not speaking publicly, but we are sure the attacks have not been limited to what we know about at this newspaper.

The public's anger has escalated to the point where parents say they are afraid for their children's safety.

At Tuesday's school board meeting, parent Cindy Hurst said she received anonymous letters from other parents at the school threatening her after she publicly criticized Larsen's actions.

Other parents expressed concern that someone may come from out of state to try to harm Larsen or school Principal Rebecca Hunsaker.

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POINT/COUNTERPOINT



Question: Are Free School Lunches Good for Our Kids?

There Are No Negative Consequences to Making Sure Our Children Are Fed

What happens when a child from a poverty-stricken family goes to school hungry, and can't afford to eat lunch? The results shouldn't surprise you. What starts as hunger pains will soon develop into a full-blown stomachache. Low blood sugar will cause him to feel light-headed and weak. A persistent headache will bother him all day. All of these hunger-related problems reduce his ability to concentrate, study and learn. Any work he does that day will be sub-par, and his grades will suffer for it. This hunger-induced learning impairment could continue for weeks or months, even years, if the child doesn't have regular access to nutritious food.

Without free school lunches, tens of thousands of children would fall into this vicious downward spiral, leading inevitably to failed classes, a significantly lower chance of graduating, and an all-around bleak post-high school future.

Anyone who calls this depressing reality exaggerated or unrealistic doesn't understand how devastating malnutrition is, especially for a child. Thankfully, we live in a society where most us have an abundant (some would say over-abundant) amount of food to eat. Most of us never once suffer from real hunger during our lifetimes. And thanks to the National School Lunch Act passed in 1946, which offers free or reduced-price lunches to lower income students, fewer of our economically unlucky kids have to experience it.

A nation that ignores its starving children is a nation that is not only shockingly inhumane, it's also a nation that lacks economic foresight. Allowing kids to go hungry, in effect, condemns them to life-long poverty. The chain of cause and effect is as clear as day. Hungry kids perform poorly in school, which leads to them getting an insufficient education, substantially decreasing their opportunities for escaping poverty. The economic consequences to this are so obvious as to not be worth stating. Any country with an ounce of foresight knows how important it is to feed its children, which is why virtually all first world countries have free school lunch programs. Even in Iran, kids are eating for free.

There are no negative consequences to making sure our children are fed. Any argument that says free school lunches lead to an entitlement society, or that it makes kids turn into welfare parasites, is patently ridiculous, and anyone who holds those opinions has a fundamental

Please see MACHADO, O3

It Is My Responsibility to Feed my Children, not the Government's

A few years ago, my boys were playing at a school playground where the summer lunch program was being offered. At the time, I was not aware of the program and I allowed my boys to receive the free lunch. Of course, my boys were excited and could not wait to see what they were going to get in their brown paper bags. However, once I understood more about the program, I realized I could not allow my boys to participate again because it went against my principles.

I thought, "What am I teaching my boys?" My principles are that government should not provide that which is my responsibly as a parent and the value of being self-reliant. I could see how easy it would be to justify participating. It would be convenient not having to make lunch for children each day, or feed them breakfast before school. It is my responsibility to feed my children not the government's.

My children asked if they could go have free lunch again. I explained to them that it was not really free; taxpayers pay for it, and it is our family's responsibility to provide them with meals.

Our federal government's debt is more than 15 trillion dollars. Entitlement-related programs are one of the largest sources of tax dollar spending. Are we teaching our children an entitlement attitude when we participate in the free summer lunch and free school breakfast programs that is available to all children regardless of their family income? Does our government need to take care of us, whether on a local, state or federal level? These are questions we need to think about as we are raising the next generation of citizens and leaders. I believe the initial intentions of these programs were to ensure children who due to various family situations would not go without a meal.

The Idaho State Department of Education website states, "I would love to see all Idaho's children have access to nutritious meals during the summer." If operated correctly, these programs can be a valuable temporary resource for families while struggling financially. However, if not needed, I do not feel it is appropriate to participate in these programs out of convenience or just because they are available. I do agree these programs can help those who are truly struggling to feed their families and provide a location for food to be available for those children whose parents otherwise would not provide meals.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Reforms Cannot Be Mere Re-works of Failed Propositions

Clete Edmunson's article ("Time for Idaho to Work Together on Education," Nov. 21) correctly calls for onward education reforms to be a product of real collaboration among Idaho stakeholders. Most of us would agree fully. Yet Mr. Edmunson's article glibly avoids giving the full picture. None of the "Luna laws" would have passed had the Idaho Legislature and the governor performed their jobs responsibly and they had heeded the tidal wave of anti-Luna testimony presented during legislative hearings.

When the people spoke at those hearings, Luna, most legislators and the governor ignored them. Edmunson lets the legislative leadership and the governor off the hook when, in fact, they are equally responsible with Luna for making bad law. If Luna didn't do his job responsibly, then neither did his legislative backers nor the governor. When many of us commented publicly against the "Luna laws," one Twin Falls area senator pointedly dismissed citizens' criticisms, saying we lacked "full information" — which that same senator did nothing to correct or offset.

It seems voters, in fact, acquired quite enough information to see the "Luna laws" for the bad law they are. The legislators who supported Luna and the governor who signed the bills are as fully complicit in this mess as Luna. They all need to explicitly acknowledge their failings in this misadventure before they can credibly join efforts to forge constructive, legitimate public education policy.

Onward reforms cannot be mere re-works of the failed propositions. If Luna, his legislative allies and the governor were willing to shove bad law on us once, they are fully capable of trying it again. Their performance does little to warrant much trust in their stewardship.

**GRENVILLE E. DAY**  
Twin Falls

Slap on the Wrist not Enough for Declo Teacher

I have to say that after reading the reports concerning the recent activities that have taken place at Declo Elementary, I am appalled. In what world is it OK for a teacher to encourage other children to bully their classmates?

As a former student of Declo High School, I have to say this is not an isolated incident. I went to the schools there for seven years. For almost all of my time there, I was bullied. The sad part, the teachers and administration were aware of the bullying and chose not to do anything about it. This was before there were anti-bullying campaigns in the schools.

I am sick to my stomach as I read about the way these children were treated. How dare that teacher — how dare she encourage this behavior? She has been entrusted with the education of our children. Unfortunately, this occurs more than the media is aware. Granted, there are good teachers in the school district. That being said, my faith in the school district and teachers has been shaken beyond repair.

The teacher was suspended with paid leave. Are you kidding me? What about firing her? Just a slap on the wrist is not going to cut it. She has damaged those children. The one group has been taught it is OK to bully, demean and belittle our peers. This is something they will likely continue to do since they were given permission and encouraged. Now it is an acceptable behavior. The second group has suffered emotional damage. Their self-esteem has suffered. They have been labeled as stupid by their peers. They will likely be teased and treated as such by their peer group for the remainder of their educational experience at Declo.

An outraged parent!  
**AIMEE AGUILAR**  
Burley

Climate Change Claims a Repeat of Past Fear Mongering

Anyone who wants to stupidly and ignorantly blame Hurricane Sandy on global warming/climate change really needs to type "Global Cooling" as well as "1938 New England Hurricane" and also "Great Colonial Hurricane of 1635" into the search engine at Wikipedia.org — two hurricanes whose destruction and velocity were very much on par with what Hurricane Sandy wrought, and two that occurred long before the histrionics-prone climate change crowd came onto the scene.

Also must reading is the June 24, 1974, Time magazine article, "Another Ice Age?" and also the April 28, 1975, Newsweek article, "The Cooling World." Both articles contain countless dire predictions from many of the very same "learned" scientific organizations that are now promulgating the dire climate-change predictions. Empty-headed fear mongering by any other name is still empty-headed fear mongering!

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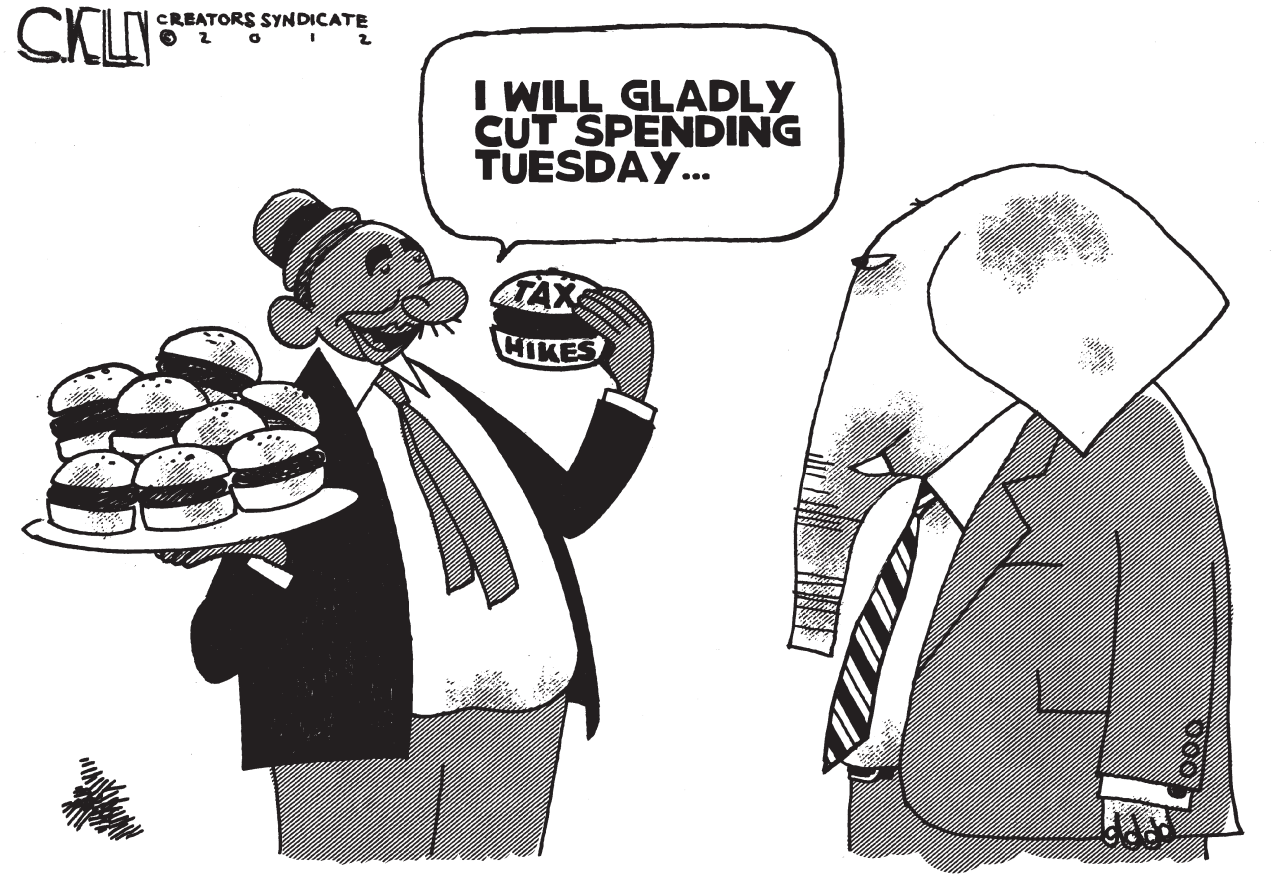
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Closing of the American Mind

In 2007, Keith John Sampson, a middle-aged student working his way through Indiana University-Purdue University Indianapolis as a janitor, was declared guilty of racial harassment. Without granting Sampson a hearing, the university administration — acting as prosecutor, judge and jury — convicted him of "openly reading [a] book related to a historically and racially abhorrent subject" "Openly." "Related to." Good grief.

The book, "Notre Dame vs. the Klan," celebrated the 1924 defeat of the Ku Klux Klan in a fight with Notre Dame students. But some of Sampson's co-workers disliked the book's cover, which featured a black-and-white photograph of a Klan rally. Someone was offended, therefore someone else must be guilty of harassment.



als understand those things.

In recent years, a University of Oklahoma vice president has declared that no university resources, including email, could be used for "the forwarding of political humor/commentary." The College at Brockport in New York banned using the Internet to "annoy or otherwise inconvenience" anyone. Texas Southern University's comprehensive proscriptions included "verbal harm" from damaging "assumptions" or "implications." Drexel University forbade "inappropriately directed laughter." Many campuses congratulate themselves on their broad-mindedness when

they establish small "free speech zones" where political advocacy can be scheduled. At one point Texas Tech's 28,000 students had a "free speech gazebo" that was 20 feet wide. And you thought the First Amendment made America a free speech zone. At Tufts, a conservative newspaper committed "harassment" by printing accurate quotations from the Quran and a verified fact about the status of women in Saudi Arabia. Lukianoff says Tufts may have been the first American institution "to find someone guilty of harassment for stating verifiable facts directed at no one in particular."

Such coercion is a natural augmentation of censorship. Next comes mob rule. Last year, at the University of Wisconsin-Madison, the vice provost for diversity and

climate — really; you can't make this stuff up — encouraged students to disrupt a news conference by a speaker opposed to racial preferences. They did, which the vice provost called "awesome." This is the climate on an especially liberal campus that celebrates "diversity" in everything but thought.

"What happens on campus," Lukianoff says, "doesn't stay on campus" because censorship has "downstream effects." He quotes a sociologist whose data he says demonstrate that "those with the highest levels of education have the lowest exposure to people with conflicting points of view." This encourages "the human tendency to live within our own echo chambers." Parents' tuition dollars and student indebtedness are paying for this. Good grief.

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## Dunce Cap

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It's time for cooler heads to prevail and time to ask questions beyond whether or not Larsen should be ostracized the rest of her life for a single incident.

What Larsen did showed incredibly poor judgment. But it also demonstrated the pressure that teachers feel to meet the latest version of state or federal education standards. In the modern-day classroom, meeting the benchmark

becomes the measure of whether a teacher is successful or not, whether that teacher deserves to keep their job, whether that teacher receives a bonus.

If hitting the benchmark increasingly becomes the only end goal in the classroom, then the message to teachers is that the end justifies the means.

Regardless, it doesn't justify what happened in Larsen's classroom.

The Accelerated Reading program - which Larsen's students

were a part of - is designed for children who are already struggling with reading. Letting children draw on each other's faces is a modern-day equivalent of the dunce cap, a device from the days when public humiliation in the classroom was acceptable.

We no longer live in an era where humiliating students is considered motivational. Unfortunately, the same cannot be said for how we seem to feel about humiliating teachers.

## Machado

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misunderstanding of how society works.

Both compassion and economic necessity led our government to create the National School Lunch Act. The people leading our country at the time knew that children

are our future. And that starving one kills the other.

Anthony Machado is 23 years old and is a microbiologist for Clear Springs Foods.

## Tarkalson

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My parents taught me valuable principles regarding this issue through example. I grew up in a family of eight and I remember bringing home a free school lunch form for my parents to fill out to see if they were eligi-

ble. My parents told me it was their responsibility to feed us and they felt it was more important to teach their children to be self-reliant than to accept government handouts.

I want to encourage those who can financially afford to provide lunch and breakfast for their children to not participate in these programs.

This will help teach our children to become more self-reliant adults and help reduce the out-of-control government spending.

Marilyn Tarkalson is a stay-at-home mother of four boys. She graduated from Idaho State University with a bachelor's in Public Health.

### READER COMMENT

## Lighthouse Christian Has an Incredible Sports Program

As the local high school volleyball and football seasons have come to an end, one little school of 96 students in grades nine through 12 comes to mind. That would be the Lighthouse Christian School Lions.

The Lady Lions completed an incredible run through the State 1A D2 volleyball tourney without even losing a set, defeating the Mackay Lady Miners in the final match to cap a 28 to 2 season. The Lady Lions' amazing run was keyed by the performances of Brooklyn Vanderstelt, Andrea Helman, Becca Storm, Brynli Wooten and Jamie Morton. Tobie Helman, the Lion's coach, was voted Magic Valley Coach of the Year. In the final game against Mackay, a storm settled over Baum gymnasium in the person of Becca Storm as she served point serve after point serve in the third game to literally put the game out of reach. Brooklyn Vanderstelt and her imposing kills, Brynli Wooten with her skillful sets and Jamie Morton with her booming serves, carried the Lady Lions to victory.

On the distaff side, we have the Lighthouse Christian Lions football team which was defending State 1A D2 championship. While they didn't quite match the Lady Lions success, they still managed to finish second in state with an overall 9 to 3 record. In fact, their only losses came when their two-way linemen, Donnie Aardema and Garrett Lee, were either injured and couldn't play or were hobbled by leg injuries, such as they were in the state championship game against Salmon River. Anyone who knows D2 eight-man football knows that depth is always a problem and, when you don't have your

**Harold M. Pringle**

two most imposing linemen able to perform at peak performance, it makes for a long night. When Donnie and Garrett were able to perform at the top of their game, the Lions were runaway winners.

We can't forget the rest of the Lions' performers; namely, Logan Bosma, Eli Berndt, Philip Demello, Luc Fadness, Adam Taylor, Thom Thom, Dillon Wilson and Kade Evans. Logan Bosma at 5'7 and 130 lbs. is the "Gunslinger" with record setting performances throughout the season to show for it. I saw him hit Eli Berndt 70 yards in the air down the right sideline for a touchdown against Carey. Eli Berndt, "Smooth as silk," was the receiver who helped add to the prolific passing performances of Logan, along with "Elusive" Dillon Wilson. "Tough as Nails" Adam Taylor always could be counted on to add his dynamic physical presence on both sides of the ball.

The most earthshaking player for his size was "TNT" Philip DeMello, who at 5'10" and 135 lbs., hit like a 6'3" 235 lb. linebaker. Ask No. 26 from Salmon River, he still has visions of Philip unloading on him in the end zone and breaking up a sure touchdown catch. Last but not least is Kade (Sumo Man) Evans, who anchored the center of the Lions defensive line. What he lacked in overall height, he made up for in technique.

Kudos are extended to head football coach John van Vliet and his able assistants of Robert Kohler, Cory Holloway and Jerry Andreasen.

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# Without Community Support, T.F. Senior Center Would Have Difficult Times

I would like to personally thank all the local businesses, churches and individuals who have donated to the Twin Falls Senior Center in 2012. I would also like to thank the members we serve on a daily basis at the center for their contributions. I appreciate all the efforts of local governmental officials including the city of Twin Falls, the Twin Falls County commissioners and the Office of Aging for their commitment to the center. Without community support, the Twin Falls Senior Center would have a very difficult time surviving.

The center has overcome a major financial hurdle in the past 10 months. The center has become a major community center for the area we serve. The center is busy with activities and social functions seven days a week, along with nightly functions including Friday night dances with a live band. The center is also having community breakfasts on the

**Jeanette Roe**

first Saturday of each month (Dec. 1 from 8 to 10:30 a.m.). The increased scheduled activities and events are becoming very successful and gaining popularity.

The Center has also worked hard to provide a larger share of their support for functions and activities; however, the center will always need community financial support and volunteers. As a nonprofit business that cannot require payments from the members they serve over the age of 60 due to the Older Americans Act, the center constantly struggles with expenses and revenue shortfalls. Our volunteers assist with daily functions including home delivery meals, attending to the dining room, welcoming guests to the center along with special services including Medicare Part D open enrollment and free income

tax preparation.

No words can express how valuable our volunteers are to the center and their commitment to serve the elderly. Each volunteer has a special place in the hearts of many seniors. What I would like the community to know is that a major majority of the funds that support the center must come from the contributors listed above. Funding from government agencies is only a small portion of our monthly (bare bones) \$30,000 budget. Increased food cost, food related supplies with the increased demand to serve more seniors (nationally 10,000 individuals turn 60 every day), and the reduction of government funding sources is the largest problem facing the center today.

I would like to let everyone know that the center is working hard to serve the community; however, even when the center is financially stable, we still need donations.

Without donations from

area residents and businesses, the center will not be successful, even with the best interests of the site, financial director, staff and board of directors.

The center has scheduled several fundraisers in December, including a spaghetti dinner on Dec. 12, and a prime rib dinner and theater on Dec. 8 and 15. All funds from these fundraisers will directly support the center's activities and meal programs.

During this giving season, we are grateful for all the financial support we have received. At the same time, we would like to ask others to make a similar commitment to the center. Each donation, however small, will make a big difference in the life of the seniors we serve.

If you have any questions regarding the programs and activities the center offers please call 734-5084.

*Jeanette Roe is the site director for the Twin Falls Senior Citizen Center.*

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

## Do You Know Someone from My Biological Family?

I'm looking for help in any way to locate any members of my biological family.

I was born in Jerome at St. Benedicts Hospital on Feb. 20, 1980. My name at birth was Maria Jimenez. It was later changed. The only information I have is that my biological mom's name was Cynthia Rose Jimenez, born in 1956. She was at the time married to my biological dad, Jose Jimenez, born in 1944. They were married in 1976. In 1982, I was removed from our home and the state of Idaho handled my adoption (which is rare, they only did them for a few years directly through state). I was

placed in several homes before I was legally adopted in October 1984.

I have contacted the state. Idaho is a closed adoption state. So they sent me non-identifying information: Bio mom, 1956, blond Caucasian, 5 foot 4 inches, her father was a junk dealer and her mother was obese and ill. She had a brother age 20 at time of adoption who was born with a defect where his arm stopped at his elbow. Hence, he did not have a hand. Bio dad, 1944, Mexican, 5 foot 10 inches, slim, worked at a potato warehouse. He was born in Mexico, fled back to Mexico with one of my siblings. My parents separated after my birth, not sure if divorced. I think I found a divorce certificate out of Clark, Nev. from 1982. I used to have a

picture of a blond half sister, probably a couple years older than me. I contacted the hospital; they only keep records 10 years. Dr. Royal G. Neher was working out of Shoshone at the time and is now retired in Boise.

That is my story, and I have my fingers crossed something about this tugs enough at your heart strings that you can help me in any way possible, I would be eternally grateful. Contact me at drea.cobley@gmail.com.

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# Let's Talk About X

In 1986, Democrats and Republicans came together and enacted a tax reform measure that closed loopholes and lowered tax rates. That was a great achievement. The '86 act has shaped thinking ever since. Now when people talk about tax reform, they instinctively say, "Let's do another '86-style act." When they debate tax ideas, they inevitably fixate on the two levers that were central back then: closing loopholes and changing top marginal rates.

The problem is that it's not 1986 anymore. We have a different set of problems. The two levers highlighted in that earlier reform are not powerful enough to help us address the issues we face today. The 1986 paradigm has become an intellectual straightjacket, foreclosing considerations of the what we have to do.

Unlike in 1986, the baby boomers are now in full retirement mode. The aging population means more government spending, even if we get entitlement programs moderately under control. It also means slower growth. The United States grew at about 3.2 percent a year for the five decades after World War II. It is projected to grow at only 2.2 percent over the next few decades. We need a tax reform that will raise revenue and significantly boost growth. The 1986 model is poorly designed to do both those things.

Let's say we closed loopholes or capped itemized deductions at \$50,000, as many of the current proposals would do. That would raise, at most, about \$760 billion over 10 years. And it would produce much less than that if we started carving out exceptions for the charitable deduction, as we should. That revenue wouldn't be close to cover-



David Brooks  
New York Times

ing the trillions in new debt.

Let's say we raised the top tax rates back to where they were under President Bill Clinton. That wouldn't come close to raising sufficient revenue either. It might raise \$82 billion a year, according to the Joint Tax Committee. That's small potatoes compared with what's needed. Let's say we closed the loopholes and raised rates all at once. That might theoretically produce enough revenue, if you hit the middle class, but it would decimate growth. Even the 1986 reform, which closed loopholes and lowered rates, didn't do much to increase growth.

If we're going to simultaneously address our two most pressing needs – raising revenue and boosting growth – we're going to have to break free from the 1986 paradigm. That means asking the basic question: What is the single biggest problem with the tax code? It's not the complexity, bad as that is. The biggest problem is that it rewards consumption and punishes savings and investment.

You can't fundamentally address that problem within the 1986 paradigm. You can address it only through a consumption tax. This idea is off the table right now, but reality will inevitably drive us toward it. We have to have a consumption tax if we want to both grow the economy and reduce debt.

But isn't a consumption tax regressive since poor people spend a bigger share of their incomes than rich people? The late David F.

Bradford of Princeton University effectively solved that problem with his so-called X Tax, which has recently been championed by Alan D. Viard of the American Enterprise Institute and others. Under the X Tax, you wouldn't pay the consumption tax at the cash register. Businesses would be taxed on their cash flow, taking an immediate deduction for investments rather than depreciating them over time. Households would pay tax at progressive rates on their wages but would not pay tax on income from savings.

The X Tax effectively taxes the money you spend right now and rewards savings and investment. The government could raise a chunk of revenue this way and significantly boost growth with little or no change in how tax burdens are distributed between rich and poor. Most economists vastly prefer consumption taxes to income taxes.

The other complaint is that a consumption tax is politically impossible to get passed. There are, indeed, political difficulties. But there would be huge political difficulties if we try to do another 1986-style act next year. Every special interest will fight every loophole closing. And after all that, the country would get very little benefit in return. The political barriers to an X Tax are no greater, and we would actually address our problems.

It's time to break out of the 1986 paradigm. It's time to explore consumption taxes. Let's think about X.

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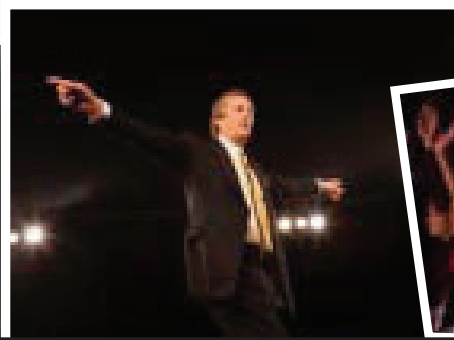
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(Left) Sen. Marco Rubio, R-Fla. speaking in Altoona, Iowa in November. (Right) South Carolina Governor Nikki Haley addresses the Republican National Convention in Tampa, Fla. in August.

## MITT ROMNEY'S LOSS CREATES REPUBLICAN LEADERSHIP VACUUM

**BOSTON (AP)** • Mitt Romney's shadow looms over a Republican Party in disarray.

The face of the GOP for much of the last year, the failed presidential candidate has been a virtual ghost since his defeat Nov. 6. He has quietly weathered the fallout of the campaign from the seclusion of his Southern California home, emerging only momentarily for a private lunch at the White House with President Barack Obama on Thursday.

His loss and immediate withdrawal from politics, while welcomed by most, has created a leadership vacuum within his party. It's left the GOP rudderless, lacking an overarching agenda and mired in infighting, with competing visions for the way ahead, during what may be the most important policy debate in a generation.

In his final meeting with campaign staffers at his Boston headquarters, Romney promised to remain "a strong voice for the party," according to those in attendance. But so far he has offered little to the Capitol Hill negotiations over potential tax increases and entitlement program changes that could affect virtually every American. He declined to comment on the Treasury Department's recent refusal to declare China a currency manipulator, which was one of his signature issues over the past 18 months. He made no public remarks after his meeting with Obama, quickly fading away, again.

"If I had to tell you somebody who is the leader of the party right now, I couldn't," said Amy Kremer, chairman of the Tea Party Express, which is among the conservative factions vying for increased influence. "There's a void right now."

There's no shortage of Republicans maneuvering to fill it, from House Speaker John Boehner of Ohio to a number of high-profile politicians looking to boost their national profiles, if not position themselves for a 2016 presidential run. That group could include former Florida Gov. Jeb Bush, son and brother of presidents, and New Jersey Gov. Chris Christie.

Republican officials acknowledge party tensions between the moderate and conservative wings, as well as the tea party and evangelical constituencies. But they dismiss the leadership vacuum as a standard political reality for the losing party in the presidential race. Romney, a former Massachusetts governor, never had a strong relationship with the conservative base, given his more moderate past.

Party officials are optimistic that a team of younger and more diverse leaders, drawn from the ranks of governors and Congress, will emerge in the coming months to help strengthen and unify what is now a party grappling with its identity. That list includes Florida Sen. Marco Rubio, and Govs. Bobby Jindal of Louisiana and Nikki Haley of South Carolina.

Republican strategist Phil Musser is among those suggesting that the current void presents a breakout opportunity for the party chairman, Reince Priebus. The 40-year-old Midwesterner largely played a supporting administrative role in his first two years on the job.

"To some degree it's a challenge in as much you don't have a standard bearer to rally behind that unifies central themes of the conservative movement," Musser said. "The bottom line is that a little bit of messiness and frank family discussion is not a terrible thing after an election like this."

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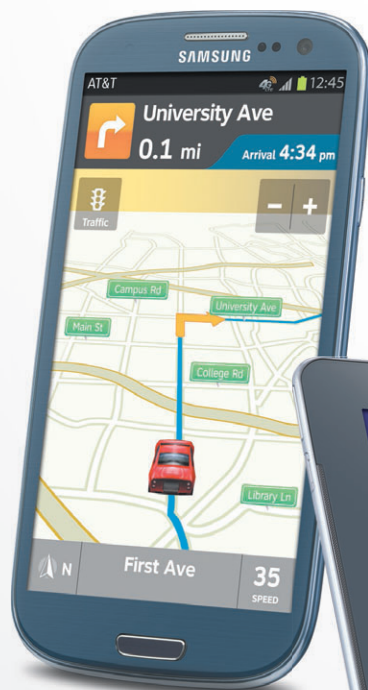
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# House and Senate Sit on Tax Bills

BY STEPHEN OHLEMACHER  
Associated Press

**WASHINGTON** • It may not sound like it from the rhetoric, but both the House and Senate already have passed separate bills to delay big tax increases awaiting nearly every taxpayer next year if Congress and the White House can't agree on a plan to avert the "fiscal cliff."

The Democratic-controlled Senate passed a bill in July that would extend many of the expiring George W. Bush-era tax cuts for middle-income families, while letting taxes go up for individuals who make more than \$200,000 and married couples making more than \$250,000.

The Republican-led House passed a bill in August that would extend the tax cuts for just about everyone.

Republican leaders in Congress say they are willing to accept higher taxes on the wealthy, but only by reducing or eliminating credits, deductions and exemptions. They adamantly oppose higher tax rates,

which Democratic leaders are demanding.

Leaders from each party said their bill should be the starting point for finding a solution in the next few weeks. Both bills would extend tax cuts through next year. The Senate bill would save taxpayers about \$250 billion, according to congressional estimates. The House bill would save taxpayers about \$400 billion.

A look at the specifics of each bill:

## Tax Rates

**Senate:** Extends the Bush tax cuts for middle- and low-income families, while letting the top two income tax rates increase from 33 percent to 36 percent and from 35 percent to 39.6 percent. The 33 percent rate would be applied to income above \$200,000 for individuals and \$250,000 for married couples filing jointly. The top tax rate is applied to incomes above about \$390,000.

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# NATION + WORLD

# Vampire Rumors Spread Fear — And Potential Tourist Opportunity • O11

# Egypt's President Sets Date for Constitution Vote

**BY SARAH EL DEEB**  
*Associated Press*

**CAIRO** • Egyptian President Mohammed Morsi called Saturday for a referendum in two weeks on a disputed draft constitution, as tens of thousands of his supporters celebrated the decision. Morsi set the date as Dec. 15 in a nationally televised speech to the Islamist-led assembly that hurriedly approved the draft charter amid widening opposition from secular and Christian groups. Egypt's Constitutional Court was due to rule Sunday on whether to dissolve the panel. If the judges decide to hold their session, whatever the decision, it is still a challenge and a continuation of the tug of war between Morsi and the powerful judiciary, which dissolved the Islamist-dominated parliament earlier this year. "After receiving this draft constitution, and out of keenness to build the nation's institutions without delay or stalling, I will issue today the call for a public referendum on this draft charter

on Saturday, Dec. 15," Morsi said. "I pray to God and hope that it will be a new day of democracy in Egypt."

Morsi urged those who opposed it to go out and vote. "With us all we build the nation," he said.

As he announced the date, more than 100,000 of his supporters danced and chanted in celebration as they gathered in one of Cairo's squares in support of efforts to rush through the draft charter.

The demonstrations — the largest turnout of Morsi supporters since he came to office in June — were seen as a show of strength for Islamists seeking to counter mass opposition protests held over the past week denouncing the president's decision to seize near absolute power and the fast-tracking of the draft charter ahead of a Constitutional Court decision on Sunday on whether to dissolve the panel.

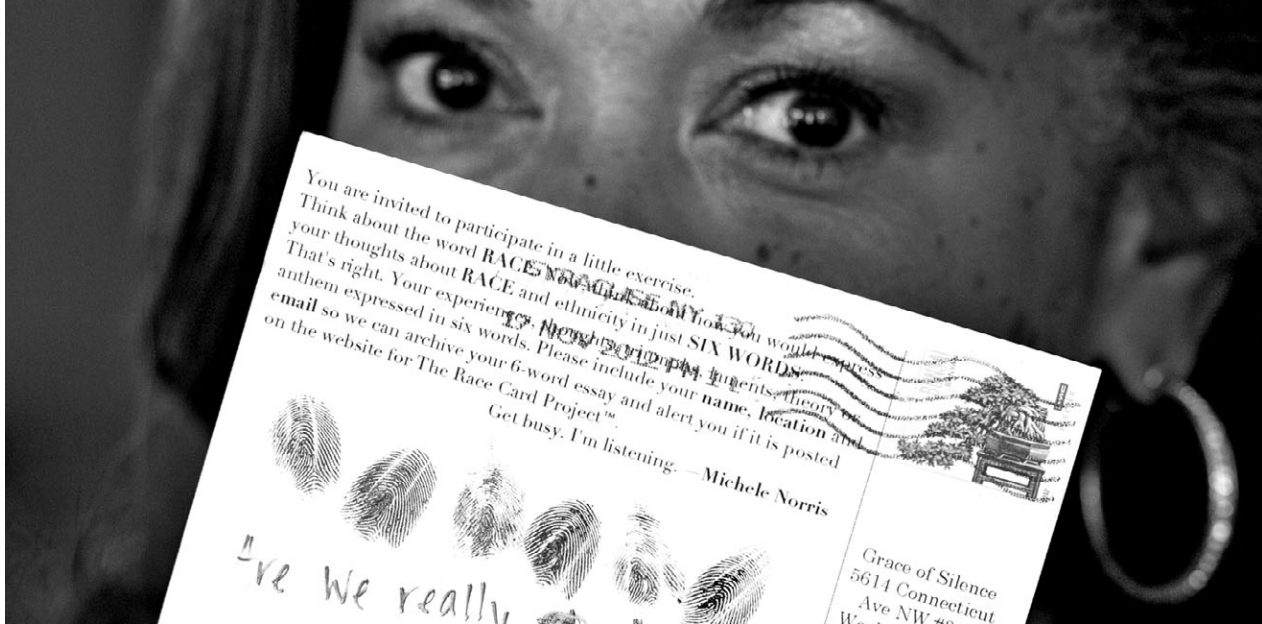
Across the river, a few thousand of Morsi's opponents rallying in Cairo's Tahrir Square raised their shoes to show contempt for the announcement.

The referendum date placed the next move in the standoff in the hands of the Constitutional Court. It was not clear what a decision to disband the constitutional assembly would have now that the charter has been drafted and a date set for the vote.

Judges, still smarting from Morsi's earlier decrees giving himself and the constitutional assembly immunity from judicial oversight, have threatened to boycott observing the referendum.

In his speech, Morsi appealed to the judges to carry out their duties, praising their national roles and adding that the state will not challenge their decisions or powers.

"I am sure that the judges of Egypt will be of help to their nation and people. No one can act outside legal legitimacy," he said in the official ceremony held for the delivery of the draft constitution attended by panel members, as well as Defense Minister Sheikh al-Azhar, and the former prime minister picked by the military council that governed Egypt until Morsi's election.



*National Public Radio host and journalist Michelle Norris holds one of the 'Race Cards' that was sent to her by Maureen Folk, of Potsdam, N.Y., in her home in Washington where she is archiving her Race Card Project.*

# RACE CARD PROJECT

## Creating a New Type of Conversation

**BY JESSE WASHINGTON**  
*Associated Press*

She asked for just six words.

Michele Norris, the National Public Radio host, was starting a book tour for her memoir, which explored racial secrets. Sensing a change in the atmosphere after the election of the first black president, and searching for a new way to engage and listen, Norris printed 200 postcards asking people to express their thoughts on race in six words.

The first cards that trickled into her mailbox were from Norris' friends and acquaintances. Then they started coming from strangers, from people who had not heard Norris speak, from other continents. The tour stopped; the cards did not:

"You know my race. NOT ME!"

"Chinese or American? Does it matter?"

"Oh, she's just another white girl."

"Waiting for race not to matter."

Such declarations brought the Race Card Project to life.

"I thought I knew a lot about race," says Norris, 51, an award-winning black journalist. "I realized how little I know through this project."

Two years later, the cards have become almost a parallel career for Norris, best known for her work on NPR's "All Things Considered." She and an assistant have catalogued more than 12,000 submissions on [theracecardproject.com](http://theracecardproject.com). People now send them via Facebook and Twitter or type them directly into the website, leading to vibrant online discussions.

Many cannot resist accompanying their Race Cards with explanations, stories and personal experiences. Norris, in turn, feels compelled to contact them,



*Submissions are seen to Norris' Race Card Project at her home in Washington.*

listen to their stories, and archive this new conversation about race.

The discussion is inseparable from this moment, when the page of America's racial history is in midturn. Part of Norris' inspiration came from a series of NPR interviews on race during Barack Obama's ascent. His reelection has reenergized Norris' multiracial community of six-word poets:

"Black babies cost less to adopt"  
"Never a Nazi, just a German."  
"Money on counter, not in hand"  
"You are dirt, so I scrubbed"

Eric Liu, an author and educator, heard about the Race Card Project from a friend. He calls it "brilliantly powerful" due to the strict brevity: "It forces this profundity that you wouldn't get if you let people go on for two hours."

"It uses this format on the front end to unlock all of this expression and imagination," Liu said, "and on the back end, once it's out in the world, it forces people to see each other with new eyes."

That's what happened one Sunday

when Celeste Brown, a graduate student from Florida, noticed the Race Card Project on Twitter and typed “We aren’t all ‘Strong Black Women’” into her computer.

A fire was lit. Women and men of all ethnicities gathered at keyboards from Los Angeles to Ireland. Comments flew: Isn’t Strong Black Woman a compliment? No, it’s strong like oxen — less than human. It doesn’t matter how we treat them because they will survive. Time to stop putting up walls and be vulnerable. I feel like I’m forced to be strong. It makes a woman sound like a weed, not a flower.

In an interview, Brown said that her statement unconsciously distilled ideas and experiences she had previously shared only with close friends, like the tension between being independent and needing a man, or the question of how black women can build careers without being stereotyped as too aggressive.

“I wrote the first thing that came to mind,” Brown said.

And what about Norris’ own place? What are her six words?

When the project began, Norris’ words were personal, born of her experience as a black Minnesota girl with a slight speech impediment who was advised against pursuing a four-year college degree. “Fooled them all, not done yet” used to fit well.

But now, after what the nation has experienced these past few years, and the gratitude she feels toward thousands of people who shared their stories with her, Norris is reminded of a quote from the legendary dancer Alvin Ailey: “The dance comes from the people and must always be given back to the people.”

So today, her six words are:

“Still more work to be done.”

# Marine Pioneering Effort to Move Women Into Combat

**BY JULIE WATSON**  
*Associated Press*



*Lt. Brandy Souble* is seen on 29 Palms Marine base in Southern California.

**SAN DIEGO** • Marine 1st Lt. Brandy Soublel is about as far from the war front as possible at her desk in the California desert, but she's on the front lines of an experiment that could one day put women as close to combat as their male peers.

The Penfield, N.Y. woman is one of 45 female Marines assigned this summer to 19 all-male combat battalions. The Defense Department in the past year has opened thousands of combat positions to women to slowly integrate them and gauge the impact such a social change would have on the military's ability to fight wars.

No branch is likely to feel that change more than the Marine Corps.

The small, tight-knit force is the most male of the armed services and prides itself on having the toughest and most aggressive warriors. The Corps historically has higher casualty rates because it is considered to be the "tip of the spear," or the first to respond to conflicts. It also was among the last military branches to open its doors to women, forming the first female Corps in 1943, according to the Women's Memorial in Washington D.C.

But changing times are challenging the traditions of the force, long likened to a brotherhood.

Modern warfare has put women in combat like never before over the past decade, even though a 1994 policy bars them from being assigned to ground combat units below the brigade level, which were considered too dangerous since they are often smaller and closer to combat for longer periods.

Already under pressure to provide the same opportunities for women, the Defense Department was hit Tuesday with a second lawsuit by female service members — including two Marines — charging that the gender barriers unfairly block them from promotions open to men in combat.

The lawsuits are intended to accelerate the military's

slow march toward lifting the ban that plaintiffs allege has barred women from 238,000 positions.

Defense officials say they recently opened 14,500 jobs to women, and they need to move cautiously to ensure the change will not disrupt wartime operations. Soublett and the other 44 women are part of the quiet, slow transformation. Women make up about 7 percent of the Marine Corps compared to about 14 percent overall among the military's 1.4 million active military personnel.

She said some Marines initially eyed her pioneering presence in the all-male battalion with skepticism.

"The way that I would describe it to friends and family was it was kind of like I showed up to work in a costume," the 25-year-old logistics officer said in a phone interview from Twenty-Nine Palms, a remote desert base east of San Diego. "They stared a little bit but after a while it wasn't like that anymore."

That experience may play out on bases and boats worldwide as the Pentagon levels the battlefield.

The Corps earlier this year opened its grueling infantry officer training school to female Marines and surveyed 53,000 of its troops with an anonymous online questionnaire about the impact of erasing gender barriers. Survey results are expected to be released soon after review by the defense secretary.

# POLICE: CHIEFS' BELCHER KILLS GIRLFRIEND, SELF


**BY DAVE SKRETTA**  
*Associated Press*



*Belcher*

**KANSAS CITY, Mo.** • Kansas City Chiefs linebacker Jovan Belcher killed his girlfriend Saturday morning and minutes later, holding a gun to his head, thanked his general manager and coach before shooting himself outside the team's practice complex.

Authorities did not release a motive for the murder-suicide, though police said that Belcher and his girlfriend, 22-year-old Kasandra M. Perkins, had been ar-



**Belcher**

guing recently. The two of them have a 3-month-old girl who was being cared for by family.

Belcher thanked general manager Scott Pioli and coach Romeo Crennel before pulling the trigger, police spokesman Darin Snapp said. Officers had locked down the Chiefs facility by midmorning.

The team said it would play its

home game against the Carolina Panthers as scheduled on Sunday at noon local time "after discussions between the league office, Head Coach Romeo Crennel and Chiefs team captains."

A spokesman for the team told The Associated Press that Crennel plans to coach on Sunday.

Belcher was a 25-year-old native of West Babylon, N.Y., on Long Island, who played college ball at Maine. He signed with the Chiefs as an undrafted free agent, made the team and stayed with it for four years, moving into the

starting lineup. He had played in all 11 games this season.

"The entire Chiefs family is deeply saddened by today's events, and our collective hearts are heavy with sympathy, thoughts and prayers for the families and friends affected by this unthinkable tragedy," Chiefs chairman Clark Hunt said in a statement.

"We sincerely appreciate the expressions of sympathy and support we have received from so many in the Kansas City and NFL communities, and ask for contin-

ued prayers for the loved ones of those impacted,” Hunt said. “We will continue to fully cooperate with the authorities and work to ensure that the appropriate counseling resources are available to all members of the organization.”

The NFL released a statement that also expressed sympathy and said, “We have connected the Chiefs with our national team of professional counselors to support both the team and the families of those affected. We will continue to provide assistance in any way that we can.”



# Psychiatrists OK Vast Changes to Diagnosis Manual

BY LINDSEY TANNER  
Associated Press

**CHICAGO** • For the first time in almost two decades the nation’s psychiatrists are changing the guidebook they use to diagnose mental disorders. Among the most controversial proposed changes: Dropping certain familiar terms like Asperger’s disorder and dyslexia and calling frequent, severe temper tantrums a mental illness.

The board of trustees for the American Psychiatric Association voted Saturday in suburban Washington, D.C., on scores of revisions that have been in the works for several years. Details will come next May when the group’s fifth diagnostic manual is published.

The trustees made the final decision on what proposals made the cut; recommendations came from

experts in several task force groups assigned to evaluate different mental illnesses.

Board members were tightlipped about the update, but its impact will be huge, affecting millions of children and adults worldwide.

The manual “defines what constellations of symptoms health care professionals recognize as mental disorders and more importantly ... shapes who will receive what treatment. Even seemingly subtle changes to the criteria can have substantial effects on patterns of care,” said Dr. Mark Olfson, a Columbia University psychiatry professor who was not involved in the revision process.

The manual also is important for the insurance industry in deciding what treatment to pay for, and it helps schools decide how to allot special education.

The guidebook’s official title is

the Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders. The new one is the fifth edition, known as the DSM-5. A 2000 edition made minor changes but the last major edition was published in 1994.

The manual “seeks to capture the current state of knowledge of psychiatric disorders. Since 2000 ... there have been important advances in our understanding of the nature of psychiatric disorders,” Olfson said.

Expected changes include formally adopting a term for children and adults with autism — “autism spectrum disorder,” encompassing those with severe autism, who often don’t talk or interact, and those with mild forms including Asperger’s. Asperger’s patients often have high intelligence and vast knowledge on quirky subjects but lack social skills.

Some Asperger’s families opposed the change, fearing their kids would lose a diagnosis and no longer be eligible for special services. And some older Asperger’s patients who embrace their quirkiness vowed to continue to use the label.

But experts say the change won’t affect the special services available to this group.

Catherine Lord, an autism expert at Weill Cornell Medical College who was on the psychiatric group’s autism task force, said anyone who met criteria for Asperger’s in the old manual would be included in the recommended new diagnosis.

One reason for the recommended change is that in some states and some school systems, children and adults with Asperger’s receive no services or fewer services than those given an autism diagnosis, she said.

# South Africa Makes Progress in HIV, AIDS Fight

BY CARLEY PETESCH  
Associated Press

**JOHANNESBURG** • In the early ’90s when South Africa’s Themba Lethu clinic could only treat HIV/AIDS patients for opportunistic diseases, many would come in on wheelchairs and keep coming to the health center until they died.

Two decades later the clinic is the biggest anti-retroviral, or ARV, treatment center in the country and sees between 600 to 800 patients a day from all over southern Africa. Those who are brought in on wheelchairs, sometimes on the brink of death, get the crucial drugs and often become healthy and are walking within weeks.

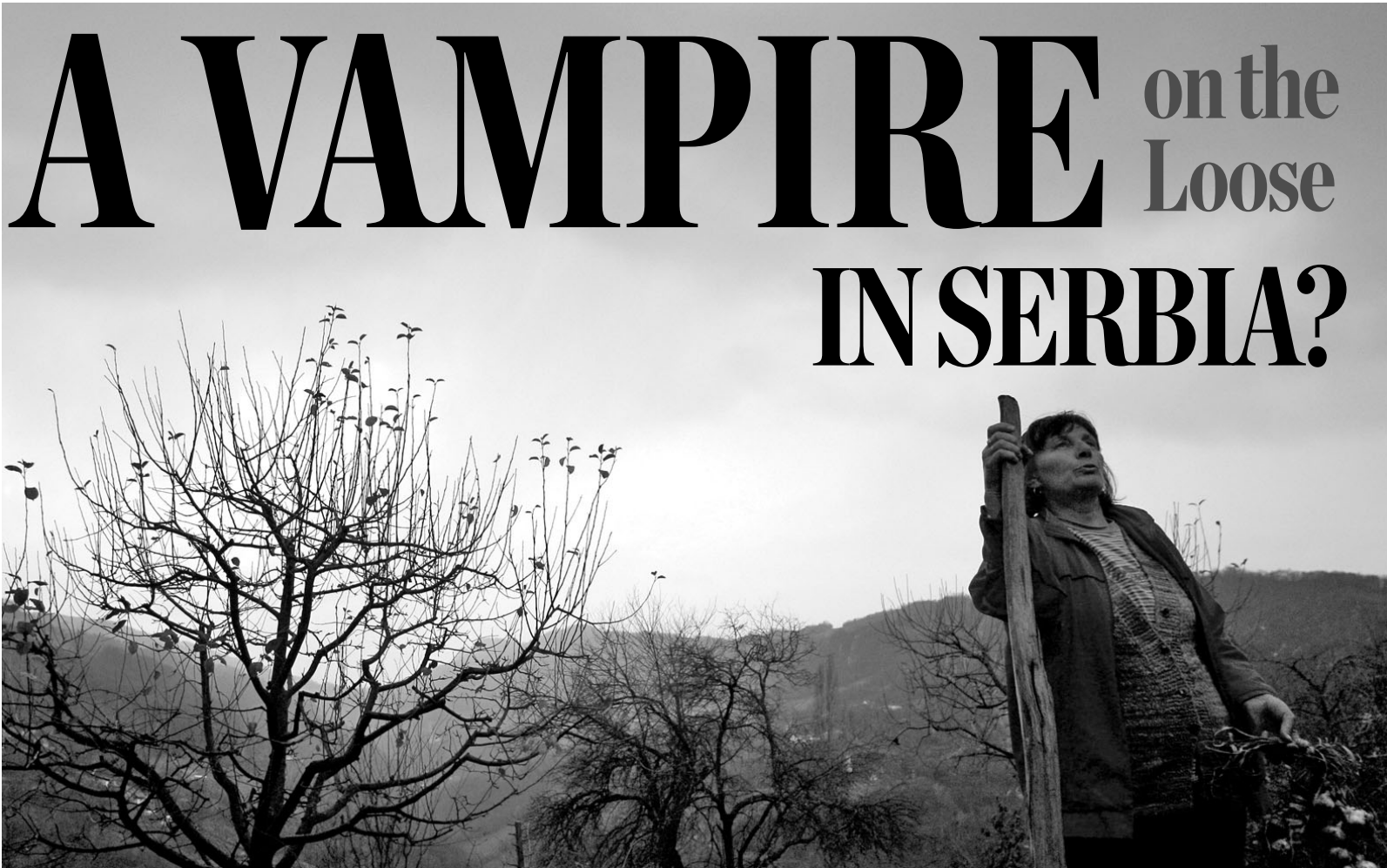
“The ARVs are called the ‘Lazarus drug’ because people rise up and walk,” said Sue Roberts who has been a nurse at the clinic, run by Right to Care in Johannesburg’s Helen Joseph Hospital, since it opened its doors in 1992. She said they recently treated a woman who was pushed in a wheelchair for 1.8 miles to avoid a taxi fare and who was so sick it was touch and go. Two weeks later, the woman walked to the clinic, Roberts said.

Such stories of hope and progress are readily available on World AIDS Day 2012 in sub-Saharan Africa where deaths from AIDS-related causes have declined by 32 percent from 1.8 million in 2005 to 1.2 million in 2011, according to the latest UNAIDS report.

“You have no idea what a beautiful time we’re living in right now,” said one of the doctors at the clinic, Dr. Kay Mahomed, over the chatter of a crowd of patients outside her door.

President Jacob Zuma’s government decided to give the best care, including TB screening and care at the clinic, and not to look at the cost, she said. South Africa has increased the numbers treated for HIV by 75 percent in the last two years, UNAIDS said, and new HIV infections have fallen by more than 50,000 in those two years. South Africa has also increased its domestic expenditure on AIDS to \$1.6 billion, the highest by any low- and middle-income country, the group said.

“Now, you can’t not get better. It’s just one of these win-win situations. You test, you treat and you get better, end of story,” Mahomed said.



Milka Prokic is seen at twilight with a garland of garlic and a wooden stake in the village of Zarozje, near the Serbian town of Bajina Basta. Get your garlic, wooden crosses and stakes ready: a bloodsucking vampire is on the loose. (BELOW) Villager Mico Matic displays garlic that he carries in his pockets, in the village of Zarozje, near the Serbian town of Bajina Basta.

# Rumors Spread Fear — and Potential Tourist Opportunity

BY DUSAN STOJANOVIC  
Associated Press

**ZAROZJE, Serbia** • Get your garlic, crosses and stakes ready: a bloodsucking vampire is on the loose.

Or so say villagers in the tiny western Serbian hamlet of Zarozje, nestled between lush green mountain slopes and spooky thick forests. They say rumors that a legendary vampire ghost has awakened are spreading fear — and a potential tourist opportunity — through the remote village.

A local council warned villagers to put garlic in their pockets and place wooden crosses in their rooms to ward off vampires, although it appeared designed more to attract visitors to the impoverished region bordering Bosnia.

Many of the villagers are aware that Sava Savanovic, Serbia’s most famous vampire, is a fairy tale. Still, they say, better to take it seriously than risk succumbing to the vampire’s fangs.

“The story of Sava Savanovic is a legend, but strange things did occur in



these parts back in the old days,” said 55-year-old housewife Milka Prokic, holding a string of garlic in one hand and a large wooden stake in another, as an appropriately moody mist rose above the surrounding hills. “We have inherited this legend from our ancestors, and we keep it alive for the younger generations.”

Vampire legends have played a prominent part in the Balkans for centuries — most prominently Dracula from Romania’s Transylvania region. In the 18th century, the legends sometimes triggered mass hysteria and even public executions of those accused of

being vampires.

Sava Savanovic, described by the Zarozje villagers as Serbia’s first vampire, reputedly drank the blood of those who came to the small shack in the dense oak tree forest to mill their grain on the clear mountain Rogatica river.

The wooden mill collapsed a few months ago — allegedly angering the vampire, who is now looking for a new place to hang his cape.

Some locals claim they can hear steps cracking dry forest leaves and strange sounds coming from the rocky mountain peaks where the vampire was purportedly killed with a sharp stake that pierced his heart — but managed to survive in spirit as a butterfly.

“One should always remain calm, it’s important not to frighten him, you shouldn’t make fun of him,” said villager Mico Matic, 56, whose house is not far from the collapsed mill.

“He is just one of the neighbors, you do your best to be on friendly terms with him,” he said with a wry smile,

displaying garlic from both of his trouser pockets.

Some locals say it’s easy for strangers to laugh at them, but they truly believe.

“Five people have recently died one after another in our small community, one hanging himself,” said Miodrag Vujetic, a local municipal council member. “This is not by accident.”

Vujetic, however, said that “whatever is true about Sava,” locals should use the legend to promote tourism.

“If Romanians could profit on the Dracula legend with the tourists visiting Transylvania, why can’t we do the same with Sava?”

Richard Sugg, a lecturer in Renaissance Studies at the U.K.’s University of Durham and an expert on the vampire legends, said the fear could be very real. Stress can bring on nightmares, which makes people’s feelings of dread even worse.

“The tourists think it is fun — and the Serbian locals think it’s terrifying,” he said.

# Signal Problems Preceded NJ Train Derailment

BY GEOFF MULVIHILL  
Associated Press

**PAULSBORO, N.J.** • A signal may have been malfunctioning on a southern New Jersey bridge where a train derailed, causing a hazardous chemical to spew into the air and leading to health problems, evacuations, tricky cleanup decisions and broader questions about the condition of railway infrastructure.

The crew on the train told investigators that when they approached the bridge before 7 a.m. Friday, the signal light was red, telling them not to cross, National Transportation Safety Board chairman Deborah Hersman said Saturday. The crew found it unusual to get a red light at that hour of the day, she said.

They used a radio signal to try to change the signal to green, but it did not work, Hersman said. She said the conductor got off the train and inspected the aging bridge. When it appeared to be OK, she said, the engineer called for — and received — permission from a dispatcher to go through the red light



Crews spray water on derailed freight train tank cars in Paulsboro, N.J., Saturday after seven cars derailed earlier Friday.

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and cross the bridge.

Only the two locomotives and the first five cars on the southbound train got across the bridge before seven cars derailed. Hersman said the engine was moving 8 mph before the accident — under the 10 mph speed limit.

Hersman said investigators were trying to determine whether other train crews had had the same signal issue lately and whether the signal problems had anything to do with the accident.

Four of the derailed cars, including three that ended up partially in Mantua

Creek, contained vinyl chloride, an ingredient in the common plastic PVC. A gas, vinyl chloride can induce respiratory problems, dizziness and other health effects after short-term exposure — and liver problems and other complications after high levels of exposure over time.

The accident ripped a hole inside one of the tankers, causing the gas to escape.

More than 70 people went to an emergency room Friday, none of them with life-threatening injuries.

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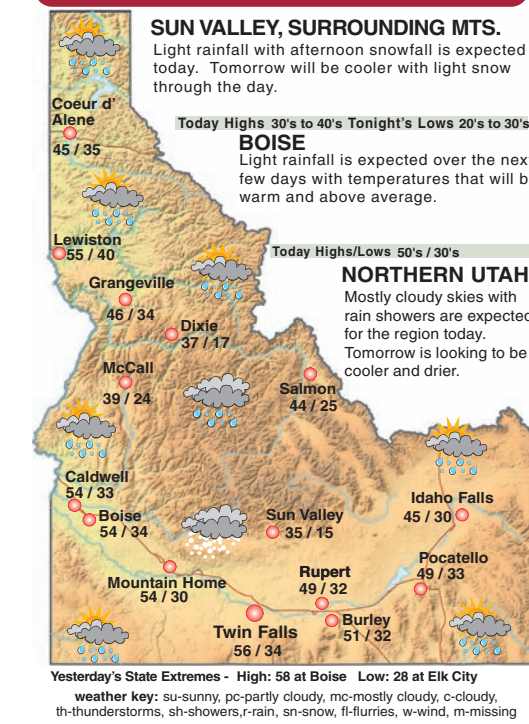
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Tomorrow: Partly cloudy skies. High 46.

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TWIN FALLS FIVE-DAY FORECAST

Today	Tonight	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
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Moon Phases	Moonrise and Moonset
Last Dec. 6	Today Moonrise: 8:59 PM Moonset: 10:40 AM
New Dec. 13	Monday Moonrise: 10:00 PM Moonset: 11:13 AM
First Dec. 20	Tuesday Moonrise: 11:02 PM Moonset: 11:43 AM
Full Dec. 28	

REGIONAL FORECAST

City	Today	Tomorrow	Tuesday
Boise	Hi 34 Lo W	49 39 sh	50 39 sh
Bonniers Ferry	41 35 sh	41 33 mx	41 33 r
Burley	51 32 r	46 33 pc	50 33 r
Challis	43 22 r	37 25 pc	39 25 r
Coeur d'Alene	45 35 sh	39 31 r	43 31 r
Elko, NV	55 25 sh	50 25 pc	53 25 r
Gardiner	51 44 sh	52 48 r	52 48 r
Gooding	50 31 sh	46 33 pc	44 33 sh
Grangeville	45 28 r	39 30 sh	45 30 sh
Hagerman	55 32 sh	51 34 pc	50 34 sh
Hailey	39 19 mx	36 28 pc	41 28 mx
Idaho Falls	45 30 r	41 30 pc	43 30 r
Kalispell, MT	45 31 r	41 28 sh	41 28 mx
Jerome	53 32 sh	46 34 pc	47 34 sh
Lewiston	55 40 sh	52 41 mc	52 41 r
Malad City	47 31 r	44 30 pc	47 30 r
Malta	45 32 r	43 34 pc	48 34 r
Missoula, MT	45 31 r	40 29 sh	43 29 r
Pocatello	49 33 r	44 37 pc	48 37 r
Portland, OR	49 43 sh	50 47 r	52 47 r
Rupert	49 32 r	46 32 pc	50 32 r
Richland, WA	48 39 sh	47 38 r	50 38 r
Rogerson	48 29 sh	41 29 pc	48 29 r
Salmon	44 25 r	38 21 mx	38 21 r
Salt Lake City, UT	61 33 sh	47 35 pc	54 35 mc
Spokane, WA	48 36 sh	45 34 r	46 34 r
Stanley	37 16 ls	32 15 mc	36 15 ls
Sun Valley	35 15 ls	29 21 mc	37 21 ls
Yellowstone, MT	33 16 ls	26 14 ls	33 14 ls

CANADIAN FORECAST

City	Today	Tomorrow	Today	Tomorrow
Calgary	Hi 19 Lo W	Hi 15 Lo W	Hi 19 Lo W	Hi 15 Lo W
Edmonton	11 -4 pc	11 4 ls	11 -4 pc	11 4 ls
Kelowna	32 22 ls	31 27 ls	32 22 ls	31 27 ls
Lethbridge	35 26 r	38 30 pc	35 26 r	38 30 pc
Regina	35 9 r	36 3 ls	35 9 r	36 3 ls

Yesterday's Weather

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Idaho Falls	54	37	0.33"
Jerome	52	39	0.34"
Lewiston	55	43	0.01"
Lowell	49	40	0.08"
Malad City	n/a	n/a	n/a"
Malta	n/a	n/a	n/a"
Pocatello	54	37	0.41"
Rexburg	52	37	0.31"
Salmon	46	32	0.00"
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Cleveland	61 49 sh	65 54 sh	65 54 sh
Denver	67 36 pc	57 29 pc	57 29 pc
Des Moines	62 48 pc	63 36 r	63 36 r
Detroit	58 47 sh	61 53 pc	61 53 pc
El Paso	71 46 pc	69 40 pc	69 40 pc
Fairbanks	-18 -27 pc	-23 -29 pc	-23 -29 pc
Fargo	48 35 pc	44 25 r	44 25 r
Honolulu	79 68 sh	79 68 sh	79 68 sh
Houston	61 65 sh	80 67 sh	80 67 sh
Indianapolis	61 55 r	67 53 mc	67 53 mc
Jacksonville	76 57 sh	76 58 pc	76 58 pc
Kansas City	70 57 pc	69 39 sh	69 39 sh
Las Vegas	70 52 mc	68 50 pc	68 50 pc
Little Rock	74 57 pc	76 55 pc	76 55 pc
Los Angeles	65 57 r	67 55 sh	67 55 sh
Memphis	72 60 pc	76 59 pc	76 59 pc
Miami	78 68 sh	76 66 sh	76 66 sh
Milwaukee	55 45 pc	60 41 sh	60 41 sh
Nashville	68 52 pc	74 54 pc	74 54 pc
New Orleans	75 59 pc	76 61 pc	76 61 pc
New York	57 52 mc	60 53 pc	60 53 pc
Oklahoma City	78 58 pc	72 45 pc	72 45 pc
Omaha	64 46 pc	60 32 pc	60 32 pc

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Employees in the surrounding area of Coney Island Drive sandbags Friday in Sparks, Nev.

OFFICIALS BRACE FOR WIDESPREAD FLOODING NEAR RENO, NEVADA

**RENO, Nev. (AP)** • Gov. Brian Sandoval toured sandbag pickup sites Saturday as officials and residents prepared ahead of a powerful storm that's stoking fears of widespread flooding in the Reno area. Officials are bracing for major flooding Sunday morning around Truckee, Calif., and for minor to moderate flooding Sunday and Monday around Reno after the National Weather Service issued a flood warning for the

length of the Truckee River. The Truckee, which flows more than 100 miles from Lake Tahoe to Nevada's Pyramid Lake, is expected to crest above flood stage after heavy rains hit the region Saturday night and Sunday morning. Forecasters are calling for minor flooding in downtown Reno and moderate flooding in the Sparks industrial area just to the east. Northern Nevada authorities declared a state of emergency on Friday.

NILE CROC HUNTED NEAR MIAMI

**HOMESTEAD, Fla. (AP)** • State wildlife officials have given their agents a rare order to shoot to kill in the hunt for a young and potentially dangerous Nile crocodile loose near Miami. The Nile crocodile, which hails from Africa, can jump higher, run faster and grow to nearly 20-feet, several feet larger than its American cousin, and has a nastier temperament. And while the American crocodile stays near saltwater like mangroves and estuaries, the

Nile crocodile prefers freshwater, making it more likely to come in contact with humans and domestic animals. Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission officials said they know of only one Nile croc on the loose, but experts said at least two others have been caught in the same area. The commission is investigating where the croc came from, although it likely escaped from a facility or a local breeder, probably as a hatchling. "They get big. They're

vicious. The animals are just more aggressive and they learn that humans are easy targets," said Joe Wasilewski, a reptile expert and veteran wrangler. The American croc "is a gentle animal, believe it or not. That's their nature. They're more fish eaters. They don't consider humans a prey source." But the Nile croc current-

ly at large is only a little over three feet long, not dangerous yet. Still, federal wildlife officials have dispatched a team to kill the animal before it becomes a problem. It's a proactive step in a state plagued by exotic non-native species like the Burmese python, which has overrun the Everglades and upset the delicate ecosystem.



Joe Wasilewski works with a captured Nile crocodile on Wednesday, near his Homestead, Fla., home.

Seeking Renewable Energy, Poland Looks to Sea Wind

**SOPOT, Poland (AP)** • Seeking renewable energy to meet EU recommendations and cut dependence on Russian energy imports, Poland is looking to offshore wind farms as part of the answer. The government has granted 14 licenses for development of wind farms on the Baltic Sea and will review more than two dozen more this year, Transport Minister Slawomir Nowak said Friday at an energy conference in the Baltic resort of Sopot. Nowak said northern Poland could be the nation's energy hub and exporter as wind, nuclear, liquid and shale gas projects are being pursued in the region. Poland is overly reliant on Russia for its energy, importing nearly 70 percent of its gas and 90 percent of its crude oil from its historic foe that has used energy as a political tool. The two countries share a difficult history, including decades of control by Moscow over Poland during the Cold War. Now, the Polish government is trying to decrease Russia's control over its energy market, and at the same time meet European Union recommendations to increase

renewable energy sources by 2030. Poland is also phasing out coal production to meet goals to reduce carbon emissions. The need to save energy — on the grid level and at home — was also discussed during the two-day Energy Forum of government officials and experts from Europe, the United States and China, that closed on Friday.

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# HELP US DECIDE TOP SPORTS STORIES OF 2012



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Typically, we publish a year in review package or series toward the end of December. Over the years, we’ve incorporated various methods to pick the finalists.

The top Magic Valley sports story of 2012 was Declo winning its first state football championship. Or maybe it was the College of Southern Idaho volleyball team winning its 10th national title. Then again, it could be Sierra Harr’s fight to golf with the boys. Or ... maybe I should just ask the audience. I know, I know, all voting of import happened last month. Or so you thought. We’re asking you,



readers, to pull the lever one more time. Typically, we publish a year in review package or series toward the end of December. Over the years, we’ve incorporated various methods to pick the finalists. This

year, we’re asking for your help. At Magicvalley.com, we set up a poll where you can choose from more than 20 nominated top sports stories of the year. Your votes will help us pare the list to 10, which will be highlighted in the 2012 Magic Valley Sports Year in Review package. Most championships are nominated, including Lighthouse Christian’s volleyball title, Declo’s football title and several prep and CSI titles. Along with those are a

handful of compelling stories that didn’t always end in a title but were interesting nonetheless. If there’s one we missed, nominate it by emailing sports@magicvalley.com. For these purposes, stories must have involved athletes from District IV high schools or the College of Southern Idaho. If you’re anything like me, it’s fun to peruse the list simply for nostalgia’s sake. I see Erik Harris’ pursuit of the distance triple on the list and remember the epic

racers he ran against Pocatello’s Elijah Armstrong. CSI’s volleyball title, though more recent, is also a fun memory. There’s something about national championships, even when you’re covering them and not playing, that sticks with you forever. Voting is open today and closes next Sunday. If nothing else, it’s a fun look down memory lane. Only this time, you choose the memories. Happy voting.

## Southwick, No. 25 Boise State Beats Nevada 27-21

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RENO, Nev. • Boise State coach Chris Petersen stated the obvious for the thousands of orange-and-blue clad fans who made the trip to Reno on Saturday to watch the 25th-ranked Broncos earn a share of the Mountain West Conference and ensure their nation-best seventh consecutive 10-win season. “It’s better than last time we were here,” he said. D.J. Harper ran for 130 yards and a touchdown and Joe Southwick threw for two more scores to lead Boise State past Nevada 27-21 on Saturday. Boise State (10-2, 7-1) opened up a 17-point lead in the third quarter just like it did in 2010 when Nevada stormed back to score one of the biggest victories in school history, 34-31 in overtime. But this time the Broncos’ defense put the clamps on the Nevada offense that was averaging 38 points per game. And just as the home team seemed to be gaining some momentum, tight



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Boise State’s Grant Hedrick (9) runs down the sideline against Nevada’s defense during the first half of Saturday’s college football game in Reno, Nev.

end Zach Sudfeld fumbled the ball on the way into the end zone, silencing the sell-out crowd of 30,007, the fifth largest in Mackay Stadium history. “You know a game like this going to come down to a couple of plays and you’re going to have to get a couple

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### CSI BASKETBALL

## Strong Second Half Powers CSI Men

BY NICK RULAND  
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TWIN FALLS • It was only an eight-point halftime lead. For much of the first 20 minutes of Saturday’s game, the College of Southern Idaho men’s basketball team appeared a step slow, distracted by the whistle and a tad disinterested — a relative term for the almost-always ultra-intense Golden Eagles. And then CSI went on to do even more than it could have reasonably been expected to,

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### CSI 105, Chemeketa, Ore. 57

CHEMEKETA CC (57)  
Batey 2-2 4-4 8, Begin 1-4 0-0 2, Kauffman 2-14 2-4 7, Nelson 3-8 0-0 6, Phillips 4-12 1-2 10, Branch 2-5 1-2 5, Prazeau 1-3 0-0 2, Hutt 1-9 0-0 2, Howard 2-3 6-6 12, Saba 0-3 0-0 0, Molan 1-8 0-0 2. Totals 19-71 41-57.  
CSI (105)  
Alford 5-6 4-4 16, Reid 5-10 1-4 15, Ritchie 3-6 0-0 7, Reader 4-7 4-8 13, Paige 8-15 0-0 18, Johnson 4-9 2-4 13, Pulsifer 3-9 0-0 11, Esume 0-0 1-2 1, Ritchie 2-8 1-4 5, Newman 2-8 1-4 15, Rosette 0-1 0-0 0, Storey 4-10 0-0 8, Michineau 2-4 0-0 5. Totals 40-84 13-26 105.  
Halftime: CSI 37, Chemeketa 29. 3-point goals: Chemeketa 5-22 (Begin 1-2, Kauffman 1-5, Nelson 0-2, Phillips 1-3, Branch 0-1, Prazeau 0-2, Hutt 2-2, Saba 0-3, Molan 0-2) CSI 12-27 (Alford 2-2, Reid 4-8, Paige 2-5, Ritchie 0-1, Rosette 0-1, Pulsifer 0-2, Michineau 1-3, Johnson 3-5) Rebounds: Chemeketa 35 (Howard 12), CSI 70 (Newman 15). Assists: Chemeketa 11 (Kauffman 3) CSI 23 (Storey 6) Turnovers: Chemeketa 19, CSI 18. Team fouls: Chemeketa 21, CSI 20.



CSI’s Billy Reader takes the ball up against Chemeketa Community College’s Gavin Kauffman Saturday night at CSI in Twin Falls. See more photos from the game at magicvalley.com/gallery.

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## CSI WOMEN BLITZED BY SHERIDAN

BY NICK RULAND  
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TWIN FALLS • This was not what Randy Rogers had in mind. The College of Southern Idaho women’s basketball team and its coach collectively acknowledged that it would have to play better than it did Friday night to beat Sheridan College (Wyo.), a team that had won seven of 10 games prior to Saturday.

In its 68-46 loss, a case can be made that the Golden Eagles played worse. “It’s disappointing,” Rogers said. “I hope that’s not us. We were running into each other, fumbling the ball. I’d like to say it’s just one of those days, but this is college basketball.” For a second consecutive Saturday, CSI (4-6) was held under 10 percent from the 3-point line, going

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### Sheridan, Wyo. 68, CSI 46

SHERIDAN (68)  
Irons 7-12 1-1 16, Bennett 4-7 3-6 13, Kirlau 9-14 2-6 20, Nani 4-11 1-5 9, Davis 3-15 0-0 6, Willie 0-3 0-0 0, Sessions 0-1 0-0 0, Forney 1-5 2-4 4. Totals 28-68 9-22 68.  
CSI (46)  
Dent 1-5 0-0 2, Toston 3-13 2-4 8, Tanner 2-7 2-2 6, Grinsell 1-5 1-2 3, Saint-Felix 3-5 2-6 10, Dufurrena 0-5 2-2 2, Dill 0-3 2-2 2, Roussas 0-1 0-0 0, Franklin 1-3 0-0 2, Viehweg 3-9 1-4 7, Furniss 0-4 0-0 0, Wirth 0-2 0-0 0, Skidmore 0-4 0-0 0, Tanner 2-7 2-2 4, Prestwich 1-6 0-0 3. Totals 15-72 14-22 46.  
Halftime: Sheridan 31, CSI 25. 3-point goals: Sheridan (Irons 1-3, Bennett 2-3, Nani 0-1, Davis 0-1); CSI 2-24 (Dent 1-4, Roussas 0-1, Toston 0-3, Skidmore 0-3, Wirth 0-1, Franklin 0-1, Tanner 0-1, Skidmore 0-3, Furniss 0-3, Wirth 0-1). Rebounds: Sheridan 54 (Nani 11); CSI 55 (Saint-Felix 9). Assists: Sheridan 16 (Kirlau 5); CSI 9 (Furniss 3). Turnovers: Sheridan 16, CSI 23. Team fouls: Sheridan 20; CSI 18.

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# BSU

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breaks, we're going to have to get a couple turnovers," Petersen said. "A play like that makes all the difference in the world."

Boise State gave itself a slim chance to reach the BCS, but the Broncos will have to move up at least four spots in the last standings to the top 16 and be ahead of Mid-American Conference champ Northern Illinois to grab a bid to the marquee games.

They'll probably have to settle for something smaller, again.

"I know we'll play somebody good," Petersen said.

"There are no bad teams going to bowl games."

Stefphon Jefferson ran for 139 yards and a touchdown and Cody Fajardo passed for 203 yards and ran for 81 for the Wolf Pack (7-5, 4-4), who lost four of their last five games after starting the season 6-1.

Matt Miller caught seven passes for 127 yards, including a 52-yard touchdown from Southwick that put Boise ahead late 24-7.

Southwick completed 19 of 26 for 199 yards.

"We made plays when we had to," Southwick said. "Nevada didn't quit. We knew they weren't going to quit, just like two years ago here. They came out and fought hard. On offense, we

had one or two little, little mistakes that kept us out of big drives. But we still did enough to win the game."

Michael Frisina made the second of two field goals from 30 yards with 3:30 left in the game to make it 27-14.

Fajardo capped a 74-yard scoring drive with a 6-yard TD run to pull within 27-21 with 2:27 left. Nevada tried an on-side kick but Harper recovered on the Wolf Pack 44 with 2:25 remaining to put the brakes on a comeback.

"Unfortunately, our offense started clicking too late and it ended up in a loss," Fajardo said. "Their defense is very sound. They have 11 players playing together and it's tough to execute against that."



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**Boise State's Joe Southwick (16) celebrates after D.J. Harper (7) scored a touchdown against Nevada during the first half of Saturday's college football game in Reno, Nev.**

## LOCAL ROUNDUP

## CSI Men

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scoring 68 second-half points en route to a 105-57 victory against Chemeketa Community College (Ore.).

"It took us time to adjust to the speed of the game," coach Steve Gosar said. "We got settled in, made the necessary adjustments and made their shots a lot harder (in the second half)."

Chemeketa plays unconventionally, starting five wings or guards and playing without a post-player. It led to four first-half 3-point makes, many of them lightly contested shots as Golden Eagles bigs Billy Reader and Juwan Newman had to calibrate to longer rotations, especially on the baseline where Chemeketa drained corner 3s.

Compounding the first-half troubles were point guards Kareem Storey and Montigo Alford getting in early foul trouble, stifling CSI's transition game.

"When they are out it

slows us down," Gosar said. "Those guys are so hard to guard in transition. From the foul line, I don't know if anyone is faster with the ball. When teams try to contain them in transition, it leaves Jaysean (Paige), Darius (Johnson), and James (Reid) open for 3s. And I think transition 3s are great for this team, because they come in rhythm."

The Golden Eagles (9-2) drained eight second-half 3s. And once they locked in to Chemeketa's spread offense, CSI began to use its size advantage. Newman, whose impact has been absent in a few games this year, snagged 15 rebounds in just 18 minutes. Reader added 13 in 20 minutes and the two combined for 14 offensive rebounds.

"I was just waiting for this opportunity to show how hard I play," Newman said. "That (put-back) dunk in the second half felt good."

Jon Pulsifer, one of the team's most important players in the early season, went down with a knee injury in the second half. He'll have an MRI on Monday.

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**TWIN FALLS •** Connor Meyerhoeffer scored 24 as the Twin Falls boys basketball team picked up a win in its home opener Saturday, beating Idaho Falls 60-42.

Damon Jones and Thomas Corr had seven points for the Bruins (1-1), who visit Madison on Tuesday.

**TWIN FALLS 60, IDAHO FALLS 42**  
Idaho Falls 18 10 16 8 22 -42  
Twin Falls 14 8 16 16 22 -60  
**IDAHO FALLS (42)**  
Romrell 2, Powell 2, Hart 5, Cammack 8, Wright 2, Vinson 6, Andrus 16, Bowser 1. Totals 17 47 42.  
**TWIN FALLS (60)**  
Merritt 5, Leon 2, Jones 7, Corr 7, K. Meyerhoeffer 2, C. Meyerhoeffer 24, A. Meyerhoeffer 5, Jardine 2, Schenk 6. Totals 24 75 60.  
3-point goals: Idaho Falls 4 (Andrus 2, Cammack 2); Twin Falls 5 (C. Meyerhoeffer 2, Merritt, Jones, Corr). Total fouls: Idaho Falls 16, Twin Falls 13. Fouled out: K. Meyerhoeffer.

**VALLEY 60, RAFT RIVER 35**  
**HAZELTON •** Valley senior Justin Johnson led all players with 19 points and 12 rebounds in the home win over the Trojans. Cole Lickley finished with 14 as the Vikings improved to 2-0.

Tanner Anderson and Ethan Hansen each scored eight points for Raft River.

Valley hosts Hagerman on Wednesday. Raft River hosts Rockland on Thursday.

**Raft River Valley RAFT RIVER (35)**  
Guadarrama 2, Anderson 8, Zollinger 5, Steed 6, Moss 2, Hansen 8, Spencer 4. Totals 10 2-6 35.  
**VALLEY (60)**  
Johnson 19, Lickley 14, Mussmann 1, Reed 5, Nelson 5, Cariguist 2, Benavidez 2, Rife 12. Totals 23 11-23 60.  
3-point goals: Raft River 1 (Zollinger); Valley 3 (Rife 2, Reed). Total fouls: Raft River 17; Valley 8. Fouled out: Anderson.

**MINICO 61, BUHL 52**  
**RUPERT •** Isaiah Harris scored a game-high 20 points, followed by Brian Christensen with 19 in the season-opening home win for the Spartans.

Dylan Burnum led the Indians with 10 points and Kade Crossland, Kasey Crossland and Hayden Eckert each had nine.

Buhl hosts Wendell and Minico hosts American Falls on Tuesday.

**Buhl Minico**  
Eckert 9, Hernandez 2, Oppedyk 7, DeKruyf 6, Kad. Crossland 9, Kas. Crossland 9, Burnum 10. Totals 20 5-10 52.  
**MINICO (61)**  
Chavez 3, Stallings 5, Christensen 19, Harper 8, Wilkins 7, Harris 20. Totals 21 15-25 61.

3-point goals: Buhl 7 (Kas. Crossland 3, Eckert 3, Kad. Crossland); Minico 4 (Christensen 3, Chavez). Total fouls: Buhl 18, Minico 15. Fouled out: Kas. Crossland.

**DECLO 37, KIMBERLY 30**  
**KIMBERLY •** Kyle Heward and Kai Garner each scored eight points in the visiting Hornets' win over the Bulldogs. Riley Carlton and Dakota Ray each tossed in 10 points for Kimberly.

Kimberly (0-3) is at Jerome on Tuesday. Declo hosts Malad on Thursday.

**Declo Kimberly**  
Declo 11 7 8 5 7 11 7 -37  
Kimberly 5 3 5 5 5 5 5 -30  
Mangum 4, Webb 5, Hansen 6, Moore 4, Garner 8, Matthews 2, Heward 8. Totals 15 5-19 37.  
**KIMBERLY (30)**  
Sutherland 2, Carlton 10, Cress 2, Clements 6, Ray 10. Totals 11 6-22 30.  
3-point goals: Declo 2 (Mangum, Garner); Kimberly 2 (Ray). Total fouls: Declo 17; Kimberly 17. Fouled out: none.

**OAKLEY 41, RIMROCK 37**  
**DIETRICH •** McKynley Sagers scored 14 points as the Hornets downed the Raiders in the consolation game of the Dietrich Holiday Tournament.

Oakley (2-1) hosts Rockland on Wednesday.

**Oakley Rimrock**  
Oakley 10 8 5 3 15 11 15 -41  
Rimrock 8 3 3 3 15 11 15 -37  
Elquist 2, Bedke 3, Marchant 4, Andrew 5, Wybenga 7, Sagers 14, Guerrero 6, Totals 16 7-10 41.  
**RIMROCK (37)**  
Simper 3, Ayala 4, Lemieux 8, Black 11, Meyers 11. Totals 14 8-19 37.  
3-point goals: Rimrock 1 (Lemieux). Total fouls: Oakley 16; Rimrock 12. Fouled out: Sagers; Lemieux. Technical fouls: Oakley, bench.

**DIETRICH 59, ROCKLAND 42**  
**DIETRICH •** Trey Dill had 13 points and 13 rebounds as the Blue Devils moved to 2-0 on the season.

Jacob Dalton scored 13 and Kayden Power added 10 for Dietrich, while Logan Porter added three assists and five steals to his four points.

Dietrich visits Castleford

on Thursday.

**Rockland Dietrich**  
Rockland 1 18 8 6 9 18 24 -42  
Dietrich 1 18 8 6 9 18 17 -59  
**ROCKLAND (42)**  
C. Robinson 8, Turley 12, Kirby 4, Permarn 9, J. Robinson 9. Totals 15 9-23 42.  
**DIETRICH (59)**  
Porter 4, Tew 4, Howard 2, Weber 6, Dill 13, Perron 7, Dalton 13, Power 10. Totals 24 9-12 59.  
3-point goals: Rockland 3 (Permarn 2, Turley); Dietrich 2 (Dill, Perron). Total fouls: Rockland 15, Dietrich 20. Fouled out: none.

## Girls Basketball

**WOOD RIVER 32, BUHL 27**

**BUHL •** Sydney Tidwell scored 12 points to give the Wolverines their first win of the season.

Amy Morse scored a team high 10 for Buhl (1-5), which visits Declo on Tuesday.

Wood River improved to 1-5 on the season.

**Wood River Buhl**  
Wood River 11 5 8 8 6 4 7 10 -32  
Buhl 5 5 8 8 6 4 7 10 -37  
**WOOD RIVER (32)**  
Schott 1, Belloli 6, Sutton 2, Peavey 7, Tidwell 12, Pettit 2, Andrade 2. Totals 13 6-17 32.  
**BUHL (27)**  
Archibald 2, Bowman 5, Brodine 2, Bohling 2, A. Morse 10, Lively 6. Totals 11 3-10 27.  
3-point goals: Buhl 2 (Bowman, Morse). Total fouls: Wood River 14, Buhl 14. Fouled out: Buhl, N. Morse.

**IDAHO FALLS 44, TWIN FALLS 34**  
**IDAHO FALLS •** Marley Taylor scored a game-high 16 to pace the Tigers to the win.

Regan Harr led the Bruins (2-3) with nine points.

**Twin Falls Idaho Falls**  
Twin Falls 6 10 6 14 9 16 13 -34  
Idaho Falls 10 14 16 16 16 16 20 -44  
**TWIN FALLS (34)**  
Merritt 7, Roberts 2, Hutchinson 8, Harr 9, Harris 4, Moffitt 4. Totals 13 6-11 34.  
**IDAHO FALLS (44)**  
Johnson 1, Klaass 7, Jordan 3, Sanchez 2, Storms 7, Hillam 8, Taylor 16. Totals 13 16-22 44.  
3-point goals: Twin Falls 2 (Merritt 2); Idaho Falls 2 (Jordan, Storms). Total fouls: Twin Falls 19, Idaho Falls 16. Fouled out: none.

**JEROME 48, SHELLEY 44**  
**JEROME •** Jessica Praegitzer scored 15 points to lead Jerome from a 12-point half-time deficit.

Kaitlyn Kelley added 13 points for the Tigers (4-2), who won their fourth straight game.

Jerome visits Minico on Wednesday.

**Shelley Jerome**  
Shelley 18 7 11 10 4 16 11 -44  
Jerome 7 7 11 10 4 16 15 -48  
**SHELLEY (44)**  
Call 18, Dooley 1, Nelson 8, Yancey 2, Young 6, Orme 9. Totals 16 7-14 44.  
**JEROME (48)**

## LOCAL BRIEFS

## College Report Information Requested

The *Times-News* is looking for information on former area high school athletes competing in fall sports at the collegiate level. Please email information to sports@magicvalley.com no later than Dec. 12 for inclusion in the fall college report, which will be published Dec. 15-16. Information must be independently verifiable to be included in the report.

## Southern Idaho Baseball Camp

The 30th annual Southern Idaho Baseball Instructional Camp will be held Dec. 27-29 at the College of Southern Idaho. Campers will receive quality instruction in pitching, hitting, fielding and catching from pro, college and high school coaches. The camp will be held indoors at the Eldon Evans Expo Center.

Information: 732-6491.

## TFGC Winter Specials

Twin Falls Golf Club's winter rates have begun. Greens fees are \$10, with

cart rentals an additional \$10 per person (18 holes).

## Burley GC Winter Rates

Burley Golf Course's winter rates are in effect. Greens fees are \$12 for nine holes, \$17 for 18 holes, all you can play. Cart fees extra. Open daily 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., weather permitting. Information: 878-9807.

## Youth Tennis Lessons

The E Street YMCA will stage youth tennis lessons for all skill levels through Dec. 21. Beginners (ages 5-7) will run Wednesdays, intermediates (8-13) on Mondays and Thursdays, and advanced (11-18) on Tuesdays and Fridays. All sessions are from 4:30 to 6 p.m. Cost is \$50 for beginner lessons, \$100 for intermediate and advanced. Information: 420-5302.

## JRD Youth Basketball

Jerome Recreation District will hold youth basketball registration through Dec. 3 for boys and girls in grades 1-6. Fees are \$17 in district, \$27 outside of district. Games are played on Saturdays beginning Jan. 12, lasting six weeks.

Information: 324-3389.

## Twin Falls Youth Basketball

The Twin Falls Parks and Recreation Department will hold registration for boys winter basketball through Dec. 3. Cost is \$20 in city limits and \$30 outside city limits. A \$10 late fee applies for registrations after Dec. 3. Jerseys are available for \$10. Winter basketball is open to boys in grades K-6.

Practice starts the week of Jan. 7, with games on Saturdays from Jan. 19-March 2 and an all-day tournament for grades 4-6 on March 9. Volunteer coaches are needed. Information: 736-2265.

## Adult Basketball League

Twin Falls Parks and Recreation will be taking team rosters for the 2013 adult basketball leagues until 5:30 p.m. Dec. 7.

The women's league will consist of 10 league games plus a double-elimination tournament for \$500, and the men's leagues will consist of a 12 game season with a double-elimination tournament for \$580.

Games start Jan. 8 and run through April and will be

Stauffer 1, Grove 4, Praegitzer 15, Green 8, Lott 1, Kelley 13, Bright 6. Totals 16 8-16 48.  
3-point goals: Shelley 5 (Call 3, Nelson 2); Jerome 8 (Praegitzer 3, Green 2, Kelley 2, Grove). Total fouls: Shelley 17, Jerome 15. Fouled out: none.

**CAREY 34, SHOSHONE 30**  
**SHOSHONE •** The Indians made eight field goals and shot only 18 percent in the home loss to the Panthers.

Jaide Parke was the leading scorer for the game with 16 points for Carey followed by Lilly Rivera with 13 including three 3-pointers.

Jessie Simonson and Di-ana Vaught each scored seven for the Indians.

Shoshone (3-3) is at Grace on Thursday.

**Carey Shoshone**  
Carey 7 8 1 5 14 10 12 -34  
Shoshone 1 16 16 16 16 16 16 16 -30  
**CAREY (34)**  
J. Parke 16, Rivera 13, Cenarrusa 2, M. Parke 3. Totals 10 11-24.  
**SHOSHONE (30)**  
Sanchez 7, Stein 3, Vaught 4, Hadden 7, Simonson 7, Lewis 2, Race 6. Totals 8 13-23 30.  
3-point goals: Carey 3 (Rivera 3); Shoshone 1 (Hadden). Total fouls: Carey 18; Shoshone 16. Fouled out: Zarate, Rivera; Simonson.

## OAKLEY 37, CASTLEFORD 31

**OAKLEY •** Aleiha Cranney had a team-high 11 points in the Hornets home win over the Wolves. Katelyn Gandolfo and Morgan Myers led Castleford with nine points.

Oakley (2-2) hosts Raft River on Tuesday. Castleford hosts Hagerman on Wednesday.

**Castleford Oakley**  
Castleford 9 9 5 9 9 9 19 -37  
Oakley 2 5 4 4 9 9 19 -37  
**CASTLEFORD (31)**  
Elsner 3, Harr 1, Schlund 2, Weekes 7, Gandolfo 9, Myers 9. Totals 10 10-32 31.  
**OAKLEY (37)**  
Martin 3, Lierman 3, Palmer 8, Haley Critchfield 2, Hale 6, Lind 4, Cranney 11. Totals 13 11-33 37.  
3-point goals: Castleford 1 (Gandolfo). Total fouls: Castleford 23; Oakley 26. Fouled out: Elsner, Oakley, Setok.

## Late Friday Boys Basketball

**AMERICAN FALLS 63, KIMBERLY 51**  
Kimberly 11 11 14 18 10 20 -51  
American Falls 11 14 18 18 20 20 -63  
**KIMBERLY (51)**  
Sutherland 2, Carlton 6, Nebeker 1, Cress 16, Clements 4, Millward 2, Hatch 2, Ray 8, Bair 8, Sargeant 2. Totals 17 14-29 51.  
**AMERICAN FALLS (63)**  
Schutt 24, Patterson 7, Herseim 5, Stuart 3, Hall 8, Lasley 6, Bammert 10. Totals 19 21-33 63.  
3-point goals: Kimberly 3 (Cress Ray, Bair); American Falls 4 (Schutt 3, Hall). Total fouls: Kimberly 23; American Falls 24. Fouled out: none. Technical fouls: Kimberly coach.

## played on weeknights at Robert Stuart or O'Leary middle schools.

Information: 736-2265 or bmason@tfid.org.

## CRHS Boxing Smoker

The "Rumble at the Ridge" Boxing Smoker will be held at 7 p.m. Dec. 15 at Canyon Ridge High School. General admission tickets are \$10 and ringside tickets are \$15. Tickets can be purchased from any football player or at the high school.

Information: Justin Alsterlund at 301-8796.

## CSI Christmas Hoops Camp

The College of Southern Idaho men's basketball program will host its annual Christmas basketball camp Dec. 27-28 from 9 a.m. to noon in the CSI main gym. All participants will work directly with the CSI staff and players while learning in a variety of drills and games. Every participant will also receive a free T-shirt and team poster. Cost is \$45 before Dec. 18, \$55 after.

Information: Colby Blaine at 340-7588 or Alex Wells at 316-5905.

Staff reports



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**CSI's Sarah Viehweg takes the ball up against Sheridan College's Milomilo Nani, right, and Brodie Bennett, back, Saturday night at CSI in Twin Falls. See more photos of the game at Magicvalley.com/gallery.**

## CSI Women

Continued from Sports 1

2-for-24 against the Generals. CSI shot just 20.8 percent from the field.

Last Saturday against Miles (Mont.), the Golden Eagles shot 2-for-22 from beyond the arc but made a game of it by corralling 23 offensive rebounds. This Saturday, CSI did not have the same fight on the boards, collecting just 13 out of more than 60 total misses — a low mark for a team that's made offensive rebounding a top priority this season.

Against Sheridan College, it seemed as though the constant clanks began to wear on CSI mentally.

"They were daring us to shoot it," Rogers said. "We turned the ball over 23 times in second half. I thought our kids starting thinking about the shots, and the score instead of the next pass, the next move."

Sheridan played a 2-3 zone against the Golden

Eagles, crowding post players Jessy Saint-Felix and Sarah Viehweg on the elbows and in the paint — CSI's best hope for half-court offense — to force outside shots. Despite trying three different zone sets, the Golden Eagles rarely got clean looks inside and didn't get the percentage of offensive rebounds a zone defense should allow against an aggressive rebounding team.

For Rogers, the stat sheet wasn't as discouraging as the context of the numbers — many of CSI's misses were open shots.

"We're going to see a whole lot of zones this year if it keeps going like that," Rogers said.

Moriah Dill, who like many of her teammates seems to shoot much better in practices and scrimmages, can't see the team-wide slump going on in perpetuity.

"It's really frustrating," Dill said. "At a point it's like you don't know what to do. No, we are not a 10-percent shooting team. That's terrible. I think it will get better."



## NBA

## PARSONS, PATTERSON LEAD ROCKETS PAST JAZZ

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**HOUSTON** • Patrick Patterson scored 20 points, Chandler Parsons and Jeremy Lin had 19 apiece and the Houston Rockets beat the Utah Jazz 124-116 on Saturday night.

James Harden finished with 18 points for the Rockets, who shot 55 percent (46 of 83) and hit half of their 3-point shots at 11 of 22. Greg Smith and Carlos Delfino each scored 13.

Gordon Hayward had 13 of his 21 points in the second half and Al Jefferson and Randy Foye each scored 20 for Utah. The Jazz lost despite shooting 51 percent (48 of 94) overall and going 11 for 20 from 3-point range.

Omer Asik had 14 points and 12 rebounds for Houston. He briefly left the game after taking an elbow from Hayward, but returned for the final minutes.

The Rockets have won five straight home games. Utah has dropped three of its last four road games.

Utah took advantage of Houston's sloppiness at the start to build an early lead. But Utah's shooting tapered off with the reserves on the floor early in the second quarter.

Houston led 58-49 at the break after hitting 23 of 39 shots (59 percent) in the first



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**Houston Rockets guard James Harden (13) goes to the basket while double-teamed by Utah Jazz forwards Al Jefferson (25) and Paul Millsap (24) in the first half of a basketball game on Saturday in Houston.**

half, its best percentage for a half this season. Parsons went 5 for 7 for 13 points and Asik made all four of his shots for 11 points in the half.

**SPURS 99, GRIZZLIES 95, OT**  
**SAN ANTONIO** • Tony Parker scored 30 points, Tim

Duncan had 27 points and 15 rebounds, and the San Antonio Spurs shook off a "disappointing" \$250,000 fine by the NBA to beat the Memphis Grizzlies.

Coach Gregg Popovich said before the win he doesn't know if the Spurs will ap-

peal the NBA's stiff penalty for sending Duncan, Parker and two others home to rest Thursday instead of them suiting up against the Miami Heat in a nationally televised game.

Popovich said he was disappointed by Commissioner

David Stern's decision. He also didn't rule out sitting out players again in the future.

**HEAT 102, NETS 89**  
**MIAMI** • Dwyane Wade scored a season-high 34 points, LeBron James added

## SCOREBOARD

## Odds

## NFL

## Today

FAVORITE	OPEN TODAY	O/U	UNDERDOG
at Chicago	4 3½	(37½)	Seattle
at Green Bay	9 8½	(46)	Minnesota
at San Francisco	7 7½	(40½)	at St. Louis
at N.Y. Jets	3½	5 (37)	Arizona
Carolina	1 3	(40½)	at Kansas City
at Detroit	4½	6 (51½)	Indianapolis
at Buffalo	6 6	(44½)	Jacksonville
New England	7 7½	(51½)	at Miami
Houston	4½	6½ (47)	at Tennessee
at Denver	6½	7½ (50½)	Tampa Bay
at Baltimore	8 8	(35)	Pittsburgh
Cleveland	PK	2 (38½)	at Oakland
Cincinnati	+1 2	(46)	at San Diego
at Dallas	9 10½	(43)	Philadelphia
<b>Tomorrow</b>			
N.Y. Giants	PK	2½ (51)	at Washington

## NCAA BASKETBALL

FAVORITE	LINE	UNDERDOG
Clemson	3½	at South Carolina
at Saint Louis	6½	Valparaiso
at Wisconsin	4½	California
at Akron	3½	Middle Tenn.
Maryland-x	4½	George Mason
Wichita St.	7	at Air Force
at Stanford	11½	Denver
at Washington	10½	Cal St.-Fullerton
George Washington-x	1	Manhattan
Niagara	7½	at Seattle
Michigan		
Boise St.	5	at Cent.
x-at Verizon Center		

## NBA

FAVORITE	LINE	UNDERDOG
at New York	9	Phoenix
at L.A. Lakers	12	Orlando

## Basketball

## NBA STANDINGS

EASTERN	W	L	Pct	GB
<b>ATLANTIC</b>				
New York	11	4	.733	—
Brooklyn	11	5	.688	½
Philadelphia	9	7	.568	2
Boston	7	8	.529	3
Toronto	4	13	.235	8
<b>SOUTHEAST</b>				
Miami	12	3	.800	—
Atlanta	9	5	.643	2½
Charlotte	7	8	.467	5
Orlando	5	10	.333	7
Washington	1	13	.071	10½
<b>CENTRAL</b>				
Milwaukee	8	7	.533	—
Chicago	8	7	.533	—
Indiana	8	8	.500	½
Detroit	5	13	.278	4½
Cleveland	4	13	.235	5
<b>WESTERN</b>				
<b>SOUTHWEST</b>				
Memphis	12	3	.800	½
San Antonio	14	4	.778	—
Houston	8	8	.500	5
Dallas	8	9	.471	5½
New Orleans	4	11	.267	8½
<b>NORTHWEST</b>				
Oklahoma City	14	4	.778	—
Utah	9	9	.500	5
Denver	8	9	.471	5½
Minnesota	7	8	.467	5½
Portland	7	10	.412	6½
<b>PACIFIC</b>				
Golden State	9	6	.600	—
L.A. Clippers	8	6	.600	—
L.A. Lakers	8	8	.500	1½
Phoenix	7	10	.412	3
Sacramento	4	11	.267	5

<b>Friday's Games</b>
Philadelphia 104, Charlotte 98
Toronto 101, Phoenix 97
Brooklyn 98, Orlando 86
Boston 96, Portland 78
Cleveland 113, Atlanta 111
New York 108, Washington 87
Minnesota 95, Milwaukee 85
Memphis 90, Detroit 78
Oklahoma City 106, Utah 94
Indiana 97, Sacramento 92
L.A. Lakers 122, Denver 103

<b>Saturday's Games</b>
Portland 118, Cleveland 117,201
Miami 102, Brooklyn 89
Chicago 93, Philadelphia 88
Houston 124, Utah 116
Oklahoma City 100, New Orleans 79
San Antonio 99, Memphis 95, OT
Milwaukee 91, Boston 88
Dallas 92, Detroit 77
Indiana at Golden State, late
Sacramento at L.A. Clippers, late

<b>Sunday's Games</b>
Phoenix at New York, 10 a.m.
Orlando at L.A. Lakers, 7:30 p.m.
Portland at Charlotte, 5 p.m.
Portland at Detroit, 5:30 p.m.
Milwaukee at New Orleans, 6 p.m.
Toronto at Denver, 7 p.m.
L.A. Clippers at Utah, 7 p.m.
Orlando at Golden State, 8:30 p.m.

<b>MAVERICKS 92, PISTONS 77</b>
<b>DETROIT (77)</b>
Prince 5-14 1-22, Maxiell 4-11 2-22, Monroe 4-17 0-1
8, Knight 6-14 6-22, Singler 3-6 5-12, Stuckey 4-11
0-9, Drummond 1-0 0-2, Villanueva 0-5 0-0 0,
Maggiore 2-6 0-4, Totals 29-85 14-18 77.

<b>DALLAS (92)</b>
Marion 3-8 1-2, Crowder 1-8 2-3 4, Kaman 5-11 0-10
0, Fisher 1-8 0-2, Mayo 10-21 1-17, Brand 8-12 1-2
17, Carter 4-6 0-12, Collison 2-5 0-0 5, DaJons 1-6
0-2, James 3-8 0-0 6, Totals 38-93 5-8 92.

<b>DETROIT (77)</b>
27 21 11 18
24 18 25 25
3-Point Goals—Detroit 5-21 (Knight 2-6, Prince 1-2,
Singler 1-3, Stuckey 1-5, Maggiore 0-2, Villanueva 0-3,
Dallas 11-25 (Mayo 6-9, Carter 4-6, Collison 1-2,
Fisher 0-1, DaJons 0-3, Crowder 0-4), Fouled Out—
None. Rebounds—Detroit 57 (Monroe 15), Dallas 61
(Brand 12), Assists—Detroit 16 (Stuckey 6), Dallas 28
(Collison 8), Total Fouls—Detroit 15, Dallas 18

<b>SPURS 99, GRIZZLIES 95, OT</b>
<b>MEMPHIS (95)</b>
Gay 7-18 0-13, Randolph 5-21 7-7, Gasol 10-16 0-0
20, Conley 5-13 6-18, Ellington 13-12 3, Ponderer 1-
6 0-0 3, Bayless 1-8 3-4 5, Arthur 5-8 0-0 10, Speights
1-6 2-2 4, Totals 36-99 19-22 95.

<b>SAN ANTONIO (99)</b>
Neal 4-16 2-2 13, Duncan 11-17 5-5 27, Blair 0-0 1-2 1,
Parker 11-20 5-10 30, Green 0-7 0-0 0, Ginobili 4-15 1-
3 10, Diaw 1-2 0-0 3, Splitter 2-5 1-2 5, Bonner 1-4 0-0
3, De Colo 0-0 0-0 0, Mills 3-3 0-0 7, Anderson 0-0 0-
0 0, Totals 37-89 18-24 99.

<b>Memphis</b>
2224 2714 8- 95
San Antonio
2124 1527 12- 99
3-Point Goals—Memphis 4-15 (Conley 2-3, Ponderer 1-
4, Gay 1-4, Bayless 0-4), San Antonio 7-29 (Neal 3-10,
Mills 1-1, Diaw 1-1, Bonner 1-3, Ginobili 1-7, Parker 0-1,
Green 0-6), Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Memphis
66 (Randolph 15), San Antonio 58 (Duncan 15),
Assists—Memphis 25 (Conley 12), San Antonio 21
(Ginobili, Parker 6), Total Fouls—Memphis 24, San
Antonio 22. A-18,581 (18,797).

<b>BUCKS 91, CELTICS 88</b>
<b>BOSTON (88)</b>
Pierce 6-16 6-8 19, Bass 2-6 0-0 4, Garnett 6-11 5-6 17,
Lee 6-11 0-0 13, Terry 5-17 3-3 15, Collins 0-2 0-0 0,
Sullinger 1-4 0-0 2, Green 8-11 0-0 18, Barbosa 0-4 0-
0 0, Wilcox 0-0 0-0 0, Totals 34-82 14-17 88.

<b>MILWAUKEE (91)</b>
Daniels 4-9 0-0 8, Henson 2-4 1-4 5, Udoh 2-3 1-2 5,
Jennings 5-12 0-0 13, Ellis 6-20 5-5 17, Sanders 7-11 4-
5 18, Ilyasova 5-11 4-4 15, Lamb 1-3 0-0 2, Mbah
a Moute 4-6 0-0 8, Totals 36-79 15-20 91.

<b>Boston</b>
27 21 21 9- 88
Milwaukee
11 36 22 91
3-Point Goals—Boston 11-29 (Green 2-3, Terry 2-9, Lee
1-2, Pierce 1-4, Barbosa 0-1), Milwaukee 4-13
(Jennings 3-5, Ilyasova 1-3, Daniels 0-1, Lamb 0-1, Ellis
0-3), Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Boston 50 (Bass
8), Milwaukee 49 (Sanders 16), Assists—Boston 26
(Terry 11), Milwaukee 24 (Ellis 7), Total Fouls—Boston
19, Milwaukee 13, Technicals—Milwaukee defensive
three second, A-16,581 (18,717).

<b>HEAT 102, NETS 89</b>
<b>BROOKLYN (89)</b>
Wallace 5-11 2-4 13, Humphries 4-8 3-4 11, Blatche 8-
12 4-7 20, Williams 3-11 3-5 10, Johnson 5-14 0-2 12,
Bogans 0-1 0-0 0, Stachouha 5-11 1-1 11, Evans 1-1 0-
0 2, Watson 2-9 1-1 5, Smith 1-5 0-0 2, Roberts 3-5 2-2
8, Anthony 1-1 0-0 2, Pittman 0-0 0-0 0, Jones 0-1 0-0
0 0, Harris 0-0 0-0 0, Totals 40-78 15-19 102.

<b>MIAMI (102)</b>
Lewis 1-4 0-0 2, James 8-15 4-6 21, Bosh 2-7 4-4 8,
Chalmers 3-8 0-0 7, Wade 14-20 5-6 34, Allen 5-7 1-1
13, Haslem 0-2 0-0 0, Miller 1-3 0-0 3, Cole 5-10 1-2 12,
Anthony 1-1 0-0 2, Pittman 0-0 0-0 0, Jones 0-1 0-0
0 0, Harris 0-0 0-0 0, Totals 33-75 17-27 89.

<b>Brooklyn</b>
24 35 19 11- 89
Miami
16 34 32 20- 102
3-Point Goals—Brooklyn 6-28 (Watson 2-4, Johnson 2-
9, Williams 1-4, Wallace 1-6, Bogans 0-1, Stachouha
0-4), Miami 7-20 (Allen 2-3, Cole 1-1, James 1-2, Miller
1-3, Wade 1-3, Chalmers 1-4, Jones 0-1, Lewis 0-3),
Fouled Out—Haslem, Rebounds—Brooklyn 56 (Wallace
9), Miami 38 (James 9), Assists—Brooklyn 20
(Williams 12), Miami 20 (Wade 7), Total Fouls—
Brooklyn 21, Miami 25, Technicals—Bogans, Brooklyn
Coach Johnson, Allen, Miami Coach Spoelstra. A—
19,961 (19,600).

<b>THUNDER 100, HORNETS 79</b>
<b>OKLAHOMA CITY (100)</b>
Durant 7-13 4-4 22, Ibaka 2-7 1-2 5, Perkins 5-6 0-0
10, Westbrook 8-18 0-0 18, Seloloshia 3-5 1-2 8, Martin
6-13 6-7 19, Collison 6-8 0-0 12, Thabeet 1-1 0-1 2,
Maynor 1-5 0-0 3, Jackson 0-0 0-0 0, Liggins 0-1 1-1 3,
Jones 0-2 0-0 0, Totals 40-79 13-17 100.

<b>NEW ORLEANS (79)</b>
Aminu 4-12 0-0 8, Anderson 6-17 6-8 21, Lopez 6-9 0-
0 12, Vasquez 2-8 0-0 5, Mason 4-7 1-1 11, Henry 1-3 2-
4, Rivers 2-9 1-1 5, Smith 1-5 0-0 2, Roberts 3-5 2-2
8, Thomas 1-3 1-2 3, Miller 0-3 0-0 0, Totals 30-81 13-
18 79.

<b>Oklahoma City</b>
28 24 30 16- 100
New Orleans
21 23 22 79
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# End It Like Beckham: English Star Bows Out of MLS a Champion

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**CARSON, Calif.** • David Beckham stood on the podium with his three sons, an oversized Union Jack knotted around his Los Angeles Galaxy jersey. With a practiced lift and a broad smile, he raised the sparkling silver cup over his head to a raucous ovation amid a confetti blizzard.

Now that's a Hollywood ending worthy of a star.

Beckham wrapped up his MLS career as a two-time champion Saturday, with Landon Donovan's tiebreaking goal in the 65th minute propelling the Galaxy to a 3-1 victory over the Houston Dynamo in the MLS Cup.

Omar Gonzalez tied it in the 61st minute with a long header for the Galaxy, who defended their title in a rematch of last season's championship game. For the second straight year, Beckham raised a trophy that stands as evidence of the 37-year-old English midfielder's indelible impact on American soccer during his six seasons in Los Angeles.

"It's been a successful six years here, and now that we've won the second one, it's even more satisfying," Beckham said. "I just hope people have enjoyed me playing here. It's what I always hope for when I step on the field."

With a stirring second-half surge capped by Robbie Keane's goal on another

penalty kick in injury time, Los Angeles won its fourth MLS Cup, tying D.C. United for the league record.

The Galaxy also gave an appropriate farewell to Beckham, who will play elsewhere in the new year before eventually returning to MLS as a team owner. With rumors linking him everywhere from Sydney to Paris, he hasn't disclosed his immediate plans beyond a Christmas vacation back home in England.

Los Angeles will miss Beckham, but the glamorous global icon is going out at an apex for MLS' highest-profile franchise.

"I just hope I've brought a bit of interest to the game in American," Beckham said. "If that's the single thing I've done, then great."

After Calen Carr put Houston ahead in the 44th minute, Beckham and his high-scoring teammates systematically broke down the defense of the Dynamo, who lost the MLS Cup 1-0 to Los Angeles on the same field last year.

Keane played another stellar attacking game for Los Angeles before earning his own penalty kick when Houston's Tally Hall knocked him down in the box, while Gonzalez got the equalizer on a cagey play by MLS' top defender last season.

Moments later, Donovan redeemed himself for missing an open net in the



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Los Angeles Galaxy's David Beckham circles the field with his children after defeating the Houston Dynamo in the MLS Cup Soccer Championship on Saturday in Carson, Calif.

13th minute by burying his penalty kick after a Houston handball in the box. The U.S. national team star, who is also contemplating a departure from soccer, won his record-tying fifth MLS title while scoring his fifth career MLS Cup goal and the record 22nd goal of his postseason career.

"It's a little surreal," Donovan said. "In any sport, to repeat is really hard to do. ... For me personally, this felt more satisfying (than last year). We could enjoy it a little bit more."

## Streak Broken



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Kentucky's Alex Poythress, middle, is wrapped up between Baylor's Isaiah Austin (21) and Rico Gathers (2) during the first half of a college basketball game at Rupp Arena in Lexington, Ky., Saturday. Baylor upset No. 8 Kentucky 64-55 to snap the Wildcats' 54-game home win streak.

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Linda Chaption, right, Jeannie Benson, Linda Jack and Wanda Holt — registered nurses with Alliance Home Health, Hospice and Home Assist — work with patients in their homes. They say it's important to pay attention to patients' needs and adapt to their personalities while they are going through the final stage of life.

# Hospice Helps Families Say FINAL GOODBYE

BY TETONA DUNLAP  
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**HAGERMAN** • Coletta Poynter said her parents were always there for her. So when the time came for her to care for them before they died, she didn't think twice about using hospice services to do so.

On Nov. 21, Poynter sat in the living room of the home she shared with her mother, Betty Lloyd. Poynter's sister, Mary Egbert, sat with her. Egbert had recently arrived from her home in Plains, Mont.

“Hospice isn't about dying, it's about living.”

Tom Mikesell, of Alliance Home Health, Hospice and Home Assist

Soft, rhythmic breathing emanated from a monitor on an end table near the couch.

The other monitor was in Lloyd's bedroom. Poynter rose to check on her mother lying in bed.

“I just try to keep it peaceful,” Poynter said.

She had the curtains in the room open so soft afternoon light could flood in. On the walls

above her mother's bed were family photographs.

Poynter said it was her mother's wish to die in her own home rather than in a hospital room.

In August, Lloyd was hospitalized for what Poynter thought was dehydration, but it turned out she had a urinary tract infection and pneumonia. She never recovered and slipped into a state

of unconsciousness.

“She was really weak and disoriented,” Poynter said. “From day one she wanted to come home.”

Poynter's father, Cleave Lloyd, died at home in April 2011. He also received hospice care.

“Dad said, ‘Just take care of me when I'm old,’” Poynter said. “After Dad passed away (Mom) lost her purpose in life.”

Betty Lloyd, 85, died Nov. 25 surrounded by family.

With hospice care, family members are the primary caregivers, assisted and directed by nurses who come into the home.

When Betty was at the level of unconsciousness right before she died, a nurse visited twice a day.

The family used the services of Alliance Home Health, Hospice and Home Assist in Twin Falls for both Cleave and Betty Lloyd.

According to the National Hospice and Palliative Care Organization, in

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## YOUR NEIGHBOR

# The Twin Falls Teen in Carnegie Hall

BY TETONA DUNLAP  
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## When We Met

I met Samantha Wallace at her home in Twin Falls the day before Thanksgiving. Her mother was in the kitchen preparing tomorrow's dinner, and the song “Have Yourself A Merry Little Christmas” wafted from a speaker in the wall.

Wallace, a junior at Xavier Charter School, was selected as a 2013 member of the American High School Honors Performance Series at Carnegie Hall. She will travel to New York City in February to rehearse and play under the direction of renowned music conductors and alongside high school musicians from across the United States.

Wallace, 16, was invited to apply after she was named an all-state musician on oboe last year.

Wallace said the trip to New York will be her first. In addition to seeing a Broadway play and sightseeing, she plans to visit colleges on the East Coast.

“I'm definitely excited,” Wallace said. “I haven't gotten the music yet, but I probably will soon.”

Wallace has been playing the oboe since the sixth grade. She said she kind of randomly picked the oboe from all the instruments available.

“It was definitely unique,” Wallace said. She said she is the only oboe player in her school.

For the first couple of years she took private lessons — and they paid off.

Wallace went into her room and came back with her oboe case. As she assembled the pieces, she moistened the reed in her mouth.

“The oboe reed is a double reed,” Wallace said.

The oboe resembles a clarinet except for the reed, which is long and slim and goes directly into the



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Twin Falls student Samantha Wallace is an oboe star.

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top of the mouthpiece.

Unlike the clarinet's reed, which can be moistened in the mouth, the oboe's reed needs to soak for five minutes in water. But the day I visited, Wallace held it in her mouth for few minutes before playing.

Wallace then walked over to a switch and turned down the Christmas music. Whether a CD is playing in the background or Wallace is playing in the living room, the Wallace household has always been full of music. She remembers her dad, a classically trained tenor, singing her to sleep when she was a child.

Wallace gathered her breath, and the rich, low tone of the oboe floated through the living room. Then the music picked up pace,

Wallace's fingers flew down the instrument and she paused briefly to inhale.

## How You Know Her

Sometimes Wallace plays second oboe with the Magic Valley Symphony when the usual oboist has to play the English horn. She's also involved in the College of Southern Idaho Symphonic Band and the Magic Valley Youth Symphony, and she plays oboe with the CSI choir.

## What's Next for Her

Wallace is fundraising for her trip to New York City by raffling off an iPad. Reach her at 208-350-1742 for raffle tickets.

A week after she returns from New York she will travel to Portland as a member of the All-Northwest Band, which includes choir and orchestra.

Tell Tetona Dunlap whom she should meet next for her weekly column: 735-3243 or tdunlap@magicvalley.com.



# A Reporter Rolls Into Town

Just so you don't think some madman barged into the Times-News newsroom and began pecking on a computer, I'll offer this as a brief introduction: My name's Paul Dunn, and I'm the newest member of the Times-News features department. I hail from North Carolina via half a dozen other states, but you'll never read or hear me use the term “y'all” unless I've had a few mint juleps before sitting down to write.

I could almost hear Joyce — my British-voiced companion — sigh as we neared Twin Falls. It was Monday morning, Nov. 19.

Joyce, who I'm pretty sure resembles Helen Mirren — and cats Ruthie and Shirley manning the tailgunner position in the Matrix — had accompanied me for nearly 2,500 miles. Over the previous four days, we'd bounced our way like a pogo stick with wheels through North Carolina, the Virginias, Kentucky, Indiana, Iowa, Illinois, Missouri, Nebraska, Wyoming and finally Idaho.

But now Joyce was silent, scratching her noggin, I figured, as she tried to unravel the directional boo-boo I'd made. I couldn't see her, of course, but I could surmise her expression based on that eerie silence. Meanwhile, our 14-foot U-Haul truck idled,



the Toyota on the tow dolly in back patiently waiting.

Finally, Joyce returned: “Turn around when possible, take the first left and then take the motorway on the right,” she commanded.

Fortunately, this was the last time Joyce had to admonish me. The four of us soon cruised into Twin Falls, Joyce finally uttering the words I longed to hear: “You have reached your destination.”

Joyce, as you have probably guessed by now, is my TomTom GPS narrator. The past several weeks, she's been helping me find my way around Twin Falls, and I suspect that won't change anytime soon. But that's OK: Her lilting accent is music to my ears.

At the end of my second day on the road, I found a Motel 6 in Blue Springs, Mo., to spend the night. Motel 6 is one of the rare motel chains that allows pets in the rooms at no extra charge. Ruthie and Shirley, ensconced beneath the passenger seat of the Matrix, must have figured a funky hotel room beat shivering in the car, so they eventually ventured out and I nabbed them.

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## Hospice

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2011 an estimated 1.65 million patients received services from hospice.

Hospice can take place at hospice centers or even in a hospital, but the majority of patients (66.4 percent) received care in their homes in 2011.

Hospice teams work with families to develop a care plan that meets each patient's needs for pain management and symptom control. This team can include the patient's personal physician, hospice physician, nurses, home health aides, social workers, bereavement counselors and clergy or other spiritual counselors.

Nurses showed Poynter how to check her mother's vitals, keep her mouth and lips moist and determine whether pain medication should be administered. Some things they told her to look at that indicate when her mother might be in pain: holding her breath or scowling.

"It's not a 24/7 service, but we are available 24/7; we just aren't in the home 24/7," said Jeannie Benson, a hospice nurse with Alliance since 2002.

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On Nov. 21, Poynter said she would often sit in the room, just talking to

her mother.

"I let her know it's okay, she can go at any time, and she can be peaceful," she said. "This whole process is part of the grieving process. Mom is here with us, but she's not."

Poynter said she appreciated that hospice takes care of the whole family.

"We see how the caregivers are doing as well; it's not just limited to the actual patient," Benson said. "Once the patient passes away we stay with them through the grieving process."

Depending on a family's bereavement care plan this process can mean visits, phone calls, letters, cards or a combination of these.

Benson said education is an important step in hospice. Though all hospice patients have a life expectancy less than six months, she said a misconception is that people can utilize hospice only on their deathbed.

"The comments I hear the most are, 'I wish I called you sooner or known about you sooner,'" Benson said.

Tom Mikesell, Alliance Home Health, Hospice and Home Assist public relations and marketing director, said hospice is about building trust with families.

"Hospice isn't about dying, it's about living," he said.

## Emotional Forum Debates 'Dixie' in UT College Name

**ST. GEORGE, Utah (AP)** • Dixie State College of Utah got its name after Mormon settlers, primarily from the South, tried to turn the warm region into a cotton-growing mecca in the 1800s.

But some people argue the moniker carries negative, Deep South connotations and should be stricken from the name of the campus that features a statue of Confederate soldiers and only recently retired the Rebel as its school mascot.

"The question really is, do you want to be perceived by everybody else on the planet as a defiant school promoting racism, or do you want to be perceived as a respectable school which promotes the high ideals of our society?" said community member Richard Hutchins, who attended a Thursday forum exploring a potential name change.

Hutchins was one of more than 100 people at the emotional meeting in St. George that was organized as the school with about 10,000 students seeks to become a university.

With that status expected in January, the debate over Dixie — and the school's identity — is heating up.

"The name most likely won't change after this because where do you go after you've reached university status?" said Erik Sorenson, president of the mar-

keting company researching the change. "This is who Dixie State is going to be for the next 100 plus years."

Other names under consideration include Zion University, Utah Southwestern University, Red Rock University, and St. George University.

But some people want to keep the name or a variation of it, saying it's part of the region's heritage and doesn't have racial subtext among Utahns who have long known the area as "Utah's Dixie."

"I think we are becoming over-concerned about political correctness and ruining our heritage. I don't think we have to give up one for the other," said Margaret Leigh, a St. George resident.

Former faculty member Connie Corbett Keate pointed out a name change would affect everything from school songs to an iconic "D" emblazoned on a nearby hillside.

The heritage argument isn't swaying opponents of the current name. Some gathered around the campus soldier statue before the forum, holding candles and draping a sheet over its metallic Confederate flag.

"Frankly, I understand the feelings of tradition. However, the success of the university and of the students will be severely hindered by the name Dixie," said Michael Eaton, an adjunct English professor at Dixie State.

# Being Taken In by Your Garden

If you love gardens, as a participant or as a spectator, you might be missing your summer garden when you look out at the frozen remains in your backyard. Perhaps you moved plants in to protect them from frost but had to sacrifice others because some family member selfishly refused to let you turn their bedroom into a greenhouse.

However, the beauty of a garden is not confined to the warm months of the year. Making arrangements, formal and informal, from items found in your garden is a way to appreciate their winter beauty. When a small naked branch is used where it can be looked at closely, it focuses the eye on the exquisite details of na-



**Susan Harris**

All the Dirt

ture — much like a Georgia O'Keefe painting forces the viewer to really look at a single, small flower.

It is becoming increasingly popular to use evergreens, cones and bare branches to decorate outdoor containers for the winter. Use evergreens cut from your trees or purchased, and stick them into the soil of a frost-proof planter. When planting summer containers, several varieties of plants are usually mixed. Follow the same method and mix evergreens of various colors and tex-

tures in your winter compositions. Add interesting branches from red or yellow dogwood, twisted willow, white birch or any tree with exfoliating bark such as Bechtel crabapples. Berries from junipers, holly or pyracantha add color and depth. Consider including lights to increase the visual appeal.

The holidays provide an excuse to bring these same elements inside for decoration. However, when using berries inside keep an eye on young children and inebriated adults, as the berries may not be edible.

Evergreens may begin to dry after a few days, so keep them in cooler areas of the house if possible. Use branches singly or bundled on any flat surface with or

without additional embellishments. Tree or shrub branches can be displayed upright with ornaments as a tabletop holiday tree.

Some people include sagebrush in their efforts to bring nature indoors. A few non-conformists even use large sagebrush as their Christmas tree.

During the summer we drag furniture, people and food outside, so it is only fair to bring some of the outside in for the winter.

*After working for years in commercial greenhouses in Idaho and Utah, Susan Harris of Shoshone is a garden designer and garden coach. Reach her at colormygarden@cablone.net.*

## Dunn

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During the night, they did what loving cats do — jumping on and off the bed, purring in my ears and exploring every nook and cranny of the small room. But the real adventure came the next morning when I made a crucial mistake. Instead of immediately nabbing the girls and shoving them into their cat carriers, I opened the motel room door to start loading other stuff into the truck. That triggered their panic and subsequent scurrying for cover under the twin beds.

As I wrestled with one bed to get them out, they slithered under the other. This went on for a good 15 minutes as I virtually re-

arranged the room to get at them. Finally, as sweat rolled from my forehead and not-so-dainty epithets bounced off the room's walls, they finally surrendered and I was able to get them to the car. The following two mornings I made sure to get them arranged before opening the motels' front doors. I've learned that to get by in life, I have to be smarter than the cats. Sometimes I fall short.

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I've prowled the aisles of Fred Meyer almost every day since I arrived in Twin Falls two weeks ago. You name it, I've needed it — almost. The day after Thanksgiving, I once more found myself in the store, this time seeking an over-the-door clothes rack, a kitchen bowl and a few

other odds and ends.

No sooner had I begun searching for the items, when a box on a front shelf caught my eye and pulled me like a magnet straight to it.

"So, who do you think's going to buy this?" I asked a nearby clerk, pointing to the object in question.

"Why, you are," he answered. "It looks like just the thing you need."

The thing was a 2.5-pound box of Whitman's assorted chocolates about as big as the aforementioned U-Haul truck.

"I dunno," I replied. "It would take me about two nights to get through it if I didn't eat anything else. I'd die afterward, no doubt, but I'd be happy."

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So ... enough about me. From now on I intend to

focus on you — the people of Twin Falls and surrounding communities. I consider ours a symbiotic partnership that I'm sure will yield mutually beneficial results.

But for that to happen, I need your help.

Please contact me with any story ideas you think *Times-News* readers will enjoy. I'm especially interested in newsworthy information about area restaurants and issues concerning religion, area churches and snow sports — an odd combination, I know, but so goes the reporting business.

I may be reached three ways: by phone at 208-735-3380 (office) or 252-558-3396 (cell) and at pdunn@magicvalley.com.

Thanks. I look forward to hearing from you.

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#### The Lives of Magic Valley

Writer Paul Dunn visits a Christmas thrift store that raises money for troubled youth, and Tetona Dunlap introduces you to a restorer of military aircraft.  
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## Anniversaries

### The Bonars

Gary and Lavon Bonar celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary November 24, 2012. While they both grew up in Buhl, they met in Pocatello, in 1961, while Gary was attending Idaho State University and Lavon was staying with her sister, Sharon (William) Rosenbaum. While passing each other on campus, Gary approached Sharon to say "hello" and saw Lavon. It was love at first sight and Gary said, "That is the girl I'm going to marry." A year later he did.

November 24, 1962, while visiting the girls' parents, George and Nola Farmer, Gary and Lavon were married in a double wedding in Woodland Hills, California. Lavon's sister, Carol Jean Farmer married William "Bill" Brodeen in the same ceremony.

Gary and Lavon returned to Buhl to live and raise a family. Together they had three children, Christine (Brad) Crossland, Michelle (Devin) Virta and Stephen (Janet) Bonar. They enjoy seven wonderful grandchildren, Kade, Kasey and Kylie Crossland, Zoe and Eric Virta and Sam and Max Bonar.

Gary and Lavon have been an inspiring example of commitment and love for their children, grandchildren, neighbors and friends. We feel very fortunate to have such wonderful parents. We congratulate them on reaching this epic milestone and wish them many more years together.

"We love you, Gary and Lavon, Dad and Mom, Grandpa and Grandma!"

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In this Nov. 17 photo, Tinker, a miniature horse, rings a red bell for the Salvation Army with his owner Carol Takacs in West Bend, Wis. Takacs says his name was Tinker when she and her husband got him and they couldn't have named him better if they tried.

# Wis. Mini Horse Rings Bell for Salvation Army

BY CARRIE ANTLEFINGER  
Associated Press

WEST BEND, Wis. • Tinker may be miniature — as in a miniature horse — but he's a big money raiser for the Salvation Army.

He uses his mouth to hold and ring a red bell and also picks up with his mouth a "Thank You Merry Christmas" sign. He can also bow and give kisses.

Major Roger Ross, a Salvation Army commander, said Tinker is one of their biggest money raisers in the area: He brings in 10 times the amount of a regular bell ringer.

"A good kettle for a couple of hours brings in about \$250, and for the same time period (Tinker and his owners) have been known to bring in \$2,500," he said. "They line up to put money in the kettle."

The 13-year-old horse, who's brown, black, grey and white, has been ringing for four seasons.

"I actually save up all my donations and give it to Tinker because I have such a soft place in my heart for him," said Karen Hammen, who gave money while Tinker stood outside a West Bend craft show on a recent Saturday morning.

One of Tinker's owners, Carol Takacs, said she and her husband got Tinker 12 years ago. She said she went to look at a property, fell in love with the miniature horses there and asked that one be part of the deal.

"About three or four years ago I was walking out of a store and there was a bell ringer and I gave," she said. "I started thinking 'I wonder if I can, if I can help make this even more interesting.' So I went home and I started

working with Tinker."

His name was Tinker when they got him, Takacs said.

"As fate would have it, I could not have named him more appropriately if I had tried," she said.

Before appearances, she spends a half-hour vacuuming his mane and fur and puts glitter on his hooves, a bell on his backside and a Santa hat on his head. And — of course — Tinker wears the Salvation Army apron.

She also made pins with his face on it — a gift for every \$5 donation.

While most people are wooed by Tinker and his decorations, she said some don't believe he actually holds and rings the bell.

"We don't do that with Velcro or glue. There's nothing on his bell. He knows that this is his job and he does it very well," she said.

# Wall Section Collapses in Pompeii after Heavy Rain

MILAN (AP) • The Italian news agency ANSA says a wall at the Pompeii archaeological site has collapsed following days of heavy rain.

The collapse Friday of a six-foot section of wall in an

area closed to tourists is the latest in a series that has raised concern about the state of the cultural treasure.

In 2010, a 2,000-year-old house collapsed in the ancient Roman city that was

once used by gladiators to train before combat.

The Italian government and the European Commission last spring announced a project to spend \$136 million to secure the Pompeii site.

# Ind. Man Removing Romney-Ryan Tattoo

MICHIGAN CITY, Ind. (AP) • A northern Indiana man who had the Mitt Romney-Paul Ryan campaign logo tattooed onto his face "to make politics fun" says it's time for it to come off.

Eric Hartsburg of Michigan City, Ind., says he plans to have the red-and-blue "R" removed from its prominent place next to his right eye.

He says a Republican supporter paid him \$15,000 to get the tattoo and keep it until at least the election was over.

Weeks after President Barack Obama defeated the former Massachusetts governor in the Nov. 6 election, Hartsburg says "now to me it represents not a losing



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Eric Hartsburg, 30, poses for a photo showing his Romney-Ryan election logo tattoo Friday in Michigan City, Ind.

campaign, but a sore losing campaign."

Hartsburg says he reached out to the Romney campaign about the tattoo, but feels snubbed that no campaign staffer ever contacted him.

# Historic Boston Church Considers Sale of Hymnal

BY JAY LINDSAY  
Associated Press

BOSTON • The first book printed in what would become the United States was a Puritan hymnal of Psalms, sturdy enough that 11 copies that came off a wooden Cambridge press in 1640 still exist.

Now, a copy of the Bay Psalm Book may bring millions of dollars to the Boston church that owns it — if a divided congregation agrees in a vote Sunday to sell it.

The book, combined with a Colonial-era silver collection it may also sell, could bring tens of millions of dollars to the Old South Church. Leaders say the money is badly needed to restore the historic building

and keep vital ministries going.

"What we're talking about is taking objects our forebears have given us that were used for mission and ministry, to repurpose in continuing mission and ministries," said Old South Senior minister Rev. Nancy Taylor.

But church historian Jeff Makhholm said the artifacts are more than things — they're links to Old South's predecessors that can't be severed without damaging the spiritual mission they established.

"We use these things to sermonize and to inspire and to project our faith into the world," Makhholm said.

The translations of the Biblical Psalms for Puritans in the Massachusetts Bay Colony aren't considered el-

egant, but the linen and cotton rag paper they were printed on made 11 Bay Psalm Books strong enough to survive for nearly 400 years.

David Redden, vice chairman of Sotheby's, which evaluated the book and silver collection for the church, said the book could bring a staggering \$20 million to \$25 million.

"It's the most famous unknown book in the world," Redden said.

Redden said the book is rare, and rarely hits the market, but its greatest value is symbolic. Books and printing are marks of civilization, "so the ability to create a book in the New World, was in a sense symbolic of our ability to create a new world here," he said.



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## Munch, Kirchner Artwork Return to Jewish Collector's Heirs

BY CATHERINE HICKLEY  
Bloomberg News

**BERLIN** • A Berlin museum will return three graphics by Edvard Munch and one by Ernst Ludwig Kirchner to the heirs of a collector who escaped Nazi persecution by fleeing to the U.S., according to museum officials and the heirs' lawyers.

Curt Glaser was director of Berlin's Art Library and an art critic who counted Munch among his friends. Persecuted for his Jewish origins by the Nazis, he was suspended from his job and evicted from his apartment in April 1933. He auctioned most of his collection in May and left Germany in July that year.

Berlin's Kupferstichkabinett acquired six Munch drawings in Glaser's auction. Another five graphic works by Kirchner were donated to the museum shortly after the auction, of which three are still in the Kupferstichkabinett's collection. Five works will stay in the Berlin museum with the heirs' approval, said David Rowland of Rowland & Petroff in New York, their lawyer.

"The heirs are extremely pleased that they were able to reach a fair and just solution," Rowland said by telephone. The agreement to leave some works in the Kupferstichkabinett "acknowledges the importance of Glaser's work in Berlin."

Munch is one of the most valuable artists at auction. One of four versions of his masterpiece "The Scream," a pastel on board, sold for \$119.9 million at Sotheby's in New York in May. Glaser's collection comprised more than 100 graphics by Munch plus works by other modernist figures including Kirchner, Max Beckmann and Oskar Kokoschka, Old Masters paintings and Japanese graphics.

"As a friend and patron of the famous Norwegian painter Edvard Munch, Glaser laid the foundation-stone for one of the biggest and most significant collections of Munch's graphics in the Kupferstichkabinett," the Prussian Cultural Heritage Foundation, the organization that oversees Berlin's museums, said in a statement.

The three Munch works that will be returned to the Glaser heirs under this agreement are a mezzotint called "Young Girl by the Sea," a woodcut titled "Prayer of an Old Man" and an etching, "Death and the Woman," according to the statement. The Kirchner work is the woodcut "Peasants Chatting."

Glaser was a leading figure in the Berlin art world of the Weimar Republic. A qualified doctor, he converted to Protestantism in 1914. His home was a meeting place for artists and intellectuals. When he fled the country with his second wife in 1933, he traveled first to Switzerland, and from there to Italy and Cuba before reaching the U.S., where he died in 1943. His heirs are the relatives of his wife, Marie Milch.



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*This 2007 file photo provided by South Dakota Magazine shows Reynolds Prairie in the Black Hills of South Dakota.*

## Tribes Raise \$9M for Sacred S.D. Land

BY KRISTI EATON  
Associated Press

**SIoux FALLS, S.D.** • After months of high-profile fundraising that drew celebrities' attention and dollars, a group of Native American tribes has raised \$9 million to buy a piece of land in South Dakota's Black Hills that they consider sacred, an official with an Indian land foundation said Friday.

The Indian Land Tenure Foundation president Cris Stainbrook told The Associated Press that the tribes raised enough money to purchase the land from its current owners. The foundation was one of several groups and organizations leading the effort to buy the land.

The deal was finalized Friday, which was the deadline for the tribes to raise the money.

The land, known as Pe' Sla, went up for sale after being privately owned. Members of the Great Sioux Nation have been allowed to gather there every year to perform rituals. The site plays a key role in the tribes' creation story, and members fear new owners would develop it.

Tribal leaders from three Sioux tribes — Rosebud Sioux President Cyril Scott, Shakopee Mdewakanton Sioux Chairman Charlie Vig and Crow Creek Chairman Brandon Sazue — released a joint statement Friday, saying they are happy to be able to reclaim one of their sacred sites.

Those three tribes were the only ones to contribute



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*This combination of undated file photos shows Ezra Miller, left, who stars in the recently released film 'The Perks of Being a Wallflower,' and hip hop producer Sol Guy, right. The two are appearing in a documentary-style film with Last Real Indians founder Chase Iron Eyes to try to raise \$9 million by the end of November to buy back a piece of land in South Dakota that Native American tribes consider sacred.*

to the purchase, Scott said. Tribal leaders would not say how much each tribe contributed to the purchase.

The three leaders said they exercised their tribal sovereign authority.

"It's a great day for Indian Country," Scott said in a phone interview with The Associated Press. Scott also said that all Sioux tribal members are invited to the land and that tribal leaders plan to form a commission to preserve the land.

More than \$900,000 was raised through online contributions, said Standing Rock Sioux tribal member Chase Iron Eyes. His company, Last Real Indians, led the online effort.

Earlier this year, landowners Leonard and Margaret Reynolds canceled a public auction of the property after

tribal members expressed outrage. The Reynolds' then accepted the tribes' bid to purchase the land for \$9 million.

The couple has repeatedly said they will not speak publicly about the land sale and did not return a message from The AP on Friday seeking comment.

The fundraising effort drew support from several celebrities. P. Diddy tweeted about it as did Bette Midler, who also donated. Midler said she was "happy and proud" to have helped out with the purchase.

"I've been talking about it to my friends, tweeting to the world and donating through my foundation because I think it's important for the soul of our nation," she said in a statement Friday.

Actor Ezra Miller, who appeared in the recently released film "The Perks of Being a Wallflower," and music producer Sol Guy flew to South Dakota last month to film a nine-minute documentary-style video about the land that was used as part of an online campaign to raise funds.

The fundraising effort has been a monumental and controversial undertaking for the Sioux tribes. An 1868 treaty set aside the Black Hills and other land for the Sioux, but Congress passed a law in 1877 seizing the land following the discovery of gold in western South Dakota.

A 1980 U.S. Supreme Court ruling awarded more than \$100 million to the Sioux tribes for the Black Hills, but the tribes have refused to accept the money, saying the land has never been for sale. There are Sioux tribes in the Dakotas, Minnesota, Montana, Nebraska and Canada.

Some members of the Sioux tribes didn't agree with trying to purchase the land. Bryan Brewer, president-elect of the Oglala Sioux Tribe, said his tribe did not allocate any money to the land purchase.

"I'm still against buying something we own, but I'm thrilled the tribes' are buying it. I'm very happy about it," he said.

## Apartment Where Oswald Lived Being Demolished

BY JAMIE STENGLE  
Associated Press

**DALLAS** • A dilapidated Dallas apartment complex where Lee Harvey Oswald briefly lived before the assassination of President John F. Kennedy is being demolished.

After a four-year battle over code violations at the uninhabited 10-unit, two-story apartment complex built in 1925, owner Jane Bryant is in the process of taking the building down per a court order. She's been salvaging building materials and selling off items from Oswald's three-room apartment. The toilet already has a new owner.

Bryant was never able to realize her plans to renovate the building in the Oak Cliff area of Dallas after buying it in 2007, and the next year got caught up in litigation with the city over the state of the building at 600 Elsbeth St.

"We're not just losing a piece of fundamental history to Dallas related to the assassination, we're also losing a piece of fundamental architecture to this area," said Bryant, who concedes that at this point she has no choice but to tear the building down, adding, "There comes a time when you just have to cut your losses."

The apartment, where Oswald lived from November 1962 to March 1963 with his wife, Marina, and young daughter, is mentioned in the Warren Commission report, which investigated the president's death. The report concluded that Oswald acted alone on Nov. 22, 1963, when he fired at Kennedy's motorcade from the sixth floor of the Texas School Book Depository as it passed by Dealey Plaza.

Oswald then killed Dallas police officer J.D. Tippit 45 minutes after Kennedy was shot, according to the report.

Oswald was arrested in the hours after the assassination, but was killed two days later by nightclub owner Jack Ruby.

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## Stevie Wonder Cancels Concert for Israeli Group

**WASHINGTON (AP)** • Stevie Wonder is calling off a concert for a group that raises money for the Israeli military.

Wonder had been scheduled to perform Dec. 6 for Friends of the Israel Defense Forces, which raises money for Israeli soldiers and their families.

Wonder said the United Nations recommended canceling his performance because he is an official "Mes-

senger of Peace" for the organization. The United Nations overwhelmingly voted to recognize a Palestinian state on Thursday over vehement U.S. and Israeli objections as hopes for Mideast peace talks stalled.

Wonder said in a statement he was canceling with a heavy heart but that "I am and have always been against war, any war, anywhere."

Several petitions had called on Wonder to cancel the performance.

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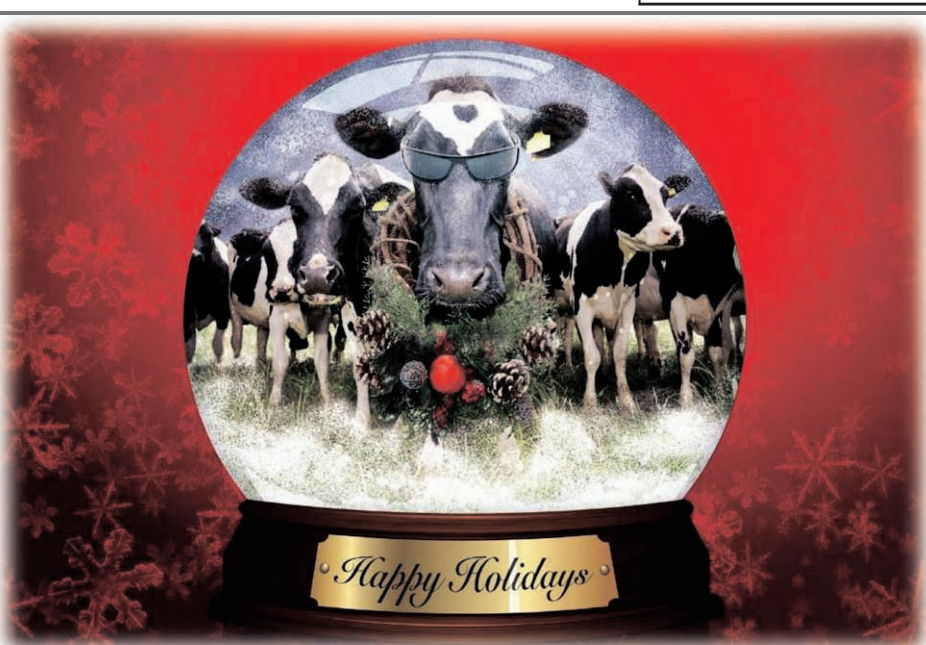
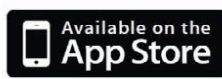
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| #17: Counseling & Social Services     | #54: Pharmacy                              |
| #55: Dental                           | #46: Printing                              |
| #45: Drivers/Transportation           | #34: Protective Services                   |
| #18: Education                        | #35: Quality Control                       |
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| #20: Environmental                    | #36: Research & Development                |
| #24: Factory & Warehouse              | #37: Restaurant                            |
| #57: Health Care Assistants           | #38: Retail                                |
| #44: Hotel & Hospitality              | #39: Sales                                 |
| #23: Human Resources                  | #51: Skilled Trades: Building General      |
| #21: Insurance/Financial Services     | #47: Skilled Trades: Construction          |
| #25: Janitorial & Grounds Maintenance | #40: Skilled Trades: Building Professional |
| #26: Legal                            | #41: Skilled Trades: Manufacturing         |
| #27: Management                       | #50: Specialty Services                    |
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**Production Lead Supervisor  
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Packaging Supervisor  
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Application Programming Specialist**

**Safety Coordinator  
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# SUDOKU

Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Conceptis Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

## Conceptis Sudoku

By Dave Green

			6		4			
		2				7		
	7		3		5		1	
2		1				4		9
				8				
9		5				8		7
	3		5		1		8	
		4				1		
			2		6			

Difficulty Level ★★★★★

12/02

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### Answer to previous puzzle

7	8	2	3	5	9	4	1	6
3	1	9	2	4	6	8	7	5
4	6	5	7	1	8	2	9	3
1	2	3	9	7	4	5	6	8
6	7	8	5	3	2	1	4	9
9	5	4	8	6	1	3	2	7
2	3	7	4	9	5	6	8	1
5	4	1	6	8	7	9	3	2
8	9	6	1	2	3	7	5	4

Difficulty Level ★★★★★ 12/01

## 204 Drivers

**DRIVERS**  
OTR Class A CDL Driver needed, with or without exp. 490-0205

## 205 Education

**EDUCATION**  
Head Start Jackpot has a position opened for a Preschool Teacher, 9 months per year, up to 36 hours per week. AA or CDA preferred. Pick up application's at head start or call 775-738-5953 ext. 221

## 206 Farm

**CLASSIFIEDS**  
It pays to read the fine print! Call the Times-News to place your ad 1-800-658-3883 ext. 2

## 207 General

**GENERAL**  
Project Mutual Telephone, Rupert Idaho, is looking to fill the following positions:

**Two part-time custodians**, one of which will work 12 pm to 4 pm and the other 5pm to 9 pm. Must have prior cleaning experience and the ability to organize and maintain janitorial supplies.

We are also looking for a **General Maintenance/Grounds keeper**, Hours will be 8am - 5 pm Monday -Friday. Must be able to lift 50 lbs or more and have prior landscaping, chemical usage and basic maintenance trouble shooting skills. Must be able to operate fork lift and other small power tools.

All jobs require a Background check, a valid driver's license and will be required to travel to off site locations such as Burley, Twin Falls and Jerome. Must be 21 or older with a HS diploma.

For a complete job descriptions contact George Gallegos at 208-430-1288. Project Mutual Telephone is an equal opportunity employer



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Schwan's Home Service is looking for **High Energy Individuals** with good work ethics.

- \$575 per week to start.
- Full benefit pkg.
- No experience necessary.
- Must have a valid Driver's License with a good MVR.
- Must be at least 21 yrs. old.

**Call Mike at 208-308-2851 for an interview. EOE**

## 208 Hospitality

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**RESTAURANT**  
Server needed. Must be able to work lunch shift. Apply at 428 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave E, Twin Falls

## 211 Medical



**Family Health Services** is seeking qualified candidates to fill the following positions in our **Dental Clinics:**

**Dental Assistant (Twin Falls, ID)** This full time position provides clinical and staff support to a full-range dental services operation. Candidates must have completed a Dental Assistant program from an accredited institution and be certified in all areas of Expanded Functions. Bi-lingual candidates encouraged to apply.

**Dental Assistant (Fairfield, ID)** This part time position provides clinical and staff support to a full-range dental services operation. Candidates must have completed a Dental Assistant program from an accredited institution and be certified in all areas of Expanded Functions. One day per week, Thursdays. Bi-lingual candidates encouraged to apply.

**Family Health Services** offers competitive wages. A full range of benefits is available to full time employees, including health insurance, short and long-term disability, life insurance, PTO, holiday pay and 401(k) retirement.

Applications will be accepted through Friday, December 7th

Apply online at [www.fhsid.org](http://www.fhsid.org) or email cover letter & resume to: [seguiilor@fhsid.com](mailto:seguiilor@fhsid.com)

**HR Department**  
794 Eastland Drive  
Twin Falls, ID 83301

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## 211 Medical

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- Pharmacy - #54

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**St Luke's Magic Valley**

# NOW HIRING

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### ST. LUKE'S JEROME

- Office Lead/Receptionist
- Registered Nurse Surgical

### ST. LUKE'S MAGIC VALLEY – Open Positions

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- Speech Pathologist
- Physical Therapist
- Coder RHIT/RHIA or CCS
- Pharmacy Tech
- Housekeeper
- CMA/LPN Ortho & podiatry

### Highlighted Management Position Openings

- Foundation Director
- Manager-Inpatient Rehab Unit BSN required
- Patient Access Manager

**We offer competitive salaries & an excellent benefits package. St. Luke's is an Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity Employer, and we are committed to hiring a diverse and talented workforce. EOE/AA/M/F/ Disabled/Vet/Tobacco Free Campus.**

## 211 Medical

**MEDICAL**  
**CNA Scheduler/Team Leader**  
Hospice Visions, Inc. is currently looking for an individual to join our fast growing team. Candidate needs to be a licensed CNA in the state of Idaho, very organized, detail orientated, able to multi-task, work well in a fast paced environment, computer literate. Position is M-F, 8-5, with some CNA duties as needed. Wages are DOE.

**Applications at: 1770 Park View Drive, Twin Falls, ID or submit resume to: HV@hospicevisions.org EOE**

**MEDICAL**  
**Dental front office** person needed. Must be good with insurance and billing. Exp req, 4 days a week, profit sharing & retirement. **Wendell - call 208-536-5441.**

**MEDICAL**  
**Exciting Opportunity** to work with Disabled Adults. Bonus and benefit system in place. Driver license required. **208-734-4344 ext 104**

**MEDICAL**  
Looking for **Caregivers** and part-time **Housekeeper**. Must be flexible and work any shift. **Please apply in person at 1177 Eastridge Court, Twin Falls**

## 213 Operations

**OPERATIONS**  
**MACHINISTS - CNC**  
Growing facility working in precious metals industry has immediate need for an experienced **CNC Machinist** (2 years' experience preferred).  
•Excellent pay  
•Health/dental/vision insurance  
•401K w/company contribution  
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Twin Falls, TFM. .... 735-3346  
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Burley, Rupert, Paul, Hailey, Kimberly, Shoshone  
..... 678-2201 or 735-3302

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## 215 Professional



**Library Technician** position requires degree in library/info science or related  
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## 216 Sales

**SALES**  
**AUTOMOBILE SALES CAREER OPPORTUNITY**  
If you have experience... that's great! If not, but you're a self-motivated and sales oriented individual, we would like to talk to you.  
♦We offer reasonable hours with a 5 day work week.  
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♦You'll be selling the #1 new car line - Toyota along with the sharpest used cars in town.  
**Apply in person to Randy Berry at the new car showroom Wills Toyota 318 Shoshone St W, Twin Falls**

## 217 Skilled

**PLUMBER**  
Service Plumber Needed. Send resume to [breis@filertel.com](mailto:breis@filertel.com) or call 208-326-4126.

**SKILLED**  
**DIESEL PARTS TECHNICIAN**  
Local trucking company is looking for a qualified individual to fill the position of **Diesel Parts Technician**. Qualified applicants must have a good working knowledge of diesel parts and warranty information. Must have excellent communication skills and positive work history. We offer strong benefits & competitive wages.  
**Submit resume to: Box 96995 %The Times News, PO Box 548, Twin Falls, ID. 83303**

## READ THE CLASSIFIEDS EVERY DAY

### FINANCIAL

**Business Opportunities and Commercial Properties**

- ★ **Woody's Bar and Night Club**, \$145K business only, real estate also available
- ★ **Y-Stop General Store** in Prairie, Idaho. Reduced price of \$325K includes real estate
- ★ **Upgraded Five-Bay Car Wash**, major renovations in 2011, Idaho Falls \$335K

**Arthur Berry & Co.**  
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**IF DECEMBER 2 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY:** Your views and outlook on life may undergo an important change in the year ahead. What you once treasured may assume less significance as you search for greener pastures and break free of restraints. Right now you are in a planning stage, brimming with ideas and help from reliable sources. Plan ahead and launch the most important projects during April or May – especially those that depend upon public approval. Your personal appeal will be at its height and potential employers or romantic hookups will look favorably upon you. Your prospects for a committed relationship will improve greatly in August and September, although you may wish to maintain some degree of independence.



**Jeraldine Saunders**

**ARIES (March 21-April 19):** Think for yourself. Don't change your way of doing things just because other people insist on having their way. An independent spirit but a willingness to compromise leads to success in the week ahead.

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20):** Cooperation overcomes roadblocks. People will be pleased by your open and fair manner if you let it shine through in the upcoming week. What is good for one person should benefit everyone involved.

**GEMINI (May 21-June 20):** A restless need for a change of pace is in the air this week. You may feel like clowning around or may be forced to deal with apologies. Someone could misunderstand a message.

**CANCER (June 21-July 22):** Consider the future in the week ahead. Your favorite sidekicks could have imaginative ideas and paint a pretty picture of what might be, but you are wise to reserve a final opinion until you see concrete results.

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22):** Hold all bets. You might shoot an arrow into the air and have no idea where it will land. A gamble on positive end results could turn out for the best in the week ahead, but only if you are very practical.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22):** Fly by the seat of your pants. Have faith that you can handle circumstances that threaten your security. You can tap into universal wisdom this week and it will help you instinctively follow the right path.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22):** You may be gung-ho about something for all the wrong reasons – but with all the right results this week. Since confidence levels are high, certain key people will seem excited about your ideas and plans.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21):** The foresight to create things that improve your future while in the midst of change leads to success. Enjoy the company of people who offer a whimsical twist and lighten your load this week.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21):** Do a favor for a new friend. You might not be repaid exactly the way you imagine, but something good will emerge from acts of generosity this week. Get the job done by acting on inspiration.

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19):** Pick up where you left off. Small interruptions might sidetrack you this week, but it is easy to get back on target quickly. You must fully visualize your financial future before you act on new ideas.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18):** Believe in beneficial changes. There is a kernel of goodness in any event, no matter how worrisome, that you can put to your advantage this week. Get what you want with the least amount of effort.

**PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20):** Your exuberance may be touched off by an accidental meeting or a new contact. You can tackle just about anything this week. Don't forget that a lack of organization may scatter energies too widely.



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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

101  
Lost and Found

**FOUND** two horse blankets in the Rupert area. Call 208-678-5408

**FOUND** white & brown pup w/beautiful blue eyes. Great w/kids. Can email pictures. 208-539-6913

**LOST** Black camera bag at Lake Walcott on 11/23...reward! Please call 208-670-4127

**LOST** female Brown Lab on Nov. 18<sup>th</sup> near Wendell at 2100 E on Bob Barton Rd. 5 yrs old. Reward! 208-539-2132

**LOST** Ipad, brand new, on the corner of Pheasant and Aztec. Fell out of car. 208-733-0447

**LOST** Red Heeler between Rupert & Paul. 3 mos old, mostly white with red ears, blue collar. 208-431-1481

108  
Professional Services

**idahosanta.com**



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## REAL ESTATE

501  
Open House

**PUBLIC SERVICE MESSAGE**  
Selling Property?  
Don't pay any fees until it's sold.  
For free information about avoiding time share and real estate scams, write to:  
Federal Trade Commission,  
Washington, D.C. 20580 or call the National Fraud Information Center, 1-800-876-7060.

107  
Pregnancy Alternatives

Pregnant? Worried?  
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208-734-7472

108  
Professional Services

**Bankruptcy & Debt Counseling**  
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# Classified Deadlines

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**the day before.**

**For Sun. & Mon.**

**2 p.m. Friday.**

**NOTICE OF INTENT TO AMEND THE BUDGET**

The Board of Minidoka County Commissioners, pursuant to Idaho Code Section 31-1605, finds just cause and need to amend the County's FY2013 Budget to reflect the expenditure of unappropriated reserves to cover unanticipated salary and benefit expenses.. There were no increases in property tax revenue for this change.

The budget amendment will be reflected in the following department budgets:

		Currently	Amended
Juvenile Probation	Salaries	\$397,962	\$402,962
	Other Expenses	331,420	332,368
	TOTAL	729,382	735,330
Sheriff	Other Expenses	\$ 492,790	\$507,790
	Capital-Vehicles	70,000	55,000
	TOTAL	562,790	562,790

This matter will be included in the Minidoka County Commissioners' Agenda for their Regular Meeting scheduled on December 3, 2012.

**PUBLISH:** November 25 and December 2, 2012

## PUBLIC NOTICE

Actions planned and taken by your government are contained in public notices. They are part of your right to know and to be informed of what your government is doing. As self-government charges all citizens to be informed, this newspaper urges every citizen to read and study these notices. We advise those citizens who seek further information to exercise their right to access public records and public meetings.

## IMPORTANT

Please address all legal advertising to:

## LEGAL ADVERTISING

The Times-News

PO Box 548

Twin Falls, Idaho

83303-0548

email to

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Deadline for legal ads: 3 days prior to publication, noon on Wednesday for Sunday, noon on Thursday for Monday, noon on Friday for Tuesday and Wednesday, noon on Monday for Thursday and noon on Tuesday for Friday and Saturday. Holiday deadlines may vary. If you have any questions call Ruby, legal clerk, at 208-735-3324.

## New Today

## RENTAL PROPERTIES

603

### Furnished Apt/Duplex

**TWIN FALLS** 2 bdrm near CSI, all utils & furn incl. HBO & Showtime. No smoking/pets. \$500 mo + \$250 dep. Call 208-734-0414 eves.

604

### Unfurnished Apt/Duplex

**GOODING** 1 bdrm, 1 bath, no smoking or pets, \$400 mo. + 400 dep. 208-308-6804

**GOODING** 3 bdrm, 2 bath, no smoking or pets, \$675 mo + 500 dep plus utils. 208-308-6804

## AGRICULTURE

704

### Pets and Pet Supplies

**PEKINGESE** female puppy, 4 mos, 2<sup>nd</sup> shots, friendly, romps w/cats. Parents reddish, 10-11 lbs. No papers. 208-539-2769 / 539-2786

## MISCELLANEOUS

830

### Estate Sales

**"SMITH ESTATE SALE"**  
December 6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup> (9am-6pm)  
December 8<sup>th</sup> (9am-2pm)  
1206 D Street - Rupert, ID  
1941 Ford Tractor 9 N, Scooter, Honda Trail 90, Suzuki 4-Wheeler Manure Spreader, Refrigerator, Gas Range, Microwave, Freezer, Stainless Steel Electric Stove, Stereo, Washer/Dryer, Lamps, Sewing Machine, Sofa, TV's, Table & Chairs, Office Chair, All Kitchen Items, File Cabinet, Linens, Book Shelf, Frames, Bedroom Set, Twin Size Bed, Dresser/Mirror, School Desk, Vintage Dolls, Art Supplies, Antique Sewing Machine, Painting's by Jean Smith, Wheelbarrow, Grain Hauler, Milk Strainers, Chicken Feeders, Riding Lawn Mower, License Plates, Potato Baskets, Barn Wood, Hand Tools, Vise, Sander, Grinder, Vintage Clothes Still Unpacking!! - Come See!!  
**Saturday, Dec. 8<sup>th</sup> HALF PRICE!**  
**Managed by Blue Cow 312-4900**

## PEOPLE FOR PETS

420 Victory Ave. - PO Box 1163

Twin Falls, Idaho 208-736-2299



## Found:

Pyreneese white male found 3778E 3800N

Lab cross black female found Victory Road

Lab Blue Heeler cross blue merle female found

Shoshone Falls

German Shorthair liver and white male found Madrona

Aussie Golden Retriever cross gold big pup male found

Shoshone St

Basset Hound tri-color neutered male found 3400E

almost to Kimberly

## Adoption:

Cocker Spaniel cross white tan female

Aussie white with gray merle female

Heeler cross white with tan spots

Deer Leg Chihuahua red male name Chester

Pom Chihuahua cross brindle/white male name Horsey

Chihuahua Beagle cross white w/light tan patches male

Pit cross brindle and white female

Pug cross brown and white male

Min Pin Terrier cross black and brindle neutered male

Lab cross yellow male

Lab cross black with white on chest pup male

Heeler cross black w/freckles on legs face toes female

Lab Hound black with white female

Chihuahua cross red male

Plott Hound cross black and brindle momma dog

4 Lab Plott Hound pups black males

Pit Lab cross neutered male black name Louie

Lab Pit black with white on chest

Chihuahua red with white on chest and head male

Heeler Collie cross white and red blue eyes female

Chihuahua Aussie cross black w/dapple female name

Stella

Corgi Lab cross black male

Pit dark chocolate male name Scooby

Chihuahua Min Pin chocolate/tan female momma dog

Lab black female

Lab black male

Lab cross black male

Border Collie black and white female name Spook

Pit cross black/white spayed female name Clementine

## Closed Sunday and Holidays

We can only keep animals 48 hours, they are then sold or DESTROYED. **Please check daily.**

## THE ACES ON BRIDGE®

Bobby Wolff

## Dear Mr. Wolff:

I was in third seat with ♠ 9, ♥ 4-3, ♦ 8-5-4, ♣ A-Q-J-9-7-4-2. My partner dealt and opened one diamond, and my RHO pre-empted to two spades. I judged three clubs to be an overbid, so I passed, and my partner reopened with a double, letting me bid three clubs. What should I do when my LHO bids three spades and partner doubles again?

Double, double, Riverside, Calif.

**ANSWER:** A double of three spades does not become a penalty double after you made a takeout double one round previously — even if you want it to. (Just because you SAY it does — like Humpty Dumpty — is not enough.) The second double suggests extras, short in spades, with no clear call. So with your example hand, I'd bid five clubs now — the call I might have made the round before.

## Dear Mr. Wolff:

I read your column in the San Jose Mercury-News, where you had a letter describing a hand with 7-6 in the majors. That took me back 40 years or so, when I picked up my 13 cards and saw a true Yarborough — with six spades, seven clubs, and not even a 10. My partner had opened two spades, strong. Was there a sensible way to bid this? We ended in six spades down one when the spade king was guarded offside.

Pointless Pete, Willoughby, Ohio

**ANSWER:** I'm guessing I'd have bid two no-trump to start with, to see what happened next. Having said that, finding a forcing continuation would not be easy! Equally, though, while raising spades might work better, you will surely have to guess what to do. My guess would be to bid slam as you did.

## Dear Mr. Wolff:

My partner and I have been discussing switching to pre-emptive jump raises of opening bids. But we are not sure of the merits of using jump raises of minors as weak as opposed to shapely hands. Where do you stand on this?

Weak-Ender, Grand Junction, Colo.

**ANSWER:** The older I get, the more I like to know that partner has values when he boosts me a couple of levels in the auction. How about this for a compromise? After a minor-suit opening bid, play jump raises of the minor

both in and out of competition as prepared to play three no-trump facing a hand with extras, balanced, with the same approximate strength for major-suit jumps. But nonvulnerable, play the jumps as pre-emptive rather than mildly constructive.

## Dear Mr. Wolff:

I've seen reference to the Law of Vacant Spaces when deciding whether to finesse or play for the drop. While my partner has often referred to vacant spaces between my ears, I suspect that the law deals with something else. Would you explain, please?

Open Wide, Pottsville, Pa.

**ANSWER:** When missing four cards, the odds fractionally favor the drop over the finesse. When the first defender has shown two trumps and the second so far only one, there are 12 empty spaces left in one hand and 11 in the other...so the missing card rates to be with the 12 not the 11. That said, as soon as the bidding or play indicates that second defender is known to have even one more card in a side-suit than his partner, the odds go back to 50-50. So a two-card disparity would move you to taking the finesse.

## Dear Mr. Wolff:

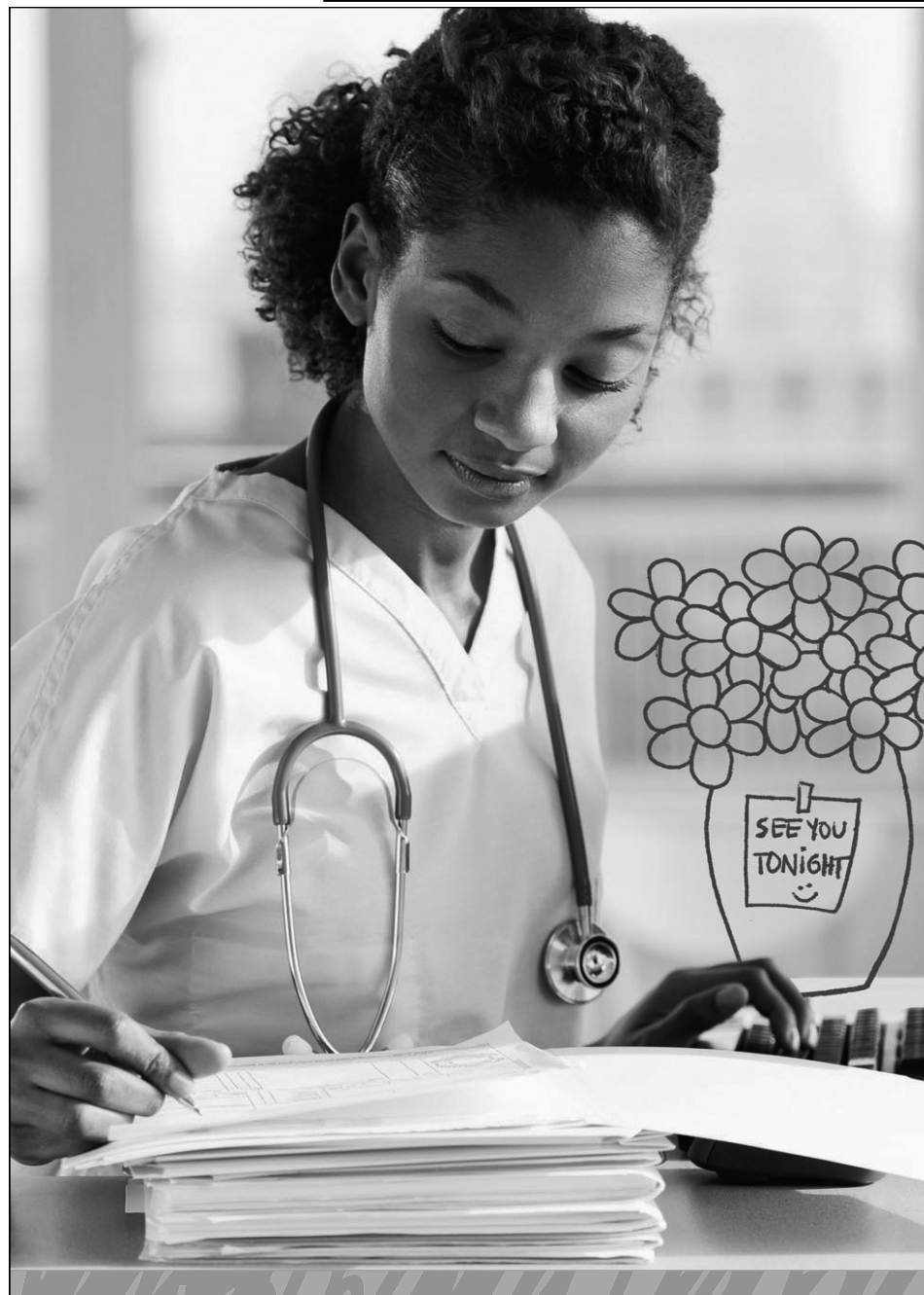
Partner opens one spade and RHO passes. Your collection is ♠ J-7-5-3, ♥ ---, ♦ 8-5-4, ♣ K-Q-10-9-4-2. Does the trick-taking potential of the six-card club suit and the heart void make this hand strong enough for anything other than an immediate jump to four spades to play? That is to say, is the club suit worth showing? A very strong player at our club thought that even a jump to four spades was an overbid.

Tall Order, New Smyrna Beach, Fla.

**ANSWER:** When deciding whether to bid two-over-one or make a pre-emptive raise, I'd suggest your two-level calls start with an absolute minimum of a stretched opening bid. So change the club two into the ace and two clubs would be fine. Playing standard methods, the jump to four spades at once seems clear. You have too much offense for a pre-emptive raise, and too much fear of the opponents' making something to hang around.

For details of Bobby Wolff's autobiography, "The Lone Wolff," contact kay19072@aol.com. If you would like to contact Bobby Wolff, email him at bobbywolff@mindspring.com.

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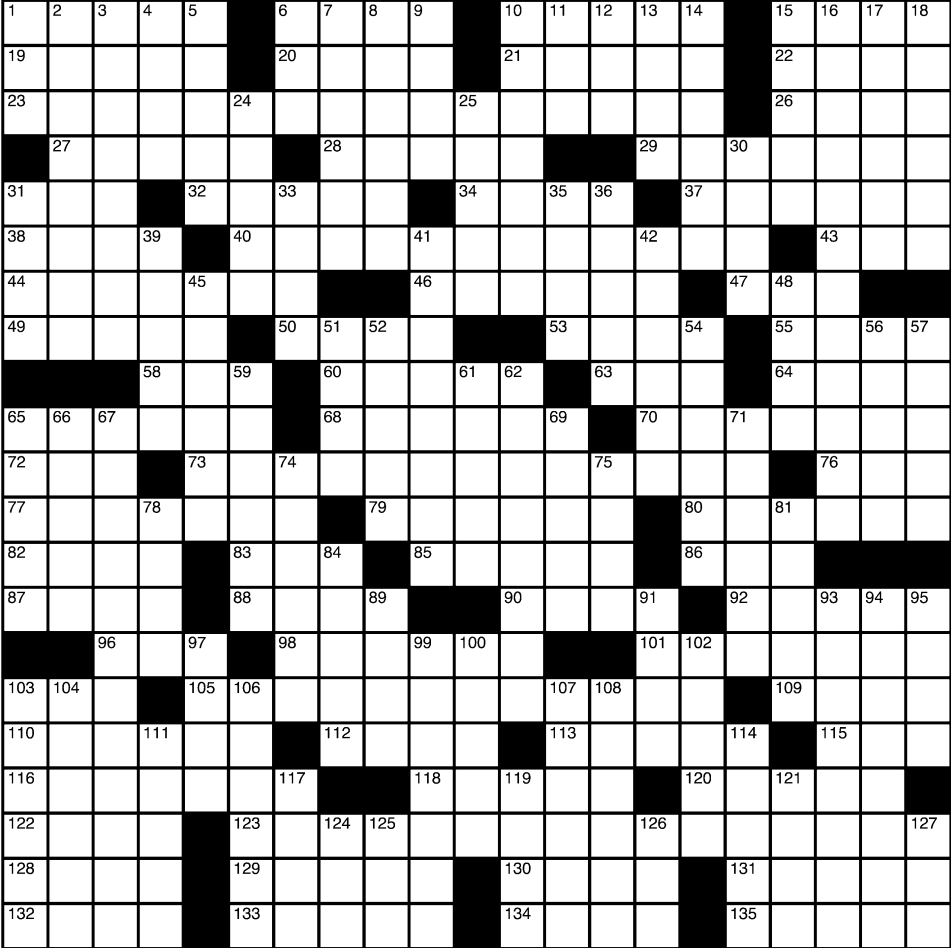
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- ACROSS**
- 1 Not as risky  
6 Influential collegian, briefly  
10 Mus. direction in a dramatic passage  
15 Dalmatian, e.g.  
19 Where surfers shop  
20 Sphere opening  
21 Romney foe  
22 \_\_\_ colada  
23 Arranged pickling solutions on the shelf?  
26 Breakfast fare  
27 Name on sweet pieces  
28 Deceptive handle  
29 Memorable Shakespearean trio  
31 Solstice mo.  
32 "Ghostbusters" goo  
34 Like blue cheese  
37 Cosa \_\_\_  
38 Virginie, e.g.  
40 Funhouse admission fee?  
43 Syst. with gestures  
44 Furrowed  
46 Patriotic chant  
47 Island S. of 10-Down  
49 Program writer  
50 Pre-coll. exams  
53 Place setting items  
55 \_\_\_ flakes  
58 ACLU concerns  
60 Like leaves  
63 Drug in Shatner novels  
64 Roller coaster, e.g.  
65 Tough call  
68 Firenze's land  
70 Verb in the classic "Mission: Impossible" opening scene  
72 One in a military march?  
73 "Your shingle work stinks!" e.g.?  
76 Litigator's org.  
77 Outfit for an outfit  
79 Official commands  
80 Biceps band  
82 13th-century date  
83 President pro \_\_\_  
85 Uppity sort  
86 Beach shirt  
87 "Fawlt Towers" producer, with "the"  
88 Old dagger  
90 Cognac grade, initially  
92 Reuben need  
96 Spanish she-bear



- 98 Not really, with "only"  
101 Quiet  
103 Goal for a H.S. dropout  
105 "Don't take candy from strangers," say?  
109 Urgent  
110 Beefeater product  
112 Algerian port  
113 Oct. 24, 1947 declaration  
115 \_\_\_ school  
116 Abby and Martha's poison of choice, in a 1939 play  
118 Types  
120 Asian wraps  
122 Democratic donkey designer  
123 Empty church basket?  
128 Wineglass feature  
129 Water from France  
130 City west of Caen  
131 Reverberations in une grotte  
132 Mitty portrayer  
133 Data update mechanisms  
134 Partings
- 135 Venezia casino winner  
**DOWN**  
1 Sun. speech  
2 Disaronno  
3 Originale product  
3 King or queen  
4 Sommer of film  
5 Like May through August, in a way  
6 Book flap feature  
7 My friend abroad  
8 Long John Silver feature  
9 "\_\_\_ fan tutte": Mozart opera  
10 Napoleon I's birthplace  
11 Sac fly result  
12 Suffix with Jacob  
13 Diving duck  
14 Sausage skin  
15 Short details?  
16 Landing with just a toothbrush?  
17 Infuriates  
18 Feudal servant  
24 Dutch pottery city  
25 St. \_\_\_:  
Caribbean island  
30 Little piggies  
31 Invoice column hdg.
- 33 Infuriates  
35 Pal  
36 Goes after  
39 Theater sections  
41 Conserves  
42 Like "Mary Poppins"  
45 Maestro Toscanini  
48 Magician's opening  
51 Arabic alphabet opener  
52 Funny Fields  
54 Topper seen on a mogul  
56 Hacienda brick  
57 A beginner in  
59 Man cave topic  
61 Onetime Rolex rival  
62 Find  
65 Opposable digit  
66 Prevention measure?  
67 Indian chef's series of adventures?  
69 Choir section  
71 Put in bold type, say  
74 Subtitle of the sequel "Damien"  
75 Analogy words  
78 Trivial lies  
81 Spoke Siamese?
- 84 \_\_\_ Park: Edison lab site  
89 Nuke-testing dept.  
91 Remain undecided  
93 "Allow me ..."  
94 Deadeye  
95 Arctic carrier  
97 Rube's "anti"  
99 Opens one's eyes  
100 Crazyed  
102 Audibly awed  
103 Southern Baltic Sea port  
104 List of typos and such  
106 Worldwide relief org.  
107 It's common in some camps  
108 Boot part  
111 "Capisce?"  
114 Many pin tumbler locks  
117 Shelter from a storm, perhaps  
119 Airline investigative org.  
121 Fried \_\_\_  
124 Golfer's concern  
125 Chap  
126 Stats, e.g.  
127 "Cats" poet's monogram

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**Today's Highlight:**  
**On Dec. 2, 1942**, an artificially created, self-sustaining nuclear chain reaction was demonstrated for the first time at the University of Chicago.

## TODAY IN HISTORY

**On this date:**  
**In 1804**, Napoleon crowned himself Emperor of the French.  
**In 1812**, the Electoral College chose President James Madison to serve a second term of office.  
**In 1823**, President James Monroe outlined his doctrine opposing European expansion in the Western Hemisphere.

**In 1859**, militant abolitionist John Brown was hanged for his raid on Harpers Ferry the previous October. Artist Georges-Pierre Seurat was born in Paris.

**In 1927**, Ford Motor Co. unveiled its Model A automobile that replaced its Model T.

**In 1939**, New York Municipal Airport-LaGuardia Field (later LaGuardia Airport) went into operation as an airliner from Chicago landed at one minute past midnight.

**In 1954**, the Senate voted to condemn Sen. Joseph R. McCarthy, R-Wis., for conduct that "tends to bring the Senate into disrepute."

**In 1961**, Cuban leader Fidel Castro declared himself a Marxist-Leninist who would eventually lead Cuba to Communism.

**In 1970**, the newly created Environmental Protection Agency opened its doors. (Its first director was William D. Ruckelshaus.)

**In 1982**, in the first operation of its kind, doctors at the University of Utah Medical Center implanted a permanent artificial heart in the chest of retired dentist Dr. Barney Clark, who lived 112 days with the device.

**In 1991**, American hostage Joseph Cicippio, held captive in Lebanon for more than five years, was released.

**In 2001**, in one of the largest corporate bankruptcies in U.S. history, Enron filed for Chapter 11 protection.

**Ten years ago:** A statement attributed to al-Qaida claimed responsibility for the car-bombing of an Israeli-owned hotel in Kenya and the attempted shoot-down of an Israeli airliner, both on Nov. 28. The Supreme Court agreed to decide whether minorities could be given a boost to get into universities. (A divided Court later allowed the nation's colleges and universities to select students based in part on race, but emphasized that race could not be the overriding factor.) Italian interior designer and architect Achille Castiglioni died in Milan at age 84.

**Five years ago:** Venezuela President Hugo Chavez suffered defeat as voters rejected sweeping constitutional reforms by 51 to 49 percent. Russian President Vladimir Putin's party swept 70 percent of the seats for a new parliament in a vote whose fairness was called into question by European election monitors. Brian Wilson, Martin Scorsese, Steve Martin, Diana Ross and pianist Leon Fleisher were the latest U.S. artists to receive Kennedy Center honors for their career achievements.

**One year ago:** U.S. Secretary of State Hillary Rodham Clinton and Myanmar opposition leader Aung San Suu Kyi (ahng sahn soo chee) vowed to work together to promote democratic reforms in Suu Kyi's long-isolated and authoritarian homeland. The Labor Department announced the unemployment rate had fallen to 8.6 percent in Nov. 2011, the lowest since March 2009.





**DEAR ABBY:** When I was in grammar school 50 years ago, I was molested by two boys. I recently learned that they are now both dead.



**DEAR ABBY**  
**Jeanne Phillips**

I wrote to the sister of one of them and told her what her brother had done to me and how I felt about it. I'm glad that he is dead, and I told her so.

She responded, calling my letter sad and bitter for bringing up the matter after so much time has transpired. In the '60s the norm was not to tell anyone for fear of being spanked or beaten or called a liar and living in kid hell. I am a female, and the standard was so different in those days. Please print my letter.

— **CONFUSED IN CALIFORNIA**

**DEAR CONFUSED:** If this was something the sister was unaware of, you shouldn't be surprised that she responded as she did to your bombshell.

I agree that we have become more open about discussing sex and sexual assaults than we were in the '60s. And I hope that somewhere along the way you received counseling to help you deal with the molestation, because talking with a qualified mental health professional about it can be therapeutic. However, if you haven't, please contact RAINN, the Rape, Abuse and Incest National Network. Its toll-free number is 800-656-4673. You can find assistance there, and nothing will shock them.

**DEAR ABBY:** I have been dating the most wonderful man, "Art," for almost four years. He's strong, caring and he treats me like a princess. We have discussed marriage several times, and I suspect he will propose soon. I'm sure that Art is "the one," and I would marry him in a heartbeat. My only worry is that we'll end up like my parents someday.

I know this sounds silly, but while I was growing up, I never saw any signs that my parents really loved each other. Dad always seemed like he was trying too hard to make Mom happy, while she either was indifferent to his affections or dismissed his efforts. They would argue about the smallest things, to the point where I wished they would get divorced so I wouldn't have to hear them disagreeing.

I have mentioned my fears to Art and he has told me not to worry, but I can't help but worry. I love him too much to put him through the same emotional abuse, even accidentally, and I'd never want my kids to grow up thinking their parents didn't love each other. How can I keep the past from repeating?

— **UNLIKE MY PARENTS**

**DEAR UNLIKE:** Your mother may have been attempting to control your father by withholding affection and approval as he tried harder and harder to please her, and that's very sad. But you don't have to follow in her footsteps.

Children don't always grow up to emulate their parents. You are an individual, and you are well aware of the unhealthy pattern you observed while growing up. If you and Art are able to discuss your differences and reach a consensus when problems arise, you should be fine.

*Dear Abby is written by Abigail Van Buren, also known as Jeanne Phillips, and was founded by her mother, Pauline Phillips. Write Dear Abby at [www.DearAbby.com](http://www.DearAbby.com) or P.O. Box 69440, Los Angeles, CA 90069.*

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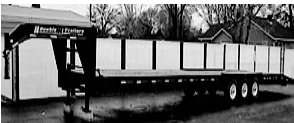
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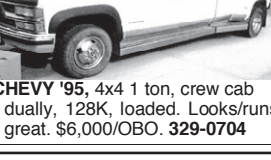
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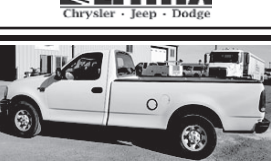
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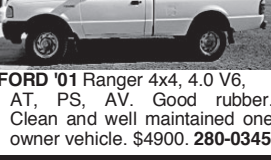
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# Xavier to Stay Open this Year, Future Uncertain

BY JULIE WOOTTON  
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**TWIN FALLS •** Xavier Charter School will remain open this school year, but the school board is working to find a longer-term solution to financial issues.

About 40 people attended a meeting Friday night to hear a financial update.

Board chairwoman Debbi Burr said the board negotiated down the school building lease price to a cap of \$450,000 this fiscal year. The audience clapped in response.

“We needed to make sure we kept our doors open until at least the end of this (school) year,” she said.

There was a question about whether that would happen, she told meeting attendees.

Burr said the agreement fixes the financial problem until June 30, which is the end of the school’s fiscal year, but doesn’t address the future for the Twin Falls public charter school.

Xavier was originally slated to pay \$809,000 in rent to Twin Falls School Development LLC this fiscal year.

But Burr said the school can’t afford to pay more than \$450,000 per year on the school building on North College Road over the next decade.

Burr publicly thanked the school’s landlord Jed Stevenson, saying the school “would have been done” without the agreement over the lease amount.

As audience members listened to the financial update, rain water from a leaky section of the gym roof plopped into a few buckets on the floor.

## Lease Negotiations

Xavier’s lease agreement is set to run for 20 years, with a 1.5 percent increase in rent annually.

Burr said she thinks the intent among board members at the time it was signed was that they weren’t going to stay in a leasing arrangement for the long term.

This fiscal year, the school was set to pay \$809,000 in rent. That’s 30 percent of Xavier’s operating budget.

The school board spent nine months looking at what the lease meant. The determination: The school is bound by the legal document.

Over the past three years, Xavier has seen funding drop by about \$600,000, factoring in both state and federal funding cuts.

Burr said she doesn’t expect state funding for educa-

tion to increase in the near future.

While Xavier has more flexibility with its curriculum and focus, the school can’t seek a supplemental levy to deal with the funding shortage like school districts can.

## The State’s Decision

In September, Xavier received a notice of defect by the Idaho Public Charter School Commission for “failure to demonstrate fiscal soundness.”

Although there were three items included in the notice, the main concern focused on the school building.

“It really boils down to the lease,” Burr said.

The commission will review Xavier’s corrective action plan during a Tuesday meeting in Boise.

Burr told meeting attendees that the school board will go to the meeting with their landlord. They plan to bring a memorandum of understanding related to this fiscal year’s building lease price.

Burr said she’s hopeful the commission will lift the notice of defect.

If Xavier moves forward with purchasing the school building, Burr said investors in bonds want to see the school is fiscally stable.

As for the coming months, Burr said she hopes the board will be able to bring a resolution to financial issues to stakeholders following a Feb. 14 charter school commission meeting.

She said it would be “odd” if the commission revoked the school’s charter. Burr said the commission has expressed willingness to work with Xavier and that the school is doing well academically.

The school board will continue to negotiate with the landlord over a possible purchase price for the school building.

Burr said the price the school put on the table was more than \$5 million, but the landlord is asking for more.

Even though the school building isn’t perfect, Burr said owning it would allow for fundraising to customize it to meet the school’s needs.

## Teacher Pay

Xavier teachers took a 10 percent pay cut this year and Burr said the decision was made in order to keep the school’s doors open.

Teachers were set to take a 10 percent pay cut last year. But \$150,000 in unex-



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*Head of Schools Thad Biggers talks to the public as Xavier Charter School board chairwoman Debbi Burr, far left, looks on Friday at Xavier Charter School in Twin Falls.*

pected state funding came in and was distributed to teachers, Burr said.

She said she wants to see the school be able to attract and retain quality employees.

Teacher Jolynn Heiner said she has taught for three years at Xavier and it

has been wonderful, but there has been uncertainty during that time about the school’s operations and teachers can barely make a living.

Either things stabilize at the school, she said, or the dilemma is whether to leave to teach at another school.



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## Video Games Bring Geeks Together



DREW NASH • TIMES-NEWS

Gamers attend the CSI Social Geeks Computer Gaming Tournament Saturday night at CSI in Twin Falls. Players tested their gaming skills by playing *Starcraft 2*, *Super Mario Bros.* (on the NES) and *Quake 3*.

## Family: Utah Boy Who Killed Himself Was Bullied

**TAYLORSVILLE, Utah (AP)** • The family of a 14-year-old boy who committed suicide outside a school in a Salt Lake City suburb says he was a victim of bullying.

David Q. Phan was released early to his mother on Thursday from Bennion Junior High in Taylorsville before he returned an hour and a half later to a corner of the campus, where he shot himself in front of students.

"David had been bullied for the past few years. He would come home crying sometimes," the teen's cousin, Vy Lake, told the *Deseret News*.

"Bullies would walk home with him, taunting him and throwing things at him. After ignoring them didn't work, he started fighting back and got into trouble at school because of this," added Lake, who spoke on behalf of the boy's parents.

But the family neither

wants to point a finger at anyone for the suicide, Lake said, nor speculate that his death was the result of bullying.

"We are not trying to place a blame on anyone," Lake said. "We just wish everyone would be more aware to bullying in the schools, and a little friendlier to their peers."

Granite School District spokesman Ben Horsley said school officials stayed in close contact with Phan after he reported "a bullying concern several years ago."

"Counselors have further remained in close regular contact with (him) because of other issues in his personal life," Horsley said in a statement. "Despite specific personal inquiries, David never reported any further bullying concerns and on the contrary, reported that things were going well."

The teen also was "facing significant personal chal-

lenges on multiple fronts," but Horsley declined to elaborate.

While his family is of Vietnamese heritage, Phan was born in Utah.

At a candlelight vigil for the teen on Friday, family members said he faced constant torment from bullies.

His older brother, Don Phan, tried to make sense of the shooting as he stood in front of candles, flowers and a picture of the teen.

"Why? He loved everyone unconditionally," Don Phan told KTVX-TV. "I guess it just wasn't enough. It wasn't enough to stop the bullying."

The boy's cousin, Sue Lake, described incidents in which students stole Phan's gym clothes and sent him mean messages on Valentine's Day.

"I know kids would follow him home and call him names," she said. "I told him, 'You just have to ignore it.'"

## Nevada Election Officer Sues Conservative Group

BY SANDRA CHEREB  
Associated Press

**CARSON CITY, Nev.** • Nevada's top election official has filed a civil lawsuit against Americans for Prosperity, alleging the Republican conservative group violated state election laws by not registering in the state or filing donor contribution reports.

The suit filed in state court in Carson City late Friday by Secretary of State Ross Miller claims the group founded by billionaire brothers Charles and David Koch engaged in "express advocacy" against Kelvin Atkinson, a state Senate candidate who won both the Demo-

cratic primary in June and the November general election.

In a statement Saturday, Adam Stryker, AFP state director, said the complaint filed by the attorney general's office on behalf of the Democratic secretary of state is politically motivated.

"The secretary of state has

made it clear his ideology conflicts with that of AFP, and this is not the first time his position has been used to harass those with whom he disagrees," Stryker said. "The attorney general's office's resources unfortunately are being misused to advance Secretary Miller's partisan agenda."

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